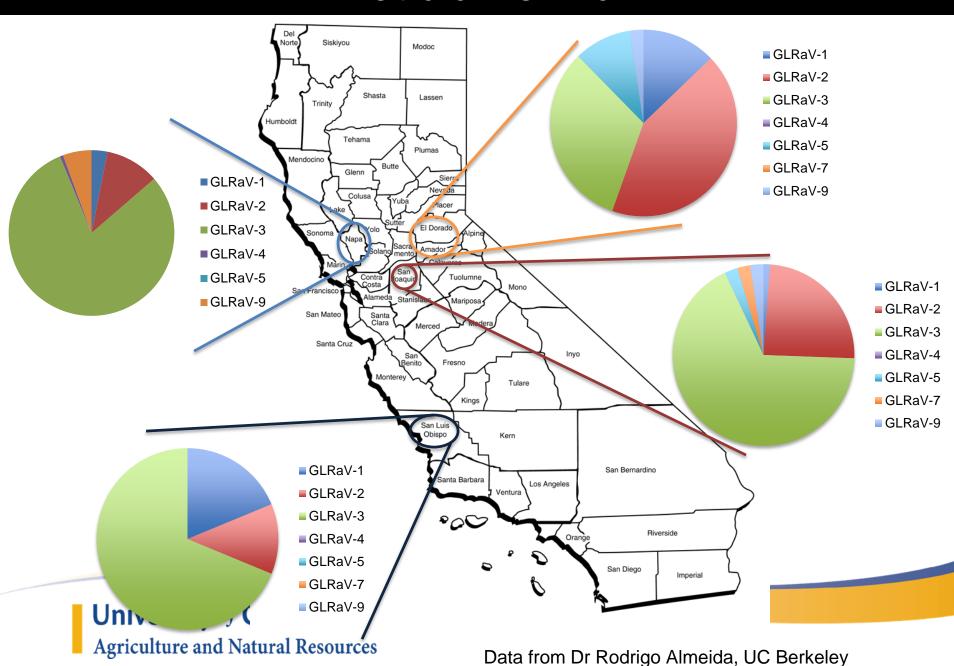
# Cooperation is the key to combat grapevine viruses

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### Activities since 2010

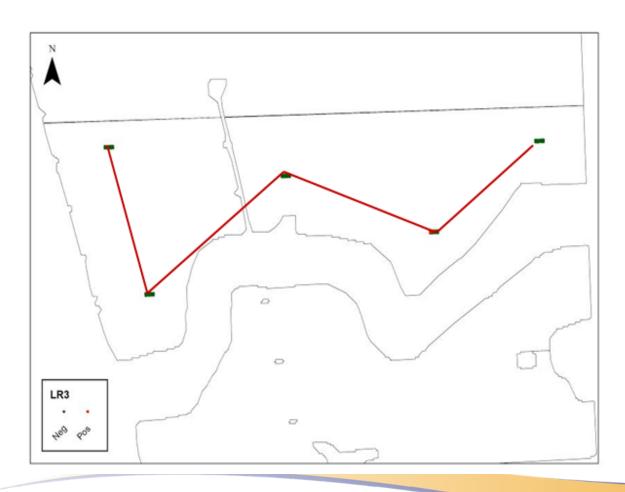
- Developed model for within-block spread of GLRaV-3
  - -Basis of advice about leafroll management in new plantings
  - —Basis of sampling schemes for disease detection
  - —Provide sampling support (design/analysis) to growers and nurseries
- Sensitivity analysis of production system to sources of infected material and spread between blocks
  - —Used to prioritize research/outreach work
- Characterized attitudes to virus management and clean planting stock
  - Used to highlight obstacles to cooperation for area-wide control
  - Help to facilitate and support Oakville LAMBA mealybug management group
- Expert input to grape R&C program re-write

### What did we find?



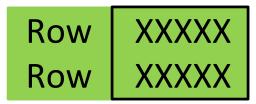
## Case Study





Grower decided to test using this structure:

- 5 sets (quadrats)
- 10 samples (n=10) in each set



- Each vine individually tested
- "W" formation throughout field block
  - "X" works too

## Where are the positives?

**GRBaV** 

15 positive of 50, approx. 15%

5 Quadrats of 10:

Quadrat	# Positive
1	3/10
2	2/10
3	0/10
4	0/10
5	10/10

GLRaV-3

5 positive of 50, approx. 5%

5 Quadrats of 10:

Quadrat	# Positive
1	1/10
2	0/10
3	0/10
4	0/10
5	4/10

### GRBaV in the given samples

#### **BINOMIAL**

#### **BETA-BINOMIAL**

Fit Statistics	
-2 Log Likelihood	43.9
AIC (smaller is better)	45.9
AICC (smaller is better)	47.2
BIC (smaller is better)	45.5

Fit Statistics	
-2 Log Likelihood	19.4
AIC (smaller is better)	23.4
AICC (smaller is better)	29.4
BIC (smaller is better)	22.6

Label	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t	Alpha	Lower	Upper
р	0.3	0.06481	5	4.63	0.0057	0.05	0.1334	0.4666

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р	0.3519	0.1738	5	2.02	0.0988	0.05	-0.09483	0.7986
alpha	0.1928	0.1709	5	1.13	0.3105	0.05	-0.2465	0.6321
beta	0.3551	0.3511	5	1.01	0.3582	0.05	-0.5474	1.2576
rho (intraclass corr.)	0.646	0.2017	5	3.2	0.0239	0.05	0.1277	1.1644

# If you don't find it, is it really not there?

$$Pr(X = 0) = (1 + n\theta)^{-N\frac{p}{\theta}}$$

Probability of not detecting disease if true vine incidence is p, group size is n and N groups of tests are made

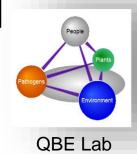
$$p = -\theta \cdot \log(P)/N \cdot \log(1 + n\theta)$$

Maximum true vine disease incidence that could result in zero positives, given group size n, N groups, with probability P.

$$N = -\theta \cdot \log(P)/p \cdot \log(1 + n\theta)$$

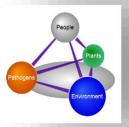
Sample size required to generate zero positives, given group size n and true disease incidence p, with probability P. Larger samples will give one or more positives

# Yountville-Oakville neighborhood group





Mealybug counts
Discussion on control
Interest in virus testing and
detection



#### Grape leaf roll

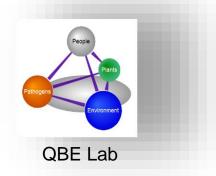
QBE Lab



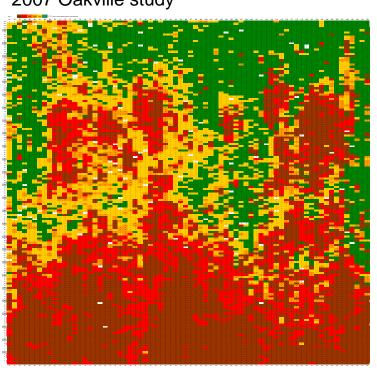




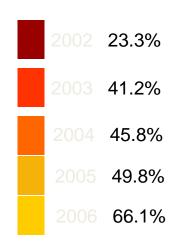
### Spatial and temporal progress



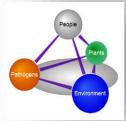
2007 Oakville study



#### **Leafroll Incidence**



## Between block infection causes shared costs and responsibilities



QBE Lab





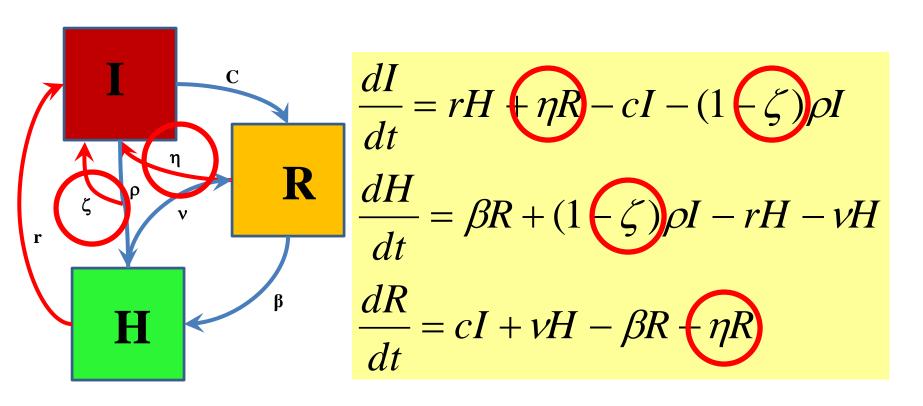
FPS

Nurseries

**Production** 

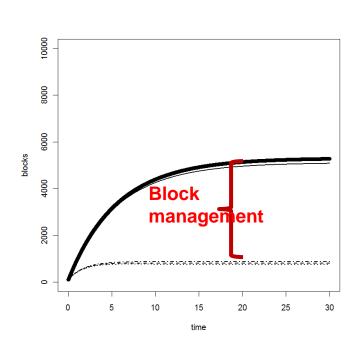
Consumers

## Inter-block meta-population model

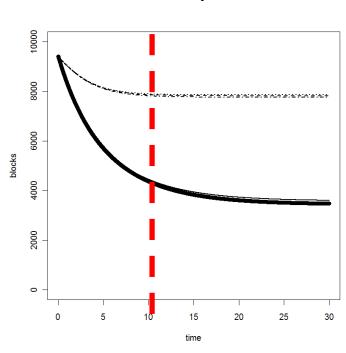


### What drives the leafroll epidemic regionally?

#### Infected

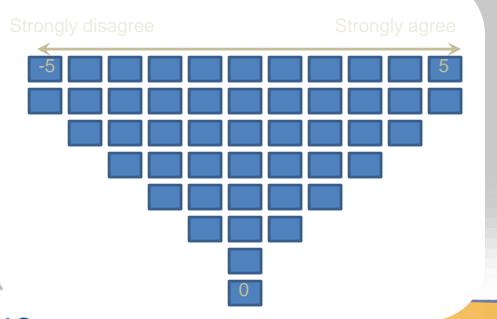


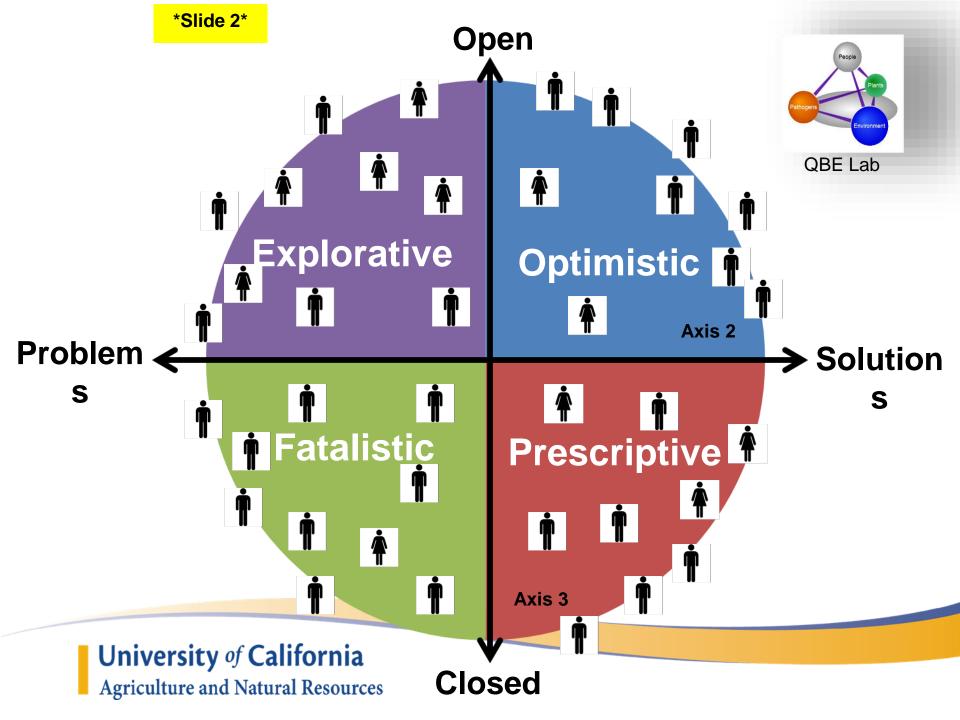
#### Healthy

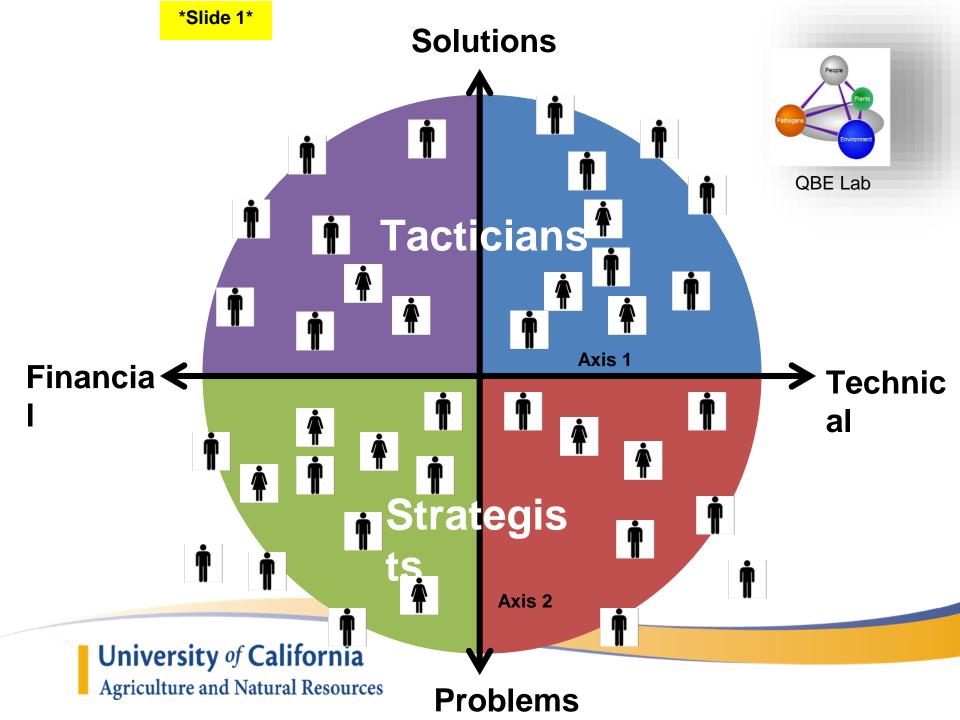


#### Q-method study

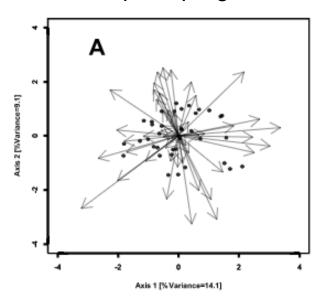
- Q-method: Study of subjectivity
- Workshops to generate discourse (3)
- Extraction of a set of characteristic statements (47 from discourse)
- Ranking of statements by participants in Q-sort (37)
- Statistical analysis



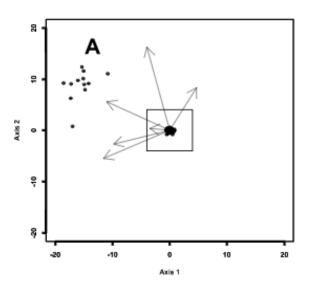


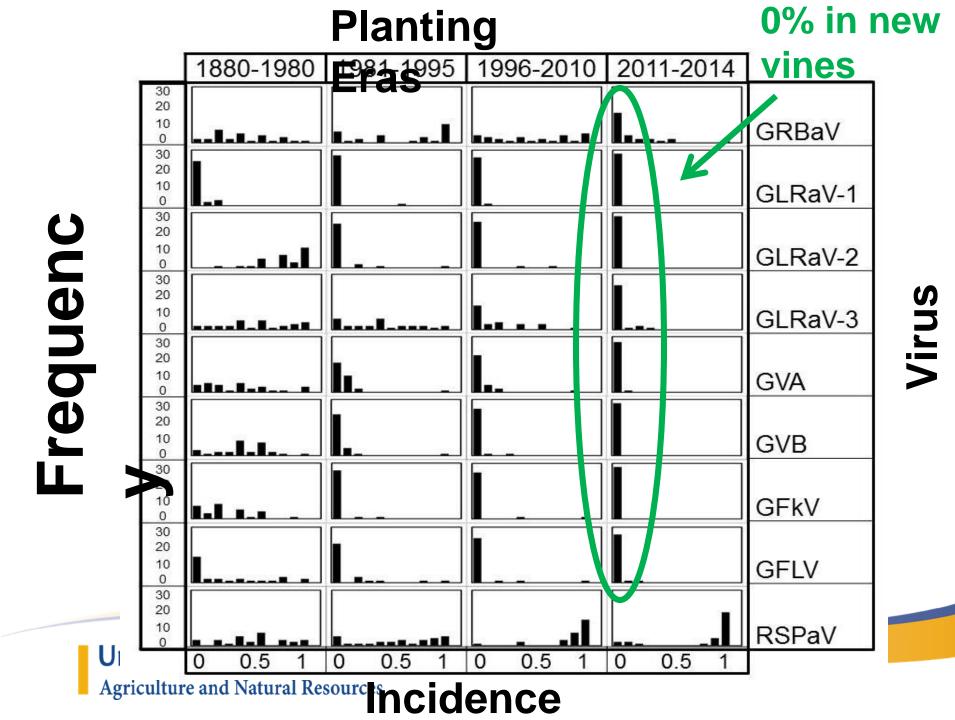


Diversity among growers/winemakers with respect to leafroll management and clean plant programs

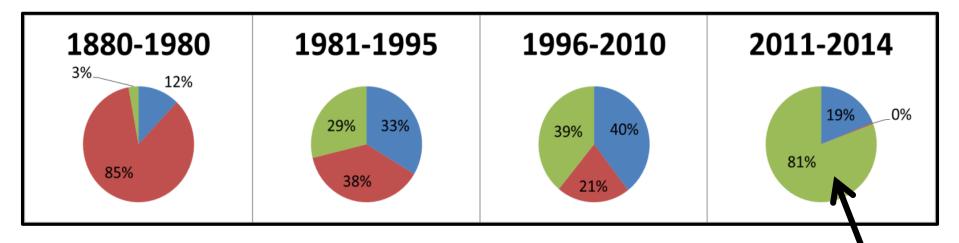


But they're all close together when we include nursery stock producers in the same analysis





### Mixed vs. Single Infections









Single Infections are predominantly leafroll or red blotch

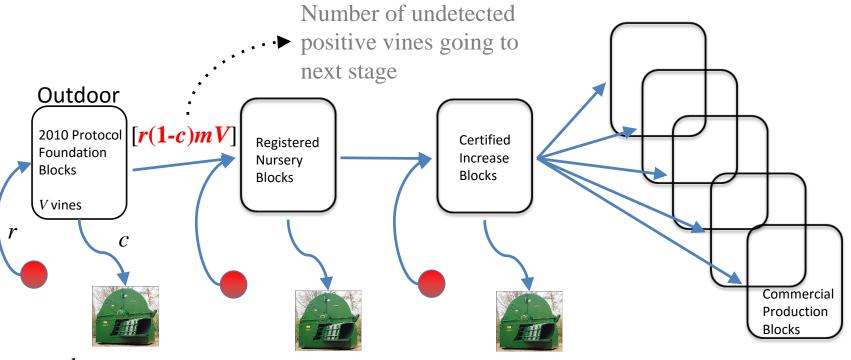
\*Figure excludes RSPaV



# Consistent agreement in subjectivity study

- Virus tested nursery stocks are very important, I think we always have reservations and doubts in the back of our mind when we are sourcing material from any situation.
- Leafroll matters because it affects grape quantity and quality; therefore, vine quality and cost.
- Leafroll matters because of its possible transmission to a previously healthy vineyard, putting other blocks, growers/producers at risk.
- Virus tested nursery stocks play a critical role in obtaining clean plant material. The continual retesting of mother blocks is also paramount to moving toward less leafroll in the field.
- Planting clean stock would be a good start for an effective leafroll disease management program, and then removing any host plants in the surrounding area.
- Virus tested nursery stocks are extraordinarily important. I feel it should almost be mandatory and expected.

## The certification discussion and the future: Education is the key



 $c = d \times tpp$ 

 $d = \text{probability of detection (sampling)} = f(n, N, p, \theta)$ 

*tpp* = diagnostic true positive proportion



