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Bamboo Production Quantification Methods and Overview

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What Do You Get When
You Cross Bambi With A Ghost?

Applying Forest Inventory Methodology to Bamboo

Yield Components

Yield = f(Genetics, Environment, Age)

Genetics = f(Genotype, Propagation)

Environment = f(Management, Site, Weather)


Management = f(Planting Density, Site Amendment, Weed Control)


Age = f(Rotation Length)

Predict Product Content

Bamboo Products: Food, Fiber, Carbon Sequestration, Etc.

Collaboration with Dr. Davie and Crew:
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Fatout 06/08/2023 4-Culm Sample: Culm Green Weight (GW, lbs.) Prediction

Culm	Sample Data							
	BD in	DBH in	TH ft	BD ²	BD ² TH	DBH ²	DBH ² TH	GW
1"	1.12	0.77	12.7	1.26	16.01	0.59	7.51	2.5
2"	1.95	1.87	25.8	3.81	98.22	3.50	90.38	15.7
3"	2.99	2.31	30.0	8.92	267.53	5.32	159.52	25.0
4"	3.80	2.85	34.0	14.46	491.67	8.12	276.01	37.5

Predicted GWs for 4 Culms by Six Independent Variables							
GW = b0 + b1 x Variable							
GW	BD	DBH	BD ²	DBH ²	BD ² TH	DBH ² TH	
2.5	3.35	0.72	5.66	2.45	6.30	3.88	
15.7	13.72	18.89	11.97	16.06	11.93	14.60	
25.0	26.68	26.04	24.64	24.53	23.53	23.55	
37.5	36.90	35.00	38.39	37.62	38.89	38.62	
b0	-10.71	-11.95	2.53	-0.31	5.21	2.91	
b1	12.52	16.48	2.48	4.67	0.07	0.13	
r ²	0.988	0.969	0.962	0.999	0.950	0.990	
F	646.83	634.18	629.685	654.25	621.70	648.02	

BD=Basal Diameter, DBH=Diameter at 4.5', TH=Culm Height, BD²=BD squared, DBH²=DBH squared, BD²TH=BD squared * TH, DBH²TH=DBH squared * TH

**Fatout 06/08/2023 4-Culm Sample:
Culm Fiber Green Weight (GW, lbs) Prediction,
Moisture Content, and Field Drying**

GW=2.479*BD^2+2.531

Predicted GWs for BDs 1-6"	
BD	GW
1	5.01
2	12.45
3	24.85
4	42.20
5	64.52
6	91.79

**Moisture Content (% DW)
At Felling – 255.8**

**Field Drying (% GW)
1 month – 51.8
2 months – 44.4**

Inventory Goals

Current

Current + Short-term Forecast

Current + Full Rotation

Rotation Length

Fieldwork Options

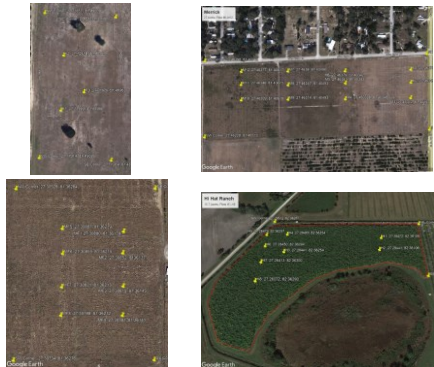
Plot Location: Random, **Systematic**

Plot Shape: Circular, **Square, Rectangular**

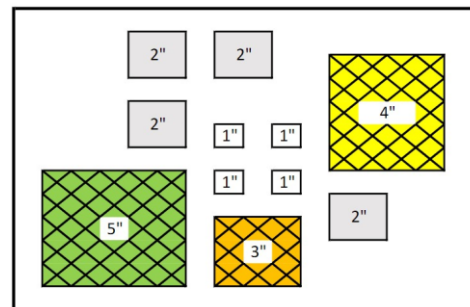
Plot Duration: Temporary, **Permanent**

Sampling Intensity: Fixed, **Precision/Confidence**

**Permanent Plot Locations in Four Farms:
Fatout, Merrick, MFA, Hi Hat**



**Representative Contributions of 11 Culms
(Four 1", Four 2", One 3", One 4", and One 5" Culms)
to Basal Area of One Clump (@1², 2², 3², 4², and 5²)**



Basal Area (sq.ft.) = .005454 x D(in)^2

Inventory Summaries for Four Farms:				
Plot Shape, Size, Configuration, and Numbers of Plots, Clumps and Culms, Area, Coefficients of Variation (CV) for Clumps/Plots and Plots, Sampling Intensity, Achieved Precision, and Number of Plots for 10% Precision				
	Fatout	Merrick	MFA	Hi Hat
Plot Shape	Square	Rectangular	Rectangular	Rectangular
Plot Size	30' x 30'	80' x 8'	80' x 8'	50' x 18'
Plot Configuration	3 rows x 3 clumps	6 rows x 1 clump	6 rows x 1 clump	3 rows x 2 clumps
No. of Plots	3	12	8	8
Total Clumps	27	72	48	48
Total Culms	430+	1,322+	941+	901+
Area (acres)	3	27	10	15.7
CV Clumps/Plots (%)	94-108	30-147	22-71	37-79
CV Plots (%)	16	23	13	18
Sampling Intensity (%)	2.1	0.7	1.2	1.1
Achieved Precision (±%)	38	38	11	15
Plots for 10% Precision	49	68	9	18

Across Farms Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) for Basal Area/Acre			
	df	Mean Square	F
Farms	3	4.098	1.62
Plots(Farm)	27	2.523	1.25
Clumps(Plots(Farms))	154	2.018	
Culms(Clumps(Plots(Farms)))	2891		
Fatout ANOVA for Basal Area/Acre			
Plots	2	5.985	2.91
Clumps(Plots)	18	2.053	3.75**
Culms(Clumps(Plots))	326	.547	
Merrick ANOVA for Basal Area/Acre			
Plots	11	3.711	1.54
Clumps(Plots)	56	2.413	6.30**
Culms(Clumps(Plots))	955	.3829	
Similar ANOVAs for Basal Area/Acre at MFA and Hi Hat			

Inventory Design Guidelines
Plot Location: Systematic
Plot Shape: Square, Rectangular
Clumps/Plot: 6-12
Plot Duration: Permanent
Sampling Intensity: Precision/Confidence; 1-3%