

Introduction to ssGBLUP

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Our genetic model is:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{W}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{e}$$

\mathbf{y} = vector of phenotypes

$\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}$ = matrix relating \mathbf{y} with fixed effects in \mathbf{b}

$\mathbf{W}\mathbf{u}$ = matrix relating \mathbf{y} with random effects in \mathbf{u} , $Var(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{A}\sigma_u^2$

\mathbf{e} = vector of random errors, $Var(\mathbf{e}) = \mathbf{I}\sigma_e^2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{b}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Best: minimizes MSE

Linear: linear function of the data

Unbiased: $E(u) = E(\hat{u})$

Prediction: for random effects

$$u_i = u_{s_i} + u_{d_i}$$

$$p(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) = p(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{y})p(\mathbf{y}) = p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u})p(\mathbf{u})$$



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That BLUP Is a Good Thing: The Estimation of Random Effects

G. K. Robinson

- Unbalanced data and information from relatives

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h^2 is high

λ goes to zero

$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda$ goes to zero

“Relationships don’t matter”



$$\lambda = \frac{1 - h^2}{h^2}$$

h^2 is low

λ goes to infinity

$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda$ goes to infinity

“Relationships matter a lot”



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Genetic polymorphism in varietal identification and genetic improvement *

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Summary. New sources of genetic polymorphisms promise significant additions to the number of useful genetic markers in agricultural plants and animals, and prompt this review of potential applications of polymorphic genetic markers in plant and animal breeding. Two major areas of application can be distinguished. The first is based on the utilization of genetic markers to determine genetic relationships. These applications include varietal identification, protection of breeder's rights, and parentage determination. The second area of application is based on the use of genetic markers to identify and map loci affecting quantitative traits, and to monitor these loci during introgression or selection programs. A variety of breeding applications based on

- Use of DNA polymorphisms as genetic markers
- Construct genetic relationships
- Parentage determination
- Identification of QTL
- RFLP (expensive)



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Prediction of Maize Single-Cross Performance Using RFLPs and Information from Related Hybrids

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ABSTRACT

Methods for predicting hybrid yield would facilitate the identification of superior maize (*Zea mays* L.) single crosses. Best linear unbiased prediction of the performance of single crosses, based on (i) restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) data on the parental inbreds and (ii) yield data on a related set of single crosses, was evaluated. Yields of m single crosses were predicted as $y_M = C V^{-1} y_p$, where: $y_M = m \times 1$ vector of predicted yields of missing (i.e., no yield data available) single crosses; $C = m \times n$ matrix of genetic covariances between the missing and predictor hybrids; $V = n \times n$ matrix of phenotypic variances and covariances among predictor hybrids; and $y_p = n \times 1$ vector of predictor hybrid yields corrected for trial effects. From a set of 54 single crosses, made between six Iowa Stiff Stalk Synthetic (SSS) and nine non-SSS inbreds, 100 different sets of $n = 10, 15, 20, 25,$ or 30 predictor hybrids were chosen at random. Pooled correlations between predicted and observed yields of the remaining $(54 - n)$ hybrids ranged from 0.654 to 0.800. The correlations were slightly higher when dominance variance was included in the model or when coefficients of coancestry were determined from RFLP rather than pedigree data. The correlations remained relatively stable across different, arbitrary values of genetic variances. The results suggested that single-cross yield can be predicted effectively based on parental RFLP data and yields of a related set of hybrids.

marker dissimilarity between parents. Restriction fragment length polymorphisms have been found useful for assigning inbreds to heterotic groups as well as for determining relationships among inbreds in the same heterotic group (Smith et al., 1990; Melchinger et al., 1991; Dudley et al., 1991; Hogan and Dudley, 1992; Bernardo, 1993). But in theoretical (Bernardo, 1992; Charcosset et al., 1991) as well as empirical studies using RFLPs (Godshalk et al., 1990; Melchinger et al., 1990; Dudley et al., 1991), the correlations between single-cross yield and molecular marker dissimilarity between parents have been too low to be of any predictive value.

Although yield data may not be available for all possible single-cross combinations among available inbreds, some of these combinations already may have been evaluated by the breeder. For example, yield data may be available for 200 out of 2500 possible hybrids between 50 inbreds from X and 50 inbreds from Y. If information on the RFLP or pedigree relationships among the 100 parental inbreds is available, by best linear unbiased prediction (BLUP) (Henderson, 1975; 1985) the yield data on the 200 tested hybrids may be used to predict the yields of the remaining 2300 untested hybrids. The BLUP procedure, usually assuming an additive and intrapop-

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articles

Initial sequencing and analysis of the human genome

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The human genome holds an extraordinary trove of information about human development, physiology, medicine and evolution. Here we report the results of an international collaboration to produce and make freely available a draft sequence of the human genome. We also present an initial analysis of the data, describing some of the insights that can be gleaned from the sequence.

The rediscovery of Mendel's laws of heredity in the opening weeks of the 20th century¹⁻³ sparked a scientific quest to understand the nature and content of genetic information that has propelled biology for the last hundred years. The scientific progress made falls naturally into four main phases, corresponding roughly to the four quarters of the century. The first established the cellular basis of heredity: the chromosomes. The second defined the molecular basis of heredity: the DNA double helix. The third unlocked the informational basis of heredity, with the discovery of the biological mechanism by which cells read the information contained in genes and with the invention of the recombinant DNA technologies of cloning and sequencing by which scientists can do the same.

The last quarter of a century has been marked by a relentless effort to decipher first genes and then entire genomes, spawning the field of genomics. The fruits of this work already include the sequences of 599 viruses and viroids, 205 naturally occurring plasmids, 185 organelles, 31 eubacteria, seven archaea, two animals and one plant.

coordinate regulation of the genes in the clusters.

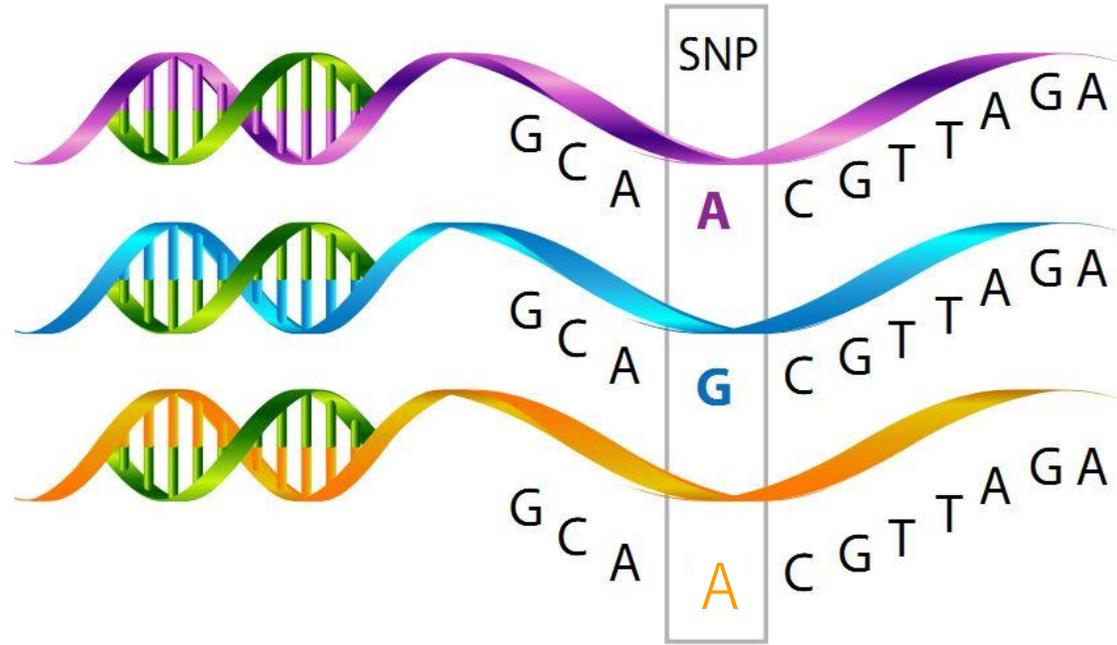
- There appear to be about 30,000–40,000 protein-coding genes in the human genome—only about twice as many as in worm or fly. However, the genes are more complex, with more alternative splicing generating a larger number of protein products.
- The full set of proteins (the 'proteome') encoded by the human genome is more complex than those of invertebrates. This is due in part to the presence of vertebrate-specific protein domains and motifs (an estimated 7% of the total), but more to the fact that vertebrates appear to have arranged pre-existing components into a richer collection of domain architectures.
- Hundreds of human genes appear likely to have resulted from gene duplications.

Here we report the results of a collaboration involving 20 countries from the United States, the United Kingdom, Japan, Germany and China to produce a draft sequence of the human genome. The draft genome sequence was generated from a physical map covering more than 96% of the euchromatic part of the genome and, together with additional sequence in public databases, it covers about 94% of the human genome. The sequence produced over a relatively short period, with coverage rising from about 10% to more than 90% over roughly fifteen months. Sequence data have been made available without restriction and updated daily throughout the project. The task ahead is to produce a finished sequence, by closing all gaps and resolving all ambiguities. Already about one billion bases are in final form and the bringing of the vast majority of the sequence to this standard is straightforward and should proceed rapidly.

The sequence of the human genome is of interest in many respects. It is the largest genome to be extensively sequenced, being 25 times as large as any previously sequenced genome and eight times as large as the sum of all such genomes. It is the first vertebrate genome to be extensively sequenced. And, uniquely, it is the genome of our own species.

Much work remains to be done to produce a complete sequence, but the vast trove of information that has become available through this collaborative effort allows a global perspective on the human genome. Although the details will change as the sequence is finished, many points are already clear.

- The genomic landscape shows marked variation in the distribution of a number of features, including genes, transposable elements, GC content, CpG islands and recombination rates. These give us important clues about function. For example, the developmentally important HOX gene clusters are the most repetitive regions of the human genome, probably reflecting the very c



<http://neuroendoimmune.files.wordpress.com/2014/03/snp.png>

Mutation < 1% < SNP

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Prediction of Total Genetic Value Using Genome-Wide Dense Marker Maps

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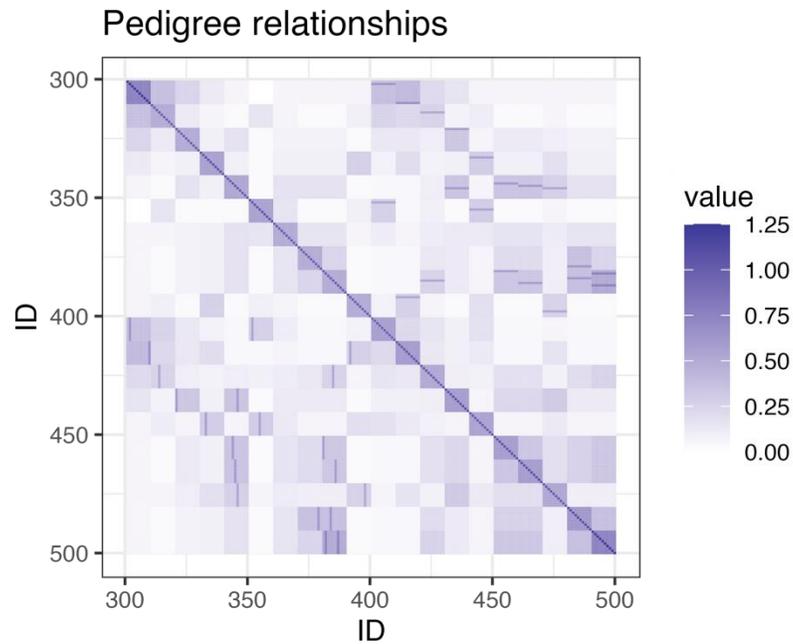


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Only for genotyped animals

- Better Mendelian sampling tracking

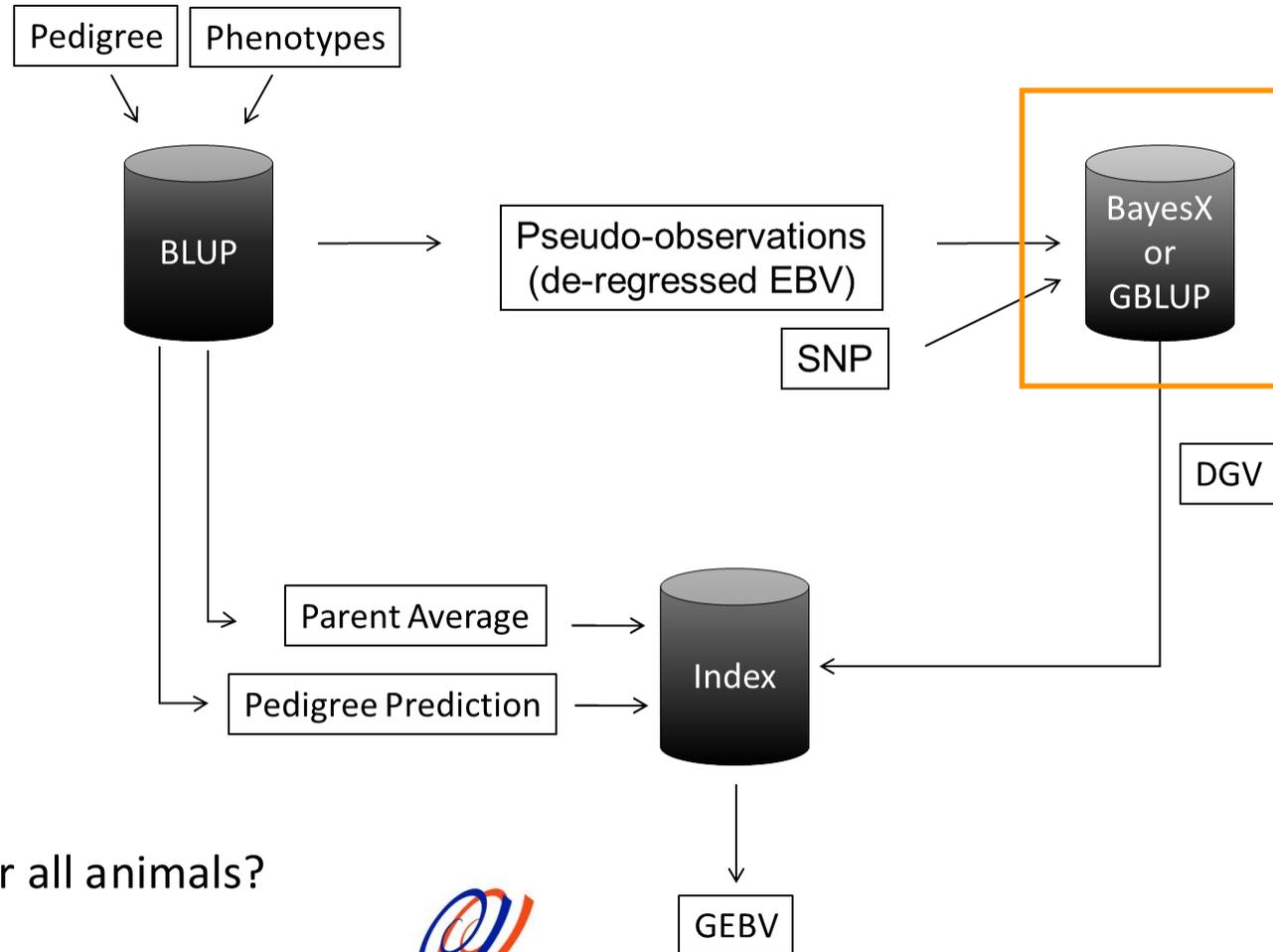


Bernardo, 1994
Nejati-Javaremi et al. (1997)
VanRaden, 2008

Lourenco et al. (2015)

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- In practice, not all individuals are genotyped



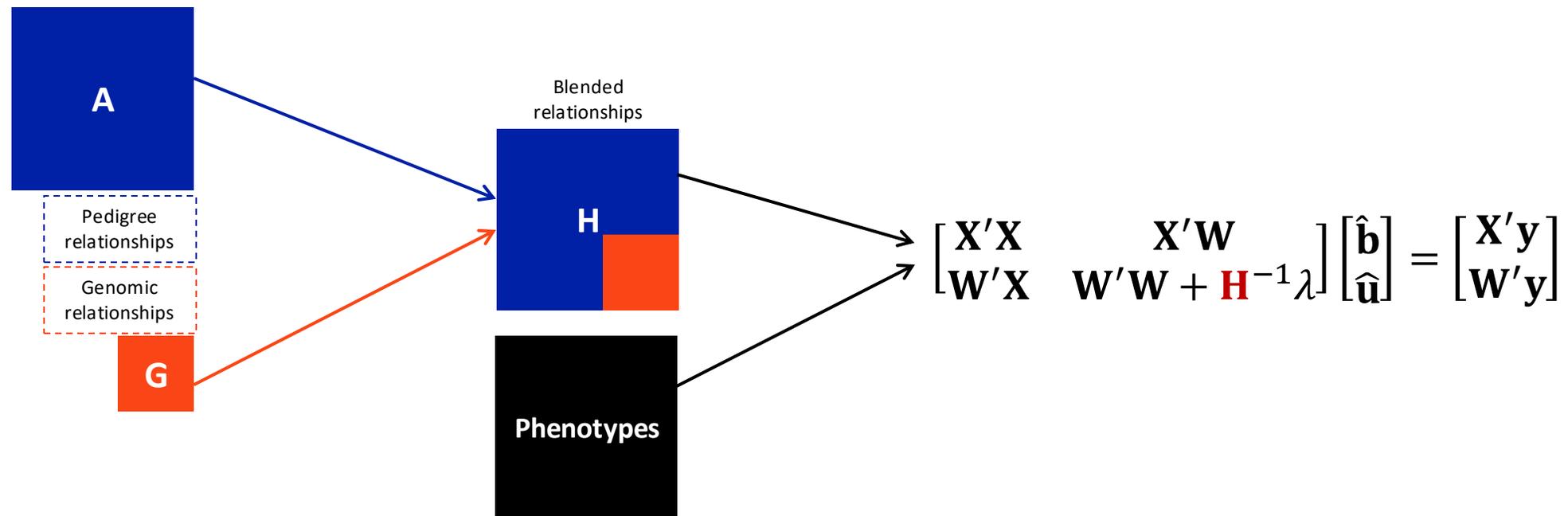
- How to obtain covariances for all animals?



Single-step Genomic BLUP

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- How to obtain covariances for all animals?



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- Genomic evaluation would be simpler if all individuals were genotyped
- What should be done when there are genotyped and non-genotyped individuals?
 - SNPs are capturing relationships
 - Pedigrees give information about relationships
 - Genomic and pedigree relationships can be combined in

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{A}_{12} \\ \mathbf{A}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Non-genotyped

Genotyped

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{A} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$



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- \mathbf{A} is the expectation of realized or observed relationships
- Consider \mathbf{A} as *prior* and \mathbf{G} as *observed* relationships, then construct *posterior* relationships

$$p(\mathbf{u}_2) = N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{G}\sigma_u^2)$$

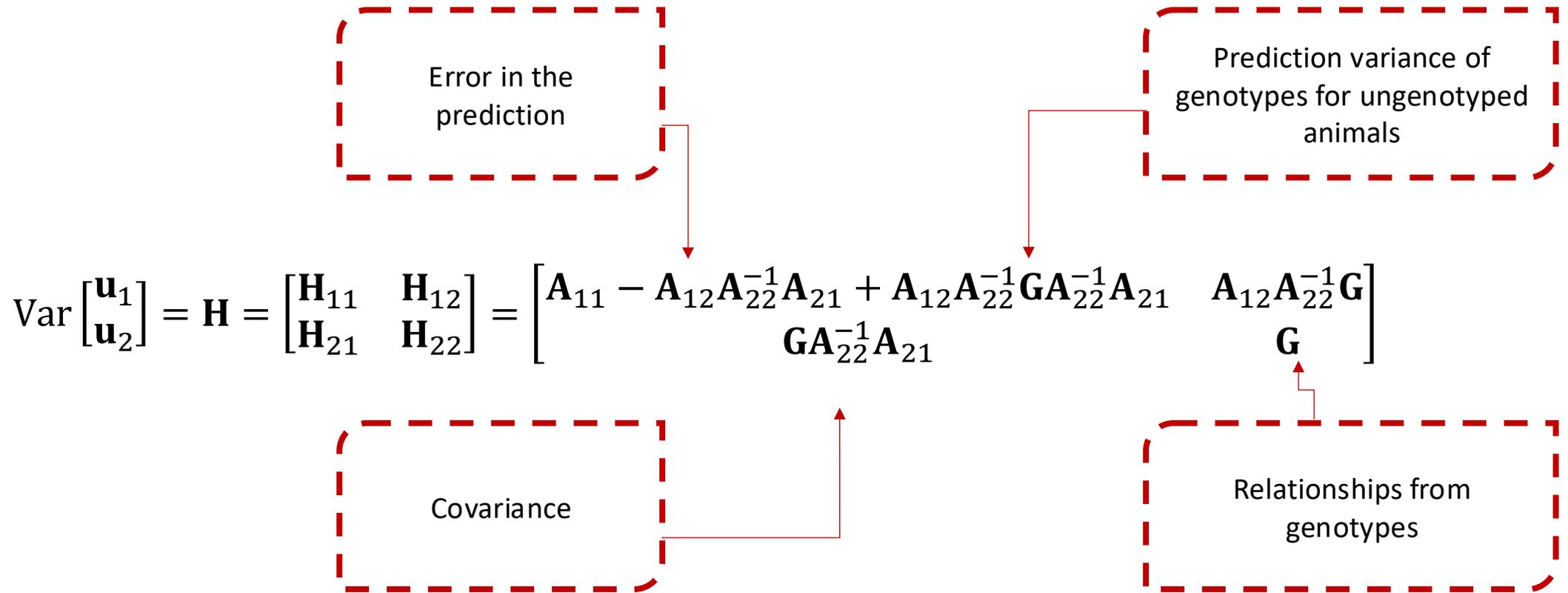
$$p(\mathbf{u}_1|\mathbf{u}_2) = N(\mathbf{A}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{A}_{11} - \mathbf{A}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{21})$$

$$p(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2) = p(\mathbf{u}_1|\mathbf{u}_2)p(\mathbf{u}_2)$$

$$\text{Var} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{H}_{21} & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} - \mathbf{A}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{21} + \mathbf{A}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{G} \\ \mathbf{G}\mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{21} & \mathbf{G} \end{bmatrix}$$



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But ... we need \mathbf{H}^{-1}



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Surprisingly...

$$\mathbf{H}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Animal	Sire	Dam
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	1	2
4	1	2

A

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.0 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ . & 1.0 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ . & . & 1.0 & 0.5 \\ . & . & . & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

G

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.52 \\ . & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

H

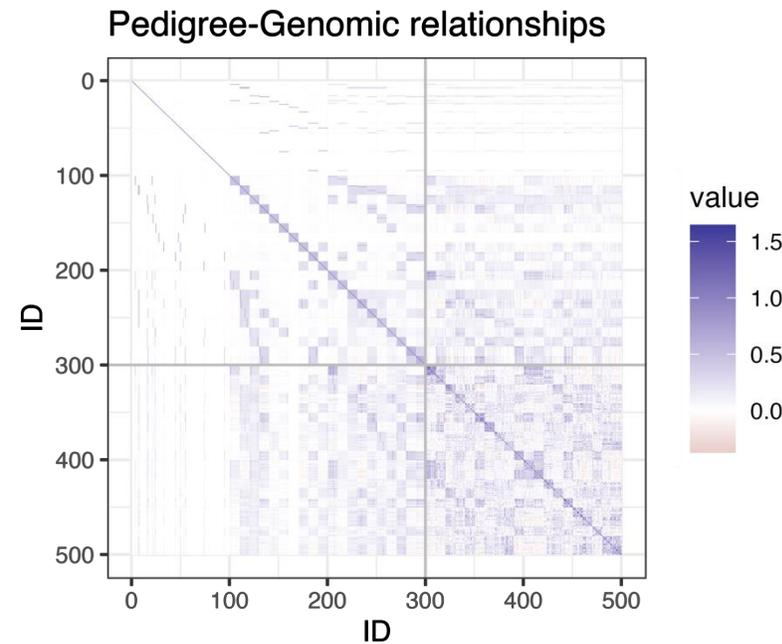
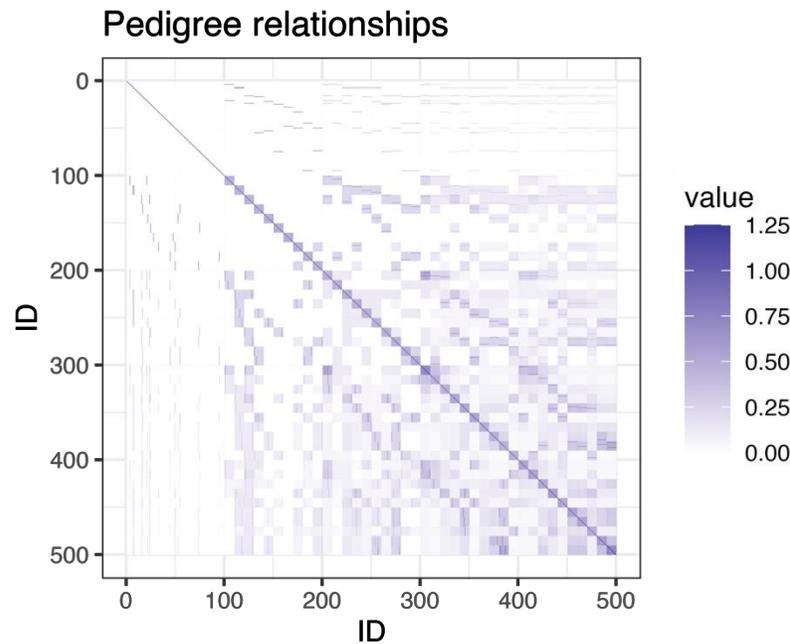
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.004 & 0.0 & 0.507 & 0.507 \\ . & 1.004 & 0.507 & 0.507 \\ . & . & 1.0 & 0.52 \\ . & . & . & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$



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- Projection of genomic relationships on the rest of individuals
- Bayesian update of \mathbf{A} based on new information from \mathbf{G}



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- **A**

- Contains expected relationships
- It is limited by the pedigree depth and completeness
- Depends on the accuracy of recording pedigrees

- **G**

- Contains the number of shared alleles between animals weighted by heterozygosity
- There are no limitations regarding the number of past generations
- It depends on allele frequency and quality of genomic data

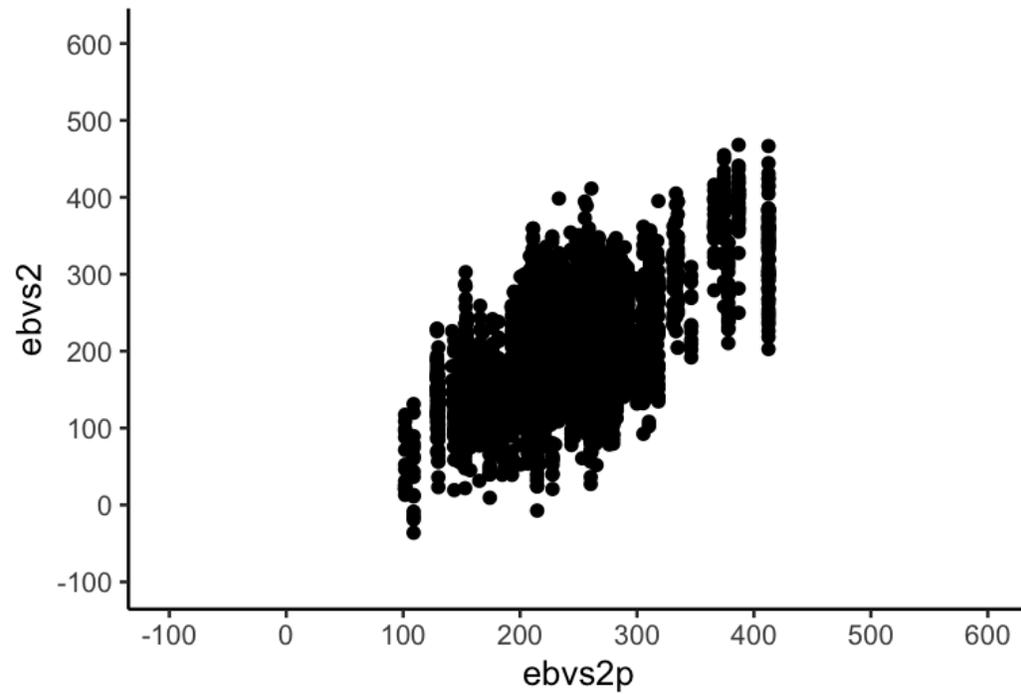
- **H**

- Projection of genomic relationships on the ungenotyped individuals
- Bayesian updating of **A** based on new information from **G**

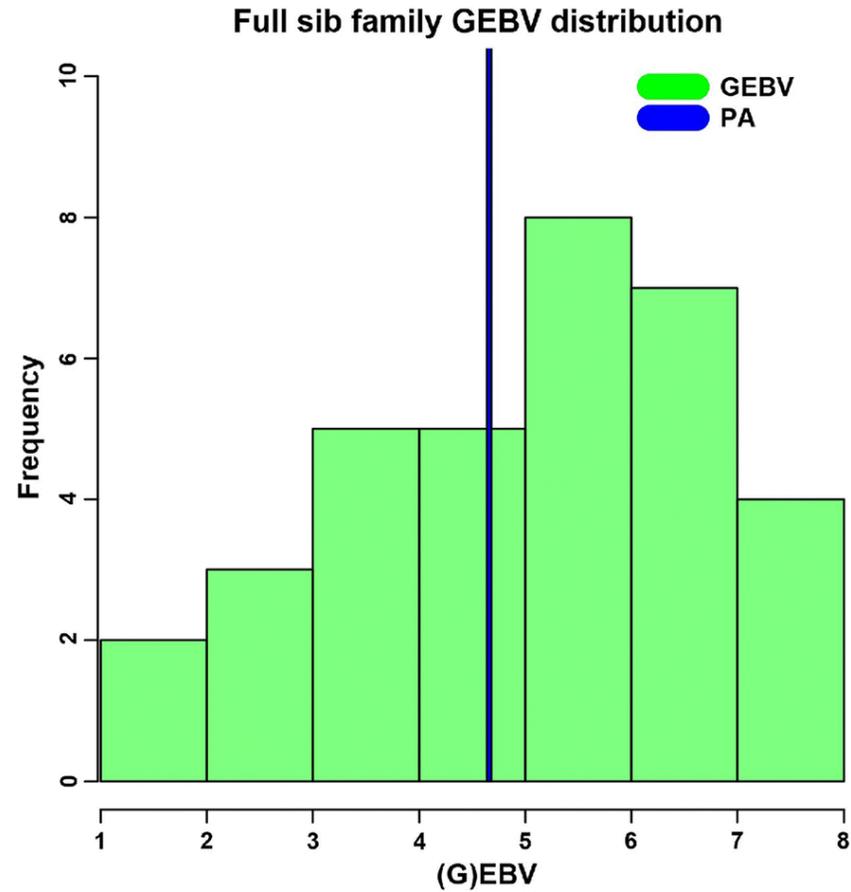


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- Pedigree BLUP



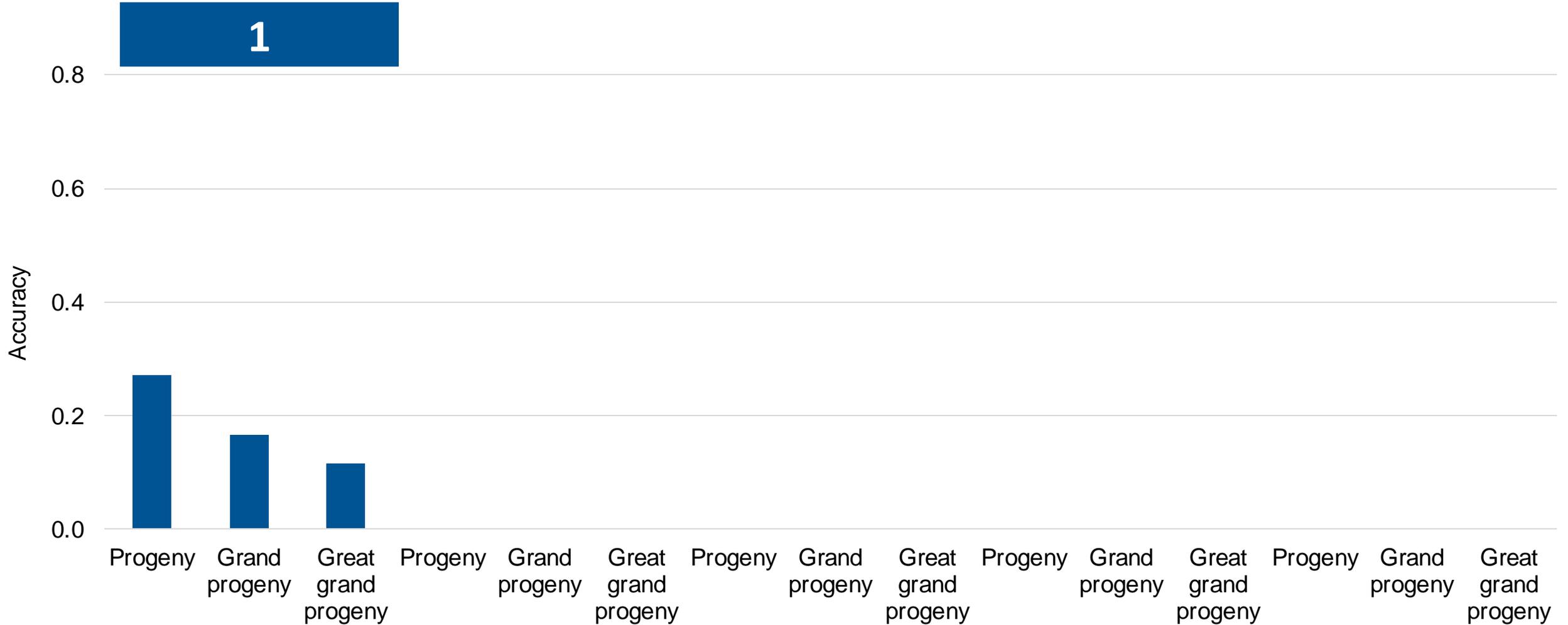
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Growth Trait



Pedigree + Phenotypes



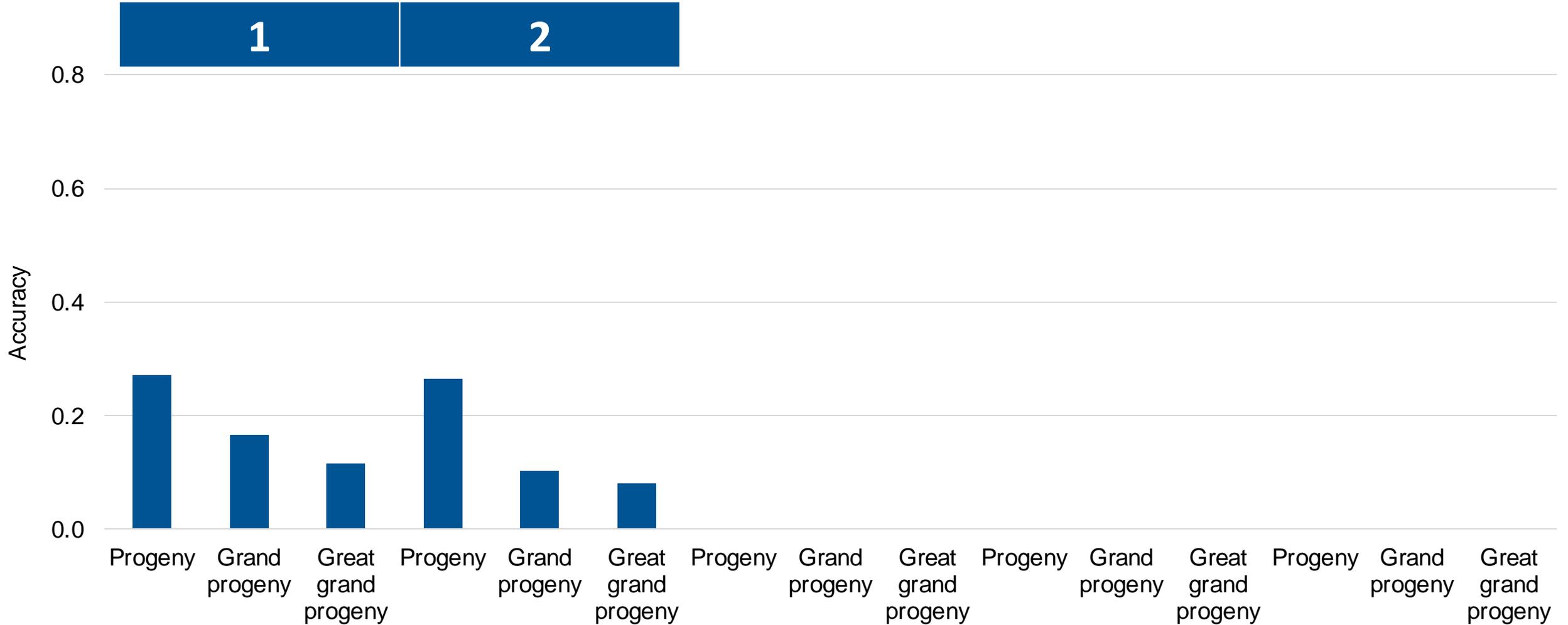
Pedigree + Phenotypes + Genotypes

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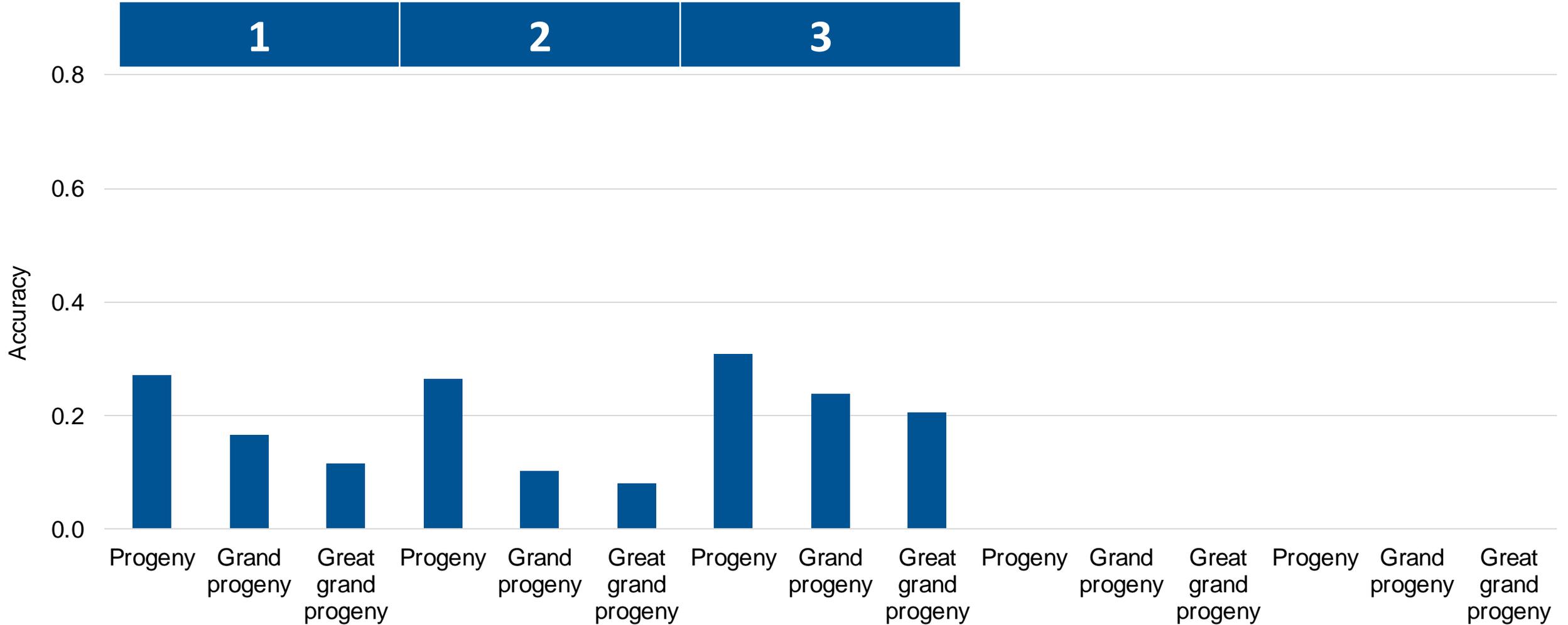
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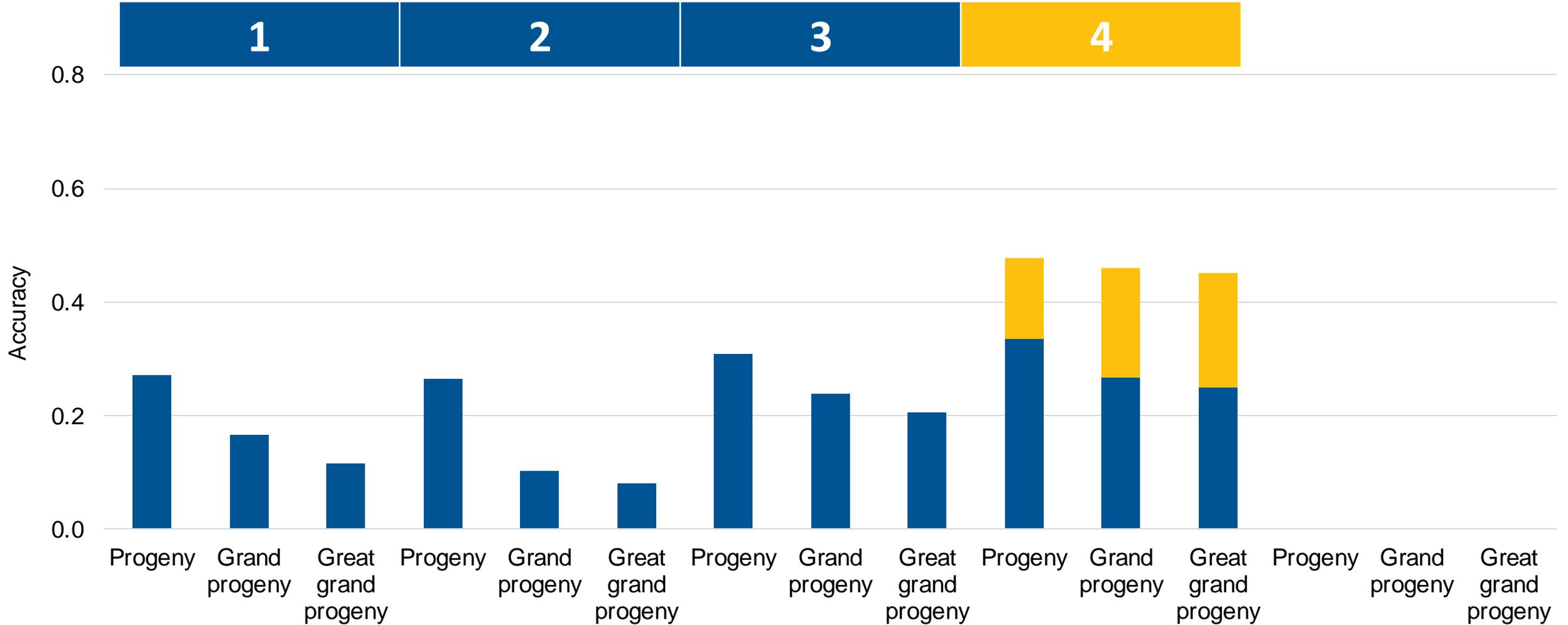
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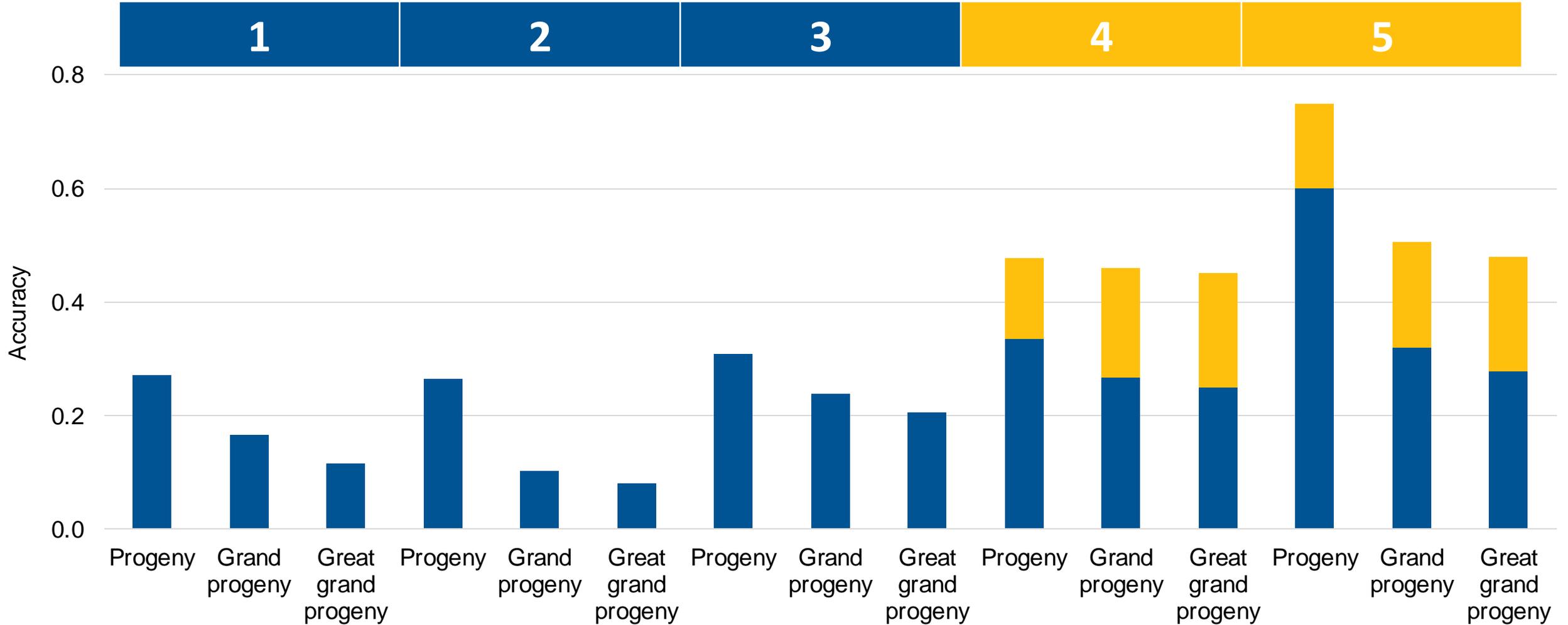
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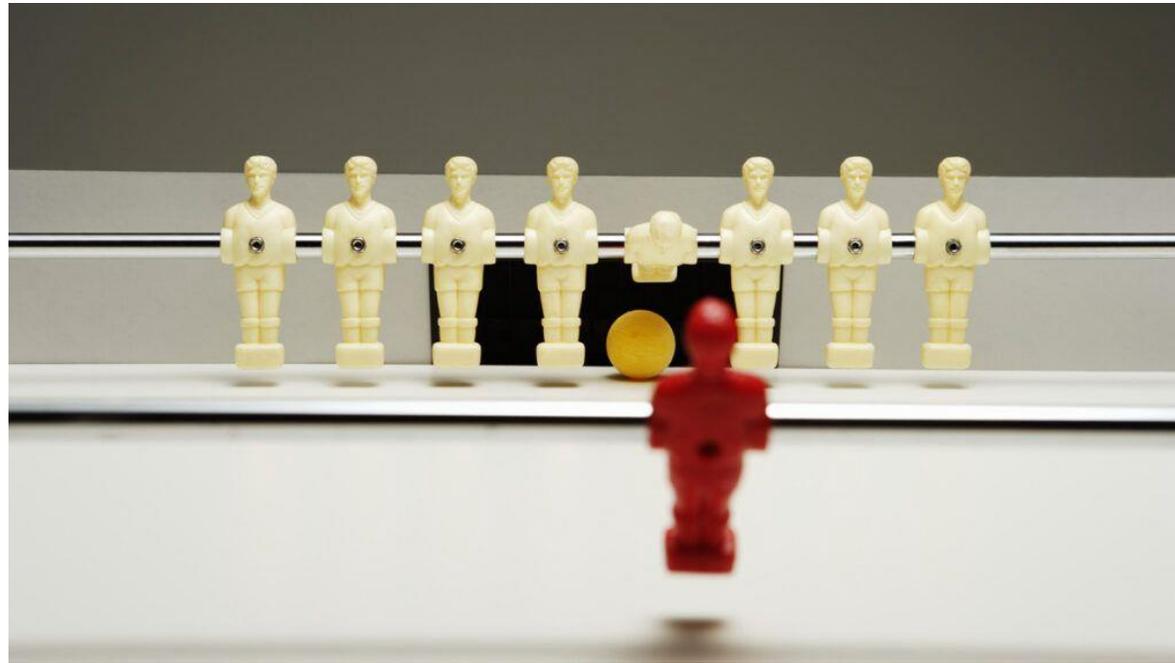


Pedigree + Phenotypes



Pedigree + Phenotypes + Genotypes

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How to construct G

Realized relationship matrix

- Back to 1922, Wright's relationships matrix (A)
- Relationships were conceived as standardized covariances

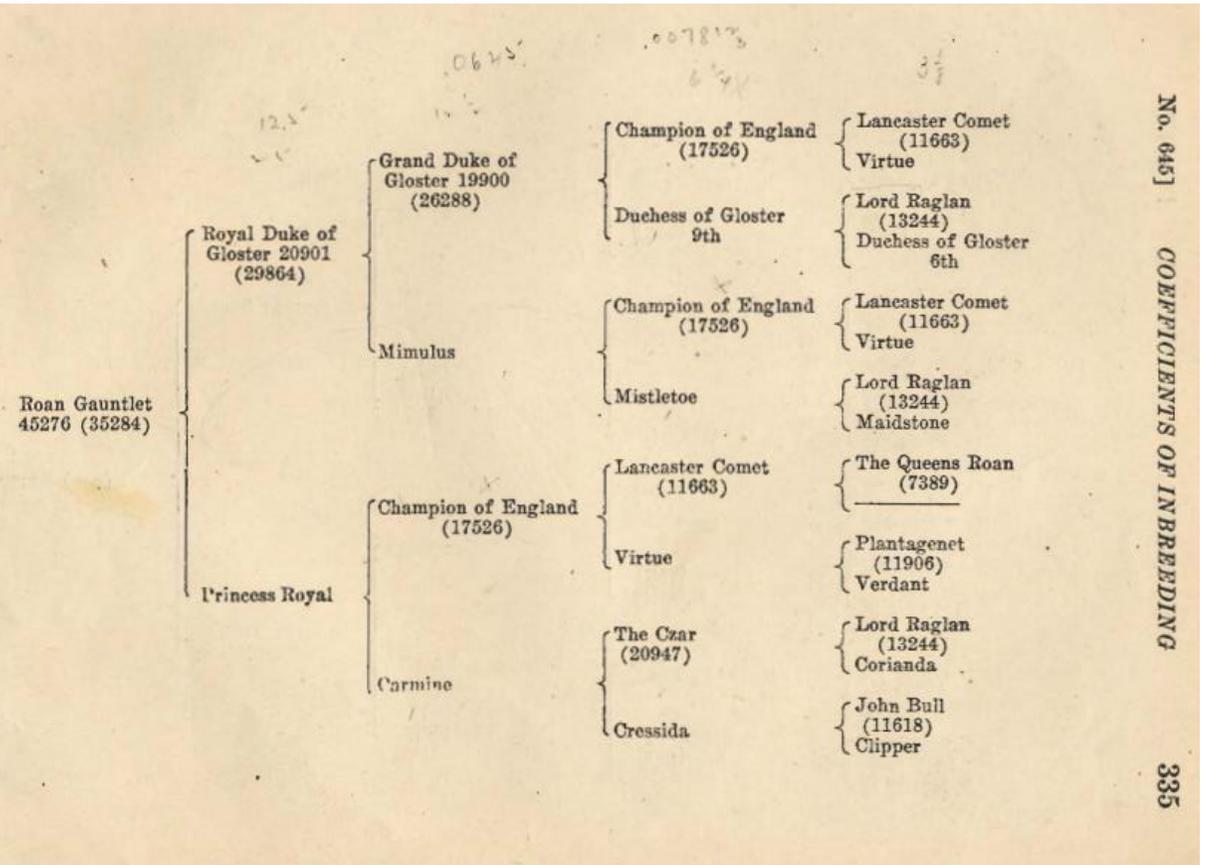
Wright, S. 1922. Coefficients of inbreeding and relationship. *The American Naturalist* 56:330-338.

COEFFICIENTS OF INBREEDING AND RELATIONSHIP

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In the breeding of domestic animals consanguineous matings are frequently made. Occasionally matings are made between very close relatives—sire and daughter, brother and sister, etc.—but as a rule such close inbreeding is avoided and there is instead an attempt to concentrate the blood of some noteworthy individual by what is known as line breeding. No regular system of mating such as might be followed with laboratory animals is practicable as a rule.



How to construct G

Realized relationship matrix

- How much DNA do two individuals share looking to DNA?
 - Let gene content be coded as 0, 1, and 2 copies of a reference allele
 - Define z_{ij} for locus i , individual j as the gene content
 - The mean of gene content is twice the allele frequency; $\bar{z} = 2p$
 - The variance of the gene content; $\sigma_z^2 = 2p(1 - p)$
 - Center z_{ij} subtracting the mean; $z_{ij} - 2p_i$
 - Scale dividing by the sum of variances = $\sum 2p_i(1 - p_i)$

ID1	0221200101202211002222121
ID2	2211212121101211212012121
ID3	1212120020202120120122111

$$\mathbf{G} = \frac{\mathbf{ZZ}'}{\sum 2p_i(1 - p_i)}$$



How to construct G

Realized relationship matrix

Genotypes $\{0,1,2\}$

$$\mathbf{G} = \frac{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}'}{\sum 2p_i(1-p_i)} = \frac{(\mathbf{M} - 2\mathbf{P})(\mathbf{M} - 2\mathbf{P})'}{2 \sum p_i(1-p_i)}$$

Shifted to refer to the average of a population with allele frequencies p

Scaled to refer to the genetic variance of a population with allele frequencies p



Realized relationship matrix

- **Tuning** scales \mathbf{G} to \mathbf{A}_{22} to refer to the same genetic base
- $p(\mathbf{u}_2) = N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{G}\sigma_u^2)$
- If the population is undergoing selection, the mean is not 0
- Different genetic variance in genotyped and ungenotyped animals
- Accounts for the selection, improves accuracy, and reduces bias
 - $\overline{diag(\mathbf{G})}b + a = \overline{diag(\mathbf{A}_{22})}$
 - $a + b\bar{\mathbf{G}} = \bar{\mathbf{A}}_{22}$
 - $\mathbf{G}_{tun} = a + b\mathbf{G}_0$
- **Blending** avoids singularity; the procedure consists of a weighted sum of \mathbf{G}_0 and a positive-definitive matrix
- Improves convergence
 - $\mathbf{G} = \alpha\mathbf{G}_{tun} + \beta\mathbf{A}_{22}$
 - This also assigns part of the genetic variance to pedigrees



Importance of inbreeding

Realized relationship matrix

$$\mathbf{H}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

The \mathbf{G} matrix computed using VanRaden's method considers inbreeding, so \mathbf{G}^{-1} does. Therefore, \mathbf{A}^{-1} and \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} should be constructed considering inbreeding to avoid inflation in the estimated breeding values

- Pocrnic et al. (2016)
- 10 generations: 5 males mated 12.5k females
- 138k pedigree | 75k genotyped animals
- Average inbreeding in generation 10 = 0.21
- **No convergence after 5000 iterations**
- Ideal simulated population
- No missing pedigree
- All recent generations were in the pedigree file



Realized relationship matrix

Computed using Henderson-Quaas' algorithm, **without inbreeding**

$\mathbf{A}^{22} < \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$
Ill conditioned MME
Inflated GEBV

Computed using Colleau's formula, which considers inbreeding

$$\mathbf{H}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}^{11} & \mathbf{A}^{12} \\ \mathbf{A}^{21} & \mathbf{A}^{22} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$



Computed using VanRaden's formula, which considers inbreeding

Importance of inbreeding

Realized relationship matrix

Computed using
Henderson-Quaas'
algorithm, with
inbreeding

Computed using Colleau's
formula, which considers
inbreeding

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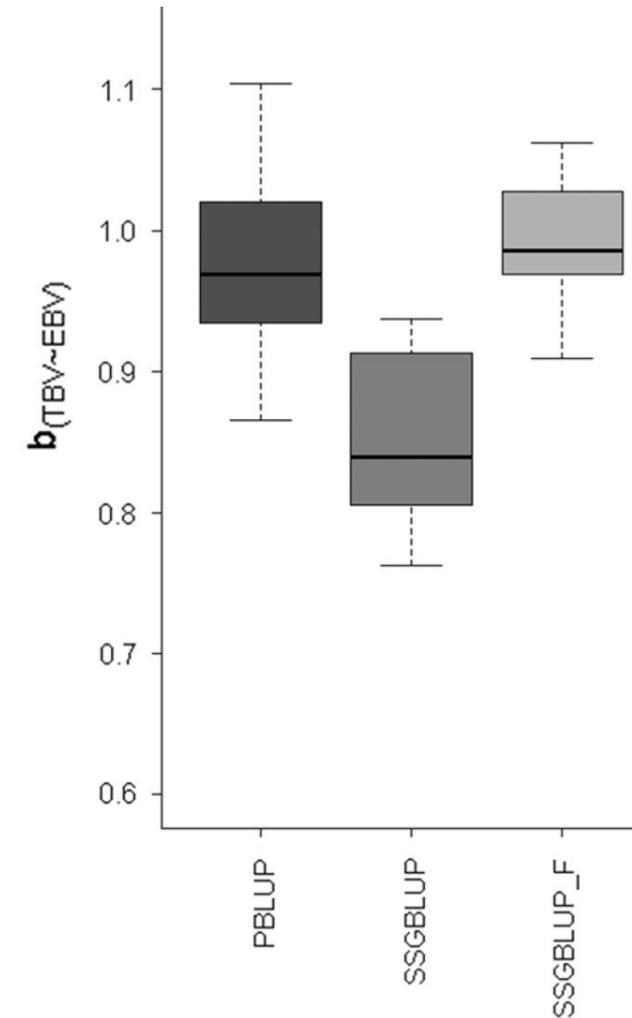
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Importance of inbreeding

Realized relationship matrix

- Garcia-Baccino et al. (2017)
- 29k pedigree | 5.3k genotyped animals
- PBLUP vs. ssGBLUP vs. ssGBLUP_inbreeding (F)
- Inflated GEBV with ssGBLUP
- No inflation with inbreeding



Importance of inbreeding

Realized relationship matrix

Inbreeding is also important in the estimation of accuracies

$$Accuracy_i = \sqrt{1 - \left[\frac{PEV_i}{\sigma_u^2(1 + F_i)} \right]}$$

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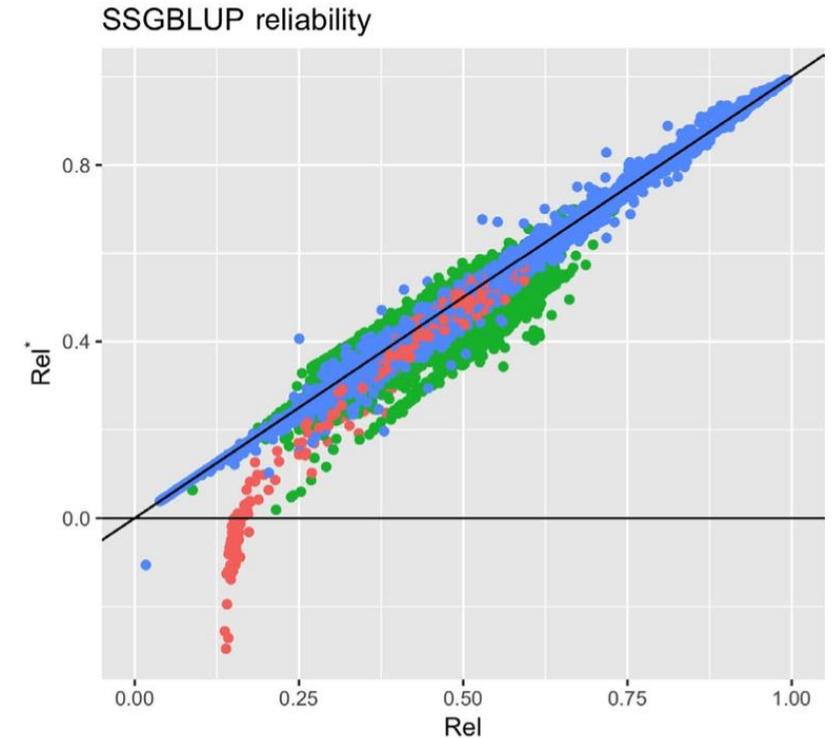


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Effects of ignoring inbreeding in model-based accuracy for BLUP and SSGBLUP

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Decomposition of EBV and GEBV

EBV

$$\{\mathbf{W}'\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda\}\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{y}$$

$$u_i = w_1 PA_i + w_2 YD_i + w_3 PC_i$$

Parent Average	Yield Deviation	Progeny Contribution
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GEBV

$$\left\{ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \lambda \right\} \hat{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{y}$$

$$u_i = w_1 PA_i + w_2 YD_i + w_3 PC_i + (w_{4_1} DGV_i - w_{4_2} PP_i)$$

Parent Average	Yield Deviation	Progeny Contribution	Direct Genomic Value	Pedigree Prediction
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For young animals

$$u_i = w_1 PA_i + (w_{4_1} DGV_i - w_{4_2} PP_i)$$

With many genotypes

$$u_i \approx w_{4_1} DGV_i$$



Importance of inbreeding

Decomposition of EBV and GEBV

- For young animals $u_i = w_1 PA_i + (w_{4_1} DGV_i - w_{4_2} PP_i)$

$$u_i = \frac{\frac{2}{1-F_i}}{\frac{2}{1-F_i} + g^{ii} - a_{22}^{ii}} PA_i + \left(\frac{g^{ii}}{\frac{2}{1-F_i} + g^{ii} - a_{22}^{ii}} DGV_i - \frac{a^{ii}}{\frac{2}{1-F_i} + g^{ii} - a_{22}^{ii}} PP_i \right)$$

- Ignoring F

$$u_i = \frac{2}{2 + g^{ii} - a_{22}^{ii}} PA_i + \left(\frac{g^{ii}}{2 + g^{ii} - a_{22}^{ii}} DGV_i - \frac{a^{ii}}{2 + g^{ii} - a_{22}^{ii}} PP_i \right)$$

- Inbreeding increases the denominator
- GEBV is smaller
- Inflation is reduced



Estimating Variance Components

We require VC or at least some function of them

EM-REML

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{e}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{b}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_e^2}{\hat{\sigma}_u^2}$$

1. Set initial variance components
2. Compute $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ solving the MME
3. Update variance components

$$\hat{\sigma}_u^2 = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{u}}'\mathbf{A}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{u}} + tr(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{C}^{uu})\hat{\sigma}_e^2}{N}$$

Inverse of LHS for individual effect

Number of individuals, rank of A

$$\hat{\sigma}_e^2 = \frac{\mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{u}})}{N - rank(\mathbf{X})}$$

4. Go to 1 or stop if variance components do not change anymore

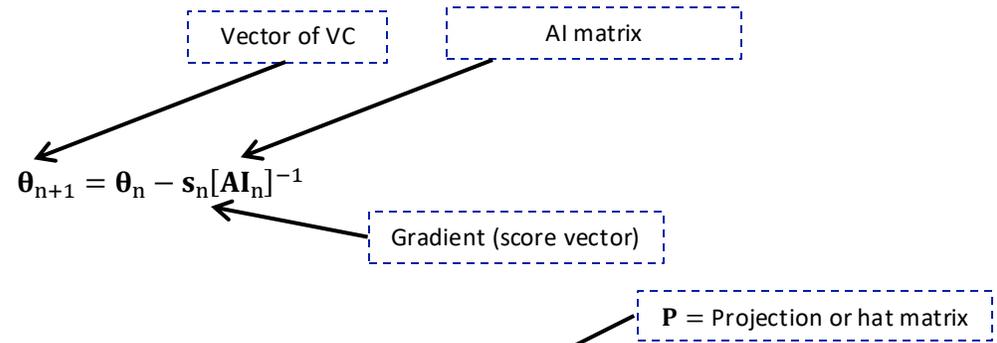


Patterson and Thompson (1971)

Dempster et al. (1977)

Estimating Variance Components

AI-REML



AI- algorithm uses this matrix as Hessian

$$\mathbf{AI} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{u}})' \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{u}})}{(\hat{\sigma}_e^2)^2} \right\} & \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{u}' \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{u}})}{\hat{\sigma}_e^2 (\hat{\sigma}_u^2)^2} \right\} \\ \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{u}})' \mathbf{P} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{u}}{\hat{\sigma}_e^2 (\hat{\sigma}_u^2)^2} \right\} & \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{u}' \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{P} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{u}}{(\hat{\sigma}_u^2)^2} \right\} \end{bmatrix}$$

Gradient

$$\mathbf{s} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{u}})' (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{u}})}{(\hat{\sigma}_e^2)^2} - \frac{(n - p - q)}{(\hat{\sigma}_e^2)^2} - \frac{tr(\mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{C}^{uu})}{\hat{\sigma}_u^2} \right\} \\ \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{\hat{\mathbf{u}}' \mathbf{A}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{u}}}{(\hat{\sigma}_u^2)^2} - \frac{q}{\hat{\sigma}_u^2} + tr(\mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{C}^{uu}) \frac{\hat{\sigma}_e^2}{(\hat{\sigma}_u^2)^2} \right\} \end{bmatrix}$$



Estimating Variance Components

EM-REML

- Simple equations
- More complex in multiple-trait models

- Very slow convergence
- Computationally demanding (C^{uu})

AI-REML

- Faster than EM-REML
 - Fewer iterations
- Provides estimation of standard errors

- For complex models and poor starting values
 - Slow convergence
 - Estimates out of the parameter space
- Initial rounds with EM-REML may help
- Computationally demanding (C^{uu})

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{b}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix}$$



gibbsf90+

- `gibbs1f90`: stores single trait matrices once – fast for multi-trait models
- `gibbs2f90`: `gibbs1f90` with joint sampling of correlated effects – Maternal effects and RRM
- `gibbs3f90`: `gibbs2f90` with heterogeneous residual variance
- `thrgibbs1f90`: for linear-threshold models
- `thrgibbs3f90`: `thrgibbs1f90` with heterogeneous residual variance

Variance Components Estimation Mixed Model Equations Solver

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{G}_0^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{W}'\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

gibbsf90+



Linear

Default



Threshold (-Linear)

```
OPTION cat 0 2 5
```

- Categories renumbered from **1**
- Missing records is only **0**

gibbsf90+

Bayes Theorem

$$p(\theta|y) = p(y|\theta) p(\theta)$$

Likelihood function
indicates how likely the observations are from a distribution
(with particular parameters)

prior probability of unknown θ

posterior probability of unknown θ with known y

- Basic idea of Gibbs Sampling:
- Numerical method to draw samples from a posterior distribution (not always explicitly available)
- Draw samples = generate random numbers following a distribution
- The results are random numbers (not theoretical formulas)
- The posterior distribution will be drawn based on the numerical values (like a histogram)

gibbsf90+

Ingredients for Gibbs sampling

- 1) Theoretical derivation: conditional posterior distribution for each unknown parameter
- 2) Software: a random number generator for a particular distribution

```
# Basic Gibbs sampling for mu (normal) and sigma2 (inverted chi-square)
y <- c(14,16,18)
N <- length(y)
n.samples <- 100
mu <- rep(0,n.samples)
sigma2 <- rep(0,n.samples)

# initial value
mu[1] <- 0
sigma2[1] <- 10

# sampling
for(i in 2:n.samples){
  mu[i] <- rnorm(1, mean=mean(y), sd=sqrt(sigma2[i-1]/N)) # using the most recent sigma2
  df <- N-2
  S <- sum((y-mu[i])^2)
  sigma2[i] <- rinvchisq(1, df=df, scale=S) # using the most recent mu
}
```

gibbsf90+

- Name of parameter file?

`gibbs1.par`

- Number of samples and length of burn-in?

`samples=10,000 to 100,000; burn-in=0`

- Give n to store every n-th sample?

`10`

- `gibbsf90+ parfile.par --samples i --burnin j --interval k`

gibbsf90+

- Procedure

- Run `gibbsf90+` to estimate variance components
- Run `postgibbsf90` to process the samples and check convergence
- Run `gibbsf90+` with new variance components to compute EBV (2k to 10k samples)

```
OPTION fixed_var mean X
```



Number of the
animal effect

postgibbsf90

- Basic idea of post-Gibbs analysis:
- Summarize and visualize the samples drawn by gibbsf90+
- Confirm if the chain converged
- Find the most probable value = posterior mode as a “point estimate”
- Find the reliability of the estimates = the highest posterior density as a “confidence interval”

postgibbsf90

- Name of parameter file?
gibbs1.par
- Burn-in?
0
- Give n to store every n-th sample? (1 means read all samples)
10
- input files
gibbs_samples, fort.99
- output files
 - "postgibbs_samples"
all Gibbs samples for additional post analyses
 - "postmean"
posterior means
 - "postsd"
posterior standard deviations
 - "postout"

postgibbsf90

at least > 10 is recommended
> 30 may be better

					*****	Monte Carlo	Error by	Time Series	*****				
Pos.	eff1	eff2	trt1	trt2	MCE	Mean	HPD	Effective	Median	Mode	Independent		
							Interval (95%)	sample size					
1	4	4	1	1	1.362E-02	0.9889	0.7788	1.215	0.9844	0.9861	18		
2	4	4	1	2	1.288E-02	1.006	0.777	1.219	1.006	0.952	18		
3	4	4	2	2	1.847E-02	1.66	1.347	1.987	1.652	1.579	25		
4	0	0	1	1	9.530E-03	24.47	24.07	24.84	24.47	24.53	2		
5	0	0	1	2	8.253E-03	11.84	11.54	12.18	11.83	11.82	2		
6	0	0	2	2	1.233E-02	30.1	29.65	30.58	30.09	29.97	5		

					*****	p _i Lower and upper bounds of Mean ± 1.96PSD	ti ₀ ratio between first half and second half of the samples ; should be < 1.0					Independent	
Pos.	eff1	eff2	trt1	trt2	PSD	Mean	PSD	Geweke	Autocorrelations				# batches
							Interval (95%)	diagnostic	lag: 1	10	50		
1	4	4	1	1	0.1144	0.9889	0.7648	1.213	-0.02	0.853	0.188	0.049	50
2	4	4	1	2	0.1182	1.006	0.7742	1.237	-0.11	0.828	0.111	-0.066	50
3	4	4	2	2	0.1656	1.66	1.335	1.984	0.06	0.828	0.108	-0.021	36
4	0	0	1	1	0.1967	24.47	24.09	24.86	-0.01	0.034	0.029	-0.062	450
5	0	0	1	2	0.1643	11.84	11.51	12.16	0.03	0.032	-0.006	-0.016	450
6	0	0	2	2	0.2429	30.1	29.62	30.57	-0.02	0.07	-0.014	0.037	180

postgibbsf90

```
Choose a graph for samples (= 1) or histogram (= 2); or exit (= 0)
```

```
1
```

```
positions
```

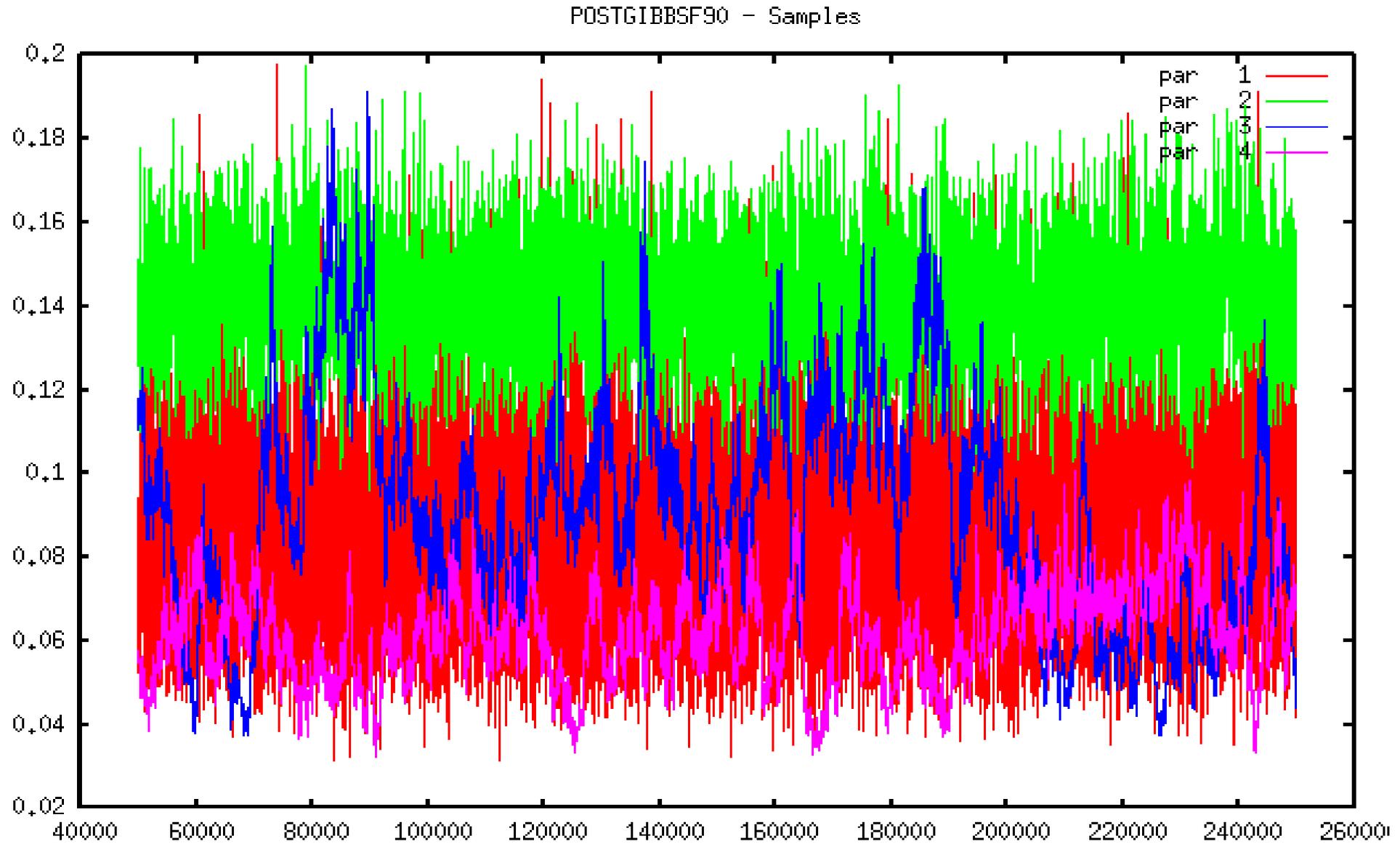
```
1 2 3 # choose from the position numbers 1 through 6
```

```
If the graph is stable (not increasing or decreasing), the convergence is met.  
All samples before that point should be discarded as burn-in.
```

```
print = 1; other graphs = 2; or stop = 0
```

```
2
```

postgibbsf90



postgibbsf90

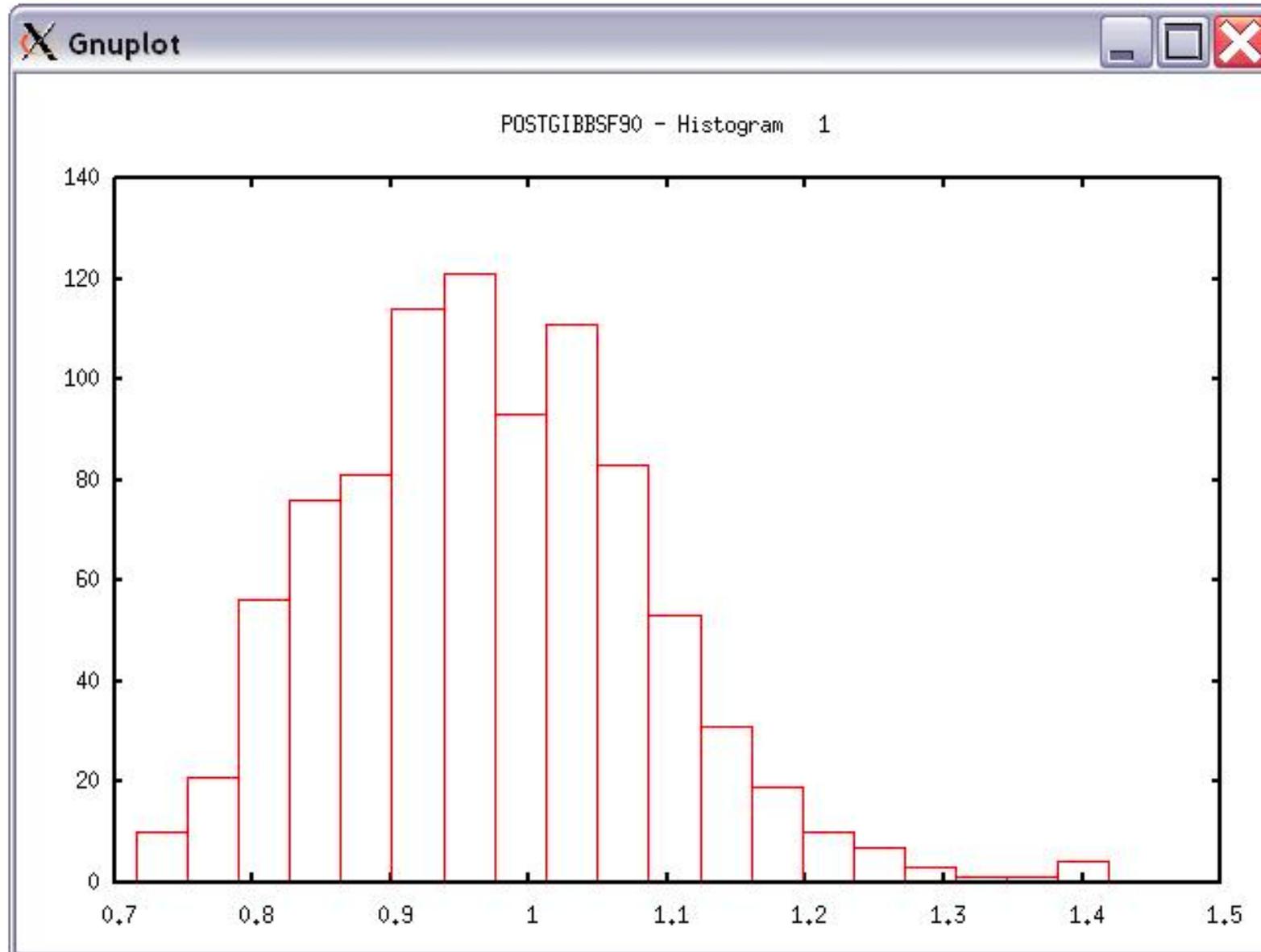
```
Choose a graph for samples (= 1) or histogram (= 2); or exit (= 0)
```

```
2
```

```
Type position and # bins
```

```
1 20
```

postgibbsf90



Common problems for BLUPF90 family

- Wrong position or formats for observation and effects
- Misspelling of Keywords
 - Program may stop
- (Co)variance matrices not symmetric, not positive definite
 - Program may not stop
- Large numbers (e.g., 305-day milk yield 10,000 kg)
 - Scale down i.e., $10,000 / 1,000 = 10$

General output from BLUPF90 family

- Output printed on the screen is not saved to any file!
- Should use redirection or pipes to store output

renumf90

```
renumf90 renum.par | tee renum.log
```

blupf90+

```
blupf90+ renumf90.par | tee blupf90.log
```

gibbsf90+

```
gibbsf90+ exmr99s1 --samples 1000 --burnin 0 --interval 1 | tee gibbsf90.log
```

Run in background + Save output

```
$vi gibbs.sh
#type the following commands inside gibbs.sh
    gibbsf90+ <<AA > gibbs.log
    renf90.par
    1000 0
    10
    AA
#save and exit
$bash gibbs.sh & #can replace bash with sh
```

```
$vi bp.sh
#type the following commands inside bp.sh
    blupf90+ <<AA > blup.log
    renf90.par
    AA
#save and exit
$bash bp.sh & #can replace bash by sh
```

Estimating Variance Components

blupf90+

MME Solver

Default

- Preconditioner Conjugate Gradient (PCG)
 - Default Iterative method (fast)
- Successive over-relaxation (SOR)
 - An iterative method based on Gauss-Seidel
- Direct solution using sparse Cholesky factorization
 - FSPAK or YAMS (greater memory requirements)

VC Estimation

- AI-REML:

OPTION method VCE

- EM-REML:

OPTION method VCE

OPTION EM-REML **xx**

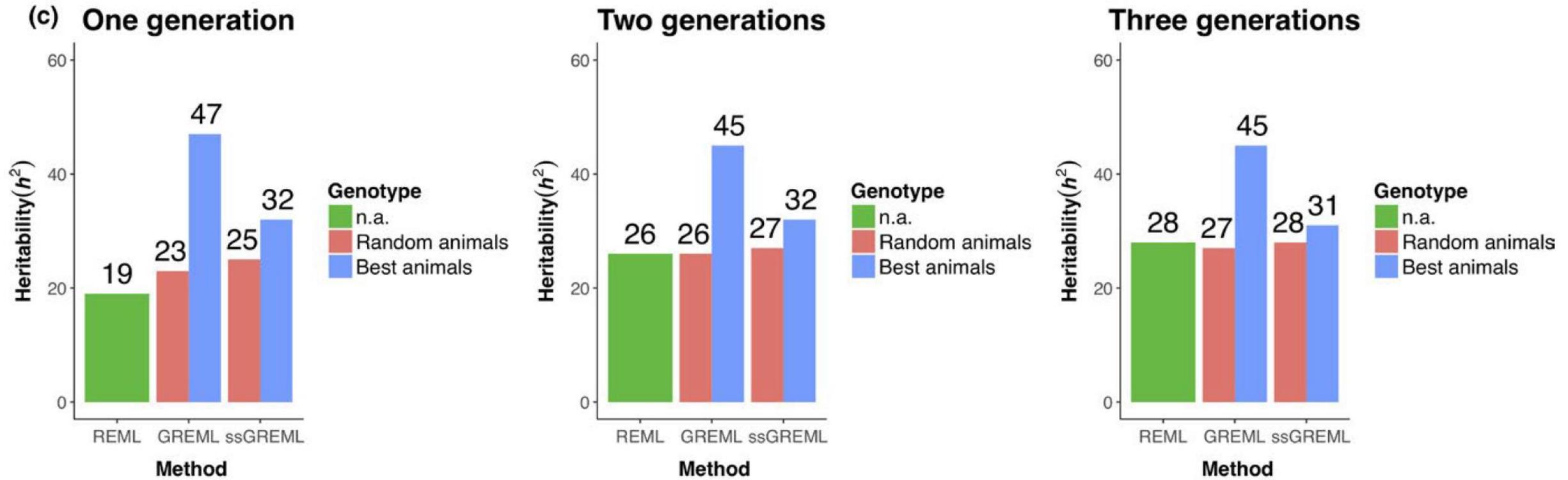
└─ (empty for pure EM)
of EM rounds
ai (until convergence)



Difference in estimates depending on population structure

Estimating Variance Components

- In practice, it is hard to have base allele frequencies
- SSGREML was less affected by selective or limited genotyping



- Estimated heritability = 30%



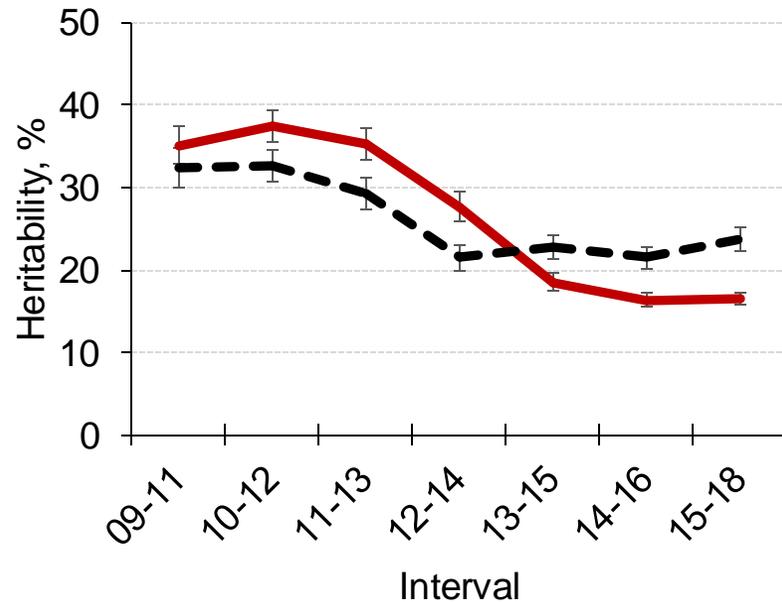
Difference in estimates depending on population structure

Estimating Variance Components

--- Pedigree-based analysis

— Genomic-based analysis

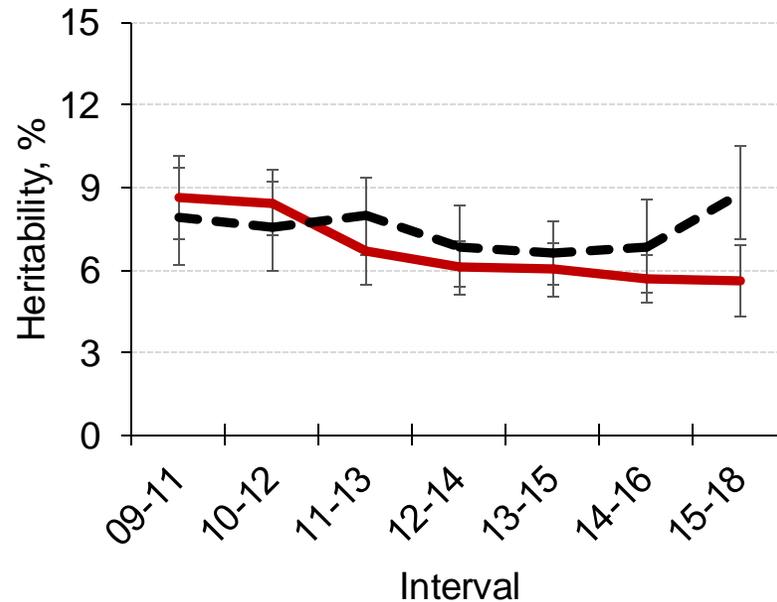
GT



35.1 to 16.5%

A reduction of ~ 50%

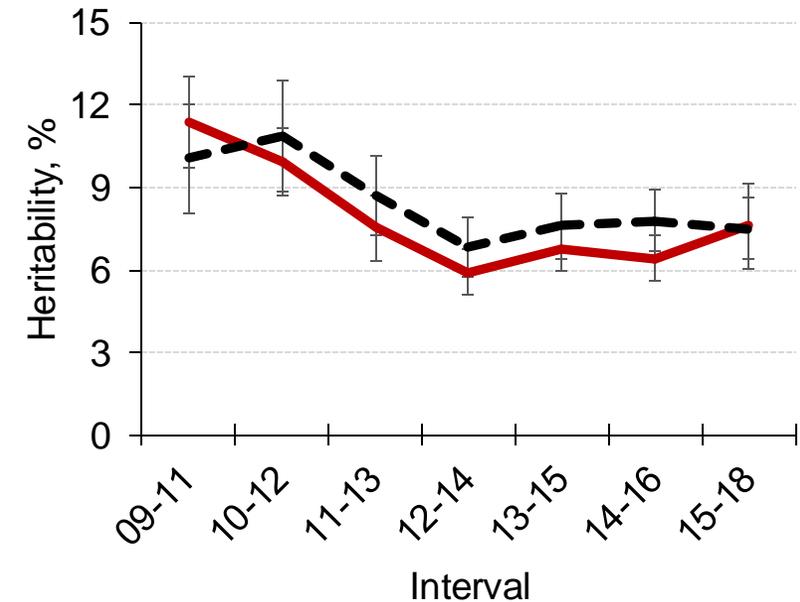
FT1



8.6 to 5.6%

~ 20%

FT2

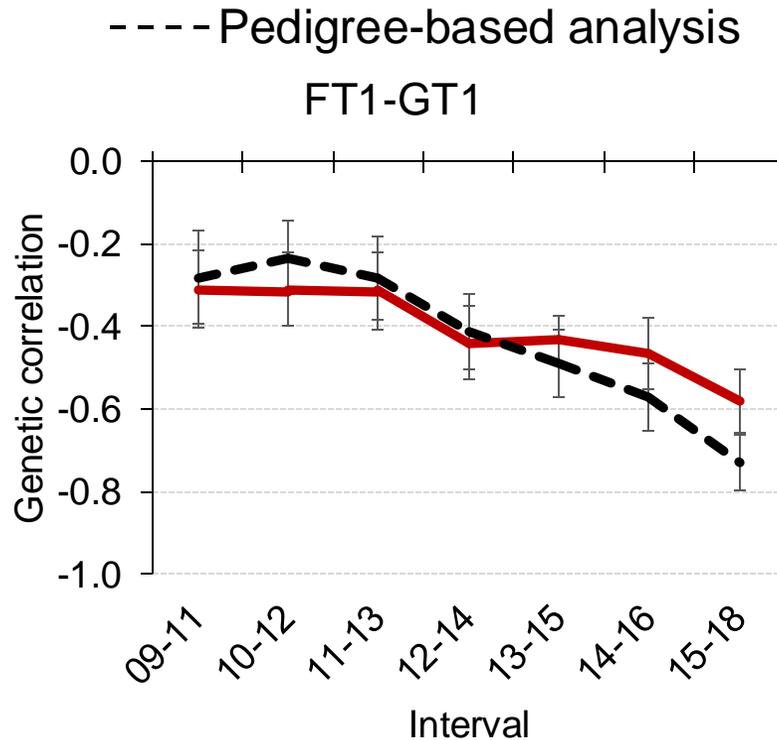


11.4 to 7.6%

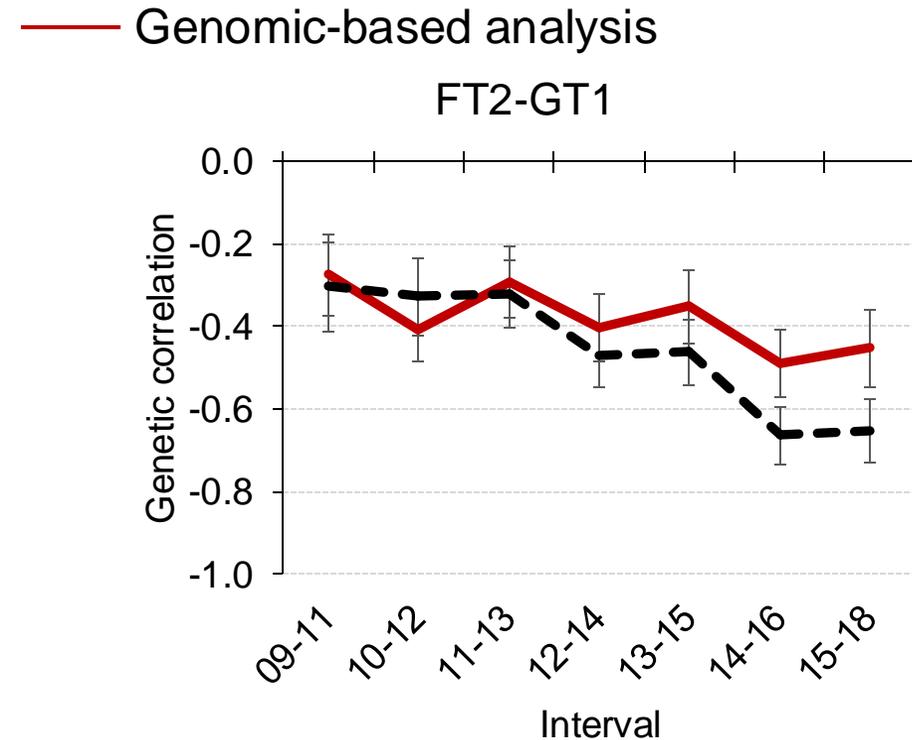


Difference in estimates depending on population structure

Estimating Variance Components



-0.31 to -0.58



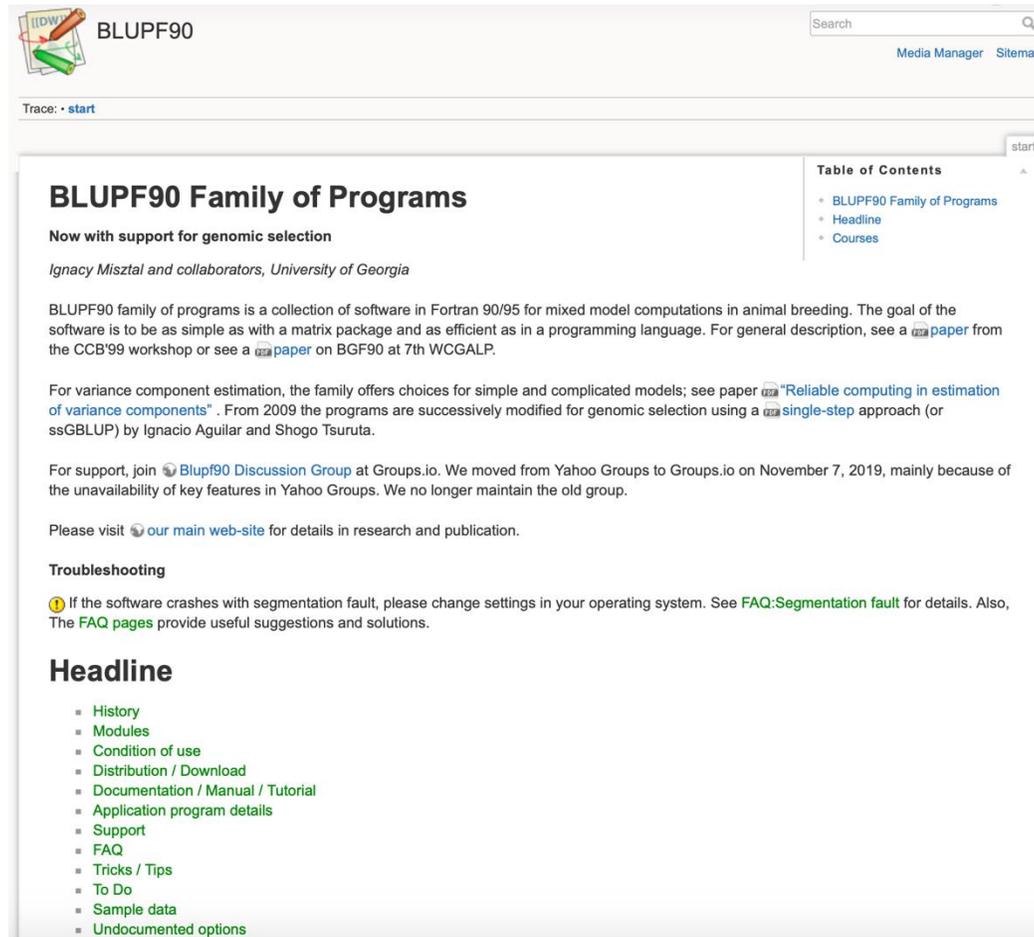
-0.27 to -0.45

- These changes need to be considered in the breeding program



Blupf90 programs

Practice



The screenshot shows the BLUPF90 website homepage. At the top left is the BLUPF90 logo, which consists of a stylized '@' symbol with a pencil and a ruler. To the right of the logo is the text 'BLUPF90'. Further right is a search bar and two links: 'Media Manager' and 'Sitemap'. Below the header is a breadcrumb trail: 'Trace: • start'. The main content area is titled 'BLUPF90 Family of Programs' and includes a sub-heading 'Now with support for genomic selection'. The text describes the software as a collection of Fortran 90/95 programs for animal breeding, developed by Ignacy Misztal and collaborators at the University of Georgia. It mentions that the software is simple and efficient, and provides links to a paper from the CCB'99 workshop and a paper on BGF90. It also discusses variance component estimation and the use of a single-step approach (ssGBLUP). A section for support mentions the 'Blupf90 Discussion Group' on Groups.io. A 'Troubleshooting' section provides advice on segmentation faults. A 'Headline' section lists various resources like History, Modules, Condition of use, Distribution / Download, Documentation / Manual / Tutorial, Application program details, Support, FAQ, Tricks / Tips, To Do, Sample data, and Undocumented options. A 'Table of Contents' sidebar on the right lists 'BLUPF90 Family of Programs', 'Headline', and 'Courses'.

- Collection of software
- Fortran \geq 90
- Computations in AB & G
- Since 1997 by Ignacy Misztal
- Several developers + collaborators
- Simple, efficient, and comprehensive
- Very general models

<https://nce.ads.uga.edu>

<https://nce.ads.uga.edu/software/>



Practice



Ignacy
Misztal



Shogo
Tsuruta



Andres
Legarra



Ignacio
Aguilar



Yutaka
Masuda



Matias
Bermann

- + Several contributors
- Research turns into code



Practice

- **breedR** is FOSS. Licensed [GPL-3](#)
 - `RShowDoc('LICENSE', package = 'breedR')`
- You can **use** and **distribute breedR** for any purpose
- You can **modify** it to suit your needs
 - we encourage to!
 - please consider contributing your improvements
 - you can **distribute** your modified version under the GPL
- However, **breedR** makes (intensive) use of the [BLUPF90](#) suite of Fortran programs

```
res <- remlf90(fixed = phe_X ~ 1,  
             random = ~ gg,  
             data   = globulus)
```

<https://github.com/famuvie/breedR/wiki/Overview>



Blupf90 programs

Practice

blupf90

BLUP with explicit equations

remlf90

Expectation Maximization REML

aireml90

Average Information REML

gibbsf90

Bayesian Analyses – linear traits

thrgibbsf90

Bayesian Analyses – categorical traits

postgibbsf90

Post-analyses of Gibbs samples

blupf90+

gibbsf90+

renumf90

Renumbering + data QC

preGSf90

Processing of SNP data (QC + matrices)

QCf90

QC of large SNP data

postGS90

Estimation of SNP effects and GWAS

predf90

Prediction of GEBV based on SNP effects

seekparent90

Parentage verification (SNP and pedigree)

predictf90

Adjusted and predicted phenotypes + residuals



blup90iod

cblup90iod

accf90

accf90GS

✘ No need for the renumbering process

Practice

- Renumf90 parameter file

renumf90

- `renumf90 --help`
- `renumf90 --show-template`

- FAQ blupf90

<https://nce.ads.uga.edu/wiki/doku.php?id=faq>

```
DATAFILE
data3.txt
TRAITS
4
FIELDS_PASSED TO OUTPUT

WEIGHT(S)

RESIDUAL_VARIANCE
0.60
EFFECT
3 cross alpha
EFFECT
1 cross alpha
RANDOM
animal
FILE
ped3.txt
FILE_POS
1 2 3 0 0
SNP_FILE
snp3.2k
PED_DEPTH
0
(CO)VARIANCES
0.40
OPTION map_file mrkmap.txt
OPTION use_yams
```

$$y = sex + animal + e$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_u^2 = 0.4$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_e^2 = 0.6$$



Practice

- Renumf90 parameter file

renumf90

- FAQ blupf90

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```
DATAFILE
renf90.dat
NUMBER_OF_TRAITS
  1
NUMBER_OF_EFFECTS
  2
OBSERVATION(S)
  1
WEIGHT(S)

EFFECTS: POSITIONS_IN_DATAFILE NUMBER_OF_LEVELS TYPE_OF_EFFECT[EFFECT NESTED]
  2    2 cross
  3   12010 cross
RANDOM_RESIDUAL_VALUES
  0.60000
RANDOM_GROUP
  2
RANDOM_TYPE
add_an_upginb
FILE
renadd02.ped
(CO)VARIANCES
  0.40000
OPTION SNP_file snp3.2k
OPTION map_file mrkmap.txt
OPTION use_yams
```

$$y = sex + animal + e$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_u^2 = 0.4$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_e^2 = 0.6$$



Practice

RANDOM_GROUP

Number of the effect(s) from list of effects
Correlated effects should be consecutive e.g. Maternal effects, Random Regression

RANDOM_TYPE

diagonal, add_animal, add_sire, add_an_upg,
add_an_upginb, add_an_self, user_file, user_file_i, or
par_domin

FILE

Pedigree file, parental dominance, or user file

(CO)VARIANCES

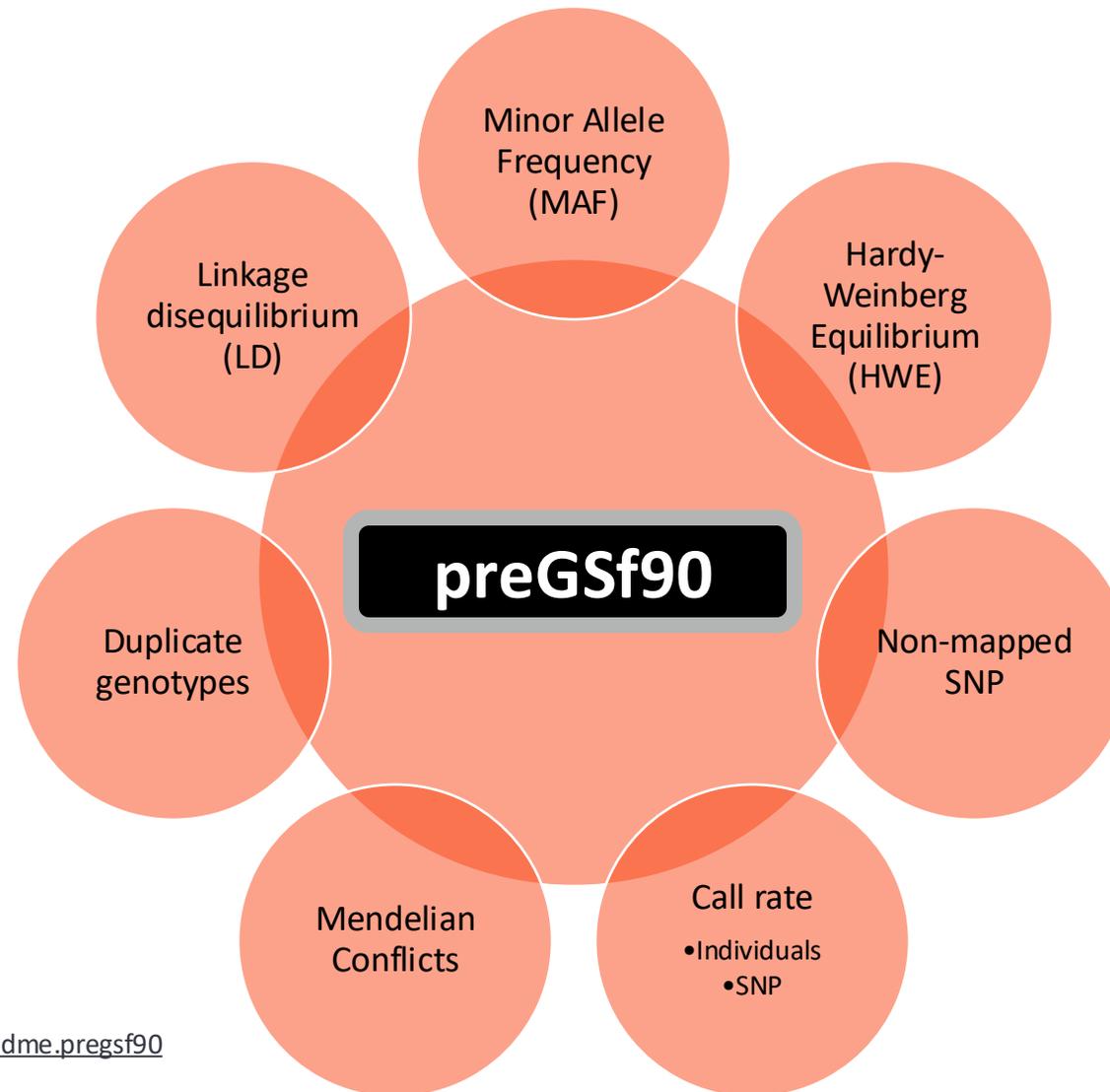
Square matrix with dimension equal to the
 $\text{number_of_traits} * \text{number_of_correlated_effects}$

- *Add_an_self*
 - *To create a relationship matrix when there is selfing*
 - Pedigree file:
 - `individual, parent 1, parent 2, number of selfing generations`
- *user_file*
 - An inverted matrix is read from the file
 - Matrix is stored only upper- or lower-triangular
 - Matrix file:
 - `row, col, value`
- *user_file_i*
 - As before but the matrix will be inverted by the program



preGSf90
Practice

- Quality control



<https://nce.ads.uga.edu/wiki/doku.php?id=readme.pregsf90>



Practice

- Same parameter file as for all BLUPF90 programs
- Needs an extra OPTION in renf90.par
- OPTION SNP_file marker.geno
- Reads 2 extra files (besides data and pedigree):
 - marker.geno
 - marker.geno_XrefID(created by renumf90)
- `_XrefID` has 2 columns: Renumbered ID Original ID

preGSf90



Practice

- preGSf90 saves $\mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}$ by default (file: GimA22i)
 - To save 'raw' genomic matrix:
 - OPTION saveG [all]
 - If the optional all is present all intermediate G matrices will be saved!!!
- To save \mathbf{G}^{-1}
- OPTION saveGInverse
- Only the final G, after blending, scaling, etc. is inverted !!!
- To save \mathbf{A}_{22} and inverse
- OPTION saveA22 and OPTION saveA22Inverse

preGSf90



Practice

- renf90.par
- OPTION method VCE
- OPTION EM-REML xx

blupf90+

gibbsf90+

```
DATAFILE
renf90.dat
NUMBER_OF_TRAITS
  1
NUMBER_OF_EFFECTS
  2
OBSERVATION(S)
  1
WEIGHT(S)

EFFECTS: POSITIONS_IN_DATAFILE NUMBER_OF_LEVELS TYPE_OF_EFFECT[EFFECT NESTED]
  2    2 cross
  3  12010 cross
RANDOM_RESIDUAL_VALUES
  0.60000
RANDOM_GROUP
  2
RANDOM_TYPE
add_an_upginb
FILE
renadd02.ped
(CO)VARIANCES
  0.40000
OPTION SNP_file snp3.2k_clean
OPTION map_file mrkmap.txt_clean
OPTION use_yams
```

$$y = sex + animal + e$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_u^2 = 0.4$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_e^2 = 0.6$$



Practice

- EM-REML
 - OPTION SNP_file snp3.2k_clean
 - OPTION map_file mrkmap.txt_clean
 - OPTION no_quality_control
 - OPTION use_yams
 - OPTION method VCE
 - OPTION EM-REML

At round: 23 Converge in fewer rounds than EM-REML rounds: 10000
Stop EM-REML at 23 and no runs with AI-REML

* END ITERATION: 07-17-2024 09h 54m 06s 649
solutions stored in file: "solutions"

Final Estimates

Genetic variance(s) for effect 2

0.35532

Residual variance(s)

0.61222

*** Statistical Method: VCE

* FINISHED (BLUPF90): 07-17-2024 09h 54m 06s 680

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Practice

- AI-REML
 - OPTION SNP_file snp3.2k_clean
 - OPTION map_file mrkmap.txt_clean
 - OPTION no_quality_control
 - OPTION use_yams
 - OPTION method VCE

```
-2logL = 26720.6457620796 : AIC = 26724.6457620796
In round      4 convergence= 7.833323538291451E-014
delta convergence= 7.908716592526159E-008
new R
0.61221
new G
0.35534
* END ITERATION: 07-17-2024 10h 14m 55s 278
solutions stored in file: "solutions"
```

Final Estimates

Genetic variance(s) for effect 2

0.35534

Residual variance(s)

0.61221

inverse of AI matrix (Sampling Variance)

0.73121E-03 -0.37380E-03

-0.37380E-03 0.32167E-03

Correlations from inverse of AI matrix

1.0000 -0.77076

-0.77076 1.0000

SE for G

0.27041E-01

SE for R

0.17935E-01

*** Statistical Method: VCE

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Practice

- AI-REML
SE for genetic parameters

- OPTION se_covar_function h2 $G_{2_2_1_1}/(G_{2_2_1_1}+R_{1_1})$

Notation is with reference to the effect number and the trait number ($G_{\text{eff1_eff2_trt1_trt2}}$) that indicate the element of the (co)variance matrix for random effect `eff1` and `eff2` and `trt1` and `trt2`, where `eff1` and `eff2` are effect numbers 1 and 2, and `trt1` and `trt2` are trait numbers 1 and 2. $R_{\text{trt1_trt1}}$ indicates the element of the residual (co)variance matrix for traits 1 and 2.

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- <https://nce.ads.uga.edu/wiki/doku.php?id=readme.pregsf90>



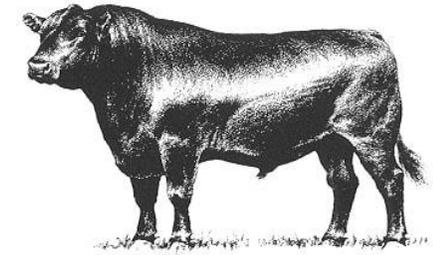
Practice

- MME solver (default)
 - OPTION SNP_file snp3.2k_clean
 - OPTION map_file mrkmap.txt_clean
 - OPTION no_quality_control
 - OPTION use_yams
 - OPTION store_accuracy **eff** orig

```
jorgehidalgo@endpoint-10-192-53-192 Data % head acc_bf90
trait/effect level original_id solution acc
1 2 1 UGA46217 0.05314548 0.5257
1 2 2 UGA46272 -0.16554279 0.5903
1 2 3 UGA43455 -1.22049127 0.5542
1 2 4 UGA51333 -0.22292902 0.5449
1 2 5 UGA42183 -0.15143591 0.7176
1 2 6 UGA51501 -0.09200698 0.5224
1 2 7 UGA43704 -0.12728916 0.5011
1 2 8 UGA44900 0.49888989 0.5319
1 2 9 UGA45303 -0.24224250 0.5009
```



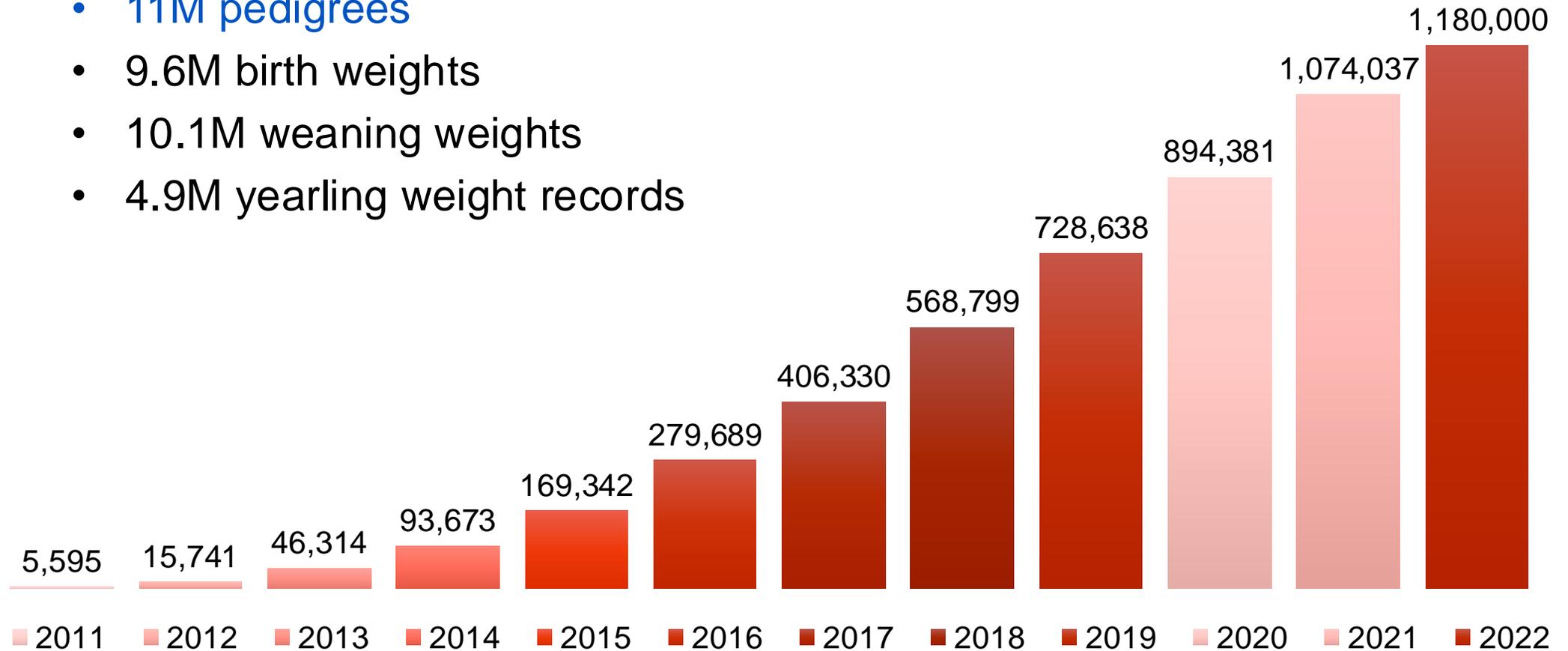
An application example



American Angus

- 11M pedigrees
- 9.6M birth weights
- 10.1M weaning weights
- 4.9M yearling weight records

Genotyped Animals



An application example – largest ssGBLUP evaluation



- US Holstein Type trait data
 - 18 trait-model
 - 13.6M animals in pedigree
 - 10.2M phenotypes
 - 2.3M genotyped animals
 - 447,492,870 equations to solve
- APY ssGBLUP with 15k core
 - 1 day to build \mathbf{G}_{APY}^{-1} and \mathbf{A}_{22}^{-1}
 - ~ 2.5 days to converge
 - < 500 GB RAM with APY
- > 30 TB RAM to compute \mathbf{G}^{-1} without APY



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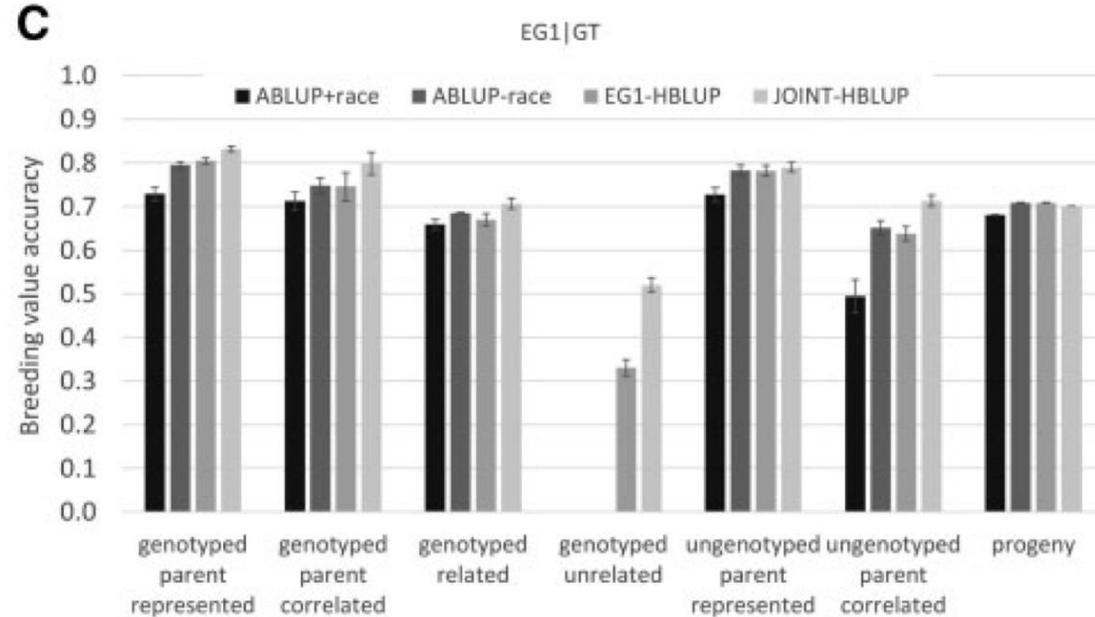
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Practice

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