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Alternative single-step type genomic prediction equations

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Partitioning Genetic (Co)variances ⇒ General Model for Genomic Prediction

- Two sources of genetic (co)variances
 - 1. Explained by genomic differences between animals
 - Currently SNP based
 - But can also be known QTLs, major gene effects or copy-number variant (CNV) based effects
 - 2. Explained by pedigree ⇒ polygenic "residual"
- Logical choice
 - Random mixed inheritance model
 - Jointly modelling and estimating:
 - SNP (or similar) effects and
 - residual polygenic effects

General Model $y = X\beta + Zu^* + e = X\beta + Zu + ZQg + e$

Expectation and variances

$$E \begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \\ u^* \\ e \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and Var} \begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \\ u^* \\ e \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D & 0 & DQ' & 0 \\ 0 & G & G & 0 \\ QD & G & G^* & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & R \end{pmatrix}$$
with $G^* = G + QDQ' = G + F$

Remarks:

- G, Q and D can have whatever structure needed
- G always function of A (pedigree based relationship)
 and polygenic (co)variances G₀ (e.g., G = A ⊗ G₀)
- u*, G* where "*" indicates linked to polygenic AND SNP effects
- F strictly genomic (co)variance structure

Traditional MME for $y = X\beta + Zu^* + e = X\beta + Zu + ZQg + e$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + G^{*-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix}$$
(1)

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & X'R^{-1}ZQ \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z+G^{-1} & Z'R^{-1}ZQ & \hat{\beta} \\ Q'Z'R^{-1}X & Q'Z'R^{-1}Z & Q'Z'R^{-1}ZQ+D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u} \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ Q'Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix}$$
 (2)

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Simpler MME? ⇒ Similarity to Genetic Groups!

Alternative MME based on Quaas-Pollack Transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + G^{-1} & -G^{-1}Q \\ 0 & -Q'G^{-1} & Q'G^{-1}Q + D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix}$$
 (3)

- Please note three advantages:
 - 1. Inverted **G** here based on inverted **A**, no genomic relationships!
 - ⇒ Major advantage, usual method to set-up A⁻¹
 - 2. Explicit equations for estimation of SNP effects (g)
 - 3. Direct estimation of $\hat{\mathbf{u}}^*$

General MME based on Quaas-Pollack Transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + G^{-1} & -G^{-1}Q \\ 0 & -Q'G^{-1} & Q'G^{-1}Q + D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Identification Of Two Blocks in Transformed MME – 1st Block

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + G^{-1} & -G^{-1}Q \\ 0 & -Q'G^{-1} & Q'G^{-1}Q + D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Identification Of Two Blocks in Transformed MME – 2nd Block

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z+G^{-1} & -G^{-1}Q \\ 0 & -Q'G^{-1} & Q'G^{-1}Q+D^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \hat{\hat{g}} \hat{g} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\[Q ' G^{-1}Q + D^{-1} \] \hat{g} = Q ' G^{-1} \hat{u}^* \]$$

Practical Considerations

- In practice not all animals genotyped
 - Non-genotyped animals = "1"
 - Genotyped animals = "2"
- Definition of direct SNP contribution to GEBV (dGV)
 - For genotyped animals:

$$\hat{\mathbf{d}}_2 = \mathbf{Q}_2 \hat{\mathbf{g}}$$

 For non-genotyped animals predicted from dGV of genotyped animals using selection index theory:

$$\hat{\mathbf{d}}_{1} = \mathbf{G}_{12}\mathbf{G}_{22}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{d}}_{1} = \mathbf{G}_{12}\mathbf{G}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}_{2}\hat{\mathbf{g}}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{1} = \mathbf{G}_{12}\mathbf{G}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}_{2}$$

Not All Animals Are Genotyped (System II: "SNP" System)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}' \, \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{D}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{g}} = \mathbf{Q}' \, \mathbf{G}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{u}}^*$$

$$\mathbf{G}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}^{11} & \mathbf{G}^{12} \\ \mathbf{G}^{21} & \mathbf{G}^{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{12} \mathbf{G}_{22}^{-1} \\ \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} -(\mathbf{G}^{11})^{-1} \mathbf{G}^{12} \\ \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_{2}$$

$$\left[\mathbf{Q}_{2}'\mathbf{G}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}_{2}+\mathbf{D}^{-1}\right]\hat{\mathbf{g}}=\mathbf{Q}_{2}'\mathbf{G}_{22}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{2}^{*}$$

NB: 1 = non-genotyped, 2 = genotyped animals

Not All Animals Are Genotyped (System I: "BLUP" System)

First assume only genotyped animals have records

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + G_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}_{2}^{*} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y + G_{22}^{-1}Q_{2}\hat{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

 Recovering genetic (co)variance not explained by strictly polygenic effect by assuming proportionality between polygenic and total (co)variance:

$$\textbf{G} = \phi \textbf{T} \ \ \textbf{then} \ \ \textbf{G}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\phi} \textbf{T}^{-1}$$

• Predicting animals without genotypes $\hat{u}_1^* = T_{12}T_{22}^{-1}\hat{u}_2^*$

Further Modification "BLUP" System

Introducing T₂₂⁻¹

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + T_{22}^{-1} + G_{22}^{-1} - T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}_2^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y + G_{22}^{-1}Q_2\hat{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Predicting animals without genotypes inside MME (Henderson, 1976)
- Lifting restriction on records only for animals 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & T^{12} \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + G_{22}^{-1} - T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}_1^* \\ \hat{u}_2^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ G_{22}^{-1}Q_2\hat{g} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Further Modification "BLUP" System

• Using again $G^{-1} = \frac{1}{\phi}T^{-1}$, following MME are derived

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & T^{12} \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\frac{1}{\phi} - 1)T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}_{1}^{*} \\ \hat{u}_{2}^{*} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\phi}T_{22}^{-1}Q_{2}\hat{g} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

 Please note similarity to Bayesian procedures to integrate external information into genetic evaluations (Vandenplas and Gengler, 2012)

Reassembling Systems I and II

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & T^{12} \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\frac{1}{\phi} - 1)T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T_{22}^{-1}Q_2 \end{bmatrix} & \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

Reassembling Systems I and II

$$\begin{bmatrix} \textbf{X'}\textbf{R}^{-1}\textbf{X} & \textbf{X'}\textbf{R}^{-1}\textbf{Z} & \textbf{0} \\ \textbf{Z'}\textbf{R}^{-1}\textbf{X} & \textbf{Z'}\textbf{R}^{-1}\textbf{Z} + \begin{bmatrix} \textbf{T}^{11} & \textbf{T}^{12} \\ \textbf{T}^{21} & \textbf{T}^{22} + \left(\frac{1}{\phi} - 1\right)\textbf{T}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} \textbf{0} \\ \textbf{T}_{22}^{-1}\textbf{Q}_2 \end{bmatrix} & \hat{\textbf{g}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{u}}^* \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{g}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \textbf{X'}\textbf{R}^{-1}\textbf{y} \\ \textbf{Z'}\textbf{R}^{-1}\textbf{y} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{g}} \end{bmatrix} \\ \textbf{0} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} \textbf{0} & \textbf{Q}_2 \textbf{'}\textbf{T}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} & \frac{1}{\phi}(\textbf{Q}_2 \textbf{'}\textbf{T}_{22}^{-1}\textbf{Q}_2 + \phi\textbf{D}^{-1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Alternative MME using strictly genomic (co)variances F

Equivalence with Single-Step MME

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ Z'R^{-1}X & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & T^{12} \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\frac{1}{\phi} - 1)T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 & -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} & \frac{1}{\phi} (T_{22}^{-1} + \phi F^{-1}) \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3)

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ X'R^{-1}Z & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & T^{12} \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\phi T_{22} + F)^{-1} - T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix}$$
(4)

Equivalence derived from:

- 1. Absorb equations for d into those for u*
- 2. Apply rules inverse of sum of matrices:

$$\left(\phi \mathbf{T_{22}} + \mathbf{F}\right)^{\!\!\!-1} = \frac{1}{\phi} \mathbf{T}_{22}^{\!\!\!-1} - \frac{1}{\phi} \mathbf{T}_{22}^{\!\!\!-1} \! \left(\mathbf{T}_{22}^{\!\!\!-1} + \phi \mathbf{F}^{\!\!\!-1} \right)^{\!\!\!-1} \! \mathbf{T}_{22}^{\!\!\!-1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ T^{11} & T^{12} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T^{-1} & T^{22} + (\frac{1}{\phi} - 1)T_{22} \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ X'R^{-1}Z & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & T^{12} \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\phi T_{22} + F)^{-1} - T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix}$$

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Often called genomic (co)variance matrix (infact combined one with implicit weights)

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & & X'R^{-1}Z \\ X'R^{-1}Z & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & & & \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\phi T_{22} + F)^{-1} - T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ T^{11} & T^{12} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T^{-1}Z \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} 0 & T^{-1}_{22} \end{bmatrix} & \frac{1}{\phi}(T^{-1}_{22} + \phi F^{-1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition of polygenic "residual" as part of total genetic (co)variance T

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R \\ X'R^{-1}Z & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & & & & \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\phi T_{22} + F)^{-1} - T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ T^{11} & T^{12} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T^{-1}Z^{-1} \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^{*} \\ \hat{d}_{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 & -\frac{1}{\phi}\begin{bmatrix} 0 & T^{-1}_{22} \end{bmatrix} & \frac{1}{\phi}(T^{-1}_{22} + \phi F^{-1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

F represents strictly genomic (co)variance matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z \\ X'R^{-1}Z & Z'R^{-1}Z + \begin{bmatrix} T^{11} & T^{12} \\ T^{21} & T^{22} + (\phi T_{22} + F)^{1} - T_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^{*} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}X & X'R^{-1}Z & 0 \\ T^{11} & T^{12} & -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T^{-1} & T^{22} \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta} \\ \hat{u}^* \\ \hat{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'R^{-1}y \\ Z'R^{-1}y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 \qquad -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & T_{-1}^{-1} \\ 0 & T_{-2}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \frac{1}{\phi} (T_{-2}^{-1} + \phi F^{-1})$$

Weight here defined as constant across all traits, however equations can be modified to allow different weights across traits

Most Useful MME No F-1 Needed

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X'R^{-1}X} & \mathbf{X'R^{-1}Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{Z'R^{-1}X} & \mathbf{Z'R^{-1}Z} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{T}^{11} & \mathbf{T}^{12} \\ \mathbf{T}^{21} & \mathbf{T}^{22} + (\frac{1}{\phi} - 1)\mathbf{T}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} & -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{T}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}_{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{u}}^{\star} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{g}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X'R^{-1}y} \\ \mathbf{Z'R^{-1}y} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{g}} \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\frac{1}{\phi} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{Q}_{2} \mathbf{T}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{Q}_{2} + \phi \mathbf{D}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Alternative Single Step Genomic Prediction (SS-GP)
 - Allows combining advantages of SS-GP and MS-GP
- Different implementations, other advantages
 - Setting-up as one systems (cf. above) ⇒ direct solving
 - Setting-up two systems as seen before, some advantages:
 - Solving through parallel systems by updating RHS periodically
 - Alternative "SNP" Systems possible ⇒ alternative models, solvers
 - Excluding some u* (e.g., preferentially treated cows),
 adding other u* (e.g., external (G)EBV for external animals)

Conclusions

- Developed alternative genomic prediction equations have many advantages:
 - Explicit weighting of genomic (SNP) and polygenic effects
 - Direct estimation of SNP effects
 - Better use of High-Density SNP panels
 - Other genetic effects (e.g. CNV) can be accommodated
 - Direct estimation of GEBV effects
 - Genomic relationship matrix never explicitly formed, stored or inversed
 - Implementation straight-forward
 - Based on use of existing software
 - System I and System II can run in parallel (updating of RHS)
- But additional research required:
 - Especially to test and validate proposed method for large data sets

Final Remarks

General consensus

- Single-step methods combine all sources of information into accurate rankings for animals with and without genotypes
- Especially adapted for novel traits (e.g., milk fat composition) and more complex models (e.g., multitrait, random regression model)
- With increasing number of genotyped animals equivalent models not requiring inverting genomic relationship matrix

Therefore currently different research efforts

To get these equivalent models

This development complementary approach because

- Not based on (matrix of) relationship differences
- But on partitioning of genetic (co)variances
- However still inverse of A₂₂ needed ← New methods (Faux et al. 2012)

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