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Genome-based genetic evaluation

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Learning objectives

- Understand limitations of estimates from the pedigree-based model → why we would need genome-based model
- Understand how to combine phenotype information from all relatives connected via genomic data
- Practice inference of breeding values with the genome-based model
 - simple cases using R matrix algebra
 - using other packages

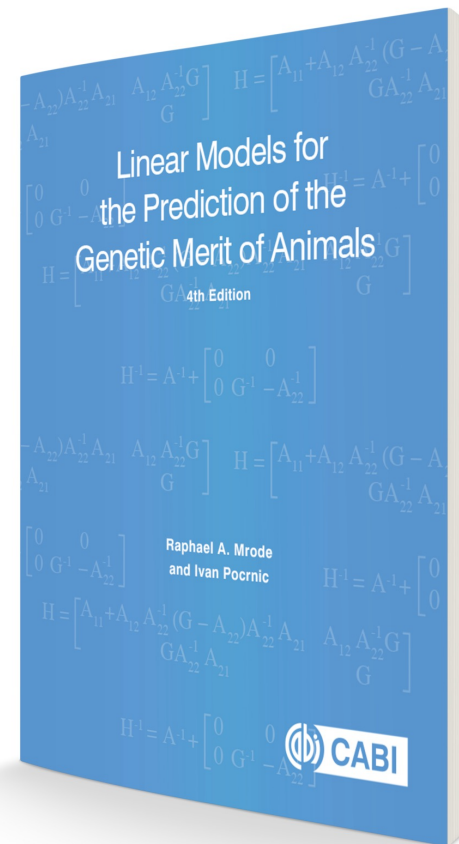
Linear Models for the Prediction of the Genetic Merit of Animals

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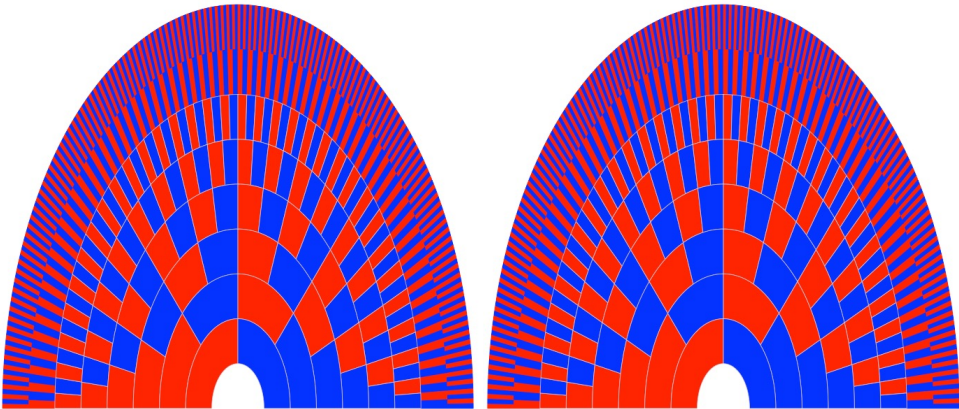
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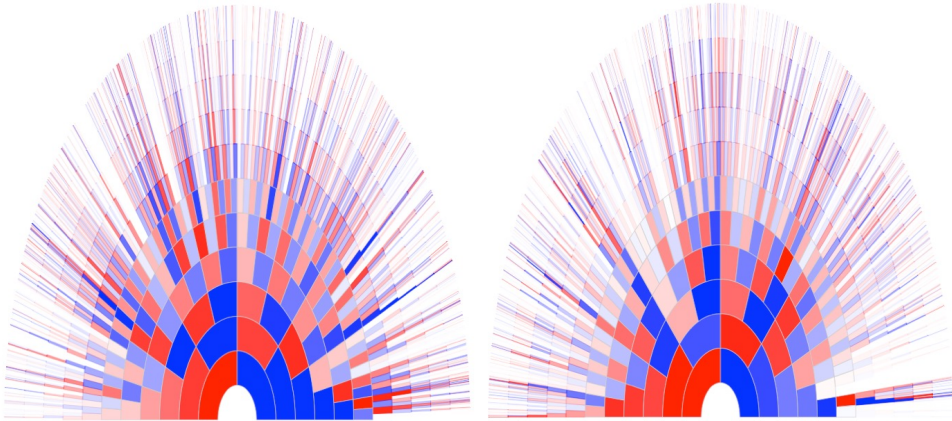
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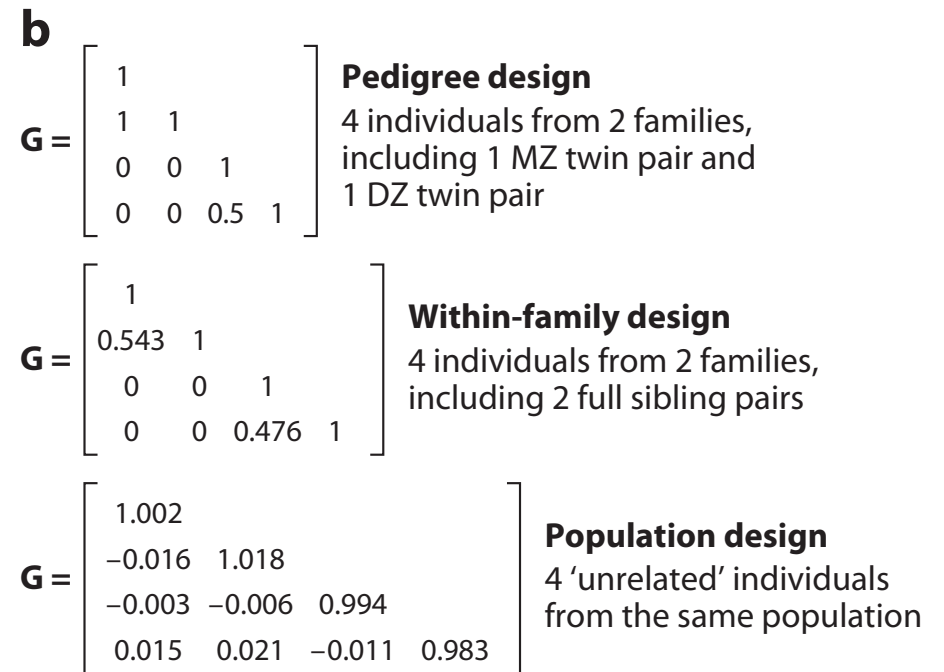
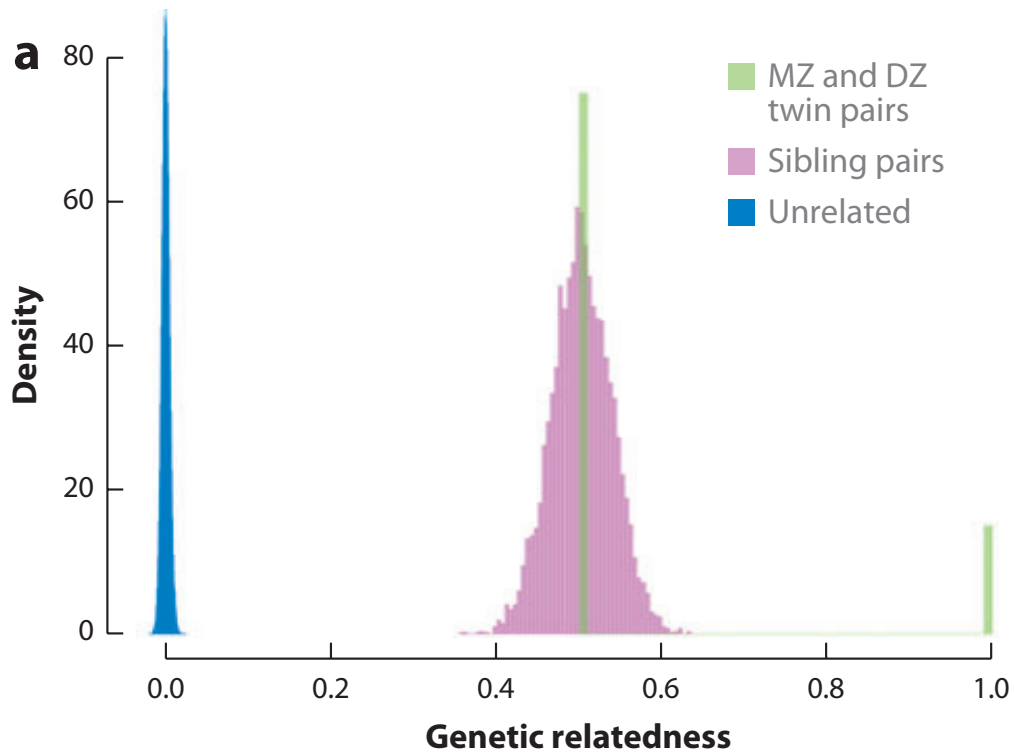


Realised



Coop (2013)

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Vinkhuyzen et al. (2013)

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- **When we fit the model, we *aposteriori* estimate “realised” deviations**
(phenotype resemblance updates assumed pedigree relationships)
→ the more information per individual, the higher accuracy

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 - Zero accuracy of estimated breeding values within a family with progeny prediction!!! → we can not differentiate full-sibs :((progeny prediction does not capture Mendelian sampling terms, so genomic data can add a lot of information)

Limitations with pedigree-based model

- Pedigree could be
 - wrong!
 - partially missing
 - missing altogether!
- Genomic data should help with all the mentioned issues!

Data

Recall the 0/1 encoding of haplotypes and 0/1/2 encoding of genotypes

Haplotype 1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Haplotype 2	1	1	1	1	0	0
Genotype	1	2	2	1	0	1

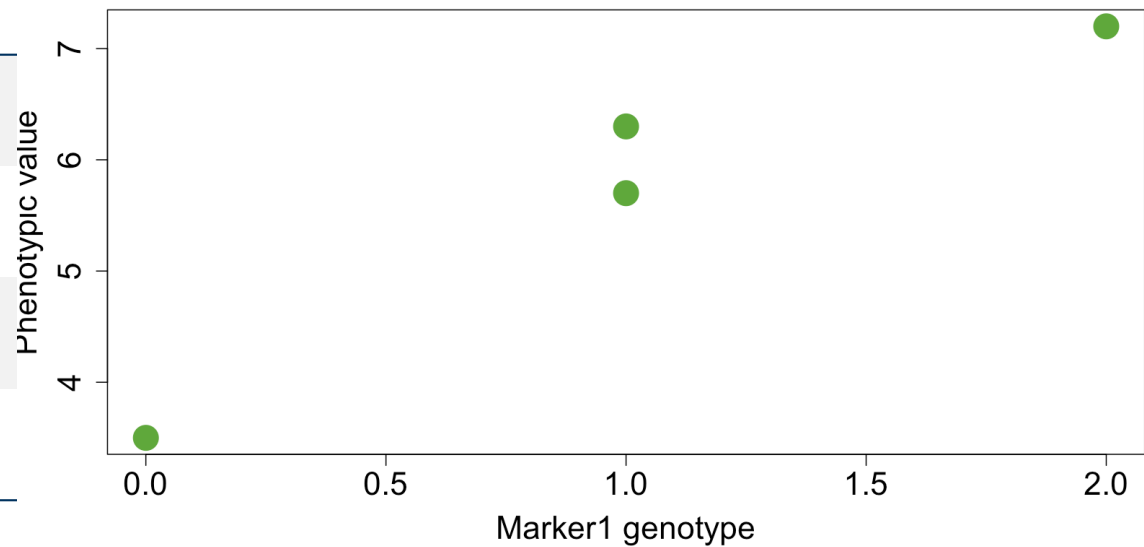
Data - example

ID	Pheno	Marker1	Marker2	Marker3	Marker4	Marker5
1	7.2	2	2	2	0	1
2	3.5	0	2	1	1	0
3	5.7	1	1	1	1	1
4	6.3	2	1	0	1	2

How could we model this data?

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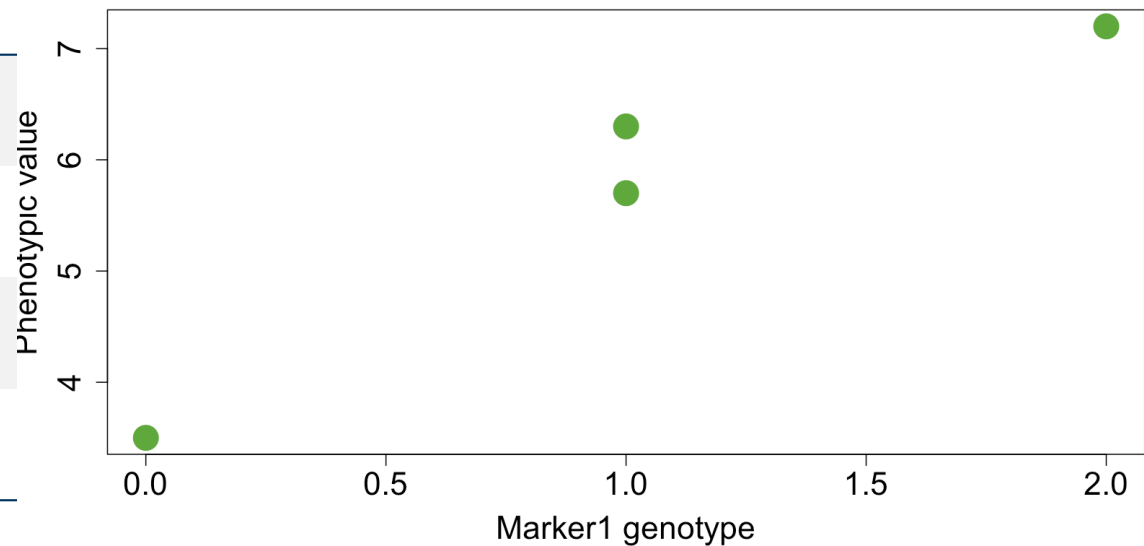
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- We have:
 - continuous variable (Pheno) → response
 - continuous variable (Marker1) → covariate

Linear regression (single marker)

- Estimating the association between phenotypic value and marker 1 genotypes (as allele dosage)

$$y_1 = 7.2 = \mu + 2\alpha_1 + e_1$$

$$y_2 = 3.5 = \mu + 0\alpha_1 + e_2$$

$$y_3 = 5.7 = \mu + 1\alpha_1 + e_3$$

$$y_4 = 6.3 = \mu + 2\alpha_1 + e_4$$

$$e_i \sim N(0, \sigma_e^2)$$

- Assuming causality, α is allele substitution effect

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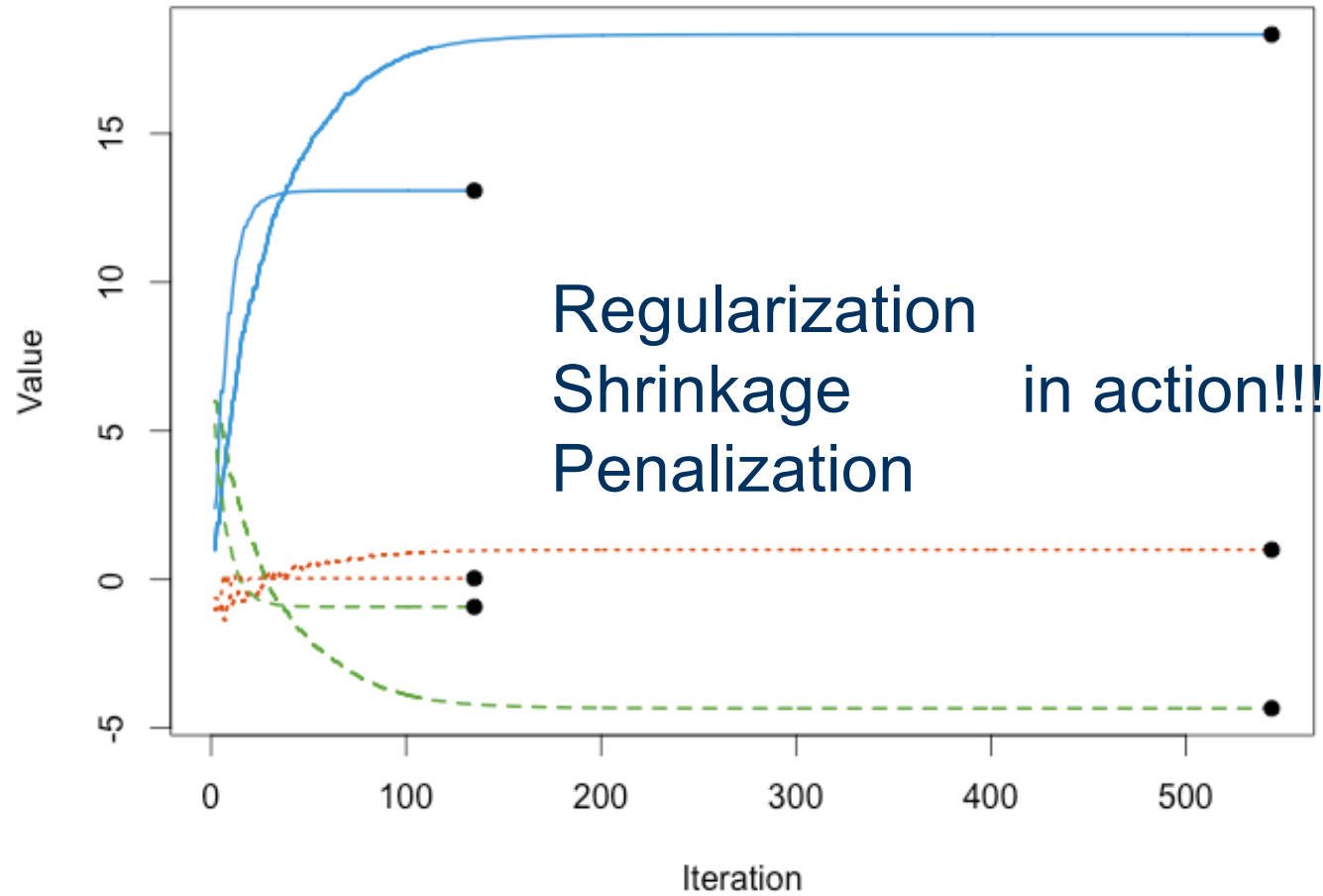
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Role of the prior for marker effects $\alpha \sim N(\mathbf{0}, I\sigma_\alpha^2)$



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Prediction of genomic prediction accuracy (“global”)

- Effective no. of chr. segments

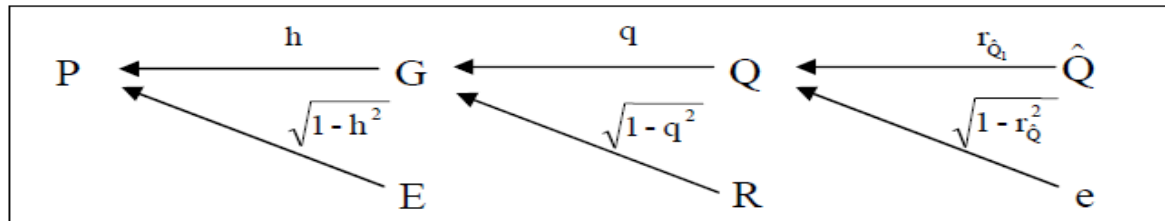
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- Prop. of genetic variance captured by markers

$$q^2 = M / (M + M_e)$$

- Reliability of GEBV $R^2 = T / (1 + T), T = n q^2 h^2 / M_e$

- Reliability of EBV $R^2 = (T / (1 + T)) q^2$



Goddard (2011), Dekkers (2007)

Inputs

- M no. of genome-wide markers
- N_e effective population size
- L average size of chromosomes in Morgans
- C no. of chromosomes
- h^2 heritability of training phenotypes
- n no. of training individuals

Maize example (train and predict in family)

- M no. of genome-wide markers = 200
- N_e effective population size = 1
- L average size of chromosomes = 2
- C no. of chromosomes = 10
- h² heritability of phenotype included into training = 0.25
- n no. of training individuals = 100
- **Effective no. of chr. segments**
 $M_e = 2N_eLC / \ln(N_eL) = 2 \times 1 \times 2 \times 10 / \ln(1 \times 2) = 58$
- **Prop. of genetic variance captured by markers**
 $q^2 = M / (M + M_e) = 200 / (200 + 58) = 0.76$
- **Reliability of GEBV**
 $R^2 \approx T / (1 + T)$, $T = nq^2h^2 / M_e$
 $T = 100 \times 0.76 \times 0.25 / 58 = 0.34$, $R^2 \approx 0.25$, $r \approx 0.5$
- **Reliability of EBV**
 $R^2 \approx (T / (1 + T))q^2 = 0.19$, $r \approx 0.44$

Maize example (predict from other families)

- M no. of genome-wide markers = 10,000
- N_e effective population size = 50
- L average size of chromosomes = 2
- C no. of chromosomes = 10
- h² heritability of phenotype included into training = 0.25
- n no. of training individuals = 2000
- **Effective no. of chr. segments**
 $M_e = 2N_eLC / \ln(N_eL) = 2 \times 50 \times 2 \times 10 / \ln(50 \times 2) = 434$
- **Prop. of genetic variance captured by markers**
 $q^2 = M / (M + M_e) = 10000 / (10000 + 434) = 0.96$
- **Reliability of GEBV**
 $R^2 \approx T / (1 + T)$, $T = nq^2h^2 / M_e$
 $T = 2000 \times 0.96 \times 0.25 / 434 = 1.1$, $R^2 \approx 0.53$, $r \approx 0.72$
- **Reliability of EBV**
 $R^2 \approx (T / (1 + T))q^2 = 0.50$, $r \approx 0.71$

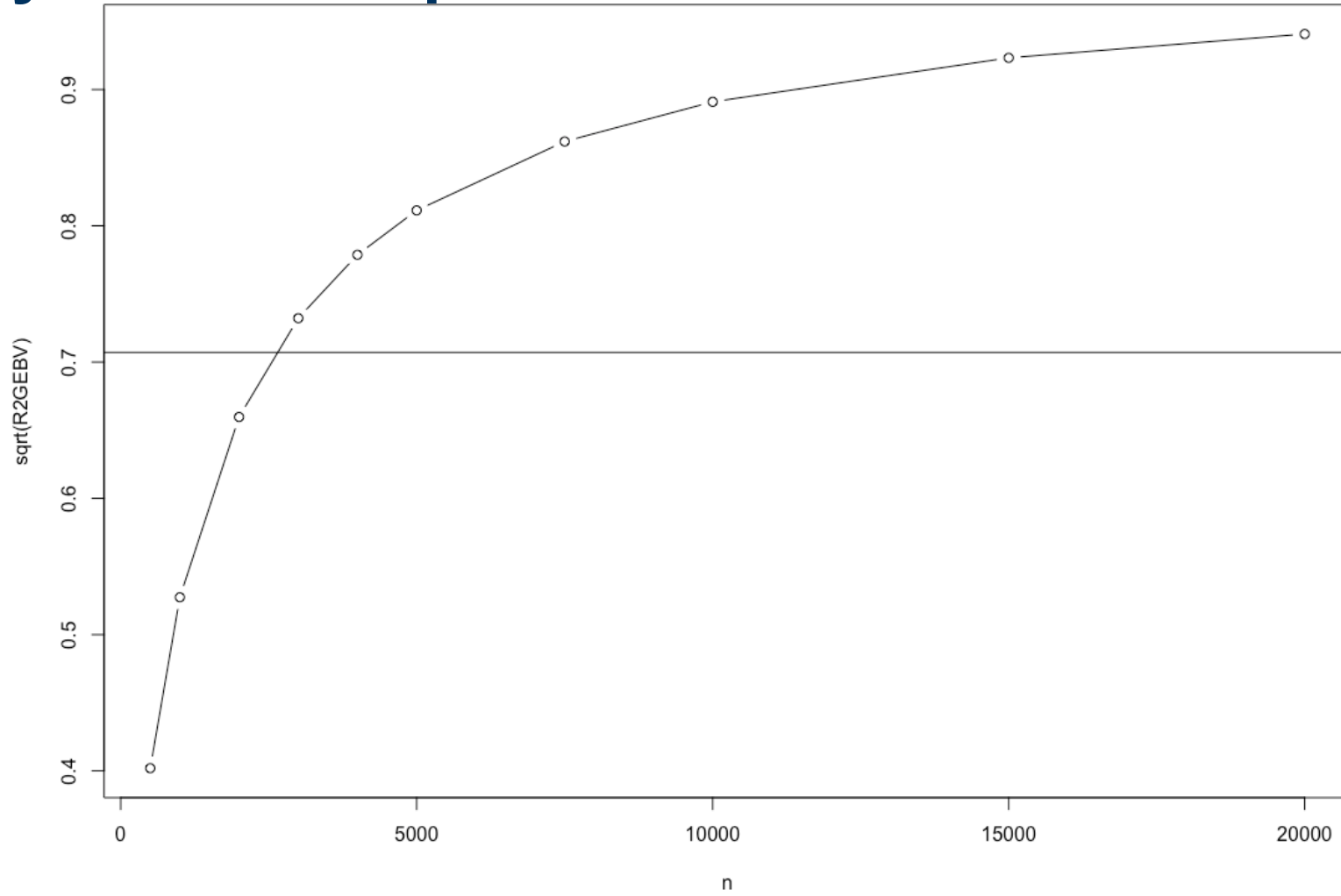
Dairy bulls example

- M no. of genome-wide markers = 50,000
- N_e effective population size = 50
- L average size of chromosomes = 1
- C no. of chromosomes = 30
- h² heritability of phenotype included into training = 0.80
- n no. of training individuals = 1000
- **Effective no. of chr. segments**
 $M_e = 2N_eLC / \ln(N_eL) = 2 \times 50 \times 1 \times 30 / \ln(50 \times 1) = 767$
- **Prop. of genetic variance captured by markers**
 $q^2 = M / (M + M_e) = 50,000 / (50,000 + 767) = 0.98$
- **Reliability of GEBV**
 $R^2 \approx T / (1 + T)$, $T = nq^2h^2 / M_e$
 $T = 1000 \times 0.98 \times 0.80 / 767 = 1.02$, $R^2 \approx 0.50$, $r \approx 0.71$
- **Reliability of EBV**
 $R^2 \approx (T / (1 + T))q^2 = 0.50$, $r \approx 0.70$

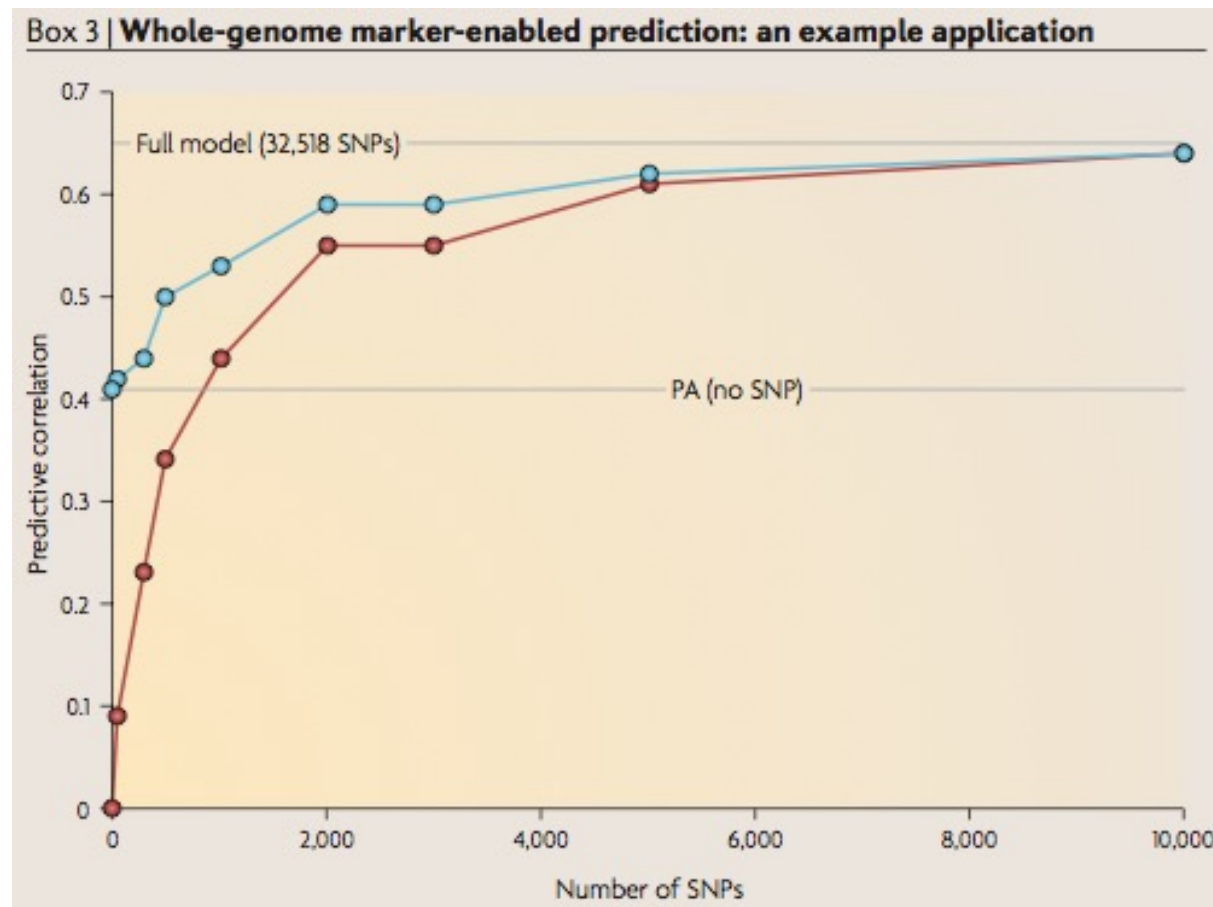
Dairy cows example

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- N_e effective population size = 50
- L average size of chromosomes = 1
- C no. of chromosomes = 30
- h² heritability of phenotype included into training = 0.30
- n no. of training individuals = ??? How many to get R² EBV of 0.50???
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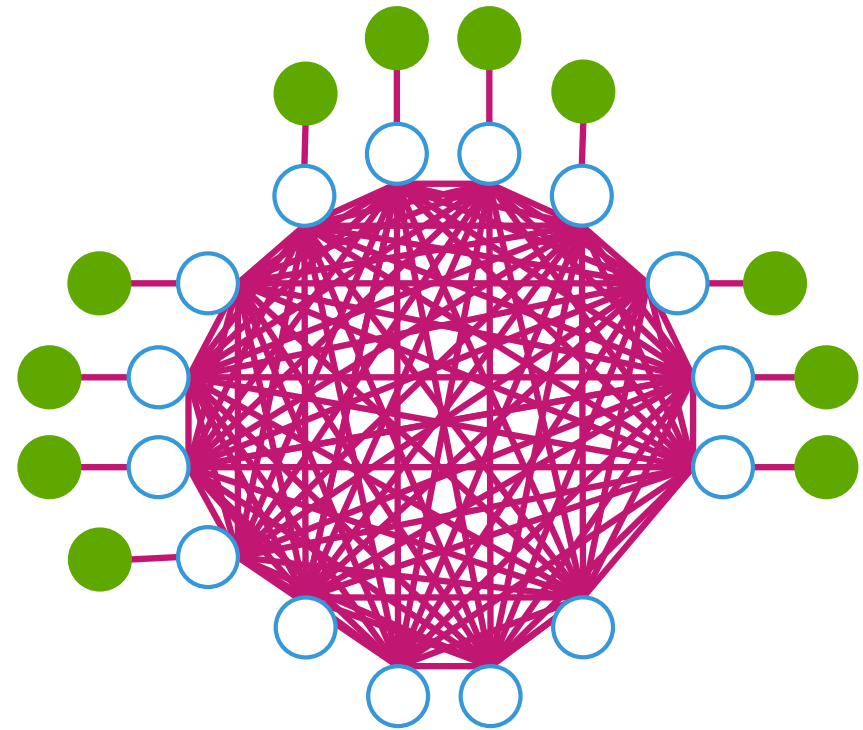
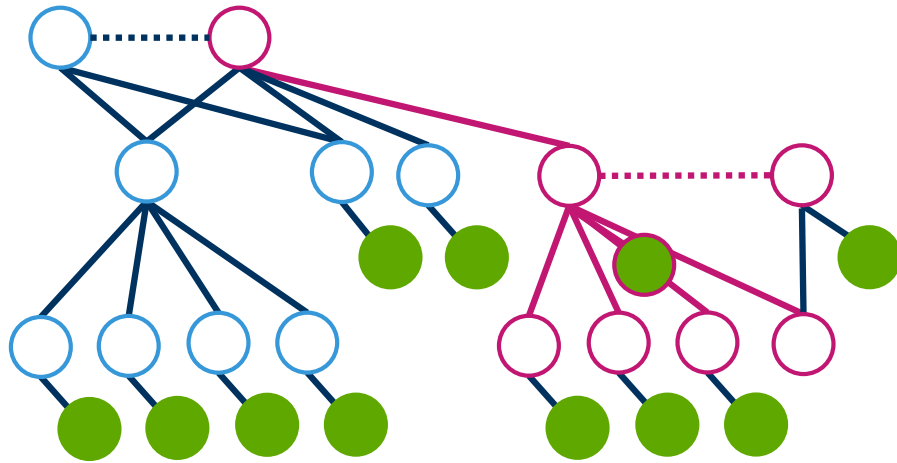


~10,000 *good*** markers works quite well**



de Los Campos et al. (2010)

Information for an individual – pedigree vs. genomics



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similar to NRM matrix

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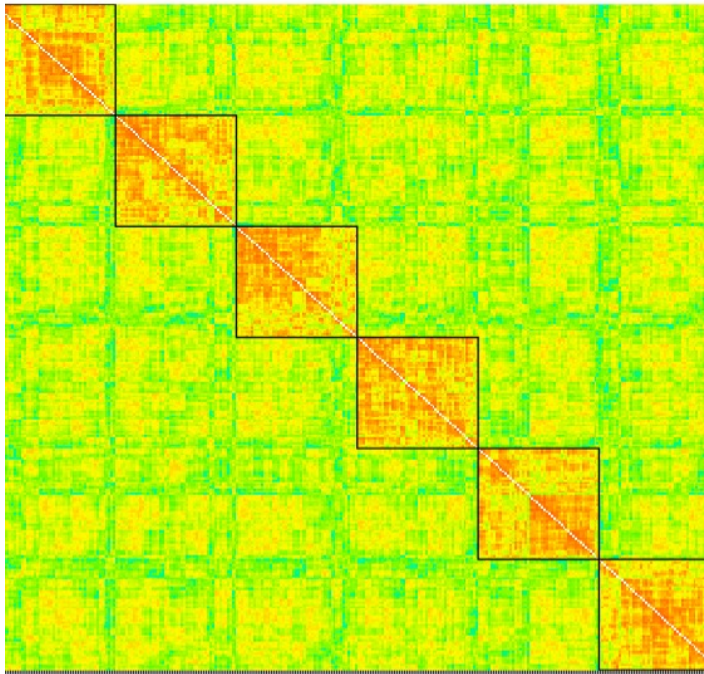
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– covariance $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{W}) = \mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{W} - E(\mathbf{W}))^T (\mathbf{W} - E(\mathbf{W})) / (n - 1)$

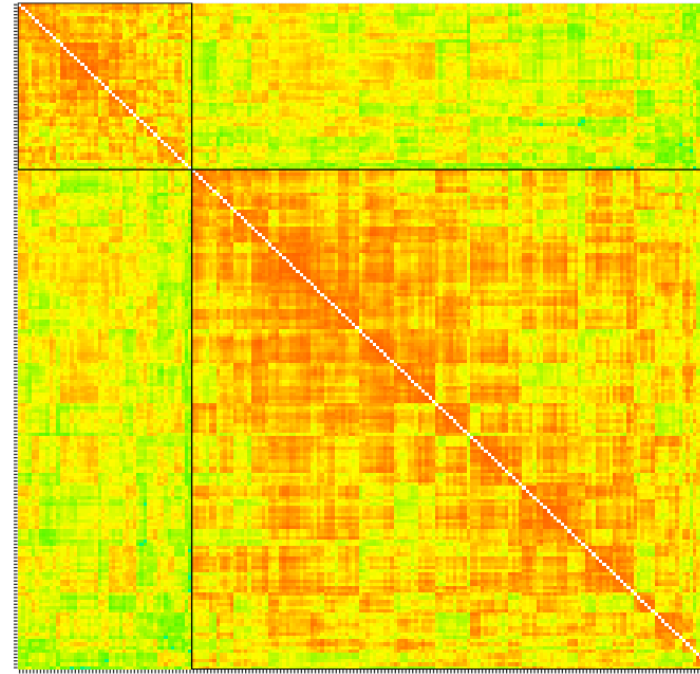
– correlation $\text{Cor}(\mathbf{W}) = \text{diag}(\mathbf{C})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{C} \text{diag}(\mathbf{C})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

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 - correlation $\text{Cor}(\mathbf{W}^T) = \text{diag}(\mathbf{C})^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{C}\text{diag}(\mathbf{C})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
- Covariance-like coefficients
between individuals
($n\text{Ind} \times n\text{Ind}$)
similar to **NRM** matrix

I want the genome-based NRM
(following the pedigree-based NRM)!?

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 - VanRaden 1 (to match pedigree NRM)
$$\mathbf{G} = (\mathbf{W} - E(\mathbf{W}))(\mathbf{W} - E(\mathbf{W}))^T / \sum diag(Cov(\mathbf{W}))$$
$$E(\mathbf{W}_i) = 2p_i$$
$$Var(\mathbf{W}_i) = 2p_iq_i(1 + F_i)$$
 - Many other versions!!!

Genome-based NRM

- Whatever the choice, there is useful information in **G**!
- Take a trio of diploid individuals and use [-1, 0, 1] coding in **w**

$$\mathbf{w}_{f(i)} = \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1} + \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}$$

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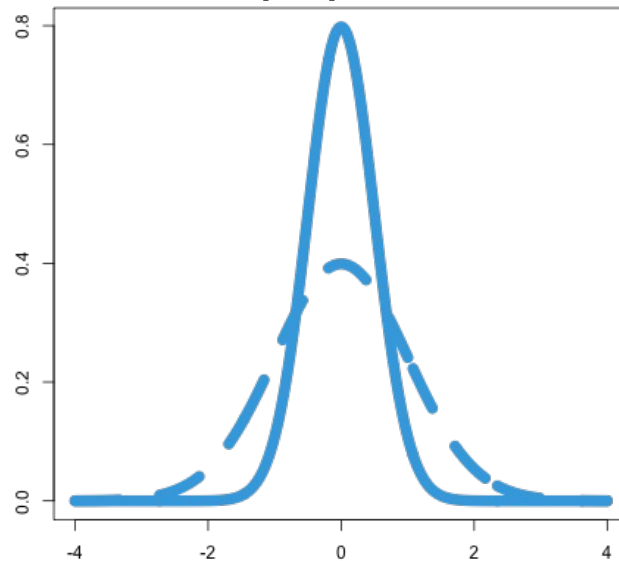
- Realised shared number of alleles between individuals

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}_{f(i)}\mathbf{w}_{f(i)}^T & & \text{sym.} \\ \mathbf{w}_{m(i)}\mathbf{w}_{f(i)}^T & \mathbf{w}_{m(i)}\mathbf{w}_{m(i)}^T & \\ \mathbf{w}_i\mathbf{w}_{f(i)}^T & \mathbf{w}_i\mathbf{w}_{m(i)}^T & \mathbf{w}_i\mathbf{w}_i^T \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Diagonal: prior variances indicating how much individual breeding values **could** deviate from population mean

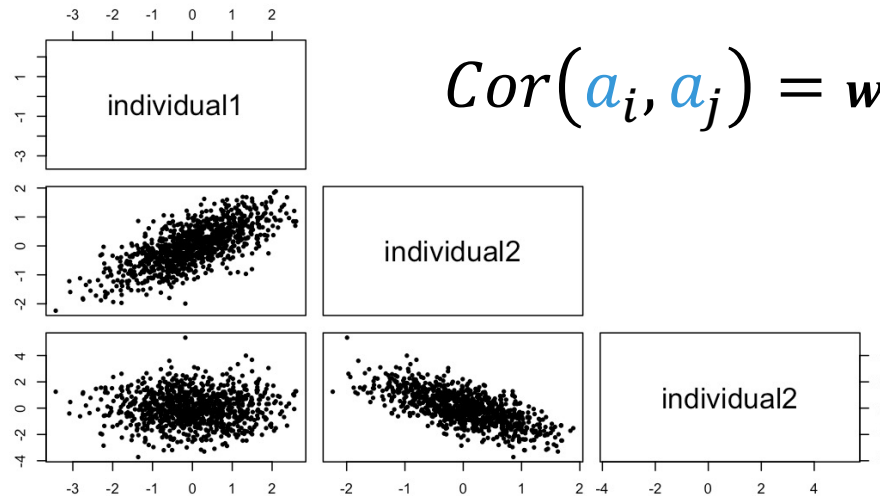


$$a_i \sim N(0, \mathbf{w}_i\mathbf{w}_i^T \sigma_\alpha^2)$$

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- Off-diagonal: prior co-variances indicating how much individual breeding values **could** correlate compared to the “average pair”



$$Cor(a_i, a_j) = \mathbf{w}_i\mathbf{w}_j^T / \sqrt{\mathbf{w}_i\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{w}_j\mathbf{w}_j^T}$$

Genome-based NRM - gametic relationships

- If genotypes are phased we can build gametic relationships

$$\mathbf{w}_{f(i)} = \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1} + \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}$$

$$\mathbf{w}_{m(i)} = \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1} + \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2}$$

$$\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{w}_{i,1} + \mathbf{w}_{i,2}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccccc} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1}^T & & & & & \\ \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}^T & & & & \\ \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}^T & \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1} \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1}^T & & & \\ \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}^T & \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2} \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2} \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2}^T & & \\ \mathbf{w}_{i,1} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,1} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,1} \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,1} \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,1} \mathbf{w}_{i,1}^T & \\ \mathbf{w}_{i,2} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,2} \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,2} \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,2} \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,2} \mathbf{w}_{i,1}^T & \mathbf{w}_{i,2} \mathbf{w}_{i,2}^T \end{array} \right) \text{sym.}$$

→ How much gametes/genomes could deviate or correlate

Genome-based NRM – between & within family

$$\mathbf{w}_{f(i)} = \mathbf{w}_{f(i),1} + \mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}$$

$$\mathbf{w}_{m(i)} = \mathbf{w}_{m(i),1} + \mathbf{w}_{m(i),2}$$

$$\mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{w}_{i,1} + \mathbf{w}_{i,2}$$

- Expected genotype (=parent average) & deviation (=Mendelian sampling)

$$E(\mathbf{w}_i) = E\left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i)} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{m(i)} + \mathbf{w}_i^r\right) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i)} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{m(i)}$$

→ How many alt. alleles do we expect from parents (vs. mean)

$$\mathbf{w}_i^r = \mathbf{w}_i - \left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i)} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{m(i)}\right)$$

→ How many more or less alt. alleles did individual get

Genome-based NRM – between & within family

- Expected genotype (=parent average) & deviation (=Mendelian sampling) per genome

$$E(\mathbf{w}_{i,1}) = E\left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i),1} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i),2} + \mathbf{w}_{i,1}^r\right) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i),1} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}$$
$$\mathbf{w}_{i,1}^r = \mathbf{w}_{i,1} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i),1} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{f(i),2}\right)$$

→ from father

$$E(\mathbf{w}_{i,2}) = E\left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{m(i),1} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{m(i),2} + \mathbf{w}_{i,2}^r\right) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{m(i),1} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}_{m(i),2}$$
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→ from mother

Genome-based NRM variants & interpretation

- Centering shifts reference population

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{W}\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \mathbf{e} \\ &= \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{W}\boldsymbol{\alpha} - E(\mathbf{W})\boldsymbol{\alpha} + E(\mathbf{W})\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \mathbf{e} \\ &= \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + (\mathbf{W} - E(\mathbf{W}))\boldsymbol{\alpha} + E(\mathbf{W})\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \mathbf{e} \\ &= \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + (\mathbf{W} - E(\mathbf{W}))\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{e} \\ &= (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) + (\mathbf{W} - E(\mathbf{W}))\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \mathbf{e} \\ &= \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}^c + \mathbf{W}^c\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \mathbf{e} \end{aligned}$$

Genome-based NRM variants & interpretation

- Scaling changes variance meaning

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\mathbf{a}) &= \text{Var}(\mathbf{W}\boldsymbol{\alpha}) \\ &= \mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^T \sigma_{\alpha}^2 \\ &= \mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^T \sigma_{\alpha}^2 k \frac{1}{k} \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^T}{k} \sigma_{\alpha}^2 k \\ &= \mathbf{G} \sigma_a^{2*} \\ k &= \sum 2p_i q_i \\ \sigma_a^{2*} &= \sigma_{\alpha}^2 \sum 2p_i q_i \end{aligned}$$

- Depending on k we can get very different estimates of σ_a^{2*} (genomic variance)
- Many pedigree and genomic variance comparisons may be dubious?



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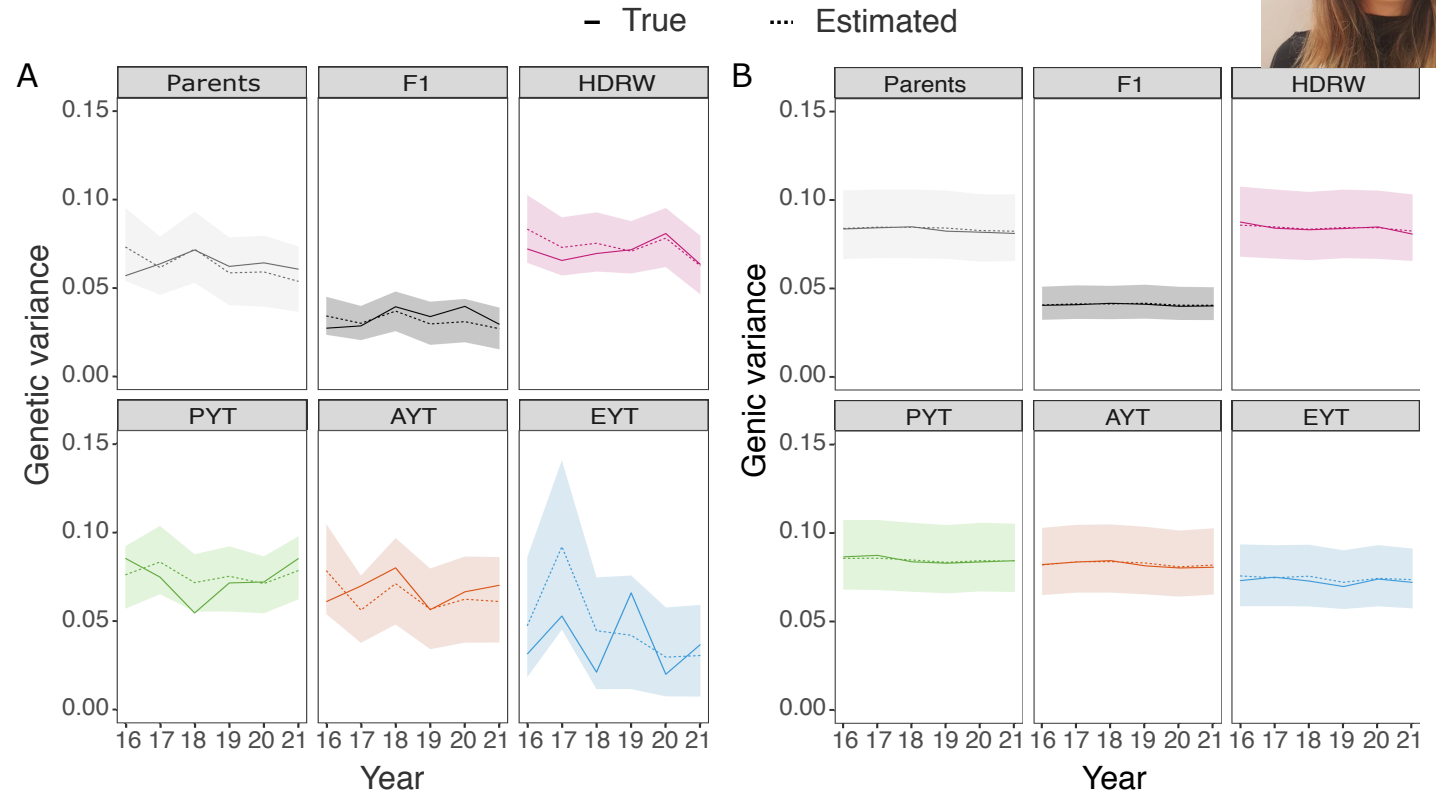
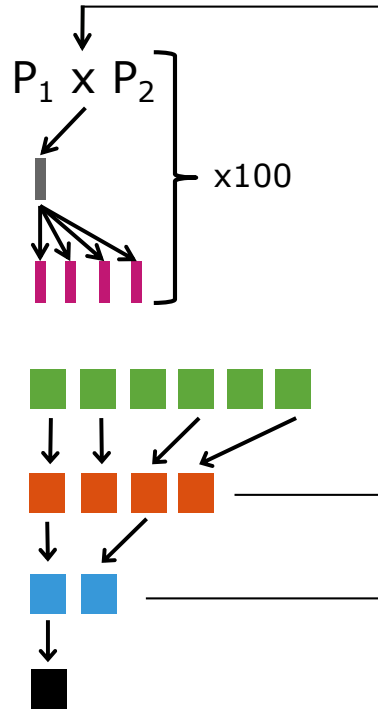
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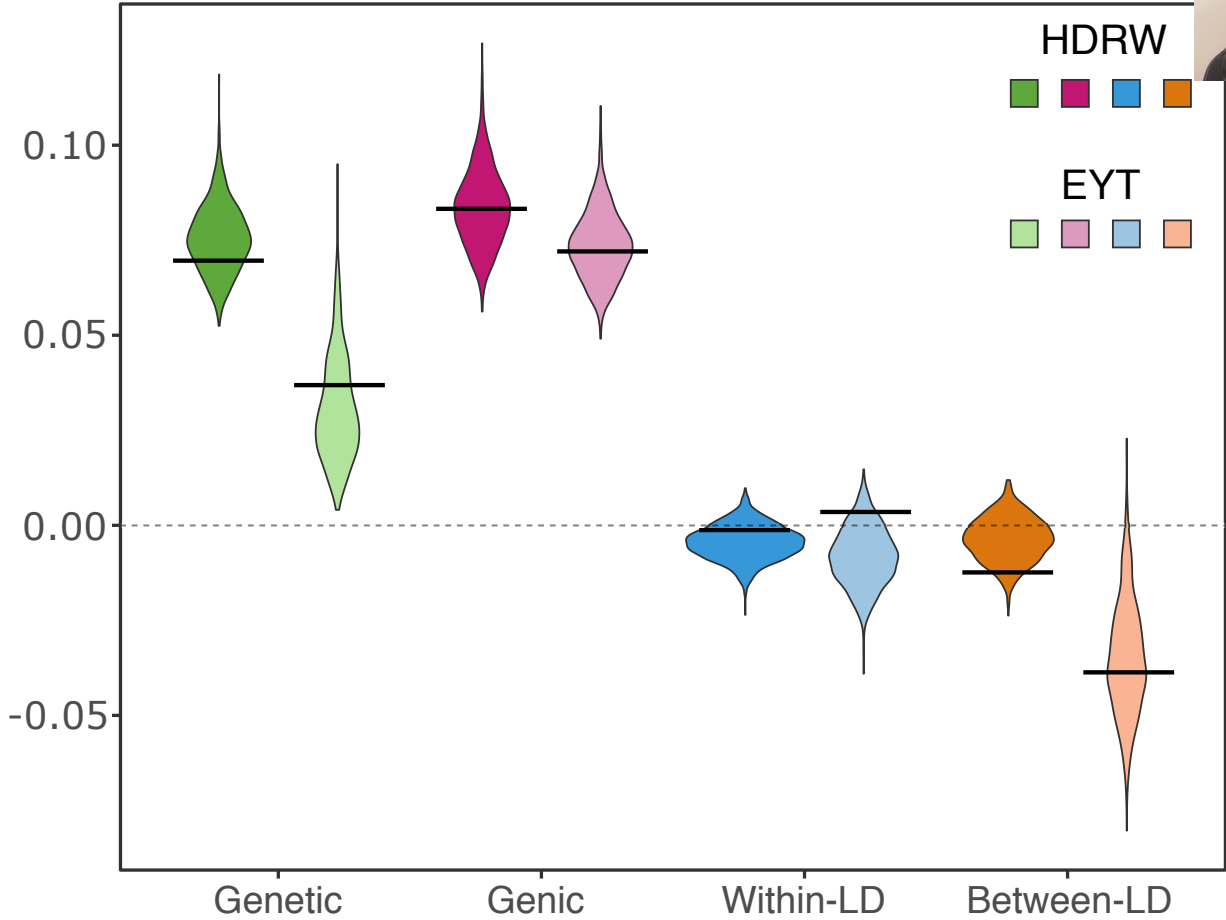
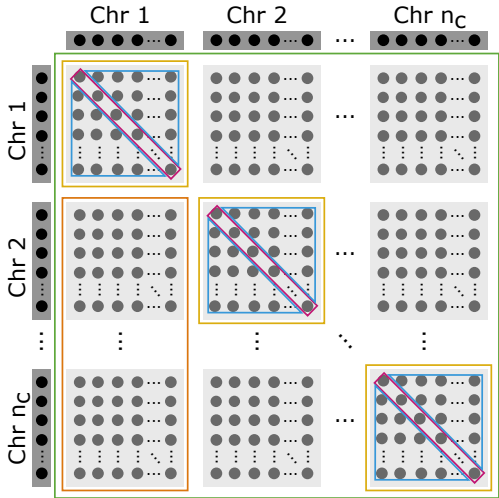
Temporal and genomic analysis of additive genetic variance in breeding programmes

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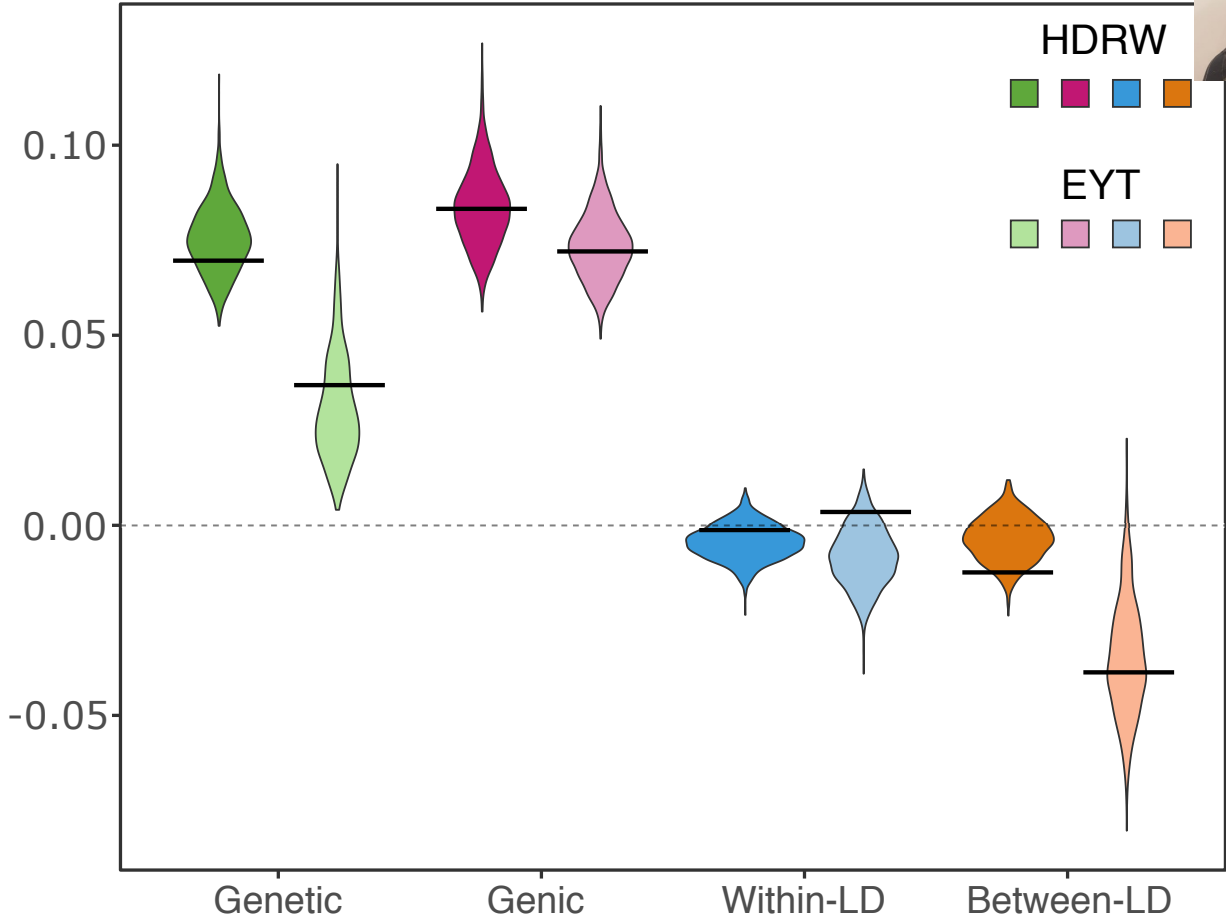
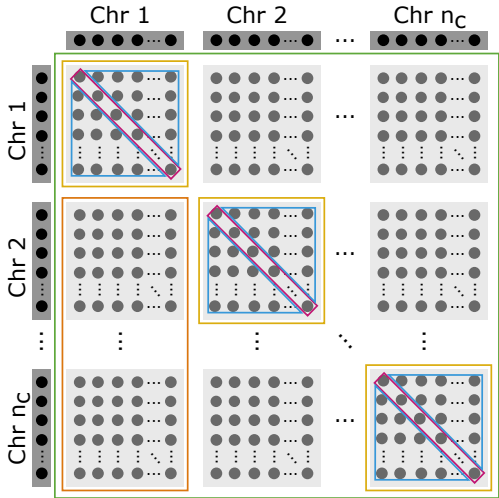
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Topics not covered

- “Bayesian models” – different assumptions about marker effects & commonly approached with methods used in Bayesian statistics (MCMC/VB)
- Single-step GBLUP (ssGBLUP and variants) – combining all phenotype, pedigree, and genomic data
- “APY”/SVD/... – approximations for large-scale
- Non-additive genetic or other effects
(note that α captures a bit of dominance, epistasis, GxE, ...)

Limitations with current genome-based models?

- Markers vs. QTL
- Admixed populations, multiple populations, ...
- Whole-genome sequence data
- ...

Learning objectives

- Understand limitations of estimates from the pedigree-based model → why we would need genome-based model
- Understand how to combine phenotype information from all relatives connected via genomic data
- Practice inference of breeding values with the genome-based model
 - simple cases using R matrix algebra
 - using other packages

Questions?!



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