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# A Fully Bayesian Model for RNA-seq Data

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Let  $y_{g,n}$  be the expression level of gene  $g$  ( $g = 1, \dots, G$ ) in library  $n$  ( $n = 1, \dots, N$ ). Let  $\mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g)$  be the function given by:

$$\mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g) = \begin{cases} \phi_g - \alpha_g & \text{library } n \text{ is in treatment group 1} \\ \phi_g + \delta_g & \text{library } n \text{ is in treatment group 2} \\ \phi_g + \alpha_g & \text{library } n \text{ is in treatment group 3} \end{cases}$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} y_{g,n} &\sim \text{Poisson}(\exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \\ c_n &\sim \text{N}(0, \sigma_c^2) \\ \sigma_c &\sim \text{U}(0, \sigma_{c0}) \\ \varepsilon_{g,n} &\sim \text{N}(0, \sigma_g^2) \\ \sigma_g^2 &\sim \text{Inv-Gamma}\left(\text{shape} = \frac{d \cdot \tau^2}{2}, \text{rate} = \frac{d}{2}\right) \\ d &\sim \text{U}(0, d_0) \\ \tau^2 &\sim \text{Gamma}(\text{shape} = a_\tau, \text{rate} = b_\tau) \\ \phi_g &\sim \text{N}(\theta_\phi, \sigma_\phi^2) \\ \theta_\phi &\sim \text{N}(0, \gamma_\phi^2) \\ \sigma_\phi &\sim \text{U}(0, \sigma_{\phi 0}) \\ \alpha_g &\sim \pi_\alpha \text{I}(\alpha_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\alpha) \text{I}(\alpha_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\theta_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha^2) \\ \theta_\alpha &\sim \text{N}(0, \gamma_\alpha^2) \\ \sigma_\alpha &\sim \text{U}(0, \sigma_{\alpha 0}) \\ \pi_\alpha &\sim \text{Beta}(a_\alpha, b_\alpha) \\ \delta_g &\sim \pi_\delta \text{I}(\delta_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\delta) \text{I}(\delta_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\theta_\delta, \sigma_\delta^2) \\ \theta_\delta &\sim \text{N}(0, \gamma_\delta^2) \\ \sigma_\delta &\sim \text{U}(0, \sigma_{\delta 0}) \\ \pi_\delta &\sim \text{Beta}(a_\delta, b_\delta) \end{aligned}$$

where:

- Independence is implied unless otherwise specified.
- The parameters to the left of the “ $\sim$ ” are implicitly conditioned on the parameters to the right.

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This gives us the (unsimplified) full conditional posteriors below, where  $k(n)$  is the treatment group of library  $n$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
p(c_n | \dots) &= \prod_{g=1}^G \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \cdot \text{N}(c_n | 0, \sigma_c^2) \\
p(\sigma_c | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{g=1}^G \text{N}(c_n | 0, \sigma_c^2) \cdot \text{U}(\sigma_c | 0, \sigma_{c0}) \\
p(\varepsilon_{g,n} | \dots) &= \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \cdot \text{N}(\varepsilon_{g,n} | 0, \sigma_g^2) \\
p(\sigma_g^2 | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \text{N}(\varepsilon_{g,n} | 0, \sigma_g^2) \cdot \text{Inv-Gamma}\left(\sigma_g^2 | \text{shape} = \frac{d \cdot \tau^2}{2}, \text{rate} = \frac{d}{2}\right) \\
p(d | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{g=1}^G \text{Inv-Gamma}\left(\sigma_g^2 | \text{shape} = \frac{d \cdot \tau^2}{2}, \text{rate} = \frac{d}{2}\right) \cdot \text{U}(d | 0, d_0) \\
p(\tau^2 | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{g=1}^G \text{Inv-Gamma}\left(\sigma_g^2 | \text{shape} = \frac{d \cdot \tau^2}{2}, \text{rate} = \frac{d}{2}\right) \cdot \text{Gamma}(\text{shape} = a_\tau, \text{rate} = b_\tau) \\
p(\phi_g | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \cdot \text{N}(\phi_g | \theta_\phi, \sigma_\phi^2) \\
p(\theta_\phi | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{g=1}^G \text{N}(\phi_g | \theta_\phi, \sigma_\phi^2) \cdot \text{N}(\theta_\phi | 0, \gamma_\phi^2) \\
p(\sigma_\phi | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{g=1}^G \text{N}(\phi_g | \theta_\phi, \sigma_\phi^2) \cdot \text{U}(\sigma_\phi | 0, \sigma_{\phi 0}) \\
p(\alpha_g | \dots) &= \prod_{k(n) \neq 2} \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \\
&\quad \times (\pi_\alpha \text{I}(\alpha_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\alpha) \text{I}(\alpha_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\alpha_g | \theta_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha^2)) \\
p(\theta_\alpha | \dots) &= \prod_{k(n) \neq 2} \prod_{g=1}^G (\pi_\alpha \text{I}(\alpha_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\alpha) \text{I}(\alpha_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\alpha_g | \theta_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha^2)) \cdot \text{N}(\theta_\alpha | 0, \gamma_\alpha^2) \\
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p(\pi_\alpha | \dots) &= \prod_{k(n) \neq 2} \prod_{g=1}^G (\pi_\alpha \text{I}(\alpha_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\alpha) \text{I}(\alpha_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\alpha_g | \theta_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha^2)) \cdot \text{Beta}(\pi_\alpha | a_\alpha, b_\alpha) \\
p(\delta_g | \dots) &= \prod_{k(n)=2} \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \delta_g, \delta_g))) \\
&\quad \times (\pi_\delta \text{I}(\delta_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\delta) \text{I}(\delta_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\delta_g | \theta_\delta, \sigma_\delta^2)) \\
p(\theta_\delta | \dots) &= \prod_{k(n)=2} \prod_{g=1}^G (\pi_\delta \text{I}(\delta_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\delta) \text{I}(\delta_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\delta_g | \theta_\delta, \sigma_\delta^2)) \cdot \text{N}(\theta_\delta | 0, \gamma_\delta^2) \\
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\end{aligned}$$

Simplified, the full conditionals are:

$$\begin{aligned}
p(c_n | \dots) &= \prod_{g=1}^G \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \cdot \text{N}(c_n | 0, \sigma_c^2) \\
p\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_c^2} | \dots\right) &= \text{Gamma}\left(\text{shape} = 1, \text{rate} = \frac{G}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N c_n^2\right) \cdot \text{I}(0 < \sigma_c < \sigma_{c0}) \\
p(\varepsilon_{g,n} | \dots) &= \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \cdot \text{N}(\varepsilon_{g,n} | 0, \sigma_g^2) \\
p(\sigma_g^2 | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \text{N}(\varepsilon_{g,n} | 0, \sigma_g^2) \cdot \text{Inv-Gamma}\left(\sigma_g^2 | \text{shape} = \frac{d \cdot \tau^2}{2}, \text{rate} = \frac{d}{2}\right) \\
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p(\phi_g | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \cdot \text{N}(\phi_g | \theta_\phi, \sigma_\phi^2) \\
p(\theta_\phi | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{g=1}^G \text{N}(\phi_g | \theta_\phi, \sigma_\phi^2) \cdot \text{N}(\theta_\phi | 0, \gamma_\phi^2) \\
p(\sigma_\phi | \dots) &= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{g=1}^G \text{N}(\phi_g | \theta_\phi, \sigma_\phi^2) \cdot \text{U}(\sigma_\phi | 0, \sigma_{\phi 0}) \\
p(\alpha_g | \dots) &= \prod_{k(n) \neq 2} \text{Poisson}(y_{g,n} | \exp(c_n + \varepsilon_{g,n} + \mu(n, \phi_g, \alpha_g, \delta_g))) \\
&\quad \times (\pi_\alpha \text{I}(\alpha_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\alpha) \text{I}(\alpha_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\alpha_g | \theta_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha^2)) \\
p(\theta_\alpha | \dots) &= \prod_{k(n) \neq 2} \prod_{g=1}^G (\pi_\alpha \text{I}(\alpha_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\alpha) \text{I}(\alpha_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\alpha_g | \theta_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha^2)) \cdot \text{N}(\theta_\alpha | 0, \gamma_\alpha^2) \\
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&\quad \times (\pi_\delta \text{I}(\delta_g = 0) + (1 - \pi_\delta) \text{I}(\delta_g \neq 0) \text{N}(\delta_g | \theta_\delta, \sigma_\delta^2)) \\
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