

Announcements

- -Journal clubs: please upload your slides to #papers channel
- -Next week: start with 1 journal club (Y27-H-46), then go to computer room (Y01-F-50) for the first 'workflow' day, where you get to see all the steps of a computational pipeline (+ exercise)
- -led by Dr. Charlotte Soneson: if you want to run on your local computer, some setup is required and Charlotte will share details on Slack

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limma fundamentals

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Differential expression, small sample inference

- Table of data (e.g., microarray gene expression data with replicates of each of condition A, condition B)
 - rows = features (e.g., genes), columns = experimental units (samples)
- Most common problem in statistical bioinformatics: want to infer whether there is a change in the response
 —> a statistical test for each row of the table.

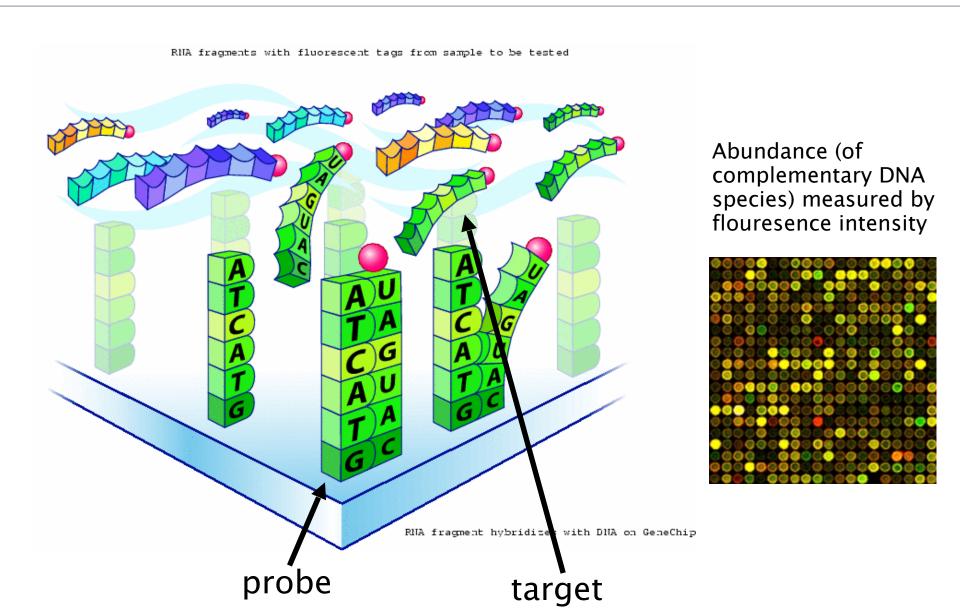
What test might you use? Why is this hard? What issues arise? How much statistical power is there [1]?

```
> head(y)
group0 group0 group0 group1 group1 group1 group1
gene1 -0.1874854 0.2584037 -0.05550717 -0.4617966 -0.3563024 -0.03271432
gene2 -3.5418798 -2.4540999 0.11750996 -4.3270442 -5.3462622 -5.54049106
gene3 -0.1226303 0.9354707 -1.10537767 -0.1037990 0.5221678 -1.72360854
gene4 -2.3394536 -0.3495697 -3.47742610 -3.2287093 6.1376670 -2.23871974
gene5 -3.7978820 1.4545702 -7.14796503 -4.0500796 4.7235714 10.00033769
gene6 1.4627078 -0.3096070 -0.26230124 -0.7903434 0.8398769 -0.96822312
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DNA microarray: arrays of northern blots

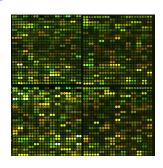
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Microarray expression measures array

Two-colour



$$y_{ga} = log_2(R/G)$$
probe or gene

Affymetrix



Illumina



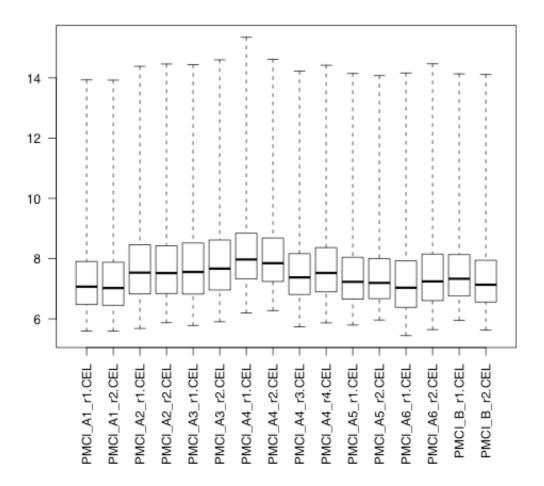


Normalization: one-colour





Similarly for single channel data, adjustments need to be made for all samples to be comparable.





Preprocessing: additive + multiplicative error model

Observe intensity for one probe on one array

Intensity = background + signal
$$I = B + S$$
additive errors
$$I = S$$
multiplicative errors

This idea underlies variance stabilizing transformations vsn (two colour data) and vst (for Illumina data)



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normexp convolution model

Intensity = Background + Signal

 $N(\mu,\sigma^2)$

Exponential(α)

Microarray background correction: maximum likelihood estimation for the normal-exponential convolution

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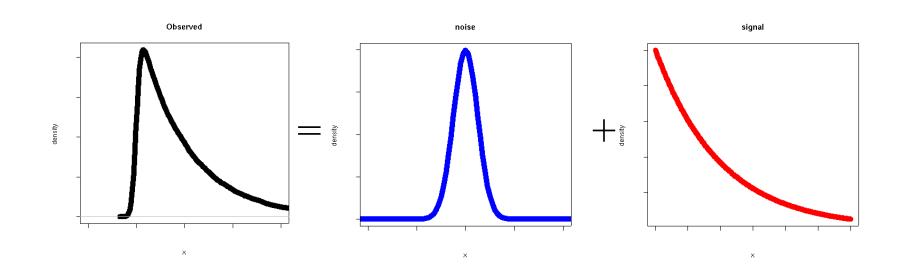
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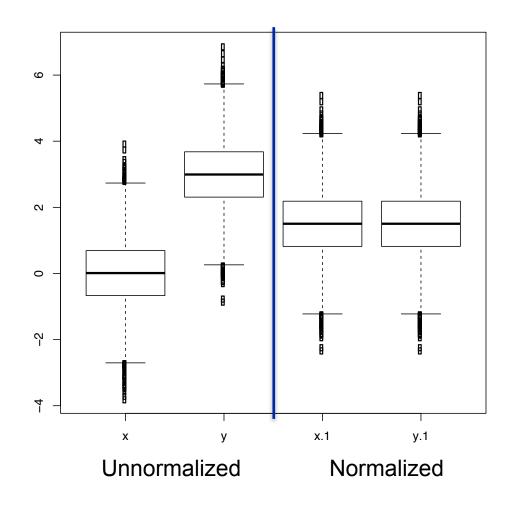
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Quantile normalization

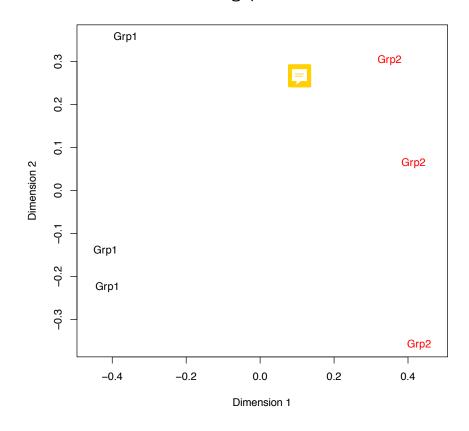


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x <- rnorm(10000, mean=0, sd=1)
y <- rnorm(10000, mean=3)
z <- cbind(x,y)</pre>
# create "reference" distribution
s <- apply(z,2,sort)</pre>
sm <- rowMeans(s)</pre>
# impose ref. distribution by ranks
r \leftarrow apply(z,2,rank)
n <- apply(r,2,function(u) sm[u])</pre>
boxplot( data.frame(x=x,y=y,n) )
#> library(limma)
#> zn <- normalizeQuantiles(z)</pre>
#> all(zn==n)
#[1] TRUE
```



Quality assessments

Multidimensional scaling plot



```
sd <- 0.3*sqrt(4/rchisq(1000,df=4))
x \leftarrow matrix(rnorm(1000*6, sd=sd), 1000, 6)
x[1:50,4:6] \leftarrow x[1:50,4:6] + 2
mds <- plotMDS(x)</pre>
> round(mds$distance.matrix,3)
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
[1,] 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.00
[2,] 0.835 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.00
[3,] 0.850 0.793 0.000 0.000 0.00
[4,] 1.089 1.068 1.058 0.000 0.00
[5,] 1.050 1.058 1.072 0.863 0.00
[6,] 0.991 1.047 1.046 0.865 0.85
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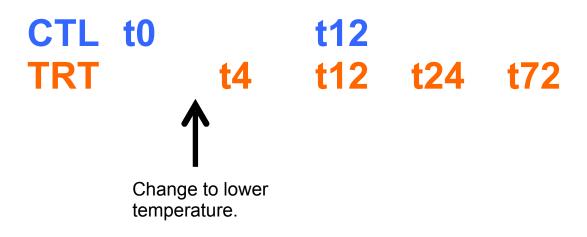
"To consult the statistician after an experiment is finished is often merely to ask him[her] to conduct a post mortem examination. He[She] can perhaps say what the experiment died of." R. A. Fisher

Motivation for exploratory data analysis: Case Study

(from Stefano, a former M.Sc. student in my Institute)

He is studying gene expression in fruitfly and is interested in transcriptional responses following "heat shock".

Basic schematic of experiment:



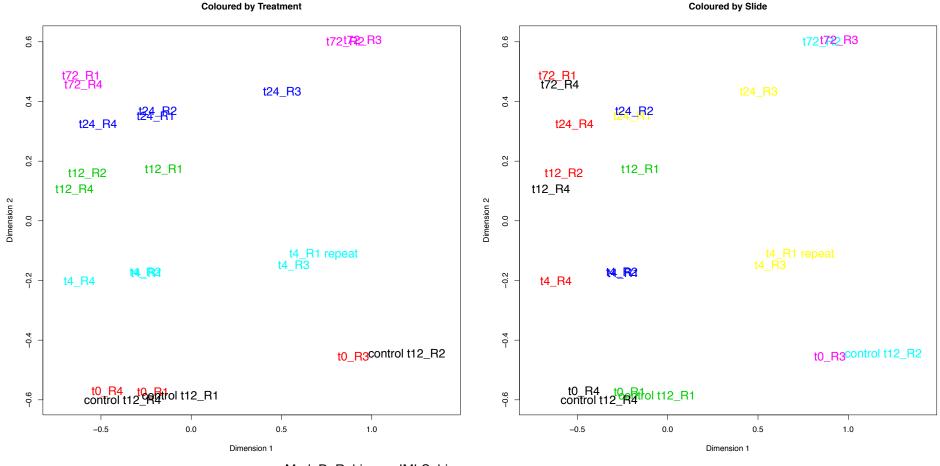
~4 replicates for each condition



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library(limma)
plotMDS(d) # 'd' is a matrix

Take a close look at where the replicates are to each other relative to the X-and Y-axes



22 samples x ~20,000 genes

reduced to 22 samples x 2 dimensions

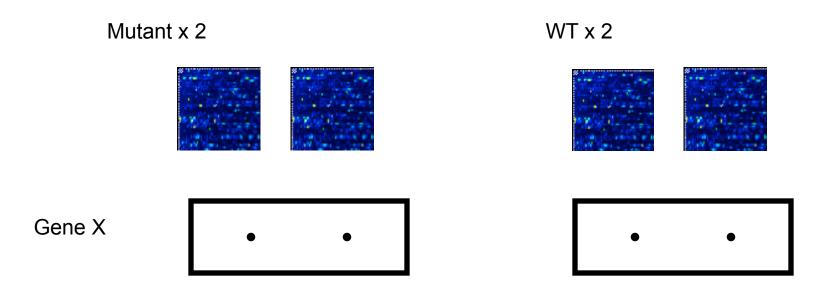


Limma concept: borrowing information across genes

- Small data sets: few samples, generally under-powered for 1 gene
- Curse of dimensionality: many tests, need to adjust for multiple testing (= loss of power)
- Benefit of parallelism: same model is fit for every gene. Can borrow information from one gene to another
 - Hard: assume parameters are constant across genes
 - Soft: smooth genewise parameters towards a common value in a graduated way, e.g., Bayes, empirical Bayes, Stein shrinkage ...



A very common experiment (1-colour)



Which genes are differentially expressed?

$$n_1 = n_2 = 2$$
 Affymetrix arrays
~30,000 probe-sets



Ordinary t-tests (1-colour)

$$t_{\!\scriptscriptstyle g} = rac{\overline{y}_{
m mu} - \overline{y}_{
m wt}}{s_{\!\scriptscriptstyle g} \, c}$$

give very high false discovery rates

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} \qquad \qquad \text{Residual df = 2}$$



t-tests with common variance

$$t_{g, ext{pooled}} = rac{\overline{y}_{ ext{mu}} - \overline{y}_{ ext{wt}}}{s_0 \, c}$$

with residual standard deviation across genes

 S_0

pooled

More stable, but ignores gene-specific variability

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$



A better compromise

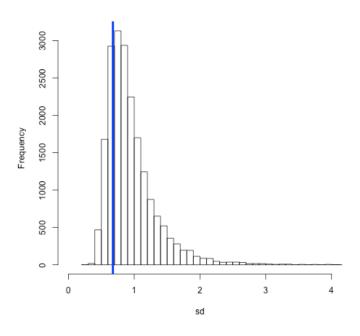
Shrink standard deviations towards common value

$$\tilde{s}_{g}^{2} = rac{d_{0}s_{0}^{2} + d_{g}s_{g}^{2}}{d_{0} + d_{g}}$$

Moderated t-statistics

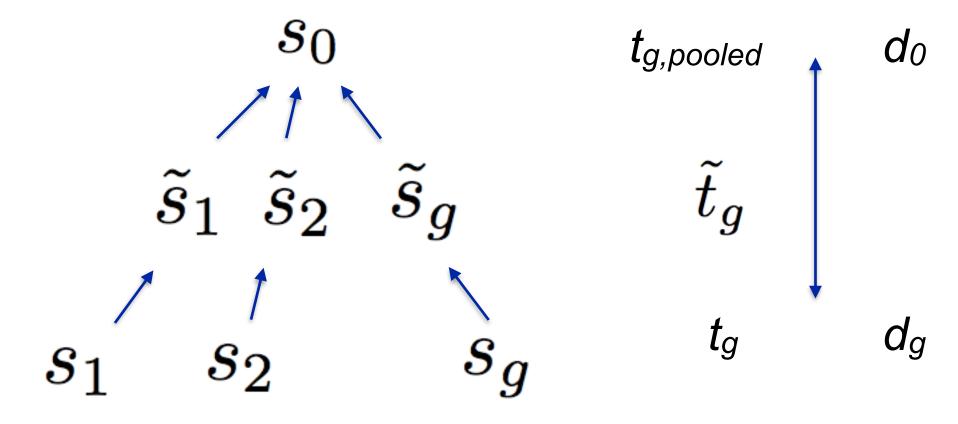
$$ilde{t}_{g} = rac{\overline{y}_{ ext{mu}} - \overline{y}_{ ext{wt}}}{ ilde{s}_{g} \, u}$$

d = degrees of freedom





Shrinkage of standard deviations



The **data decides** whether $ilde{t}_g$ should be closer to $t_{g,pooled}$ or t_g



Why does it work?

- We learn what is the typical variability level by looking at all genes, but allow some flexibility from this for individual genes
- Adaptive data (through hyperparameter estimates, d₀ and s₀) suggests how much to "squeeze" toward common value



Hierarchical model for variances

Data	$s_g^2 \sim \sigma_g^2 rac{\chi_{d_g}^2}{d_g}$
Prior	$rac{1}{\sigma_g^2} \sim s_0^2 rac{\chi_{d_0}^2}{d_0}$
Posterior	$E\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_g^2} \mid s_g^2\right) = \frac{d_0 + d_g}{s_0^2 d_0 + s_g^2 d_g}$



Posterior Statistics

Posterior variance estimators

$$\tilde{s}_g^2 = \frac{s_0^2 d_0 + s_g^2 d_g}{d_0 + d_g}$$

Moderated t-statistics

$$ilde{t}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle gj} = rac{\hat{eta}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle gj}}{ ilde{s}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle g} \sqrt{c_{\!\scriptscriptstyle gj}}}$$

Baldi & Long 2001, Wright & Simon 2003, Smyth 2004



Exact distribution for moderated t

An unexpected piece of mathematics shows that, under the null hypothesis,

$$ilde{t}_g \sim t_{d_0+d_g}$$

The degrees of freedom add!

The Bayes prior in effect adds d₀ extra arrays for estimating the variance.

Wright and Simon 2003, Smyth 2004



Aside: Marginal Distributions to calculate

Under usual likelihood model, s_g is independent of the estimated coefficients.

Under the hierarchical model, s_g is independent of the moderated t-statistics instead

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Multiple testing and adjusted p-values

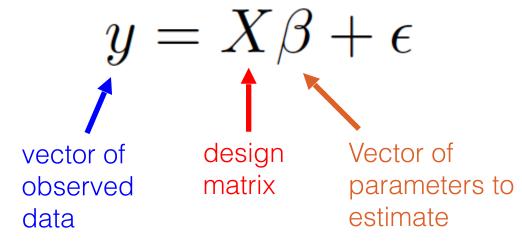
- Each statistical test has an associated false positive rate
- Traditional method in statistics is to control family wise error rate, e.g., by Bonferroni.
- Controlling the false discovery rate (FDR) is more appropriate in microarray studies
- Benjamini and Hochberg method controls expected FDR for independent or weakly dependent test statistics. Simulation studies support use for genomic data.
- All methods can be implemented in terms of adjusted p-values.



Linear Models

- In general, need to specify:
 - Dependent variable
 - Explanatory variables (experimental design, covariates, etc.)

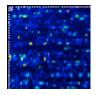
More generally:

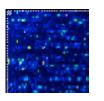




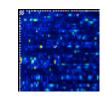
Design → Linear models

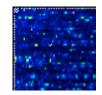
WT x 2











$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \beta_1 = \text{wt log-expression}$$

$$\beta_2 = \text{mutant} - \text{wt}$$

$$\beta_1$$
 = wt log-expression

$$\beta_2$$
 = mutant – wt

$$E[y_1]=E[y_2]=\beta_1$$
 $E[y_3]=E[y_4]=\beta_1+\beta_2$



Layers to add ..

- Where does the moderated variance come from?
- Why the degrees of freedom add: d₀ + d
- empirical Bayes: how to estimate the hyperparameters (d₀ and s₀)
- Design matrices + contrast matrices in practice



The construction of the classical t-statistic:

$$Z = \left(\overline{X}_n - \mu\right) \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}$$

$$V = (n-1)\frac{S_n^2}{\sigma^2}$$

$$T \equiv \frac{Z}{\sqrt{V/\nu}} = \left(\overline{X}_n - \mu\right) \frac{\sqrt{n}}{S_n},$$

Stated another way → Exercise (optional): what are a, b above?

If T is distributed as $(a/b)^{1/2}Z/U$ where $Z \sim N(0,1)$ and $U \sim \chi_{\nu}$, then T has density function

$$p(t) = \frac{a^{\nu/2}b^{1/2}}{B(1/2, \nu/2)(a+bt^2)^{1/2+\nu/2}}$$

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Optional exercise: Derive the posterior

Data

Prior

 $s_g^2 \sim \sigma_g^2 rac{\chi_{d_g}^2}{d_g}$

$$rac{1}{\sigma_g^2} \sim s_0^2 rac{\chi_{d_0}^2}{d_0}$$

$$p(\theta|x) = \frac{f(x|\theta)p(\theta)}{\int f(x|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta}$$

Posterior

$$E\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_g^2} \mid s_g^2\right) = \frac{d_0 + d_g}{s_0^2 d_0 + s_g^2 d_g}$$

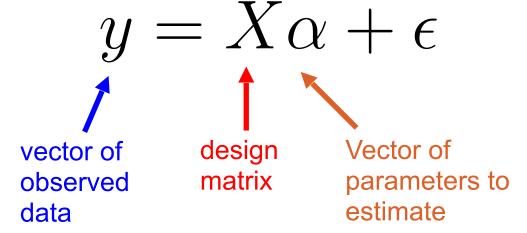
Optional exercise

Sketch: i) Let $x=s^2$, $\theta=\sigma^{-2}$; ii) Using the functional form of chi-squared distribution, calculate only the numerator (since denominator does not contain θ); iii) collect terms and see if you can identify the distribution and the parameters of it; iv) What is the mean of this distribution?



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- More generally:



Obtain a linear model for each gene g

$$E(\underline{y}_g) = X\underline{\alpha}_g$$
$$\operatorname{var}(\underline{y}_g) = W_g^{-1}\sigma_g^2$$



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$$p(\hat{\beta}, s^2 \mid \beta = 0) = \int p(\hat{\beta} \mid \sigma^{-2}, \beta = 0) p(s^2 \mid \sigma^{-2}) p(\sigma^{-2}) d(\sigma^{-2})$$

The integrand is

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{(2\pi v\sigma^2)^{1/2}}\exp\left(-\frac{\hat{\beta}^2}{2v\sigma^2}\right) \\ &\times \left[\frac{d}{2\sigma^2}\right]^{d/2}\frac{s^{2(d/2-1)}}{\Gamma(d/2)}\exp\left(-\frac{ds^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &\times \left[\frac{d_0s_0^2}{2}\right]^{d_0/2}\frac{\sigma^{-2(d_0/2-1)}}{\Gamma(d_0/2)}\exp\left(-\sigma^{-2}\frac{d_0s_0^2}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{(d_0s_0^2/2)^{d_0/2}(d/2)^{d/2}s^{2(d/2-1)}}{(2\pi v)^{1/2}\Gamma(d_0/2)\Gamma(d/2)} \\ &= \sigma^{-2(1/2+d_0/2+d/2-1)}\exp\left\{-\sigma^{-2}\left(\frac{\hat{\beta}^2}{2v} + \frac{ds^2}{2} + \frac{d_0s_0^2}{2}\right)\right\} \end{split}$$



$$p(\hat{\beta}, s^2 \mid \beta = 0) = \int p(\hat{\beta} \mid \sigma^{-2}, \beta = 0) p(s^2 \mid \sigma^{-2}) p(\sigma^{-2}) d(\sigma^{-2})$$

$$= \frac{(d_0 s_0^2/2)^{d_0/2} (d/2)^{d/2} s^{2(d/2-1)}}{(2\pi v)^{1/2} \Gamma(d_0/2) \Gamma(d/2)}$$

$$\sigma^{-2(1/2+d_0/2+d/2-1)} \exp\left\{-\sigma^{-2} \left(\frac{\hat{\beta}^2}{2v} + \frac{ds^2}{2} + \frac{d_0 s_0^2}{2}\right)\right\}$$

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 σ^{-2} is chi-squared (or gamma)

$$f(x; k) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^{(k/2)-1}e^{-x/2}}{2^{k/2}\Gamma(\frac{k}{2})}, & x \ge 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



$$p(\hat{\beta}, s^2 | \beta = 0) = \int p(\hat{\beta} | \sigma^{-2}, \beta = 0) p(s^2 | \sigma^{-2}) p(\sigma^{-2}) d(\sigma^{-2})$$

$$\begin{split} p(\hat{\beta}, s^2 \mid \beta &= 0) \\ &= \frac{(1/2v)^{1/2} (d_0 s_0^2/2)^{d_0/2} (d/2)^{d/2} s^{2(d/2-1)}}{D(1/2, d_0/2, d/2)} \left(\frac{\hat{\beta}^2/v + d_0 s_0^2 + ds^2}{2} \right)^{-(1+d_0+d)/2} \end{split}$$



$$p(\hat{\beta}, s^2 \mid \beta = 0)$$

$$= \frac{(1/2v)^{1/2} (d_0 s_0^2 / 2)^{d_0 / 2} (d/2)^{d/2} s^{2(d/2-1)}}{D(1/2, d_0 / 2, d/2)} \left(\frac{\hat{\beta}^2 / v + d_0 s_0^2 + ds^2}{2}\right)^{-(1+d_0+d)/2}$$

The null joint distribution of \tilde{t} and s^2 is

$$p(\tilde{t}, s^2 | \beta = 0) = \tilde{s}v^{1/2}p(\hat{\beta}, s^2 | \beta = 0)$$

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Random_variable#Distribution_functions_of_random_variables

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{dg^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right|$$



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This shows that \tilde{t} and s^2 are independent with

$$s^2 \sim s_0^2 F_{d,d_0}$$

and

$$\tilde{t} \mid \beta = 0 \sim t_{d_0 + d}.$$





Analysis of Variance → **Linear model**

WT x 2





Cond A x 2





Cond B x 2





$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \\ y_5 \\ y_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_3 \\ \epsilon_4 \\ \epsilon_5 \\ \epsilon_6 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 = \text{wt log-expression} \\ \alpha_2 = \text{Cond A - wt} \\ \alpha_3 = \text{Cond B - wt} \\ \end{array}$$

$$\alpha_1$$
 = wt log-expression

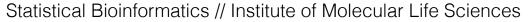
$$a_2 = Cond A - wt$$

$$a_3 = Cond B - w$$

$$E[y_1]=E[y_2]=\alpha_1$$

$$E[y_3] = E[y_4] = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$$

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 $E[y_5] = E[y_6] = \alpha_1 + \alpha_3$





Analysis of Variance → **Linear model, alternative parameterization**

WT x 2





Cond A x 2





Cond B x 2





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An example use of design and contrast matrices

design matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \\ y_5 \\ y_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_3 \\ \epsilon_4 \\ \epsilon_5 \\ \epsilon_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\beta = C\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_3 - \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



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Limma / Analysis of Variance

$$F = \frac{\text{variance between treatments}}{\text{variance within treatments}}$$

$$F = \frac{MS_{\text{Treatments}}}{MS_{\text{Error}}} = \frac{SS_{\text{Treatments}}/(I-1)}{SS_{\text{Error}}/(n_T - I)}$$

The moderated t-statistics also lead naturally to moderated F-statistics which can be used to test hypotheses about any set of contrasts simultaneously. Appropriate quadratic forms of moderated t-statistics follow F-distributions just as do quadratic forms of ordinary t-statistics. Suppose that we wish to test all contrasts for a given gene equal to zero, i.e., $H_0: \beta_g = 0$. The correlation matrix of $\hat{\beta}_g$ is $R_g = U_g^{-1}C^TV_gCU_g^{-1}$ where U_g is the diagonal matrix with unscaled standard deviations $(v_{gj})^{1/2}$ on the diagonal. Let r be the column rank of C. Let Q_g be such that $Q_g^TR_gQ_g = I_r$ and let $\mathbf{q}_g = Q_g^T\mathbf{t}_g$. Then

$$F_g = \mathbf{q}_g^T \mathbf{q}_g / r = \mathbf{t}_g^T Q_g Q_g^T \mathbf{t}_g / r \sim F_{r,d_0 + d_g}$$



Aside: Marginal Distributions to calculate

Fun fact: Under usual likelihood model, s_g is independent of the estimated coefficients.

Under the hierarchical model, s_g is independent of the moderated t-statistics instead

$$s_g^2 \sim s_0^2 F_{d,d_0}$$

Thus, the set of s_g can be used to estimated d_0 and s_0

Section 6.2 limma paper: other tricks, such as Fisher's z distribution to estimate d₀ and s₀



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Relate to limma objects

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \\ y_5 \\ y_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_3 \\ \epsilon_4 \\ \epsilon_5 \\ \epsilon_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E[y_1]=E[y_2]=\alpha_1$$

 $E[y_3]=E[y_4]=\alpha_2$
 $E[y_5]=E[y_6]=\alpha_3$

$$\beta = C\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_3 - \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1,] & -0.07 & 2.03 & -0.16 \\ [2,] & -4.73 & -5.75 & 2.67 \\ [3,] & -16.04 & 8.85 & -13.74 \end{bmatrix}$$

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> design
  alpha1 alpha2 alpha3
> cont.matrix <- makeContrasts(beta1="alpha2-alpha1",</pre>
                beta2="alpha3-alpha2",levels=design)
> cont.matrix
        Contrasts
Levels
        beta1 beta2
 alpha1
 alpha2
                 -1
 alpha3
                  1
fit <- lmFit(y,design)</pre>
fit.c <- contrasts.fit(fit, cont.matrix)</pre>
fit.c <- eBayes(fit.c)</pre>
> head(round(y,2),3)
           [,2] [,3] [,4]
                                       [,6]
[1,] -1.62 1.49 2.50 1.57 -0.71
                                       0.38
[2,] -4.50 -4.95 -3.66 -7.83 -1.59
                                       6.94
[3,] -10.17 -21.90 14.03 3.66 -12.21 -15.26
> head(round(fit$coef,2),3)
     alpha1 alpha2 alpha3
> head(round(fit.c$coef,2),3)
     Contrasts
       beta1 beta2
  [2,] -1.02
              8.42
  [3,] 24.89 -22.59
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