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Data-adaptive SNP-set-based Association Tests of Longitudinal Traits

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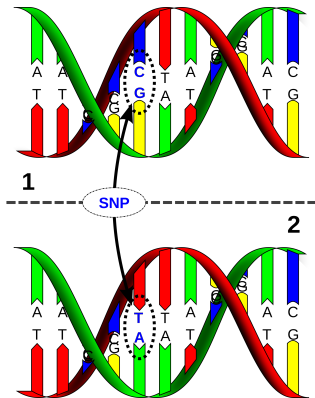
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Introduction to GWAS

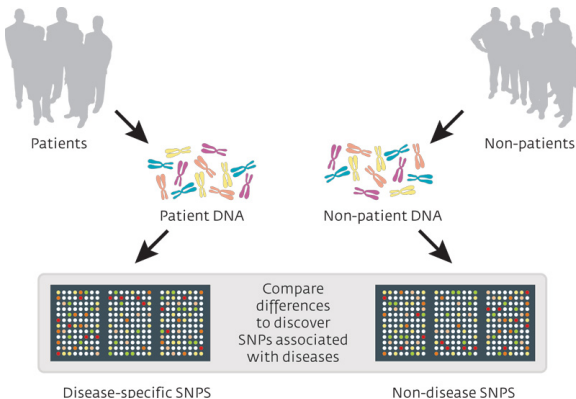
What is SNP?



A Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) is a DNA sequence variation occurring commonly within a population (e.g. 1%) in which a single nucleotide A, T, C or G in the genome (or other shared sequence) differs between members of a biological species or paired chromosomes.

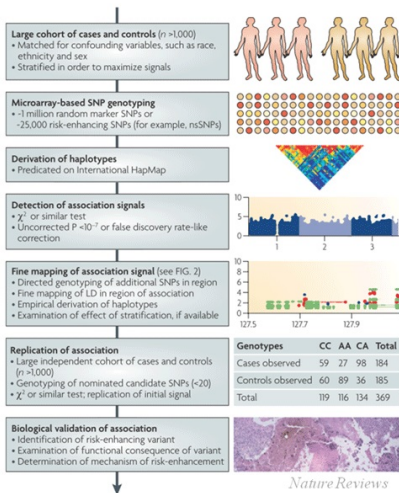
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A simple flowchart



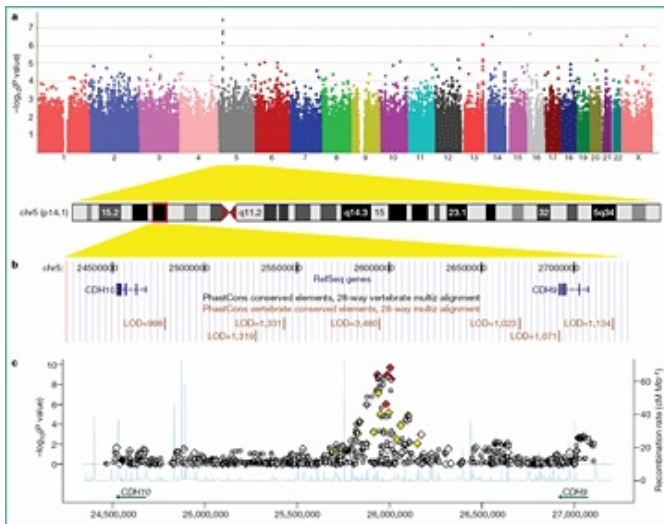
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A more detailed flowchart



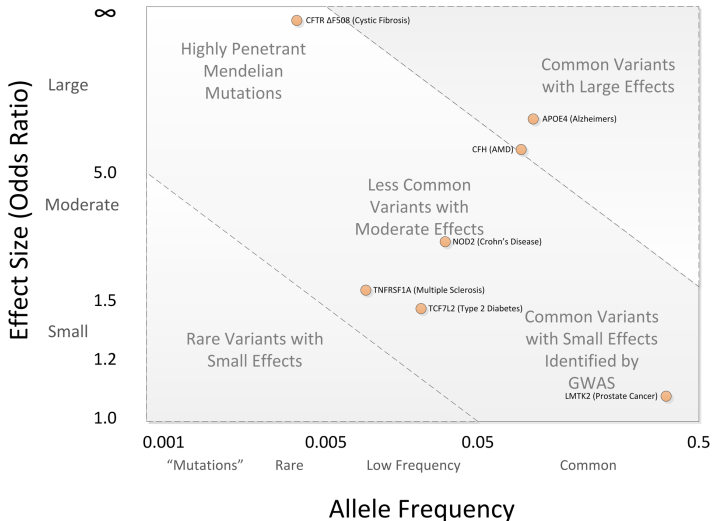
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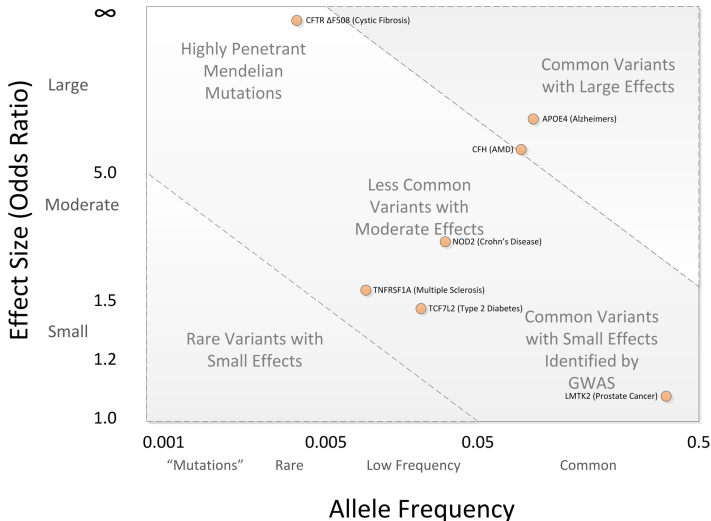
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Common variants and rare variants



Gene-based association test

Common variants and rare variants



Global test

The ANOVA table

Source of variation	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom
Regression	$SSR(x_1)$	1
	$SSR(x_2 x_1)$	1
	\vdots	\vdots
	$SSR(x_k x_{k-1}, x_{k-2}, \dots, x_1)$	1
	SSR	k
Error	SSE	$n-(k+1)$
Total	SST	n-1

where

$$SSR = SSR(x_1) + SSR(x_2|x_1) + \dots + SSR(x_k|x_{k-1}, x_{k-2}, \dots, x_1) = \hat{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{y} - n\bar{y}^2$$

$$SSE = \mathbf{y}' \mathbf{y} - \hat{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{y} \text{ (for the full model)}$$

$$SST = \mathbf{y}' \mathbf{y} - n\bar{y}^2 \text{ (stays the same for all models)}$$

Global test

Under the null hypothesis, $SSR/\sigma^2 \sim \chi_k^2$ and $SSE/\sigma^2 \sim \chi_{n-k-1}^2$ are independent. Therefore we have

$$TS = \frac{SSR/k}{SSE/(n-k-1)} \sim F_{k,n-k-1}$$

$$p\text{-value} = Pr(F_{k,n-k-1} > TS).$$

Global test

Example:

$$mgp_i = \beta_0 + hp_i\beta_1 + wt_i\beta_2 + \varepsilon_i$$

$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$, H_1 : at least one $\beta \neq 0$

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
hp	1	678.37	678.37	100.86	0.0000
wt	1	252.63	252.63	37.56	0.0000
Residuals	29	195.05	6.73		

$$TS = \frac{(678.37 + 252.63)/2}{195.05/29} = 69.21 > F_{2,29,0.95} = 3.33$$

Thus, we reject the null at 0.05 significance level and conclude that at least one β_1 and β_2 is not equal to 0.

Global test

Example cont.

The overall F statistic is also available from the output of `summary()`

```
> summary(fit.all)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = mpg ~ hp + wt, data = mtcars)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-3.941	-1.600	-0.182	1.050	5.854

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	37.22727	1.59879	23.285	< 2e-16 ***
hp	-0.03177	0.00903	-3.519	0.00145 **
wt	-3.87783	0.63273	-6.129	1.12e-06 ***

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Residual standard error: 2.593 on 29 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.8268, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8148

F-statistic: 69.21 on 2 and 29 DF, p-value: 9.109e-12

Testing of single β_j

Once we have determined that at least one of the regressors is important, a natural next question might be which one(s)?

Important considerations:

- Is the increase in the regression sums of squares sufficient to warrant an additional predictor in the model?
- Additional predictors will increase the variance of \hat{y} - include only predictors that explain the response (note: we may not know this through hypothesis testing as confounders may not test significant but would still be necessary in the regression model).
- Adding an unimportant predictor may increase the residual mean square thereby reducing the usefulness of the model.

Testing of single β_j

$$y_i = \beta_0 + x_{i1}\beta_1 + \cdots + x_{ij}\beta_j + \cdots + x_{ik}\beta_k + \varepsilon_i$$

- Question to answer: does one particular variable of interest significantly affect the prediction of \mathbf{y} when the other independent variables presented in the model?
- $H_0 : \beta_j = 0, H_1 : \beta_k \neq 0$
- $TS = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j}{\hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \sim t_{n-k-1}$, reject H_0 if $|TS| > t_{n-k-1, 1-\alpha/2}$
- This is a **partial test** because $\hat{\beta}_j$ depends on all of the other predictors x_i , for $i \neq j$, that are in the model. Thus, this is a test of the contribution of x_j given other predictors in the model.

Testing of single β_j

Example cont.:

$$mgp_i = \beta_0 + hp_i\beta_1 + wt_i\beta_2 + \varepsilon_i$$

$$H_0 : \beta_2 = 0, H_1 : \beta_2 \neq 0$$

From the summary of $\text{lm } \hat{\beta}_2 = -3.88$, the variance and covariance matrix of the parameter estimates is

```
> vcov(fit.all)
              (Intercept)              hp              wt
(Intercept) 2.5561215917 1.484701e-04 -0.73594515
hp          0.0001484701 8.153566e-05 -0.00376369
wt          -0.7359451464 -3.763690e-03 0.40035167
```

$$TS = \frac{-3.88}{\sqrt{0.40}} = -6.13 < t_{29,0.025} = -2.05$$

Thus, we reject the null and conclude that $\beta_2 \neq 0$.

Testing of a subset of β

$$y_i = \beta_0 + x_{i1}\beta_1 + \cdots + x_{ij}\beta_j + \cdots + x_{ip}\beta_p + \cdots + x_{ik}\beta_k + \varepsilon_i$$

- Often it is of interest to determine whether a group of predictors contribute to predicting y given another predictor or group of predictors that are in the model.
- $H_0 : \beta_j = \cdots = \beta_p = 0$, $H_1 : \beta_l \neq 0$ for at least one l , $l = j, \cdots, p$

Testing of a subset of β

Partition the vector of regression coefficient and \mathbf{X} matrix as

$$\beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{X}_1 | \mathbf{X}_2]$$

Hypotheses of interest: $H_0 : \beta_2 = 0$ v.s. $H_1 : \beta_2 \neq 0$

The model can be written as $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}_1\beta_1 + \mathbf{X}_2\beta_2 + \varepsilon$

$$SSR(\mathbf{X}) = \hat{\beta}'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} \text{ (} k+1 \text{ degrees of freedom)}$$

$$MSE = \frac{\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{y} - \hat{\beta}'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}}{n - k - 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} SSR(\mathbf{X}_2|\mathbf{X}_1) &= SSR(\mathbf{X}) - SSR(\mathbf{X}_1) \\ &= SSE(reduced) - SSE(full) \text{ (} r \text{ degrees of freedom)} \end{aligned}$$

Under H_0

$$TS = \frac{SSR(\mathbf{X}_2|\mathbf{X}_1)/r}{MSE} \sim F_{r, n-k-1}$$

Testing of a subset of β

Example cont.

$$mgp_i = \beta_0 + disp_i\beta_1 + hp_i\beta_2 + qsec_i\beta_3 + wt_i\beta_4 + \varepsilon_i$$

```
fit.sub<-lm(mpg~disp+hp+qsec+wt,data=mtcars)
> summary(fit.sub)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = mpg ~ disp + hp + qsec + wt, data = mtcars)
```

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-3.8664	-1.5819	-0.3788	1.1712	5.6468

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	27.329638	8.639032	3.164	0.00383 **
disp	0.002666	0.010738	0.248	0.80576
hp	-0.018666	0.015613	-1.196	0.24227
qsec	0.544160	0.466493	1.166	0.25362
wt	-4.609123	1.265851	-3.641	0.00113 **

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Residual standard error: 2.622 on 27 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.8351, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8107

F-statistic: 34.19 on 4 and 27 DF, p-value: 3.311e-10

Testing of a subset of β

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0, H_1 : \beta_j \neq 0, j = 1, 2, 3$$

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
disp	1	808.89	808.89	117.65	0.0000
hp	1	33.67	33.67	4.90	0.0356
qsec	1	6.71	6.71	0.98	0.3321
wt	1	91.15	91.15	13.26	0.0011
Residuals	27	185.64	6.88		

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
wt	1	847.73	847.73	91.38	0.0000
Residuals	30	278.32	9.28		

$$SSR(\text{disp}, \text{hp}, \text{qsec} | \text{wt}) = 278.32 - 185.64 = 92.68$$

$$TS = \frac{92.68/3}{6.88} = 4.49 > F_{3,27,0.95} = 2.96$$

Thus we reject the null and conclude that *disp*, *hp* and *qsec* are jointly significant.

Test of the contrast

Many functions in R can be used to test the contrasts.

function	package	description
fit.contrast	{gmodels}	Compute and test arbitrary contrasts for regression objects
contrast.lm	{contrast}	computes one or more contrasts of the estimated regression coefficients
glht	{multcomp}	generalized linear hypothesis test
linear.hypothesis	{car}	Generic function for testing a linear hypothesis

A simple example.

Regression Diagnostics

Frequently used functions provide information used with model diagnostics

<code>fitted.values()</code>	Returns fitted values
<code>residuals()</code>	Returns residuals
<code>rstandard()</code>	Standardized residuals, variance one; residual standardized using overall error variance (9.25)
<code>rstudent()</code>	Studentized residuals, variance one; residual standardized using leave-one-out measure of the error variance (9.26)
<code>qqnorm()</code>	Normal quantile plot
<code>qqline()</code>	Add a line to the normal quantile plot
<code>plot.lm()</code>	Given a <code>lm</code> object it produces six diagnostic plots, selected using the 'which' argument; default is plots 1-3 and 5 <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Residual versus fitted values2. Normal quantile-quantile plot3. $\sqrt{ \text{Standardized residuals} }$ versus fitted values4. Cook's distance versus row labels5. Standardized residuals versus leverage along with contours of Cook's distance

<code>plot.lm()</code>	6. Cook's distance versus leverage/(1-leverage) with $\sqrt{ \text{Standardized residuals} }$ contours
<code>dffits()</code>	Return DFFITS
<code>dfbeta()</code>	Return DFBETAS
<code>covratio()</code>	Return covariance ratio; vector whose i th element is the ratio of the determinants of the estimated covariance matrix with and without data point i
<code>cooks.distance()</code>	Returns Cook's distance
<code>hatvalues()</code>	Diagonal of the hat matrix
<code>influence.measures()</code>	Returns the previous five measure of influence and flags influential points
<code>lm.influence()</code>	Returns four measures of influence:
<code>hat</code>	Diagonal of the hat matrix, measure of leverage
<code>coefficients</code>	Matrix, whose i th row contains the change in the estimated coefficients when the i th case is removed
<code>sigma</code>	Vector, whose i th element contains the estimated of the residual standard error when the i th case is removed
<code>wt.res</code>	Vector of weighted residuals or raw residuals if weights are not set.

Regression Diagnostics

Example:

```
fit<-lm(mpg~wt,data=mtcars)
#influential points are labeled
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(fit) #returns four diagnostics plot (1-3 and 5)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(fit,which=1:6) #returns all six diagnostic plots
```

```
par(ask=T)
plot(residuals(fit),fitted.values(fit))
qqnorm(residuals(fit));qqline(residuals(fit))
plot(cooks.distance(fit),rownames(fit),type="h")
```

```
#influence measures
influence.measures(fit)
```

```
#extract influential points, uses $is.inf
inf.temp<-influence.measures(fit)
inf.pts<-which(apply(inf.temp$is.inf,1,any))
mtcars[inf.pts,]
```

```
#Influence measures
lm.influence(fit)
```


Regression Diagnostics

```
#Extract points that cause the greatest change in the estimates
lm.inf.coef<-lm.influence(fit)$coefficients
lm.inf.pts<-apply(lm.inf.coef[,2,drop=F],2,
+ FUN=function(x)which.max(abs(x)))

lm.inf.coef[lm.inf.pts,]
#this gives the same results with the diagnostic plots

#Get the five points that cause the greatest
#change in the estimates
lm.inf.pts.top5<-apply(lm.inf.coef,2,
+ FUN=function(x)names(rev(sort(abs(x))))[1:5]))
lm.inf.pts.top5
```

Sums of Squares

● Type I

- ▶ Also called "sequential" sum of squares
- ▶ Can be viewed as the reduction in SSE obtained by adding additional term to a fit that already includes the terms listed before it.
- ▶ Pros: a complete decomposition of the predicted SS for the whole model; Preferable when some factors should be taken out before other factors.
- ▶ Cons: Lack of invariance to order of entry into the model; not appropriate for factorial designs.

● Type II

- ▶ The reduction in SSE due to adding the term to the model after all other terms except those that contain it (interaction terms).
- ▶ Pros: Appropriate for model building and natural choice for regression; Most powerful when no interaction; Invariant to the order when the factors are entered to the model.
- ▶ Cons: Not appropriate for factorial designs

● Type III

- ▶ Effect of each variable is evaluated after all other factors have been accounted for.
- ▶ Pros: Appropriate for unbalanced data;
- ▶ Cons: Testing main effects when interactions presence; not appropriate with missing cells.

LRT and F test

The F-test of the null hypothesis $H_0 : \mathbf{C}\beta = \mathbf{t}$ is a likelihood ratio test (LRT) because the F-ratio is a monotone transformation of the likelihood ratio λ .

Proof:

The log-likelihood is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\log L(\beta, \sigma^2) &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta) \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} SSE(\mathbf{X}) \\ \lambda = -2 \log \frac{\max_{H_0} L(\beta)}{\max_{H_1 \cup H_0} L(\beta)} &= -2 \log \frac{L(\hat{\beta}_1)}{L(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2)} \\ &= \frac{SSE(\mathbf{X}_1) - SSE(\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2)}{\sigma^2},\end{aligned}$$

for a fixed value of σ^2 .

Since σ^2 is unknown, we can use $\hat{\sigma}_{MLE}^2 = SSE(\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2)/n$, then

$$F = C * \lambda = \frac{[SSE(\mathbf{X}_1) - SSE(\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2)]/r}{SSE(\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2)/(n - k - 1)} \sim F_{r, n-k-1},$$

where $C = \frac{n-k-1}{nr}$.

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