

# Correction for Kulbaba *et al.* (2019)

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## 1 Abstract

In our paper, Kulbaba *et al.* (2019), we used aster analyses of records of components of fitness for three populations of *Chamaecrista fasciculata*, each grown in its home location in three years. It is not feasible to obtain every fruit before it dehisces and releases its seeds. For this reason and also because, in this and many other species, fruits may be numerous, it is common practice to obtain seed counts from a subset of fruits. Aster methodology can account for such subsampling of a fitness node, and our aster models did so. The error arose in the process of obtaining estimates of mean fitness and additive genetic variance for fitness. Specifically, the proportion of fruits sampled to obtain seed counts was correctly included in the aster models, but the code to obtain estimates from these models did not account for the subsampling to scale up to the total number of seeds individuals produced. This document presents reanalyses correcting this error by implementing calculations described by Shaw *et al.* (2008b), Section 8 of Shaw *et al.* (2008a), and the Supplementary Material of Stanton-Geddes *et al.* (2012). Our reanalysis shows that the error did not affect the major qualitative conclusions, though numerical values differ. Unrelated to the matter of subsampling, we here also shift from treating “block” as a fixed factor to treating it as random. Either choice is justifiable; particularly because of the nonlinearity of parameterizations of generalized linear models and aster models, the choice to treat blocks as random simplifies interpretation.

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## 3 R

- The version of R used to make this document is 4.2.1.
- The version of the `rmarkdown` package used to make this document is 2.15.
- The version of the `bookdown` package used to make this document is 0.28.
- The version of the `aster` package used to make this document is 1.1.2.
- The version of the `numDeriv` package used to make this document is 2016.8.1.1.

- The version of the **kableExtra** package used to make this document is 1.3.4.

As far as we know, any fairly recent version of R or these packages will do for processing this Rmarkdown document. We are not using cutting edge features.

Attach packages.

```
library("aster")
library("numDeriv")
library("kableExtra")
```

## 4 Data

The data files are

```
gcdata.csv
kwdata.csv
csdata.csv
```

for

- Grey Cloud Dunes Scientific and Natural Area
- Kellogg-Weaver Dunes, also called McCarthy Lake, and
- Conard Environmental Research Area (CERA),

respectively. For more details Kulbaba *et al.* (2019).

These data files were downloaded from the GitHub repository <https://github.com/mason-kulbaba/adaptive-capacity> which contains the code and data for the analysis of the original paper. So we are using the same data but doing a different analysis.

## 5 Introduction

We do aster (Shaw *et al.* (2008b), Geyer *et al.* (2013)) analyses for an aster model with graph

$$1 \xrightarrow{\text{Ber}} \text{Germ} \xrightarrow{\text{Ber}} \text{flw} \xrightarrow{\text{Poi}} \text{total.pods} \xrightarrow{\text{samp}} \text{total.pods.collected} \xrightarrow{\text{Poi}} \text{totalseeds}$$

where the variables are

- **Germ** is germination indicator (0 = no, 1 = yes), conditionally Bernoulli.
- **flw** is survival to flowering (0 = no, 1 = yes), conditionally Bernoulli.
- **total.pods** is total number of pods produced, conditionally Poisson.
- **total.pods.collected** is number of pods collected, conditionally Bernoulli (i.e. each pod may be collected or not). The arrow leading to this node is a subsampling arrow. The number of pods collected is a random sample of the pods produced.
- **totalseeds** is total number of seeds counted from collected pods, conditionally Poisson.

As always with aster models, the name of the distribution for an arrow is the name of the conditional distribution of the successor variable given the predecessor variable.

Set graphical model description in R.

```
vars <- c("Germ", "flw", "total.pods", "total.pods.collected", "totalseeds")
pred <- c(0, 1, 2, 3, 4)
fam <- c(1, 1, 2, 1, 2)
```

## 6 Example Analysis

### 6.1 Determine Data to Analyze

We start by doing one example, but we do it in such a way that code can be reused for all analyses. The following two variables determine (entirely) the analysis to be done.

```
mydata <- "gcdata.csv"
myyear <- 2015
```

### 6.2 Read Data

Read in data.

```
dat <- read.csv(mydata)
```

### 6.3 Remove Parental ID Zero

Parental ID Zero is “unknown” and hence should be removed from these analyses.

```
zeros <- dat$paternalID == 0 | dat$maternalID == 0
dat <- dat[! zeros, ]
```

### 6.4 Make Factor Variables

Show types of variables.

```
sapply(dat, class)
```

```
##           positionID           maternalID           paternalID
##           "integer"           "integer"           "integer"
##           position           row           block
##           "numeric"           "integer"           "character"
##           Germ           flw           total.pods
##           "integer"           "integer"           "integer"
## total.pods.collected totalseeds           cohort
##           "integer"           "integer"           "character"
##           year           seedpool
##           "integer"           "logical"
```

Some of these variables need to be factor.

```
dat <- transform(dat,
  maternalID = as.factor(maternalID),
  paternalID = as.factor(paternalID),
  block = as.factor(block))
```

### 6.5 Fix Data

Check subsampling is correct, i.e. that the number of pods sampled from a given plant is not greater than the total number of pods it was recorded to have produced.

```
oopsie <- with(dat, total.pods.collected > total.pods)
```

The following should say FALSE.

```
any(oopsie)
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

For this example, there is a problem to fix.

```
if (any(oopsie))
  dat[oopsie, ]
```

```
##      positionID maternalID paternalID position row block Germ flw total.pods
## 5966      4308      177      138      23 602    6B    1    1            1
##      total.pods.collected totalseeds      cohort year seedpool
## 5966                      6          0 greenhouse 2016      NA
```

So this data error has to be corrected: we assume `total.pods` is correct and equal to `total.pods.collected` for these rows of the data.

```
if (any(oopsie))
  dat[oopsie, "total.pods.collected"] <- dat[oopsie, "total.pods"]
```

## 6.6 Subset Data

Subset the data to get one part we want to analyze separately. Other parts are analyzed in the same way. Divide into year-specific files.

```
subdat <- subset(dat, year == myyear & cohort == "greenhouse")
```

Show that we did the subset correctly.

```
unique(subdat$year)
```

```
## [1] 2015
```

Drop unused levels.

```
subdat <- droplevels(subdat)
```

## 6.7 Reshape Data

Reshape data the way R function `aster` wants it.

```
redata <- reshape(subdat, varying = list(vars), direction = "long",
  timevar = "varb", times = as.factor(vars), v.names = "resp")
```

Add indicator variable `fit` to indicate “fitness” nodes (in these data just one node). Also add `root` (in these data always equal to 1).

```
redata <- transform(redata,
  fit = as.numeric(grepl("totalseeds", as.character(varb))),
  root = 1)
```

## 6.8 Random Effect Aster Model

In our preliminary analyses that modeled sire and dam effects separately, we found their components of variance to be comparable in magnitude. This is evidence that there are negligible contributions of dominance and maternal effects to resemblance of sibs. It is thus valid to estimate a single common variance for the nuclear genetic contributions of sires and of dams to offspring fitness. In order to have the same variance for the random effects for sires and dams we do the following.

```
modmat.sire <- model.matrix(~ 0 + fit:paternalID, redata)
modmat.dam <- model.matrix(~ 0 + fit:maternalID, redata)
head(colnames(modmat.sire))
```

```
## [1] "fit:paternalID1" "fit:paternalID6" "fit:paternalID8" "fit:paternalID15"
```

```
## [5] "fit:paternalID16" "fit:paternalID28"
head(colnames(modmat.dam))

## [1] "fit:maternalID2" "fit:maternalID3" "fit:maternalID4" "fit:maternalID7"
## [5] "fit:maternalID10" "fit:maternalID11"

modmat.siredam <- cbind(modmat.sire, modmat.dam)
```

Then we can fit the model.

```
rou <- reaster(resp ~ fit + varb,
  list(parental=~0 + modmat.siredam, block = ~ 0 + fit:block),
  pred, fam, varb, id, root, data = redata)
```

And show the results.

```
summary(rou)

##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -0.5611     0.1199  -4.680 2.87e-06 ***
## fit              2.3311     0.1239  18.817 < 2e-16 ***
## varbGerm        -1.7953     0.1897  -9.464 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods   1.9259     0.1379  13.967 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods.collected -5.3312     0.1640 -32.510 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental  0.09229    0.01014   9.098   <2e-16 ***
## block      0.01052    0.01105   0.952    0.17
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

## 7 Fit More Models for Same Data

The first thing we need to do is save our model fit so we do not clobber it with a new model fit. First make an empty list.

```
save.rou <- list()
```

Then save the fit we have.

```
site.name <- substr(mydata, 1, 2)
fit.name <- paste0(site.name, myyear)
fit.name
```

```
## [1] "gc2015"
```

```
save.rout[[fit.name]] <- rout
```

Now we need to put stuff done above in a loop. In the chunk below, we reuse multiple code chunks above (this is not visible in the PDF output, you must look at the Rmd source file).

```
for (myyear in 2016:2017) {
  subdat <- subset(dat, year == myyear & cohort == "greenhouse")
  subdat <- droplevels(subdat)
  redata <- reshape(subdat, varying = list(vars), direction = "long",
    timevar = "varb", times = as.factor(vars), v.names = "resp")
  redata <- transform(redata,
    fit = as.numeric(grepl("totalseeds", as.character(varb))),
    root = 1)
  modmat.sire <- model.matrix(~ 0 + fit:paternalID, redata)
  modmat.dam <- model.matrix(~ 0 + fit:maternalID, redata)
  head(colnames(modmat.sire))
  head(colnames(modmat.dam))
  modmat.siredam <- cbind(modmat.sire, modmat.dam)
  rout <- reaster(resp ~ fit + varb,
    list(parental=~0 + modmat.siredam, block = ~ 0 + fit:block),
    pred, fam, varb, id, root, data = redata)
  site.name <- substr(mydata, 1, 2)
  fit.name <- paste0(site.name, myyear)
  fit.name
  save.rout[[fit.name]] <- rout
}
```

What have we got?

```
names(save.rout)
```

```
## [1] "gc2015" "gc2016" "gc2017"
```

## 8 Fit More Models for Different Data

Now that we have an analysis for one of the populations, we are ready to carry out the same analyses for the other populations. We need to analyze the data in the following files.

```
more.data <- c("kwdata.csv", "csdata.csv")
```

Now we need to do the same thing as in the preceding section, except more complicated because we need to wrap that in a loop that reads data from those files.

```
for (mydata in more.data) {
  dat <- read.csv(mydata)
  zeros <- dat$paternalID == 0 | dat$maternalID == 0
  dat <- dat[! zeros, ]
  dat <- transform(dat,
    maternalID = as.factor(maternalID),
    paternalID = as.factor(paternalID),
    block = as.factor(block))
  oopsie <- with(dat, total.pods.collected > total.pods)
  if (any(oopsie))
    dat[oopsie, "total.pods.collected"] <- dat[oopsie, "total.pods"]
  for (myyear in 2015:2017) {
    subdat <- subset(dat, year == myyear & cohort == "greenhouse")
```

```

subdat <- droplevels(subdat)
redata <- reshape(subdat, varying = list(vars), direction = "long",
  timevar = "varb", times = as.factor(vars), v.names = "resp")
redata <- transform(redata,
  fit = as.numeric(grepl("totalseeds", as.character(varb))),
  root = 1)
modmat.sire <- model.matrix(~ 0 + fit:paternalID, redata)
modmat.dam <- model.matrix(~ 0 + fit:maternalID, redata)
head(colnames(modmat.sire))
head(colnames(modmat.dam))
modmat.siredam <- cbind(modmat.sire, modmat.dam)
rout <- reaster(resp ~ fit + varb,
  list(parental=~0 + modmat.siredam, block = ~ 0 + fit:block),
  pred, fam, varb, id, root, data = redata)
site.name <- substr(mydata, 1, 2)
fit.name <- paste0(site.name, myyear)
fit.name
save.rout[[fit.name]] <- rout
}
}

```

## 9 Function to Map from Canonical to Mean Value Parameter

As with generalized linear models, aster models are linear on a scale (the canonical parameter scale) that is a nonlinear transformation from the scale of biological measurement. To complete our analysis, we convert our estimates from the canonical parameter scale back to the measurement scale (the mean value parameter scale). We use the map factory concept (use a function to make another function). This provides many benefits over defining the function we want directly. It allows us to embed information in the function we make with the factory. It allows us to easily remake the function whenever we need it. And the latter is important, because the map from the canonical parameter scale to the mean value parameter scale depends on the data we have fit. In particular, and in contrast to standard linear models, estimates of variance components here depend on the fixed effects.

```

map.factory <- function(rout, is.subsamp) {
  stopifnot(inherits(rout, "reaster"))
  stopifnot(is.logical(is.subsamp))
  aout <- rout$obj
  stopifnot(inherits(aout, "aster"))
  nnode <- ncol(aout$x)
  if(nnode != length(is.subsamp))
    stop("length(is.subsamp) not the number of nodes in the aster graph")
  alpha <- rout$alpha
  ifit <- which(names(alpha) == "fit")
  if (length(ifit) != 1)
    stop("no fixed effect named fit")
  # return map function
  function (b) {
    stopifnot(is.numeric(b))
    stopifnot(is.finite(b))
    stopifnot(length(b) == 1)
    alpha[ifit] <- alpha[ifit] + b
    xi <- predict(aout, newcoef = alpha,
      model.type = "conditional", is.always.parameter = TRUE)
  }
}

```



```

    xi <- matrix(xi, ncol = nnode)
    # always use drop = FALSE unless you are sure you don't want that
    # here if we omit drop = FALSE and there is only one non-subsampling
    # node, the code will break (apply will give an error)
    xi <- xi[, ! is.subsamp, drop = FALSE]
    mu <- apply(xi, 1, prod)
    # mu is unconditional mean values for model without subsampling
    # in this application all components mu are the same because no
    # covariates except varb, so just return only one
    mu[1]
  }
}

```

Here R function `map.factory` when invoked returns a function that maps from a possible value of a parental effect on the canonical parameter scale (what the model has) to the corresponding value on the mean value parameter scale. This depends on the model and the fixed effect parameters, which are taken from argument `rou`, and it corrects for subsampling, which is indicated by the argument `is.subsamp`. The specific line of code that corrects for subsampling is

```
xi <- xi[, ! is.subsamp, drop = FALSE]
```

This makes the result a function of conditional means of non-subsampling arrows only.

Note that we are ignoring blocks. This is the same as setting the block effect to zero. This is not the actual effect of any actual block. Rather, it is something like the population mean of the population of blocks. Specifically, we are setting the block effect to be the mean of the distribution that the model says block effects have (mean zero normal). We acknowledge that the blocks are not a simple random sample of some population of blocks, but this is not necessary for a random effects model to be appropriate. We are using a model with block as a random effect merely to simplify interpretation: otherwise we would have different estimates for each block. The use of the correction for subsampling does not depend on the decision of whether to treat blocks as fixed or random.

**Caution:** this function does not handle the case where more than one node of the graph contributes to `fit` nor does it check. It assumes we have a linear graph, which we do.

```
identical(pred, seq(along = pred) - 1)
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

If we did not have a linear graph, then correction for subsampling would be much more complicated ([appendix on that below](#)).

Invoke the function to construct an R function `map` that maps from canonical to mean value parameter values for these data. Also vectorize this function, which is useful in certain contexts.

```
map <- map.factory(rou, vars == "total.pods.collected")

mapv <- Vectorize(map)
```

Plot this function.

```
sigma.hat <- rou$sigma["parental"]
curve(mapv, from = -3 * sigma.hat, to = 3 * sigma.hat, log = "y")
```

We digress to note that this map indicates a very large range of fitness on the mean value parameter scale (Fig. 1). This may seem surprising, but it results from the nonlinearity of the relationship between the canonical parameter scale and the mean value parameter scale and follows the conventional logic of generalized linear mixed models (GLMM) (Stiratelli *et al.*, 1984) or aster models with random effects (Geyer *et al.*, 2013).

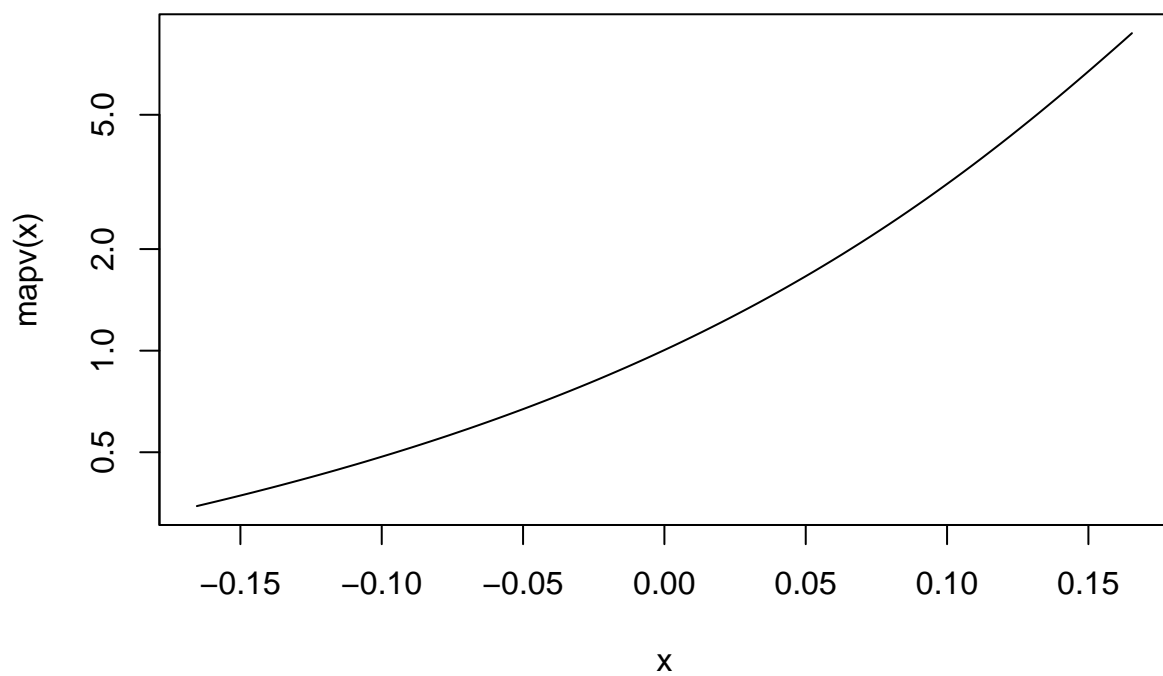


Figure 1: Map from parental random effect on the canonical parameter scale to the mean value parameter scale.

Admittedly, three standard deviations is a fairly extreme value for a normal random variable (happens with probability 0.0026998). Similar issues affect all GLMM and aster models with random effects.

## 10 Distribution of Breeding Value Estimates

R function `reaster` provides estimates of the “breeding values” (in scare quotes) on the canonical parameter scale. Of course, these are not precisely estimates, because breeding values are random effects rather than unknown parameters. So they are more analogous to BLUPS (best linear unbiased predictors) of breeding values in conventional quantitative genetics. Except they are not really that either due to the nonlinearity of the mapping from canonical to mean values shown above. If we replace BLUP by best median unbiased, then maybe we have some sort of analogy (because medians map to medians going through any monotone transformation).

Regardless, we map these quantities to the mean value parameter scale. Actually, rather than map all of the breeding values, we map a density estimate. We do this just for sire breeding values.

```
b <- rout$b
head(names(b))

## [1] "modmat.siredamfit:paternalID1" "modmat.siredamfit:paternalID8"
## [3] "modmat.siredamfit:paternalID15" "modmat.siredamfit:paternalID21"
## [5] "modmat.siredamfit:paternalID24" "modmat.siredamfit:paternalID25"

idx <- grep("paternal", names(b))
b <- b[idx]
```

Fix up names so not so verbose.

```
names(b) <- sub("modmat.siredamfit:", "", names(b))
```

Now a density plot.

```
foo <- density(b, bw = "SJ")

plot(foo, main = "", xlab = "b")
```

To move this density through a nonlinear one-to-one mapping, one must multiply by the derivative of the inverse mapping, which, by the inverse function theorem, is the same as dividing by the derivative of the mapping.

```
bar <- foo
bar$x <- mapv(foo$x)
bar$y <- foo$y / grad(mapv, foo$x)

plot(bar, main = "", xlab = "map(b)")
```

## 11 Distribution of Breeding Values for All Analyses

Now we repeat the process in the preceding section for all subsets of the data, except we stop before making the plots.

```
fred <- function(rout) {
  map <- map.factory(rout, vars == "total.pods.collected")

  mapv <- Vectorize(map)
  b <- rout$b
  head(names(b))
  idx <- grep("paternal", names(b))
```

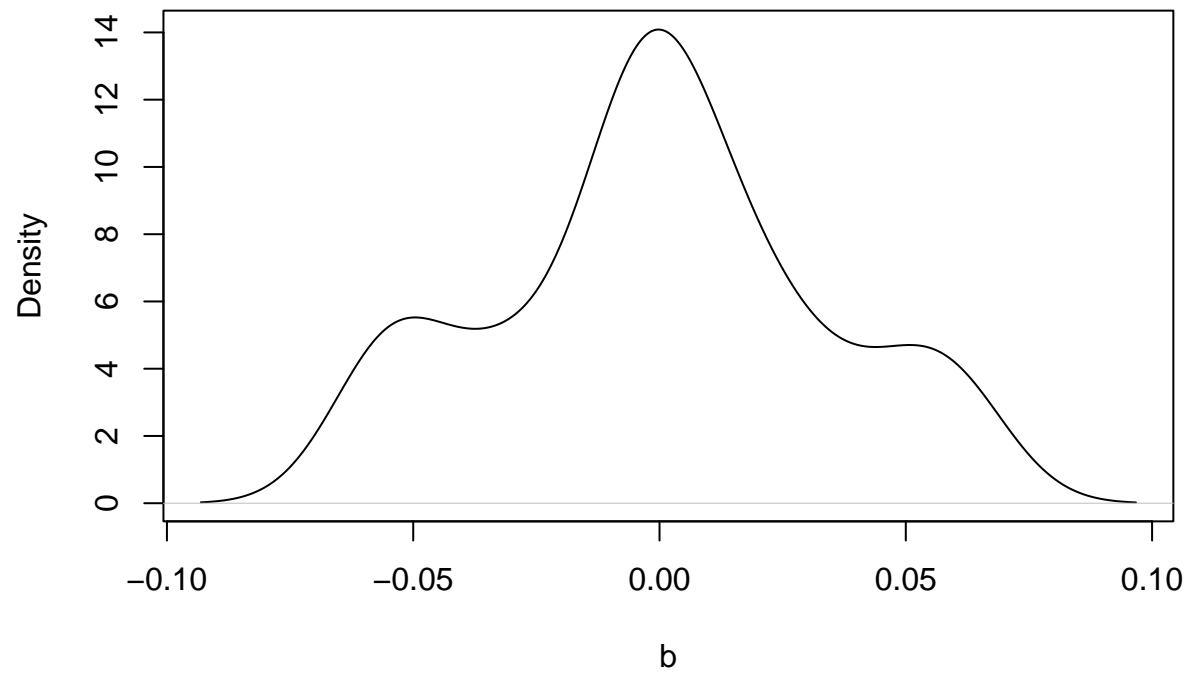


Figure 2: Density of estimated "breeding values" on the canonical parameter scale.

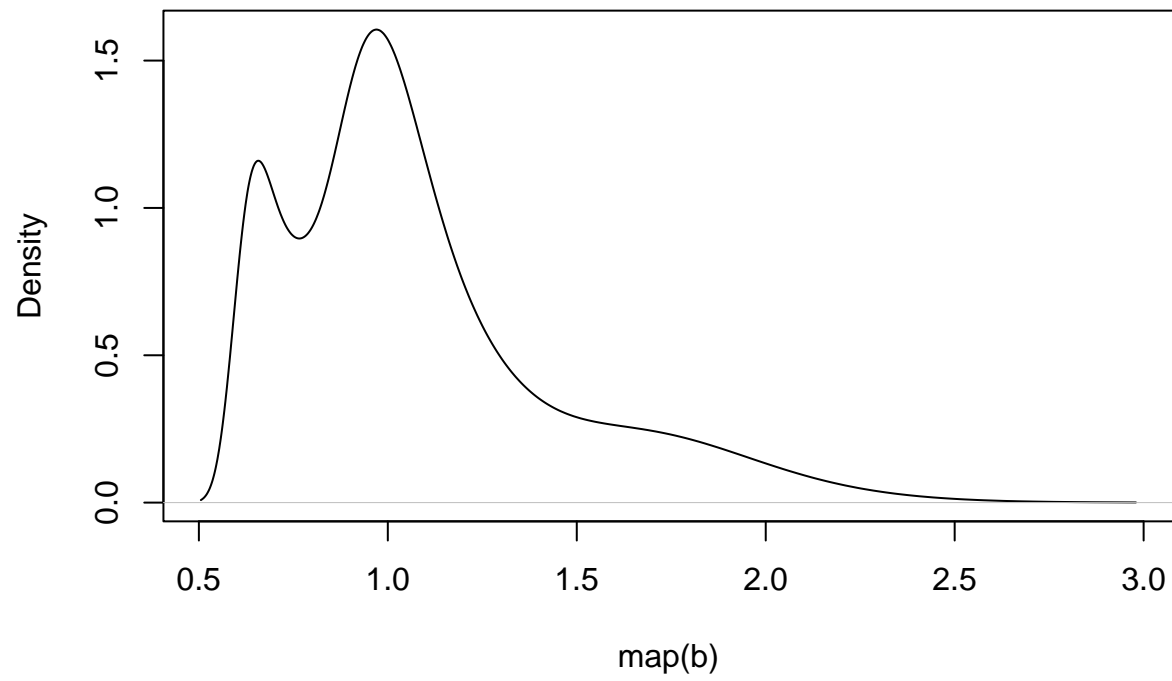


Figure 3: Density of estimated "breeding values" on the mean value parameter scale.

```

b <- b[idx]
names(b) <- sub("modmat.siredamfit:", "", names(b))
foo <- density(b, bw = "SJ")
bar <- foo
bar$x <- mapv(foo$x)
bar$y <- foo$y / grad(mapv, foo$x)
return(bar)
}

density.all <- lapply(save.rout, fred)

```

Now we want to redo Figure 2 in Kulbaba *et al.* (2019). to present estimates of the distributions of breeding values for each population-year combination. We want three plots, one for each site, and three curves on each plot, one for each year. And in order to use base R graphics, we need to find the maximum x value for each plot. Or perhaps the minimum x value such that the y value is below a specified cutoff above that x. And the cutoff should probably depend on the maximum y value, so find that first.

```

foo <- sapply(density.all, function(o) max(o$y))
ymax <- max(foo)
cutoff <- ymax / 100
foo <- sapply(density.all, function(o) max(o$x[o$y > cutoff]))
xmax <- max(foo)

```

Now we need to make the three plots (combined into one plot).

```

par(mar = c(5, 4, 4, 0) + 0.1, mfrow = c(1, 3))
plot(density.all[[1]], xlab = "breeding value (seed set)",
     xlim = c(0, xmax), ylim = c(0, ymax), main = "")
title(main = "Grey Cloud")
lines(density.all[[2]], col = "red")
lines(density.all[[3]], col = "blue")
legend(list(x = 4, y = 1.55), legend = as.character(2015:2017),
       lty = 1, col = c("black", "red", "blue"))
plot(density.all[[4]], xlab = "breeding value (seed set)",
     xlim = c(0, xmax), ylim = c(0, ymax), main = "")
title(main = "McCarthy Lake")
lines(density.all[[5]], col = "red")
lines(density.all[[6]], col = "blue")
legend(list(x = 4, y = 1.55), legend = as.character(2015:2017),
       lty = 1, col = c("black", "red", "blue"))
plot(density.all[[7]], xlab = "breeding value (seed set)",
     xlim = c(0, xmax), ylim = c(0, ymax), main = "")
title(main = "CERA")
lines(density.all[[8]], col = "red")
lines(density.all[[9]], col = "blue")
legend(list(x = 4, y = 1.55), legend = as.character(2015:2017),
       lty = 1, col = c("black", "red", "blue"))

```

## 12 Fisher's Fundamental Theorem of Natural Selection

### 12.1 Estimates Example

Here we calculate mean fitness, additive genetic variance for fitness, and their ratio, which Fisher's fundamental theorem of natural selection (FFTNS) says predicts the per generation genetically based change in mean

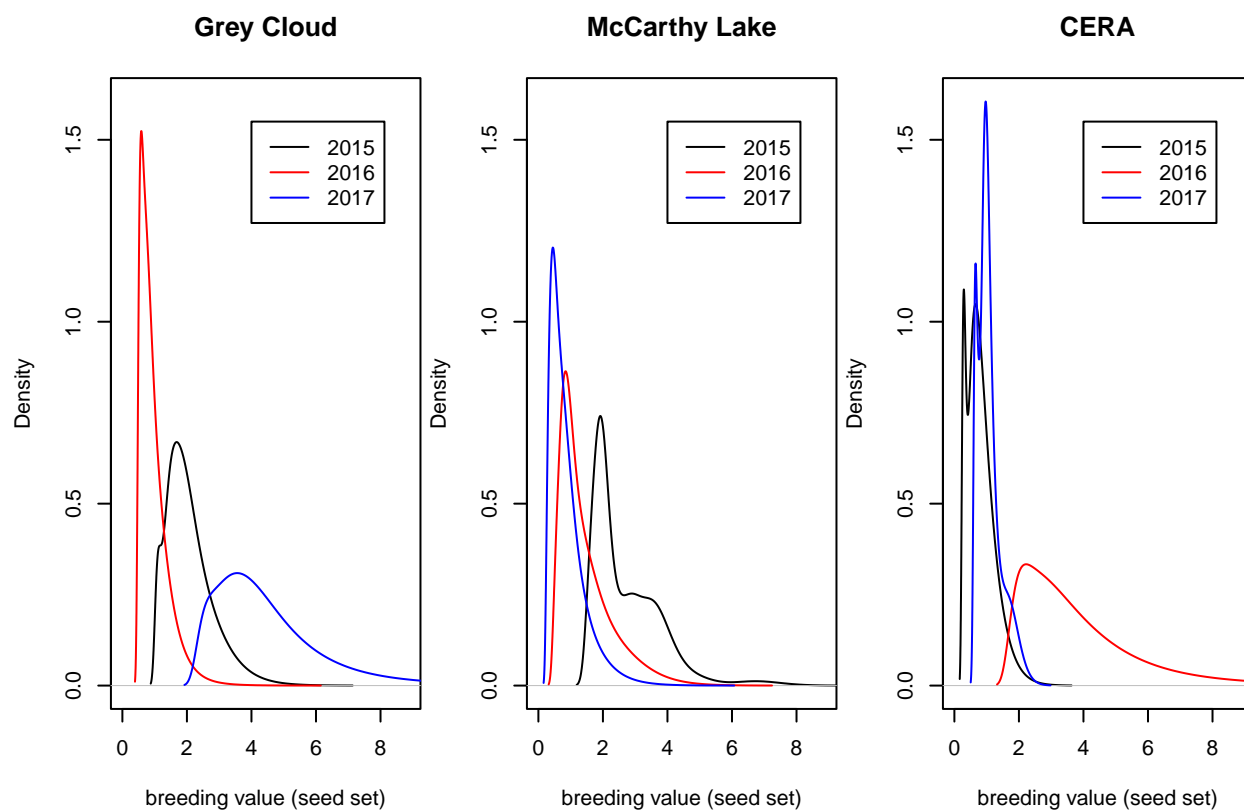


Figure 4: Density estimates of breeding values on mean value parameter scale.

fitness due to natural selection.

For this, following Geyer and Shaw (2013) we estimate mean fitness as

```
mf <- map(0)
mf
```

```
## [1] 1.004086
```

and additive genetic variance for fitness as

```
vaw <- rout$sigma["parental"]^2 * grad(map, 0)^2
# get rid of name
vaw <- as.numeric(vaw)
vaw
```

```
## [1] 0.2473741
```

This is sire variance mapped to the mean value parameter scale.

In classical quantitative genetics the additive genetic variance is four times the contribution to it from sires, (Falconer and Mackay (1996), Chapter 9) and although it is unclear this applies outside of the classical models that assume the trait has a normal distribution (which we are not assuming here, instead using an aster model), we follow Geyer and Shaw (2013) in multiplying by 4.

```
vaw <- vaw * 4
vaw
```

```
## [1] 0.9894962
```

And now the Fisher's fundamental theorem calculation is

```
fftns <- vaw / mf
fftns
```

```
## [1] 0.9854696
```

## 12.2 Estimates for All Subsets of the Data

```
fran <- function(rout) {
  map <- map.factory(rout, vars == "total.pods.collected")

  mapv <- Vectorize(map)
  mf <- map(0)
  mf
  vaw <- rout$sigma["parental"]^2 * grad(map, 0)^2
  # get rid of name
  vaw <- as.numeric(vaw)
  vaw
  vaw <- vaw * 4
  vaw
  fftns <- vaw / mf
  fftns
  return(list(mf = mf, vaw = vaw, fftns = fftns))
}

save.fftms <- lapply(save.rout, fran)
```

We now have, for all nine cases, all three quantities (mean fitness, additive genetic variance for fitness, and the FFTNS prediction (their ratio)) saved. We present them in Table 1, below, once we obtain standard



errors.

## 12.3 Standard Errors Example

### 12.3.1 Fisher Information

We are going to do standard errors via the delta method. For that we need derivatives, which we will again do using R package `numDeriv`. We also need Fisher information. We get an approximation for that from the method of R generic function `summary` for objects of class `reaster` which is also called `summary.reaster`

```
sout <- summary(rout)

names(sout)

## [1] "alpha"          "sigma"          "nu"
## [4] "object"         "standard.deviation" "fisher"

length(rout$alpha)

## [1] 5

length(rout$nu)

## [1] 2

dim(sout$fisher)

## [1] 7 7
```

The value returned by `summary.reaster` is not documented. To understand that we have to [Use the Source, Luke](#) from which (not shown, but as for all R code, the source is right there, just type `summary.reaster` to see it, after `library(aster)` has been done) we see that

- component `fisher` of the result is indeed treated like the Fisher information matrix (it is just an approximation, not exact) which needs to be inverted to get the (approximate) asymptotic variance of the (approximate) maximum likelihood estimates (MLE) of the parameters,
- the parameters are the fixed effects `alpha` and the variance components `nu`, and
- the fixed effect parameters come first in the parameter vector and the variance components come last, that is `fisher` is the Fisher information matrix for the parameter `c(alpha, nu)`.

Then we get inverse Fisher information

```
fishinv <- solve(sout$fisher)
```

### 12.3.2 Fisher's Fundamental Theorem Prediction

We need paper-and-pencil expressions for the derivatives of FFTNS prediction (as we shall see, we cannot use R function `grad` for this).

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \frac{V_A(W)}{\mu} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} 4\mu^{-1} \nu \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial b} \right)_{b=0} \right]^2 \\ &= -4\mu^{-2} \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \alpha} \nu \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial b} \right)_{b=0} \right]^2 + 8\mu^{-1} \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 \mu}{\partial b \partial \alpha} \right)_{b=0} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \frac{V_A(W)}{\mu} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} 4\mu^{-1} \nu \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial b} \right)_{b=0} \right]^2 \\ &= 4\mu^{-1} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial b} \right)_{b=0} \right]^2\end{aligned}$$

where

- 

$$V_A(W) = 4\nu \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial b} \right)_{b=0} \right]^2$$

- $\mu$  is (predicted) mean fitness, what was `map(0)` before,
- $b$  is the "breeding value (in scare quotes) on the canonical parameter scale, what was the argument of R function `map` before,
- $\alpha$  is the vector of fixed effects (`rout$alpha`),
- $\nu$  is the parental variance component (`rout$nu[1]` because we made that the first variance component, the second variance component being the one for blocks), and
  - $\partial \mu / \partial b$  is a scalar because  $b$  is a scalar,
  - $\partial \mu / \partial \alpha$  is a vector because  $\alpha$  is a vector, and
  - $\partial^2 \mu / \partial b \partial \alpha$  is a vector because  $b$  is a scalar and  $\alpha$  is a vector.

We see that we need first derivatives of (predicted) mean fitness with respect to both breeding value ( $\partial \mu / \partial b$ ) and fixed effects ( $\partial \mu / \partial \alpha$ ) and need (mixed) second derivatives with respect to both of these ( $\partial^2 \mu / \partial b \partial \alpha$ ).

We could try to calculate second derivatives by applying R function `grad` in R package `numDeriv` twice, the second time to the result of calling it the first time, but this will not work well. R function `grad` expects a differentiable function that is as continuous as it can be given the inaccuracy of computer arithmetic. But R function `grad` does not return such. Instead we use R function `hessian` in R package `numDeriv` which is designed to calculate second derivatives. It does more than we want, but it does do what we want.

In order to be able to differentiate with respect to both  $b$  and  $\alpha$  we need to rewrite R function `map` to be a function of both. But it cannot be a function of two arguments (not what R function `grad` expects) so we make it a function of one vector `balpha` that combines both.

```
map.factory.too <- function(rout, is.subsamp) {
  stopifnot(inherits(rout, "reaster"))
  stopifnot(is.logical(is.subsamp))
  aout <- rout$obj
  stopifnot(inherits(aout, "aster"))
  nnode <- ncol(aout$x)
  if(nnode != length(is.subsamp))
    stop("length(is.subsamp) not the number of nodes in the aster graph")
  alpha <- rout$alpha
  ifit <- which(names(alpha) == "fit")
  if (length(ifit) != 1)
    stop("no fixed effect named fit")
  # return map function
  function (balpha) {
    stopifnot(is.numeric(balpha))
    stopifnot(is.finite(balpha))
    stopifnot(length(balpha) == 1 + length(alpha))
    b <- balpha[1]
    alpha <- balpha[-1]
    alpha[ifit] <- alpha[ifit] + b
    xi <- predict(aout, newcoef = alpha,
      model.type = "conditional", is.always.parameter = TRUE)
    xi <- matrix(xi, ncol = nnode)
    # always use drop = FALSE unless you are sure you don't want that
  }
}
```

```

    # here if we omit drop = FALSE and there is only one non-subsampling
    # node, the code will break (apply will give an error)
    xi <- xi[ , ! is.subsamp, drop = FALSE]
    mu <- apply(xi, 1, prod)
    # mu is unconditional mean values for model without subsampling
    # in this application all components mu are the same because no
    # covariates except varb, so just return only one
    mu[1]
  }
}

```

And then make the function by invoking the factory function.

```
map.too <- map.factory.too(rout, vars == "total.pods.collected")
```

And then the point where we want to evaluate it.

```
balpha.hat <- c(0, rout$alpha)
```

And then check that the value of the function is what it is supposed to be.

```
all.equal(map(0), map.too(balpha.hat))
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

So now we calculate both first and second derivatives of this function.

```
g <- grad(map.too, balpha.hat)
h <- hessian(map.too, balpha.hat)
```

And then we only keep the partial derivatives that occur in our formulae.

```
dmu.db <- g[1]
dmu.dalpha <- g[-1]
d2mu.db.dalpha <- h[1, -1]
```

And then we give names to the estimators in our formulas.

```
mu.hat <- map.too(balpha.hat)
nu.hat <- rout$nu["parental"]
```

And then we calculate the gradient vector of the FFTNS prediction with respect to the parameters of the model (fixed effects and variance components) using the formulae at the beginning of this section.

```
dfftns <- c(- 4 * nu.hat * dmu.dalpha * dmu.db^2 / mu.hat^2 +
           8 * nu.hat * d2mu.db.dalpha / mu.hat, 4 * dmu.db^2 / mu.hat, 0)
```

And apply the delta method.

```
fftns.se <- t(dfftns) %*% fishinv %*% dfftns
fftns.se <- sqrt(as.vector(fftns.se))
fftns.se
```

```
## [1] 0.4679352
```

### 12.3.3 Additive Genetic Variance for Fitness

The formulae here are a bit simpler than those in the preceding section.

$$\frac{\partial V_A(W)}{\partial \alpha} = 8\nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 \mu}{\partial b \partial \alpha} \right)_{b=0}$$
$$\frac{\partial V_A(W)}{\partial \nu} = 4 \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial b} \right)_{b=0} \right]^2$$

So we calculate the gradient vector  $V_A(W)$  with respect to the parameters of the model using these formulae.

```
dvaw <- c(8 * nu.hat * d2mu.db.dalpha, 4 * dmu.db^2, 0)
```

And then apply the delta method to get standard errors for this estimator.

```
vaw.se <- t(dvaw) %*% fishinv %*% dvaw
vaw.se <- sqrt(as.vector(vaw.se))
vaw.se
```

```
## [1] 0.3710482
```

### 12.3.4 Mean Fitness

Now the gradient vector of  $\mu$  with respect to the parameters of the model is

```
dmf <- c(dmu.dalpha, 0, 0)
```

And then apply the delta method to get standard errors for this estimator.

```
mf.se <- t(dmf) %*% fishinv %*% dmf
mf.se <- sqrt(as.vector(mf.se))
mf.se
```

```
## [1] 0.3683383
```

### 12.3.5 Comment about Block Variance Component

It might occur to one to ask where the sampling distribution of the variance component for blocks enters. It does not appear in any of our formulas because none of the quantities we are estimating depends on it. But we have not left it out of our calculation because the (approximate) Fisher information matrix is for *all* estimated parameters so its inverse `fishinv` gives the asymptotic joint distribution for *all* parameters, and this does correctly take into account the sampling variability in the variance component for blocks.

### 12.3.6 Comment about the Bootstrap

This is not the way that Kulbaba *et al.* (2019) did confidence intervals for these parameters. They reported double parametric bootstrap  $t$  confidence intervals, which are not symmetric (so they do not have the form  $\text{mean} \pm 1.96 \cdot \text{standard error}$  as would be our intervals (if we did report intervals rather than just standard errors). In that case, a double bootstrap was needed because the standard error formulas we derive here was not then available. It was thus necessary to conduct a single bootstrap to estimate standard errors, and then a bootstrap of the bootstrap (double bootstrap) to obtain confidence intervals. Because the bootstrap is much more reliable than asymptotics, those intervals would have been better than the ones we give here, except for omitting the correction for subsampling. Now, with the standard error formulas derived in this section available, one could do as well as possible with single parametric bootstrap  $t$  confidence intervals. But we do not take the extra computing time to do that in this correction.

## 12.4 Standard Errors for All Subsets of the Data

```
sally <- function(rout) {
  map.too <- map.factory.too(rout, vars == "total.pods.collected")
  balpha.hat <- c(0, rout$alpha)
  mu.hat <- map.too(balphi.hat)
  nu.hat <- rout$nu["parental"]
  g <- grad(map.too, balphi.hat)
  h <- hessian(map.too, balphi.hat)
  dmu.db <- g[1]
  dmu.dalpha <- g[-1]
  d2mu.db.dalpha <- h[1, -1]
  sout <- summary(rout)
  fishinv <- try(solve(sout$fisher), silent = TRUE)
  if (inherits(fishinv, "try-error"))
    return(list(mf = NA, vaw = NA, fftns = NA))
  dfftns <- c(- 4 * nu.hat * dmu.dalpha * dmu.db^2 / mu.hat^2 +
    8 * nu.hat * d2mu.db.dalpha / mu.hat, 4 * dmu.db^2 / mu.hat, 0)
  fftns.se <- t(dfftns) %*% fishinv %*% dfftns
  fftns.se <- sqrt(as.vector(fftns.se))
  fftns.se
  dvaw <- c(8 * nu.hat * d2mu.db.dalpha, 4 * dmu.db^2, 0)
  vaw.se <- t(dvaw) %*% fishinv %*% dvaw
  vaw.se <- sqrt(as.vector(vaw.se))
  vaw.se
  dmfi <- c(dmu.dalpha, 0, 0)
  mfi.se <- t(dmfi) %*% fishinv %*% dmfi
  mfi.se <- sqrt(as.vector(mfi.se))
  mfi.se
  return(list(mf = mfi.se, vaw = vaw.se, fftns = fftns.se))
}

save.se <- lapply(save.rout, sally)
```

So now we are ready to redo Table 3 in Kulbaba *et al.* (2019).

```
est <- unlist(save.fftns)
est <- formatC(est, digits = 3, format = "f")
se <- unlist(save.se)
se <- formatC(se, digits = 3, format = "f")
est.se <- paste0(est, " (", se, ")")
est.se <- matrix(est.se, ncol = 3, byrow = TRUE)
rownames(est.se) <- rep(2015:2017, times = 3)
colnames(est.se) <- c("$\\overline{W}$", "$V_A(W)$",
  "$V_A(W) / \\overline{W}$")

kbl(est.se,
  caption = "Estimates with Standard Errors (in parentheses)",
  format = "latex", escape = FALSE, booktabs = TRUE) %>%
  kable_styling() %>%
  pack_rows("Grey Cloud Dunes", 1, 3) %>%
  pack_rows("McCarthy Lake", 4, 6) %>%
  pack_rows("CERA", 7, 9)
```

In this table there are two rows in which we cannot calculate standard errors because the (approximate)

Table 1: Estimates with Standard Errors (in parentheses)

|                         | $\bar{W}$     | $V_A(W)$       | $V_A(W)/\bar{W}$ |
|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>Grey Cloud Dunes</b> |               |                |                  |
| 2015                    | 1.872 (0.239) | 4.583 (0.963)  | 2.448 (0.634)    |
| 2016                    | 0.839 (0.122) | 0.736 (0.166)  | 0.878 (0.208)    |
| 2017                    | 4.052 (0.552) | 15.802 (3.701) | 3.900 (1.136)    |
| <b>McCarthy Lake</b>    |               |                |                  |
| 2015                    | 2.546 ( NA)   | 11.762 ( NA)   | 4.620 ( NA)      |
| 2016                    | 1.230 (0.295) | 4.118 (0.920)  | 3.347 (1.187)    |
| 2017                    | 0.731 (0.150) | 1.505 (0.331)  | 2.060 (0.630)    |
| <b>CERA</b>             |               |                |                  |
| 2015                    | 0.698 ( NA)   | 1.484 ( NA)    | 2.126 ( NA)      |
| 2016                    | 3.253 (0.550) | 8.775 (2.470)  | 2.697 (0.903)    |
| 2017                    | 1.004 (0.368) | 0.989 (0.371)  | 0.985 (0.468)    |

Fisher information matrix is too close to being singular and hence cannot be inverted.

Even if we could obtain finite standard errors with infinite precision arithmetic, they would be too large for computer arithmetic (which carries only 16 decimal places) to compute. No matter what approximations or algorithms were used, these standard errors would be so large as to say that the estimates are very ill determined (could be arbitrarily far from the true unknown parameter values).

For these two cases, of the nine, random effects aster models are poorly behaved for these data. We note that the CERA plantings involved half as many individuals as those for the other two populations.

## 13 Breeding Values Expressed in One Year versus Breeding Values Expressed in Another

This section is about reproducing Figure 3 in Kulbaba *et al.* (2019) except with the correction for subsampling.

First get all of the breeding values mapped to the canonical parameter scale.

```
andrew <- function(rout) {
  map <- map.factory(rout, vars == "total.pods.collected")

  mapv <- Vectorize(map)
  b <- rout$b
  head(names(b))
  idx <- grep("paternal", names(b))
  b <- b[idx]
  names(b) <- sub("modmat.siredamfit:", "", names(b))
  return(mapv(b))
}

save.e <- lapply(save.rout, andrew)
```

Check that the names agree within site.

```
identical(names(save.e$gc2015), names(save.e$gc2016))

## [1] TRUE
```

```

identical(names(save.e$gc2015), names(save.e$gc2017))

## [1] TRUE

identical(names(save.e$kw2015), names(save.e$kw2016))

## [1] TRUE

identical(names(save.e$kw2015), names(save.e$kw2017))

## [1] TRUE

identical(names(save.e$cs2015), names(save.e$cs2016))

## [1] TRUE

identical(names(save.e$cs2015), names(save.e$cs2017))

## [1] TRUE

par(mfrow = c(3,3))
par(mar = c(5,4,0,0) + 0.1)
plot(save.e$gc2015, save.e$gc2016, xlab = "GC 2015", ylab = "GC 2016")
plot(save.e$gc2015, save.e$gc2017, xlab = "GC 2015", ylab = "GC 2017")
plot(save.e$gc2016, save.e$gc2017, xlab = "GC 2016", ylab = "GC 2017")
plot(save.e$kw2015, save.e$kw2016, xlab = "ML 2015", ylab = "ML 2016")
plot(save.e$kw2015, save.e$kw2017, xlab = "ML 2015", ylab = "ML 2017")
plot(save.e$kw2016, save.e$kw2017, xlab = "ML 2016", ylab = "ML 2017")
plot(save.e$cs2015, save.e$cs2016, xlab = "CERA 2015", ylab = "CERA 2016")
plot(save.e$cs2015, save.e$cs2017, xlab = "CERA 2015", ylab = "CERA 2017")
plot(save.e$cs2016, save.e$cs2017, xlab = "CERA 2016", ylab = "CERA 2017")

```

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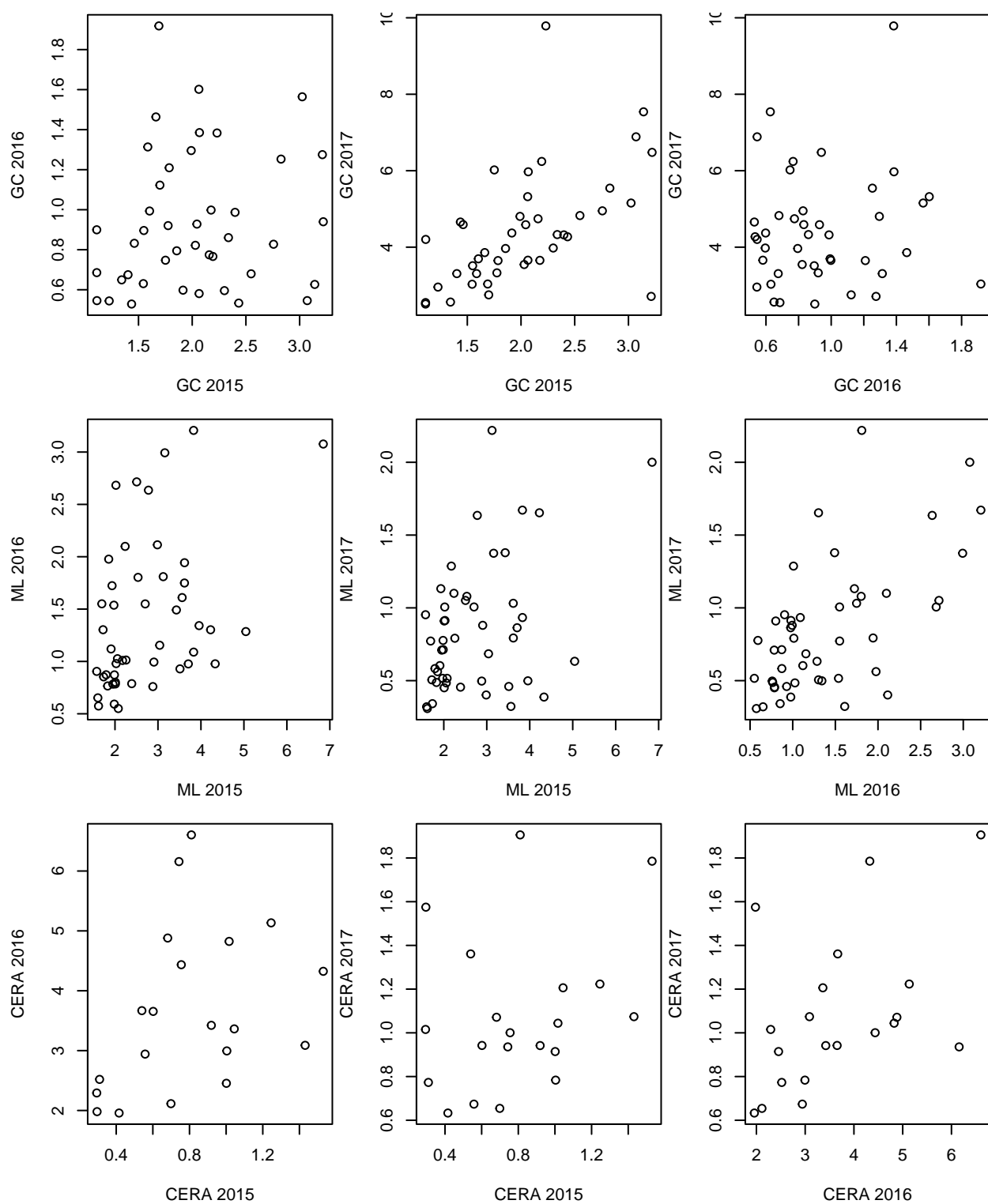


Figure 5: Comparing Breeding Values for Different Years, Same Site.



## 15 Appendix: Mean Values Corrected for Subsampling

Here is the general algorithm for mean values corrected for subsampling, *not necessarily for a linear graph*, which was assumed in the main text.

1. Get the matrix `xi` like in the code for R functions `map.factory` and `map.factory.too`.
2. (This is the correction for subsampling.) Change all components of `xi` for subsampling arrows to one (so multiplication by such does nothing. Something like

```
xi[ , is.subsamp] <- 1
```

3. Create a matrix `mu` the same dimensions as `xi`.
4. Traverse the graph, predecessors before successors (the way R package `aster` works, this is just in column order for `xi` and `mu`). So something like

```
for (i in seq_along(pred)) {  
}
```

5. If `pred[i] == 0` so the predecessor is an initial node, set this column of `mu` to be the corresponding column of `root` (which needs to be gotten from `aout$root` in the setup). Something like

```
mu[ , i] <- root[ , i]
```

6. Otherwise

```
mu[ , i] <- mu[ , pred[i]] * xi[ , i]
```

Putting that all together (this code has not been tested, so we are not sure it works).

Somewhere above function (b) {

```
root <- aout$root
```

Then delete the lines

```
xi <- xi[ , ! is.subsamp, drop = FALSE]  
mu <- apply(xi, 1, prod)
```

And replace with

```
xi[ , is.subsamp] <- 1  
mu <- xi * NaN  
for (i in seq_along(pred))  
  if (pred[i] == 0) {  
    mu[ , i] <- root[ , i]  
  } else {  
    mu[ , i] <- mu[ , pred[i]] * xi[ , i]  
  }  
}
```

Now we have the unconditional mean values, corrected for subsampling for all nodes.

Finally we need the sum of the means for all fitness nodes for an individual. Something like

```
ifit.matrix <- matrix(ifit, nrow = nrow(mu), ncol = ncol(mu))  
mu[! ifit.matrix] <- 0  
mu <- rowSums(mu)
```

And now `mu` is a vector, mean fitness for each individual in the data.

And, in general (if there are covariates other than `varb` which we do not have in these data), you do not want to return `mu[1]` but rather the component or components of interesting individuals.

And, in general, one might not want predicted mean fitness for an individual in the data but rather for a hypothetical individual whose covariate values differ from those of individuals in the data. And that is what argument `newdata` to R function `predict` is for. But we won't go into that here.

## 16 Appendix: Reaster Summaries

Show model fits.

```
for (i in seq(along = save.rout)) {
  cat("\n\n*****", names(save.rout)[i], "*****\n\n")
  print(summary(save.rout[[i]]))
}
```

```
##
##
## ***** gc2015 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -0.5611     0.1199  -4.680 2.87e-06 ***
## fit              2.3311     0.1239  18.817 < 2e-16 ***
## varbGerm        -1.7953     0.1897  -9.464 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods   1.9259     0.1379  13.967 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods.collected -5.3312     0.1640 -32.510 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental  0.09229     0.01014   9.098   <2e-16 ***
## block      0.01052     0.01105   0.952     0.17
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** gc2016 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    1.16801     0.09632  12.127 < 2e-16 ***
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## fit                0.50168    0.10362    4.841 1.29e-06 ***
## varbGerm           -3.29799    0.16515 -19.970 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods    -0.97882    0.12283  -7.969 1.61e-15 ***
## varbttotal.pods.collected -5.85708    0.17027 -34.398 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental  0.10201    0.01171   8.713   < 2e-16 ***
## block     0.04627    0.01423   3.251   0.000575 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** gc2017 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -4.4763    0.1485  -30.15   <2e-16 ***
## fit              6.3364    0.1513   41.89   <2e-16 ***
## varbGerm         2.3253    0.1985   11.71   <2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods   6.8270    0.1638   41.69   <2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods.collected -2.6536    0.1838  -14.44   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental 0.065511    0.007521   8.710   < 2e-16 ***
## block    0.029992    0.008856   3.387   0.000354 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** kw2015 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -9.387e+00  4.064e-01  -23.10   <2e-16 ***

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## fit                1.160e+01  4.067e-01  28.52  <2e-16 ***
## varbGerm           5.270e+00  5.259e-01  10.02  <2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods    -3.694e+01  8.389e+06   0.00    1
## varbttotal.pods.collected  5.072e+01  8.389e+06   0.00    1
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental 0.0059749  0.0008864   6.74  7.89e-12 ***
## block    0.0000000      NA      NA      NA
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** kw2016 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -1.6668    0.2008  -8.302  < 2e-16 ***
## fit              3.6199    0.2022  17.905  < 2e-16 ***
## varbGerm        -1.6825    0.3085  -5.454  4.93e-08 ***
## varbttotal.pods   0.6743    0.2624   2.569   0.0102 *
## varbttotal.pods.collected -1.4371    0.2602  -5.524  3.32e-08 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental 0.026245   0.002845   9.225  < 2e-16 ***
## block    0.013316   0.004252   3.131   0.00087 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** kw2017 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -3.25893    0.20605 -15.816  <2e-16 ***

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## fit                4.13710    0.20906  19.789  <2e-16 ***
## varbGerm           -0.06383    0.30888  -0.207    0.836
## varbttotal.pods     3.92823    0.22943  17.121  <2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods.collected  3.37681    0.21882  15.432  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental 0.063755  0.006991  9.120  < 2e-16 ***
## block    0.021956  0.008506  2.581  0.00492 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** cs2015 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -3.354e+00  2.105e-01 -15.936  < 2e-16 ***
## fit            4.772e+00  2.166e-01  22.032  < 2e-16 ***
## varbGerm       1.888e+00  2.513e-01  7.513  5.79e-14 ***
## varbttotal.pods   -3.764e+01  3.837e+05  0.000      1
## varbttotal.pods.collected  4.320e+01  3.837e+05  0.000      1
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental 0.045111  0.007059  6.391  8.24e-11 ***
## block    0.053274  0.023136  2.303  0.0106 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** cs2016 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)   -4.8466    0.1614 -30.028  < 2e-16 ***

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## fit                5.9962      0.1722  34.813 < 2e-16 ***
## varbGerm           3.6948      0.2068  17.868 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods    7.2322      0.1791  40.387 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods.collected 0.7603      0.1892   4.018 5.87e-05 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental  0.13089    0.01898   6.896  2.68e-12 ***
## block     0.05096    0.02391   2.131   0.0165 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
##
## ***** cs2017 *****
##
##
## Call:
## reaster.formula(fixed = resp ~ fit + varb, random = list(parental = ~0 +
##   modmat.siredam, block = ~0 + fit:block), pred = pred, fam = fam,
##   varvar = varb, idvar = id, root = root, data = redata)
##
##
## Fixed Effects:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -1.4799     0.2165  -6.835 8.19e-12 ***
## fit              3.0650     0.2242  13.669 < 2e-16 ***
## varbGerm        -1.0575     0.3110  -3.401 0.000672 ***
## varbttotal.pods   2.7616     0.2537  10.884 < 2e-16 ***
## varbttotal.pods.collected -2.7238     0.2698 -10.095 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Square Roots of Variance Components (P-values are one-tailed):
##      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)/2
## parental  0.05514    0.01036   5.321  5.16e-08 ***
## block     0.07001    0.03054   2.292   0.0109 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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