

Relatedness and differentiation in arbitrary population structures

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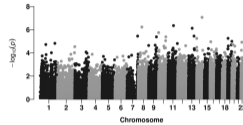
Why study relatedness?



Human genetics
is fascinating!



Heritability of
complex traits

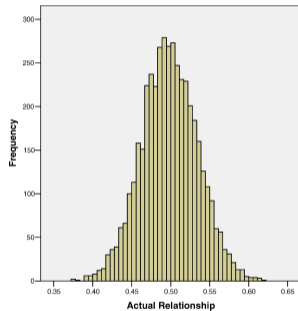
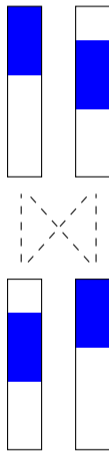
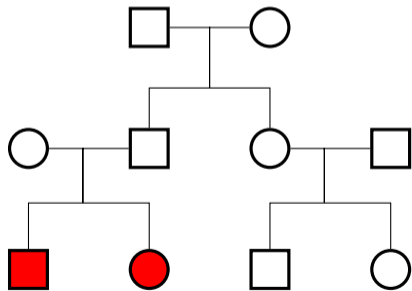


Search for
disease-causing
genetic variants



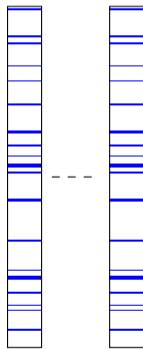
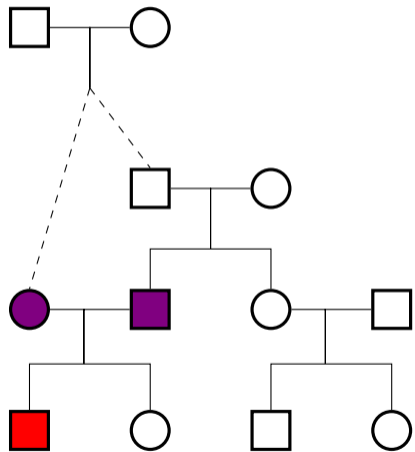
Animal and plant
breeding

The kinship coefficient for siblings: $\frac{1}{4}$ on average



Visscher *et al.* (2006)

The inbreeding coefficient in populations



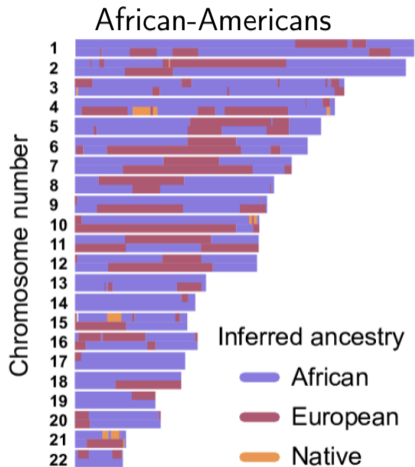
Measurements relative
to a reference pop.:

Inbreeding = 0 in the
local population

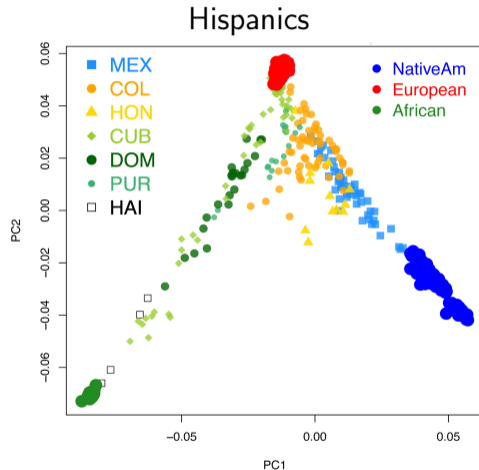
Inbreeding ≥ 0 relative
to a distant ancestral
population

Better measured using
covariance

Recently admixed populations



Baharian *et al.* (2016)



Moreno-Estrada *et al.* (2013)

Kinship model for genotypes

symbol	meaning
T	ref ancestral population
i	locus index
j, k	individual indexes
p_i^T	ref allele frequency
x_{ij}	genotype (num ref alleles)
φ_{jk}^T	kinship of j, k
f_j^T	inbreeding of j

Statistical model:

$$E[x_{ij} | T] = 2p_i^T,$$

$$\text{Var}(x_{ij} | T) = 2p_i^T (1 - p_i^T) (1 + f_j^T),$$

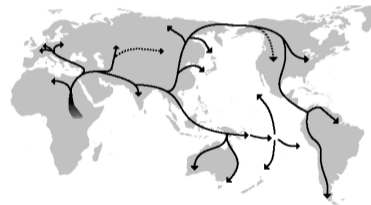
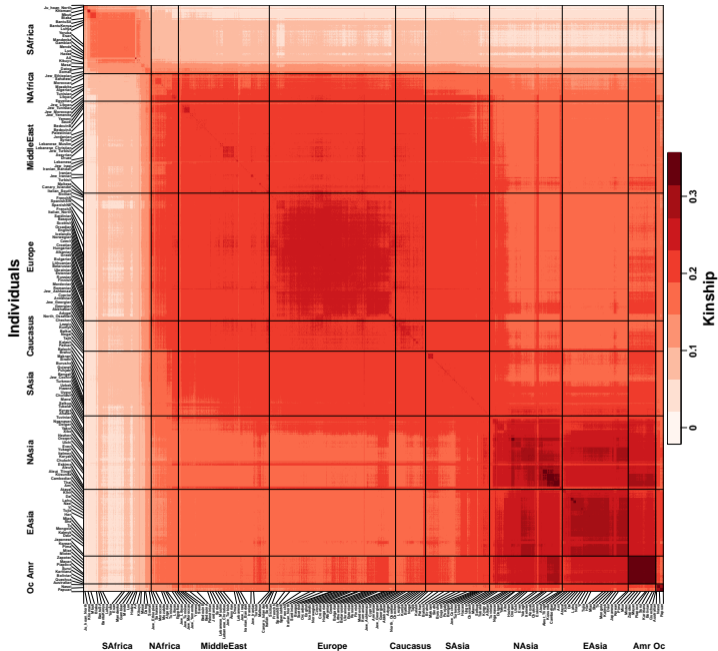
$$\text{Cov}(x_{ij}, x_{ik} | T) = 4p_i^T (1 - p_i^T) \varphi_{jk}^T.$$

(Wright 1921, 1951; Malécot 1948; Jacquard 1970).

We developed a new kinship estimation framework that works for arbitrary population structures!

New kinship estimates

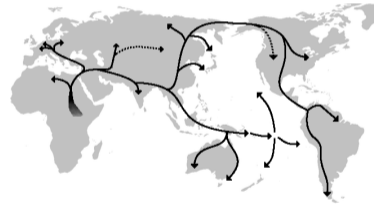
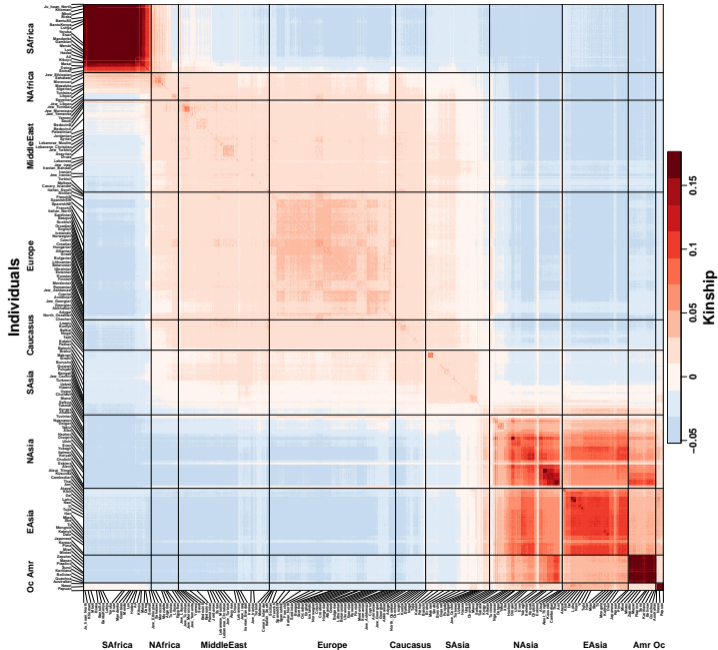
Genotypes from "Human Origins" (Lazaridis et al. 2014, 2016)



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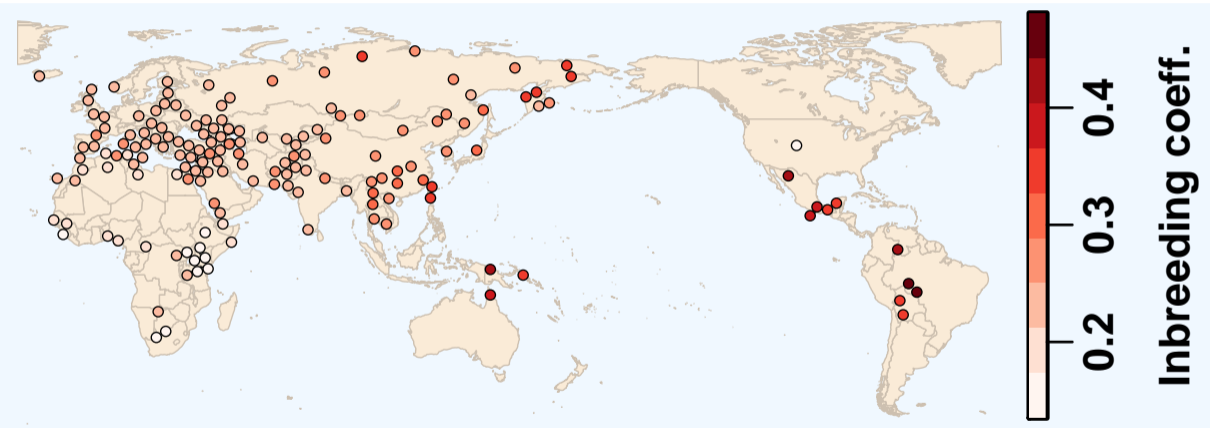
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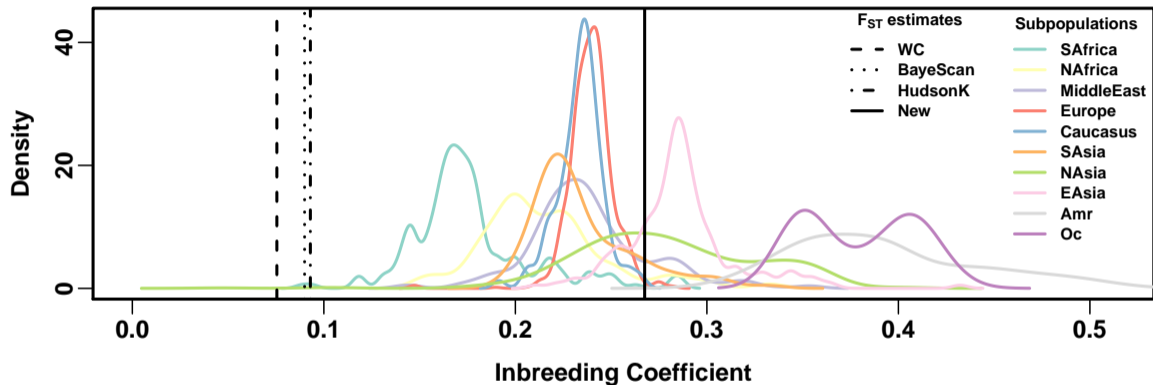


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Population-level inbreeding



Differentiation (F_{ST}) previously underestimated

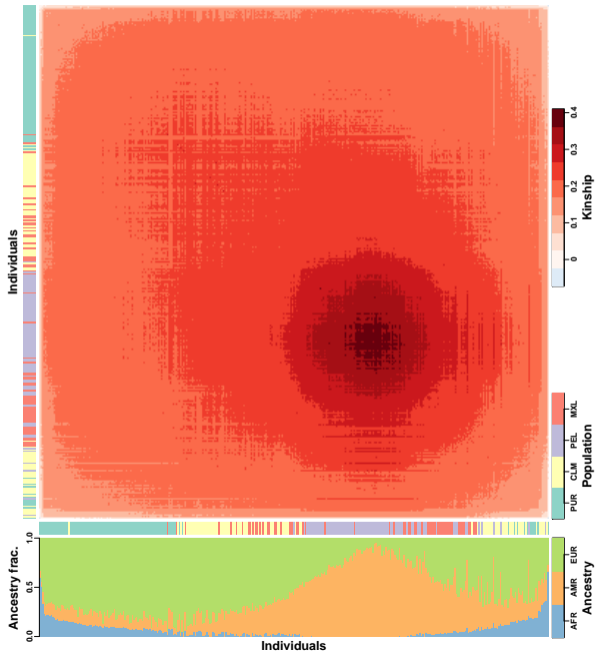


Generalized F_{ST} : reduction in mean heterozygosity from ancestral population.
(Prev. F_{ST} : proportion of variation between **independent** subpopulations).

Kinship driven by admixture in Hispanics

New kinship estimates

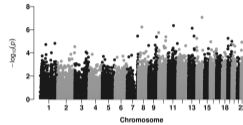
Genotypes from the 1000 Genomes Project (2012)



Improved relatedness has repercussions across genetics!



Easy to measure routinely



Search for disease-causing genetic variants



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Animal and plant breeding

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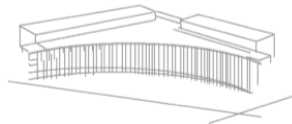
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Wright's F_{ST}

Total inbreeding:

$$F_{IT} = \frac{1}{|S|} \sum_{j \in S} f_j^T,$$

Local inbreeding:

$$F_{IS} = \frac{1}{|S|} \sum_{j \in S} f_j^S,$$

Structural inbreeding:

$$F_{ST} = \frac{F_{IT} - F_{IS}}{1 - F_{IS}}.$$

The generalized F_{ST}

Need the new concept of local subpopulations L_j (separates total from local inbreeding):

$$(1 - f_j^T) = (1 - f_j^{L_j}) (1 - f_{L_j}^T).$$

Generalized F_{ST} : applicable to arbitrary population structures, equals previous definition for non-overlapping subpopulations:

$$F_{ST} = \sum_{j=1}^n w_j f_{L_j}^T.$$

Mean heterozygosity in a structured population:

$$\bar{H}_i = 2p_i^T (1 - p_i^T) (1 - F_{ST}).$$

Bias in F_{ST} estimators for independent subpopulations

Previous estimators are biased for n dependent subpopulations even when each subpopulation is infinitely large (known AFs π_{ij}):

$$\hat{p}_i^T = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \pi_{ij}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_i^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^n (\pi_{ij} - \hat{p}_i^T)^2, \quad \bar{\theta}^T = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \theta_{jk}^T,$$
$$\hat{F}_{ST}^{\text{indep}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m \hat{\sigma}_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^m \hat{p}_i^T (1 - \hat{p}_i^T) + \frac{1}{n} \hat{\sigma}_i^2} \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} \frac{F_{ST} - \frac{1}{n-1} (n\bar{\theta}^T - F_{ST})}{1 - \frac{1}{n-1} (n\bar{\theta}^T - F_{ST})}.$$

Bias in standard kinship estimator

Estimator has a distorted bias (varies for every pair of individuals j, k):

$$\hat{p}_i^T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_{ij}, \quad \bar{\varphi}_j^T = \sum_{k'=1}^n w_{k'} \varphi_{jk'}^T, \quad \bar{\varphi}^T = \sum_{j'=1}^n \sum_{k'=1}^n w_{j'} w_{k'} \varphi_{j'k'}^T$$
$$\hat{\varphi}_{jk}^{T, \text{std}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (x_{ij} - 2\hat{p}_i^T) (x_{ik} - 2\hat{p}_i^T)}{4 \sum_{i=1}^m \hat{p}_i^T (1 - \hat{p}_i^T)} \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} \frac{\varphi_{jk}^T - \bar{\varphi}_j^T - \bar{\varphi}_k^T + \bar{\varphi}^T}{1 - \bar{\varphi}^T}.$$

Standard ancestral variance estimate also downwardly biased:

$$\mathbb{E} [\hat{p}_i^T (1 - \hat{p}_i^T) | T] = p_i^T (1 - p_i^T) (1 - \bar{\varphi}^T),$$

New estimator: two steps

Step 1: “pre-adjusted” kinship estimator with uniform bias.

$$\hat{\varphi}_{jk}^{T,\text{preadj}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (x_{ij} - 1)(x_{ik} - 1) - 1}{4 \sum_{i=1}^m \hat{\rho}_i^T (1 - \hat{\rho}_i^T)} + 1 \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} \frac{\varphi_{jk}^T - \bar{\varphi}^T}{1 - \bar{\varphi}^T},$$

Step 2: Estimate minimum kinship, use to unbias “step 1” estimates.

$$\hat{\varphi}_{\min}^{T,\text{preadj}} \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} -\frac{\bar{\varphi}^T}{1 - \bar{\varphi}^T}, \quad \hat{\varphi}_{jk}^{T,\text{new}} = \frac{\hat{\varphi}_{jk}^{T,\text{preadj}} - \hat{\varphi}_{\min}^{T,\text{preadj}}}{1 - \hat{\varphi}_{\min}^{T,\text{preadj}}} \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} \varphi_{jk}^T$$

$$\hat{f}_j^{T,\text{new}} = 2\hat{\varphi}_{jj}^{T,\text{new}} - 1 \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} f_j^T, \quad \hat{F}_{\text{ST}}^{\text{new}} = \sum_{j=1}^n w_j \hat{f}_j^{T,\text{new}} \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} F_{\text{ST}}.$$