

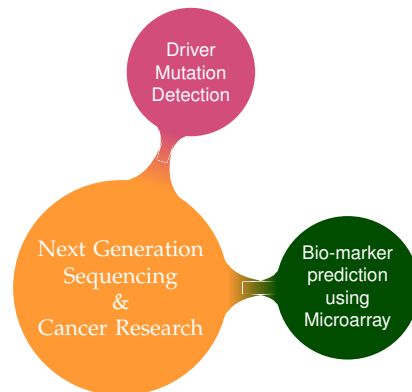


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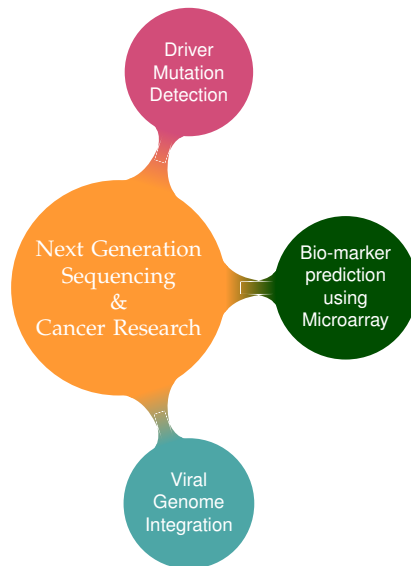


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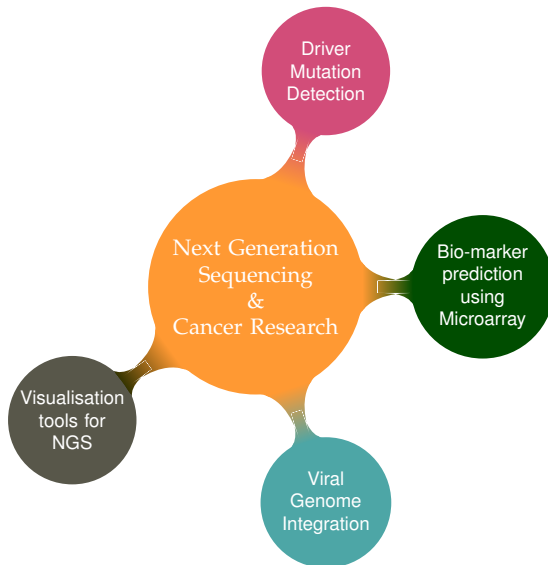




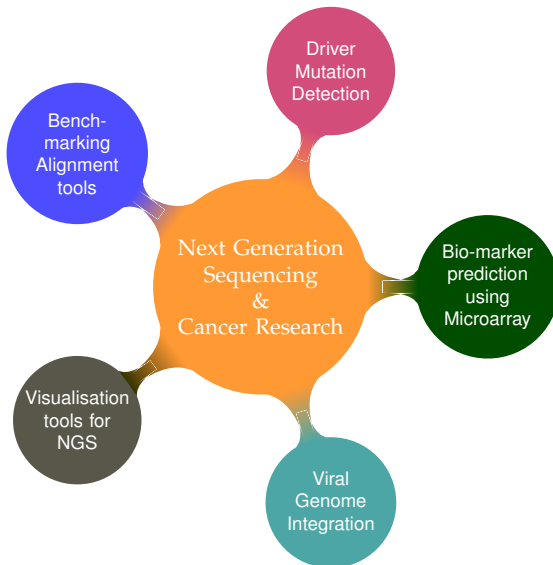
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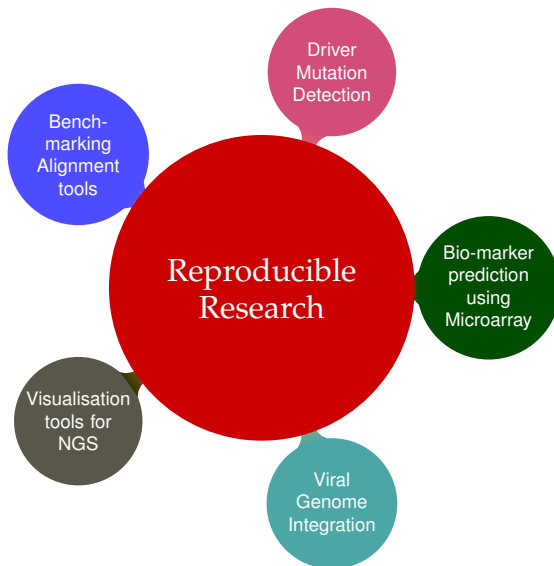
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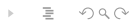
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Heatmap showing the correlation of various methods with the reference method 'condel'. The methods are polyphen, scaledSift, scaledSiftTransfic, scaledpph2Transfic, scaledmass, and scaledmaTransfic. The color scale ranges from 0.00 (blue) to 1.12 (red). The heatmap shows that polyphen has the highest correlation with condel, followed by scaledSift and scaledSiftTransfic. The other methods show lower correlations.

	condel	polyphen	scaledSift	scaledSiftTransfic	scaledpph2Transfic	scaledmass	scaledmaTransfic
0.051	0.416	1	0.882	0.466	0.419	0.548	
0.054	0.35	0.96	0.692	0.433	0.508	0.565	
0.069	0.438	0.96	0.694	0.46	0.648	0.641	
0.067	0.483	0.99	0.774	0.471	0.565	0.597	
0.075	0.477	0.86	0.624	0.47	0.327	0.517	
0.077	0.485	0.96	0.694	0.472	0.317	0.513	
0.061	0.431	0.98	0.731	0.439	0.365	0.478	
0.072	0.446	0.89	0.624	0.44	0.489	0.709	
0.084	0.496	0.9	0.633	0.468	0.521	0.6	
0.068	0.411	0.95	0.663	0.432	0.378	0.646	
0.075	0.477	0.86	0.634	0.459	0.327	0.665	
0.046	0.266	0.95	0.685	0.415	0.705	0.617	
0.066	0.418	0.96	0.689	0.436	0.892	0.657	
0.044	0.299	0.97	0.702	0.381	0.87	0.693	
0.033	0.217	0.97	0.707	0.381	0.889	0.655	
0.035	0.269	0.73	0.585	0.415	0.74	0.667	
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0.047	0.322	0.82	0.607	0.439	0.663	0.621	



## Problem Definition

Given a set of gene expression values of two sets of patients: *normal* and cancer, *predict* a small subset of genes that could be used to differentiate these.



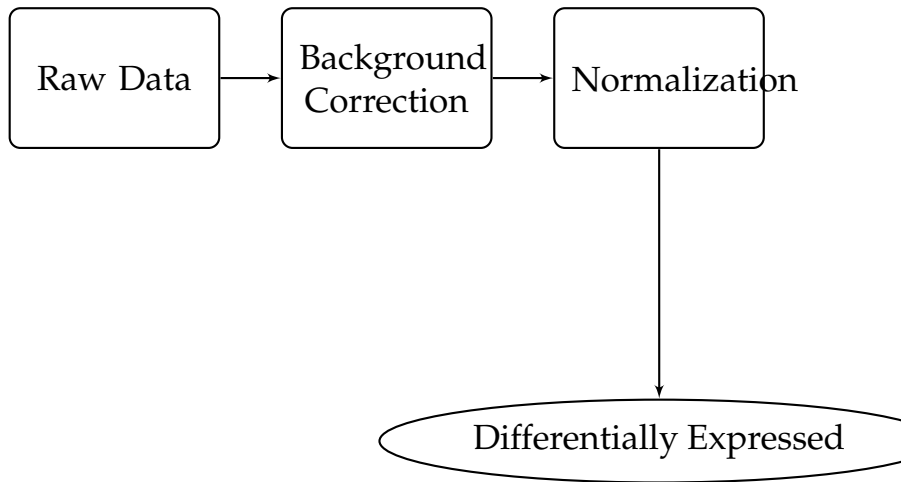




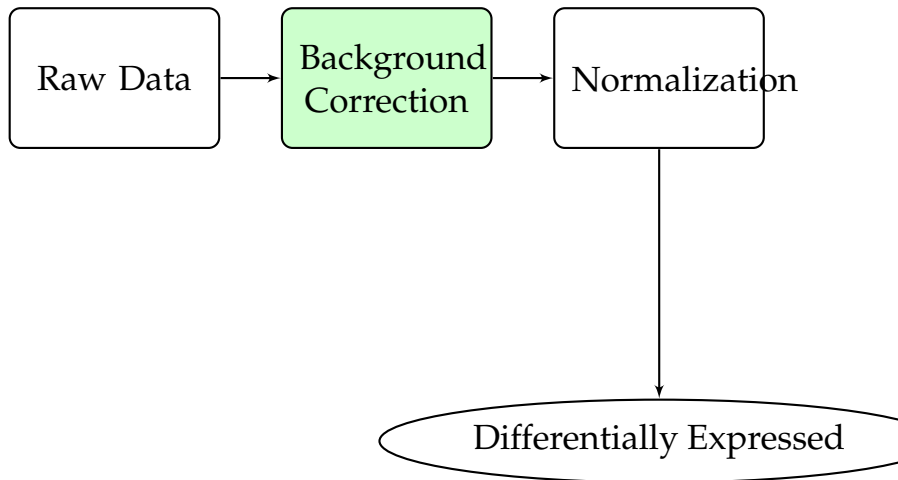




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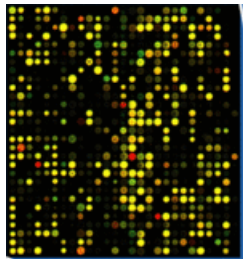
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**Näive approach:** Subtract background intensities from the foreground

**What's not right?:** How does one interpret negative intensities?(Loss of information + bias)[Remember, background is itself measured from the nearby spots and not that one spot directly]

Alternate:

- Model observed [foreground-background] as sum of exponential (true) and normal (random noise)

$$S = B + T + S_b \quad (1)$$

$S = \text{foreground,}$

 $S_b = \text{background}$ 

$T$  = True signal

$B$  = Random noise We model  $S - S_b$  [observed intensity]

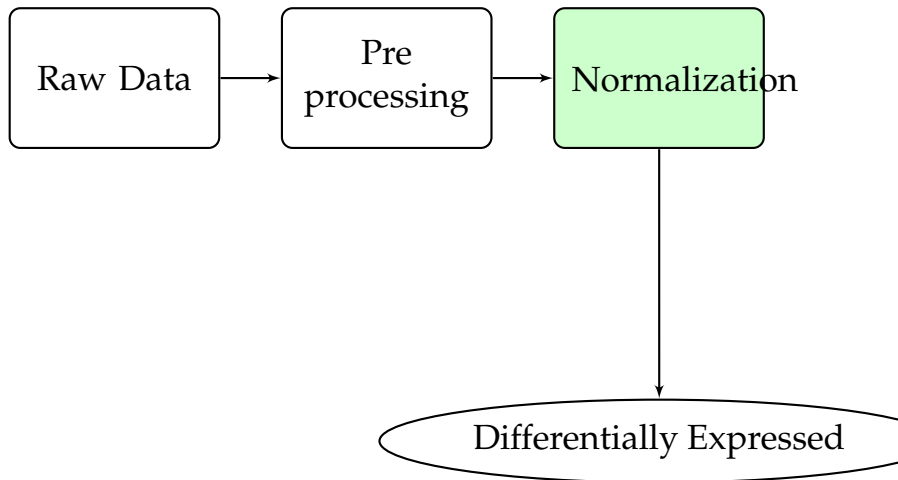
$$T \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \exp \frac{-t}{\alpha} \quad (2)$$

 $t > 0,$ 

$$B \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad (3)$$

$\mu, \sigma, \alpha$  are unknowns  
[Details later]

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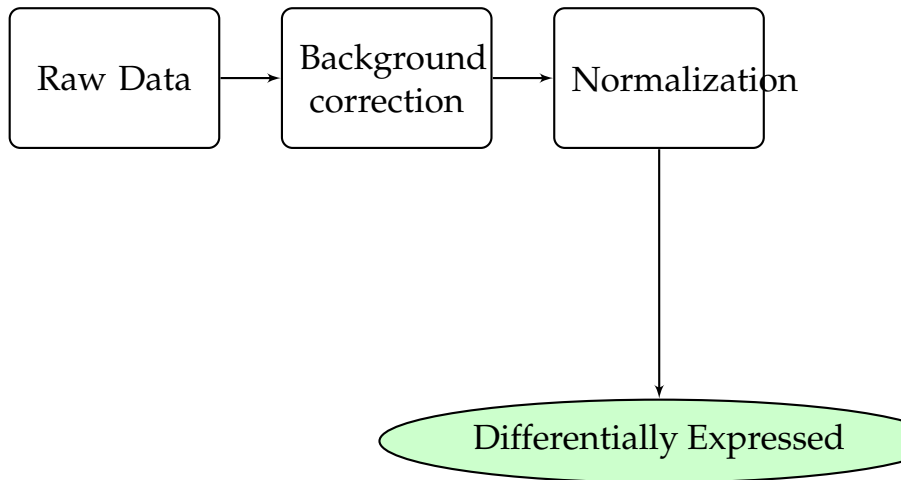


## Quantile Normalization

- ▶ Associate the highest value of dataset  $X$  to highest value of dataset  $Y$ , and so on...
- ▶ A Q-Q plot, thereafter would be a perfect diagonal



# DIFFERENTIAL EXPRESSION



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## Hypothesis

$H_0$ : Gene X is not differentially expressed [Expression levels in the two cohorts are same]

$H_1$ : Gene X is differentially expressed [up/down regulated]

- ▶ This is tested for **multiple** genes. [17000 of them].
- ▶ Any test statistic employed should be able to control for multiple testing. [Details later]

## DIFFERENTIAL EXPRESSION II

We use a modified version of t-test. [Details later]

t-test :

$$z_i = \frac{\bar{x}_i^C - \bar{x}_i^D}{s_i} \quad (4)$$

$$s_i = \sqrt{\frac{sc_i^2}{N_C} + \frac{sd_i^2}{N_D}} \quad (5)$$

where  $sc_i$  and  $sd_i$  are the standard deviations with sample sizes  $N_C$  and  $N_D$  for the control and disease respectively.

This  $z_i$  statistic follows a t-distribution:

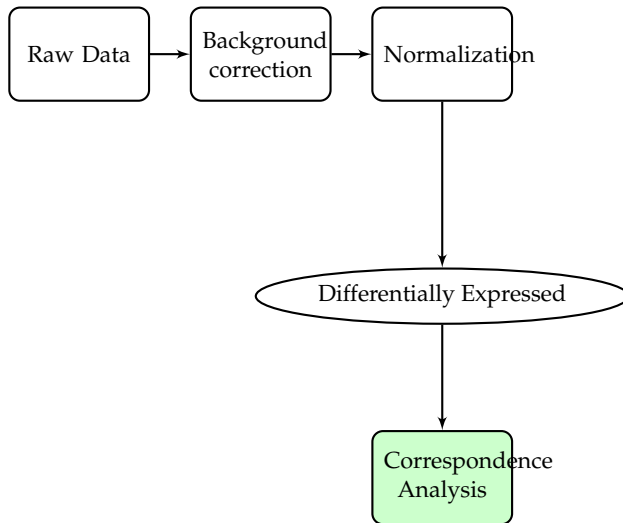
$$z_i \sim t_i \quad (6)$$

The associated p-value is given by:

# DIFFERENTIAL EXPRESSION III

$$p - value = 2 * P(t_i \geq |z_i|) \quad (7)$$

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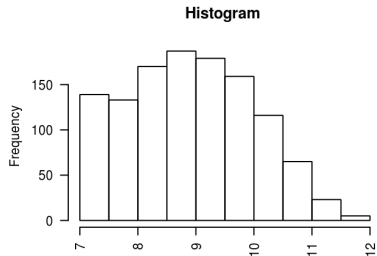
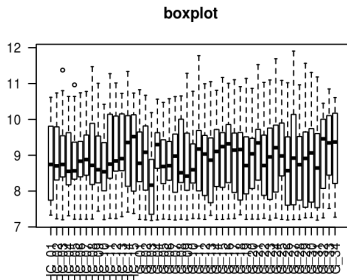
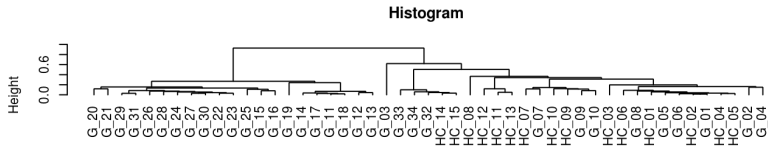
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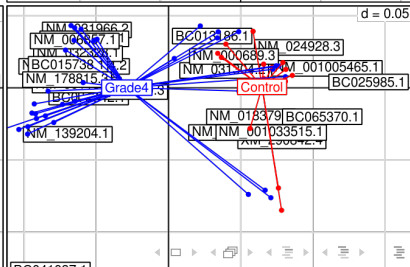
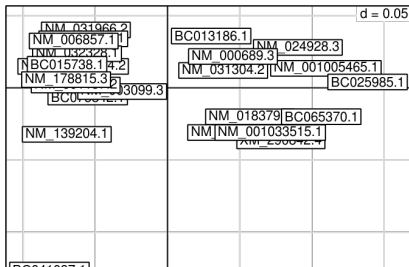
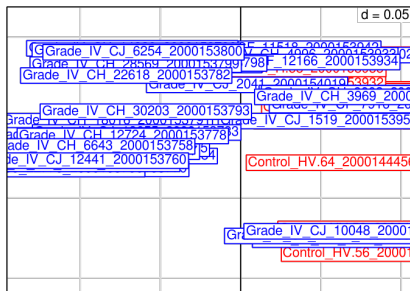
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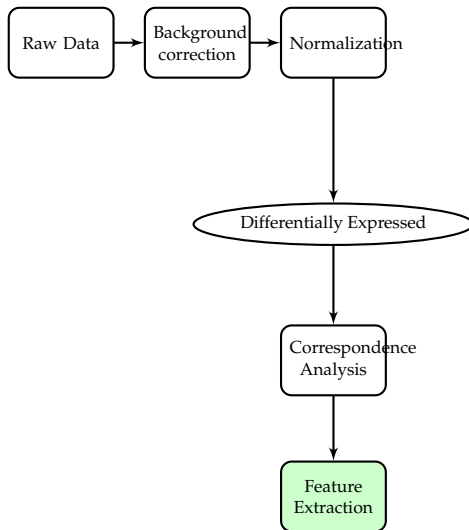
## CA vs PCA

$A = 1, 2, 3$

$B = 10, 25, 34$

Are A,B related/same?

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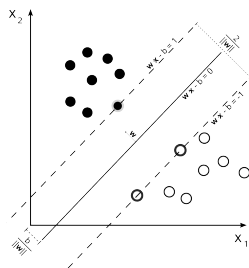
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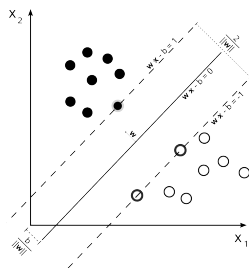
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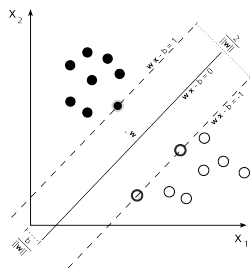


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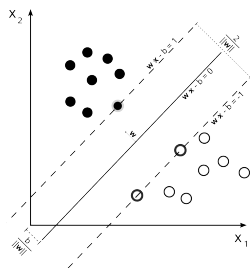




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## Recursive feature elimination with $k$ -fold cross validation

- ▶ Determine the rankings of each feature by training a SVM on given data
- ▶ Randomly partition data in  $k$  equally sized subsets
- ▶ The data with  $n$  feature is trained on  $k - 1$  subsets and validated using the remaining 1 set.
- ▶ this training process is repeated  $k$  times, such that each of the  $k$  subsamples are used exactly once as validation dataset
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# PHRED SCORE VIEWER

fastq format

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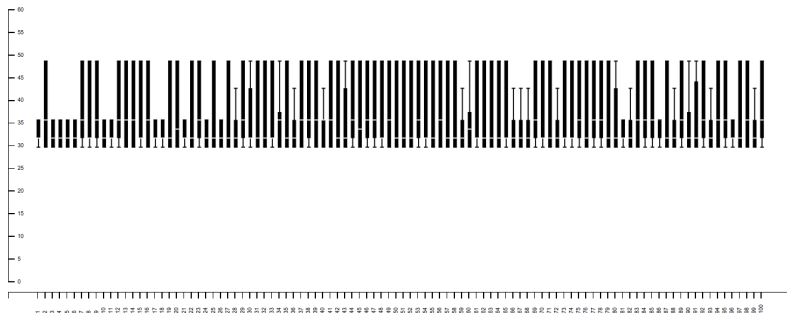
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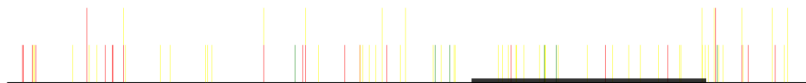
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SIFT ☒Polyphen ☒

Residue: Ala - 1038

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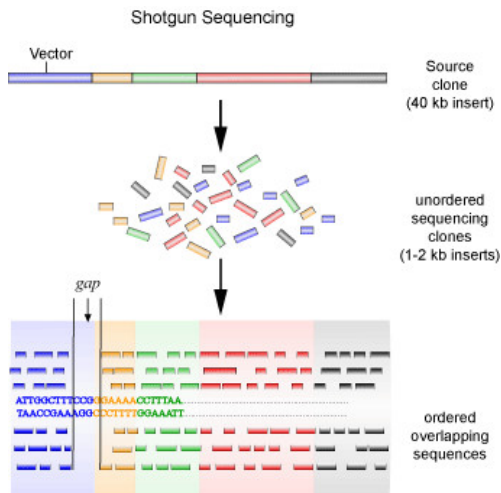
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## Figure: Detecting Virus Genomes

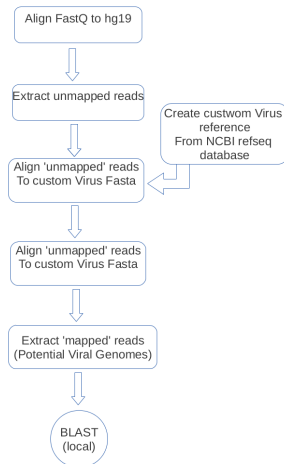


Figure: Aligned HPV genomes

Range 1: 995 to 1048 [GenBank](#) [Graphics](#)

▼ Next Match ▲ Previous Match

Score	Expect	Identities	Gaps	Strand
100 bits(54)	6e-19	54/54(100%)	0/54(0%)	Plus/Minus
Query 1	AACTATGTTGTAATACTGTTGTCTTTGTATCCATTCTGGCGTGTCTCCATACA			54
Sbjct 1048	AACTATGTTGTAATACTGTTGTCTTTGTATCCATTCTGGCGTGTCTCCATACA			995



for all possible phred scores, which assigns to each possible score and a given nucleotide a score given by  $(i,j)$ , emphasizing the probability that an observed nucleotide by the sequencer is indeed the same nucleotide

- ▶ Simulate genomes with different error rates and insertion-deletion ratios
- ▶ Simulate reads from the genomes
- ▶ Align reads to reference

A ROC curve can be plotted since the number of reads that are expected to match is known apriori.



## BWA v/s BWA-PSSM III

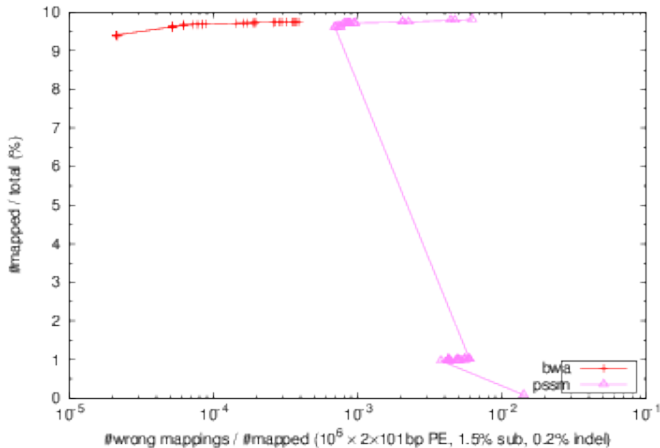


Figure: ROC curve for BWA v/s BWA-PSSM mappings

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# DIFFERENTIAL EXPRESSION STATISTICS IV

### Information Pooling:

Given we are fitting linear models to thousands of genes, we could make use of this parallel structure fitting same model to the gene. We focus on  $\beta_{gj}$  and  $\sigma_g$  using a prior distribution model to focus how they change across genes :

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_8^2} = \frac{1}{d_0 s_0^2} \chi_{d_0}^2 \quad (15)$$

Let  $p_i$  = proportion of differentially expressed genes :

$$P(\beta_{gj} \neq 0) = p_j \quad (16)$$

Thus updating our prior information(prio obs. equals zero with variance  $v_0$ ):

$$\beta_{gj}|\sigma_g^2, \beta_{gj} \neq 0 \sim N(0, v_0\sigma_g^2) \quad (17)$$

## DIFFERENTIAL EXPRESSION STATISTICS V

Posterior mean of  $\frac{1}{\sigma_g^2}$  is given by  $\frac{1}{s_g^2}$ :

$$\hat{s}_g^2 = \frac{d_0 s_0^2 + d_g s_g^2}{d_0 + d_g} \quad (18)$$

Thus the moderated t-statistic :

$$\hat{t}_{gj} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_{gj}}{s_g \sqrt{v_{gj}}} \quad (19)$$

has  $d_0 + d_g$  degrees of freedom.









## CORRESPONDENCE ANALYSIS IV

$$\mathbf{z} = [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_I] \quad (29)$$

The distance between any  $i^{th}$  row and it's centroid is given by, using the distance relation between rows from above:

$$d_{iz}^2 = \sum_{j=i}^J \frac{(\frac{p_{ij}}{r_i} - c_j)^2}{c_j} \quad (30)$$

which can be rewritten in terms of the centroid  $\mu_{ij} = r_i c_j$  as:

$$d_{iz}^2 = \frac{1}{r_i} \sum_{j=i}^J \frac{(p_{ij} - \mu_{ij})^2}{\mu_{ij}} \quad (31)$$

Thus row inertia:





## CORRESPONDENCE ANALYSIS VII

$$\phi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^I r_i d_{iz}^2 \quad (37)$$

and the amount of inertia captured by the first two principal axes is given by:

$$\frac{\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2}{\phi^2} \quad (38)$$

Support Vector Machines are binary classifiers. Given a training set of (points, labels)  $(x_i, y_i)$  where  $x_i \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $y \in -1, 1]$ . The idea is to search for a hyperplane that would separate the points with  $y_i = 1$  from  $y_i = -1$ . There could be multiple hyperplanes like that, the focus is however only on the hyperplane that with maximum-margins (on both sides). Any such hyperplane satisfies:

$$w.x - b = 0 \quad (39)$$

If the data is linearly separable, two hyperplanes can be found :

$$w.x - b = 1 \quad (40)$$

$$w.x - b = -1 \quad (41)$$

The distance between the two hyperplanes is  $\frac{2}{||w||}$ . Thus minimising  $||w||$  would yield the required hyperplane. In order to prevent misclassification, the following constraints are required:

for  $x_i$  belonging to class 1 and

for  $x_i$  belonging to class -1 which can be combined as:

and the objective function to be minimised under this constraint is :  $||w||$