

Application of Genomic Selection in Wheat Breeding

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Breeding goal

- Favourable alleles of traits of interest in one elite variety
 - Yield
 - Disease resistance
 - Lodging resistance
 - ...
- Economic value of desired traits



Wheat breeding: developing inbred lines

P1xP2

F1



Non-segregating
generations

- Heterozygosity decreases by half every generation

F2



F3

Segregating
generations

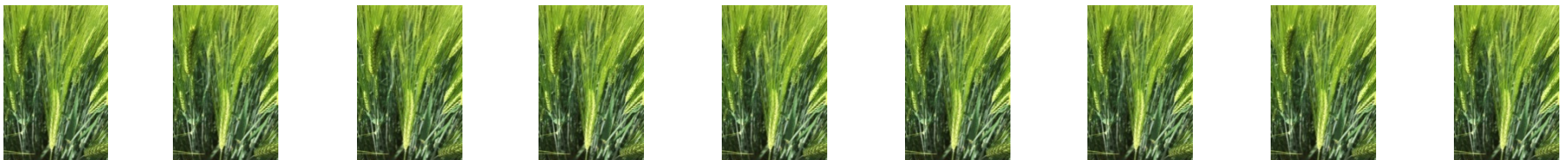
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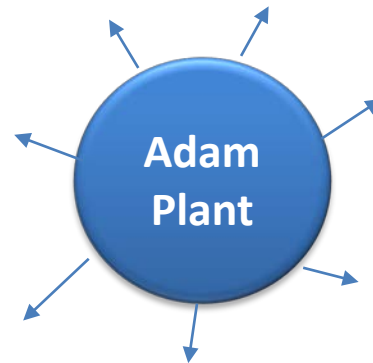
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AIM

- How much genetic gain can be increased by implementing genomic selection on conventional wheat breeding program
- Investigate how different level of correlation among traits can affect genetic gain



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- Finite-locus
- Infinite-locus
- Mixed-inheritance

Genetic
model

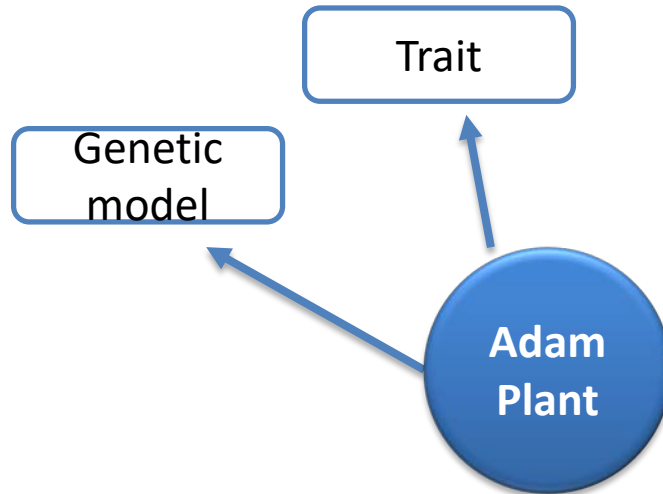
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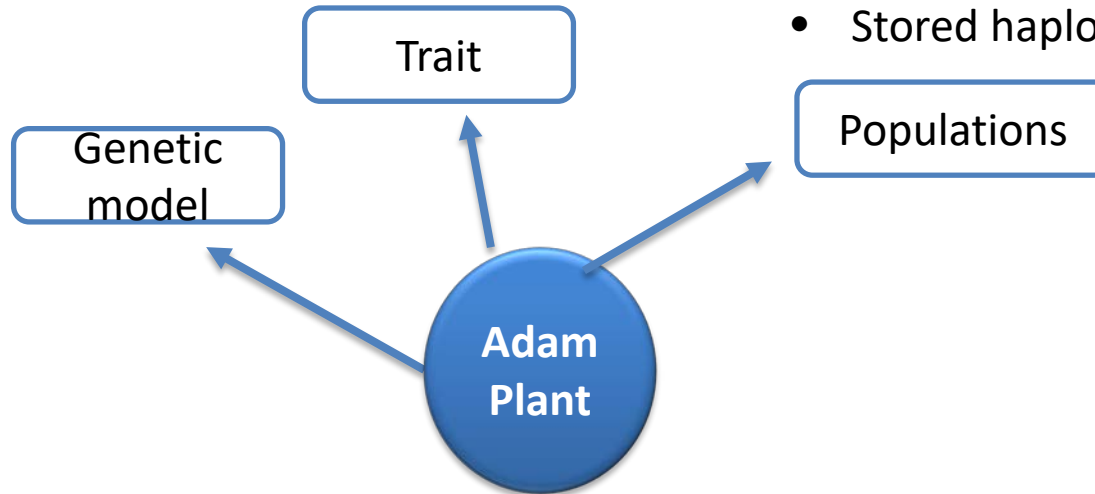
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- Heritability
- Distribution of QTL effects
- Correlated traits

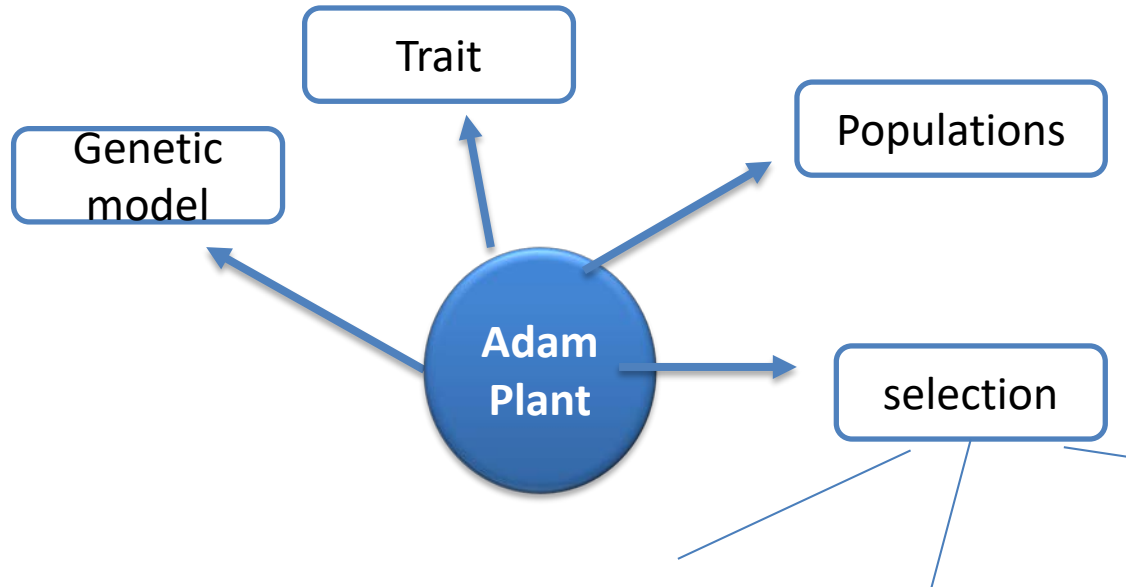


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- Species
- User-defined founders
- Stored haplotypes

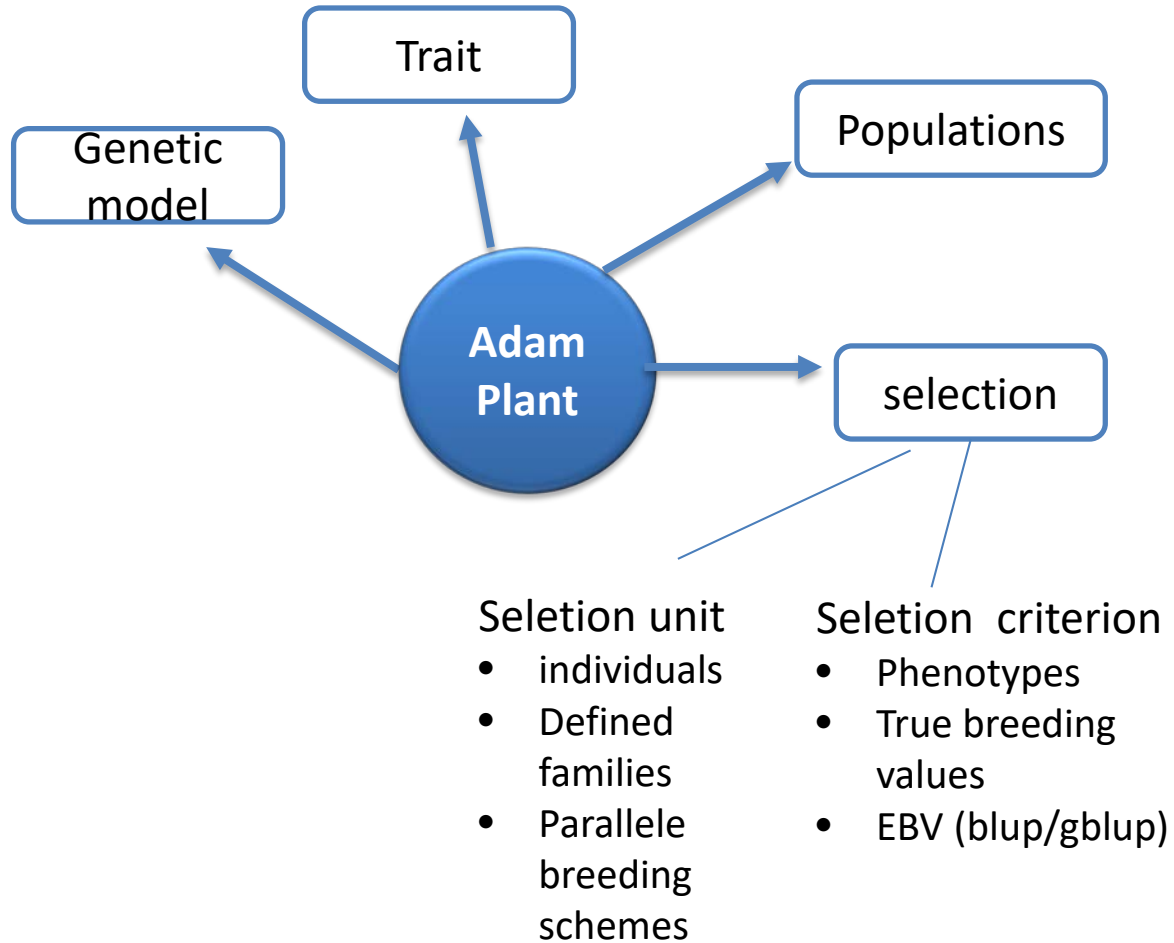
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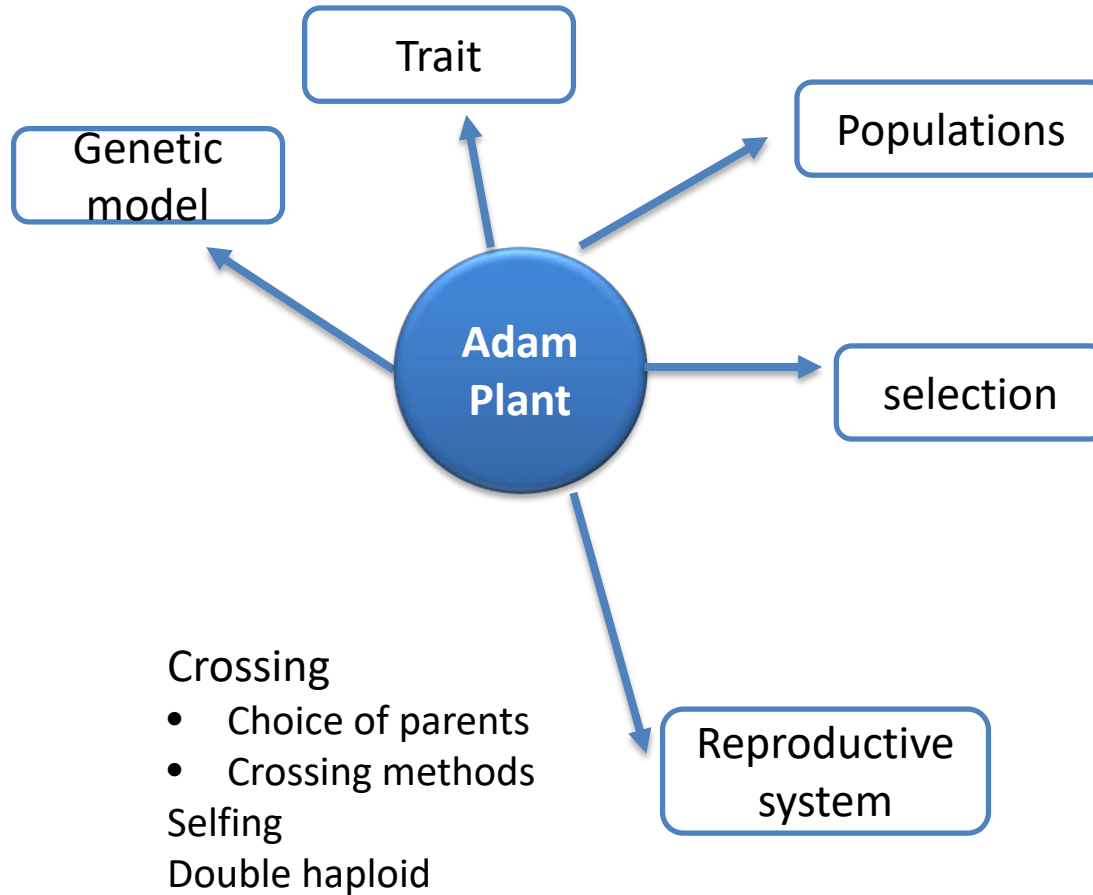
Selection unit

- individuals
- Defined families (plot)
- Parallel breeding schemes

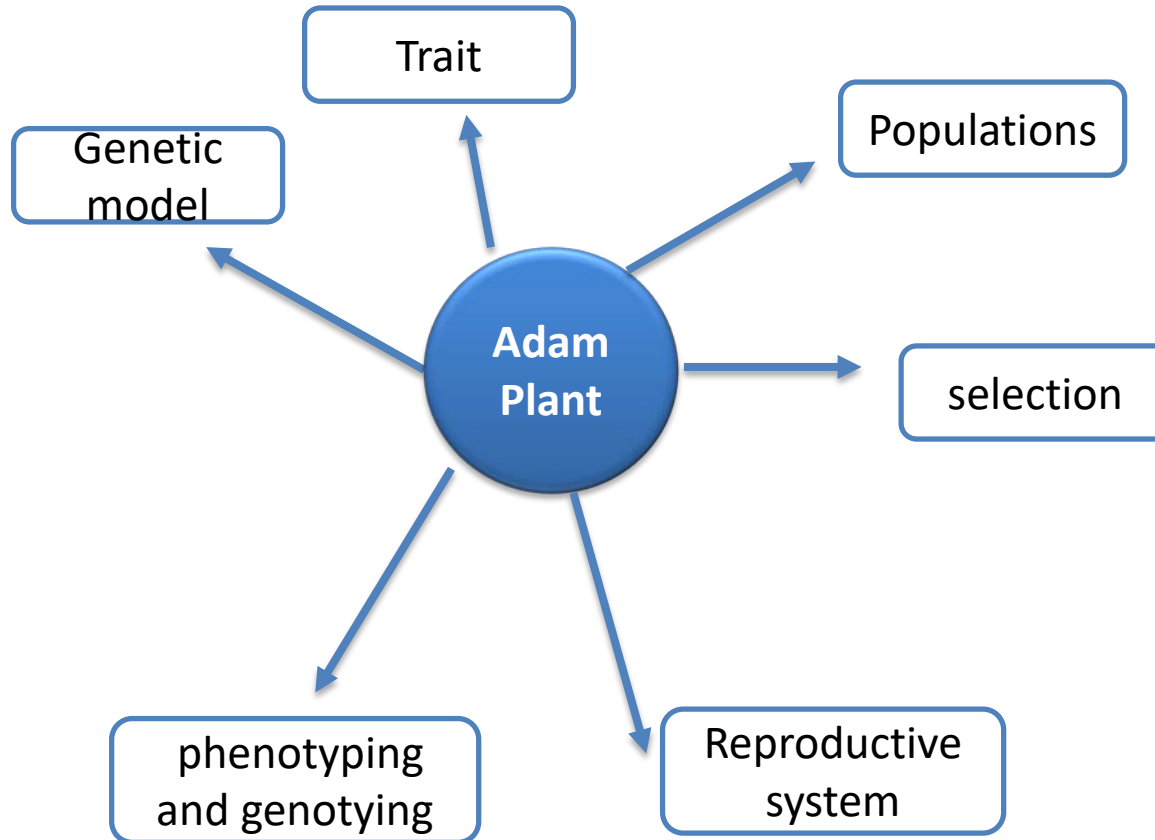
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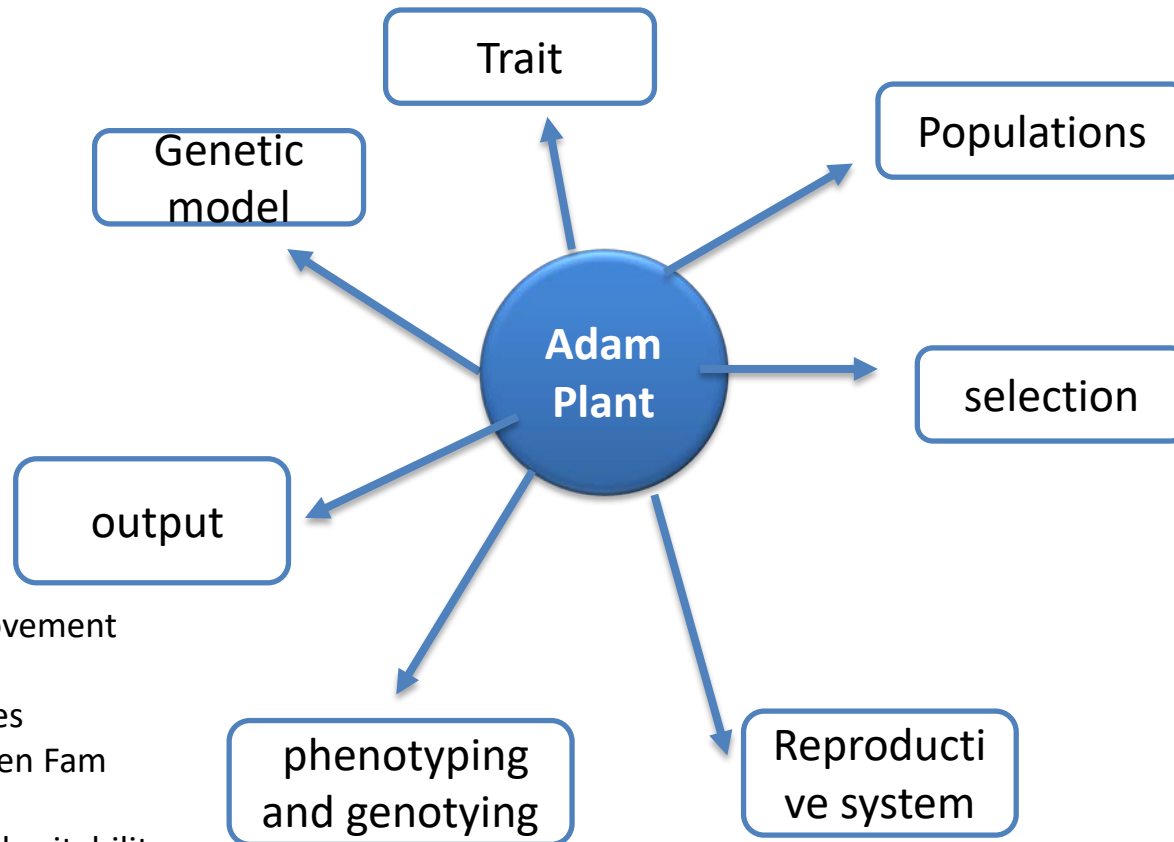
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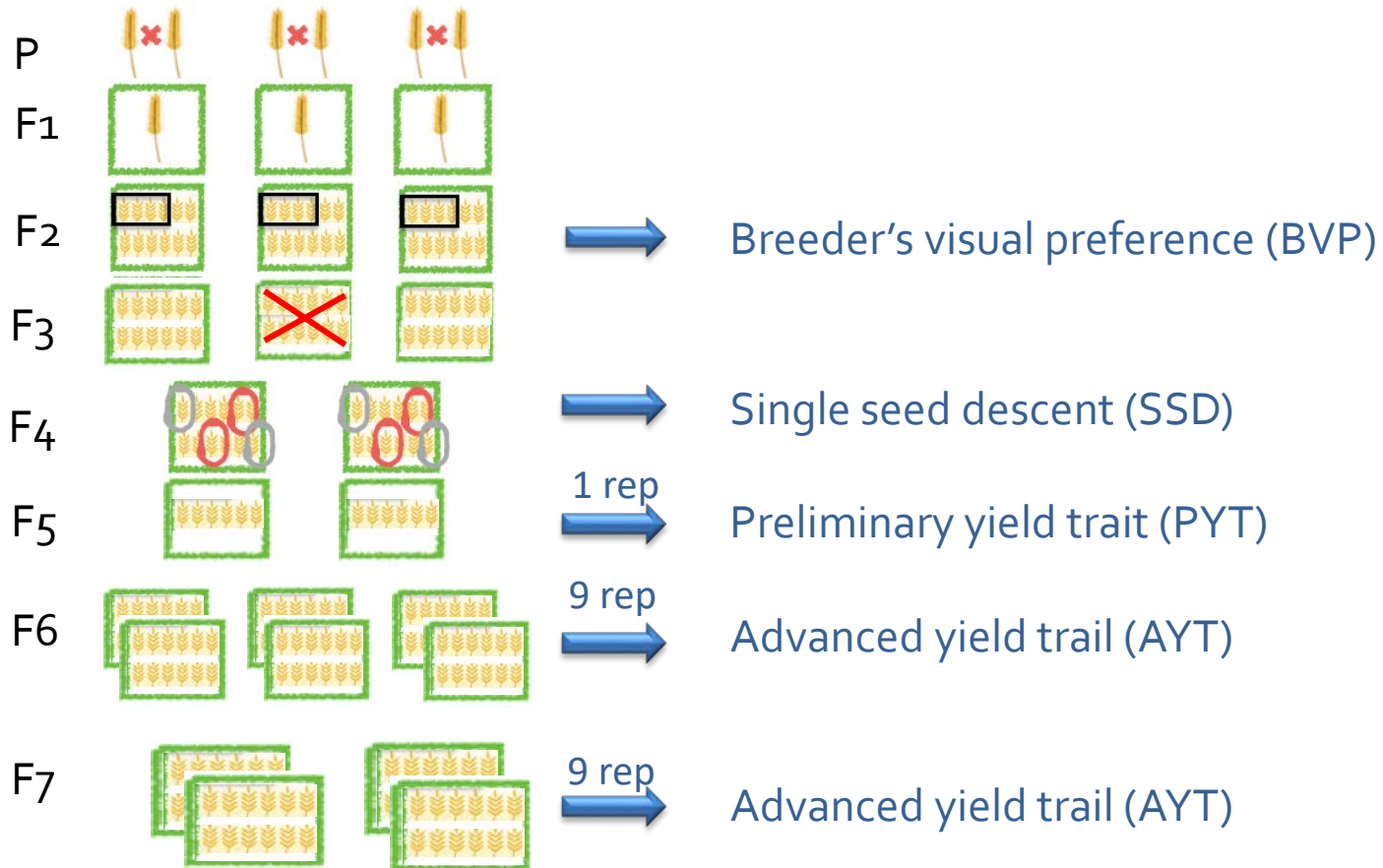


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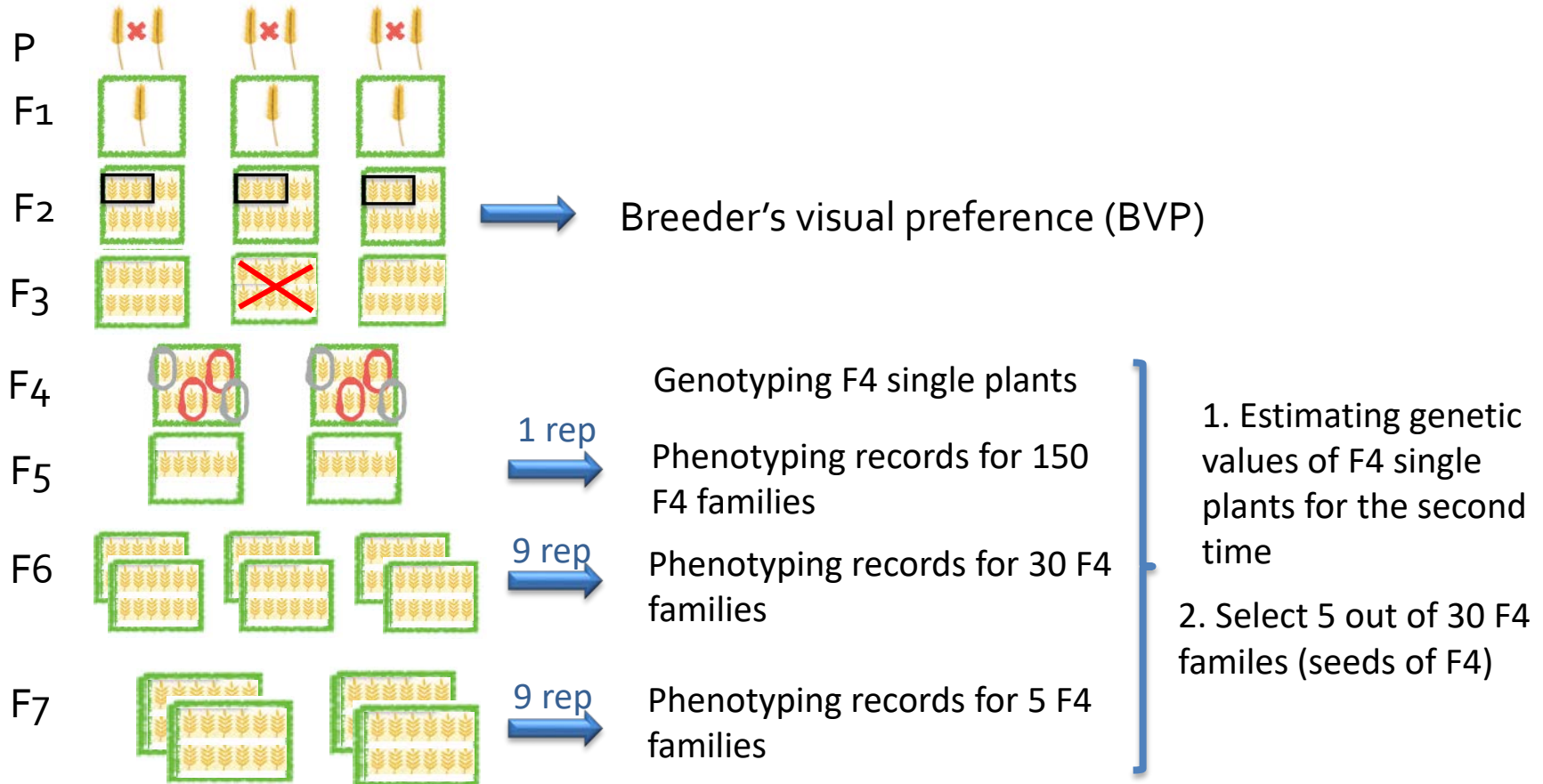


- Genetic improvement
- Inbreeding
- Homozygosities
- Within-between Fam variance
- plot & variety heritability
- Ancestral contributions
- ...

Conventional phenotypic selection



Genomic selection



Simulation parameters

- True breeding value (TBV) of traits
 - Summation of allelic effects of QTLs
- Phenotypes= TBV+ Error
- Plot heritability (h^2)
 - BVP (F_2)= 0.1
 - yield at PYT (F_5) = 0.2
 - yield at AYT (F_6)= 0.3

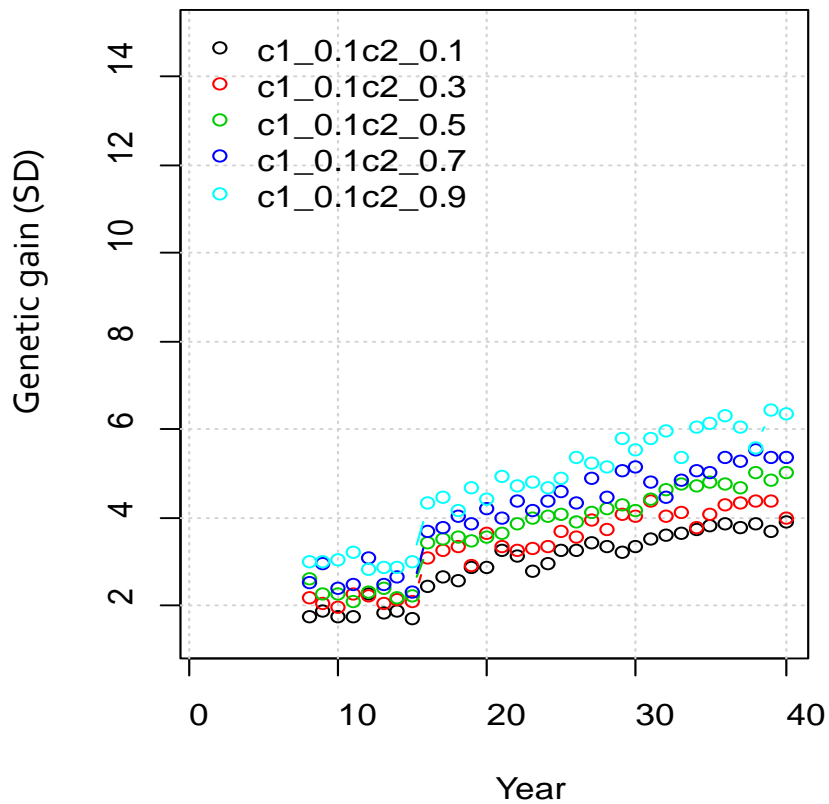
Breeding scenarios

- Selection method
 - Phenotypic
 - Genomic
- Genetic correlations
 - BVP with PYT and AYT = 0, 0.1
 - PYT and AYT = 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9
- Breeding scenarios
 - Phenotypic selection
 - 10 scenarios
 - Genomic selection
 - 10 scenarios

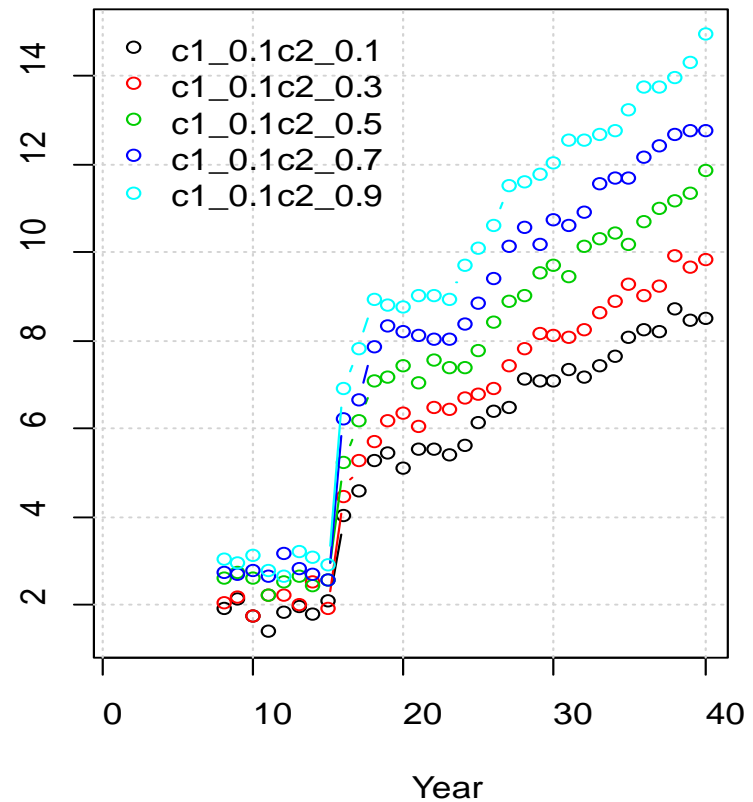
Genetic gain

BVP with $PYT \& AYT = 0.1$

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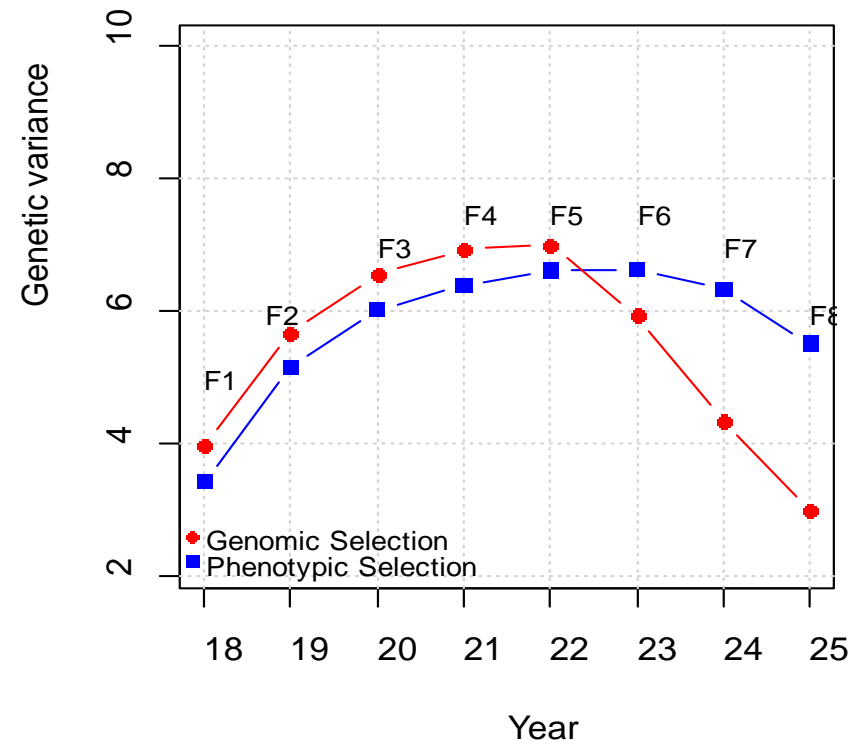
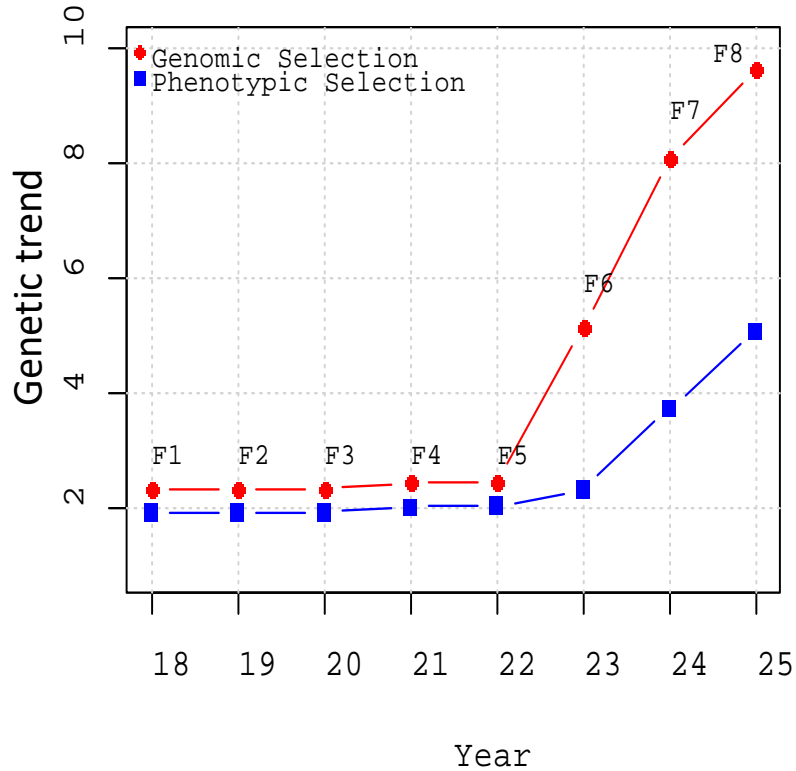
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Genetic gain and variance per cycle

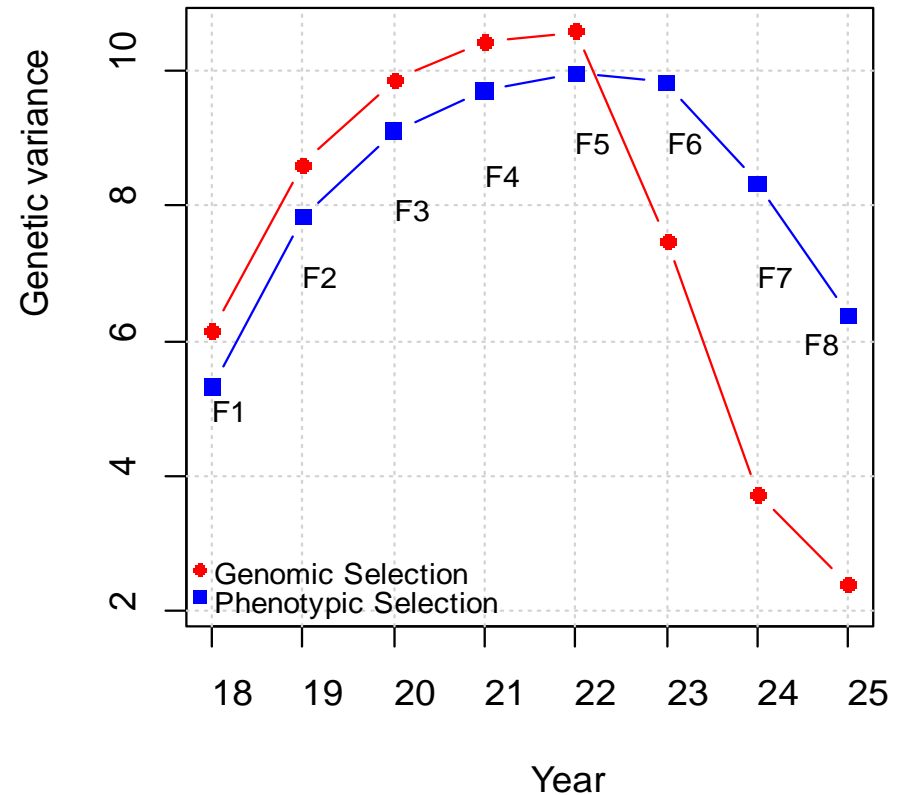
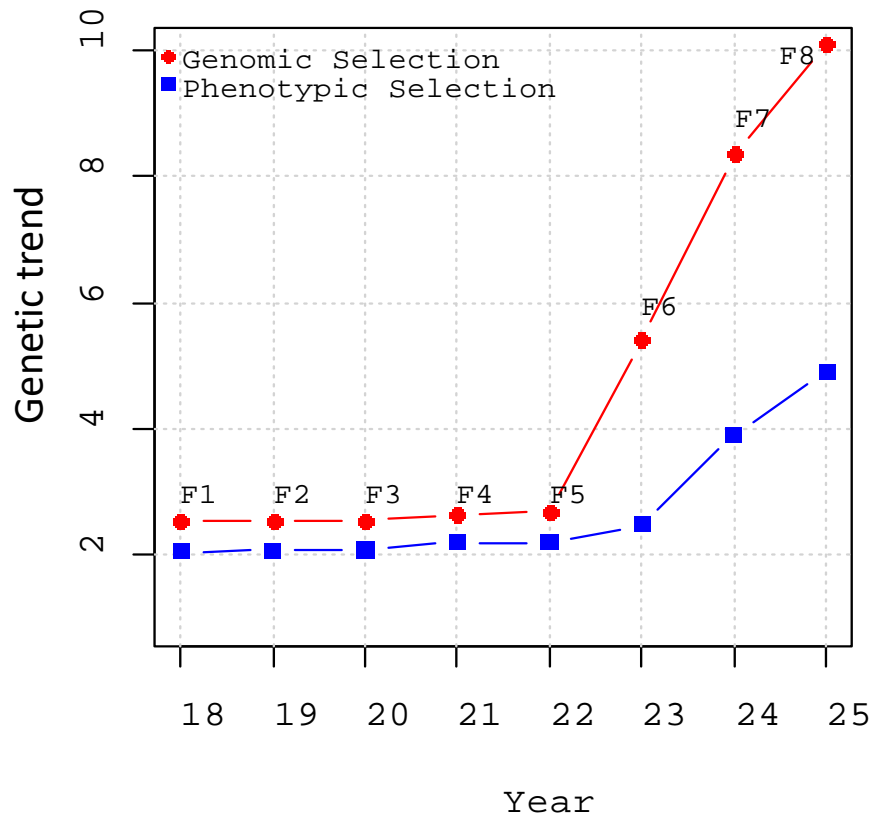
BVP with $PYT \& AYT = 0.1$

$PYT \& AYT = 0.1$



Genetic gain and variance per cycle

BVP with $PYT \& AYT = 0.1$
 $PYT \& AYT = 0.9$



Practical implications

- Genomic selection is a promising strategy to improve wheat breeding programs
- Genetic gain is doubled with genomic selection
- Higher increase in genetic gain is from F₅ to F₆

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