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Mock heterosis data

	Parent (1)				Parent (2)				Hybrid (3)				Truth	
HPH	Feature 1	3	4	2	1	0	0	1	0	700	900	825	860	1
HPH	Feature 2	0	1	1	0	2	7	5	18	50	501	400	90	1
	Feature 3	100	225	0	15	300	106	200	400	70	279	100	123	0
LPH	Feature 4	893	400	760	901	1000	513	760	580	5	5	6	7	1

	Feature 25000	10	13	6	4	902	912	999	825	819	761	800	465	0

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Simulation workflow

- ▶ Simulate 30 datasets:
 - ▶ 10 datasets with 4 samples (libraries, columns, etc.) per group
 - ▶ 10 with 8 per group
 - ▶ 10 with 16 per group
- ▶ For each simulated dataset, test for heterosis with
 - ▶ empirical Bayes with STAN (Eric's method)
 - ▶ edgeR
 - ▶ baySeq
 - ▶ ShrinkBayes
- ▶ Compare methods with ROC curves

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Apply edgeR to real data to get simulation parameters

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Normalization factors

c_1	c_2	c_3	c_4	c_5	c_6	c_7	c_8	c_9	c_{10}	c_{11}	c_{12}
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Main effects and dispersions

Parent (1)	Parent (2)	Hybrid (3)	Dispersion
$\mu_{1,1}$	$\mu_{1,2}$	$\mu_{1,3}$	ψ_1
$\mu_{2,1}$	$\mu_{2,2}$	$\mu_{2,3}$	ψ_2
...
$\mu_{27888,1}$	$\mu_{27888,2}$	$\mu_{27888,3}$	ψ_{27888}

Generating the data

- ▶ Does feature f truly have heterosis?

$$\text{truth}_f = I(\mu_{f,3} > \max(\mu_{f,1}, \mu_{f,2}) \text{ or } \mu_{f,3} < \min(\mu_{f,1}, \mu_{f,2}))$$

- ▶ For a dataset with 4 libraries per group,

$$y_{f,i} \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{NB}(\exp(c_i + \mu_{f,t(i)}), \psi_f)$$

- ▶ $t(i)$ is the group of library i .
 - ▶ Resimulate to increase the number of libraries per group.
- ▶ Remove extremely low-count features.
- ▶ Take a random subset of 25000 features from the remaining ones.

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Mock example data with 4 samples per treatment group

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- ▶ Fit a loglinear model to estimate main effects $\mu_{f,t}$
 - ▶ Feature $f = 1, \dots, 25000$
 - ▶ Treatment group $t = 1$ (parent), 2 (parent), 3 (hybrid)
- ▶ Likelihood ratio tests to get p-values $p_{f,1}$, $p_{f,2}$

$$H_{0,1} : \mu_{f,3} = \mu_{f,1} \quad H_{a,1} : \mu_{f,3} \neq \mu_{f,1}$$

$$H_{0,2} : \mu_{f,3} = \mu_{f,2} \quad H_{a,2} : \mu_{f,3} \neq \mu_{f,2}$$

- ▶ Final p-value:

$$p_{f,\text{edgeR}} = \begin{cases} p_{f,1}/2 & \hat{\mu}_{f,3} < \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \text{ or } \hat{\mu}_{f,3} > \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \geq \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \\ p_{f,2}/2 & \hat{\mu}_{f,3} < \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \text{ or } \hat{\mu}_{f,3} > \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \geq \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \\ 1 & \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,3} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \text{ or } \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,3} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \end{cases}$$

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ShrinkBayes

- ▶ Built on `inla` (integrated nested Laplace approximation).
- ▶ empirical Bayes with a zero-inflated NB likelihood and normal priors.
- ▶ I reparameterize

$$\phi_f = \frac{\mu_{f,1} + \mu_{f,2}}{2} \quad (\text{parental mean})$$

$$\alpha_f = \frac{\mu_{f,2} - \mu_{f,1}}{2} \quad (\text{half parental difference})$$

$$\delta_f = \mu_{f,3} - \frac{\mu_{f,1} + \mu_{f,2}}{2} \quad (\text{hybrid effect})$$

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ShrinkBayes

α_f = half parental difference

δ_f = hybrid effect

- Use contrasts to calculate final posterior probabilities of heterosis:

$$P_{f, \text{ShrinkBayes}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \left| \hat{\delta}_f \right| < \left| \hat{\alpha}_f \right|, \text{ o.w.:} \\ P(\delta_f + \alpha_f > 0 \mid \text{data}) & \hat{\delta}_f > -\hat{\alpha}_f \\ P(\delta_f - \alpha_f > 0 \mid \text{data}) & \hat{\delta}_f > \hat{\alpha}_f \\ P(\delta_f - \alpha_f < 0 \mid \text{data}) & \hat{\delta}_f < \hat{\alpha}_f \\ P(\delta_f + \alpha_f < 0 \mid \text{data}) & \hat{\delta}_f < -\hat{\alpha}_f \end{cases}$$

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baySeq

- ▶ Estimate main effects $\mu_{f,t}$ using edgeR.
- ▶ Calculate the posterior probability that each feature satisfies:

Model	Constraint
M_1	All $\mu_{f,t}$'s equal
M_2	$\mu_{f,1} = \mu_{f,2}$
M_3	$\mu_{f,1} = \mu_{f,3}$
M_4	$\mu_{f,2} = \mu_{f,3}$
M_5	All $\mu_{f,t}$'s distinct

- ▶ Final posterior probabilities of heterosis:

$$p_{f,\text{baySeq}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,3} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \text{ or} \\ & \hat{\mu}_{f,2} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,3} \leq \hat{\mu}_{f,1} \\ P(M_2 \mid \text{data}) + & \\ P(M_5 \mid \text{data}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Calculating false positive rate (FPR) and true positive rate (TPR)

- ▶ N_{true} heterosis features, N_{false} null features.
- ▶ Results of testing each feature for heterosis (25000 columns here):

rank	0.802	0.935	0.539	0.001	...	0.500	0.603
truth	0	0	1	1	...	1	0

- ▶ Sort table by p-value (or other binary classifier)

rank	0.000	0.001	0.005	0.006	...	0.901	1.000
truth	1	1	0	1	...	0	0

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Calculating false positive rate (FPR) and true positive rate (TPR)

- ▶ In practice, we would declare the lowest-p-value features to have heterosis.

rank	0.000	0.001	0.005	0.006	...	0.901	1.000
truth	1	1	0	1	...	0	0

- ▶ With 2 heterosis genes and 1 null gene,

$$FPR = \frac{1}{N_{false}} \quad TPR = \frac{2}{N_{true}}$$

- ▶ Repeat for multiple cutoffs to get multiple (FPR, TPR) pairs.

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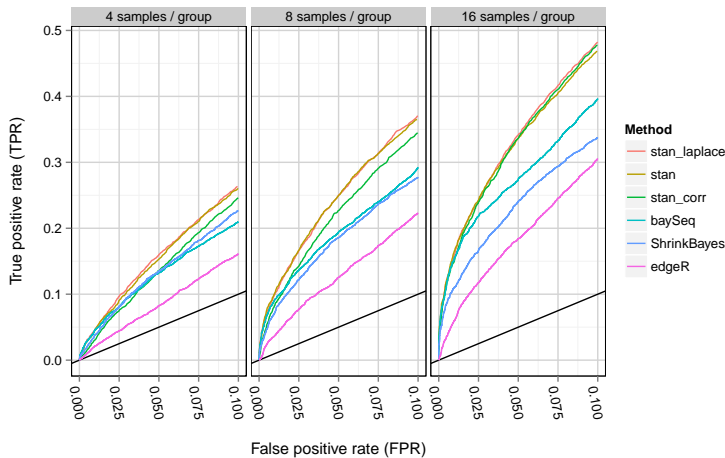
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Example ROC curves



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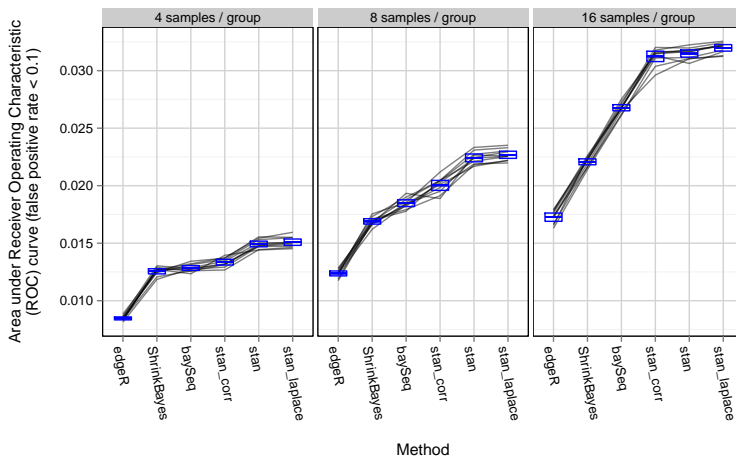
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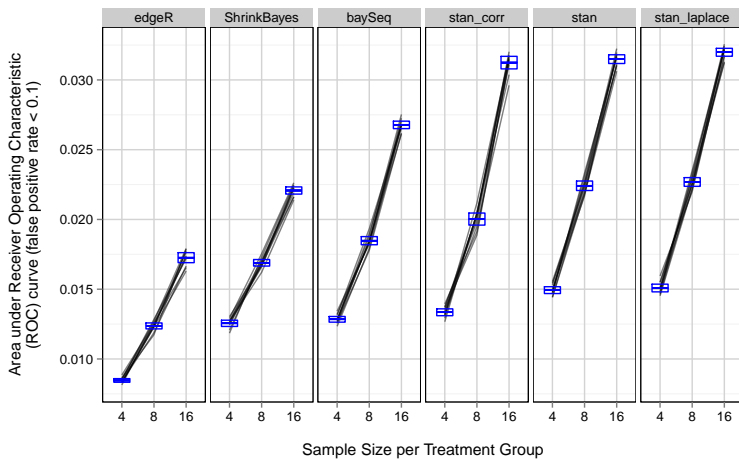
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