

Part IV. Object Oriented Programming

**Biobase, affy, and
marrayXXX packages**

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Biobase package

- The **Biobase** package provides class definitions and other infrastructure tools that will be used by other packages.
- The two important classes defined in **Biobase** are
 - **phenoData**: sample level covariate data.
 - **exprSet**: the sample level covariate data combined with the expression data and a few other quantities of interest.

`exprSet` class

Slots for the `exprSet` class

- `exprs`: a matrix of expression measures, genes are rows, samples are columns.
- `se.exprs`: standard errors for the expression measures, if available.
- `phenoData`: an object of class `phenoData` that describes the target samples.
- `annotation`: a character vector.
- `description`: an object of class `MIAME`
`notes`: a character vector.

exprSet class

exprs

Matrix of expression measures, genes x samples

se.exprs

Matrix of SEs for expression measures

phenoData

Sample level covariates, instance of class **phenoData**

annotation

Name of annotation data

description

MIAME information

notes

Any notes

`exprSet` class

- One of the most important tasks is to **align** the expression data and the phenotypic data (and to keep that alignment through the analysis).
- To achieve this, the `exprSet` class combines these two data sources into one object, and provides subsetting and access methods that make it easy to manipulate the data while ensuring that they are correctly aligned.

exprSet class

- A design principle that was adopted for the **exprSet** and other classes was that they should be closed under the subset operation.
- So any subsetting, either of rows or columns, will return a valid **exprSet** object.
- This makes it easier to use **exprSet** in other software packages

`exprSet` class

Some methods for the `exprSet` class

- `show` controls the printing (you seldom want a few hundred thousand numbers rolling by).
- `subset`, `[` and `$`, are both designed to keep correct subsets of the `exprs`, `se.exprs`, and `phenoData` objects.
- `split` splits the `exprSet` into two or more parts depending on the vector used for splitting.

`exprSet` class

- `geneNames`, retrieves the gene names (row names of `exprs`).
- `phenoData`, `pData`, and `sampleNames` provide access to `phenoData` slots.
- `write.exprs` writes the expression values to a file for processing or storage.

phenoData class

Slots for the `phenoData` class

- **pData**: a dataframe, where the samples are rows and the variables are columns (this is the standard format).
- **varLabels**: a vector containing the variable names (as they appear in `pData`) and a longer description of the variables.

phenoData class

- Methods for the **phenoData** class include
 - **[**, the subset operator, this method ensures that when a subset is taken, both the **pData** and the **varLabels** objects have the appropriate subsets taken.
 - **\$**, extracts the appropriate column of the **pData** slot (as for a dataframe).
 - **show**, a method to control printing, we show only the **varLabels** (and the size).

Biobase package

- The data package **golubEsets** contains instances of the **exprSet** class for the ALL AML study of Golub et al. (1999).
- Try

```
library(golubEsets)
data(golubTrain)
show(golubTrain)
golubTrain[1:100, 1:4]
pData(golubTrain)
```

Pre-processing cDNA microarray data

- **marrayClasses**:
 - class definitions for cDNA microarray data;
 - basic methods for manipulating microarray objects: printing, plotting, subsetting, class conversions, etc.
- **marrayInput**:
 - reading in intensity data and textual data describing probes and targets;
 - automatic generation of microarray data objects;
 - widgets for point & click interface.
- **marrayPlots**: diagnostic plots.
- **marrayNorm**: robust adaptive location and scale normalization procedures.

marrayClasses package

- Based on *Minimum Information About a Microarray Experiment - MIAME* - document.
- Microarray **classes** should represent
 - gene expression measures
 - scanned images, i.e., raw data,
 - image quantitation data, i.e., output from image analysis,
 - normalized expression levels, i.e., log-ratios M ;
 - reliability information for these measurements;
 - information on the probe sequences spotted on the arrays;
 - information on the target samples hybridized to the arrays.

marrayLayout class

Array layout parameters

maNspots

Total number of spots

maNgr

maNgc

Dimensions of grid matrix

maNsr

maNsc

Dimensions of spot matrices

maSub

Current subset of spots

maPlate

Plate IDs for each spot

maControls

Control status labels for each spot

maNotes

Any notes

marrayRaw class

Pre-normalization intensity data for a batch of arrays

maRf	maGf	Matrix of red and green foreground intensities
maRb	maGb	Matrix of red and green background intensities
maW		Matrix of spot quality weights
maLayout		Array layout parameters - marrayLayout
maGnames		Description of spotted probe sequences - marrayInfo
maTargets		Description of target samples - marrayInfo
maNotes		Any notes

marrayNorm class

Post-normalization intensity data for a batch of arrays

maA	Matrix of average log-intensities, A	
maM	Matrix of normalized intensity log-ratios, M	
maMloc	maMscale	Matrix of location and scale normalization values
maW	Matrix of spot quality weights	
maLayout	Array layout parameters - marrayLayout	
maGnames	Description of spotted probe sequences - marrayInfo	
maTargets	Description of target samples - marrayInfo	
maNormCall	Function call	
maNotes	Any notes	

`marrayInput` package

- `marrayInput` provides functions for reading microarray data into R and creating microarray objects of class `marrayLayout`, `marrayInfo`, and `marrayRaw`.
- Input
 - Image quantitation data, i.e., output files from image analysis software.
E.g. `.gpr` for **GenePix**, `.spot` for **Spot**.
 - Textual description of probe sequences and target samples.
E.g. `gal` files, `god` lists.

marrayInput package

- Widgets for graphical user interface

`widget.marrayLayout`,

`widget.marrayInfo`,

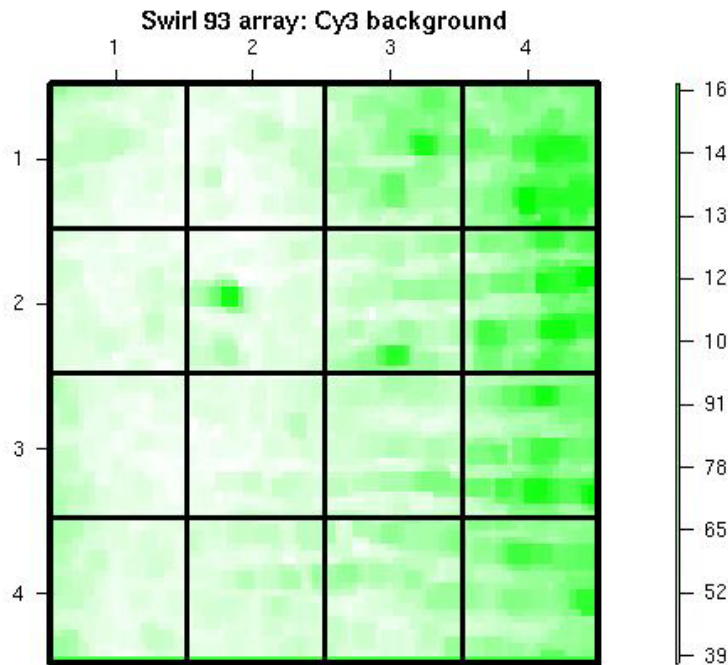
`widget.marrayRaw`.

The screenshot shows the 'MarrayRaw builder' window. It features a 'Files' button at the top. Below it is a text field for the 'Name of the marrayRaw object:' containing 'swirl'. The 'Foreground and background intensities' section includes input fields for 'Green Foreground' (Gmean), 'Green Background' (morphG), 'Red Foreground' (Rmean), and 'Red Background' (morphR), along with a 'Weights' field. The 'Layout:' section has a text field with 'swirl.layout' and a 'Browse' button. The 'Target Information:' section has a text field with 'swirl.samples' and a 'Browse' button. The 'Gene Information:' section has a text field with 'swirl.gnames' and a 'Browse' button. A 'Notes:' section is at the bottom with an empty text area. The bottom of the window contains a row of buttons: 'Layout', 'Target', 'Genes', 'Build', and 'Quit'.

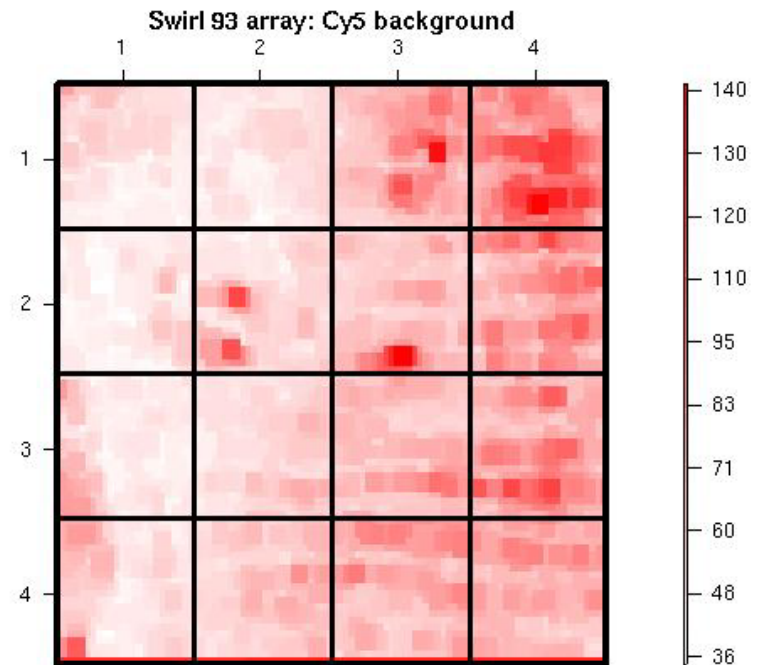
marrayPlots package

- **Diagnostic plots** of spot statistics.
E.g. red and green log-intensities, intensity log-ratios M , average log-intensities A , spot area.
 - **maImage**: 2D spatial images.
 - **maBoxplot**: boxplots.
 - **maPlot**: scatter-plots with fitted curves and text highlighted.
- **Stratify** plots according to layout parameters such as print-tip-group, plate.
E.g. MA-plots with loess fits by print-tip-group.
- See **demo (marrayPlots)**.

2D spatial images maImage



Cy3 background intensity



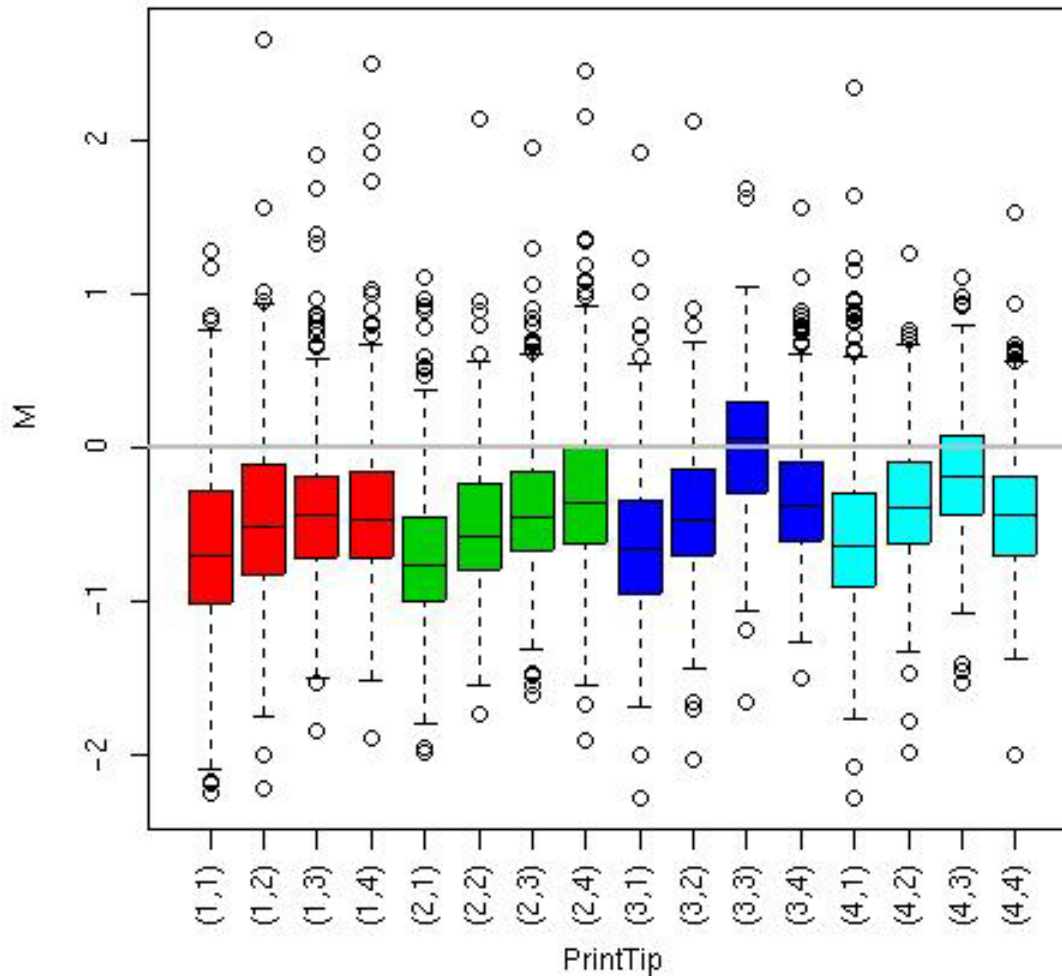
Cy5 background intensity

Boxplots by print-tip-group

maBoxplot

Swirl 93 array: pre-normalization log-ratio M

Intensity
log-ratio, M

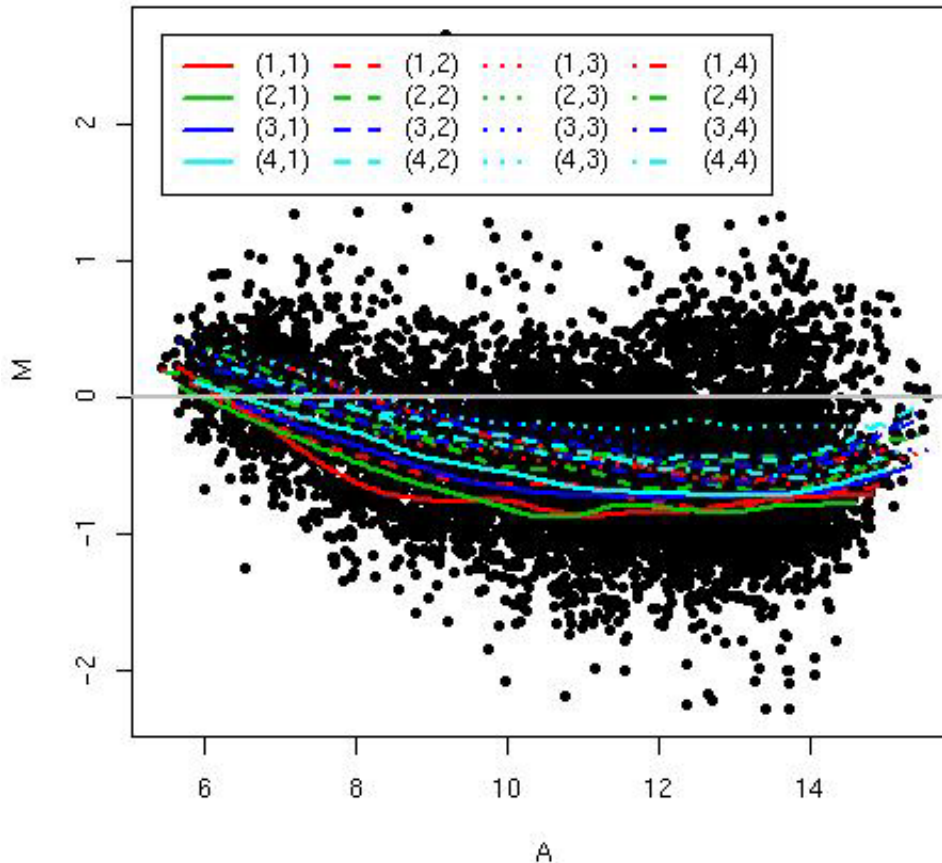


MA-plot by print-tip-group

maPlot

$$M = \log_2 R - \log_2 G, \quad A = (\log_2 R + \log_2 G)/2$$

Swirl 93 array: pre-normalization log-ratio M



Intensity
log-ratio, M

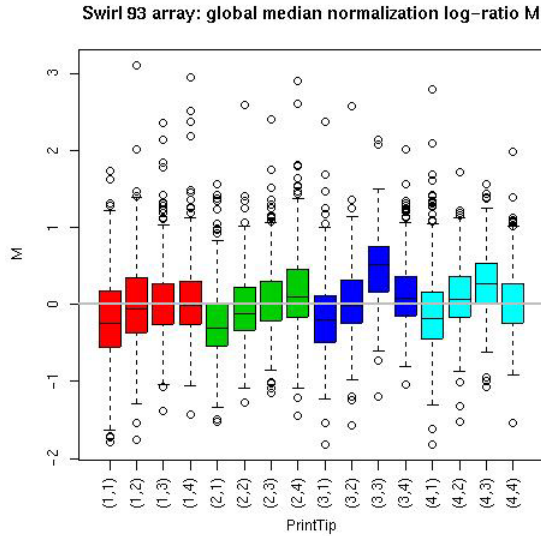
Average
log-intensity, A

marrayNorm package

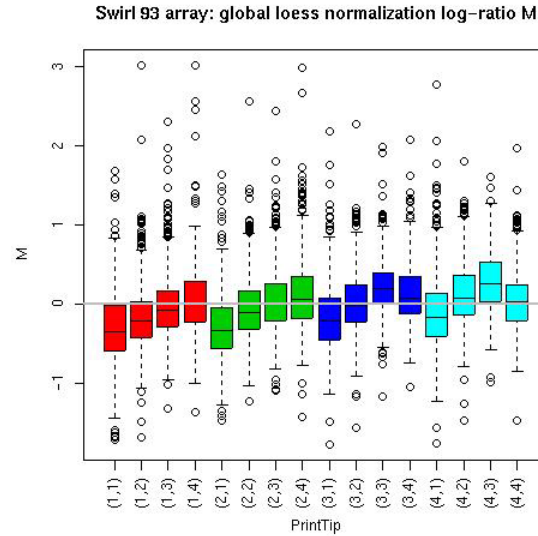
- **maNormMain**: main normalization function, allows **robust adaptive location and scale normalization** for a batch of arrays
 - intensity or A-dependent location normalization (**maNormLoess**);
 - 2D spatial location normalization (**maNorm2D**);
 - median location normalization (**maNormMed**);
 - scale normalization using MAD (**maNormMAD**);
 - composite normalization;
 - your own normalization function.
- **maNorm**: simple wrapper function.
- **maNormScale**: simple wrapper function for scale normalization.

Boxplots of normalized M

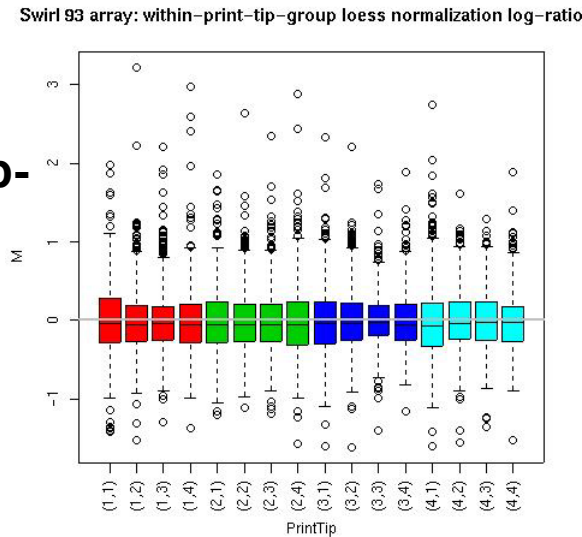
Global median normalization



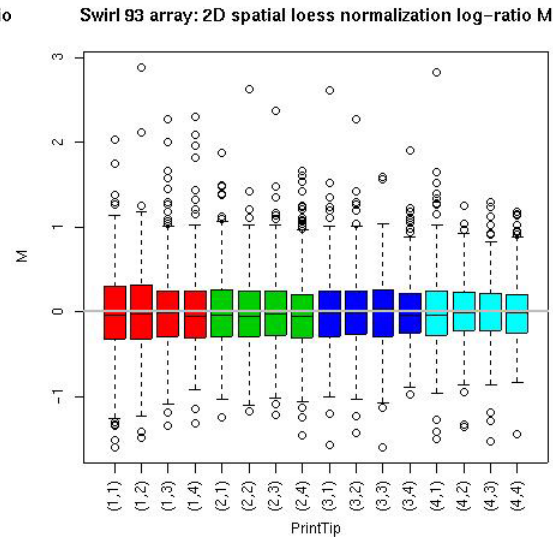
Global loess normalization



Within-print-tip-group loess normalization



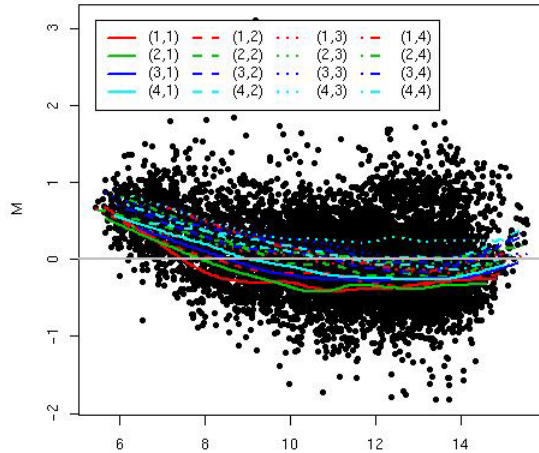
2D spatial normalization



MA-plots of normalized M

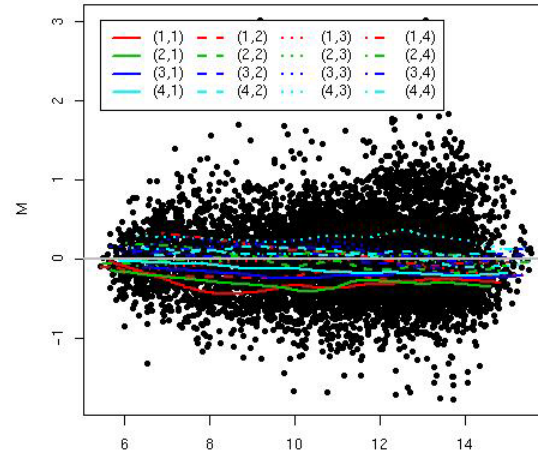
Global median normalization

Swirl 93 array: global median normalization log-ratio M



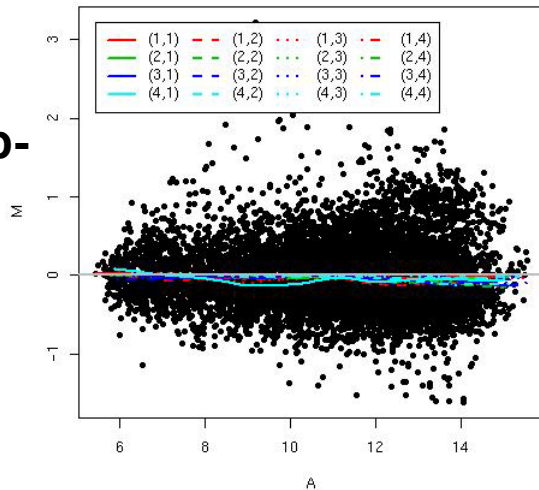
Global loess normalization

Swirl 93 array: global loess normalization log-ratio M



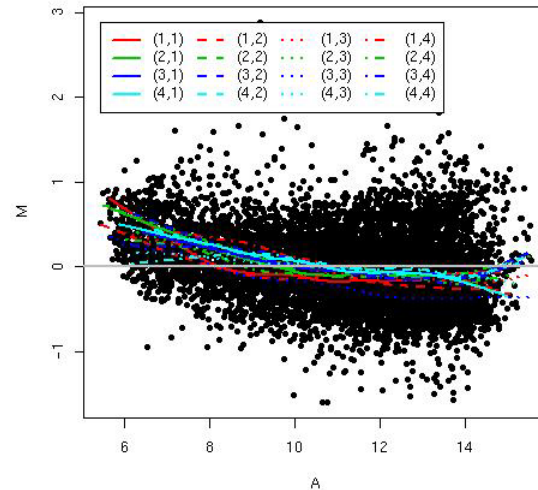
Within-print-tip-group loess normalization

Swirl 93 array: within-print-tip-group loess normalization log-ratio



2D spatial normalization

Swirl 93 array: 2D spatial loess normalization log-ratio M



Pre-processing Affymetrix data

- Bioconductor R package **affy**.
- Background estimation.
- Probe-level normalization: quantile, curve-fitting.
- Expression measures: AvDiff, Signal, Li & Wong (2001), RMA.
- Two main functions: **ReadAffy**, **express**

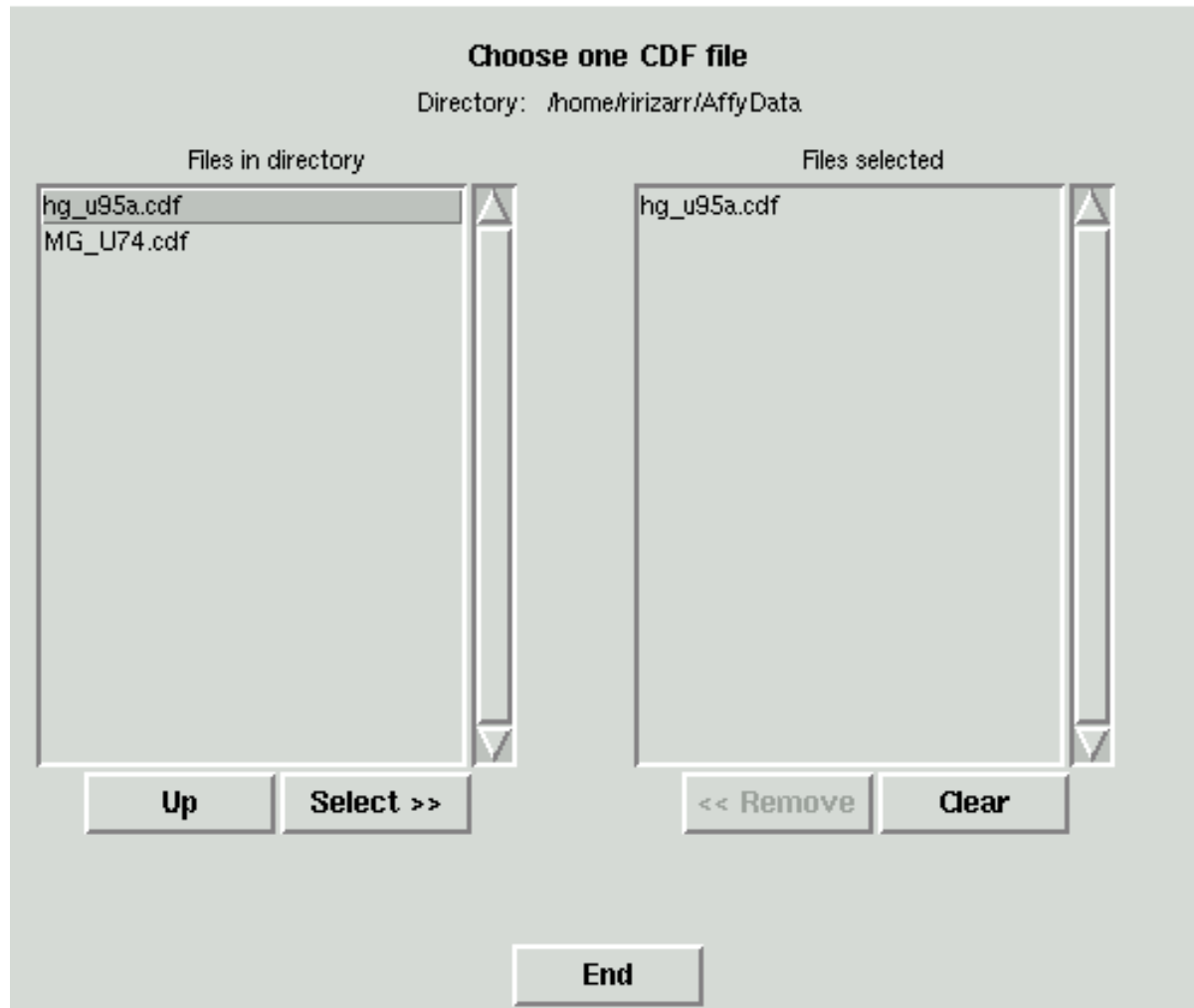
affy package

- Pre-processing for Affymetrix chip data.
- Class definitions for probe-level data: **Cdf**, **Cel**, **PPSet**, **Plob**.
- Basic methods for manipulating microarray objects: printing, plotting, subsetting.
- Functions and widgets for data input from CDF and CEL files, and automatic generation of microarray data objects.

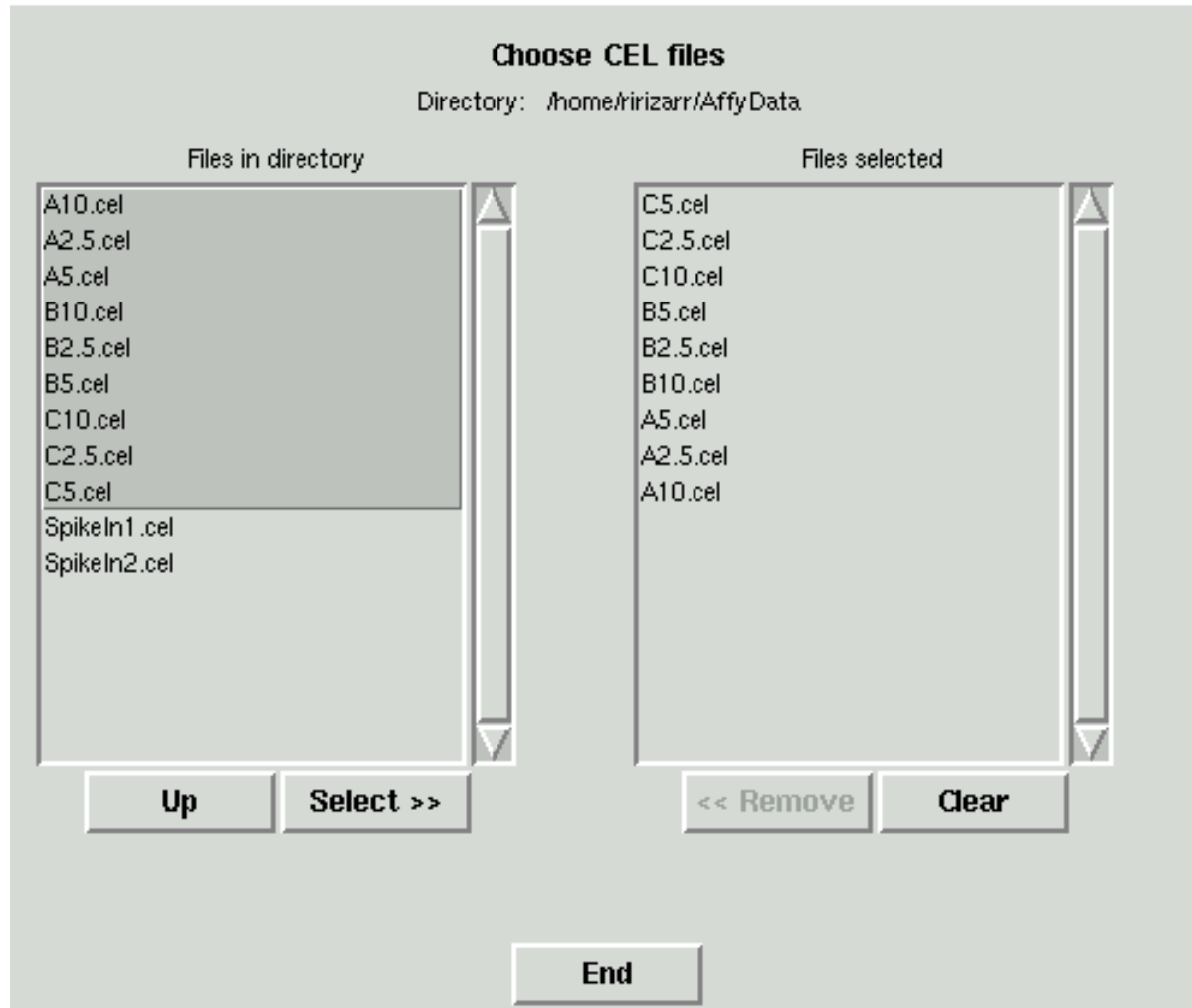
affy package

- Diagnostic plots: 2D spatial images, boxplots, MA-plots, etc.
- Background estimation.
- Probe-level normalization: quantile and curve-fitting normalization.
- Expression measures: MAS 4.0 AvDiff, MAS 5.0 Signal, MBEI (Li & Wong, 2001), RMA (Irizarry et al., 2002).
- Two main functions: **ReadAffy**, **express**.

Reading in data: `ReadAffy()`



Reading in data: ReadAffy ()

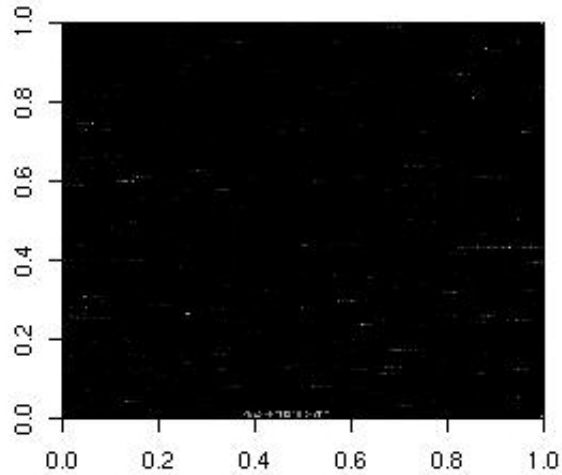


Methods for Quality Control:

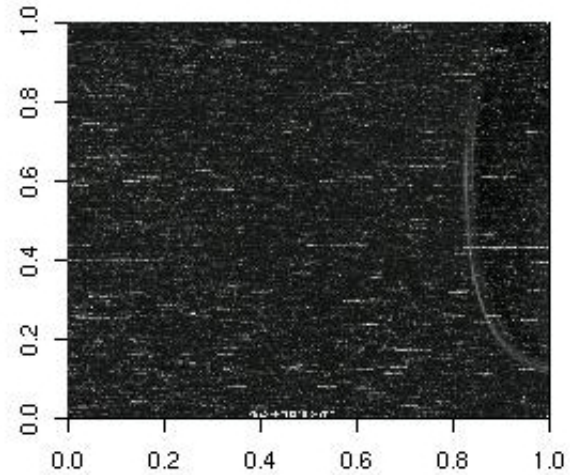
`image, hist, boxplot, mva.pairs`

image

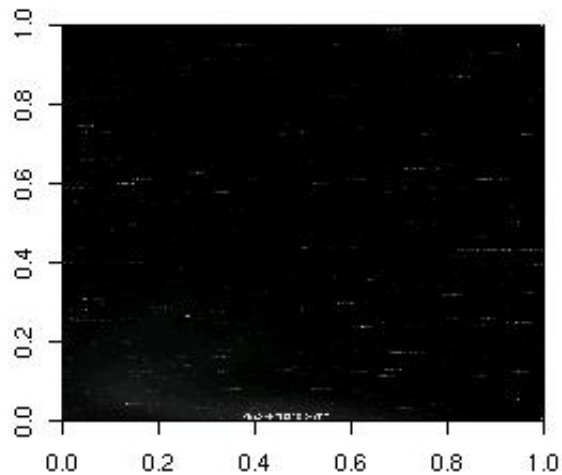
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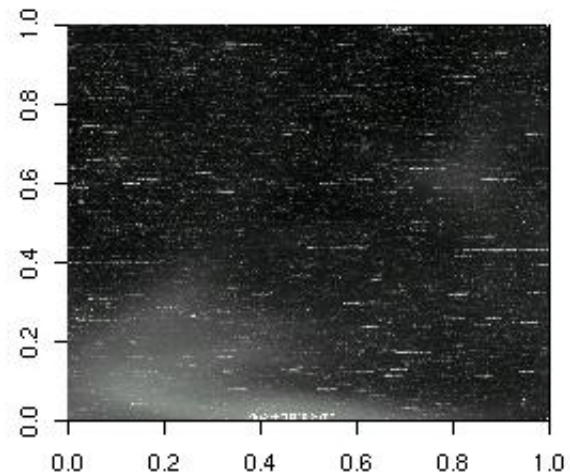
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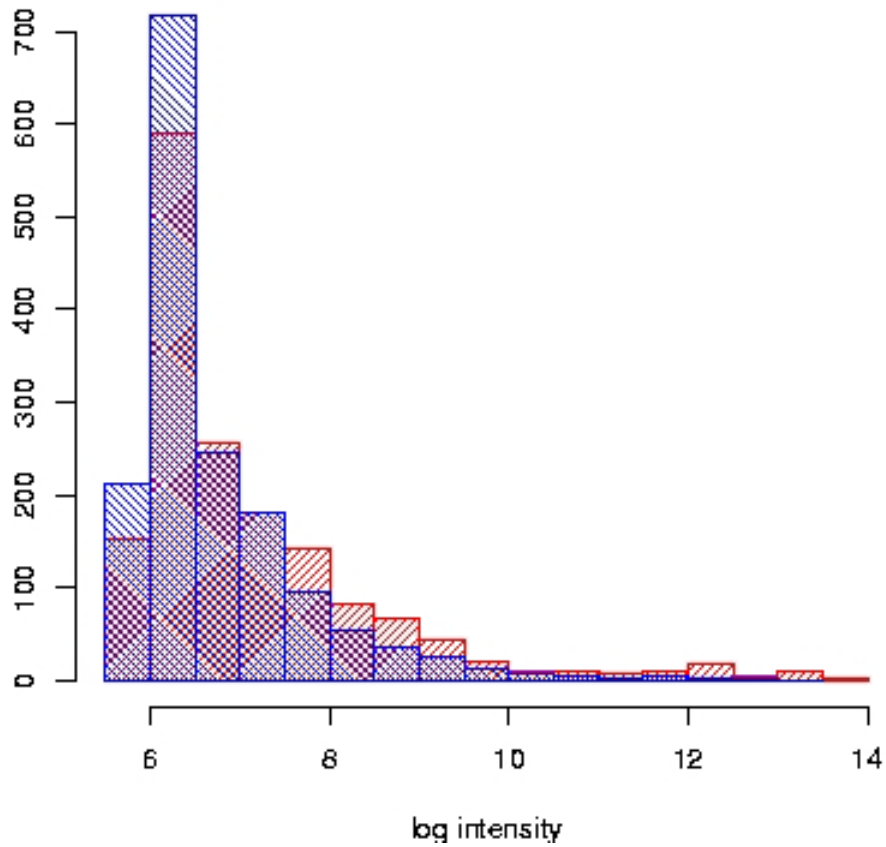


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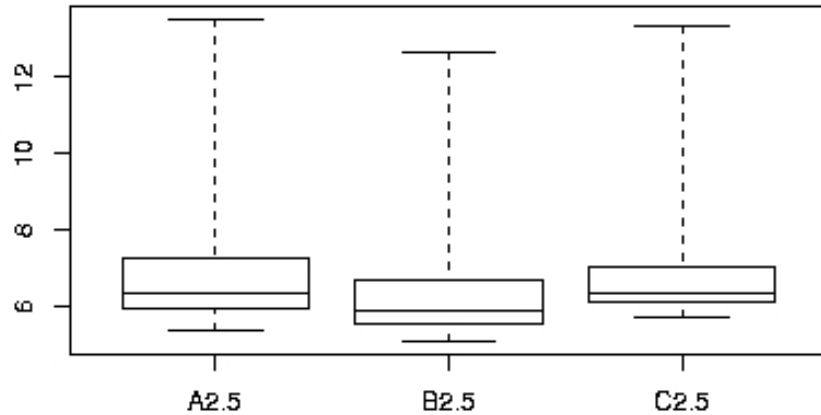
hist

hg_u95a.cdf - C2.5

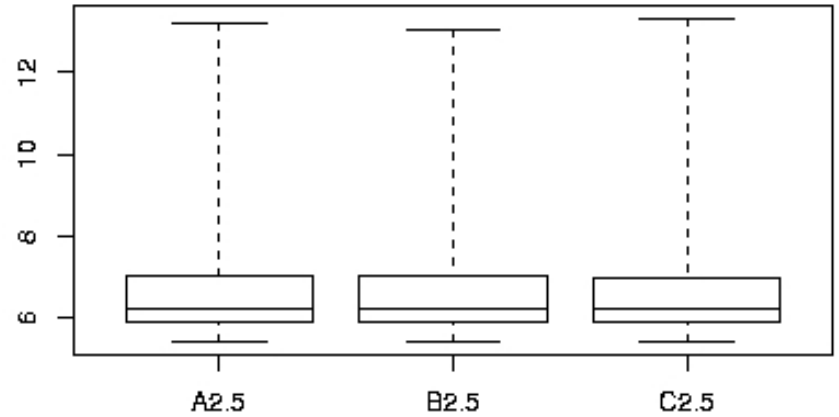


boxplot

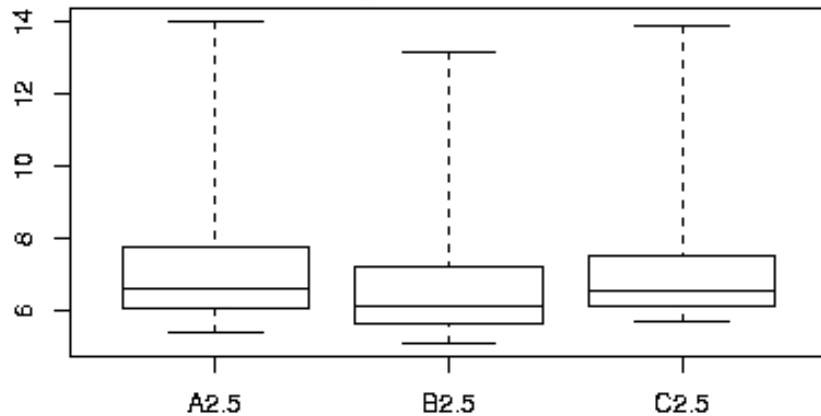
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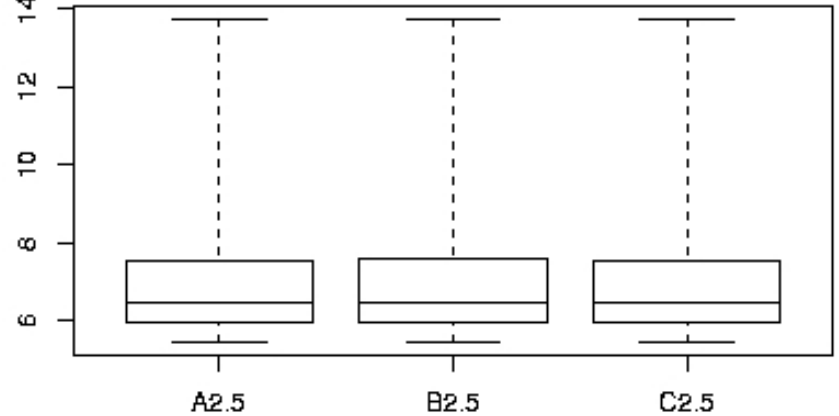
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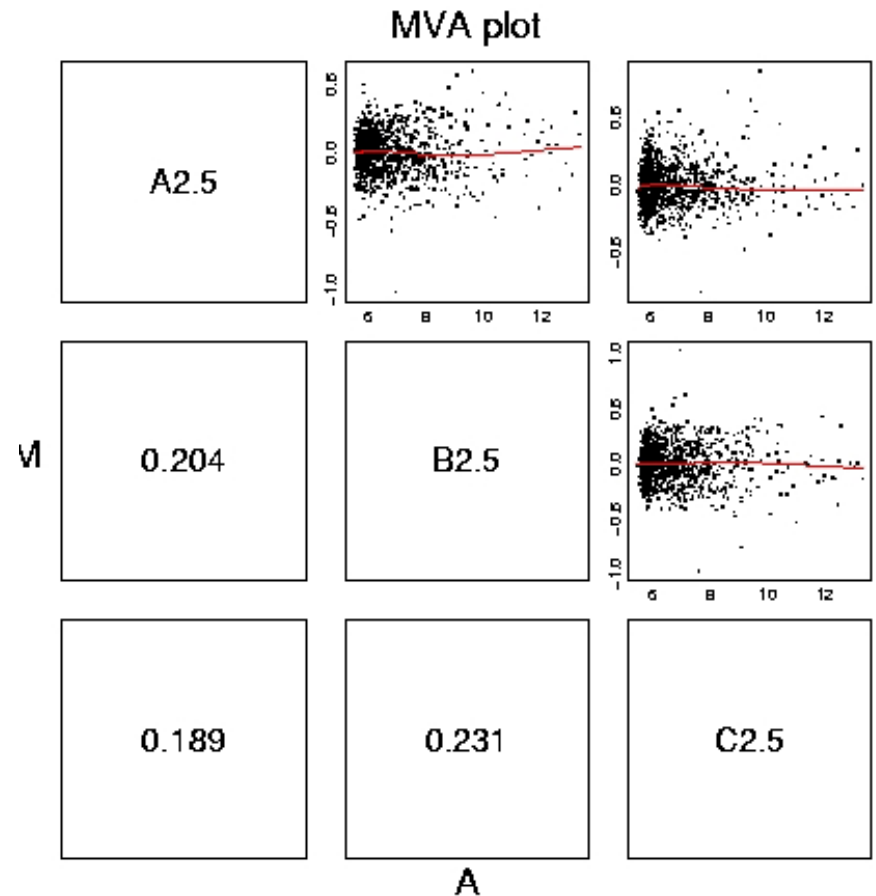
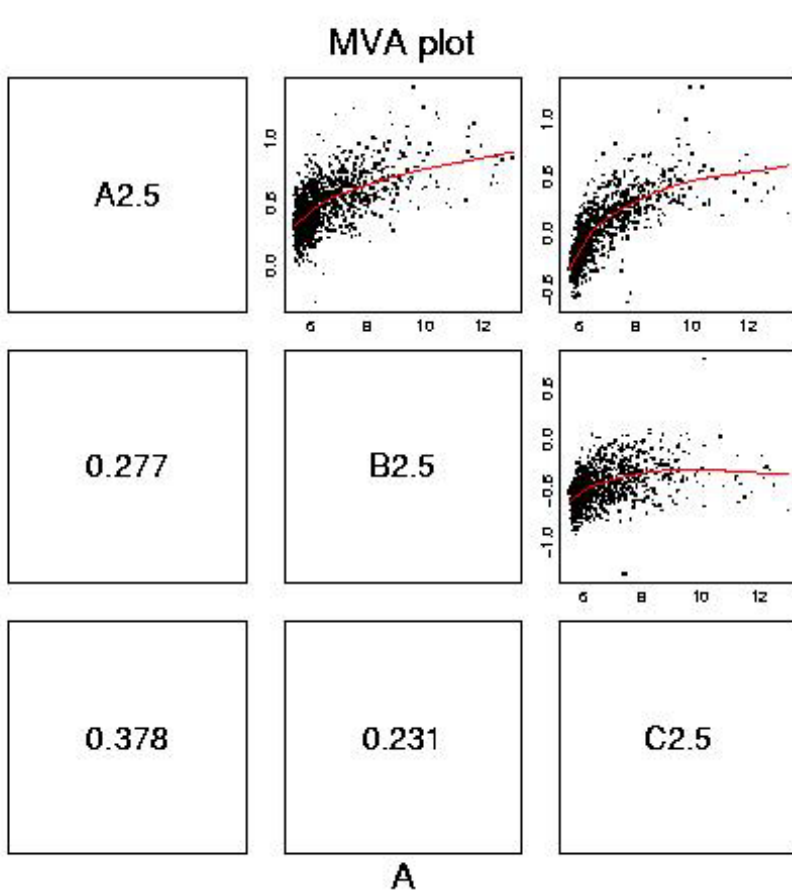
hg_u95a.cdf : PM



hg_u95a.cdf : PM



mva.pairs



Computing Expression express

- Works on probe level objects
- Takes as arguments
 - `Normalize` (TRUE or FALSE)
 - `Method` (method of normalization)
 - `bg` (arbitrary function that performs an action on pm, mm matrix)
 - `Summary` (arbitrary function to summarize columns, e.g. `medpolish`)