PowerExplorer Manual

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Introduction

Power and sample size estimation are non-trival Power Explorer is a power estimation and prediction tool currently designed for RNA-Seq and Quantitative Proteomics analyses. The estimation is based on simulation method which extend the sample size according to the distribution parameters estimated from the input data.

Prepare Input Data

For datasets of both RNA-Seq (gene expression levels) and Quantitative Proteomics (peptide abundance levels), the data matrix should arrange gene/protein entries as rows and samples as columns, for example:

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library(PowerExplorer)
data("exampleRNASeqData")
head(exampleRNASegData$dataMatrix[,1:5])
           Sample\_A\_1 Sample\_A\_2 Sample\_A\_3 Sample\_A\_4 Sample\_A\_5
#> Gene_1
                  469
                              324
                                           38
                                                      1059
#> Gene_2
                   84
                              276
                                          263
                                                       182
                                                                   181
#> Gene_3
                  293
                              173
                                          272
                                                       123
                                                                   475
#> Gene_4
                  310
                                                                   394
                              209
                                           550
                                                       212
#> Gene_5
                   82
                              141
                                          216
                                                       202
                                                                   494
#> Gene_6
                  583
                               98
                                           137
                                                       179
                                                                   214
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A grouping vector indicating the sample groups to which all the samples belong should also be created, for example:

Note that the grouping vector length should be equal to the column number of the data matrix, all groups conventionally should have the same number of samples, otherwise the tool will automatically even all the sample numbers to the least number to achieve equal groups.

Run Estimation

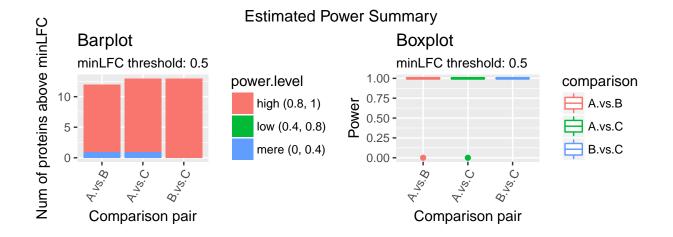
Here we use a randomly generated proteomics dataset exampleProteomicsData as an example to estimate the current power of the dataset and then predict the power according to desired sample sizes. The input dataset is named as dataMatrix and the grouping vector as groupVec.

To run the estimation, apart from the input, we still need to specify the following parameters:

- isLogTransformed: FALSE, the input data is not log-transformed
- dataType: "Proteomics", declare the datatype as "Proteomics"
- minLFC: 0.5, the threshold of Log2 Fold Change, proteins with lower LFC will be discarded
- alpha: 0.05, the controlled false positive rate
- ST: 100, the statistical test and data simulation of each protein entry will be run 100 times
- seed: 345, specify the seed of the random variables to maintain the reproducibility
- showProcess: FALSE, no detailed processes will be shown, set to TRUE if debug is needed
- saveSimulatedData: TRUE, save the simulated data in root/savedData directory

The results will be summaried in barplot, boxplot and summary table.

The estimated results can be summarized using plotCurrentPower, the input data should be the estimated power object produced from estimateCurrentPower, the result graph can be saved if wanted.



Comp.	Protein Num.	Avg. Power	H (0.8, 1)	L (0.4, 0.8)	M (0, 0.4)
A.vs.B	12	0.92	11 (91.67%)	0 (0%)	1 (8.33%)
A.vs.C	13	0.92	12 (92.31%)	0 (0%)	1 (7.69%)
B.vs.C	13	1.00	13 (100%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)

Run Predictions

Here we load the same dataset used in the previous estimation, to run a prediction, a few more parameters are needed:

- isLogTransformed: FALSE, the input data is not log-transformed
- dataType: "Proteomics", declare the datatype as "Proteomics"
- minlfc: 0.5, the threshold of Log2 Fold Change, proteins with lower LFC will be discarded
- alpha: 0.05, the controlled false positive rate
- \bullet ST: 30, the statistical test and data simulation of each protein entry will be run 30 times, recommend to be more than 50
- seed: 345, specify the seed of the random variables to maintain the reproducibility
- showProcess: FALSE, no detailed processes will be shown, set to TRUE if debug is needed
- saveSimulatedData: TRUE, save the simulated data in root/savedData directory

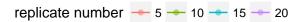
The predicted results can be summaried using plotPredictedPower. The input should be the predicted power object returned from predictSampleSizePower, the summary can be optionally visualized by setting the following parameters:

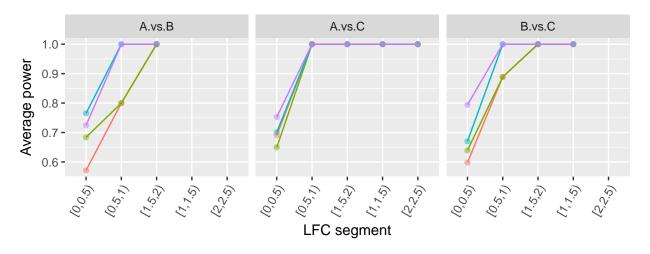
- plotType: power-samplesize-foldchange relationship can be visualized optionally between "lineplot" and "heatmap".
- minLFC and maxLFC: to observe power in a specific range of LFC
- LFCscale: to determine the LFC scale of the observation
- savePlot: whether the graph will be saved as a picture file

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Lineplot (LFCscale = 0.5):
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Average Predicted Power within LFC ranges

segmented by every 0.5 Log2FoldChange (minLFC: 0, maxLFC: 2)





Heatmap (LFCscale = 0.5):

Average Predicted Power within LFC ranges

segmented by every 0.5 Log2FoldChange (minLFC: 0, maxLFC: 2)

