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# Covariance between relatives

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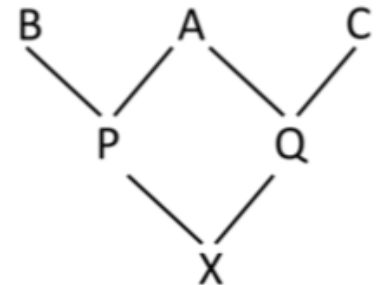
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# Definitions

- **Coefficient of kinship (f)**
  - Probability that two gametes taken at random from two individuals are identical by descent (IBD,  $\equiv$ )
  - Expresses the degree of relatedness between individuals - **coefficient of parentage**
- **Coefficient of relationship (r)**
  - It is the additive genetic relationship between individuals
  - This is the twice the coefficient of kinship
  - $r = 2f$
  - It is also equal the inbreeding coefficient of their progeny
- **Additive covariance between relatives**
  - The covariance between the breeding values
  - $\text{COV}_{a(x,y)} = r_{xy} V_a$
  - It can actually be due to additive genetic effects, as well as dominance and epistatic effects
  - In general the contribution of dominance and epistatic effects to the genetic covariance is low

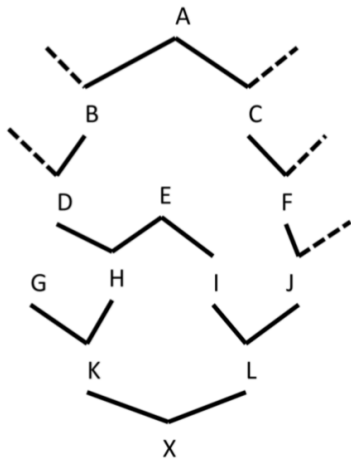
# Calculating the inbreeding coefficient of X

- Let's consider one bi-allelic locus with two alleles  $A_1$  and  $A_2$
- We assume that A, the common ancestor of P and Q, is not inbred, thus its genotype is  $A_1A_2$
- The probability that X receives  $A_1$  from A via P, is the probability that A passes  $A_1$  to P multiplied by the probability that P passes  $A_1$  to X
- This probability is  $1/2 \cdot 1/2 = 1/4$
- Now we need to know the probability that X receives  $A_1$  from both P and Q
- $1/4 \cdot 1/4 = 1/16$
- **We now know the probability that  $A_1$  is IBD in X**
- X could also be IBD by receiving two copies of  $A_2$
- Probability IBD in X via either  $A_1$  or  $A_2$  is  $1/16 + 1/16 = 2/16 = 1/8$
- $P(\text{IBD}) = 1/2^3 = 1/2^n$ , where n is the number of common ancestral individuals
- **However, if the parent A is inbred, the IBD increases and should be considered**
- $(1/2)^n F_A$ , where  $F_A$  is the inbreeding coefficient of the common ancestor
- **Thus, IBD is the sum the two probabilities:**
- $F_X = (1/2)^n + (1/2)^n F_A$
- $F_X = (1/2)^n (1 + F_A)$



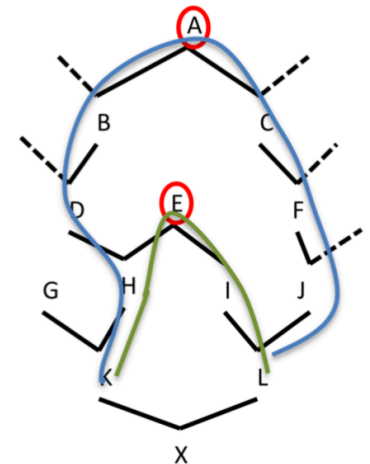
# Calculating the inbreeding coefficient of X

- In more complex pedigrees, parents may be related to each other through more than one common ancestor, or from the same common ancestor, but through different paths
- The general formula is
- $F_X = (1/2)^n (1 + F_A)$
- where  $n$  is the number of individuals in any path of relationship counting the parents of  $X$  and all individuals in the path which connects the parents to the common ancestor
- The summation is over all paths



There are 2 common ancestors, A and E  
There are 2 possible paths

Paths	$n$	F of common ancestor	Contribution of $F_X$
KHDBACFJL	9	0	$(1/2)^9 = 0.002$
KHEIL	5	0	$(1/2)^5 = 0.031$
			Total= 0.033

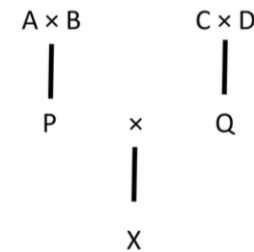


# The coefficient of kinship

- Probability that two gametes taken at random (one from each individual carry alleles that are IBD
- The kinship ( $f$ ) between two individuals is equal to the inbreeding coefficient of their progeny
- $F_X = f_{p_1 p_2}$
- where X is the progeny and  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are the parents

- **Basic rules to estimate  $f$**
- First: the  $f$  between P and Q is the mean of the four co-ancestries

$$f_{PQ} = \frac{1}{4}f_{AC} + \frac{1}{4}f_{AD} + \frac{1}{4}f_{BC} + \frac{1}{4}f_{BD}$$



- Second: the coefficient of kinship of an individual with itself  $f_{AA}$  is the inbreeding coefficient of progeny that would be produced by self-mating
- $f_{AA} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + F_A)$
- Third: the coefficient of kinship between parent and offspring  $f_{PA}$  is the mean coefficient of kinship between A and both the parents of P, (A and B)
- $f_{PO} = \frac{1}{2}(f_{AO} + f_{BO})$

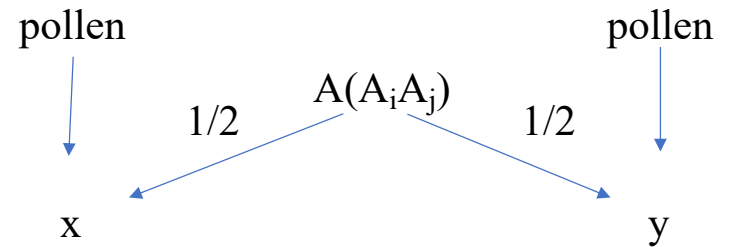
# Covariance between relatives

- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [P(x_i \equiv y_i) + P(x_j \equiv y_j) + P(x_i \equiv y_j) + P(x_j \equiv y_i)]$
- $u_{xy} = [P(x_i \equiv y_i; x_j \equiv y_j) + P(x_i \equiv y_j; x_j \equiv y_i)] - \text{simultaneous events (the same genotype - dominance)}$

- **NON-INBRED RELATIVES**

- **Half-sibs**

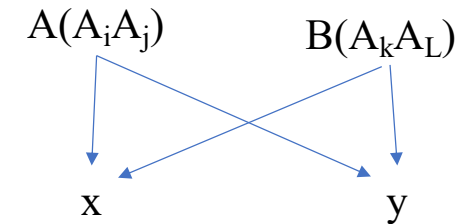
- $F = 0$ , thus,  $F_A = 0$
- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv A_i \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv A_i \equiv y \equiv A_i)]$
- If x and y are non-inbred, thus the last two parts are zero, because their parents are not inbred either
- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [1/4 + 1/4 + 0 + 0]$
- $f_{xy} = 1/8$
- Since  $r = 2f$
- $r = 1/4$



- $u_{xy} = 0$
- Probability of transmit the genotype – **dominance effect**

# Covariance between relatives

- **Full-sibs**
- $F = 0$ , thus,  $F_A = F_B = 0$
- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_L) +$
- $P(x \equiv A_i \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv A_j \equiv y \equiv A_i) + P(x \equiv A_k \equiv y \equiv A_L) + P(x \equiv A_L \equiv y \equiv A_k)]$
- Since A and B are non-inbred,  $P(A_i \equiv A_j) = 0$
- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [1/4 + 1/4 + 1/4 + 1/4 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0]$
- $f_{xy} = 1/4$
- Since  $r = 2f$
- $r = 1/2$
- $(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}) \cdot (\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2})$
- $u_{xy} = [P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i; x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i; x \equiv y \equiv A_L) +$
- $P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j; x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j; x \equiv y \equiv A_L)]$
- $u_{xy} = [(0.25 \times 0.25) + (0.25 \times 0.25) + (0.25 \times 0.25) + (0.25 \times 0.25)]$
- $u_{xy} = 1/16 + 1/16 + 1/16 + 1/16$
- $u_{xy} = 1/4$



# Covariance between relatives

- **INBRED RELATIVES**

- **Half-sibs**

- $F_p \neq 0; P(A_i \equiv A_j) = P(A_k \equiv A_L) \neq 0$

- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv A_i \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv A_j \equiv y \equiv A_i)]$

- these cases can be  $A_i \equiv A_j$

- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [1/4 + 1/4 + F(1/4) + F(1/4)]$

- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [1/2 + F(1/2)]$

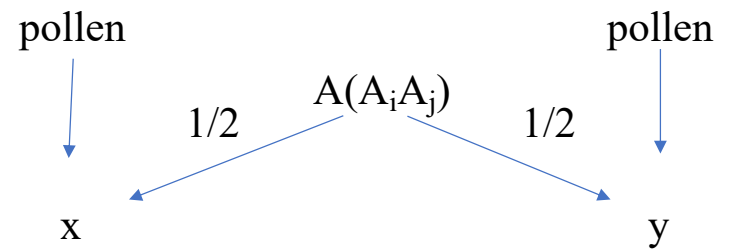
- $f_{xy} = 1/8[1 + F]$

- Since  $r = 2f$

- $r = \frac{1}{4}[1 + F]$

- $u_{xy} = 0$

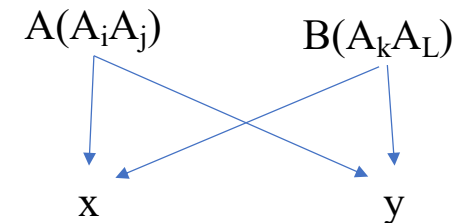
- Probability of transmit the genotype – **dominance effect**





# Covariance between relatives

- **Full-sibs**
- $F \neq 0$ , thus,  $F_A = F_B = 0$
- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_L) +$
- $P(x \equiv A_i \equiv y \equiv A_j) + P(x \equiv A_j \equiv y \equiv A_i) + P(x \equiv A_k \equiv y \equiv A_L) + P(x \equiv A_L \equiv y \equiv A_k)]$
- Since A and B are non-inbred,  $P(A_i \equiv A_j) = 0$
- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4} [1/4 + 1/4 + 1/4 + 1/4 + F(1/4) + F(1/4) + F(1/4) + F(1/4)]$
- $f_{xy} = \frac{1}{4}[1 + F]$
- Since  $r = 2f$
- $r = \frac{1}{2}[1 + F]$



- $(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}) + (\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2})F$
- $u_{xy} = [P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i; x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i; x \equiv y \equiv A_L) +$
- $P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j; x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv y \equiv A_j; x \equiv y \equiv A_L)]$
- $u_{xy} = [(0.25 \times 0.25) + (0.25 \times 0.25) + (0.25 \times 0.25) + (0.25 \times 0.25)]$
- $u_{xy} = \frac{1}{16} (1+F)^2 + \frac{1}{16}(1+F)^2 + \frac{1}{16}(1+F)^2 + \frac{1}{16}(1+F)^2$
- $u_{xy} = \frac{1}{4}(1+F)^2$

## Covariance between relatives

- $P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i) = P(x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv A_i \equiv y \equiv A_j)$
- $= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + F(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2})$
- $= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}F$
- $= \frac{1}{4}(1 + F)$
  
- $P(x \equiv y \equiv A_k) = P(x \equiv y \equiv A_k) + P(x \equiv A_k \equiv y \equiv A_L)$
- $= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + F(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2})$
- $= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}F$
- $= \frac{1}{4}(1 + F)$
  
- $P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i; x \equiv y \equiv A_k) = P(x \equiv y \equiv A_i) \cdot P(x \equiv y \equiv A_k)$
- $= \frac{1}{4}(1+F) \cdot \frac{1}{4}(1+F)$
- $= \frac{1}{16}(1+F)^2$

## Why $r = 2f$ ?

- $x_{ij} = u + \alpha_{ix} + \alpha_{jx} + \mathcal{S}_{ijx}$
- $y_{ij} = u + \alpha_{iy} + \alpha_{jy} + \mathcal{S}_{ijy}$
- $E(x_{ij}) = E(y_{ij}) = u$
- $E(\alpha_i) = \sum_i p_i \alpha_i = 0$
- $E(\alpha_j) = \sum_j p_j \alpha_j = 0$
- $E(\mathcal{S}_{ij}) = \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \mathcal{S}_{ij} = 0$
- $E(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = E(\alpha_i) E(\alpha_j) = 0$
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- $E(\alpha_j, \mathcal{S}_{ij}) = E(\alpha_j) E(\mathcal{S}_{ij}) = 0$
- $\text{COV}(x_{ij}, y_{ij}) = E[x_{ij} - E(x_{ij})] \cdot E[y_{ij} - E(y_{ij})]$
- $= [u + \alpha_{ix} + \alpha_{jx} + \mathcal{S}_{ijx} - u] \cdot [u + \alpha_{iy} + \alpha_{jy} + \mathcal{S}_{ijy} - u]$
- $= E(\alpha_{ix}, \alpha_{iy}) + E(\alpha_{ix}, \alpha_{jy}) + E(\alpha_{ix}, \mathcal{S}_{ijy}) + E(\alpha_{jx}, \alpha_{iy}) + E(\alpha_{jx}, \alpha_{jy}) + \dots + E(\mathcal{S}_{ijx}, \mathcal{S}_{ijy})$
- $E(\alpha_{ix}, \mathcal{S}_{ijy}) = 0$
- Covariance between allele effect and genotype (all cases)

## Why $r = 2f$ ?

- $E(\alpha_{ix}, \alpha_{iy}) = \sum_i p_i \alpha_i P(x_i \equiv y_i) \alpha_i = \sum_i p_i \alpha_i^2 P(x_i \equiv y_i) = 1/2 Va. P(x_i \equiv y_i)$
- $E(\alpha_{ix}, \alpha_{jy}) = \sum_i p_i \alpha_i P(x_i \equiv y_j) \alpha_i = \sum_i p_i \alpha_i^2 P(x_i \equiv y_j) = 1/2 Va. P(x_i \equiv y_j)$
- $E(\alpha_{jx}, \alpha_{iy}) = \sum_j p_j \alpha_j P(x_j \equiv y_i) \alpha_j = \sum_j p_j \alpha_j^2 P(x_j \equiv y_i) = 1/2 Va. P(x_j \equiv y_i)$
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- $E(\mathcal{S}_{ijx}, \mathcal{S}_{ijy}) = \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \mathcal{S}_{ij} [P(x_j \equiv y_i, x_j \equiv y_j) + [P(x_i \equiv y_j, x_j \equiv y_i)] \mathcal{S}_{ij}$
- $\quad = \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \mathcal{S}_{ij}^2 [P(x_j \equiv y_i, x_j \equiv y_j) + [P(x_i \equiv y_j, x_j \equiv y_i)]$
- $\quad = Vd. [P(x_j \equiv y_i, x_j \equiv y_j) + [P(x_i \equiv y_j, x_j \equiv y_i)]$
- $COV(x_{ij}, y_{ij}) = E[x_{ij} - E(x_{ij})] \cdot E[y_{ij} - E(y_{ij})]$
- $= [u + \alpha_{ix} + \alpha_{jx} + \mathcal{S}_{ijx} - u] \cdot [u + \alpha_{iy} + \alpha_{jy} + \mathcal{S}_{ijy} - u]$
- $= E(\alpha_{ix}, \alpha_{iy}) + E(\alpha_{ix}, \alpha_{jy}) + E(\alpha_{ix}, \mathcal{S}_{ijy}) + E(\alpha_{jx}, \alpha_{iy}) + E(\alpha_{jx}, \alpha_{jy}) + \dots + E(\mathcal{S}_{ijx}, \mathcal{S}_{ijy})$
- $COV_a(x_{ij}, y_{ij}) = 1/2 Va [P(x_j \equiv y_i) + P(x_j \equiv y_j) + P(x_i \equiv y_j) + P(x_i \equiv y_i)] = 1/2 Va [4f_{xy}] = 2fVa$
- $COV_d(x_{ij}, y_{ij}) = 1/2 Vd. [P(x_j \equiv y_i, x_j \equiv y_j) + [P(x_i \equiv y_j, x_j \equiv y_i)] = Vd[u_{xy}] = u_{xy} Vd$
- $COV_g(x_{ij}, y_{ij}) = 2.f_{xy}.Va + u_{xy} Vd$