

Evolution of the Integrated Phenotype: A Function-Valued Approach





Outline

- Evolutionary quantitative genetics: univariate, multivariate and functionvalued responses to selection
- Function-valued analyses
- Potential Projects
 - Rainbow trout
 - Flour beetles
 - Statistical comparative methods

Basic Quantitative Genetics

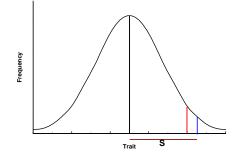
• For a continuous trait (e.g., body mass), if family relationships in the population are known, the phenotypic variance can be partitioned:

$$- V_{P} = V_{G} + V_{E}$$

• Furthermore, V_G also can be partitioned:

 $- V_{G} = V_{A} + V_{D} + V_{I}$

 V_A is additive genetic variance = average effect of allelic substitution = the portion of V_G passed from parents to offspring

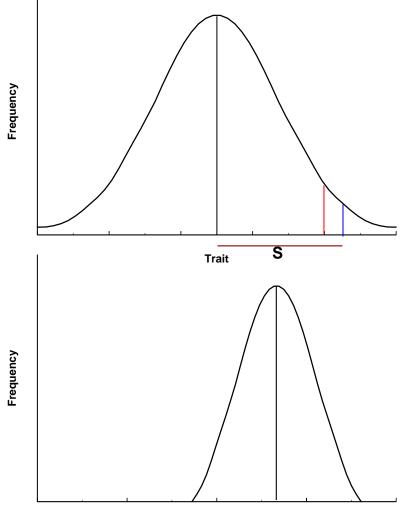


Univariate Response

• $R = h^2 s$

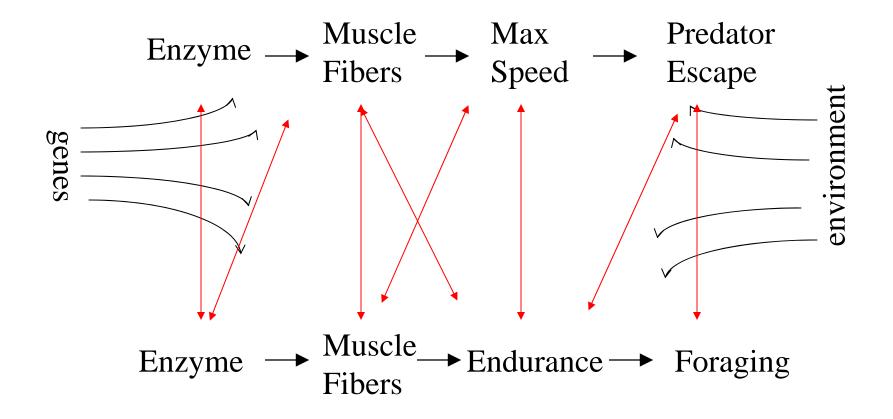
$$h^2 = V_A / V_P$$
 so

- $R = V_A(s/V_P)$
- Response requires fraction of variance to be genetic



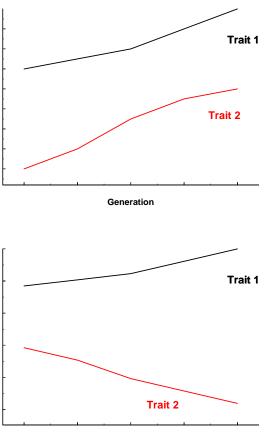
Trait

The Integrated Phenotype



Multi-Variate Response

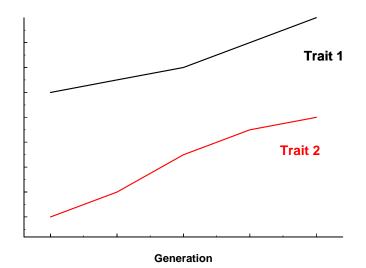
- Trait 2 responds to selection on Trait 1.
- Depends on genetic covariance
 - Caused by:
 pleiotropy
 linkage diseq
 - Effects on evolution speed up constrain

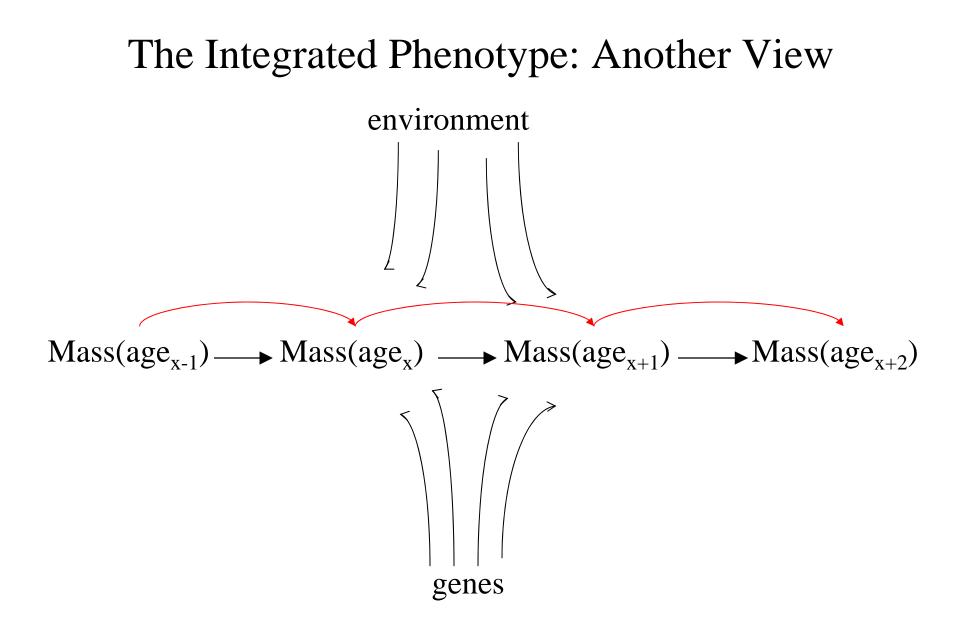


Generation

Multi-Variate Response

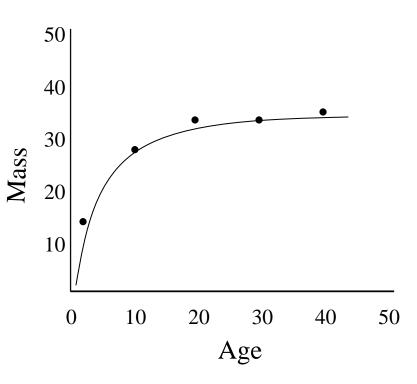
- $R = V_A(s/V_P)$
- $\Delta \overline{z} = G \beta$ $-\beta$ = selection gradient -G = trait1 trait2 $trait1 \sigma_{11} \sigma_{12}$ $trait2 \sigma_{21} \sigma_{22}$





Function-Valued Traits

- Any trait that can be described as a mathematical function of a continuous independent variable
 - ontogenetic trajectories
 - reaction norms
 - morphological shapes



Multivariate Methods Can Be Used to Evaluate F-V Traits

- Each measure treated as an independent trait
- Genetic variancecovariance matrix (G) estimated for measured ages

$$\Delta \overline{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

	day1	day3	day5
day1	σ_{11}	σ_{13}	σ_{15}
day3	σ_{13}	σ_{33}	σ_{35}
day5	σ_{15}	σ_{35}	σ_{55}

Function-Valued Response

• $R = V_A(s/V_P)$

• $\Delta \overline{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{\beta}$

•
$$\Delta \overline{z}(T) = \int G(T,\theta)\beta(\theta)d\theta$$

Advantages of Function-Valued Approach

- Order and spacing of measures utilized
- Can interpolate between measures
- Genetic variances and covariances can be estimated for *all* ages
- Data can be collected at any age
- More efficient-less data needed
- G function can be decomposed

Decomposition of G function

- Equivalent to PCA analysis of **G** matrix
- Eigenfunctions
 - Continuous counterpart of eigenvectors
 - Describes principle axes of variation
- Eigenvalues
 - Describes the amount of genetic variance in particular axis of variation



Potential Project I: Flour Beetles

- G functions of larval growth curves
- Identify genetic directions of highest and lowest potential response to selection
- This summer: Initiate selection experiments
- Measure life history traits traits



PURPOSE

- Measure body mass curves in larval
 Tribolium casteneum
- Estimate G function, Eigenfunctions
- Predict potential responses to selection
- Predict correlated responses

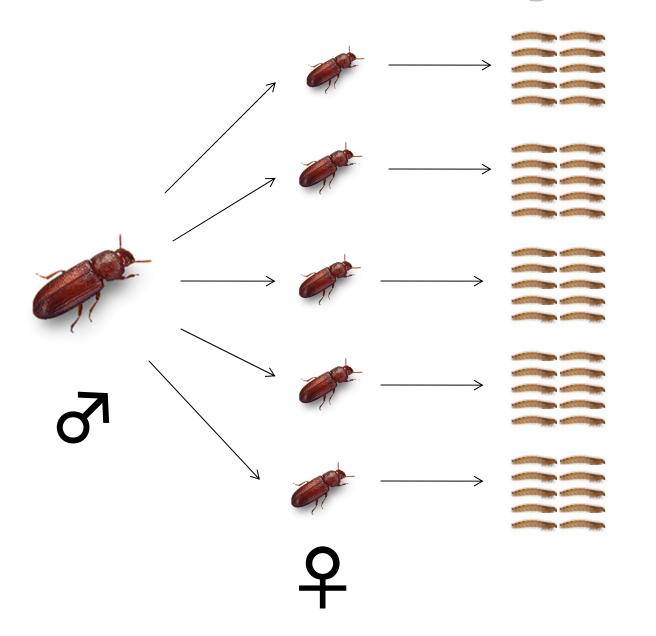


Why use *Tribolium*?

- •Relatively small size
- •Fast generational turnover
- •Limited flying ability
- •Distinct life stages
- •Entire genome sequenced
- •Low-cost culture



Half -Sib Mating Design



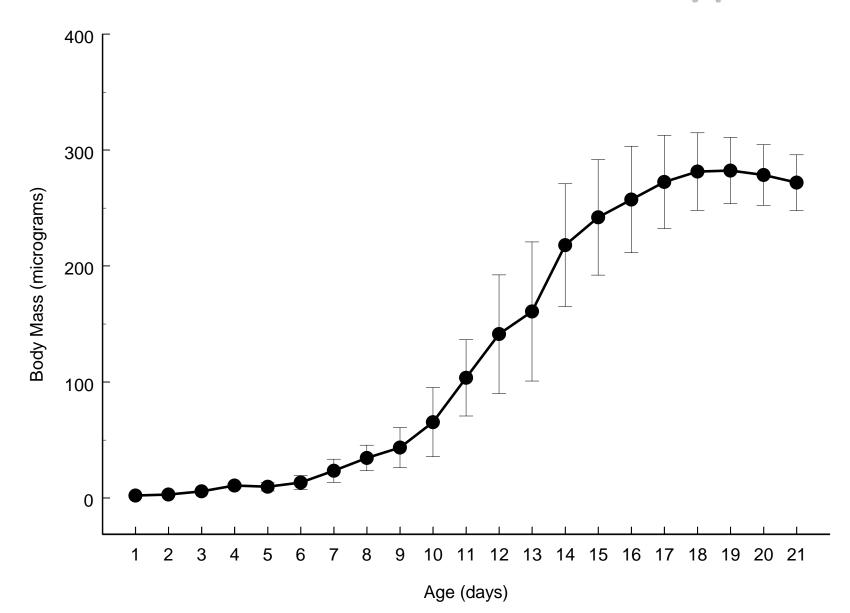
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METHODS

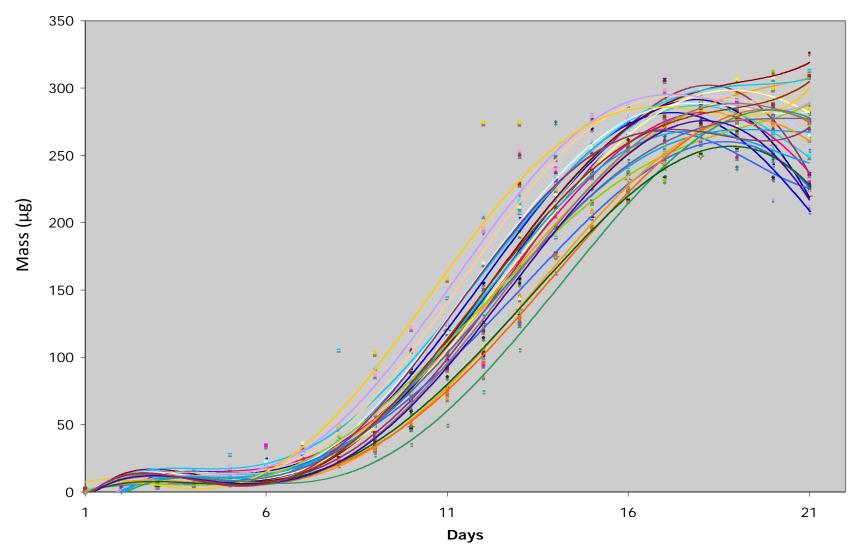
- •Virgin adults from previous culture
- •Females randomly assigned to males
- •Allowed to mate for 4 days
- •Isolated, checked daily for larvae
- •Offspring measured every 3 days
- Mass measured after pupation
- Dates of pupation and eclosion recorded



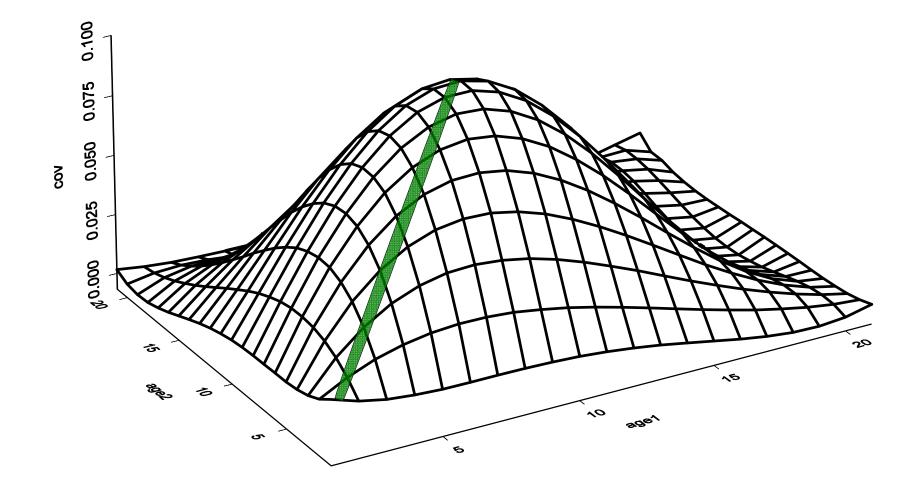
Overall Mean Phenotype



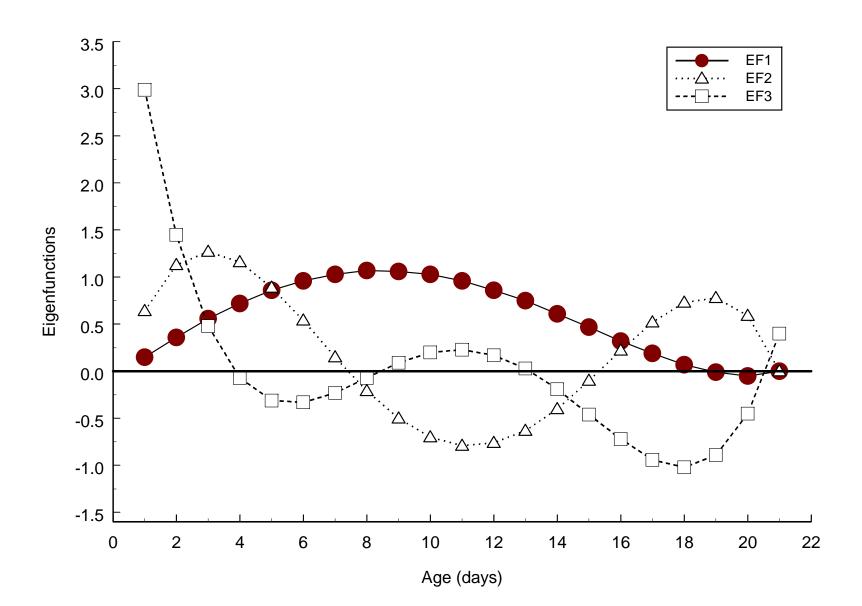
Mean Phenotype by Half-Sib Family



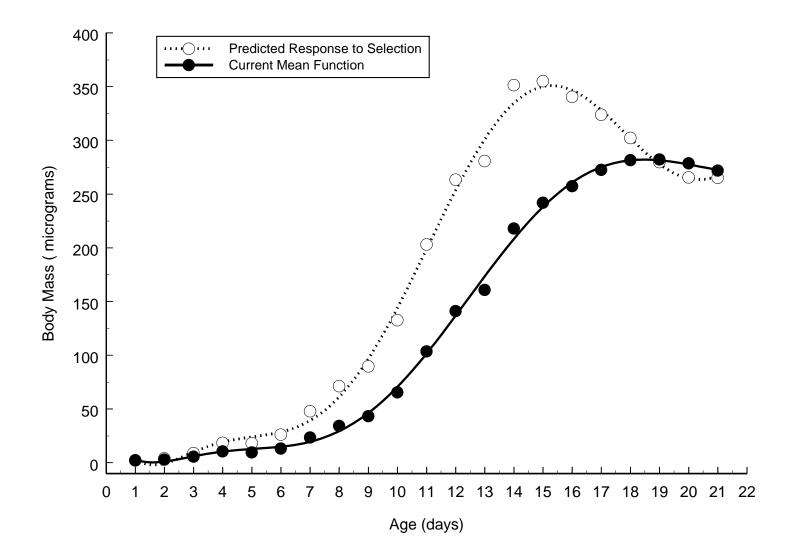
Additive Genetic Covariance Function



Eigenfunctions



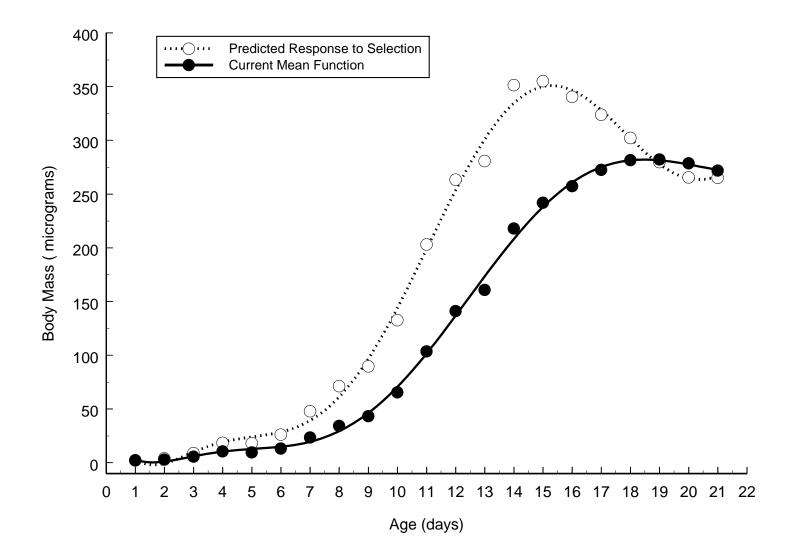
Response to Selection



Additive Genetic Correlations

	Day 2	Day 10	Day 16	Pupal	Larval	Pupal
	Mass	Mass	Mass	Mass	Period	Period
Day 2	0.808	0.802	0.752	0.557	-0.399	0.463
Mass	(0.118)	(0.070)	(0.107)	(0.136)	(0.145)	(0.235)
Day 10	0.802	0.641	0.688	0.347	-0.775	0.606
Mass	(0.070	(0.120)	(0.119)	(0.160)	(0.083)	(0.230)
Day 16	0.752	0.688	0.496	0.866	-0.375	0.264
Mass	(0.107)	(0.119)	(0.104)	(0.058)	(0.153)	(0.246)
Pupal	0.557	0.347	0.866	0.530	0.048	0.175
Mass	(0.136)	(0.160)	(0.058)	(0.110)	(0.167)	(0.255)
Larval	-0.399	-0.775	-0.375	0.048	0.469	-0.586
Period	(0.145)	(0.083)	(0.153)	(0.167)	(0.099)	(0.219)
Pupal	0.463	0.606	0.264	0.175	-0.586	0.165
Period	(0.235)	(0.230)	(0.246)	(0.255)	(0.219)	(0.090)

Response to Selection



Potential Project II: Rainbow Trout

- Evolutionary trade-offs between growth and swim curves
- Differences in growth and swim curves between domesticated and wild fish
- Swim and growth curves in native vs. nonnative temperatures



Evolutionary Trade-Offs with Body Size

- Large body size positively correlated with Darwinian fitness in many animal species
- But, still high V_A for size and growth in natural populations of animals-why?
- Trade-offs between size/growth and other components of fitness?

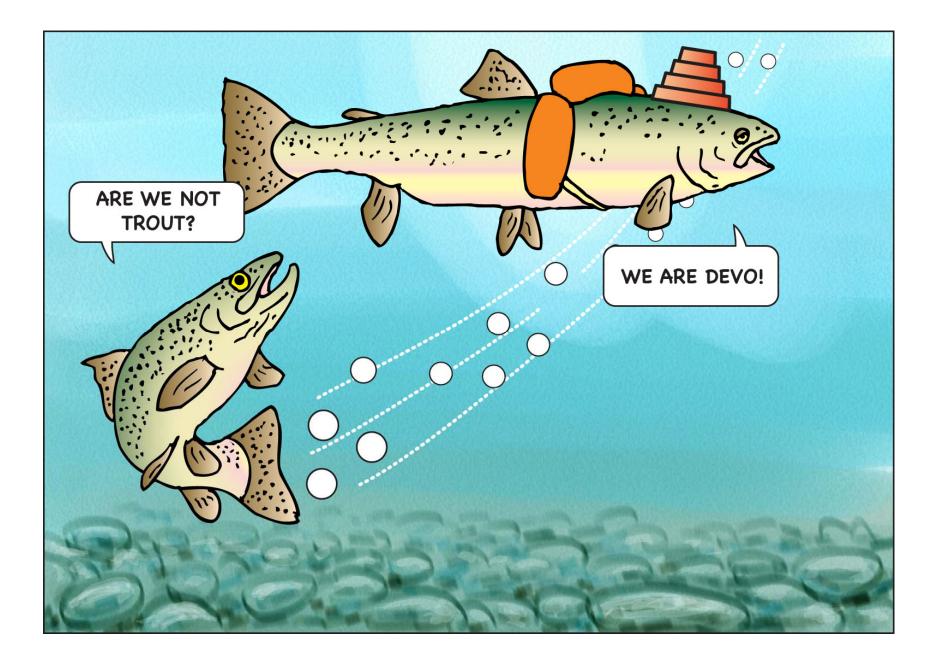


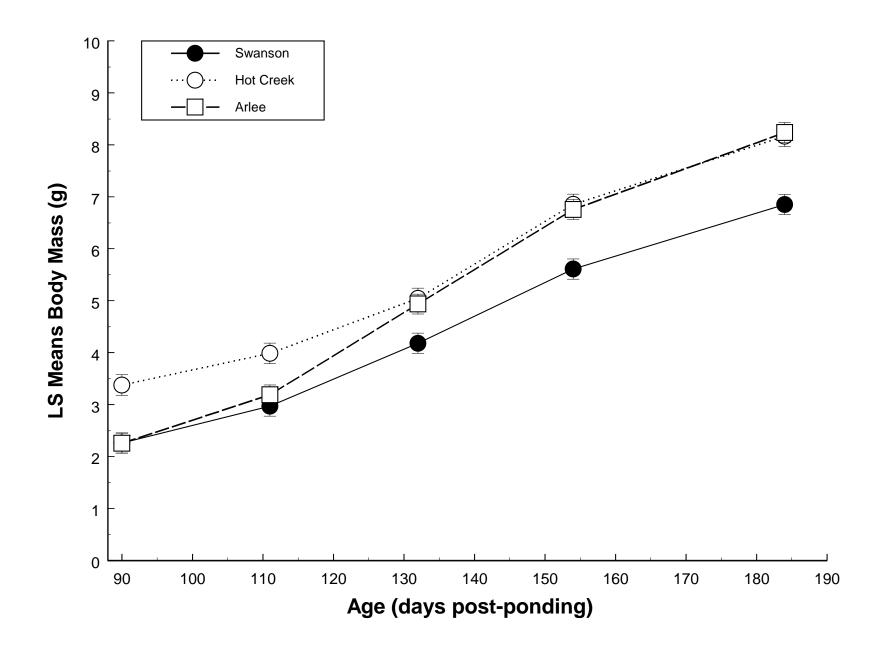


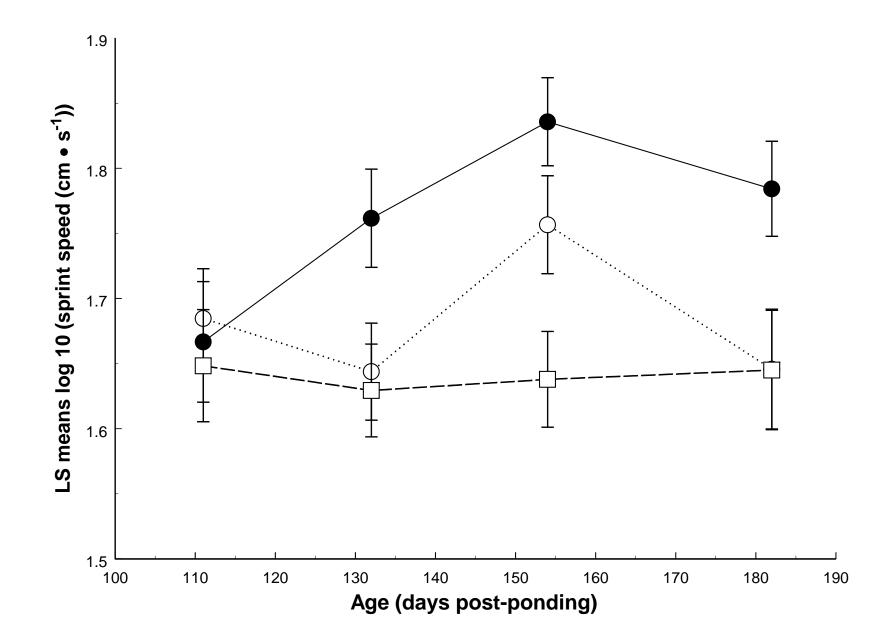
Domestication Trade-offs in Trout

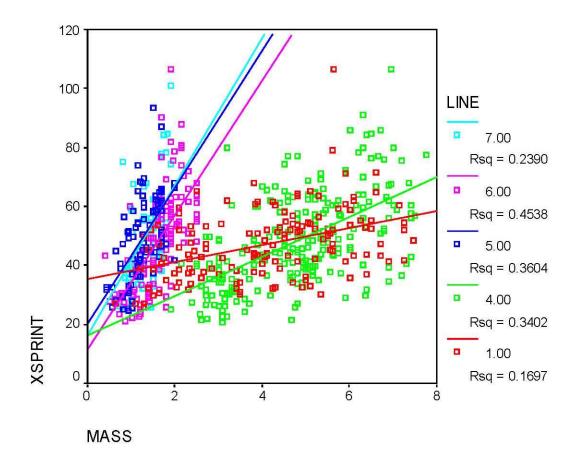
- Long term selection for high growth in hatchery populations
- May decrease other components of fitness
- Almost certainly other domesticationrelated trait evolution in hatcheries
- Hypothesis: highly domesticated fish will be larger but be poor swimmers compared to wild fish











Potential Project III: Development of Statistical Methods

- Comparison of phenotypic trajectories
 - Mouse data
 - Trout data
 - Flour beetle data

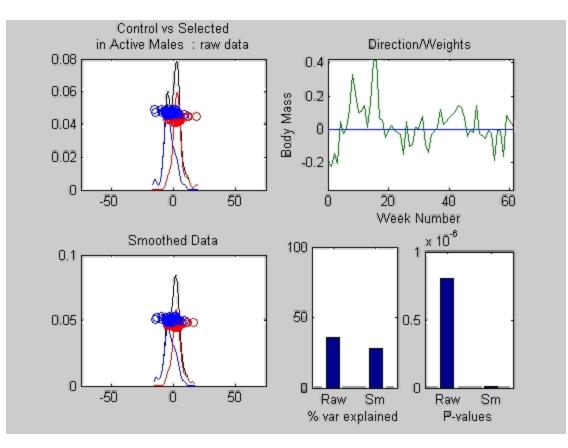


- Comparison of genetic variancecovariance functions
- Estimate covariance between FV trait and landmark trait

DWD: Distance Weighted Discrimination

- DWD is a fancy discriminate analysis.
- Each mouse, input a vector of body masses of length p and the group membership (sel vs ctrl).
- The output is a vector of weights of length p, and scores for each mouse= weighted average of body mass with weights given in the vector. The vector is calculated to show the greatest difference between the two groups. Weights plotted: x axis = 1, 2, ..., p, y axis gives the p weights.

Comparing Body Mass Phenotypic Trajectories in Active Males



Potential Project IV: Oxidative Stress in Rainbow Trout

- Functional effects of hypervariability in SOD-1 enzyme in rainbow trout
- Genetic basis of variation in SOD-1 activity and oxidative damage
- Effects of oxidative stress in aquaculture



Significance of Variation in SOD-1

- SOD-1 is an anti-oxidant enzyme that helps prevent oxidative damage to DNA and cell membranes
- Variation in SOD-1 associated with dozens of diseases (e.g., ALS, cancer)
- Rainbow trout highly variable at SOD-1
- Hatchery trout exposed to high levels of oxidative stress

SOD-1 Plan in Trout

- Do clones differ in SOD-1 enzyme activity? Prelim data say yes.
- Do clones differ in DNA and membrane damage:
 - At young ages
 - At old ages
 - After oxygen stress treatment
- Map QTLs for SOD-1 activity and oxidative damage

