

# Animal Model Comparison

## Description

## References

## Libraries

```
library(AlphaSimR)
```

```
## Loading required package: R6
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```
library(AGHmatrix)
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```
library(MCMCglmm)
```

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## Loading required package: Matrix
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## Loading required package: coda
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## Loading required package: ape
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```
library(brms)
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## Loading required package: Rcpp
```

```
## Loading 'brms' package (version 2.14.4). Useful instructions  
## can be found by typing help('brms'). A more detailed introduction  
## to the package is available through vignette('brms_overview').
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## Attaching package: 'brms'
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```
## The following object is masked from 'package:MCMCglmm':
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##      me
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```
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
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##      ar
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```
library(rstan)
```

```
## Loading required package: StanHeaders
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```
## Loading required package: ggplot2
```

```
## rstan (Version 2.21.2, GitRev: 2e1f913d3ca3)
```

```
## For execution on a local, multicore CPU with excess RAM we recommend calling  
## options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores()).
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```
## To avoid recompilation of unchanged Stan programs, we recommend calling  
## rstan_options(auto_write = TRUE)
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```
## Attaching package: 'rstan'
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## The following object is masked from 'package:coda':
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##      traceplot
options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores())
rstan_options(auto_write = TRUE)
```

## Simulated Population

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## Founder population
FOUNDERPOP <- runMacs(nInd = 100,
                     nChr = 20,
                     inbred = FALSE,
                     species = "GENERIC")

## Simulation parameters
SIMPARAM <- SimParam$new(FOUNDERPOP)
SIMPARAM$addTraitA(nQtlPerChr = 100,
                  mean = 100,
                  var = 10)
SIMPARAM$setGender("yes_sys")
SIMPARAM$setVarE(h2 = 0.3)

## Random mating for 9 more generations
generations <- vector(mode = "list", length = 10)
generations[[1]] <- newPop(FOUNDERPOP,
                          simParam = SIMPARAM)

for (gen in 2:10) {

  generations[[gen]] <- randCross(generations[[gen - 1]],
                                nCrosses = 10,
                                nProgeny = 10,
                                simParam = SIMPARAM)

}

## Put them all together
combined <- Reduce(c, generations)

## Extract phenotypes
pheno <- data.frame(animal = combined@id,
                   pheno = combined@pheno[,1])

# Important to scale phenotype otherwise priors could be incorrect
pheno$scaled_pheno <- as.vector(scale(pheno$pheno))

## Extract pedigree
ped <- data.frame(id = combined@id,
                 dam = combined@mother,
                 sire = combined@father)

ped2 <- ped
ped2$dam[ped$dam == 0] <- NA
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ped2$sire[ped$sire == 0] <- NA
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## MCMCglmm

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## Gamma priors for variances
prior_gamma <- list(R = list(V = 1, nu = 1),
                    G = list(G1 = list(V = 1, nu = 1)))

## Fit the model
model_mcmc <- MCMCglmm(scaled_pheno ~ 1,
                       random = ~ animal,
                       family = "gaussian",
                       prior = prior_gamma,
                       pedigree = ped2,
                       data = pheno,
                       nitt = 100000,
                       burnin = 10000,
                       thin = 10)

## Calculate heritability for heritability from variance components
h2_mcmc_object <- model_mcmc$VCV[, "animal"] /
  (model_mcmc$VCV[, "animal"] + model_mcmc$VCV[, "units"])

## Summarise results from that posterior
h2_mcmc <- data.frame(mean = mean(h2_mcmc_object),
                      lower = quantile(h2_mcmc_object, 0.025),
                      upper = quantile(h2_mcmc_object, 0.975),
                      method = "MCMC",
                      stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
```

## BRMS

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# ped matrix needs to have 0s for missing values NOT NAs
A <- Amatrix(ped)

# Run model
model_brms <- brm(scaled_pheno ~ 1 + (1|animal),
                  data = pheno,
                  family = gaussian(),
                  cov_ranef = list(animal = A),
                  chains = 4,
                  cores = 1,
                  iter = 2000)

# Examine posterior distribution
posterior_brms <- posterior_samples(model_brms,
                                    pars = c("sd_animal", "sigma"))

# Calculate heritability for each sample
h2_brms <- posterior_brms[,1]^2 /
  (posterior_brms[,1]^2 + posterior_brms[,2]^2)
```

```
# Mean heritability for all samples
h2_brms <- data.frame(mean = mean(h2_brms),
                      lower = quantile(h2_brms, 0.025),
                      upper = quantile(h2_brms, 0.975),
                      method = "BRMS",
                      stringsAsFactors = FALSE,
                      row.names=NULL)
```

## Heritability comparison

```
h2 <- rbind(h2_mcmc,h2_brms)
```