



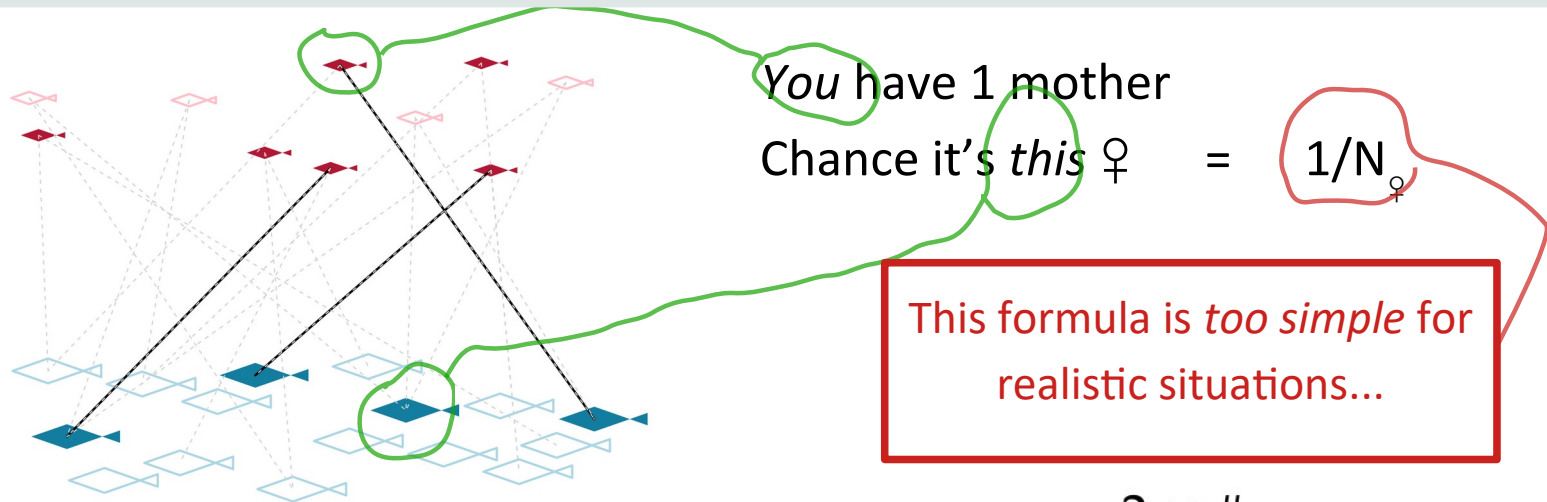
# CKMR: models and designs for fisheries and bycatch

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(MOP or FOP)

Also: Half-Sibling Pair, HSP

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You have 1 mother

Chance it's *this* ♀ =  $1/N_{\text{♀}}$

Check genetics...

... repeat for all pairs in sample

... estimate adult ♀ abundance!

... ditto for ♂ adults

This formula is too simple for realistic situations, but can be adjusted  
eg time, age, size, mortality

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# CKMR models/designs: fisheries 2021

## 1. Intro

- ideas / projects / history
- kinship probs and mind-check
- putting them together--- “The Framework”
- sample size & scope

## 2. Realistic POP examples--- mammal

- can we break it?
- different sampling issues

## 3. Super-simple POPs

## 4. HSP examples--- mammal-like sharks

- genetics in a nutshell

## 5. Fish time! POPs + HSPs

- what does CKMR *really* tell us?

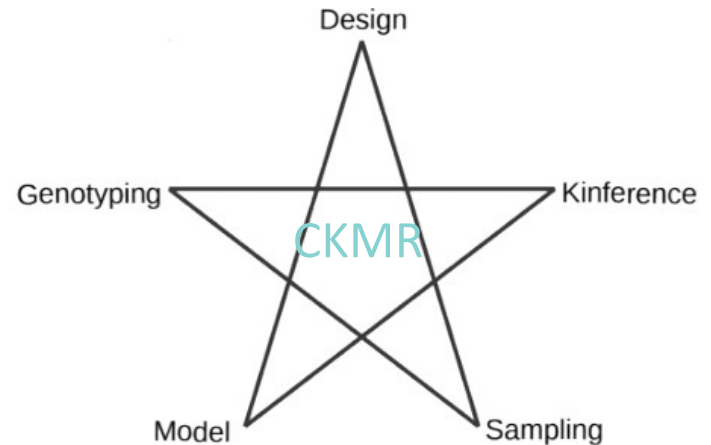
## 6. Spatial stuff

## 7. Design

By the end, you should...

# CKMR is a 4-letter word...

easy



MAGICAL  
RESULTS ...

come from  
CAREFUL  
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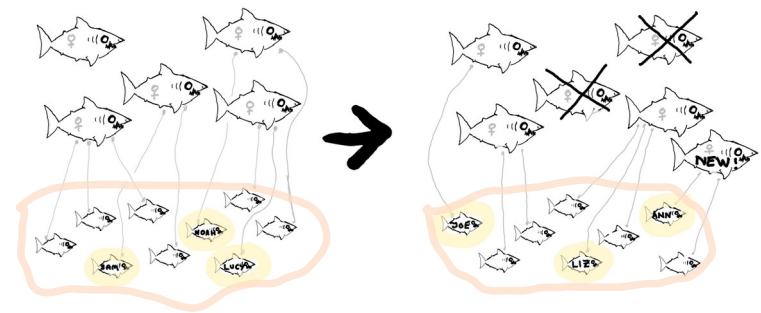
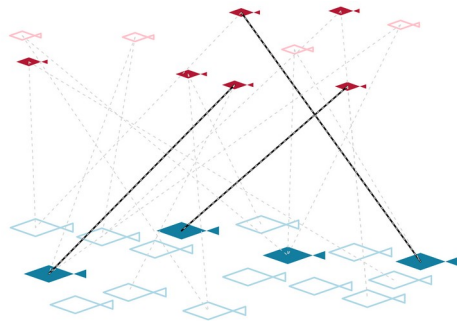
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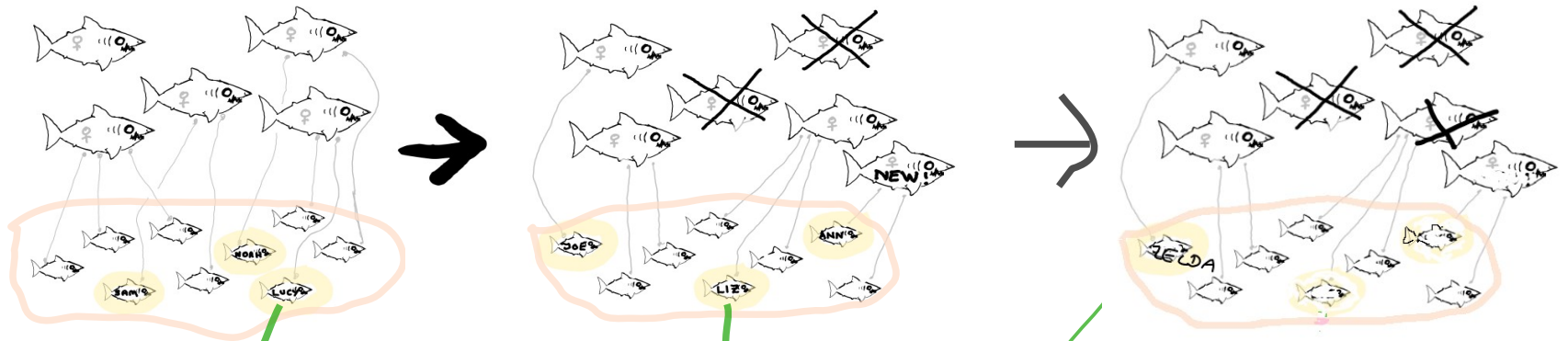
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# HSPs: abundance\* and mortality\* info



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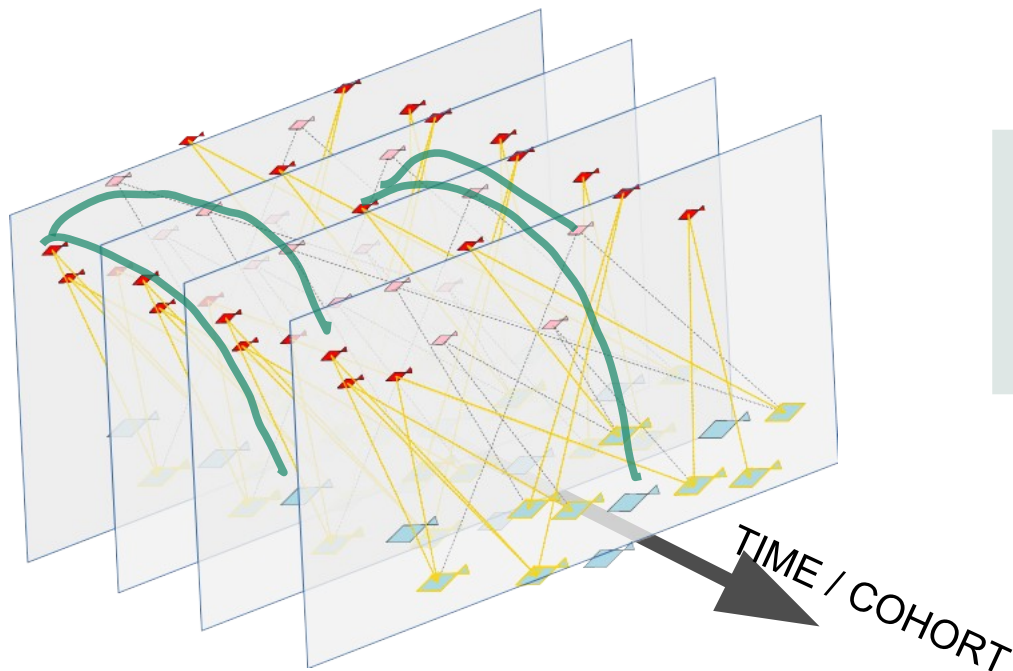
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- Lots of comparisons
- Different prob formulae
- More parameters than just “N”

Don't *have* to use *all* possible types of comparison



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Two assumptions:

1. At birth, everything had 1 living mother and 1 living father
2. Reliably find *Parent-Offspring-Pairs* and *Half-Sibling-Pairs* with genetics

The rest is just *planning; logistics; maths; and a lot of FOR-loops*

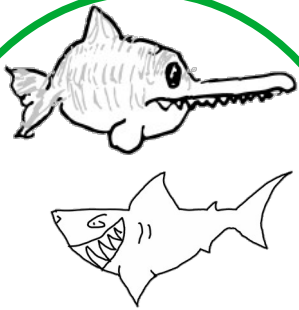
*Absolute* abundance --- and almost *entire* stock assessment for adults ---  
just from biopsying a few % of catch  
- no \$urvey\$, no CPUE, no live-relea\$, no dodgy assumptions...

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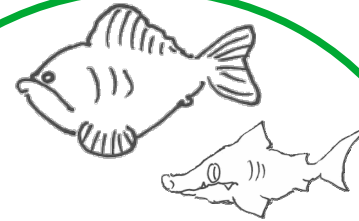
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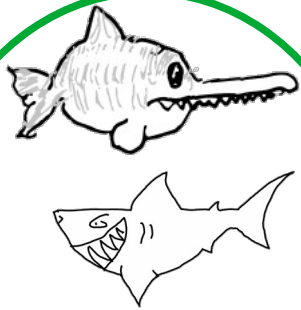
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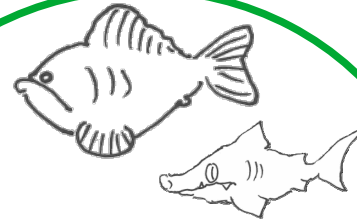
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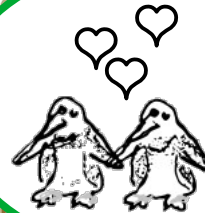
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ETC ... ETC ....

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That is NONSENSE! The basic assumptions are:

- everything had 1 mother and 1 father at birth;
- genetics lets you find POPs and HSPs

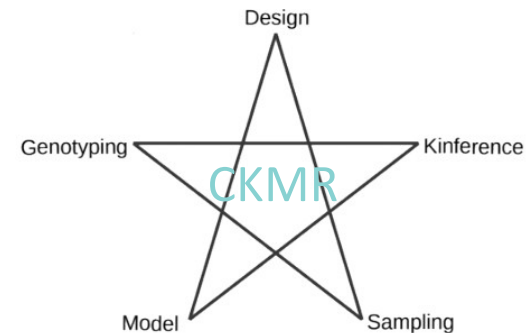
The rest follows by ironclad laws of mathematics...

That said:

*of course people could completely stuff up  
any particular CKMR study*

So: *check* each study carefully!      can't “validate” directly-- against what???

But that has nothing to do with “validating CKMR” in general



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No it doesn’t! CKMR is fairly flexible.

EG ideally you *don’t* want to sample spawning grounds...

you *don’t* absolutely need adults-*and*-juves well-mixed tho’ it is best

you *do* need POPs and HSPs **for fish but not necessarily sharks**

- we had to use a special trick in SBT mk I POPs-only...
- ... which won’t work in other species...
- ... and turned out not to be fully valid ...
- ... when we did mk II POPs+HSPs. But it’s all good now !



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Of course it won't work! *You're not meant to use  $2/N$  for real...*

CKMR theory tells you how to adapt the idea for real situations. Need a qualitative understanding of the biology and sampling, plus (a bit of) maths.

So, do that instead !!! And then you will *avoid bias*.

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**“It's expensive...”**

It is NOT\* ! You sample a *tiny fraction* of the catch that happens anyway; each one is cheap to genotype (<\$ ████).

Much cheaper than dedicated surveys or normal MR if those even apply  
Sure--- CPUE is free. Super! You totally get what you pay for there.  
Plus, co\$t of mi\$management due to mi\$leading conventional data.

May be uneconomic for small pop'ns of low-unit-value short-lived spp.

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This one is **not** a myth! If you blunder into CKMR without a clear plan and without the right team, *things will end badly*. So: don't do that!

# "DNAge" (methylation-based epigenetic ageing)

To date, **worst** problems are from **lousy age and/or length** data

- DNAge devel ongoing at CSIRO and elsewhere
  - prelim results 4 spp: from decent to amazing !
  - *relative* errors, ie better for younger
- **Cheap!** Under \$■ per sample and low setup cost
- A(nother) game-changer and useful beyond CKMR
- Needs calibration per species, then
- All you'll need: a quick jab and a length measurement



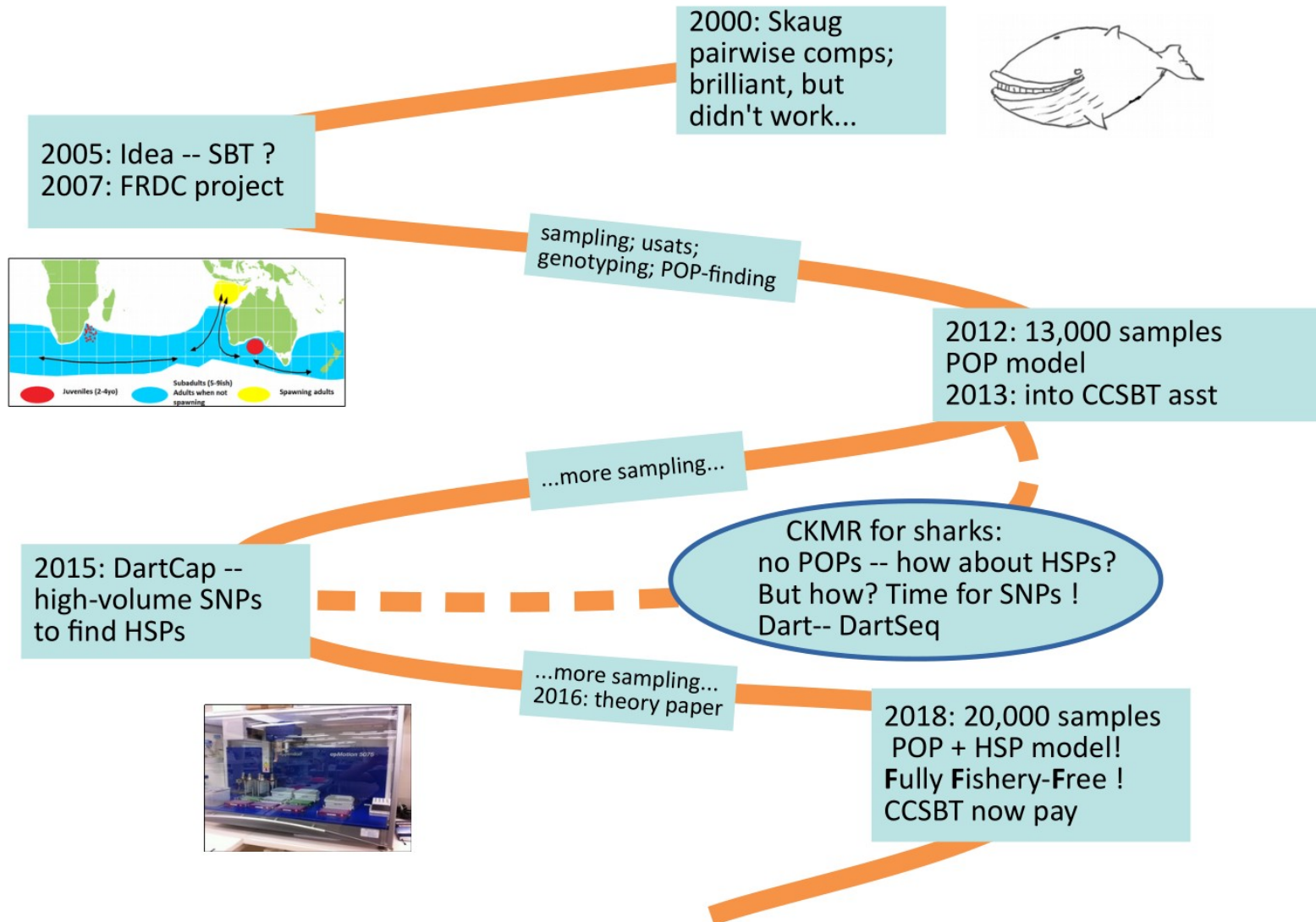
... NB "starting" is not the same as "succeeding" ...

Species		Source	Geno	Motive	POP	HSP	Model	"Stocks"?	$N_{\text{adult}}$	#Samples
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	2	D	Cap		✓	✓				20,000
School Shark		D	Cap	\$ (choke)	(—)	✓	"	—	■00,000	3,000
White Sh.	E	Live+D	Seq	!	—	✓	$N, z, \rho$	—	■00	200
	W	L+D	Seq		(—)	✓		—	■000	200
Grey Nurse Sh.		L+D	Seq	!	✓	✓	Stable-age	—	■000	400
Speartooth Sh.		L	Cap	!?	—	✓	$N, z, \rho$	(✓)	■000	300
Different speartooth Sh.		L	Seq	!?	—	✓	$N, z, \rho$	(✓)	■000	300





# A long and winding road...



# A(nother) bit of history

1990s: Norway establishes DNA register of commercial minke whale catch

Schweder: Aha-- CK for abundance!

2001: Skaug publishes one method on Norway minkes

- right idea, wrong example, too early !
- genotypes inadequate, model not general enough
- and Nilssen notes in passing (but needs triads)

2005: CSIRO starts SBT CKMR

Rawding et al 2014:  
“Transgenerational MR”  
(semelparous)

2011-13: ... starts other T<sub>(hreatened)</sub> EPS projects

2013: General demography framework (MVB & HJSkaug)

2017-18: framework for design

Other work to date: some stock structure

*Individual* MR (gene-tagging) now fairly common



# What you can get from CKMR ...

*Biopsies from juves and adults eg from landings plus some size/age info:*

**absolute abundance** of adults

relative **fecundity-at-size** ♀ and ♂

*And if you also know catch-at-age, and have growth curve*

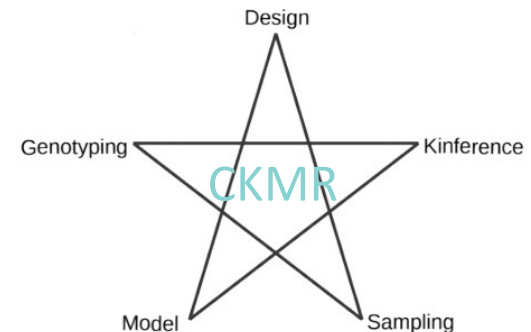
**natural mortality** averaged across adults

*And*

**connectivity** on management timescale (1 generation)

*Provided that...*

**you do everything properly :)**



Thus endeth the kinspiel...

... time to buckle up!

# ERRO: the key to it all

Expected **R**elative **R**eproductive **O**utput

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LEXIGRAM GOES HERE...

$b$ : **b**irth-year

$y$ : when **y**anked from the sea

$a$ : **a**ge (usually at  $y$ )

$t$ : **t**ime in general

# Factors to always *consider* for ERRO

TIME

SEX of “adult”

AGE of “juve”

-----

AGE and maybe SIZE of “adult”

PLACE

QUIRKS

“adult”: *potential parent*  
(seen in POP, unseen in HSP)

“juve”: *potential offspring*  
(in POP or in HSP)

*“I didn’t measure it”* **doesn’t** imply that *“it doesn’t matter”*

... see Examples!

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... breaks down if F & L in *same* cohort

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- "not measured" does *not* imply "I can ignore it" !
- heritable or non-heritable
- "Stuff" includes: fact of sampledness, and circumstances

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OK, as long as there's no missing property of "Marys" that leads to correlated ERROs of F-likes and L-likes

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$$\text{LGLK}+ = \begin{cases} \log p_{\text{Mary,Simon are xxP}} & \text{M\&S really are xxP} \\ \log 1 - p & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

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# “The Framework”

$p \sim O(1/N)$

Binomial with tiny  $p$  = Poisson

Poissons add up, to give Poisson

```
lglk <- function( params) {  
  # data prep already done & known about here...  
  unpack(); # split and de-transform parameters  
  popdyn();  
  calc_pure_kinprobs(); # true kins, ideal covars eg true age  
  calc_obs_kinprobs(); # distinguishable kins, available covars  
  L := 0;  
  for( K in distinct_kintypes) {  
    L += sum( log_dpoisson( nkins[[K]], mean=ncomps[[K]]*kinprobs[[K]] ));  
  };  
  L += posthoc_pairs(); # extra info on known kinpairs, eg mtDNA  
  L += other_lglks(); # age-at-length; etc; priors; CPUEeeeuggggh...  
  return( L)  
}
```