

Differential Expression Analysis

First we will load the necessary libraries.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(DESeq2)
library(magrittr)
library(edgeR)
```

The data has been extracted from <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE226134> from the GSE226134_CK_10__norm.xlsx file. Lauren Mock selected for pre-treatment samples and performed data quality control.

```
data <- read.csv("data/input/JoinedWide.csv")

property <- as.data.frame(cbind(data$SegmentDisplayName, data$METASTATIC))
names(property)=c("SegmentDisplayName", "METASTATIC")
normCountData <- data[,59:ncol(data)]
row.names(normCountData) <- data$SegmentDisplayName
```

The data given is normalized, but the properties include a normalization factor that we can divide the data by to get to integer counts, which are required for DESeq.

```
intCountData <- normCountData / data$NormalizationFactor
intCountData <- data.frame(lapply(intCountData, as.integer))
```

DESeq

```
dds <- DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(countData = t(intCountData),
                              colData = property,
                              design = ~METASTATIC)
```

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

DESeq recommends that row counts are filtered to remove rows with very few reads, especially rows with less than 10 reads. Here it appears that we end up keeping all rows.

```
keep <- rowSums(counts(dds)) >= 10
dds <- dds[keep,]
```

Next we will run DESeq to get the differentially expressed genes.

```
dds$METASTATIC <- relevel(dds$METASTATIC, ref = "False")
dds <- DESeq(dds)
```

estimating size factors

estimating dispersions

gene-wise dispersion estimates

mean-dispersion relationship

```
-- note: fitType='parametric', but the dispersion trend was not well captured by the
function: y = a/x + b, and a local regression fit was automatically substituted.
specify fitType='local' or 'mean' to avoid this message next time.
```

final dispersion estimates

fitting model and testing

```
-- replacing outliers and refitting for 116 genes
-- DESeq argument 'minReplicatesForReplace' = 7
-- original counts are preserved in counts(dds)
```

estimating dispersions

fitting model and testing

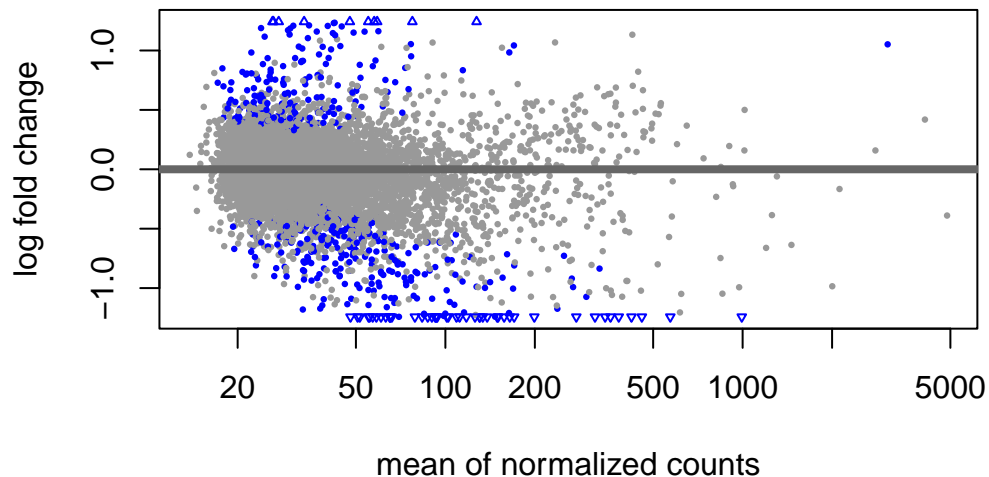
```
adj_pval_threshold <- 0.05
res <- results(dds, alpha = adj_pval_threshold)
summary(res)
```

```
out of 9223 with nonzero total read count
adjusted p-value < 0.05
LFC > 0 (up)      : 195, 2.1%
LFC < 0 (down)    : 281, 3%
outliers [1]      : 0, 0%
low counts [2]    : 0, 0%
(mean count < 14)
[1] see 'cooksCutoff' argument of ?results
[2] see 'independentFiltering' argument of ?results
```

```
resultsNames(dds)
```

```
[1] "Intercept"          "METASTATIC_True_vs_False"
```

```
DESeq2::plotMA(res)
```



```
resOrdered <- res[order(res$padj),]
resSig <- subset(resOrdered, padj < 0.05)
resSig <- subset(resSig, abs(log2FoldChange) > 1)
```

```
nrow(resSig) #113 genes
```

```
[1] 113
```

```
gene_names <- rownames(resSig)
#uncomment the following lines to get a printed list to input for ShinyGO
# for (gene in gene_names) {
#   cat(gene, "\n")
# } #running these genes through ShinyGO shows cancer and metabolism pathways http://bioinformatics.org
```

EdgeR

Reference: https://web.stanford.edu/class/bios221/labs/rnaseq/lab_4_rnaseq.html

First we will prepare the data and calculate the dispersion so we will next be able to find the differential expression

```
d <- DGEList(counts=t(intCountData),group=property$METASTATIC)
dim(d)
```

```
[1] 9223 59
```

```
#head(d$counts)
apply(d$counts, 2, sum)
```

Sample1	Sample2	Sample3	Sample4	Sample5	Sample6	Sample7	Sample8
910619	49480	131443	348687	915774	1045122	649427	378320
Sample9	Sample10	Sample11	Sample12	Sample13	Sample14	Sample15	Sample16
380713	2014498	823838	802316	238557	883929	514514	496125
Sample17	Sample18	Sample19	Sample20	Sample21	Sample22	Sample23	Sample24
361452	314568	442702	1115658	369882	156975	488535	1658825
Sample25	Sample26	Sample27	Sample28	Sample29	Sample30	Sample31	Sample32
2145876	485456	291752	2437146	381860	524198	39357	42942
Sample33	Sample34	Sample35	Sample36	Sample37	Sample38	Sample39	Sample40
970369	86043	883825	254777	1124356	122495	309227	567186
Sample41	Sample42	Sample43	Sample44	Sample45	Sample46	Sample47	Sample48
2001258	517700	323444	57887	528169	1187802	1153804	211023
Sample49	Sample50	Sample51	Sample52	Sample53	Sample54	Sample55	Sample56

```

        64074    108979    528054    500160    802961    2543986    474835    303885
Sample57 Sample58 Sample59
        152894    1453165    1118159

```

```

#filtering steps for DESeq
keep <- rowSums(cpm(d)>100) >= 2
d <- d[keep,]
dim(d) #cuts down about 600 genes

```

```
[1] 8680    59
```

```

d$samples$lib.size <- colSums(d$counts)
d <- calcNormFactors(d)
d1 <- estimateCommonDisp(d, verbose=T)

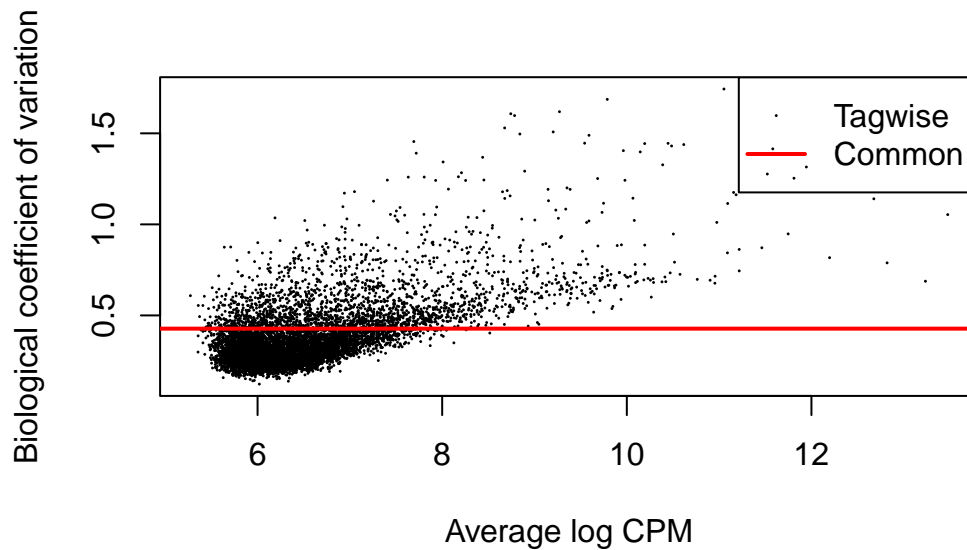
```

```
Disp = 0.18261 , BCV = 0.4273
```

```

d1 <- estimateTagwiseDisp(d1)
plotBCV(d1)

```



We will now use our information from the dispersion calculation to check for differential expression and then compare to the results from DESeq.

```
et12 <- exactTest(d1, pair=c(1,2))
topTags(et12, n=10)
```

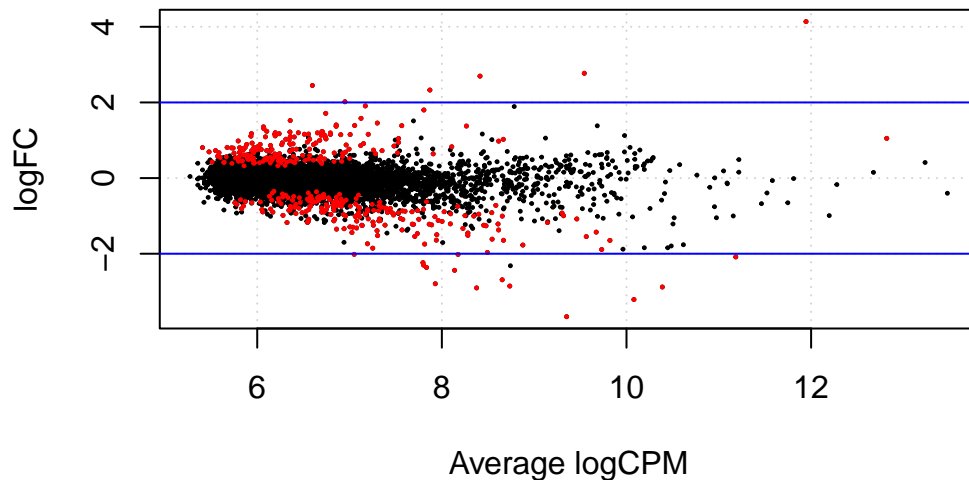
Comparison of groups: True-False

	logFC	logCPM	PValue	FDR
PITX1	4.1377711	11.945164	1.817350e-15	1.577460e-11
MT1G	1.9075098	7.171275	5.273978e-13	1.806617e-09
ANK1	2.6948864	8.413772	6.244069e-13	1.806617e-09
GSTA1	2.4484216	6.597395	4.285723e-12	9.300019e-09
DCXR	1.1614314	6.191021	4.497128e-11	7.807015e-08
ASH2L	1.3051355	6.072951	1.168861e-09	1.690953e-06
TNC	-3.2101590	10.080863	1.991779e-09	2.438533e-06
BAG4	1.0346380	6.745474	2.247496e-09	2.438533e-06
LUM	2.3276325	7.870496	2.841152e-09	2.740133e-06
FGFR1	0.9251594	5.944759	4.159412e-09	3.610369e-06

```
de1 <- decideTestsDGE(et12, adjust.method="BH", p.value=0.05)
summary(de1)
```

	True-False
Down	211
NotSig	8296
Up	173

```
de1tags12 <- rownames(d1)[as.logical(de1)]
plotSmear(et12, de.tags=de1tags12)
abline(h = c(-2, 2), col = "blue")
```



```
tags <- topTags(et12, n=Inf)
top_genes <- rownames(tags$table)[tags$table$FDR < 0.05 & abs(tags$table$logFC) > 1]
```

Compare DESeq and EdgeR

```
sum(top_genes %in% rownames(resSig)) #106 of 113 genes match
```

```
[1] 106
```

```
sum(rownames(resSig) %in% top_genes) #106; serves as a check
```

```
[1] 106
```

```
gene <- top_genes[top_genes %in% rownames(resSig)]
#the output of the following lines is very long so it will be omitted from our rendered do
#to get the list of genes for ShinyGO please uncomment the following lines:
# for (gene_name in gene) {
#   cat(gene_name, "\n")
# }
```

We can see that there are 106 genes in common between the results from DESeq and from EdgeR. When we plug in the overlapping genes into ShinyGO, we see pathways enriched for receptor interactions, cancer, adhesion, and signaling pathways, which make sense given the biological basis of metastasis.

We will use these 106 genes as the differential expression genes for downstream steps in the process. We will use the p-value information from DESeq.

```
res_match <- subset(resSig, rownames(resSig) %in% top_genes)

res_match_df <- cbind(gene, as.data.frame(res_match@listData))
write.csv(res_match_df, file="data/output/metastasis_results.csv")
```