

ComparativeMarkerSelection Documentation

Module name: ComparativeMarkerSelection

Description: Computes significance values for features using several metrics,

including FDR(BH), Q Value,, FWER, 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. If the input class template has more than two classes, than a one-versus-all comparison is performed for each class. Note that the p values obtained from the one-versus-all comparison are not fully corrected for multiple hypothesis testing. 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. **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.
- FDR (BH) An estimate of the false discovery rate by the Benjamini and Hochberg procedure (3). The FDR is the expected proportion of erroneous rejections among all rejections.
- **7. Bonferroni** The value of the Bonferroni correction applied to the feature specific p value.
- **8. Q** Value An estimate of the FDR using the procedure developed by Storey and Tibshirani (4).
- **9. maxT** The adjusted *p*-values for the maxT multiple testing procedure described in (5), which provides strong control of the FWER.

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

Parameters:

Name Description

input filename The input file - .res, .gct, .odf type=Dataset

cls filename The class file - .cls

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

filename

test direction The test to perform (up-regulated for class 0, up-regulated for

class 1, two-sided)

test statistic The statistic to use

min std The minimum standard deviation if test statistic is T-Test (min



std)

number of permutations
complete
balanced
The number of permutations to perform
Whether to perform all possible permutations
Whether to perform balanced permutations
The seed of the random number generator

smooth p values Whether to smooth p-values

significance booster Whether to attempt to increase the p-value confidence for

significant features

theta Value for removing features when using significance booster

Return Value:

An odf file of type ComparativeMarkerSelection

References:

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Platform dependencies:

Task type: Gene List Selection

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