Animal Model and Genomic BLUP

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Animal Model

- Extension of sire model
- Include dams in pedigree
- Predict breeding values for all animals in the pedigree

Dataset

Animal	Sire	Dam	Sex	WWG
4	1	NA	М	4.5
5	3	2	F	2.9
6	1	2	F	3.9
7	4	5	М	3.5
8	3	6	Μ	5.0

where NA stands for unknown

The Model

$$y = Xb + Zu + e$$



$$E(\mathbf{e}) = \mathbf{0}$$
$$var(\mathbf{e}) = \mathbf{I} * \sigma_e^2$$
$$E(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$$
$$var(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{A} * \sigma_u^2$$

with numerator relationship matrix $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{A}}$

Numerator Relationship Matrix A



$$(\mathbf{A})_{ii} = 1 + F_i$$

where F_i is the inbreeding coefficient

$$F_i = \frac{1}{2} * (\mathbf{A})_{sd}$$

Off-diagonal elements

$$cov(u_i, u_j) = (\mathbf{A})_{ij} * \sigma_u^2$$

Example



Solution

- pedigreemm cannot handle such small datasets with only one observation per animal
- Mixed model equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} X^{\mathsf{T}}X & X^{\mathsf{T}}Z \\ Z^{\mathsf{T}}X & Z^{\mathsf{T}}Z + \lambda * A^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{b} \\ \hat{u} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X^{\mathsf{T}}y \\ Z^{\mathsf{T}}y \end{bmatrix}$$

with $\lambda = \sigma_e^2 / \sigma_u^2$

Genomic BIUP

- 1. Marker effect models (MEM): Linear mixed effects models with marker effects as random effects
- 2. Breeding-value based models (BVM): Genomic breeding values as random effects

Marker Effect Models

• Model $y = 1_n \mu + Wq + e$



$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{n}^{T}\mathbf{1}_{n} & \mathbf{1}_{n}^{T}W \\ W^{T}\mathbf{1}_{n} & W^{T}W + \lambda_{q}*I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mu} \\ \hat{q} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{n}^{T}y \\ W^{T}y \end{bmatrix}$$
with $\lambda_{q} = \sigma_{e}^{2}/\sigma_{q}^{2}$.

Breeding Value Models

Model

$$y = Xb + Zg + e$$

Solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} X^T X & X^T Z \\ Z^T X & Z^T Z + \lambda_g * G^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{b} \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X^T y \\ Z^T y \end{bmatrix}$$
with $\lambda_g = \sigma_e^2 / \sigma_g^2$.

Genomic Relationship Matrix

$$g = U \cdot q$$

with U = W - P and P has columns $2p_j - 1$ with p_j being the frequency of the positive allele at locus j.

$$var(g) = G * \sigma_g^2$$

$$var(g) = UU^T * \sigma_q^2$$

$$\sigma_g^2 = 2\sum_{j=1}^m p_j(1-p_j)\sigma_q^2$$

Genomic Relationship Matrix II

$$var(g) = G * \sigma_g^2 = UU^T \sigma_q^2$$

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