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WorkShop Genomic Evaluation

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Introduction

A brief presentation of myself



- ightharpoonup 2015 2018
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Workshop Goals



This workshop:

- → Takes place in the WP5 of the EUCLEG project.
- ♣ Provide knowledge and tools for breeders
- An user-friendly software (Progeno) was developed
- R programming language linked to the Progeno program in command line.

This workshop covers:

- QTL detection
- genomic selection.
- ⇒ Methods easy to implement and robust

Workshop Organization



- Theoretical part
 - Data Observation and understanding
 - GWAS : Genome Wide Association Studies
 - Genomic selection

 - Rmarkdown
- Overview of the practical part
 - Presentation of the dataset
 - What are we going to do in this workshop?
 - How the practical part will take place?
- Pratical part

Data observation and understanding

Obervation and understanding of data



A good understanding of an experimental design and the collected data observation :

- Is part of the experiment.
- Essential pre-requisite for the field data preparation or analysis

I will provide guidelines on :

- → How to observe and analyse field data
- How to prepare the data
- How to fit a linear model to adjust the phenotypic data before GWAS, GWE or GS analysis.

Why prepare and observe data?



In genome-wide association studies:

№ Determine the **relationships between phenotypes and genotypes**

→ Rare phenotypes and their associated genotypes are of great interest.

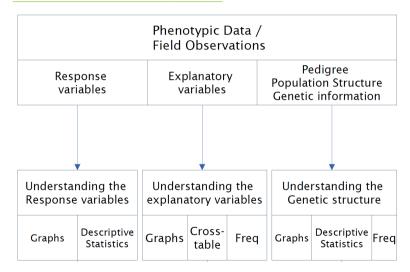
Rare phenotypes → the result of technical errors or bad models

False Rare phenotypes ⇒ leads to the detection of false QTLs or inaccurate prediction

To avoid this \Rightarrow have the same *rigour* to the analysis of phenotypic and genotypic data.

An overview of the process





Phenotypic Data observation



Raw description of our example:

Let us take the following example: Eucleg's Soy data for 1 trial over 2 years.

There is 15 columns, including:

- Field information : Plot, Row, Colum, Trial, Year
- Genetic information : EntryNo, EUCLEGID, Accession name
- Trait of interest : Seed yield, Protein content
- Explanatory variables: R1 (beginning of flowering), R2 (full flowering), R5 (start of seed filling), R8 (maturity)

For the example we are going to look at the protein content trait only

Response variable protein content



Descriptive statistics summarize data to facilitate the exploration :

✓ Include measures of centrality

the mean: 42.34
the median: 42.13

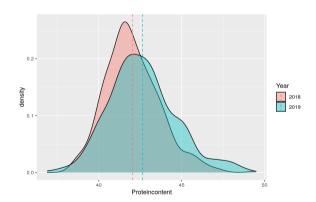
✓ Include measures of dispersion

the deviation : 1.88
the range 36.9, 49.48

Response variable protein content



I look at the distribution and the phenotypic mean of the traits depending on the year. The distribution looks normal for the two years



Explanatory variable R8



Descriptive statistics summarize data to facilitate the exploration :

✓ Include measures of centrality

the mean : 122.19
the median : 123

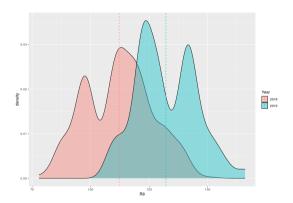
✓ Include measures of dispersion

the deviation: 16.79 the range 78, 166

Explanatory variable R8

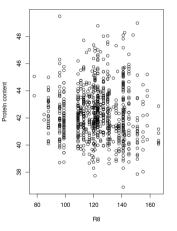


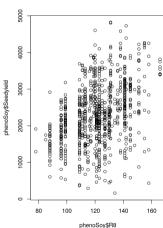
The distribution is not normal but bimodal.











Genotyping data - missing values



An important aspect in genotyping data is missing data:

- woheadrightarrow reasonable number of missing data woheadrightarrow several solutions are possible
 - imputation software (BEAGLE, FImpute, AlphaImpute) can be used, or
 - imputation with the mean or allelic frequency

Genotyping data - missing values



There is no fixed threshold for determining whether the number of missing data is reasonable or not, it depends on the population of interest:

- Access to pedigree and full genotyping in the parents \rightsquigarrow imputation of 80% or even 90%
- \sim Complete independent individuals \sim beyond 1% or 2% of the population, the bias brought about by imputation can be critical.

Genotyping data



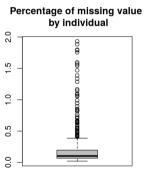
In the following example there is:

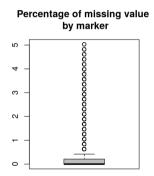
Visualisation of missing data



In the present situation, the number of missing value is really low (0.211%)

⇒ I replaced the missing value by the minor allelic frequency

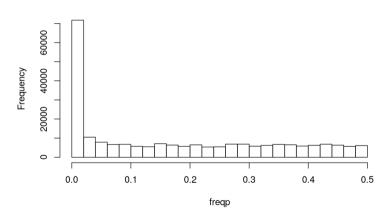








Histogram of freqp



SNPs trimming



We remove SNPs with a MAF of less than 0.01 (62,863 SNPs are concerned)

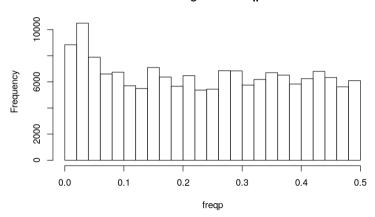
At this frequency a very large number of individuals are needed to be able to estimate their effect correctly.

To let them bias the analysis would be a mistake.

SNP trimming



Histogram of freqp



Visualization Marker density along the genome



Observation of the distribution of markers along the chromosomes.

There is 99.2041376 % of the markers on the chromosomes, the rest on the scaffolds.

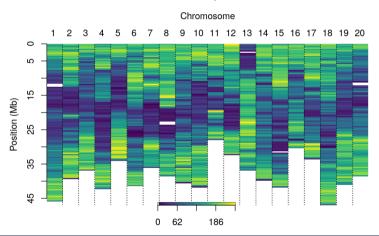
When the physical position of the markers is available, it can be interesting to look at their distribution.

Are there areas of the genome that are absent or less well covered by genotyping?





SNP Density / 500 kb



Linkage disequilibrium



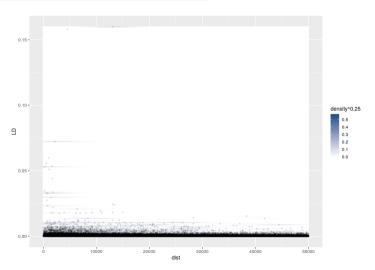
The Linkage disequilibrium is the Non random association between alleles from different (linked) loci.

A quick way to do this is to calculate a partial correlation squared.

When we have the physical (or genetic map) we can represent it according to the distance as here with chromosome 1







Genetic structure



The genetic structure can be asses with several softwares and methods :

- → The R package Adegenet (Discriminant Analysis of Principal Components (DAPC))

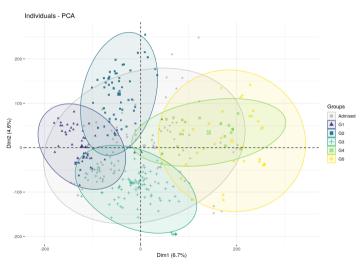
If a structure in the population is observed. It is always interesting to represent it graphically.

The structure can be used later for :

- ♣ QTL detection
- ata adjustment
- which to optimize the creation of training and validation populations.

Visualisation - Genetic structure





Visualisation - Pedigree



In some case, the pedigree information is available but not the genotypes

The pedigree is a kind of genetic structure

## 1: EUC_GM_009 EUC_GM_239 <	<an></an>
## 2: EUC_GM_050 EUC_GM_179 <	
## 3: EUC_GM_055 EUC_GM_204 <	<am></am>
## 4: EUC_GM_056 EUC_GM_328 <	
## 5: EUC_GM_072 EUC_GM_328 <	
## 6: EUC_GM_097 EUC_GM_604 EUC_GM_	615

Understanding the data



We carried out the first steps of observing the available data

Understanding the Response variables		Understanding the explanatory variables			Understanding the Genetic structure		
Graphs	Descriptive Statistics	Graphs	Cross- table	Freq	Graphs	Descriptive Statistics	Freq

Understanding the data



What did we learn from our observations

- 1. The response variables have a distribution close to normal
- 2. The explanatory variable R8 is not correlated with the response variable Proteincontent but has it with the variable Seedyield
- 3. The genotyping data are of good qulity
- 4. We have replaced the NA and removed the low frequency markers
- 5. A genetic structure was detected in the data
- 6. Not all phenotyped individuals are genotyped
- 7. . . .

Understanding the data



The next step concerns the outliers detection and the data transformation

There is no need to transform our response variable in our example.

In all case, It is necessary to be careful about data transformation



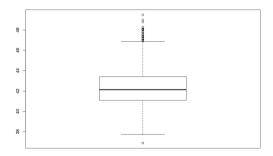
Outliers



Outliers can be detected with a boxplot.

The point after the brackets are outliers.

In the true worlds when there is a continuum like here, it is not outliers.



Linear models



Linear models are a good way of extracting the components of the phenotype and remove all undesired effects

Fit a linear model				
ANOVA	Model diagnostics			

Linear models and Phenotypes



Let us specify the writing of the linear model for any individual i (i = 1, ..., n) of a sample of size n:

$$Y_i = \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j X_i^j + U_i$$

- \checkmark Y_i is the true response random variable
- $ightharpoonup U_i$ is the true error random variable, assumed to be $\mathcal{N}(0,\,\sigma^2)$ and independent
- \mathscr{N} β_j are coefficients, unknown parameters, to be estimated : generally random effects
- $\stackrel{\mathcal{Y}}{\sim} X_i^j$ are the values of the explanatory variables : generally fixed effects

Linear models and Phenotypes



Matrix notation

$$Y = X\beta + U$$

- $\stackrel{\checkmark}{\sim} Y$ and U are random vectors
- $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\sim} X$ is a matrix $n \times p$
- \nearrow β is the vector p parameters.

In our example



The model:

$$Y_{jk} = \mu + s_k + g_j + e_{jk}$$

 Y_{ik} : phenotype of the j^{th} genotype in the k^{th} spatial location (row and column)

 Ψ μ : overall mean

 $\stackrel{\checkmark}{\sim} s_k$: the effect of the k^{th} spatial location

 \mathcal{Y} g_i : the genetic effect of the j^{th} genotype

 $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e_{ik}$: the residual

In our example



The model:

$$Y_{jk} = \mu + s_k + g_j + e_{jk}$$

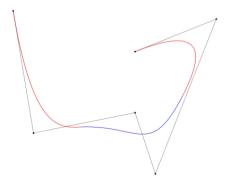
We are going to integrate in our model:

- the intercept
- a genetic effect: via the EUCLEDID code, the genetic structure or molecular markers
- → a spatial effect: plot (xy coordinates), calculated with a Bi-spline model
- w the residual

Bi-splines



- A B-spline is a linear combination of positive splines
- → B-splines are the generalisation of the Bézier curves
- The shape of the basic functions is determined by the position of the nodes.
- The curve is within the convex envelope of the control points.



Linear model and Phenotypic adjustment



For GWAS or GS cases, the only parts of the phenotype we are interested in are:

- the genetic part
- the residual part.

We want the phenotyes to be cleaned of ground and environmental effects

Linear model and Phenotypic adjustment



It is possible to do this year by year or to combine years.

Let's take the example of the year 2018 for the protein content.

I will use an "EuclegID" effect to represent the genetic effect

I use the R package breedR to do it.





BreedR function



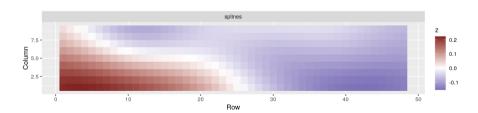


```
## Formula: Proteincontent ~ 0 + Intercept + EUCLEGID + spatial
     Data: phenoSoy[phenoSoy$Year == 2018, ]
##
##
   AIC
            BIC logLik
## 1484 unknown -739
##
## Parameters of special components:
## spatial: n.knots: 12 9
##
## Variance components:
##
            Estimated variances
## EUCLEGID
                        2,47300
## spatial
                        0.03121
## Residual
                        0.23300
##
```

Linear model and Phenotypic adjustment



Spatial effet :

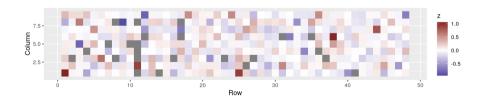




Linear model and Phenotypic adjustment



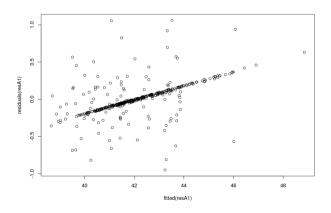
Residuals







Fitted values vs Residuals



Linear model and Phenotypic adjustment



Heritability

[1] 0.9034747

Linear model and Phenotypic adjustment - 2019



We are doing the same for the second year.

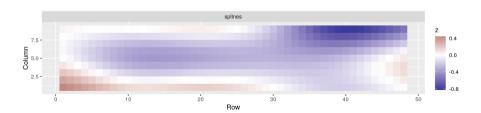
Heritability

[1] 0.8198598





It is clear that the field effect is different between the two year.





Now We make a model that combines the two years. This will allow a better estimate of the genetic value of individuals because several years of phenotyping will be cumulated.

The model:

$$Y_{ijk} = \mu + s_{kl} + g_j + a_i + e_{ijkl}$$

 Y_{ijk} : phenotype of the j^{th} genotype in the i^{th} year of the k^{th} spatial location (row and column)

u: overall mean

 $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\sim} s_k$: the effect of the k^{th} spatial location

 \nearrow g_i : the genetic effect of the i^{th} genotype

 $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a_i$: the year effect

 $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\sim} e_{iik}$: the residual

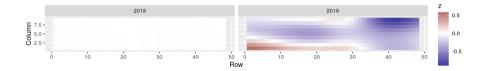


```
Glob res <- remlf90(
 fixed = Proteincontent ~ 1 + Year.
 random = ~ EUCLEGID.
 generic = list(sp18 = list(inc.sp18,
                             breedR:::get_structure(sp18)),
                 sp19 = list(inc.sp19,
                             breedR:::get structure(sp19))
 data = phenoSoy,
 method = 'em'
```



```
## Formula: Proteincontent ~ 0 + Intercept + Year + EUCLEGID
     Data: phenoSoy
##
## AIC BIC logLik
## 3023 unknown -1508
##
## Parameters of special components:
##
##
## Variance components:
         Estimated variances
##
## EUCLEGID
                      2.415000
                      0.002286
## sp18
## sp19
                      0.338500
## Residual
                      0.890300
```









This is equivalent to making a genomic evaluation.

A basic formula is:

$$y = \mu + Xg + \epsilon$$

- $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} g$ is a vector $(p \times 1)$ of GEBV,
- \checkmark X a design matrix linking observations to individuals.

GEBVs follow a normal distribution, with a *covariance* between effects modelled through an *additive relationship matrix* that is derived from markers for GEBV or from pedigree in classical pedigree-based BLUPs.

I will give the details when we discuss GWAS and genomic selection.





In breedR

```
Glob_res_lopez <- remlf90(
 fixed = Proteincontent ~ 1 + Year.
  # random = ~ 1, # If you need random effects
 generic = list(genetic = list(inc.H,HX),
                 sp18 = list(inc.sp18,
                             breedR:::get structure(sp18)),
                 sp19 = list(inc.sp19,
                             breedR:::get structure(sp19))
 data = phenoSoy,
 method = 'em'
```

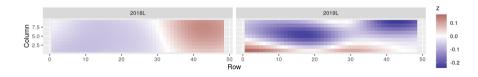




```
## Formula: Proteincontent ~ 0 + Intercept + Year
##
     Data: phenoSoy
   AIC BIC logLik
##
## 2876 unknown -1434
##
## Parameters of special components:
##
##
## Variance components:
                   Estimated variances
##
## generic genetic
                               2,46900
## sp18
                               0.01584
## sp19
                               0.06144
## Residual
                               0.95260
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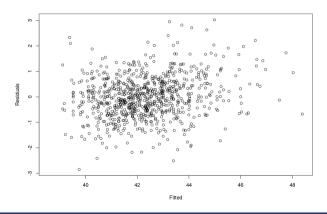


Spatial effect





[1] 0.7056544



Summary



We have just seen that the model combining the data from the two rating years gives better results.

For the following steps, two solutions are possible:

- Either we use the combined model without the modular data.
- Either we use the combined model with the molecular data.

In both cases, the part due to the year and the spatial effect will be removed from the phenotype, leaving only the genetic and residual part.

We are ready to perform GWAS and/or GS

GWAS



The GWAS can be used in several situations.

Firstly, when seeking to determine the genetic architecture of a trait of ecological or agronomic interest.

It is also useful in the context of Marker Assisted Breeding and Genomic Selection.



GWAS aims at determine the association between the phenotype and genotype of individuals in a population by the way of linear regression.

Some parameters influence the GWAS results :

Population structure: Allele frequencies vary across sub-populations and cause long-range disequilibrium, i.e. between unlinked loci



Several methods have been developed over the years to perform GWAS :

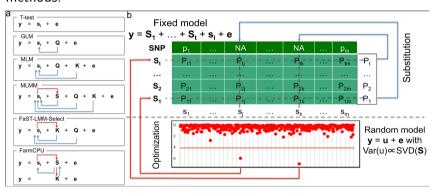
- ✓ GRAMMAR (Aulchenko et al., 2007)
- → P3D (Zhang et al., 2010) & EMMAX (Kang et al., 2010)

- MixABEL (Aulchenko, et al.)

- ✓ MLMM (Segura et al., 2012)
- ✓ FarmCPU (Liu et al, 2016)
- ¥ ...



A very good illustration in the paper of Liu et al, 2016 shows the differences between the methods.



MLMM



We are going to test the MLMM with the genomic relationship matrix.

As the genomic relationship matrix includes information on both population structure and relatedness, it is in general not useful to consider admixture information as fixed effects covariates (Astle and Balding 2009).

This method is a stepwise model regression with a forward inclusion and a backward elimination.

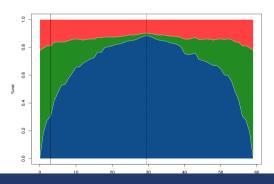
This limits the space of the model to be explored and makes the method computationally efficient.





Graph showing the variance explained by the SNPs at each stage :

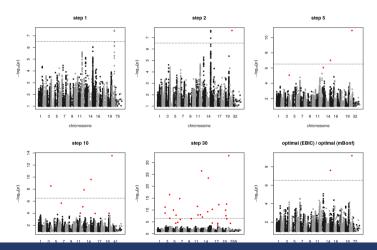
- ✓ In red the residual variance
- ✓ In green the genetic variance
- In blue the variance explained by the QTLs detected.



MLMM - Proteincontent



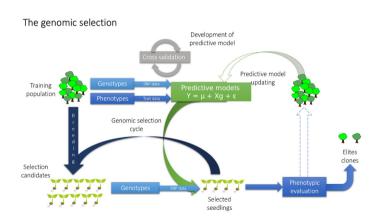
Representation of the QTLs detected with different step of the MLMM.



Genomic Selection



Genomic selection (GS) is the direct descendant of marker-assisted selection (SAM)



Accuracy of genomic selection



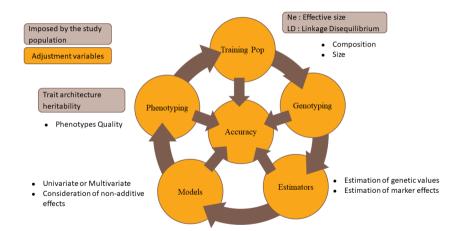
The accuracy of genomic prediction: the correlation between the true breeding value (TBV) and its estimate (GEBV: Genomic Estimated Breeding Value).

If the observed values are phenotypes, the accuracy of prediction : $\frac{predictive-ability}{\sqrt{h2}}$

 $(r_{GEBV,TBV} = r_{GEBV,Phenotypes}/\sqrt{h}^2)$ (Falconer, 1981).

Accuracy of genomic selection





Other quality criteria



The predicting ability (or accuracy) is the most common criteria

Other complementary criteria for prediction quality are :

wodelightharpoonup the slope : should be close to 1

ightharpoonup the intercept : close to zero (but it is not a critical biais)

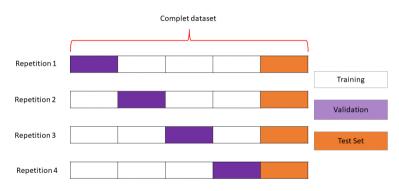
These two parameter allow to observe model's deficiencies :

- wrong variance partition
- incomplete model,
- → nonrandom choice of individuals for training and validation population

Cross-validation



Cross validation & Test Set



GBLUP and other models



Two main groups can be distinguished:

- approaches that estimate an additive effect associated with each marker
- approaches that directly give the additive value of individuals.

In recent years, several methods have been developed:

- derivatives of BLUP methods (Henderson, 1975),
- Bayesian methods and non-parametric methods (Gianola and van Kaam, 2008; Neves et al., 2012 . . .).

Roughly, the different strategies are thought to accommodate implicitly different underlying genetic a architectures of quantitative traits:

- with a variety of heterogeneous effects across genes.

GEBV



The formula to estimate GEBV : $y = \mu + Xg + \epsilon$

- $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} g$ is a vector (p \times 1) of GEBV,
- \nearrow X a design matrix linking observations to individuals.

GEBVs follow a normal distribution, with a **covariance** between effects modelled through an **additive relationship matrix** that is derived from :

- * markers for GEBV (GRM)
- * from pedigree in classical pedigree-based BLUPs (NRM)

GRM matrice



There are several methods for calculating this matrix G (or GRM) :

- the first methods uses a similarity index calculated for each locus: This method is based on the assumption that all identical alleles (IBS) are all identical by descent (IBD).
- This formula can be corrected by taking into account the probability of an allele being IBS for a locus by using the founder's genotypes.
- Another method is to correct the matrix G by twice the allele frequency of the minor allele as in equation (VanRaden 2007, Habier 2008).



We will see an example of ganomic predictions.

Here I varied the size of the training population.

I divided the data as follows:

≥ 20% in test

Training: 20%, 50% or 70%.

Validation: 80%, 50%, 70%.

Just as a reminder: The phenotypes of the individuals in the validation and test population are masked and the model must predict them.



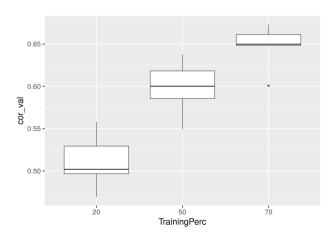
We will look at the quality of the prediction with the following parameters:

- Predictive ability
- Accuracy
- the Ranking
- the slope

10 repetitions have been performed

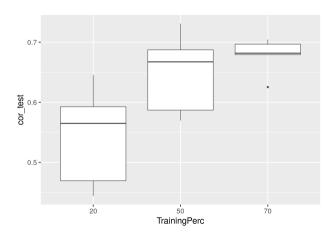


The predicting ability in validation



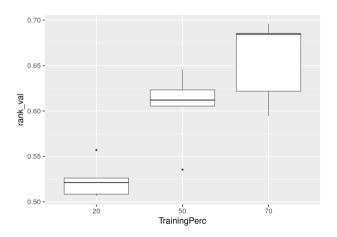


In the test Set



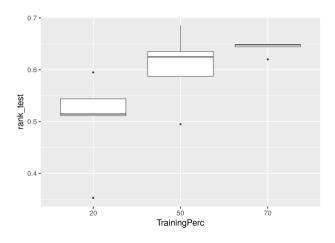


The ranking in validation



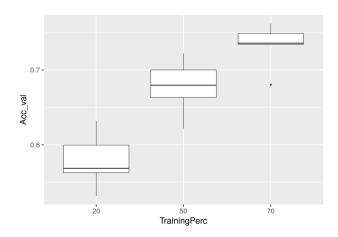


Then in Test Set



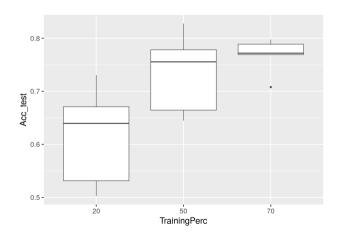


The accuracy in validation



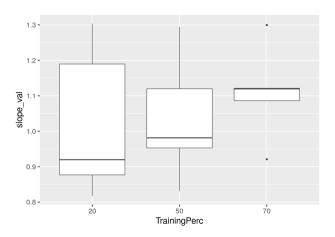


Then in Test Set



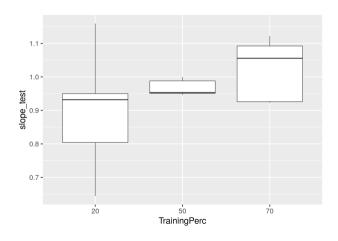


The slope in validation





Then in Test Set



To go further



This example is very simple, to go further in your analysis you can :

- Test several different marker sets
 - selected according to the LD
 - Around the QTLs
 - According to the recombination rate
- Optimising the choice of individuals of the training population
- ✓ Using non infinitesimal models
- Using GWAS data in your predictions
- Multiple-trait
- ¥ ...

R, Rstudio and RMarkdown

Quick introduction



In recent years R has become the statistical programming language :

- statisticians
- the most widely used generic environment for analysis of high-throughput genomic data.

R's core strength are :

- * the literally thousands of packages freely available
- There is a good chance that for any given task there already is a package that can do the job at hand

Quick introduction



More specifically for genome-wide association studies (GWAS) or genomic Selection (GS), there are hundreds of packages available for the various analytical steps.

There are packages for :

- importing a wide range of data formats,
- preprocessing data,
- w to perform quality control tests,
- w to run the analysis per se,
- A large number of new algorithms and methods are published and at the same time released as an R package,

Quick introduction



R is **free** (released under the GNU public license).

It is free to use, free to modify, and an open source.

R is also **platform independent**.

Scripts will *generally* run on any operating system without changes, only a small number of packages are not available on all platforms.

Since R is a scripted language it is very easy to essentially assemble various packages, add some personalized routines, and chain-link it all into a full analysis pipeline all the way from raw data to final report.

R



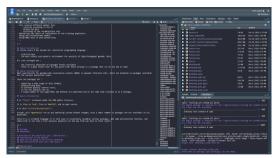




Rstudio







Rmarkdown



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In genome-wide association studies :
 * Determine the **relationships between phenotypes and genotypes**
 * Rare phenotypes and their associated genotypes are of great interest
**False Rare phenotypes** $\Rightarrow$ leads to the detection of false OTLs or inaccurate prediction
To avoid this $\Rightarrow$ bring the same *rigour* to the analysis of phenotypic and genotypic data.
The first sten is data observation.
Let us take the following example: Eucleg's Soy data for 1 trial over 2 years.
We will apply the following process steps
![First step](Process1.png)(width=70%.)
```{r data-server-loading-vcf}
 0 X 1
geno <- fread("DataSet/euclegnewblastsorted.vcf", stringsAsFactors = F) #read the file and
ped <- fread("DataSet/Pedigree Soia.txt".header=T. na.strings = "")
pheno18 <- fread("DataSet/IFVCNS 2018.txt", header = T.na.strings = "NA", dec = ",", strings AsFactors = F)
pheno18$Trial <- "IFVCNS" # Create a column and fill it with the character string "IFV
nheno18$Vear <- 2018 # Create a column and fill it with 2018
pheno19 <- fread("DataSet/IFVCNS 2019.txt".header = I.na.strings = "NA".dec = ".".stringsAsFactors = E)
pheno19$Trial <- "IFVCNS"
pheno19$Year <- 2019
genoet_struc<- fread("DataSet/Genetic_structure.txt",header = T,na.strings = "NA",stringsAsFactors = F)
phenoSoy <- rbind(pheno18.pheno19) #Concatenates data by lines
rm(pheno18, pheno19)
```

Overview of the practical part





Soybean Dataset field experiment of IFVCNS in 2018 and 2019

#### There is 15 columns, including:

- Genetic information : EntryNo, EUCLEGID, Accessionname
- Trait of interest : Seed yield, Protein content
- Explanatory variables: R1 (beginning of flowering), R2 (full flowering), R5 (start of seed filling), R8 (maturity)

#### The genomic data:

## What are we going to do in this workshop?



- Obervation and understanding of data
  - Dataset Visualization and Preparation
- - NRM matrice
  - GRM matrice
  - Hybrid matrice
- Heritability estimation
- Estimation of genetic correlation with a multiple-trait model
- Phenotypic adjustment
- GWAS
- Genomic Selection

  - Q-GBLUP

## How the practical part will take place?



#### The differents steps:

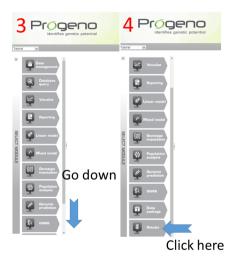
- 1. download the following files from the platform:
  - complete dataset file
  - the slides
  - the workshop file
- 2. Go to the Rstudio de progeno (procedure in the following slides)
- 3. Create a working folder
- 4. Download the data from your computer to progeno or use the database to extract and import them into Rstudio.
- 5. Start the tutorial
- 6. Try on your own data or use the sample data

Pratical part

### step 2

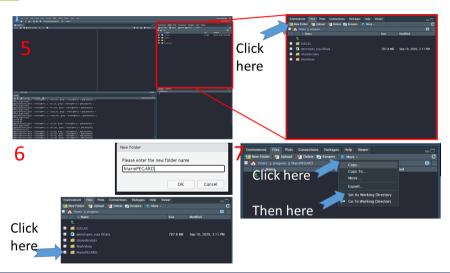






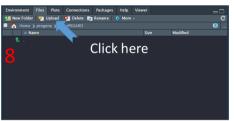
## Step 3





## Step 4







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Let's GO!

### just few last point



If you needs help please email me: marie.pegard@inrae.fr

I may have forgot tu write some explaination to understand how works a function use ?function\_name (example ?summary )

Take your time to test and look the results. Even if you don'ont have the time to do eveything !

At the end I will give you the scripts that I used to generate the pdf and the slides.

I will also provide a script with "all-inclusive" fucntion to performe genomic prediction.