

## ***Appendix 8: Statistical details***

### **8.1 The specification of a simple method for using an isotope profile to exclude locations from those that may be a source of the sample that produced the profile, see final report section 4.5.2.3**

#### “Database >95%”

The database has 2816 rows. Each row provides the following data about a district-level postcode.

- 1 Unlabelled row number
- 2 OBJECTID: a code
- 3 District: district postcode
- 4,5 X, Y: easting and northing
- 6,7 Longitude, Latitude
- 8 EXPC1: expected value of PC1 at this location
- 9 EXPC2: expected value of PC2 at this location
- 10 EXPC3: expected value of PC3 at this location
- 11 EXPC4: expected value of PC4 at this location
- 12 H: Expected H isotope ratio at this location
- 13 C: Expected C isotope ratio at this location
- 14 N: Expected N isotope ratio at this location
- 15 S: Expected S isotope ratio at this location
- 16 sePC1: Estimated variation expressed as a standard deviation around EXPC1
- 17 sePC2: Estimated variation expressed as a standard deviation around EXPC2
- 18 sePC3: Estimated variation expressed as a standard deviation around EXPC3
- 19 sePC4: Estimated variation expressed as a standard deviation around EXPC4

#### “Database 80”

This has the same structure as “Database >95%”. Estimated variations around expected principal component scores are based on the median rather than 95 percentile of prediction standard errors, observed during model fitting.

#### Constants used in process

mH -99.27395  
mC= -25.54976  
mN= 7.291326  
mS= 6.161561

vH= 4.514928  
vC= 1.619716  
vN= 1.063242  
vS= 2.755421

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.5728024 & 0.3159510 & 0.4872710 & 0.5784802 \\ -0.5707021 & -0.4072466 & 0.3383457 & -0.6276715 \\ -0.3434787 & 0.7431636 & -0.4170670 & -0.3946964 \\ 0.4777227 & 0.4266532 & 0.6885814 & -0.3400057 \end{pmatrix}$$

CRIT95= 9.487729 this is the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile of the Chi-squared distribution with 4 degrees of freedom

CRIT80= 5.988617 this is the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile of the Chi-squared distribution with 4 degrees of freedom

### User input

Choose between confidence=">95%" and confidence="80%", enter HCNS isotope ratio results.

### Process

The process has five steps.

1 Get results: H, C, N, and S for the sample

2 Calculate the standardised values

$$Hs = (H - mH)/vH$$

$$Cs = (C - mC)/vC$$

$$Ns = (N - mN)/vN$$

$$Ss = (S - mS)/vS$$

3 Calculate the principle components scores using the matrix multiplication

$$(PC1 \ PC2 \ PC3 \ PC4) = (Hs \ Cs \ Ns \ Ss) \cdot \mathbf{V}$$

If matrix multiplication is not available, the principle components can be calculated manually using each element of  $\mathbf{V}$ :  $V[\text{row}, \text{column}]$ .

$$PC1 = Hs.V[1,1] + Cs.V[2,1] + Ns.V[3,1] + Ss.V[4,1]$$

$$PC2 = Hs.V[1,2] + Cs.V[2,2] + Ns.V[3,2] + Ss.V[4,2]$$

$$PC3 = Hs.V[1,3] + Cs.V[2,3] + Ns.V[3,3] + Ss.V[4,3]$$

$$PC4 = Hs.V[1,4] + Cs.V[2,4] + Ns.V[3,4] + Ss.V[4,4]$$

- 4 Then for each line *i* of **beefrafter with extrapolated points.csv** if **confidence=">95"** or **beefrafter with extrapolated points 80.csv** if **confidence="80"**], calculate a score,  $score[i]$ .

$$score[i] = \left( \frac{PC1 - EXPC1[i]}{sePC1[i]} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{PC2 - EXPC2[i]}{sePC2[i]} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{PC3 - EXPC3[i]}{sePC3[i]} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{PC3 - EXPC3[i]}{sePC3[i]} \right)^2$$

- 5 Return a list of locations from the database: District[*i*], X[*i*], Y[*i*], Longitude[*i*], Latitude[*i*] which meet the condition.

If confidence = ">95"

$$score[i] > CRIT95$$

If confidence = "80"

$$score[i] > CRIT80$$

The sample is assessed as NOT being from two-letter postcodes for which all districts meet the condition  $score[i] > CRITxx$

## 8.2 Details of hydrogen (a) and carbon 9b) equation, see final report section 4.5.2.5

### Details of (a) – hydrogen equation

Formula:  $y \sim K + A * \sin(2 * \pi * (308/365) * xt + X)$

Parameters:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
K	-0.9953	0.1888	-5.270	2.30e-07 ***
A	-0.9996	0.2538	-3.938	9.79e-05 ***
X	0.3055	0.2512	1.216	0.225

### Details of (a) – carbon equation

Formula:  $y \sim K + A * \sin(2 * \pi * (308/365) * xt + X)$

Parameters:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
K	0.14994	0.08039	1.865	0.0629 .
A	0.42186	0.10687	3.947	9.42e-05 ***
X	1.70981	0.25622	6.673	8.96e-11 ***