



Software Requirements Specification for OMG Version 0.1

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1.1 Introduction

This document describes the Little Hill Lab's initial requirements for an online application (Oh My Genes) which allows our scientists to upload gene expression files and quickly get differentially expressed genes.

1 Intended audience

This SRS for Oh My Genes is for developers, project managers, salesmen, users and testers. The article mainly introduces the overall description, external interface requirements, system features and other non-functional requirements. I suppose the developers and project managers to read the whole article carefully and salesmen pay attention to overall description especially. Users and testers read the system features carefully.

Project Scope

Oh, My Genes is used to identify differentially expressed genes given a gene expression file containing two cell samples. This document

basically shows the visual idea of the OMG web app and its functionality requirements

1.2 Purpose: why do we develop this software?

This web application targets Biologists in our lab (potentially worldwide) with the purpose to identify differentially expressed genes given a gene expression file containing two cell samples.

Functionally the web application has a simple interface with a single button [Upload and GO]. Our scientists upload a plain text file containing gene expression levels from two samples, representing two experimental conditions. Accepting the file, the software will return a table of differentially expressed genes and a scatter plot of these genes whose X-axis is control and Y-axis is treatment. If an invalid gene expression is given, the web application returns a page informing the user to provide the correct format.

So, the purpose mainly scopes from

- i. Control sample - a cell sample prepared in its normal condition.
- ii. Treatment sample - a cell sample treated by special chemicals, or in which some genes are altered.
- iii. Differentially expressed genes - the genes which have significantly different expression levels between two samples.
- iv. Up-regulation - a gene is said to be up-regulated if it has higher expression in treatment than in control.
- v. logFC - log fold change of gene expression. $\log_2 [T/C]$, where T is the gene expression level from a treatment sample, while C is the gene expression level from a control sample.

2. Overview

2.1 Model-View-Controller

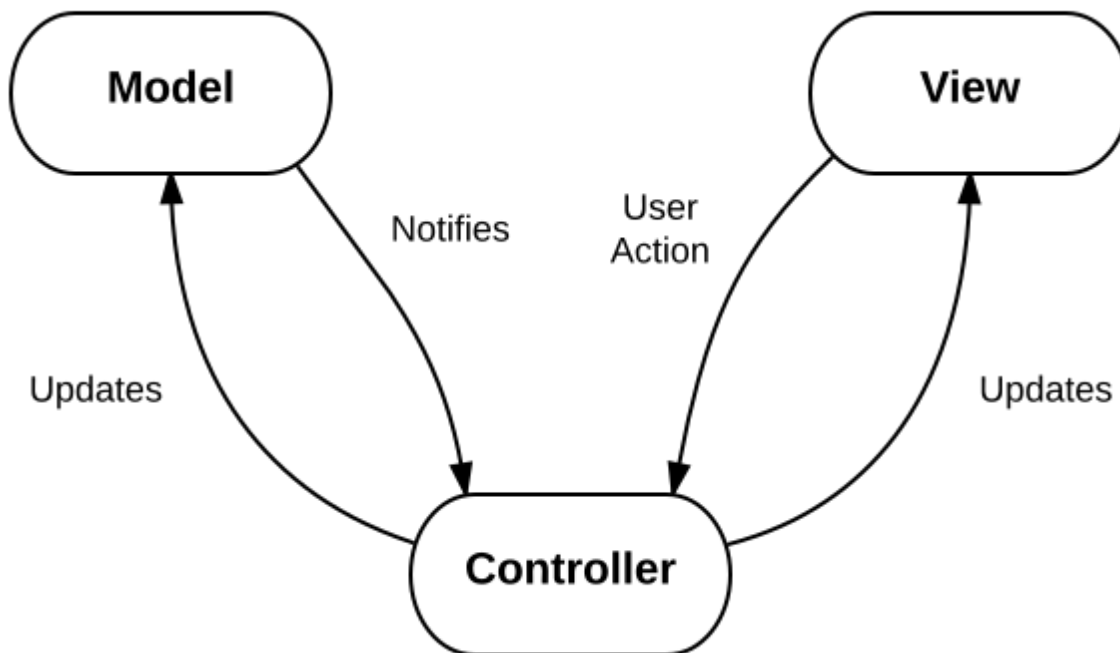
Model–View–Controller (MVC) is an architectural pattern for implementing user interfaces. It divides an application into three interconnected parts: The Model, the View, and the Controller. Separating the "internal representations of information from the ways that information is presented to and accepted from the user" allows us to increase modularity for simultaneous development and code reuse

Each of the components is defined as follows:

component	description
model	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- handles application data and data management- central component of MVC
view	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- can be any output representation of information to user- renders data from model to user interface
Controller	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- accepts input and converts to commands for model/view

2.2 Interactions Between Components

The MVC design pattern also defines interactions between components, as we can see in the following diagram fig 2.1



- The **model** stores data files for the DNA samples that is retrieved according to commands from the **controller**
- The **view** generates output that is the scatter diagram and table of the DNA samples for the user based on changes in the **model**
- The **controller** acts on both **model** and **view**; it sends/uploads commands/files to the **model** to update its state and to the **view** to change information presented to users

2.3 High-level description of the software and functional requirements

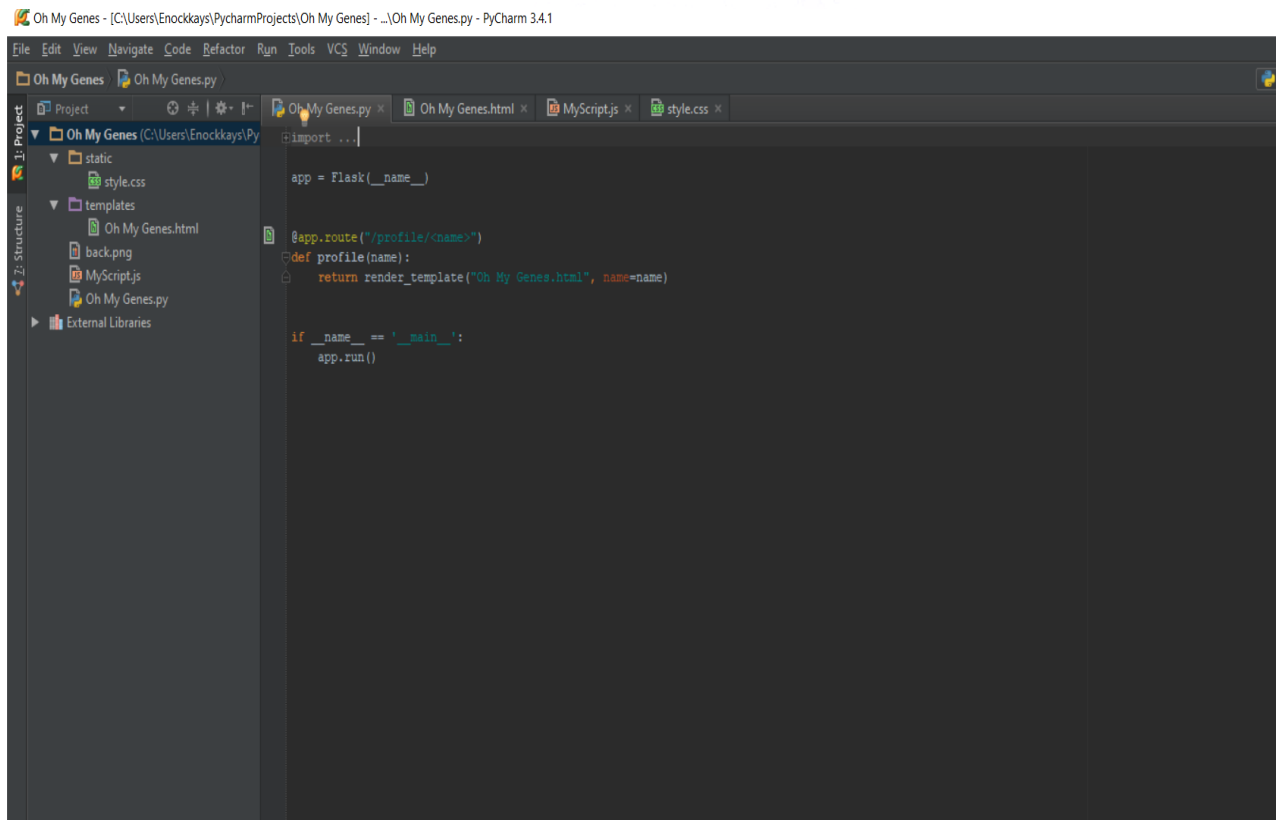
For a basic description now, OMG web app perspective is to design an application preferably using Flask framework(<http://flask.pocoo.org/>).

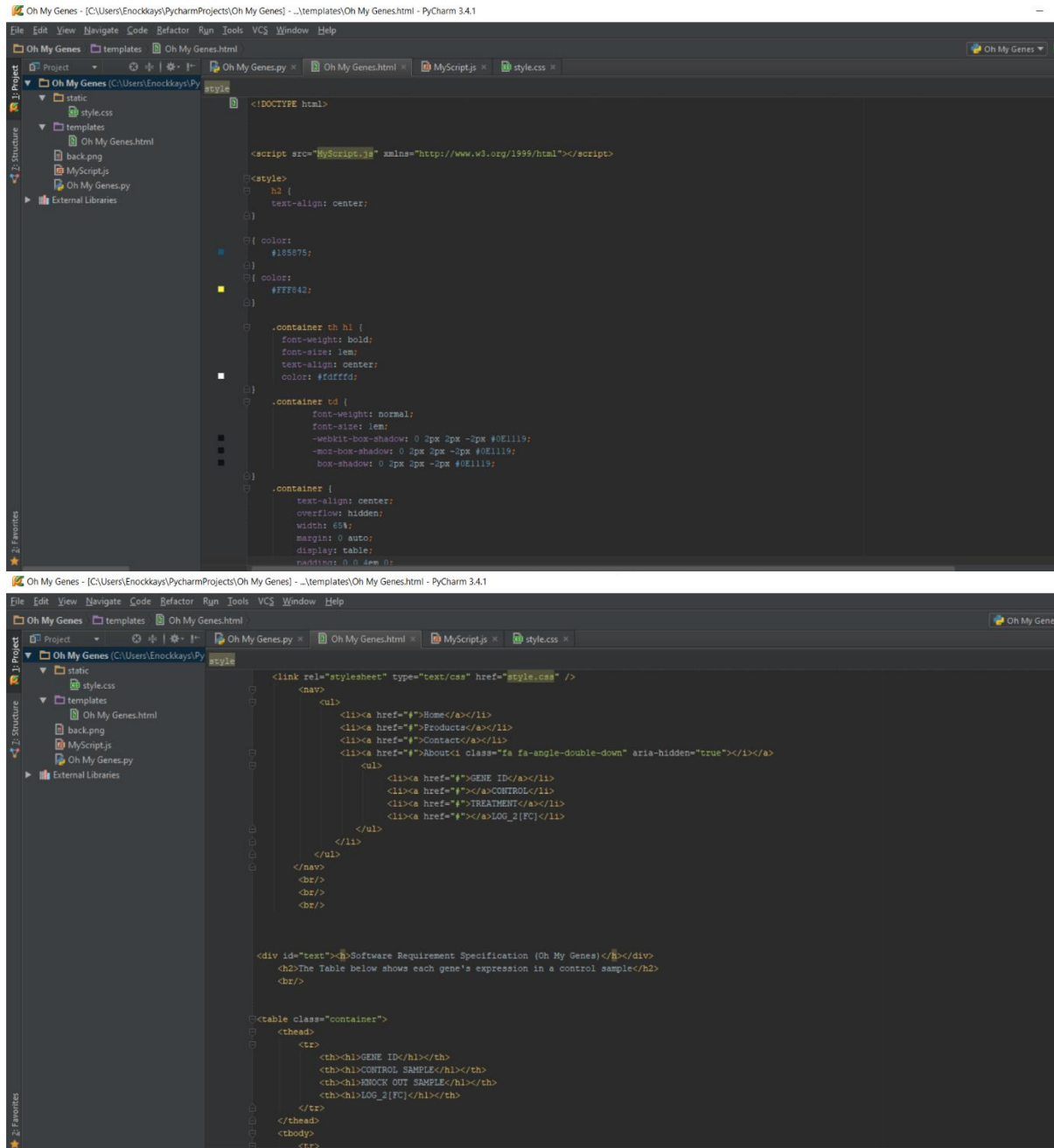
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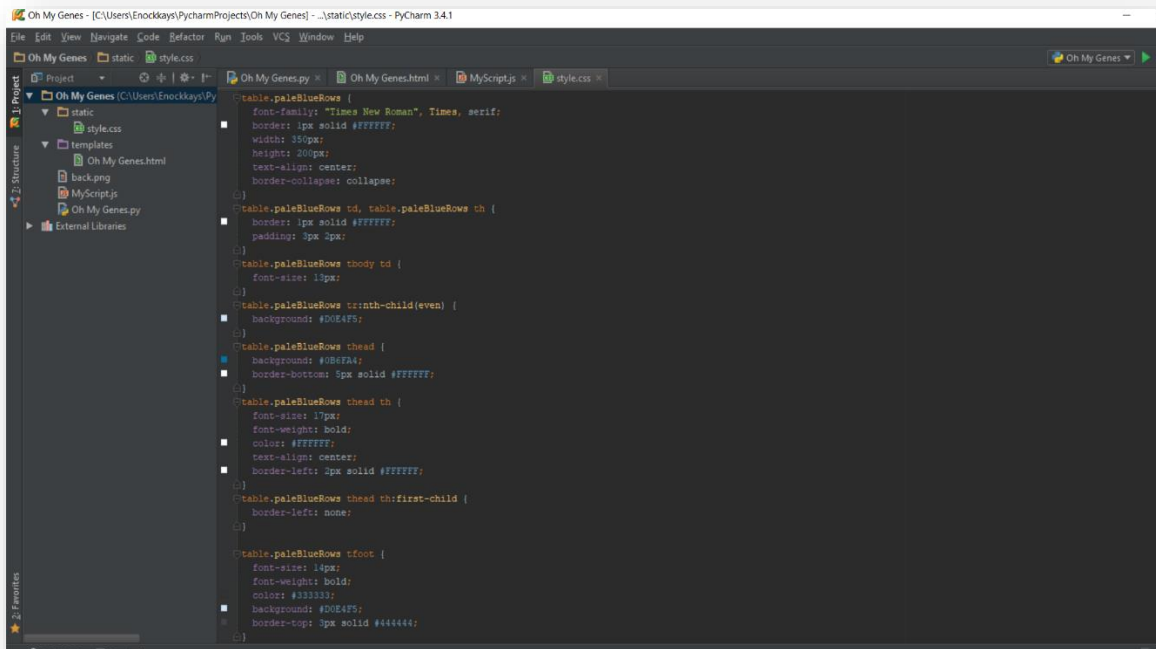
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If an invalid gene expression is given, the web application returns a page informing the user to provide the correct format.

The Pictures below shows the Code in Python using flask for the web Application “Oh My Genes”.







- A sample of our basic interface
Fig 1.1

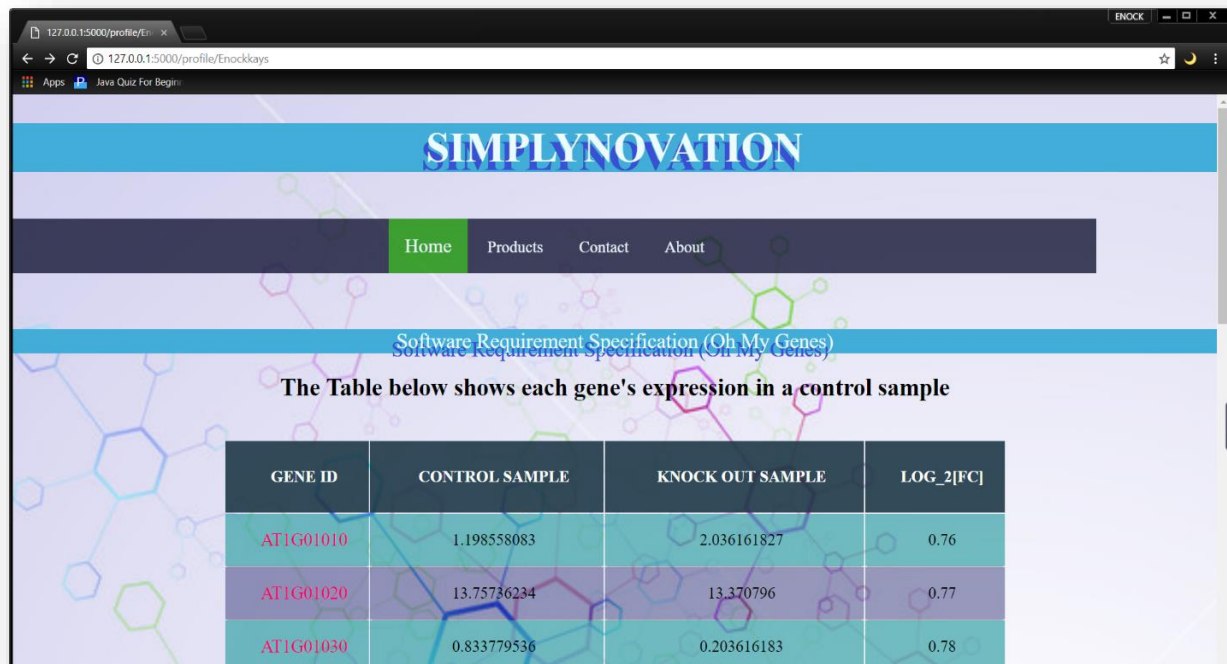


Fig 1.2

Clicking here will let you go easier and directly to what you will be looking for that is either the GENE_ID, CONTROL, TREATMENT and LOG_2[FC]

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The Table below shows each gene's expression in a control sample

GENE ID	CONTROL SAMPLE	LOG_2[FC] KNOCK OUT SAMPLE	LOG_2[FC]
AT1G01010	1.198558083	2.036161827	0.76
AT1G01020	13.75736234	13.370796	0.77
AT1G01030	0.833779536	0.203616183	0.78

Fig 1.3

This upload button works for when you want to upload a file from your pc or device you click on choose file then upload

This plain text space is where you can type your data if not uploading from pc or any device then you press upload and it uploads the file

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GENE ID	CONTROL SAMPLE	LOG_2[FC] KNOCK OUT SAMPLE	LOG_2[FC]
AT1G01090	58.26034505	42.96301455	0.85
AT1G01100	1066.508249	1308.030358	0.86
AT1G01110	2.709783491	1.425313279	0.87

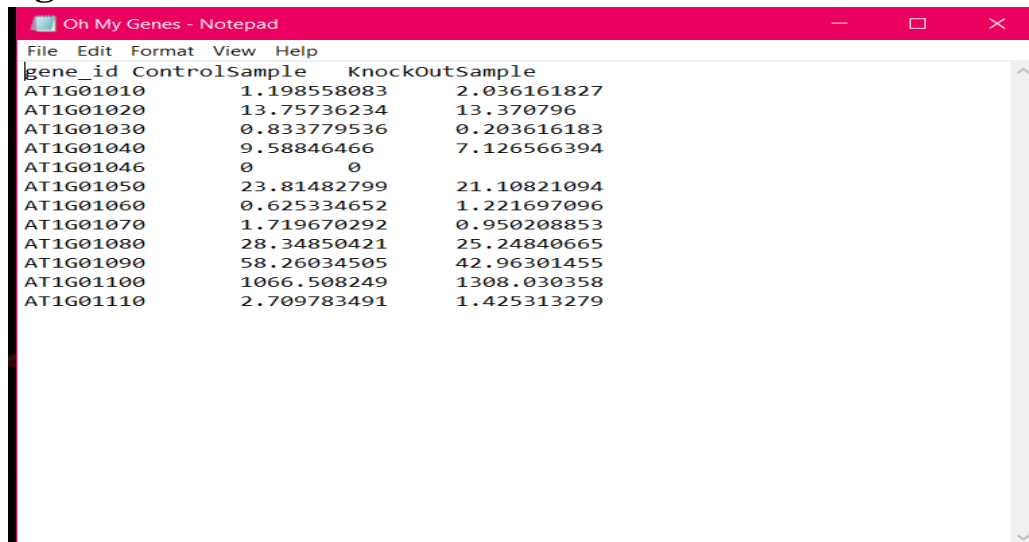
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3. Input

A valid submitted gene expression file has the following format. It is a TAB-delimited, plain text file with three columns (see the attached file for a full example). The file contains an optional head line, followed by each gene's expression in a control sample (e.g., ControlSample) and in a treatment sample (e.g., KnockOutSample).

gene_id	Control Sample	Knockout Sample
AT1G01010	1.198558083	2.036161827
AT1G01020	13.75736234	13.370796
AT1G01030	0.833779536	0.203616183
AT1G01040	9.58846466	7.126566394
AT1G01046	0 0	
AT1G01050	23.81482799	21.10821094
AT1G01080	28.34850421	25.24840665
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A sample of the TAB-delimited file

fig 3.1


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4. Output

The web application displays a table and a scatter plot given a gene expression file.

The table contains a list of differentially expressed genes with the following format:

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gene_id control_sample treat_sample log2[FC]
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Shown by screenshot

Fig 4.1

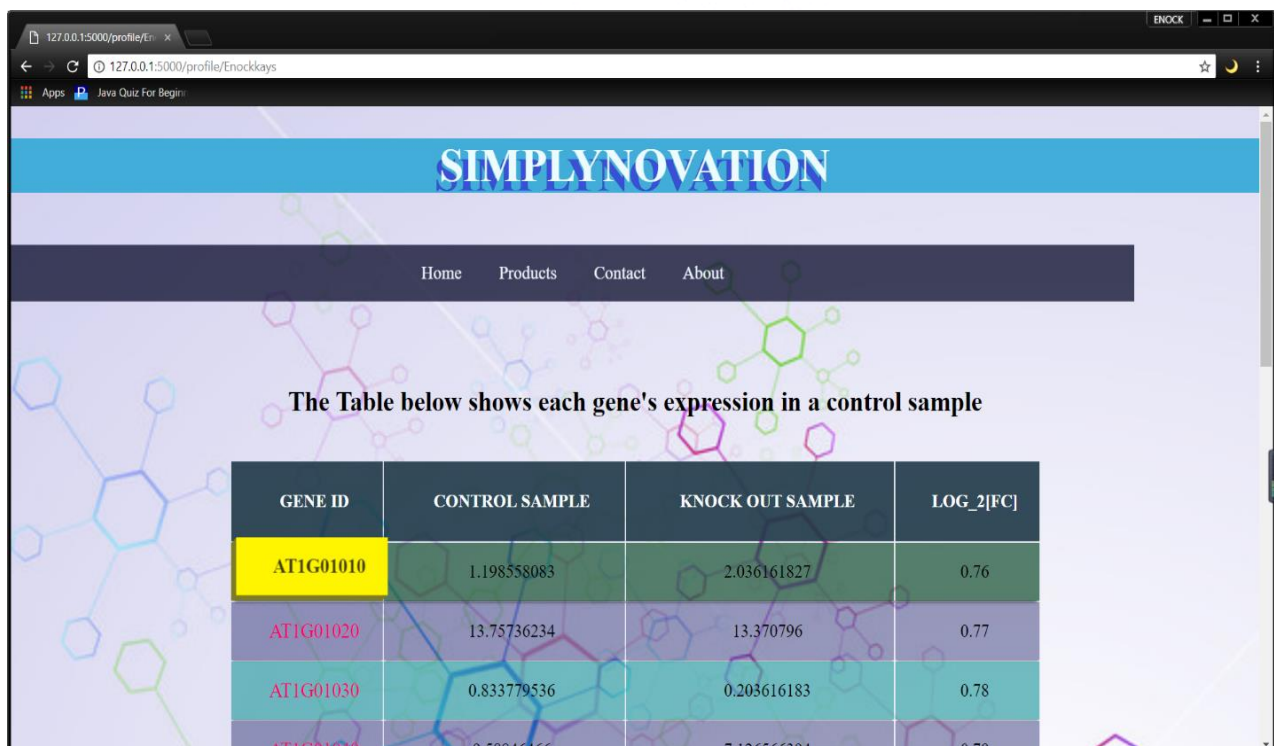
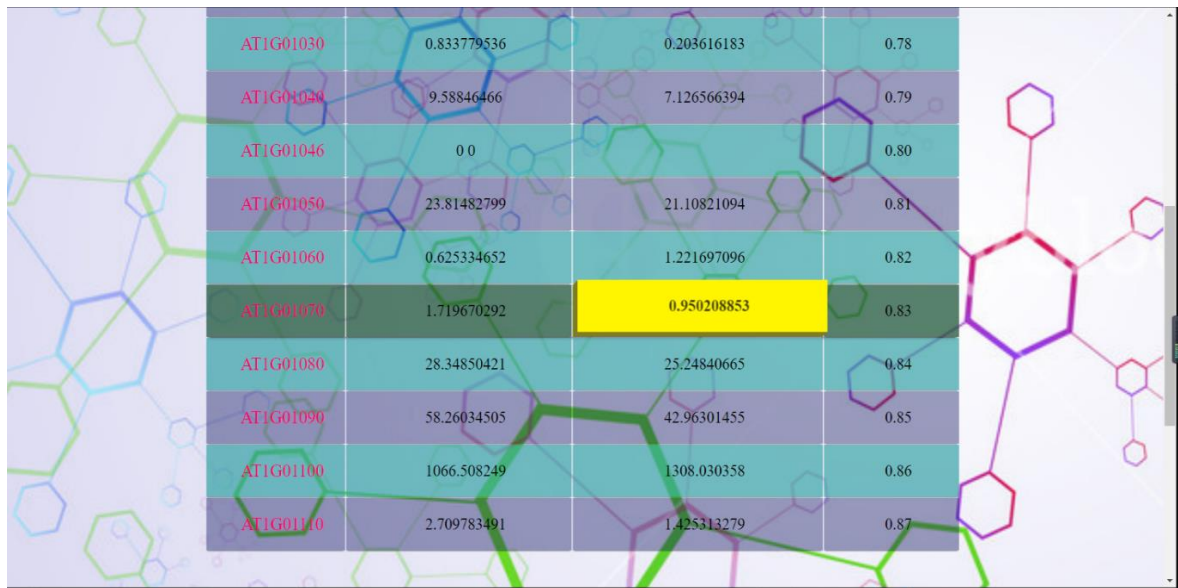
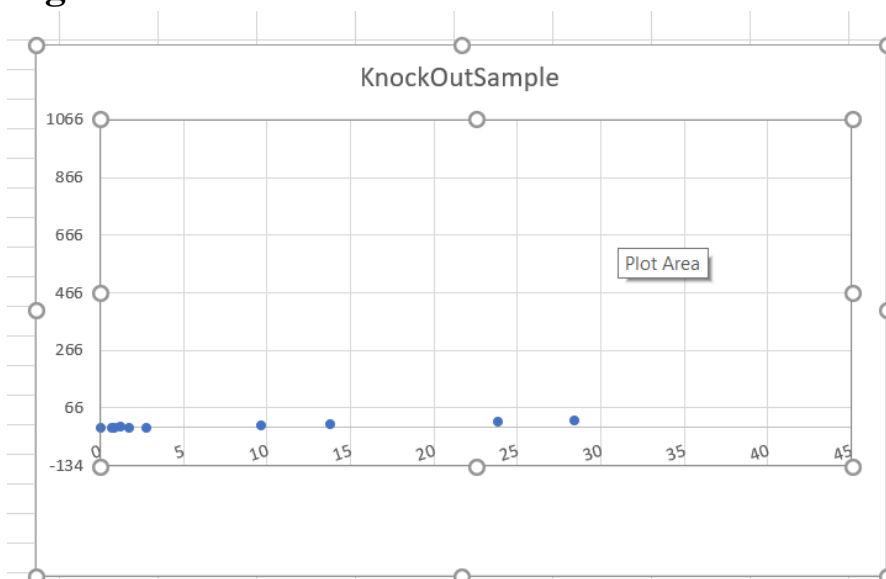


Fig 4.2

The scatter plot displays differentially expressed genes. The X-axis is Control, and Y-axis is Treatment.

Replace 'Control' and 'Treatment' with appropriated column names if provided in the uploaded file. The up-regulated genes are shown in red dots, and down-regulated genes are shown in blue.

Fig 4.5

5. Application functionality overview

Action: There are two buttons on the web application (upload and go). Users upload a plain text file containing gene expression levels from two samples, representing two experimental conditions. Result: Accepting the file, the software will return a table of differentially expressed genes and a scatter plot of these genes whose X-axis is control and Y-axis is treatment. If an invalid gene expression is given, the web application returns a page informing the user to provide the correct format.

The software needs to draw the uploaded data to graph. The points on the graph will show the users some information, such as gene id and name. This web application can update the data intelligently and save the new genes into the data base.

Every time the users upload a new file, the application should save and update the gene list. Regular log records and updates are designed to better improve the software system, which is lower in comparison, so the priority is low in the software system. The last main user group to manage and maintain the data directly in the background is the database administrator. Although the group is not very large, its importance cannot be ignored. After all, the highlight of the software system is the database, so its priority is the highest. I believe this is also the center of the application database system software.

6. Web application maintenance

As the web application will be constantly growing and evolving it is not simple as there it has to be maintained keeping the application secure, stable and up-to-date takes time so OMG app will undergo

1. BUG fixes
2. Third party API updates
3. Security patches and updates

4. Implementing few functionality
5. Hardware upgrades/ app scaling
6. Monitoring

All this regular web application maintenance retains customers and balances costs

7. Functional requirements

7.1 Hardware requirements for interface

- 64-bit PC with TCP protocol - **TCP/IP** stands for Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol, which is a set of networking protocols that allows two or more computers to communicate. The Defense Data Network, part of the Department of Defense, developed **TCP/IP**, and it has been widely adopted as a networking standard.

7.2 Software requirements for the software

1. Windows operation system
2. Web browser
3. SQL server

7.3 Communication protocols and interfaces

1. TCP protocol
2. Secure transmission and techniques
3. Microsoft- edge browser
4. File transfer rate

8. Intended User

The OMG web app is targeted for Biologists in our lab (potentially worldwide).

8.1 Software Attributes intended for user

This includes user documentation that is the

1. User manual
2. Tutorial books or e-platform

9. Functional requirements use

1. Flask

Flask is the best Python web framework for our use case. As the name implies, the Flask microframework is a lightweight web framework that we can extend to get the functionality we require. From the documentation:

Flask aims to keep the core simple but extensible. Flask won't make many decisions for you, such as what database to use. Those decisions that it does make, such as what templating engine to use, are easy to change. Everything else is up to you, so that Flask can be everything you need and nothing you don't.

Taking a build-your-own framework approach to web development allows us to get projects off the ground quickly; we only use the extensions we require for our specific use case. With just a few lines of code, we can create a website with:

1. URL routing
2. template rendering
3. two-way client communication
4. redirects and error handling
5. logging

The Flask documentation has great advice on how to grow and become big with Flask. We can also leverage the list of common design patterns to ensure we are following best practices as outline by the project contributors.

9.2 Function 2

1. Performance requirements

It can support large amount of calculations and the response time should in 3 seconds whether the file is large or not. Users can add or delete the data and the web application can save them timely. And the application can't occupy large space. And the picture of the result should be clear either the points or the lines and what the coordinates present for and the correct units.

2. Safety requirements

The data both from users input or from database should be safe. And the whole file transfer to others should be secured as we can encrypt it. And it is important to create backups in case of data loss this also helps when the application has errors, backups can decrease the loss. And the application should proceed the user authentication.

3. Security requirements

- For security the web can be set to measures of being accessed by authorized users though use of passwords and verifications.

4. Software attributes

- This part will contain two requests of the user documentation: 1. User's manual: electronic document. 2. Tutorial: electronic document.

10. Constraints

- i. How to set a threshold for logFC
- ii. Accessible only though through Firefox, Chrome, and Safari
- iii. Web space less than 1GB

- iv. Budget less than 10,000 USD
- v. System downtime less than 30 minutes per year
- vi. **OMG Web App Accessible through:**
- vii. Firefox, Chrome, and Safari

11. Other Non-functional Requirements

This part will show you other non-functional requirements. It contains response time, aesthetic aspects and confidentiality policy

1. Confidentiality policy

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2. Response time

- <5 seconds
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3. Aesthetic aspect

- The OMG web app should look and feel critical to its overall success that is it should be easy to use and intuitive to use so basically execution is everything
- OMG web app Aesthetic aspects functionality here is to cover on the user-friendly aspects and Human Computer Interaction where our main objective is to create effective website where the user quickly and efficiently can obtain the desired pieces of information without being delayed by long downloading times or blind alleys when navigating on the site.

12. Change cases

Change cases will be done the lines of our web app appearance, also means to improve processing time possible by our coding style

13. Milestones

- i. Submit SRS for review by 1 May 2018
- ii. Get SRS approved by May 15th 2018
- iii. Get design done by May 15th 2018
- iv. Get coding done by May 31st 2018
- v. Acceptance tests by 1 June 2018
- vi. Release by ... 15th June 2018

14. Appendices'

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- vi. Change cases- are changes that, although not explicitly mentioned in the user requirements document, might happen in the future.
 - vii. Flask- is also known as “micro-framework” because it uses simple core and uses extension to add other functions. Flask has no default database and form validation tools
 - viii. **User guide** or **user's guide** - also commonly known as a **manual**, is a technical communication document intended to give assistance to people using a particular system.
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- The term aesthetics in the context of this article covers visual, sound and interactive means of effect. However, the article focuses primarily on the visual means of effect in terms of colors, typography, design, pictures, video clips, flash animations, etc
 - Human Computer Interaction - HCI

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