

Class 14: RNASeq mini project

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Background

Here we work through a complete RNASeq analysis project. The input data comes from a knock-down experiment of a HOX gene.

Data Import

Reading the `counts` and `metadata` csv files Check on data structure

```
counts <- read.csv("GSE37704_featurecounts.csv", row.names = 1, )
metadata <- read.csv("GSE37704_metadata.csv")

head(counts)
```

	length	SRR493366	SRR493367	SRR493368	SRR493369	SRR493370
ENSG00000186092	918	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000279928	718	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000279457	1982	23	28	29	29	28
ENSG00000278566	939	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000273547	939	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000187634	3214	124	123	205	207	212
		SRR493371				
ENSG00000186092		0				
ENSG00000279928		0				
ENSG00000279457		46				
ENSG00000278566		0				
ENSG00000273547		0				
ENSG00000187634		258				

```
head(metadata)
```

	id	condition
1	SRR493366	control_sirna
2	SRR493367	control_sirna
3	SRR493368	control_sirna
4	SRR493369	hoxa1_kd
5	SRR493370	hoxa1_kd
6	SRR493371	hoxa1_kd

Some book-keeping is required as there looks to be a mis-match between counts columns and metadata rows.

```
ncol(counts)
```

```
[1] 7
```

```
nrow(metadata)
```

```
[1] 6
```

Looks like we need to get rid of the first “length” column of our **counts** object.

```
cleancounts <- counts[, -1]
head(cleancounts)
```

	SRR493366	SRR493367	SRR493368	SRR493369	SRR493370	SRR493371
ENSG00000186092	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000279928	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000279457	23	28	29	29	28	46
ENSG00000278566	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000273547	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENSG00000187634	124	123	205	207	212	258

```
ncol(cleancounts)
```

```
[1] 6
```

Remove zero count genes

There are lots of genes with zero counts. We can remove these for future analysis.

```
to.keep inds <- rowSums(cleancounts) > 0
nonzero_counts <- cleancounts[to.keep.inds,]
```

DESeq Analysis

Load the package

```
library(DESeq2)
```

Setup DESeq object

```
dds <- DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(countData = nonzero_counts,
                                colData = metadata,
                                design = ~condition)
```

Warning in DESeqDataSet(se, design = design, ignoreRank): some variables in
design formula are characters, converting to factors

Run DESeq

```
dds <- DESeq(dds)
```

estimating size factors

estimating dispersions

gene-wise dispersion estimates

mean-dispersion relationship

final dispersion estimates

fitting model and testing

Get results

```
res <- results(dds)
head(res)
```

```
log2 fold change (MLE): condition hoxa1 kd vs control sirna
Wald test p-value: condition hoxa1 kd vs control sirna
DataFrame with 6 rows and 6 columns
  baseMean log2FoldChange      lfcSE      stat     pvalue
  <numeric>      <numeric> <numeric> <numeric>    <numeric>
ENSG00000279457   29.9136    0.1792571  0.3248215  0.551863 5.81042e-01
ENSG00000187634   183.2296   0.4264571  0.1402658  3.040350 2.36304e-03
ENSG00000188976  1651.1881  -0.6927205  0.0548465 -12.630156 1.43993e-36
ENSG00000187961   209.6379   0.7297556  0.1318599  5.534326 3.12428e-08
ENSG00000187583   47.2551    0.0405765  0.2718928  0.149237 8.81366e-01
ENSG00000187642   11.9798    0.5428105  0.5215598  1.040744 2.97994e-01
  padj
  <numeric>
ENSG00000279457 6.86555e-01
ENSG00000187634 5.15718e-03
ENSG00000188976 1.76553e-35
ENSG00000187961 1.13413e-07
ENSG00000187583 9.19031e-01
ENSG00000187642 4.03379e-01
```

Summary of results:

```
summary(res)

out of 15975 with nonzero total read count
adjusted p-value < 0.1
LFC > 0 (up)      : 4349, 27%
LFC < 0 (down)    : 4396, 28%
outliers [1]       : 0, 0%
low counts [2]     : 1237, 7.7%
(mean count < 0)
[1] see 'cooksCutoff' argument of ?results
[2] see 'independentFiltering' argument of ?results
```

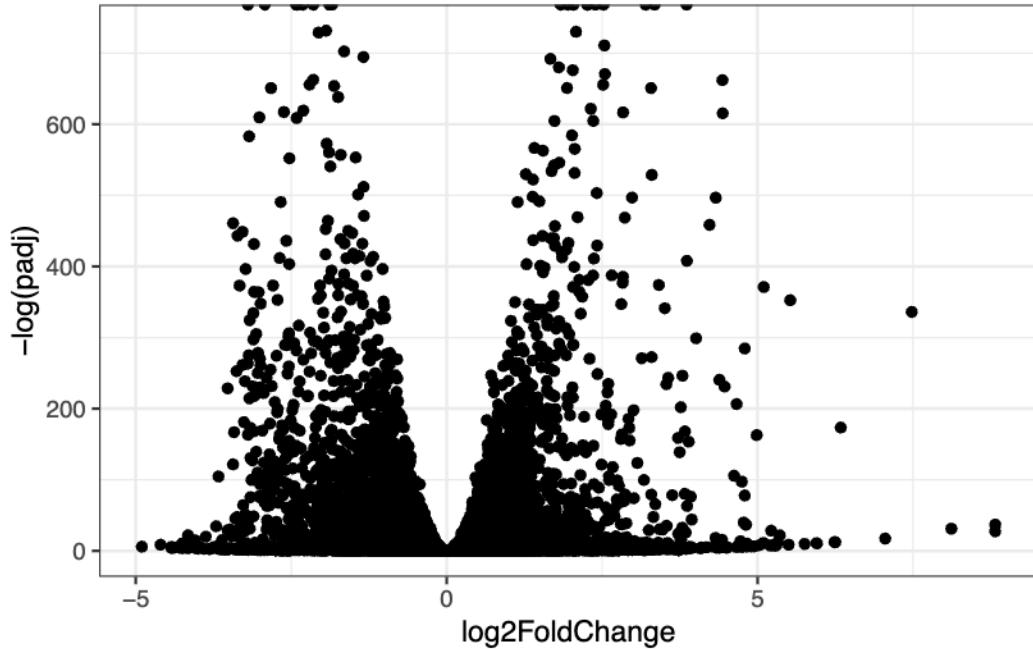
Data Visualization

Volcano plot

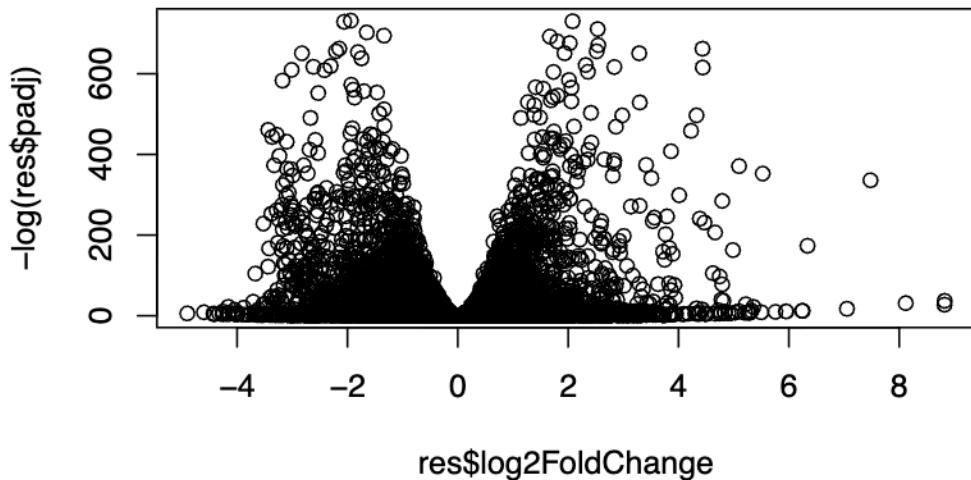
```
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(res) +
  aes(log2FoldChange, -log(padj)) +
  geom_point() +
  theme_bw()
```

Warning: Removed 1237 rows containing missing values or values outside the scale range
(`geom_point()`).



```
plot( res$log2FoldChange, -log(res$padj) )
```



Add threshold lines for fold-change and P-value and color our subset of genes that makes these threshold cut-offs in the plot.

```

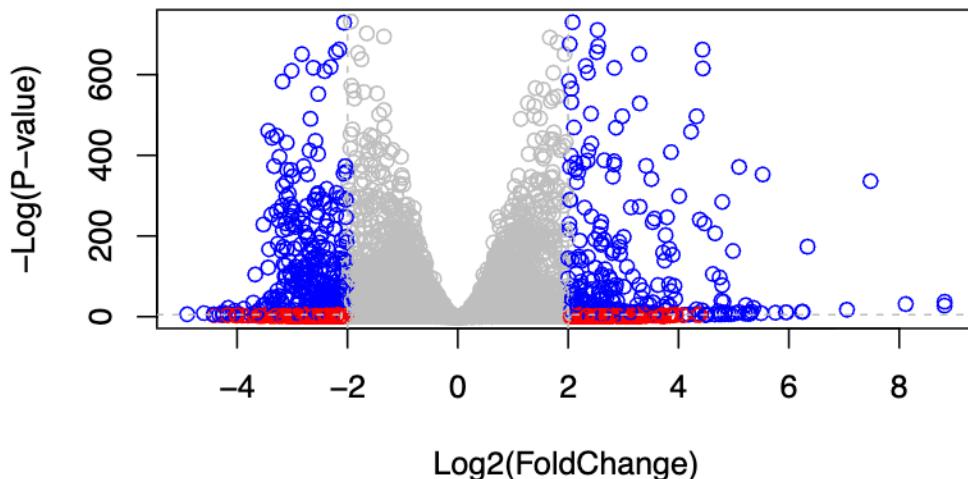
# Setup our custom point color vector
mycols <- rep("gray", nrow(res))
mycols[ abs(res$log2FoldChange) > 2 ] <- "red"

inds <- (res$padj < 0.01) & (abs(res$log2FoldChange) > 2 )
mycols[ inds ] <- "blue"

# Volcano plot with custom colors
plot( res$log2FoldChange, -log(res$padj),
      col=mycols, xlab="Log2(FoldChange)", ylab="-Log(P-value)")

# Cut-off lines
abline(v=c(-2,2), col="gray", lty=2)
abline(h=-log(0.01), col="gray", lty=2)

```



Add Annotation

Add gene symbols and entrez ids

```

library(AnnotationDbi)
library(org.Hs.eg.db)

```

```

res$entrez <- mapIds(keys = row.names(res), # our current Ids
                      keytype = "ENSEMBL" , # the format of our Ids
                      x = org.Hs.eg.db,      # where to get the mappings from
                      column = "ENTREZID"    # the format/DB to map to
                    )

res$symbol <- mapIds(keys = row.names(res), # our current Ids
                      keytype = "ENSEMBL" , # the format of our Ids
                      x = org.Hs.eg.db,      # where to get the mappings from
                      column = "SYMBOL"      # the format/DB to map to
                    )

res$GENENAME <- mapIds(keys = row.names(res), # our current Ids
                      keytype = "ENSEMBL" , # the format of our Ids
                      x = org.Hs.eg.db,      # where to get the mappings from
                      column = "GENENAME"    # the format/DB to map to
                    )
head(res)

```

log2 fold change (MLE): condition hoxa1 kd vs control sirna
Wald test p-value: condition hoxa1 kd vs control sirna
DataFrame with 6 rows and 9 columns

	baseMean	log2FoldChange	lfcSE	stat	pvalue	
	<numeric>	<numeric>	<numeric>	<numeric>	<numeric>	GENENAME
ENSG00000279457	29.9136	0.1792571	0.3248215	0.551863	5.81042e-01	
ENSG00000187634	183.2296	0.4264571	0.1402658	3.040350	2.36304e-03	
ENSG00000188976	1651.1881	-0.6927205	0.0548465	-12.630156	1.43993e-36	
ENSG00000187961	209.6379	0.7297556	0.1318599	5.534326	3.12428e-08	
ENSG00000187583	47.2551	0.0405765	0.2718928	0.149237	8.81366e-01	
ENSG00000187642	11.9798	0.5428105	0.5215598	1.040744	2.97994e-01	
	padj	entrez	symbol			
	<numeric>	<character>	<character>			<character>
ENSG00000279457	6.86555e-01	NA	NA			NA
ENSG00000187634	5.15718e-03	148398	SAMD11 sterile alpha motif ..			
ENSG00000188976	1.76553e-35	26155	NOC2L NOC2 like nucleolar ..			
ENSG00000187961	1.13413e-07	339451	KLHL17 kelch like family me..			
ENSG00000187583	9.19031e-01	84069	PLEKHN1 pleckstrin homology ..			
ENSG00000187642	4.03379e-01	84808	PERM1 PPARGC1 and ESRR ind..			

Pathway Analysis

Kegg pathway analysis

Run gage analysis

```
library(gage)
library(gageData)
library(pathview)
```

We need a named vector of fold-change values as inputs for gage.

```
foldchanges <- res$log2FoldChange
names(foldchanges) <- res$entrez
head(foldchanges)
```

```
<NA>      148398      26155      339451      84069      84808
0.17925708  0.42645712 -0.69272046  0.72975561  0.04057653  0.54281049
```

```
data(kegg.sets.hs)

keggres = gage(foldchanges, gsets=kegg.sets.hs)

head(keggres$less, 2)
```

```
          p.geomean stat.mean      p.val      q.val
hsa04110 Cell cycle 8.995727e-06 -4.378644 8.995727e-06 0.001889103
hsa03030 DNA replication 9.424076e-05 -3.951803 9.424076e-05 0.009841047
          set.size      exp1
hsa04110 Cell cycle      121 8.995727e-06
hsa03030 DNA replication      36 9.424076e-05
```

```
pathview(pathway.id = "hsa04110", gene.data = foldchanges)
```

```
'select()' returned 1:1 mapping between keys and columns
```

```
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```

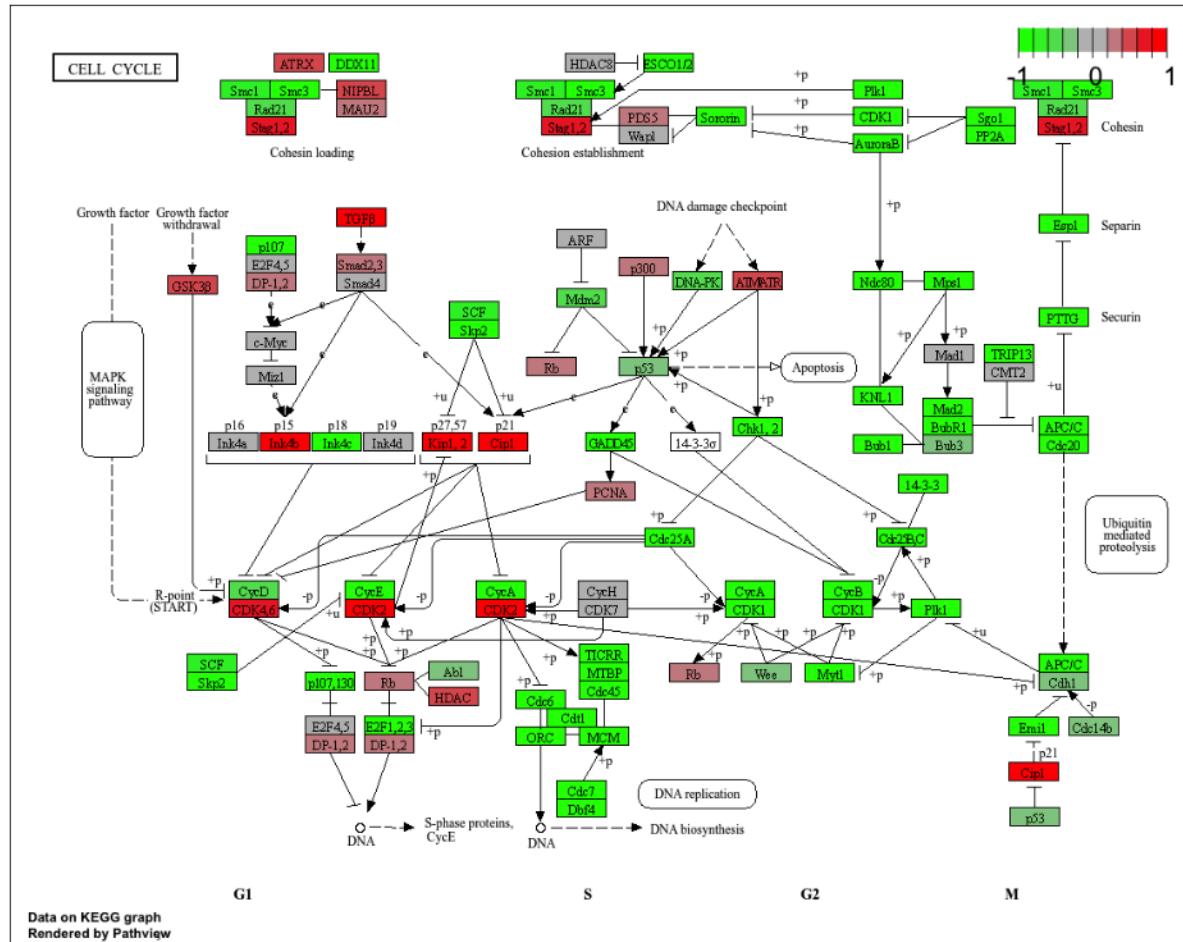
```
Info: Writing image file hsa04110.pathview.png
```

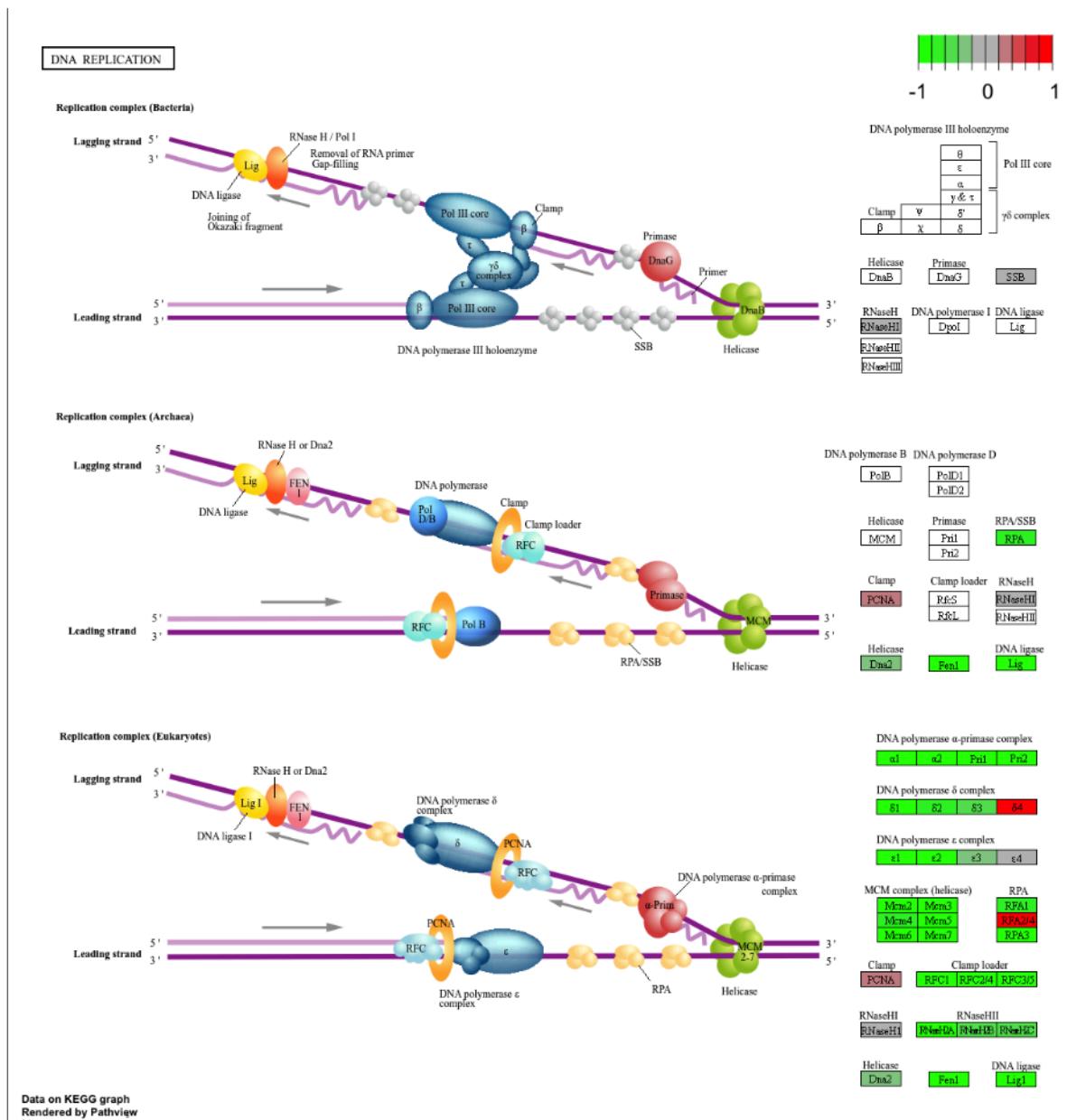
```
pathview(pathway.id = "hsa03030", gene.data = foldchanges)
```

'select()' returned 1:1 mapping between keys and columns

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Info: Writing image file hsa03030.pathview.png





Q. Can you do the same procedure as above to plot the pathview figures for the top 5 down-regulated pathways?

hsa04110 and hsa03030 are seen above

```
## Focus on top 5 down-regulated pathways  
keggrespathways <- rownames(keggres$less)[1:5]
```

```
# Extract the 8 character long IDs part of each string
keggresids = substr(keggrespathways, start=1, stop=8)
keggresids

[1] "hsa04110" "hsa03030" "hsa05130" "hsa03013" "hsa03440"

pathview(gene.data=foldchanges, pathway.id=keggresids, species="hsa")

'select()' returned 1:1 mapping between keys and columns

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Info: Writing image file hsa04110.pathview.png

'select()' returned 1:1 mapping between keys and columns

Info: Working in directory /Users/josephgirgiss/Desktop/BIMM_143/class14

Info: Writing image file hsa03030.pathview.png

'select()' returned 1:1 mapping between keys and columns

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Info: Writing image file hsa05130.pathview.png

'select()' returned 1:1 mapping between keys and columns

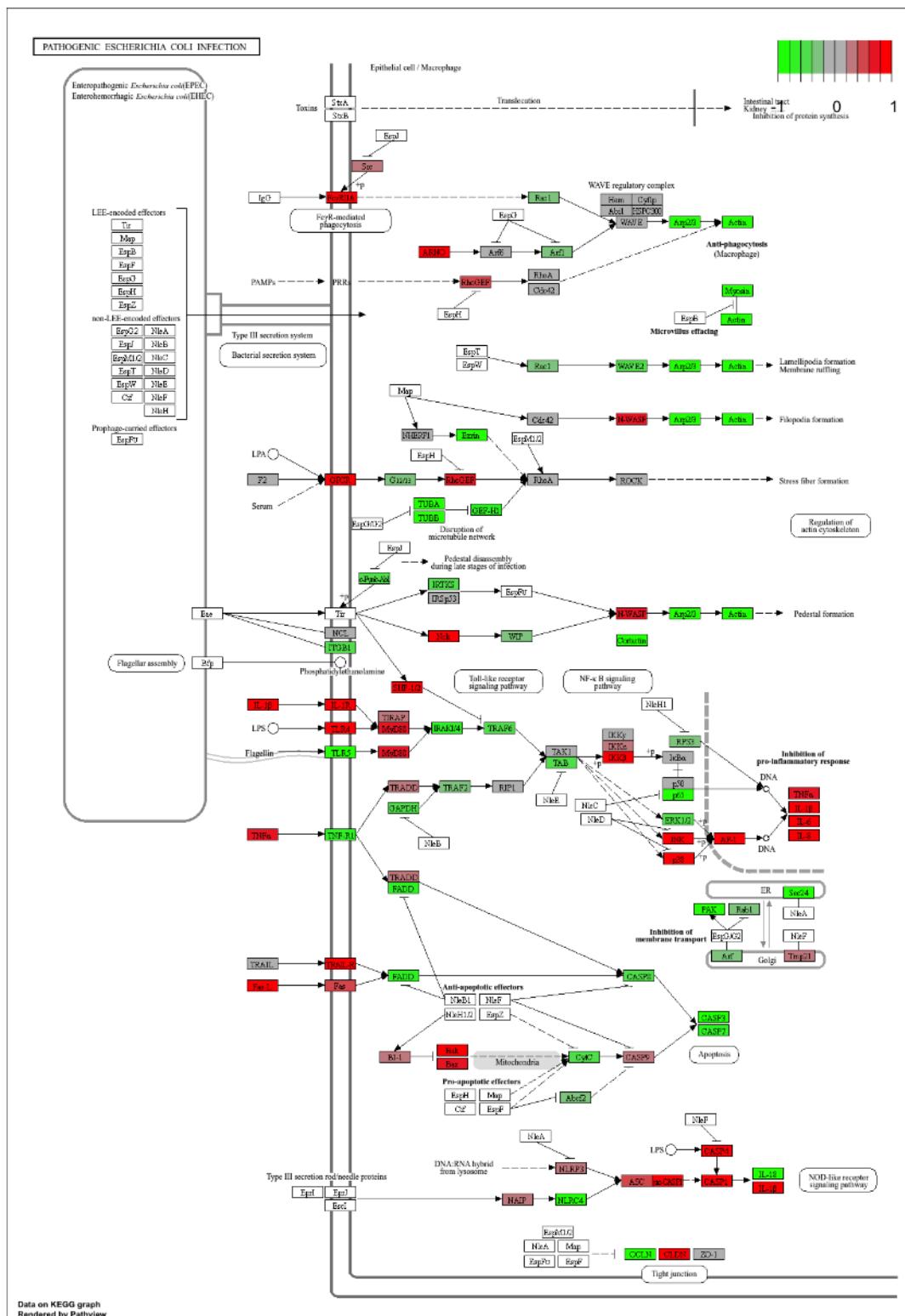
Info: Working in directory /Users/josephgirgiss/Desktop/BIMM_143/class14

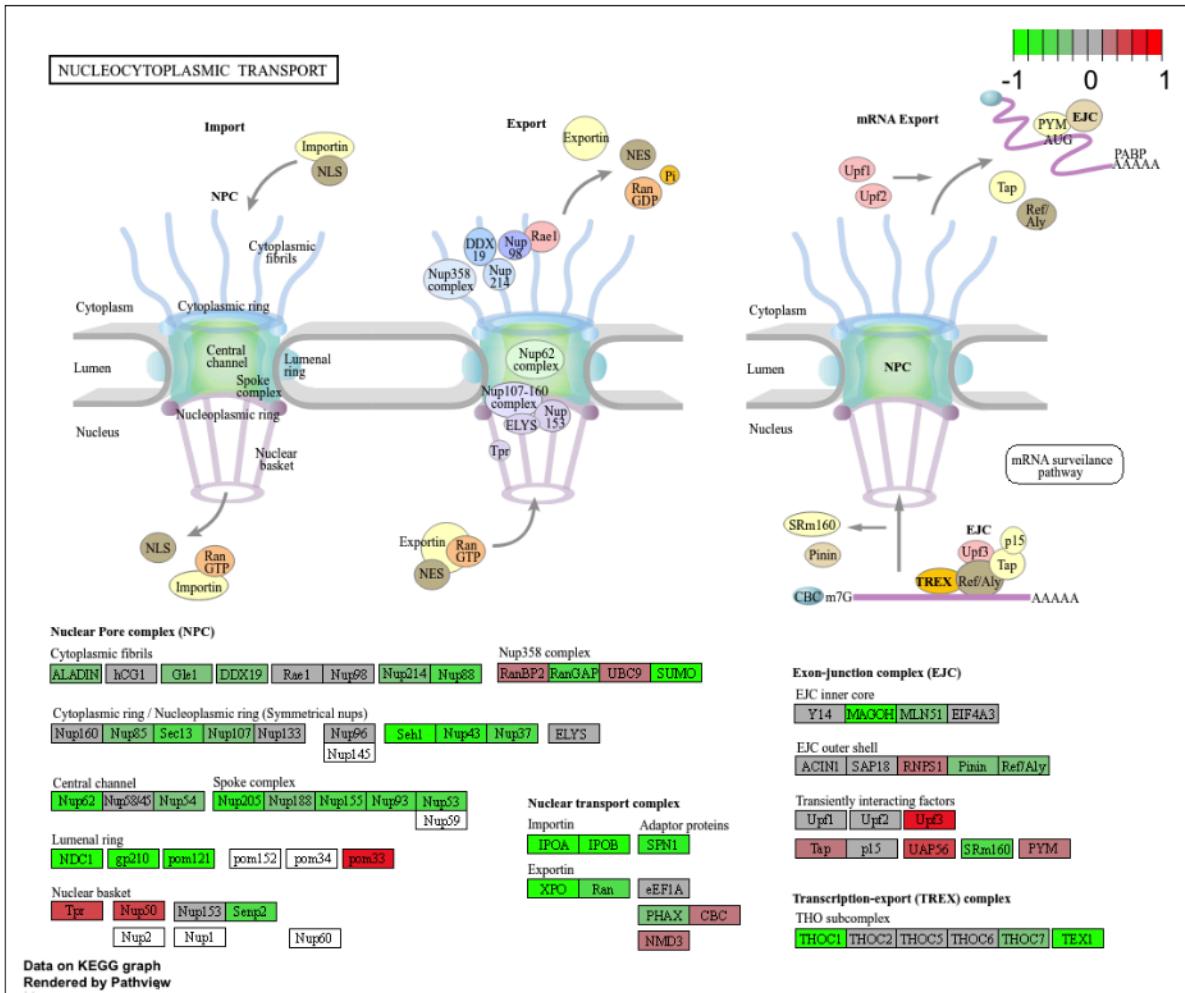
Info: Writing image file hsa03013.pathview.png

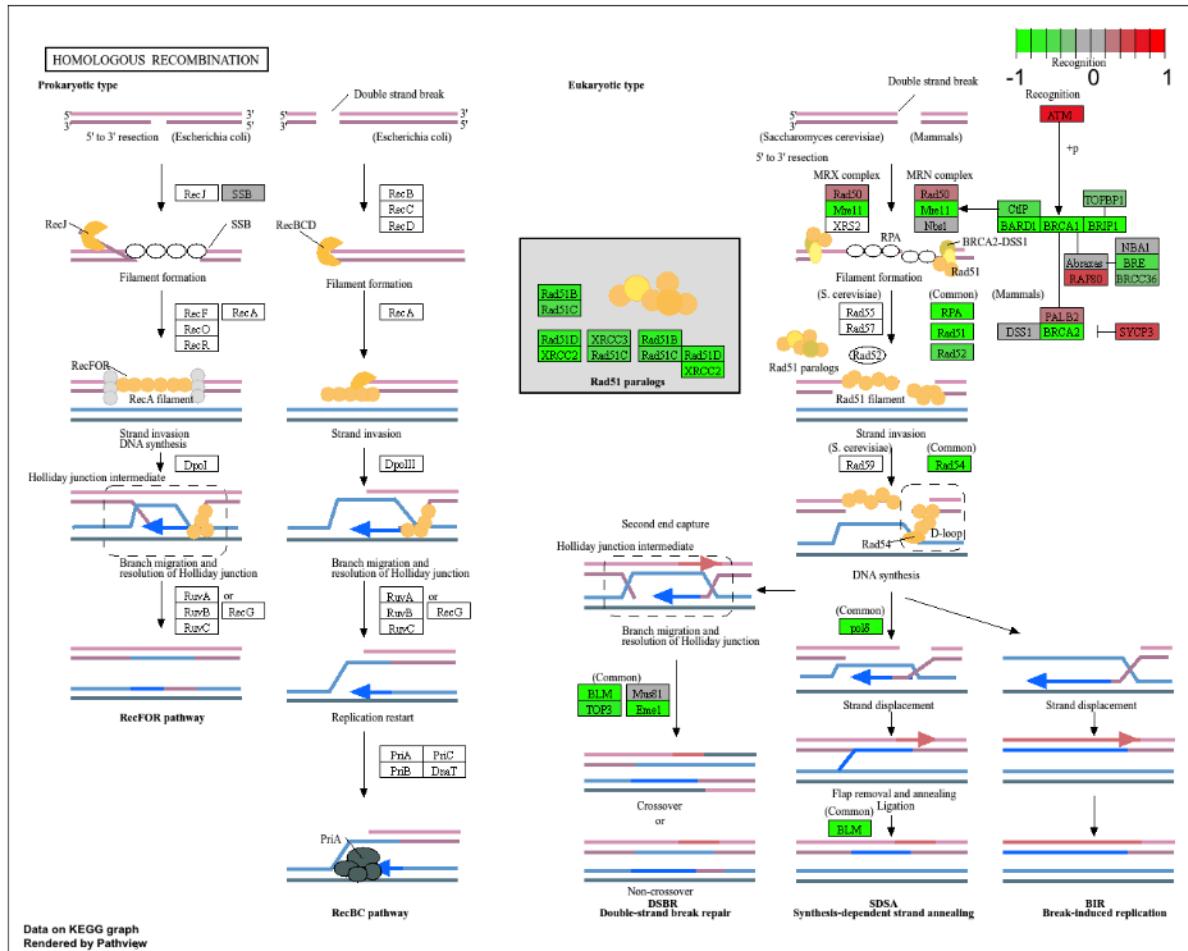
'select()' returned 1:1 mapping between keys and columns

Info: Working in directory /Users/josephgirgiss/Desktop/BIMM_143/class14
```

Info: Writing image file hsa03440.pathview.png







GO terms

Same analysis but using GO genesets rather than KEGG

```
data(go.sets.hs)
data(go.subs.hs)

# Focus on Biological Process subset of GO
gobpsets = go.sets.hs[go.subs.hs$BP]

gobpres = gage(foldchanges, gsets=gobpsets, same.dir=TRUE)

head(gobpres$less)
```

	p.geomean	stat.mean	p.val
GO:0048285 organelle fission	1.536227e-15	-8.063910	1.536227e-15
GO:0000280 nuclear division	4.286961e-15	-7.939217	4.286961e-15
GO:0007067 mitosis	4.286961e-15	-7.939217	4.286961e-15
GO:0000087 M phase of mitotic cell cycle	1.169934e-14	-7.797496	1.169934e-14
GO:0007059 chromosome segregation	2.028624e-11	-6.878340	2.028624e-11
GO:0000236 mitotic prometaphase	1.729553e-10	-6.695966	1.729553e-10
	q.val	set.size	exp1
GO:0048285 organelle fission	5.841698e-12	376	1.536227e-15
GO:0000280 nuclear division	5.841698e-12	352	4.286961e-15
GO:0007067 mitosis	5.841698e-12	352	4.286961e-15
GO:0000087 M phase of mitotic cell cycle	1.195672e-11	362	1.169934e-14
GO:0007059 chromosome segregation	1.658603e-08	142	2.028624e-11
GO:0000236 mitotic prometaphase	1.178402e-07	84	1.729553e-10

Reactome Analysis

Lots of folks like the reactome web interface. We can also run this as an R function but lets look at the web interface first <<https://reactome.org/PathwayBrowser/#TOOL=AT>>

The website wants a text file with one gene symbol per line of the genes you want to map to pathways.

```
sig_genes <- res[res$padj <= 0.05 & !is.na(res$padj), "symbol"]
head(sig_genes)
```

```
ENSG00000187634 ENSG00000188976 ENSG00000187961 ENSG00000188290 ENSG00000187608
    "SAMD11"          "NOC2L"          "KLHL17"          "HES4"           "ISG15"
ENSG00000188157
    "AGRN"
```

```
print(paste("Total number of significant genes:", length(sig_genes)))
```

```
[1] "Total number of significant genes: 8147"
```

```
write.table(sig_genes, file="significant_genes.txt", row.names=FALSE, col.names=FALSE, quote=
```

Q. What pathway has the most significant “Entities p-value”? Do the most significant pathways listed match your previous KEGG results? What factors could cause differences between the two methods?

```

# Top KEGG upregulated pathway (lowest p-value)
kegg_top_up <- rownames(keggres$greater)[ which.min(keggres$greater[ , "p.val"]) ]

# Top KEGG downregulated pathway (lowest p-value)
kegg_top_down <- rownames(keggres$less)[ which.min(keggres$less[ , "p.val"]) ]

kegg_top_up

[1] "hsa04060 Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction"

kegg_top_down

[1] "hsa04110 Cell cycle"

# Top GO BP upregulated term
go_top_up <- rownames(gobpres$greater)[ which.min(gobpres$greater[ , "p.val"]) ]

# Top GO BP downregulated term
go_top_down <- rownames(gobpres$less)[ which.min(gobpres$less[ , "p.val"]) ]

go_top_up

[1] "GO:0007156 homophilic cell adhesion"

go_top_down

[1] "GO:0048285 organelle fission"

top_up_pval <- head(rownames(keggres$greater),1)
top_down_pval <- head(rownames(keggres$less), 1)
top_up_pval

[1] "hsa04060 Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction"

top_down_pval

[1] "hsa04110 Cell cycle"

```

```
go_top_up_pval <- head(rownames(gobpres$greater),1)
go_top_down_pval <- head(rownames(gobpres$less), 1)
go_top_up_pval
```

```
[1] "GO:0007156 homophilic cell adhesion"
```

```
go_top_down_pval
```

```
[1] "GO:0048285 organelle fission"
```

Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction and homophilic cell adhesion are the most significant up-regulated gene for Kegg and for Go, respectively. Cell cycle and organelle fission are the most significant down-regulated gene for Kegg and for Go, respectively. While both the up-regulated gene reflect enhanced cell-cell communication and coordinated cellular responses, and both the down-regulated genes are related to cell-cycle progression, differences in gene “hits” may arise from differences in how each method categorizes biology (Kegg = general pathway, GO = function-based) as well as different gene set sizes.

Save our results

```
res = res[order(res$pvalue),]
write.csv(res, file = "myresults.csv")
```