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Final Project - Individual Portion

Data Science for Biology

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Individual Project Instructions

We expect you all to work individually on the individual portion of the final project. You may consult your notes from class, PANDAS documentation, and internet sources like StackExchange. You may not use any large language model (e.g. ChatGPT, Github copilot, etc).

As the last portion of the project, you will hand write and sign the following statement, take a picture of it and upload it as part of your individual project submission.

"I pledge my honor, I have neither given nor received inappropriate assistance in the completion of the individual portion of this final project."

[sign your name. Date]

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!pip install seaborn==0.13.2
import math
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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Part 1: Multiplicity of Infection

CRISPR-Cas9 targeting is supported by guide RNA (gRNA) which bind to complementary sequences in the genome. This binding causes gRNA to form a complex with the Cas9 enzyme, triggering a conformational change and allowing it to cleave the DNA. From there, genes can be inserted or deleted and DNA repair mechanisms are engaged.

Your labmate is designing a targeted CRISPR screen in K562 cells. They come to you for help designing the experiment. The cells all carry a Cas9 transgene. Your labmate is transducing cells with lentiviruses-carrying guide RNAs and a puromycin resistance gene. Lentiviruses integrate into the genome at nearly random locations.

In this particular case, it is really important to ensure that fewer than 10% of the cells receive 2 or more guide RNAs. Help your labmate choose the appropriate multiplicity of infection (MOI).

QUESTION 1a: What probability distribution will help you solve this problem? (1 point)

Well since we want to ensure that fewer than 10% if the cells receive 2 or more guide RNAs, the Poisson distribution is the appropriate probability distribution here given our assumptions

QUESTION 1b: Write a function calculateIntegrationRates that takes the multiplicity of infection (MOI) as an input and returns the fraction of cells with 1 integration and the fraction of cells with 2 or more integrations, **rounded to 5 decimal places**. Assume that 95% of virus particles integrate. (5 points)

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In [15]: # YOUR CODE HERE
def calculateIntegrationRates(MOI):
    moi_effective = MOI * 0.95

# now we calc the P(x=k) for k=0, 1 and then we needa one for k>= 2
    p_0 = math.exp(-moi_effective)
    p_1 = moi_effective * math.exp(-moi_effective)
    p_2_and_more = 1 - p_0 - p_1

fraction_lintegration = round(p_1, 5)
    fraction_2integrations = round(p_2_and_more, 5)
    return fraction_lintegration, fraction_2integrations
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QUESTION 1c: What is the highest MOI (to 3 decimal places) your labmate can use to ensure <10% of cells have 2 or more integrations? Assign your result to poisson_prob . (3 points)

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In [16]: calculateIntegrationRates(0.559)
Out[16]: (0.31225, 0.09976)
In [17]: # YOUR CODE HERE
# note I tried solve for a numerical solution but got a transcendental equation
# which has no closed form solution, so I just brute forced it as seen above
q1c_highest_MOI = 0.559
    print(f"The highest MOI (to 3 d.p) to ensure <10% of cells have at least 2 integ
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QUESTION 2a: Next, you will model the puromycin survival rate. Start by assuming that 100% of cells with a puromycin resistance gene survive and 100% of cells without an integration die. Start with an MOI of 0.4. What fraction of cells have 1 integration? Assign your result to frac_1_integration Out of all of the cells that survive, what fraction of them have only 1 integration? Assign that result to frac_1_integration_survived. As usual, round your answers to 3 decimal places. (2 points)

s 0.559

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In [18]: # YOUR CODE HERE
MOI = 0.4
moi_effective = MOI * 0.95

# Again I gues we just calculate the poisson probabilties
p_0 = math.exp(-moi_effective)
p_1 = moi_effective * math.exp(-moi_effective)

frac_1_integration = round(p_1, 3)
frac_1_integration_survived = round(p_1 / (1 - p_0), 3)

print(f"{frac_1_integration} of cells had 1 integration.")
print(f"{frac_1_integration_survived} of survived cells had 1 integration.")
```

0.26 of cells had 1 integration.0.822 of survived cells had 1 integration.

QUESTION 2b: Drug selection in human cell culture is never perfect. Next, assume that 85% of cells with a puromycin resistance gene survive and 95% of cells without an integration die. Use an MOI of 0.4. Among the cells that survive, what fraction have 1 integration? Assign your result to q1e_frac_1_integration_survival, a float that is rounded to 3 decimal places. (3 points)

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In [19]: # YOUR CODE HERE
MOI = 0.4
moi_effective = MOI * 0.95

p_0 = math.exp(-moi_effective)
p_1 = moi_effective * math.exp(-moi_effective)
p_2_and_more = 1 - p_0 - p_1

# now we just use conditional probability i think
# we want the P(x=1 | survived)

survive_0 = p_0 * (1 - 0.95)
survive_1 = p_1 * 0.85
survive_2 = p_2_and_more * 0.85

total_survive = survive_0 + survive_1 + survive_2

qle_frac_1_integration_survival = round(survive_1 / total_survive, 3)

print(f"{qle_frac_1_integration_survival} of surviving cells had 1 integration."
```

0.729 of surviving cells had 1 integration.

QUESTION 3: Your labmate's screen has 400 target genes, each with 18 guide RNAs, all marked by puromycin resistance. The screen also includes 100 control guide RNAs.

They want each guide RNA integrated into at least 500 cells. What is the minimum number of integrations they need? What is the minimum number of cells they need to start with in the experiment? Edit the provided print statement with your answer, **making** sure to provide each answer with 3 significant figures.

As above, you should also assume that only 85% of cells with a puromycin resistance gene survive and puromycin kills 95% of cells without the resistance gene. Use an MOI of

0.4. Assign your final result to q3 min cells, which should be an integer.

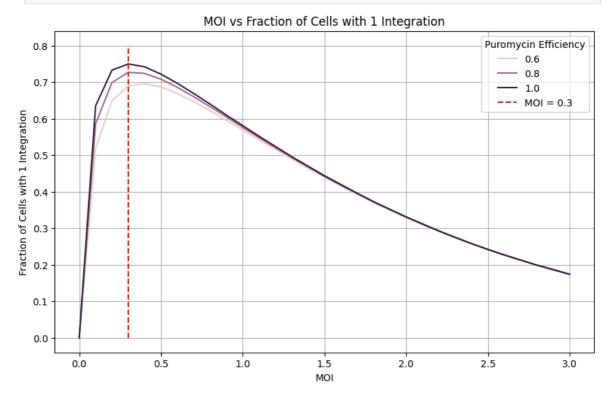
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In [20]: # YOUR CODE HERE
         num_grnas = 400 * 18 + 100 # assuming the control wasn;t part of the 400
         num_integrated_cells_per_grna = 500
         survival_rate_with_integration = 0.85
         survival_rate_without_integration = 1 - 0.95
         MOI = 0.4
         moi_effective = MOI * 0.95
         # min num integrations
         total_integrations = round(num_grnas * num_integrated_cells_per_grna, -3)
         # ok and since we use poisson, the E[x] = Lambda = our effective moi hereee
         expected_integrations_per_cell = moi_effective
         # now we get the poisson probabilities
         p_0 = math.exp(-expected_integrations_per_cell)
         p_1 = expected_integrations_per_cell * math.exp(-expected_integrations_per_cell)
         p_2_and_more = 1 - p_0 - p_1
         total_survival_frac = (p_0 * survival_rate_without_integration) + (p_1 * survival_rate_without_integration)
         cells_required = total_integrations / expected_integrations_per_cell
         q3_min_cells = round(math.ceil(cells_required / total_survival_frac), -5)
         print(f"There are a total of {total_integrations} integrations.")
         print(f"Your labmate should use at least {q3_min_cells} cells.")
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There are a total of 3650000 integrations. Your labmate should use at least 31700000 cells.

QUESTION 4: Make a seaborn line plot showing the fraction of surviving cells with one integration (y-axis) vs MOI. Plot 3 different puromycin efficiencies (100%, 80%, 60%) in different colors, with MOI values between 0 to 3. Ensure your visualization has appropriate title, labels and legend. As above, assume puromycin kills 95% of cells without the resistance gene. (3 points)

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In [21]: # YOUR CODE HERE
         puromycin_efficiencies = [0.6, 0.8, 1]
         MOIs = np.arange(0, 3.1, 0.1)
         integration efficiency = 0.95
         survival_rate_without_integration = 1 - 0.95
         df = []
         for efficiency in puromycin efficiencies:
             for MOI in MOIs:
                 moi_effective = MOI * integration_efficiency
                 # poisson probs
                 p_0 = math.exp(-moi_effective)
                 p_1 = moi_effective * math.exp(-moi_effective)
                 p_2_and_more = 1 - p_0 - p_1
                 # survival rates
                 survive_0 = p_0 * survival_rate_without_integration
                 survive_1 = p_1 * efficiency
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survive_2 = p_2_and_more * efficiency
        total_survive = survive_0 + survive_1 + survive_2
        fraction_survived_with_integration = round(survive_1 / total_survive, 3)
        df.append({
            'MOI': MOI,
            'Puromycin Efficiency': efficiency,
            'Fraction Survived with Integration': fraction_survived_with_integra
        })
# imma make a dataframe since that's easier to work wit
df = pd.DataFrame(df)
# plotting stuff
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.ylabel("Fraction of Cells with 1 Integration")
plt.xlabel("MOI")
plt.title("MOI vs Fraction of Cells with 1 Integration")
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='MOI', y='Fraction Survived with Integration', hue='Puro
plt.vlines(x=0.3, color='red', linestyle='--', ymin=0, ymax=0.8, label='MOI = 0.
plt.legend(title='Puromycin Efficiency', loc='upper right')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
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QUESTION 4b: Describe what you see in the plot.

Firstly, I observe that the fraction of surviving cells with exactly 1 integration rises quickly with increasing MOI and peaks around a neighborhood of 0.3. After this peak, the fraction declines steadily since higher MOIs lead to more cells getting multiple integrations. So really there seems to be a sweet spot in choosing our MOI parameter in order to maximize the single gRNA integration in surviving cells. That sweet spots seems to be an MOI of 0.3

What parameter is most important for ensuring cells get 1 integration per cell?

As hinted from the questions, it definitely seems like the most important parameter here is the multiplicity of infection (MOI) since this directly controls how many viral particles each cell receives on average

Part 2: Data Science Practices

QUESTION 5: Suppose you have a pandas DataFrame containing containing drug screening data with columns representing different compounds and rows representing cell lines. There is also a control column. The values in the DataFrame are the cell viability percentage, which correspond to the impact of the drugs on the cell lines. You have another DataFrame that contains a row for each cell line, with data for the organ and organism it was from.

Answer each of the sub-questions below. For each question, explicitly reference at least one pandas, scipy or seaborn method.

in answering the questions below, I denote the pandas DataFrame as df

- a) How would you inspect the data to get a broad overview? (1 point)
 In general, I would call df.head() to view the first 5 rows. For summary statistics for each compound, I would call df.describe(). I also like checking for missing values and duplicate values, which can be done with df.isna().sum() and df.duplicated() respectively
- b) How would you determine which drug is the most toxic across all of the cell lines? (2 points)

It would depend on the skew of the data, so assuming my data is not skewed, I would first drop the control column, then simply take the column means and get the minimum of those means since it was state the the values represent cell viability percentage. Intuitively, the cell with the lowest viability percentage should correspond to the cell that was most impacted by the drug. If the data was skewed however, I would use a more robust measure like the median. It would look like this method chain:

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df.drop(columns='control').mean().idxmin()
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c) For any given drug, how would you determine which organism it impacted the most? (3 points)

I would have to perform a df.merge() between the drug data with the other dataframe. Then we simply have to take the merged_df.groupby('organism') and again do something similar to part b where we take the mean and get the minimum for that drug

d) How would you statistically determine if a cell line is significantly impacted by a specific drug? (2 points)

To do this I would perform a paired t-test by comparing the drug column and the control

column. Conveniently, scipy has a method that allows us to perform the test out of the box by doing:

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ttest_rel(df['Drug'], df['control'])
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Then at a 95% confidence interval, if the p-value is less than 0.05, we can conclude that the drug significantly reduces viability compared to the control in that cell line

e) Describe and outline a visualization you would create and why it might be relevant. (1 point)

I would create a single violin plot per drug displayed side by side to visualize the distribution of cell viability for each drug across the cell lines. My goal would to be to reveal whether the response is skewed or highly variable which may inform further data preprocessing protocols

Part 3: Cas9 Cutting

PAM is a short DNA sequence that is recognized by the Cas9 enzyme and is essential for its function in CRISPR gene editing. Cas9 requires a specific PAM sequence adjacent to the target DNA sequence in order to bind and initiate the DNA cleavage process. The PAM sequence varies depending on the type of Cas9 protein used, with different Cas9 orthologs recognizing different PAM sequences. Commonly used Cas9 proteins, such as the *Streptococcus pyogenes* Cas9 (SpCas9), recognize a PAM sequence consisting of the nucleotides NGG (where N can be any nucleotide).

CRISPR-Cas9 finds and cuts target protospacer DNA precisely 3 base pairs upstream of a PAM.

QUESTION 6a: How often do you expect an NGG PAM motif to appear in a random DNA sequence that is 30,000 nucleotides long? Assume that the probability of observing NGG at any position in the sequence is independent of one another. Assume GC = 45%. Assign your answer to GC = 45%.

```
In [22]: # YOUR CODE HERE
    dna_seq_length = 30_000
    gc_content = 0.45

probability_G = 0.5 * gc_content
    probability_C = 0.5 * gc_content
    probability_N = 1

probability_NGG = probability_N * probability_G * probability_G
    expected_NGG_motifs = dna_seq_length * probability_NGG
    q6a_answer = int(round(expected_NGG_motifs, 0))

print(f"In a 10,000 nt long random DNA sequence, we expect to see {q6a_answer} n
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In a 10,000 nt long random DNA sequence, we expect to see 1519 number of NGG moti fs.

QUESTION 6b: What is the expected number of possible cut site locations in a 30,000 nt random DNA could be edited using an NGG PAM sequence. Use the same assumption as in Q6a, and make sure to consider both DNA strands. (1 point)

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In [23]: # YOUR CODE HERE
    dna_seq_length = 30_000
    gc_content = 0.45

probability_G = 0.5 * gc_content
    probability_C = 0.5 * gc_content

probability_PAM = probability_G * probability_G

expected_PAM_motifs = dna_seq_length * probability_PAM * 2 # RMB TIMES 2 to acco
    q6b_answer = int(round(expected_PAM_motifs, 0))

print(f"In a 10,000 nt long random DNA sequence, we expect to see {q6b_answer} p
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In a 10,000 nt long random DNA sequence, we expect to see 3038 possible cut site s.

QUESTION 6c: Build a function calculateCoverage(PAM_seq, DNA_length) that calculates the expected proportion of the DNA cut sites that could be genetically engineered with those given parameters. The PAM sequence can be any sequence of "N", "A", "T", "C" and/or "G", of any length. Use the same assumptions in Q6a and Q6b. (3 point)

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In [24]: # YOUR CODE HERE
         def calculateCoverage(PAM_seq, DNA_length):
             # probsbabilties
             probs = {
                 'A': 0.275,
                  'C': 0.275,
                  'G': 0.225,
                  'T': 0.225,
                  'N': 1.0
             # get the pam pronbs
             pam prob = 1
             for base in PAM seq:
                  pam_prob *= probs.get(base.upper(), 0) # i wanna standardize the base to
             expected_pams = 2 * DNA_length * pam_prob
             coverage = expected pams / DNA length
             return coverage
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QUESTION 7: Suppose you want to genetically edit a specific nucleotide in a 30,000 nt random DNA sequence. What is the minimum gRNA sequence length you would need for the gRNA sequence to only appear once in random DNA? Assign your answer to q7_min_grna_length. Assume the gRNA sequence does not include an "N". You can assume equal distribution here. (3 points)

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In [25]: # YOUR CODE HERE
    dna_seq_length = 30_000
    threshold = 1 # since we want to expect only 1 occurrence

# i will loop over some possible gRNA lengths
for L in range(1, 100):
    prob_seq = 0.25 ** L
    expected_occurrences = (dna_seq_length) * prob_seq
    if expected_occurrences <= threshold:
        q7_min_grna_length = L
        break

print(f"The minimum gRNA length needed to expect the sequence to only appear once)</pre>
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The minimum gRNA length needed to expect the sequence to only appear once is 8.

Part 4: CODIS

QUESTION 8: Describe two quantitative metrics that can be used to assess the degree of similarity between two CODIS STR fingerprints. Provide one limitation of each metric. At least one of the metrics should be one that was covered in class. (4 points)

BEGIN SOLUTION

Euclidean Distance

We talked about using euclidean distance in the CODIS lab where we treat the STR profile as vector of allele repeat numbers and compute the vector norm betwen two profiles in multidimensional space. It intuitively follows that if you have a large distance, then the STR profiles are dissimilar and vice versa. However one limitation of such approach is that it weights all loci equally in the calculation and thus assumes uniform contribution from each locus.

Match Probability

This is a probabilistic metric that computes the likelihood that the observed match could happen by change in a given population by incorporating allele frequencies from population databases. As such, it is highly dependent on the accurracy and representativeness of the population allele frequency database. Moreover, a biased database will not accurately reflect the genetic structure of the population so the calculated probabilities may be misleading.

QUESTION 9: What are some additional considerations and limitations of using CODIS to predict the degree of relation between two individuals? (2 points)

BEGIN SOLUTION

Well, CODIS typically uses 20 core STR loci, which are sufficient for identity matching but it's not really optimized for accurately resolving complex familial relationships. Therefore this sort of limited loci resolution reduces confidence in predicting the degree relatedness beyond close relatives

Also, unrelated individuals can share alleles purely by chance, especially in genetically homogeneous populations which again can lead to misleading results in kinship inference particularly if rarer alleles are not weighted properly or even if the population substructure is not accounted for.

Part 5: Assessing Model Performance

For the following questions, please refer to the table below, which shows results for 4 different supervisied machine learning models that were used to classify different cell types.

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In [26]: #Just run this cell
part6_df = pd.DataFrame({
        "Model": ["Model 1", "Model 2", "Model 3", "Model 4"],
        "TP": [52, 91, 484, 959],
        "TN": [47, 885, 107, 959],
        "FP": [42, 18, 410, 32],
        "FN": [54, 405, 78, 58]
})
part6_df
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Out[26]:

		Model	TP	TN	FP	FN
	0	Model 1	52	47	42	54
	1	Model 2	91	885	18	405
	2	Model 3	484	107	410	78
	3	Model 4	959	959	32	58

QUESTION 10:

- a) How do each of these models compare to a model that randomly guesses a diagnosis? (1 point)
- b) Which model do you think performed the best for diagnosing classes of cells and why? (1 point)
- c) For model 1, describe a circumstance where you think this model would be considered the best performing model. (1 point)
- d) For model 2, describe a circumstance where you think this model would be considered the best performing model. (1 point)
- e) For model 3, describe a circumstance where you think this model would be considered the best performing model. (1 point)

Question 10 Response:

a) Model 1 seems to closely resemble a model that is randomly guessing because the counts for true positives, true negatives, false positives, and false negatives are all roughly equal within some epsilon-neighborhood. It's making decisions with little to no discriminative power. In contrasts, models 2, 3, and 4 seem out perform random

guessing, having much higher counts of either true postiives or true negatives which indicate they learned some sort of meaningful decision boundaries.

- b) Model 4 performed the best. It has high true positives and true negaties with low false positives and low false negatives. This suggests the model has high sensitivity and specificty so it achieves a balanced accuracy across both classes
- c) I really don't believe model is useful in any practical setting. Its predictions are indistinguishable from random guessing. Maybe at best, we might use this as a baseline model to compare against other more meaningful models but I do not think this would or should be deployed.
- d) Model 2 excels at identifying true negatives and has low false positives. This model would be great in contexts where false positives are very costly. For example when a positive diagnosis could lead to expensive or invasive procedure.
- e) Model 3 has a high true positive and low false negative count so this could be preferred in screening for highly dangerous or contagious diseases when missing a true case can seriously pose a significant public health risk. We prioritize sensitivity here.

Part 6: Machine Learning

QUESTION 11:

What is the difference between supervised and unsupervised machine learning? Give two biological scenarios, outside of the ones we did in class, where each method would be appropriate. (4 points)

Question 14 Response:

- a) We can use supervised learning in drug discovery to predict drug-target affinity by training models on datasets of ligands with experimentally measured binding affinities with respect to some target protein. The model learns to predict the strength of interaction between new drug-target pairs for scalabale screening of lead compounds and future wet lab validation
- b) A cool example of how unsupervised machine learning can be used is in clustering single-cell RNA-seq data. We can use clustering algorithms like PCA/UMAP/T-SNE to reveal distinct cellular states/types in the tumor microenvironment without preannotated labels. This could help us uncover some subpopulations relevant to cancer progression

QUESTION 12: Suppose you want to conduct an analysis on this enhancer database to develop some kind of machine learning model. Outline a machine learning tool that you could build to explore or analyze this data. (6 points)

Feel free to read the corresponding PubMed article to learn more about the data.

- 1. State your goal: I want to develop a supervised machine learning model that predicts the activity of p53-bound enhancers during the DNA damage response by utilizing hand-engineered features extracted from enhancer DNA sequences.
- State what data you would use: We obtain sequences of p53-bound enhancers from the RAEdb database, specifically from the GSE83780 dataset that focuses on fibroblasts. These alreadt have activity labels which were derived from massively parallel reporter assays (MPRAs) under DNA damage conditions as reported in that study,

3. Outline your tool:

- First I extract features from the enhancer sequence like motif counts, K-mer frequencies, GC content, and other scores.
- I split the data into training and testing sets
- Then I develop multiple supervised learning models such as Random Forest, or Extreme Gradient Boosting based on the feature data and regressor target.
- I then pick the best model based on the R^2 metric and using gridsearch hyperparameter optimization I will optimize the best model
- 4. How could you evaluate your model?:
- I will evaluate the mean squared error to see the difference between predicted and true activity values. This will penalize larger errors more heavily.
- R^2 score as I mentioned in the previous step would help me indicate how the proportion of variance in enhancer activity is explained by the model.
- finally a pearson correlation score will help me predict the enhancer activities correlate with the true values.
- A plot will be creating for a residual analysis plotting predicted vs. actual activity values to reveal biases or any systematic errors in our model perfection