Analysis of community composition data using phyloseq

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Goals

phyloseq

Become familiar with phyloseq R package for the analysis of microbial census data.

Exploratory Data Analysis

- α -diversity: how diverse is my community?
- β -diversity: how different are two communities?
- Use a distance matrix to study structures:
 - Hierarchical clustering: how do the communities cluster?
 - Permutational ANOVA: Communities structured by some known environmental factor?
- Visual assessment of the data
 - bar plots: what is the composition of each community?
 - Multidimensional Scaling: how are communities related?
 - Heatmaps: are there interactions between species and (groups of) communities?
- Differential Abundances: which taxa are differentially abundant?

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About phyloseq

- R package (McMurdie and Holmes, 2013) to analyze community composition data in a phylogenetic framework
- Community ecology functions from vegan, ade4, picante
- Tree manipulation from ape
- Graphics from ggplot2
- O Differential analysis from DESeq2

Installing phyloseq

From bioconductor

```
## install.packages("BiocManager")
BiocManager::install("phyloseq")
```

From developer's website

```
## install.packages("remotes") ## If not installed previously
remotes::install_github("joey711/phyloseq")
```

Basic help

phyloseq comes with two vignettes

```
vignette("phyloseq-basics")
vignette("phyloseq-analysis")
```

The first one gives insights about data structure and data manipulation (Section 2), the second one about data analysis (Section 3 to 5).

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library(phyloseq.extended)
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Our phyloseq object gp is made up of four parts:

- OTU Table
- Sample Data
- Taxomony Table
- Phylogenetic Tree

Let's have a quick look at each using the hinted at functions otu_table, sample_data, tax_table and phy_tree.

otu_table: matrix-like object

```
head(otu_table(gp), n = 4)
## OTU Table:
                       [4 taxa and 26 samples]
                        taxa are rows
          CL3 CC1 SV1 M31Fcsw M11Fcsw M31Plmr M11Plmr F21Plmr M31Tong M11Tong
## 549322
  522457
  951
## 244423
          LMEpi24M SLEpi20M AQC1cm AQC4cm AQC7cm NP2 NP3 NP5 TRRsed1 TRRsed2
## 549322
                                27
                                      100
                                              130
## 522457
  951
## 244423
                                               29
          TRRsed3 TS28 TS29 Even1 Even2 Even3
## 549322
                                      0
## 522457
## 951
## 244423
```

tax_table: matrix-like object

```
head(tax_table(gp))
## Taxonomy Table: [6 taxa by 7 taxonomic ranks]:
         Kingdom Phylum
                                   Class
                                                  Order
                                                                 Family
## 549322 "Archaea" "Crenarchaeota" "Thermoprotei" NA
                                                                 NA
## 522457 "Archaea" "Crenarchaeota" "Thermoprotei" NA
                                                                 NA
## 951 "Archaea" "Crenarchaeota" "Thermoprotei" "Sulfolobales" "Sulfolobaceae"
## 244423 "Archaea" "Crenarchaeota" "Sd-NA"
                                                  NΑ
                                                                 NΑ
## 586076 "Archaea" "Crenarchaeota" "Sd-NA"
                                                  NΑ
                                                                 NΑ
## 246140 "Archaea" "Crenarchaeota" "Sd-NA"
                                                  NA
                                                                 NA
                      Species
         Genus
## 549322 NA
                      NΑ
## 522457 NA
                      NΑ
## 951
          "Sulfolobus" "Sulfolobusacidocaldarius"
## 244423 NA
                      NA
## 586076 NA
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## 246140 NA
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```

sample_data: data.frame-like object

```
head(sample_data(gp), n = 4)
## Sample Data: [4 samples by 7 sample variables]:
##
          X.SampleID Primer Final_Barcode Barcode_truncated_plus_T
## CL3
                CL3 ILBC_01
                                  AACGCA
                                                          TGCGTT
## CC1
                 CC1 ILBC_02 AACTCG
                                                          CGAGTT
                SV1 ILBC_03 AACTGT
## SV1
                                                          ACAGTT
## M31Fcsw M31Fcsw ILBC 04 AAGAGA
                                                          TCTCTT
##
          Barcode_full_length SampleType
## CL3
                  CTAGCGTGCGT
                                  Soil
## CC1
                 CATCGACGAGT Soil
## SV1
                 GTACGCACAGT Soil
## M31Fcsw
                 TCGACATCTCT Feces
##
                                       Description
## CL3
            Calhoun South Carolina Pine soil, pH 4.9
## CC1
            Cedar Creek Minnesota, grassland, pH 6.1
## SV1
          Sevilleta new Mexico, desert scrub, pH 8.3
## M31Fcsw
             M3, Day 1, fecal swab, whole body study
```

phy_tree

phylo-class (tree) object

```
phy_tree(gp)

##

## Phylogenetic tree with 19216 tips and 19215 internal nodes.

##

## Tip labels:

## 549322, 522457, 951, 244423, 586076, 246140, ...

## Node labels:

## , 0.858.4, 1.000.154, 0.764.3, 0.995.2, 1.000.2, ...

##

## Rooted; includes branch lengths.
```

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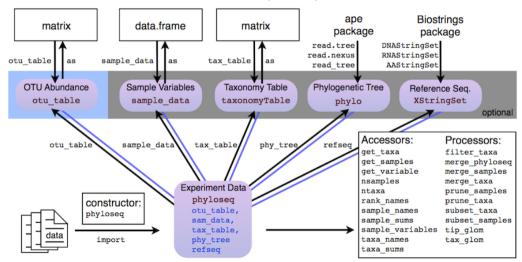
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import_biom: example

Our toy dataset includes a biom, a tree and a set of references sequences.

```
biomfile <- "data/chaillou/chaillou.biom"
treefile <- "data/chaillou/tree.nwk"</pre>
```

The import is quite easy (our specific parseFunction is used for greengenes formatted taxonomy)

Importing data from tabular files (I)

Start by loading data in R and converting it to the proper format (matrix/data.frame)

```
otu <- as.matrix(read.table("data/mach/otu_table.tsv"))
tax <- as.matrix(read.table("data/mach/tax_table.tsv"))
tree <- read.tree("data/mach/tree.nwk")
map <- read.table("data/mach/metadata.tsv")</pre>
```

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```
tax[1:2,]

## Kingdom Phylum Class Order

## otu_16089 "Bacteria" "Firmicutes" "Clostridia" "Clostridiales"

## otu_7290 "Bacteria" "Firmicutes" "Clostridia" "Clostridiales"

## otu_16089 "Ruminococcaceae" NA

## otu_7290 "Ruminococcaceae" NA
```

Importing data from tabular files (IV)

Let's have a look at the different tables:

```
map[1:2, ]

## SampleID Run Project Time Bande sex mere
## sample_SF.0092 SF.0092 1 D60 D60 1105 2 17MAG101827
## sample_SF.0104 SF.0104 1 D60 D60 1105 2 17MAG102066
```

Importing data from tabular files (V)

You are now ready to build the phyloseq object

Import: A few words

- The import functions create consistent objects with
 - the same otus in the count table, the taxonomy table and the phylogenetic tree;
 - the same samples in the count table and the metadata table
- Samples/Taxa are matched by column names and/or rownames. Make sure that the table have them!!!
- Any otu absent from some components will be trimmed.
- Any sample absent from some components will be trimmed.
- Check number of taxa/samples and be wary of names mismatches.

About gp, food and mach

Global Patterns (Caporaso et al., 2011)

Global 16S survey of bacterial communities from very diverse environments (SampleType) using ultra deep sequencing. Used to stuy global ecological structures.

Food (Chaillou et al., 2015)

16S survey of bacterial communities from 8 different food products (EnvType), distributed as 4 meat products and 4 seafoods. Used to find core microbiota of food products.

Mach (Mach et al., 2015)

16S survey of gut microbiome from early life swines. Used (among others) to study the impact of weaning (Time and Weaned) on bacterial communities.

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- sample_sums / taxa_sums
- rank_names
- sample_variables
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head(taxa_names(mach))

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##
              924
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                                                                           1231
  sample_SF.0133
             1224
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rank names

```
rank_names(mach)
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```

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```
head(sample_variables(mach))
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sample_sums(mach)[c("sample_SF.0140", "sample_SF.0142", "sample_SF.0144")]

## sample_SF.0140 sample_SF.0142 sample_SF.0144
## 1367 1246 1029

## Otu overall abundances
taxa_sums(mach)[c("otu_16089", "otu_15374", "otu_12332")]

## otu_16089 otu_15374 otu_12332
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##
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                    32
```

```
head(get_variable(mach, varName = "Time"))
  [1] D60 D60 D60 D60 D60 D60
## Levels: D14 D36 D48 D60 D70 Sow
head(get_sample(mach, i = "otu_12332"), n = 4)
  sample_SF.0092 sample_SF.0104 sample_SF.0109 sample_SF.0131
##
head(get_taxa(mach, i = "sample_SF.0131"))
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Modifying some values

To modify parts of a phyloseq object, we must use (high-levels) accessors such as otu_table. For example, to add a sample variable Weaned to our metadata, we must use sample_data:

```
sample_data(mach)$Weaned <- ifelse(sample_data(mach)$Time == "D14", FALSE, TRUE)
sample_variables(mach) ## Weaned successfully added

## [1] "SampleID" "Run" "Project" "Time" "Bande" "sex" "mere"
## [8] "Weaned"</pre>
```

You can also change Bande to a factor

```
sample_data(mach)$Bande <- as.factor(sample_data(mach)$Bande)</pre>
```

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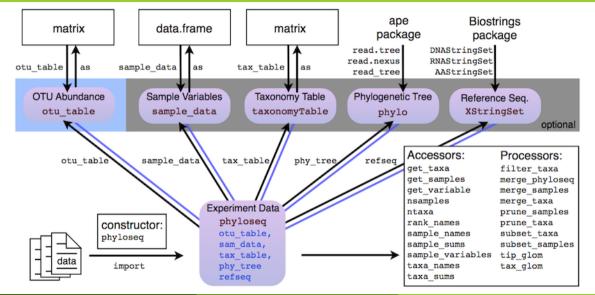
Another use is to transform EnvType to a factor with meaningful level ordering (meat products first and seafood second):

Finally, you can also correct taxonomic affiliation and otu count in a given sample as follows:

```
otu_table(mach) ["otu_16089", "SFM.46"] <- 1
tax_table(mach) ["otu_16089", "Order"] <- "Clostridiales"</pre>
```

If you start from BIOM files, corrections are more easily made in R than by hand in the source

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Prune

- prune_taxa (prune_samples) prunes unwanted taxa (samples) from a phyloseq object
 based on a vector of taxa to keep
- The taxa are passed as a vector taxa of character (otu1, otu4) or of logical (TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE)
- prune_taxa(taxa, physeq) would keep only otus otu1, otu4

- subset_taxa (subset_samples) subsets unwanted taxa (samples) from a phyloseq object based on conditions that must be met
- The conditions (any number) can apply to any descriptor (e.g. taxonomy) of the otus included in the phyloseq object physeq
- subset_taxa(physeq, Phylum == "Firmicutes") would keep only Firmicutes.

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```
prune_samples(sample_names(mach)[1:10], mach)
## phyloseq-class experiment-level object
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```

```
subset_samples(mach, Time %in% c("D60", "D70"))
## phyloseq-class experiment-level object
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A bit more about subset (II)

Multiple conditions can be combined with the usual logical operator (& for AND and | for OR)

```
small.mach <- subset_taxa(mach, Phylum == "Firmicutes" & Class == "Bacilli")</pre>
head(tax_table(small.mach)[ , c("Phylum", "Class", "Order")], n = 4)
## Taxonomy Table: [4 taxa by 3 taxonomic ranks]:
                         Class
##
            Phylum
                                   Order
## otu_1571 "Firmicutes" "Bacilli" "Lactobacillales"
## otu 16950 "Firmicutes" "Bacilli" "Lactobacillales"
## otu_6692 "Firmicutes" "Bacilli" "Lactobacillales"
## otu 1547 "Firmicutes" "Bacilli" "Lactobacillales"
## Unique combinations (Phylum, Class, Order)
unique(tax_table(small.mach)[ , c("Phylum", "Class", "Order")])
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## otu_1064 "Firmicutes" "Bacilli" "Gemellales"
## otu 1150 "Firmicutes" "Bacilli" "Bacillales"
```

Advanced filters

You can also filter out OTUs satisfying a condition (e.g. abundance higher than 2) in a minimum (e.g. 10) number of samples by combining genefilter_sample and prune_taxa.

```
## Keep only taxa with abundance at least 2 in at least 10 samples
test_function <- function(x) { x >= 2 }
taxa.to.keep <- genefilter_sample(mach, test_function, A = 10)</pre>
head(taxa.to.keep) ## logical mask of taxa passing the filter
##
   otu_692 otu_1686 otu_2192 otu_3292 otu_4395 otu_2267
##
     FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
                                                FALSE
prune_taxa(taxa.to.keep, mach) ## 1197 taxa pass the filter
## phyloseq-class experiment-level object
## otu_table() OTU Table: [ 1197 taxa and 543 samples ]
## sample_data() Sample Data: [ 543 samples by 8 sample variables ]
## tax_table() Taxonomy Table: [ 1197 taxa by 6 taxonomic ranks ]
## phy_tree() Phylogenetic Tree: [ 1197 tips and 1196 internal nodes ]
```

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Create a kinetic object (resp. a kinetic.rare) with

- only the samples belonging to Project "Kinetic"
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total.depth <- sum(otu_table(kinetic))
threshold <- 5e-5 * total.depth
kinetic.rare <- prune_taxa(taxa_sums(kinetic) > threshold, kinetic)
kinetic.rare

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Smoothing with tax_glom (I)

tax_glom agglomerates otus at a given taxonomic level. Finer taxonomic information is lost.

```
coarse.mach <- tax_glom(mach, "Phylum")
ntaxa(coarse.mach) ## number of different phyla

## [1] 17

tax_table(coarse.mach)[1:2, c("Phylum", "Order", "Class")]

## Taxonomy Table: [2 taxa by 3 taxonomic ranks]:

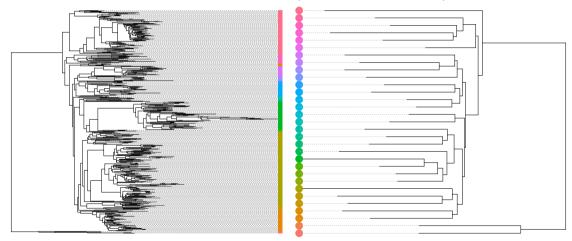
## Phylum Order Class

## otu_25 "Bacteroidetes" NA NA

## otu_525 "Fibrobacteres" NA NA</pre>
```

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Effect best understood on the phylogenetic tree (otus colored by phylum).



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Rarefaction with rarefy_even_depth

rarefy_even_depth downsamples all samples to the same depth and prunes otus that disappear from all samples as a result.

```
mach.rare <- rarefy_even_depth(mach, rngseed = 20200123)</pre>
## 'set.seed(20200123)' was used to initialize repeatable random subsampling.
## Please record this for your records so others can reproduce.
## Try 'set.seed(20200123); .Random.seed' for the full vector
## ...
## 9940TUs were removed because they are no longer
## present in any sample after random subsampling
## ...
sample_sums(mach.rare)[1:5]
## sample SF.0092 sample SF.0104 sample SF.0109 sample SF.0131 sample SF.0132
##
              924
                              924
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                                                            924
                                                                            924
```

Transforming abundance counts with transform_sample_counts

transform_sample_counts applies a function to the abundance vector of each sample. It can be useful for normalization. For example:

```
count_to_prop <- function(x) { return( x / sum(x) )}</pre>
```

transforms counts to proportions.

```
mach.trans <- transform_sample_counts(mach, count_to_prop)
sample_sums(mach.trans)[1:5] ## should be 1

## sample_SF.0092 sample_SF.0104 sample_SF.0109 sample_SF.0131 sample_SF.0132
## 1 1 1 1 1 1</pre>
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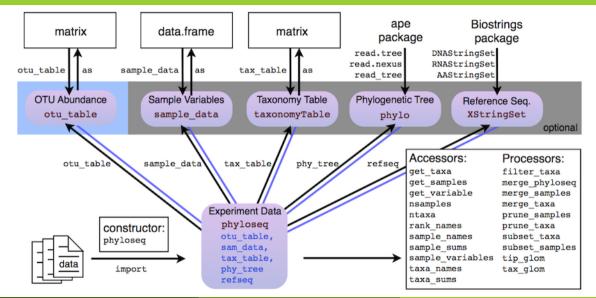
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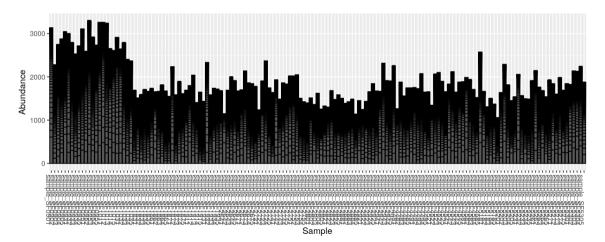


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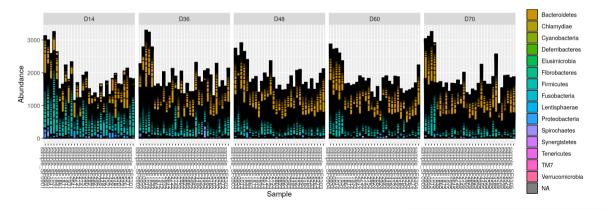
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p <- plot_bar(kinetic)
plot(p) ## Base graphic, uqly</pre>
```



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Organize samples by sampling time and color otu by Phylum

```
p <- plot_bar(kinetic, fill = "Phylum") ## aes, fill bar according to phylum
p <- p + facet_wrap(~Time, scales = "free_x", nrow = 1) ## add facets
plot(p)</pre>
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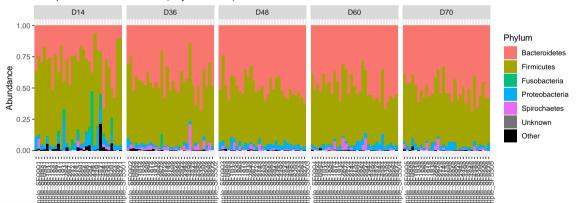
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Composition within Bacteria (Phylum 1 to 5)

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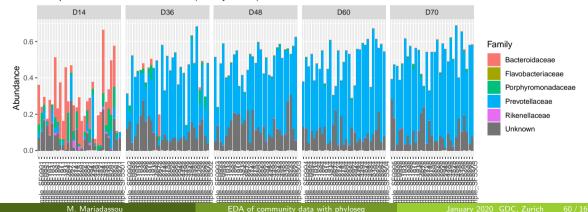
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p <- plot_composition(kinetic, "Phylum", "Bacteroidetes", "Family", numberOfTaxa = 9, fill = "Family")
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Composition within Bacteroidetes (Family 1 to 9)



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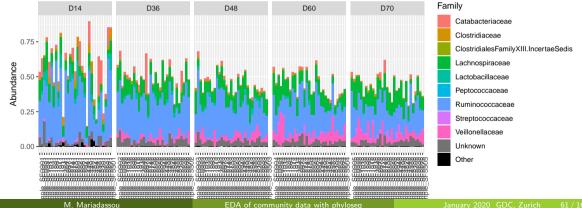
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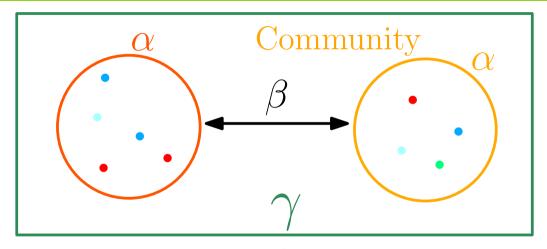
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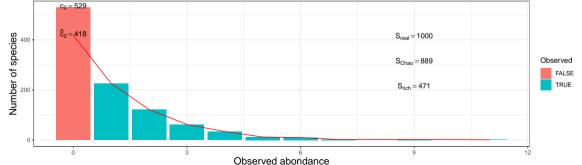
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α -diversity: number of species (richness)

Note c_i the number of species observed i times (i = 1, 2, ...) and p_s the proportion of species s (s = 1, ..., S)

Richness	Chao1
Number of observed species	Richness + (estimated) number of unob-
	served species
$S_{rich} = \sum_{s} 1_{\{p_s > 0\}} = \sum_{i} c_i$	$S_{\sf Chao} = S_{\sf rich} + \hat{c}_0$



α -diversity: evenness of the species distribution

Give more weight to abundant species

Shannon	Inv-Simpson
Evenness of the species abundance distribution	Inverse probability that two sequences sampled at random come from the same species
$S_{Shan} = -\sum_{s} p_{s} \log (p_{s}) \leq \log(S)$	$S_{Inv-Simp} = rac{1}{p_1^2 + \dots + p_S^2} \le S$

```
## Error in ddply(df, .(even), summarize, prop = abondance/sum(abondance)): impossible de
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## Error in ddply(annotation.df, .(even), summarize, richness = sum(prop > : impossible de
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## Error: id variables not found in data: even

## Error in '$<-.data.frame'('*tmp*', height, value = structure(numeric(0), .Names =
character(0))): replacement has 0 rows, data has 2

## Error in paste0("S[", variable, "] ==", ifelse(variable == "shan", paste0(" log(", :
objet 'variable' introuvable

## Error in FUN(X[[i]], ...): objet 'height' introuvable</pre>
```

Available in phyloseq

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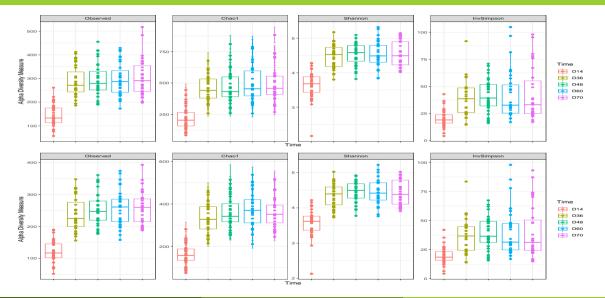
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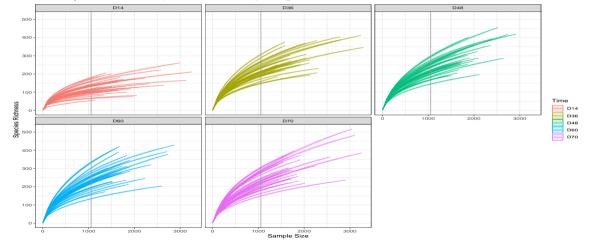
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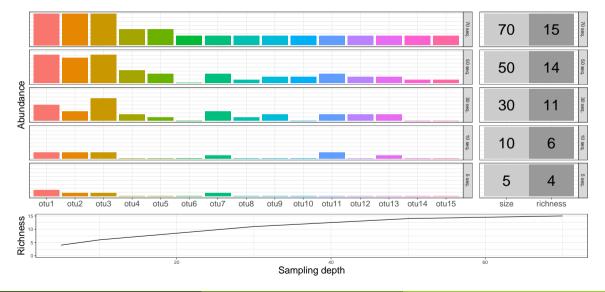
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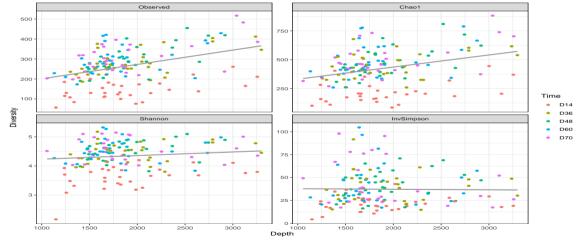
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Rarefaction curve (I)



lpha diversity and sampling effort (II)

Quantitative α -diversities (Shannon, InvSimpson) are more robust to uneven sampling depths.



α diversity: numeric values

Numeric values of α -diversities are given by estimate_richness (used internally by plot_richness)

```
alpha.diversity <- estimate_richness(kinetic,</pre>
                                     measures = c("Observed", "Chao1", "Shannon", "InvSimpson"))
head(alpha.diversity)
##
                 Observed
                             Chao1 se.chao1 Shannon InvSimpson
                      165 204 4167 15 68345 3 755973
  sample_SF0901
                                                        17.78229
  sample_SF0902
                      384 547.0769 34.18593 4.919017
                                                        61.11511
  sample_SF0903
                      417 718.5147 58.47191 4.802921
                                                        52.91534
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                          665,9231,48,68488,4,981387
                                                        57.42655
  sample_SF0905
                          882.5111 62.61703 4.602740
                                                        17.33970
## sample_SF0931
                      261 444.4054 47.19955 4.106061
                                                        29.32526
```

```
write.table(alpha.diversity, "myfile.txt")
```

α diversity: A quick ANOVA (I)

```
data <- cbind(sample_data(kinetic), alpha.diversity)</pre>
data$Depth <- sample_sums(kinetic)</pre>
kinetic.richness.anova <- aov(Observed ~ Depth + Time*sex, data)
summary(kinetic.richness.anova) ## Depth is very significant
##
              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                         Pr(>F)
## Depth
               1 191170 191170 61.319 9.66e-13 ***
## Time
             4 567509 141877 45.508 < 2e-16 ***
           1 13815 13815 4.431 0.037 *
## sex
## Time:sex 4 3094 773 0.248 0.910
## Residuals 144 448935 3118
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

α diversity: A quick ANOVA (II)

```
kinetic.simpson.anova <- aov(InvSimpson ~ Depth + Time*sex, data)
summary(kinetic.simpson.anova) ## as expected, Depth is barely significant
##
              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                      Pr(>F)
                    14 13.8
                               0.041 0.840
## Depth
## Time
              4 10681 2670.2 7.964 7.91e-06 ***
## sex
                   584
                        583.9 1.741 0.189
                   389 97.2
## Time:sex
                                0.290 0.884
## Residuals 144 48280 335.3
## ---
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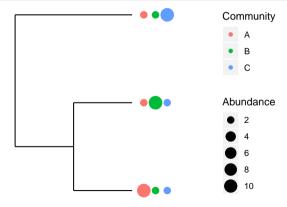
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β dissimilarities

- Many β diversities (both compositional and phylogenetic) offered by phyloseq through the generic distance function.
- Different dissimilarities capture different features of the communities.



β -diversity: compositional

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2. We focus on shared features.

_ [Jaccard Jaccard	Bray-Curtis
	Fraction of species specific to either $1\ \mathrm{or}\ 2$	Fraction of the community specific to 1 or to 2
	$d_{Jac} = rac{\sum_{s} 1_{\{n_{s}^{1} > 0, n_{s}^{2} = 0\}} + 1_{\{n_{s}^{2} > 0, n_{s}^{1} = 0\}}}{\sum_{s} 1_{\{n_{s}^{1} + n_{s}^{2} > 0\}}}$	$d_{ m BC} = \sum_s n_s^1 - n_s^2 / \sum_s n_s^1 + n_s^2 $

β -diversity: compositional

Note n_s^1 the count of species s ($s=1,\ldots,S$) in community 1 and n_s^2 the count in community 2. We focus on shared features.

```
## Error in pivot_wider(df, id_cols = c("otu", "exp"), names_from = comm, : impossible de
trouver la fonction "pivot_wider"
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## Error in do.call(rbind, list(df.jac[, cols], df.bc[, cols])): objet 'df.bc' introuvable
## Error in factor(df.dist$class, levels = c("Jaccard", "Bray-Curtis")): objet 'df.dist'
introuvable
## Error in factor(df.dist$nature, levels = c("Specific to 1", "Specific to 2", : objet
'df dist' introuvable
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): objet 'df.dist' introuvable
## Error in ggplot(df.dist, aes(x = otu, y = abondance)): objet 'df.dist' introuvable
## Error in arrangeGrob(...): objet 'p.dist' introuvable
```

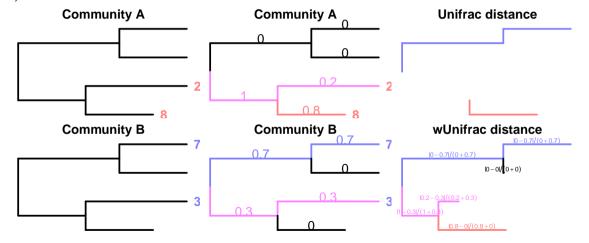
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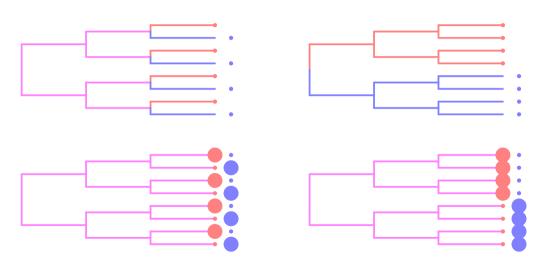
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eta-diversity: phylogenetic

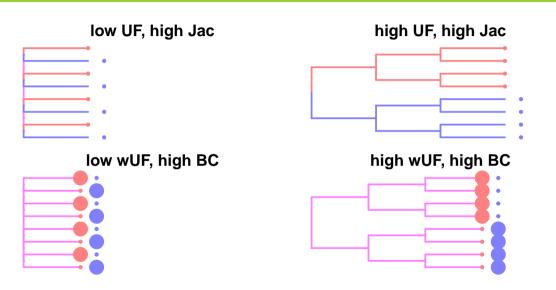
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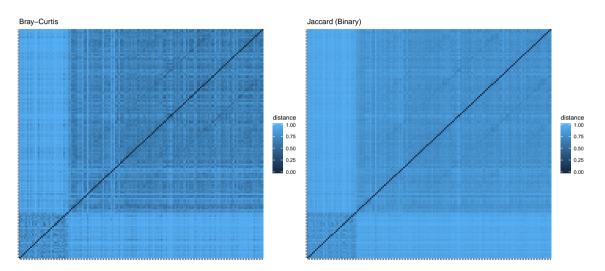
```
dist.bc <- distance(kinetic.rare, method = "bray") ## Bray-Curtis</pre>
```

All available distances are available with

distanceMethodList

```
$UniFrac
  [1] "unifrac" "wunifrac"
##
  $DPCoA
  [1] "dpcoa"
##
## $JSD
  [1] "isd"
##
  $vegdist
       "manhattan"
                   "euclidean" "canberra" "brav"
                                                        "kulczynski"
   [6] "jaccard"
                   "gower" "altGower"
                                            "morisita"
                                                        "horn"
  [11] "mountford"
                   "raup"
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                                            "chao"
                                                        "cao"
##
```

eta-dissimilarities/distances in <code>phyloseq</code> (II)

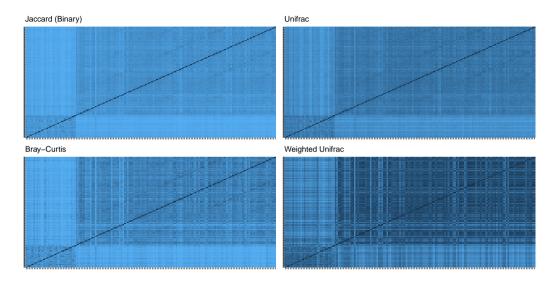


Phylogenetic β -dissimilarities/distances in phyloseq (II)

Phylogenetic distances require rooted tree

```
dist.uf <- distance(kinetic.rare, method = "unifrac") ## Unifrac
dist.wuf <- distance(kinetic.rare, method = "wunifrac") ## Weighted Unifrac</pre>
```

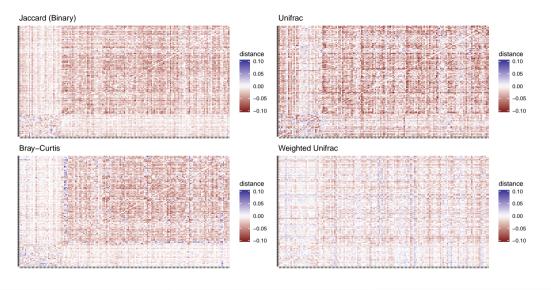
Compositional vs Qualitative



Compositional vs Qualitative (II)

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- Unifrac higher than weighted Unifrac ⇒ abondant taxa in communities are phylogenetically close.

Raw counts vs rarefied counts



Raw counts vs rarefied counts (II)

- Different sampling efforts lead to biased distances
- Bias higher for qualitative (Jaccard/UniFrac) than quantitative (Bray-Curtis/wUniFrac)distances.
- wUniFrac most robust to different sampling depths (unaffected in principle, works on relative abundances)

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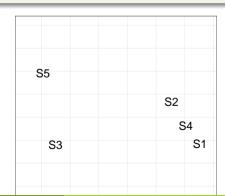
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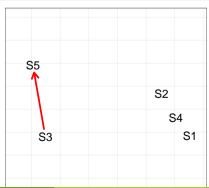


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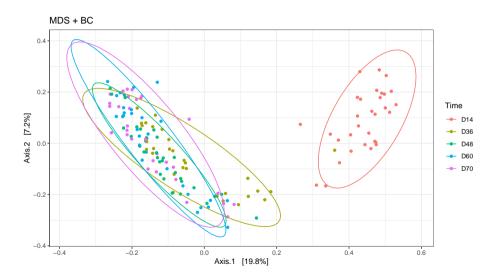
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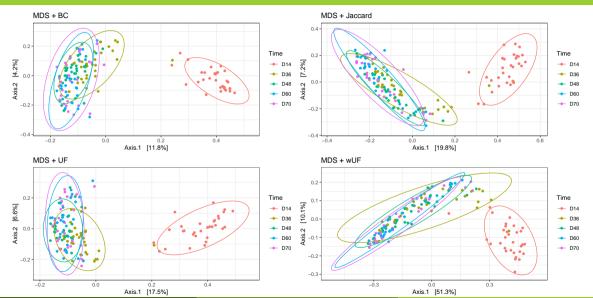
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Impact of distance



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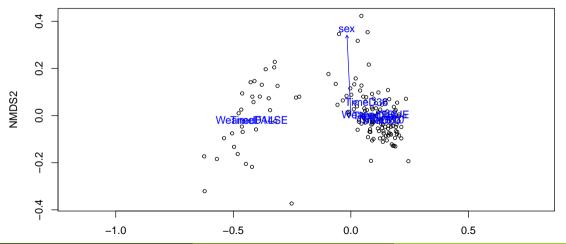
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- wUF mixes up some sample: the taxa séparating D14 from the rest may be replaced by (phylogenetically) close siblings.
- All distances (wUnifrac) exhibit a high gradient corresponding to high heterogeneity of samples on axis 2.
- Large overlap between groups in terms of both relative composition and species composition (a side effect of undersampling?)
- Warning The 2-D representation captures only part of the original distances.

Ordination using vegan's ordiplot

"Vector fitting" overlays metadata on the ordination plot.

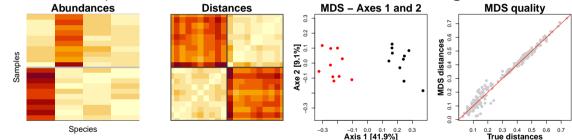
```
## Ordination
dist.bc <- distance(kinetic.rare, "bray")
kin.mds <- metaMDS(dist.bc, trace = 0)
## Vector fitting
ef <- envfit(kin.mds, sample_data(kinetic.rare))
## Plot only most significant variables
plot(kin.mds)
plot(ef, p.max = 0.5)</pre>
```

Ordination using vegan's ordiplot (II)

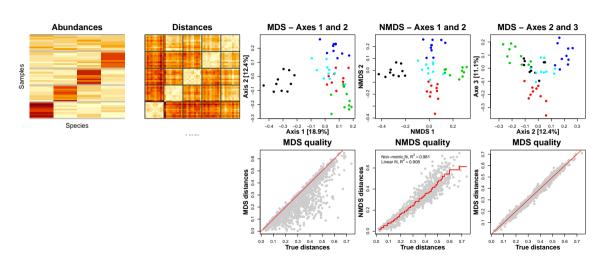


What about Nonmetric MDS (NMDS)?

NMDS does not preserve distance values but rather their relative ordering.



When MDS fails

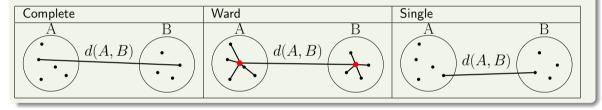


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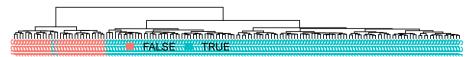
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Hierarchical Clustering

- Merge closest communities (according to some distance)
 Update distances between sets of communities using linkage function
 Repeat until all communities have been merged



ward.D2 linkage clustering tree



Clustering with hclust

- Choose a distance (among Jaccard, Bray-Curtis, Unifrac, etc)
- Choose a linkage function

Feed to hclust and plot

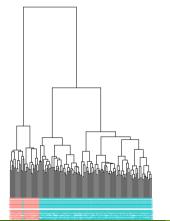
```
plot_clust(kinetic.rare, dist = "bray", method = "linkage.function", color = "Weaned")
## Or if you already computed the distance matrix
plot_clust(kinetic.rare, dist = dist.bc, color = "Weaned")
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linkage function

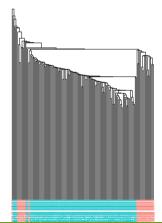
- **complete** (complete): tends to produce compact, spherical clusters and guarantees that all samples in a cluster are similar to each other.
- Ward (ward.D2): tends to also produces spherical clusters but has better theoretical properties than complete linkage.
- **single** (single): friend of friend approach, tends to produce banana-shaped or chains-like clusters.

```
par(mfcol = c(1, 3)) ## To plot the three clustering trees side-by-side
plot_clust(kinetic.rare, "bray", method = "ward.D2", color = "Weaned")
plot_clust(kinetic.rare, "bray", method = "single", color = "Weaned")
plot_clust(kinetic.rare, "bray", method = "complete", color = "Weaned")
```

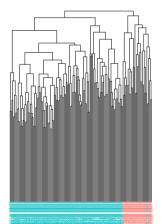
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single linkage clustering tree



complete linkage clustering tree



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EDA of community data with phyloseg

Remarks

- Consistent with the ordination plots, clustering shows a good structure (D14 vs. rest) for the Bray-Curtis distance for the Ward linkage
- Differents distances would result (in this case) in similar results.
- Clustering is based on the whole distance whereas ordination represents parts of the distance (the most it can with 2 dimensions)

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Heatmap with plot_heatmap

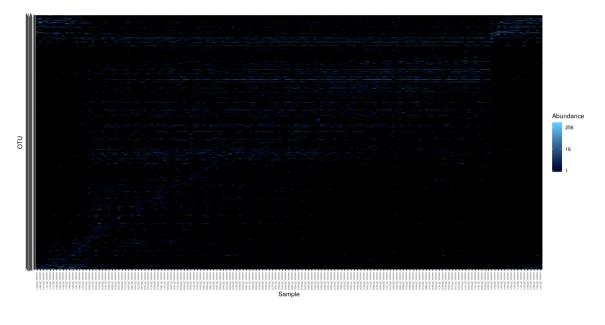
plot_heatmap is a versatile function to visualize the count table.

- Finds a meaningful order of the samples and the otus
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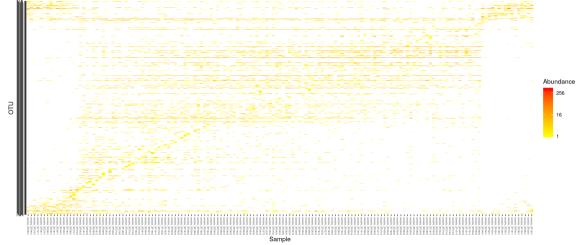
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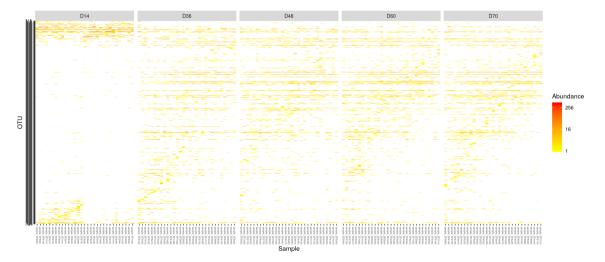
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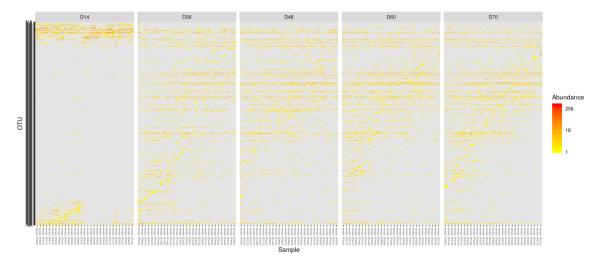
```
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```



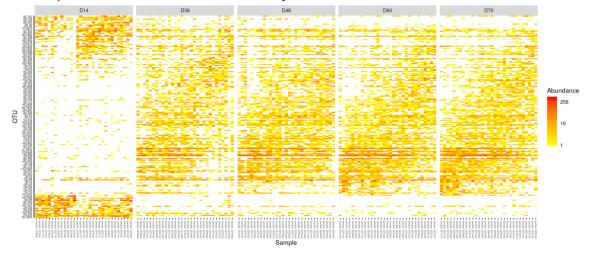
```
plot_heatmap(kinetic.rare, low = "yellow", high = "red", na.value = "white") +
    facet_grid(~Time, scales = "free_x")
```



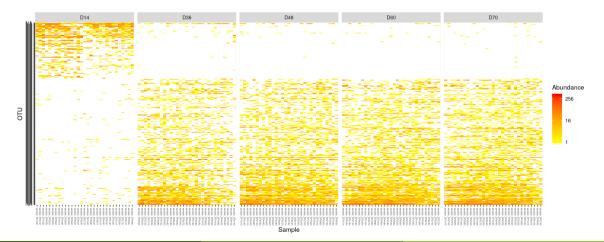
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Heatmap of the 200 most abundant taxa only



If you have differientally abundant taxa sorted by effect size in da.otus.



Interpretation

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- Interaction between (groups of) taxa and (groups of) samples
- Core and condition-specific microbiota
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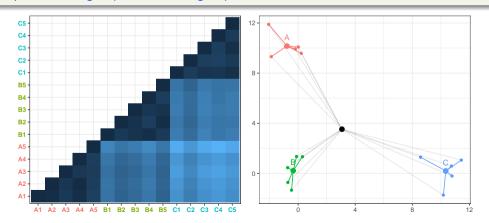
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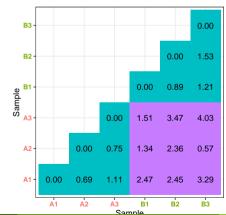
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The covariates explains roughly 22% of the total variation.

```
metadata <- as(sample_data(kinetic.rare), "data.frame")</pre>
adonis(dist.bc ~ Time + sex, data = metadata, perm = 9999)
##
## Call:
## adonis(formula = dist.bc ~ Time + sex, data = metadata, permutations = 9999)
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 9999
##
## Terms added sequentially (first to last)
##
            Df SumsOfSqs MeanSqs F.Model R2 Pr(>F)
##
## Time 4 9.587 2.39681 9.6645 0.20450 1e-04 ***
## sex 1 0.341 0.34118 1.3757 0.00728 1e-01.
## Residuals 149 36.952 0.24800
                                       0.78822
## Total
           154 46.881
                                       1.00000
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

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Method	Input	Steps	Axis	Variation explained
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CAP	X (sample $ imes$ var.) D (samp. $ imes$ samp.)	$D \xrightarrow{PCoA/MDS} Y$ $(Y, X) \xrightarrow{Proj.} \hat{Y}(X)$ $\hat{Y}(X) \xrightarrow{PCA} Axis$	Lin. comb. of var. (columns of X)	Distance between samples

CAP with capscale (I)

Regress a distance matrix against some covariates using the standard R syntax for linear models.

```
metadata <- as(sample_data(kinetic.rare), "data.frame") ## convert sample_data to data.frame
cap <- capscale(dist.bc ~ Time + sex, data = metadata)</pre>
```

CAP with capscale (II)

Sample type explains roughly 22% of the total variation between samples (as measured by wUnifrac)

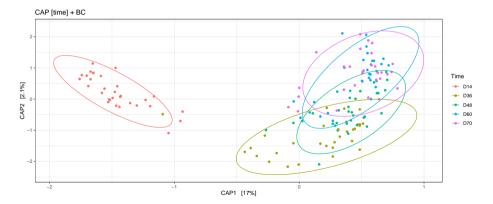
```
cap
## Call: capscale(formula = dist.bc ~ Time + sex, data = metadata)
##
##
                  Inertia Proportion Rank
              46.880766
                            1.000000
## Total
## Constrained 9.937185 0.211967
                                        5
## Unconstrained 37.354201 0.796792
                                      135
## Imaginary -0.410621 -0.008759
                                       19
## Inertia is squared Brav distance
##
## Eigenvalues for constrained axes:
        CAP2 CAP3 CAP4 CAP5
  8.079 1.011 0.387 0.320 0.140
##
  Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:
        MDS2
               MDS3
                     MDS4 MDS5
                                 MDS6
                                       MDS7
## 3.809 1.817 1.657 1.357 1.234 1.066 0.954 0.884
## (Showing 8 of 135 unconstrained eigenvalues)
```

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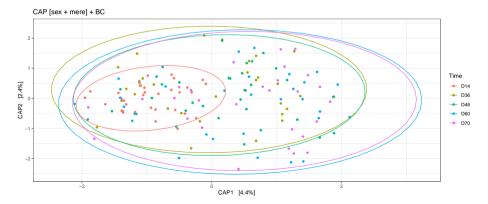
```
anova <- anova(cap, permutations = 999)</pre>
print(anova)
## Permutation test for capscale under reduced model
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: capscale(formula = dist.bc ~ Time + sex, data = metadata)
  Df SumOfSqs F Pr(>F)
##
## Model 5 9.937 7.9276 0.001 ***
## Residual 149 37.354
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
```

CAP as an ordination method

```
p <- plot_ordination(kinetic.rare, ordinate(kinetic.rare, "CAP", "bray", ~ Time), color = "Time")
p <- p + theme_bw() + ggtitle("CAP [time] + BC") + stat_ellipse(aes(group = Time))
plot(p)</pre>
```



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Differential analyses of count data

Differential analyses of count data based on negative binomial generalized linear model are widely popular in transcriptomics.

The model is defined as follows:

$$K_{ij} \sim \mathsf{NB}(\mu_{ij}; \alpha_i)$$

 $\mu_{ij} = s_j q_{ij}$
 $\log_2(q_{ij}) = x_j \beta_i$

where

- K_{ij} is the count for otu i in sample j
- ullet μ_{ij} is the otu imes sample mean
- ullet α_i is the otu-specific dispersion
- s_j is the sample-specific size-factor (e.g. sequencing depth)
- q_{ij} expected true abundance of otu i in sample j.
- The coefficients β_i give the \log_2 fold-changes for each variable in the model matrix X.

Example model matrix

- β_{i1} : the base (logarithmic) abundance of otu i. If group A is the reference group, this is the expected log-abundance of the otu in samples from group A (up to the sample-specific scaling factor) s_i .
- β_{i2} : the \log_2 fold change between groups A and B.

A few important points

DESeq2 implementation has differences with standard linear model:

- The sample-specific size-factor s_j controls for sequencing depths, there is no need to rarefy to even depths;
- The effect are additive in the log-scale (*i.e.* multiplicative in the natural scale), unlike linear model where they are additive in the natural scale;
- ullet The dispersions $lpha_i$ are estimated through partial pooling of the otus and not independently for each otu;
- ullet The estimates of eta_i are maximum a posteriori estimates using a zero-mean normal prior: the estimates are moderated by the use of this prior.

Typical Analysis

A typical DESeq2 analysis consists in

- formatting the count data and sample metadata appropriately
- \odot estimating the size factors s_j with estimateSizeFactors
- \odot estimating the dispersions α_i with estimateDispersions
- fitting the negative binomial models, testing the significance of the β_i with Wald test (nbinomWaldTest or Likelihood Ratio Tests (LRT, nbinomLRT)
- extracting significant OTUs for a given comparison using results

The estimation steps (2 to 4) are done all at once using the DESeq function.

DESeq2 with phyloseq (I)

phyloseq takes care of the formatting, you just need to specify the model:

```
cds <- phyloseq_to_deseq2(kinetic, ~ Weaned)

## Loading required namespace: DESeq2
## converting counts to integer mode</pre>
```

and then fit the model

```
dds <- DESeq2::DESeq(cds)

## estimating size factors

## Error in estimateSizeFactorsForMatrix(counts(object), locfunc = locfunc, : every gene
contains at least one zero, cannot compute log geometric means</pre>
```

DESeq2 with phyloseq (II)

In our case, fitting failed because the dataset is way too sparse and not really adapted to DA analysis using sophisticated model. We'll be be smarter and tell DESeq to use only positive counts when computing the size factors.

```
cds <- phyloseq_to_deseq2(kinetic, ~ Weaned)
## converting counts to integer mode</pre>
```

and then fit the model (this can take some time and still throws some warnings)

```
dds <- DESeq2::DESeq(cds, sfType = "poscounts")</pre>
```

DESeq2 with phyloseq (III)

Select otus that differ before and after Weaning at p < 0.01 (after correction for multiple testing)

```
options(digits = 3)
results <- DESeq2::results(dds, name = "WeanedTRUE", tidy = TRUE)
## results <- DESeq2::results(dds, contrast = c("Time", "D14", "D36")) for testing Time D36 against D14
da.otus <- results %>% rename(OTU = row)
head(da.otus, 2)
##
        OTU baseMean log2FoldChange lfcSE stat pvalue padj
     ## 2 otu 1686 0.00595 0.672 3.63 0.185 0.853
da.otus <- subset(da.otus, padi < 0.01) ## significant otus
dim(da.otus)
## [1] 321 7
```

DESeg2 with phyloseg (IV)

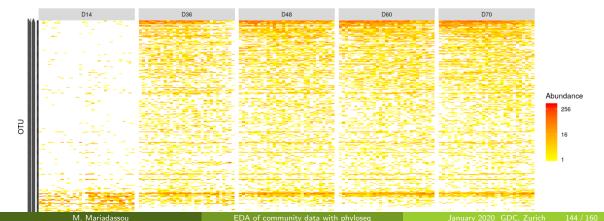
Enrich results with taxonomic information and add OTU number in a column

```
tax_df <- tax_table(kinetic) %>%
 as("matrix") %>% as.data.frame() %>%
 mutate(OTU = taxa names(kinetic))
da.otus <- inner_join(da.otus, tax_df, by = c("OTU"))</pre>
head(da.otus. n = 2)
##
        OTU baseMean log2FoldChange lfcSE stat pvalue padj Kingdom
  1 otu_123 8.85 2.33 0.328 7.11 1.15e-12 8.15e-12 Bacteria
     otu_55 1.59 3.84 0.618 6.22 4.92e-10 2.61e-09 Bacteria
          Phylum Class
                                          Family Genus
                                   Order
## 1 Bacteroidetes Bacteroidia Bacteroidales Prevotellaceae Prevotella
## 2 Bacteroidetes Bacteroidia Bacteroidales Prevotellaceae Prevotella
```

Sort taxa by log_2 fold change

```
da.otus <- arrange(da.otus, log2FoldChange)</pre>
head(da.otus, n = 2)
##
    OTU baseMean log2FoldChange lfcSE stat pvalue padj Kingdom
     otu 22 17.30 -7.96 0.788 -10.1 5.09e-24 9.79e-23 Bacteria
## 1
## 2 otu 1477
            6.14 -7.08 0.646 -11.0 6.54e-28 1.68e-26 Bacteria
```

DESeq2 with phyloseq (VI)



DA taxa

We will now add a "DA" column to the taxonomy to say which OTUs are (significantly) more abundant after weaning, before weaning or neither.

```
## create OTU status vector
da.class <- rep("None", ntaxa(kinetic))
names(da.class) <- taxa_names(kinetic)
weaned.otus <- subset(da.otus, log2FoldChange < 0)$OTU
not.weaned.otus <- subset(da.otus, log2FoldChange > 0)$OTU
da.class[weaned.otus] <- "Before Weaning"
da.class[not.weaned.otus] <- "After Weaning"
## Add new vector to taxonomy
tax_table(kinetic) <- cbind(tax_table(kinetic)[, 1:6], da.class)</pre>
```

DA taxa (II)

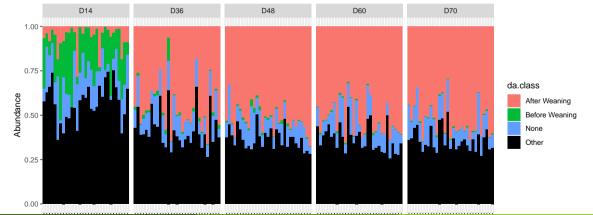
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```
head(tax table(kinetic))
## Taxonomy Table: [6 taxa by 7 taxonomic ranks]:
##
           Kingdom Phylum Class
                                                   Order
## otu 692 "Bacteria" "Bacteroidetes" "Bacteroidia" "Bacteroidales"
## otu 1686 "Bacteria" "Bacteroidetes" "Bacteroidia" "Bacteroidales"
## otu_2192 "Bacteria" "Bacteroidetes" "Bacteroidia" "Bacteroidales"
## otu_3292 "Bacteria" "Bacteroidetes" "Bacteroidia" "Bacteroidales"
## otu 4395 "Bacteria" "Bacteroidetes" "Bacteroidia" "Bacteroidales"
## otu 2267 "Bacteria" "Bacteroidetes" "Bacteroidia" "Bacteroidales"
##
           Family
                            Genus da.class
## otu 692 "Prevotellaceae" "Prevotella" "None"
## otu 1686 "Prevotellaceae" "Prevotella" "None"
## otu 2192 "Prevotellaceae" "Prevotella" "None"
## otu 3292 "Prevotellaceae" "Prevotella" "None"
## otu 4395 "Prevotellaceae" "Prevotella" "None"
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```

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```
p <- plot_composition(kinetic, "Kingdom", "Bacteria", "da.class", fill = "da.class")
p <- p + facet_wrap("Time, scales = "free_x", nrow = 1)
plot(p)</pre>
```

Composition within Bacteria (da.class 1 to 9)



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```
weaned_fraction <- kinetic %>% transform_sample_counts(fun = count_to_prop) %>%
    subset_taxa(da.class == "Before Weaning")
p <- plot_composition(weaned_fraction, "Kingdom", "Bacteria", "Family", fill = "Family")
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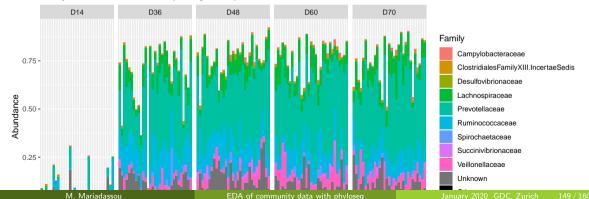
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not_weaned_fraction <- kinetic %>% transform_sample_counts(fun = count_to_prop) %>%
  subset taxa(da.class == "After Weaning")
p <- plot_composition(not_weaned_fraction, "Kingdom", "Bacteria", "Family", fill = "Family")</pre>
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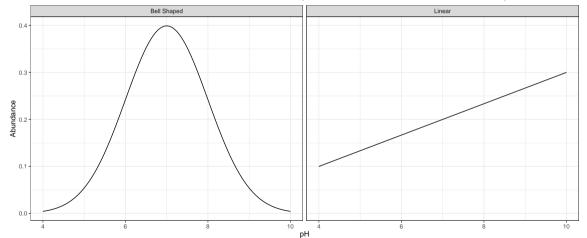
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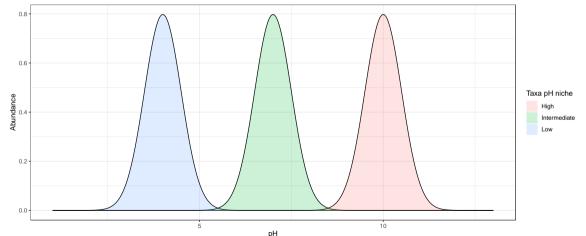
A few words about linear responses

PERMANOVA (resp. DESEq2) is based on the idea of linear (resp. multiplicative) responses but ecological responses are usually bell-shaped (e.g. optimal pH range for a taxa)



A word about linear responses (II)

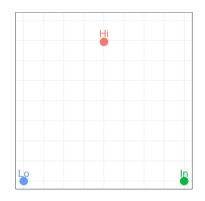
In particular, if you get too far away along a linear gradient (e.g. pH), communities don't share any species



A word about linear responses (III)

And communities "High", "Intermediate" and "Low" are all at distance 1 of each other. 2D-plots are perfect!

	Lo	In	Hi
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Hi	1.00	1.00	0.00

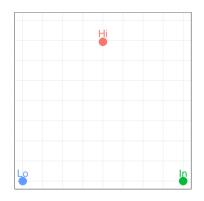


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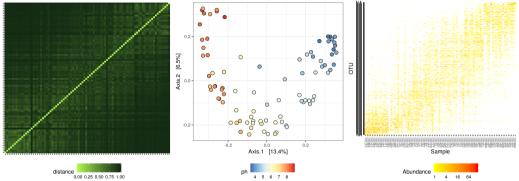
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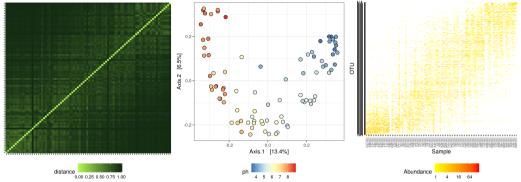
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Conclusion

- Import your data into phyloseq using import_qiime or import_biom
- Filter OTUs, select part of the data with prune_taxa, subset_taxa and their counterpart for samples.
- Rarefy counts (when needed) using rarefy_even_depth
- Compute α -diversities using estimate_richness
- Compute β -diversities using distance
- Vizualise samples using plot_ordination
- Overlay environmental variables using envfit
- Vizualise count table using plot_heatmap (useful to emphasize block structure)
- Test effect of covariates using PERMANOVA with adonis
- Find differentially abundant taxa with DESEq2
- Explore graphics with plotly

Final word about graphics

Most of the graphics were produced using ggplot. If you have installed plotly on your computer, you can navigate them by replacing plot with ggplotly (requires RStudio version ≥ 1.0).

```
install.package(plotly)
ord <- ordinate(kinetic.rare, method = "MDS", distance = "bray")
p <- plot_ordination(kinetic.rare, ord, color = "Time", shape = "Bande")
ggplotly(p) ## replaces plot(p)</pre>
```

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Homeworks: Global Patterns

Dataset from Caporaso et al. (2011) used to study microbial diversity in very diverse environments with ultra-deep sequencing.

- Compare α -diversities across environments (SampleType). Which environments are more/less diverse? Is it consistent with your intuition?
- Using β -diversities, what could you say about the different environments?

Homeworks: Chaillou

Dataset from Chaillou et al. (2015) used to study bacterial communities from 8 different food products (EnvType), distributed as 4 meat products and 4 seafoods. Used to find core microbiota of food products.

- Compare α -diversities across environments (EnvType). Which environments are more/less diverse? Is it consistent with your intuition?
- Are the difference between food products reflected in the communities?
- What happens to ordination plots when you move from one distance to another (among the four seen previously)? What does it tell you?
- DesLardons (sliced bacon) use sea salt. Is it coherent with the results observed using Jaccard and Unifrac distance?
- Are some taxa differentially abundant between meat and seafood?

Homeworks: Bacterial Vaginosis

Dataset from Ravel et al. (2011) used to study the vaginal microbiome of reproductive-age women. They looked at Ethnic Group (Ethnic_Group), pH (pH), Nugent score and category (Nugent_Score and Nugent_Cat, a score used to predict bacterial vaginosis - BV, with higher scores corresponding to higher likelihood of disease - and a discrete traduction as low, intermediate and high values) and created 5 groups (CST).

- ullet Is there a correlation between pH, Nugent score, group, Ethnic group and the lpha-diversity?
- Do these covariates have an impact on community composition?
- How do groups compare in terms of community composition?
- \bullet Try to find how the group were made. What's special about group IV (hint: look at the count data)
- If you knew the group (CST) of a patient, how could you guess its status (BV or not)?