# Variance All the Way Down: Exploring the Impact of RNA-Seq Pipeline Choices on Differential Expression Variance

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### Methods

Assume there are n samples of G gene counts. Let  $B_{gi}$  denote the count for gene g in sample i reported to the NIH database, and let  $C_{giX}$  denote the count obtained from pipeline with choices X. Similar let  $D_g$  and  $E_{gX}$  denote the p-values obtained from edgeR. Now,

$$Y_{1X}^2 = \frac{1}{nG} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{g=1}^G (C_{giX} - B_{gi})^2$$
 (1)

and

$$Y_{2X}^2 = \frac{1}{G} \sum_{g=1}^{G} (E_{gX} - D_g)^2$$
 (2)

Our primary analysis will focus on the two following regression models:

$$Y_{1X} = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i X_i + \sum_{1 \le i < j \le p} \beta_{ij} (X_i \times X_j) + \epsilon$$

$$\tag{3}$$

and

$$Y_{2X} = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i X_i + \sum_{1 \le i < j \le p} \beta_{ij} (X_i \times X_j) + \epsilon$$

$$\tag{4}$$

where p is the number of pipeline choices from tbl-1. The first model studies the effect of each pipeline choice, include all pairwise interactions, on the average square deviation from the official NIH count matrix. The second model does the same, but for the p-values from a differential expression analysis.

## Code

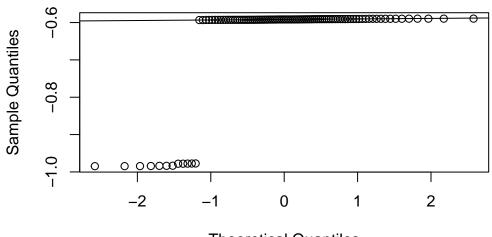
#### **EDA**

```
sample_names <- c(
    "gene",
    "SRR31476642",
    "SRR31476643",
    "SRR31476644",
    "SRR31476646",
    "SRR31476646",
    "SRR31476648",
    "SRR31476649",
    "SRR31476650"
)</pre>
```

```
treatments <- c(</pre>
    "DMSO",
    "DMSO",
    "DMSO",
    "DMSO",
    "EPZ015666",
    "EPZ015666",
    "EPZ015666",
    "DMSO",
    "DMSO"
factors <- c("aligner", "trim_poly_g", "trim_poly_x", "norm_method")</pre>
count_sd_df_salmon_kallisto <- read.csv("./data/gen_samples/count_sd_df.csv")</pre>
count_sd_df_STAR_HISAT2 <- read.csv("./STAR_HISAT2_combined_results.csv")</pre>
count_sd_df <- rbind(count_sd_df_salmon_kallisto, count_sd_df_STAR_HISAT2)</pre>
count_sd_df <- count_sd_df |>
    mutate(across(any_of(factors), ~ as.factor(.)))
DE_sd_df_salmon_kallisto <- read.csv("./data/gen_samples/DE_sd_df.csv")
DE_sd_df <- DE_sd_df_salmon_kallisto</pre>
DE_sd_df <- DE_sd_df |>
    mutate(across(any_of(factors), ~ as.factor(.)))
count_sd_df |>
    group_by(aligner) |>
    summarize(mean_count_sd = mean(count_sd))
# A tibble: 4 x 2
  aligner mean_count_sd
  <fct>
                   <dbl>
1 HISAT2
                    2986.
2 kallisto
                   2230.
3 salmon
                   2312.
4 STAR
                   3404.
count_sd_df |>
    group_by(trim_poly_g) |>
    summarize(mean count sd = mean(count sd))
# A tibble: 2 x 2
  trim_poly_g mean_count_sd
  <fct>
                       <dbl>
1 0
                       2897.
2 1
                       2873.
count_sd_df |>
    group_by(trim_poly_x) |>
    summarize(mean_count_sd = mean(count_sd))
# A tibble: 2 x 2
  trim_poly_x mean_count_sd
  <fct>
                       <dbl>
```

```
1 0
                      2928.
2 1
                      2842.
count_sd_df |>
    group_by(aligner) |>
    summarize(mean_runtime = mean(runtime_sec))
# A tibble: 4 x 2
  aligner mean_runtime
  <fct>
                 <dbl>
1 HISAT2
                   NA
2 kallisto
                   181.
3 salmon
                  1269.
4 STAR
                    NA
DE_sd_df |>
    group_by(aligner, norm_method, trim_poly_x) |>
    summarize(mean_p_value_sd = mean(p_value_sd))
# A tibble: 24 x 4
            aligner, norm_method [12]
# Groups:
   aligner norm_method trim_poly_x mean_p_value_sd
   <fct>
            <fct>
                        <fct>
                                              <dbl>
 1 kallisto ALDEx2
                                              0.374
 2 kallisto ALDEx2
                                              0.374
                        1
 3 kallisto none
                        0
                                              0.553
 4 kallisto none
                                              0.553
                        1
5 kallisto RLE
                        0
                                              0.553
6 kallisto RLE
                                              0.553
7 kallisto TMM
                        0
                                              0.553
8 kallisto TMM
                                              0.553
9 kallisto TMMwsp
                        0
                                              0.553
10 kallisto TMMwsp
                                              0.553
# i 14 more rows
qqnorm(log(DE_sd_df$p_value_sd), main = "p-value SD Q-Q Plot")
qqline(log(DE_sd_df$p_value_sd))
```

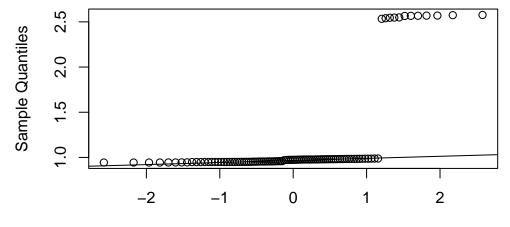
## p-value SD Q-Q Plot



Theoretical Quantiles

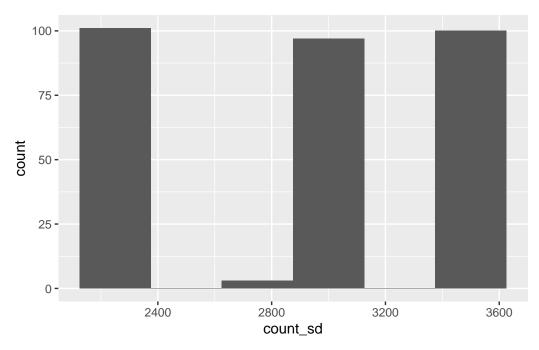
```
qqnorm(DE_sd_df$effect_size_sd^2, main = "Effect Size SD Q-Q Plot")
qqline(DE_sd_df$effect_size_sd^2)
```

## Effect Size SD Q-Q Plot

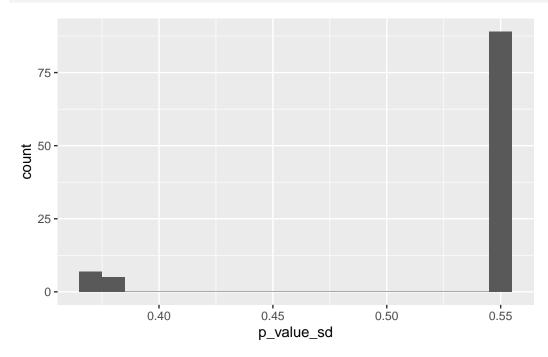


**Theoretical Quantiles** 

```
count_sd_df |> ggplot(
    aes(x = count_sd)
) + geom_histogram(binwidth = 250)
```



```
DE_sd_df |> ggplot(
    aes(x = p_value_sd)
) + geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.01)
```



## Frequentist

## Counts

```
# Classic LM
lm_fit <- count_sd_df |>
```

```
select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent)) |>
    (\(x) glm(count_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(), data = x))()
summary(lm_fit)
Call:
glm(formula = count_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(), data = x)
Coefficients:
                              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                            2993.46484
                                        56.11471 53.345
                                                          <2e-16 ***
alignerkallisto
                           -742.62396
                                        30.47180 -24.371
                                                           <2e-16 ***
alignersalmon
                                        29.62698 -22.358
                                                           <2e-16 ***
                           -662.39020
alignerSTAR
                                        24.28028 18.745
                                                           <2e-16 ***
                            455.13567
                                         2.14742 -0.100
                                                           0.920
min_phred
                             -0.21463
min_length
                              0.25311
                                        1.32070
                                                 0.192
                                                           0.848
trim_poly_g1
                             -17.25640
                                        20.02630 -0.862
                                                            0.390
                                                  1.166
trim_poly_x1
                              23.54365 20.18331
                                                           0.244
alignerkallisto:min_phred
                                         0.89165 -0.944
                                                           0.346
                              -0.84130
                                         0.93781 -0.789
alignersalmon:min_phred
                              -0.74020
                                                            0.431
                                         0.68790 -1.263
alignerSTAR:min_phred
                              -0.86916
                                                            0.207
alignerkallisto:min_length
                              0.23846
                                         0.48461
                                                 0.492
                                                            0.623
                                         0.44391
                                                 0.385
alignersalmon:min_length
                              0.17077
                                                            0.701
alignerSTAR:min_length
                              -0.33702
                                         0.38003 -0.887
                                                            0.376
alignerkallisto:trim_poly_g1
                              1.38542
                                         5.62166
                                                  0.246
                                                            0.806
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
                                         5.45869
                                                  0.769
                                                           0.443
                              4.19567
alignerSTAR:trim_poly_g1
                              2.35752
                                         4.34865 0.542
                                                           0.588
                                         5.39388 -0.952
alignerkallisto:trim_poly_x1
                             -5.13513
                                                            0.342
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
                              -2.44843
                                         5.65208 -0.433
                                                            0.665
alignerSTAR:trim_poly_x1
                                         4.38889 -0.987
                                                            0.324
                             -4.33325
min_phred:min_length
                                         0.05065 -0.226
                                                            0.821
                             -0.01147
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
                              0.69233
                                         0.58472
                                                  1.184
                                                            0.237
                                         0.58526
                                                 0.177
                                                            0.860
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
                              0.10339
min_length:trim_poly_g1
                             -0.08697
                                         0.31120 -0.279
                                                            0.780
                                         0.31548 -1.896
                                                            0.059 .
min_length:trim_poly_x1
                             -0.59818
                             -0.07453
                                         3.63010 -0.021
                                                            0.984
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 234.6174)
                           on 300 degrees of freedom
   Null deviance: 66457950
Residual deviance:
                     64520 on 275 degrees of freedom
AIC: 2523.9
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2
# Log-normal GLM
glm_log_fit <- count_sd_df |>
    select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent)) |>
    (\(x) glm(count_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(link = "log"), data = x))()
```

summary(glm log fit)

```
Call:
glm(formula = count_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(link = "log"),
   data = x
Coefficients:
                              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                            8.004e+00 1.911e-02 418.841 <2e-16 ***
                            -2.833e-01 1.259e-02 -22.494
alignerkallisto
                                                           <2e-16 ***
alignersalmon
                           -2.481e-01 1.188e-02 -20.887
                                                           <2e-16 ***
alignerSTAR
                           1.409e-01 7.645e-03 18.430
                                                           <2e-16 ***
min_phred
                           -5.907e-05 7.297e-04 -0.081
                                                           0.9355
                            9.293e-05 4.500e-04 0.207
                                                           0.8366
min_length
                           -5.819e-03 6.828e-03 -0.852
                                                           0.3948
trim_poly_g1
trim_poly_x1
                            8.095e-03 6.866e-03 1.179
                                                           0.2394
                            -3.900e-04 3.688e-04 -1.057
                                                           0.2913
alignerkallisto:min_phred
alignersalmon:min_phred
                            -3.549e-04 3.817e-04 -0.930
                                                           0.3533
alignerSTAR:min_phred
                            -2.435e-04 2.167e-04 -1.124
                                                           0.2620
alignerkallisto:min length
                            4.786e-05 2.008e-04 0.238
                                                           0.8117
                            3.077e-05 1.768e-04 0.174
alignersalmon:min_length
                                                           0.8620
alignerSTAR:min_length
                            -8.188e-05 1.197e-04 -0.684
                                                           0.4944
alignerkallisto:trim_poly_g1 3.273e-04 2.328e-03 0.141
                                                           0.8883
                            1.454e-03 2.199e-03 0.661
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
                                                           0.5090
                             8.419e-04 1.370e-03 0.615
alignerSTAR:trim_poly_g1
                                                           0.5393
alignerkallisto:trim_poly_x1 -1.971e-03 2.224e-03 -0.886
                                                           0.3764
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1 -9.356e-04 2.285e-03 -0.409
                                                           0.6826
alignerSTAR:trim_poly_x1
                            -1.348e-03 1.382e-03 -0.975
                                                           0.3304
                            -4.128e-06 1.724e-05 -0.240
                                                           0.8109
min_phred:min_length
                                                  1.160
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
                            2.284e-04 1.968e-04
                                                           0.2469
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
                            3.511e-05 1.978e-04 0.178
                                                           0.8592
min_length:trim_poly_g1
                            -2.545e-05 1.063e-04 -0.239
                                                           0.8109
min_length:trim_poly_x1
                            -2.053e-04 1.081e-04 -1.899
                                                           0.0586 .
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
                            -7.099e-05 1.235e-03 -0.057
                                                           0.9542
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 234.5776)
   Null deviance: 66457950 on 300 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance:
                     64509 on 275 degrees of freedom
AIC: 2523.8
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 3
# Quasi GLM
quasi_fit <- count_sd_df |>
   select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent)) |>
    (\x) glm(count_sd ~ (.)^2, family = quasi(), data = x))()
summary(quasi_fit)
Call:
glm(formula = count_sd ~ (.)^2, family = quasi(), data = x)
Coefficients:
                              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
```

```
(Intercept)
                            2993.46484
                                        56.11471 53.345
                                                           <2e-16 ***
                                        30.47180 -24.371
                                                           <2e-16 ***
alignerkallisto
                            -742.62396
alignersalmon
                           -662.39020
                                        29.62698 -22.358
                                                           <2e-16 ***
alignerSTAR
                           455.13567
                                        24.28028 18.745
                                                           <2e-16 ***
min_phred
                              -0.21463
                                         2.14742 -0.100
                                                            0.920
                                         1.32070
                                                  0.192
                                                            0.848
min length
                               0.25311
                                        20.02630 -0.862
                                                            0.390
trim poly g1
                             -17.25640
trim_poly_x1
                              23.54365
                                        20.18331
                                                  1.166
                                                            0.244
alignerkallisto:min_phred
                              -0.84130
                                         0.89165 -0.944
                                                            0.346
alignersalmon:min_phred
                              -0.74020
                                         0.93781 -0.789
                                                            0.431
alignerSTAR:min_phred
                              -0.86916
                                         0.68790 -1.263
                                                            0.207
                                                            0.623
alignerkallisto:min_length
                               0.23846
                                         0.48461
                                                  0.492
                                                  0.385
alignersalmon:min_length
                               0.17077
                                         0.44391
                                                            0.701
                              -0.33702
alignerSTAR:min_length
                                         0.38003 -0.887
                                                            0.376
                                         5.62166
                                                  0.246
                                                            0.806
alignerkallisto:trim_poly_g1
                              1.38542
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
                               4.19567
                                         5.45869
                                                  0.769
                                                            0.443
                                                  0.542
                                                            0.588
alignerSTAR:trim_poly_g1
                               2.35752
                                         4.34865
alignerkallisto:trim_poly_x1
                              -5.13513
                                         5.39388 -0.952
                                                            0.342
                                         5.65208 -0.433
                                                            0.665
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
                              -2.44843
alignerSTAR:trim_poly_x1
                              -4.33325
                                         4.38889
                                                  -0.987
                                                            0.324
min_phred:min_length
                              -0.01147
                                         0.05065 -0.226
                                                            0.821
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
                                         0.58472
                                                  1.184
                                                            0.237
                              0.69233
                                         0.58526 0.177
                                                            0.860
min phred:trim poly x1
                               0.10339
                                         0.31120 -0.279
                                                            0.780
min_length:trim_poly_g1
                              -0.08697
min_length:trim_poly_x1
                             -0.59818
                                         0.31548 -1.896
                                                            0.059 .
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
                              -0.07453
                                         3.63010 -0.021
                                                            0.984
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for quasi family taken to be 234.6174)
   Null deviance: 66457950
                            on 300 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance:
                     64520
                            on 275 degrees of freedom
AIC: NA
```

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2

#### **P-Values**

```
# Classic LM
lm_fit <- DE_sd_df |>
    select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent, effect_size_sd)) |>
    (\(x) glm(p_value_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(), data = x))()
summary(lm_fit)
```

```
Call:
glm(formula = p_value_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(), data = x)
Coefficients:
```

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 3.728e-01 5.737e-04 649.784 < 2e-16
alignersalmon 2.832e-03 2.051e-04 13.804 < 2e-16
min_phred 2.546e-05 2.089e-05 1.219 0.228202
```

```
min length
                                      -2.342e-07 1.495e-05 -0.016 0.987561
                                      -2.496e-04 1.982e-04 -1.259 0.213197
trim_poly_g1
trim poly x1
                                       4.324e-04 2.299e-04
                                                              1.881 0.065314
                                       1.806e-01 3.431e-04 526.491 < 2e-16
norm_methodnone
norm methodRLE
                                       1.804e-01 4.391e-04 410.781 < 2e-16
norm methodTMM
                                       1.807e-01 4.215e-04 428.799 < 2e-16
norm methodTMMwsp
                                       1.804e-01 3.435e-04 525.295 < 2e-16
norm methodupperquartile
                                       1.801e-01 3.680e-04 489.437 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:min phred
                                      -1.620e-06
                                                  6.428e-06 -0.252 0.801897
                                      -4.985e-06 3.110e-06 -1.603 0.114682
alignersalmon:min_length
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
                                      -3.041e-05 3.802e-05 -0.800 0.427282
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
                                      -2.208e-04 3.905e-05 -5.654 5.78e-07
alignersalmon:norm methodnone
                                      -1.190e-03 6.087e-05 -19.542 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
                                      -1.434e-03 7.271e-05 -19.720 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM
                                      -1.492e-03 7.149e-05 -20.867
                                                                     < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                      -1.544e-03 6.941e-05 -22.238
                                                                     < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile -1.685e-03 6.575e-05 -25.623 < 2e-16
min phred:min length
                                       2.280e-07 5.347e-07
                                                              0.426 0.671532
                                       1.059e-05 6.173e-06
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
                                                              1.715 0.091940
min phred:trim poly x1
                                      -2.048e-05 6.812e-06 -3.007 0.003972
min_phred:norm_methodnone
                                      -4.257e-05 1.206e-05 -3.529 0.000851
min phred:norm methodRLE
                                      -4.931e-05 1.497e-05 -3.294 0.001734
min_phred:norm_methodTMM
                                      -5.246e-05 1.346e-05 -3.899 0.000265
min phred:norm methodTMMwsp
                                      -4.681e-05
                                                  1.201e-05 -3.899 0.000265
min phred:norm methodupperquartile
                                      -4.395e-05 1.435e-05 -3.063 0.003393
min length:trim poly g1
                                      -1.495e-06 3.157e-06 -0.474 0.637611
min_length:trim_poly_x1
                                       3.833e-06 3.662e-06
                                                             1.047 0.299701
                                      -4.954e-06 4.591e-06 -1.079 0.285301
min_length:norm_methodnone
min_length:norm_methodRLE
                                      -1.246e-06 6.416e-06 -0.194 0.846778
min_length:norm_methodTMM
                                      -3.915e-06 6.378e-06 -0.614 0.541856
                                      -1.416e-06 5.439e-06 -0.260 0.795651
min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
                                      -1.731e-06 5.391e-06 -0.321 0.749331
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
                                       1.084e-04 3.804e-05
                                                             2.851 0.006128
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone
                                      -3.855e-05 6.028e-05 -0.639 0.525164
trim poly g1:norm methodRLE
                                       6.003e-05 8.167e-05
                                                              0.735 0.465442
                                      -4.483e-05 7.366e-05 -0.609 0.545314
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
trim poly g1:norm methodTMMwsp
                                       3.669e-05 6.876e-05
                                                              0.534 0.595730
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile
                                      -6.271e-06 7.049e-05 -0.089 0.929436
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone
                                       2.539e-04
                                                  7.195e-05
                                                              3.528 0.000853
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
                                       2.788e-04 8.077e-05
                                                              3.452 0.001078
trim poly x1:norm methodTMM
                                       2.960e-04 8.771e-05
                                                              3.374 0.001362
trim poly x1:norm methodTMMwsp
                                       2.435e-04 7.191e-05
                                                              3.386 0.001316
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
                                       2.670e-04 7.899e-05
                                                              3.381 0.001337
(Intercept)
alignersalmon
                                      ***
min_phred
min_length
trim_poly_g1
trim_poly_x1
norm_methodnone
norm_methodRLE
norm methodTMM
                                      ***
norm methodTMMwsp
                                      ***
```

```
norm methodupperquartile
                                       ***
alignersalmon:min_phred
alignersalmon:min length
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
alignersalmon:norm methodnone
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm methodRLE
alignersalmon:norm methodTMM
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm methodTMMwsp
alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile ***
min_phred:min_length
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
                                       **
min_phred:norm_methodnone
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min_phred:norm_methodRLE
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min_phred:norm_methodTMM
min_phred:norm_methodTMMwsp
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min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
min_length:trim_poly_g1
min_length:trim_poly_x1
min_length:norm_methodnone
min_length:norm_methodRLE
min_length:norm_methodTMM
min length:norm methodTMMwsp
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone
                                       ***
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile **
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 5.143455e-09)
   Null deviance: 3.3790e-01 on 100 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 2.8289e-07 on 55 degrees of freedom
AIC: -1608.4
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2
# Log-normal GLM
glm_log_fit <- DE_sd_df |>
    select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent, effect_size_sd)) |>
    (\x) glm(p_value_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(link = "log"), data = x))()
summary(glm_log_fit)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = p_value_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(link = "log"),
    data = x)
```

### Coefficients:

| Coefficients:                                    |            |                        |                  |
|--|------------|------------------------|------------------|
|  | Estimate   | Std. Error             | t value Pr(> t ) |
| (Intercept)                                      | -9.867e-01 | 1.193e-03              | -826.915 < 2e-16 |
| alignersalmon                                    | 7.156e-03  | 4.128e-04              | 17.336 < 2e-16   |
| min_phred  | 7.427e-05  | 4.395e-05              | 1.690 0.096701   |
| min_length                                       | 4.462e-06  | 2.985e-05              | 0.149 0.881718   |
| trim_poly_g1                                     | -3.872e-04 | 3.897e-04              | -0.993 0.324854  |
| trim_poly_x1                                     | 7.470e-04  | 4.377e-04              | 1.707 0.093481   |
| norm_methodnone                                  | 3.950e-01  | 7.848e-04              | 503.292 < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodRLE                                   | 3.945e-01  | 9.342e-04              | 422.271 < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodTMM                                   | 3.951e-01  | 9.039e-04              | 437.126 < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodTMMwsp                                | 3.946e-01  | 7.855e-04              | 502.304 < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodupperquartile                         | 3.941e-01  | 8.227e-04              | 479.029 < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:min_phred                          | 4.339e-08  | 1.235e-05              | 0.004 0.997210   |
| alignersalmon:min_length                         | -9.052e-06 | 5.906e-06              | -1.533 0.131098  |
| alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1                       | -3.813e-05 | 7.201e-05              | -0.530 0.598555  |
| alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1                       | -4.204e-04 | 7.335e-05              | -5.731 4.35e-07  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodnone                    | -4.257e-03 | 1.498e-04              | -28.429 < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE                     | -4.704e-03 | 1.665e-04              | -28.249 < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM                     | -4.811e-03 | 1.649e-04              | -29.185 < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp                  | -4.904e-03 | 1.620e-04              | -30.272 < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile           |            | 1.569e-04              | -32.778 < 2e-16  |
| min_phred:min_length                             | 2.982e-07  | 1.040e-06              | 0.287 0.775353   |
| min_phred:min_rength<br>min_phred:trim_poly_g1   | 1.715e-05  | 1.169e-05              | 1.467 0.148062   |
|  | -3.617e-05 | 1.109e-05<br>1.251e-05 | -2.892 0.005480  |
| min_phred:trim_poly_x1                           | -1.007e-04 | 2.864e-05              | -3.518 0.000881  |
| min_phred:norm_methodnone                        |            | 2.864e-05<br>3.296e-05 |                  |
| min_phred:norm_methodRLE                         | -1.116e-04 |                        | -3.388 0.001309  |
| min_phred:norm_methodTMM                         | -1.185e-04 | 3.066e-05              | -3.866 0.000295  |
| min_phred:norm_methodTMMwsp                      | -1.082e-04 | 2.860e-05              | -3.785 0.000382  |
| min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile               | -1.048e-04 | 3.203e-05              | -3.273 0.001844  |
| min_length:trim_poly_g1                          | -2.797e-06 | 6.044e-06              | -0.463 0.645370  |
| min_length:trim_poly_x1                          | 7.540e-06  | 6.726e-06              | 1.121 0.267192   |
| min_length:norm_methodnone                       | -1.109e-05 | 1.107e-05              | -1.001 0.320977  |
| min_length:norm_methodRLE                        | -4.645e-06 | 1.386e-05              | -0.335 0.738841  |
| min_length:norm_methodTMM                        | -9.089e-06 | 1.374e-05              | -0.661 0.511157  |
| min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp                     | -4.437e-06 | 1.237e-05              | -0.359 0.721164  |
| min_length:norm_methodupperquartile              | -5.708e-06 | 1.227e-05              | -0.465 0.643584  |
| trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1                        | 2.016e-04  | 7.187e-05              | 2.805 0.006942   |
| trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone                     | -9.327e-05 | 1.482e-04              | -0.629 0.531782  |
| trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE                      | 9.026e-05  | 1.799e-04              | 0.502 0.617935   |
| trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM                      | -1.078e-04 | 1.673e-04              | -0.644 0.522067  |
| trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp                   | 4.047e-05  | 1.601e-04              | 0.253 0.801403   |
| <pre>trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile</pre> | -3.709e-05 | 1.626e-04              | -0.228 0.820448  |
| trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone                     | 4.523e-04  | 1.771e-04              | 2.554 0.013444   |
| trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE                      | 4.961e-04  | 1.892e-04              | 2.622 0.011287   |
| trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM                      | 5.301e-04  | 1.997e-04              | 2.655 0.010351   |
| trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp                   | 4.366e-04  | 1.770e-04              | 2.467 0.016762   |
| trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile            | 4.805e-04  | 1.869e-04              | 2.571 0.012883   |
|  |            |                        |                  |

```
min_phred
min_length
trim_poly_g1
trim_poly_x1
norm methodnone
norm methodRLE
norm methodTMM
norm_methodTMMwsp
norm methodupperquartile
alignersalmon:min_phred
alignersalmon:min_length
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm_methodnone
alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp
alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile ***
min_phred:min_length
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
min phred:norm methodnone
min_phred:norm_methodRLE
min phred:norm methodTMM
min_phred:norm_methodTMMwsp
min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
min_length:trim_poly_g1
min_length:trim_poly_x1
min_length:norm_methodnone
min_length:norm_methodRLE
min_length:norm_methodTMM
min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 5.261523e-09)
    Null deviance: 3.3790e-01 on 100 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 2.8938e-07 on 55 degrees of freedom
AIC: -1606.1
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2
```

```
# Quasi GLM
quasi_fit <- DE_sd_df |>
    select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent, effect_size_sd)) |>
    (\(x) glm(p_value_sd ~ (.)^2, family = quasi(), data = x))()
summary(quasi_fit)
```

#### Call:

glm(formula = p\_value\_sd ~ (.)^2, family = quasi(), data = x)

#### Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                                       3.728e-01 5.737e-04 649.784 < 2e-16
                                       2.832e-03 2.051e-04 13.804 < 2e-16
alignersalmon
min phred
                                       2.546e-05 2.089e-05
                                                            1.219 0.228202
min_length
                                      -2.342e-07 1.495e-05 -0.016 0.987561
trim_poly_g1
                                      -2.496e-04 1.982e-04 -1.259 0.213197
trim_poly_x1
                                       4.324e-04 2.299e-04
                                                            1.881 0.065314
                                       1.806e-01 3.431e-04 526.491 < 2e-16
norm_methodnone
norm_methodRLE
                                       1.804e-01 4.391e-04 410.781 < 2e-16
                                       1.807e-01 4.215e-04 428.799 < 2e-16
norm_methodTMM
norm methodTMMwsp
                                      1.804e-01 3.435e-04 525.295 < 2e-16
norm_methodupperquartile
                                      1.801e-01 3.680e-04 489.437 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:min phred
                                      -1.620e-06 6.428e-06 -0.252 0.801897
alignersalmon:min_length
                                      -4.985e-06 3.110e-06 -1.603 0.114682
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
                                      -3.041e-05 3.802e-05 -0.800 0.427282
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
                                      -2.208e-04 3.905e-05 -5.654 5.78e-07
alignersalmon:norm methodnone
                                      -1.190e-03 6.087e-05 -19.542 < 2e-16
                                      -1.434e-03 7.271e-05 -19.720 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM
                                      -1.492e-03 7.149e-05 -20.867 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                      -1.544e-03 6.941e-05 -22.238 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm methodupperquartile -1.685e-03 6.575e-05 -25.623 < 2e-16
min_phred:min_length
                                       2.280e-07 5.347e-07
                                                            0.426 0.671532
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
                                       1.059e-05 6.173e-06
                                                            1.715 0.091940
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
                                      -2.048e-05 6.812e-06 -3.007 0.003972
min_phred:norm_methodnone
                                      -4.257e-05 1.206e-05 -3.529 0.000851
min_phred:norm_methodRLE
                                      -4.931e-05 1.497e-05 -3.294 0.001734
                                      -5.246e-05 1.346e-05 -3.899 0.000265
min_phred:norm_methodTMM
min phred:norm methodTMMwsp
                                      -4.681e-05 1.201e-05 -3.899 0.000265
                                      -4.395e-05 1.435e-05 -3.063 0.003393
min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
min_length:trim_poly_g1
                                      -1.495e-06 3.157e-06 -0.474 0.637611
min_length:trim_poly_x1
                                      3.833e-06 3.662e-06 1.047 0.299701
min_length:norm_methodnone
                                      -4.954e-06 4.591e-06 -1.079 0.285301
min length:norm methodRLE
                                      -1.246e-06 6.416e-06 -0.194 0.846778
                                      -3.915e-06 6.378e-06 -0.614 0.541856
min length:norm methodTMM
min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                      -1.416e-06 5.439e-06 -0.260 0.795651
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
                                      -1.731e-06 5.391e-06 -0.321 0.749331
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
                                                            2.851 0.006128
                                       1.084e-04 3.804e-05
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone
                                      -3.855e-05 6.028e-05 -0.639 0.525164
                                       6.003e-05 8.167e-05 0.735 0.465442
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
                                      -4.483e-05 7.366e-05 -0.609 0.545314
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                       3.669e-05 6.876e-05
                                                             0.534 0.595730
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile -6.271e-06 7.049e-05 -0.089 0.929436
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone
                                       2.539e-04 7.195e-05 3.528 0.000853
```

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2.788e-04 8.077e-05
                                                                3.452 0.001078
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
                                        2.960e-04 8.771e-05
                                                                3.374 0.001362
                                                                3.386 0.001316
trim poly x1:norm methodTMMwsp
                                        2.435e-04 7.191e-05
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
                                        2.670e-04 7.899e-05
                                                                3.381 0.001337
(Intercept)
                                       ***
alignersalmon
min_phred
min length
trim_poly_g1
trim_poly_x1
norm_methodnone
norm_methodRLE
norm_methodTMM
norm_methodTMMwsp
norm_methodupperquartile
alignersalmon:min_phred
alignersalmon:min length
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
alignersalmon:trim poly x1
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm_methodnone
alignersalmon:norm methodRLE
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm methodTMMwsp
alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile ***
min phred:min length
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
min_phred:norm_methodnone
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min_phred:norm_methodRLE
                                       **
min_phred:norm_methodTMM
                                       ***
min_phred:norm_methodTMMwsp
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min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
min_length:trim_poly_g1
min length:trim poly x1
min_length:norm_methodnone
min length:norm methodRLE
min_length:norm_methodTMM
min length:norm methodTMMwsp
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
trim poly g1:trim poly x1
trim poly g1:norm methodnone
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone
                                       ***
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
                                       **
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
                                       **
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

(Dispersion parameter for quasi family taken to be 5.143455e-09)

Null deviance: 3.3790e-01 on 100 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 2.8289e-07 on 55 degrees of freedom

AIC: NA

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2

### Effect Size

```
# Classic LM
lm_fit <- DE_sd_df |>
    select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent, p_value_sd)) |>
    (\(x) glm(effect_size_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(), data = x))()
summary(lm_fit)
```

#### Call:

glm(formula = effect\_size\_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(), data = x)

#### Coefficients:

|  | Estimate   | Std. Error | t value  | Pr(> t ) |
|--|------------|------------|----------|----------|
| (Intercept)                            | 1.602e+00  | 7.069e-03  | 226.583  | < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon                          | -6.532e-03 | 2.527e-03  | -2.585   | 0.01243  |
| min_phred                              | 1.802e-04  | 2.574e-04  | 0.700    | 0.48675  |
| min_length                             | 1.674e-04  | 1.842e-04  | 0.909    | 0.36751  |
| trim_poly_g1                           | -7.183e-03 | 2.441e-03  | -2.942   | 0.00476  |
| trim_poly_x1                           | -1.815e-03 | 2.833e-03  | -0.641   | 0.52447  |
| norm_methodnone                        | -6.321e-01 | 4.227e-03  | -149.546 | < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodRLE                         | -6.356e-01 | 5.410e-03  | -117.491 | < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodTMM                         | -6.369e-01 | 5.193e-03  | -122.645 | < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodTMMwsp                      | -6.375e-01 | 4.232e-03  | -150.651 | < 2e-16  |
| norm_methodupperquartile               | -6.398e-01 | 4.534e-03  | -141.116 | < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:min_phred                | -1.978e-05 | 7.920e-05  | -0.250   | 0.80374  |
| alignersalmon:min_length               | -2.752e-05 | 3.832e-05  | -0.718   | 0.47563  |
| alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1             | -4.399e-04 | 4.685e-04  | -0.939   | 0.35184  |
| alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1             | -5.199e-04 | 4.811e-04  | -1.081   | 0.28461  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodnone          | 2.334e-02  | 7.500e-04  | 31.117   | < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE           | 2.251e-02  | 8.959e-04  | 25.120   | < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM           | 2.263e-02  | 8.808e-04  | 25.695   | < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp        | 2.270e-02  | 8.552e-04  | 26.544   | < 2e-16  |
| alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile | 2.328e-02  | 8.100e-04  | 28.740   | < 2e-16  |
| min_phred:min_length                   | -1.027e-05 | 6.588e-06  | -1.559   | 0.12464  |
| min_phred:trim_poly_g1                 | 1.321e-04  | 7.606e-05  | 1.736    | 0.08809  |
| min_phred:trim_poly_x1                 | 3.718e-05  | 8.393e-05  | 0.443    | 0.65954  |
| min_phred:norm_methodnone              | 1.798e-04  | 1.486e-04  | 1.210    | 0.23161  |
| min_phred:norm_methodRLE               | 1.637e-04  | 1.845e-04  | 0.888    | 0.37863  |
| min_phred:norm_methodTMM               | 2.937e-04  | 1.658e-04  | 1.772    | 0.08200  |
| min_phred:norm_methodTMMwsp            | 1.606e-04  | 1.479e-04  | 1.085    | 0.28249  |
| min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile     | 3.119e-04  | 1.768e-04  | 1.764    | 0.08331  |
| min_length:trim_poly_g1                | 9.227e-05  | 3.890e-05  | 2.372    | 0.02122  |
| min_length:trim_poly_x1                | 4.609e-05  | 4.511e-05  | 1.022    | 0.31148  |
| min_length:norm_methodnone             | 6.692e-05  | 5.657e-05  | 1.183    | 0.24189  |
| min_length:norm_methodRLE              | 7.430e-05  | 7.905e-05  | 0.940    | 0.35138  |

```
5.787e-05 7.858e-05
min length:norm methodTMM
                                                                0.736 0.46457
min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                        1.479e-04 6.702e-05
                                                                2.207
                                                                       0.03147
min length:norm methodupperquartile
                                        1.110e-05 6.643e-05
                                                                0.167 0.86788
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
                                       -2.227e-04 4.686e-04
                                                               -0.475 0.63654
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone
                                        7.887e-04 7.427e-04
                                                                1.062 0.29287
trim poly g1:norm methodRLE
                                        1.008e-03 1.006e-03
                                                                1.001 0.32105
trim poly g1:norm methodTMM
                                        1.301e-04 9.076e-04
                                                                0.143 0.88653
                                        1.861e-04 8.472e-04
trim poly g1:norm methodTMMwsp
                                                                0.220 0.82694
trim poly g1:norm methodupperquartile
                                        1.550e-03 8.684e-04
                                                                1.785
                                                                       0.07974
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone
                                       -6.796e-04 8.865e-04
                                                               -0.767
                                                                       0.44655
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
                                       -2.663e-04 9.952e-04
                                                               -0.268
                                                                       0.79005
                                                               -0.043
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
                                       -4.644e-05 1.081e-03
                                                                       0.96588
                                       -4.481e-05 8.860e-04
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                                               -0.051
                                                                       0.95985
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
                                       -2.910e-04 9.732e-04
                                                               -0.299
                                                                       0.76607
(Intercept)
                                       ***
alignersalmon
min phred
min_length
trim_poly_g1
trim_poly_x1
norm methodnone
norm_methodRLE
norm methodTMM
norm methodTMMwsp
norm methodupperquartile
alignersalmon:min_phred
alignersalmon:min_length
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
alignersalmon:norm_methodnone
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm methodupperquartile
min phred:min length
min phred:trim poly g1
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
min phred:norm methodnone
min_phred:norm_methodRLE
min phred:norm methodTMM
min phred:norm methodTMMwsp
min phred:norm methodupperquartile
min_length:trim_poly_g1
min_length:trim_poly_x1
min_length:norm_methodnone
min_length:norm_methodRLE
min_length:norm_methodTMM
min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
trim poly g1:norm methodnone
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
trim poly g1:norm methodTMM
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trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile .
trim poly x1:norm methodnone
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
trim poly x1:norm methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 7.807996e-07)
   Null deviance: 4.0307e+00 on 100 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 4.2944e-05 on 55 degrees of freedom
AIC: -1101.1
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2
# Log-normal GLM
glm_log_fit <- DE_sd_df |>
   select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent, p_value_sd)) |>
    (\x) glm(effect\_size\_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(link = "log"), data = x))()
summary(glm_log_fit)
Call:
glm(formula = effect_size_sd ~ (.)^2, family = gaussian(link = "log"),
   data = x)
Coefficients:
                                       Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                                      4.700e-01 6.209e-03 75.699 < 2e-16
alignersalmon
                                     -3.787e-03 2.250e-03 -1.683 0.09808
                                      2.197e-04 2.238e-04 0.981 0.33069
min_phred
min_length
                                      1.687e-04 1.646e-04 1.024 0.31016
trim_poly_g1
                                    -6.523e-03 2.254e-03 -2.894 0.00545
                                    -2.301e-03 2.767e-03 -0.831 0.40932
trim_poly_x1
                                     -5.011e-01 3.536e-03 -141.702 < 2e-16
norm_methodnone
                                    -5.053e-01 4.878e-03 -103.591 < 2e-16
norm_methodRLE
                                    -5.056e-01 4.660e-03 -108.495 < 2e-16
norm_methodTMM
                                    -5.066e-01 3.544e-03 -142.968 < 2e-16
norm_methodTMMwsp
norm_methodupperquartile
                                     -5.085e-01 3.884e-03 -130.948 < 2e-16
                                   -3.432e-05 7.361e-05 -0.466 0.64283
alignersalmon:min_phred
alignersalmon:min_length
                                   -6.788e-06 3.591e-05 -0.189 0.85076
                                    -5.265e-04 4.396e-04 -1.198 0.23618
alignersalmon:trim poly g1
                                    -4.660e-04 4.557e-04 -1.023 0.31097
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
                                     2.034e-02 5.677e-04 35.839 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodnone
alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
                                     1.958e-02 7.528e-04 26.010 < 2e-16
                                      1.976e-02 7.322e-04 26.986 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM
                                      1.977e-02 6.962e-04 28.403 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp
alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile 2.039e-02 6.423e-04 31.746 < 2e-16
min_phred:min_length
                                     -1.074e-05 5.997e-06 -1.790 0.07892
                                      9.871e-05 7.110e-05 1.388 0.17065
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
                                     5.454e-05 8.360e-05 0.652 0.51682
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
min_phred:norm_methodnone
                                     1.712e-04 1.185e-04 1.445 0.15410
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min phred:norm methodRLE
                                        1.668e-04 1.611e-04
                                                                1.035 0.30498
min_phred:norm_methodTMM
                                        2.991e-04 1.394e-04
                                                                2.145
                                                                       0.03639
min phred:norm methodTMMwsp
                                        1.591e-04 1.176e-04
                                                                1.352 0.18187
                                        2.828e-04 1.520e-04
min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
                                                                1.861 0.06812
min length:trim poly g1
                                        1.049e-04 3.578e-05
                                                                2.932
                                                                       0.00490
min length:trim poly x1
                                        3.703e-05 4.481e-05
                                                                0.826 0.41215
min length:norm methodnone
                                        6.718e-05 4.427e-05
                                                                1.518 0.13483
min length:norm methodRLE
                                        8.358e-05 7.029e-05
                                                                1.189 0.23954
min length:norm methodTMM
                                        3.889e-05
                                                   6.997e-05
                                                                0.556 0.58061
min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                        1.460e-04 5.593e-05
                                                                2.611 0.01162
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
                                        1.124e-05 5.585e-05
                                                                0.201 0.84129
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
                                       -1.288e-04 4.390e-04
                                                               -0.293 0.77029
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone
                                        5.002e-04 5.614e-04
                                                                0.891 0.37681
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
                                                                0.779
                                        6.819e-04 8.758e-04
                                                                       0.43957
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
                                       -1.516e-04 7.649e-04
                                                               -0.198 0.84358
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                       -1.659e-04 6.947e-04
                                                               -0.239
                                                                       0.81215
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile
                                                                1.619 0.11113
                                        1.166e-03 7.200e-04
trim poly x1:norm methodnone
                                       -3.782e-04 6.669e-04
                                                               -0.567 0.57300
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
                                        8.369e-05 8.103e-04
                                                                0.103 0.91811
trim poly x1:norm methodTMM
                                        3.671e-04 9.047e-04
                                                                0.406 0.68648
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                        3.189e-04 6.674e-04
                                                                0.478
                                                                       0.63469
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
                                        1.510e-04 7.803e-04
                                                                0.193 0.84732
(Intercept)
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alignersalmon
min_phred
min_length
trim_poly_g1
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trim_poly_x1
norm_methodnone
norm_methodRLE
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norm_methodTMM
norm_methodTMMwsp
norm_methodupperquartile
alignersalmon:min phred
alignersalmon:min_length
alignersalmon: trim poly g1
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
alignersalmon:norm methodnone
alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
alignersalmon:norm methodTMM
alignersalmon:norm methodTMMwsp
                                       ***
alignersalmon:norm methodupperquartile ***
min_phred:min_length
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
min_phred:norm_methodnone
min_phred:norm_methodRLE
min_phred:norm_methodTMM
min_phred:norm_methodTMMwsp
min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
min_length:trim_poly_g1
min_length:trim_poly_x1
min length:norm methodnone
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min_length:norm_methodRLE
min_length:norm_methodTMM
min length:norm methodTMMwsp
min_length:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodnone
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodnone
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 7.627892e-07)
   Null deviance: 4.0307e+00 on 100 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 4.1953e-05 on 55 degrees of freedom
AIC: -1103.5
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2
# Quasi GLM
quasi fit <- DE sd df |>
   select(-c(runtime_sec, gene_overlap_percent, p_value_sd)) |>
    (\x) glm(effect_size_sd ~ (.)^2, family = quasi(), data = x))()
summary(quasi_fit)
glm(formula = effect_size_sd ~ (.)^2, family = quasi(), data = x)
Coefficients:
                                       Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                       1.602e+00 7.069e-03 226.583 < 2e-16
(Intercept)
alignersalmon
                                     -6.532e-03 2.527e-03 -2.585 0.01243
                                      1.802e-04 2.574e-04 0.700 0.48675
min_phred
min_length
                                      1.674e-04 1.842e-04
                                                             0.909 0.36751
                                     -7.183e-03 2.441e-03 -2.942 0.00476
trim_poly_g1
                                     -1.815e-03 2.833e-03 -0.641 0.52447
trim_poly_x1
                                     -6.321e-01 4.227e-03 -149.546 < 2e-16
norm methodnone
                                     -6.356e-01 5.410e-03 -117.491 < 2e-16
norm methodRLE
norm_methodTMM
                                     -6.369e-01 5.193e-03 -122.645 < 2e-16
norm_methodTMMwsp
                                     -6.375e-01 4.232e-03 -150.651 < 2e-16
                                     -6.398e-01 4.534e-03 -141.116 < 2e-16
norm_methodupperquartile
                                     -1.978e-05 7.920e-05 -0.250 0.80374
alignersalmon:min_phred
                                     -2.752e-05 3.832e-05 -0.718 0.47563
alignersalmon:min_length
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
                                     -4.399e-04 4.685e-04 -0.939 0.35184
                                     -5.199e-04 4.811e-04 -1.081 0.28461
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
                                     2.334e-02 7.500e-04 31.117 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodnone
alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
                                     2.251e-02 8.959e-04 25.120 < 2e-16
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alignersalmon:norm methodTMM
                                        2.263e-02 8.808e-04
                                                               25.695 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                        2.270e-02 8.552e-04
                                                               26.544 < 2e-16
alignersalmon:norm methodupperquartile
                                       2.328e-02 8.100e-04
                                                               28.740 < 2e-16
                                                               -1.559 0.12464
min_phred:min_length
                                       -1.027e-05 6.588e-06
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
                                        1.321e-04
                                                  7.606e-05
                                                                1.736 0.08809
min phred:trim poly x1
                                        3.718e-05 8.393e-05
                                                                0.443 0.65954
min phred:norm methodnone
                                        1.798e-04 1.486e-04
                                                                1.210 0.23161
min phred:norm methodRLE
                                        1.637e-04 1.845e-04
                                                                0.888 0.37863
min phred:norm methodTMM
                                        2.937e-04
                                                   1.658e-04
                                                                1.772 0.08200
min_phred:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                        1.606e-04 1.479e-04
                                                                1.085 0.28249
min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
                                        3.119e-04 1.768e-04
                                                                1.764 0.08331
min_length:trim_poly_g1
                                        9.227e-05
                                                  3.890e-05
                                                                2.372 0.02122
min_length:trim_poly_x1
                                        4.609e-05
                                                  4.511e-05
                                                                1.022 0.31148
min_length:norm_methodnone
                                        6.692e-05 5.657e-05
                                                                1.183 0.24189
min_length:norm_methodRLE
                                        7.430e-05 7.905e-05
                                                                0.940 0.35138
min_length:norm_methodTMM
                                        5.787e-05
                                                   7.858e-05
                                                                0.736
                                                                       0.46457
min_length:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                        1.479e-04
                                                                2.207 0.03147
                                                  6.702e-05
min length:norm methodupperquartile
                                        1.110e-05
                                                  6.643e-05
                                                                0.167 0.86788
trim_poly_g1:trim_poly_x1
                                       -2.227e-04 4.686e-04
                                                               -0.475 0.63654
trim poly g1:norm methodnone
                                        7.887e-04 7.427e-04
                                                                1.062 0.29287
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodRLE
                                        1.008e-03 1.006e-03
                                                                1.001 0.32105
trim poly g1:norm methodTMM
                                        1.301e-04 9.076e-04
                                                                0.143 0.88653
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                        1.861e-04 8.472e-04
                                                                0.220 0.82694
trim poly g1:norm methodupperquartile
                                        1.550e-03 8.684e-04
                                                                1.785
                                                                       0.07974
trim poly x1:norm methodnone
                                       -6.796e-04 8.865e-04
                                                               -0.767
                                                                      0.44655
trim poly x1:norm methodRLE
                                       -2.663e-04 9.952e-04
                                                               -0.268 0.79005
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMM
                                       -4.644e-05
                                                  1.081e-03
                                                               -0.043
                                                                       0.96588
                                       -4.481e-05
                                                               -0.051
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
                                                   8.860e-04
                                                                       0.95985
                                                               -0.299
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
                                       -2.910e-04 9.732e-04
                                                                       0.76607
(Intercept)
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alignersalmon
min_phred
min_length
trim_poly_g1
trim_poly_x1
norm methodnone
norm_methodRLE
norm methodTMM
norm_methodTMMwsp
norm methodupperquartile
alignersalmon:min phred
alignersalmon:min length
alignersalmon:trim_poly_g1
alignersalmon:trim_poly_x1
alignersalmon:norm_methodnone
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alignersalmon:norm_methodRLE
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alignersalmon:norm_methodTMM
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alignersalmon:norm_methodTMMwsp
alignersalmon:norm_methodupperquartile ***
min_phred:min_length
min_phred:trim_poly_g1
min_phred:trim_poly_x1
min phred:norm methodnone
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min phred:norm methodRLE
min phred:norm methodTMM
min phred:norm methodTMMwsp
min_phred:norm_methodupperquartile
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trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMM
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_g1:norm_methodupperquartile
trim poly x1:norm methodnone
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodRLE
trim poly x1:norm methodTMM
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodTMMwsp
trim_poly_x1:norm_methodupperquartile
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 '' 1
(Dispersion parameter for quasi family taken to be 7.807996e-07)
   Null deviance: 4.0307e+00 on 100 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 4.2944e-05
                              on 55
                                       degrees of freedom
AIC: NA
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Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2

#### Bayesian

We know that

$$Y^2 \stackrel{d}{\to} \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$
 (5)

by the central limit theorem since  $Y^2$  is an average. This is not completely accurate because  $Y^2 > 0$ , but if  $\mu >> 0$ , then the truncation is inconsequential. Using the 1-1 transformation formula we can derive that the distribution of Y must be:

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{\frac{-(y^2 - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \cdot 2y \tag{6}$$

Unfortunately this doesn't have a close form expectation, which makes it difficult to model  $\mathbb{E} Y = X\beta$ . Since a mean and variance function can be derived, it is possible to fit a model with something like general estimating equation, but there a two key problems. First, the mean function is an integral which most likely needs to be approximated. Second, the necessary link function results in a non-linear relationship between the  $\hat{\beta}$ s and Y making interpretation difficult.

Instead, we will build from the fact that  $Y \ge 0$ . There are several common likelihoods that have support  $[0,\infty)$  such as the log-normal, gamma, weibull, etc. Since we are looking to model  $\mathbb{E} Y = X\beta$ , the log-normal is the simplest choice since the default parameterization is a location-scale family.

Consider the following Bayesian Hierarchical Model:

$$Y_{i} \sim \log -\mathcal{N}(\mu_{i}, \sigma_{i}^{2})$$

$$\mu_{i} = X_{i}\beta$$

$$\sigma_{i} = a \cdot \mu_{i}^{b}$$

$$\beta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 100)$$

$$a \sim \operatorname{Gamma}(c, d)$$

$$b \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 10)$$
(7)

This set up has a couple of key advantages.

- 1. The interpretation is still linear on the Y scale since we are modeling  $\mathbb{E} Y_i = \mu_i = X_i \beta$ .
- 2. Natural parameter shrinkage via the prior on  $\beta$ . Handles multicollinearity and high dimensionality of X.
- 3. Does not assume constant variance. Specifically, we are applying the variance-power law from the Tweedie family of distributions, which the log-Normal is a member.

$$Var Y \propto (\mathbb{E} Y)^p \tag{8}$$

- a>0 and represents a common variance scale ie if b=0 we recover the classical log-Normal regression model.  $b\in\mathbb{R}$  where b>0 indicates over-dispersion and b<0 indicates under-dispersion.
- 4. We can use the posterior predictive distribution to check whether the model is consistent with the fact that  $Y^2 \sim \mathcal{N}$ .