
AGHmatrix Tutorial

R package to compute relationship matrices for diploid and
autotetraploid species

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1 Overview

AGHmatrix software is an R-package under development which builds relationship matrices based on pedigree (A matrix) and/or molecular markers (G matrix), and in the future with the possibility to build a combined matrix of Pedigree corrected by Molecular (H matrix). The package also works with Diploid and Autotetraploid Data and was firstly developed for the study of [Amadeu *et al.* \(2016\)](#).

For the pedigree diploid data, it uses the method proposed by [Henderson \(1976\)](#), described in [Mrode \(2014\)](#), and it can build additive and dominance relationship matrices.

For the pedigree autotetraploid data, it uses the method proposed [Kerr *et al.* \(2012\)](#) and described in [Slater *et al.* \(2014\)](#), and it can build additive relationship matrices.

For the molecular diploid data, it can uses two methods for additive relationship matrices - described in [Yang *et al.* \(2010\)](#) or [VanRaden \(2008\)](#) - and two methods for dominance relationship matrices - described in [Su *et al.* \(2012\)](#) or [Vitezica *et al.* \(2013\)](#).

For the molecular autotetraploid data, it is not implemented/developed yet.

The combined matrix H is not implemented/developed yet.

The user can build covariance matrices due to epistatis using Hadamard products (as in [Muñoz *et al.* \(2014\)](#))

1.1 Citation

How to cite this software:

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1.2 About R

R (R Core Team 2016) is a free programming language widely used in statistical computing. To download R, please visit the Comprehensive R Archive Network (<http://cran.r-project.org>). An alternative is to install the RStudio software which is a more intuitive way to use R. To download it, please go to (<https://www.rstudio.com/products/RStudio/>).

For a quick start, we recommend to follow:

- Our Introduction to R tutorial available at <http://augusto-garcia.github.io/statgen-esalq/Introduction-to-R/>.
- Our R Introduction presentation available at <http://augusto-garcia.github.io/R-Introduction/>.
- "Introduction to R" section in "OneMap Tutorial" available at <http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/onemap/index.html> for a quick introduction.
- "Verzani's simpleR — Using R for Introductory Statistics" available at <http://cran.r-project.org/doc/contrib/Verzani-SimpleR.pdf> for a deeper introduction.

1.3 Installing the package

After you have R installed in your machine, you can install the AGHmatrix package.

Within R, you need to install and load the package devtools:

```
install.packages("devtools")
library(devtools)
```

This will allow you to automatically build and install packages from github platform. If you use Windows, first install Rtools package [Rtools](#). On a Mac, you will need Xcode (available on the App Store). On Linux, you are good to go.

Then, to install AGHmatrix from github:

```
install_github("prmunoz/AGHmatrix")
```

1.4 Loading AGHmatrix package

To load the package type:

```
library(AGHmatrix)
```

The package should be available in your R package active list.

2 Building relationship matrices

2.1 Relationship matrices with pedigree data - A matrix

In this section is presented how to load the data and how to construct the pedigree-based relationship matrix for diploid and autotetraploid species. In the package, the function `Amatrix` is the one which handle pedigree and build its relationship matrix. The matrix is performed according with a recursive method as presented in Mrode (2005) and described by Henderson (1976). This method is expanded for n-ploidy according with Kerr *et al.* (2012) described in Slater *et al.* (2014).

In the algorithm, first occurs the preprocessing of the data. To the preprocessing of the pedigree, first, the individuals are numerated 1 to , where is the total individuals of the pedigree data. Then, it is verified if they are chronological sorted (i.e., if the parents of a given individual n are located before it in the list). If not, the algorithm performs the necessary permutes. After preprocessing, occurs the matrix computation as presented in Mrode (2014) for diploid - for additive or dominance relationship - and Slater *et al.* (2014) for autotetraploidy - for additive relationship.

After load the package you have to load your data file. To do it, you can use the function `read.data()` or `read.csv()` for example. Your data should be available in R as a dataframe where column 1 should be the individual names (id), column 2 and 3 should be the parent names. In the package there is a pedigree data example. To look it, type:

```
data(ped.mrode)
ped.mrode
class(ped.mrode)
```

The example `ped.mrode` (above) has 3 columns, where column 1 is the individual names, column 2 is the parental 1 names, column 3 is the parental 2 names. There is no header and the unknown value default is 0. Your data has to be in the same format of `ped.mrode`. To build the relationship matrix you need to type the function with the following arguments: `data`, `ploidy`, `double reduction`, `unknown values` and, if you want dominance relationship. For example, if ploidy equals to 2 and unknown value equals 0 is calculated as presented in Mrode (2014), Chapter2, with the following code:

```
# For additive relationship matrix
Amatrix(data=ped.mrode,ploidy=2,unk=0)
```

```
# For dominance relationship matrix
Amatrix(data=ped.mrode,ploidy=2,unk=0,dominance=TRUE)
```

If ploidy equals to 4 and double reduction equals to 10% is calculated as presented in Slater *et al.* (2014) with the following code:

```
# For additive relationship matrix
Amatrix(data=ped.mrode,ploidy=4,w=0.1,unk=0)
```

If you want to save your matrix in an object, you can use the following code:

```
MyMatrix <- Amatrix(data=ped.mrode,ploidy=4,w=0.1,unk=0)
```

More information about the Amatrix function you can have typing:

```
?Amatrix
```

2.2 Relationship matrices with molecular data - G Matrix

In this section is presented how to load the data and how to construct the genomic-based relationship matrix for diploid species. In the package, the function Gmatrix is the one which handle molecular-markers matrix and build its relationship matrix. To build the relationship matrix based on markers, your data should be organized in a matrix format (individual x marks) coded as 0,1,2 and missing data value. Your data can be easily loaded in R with the function read.table() and converted with as.matrix() function. The function Gmatrix can construct the additive relationship matrix proposed by Yang *et al.* (2010) or the one proposed by VanRaden (2008). The function can also construct the dominance relationship matrix proposed by Su *et al.* (2012) or Vitezica *et al.* (2013). As an example, here we build the four matrices using real data from Resende *et al.* (2012) (snp.pine, which is part of this R package).

```
#loading the data example
data(snp.pine)

#verifying the data class, must be matrix
class(snp.pine)

#looking the first 3x3 square of the matrix
#snp.table missing values is coded as -9.
#individuals on rows and marks on columns.
snp.pine[1:3,1:3]
```

```
#building the additive relationship matrix based upon VanRaden 2008
G.VanRaden <- Gmatrix(SNPmatrix=snp.pine,
                      missingValue=-9, maf=0.05, method="VanRaden")

#building the additive relationship matrix based upon Yang 2010
G.Yang <- Gmatrix(SNPmatrix=snp.pine,
                  missingValue=-9, maf=0.05, method="Yang")

#building the dominance relationship matrix based upon Su 2012
G.Yang <- Gmatrix(SNPmatrix=snp.pine,
                  missingValue=-9, maf=0.05, method="Su")

#building the dominance relationship matrix based upon Vitezica 2013
G.Yang <- Gmatrix(SNPmatrix=snp.pine,
                  missingValue=-9, maf=0.05, method="Vitezica")
```

More information about the Gmatrix function you can have typing:

```
?Gmatrix
```

2.3 Covariance matrices due to epistatic terms

Here we present how to easily compute the epistatic relationship matrices using Hadamard products (cell-by-cell product), denoted by \circ , for more information please see [Muñoz *et al.* \(2014\)](#). In this example we are using the molecular-based relationship matrix. First, build the additive and dominance matrices:

```
A<- Gmatrix(SNPmatrix=snp.pine,
             method="VanRaden",missingValue=-9,maf=0.05)
D <- Gmatrix(SNPmatrix=snp.pine,
             ,method="Vitezica",missingValue=-9,maf=0.05)
```

For the first degree epistatic terms:

```
#Additive-by-Additive Interactions
A_A <- A*A
#Dominance-by-Additive Interactions
D_A <- D*A
#Dominance-by-Dominance Interactions
D_D <- D*D
```

For the seconde degree epistatic terms:

```
#Additive-by-Additive-by-Additive Interactions
A_A_A <- A*A*A
#Additive-by-Additive-by-Dominance Interactions
A_A_D <- A*A*D
#Additive-by-Dominance-by-Dominance Interactions
A_D_D <- A*D*D
#Dominance-by-Dominance-by-Dominance Interactions
D_D_D <- D*D*D
```

3 Exporting your data as ASREML - csv format

In this section, we present how to use the function `formatmatrix` in order to export a matrix to a compatible ASREML - standalone - format (csv file with 3 columns). In order to do it, we need to build a matrix, its inverse, and export it using `formatmatrix` function. This function has as options: `round.by`, which sets the number of decimals you want, `exclude.0`, if TRUE, remove all the zeros from your data, name what will be the name of your file. Use the default if in doubt.

Below, an example of how to do it:

```
#setting the number of digits to display in R for 12
options(digits=12)

#loading the data example
data(ped.mrode)

#building the matrix
A<-Amatrix(data=ped.mrode, ploidy=4, w=0.1, unk=0)

#build the inverse
Ainv<-solve(A)

#exporting it. The function "formatmatrix" will convert
#the matrix in a 3-column table.
formatmatrix(Ainv, round.by=12, exclude.0=TRUE, name="Ainv0.1")
```

This script will create the following csv file presented in Figure 2.

```

1 1 1.637744439469
2 1 0.431034482759
2 2 1.784510584935
3 1 -0.862068965517
3 2 -0.862068965517
3 3 2.158542796369
4 1 -0.595238095238
4 3 0.434404865334
4 4 1.624881055811
5 2 0.444385193085
5 3 -0.868809730669
5 4 -0.868809730669
5 5 2.182004654423
6 2 -0.888770386171
6 5 -0.888770386171
6 6 1.777540772341

```

Figure 1: csv file representing an inversed A matrix from ped.mrode data with $w=0.1$. The first 2 columns represent rows and columns of the matrix, the third column represents the value. All the rows with value equal to 0 it was excluded from the file.

3.1 Making a loop in order to get several matrices

In this section, we present a simple for function for the user be able to get in a practical way several matrices for different double reduction values to later be used in ASREML (for example). In R:

```

#setting the number of digits to display in R for 12
options(digits=12)

#loading the data example
data(ped.mrode)

#determining your double reduction range
double.red<-seq(0,0.2,0.05)

#extracting the length of double.red
n<-length(double.red)

#Looping it
for(i in 1:n){
  A<-Amatrix(data=ped.mrode,

```



```

        ploidy=4,
        w=double.red[i],
        unk=0)
#making the inverse
A.inv<-solve(A)
#exporting as csv
formatmatrix(data=A.inv,
              name=paste("Ainv_",double.red[i],sep=""),
              round.by=12,
              exclude.0=TRUE)
}

```

At the end, it writes 5 files represents 5 matrices (with double-reduction proportion of 0, 0.05, 0.1, 0.15, and 0.2). These matrices will be in a 3 column-way format as in Figure 2.

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