



INTERFAMILY VARIATION IN WOOD QUALITY OF BLACK SPRUCE IN A
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ABSTRACT

Keywords: Black spruce, wood density, wood quality, breeding value.

The right trees for replanting must be selected to ensure optimal future forest conditions. Based on desired future outcomes, various progenies can be selected to suit these needs. In Canada, black spruce (*Picea mariana*), plays a crucial role in the forest economy. This is due to the large range the species covers as well as the variety of products produced from it, especially pulp. It is hypothesized that various families differ significantly in wood quality. Top growing families (designated with high breeding values) are believed to have the poorest wood quality due to their rapid growth. This paper aims to test that hypothesis and examine the correlation between breeding values and wood quality. Samples tested through models such as regressions and ANOVA analysis concluded that there is low to none statistical significance between wood quality and breeding value. However, this result could possibly be attributed to a low number of samples, as well as lack of control for block effects.

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INTRODUCTION

In order to determine the appropriate trees to plant for future reforestation efforts, trees that have been grown in past family tests must be analyzed. Depending on the final purpose and use for these trees, different attributes can be selected for. In the majority of cases, industry selects for those trees that are able to be most profitable. In other words, trees that have the best desired quality, either wood properties or growth, in the shortest amount of time.

Selection attributes that would provide the best quality in the shortest amount of time would be density and height. In this instance, density would be a measure of the wood quality. Density of wood is an important measure of quality since this affects quality of both solid wood and fibrous products (Zobel and Jett 1995). There is a clear relationship of density to pulp yield, paper-making properties, as well as clear-wood and lumber strength. Height is one measure that can be used to determine growth over time. It can be hypothesized simply that taller trees grow faster. Furthermore, selection of families with higher wood density results in reduced mortality. Studies suggest that this increase in wood density provides structural benefits such as stem stiffness and strength to be able to withstand a wide variety of hazards in the understory (McMahon 1973). Also, studies confirmed that density has been correlated with growth rate and mortality, such that saplings with higher wood density resist infection by having harder and impenetrable stems (Augspurger 1984).

The value of wood can be determined by its machine stress rating (MSR). MSR measures stiffness of individual lumber pieces to estimate their strength and thus assign them to various categories (Zhang et al 2002). Multiple characteristics such as defects and density affect this MSR. To improve these characteristics, forest management actions such as spacing and longer rotations can be used. However, choosing to plant families with a genetic advantage would reduce the need for longer rotations and thus increase profits. Wood density in black spruce (*Picea mariana*) is highly heritable (Lenz et al 2017), however optimal trees to be selected are those that also carry traits for fast growth.

The purpose of this paper is to examine the correlation between breeding value and wood density. The hypothesis is that families with a high breeding value will result in less wood density, due to their faster growth. Likewise, those families with low breeding values will result in higher wood density, due to their slower growth. A negative correlation is expected, which would indicate that breeding for increased growth has a negative effect on wood quality.

LITERATURE REVIEW

USE OF FAMILY TESTS AND PROVENANCE TRIALS

Family tests and provenance trials aid foresters in making the right choice as to what trees to plant for the following rotation (Nikolaeva 2014). Family tests and provenance trials provide a great deal of information in order to select the optimal trees for the desired site and purpose. Foremost, provenance trials are conducted, and provenance is defined as “the original geographic area from which seeds or other

propagules were obtained” (Zobel and Jett1995). Due to wide natural ranges of plants, such as black spruce, trees develop certain characteristics as a result of adaptation to their specific environment. These characteristics may include stem form, resistance to pests, and growth rate.

For black spruce, there is a large amount of clinal variation in growth and survival particularly (Morgenstern and Mullin, 1990). Best growth can be found in provenances with more degree days, and best survival in those with fewer degree days, ultimately showing that faster growing provenances do not have best survival (Boyle 1985; Morgenstern and Mullin, 1990). Due to the significant trade-off between these traits, and the equal importance they carry, breeding values are assigned to the families and individuals. Various traits that the trees possess, such as growth and form, as well as their performance are compiled to determine these breeding values to aid in future selection.

The goal of family testing, specifically that of the Lake Nipigon West Black Spruce Family Tests Breeding Zone, is to calculate both family and individual breeding values (Fu 2000). The use of this data will assist in selecting individuals for a second-generation seed orchard and also for rouging the associated Nikulasson seed orchard. The benefits of this is to promote and use those individuals and families that meet objectives (have a high breeding value), and to eliminate those that are not desired. By attaching breeding values to families and individuals, this is what helps foresters determine what trees are best suited for the area.

IMPORTANCE OF WOOD DENSITY

Wood density is the most important property in wood, not only in solid products but also in fibrous products (Zobel and Jett 1995). Besides its importance in wood products, wood density is an important aspect in survival also. Trees must at least have stems strong enough to support their own weight, in order to prevent them from bending or breaking (McMahon 1973; King 1981). Thus, trees with higher density are not only able to support their own weight, but also resist environmental factors. Some environmental factors that trees may face can include severe winds, snow, as well as other falling trees and/or branches. In addition, wood density also affects survival in terms of resistance. Saplings which have higher wood density are more resistant to insects and pathogens, since their stems are less penetrable (Auspurger 1984). By having this increase in wood density, trees are less likely to suffer damages or defects from these environmental conditions and grow properly.

Furthermore, wood density is often the determining factor for the end use product of a species (Zhang 2003). High density is associated with lumber strength, stiffness and high pulp yield, however, some end products (OSB) require low density wood. Since wood density plays a significant role in determining end use, it is important to manage for the desired wood density to achieve the desired objectives. Managing for wood density is also important since it affects MSR (Machine Stress Rated) yield (Zhang et al 2002). Management through appropriate silviculture and forestry practices, such as spacing, rotation age and pruning, can improve wood quality and result in an increase in the MSR yield.

IMPORTANCE OF BLACK SPRUCE

Black spruce is important for the forest industry in Canada as well as portions of the United States. This is partially due to the large range that the species covers. Black spruce can be found from coast to coast, including the Lake States of the United States, Alaska, and as far north as 68°N in latitude which is above the treeline in the Arctic Circle (Heinselman, 1957). Commercially, black spruce is used for a variety of products such as framing material, millwork, crating and other lumber products (Alden 1997). However, in Canada it is the most important pulpwood species (Viereck and Johnston 1990). Black spruce is selected over other species due to its structural qualities. Black spruce wood contains long tracheids, which is important in the pulp industry, as well as high relative density, in addition to being resistant to insects and diseases.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

For the analysis conducted in this thesis, a specific subset of trees was sampled from the Lake Nipigon West Black Spruce Breeding Program Block 3 Test Site. Of the Black Spruce, (*Picea mariana*), at the site, the 5 best and 5 worst performing families (Table 1.0), in terms of breeding value, of the 230 first generation families carried forward to the second generation of the breeding program were selected. Samples from 5 individuals of each family were collected. The test site was established in 1988 in a single tree plot design with 32 blocks covering an area of 5 hectares (Figure 1). The test site is located at UTM coordinates 284069.00000 5422510.00000, which is off Shelby Rd, between Shabaqua Corners and Upsala (Figure 2).

Table 1.0: Top five best and worst performing families sampled.

Top 5 Best Families	Top 5 Worst Families
48	185
31	275
285	81
393	205
21	62

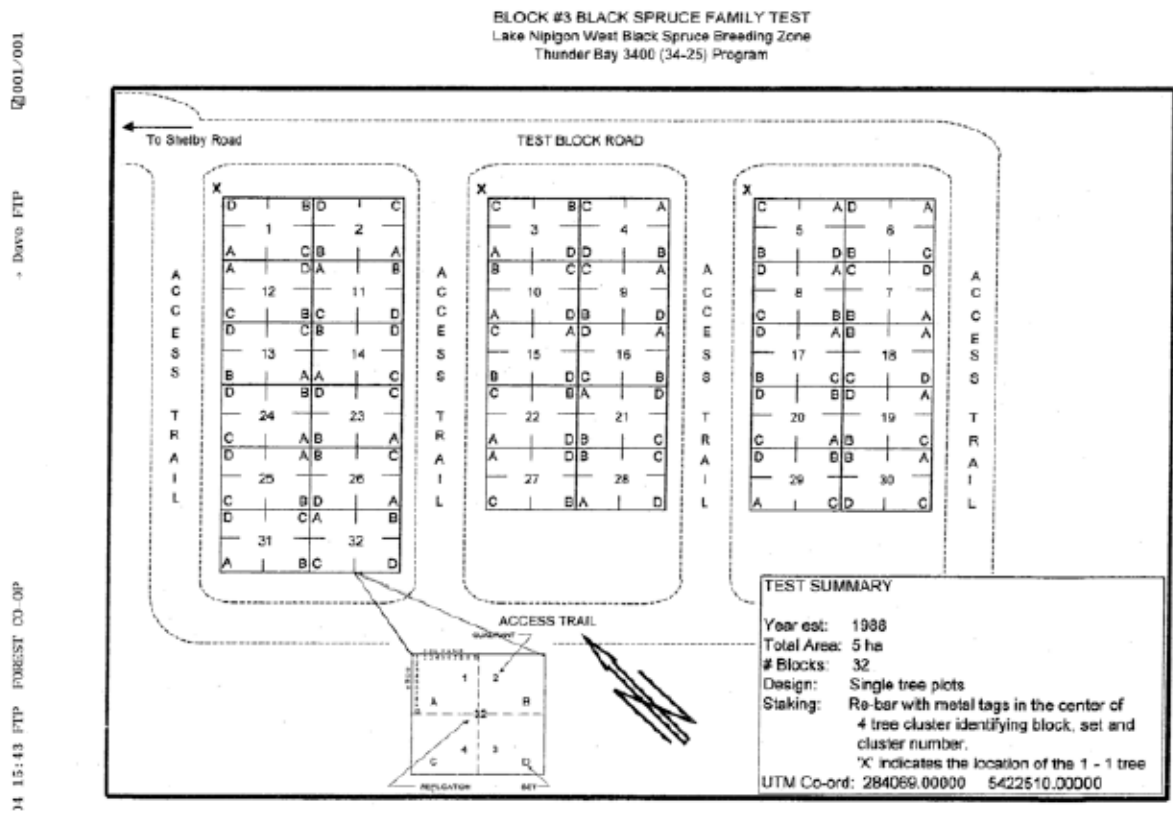


Figure 1: Lake Nipigon West Black Spruce Breeding Zone Block #3 Family Test Map.

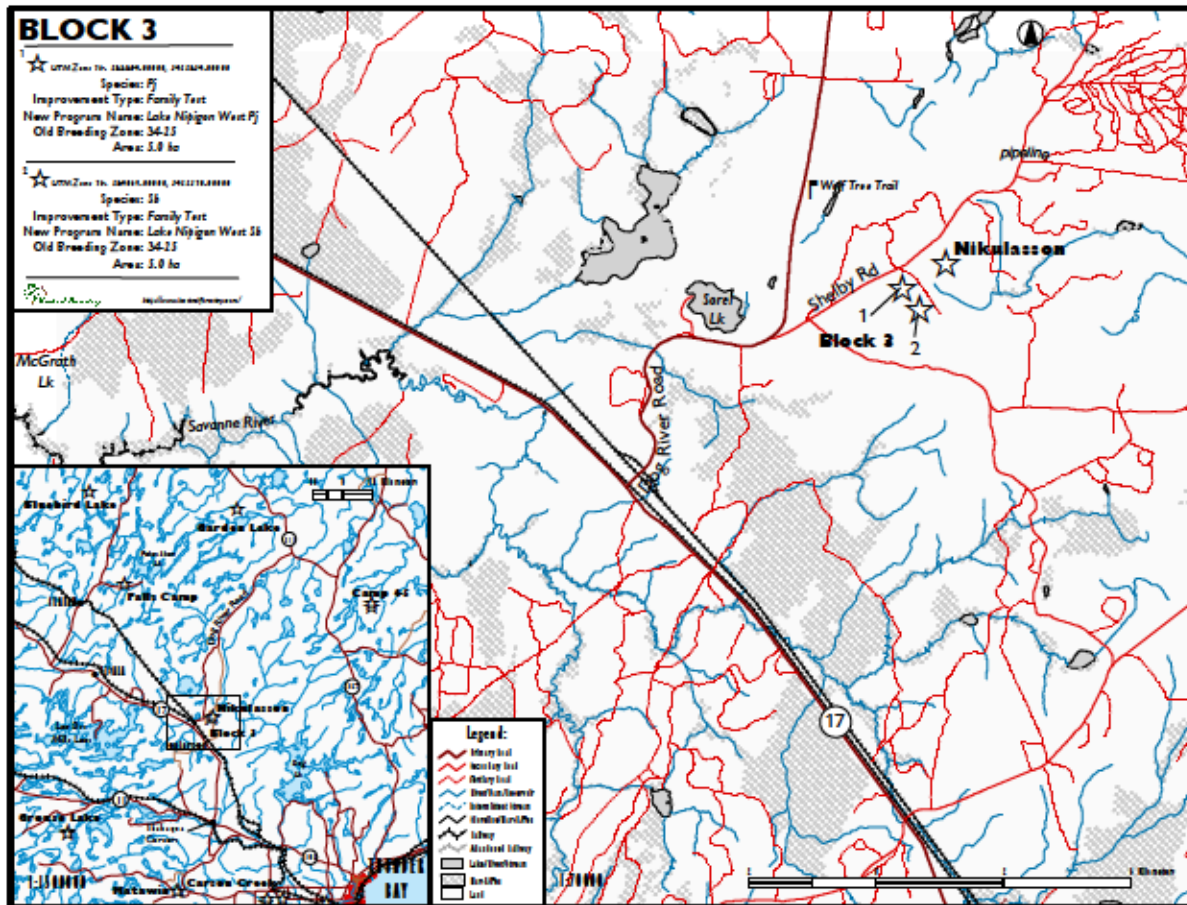


Figure 2: Block #3 Test Site Road Map.

The samples that were collected were 12mm core samples. Collection was done by the use of an increment borer and all samples were collected from the North facing side of the tree. Upon boring samples were placed in protective tubes and labeled with the block, quadrant, row, column and family number. Samples were mounted onto wooden throughs (Figure 3), after which they were cut in half longitudinally. These halves of the sampled cores that were not mounted were then sectioned (Figure 4) and density measured. Five rings starting from the pith and five rings starting from the bark were measured for volume using the water displacement technique (Figure 5) and weight using a 4-point scale. The water displacement technique uses the amount of water displaced

when immersed in the water in grams and due to the weight of water being 1000 kg/m^3 the weight of displaced water in grams also equals the volume of the sample in cm^3 . Therefore, with the weight of the sample and the volume, density can be calculated by mass divided by volume resulting in a g/cm^3 value which can be converted to kg/m^3 by multiplying by 1000. This will provided data used to calculate both juvenile and mature wood density.



Figure 3: Collected sampled mounted to wooden trough and labeled.



Figure 4: Sample sectioned in 5 ring increment from pith.



Figure 5: Volume of sectioned sample measured using water displacement technique.

ANOVA was used to examine the occurrence of significant differences in juvenile and mature wood density between families. For the statistical analysis, SPSS software was used. Average juvenile and mature wood quality for each family was

calculated and used to examine the relationship between breeding values and wood quality using a simple linear regression. A negative correlation is expected, which would indicate that breeding for increased growth has a negative effect on wood quality.

RESULTS

DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

Table 2: Average juvenile and mature wood density per family.

Family	Average Juvenile Density	Average Mature Density	Breeding Value
48	0.5772	0.6143	2
31	0.6119	0.6745	4
285	0.5619	0.5943	10
393	0.5493	0.5787	9
21	0.5953	0.6200	3
185	0.5579	0.6084	246
275	0.6572	0.6932	235
81	0.5871	0.6890	227
205	0.5980	0.6414	239
62	0.5522	0.6187	228

ANOVA RESULTS

In addition to the two regressions run, two additional ANOVA tests were conducted in SPSS. Both ANOVA use a $\alpha = 0.05$ value and are one-way ANOVA's. The null hypothesis for both cases is there is no significant statistical relationship between the variables. In the first case, the independent variable was family, and the dependant variable being wood density. As can be seen in table 3.0, the significance value under the juvenile density category is 0.041. Since this is below the α value of 0.05, there is significant statistical significance. On the contrary, under the mature density category of table 3.0 the significance value is 0.211. Since this is higher than the α value of 0.05,

there is no statistical significance. Additionally, a Bonferroni post hoc test was conducted as can be seen in appendix 1.

Table 3.0: ANOVA for families related to wood density.

		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Juvenile Density	Between Groups	0.044	9	0.005	2.238	0.041
	Within Groups	0.084	38	0.002		
	Total	0.128	47			
Mature Density	Between Groups	0.064	9	0.007	1.429	0.211
	Within Groups	0.189	38	0.005		
	Total	0.252	47			

Next, the second ANOVA test conducted used wood density as the dependant variable, and category as the independent variable. In this situation, a category was assigned to each family, as either “Top” performing families or “Bottom” performing families. In SPSS, a value of “1” was designated for “Top” families and a value of “2” designated for “Bottom” performing families. Under the significance value column for both juvenile and mature density in table 3.1, the values are 0.665 and 0.194, respectively. Since both these values are higher than the α value of 0.05, it can be concluded that there is no statistical significance between the two variables. Therefore, for the first ANOVA the null hypothesis was partially rejected, since the relationship

between juvenile wood density and family proved to be significant be remaining below the α value. However, the null hypothesis was accepted since the significance values proved there is no statistical significance between the variables.

Table 3.1: ANOVA for category related to wood densities.

		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Juvenile Density	Between Groups	0.001	1	0.001	0.190	0.665
	Within Groups	0.127	46	0.003		
	Total	0.128	47			
Mature Density	Between Groups	0.009	1	0.009	1.740	0.194
	Within Groups	0.243	46	0.005		
	Total	0.252	47			

CORRELATION OF BREEDING VALUE TO WOOD QUALITY

As mentioned previously, the measure of wood quality used was wood density, both for mature and juvenile wood. The regression model (Figure 6) for mature wood density against breeding value resulted in an R^2 value of 0.032 (Table 4.0). This result indicates that only 3.2% of the variance in mature wood density can be explained by the assigned breeding value. Furthermore, the regression model (Figure 6.1) for juvenile wood density against breeding value yielded even more surprising results. The R^2 value for juvenile wood against breeding value is 0.003 (Table 4.1). This indicated that only 0.3% of the variance in juvenile wood quality can be explained by the assigned breeding

value. Overall, the regression results indicate that the correlation between the wood quality and the assigned breeding value is low.

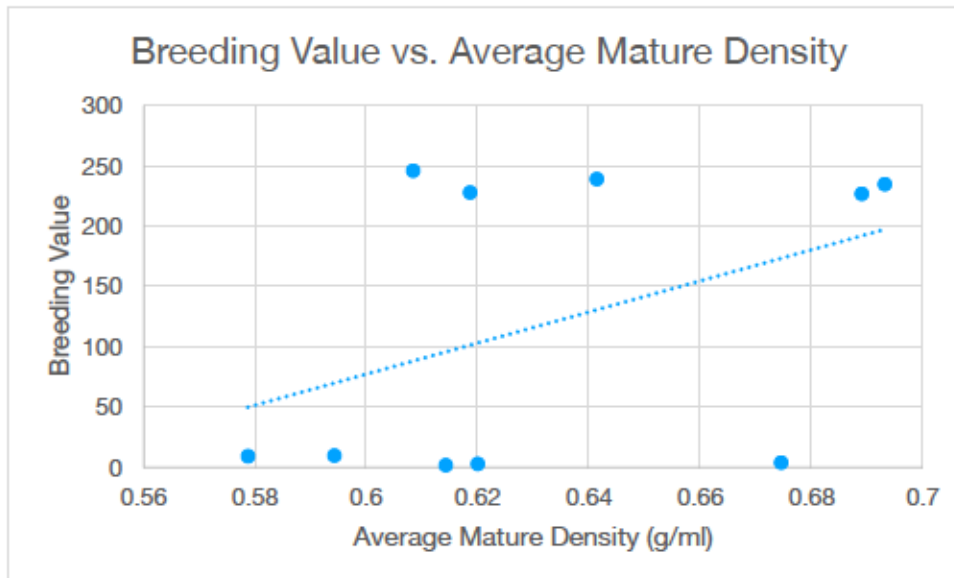


Figure 6.0: Regression of Breeding Value vs. Average Mature Wood Density.

Table 4.0: Regression for mature density against breeding value.

R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
0.180	0.032	0.011	0.0729

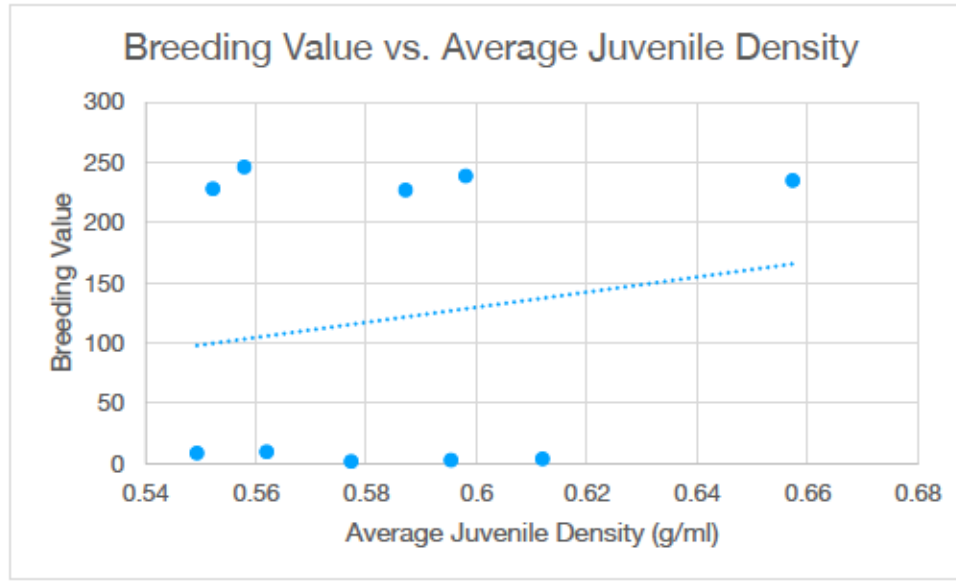


Figure 6.1: Regression of Breeding Value vs. Average Juvenile Wood Density.

Table 4.1: Regression for juvenile density against breeding value.

R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
0.058	0.003	-0.018	0.0526

DISCUSSION

Results from the analysis conducted proved to be much different than originally expected. To explain this unexpected results, multiple factors can be examined. First of all, site conditions throughout the test could have variation. Some trees could have been planted in site conditions that are unfavorable for growth. Some such conditions could include soil moisture, as this can account for a large variability in growth (Hamel 2004).

If this study were to be conducted again, more control over variation would yield different results. In this study, block effects were not controlled for, by including block effects as a predictor in the ANOVA, this could partially explain the non-significant differences in mature

wood density between families. For future studies to yield better results, dividing the block into various areas on a scale from favorable growing conditions to less favorable conditions may elucidate some variation. To properly categorize these block segments, factors such as soils, nutrient availability, topography, and moisture would have to be considered. Also, improving accuracy of assessing average wood quality for families would be a benefit. To do so, an increase in the number of trees sampled would be required.

Furthermore, fundamental aspects that the analysis was based upon are possibly flawed. For this analysis, the previously assigned breeding value was based on height growth. In order for the breeding value to be an accurate representation of the family's progeny, multiple factors should be considered. First of all, mortality is one factor. Some families had higher mortality in the test block than other, which also limited the number of samples that were able to be collected since replicates were dead. Secondly, form is another important characteristic that determines the quality and also the value of the tree (Castle 2018). In the test site, and among the samples, multiple trees had multiple co-dominant stems or tops. Other trees also had poor form such as splits, bows, leans or one-sided canopies. These factors, such as form and diameter, would affect the trees wood quality, and in turn its commercial value (Castle 2018). Overall, for better representation of progeny, and therefore possibly more accurate results, reassessing breeding value to include multiple factors such as height, diameter, mortality and form would be an asset to future analysis.

In other studies, such as one regarding Sitka spruce (*Picea sitchensis*) in British Columbia, it was concluded that wood density was strongly heritable (Kennedy 2013). It was also concluded that wood stiffness and strength have a stronger genetic correlation with density than microfibril angle (Kennedy 2013). Based on these conclusions, selecting for wood stiffness or strength will result in an increase in wood density also. Other heritable factors have been

found to be strongly correlated, such as acoustic velocity and stiffness in radiata pine (*Pinus radiata*) (Lindstrom et al 2002), while slightly less correlated in Scots pine (*Pinus sylvestris*) (Auty and Achim 2008). Selecting for acoustic velocity would also result in increased stiffness, and thus wood density, since stiffness is highly correlated to density. Therefore, many of the components of wood quality, such as stiffness, strength and acoustic velocity, are correlated to wood density in conifers. These traits also possess high heritability. Albeit some traits contain higher correlation to wood density than other, such as microfibril angle, selection based on these traits would evidently result in increased wood density.

CONCLUSION

Based on the results of this study, there is minimal difference in wood quality between families previously designated with high breeding values and those with low breeding values. Since the trial is becoming of maturity, assigned breeding values could be reassessed in order to conduct tests to determine a relationship between breeding value and wood quality. For optimal future forest conditions, to meet both environmental and industry related goals, regeneration efforts are critical. The first step in optimal regeneration is the selection of the most appropriate progeny that would fulfill those goals. Ultimately, tests such as this are important in that they allow the forester to know the future outcome of the forest, based on their choice of planted tree families. In conclusion, based on the results gathered from this analysis, selecting families for regeneration based on breeding value would have a minimal impact of wood quality harvest in the future.

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APPENDICIES

APPENDICIES I: Table of raw data.

Block	Quedrent	Row	Column	Family	Juvenile Weight	Mature Weight	Juvenile Volume	Mature Volume	Juvenile Density	Mature Density	Category	BV
5	1	7	1	285	0.4679	0.2422	0.87	0.475	0.537816092	0.509894737	Top	10
3	2	8	7	185	0.4075	0.2432	0.81	0.459	0.50308642	0.529847495	Bottom	246
4	1	1	1	285	0.2908	0.0934	0.6	0.166	0.484666667	0.562650802	Top	10
10	4	10	3	48	0.2825	0.1348	0.58	0.22	0.487068966	0.612727273	Top	2
8	2	2	4	48	0.2571	0.2603	0.42	0.45	0.612142857	0.578444444	Top	2
3	4	7	4	48	0.2833	0.1525	0.43	0.25	0.658837209	0.61	Top	2
7	3	3	9	48	0.3476	0.2121	0.62	0.35	0.560645161	0.606	Top	2
9	2	9	10	31	0.3144	0.1721	0.45	0.23	0.698666667	0.74826087	Top	4
6	2	4	6	31	0.2953	0.2303	0.5	0.38	0.5906	0.606052632	Top	4
1	4	7	9	31	0.1852	0.1705	0.29	0.28	0.63862069	0.608928571	Top	4
12	1	7	7	31	0.4657	0.1254	0.85	0.18	0.547882353	0.696666667	Top	4
2	3	4	2	31	0.2393	0.2281	0.41	0.32	0.583658537	0.7128125	Top	4
3	1	7	6	285	0.1985	0.1618	0.33	0.24	0.601515152	0.674166667	Top	10
2	2	10	4	285	0.2682	0.1639	0.43	0.26	0.62372093	0.630384615	Top	10
2	1	7	2	393	0.2515	0.201	0.52	0.43	0.483653846	0.46744186	Top	9
2	1	7	2	393	0.2979	0.1918	0.53	0.33	0.562075472	0.581212121	Top	9
4	4	10	4	393	0.2918	0.2467	0.52	0.43	0.561153846	0.57372093	Top	9
8	1	3	9	393	0.3312	0.2158	0.61	0.43	0.54295082	0.501860465	Top	9
5	3	9	2	393	0.2088	0.1154	0.35	0.15	0.596571429	0.769333333	Top	9
9	2	5	5	48	0.2723	0.1993	0.48	0.3	0.567291667	0.664333333	Top	2
2	4	6	4	185	0.2821	0.2365	0.45	0.36	0.626888889	0.656944444	Bottom	246
1	2	2	3	185	0.3747	0.2334	0.67	0.39	0.559253731	0.598461538	Bottom	246
4	3	1	4	185	0.2152	0.2183	0.39	0.36	0.551794872	0.606388889	Bottom	246
6	4	10	1	185	0.2948	0.2121	0.54	0.32	0.545925926	0.6628125	Bottom	246
1	2	2	2	185	0.3642	0.1967	0.65	0.33	0.560307692	0.596060606	Bottom	246
7	1	7	5	275	0.1385	0.0601	0.22	0.07	0.629545455	0.858571429	Bottom	235
8	4	3	9	275	0.2606	0.1399	0.39	0.22	0.668205128	0.635909091	Bottom	235
5	1	10	1	275	0.2421	0.1645	0.37	0.28	0.654324324	0.5975	Bottom	235
3	1	4	2	275	0.1963	0.1658	0.29	0.24	0.676896552	0.690833333	Bottom	235
3	4	1	2	81	0.3937	0.169	0.59	0.24	0.667288136	0.704166667	Bottom	227
11	1	2	8	81	0.2865	0.2521	0.51	0.36	0.561764706	0.700277778	Bottom	227
5	2	10	4	81	0.3587	0.1524	0.63	0.22	0.569365079	0.692727273	Bottom	227
9	2	3	4	81	0.2914	0.0988	0.53	0.15	0.549811321	0.658666667	Bottom	227
2	2	2	6	205	0.2823	0.2313	0.43	0.36	0.656511628	0.6425	Bottom	239
3	1	6	4	205	0.3785	0.2142	0.67	0.35	0.564925373	0.612	Bottom	239
1	3	3	2	205	0.4371	0.3839	0.76	0.54	0.575131579	0.710925926	Bottom	239
4	1	5	10	205	0.2615	0.2052	0.47	0.36	0.556382979	0.57	Bottom	239
5	1	5	2	205	0.2293	0.141	0.36	0.21	0.636944444	0.671428571	Bottom	239
3	4	3	5	21	0.2874	0.2149	0.49	0.34	0.586530612	0.632058824	Top	3
11	1	7	6	21	0.4427	0.2199	0.81	0.43	0.54654321	0.511395349	Top	3
7	3	3	3	21	0.2733	0.1155	0.46	0.19	0.594130435	0.607894737	Top	3
5	1	9	8	21	0.3716	0.1729	0.59	0.28	0.629830508	0.6175	Top	3
9	2	7	1	21	0.2602	0.1316	0.42	0.18	0.61952381	0.731111111	Top	3
10	4	2	1	62	0.487	0.1245	0.92	0.2	0.529347826	0.6225	Bottom	228
8	2	5	5	62	0.2963	0.2652	0.51	0.44	0.580980392	0.602727273	Bottom	228
9	2	7	2	62	0.3441	0.2212	0.59	0.34	0.583220339	0.650588235	Bottom	228
2	3	4	3	62	0.3049	0.1893	0.6	0.34	0.508166667	0.556764706	Bottom	228
7	3	6	3	62	0.3019	0.152	0.54	0.23	0.559074074	0.660869565	Bottom	228

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Dependent Variable		Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	95% Confidence Interval			
					Lower Bound	Upper Bound		
Juvenile Density	21	31	-0.016573934	0.02967	1	-0.12127012	0.088122	
		48	0.018114543	0.02967	1	-0.08658164	0.122811	
		62	0.043153855	0.02967	1	-0.06154233	0.14785	
		81	0.008254405	0.03147	1	-0.10279267	0.119301	
		185	0.03743546	0.028407	1	-0.06280351	0.137674	
		205	-0.002667486	0.02967	1	-0.10736367	0.102029	
		275	-0.06193115	0.03147	1	-0.17297822	0.049116	
		285	0.033382005	0.03147	1	-0.07766507	0.144429	
		393	0.046030633	0.02967	1	-0.05866555	0.150727	
		31	21	0.016573934	0.02967	1	-0.08812225	0.12127
			48	0.034688477	0.02967	1	-0.07000771	0.139385
			62	0.05972779	0.02967	1	-0.0449684	0.164424
			81	0.024828339	0.03147	1	-0.08621874	0.135875
			185	0.054009394	0.028407	1	-0.04622957	0.154248
			205	0.013906449	0.02967	1	-0.09078974	0.118603
		275	-0.045357216	0.03147	1	-0.15640429	0.06569	
		285	0.049955939	0.03147	1	-0.06109114	0.161003	
		393	0.062604567	0.02967	1	-0.04209162	0.167301	
	48	21	-0.018114543	0.02967	1	-0.12281073	0.086582	
		31	-0.034688477	0.02967	1	-0.13938466	0.070008	
		62	0.025039312	0.02967	1	-0.07965687	0.129735	
		81	-0.009860138	0.03147	1	-0.12090721	0.101187	
		185	0.019320917	0.028407	1	-0.08091805	0.11956	
		205	-0.020782029	0.02967	1	-0.12547821	0.083914	
		275	-0.080045693	0.03147	0.7	-0.19109277	0.031001	
		285	0.015267462	0.03147	1	-0.09577961	0.126315	
		393	0.02791609	0.02967	1	-0.0767801	0.132612	
	62	21	-0.043153855	0.02967	1	-0.14785004	0.061542	
		31	-0.05972779	0.02967	1	-0.16442398	0.044968	
		48	-0.025039312	0.02967	1	-0.1297355	0.079657	
		81	-0.034899451	0.03147	1	-0.14594653	0.076148	
		185	-0.005718395	0.028407	1	-0.10595736	0.094521	
		205	-0.045821341	0.02967	1	-0.15051753	0.058875	
		275	-0.105085005	0.03147	0.1	-0.21613208	0.005962	
		285	-0.00977185	0.03147	1	-0.12081892	0.101275	
		393	0.002876777	0.02967	1	-0.10181941	0.107573	
	81	21	-0.008254405	0.03147	1	-0.11930148	0.102793	

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Dependent Variable	Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	95% Confidence Interval	
				Lower Bound	Upper Bound
	31	-0.024828339	0.03147	1	-0.13587541 0.086219
	48	0.009860138	0.03147	1	-0.10118694 0.120907
	62	0.034899451	0.03147	1	-0.07614762 0.145947
	185	0.029181055	0.030282	1	-0.07767404 0.136036
	205	-0.01092189	0.03147	1	-0.12196896 0.100125
	275	-0.070185554	0.033173	1	-0.18723945 0.046868
	285	0.0251276	0.033173	1	-0.09192629 0.142181
	393	0.037776228	0.03147	1	-0.07327085 0.148823
185	21	-0.03743546	0.028407	1	-0.13767443 0.062804
	31	-0.054009394	0.028407	1	-0.15424836 0.04623
	48	-0.019320917	0.028407	1	-0.11955988 0.080918
	62	0.005718395	0.028407	1	-0.09452057 0.105957
	81	-0.029181055	0.030282	1	-0.13603615 0.077674
	205	-0.040102946	0.028407	1	-0.14034191 0.060136
	275	-0.09936661	0.030282	0.1	-0.20622171 0.007488
	285	-0.004053455	0.030282	1	-0.11090855 0.102802
	393	0.008595173	0.028407	1	-0.09164379 0.108834
205	21	0.002667486	0.02967	1	-0.1020287 0.107364
	31	-0.013906449	0.02967	1	-0.11860263 0.09079
	48	0.020782029	0.02967	1	-0.08391416 0.125478
	62	0.045821341	0.02967	1	-0.05887484 0.150518
	81	0.01092189	0.03147	1	-0.10012518 0.121969
	185	0.040102946	0.028407	1	-0.06013602 0.140342
	275	-0.059263664	0.03147	1	-0.17031074 0.051783
	285	0.036049491	0.03147	1	-0.07499758 0.147097
	393	0.048698118	0.02967	1	-0.05599807 0.153394
275	21	0.06193115	0.03147	1	-0.04911592 0.172978
	31	0.045357216	0.03147	1	-0.06568986 0.156404
	48	0.080045693	0.03147	0.7	-0.03100138 0.191093
	62	0.105085005	0.03147	0.1	-0.00596207 0.216132
	81	0.070185554	0.033173	1	-0.04686834 0.187239
	185	0.09936661	0.030282	0.1	-0.00748849 0.206222
	205	0.059263664	0.03147	1	-0.05178341 0.170311
	285	0.095313155	0.033173	0.3	-0.02174074 0.212367
	393	0.107961782	0.03147	0.1	-0.00308529 0.219009
285	21	-0.033382005	0.03147	1	-0.14442908 0.077665
	31	-0.049955939	0.03147	1	-0.16100301 0.061091

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Dependent Variable		Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	95% Confidence Interval			
					Lower Bound	Upper Bound		
Mature Density	48	-0.015267462	0.03147	1	-0.12631454	0.09578		
	62	0.00977185	0.03147	1	-0.10127522	0.120819		
	81	-0.0251276	0.033173	1	-0.14218149	0.091926		
	185	0.004053455	0.030282	1	-0.10280164	0.110909		
	205	-0.036049491	0.03147	1	-0.14709656	0.074998		
	275	-0.095313155	0.033173	0.3	-0.21236705	0.021741		
	393	0.012648628	0.03147	1	-0.09839845	0.123696		
	393	21	-0.046030633	0.02967	1	-0.15072682	0.058666	
		31	-0.062604567	0.02967	1	-0.16730075	0.042092	
		48	-0.02791609	0.02967	1	-0.13261228	0.07678	
		62	-0.002876777	0.02967	1	-0.10757296	0.101819	
		81	-0.037776228	0.03147	1	-0.1488233	0.073271	
		185	-0.008595173	0.028407	1	-0.10883414	0.091644	
		205	-0.048698118	0.02967	1	-0.1533943	0.055998	
		275	-0.107961782	0.03147	0.1	-0.21900886	0.003085	
		285	-0.012648628	0.03147	1	-0.1236957	0.098398	
		21	31	-0.054552244	0.044557	1	-0.21177754	0.102673
			48	0.005690994	0.044557	1	-0.1515343	0.162916
			62	0.001302048	0.044557	1	-0.15592324	0.158527
			81	-0.068967592	0.04726	1	-0.2357302	0.097795
			185	0.011572759	0.04266	1	-0.138959	0.162105
			205	-0.021378895	0.044557	1	-0.17860419	0.135846
			275	-0.073211459	0.04726	1	-0.23997406	0.093551
			285	0.025717849	0.04726	1	-0.14104476	0.19248
			393	0.041278262	0.044557	1	-0.11594703	0.198504
		31	21	0.054552244	0.044557	1	-0.10267305	0.211778
			48	0.060243238	0.044557	1	-0.09698205	0.217469
			62	0.055854292	0.044557	1	-0.101371	0.21308
			81	-0.014415348	0.04726	1	-0.18117795	0.152347
			185	0.066125002	0.04266	1	-0.08440675	0.216657
		205	0.033173348	0.044557	1	-0.12405194	0.190399	
		275	-0.018659215	0.04726	1	-0.18542182	0.148103	
		285	0.080270093	0.04726	1	-0.08649251	0.247033	
		393	0.095830506	0.044557	1	-0.06139479	0.253056	
	48	21	-0.005690994	0.044557	1	-0.16291629	0.151534	
		31	-0.060243238	0.044557	1	-0.21746853	0.096982	
		62	-0.004388946	0.044557	1	-0.16161424	0.152836	

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Dependent Variable		Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	95% Confidence Interval		
					Lower Bound	Upper Bound	
	81	-0.074658586	0.04726	1	-0.24142119	0.092104	
	185	0.005881765	0.04266	1	-0.14464999	0.156414	
	205	-0.027069889	0.044557	1	-0.18429518	0.130155	
	275	-0.078902453	0.04726	1	-0.24566506	0.08786	
	285	0.020026855	0.04726	1	-0.14673575	0.186789	
	393	0.035587268	0.044557	1	-0.12163802	0.192813	
	62	21	-0.001302048	0.044557	1	-0.15852734	0.155923
		31	-0.055854292	0.044557	1	-0.21307958	0.101371
		48	0.004388946	0.044557	1	-0.15283635	0.161614
		81	-0.07026964	0.04726	1	-0.23703225	0.096493
185		0.01027071	0.04266	1	-0.14026105	0.160802	
	205	-0.022680944	0.044557	1	-0.17990624	0.134544	
	275	-0.074513507	0.04726	1	-0.24127611	0.092249	
	285	0.0244158	0.04726	1	-0.1423468	0.191178	
	393	0.039976214	0.044557	1	-0.11724908	0.197202	
	81	21	0.068967592	0.04726	1	-0.09779501	0.23573
		31	0.014415348	0.04726	1	-0.15234726	0.181178
		48	0.074658586	0.04726	1	-0.09210402	0.241421
		62	0.07026964	0.04726	1	-0.09649297	0.237032
		185	0.080540351	0.045476	1	-0.07992704	0.241008
		205	0.047588696	0.04726	1	-0.11917391	0.214351
275		-0.004243867	0.049816	1	-0.18002709	0.171539	
285		0.094685441	0.049816	1	-0.08109778	0.270469	
393		0.110245854	0.04726	1	-0.05651675	0.277008	
185		21	-0.011572759	0.04266	1	-0.16210452	0.138959
		31	-0.066125002	0.04266	1	-0.21665676	0.084407
		48	-0.005881765	0.04266	1	-0.15641352	0.14465
		62	-0.01027071	0.04266	1	-0.16080247	0.140261
		81	-0.080540351	0.045476	1	-0.24100774	0.079927
		205	-0.032951654	0.04266	1	-0.18348341	0.11758
	275	-0.084784218	0.045476	1	-0.24525161	0.075683	
	285	0.01414509	0.045476	1	-0.1463223	0.174612	
	393	0.029705503	0.04266	1	-0.12082625	0.180237	
	205	21	0.021378895	0.044557	1	-0.1358464	0.178604
		31	-0.033173348	0.044557	1	-0.19039864	0.124052
		48	0.027069889	0.044557	1	-0.1301554	0.184295
		62	0.022680944	0.044557	1	-0.13454435	0.179906

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					Lower Bound	Upper Bound
	81	-0.047588696	0.04726	1	-0.2143513	0.119174
	185	0.032951654	0.04266	1	-0.1175801	0.183483
	275	-0.051832564	0.04726	1	-0.21859517	0.11493
	285	0.047096744	0.04726	1	-0.11966586	0.213859
	393	0.062657157	0.044557	1	-0.09456813	0.219882
275	21	0.073211459	0.04726	1	-0.09355115	0.239974
	31	0.018659215	0.04726	1	-0.14810339	0.185422
	48	0.078902453	0.04726	1	-0.08786015	0.245665
	62	0.074513507	0.04726	1	-0.0922491	0.241276
	81	0.004243867	0.049816	1	-0.17153935	0.180027
	185	0.084784218	0.045476	1	-0.07568317	0.245252
	205	0.051832564	0.04726	1	-0.11493004	0.218595
	285	0.098929308	0.049816	1	-0.07685391	0.274713
	393	0.114489721	0.04726	0.9	-0.05227288	0.281252
285	21	-0.025717849	0.04726	1	-0.19248045	0.141045
	31	-0.080270093	0.04726	1	-0.2470327	0.086493
	48	-0.020026855	0.04726	1	-0.18678946	0.146736
	62	-0.0244158	0.04726	1	-0.19117841	0.142347
	81	-0.094685441	0.049816	1	-0.27046866	0.081098
	185	-0.01414509	0.045476	1	-0.17461248	0.146322
	205	-0.047096744	0.04726	1	-0.21385935	0.119666
	275	-0.098929308	0.049816	1	-0.27471253	0.076854
	393	0.015560413	0.04726	1	-0.15120219	0.182323
393	21	-0.041278262	0.044557	1	-0.19850355	0.115947
	31	-0.095830506	0.044557	1	-0.2530558	0.061395
	48	-0.035587268	0.044557	1	-0.19281256	0.121638
	62	-0.039976214	0.044557	1	-0.19720151	0.117249
	81	-0.110245854	0.04726	1	-0.27700846	0.056517
	185	-0.029705503	0.04266	1	-0.18023726	0.120826
	205	-0.062657157	0.044557	1	-0.21988245	0.094568
	275	-0.114489721	0.04726	0.9	-0.28125233	0.052273
	285	-0.015560413	0.04726	1	-0.18232302	0.151202