

## **ComparativeMarkerSelection Documentation**

**Module name:** ComparativeMarkerSelection

**Description:** Computes significance values for features using several metrics,

including FDR(BH), Q Value, FPR, FWER, Rank-Specific P-Value,

Feature-Specific P-Value, and Bonferroni.

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The ComparativeMarkerSelection module includes several approaches to determine the features that are most closely correlated with a class template and the significance of that correlation. The module outputs a file containing the following columns:

- 1. **Rank** The rank of the feature within the dataset based on the value of the test statistic. If a two-sided p value is computed, the rank is with respect to the absolute value of the statistic.
- 2. **Feature** The feature name.
- 3. **Score** The value of the test statistic.
- 4. **Feature P** The feature-specific p value based on permutation testing.
- 5. **FPR** (False Positive Rate) The expected proportion of null hypotheses/features having a score better than or equal to the observed one. This measure is not feature-specific, since it is computed by counting the proportion of features having a permuted score better than or equal to the given feature's observed score.
- 6. **FWER** (Family Wise Error Rate) the probability of at least one null hypothesis/feature having a score better than or equal to the observed one. This measure is not feature-specific (see comment about FPR in [5]).
- 7. Rank P The rank-specific p value measures the probability that a null hypothesis/feature with the given rank (i.e., a hypothesis/feature whose observed score has that rank) will be rejected. This measure is not feature-specific since it is computed by comparing the permuted scores of equally ranked features, which can be different at different permutation iterations.
- 8. **FDR (BH)** An estimate of the false discovery rate by the Benjamini and Hochberg procedure (3). The FDR is the probability of a rejected hypothesis being null.
- 9. **Bonferroni** The value of the Bonferroni correction applied to the feature specific p value.
- 10. **Q Value** An estimate of the FDR using the procedure developed by Storey and Tibshirani (4). See the definition of the FDR in [8].

The results from the ComparativeMarkerSelection algorithm can be viewed with the ComparativeMarkerSelectionViewer.

#### Parameters:

Name Description Choices

input.filename The input file - .res, .gct, Dataset

cls.filename The class file - .cls

confound.variable.cls.file The class file containing the confounding variable - .cls



test.direction The test to perform (up-regulated for Class 0;Class 1; 2

class 0, up-regulated for class 1, two-

sided)

test.statistic The statistic to use SNR;T-Test;SNR (median);T-Test (median);T-Test (min

std)

yes;no

min.std The minimum standard deviation if

test statistic is T-Test (min std)

perform

complete Whether to perform all possible yes;no

permutations

balanced Whether to perform balanced yes, no

permutations

fix.standard.deviation Whether to adjust the standard

deviation, as is done in GeneCluster

output.file The name of the output file

random.seed The seed of the random number

generator

### **Return Value:**

An odf file of type ComparativeMarkerSelection containing the results

#### References:

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- 4. Storey, J.D. and R. Tibshirani, *Statistical significance for genomewide studies*. PNAS, 2003. **100**(16): p. 9440-9445.
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#### Platform dependencies:

Task type: Gene List Selection

CPU type: any
OS: any
Java JVM level: 1.4
Language: Java, R

# GenePattern