

A common language and tools for multidimensional analyses in ecology and palaeontology

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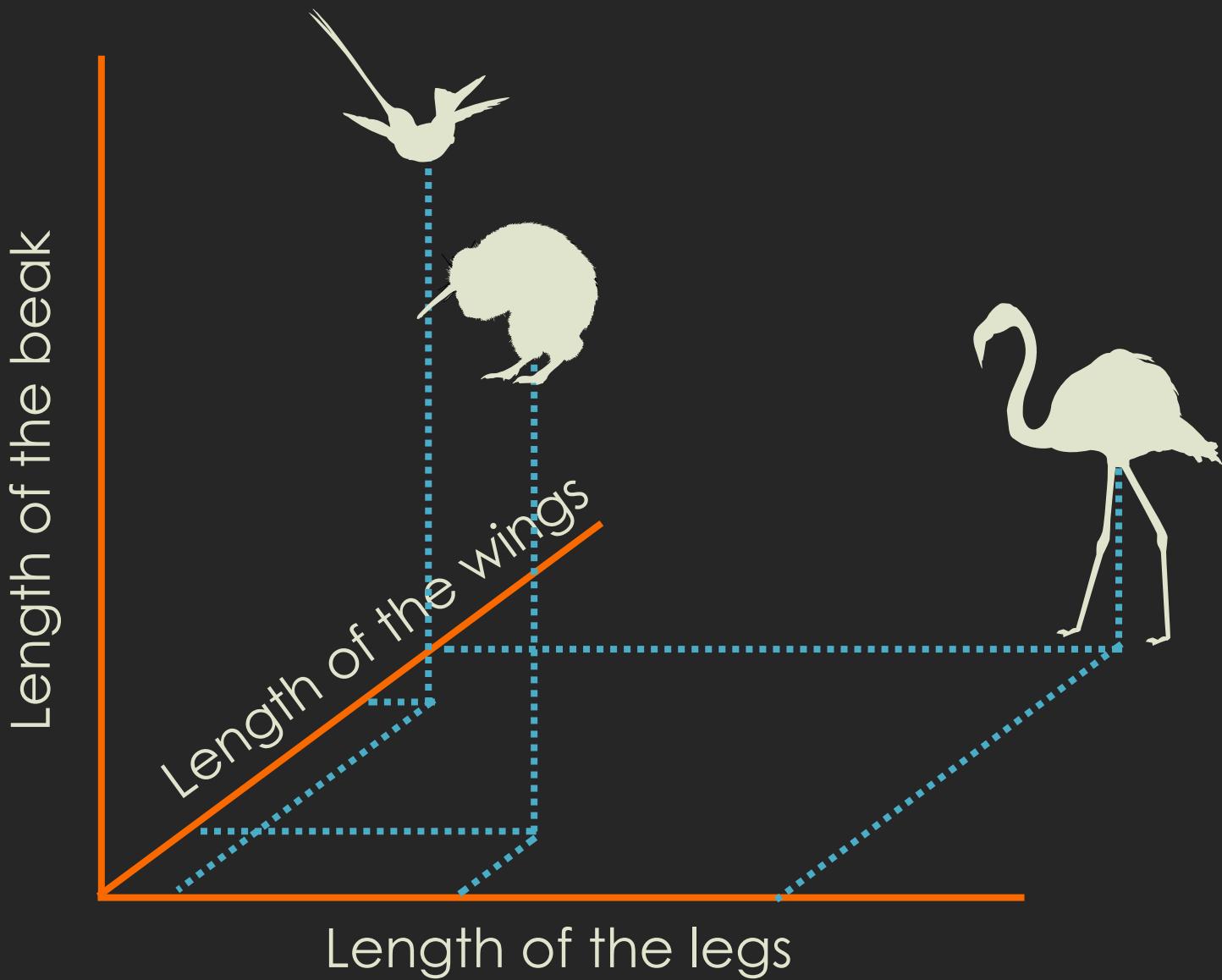
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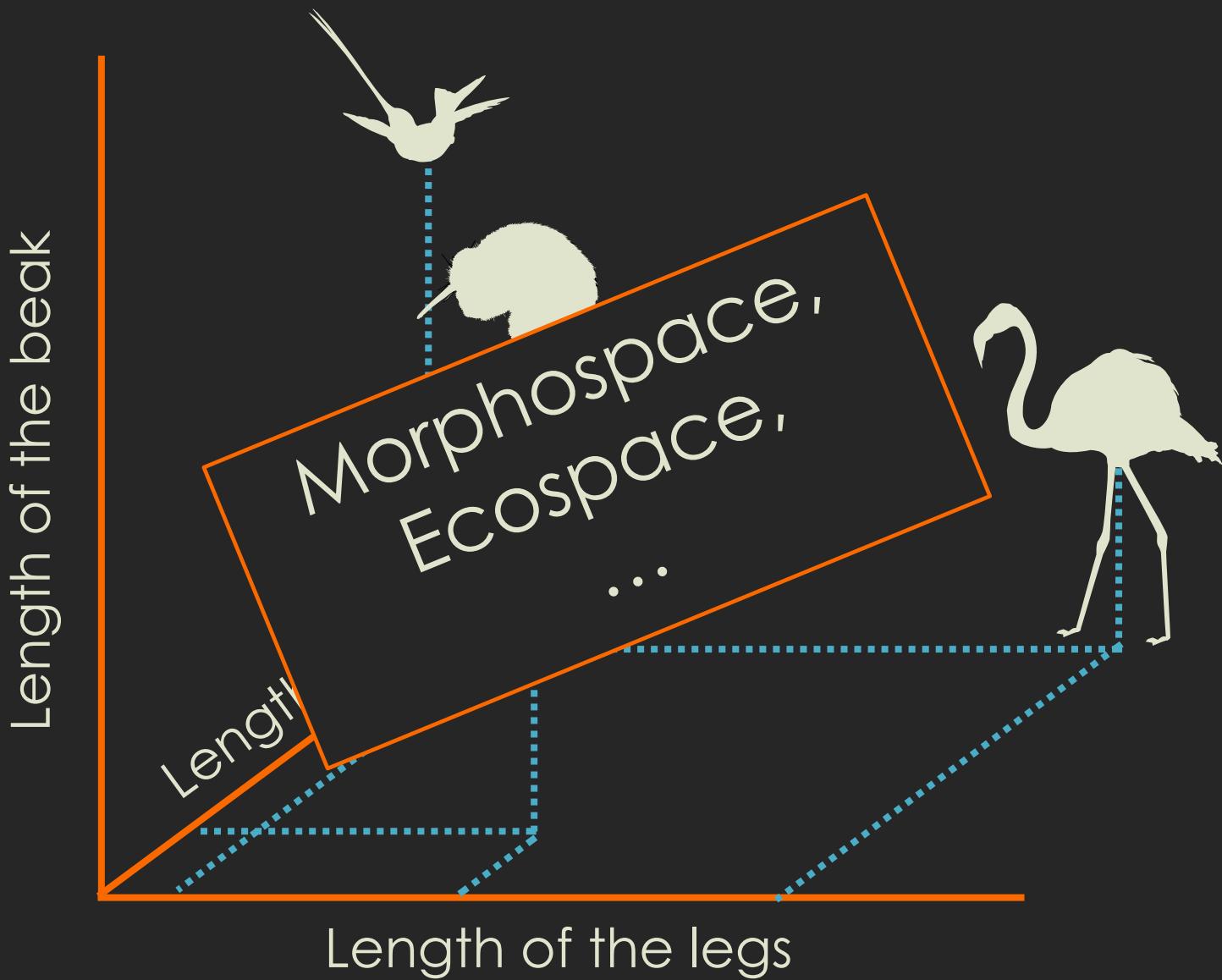


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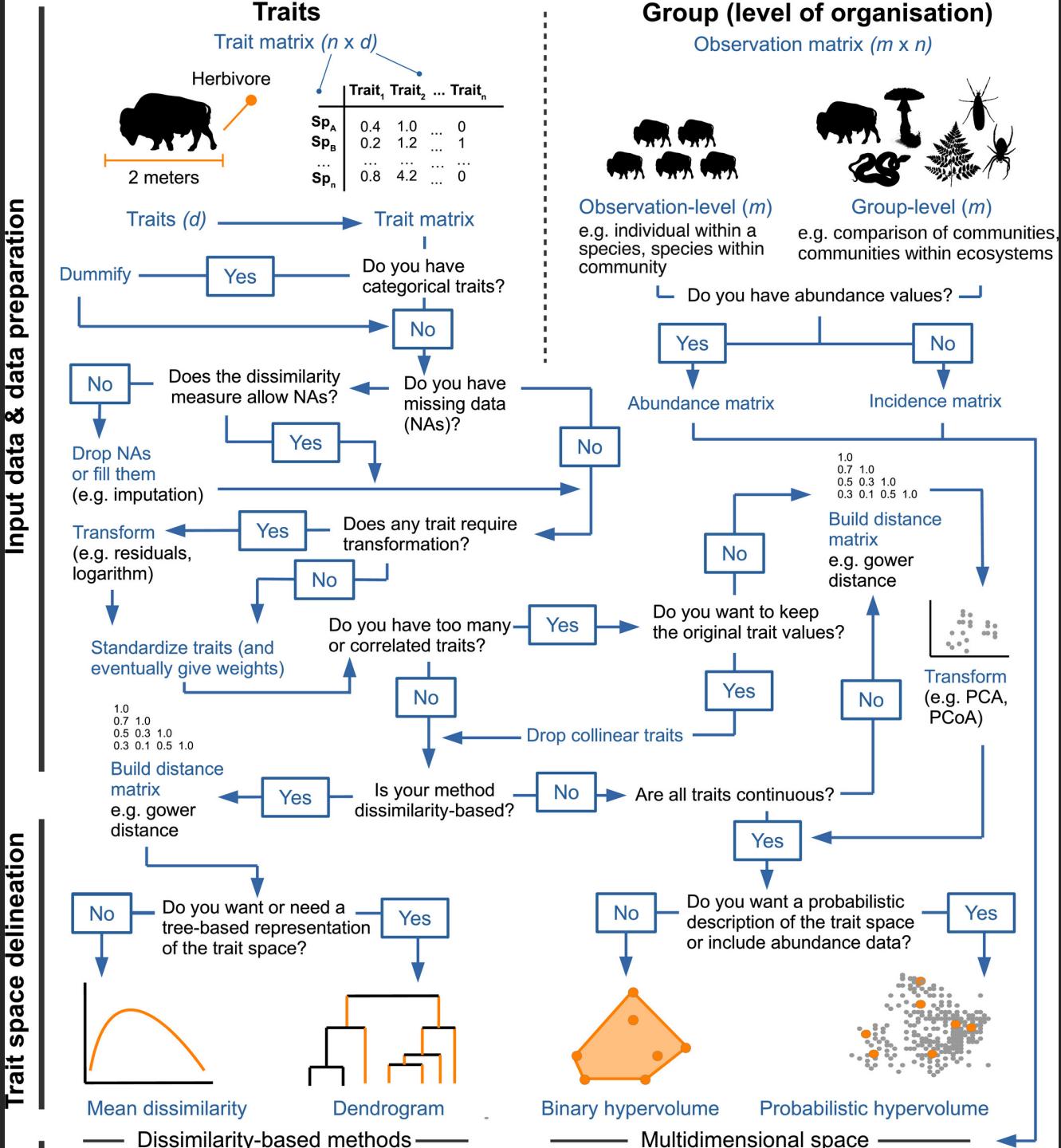
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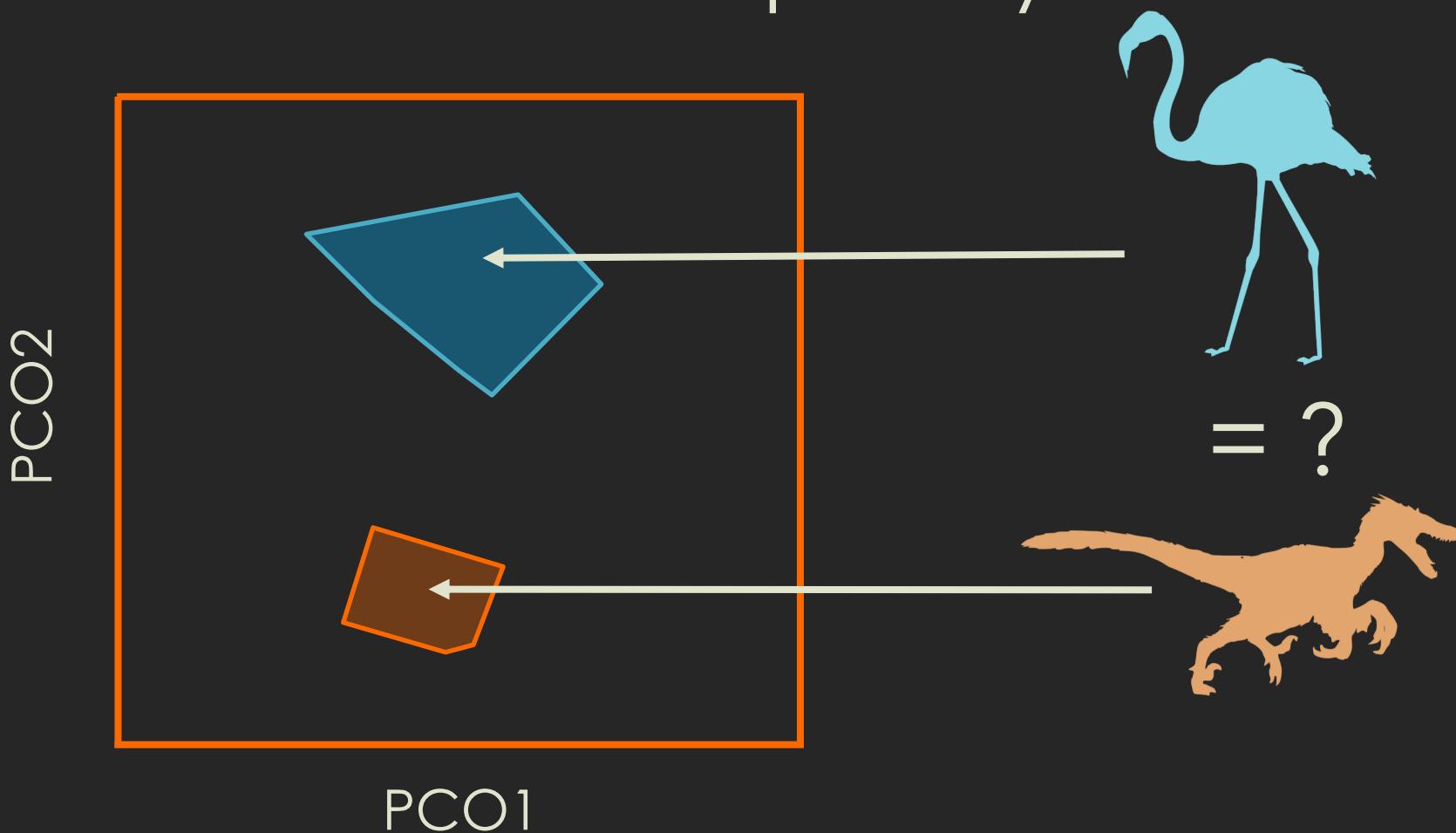
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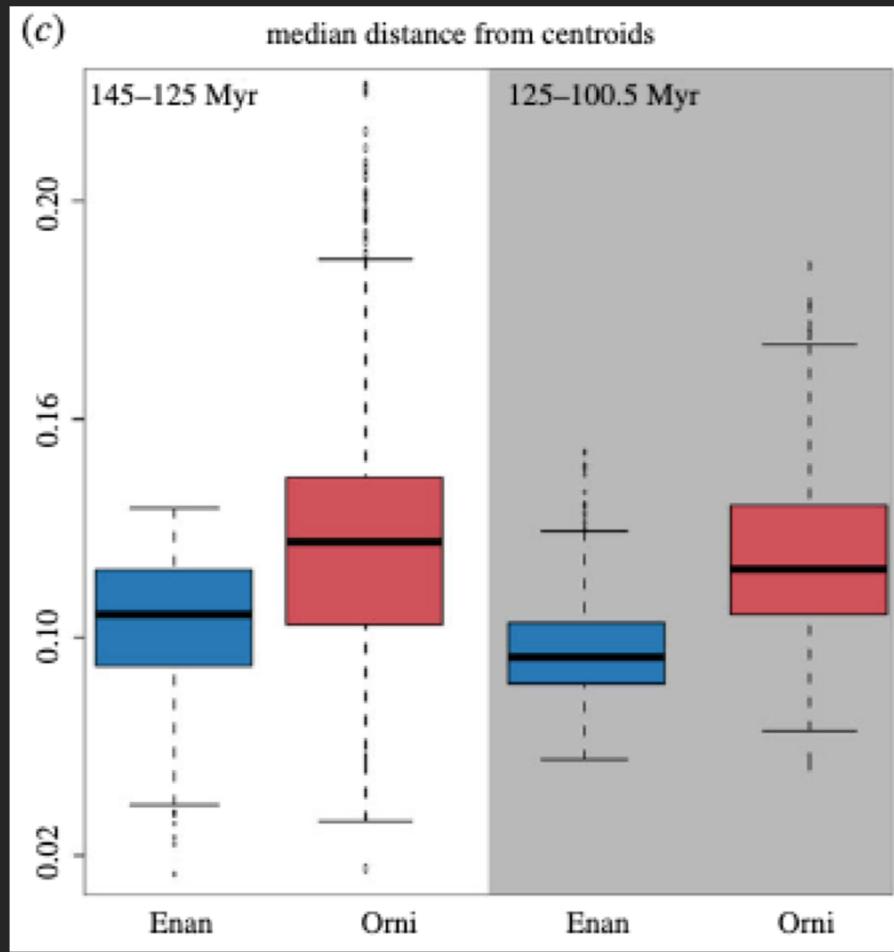
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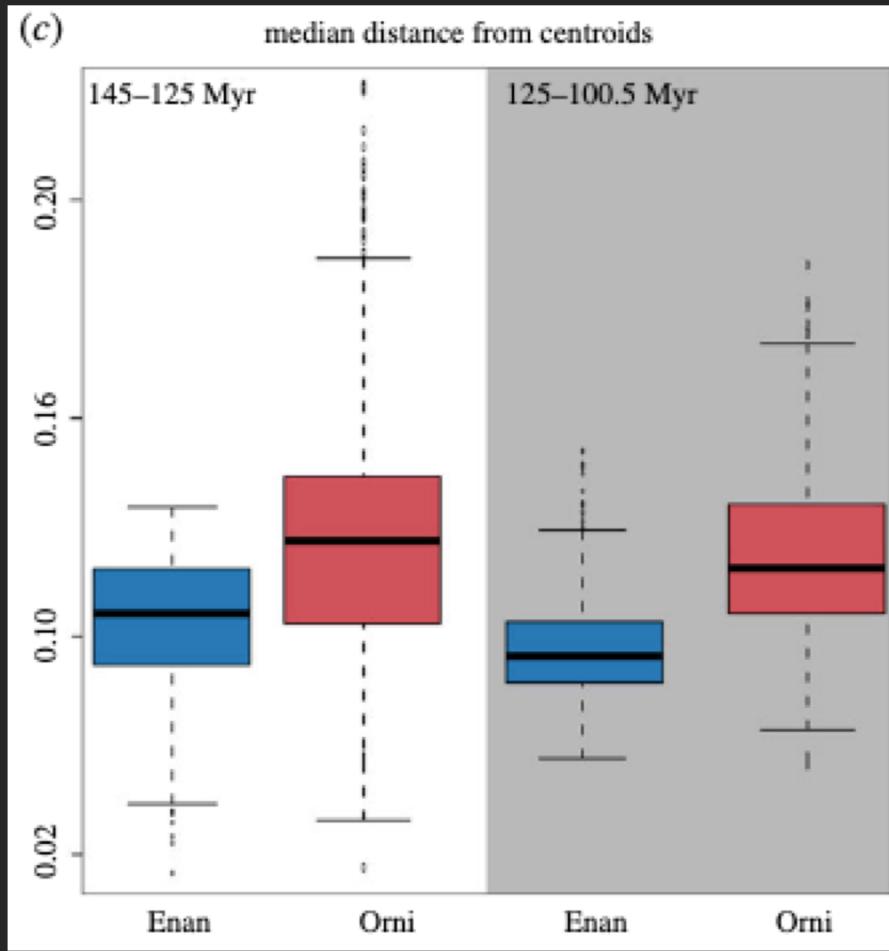
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Disparity: How diverse are the morphologies, between groups and through time?

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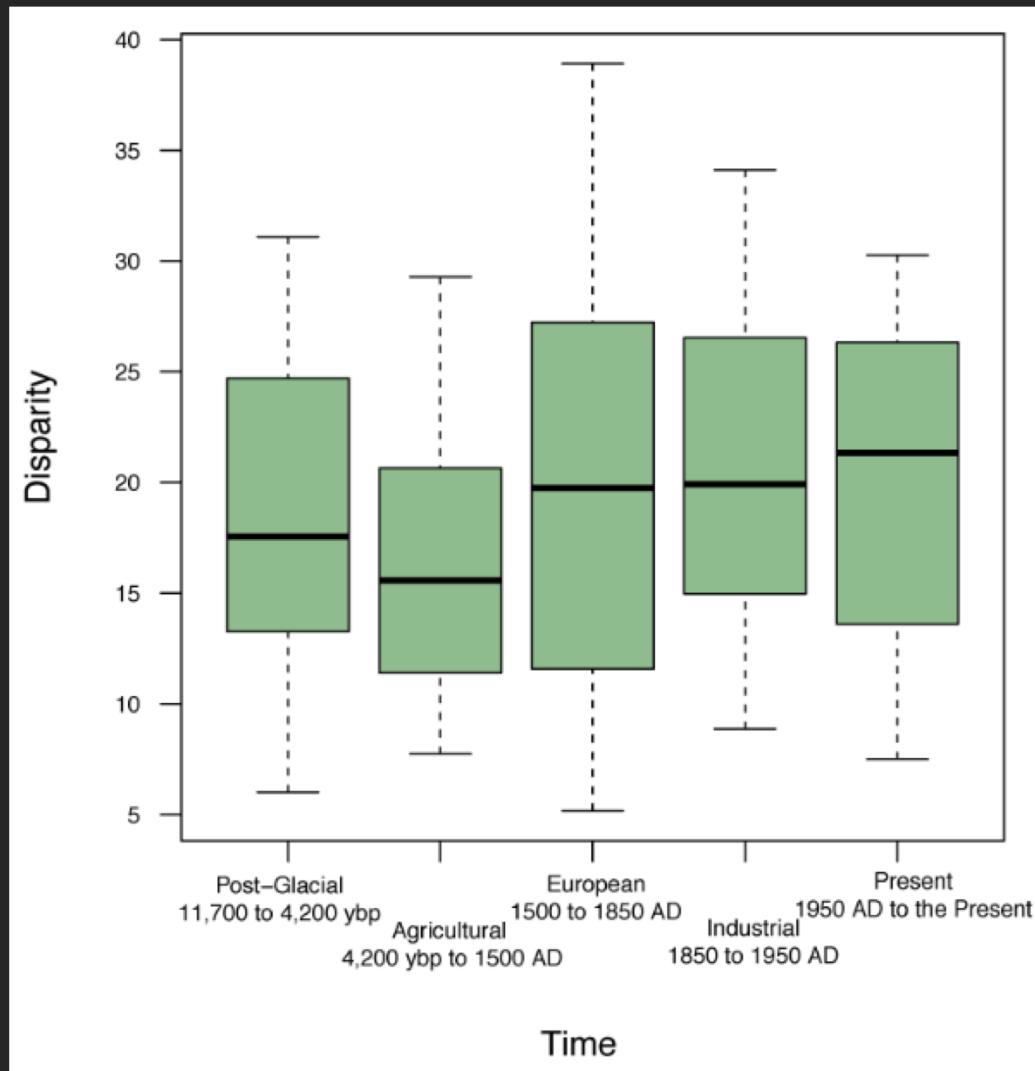
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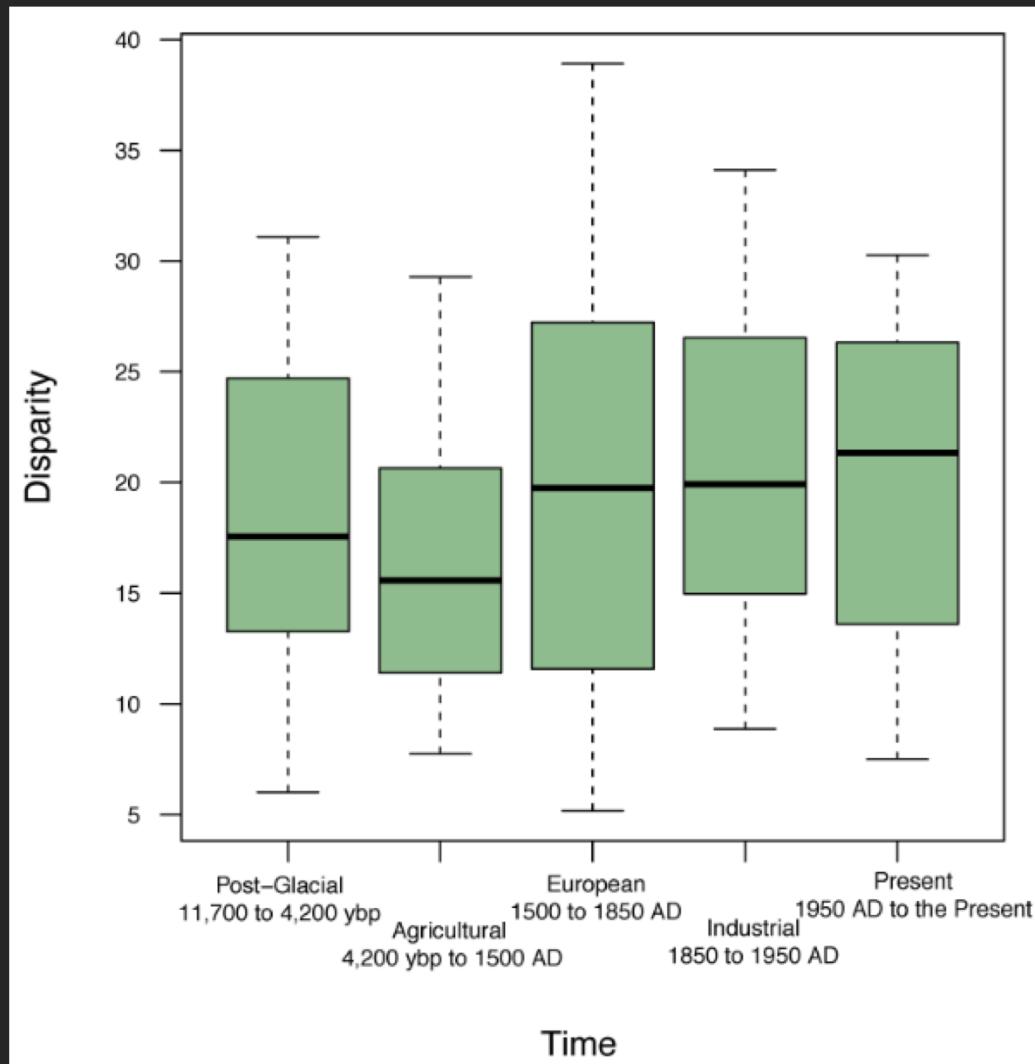
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Disparity: how dispersed is the data within different time bins?

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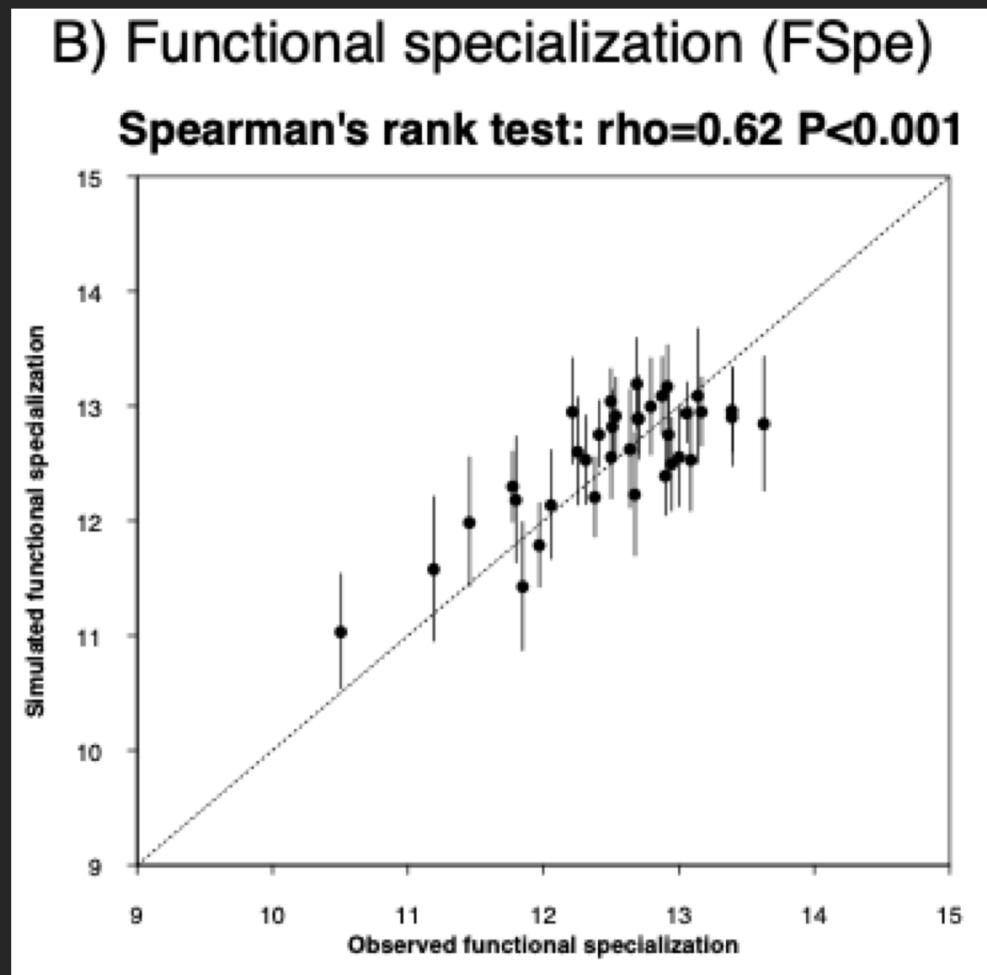
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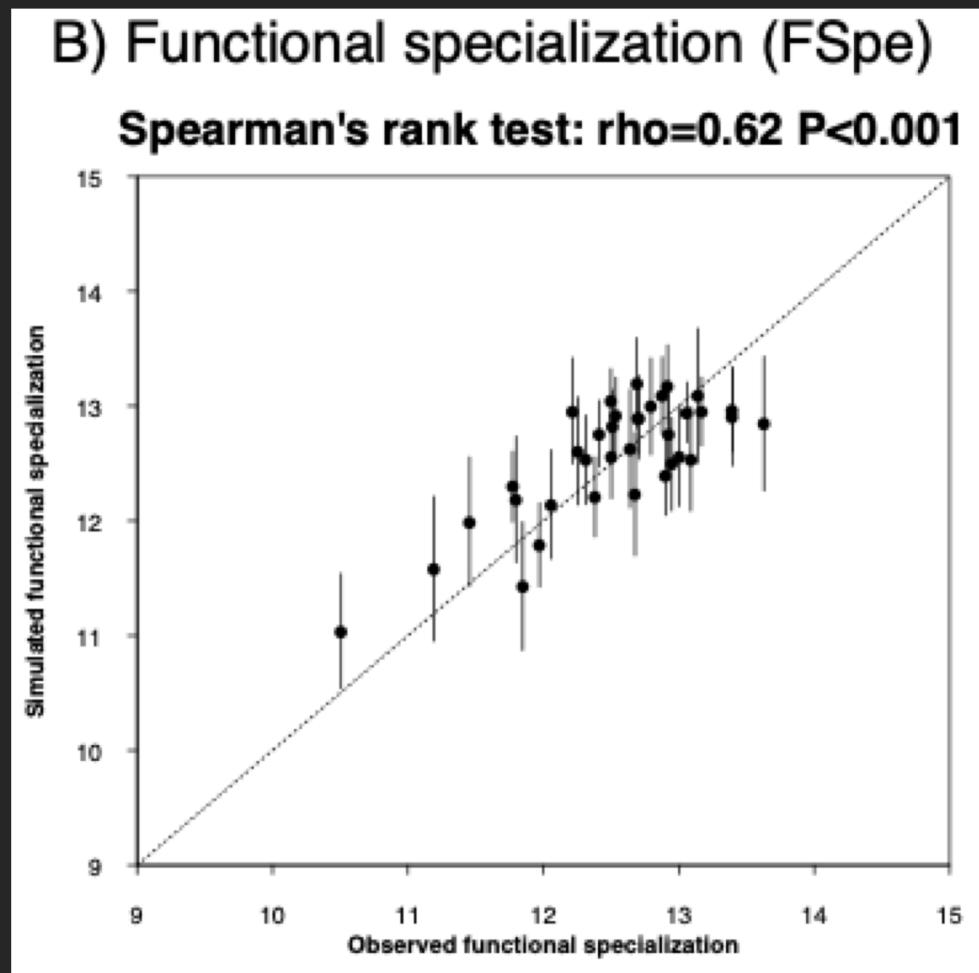
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Functional specialization: What is the intraspecific variation of extreme trait values?

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Data dis-

Mean distances from centroid

Fun.
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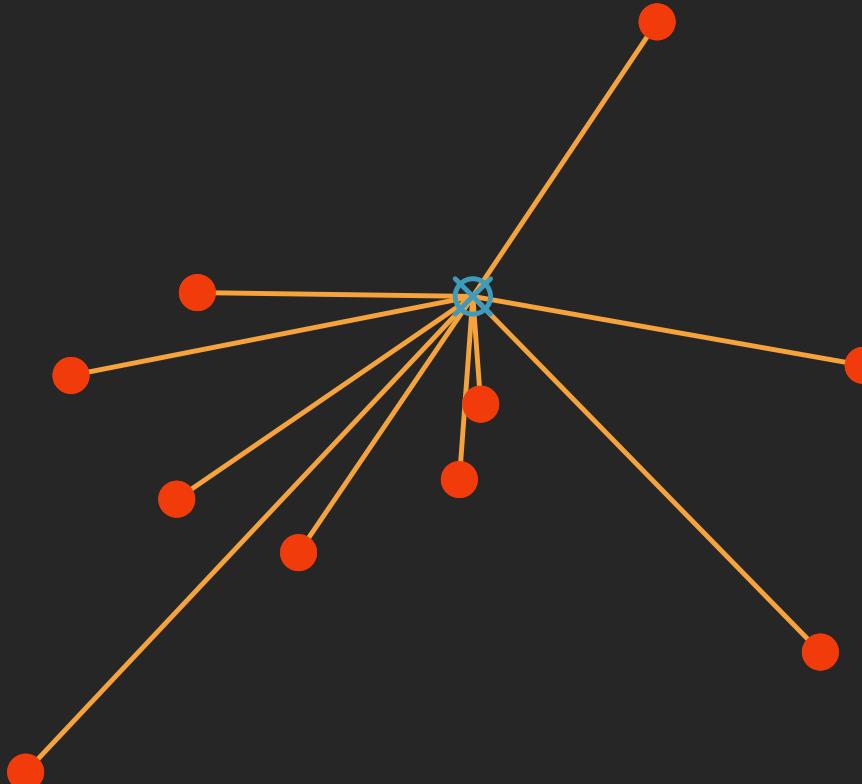
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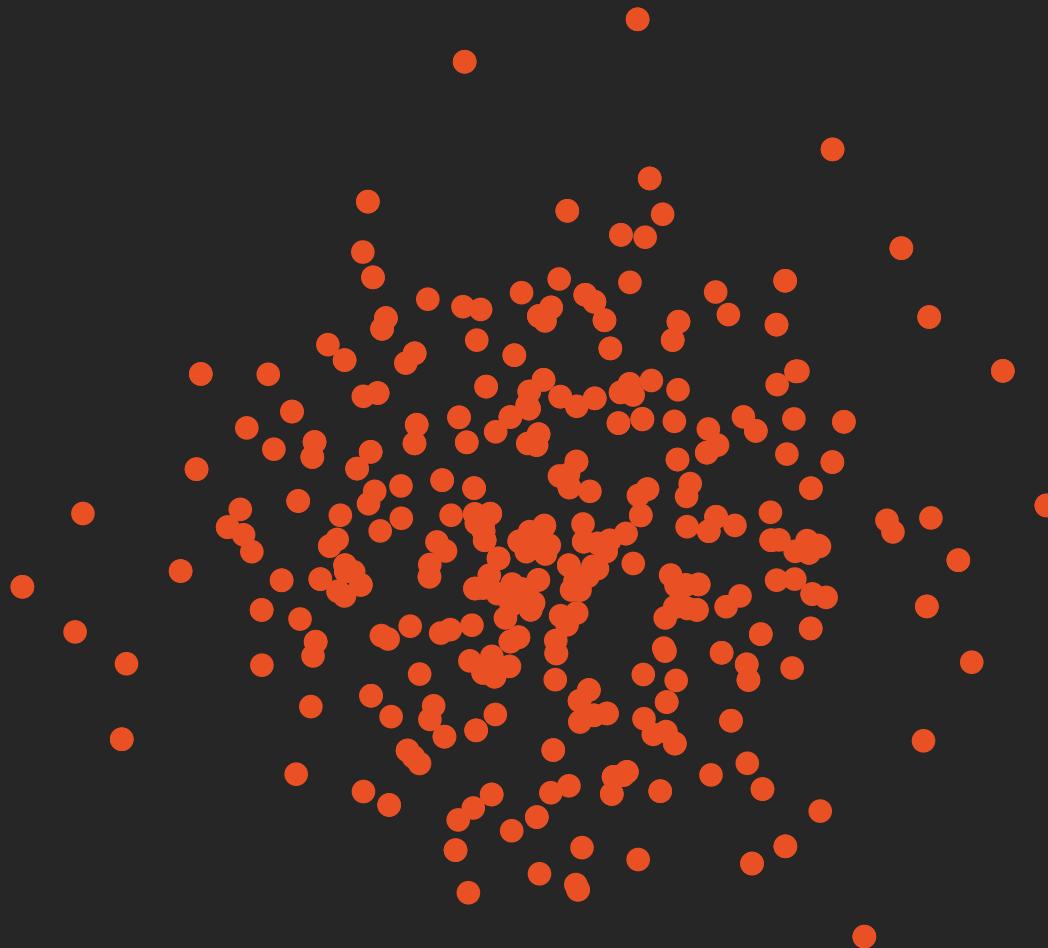
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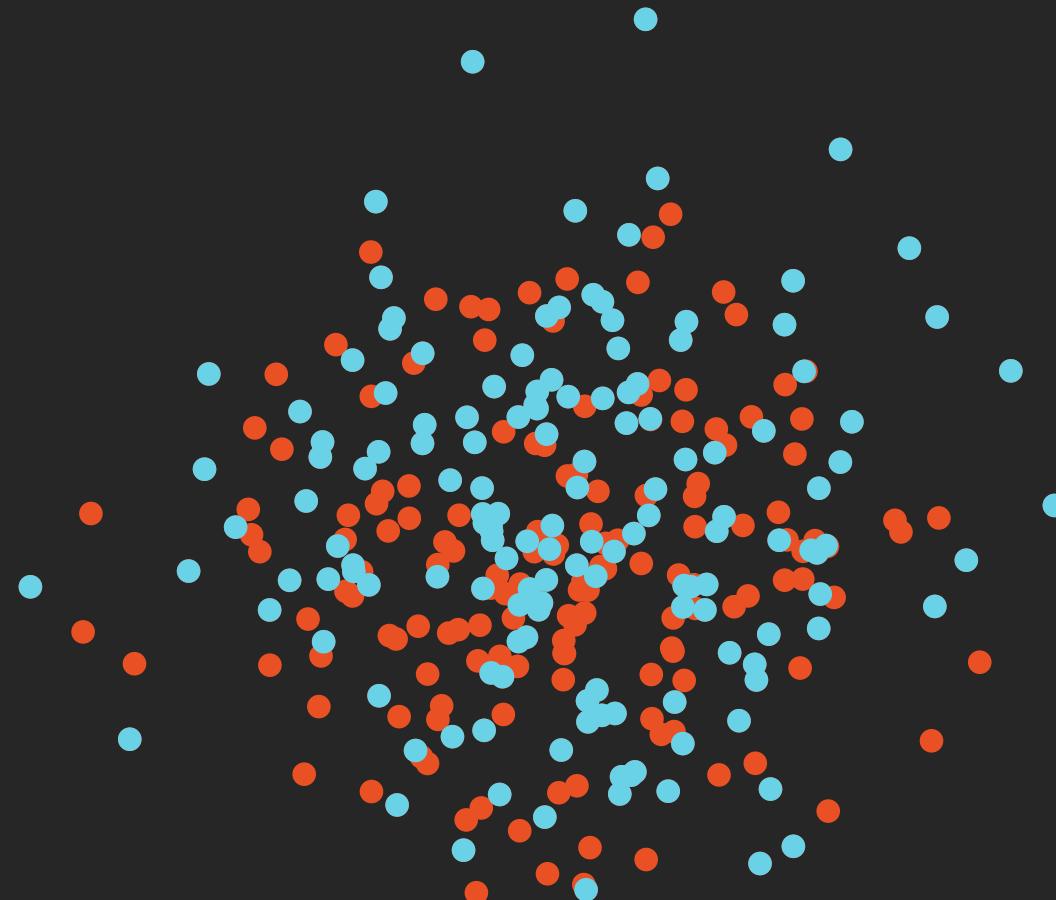
Measuring things in a similar
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= similar mathematical patterns

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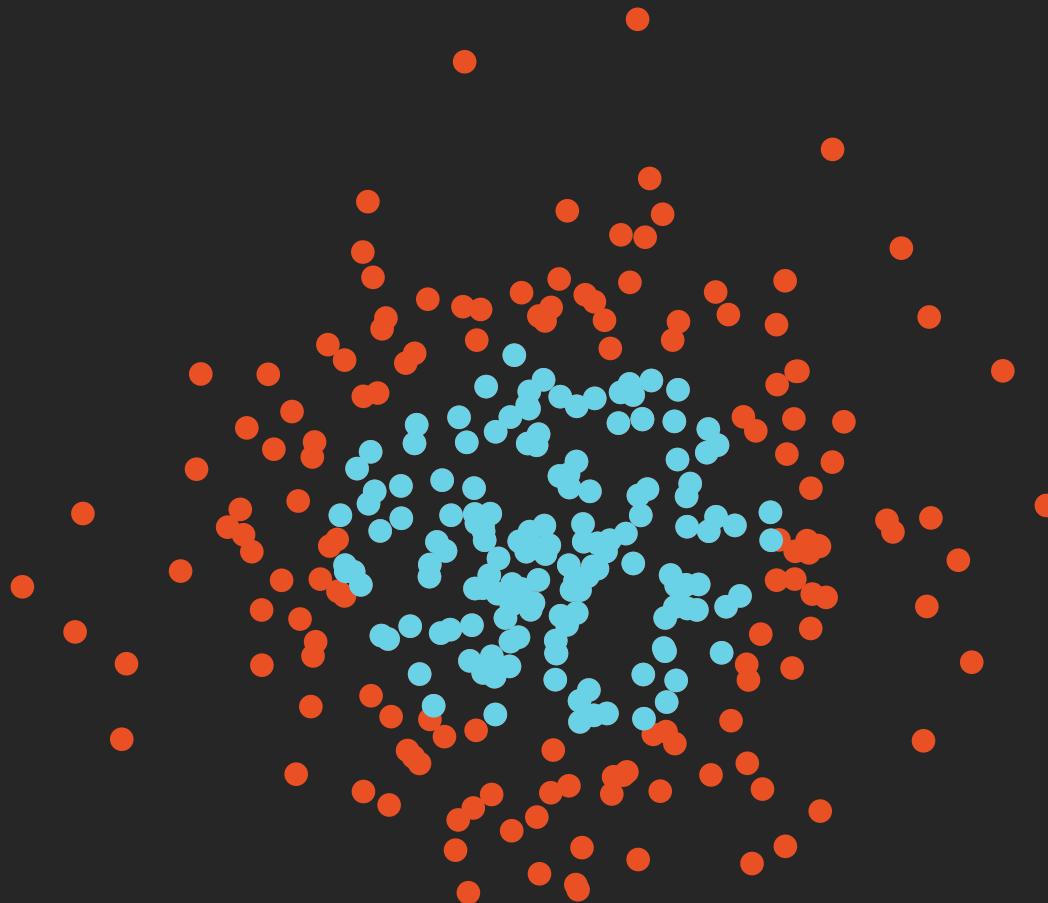


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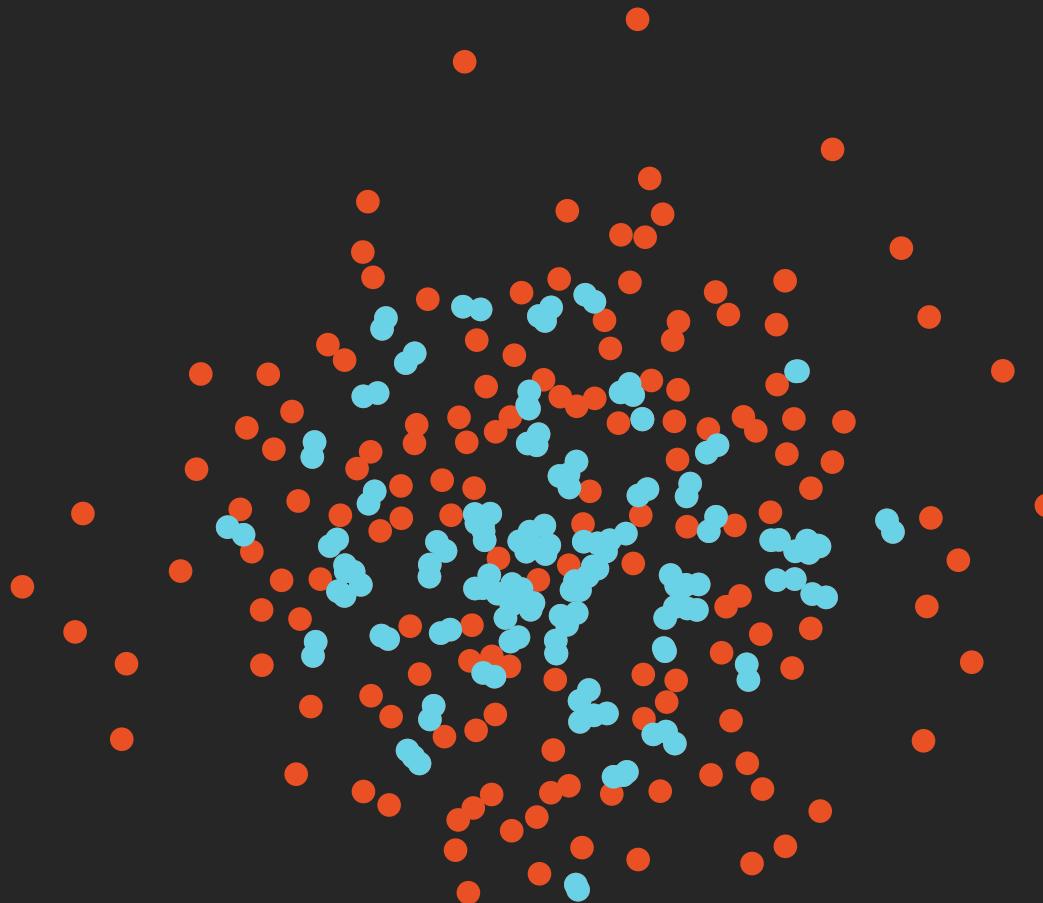
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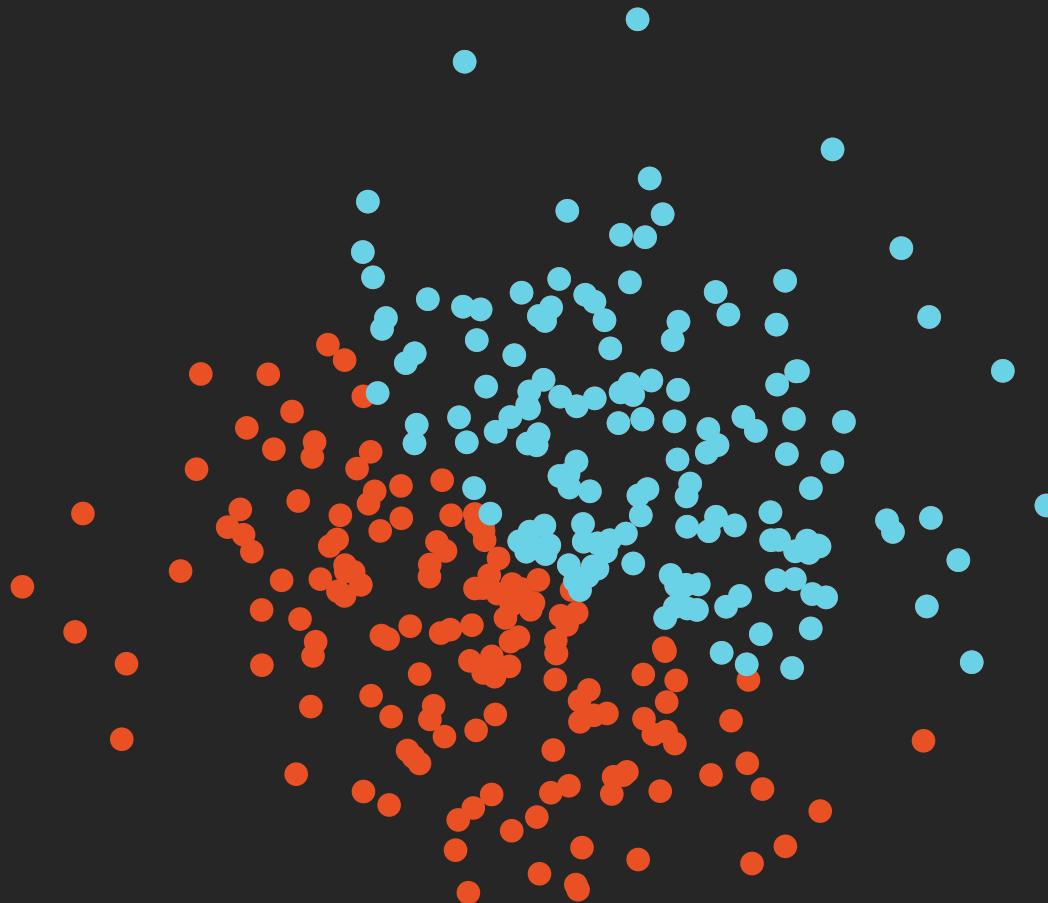
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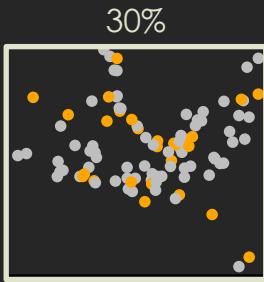
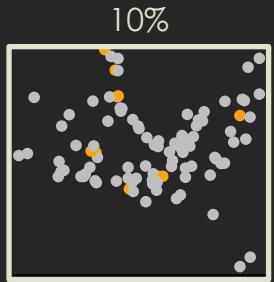


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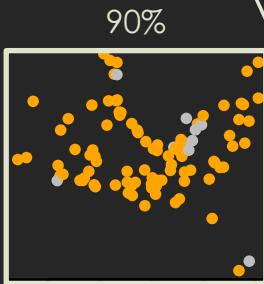
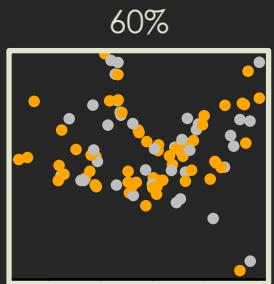
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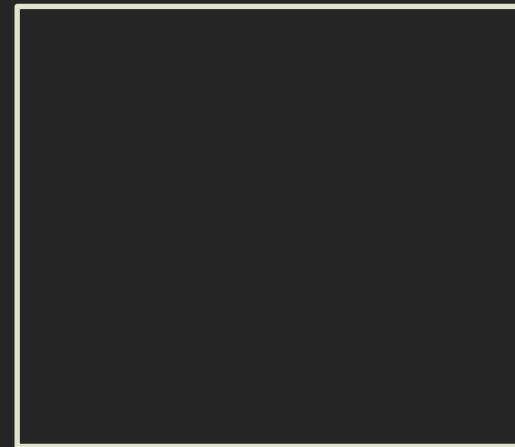
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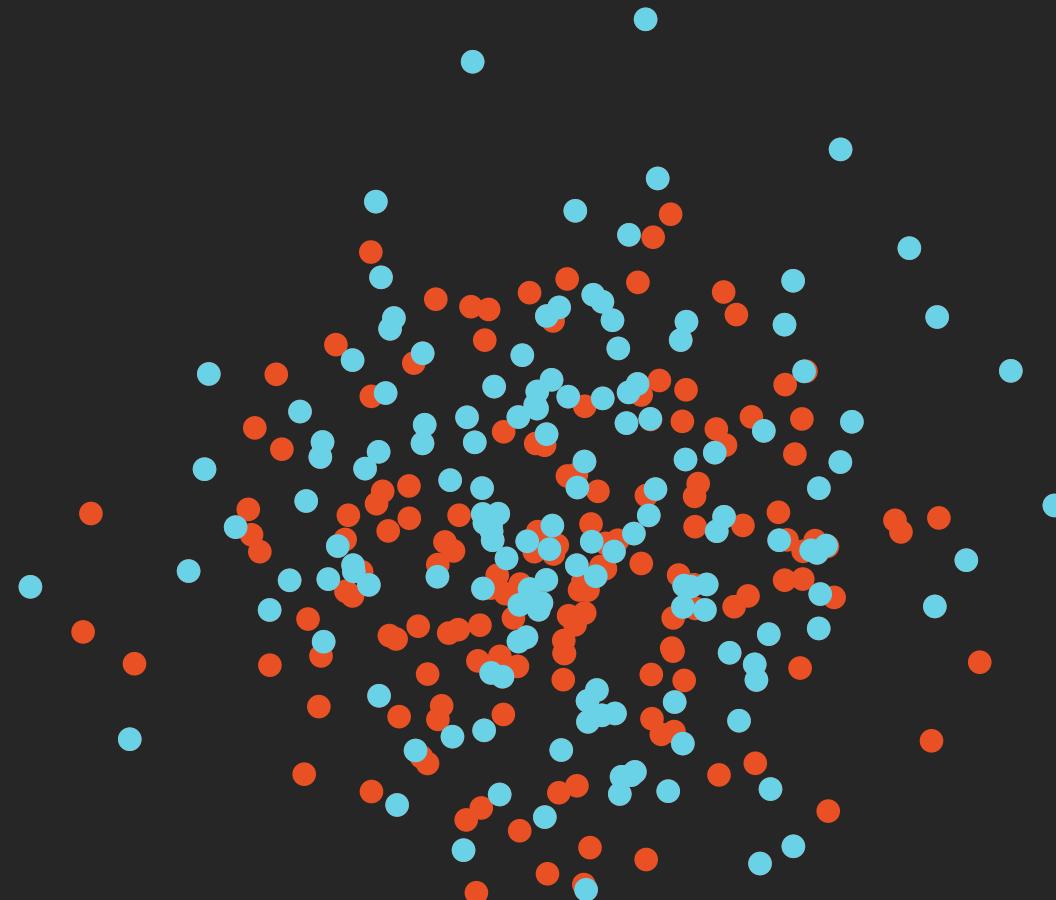


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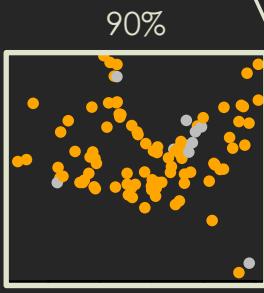
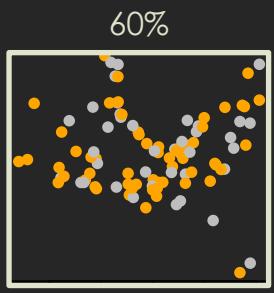
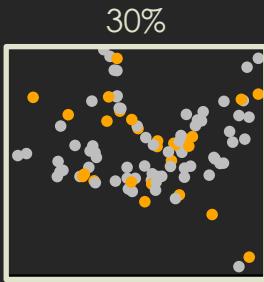
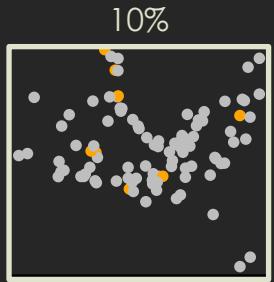


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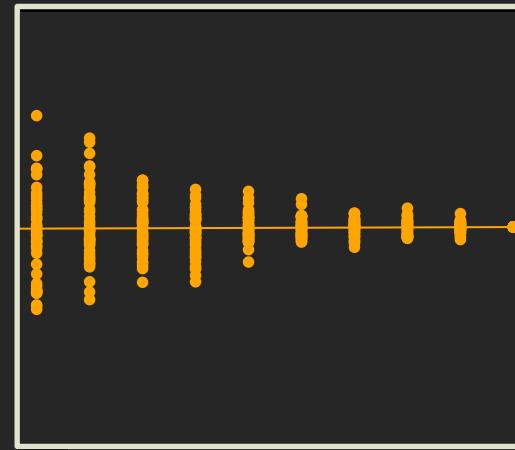


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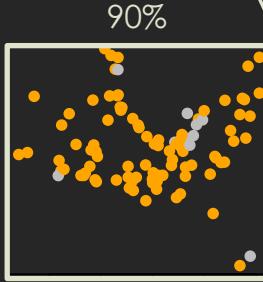
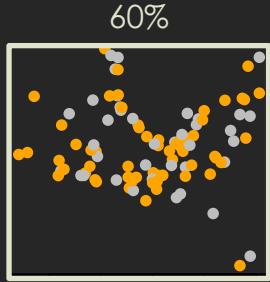
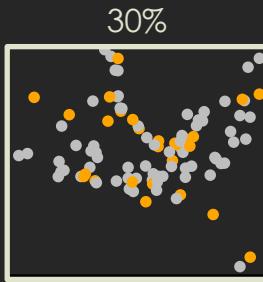
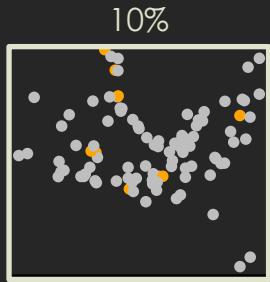


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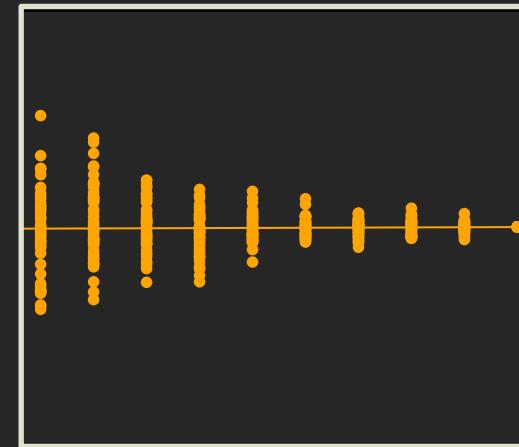


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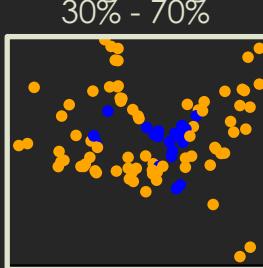
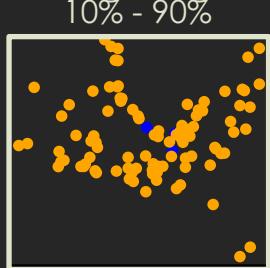


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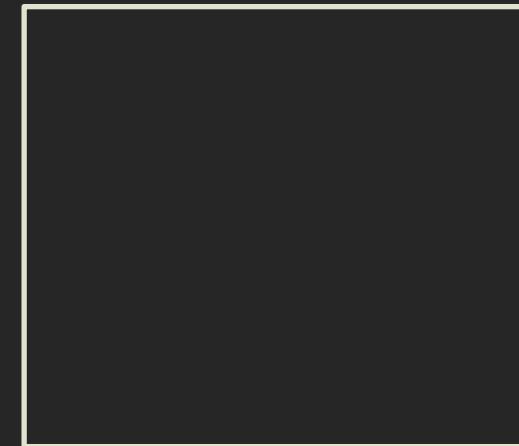
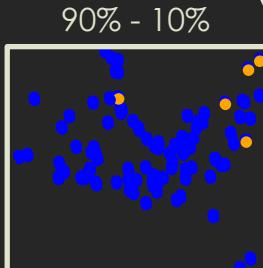
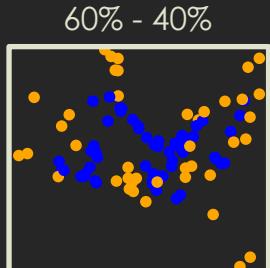


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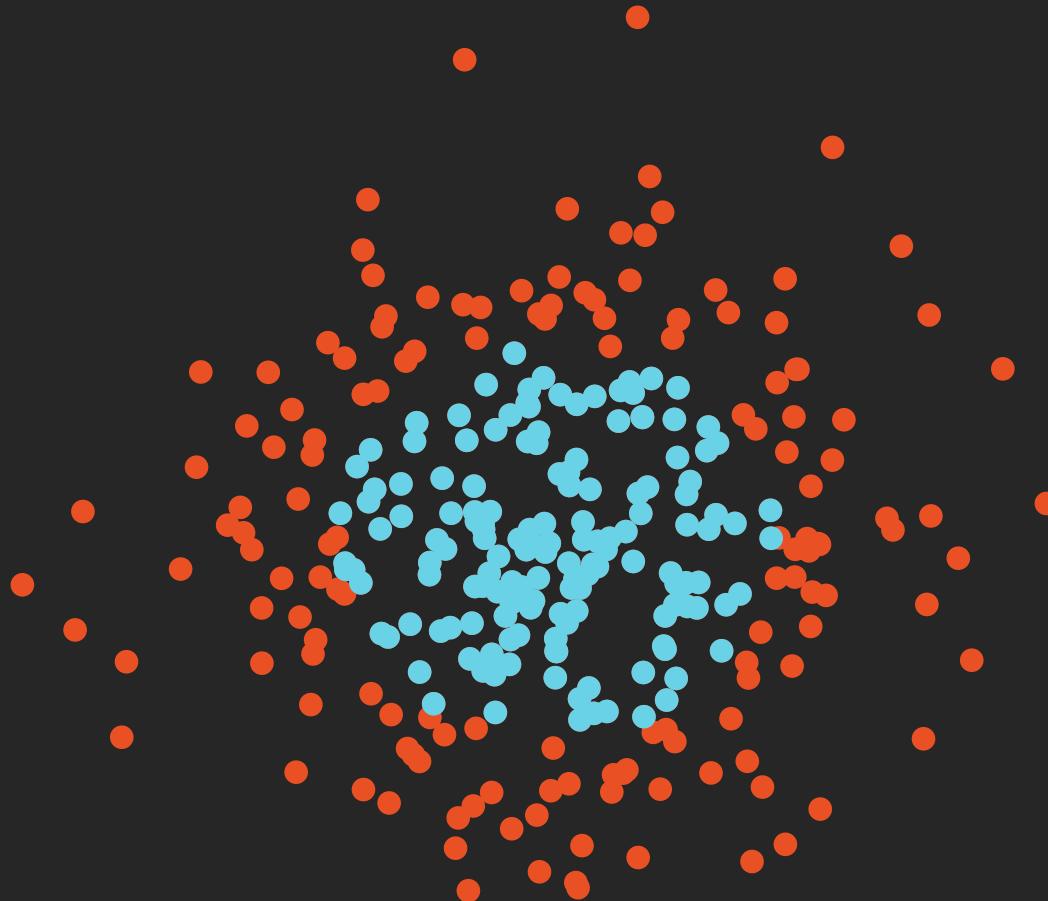
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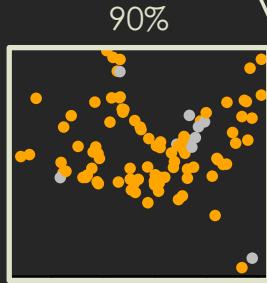
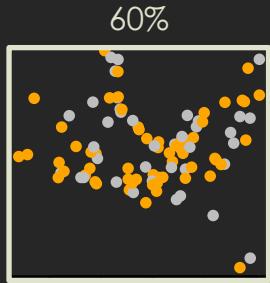
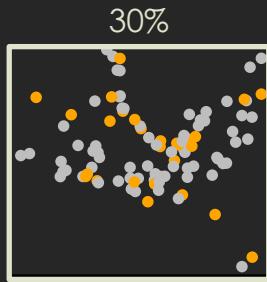
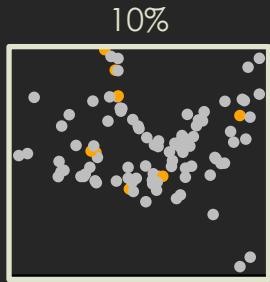


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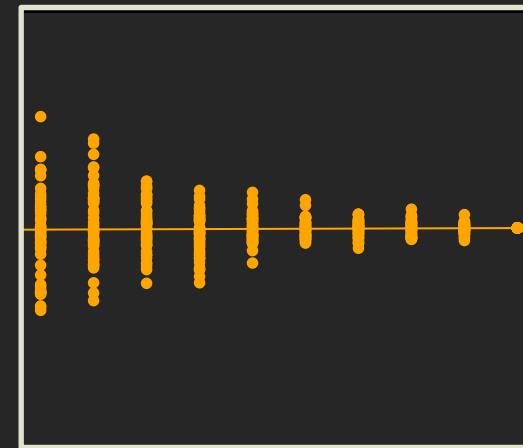


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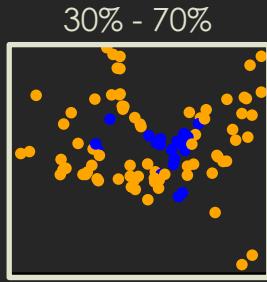
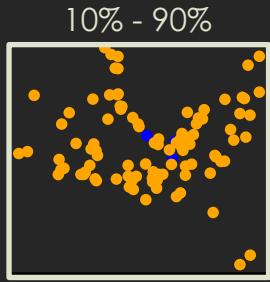


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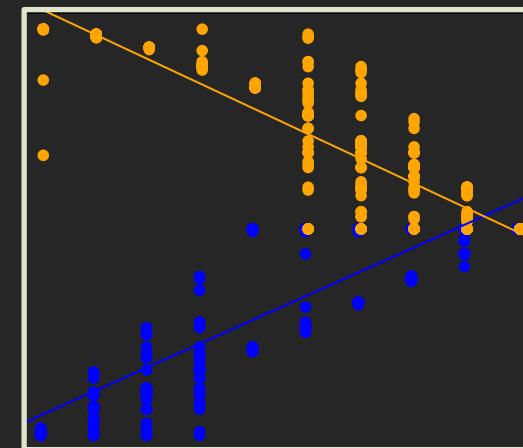
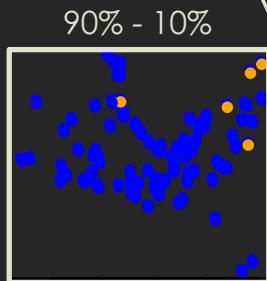
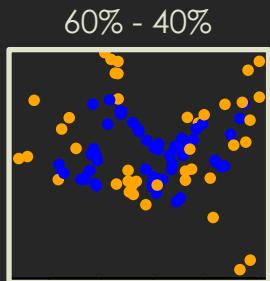


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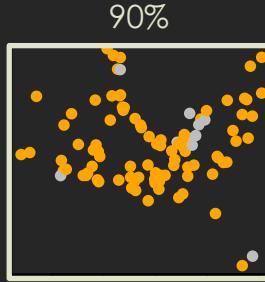
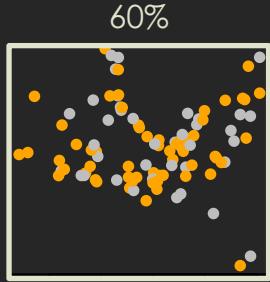
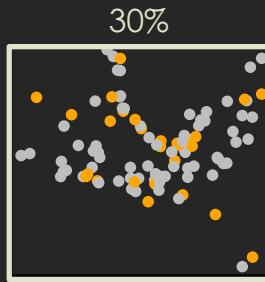
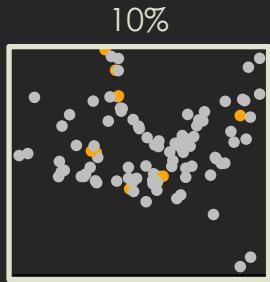


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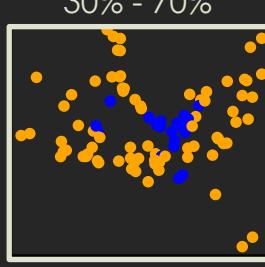
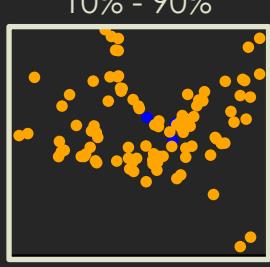


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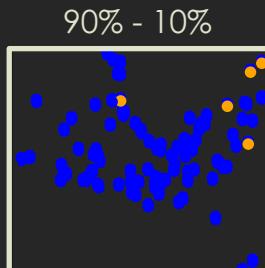
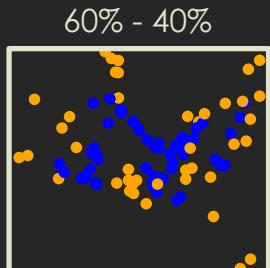


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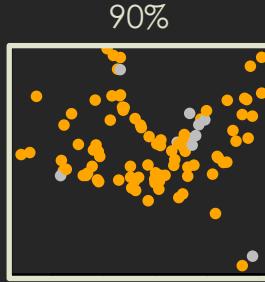
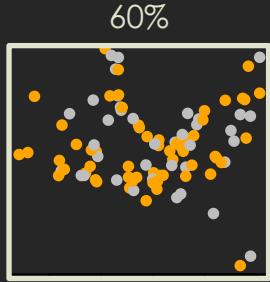
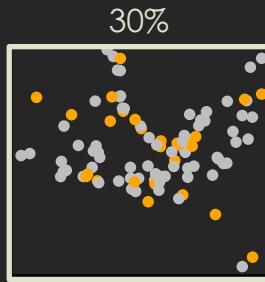
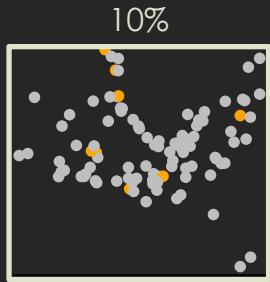


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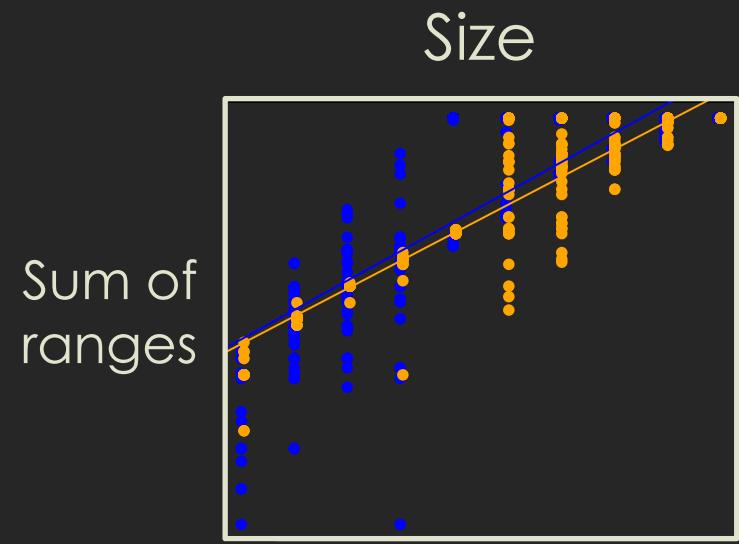
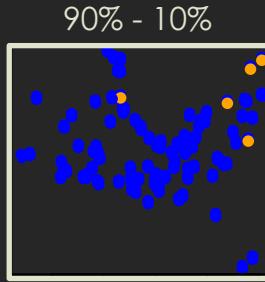
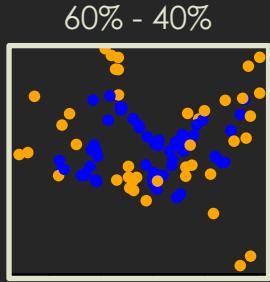
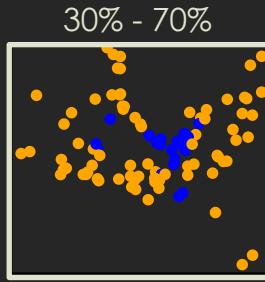
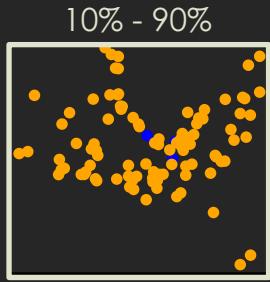


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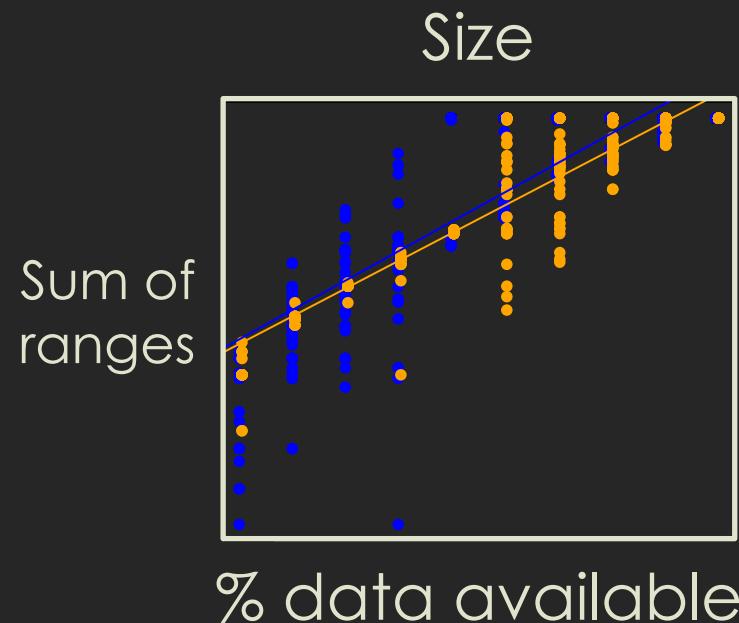
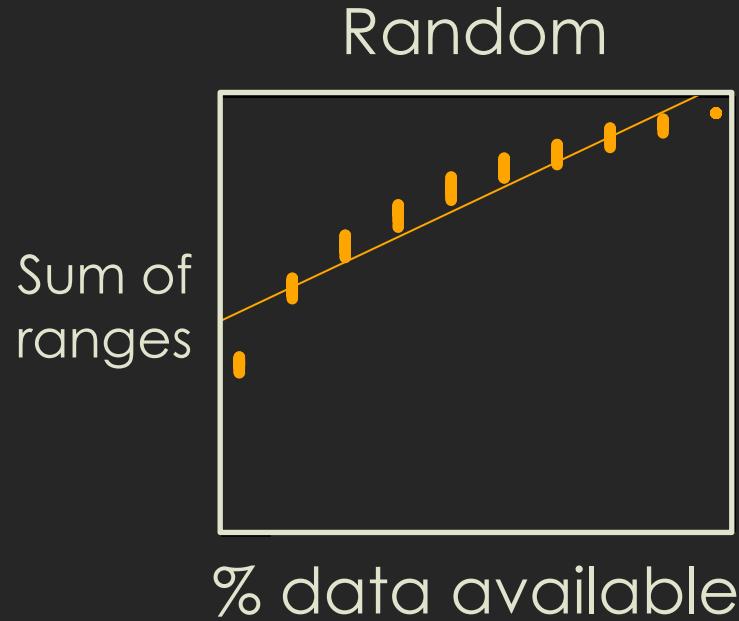
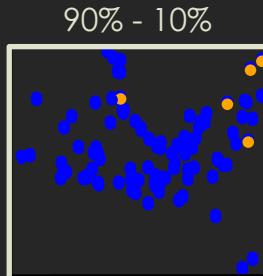
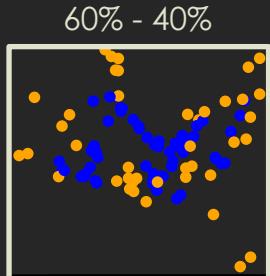
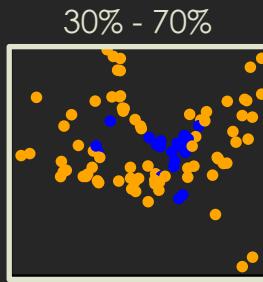
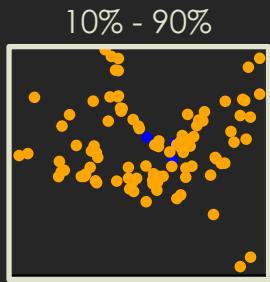
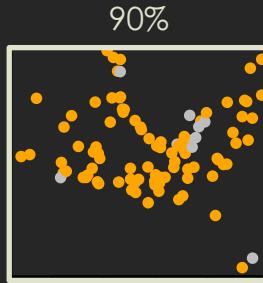
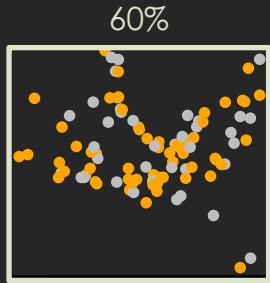
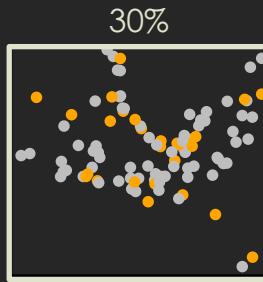
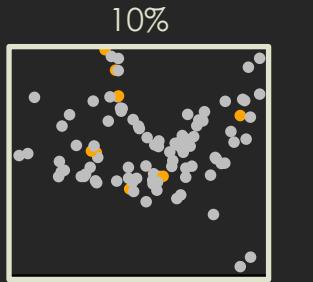
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moms: measuring
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multidimensional space

github.com/TGuillermo/moms

moms: Measuring Occupancy in Multidimensional Spaces

Guillerme T, Puttick M, Marcy A, and Weisbecker V (2019). Moms: an exploratory tool for multidimensional space analyses. Some journal. doi: some DOI .

USER MANUAL

Multidimensional space parameters

Select the type of space to use:

Input

Select a multidimensional matrix in csv format.

Browse...

trait_space_full.csv

Upload complete

Upload your own multidimensional matrix! The matrix must be in .csv format, with numeric values no NAs.

Space modification

Limit

Proportion to remove:

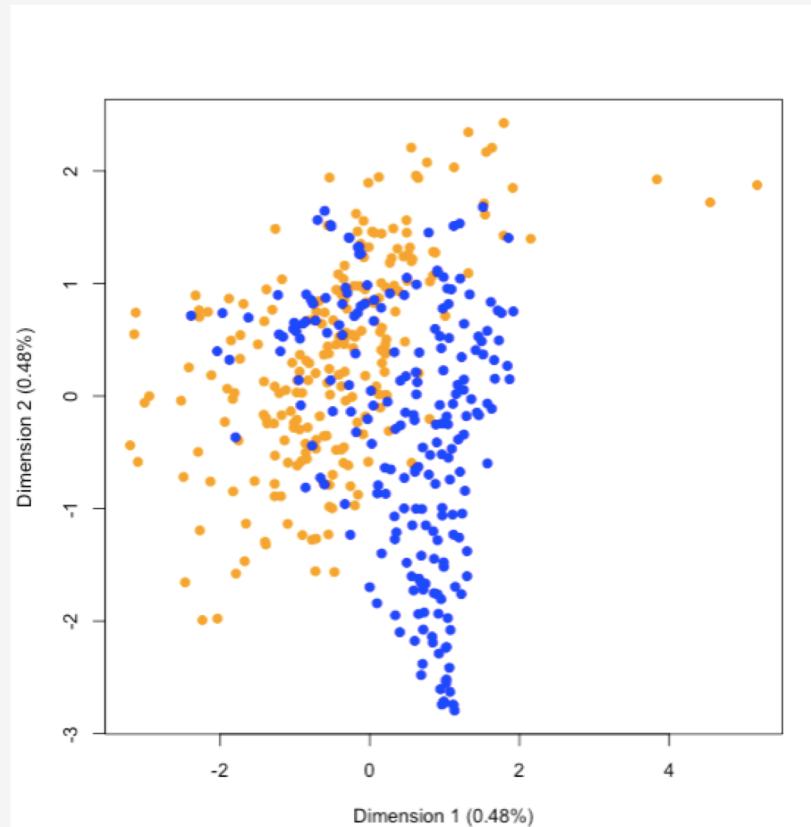
0.1

0.5

0.9



Inverse removal



Multidimensional space occupancy (disparity):

n	Sum of variances	change
443	264.30	
221	259.90	-1.66 %

Space occupancy metric (disparity)

Metric type

Volume

Volume metric

Sum of variances

Show metric code

You can find more informations about the metric types in the [dispRity manual](#).

Display

Horizontal axis

1

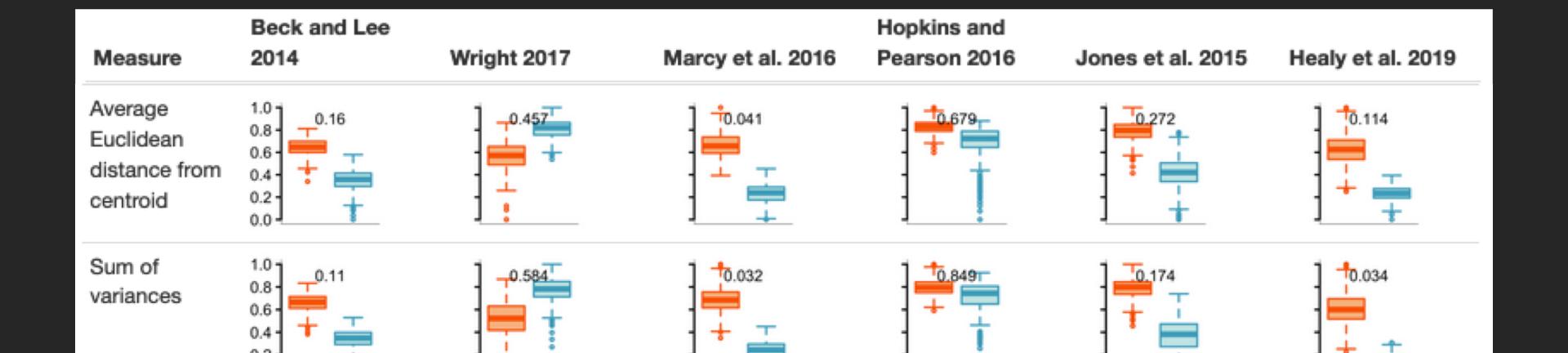
Vertical axis

2

Colours

Contrast

Axis with the same scale



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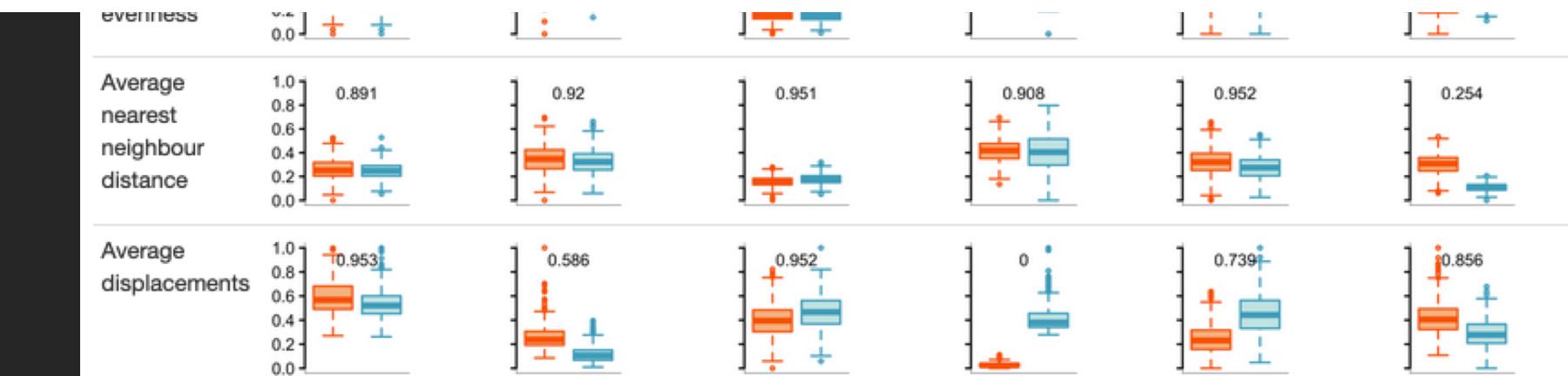
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BUT also:

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But maybe we need a
process based approach?

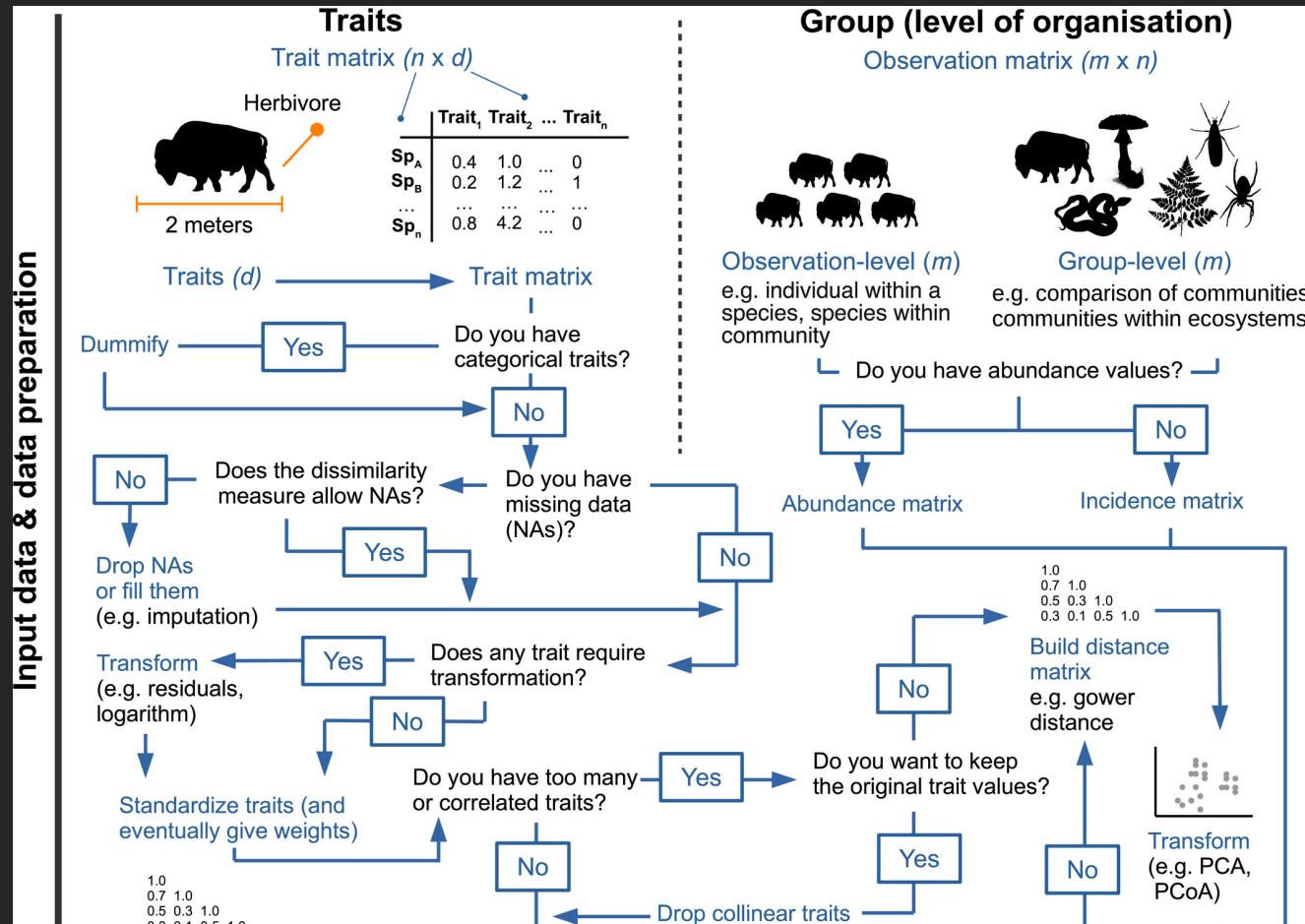
Concepts and applications in functional diversity

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Different data and different
questions coming
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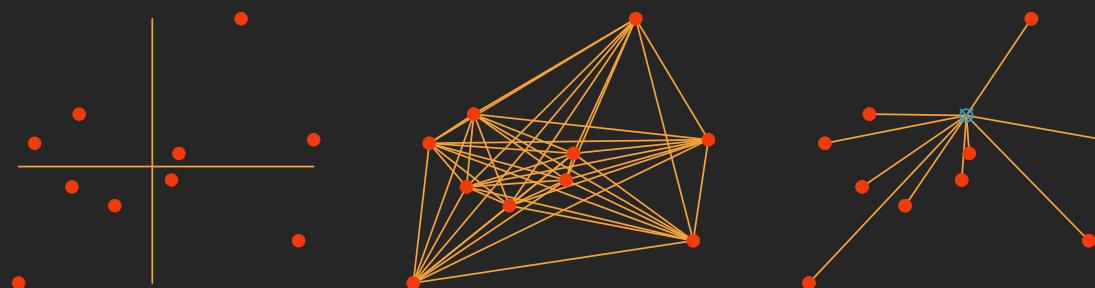
Thanks!



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github.com/cardosopmb/BAT



Guillerme 2018 – *Methods in Ecology and Evolution*

Guillerme et al. 2020 – *Ecology and evolution*

Mammola et al. 2021 – *Functional ecology*

