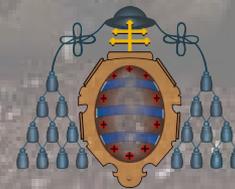


# **Logistic Regression and ROC-surfaces on a Lidia Bovine Breed Allocation Problem**

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# Intro

## The lidia or fighting bull breed

- a rare case of selection for bovine behaviour
- selection records kept for >500 yrs
- fragmented into lines called *encastes*
- different levels of gene flow among them







# Objectives

markers for individual identity & breed assignment

- binomial logistic regression applied on each line
- capability to separate: Area Under ROC Curve  $AUC$
- identify microsatellite loci related with each line
- competitive for animal allocation

# Material

- blood samples from 1,811 males and females
- same-generation, random individuals from 70 lines
- sample size within line ranged from 7 to 59
- genotyped 24 microsatellite loci, most chromosomes
- alleles per locus ranged from 7 to 22

# Material

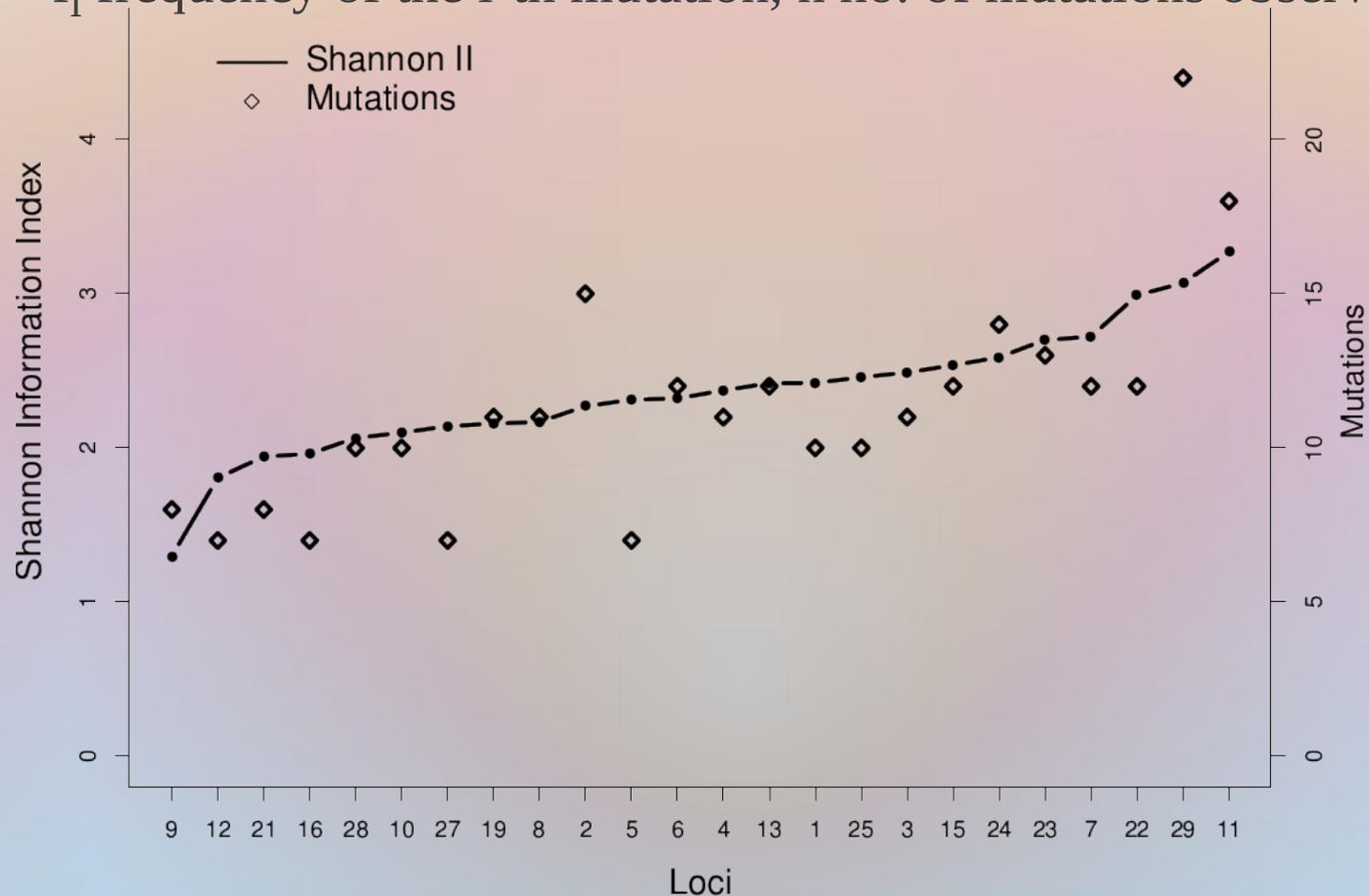
- what we already knew:
  - STRUCTURE: optimum number of clusters (K)  $\sim 60$   
with average FST 0.46, ranging from 0.27 to 0.86
  - FST values per K are drift rates since coalescence,  
given independence and not-admixture

# Material

- other info:

- Shannon information index  $SII = -\sum_{i=1}^n [f_i \log_2(f_i)]$

$f_i$  frequency of the i-th mutation, n no. of mutations observed)



# Problem

- we have  $N$  subjects
  - $n_i$  with the studied characteristic (line/encaste)
  - $N - n_i$  without the characteristic
- we have  $k$  variables
  - genotypes
  - from which to classify the individuals
  - with or without the characteristic

# Methods

logistic regression model for the conditional mean:

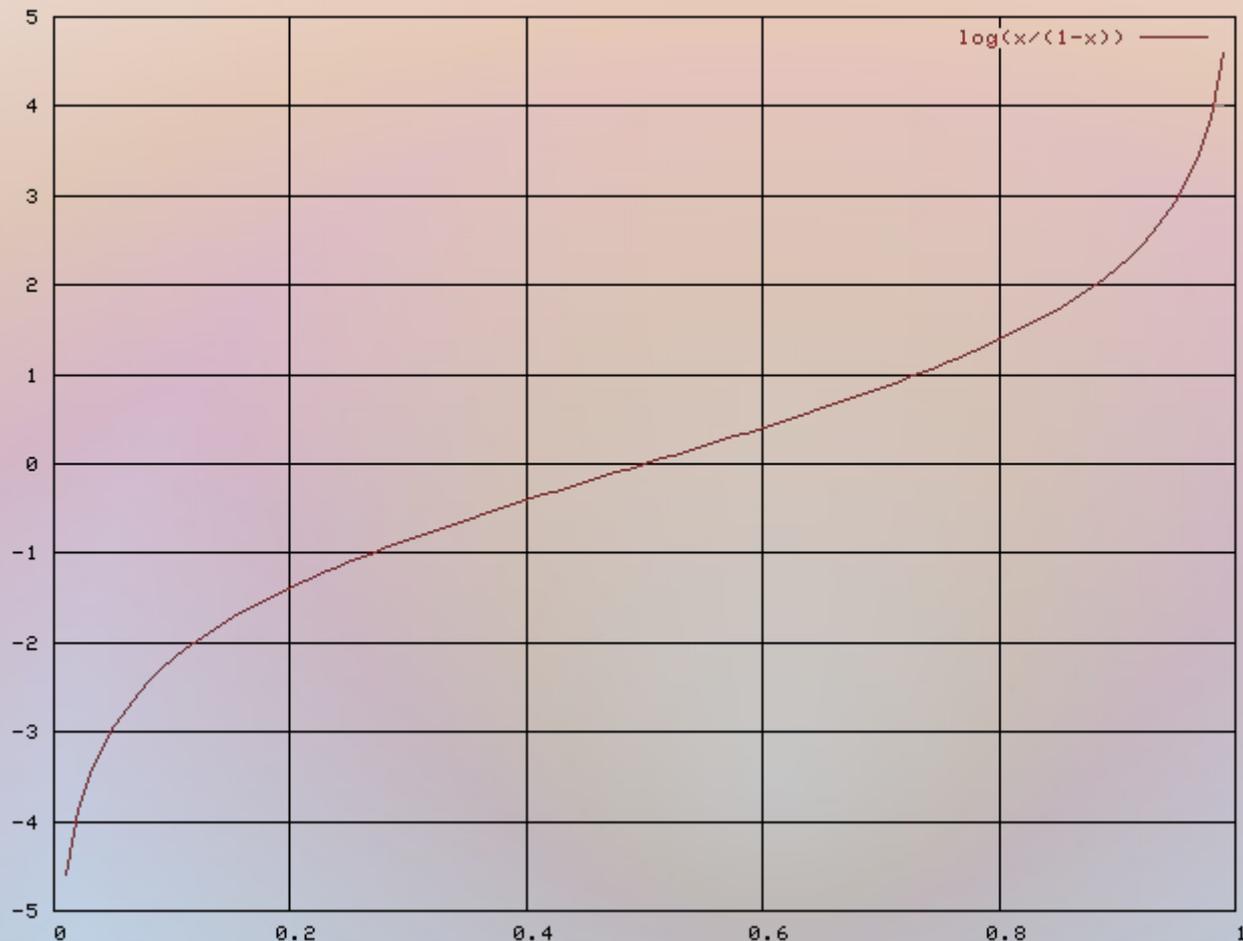
$$\pi(x) = \frac{e^{x\beta^t}}{1 + e^{x\beta^t}}$$

logit-transformed:

$$g(x) = \log\left(\frac{\pi(x)}{1 - \pi(x)}\right) = x\beta'$$

# Logit as link function

the logit of a probability transforms it in odds



# Logistic regression

ML coefficient estimation:

- for each variable in the model,

$e^{\beta_j}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq k$ ) is the associated Odd Ratio

$g(x) = x\beta'$  how likely the individual belongs

- R package

- code:

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LR<- glm(belong ~ genotype[,1],family=binomial(link = "logit"))
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further details: Hosmer & Lemeshow (2000)

# Dichotomous

Genotype coded as 2 dichotomous covariates

for each allele, two different covariates:

- at least one copy?, and
- two copies?

selection of covariates if significant on ROC-surface:

- 40 out of 540 candidate allele covariates
- on least p-value at allele-line independence test

# Model

- line: fit  $k$  (70 lines) logistic regressions
- assign to line with highest score  $g$
- if  $g_l(x_i) = \max \{g_1(x_i), \dots, g_k(x_i)\}$   
classification correct, wrong otherwise

# ROC curves & AUC

ROC plots describe intrinsic accuracy of classification models

- sensitivity  $S_E$   $\Rightarrow$  ability of the model to assign  
vs.
- complement of specificity ( $1 - S_P$ )  $\Rightarrow$  inability to recognize as different

$AUC = \int_0^1 ROC(t) dt$  measures quality of binary classification

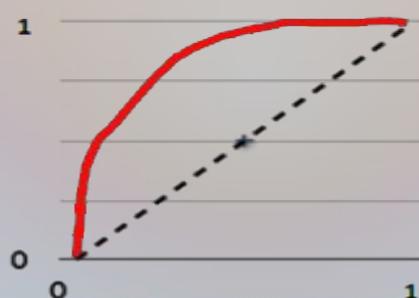
AUC=1

+ valor diagnóstico perfecto



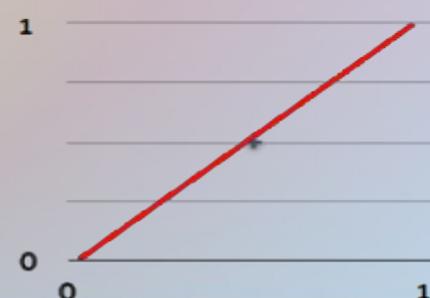
AUC=0,8

+ valor diagnóstico



AUC=0,5

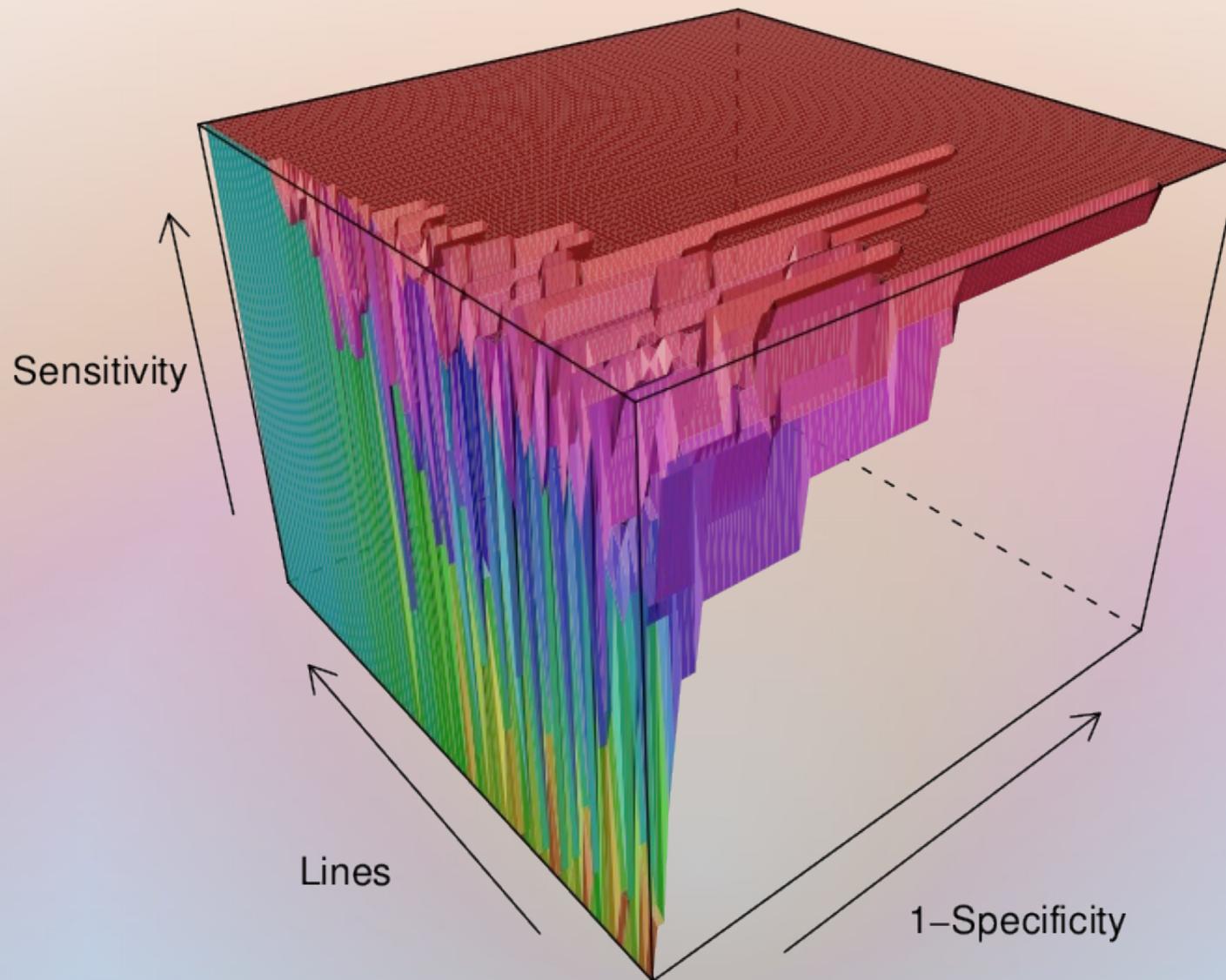
+ sin valor diagnóstico



# Results

- true-classification-rate: 0.879
- worse than maximum-likelihood methods: 0.910
- BUT: better true-classification rates for some lines
- Logistic Regression results similar to Data-mining/Machine Learning (Guinand et al., 2002)

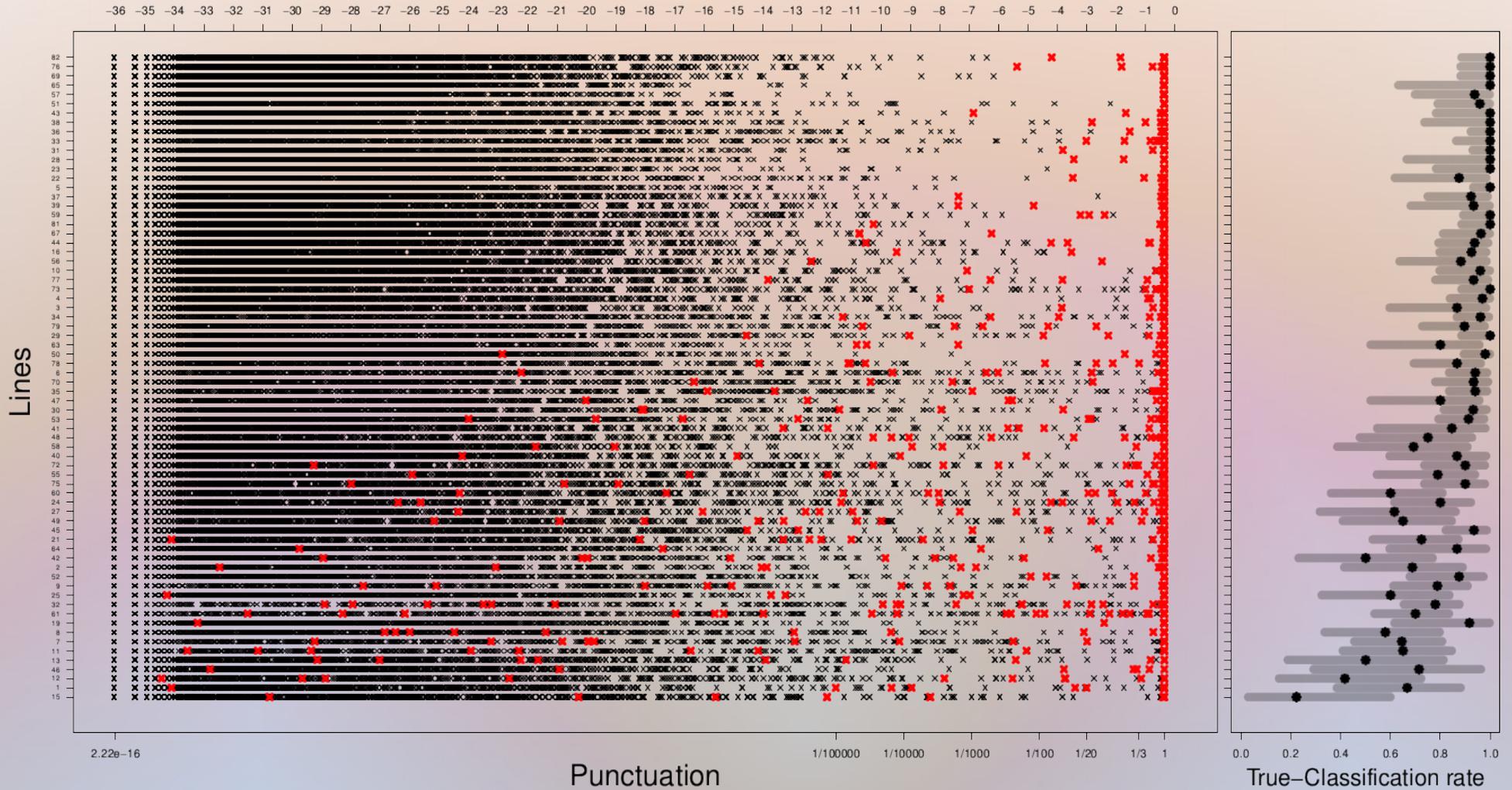
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ROC-surface of the 70 lines

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Score of each bull at each line (red at true line)

# Conclusions

- multivariate models for line allocation with microsatellite genotypes
- covariates as binarily coded one- or two-copies
- AUC as a quality measure of the classification
- ROC-surface as a criteria for covariate selection
- multivariate model accounts for *between* and *within* loci dependencies
- possible improvement of results when used on SNP

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