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MidJourney

wild
populations
are
often
structured



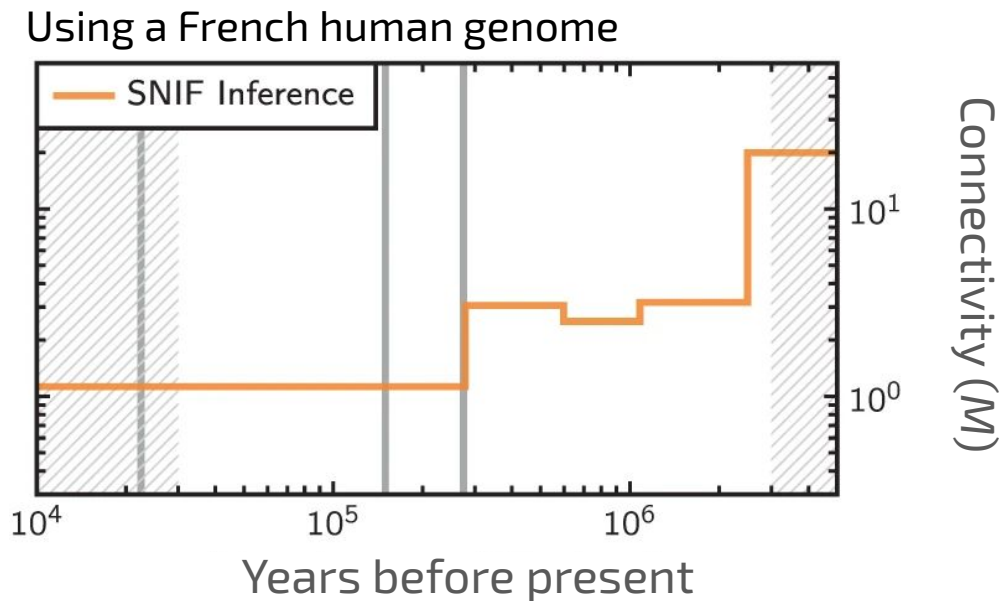
barriers to
gene flow
can **reduce**
or **disrupt**
their
connectivity



in the long
run, this can
lead to
increased
divergence



Most current genetic methods infer only **ancient** changes in connectivity



Arredondo et al. (2021)

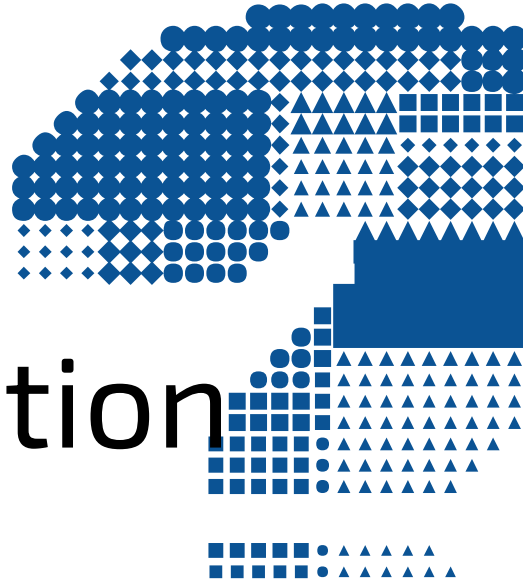
Steux et al. (2024) (*in prep.*)

but **human activities** have
created **very recent**
possible barriers to gene
flow (< 10 generations ago)



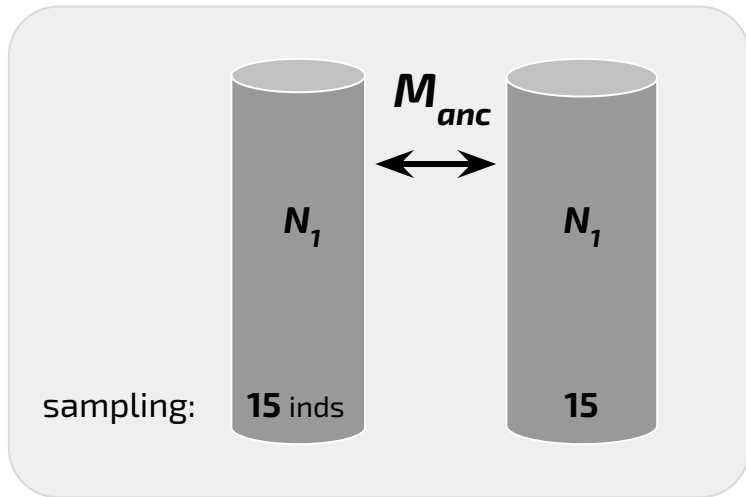
how well **DNA**
can help us

detect
very
recent
fragmentation

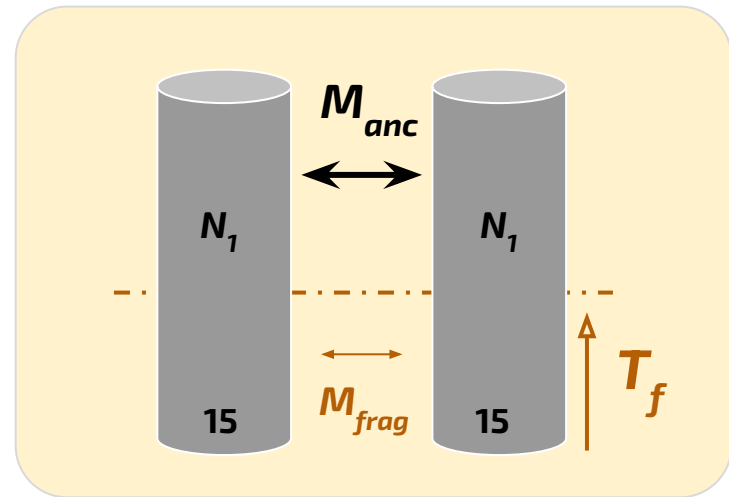


A study using **simulations**

stationary
model



fragmentation
model



stationary
model

fragmented
model

2,500 simulated
genetic data per model



$G=5 \times 25$ Mbp

Test the performance to infer underlying models using **ABC** with **random forests**

train

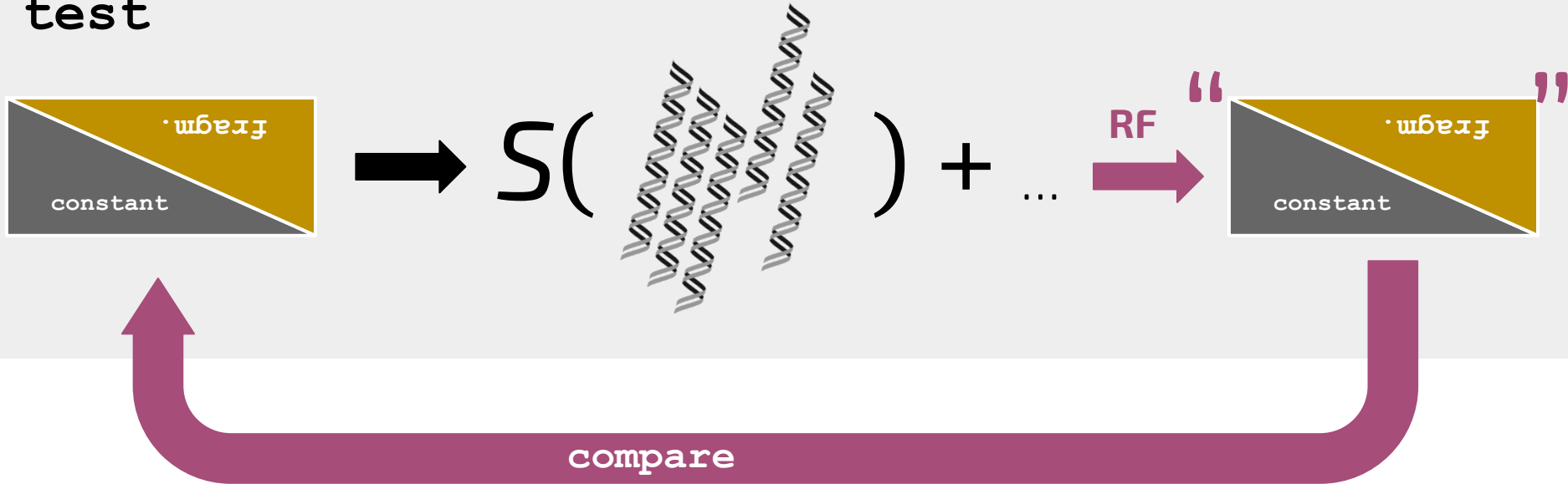


$$\sim S(\text{summary statistics}) + S(\text{summary statistics}) + \dots$$

summary statistics

Test the performance to infer underlying models using **ABC** with **random forests**

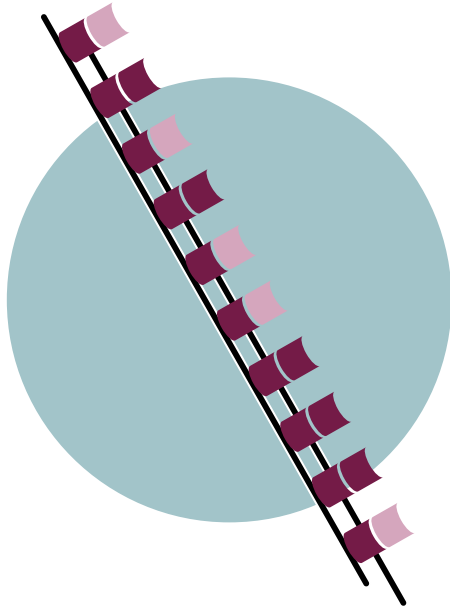
test



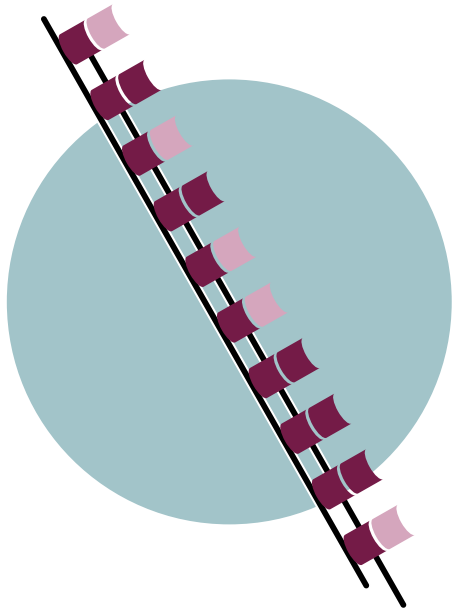
using **different**
types of
genomic data

types of genomic data

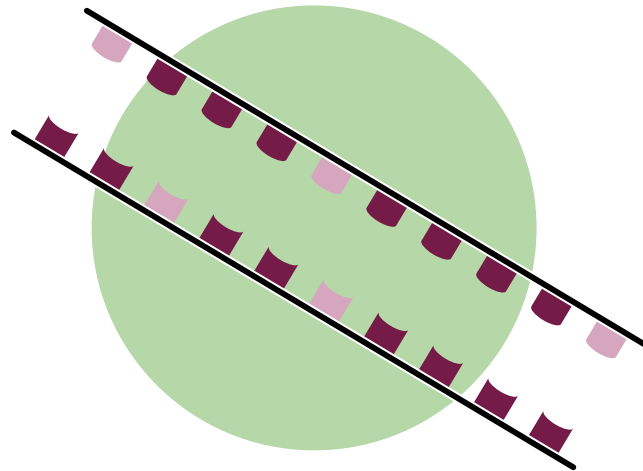
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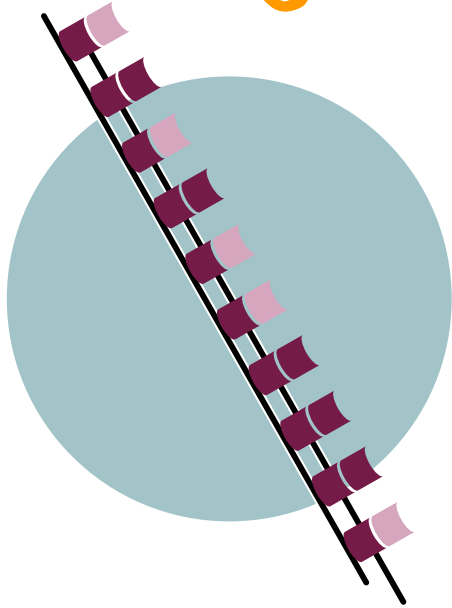
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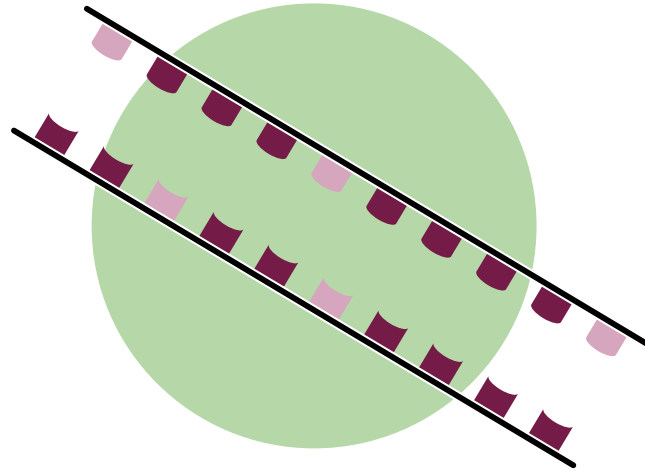
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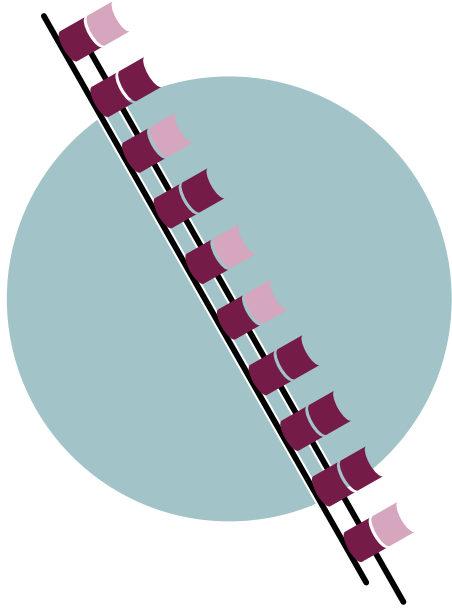
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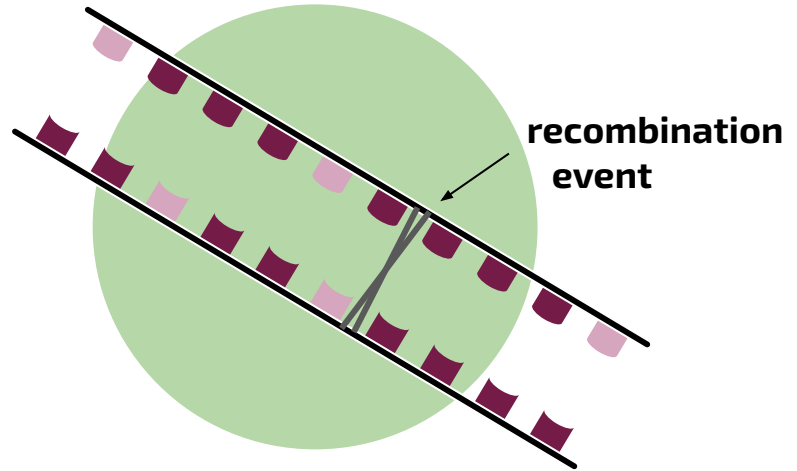
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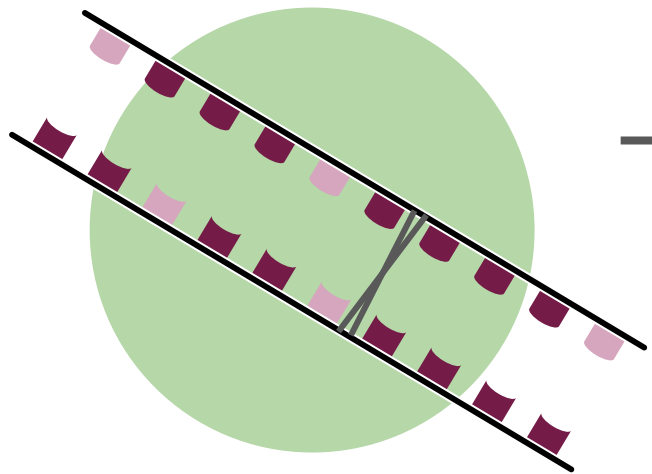


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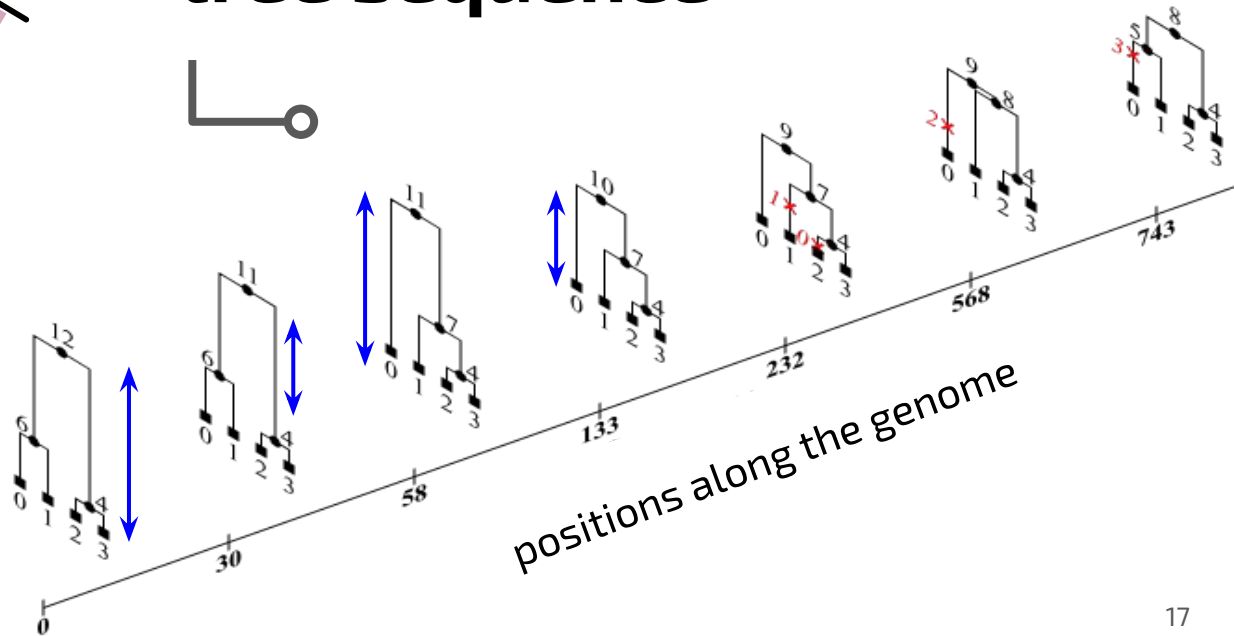


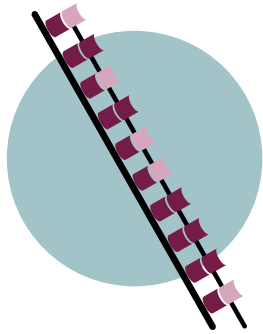
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tree sequence

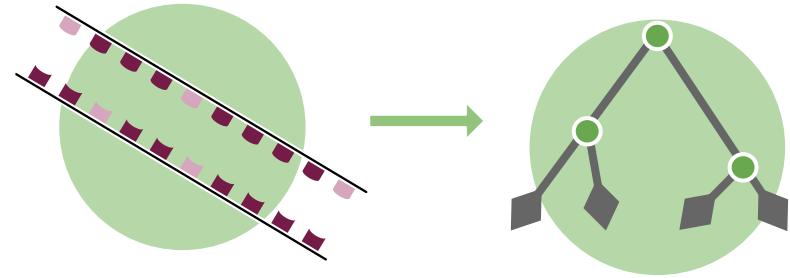




genotypic statistics

within-pop ——— between

- **2D-jAFS** (Allele Frequency Spectrum)
- **Tajima's D**
- **Nucleotide diversity/divergence**
- **F_{ST}**



genealogical statistics

within-pop ——— between

- **Distributions of $(T_k)_k$**
- **Distributions of $(T_c)_k$**
- **PLFT** (Proportion of Lineages as a Function of Time)

Maruvka et al. (2011)

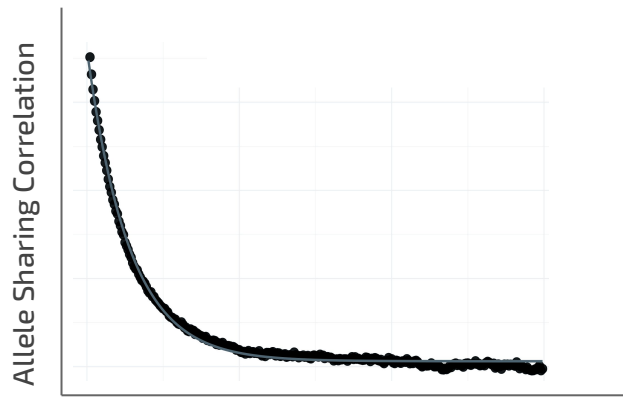
+ subtracted
between - $E(\text{within1, within2})$

genotypic statistics

within-pop ——— between

→ **ASCEND**

Tournebize, Chu, Moorjani (2022)



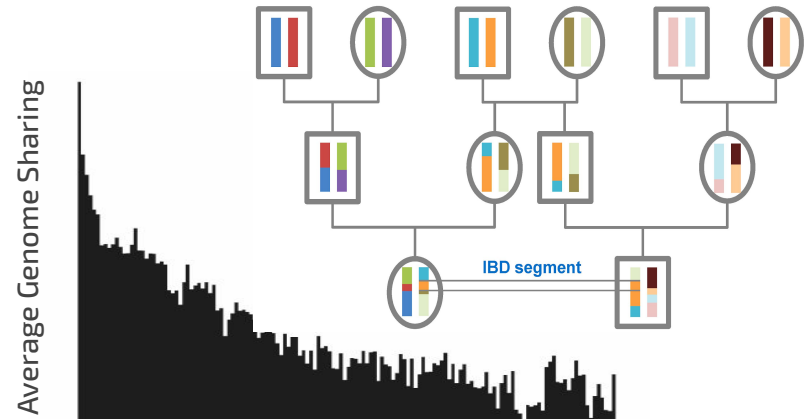
Genetic distance

+ subtracted

genealogical statistics

within-pop ——— between

- Genomic correlations in pairwise coalescences + $T_k + T_c + PLFT$
- Distribution of IBD lengths



Genetic length



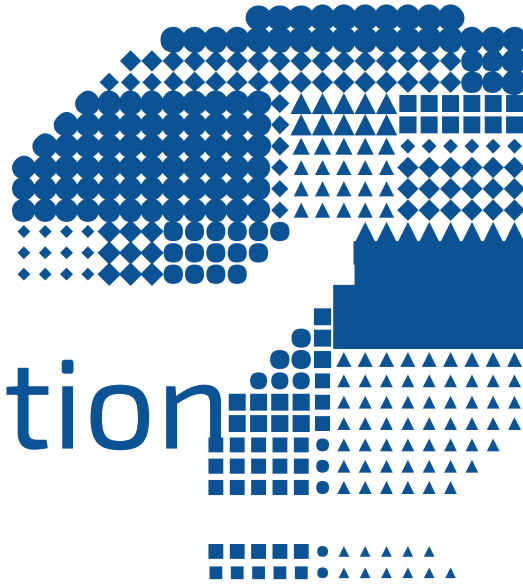
how well \neq summary
statistics

can help us

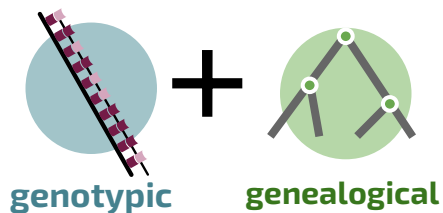
detect

very
recent

fragmentation



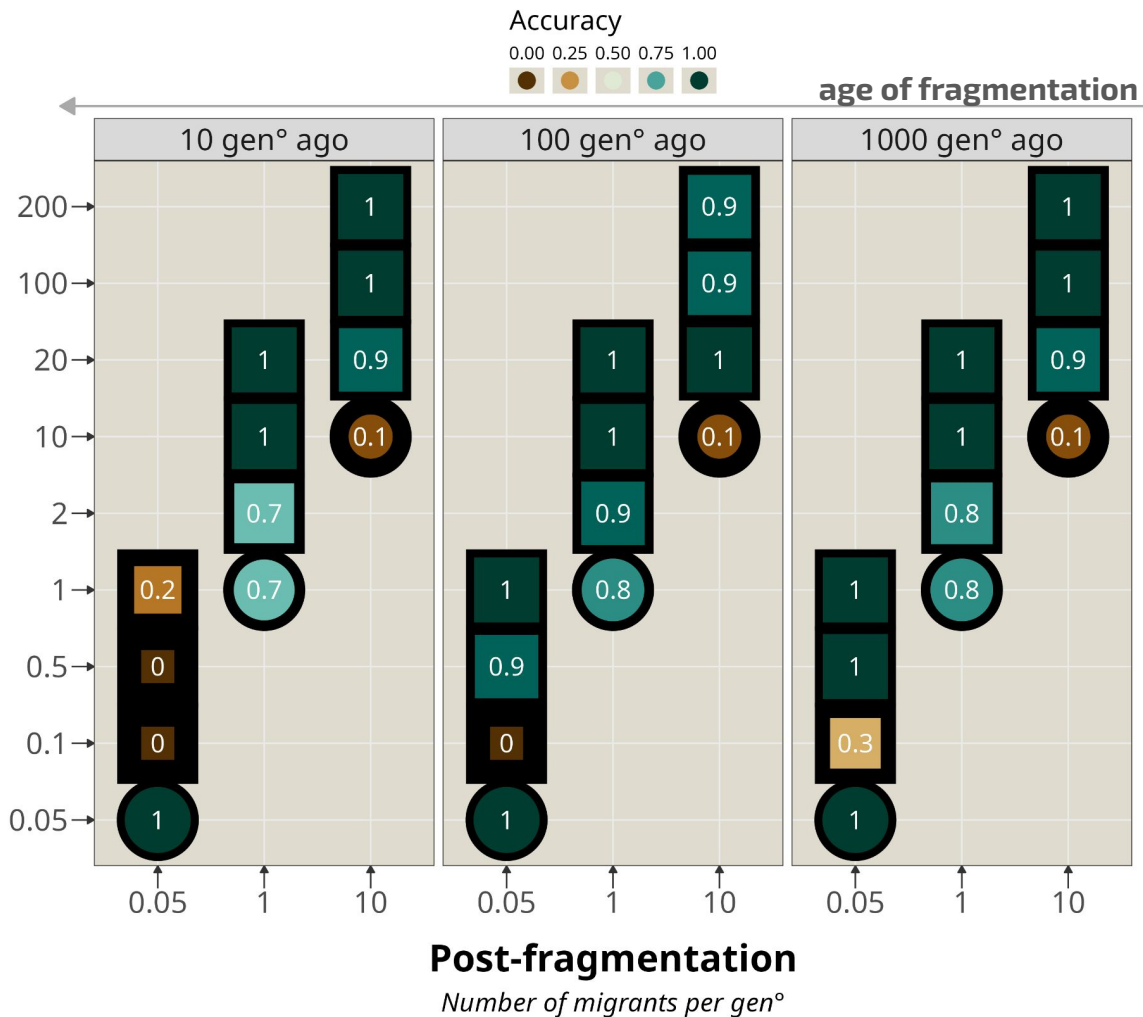
Detection power



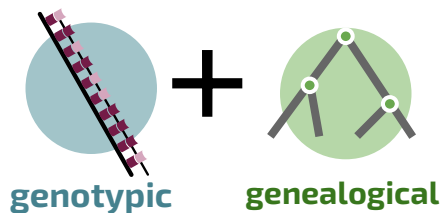
generally a great
power to detect
fragmentation

fragmentation

stationary



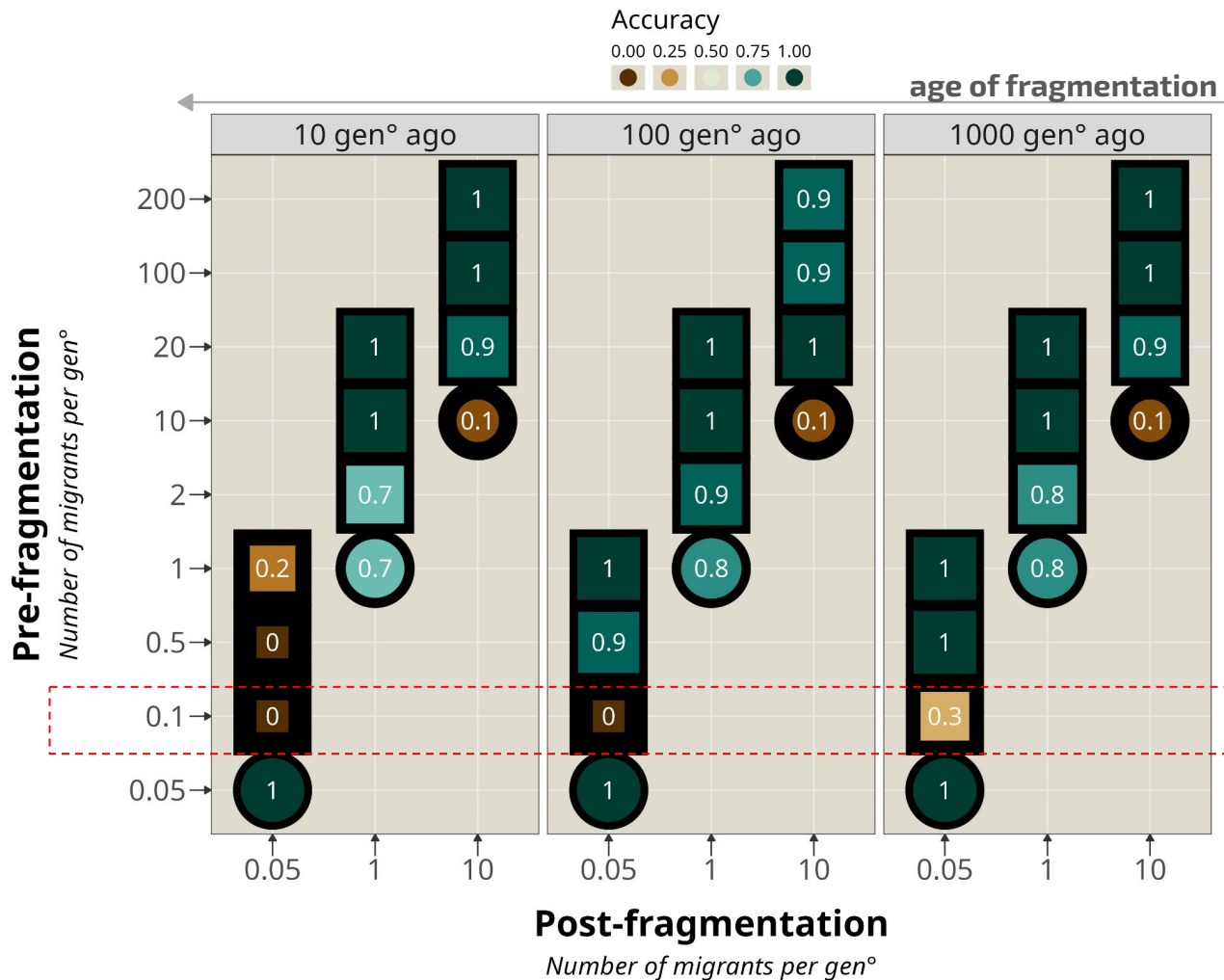
Detection power



limited power to detect **weak** reduction when pops **already weakly connected**

fragmentation

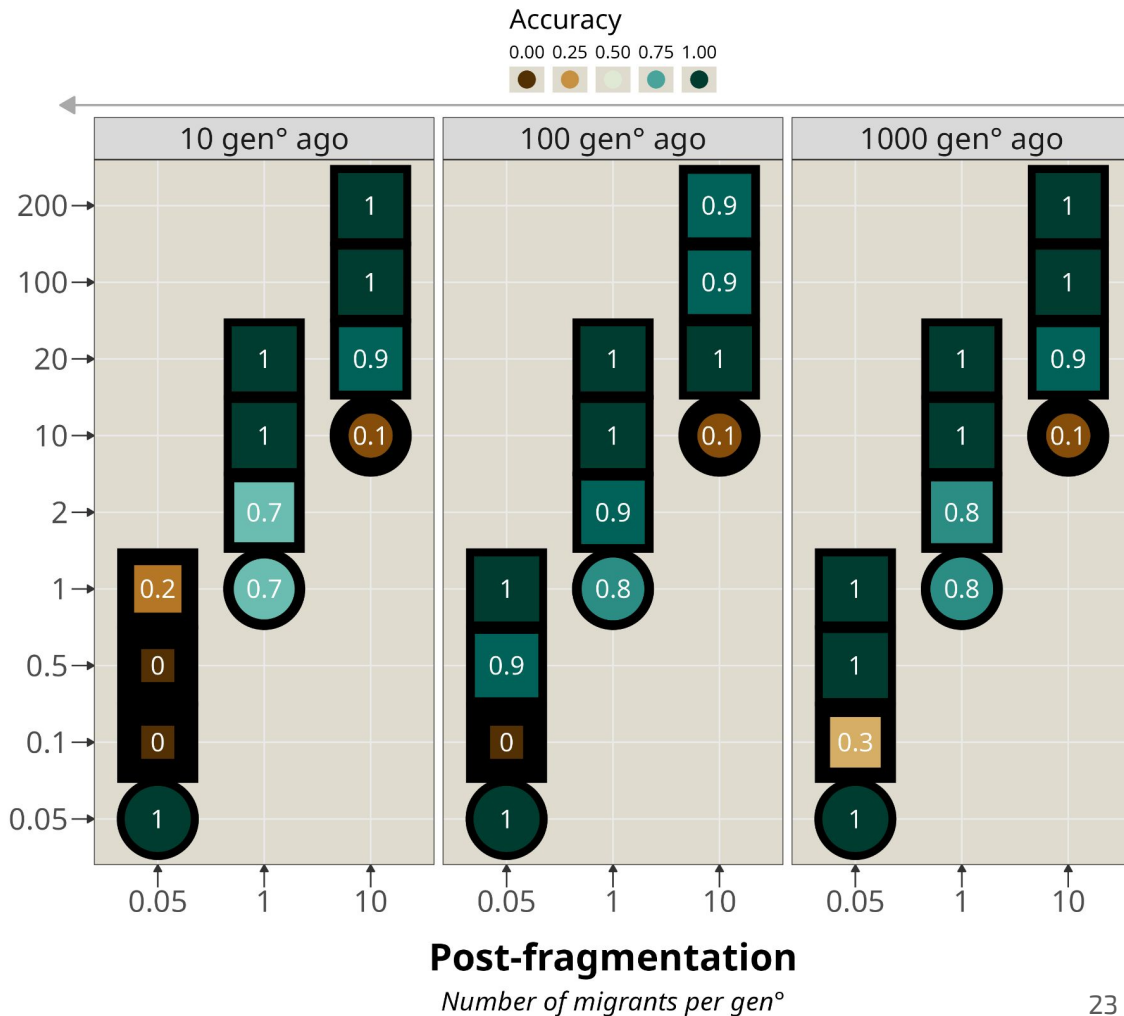
stationary



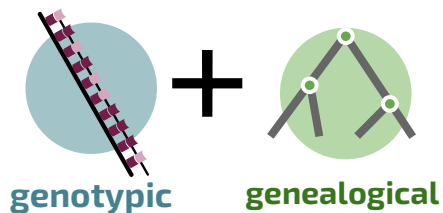
A conservation genomic concern

likely to **underdetect** weak fragmentation

Pre-fragmentation
Number of migrants per gen°



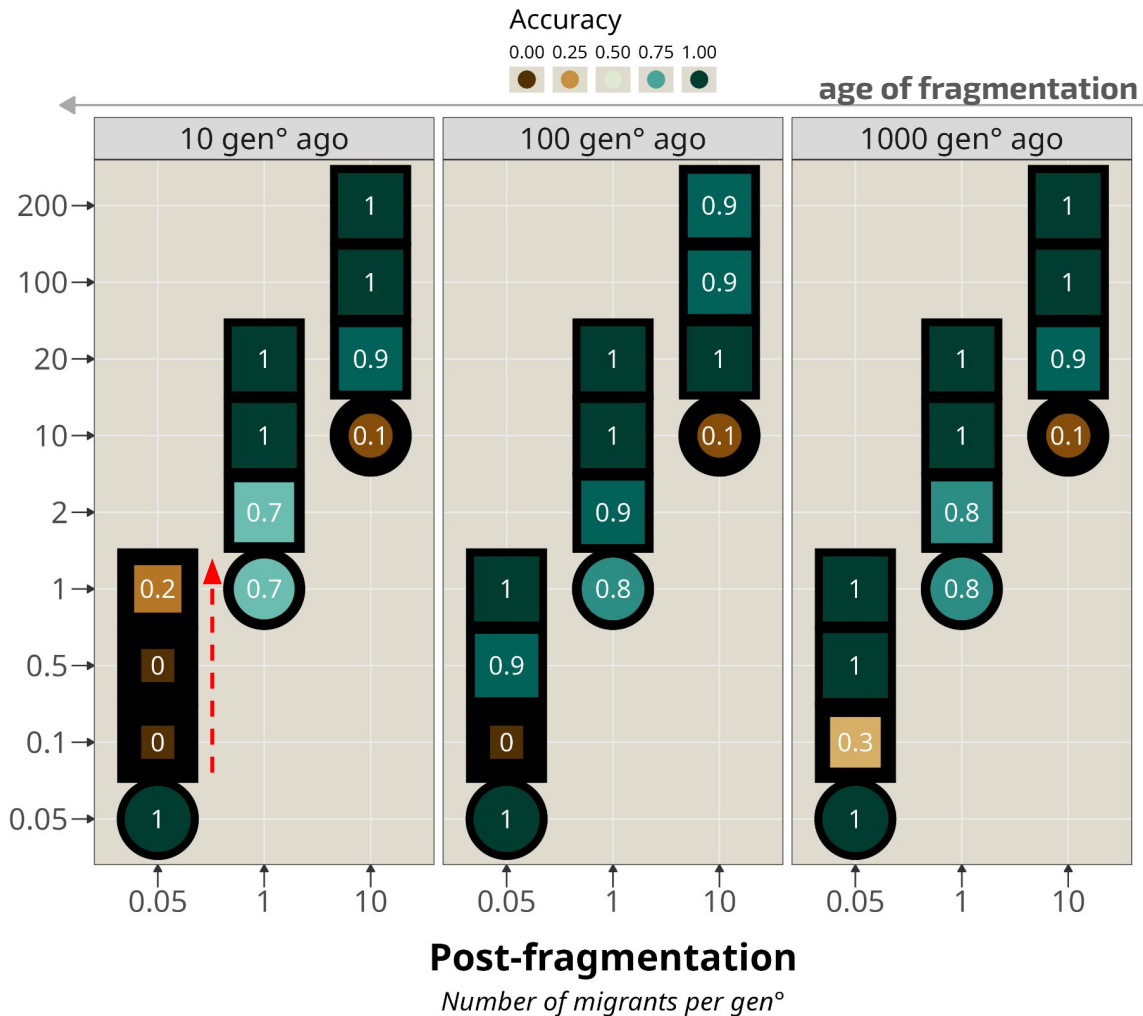
Detection power



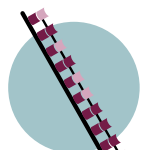
yet **power** increases
as fragmentation
intensity increases

fragmentation

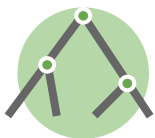
stationary



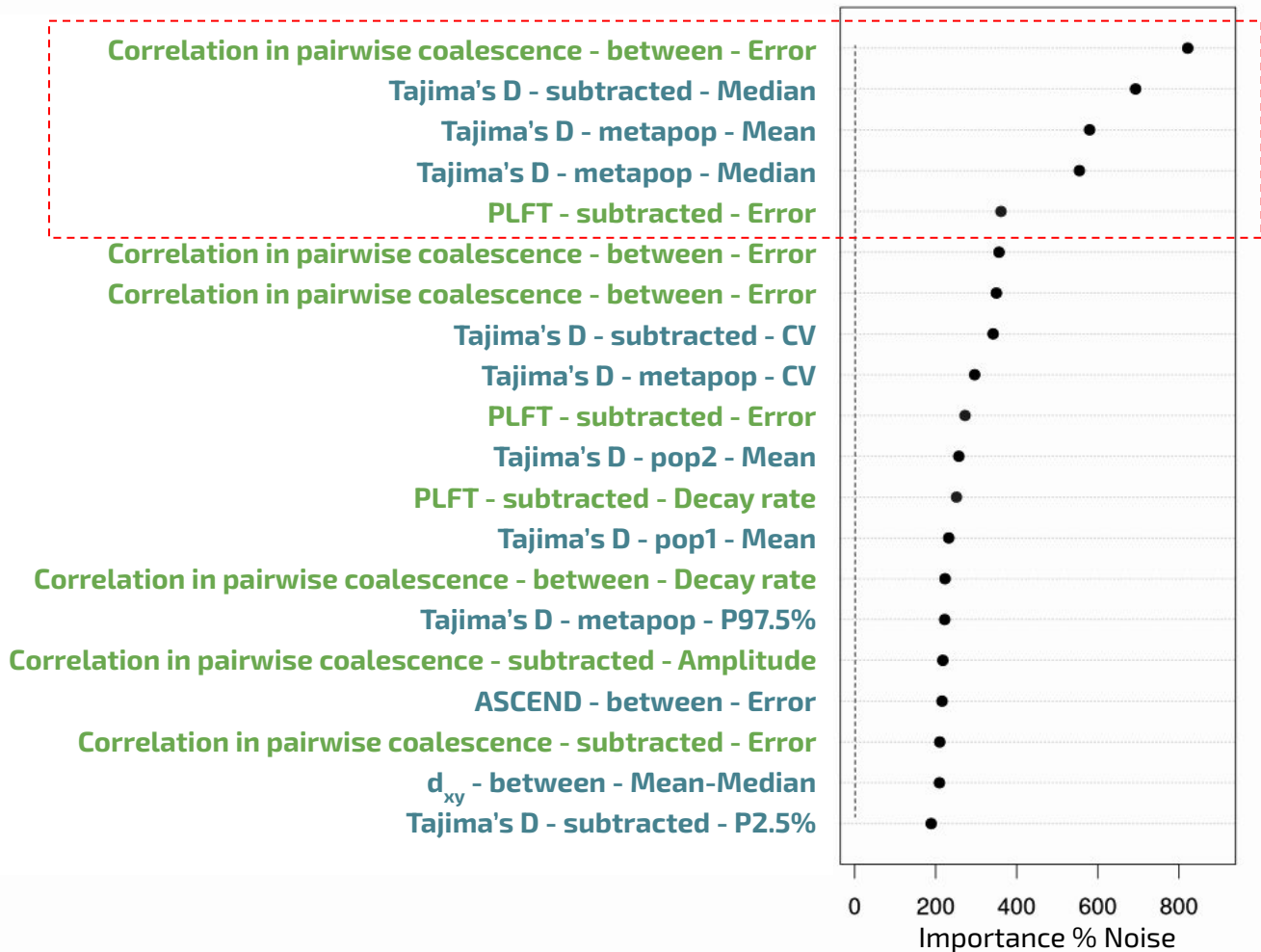
Variable importance



genotypic



genealogical



Conclusions

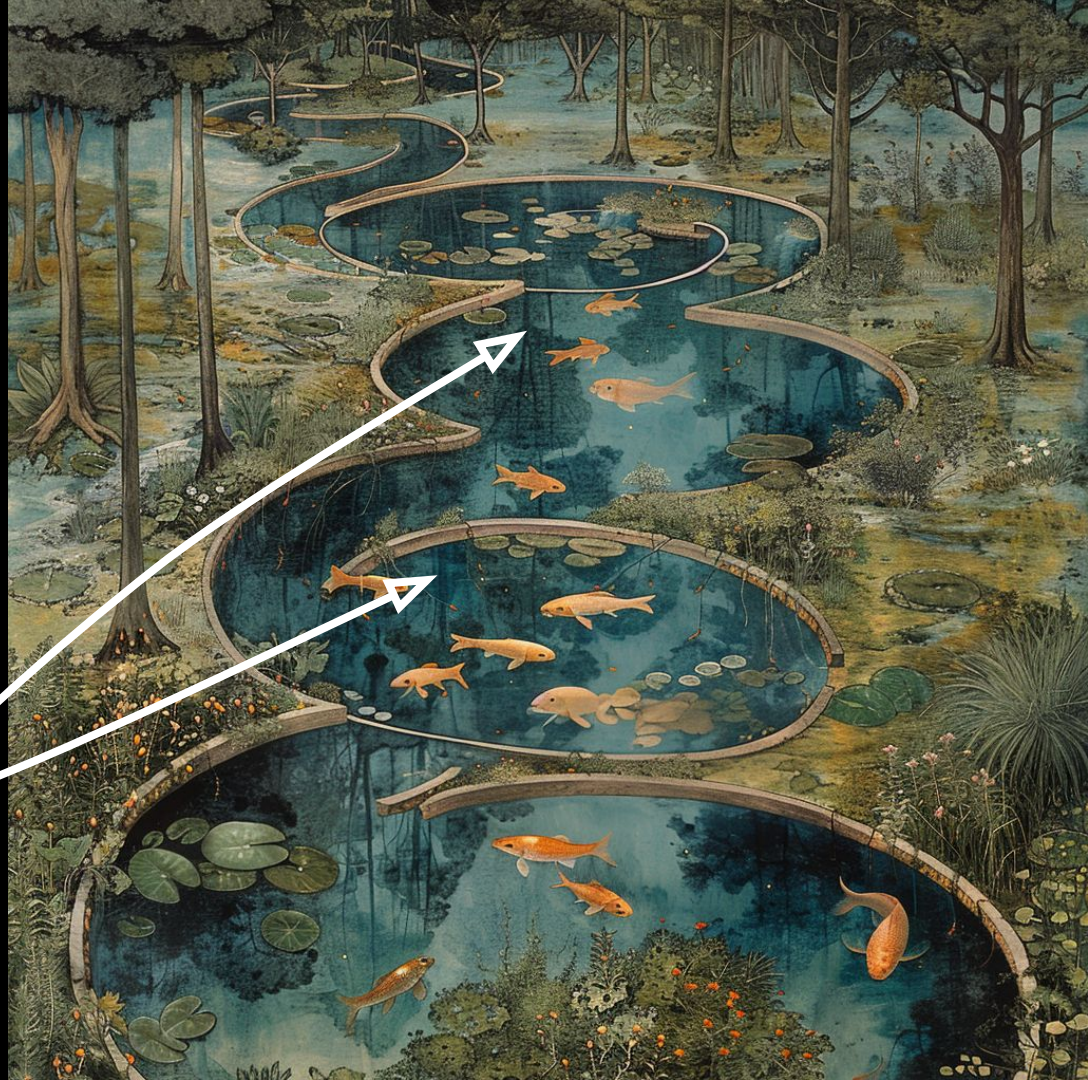
Genomic data **useful** to detect recent fragm^o

Genotypic statistics already **sufficient**

Genealogical data **improve** detection accuracy

Still problematic to identify fragmentation if:
weak &
very recent ($< 10 \text{ gen}^o$) &
pops were **already poorly connected**

But alternatives possible... i.e. M in **other**
non-fragmented pops as a proxy to M_{anc}



Thank

you!

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Lounès Chikhi
& the DevOcGen team members

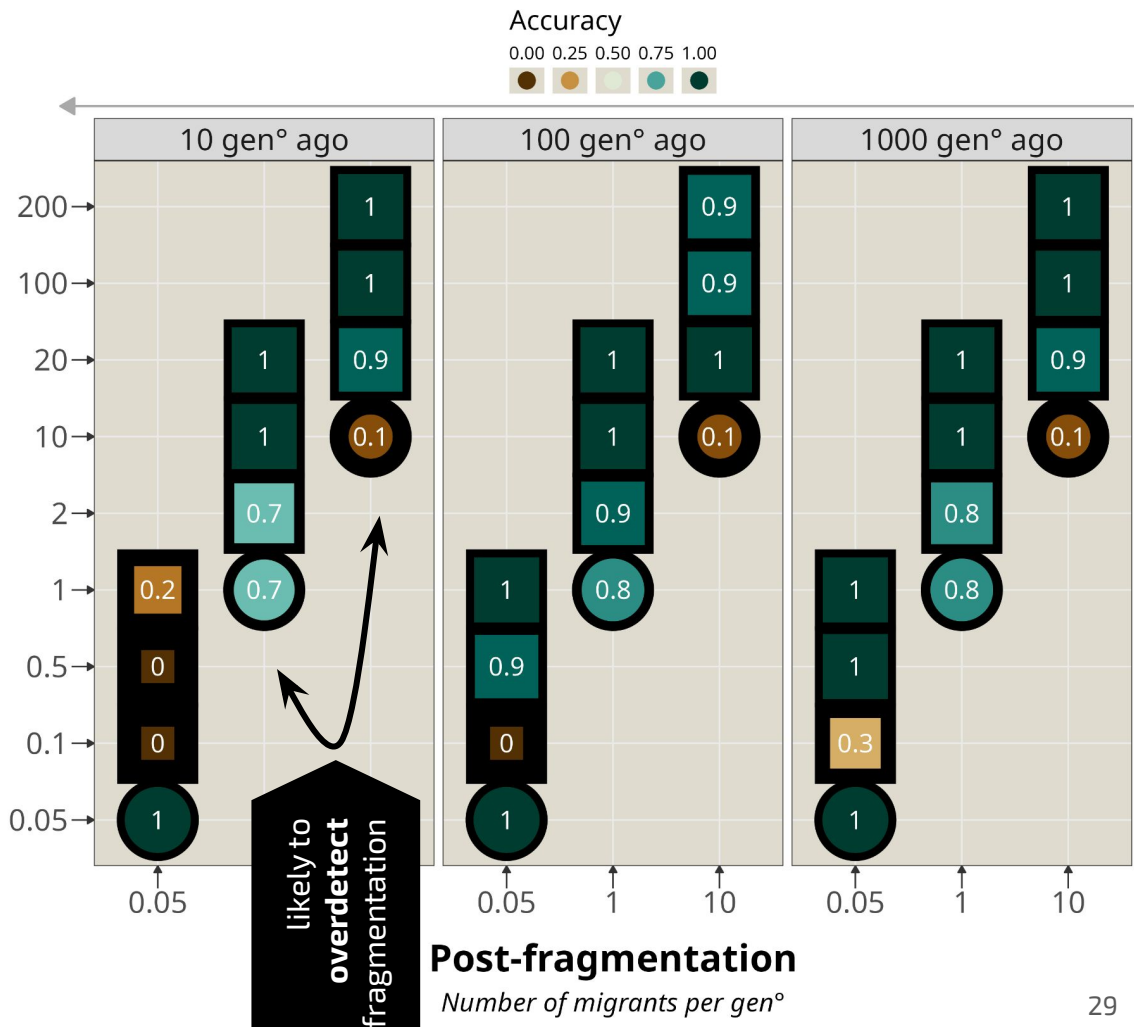


Appendix

A conservation genomic concern

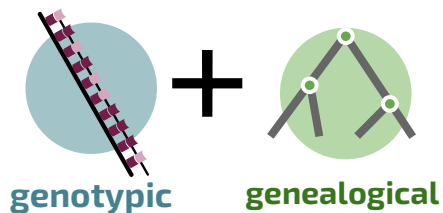
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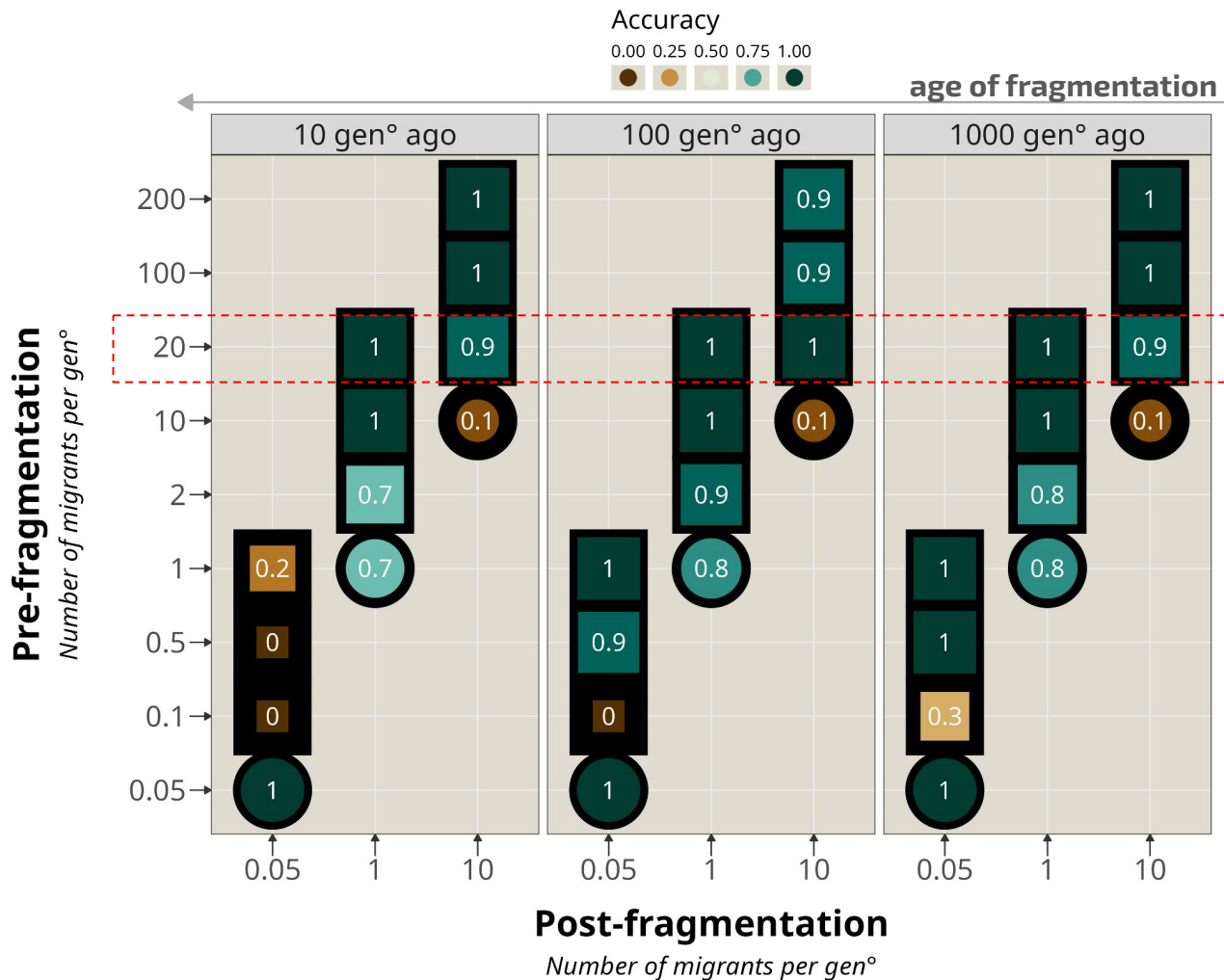
Detection power



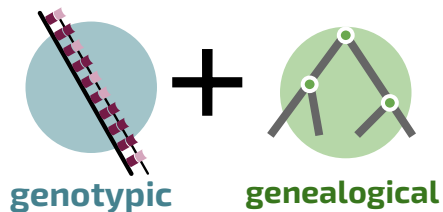
power tends to **increase** with founder **intensity**

▣ fragmentation

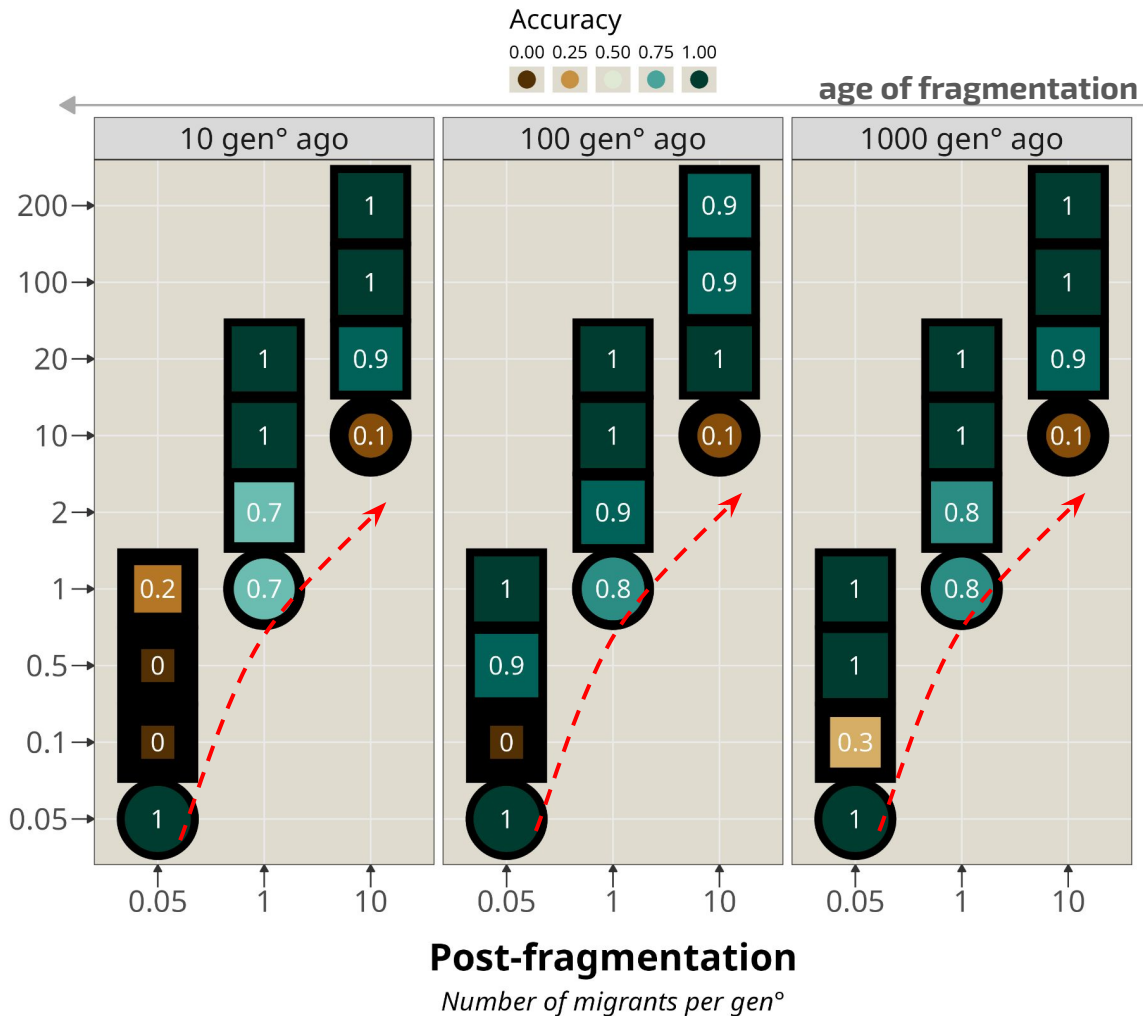
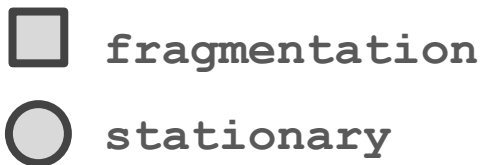
○ stationary



Detection power

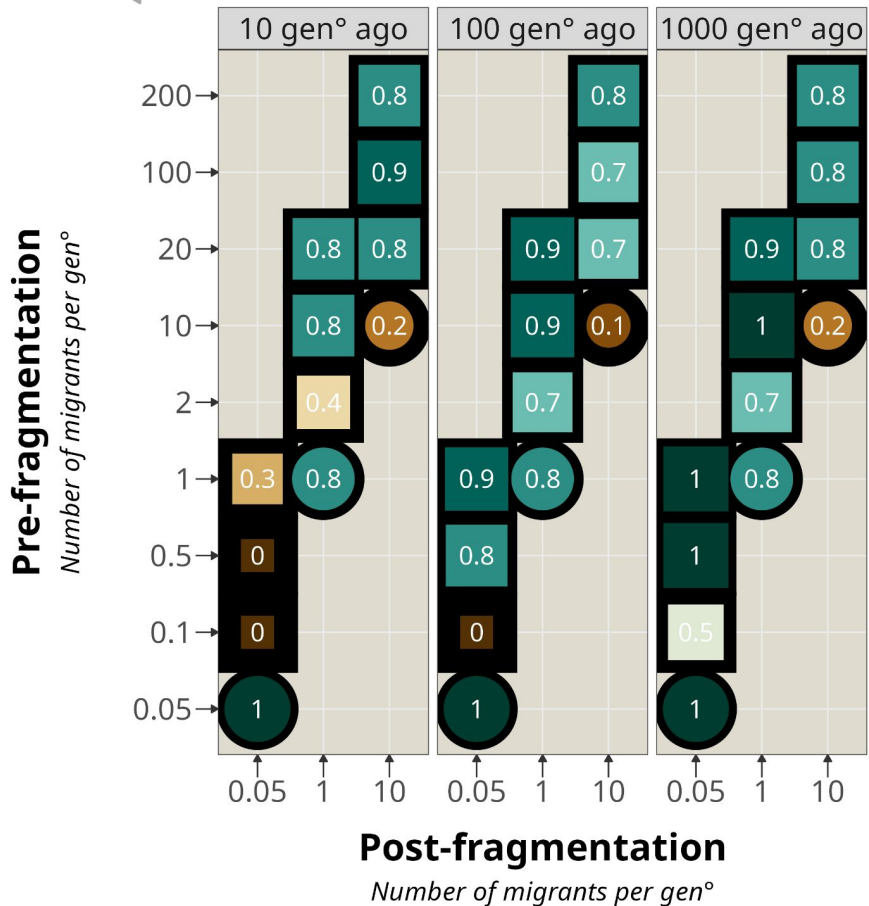


power to detect stationary model decreases with migration rate

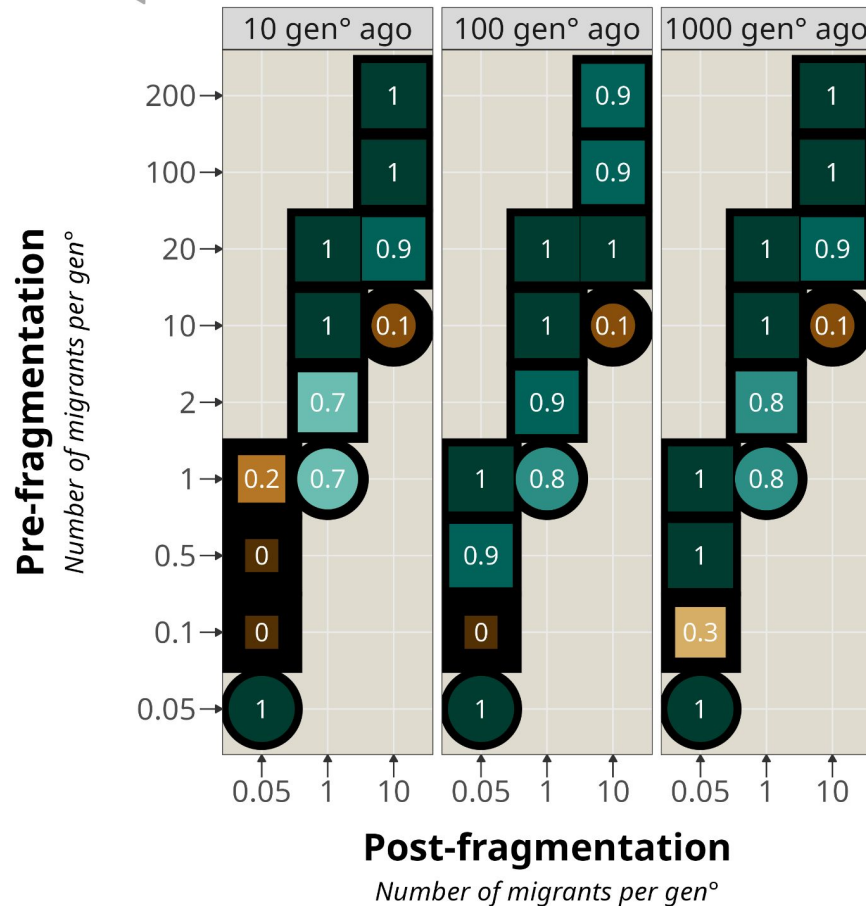


GT

Accuracy
 0.00 0.25 0.50 0.75 1.00

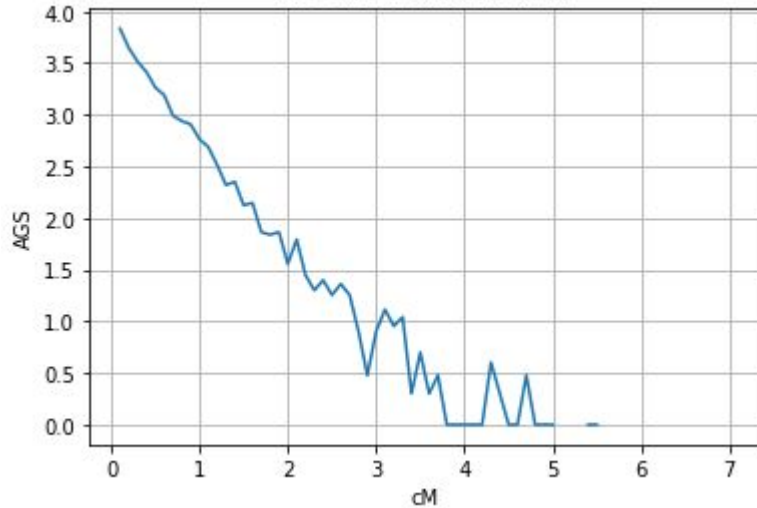
**GT + GL**

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 0.00 0.25 0.50 0.75 1.00



Hudson

AGS as a function of cM



DTWF

AGS as a function of cM

