

coR-ge

Investigation of Stratified False Discovery Rate Control in Environments of Complex Correlation

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Genome Wide Association Studies

- Agnostic search of the genome for significant associations
- Hypothesis free
- Many millions of tests
- Moving towards hypothesis driven GWAS (GWAS-HD)
 - Single SNP association with re-prioritization based on biological hypothesis
 - Stratified FDR

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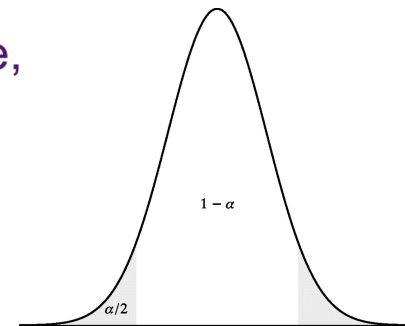
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Multiple Testing Correction Primer

- If H_0 is true, $P(|Z| < \phi(\alpha)) = 1 - \alpha$
 - i.e. if “significant” P value is 0.05, given H_0 is true, chance of correctly failing to reject is 0.95
- If A and B are independent, $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A)P(B)$
- Probability of all true H_0 in correct region, for n Independent tests, is 0.95^n
- Increased number of Type 1 Error



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Multiple Testing Correction Primer

- Significance Level (α) is 0.05
- 3 false tests
 - E.g. Number of jelly beans eaten influences musical ability
 - Probability of each false test being “not significant”
 $= P(\text{Null Region}) \cdot P(\text{Null Region}) \cdot P(\text{Null Region})$
 $= 0.95 \cdot 0.95 \cdot 0.95$
 $= 0.857375$
- 10 false tests
 - $= 0.95^{10} = 0.5987$

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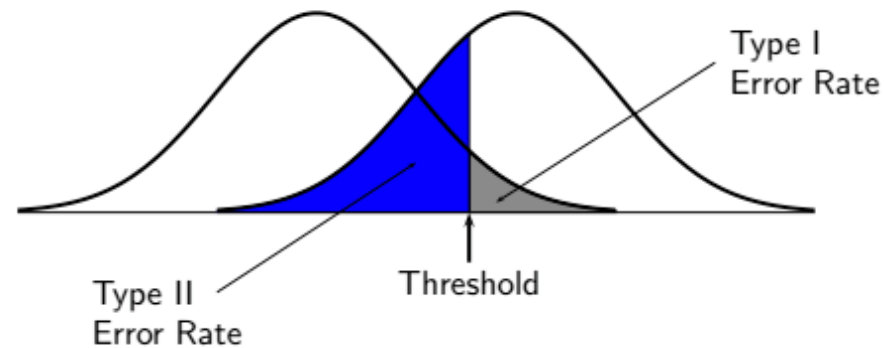
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- Type I Error: Reject H_0 when H_0 is true (False Positive)
- Type II Error: Fail to reject H_0 when H_0 is false (False Negative)

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Multiple Testing Correction Primer

What does this really mean?

- True positive: Causal variant is there, and is significant
- False positive: Not a causal variant, and is significant

Why do we care?

- More TP = More loci that can be replicated.
- Power to detect TP > Cost of detecting FP.

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- As $\uparrow n_{tests}$, \uparrow False positives
- Control methods
 - Bonferroni
 - Chance of even one false positive $\leq \alpha$
 - $P(FP > 0) \leq \alpha$
 - FDR
 - Proportion of discoveries which are false $\leq \alpha$
 - $FDR \equiv E \left[\frac{FP}{TP} \right] \leq \alpha$

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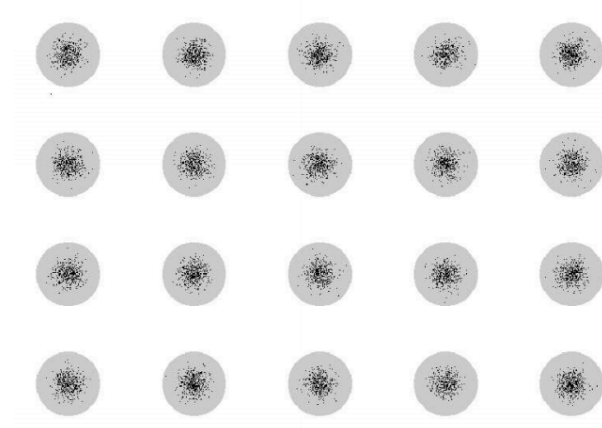
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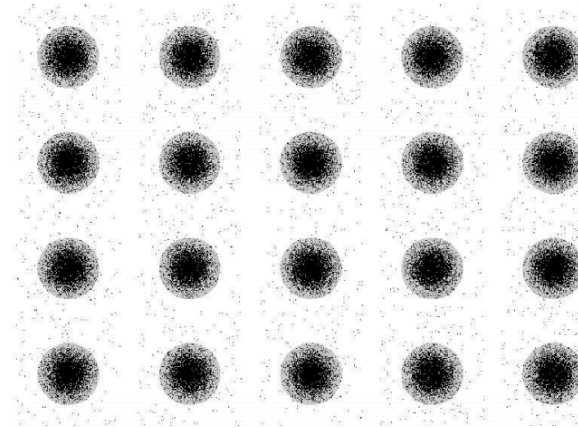
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Multiple Testing Correction Primer



Family-wise Error Rate (Bonferroni)
Chance of even one false positive $\leq \alpha$



False Discovery Rate Control
Proportion of FP $\left(\frac{FP}{TP}\right) \leq \alpha$

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Stratified FDR

- Sun et. al 2006
- Control FDR separately in different groups
- According to prior information
 - E.g. Cystic Fibrosis Genes
 - Meconium Ileus
- Lots of questions
 - Effect of correlation etc.

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Multiple apical plasma membrane constituents are associated with susceptibility to meconium ileus in individuals with cystic fibrosis

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Introducing: **coR-ge**

- Software for the Examination of Multiple Correction Methodologies in Accurate Genomic Environments
- Permutation testing of correction methodologies
- Different environments
- Open source: <http://chris1221.github.io/coR-ge/>
- ~ 5000 lines of code, fully parallelised on SGE (HPCVL) and PBS (SCINET) clusters.

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Quick-start Guide.

Welcome to the landing page for **coR-ge** (**cor**rection of **ge**nomes in **R**). This software is in active development, and pull requests are welcome on any of the branches. Please find below instructions for use cases. For more complex use, please contact the maintainer by [raising an issue](#) on the project repository.

This project was presented at the Compute Canada's High Powered Computer Symposium in June 2015. The [abstract](#) and [poster PDF](#) are also found in the repository.

Program Structure

- <http://chris1221.github.io/coR-ge/>

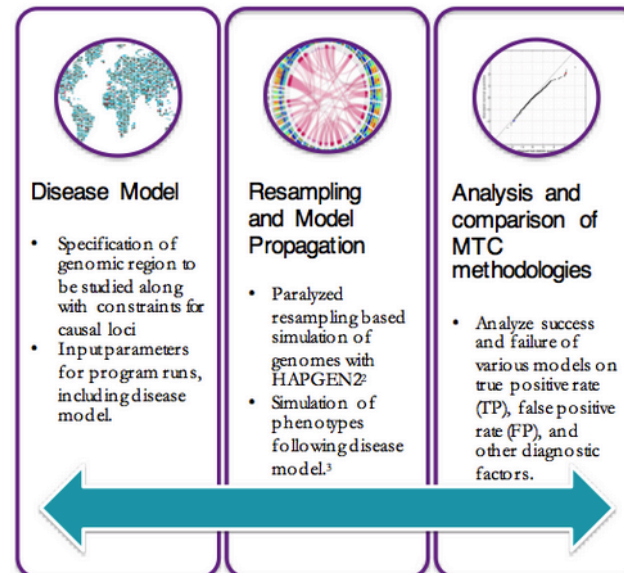
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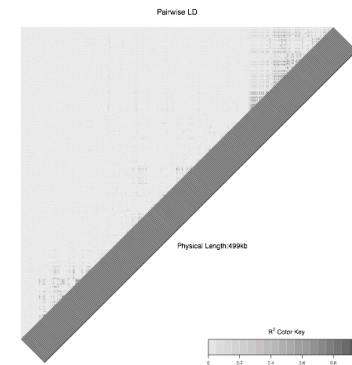
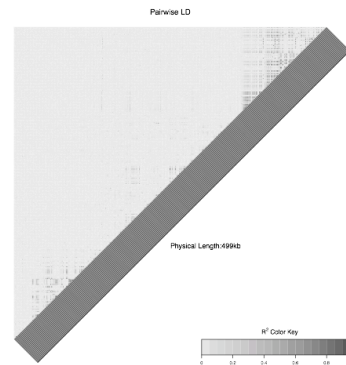
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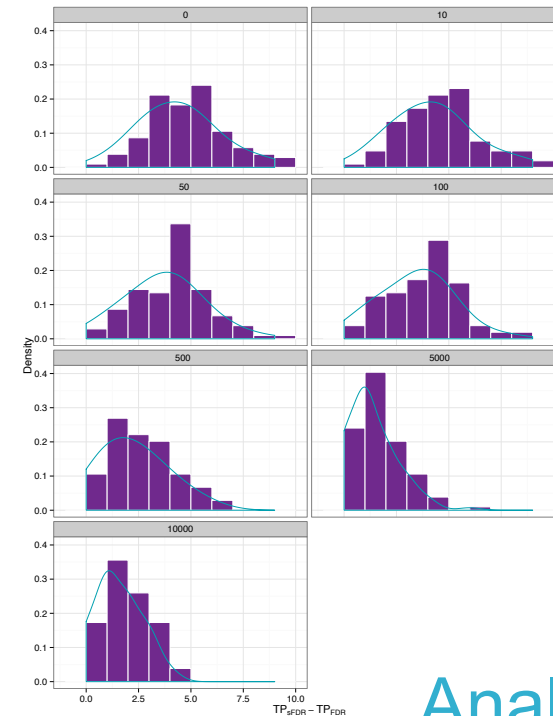
- Maintain LD structures
 - Pairwise R^2
- Specify Disease Model
 - Heritability
 - Causal loci
 - Phenotype Generation



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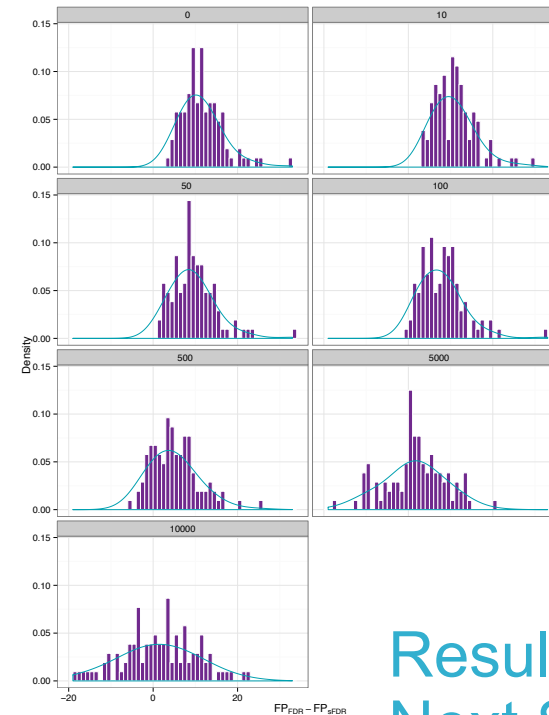
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- Normal phenotype with $Z(0,0.55)$ noise
- Δ True Positives between FDR and sFDR
- Grouped by number of “confusion” SNPs



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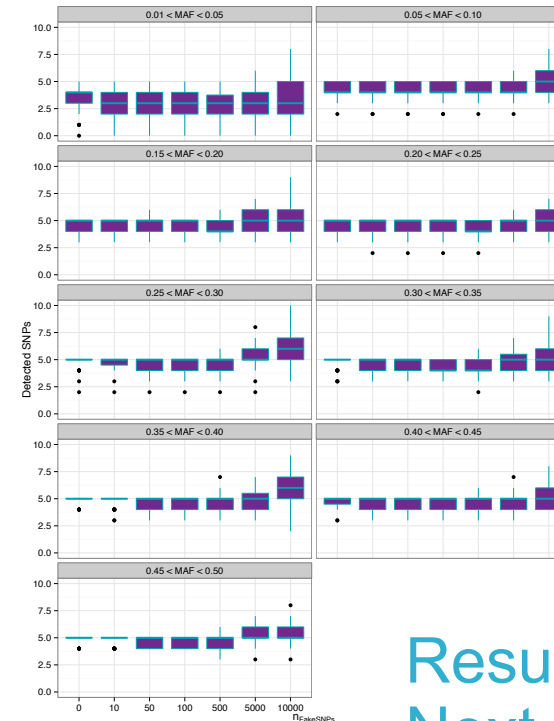
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- Heritability: 0.45
- 5 causal loci in each MAF group
- Normal phenotype with $Z(0,0.55)$ noise
- Effect sizes evenly
 - Type II ANOVA for difference $P = 0.2026$
- Δ True positives between FDR and sFDR
- Grouped by number of “confusion” SNPs
- **Grouped by MAF category**



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- Heritability: 0.45
- 10 gene system
- 1 causal loci in each gene
- Δ True positives between FDR and sFDR
- Δ False positives between FDR and sFDR

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Summary

- Introduced a software suite for the comparison of multiple testing correction methodologies
- Showed preliminary evidence of $sFDR > FDR$
 - More TP
 - Less FP
 - When real gene group used, more TP and more FP.

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Next steps:

- Improved user documentation
- Realistic examinations of correlation structures
- Working with mathematical statisticians to prove these heuristic trends

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