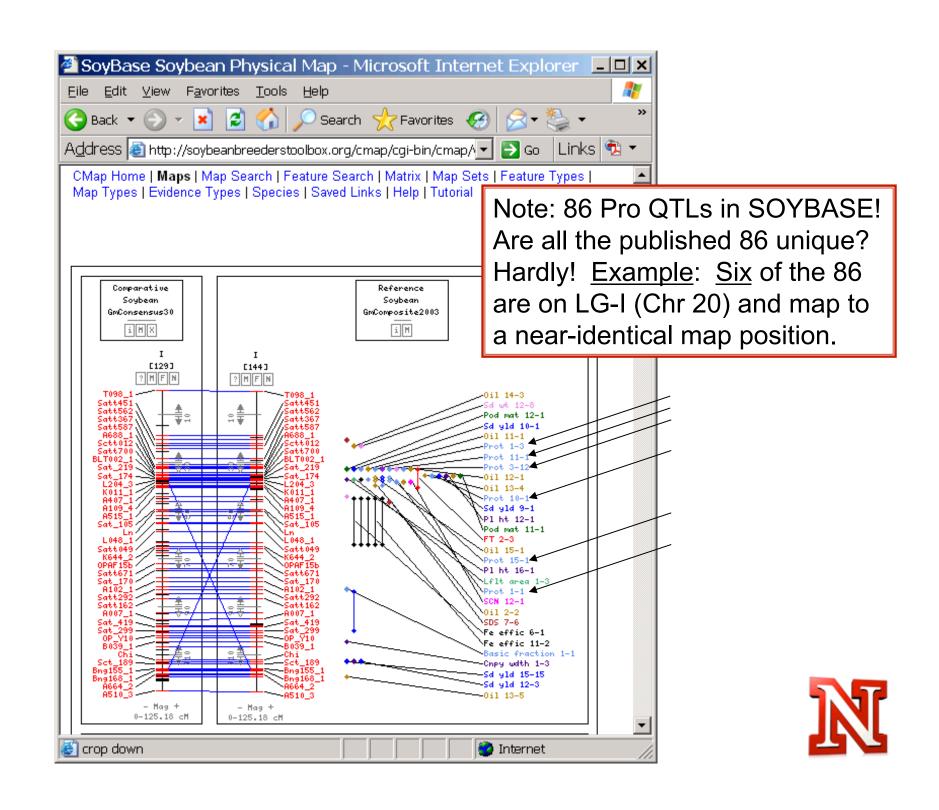


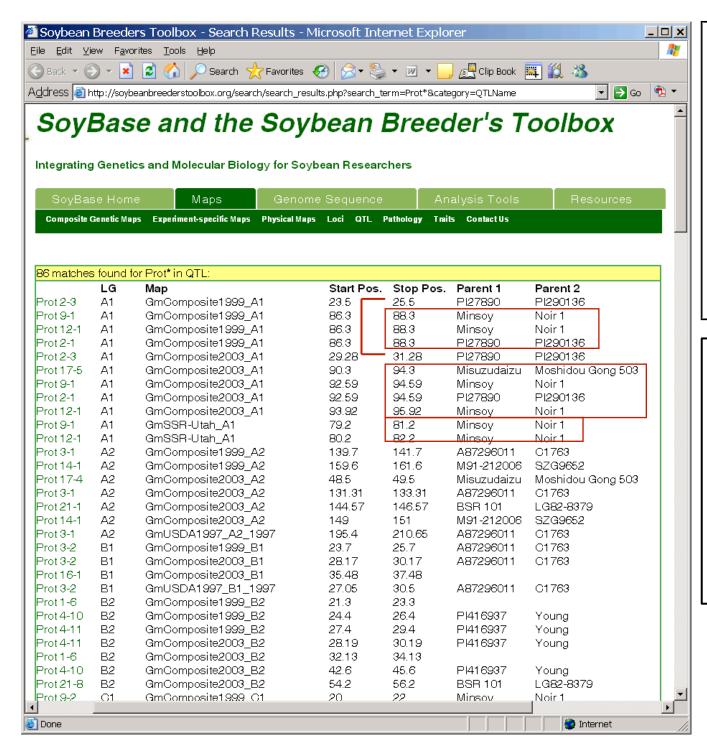
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Introduction

- High seed protein germplasm accessions can be successfully used as parents for enhancing seed protein in a soybean breeding program.
- There are hundreds of such accessions in the USDA germplasm collection.
- How many different QTLs contribute to the high protein accessions? Conventional biparental F2 (or RIL) population analysis or use association analysis of high vs. low protein populations?





Another Example:
Note that 11 of the 86 QTLs on LG-A1 (Chr 5) mapped to only 4? or 3? or 2? different positions.
So, far fewer than 86 QTLs available to breeders.

Another Issue:
In most cases, the
lines used in the biparental matings
listed here did not
have much of a
contrast in seed
protein content.



With 86 Seed Protein QTLs why search for more?

The mean map position for a QTL typically has a plus or minus confidence interval of ~10 cM, so many of the 86 QTLs are likely repeat discoveries of fewer existent QTLs!

Of the mapped QTLs that truly have different map positions, none have an additive effect greater that the respective 1.2 g/kg or 0.85 g/kg additive effects of the protein QTLs on LG-I and LG-E discovered long ago by Diers et al. (1992). All other protein QTLs documented in SoyBase have much smaller additive effects.

The high protein germplasm accessions in the USDA have not been systematically evaluated for protein QTLs. Do protein QTLs beyond those already reported in SoyBase exist in this germplasm?

Frequency of Seed Protein / Oil Values in the Glycine max Collection

Descriptor: PROTEIN obtype: NUMERIC CGC: YES Protein percent of dry weight of seed. This descriptor is a numeric field. Blank value means no data. Ex: 26.8, 49.9

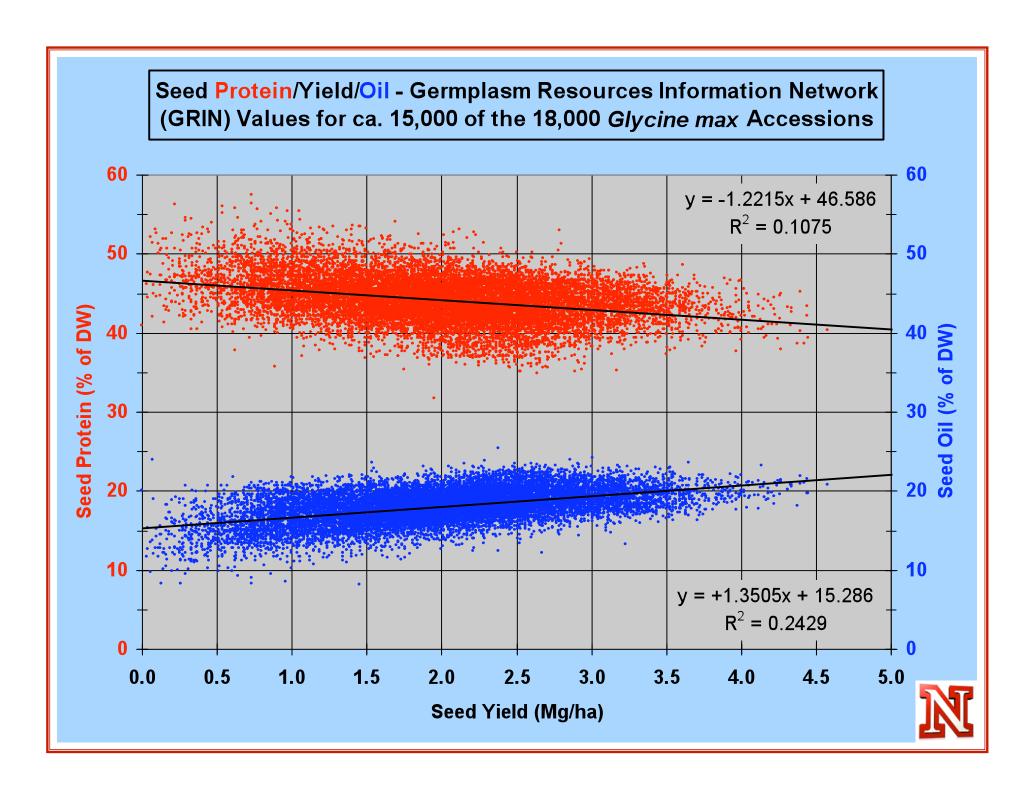
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		40.76 - 43.78 43.78 - 46.80			
		46.80 - 49.82			

Descriptor: OIL obtype: NUMERIC CGC: YES Oil percent of dry weight of seed. Descriptor is a numeric field. Blank value means no data. Ex: 16.4, 19.2

Value	Freq.	Value	Freq.	Value	Freq.
6.50 - 8.71	42	13.13 - 15.34	1348	19.76 - 21.97	2858
8.71 - 10.92	147	15.34 - 17.55	4828	21.97 - 24.18	274
10.92 - 13.13	275	17.55 - 19.76	6538	24.18 - 26.39	

Source: GRIN, March 2009





Objectives

- Identify the primary protein QTL(s) governing the high seed protein content in each of ~50 high protein germplasm accessions of MG 000, 00, 0, I, II, III, & IV.
- Use selective genotyping (i.e., phenotypic tail analysis) with the new 1536-SNP USLP 1.0 linkage panel (Hyten et al., 2010) to map the seed protein QTLs in 240-plant F2 populations derived from the mating of each of the 50 high protein PI with an elite high-yielding cultivar of equivalent MG.



Parental germplasm description. Each accession was mated to an agronomic cultivar of similar maturity (blue highlighted).

There were 52 matings, but four did not produce at least 240 F2 plants.

Maturity	Parent	Plant		D	0.1	Flower	Hilum	Pod	Pub	Pub	Scoat	Scoat	CI 4 I
group	code	Introduction	Name (if any)	Protein	Oil	color	color	color	color	form	color	lust	Shatearly
000	1001	PI153296	V-4	529	151	Р	BI	Br	T	Е	Gn	S	2.0
000	1002	PI 189963	Geant Vert	504	158	Р	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Gn	D	2.0
000	1003	PI 548399	Pando	522	155	Р	BI	Br	Т	Е	Gn	S	1.0
000	1004	PI 372423	Ronset 4	477	156	Ρ	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Lgn		
000	1005	FC 30687	Kosodiguri Extra Early	512	157	Р	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Gn	I	3.0
000	1006	PI 153293	N-34	511	158	Ρ	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Gn	S	2.0
000	1007	PI 372412	Hercumft	478	161	Ρ	BI	Tn	Τ	Е	Lgn	S	
000	1008	PI 548341	Hidatsa	509	163	Р	BI	Br	Т	Е	Gn	S	2.0
000	1009	PI 548414	Siox	522	159	Ρ	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Gn	S	2.0
000	1021M	PI 567787	OAC Vision	430/427	199/186	Р	Tn	Br	Τ	Е	Υ	D	3.0
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00	1024	PI 438415	Ronest 4	485	164	Ρ	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Gn	I	
00	1025	PI 153301	V-14	508	147	Ρ	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Gn	S	1.5
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00	1027	PI 153297	V-6	510	148	Ρ	BI	Br	Τ	Е	Gn	S	1.5
00	1038M	PI 602897	Jim	416	185	Р	Υ	Br	G	Е	Υ		2.0
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	2212		AC Proteus			Ρ	Br	Br	Т		Υ	D	
	2213		AC Proteina			Ρ	Br	Br	Т		Υ		
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Ó	1040	PI 261469	Wasedaizue No. 1	488	195	W	Bf	Br	G	Α	Υ	D	1.0
Ó	1041	PI 181571	No. 58	485	177	W	Bf	Br	G	Α	Υ	D	2.0
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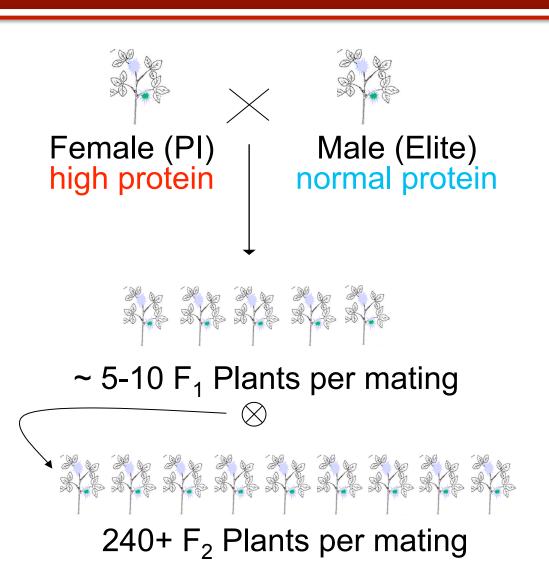
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Population Development

Summer 2007

Greenhouse Winter 07-08

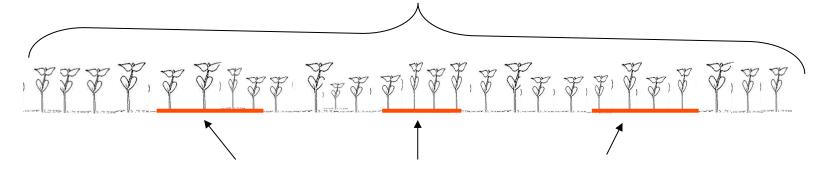
Summer 2008





Field Layout (one F₂ pop)

Population of 240 F₂ plants spaced 3"apart in the row



Four female and Four male parents (also 3" apart) were repeated at five positions within each F₂ plant row to obtain a measure of field variation on the protein content of a homozygous genotype



Collecting leaf samples

- Leaf samples were collected 3-4 weeks after planting date (starting with earliest MG matings first).
- One trifoliolate leaf was collected from each F₂ plant.
- The leaf collection plates (3, for up to 288 F2 plants per population) kept on dry ice in the field.



The leaf collection plates (3 per pop), when full, were put immediately into a -80C freezer.

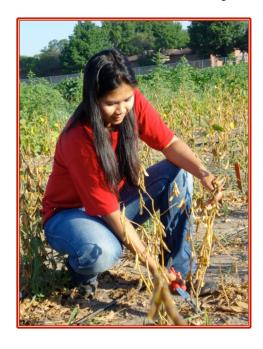






Harvesting & Threshing

- Mature F₂ plants were individually harvested into bags
- F₂ plants were individually threshed to create packets of
 F₂-derived F₃ seed progenies
- Parental and F₁ plants planted among F₂ plants were also individually threshed

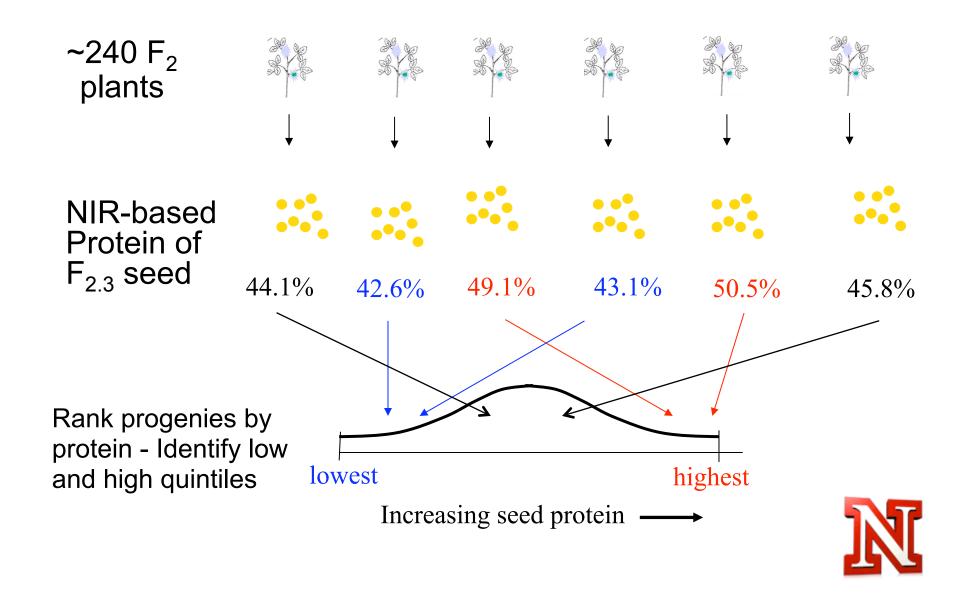






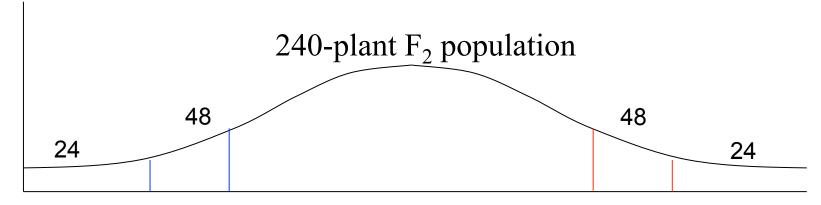


F_{2.3} seed NIR Analysis



F_{2.3} seed NIR Analysis

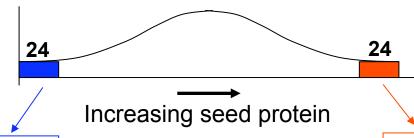
Redo (2nd rep) NIR on <u>low</u> and <u>high</u> <u>quintiles</u> (i.e., validate the phenotypic values in the tails) to increase the precision of <u>decile</u> selection!



F_{2.3} - lowest <u>decile</u> (24) of total protein range

F_{2.3} - highest <u>decile</u> (24) of total protein range

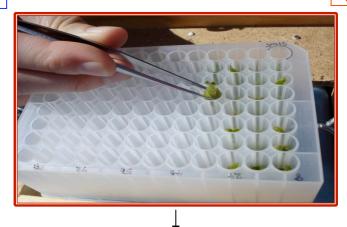
240-plant F₂ population



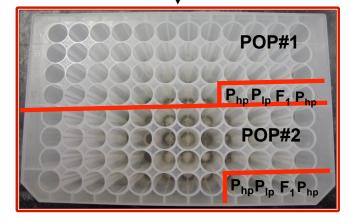
F₂ plants producing lowest protein F₃ seed (Lowest 10%)

F₂ plants producing highest protein F₃ seed (Highest 10%)

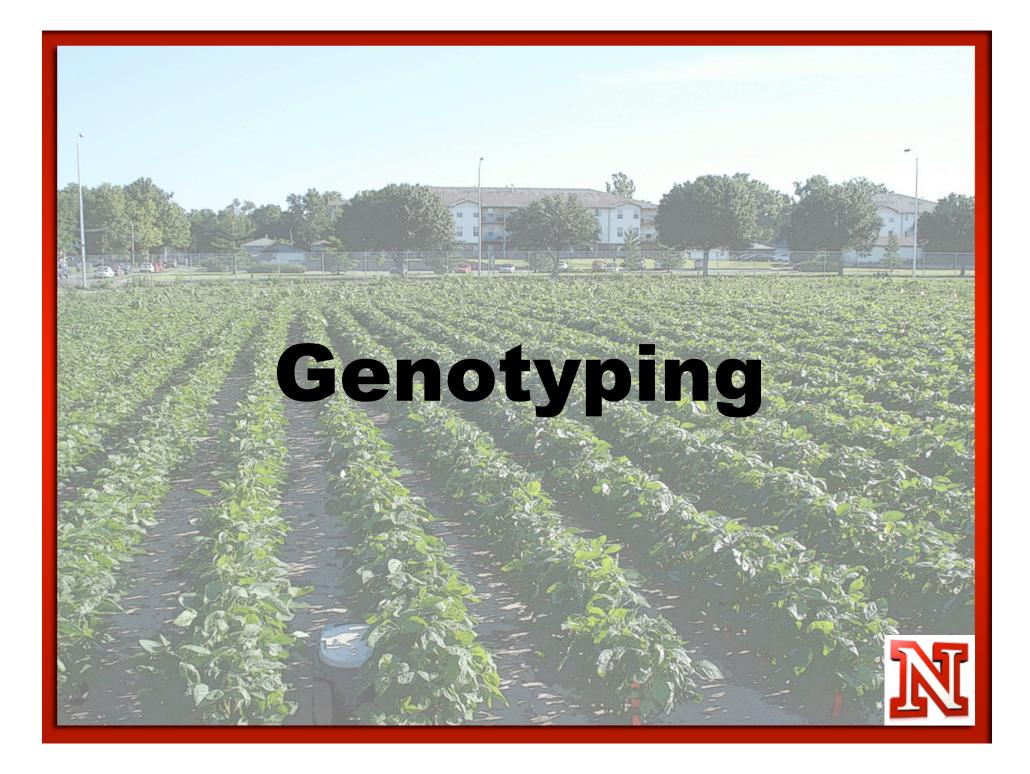
F₂ leaflet retrieved from collection plates for each respective F_{2.3} seed progeny in each decile fraction (22L:22H = 44 wells).



2-pop 96-well plates with frozen leaflets shipped to Beltsville for DNA extraction and SNP genotyping





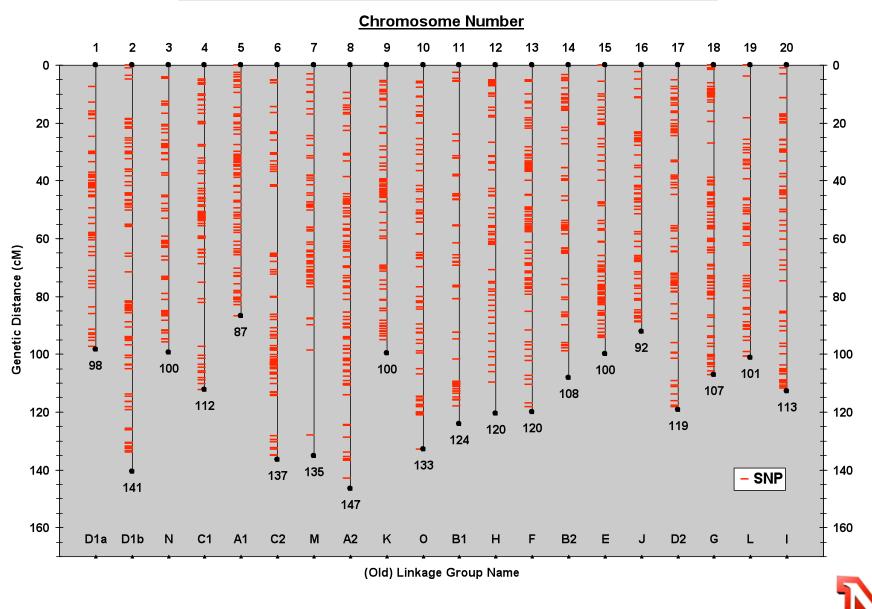


Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) Analysis

- Screen the 24 high protein and 24 low protein F_{2.3} progenies with 1536 SNP loci in USLP 1.0 (Hyten et al., 2010, forthcoming in Crop Science).
- SNP allele analyses were conducted using GoldenGate assay on the Illumina® BeadStation 500 Genotyping Platform
- The 1536 SNP analysis on the first 20 populations were conducted by personnel at the Genomics and Improvement Laboratory, USDA, Beltsville, MD.
- The other 28 populations are not yet analyzed.



Soybean Genetic Map - USLP 1.0 - 1536 SNP Markers

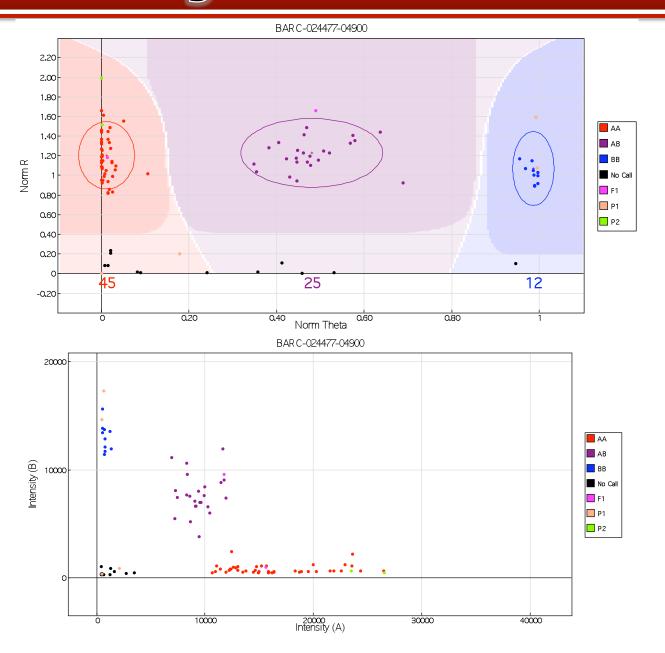


(Hyten et al. (2010); Crop Sci (in press)

SNP Analysis

- BeadStudio software was the program used for SNP allele scoring (next slide).
- Not all 1536 SNPs can be parentally bimorphic in any given population, but in elite x PI matings, one can expect bimorphism for ~500 SNPs.
- Goal: Genotyping the lowest and highest deciles of each F₂ protein distribution, SNP loci with a skewed allele frequency between the two decile groups is suggestive of a SNP locus linkage to a protein QTL.

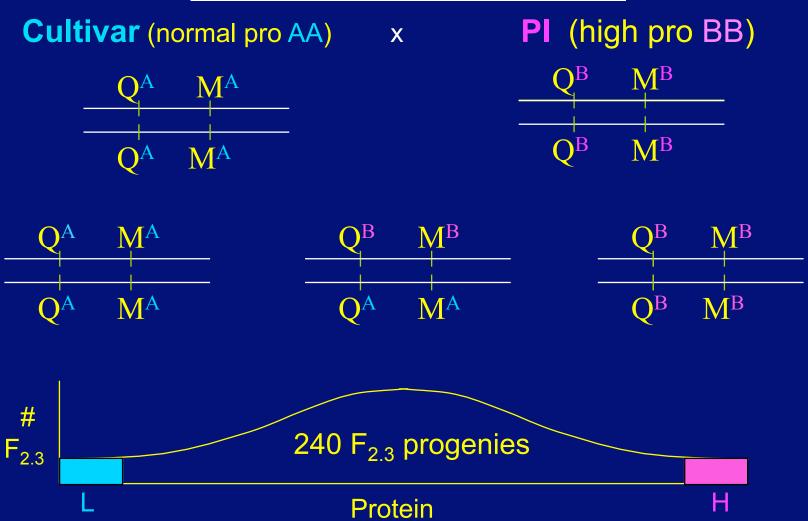
SNP Analysis - Bead Studio





Detecting QTL in Selective Genotyping

Theoretical Concept - 1 Marker



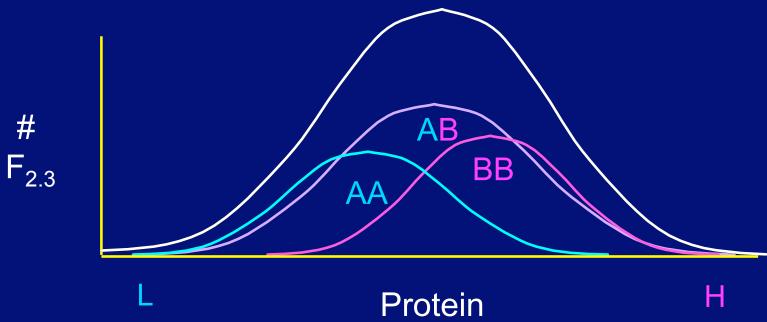
Assuming complete linkage of marker allele with protein QTL allele

F_{2.3} Protein distribution by genotype of a linked Marker

Cultivar (AA) x PI (BB)

Entire F_{2.3} pop:

60AA: 120AB: 60BB

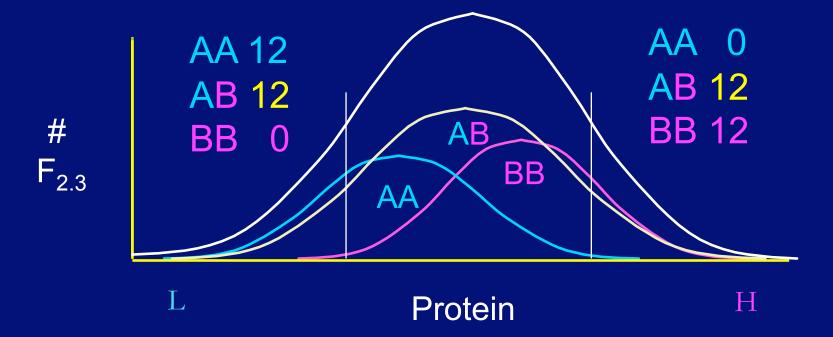


Marker genotypes in protein deciles

Cultivar (AA) x PI (BB)

Entire F_{2.3} pop:

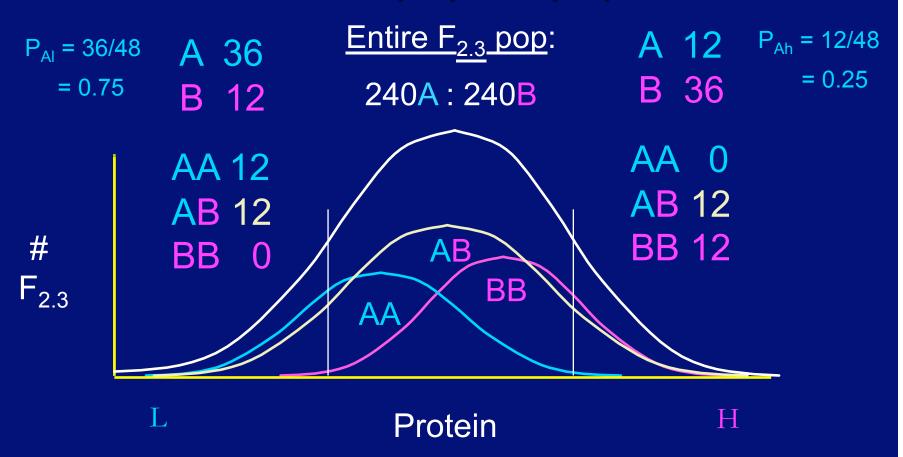
60AA: 120AB: 60BB



Chi-square test of observed vs. expected $\alpha = 0.05$

Allele genotypes in protein deciles

Cultivar (AA) x PI (BB)



A two-sample t-test of SNP allele frequency

Detecting QTL in Selective Genotyping

If a marker is unlinked to a QTL for seed protein content, then the expected marker allele A frequencies the low quintile group (N_{low}) and the high quintile group (N_{high}) should have null hypothesis values of 0.5 and 0.5, respectively.

$$t = \frac{P_{Alow} - P_{Ahigh}}{\sqrt{\frac{p_{A0} (1 - p_{A0}) + p_{A0} (1 - p_{A0})}{2N_{low}} + \frac{p_{A0} (1 - p_{A0})}{2N_{high}}}$$

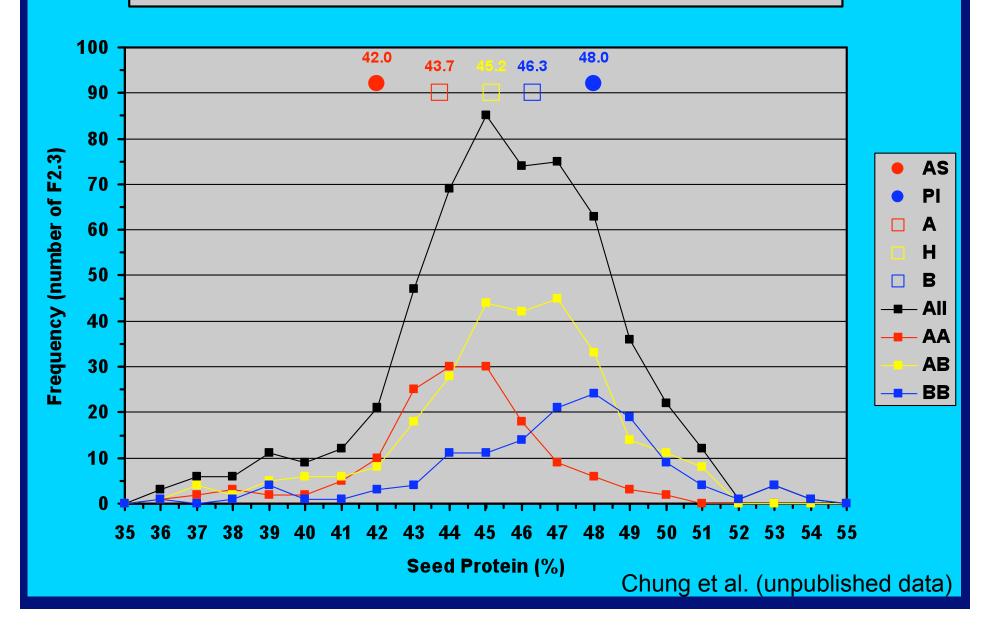
 P_{Alow} = an A allele frequency of low protein decile

 $\overline{P_{Ahigh}}$ = an A allele frequency of high protein decile

 N_{low} = # of low protein $F_{2.3}$ progenies = 24

 N_{high} = # of high protein $F_{2.3}$ progenies = 24

Seed Protein Distribution for <u>557</u> F2.3 Progenies of an F2 Plant Population derived from a Low x High Protein Mating of <u>Asgrow A3733 (42.0%)</u> x <u>Pl</u> 437.088A (48.0%) (Note: The 1AA:2AB:1BB F2 Genotypes are those for the LG-I SSR Marker Satt496)



- QTL analysis with R/QTL software
 - Marker regression (MR)
 - Interval Mapping Analysis
 - Maximum Likelihood method using Expectation-Maximization (EM) algorithm
 - Multiple Imputation Method (IMP)
 - Stratified permutation used to derive a genome wide significance criterion (alpha = 0.05)

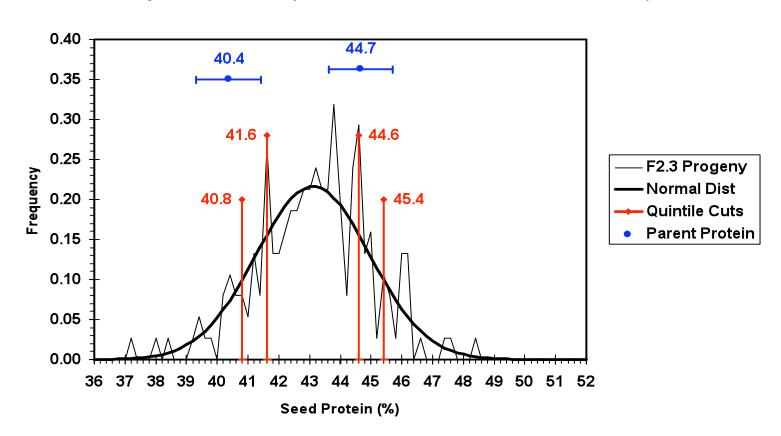




Phenotypic Distributions

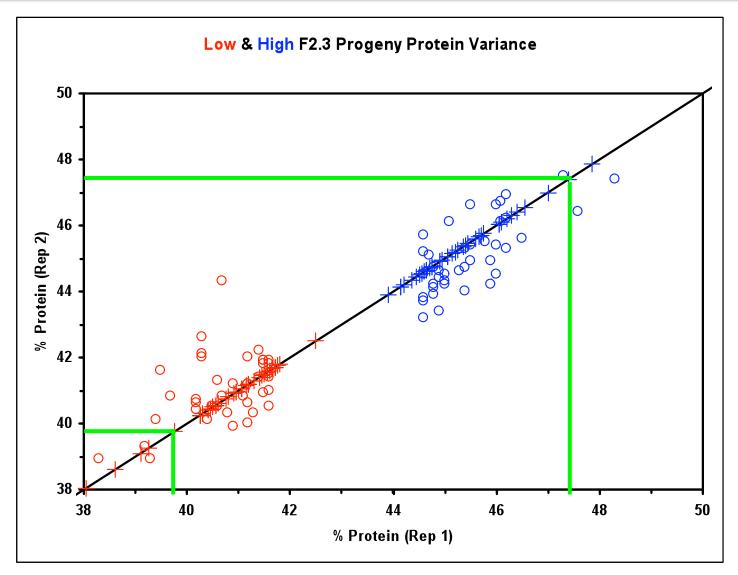
- F₂ population from 1076 x Dwight mating
- Entire F₂ population NIR-phenotyped (rep 1) for F₃ seed protein content
- Lowest and highest quintiles re-NIR-phenotyped (rep 2)

Population #1076 (PI 597.386 LoPro x HiPro PI 437.112A)





Other Phenotypic Considerations





Comparison of replicate 1 & 2 NIR protein values in Population 1076

Genotypic Data

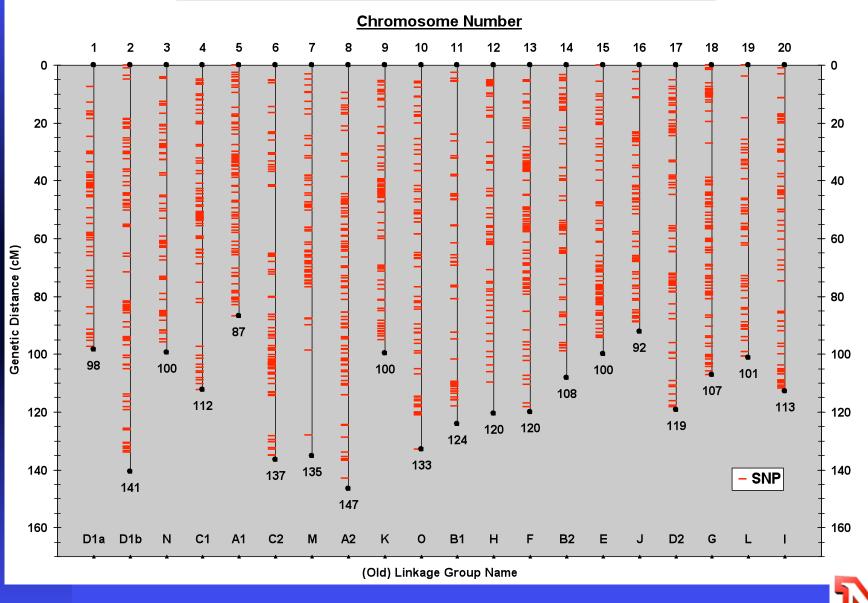
Polymorphic markers in six populations

Population	opulation Polymorphic marker			
1076	497	39		
1121	467	37		
1122	425	33		
1139	510	40		
1143	472	37		
1146	497	39		

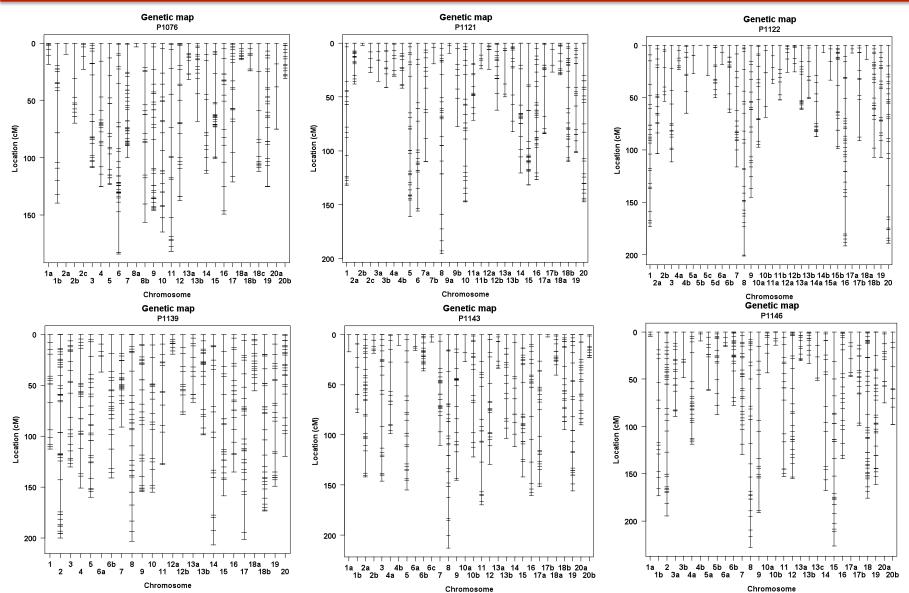
1272 SNP loci were bimorphic across all 20 populations.



Soybean Genetic Map - USLP 1.0 - 1536 SNP Markers



Linkage Mapping





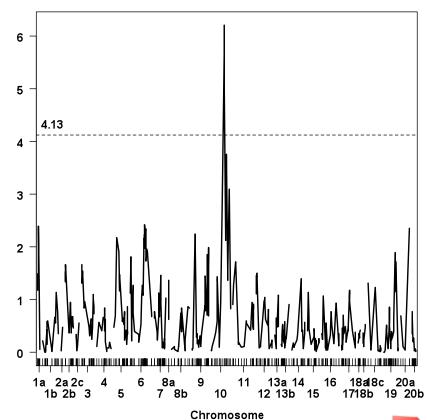
Marker regression (MR)

P1076 Seed Protein

8 Single Marker Analysis (method=mr) LOD Score Single Marker Analysis (method=mr) LOD Score 6 4.15 2 16 18al8c 20a 1718b 19 20b 13a 14 Chromosome

Chr. 6 (C2); marker S30557; LOD = 4.89 Chr. 10 (O); marker S19004; LOD = 8.05

P1076 Seed Oil



Chr. 10 (O); marker S19004; LOD = 6.21



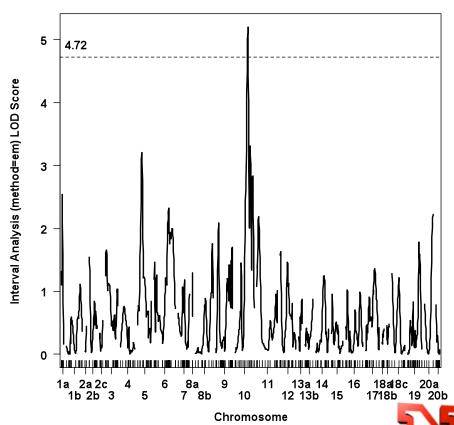
Expectation-Maximization Algorithm (EM)

P1076 Seed Protein

Interval Analysis (method=em) LOD Score 4 - 3.77 3 11 13a 14 16 18al8c 20a 12 13b 15 Chromosome

Chr. 6 (C2); marker S12725; LOD = 4.86; a = -0.93; R² = 11 Chr. 10 (O); marker S19004; LOD = 6.94; a = 0.96; R² = 16

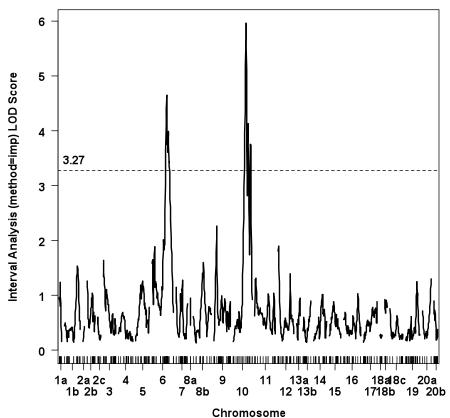
P1076 Seed Oil



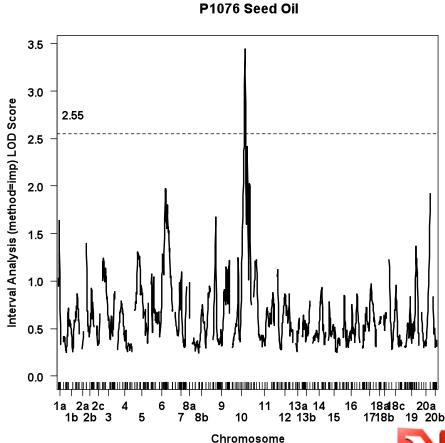
Chr. 10 (O); marker S19004; LOD = 6.94; a = 0.88; R² = 12

Multiple Imputation Method (IMP)

P1076 Seed Protein

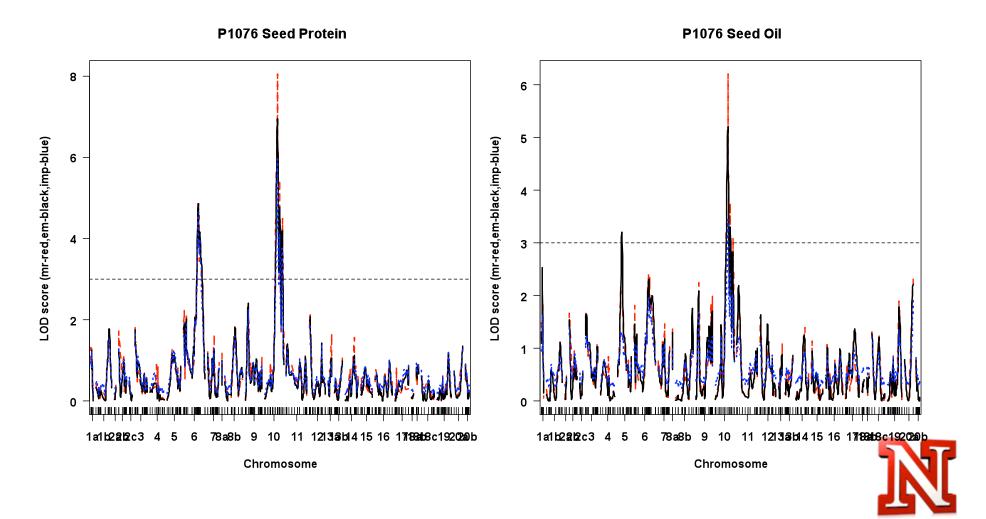


Chr. 6 (C2); marker S12725; LOD = 4.65; a = -0.93; R² = 11Chr. 10 (O); marker S19004; LOD = 5.97; a = 0.96; R² = 14

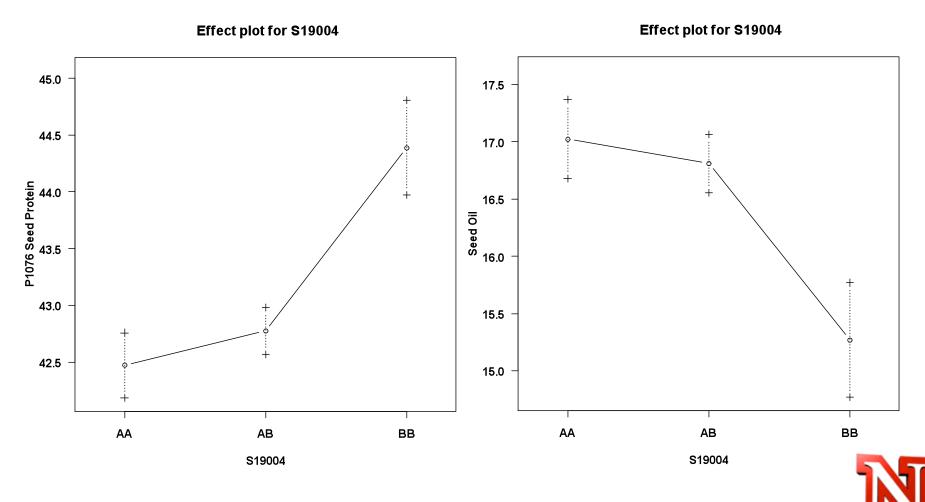


Chr. 10 (O); marker S19004; LOD = 3.45; a = 0.88 $R^2 = 8$

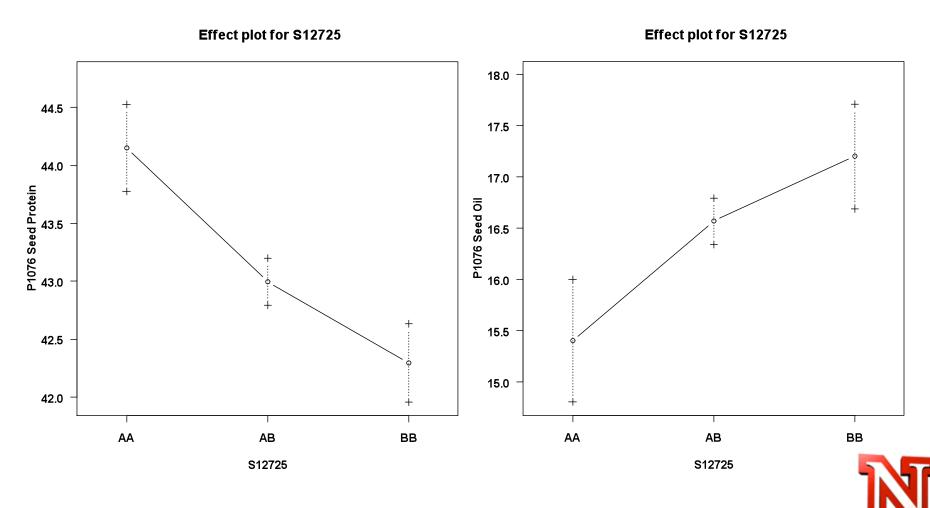
Comparison of three methods



Effect plot from EM method – Chr 10 (LG-O)



Effect plot from EM method – Chr 6 (LG-C2)



Conclusions

- The 22 lowest and 22 highest protein F2:3 progenies selected from ~240 total progeny in 48 of 52 populations (4 lost or discarded) were genotyped with 1536 SNPs distributed over the 20 chromosomes of the soybean genome.
- QTL analyses that have now been completed on 20 of the 48 populations. About 500 SNPs segregated in nearly every population.
- About 20 protein QTLs were detected in seven linkage groups in these 20 F2 populations.

Conclusions

Over all 20 populations, statistically significant seed protein QTLs detected on Chr (LG-) in these pops:

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3 (LG-N) - 1140
6 (LG-C2) - 1076, 1121, 1108
10 (LG-O) - 1076, 1113, 1121, 1122, 1142
14 (LG-B2) - 1146
15 (LG-E) - 1140, 1143
18 (LG-G) - 1108, 1121
20 (LG-I) - 1024, 1025, 1110, 1113, 1138, 1139
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Soybean Genetic Map - USLP 1.0 - 1536 SNP Markers

