# Design and Analysis of Occupancy Studies Part 1a

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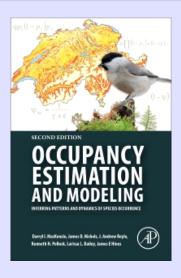
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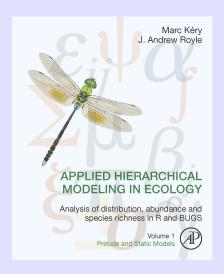
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### Books on Occupancy Modeling



# **Books on Occupancy Modeling**



### What is Occupancy Modeling

Occupancy: Proportion of area/ patches/ sample units that are occupied by a species of interest.

- Studies of distribution and range, e.g. spotted owl or bull trout
- Is patch occupancy related to patch characteristics (e.g. habitat variables)?
- Spread of invasive species.
- Disease dynamics.
- Pattern of species richness in space and time
- Species assemblages which species tend to co-occur or anti-occur?

Key problem: False negatives, i.e. a survey may not detect an animal present on patch because animal is low density, cryptic, observer error, etc. **Detection probability** < 1! Naive estimates lead to underestimates of occupancy, species numbers, etc.

### Basic idea of occupancy studies

Landscape is divided into patches or cells (not necessary that they be equal size), some of which are occupied by species of interest.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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		= TRUTH	(i.e. site is	occupied)						

 $\psi = 0.40$  (TRUTH = proportion of sites occupied in population)

# Basic idea of occupancy studies

Suppose we sample 20 cells (at random) with a detection probability < 1 with a single visit/cell.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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2							0			
3					1					0
4		1						1		
5			0		0					
6							0	0		1
7	0				0					
8									0	1
9										
10			1			0		0		
		= TRUTH	(i.e. site is	occupied)						

Notice the false negatives, e.g. in row 10 and column 8.  $\psi=0.40$  (TRUTH = proportion of sites occupied in population)  $\widehat{\psi}_{\textit{naive}}=\frac{7}{20}=0.35$  UNDERESTIMATES true occupancy because of false negatives.

### Basic idea of occupancy studies

Suppose we sample 20 cells (at random) with detection probability < 1 with 3 visits/cell.

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7	000				000						
8									110	101	
9											
10			111			000		000			
		= TRUTH	(i.e. site is	occupied)							

 $\psi=0.40$  (TRUTH = proportion of sites occupied in population) Empty cells are always 0; Occupied cells with history such as 101 provide information about the detection rate because cell was occupied but not detected on second visit.

# When to use Occupancy Modeling

- Interest at SPECIES level and not individual level.
- Discrete patches (SITES) where species are relatively immobile (e.g. ponds and frogs; forest stands and invasive plants).
- Detection rates < 1 but not too small (i.e. around 0.3 and higher).
- Occupancy between 0.2 and 0.8.

# When to NOT use Occupancy Modeling

Very rare or elusive species. See

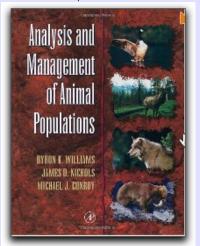


Thompson, W. (2004).
Sampling Rare or Elusive Species:
Concepts, Designs, and
Techniques for Estimating
Population Parameters.

Problem is that most of encounter histories will be 000000 and so very difficult to estimate detection rate and extra false-negatives.

# When to NOT use Occupancy Modeling

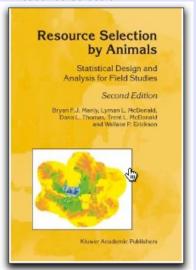
Interested in population parameters such as abundance, survival, movement, etc.



Williams, B.K, Nichols, J.D. and Conroy, M.J. (2002). Analysis and Management of Animal Populations.

### When to NOT use Occupancy Modeling

### Resource selection.



Manly, B.F., McDonald, L., Thomas, D. L., McDonald, T.L. and Erickson, W.P. (2002). Resource Selection by Animals: Statistical Design and Analysis for Field Studies.

### Single species; single season

- Sampling protocol:
  - Multiple visits to random sample of sites;
  - Record OBSERVED detections/non-detections.
- Estimate
  - Proportion of sites that are occupied  $(\psi)$
  - Detection probability p on each visit.
  - Variation in parameters as functions of covariates such as patch size, habitat, time, management actions, etc.

### Single species; multiple seasons

- Sampling protocol:
  - Multiple visits to random sample of sites;
  - Record OBSERVED detection/non-detections;
  - Repeat over multiple seasons
- Estimate
  - ullet Proportion of sites that are occupied  $(\psi)$
  - Detection probability p on each visit.
  - Local extinction and colonization probabilities
  - Variation in parameters as functions of covariates such as patch size, habitat, time, management actions, etc.

### Multiple species; single and multiple seasons

- Sampling protocol:
  - Multiple visits to random sample of sites;
  - Record OBSERVED detection/non-detection of EACH species
  - Single or multiple seasons
- Estimate
  - ullet Proportion of sites that are occupied  $(\psi)$  for each species
  - Dynamics local colonization and extinction probabilities by species and relative to other species
  - Detection probability p on each visit.
  - Variation in parameters as functions of covariates such as patch size, habitat, time, management actions, etc.

### Multiple state; single and multiple seasons

- Sampling protocol:
  - Multiple visits to random sample of sites;
  - Record OBSERVED state of species (e.g. not detected, detected adults, detected breeders)
  - Single or multiple seasons
- Estimate
  - Proportion of sites that are occupied  $(\psi)$ .
  - What fraction of occupied sites are in each STATE (e.g. breeders and non-breeders).
  - Detection probability p for each visit.
  - Local extinction and colonization probabilities.
  - Variation in parameters as functions of covariates such as patch size, habitat, time, management actions, etc.

### Multiple scale; single and multiple seasons

- Sampling protocol:
  - Multiple visits to random sample of sites;
  - Record OBSERVED detection/non-detection using different methods (e.g. visual or aural) or at different scales (small quadrats or larger landscape).
  - Single or multiple seasons
- Estimate
  - Proportion of sites that are occupied  $(\psi)$ .
  - Detection probability p by methods/scale.
  - Local extinction and colonization probabilities.
  - Variation in parameters as functions of covariates such as patch size, habitat, time, management actions, etc.

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# Software for Occupancy Modeling

- PRESENCE
- GENPRES (planning studies)
- MARK
- R package RPresence
- R package RMark
- R package unmarked (not recommended)
- Bayesian modelling using *JAGS* for complex problems.

# Program PRESENCE was developed by Darryl MacKenzie of: Proteus Research & Consulting Ltd. PO Box 5193, Dunedim, New Zesland under contract to U.S. Geological Survey as part of the Amphibian Research and Monitoring Initiative (ARMI). Visit their website at http://www.mp2-pwrc.usgs.gov/armi.

### **Program MARK**

You can obtain context-sensitive help with the F1 key, and can investigate objects with the Shift-F1 key. See the Help menu for known problems.







### Single Species; Single-Season - Sampling Protocol

# Single-Species Single-Season Occupancy Studies Theory

# Single-Species Single-Season - Sampling Protocl

### Sampling Protocol:

- Landscape divided (artificially or naturally) into S patches or cells or SITES.
- Select s << S sites at random (all sites have equal probability of selection)
  - Randomization makes sample representative.
  - Sample size controls precision.
  - Stratification (see later in course) may be useful
- Visit each site K times (unequal visits covered later)
- Record detection or not detection of species in site i in each visit k.
  - Visual aural, fecal, browse, signs, etc
- Create a Detection/Encounter History for each surveyed site (e.g. 0110).

# Single Species; Single-Season - Assumptions

- Occupancy state of sites is constant during all single-season surveys (closure).
- **2** Probability of occupancy  $(\psi)$  is equal across all sites (homogeneity).
- Probability of detection (p) given occupancy is equal across all sites (homogeneity).
- Detection of species in each survey of a site is independent of those on other surveys
- Detection histories at each location are independent
- No false positives.

### Single Species; Single-Season - Theory

### Important terms:

- Population: Complete set of sites for which inference is wanted
- Sample: Sites actually measured
- **Parameter**: Occupancy over entire population  $(\psi)$  always unknown
- **Estimate**: Values obtained from the sample data  $(\widehat{\psi})$ .

### The RRR's of statistics:

- Randomization: Makes a sample representative.
- Replication: Control precision (the SE)
- **Stratification**: Account for one form of heterogeneity in population.

# Single Species; Single-Season - Theory

Every SAMPLE will give a DIFFERENT estimate!

A measure of how much the estimate could vary if a new sample is taken is the STANDARD ERROR (SE).

A usual convention is to report a 95% CONFIDENCE INTERVAL which is a plausible range for the POPULATION parameter given the collected data. A c.i. does NOT make statement about individual values (i.e. the occupancy of a particular site).

# Single Species; Single-Season - Theory - MLE

LIKELIHOOD connects the data (detect/not detect) with the parameters of the model ( $\psi$  and p). Need to construct a probability expression for each history in the sample. There are two cases:

• At least one detection. Consider the history (10100). Then

$$P(10100) = \psi \times p(1-p)p(1-p)(1-p)$$

No detections. Either occupied and not seen or not occupied:

$$P(00000) = \psi(1-p)^5 + (1-\psi)$$

# Single Species; Single-Season - Theory - MLE

Likelihood function:

$$L = P(h_1) \times P(h_2) \times \ldots \times P(h_s) = L(data, parameters)$$

Find the values of the parameter (the MLEs) that MAXIMIZE the overall probability of the data. In simple cases this can be done by hand, but usually is done numerically.

The SE can also be obtained from derivatives of the (log)-likelihood function

# Single Species; Single-Season - Theory - MLE

### Properties of MLEs

- Extracts ALL of the information from the data
- Give the smallest possible SE
- Are unbiased (in large samples)
- Enable CI to be constructed as *Estimate*  $\pm$  2*SE*.

However, in small samples, MLEs are not guaranteed to be optimal.

# Single Species; Single-Season - A new model

We assumed that p was equal across all sampling occasions. But suppose that effort/ conditions varied across occasions. Need to relax the assumption that p was equal across all occasions.

### Standard Notation:

- Model  $\psi(*), p(*)$  had equal p across all ocasions.
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Write out P(history) for history 10100 00001 and 00000.

### Which model is best?

"All models are wrong, but some are useful" (George Box)

AIC = Akaike Information Criteria = tradeoff between fit and complexity

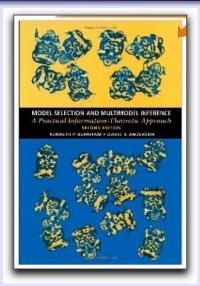
$$AIC = -2 \log likelihood + 2 \# p$$

where #p is the number of parameters.

"Best" model in the set is one with arithmetically smallest AIC. Find

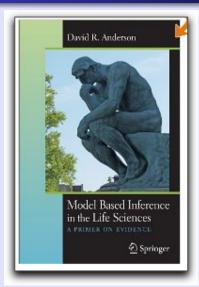
$$\Delta AIC_m = AIC_m - AIC_{min}$$

Differences of 2 or 3 AIC units imply no real preference.



Burnham, K.P. and Anderson, D.R. (2002). Model selection and Multi-Model Inference: A practical information-theoretic approach.

Complete but dense. The first few chapters are very readable.



Anderson, D.R. (2008). Model based inference in the life sciences: A primer on evidence.

Very readable explanation of the AIC paradigm.

Model averaging - compute a model weight

$$w_m = \frac{\exp(-\frac{\Delta AIC_m}{2})}{\sum \exp(-\frac{\Delta AIC_i}{2})}$$

Interpret as the weight of evidence in favor of model m relative to OTHER MODELS in the model set.

Add up weights for models with a common feature, e.g. habitat variable (see later in notes).

Model averaging - average estimates

$$\widehat{\psi}_{\textit{average}} = \sum w_{\textit{m}} \widehat{\psi}_{\textit{m}}$$

This accounts for both WITHIN and AMONG model uncertainty.

Also able to obtain SE that are adjusted for model averaging (weighted average of the individual standard errors and a penalty if the estimates are not consistent among models).

### Single Species; Single-Season - Presence

### Single-Species Single-Season Occupancy Studies

Using Presence

# Single Species; Single-Season - PRESENCE - Salamander

Blue-ridge two-lined salamander (*Eurycea wilderae*) occurs in Great Smokey Mountains National Park. 39 sites surveyed every 2 weeks. At each visit, a transect was searched every 10 m by overturning rocks or cover boards.

Open the **salamader.xls** file in *OccupancySampleData* folder **What is naive estimate of occupancy?** 

A	Α	В	С	D	Е	
1	0	0	0	1	1	
2	0	1	0	0	0	
3	0	1	0	0	0	
4	1	1	1	1	0	
5	0	0	1	0	0	
6	0	0	1	0	0	
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### Single Species; Single-Season - PRESENCE - Salamander

Create an Excel file with the history for this species in this season. The values in the columns have

- 0 not detected
- 1 detected
- . not visited

$\Delta$	Α	В	С	D	E
1	0	0	0	1	1
2	0	1	0	0	0
3	0	1	0	0	0
4	1	1	1	1	0
5	0	0	1	0	0
6	0	0	1	0	0
7	0	0	1	0	0
8	0	0	1	0	0
9	0	0	1	0	0
10	1	0	0	0	0

### Open PRESENCE



\*\* New: 'Recent changes' in Help menu \*\*

### **Program PRESENCE 2.12.8**

Start a new analysis by clicking File/New Project
Open an old analysis by clicking File/Open Project

#### Recent Modifications:

Ver 12.8 (08Aug2018) - added multi-season false-positive model to RPresence Ver 12.6 (08Aug2018) - no change - update ver number to match RPresence

### Start a New Project



### **Program PRESENCE 4.0**

Start a new analysis by clicking File/New Project Open an old analysis by clicking File/Open Project

Recent Modifications:

Ver 4.0 (60 ct2011) - Added models: multi-season-het, multi-season-2species

Ver 3.1 (140 ct2010) - Added model: single-season-false-positive-detections

Ver 3.0 (27Jan2010) - changed results file structure...

Results AIC table and model output files are now stored in a folder, instead of a single pa2 file. New results AIC table is saved as pa3 file. PRESENCE will automatically convert old results pa2 file to new pa3 file and folder.

See 'Recent changes' in Help menu for more info.

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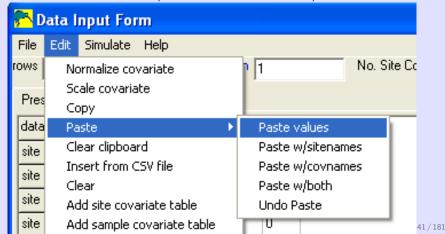
Getting data into PRESENCE is a bit tricky as the work flow is not top down.

Enter a title for the project.

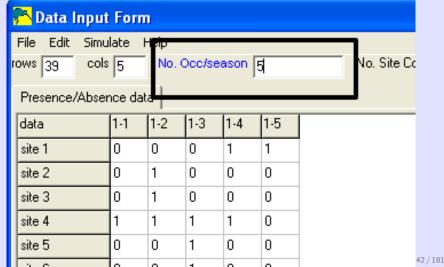


Import the data by clicking on Input Data Form Program PRESENCE version 4.0 <111018.1544 > by James E. Hines File View Run Tools Help Notes Title for this set of data Salamander Example Data type not needed - just select type from Run menu Click to select file Click to view file Enter data filename salamander-data Royle models are now in 'Run' menu Results filename salamanter-results No. Sites No. Occasions/season No. Occasions No. Site Covariates No. Sampling Covariates Input Data Form Cancel

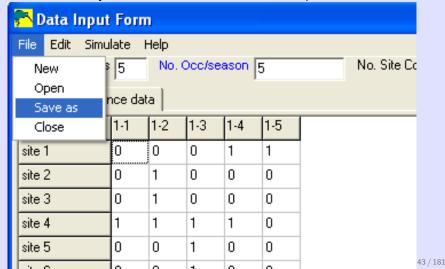
Copy/paste the data from the **salamander.xls** to the data entry window. Note the various options to allow you to enter the site name in the first column, the date in the first row, etc.



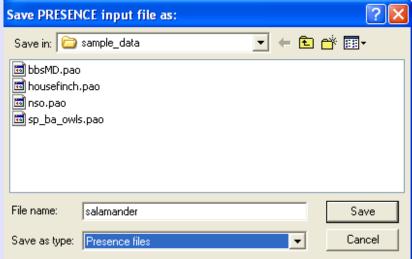
Update the number of occasions per season



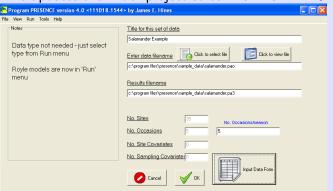
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### This updates the initial project screen. CHECK INPUT!

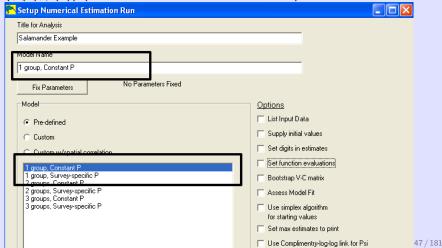


Press the check button to create the folder with results, the \*pao (data + other information file), the \*pa3 (model results file), and the directory.

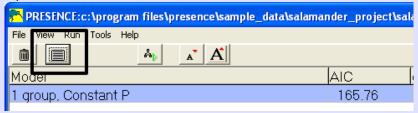


Explore the RESULTS Window menu items. Notice the types of models that can be fit.

Select the Single Season/Single Species and fit the simplest model  $(\psi(*), p(*))$  (Notation will become clearer later).



Open the results for this model.



### Lot of interesting stuff!

- Basic statistics about your data make sure these are correct
- Information about fitting the model typically not of interest.
- Beta estimates typically not of interest
- Estimates of occupancy and detectability.
- Posterior probability of occupancy.

Look at output. In particular the estimates:

We have  $\widehat{\psi}=0.59$  (SE 0.12) and  $\widehat{p}=0.26$  (SE 0.06).

Naive estimate of occupancy of 0.46.

Probability of missing a species if present over all 5 occasions (probability of a false negative) is found as

$$\widehat{P}(False \ negative \mid occupied) = (1-p)^5 = (1-0.26)^5 = 0.22$$

Conditional probability that a site with no animals observed is occupied is

$$\widehat{P}(occupied \mid not \ detected) = \frac{\widehat{P}(occupied \ and \ not \ detected)}{\widehat{P}(not \ detected)}$$

$$= \frac{\widehat{\psi}(1-\widehat{p})^5}{1-\widehat{\psi}[1-(1-\widehat{p})^5]}$$

$$= \frac{0.59(1-.26)^5}{1-0.59[1-(1-0.26)^5]} = 0.25$$

## Single Species; Single-Season - PRESENCE - A new model

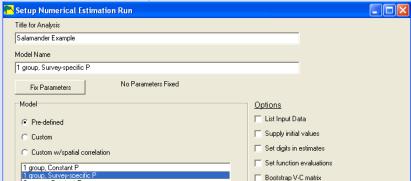
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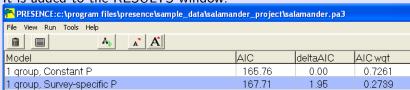
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### Go back to PRESENCE, fit a new model:



# Single Species; Single-Season - $\psi(*)$ , p(t)

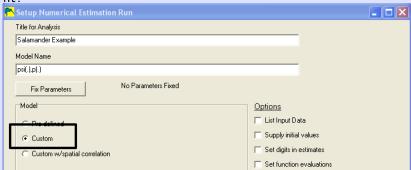
#### It is added to the RESULTS window:



## Single Species; Single-Season - $\psi(*)$ , p(t)

 $\widehat{\psi} = 0.58 (SE \ 0.12)$  and each occasion has a separate  $\widehat{p}_i$ .

Refer back to estimates of  $p_i$ . Perhaps effort was same in first two occasions and last three occasions. How is a more flexible model fit?



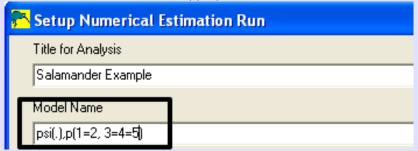
This brings up DESIGN MATRIX window, one for each parameter

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Occupancy Detection
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Occupancy Detection
- b1
p1 1
n2 1

"Real" parameters (rows) vs "Beta" parameters (cols). You want a distinct column for each separate parameter for the detection rates. [Try right clicking.] Get the following structure:



Then run the model with an appropriate name for the model:



#### Model is added to results table, and look at estimates

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1 group, Survey-specific	P 167.71	4.89	0.0659	0.0867	6	155.71	
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Create and fit. a model where  $p_1 = p_2$ ,  $p_3 = p_4$ , and  $p_5$  is separate.

## Single Species; Single-Season - AIC

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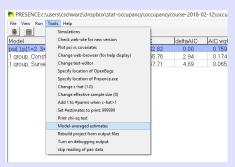
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## Single Species; Single-Season - AIC

Back to RESULTS window. Which model is "best" within model set?



This creates a text file in your directory with results.

Unfortunately, this is still very much in *beta testing* mode and does not always work as advertised.

## Single Species; Single-Season - RPresence

RPresence is an R package that is able to fit some of the simpler models available in PRESENCE.

Key advantages are:

- Scripts so that analyzes can be reused.
- No more clicking
- Much easier extracting output
- Available for Macintosh, Windoze, and Linux platforms.

### Key disadvantages are:

• Not all analyses can be done in RPresence.

## Single Species; Single-Season - RPresence

Installation of package (not available on CRAN)

- Download package file from Patuxent software package
- Install from Package Archive File

Open the sample program in the Salamander directory

### Basic steps in analysis:

- Input the history file and create the \*.pao file
- Fit some model using the *occMod()* function.
- Model average using the createAicTable function.
- Extract results and plot results etc

Refer to sample analysis script.

Read in raw data and so some basic error checking:

```
input.data <- readxl::read_excel(file.path("..","salamander
sheet="CompleteData",
col_names=FALSE) # notice

# do some basic checks on your data
nrow(input.data)</pre>
```

Histories is a matrix  $(n_{sites} \times n_{visits})$  of 1's, 0's, or NA's.

ncol(input.data)
head(input.data)

```
Create the *.pao file.
```

```
1 salamander.pao <- createPao(input.data,
2 title='Salamander SSSS')</pre>
```

3 salamander.pao

```
Fitting a model psi(.), p(.)

1 mod.pdot <- occMod(model=list(psi~1, p~1),

2 type="so",

3 data=salamander.pao)
```

Note that formula DO NOT HAVE AN = SIGN.

This creates an object with MANY slots and extractor functions.

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The estimates for  $\psi$  are given for EVERY site. In this case, there

are no covariates so every site has the same occupancy probability.

```
1 mod.pdot.psi <-mod.pdot$real$psi[1,] # occupancy probabil</pre>
```

2 mod.pdot.psi

```
est se lower_0.95 upper_0.95
unit1 0.5946225 0.1225937 0.3512137 0.7989789
```

unit1 1-4 0.258729 0.0576996

unit1\_1-5 0.258729 0.0576996

mod.pdot.p

<- mod.pdot\$real\$p[seq(1, by=nrow(input.data)</pre>

0.1621604

0.1621604

0.3862912

0.3862912

## Single Species; Single-Season - RPresence - Salamander

The estimates for p are given for EVERY site-survey combination. In this case, all are the same over all sites and surveys.

Finally, the posterior probability of occupancy

Fit a model where detection varies across visits. Notice the use of the reserved keyword *SURVEY* to represent the visits.

mod.pt <- occMod(model=list(psi~1, p~SURVEY),</pre>

```
type="so",
data=salamander.pao)
summary(mod.pt)
mod.pt$real$psi[1,]
mod.pt$real$p[seq(1, by=nrow(input.data), length.out=ncol(seq))
```

```
Fit a model where p_1 = p_2; p_3 = p_4 = p_5.
```

You need to create a data frame which has  $n_{sites} \times n_{visits}$  rows.

The ordering is covariates for visit 1, for all sites; then for visit 2 for all sites; etc.

Create a character covariate for the two detection probabilties.

This gives the following data.frame. Notice the name of the covariate is *d* which will then be used in the model statement.

```
survey.cov[c(1:4, 37:41),]
   site visit d
1
            1 d1
2
      2
            1 d1
38
     38
            1 d1
39
     39
            1 d1
40
            2 d1
            2 d1
41
```

```
Fit a model where p_1 = p_2; p_3 = p_4 = p_5

1 mod.pcustom <- occMod(model=list(psi~1, p~d),

2 cov.list=list(p.cov=survey.cov),

3 type="so",

4 data=salamander.pao)

5 mod.pcustom$real$psi[1,]

7 mod.pcustom$real$p[seq(1, by=nrow(input.data), length.out=1)]
```

```
Fit a model where p_1 = p_2; p_3 = p_4 = p_5
> mod.pcustom$real$psi[1,]
            est se lower_0.95 upper_0.95
unit1 0.5831459 0.1186453 0.3495736 0.7845389
> mod.pcustom$real$p[seq(1, by=nrow(input.data), length.ou
               est se lower_0.95 upper_0.95
unit1_1-1 0.1538956 0.05838078 0.07023254 0.3045734
unit1_1-2 0.1538956 0.05838078 0.07023254 0.3045734
unit1_1-3 0.3371048 0.07678979 0.20591460
                                          0.4993209
unit1_1-4 0.3371048 0.07678979 0.20591460
                                          0.4993209
unit1_1-5 0.3371048 0.07678979 0.20591460
                                          0.4993209
```

#### Model averaging:

```
1 models<-list(mod.pdot,mod.pt,mod.pcustom)
2 results<-createAicTable(models)
3 summary(results)
4
5 modAvg(results, param="psi")</pre>
```

Model averaged results for  $\psi$ .

unit1 0.5849351 0.1193595 0.3496677 0.786949

Model averaging - a more general approach Open the *salamander-modelavg-general.R* file.

- Read in the data
- Create the history data frame
- Create the survey covariate data frame
- Create the \*.pao object

Model averaging - a more general approach Create a list of model to be fit.

2 model.list.csv <- textConnection("</pre>

```
3 p, psi
4 ~1, ~1
5 ~SURVEY, ~1
6 ~d, ~1")
7
8 model.list <- read.csv(model.list.csv, header=TRUE, as.is=7)
9 model.list.</pre>
```

1 # Notice the commas between the column and the placement o

Model averaging - a more general approach Fit the set of model

#### Model averaging - a more general approach

- Notice how you can inspect the output from a particular model
- Model average in the usual way.

#### Summary:

- Don't put = signs in formula
- Creating visit covariates is a bit tricky
- Same output as in PRESENCE and MARK.
- Also able to read and write PRESENCE files directly.

### Single Species; Single-Season - MARK vs PRESENCE

MARK is an alternative program to PRESENCE.

#### Choice between MARK and PRESENCE:

- About 70% of models are common across both platforms.
- Each program has some specialized models (e.g. PRESENCE has spatial and mixture models)
- MARK handles model selection "better"

#### Cautions about switching between platforms:

- Similar (but not the same) data structures.
- Model specified differently.

# Single Species; Single-Season - MARK - Input file format

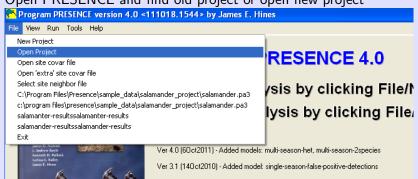
#### MARK input file format:

- \*.inp file name but a simple text file
- each line take format
   hhhhh count; /\* This is a comment \*/
   where h is 0 or 1; count is typically 1; add comments anywhere.
- Example

```
10100 1; /* site 27 */
11100 1; /* site 33 */
00000 1; /* site 45 */
```

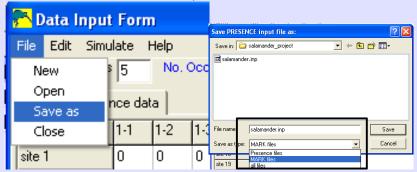
Converting from PRESENCE data.

Open PRESENCE and find old project or open new project



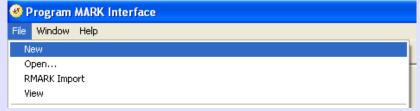


Save the data as a MARK \*.inp file



View the MARK \*.inp file 🕍 salamander.inp (~\Desktop\OccupancySamp Edit Tools Syntax Buffers Window /\* #sites:39 #srvys:5 covars: \*/ 00011 1; 01000 1; 01000 1: 11110 1: 00100 1: 00100 1:

#### Launch MARK and select NEW project.



#### Select class of models (Occupancy models)



Theory
Presence / RPresence
MARK / RMark
Exercise

# Single Species; Single-Season - MARK - Salamander

#### Select type of Occupancy Model

Occupancy Data Types -- Pick One



#### Occupancy Estimation

Occupancy Heterogeneity Estimation

Occupancy Estimation Royle/Nichols Poisson

Occupancy Estimation Royle/Nichols Negative Binomial

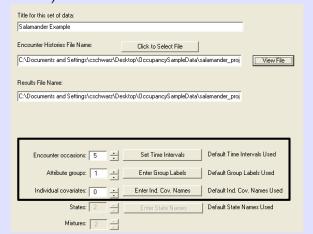
Occupancy Estimation Royle Poisson Counts

Occupancy Estimation Royle Negative Binomial Counts

Multiple-state Occupancy Estimation

Multi-scale Occupancy Estimation

Complete the initial screen. CAUTION - you cannot correct errors after you finish this screen. MARK creates specialized files (\*.FPT, \*.DBF) - DO NOT CHANGE.

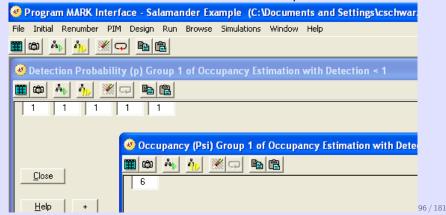


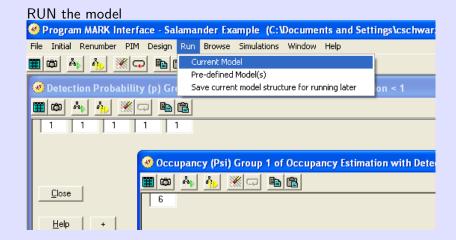
Now you are ready to specify model - hurray! MARK used a different (but similar) paradigm to PRESENCE. Open the PIM menu:



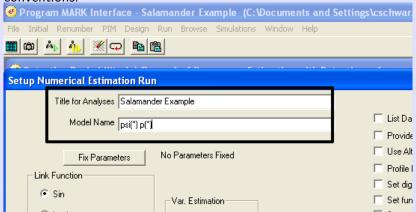
Specify entries in PIM to make parameters equal. For example the  $\psi(*), p(*)$  model has entries below. The actual values are NOT important.

CAUTION: Do NOT share PIM entries across parameters.

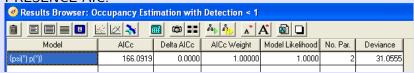




Specify a sensible model name. Use the standard naming conventions.



Look at RESULTS Window. Similar to PRESENCE but AIC has a second order correction factor applied so slightly different from PRESENCE AIC.



#### Look at REAL estimates. Same as PRESENCE (not surprising)

Salamander Example						
	Real Function Parameters of {psi(*) p(*)} 95% Confidence Interval					
	Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	Lower	Upper	
	1:p 2:Psi	0.2587291 0.5946226	0.0577019 0.1225985	0.1621557 0.3512006	0.3862995 0.7989882	

Fit the model where p varies over sampling occasions. Fit the model where p(1) = p(2) and p(3) = p(4) = p(5).

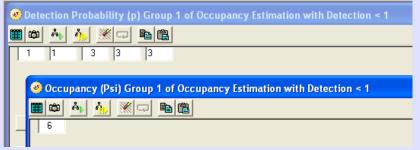
PIM for model where p varies over sampling occasions.

```
Detection Probability (p) Group 1 of Occupancy Estimation with Detection < 1

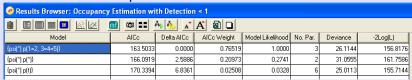
1 2 3 4 5

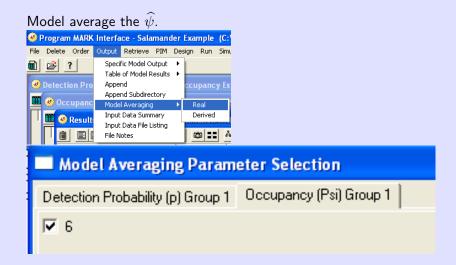
Occupancy (Psi) Group 1 of Occupancy Estimation with Detection < 1
```

PIM for model where p(1) = p(2) and p(3) = p(4) = p(5).



RESULTS window for 3 models. Think of relative support for these 3 models and the implications of the results.





#### Results of model averaging for $\psi$ .

Because estimates are so similar across models, the model averaged estimate is not that different and the model averaged se (unconditional SE in output) is only slightly larger than individual se.

### Single Species; Single-Season - Presence

# Single-Species Single-Season Occupancy Studies Using RMark

# Single Species; Single-Season - RMark

RMark is an R package that interfaces with MARK Key advantages are:

- Scripts so that analyzes can be reused.
- No more clicking
- Much easier extracting output

Key disadvantages are:

• Only available on Windoze platforms.

# Single Species; Single-Season - RMark

Installation of package

Download and Install package file from CRAN in the usual way

Open the sample program in the Salamander directory

#### Basic steps in analysis:

- Input the occupancy history and process the data.
- Fit some model using the mark function.
- Extract information from returned object
- Model average using the collect.models function.
- Extract results and plot results etc

Refer to sample analysis scripts.

Read in raw data and so some basic error checking:

```
input.data <- readxl::read_excel(file.path("..","salamande:
sheet="CompleteData",
col_names=FALSE) # notic</pre>
```

Histories is a matrix  $(n_{sites} \times n_{visits})$  of 1's, 0's, or NA's.

Basic data structure is a data.frame with the following elements

- ch capture-history character vector where each element is a capture-history in MARK format, i.e. "0111".
   Missing visits indicated by a period (.)
- freq frequency of occurrence (usually all 1's)
- other variables site-level covariates

Basic data structure is a data.frame with the following elements

#### Process the data

```
Fitting a model psi(.), p(.)
```

This creates an object with MANY sub-objects...

#### Lot of interesting stuff!

- Basic statistics about your data make sure these are correct
- Information about fitting the model typically not of interest.
- Beta estimates typically not of interest
- real estimates usually of primary interest
- Estimates of occupancy and detectability.
- Posterior probability of occupancy.

The estimates for  $\psi$  can be found in several ways:

```
1 mod.fit\$results\$real\# on the regular 0-1 scale for each si
```

```
3 get.real(mod.fit, "Psi", se=TRUE)
```

```
all.diff.index par.index estimate se
Psi g1 a0 t1 6 2 0.5946226 0.1225985 0

ucl fixed note group age time Age Time
Psi g1 a0 t1 0.7989882 1 0 1 0
```

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The estimates for p found in a similar fashion

get.real(mod.fit, "p", se=TRUE)

g1 a4 t5 0.3862995

		all.diff.index	<pre>par.index</pre>	estimate	se	
p g1 a0	t1	1	1	0.2587291	0.0577019	0.1
p g1 a1	t2	2	1	0.2587291	0.0577019	0.1
p g1 a2	t3	3	1	0.2587291	0.0577019	0.1

1 0.2587291 0.0577019 0.3 p g1 a3 t4 p g1 a4 t5 5 1 0.2587291 0.0577019 0.3

ucl fixed	note (	group	age	time	Age	Time
p g1 a0 t1 0.3862995		1	0	1	0	0

p .	g1	<b>a</b> 0	t1	0.3862995	1	0	1	0	0
p	g1	a1	t2	0.3862995	1	1	2	1	1
n	<del>ر</del> 1	22	+3	0 3862995	1	2	2	2	2

a3 t4 0.3862995

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The posterior probability of occupancy is NOT available but can be computed by hand if needed - contact me.

Fit a model where detection varies across visits.

Replace  $p \sim 1$  by  $p \sim time$ .

Note time and Time are reserved keywords.

- time implies a separate capture probability for each visit
- Time implies a linear change in capture-probability over visits

Fit the new model and look at resutls

Fit a model where  $p_1 = p_2$ ;  $p_3 = p_4 = p_5$ . This is a SURVEY-LEVEL covariate and so you need to modify the *ddl* and pass the revised *ddl* to *RMark*. [Refer to discussion of covariates later in the course.]

```
1  sal.ddl <- make.design.data(sal.data)
2  sal.ddl
3
4  sal.ddl$p$Effort <- factor(c("d1","d1","d2","d2","d2"))
5  sal.ddl</pre>
```

Fit a model where  $p_1 = p_2$ ;  $p_3 = p_4 = p_5$ . This gives the following *ddl* for p

	par.index	model.index	group	age	time	Age	Time	Effort
	l 1	1	1	0	1	0	0	d1
2	2 2	2	1	1	2	1	1	d1
3	3	3	1	2	3	2	2	d2
4	1 4	4	1	3	4	3	3	d2
Ę	5 5	5	1	4	5	4	4	d2

3

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# Single Species; Single-Season - RMark - Salamander

Fit a model where  $p_1 = p_2$ ;  $p_3 = p_4 = p_5$ 

				all.diff.ir	ndex p	par.index	esti	mate		se	!
р	g1	a0	t1		1	1	0.153	8956	0.058	33875	0.0
р	g1	a1	t2		2	1	0.153	8956	0.058	33875	0.0
р	g1	a2	t3		3	2	0.337	1047	0.076	37915	0.2
р	g1	a3	t4		4	2	0.337	1047	0.076	37915	0.2
p	g1	a4	t5		5	2	0.337	1047	0.076	37915	0.2
				ucl	fixed	d note	group	age	time	Age	Time
p	g1	a0	t1	0.3045984			1	0	1	0	0
p	g1	a1	t2	0.3045984			1	1	2	1	1
p	g1	a2	t3	0.4993277			1	2	3	2	2
р	g1	a3	t4	0.4993277			1	3	4	3	3
p	g1	a4	t5	0.4993277			1	4	5	4	4

#### Model averaging:

```
1 model.set <- RMark::collect.models( type="Occupancy")</pre>
```

2 model.set

```
model npar AICc DeltaAICc weight Deviation of the property of
```

```
Model averaged results for \psi.
```

```
1 Psi.ma <- RMark::model.average(model.set, param="Psi")</pre>
```

2 Psi.ma

```
par.index estimate se fixed note graph g1 a0 t1 6 0.5854709 0.1195573 Age Time Psi g1 a0 t1 0 0
```

#### Model averaging - a more general approach.

Open the salamander-modelavg-general.R file.

- Read in the data
- Create the history data frame
- Modify the ddl for when need survey level covariates
- Process the data
- Read in the models to be fit
- Fit the model set.
- Model average

model.list

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# Single Species; Single-Season - RMark - Salamander

Model averaging - a more general approach Create a list of model to be fit. CAUTION - check the parameter names first

```
setup.parameters("Occupancy", check=TRUE)
2
   # Get the list of models
   model.list.csv <- textConnection("</pre>
                 Psi
   ~1,
6
   ~time,
   ~Effort, ~1")
8
9
   model.list <- read.csv(model.list.csv, header=TRUE, as.is="
10
   model.list$model.number <- 1:nrow(model.list)</pre>
11
   model.listmodel.list <- read.csv(model.list.csv, header=TRI</pre>
12
```

8

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#browser()

### Single Species; Single-Season - RMark - Salamander

Model averaging - a more general approach Fit the set of model

```
model.fits <- plyr::dlply(model.list, "model.number", func-</pre>
2
     cat("\n\n***** Starting ", unlist(x), "\n")
3
4
       fit <- RMark::mark(input.data, ddl=input.ddl,</pre>
                         model="Occupancy",
5
6
                         model.parameters=list(
                           Psi =list(formula=as.formula(eval
```

9 #, brief=TRUE, output=FALSE, delete=TRU 10 #, invisible=TRUE, output=TRUE # set f 11

12 mnumber <- paste("m...",formatC(x\$model.number, width = 3</pre> 13 14

assign( mnumber, fit, envir=.GlobalEnv) 129 / 181

=list(formula=as.formula(eval

#### Model averaging - a more general approach

- Notice how you can inspect the output from a particular model
- Collect models and Model average in the usual way.

#### Summary:

- Creating visit covariates is a bit tricky and is done using the ddl
- Same result as other packages
- Able to rexport to MARK the final set of file (useful for GOF and other features)

## Single Species; Single-Season - Grossbeaks

An occupancy study was made on Blue Grosbeaks (*Guiraca caerulea*) on 41 old fields planted to longleaf pines (*Pinus palustris*) in southern Georgia, USA.

Surveys were 500 m transects across each field and were completed three times during the breeding season in 2001.

#### Columns in the file are:

- field field number
- v1, v2, v3 detection histories for each site on each of 3 visit during the 2001 breeding season.
- field.size size of the files
- bqi Enrollment in bobwhite quail initiative; does occupancy increase if field belongs to this initiative?
- crop.hist crop history
- crop1, crop2 indicator variables for the crop history
- count1, count2, count3 actual counts of birds detected in each visit

# Single Species; Single-Season - Exercise 01

Using the package of your choice, fit the following models:

- $\psi(.), p(.)$
- $\psi(.), p(t)$

Obtain model averaged estimates for the parameter  $\psi$ . Save your scripts as we will add more models in future exercises.

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing data

# Single-Species Single-Season Occupancy Studies Missing Data

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values

#### Types of missing values:

- Missing Completely at Random (MCAR)
  - Missingness unrelated to response or covariates
  - No biases introduced; loss of precision; no adjustment needed
- Missing at Random (MAR)
  - Missingness unrelated to response, but may be related to covariates
  - (Mostly) no biases introduced loss or precision; some reweighting may be required
- Informative Missing (IM)
  - Missingness related to response
  - DIFFICULT STATISTICAL PROBLEM!!!

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values

#### Missing Completely at Random:

- Bad weather
- Equipment breakdown

#### Modify histories in input files as follows:

- PRESENCE: Use a "-" (hyphen) to represent a missing value.
- RPresence: Use NA to represent a missing value
- MARK: Use a "." (period) to represent a missing value.
- RMark: Use a "." (period) to represent a missing value in the ch variable in the data.frame.
- unmarked: Use NA to represent a missing value
- JAGS: Need to delete the missing values

Do NOT use a 0 to represent a missing value!

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - PRESENCE

#### MCAR in Presence:

🆰 Input Data	Form	ı - c:\	docur	nents	and se		
File Edit Simu	late i	telp					
rows 39 cols	5	No. C	oc/se	son [	5		
Presence/Abser	nce dat	ce data					
data	1-1	1-2	1-3	1-4	1-5		
site 1	0	0	0	1	1		
site 2	0			0	0		
site 3	0			0	0		
site 4	1			1	0		
site 5	0			0	0		
site 6	0	0		0	0		
site 7	0	0	1	0			
site 8	0	0	1	0	0		
site 9	0	0	1	0	0		
site 10	1	0	0	0	0		
site 11	0	0	1	1	1		
site 12	0	0	1	1	1		
site 13	1	0		1	1		

File  $\rightarrow$  Save As \*.pao file.

Clear RESULTS window (you can't compare AIC from different data sets).

Run the models as needed.

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - PRESENCE

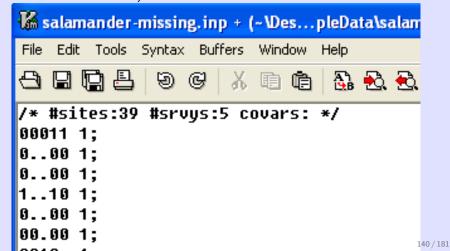
```
View estimates file in usual fashion:
```

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - RPresence

Run RPresence in the usual way – refer to R code. Things to watch out for: Reading in '.' or '-' from file for missing values.

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - MARK

Save as \*.inp file and use text editor to change "-" to "." (Why isn't this automatic?)



# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - MARK

Run MARK in the usual way – start a new set of \*.dbf and \*fpt files.

	Salamander missing								
Real Function Parameters of {psi(*) p(*)} 95% Confidence Interval									
	Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	Lower	Upper				
	1:p 2:Psi	0.2897339 0.4569564	0.0688071 0.1110015	0.1747947 0.2593497	0.4399578 0.6691068				

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - RMark

```
Use a period (.) to indicate a missing visit.
input.history <- data.frame(freq=1,</pre>
```

```
ch=apply(input.data[,1:5],1,pas

head(input.history)

**The Change any NA to . in the chapter history
input.history$ch <- gsub("NA",".", input.history$ch, fixed:
head(input.history)
```

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - RMark

Run *RMark* in the usual way. No other changes needed. Run the sample code and look at the output.

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - MAR

#### Missing at Random:

- Key assumption is that  $p_t$  is same for ALL sites at occasion t.
- But it may be impossible to visit ALL sampled sites at every occasion.
- Visit "odd numbered" sites on visits 1, 3, 5; visit "even numbered" sites on days 2, 4, 6.

No real statistical issues nor problems unless you only visit many sites only once.

Enter data as missing values.

## Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - IM

#### Informative missing:

- You have prior knowledge on sites and tend to visit sites that you think are occupied and not visit sites that are not occupied – bad idea as no inference can be made.
- You visit sites ONLY until a detection is observed ("removal design")
  - Model with p(t) cannot be fit! [Parameters are not-identifiable unless you are willing to assume that  $p_i = p_j$  for at least one i, j pair.
  - Use a hybrid design where some sites (e.g. 50%) are still revisited even when occupancy has been established.

This type of missing data are very difficult to deal with!

# Single Species; Single-Season - Missing Values - Summary

Simplest is dealing with Missing Completely at Random:

- Bad weather
- Equipment breakdown

Modify histories in input files to account for missing observation.

Do NOT use a 0 to represent a missing value!

## Single Species; Single-Season

## Single-Species Single-Season Occupancy Studies

Goodness-of-fit

#### Assumptions:

- Occupancy state of sites is constant during all single-season surveys (closure).
- **2** Probability of occupancy  $(\psi)$  is equal across all sites (homogeneity).
- Probability of detection (p) given occupancy is equal across all sites (homogeneity).
- Oetection of species in each survey of a site is independent of those on other surveys.
- Oetection histories at each location are independent.
- No false positives.

#### If assumptions are not valid then

- Estimators can be biased (either high or low).
- SE are typically too narrow (false degree of confidence in results)

Impact of closure violation, e.g. occupancy changes during the season.

- Random movement -
  - detection rate & movement confounded;
  - Occupancy estimate is unbiased, but now interpreted as "proportion of sites used" rather than occupancy.
- Non-random movement permanent immigration or emigration
  - $\bullet$  For two occasions,  $\psi$  estimates initial or final occupancy.
  - For multiple occasions, no simple patterns

#### Impact of heterogeneity in:

- Occupancy only (e.g. males and females have different occupancy rates; different habitats have different occupancy rates
  - ullet  $\psi$  estmates "average" occupancy
  - $SE(\widehat{\psi})$  not too bad
  - Mixture models
- Detection rates (e.g. because of animal size, local covariates)
  - ullet  $\widehat{\psi}$  tends to be biased downwards; SE are typically too small
  - Measure covariates (global, e.g. temperature at time of survey) or (local, e.g. site-specific features)
  - If detection depends on site abundance, use "abundance" occupancy models.

#### Impact of non-independence

- Site too small (vocal cues heard in more than one site)
- Detection after first detect easier because you know where animal is located (e.g. nests)
- ullet  $\widehat{\psi}$  is often unbiased, but reported SE are too low.

AIC does NOT measure absolute goodness-of-fit and the "best" model of the set may still be a poor fit to the data.

Basic idea is too look at observed and predicted counts. Suppose that  $\widehat{\psi}=0.82$  and  $\widehat{p}=0.43$  for model  $\psi(*),p(*)$  from a survey with s=50 sites and K=3 occasions. We observed 10 sites with history 101.

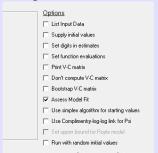
- $E(101) = s \times \widehat{\psi} \times \widehat{p}(1-\widehat{p})\widehat{p} = 50 \times 0.82 \times 0.43(1-0.43)0.43 = 4.32$
- This has a "discrepancy" of  $\frac{(O_h E_h)^2}{E_h} = \frac{(10 4.32)^2}{4.32} = 7.47$
- $X_{gof}^2 = \sum_{all\ histories} \frac{(O_h E_h)^2}{E_h}$
- X<sup>2</sup><sub>gof</sub> should follow a chi-square distribution and large values of X<sup>2</sup><sub>gof</sub> indicate lack-of-fit. [This is similar to the deviance column reported in MARK.]
- But because of small counts, need to do a bootstrap

#### Bootstrapping:

- Fit model to data
- 2 Compute measure of lack-of-fit (Deviance) for this model
- Use the estimates from (2) to "generate" fake data that satisfy the assumptions.
- Find the Deviance for this fake data.
- Repeat generating fake data many times (100+)
- How unusual is the observed deviance from (2) relative to the set of deviances from the fake data in (5)? If very unusual, need to adjust (see later).

A bootstrapping assessment of goodness of fit is available for a limited set of models.

To obtain this check the box for model assessment in the *Run* dialogue:



Then enter the number of bootstrap samples.

History(cohort) Observed

Test Statistic =

Expected

44.7261 min(expect)=7.703073e-002

## Single Species; Single-Season - Model Assessment - PRESENCE

The goodness of fit assessment occurs at the end of the output file - I:

Assessing Model Fit for Single-season model:

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00011( 0 0)	1.0000	0.632306119	0.21
01000( 0 1)	2.0000	1.811586527	0.02
11110( 0 3)	1.0000	0.077030726	11.06
00000( 0 14)	21.0000	20.999999940	0.00
00010( 0 35)	2.0000	1.811586527	0.02
00001( 0 37)	2.0000	1.811586527	0.02

Chi-square

Test Statistic (data)

44.7261

## Single Species; Single-Season - Model Assessment - PRESENCE

The goodness of fit assessment occurs at the end of the output file - II:

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From 100 parametric bootstraps...

Probability of test statistic >= observed = 0.0396

Lowest simulated Test Stat = 10.7058

Average simulated Test Stat = 27.8241

Median simulated Test Stat = 26.5126

Highest simulated Test Stat = 53.0129

Estimate of c-hat = 1.6075 (=TestStat/AvgTestStat)
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Lack-o-fit is not extreme (p-value of .0396).

The goodness of fit assessment occurs at the end of the output file - III:

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- Distribution of simulated test statistics ----
TestStat
          Prop.
  3.9760
          0.0000:*
  6.6266
          0.0100:*
  9.2773
          0.0100:*
 11,9279
          0.0100:*
 14.5785
          0.0100:*
 17,2292
          0.0100:*
 19.8798
          0.0400:***
 22,5305
          0.1000:*****
 25.1811
          0.1600:*****
 27.8318
          0.1400:******
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What causes lack-of-fit?

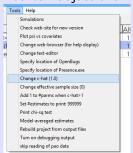
- Structural problems. You fit a p(\*) model when  $p_t$  varies considerably.
- Heterogeneity. Detection/Occupancy probabilities vary among sites for unknown reasons.
- Non-independence. Detection at one site "influences" detection at another site.

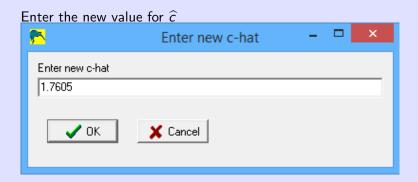
Try to fit more appropriate model (e.g. with covariates). Minor modification through variance adjustment ( $\hat{c}$ ). Estimates may still be unbiased, but SE are multiplied by  $\sqrt{\hat{c}}$ . [OK if  $\hat{c} < 5$  or 6.]

 $\hat{c}$  was estimated above in the model assessment:

Estimate of c-hat = 1.6075 (=TestStat/AvgTestStat)

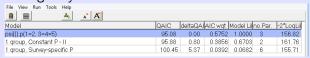
You can adjust the AIC table and estimates for  $\hat{c}$  using:





This updates the AIC table

The Results window now changes to QAIC etc. Interpreted analogously to AIC.



Note: *RPresence* does not update the standard errors of the estimates in the output file.

Note: MARK DOES update the SEs in the output files.

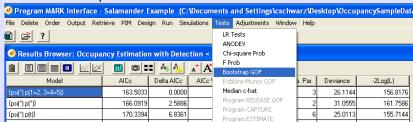
Unable to conduct the GOF directly with *RPresence*. You will need to export the information from *RPresence* to *PRESENCE* and do it in *PRESENCE*. Contact me for details.

Go back to salamander data and look at results window:

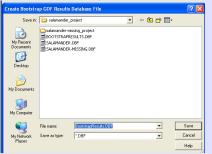
Results Browser: Occupancy Estimation with Detection < 1							
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Model	AICc	Delta AICc	AICc Weight	Model Likelihood	No. Par.	Deviance	-2Log(L)
{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	163.5033	0.0000	0.76519	1.0000		26.1144	156.8176
{psi(*) p(*)}	166.0919	2.5886	0.20973	0.2741	2	31.0555	161.7586
{psi(*) p(t)}	170.3394	6,8361	0.02508	0.0328	6	25.0113	155.7144

How unusual is a deviance of 26.11?

#### Select Bootstrap GOF from the Tests menu.

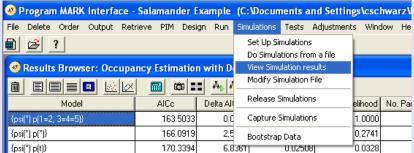


Save the bootstrap results in an appropriate file and generate 100+ fake datasets.

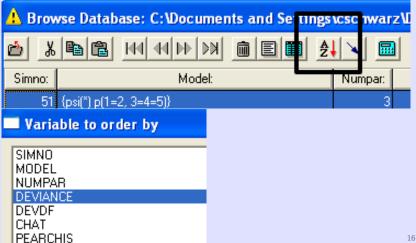




#### Let the program run; View the bootstrap results



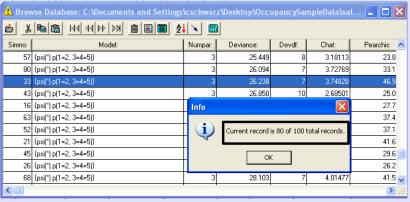
Let the program run; View the bootstrap results; Sort the bootstrap results



Locate the observed deviation (26.11), and find how unusual is the value (click on the pointer)

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Simno:	Model:	Numpar:	Deviance:	Devdf:	Chat:	Pearchis:	
115	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	24.942	8	3.11778	34.412	
176	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	25.024	6	4.17066	31.913	
150	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	25.131	6	4.18847	23.658	
58	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	25.174	12	2.09781	22.720	
153	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	25.195	7	3.59922	39.924	
43	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	25.791	6	4.29854	23.615	
35	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	25.889	8	3.23615	36.008	
4	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	25.930	9	2.88112	25.582	
69	{psi(*) p(1=2, 3=4=5)}	3	26.279	10	2.62790	29.897	
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#### How unusual is the observed deviance?



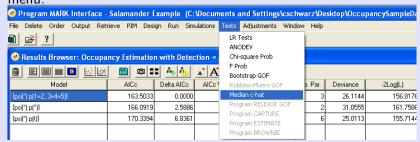
You would get an observed deviance (or larger) 20/100=20% of the time. There is no evidence of a lack-of-fit. You would be worried if the goodness-of-fit p-value is very small.

#### What causes lack-of-fit?

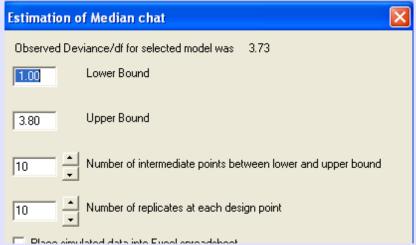
- Structural problems. You fit a p(\*) model when  $p_t$  varies considerably.
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- Non-independence. Detection at one site "influences" detection at another site.

Try to fit more appropriate model (e.g. with covariates). Minor modification through variance adjustment  $(\hat{c})$ . Estimates may still be unbiased, but SE are multiplied by  $\sqrt{\hat{c}}$ . [OK if  $\hat{c} < 5$  or 6.]

Return to results window, and select *Median C-hat* from Tests menu:



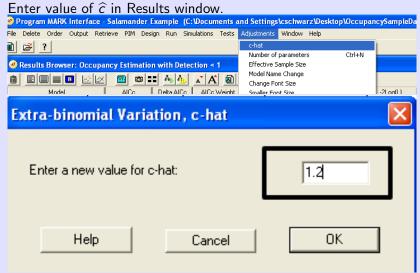
Specify the number of simulations etc.



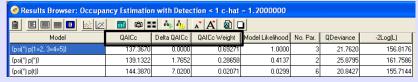
#### Read off the estimated value of $\hat{c}$ .

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Estimated c-hat = 1.2071622 with sampling SE = 0.0738761
95% Conf. Interval c-hat = 0.5710592 to 1.8432652
one-sided 95% Upper Bound on c-hat = 1.7184042
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In this case, there was no evidence of lack-of-fit so  $\widehat{c}$  is 1.2 (close to 1) and could be 1. [In actual analysis, I would make no adjustment at this point.]



Notice that Results window now changes to QAIC etc. Interpreted analogously to AIC.

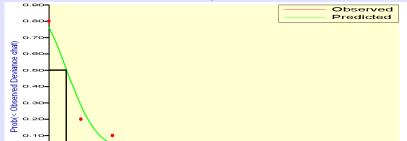


#### Estimates are unchanged, but SE multiplied by $\sqrt{\hat{c}}$ .

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Salamander Example Standard Error and Confidence Intervals Corrected for c-hat = 1.2000000							
Real Function Parameters of $\{psi(^{\omega})\ p(1=2,\ 3=4=5)\}$ 95% Confidence Interval							
Parameter	Estimate 	Standard Error	Lower	Upper			
1:p 2:p 3:Psi	0.1538956 0.3371047 0.5831458	0.0639603 0.0841209 0.1299762	0.0649413 0.1955972 0.3290924	0.3226518 0.5153941 0.7995837			

Intuitive idea of median- $\hat{c}$  procedure.

- In large samples deviance/df should estimate  $\hat{c}$ . In our dataset is is 3.73.
- in small samples, this is biased too high.
- Generate samples of fake data (like a bootstrap) with different values of  $\hat{c}$ .
- Find the value of  $\hat{c}$  where the observed deviance/df is exactly in the middle of the bootstrap values.



Unable to conduct the GOF directly with RMark.

You will need to export the information from *RMark* to *MARK* and do it in *MARK*.

Contact me for details.

# Single Species; Single-Season - Mod Assess - Summary

- PRESENCE can compute gof and  $\hat{c}$  for simple models but does not adjust se's.
- MARK has a unified treatment of gof,  $\hat{c}$ , and adjusts se.
- RPresence and RMark: Export and do in PRESENCE and MARK.
- unmarked can do the gof using parametric bootstrapping, but no estimate of  $\hat{c}$ .
- Bayesian posterior predictive checks beyond scope of course.
- No nice visual diagnostics, but see Section 4.4.11 of MacKenzie et al. (2018).

#### Caught between rock and hard place here:

- With small samples, no power to detect lack of fit
- With large sample, able to detect trivial amount of lack of fit Usually standard errors are so large that small lack of fit is unimportant.

## Single Species; Single-Season - Grossbeaks

An occupancy study was made on Blue Grosbeaks (*Guiraca caerulea*) on 41 old fields planted to longleaf pines (*Pinus palustris*) in southern Georgia, USA.

Surveys were 500 m transects across each field and were completed three times during the breeding season in 2001.

#### Columns in the file are:

- field field number
- v1, v2, v3 detection histories for each site on each of 3 visit during the 2001 breeding season.
- field.size size of the files
- *bqi* Enrollment in bobwhite quail initiative; does occupancy increase if field belongs to this initiative?
- crop.hist crop history
- crop1, crop2 indicator variables for the crop history
- count1, count2, count3 actual counts of birds detected in each visit

## Single Species; Single-Season - Exercise 02

Assess the fit of the best fitting model for the gross beak example.