



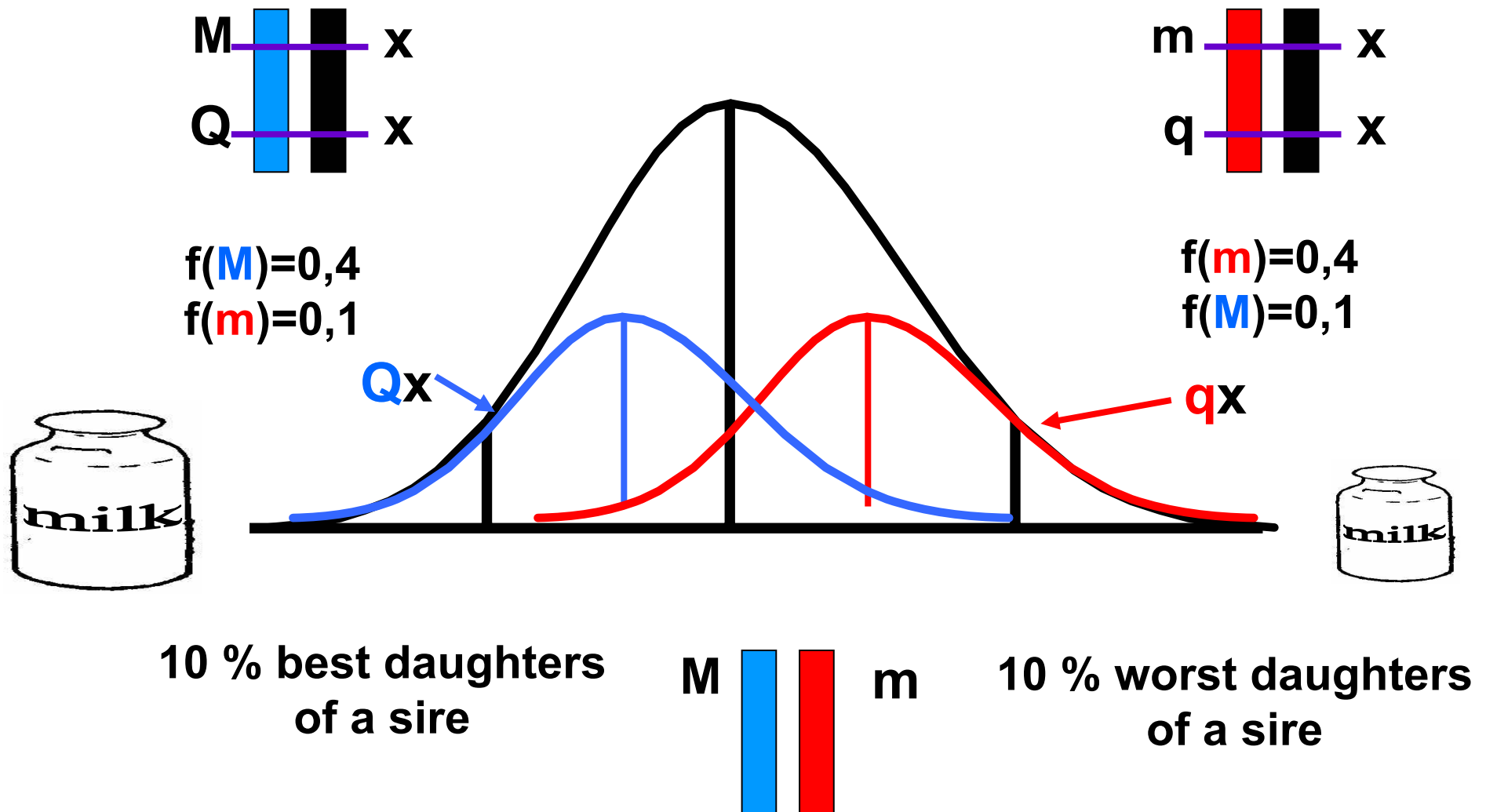
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approximate interval mapping for selective DNA pooling

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selective DNA pooling



single marker - single sire test



- significance of marker m_i within family
 - for sires heterozygous at m_i

$$Z_{D_i} = \frac{D_i}{SE(D_i)}$$

D_i sire marker allele frequency difference between high and low pool

single marker – across sires



- **significance of marker m_i over n heterozygous sires**

$$TS = \sum_{j=1}^n Z_{ij}^2 \sim \chi^2 (n)$$

**nnumber of sires
heterozygous at m_i**

single marker – across sires

- **for each marker another number of sires is heterozygous**

thus

- **TS more or less strongly affected by the number and QTL status of the specific sires that are heterozygous.**

approximate interval mapping



- an approximate multiple marker method
- **predict test statistics (T_i)**
- from **observed test statistics (T_i)**
- simple selection index analogy
 - relationship T_i and T_i
 - function of genetic distance
recombination rate between these 2 points

approximate interval mapping



$$T_i = Z_{Di}^2$$

- **observed teststatistic T_i at position i**
- **prediction of teststatistic T_i at position i**
$$E(T_i) \sim (1-2r)^2 T_i$$
- **under H_0 variance of T_i**
$$\text{var}(T_i) \sim \chi^2_{(1)} = 2$$

approximate interval mapping



- covariance between **predicted T_i** and **observed teststatistic T_i**

$$\text{cov}(T_i, T_i) \approx (1-2r)^2 \text{var}(T_i) = 2(1-2r)^2$$

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- combination of above equations allows multipoint prediction for each position on the chromosome

$$E(T_i) = b't$$

approximate interval mapping



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- **t**vector of all observed T_i
- **b**solution to $V^{-1}c$
- **V** = var(t)..... variance-covariance-Matrix of T_i
 - 2 on diagonal
 - $(1-2r_{ij})^2$ offdiagonal elements
- **c**vector of covariances between predicted T_i and observed T_i

simulation

M1	M2	M3	QTL	M4	M5	M6
0	20	40	50/55	60	80	100

- 10 half sib families - 2000 progeny
- 6 evenly spaced markers on a 100 cM chromosome
- sire markers $\neq$ markers of dams
- crossovers - Haldane mapping function
- a single biallelic QTL with population frequency 0.5 at
 - 50 or 55 cM
 - allele substitution effect of $0.25 \sigma_p$
- overall heritability of the trait 0.25

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$$y_{ij} = \mu$$

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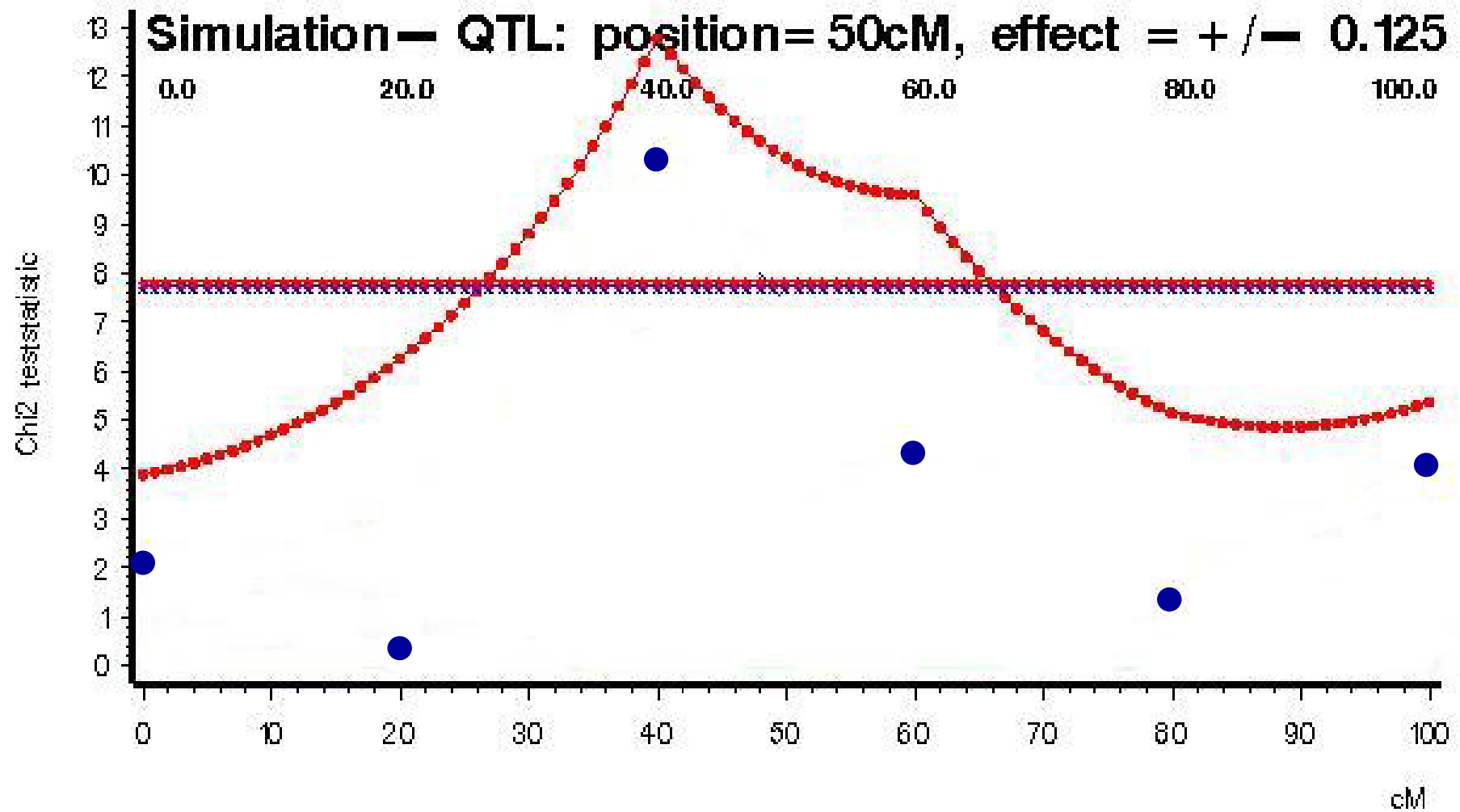
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- **sDNAp with 10% best + worst offspring**
 $V_T=0.0014$
- **significance thresholds based on 10.000 runs under H_0**
- **3000 runs for each setting**
- **marker informativity:**
 - **all 6 markers fully informative**
 - **on average 50% informative markers**
 - **on average 30% informative markers**

results

- **comparing AIM to single marker across sire analysis for sDNAp**
- **power**
 - **QTL detected**
 - either marker on the left or marker to the right significant
 - **Interval containing the QTL correctly identified**
 - both flanking markers significant
- **bias of QTL location estimate**



power

marker informativity of sire	Interval identified SMM	Interval identified AIM	QTL identified SMM	QTL identified AIM
100%	94.0%	99.7%	99.7%	100.0%
50%				
30%				

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bias of QTL locus estimate

	σ	μ	σ	μ
	SMM		AIM	
100%	0.0	5.0	0.0	5.0
50%	5.0	8.6	4.4	7.5
30%	6.6	9.8	6.4	9.3

conclusions



- **Power of AIM is higher.**
- **Advantage of AIM increases with decreasing marker informativity of the sire.**
- **Bias smaller with AIM.**
- **Validity of AIM is constrained to 1 QTL models.**
- **In practice $(1-2r)^2$ drops off very rapidly with distance.**
- **Thus 2 QTL, well separated on the same chromosome will exert little confounding effect on their respective observed or predicted test statistics.**

outlook



- **different parameter settings to be tested by simulation**
 - **multi QTL models**
 - **QTL not centered in middle of chromosome**
 - **smaller family size**
 - **different QTL sizes**

thank you for your attention

