

Joint Mirror Procedure Controlling FDR for Simultaneous Signals

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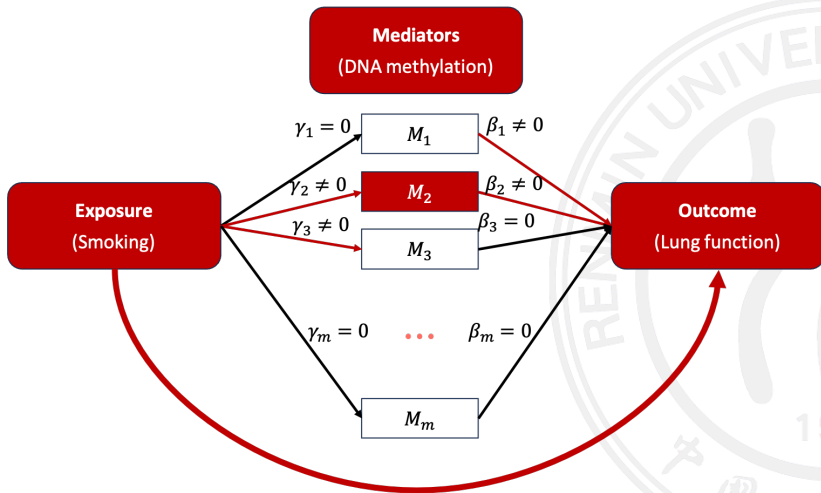
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Mediation Analysis



BackGround 1. Which **DNA methylation sites** are simultaneously influenced by **smoking** and contribute to **lung function** deficiency?

Replicability Study

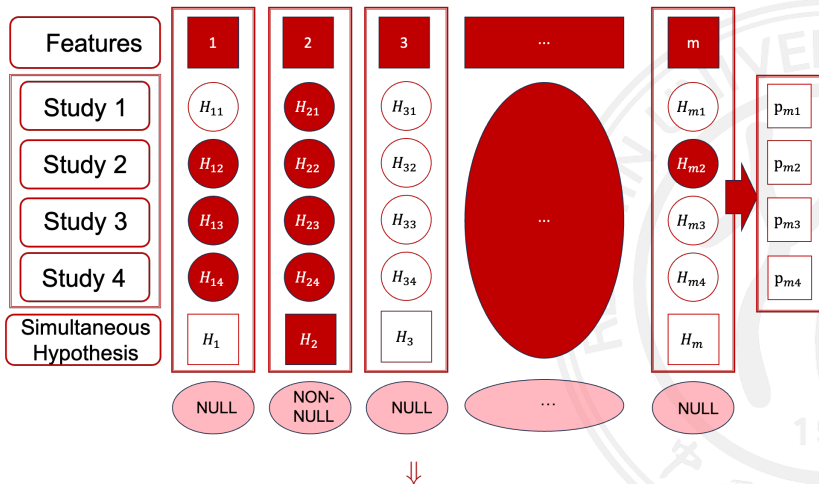
Crohn's disease SNP		1	2	3	...	m
adolescent	Study 1	p_{11}	p_{21}	p_{31}	...	p_{m1}
belge	Study 2	p_{12}	p_{22}	p_{32}		p_{m2}
cedar 1	Study 3	p_{13}	p_{23}	p_{33}		p_{m3}
cedar 2	Study 4
german	Study 5					
niddkj	Study 6					
niddknj	Study 7
wtccc	Study 8					
		p_{18}	p_{28}	p_{38}	...	p_{m8}

BackGround 2. Which **SNPs** are simultaneously associated with **Crohn's disease** in all eight studies?

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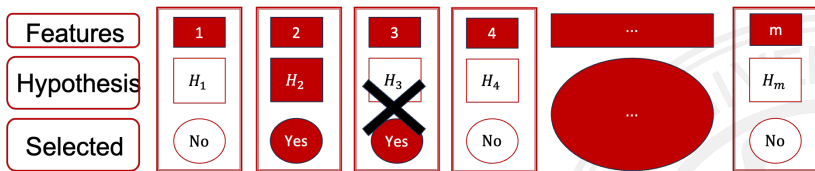


Setup: Simultaneous Hypothesis



- m hypotheses to be tested \Rightarrow multiple testing;
- Null hypotheses have special structures \Rightarrow Composite Null.

Multiple Hypothesis Testing



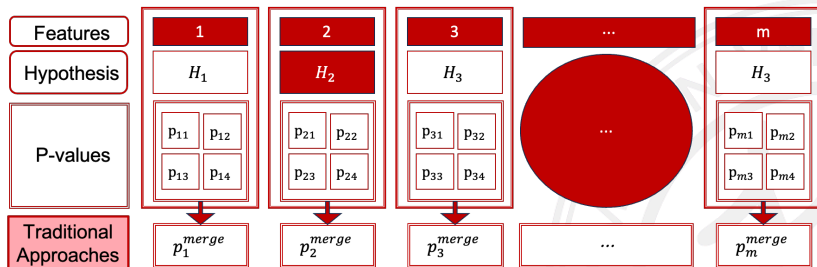
- ★ Why **multiple testing**? Type-I error rate control is not adequate
 - $\mathbb{P}(\text{Rejecting the null hypothesis} | \text{the null hypothesis is true})$
- Given selection set $\mathcal{S} \subset \{1, \dots, m\}$, the number of false discoveries:

$$\text{FD} = \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{H_i = 0, i \in \mathcal{S}\}$$

- Two error criterion:
 - Family-wise error rate (Tukey, 1953): $\text{FWER} = \mathbb{P}(\text{FD} \geq 1)$.
 - ✓ False discovery rate (Benjamini and Hochberg, 1995)

$$\text{FDR} = \mathbb{E} \{ \text{FDP} \} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ \frac{\text{FD}}{|\mathcal{S}| \vee 1} \right\}.$$

Recent Approaches



- ★ For each i , calculate a p -value by **merging** (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) :
- Ensure **validity**: Uniform conservatism $\mathbb{P}(p_i^{merge} \leq t \mid H_i = 0) \leq t$
 - e.g., $\mathbb{P}(\max(p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \leq t \mid H_i = 0) \leq \mathbb{P}(p_{ik} \leq t \mid H_{ik} = 0) \leq t$
- **Improve power**:
 - Est. the FDP by approx. the dist. of p^{merge} for null (Dai et al., 2020).
 - Reconstruct $p_i^{merge} \mid H_i = 0 \approx U[0, 1]$ (Liu et al., 2021; Dickhaus et al., 2021; Wang et al., 2022).
 - Apply standard multiple testing approaches (Benjamini and Hochberg, 1995).

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Target & Challenges

Merging may lose information

We have $(p_{i1}, p_{i2}, \dots, p_{iK})$ for feature i .

Old: Obtain p_i^{merge} by merging $(p_{i1}, p_{i2}, \dots, p_{iK})$;

☹ p_i^{merge} does not consider the **signal strengths** across different studies.

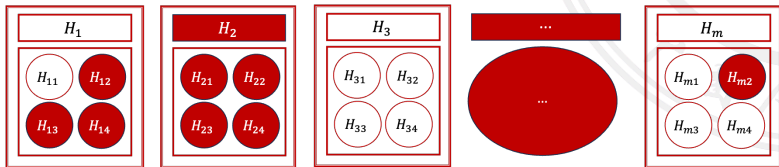
? Can we work on $(p_{i1}, p_{i2}, \dots, p_{iK})$ directly?

Error Criterion

The null components of H_1, \dots, H_m may be different.

Old: Simple FDR.

? Should we treat H_1, \dots, H_m equally?



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Warm Up: Approximate FD

- ★ Let us examine the number of false discoveries (FD) firstly:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FD} &= \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1}\{H_i = 0, i \in \mathcal{S}\} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{1}\{H_{ik} = 0, i \in \mathcal{S}\} = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1}\{H_{ik} = 0, i \in \mathcal{S}\} \end{aligned}$$

- ★ Let \mathcal{R} be the rejection region, then

$$\text{FD} = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1}\{H_{ik} = 0, (p_{i1}, p_{i2}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}\}$$

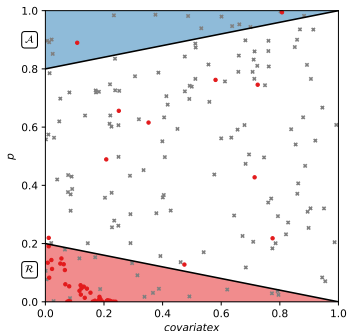
- ★ (a) Estimate the FD within each study + (b) Sum up the FDs.

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1-dim Mirror

- ★ Consider only one study first.
- What is 1-dim mirror procedure (Lei and Fithian, 2016) and how it works?
 - p-value p_i , covariate x_i and hypothesis H_i .
 - $p_i \mid x_i \sim U[0, 1]$, if $H_i = 0$.



- \mathcal{R} : Rejection region
- \mathcal{A} : Mirror/ Control region



Upper Bound

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FD} &= \#\{i : H_i = 0, p_i \in \mathcal{R}(x_i)\} \\ &\approx \#\{i : H_i = 0, p_i \in \mathcal{A}(x_i)\} \\ &\lesssim \#\{i : p_i \in \mathcal{A}(x_i)\} \end{aligned}$$

Univariate mirror conservatism (Lei and Fithian, 2016)

If $H_i = 0$, $\mathbb{P}(p_i \in [a_1, a_2] \mid x_i) \leq \mathbb{P}(p_i \in [1 - a_2, 1 - a_1] \mid x_i)$

- (a) Permutation p-values;
- (b) One-sided tests for univariate parameters with monotone likelihood ratio.

Conditional mirror Conservatism

If $H_{ik} = 0$, for p_{ik} , we have

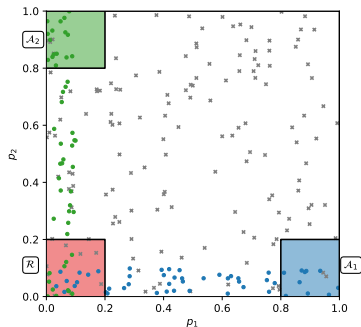
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}, k| -k}(p_{ik} \in [a_1, a_2] \mid \mathbf{p}_{i, -k} = \mathbf{t}) \\ \leq \mathbb{P}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}, k| -k}(p_{ik} \in [1 - a_2, 1 - a_1] \mid \mathbf{p}_{i, -k} = \mathbf{t}) \end{aligned}$$

- Univariate mirror conservatism + independent study.

1-dim Mirror \Rightarrow 2-dim Mirror

Consider two studies:

- Paired p-value (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) ;
- $p_{i1} \stackrel{H_{i1}=0}{\sim} U[0, 1] + p_{i2} \stackrel{H_{i2}=0}{\sim} U[0, 1]$



- \mathcal{R} : Rejection region
- \mathcal{A}_1 : Mirror region for 1st study
- \mathcal{A}_2 : Mirror region for 2nd study
- $\mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2$: Control region



Upper Bound

$$\begin{aligned} \text{1st: } \#\{i: H_{i1} = 0, (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{R}\} \\ \lesssim \#\{i: (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{A}_1\} \end{aligned}$$

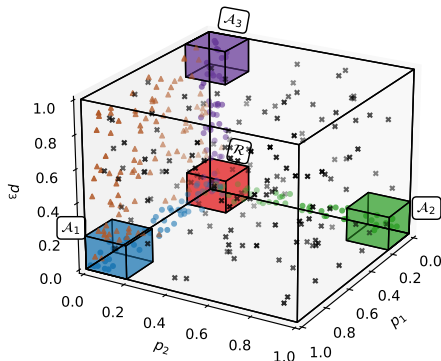
$$\begin{aligned} & \#\{i: H_i = 0, (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{R}\} \\ & \leq \#\{i: H_{i1} = 0, (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{R}\} + \#\{i: H_{i2} = 0, (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{R}\} \\ & \lesssim \#\{i: (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{A}_1\} + \#\{i: (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{A}_2\} = \#\{i: (p_{i1}, p_{i2}) \in \mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2\} \end{aligned}$$

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Define $\mathcal{A}_k = \{(t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}, 1 - t_k, t_{k+1}, \dots, t_K) : (t_1, \dots, t_K) \in \mathcal{R}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FDP}(\mathcal{R}) &= \frac{|\#\{i : H_i = 0, (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}\}|}{\#\{i : (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}\} \vee 1} \\ &\lesssim \frac{|\#\{i : (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \cup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_k\}|}{\#\{i : (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}\} \vee 1} := \widehat{\text{FDP}}(\mathcal{R}) \end{aligned}$$



- $K = 3$
- \mathcal{R} : Rejection region
- $\cup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_k$: Control region

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Joint Mirror Procedure

Shrink Rejection region

Joint Mirror Procedure under FDR level α

1. Initialize $\mathcal{R}_0, \mathcal{A}_0^k, k = 1, \dots, K$;
2. While $\widehat{\text{FDP}}(\mathcal{R}_t) > \alpha$ and $\mathcal{R}_t \neq \emptyset$:

① Update $\mathcal{R}_{t+1} (\mathcal{A}_{t+1}^k)$ satisfying

P.I Shrinkage principle

$$\mathcal{R}_{t+1} \subset \mathcal{R}_t$$

P.II Partial masking principle:

$$\mathcal{R}_{t+1} \in \sigma \{(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{t,i})_{i=1}^m, A_t, R_t, \mathcal{M}_t\} := \mathcal{F}_t$$

- $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{t,i} = \begin{cases} (\min(p_{i1}, 1 - p_{i1}), \dots, \min(p_{iK}, 1 - p_{iK})), & \text{if } i \in \mathcal{M}_t \\ (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- **Mask Set:** $\mathcal{M}_t = \{i : (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}_t \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_t^k\}$.
- Num of Rej: $R_t = \#\{i : (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}_t\}$.
- Num of Control: $A_t = \#\{i : (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \bigcup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_t^k\}$.

② Update $t = t + 1$.

3. Output: Select $\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_t$.

An Equivalent Form: Revealing Order

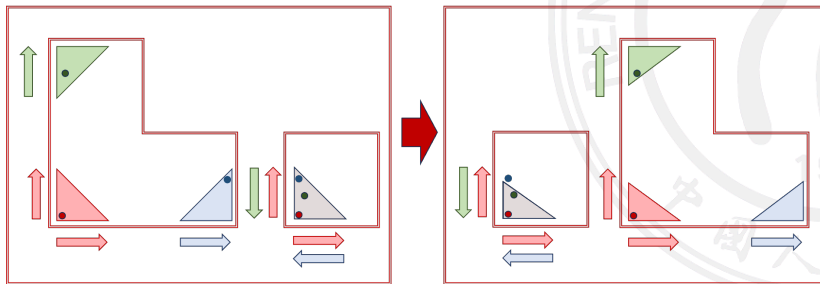
P.I Shrinkage \Leftrightarrow Remove one from mask set \mathcal{M}_t (in \mathcal{R}_t or in $\cup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_t^k$).

P.II Partial masking \Leftrightarrow Selection subject to partial information \mathcal{F}_t .



Given \mathcal{F}_t , select i that is **most possible** to be in $\cup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_t^k$

$$\widehat{\text{FDP}}(\mathcal{R})_{\downarrow} = \frac{|\#\{i: (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \cup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_k\}|_{\downarrow}}{\#\{i: (p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}\} \vee 1}$$



Kernel Regression for Choosing i

Any method: kernel regression $\mathbf{1}\{(p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \in \mathcal{R}_t\}$.

- Interpretable + Computational Efficient.


- **Target:** Let $\tilde{\mathbf{p}} = \text{Proj}(\mathbf{p}) = (\min(p_1, 1 - p_1), \dots, \min(p_K, 1 - p_K))$

Select $i^* = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{M}_t} q_i$ with $q_i = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{p} = \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \mid \tilde{\mathbf{p}} = \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i)$

- A **kernel-based** estimator for q_i at step t defined as

$$\hat{q}_{t,i} = \frac{\sum_{i' \in \mathcal{U}_t \cap \mathcal{M}_{-1}} \mathbf{1}\{\mathbf{p}_{i'} \in \mathcal{R}_{-1}\} v_H(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{i'})}{\sum_{i' \in \mathcal{U}_t \cap \mathcal{M}_{-1}} v_H(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{i'})}, i = 1, \dots, m$$

- $\mathcal{U}_t = [m] \setminus \mathcal{M}_t$, $\mathcal{M}_{-1} = \{i : \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{1}(p_{ki} \leq 1/2) \leq 1\}$.
- $v_H(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \mathcal{K}_H(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') / \mathcal{K}_H(\mathbf{0})$
 - $\mathcal{K}_H(\mathbf{t}) = \det(H)^{-1/2} \mathcal{K}(H^{-1/2} \mathbf{t})$
 - $H \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$ is a positive definite bandwidth matrix
 - $\mathcal{K} : \mathbb{R}^K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a positive, bounded and symmetric kernel function.

 **Complexity:** Update the denominator & enumerator separately.

Partial Order and 3 Realizations

☀ Intuition: When $K = 1$, $\mathcal{R} = [0, t]$.

★ **Partial order** + Kernel regression.

P JM.Max: $(t_1, \dots, t_K) \prec (s_1, \dots, s_K)$ iff $\max t_k < \max s_k$.

K+P JM.Product: $(t_1, \dots, t_K) \prec (s_1, \dots, s_K)$ iff $t_1 < s_1, \dots, t_K < s_K$.

K JM.EmptyPoset: non-comparable.

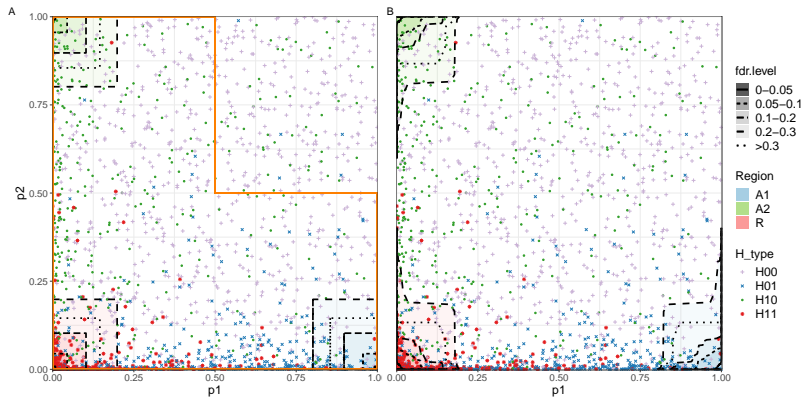


图: Left: JM.Max

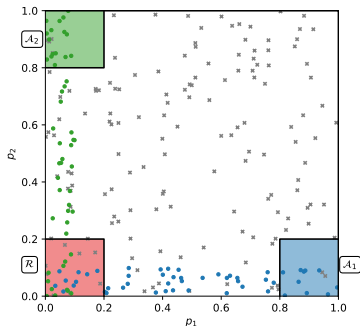
Right: JM.Product

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Composite FDR: A quick look: $K = 2$

★ How conservative our estimator is?



★ If $(H_{i1}, H_{i2}) = (0, 0)$

⇒ The estimated FD approx.
counted **twice**.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{H_{i1} = 0, H_{i2} = 1, \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2\} \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{H_{i1} = 1, H_{i2} = 0, \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2\} \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{H_{i1} = 0, H_{i2} = 0, \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2\} \\ & \approx \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{H_{i1} = 0, H_{i2} = 1, \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}\} \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{H_{i1} = 1, H_{i2} = 0, \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}\} \\ & + 2 \times \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{H_{i1} = 0, H_{i2} = 0, \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}\} \end{aligned}$$

Composite FDR: Formal Definition

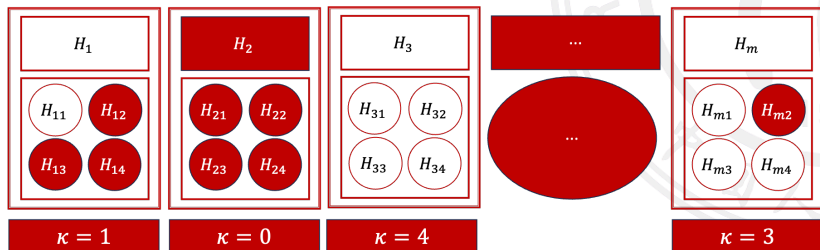
Define $\mathcal{H}^{(\kappa)} = \left\{ i \in [m] : \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{1}\{H_{ik} = 0\} = \kappa \right\}$ for $\kappa = 0, 1, \dots, K$.

定义 1 (Composite FDR)

The composite FDR is defined as

$$\text{cFDR}(\hat{\mathcal{S}}) = \mathbb{E}\{\text{cFDP}(\hat{\mathcal{S}})\} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{\kappa=1}^K \kappa |\hat{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{H}^{(\kappa)}|}{|\hat{\mathcal{S}}| \vee 1} \right\}$$

where the numerator is the number of weighted false discoveries.



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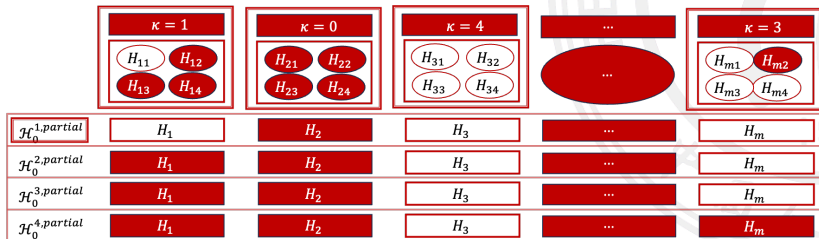
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Partial Conjunction Hypothesis (Friston et al., 2005, PCH)

Null hypotheses defined as $\mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}} = \bigcup_{k=\kappa}^K \mathcal{H}^{(k)}$,

- where $\mathcal{H}^{(\kappa)} = \left\{ i \in [m] : \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{1}\{H_{ik} = 0\} = \kappa \right\}$ for $\kappa = 0, 1, \dots, K$.
- **Special cases:** $\mathcal{H}_0 = \mathcal{H}_0^{1, \text{partial}}$ and $\mathcal{H}_1 = \mathcal{H}_1^{1, \text{partial}} = \mathcal{H}^{(0)}$.
- **Intuition:** $i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}} \Rightarrow \#\{\text{null components of } \{H_{ik}\}_{k=1}^K\} \geq \kappa$.



定理 2 (Finite Sample FDR Control for PCH)

Suppose that (a) Independence. Suppose

$$\mathbf{p}_i \perp \mathbf{p}_j \text{ for } i, j \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}} + \{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \perp \{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{H}_1^{\kappa, \text{partial}}}$$

(b) \mathbf{p}_i is conditionally mirror conservative for all $i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}$.

\Rightarrow Under $\mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}$, $\text{FDR} \leq q/\kappa \Rightarrow$ Under \mathcal{H}_0 , $\text{FDR} \leq q$.

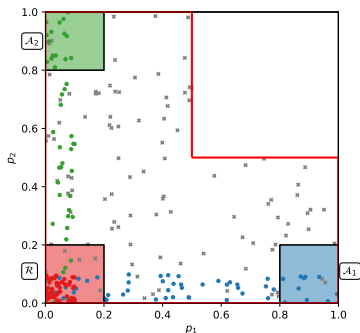
Martingale Technique. (Barber and Candès, 2015) Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \{ \text{FDP}(\mathcal{R}_\tau) \} &= \mathbb{E} \left\{ \widehat{\text{FDP}}(\mathcal{R}_\tau) \frac{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_\tau)}{\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^k) + 1} \right\} \\ &\stackrel{1}{\leq} q \mathbb{E} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_\tau)}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^k) + 1} \right\} \\ &\leq q \mathbb{E} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_0)}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_0^k) + 1} \right\} \leq q/\kappa \end{aligned}$$

$1_\tau := \inf\{t : \widehat{\text{FDP}}(\mathcal{R}_t) \leq q\}$ is a stopping time for a backwards supermartingale.

$$\mathbb{E} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_0)}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\kappa, \text{partial}}} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_0^k) + 1} \right\} \leq 1/\kappa$$

- $\mathbf{1}(\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_0) \mid \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(1/(\kappa + 1))$.



Test $\mathcal{H}_0^{1, \text{partial}} / \mathcal{H}_0$

- $\mathcal{H}_0^{1, \text{partial}}$: gray + blue + green
- $\mathcal{H}_1^{1, \text{partial}}$: red

Test $\mathcal{H}_0^{2, \text{partial}}$

- $\mathcal{H}_0^{2, \text{partial}}$: gray
- $\mathcal{H}_1^{2, \text{partial}}$: blue + green + red

Composite FDR Control

What about cFDR? We require a stringent principle for selecting \mathcal{R} .

定理 3 (Finite Sample cFDR Control)

Under the same condition in Theorem 2,

- If additionally $\mathcal{R}_t \in \sigma \{(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i)_{i=1}^m\}$ with $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i = \text{Proj}(\mathbf{p}_i)$, e.g., JM.Max, $\Rightarrow \text{cFDR} \leq q$.

Leave-one-out Technique. (Benjamini and Hochberg, 1995; Barber et al., 2020) Notice that

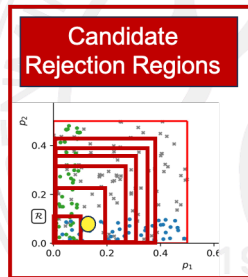
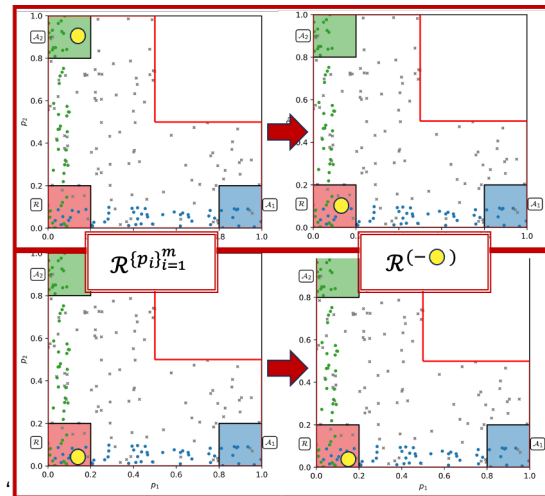
$$\begin{aligned} \text{cFDP} &= \frac{\sum_{\kappa=1}^K \kappa \left| \hat{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{H}^{(\kappa)} \right|}{|\hat{\mathcal{S}}| \vee 1} = \frac{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \kappa_i \mathbf{1} \{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \}}{\sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{1} \{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \} \vee 1}, \\ &\leq q \frac{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \kappa_i \mathbf{1} \{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \}}{1 + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \mathbf{1} \{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \}} := q\mathcal{E} \left(\mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{A}_{-1} = \cup_{k=1}^K \mathcal{A}_{-1}^k$ is the control side.
- $\mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m}$ is the final rejection region with the p-values set $\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m$.
- Prove $\mathbb{E} \{ \mathcal{E} \left(\mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \right) \} \leq 1 \Rightarrow \text{cFDR} \leq q$.

Proof of cFDR Control

Key 1 The leave-one-out p-values $\{\mathbf{p}_{(-i)}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i\} = \{\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_{i-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i, \dots, \mathbf{p}_m\}$.

Key 2 $\mathcal{R}\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m$ and $\mathcal{R}^{(-i)} = \mathcal{R}^{\mathbf{p}_{(-i)}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i}$ should be one of the candidate rejection regions.



- $\mathbb{E} \left\{ \mathcal{E} \left(\mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \right) \right\}$ can be bounded as follows:

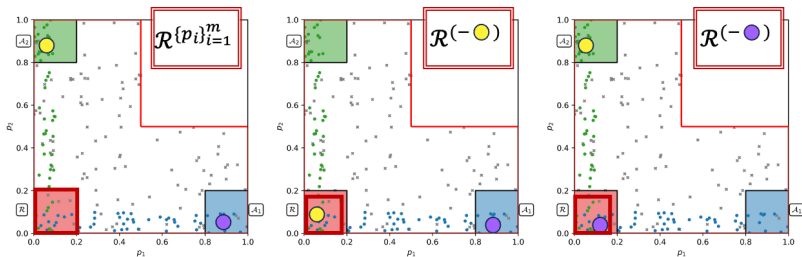
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \xrightarrow[\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_i \notin \mathcal{A}_{-1}]{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\kappa_i \mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^m} \right\}}{1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{H}_0, j \neq i} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j \in \mathcal{R}^{\{\mathbf{p}_j\}_{i=1}^m} \right\}} \right) \\
 & \xrightarrow[\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i]{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\kappa_i \mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1} \right\} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}}{1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{H}_0, j \neq i} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}} \right) \\
 & \xrightarrow[law]{tower} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\kappa_i \mathbb{P} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{R}_{-1} \mid \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i, \mathbf{p}_{(-i)} \right\} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}}{1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{H}_0, j \neq i} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}} \right) \\
 & \stackrel{mirror}{\leq} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\mathbb{P} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_{-1} \mid \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i, \mathbf{p}_{(-i)} \right\} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}}{1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{H}_0, j \neq i} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}} \right) \\
 & \xrightarrow[law]{tower} \mathbb{E} \left(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \frac{\mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}}{1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{H}_0, j \neq i} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of cFDR Control

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \frac{1 \left\{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}}{1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{H}_0, j \neq i} 1 \left\{ \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}}$$

$$\stackrel{(\star)}{=} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}_0} \frac{1 \left\{ \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_i \in \mathcal{R}^{(-i)} \right\}}{1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{H}_0, j \neq i} 1 \left\{ \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{A}_{-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_j \in \mathcal{R}^{(-j)} \right\}} \leq 1,$$

- (\star) holds because: under the condition \square , $\square \iff \square$.



- Easy to notice $KFDR \geq cFDR \geq FDR$.
- Will the JM procedure be too conservative?

An example with a general K .

Suppose $H_i = 0$ iff $H_{ki} = 0$ for all k . Let $m_0 = \#\{i: H_i = 0\}$

- $\mathbb{E}(\text{FD}) = \sum_{i: H_i=0} \mathbb{P}\{\max(p_{i1}, \dots, p_{iK}) \leq t\} = m_0 t^K$
- JM procedure: $\widehat{\text{FD}}_{\text{JM}} \approx Km_0 t^K$
- Traditionally: $\mathbb{E}(\text{FD}) \lesssim \sum_{i: H_i=0} \mathbb{P}\{p_{ik} \leq t \text{ for some } k\} = m_0 t$
- Recently: either (a) need to est m_0 precisely (b) no comprehensive analysis.

👉 JM capture the correct power of t !

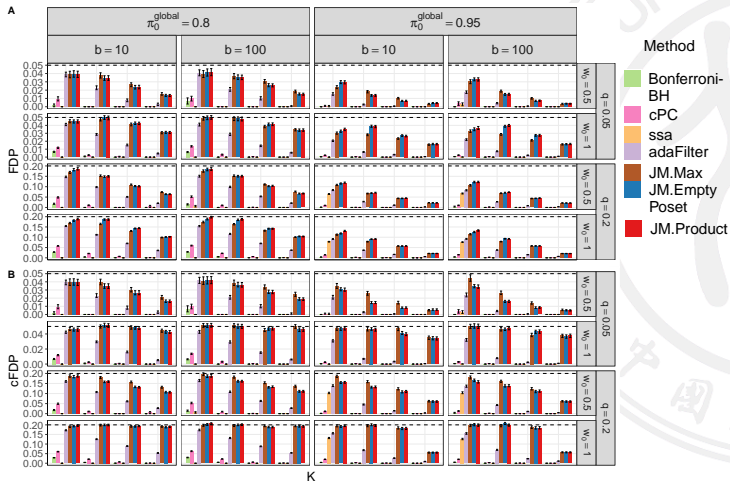
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Simulation: Replicability Study

97% null: FDR& cFDR

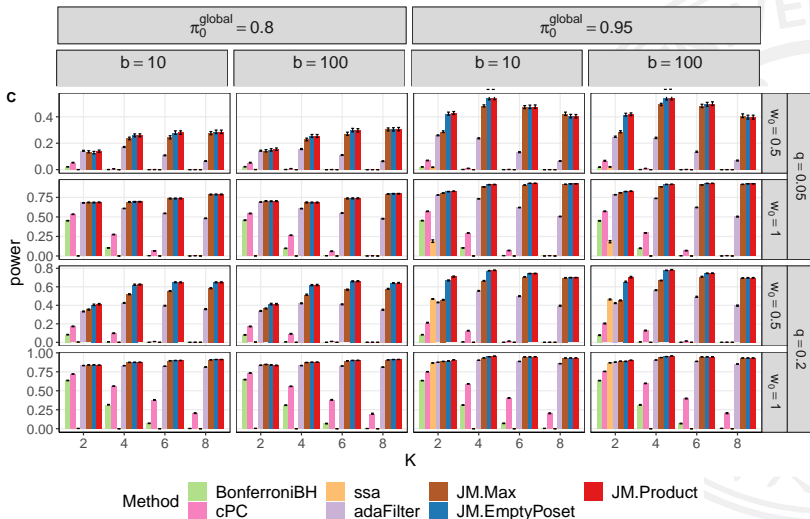
- K : num of study; π_0^{global} : prop. of K studies are null; b : strength of correlation; w_0 : signal strength disequilibrium; q : FDR level.
- All methods can control FDR & cFDR;



Simulation: Replicability Study

97% null: Power

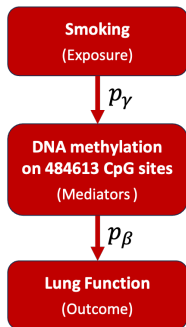
- Three JM methods deliver the highest power, esp, $K \geq 4$ or $w_0 = 0.5$.



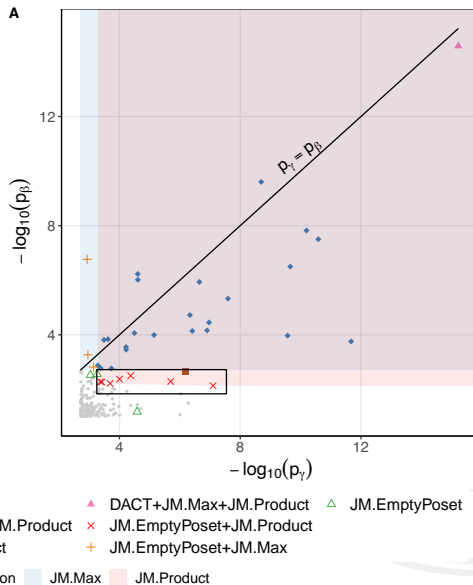
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Cigarette Smoking, DNA methylation, and Lung Diseases

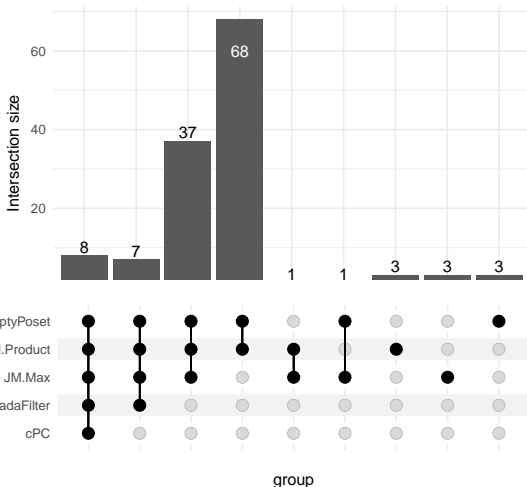
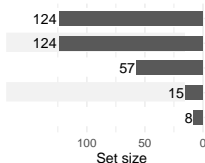


- FDR level: 0.2
 - Used by DACT (Liu et al., 2021)
 - DACT (21), JM.Max (27), JM.Product (32), JM.EmptyPoset (37)
 - Null
- Method
- DACT+JM.Max+JM.EmptyPoset+JM.Product
 - DACT+JM.EmptyPoset+JM.Product



GWAS for Crohn's Disease

- 8 studies + 953,241 SNPs + FDR level: 0.05.
- Collected by Franke et al. (2010), analyzed by cPC (Dickhaus et al., 2021) in PCH framework.
- Find SNPs that are statistically significant in all 8 studies.



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Targets

- ? Can we work on $(p_{i1}, p_{i2}, \dots, p_{iK})$ directly?
- 👍 Construct K -dimensional rejection region.
- ? Should we treat H_1, \dots, H_m equally?
- 👍 Counting the number of null components – Composite FDR.

Contributions

- A new FDP estimator for simultaneous signals.
- A new error criterion – Composite FDR.
- Partial-order oriented data-driven rejection region. (Indeed reflect the data pattern.)
- FDR (marginal technique) and cFDR (leave-one-out technique) control in finite samples.

😊 Easy interpretation + Significant power improvement.

- ★ The following points highlight our future directions:
 - Asymmetric mirror region;
 - Incorporate side information;
 - Apply on test statistics directly – Directional FDR;
 - Using Z-values can be more efficient (Leung and Sun, 2021; Leung, 2022).
 - Data splitting strategy (Dai et al., 2022; Guo et al., 2021)
 - Knockoff strategy (Dai and Zheng, 2023)
 - Consider the dependency of Stat. in mediation analysis.
 - Proper rejection region and less conservative procedure to control PCH.

Thank You!

Q & A



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