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Maximising the probability of detection in heterogeneous grain bulks

Sampling basis for management

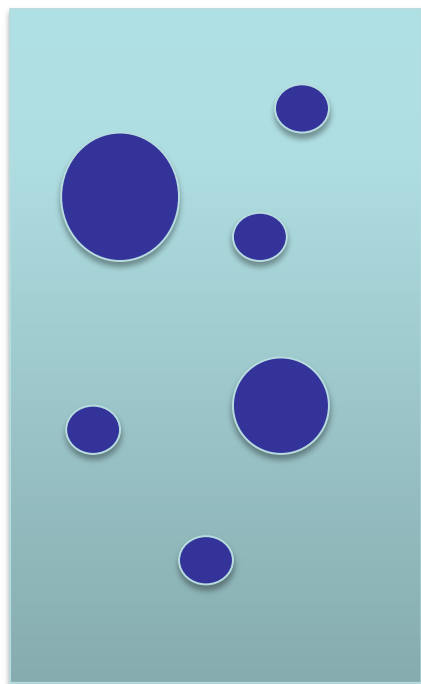
Aim: detect insects in grain bulk with
known probability

Much (very good work) already done

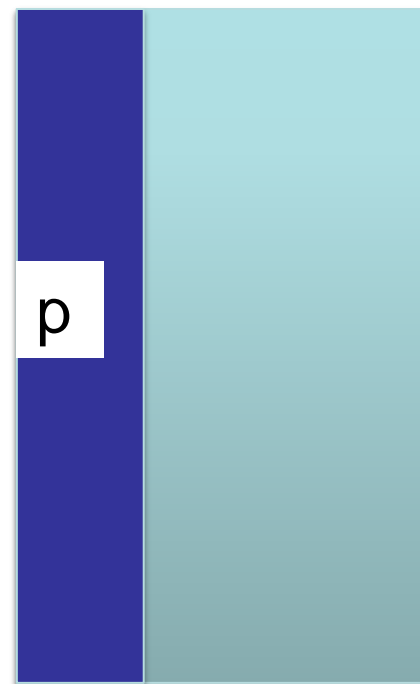
- Estimate number of samples to take based on a sampling model
- All models are wrong, some are useful
 - Fit for the purpose-incorporate along supply chain
 - Model complexity (number of parameters)

- Need meaningful aspects of organism's ecology
- Most currently in use based on a Binomial
- Assumption- homogeneous distribution of critters

Alternative



λ number/kg
infested portion



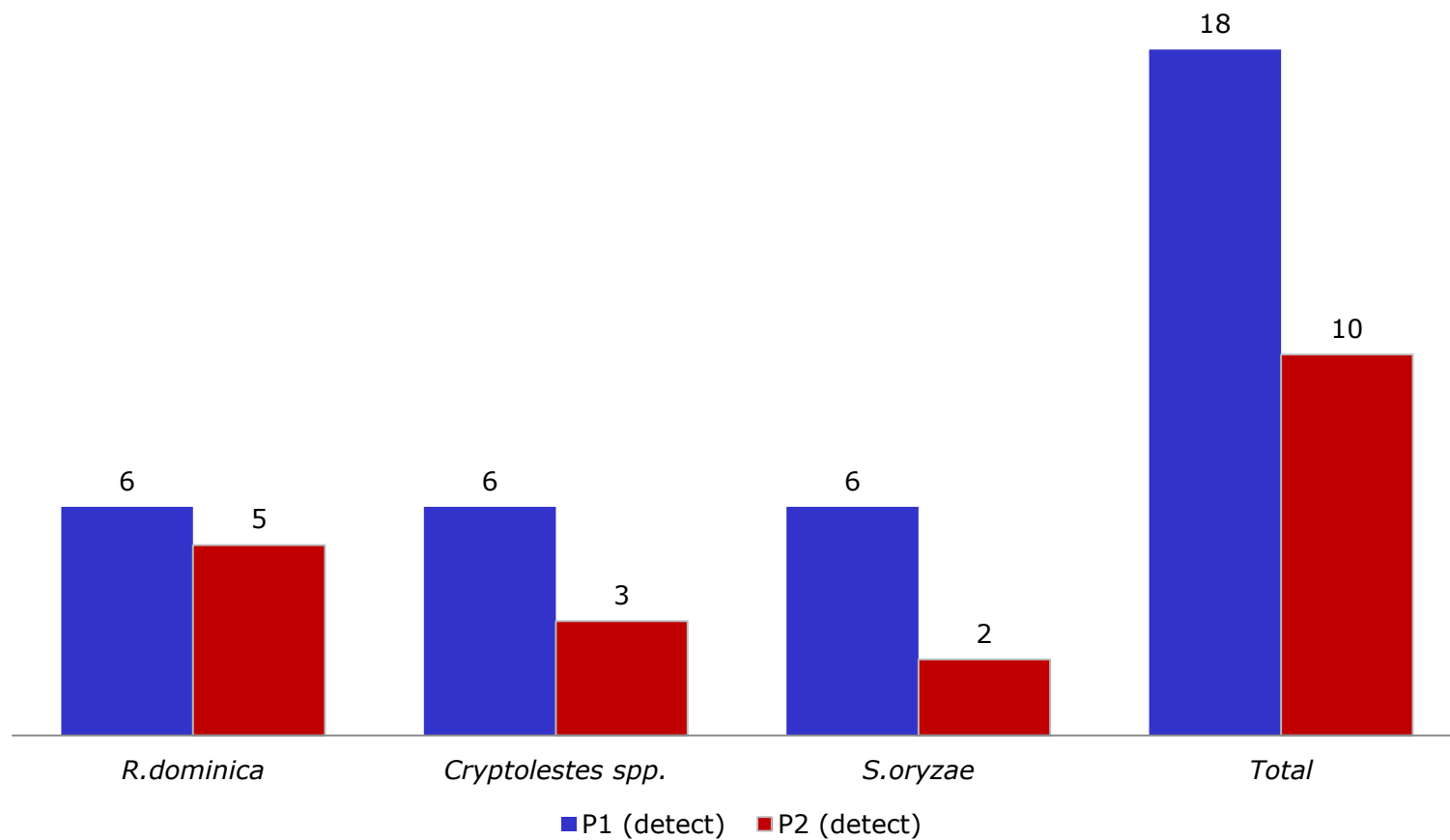
$$P(\text{detection}) = 1 - (1 - p + pe^{-w\lambda})^n$$







	Probability of Detection (%)	Prediction $P(A>0)$	Silo 1 Successes	Silo 2 Successes	Prediction $P(\psi)$	Silo 1 Successes	Silo 2 Successes
<u><i>R. dominica</i></u>	95	3	3	3	1	2	3
	85	2	3	3	1	2	3
	75	1	3	3	1	2	3
<u><i>Cryptolestes</i> <i>Spp.</i></u>	95	5	3	3	1	1	2
	85	3	3	3	1	1	2
	75	2	3	3	1	1	2
<u><i>S. oryzae</i></u>	95	13	3	3	1	2	0
	85	9	2	2	1	2	0
	75	6	2	1	1	2	0



- Homogeneity - efficiency of sampling programs relate to proportion of grain bulk sampled
- Heterogeneity – number of subsamples very important
 - probability of intersecting infested portion



- NOT the first time heterogeneity been considered
- Simple, generic model
 - applied at farm level, trucks, bulk storages
 - minimum number of parameters to estimate
 - Integration along supply chain?

- Improving detection probabilities for pests in stored grains. (in press)
Elmouttie, Kiermeier, Hamilton. Pest Management Science



- Omniscience=collaboration?
- Ecology, simulation modelling, statistics (no physics, sorry...)

$$P(A = a \mid X = x) = \frac{e^{-xw\lambda} (xw\lambda)^a}{a!}$$