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## Theory on derivation of standardization factors

Daughter yield deviations within country should be standardized by the standard deviation of the true sire effect - std(s). The following approximation of std(s) was considered: Assume, for a moment, that national proofs are obtained by a model similar to the international linear model.

Let	<b>Y</b> :	daughter yield deviations
	s:	true sire effect
	b:	various fixed effects
	e:	residual
	P:	national proof (estimated transmitting ability)
	Var(Y):	variance of daughter yield deviations
	Var(s):	variance of sire true transmitting ability
	Var(P):	variance of sire estimated transmitting ability (proof)
	Var(e):	variance of residual
	n:	number of daughters
	k:	var(e) / Var(s)
	R:	accuracy of national proof as if it were by a sire (international) model

The equivalent model is: Y = b + s + e

Then Var(Y) = Var(s) + Var(e)/n= Var(s) + (k/n)\*Var(s)= ((n+k)/n)\*Var(s)=  $Var(s)/R^2$ 

or  $Var(s) = R^{2*}Var(Y)$ , but  $R^2$  by an animal model is different that what is inferred here, therefore  $R^2$  is expressed as the ratio Var(P)/Var(s) and

 $Var(s) = (Var(P)*Var(Y))^{1/2}$  and  $std(s) = (std(P)*std(Y))^{1/2}$ 

The Y variable vector is then divided by std(s) within country. The same std(s) is later used for back transforming international proofs to any country's unit equivalent.