# Genetic architecture of traits using multi-locus Genome Wide Association (GWA) mapping with GEMMA

https://visoca.github.io/popgenomworkshop-gwas\_gemma

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## **GWAS MULTI-SNP MODELS**

## Linear Mixed Model (LMM)

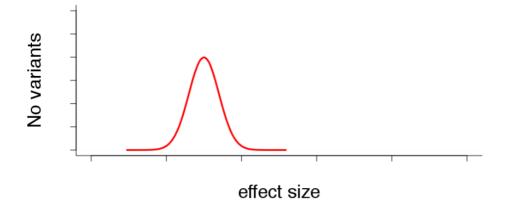
Assume polygenic basis: all variants affect the phenotype

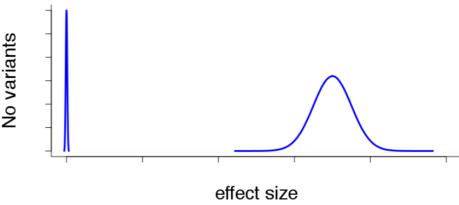
Effect sizes normally distributed

# Bayesian Variable Selection Regression model (BVSR)

Assume mono/oligogenic basis: a small proportion of variants affect the phenotype

Effect sizes as mixture of point mass at 0 and normal distribution





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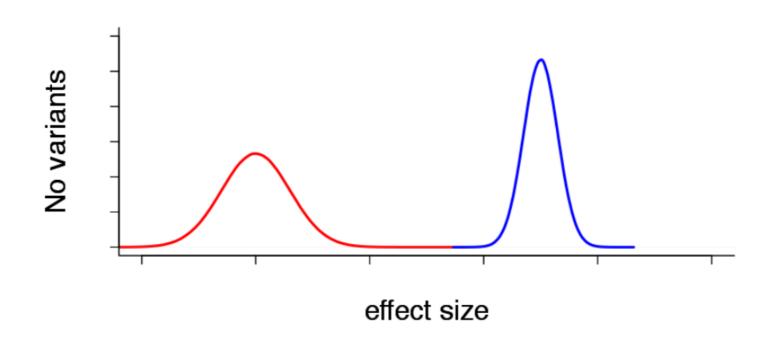
## Hybrid general model: Bayesian Sparse Linear Mixed Model (BSLMM)

Mixture of polygenic (LMM) and mono/oligogenic basis (BVSR)

Two distribution of effect sizes:

- 1) small effect size of all variants ( $\alpha$ )
- 2) additional large effect size of some variants ( $\beta$ )

effect size of a given variant =  $\alpha_i + \beta_i$ 



## **GEMMA**

### Genome-wide Efficient Mixed Model Association

#### Three models:

- Univariate Linear Mixed Model (LMM)
- Multivariate Linear Mixed Model (mvLMM)
- Bayesian-Sparse Linear Mixed Model (BSLMM)

#### Manual – read it!

www.xzlab.org/software/GEMMAmanual.pdf

#### **Publications**

- Xiang Zhou and Matthew Stephens (2012). Genome-wide efficient mixed-model analysis for association studies. Nature Genetics. 44: 821–824. http://goo.gl/pFb7Qy
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Also, BSLMM accounts for sample relatedness and population stratification

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