# GxE interactions elucidated by AMMI, BLUP and Non Parametric measures of Wheat genotypes by evaluated in NEPZ

#### **Abstract**

Highly significant effects of environments, GxE interactions and genotypes showed by AMMI analysis with respective contributions 53.2% ,24.9% , 3.5% towards total sum of squares. Interaction Principal Components axes (IPCA) values recommended the general adaptations of the genotype. IPCA-1 scores pointed for G4, G2, G7 while IPCA-2 selected G10, G3, G9 genotypes. Both ASV & ASV1 utilized 46.2% of interaction sum of squares recommended G4, G1, G12 wheat genotypes. Based on 97.8% of interactions sum of squares MASV1 measures identified G7, G3, G5 whereas MASV measure settled for G7, G3, G9. BLUP-based measures HMGV, RPGV and HMRPGV identified G2, G8, G1 genotypes. Non parametric composite measures viz NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(1)</sup> observed suitability of G2, G5, G7 whereas NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(2)</sup>, for G10, G7, G9 while NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(3)</sup> identified G10, G9,G7 genotypes of choice. NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(4)</sup> found suitability of G10, G7, G9 genotypes. Biplot analysis of considered measures had seen about 65.4% of the total variation explained by first two significant Principal Components. NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(2)</sup>, NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(3)</sup>, NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(4)</sup> formed a cluster adjacent to cluster of ASV, ASV1, MASV, MASV1, S<sub>i</sub><sup>7</sup> BLStd, BLCV measures. Small cluster of IPC4, IPC3 placed near to cluster of BLUP based measures. ASV and ASV1 showed moderate to strong positive correlations values while MASV and MASV1 showed moderate strong positive correlation values with S<sub>i</sub><sup>1, </sup>S<sub>i</sub><sup>2, </sup>S<sub>i</sub><sup>3</sup> S<sub>i</sub><sup>4, </sup>S<sub>i</sub><sup>5, </sup>S<sub>i</sub><sup>6, </sup>S<sub>i</sub><sup>7, </sup>NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(1)</sup>, NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(3)</sup>, NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(4)</sup> measures.

**Keywords**: AMMI, BLUP, Non parametric composite measures, Biplot analysis

## Introduction

The bad effects of climate change on wheat production can be mitigated by varieties adapted to vagaries of weather fluctuations complemented by appropriate farming practices. The recommendation of wheat genotypes possessing high yield with stable performance posed a great concern to breeder especially for north eastern plains zone of India where the usage of natural resources and improved technologies has been reported on lower side. Wheat breeder focused more on the development of stable high-yielding varieties particularly to a target environment over the years instead of across environments owing to different varieties in varying climatic conditions (George & Lundy, 2019; Bocianowski et al., 2021). Multi location trials have been conducted to have an estimate of variance due to the genotype-byenvironment (GxE interaction) effect, as this component assist significantly identification of stable genotypes. Literature has been advocated to use of recent approaches in analyzing the stable performance of promising genotypes (Pour-Aboughadareh et al., 2022). Additive main effects and multiplicative interaction (AMMI) has gained much popularity in latest studies as compared to joint regression analysis (Pour-Aboughadareh et al., 2019). Number of AMMI based measures AMMI stability value (ASV, ASV1, MASV & MASV1) has also gained visibility i measures exploiting all significant IPCA's (Sousa et al., 2020). Best linear unbiased prediction (BLUP) based measures, harmonic mean of genotypic values (HMGV), relative performance of genotypic values (RPGV), and harmonic mean of relative performance of genotypic values (HMRPGV), were also highlighted for the stability and adaptability of genotypes (Gonçalves et al., 2020). Besides that number of nonparametric measures  $S_i^1 S_i^2 S_i^3 S_i^4 S_i^5 S_i^6 S_i^7$  along with  $NP_i^{(1)}$ ,  $NP_i^{(2)}$ ,  $NP_i^{(3)}$ ,  $NP_i^{(4)}$  have been also utilized to interpret the response of genotypes to environmental conditions (Pour-Aboughadareh et al., 2019). Recent analytic measures have been compared to decipher the

GxE interactions effects for wheat genotypes evaluated in north eastern plains zone of the country under restricted irrigation sown conditions.

#### **Materials and Methods**

Fourteen promising wheat genotypes were evaluated in research field trials at 14 centers of All India Coordinated Research Project on Wheat across this zone of the country during 2020-21 cropping season in field trials for restricted irrigation conditions. More emphasis had been placed to increase the wheat production of this zone to augment the total cereal production of the country. Field trials were laid out in Randomized block designs with four replications. Recommended practices of packages had followed in total to harvest the good yield. Parentage details and environmental conditions were reflected in table 1 for ready reference. Pour-Aboughadareh *et al.*, 2019 recommended various non parametric and parametric measures for assessing GxE interaction and stability analysis. For a two-way dataset with k genotypes and n environments  $X_{ij}$  denotes the phenotypic value of ith genotype in jth environment where i=1,2,...k, j=1,2,...,n and  $r_{ij}$  as the rank of the ith genotype in the jth environment, and  $\overline{r_i}$  as the mean rank across all environments for the ith genotype. The correction for yield of ith genotype in jth environment as  $(X^*_{ij} = X_{ij} - \overline{x_i} + \overline{x_i})$  as  $X^*_{ij}$ , was the corrected phenotypic value;  $\overline{X_i}$  was the mean of ith genotype in all environments and  $\overline{X_i}$  was the grand mean.

$$S_{i}^{(1)} = \frac{S_{i}^{(1)}}{2\sum_{j'=j+1}^{n} |r_{ij} - r_{ij'}|}{[n(n-1)]} \qquad S_{i}^{(7)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} (r_{ij} - \bar{r}_{i})^{2}}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |r_{ij} - \bar{r}_{i}|} \qquad S_{i}^{(3)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} (r_{ij} - \bar{r}_{i})^{2}}{\bar{r}_{i.}}$$

$$S_{i}^{(4)} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} (r_{ij} - \bar{r}_{i})^{2}}{n}} \qquad S_{i}^{(5)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |r_{ij} - \bar{r}_{i}|}{n} \qquad S_{i}^{(6)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |r_{ij} - \bar{r}_{i}|}{\bar{r}_{i.}}$$

$$S_{i}^{(2)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} (r_{ij} - \bar{r}_{i'})^{2}}{(n-1)} \qquad \bar{r}_{i} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} r_{ij}.$$

Non parametric composite measures  $NP_i^{(1)}$ ,  $NP_i^{(2)}$ ,  $NP_i^{(3)}$  and  $NP_i^{(4)}$  based on the ranks of genotypes as per yield and corrected yield of genotypes. In the formulas,  $r^*_{ij}$  was the rank of  $X^*_{ij}$ , and  $\overline{\tau}_l$  and  $M_{di}$  were the mean and median ranks for original (unadjusted) grain yield, where  $\overline{\tau}_l^*$  and  $M^*_{di}$  were the same parameters computed from the corrected (adjusted) data.

$$NP_{i}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |r_{ij}^{*} - M_{di}^{*}|$$

$$NP_{i}^{(3)} = \frac{\sqrt{\sum (r_{ij}^{*} - \bar{r}_{i.}^{*})^{2}/n}}{\bar{r}_{i.}}$$

$$NP_{i}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |r_{ij}^{*} - M_{di}^{*}|}{M_{di}} \right)$$

$$NP_{i}^{(4)} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j'=j+1}^{m} \frac{|r_{ij}^{*} - r_{ij'}^{*}|}{\bar{r}_{i.}} \right]$$

ASV 
$$ASV = \left[ \left( \frac{SSIPC \ 1}{SSIPC \ 2} PCI \right)^2 + (PC2)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$
ASV1 
$$ASV1 = \left[ \frac{SSIPC \ 1}{SSIPC \ 2} (PCI)^2 + (PC2)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$MASV = \sqrt{\sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \frac{SSIPC_n}{SSIPC_{n+1}}} (PC_n)^2 + (PC_{n+1})^2$$

MASV1

MASV1 = 
$$\sqrt{\sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (\frac{SSIPC_n}{SSIPC_{n+1}} PC_n)^2 + (PC_{n+1})^2}$$

HMGV<sub>i</sub>

= Number of environments / 
$$\sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{1}{GV_{ij}}$$

 $GV_{ij}$  genetic value of ith genotype in jth environments

Relative performance of genotypic values across environments

$$RPGV_{ij} = \sum GV_{ij} / \sum GV_{j}$$

Harmonic mean of Relative performance of genotypic values

HMRPGV<sub>i.</sub> = Number of environments /  $\sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{1}{RPGV_{ij}}$ 

Geometric Adaptability Index

$$GAI = \sqrt[n]{\prod_{k=1}^{n} \overline{X}_{k}}$$

AMMISOFT version 1.0 software utilized for AMMI analysis of data sets and SAS software version 9.3 for further analysis

#### **Results and Discussion**

### **AMMI** analysis

Highly significant variations due to environments, GxE interactions, and genotypes were observed by AMMI analysis (Table 2). This analysis also revealed about 53.2% of the total sum square of variation for yield was due to environments followed by GxE interactions, 24.9% whereas genotypes accounted only 3.5%. Diversity of the testing sites were approved by AMMI analysis (Mehraban et al., 2019). Seven Interaction principal components accounted for more than 92.9% interactions sum of square variations. AMMI1 explained a total variation of 27.3%, followed by 18.9% for AMMI2, 15.3% for AMMI3, 10.4% for AMMI4, AMMI5 contributed 10.1% followed by 7.2% and 3.7% by AMMI6, AMMI7 respectively. The first two AMMI components in total showed 46.2% of the total variation indicating the two AMMI components well fit and confirm the use of AMMI model (Pour-Aboughadareh et al., 2022). Estimated sums of squares for G×E signal and noise were 83.46% and 16.54% of total G×E. Early IPCs selectively capture signal, and late ones noise. Accordingly, this much signal suggests AMMI6 or maybe AMMI7. Note that the sum of squares for GE-signal is 5.97 times that for genotypes main effects. Hence, narrow adaptations are important for this dataset (Vaezi et al 2018). Even just IPC1 alone is 1.95 times the genotypes main effects. Also note that GE-noise is 1.18 times the genotypes effects.

Discarding noise improves accuracy, increases repeatability, simplifies conclusions, and accelerates progress.

## Ranking of genotypes as per measures

Since the genotypes yield expressed highly significant variations, mean yield was considered as an important measure to assess the yield potential of genotypes. Mean yield of genotypes selected G3, G2, G1 with lowest yield of G10 (Table 3). This measure is simple, but not fully exploiting all information contained in the dataset. Values of IPCA's in the AMMI analysis indicate stability or adaptability of genotypes. The, greater the IPCA scores reflect the specific adaptation of genotype to certain locations. While, the values approximate to zero were recommended for in general adaptations of the genotype. Absolute IPCA-1 scores pointed for G4, G2, G7 as per IPCA-2, G10, G3, G9 genotypes would be of choice. Values of IPCA-3 favored G7, G11, G2 genotypes. As per IPCA-4, G1, G5, G3 genotypes would be of stable performance. Genotypes G2, G14, G5 selected as per IPCA5 while values of IPCA6 pointed for G7, G9, G1 and finally IPCA7 observed suitability of G3, G8, G12. First two IPCAs in ASV & ASV1 measures utilized 46.2% of G×E interaction sum of squares. The two IPCAs have different values and meanings and the ASV and ASV1 parameters using the Pythagoras theorem and to get estimated values between IPCA1 and IPCA2 scores to produce a balanced measure between the two IPCA scores. Also, ASV parameter of this investigation used advantages of cross validation due to computation from first two IPCAs (Silva et al., 2019). Using first two IPCAs in stability analysis could benefits dynamic concept of stability in identification of the stable high yielder genotypes. ASV1 measures recommended (G4, G1, G12) and ASV pointed towards (G4, G1, G12) as of stable performance. Adaptability measures MASV and MASV1considered all seven significant IPCAs of the AMMI analysis using 97.8% of GxE interactions sum of squares (Gerrano et al., 2020). Values of MASV1 identified G7, G3, G5 genotypes would express stable yield whereas genotypes G7, G3, G9 be of stable yield performance by MASV measure respectively. Major advantages of BLUP based measures are to account for the random nature of the genotype behaviour in changes climatic conditions. At the same time allow ranking genotypes in relation to their performance based on the genetic effects (Sousa et al., 2020). Average yield of genotypes pointed towards, G3, G2, G1 as high yielders. More over the values of BLGM favored G3, G2, G1. Consistent yield of G7, G1, G10 as per least values of standard deviation more over the values of CV identified G7, G1, G10, genotypes for the consistent yield performance for NEPZ zone of the country. The BLUP-based simultaneous selections, such as HMGV identified G2, G1, G8, while values of RPGV favored G2, G8, G1 and HMRPGV settled for G2, G8, G1 genotypes. The evaluation of adaptability and stability of wheat genotypes through these BLUP-based indices was reported by Pour-Aboughadareh et al., 2019. The estimates of HMGV, RPGV, and HMRPGV had the same genotype ranking that was reported Anuradha et al., 2022.

# Non parametric measures

These measures consider the ranks of genotypes as per their corrected yield across environments  $S_i^1$  values pointed for G7, G2, G5 while  $S_i^2$  selected G7, G2, G4 and values of  $S_i^3$  favoured G7, G4, G6 as desirable genotypes (Table 4). G7, G2, G6 selected by values of  $S_i^4$  & measure  $S_i^5$  pointed towards G 2, G7, G8while  $S_i^6$  observed suitability of G5, G7, G4 and lastly  $S_i^7$  values identified G7, G6, G4 genotypes (Table 4). The mentioned strategy

determines the stability of genotype over environment if its rank is similar over other environments (biological concept). Nonparametric measures of phenotypic stability were associated with the biological concept of stability (Vaezi *et al.*, 2018). Non parametric composite measures NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(1)</sup> to NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(4)</sup>, consider the ranks of genotypes as per their yield and corrected yield across environments simultaneously. NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(1)</sup> measure observed suitability of G2, G5, G7 whereas as per NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(2)</sup>, genotypes G10, G7, G9 would be of choice while NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(3)</sup> identified G10, G9,G7. Last composite measure NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(4)</sup> found G10, G7, G9 as genotypes of choice for this zone.

## **Biplot analysis**

The first two significant PC's has explained about 65.4% of the total variation in the AMMI, BLUP and non parametric measures considered for this study (Table 5) with respective contributions of 35.4% & 29.9% by first and second principal components respectively (Ahakpaz *et al.*, 2021). Measures S<sub>i</sub><sup>1</sup>, S<sub>i</sub><sup>2</sup>, S<sub>i</sub><sup>4</sup>, S<sub>i</sub><sup>3</sup>, NP<sub>i</sub> (1), S<sub>i</sub><sup>6</sup>, ASV, ASV1, IPC7 accounted more of share in PC1 whereas RPGV HMRPGV, HMGV, BLAvg, BLGM, NP<sub>i</sub> (4) contributed more in PC2. The association analysis among measures had been explored with the biplot analysis. In the biplot vectors of measures expressed acute angles would be positively correlated whereas those achieved obtuse or straight line angles would be negatively correlated. Independent type of relationships had expressed by right angles between vectors. Very tight positive relationships observed between with ASV, ASV1, MASV, MASV1, S<sub>i</sub><sup>7</sup>, BLStd, BLCV. Measure NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(2)</sup>, NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(3)</sup>, NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(4)</sup> expressed moderate degree of positive relationship with IPC1, and mean yield Measures and maintained positive relationship with IPC5, IPC2, IPC6. BLUP based measures RPGV, HMGV and HMRPGV expressed positive association IPC4, IPC3. Set of measures  $S_i^{\ 1}$  to  $S_i^{\ 7}$  clubbed with  $\ NP_i^{(1)}$ expressed no relationship with BLUP based measures (Fig. 1). Measures  $NP_i^{(2)}$ ,  $NP_i^{(3)}$ ,  $NP_i^{(4)}$ formed a cluster adjacent to cluster of ASV, ASV1, MASV, MASV1, S<sub>i</sub><sup>7</sup> BLStd, BLCV measures as observed in same quadrant of biplot analysis. Small cluster of IPC4, IPC3 placed near to cluster of BLUP based measures. These two were placed in separate quadrant. Measures S<sub>i</sub><sup>1</sup> to S<sub>i</sub><sup>6</sup> clustered along with NP<sub>i</sub><sup>(1)</sup> exhibited close proximity with last cluster of IPC5, IPC2, IPC6 measures(Fig. 2).

## **Association analysis**

Average yield had expressed direct and indirect relationships with measures (Table 6). Notably positive with IPC2, IPC5, IPC7, BLAvg, BLGM, HMGV, RPGV, HMRPGV, NPi<sup>(1)</sup> and negative with NPi<sup>(2)</sup>, NPi<sup>(3)</sup>, NPi<sup>(4)</sup>. AMMI based measures ASV & ASV1 showed moderate to strong positive correlations with measures (Anuradha et al., 2022). Measures considered all significant IPC's showed moderate strong positive correlation values (Si<sup>1</sup>, Si<sup>2</sup>, Si<sup>3</sup>, Si<sup>4</sup>, Si<sup>5</sup>, Si<sup>6</sup>, Si<sup>7</sup>, NPi<sup>(1)</sup>, NPi<sup>(2)</sup>, NPi<sup>(3)</sup>, NPi<sup>(4)</sup>) along with few very weak negative values also. BLUP based measures expressed weak relation with other measures whereas strong to moderate negative correlations with non parametric measures (NPi<sup>(2)</sup>, NPi<sup>(3)</sup>, NPi<sup>(4)</sup>). Si<sup>8</sup> exhibited only moderate to strong positive values with other measures with only weak negative values with IPC4 (Pour-Aboughadareh et al., 2022). Lastly composite non parametric measures expressed both type of relationships with other measures. Mostly positive values expressed by NPi<sup>(1)</sup> contrasting to few of negative values by NPi<sup>(2)</sup> NPi<sup>(3)</sup>, NPi<sup>(4)</sup>, NPi<sup>(4)</sup>

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Table 1: Parentage and location details under multi environmental trials of wheat genotypes

Genotype Code Parentage	Code	Locations	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude
HI1653 G1 NADI/COPIO//NADI	E 1	Kanpur	26° 26' N	80° 19' E	126
DBW322 G 2 CIMMYT165/PBW585	E 2	Prayagraj			
HI1612 G 3 KAUZ//ALTAR84/AOS/3/MILAN/KAUZ/4/HUITES	E 3	Araul	26° 54'N	80° 01'E	139
DBW252 G 4 PFAU/MILAN/5/CHEN/AE.SQ(TAUS)//BCN/3/VEE#7/BOW/4/PASTO	OR E 4	Ghaghraghat	26° 54' N	81° 56'E	100
DBW321 G 5 DBW39/DL7882	E 5	Ayodhya			
HD3368 G 6 HD2932/HD3086	E 6	Varanasi	25° 19' N	82° 59' E	81
HI1654 G 7 NADI/COPIO//NADI	E 7	Sabour	25°23' N	87°04' E	46
HD3293 G 8 HD2967/DBW46	E 8	RPCAU- Pusa	25°98' N	25°67 E	52
WH1281 G 9 TACUPETOF2001/BRAMLING/5/NAC/TH.AC//3*PVN/3/MIRLO	E 9	Kalyani	22° 58' N	88° 26'E	11
PBW848 G 10 CROC_1AE.SQ(224)//OPATA/3/PASTOR/4/2*SOKOLL/3/ PASTOR//HXL7573/2*BAU	E 10	Burdwan	23° 13' N	87° 51' E	30
HD3171 G 11 PBW343/HD2879	E 11	Manikchak			
HD3369 G 12 HD3070/HD3078	E 12	Ranchi	23° 20'N	85° 18'E	644
K1317 G 13 K0307/K9162	E 13	Chianki	24° 01' N	84° 10'E	241
UP3062 G 14 QLD28/PBW621	E 14	Shillongani	26° 8' N	91° 43' E	86

Table 2: AMMI analysis of wheat genotypes evaluated in fourteen environments

Source	Degree of	Mean Sum of	Significance	% contribution	GxE interaction	Cumulative Sum of Squares
	freedom	Squares	level	of factors	Sum of Squares (%)	(%) by IPCA's
Treatments	195	169.80471	***	81.64		
Genotype (G)	13	108.59454	***	3.48		
Environment ( I	E) 13	1661.11543	***	53.24		
GxE interaction	169	59.79698	***	24.92		
II	PC1 25	110.20486	***		27.26	27.26
II	PC2 23	83.20295	***		18.94	46.20
II	PC3 21	73.48065	***		15.27	61.47
II	PC4 19	55.33978	***		10.40	71.87
II	PC5 17	60.41301	***		10.16	82.04
II	PC6 15	48.3638	***		7.18	89.22
II	PC7 13	28.95611	***		3.72	92.94
Residual	36	19.81786	***			
Error	588	12.66188				
Total	783	51.79707				

Table 3: AMMI along with BLUP based measures of yield for wheat genotypes

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Code	Mean	IPC1	IPC2	IPC3	IPC4	IPC5	IPC6	IPC7	MASV1	MASV	ASV1	ASV	BLAvg	BLStdev	BLCV	BLGM	BLHM
G 1	35.69	0.691	-2.628	1.825	-0.046	0.228	0.307	-0.349	5.45	5.01	2.81	2.76	35.59	5.38	15.12	35.21	34.83
G 2	36.01	0.051	-0.859	0.066	-0.375	-0.040	-2.053	0.275	4.70	4.68	0.86	0.86	35.87	5.65	15.87	35.42	34.93
G 3	36.19	1.630	0.530	0.795	-0.105	-0.626	-0.644	-0.020	3.37	2.99	2.41	2.03	35.96	7.04	19.79	35.28	34.55
G 4	35.59	0.016	0.765	-0.830	2.510	0.408	0.572	1.525	4.51	4.44	0.77	0.77	35.34	6.67	18.75	34.72	34.08
G 5	35.22	1.674	-0.156	-1.811	0.084	-0.213	-0.399	0.611	4.18	3.66	2.42	2.01	35.29	6.73	18.92	34.69	34.09
G 6	35.33	-1.023	0.856	1.439	0.684	-0.962	1.878	-0.262	5.56	5.30	1.70	1.50	35.08	6.48	18.21	34.49	33.87
G 7	34.21	0.061	-1.554	0.015	0.571	0.868	0.024	0.443	3.04	2.84	1.56	1.56	34.36	4.29	12.04	34.10	33.83
G 8	35.68	0.824	-1.138	-1.138	-0.691	-2.427	0.809	-0.086	5.52	5.03	1.64	1.51	35.71	5.69	16.00	35.28	34.83
G 9	32.74	-1.316	0.579	-0.872	-1.498	1.548	-0.032	0.409	4.31	3.94	1.98	1.68	33.01	5.59	15.71	32.53	32.01
G 10	31.37	-0.930	0.004	0.153	-2.098	0.768	1.268	0.828	4.53	4.44	1.34	1.12	31.88	5.51	15.49	31.42	30.96
G 11	33.97	-0.594	2.328	0.064	-0.709	-1.430	-0.854	-0.171	5.01	4.70	2.48	2.43	34.00	7.88	22.15	33.06	32.06
G 12	34.35	-0.542	0.884	2.269	0.549	0.313	-1.070	0.143	5.01	4.60	1.18	1.10	34.21	6.85	19.24	33.54	32.85
G 13	35.66	2.484	1.263	-0.512	0.115	1.631	0.634	-1.789	5.55	4.96	3.79	3.24	35.44	7.56	21.25	34.58	33.61
G 14	33.65	-3.026	-0.874	-1.463	1.010	-0.065	-0.439	-1.558	5.75	5.05	4.44	3.73	33.94	5.88	16.53	33.48	33.05

Table 4: Non parametric measures of yield for wheat genotypes

Code	S <sub>i</sub> <sup>1</sup>	S <sub>i</sub> <sup>2,</sup>	$S_i^3$	$S_i^4$	$S_i^5$	$S_i^6$	$S_i^7$	NP <sub>i</sub> (1)	NP <sub>i</sub> (2)	NP <sub>i</sub> (3)	NP <sub>i</sub> (4)	PRVG	MHPRVG
G 1	5.341	21.143	2.902	4.598	3.898	7.490	5.037	4.000	0.644	1.022	0.859	1.033	1.022
G 2	4.264	13.670	1.914	3.697	2.898	5.680	4.380	3.077	0.538	0.739	0.746	1.036	1.031
G 3	4.714	16.374	1.976	4.046	3.388	5.724	4.488	3.538	0.576	0.736	0.767	1.032	1.027
G 4	4.527	14.995	1.891	3.872	3.214	5.676	4.332	3.462	0.510	0.596	0.667	1.016	1.011
G 5	4.516	17.302	2.144	4.160	3.194	5.540	5.030	3.154	0.417	0.489	0.597	1.015	1.010
G 6	4.462	14.995	1.891	3.872	3.224	5.694	4.318	3.308	0.482	0.553	0.651	1.009	1.003
G 7	4.176	13.192	1.759	3.632	3.000	5.600	4.083	3.154	0.374	0.404	0.495	0.997	0.993
G 8	4.714	17.478	2.376	4.181	3.163	6.019	5.131	3.308	0.520	0.597	0.742	1.035	1.024

G 9	4.725	16.264	2.148	4.033	3.286	6.075	4.596	3.538	0.390	0.403	0.521	0.953	0.945
G 10	4.835	18.225	2.630	4.269	3.776	7.629	4.482	3.769	0.354	0.371	0.454	0.921	0.913
G 11	5.000	19.451	2.670	4.410	3.796	7.294	4.758	4.000	0.505	0.519	0.631	0.971	0.958
G 12	4.626	16.132	2.353	4.016	3.306	6.750	4.531	3.538	0.472	0.446	0.617	0.982	0.975
G 13	5.396	21.962	2.928	4.686	4.143	7.733	4.922	4.231	0.604	0.852	0.771	1.017	1.001
G 14	5.319	21.324	2.898	4.618	4.071	7.748	4.863	4.385	0.520	0.543	0.631	0.983	0.971

Table 5: Loadings of AMMI, BLUP and non parametric measures

Measure	PC1	PC2	Measure	PC1	PC2
Mean	0.001	-0.330	BLHM	0.039	-0.321
IPC1	-0.005	-0.203	PRVG	0.004	-0.332
IPC2	-0.022	0.089	MHPRVG	0.035	-0.330
IPC3	0.009	-0.036	$S_i^{\ 1}$	-0.299	0.029
IPC4	0.023	-0.154	$\mathbf{S_{i}}^{2}$ ,	-0.299	0.032
IPC5	-0.004	0.121	$S_i^3$	-0.286	0.073
IPC6	-0.032	0.060	$S_i^4$	-0.297	0.035
IPC7	0.243	0.048	$S_i^5$	-0.285	0.087
MASV1	-0.212	-0.028	$S_i^{\ 6}$	-0.261	0.132
MASV	-0.174	-0.021	$\mathbf{S_i}^7$	-0.217	-0.067
ASV1	-0.254	-0.002	NP <sub>i</sub> (1)	-0.280	0.088
ASV	-0.259	-0.013	$NP_i^{(2)}$	-0.181	-0.245
BLAvg	0.000	-0.332	NP <sub>i</sub> (3)	-0.153	-0.245
BLStdev	-0.125	-0.053	NP <sub>i</sub> (4)	-0.134	-0.284
BLCV	-0.125	-0.053			
BLGM	0.019	-0.331	65.36	35.48	29.87

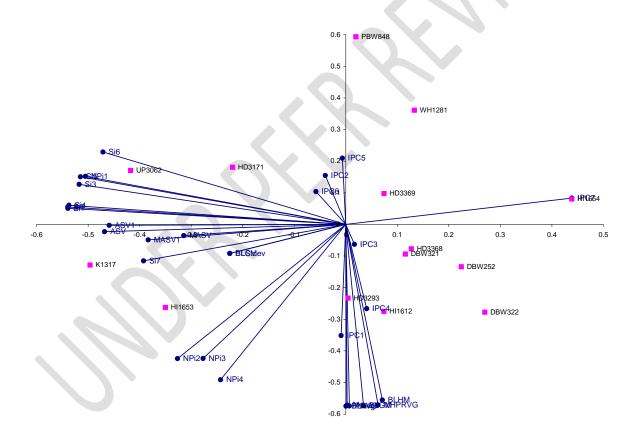


Figure 1: Biplot analysis of AMMI, BLUP and non parametric measures

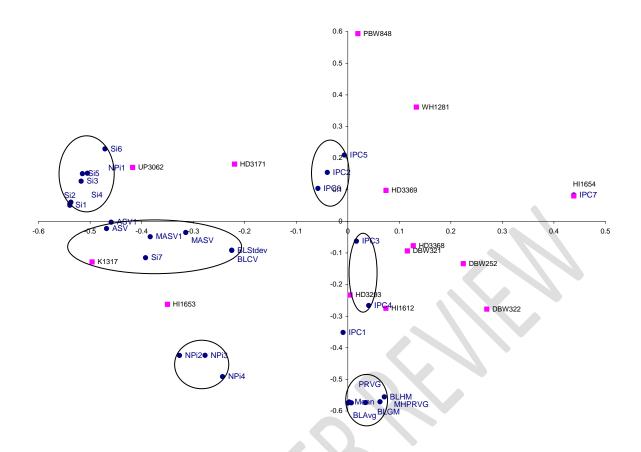


Figure 2: Clustering pattern of AMMI, BLUP and non parametric measures

Table 6: Spearman rank Correlation analysis among measures of wheat genotypes

Mean	NP <sub>i</sub> (4)	NP <sub>i</sub> (3)	NP <sub>i</sub> (2)	$NP_i^{(1)}$	$S_i^7$	$S_i^{\ 6}$	$S_i^5$	$S_i^4$	S <sub>i</sub> <sup>3</sup>	$S_i^{2,}$	/G S <sub>i</sub> <sup>1</sup>	MHPR	PRVG	BLHM	BLGM			BLAvg			MASV		IPC7	IPC6	IPC5	IPC4	IPC3	IPC2	IPC1	-
PC1	-0.668	-0.681	-0.637	0.433	-0.042	0.433	0.380	0.303	0.323	0.303	0.297	0.974	0.952	0.930	0.971	0.022	0.022	0.987	0.196	0.200	-0.077	0.075	0.503	0.268	0.554	-0.088	-0.022	0.459	-0.240	Mean
PC2	0.567																												0.2.0	
FPC	-0.031	-0.101	-0.040	0.503	-0.081					0.268			0.600	0.613	0.523	0.791				0.204	0.253	0.352		-0.062	0.070	0.224	0.299			IPC2
PCS   0.52   0.664   -0.09   -0.246   0.004   0.079   0.553   -0.305   0.495   0.510   0.497   0.514   0.189   0.059   0.145   0.059   0.054   0.033   -0.189   0.039   0.045   0.024   0.02	0.367	0.314	0.345	0.541	-0.149	0.567	0.576	0.240	0.347	0.240	0.325	0.101	0.136	0.167	0.121	0.143	0.143	0.101	0.185	0.185	0.369	0.473	-0.092	0.007	0.182	0.231				IPC3
PPC	0.275	0.301	0.191	-0.022	-0.255	-0.171	0.035	-0.121	-0.193	-0.121	-0.215	-0.158	-0.092	-0.141	-0.138	0.253	0.253	-0.062	0.018	0.035	0.202	0.253	0.268	0.222	0.235					IPC4
PRC7	-0.222													0.510										0.152						
MASVI 0.976 0.374 0.264 0.149 0.270 0.270 0.130 0.066 0.031 0.105 0.475 0.538 0.607 0.538 0.475 0.624 0.404 0.448 0.481 0.495 0.485	0.015																						0.220							
MASV 0.345 0.26 0.007 0.198 0.198 0.198 0.198 0.198 0.198 0.101 0.112 0.143 0.059 0.407 0.479 0.525 0.479 0.371 0.512 0.363 0.349 0.523 0.558 ASV1 0.404 0.365 0.365 0.237 0.182 0.200 0.204 0.701 0.701 0.701 0.684 0.701 0.705 0.664 0.701 0.705 0.664 0.701 0.705 0.662 0.530 0.675 0.630 0.431 0.367 BLAvg 0.404 0.4	-0.220																					-0.189								
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BLGM BLHM 0.976 0.980 0.998 0.374 0.336 0.374 0.336 0.374 0.336 0.374 0.336 0.374 0.336 0.571 0.536 0.079 0.549 0.613 0.684 0.987 0.987 0.988 0.389 0.312 0.349 0.312 0.349 0.312 0.543 0.552 0.143 0.596 0.685 0.687 0.988 0.389 0	0.257															1.000														
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$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	-0.620	-0.681	-0.585	0.596	-0.143	0.552	0.543	0.312	0.349	0.312	0.389	0.978	0.987																	BLHM
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	-0.664	-0.712	-0.637	0.534	-0.147	0.468	0.490	0.281	0.297	0.281	0.319	0.978																		PRVG
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	-0.646	-0.686	-0.607	0.560	-0.055	0.547		0.352		0.352	0.393																			
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	0.369	0.299	0.440	0.930	0.684	0.899	0.899	0.932	0.934	0.932																				$S_i^1$
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	0.376	0.345	0.442	0.822	0.804	0.809	0.840	1.000	0.945																					$S_i^{2}$
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0.877 0.437 0.437 0.530 0.237	0.312	0.237	0.356	0.969	0.437	0.877																								$S_i^5$
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NP <sub>1</sub> (5)	0.987	0.774												_																