

# Assessment 4 Part 1

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## Downloading gene\_expression.tsv data file

```
URL="https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ghazkha/Assessment4/refs/heads/main/gene_expression.tsv"
download.file(URL,destfile="gene_expression.tsv")
```

The code defines the URL for a tsv file containing RNA-seq count data for three samples of interest, downloads the file as gene\_expression.tsv

## Downloading growth\_data.csv data file

```
URL="https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ghazkha/Assessment4/refs/heads/main/growth_data.csv"
download.file(URL,destfile="growth_data.csv")
```

The code defines the URL for a csv file containing measurements for tree circumference growing at two sites, control site and treatment site which were planted 20 years ago, downloads the file as growth\_data.csv

## 1. Reading Gene Expression Data and Setting Row Names

```
gene_expr <- read.table("gene_expression.tsv", header=TRUE, sep="\t", row.names=1)
```

The read.table() import the TSV file, row.names = 1 set gene identifiers as row names.

```
head(gene_expr)
```

```
##                                GTEX.1117F.0226.SM.5GZZ7 GTEX.1117F.0426.SM.5EGHI
## ENSG00000223972.5_DDX11L1                                0                      0
## ENSG00000227232.5_WASH7P                                187                     109
## ENSG00000278267.1_MIR6859-1                              0                      0
## ENSG00000243485.5_MIR1302-2HG                             1                      0
## ENSG00000237613.2_FAM138A                                0                      0
## ENSG00000268020.3_OR4G4P                                  0                      1
##                                GTEX.1117F.0526.SM.5EGHJ
## ENSG00000223972.5_DDX11L1                                0                      0
## ENSG00000227232.5_WASH7P                                143                     0
## ENSG00000278267.1_MIR6859-1                              1                      0
## ENSG00000243485.5_MIR1302-2HG                             0                      0
## ENSG00000237613.2_FAM138A                                0                      0
## ENSG00000268020.3_OR4G4P                                  0                      0
```

The head(gene\_expr) command display the first six rows.

## 2. Calculating Gene Mean Expression

```
gene_expr$Mean <- rowMeans(gene_expr)
```

The mean across samples for each gene is calculated using `rowMeans()` and it is added as a new column named “Mean”.

```
head(gene_expr)
```

```
##                                GTEX.1117F.0226.SM.5GZZ7 GTEX.1117F.0426.SM.5EGHI
## ENSG00000223972.5_DDX11L1                        0                        0
## ENSG00000227232.5_WASH7P                          187                      109
## ENSG00000278267.1_MIR6859-1                       0                        0
## ENSG00000243485.5_MIR1302-2HG                      1                        0
## ENSG00000237613.2_FAM138A                         0                        0
## ENSG00000268020.3_OR4G4P                          0                        1
##                                GTEX.1117F.0526.SM.5EGHJ      Mean
## ENSG00000223972.5_DDX11L1                        0  0.0000000
## ENSG00000227232.5_WASH7P                        143 146.3333333
## ENSG00000278267.1_MIR6859-1                      1  0.3333333
## ENSG00000243485.5_MIR1302-2HG                     0  0.3333333
## ENSG00000237613.2_FAM138A                         0  0.0000000
## ENSG00000268020.3_OR4G4P                          0  0.3333333
```

The `head(gene_expr)` command shows the first six genes with the new column added.

## 3. Listing the 10 genes with the highest mean expression

```
top10 <- head(gene_expr[order(-gene_expr$Mean), ], 10)
top10
```

```
##                                GTEX.1117F.0226.SM.5GZZ7 GTEX.1117F.0426.SM.5EGHI
## ENSG00000198804.2_MT-CO1                        267250                      1101779
## ENSG00000198886.2_MT-ND4                        273188                      991891
## ENSG00000198938.2_MT-CO3                        250277                      1041376
## ENSG00000198888.2_MT-ND1                        243853                      772966
## ENSG00000198899.2_MT-ATP6                       141374                      696715
## ENSG00000198727.2_MT-CYB                        127194                      638209
## ENSG00000198763.3_MT-ND2                        159303                      543786
## ENSG00000211445.11_GPX3                         464959                      39396
## ENSG00000198712.1_MT-CO2                        128858                      545360
## ENSG00000156508.17_EEF1A1                      317642                      39573
##                                GTEX.1117F.0526.SM.5EGHJ      Mean
## ENSG00000198804.2_MT-CO1                        218923 529317.3
## ENSG00000198886.2_MT-ND4                        277628 514235.7
## ENSG00000198938.2_MT-CO3                        223178 504943.7
## ENSG00000198888.2_MT-ND1                        194032 403617.0
## ENSG00000198899.2_MT-ATP6                       151166 329751.7
## ENSG00000198727.2_MT-CYB                        141359 302254.0
## ENSG00000198763.3_MT-ND2                        149564 284217.7
## ENSG00000211445.11_GPX3                         306070 270141.7
## ENSG00000198712.1_MT-CO2                        122816 265678.0
## ENSG00000156508.17_EEF1A1                      339347 232187.3
```

The above command sort the data frame by the new mean column in descending order.

```
rownames(top10)
```

```
## [1] "ENSG00000198804.2_MT-C01" "ENSG00000198886.2_MT-ND4"  
## [3] "ENSG00000198938.2_MT-C03" "ENSG00000198888.2_MT-ND1"  
## [5] "ENSG00000198899.2_MT-ATP6" "ENSG00000198727.2_MT-CYB"  
## [7] "ENSG00000198763.3_MT-ND2" "ENSG00000211445.11_GPX3"  
## [9] "ENSG00000198712.1_MT-C02" "ENSG00000156508.17_EEF1A1"
```

The above command display the names of the top 10 genes.

#### 4. Determining the number of genes with a mean <10

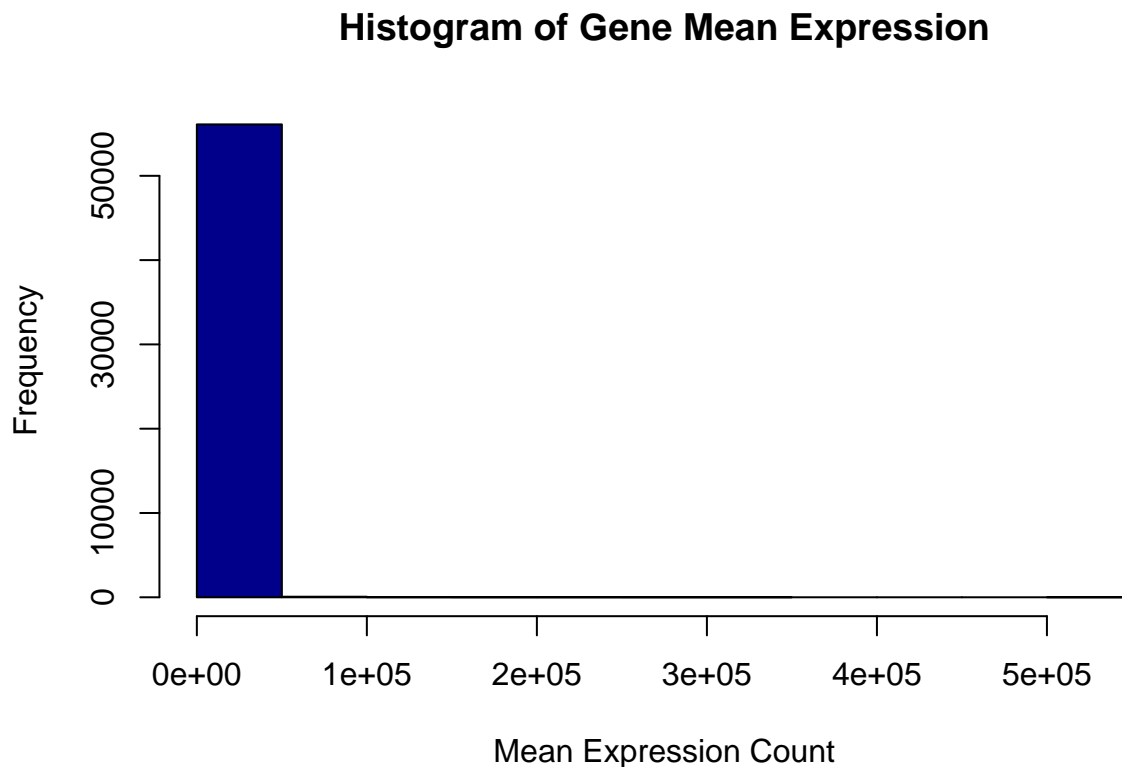
```
low_genes_count <- sum(gene_expr$Mean < 10)  
low_genes_count
```

```
## [1] 35988
```

The `sum(gene_expr$Mean < 10)` is used on the mean column to count genes with mean expression less than 10.

#### 5. Plotting Histogram of Mean Expression

```
hist(gene_expr$Mean,  
     main="Histogram of Gene Mean Expression",  
     xlab="Mean Expression Count",  
     col="darkblue", border="black")
```



```
png("myplot.png")
hist(gene_expr$Mean,
     main="Histogram of Gene Mean Expression",
     xlab="Mean Expression Count",
     col="darkblue", border="black")
dev.off()
```

```
## pdf
## 2
```

The plot is saved as a PNG using `png("myplot.png")`.

## 6. Importing and Exploring Tree Growth Data

```
growth <- read.csv("growth_data.csv", header=TRUE)
colnames(growth)
```

```
## [1] "Site"          "TreeID"         "Circumf_2005_cm" "Circumf_2010_cm"
## [5] "Circumf_2015_cm" "Circumf_2020_cm"
```

The `read.csv("growth_data.csv", header=TRUE)` command import csv file and column names are display by the `colnames(growth)`.

## 7. Calculating the mean and standard deviation of tree circumference at the start and end of the study at both sites

```
# Calculating mean and SD for Circumference in 2005 by Site
```

```
mean_2005_northeast <- mean(subset(growth, Site == "northeast")$Circumf_2005_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
mean_2005_northeast
```

```
## [1] 5.292
```

```
sd_2005_northeast <- sd(subset(growth, Site == "northeast")$Circumf_2005_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
sd_2005_northeast
```

```
## [1] 0.9140267
```

```
mean_2005_southwest <- mean(subset(growth, Site == "southwest")$Circumf_2005_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
mean_2005_southwest
```

```
## [1] 4.862
```

```
sd_2005_southwest <- sd(subset(growth, Site == "southwest")$Circumf_2005_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
sd_2005_southwest
```

```
## [1] 1.147471
```

```
# Calculating mean and SD for Circumference in 2020 by Site
```

```
mean_2020_northeast <- mean(subset(growth, Site == "northeast")$Circumf_2020_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
mean_2020_northeast
```

```
## [1] 54.228
```

```
sd_2020_northeast <- sd(subset(growth, Site == "northeast")$Circumf_2020_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
sd_2020_northeast
```

```
## [1] 25.22795
```

```
mean_2020_southwest <- mean(subset(growth, Site == "southwest")$Circumf_2020_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
mean_2020_southwest
```

```
## [1] 45.596
```

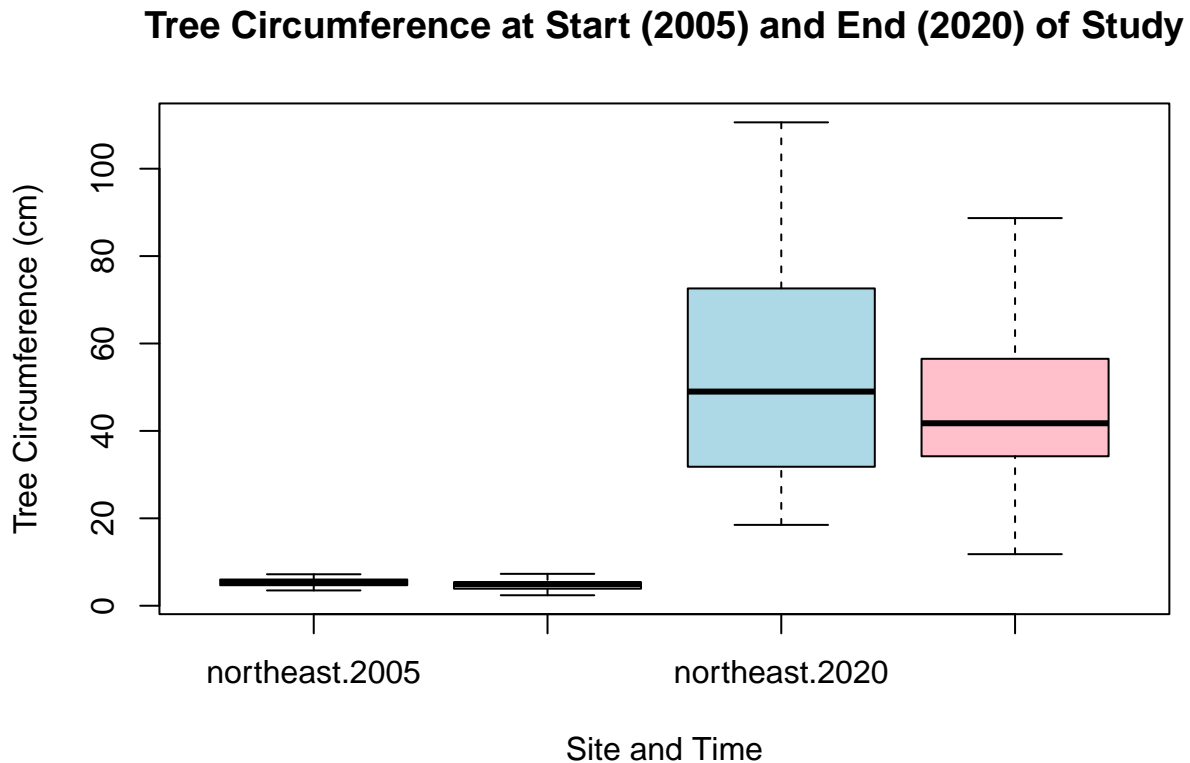
```
sd_2020_southwest <- sd(subset(growth, Site == "southwest")$Circumf_2020_cm, na.rm = TRUE)
sd_2020_southwest
```

```
## [1] 17.87345
```

## 8. Box plot of tree circumference at the start and end of the study at both sites

```
# Combine start and end circumference data with Site info in long format
circum_data <- data.frame(
  Circumference = c(growth$Circumf_2005_cm, growth$Circumf_2020_cm),
  Time = factor(rep(c("2005", "2020"), each = nrow(growth))),
  Site = rep(growth$Site, 2)
)

# Create boxplot of Circumference by Site and Time
boxplot(Circumference ~ Site + Time, data = circum_data,
  col = c("lightblue", "pink"),
  xlab = "Site and Time",
  ylab = "Tree Circumference (cm)",
  main = "Tree Circumference at Start (2005) and End (2020) of Study")
```



## 9. Calculating the mean growth over the last 10 years at each site

```
# Calculating growth over last 10 years (2020 - 2010)
growth$Growth_10yr <- growth$Circumf_2020_cm - growth$Circumf_2010_cm

# Calculating mean growth by site
mean_growth_northeast <- mean(subset(growth, Site == "northeast")$Growth_10yr, na.rm = TRUE)
mean_growth_northeast

## [1] 42.94

mean_growth_southwest <- mean(subset(growth, Site == "southwest")$Growth_10yr, na.rm = TRUE)
mean_growth_southwest

## [1] 35.49
```

## 10. T-test of 10-Year Growth at Two Sites

```
t_result <- t.test(Growth_10yr ~ Site, data = growth)
t_result

##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: Growth_10yr by Site
## t = 1.8882, df = 87.978, p-value = 0.06229
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group northeast and group southwest is not 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.3909251 15.2909251
## sample estimates:
## mean in group northeast mean in group southwest
## 42.94 35.49
```