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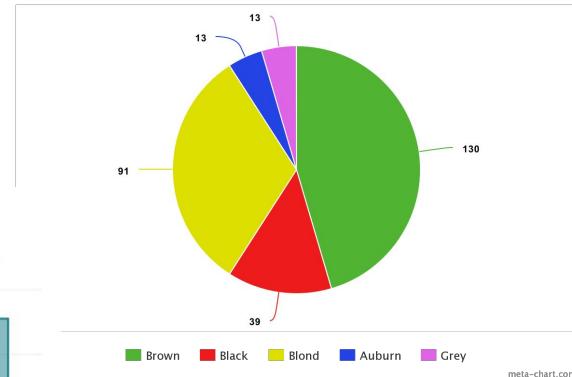
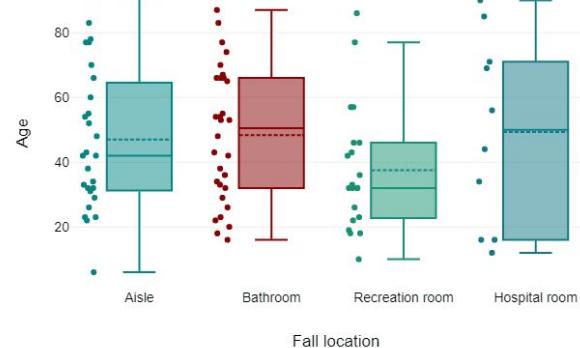
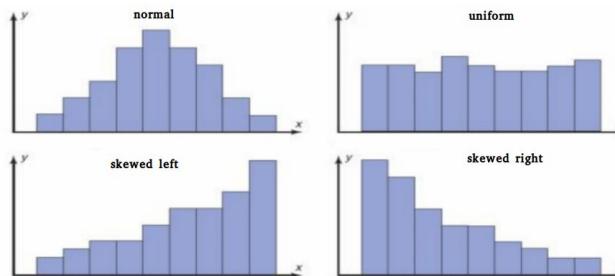
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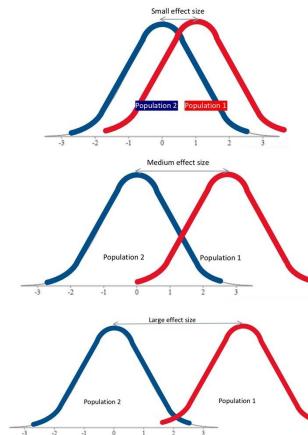
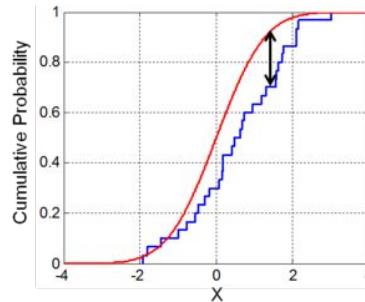
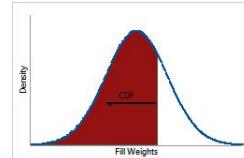


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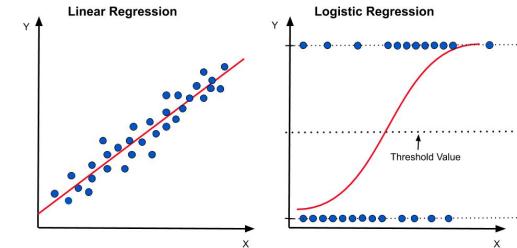
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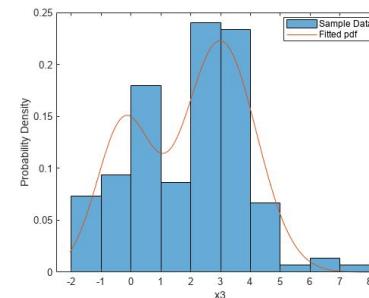
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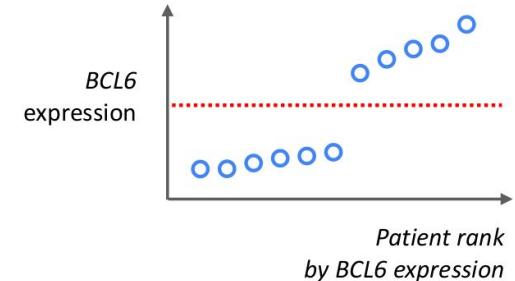
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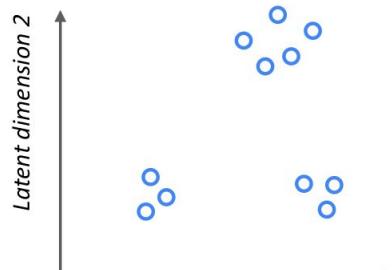
Statistics.... some vocabulary

→ Doing inferential statistics... considering what ?

- **univariate statistics** : analyze only one ('uni') variable at a time
→ for descriptive or inferential purposes



- **multivariate statistics** : analyze more than one ('multi') variables at a time



Latent dimension 1 → Latent dimension = one variable or a combination of variables

Statistics.... some vocabulary

→ Doing multivariate inferential statistics... on what ? ... on normalized data

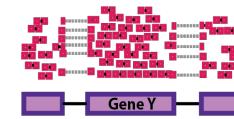
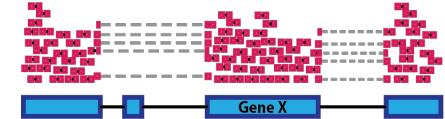
- **Normalization** is a process designed to identify and correct “technical/experimental” biases without removing biological signal.

Sources of bias: batch effect (lab condition, platform...), sequencing depth, sample quantity...

- **within-sample normalization** :

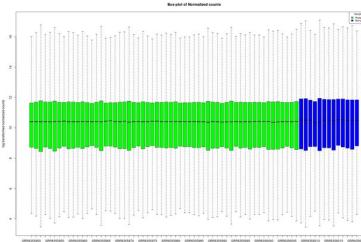
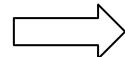
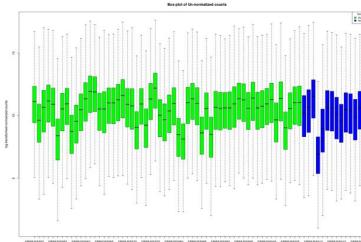
e.g. normalize expression of all genes within sample A

Sample A Reads



- **between-sample normalization** :

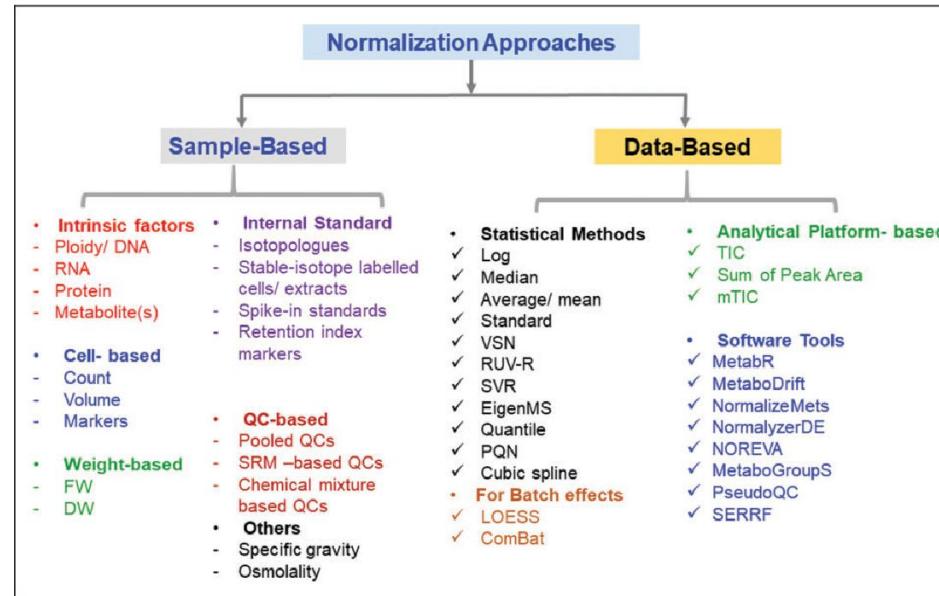
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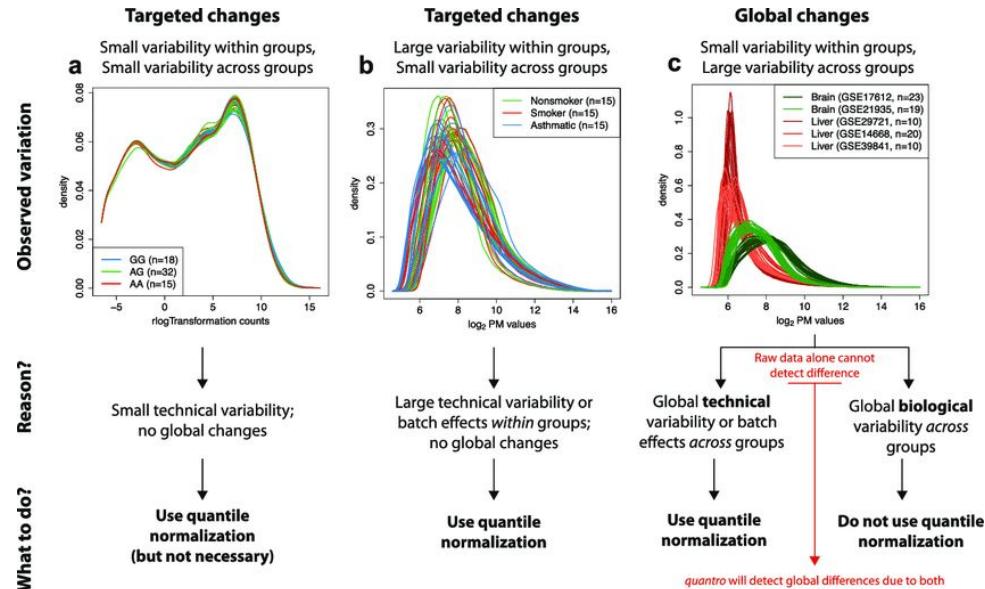


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Statistics.... some vocabulary

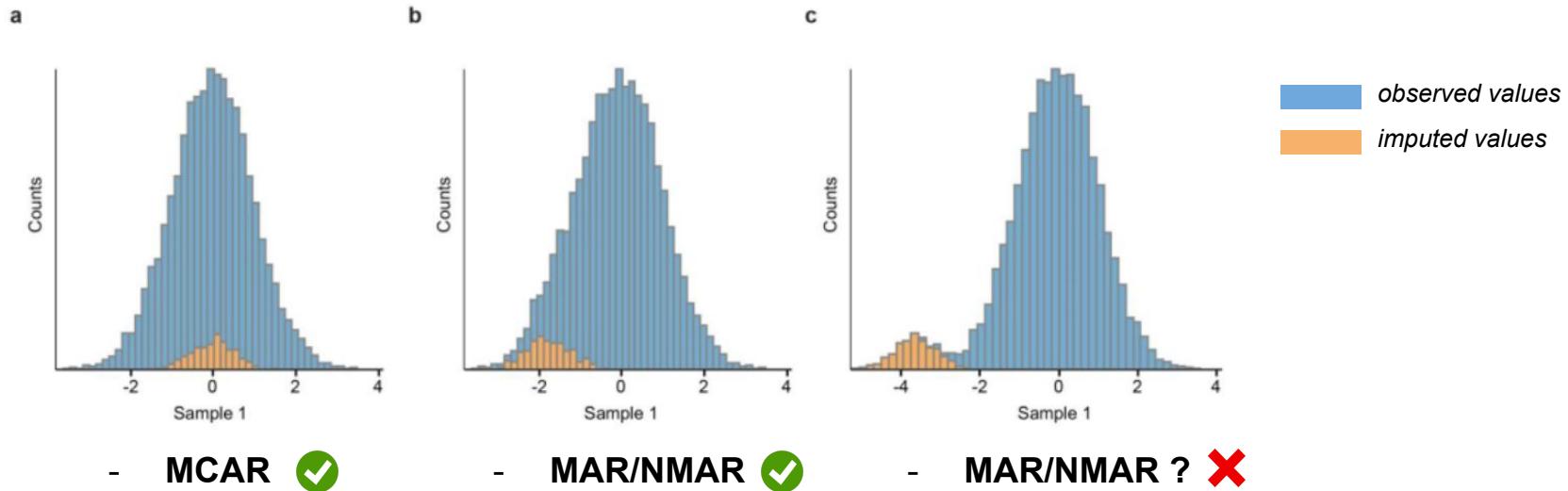
→ Doing multivariate inferential statistics on normalized data without missing values.

- missing values imputation is not mandatory, depends on downstream analysis and you can also remove corresponding samples/variables.
- if necessary, imputation strategy should be chosen carefully :
 - **missing completely at random (MCAR)** :
 - caused by external factor independent from observed data
 - **missing at random (MAR)**
 - caused by external fully known dependant factor, and so can be controlled
 - **not missing at random (NMAR)**
 - caused by external unknown dependant factor
 - due to the observed value (e.g. technical detection limits)



Statistics.... some vocabulary

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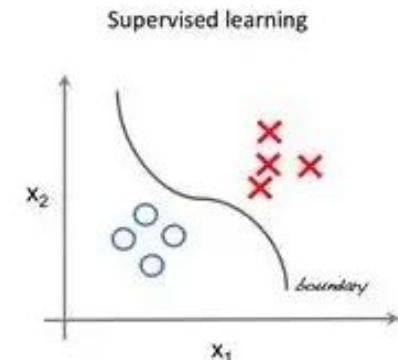
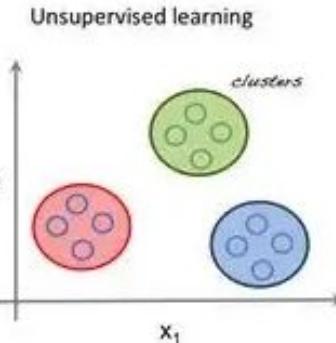
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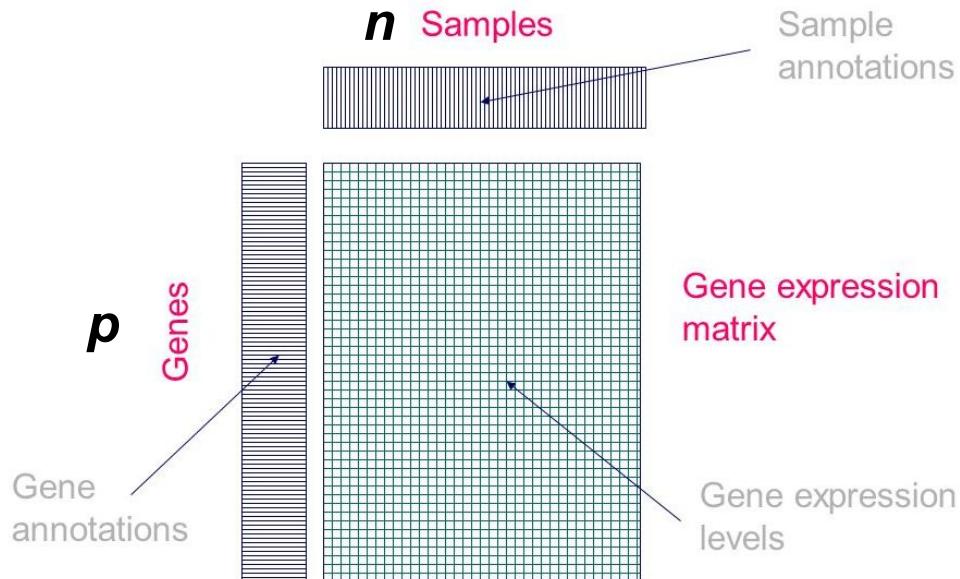
Statistics.... some vocabulary

- **Unsupervised learning**
 - find hidden patterns, analyze and organize unlabelled samples
 - e.g. clustering, dimension reduction, density estimation
- **Supervised learning**
 - use labelled samples and previous outputs to guess outcomes in advance (predictive model)
 - e.g. classification task (categorical/numerical), regression (numerical)
- **Semi-supervised learning**
 - only some labelled samples (not available, too expensive...)



Statistics.... some vocabulary

- **Matrix representation of data**



$$X = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} x_{11} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{p1} & \dots & x_{pn} \end{array} \right] \underbrace{\phantom{x_{11}}}_{n} \Bigg\} p$$

x_{ij} : value of variable i
for individual j .
→ e.g. value of gene i for sample j



Or transposed, a $n \times p$ matrix instead of a $p \times n$ matrix !

Statistics.... some vocabulary

- **Variance:** indicator of spread for one variable x_i

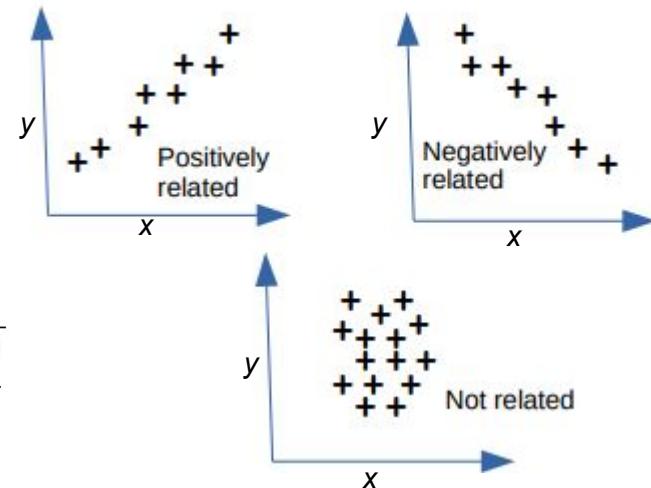
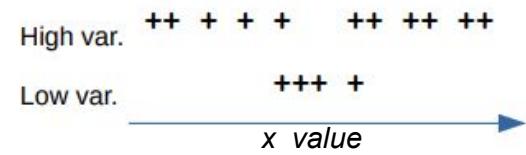
$$Var(X) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

- **Covariance:** indicator of relationships for two variables x and y

$$Cov(X, Y) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{n}$$

- **Correlation:** standardized covariance between -1 and 1

$$Cor(X, Y) = \frac{Cov(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} \quad \text{with} \quad \sigma_X = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}}$$



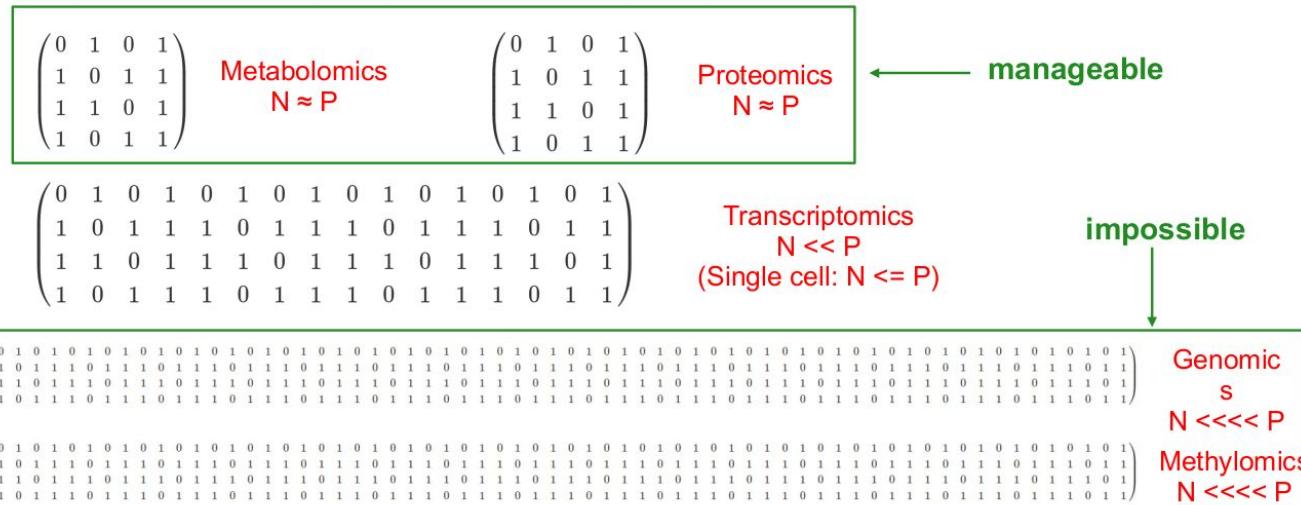
Curse of dimensionality

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OMIC1

OMIC2

OMIC3



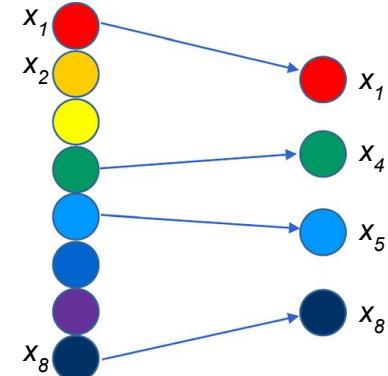
P : number of features
(genes, proteins, genetic variants...)

N : number of observations
(samples, cells, nucleotides...)

Selection vs Extraction

- **Feature selection**

→ determine a smaller set of features minimizing (relevant) information loss
e.g. filtering methods (correlation), recursive elimination, regularization...

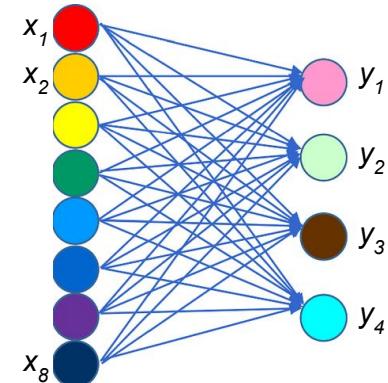


- **Feature extraction**

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e.g. **PCA**, PCoA, ICA...

+ regularization for sparse methods : sPCA, sNMF (i.e. some α_i forced to 0)

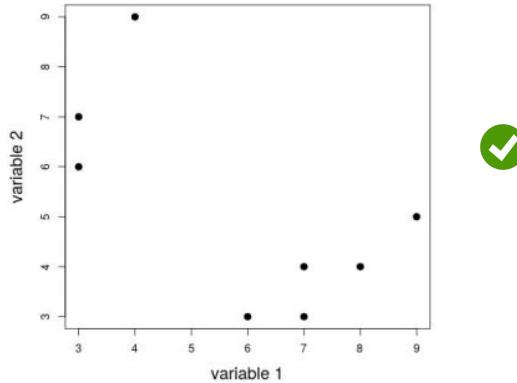


Dimensionality reduction : PCA

Problem: n samples, p quantitative variables (e.g. peptides, proteins, metabolites, mRNA, . . .)

Visualize pairwise relations by scatter plots

$p=2$



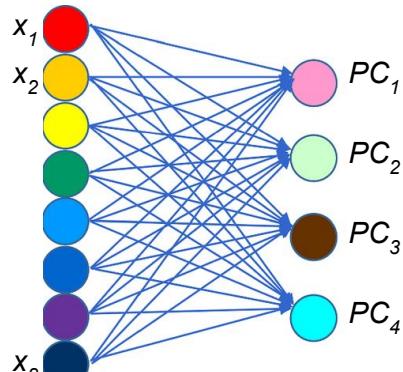
But when p is large ?



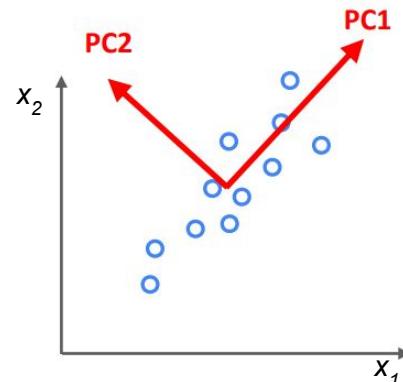
→ Need to reduce this large number of dimensions (p) to a smaller number of relevant variables, i.e. variables which carry most of the information (or variance) of a dataset and without redundancy

PCA - Principle

Principle: Find orthogonal axes (*Principal Components*) on which one can project sample to obtain a comprehensible space of reduced dimension.



$$PC_1 = \alpha_1 * x_1 + \alpha_2 * x_2 + \alpha_3 * x_3 + \dots$$

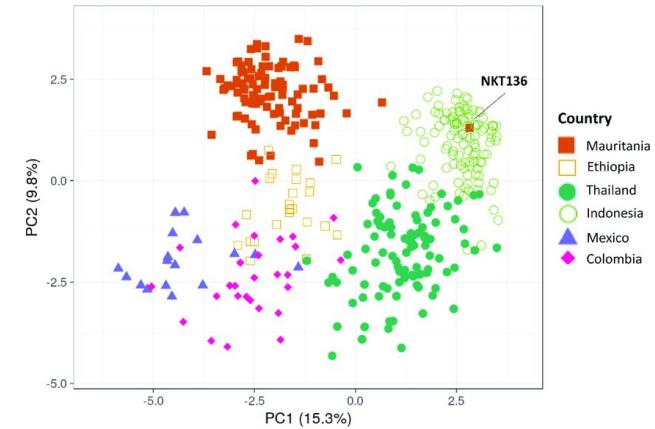
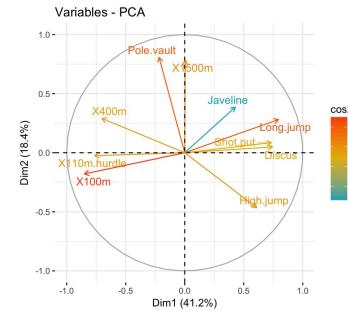
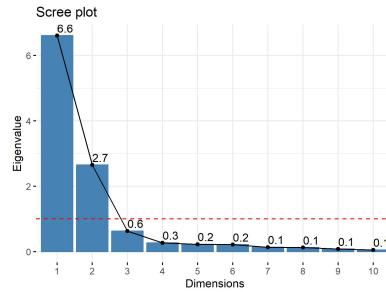


Projection is a distorting operation \Rightarrow we begin by looking for an axis on which the cloud of points is distorting the less possible during the projection.

PCA - Goal

Main goal : explore the structure of the dataset to better understand the proximity between samples and detect possible bias → often used as a quality control step

- synthetize information and visualize points in a reduced dimension space
- describe links between variables and which ones explain most variability
- highlight homogeneous subgroups linked to biological effect
- detect aberrant samples



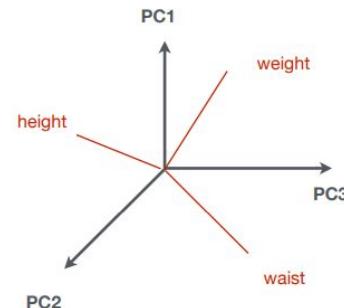
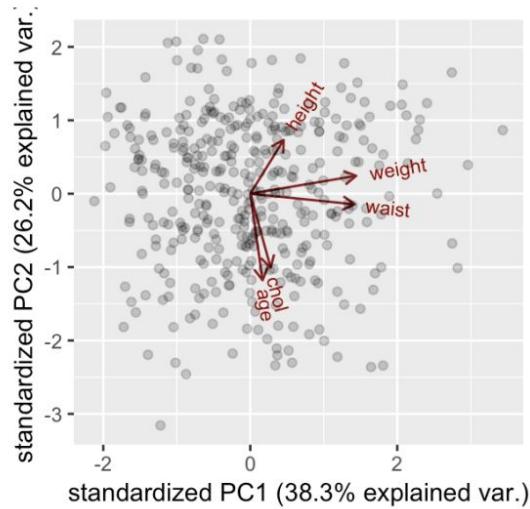
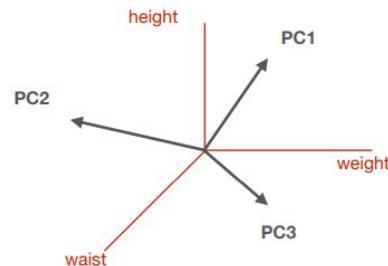
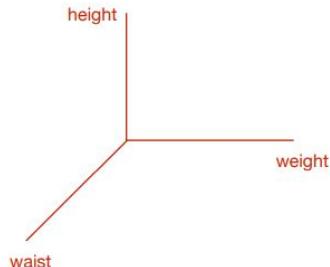
PCA - Computing

Computing PCA:

- Standardize the range of continuous initial variables
→ data homoscedasticity : the variance must be independent of the mean
$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$
- Compute the covariance matrix \mathbf{A}
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{var}(x) & \text{cov}(x, y) & \text{cov}(x, z) \\ \text{cov}(x, y) & \text{var}(y) & \text{cov}(y, z) \\ \text{cov}(x, z) & \text{cov}(y, z) & \text{var}(z) \end{bmatrix}$$
- Calculate the eigenvalues λ and eigenvectors for the covariance matrix
→ solve $|\mathbf{A} - \lambda \cdot \mathbf{I}| = 0$
- Sort eigenvalues λ and their corresponding eigenvectors
- Recast the data along the principal component axes

PCA - Plots

- each dot is a sample
- new coordinate system ($PC_1, PC_2 \dots$)
- red arrows = contribution of each initial variable (old coordinate system)
- several 2D (2 PCs) plots : PC_1/PC_2
 PC_1/PC_3
 PC_2/PC_3
...

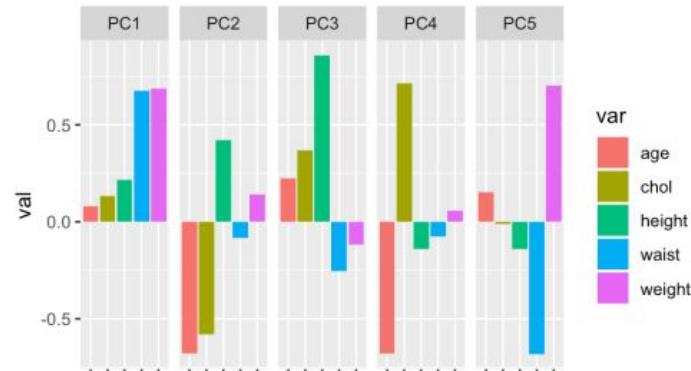
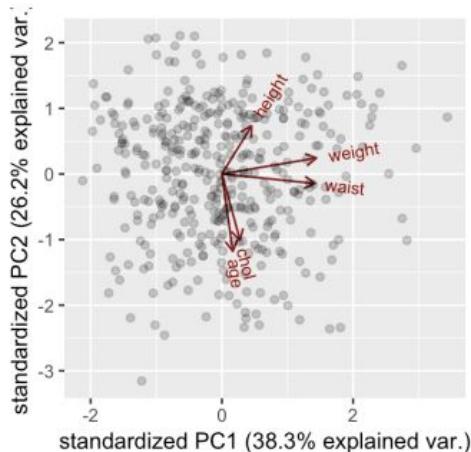


PCA biplot
score plot + loading plot

PCA - Components

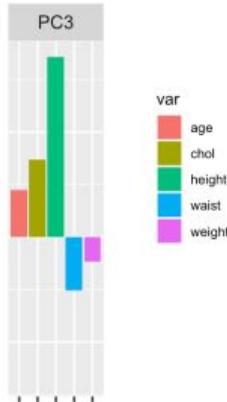
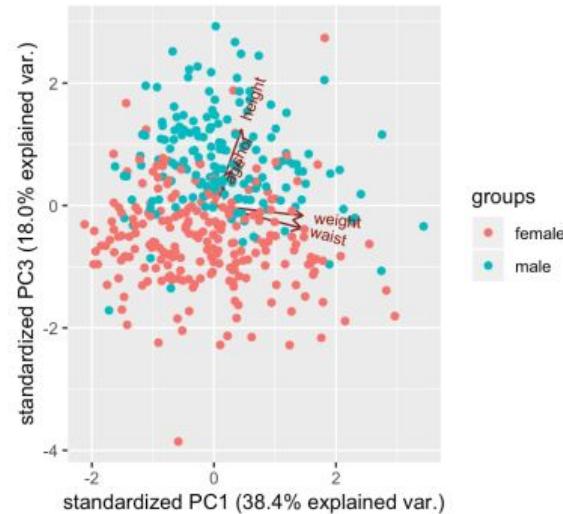
- contribution of each initial variable to the PC_i : $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \dots$ are coefficients also called "loadings"
- some variables contribute in the same direction to some PCs (e.g. waist and height for PC_1), but opposite to others (PC_5)
- PC are orthogonal: no information redundancy between PC → reduce the "useful" representation space

$$PC_i = \alpha_i \cdot \text{age} + \beta_i \cdot \text{chol} + \gamma_i \cdot \text{height} + \delta_i \cdot \text{waist} + \epsilon_i \cdot \text{weight}$$



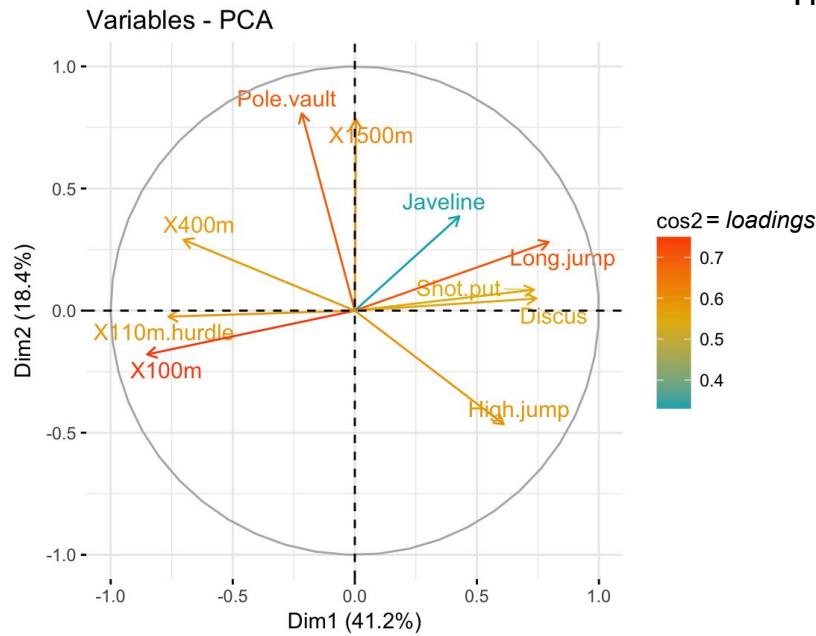
PCA - Biological interpretation

- PC plots can highlight new groups
- Example: PC_3 seems very associated to gender
→ PC_3 loadings indicate that a combination of height and cholesterol separates men / women



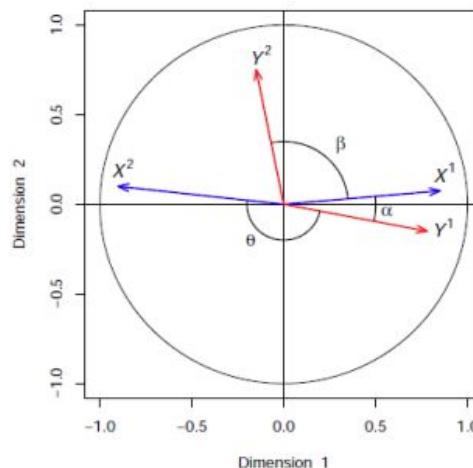
⚠ Be careful with visual proximity between 2 samples
→ depends on selected PC

PCA - Variable correlations in loading plots



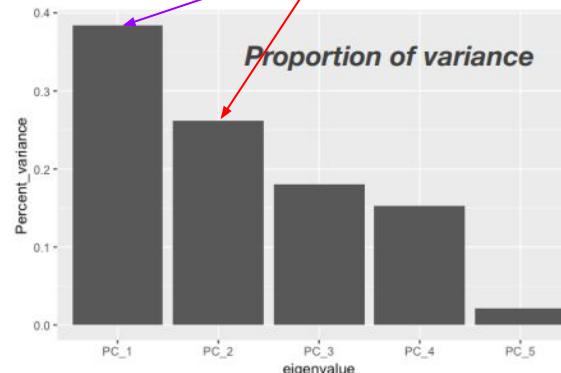
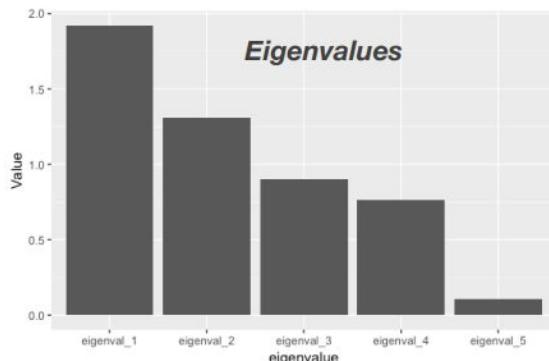
The correlation between two variables is represented as :

- an acute angle ($\cos(\alpha) > 0$) if it is positive
- an obtuse angle ($\cos(\theta) < 0$) if it is negative
- a right angle ($\cos(\beta) \approx 0$) if it is near zero

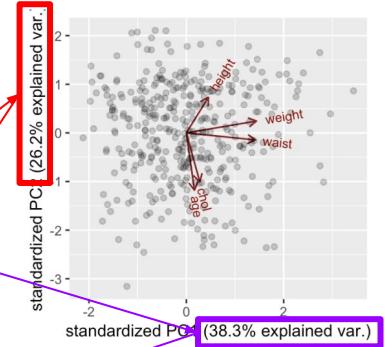


PCA - Scree plot

- Each PC explains some part of the total variance of the dataset
- This amount is proportional to the corresponding eigenvalue
- PC are ordered by decreasing eigenvalue (hence explained variance)

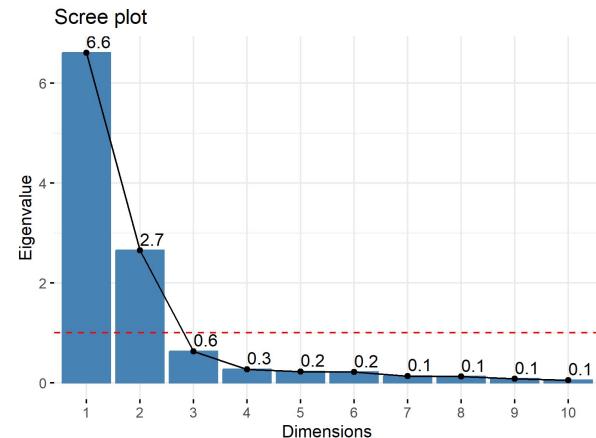


Considering PC1 & PC2 explains
63% of the total variance



PCA - PCs number

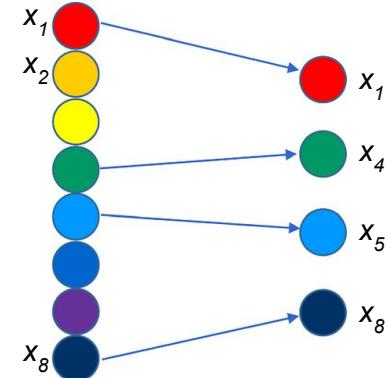
- Several criteria to select the optimal subset of PC, without loosing too much information
- Proportion of total variance: keep PC such that the cumulative variance is above threshold
- Average eigenvalue criteria: keep PC which have eigenvalue larger than
 - mean eigenvalue (Kaiser rule) or
 - 70% of mean eigenvalue (Jottcliffe rule)



Extraction + Selection

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e.g. filtering methods (correlation), recursive elimination, regularization

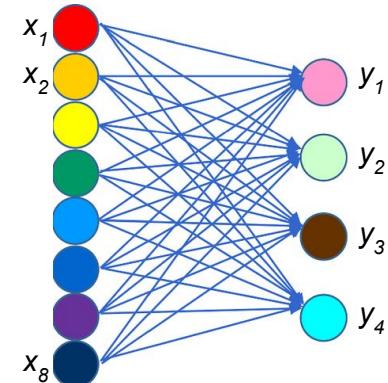


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+ regularization for sparse methods : **sPCA**, sNMF (i.e. some α_i forced to 0)



Sparse PCA : regularization

- To learn a more “simpler”/“comprehensive” model and avoid overfitting or inconsistency situations
- Linear combination of two functions f_1 and f_2 for a vector w : $f(w) = f_1(w) + \lambda f_2(w)$
→ adjusting the penalty λ (*regularization parameter*) give more/less weight to the regularizer f_2
- The simplest regularizer f_2 is the L0-norm $f(w) = g(w) + \lambda \|w\|_0$
with $g(w)$ the objective/loss function to minimize and $\|w\|_0 = \text{number of non-zero entries of } w$
→ to minimize $f(w)$ → minimize $g(w)$ and limit the cost of the regularizer (ie limit w_0)

$$y = w_1^*x_1 + w_2^*x_2 + w_3^*x_3 + w_4^*x_4 + w_5^*x_5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = 0^*x_1 + w_2^*x_2 + 0^*x_3 + 0^*x_4 + w_5^*x_5$$

- Alternative regularizer f_2 is the L1-norm $f(w) = g(w) + \lambda \|w\|_1$ with $\|w\|_1 = \sum_{n=0}^N |w_n|$
- Common regularization strategies : Lasso (L1), Ridge (L2) and Elastic Net (L1+L2)

Sparse PCA principle

- Objective to PCA: find linear combinations to maximize variability of projected data

$$PC_1 : y_1 = w_1^*x_1 + w_2^*x_2 + w_3^*x_3 + \dots$$

PCA

$$\arg \max_{w_i: \|w_i\|_2^2=1} \text{Var}(Xw_i) \longrightarrow \underbrace{\arg \min_{\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{P}} \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{XWP}^\top\|_F^2}_{g(w) \text{ function to minimize}}$$

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$$\longrightarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{P}} \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{XWP}^\top\|_F^2 + \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^K \lambda \|\mathbf{w}_k\|^2 + \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_{1,k} \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_1}_{\text{regularizer (L2 + L1)}} \quad PC_1 = 0^*x_1 + w_2^*x_2 + 0^*x_3 + 0^*x_4 + w_5^*x_5$$

(Elastic-Net as proposed by Zou et al. (2006))



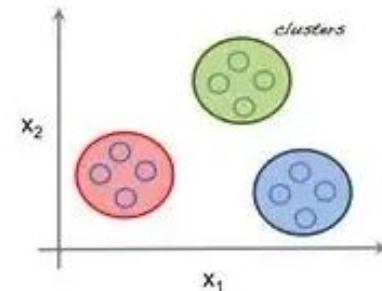
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Statistics.... some vocabulary

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→ find hidden patterns, analyze and organize unlabelled samples
e.g. clustering, dimension reduction, density estimation

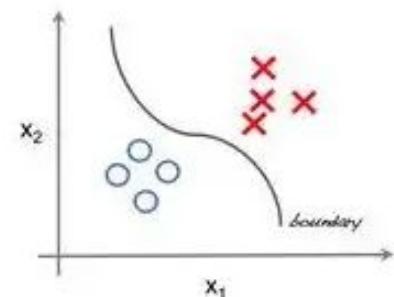
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- **Supervised learning**

→ use labelled samples and previous outputs to guess outcomes in advance (predictive model)
e.g. classification task (categorical/numerical), regression (numerical)

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- **Semi-supervised learning**

→ only some labelled samples (not available, too expensive...)

Differential analysis - Principle

Principle: Compare 2 or more sample groups (experimental conditions, treatment, time...)
e.g. healthy VS sick, old VS young...

Objective: detect differentially expressed (DE) genes/proteins/... between groups
→ analysis based on statistical tests (t-test...)
→ a gene/protein/... is “DE” if the difference is statistically significant between 2 groups, ie greater than any natural random variation

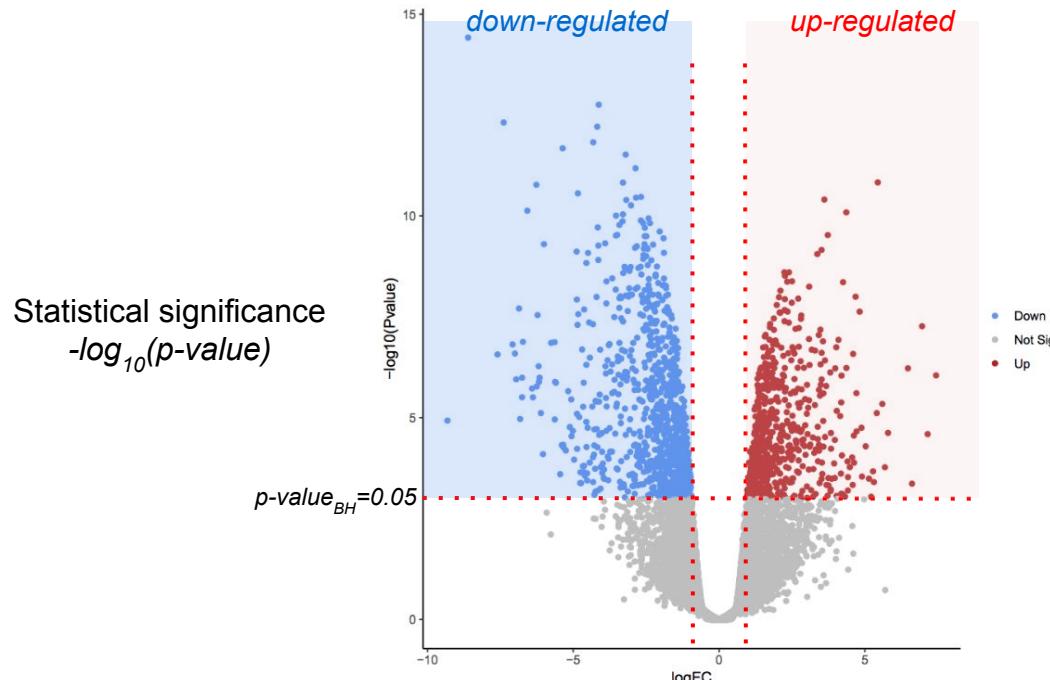
Specificities of omics:

- few individuals
- many variables → many tests
- overdispersion problem (high variance)
- numerous possible bias
- omic specific data distribution

→ such analysis approaches exist for each omic

Differential analysis - Volcano Plot

"A gene/protein/... is declared differentially expressed if the observed difference between two conditions is statistically significant at 5% and the fold change is higher than 2"



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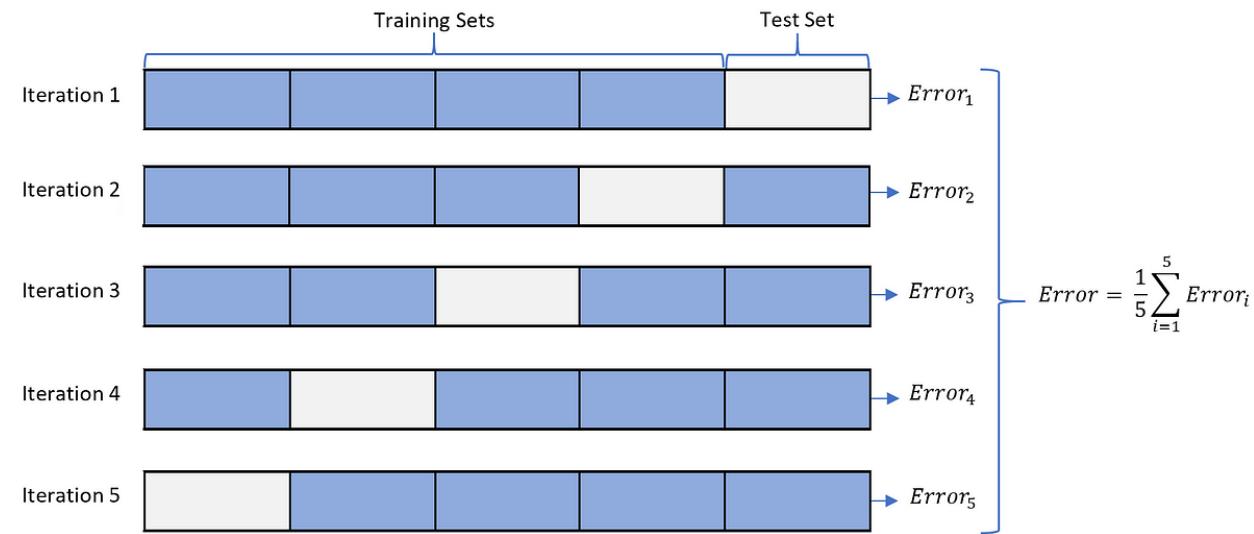
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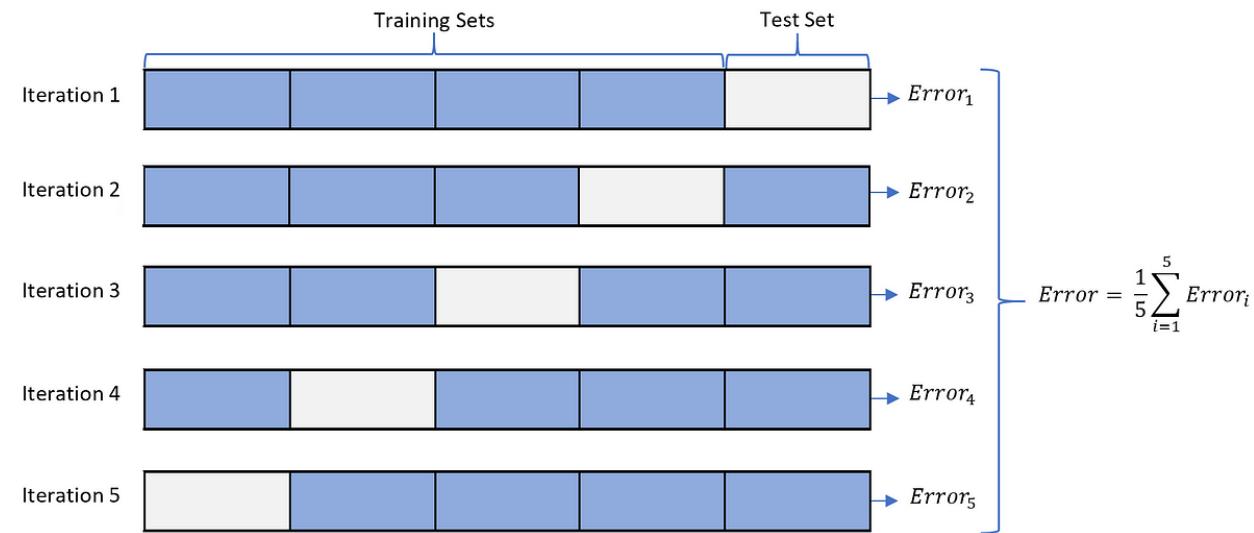
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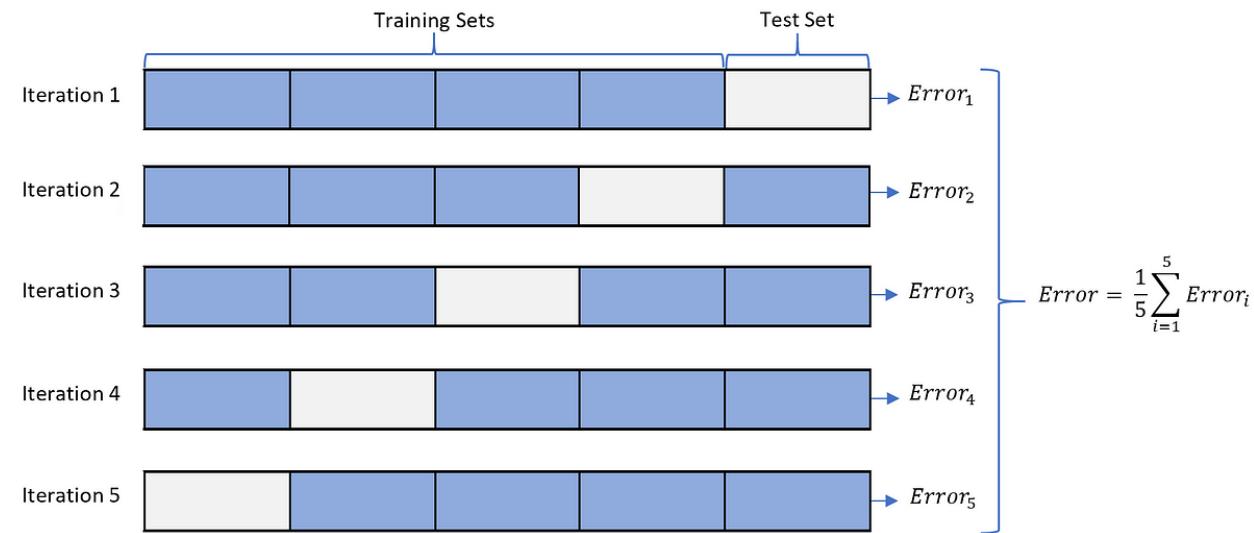


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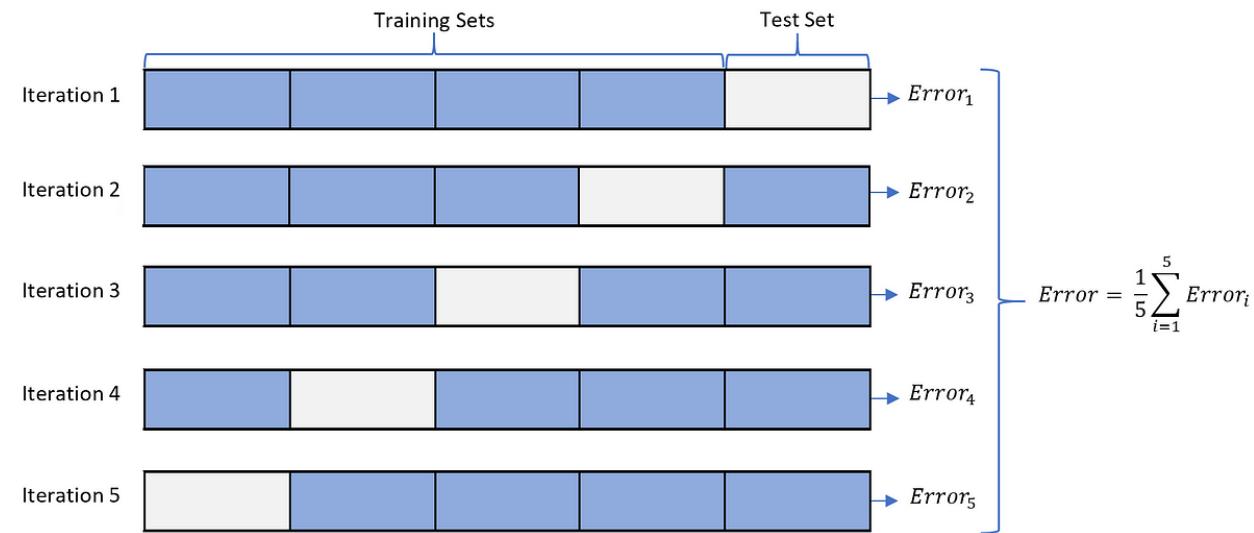
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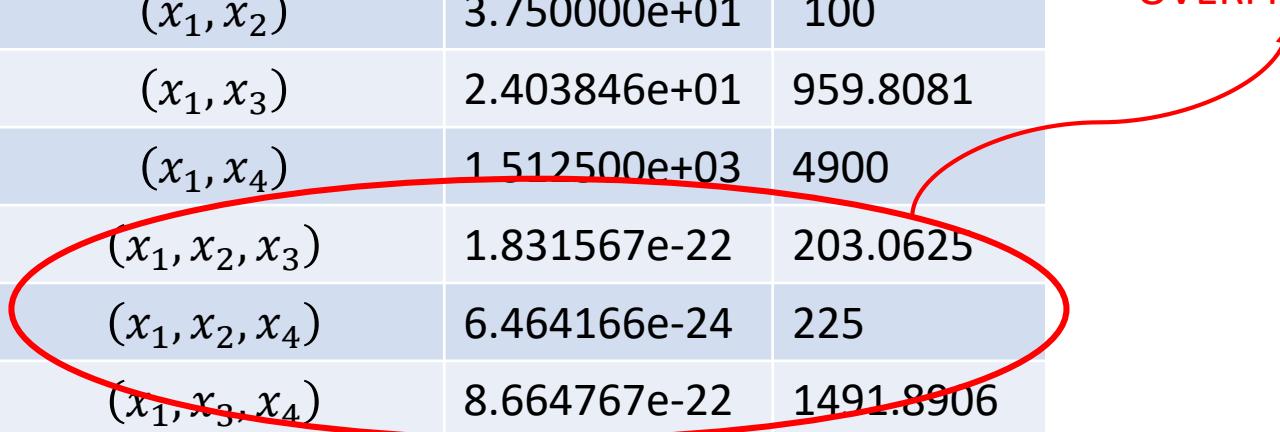
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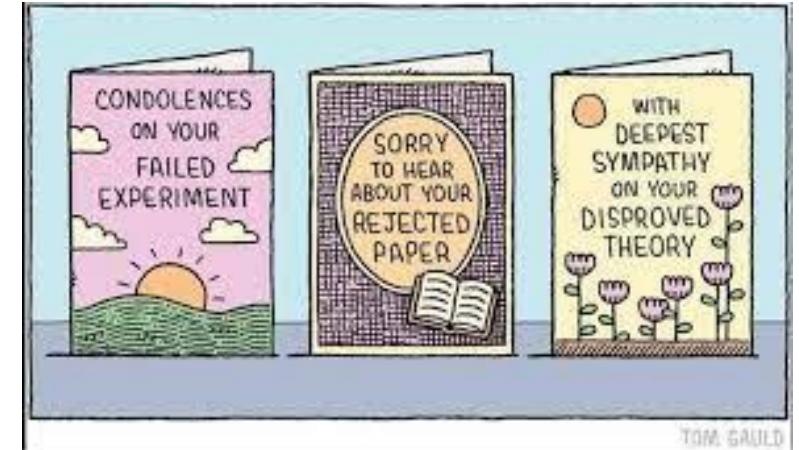
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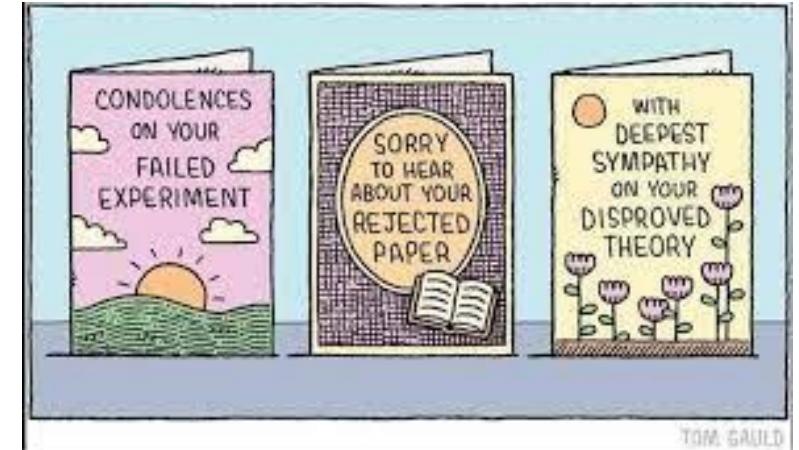


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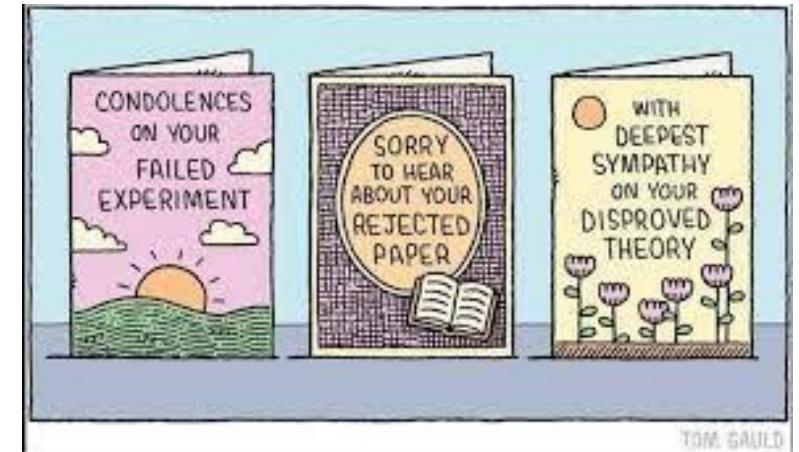
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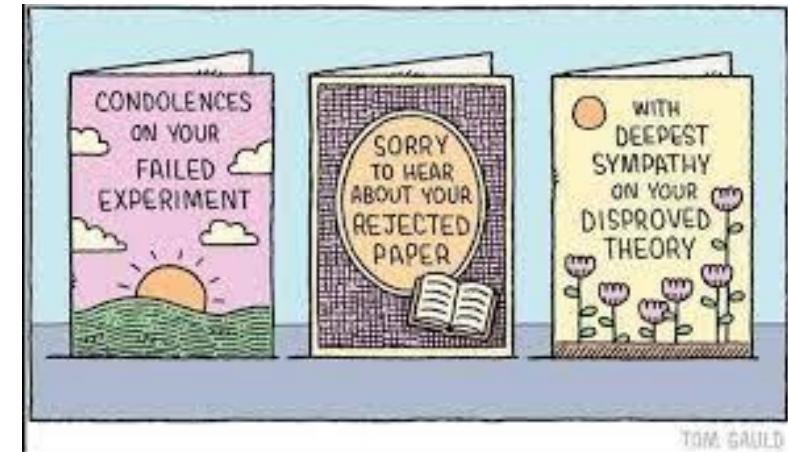
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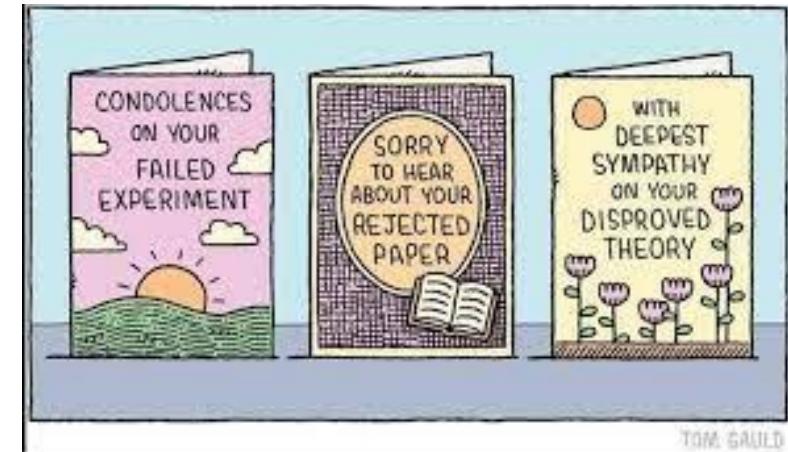
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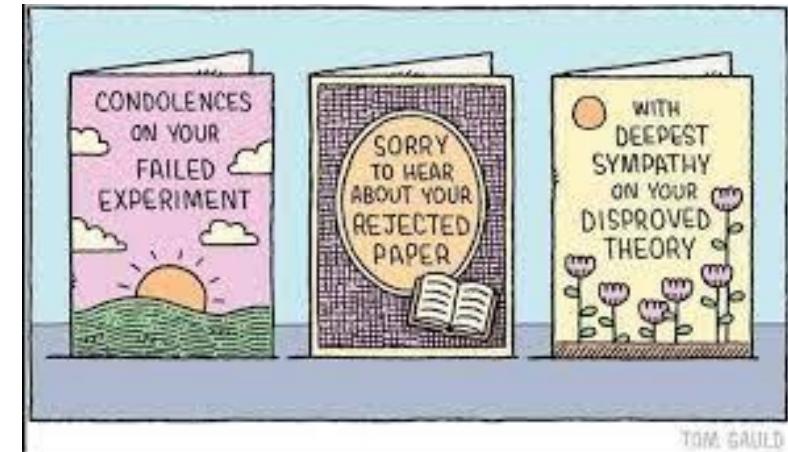
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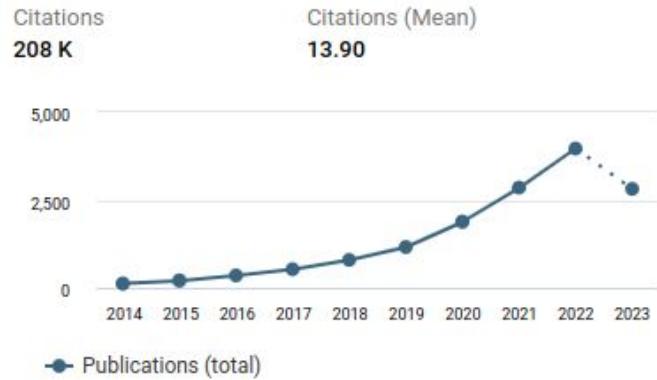
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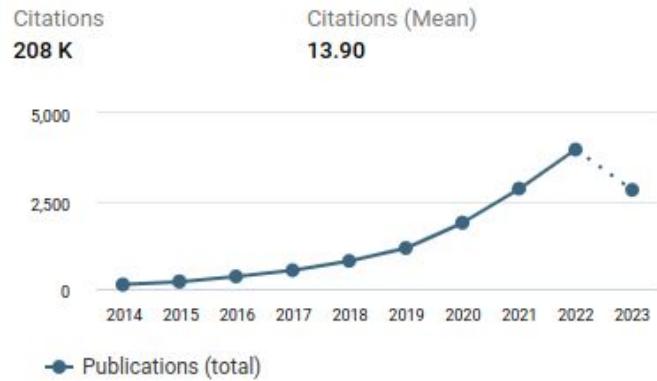
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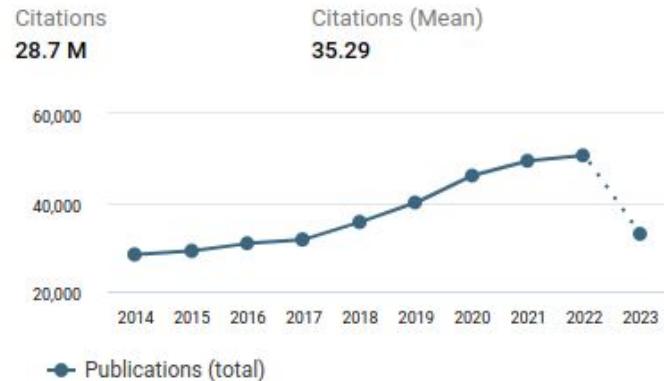
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Rise in popularity

“Multi-omics” citations



“Single-cell” citations



RESEARCH CATEGORIES

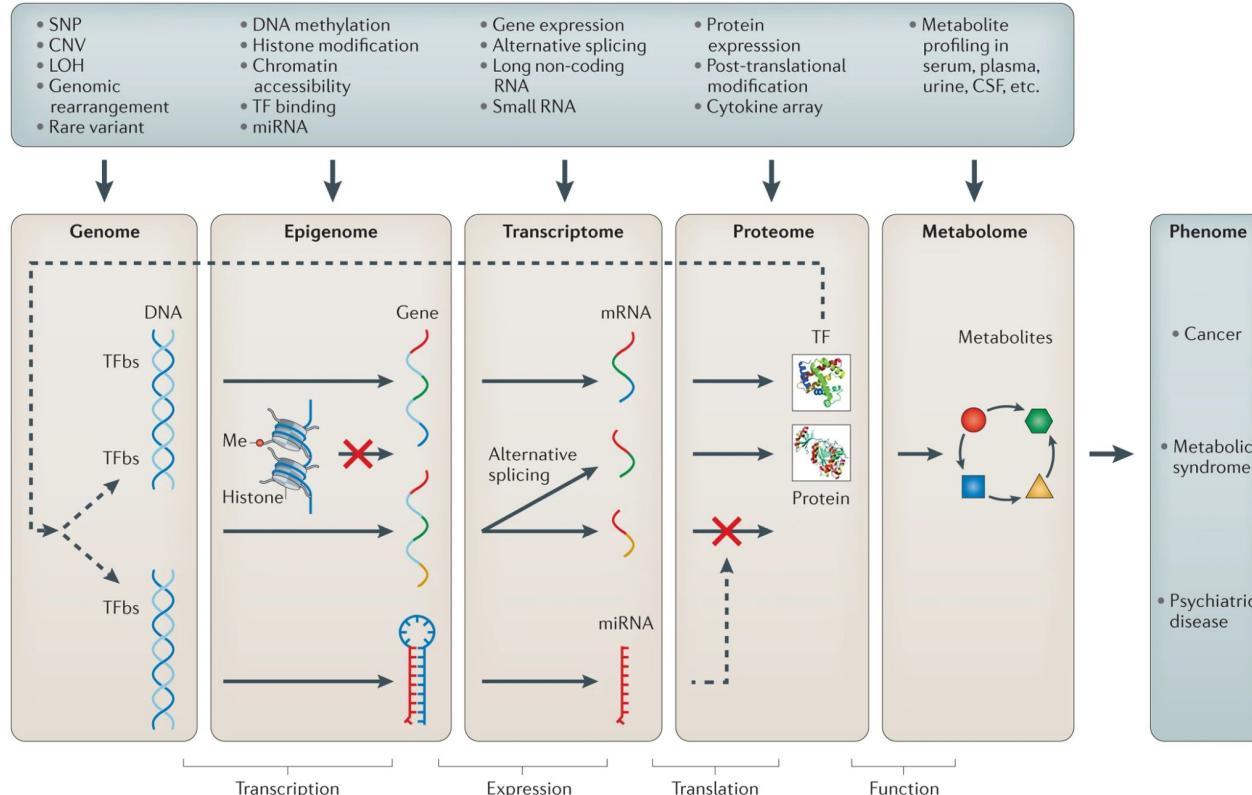
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Omics... which ones ?



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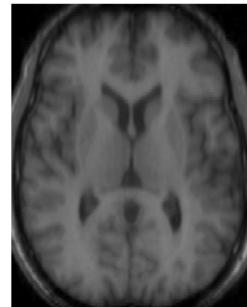
But also ?

Other data ?

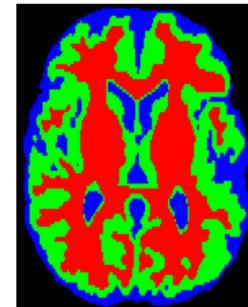
- clinical data
 - imaging data (full data or extracted characteristics)
 - new omics fields : fluxomics, ionomics, microbiomics, glycomics...
 - biological knowledge : DNA/protein, protein/protein interactions

→ a priori in model definition/construction

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(a) Axial slice

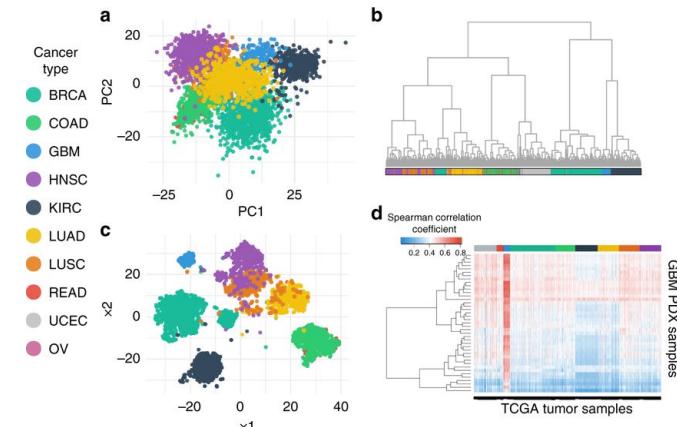
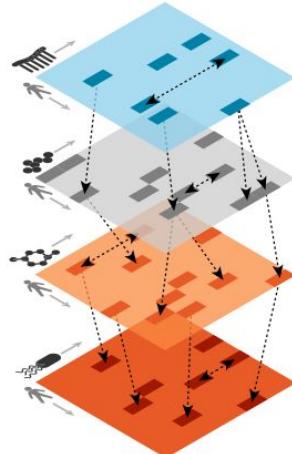


(b) Tissue segmentation



Integration: why ?

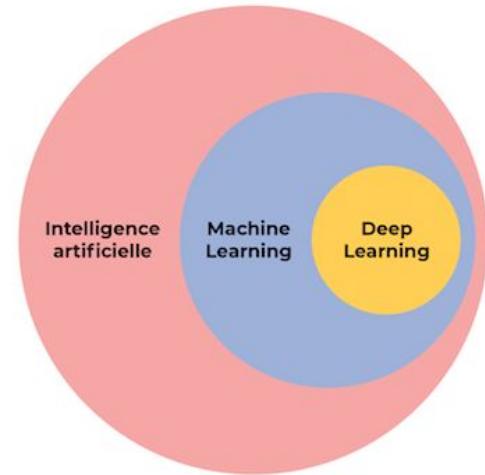
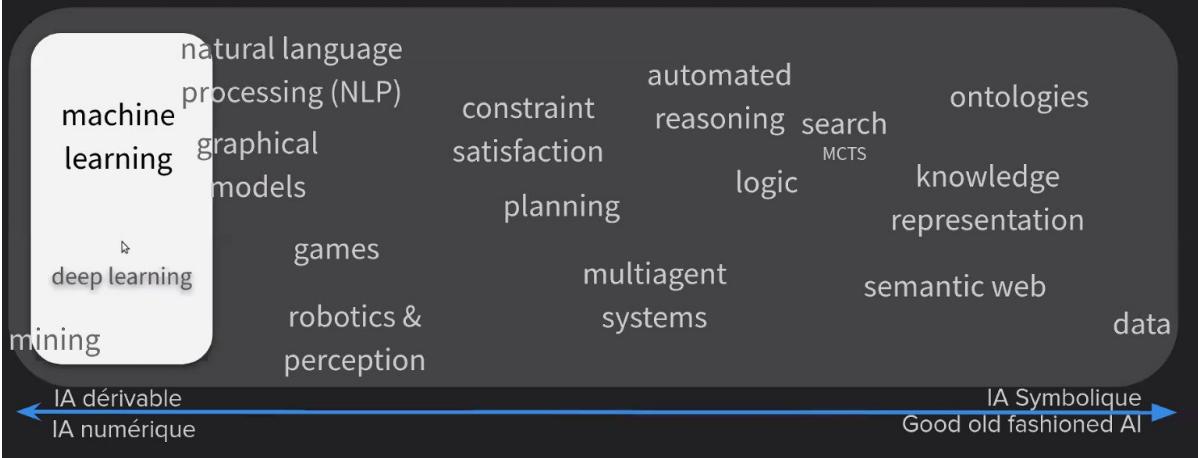
- Disease subtyping and classification
- Biomarkers prediction : diagnostic, disease drivers
- Deep insights into disease biology



Vasileios et al (2018). Drug and disease signature integration identifies synergistic combinations in glioblastoma. Nature Communications. 9.

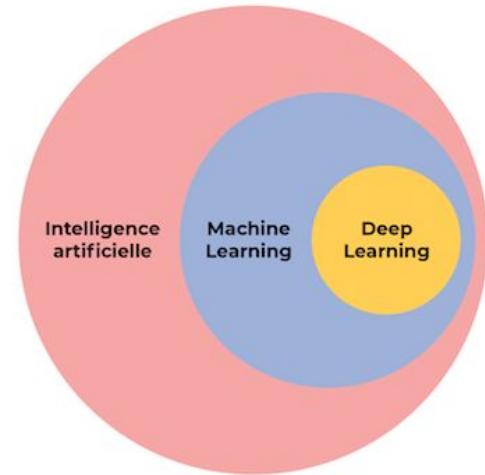
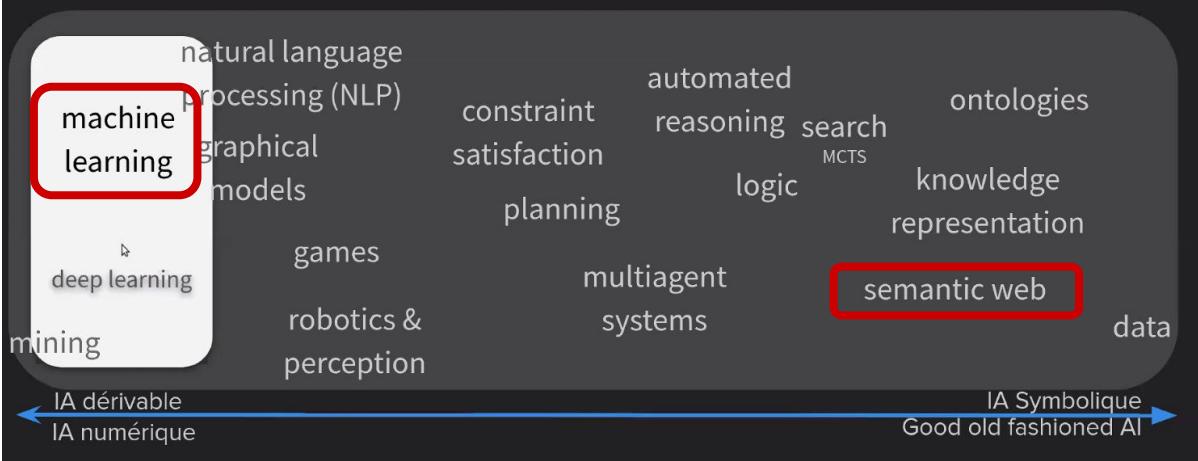
Integration: how ?

L'IA comme domaine de recherche

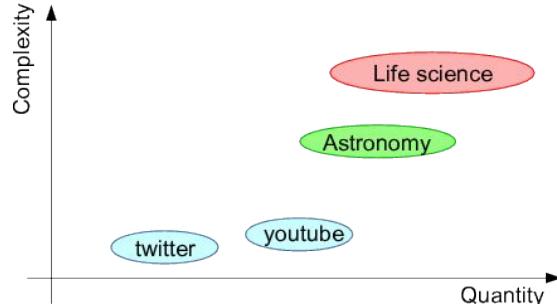


Integration: how ?

L'IA comme domaine de recherche



Integration with semantic web



Big Data: Astronomical or Genomical?

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Life science: 1600+ reference databases

→ integrating heterogeneous data and knowledge is (badly) needed!

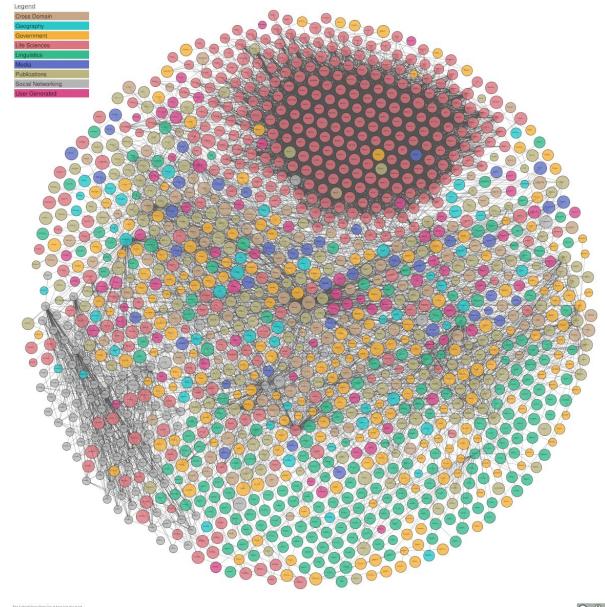
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Affiliations + expand

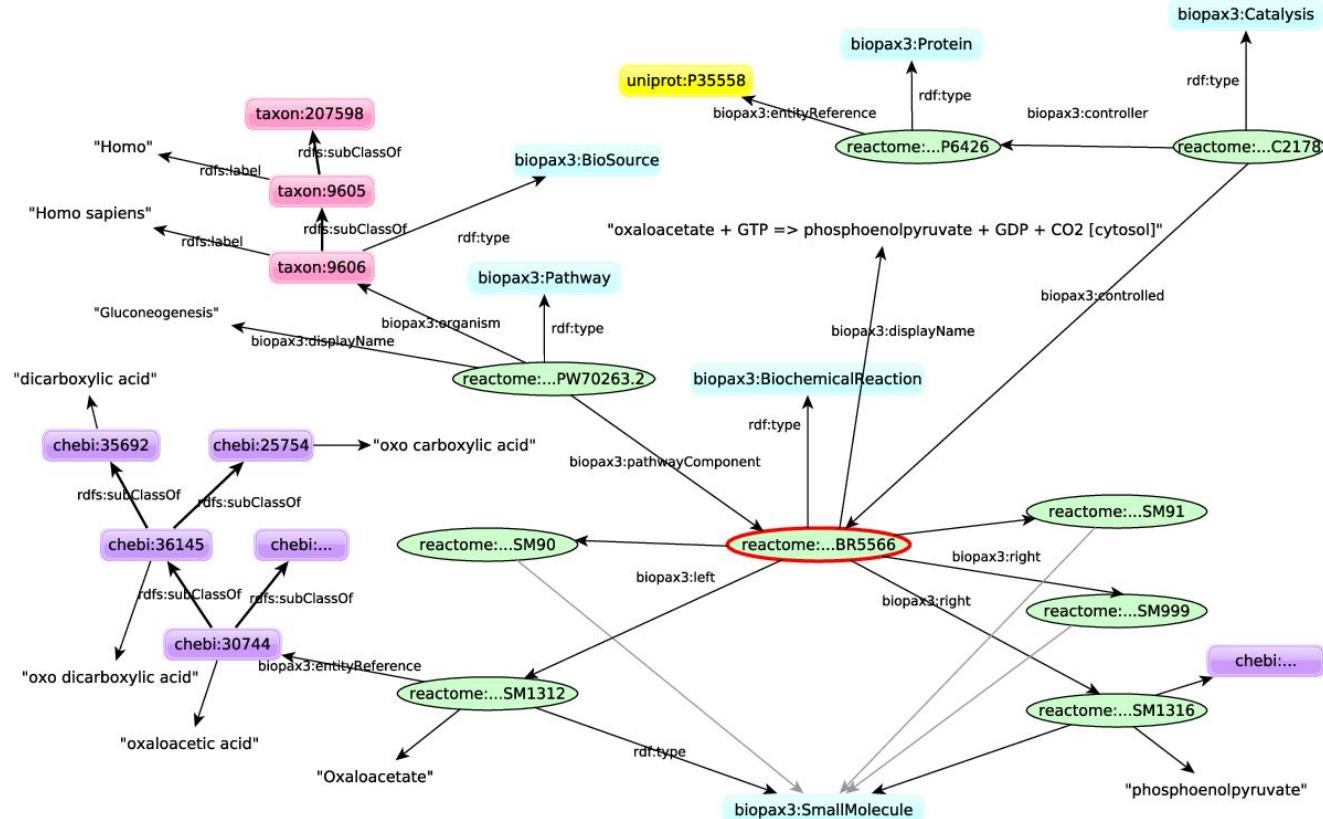
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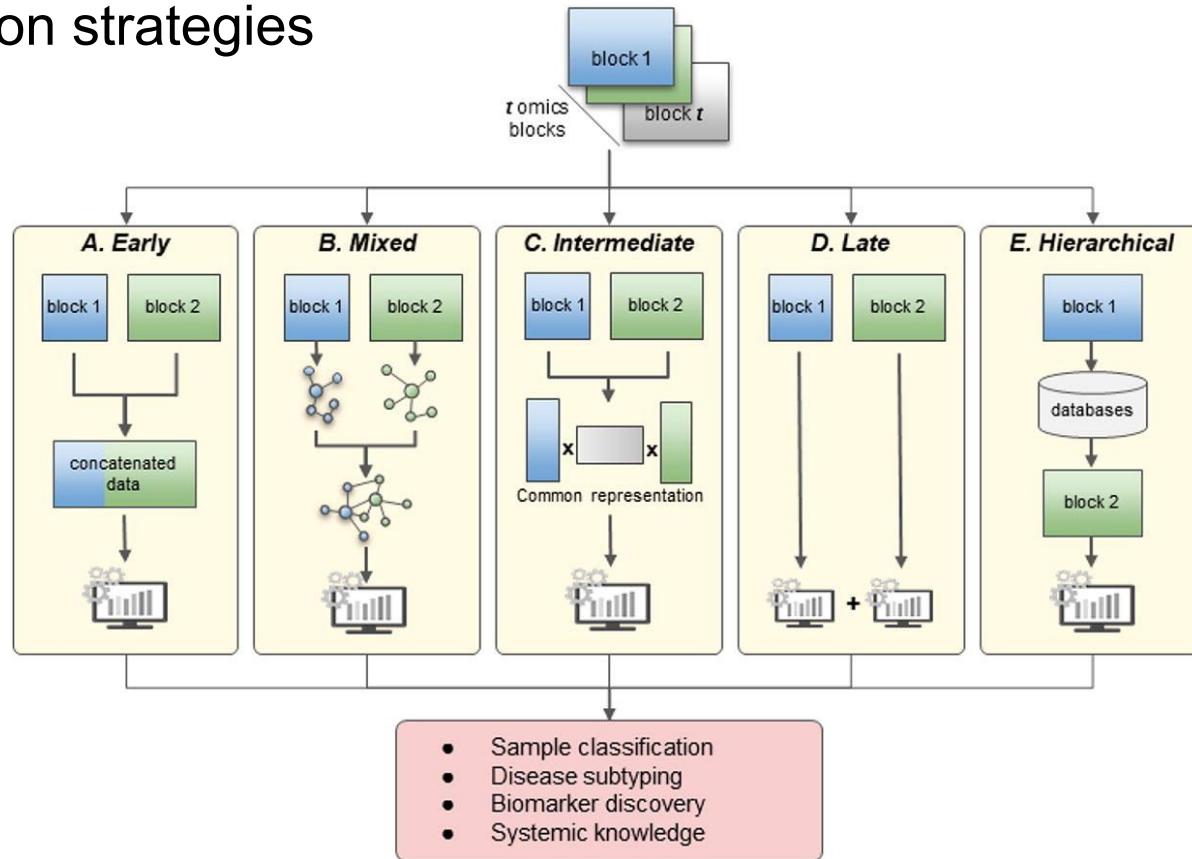
Semantic Web = framework for:

- integrating data and knowledge
- querying
- reasoning

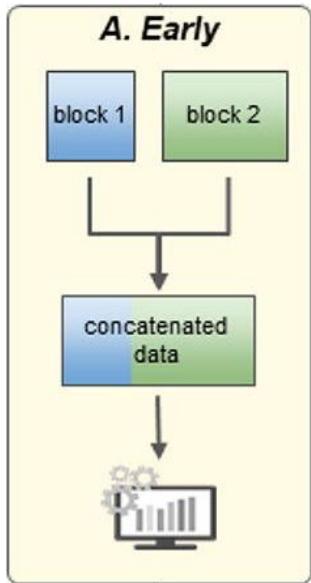
Integration with semantic web



Integration strategies



Integration strategies



Concatenate every omics datasets into a single large matrix.

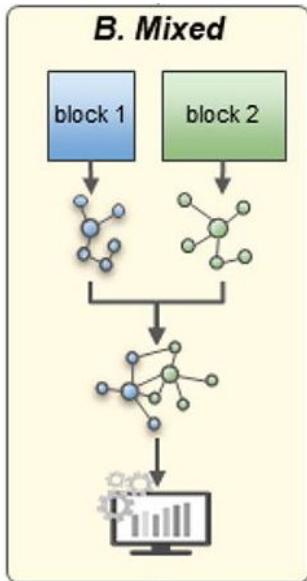
Pros :

- conceptually simple
- easy implementation
- directly uncovers interactions between omics

Cons :

- technically complicated (noisy and high dimensional concatenated matrix)
- requires to have omics on the same samples or same variables
- imbalanced omics datasets
- ignores the specific data distribution of each omics

Integration strategies



Transform independently each omics dataset into a simpler representation before integration.

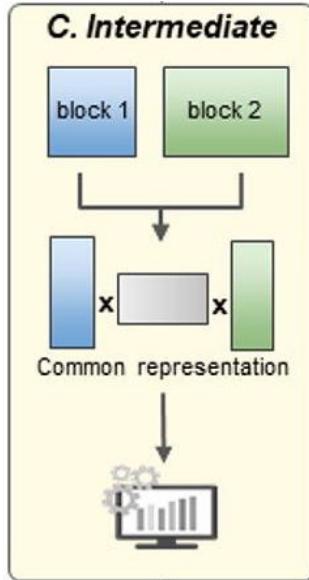
Pros :

- new representation is less dimensional and less noisy
- less heterogeneity between omics
- classical approaches can be used on combined representation

Cons :

- choice of the transformation method is not trivial
- requires correspondence between variables in the new representation
- information loss during transformation

Integration strategies



Jointly integrate the multi-omics datasets without prior transformation.

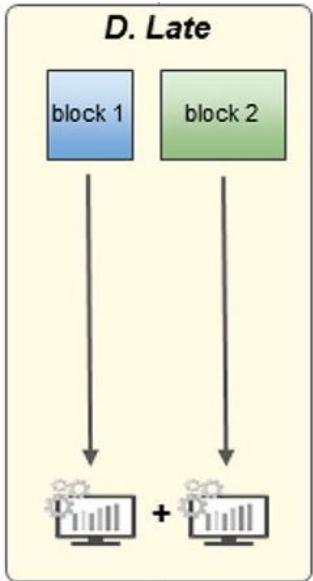
Pros :

- reduce information loss
- discover the joint inter-omics structure
- highlight the complementary information in each omics

Cons :

- could require robust pre-processing step to reduce heterogeneity
- common latent space assumption

Integration strategies



Apply machine learning models separately on each omics dataset and then combine results.

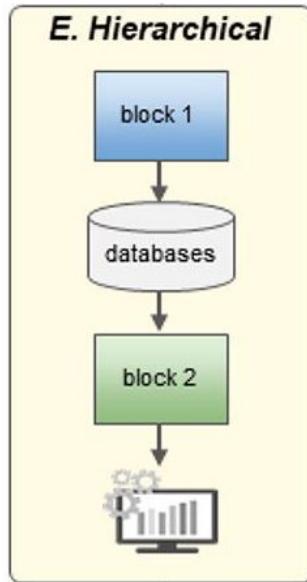
Pros :

- avoid (numerous) challenges of direct omics integration
- use tools designed specifically for each omics
- classical approaches can be used to combine results

Cons :

- cannot capture inter-omics interactions
- complementarity information between omics is not exploited

Integration strategies



Include prior knowledge of omics relationships.

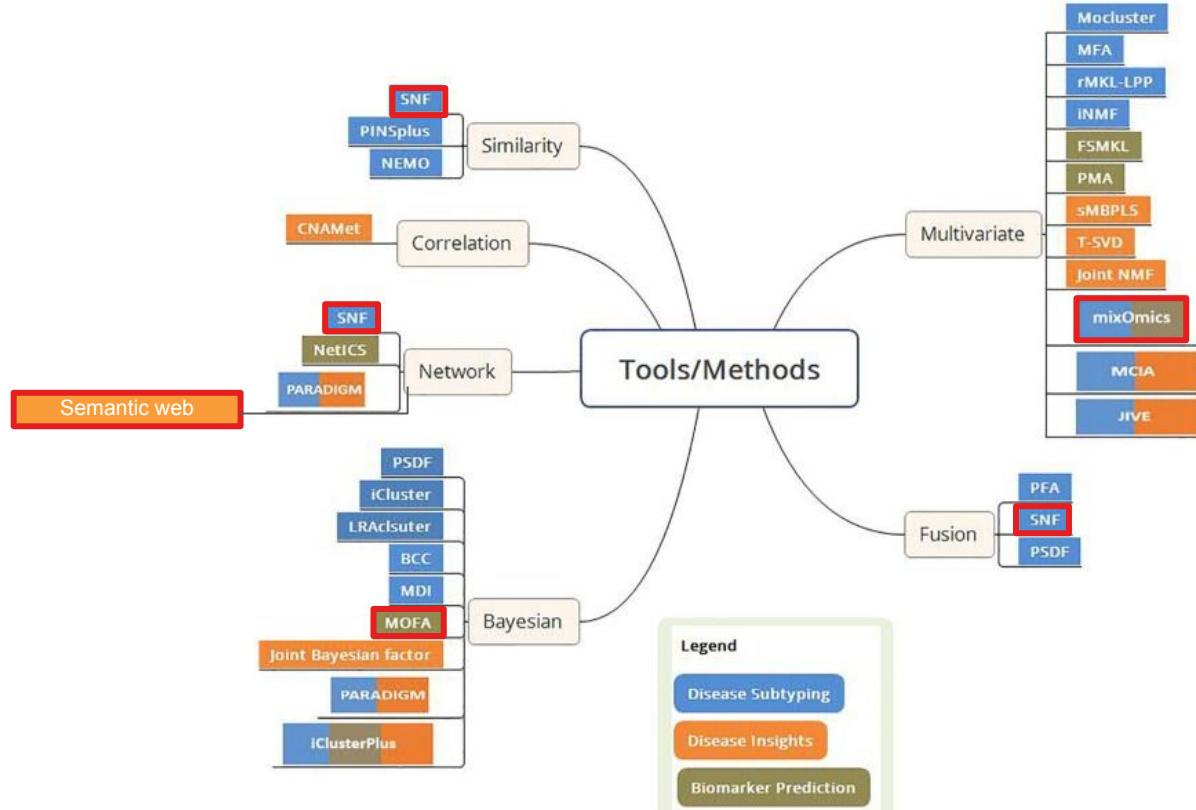
Pros :

- reduced complexity (sequential integration)
- integrate external knowledge

Cons :

- less generic than previous strategies

Integration approaches



Limits of integration approaches

Integration approaches are not magic!

You will still need to:

- carefully check design and confounding factors
- perform specific data pre-processing for each omic
- impute missing values* (different meaning → different strategy)
- choose your integration strategy based on your objective and your data (ex. matching between omics) → still no standard pipelines
- some omics bring more noise than answers

Web-applications

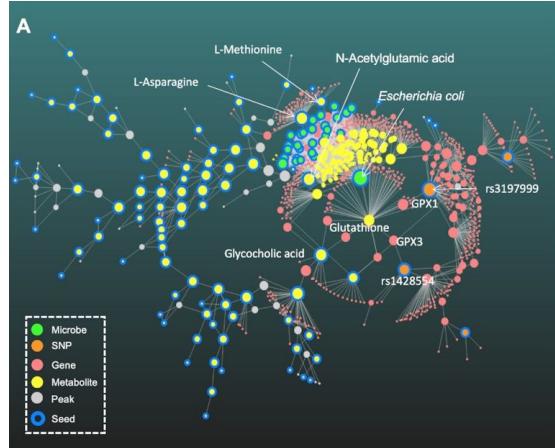
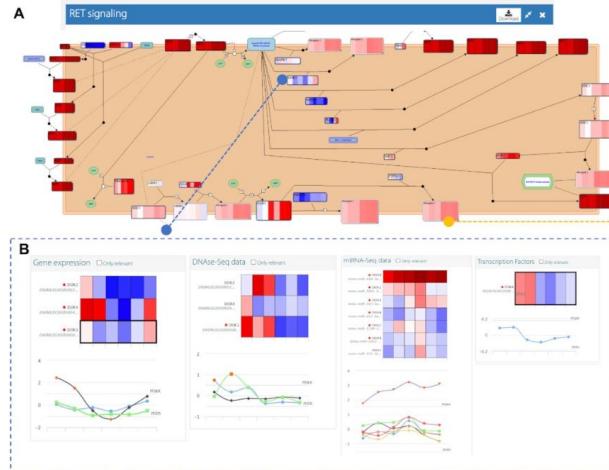
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