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Analysis of Microarray Data

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Lecture 12: Reporting and Comparing Diff Exp

- Annotation and Reporting of Data
- Comparing ALL and MLL
- The ClassComparison Package
- Comparing processing methods
 - Shedden et al.
 - Wilcoxon rank-sum tests
 - Thresholds
 - Cope et al.

Assembling a Real Report

We have the Gene ids from last time. *Now what?*

We need annotation. These are available in R as a set of database environments, from which we can grab relevant entries.

```
> library("annaffy")
Loading required package: GO.db
Loading required package: AnnotationDbi
Loading required package: DBI
Loading required package: KEGG.db
> library("hgu95av2.db")
> ls("package:hgu95av2.db")
```

Some Grabbable Things

CHR, CHRLOC, OMIM, REFSEQ, etc.

These can be pulled into vectors using `mget`, and then arranged into tables using yet another package.

```
> syms <- unlist(mget(probeids,  
                      hgu95av2SYMBOL) )  
> entrezIDs <- unlist(mget(  
                      probeids, hgu95av2ENTREZID) )  
> library("annotate")
```

Make a Web Page

```
> geneList <- list(probeids);  
> repository <- list("affy");  
> otherNames <- list(syms, entrezIDs);  
> head <- c("Probe ID", "Symbol", "EntrezID");  
> fileName <- "out1.html";  
> htmlpage(genelist = geneList, filename =  
  fileName, title="ALL Interesting",  
  othernames = otherNames,  
  table.head = head,  
  repository = repository)
```

Note: the elements in geneList will be live links!

The Output

Differentially Expressed Genes

ALL Interesting

1636_g_at	ABL1	25
39730_at	ABL1	25
1635_at	ABL1	25
40202_at	KLF9	687
37027_at	AHNAK	79026
39837_s_at	ZNF467	168544
40480_s_at	FYN	2534
33774_at	CASP8	841
36591_at	TUBA1	7277
37014_at	MX1	4599

```
<TD> <A HREF="https://www.affymetrix.com/
LinkServlet?&probeset=1636_g_at">1636_g_at
</A></TD> <TD>ABL1</TD><TD>25</TD>
```

More Details

The Affy links take you to NetAffx; you must log in there to see the details.

For `htmlpage`, values to be linked must come first.

Calling this function without a list of values to be linked (ie, all columns are “othernames”) will break.

More than one set of links can be included in a single table; every such set requires us to specify a *repository*.

What repositories are there?

help for `htmlpage`:

repository: A list of repositories to use for creating the hypertext links. Currently available repositories include 'gb' (GenBank), 'en' (EntrezGene), 'omim' (Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man), 'sp' (SwissProt), 'affy' (Affymetrix), 'ug' (UniGene), 'fb' (FlyBase), 'go' (Gene Ontology), 'ens' (Ensembl). Additional repositories can easily be added. See `setRepository` for more information.

Getting More Sophisticated

The annaffy package contains quite a few more accessors for different types of databases and information. These begin with “aaf” (Annotation for AFfy), and return lists of information.

```
library(annaffy)  
help(package=annaffy)
```

A sublist (all prefixed by aaf): ChromLoc, Chromosome, Cytoband, Description, GenBank, GO, LocusLink, Pathway, Probe, PubMed, Symbol, UniGene.

Mapping

Most queries share a common syntax:

```
> ALLbands <- aafCytoband(probeids,  
                           "hgu95av2.db");  
> ALLbandLinks <- getURL(ALLbands);  
> ALLbandLinks[[1]]  
[1] "http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/mapview/  
    map_search.cgi?direct=on&idtype=gene&id=25"  
> ALLbands[[1]]  
An object of class "aafCytoband"  
@band "9q34.1"  
@gene "25"
```

Assembling a Table, Take 2

```
> aaf.handler()  
[1] "Probe"      "Symbol"      "Description"  
[4] "Chromosome" "Chromosome Location"  
[6] "GenBank"    "Gene"        "Cytoband"  
[9] "UniGene"    "PubMed"      "Gene Ontology"  
[12] "Pathway"  
> ALLTable <- aafTableAnn(probeids,  
                           "hgu95av2.db");
```

the argument “colnames” can be used to produce subsets of this output, or to rearrange the order.

Assembling a Table, Take 2

```
> ALLCols <- aaf.handler()[c(1:3, 8, 4:5)];  
> ALLTable2 <- aafTableAnn(probeids,  
    "hgu95av2.db", colnames=ALLCols);
```

These approaches produce tables which are lists of lists:

```
> ALLTable[[1]][[1]]
```

An object of class aafProbe

```
[1] "1636_g_at"
```

```
> ALLTable[[2]][[1]]
```

```
[1] "ABL1"
```

```
attr(,"class")
```

```
[1] "aafSymbol"
```

Making a Page, Take 2

```
> saveHTML(ALLTable, "out2.html")  
> saveHTML(ALLTable2, "out3.html")
```

Why do it twice?

The Sparse Page

Bioconductor Affymetrix Probe Listing

Probe	Symbol	Description	Function	Chromosome	Chromosome Location	GenBank	LocusLink	Cytoband
1636_g_at	ABL1	v-abl Abelson murine leukemia viral oncogene homolog 1		9	130740384, 130618821	U07563	25	9q34.1

The Dense Page

Bioconductor Affymetrix Probe Listing

Probe	Symbol	Description	Cytoband	Chromosome	Chromosome Location
1636_g_at	ABL1	v-abl Abelson murine leukemia viral oncogene homolog 1	9q34.1	9	130740384, 130618821
39730_at	ABL1	v-abl Abelson murine leukemia viral oncogene homolog 1	9q34.1	9	130740384, 130618821
1635_at	ABL1	v-abl Abelson murine leukemia viral oncogene homolog 1	9q34.1	9	130740384, 130618821
40202_at	KLF9	Kruppel-like factor 9	9q13	9	-70229068
37027_at	AHNAK	AHNAK nucleoprotein (desmoyokin)	11q12.2	11	-62039950, -61957591
39837_s_at	ZNF467	zinc finger protein 467	7q36.1	7	-148899099
40480_s_at	FYN	FYN oncogene related to SRC, FGR, YES	6q21	6	-112089179, -112089186
33774_at	CASP8	caspase 8, apoptosis-related cysteine peptidase	2q33-q34	2	201923686, 201948284, 201950747, 201923693
36591_at	TUBA1	tubulin, alpha 1 (testis specific)	2q35	2	-219940505
37014_at	MX1	myxovirus (influenza virus) resistance 1, interferon-inducible protein p78 (mouse)	21q22.3	21	41720023
39329_at	ACTN1	actinin, alpha 1	14q24.1-q24.2 14q24 14q22-q24	14	-68410792
32542_at	FHL1	four and a half LIM domains 1	Xq26	X	134955199
40051_at	TRAM2	translocation associated membrane protein 2	6p21.1-p12	6	-52470160
		FYN oncogene related to SRC, FGR, YES			112089179

Comparing ALL and MLL

Early in the course, we looked at the ALL-MLL-AML data from the paper by Armstrong et al. in *Nature Genetics*, 2002; 30:41-47.

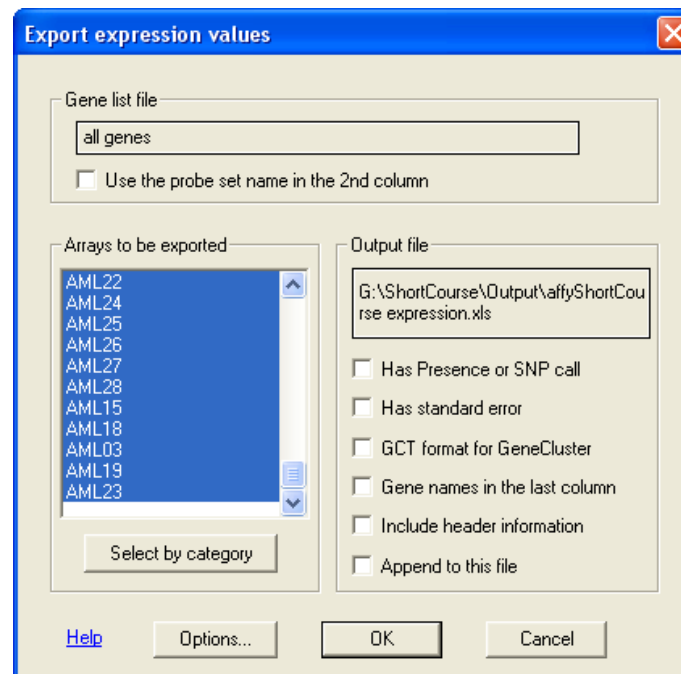
We learned that the AML samples were run on the U95Av2 chip, while the ALL and MLL samples were run on the U95A. We processed all the data in dChip (using a probe mask file to combine the two array types).

To analyze the data, we clustered the samples. We found ~ 600 differentially expressed genes between ALL and MLL.

We're now going to export the dChip data and load it into R.

Exporting all the data from dChip

1. Use menu “Tools” – > “Export Expression Value”.
2. Select “all genes”
3. Press “OK”



Starting in R

Load the `affy` package.

```
> require(affy)
```

```
Loading required package: affy
```

```
Loading required package: Biobase
```

```
Loading required package: tools
```

```
Welcome to Bioconductor
```

```
Vignettes contain introductory material. To view
```

```
simply type: openVignette()
```

```
For details on reading vignettes, see  
the openVignette help page.
```

```
Loading required package: reposTools
```

```
[1] TRUE
```

Load the Sample Information file

```
> # remember where the data lives
> home <- 'g:/ShortCourse'
> # use the same sample info file we made for dCh
> si <- read.table(file.path(home, 'InfoFiles',
+                           'krc-sample-info.xls'),
+                 header=TRUE, sep='\t')
> si[1:5,]
```

	Scan.name	type	Split
ALL01	CL2001011101AA	ALL	Training
ALL02	CL2001011104AA	ALL	Training
ALL03	CL2001011105AA	ALL	Training
ALL04	CL2001011108AA	ALL	Training
ALL05	CL2001011109AA	ALL	Training

Load dChip's array file

```
> arrays <- read.table(file.path(home, 'Output',  
                                'affyShortCourse arrays.xls'),  
+                      header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE, sep='\t')  
> # Fix the column names!  
> dimnames(arrays)[[2]] <-  
+   c(dimnames(arrays)[[2]][2:8], 'x')  
> # Use the sample name as the row name  
> dimnames(arrays)[[1]] <- arrays$Array  
> # Only keep useful columns  
> arrays <- arrays[, 3:6]  
> # Give them sensible names  
> dimnames(arrays)[[2]] <- c('MedianIntensity',  
+ 'PercentPresent', 'ArrayOutlier',  
+ 'SingleOutlier')
```

Combine sample information

```
> # Merge sample info with dChip info
> si <- merge(si, arrays, by='row.names',
+           sort=FALSE)
> # Sigh. Fix the row names yet again.
> dimnames(si)[[1]] <- si$Row.names
> # Remove redundant columns
> si <- si[, 2:8]
> rm(arrays) # cleanup
```

Note that the order has changed!

```
> si[1:5,]
```

	Scan.name	type	Split	MedianIntensity
ALL01	CL2001011101AA	ALL	Training	1497
ALL24	CL2001011102AA	ALL	Test	1190
ALL02	CL2001011104AA	ALL	Training	1778
ALL03	CL2001011105AA	ALL	Training	1097
ALL04	CL2001011108AA	ALL	Training	1489

	PercentPresent	ArrayOutlier	SingleOutlier
ALL01	48.2	1.648	0.099
ALL24	38.3	3.778	0.432
ALL02	49.5	1.450	0.144
ALL03	36.8	3.152	0.375
ALL04	38.7	5.299	0.216

Specialized factors

```
> # make a factor to compare ALL vs MLL
> temp <- si$type
> temp[temp=='AML'] <- NA
> si$ALLvMLL <- factor(temp)
>
> temp <- si$type
> temp[temp=='MLL'] <- NA
> si$ALLvAML <- factor(temp)
>
> temp <- si$type
> temp[temp=='ALL'] <- NA
> si$MLLvAML <- factor(temp)
```

```
> temp <- si$type
> temp[temp=='AML'] <- 'Other'
> temp[temp=='MLL'] <- 'Other'
> si$ALLvOther <- factor(temp)
>
> temp <- si$type
> temp[temp=='ALL'] <- 'Other'
> temp[temp=='MLL'] <- 'Other'
> si$AMLvOther <- factor(temp)
>
> temp <- si$type
> temp[temp=='AML'] <- 'Other'
> temp[temp=='ALL'] <- 'Other'
> si$MLLvOther <- factor(temp)
>
```

```
> si$type <- factor(si$type)
```

```
> summary(si)
```

Scan.name	type	Split
Length:72	ALL:24	Length:72
Class :character	AML:28	Class :character
Mode :character	MLL:20	Mode :character

MedianIntensity	PercentPresent	ArrayOutlier
Min. : 804	Min. :28.30	Min. : 0.253
1st Qu.:1222	1st Qu.:36.80	1st Qu.: 0.729
Median :1442	Median :41.10	Median : 1.085
Mean :1483	Mean :40.46	Mean : 1.724
3rd Qu.:1727	3rd Qu.:44.83	3rd Qu.: 1.697
Max. :3097	Max. :49.80	Max. :14.337

SingleOutlier	ALLvMLL	ALLvAML	MLLvAML
Min. :0.0440	ALL :24	ALL :24	AML :28
1st Qu.:0.1610	MLL :20	AML :28	MLL :20
Median :0.2405	NA's:28	NA's:20	NA's:24
Mean :0.2741			
3rd Qu.:0.3460			
Max. :0.9520			

ALLvOther	AMLvOther	MLLvOther
ALL :24	AML :28	MLL :20
Other:48	Other:44	Other:52

Create the phenoData object

```
> pd <- new('phenoData', pData=si, varLabels=list
+   Scan.name='CEL file name',
+   type='Histological classification',
+   Split='Used as training or test',
+   MedianIntensity='Unnormalized median brightness',
+   PercentPresent='Percentage of present calls',
+   ArrayOutlier='Percentage of Array Outliers',
+   SingleOutlier='Percentage of Single Outliers',
+   ALLvMLL='binary classifier',
+   ALLvAML='binary classifier',
+   MLLvAML='binary classifier',
+   ALLvOtherL='binary classifier',
+   AMLvOther='binary classifier',
+   MLLvOther='binary classifier'))
```

Create the MIAME object

MIAME = minimum information about a microarray experiment

Some of the BioConductor routines require a MIAME object, even though they will let you submit a character string as a description.

```
> miame <- new('MIAME',  
+             name='SA Armstrong',  
+             lab='Lander-Golub',  
+             title='MLL translocations')
```

Read in the data from dChip

```
> temp <- read.table(file.path(home, 'Output',  
+                        'affyShortCourse expression.xls'),  
+                    header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE, sep='\t',  
+                    quote='', comment.char='')  
> # expression data in the later columns  
> data <- as.matrix(temp[, 6:77])  
> # gene identifiers in the first five columns  
> gi <- temp[, 1:5]  
> # Use probe sets as row names  
> dimnames(gi)[[1]] <- gi$probe.set  
> dimnames(data)[[1]] <- gi$probe.set
```

Check that the order agrees

We noticed that the order of entries in the sample info file had changed when we merged it with the dChip array information. Just to be on the safe side, we should make sure that the order of the data columns matches the sample info rows.

```
> sum(dimnames(si)[[1]] != dimnames(data)[[2]])  
[1] 0  
> sum(dimnames(si)[[1]] == dimnames(data)[[2]])  
[1] 72
```

dChip data to expressionSet

We can bring the dChip quantifications directly into R and turn them into an `expressionSet`. Note that this avoids the memory problems by not bringing in the individual CEL files and not producing an `AffyBatch`.

```
> dchip <- new('expressionSet',  
+             exprs=data,  
+             phenoData=pd,  
+             annotation='hgu95av2',  
+             description=miame,  
+             notes='processed by KRC in dChip')  
> rm(temp, data, si) # cleanup
```

justRMA

Meanwhile, we also loaded the CEL files and processed the data using `just.rma`. Since you will have done that in the homework, I am not going to put the code to do that here. In our analysis, the `expressionSet` created by `just.rma` was named `rmaData`.

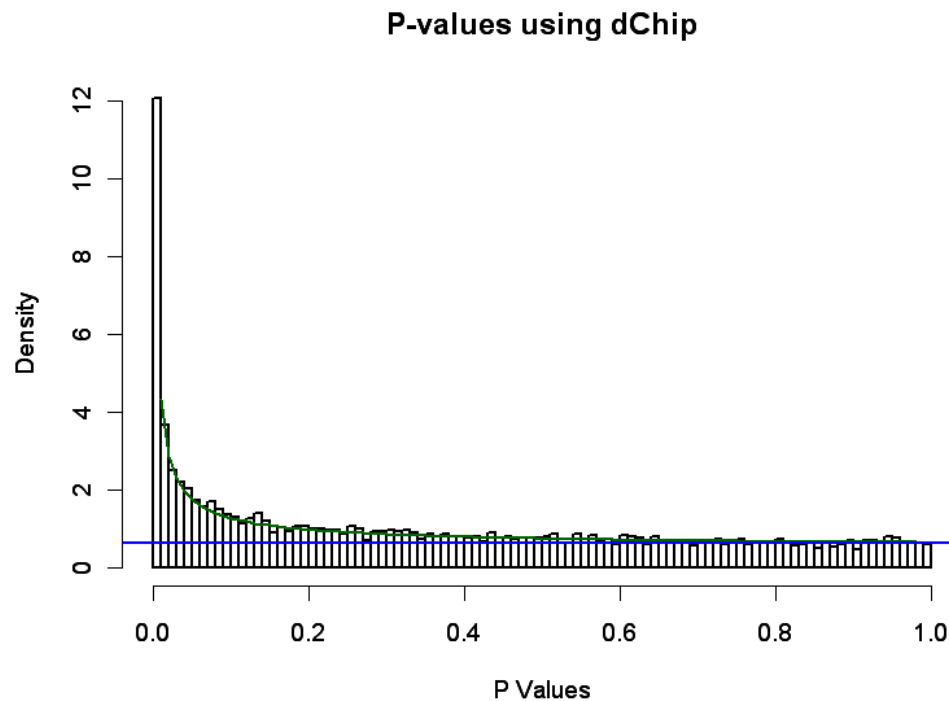
We are now going to start comparing the results of these two processing methods with respect to finding differentially expressed genes.

The ClassComparison Package

```
> require(ClassComparison)
Loading required package: ClassComparison
Loading required package: splines
Loading required package: oompaBase
Loading required package: PreProcess
Creating a new generic function for 'plot' in
  'PreProcess'
Creating a new generic function for 'print' in
  'PreProcess'
Creating a new generic function for 'as.data.frame'
  in 'PreProcess'
[1] TRUE
```

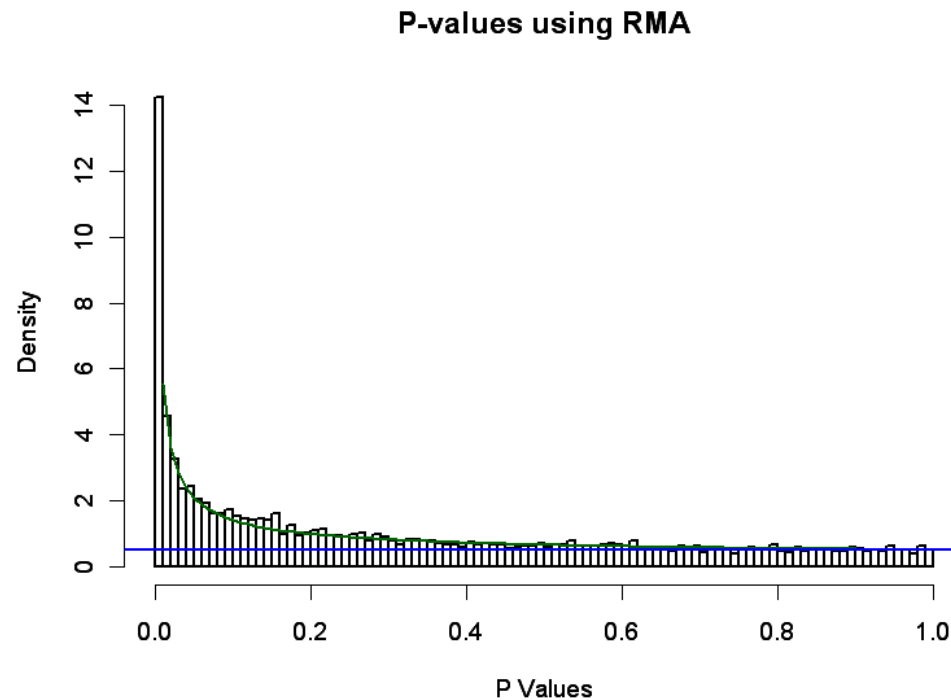
T-test, take one

```
> notAML <- pd@pData$type != 'AML'  
> dchip.t <- MultiTtest(dchip[, notAML], 'ALLvMLL')  
> dchip.b <- Bum(dchip.t@p.values)  
> hist(dchip.b, main='P-values using dChip')
```



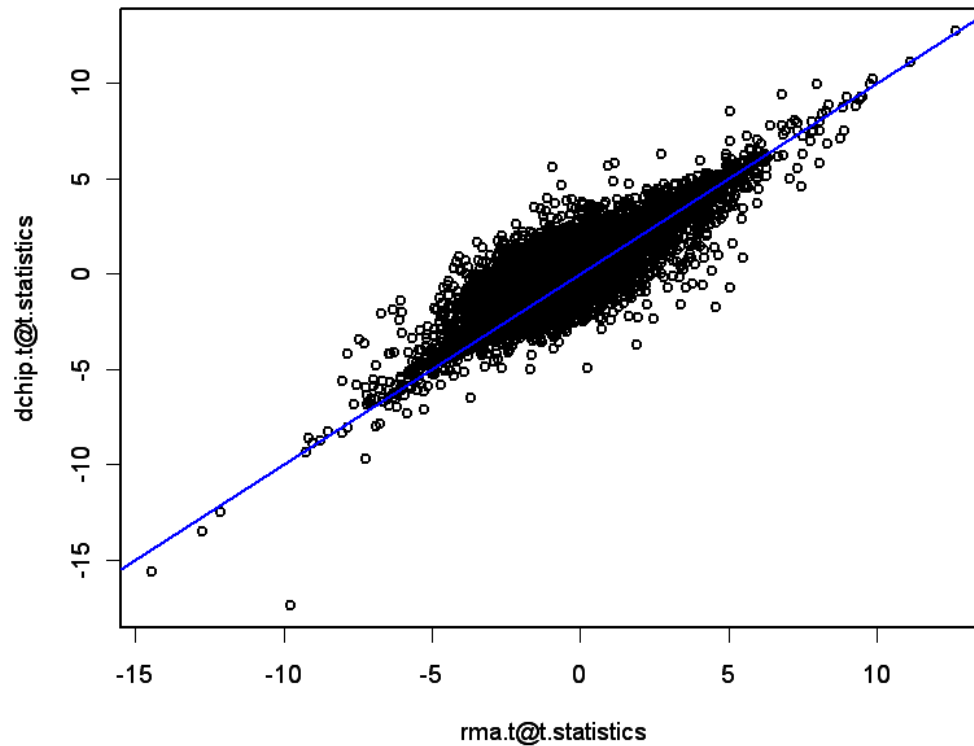
T-test, take two

```
> rma.t <- MultiTtest(rmaData[, notAML], 'ALLvMLL')  
> rma.b <- Bum(rma.t@p.values)  
> hist(rma.b, main='P-values using RMA')
```



Do the two methods agree?

```
> plot(rma.t@t.statistics, dchip.t@t.statistics)  
> abline(0,1, col='blue')
```



How do we tell if the methods agree?

We have seen that the BUM plots for t-tests when we used different quantifications methods look similar. We have also seen that the t-statistics roughly agree, in the sense that they more or less follow the identity line. The haze around that line is rather “fat”, however, which suggests that the exact lists of genes we get with the two methods may not be quite the same. Here’s one difference:

```
> alpha <- 0.05
> countSignificant(dchip.b, alpha=alpha, by='FDR')
[1] 1520
> countSignificant(rma.b, alpha=alpha, by='FDR')
[1] 2353
```

Try a smaller FDR

```
> alpha <- 0.01
> countSignificant(dchip.b, alpha=alpha, by='FDR')
[1] 681
> countSignificant(rma.b, alpha=alpha, by='FDR')
[1] 992
```

There certainly appear to be a lot of differentially expressed genes. However, RMA seems to give us more genes than dChip at the same level of the False Discovery Rate. That already tells us something about the processing methods.

How much do the lists overlap?

```
> # logical vector: what does dChip find?
> dchip.01 <- selectSignificant(dchip.b,
+   alpha=alpha, by='FDR')
> # logical vector: what does RMA find?
> rma.01 <- selectSignificant(rma.b,
+   alpha=alpha, by='FDR')
> # Count the overlap
> sum(dchip.01 & rma.01)
[1] 563
> 563/681
[1] 0.8267254
```

Only 83% of the 681 genes found by dChip are contained in the larger list of genes found by RMA.

Comparing processing methods

So, the answers are “different”. Can we tell which is “better”?

The screenshot shows the Adobe Reader interface with the file [shedden2005.pdf] open. The document is a research article from BMC Bioinformatics, titled "Comparison of seven methods for producing Affymetrix expression scores based on False Discovery Rates in disease profiling data". The authors listed are Kerby Shedden, Wei Chen, Rork Kuick, Debashis Ghosh, James Macdonald, Kathleen R Cho, Thomas J Giordano, Stephen B Gruber, Eric R Fearon, Jeremy MG Taylor, and Samir Hanash. The article is marked as "Open Access". The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Document, Tools, Window, Help), a toolbar with various icons, and a sidebar with Bookmarks, Pages, Attachments, and Comments. The status bar at the bottom indicates "1 of 12" pages.

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Comparison of seven methods for producing Affymetrix expression scores based on False Discovery Rates in disease profiling data

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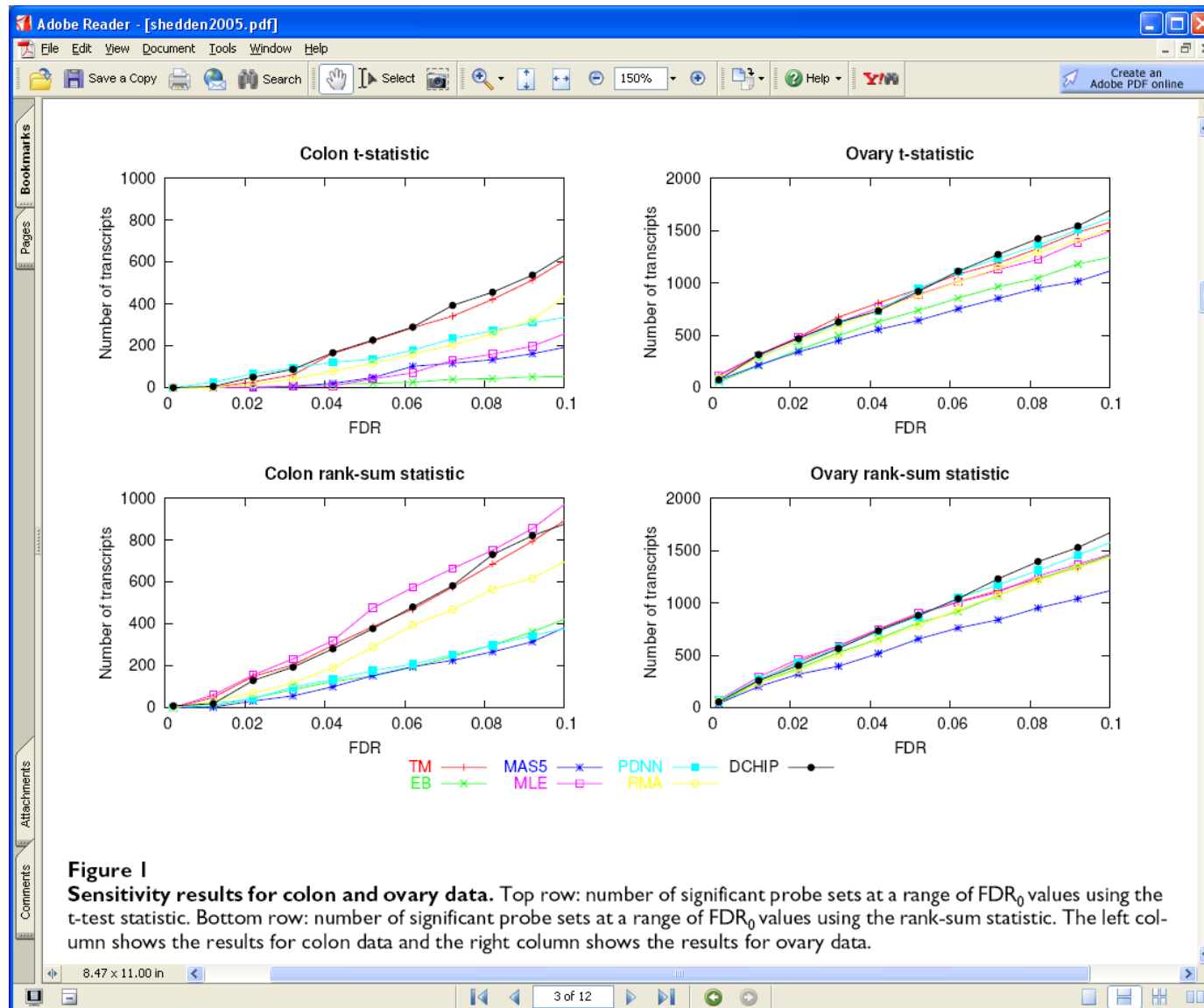
* Corresponding author

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Shedden et al., BMC Bioinformatics 2005; 6:26

- Methods
 - dChip
 - GCRMA-EB
 - GCRMA-MLE
 - MAS5
 - PDNN
 - RMA
 - trimmed mean (TM)
- Data Sets
 - 47 Colon cancer, U133A (40 MSS vs 7 MSI)
 - 79 Ovarian cancer, U133A (38 endo vs 41 serous)

Shedden Fig1: Number of probe sets by FDR



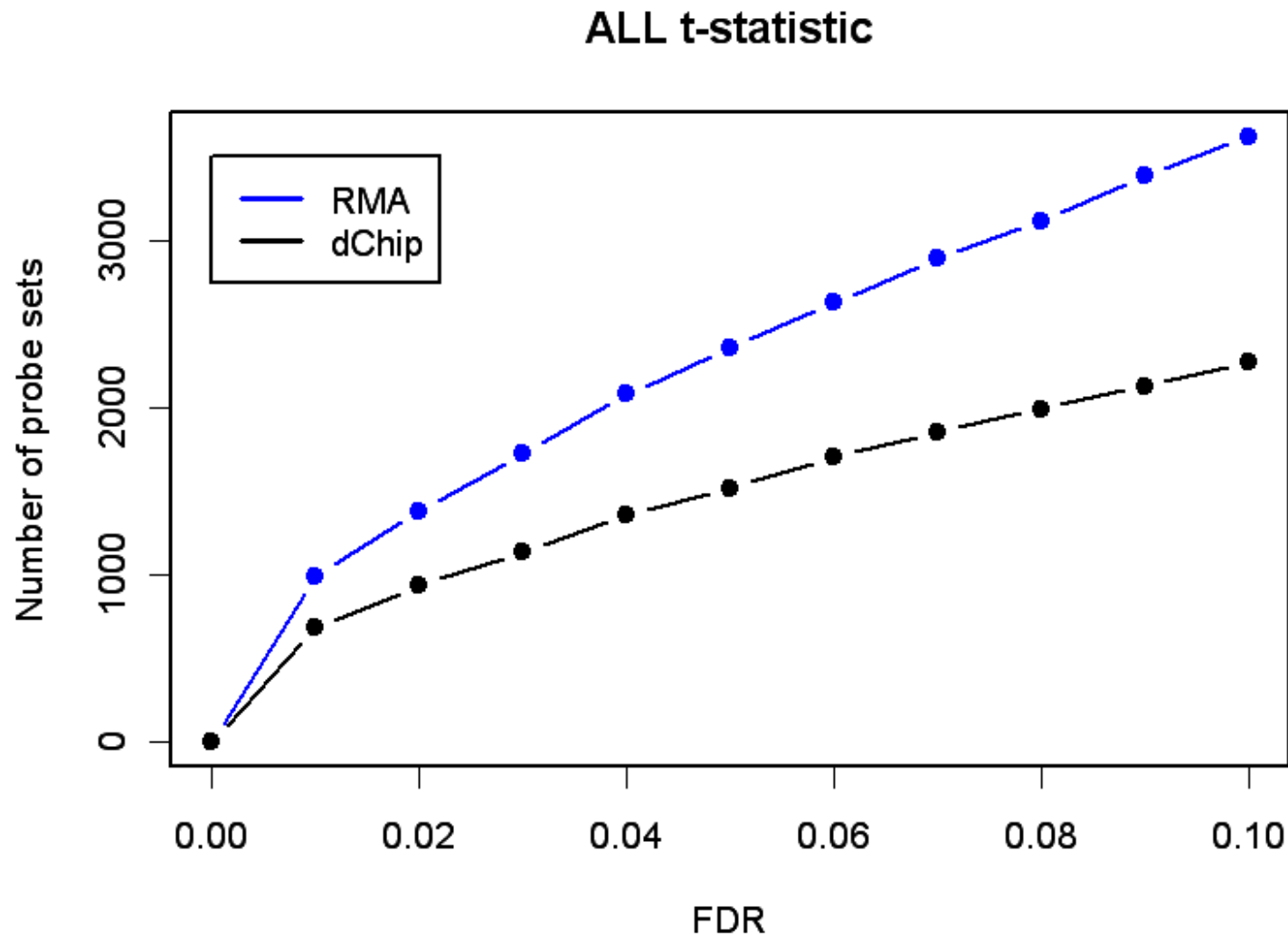
Same idea, ALL-MLL data set

```
> alpha <- seq(0, 0.1, by=0.01)
> f <- function(a, data) {
+   countSignificant(data, alpha=a, by='FDR')
+ }
>
> dchip.counts <- sapply(alpha, f, dchip.b)
> dchip.counts
[1]      0   681   936 1139 1356 1520 1703
[8] 1850 1990 2126 2266
> rma.counts <- sapply(alpha, f, rma.b)
> rma.counts
[1]      0   992 1379 1725 2078 2353 2623
[8] 2890 3112 3383 3618
```

Making the plot

```
> plot(alpha, rma.counts,  
+       xlab='FDR', ylab='Number of probe sets',  
+       main='ALL t-statistic', type='b',  
+       pch=16, col='blue')  
> lines(alpha, dchip.counts, type='b', pch=16)  
> legend(0, 3500, c('RMA', 'dChip'), lwd=3,  
+       col=c('blue', 'black'))
```

RMA gives more differences in this data set



Wilcoxon rank-sum tests

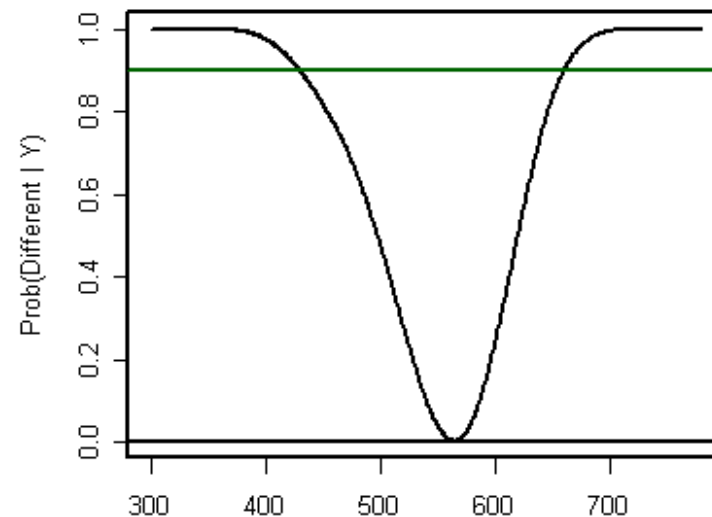
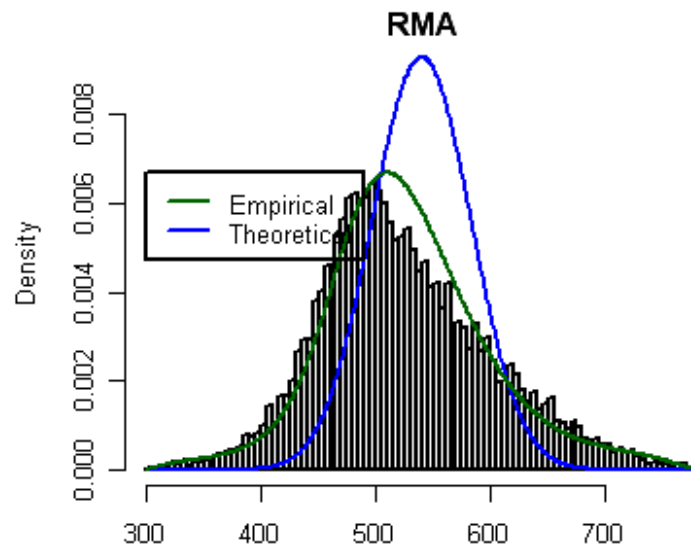
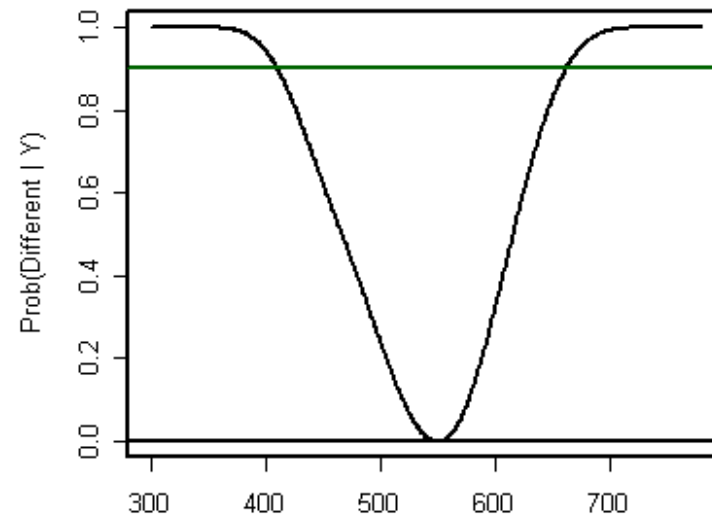
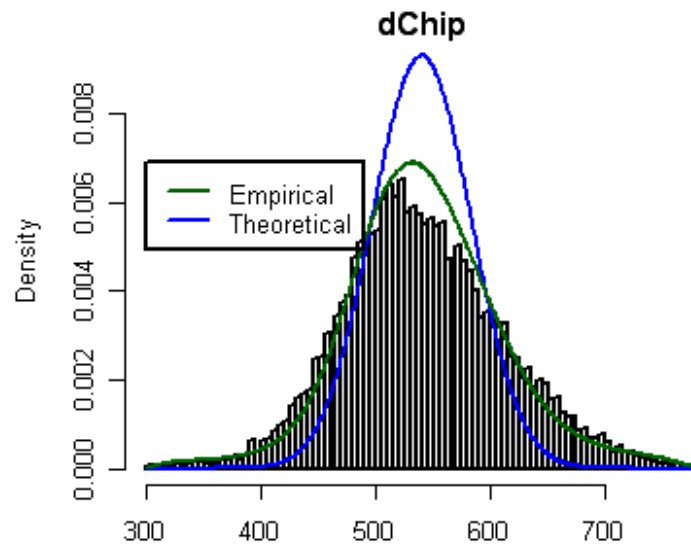
In the Shedden paper, they use a rank-sum statistic to test for differential expression, in addition to the t-statistic. To compute these statistics, we use the `MultiWilcoxonTest` function in the `ClassComparison` package.

```
> dchip.wil <- MultiWilcoxonTest(dchip[, notAML],  
+                               'ALLvMLL')  
> rma.wil <- MultiWilcoxonTest(rmaData[, notAML],  
+                               'ALLvMLL')
```

Summary plots from the Wilcoxon empirical Bayes

```
> opar <- par(mai=c(0.5, 0.7, 0.2, 0.2),  
+            mfrow=c(2,2))  
> hist(dchip.wil, main='dChip')  
> plot(dchip.wil, prior=0.725, ylim=c(0,1))  
> abline(h=0)  
> hist(rma.wil, main='RMA')  
> plot(rma.wil, prior=0.56, ylim=c(0,1))  
> abline(h=0)  
> par(opar)
```

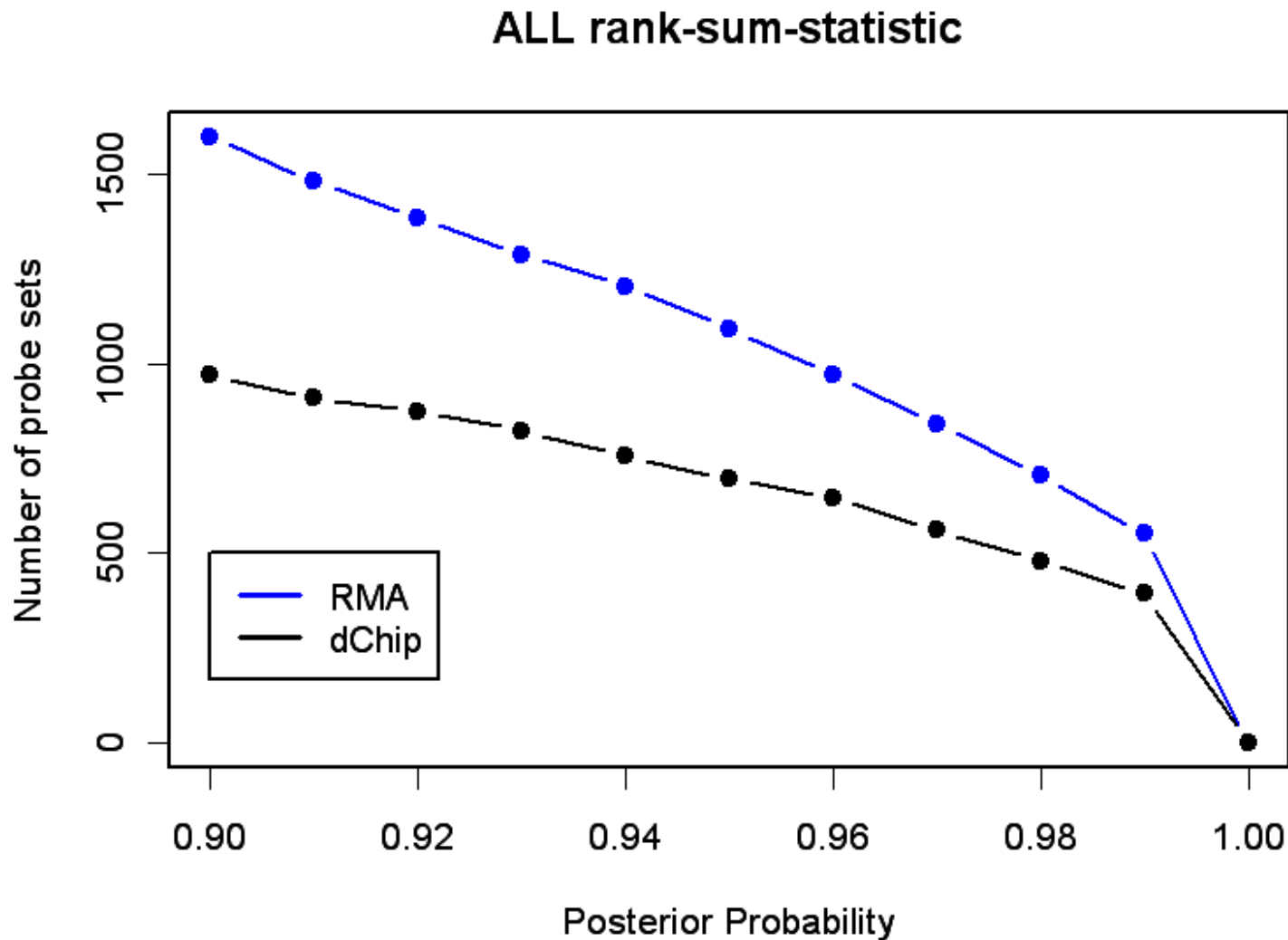
Why is the RMA version skewed?



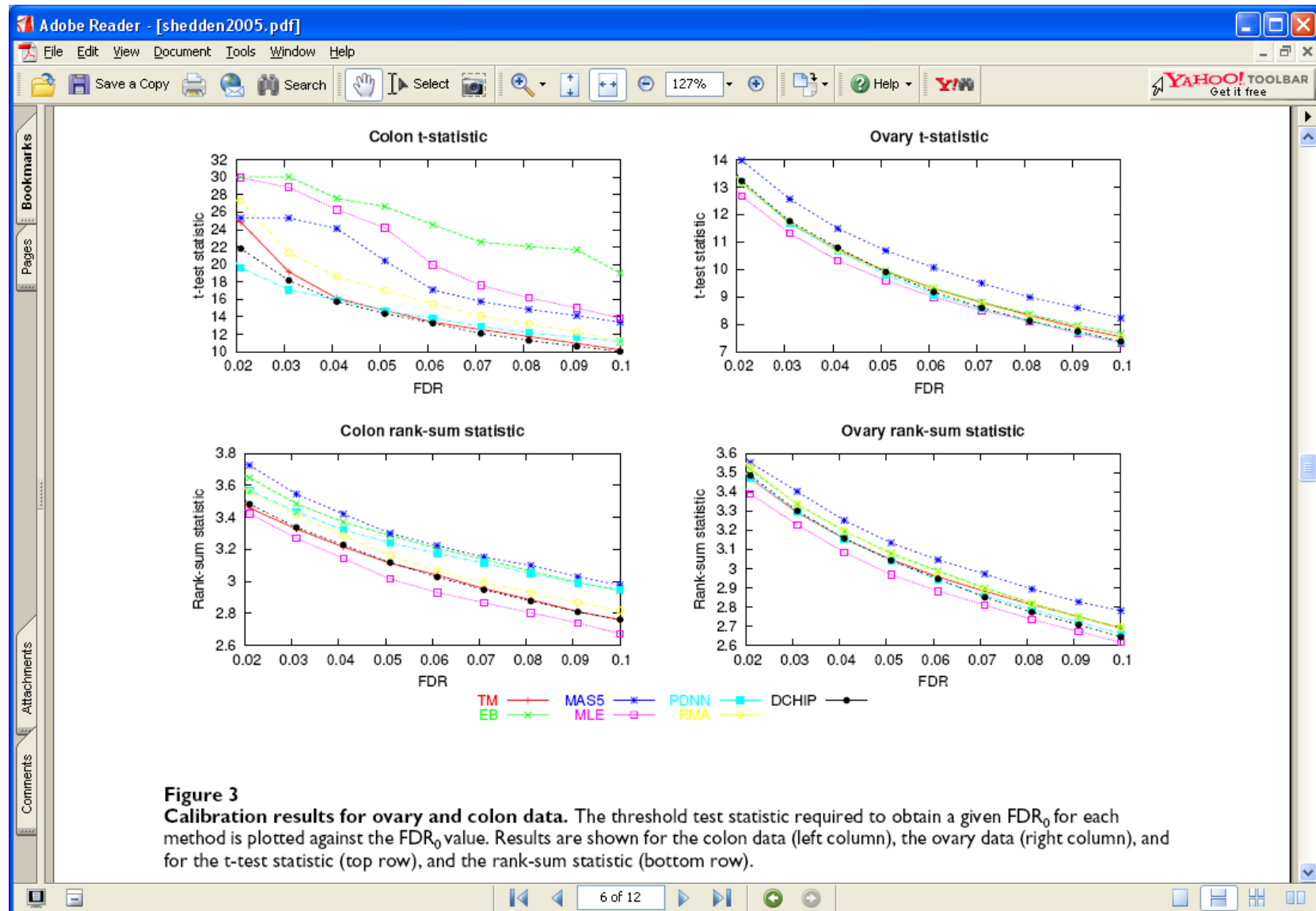
Counts as a function of posterior probability

```
> sig <- seq(1.0, 0.9, by=-0.01)
> f2 <- function(s, p, data) {
+   countSignificant(data, prior=p, signif=s)
+ }
> dchip.w.counts <- sapply(sig, f2, p =0.725,
+   data=dchip.wil)
> dchip.w.counts
[1]      0  394  481  562  648  695  756  824
[9]  874  908  971
> rma.w.counts <- sapply(sig, f2, p =0.56,
+   data=rma.wil)
> rma.w.counts
[1]      0  551  707  842  971 1091 1204 1288
[9] 1384 1479 1598
```

RMA still gives more differences

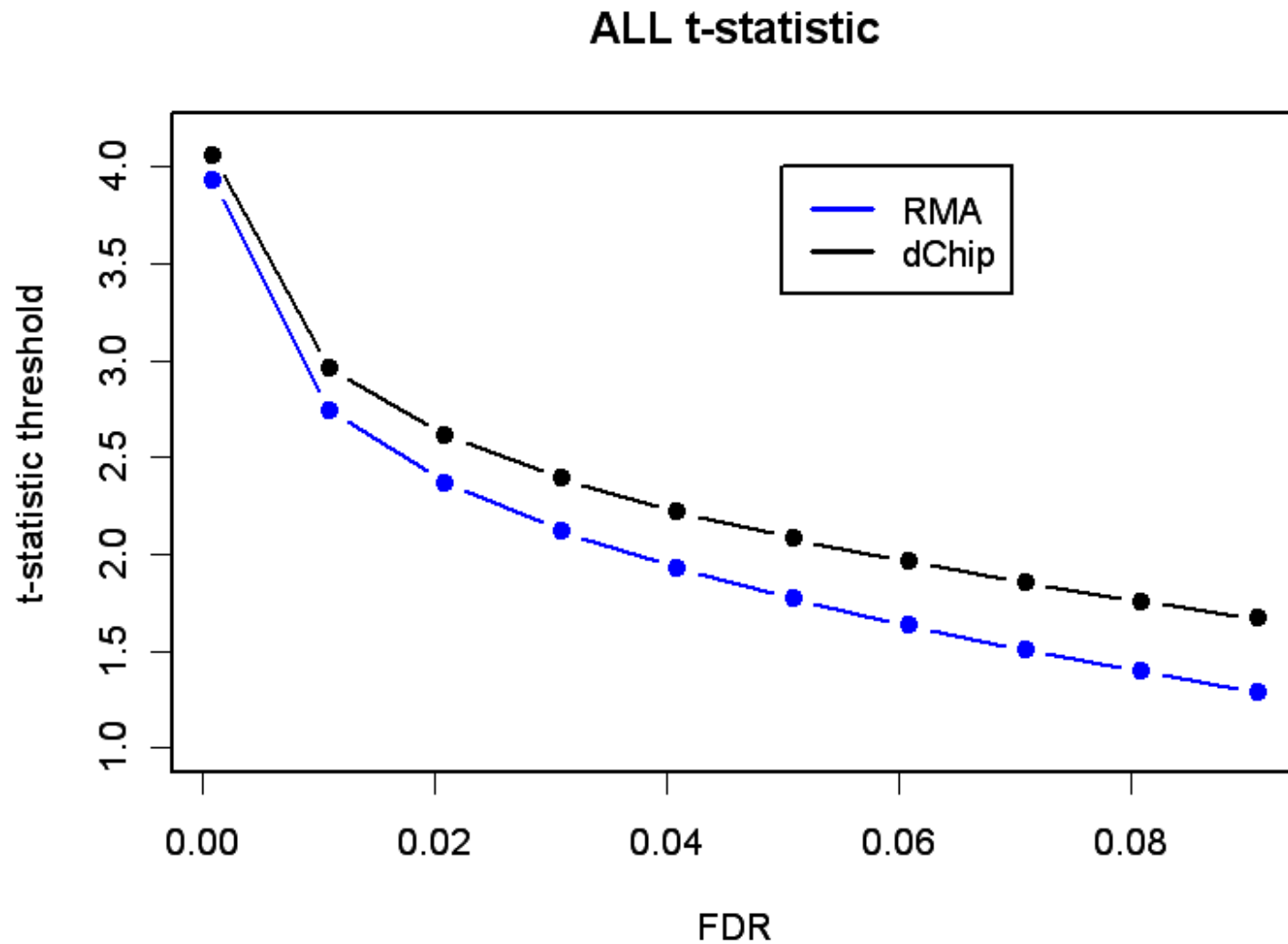


Shedden Fig3: Threshold Statistic by FDR

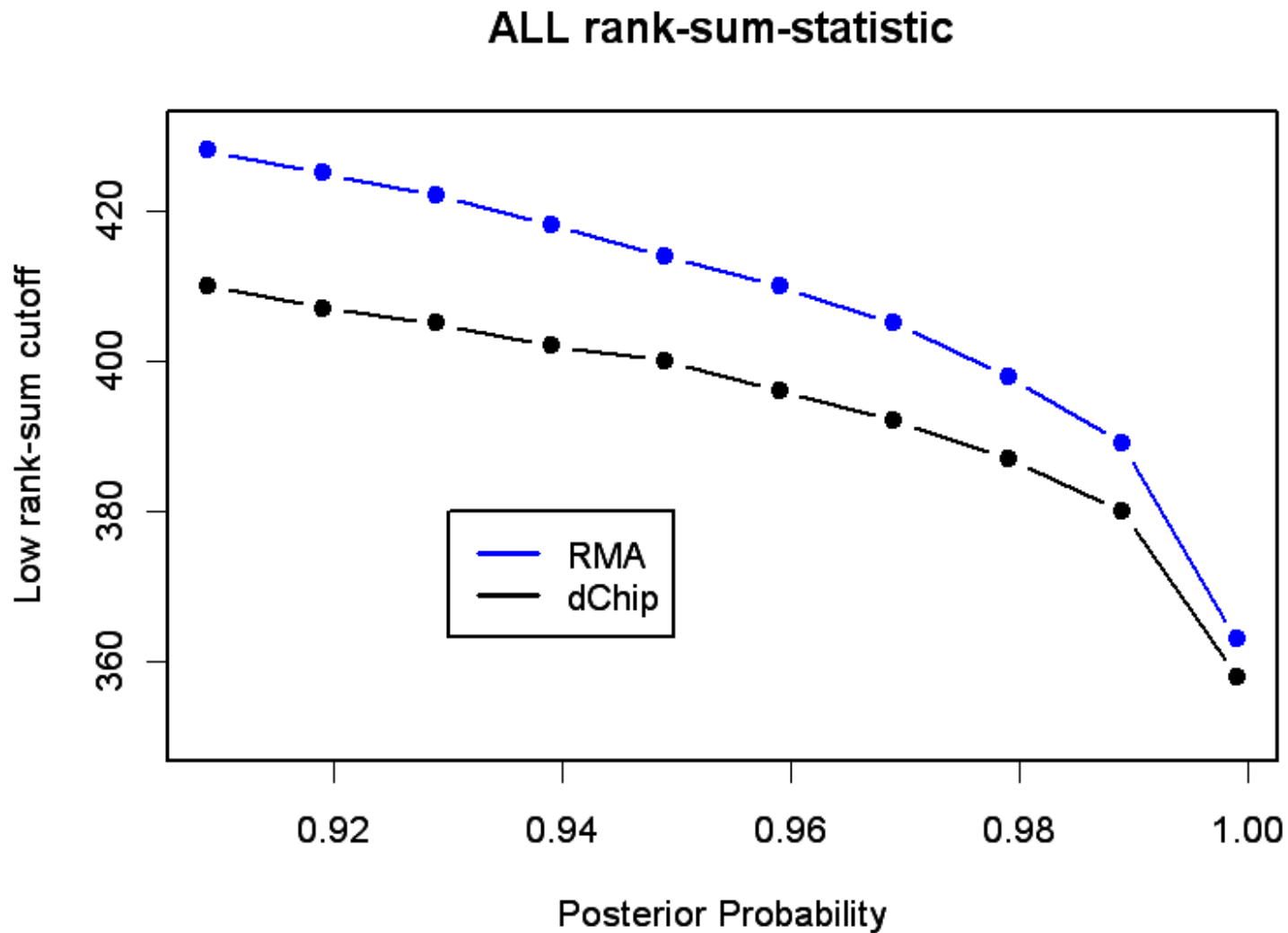


```
> alpha <- seq(0.001, 0.1, by=0.01)
> g <- function(a, data) {
+   pval <- cutoffSignificant(data, alpha=a,
+                             by='FDR')
+   qt(1-2*pval, 70)}
> dchip.cut <- sapply(alpha, g, dchip.b)
> rma.cut <- sapply(alpha, g, rma.b)
> plot(alpha, dchip.cut,
+       xlab='FDR', ylab='t-statistic threshold',
+       main='ALL t-statistic', type='b', pch=16,
+       ylim=c(1, 4.15))
> lines(alpha, rma.cut, type='b', pch=16,
+       col='blue')
> legend(0.05, 4, c('RMA', 'dChip'), lwd=3,
+       col=c('blue', 'black'))
```

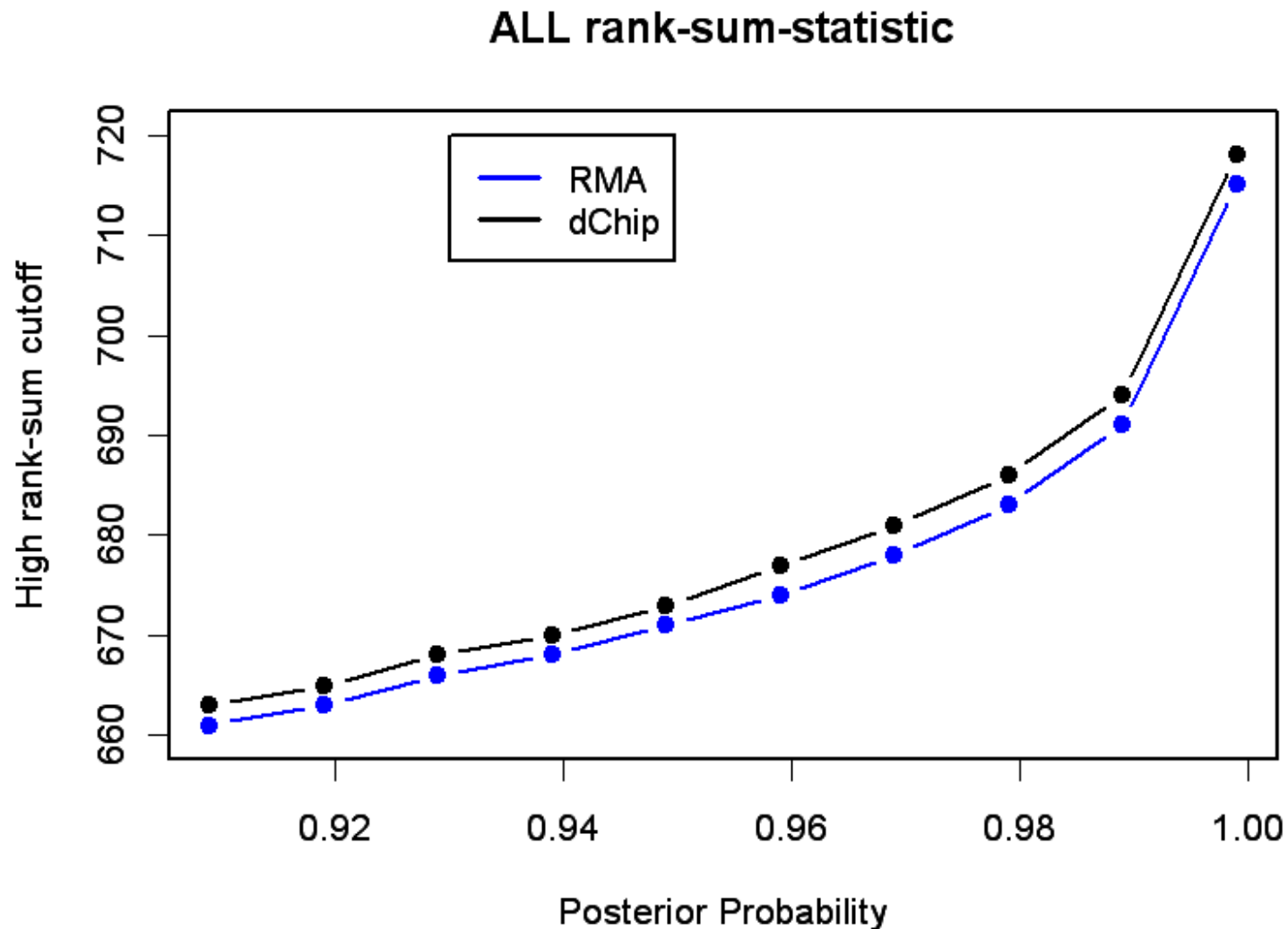
ALL T-Statistic Thresholds



ALL Rank-Sum Thresholds: Low



ALL Rank-Sum Thresholds: High



Calibration determines sensitivity

Shedden et al. found the same relation between sensitivity (number of probe sets called different at a given FDR) and calibration (threshold to call a probeset different at a given FDR) that we see.

Methods providing more sensitivity do so in part by lowering the threshold required to call the statistic significant.

They found that dChip and TM consistently outperformed other methods on their two data sets. We found that RMA is “more sensitive”.

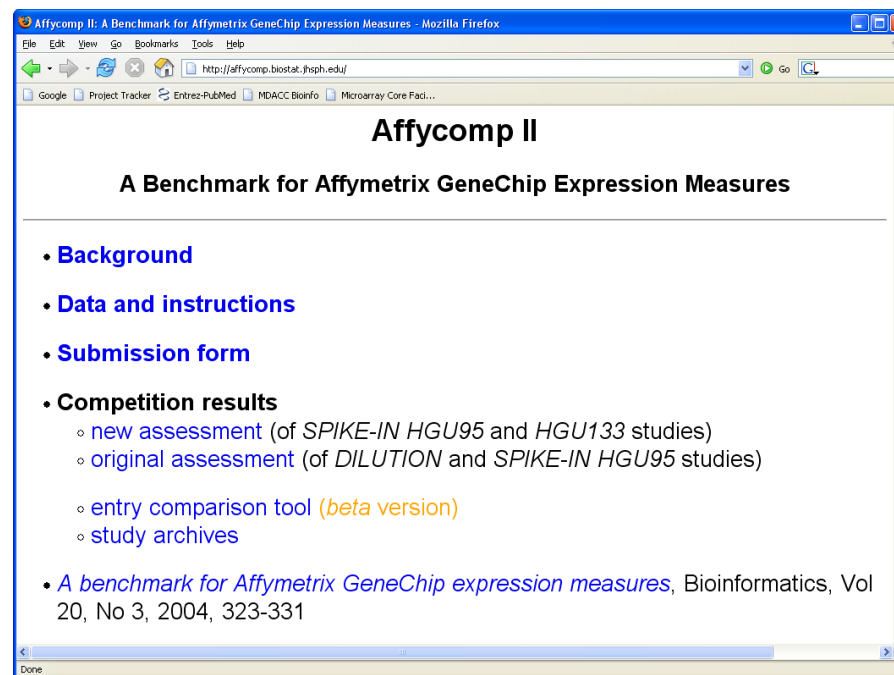
The choice of processing method has a bigger impact on differential expression than the t/Wilcoxon choice.

Cope et al., Bioinformatics, 2004; 20:323-331



Benchmarking methods using “calibration” data

An alternative approach to comparing the results of different processing methods relies on standard sets of spike-in experiments. The performance measures described by Cope et al, are available on a web site:

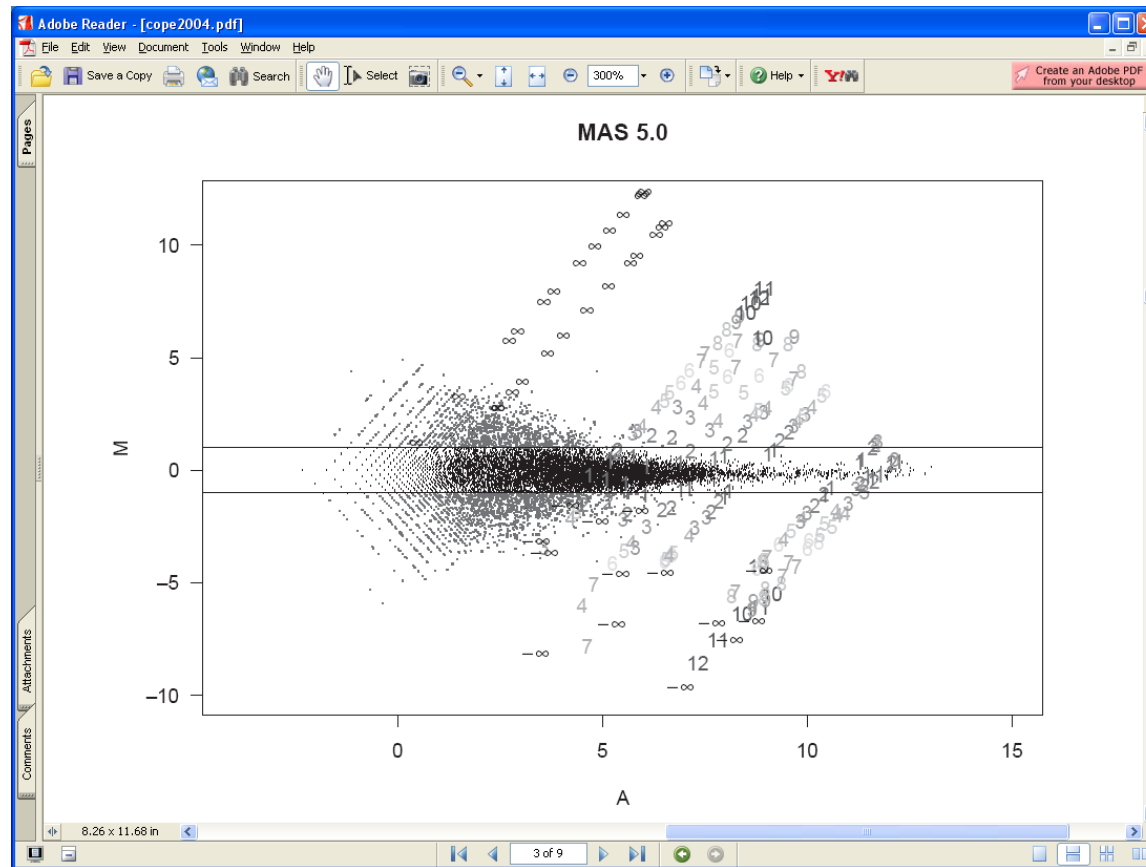


Canonical Test Sets

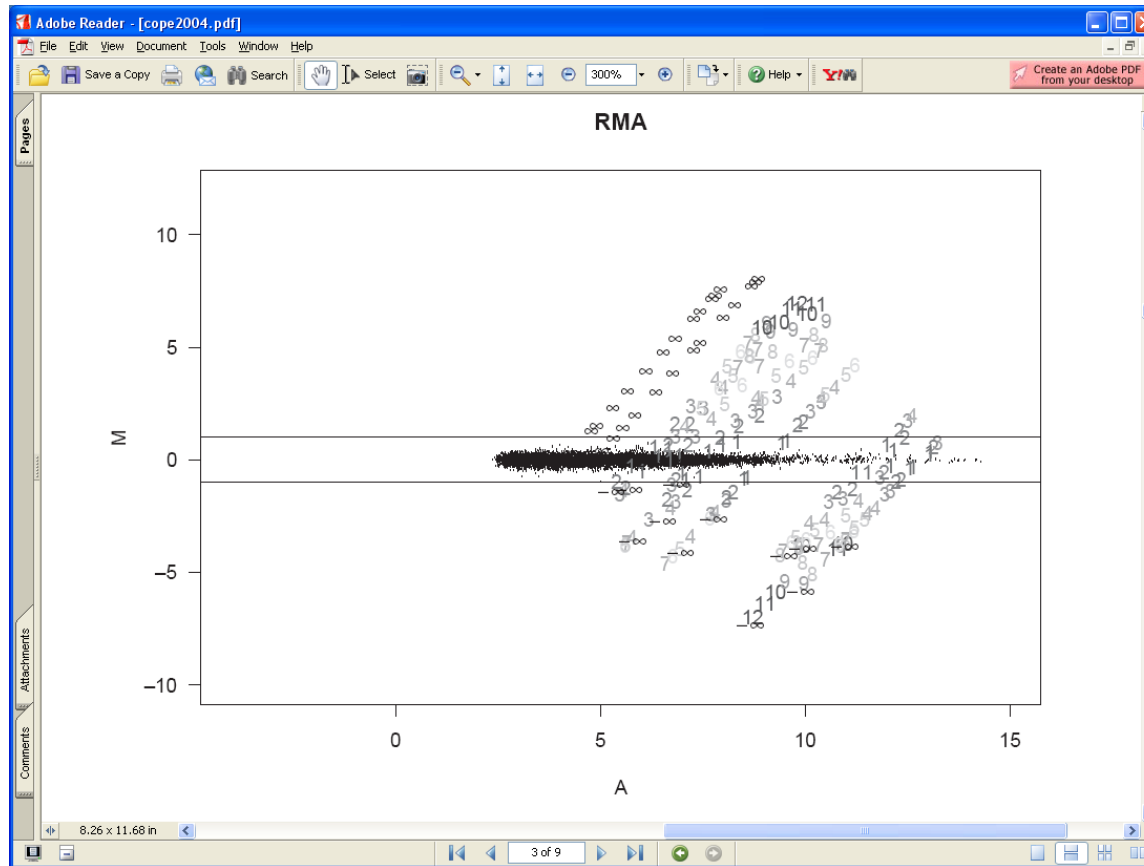
- They use
 - the GeneLogic dilution study that mixed RNA from liver and CNS tissue in different dilutions and proportions
 - the Affymetrix latin-square spike-in study on U95A arrays
 - the Affymetrix latin-square spike-in study on U133A arrays

One should also note that these data sets can be used to evaluate any Affymetrix processing method, by loading the `affycomp` package.

MPlot of Latin-square data: MAS5

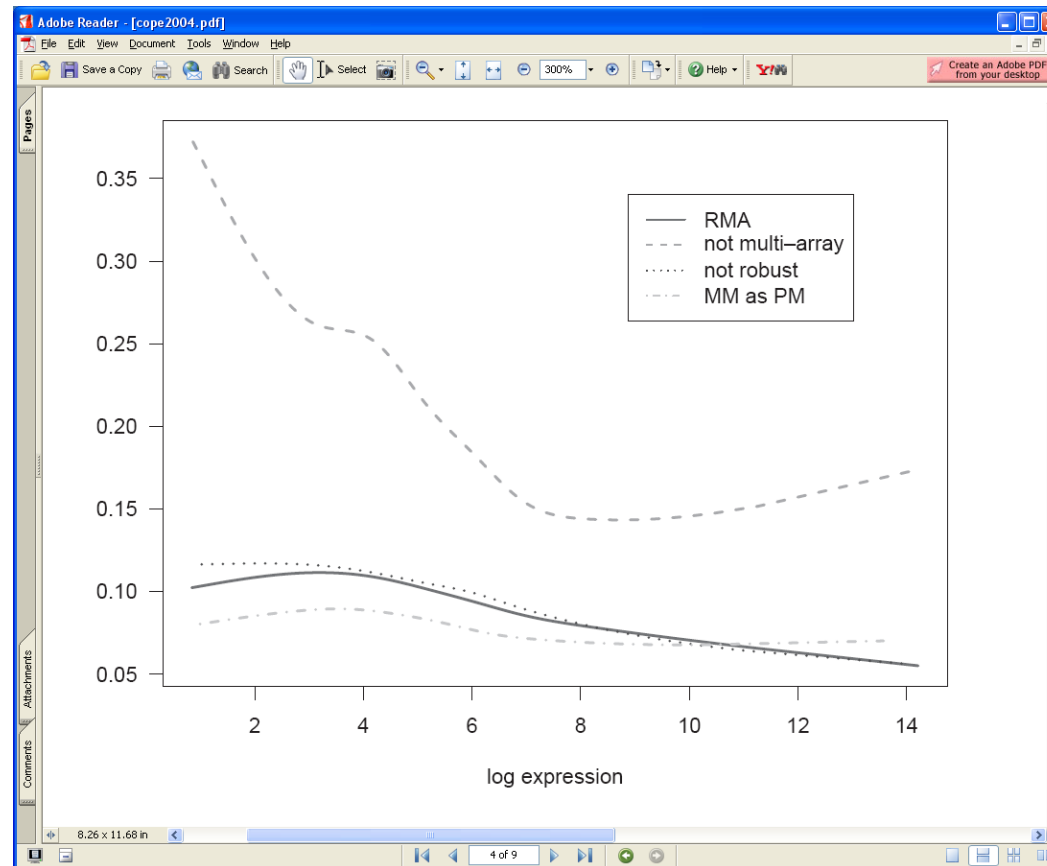


MPlot of Latin-square data: RMA



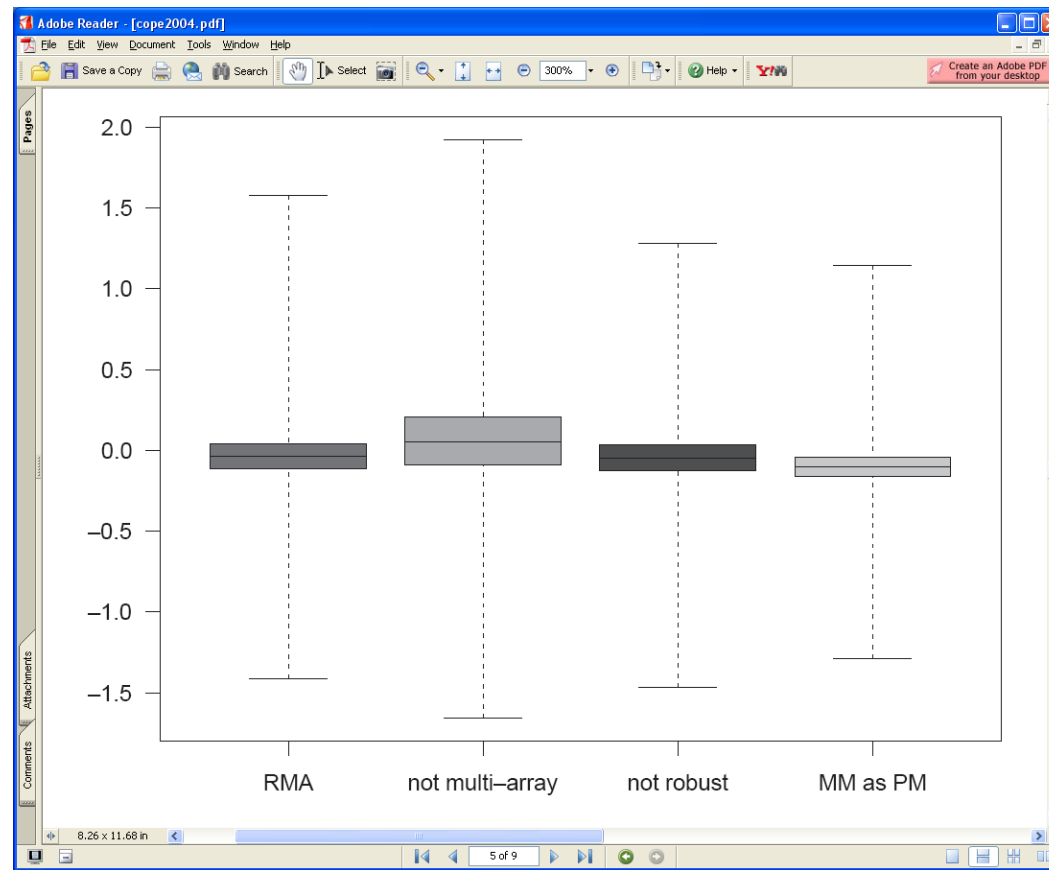
Standard deviation across replicate dilution arrays

This figure shows the results for four different methods.



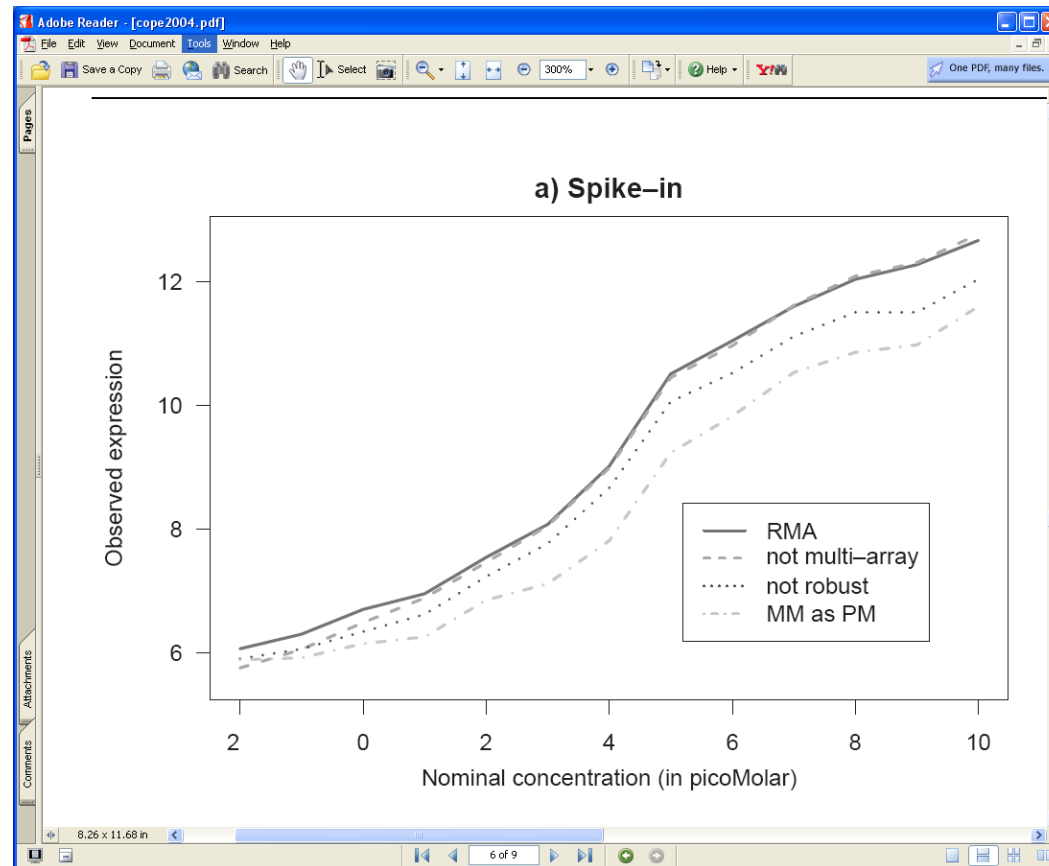
Sensitivity to total amount of RNA

For each method, compute the log ratios (fold changes) between lowest ($1.25 \mu\text{g}$) and highest ($20 \mu\text{g}$) concentrations in the dilution experiment.



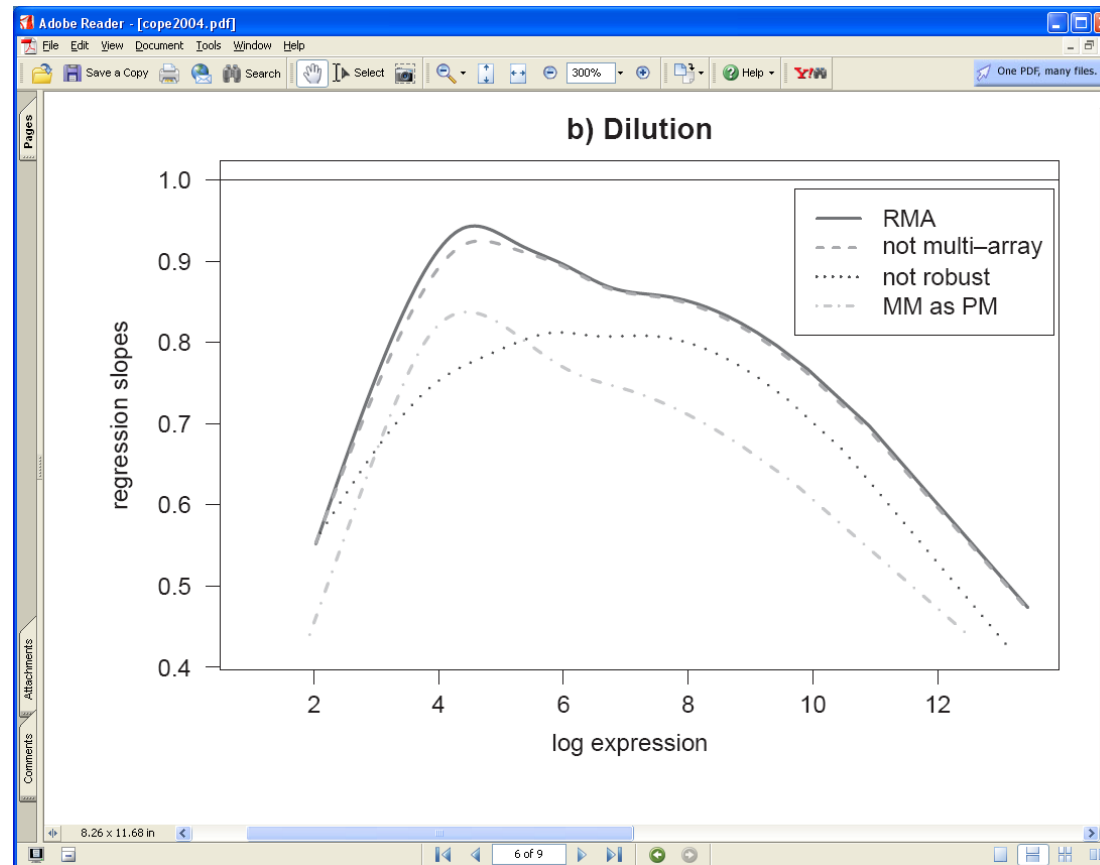
Observed expression vs. nominal concentration in Latin-square

This figure shows the results for four different methods.



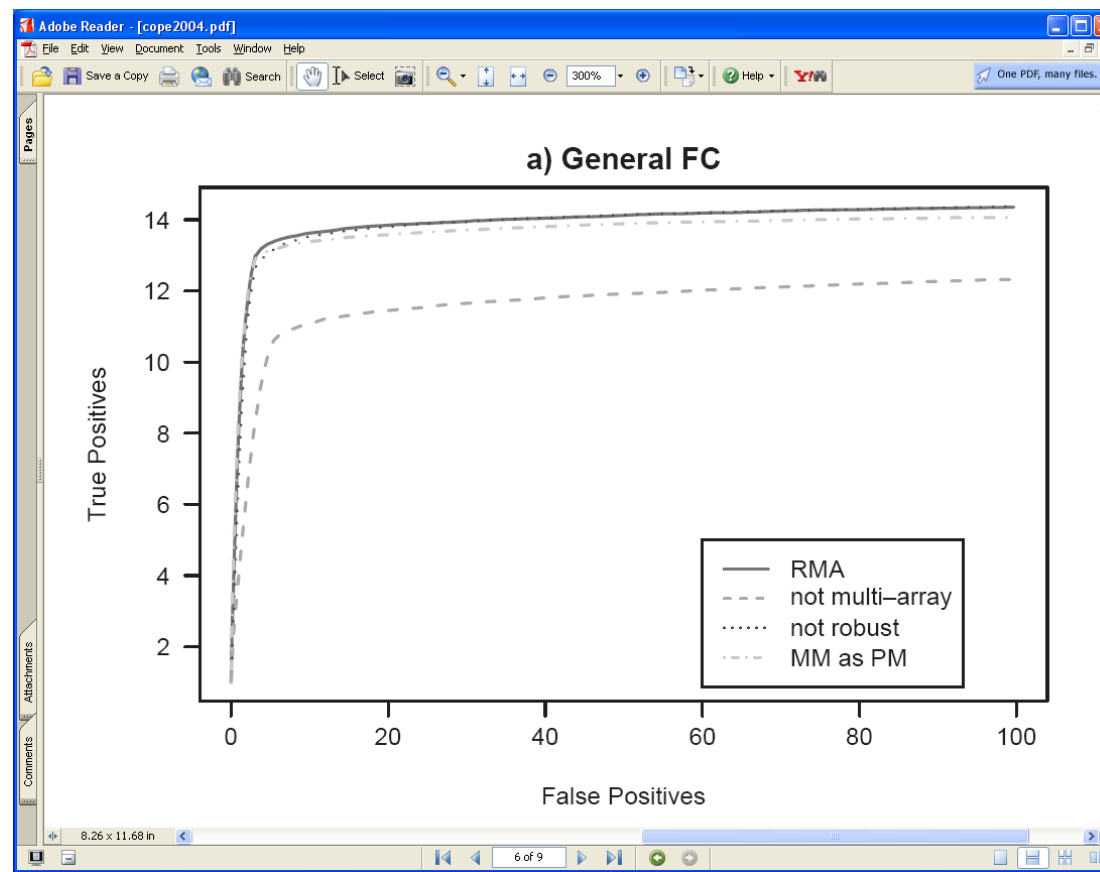
Observed vs. Nominal in Dilution

This figure shows the results for four different methods; they fit regressions to intensity as a function of dilution.



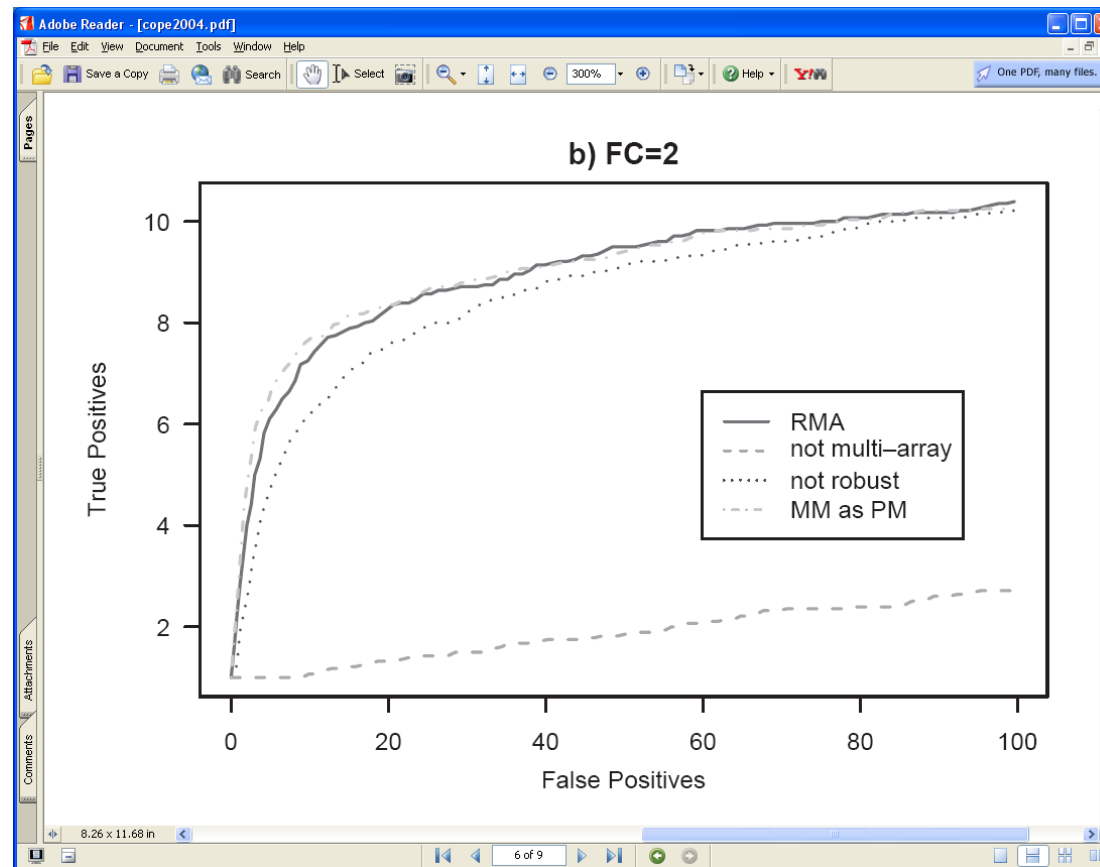
ROC curves: general FC

This figure shows the results for four different methods. In each case, they average the ROC curves for different pairwise comparisons in the Latin-square data.



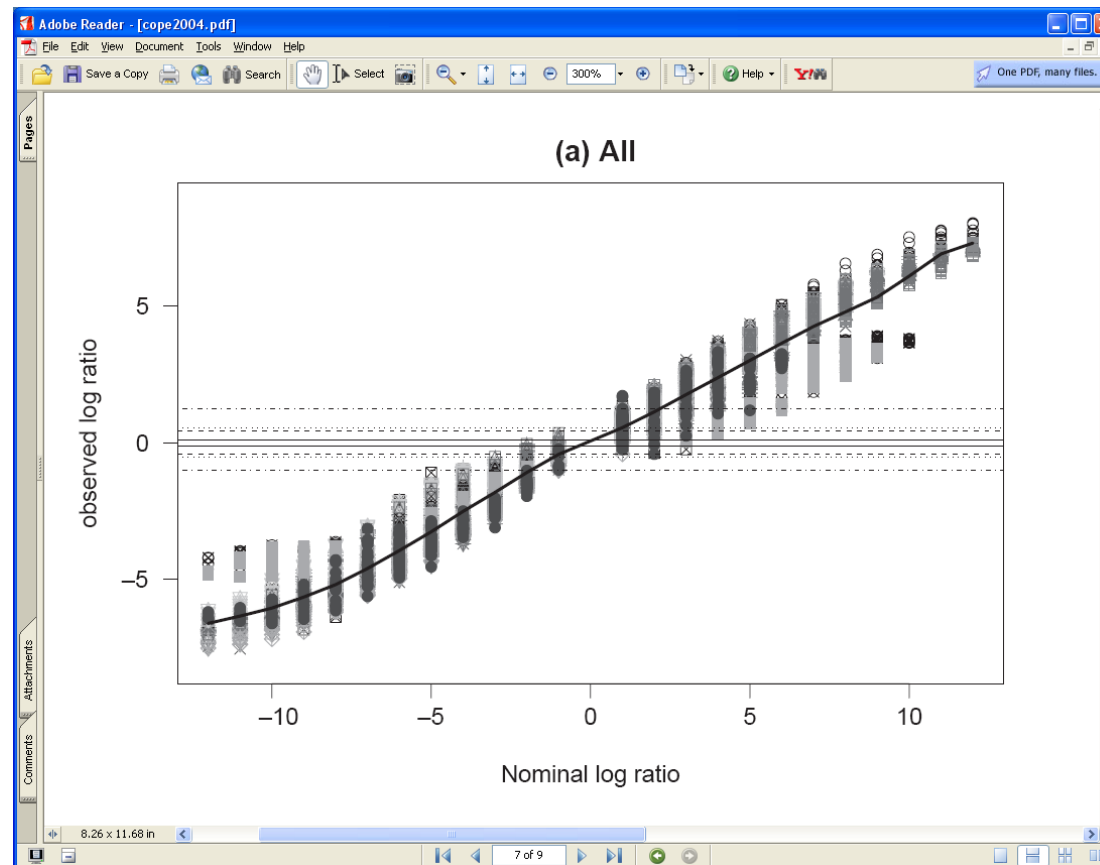
ROC curves: FC=2

This figure shows the results for four different methods



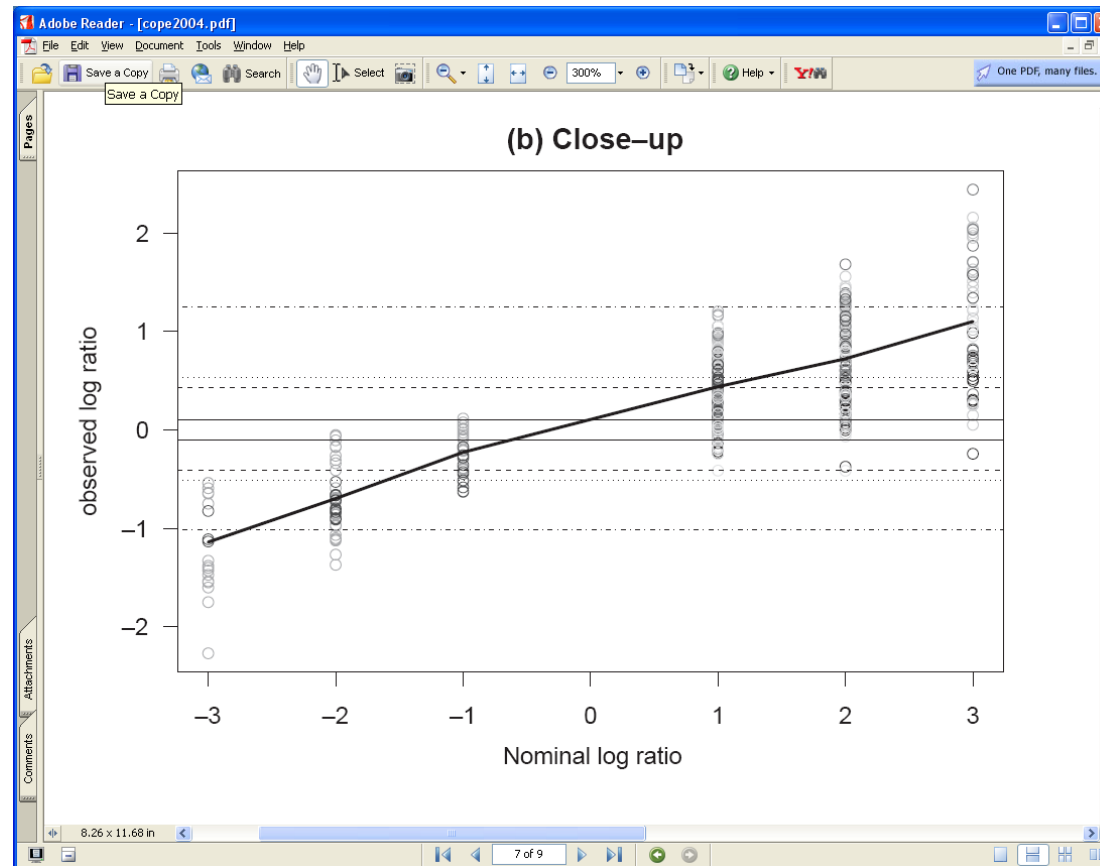
Observed vs. nominal fold change: RMA

This figure shows the results for four different methods



Observed vs. nominal fold change: RMA, close-up

This figure shows the results for four different methods



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Table 1. Assessment summary statistics table

Assessment	Figure	MAS 5.0	dChip	RMA	Not multi-array	Not robust	MM as PM
(1) Median SD	2	0.29	0.089	0.088	0.19	0.092	0.074
(2) R2	2	0.89	0.99	0.99	0.98	0.99	0.99
(3) 1.25v20 corr	3	0.73	0.91	0.94	0.87	0.94	0.93
(4) 2-fold discrepancy	3	1200	40	21	99	12	6
(5) 3-fold discrepancy	3	330	8	0	12	0	0
(6) Signal detect slope	4a	0.71	0.53	0.63	0.65	0.59	0.55
(7) Signal detect R2	4a	0.86	0.85	0.8	0.81	0.76	0.72
(8) Median slope	4b	0.85	0.77	0.87	0.86	0.79	0.76
(9) AUC (FP < 100)	5a	0.36	0.67	0.82	0.69	0.82	0.81
(10) AFP, call if fc > 2	5a	3100	37	16	220	19	15
(11) ATP, call if fc > 2	5a	13	11	12	12	12	11
(12) FC=2, AUC (FP < 100)	5b	0.065	0.17	0.54	0.12	0.52	0.55
(13) FC=2, AFP, call if fc > 2	5b	1400	12	0.5	18	0.5	0.5
(14) FC=2, ATP, call if fc > 2	5b	3.7	1.3	1.7	2.3	1.4	1.4
(15) IQR	6	2.7	0.45	0.31	0.67	0.31	0.25
(16) Obs-intended-fc slope	6a	0.69	0.52	0.61	0.64	0.58	0.54
(17) Obs-(low)int-fc slope	6b	0.65	0.32	0.36	0.45	0.34	0.21

The second column denotes the Figure to which the summary statistic relates. Columns 3, 4 and 5 compare MAS 5.0, dChip and RMA. The statistics are described in the text. For each row, the best performing expression measure is denoted with a bold number. Columns 6, 7 and 8 compare RMA to alternatives based on RMA. For each row, if the best performing expression measure is not RMA it is denoted with a bold number.

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