

# Single-Step genomic evaluation with many more genotyped animals

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## ssGBLUP is computational challenge

- Original single-step genomic evaluations were based on  $\text{var}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{H}$  that has the size of  $N_a$  (animals in evaluation).
- The critical parts in  $\mathbf{H}^{-1}$  are dense matrices  $\mathbf{G}^{-1}$  and  $\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$  that both have the size of number of genotyped animals  $N_{gta}$ .
  - ▶ In many current (beef and dairy cattle) genomic evaluations  $N_{gta} \gg 150\,000$



For  $\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$  sparse matrices are solution  
(in this session Strandén et al. 2016)

For  $\mathbf{G}^{-1}$  APY is one choice (in this session Misztal 2016)



APY has still finetuning

# Existing approaches have still room for improvement

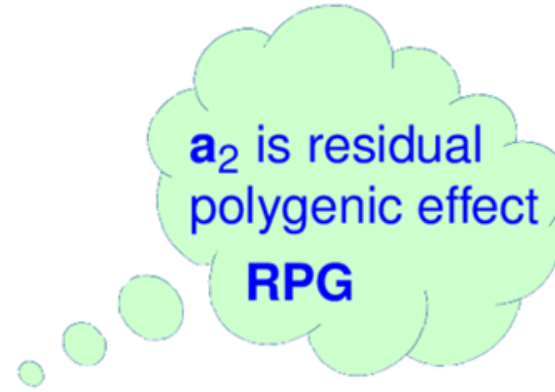
We present 2 alternative computational solutions for large scale single-step genomic evaluations:

1. single-step SNP-BLUP — revisiting Liu et al. (20144)
  - ▶ but now modeling observations with SNPs and polygenic BVs
2. ssTBLUP — using Woodbury matrix identity for  $\mathbf{G}^{-1}$  in ssGBLUP
  - ▶ i.e.,  $(\mathbf{G}_0 + k\mathbf{A}_{22})^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$  replaced by  $(\frac{1}{k} - 1)\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} + \mathbf{TT}'$

# A single-step SNP model: Definitions

Definitions adapted from Liu et al. (2014)

- A mixed linear model in a general form  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Xb} + \mathbf{Wu} + \mathbf{e}$ , with  $\mathbf{u}' = [\mathbf{u}'_1 \quad \mathbf{u}'_2]$
- For genotyped animals (group2)  $\mathbf{u}_2 = \mathbf{Zg} + \mathbf{a}_2$
- Distribution of SNP marker effects
  - ▶  $var(\mathbf{g}) = \mathbf{B}\sigma_g^2$
- Let  $k$  be the proportion of residual polygenic effect in  $\mathbf{u}_2$   
 $var(\mathbf{a}_2) = \mathbf{A}_{22}k\sigma_g^2$  and  $var(\mathbf{u}_2) = (\mathbf{ZBZ}' + k\mathbf{A}_{22})\sigma_g^2 = \mathbf{G}_{22}\sigma_g^2$
- It is possible to write  $\mathbf{u}_2$  (non-genotyped animals, group 1)  
 $\mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{Pu}_2 + \mathbf{d}$ 
  - ▶ with projection matrix  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{A}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$  and a deviation effect  $\mathbf{d}$ , with  $var(\mathbf{d}) = \mathbf{D}\sigma_g^2$



note that  $\mathbf{D} = (\mathbf{A}^{11})^{-1}$

## Joint variance of $\mathbf{u}$ and $\mathbf{g}$

$$\text{var} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{H} \sigma_g^2$$

Following Liu et al. (2014)

$$\mathbf{H}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}^{11} & \mathbf{A}^{12} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{A}^{21} & \mathbf{A}^{22} + \left(\frac{1}{k} - 1\right) \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} & -\frac{1}{k} \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{Z} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\frac{1}{k} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} & \mathbf{B}^{-1} + \frac{1}{k} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{Z} \end{bmatrix} \sigma_g^{-2}$$

# 1. Model with SNPs and residual polygenic effects

In Liu et al. the data model only included the aggregate breeding values  $\mathbf{u}_2$ .  
... Not the marker effects!

We can as well model  $\mathbf{y}$  using the marker effects and RPG separately

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Xb} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{W}_2 & \mathbf{W}_2\mathbf{Z} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{e}$$

Now we need the variance

$$\mathbf{H}_* \sigma_g^2 = \text{var} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Variance structure $\mathbf{H}_*$

We can write a matrix  $\mathbf{S}$  to map the  $\mathbf{u}_2$  and  $\mathbf{Zg}$  into  $\mathbf{a}_2$

$$\mathbf{S} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{Z} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{Zg} \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we get the variance structure for the mapped function

$$\text{var} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{S} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{S}' = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{Z} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \text{var} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{Z}' & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{H}_* \sigma_g^2$$

## And the inverse

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{H}_*^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{Z}' & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{Z} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$



# MME for ssSNP-BLUP

Model equations for all the observations

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} W_1 & 0 \\ 0 & W_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ W_2 Z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The mixed model equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X'X & X'_1W_1 & X'_2W_2 & X'_2W_2Z \\ W'_1X_1 & W'_1W_1 & 0 & 0 \\ W'_2X_2 & 0 & W'_2W_2 & W'_2W_2Z \\ Z'W'_2X_2 & 0 & Z'W'_2W_2 & Z'W'_2W_2Z \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & H^{11}_* & H^{12}_* & H^{13}_* \\ 0 & 0 & H^{21}_* & H^{22}_* & H^{23}_* \\ 0 & 0 & H^{31}_* & H^{32}_* & H^{33}_* \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{b} \\ \hat{u}_1 \\ \hat{a}_2 \\ \hat{g} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'y \\ W'_1y \\ W'_2y \\ Z'W'_2y \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\lambda = \sigma_e^2 / \sigma_g^2$

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## MME version with projection matrices

An alternative form can be presented using the projection matrix  $\mathbf{P}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A}^{22} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}) &= \mathbf{A}^{22} - (\mathbf{A}^{22} - \mathbf{A}^{21}(\mathbf{A}^{11})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{12}) = \mathbf{A}^{22} - \mathbf{A}^{22} + \mathbf{A}^{21}(\mathbf{A}^{11})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{12} \\ &= \mathbf{P}'\mathbf{A}^{11}\mathbf{P} \end{aligned}$$

This is because projection matrix can be written either  $\mathbf{A}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$  or  $-(\mathbf{A}^{11})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{12}$ .

With the terms of projection matrix, we can rewrite the MME:

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## 2. From ss-GBLUP to ssTBLUP

## ssGBLUP MME w. residual polygenic effects

Standard single-step GBLUP MME:

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where

$$\mathbf{M}_1 = \left( \frac{1}{k} - 1 \right) \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$$

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$$\mathbf{M}_2 = \frac{1}{k} \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{Z} \left( \frac{1}{k} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{B}^{-1} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \frac{1}{k}$$

Although  $\mathbf{M}_2$ -matrix looks cumbersome, it is computationally simple because the inverse is only done for  $p \times p$  matrix. Or actually inverse is not needed at all....

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