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Recap: Genomic Selection stands for the procedure where in addition to the previously available data (observations and pedigree) used for traditional prediction of breeding values, information on many loci across the whole genome is used to select candidates as parents for future generations.



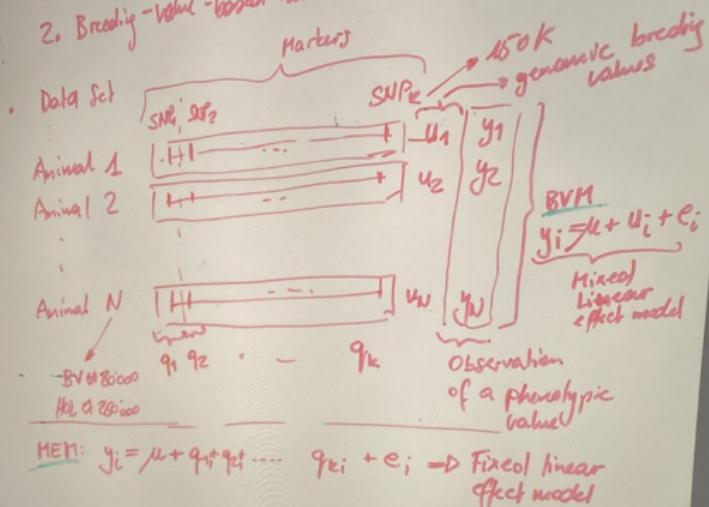
Predictions of breeding values

- Genomic Prediction of breeding value
- Observations of phenotypic traits
 - Pedigree
 - SNP - Marker information
- } traditional

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- Changes related to prediction of genomic breeding values
 - replace the infinitesimal model by the polygenic model

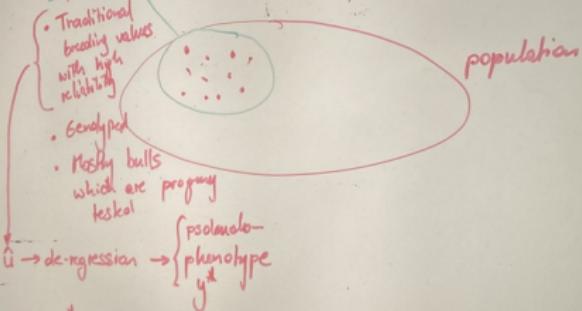
- Two statistical models that can be used
 1. Marker effect model (MEM)
 2. Breeding-value-based model (BVM)



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- With respect to parameter estimation, there are two possible approaches:
1. Two-step approach (cattle)
 2. Single-step (Pigs, cattle moving towards)

Two-Step (mostly done with MEH)
Step 1: Estimation of marker-effects in a so called reference population



$$\text{MEH: } y^* = \mu + q_1 + q_2 + \dots + q_k + E$$

using fixed linear effect model.

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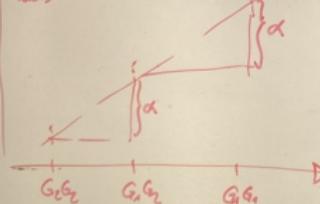
Data Set for MEM:

Animal	SNP ₁	SNP ₂	---	SNP _c	y
1	G ₁ G ₂	H ₁ H ₂		I ₁ I ₁	y_1
2	G ₂ G ₂	H ₁ H ₁		I ₂ I ₂	
:	:	:		:	
N	G ₁ G ₁	H ₁ H ₂		I ₁ I ₁	



Quantitative Genetics

genotypic values



	V_{ij}
G ₁ G ₁	a
G ₁ G ₂	d
G ₂ G ₂	- q

In MEM, we assume $d=0$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha = a$

MEM for animal 1:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= \mu + 0 \cdot q_1 + 0 \cdot q_2 + \dots + 1 \cdot q_k + \epsilon_1 \\ y_2 &= \mu + (-1)q_1 + 1 \cdot q_2 + \dots + (-1) \cdot q_k + \epsilon_2 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} q_i \text{ is the} \\ \text{genotypic value} \\ \text{of SNP } j \end{array} \right\}$$

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With respect to estimating marker effects using fixed linear effect models, Least Squares cannot be used because $N \ll k$ where N is the number of animals in the reference population (5000) and k is the number of SNP-positions.

Solutions:

1. LASSO: reduce number of SNPs and estimate marker effects.

2. Bayesian procedure

3. Mixed linear effect model!

$$y = \underbrace{\mathbf{X}\beta}_{\text{fixed}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{W}\eta}_{\text{random marker effects}} + \epsilon$$

MME: $\left[\begin{matrix} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} & \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{X} & \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I} \cdot \lambda \end{matrix} \right] \left[\begin{matrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{\eta} \end{matrix} \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} \mathbf{X}^T y \\ \mathbf{W}^T y \end{matrix} \right]$

$$\text{with } \lambda = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma_q^2}$$

$$\text{assume: } \text{Var}(\eta) = \mathbf{I} \cdot \bar{\sigma}_q^2$$

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Result of Step 1: Estimates \hat{q} for marker effects

Step 2: From estimates of marker effects, genomic breeding values are computed by summing up appropriate marker effects for each genotyped animal.

Animal 1: Genotype:

$$G_1G_2 \quad H_1H_2 \quad \dots \quad I_1I_1 \\ 0 \cdot \hat{q}_1 + 0 \cdot \hat{q}_2 + \dots + 1 \cdot \hat{q}_k = \hat{g}_1$$

Direct genomic breeding value for animal 1.

Animal 2: $G_2G_2 \quad H_1H_2 \quad \dots \quad I_2I_2$

$$(-1) \cdot \hat{q}_1 + 1 \cdot \hat{q}_2 + \dots + (-1) \cdot \hat{q}_k = \hat{g}_2$$

Animal N: ..

$$\hat{g}_v$$

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Big advantage of genomic selection:

! Skp2 can be done with any animal with
a genotype, not only for animals in the reference
population.

⇒ If a calf is born, hair sample is used to
extract DNA and to determine the genotype
at the SNP-Markers

Animal N+1: Genotype
 $G_1G_1 \quad H_1H_2 \quad \dots \quad I_1I_1$

Using marker effect estimates, the direct genomic breeding
value can be predicted!

Swiss Cattle:

- Marker effect estimation : 3 times per year
(Skp 1)
(April, August, December)

- Direct genomic breeding values : every 2 weeks
(Skp 2)

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Important Point to consider:

- High dependency on the date quality of the reference population.
- Genomic selection using the Two-Step procedure allows to make selection decisions very early in the live of an animal
 - the number of bull with progeny tests is reduced and the bulls with progeny test are pre-selected → reduces quality of marker effect estimates
- So far reference populations consisted only of male animals, but the large number of genotypes that are becoming available now are from female animals
- Animals without genotype information, receive traditional prod. PV
 - Some issues are addressed in SingleStep Method using BVM

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a Single Step using BVA

- Estimate/predict breeding values for animals in one evaluation.

- Linear Mixed Effect Models where the genomic breeding value is modelled as a random effect.

$$y = X\beta + Zg + e ; \quad E(e) = 0, \text{Var}(e) = I \cdot \sigma_e^2$$

$$E(g) = 0 \quad \text{var}(g) = G \cdot \sigma_g^2$$

where G is the genomic relationship matrix

- Solutions with MME
- Data set is the same as for the reference population in the Two-step approach.
⇒ all animals have observations (y) and genotype information.
- Young animals, they do not have observations, but they have genotype-information.

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Young Animals without Observations:		k	Observations
Animals	Genotypes		
1	G ₁ G ₂	I ₁ I ₂	y ₁
2	G ₁ G ₂	I ₁ I ₁	y ₂
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young animals	N N ₁ N ₁₂ N ₂ N ₁₁	I ₁ I ₁ I ₂ I ₂ I ₁ I ₂	y _N

• Model:

$$y = X\beta + Zg + e$$

- vector g contains genomic breeding values for all animals. It can be partitioned into two parts

$$g = \begin{bmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } g_1: \text{animals with observations}$$

- $g_2: \text{young animals without observations}$

- variance-covariance matrix

$$\text{var}(g) = G \cdot \sigma_g^2 \Rightarrow \text{var}\begin{bmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ G_{21} & G_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \sigma_g^2$$

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For NHE, G^{-1} is required which can be partitioned accordingly. Assuming

$$\text{var}[g_1] = \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ G_{21} & G_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{f}_g^2$$

$$\Rightarrow G = \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ G_{21} & G_{22} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow G^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} G^{(11)} & G^{(12)} \\ G^{(21)} & G^{(22)} \end{bmatrix}$$

three times per year \rightarrow NHE:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X^T X & X^T Y & 0 \\ Z^T X & Z^T Y + G^{(11)} \cdot \hat{\beta} & G^{(12)} \cdot \hat{\beta} \\ 0 & 2 \cdot G^{(21)} & \lambda \cdot G^{(22)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{g}_1 \\ \hat{g}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X^T Y \\ 2 \cdot Z^T Y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

genomic breeding values for g_1 and g_2

even second week

$$\begin{cases} 0 \cdot \hat{\beta} + \lambda \cdot G^{(11)} \cdot \hat{g}_1 + \lambda \cdot G^{(22)} \cdot \hat{g}_2 = 0 \\ G^{(22)} \cdot \hat{g}_1 + G^{(12)} \cdot \hat{g}_2 = 0 \\ G^{(12)} \cdot \hat{g}_1 = -G^{(22)} \cdot \hat{g}_2 \\ \hat{g}_2 = -[G^{(22)}]^{-1} \cdot G^{(12)} \cdot \hat{g}_1 \end{cases}$$

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Genomic Relationship Matrix (G)

□ Variance-Covariance Matrix of genomic breeding values (\bar{g})

$$\text{var}(\bar{g}) = G \cdot \sigma_g^2$$

□ Properties of genomic breeding values (\bar{g})

- linear combinations of marker effects \bar{g}
- deviations $\Rightarrow E(\bar{g}) = 0$
- G should be similar to A
 - \Rightarrow diagonal elements should be dominant
 - \Rightarrow high off-diagonal elements only for animals with ^{close} ~~high~~ relationships

□ Genetic background

* A is based on identity by descent

* G is additionally also considering identity by state relationships

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- Genomic Breeding values g are a linear combination of marker effects q_i , i.e.,

$$g = U \cdot q$$

- Determine U :

$$\cdot E(g) = 0$$

- Equivalence between HEM and BUM

$$y_i = \mu + \underbrace{w_i^T \cdot q}_{\text{Marker effect}} + e_i \quad (\text{HEM})$$

$$y_i = \mu + \underbrace{g_i}_{\text{Marker effect}} + e_i \quad (\text{BUM})$$

- Because $g_i = w_i^T \cdot q$

$$\text{with } E[g_i] = 0 \Rightarrow E[w_i^T \cdot q] = q E[w_i]$$

Marker effect

with random variable w_i encoding the genotype

$$w_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with probability } p^2 \quad (\leftrightarrow G_1 G_1) \\ 0 & \\ -1 & \end{cases}$$

$$E[w_i] = 2p - 1 \neq 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} 2pq & G_1 G_2 \\ q^2 & G_2 G_2 \end{matrix}$$

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a correction: Set

$$g_i = (w_i^T - s_i^T) \cdot q \quad \text{where } s_i = 2p - 1$$

with p being the allele frequency of the positive allele

Matrix-Vector:

$$g = U \cdot q = (W - S)q \quad \text{with that } E(g) = 0$$

- Requirement 2: $\text{var}(g) = G \cdot \bar{v}_g^2$

- $\bar{v}_g^2 = \bar{v}_g^2 \cdot \sum_{j=1}^k (1 - 2p_j(1-p_j))$

Marker-Effect variance

- Together with $g = U \cdot q$

$$\text{var}(g) = U \cdot \underbrace{\text{var}(q)}_{I \bar{v}_q^2} \cdot U^T = UU^T \bar{v}_q^2$$

$I \bar{v}_q^2$ (see ITEM)

$$\rightarrow \text{var}(g) = UU^T \bar{v}_q^2 = G \cdot \bar{v}_g^2 \cdot \sum_{j=1}^k (1 - 2p_j(1-p_j))$$

$$\rightarrow G = \frac{UU^T}{\sum_{j=1}^k (1 - 2p_j(1-p_j))}$$