

# *Prediction of causative genomic relationships using sequence data of five French and Danish dairy cattle breeds*

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# *Introduction*

- Increasing number of sequences individuals  
→ possible to use for genomic selection
- Sequence contains causative mutations  
→ increase prediction accuracy?
- Across breed: low accuracy using 50K/HD chips → insufficient linkage disequilibrium across breed?
- Low MAF variants not on SNP chips



# *Objective*

To study the potential benefits of sequence data  
for the prediction of genomic relationships

Different scenarios:

- Within and across breed
- Number of causative mutations
- Distance between causative mutations and prediction markers
- Compare with 50K/HD
- MAF of causative mutations and prediction markers



# Methods

Quantify loss in prediction  $R^2$  following de los Campos *et al.* (2013):

$1 - (1 - b)^2$ :

$$\bar{R}_{n+1,y}^2 \leq R_{n+1,y}^2 [1 - (1 - b_{n+1})^2]$$

$R^2$  if markers are in perfect LD with causative mutations

minimum  $R^2$  reduction factor

$R^2$  if markers are not in perfect LD with causative mutations

$b$ :

$$\bar{G}_{n+1,i} = b_{n+1} G_{n+1,i} + \xi_{n+1,i} \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

regression coefficient

genomic relationship at causative mutations

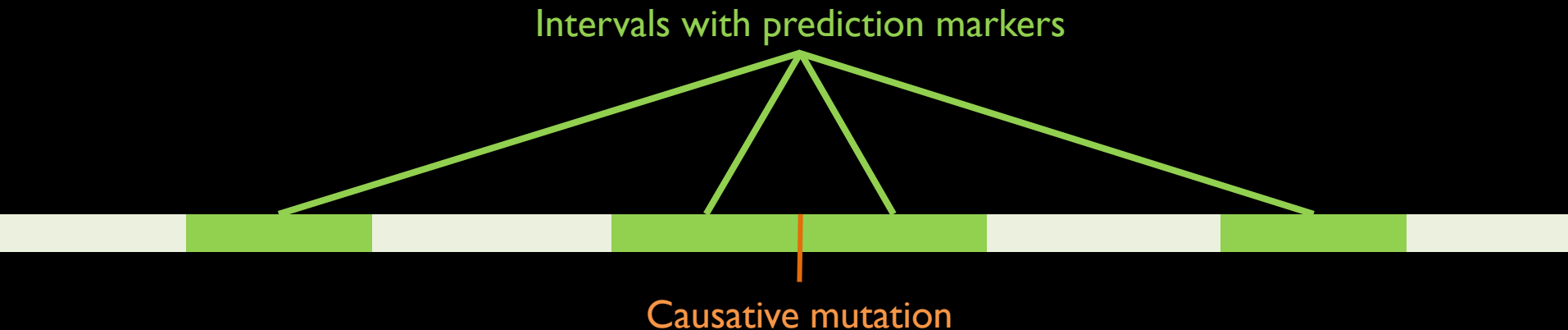
genomic relationship at prediction markers between individual  $n + 1$  and individual  $i$

residuals



# Methods

- Genomic relationship matrix at causative mutations
  - 10/50/100/250 randomly sampled variants
- Genomic relationship matrix at prediction markers
  - 50K / HD: SNP on 50K / HD chip
  - 50K / HD closest: for each causative mutation, the closest 50K / HD marker
  - Two 1 Kb intervals on both sides of the causative mutations, distance between causative mutations and intervals between 1b and 1Mb





# Data

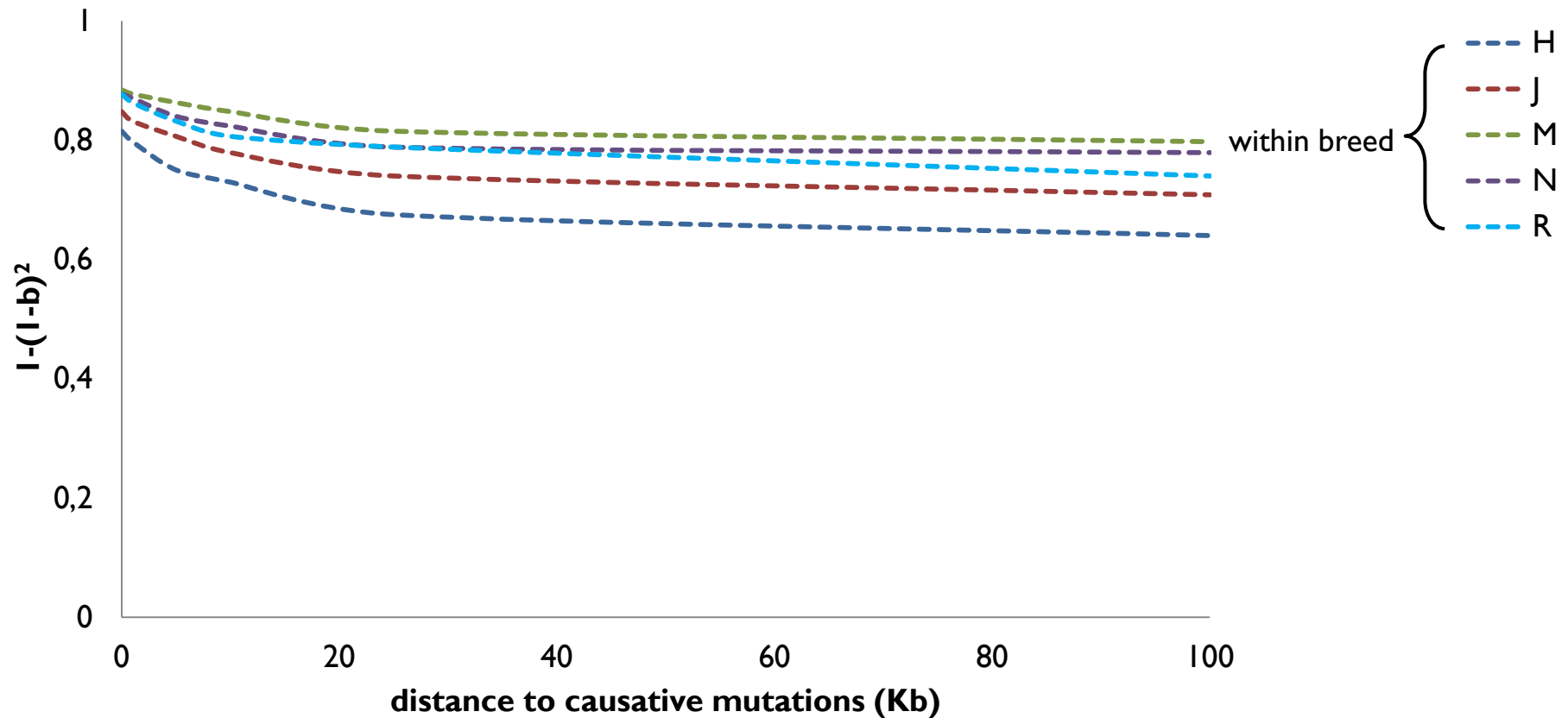
- Sequences, chromosome I
- 122 Holstein, 27 Jersey, 28 Montbéliarde, 23 Normande and 45 Danish Red
- Causative mutations selected from:
  - All variants segregating in at least one breed
  - Variants with  $MAF \leq 0.10$
- Prediction markers selected from:
  - All variants segregating in at least one breed
  - Variants with  $MAF \geq 0.10$
  - Variants present on the 50K/HD chip
- Each scenario was repeated 50 times





## Results – Within breed (100 causative mutations)

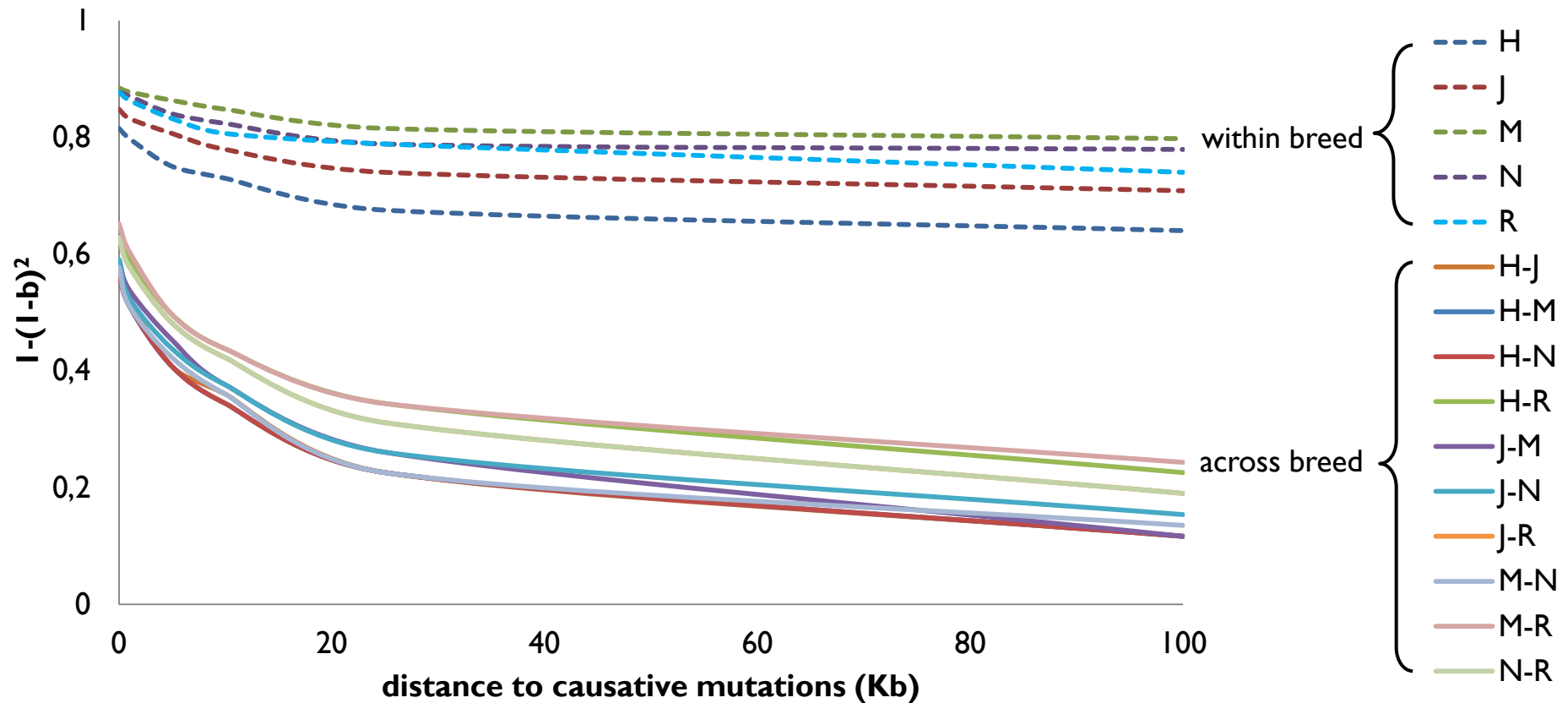
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## Results – Across breed (100 causative mutations)

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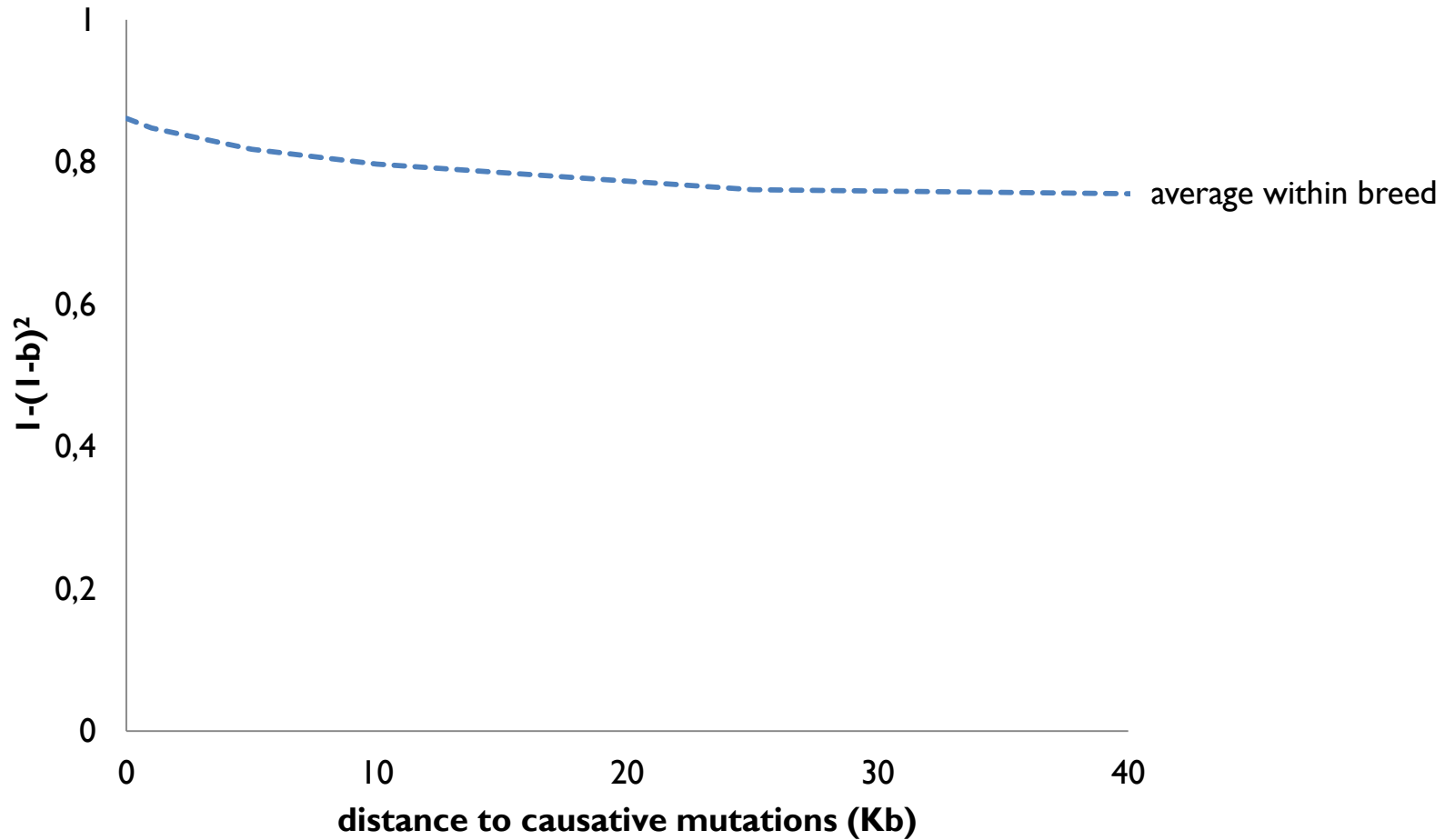


→  $I-(I-b)^2$  decreases when distance between prediction markers and causative mutations increases, faster decrease across breed



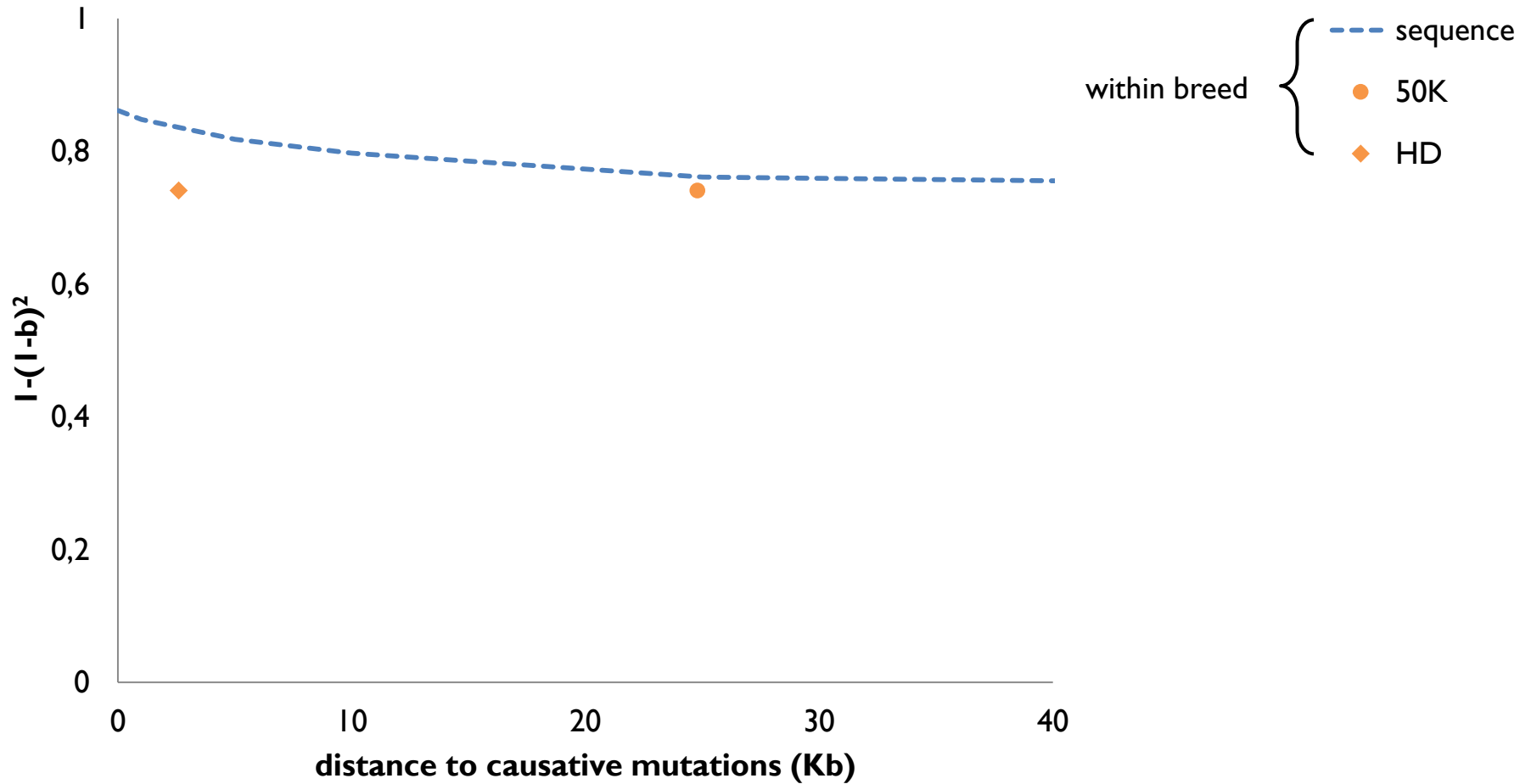


## Results – Sequence & SNP chips (100 causative mutations)



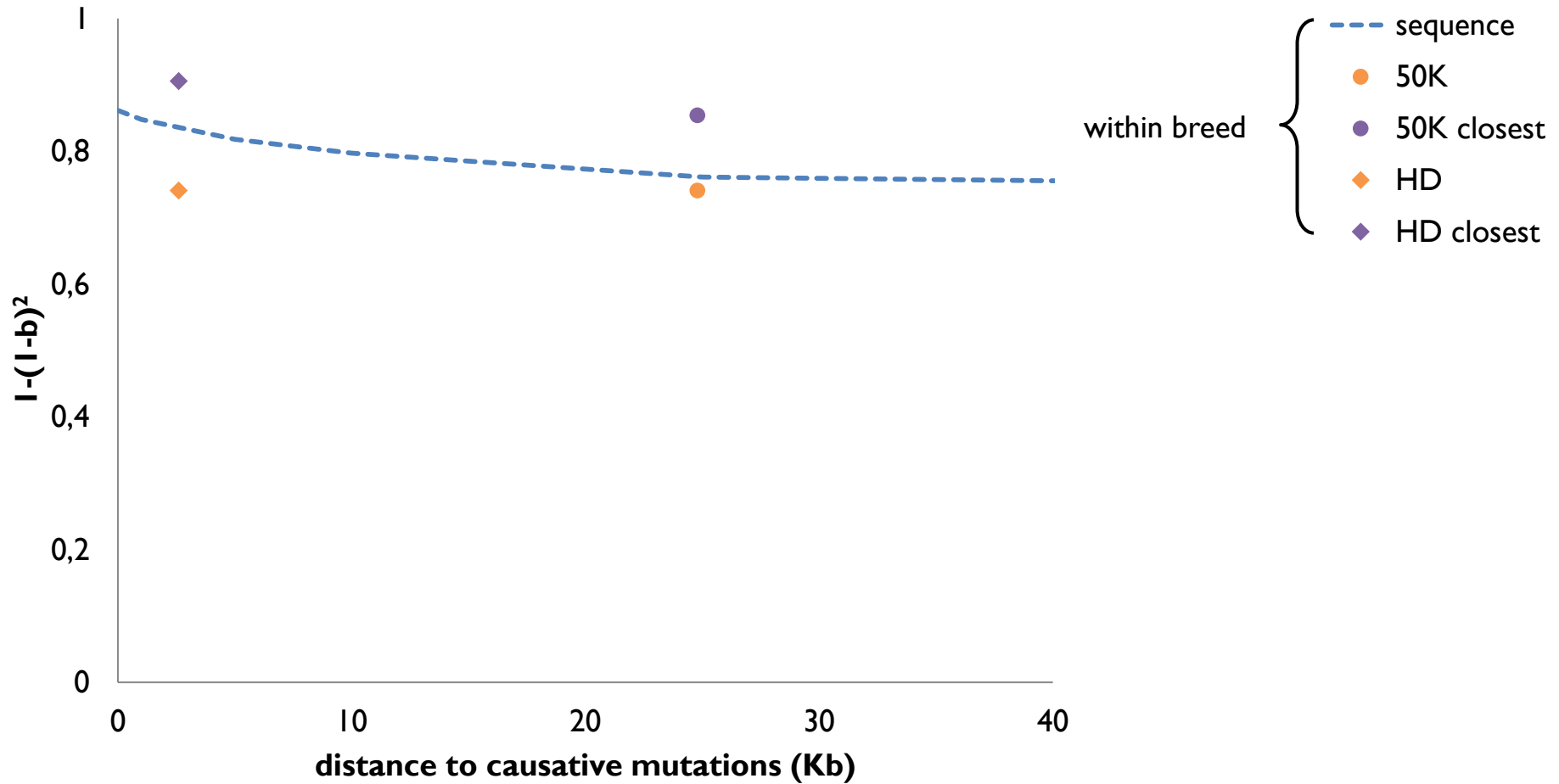


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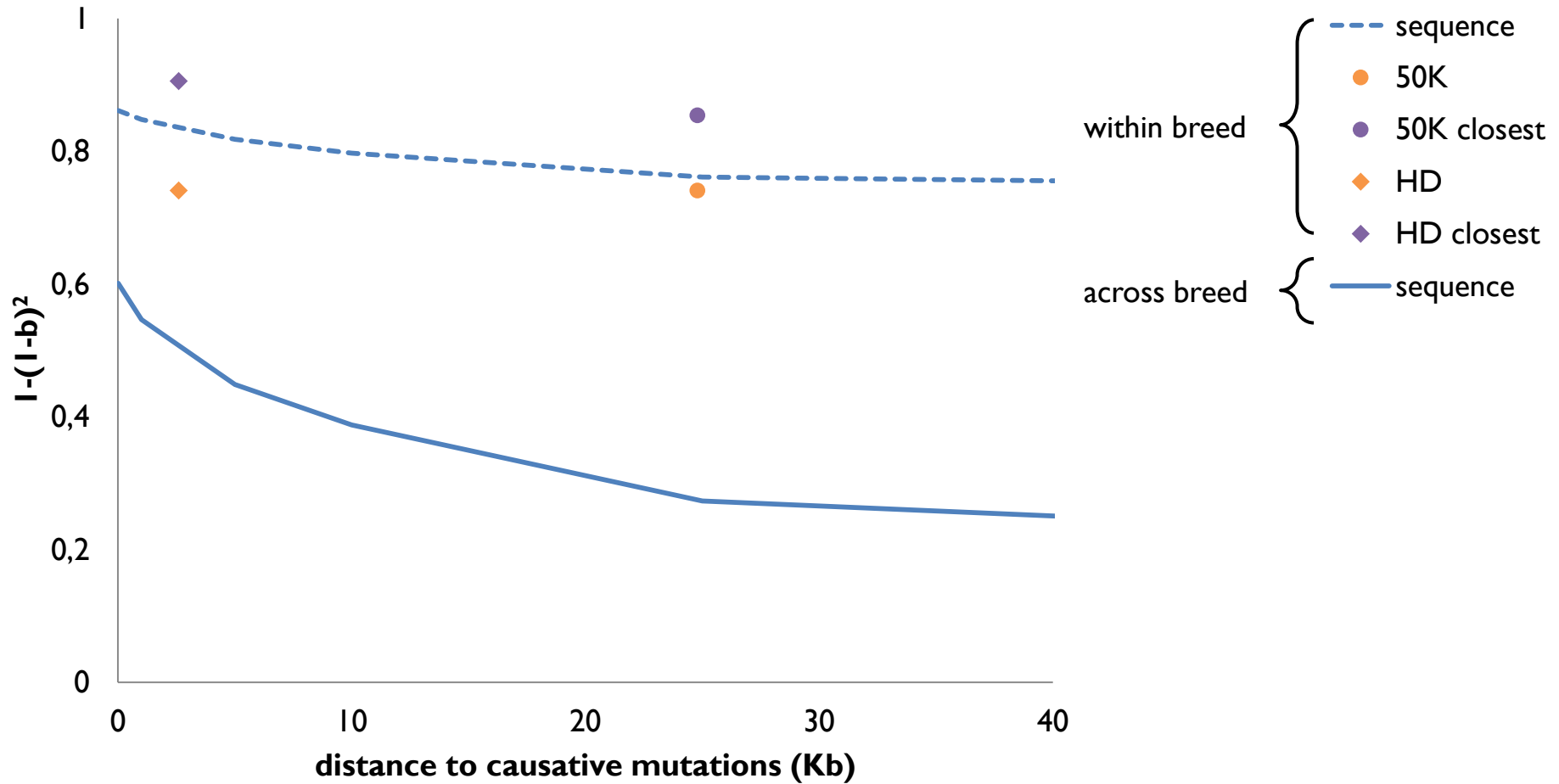


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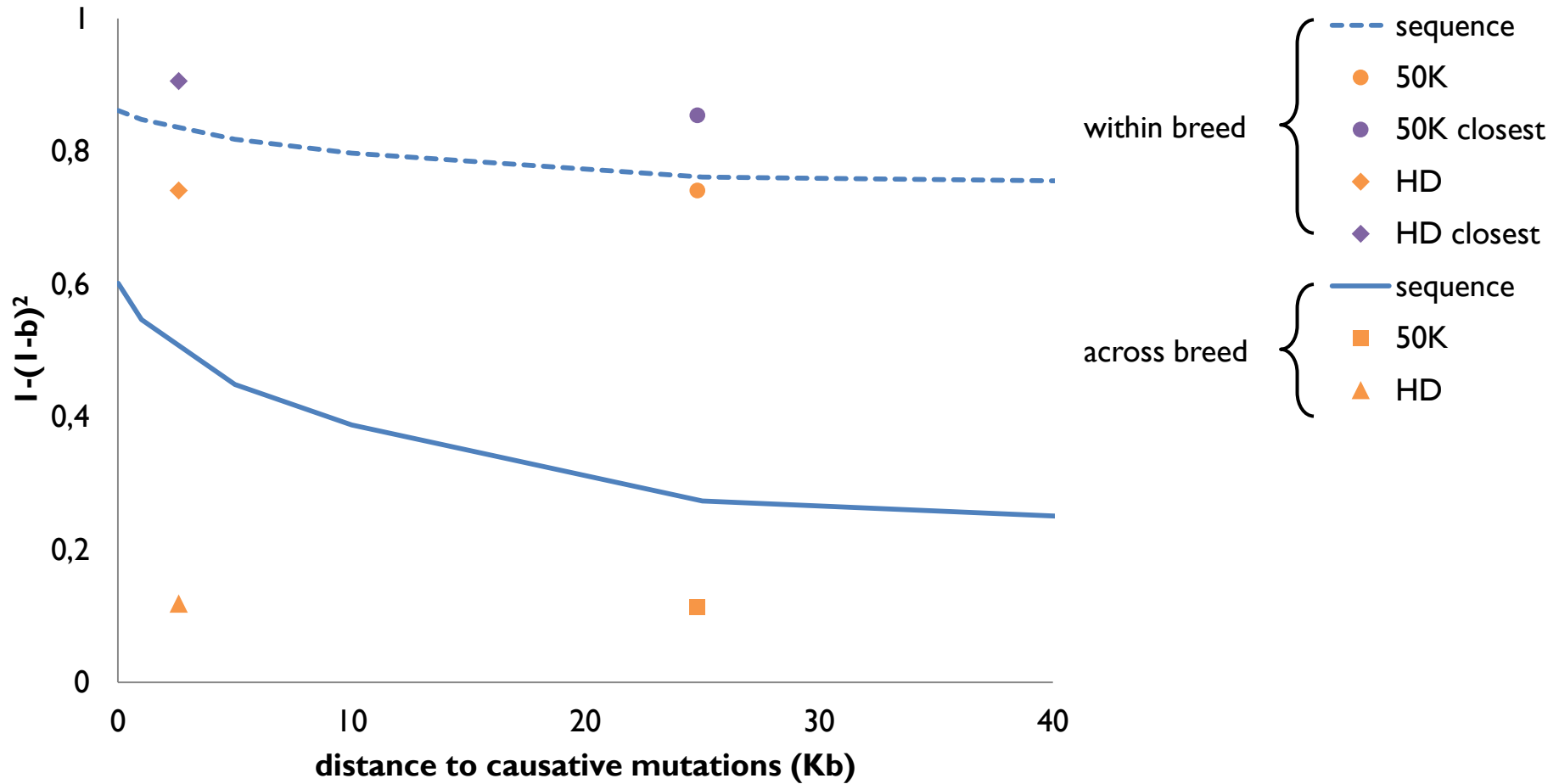


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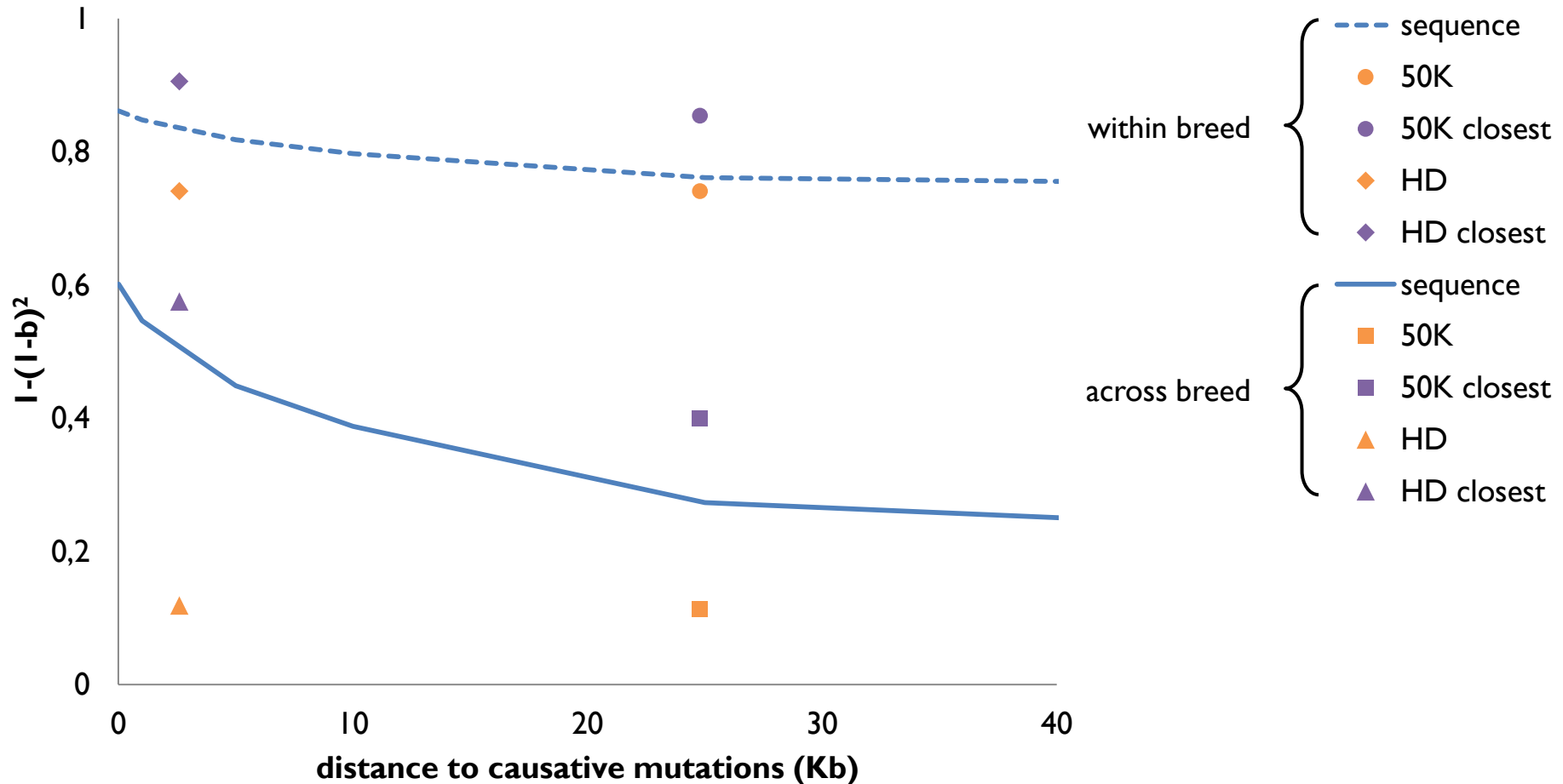


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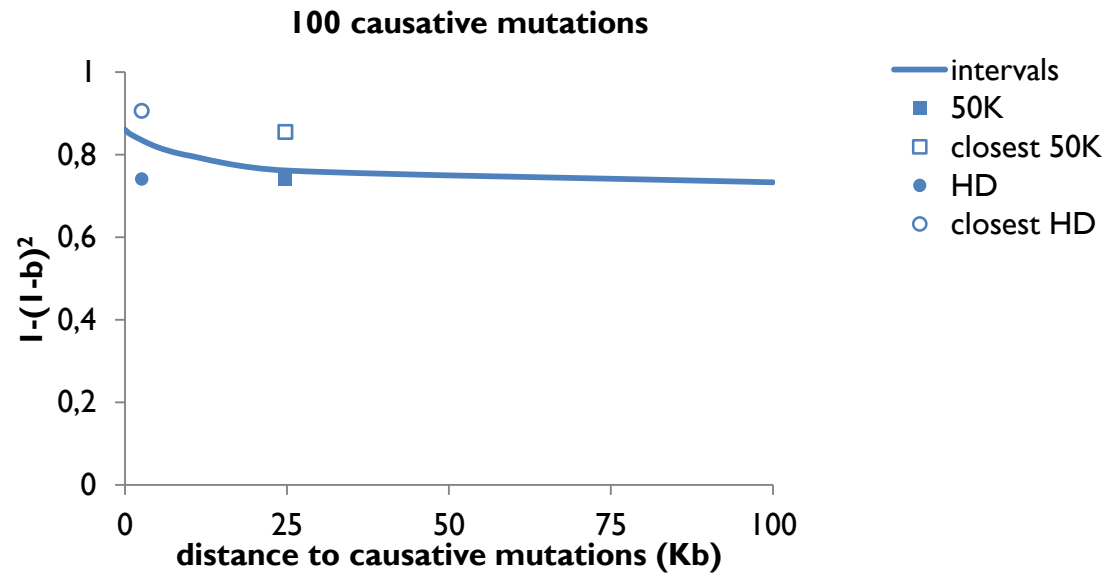
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→ Using all 50K/HD markers → lower  $1 - (1-b)^2$  compared to sequence, but higher when only the markers closest to the causative mutations are used



## Results – Number of mutations (within breed)

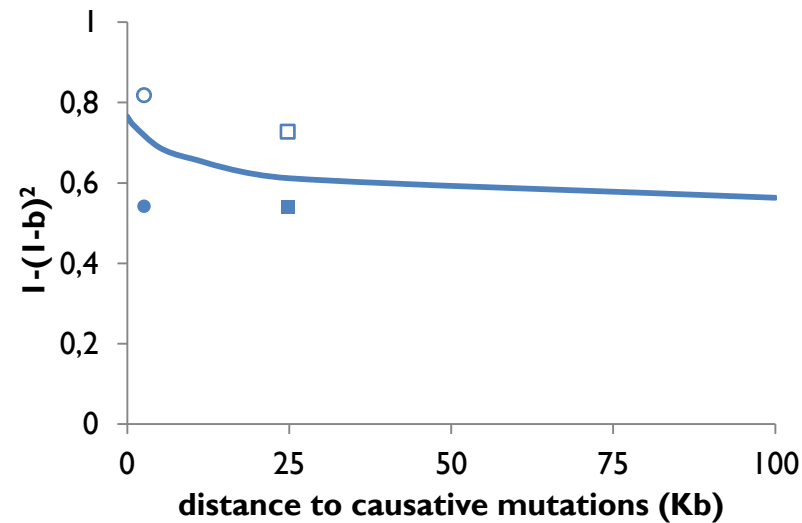




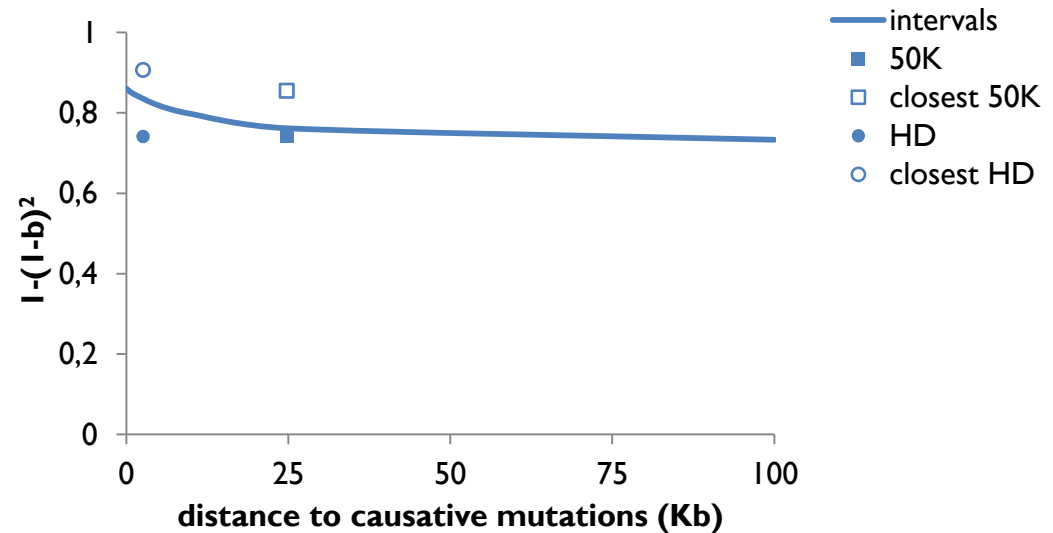


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50 causative mutations

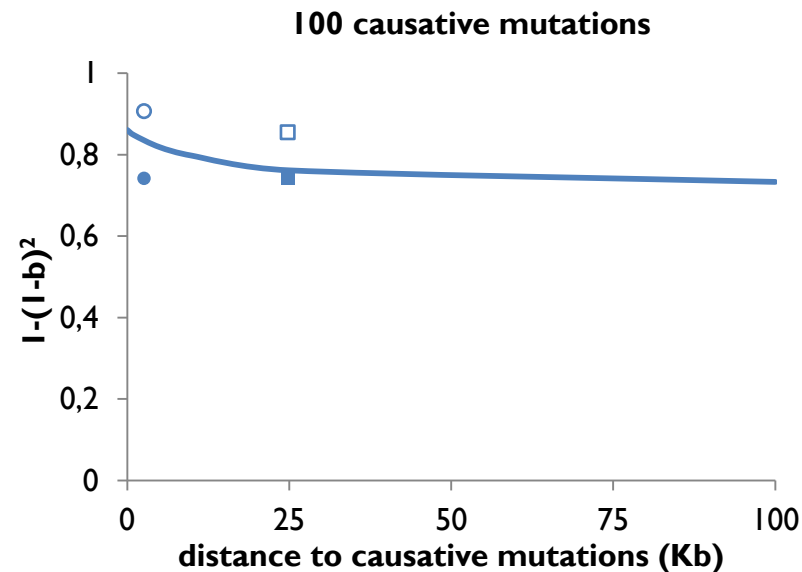
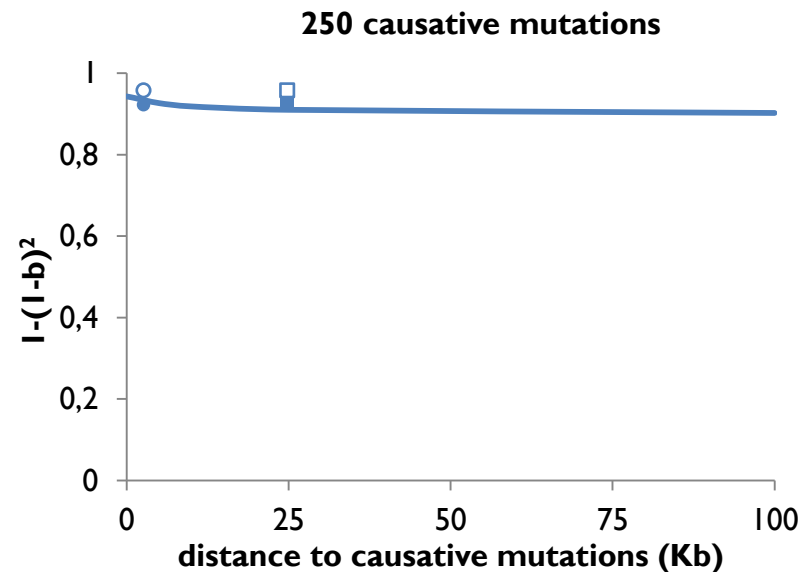
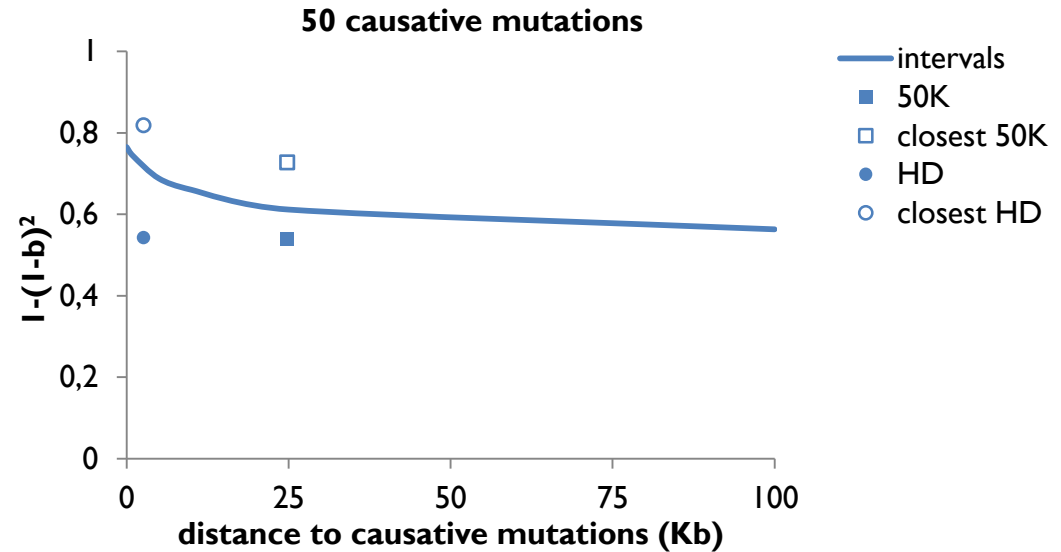


100 causative mutations



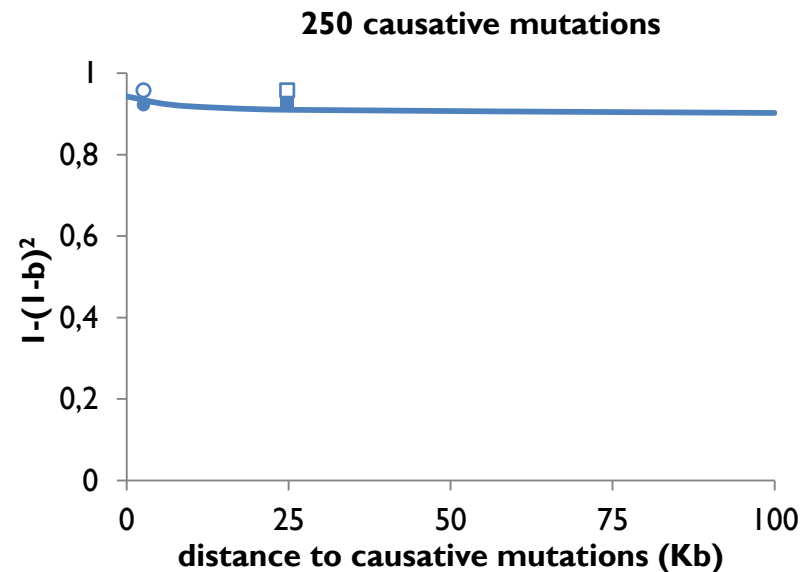
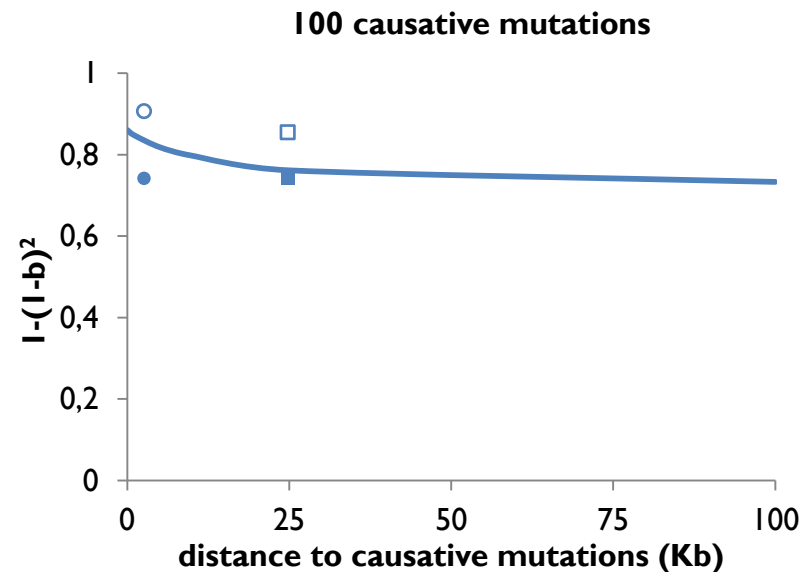
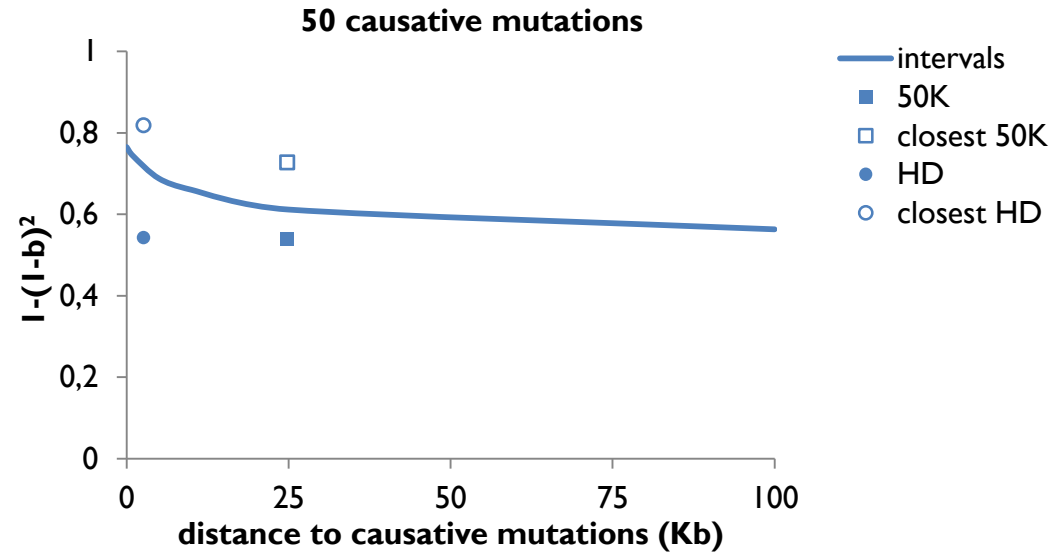
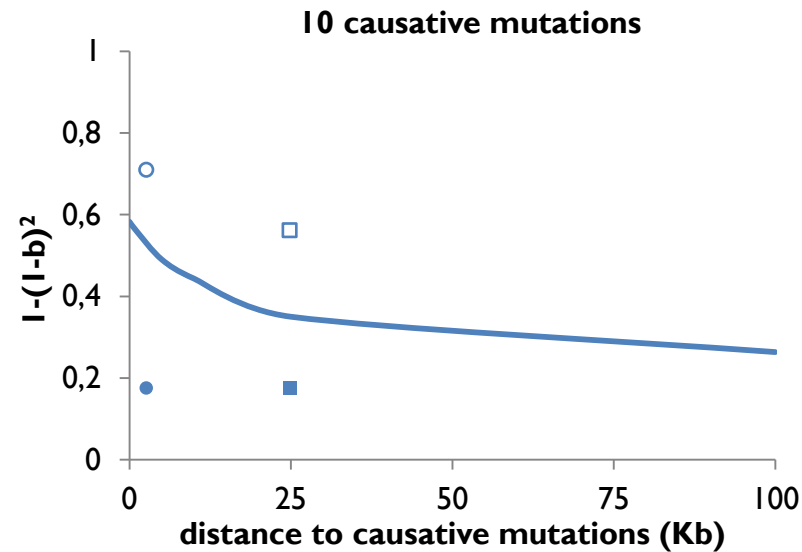


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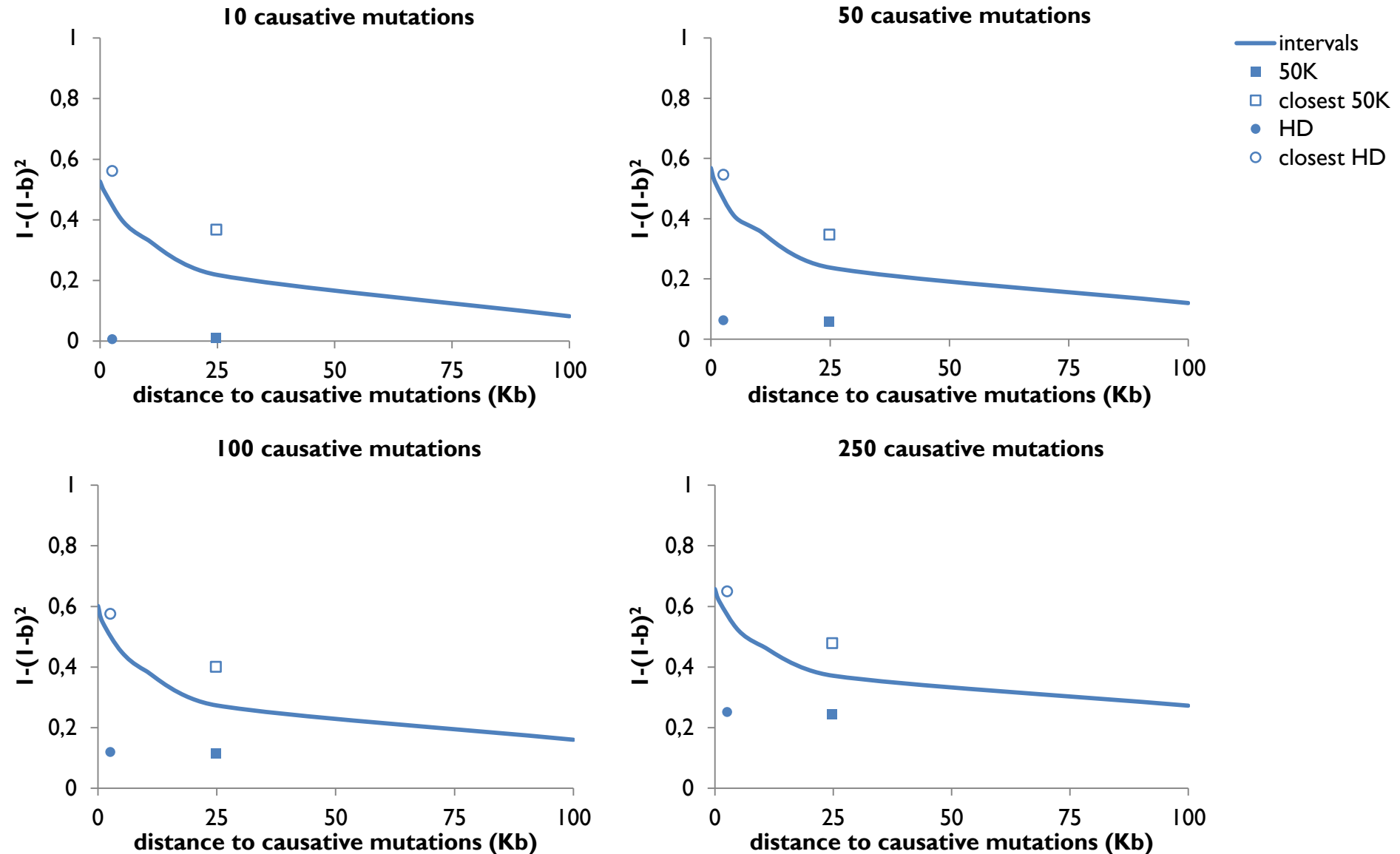


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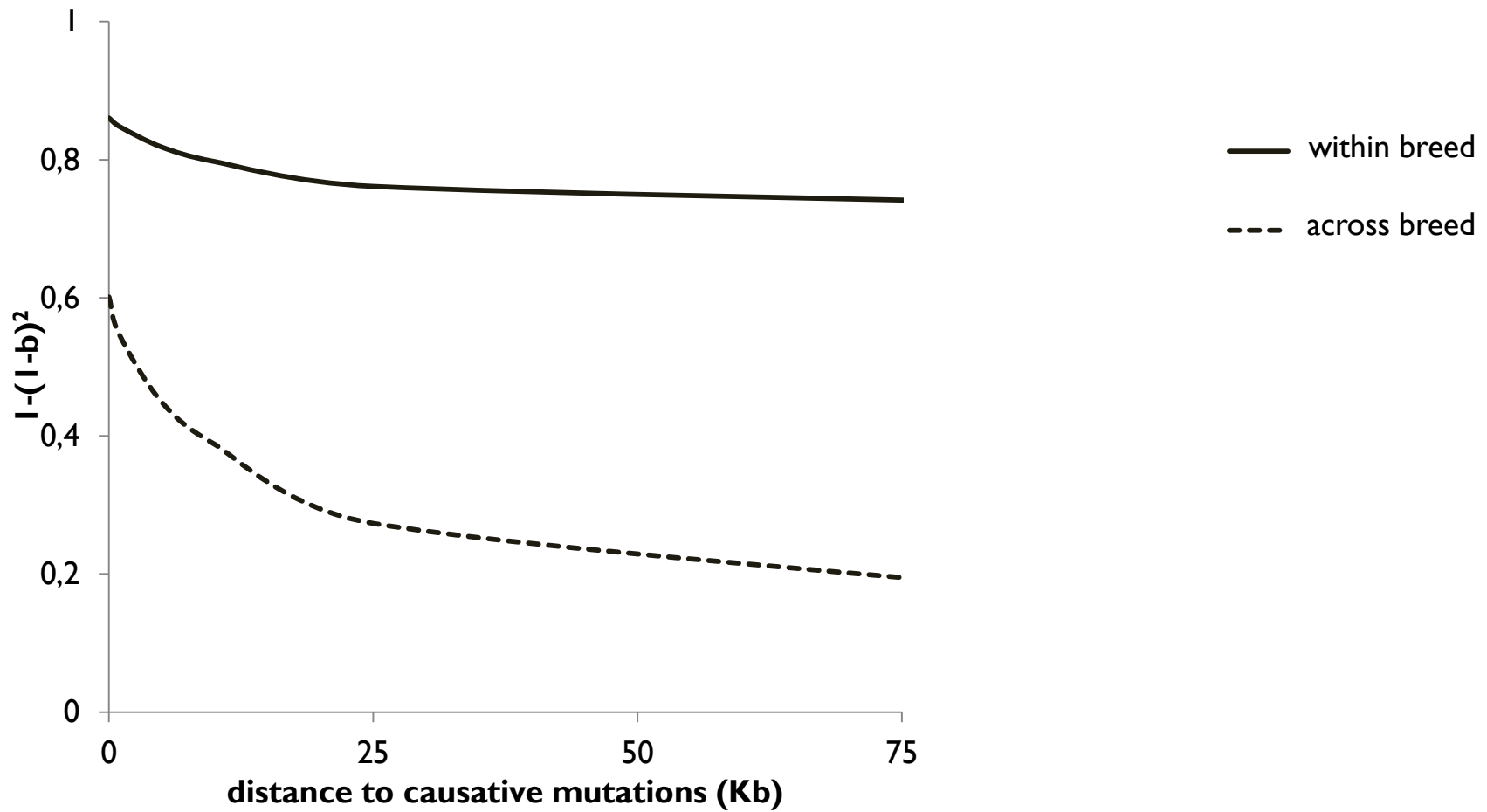


## Results – Number of mutations (across breed)



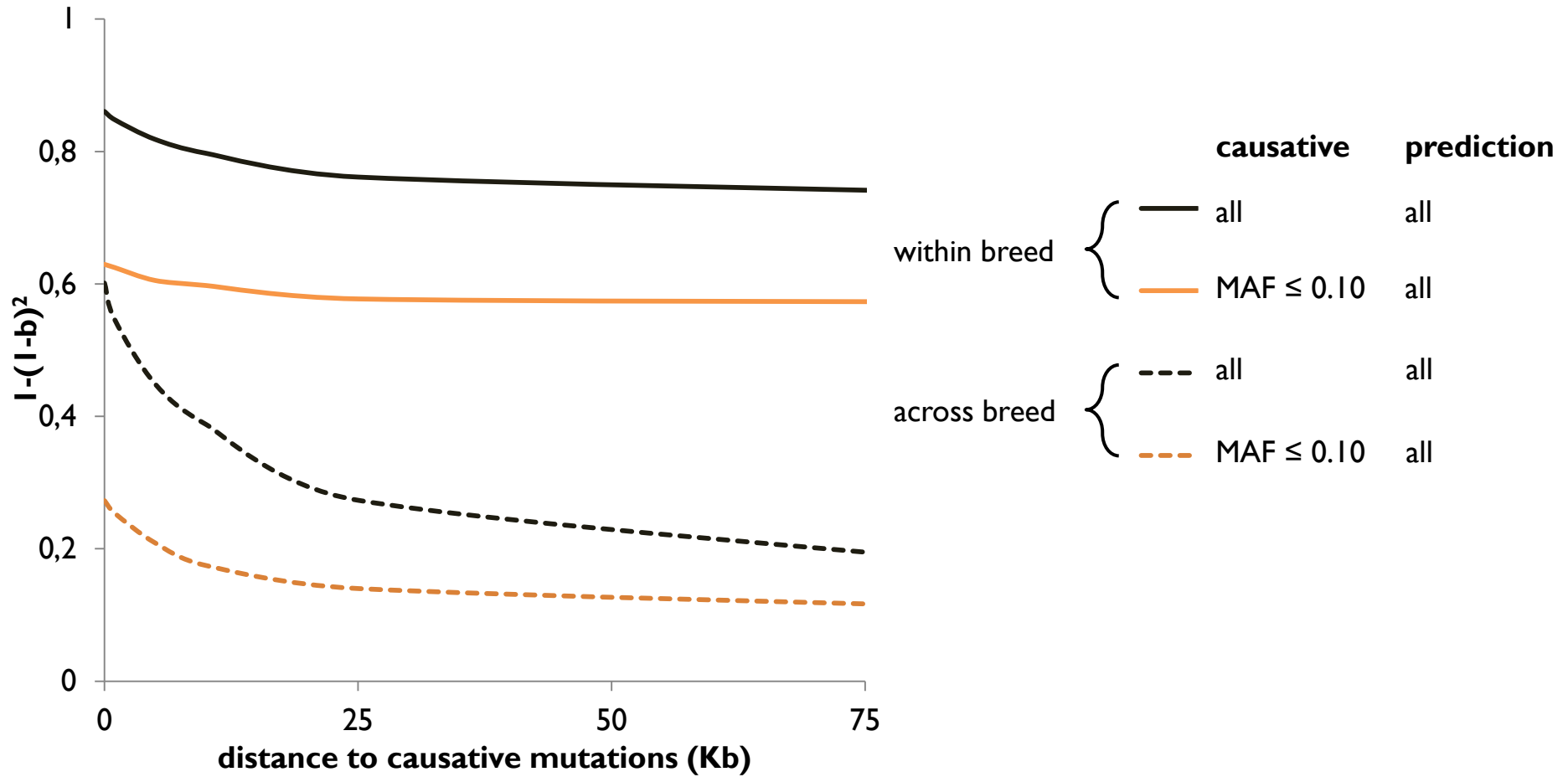


## Results – MAF (100 causative mutations)



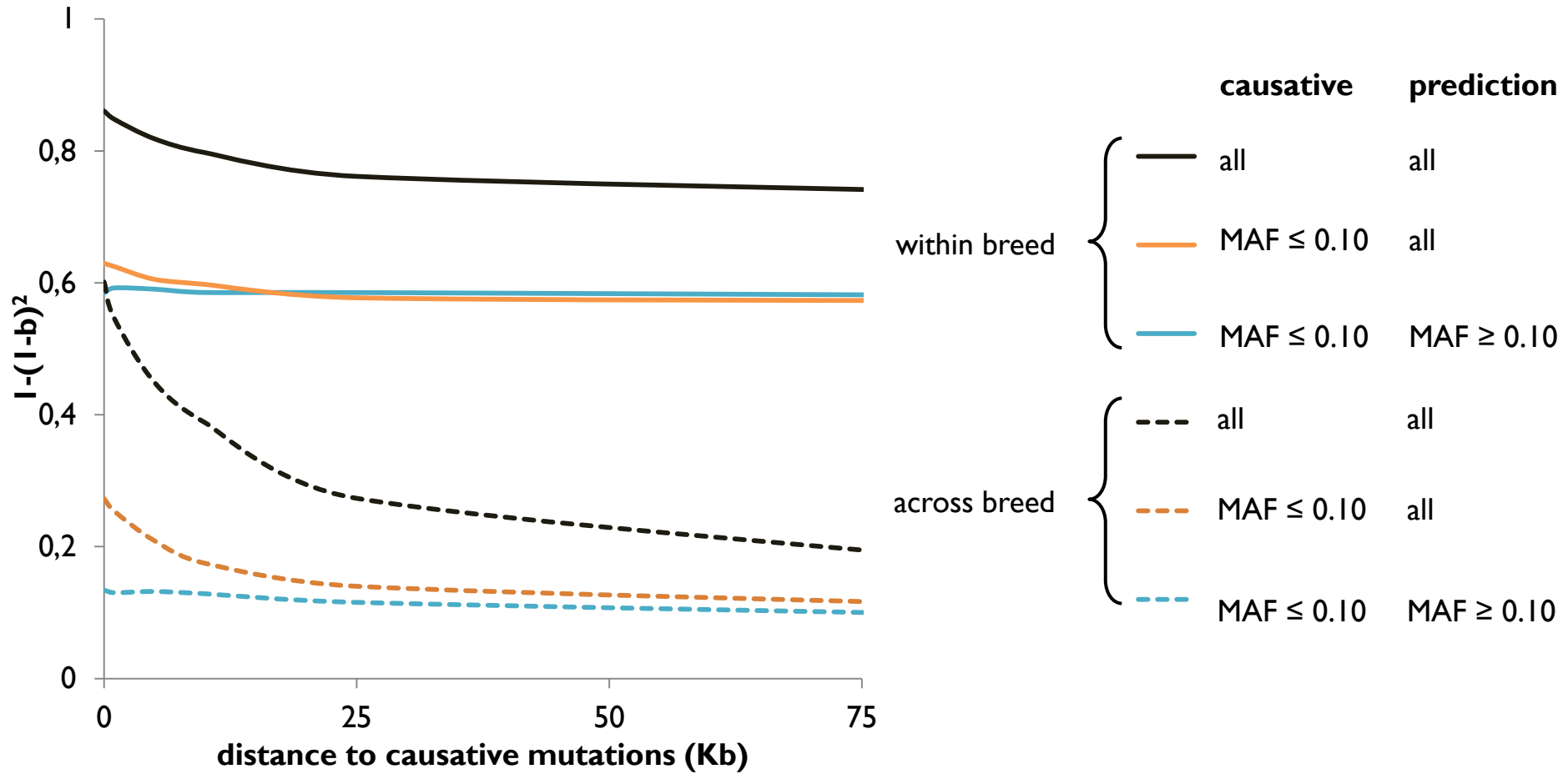


# Results – MAF (100 causative mutations)





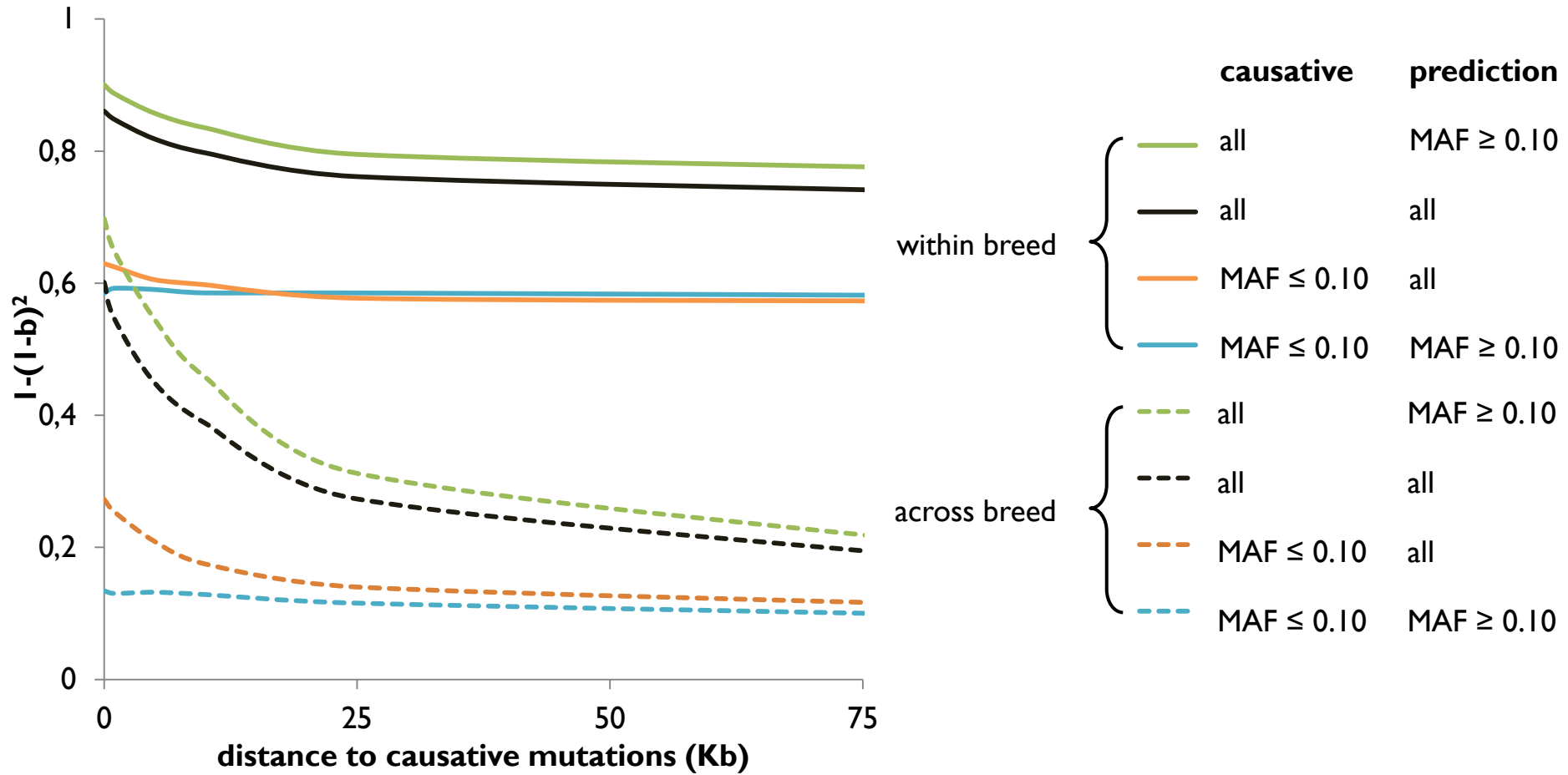
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# Conclusions

- Use of sequence data can improve prediction  $R^2$
- Not by increasing density, but by selecting the right variants
- Larger improvement across breed than within breed
- More improvement with lower number of causative mutations
- Inclusion of rare variants only improves prediction if they are (in high LD with) causative mutations