Hierarchical Clustering

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0.1 Hierarchical Clustering

0.2 Importing packages

```
# Set `python` built-in pseudo-random generator at a fixed value
import random
random.seed(seed_value)

# Set `numpy` pseudo-random generator at a fixed value
import numpy as np
np.random.seed(seed_value)

seed = np.random.RandomState(123)
# do not call numpy.random.rand() but seed.rand()

# 3. Set environment
os.urandom(seed_value)
```

0.3 Defining Functions

• Defining function to be used in this script

```
# Reading Files
      #-----
      def read_files(df_file, skip_rows =0):
         Function that read the file as dataframe
         Extract the geneSymbol column and the Log Fold Change
          Input: User need to provide the path for file
          Output = dataframes
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         df_file = pd.read_csv(df_file, delimiter="\t", skiprows= skip_rows,)
          # Removing columns that are not GeneSymbol or logFC
         list_dropping =[]
         for column in df_file.columns:
             if not re.search('^GeneSymbol|^logFC', column):
                #print (column)
                list_dropping.append(column)
         df_file.drop(columns = list_dropping, inplace=True)
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0.3.1 Hierarchical clustering

- Agglomerative or bottom-up approach.
- Data points are clustered using a bottom-up approach starting with individual data points as its own cluster
- and then combine clusters based on some similarity measure.

Hierarchical Clustering algorithm

- 1. The number of clusters at the start will be K, while K is an integer representing the number of data points. (At the start, each data point as one cluster).
- 2. Form a cluster by joining the two closest data points resulting in K-1 clusters. (The algorithm starts by finding the two points that are closest to each other on the basis of Euclidean distance for instance).
- 3. Form more clusters by joining the two closest clusters resulting in K-2 clusters. (The next step is to join the cluster formed by joining two points to the next nearest cluster or point which in turn results in another cluster).
- 4. Repeat the above three steps until one big cluster is formed.

Dendogram -cluster size - Once one big cluster is formed, we can leverage the results from the dendrogram to approximate the number of clusters. - We cut the dendrogram tree with a horizontal line at a height where the line can traverse the maximum distance up and down without intersecting the merging point. The number of vertical lines this newly created horizontal line passes is equal to number of clusters. - Basically the horizontal line is a threshold, which defines the minimum distance required to be a separate cluster. If we draw a line further down, the threshold required to be a new cluster will be decreased and more clusters will be formed.

Cluster size. **Altrnative process** You can also consider plots like Silhouette plot, elbow plot, or some numerical measures such as Dunn's index, Hubert's gamma, etc.. which shows the variation of error with the number of clusters (k), and you choose the value of k where the error is smallest.

```
# Basic question: What genes are express in a specific population.
# We're going to perform hierarchical clustering on both
# the genes (rows) and samples (columns)
## Process data for clustering
def preprocess clustering(df file, column = 'GeneSymbol'):
    # Changing the index from the default numerical values
    # to the GeneSymbol column (first column)
    df_file = df_file.set_index(column)
    # Getting a list of the population columns names (Gene Symbol)
    leaf_labels = list(df_file.index)
    return df_file, leaf_labels
def dendrogrammer(df_file):
    # Function that displays a dendrogram
    # input: df = dataframe with the gene names as index.
    # leaf_lables: labels or column names of the dataframe
    # that are going to be the leaves for the dendogram.
    # output: array of dendogram values
    # preprocessing dataset
    df_file, leaf_labels = preprocess_clustering(df_file,
                                                  column = 'GeneSymbol' )
    ## Getting the numerical data from the dataframe in a numpy array.
    data_array = df_file.values
    ## Perform hierarchical clustering
    # Scipys clustering algorithm clusters the rows.
    # Linkage methods could be single, average, complete, median,
    # centroid, weighted, or ward
    # Distance metrics (e.g., 'euclidean', cityblockk, yule, hamming,
    # dice, kulsinski, correlation)
    # The metric is set to "euclidean" (distance between the datapoints).
    # Finally linkage parameter is set to "ward", which minimizes the variant
    # between the clusters.
    dendogram_values = linkage(data_array , method='ward', metric='euclidean')
    ## Distance of the last 4 merges
    print('Distance of the last 4 merges: ')
    dendogram_values[-4:,2]
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def dendrogram plot(dendogram values, leaf labels, truncate mode = None, p =0,
                    contracted=False):
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    Plot dendrogram
    On the x axis you see labels. If you don't specify anything else they
    are the indices of your samples in X.
    On the y axis you see the distances (of the 'ward' method in our case).
    horizontal lines are cluster merges
    vertical lines tell you which clusters/labels were part of merge forming
    that new cluster
    heights of the horizontal lines tell you about the distance that needed
    to be "bridged" to form the new cluster
    color_threshold argument of dendrogram(), which as not specified
    automagically picked a distance cut-off value of 70 % of the final merge
    and then colored the first clusters below that in individual colors.
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
   ax = plt.subplot()
   plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.07, bottom=0.3, right=0.98, top=0.95,
    wspace=0, hspace=0)
   plt.title('Hierarchical Clustering Dendrogram')
   plt.xlabel('GeneSymbol or (cluster size)')
   plt.ylabel('Distance')
    dendrogram(dendogram_values,
               leaf_rotation=90., # rotates the x axis labels
               leaf_font_size=10.,# font size for the x axis labels
               truncate_mode='lastp', # show only the last p merged clusters
               p=12, # show only the last p merged clusters
               show\_contracted= contracted, # to get a distribution impression
               labels=leaf labels)
   plt.show()
   plt.savefig('dendrogram.png')
# Selecting a Distance Cut-Off aka Determining the Number of Clusters
def treshold_dendrogram(*args, **kwargs):
    Determining the number of cluster visually
    Retrieving the distance between clusters
    and the horizontal cut-off line
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max_d = kwargs.pop('max_d', None)
    if max_d and 'color_threshold' not in kwargs:
        kwargs['color_threshold'] = max_d
    annotate_above = kwargs.pop('annotate_above', 0)
    ddata = dendrogram(*args, **kwargs)
    if not kwargs.get('no_plot', False):
        plt.title('Hierarchical Clustering Dendrogram (truncated)')
        plt.xlabel('sample index or (cluster size)')
        plt.ylabel('distance')
        for i, d, c in zip(ddata['icoord'], ddata['dcoord'], ddata['color_list']):
            x = 0.5 * sum(i[1:3])
            y = d[1]
            if y > annotate_above:
                plt.plot(x, y, 'o', c=c)
                plt.annotate("\%.3g" % y, (x, y), xytext=(0, -5),
                             textcoords='offset points',
                             va='top', ha='center')
        if max d:
            plt.axhline(y=max_d, c='k')
    return ddata
# Selecting Number of clusters with the Elbow method:
def elbow_method (K):
    input: K is the dendogram values
    Variant of the "elbow method". It tries to find the clustering step
    where the acceleration of distance growth is the biggest
    (the "strongest elbow" of the blue line graph below,
    which is the highest value of the orange graph below):
   last = K[-10:, 2]
   last rev = last[::-1]
    idxs = np.arange(1, len(last) + 1)
   plt.plot(idxs, last_rev)
   acceleration = np.diff(last, 2) # 2nd derivative of the distances
    acceleration_rev = acceleration[::-1]
   plt.plot(idxs[:-2] + 1, acceleration_rev)
   plt.show()
   k = acceleration_rev.argmax() + 2 #if idx 0 is the max of this we want 2 clusters
   print ("clusters:", k)
   return k
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def retrive_cluster(Z, dataset, k=None, max_d= None):
    '''
    Retrieve the clusters labels per index as a series object and
    it is added to the dataset.
    input: dendogram values and k:number of clusters or max_d:max distance
    '''
    if max_d == None:
        clusters = fcluster(Z, k, criterion='maxclust')
    else:
        clusters = fcluster(Z,k, criterion='distance')

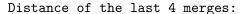
    dataset['cluster'] = clusters
    return dataset
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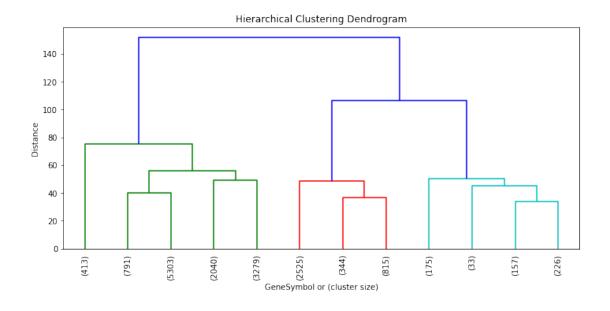
0.3.2 Returning output dataset

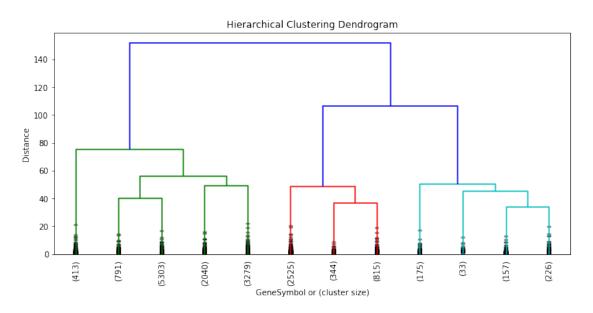
0.4 Runing Main Function

- User input information manually
- Computation and outputs generated

```
logFC_df.head(3)
       #print('Number of observations in the dataset: '+ logFC_df.size)
Out [7]:
            GeneSymbol logFC_GSM2386506_Kupper.txt
        0610007P14Rik
                                      -0.089542
        0610009B22Rik
                                      0.082806
        0610009L18Rik
                                      0.155382
         logFC_GSE47045_GE02R_TRM_v_TN_Carbone.txt
      0
                                     -1.062394
      1
                                     0.423292
       2
                                     -0.023245
         logFC_GSE79858_Slansky_TIL_v_TN.txt logFC_GSE_Anderson_TIL_v_Naive.txt
      0
                                   0.973
                                                                0.833661
                                   1.430
                                                                0.217723
      1
       2
                                  -0.363
                                                                0.254251
In [8]: #-----
       # Computation Hierarchical clustering
       # Getting defualt dendogram to do an initial analysis
      dendogram_values_logFC, leaf_labels_logFC = dendrogrammer(logFC_df)
      dendrogram_plot(dendogram_values_logFC, leaf_labels_logFC)
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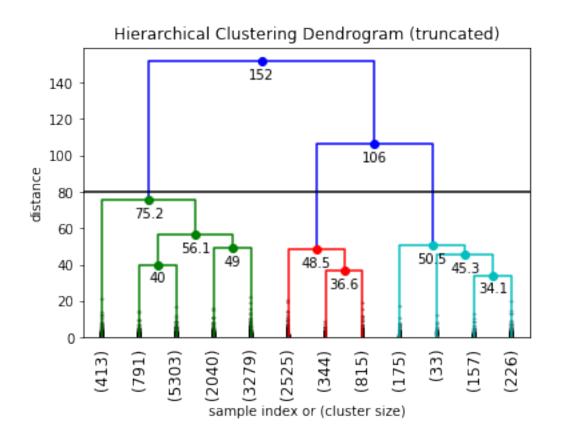
<matplotlib.figure.Figure at 0x10ee066d8>

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# set cut-off to 80
# biggest distance among last p4 is after 75.2

max_d = 80  # max_d as in max_distance
print('We obtain 3 final clusters: ')

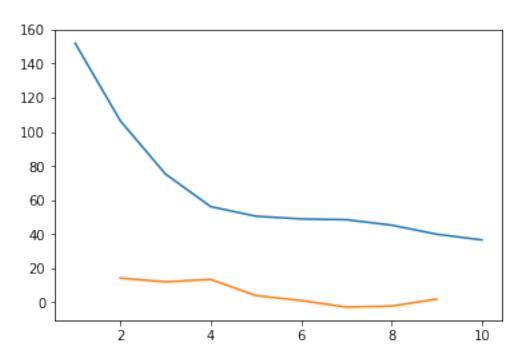
treshold_dendrogram(
    dendogram_values_logFC,
    truncate_mode='lastp',
    p=12,
    leaf_rotation=90.,
    leaf_font_size=12.,
    show_contracted=True,
    annotate_above=10,  # useful in small plots so annotations don't overlap
    max_d=max_d,  # plot a horizontal cut-off line
)
plt.show()
```

We obtain 3 final clusters:



In [12]: ## Elbow Method

k = elbow_method (dendogram_values_logFC)



clusters: 2

In [13]: # Adding a new column to dataset with the clusters labels.

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\mbox{\# provide }k or max_d. If you know the max distance or the number of clusters. 
 k = 3 \mbox{\# number of clusters} 
 \max_d = 80 \mbox{\# max distance}
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retrive_cluster(dendogram_values_logFC, dataset =logFC_df, k=3, max_d= None)
logFC_df.head()

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Out[13]:
                           logFC_GSM2386506_Kupper.txt
               GeneSymbol
        0 0610007P14Rik
                                             -0.089542
                                              0.082806
        1 0610009B22Rik
        2 0610009L18Rik
                                              0.155382
        3 0610009020Rik
                                             -0.258520
        4 0610010B08Rik
                                             -0.374875
            logFC_GSE47045_GE02R_TRM_v_TN_Carbone.txt \
        0
                                            -1.062394
        1
                                             0.423292
```

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2
                                             -0.023245
         3
                                            -0.355711
         4
                                             0.367777
            logFC_GSE79858_Slansky_TIL_v_TN.txt logFC_GSE_Anderson_TIL_v_Naive.txt \
         0
                                       0.973000
                                                                            0.833661
         1
                                       1.430000
                                                                            0.217723
         2
                                      -0.363000
                                                                            0.254251
         3
                                       0.463000
                                                                           -1.758133
                                                                            0.664039
                                       0.944867
         4
            cluster
         0
                  2
         1
         2
                  1
         3
                  1
                  2
In [14]: ### Hierarchical Clustering with Scikit-Learn
         # Call the fit_predict method to predict the name of the clusters
         # that each data point belongs to.
         from sklearn.cluster import AgglomerativeClustering
         # The number of parameters is set to 2 using the n clusters parameter
         # The affinity is set to "euclidean" (distance between the datapoints).
         # Finally linkage parameter is set to "ward", which minimizes
         # the variant between the clusters.
         # data, labels = preprocess_clustering(logFC_df, column = 'GeneSymbol')
         data = logFC_df.iloc[:, 1:].values # from column 1.
         cluster = AgglomerativeClustering(n_clusters=3, affinity='euclidean',
                                           linkage='ward')
         cluster.fit_predict(data)
         print(cluster.labels_)
         # Finally, let's plot our clusters.
         plt.figure(figsize=(10, 7))
         plt.scatter(data[:,0],data[:,1], c=cluster.labels_, cmap='rainbow')
         # # Adding a new column to dataset with th clusters labels.
         # logFC_df['Clusters'] = cluster.labels_
[2 2 0 ... 0 0 2]
Out[14]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x116a85080>
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