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Calculation of United Quality Latent Indices of *Deschampsia antarctica* plants adaptability of different origin grown *in vitro*

Abstract. The research was to develop and describe in detail the algorithm for calculating the United Quality Latent Index (UQLI, I^q_i) of plant adaptability from the collection of *Deschampsia antarctica* E. Desv. genotypes obtained from seeds collected at different sites in the Argentine Islands region, the maritime Antarctic, and grown *in vitro* at the laboratory conditions. Genome size and genetic distances by ISSR and IRAP markers according to data from published articles were used as basic indices of initial genetic heterogeneity for analyzed plant genotypes. To assess individual adaptability indices for eleven *D. antarctica* genotypes, we used measurement of the leaf length morphometric index and determination of the flavonoids content by rutin and the content of photosynthetic pigments. The spectra of reserve and protective proteins in leaves were investigated by polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis. To obtain the United Quality Latent Index of Adaptability (I^q_i , UQLI), the method of extreme grouping was used. The estimation of I^q_i (UQLI) was performed using pairwise comparisons of indices from differences sets for each pair of genotypes. We developed and described in detail the algorithm for I^q_i estimation for eleven *D. antarctica* genotypes. As an example of application, correlation models of probability relations of the indices are presented. To evaluate the complex adaptability for eleven *D. antarctica* genotypes grown *in vitro* we used developed algorithm for the UQLI calculation. The individuality of the adaptive portrait for all studied genotypes under *in vitro* cultivation conditions was shown. The influence of basic genetic characteristics (genome size and genetic distances) on auxin metabolism-related indices of leaf length and flavonoid content was shown. Such effect may be carried out by genetic characteristics both individually and together, probably via auxin metabolism. Among the eight genotypes researched, we distinguish four different variants by correlation models and two (positive and negative) by the general I^q_i value. Thus the I^q_i (UQLI) is proposed to describe a large number of source data at different organization levels which characterize sample genotypes by reducing the dimensions to one dimensionless number. This genotypes' individuality and the peculiarities of their grouping by I^q_i should be taken into account when doing experimental studies using these genotypes as model plants, especially in experiments studying the regulation of productivity and the effect of the various exogenous factors, etc.

Keywords: *Deschampsia antarctica*, *in vitro* plant culture, the United Quality Latent Index of plant adaptability, probabilistic relation correlation models of different indices

1 Introduction

Plants, while adapting to adverse external conditions, have developed a number of adaptation mechanisms at the levels of molecular, cellular, and physiological responses, such as stress protein production, increased antioxidant synthesis, and accumulation of compatible solutes (Kreps et al., 2002; Iordachescu & Imai, 2008; Gill & Tuteja, 2010; Lee et al., 2012). To take into account biodiversity and sometimes different directionality of adaptation mechanisms, the application of methods of their complex consideration within the integral index proved to be an urgent task.

In previous work, we have developed a methodology for assessing a complex index of adaptability based on individual adaptation indices to environmental conditions sets (Miryuta et al., 2019a; 2019b). We used the vascular plant *Deschampsia antarctica* Ė. Desv., 1854, which lives in one of the most extreme regions of the Earth — the Antarctic, because this plant species was able to adapt to various abiotic stressors through a plant reactions-coordinated response (Shinozaki et al., 2003; Nakashima et al., 2009; Lee et al., 2012). The results obtained in the previous articles demonstrate the individuality of the United Quality Latent Index (UQLI, I^q) of adaptability of *D. antarctica* of plants from different sites in the Argentine Islands region, the maritime Antarctic. Also, calculation algorithms of the United Quality Latent Indices of adaptability (UQLI) of plants to natural conditions and United Temperature Influence Index (UTII) on the soil surface in the plant's habitats on the adaptability of plants were described along with their application (Miryuta et al., 2019a; 2019b). The results obtained in the previous articles demonstrate the individuality of the United Quality Latent Index (UQLI, I^q) of adaptability of *D. antarctica* of plants from the Galindez Island, Argentine Islands, the maritime Antarctic.

But there is another task, to follow how the long-term conditions in different regions have influenced their accumulated in nature adaptive capacity to preservation. This is more interesting because genetic studies of this species have shown a fairly low genetic heterogeneity (Andreev et al., 2010; Volkov et al., 2010;

Navrotska et al., 2017). The results of our previous studies of individual *D. antarctica* plants' adaptability of different origins are presented in (Miryuta et al., 2016; 2017; Parnikoza et al., 2017).

That's why in our current paper, we are going to describe in detail the algorithm for calculation of the UQLI (I^q) of adaptability for each plant from seeds collected in different regions of maritime Antarctic under the same germination conditions and cultivation *in vitro* (each plant was germinated from a single seed). The aim of this study is to elucidate the relationship between basic genetic characteristics of plants: genome size (2C nuclear DNA values), number of chromosomes, heterogeneity by ISSR (Inter Simple Sequence Repeats) and IRAP (Inter Retrotransposone Amplified Polymorphism) markers and some indices of adaptability for genotypes with different chromosome numbers.

According to Tchuraev's hypothesis (Tchuraev, 2006a), the genetic changes acquired through external conditions are saved in dynamic hereditary memory. Therefore, in this research, we tried to find out what *D. antarctica*'s basic genetic characteristics characterize it under natural conditions that can be stored in the dynamic hereditary memory of each genotype. Dynamic hereditary memory is a way of saving information, which, unlike structural memory (when information is recorded in the spatial structure of biopolymers), is provided by circulating signals in a cyclic system of elements (Tchuraev, 2006a; 2006b). Hereinafter, the term 'genotype' will be understood as a genes and epigenes sets' characteristic for a plant obtained from a single seed and then cultivated *in vitro*.

Our selected adaptability indices were: leaf length, flavonoid content, and photosynthetic pigments content are related by auxin metabolism. In particular, flavonoids are such signaling molecules in auxin metabolism, which is responsible for plant growth. The growth rates of plants and their organs are controlled especially by auxin (indolyl-3-acetic acid — IAA), and flavonoids, coumarins and oxybenzoic acids are regulators of auxin metabolism. Quercetin, apigenin and kaempferol also interact with the NPA receptor in the plasma membrane of the plant cell and block the polar transport of auxin (Makarenko & Levitsky, 2013).

It is known from the literature that there is an interdependence between the production of phenolic compounds and morphometric parameters (Lambers et al., 2008). In particular, the length of the leaves is regulated by auxins, and the synthesis of auxins in the plant in response to ultraviolet light is regulated by flavonoids. In particular, luteolin is a synergist of auxin IAA (indolyl-3-acetic acid), and leaf growth is stimulated as a result of their co-production. Another flavonoid, apigenin, inhibits the synthesis of IAA (indolyl-3-acetic acid) because it is a cofactor of IAA oxidase and, accordingly, an antagonist of IAA (Makarenko & Levitsky, 2013). Due to apigenin's action, the plant leaves become shorter (Grotewold, 2006). Because protective proteins can promote the synthesis of adaptive compounds like flavonoids and phenols (Van Loon, 2009; Shalygo et al., 2012), we studied such an index as the relative content of protective proteins in different fractions in the leaves (Miryuta et al., 2017).

It should be noted that we compare adaptive parameters indices data sets considered in the m-formalism systems (the products of primary (proteins) and secondary (flavonoids) metabolism), which are system state variables (Tchuraev, 2006a) and the data sets in the L-formalism systems (the formation of a leaves system) that are system structure variables (Zu-

baierova et al., 2012). For example, the state of each cell in the tissue can be characterized by the expression level of a set of particular genes. These indices will be each cell and tissue states variable. An example of a dynamic system is the description by means of these variables of tissue which functions in time and changes its state under the influence of external and/or internal reasons. Let us represent tissue as a system whose structure is determined by a cell-subsystems set between which there are certain connections (signal flows between neighboring cells). As a result of cell growth and division, the structure of the tissue changes, the environment of the cells changes, and accordingly, the signal flows between them change (Zubairova et al., 2012; 2014).

The way we have chosen to search for the basic genetic characteristics' influence on adaptive indices of different hierarchy levels is through creating correlation models visualized in probabilistic relationships graphs. Such models allow characterizing the heterogeneity of the studied genotypes, which should be taken into account in further studies.

2 Materials and methods

General characteristics of *D. antarctica* plants source data sets *in vitro* have been presented below. The ex-

Table 1. The populations' localization where the seeds have been collected for the experimental plants (genotypes) production, genome size (Gs_i), and flavonoids content (Fl_i) in *Deschampsia antarctica* plants grown *in vitro* (Parnikoza et al., 2017)

i	Genotype	Localization, seed collection season	Gs _i , pg	Fl _i , mg/g
1	G/D4-1	Galindez Island, -65.248600°, -64.238217°, 2012/13	11.01 ± 0.03	2.92 ± 0.70
2	G/D12-2a	Galindez Island, -65.247417°, -64.252600°, 2006/07	10.84 ± 0.09	2.8 ± 0.61
3	G/D12-1	Galindez Island, -65.247417°, -64.252600°, 2013/14	11.02 ± 0.06	3.86 ± 0.70
4	Y62	Great Yalour Island (our name for the biggest of Yalour Islands), -65.233983°, -64.162683°, 2004/05	10.85 ± 0.10	1.62 ± 0.40
5	Y66	Great Yalour Island, -65.233983°, -64.162683°, 2004/05	16.74 ± 0.07	2.23 ± 0.23
6	Y67	Great Yalour Island, -65.233983°, -64.162683°, 2004/05	10.79 ± 0.07	2.64 ± 0.53
7	S22	Skua Island, Finger Point, -65.254933°, -64.274017°, 2007/08	10.94 ± 0.04	3.74 ± 0.60
8	R35	Rasmussen Point, -65.246983°, -64.085933°, 2004/05	10.77 ± 0.02	2.72 ± 0.44
9	W1	Winter Island, -65.247517°, -64.258033°, 2013/14	10.91 ± 0.04	2.23 ± 0.28
10	DAR12	Darboux Island, -65.395117°, -64.215083°, 2006/07	10.86 ± 0.04	1.22 ± 0.15
11	L59	Lahille Island, -65.553641°, -64.394930°, 2009/10	11.01 ± 0.12	4.67 ± 0.30

perimental plants were grown *in vitro* as described in (Zahrychuk et al., 2011–2012).

We used the following data sets in our work:

G_s were the genome size, where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ (in this case $n = 11$) and the values corresponding to the number of the studied genotypes G/D4-1, G/D12-2a, G/D12-1, Y62, Y66, Y67, S22, R35, W1, DAR12, L59 (Table 1) in this series of data and others (Parnikoza et al., 2017). Genome size (2C value of nuclear DNA) for each genotype of *D. antarctica* was calculated based on the method of flow cytometry (Bai et al., 2012);

Ph_i were morphometric parameter leaf length where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ (in this case $n = 11$) and the values corresponding to the number of the studied genotypes (Table 1). Ph_i sets data used in our work have been obtained by methods described in (Parnikoza et al., 2015);

Fl_i were flavonoid content values in leaves (Table 1) (Poronnik et al., 2017; Ermakov, 1987). The leaf length and flavonoid content in leaves that are connected with auxin metabolism we will call auxin metabolism-related indices (Makarenko & Levitsky, 2013; Zubairova et al., 2012; 2014);

Pr_{ik} were the relative content values of protective and basic (RuBisCO) proteins in the leaves, where $k = 1, 2, \dots, 6$ (the number of the corresponding protein by size in kDa to: 66–67 is large hs-protein-chaperone (Pr_{i1}), 45 is RuBisCO (small subunit)) (Pr_{i2}), 36 is one of the antifreeze proteins (in *Secale cereale* L., 1753) (Pr_{i3}); 24 is one of the chaperones *Triticum aestivum*, L., 1753 (Pr_{i4}); 20–22 is one of the antifreeze proteins of *D. antarctica* (Pr_{i5}); 14 is small hs-protein, dehydrin (Pr_{i6}). Pr_{ik} data sets were obtained by methods described in (Miryuta et al., 2016; 2017; Scion Image <http://scion-image.software.informer.com/4.0/>);

ΔGlg_i were data on genetic distances. Data were taken from the article (Navrotska et al., 2017) and obtained according to Jacquard method between plants of different *D. antarctica* genotypes, calculated by the results of ISSR and IRAP analysis (Navrotska et al., 2017), $i = 4, 5, \dots, n$ ($n = 11$);

Pg_{ij} were the content of photosynthetic pigments, where $j = 1, 2, 3$ where pigment number corresponds to $j = 1$ is chlorophyll A (ChlA), $j = 2$ is chlorophyll B (ChlB), $j = 3$ is carotenoids (Car) (Poronnik et al., 2019).

The data sets for G_s , Fl_i , and ΔGlg_i are shown in Tables 1 and 2 correspondingly, for Ph_i , Pr_{ik} , Pg_{ij} , are shown in Figures 1–3.

Variability of plants based on molecular markers was studied by PCR analysis with ISSR and IRAP primers. In total, 63 amplicons were obtained for the investigated samples, among which 22 (34.2%) were polymorphic (Table 2) (Navrotska et al., 2017).

3 Results and discussion

This work is a continuation of the works series devoted to algorithms described for calculating in detail the United Quality Latent Index (UQLI, I^o) of plant adaptability to the environment on Argentine Islands, maritime Antarctic (Miryuta et al., 2019a; 2019b). In our study, all environmental factors were anonymous (latent), not measured. At the same time, we used as a basis the thesis that we considered the existing organism as adapted to these factors. Thus, we investigated the finish of such adaptation results based on signs that were available for measurement. Of course, this approach is simplified and does not consider a detailed study of all mechanisms. Still, it is used in classical applied statistics (Ayvazyan et al., 1989; Bauman & Moskalenko, 2008), so the name United Quality Latent Indices of the plant adaptability actually means a complex adaptability index based on the measured parameters (Miryuta et al., 2019a). In the second work of this series, we investigated the temperature influence on each of the measured indices of plants, calculating the United Temperature on the soil surface Influence Index (UTII) on the population plants and calculating the contribution of UTII to UQLI (Miryuta et al., 2019b). The algorithms calculation of the UQLI of plants adaptability to natural conditions and UTII on the soil surface in places of population growth on the plants' adaptability and contribution UTII to UQLI were described in these works.

Turning to the study of *D. antarctica* plants in the laboratory, which is associated with the difficulty of plant material delivery from the Argentine Islands, we rely on the following hypothesis. According to Tchuraev's hypothesis, the existence of epigenes and functional hereditary memory makes it possible to imple-

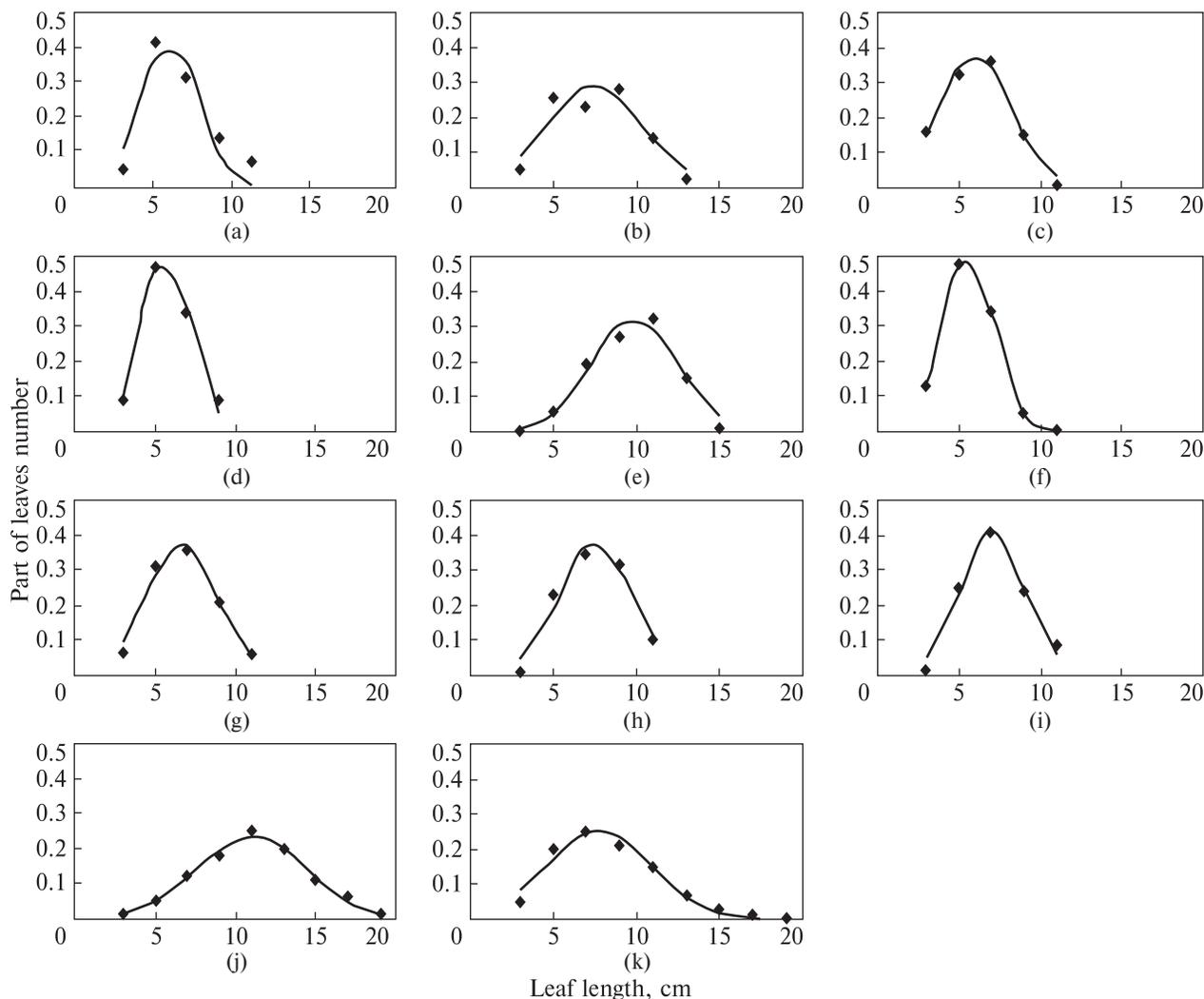


Figure 1. Density functions (Gaussian models) based on leaf length (horizontally, cm) of *Deschampsia antarctica* plants of different genotypes cultivated *in vitro*: ((a) – G/D4-1, (b) – G/D12-2a, (c) – G/D12-1) plants from Galindez Island, ((d) – Y62, (e) – Y66, (f) – Y67) plants from Great Yalour Island, ((g) – S22, (h) – R35, (i) – W1, (j) – DAR12, (k) – L59) plants from Skua Island, Rasmussen Point, Winter, Darboux, and Lahille Islands, respectively. Vertically: part of leaves number (by Navrotska et al., 2017)

ment a non-Darwinian evolutionary strategy when relatively unsuccessful moves in the hereditary memory of individuals are not ‘forgotten’, and the corresponding subroutines remain off in functional hereditary memory without reflection in ontogenesis (Tchuraev, 2006a).

The dependence of plants on both growth micro-environment conditions and the weather conditions of the study season becomes irrelevant in the laboratory, but it is assumed that information is saved in the

dynamic hereditary memory of seeds both about the influence of growth microconditions and weather conditions of the season of seed ripening. In this study, we aimed to test the extent to which the origin of seeds affects the uniqueness of the realization of the hereditary information of genotypes derived from it and cultured in the laboratory.

This work deals with describing in detail the algorithm for calculating the UQLI (I^q) of plants adapt-

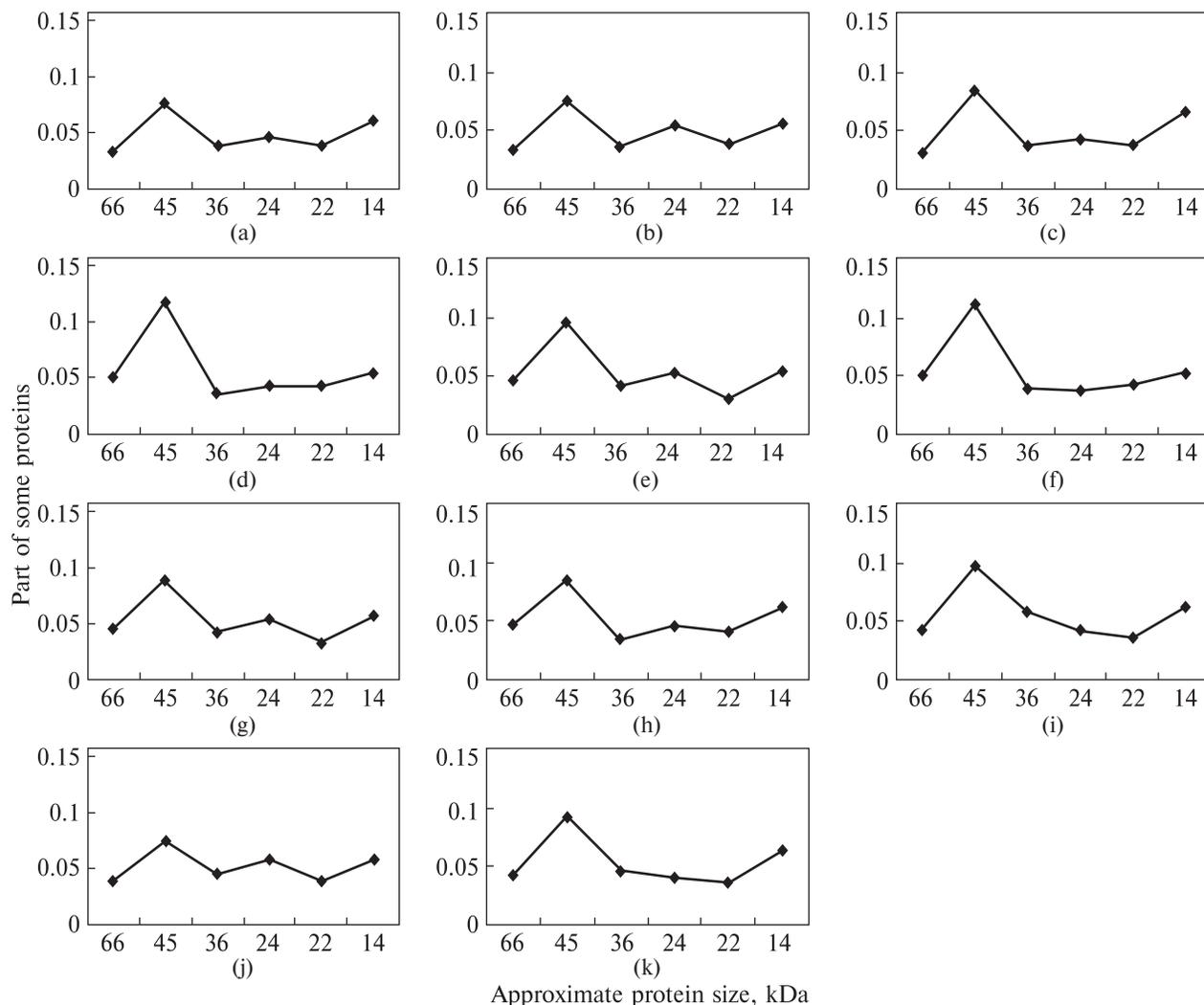


Figure 2. The values of the different protein fractions parts (proportions) in the leaves of *Deschampsia antarctica* plants under cultivation *in vitro*. The studied genotypes were: (a) – G/D4-1, (b) – G/D12-2a, (c) – G/D12-1, (d) – Y62, (e) – Y66, (f) – Y67, (g) – S22, (h) – R35, (i) – W1, (j) – DAR12, (k) – L59. The sizes of proteins in kDa were presented: 66–67 is a large hs-protein-chaperone; 45 – RuBisCO (small subunit); 36 – one of the antifreeze proteins (in *Secale cereale* L., 1753); 24 – one of the chaperones of *Triticum aestivum* L. 1753; 20–22 – one of the antifreeze proteins of *Deschampsia antarctica*; 14 – small hs-protein, dehydrin

ability from seeds collected in different regions of the maritime Antarctic under the same germination conditions and cultivation *in vitro*. The aim of this study is to find the relationship between the genome size and genetic distances integral indices, and some adaptability indices.

D. antarctica plants obtained from seeds from different populations can store specific information in

the dynamic hereditary memory embedded under the process of adaptation of plants to unique natural conditions under *in vitro* cultivation (Tchuraev, 2006a). In such case, most likely, the UQLI and its components will be highly individual. Dynamic hereditary memory is a way to store information which, unlike structural memory (when information is written in the linear and spatial structure of biopolymers), is provided by

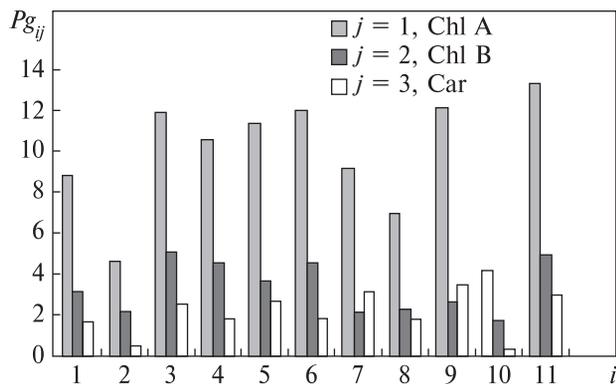


Figure 3. Average values of the photosynthetic pigments content (Pg_{ij}) in the leaves of *Deschampsia antarctica* plants under cultivation *in vitro*, where $j = 1, 2, 3$ pigment number corresponds to chlorophyll A (ChlA), chlorophyll B (ChlB), carotenoids (Car) (Poronnik et al., 2019). The studied genotypes by i were: 1 – G/D4-1, 2 – G/D12-2a, 3 – G/D12-1, 4 – Y62, 5 – Y66, 6 – Y67, 7 – S22, 8 – R35, 9 – W1, 10 – DAR12, 11 – L59

circulating signals in a cyclic system of elements. An example would be cyclic gene systems that have at least two functional states and can maintain each state both throughout the cell’s existence and during successive cell divisions. Due to the difference between structural and dynamic heredity in addition to the term ‘gene’ (meaning a unit of transcription and transmitted to offspring by the primary DNA sequence), the term ‘epigene’ was introduced for part of hereditary information that is stored and passed on to offspring out of DNA molecules structure. An epi-

genome is a hereditary unit with at least two functioning modes of its subordinate genes and can store each of the modes in a successive generations series (Tchuraev, 2006a).

Hereinafter, the term ‘genotype’ will be understood as genes and epigenes sets which characterize a plant obtained from a single seed followed by its cloning *in vitro*. Applying this conception in the UQLI calculation, it is particularly interesting to analyze the components of this integrated index, which shows the probability of positive (difference of indices in phase) or negative (difference of indices in antiphase) relationship between the studied indices with different hierarchical levels.

In further studies, it will be possible to influence different genotypes of plants by varying biotic and abiotic factors and to investigate how UQLI components change.

The advantage of *D. antarctica* plants studies under cultivation *in vitro* is the ability to expand the range of studied characteristics. This circumstance makes it possible to investigate a larger number of probabilistic relationships between different parameters (UQLI components). However, the same circumstance complicates the graphical representation of the studied material. Therefore, we present a graphical version of the algorithm for determining UQLI for the simplest case, which consists of three measured characteristics: genome size (G_s), leaf length (in the form of leaf length distributions) (Ph), and

Table 2. Genetic distances (ΔG_{ij}) by Jacquard between plants of different *Deschampsia antarctica* genotypes (Navrotska et al., 2017)

Genotype name	Y62	Y66	Y67	S22	R35	W1	DAR12	L59
Y62	0	0.0476	0.0484	0.0484	0.0476	0.1290	0.0806	0.0645
Y66	0.0476	0	0.0641	0.0645	0.0323	0.1452	0.0968	0.0806
Y67	0.0484	0.0641	0	0.0968	0.0645	0.1475	0.0983	0.0500
S22	0.0484	0.0645	0.0968	0	0.0952	0.0847	0.0984	0.1129
R35	0.0476	0.0323	0.0645	0.0952	0	0.1746	0.1270	0.0806
W1	0.1290	0.1452	0.1475	0.0847	0.1746	0	0.1803	0.1639
DAR12	0.0806	0.0968	0.0983	0.0984	0.1270	0.1803	0	0.1148
L59	0.0645	0.0806	0.0500	0.1129	0.0806	0.1639	0.1148	0

the total flavonoid content in the leaves (Fl_i) (Fig. 4). In the example below, the relative content of protective and basic proteins in the leaves (Pr_{ik}), genetic heterogeneity in the form of genetic distances between eight genotypes (ΔGlg_i), photosynthetic pigments (Pg_{ij}) were added in turn.

An algorithm for determining *D. antarctica* plants genotypes' UQLI under cultivation *in vitro* based on the experimental material published in the series of articles (Miryuta et al., 2016; 2017) was developed. An example of the algorithm for three indices is presented in Figure 4. A group of 11 genotypes was selected for the research; the list and coordinates of sites of origin are presented in Table 1.

We would consider the graph shown in Figure 4 step by step.

1. *Source data sets.* Examples of data sets are partially presented in Tables 1 and 2 (Gs_i , Fl_i , ΔGlg_i) and Figures 1–3 (Ph_i , Pr_{ik} , and Pg_{ij}).

2. *Spatial pairwise comparison of the source data sets (by i).* Pairwise spatial differences in the modulus for Gs_i , Fl_i , Pr_{ik} , and Pg_{ij} data sets have been found. The test value for pairwise comparison of distributions for the data set Ph_i has been found by the Mood median test. This nonparametric test was a variation of the χ^2 test, which allows estimating intra-group differences for two genotypes without assessing the normal distribution of genotype indices (Pollard, 1982; Corder & Foreman, 2014). The table included the values of criterion statistics (which is proportional to the distance between the medians), which exceeded the value of the table value 3.84 by χ^2 test (Pollard, 1982). The resulting sets of pairwise spatial comparisons were denoted by ΔGlg_i , ΔGs_i , ΔFl_i , ΔPr_{ik} , and ΔPg_{ij} . Examples of such comparisons are presented in Tables 2–4.

3. *Extreme grouping of points in pairwise spatial differences indices sets pairs.* To reduce the dimensions of the studied space values described by indices, the number of which is gradually increasing, the method of extreme grouping of points in pairs indices sets of characteristics pairs differences for cultivated *in vitro* plant genotypes have been used (Ayvazyan et al., 1989; Bauman & Moskalenko, 2008).

In contrast to plants in populations that exist under natural conditions, a set of genotypes from differ-

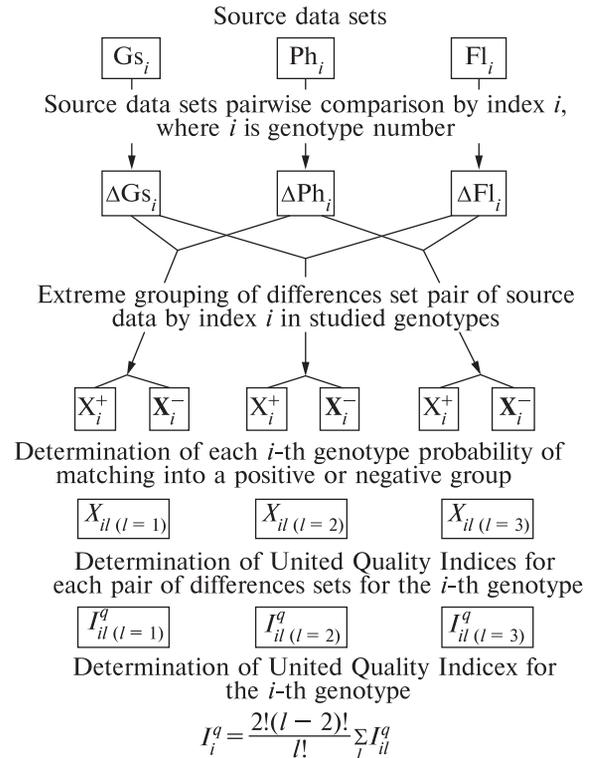


Figure 4. The simplest example of an algorithm for calculating UQLI for plant genotypes from seeds of different populations under cultivation *in vitro*

ent natural habitats cultivated *in vitro* have adaptability indices that reflect the properties acquired by plants and recorded in dynamic hereditary memory as one of the options that can be implemented. Adaptability indices of such plants under growing conditions *in vitro* were also described indirectly but reflect one from the many options that were implemented under the created conditions in contrast to plants under natural conditions when they were influenced by a range of changing environment indices. That's why the results were not easy to interpret. First, sets of pairwise comparisons of all studied genotypes were grouped by three sets pairs of adaptability indices: $\Delta Ph_i - |\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| - |\Delta Gs_i|$, $\Delta Ph_i - |\Delta Fl_i|$. Second, when we considered four adaptability indices sets the grouping was performed by six adaptability indices pairs: $|\Delta Gs_i|$ versus $|\Delta Ph_i|$, $|\Delta Gs_i|$ versus $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$, $|\Delta Gs_i|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Ph_i|$ versus $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Ph_i|$ or $|\Delta Gs_i|$ versus $|\Delta Ph_i|$, $|\Delta Gs_i| - |\Delta Glg_i|$, $|\Delta Gs_i| - |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Ph_i| - |\Delta Glg_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| - |\Delta Glg_i|$,

Table 3. The differences (by value i) of genome size (ΔG_s) and relative content of protective and main proteins in leaves (ΔPr_{ik})

Δi	$ \Delta(G_s)_i $	$ \Delta Pr_{ik} , \text{kDa}$					
		66–67 ($k = 1$)	45 ($k = 2$)	36 ($k = 3$)	24 ($k = 4$)	22 ($k = 5$)	14 ($k = 6$)
G/D4-1–G/D12-2a	0.170	0.0	0.0	0.002	0.008	0.008	0.004
G/D4-1–G/D12-1	0.010	0.002	0.008	0.001	0.007	0.003	0.003
G/D4-1–Y62	0.160	0.017	0.041	0.002	0.004	0.002	0.005
G/D4-1–Y66	5.730	0.013	0.020	0.003	0.005	0.001	0.002
G/D4-1–Y67	0.220	0.018	0.036	0.000	0.001	0.006	0.011
G/D4-1–S22	0.070	0.012	0.013	0.004	0.016	0.012	0.002
G/D4-1–R35	0.240	0.014	0.009	0.003	0.001	0.003	0.002
G/D4-1–W1	0.100	0.009	0.021	0.020	0.010	0.003	0.002
G/D4-1–DAR12	0.150	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.009	0.003	0.005
G/D4-1–L59	0.000	0.010	0.017	0.008	0.009	0.000	0.003
G/D12-2A–G/D12-1	0.180	0.002	0.008	0.001	0.012	0.002	0.007
G/D12-2A–Y62	0.010	0.017	0.041	0.000	0.015	0.002	0.008
G/D12-2A–Y66	5.900	0.013	0.020	0.005	0.012	0.001	0.010
G/D12-2A–Y67	0.050	0.018	0.036	0.002	0.008	0.001	0.005
G/D12-2A–S22	0.100	0.012	0.013	0.006	0.013	0.005	0.001
G/D12-2A–R35	0.070	0.014	0.009	0.001	0.018	0.004	0.003
G/D12-2A–W1	0.070	0.009	0.021	0.022	0.009	0.001	0.008
DAR12–G/D12-2a	0.020	0.005	0.001	0.009	0.006	0.008	0.004
G/D12-2A–L59	0.170	0.010	0.017	0.010	0.007	0.011	0.006
G/D12-1–Y62	0.170	0.019	0.033	0.001	0.001	0.007	0.008
G/D12-1–Y66	5.720	0.015	0.012	0.004	0.010	0.006	0.008
G/D12-1–Y67	0.230	0.020	0.028	0.001	0.006	0.006	0.010
G/D12-1–S22	0.080	0.014	0.005	0.005	0.011	0.003	0.006
G/D12-1–R35	0.250	0.016	0.001	0.002	0.003	0.005	0.002
G/D12-1–W1	0.110	0.011	0.013	0.021	0.003	0.000	0.001
G/D12-1–DAR12	0.160	0.007	0.009	0.008	0.016	0.002	0.004
G/D12-1–L59	0.010	0.012	0.009	0.009	0.004	0.003	0.002
Y62–Y66	5.890	0.004	0.021	0.005	0.013	0.006	0.009
Y62–Y67	0.060	0.001	0.005	0.002	0.003	0.006	0.011
Y62–S22	0.090	0.005	0.028	0.006	0.014	0.003	0.007
Y62–R35	0.080	0.003	0.032	0.001	0.006	0.005	0.003
Y62–W1	0.060	0.008	0.020	0.022	0.000	0.001	0.003
Y62–DAR12	0.010	0.012	0.042	0.009	0.019	0.002	0.005
Y62–L59	0.160	0.007	0.024	0.010	0.003	0.001	0.002
Y66–Y67	5.950	0.005	0.016	0.003	0.006	0.009	0.006
Y66–S22	5.800	0.001	0.007	0.001	0.011	0.004	0.009
Y66–R35	5.970	0.001	0.011	0.006	0.003	0.004	0.005

End of Table 3

Δi	$ \Delta(Gs_i) $	$ \Delta Pr_{ik} $, kDa					
		66–67 ($k = 1$)	45 ($k = 2$)	36 ($k = 3$)	24 ($k = 4$)	22 ($k = 5$)	14 ($k = 6$)
Y66–W1	5.830	0.004	0.001	0.017	0.010	0.003	0.008
Y66–DAR12	5.880	0.008	0.021	0.004	0.016	0.001	0.007
Y66–L59	5.730	0.003	0.003	0.005	0.006	0.005	0.013
Y67–S22	0.150	0.006	0.023	0.004	0.007	0.006	0.004
Y67–R35	0.020	0.004	0.027	0.003	0.001	0.002	0.000
Y67–W1	0.120	0.009	0.015	0.020	0.002	0.007	0.009
Y67–DAR12	0.070	0.013	0.037	0.007	0.012	0.001	0.002
Y67–L59	0.220	0.008	0.019	0.008	0.005	0.004	0.006
S22–R35	0.170	0.002	0.004	0.007	0.004	0.002	0.006
S22–W1	0.030	0.003	0.008	0.016	0.010	0.007	0.011
S22–DAR12	0.080	0.007	0.014	0.003	0.017	0.005	0.004
S22–L59	0.070	0.002	0.004	0.004	0.011	0.013	0.000
R35–W1	0.140	0.005	0.012	0.023	0.012	0.010	0.002
R35–DAR12	0.090	0.009	0.010	0.010	0.022	0.004	0.006
R35–L59	0.240	0.004	0.008	0.011	0.017	0.009	0.004
W1–DAR12	0.050	0.004	0.022	0.013	0.002	0.008	0.001
W1–L59	0.100	0.001	0.004	0.012	0.003	0.005	0.002
DAR12–L59	0.150	0.005	0.018	0.001	0.001	0.005	0.001

Table 4. Differences (by value i) of genome size (ΔGs_i), leaf length (ΔPh_i), flavonoid content in leaves (ΔFl_i), photosynthetic pigments content (ΔPg_{ij}), and genetic distances according to Jacquard (ΔGlg_i) (Navrotska et al., 2017) for *Deschampsia antarctica* genotypes

Δi	$ \Delta Gs_i $	ΔPh_i	$ \Delta Fl_i $	ΔGlg_i	$ \Delta Pg_{ij} (j = 1)$	$ \Delta Pg_{ij} (j = 2)$	$ \Delta Pg_{ij} (j = 3)$
G/D4-1–G/D12-2a	0.17	21.68	0.12	–	4.16	0.98	1.12
G/D4-1–G/D12-1	0.01	0.00	0.94	–	3.05	1.93	0.83
G/D4-1–Y62	0.16	16.20	0.13	–	1.74	1.42	0.14
G/D4-1–Y66	5.73	166.74	0.69	–	2.56	0.47	1.03
G/D4-1–Y67	0.22	16.70	0.28	–	3.20	1.38	0.18
G/D4-1–S22	0.07	0.00	0.82	–	0.32	1.02	1.48
G/D4-1–R35	0.24	90.6	0.20	–	1.89	0.88	0.19
G/D4-1–W1	0.10	10.58	0.69	–	3.31	0.54	1.80
G/D4-1–DAR12	0.15	253.49	1.70	–	4.66	1.43	1.40
G/D4-1–L59	0.00	66.35	1.75	–	4.55	1.79	1.31
G/D12-2a–G/D12-1	0.18	29.04	1.06	–	7.21	2.91	1.95
G/D12-2a–Y62	0.01	15.47	1.18	–	5.90	2.40	1.26
G/D12-2a–Y66	5.90	22.77	0.57	–	6.72	1.45	2.15
G/D12-2a–Y67	0.05	20.79	0.16	–	7.36	2.36	1.30

End of Table 4

Δi	$ \Delta G_{S_i} $	ΔPh_i	$ \Delta Fl_i $	ΔGI_{g_i}	$ \Delta P_{g_{ij}} (j = 1)$	$ \Delta P_{g_{ij}} (j = 2)$	$ \Delta P_{g_{ij}} (j = 3)$
G/D12-2a-S22	0.10	28.59	0.94	—	4.48	0.04	2.60
G/D12-2a-R35	0.07	6.050	0.08	—	2.27	0.10	1.31
G/D12-2a-W1	0.07	3.94	0.57	—	7.47	0.44	2.92
G/D12-2a-DAR12	0.02	36.49	1.58	—	0.50	0.45	0.28
G/D12-2a-L59	0.17	0.00	1.87	—	8.71	2.77	2.43
G/D12-1-Y62	0.17	0.00	2.24	—	1.31	0.51	0.69
G/D12-1-Y66	5.72	153.82	1.63	—	0.49	1.46	0.20
G/D12-1-Y67	0.23	7.78	1.22	—	0.15	0.55	0.65
G/D12-1-S22	0.08	0.00	0.12	—	2.73	2.95	0.65
G/D12-1-R35	0.25	92.59	1.14	—	4.94	2.81	0.64
G/D12-1-W1	0.11	17.35	1.63	—	0.26	2.47	0.97
G/D12-1-DAR12	0.16	219.22	2.64	—	7.71	3.36	2.23
G/D12-1-L59	0.01	66.90	0.81	—	1.50	0.14	0.48
Y62-Y66	5.89	216.32	0.61	0.0476	0.82	0.95	0.89
Y62-Y67	0.06	0.00	1.02	0.0484	1.46	0.04	0.04
Y62-S22	0.09	0.00	2.12	0.0484	1.42	2.44	1.34
Y62-R35	0.08	141.58	1.10	0.0476	3.63	2.30	0.05
Y62-W1	0.06	41.94	0.61	0.1290	1.57	1.96	1.66
Y62-DAR12	0.01	299.56	0.40	0.0806	6.40	2.85	1.54
Y62-L59	0.16	112.72	3.05	0.0645	2.81	0.37	1.17
Y66-Y67	5.95	250.73	0.41	0.0641	0.64	0.91	0.85
Y66-S22	5.80	130.19	1.51	0.0645	2.24	1.49	0.45
Y66-R35	5.97	6.62	0.49	0.0323	4.45	1.35	0.84
Y66-W1	5.83	76.84	0.00	0.1452	0.75	1.01	0.77
Y66-DAR12	5.88	27.68	1.01	0.0968	7.22	1.90	2.43
Y66-L59	5.73	32.73	2.44	0.0806	1.99	1.32	0.28
Y67-S22	0.15	33.11	1.10	0.0968	2.88	2.40	1.30
Y67-R35	0.02	173.48	0.08	0.0645	5.09	2.26	0.01
Y67-W1	0.12	61.54	0.41	0.1475	0.11	1.92	1.62
Y67-DAR12	0.07	332.64	1.42	0.0983	7.86	2.81	1.58
Y67-L59	0.22	140.38	2.03	0.0500	1.35	0.41	1.13
S22-R35	0.17	81.26	1.02	0.0952	2.21	0.14	1.29
S22-W1	0.03	17.35	1.51	0.0847	2.99	0.48	0.32
S22-DAR12	0.08	159.78	2.52	0.0984	4.98	0.41	2.88
S22-L59	0.07	56.29	0.93	0.1129	4.23	2.81	0.17
R35-W1	0.14	35.29	0.49	0.1746	5.20	0.34	1.61
R35-DAR12	0.09	57.99	1.50	0.1270	2.77	0.55	1.59
R35-L59	0.24	0.00	1.95	0.0806	6.44	2.67	1.12
W1-DAR12	0.05	146.84	1.01	0.1803	7.97	0.89	3.20
W1-L59	0.10	14.03	2.44	0.1639	1.24	2.33	0.49
DAR12-L59	0.15	76.51	3.45	0.1148	9.21	3.22	2.71

$|\Delta F_l| - |\Delta Ph_l|$ or $|\Delta G_s| - |\Delta Ph_l|$, $|\Delta G_s|$ versus $|\Delta P_{g_{ij}}|$, $|\Delta G_s|$ versus $|\Delta F_l|$, $|\Delta Ph_l|$ versus $|\Delta P_{g_{ij}}|$, $|\Delta F_l|$ versus $|\Delta P_{g_{ij}}|$, $|\Delta F_l|$ versus $|\Delta Ph_l|$.

The pairwise differences by value i where i is genotype number (Table 1) are $|\Delta G_s|$ for genome size, $|\Delta G_l|$ for genetic distances, $|\Delta F_l|$ for flavonoids content.

The pairwise linear regression technique was used to carry out procedure of extreme grouping. We think that this technique probably was the only possible way to interpret results. Factor analysis cannot be applied due to the latency of specific environmental factors during the seeds' formation from which genotypes plants have been germinated and which determine a certain adaptation index value. The closest Mantel test only finds cases when the analyzed pa-

Table 5. The example of extreme grouping for pairs of indices ΔPh_l versus $|\Delta G_s|$, $|\Delta F_l|$ versus $|\Delta G_s|$, $|\Delta F_l|$ versus ΔPh_l where $|\Delta G_s|$ are genome size differences, ΔPh_l are leaf length differences, and $|\Delta F_l|$ are flavonoid content values in leaves differences

Δi	ΔPh_l versus $ \Delta G_s $		$ \Delta F_l $ versus $ \Delta G_s $		$ \Delta F_l $ versus ΔPh_l	
	X^+_i	X^-_i	X^+_i	X^-_i	X^+_i	X^-_i
G/D4-1-G/D12-2a	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D4-1-G/D12-1	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D4-1-Y62	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D4-1-Y66	1	0	0	1	0	1
G/D4-1-Y67	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D4-1-S22	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D4-1-R35	1	0	1	0	0	1
G/D4-1-W1	1	0	1	0	0	1
G/D4-1-DAR12	0	1	0	1	1	0
G/D4-1-L59	1	0	0	1	0	1
G/D12-2a-G/D12-1	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-2a-Y62	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-2a-Y66	0	1	0	1	1	0
G/D12-2a-Y67	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-2a-S22	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-2a-R35	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-2a-W1	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-2a-DAR12	1	0	0	1	0	1
G/D12-2a-L59	1	0	0	1	0	1

End of Table 5

Δi	ΔPh_l versus $ \Delta G_s $		$ \Delta F_l $ versus $ \Delta G_s $		$ \Delta F_l $ versus ΔPh_l	
	X^+_i	X^-_i	X^+_i	X^-_i	X^+_i	X^-_i
G/D12-1-Y62	1	0	0	1	0	1
G/D12-1-Y66	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-1-Y67	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-1-S22	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-1-R35	1	0	1	0	1	0
G/D12-1-W1	1	0	0	1	0	1
G/D12-1-DAR12	0	1	0	1	1	0
G/D12-1-L59	1	0	1	0	1	0
Y62-Y66	1	0	0	1	0	1
Y62-Y67	1	0	1	0	1	0
Y62-S22	1	0	0	1	0	1
Y62-R35	1	0	1	0	0	1
Y62-W1	1	0	1	0	1	0
Y62-DAR12	0	1	1	0	0	1
Y62-L59	1	0	0	1	1	0
Y66-Y67	1	0	0	1	0	1
Y66-S22	0	1	1	0	1	0
Y66-R35	0	1	0	1	1	0
Y66-W1	0	1	0	1	0	1
Y66-DAR12	0	1	0	1	1	0
Y66-L59	0	1	1	0	0	1
Y67-S22	1	0	1	0	1	0
Y67-R35	0	1	1	0	0	1
Y67-W1	1	0	1	0	0	1
Y67-DAR12	0	1	1	0	0	1
Y67-L59	1	0	0	1	1	0
S22-R35	1	0	1	0	1	0
S22-W1	1	0	0	1	0	1
S22-DAR12	0	1	0	1	1	0
S22-L59	1	0	1	0	1	0
R35-W1	1	0	1	0	1	0
R35-DAR12	1	0	0	1	0	1
R35-L59	1	0	0	1	0	1
W1-DAR12	1	0	1	0	0	1
W1-L59	1	0	0	1	1	0
DAR12-L59	1	0	0	1	0	1

rameters are in synchrony. In this context, we compared the differences between genotypes in the measured indices sample series by quantitative differences phase or antiphase (that correspond to synchrony or asynchrony of following adaptation mechanisms in pairwise comparable indices set. Example of the extremal grouping of pairwise spatial differences for indices pairs ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i and $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ are shown in Figures 5, 6.

The pairwise differences by value i where i is genotype number (Table 1) are $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for genome size, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ for flavonoids content, ΔPh_i for leaf length.

The pairwise differences by value i where i is genotype number (Table 1) are $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for genome size, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ for flavonoids content, ΔPh_i for leaf length, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ for pairwise differences of relative content of protective and main proteins in leaves.

Extreme grouping refers to heuristic methods of applied statistical analysis, which need to solve special problems with human participation and those cannot be performed according to a given machine algorithm. Extreme grouping is as follows: on the plane, spatial differences for one parameter and another one

for all pairs of experimental genotypes to plot on different axes. The regression line and the coefficient R^2 indicate that there is no correlation. Next, the researcher, based on their location, determines the possible configuration of the regression lines passage, which are likely to have positive and negative correlations. Separate point manipulation allows us to divide the points of the spatial difference values into two groups for optimal values of the pairwise linear regression. It should be noted that after the matching into groups with significant correlations, manipulations with each individual doubtfully oriented difference only slightly change the overall picture of grouping.

4. Determination of the matching probability into the positive or negative group for each genotype by number i .

The lower index l in the algorithm shown in Figure 4, indicated number of indices pairs, where the indices pairs ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta S_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i of *D. antarctica* plant genotypes under *in vitro* cultivation were assigned value $l = 1, 2, 3$, respectively. Table 5 contains indices pairs presented in the binary approximation form which used to determine the probability matching each genotype (by number i) into the positive or negative group.

Table 6. The United Latent Index of Adaptability (I_i^q ($l_1 = 4$)) calculation for the i -th genotype *Deschampsia antarctica* by indices pairs ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ (I_{i1}), $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ (I_{i2}), $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i (I_{i3}), $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i (I_{i4}), $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$ (I_{i5}), $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ (I_{i6}) where $|\Delta Gs_i|$ are genome size differences, ΔPh_i are leaf length differences, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ are flavonoid content in leaves differences, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ are relative content of protective and main proteins in leaves differences

i	Genotype name	I_{i1}	I_{i2}	I_{i3}	I_{i4}	I_{i5}	I_{i6}	I_i^q ($l_1=4$)
1	G/D4-1	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.466	0.00	0.000	0.283
2	G/D12-2a	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.599	0.033	-0.200	0.306
3	G/D12-1	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.599	0.033	0.167	0.372
4	Y62	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.200	0.067	-0.067	0.128
5	Y66	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	-0.200	0.133	0.033	-0.084
6	Y67	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.466	0.000	0.033	0.267
7	S22	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.533	0.067	-0.067	0.311
8	R35	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.333	0.067	0.233	0.272
9	W1	0.6	0.2	-0.4	0.133	0.033	-0.100	0.083
10	DAR12	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	-0.200	0.100	-0.433	-0.056
11	L59	0.6	-0.4	0.0	0.067	0.167	-0.400	0.028

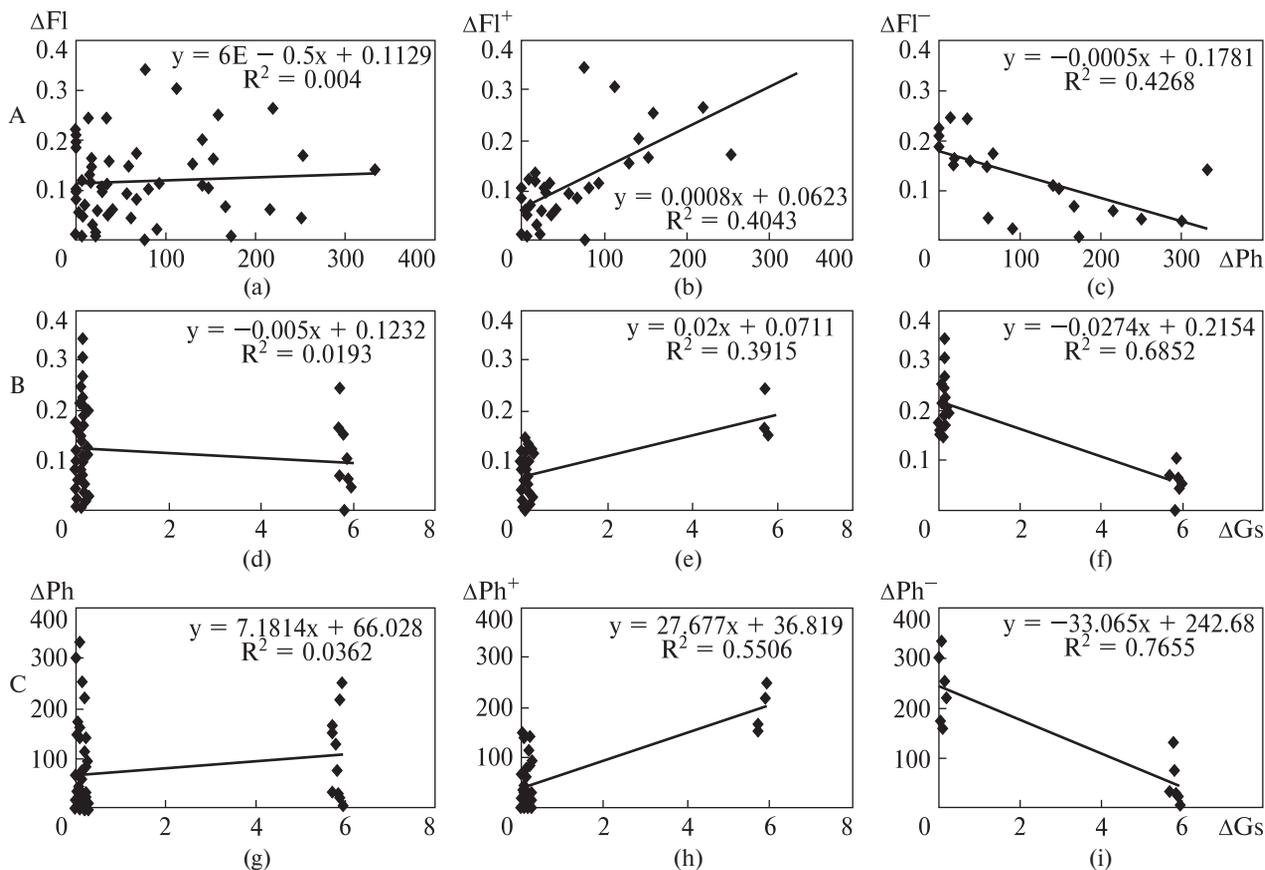


Figure 5. An example of the extreme grouping method application to A — a pair of characteristics ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, B — $|\Delta FI_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, C — $|\Delta FI_i|$ versus ΔPh_i of *Deschampsia antarctica* plants under cultivation *in vitro*. Comparison of sets A, B, C: (a), (d), (g) — for all studied variables among all genotypes; (b), (e), (h) — for differences that have a positive correlation between them, obtained by the method of least squares; (c), (f), (i) — for differences that have a negative correlation between these characteristics. The regression equations on the charts by the method of least squares and squares of the corresponding correlation coefficients between values of A — ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, B — $|\Delta FI_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, C — $|\Delta FI_i|$ versus ΔPh_i . The test value of R^2 shown on the charts: (a), (d), (g) — $F_{1,53} = 0.212$, $F_{1,53} = 1.007$, $F_{1,53} = 2.120$ respectively (do not exceed the value of the upper 5% of the F-distribution limit for $N = 55$ ($F_{1,53} = 4.08$)), (b), (e), (h) — $F_{1,30} = 24.000$, $F_{1,30} = 19.290$, $F_{1,41} = 50.225$ respectively, and (c), (f), (i) — $F_{1,21} = 11.382$, $F_{1,21} = 45.717$, $F_{1,10} = 32.640$ respectively (exceeds the upper 5% of the F-distribution limit for $N = 32$ ($F_{1,30} = 4.17$), $N = 32$ ($F_{1,30} = 4.17$), $N = 43$ ($F_{1,41} = 4.08$) and $N = 23$ ($F_{1,21} = 4.32$), $N = 23$ ($F_{1,21} = 4.32$), $N = 12$ ($F_{1,10} = 4.96$) respectively). This means there is no linear dependence in cases (a), (d), (g) and the presence of linear dependence in cases (b), (e), (h) and (c), (f), (i)

The parts of matches to the positive and negative groups X_i^+ and X_i^- have been determined for each value i . The example is presented in Table 5. The number genotypes was $i_{max} = n$ (in the considered case $n=11$). The maximum number of points was $n-1$ on the plot. To determine the total matching probability to X_i^+ or X_i^- for indices pairs ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta FI_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta FI_i|$ versus ΔPh_i formula (1) was applied for each value $l = 1, 2, 3$:

ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i

$$X_{il} = \frac{1}{n-1} (X_{il}^+ - X_{il}^-) \text{ for } l = 1, 2, 3. \quad (1)$$

When we add additional datasets such as $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ or $|\Delta Glg_i|$ or $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ ($l = 4$), the formula (2) is used.

$$X_{il} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_p (X_{ip}^+ - X_{ip}^-) \text{ for } l = 4, p = k \text{ or } p = j. \quad (2)$$

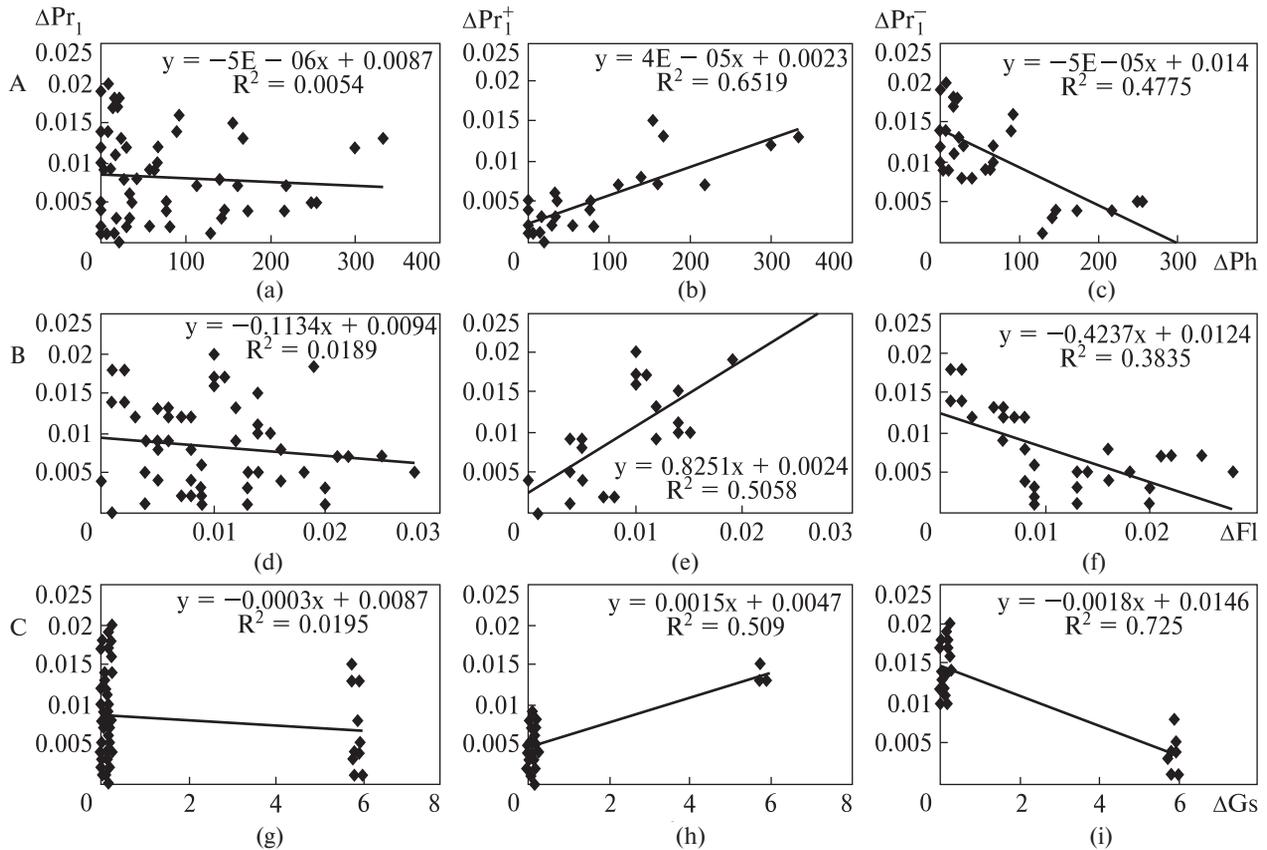


Figure 6. An example of the extreme grouping method application to A — a pair of characteristics $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , B — $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, C — $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ of *Deschampsia antarctica* plants under cultivation *in vitro*. Comparison of sets A, B, C: (a), (d), (g) — for all studied variables among all genotypes; (b), (e), (h) — for differences that have a positive correlation between them, obtained by the method of least squares; (c), (f), (i) — for differences that have a negative correlation between these characteristics. The regression equations on the charts by the method of least squares and squares of the corresponding correlation coefficients between values of A — $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , B — $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, C — $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$. The test value of R^2 shown on the charts: (a), (d), (g) — $F_{1,53} = 0.265$, $F_{1,53} = 1.113$, $F_{1,53} = 1.060$ respectively (do not exceed the value of the upper 5% of the F-distribution limit for $N = 55$ ($F_{1,53} = 4.08$)), (b), (e), (h) — $F_{1,23} = 43.079$, $F_{1,21} = 18.879$, $F_{1,28} = 29.036$ respectively, and (c), (f), (i) — $F_{1,28} = 25.592$, $F_{1,30} = 17.280$, $F_{1,23} = 60.628$ respectively (exceeds the upper 5% of the F-distribution limit for $N = 25$ ($F_{1,23} = 4.28$), $N = 23$ ($F_{1,21} = 4.32$), $N = 30$ ($F_{1,28} = 4.20$) and $N = 30$ ($F_{1,28} = 4.20$), $N = 32$ ($F_{1,30} = 4.17$), $N = 25$ ($F_{1,23} = 4.28$) respectively). This means there is no linear dependence in cases (a), (d), (g) and the presence of linear dependence in cases (b), (e), (h) and (c), (f), (i)

5. Determination of the normalization factor for each data set.

For the simplest case (Tables 4 and 5, Fig. 5), the normalization factors are equal to one. When we add additional datasets such as $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ (Fig. 6) or $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ ($l = 4$), each indices pair $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ ($k = 6$) or $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ ($j = 3$) had a different total number of points on the planes compared to the

source three pairs of indices ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , which were subject to extreme grouping, so the determination of normalization factors was performed for them by the following formulas. Normalization factor for the fourth added index $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ (Figs. 5, 6) had quantity of pair chart $k = 6$ for $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ and was determined by the formula:

$$L_{ikl} = 1/k \ (l = 4), \ L_{i64} = 0.167.$$

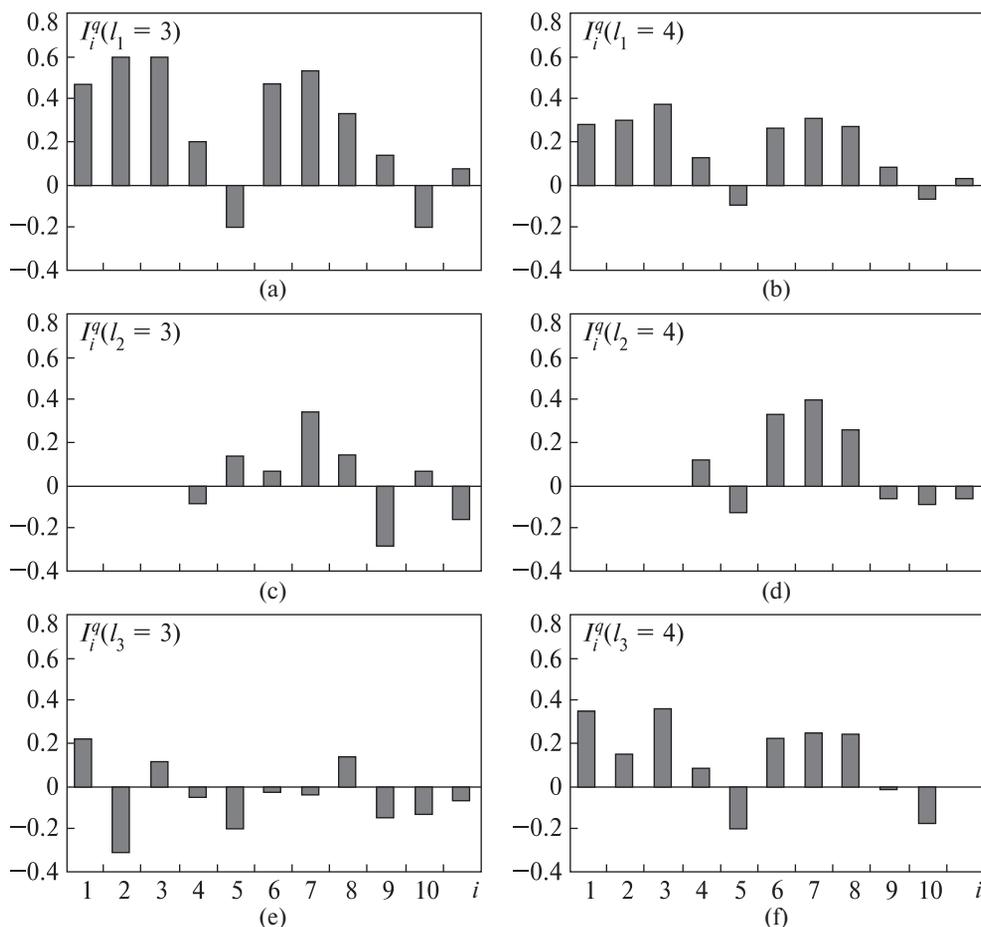


Figure 7. United Quality Latent Indices of Adaptability for studied *Deschampsia antarctica* genotypes based on sources pairwise data sets: (a) — three pairwise data sets ($l_1 = 3$) ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i for eleven genotypes; (b) — four pairwise data sets ($l_1 = 4$): ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for eleven genotypes; (c) — three pairwise data sets ($l_2 = 3$) ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Glg_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Glg_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i for eighth genotypes; (d) — four pairwise data sets ($l_2 = 4$) ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Glg_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Glg_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for eighth genotypes; (e) — three pairwise data sets ($l_3 = 3$) ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i for eleven genotypes; (f) — four pairwise data sets ($l_3 = 4$) ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for eleven genotypes

Normalization factor for the fourth added index $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ had quantity of pair chart $j = 3$ for $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ and was determined by formula:

$$L_{ijl} = 1/j \ (l = 4), \ L_{i34} = 0.333.$$

6. Determination of United Quality Indices for each pair of differences sets for the i -th genotype.

United Quality Indices for each pair of indices was denoted by I_{i1} , I_{i2} , I_{i3} for ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ ver-

sus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , respectively. The formula for United Quality Indices was written based on formula (1):

$$I_{ii}^q = L_{il} \times X_{ii} = \frac{1}{(n-1)} (X_{ii}^+ - X_{ii}^-) \text{ for } l = 1, 2, 3. \quad (3)$$

For the extended variant, we denoted the United Quality Index for each pair of indices I_{i1} , I_{i2} , I_{i3} , I_{i4} , I_{i5} , I_{i6} for ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i and $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$

versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ or $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ correspondingly. The formula for intermediate United Quality Indices was written based on formula (2):

$$I_{il}^q = L_{ipl} \times X_{ipl} = \frac{1}{p(n-1)} \sum_p (X_{ipl}^+ - X_{ipl}^-)$$

for $l = 4, p = k$ or $p = j$, (4)

where X_{il}^+ , X_{ipl}^+ are the matches to the positive group, X_{il}^- , X_{ipl}^- are the matches to the negative group, X_{il} , X_{ipl} are summary i -th genotype matches probability for each pair of indices ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i and $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ or $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ accordingly, L_{ipl} is the normalization factor for each indices pair of indices above.

7. Determination of the United Quality Latent Index for i -th genotype.

The final formula (5) for determining the United Latent Quality Index of Adaptability for i -th genotype look like this:

$$I_i^q = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{l=1}^3 I_{il}^q \text{ for } l = 3. \quad (5)$$

Table 7. United Quality Latent Indices of Adaptability ($I_i^q, (l_2 = 3)$) for eight studied *Deschampsia antarctica* genotypes based on three sources of data ($l_2 = 3$): ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Glg_i|$ (I_{i1}), $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Glg_i|$ (I_{i2}), $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i (I_{i3}) where ΔPh_i are leaf length differences, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ are flavonoid content in leaves differences and $|\Delta Glg_i|$ are genetic distances according to Jacquard

i	Genotype name	I_{i1}	I_{i2}	I_{i3}	$I_i^q (l_2 = 3)$
1	G/D4-1	—	—	—	—
2	G/D12-2a	—	—	—	—
3	G/D12-1	—	—	—	—
4	Y62	-0.33	0.11	0	-0.073
5	Y66	0.11	0.33	0	0.147
6	Y67	-0.33	0.33	0.2	0.067
7	S22	0.33	0.11	0.6	0.346
8	R35	0.11	0.33	0	0.147
9	W1	-0.11	-0.33	-0.4	-0.280
10	DAR12	0.11	0.11	0	0.073
11	L59	0.11	0.56	0	-0.150

Since it is planned to increase the number of studied indices sets of genotypes *in vitro* conditions in this research it should be taken into account the number of combinations of l elements taken two at a time by the formula:

$$C_l^2 = \frac{l!}{2!(l-2)!}$$

Then for the most general case, formula (5) will look like this:

$$I_i^q = \frac{2!(l-2)!}{l!} \sum_l I_{il}^q. \quad (6)$$

The results for the above example of eleven *D. antarctica* genotypes is presented in Table 6 and Figure 7.

The pairwise differences by value i where i is genotype number (Table 1) are $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for genome size, $|\Delta Glg_i|$ for genetic distances, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ for flavonoids content, ΔPh_i for leaf length, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ for pairwise differences of relative content of protective and main proteins in leaves, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ for photosynthetic pigments.

An example of UQLI (I_i^q) for samples of 11 genotypes cultivated *in vitro* is shown in Figures 7a, 7b. The algorithm described above allows increasing the abstraction level of the genotypes samples description at the integral index level, as well as building probabilistic interaction graphs of individual adaptability indices (correlation models). It is interesting that the comparison of two series of data UQLI (I_i^q) 11 genotypes for variants with $l_1 = 3$ and $l_1 = 4$ (by addition of the data block $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$) has shown a correlation with $R = 0.982$ ($F_{1,9} = 244.52$ compared to the tabular value of 5% limits for $N = 11$ $F_{1,9} = 5.12$). This means that the UQLI (I_i^q) profile when adding a data block $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$ was saved very well (correlation is statistical confidently), and no I_i^q change its sign. In further studies, we added each one data block to the main block with $l_1 = 3$ to see if the addition of this block differences the UQLI (I_i^q) profile for the sample of 11 or 8 genotypes.

We reiterate that UQLI (I_i^q) is not a constant value and as a quality index depends on many internal and external factors. Therefore, the cultivation of plants *in vitro* allows to some extent to capture external factors and focus on internal ones. Usually, the successive refinement of a formula is carried out by stepwise addition of components and assessment of whether

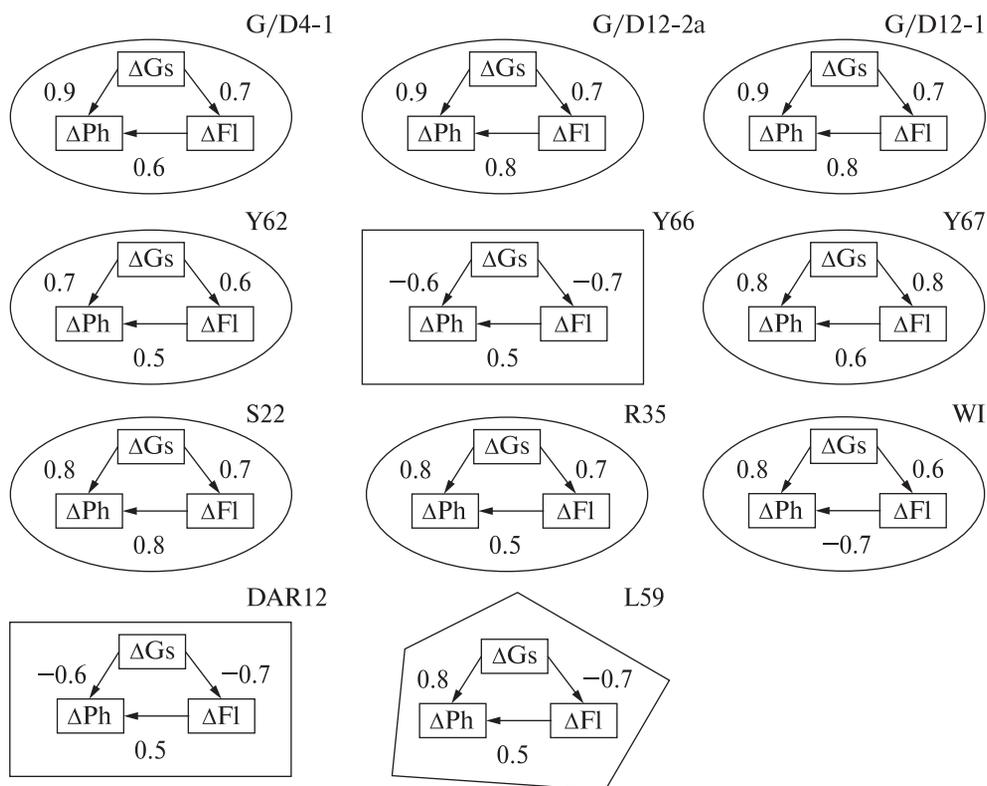


Figure 8. The triangle graphs of probability relations: $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$ for eleven studied genotypes *Deschampsia antarctica in vitro* based on three data sets ($l_1 = 3$) ('genetic size' graphs). Numbers indicate the synchronous (+) or asynchronous (–) processes probability for each studied genotype described by comparable data sets. The genotype graphs (graphs of diploids) with positive probability relations are outlined by ovals, graphs of genotypes with two negative relations ($|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i, |\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$) are outlined by rectangles (there are diploid with B-chromosomes DAR12 and hypotriploid genotype Y66), diploid genotype L59, which has only one negative probability relation ($|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$) is outlined by pentagon (Parnikoza et al., 2017). The pairwise differences by value i where i is genotype number (Table 1) are $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for genome size, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ for flavonoids content, ΔPh_i for leaf length

they are values of the second order of smallness or not. In our case, such a straightforward approach will not work because each component of the UQLI (I_i^q) is important. Therefore, we will assess the significance of each added to the I_i^q component, which changes the I_i^q sign for any genotype provided by the addition of this new component. Therefore, we will not yet consider the data set $|\Delta Pr_{ik}|$.

To take into account differences not only at the genome size level but also at the nucleotide sequences one we formed not only a set of ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i ($l_1 = 3$) but also the set $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $\Delta Ph_i, |\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i ($l_2 = 3$) where $|\Delta Glg_i|$ is a genetic dis-

tances set by ISSR and IRAP primers in eight studied *D. antarctica* genotypes (Table 7).

UQLI (I_i^q) values for samples of eight genotypes Y62, Y66, Y67, S22, R35, W1, DAR12, L59 cultivated *in vitro* were shown in Figure 7c. Analysis of these data revealed a different I_i^q profile than one shown in Figure 7a. I_i^q negative values had genotypes Y62, W1 and L59. This means that differences at the nucleotide sequences level influenced the auxin metabolism-related indices of genotypes otherwise than differences at the chromosomal (genome size) level. The comparison of two UQLI data series of eight genotypes for variants with $l_1 = 3$ and $l_2 = 3$ showed no linear dependence with a correlation coefficient $R = 0.3$

($F_{1,6} = 0.582$ compared to the tabular value of 5% limits for $N = 8$ $F_{1,6} = 5.99$). Then UQLI was determined based on pairs of indices ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ to understand how differences at both chromosomal and nucleoid sequences levels influenced to UQLI (Table 8, Fig. 7d).

The values of UQLI (I_i^q) for eight genotypes samples cultivated *in vitro* Y62, Y66, Y67, S22, R35, W1, DAR12, L59 are shown in Figure 7d. The data analysis presented in this figure showed that in addition to Y66 and DAR12 (Fig. 7a), negative values also had W1 and L59 (Fig. 7d). It was revealed that comparison of eight genotypes UQLI data two series for variants with $l_1 = 3$ and $l_2 = 4$ (was provided by added data block $|\Delta Glg_i|$) showed a linear relationship with a correlation coefficient $R = 0.93$ ($F_{1,6} = 41.28$ compared to the tabular value of 5% limits for $N = 8$ $F_{1,6} = 5.99$).

This result can be interpreted as a generally synchronous $|\Delta Glg_i|$ and $|\Delta Gs_i|$ influence on I_i^q with a shift in the region of negative UQLI values of two more genotypes W1 and L59. To understand this result, we considered the genotypes correlation models. As expected, the influence of differences in such

two indices as genetic distances $|\Delta Glg_i|$ and differences in genome size $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for such auxin metabolism-related indices as differences in leaf length ΔPh_i and flavonoid content $|\Delta Fl_i|$ was different for genotypes with both different and the same origin. Correlation models of genotypes were shown in Figures 8, 9.

To take into account differences not only at the genome size but also at the pigment level, we formed not only a set of ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i ($l_1 = 3$) but also the set $|\Delta Pgg_j|$ versus ΔPh_i , $|\Delta Pgg_j|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i ($l_2 = 3$) where $|\Delta Pgg_j|$ were chlorophyll A (ChlA, $j = 1$), chlorophyll B (ChlB, $j = 2$), carotenoids (Car, $j = 3$) in eleven studied *D. antarctica* genotypes (Table 9, Fig. 7e).

An example of UQLI (I_i^q) for samples of 11 genotypes cultivated *in vitro* was shown in Figures 7e, f. It is interesting that the comparison of two series of data UQLI (I_i^q) 11 genotypes for variants with $l_1 = 3$ and $l_3 = 4$ (by addition of the data block $|\Delta Pgg_j|$) has shown a correlation with $R = 0.924$ ($F_{1,9} = 52.767$ compared to the tabular value of 5% limits for $N = 11$ $F_{1,9} = 5.12$). This means that the UQLI (I_i^q) profile when adding a data block $|\Delta Pgg_j|$ was conserved very well (correlation is statistical confidently), but I_i^q changed its sign for W1 and became zero for L59. Such influence of add-

Table 8. The United Latent Index of Adaptability calculation for the i -th genotype *Deschampsia antarctica* for value I_i^q ($l_2 = 4$) by indices pairs ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ (I_{i1}), $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ (I_{i2}), $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus ΔPh_i (I_{i3}), $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus ΔPh_i (I_{i4}), $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i|$ (I_{i5}), $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i|$ (I_{i6}) where $|\Delta Gs_i|$ are genome size differences, ΔPh_i are leaf length differences, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ are flavonoid content in leaves differences and $|\Delta Glg_i|$ are genetic distances according to Jacquard

i	Genotype name	I_{i1}	I_{i2}	I_{i3}	$I_i^q(l_1 = 3)$	I_{i4}	I_{i5}	I_{i6}	$I_i^q(l_2 = 4)$
1	G/D4-1	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.466	—	—	—	—
2	G/D12-2a	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.599	—	—	—	—
3	G/D12-1	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.599	—	—	—	—
4	Y62	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.200	-0.33	0.11	0.33	0.119
5	Y66	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	-0.200	0.11	0.33	-0.56	-0.120
6	Y67	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.466	-0.33	0.33	0.56	0.327
7	S22	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.533	0.33	0.11	0.33	0.396
8	R35	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.333	0.11	0.33	0.11	0.259
9	W1	0.6	0.2	-0.4	0.133	-0.11	-0.33	-0.33	-0.062
10	DAR12	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	-0.200	0.11	0.11	-0.11	-0.082
11	L59	0.6	-0.4	0.0	0.067	0.11	-0.56	-0.11	-0.060

ing of $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ set data to $I^q_i (l_1 = 3)$ resembles the influence adding of $|\Delta Glg_i|$ to the same index (Figs. 7d, f).

UQLI (I^q_i) value was determined for eight genotypes taking into account the index components that influenced the sign of index, namely the data sets Gs_i , Glg_i , Ph_i , Fl_i , Pg_i ($l = 5$) (Table 10).

The results presented in Table 10 indicated a significant influence of differences sets $|\Delta Glg_i|$ and $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ on UQLI (I^q_i) sign of values at least for two genotypes W1 and L59 ($i = 9, i = 11$). This means that $|\Delta Glg_i|$ and $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ influenced UQLI (I^q_i) in the same phase.

Table 9. The United Latent Index of Adaptability calculation for the i -th genotype *Deschampsia antarctica* for value $I^q_i (l_3 = 4)$ by indices pairs ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i| (I_{i1})$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i| (I_{i2})$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $\Delta Ph_i (I_{i3})$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $\Delta Ph_i (I_{i4})$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i| (I_{i5})$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i| (I_{i6})$ where $|\Delta Gs_i|$ are genome size differences, ΔPh_i are leaf length differences, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ are flavonoid content in leaves differences and $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ are photosynthetic pigments content differences

i	Genotype name	I_{i1}	I_{i2}	I_{i3}	$I^q_i (l_1 = 3)$	I_{i4}	I_{i5}	I_{i6}	$I^q_i (l_3 = 4)$
1	G/D4-1	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.466	0.133	0.6	-0.067	0.345
2	G/D12-2a	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.599	-0.400	-0.267	-0.267	0.145
3	G/D12-1	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.599	0.133	0.067	0.133	0.356
4	Y62	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.200	0.000	-0.067	-0.067	0.078
5	Y66	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	-0.200	-0.400	0.067	-0.267	-0.200
6	Y67	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.466	0.000	0.067	-0.133	0.223
7	S22	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.533	0.067	-0.067	-0.133	0.245
8	R35	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.333	0.067	0.333	0.00	0.234
9	W1	0.6	0.2	-0.4	0.133	0.000	-0.333	-0.133	-0.011
10	DAR12	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	-0.200	0.133	-0.200	-0.333	-0.167
11	L59	0.6	-0.4	0.0	0.067	-0.133	0.267	-0.333	0.000

Table 10. The United Latent Index of Adaptability calculation for the i -th genotype *Deschampsia antarctica* for value $I^q_i (l_2 = 4)$ by indices pairs ΔPh_i versus $|\Delta Gs_i| (I_{i1})$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i| (I_{i2})$, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ versus $\Delta Ph_i (I_{i3})$, $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $\Delta Ph_i (I_{i4})$, $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i| (I_{i5})$, $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i| (I_{i6})$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $\Delta Ph_i (I_{i7})$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Fl_i| (I_{i8})$, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ versus $|\Delta Gs_i| (I_{i9})$, $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus $|\Delta Pg_{ij}| (I_{i10})$ where $|\Delta Gs_i|$ are genome size differences, ΔPh_i are leaf length differences, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ are flavonoid content in leaves differences and $|\Delta Glg_i|$ are genetic distances according to Jacquard, $|\Delta Pg_{ij}|$ are photosynthetic pigments content differences

i	Genotype name	I_{i1}	I_{i2}	I_{i3}	I_{i4}	I_{i5}	I_{i6}	I_{i7}	I_{i8}	I_{i9}	I_{i10}	$I^q_i (l = 5)$
1	G/D4-1	0.8	0.4	0.2	-	-	-	0.133	0.600	-0.067	-	-
2	G/D12-2a	0.8	0.4	0.6	-	-	-	-0.4	-0.267	-0.267	-	-
3	G/D12-1	0.8	0.4	0.6	-	-	-	0.133	0.067	0.133	-	-
4	Y62	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.33	0.11	0.33	0.000	-0.067	-0.067	0.33	0.05840
5	Y66	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.11	0.33	-0.56	-0.400	0.067	-0.267	-0.56	-0.1682
6	Y67	0.6	0.6	0.2	-0.33	0.33	0.56	0.000	0.067	-0.133	0.56	0.2066
7	S22	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.33	0.11	0.33	0.067	-0.067	-0.133	0.33	0.2342
8	R35	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.11	0.33	0.11	0.067	0.333	0.000	0.11	0.2303
9	W1	0.6	0.2	-0.4	-0.11	-0.33	-0.33	0.000	-0.333	-0.133	-0.33	-0.1064
10	DAR12	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.11	0.11	-0.11	0.133	-0.200	-0.333	-0.11	-0.1243
11	L59	0.6	-0.4	0.0	0.11	-0.56	-0.11	0.133	0.267	-0.333	-0.11	-0.0616

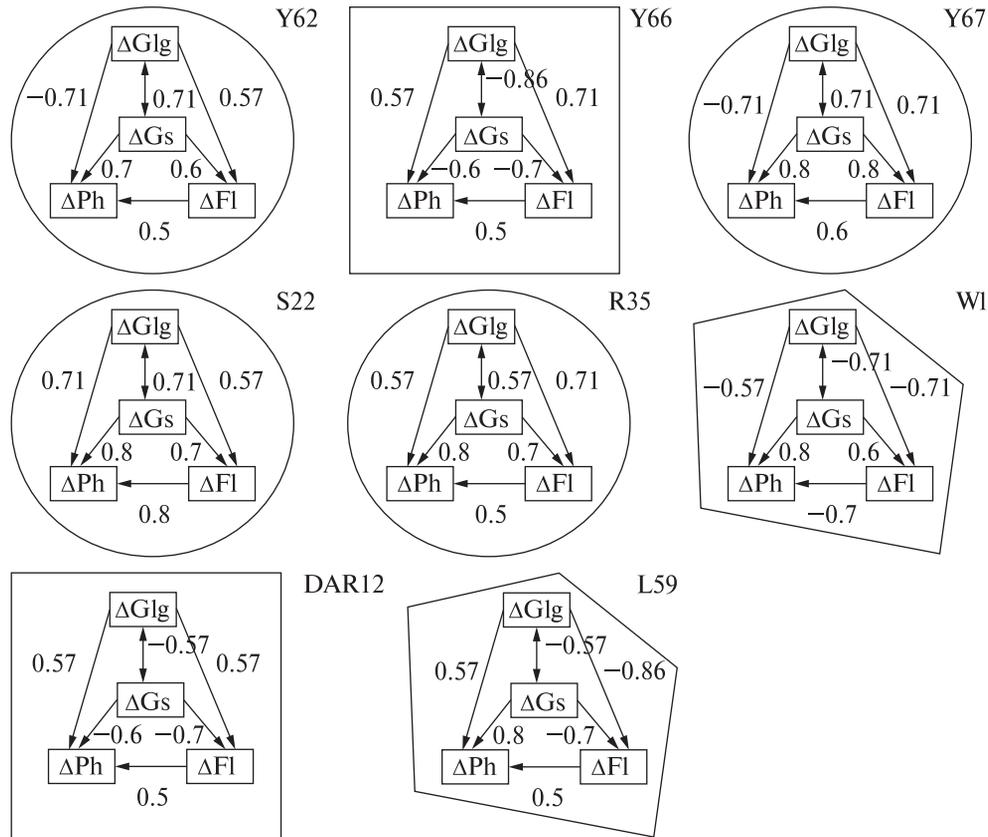


Figure 9. The bipartite graph of two probabilistic relations graphs $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i, |\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$ and $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$ ('genetic distances' graphs) and probabilistic connection $|\Delta Glg_i| \leftrightarrow |\Delta Gs_i|$ (connection of 'genetic distances' and 'genome size' graphs) which provides certain relationships between graphs for the eight *Deschampsia antarctica* genotypes under *in vitro* condition based on four data sets ($l_2 = 4$). The numbers indicate the probability of synchrony (+) or asynchrony (-) processes described by the compared data series for each genotype. The genotype graphs (2C, diploids) with most positive probability relations are outlined by ovals, graphs of genotypes with two negative relations ($|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$) are outlined by rectangles (there are 2C, diploid with B-chromosomes DAR12 and 3C, hypotriploid genotype Y66), 2C, diploid genotypes WI and L59 with the most negative relations are outlined by pentagons. The pairwise differences by value i where i is genotype number (Table 1) are $|\Delta Gs_i|$ for genome size, $|\Delta Glg_i|$ for genetic distances, $|\Delta Fl_i|$ for flavonoids content, ΔPh_i for leaf length

Correlation models of the differences in genome size influence ($|\Delta Gs_i|$) on differences in leaf length (ΔPh_i) and flavonoid content ($|\Delta Fl_i|$) (auxin metabolism indices) for eleven genotypes represented by graphs of probability relations are shown in Figure 8.

Correlation models of the differences in genetic distances according to Jacquard ($|\Delta Glg_i|$), which influenced auxin metabolism-related indices differences: in leaf length (ΔPh_i) and flavonoid content ($|\Delta Fl_i|$) for eight genotypes are shown in Figure 9.

As can be seen from the graphs shown in Figure 9, we can distinguish two different graphs of base genetic

characteristics and adaptation indices in the form of probabilistic relations between sets of pairwise distances. These were graphs of probabilistic relations $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$ and $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$. We can single out the probabilistic relation $|\Delta Glg_i| \leftrightarrow |\Delta Gs_i|$ which characterizes the relationship between graphs.

To abbreviate, we introduce the terms 'genome size' graph and 'genetic distances' graph. The 'genome size' graph is the graph of the genome size differences (Fig. 8) influenced on auxin metabolism-related indices. In case genetic heterogeneity index (IRAP and

ISSR marker combination) used the graph of differences in genetic distances between genotypes whose influence on auxin metabolism-related indices will be called ‘genetic distances’ graph. Its influence on ‘genetic distances’ graphs for eight genotypes is presented in Figure 9.

Analyzing genotype groups according to their correlation models represented by graphs of probability relations, we try to understand how the basic characteristics for each of them were realized under the new cultivation *in vitro* conditions. The basic genetic characteristics were saved in dynamic memory, which depended on the plant’s origin according to our assumptions themselves based on Tchuraev (2006a).

1. Two genotypes of the same origin, Y62 and Y67 (2C, diploids), were included in the first group. All probabilistic relations in diploids in the inner graph (‘genome size’ graph path) were positive, and in the outer (‘genetic distances’ graph path) all ones except $|\Delta Glg_i|$ versus ΔPh_i which means that increase/decrease in the value of the genetic distance $|\Delta Glg_i|$ accompanied by a decrease/ increase in ΔPh_i values for Y62 and Y67 (Fig. 9). Probability graphs Y62 and Y67, which belong to the same group, can be interpreted as follows. The $|\Delta Glg_i|$ value between Y62 and Y67 was one of the smallest in this data set (0.0484), corresponding to a small value $|\Delta Fl_i|$ (1.02), which in turn corresponds to a small value of ΔPh_i (0) (Table 4). This is the graph path’ $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$. In this case, this path works in the ‘genetic distances’ graph’ because the direct probabilistic connection $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$ contradicts such a schedule. The ‘genome size’ graph does not have such contradictions, so it is the main one for these two genotypes. This situation in genotypes Y62 and Y67 corresponds to a small average leaf length (Fig. 1), which does not differ for these two genotypes. Hence, this group of genotypes is stable under the chosen growing conditions.

2. The Y66 genotype graph which has the same origin as Y62 and Y67, but has a chromosomal polymorphism (hypotriploid according to Navrotska et al. (2014) can be attributed to the same group as another genotype with chromosomal polymorphism DAR12 (presence of B-chromosome (Amosova et al., 2015)) with a completely different origin. These two geno-

types (the second group) have similar graphs of probabilistic relations in the studied data sets which are strikingly different in the ‘genome size’ graph ($|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$) from genotypes with chromosomes diploid sets matched into the negative group by I_i^a ($I_1 = 3$) in the case of only the ‘genome size’ graph (Figs. 7a, 8), by I_i^a ($I_1 = 4$) in the case of the ‘genome size’ graph and the graph of ‘protective proteins’ ($|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Pr_{ik}| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Gs_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Pr_{ik}|$) (Fig. 7b), according to I_i^a ($I_2 = 4$) in the case of taking into account the ‘genome size’ graph and the ‘genetic distances’ graph ($|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$, $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i|$, $|\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$) (Fig. 7d). However, the Y66 genotype has more significant values (0.57, 0.71 versus 0.57, 0.57, and -0.86 versus -0.57) in DAR12 probabilistic relationships in the ‘genetic distances’ graph and between the ‘genome size’ and ‘genetic distances’ graphs (Fig. 9). Probability graphs Y66 and DAR12, which we refer to as one group, can be interpreted as follows. The $|\Delta Glg_i|$ value between Y66 and DAR12 was twice as small as the maximum in this data set (0.0964). It corresponds to a small value $|\Delta Fl_i|$ (1.01), which, in turn, corresponds to one of the smallest ΔPh_i values (27.68) (Table 4). This was the path $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow |\Delta Fl_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$. In this case, the direct probability relationship $|\Delta Glg_i| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_i$ also worked harmoniously. Probabilistic relationship of ‘genome size’ and ‘genetic distances’ graphs $|\Delta Glg_i|$ (0.0968) corresponded to $|\Delta Gs_i|$ (5.88) and was negative (-0.86 and -0.57) for Y66 and DAR12 genotypes correspondingly (Fig. 9). These genotypes had a much longer average leaf length (approximately 11 versus 5 cm in Y62 and Y67) and a large distribution range (Fig. 1). Both graphs worked harmoniously.

3. Genotypes S22 and R35 (third group) can be characterized by the presence of only positive and neutral relations in both graphs. The $|\Delta Glg_i|$ value between S22 and R35 was approximately twice less than the maximum in this data set (0.0953), it corresponded to a small value $|\Delta Fl_i|$ (1.02) which, in turn, is approximately three times less than the maximum in this data set ΔPh_i (81.26) (Table 4). Hence the work of the ‘genetic distances’ graph did not go beyond harmonious work. The work of the ‘genome size’ graph ($|\Delta Gs_i|$

(0.17), $|\Delta F_l|$ (1.02), ΔPh_1 (81.26)) was harmonious also. The probabilistic relationship between the graphs was positive. These genotypes had a slightly longer average leaf length than Y62 and Y67 (approximately 6–7 cm). Among the differences should be noted the greater $|\Delta F_l|$ influence on ΔPh_1 in genotype S22, which had a shorter leaf length compared to R35 (0.8 versus 0.5) (Fig. 9).

4. The fourth group of genotypes W1 and L59 (diploids) was interesting because it had a positive and a negative relationship in the ‘genome size’ graph and had positive I_i^q ($l_1 = 3$) values under taking into account only the ‘genome size’ graph conditions. If the ‘genome size’ and ‘genetic distances’ graphs were taken into account the I_i^q ($l_2 = 4$) values of these genotypes turn into a negative group. We suppose this probably means that the ‘genetic distances’ graph is more important for these genotypes. But since these two genotypes graphs differ from each other, we consider them separately. The $|\Delta Glg|$ (0.1639) value between W1 and L59 was one of the largest values in this data set; it corresponded to a large $|\Delta F_l|$ (2.44) value, which in turn corresponded to ΔPh_1 (14.03), one of the smallest in this data set, the $|\Delta Gs|$ (0.1) value was one of the smallest also (Table 4). For the W1 genotype, this means that three independent pathways, $|\Delta Glg| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_1$ in the ‘genetic distances’ graph, $|\Delta Gs| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_1$ in the ‘genome size’ graph, and $|\Delta F_l| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_1$ in both graphs influenced ΔPh_1 . $|\Delta Glg| \rightarrow |\Delta F_l|$ path in the ‘genetic distances’ graph and $|\Delta Gs| \rightarrow |\Delta F_l|$ path in the ‘genome size’ graph should be acted in antiphase to ΔPh_1 with probabilities of 0.7 and 0.6, respectively. It is possible that in this case, there were variants corresponding to probabilities 0.3 and 0.4, respectively. However, both graphs acted in concert: $|\Delta Gs|$ and $|\Delta Glg|$ had a negative probability relationship (–0.71). For the L59 genotype, this meant that the $|\Delta Gs| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_1$ and $|\Delta Gs| \rightarrow |\Delta F_l|$ pathways acted in concert in the ‘genome size’ graph, leaving the path $|\Delta F_l| \rightarrow \Delta Ph_1$ neutral. The $|\Delta Glg| \rightarrow |\Delta F_l|$ (–0.86) and $|\Delta Glg| \rightarrow |\Delta Ph_1|$ (0.57) paths acted in antiphase in the ‘genetic distances’ graph. However, both graphs acted in concert because $|\Delta Gs| \rightarrow |\Delta Glg|$ path had a negative probability relation (–0.57). So, both basic genetic characteristics graphs were involved in the W1

genotype, and the ‘genome size’ graph predominated in L59. As a result, the average leaf length in W1 and L59 (approximately 7.5 cm) differed little, but the distribution of this parameter in L59 had a larger swing to increasing leaf length; the flavonoid content was 2.59 in W1 and 4.67 mg/g in L59 genotypes.

Flavonoids are regulators of auxin metabolism; in particular, luteolin is a synergist of auxin, and apigenin inhibits the synthesis of IAA (indolyl-3-acetic acid) because it is a cofactor of IAA oxidase (Makarenko & Levitsky, 2013). We did not isolate the content of luteolin and apigenin separately when measuring the total flavonoid content, although, according to our assumptions, the nature of the interaction of genetic distances with adaptability indices may reflect the regulation of their synthesis. Therefore, the discrepancy between $|\Delta Glg|$ and final $|\Delta F_l|$ values probabilistic connection on the path $|\Delta Glg| \rightarrow |\Delta F_l|$ may be caused by auxin synthesis stimulation or blocking in this path.

4 Conclusions

The developed algorithm for the UQLI calculation has been used to evaluate the complex adaptability for eleven genotypes of *D. antarctica* cultivated *in vitro* with different origins from sites of the Argentine Islands region, the maritime Antarctic.

The individuality of the adaptive portrait for all studied *D. antarctica* genotypes under *in vitro* cultivation conditions was shown. The possible influence of basic genetic characteristics genome size and genetic distances according to IRAP and ISSR markers on auxin metabolism-related ‘leaf length’ and ‘flavonoid content’ indices was shown. Such influence may be carried out by genetic characteristics individually as well as in complex. Among the eight genotypes researched, we distinguish four different variants by correlation models and two (positive and negative) by the general I_i^q value.

Thus the I_i^q (UQLI) is proposed to describe a lot of source data at different organization levels that characterize sample genotypes of the same species from different regions by reducing the dimension to one dimensionless number. The I_i^q (UQLI) can be used to compare

a set of genotypes sample of the same species growing under different conditions, especially during the artificial processing of genotypes by different factors designed to improve productivity on a given index.

This genotype individuality and their grouping by I^q peculiarities should be taken into account in experimental studies using these genotypes as model plants.

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Розрахунок зведеного латентного показника пристосовуваності генотипів *Deschampsia antarctica* різного походження вирощуваних *in vitro*

Реферат. Розроблено і детально описано алгоритм розрахунку зведеного латентного показника пристосовуваності (I^q , ЗЛПП) рослин із колекції генотипів *Deschampsia antarctica* E. Desv., отриманих з насіння з різних локалітетів регіону Аргентинських островів, морська Антарктика, і вирощуваних *in vitro* в лабораторних умовах. Як базові показники вихідної генетичної гетерогенності аналізованих культивованих генотипів рослин використано розмір генома (значення 2С ядерної ДНК для одинадцяти генотипів) та величини генетичних відстаней за ISSR та IRAP маркерами за даними, наведеними в опублікованій в роботі. Для оцінки окремих показників пристосовуваності для одинадцяти генотипів *D. antarctica* застосовано методи вимірювання морфометричного показника довжини листка, визначення кількості флавоноїдів за рутином та вмісту фотосинтетичних пігментів. Спектри запасних і захисних білків листків досліджено за допомогою електрофорезу в поліакриламідному гелі. Для отримання I^q застосовано метод екстремального групування. Розрахунок ЗЛПП проводили за допомогою попарних порівнянь рядів різниць показників для кожної пари генотипів. Розроблено і детально описано алгоритм розрахунку I^q на прикладі одинадцяти генотипів *D. antarctica*. Як приклад застосування, наведено кореляційні моделі ймовірнісних відносин вимірних показників. Розроблений алгоритм розрахунку I^q було успішно використано для оцінки комплексної адаптованості одинадцяти генотипів *D. antarctica*, вирощуваних *in vitro*. Показано індивідуальність адаптаційного портрету усіх досліджуваних генотипів в умовах стандартизованого вирощування. Показано вплив основних генетичних характеристик: розміру генома та генетичних відстаней на пов'язані з ауксиновим метаболізмом показники пристосовуваності: довжину листків та вміст флавоноїдів. Серед восьми досліджуваних генотипів ми виділяємо чотири різні варіанти за кореляційними моделями та два (позитивні та негативні) за загальним I^q .

Запропонований інтегральний показник (I^q , ЗЛПП) може бути використаний для опису великої кількості вихідних даних, що характеризують генотипи в умовах вирощування *in vitro* на різних рівнях організації, за допомогою методів зниження розмірності, кінцевим результатом застосування яких є одне число без розмірності. Індивідуальність генотипів та їх групування за особливостями I^q слід враховувати під час проведення експериментальних досліджень із використанням цих генотипів як модельних рослин, особливо в досліді з вивчення і регуляції продуктивності, вивчення впливу різних екзогенних чинників тощо.

Ключові слова: *Deschampsia antarctica*, культура рослин *in vitro*, зведений латентний показник пристосовуваності рослин, кореляційні моделі ймовірнісних відносин різних показників