Restricted selection and effective population size

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Summary – A simple and flexible selection method, 'restricted truncation selection', has been developed to screen superior individuals from populations with family structure. 'Restricted' means placing limits on the contributions of families to the selected group and on the number of families allowed to contribute. Selection is made on the basis of individual performance judged by phenotype or breeding value estimate. Formulae have been derived to predict the approximate effective population size in the selected group. Changes in the restrictions used modify the distribution of family contributions and thus lead to different effective sizes in the selected population. Effective size is influenced by sib type, heritability, selection intensity, initial family number and size. It is decreased by restrictions on the family number but increased by restrictions on family contributions. The application of the predictions of effective sizes to planning a breeding population is discussed.

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Résumé – Sélection avec restriction et effectif génétique. Une méthode de sélection simple et flexible, appelée « sélection par troncature avec restriction», a été mise au point pour retenir les individus supérieurs dans des populations à structure familiale. La restriction revient à imposer des contraintes sur la contribution des familles au groupe sélectionné et sur le nombre de familles autorisées à contribuer. La sélection est basée sur la performance individuelle phénotypique ou sur une estimée de valeur génétique. Des formules approximatives de calcul de l'effectif génétique du groupe sélectionné sont données. Des changements dans les contraintes appliquées modifient la distribution des contributions familiales et conduisent ainsi à des effectifs génétiques différents dans les populations sélectionnées. L'effectif génétique dépend du type de famille, de l'héritabilité, du nombre initial de familles et de leur taille. Cet effectif diminue si on impose des contraintes sur le nombre de familles mais augmente si les contraintes portent sur les contributions familiales. L'application des prédictions d'effectif génétique dans la planification d'expériences de sélection est discutée.

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INTRODUCTION

In a population with uniform family structure, selection leads to different families making different contributions to the selected group. Effective population size, if concerning family number (Robertson, 1961), is thus always lower in the selected population than the initial size, except when all families contribute the same numbers of individuals. Reduction of effective population size is an inevitable effect, for example, of truncation selection based on either phenotype or optimal index (Lush, 1947; Robertson, 1961; Burrows, 1984; Falconer, 1989). Wei (1995) has therefore proposed a modified truncation selection method in which restrictions are placed on the number of individuals selected from a family, and also on the number of families from which selections are made. It has been shown that truncation selection with restrictions can be used for the manipulation of both effective size and genetic gain in the selected population (Wei, 1995). This study attempts to increase the general applicability of the method and to derive approximate formulations for predicting the effective size following selection.

ASSUMPTIONS AND SELECTION THEORY

Consider a group of m unrelated or equally related families, each of s members that are genetically related by the coefficient of relatedness, r. The observed phenotypes of all individuals are recorded. The phenotype of the kth individual of the jth family could be expressed as the sum of two independent variables.

$$x_{jk} = x_j + d_{jk}$$

where x_j are family means, and d_{jk} are within-family deviations. If the family means have variance σ_b^2 and within-family deviations have variance σ_w^2 , the total phenotypic variance, σ_t^2 , is $\sigma_t^2 = \sigma_b^2 + \sigma_w^2$ and the ratio of the phenotypic variance of family mean to the total phenotypic variance is

$$K = \sigma_b^2 / \sigma_t^2$$

Selection criteria will be the phenotypic value or optimal index that best predicts the breeding value of an individual (Lush, 1947; Falconer, 1989). In the following development the index will be treated in the same way as phenotypic value but with a different value for the ratio (K^*) of the variance of family mean to the total variance given by Wei and Lindgren (1994) in the form

$$K^* = \beta^2 K / \left[\beta^2 K + (1-\beta)^2 (1-K)\right]$$

where $\beta = (1 - K)[1 + (s - 1)r]/\{[1 + (s - 1)r](1 - 2K) + sK\}.$

A proportion (P) of individuals will be selected. Two restrictions are imposed: one on the maximum number (s_r) of individuals that may be contributed by a family and one on the number (m_r) of families that are allowed to contribute. Thus, the m_r top-ranking families with the s_r top-ranking individual in each family are shortlisted. Superior individuals are finally truncated from the shortlist, on the basis of phenotypic value or optimal index. Let $P_1 = s_r/s$ and $P_2 = m_r/m$, the proportions of the restrictions s_r and m_r to the family size and number respectively. The extreme cases of restricted selection with specified P_1 and P_2 values describe conventional selections and onestep restricted selections as follows (Falconer, 1989; Wei, 1995; Wei and Lindgren, 1996). When both P_1 and P_2 are one, selection is based on either phenotypic or optimal index value but is unrestricted. $P_1 = P$ (and thus $P_2 = 1$) describes within-family selection, and $P_2 = P$ (and thus $P_1 = 1$) corresponds to between-family selection. Selection with $P_1P_2 = P$ represents the permutations of combined between-family and within-family truncation. One-step restricted selection means restrictions being imposed on either just family number ($P_2 = 1$) or just family contributions ($P_1 = 1$).

EFFECTIVE POPULATION SIZE AND APPROXIMATIONS

Let n_j denote the number selected from the *j*th family and total selections $n = \sum n_j$. Two types of definitions for effective population size are considered:

$$N_{\rm R} = \frac{n^2}{\Sigma n_j^2} = \frac{n^2}{m P_2 E(n_j^2)}$$
[1]

and

$$N_{\rm B} = \frac{n(n-1)}{r\Sigma n_j(n_j-1)} = \frac{n(n-1)}{rmP_2 E[n_j(n_j-1)]}$$
[2]

where $E(n_j^2)$ is the second moment of n_j samples and $E[n_j(n_j - 1)]$ is the second factorial moment. Both were developed for considering inbreeding effect in offspring $(N_{\rm R}$ by Robertson, 1961; $N_{\rm B}$ by Burrows, 1984) although the values may have potential uses in other senses. Considering selfing of selected individuals into random mating, $0.5[r/N_{\rm R} + (1 - r)/n]$ is the average inbreeding coefficient (ΔF) of progeny. If selfing is excluded, $0.5/N_{\rm B}$ is then the average pairwise coancestry in the selected group relative to the parents of the population, and therefore is the average inbreeding coefficient of progeny produced by random mating among selected individuals.

For planning breeding programmes, breeders often need to predict selection differentials (genetic gain) as well as effective population size by using existing information (eg, K value) and designated operation parameters (m, s, P, P_1, P_2 in the present case). Here we proceed in analogy with Burrows (1984) and Wei and Lindgren (1996) to reformulate [1] and [2] to enable the prediction of effective size.

We assume that U_j represents the number of individuals in the *j*th sampled family with performance exceeding the truncation point relative to P, P_1 and P_2 . Thus, they sum to a random variable and are distributed over integers $0, 1, \ldots, s_r$. As shown in the *Appendix*, the required moments of U_j are

$$E(U_j) = sP \tag{3}$$

$$E(U_j^2) = \frac{sP^2(sP_1 - 1)}{P_1N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)} + E(U_j) = sP\frac{sPP_1 + P_1N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) - P}{P_1N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)}$$
[4]

 and

$$E[U_j(U_j - 1)] = \frac{sP^2(sP_1 - 1)}{P_1N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)}$$
[5]

where $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ stands for the corresponding effective population size under selection from a population of infinitely large family number and size. Let f(x)denote the density function of the family mean (x) in an infinite population, and p(x) the proportion of members selected from a family. Then the term $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ is expressed in the integral form (Wei, 1995; Wei and Lindgren, 1991)

$$N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) = \frac{P^2}{\int p(x)^2 f(x) dx}$$
[6]

Clearly $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ measures the relative value of effective size compared to that before selection. As K = 0, selection is completely based on within-family deviations, thus $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$; as K = 1, selection is completely based on family means, thus $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) = P/P_1$. To obtain $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ for K between 0 and 1, numerical computation is needed (for full details see Burrows, 1984; Wei and Lindgren, 1991; Wei, 1995).

In contrast to U_j , n_j represents a consequence of censorship applied to the population sample. The n_j are constrained to sum to n and are distributed over integers $0, 1, \ldots, \min(s_r, n)$. Thus we do not directly employ $E(U_j^2)$ and $E[U_j(U_j-1)]$ as the respective approximations of $E(n_j^2)$ and $E[n_j(n_j-1)]$. Instead, we assume that

$$E(n_j^2) = WE(U_j^2)$$
^[7]

and

$$E[n_{j}(n_{j}-1)] = VE[U_{j}(U_{j}-1)]$$
[8]

in which W and V will be obtained for two cases.

When only K = 0 is considered

When K = 0 there is no difference among families, and selection is based on withinfamily deviations but is random with respect to pedigree. By using K = 0 as a factor, formulations for predicting effective population sizes have been developed for unrestricted selection and one-step restricted selection (Burrows, 1984; Wei and Lindgren, 1996). Proceeding in a similar way, the relevant hypergeometric sampling moments for the present situation yield

$$E[n_j(n_j-1)] = \frac{sP(sP_1-1)(msP-1)}{P_2(msP_1P_2-1)}$$
[9]

and

$$E(n_j^2) = \frac{s^2 P(msPP_1 + mP_1P_2 - mP - P_1)}{P_2(msP_1P_2 - 1)}$$
[10]

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When K = 0, [7] yields the same result as [10]. By using $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) = P_2$, [4], [7] and [10], W is solved in the form

$$W = \frac{sP_1(msPP_1 + mP_1P_2 - mP - P_1)}{(msP_1P_2 - 1)(sPP_1 + P_1P_2 - P)}$$
[11]

Therefore an estimative approximation to [1] is

$$N_{R1} = \frac{mPN_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)(msP_1P_2 - 1)(sPP_1 + P_1P_2 - P)}{P_2(msPP_1 + mP_1P_2 - mP - P_1)[sPP_1 + P_1N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) - P]}$$
[12]

As [8] yields the same result as [9] at K = 0, we could obtain

$$V = \frac{P_1(msP - 1)}{P(msP_1P_2 - 1)}$$
[13]

and

$$N_{B1} = \frac{N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)(msP_1P_2 - 1)}{rP_2(sP_1 - 1)}$$
[14]

When both K = 0 and K = 1 are considered

Obtaining the consequences of selection for the special case when K = 1 is easy. Because K = 1 means no variation within families, and truncation selection is completely based on family means with family contributions either P_1 or zero, we have

$$E(n_j^2) = \frac{s^2 P P_1}{P_2}$$
[15]

and

$$E[n_j(n_j - 1)] = \frac{sP(sP_1 - 1)}{P_2}$$
[16]

Meanwhile, for infinite populations, $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) = P/P_1$. A linear relationship between W and $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$, which passes the two limiting cases [10] and [15], produces

$$W = \frac{P_1 N_r (K, P, P_1, P_2) - P}{P_1 P_2 - P} \left[\frac{s P_1 (m s P P_1 + m P_1 P_2 - m P - P_1)}{(m s P_1 P_2 - 1)(s P P_1 + P_1 P_2 - P)} - \frac{1}{P_2} \right] + \frac{1}{P_2}$$
[17]

Thus, [1] could be predicted using

$$N_{R2} = \frac{msPP_1N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)}{P_2W[sPP_1 + P_1N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) - P]}$$
[18]

In the same way, we can obtain the following using [5], [8], [9] and [16]:

$$V = \frac{P_1 N_r (K, P, P_1, P_2) - P}{P_1 P_2 - P} \left[\frac{P_1 (msP - 1)}{P(msP_1 P_2 - 1)} - \frac{1}{P_2} \right] + \frac{1}{P_2}$$
[19]

and

$$N_{B2} = \frac{P_1 N_r (K, P, P_1, P_2) (msP - 1)}{r P P_2 V [sP_1 - 1]}$$
[20]

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The effective population size following selection illustrates the possible disadvantages (eg, inbreeding depression) of using selection in production populations, and the richness of genetic resources achieved for further selection and breeding. Knowledge of effective size helps a breeder assess the benefits and risks associated with a breeding operation such as selection in planning a breeding programme.

When selection is applied to a breeding population or progeny test, effective population sizes can be calculated directly from pedigrees of selections using [1] and [2]. Before testing, the prediction of effective sizes requires prior knowledge of Kand $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$, except in the extreme cases $P_1 = P, P_2 = P$ and $P_1P_2 = P$. To plan an advanced- or improved-generation breeding population, values of Kderived from measurements of the last generation could be directly employed. In planning a new breeding programme, a reliable value of K is often not available. Any information about the genetics of the species under consideration can then be used to synthesize K, such as data from similar tests in the same or similar environments, or trials at clonal, individual, family (sibs), population, provenance or even species levels in greenhouse, nursery or field conditions. Breeders should use existing knowledge to make the best possible estimate of K.

The effective population size, $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$, from infinite populations is used to draw general conclusions and to predict $N_{\rm R}$ and $N_{\rm B}$ from finite populations. For unrestricted selection, $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ could be computed using the same procedure as Burrows (1984) and Wei and Lindgren (1991). Truncation points corresponding to P can be obtained or interpolated from existing tables and computational programmes. When restrictions are imposed, the population for selection has truncated distributions of family means and within-family deviations. Searching for a truncation point corresponding to P, P_1 , and P_2 becomes complicated. A numerical procedure to calculate $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ has been documented in previous studies (Wei, 1995; Wei and Lindgren, 1996).

With assumption that family mean and within-family deviations are normally distributed, and the total phenotypic variance is one, an example is given to show $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ at P = 0.01 for different K, P_1 and P_2 values (table I). As K increases, effective size rapidly decreases except where $P_1 = P, P_2 = P$ and $P_1P_2 = P$. At given K values, the restrictions yield different results, in comparison with unrestricted selection, depending on which type of restriction is used. A restriction on family contributions leads to a more dispersed distribution of selections among families, and thus higher effective size. The trend becomes most evident when K is high and the restriction is strong. In contrast, a restriction on family number drastically reduces effective size, especially at low K.

Analysis of predicted effective population sizes for a small population (table II) suggests the same effects. The optimal index selection is, for instance, worse than phenotypic selection in conserving effective size because K^* is much higher than

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Table I. Effective population size, $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$, following restricted selection from infinitely large populations for P = 0.01 and different K, P_1 and P_2 values.

P ₁ P ₂ K											
		0.010	0.025	0.050	0.075	0.100	0.125	0.150	0.200	0.250	0.300
1.00	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.10 \\ 0.05 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.9320 \\ 0.4881 \\ 0.2469 \\ 0.0994 \\ 0.0499 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.8404 \\ 0.4686 \\ 0.2418 \\ 0.0985 \\ 0.0496 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.7112 \\ 0.4346 \\ 0.2325 \\ 0.0969 \\ 0.0492 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.6057 \\ 0.4003 \\ 0.2226 \\ 0.0951 \\ 0.0488 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.5191 \\ 0.3667 \\ 0.2123 \\ 0.0932 \\ 0.0483 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.4473 \\ 0.3346 \\ 0.2018 \\ 0.0912 \\ 0.0479 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.3875\\ 0.3044\\ 0.1912\\ 0.0892\\ 0.0474\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.2951 \\ 0.2503 \\ 0.1702 \\ 0.0848 \\ 0.0463 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.2286 \\ 0.2049 \\ 0.1500 \\ 0.0801 \\ 0.0451 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.1797 \\ 0.1676 \\ 0.1311 \\ 0.0752 \\ 0.0438 \end{array}$
0.500	$\begin{array}{c} 0.01 \\ 1.0 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.10 \\ 0.05 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100 \\ 0.9320 \\ 0.4881 \\ 0.2469 \\ 0.0994 \\ 0.0499 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100 \\ 0.8404 \\ 0.4686 \\ 0.2418 \\ 0.0985 \\ 0.0496 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.7112\\ 0.4346\\ 0.2325\\ 0.0969\\ 0.0492 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.6057\\ 0.4003\\ 0.0226\\ 0.0951\\ 0.0488 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.5191\\ 0.3667\\ 0.2123\\ 0.0932\\ 0.0483 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.4473\\ 0.3346\\ 0.2018\\ 0.0912\\ 0.0479 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.3875\\ 0.3044\\ 0.1912\\ 0.0892\\ 0.0474 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.2951\\ 0.2503\\ 0.1702\\ 0.0848\\ 0.0463\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.2286\\ 0.2050\\ 0.1501\\ 0.0802\\ 0.0453 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0100\\ 0.1800\\ 0.1678\\ 0.1313\\ 0.0755\\ 0.0441 \end{array}$
0.250	$1.0 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.10 \\ 0.05$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.9320 \\ 0.4881 \\ 0.2469 \\ 0.0994 \\ 0.0499 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.8404 \\ 0.4686 \\ 0.2418 \\ 0.0985 \\ 0.0497 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.7112 \\ 0.4346 \\ 0.2325 \\ 0.0969 \\ 0.0494 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.6057 \\ 0.4003 \\ 0.0226 \\ 0.0951 \\ 0.0492 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.5191 \\ 0.3667 \\ 0.2123 \\ 0.0933 \\ 0.0491 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.4473 \\ 0.3347 \\ 0.2019 \\ 0.0916 \\ 0.0490 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.3876 \\ 0.3046 \\ 0.1915 \\ 0.0898 \\ 0.0488 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.2961 \\ 0.2514 \\ 0.1714 \\ 0.0864 \\ 0.0486 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.2321 \\ 0.2083 \\ 0.1532 \\ 0.0833 \\ 0.0484 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.1868 \\ 0.1745 \\ 0.1372 \\ 0.0804 \\ 0.0482 \end{array}$
0.100	$1.0 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.01$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.9320 \\ 0.4881 \\ 0.2469 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.8404 \\ 0.4686 \\ 0.2418 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.7112 \\ 0.4346 \\ 0.2328 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.6060 \\ 0.4008 \\ 0.2242 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.5210 \\ 0.3692 \\ 0.2165 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.4531 \\ 0.3409 \\ 0.2095 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.3996 \\ 0.3164 \\ 0.2033 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.3237 \\ 0.2765 \\ 0.1927 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.2739 \\ 0.2466 \\ 0.1838 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.2400 \\ 0.2234 \\ 0.1760 \\ 0.0100 \end{array}$
0.050	$1.0 \\ 0.50 \\ 0.25$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.9320 \\ 0.4881 \\ 0.2475 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.8404 \\ 0.4688 \\ 0.2453 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.7130 \\ 0.4389 \\ 0.2431 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.6173 \\ 0.4145 \\ 0.2415 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.5477 \\ 0.3949 \\ 0.2402 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.4965 \\ 0.3788 \\ 0.2392 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.4578 \\ 0.3653 \\ 0.2383 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.4031 \\ 0.3435 \\ 0.2367 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.3641 \\ 0.3263 \\ 0.2353 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.3404 \\ 0.3124 \\ 0.2340 \end{array}$
0.10	1.0	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000

P_1 :	Restriction	on	family	size;	P_2 :	restriction	\mathbf{on}	family	num	ber.
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K. This is consistent with unrestricted selection (Robertson, 1961; Burrows, 1984; Wei and Lindgren, 1991). The two definitions, [1] and [2], are different in value but are related in a way (Kimura and Crow, 1963; Burrows, 1984). The inbreeding coefficient of progeny produced by random mating among selections can be easily obtained using either [1] or [2]. For both of them, two types of approximations give very close results, especially when a strong restriction on family number is used.

Several other factors may influence effective size following selection. For characters with given hereditary ability (heritability), half-sib families have larger withinfamily variation (lower K) than full-sib families, so they are a better choice for conservation of high effective size. Intense selection (low P), which is often used for rapid genetic gain in selective breeding, often leads to drastic reductions in effective size (Wei and Lindgren, 1991). Values of P should be deliberately chosen. Table III shows the effects of family number and size on the effective size following selection. While the effective size (N_R) increases significantly with family number, the

P ₁	P_2	1	Based on	phenotype	8	Based on optimal index values				
		N _{R1}	N _{R2}	N _{B1}	N_{B2}	N _{R1}	N_{R2}	N _{B1}	N _{B2}	
1.0	1.0	9.51	9.45	24.42	24.16	3.30	3.25	7.05	6.90	
	0.75	8.88	8.83	22.29	22.13	3.30	3.25	7.04	6.90	
	0.50	7.29	7.26	17.39	17.31	3.30	3.25	7.03	6.90	
	0.25	4.49	4.49	9.87	9.86	3.16	3.14	6.70	6.63	
0.75	1.0	9.64	9.57	24.84	24.58	3.76	3.72	8.14	7.99	
	0.75	8.99	8.95	22.67	22.50	3.76	3.72	8.14	7.99	
	0.50	7.38	7.36	17.67	17.59	3.76	3.72	8.12	7.99	
	0.25	4.55	4.55	10.02	10.01	3.56	3.54	7.63	7.58	
0.50	1.0	9.94	9.87	25.86	25.59	5.03	4.97	11.27	11.06	
	0.75	9.28	9.23	23.60	23.43	5.02	4.96	11.23	11.05	
	0.50	7.64	7.62	18.43	18.36	5.00	4.95	11.15	11.02	
	0.25	4.78	4.78	10.59	10.58	4.52	4.51	9.94	9.91	
0.25	1.0	11.76	11.70	32.56	32.28	8.95	8.87	22.54	22.23	
	0.75	11.04	11.00	29.75	29.60	8.88	8.82	22.30	22.07	
	0.50	9.20	9.19	23.29	23.26	8.66	8.64	21.56	21.49	

Table II. Predicted effective population size for restricted selection from a population of 20 full-sib families, each of 20 members when K = 0.2 ($K^* = 0.830$) and P = 0.1.

It is assumed that family means and within-family deviations are normally distributed, and the total phenotypic variance is one. N_{R1} and N_{R2} are approximations ([12] and [18] respectively) to Robertson's effective size; N_{B1} and N_{B2} are approximations ([14] and [20] respectively) to Burrow's effective size.

increase with family size is trivial. This suggests that if effective size is of concern, having many families in breeding populations is more important.

Because selection is totally at random when K = 0, a drift effect due to small family size is included in the approximations of effective size (eqs [12], [14], [18] and [20]). Small differences between N_R and N_{R2} (or N_B and N_{B2}) (table II) may be explained by the decreasing influences of K on drift effect as it approaches one (Wei and Lindgren, 1994, 1996). The approximation (eqs [12] and [14]) yield the exact values when K = 0 and $m \to \infty$ (Burrows, 1984; Woolliams, 1989). This is also true for [18] and [20]. Moreover [18] and [20] give the exact value at K = 1. It has been found that the approximations for unrestricted selection underestimate effective size when K > 0 and family number is small (Woolliams, 1989). Computer simulation shows (table IV) that restriction (both P_1 and P_2) greatly improves the prediction of effective size. Increasing family number could also better the prediction at a given family size, although large family size has a negative effect (table IV). The quantity $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$ is a limiting result for large family number (m). The prediction of effective size for small m could then be improved by the adjustment of $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)$, denoted by $N_r^*(K, P, P_1, P_2)$, according to Burrows (1984).

$$N_r^*(K, P, P_1, P_2) = mP_2 N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) / [(m-1)P_2 + N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2)], m \ge 1/P_2$$

Table III. Predicted effective sizes (N_{R2}) under restricted selection from full-sib families for two family numbers (m), family sizes (s) and ratios (K) of family mean variance to the total variance.

P ₁	P_2	s = 40				s = 40				
		m =	= 20	m =	= 40	m =	= 20	m =	= 40	
		s1	s2	s1	s2	s1	s2	s1	s2	
		(K =	= 0.25	$K^* = 0.8623)$		(K =	0.15 F	$K^* = 0.85$	$C^* = 0.8563$	
1.0	1.0	9.20	1.78	18.16	3.48	10.24	1.83	20.22	3.57	
	0.50	6.93	1.78	13.70	3.48	7.44	1.82	14.76	3.56	
	0.25	4.27	1.76	8.45	3.45	4.42	1.80	8.78	3.53	
0.50	1.0	9.38	2.71	18.53	5.31	10.34	2.76	20.44	5.39	
	0.50	7.07	2.70	13.99	5.29	7.52	2.74	14.93	5.38	
	0.25	4.35	2.65	8.64	5.22	4.47	2.68	8.89	5.29	
0.25	1.0	9.89	4.83	19.56	9.50	10.74	4.91	21.23	9.64	
	0.50	7.52	4.76	14.93	9.39	7.87	4.82	15.65	9.52	
	0.25	4.76	4.44	9.50	8.85	4.80	4.47	9.59	8.91	
0.125	1.0	11.89	8.86	23.58	17.52	12.62	9.00	25.03	17.76	
	0.50	9.19	8.57	18.34	17.08	9.35	8.65	18.67	17.23	
		(K	= 0.3 1	$K^* = 0.77$	706)	$(K = 0.3 K^* = 0.7104)$			04)	
1.0	1.0	6.30	2.45	12.39	4.80	$6.\dot{7}4$	2.56	13.25	5.00	
	0.50	5.48	2.44	10.81	4.78	5.79	2.54	11.43	4.98	
	0.25	3.83	2.32	7.57	4.57	3.94	2.40	7.82	4.73	
0.50	1.0	6.50	3.23	12.78	6.33	6.89	3.32	13.56	6.50	
	0.50	5.66	3.21	11.18	6.30	5.92	3.29	11.71	6.47	
	0.25	3.97	3.01	7.87	5.95	4.06	3.07	8.06	6.07	
0.25	1.0	7.62	5.28	15.02	10.35	8.01	5.39	15.78	10.61	
	0.50	6.66	5.17	13.19	10.22	6.89	5.29	13.66	10.45	
	0.25	4.70	4.53	9.37	9.03	4.73	4.57	9.45	9.11	
0.125	1.0	10.63	9.11	21.05	18.09	11.07	9.31	21.90	18.43	
	0.50	9.06	8.73	18.06	17.41	9.19	8.84	18.35	17.62	

It is assumed that family means and within-family deviations are normally distributed, the total phenotypic variance is one and the selected proportion (P) is 0.05. s1: Selection based on phenotypes; s2: selection based on optimal index values.

which is bounded at P_2 as $N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) = P_2$, especially $N_r^*(K, P, P_1, P_2) = P_2 = 1$ as m = 1.

		$N_{R1}(N_{Rs}/CV)$	
$\overline{K = 0.2 m = 20 s = 20} \\ P = 0.1 P_2 = 0.5$	$P_1 = 1 7.29(7.52/0.122)$	$P_1 = 0.5 7.64(7.61/0.104)$	$\begin{array}{c} P_1 = 0.25 \\ 9.20(9.13/0.029) \end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll} K=0.2 & m=20 & s=20 \\ P=0.1 & P_1=0.5 \end{array}$	$P_2 = 1$	$P_2 = 0.5$	$P_2 = 0.25$
	9.94(10.14/0.165)	7.64(7.61/0.104)	4.78(4.75/0.024)
K = 2 $m = 20$ $P = 0.05$	s = 20	$s = 40 \ 6.54(6.88/0.170)$	s = 60
$P_1 = 0.5$ $P_2 = 0.5$	5.91(6.09/0.188)		6.77(7.08/0.163)
	m = 20	m = 40	m = 60
	5.91(6.09/0.188)	11.67(11.77/0.149)	17.43(17.40/0.122)

Table IV. Comparison of predicted (N_{R1}) and simulated (N_{Rs}) effective population sizes on varying P_1 , P_2 , m or s while other parameters are kept constant.

The simulated effective sizes, N_{Rs} are the averaged values over 500 runs of simulations, and CV are the corresponding variable coefficients.

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APPENDIX

Restricted selection is applied to the $m_r s_r (= msP_1P_2)$ individuals shortlisted by considering both restrictions. Those with the highest performances are truncated at the point x_T , corresponding to P, P_1 and P_2 . Assume that the family mean, $x_j = x$, is a continuous random variable with a density function f(x). The truncation point for a particular family with mean value x on a standardized scale is expressed as $y = (x_T - x)/\sigma_w$. Let F denote the unit distribution function. In the *j*th family with $x_j = x$, the probability that the performance of an individual exceeds x_T is $[1 - F(y)]/P_1$, and the probability that the performance is less than x_T is $[F(y) + P_1 - 1)]/P_1$. We can reasonably assume that 1 - F(y) = 0 and F(y) = 1 for the $m - m_r$ rejected families. Then the probability that in the *j*th family, $U_j(=u)$ individuals have a value greater than x_T and $s_r - u$ have a value less than x_T , $p_u = pr(U_j = u)$ is given by integrating over the distribution of x (Burrows, 1984) in the form

$$p_u = \binom{s_r}{u} [F(y)]^{s_r - u} [1 - F(y)]^u f(x) dx$$

where the integral part is the expectation with respect to the family mean x. Thus, the moment-generating function for U_j is

$$M(\theta) = \sum_{u=0}^{s_r} e^{\theta u} p_u = \int \{F(y) + e^{\theta} [1 - F(y)]\}^{s_r} f(x) dx$$

The expectations of U_j and U_j^2 are given by the values of the first and second derivatives of $M(\theta)$ at $\theta = 0$:

$$E(U_j) = M'(0) = s_r \int \{ [1 - F(y)] / P_1 \} f(x) dx = sP$$

and

$$\begin{split} E(U_j^2) &= M''(0) = s_r(s_r - 1) \int \{ [1 - F(y)] / P_1 \}^2 f(x) dx + E(U_j) = \\ &\quad s(sP_1 - 1) P^2 / P_1 N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) + sP = \\ &\quad sP[sPP_1 + P_1 N_r(K, P, P_1, P_2) - P] / [P_1 N_r(K, P, P_1 P_2)] \end{split}$$

Similarly we can obtain the probability generating function for U_j :

$$P(\theta) = \sum_{u=0}^{s_r} \theta^u p_u = \int \{F(y) + \theta[1 - F(y)]\}^{s_r} f(x) dx, \ |\theta| \le 1$$

The expectation of $U_j(U_j - 1)$ is given by the value of the second derivatives of $P(\theta)$ at $\theta = 1$:

$$E[U_j(U_j-1)] = P''(1) = s_r(s_r-1) \int \{[1-F(y)]/P_1\}^2 f(x)dx = s(sP_1-1)P^2/P_1N_r(K,P,P_1,P_2)$$