

# Information Theory: Practice

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“If all the statisticians in the world were laid head to toe,  
they wouldn't be able to reach a conclusion.”  
- Anonymous

Introduction to Quantitative Biology, Fall 2016

# Class announcements

- Reading assignment for Wednesday, September 28
  - Railsback & Grimm: Chapter 1: Models, Agent-Based Models, and the Modeling Cycle
- Lab this week: We will work through Chapter 2 of Railsback & Grimm (Getting Started with NetLogo)
- Blogs and projects start next week (**for real**)

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**Discuss:** What is  $K$  for these models?

**Answer:** 2, 4, 5, 4, and 5, respectively.

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The maximum likelihood estimate for the variance of the

residuals  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  is given by

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\text{RSS}}{n},$$

where

$$\text{RSS} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \hat{y}_i - y_i \right)^2.$$

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sig3 <- sum((fitted(g3) - cement$y)^2)/13
sig4 <- sum((fitted(g4) - cement$y)^2)/13
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sig <- c(sig1, sig2, sig3, sig4, sig5)
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{-1*(13/2)*log(x)})
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The corrected Akaike Information Criterion (AICc) is given by

$$\text{AICc} = n \log \left( \hat{\sigma}^2 \right) + 2K + \frac{2K(K + 1)}{n - K - 1} .$$

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K <- c(2,4,5,4,5)
(aicc <- sapply(1:5, function (i)
{13*log(sig[i]) + 2*K[i] + (2*K[i]*
(K[i]+1))/(13-K[i]-1)}))
```

```
[1] 74.64443 32.41999 37.82382 46.85258 51.32391
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(rnk <- rank(aicc))
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[1] 5 1 2 3 4
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	K	sig	LogLik	AICc	Rank
1	2	208.904852	-34.722213	74.64443	5
2	4	4.454191	-9.709995	32.41999	1
3	5	4.397135	-9.626196	37.82382	2
4	4	13.518308	-16.926292	46.85258	3
5	5	12.421406	-16.376238	51.32391	4

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AICTable <- data.frame(Manual = aicc, Package =  
c(AICc(g1),  
  AICc(g2),  
  AICc(g3),  
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	Manual	Package
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5	51.32391	88.21631

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$$\Delta_i = \text{AICc}_i - \text{AICc}_{\min}.$$

Model	Manual	Package	Delta_M	Delta_P
2	32.41999	69.31239	0.00000	0.00000
3	37.82382	74.71622	5.40383	5.40383
4	46.85258	83.74499	14.43259	14.43259
5	51.32391	88.21631	18.90391	18.90391
1	74.64443	111.53683	42.22443	42.22443

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## Model Likelihoods

$$\mathcal{L}(g_i \mid \text{data}) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \Delta_i\right)$$

## Model “Probabilities” (Weights)

$$w_i = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \Delta_i\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^R \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \Delta_j\right)}$$

This is necessary as *AICc estimates* K-L information. The model probabilities give you a probability each model is the *actual* K-L best model.

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Model	Manual	Delta_M	w
2	32.420	0.0000	9.3643e-01
3	37.824	5.4038	6.2813e-02
4	46.853	14.4326	6.8782e-04
5	51.324	18.9039	7.3543e-05
1	74.644	42.2244	6.3468e-10

## Model averaging (Multimodel Inference)

$$\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=1}^R w_i g_i.$$

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As an example, create an arbitrary input  $x_1, x_2, x_3$ , and  $x_4$  and look at the predicted values.

```
X <- data.frame(x1 = 0.14, x2 = 0.40, x3 =  
0.52, x4 = 0.05)  
W <- AICtable$w  
pred1 <- predict(g1, X)  
pred2 <- predict(g2, X)  
pred3 <- predict(g3, X)  
pred4 <- predict(g4, X)  
pred5 <- predict(g5, X)  
AICtable$pred <- c(pred1, pred2, pred3, pred4,  
pred5)  
  
print(AICtable %>% select(Model, w, pred) %>%  
mutate('w*pred' = w*pred), digits=4,  
row.names=F)
```

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Model	w	pred	w*pred
1	6.347e-10	95.42	6.056e-08
2	9.364e-01	53.05	4.968e+01
3	6.281e-02	54.14	3.401e+00
4	6.878e-04	130.62	8.984e-02
5	7.354e-05	135.29	9.950e-03

The predicted value for the *averaged model* is given by

$$W[1]*pred1 + W[2]*pred2 + W[3]*pred3 + \\ W[4]*pred4 + W[5]*pred5$$

$$\frac{1}{53.17581}$$