

RNA-Seq Normalization in Babelomics 5

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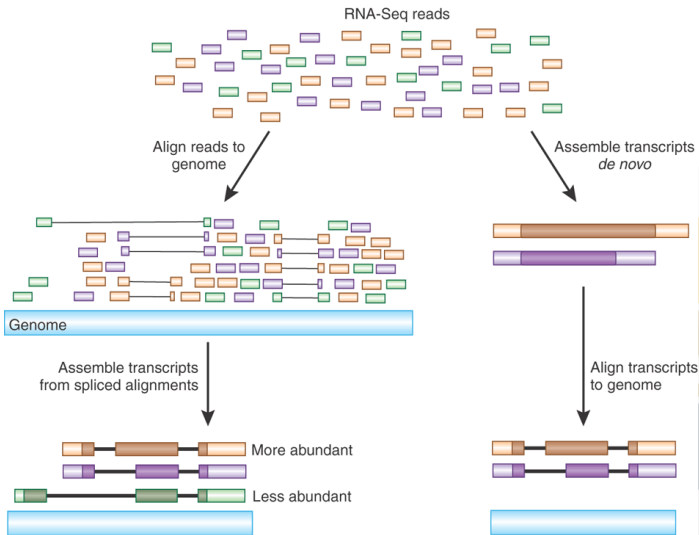
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Why normalizing?

- The technology introduces different biases
- We need to remove them to compare
 - Among genes in a sample
 - Among samples



Biases



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- 1 Gene length
- 2 Library depth
- 3 RNA composition
- 4 Others

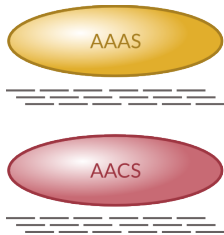
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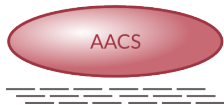
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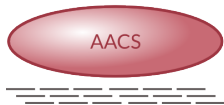
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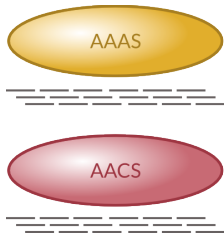
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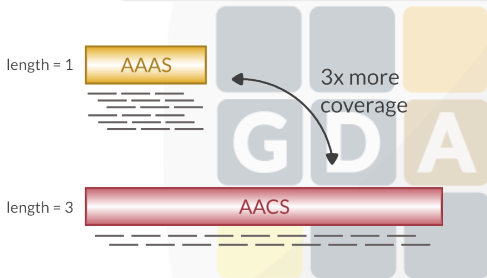
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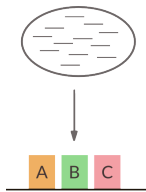


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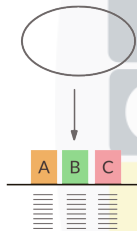
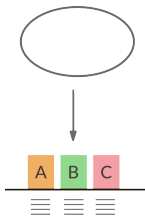


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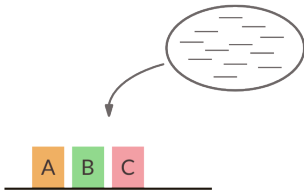


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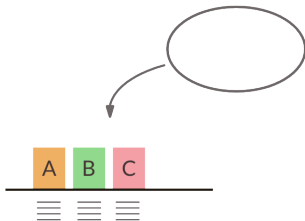


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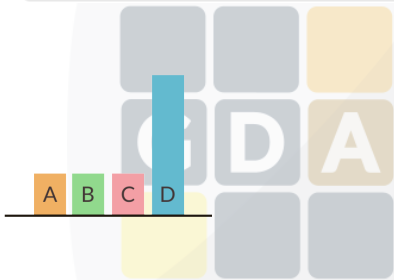
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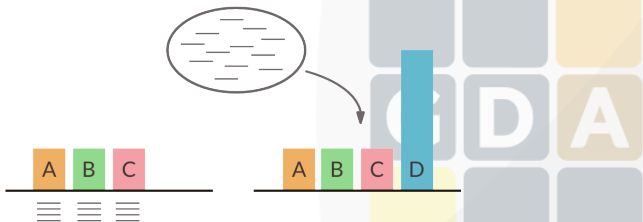


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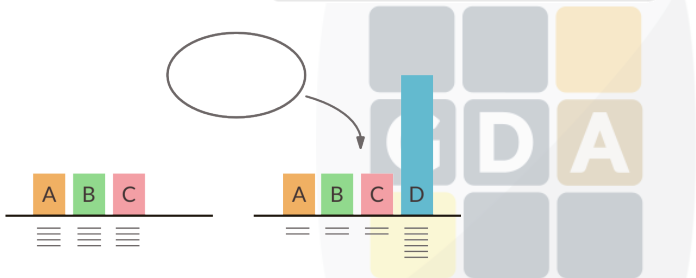


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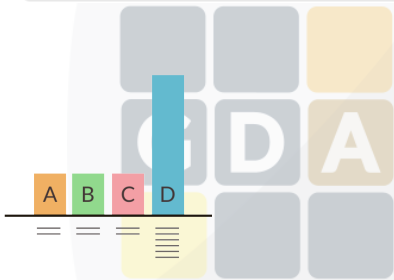
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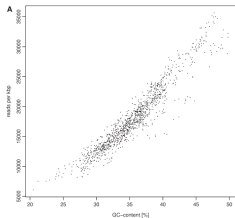


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Others

- GC-content
- Dinucleotide frequencies





Many biases

We need to normalize!!



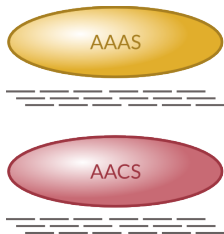


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AAAS

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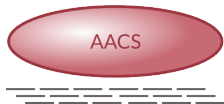
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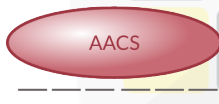
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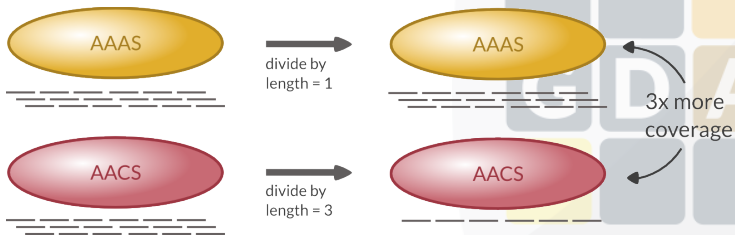


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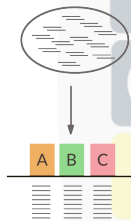
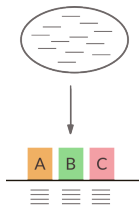


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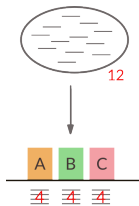


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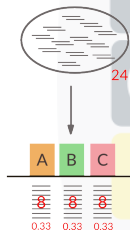
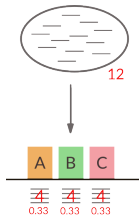


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RPKM

- Reads per Kilobase per Million
- Remove gene length and library depth biases

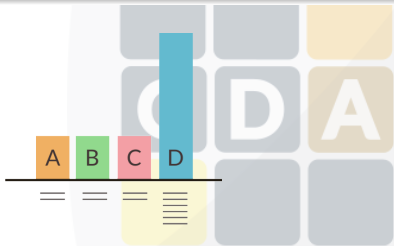
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TMM

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- Assumes only a few genes are DE
- Changes library depth

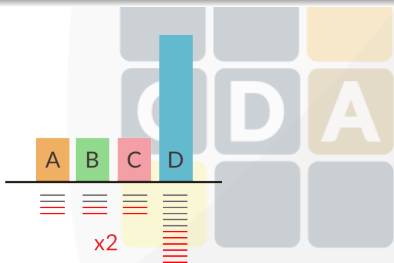


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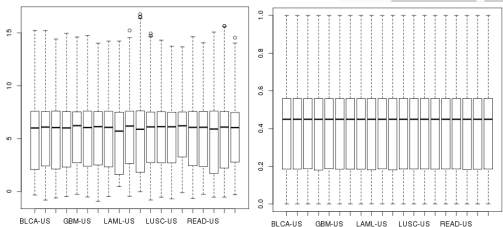


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Quantiles

Makes all sample distributions the same





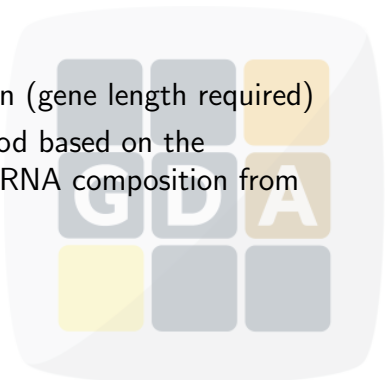
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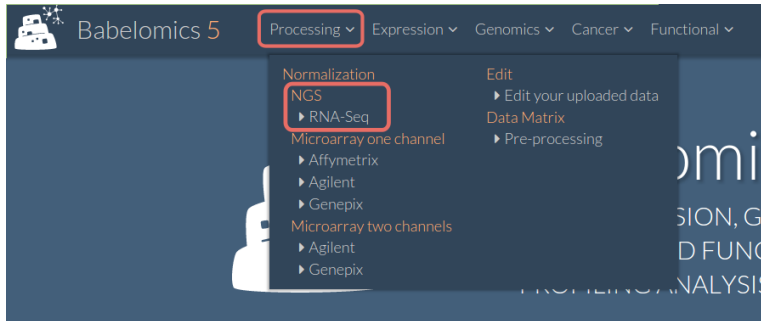
Available normalization methods in Babelomics 5

- 1 RPKM (gene length required)
- 2 TMM
- 3 TMM with gene length correction (gene length required)
- 4 Automatic selection of the method based on the diagnostic test for differences in RNA composition from NOISeq



Normalization in Babelomics 5


Where can we find RNA-Seq normalization in Babelomics 5?



The screenshot displays the Babelomics 5 web application interface. The top navigation bar includes the Babelomics logo and the text 'Babelomics 5'. A dropdown menu is open under the 'Processing' tab, which is highlighted with a red box. Within this menu, the 'Normalization' section is visible, and the 'RNA-Seq' option is highlighted with a red box. Other options in the 'Normalization' section include 'Microarray one channel' (with sub-options 'Affymetrix', 'Agilent', and 'Genepix') and 'Microarray two channels' (with sub-options 'Agilent' and 'Genepix'). To the right of the 'Normalization' section, there are sections for 'Edit' (with 'Edit your uploaded data') and 'Data Matrix' (with 'Pre-processing').

Filling in the formular


Select your data

The files must be on the server to select them.
You can upload files using the button  inside file browser.

File browser

WorkSpace/

Select gene length file

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File browser

WorkSpace/


Normalization method

- Choose automatically the normalization method
- Choose manually the normalization method
 - TMM
 - RPKM

Filling in the formular

Job information

Output folder

You can create folders using the button  + inside file browser.

File browser

WorkSpace/analysis ✕

Job name

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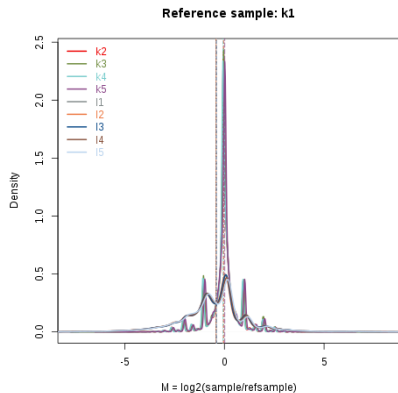
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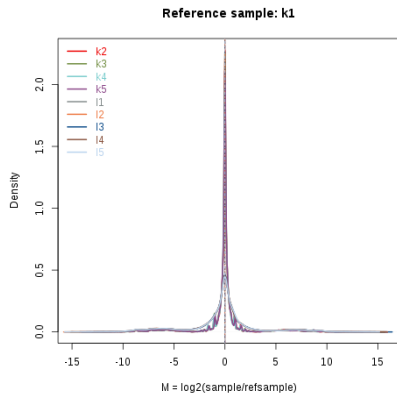
The results

RNA composition

RNA composition before normalization



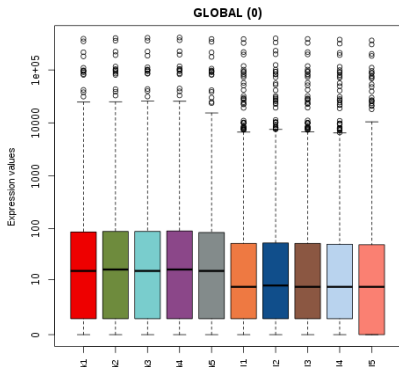
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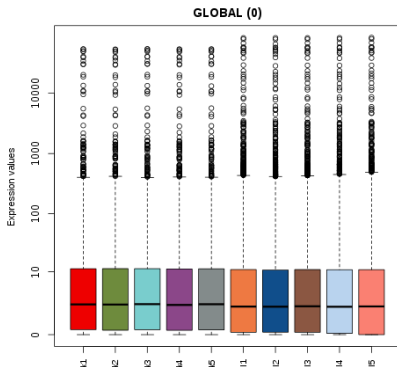
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Distribution of Expression values

Boxplot expression values before normalization



Boxplot expression values after normalization



The results

Table of Normalized values

File [normalized_results.txt](#)

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TSPAN6	42.11	39.49	39.02	34.59	42.55
TNMD	0	0	0	0.22	0
DPM1	13.17	16.31	17.22	15.5	16.21
SCYL3	1.54	2.12	2.21	1.88	2.31
C1orf112	1	1.15	0.77	1.04	1.82
FGR	2.25	3.19	2.07	2.24	1.2
FUCA2	37.84	41.24	39.91	38.24	33.78
GCLC	25.88	25.39	21.51	23.51	23.06
NFYA	4.62	4.59	4.03	4.16	4.69
STPG1	5.82	7.08	6.81	5.03	8

29405 Results

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Exercises



Normalization exercises

Go to **Babelomics 5**: <http://courses.babelomics.org/>

Exercise 1

Run the Normalization Example (first button in the formular).
Try all possible normalization methods:

- TMM with gene length
- TMM without gene length
- RPKM
- Automatic selection of the method

Compare the results. Which is the best normalization method?

For help, ask or visit the [normalization tutorial](#)

Normalization exercises

Exercise 2

Perform a normalization of the breast cancer data in the file *brca_demo_counts_4babelomics.txt*

Exercise 3

We will use a Kidney Renal Clear Cell carcinoma (KIRC) dataset from the TCGA

- 1 Go to the [GDA 2016 wiki](#)
- 2 Download the *kirc_demo_counts_4babelomics.txt*
- 3 Upload this file to Babelomics 5
- 4 Normalize the data

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