

# *Continuing the transformation*



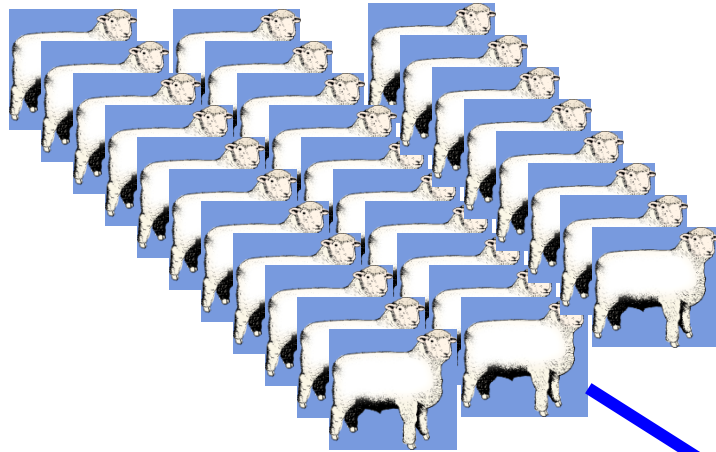
## Accuracy of Genomic Prediction

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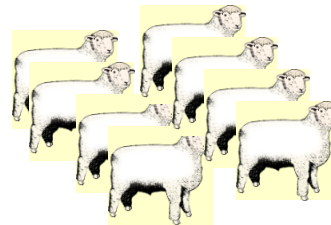
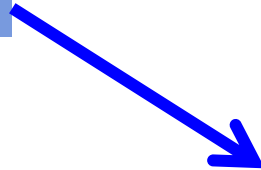
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# Genomic Prediction: basic idea



Reference population  
measured and DNA tested



Young rams  
Only DNA tested

To predict a trait EBV at a young age,

good for for:

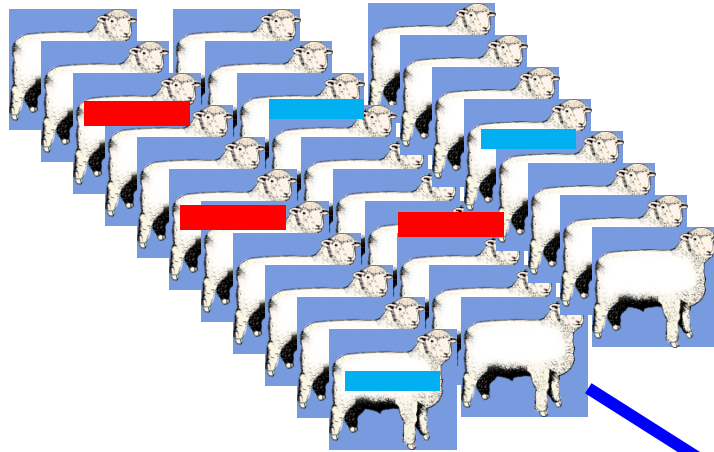
late traits

hard to measure traits

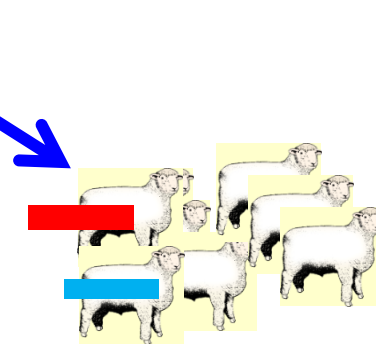
# Genomic prediction accuracy

- Derive from the model, e.g. PEV from GBLUP mixed model equations
- Validate with other EBVs or phenotypes
  - Validation population
  - Cross-validation
- Predict in advance based on theory and assumptions about population

# Genomic Prediction: basic idea



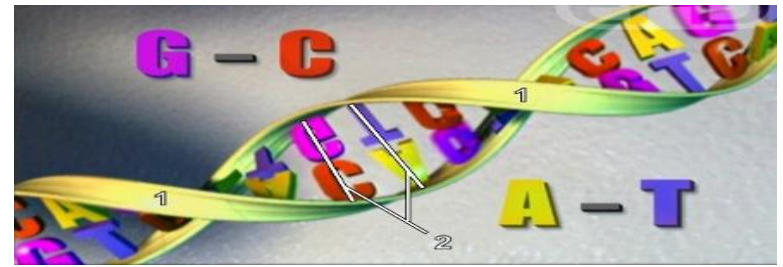
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lots of sheep, and their DNA  
→ Reference population



2) A breeder tests  
DNA on **young rams**

Illustrating (dis-)similarity of chromosome segments

# Genotype information



Father

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10100111011100111001110011  
01010011100011000110011010
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Mother

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00010011110010101100110011  
10101110101111111111111110
```

*Chromosome segments  
are passed on*

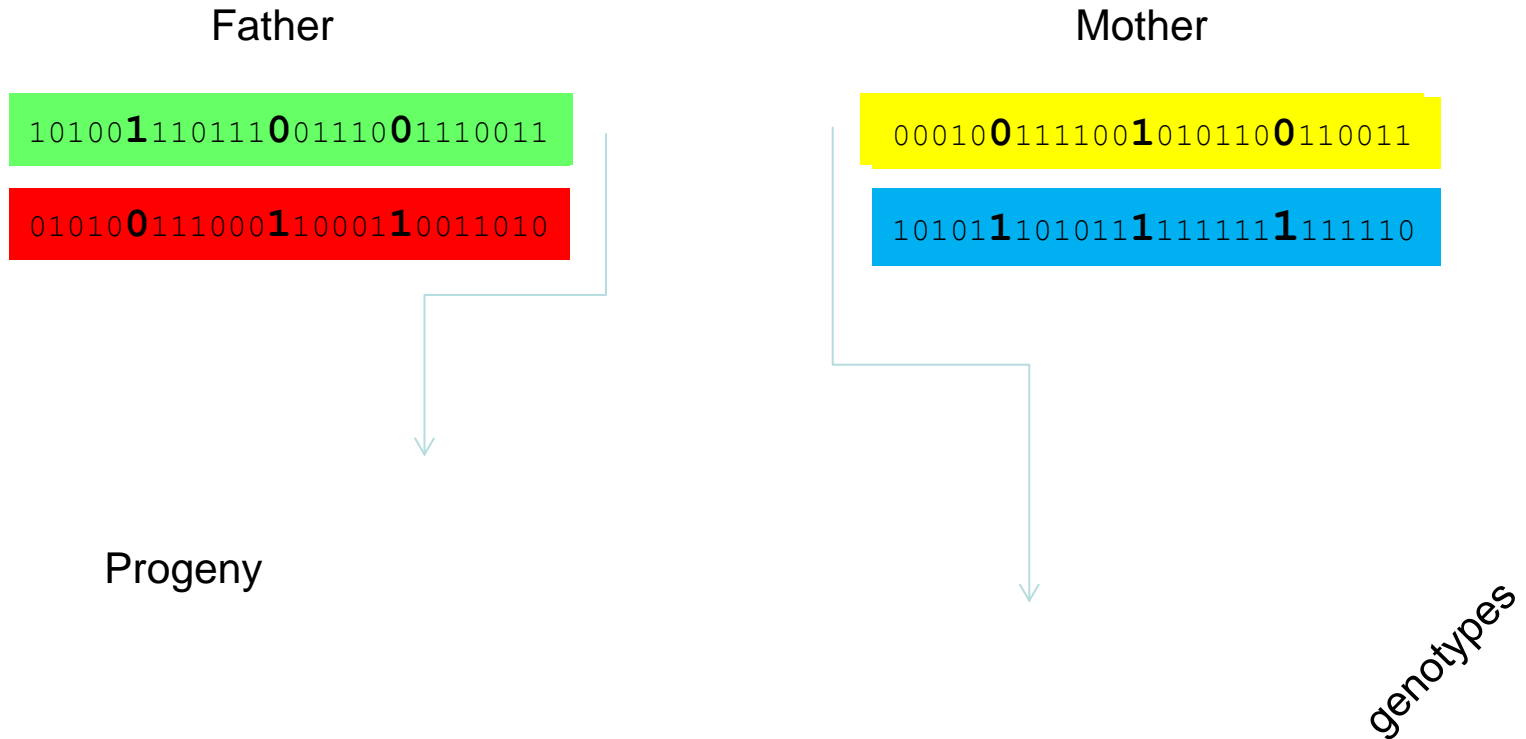


Progeny

```
10100111011100111001110011  
00010011110010101100110011
```

*genotypes*

# Working out haplotypes (phasing)



# Filling in the gaps (imputation)

Father

10100**1**110111**0**011110**0**1110011

50k

Mother

00010**0**1111100**1**0101110**0**1110011

010**0**1111000**1**10001**1**0011010



10101**1**101011**1**1111111**1**11

Progeny

-----**1**-----**0**-----**0**-----

-----**0**-----**1**-----**0**-----

12k

Can afford cheaper testing  
(12k rather than 50k)

# A whole population of haplotypes

Individual

1	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	1043	###	1541	1541	1541	
	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	655	655	655	655	655	655	###	1129	1129	1129	
2	1088	1088	1088	1088	1088	1088	1088	1088	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	###	1192	623	623
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3	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	655	655	655	655	655	655	###	1038	1038	1038	
	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	1192	###	1192	1192	1043
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7	129	129	129	129	1038	1038	199	199	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129
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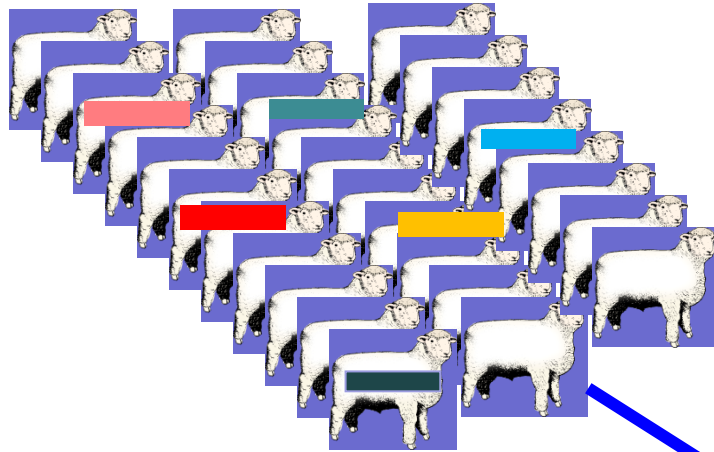
Within a population, members will share chromosome segments

We can follow inheritance via SNPs

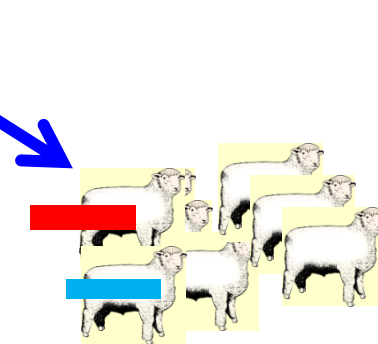
Degree of sharing can be represented in a genomic relationship (= observed based on SNPs)  
(similar to genetic relationship = expected based on pedigree)



# Genomic Prediction: basic idea



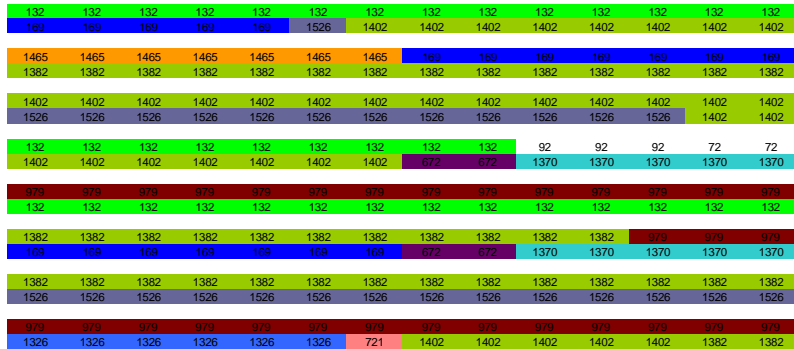
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Large diversity of segments → less accuracy

# populations of haplotypes



Holstein Friesian, a pig/poultry nucleus

Limited diversity  
Long segment sharing

Smaller  $N_e$ , longer segment sharing, fewer “effective loci”

Merino sheep, humans

More diversity  
Short segment sharing  
Sub populations



Fine wool, small

Coarse wool, big

Not only recent  $N_e$  but also historic  $N_e$  is relevant

# Genomic prediction accuracy Using Daetwyler et al, 2008

Accuracy<sup>2</sup> of estimating a random effect =  $n / (n + \lambda)$        $\lambda = V_e / V_a$

If genome exists of  $M_e$  independently segregating 'effective chromosome segments'

And each segment has variance  $V_a / M_e$ , then accuracy of estimating each segment

$$\frac{n}{n + V_e / (V_a / M_e)} = \frac{n V_a}{n V_a + V_e M_e} = \frac{h^2}{h^2 + M_e / n}$$

$n$  = nr observations

$M_e$  = effective nr loci

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- ii) Accuracy of estimating marker effects

$$r^2_{\text{Qhat}} = V_{\text{qhat}}/V_q = N/(N + \lambda)$$
$$\lambda = M_e/b.h^2$$

$$\text{Accuracy} = \sqrt{q^2 \cdot r^2_{\text{Qhat}}}$$
$$= q \cdot r_{\text{Qhat}}$$



# Genomic prediction accuracy *Using Goddard et al, 2011*

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$$b = M / (M_e + M)$$

↳ Depends on marker-QTL LD

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$M$  = # markers

$M_e$  = 'effective number of chromosome segments'

$$M_e = 2N_e Lk / \ln(2N_e)$$

or is it...?

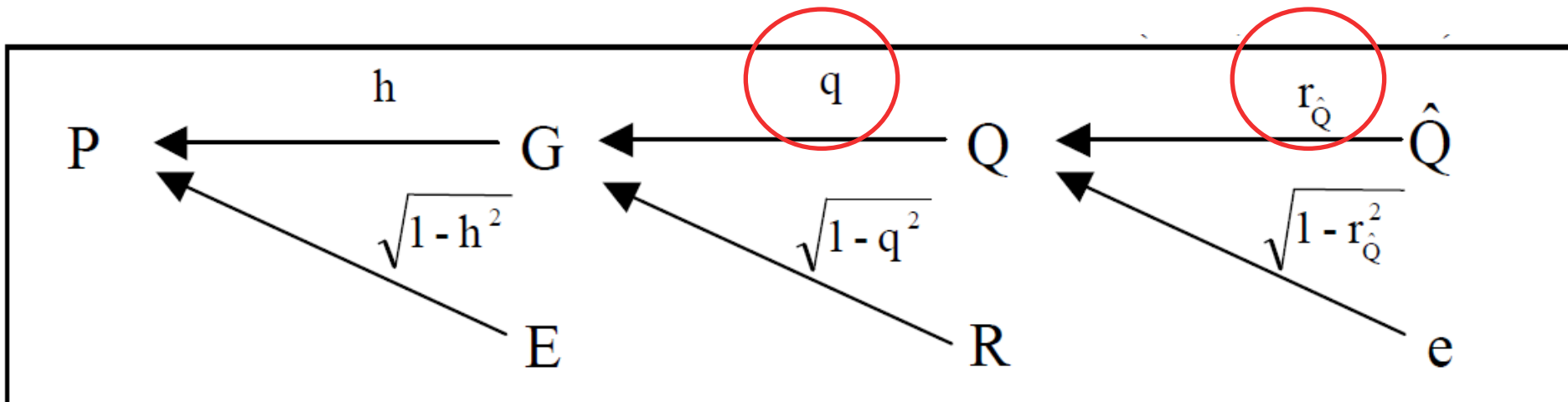
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$$\lambda = M_e / b \cdot h^2$$

$$\text{Accuracy} = \sqrt{b \cdot V_{\hat{q}} / V_q}$$





Trait heritability =  $h^2$

$G$  = total BV

$Q$  = genetic effects captured by marker(s)

$R$  = residual polygenic effects

After Goddard et al. (2011, JABG 128);  
notation after Dekkers (2007, JABG 124)

Model for phenotype:  $P = G + E$

Model for BV:  $G = Q + R$



# Comparing

*Daetwyler et al, 2008 Goddard et al, 2011*

## With very many markers

- i) Proportion of genetic variance at QTL captured by markers  $q^2 = M/(M_e + M)$

$$q^2 = 1$$



- i) Accuracy of estimating marker effects

$$r^2_{\text{Qhat}} = V_{\text{qhat}}/V_q = N/(N + \lambda) = h^2 / (h^2 + M_e/N)$$

$$\lambda = M_e/h^2$$

same as Daetwyler

$$\text{Accuracy} = \sqrt{r^2_{\text{Qhat}}}$$

$$= r_{\text{Qhat}}$$



# Current question

With very many markers, e.g. sequence, will we be better off?

What if nr markers  $\gg$  nr chromosome segments?

# Effective number of chromosome segments

Sample size 2000  
 Heritability 0.05  
 Number of chromosome 5  
 Length of the chromosome 1 Morgan  
 Replicates 100

$$M_e = 2N_e Lk / \ln(2N_e) \quad \text{or is it...?}$$

Ne (=number of generations)	100	1000	5000	Infinity
	number of QTL = 50000			
average	0.556	0.279	0.148	0.045
SD	0.055	0.042	0.032	
Me	223	1184	4465	50000
	Mike's theory			
4NeLk	2000	20000	100000	
2NeLk/log(4NeL)	303	2325	10000	
2NeLk	1000	10000	50000	
2NeLk	1000	10000	50000	
2NeLk/log(NeL)	371	2703	11369	
2NeLk/log(2Ne)	435	3029	12500	
2NeLk/ln(NeL)	217	1448	5870	
2NeLk/ln(2Ne)	189	1316	5429	

# Validating 'Effective number of segments'

Can use actual data on A and G to test this

Compare G and A matrices  $G - A = D + E$

D = deviation in relationship at QTL

$$\text{Var}(D) = 1/M_e$$

E = error

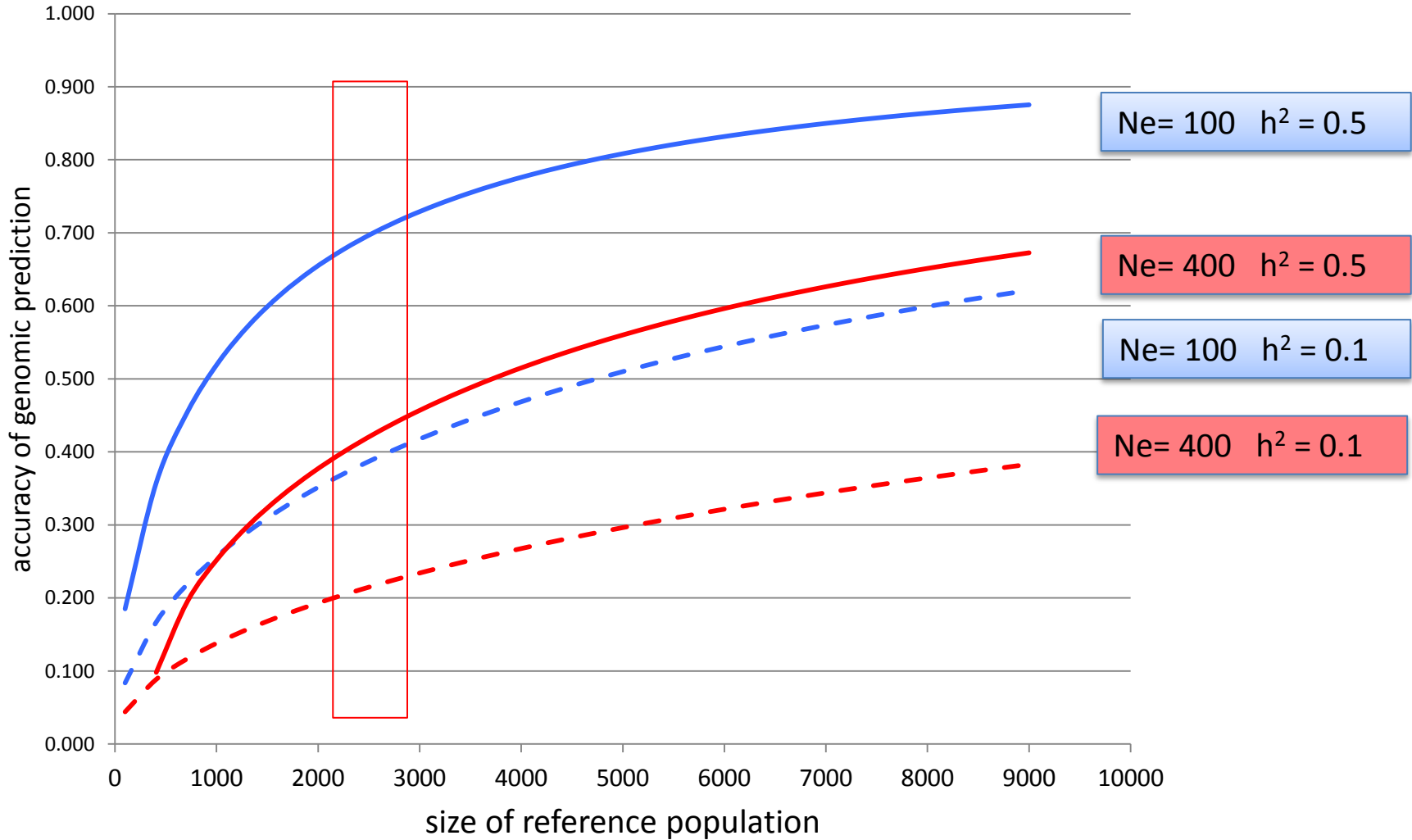
$$\text{Var}(E) = 1/nr \text{ Markers}$$

# Empirical validation

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Erbe M, Gredler B, Seefried FR, Bapst B, Simianer H (2013) A Function Accounting for Training Set Size and Marker Density to Model the Average Accuracy of Genomic Prediction. *PLoS ONE* 8(12): e81046. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0081046

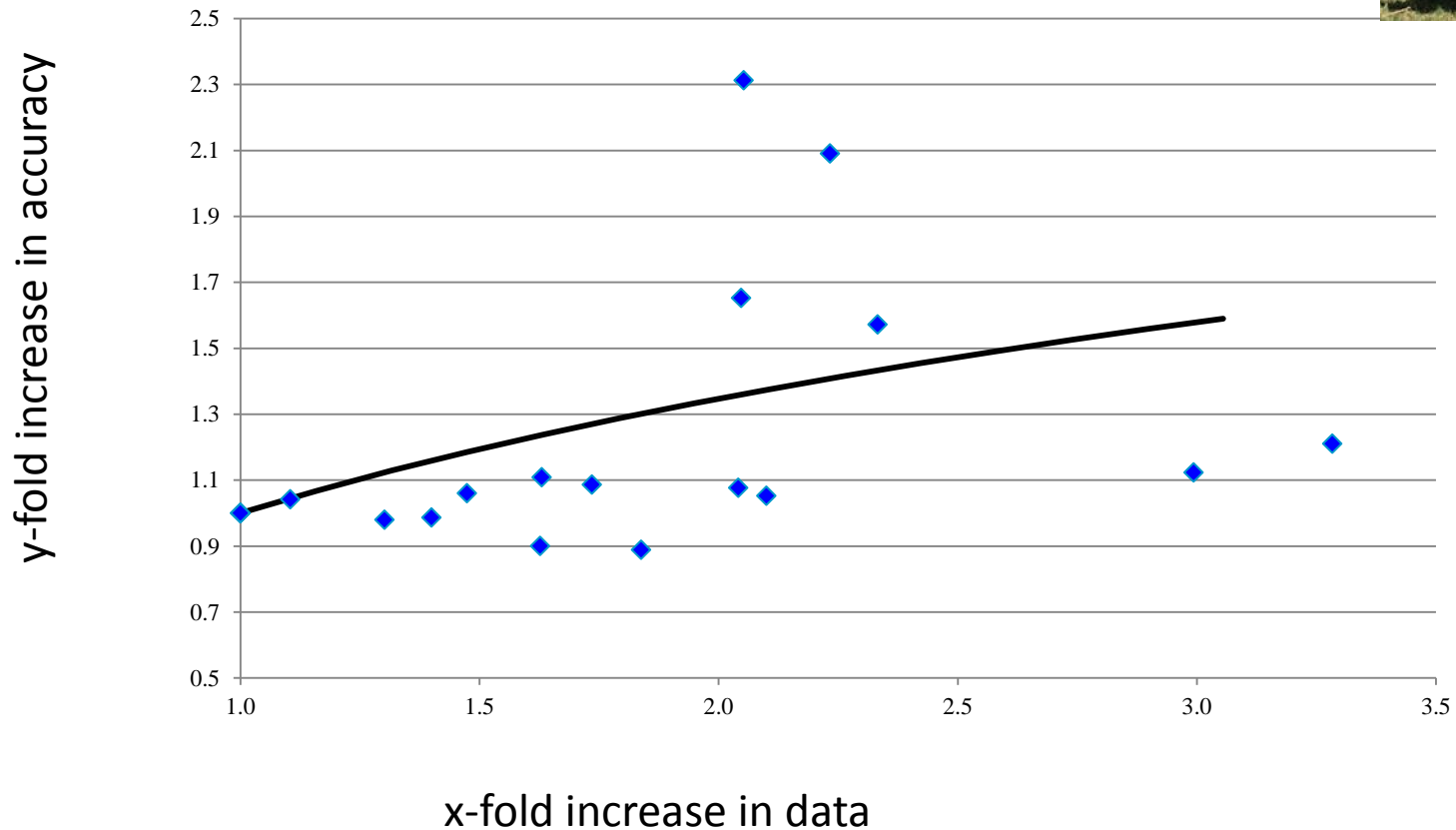
# Genomic prediction accuracy *Using Goddard et al, 2011*



# Validating 'Genomic Prediction Accuracy'

More data is always good

But does it increase accuracy as expected?



# What effective population size?

*Kijas et al 2012*

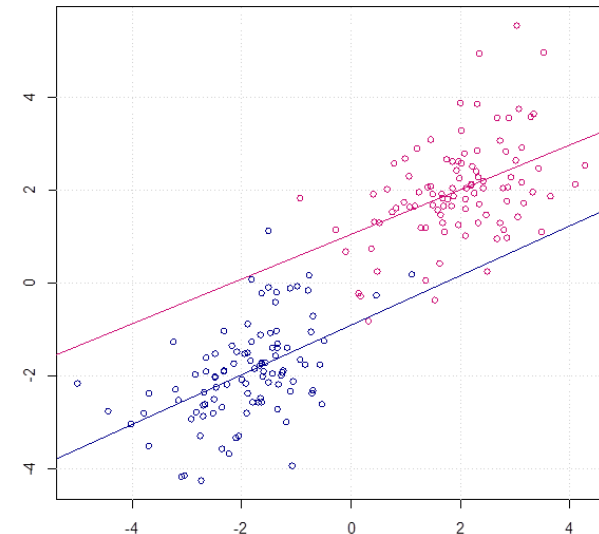
- Sampling?



Populations not homogeneous.

Within and between breed/line accuracies

Some accuracy due to population structure





# Relationship with reference population

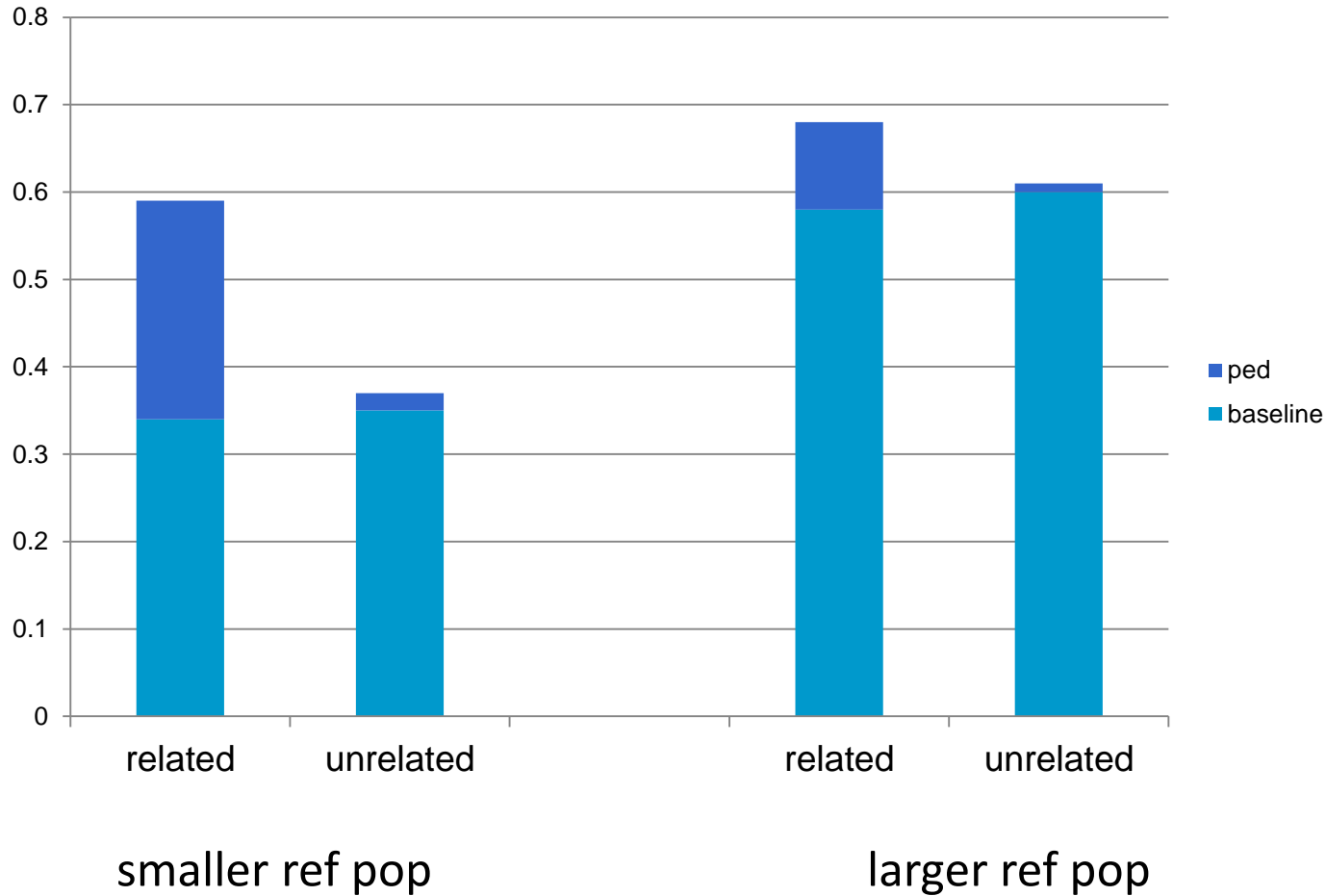
Clark et al 2011

<b>Method</b>	<b>Close</b> Ped 0 - 0.25 Genom 0.08 – 0.35	<b>Distant</b> 0 - 0.125 0.08 – 0.26	<b>Unrelated</b> 0 - 0.05 0.08 – 0.16
BLUP- Shallow pedigree	0.39	0.00	0.00
BLUP- Deep Pedigree	0.42	0.21	0.04
gBLUP	<b>0.57</b>	0.41	<b>0.34</b>

Additional accuracy from family info

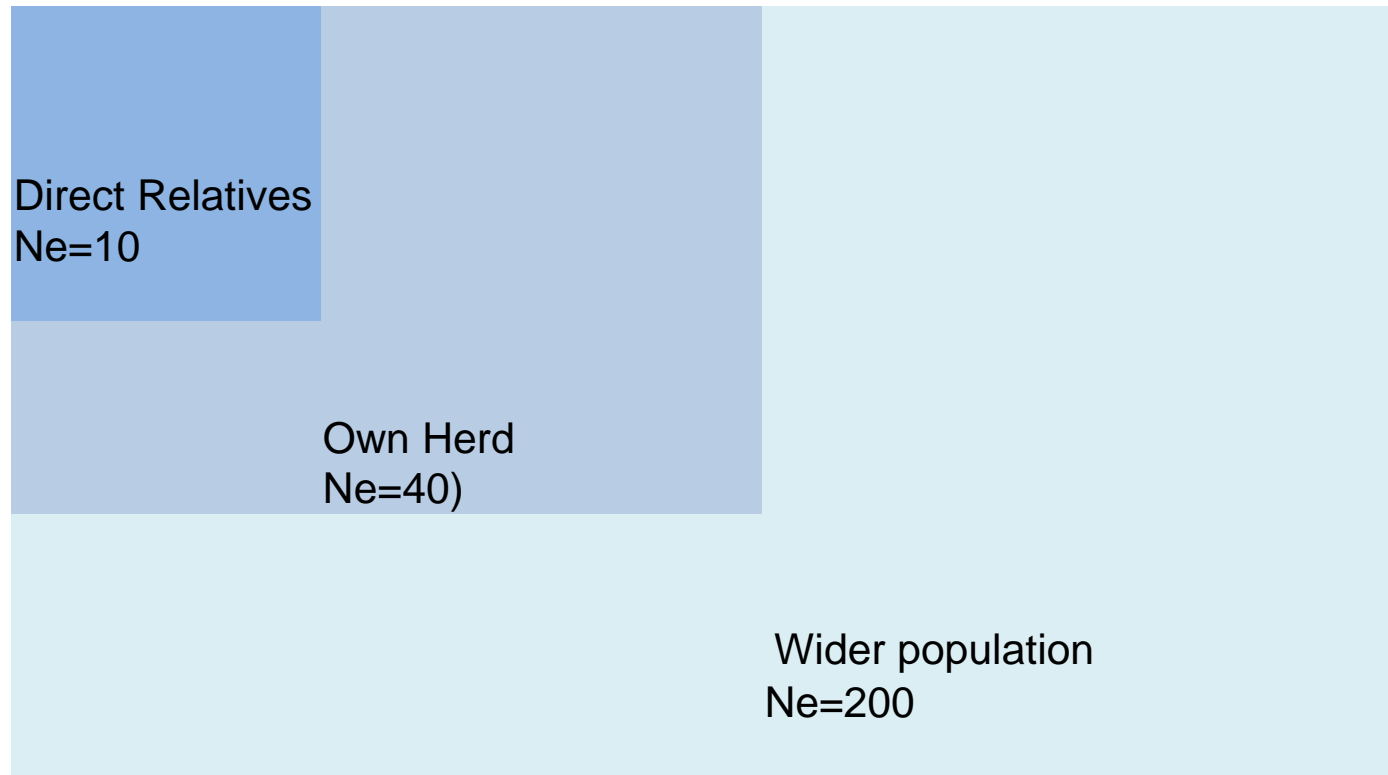
'baseline accuracy': graphs predict 0.36  
for  $N_e=100$ ,  $N=1750$ ,  $h^2=0.3$

# Relatedness matters more if the reference population is smaller



# Using a stratified Reference population

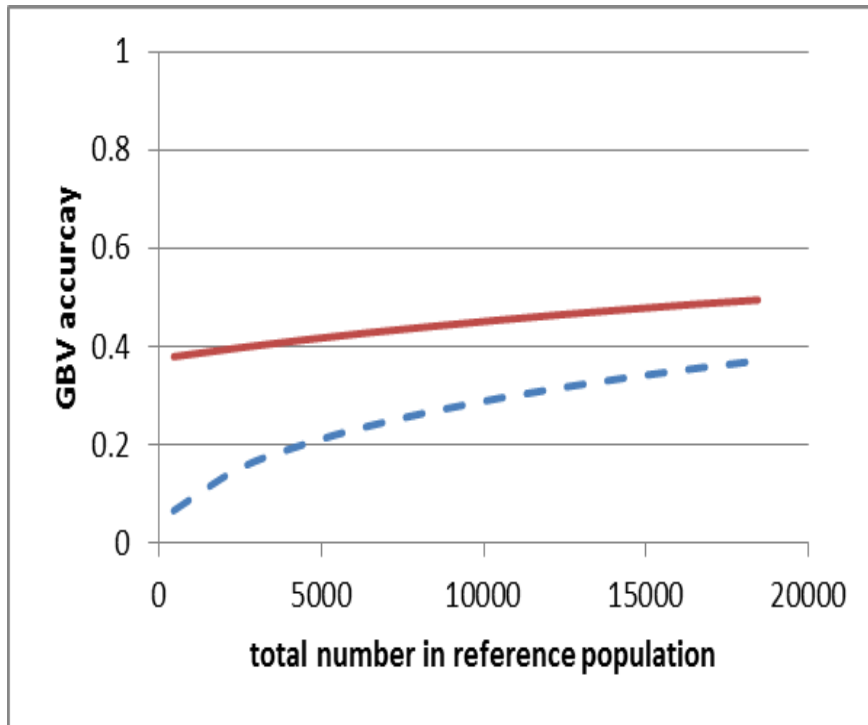
-populations are not homogeneous



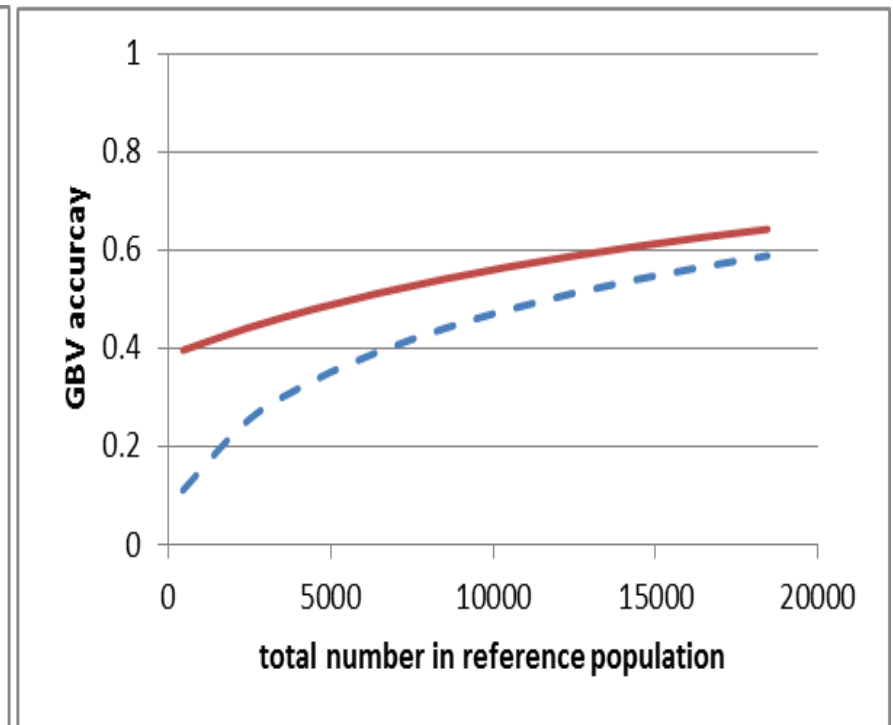
## Accuracy of GBV

vary total reference population size

comparing 'with' (continuous line) and 'without' (dashed line) information on own herd and relatives.



Nmarkers=12k



Nmarkers = 500k

# Contribution of different sources Van der Werf et al, AAABG 2015

**Table 1 Value of the various information sources, accuracy of GBV with and without the *flock* and *relatives* information sources<sup>2</sup> and the relative accuracy difference (diff).**

N1	Value of information source <sup>1</sup>			GBV_acc_with	GBV_acc_wo	diff <sup>3</sup>
	<i>breed</i>	<i>flock</i>	<i>relatives</i>			
<b><u>NE1=1000, N2=400, N3=50</u></b>						
2000	16%	52%	21%	0.428	0.220	95%
5000	31%	39%	15%	0.471	0.318	48%
10,000	45%	26%	10%	0.528	0.420	26%
<b><u>NE1=1000, N2=100, N3=10</u></b>						
2000	48%	36%	12%	0.279	0.205	36%
5000	68%	19%	6%	0.357	0.309	15%
10,000	79%	11%	4%	0.445	0.414	7%
<b><u>NE1=200, N2=400, N3=50</u></b>						
2000	45%	26%	10%	0.528	0.448	18%
5000	62%	12%	5%	0.640	0.599	7%
10,000	72%	5%	2%	0.739	0.718	3%

<sup>1</sup> Percent decrease in accuracy if this information source was removed.

<sup>2</sup>  $N_{E2} = 50$ ,  $N_{E3} = 8$ , Marker density = 50k.

<sup>3</sup> Difference between prediction accuracy with and without information from flock and relatives

# Conclusions

- Theory exists to predict genomic prediction accuracy in advance: depends on nr. effective segments, nr records
- Relies on assumptions regarding effective population size
- Ignores heterogeneity of populations and relationships

