



Detecting perturbations in dairy cows liveweight trajectories

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Introduction Context

Precision Livestock Farming





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dairy cow





Model as an interpretive tool



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Model as an interpretive tool... to compare datasets



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Model as an interpretive tool... to analyze variability



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Model as an interpretive tool... to benchmark



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Model as an interpretive tool



Days after parturition

*PWM =Perturbed Weight Model

Dynamics key features

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Introduction Gomes et al., 2018. 69th EAAP PWM Rationale Ben Abdelkrim et al., 2019. PCI Anim. Sci.

PLM: Perturbed Lactation Model





Liveweight timeseries (France; commercial herds; Holstein)





Model description #1 Long term growth

West et al. 2001. Nature



Age (d)



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Model description Input: Parturition times



Age (d)

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Model description #2 Mid-term change in reserves



Age (d)



Model description Zoom: Parturition to next parturition



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Model description #3. Gravid uterus load

Laird, 1966. Growth



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Model description Rescale : baseline trajectory



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Model description #4. % depletion-repletion of reserves



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Model description Parameter n: time of nadir



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Model description Parameter n: time of nadir



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Model description Parameter h: time of half repletion



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Model description Parameter h: time of half repletion



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Model description Parameter k: intensity of depletion



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Model description Parameter k: intensity of depletion



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Model description Parameter c: shape of depletion



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Model description Parameter c: shape of depletion



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Model description Parameter r: shape of repletion



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Model description Parameter r: shape of repletion



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Model description Rescale baseline



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Model description UWM : Unperturbed Weight Model



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Model fit results Fitting UWM: liveweight decomposit^o

ID#00000002 Parity 3



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Model fit results Fitting UWM: "smart smoothing"



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250

100

15

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Model fit results Fitting PWM: 1 perturbation

ID#00000054 Parity 4



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Model fit results Fitting PWM: 1 perturbation

ID#00000221 Parity 2





Model fit results Fitting PWM: 1 perturbation

ID#00000239 Parity 2



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Model fit results Fitting PWM: 2 perturbations

ID#000000246 Parity 1



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Model fit results Fitting PWM: 3 perturbations

ID#000000732 Parity 3



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Discussion

#1 Interpretive NOT explicative

Liveweight = ... + reserves + digestive tract content





#2 We need DATA !

Availability + Quality



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Discussion

#3 Model identifiability ?

Locally identifiable

PWM fitting algorithm

▶ Repeated fits

Keep most often detected perturbations





Discussion #4 PLM+PWM

Detect simultaneous milk/liveweight perturbations





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Conclusion
Next steps*

*Fresh ideas welcome ! Come and see me at the coffee break. I'll be outside...

Fit on various datasets

▶ analyze variability, classify profiles, generate benchmarks

Optimize fitting algorithm

▶ make it fast, effective... and available for who wants !

Move forward real time decision support tool early detection of perturbation ?



"In theory, there is no difference between theory and practice. But, in practice, there is."

Jan L. A. van de Snepscheut

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