

# Bayesian Inference for QTLs in Inbred Lines

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## What is the Goal Today?

- show MCMC ideas
  - Gibbs sampler
  - Metropolis–Hastings
- handle hard problems
  - image analysis
  - genetics
  - large dependent data
- resampling our data
  - permutation tests
  - MCMC
  - other (bootstrap,...)
- Bayesian perspective
  - common in animal model
  - use "prior" information
    - previous experiments
    - related genomes
- inbred lines "easy"
  - can check against \*IM
  - ready extension
    - multiple experiments
    - pedigrees
    - non-normal data

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## Note on Outbred Studies

- Interval Mapping
  - Haley, Knott & Elsen (1994) *Genetics*
  - Thomas & Cortessis (1992) *Hum. Hered.*
  - Hoeschele & vanRaden (1993ab) *Theor. Appl. Genet.* (etc.)
  - Guo & Thompson (1994) *Biometrics*
- Nuances -- faking it
  - experimental outbred crosses
    - collapse markers from 4 to 2 alleles
  - pedigrees
    - polygenic effects not modeled here
    - related individuals are correlated (via coancestry)

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## Overview

- I: Single QTL
- II: Bayesian Idea
  - Bayes rule
  - posterior & likelihood
- III: MCMC Samples
  - Monte Carlo idea
  - study posterior
- IV: MCMC Details
- V: Multiple QTL
- VI: How many QTL?
  - Reversible Jump
  - analog to regression
- VII: RJ–MCMC Details
- VIII: Bayes Factors
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  - Software
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## Part I: Interval Mapping

- Modelling a trait with a QTL
  - linear model for trait given genotype
  - recombination near loci for genotype
- Likelihoods
- Review Interval Maps & Profile LODs

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## QTL Components

- observed data on individual
  - trait: field or lab measurement
    - log( days to flowering ) , yield, ...
  - markers: from wet lab (RFLPs, etc.)
    - linkage map of markers assumed known
- unobserved data on individual
  - geno: genotype (QQ=1/Qq=0/qq=-1)
- unknown model parameters
  - effects: mean, difference, variance
  - locus: quantitative trait locus (QTL)

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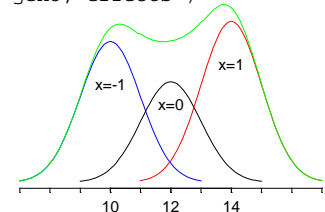
## Single QTL trait Model

- trait = mean + additive + error
- trait = effect\_of\_genotype + error
- $prob(\text{ trait } | \text{ geno, effects } )$

$$y_j = \mu + b^* x_j^* + e_j$$

$$\pi(y_j | x_j^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2)$$

$$= \phi\left(\frac{y_j - \mu - b^* x_j^*}{\sigma}\right)$$

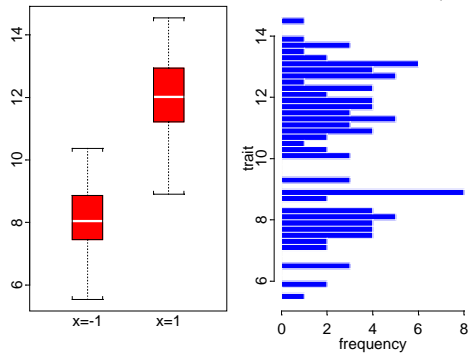


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## Simulated Data with 1 QTL



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## Recombination and Distance

- no interference--easy approximation
  - Haldane map function
  - no interference with recombination
- all computations consistent in approximation
  - rely on given map
    - marker loci assumed known
  - 1-to-1 relation of distance to recombination
  - all map functions are approximate
- assume marker positions along map are known

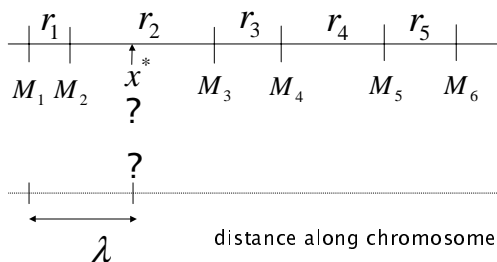
$$r = \frac{1}{2}(1 - e^{-2\lambda})$$

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markers, QTL & recombination rates



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## Interval Mapping of QT genotype

- can express probabilities in terms of distance
  - locus is distance along linkage map
  - flanking markers sufficient if no missing data
  - could consider more complicated relationship

$$prob(\text{ geno } | \text{ locus, map } ) = prob(\text{ geno } | \text{ locus, flanking markers } )$$

$$\pi(x_j^* | \lambda) = \pi(x_j^* | \lambda, M_{j,k}, M_{j,k+1})$$

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## Building trait Likelihood

- likelihood is mixture across possible genotypes
- sum over all possible genotypes at locus

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like( effects, locus | trait )
= sum of prob( trait, genos | effects, locus )
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$$L(\mu, b^*, \sigma^2, \lambda | y_j) = \pi(y_j | \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda)$$

$$= \sum_{x=-1,0,1} \pi(y_j | x; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) \pi(x | \lambda)$$

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## Likelihood over Individuals

- product of trait probabilities across individuals
  - product of sum across possible genotypes

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like( effects, locus | traits, map )
= product of prob( trait | effects, locus, map )
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$$L(\mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda | \mathbf{y}) = \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(y_j | \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda)$$

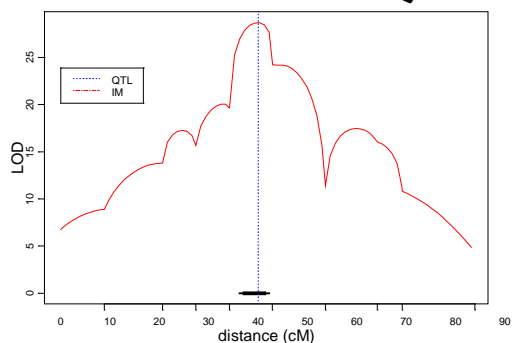
$$= \prod_{j=1}^n \sum_{x=-1,0,1} \pi(y_j | x; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) \pi(x | \lambda)$$

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## Profile LOD for 1 QTL



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## Interval Mapping for Quantitative Trait Loci

- profile likelihood (LOD) across QTL
  - scan whole genome locus by locus
    - use flanking markers for interval mapping
  - maximize likelihood ratio (LOD) at locus
    - best estimates of effects for each locus
    - EM method (Lander & Botstein 1989)

$$LOD(\lambda) = (\log_{10} e) \sum_{j=1}^n \ln \left( \frac{\sum_{x=-1,0,1} \pi(y_j | x; \hat{\mu}, \hat{b}^*, \hat{\sigma}^2) \pi(x | \lambda)}{\pi(y_j | \hat{\mu}, \hat{b}^* = 0, \hat{\sigma}^2)} \right)$$

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## Interval Mapping Tests

- profile LOD across possible loci in genome
  - maximum likelihood estimates of effects at locus
  - LOD is rescaling of  $L(\text{effects}, \text{locus} | \mathbf{y})$
- test for evidence of QTL at each locus
  - LOD score ( $LR$  test)
  - adjust (?) for multiple comparisons

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## Interval Mapping Estimates

- confidence region for locus
  - based on inverting test of no QTL
  - 2 LODs down gives approximate CI for locus
  - based on chi-square approximation to  $LR$
- confidence region for effects
  - approximate CI for effect based on normal
  - point estimate from profile LOD

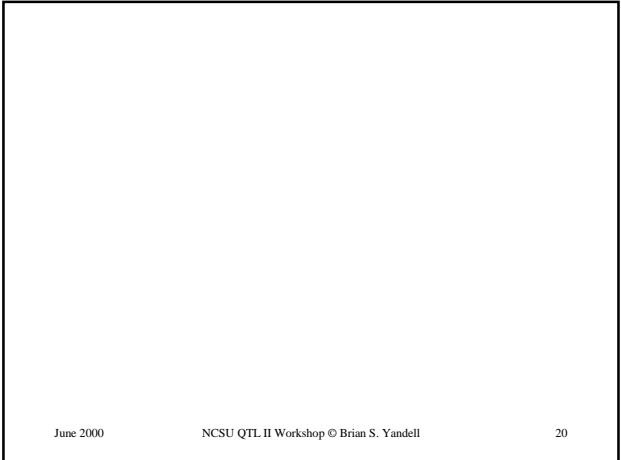
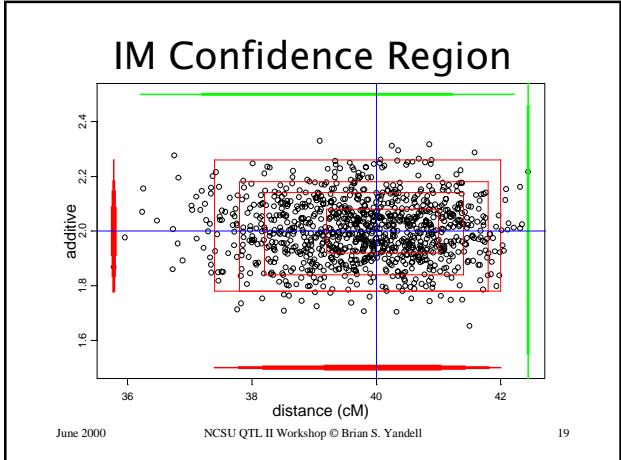
$$\text{locus CI} = \{ \lambda \mid LOD(\hat{\lambda}) - LOD(\lambda) < 2 \}$$

$$\text{effect CI} = \hat{b}^* \pm 1.96 \text{se}(\hat{b}^*)$$

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- ### Part II: Bayesian Idea
- joint distribution of known & unknown
    - known: trait, markers, linkage map
    - unknown: locus, genotype, effect, variance
  - Use Same Likelihood Components
    - trait given genotype
      - follows linear model
      - depends on size of effect, variance
    - genotype given locus, markers & map
      - depends on recombination near locus
  - Inference about unknowns
    - Bayes theorem
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### Bayes Theorem

- posteriors and priors
  - prior:  $prob(\text{parameters})$
  - posterior:  $prob(\text{parameters} | \text{data})$
- posterior = likelihood \* prior / constant
- posterior distribution is proportional to
  - likelihood of parameters given data
  - prior distribution of parameters

$$\pi(\text{param} | \text{data}) = \frac{\pi(\text{param}, \text{data})}{\pi(\text{data})} = \frac{\pi(\text{data} | \text{param}) \times \pi(\text{param})}{\pi(\text{data})}$$

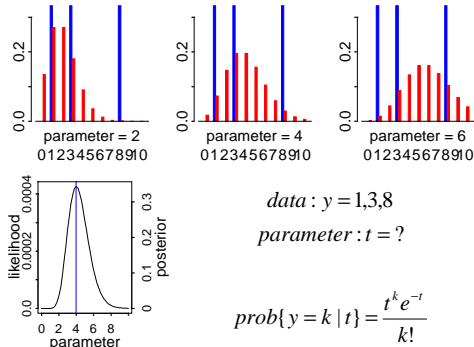
$$\pi(\text{param} | \text{data}) \propto \pi(\text{data} | \text{param}) \times \pi(\text{param}) / C$$

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- ### What is Probability?
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|---|--|
| <p><b>Frequentist Analysis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>repeat experiment           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- many times</li> <li>- hypothetical</li> </ul> </li> <li>long term frequency           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Type I error rate</li> <li>- reject null when true</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p><b>Bayesian Analysis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>uncertainty about true value</li> <li>prior           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- uncertainty before examining data</li> <li>- incorporate prior knowledge/experience</li> </ul> </li> <li>posterior           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- uncertainty after analyzing current data</li> <li>- balance prior &amp; current</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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- ### Bayesian Prior
- “prior” belief used to infer “posterior” estimates
    - higher weight for more probable parameter values
      - based on prior knowledge
    - use previous study to inform current study
      - weather prediction: tomorrow is much like today
      - previous QTL studies on related organisms
    - historical criticism: can get “religious” about priors
  - often want negligible effect of prior on posterior
    - pick non-informative priors
      - all parameter values equally likely
      - large variance on priors
    - always check sensitivity to prior
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## Likelihood & Posterior Example



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## Bayesian Idea for QTLs

- Modelling a trait with a QTL
  - linear model for trait given genotype
  - recombination near loci for genotype
- Bayesian Posterior
- Likelihoods
  - EM & MCMC
  - Frequentists & Bayesians
- Review Interval Maps & Profile LODs
- Case Study: Simulated Single QTL

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## QTL Effect Posterior

- posterior = likelihood \* prior / constant
- posterior distribution is proportional to
  - prior distribution of effect
  - likelihood of traits given effect & genos

$$\pi(b^* | \mathbf{y})$$

is proportional to

$$\pi(b^*) \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(y_j | x_j^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2)$$

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## QTL Full Posterior

- posterior = likelihood \* prior / constant
- posterior( parameters | data )  
`prob( genos, effects, loci | trait, map )`

$$\pi(\mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda | \mathbf{y})$$

is proportional to

$$\pi(\mu)\pi(b^*)\pi(\sigma^2)\pi(\lambda)\prod_{j=1}^n \pi(x_j^* | \lambda) \\ \times \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(y_j | x_j^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2)$$

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## How to Study Posterior?

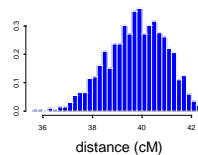
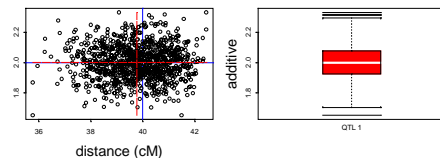
- exact methods
  - exact if possible
  - can be difficult or impossible to analyze
- approximate methods
  - importance sampling
  - numerical integration
  - Monte Carlo & other
- Monte Carlo methods
  - easy to implement
  - independent samples
- MCMC methods
  - handle hard problems
  - art to efficient use
  - correlated samples

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## Posterior for locus & effect



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## Marginal Posterior Summary

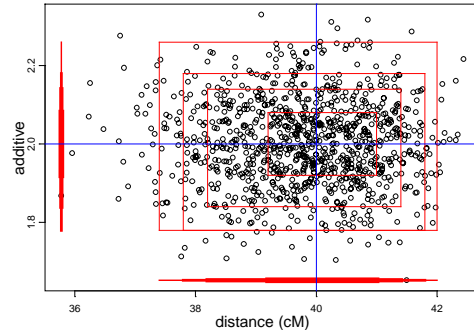
- marginal posterior for locus & effects
- highest probability density (HPD) region
  - smallest region with highest probability
  - credible region for locus & effects
- HPD with 50,80,90,95%
  - range of credible levels can be useful
  - marginal bars and bounding boxes
  - joint regions (harder to draw)

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## HPD Region for locus & effect



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## QTL Bayesian Inference

- study posterior distribution of locus & effects
  - sample joint distribution
    - locus, effects & genotypes
  - study marginal distribution of
    - locus
    - effects
      - overall mean, genotype difference, variance
    - locus & effects together
- estimates & confidence regions
  - histograms, boxplots & scatter plots
  - HPD regions

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## Frequentist or Bayesian?

- |                        |                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| • Frequentist approach | • Bayesian approach        |
| - fixed parameters     | - random parameters        |
| - range of values      | - distribution             |
| - maximize likelihood  | - posterior distribution   |
| - ML estimates         | - posterior mean           |
| - find the peak        | - sample from dist         |
| - confidence regions   | - credible sets            |
| - random region        | - fixed region given data  |
| - invert a test        | - HPD regions              |
| - hypothesis testing   | - model selection/critique |
| - 2 nested models      | - Bayes factors            |

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## Frequentist or Bayesian?

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| • Frequentist approach                  | • Bayesian approach                    |
| - maximize over mixture of QT genotypes | - joint distribution over QT genotypes |
| - locus profile likelihood              | - sample distribution                  |
| - max over effects                      | - joint effects & loci                 |
| - HPD region for locus                  | - HPD regions for                      |
| - natural for locus                     | - joint locus & effects                |
| - 1-2 LOD drop                          | - use density estimator                |
| - work to get effects                   |  |
| - approximate shape of likelihood peak  |  |

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## Simulation Study

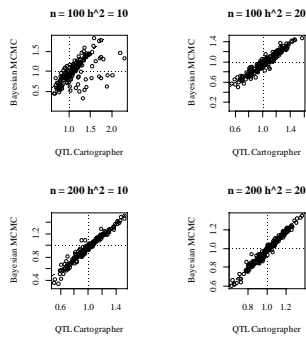
- 200 simulation runs
- $n = 100, 200$ ;  $h^2 = 10, 20\%$
- 1 QTL at 15cM
- markers at 0, 10, 20, 40, 60, 80
- effect = 1
- variance depends on  $h^2$

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## 200 Simulations: Effect

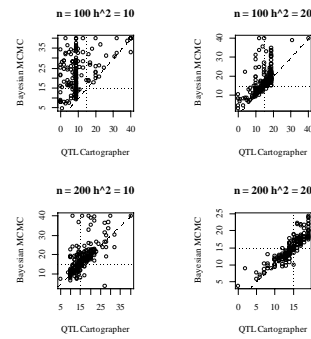


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## 200 Simulations: Locus



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## Basic Idea of Likelihood Use

- build likelihood in steps
  - build from trait & genotypes at locus
  - likelihood for individual  $i$
  - log likelihood over individuals
- maximize likelihood (interval mapping)
  - EM method (Lander & Botstein 1989)
  - MCMC method (Guo & Thompson 1994)
- study whole likelihood as posterior (Bayesian)
  - analytical methods (e.g. Carlin & Louis 1998)
  - MCMC method (Sagopalan et al 1996)

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## Studying the Likelihood

- maximize (\*IM)
  - find the peak
  - avoid local maxima
  - profile LOD
    - across locus
    - max for effects
- sample (Bayes)
  - get whole curve
  - summarize later
  - posterior
    - locus & effects together
- EM method
  - always go up
  - steepest ascent
- MCMC method
  - jump around
  - go up if you can
  - sometimes go down
    - cool down to find peak
    - simulated annealing
    - simulated tempering

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## EM-MCMC duality

- EM approach can be redone with MCMC
  - EM estimates & maximizes
  - MCMC draws random samples
  - both can address same problem
- sometimes EM is hard (impossible) to use
- MCMC is tool of "last resort"
  - use exact methods if you can
  - try other approximate methods
  - be clever!
  - very handy for hard problems in genetics

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## Part III: MCMC Sampling

- Study the Bayesian Posterior
  - use Markov chain to sample
    - Markov chain Monte Carlo
    - Gibbs sampler for effects
    - Metropolis-Hastings for loci
- *Brassica* data on days to flowering

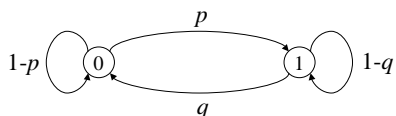
## How to Proceed?

- want to study  $\pi(\text{parameters}|\text{data})$
- run Markov chain with stable pattern  $\pi()$
- study properties of Markov chain to learn about posterior  $\pi(\text{parameters}|\text{data})$ 
  - Markov chain Monte Carlo
- summarize results in graphical form
- diagnostics

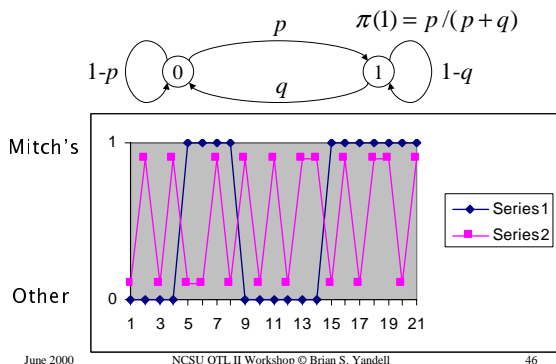
## Markov chain idea

- future given present is independent of past
- update chain based on current value
  - can make chain arbitrarily complicated
  - chain converges to stable pattern  $\pi()$  we wish to study

$$\pi(1) = p / (p + q)$$



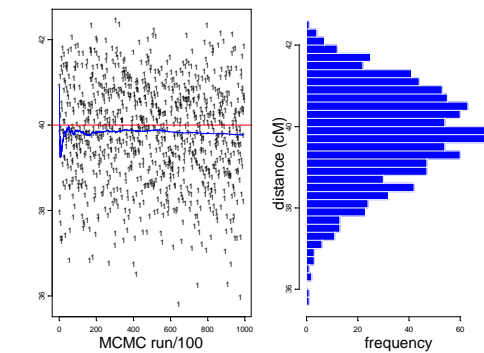
## Markov chain idea



## Markov chain Monte Carlo

- can study arbitrarily complex models
  - need only specify how parameters affect each other
  - can reduce to specifying full conditionals
- construct Markov chain with "right" model
  - update some parameters given data and others
  - can fudge on "right" (importance sampling)
  - next step depends only on current estimates
- nice Markov chains have nice properties
  - sample summaries make sense
  - consider almost as random sample from distribution

## MCMC Run for 1 locus Data





## Why not Ordinary Monte Carlo?

- independent samples of joint distribution
- chaining (or peeling) of effects
- requires numerical integration
  - possible analytically here
  - very messy in general

$$\pi(\mu, b^*, \sigma^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*) = \pi(\sigma^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*) \times \pi(b^* | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu) \times \pi(\mu | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*)$$

$$\pi(\mu | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*) = E_{(b^*, \sigma^2)}(\pi(\mu, b^*, \sigma^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*))$$

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## MCMC Idea for QTLs

- construct Markov chain around posterior
  - want posterior as stable distribution of Markov chain
  - in practice, the chain tends toward stable distribution
    - initial values may have low posterior probability
    - burn-in period to get chain mixing well
- update one (or several) components at a time
  - update effects given genotypes & traits
  - update locus given genotypes & traits
  - update genotypes given locus & effects

$$\theta = (\mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda) \sim \pi(\mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda | \mathbf{y})$$

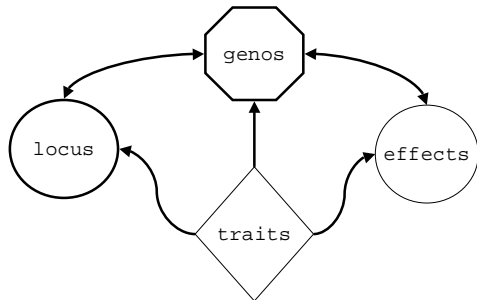
$$\theta_1 \rightarrow \theta_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_N$$

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## Markov chain updates



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## Gibbs Sampler for effects

- set up Markov chain around posterior for effects
- sample from posterior by sampling from full conditionals
  - conditional posterior of each parameter given the other
  - update parameter by sampling full conditional

update mean  $\pi(\mu | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; b^*, \sigma^2) = \pi(\mu) \pi(\mathbf{x}^* | \mathbf{y}; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) / c$

update additive  $\pi(b^* | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, \sigma^2) = \pi(b^*) \pi(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) / c$

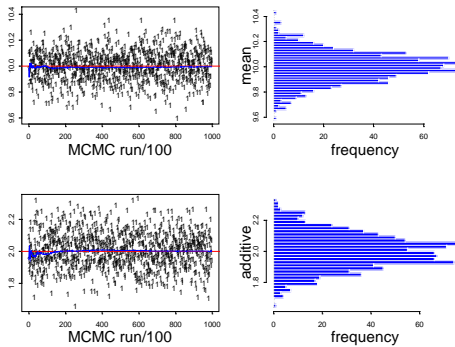
update variance  $\pi(\sigma^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*) = \pi(\sigma^2) \pi(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) / c$

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## MCMC run of mean & effect

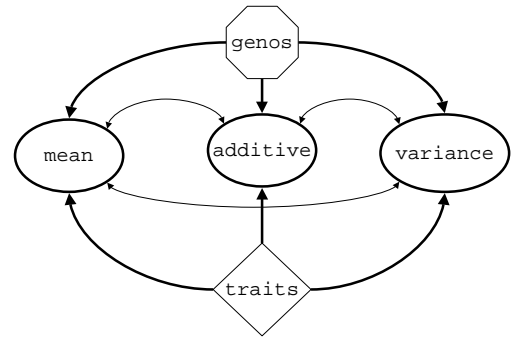


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## Markov chain details



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## Full Conditional for *genos*

- full conditional for *genotype* depends on
  - effects via trait model
  - locus via recombination model
- can explicitly decompose by individual *j*
  - binomial (or trinomial) probability

$$x_j^* = -1, 0, \text{ or } 1$$

$$P_j = \pi(x_j^* | y_j; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda) = \frac{\pi(y_j | x_j^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) \pi(x_j^* | \lambda)}{\sum_{x=-1,0,1} \pi(y_j | x; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) \pi(x | \lambda)}$$

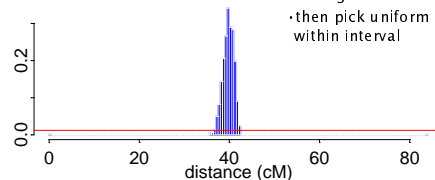
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## Prior for *locus*

- prior information from other studies
  - concentrate on credible regions
  - use posterior of previous study as new prior
- no prior information on locus
  - uniform prior over genome
  - use framework map
    - choose interval proportional to length
    - then pick uniform position within interval



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## Full Conditional for *locus*

- cannot easily sample from *locus* full conditional
- cannot explicitly determine full conditional
  - difficult to normalize
  - need to consider all possible genotypes over entire map
- Gibbs sampler will not work
  - but can get something proportional ...

$$\pi(\lambda | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) = \pi(\lambda | \mathbf{x}^*) = \pi(\lambda) \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(x_j^* | \lambda) / c$$

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## Metropolis-Hastings Step

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## Care & Use of MCMC

- sample chain for long run (100,000-1,000,000)
  - longer for more complicated likelihoods
  - use diagnostic plots to assess "mixing"
- standard error of estimates
  - use histogram of posterior
  - compute variance of posterior--just another summary
- studying the Markov chain
  - Monte Carlo error of series (Geyer 1992)
    - time series estimate based on lagged auto-covariances
  - convergence diagnostics for "proper mixing"

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## Part IV: MCMC Details

- quick review of trait model
  - single & multiple QTL
  - details of Gibbs sampler full conditionals
  - vector notation

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## Quick Review of trait Model

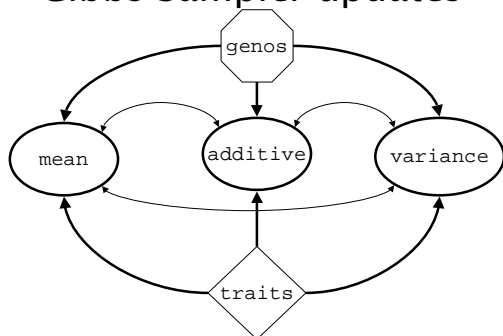
- single QTL details of Gibbs sampler
  - normal priors & likelihoods
    - mean, additive effects
  - inverse gamma prior for variance
    - or inverse chi-square
  - vague priors lead to usual estimates as posterior means
- multiple QTL trait model
  - model with vector notation

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## Gibbs Sampler updates



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## Full Conditional for mean

- normal prior with large variance  $\tau^2$ 

$$\pi(\mu | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; b^*, \sigma^2) \propto \phi\left(\frac{\mu - \eta}{\tau}\right) \prod_{j=1}^n \phi\left(\frac{y_j - \mu - b^* x_j^*}{\sigma}\right)$$
- leads to normal posterior
 
$$E(\mu | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; b^*, \sigma^2) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - b^* x_j^*) + \eta \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}{n + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}} \approx \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - b^* x_j^*)}{n}$$
- posterior variance
 
$$V(\mu | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; b^*, \sigma^2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}} \approx \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

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## Full Conditional for additive Effect

- normal prior with large variance  $\tau^2$ 

$$\pi(b^* | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, \sigma^2) \propto \phi\left(\frac{b^*}{\tau}\right) \prod_{j=1}^n \phi\left(\frac{y_j - \mu - b^* x_j^*}{\sigma}\right)$$
- leads to normal posterior
- posterior mean
 
$$E(b^* | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j^* (y_j - \mu)}{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_j^*)^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}} \approx \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j^* (y_j - \mu)}{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_j^*)^2}$$
- posterior variance
 
$$V(b^* | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_j^*)^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}} \approx \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_j^*)^2}$$

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## Full Conditional for variance

- inverse gamma prior with large  $v/a$ 

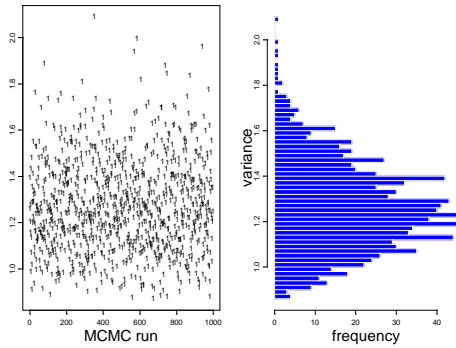
$$\sigma^2 \sim \text{Inv}\Gamma(a, v) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-(a+1)} e^{-v/\sigma^2}$$
- posterior distribution
 
$$\sigma^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^* \sim \text{Inv}\Gamma\left(a + \frac{n}{2}, v + \frac{n}{2} \hat{\sigma}^2\right)$$
- posterior mean
 
$$E(\sigma^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^*) = \frac{v + \frac{n}{2} \hat{\sigma}^2}{a + \frac{n}{2} - 1} \approx \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - \mu - b^* x_j^*)^2}{n}$$

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## MCMC run for variance

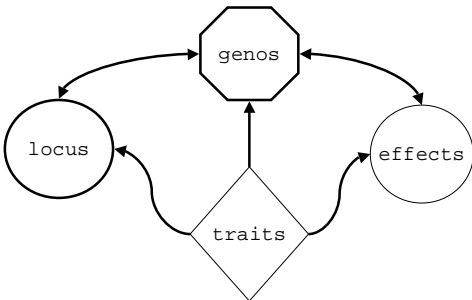


## Alternative for Variance: use Inverse Chi-square

• inverse chi-square prior with large  $d, v$   $\sigma^2 \sim \text{Inv}\chi^2(d, v) = \frac{vd}{\chi_d^2}$ , or  $\frac{vd}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_d^2$

• posterior distribution  $\sigma^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^*; \mu, b^* \sim \text{Inv}\chi^2 \left( d+n, \frac{vd + \sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - \mu - b^* x_j^*)^2}{d+n} \right)$

## Markov chain updates



## Metropolis-Hastings Step

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## Full Conditional for genos

- full conditional for genotype depends on
  - effects via trait model
  - locus via recombination model
- can explicitly decompose by individual  $j$ 
  - binomial (or trinomial) probability

$$x_j^* = -1, 0, \text{ or } 1$$

$$\pi(x_j^* | y_j; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda) = \frac{\pi(y_j | x_j^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) \pi(x_j^* | \lambda)}{\sum_{x^*=-1,0,1} \pi(y_j | x; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2) \pi(x | \lambda)}$$

## Missing marker Data

- sample missing marker data a la QT genotypes
- full conditional for missing markers depends on
  - flanking markers
  - possible flanking QTL
- can explicitly decompose by individual  $j$ 
  - binomial (or trinomial) probability

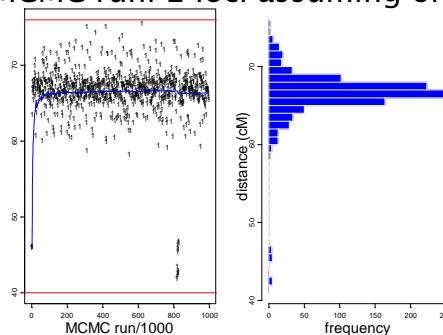
$$M_{kj} = -1, 0, \text{ or } 1$$

$$\pi(M_{kj} | x_j^*, y_j; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2; \lambda; \mathbf{M}_j) = \pi(M_{kj} | x_j^*; \mathbf{M}_j)$$

## Part V: Multiple QTL

- Multiple QTL Model
- Sampling from the Posterior
- Issues for 2 QTL
- Bayes factors & Model Selection
- Simulated data for 0,1,2 QTL
- *Brassica* data on days to flowering

## MCMC run: 2 loci assuming only 1



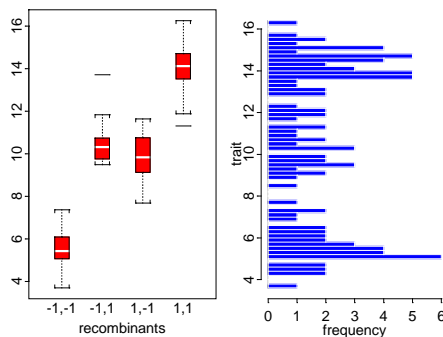
## Multiple QTL model

- $\text{trait} = \text{mean} + \text{add1} + \text{add2} + \text{error}$
- $\text{trait} = \text{effect\_of\_genos} + \text{error}$
- $\text{prob}(\text{trait} \mid \text{genos}, \text{effects})$

$$y_j = \mu + b_1^* x_{j1}^* + b_2^* x_{j2}^* + e_j$$

$$y_j = \mu + \sum_{r=1}^m b_r^* x_{jr}^* + e_j$$

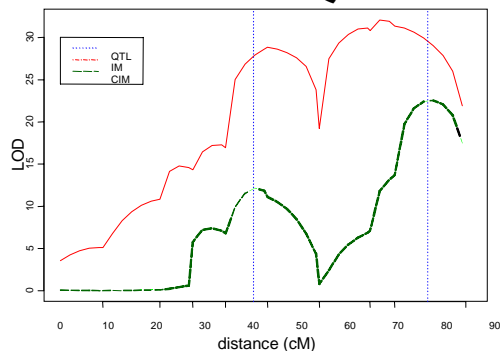
## Simulated Data with 2 QTL



## Issues for Multiple QTL

- how many QTL influence a trait?
  - 1, several (oligogenic) or many (polygenic)?
  - how many are supported by the data?
- searching for 2 or more QTL
  - conditional search (IM, CIM)
  - simultaneous search (MIM)
- epistasis (inter-loci interaction)
  - many more parameters to estimate
  - effects of ignored QTL

## LOD for 2 QTL



## Interval Mapping Approach

- interval mapping (IM)
  - scan genome for 1 QTL
- composite interval mapping (CIM)
  - scan for 1 QTL while adjusting for others
  - use markers as surrogates for other QTL
- multiple interval mapping (MIM)
  - search for multiple QTL

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## Multiple QTL model

- trait = mean + add1 + add2 + error
- trait = effect\_of\_genos + error
- `prob( trait | genos, effects )`

$$y_j = \mu + b_1^* x_{j1}^* + b_2^* x_{j2}^* + e_j$$

$$y_j = \mu + \sum_{r=1}^m b_r^* x_{jr}^* + e_j$$

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## Vector Notation for QTLs

- inner product for sum
- condense notation

$$\sum_{r=1}^m b_r^* x_{jr}^* = \langle \mathbf{b}^*, \mathbf{x}_j^* \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{b}^* = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^* \\ \vdots \\ b_m^* \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_j = \begin{pmatrix} x_{j1}^* \\ \vdots \\ x_{jm}^* \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{X}^* = (\mathbf{x}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n^*)$$

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## Multiple loci

- vector of loci across linkage map
- careful bookkeeping during update
  - identifiability & bump hunting
  - possibility of two loci in one marker interval
- ordered loci are sufficient

$$\pi(\Lambda | \mathbf{X}^*) = \prod_{r=1}^m \pi(\lambda_r | \mathbf{X}^*), \Lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m)$$

$$\pi(\lambda_r | \mathbf{X}^*) \propto \pi(\lambda_r) \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(x_{jr}^* | \lambda_r)$$

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## Posterior: Multiple QTLs

- posterior = likelihood \* prior / constant
  - posterior( paramaters | data )
- `prob( genos, effects, loci | traits, map )`

$$\pi(\mathbf{X}^*; \mu, \mathbf{b}^*, \sigma^2; \Lambda | \mathbf{y})$$

is proportional to

$$\pi(\mu) \pi(\sigma^2) \prod_{r=1}^m \left( \pi(b_r^*) \pi(\lambda_r) \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(x_{jr}^* | \lambda_r) \right) \times \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(y_j | \mathbf{x}_j^*; \mu, \mathbf{b}^*, \sigma^2)$$

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## MCMC for Multiple QTLs

- construct Markov chain around posterior
- update one (or several) components at a time
  - update effects given genotypes & traits
  - update loci given genotypes & traits
  - update genotypes give loci & effects
- update all terms for each locus at one time?
  - open questions of efficient mixing

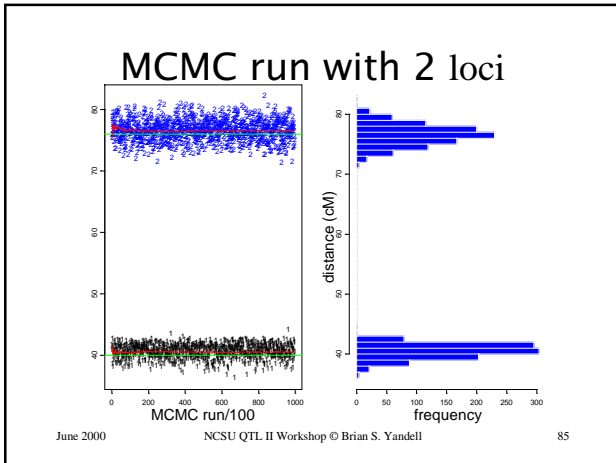
$$\theta = (\mathbf{X}^*; \mu, \mathbf{b}^*, \sigma^2; \Lambda) \sim \pi(\mathbf{X}^*; \mu, \mathbf{b}^*, \sigma^2; \Lambda | \mathbf{y})$$

$$\theta_1 \rightarrow \theta_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_N$$

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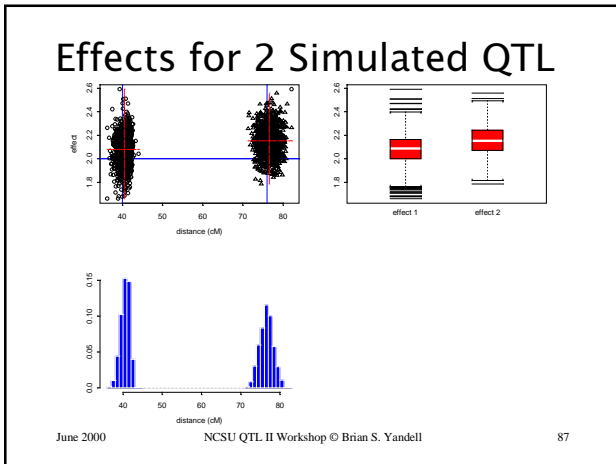
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### Bayesian Approach

- simultaneous search for multiple QTL
- use Bayesian paradigm
  - easy to consider joint distributions
  - easy to modify later for other types of data
    - counts, proportions, etc.
  - employ MCMC to estimate posterior dist
- study estimates of loci & effects
- use Bayes factors for model selection
  - number of QTL

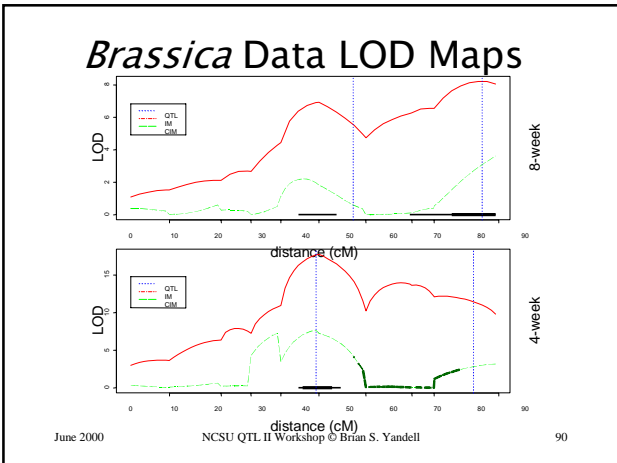
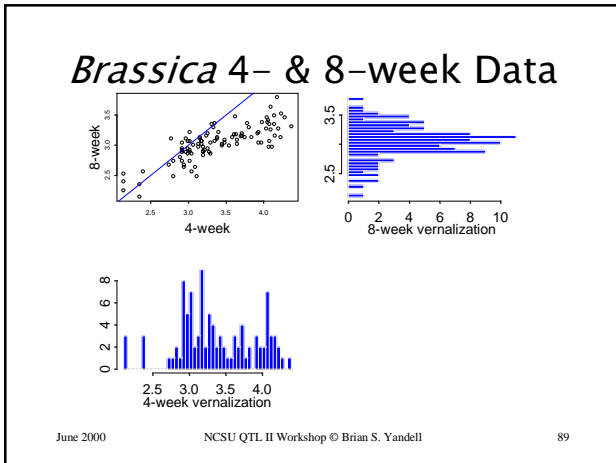
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### *Brassica napus* Data

- 4-week & 8-week vernalization effect
  - log(days to flower)
- genetic cross of
  - Stellar (annual canola)
  - Major (biennial rapeseed)
- 105 F1-derived double haploid (DH) lines
  - homozygous at every locus (*QQ* or *qq*)
- 10 molecular markers (RFLPs) on LG9
  - two QTLs inferred on LG9 (now chromosome N2)
  - corroborated by Butruille (1998)
  - exploiting synteny with *Arabidopsis thaliana*

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## 4-week vs 8-week vernalization

- |                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 4-week vernalization    | 8-week vernalization     |
| • longer time to flower | • shorter time to flower |
| • larger LOD at 40cM    | • larger LOD at 80cM     |
| • modest LOD at 80cM    | • modest LOD at 40cM     |
| • loci well determined  | • loci poorly determined |

cM	add	cM	add
40	.30	40	.06
80	.16	80	.13

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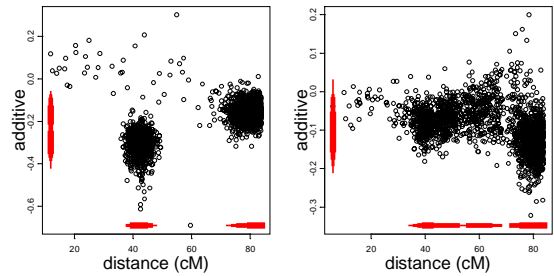
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## Brassica Credible Regions

4-week

8-week



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## Collinearity of QTLs

- multiple QT genotypes are correlated
  - QTL linked on same chromosome
  - difficult to distinguish if close
- estimates of QT effects are correlated
  - poor identifiability of effects parameters
  - correlations give clue of how much to trust
- which QTL to go after in breeding?
  - largest effect?
  - may be biased by nearby QTL

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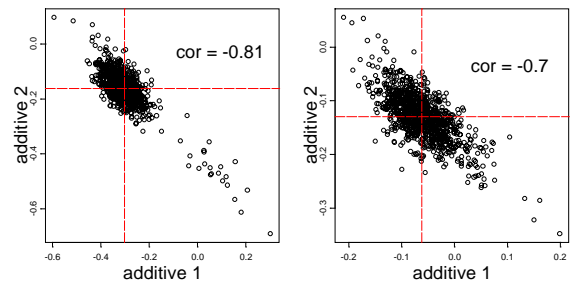
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## Brassica effect Correlations

4-week

8-week



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## Simulation Study

- 2 linked QTL
- QTL Cart vs. Bayesian QTL estimates
  - locus: 15, 65cM
  - effect: 1, 1
- $n = 100$ ,  $h^2 = 30$
- also considered
  - $n = 200$ ,  $h^2 = 25, 30, 40$

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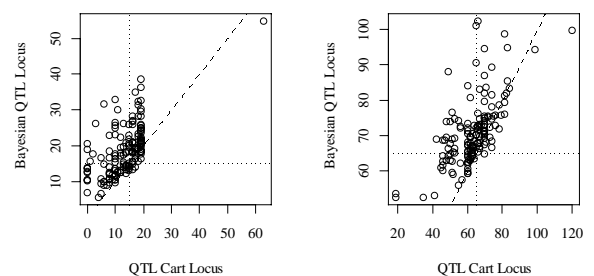
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## 2 QTL: Loci Estimates

locus 1:  $n = 100$ ,  $h^2 = 30$

locus 2:  $n = 100$ ,  $h^2 = 30$



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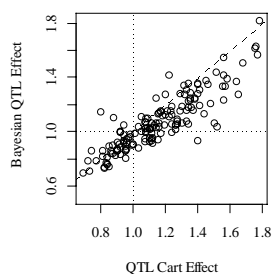
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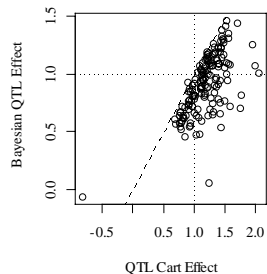


## 2 QTL: Effect Estimates

locus 1: n = 100, h<sup>2</sup> = 30



locus 2: n = 100, h<sup>2</sup> = 40



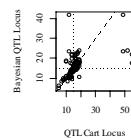
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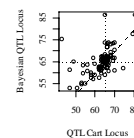
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## 2 QTL: Loci & Effects

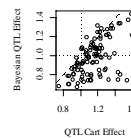
locus 1: n = 200, h<sup>2</sup> = 40



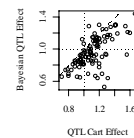
locus 2: n = 200, h<sup>2</sup> = 40



locus 1: n = 200, h<sup>2</sup> = 40



locus 2: n = 200, h<sup>2</sup> = 40



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## Bayes Factors

Which model (1 or 2 or 3 QTLs?) has higher probability of supporting the data?

- ratio of posterior odds to prior odds
- ratio of model likelihoods

$$B_{12} = \frac{\pi(\text{model}_1 | \mathbf{y}) / \pi(\text{model}_2 | \mathbf{y})}{\pi(\text{model}_1) / \pi(\text{model}_2)} = \frac{\pi(\mathbf{y} | \text{model}_1)}{\pi(\mathbf{y} | \text{model}_2)}$$

BF(1:2)	2log(BF)	evidence for 1st
< 1	< 0	negative
1 to 3	0 to 2	negligible
3 to 12	2 to 5	positive
12 to 150	5 to 10	strong
> 150	> 10	very strong

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## Bayes Factors & LR

- equivalent to *LR* statistic when
  - comparing two nested models
  - simple hypotheses (e.g. 1 vs 2 QTL)
- Bayes Information Criteria (BIC) in general
  - Schwartz introduced for model selection
  - penalty for different number of parameters *p*

$$-2 \log(B_{12}) = -2 \log(LR) - (p_2 - p_1) \log(n)$$

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## Model Determination using Bayes Factors

- pick most plausible model
  - histogram for range of models
  - posterior distribution of models
  - use Bayes theorem
  - often assume flat prior across models
- posterior distribution of number of QTLs

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## Brassica Bayes Factors

- compare models for 1, 2, 3 QTL
- Bayes factor and  $-2 \log(LR)$
- large value favors first model
- 8-week vernalization only here

<i>i</i> vs. <i>j</i>	Bayes Factor	$-\log(LR)$
2 vs. 1	2.49	7.82
3 vs. 1	.005	7.41
3 vs. 2	.002	4.17

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## Computing Bayes Factors

- arithmetic mean
  - using samples from prior
  - mean across Monte Carlo or MCMC runs
  - can be inefficient if prior differs from posterior

$$\pi(\mathbf{y} | \text{model}_k) = \int \pi(\mathbf{y} | \theta_k; \text{model}_k) \pi(\theta_k | \text{model}_k) d\theta_k$$

- harmonic mean
  - using samples from posterior
  - more efficient but less stable
  - careful choice of weight  $h()$  close to posterior

$$\hat{\pi}(\mathbf{y} | \text{model}_k) = G \left[ \sum_{g=1}^G \frac{h(\theta_k)}{\pi(\mathbf{y} | \theta_k; \text{model}_k) \pi(\theta_k | \text{model}_k)} \right]^{-1}$$

## Part VI: How many QTLs?

- Reversible Jump MCMC
  - basic idea of Green(1995)
  - model selection in regression
- how many QTLs?
  - number of QTL is random
  - estimate the number  $m$
- RJ-MCMC vs. Bayes factors
- other similar ideas

## Jumping the Number of QTL

- model changes with number of QTL
  - almost analogous to stepwise regression
  - use reversible jump MCMC to change number
    - book keeping helps in comparing models
    - change of variables between models
- prior on number of QTL
  - uniform over some range
  - Poisson with prior mean

$$\pi(m | \ell) = \frac{\ell^m e^{-\ell}}{m!}$$

## Posterior: Number of QTL

- posterior = likelihood \* prior / constant
- posterior( parameters | data )  
 $prob(\text{genos, effects, loci, } m | \text{traits, map})$

$$\pi(\mathbf{X}^*; \mu, \mathbf{b}^*, \sigma^2; \Lambda, m | \mathbf{y})$$

is proportional to

$$\prod_{j=1}^n \pi(y_j | \mathbf{x}_j^*; \mu, \mathbf{b}^*, \sigma^2; m) \times$$

$$\pi(m) \pi(\mu) \pi(\sigma^2) \prod_{r=1}^m \left( \pi(b_r^*) \pi(\lambda_r) \prod_{j=1}^n \pi(x_{jr}^* | \lambda_r) \right)$$

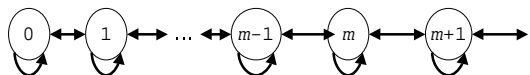
## Reversible Jump Choices

action step: draw one of three choices

- update step with probability  $1-b(m+1)-d(m)$ 
  - update current model
  - loci, effects, genotypes as before
- add a locus with probability  $b(m+1)$ 
  - propose a new locus
  - innovate effect and genotypes at new locus
  - decide whether to accept the "birth" of new locus
- drop a locus with probability  $d(m)$ 
  - pick one of existing loci to drop
  - decide whether to accept the "death" of locus

## Markov chain for number $m$

- add a new locus  $\rightarrow$
- drop a locus  $\leftarrow$
- update current model  $\circlearrowleft$

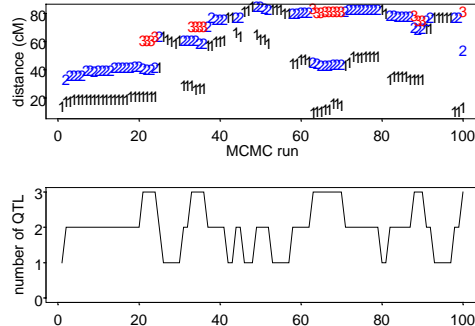


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## Jumping QTL number & loci

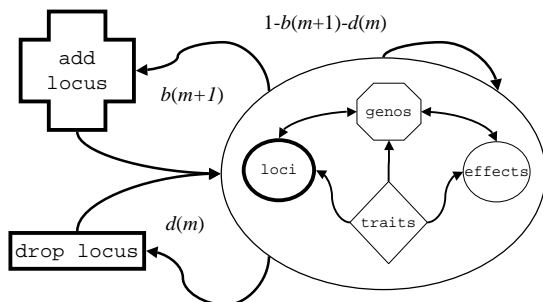


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## RJ-MCMC Updates



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## Propose to Add a locus

- propose a new locus
  - similar proposal to ordinary update  $q_b(\lambda) = 1/D$ 
    - uniform chance over genome
    - easier to avoid interval with another QTL
  - need genotypes at locus & model effect
- innovate effect & genotypes at new locus
  - draw genotypes based on recombination (prior)
    - no dependence on trait model yet
  - draw effect as in Green's reversible jump
    - adjust for collinearity
    - modify other parameters accordingly
- check acceptance ...

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## Propose to Drop a locus

- choose an existing locus  $q_d(r; m) = 1/m$ 
  - equal weight for all loci?
  - more weight to loci with small effects?
- "drop" effect & genotypes at old locus
  - adjust effects at other loci for collinearity
  - this is reverse jump of Green (1995)
- check acceptance ...
  - do not drop locus, effects & genotypes
  - until move is accepted

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## Acceptance of Reversible Jump

- accept birth of new locus with probability  $\min(1, A)$
- accept death of old locus with probability  $\min(1, 1/A)$

$$A = \frac{\pi(\theta_{m+1}, m+1 | \mathbf{y})}{\pi(\theta_m, m | \mathbf{y})} \times \frac{d(m+1)}{b(m)} \frac{q_b(\lambda_{m+1})}{q_d(r; m+1)} \frac{1}{J}$$

$$\theta_m = (\mathbf{X}^*; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{b}^*, \sigma^2; \Lambda, m)$$

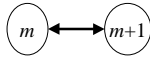
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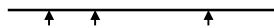
## Acceptance of Reversible Jump

- move probabilities



$$\frac{d(m+1)}{b(m)}$$

- birth & death proposals



$$\frac{q_b(\lambda_{m+1})}{q_d(r; m+1)}$$

- Jacobian between models
  - fudge factor
  - see stepwise regression example

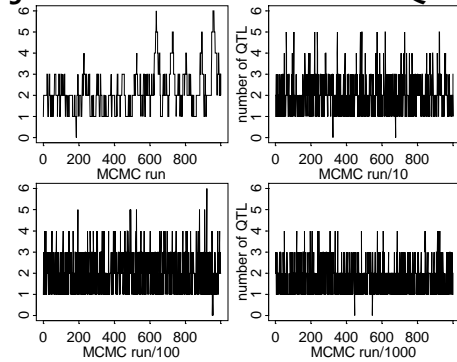
$$J = \frac{\sigma}{s_{\text{others}} \sqrt{n}}$$

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## RJ-MCMC: Number of QTL



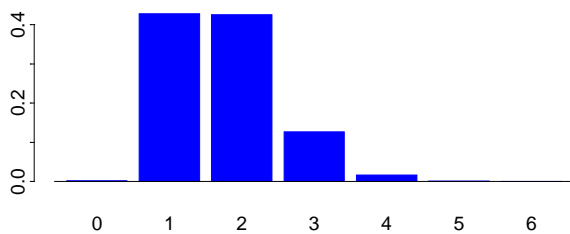
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## Posterior # QTL for 8-week Data

98% credible region for  $m$ : (1,3)  
based on 1 million steps  
with prior mean of 3



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## How Good is RJ-MCMC?

- simulations with 0, 1 or 2 QTL
  - strong effects (additive = 2, variance = 1)
  - linked loci 36cM apart
- differences with number of QTL
  - clear differences by actual number
  - works well with 100,000, better with 1M
- effect of Poisson prior mean
  - larger prior mean shifts posterior up
  - but prior does not take over

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## Simulation Study: Prior

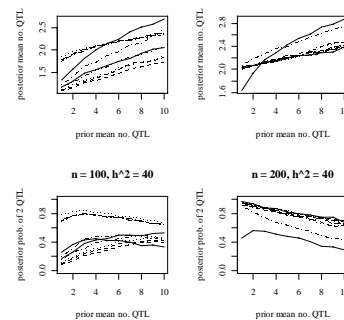
- 2 QTL at 15, 65cM
- $n = 100, 200$ ;  $h^2 = 40\%$
- vary prior mean from 1 to 10 QTL
  - Poisson prior
- 10 independent simulations
- examine posterior mean, probability

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## Prior on Number of QTL

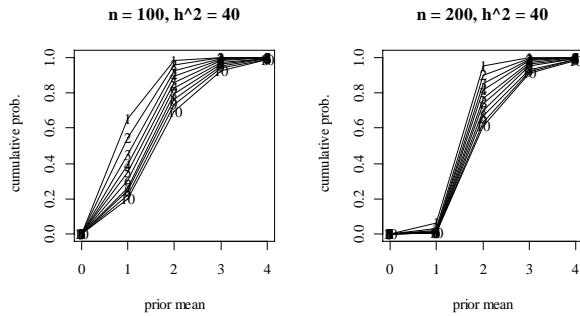


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## Prior on Number of QTL



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## # QTL in *Brassica* Data

- 4-week & 8-week vernalization
  - log( days to flower)
  - 105 lines, 10 markers
  - modest effects
  - evidence of 1 or 2 QTL using Bayes factors
- histograms of posterior number of QTL
  - depends somewhat on prior
  - mode is 1 or 2 QTL
- 90% credible sets
  - all include 2 QTL
  - include 1 QTL if prior not huge

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## *Brassica* #QTL 90% Credible Sets

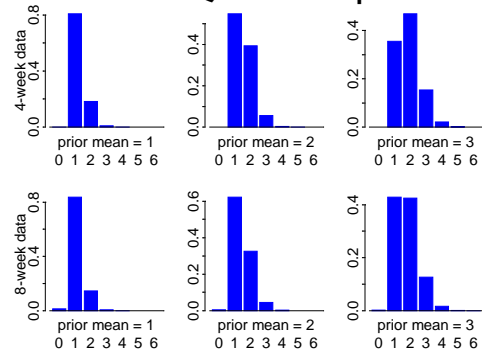
prior	8-week			4-week		
	lo	hi	level	lo	hi	level
1	1	2	0.98	1	2	0.99
2	1	2	0.95	1	2	0.94
3	1	3	0.98	1	3	0.98
4	1	3	0.95	1	3	0.93
6	1	4	0.96	1	4	0.94
10	2	5	0.90	2	6	0.97

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## *Brassica* #QTL Comparison



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## VII: Reversible Jump Details

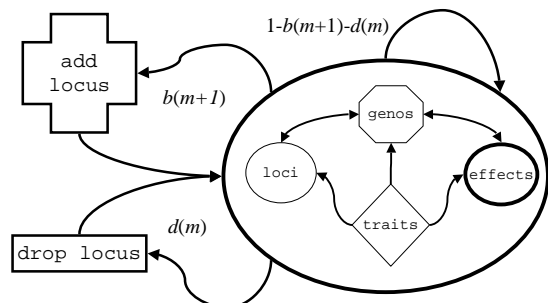
- reversible jump MCMC details
  - can update model with  $m$  QTL
  - have basic idea of jumping models
  - now: careful bookkeeping between models
- RJ-MCMC & Bayes factors
  - Bayes factors from RJ-MCMC chain
  - components of Bayes factors

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## RJ-MCMC Updates



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## Reversible Jump Idea

- expand idea of MCMC to compare models
- adjust for parameters in different models
  - augment smaller model with innovations
  - constraints on larger model
- calculus "change of variables" is key
  - add or drop parameter(s)
  - carefully compute the Jacobian
- consider stepwise regression
  - Mallick (1995) & Green (1995)
  - efficient calculation with Householder decomposition

## Model Selection in Regression

- known regressors (e.g. markers)
  - models with 1 or 2 regressors
- jump between models
  - centering regressors simplifies calculations

$$m = 1 : y_j = \mu + b(x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1) + e_j$$

$$m = 2 : y_j = \mu + b_1(x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1) + b_2(x_{j2} - \bar{x}_2) + e_j$$

## Slope Estimate for 1 Regressor

recall least squares estimate of slope  
note relation of slope to correlation

$$\hat{b} = \frac{r_{1y} s_y}{s_1}, \quad r_{1y} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1)(y_j - \bar{y}) / n}{s_1 s_y}$$

$$s_1^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1)^2 / n, \quad s_y^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - \bar{y})^2 / n$$

## 2 Correlated Regressors

slopes adjusted for other regressors

$$\hat{b}_1 = \frac{(r_{1y} - r_{12}r_{2y})s_y}{s_1} = \hat{b} - \frac{r_{2y}s_y}{s_2} c_{21}, \quad c_{21} = \frac{r_{12}s_2}{s_1}$$

$$\hat{b}_2 = \frac{(r_{2y} - r_{12}r_{1y})s_y}{s_2}$$

## Gibbs Sampler for Model 1

- mean  $\mu \sim \phi\left(\frac{n\bar{y} + \eta \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}{n + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}, \frac{\sigma^2}{n + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}\right)$
- slope  $b \sim \phi\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1)(y_j - \mu)}{ns_1^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}, \frac{\sigma^2}{ns_1^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}\right)$
- variance  $\sigma^2 \sim \text{Inv}\Gamma\left(a + \frac{n}{2}, v + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - \mu - b(x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1))^2\right)$

## Gibbs Sampler for Model 2

- mean  $\mu \sim \phi\left(\frac{n\bar{y} + \eta \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}{n + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}, \frac{\sigma^2}{n + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}\right)$
- slopes  $b_2 \sim \phi\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_{j2} - \bar{x}_2)(y_j - \mu - b_1(x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1))}{ns_{2|1}^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}, \frac{\sigma^2}{ns_{2|1}^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}}\right)$
- $s_{2|1}^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{j2} - \bar{x}_2 - c_{21}(x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1))^2 / n$
- variance  $\sigma^2 \sim \text{Inv}\Gamma\left(a + \frac{n}{2}, v + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \left(y_j - \mu - \sum_{k=1}^2 b_k(x_{jk} - \bar{x}_k)\right)^2\right)$

## Updates from 2 → 1

- drop 2nd regressor
- adjust other regressor

$$b \rightarrow b_1 + b_2 c_{21}$$

$$b_2 \rightarrow 0$$

## Updates from 1 → 2

- add 2nd slope, adjusting for collinearity
- adjust other slope & variance

$$z \sim \phi(0,1), \quad J = \frac{\sigma}{s_{21}\sqrt{n}}$$

$$b_2 \rightarrow \hat{b}_2 + z \times J, \quad \hat{b}_2 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (x_{j2} - \bar{x}_2)(y_j - \hat{\mu} - \hat{b}_1(x_{j1} - \bar{x}_1))}{ns_{21}^2}$$

$$b_1 \rightarrow b - b_2 c_{21} = b - z \times c_{21} J - \hat{b}_2 c_{21}$$

## Model Selection in Regression

- known regressors (e.g. markers)
  - models with 1 or 2 regressors
- jump between models
  - augment with new innovation  $z$

	$m$	parameters	innovations	transformations
$1 \rightarrow 2$	$(\mu, b, \sigma^2; z)$	$z \sim \phi(0,1)$		$\begin{cases} b_2 \rightarrow \hat{b}_2 + z \times J \\ b_1 \rightarrow b - b_2 c_{21} \end{cases}$

$2 \rightarrow 1$	$(\mu, b_1, b_2, \sigma^2)$			$\begin{cases} b \rightarrow b_1 + b_2 c_{21} \\ z \rightarrow 0 \end{cases}$
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## Change of Variables

- change variables from model 1 to model 2
- calculus issues for integration
  - need to formally account for change of variables
  - infinitesimal steps in integration ( $db$ )
  - involves partial derivatives (next page)

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -c_{21}J & -c_{21} \\ 0 & J & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} b \\ z \\ \hat{b}_2 \end{pmatrix} = g(b; z | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

$$\int \pi(b_1, b_2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) db_1 db_2 = \int \pi(b; z | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) J db dz$$

## Jacobian & the Calculus

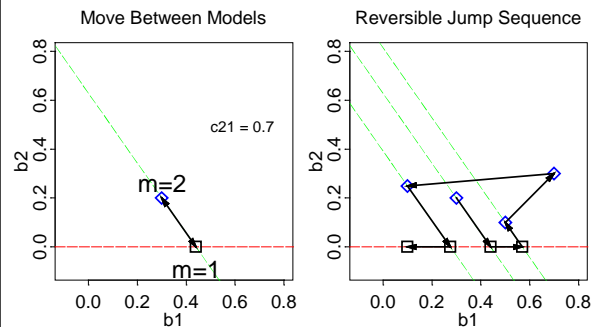
- Jacobian sorts out change of variables
  - careful: easy to mess up here!

$$g(b; z) = (b_1, b_2), \quad \frac{\partial g(b; z)}{\partial b \partial z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -c_{21}J \\ 0 & J \end{bmatrix}$$

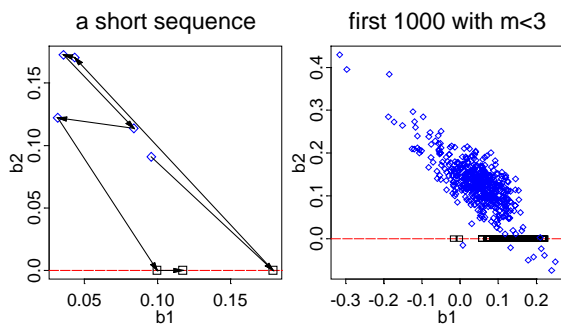
$$\left| \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -c_{21}J \\ 0 & J \end{pmatrix} \right| = |1 \times J - 0 \times (-c_{21}J)| = J$$

$$db_1 db_2 = \left| \det \left( \frac{\partial g(\mu, b, \sigma^2; z)}{\partial b \partial z} \right) \right| db dz = J db dz$$

## Geometry of Reversible Jump



## QT additive Reversible Jump



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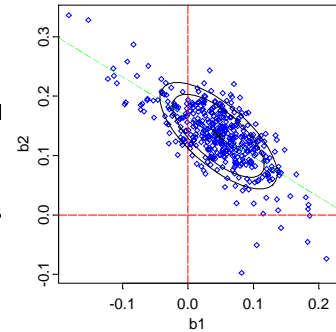
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## Credible Set for additive

90% & 95% sets  
based on normal

regression line  
corresponds to  
slope of updates



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## Efficient Updating of additive

- more computations when  $m > 2$
- want to avoid matrix inverses
  - decompose matrix instead
  - solve linear system of equations
- use linear algebra
  - Hausholder (QR) decomposition
  - *LAPACK User's Guide* (1995, 2nd ed) Anderson et al., SIAM.

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## Hausholder (QR) Decomposition

- decomposition  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{G} = [\mathbf{F}_1 : \mathbf{F}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_1 \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{F}_1\mathbf{G}_1$ 
  - G is upper triangular
  - F is orthogonal
- orthogonality  $\mathbf{F}^T\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{F}_1 & \mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{F}_2 \\ \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{F}_1 & \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{F}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{I}_n$ 

$$\mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{F}_1 = \mathbf{I}_m, \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{F}_2 = \mathbf{I}_{n-m}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{F}_2 = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{F}_1 = \mathbf{0}$$
- design matrix  $\mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$

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## QR & Regression

- model  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{e}$
- error piece  $\mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{e}$   
 $\mathbf{y}^T\mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{y} = SS_{ERROR}$
- model piece  $\mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{G}_1\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{e}$   
 $\mathbf{y}^T\mathbf{F}_1\mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{y} = SS_{MODEL}$
- estimators  $\hat{\mathbf{b}} = (\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{G}_1^{-1}\mathbf{F}_1^T\mathbf{y} = \frac{r_{1y}S_y}{r_1}$

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## Absorbing Old Model

- *old* model
  - $m$  regressors  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}_{old} + \mathbf{e}$
  - QR decomposition  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{F}_1\mathbf{G}_1$
- *new* model
  - $m+1$  regressor  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}_{old} + \mathbf{x}_{m+1}b_{m+1} + \mathbf{e}$
  - use QR to absorb old model  $\mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{x}_{m+1}b_{m+1} + \mathbf{F}_2^T\mathbf{e}$

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## Adjusted Slope Estimators

- *old* slopes  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{old} = \mathbf{G}_1^{-1} \mathbf{F}_1^T \mathbf{y} = \frac{r_{1y} s_y}{s_1}$ 
  - note  $m=1$  case
- *added* slope  $\hat{b}_{m+1} = V^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{m+1}^T \mathbf{F}_2 \mathbf{F}_2^T \mathbf{y} = \frac{(r_{2y} - r_{12} r_{1y}) s_y}{s_2}$ 
  - note sum of squares  $V = \mathbf{x}_{m+1}^T \mathbf{F}_2 \mathbf{F}_2^T \mathbf{x}_{m+1} = n s_{2|1}^2$
- *variance*  $V(\hat{b}_{m+1}) = \sigma^2 / V = J^2$ 
  - note Jacobian
- *new* slopes  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{new} = \mathbf{G}_1^{-1} \mathbf{F}_1^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_{m+1} \hat{b}_{m+1})$ 
  - $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{new} = \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{old} - \mathbf{G}_1^{-1} \mathbf{F}_1^T \mathbf{x}_{m+1} \hat{b}_{m+1}$

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## VIII: RJMCMC & Bayes Factors

- RJ-MCMC & Bayes factors
  - Bayes factors from RJ-MCMC chain
  - components of Bayes factors

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## How To Infer loci?

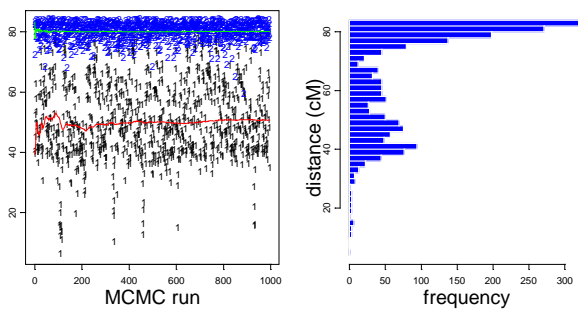
- if  $m$  is known, use fixed MCMC
  - histogram of loci
  - issue of bump hunting
- combining loci estimates in RJ-MCMC
  - some steps are from wrong model
    - too few loci (bias)
    - too many loci (variance/identifiability)
  - condition on number of loci
    - subsets of Markov chain

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## Brassica 8-week Data locus MCMC with $m=2$

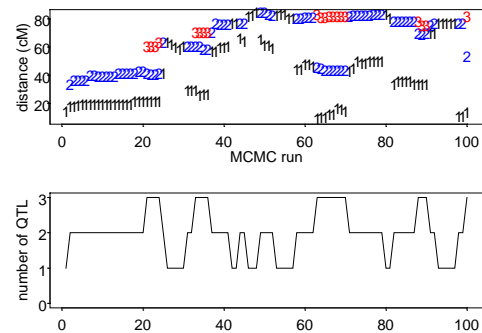


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## Jumping QTL number & loci

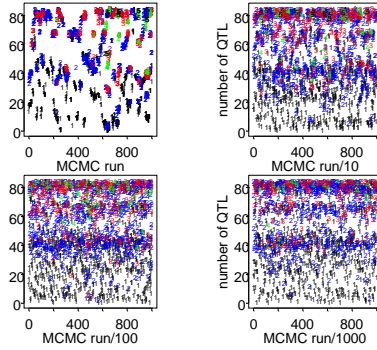


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## RJ-MCMC loci chain

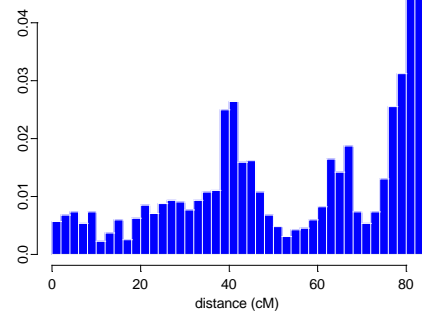


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## Raw Histogram of loci

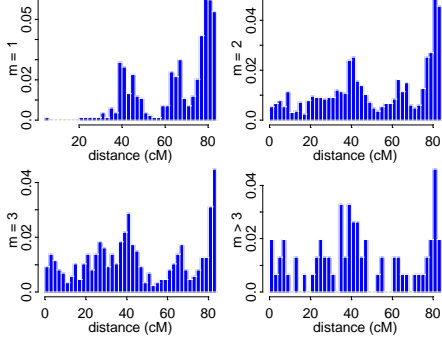


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## Conditional Histograms



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## Bayes Factors

- ratio of posterior odds to prior odds
- RJ-MCMC gives posterior on number of QTL
- prior is Poisson

$$B_{12} = \frac{\pi(\text{model}_1 | \mathbf{y}) / \pi(\text{model}_2 | \mathbf{y})}{\pi(\text{model}_1) / \pi(\text{model}_2)} = \frac{\pi(\mathbf{y} | \text{model}_1)}{\pi(\mathbf{y} | \text{model}_2)}$$

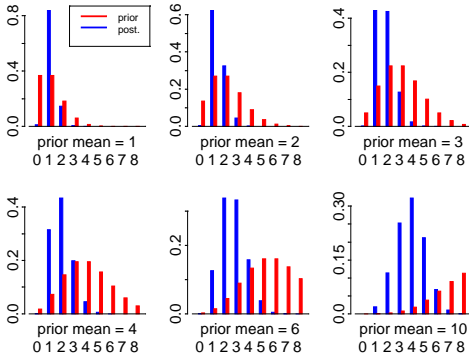
BF(1:2)	2log(BF)	evidence for 1st
< 1	< 0	negative
1 to 3	0 to 2	negligible
3 to 12	2 to 5	positive
12 to 150	5 to 10	strong
> 150	> 10	very strong

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## #QTL for *Brassica* 8-week



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## RJ-Bayes Factors (8-week Brassica data)

prior mean ratio	1	2	3	4	6	10
1:2	2.87	1.91	1.51	1.45	1.12	0.85
1:3	27.62	9.10	5.06	4.22	2.28	1.28
1:4	1743.29	81.30	28.85	18.51	7.17	2.51
2:3	9.63	4.76	3.35	2.91	2.04	1.5
2:4	608.00	42.51	19.09	12.75	6.41	2.95
3:4	63.13	8.93	5.70	4.39	3.15	1.96

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## Simulation Study of Prior Effect

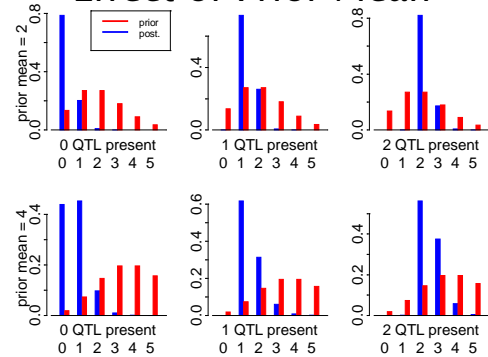
- how dramatic is the effect of prior?
- simulations of 0, 1 or 2 QTL
  - QTL have large effect
    - additive = 2, variance = 1
  - 2 QTL spaced 36cM apart
  - sample sized of 105
- RJ-MCMC runs of 100,000

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## Effect of Prior Mean



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## Bayes Factor

<i>m</i> ratio	prior of 2			<i>m</i> ratio	prior of 4		
	0	1	2		0	1	2
0:1	3.85	0	0	0:1	0.97	0	0
0:2	50.93	0	0	0:2	3.02	0	0
0:3	569.11	0.03	0	0:3	15.07	0	0
1:2	13.22	1.87	0	1:2	3.12	1.32	0
1:3	147.75	30.09	0	1:3	15.54	3.04	0
2:3	11.17	16.05	2.38	2:3	4.99	2.58	0.75

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## Bayes Factors & LODs

- others have tried arithmetic & harmonic mean
- why not geometric mean?
- terms that are averaged are log likelihoods...

$$\hat{\pi}(\mathbf{y} | \text{model}_k) = \exp \left( \frac{\sum_{g=1}^G \log \pi(\mathbf{y} | \theta_k; \text{model}_k)}{G} \right)$$

$g = 1, \dots, G$  MCMC runs

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## Bayesian LOD

- Bayesian "LOD" computed at each step
  - based on  $LR$  given sampled genotypes and effects
  - can be larger or smaller than profile LOD
  - informal diagnostic of fit
  - combine to for geometric estimates of Bayes factors

$$LOD(\lambda) = (\log_{10} e) \sum_{j=1}^n \ln \left( \frac{\sum_{x=-1,0,1} \pi(y_j | x; \hat{\mu}, \hat{b}^*, \hat{\sigma}^2) \pi(x | \lambda)}{\pi(y_j | \hat{\mu}, \hat{b}^* = 0, \hat{\sigma}^2)} \right)$$

$$BLOD = (\log_{10} e) \sum_{j=1}^n \ln \left( \frac{\pi(y_j | x_j^*; \mu, b^*, \sigma^2)}{\pi(y_j | \mu, b^* = 0, \sigma^2)} \right)$$

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## Compare LODs

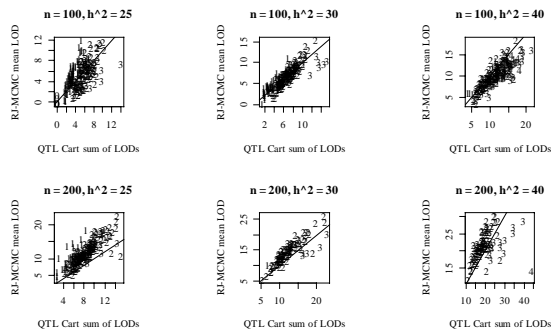
- 200 simulations (only 100 for some)
- $n = 100, 200$ ;  $h^2 = 25, 30, 40\%$
- 2 QTL at 15, 65cM
- Bayesian vs. CIM-based LODs
  - Bayesian for simultaneous fit
  - classical for sum of CIM LODs at peaks
- plot symbol is number of CIM peaks

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## Comparing LODs



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## IX: RJ-MCMC Software

- General MCMC software
  - U Bristol links
    - <http://www.stats.bris.ac.uk/MCMC/pages/links.html>
  - BUGS (Bayesian inference Using Gibbs Sampling)
    - <http://www.mrc-bsu.cam.ac.uk/bugs/>
- Our MCMC software for QTLs
  - C code using LAPACK
    - <ftp://ftp.stat.wisc.edu/pub/yandell/revjump.tar.gz>
  - coming soon:
    - perl preprocessing (to/from QtlCart format)
    - Splus post processing
    - Bayes factor computation

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## The Art of MCMC

- convergence issues
  - burn-in period & when to stop
- proper mixing of the chain
  - smart proposals & smart updates
- frequentist approach
  - simulated annealing: reaching the peak
  - simulated tempering: heating & cooling the chain
- Bayesian approach
  - influence of priors on posterior
  - Rao-Blackwell smoothing
- bump-hunting for mixtures (e.g. QTL)

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