

Additional Figures

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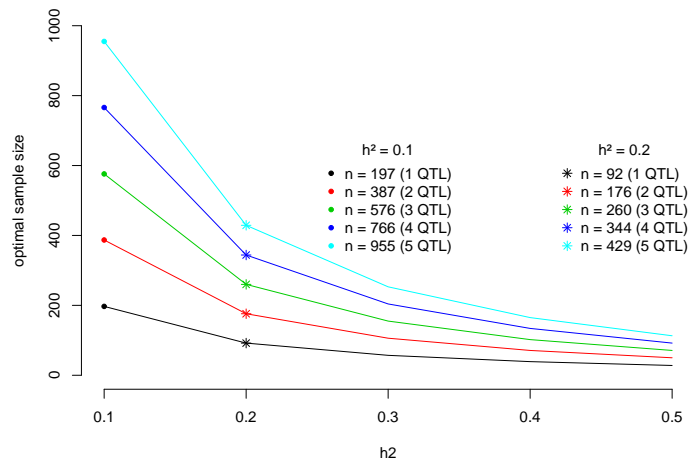


Figure S.1 Optimal sample size estimated from the single-SNP model and depending on heritability. Pointwise type-I error was corrected using the simple \mathcal{M} method.

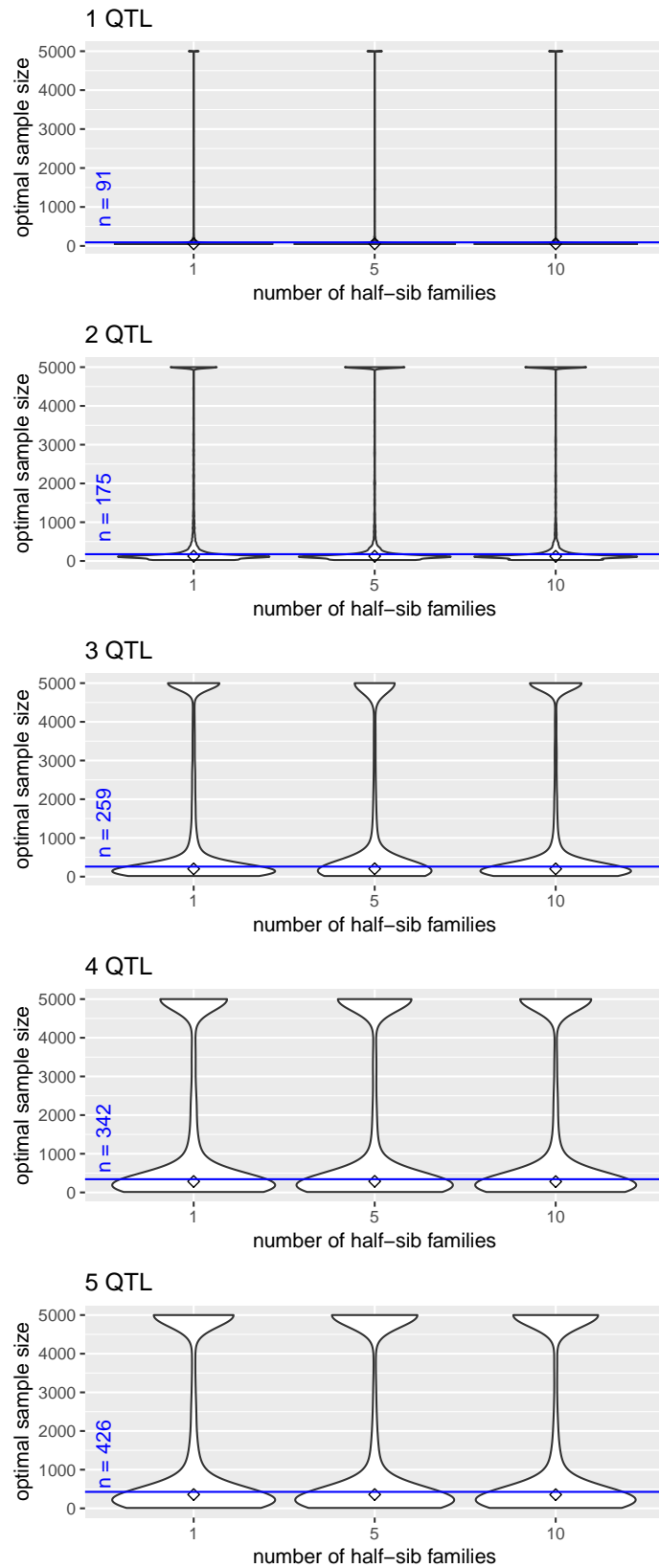


Figure S.2 Distribution of optimal sample size. Violinplot of n_{opt} vs. number of half-sib families for different numbers of QTL signals in a multi-SNP model. The parent generation was simulated 100 times and 100 random draws of positions of QTL signals were analyzed in each run, $h^2 = 0.2$. The diamond indicates the median of n_{opt} and the blue line marks the results based on a single-SNP model.

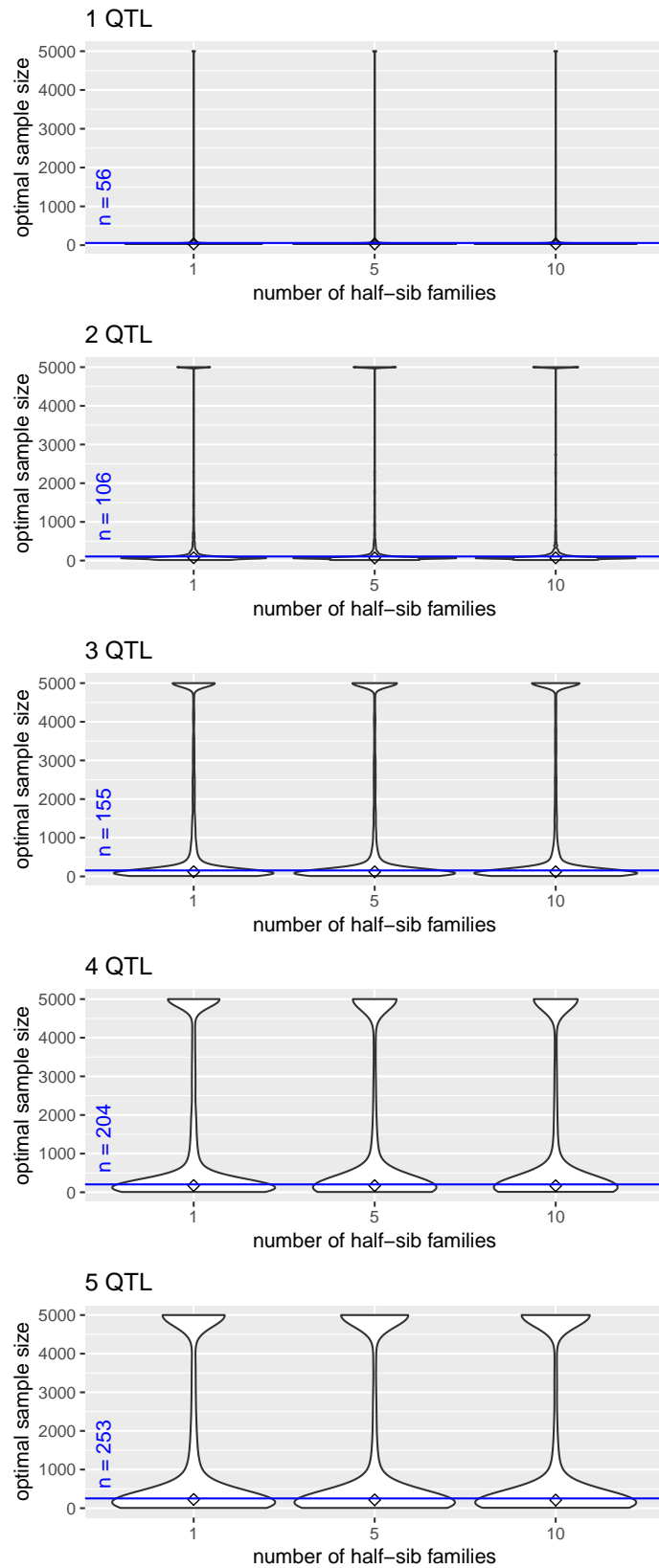


Figure S.3 Distribution of optimal sample size. Violinplot of n_{opt} vs. number of half-sib families for different numbers of QTL signals in a multi-SNP model. The parent generation was simulated 100 times and 100 random draws of positions of QTL signals were analyzed in each run, $h^2 = 0.3$. The diamond indicates the median of n_{opt} and the blue line marks the results based on a single-SNP model.

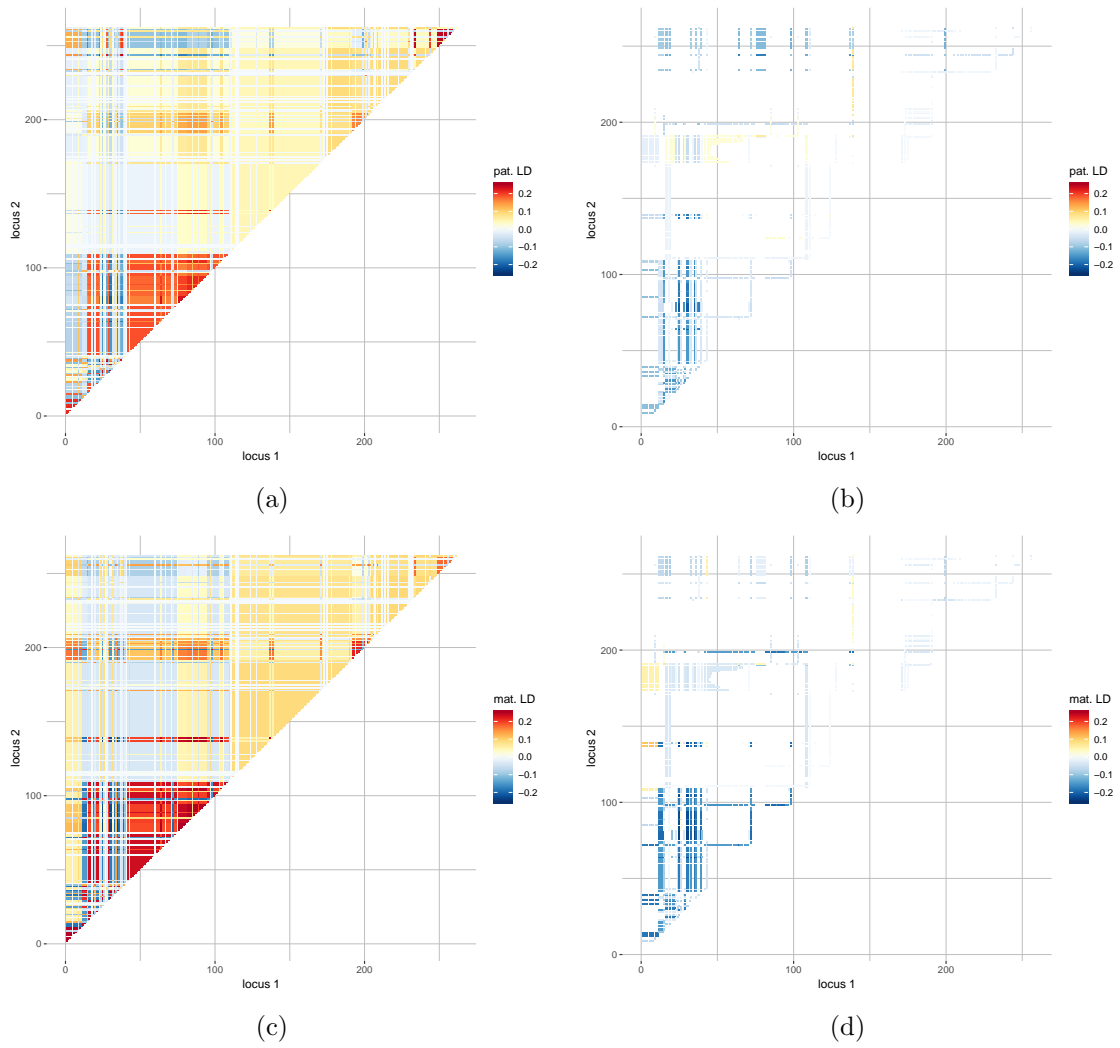


Figure S.4 Separation of dependence between SNPs in a single simulated data set with $N = 10$ sires. (a) Paternal covariance, (b) entries selected from paternal covariance which belong to 10% highest sample size ($n_{opt} \geq 864$), (c) maternal covariance, (d) entries selected from maternal covariance which belong to 10% highest sample size. All possible SNP pairs were evaluated to detect two QTL signals ($h^2 = 0.1$).

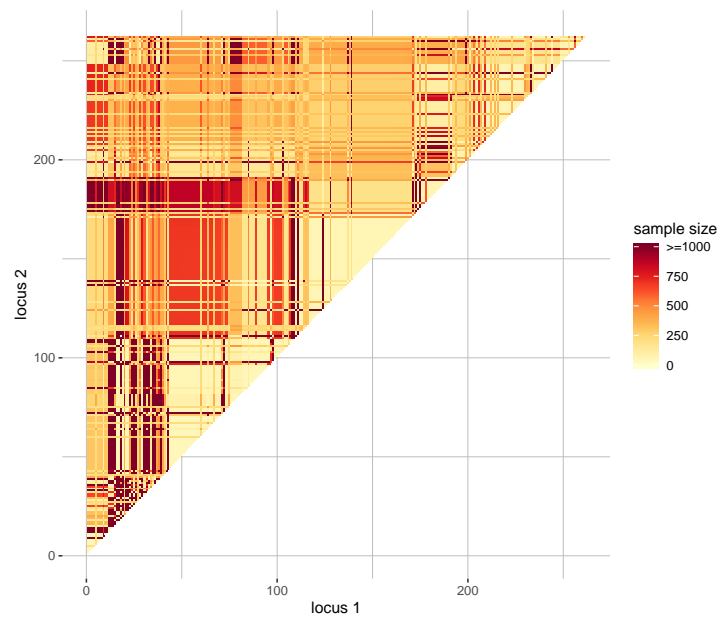


Figure S.5 Relationship of optimal sample size with distance between QTL signals in a single simulated data set with $N = 10$ sires. All possible SNP pairs were evaluated to detect two QTL signals ($h^2 = 0.1$) based on a multi-SNP model.

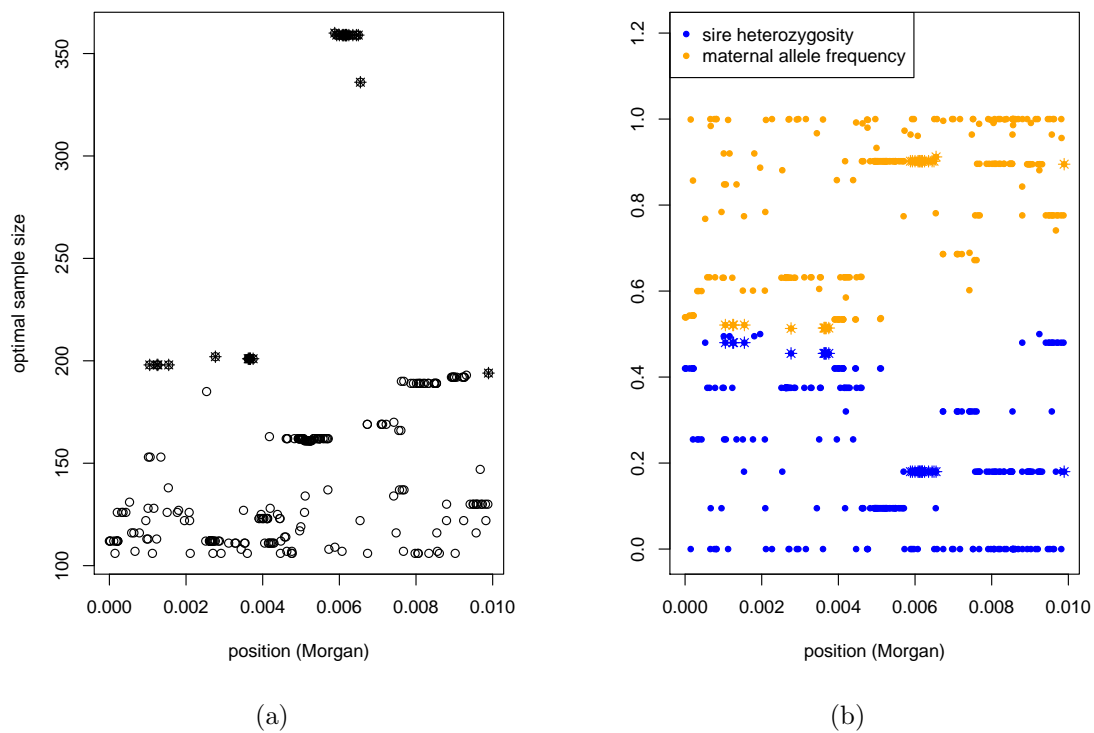


Figure S.6 Relationship of optimal sample size with genome position. (a) Optimal sample size for detecting one QTL signal was estimated based on the multi-SNP model ($h^2 = 0.1$). All possible SNP positions were evaluated. (b) Sire heterozygosity and maternal allele frequency at each SNP position. Values for SNPs that belong to 10% highest sample size ($n_{opt} \geq 194$) are indicated by a star. Results are based on a single simulated data set with $N = 10$ sires.

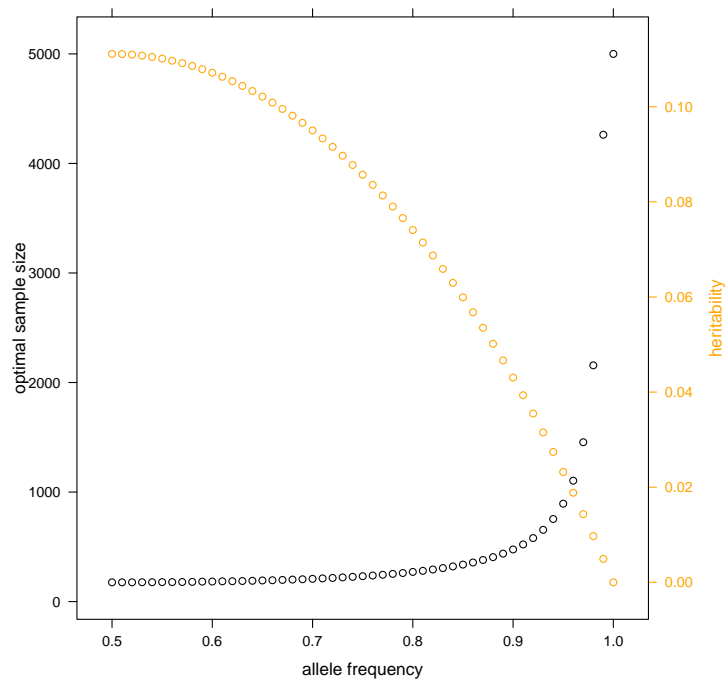


Figure S.7 Dependence of optimal sample size on major allele frequency (p). The relative effect size on the observed genotype level was fixed at 0.5 and multiplied by $\sqrt{2p(1-p)}$. Optimal sample size was estimated based on a single-SNP model.