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A note on using 'forward prediction' to assess precision and bias of genomic predictions

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Motivation

- Investigation focuses on the property of reliabilities as measures of precision of estimates
 - How much will a future, more reliable estimate deviate from the current one?
 - How will selection affect the conditions in a validation sample?



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$$E(A|B) = \boldsymbol{\mu}_{A} + \boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{AB}\boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{B}^{-1}(B - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{B})$$

$$Var(A|B) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{A} - \boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{AB}\boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{0}\boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{BA} & \boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{AB}\boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{B}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{Bs} \\ \boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{Bs}\boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{B}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{BA} & \boldsymbol{\mathsf{V}}_{Bs} \end{bmatrix}$$
Henderson, 1975

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via simulation in multistep scenarios



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	100			
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	100	0.63		6.95		6.95
ΡΑ	25	0.45		6.95		8.88
EBV	75	0.47		6.49		8.71
PA/EBV	25/75	0.33		6.24		9.86



Table of expected values accounting for selection:

means

selection applied to	proportion selected (%)	Ø TBV	Ø PA	Ø GEBV	Ø EBV
	100	100	100	100	100
ΡΑ	25	109	109	109	109
EBV	75	105	102	103	105
PA/EBV	25/75	113	110	111	113



Table of expected values accounting for selection:

intercepts and slopes

selection applied to	proportion selected (%)	b0 _{TBV_GEBV}	b1 _{TBV_GEBV}	b0 _{EBV_GEBV}	b1 _{EBV_GEBV}
	100	0.00	1.00	7.37	0.93
РА	25	0.00	1.00	14.48	0.87
EBV	75	21.87	0.80	32.61	0.70
PA/EBV	25/75	28.30	0.76	46.15	0.60



General Conclusions

- squared correlations derived from CV can be heavily influenced by effects of selection on validation sample
 - selected animals (preselection on PA, selective genotyping, etc.)
 - data selection (best animals, most reliable animals, etc.)
- effects of selection might be hard to characterize both in scope and nature
- conclusions from CV-correlations about true precision and bias of estimates might be limited



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distribution of differences ("peSD proxy")

relatively robust: effects of selection are weak

could be a helpful extension to GEBV-test

approach capable for calculation of "expected b1" under selection

♦ using b1_{TBV_GEBV}: everything depends on deregression

• using b1_{EBV_GEBV}: tests simultaneously for coherence of estimates and assigned reliabilities



In the near future....



Perspectives





Thank you for your attention

