

ISFG Summer School - Virtual Edition 2023

# Pedigree analysis

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# Schedule

The course runs from 18 to 22 (CEST) each day, with a 15 minute break in the middle. The following schedule is tentative:

## Aug 30 (Wednesday) – Pedigree analysis: Basic

- 18:00–19:15 Lecture 1. **Pedigrees and measures of relatedness** (MDV)
- 19:15–20:00 Exercise set 1
- 20:00–20:15 *Break*
- 20:15–21:00 Lecture 2. **Kinship testing** (TE)
- 21:00–21:45 Exercise set 2
- 21:45–22:00 Summary and discussion

## Aug 31 (Thursday) – Pedigree analysis: Advanced

- 18:00–19:00 Lecture 3. **Relatedness inference and pedigree reconstruction** (MDV)
- 19:00–19:45 Exercise set 3
- 19:45–20:00 *Break*
- 20:00–21:00 Lecture 4. **Disaster victim identification** (TE)
- 21:00–21:45 Exercise set 4
- 21:45–22:00 Summary and discussion

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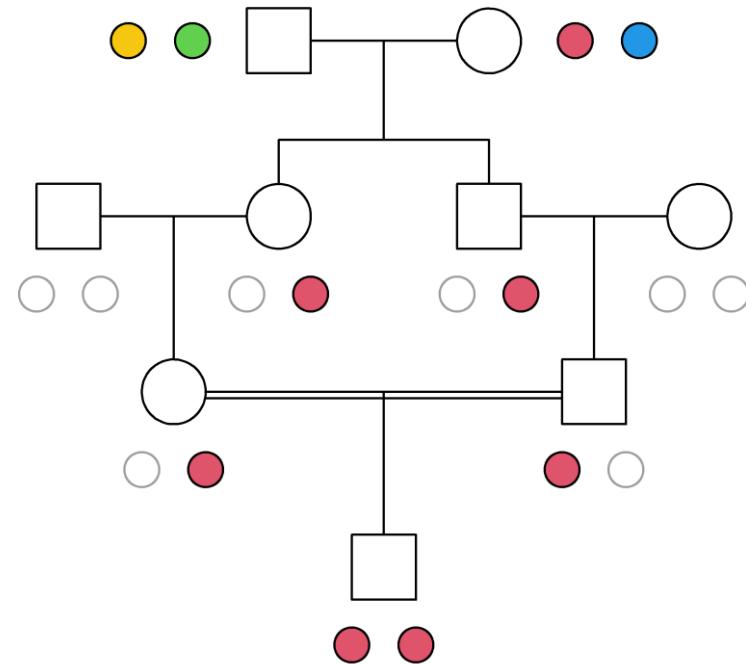
# Inference of relatedness & Pedigree reconstruction

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**Pedigree analysis: Advanced**

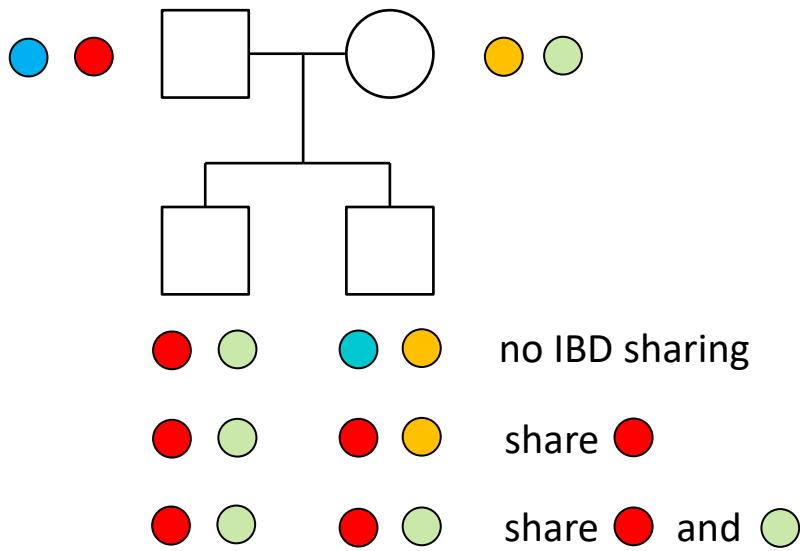
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# Identity by descent (IBD)



# IBD coefficients

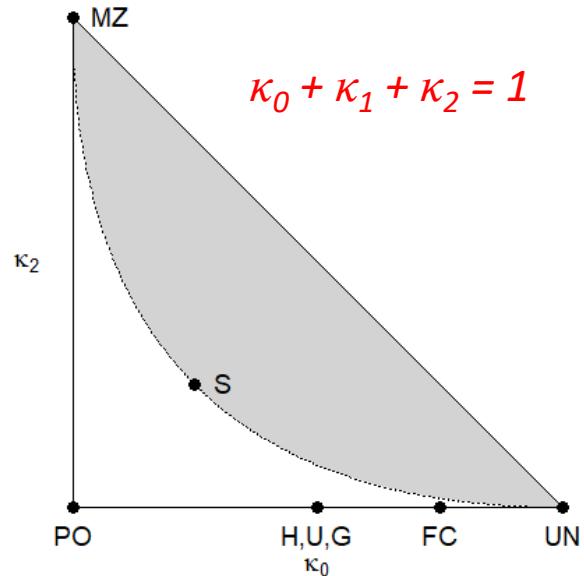
- How many alleles are IBD in each locus?



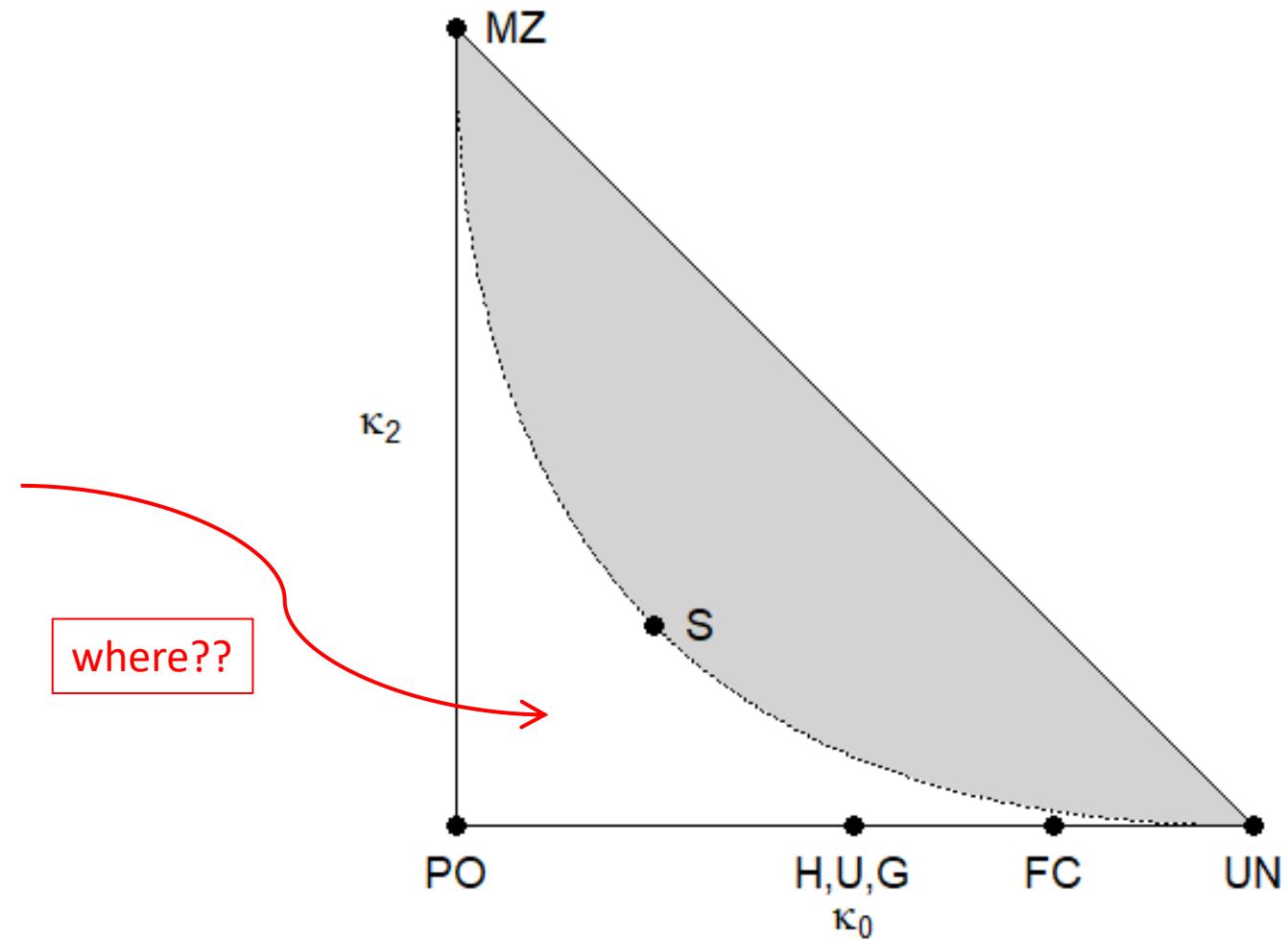
## Definition

- $\kappa_0 = \text{Pr}(0 \text{ alleles IBD})$
- $\kappa_1 = \text{Pr}(1 \text{ alleles IBD})$
- $\kappa_2 = \text{Pr}(2 \text{ alleles IBD})$

(at random autosomal locus)



# Part I: Inference of pairwise relatedness

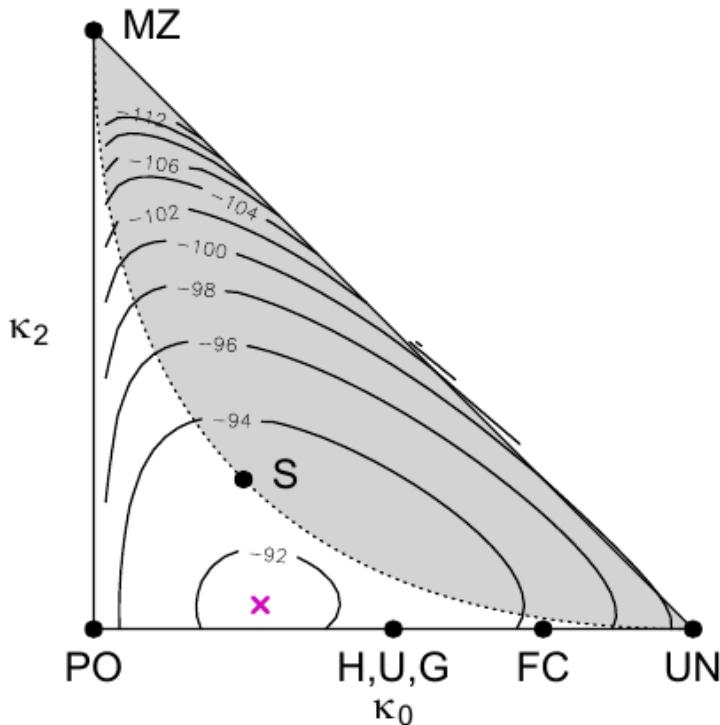


# Maximum likelihood estimation of $\kappa = (\kappa_0, \kappa_1, \kappa_2)$

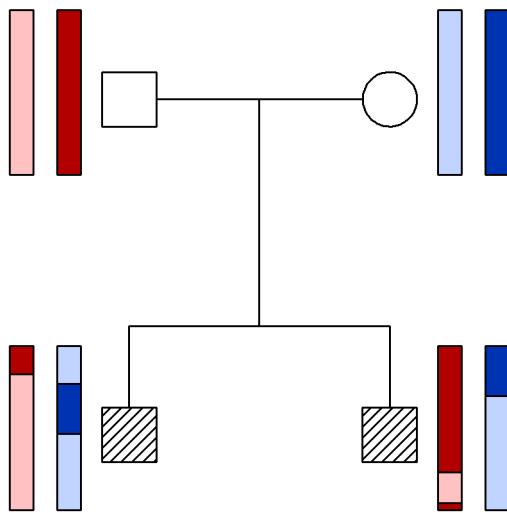
- Thompson (1975)
  - Given: marker genotypes for two individuals
  - The likelihood function

$$L(\kappa) = P(\text{genotypes} \mid \kappa)$$

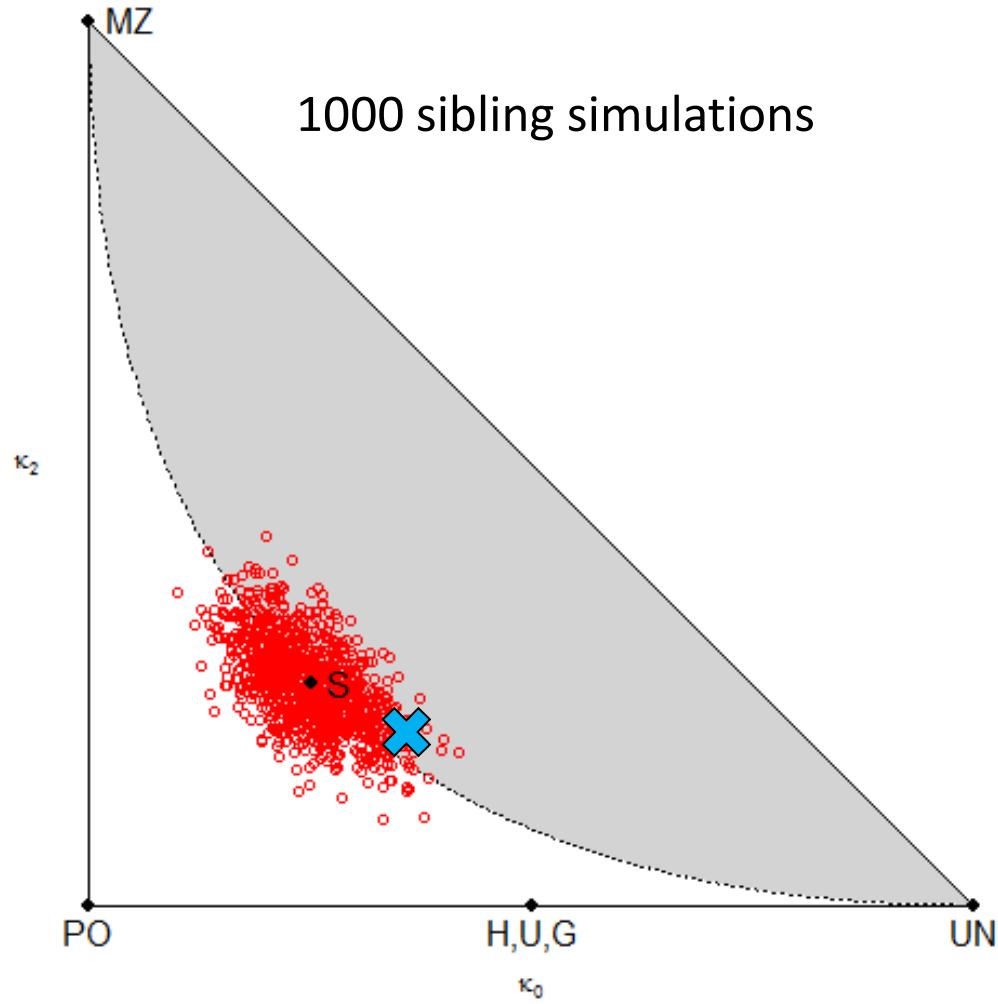
- Find the point  $\kappa$  which maximizes  $L$ !
  - Called the maximum likelihood estimate (MLE)
- Assumptions:
  - known allele freqs
  - HWE
  - no inbreeding



# What are we estimating?

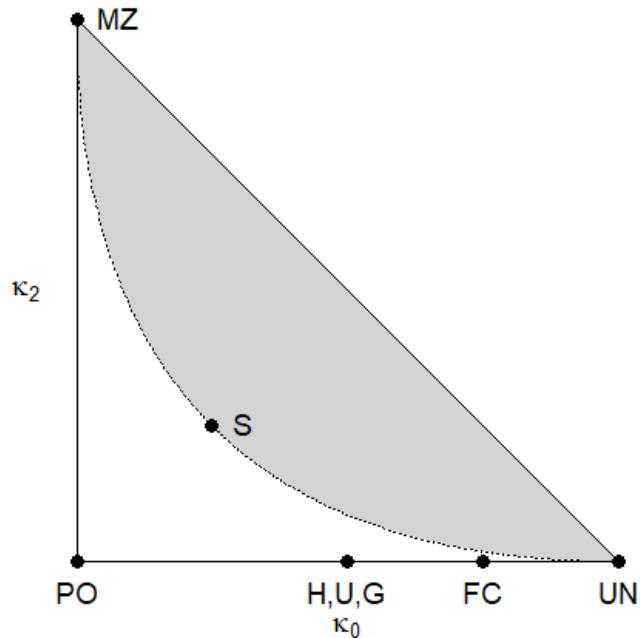


Answer: The *realised* coefficients!



# Implementations

- R
  - pedsuite (forrel)
  - SNPrelate, GWASTools (optimized for association studies)
  - CrypticIBDcheck (as above, slow with many markers)
  - +++
- Other
  - PLINK
  - KING
  - Beagle
  - +++





# Pairwise inference in R

- Key functions

```
> ibdEstimate()          # estimate kappa  
> showInTriangle()      # visualize!  
> ibdBootstrap()        # bootstrap confidence  
> checkPairwise()       # detect pedigree errors
```

- Simulation

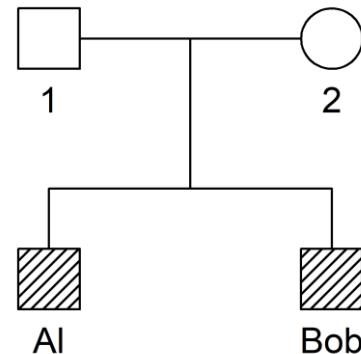
```
> markerSim()           # iid markers  
> profileSim()          # complete profiles
```

(Both of these support conditioning on known genotypes)

# Pairwise inference in R: Example

Simulate 100 SNPs for a pair of siblings

```
> library(pedsuite) # includes forrel  
  
> ids = c("Al", "Bob")  
> x = nuclearPed(children = ids)  
  
> x = markerSim(x, N = 100, ids = ids,  
+                 alleles = 1:2, seed = 1234)  
> x  
id fid mid sex <1> <2> <3> <4> <5>  
1   *   *   1  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-  
2   *   *   2  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-  
Al   1   2   1  1/1  1/2  1/1  1/2  2/2  
Bob  1   2   1  1/1  1/2  1/1  1/2  2/2  
Only 5 (out of 100) markers are shown.  
  
> dat = list(subset(x, "Al"),  
+             subset(x, "Bob"))
```

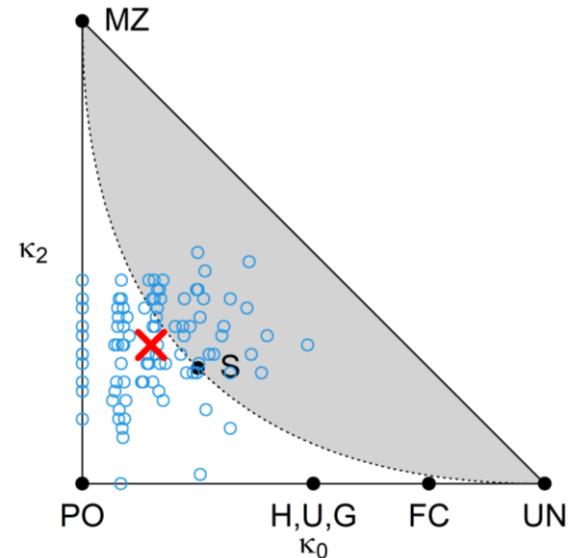
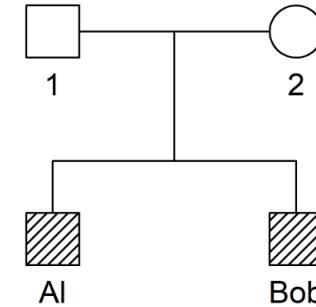
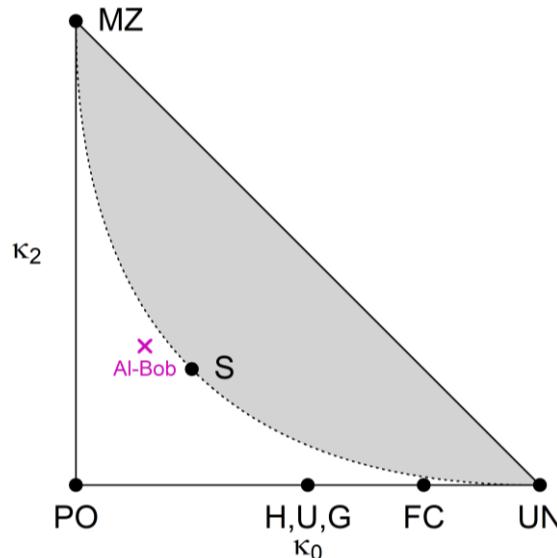


# Pairwise inference in R: Example



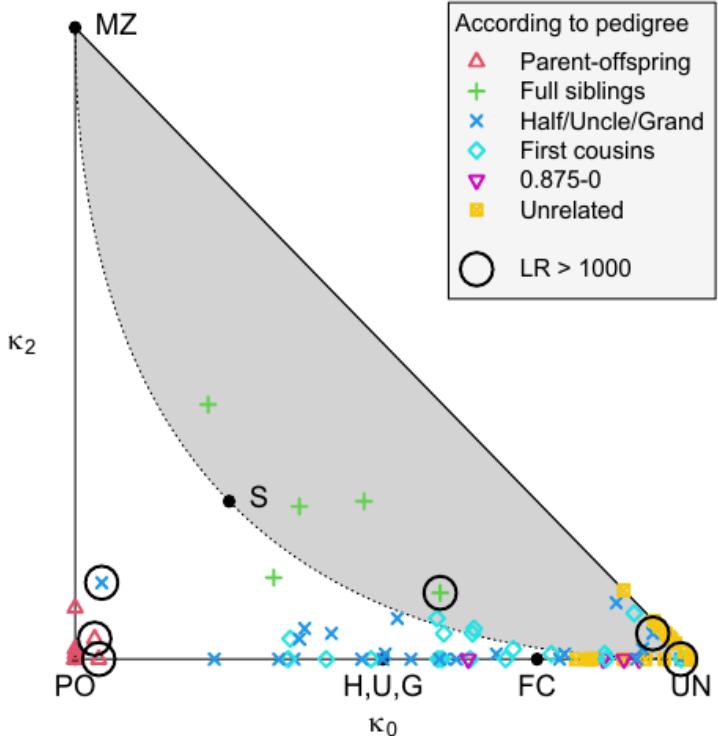
Estimate kappa from the data

```
> k = ibdEstimate(dat)  
> k  
id1 id2   N      k0      k1      k2  
1  Al Bob 100 0.1486 0.55139 0.30002  
> showInTriangle(k, labels = T)  
> bs = ibdBootstrap(dat, ids, N = 100,  
                      param = "kappa")
```

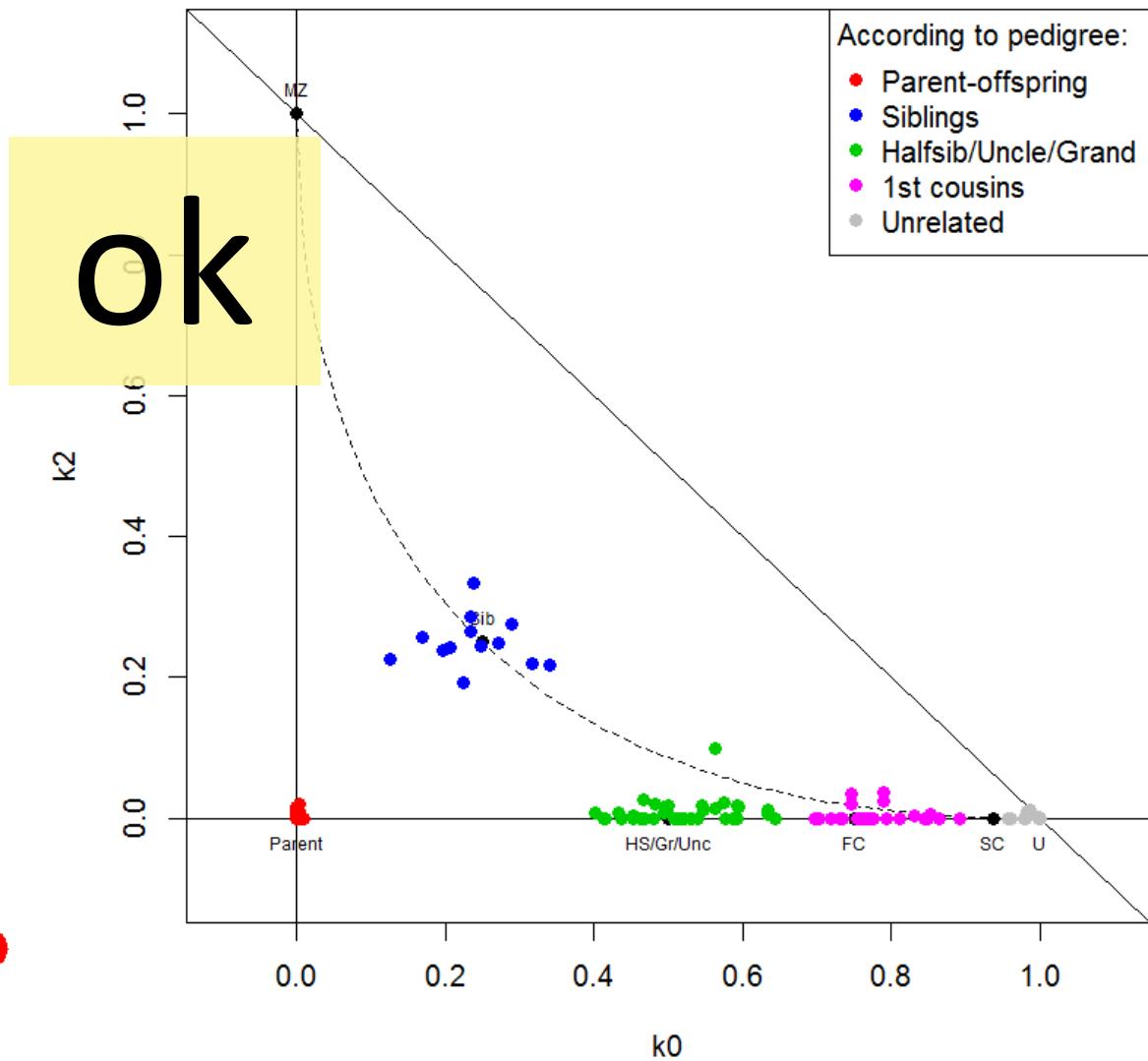
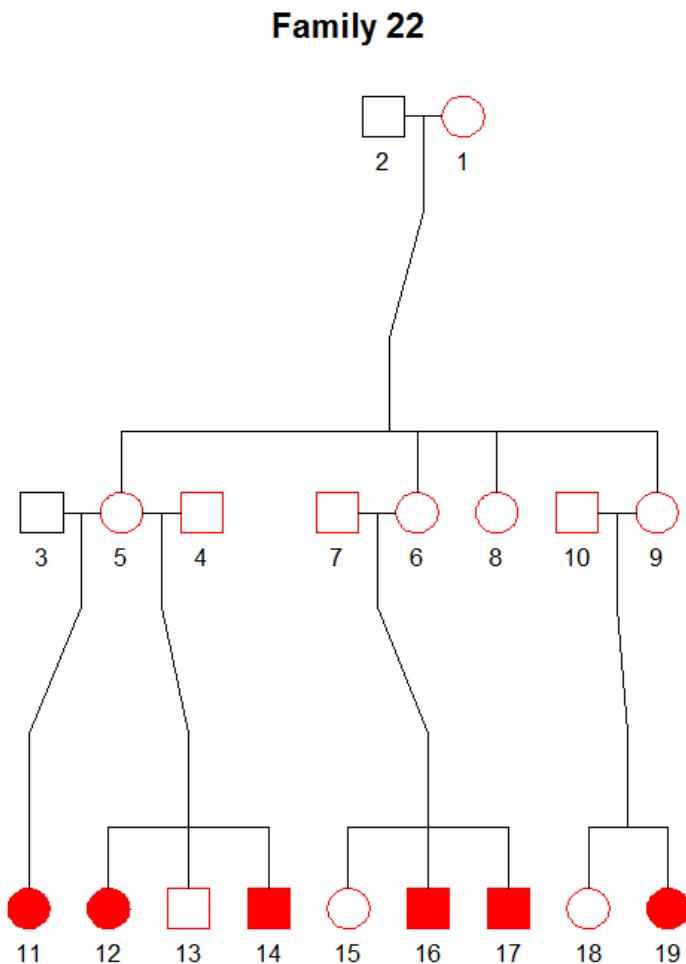


# Application: Detecting pedigree errors

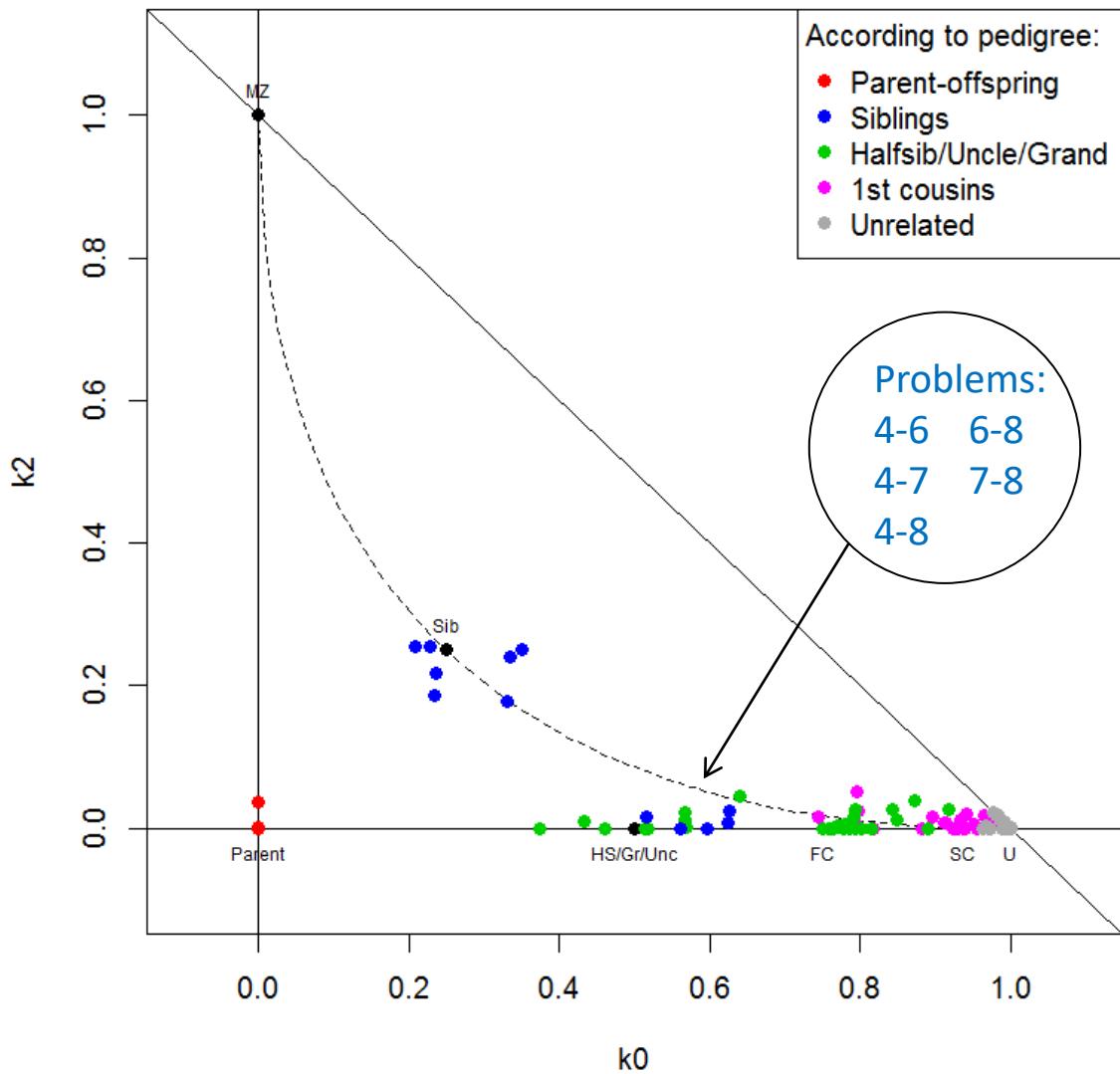
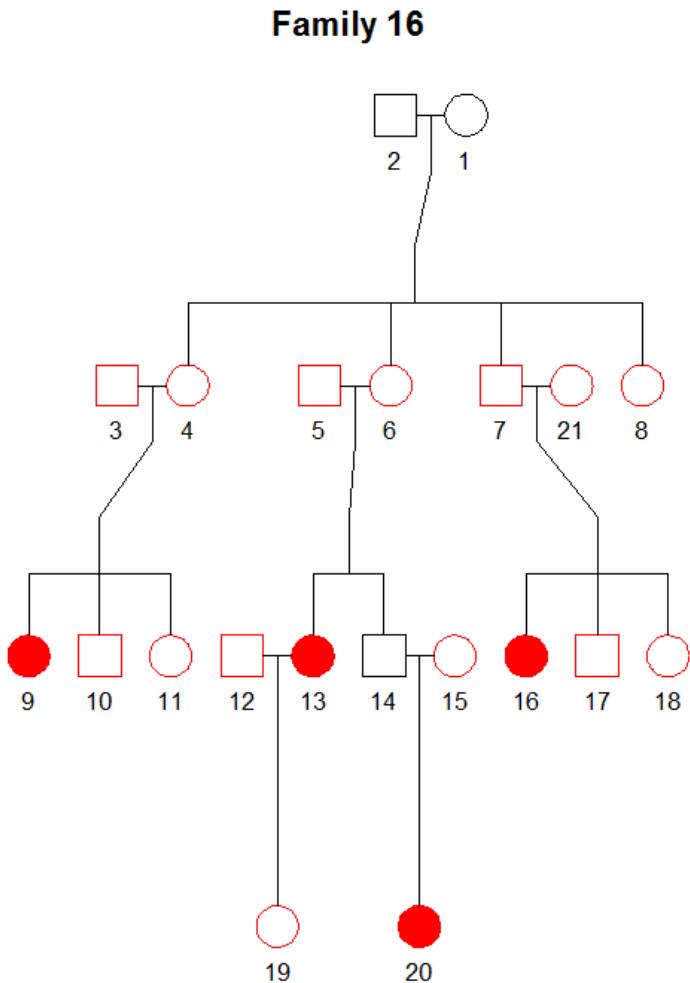
- Suppose  $x$  is a pedigree object with attached markers
- The function `checkPairwise(x)` computes:
  - pedigree-based kappa for all pairs: `kappaIBD(x)`
  - marker-based kappa estimates for all pairs: `ibdEstimate(x)`
  - LR comparing the two
  - Color-coded plot according to relationship claimed by pedigree



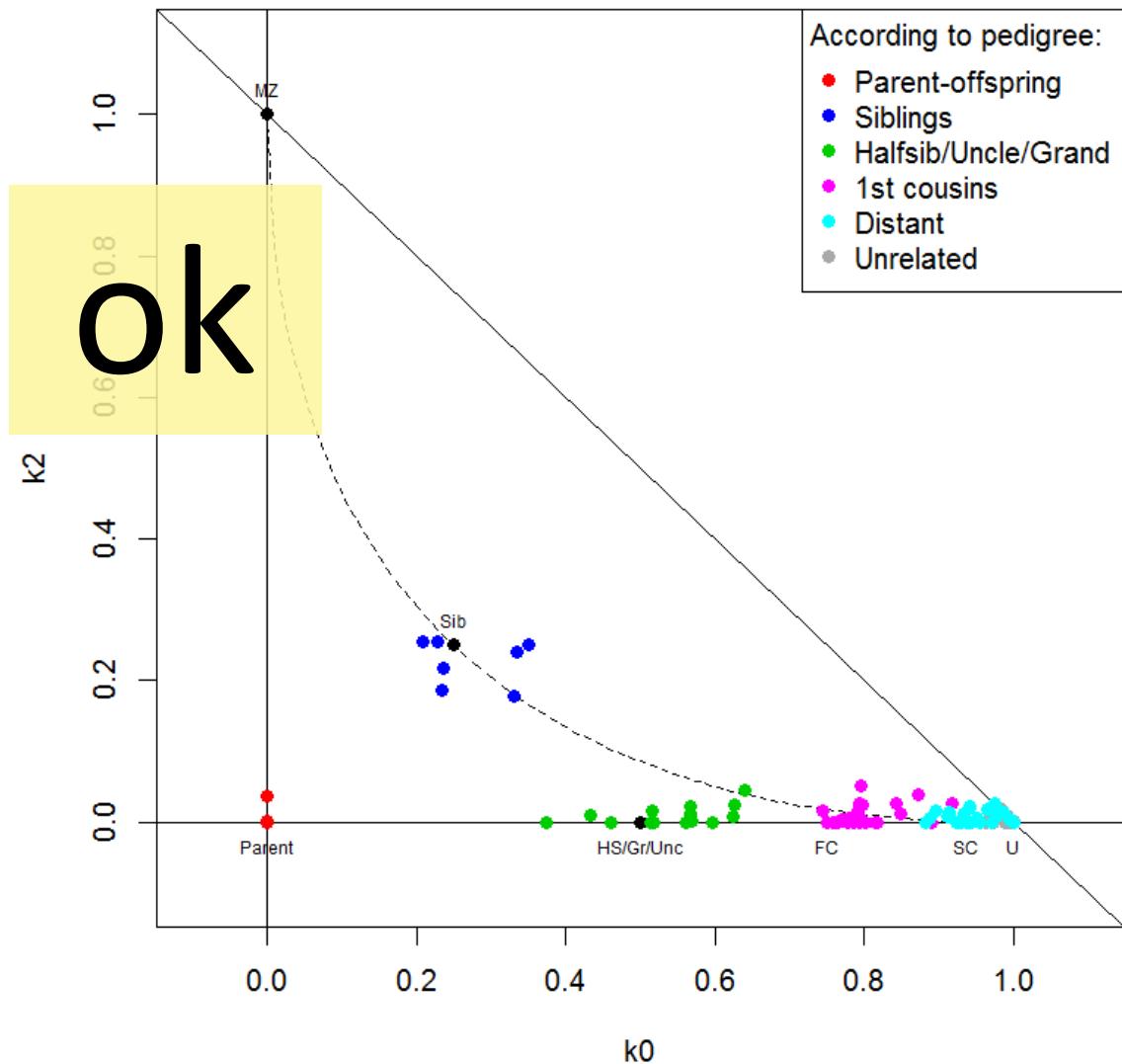
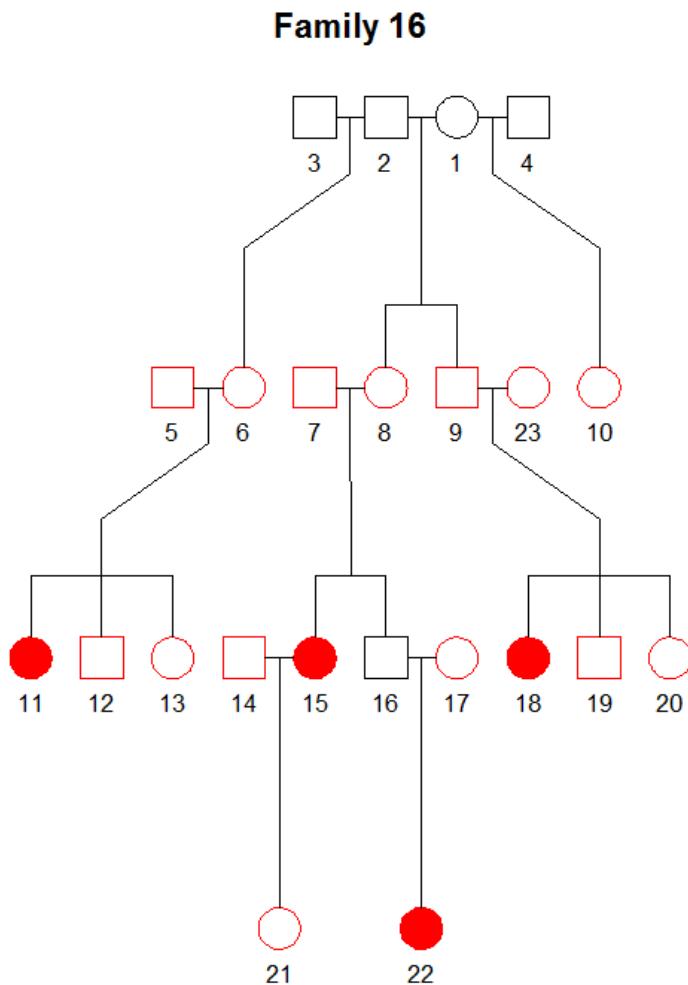
# checkPairwise(): Example 1



# checkPairwise(): Example 2



# checkPairwise(): Example 2 - corrected



# Relatedness inference vs. allele frequencies

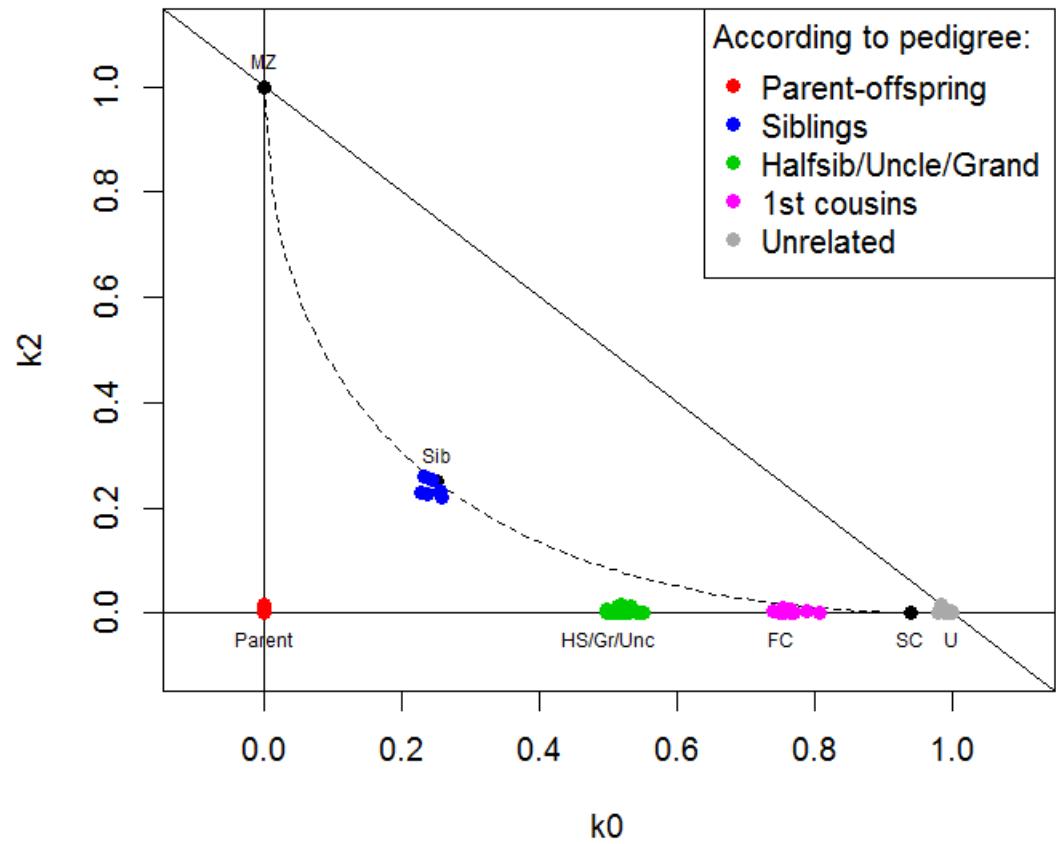
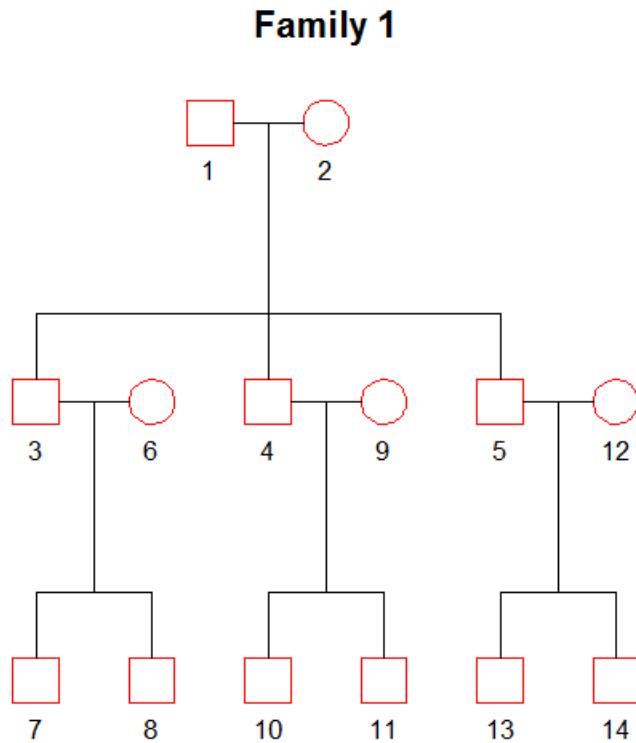
- A little simulation experiment!

# Simulation example

SNPs: 10 000

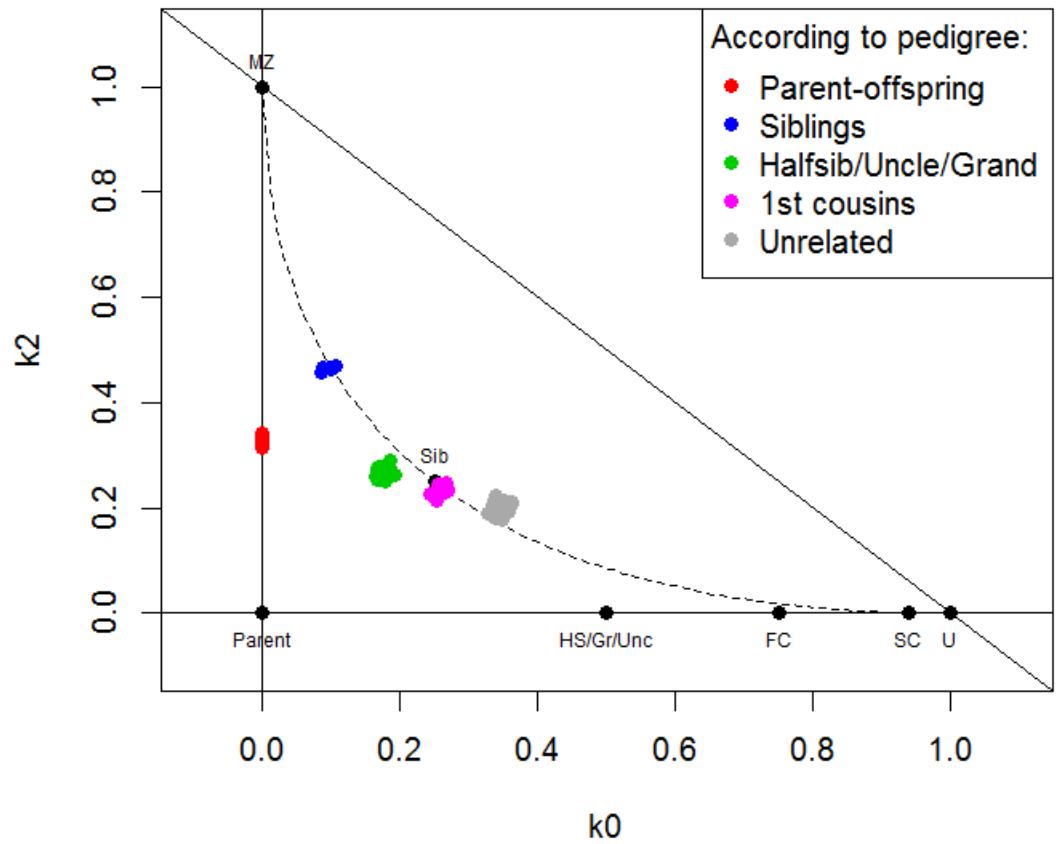
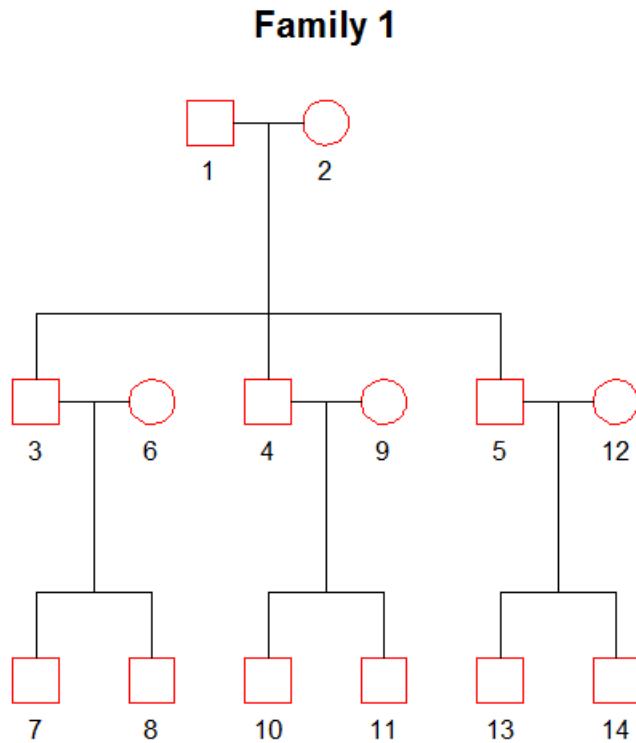
True frequency distr: Unif(0,1)

Frequencies used: Correct



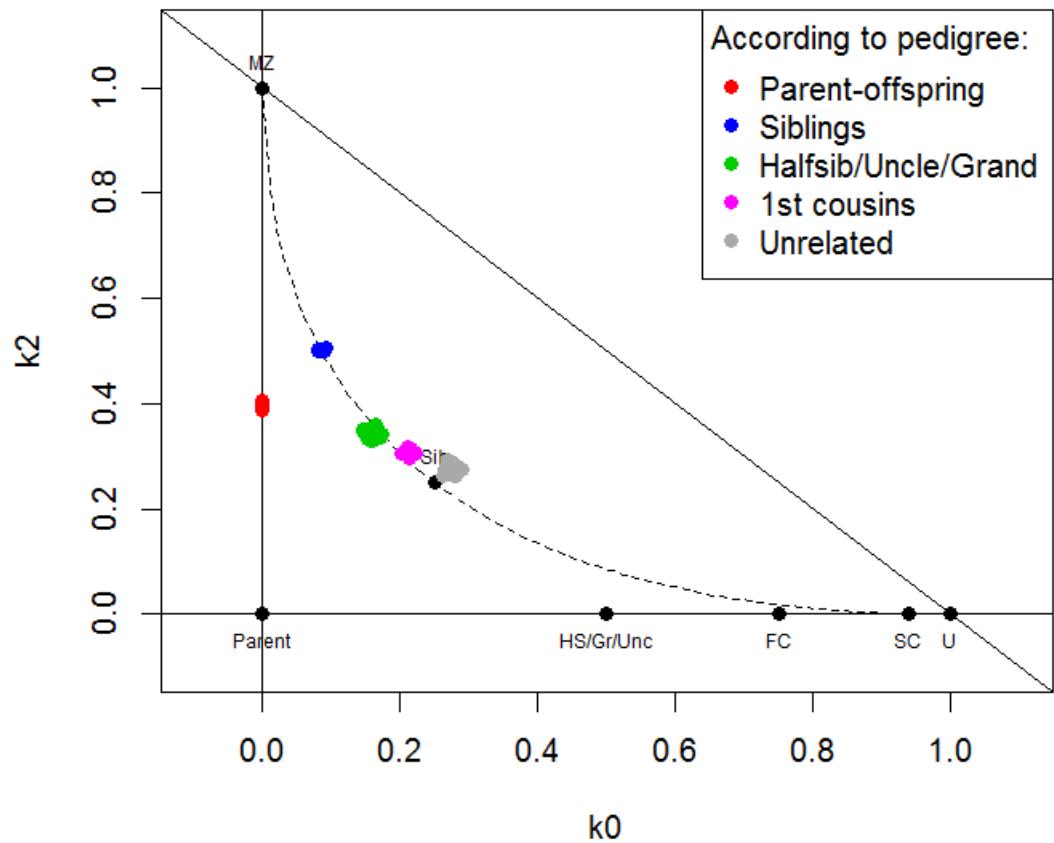
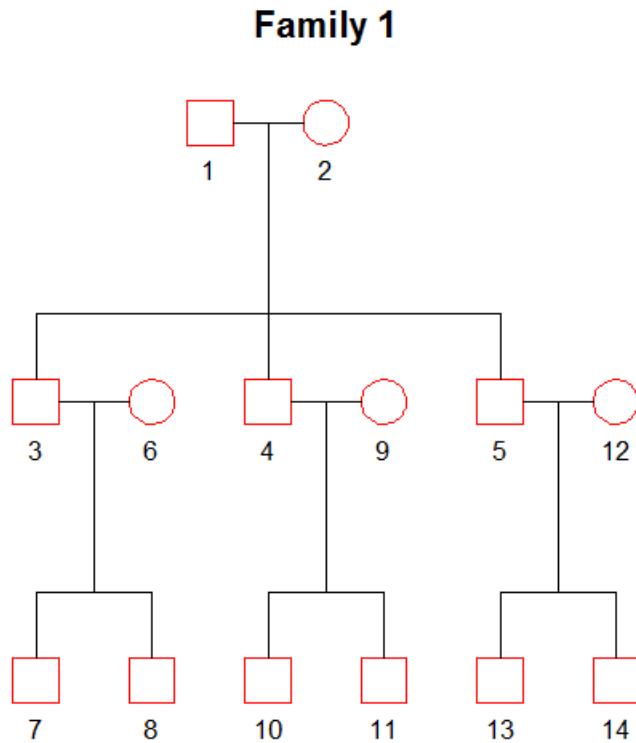
# Simulation example

SNPs: 10 000  
True frequency distr: Unif(0,1)  
Frequencies used: All = 0.5



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SNPs: 10 000  
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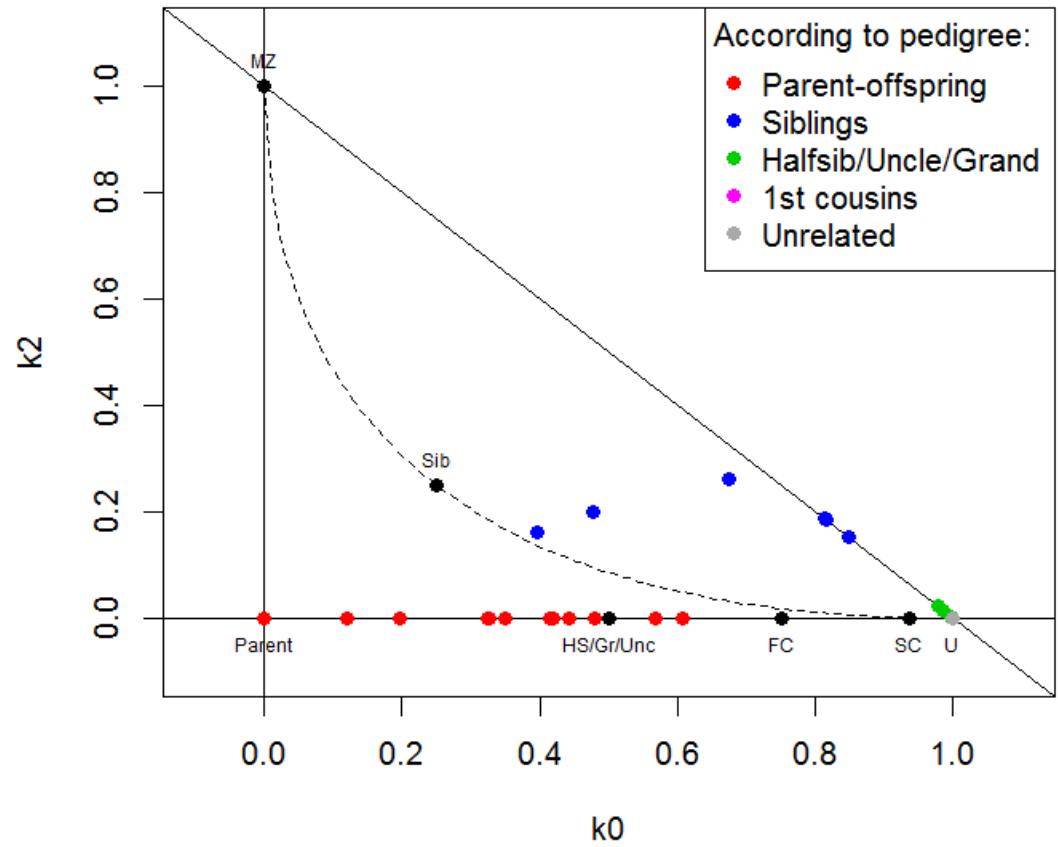
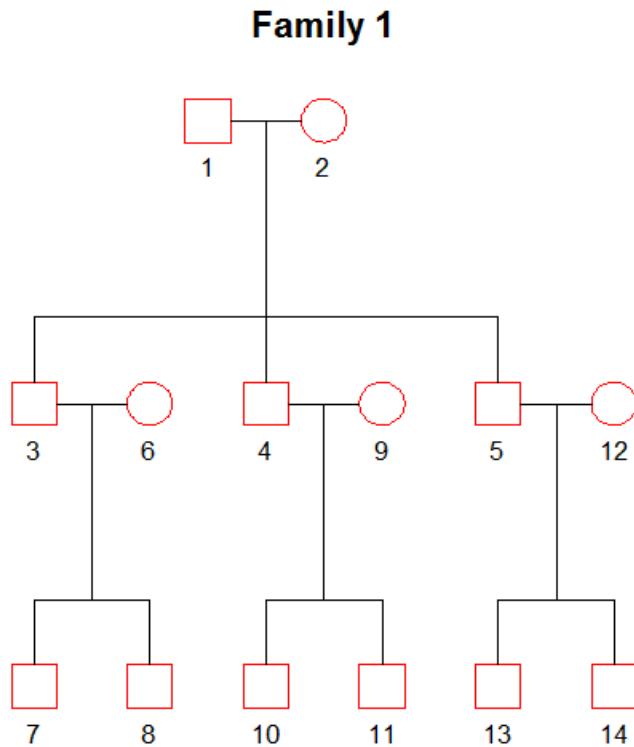


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SNPs: 10 000

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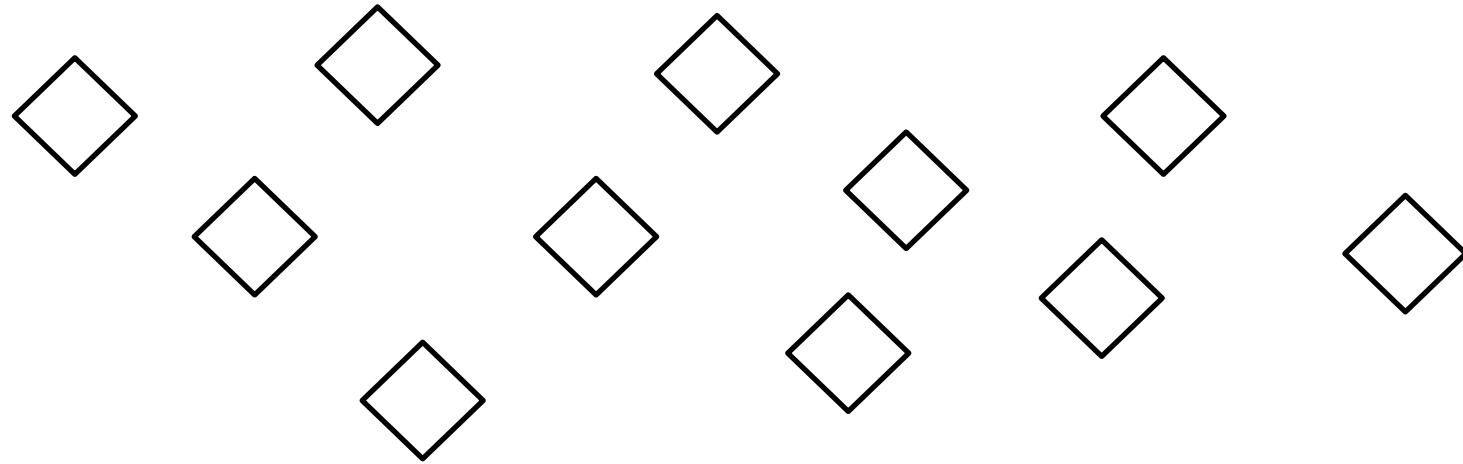
Frequencies used: Family estimate



- Conclusion: Pairwise inference is quite sensitive to wrong allele frequencies

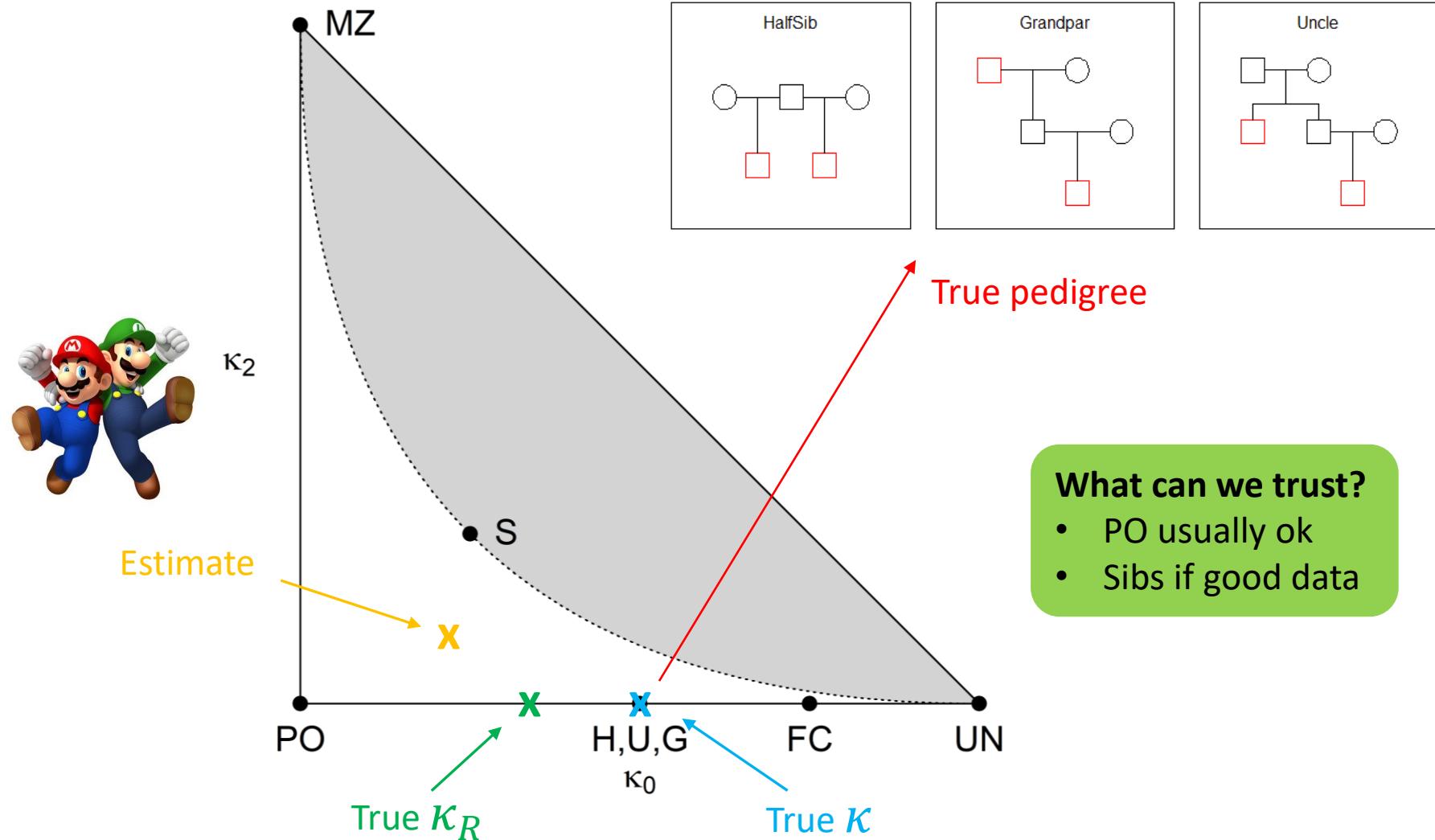
## Part II: Pedigree reconstruction

# Pedigree reconstruction

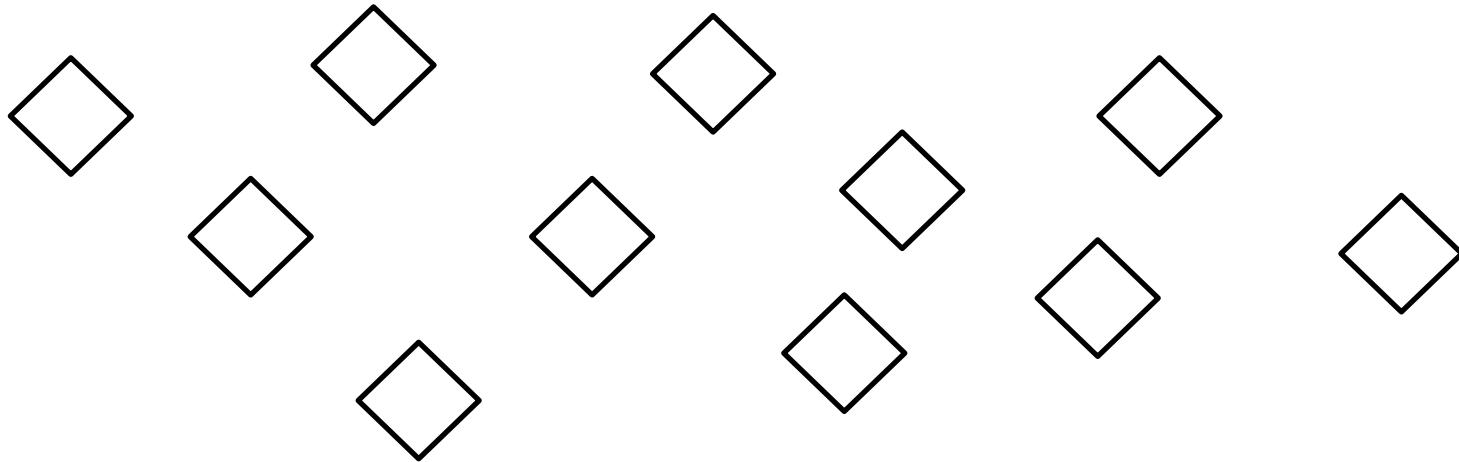


Goal: Reconstruct the complete pedigree from genotype data

# Impossible - even in theory!



# Pedigree reconstruction



## Naive approach

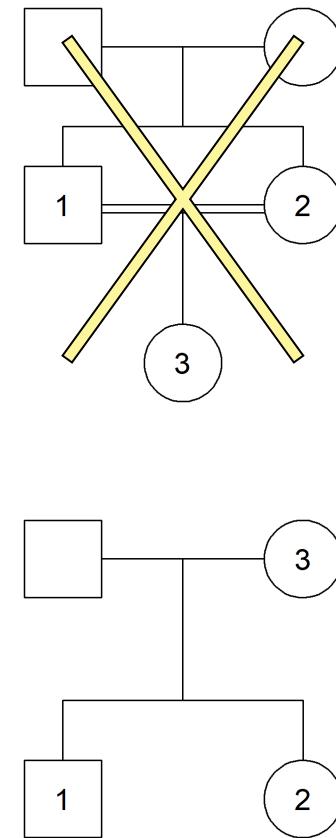
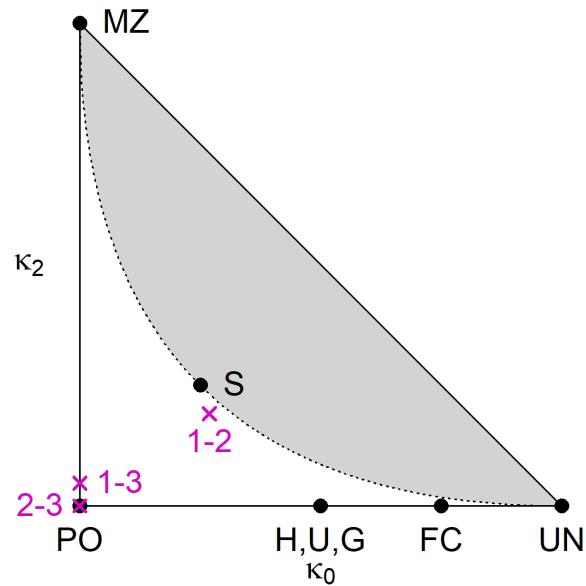
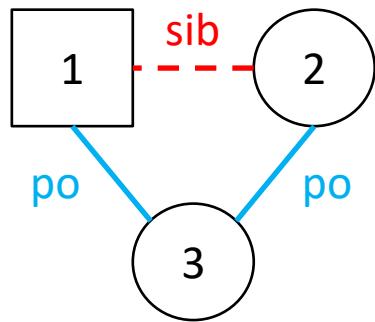
Step 1: Genders

Step 2: Estimate pairwise relationships

- Connect parent-child
- Exploit siblings

Step 3: Solve the puzzle!

# Example



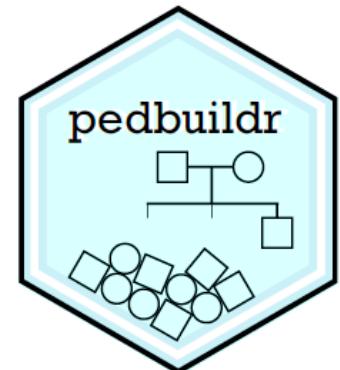
# Better approach: Maximum likelihood

Idea:

- Generate a list of "all possible" pedigrees connecting the individuals
- Compute the likelihood of each pedigree
- Sort and output the best pedigrees

Key functions:

```
> buildPeds()      # generate pedigrees  
> reconstruct()   # main function!  
> plot()          # plot top hits
```



# pedbuildr: Example

Same dataset as before:

Simulate 100 SNPs for a pair of siblings

```
> library(pedsuite)

> ids = c("Al", "Bob")

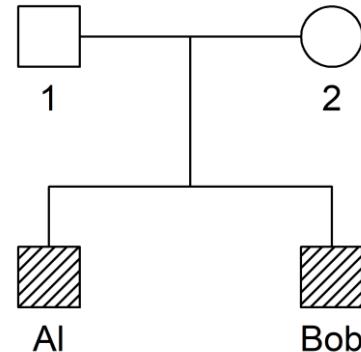
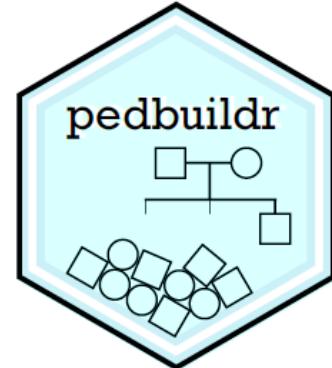
> x = nuclearPed(children = ids)

> x = markerSim(x, N = 100, ids = ids,
+                 alleles = 1:2, seed = 1234)
> x

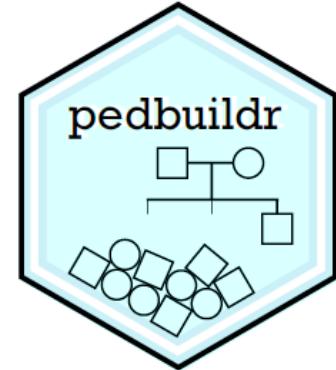
  id fid mid sex <1> <2> <3> <4> <5>
  1   *   *    1  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-
  2   *   *    2  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-  -/-
  Al   1   2    1  1/1  1/2  1/1  1/2  2/2
  Bob  1   2    1  1/1  1/2  1/1  1/2  2/2

Only 5 (out of 100) markers are shown.

> dat = list(subset(x, "Al"),
+             subset(x, "Bob"))
```



# pedbuildr: Example



Reconstruct the most likely

```
> library(pedbuildr)

> r = reconstruct(dat)
```

Pedigree parameters:

ID labels: Al, Bob

Sex: 1, 1

Extra: parents

Age info: -

Known PO: -

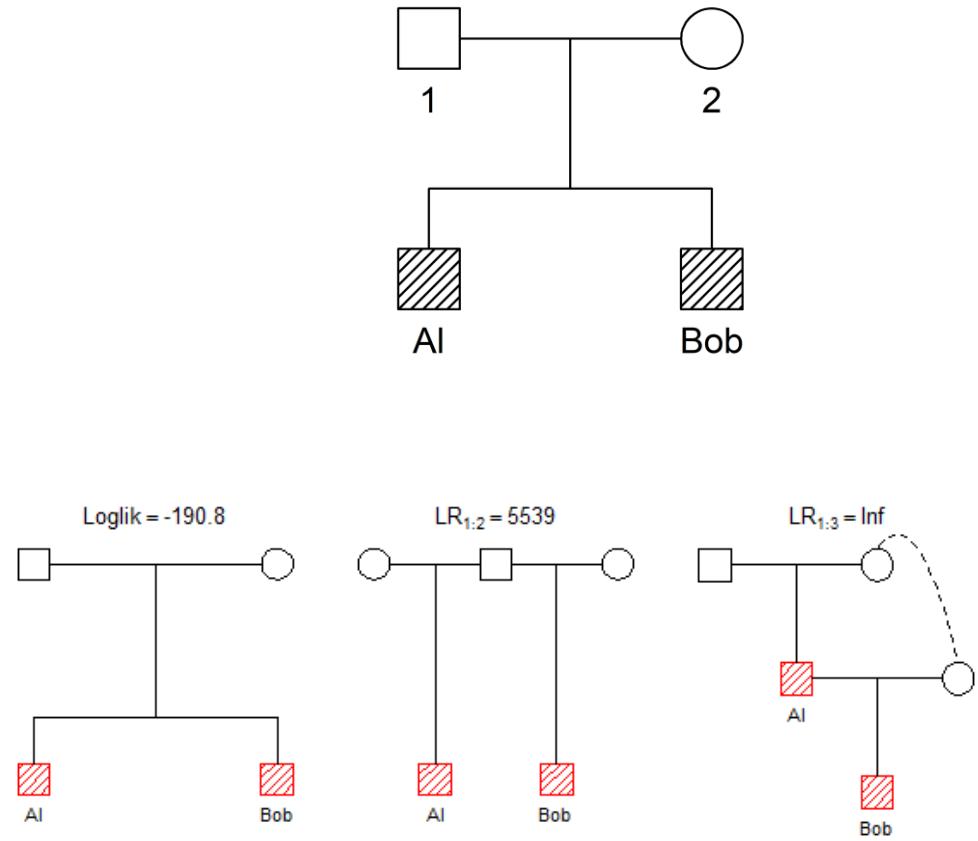
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Building pedigree list:

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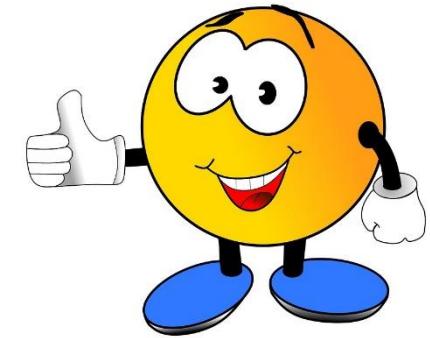
Computing the likelihood of 6 pedigrees.

```
> plot(r, top = 3)
```

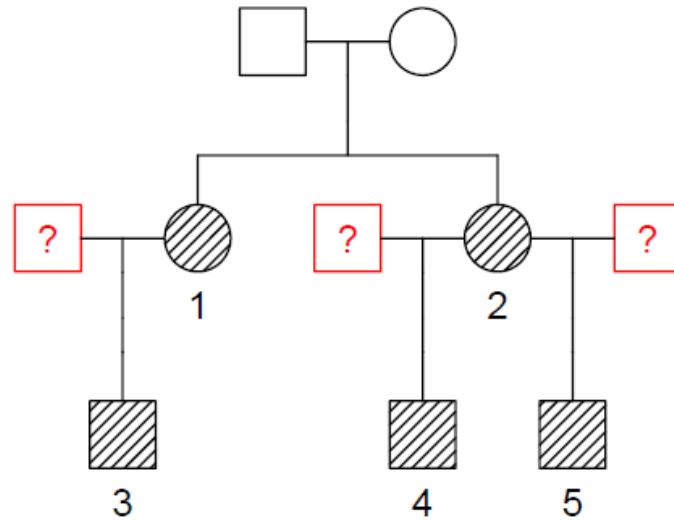


# Optional parameters for restricting the search space

- **extra**: The max number of connecting individuals
  - default: **extra** = "parents" (suitable for small datasets)
- **maxInbreeding**: Default: 1/16 (e.g., first cousins)
- **age**: A vector of (relative) ages OR age inequalities, e.g. "Al > Bob"
- **inferPO**: If TRUE, an initial stage of pairwise IBD estimation is done
- **knownPO**: Known parent–offspring pairs
- **allKnown**: Is **knownPO** the *complete* list of POs?
- **notPO**: Pairs known not to be parent–offspring
- **noChildren**: Individuals known to have no children
- **linearInb**: Max incestuous generation gap (default: 0)
- **connected**: Set to FALSE to allow disconnected pedigrees
- **sexSymmetry**: Remove 'symmetric' versions. Default: TRUE



## Your turn: Exercises!



Q: Do any of the children have the same father?