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Comparisons of three models for canalising selection or genetic robustness

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Introduction

- Two quantitative genetic models
 - SanCristobal et al. (1998)
 - Mulder et al. (2007)
- New features
 - A new model
 - Comparison of three existing models
 - A software that implements these models



General model

Homoscedastic linear mixed model:

$$y_{ij} = \mu_{ij} + u_i + \varepsilon_{ij}^* \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} \mu &: \text{fixed effects} \\ u &: \text{genetic effects} \\ \varepsilon_{ij}^* &\sim N(0, \sigma^2) \end{aligned}$$
$$\xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} y_{ij} = \mu_{ij} + u_i + \sigma \varepsilon_{ij} \quad \text{with} \quad \varepsilon_{ij} \sim N(0, 1)$$



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Heteroscedastic linear mixed model:

$$y_{ij} = \mu_{ij} + u_i + \sigma \varepsilon_{ij}$$
$$y_{ij} = \mu_{ij} + u_i + \underbrace{f(\eta_{ij}, v_i)}_{\eta: \text{fixed effects}} \varepsilon_{ij} \quad \text{with} \quad v: \text{genetic effects}$$

Different modelisations of $\sigma_{ij} = f(\eta_{ij}, v_i)$

- SanCristobal et al. 1998

$$\sigma_{ij} = \exp\left(\frac{\eta_{ij} + v_i}{2}\right) \varepsilon_{ij} \quad \text{Exp}$$

- Mulder et al. 2007

$$\sigma_{ij} = \sqrt{\eta_{ij} + v_i} \varepsilon_{ij} \quad \text{Sqr}$$

- Garcia et al. 2009 (working progress)

$$\sigma_{ij} = (\eta_{ij} + v_i) \varepsilon_{ij} \quad \text{Lin}$$



Simulated data

2000 related animals (5 generations, 1600 animals with records)
3 repeated records

	Mean	Variance
Fixed effects	F1, F2	F1, F3
Permanent effect	$\sigma_p^2 = 10$	$\sigma_{\tilde{p}}^2 = 0.5$
Genetic effect	$\sigma_u^2 = 20$	$\sigma_v^2 = 0.3$
Genetic correlation	$\rho = -0.6 ; 0 ; 0.3$	

Simulated data using each of the three models
Estimation parameters crossing models
Comparison criteria : estimated values, std, DIC

Simulation Results (estimated values)

each data with its model

	Simulated value	Estimated value
σ_u^2	19.83	18.268 ; 20.526
σ_v^2	0.2972	0.249 ; 0.318
ρ	0.2915	0.277 ; 0.338

Simulation Results (standard deviation)

each data with its model

Standard deviation of estimated value			
	Exp	Sqr	Lin
σ_u^2	1.553	1.361	0.368
σ_v^2	0.065	0.023	0.022
ρ	0.080	0.135	0.044

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Data	Exp	Sqr	Lin
Model			
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Model			
Exp	19183	10471	13536
Sqr	20322	10461	14930
Lin	18294	10463	12938

Real rabbit data

3669 related rabbit does from INRA selection experiment

68712 birth weight records

5 samples (80% for estimation, 20 % for prediction)

	Mean	Variance
Fixed effects	F 1 ... F 5	F 1 ... F 5
Permanent effect	σ_p^2	$\sigma_{\tilde{p}}^2$
Genetic effect	σ_u^2	σ_v^2
Genetic correlation	ρ	

Estimation parameters using each of three models

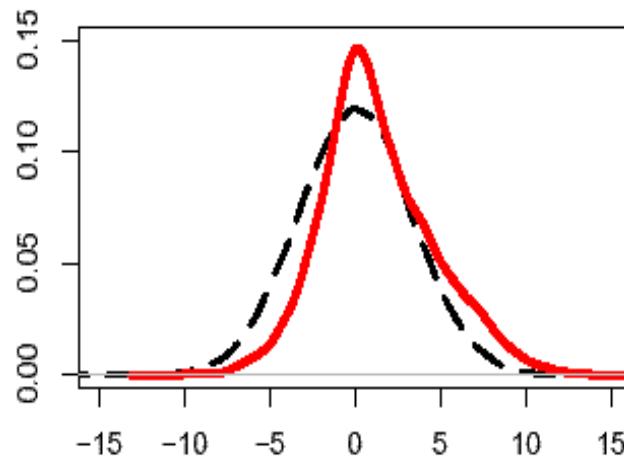
Comparison criteria : DIC , $\rho(y, \hat{y})$, $Var(y - \hat{y})$

Real data results

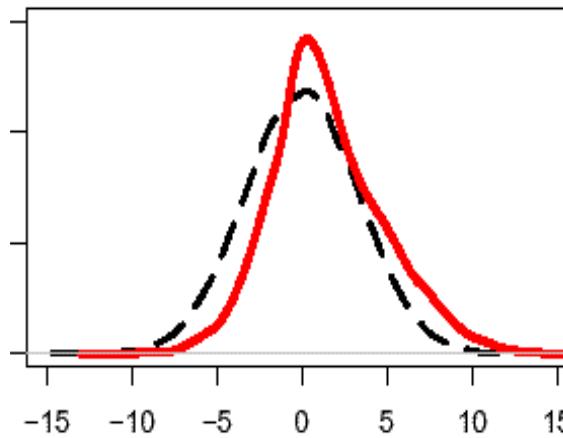
		Comparison criteria		
		Exp	Sqr	Lin
estimation	DIC	312145	311372	310463
	$Var(y - \hat{y})$	105.0	104.9	85.7
prediction	$\rho(y, \hat{y})$	0.499	0.499	0.498

Posterior distribution of u

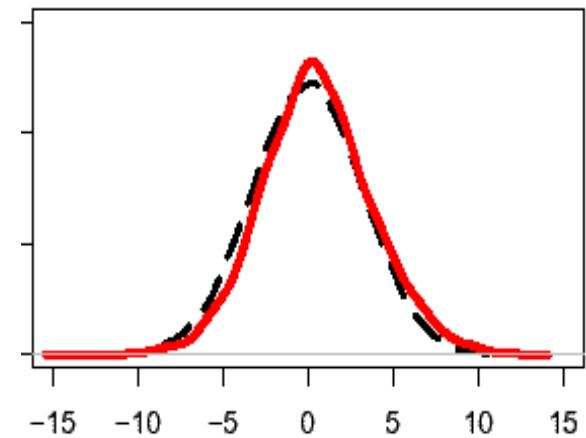
— estimated
- - - theoretical



Exp



Sqr



Lin



A user friendly software : GSEVMM v.4

- Extension from GSEVM (Sorensen D. and Ibañez N.)
- Fortran 90
- Bayesian-MCMC methods
 - Gibbs and Adaptative Metropolis Hasting
- Three possible structural mixed linear models



Conclusions and prospects

- Conclusions
 - Few differences between models
 - DIC values better for Sqr and Lin
 - Lin is an interesting alternative model

- Further works and extensions
 - Comparisons of genetic progress
 - Improvements of GSEVM v4