

R Submission 2

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Overview

In this submission, I: 1. Write a function (`create_plot`) that generates the three figures from Presentation 1, taking as input

- (a) a data frame,
 - (b) a list of ≥ 1 gene names,
 - (c) one continuous covariate, and
 - (d) two categorical covariates.
2. Loop over 3 selected genes to produce all plots.
 3. Prepare one boxplot to discuss in class.

Data used: `QBS103_GSE157103_genes.csv` (gene expression) and `QBS103_GSE157103_series_matrix-1.csv` (metadata).

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#submission 2
#Load gene expression data
gene_data <- read.csv(file = "QBS103_GSE157103_genes.csv",row.names=1)

#Load metadata for participants
series <- read.csv(file = "QBS103_GSE157103_series_matrix-1.csv")

# Build plots for a list of genes
create_plot<-function(gene_data, metadata,gene_list,
                      continue_v,categorical_v1,categorical_v2){
  histog_list=list()
  scatter_list=list()
  boxplot_list=list()
  for(i in gene_list){
    # 1. Pull one gene row (expression across all samples)
    new_gene <- gene_data[i, ]

    # 2. Histogram for that gene
    histog_list[[i]]<-ggplot(data.frame(value = as.numeric(new_gene)),
                           aes(x = value)) +
    geom_histogram(bins = 50, color = "black", fill = "skyblue") +
    labs(title = paste(i, "Expression"),
         x      = paste(i, "value"),
         y      = "Frequency")
  }
}
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# 3. Long format + merge with metadata
gene_line1 <- new_gene %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = everything(),
               names_to = "participant_id",
               values_to = "expr")

new_df<-merge(metadata,gene_line1,by="participant_id")
new_df$expr <- as.numeric(new_df$expr)
new_df$cont_num <- suppressWarnings(as.numeric(new_df[[continue_v]]))
new_df <- filter(new_df, !is.na(cont_num), !is.na(expr))

# 4. Scatterplot: expression vs continuous covariate
scatter_list[[i]]<-ggplot(new_df, aes(x = as.numeric(cont_num),
                                     y = expr)) +

  geom_point() +
  geom_smooth(method = "loess", se = TRUE, formula = y ~ x) +
  labs(title = paste(i," Expression"),
       x = continue_v,
       y = paste(i," Gene Expression"))

# 5. Boxplot: expression by two categorical covariates
boxplot_list[[i]]<-ggplot(new_df,aes(x=.data[[categorical_v1]],
                                     y=expr,
                                     color=.data[[categorical_v2]]))+

  geom_boxplot()+
  labs(
    title = paste(i," Expression"),
    x = categorical_v1,
    y =paste( i," Gene Expression"),
    color = categorical_v2)

}

arrange_plot(histog_list,"Histogram of Gene Expression")
arrange_plot(scatter_list,paste("Scatterplot of Gene Expression versus ",
                                continue_v))
arrange_plot(boxplot_list,paste("Gene Expression by ",
                                categorical_v1,
                                " and ",
                                categorical_v2))

}

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# Arrange a list of ggplots and add a common title
arrange_plot<-function(plot_list,title_text){
  n <- length(plot_list)
  final_plot <- do.call(
    ggarrange,
    c(
      plot_list,
      list(
        labels = LETTERS[1:n],
        ncol = n,
        nrow = 1,

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    common.legend = TRUE,
    legend = "right"
  )
)
)
final_plot_with_title <- annotate_figure(
  final_plot,
  top = text_grob(title_text,
    face = "bold", size = 16)
)
print(final_plot_with_title)
}

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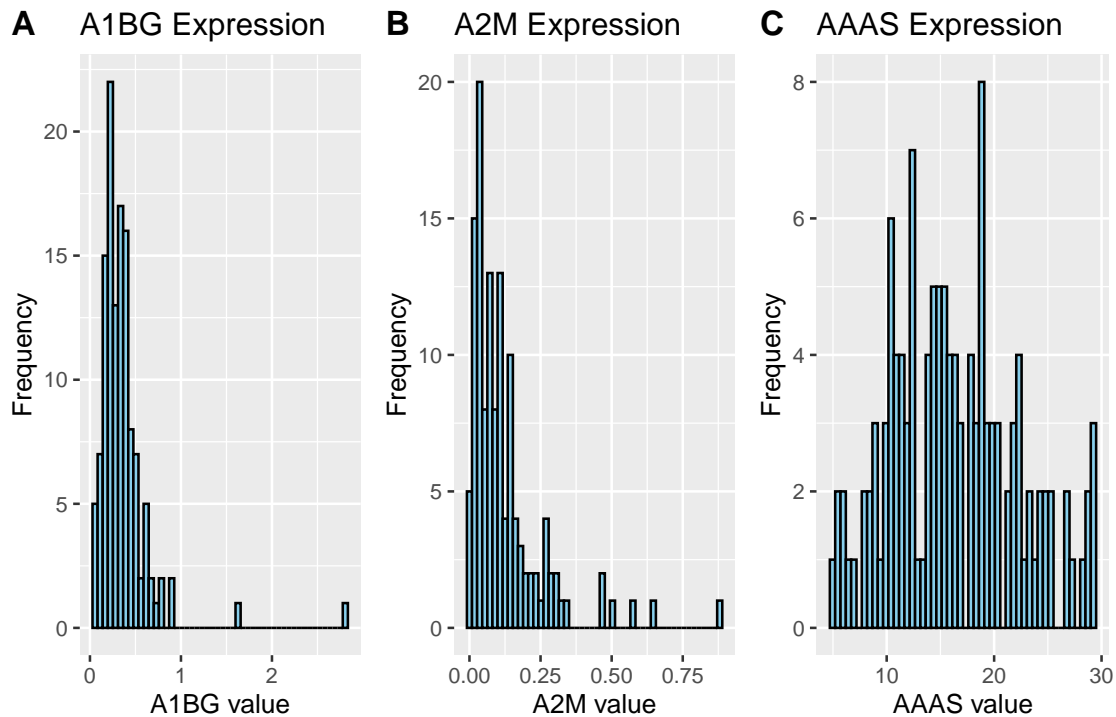
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# Pick three genes by row index (1, 3, 8)
gene_list=list(rownames(gene_data)[1],
  rownames(gene_data)[3],
  rownames(gene_data)[8])

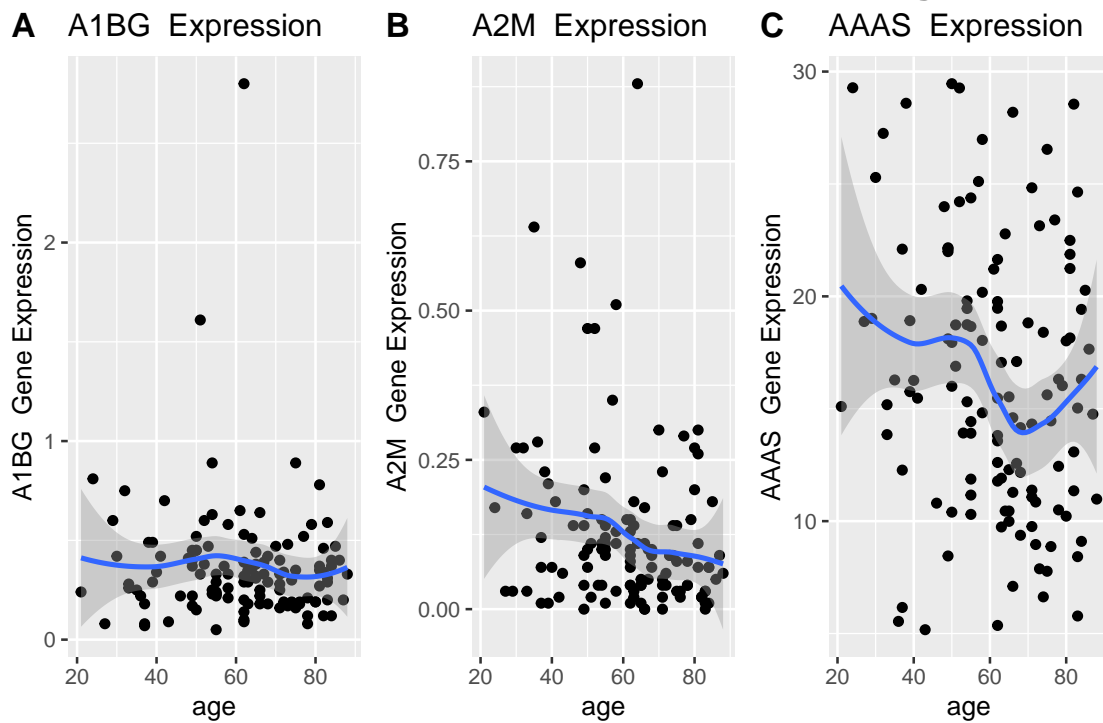
# Create all required plots: df, gene list, 1 continuous ("age"),
# 2 categorical ("sex", "icu_status")
create_plot(gene_data, series, gene_list, "age", "sex", "icu_status")

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Histogram of Gene Expression



Scatterplot of Gene Expression versus age



Gene Expression by sex and icu_status

