

Class 11

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Section 4: Population Scale Analysis

One sample is obviously not enough to know what is happening in a population. You are interested in assessing genetic differences on a population scale. So, you processed about ~230 samples and did the normalization on a genome level. Now, you want to find whether there is any association of the 4 asthma-associated SNPs (rs8067378...) on ORMDL3 expression.

Q13: Read this file into R and determine the sample size for each genotype and their corresponding median expression levels for each of these genotypes.

```
# Read data into table  
exp_data <- read.table('rs8067378_ENSG00000172057.6.csv')  
head(exp_data)
```

	sample	geno	exp
1	HG00367	A/G	28.96038
2	NA20768	A/G	20.24449
3	HG00361	A/A	31.32628
4	HG00135	A/A	34.11169
5	NA18870	G/G	18.25141
6	NA11993	A/A	32.89721

```
# Sample sizes of each genotype  
table(exp_data$geno)
```

	A/A	A/G	G/G
108	233	121	

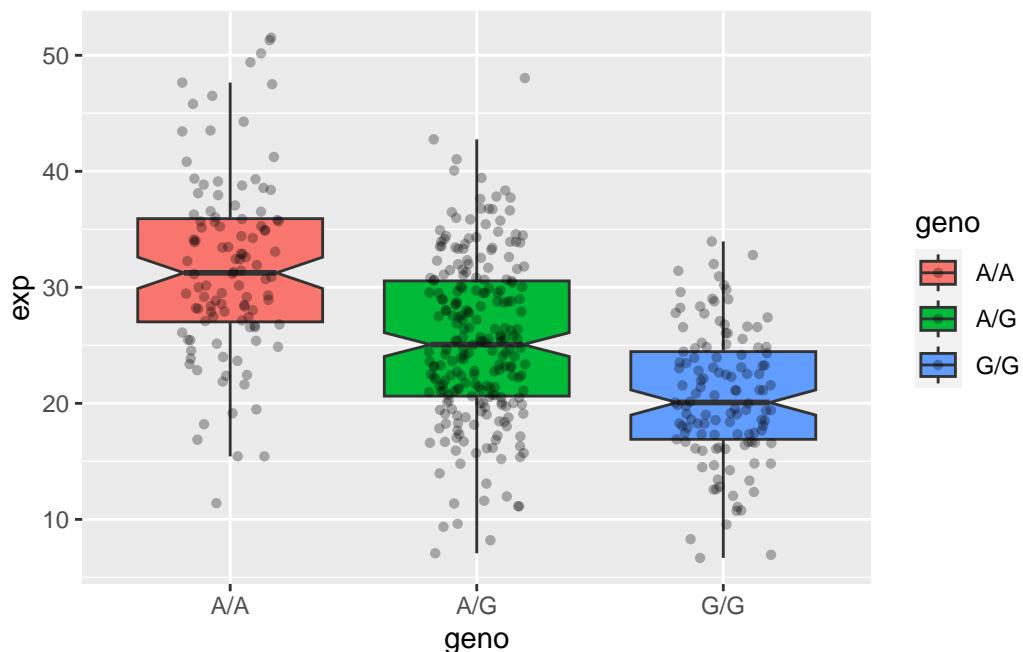
Find the median expression value of each genotype.

```
aggregate(exp_data$exp, list(exp_data$geno), median)
```

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Group.1      x
1    A/A 31.24847
2    A/G 25.06486
3    G/G 20.07363
```

Q14: Generate a boxplot with a box per genotype, what could you infer from the relative expression value between A/A and G/G displayed in this plot? Does the SNP effect the expression of ORMDL3?

```
library(ggplot2)
p <- ggplot(exp_data) +
  aes(x=geno, y=exp, fill=geno) +
  geom_boxplot(notch=TRUE, outlier.shape=NA)
p + geom_jitter(shape=16, position=position_jitter(0.2), alpha = 0.3)
```



The SNP decreases overall expression of ORMDL3