

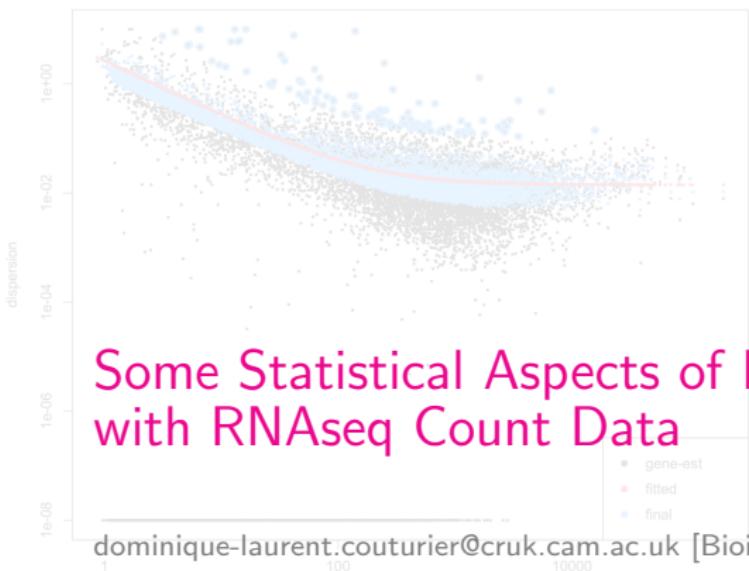


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Some Statistical Aspects of DE Analysis with RNAseq Count Data

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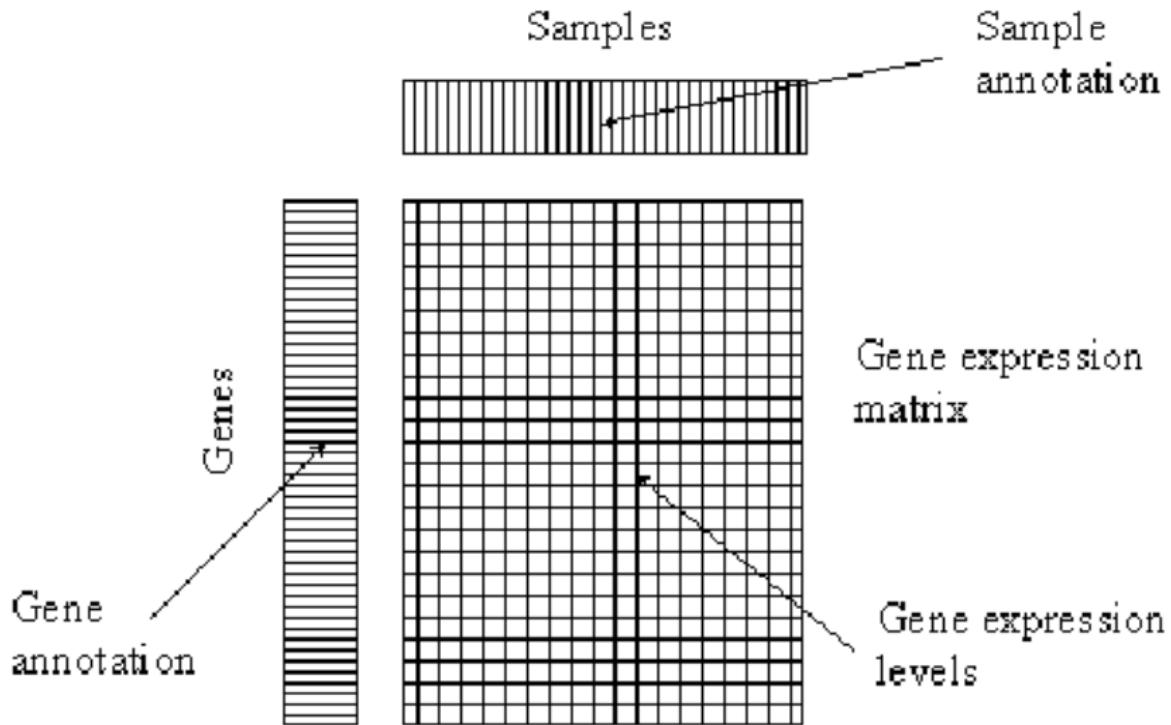
raw count for gene i , sample j

The mean is taken as "normalized counts" scaled by a normalization factor

$$K_{ij} \sim NB(s_{ij}q_{ij}, \alpha_i)$$

one dispersion per gene

Introduction



Introduction

```
> set.seed(777)
> cnts <- matrix(rnbinom(n=20000, mu=100, size=1/.25), ncol=20)
> cond <- factor(rep(1:2, each=10))

> dds <- DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(cnts, DataFrame(cond), ~ cond)
> dds <- DESeq(dds)
> results(dds)

log2 fold change (MLE): cond 2 vs 1
Wald test p-value: cond 2 vs 1
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4   103.2615      0.306400    0.297682    1.029284  0.3033460  0.944354
5    97.9406      0.316338    0.357242    0.885501  0.3758864  0.944354
...
996   86.8057      0.0467703   0.287042    0.162939  0.8705668  0.980044
997  101.4437     -0.2070806   0.339886   -0.609264  0.5423495  0.944354
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Outline

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- ▷ Tests: Null and alternative hypotheses, Type I and type II errors, Power
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- ▷ X design matrix,
- ▷ Linear regression,
- ▷ Negative binomial regression for counts.

► Part III: Multiplicity correction

- ▷ Familywise error rate (FWER)
- ▷ False discovery rate (FDR)

mean of normalized counts

count for gene i, sample j

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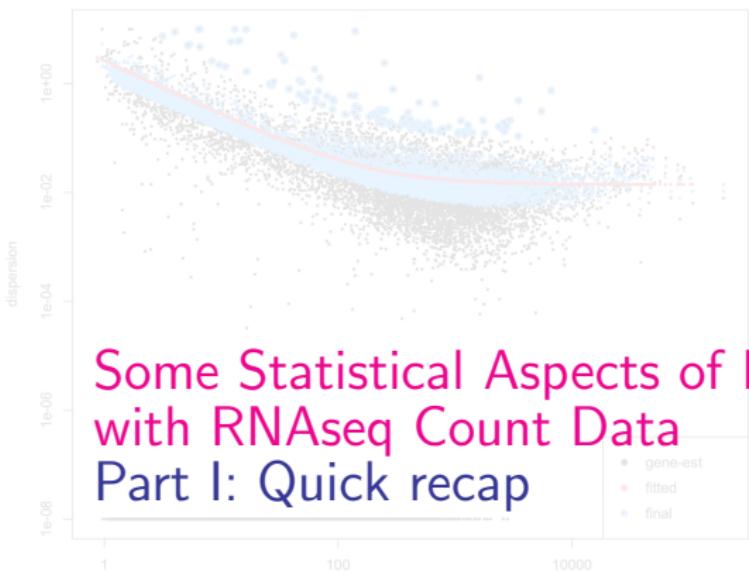


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Some Statistical Aspects of DE Analysis with RNAseq Count Data Part I: Quick recap

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The mean is taken as "normalized
counts scaled by a normalization
factor"

one dispersion per gene

$$K_{ij} \sim NB(s_{ij}q_{ij}, \alpha_i)$$

Grand Picture of Statistics

Statistical Hypotheses

$$\begin{aligned} H_0: \mu_I &= \mu_U \\ H_1: \mu_I &\neq \mu_U \end{aligned}$$

Sample/Sequencing/alignment



Idea:

EGF is differentially expressed (DE)
in infected (I) and uninfected (U) mice



Data: RNASeq counts

$$\begin{aligned} (y_{I,1}; y_{I,2}; \dots; y_{I,n_I}) \\ (y_{U,1}; y_{U,2}; \dots; y_{U,n_U}) \end{aligned}$$



Inference

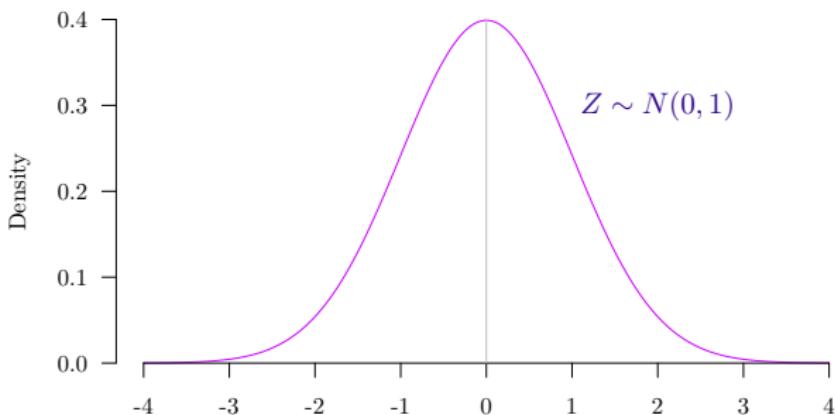
$$T_{obs} = \frac{\hat{\mu}_I - \hat{\mu}_U}{s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_I} + \frac{1}{n_U}}} \sim St_{n_I + n_U - 2}$$

Point estimation

$$\hat{\mu}_I - \hat{\mu}_U$$

Statistical tests

Assess how likely the observed test statistics is compared to the test statistics distribution under H_0 :



P-value for a two-sided test:

$$p\text{-value} = 2 \min [P(Z \leq Z_{obs} | H_0), P(Z \geq Z_{obs} | H_0)]$$

i.e. the probability of getting a test statistic as extreme or more extreme than the calculated test statistic if H_0 is true

Statistical tests

4 possible outcomes

Conclude:

- ▶ if $p\text{-value} > \alpha \rightarrow$ do not reject H_0 .
- ▶ if $p\text{-value} < \alpha \rightarrow$ reject H_0 in favour of H_1 .

		Test Outcome	
		H0 not rejected	H1 accepted
Unknown Truth	H0 true	$1 - \alpha$ [TN]	α [FP]
	H1 true	β [FN]	$1 - \beta$ [TP]

where

- ▶ α is the type I error, the probability of rejecting H_0 when H_0 is correct,
- ▶ β is the type II error, the probability of not rejecting H_0 when H_1 is correct.

Warnings

- ▶ 'absence of evidence is not evidence of absence',
- ▶ design may help minimising FP and FN (ie, maximising TN and TP).

Experimental design 1: Minimising biases

3 fundamental aspects of sounds experiments (Fisher 1935)

- ▶ Replication

Try to capture all sources of variability
(Biological versus technical variability)

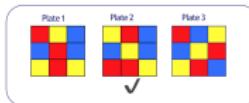
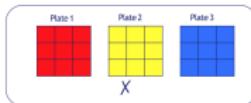
- ▶ Blocking

Try to remove technical biases/confounding
(Lane and batch effects)



- ▶ Randomisation

Try to remove confounding due to other factors



Experimental design 2: boosting power

Power- / Effect size- / Sample size- calculations

4 ingredients:

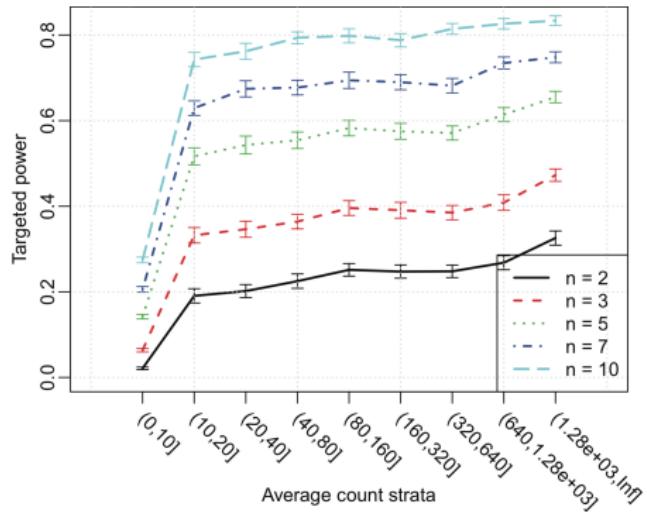
- ▶ $1 - \beta$, the power,
- ▶ δ , the effect size: function of μ_u and μ_l
(log fold change, standardised difference),
- ▶ n , the sample size (number of biological replicates),
- ▶ α , the type I error.
- ▷ ϕ , nuisance parameters
(variability, sequencing depth, multiplicity correction)

'Give me 3 of them, I will deduce the fourth':

- ▶ **Power calculation:** Aim is to define the probability ($1 - \beta$) to detect an effect size of interest (δ) at the α level with a sample size of n biological replicates.
- ▶ **Sample size calculation:** Aim is to define the sample size (n) allowing to detect an effect size of interest (δ) at the α level with a given probability ($1 - \beta$).

Experimental design 2: boosting power

Power- calculations in DE analyses



(Wu, Wang and Wu (2015))

Coffee break



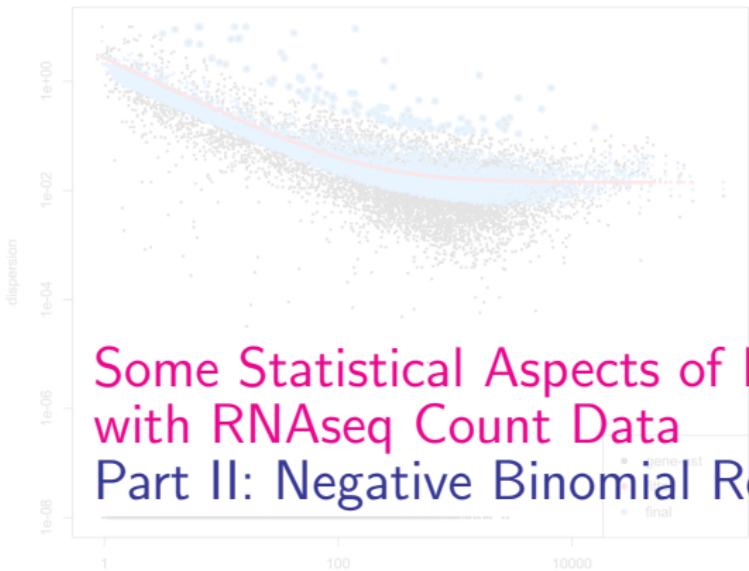


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Some Statistical Aspects of DE Analysis with RNAseq Count Data Part II: Negative Binomial Regression

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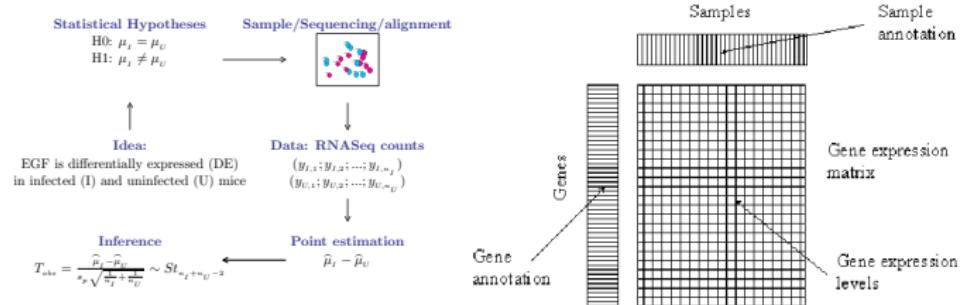
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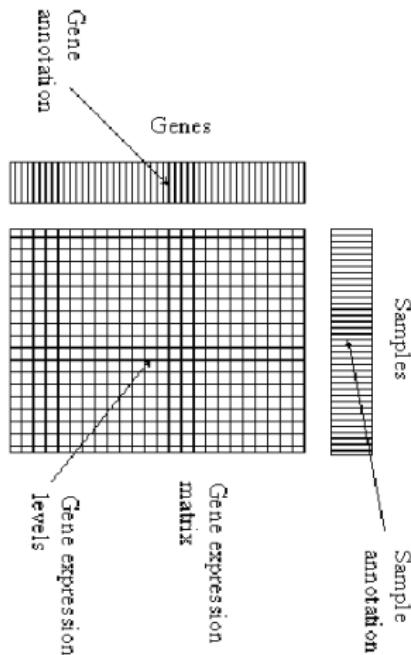
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Statistical modelling



Aim: Model the count data of each gene as a function of the conditions of interest (treatment, age, sex, batch, aso.)

Statistical modelling



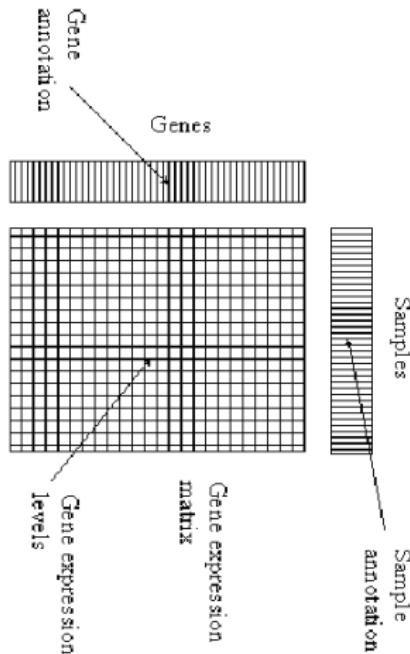
$$\mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{X}) + \epsilon$$
$$E[\mathbf{y}] = f(\mathbf{X})$$

where

- ▶ \mathbf{y} denotes the $(n \times 1)$ vector of expression intensities of a given gene,
- ▶ \mathbf{X} denotes the $(n \times p)$ design/predictor matrix,
- ▶ ϵ denotes the $(n \times 1)$ stochastic error vector,
- ▶ $E[\mathbf{y}]$ denotes the expectation of \mathbf{y}

Express the count data vector of a given gene, \mathbf{y} , as a function f of characteristics of the samples (\mathbf{X} : age, treatment, aso) plus a stochastic error vector ϵ

Statistical modelling : Linear regression

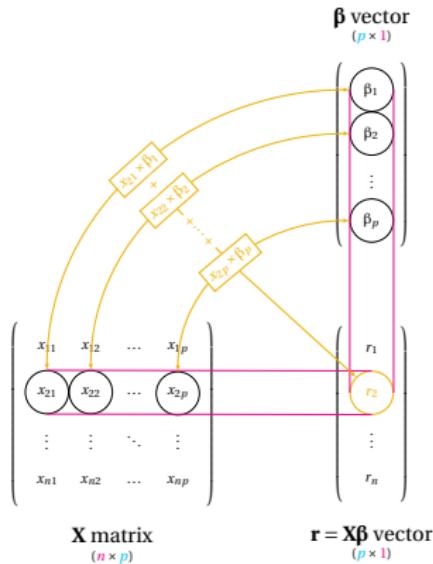


$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$
$$E[\mathbf{y}] = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

where

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- ▶ \mathbf{X} denotes the $(n \times p)$ design/predictor matrix,
- ▶ $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ denotes the $(p \times 1)$ parameter vector,
- ▶ $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ denotes the $(n \times 1)$ stochastic error vector,
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Statistical modelling : Linear regression



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Matrix multiplication:

the i th element $r = \mathbf{X}\beta$ is obtained by

- ▶ multiplying **term-by-term** the entries of the i th row of \mathbf{X} and each element of β ,
- ▶ and summing these products.

Statistical modelling : Linear regression

β vector
 $(p \times 1)$

1×10
 2×20
 4×30
 4×40

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} 10 \\ 20 \\ 30 \\ 40 \end{array} \right)$$
$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{array} \right) \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} 10 \\ ? \\ 90 \\ 160 \end{array} \right)$$

X matrix
 $(n \times p)$

$r = X\beta$ vector
 $(p \times 1)$

Matrix multiplication:

the i th element $r = X\beta$ is obtained by

- ▶ multiplying **term-by-term** the entries of the i th row of X and each element of β ,
- ▶ and summing these products.

Statistical modelling : Strategy

- ▶ Collect the information related to each sample for the predictors of interest,
- ▶ define β , the sets of parameters we are interested in,
- ▶ build the X matrix that relates the sample information with the β
this step is automatically done in R by specifying the regression formula in the function `lm()` or `DEseq2()`
- ▶ estimate the β and use statistical inference to assess significance (p -values)
these two points are done by the function `lm()` or `DEseq2()`

Statistical modelling : $\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ (For information)

- ▶ Linear regression:

$$E[\mathbf{y}] = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta},$$

- ▶ Cox regression:

$$h(t) = h_0(t)e^{\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}},$$

- ▶ Logistic regression:

$$\pi = \frac{e^{\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{1+e^{\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}}},$$

- ▶ Mean expression levels for a given gene in DESeq2:

$$E[\mathbf{y}] = 2^{\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}},$$

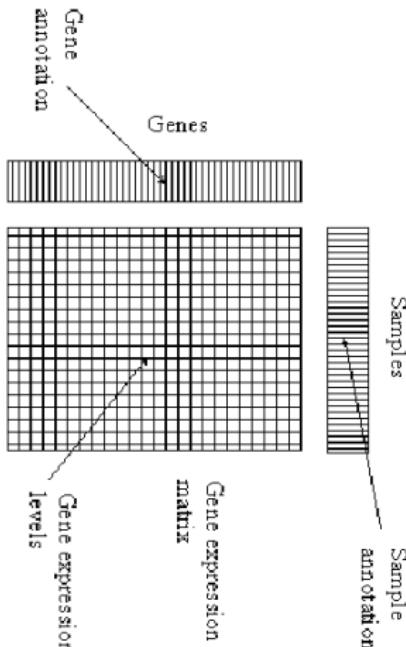
Statistical modelling : X contrast matrix

We will discuss contrast matrices for models with

- ▶ 1 factor (1 categorical predictor),
 - ▷ 2 experimental conditions (binary predictor, like sex),
[t-test](#)
 - ▷ >2 experimental conditions,
[One-way ANOVA](#)

- ▶ 2 factors (2 categorical predictors),
 - ▷ without interaction,
 - ▷ with interaction,
[Two-way ANOVA](#)

Example: Toxoplasma Gondii Oocysts



#	Sample ID	Status	Time Point
1	SRR7657878	Infected	11 dpi
2	SRR7657881	Infected	11 dpi
3	SRR7657880	Infected	11 dpi
4	SRR7657874	Infected	33 dpi
5	SRR7657882	Uninfected	33 dpi
6	SRR7657872	Infected	33 dpi
7	SRR7657877	Uninfected	11 dpi
8	SRR7657876	Uninfected	11 dpi
9	SRR7657879	Uninfected	11 dpi
10	SRR7657883	Uninfected	33 dpi
11	SRR7657873	Infected	33 dpi
12	SRR7657875	Uninfected	33 dpi

2 Factors:

- ▶ **Status** with 2 levels (Infected/uninfected)
- ▶ **Time point** with 2 levels (11 dpi, 33 dpi)

Case 1: 1 two-level factor without intercept

Modelling 1:

- ▶ Mean expression level of gene 'G' is a function of Status: Uninfected and infected.
 - ▶ 2 levels = 2 parameters

Sample information
(1 two-level factor)
I for 'Infected', U for 'Uninfected'

Parameters: $\beta = [\mu_u, \mu_l]^T$, where

- ▶ μ_u denoted the mean expression level for condition 'Uninfected'
 - ▶ μ_i denoted the mean expression level for condition 'Infected'

information		
level factor)		
U for 'Uninfected'		
I	-	-
I	-	-
I	-	-
I	-	-
U	-	-
I	-	-
U	-	-
U	-	-
U	-	-
I	-	-
U	-	-

X matrix
 (11×2)

Case 2: 1 two-level factor with intercept

Modelling 2:

- Mean expression level of gene 'G' is a function of Status: Uninfected and infected.
- 2 levels = 2 parameters

Sample information
(1 two-level factor)
I for 'Infected', U for 'Uninfected'

$$\begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \textbf{\beta vector}$$

Parameters: $\boldsymbol{\beta} = [\beta_0, \beta_1]^T$, where

- $\beta_0 = \mu_u$ is the intercept and corresponds to the mean expression level for the reference group: condition 'Uninfected'.
- $\beta_1 = \mu_i - \mu_u$ is the difference in mean expression level between conditions 'Infected' and 'Uninfected'

$$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & \text{I} & \text{U} & \\ \text{I} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{I} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{U} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{U} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{I} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{U} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{U} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{U} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{I} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \text{U} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{array}$$

\mathbf{X} matrix
(11 × 2)

$\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ vector
(p × 1)

Design matrices for models with a two-level factor:

R Code

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and go to Section '[Contrast matrices / One 2-level factor](#)'

```
> dds <- DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(cnts, DataFrame(cond), ~ cond)
```

Case 3: 1 three-level factor without intercept EXERCISE

Modelling 1:

- Mean expression level of gene 'G' is a function of Status: uninfected, half-infected and infected.
- 3 levels = 3 parameters

Sample information
(1 three-level factor)
I for 'Infected', U for 'Uninfected'
H for 'Half-infected'

Parameters: $\beta = [\mu_U, \mu_H, \mu_I]^T$,
where

- μ_U denoted the mean expression level for condition 'Uninfected'
- μ_H denoted the mean expression level for condition 'Half-infected'
- μ_I denoted the mean expression level for condition 'Infected'

$$\begin{array}{c} \left(\begin{array}{c} \mu_U \\ \mu_H \\ \mu_I \end{array} \right) \\ \text{β vector} \\ \\ \left(\begin{array}{c} H \\ H \\ I \\ I \\ U \\ U \\ U \\ H \\ I \\ H \end{array} \right) \\ \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{array} \right) \\ \left(\begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \cdot \end{array} \right) \\ \text{X matrix} \\ (11 \times 3) \\ \\ \text{X}\beta \text{ vector} \\ (p \times 1) \end{array}$$

Case 4: 1 three-level factor with intercept EXERCISE

Modelling 2:

- Mean expression level of gene 'G' is a function of Status: uninfected, half-infected and infected.
- 3 levels = 3 parameters

Parameters: $\beta = [\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2]^T$,
where

- $\beta_0 = \mu_u$ is the intercept and corresponds to the mean expression level for the reference group: condition 'Uninfected'.
- $\beta_1 = \mu_h - \mu_u$ is the difference in mean expression level between conditions 'Half-infected' and 'Uninfected'
- $\beta_2 = \mu_i - \mu_u$ is the difference in mean expression level between conditions 'Infected' and 'Uninfected'

Sample information
(1 three-level factor)
I for 'Infected', U for 'Uninfected'
H for 'Half-infected'

$$\begin{array}{c} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{array} \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} H \\ H \\ I \\ I \\ U \\ I \\ U \\ U \\ H \\ I \\ H \end{array} \right) \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \cdot \end{array} \right)$$

X matrix
 (11×3)

$\mathbf{\beta}$ vector
 $(p \times 1)$

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> dds <- DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(cnts, DataFrame(cond), ~ cond)
```

Case 5: 2 two-level factors without interaction

Modelling 1:

- Mean expression level of gene 'G' is a function of Status (Uninfected and infected) and Time (11 and 33 dpi).
 - $2 \text{ (Status levels)} \times 2 \text{ (Time levels)} = 3 \text{ parameters without interaction}$

Sample information
(2 two-level factors)
I for 'Infected', U for 'Uninfected'
11 for '11 dpi' and 33 for '33 dpi'

Parameters: $\beta = [\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2]^T$,
where

- ▶ $\beta_0 = \mu_{0,11}$ denoted the mean expression level for the reference group: condition 'Uninfected' at 'Time 11'
 - ▶ β_1 denoted the shift in mean due to condition 'Infected'
 - ▶ β_2 denoted the shift in mean due to condition 'Time 33'

I	11			
I	11	*	*	*
I	11	*	*	*
I	33	*	*	*
U	33	*	*	*
I	33	*	*	*
U	11	*	*	*
U	11	*	*	*
U	33	*	*	*
I	33	*	*	*
U	33	*	*	*

Case 5: 2 two-level factors with interaction

Modelling 1:

- Mean expression level of gene 'G' is a function of Status (Uninfected and infected) and Time (11 and 33 dpi).
- $2 \text{ (Status levels)} \times 2 \text{ (Time levels)} = 4 \text{ parameters with interaction}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \beta_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \pmb{\beta} \text{ vector}$$

Sample information
(2 two-level factors)
I for 'Infected', U for 'Uninfected'
11 for '11 dpi' and 33 for '33 dpi'

Parameters: $\pmb{\beta} = [\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3]^T$,
where

- $\beta_0 = \mu_{U,11}$ denoted the mean expression level for the reference group: condition 'Uninfected' at 'Time 11'
- β_1 denoted the sift in mean due to condition 'Infected'
- β_2 denoted the sift in mean due to condition 'Time 33'
- β_3 denoted the sift in mean due to conditions 'Infected' & 'Time 33' jointly given the main effects of 'Status' and 'Time'

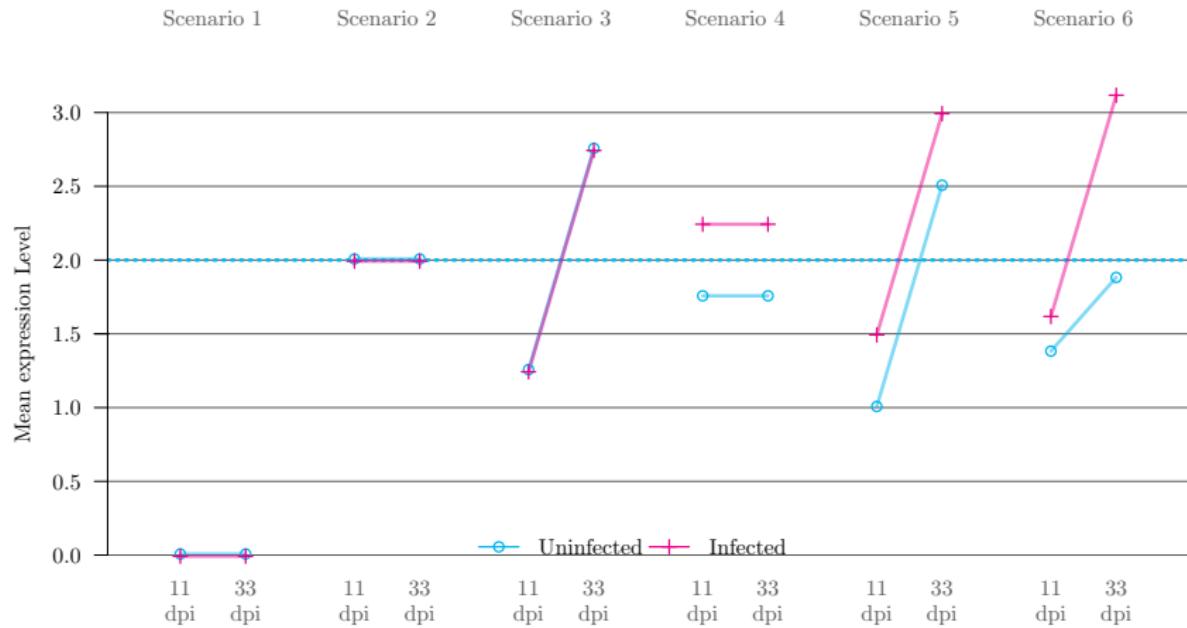
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$$\begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \cdot \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} X\pmb{\beta} \text{ vector} \\ (p \times 1) \end{array}$$

Models with 2 factors: possible scenarios

2 factors:

- ▶ Status (2 levels): Uninfected and infected
- ▶ Time (2 levels): 11 and 33 dpi



Design matrices for models with two two-level factors:

R Code

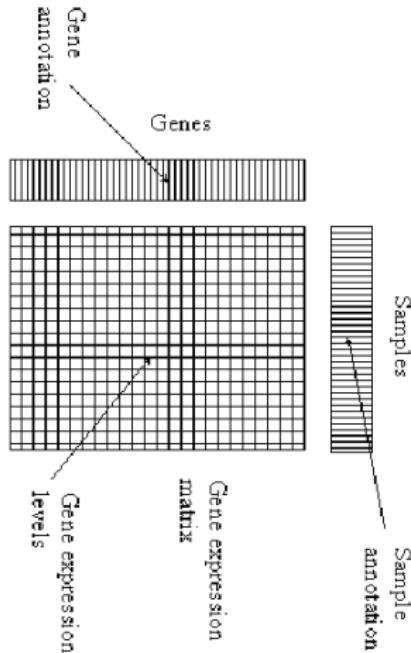
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```

Coffee break



Negative binomial regression: Model



$$\mathbf{y} \sim \text{NB}(\mu, \phi)$$

$$E[\mathbf{y}] = \mu = s 2^{\mathbf{X}\beta}$$

where

- ▶ \mathbf{y} denotes the $(n \times 1)$ count vector of expression intensities of a given gene,
- ▶ \mathbf{X} denotes the $(n \times p)$ design/predictor matrix,
- ▶ β denotes the $(p \times 1)$ parameter vector,
- ▶ ϕ denotes the dispersion parameter,
- ▶ s denotes the scaling factor vector (library size),
- ▶ $E[\mathbf{y}] = \mu$ denotes the expectation of \mathbf{y}

Negative binomial regression:

Probability mass function

$$y \sim NB(\mu, \phi)$$

$$f(y|\mu, \phi) = \frac{\Gamma(y + \frac{1}{\phi})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{\phi})\Gamma(y + 1)} \left(\frac{\phi\mu}{1 + \phi\mu}\right)^y \left(\frac{1}{1 + \phi\mu}\right)^{\frac{1}{\phi}}$$

with expectation and variance given by

- ▶ $E[y] = \mu = s^{2X\beta}$
- ▶ $\text{Var}[y] = \mu \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{\phi}\right)$

Negative binomial regression: Log2 FC

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```

- ▶ $E[y|'cond 1'] = 2^{\hat{\beta}_0}$
 - ▶ $E[y|'cond 2'] = 2^{\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1} = 2^{\hat{\beta}_0}2^{\hat{\beta}_1}$
 - ▷ If not DE, $\beta_1 = 0$ so that $E[y|'cond 2'] = 2^{\hat{\beta}_0}2^0 = 2^{\hat{\beta}_0}$,
 - ▷ If DE, $\beta_1 \neq 0$ so that $E[y|'cond 2'] = 2^{\hat{\beta}_0}2^{\hat{\beta}_1}$
- Interpretation: Multiplicative change in the mean gene expression level of $2^{\hat{\beta}_1} = 2^{-0.682067} = 0.6232717$ compared to the condition 1

Negative binomial regression: Significance

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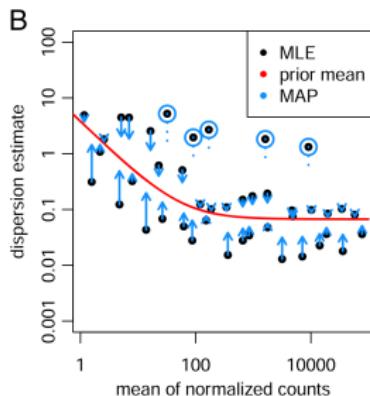
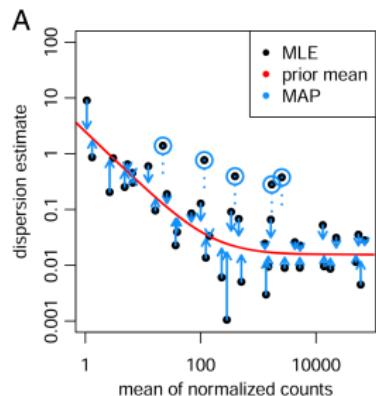
Wald Z-test to assess if a Log2 FC is significantly different from 0:

- ▶ **H0:** $\beta_1 = 0$ versus **H1:** $\beta_1 \neq 0$
- ▶ Z-statistic = $\frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\beta}_1}} = \frac{-0.682067}{0.344525} = -1.979730$
- ▶ P-value with $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ under **H0** is given by
 - > `2*(1-pnorm(abs(-1.979730)))`

```
[1] 0.04773388
```

Negative binomial regression: Assumed Distribution

- ▶ The **assumed distribution of counts per condition for a given gene** depends on
 - ▷ $\hat{\beta}$, the estimate of the parameter vector,
 - ▷ ϕ , the estimate of the dispersion parameter for that gene.
- ▶ There are **3 ways to estimate ϕ in DESeq2**:
 - ▷ **gene-wise** dispersion estimates via ML (black dots) [not efficient],
 - ▷ **smooth curve** (red line) [strong assumption],
 - ▷ Bayesian **combination of both** [mid-way optimal solution].

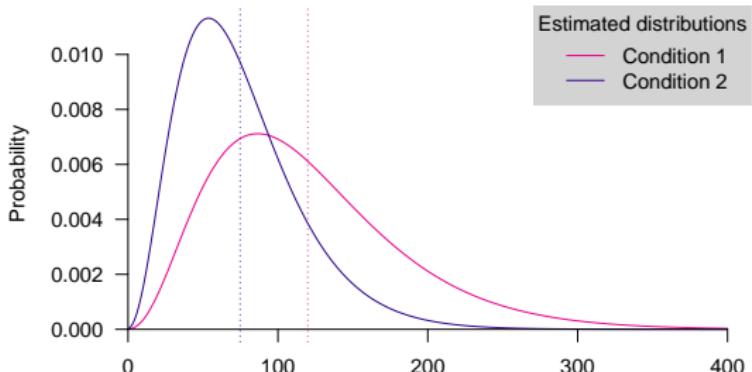


(Love et al (2015))

Negative binomial regression: Assumed Distribution

```
-> mcols(dds)[,c("Intercept","cond_2_vs_1","dispGeneEst","dispFit","dispersion")]
DataFrame with 1000 rows and 5 columns
  Intercept cond_2_vs_1 dispGeneEst dispFit dispersion
  <numeric>   <numeric>    <numeric> <numeric>   <numeric>
1     6.90565 -0.682067  0.294082  0.234624  0.274708
2     6.89102 -0.228819  0.479231  0.230525  0.479231
...
999    6.05380  0.7554725  0.206644  0.229562  0.213730
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```

- ▶ For gene 1 and condition 1, we have
 $y \sim NB(\hat{\mu} = 2^{6.90565} = 119.8969, \hat{\phi} = 0.274708)$
- ▶ For gene 1 and condition 2, we have
 $y \sim NB(\hat{\mu} = 2^{6.90565} 2^{-0.682067} = 74.72831, \hat{\phi} = 0.274708)$



Coffee break



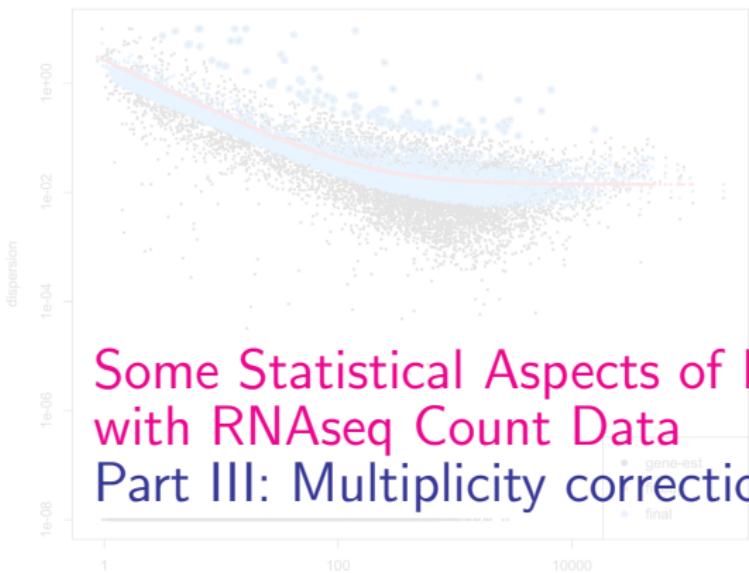


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Some Statistical Aspects of DE Analysis with RNAseq Count Data Part III: Multiplicity correction

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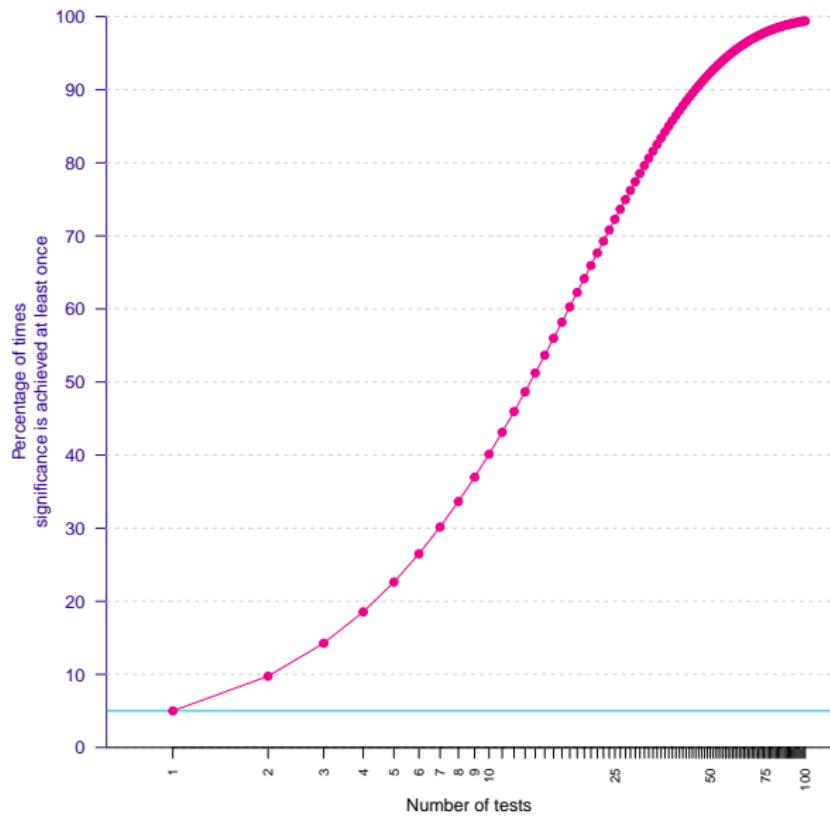
(Source: G. Marot, INRIA)

The mean is taken as "normalized count" divided by a normalization factor

$$K_{ij} \sim NB(s_{ij}q_{ij}, \alpha_i)$$

one dispersion per gene

Multiplicity correction: Familywise error rate



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The Family Wise Error Rate (FWER)

Definition

Probability of having at least one Type I error (false positive), of declaring DE at least one non DE gene.

$$FWER = \mathbb{P}(FP \leq 1)$$

The Bonferroni procedure

Either each test is realized at $\alpha = \alpha^*/G$ level

or use of adjusted pvalue $pBonf_i = \min(1, p_i * G)$ and $FWER \leq \alpha^*$.

For $G = 2000$, $\leq \alpha^* = 0.05$, $\alpha = 2.510^{-5}$.

Easy but conservative and not powerful.

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The False Discovery Rate (FDR)

Idea : Do not control the error rate but the proportion of error
⇒ less conservative than control of the FWER.

Definition

The false discovery rate of [Benjamini and Hochberg, 1995] is the expected proportion of Type I errors among the rejected hypotheses

$$\text{FDR} = \mathbb{E}(FP/P) \text{ if } P > 0 \text{ and } 0 \text{ if } P = 0$$

Prop

$$\text{FDR} \leq \text{FWER}$$

Multiplicity correction

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> p.adjust(results(dds)[,"pvalue"],method="BH")[c(1:5,996:1000)]
[1] 0.7458417 0.9443538 0.9783822 0.9443538 0.9443538 0.9800445 0.9443538 0.8243099
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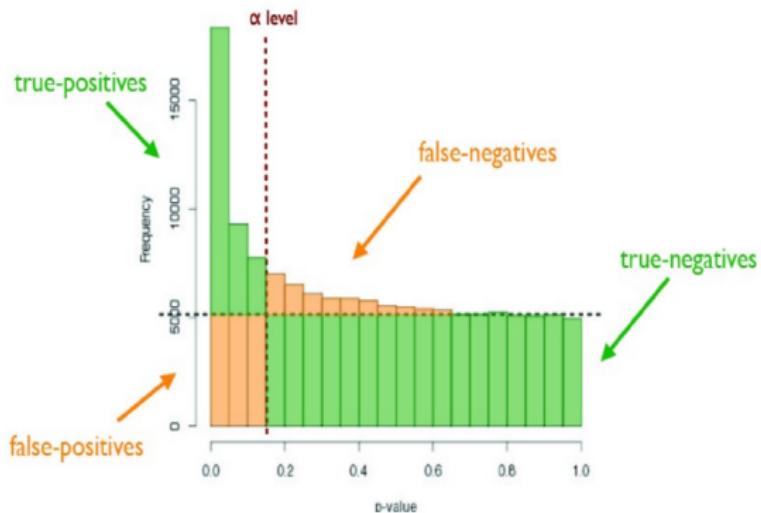
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Standard assumption for p-value distribution



Source : M. Guedj, Pharnext

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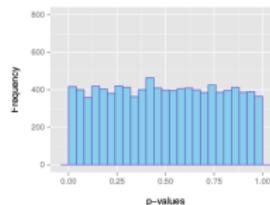
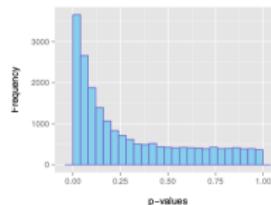
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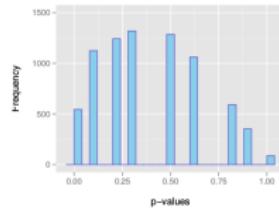
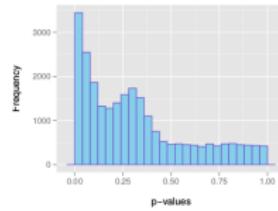
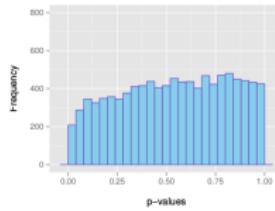
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Examples of not expected overall distribution



- (a) : indicates a batch effect (confounding hidden variables)
- (b) : the test statistics may be inappropriate (due to strong correlation structure for instance)
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