Statistics for Human Genetics and Molecular Biology Lecture 23: Processing Microarray Data

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Objectives of Lecture 23

- Structures of Genomic Data
- Quality Assessment

Affymetrix GeneChip® Experiment Protocol



Analysis Flow Chart



Affymetrix Files

- DAT file: Scanned image.
- CEL file: Output fro image analysis software. Contains cell intensity file, probe-level values.
- CDF file: Chip description file. Describes which probes go in which probe-sets and the location of the probes on the chip.

MIAME

MIAME (Minimum Information About a Microarray Experiment)

- ► The raw data for each hybridization (e.g., CEL or GPR files)
- The final processed (normalized) data for the set of hybridizations in the experiment (study) (e.g., the gene expression data matrix used to draw the conclusions from the study)
- The essential sample annotation including experimental factors and their values (e.g., compound and dose in a dose response experiment)
- The experimental design including sample data relationships (e.g., which raw data file relates to which sample, which hybridizations are technical, which are biological replicates)
- Sufficient annotation of the array (e.g., gene identifiers, genomic coordinates, probe oligonucleotide sequences or reference commercial array catalog number)
- The essential laboratory and data processing protocols (e.g., what normalization method has been used to obtain the final processed data)

Microarray Data Structure



Experiment/Sample Information

	Array	Age	Gender	Status
1	Array1.CEL	44	F	cancer
2	Array2.CEL	60	F	cancer
3	Array3.CEL	41	F	cancer
4	Array4.CEL	55	М	cancer

Mock Data

- a data.frame with sample information
- a meta data.frame describing the variables in the data.frame
- Bioconductor uses "AnnotatedDataFrame" to describe phenotype data

```
>fake.data<-matrix(rnorm(8*200), ncol=8)
>sample.info<-data.frame(spl=paste("A", 1:8, sep=""),
stat=rep(c("cancer", "healthy"), each=4))
>meta.info<-data.frame(c("Sample Name"), "Cancer
Status")
>pheno<-new("AnnotatedDataFrame", data=sample.info,
varMetadata=meta.info)
>my.experiment<-new("ExpressionSet", exprs=fake.data,
phenoData=pheno)</pre>
```

Warning

- If you create a real ExpressionSet this way, YOU need to ensure that the column of the expression matrix are in exactly the same order as the rows of the sample information data frame.
- You'll also need to put together something that describe the genes used on the microarrays.

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Affymetrix Data Structure

```
>library(affydata)
>data(Dilution)
>Dilution
AffyBatch object
size of arrays=640x640 features (35221 kb)
cdf=HG_U95Av2 (12625 affyids)
number of samples=4
number of genes=12625
annotation=hgu95av2
notes=
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Look at the Experimental Design

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20A	20	0	1
20B	20	0	2
10A	10	0	1
10B	10	0	2

Quality Assessment

- Image plot
- simpleaffy
- affyPLM

Image Plot

bad.cel



simpleaffy

Assess quality of samples

- average background
- \blacktriangleright % Present: percentage of probe pairs that have PM > MM
- β-actin & GAPDH ratio: Use house-keeping genes to measure the quality of the sample hybridized to the chip

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simpleaffy



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simpleaffy

```
>library("CLL")
>library("simpleaffy")
>data("CLLbatch")
>CLLbatch
>saqc<-qc(CLLbatch)
>plot(saqc)
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affyPLM

- Chip Pseudo-Images
- Relative Log Expression (RLE)
- Normalized Unscaled Standard Error (NUSE)

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RLE values are computed for each gene by comparing the expression value on each array against the median expression value for that gene across all arrays.

$$RLE_{gi} = \hat{\theta}_{gi} - m_g$$

 $\hat{\theta_{gi}} = ext{expression of gene } g ext{ on array } i,$ M_g : median of $\hat{\theta}_{gi}$.

Assuming that most genes are not changing in expression across arrays means ideally most of these RLE values will be near 0.

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RLE



The standard error estimates obtained for each gene on each array from fitPLM are taken and standardized across arrays.

$$\textit{NUSE}_{gi} = rac{\textit{SE}(\hat{ extsf{h}_{gi}})}{\textit{median}(\textit{SE}(\hat{ extsf{h}_{gi}}))}$$

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 \rightarrow the median of NUSE for each array should center around 1.

NUSE



