

# Size-At-Age Models

## 1 Initialization

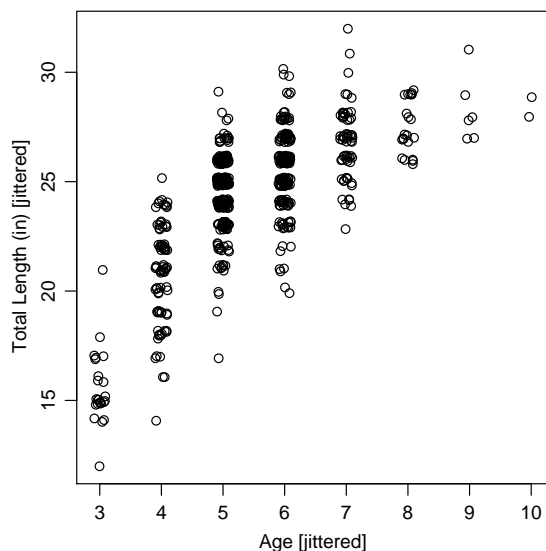
```
> library(FSA)
> setwd("C://aaaWork/Class Materials//MnDNR_ShortCourse//Readings//Growth//")
```

## 2 Traditional Von Bertalanffy Example – Rainbow Trout

```
> library(FSA)
> data(TroutBR)
> str(TroutBR)

'data.frame':      851 obs. of  3 variables:
 $ t1      : int   16 16 17 17 17 17 17 17 17 17 ...
 $ age     : int    4 4 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 ...
 $ species: Factor w/ 2 levels "Brown","Rainbow": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...

> rbt <- subset(TroutBR, species == "Rainbow")
> attach(rbt)
> plot(jitter(tl, 1) ~ jitter(age, 0.5), xlab = "Age [jittered]", ylab = "Total Length (in) [jittered]")
```



```
> Summary(tl)
```

	n	NAs	Valid n	Mean	St. Dev.	Min.	1st Qu.	Median
	627.000000	0.000000	627.000000	24.363636	3.045211	12.000000	23.000000	25.000000
3rd Qu.								
	26.000000	32.000000						

The following command is interactive and cannot be shown in this document

```
> growmodel.sim("vb", age, tL, max.len = 35)

> svb <- list(Linf = 31.3, K = 0.3, to = 0.6)
> vbl1 <- nls(tl ~ Linf * (1 - exp(-K * (age - to))), start = svb)
> summary(vbl1)
```

```
Formula: tl ~ Linf * (1 - exp(-K * (age - to)))
```

```
Parameters:
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
Linf	27.71185	0.28382	97.64	<2e-16 ***
K	0.63243	0.04248	14.89	<2e-16 ***
to	1.71688	0.10159	16.90	<2e-16 ***

```
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```

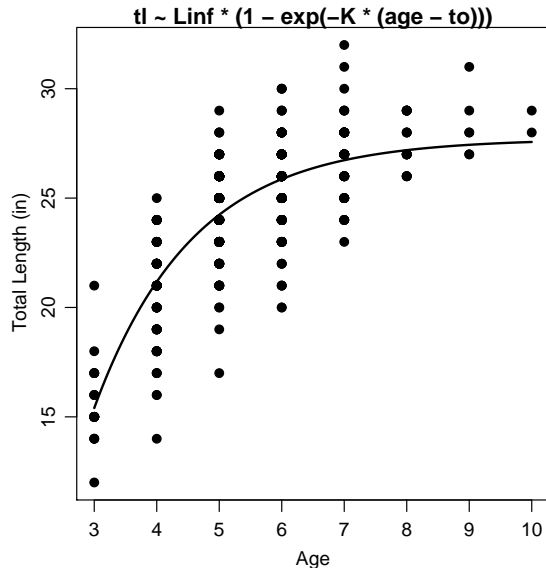
```
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
Residual standard error: 1.775 on 624 degrees of freedom
```

```
Number of iterations to convergence: 7
```

```
Achieved convergence tolerance: 3.009e-07
```

```
> fit.plot(vbl1, xlab = "Age", ylab = "Total Length (in)")
```



The following `boot.case()` function requires that the `alr3` package be installed and loaded. The `boot.case()` function requires patience – the example below took 3-4 minutes to process.

```
> library(alr3)
> coef.boot <- boot.case(vbl1)
> ci.bc(coef.boot)
```

	95% LCI	95% UCI
Linf	27.2217215	28.2557533
K	0.5556447	0.7151777
to	1.5060227	1.8903305

```

> ho.bc(coef.boot, 1, 28.5, alt = "greater")

Ho Value  p value
    28.5 0.997998

> predict(vbl1, data.frame(age = 8))

[1] 27.19074

> linf.bc <- coef.boot[, 1]
> k.bc <- coef.boot[, 2]
> to.bc <- coef.boot[, 3]
> pv <- linf.bc * (1 - exp(-k.bc * (8 - to.bc)))
> quantile(pv, c(0.025, 0.975))

    2.5%    97.5%
26.87676 27.51393

```

### 3 Galucci and Quinn Von Bertalanffy Example – Rainbow Trout

The following commands assume that the rainbow trout data frame created above is still attached.

```

> growmodel.sim("vbgq", Age, TL, max.len = 35)

> svb2 <- list(omega = 10, K = 0.3, to = 0.6)
> vbl2 <- nls(tl ~ omega/K * (1 - exp(-K * (age - to))), start = svb2)
> summary(vbl2)

Formula: tl ~ omega/K * (1 - exp(-K * (age - to)))

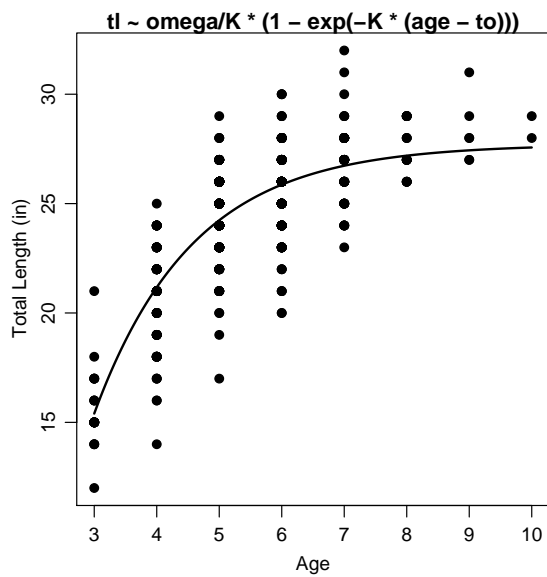
Parameters:
      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
omega 17.52584    1.01720   17.23  <2e-16 ***
K      0.63243    0.04248   14.89  <2e-16 ***
to     1.71688    0.10159   16.90  <2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.775 on 624 degrees of freedom

Number of iterations to convergence: 5
Achieved convergence tolerance: 2.114e-06

> fit.plot(vbl2, xlab = "Age", ylab = "Total Length (in)")

```



```
> coef.boot2 <- boot.case(vb12)
> ci.bc(coef.boot2)
```

```
          95% LCI    95% UCI
omega 15.7252097 19.4807003
K      0.5566017 0.7136926
to     1.5091226 1.8946154
```

```
> predict(vb12, data.frame(age = 8))
```

```
[1] 27.19074
```

```
> omega.bc <- coef.boot2[, 1]
> k.bc2 <- coef.boot2[, 2]
> to.bc2 <- coef.boot2[, 3]
> pv2 <- omega.bc/k.bc2 * (1 - exp(-k.bc * (8 - to.bc)))
> quantile(pv2, c(0.025, 0.975))
```

```
      2.5%    97.5%
26.66526 27.78304
```

```
> detach(rbt)
```