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Pedigree analysis in R

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Exercise set IV. Coefficients of relatedness

The packages **ribd** and **ibdsim2** are used in many of the following exercises, so we start by loading these. Note that each of these automatically loads **pedtools** as well.

library(ribd)
library(ibdsim2)

Exercise IV-1

Plot each relationship in R and use kinship() to compute the kinship coefficient.

- a) Half siblings.
- b) First cousins once removed.

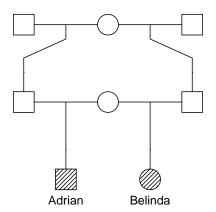
Exercise IV-2

In a case of incest a man had a child by his own granddaughter.

- a) Plot the pedigree in R.
- b) Compute the inbreeding coefficient of the child.

Exercise IV-3

Consider the relationship between Adrian and Belinda:



- a) Describe the relationship.
- b) Create and plot the pedigree in R. (Hint: x = halfSibStack(2).)
- c) Compute the kinship coefficient between Adrian and Belinda.
- d) Compute the IBD coefficients $(\kappa_0, \kappa_1, \kappa_2)$ of the relationship.
- e) Plot the corresponding point in the IBD triangle.

Exercise IV-4 (Realised inbreeding)

a) Use the following code to estimate the distribution of the realised inbreeding coefficient in a child of uncle–niece parents.

```
x = cousinPed(deg = 0, removal = 1, child = TRUE)
sims = ibdsim(x, N = 500, ids = 7)
real = realisedInbreeding(sims)
hist(real$perSimulation$fReal)
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Comment on the result.

b) Make a similar histogram for the number of autozygous segments. (Hint: Inspect the structure of real\$perSimulation.)

Exercise IV-5 (Zero IBD)

Suppose that you are a 10th generation, male-line descendant of Napoleon Bonaparte.

a) What is the probability that none of your (autosomal) DNA originates from Napoleon? Use the following code to give a realistic estimate:

```
x = linearPed(10)
sims = ibdsim(x, N = 500, ids = c(1, 21))
zeroIBD(sims)
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Comment on the result.

b) Repeat the analysis for a female line of 10 generations.

Exercise IV-6 (Bonus exercise if you have time: Double second cousins)

- a) Use kappaIBD() to compute the IBD coefficients of double second cousins.
 (Hint: x = doubleCousins(2, 2).)
- b) Plot the corresponding point in the IBD triangle.
- c) Prove that the point lies on the border of the inadmissible region. (Hint: Show that $\kappa_1^2 = 4\kappa_0\kappa_2$.)