

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. 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.
- 6. **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.
- **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 fileres, .gct, .odf type=Dataset
cls filename	The class filecls
confound variable cls filename	The class file containing the confounding variablecls
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	The number of permutations to perform
complete	Whether to perform all possible permutations
balanced	Whether to perform balanced permutations



random seed 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