

# **HierarchicalClustering Documentation**

Module name: HierarchicalClustering

**Description:** Agglomerative hierarchical clustering of genes/experiments **Author:** Stefano Monti (Broad Institute), gp-help@broad.mit.edu

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**Summary**: Given a set of items to be clustered (items can be either genes or chips/experiments), agglomerative hierarchical clustering (HC) recursively merges items with other items, or with the result of previous merges, according to their pair-wise "distance" (with the closest item pairs being merged first). As a result, it produces a tree structure, referred to as dendogram, whose nodes correspond to: i) the original items (these are the leaves of the tree); and ii) the merging of other nodes (these are the internal nodes of the tree). If k clusters are required (k 1), the merging proceeds until k nodes are left. The ) the Euclidean distance measure is used. HierarchicalClustering will produce a cdt file which contains the original data, but reordered to reflect the clustering. In addition toi the cdt file, either an atr file or a gtr file is created. An atr file is produced if you clustered by samples (columns) and a gtr file is produced if you clustered by genes (rows), is created. For a more detailed description of the format of the output files see <a href="http://genome-www5.stanford.edu/help/formats.shtml">http://genome-www5.stanford.edu/help/formats.shtml</a>.

### References:

 M.B. Eisen, et al. "Cluster Analysis and Display of Genome-Wide Expression Patterns," PNAS, 14863-14868 (1998).

#### Parameters:

Name input.filename output.stub	Description RES, GCT, or ODF file output stub	Choices
merge.type normalize.type	merge type=average, single, complete row-wise, col-wise, both	average;single;complete row-wise;col-wise;both
num.iter	row/column normalize data 'num iter' times (overrides normalize_type) Note: num iter, if used, should be about 10	
cluster.by	cluster by rows or columns	rows;columns

## **Return Value:**

- 1. <output.name>.cdt see description in Summary.
- 2. <output.name>.atr if clustered by columns or <output.name>.gtr if clustered by rows. See description in Summary.



# Platform dependencies:

Task type: Clustering

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