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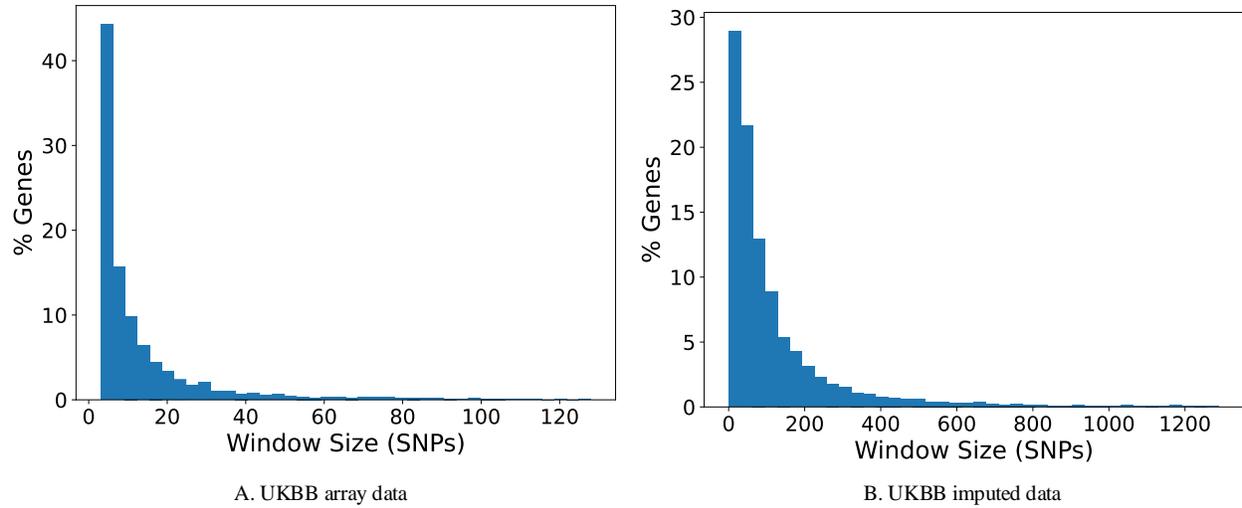


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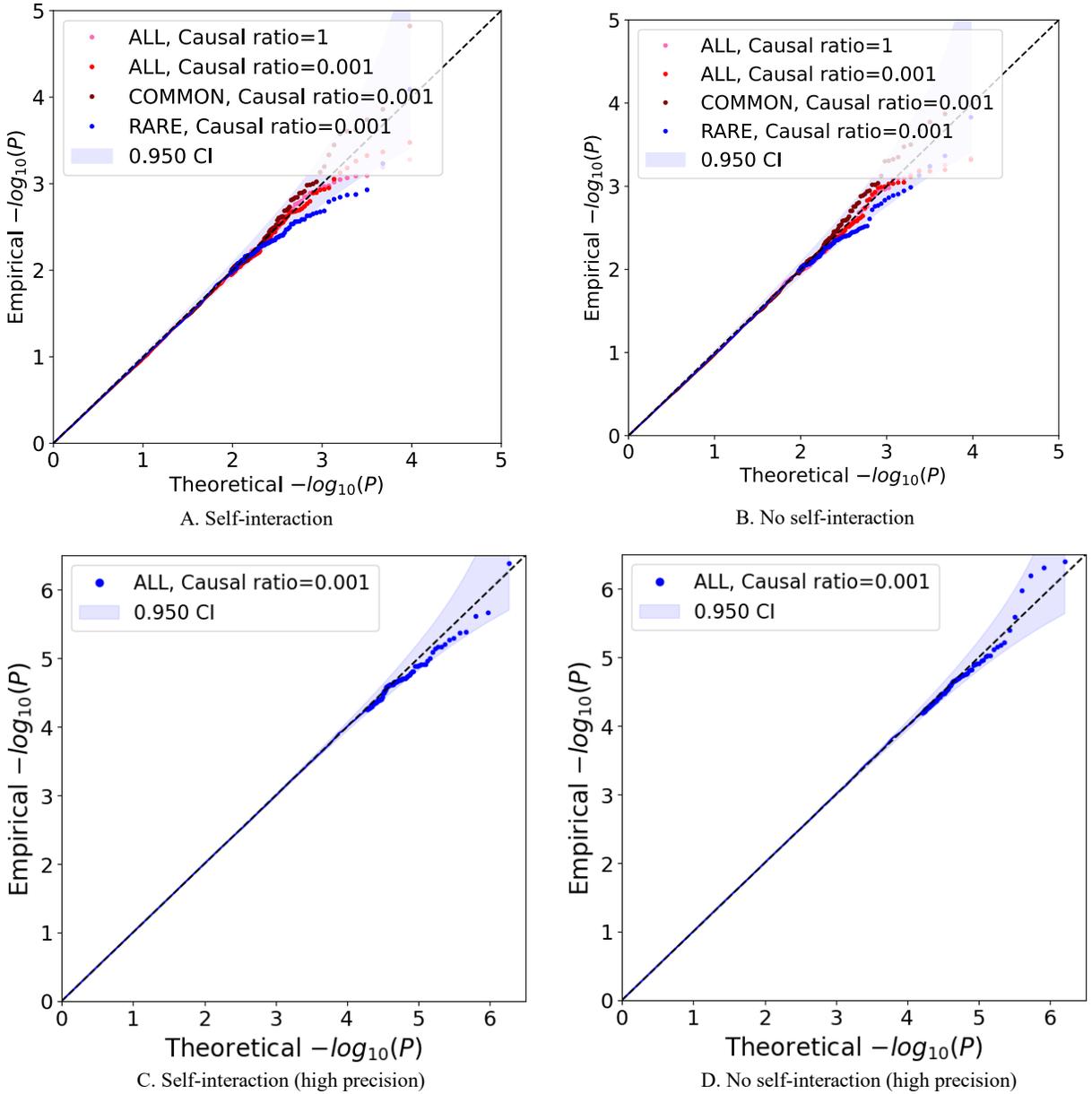


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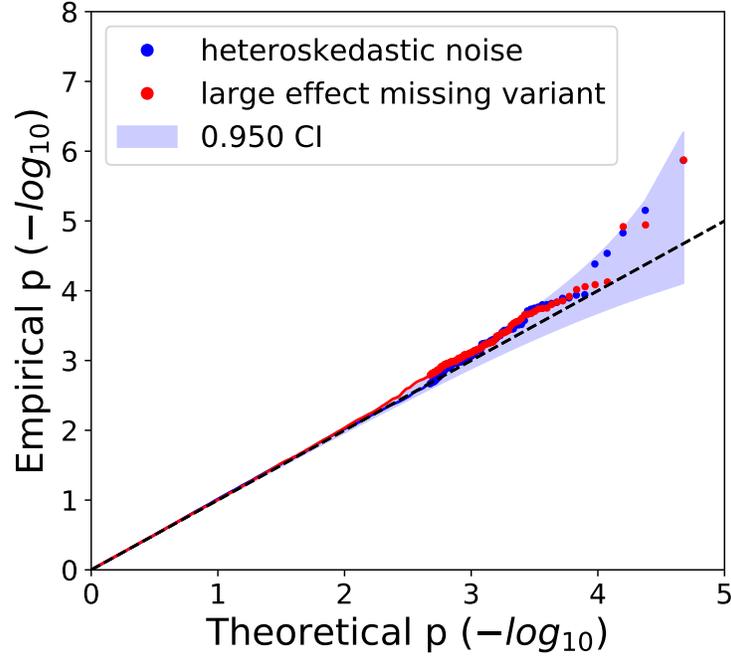


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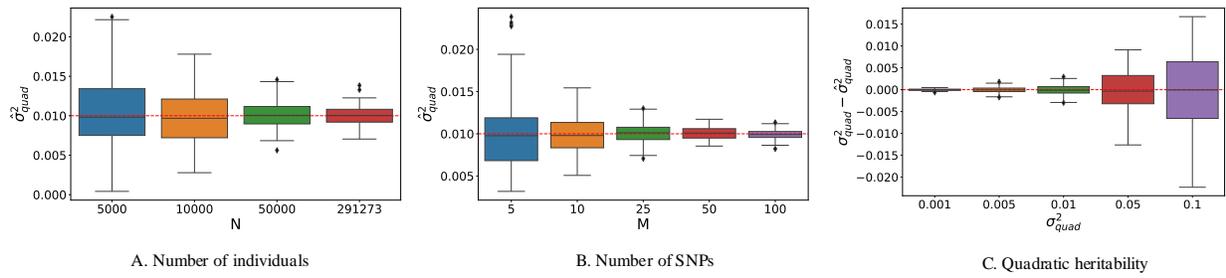


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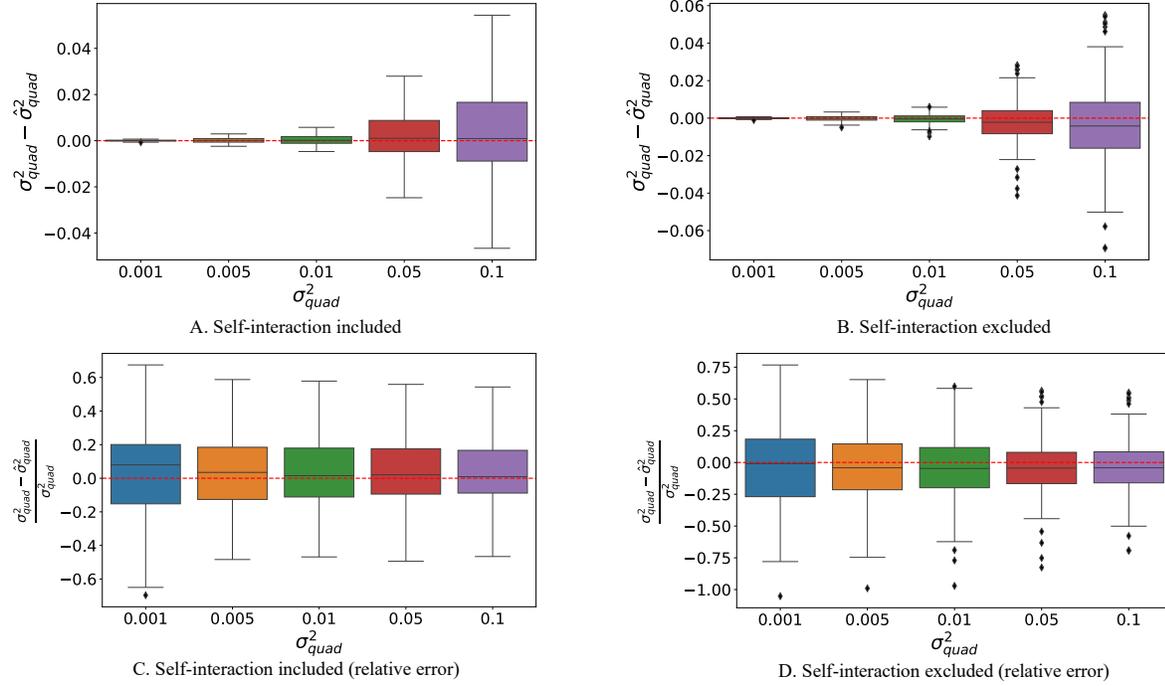


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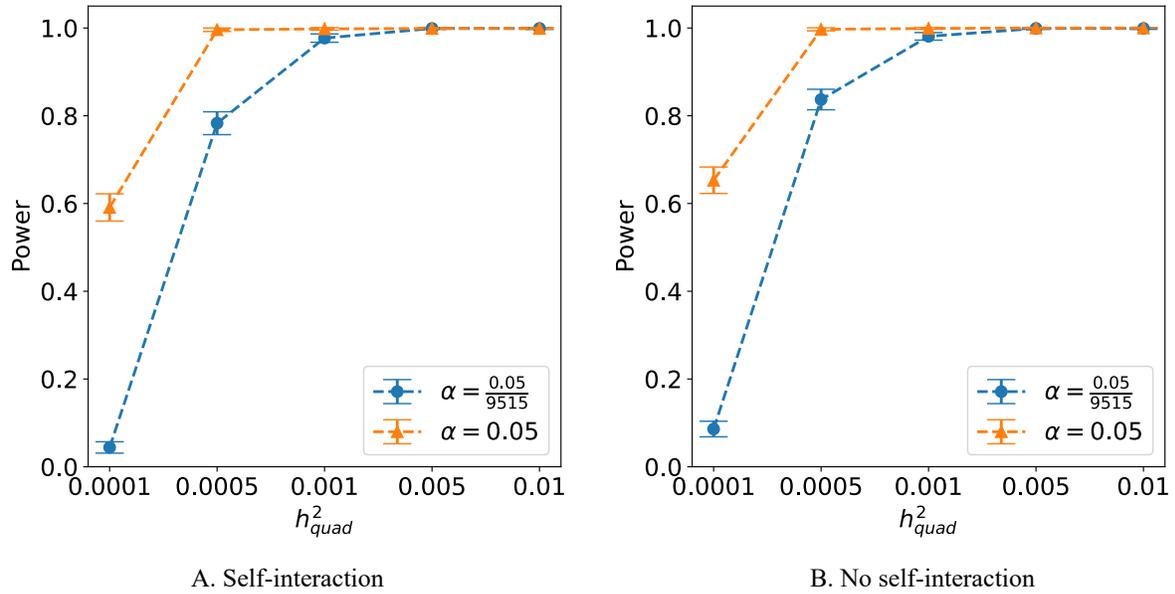
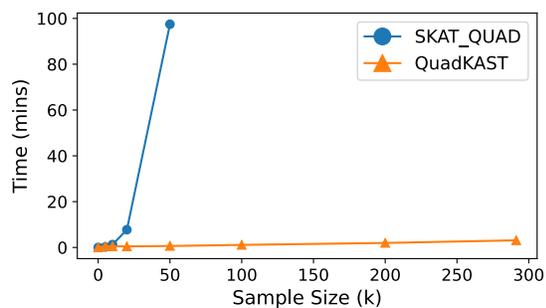
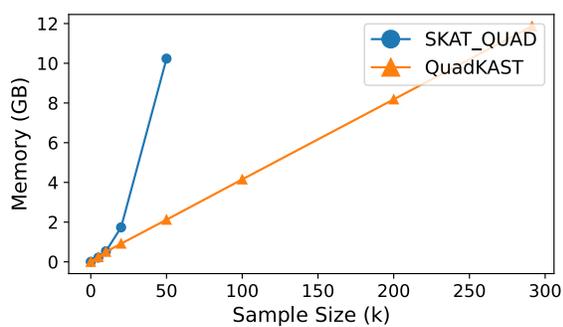


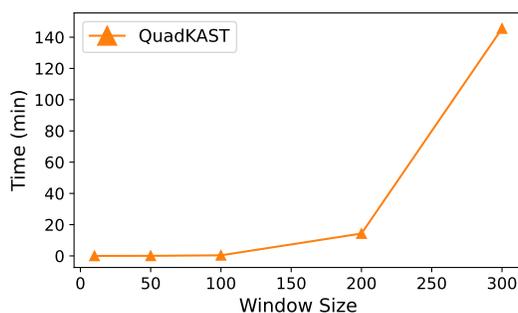
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A. Scaling with number of individuals



B. Scaling with memory



C. Scaling with number of SNPs

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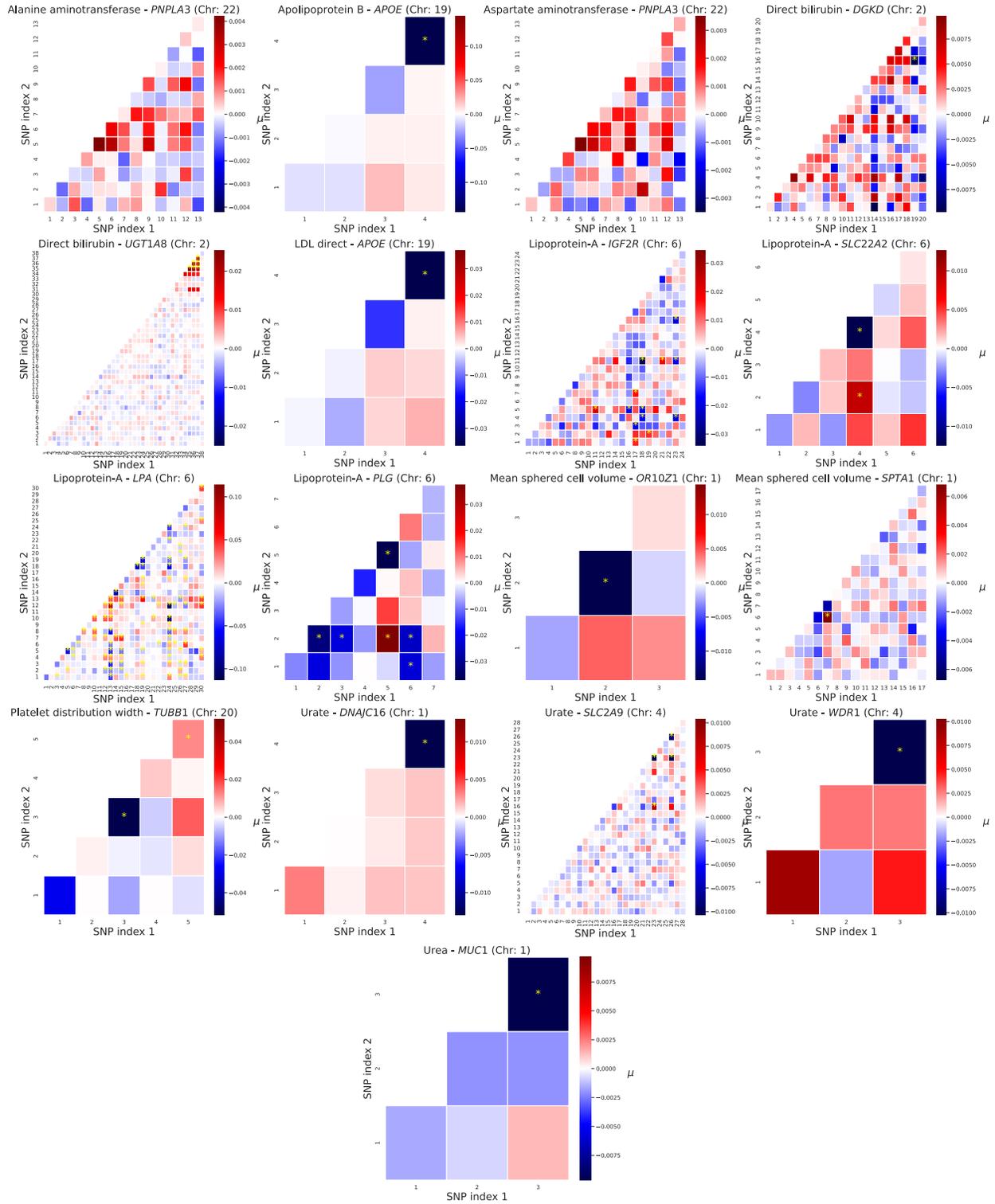


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Category	Trait	Category	Trait
Anthropometry	Body mass index	Glucose metabolism	Glucose
	BMD Heel T-score		Hemoglobin A1c
	Height	Kidney	Urea
Basal metabolic rate	Urate		
Blood biochemistry	High light scatter reticulocyte count	Lipid metabolism	Sodium in urine
	White blood cell count		Creatinine
	IGF-1		Creatinine in urine
	RBC distribution width		Potassium in urine
	RBC count		Microalbumin in urine
	Platelet distribution width	Cystatin-C	
	Platelet count	Liver	Triglycerides
	Monocyte count		Cholesterol
	Eosinophil count		LDL direct
	C-reactive protein		Apolipoprotein A
	Testosterone		HDL cholesterol
	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin	Lung	Direct bilirubin
	Phosphate		Aspartate aminotransferase
	Mean sphered cell volume		Alkaline phosphatase
	Mean platelet volume		Alanine aminotransferase
Albumin	FVC		
Blood pressure	SHBG	Other	FEV1-FVC ratio
	Lymphocyte count		Corneal Hysteresis
	Diastolic blood pressure		Calcium
Cardiovascular	Systolic blood pressure	Renal	Alcohol intake frequency
	Lipoprotein-A		Age first birth
	Apolipoprotein B		Total protein

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Threshold (α)	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	10^{-3}	10^{-4}	10^{-5}	10^{-6}
FPR ($\times\alpha$)	1.004	1.010	0.988	1.020	0.694	0.534
p-value	0.045	0.182	0.604	0.784	0.186	0.524

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Threshold (α)	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	10^{-3}	10^{-4}	10^{-5}	10^{-6}
FPR ($\times\alpha$)	1.005	1.008	1.004	0.979	0.806	1.859
P-value	0.026	0.287	0.878	0.790	0.435	0.275

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Kernel	Sample Size	Time (mins)
QuadKAST	5000	0.5
	10000	0.5
	20000	0.5
	50000	0.6
	100000	1.1
	200000	2.0
	291273	3.1
SKAT_QUAD	5000	0.2
	10000	1.3
	20000	7.7
	50000	97.5

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Window Size	Time (mins)
10	≤ 0.1
50	≤ 0.1
100	0.40
200	14.3
300	146
500	489

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Trait	Gene	σ_g^2 $\times 10^{-3}$	$SE(\sigma_g^2)$ $\times 10^{-3}$	σ_{quad}^2 $\times 10^{-3}$	$SE(\sigma_{quad}^2)$ $\times 10^{-3}$	Ratio
Alanine aminotransferase	<i>PNPLA3</i>	2.72	1.26	0.34	0.11	0.12
	<i>SAMM50</i>	2.34	1.18	0.17	0.08	0.07
Apolipoprotein B	<i>BCAM</i>	8.14	4.41	2.72	1.24	0.33
	<i>APOE</i>	64.21	45.42	22.48	10.26	0.35
Aspartate aminotransferase	<i>PNPLA3</i>	2.73	1.26	0.34	0.11	0.12
Creatinine	<i>DNAJC16</i>	0.17	0.15	0.37	0.24	2.10
Direct bilirubin	<i>SAG</i>	21.99	11.02	14.68	4.34	0.67
	<i>DGKD</i>	72.58	23.24	4.49	1.02	0.06
	<i>USP40</i>	23.30	11.28	1.12	0.35	0.05
	<i>UGT1A8</i>	74.98	18.98	18.18	1.87	0.24
Eosinophil count	<i>PRG3</i>	0.36	0.30	8.11	4.76	22.41
HDL cholesterol	<i>CETP</i>	17.64	6.99	0.19	0.08	0.01
Hemoglobin A1c	<i>HK1</i>	18.78	4.62	1.03	0.22	0.05
LDL direct	<i>APOE</i>	35.18	24.89	1.99	1.06	0.06
Lipoprotein-A	<i>IGF2R</i>	40.00	11.65	23.22	3.27	0.58
	<i>SLC22A2</i>	24.68	14.27	0.53	0.24	0.02
	<i>SLC22A3</i>	86.38	35.30	7.61	1.66	0.09
	<i>LPA</i>	546.11	141.81	183.37	14.48	0.34
	<i>PLG</i>	176.95	94.65	7.84	2.71	0.04
	<i>AGPAT4</i>	23.36	7.63	17.75	2.56	0.76
Mean corpuscular hemoglobin	<i>TMPRSS6</i>	10.15	3.51	0.70	0.23	0.07
Mean sphered cell volume	<i>OR10Z1</i>	7.66	6.26	0.31	0.21	0.04
	<i>SPTA1</i>	9.58	3.62	0.74	0.20	0.08
Monocyte count	<i>ADA2</i>	0.12	0.08	0.23	0.10	1.90
Platelet distribution width	<i>TUBB1</i>	21.44	13.83	5.20	2.52	0.24
	<i>EDN3</i>	0.85	0.37	1.17	0.29	1.37
SHBG	<i>TNK1</i>	1.53	1.50	0.28	0.20	0.18
Urate	<i>DNAJC16</i>	0.25	0.21	0.38	0.26	1.52
	<i>SLC2A9</i>	23.76	6.38	2.17	0.28	0.09
	<i>WDR1</i>	9.61	7.86	0.28	0.20	0.03
	<i>MEPE</i>	0.38	0.28	0.28	0.16	0.73
Urea	<i>MUC1</i>	0.82	0.68	0.17	0.12	0.20

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Trait	Gene	σ_{quad}^2 $\times 10^{-3}$	σ_{quad}^2 (40 PC) $\times 10^{-3}$	σ_{quad}^2 (Imputed) $\times 10^{-3}$
Alanine aminotransferase	<i>PNPLA3</i>	0.34	0.34	0.57
	<i>SAMM50</i>	0.17	0.17	0.52
Apolipoprotein B	<i>BCAM</i>	2.72	2.73	21.82
	<i>APOE</i>	22.48	22.41	22.98
Aspartate aminotransferase	<i>PNPLA3</i>	0.34	0.34	0.48
Creatinine	<i>DNAJC16</i>	0.37	0.37	0.14
Direct bilirubin	<i>SAG</i>	14.68	14.69	9.68
	<i>DGKD</i>	4.49	4.51	16.43
	<i>USP40</i>	1.12	1.13	21.25
Eosinophil count	<i>UGT1A8</i>	18.18	18.16	0.00
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HDL cholesterol	<i>CETP</i>	0.19	0.19	0.30
Hemoglobin A1c	<i>HK1</i>	1.03	1.03	0.55
LDL direct	<i>APOE</i>	1.99	1.98	2.10
Lipoprotein-A	<i>IGF2R</i>	23.22	23.20	15.45
	<i>SLC22A2</i>	0.53	0.54	31.10
	<i>SLC22A3</i>	7.61	7.62	70.18
	<i>LPA</i>	183.37	183.26	792.13
	<i>PLG</i>	7.84	7.86	179.78
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Mean corpuscular hemoglobin	<i>TMPRSS6</i>	0.70	0.70	0.34
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S1 Supplementary Notes

S1.1 Score statistics

Under the assumption that $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I})$, we can write down the log-likelihood as

$$\ell(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \sigma_{quad}^2, \sigma_\epsilon^2) = -\frac{1}{2} [\log |\sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}| + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\alpha})^T (\sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I})^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\alpha})] + Const$$

Under the null hypothesis $\sigma_{quad}^2 = 0$, the constrained MLE of $(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} &= (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\ \hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2 &= \frac{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y}}{N - K}\end{aligned}$$

We can further write down the partial derivative of ℓ with respect to σ_{quad}^2 as

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \sigma_{quad}^2, \sigma_\epsilon^2)}{\partial \sigma_{quad}^2} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\alpha})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\alpha}) - \frac{1}{2} tr(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{K})$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}$.

Plugging in the parameter estimates under the null hypothesis:

$$\begin{aligned}\left. \frac{\partial \ell(\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}, \sigma_{quad}^2, \hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2)}{\partial \sigma_{quad}^2} \right|_{\sigma_{quad}^2=0} &= \frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^4} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}})^T \mathbf{K} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}) - \frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2} tr(\mathbf{K}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^4} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y})^T \mathbf{K} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}) - \frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2} tr(\mathbf{K}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^4} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} - \frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2} tr(\mathbf{K})\end{aligned}$$

This leads to the score test statistic that is used in SKAT (Wu et al. 2011): $Q = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y}$. An alternative score statistic for which the exact sampling distribution under the null hypothesis can be computed has been proposed in (Zhou et al. 2016).

S1.1.1 Sampling distribution of the score statistic

For completeness, we derive the sampling distribution of the score statistic, following closely the treatment in (Zhou et al. 2016).

Let $\mathcal{C}()$ denote the column space of a matrix. Let R and S denote the ranks of \mathbf{X} and $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}$ respectively. Let $\mathbf{A}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times R}$ denote an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$ and $\mathbf{A}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times S}$ denote an orthonormal basis based on an eigendecomposition of $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}$. $\mathbf{A}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times (N-R-S)}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A}_0, \mathbf{A}_1)^\perp = \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{A}_1)^\perp$ so that $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2] \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times (N-R)}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})^\perp$.

Using the uniqueness of orthogonal projections, we have $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T$. Under the null hypothesis:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{w} &:= \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \\ &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{I}_N \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{A}) \\ &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_{N-R} \sigma_\epsilon^2)\end{aligned}\tag{7}$$

We also have:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P} &= \mathbf{A}_1 \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_S) \mathbf{A}_1^T \\ &= [\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2] \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_S, 0, \dots, 0) [\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2]^T \\ &= \mathbf{A} \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_S, 0, \dots, 0) \mathbf{A}^T\end{aligned}\tag{8}$$

Here $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_S)$ are the non-zero eigenvalues of $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}$.

Combining Equations 7 and 8:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_S, 0, \dots, 0) \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \\
&= \mathbf{w}^T \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_S, 0, \dots, 0) \mathbf{w} \\
&= \sigma_\epsilon^2 \sum_{i=1}^S \lambda_i \chi_i^2
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Here χ_i^2 are independent random variables with a χ^2 , 1-df distribution. Since $\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2 \xrightarrow{p} \sigma_\epsilon^2$, we then have

$$Q \xrightarrow{d} \sum_{i=1}^S \lambda_i \chi_i^2 \tag{10}$$

S1.1.2 Computing the p-value of the score statistic

To compute the score statistic, we write the statistic as: $Q = \frac{1}{D\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y}$. The statistic can be computed in $\mathcal{O}(ND)$ time. Computing the p-value using the sampling distribution in Equation 9 requires computing the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}$. The eigenvalues are obtained as the squared singular values of $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Phi} = \mathbf{\Phi} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{\Phi}$. The matrix $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Phi}$ can be formed in $\mathcal{O}(NKD + NK^2 + K^3)$ times and its singular values can be computed in $\mathcal{O}(ND^2)$ time (for $D < N$).

S1.2 Variance components estimation

When no covariates are included, we have $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I})$. We can estimate $(\sigma_{quad}^2, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$ by maximizing the log-likelihood:

$$\ell(\sigma_{quad}^2, \sigma_\epsilon^2) = -\frac{1}{2} \left[\log |\sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}| + \mathbf{y}^T (\sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{y} \right] + Const$$

Defining $\delta = \frac{\sigma_\epsilon^2}{\sigma_{quad}^2}$, the log-likelihood can be re-parameterized as:

$$\ell(\sigma_{quad}^2, \delta) = -\frac{1}{2} \left[\log |\sigma_{quad}^2 (\mathbf{K} + \delta \mathbf{I})| + \mathbf{y}^T (\sigma_{quad}^2 (\mathbf{K} + \delta \mathbf{I}))^{-1} \mathbf{y} \right] + Const$$

Computing the partial derivative w.r.t. σ_{quad}^2 , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \ell(\sigma_{quad}^2, \delta)}{\partial \sigma_{quad}^2} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{N}{\sigma_{quad}^2} - \frac{\mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{K} + \delta \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{y}}{\sigma_{quad}^4} \right] = 0 \\ \sigma_{quad}^2 &= \frac{\mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{K} + \delta \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{y}}{N} \end{aligned}$$

Substituting σ_{quad}^2 into the log-likelihood function, we get the profile log-likelihood:

$$\ell_P(\delta) = -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{K} + \delta \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{y} + \log |(\mathbf{K} + \delta \mathbf{I})| \right] + Const \quad (11)$$

Given the eigen-decomposition of $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{U} \text{diag}(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_N) \mathbf{U}^T$ where $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ is the matrix of eigenvectors and (ρ_1, \dots, ρ_N) are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{K} , Equation 11 can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_P(\delta) &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{U}^T + \delta \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{y} \right) + \log |(\mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{U}^T + \delta \mathbf{I})| \right] + Const \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{U} (\mathbf{S} + \delta \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{U}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{y} \right) + \log |\mathbf{U} (\mathbf{S} + \delta \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{U}^T| \right] + Const \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i + \delta} \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^N \log(s_i + \delta) \right] + Const \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Here \tilde{y}_i is the i^{th} entry of $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{y}$. Evaluating this function takes $\mathcal{O}(N)$ complexity at each iteration of the optimization algorithm.

The above derivation assumes that \mathbf{K} is a full rank matrix. However, the rank of \mathbf{K} can often be substantially smaller than N leading to additional efficiency in evaluating an optimizing ℓ_P . In our application, $\mathbf{K} = \frac{\Phi \Phi^T}{D}$ where $\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times D}$ so that the rank of \mathbf{K} : $R \leq \min(D, N) = D$ when $D < N$. In this setting, we have $\rho_i = 0$ for $i > R$ and we can write $\mathbf{U} = [\mathbf{U}_1, \mathbf{U}_2]$, where $\mathbf{U}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times R}$ and $\mathbf{U}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times (N-R)}$ so that:

$$\tilde{y}_i = \begin{cases} [\mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{y}]_i, & i \leq R \\ [\mathbf{U}_2^T \mathbf{y}]_i, & i > R \end{cases}$$

We then can rewrite the profile log-likelihood as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\ell_P(\delta) &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i + \delta} \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^N \log(\rho_i + \delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{i=1}^R \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i + \delta} + \sum_{i=R+1}^N \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\delta} \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^P \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N - R) \log(\delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{i=1}^R \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i + \delta} + \frac{1}{\delta} \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{y}_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^R \tilde{y}_i^2 \right) \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^P \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N - R) \log(\delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \left(- \sum_{i=1}^R \frac{\rho_i \tilde{y}_i^2}{(\rho_i + \delta) \delta} + \frac{1}{\delta} \sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{y}_i^2 \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^P \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N - R) \log(\delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \left(- \sum_{i=1}^R \frac{\rho_i \tilde{y}_i^2}{(\rho_i + \delta) \delta} + \frac{1}{\delta} \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^P \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N - R) \log(\delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[N \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \left(- \sum_{i=1}^R \frac{\rho_i \tilde{y}_i^2}{(\rho_i + \delta) \delta} + \frac{1}{\delta} \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^P \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N - R) \log(\delta) \right] + Const
\end{aligned}$$

Evaluating ℓ_P in this setting requires computing \tilde{y}_i and $\rho_i, i \leq R$ which can be obtained by a one-time computation of the R non-zero eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of \mathbf{K} . Computation of these eigenvalues and eigenvectors can be obtained in $\mathcal{O}(ND^2)$ time from a SVD of Φ while subsequent evaluation of ℓ_P requires $\mathcal{O}(D)$ time.

S1.3 Variance component estimation with covariates included

When covariates are included in the model, we have: $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I})$. Let L and S denote the ranks of \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{PKP} respectively. Let the full SVD of $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{B}_0 \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{C}_0^T$ where $\mathbf{B}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$, $\mathbf{C}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$, and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is an $N \times K$ rectangular diagonal matrix such that

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ij} = \begin{cases} s_i & \text{If } i = j \text{ and } i \leq L \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let $\mathbf{B}_0 = [\mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}_2]$ where $\mathbf{B}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times L}$ and $\mathbf{B}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times (N-L)}$. Similarly, we define $\mathbf{C}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L}$ and $\mathbf{C}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times (K-L)}$. We then have $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{B}_1 \text{diag}(s_1, \dots, s_R) \mathbf{C}_1^T$. Together, we have

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I}_N - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T = \mathbf{B}_0 \mathbf{B}_0^T - \mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{B}_1^T = \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{B}_2^T$$

where \mathbf{B}_2 denotes an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})^\perp$ and $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is the column space of \mathbf{X} .

We then define:

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\omega} &:= \mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{y} \\ &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{I}_N \mathbf{B}_2) \\ &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}_{N-L}, \sigma_{quad}^2 \mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}_{N-L}) \end{aligned}$$

Let the eigendecomposition of $\mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2 = \mathbf{U}_b \text{diag}(s_1, \dots, s_{N-L}) \mathbf{U}_b^T$ where \mathbf{U}_b is a $(N-L) \times (N-L)$ orthonormal matrix of eigenvectors of $\mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2$. We then define

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{y}} &:= \mathbf{U}_b^T \boldsymbol{\omega} = \mathbf{U}_b^T \mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{y} \\ &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}_{N-L}, \sigma_{quad}^2 \text{diag}(s_1, \dots, s_{N-L}) + \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}_{N-L}) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

From Equation 13, the restricted log-likelihood function can be written as:

$$\ell_R(\sigma_{quad}^2, \sigma_\epsilon^2) = -\frac{N-L}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \log(s_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{s_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2} \quad (14)$$

which, in turn, yields the profile restricted log-likelihood (as a function of $\delta = \frac{\sigma_\epsilon^2}{\sigma_{quad}^2}$):

$$\ell_{PR}(\delta) = -\frac{1}{2} [(N-L) \log \frac{1}{N-L} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{s_i + \delta} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \log(s_i + \delta)] + \text{Const} \quad (15)$$

The values of σ_{quad}^2 and σ_ϵ^2 that maximize the restricted log-likelihood can be efficiently computed using the same technique as described in Supplementary Note S1.2 once the eigendecomposition of $\mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2$ has been computed.

S1.3.1 Efficient computation

Using the fact that we have $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{B}_2^T$, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{PKP} &= \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{B}_2^T \\ &= \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{U}_b \text{diag}(s_1, \dots, s_{N-L}) \mathbf{U}_b^T \mathbf{B}_2^T \\ &= \mathbf{B} \text{diag}(s_1, \dots, s_{N-L}) \mathbf{B}^T \end{aligned}$$

Where $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{U}_b$ is a $N \times (N-L)$ matrix with orthonormal columns

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{U}_b^T \mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{U}_b \\ &= \mathbf{U}_b \mathbf{I}_{N-L} \mathbf{U}_b^T = \mathbf{U}_b \mathbf{U}_b^T = \mathbf{I}_{N-L} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, \mathbf{B} is the matrix of eigenvectors of \mathbf{PKP} while s_1, \dots, s_{N-L} are its eigenvalues. We can identify the columns of \mathbf{B} with those of \mathbf{A} in Equation 8, we have

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2] \quad (16)$$

The eigenvalues of $\mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2$ are equivalent to those of $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{P}$. The number of non-zero eigenvalues of $\mathbf{B}_2^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{B}_2$ is $S \leq \min(R, N-L)$ so that $s_i = 0$ for $i > S$ and $s_i = \lambda_i$ for $i \leq S$. We also have the relation: $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{y}$.

We can now rewrite the restricted log-likelihood from Equation 14 in this setting as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\ell_R(\sigma_{quad}^2, \sigma_\epsilon^2) &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \log(\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) + \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2} \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^S \log(\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) + (N-L-S) \log(\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2} + \sum_{i=S+1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2} \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^S \log(\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) + (N-L-S) \log(\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 \tilde{y}_i^2}{(\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2)(\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2} \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^S \log(\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) + (N-L-S) \log(\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 \tilde{y}_i^2}{(\rho_i \sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2)(\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2)} + \frac{\|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2}{\sigma_{quad}^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2} \right] + Const
\end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Analogously, we can now rewrite the profile restricted log-likelihood from Equation 15 in this setting as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\ell_{PR}(\delta) &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[(N-L) \log \left(\frac{1}{N-L} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i + \delta} \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \log(\rho_i + \delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[(N-L) \log \left(\frac{1}{N-L} \left(\sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i + \delta} + \sum_{i=S+1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\delta} \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^S \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N-L-S) \log(\delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[(N-L) \log \left(\frac{1}{N-L} \left(\sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\rho_i + \delta} + \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\delta} - \sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\tilde{y}_i^2}{\delta} \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^S \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N-L-S) \log(\delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[(N-L) \log \left(\frac{1}{N-L} \left(-\sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\rho_i \tilde{y}_i^2}{(\rho_i + \delta)\delta} + \frac{1}{\delta} \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \tilde{y}_i^2 \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^S \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N-L-S) \log(\delta) \right] + Const \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \left[(N-L) \log \left(\frac{1}{N-L} \left(-\sum_{i=1}^S \frac{\rho_i \tilde{y}_i^2}{(\rho_i + \delta)\delta} + \frac{1}{\delta} \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 \right) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^S \log(\rho_i + \delta) + (N-L-S) \log(\delta) \right] + Const
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

To evaluate the functions in Equations 17 and 18, we need to compute \tilde{y}_i for $i \in \{1, \dots, S\}$ and $\|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N-L} \tilde{y}_i^2$.

From Equation 16, we can write $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix}$. We see that \tilde{y}_i is given by the i -th entry of $\mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{y}$ for $i \leq S$.

Here \mathbf{A}_1 denotes the left singular vectors of $\mathbf{P} \Phi$ and can be computed in $\mathcal{O}(ND^2)$ time (as outlined in Section S1.1.2).

Let $\mathbf{B}_4 = [\mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}]$. Since $\mathbf{B}_1^T \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_1^T \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{0}$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}_4^T \mathbf{B}_4 &= [\mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{B}]^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_1 \\ \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_1^T \mathbf{B}_1 & \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}_1 \\ \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}_1 & \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_L & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_{N-L} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{I}_N
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, \mathbf{B}_4 is an orthonormal matrix and we have $\mathbf{B}_4 \mathbf{B}_4^T = \mathbf{I}_N$. Further, $\mathbf{B}_4^T \mathbf{y} = [\mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}]^T \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_1^T \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \tilde{\mathbf{y}} \end{bmatrix}$. As a

result:

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 = \mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{I}_N \mathbf{y} \\
&= \mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{B}_4 \mathbf{B}_4^\top \mathbf{y} \\
&= \left(\mathbf{B}_4^\top \mathbf{y} \right)^\top \mathbf{B}_4^\top \mathbf{y} \\
&= \mathbf{y}_1^\top \mathbf{y}_1 + \tilde{\mathbf{y}}^\top \tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \|\mathbf{y}_1\|_2^2 + \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2
\end{aligned}$$

We can then compute $\|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 - \|\mathbf{y}_1\|_2^2$. Computing \mathbf{y}_1 requires the top L left singular vectors of \mathbf{X} that can, in turn, be computed in $\mathcal{O}(NL^2)$ time. To compute $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i, i \in \{1, \dots, S\}$, we need to compute eigenvectors (columns of \mathbf{B}) corresponding to the non-zero eigenvalues of $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{P}$ which is equivalent to the corresponding left singular vectors of $\mathbf{P}\Phi$. Finally, $\rho_i, i \in \{1, \dots, S\}$ are the non-zero eigenvalues of $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{P}$ which are also obtained from the corresponding singular values of $\mathbf{P}\Phi$. Both these quantities can be obtained in $\mathcal{O}(NKD + NK^2 + K^3 + ND^2)$ time. Thus, the profile restricted log-likelihood as represented in Equation 18 can be optimized with a $\mathcal{O}(NKD + NK^2 + K^3 + ND^2)$ one-time computation followed by $\mathcal{O}(D)$ time to evaluate this function subsequently.

S1.4 Estimating the effects of interactions

Given estimates of the variance components $(\sigma_{quad}^2, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$, we can compute the posterior probability distribution of the effects of each interaction in a set. Assuming

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\gamma} &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \frac{\sigma_{quad}^2}{D} \mathbf{I}_D) \\ \mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\Phi}, \boldsymbol{\gamma} &\sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\gamma}, \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}_N)\end{aligned}$$

the posterior probability is:

$$\begin{aligned}P(\boldsymbol{\gamma}|\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\Phi}) &\propto P(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\Phi}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}) \times P(\boldsymbol{\gamma}) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2)^{\frac{N}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\gamma})^T(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\gamma})\right) \times \left(\frac{D}{2\pi\sigma_{quad}^2}\right)^{\frac{D}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{D}{2\sigma_{quad}^2} \sum_{i=1}^D \gamma_i^2\right) \\ &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\gamma})^T(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\gamma}) - \frac{D}{2\sigma_{quad}^2} \sum_{i=1}^D \gamma_i^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} \left(\boldsymbol{\gamma}^T(\boldsymbol{\Phi}^T\boldsymbol{\Phi} + \frac{D\sigma_\epsilon^2}{\sigma_{quad}^2} \mathbf{I}_D)\boldsymbol{\gamma} + 2\mathbf{y}^T\boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\gamma}\right)\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\gamma} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{posterior})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{posterior}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\gamma} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{posterior})\right)\end{aligned}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{posterior} = (\boldsymbol{\Phi}^T\boldsymbol{\Phi} + \lambda\mathbf{I}_D)^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Phi}^T\mathbf{y}$, $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{posterior} = \sigma_\epsilon^2(\boldsymbol{\Phi}^T\boldsymbol{\Phi} + \lambda\mathbf{I}_D)^{-1}$, and $\lambda = \frac{D\sigma_\epsilon^2}{\sigma_{quad}^2}$.

Therefore, given σ_{quad}^2 and σ_ϵ^2 , we have

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma}|\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\Phi} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{posterior}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{posterior})$$

For a given interaction t , we estimate the posterior mean μ_t as the corresponding entry in $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{posterior}$ while the posterior standard deviation σ_t is estimated as the square root of the corresponding diagonal entry of $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{posterior}$.