

mngmos User Guide

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1 Introduction

The *mngmos* package is to estimate the expression levels and the confidence of measures for multiple arrays of the same type of Affymetrix GeneChips using the Multi-chip modified gamma Model for Oligonucleotide Signal (multi-mgMOS) (2) and the modified gamma Model for Oligonucleotide Signal (mgMOS) (1). The results obtained from *mngmos* package include the mean, standard deviation and 5, 25, 50, 75 and 95 percentiles of the estimated expression measurements. This software package uses the optimisation program donlp2 (3).

2 From probe level data to expression values

The main task of *mngmos* package is to go from probe level data (*Cel* files) to expression measures. *mngmos* requires *affy* package. Before start make sure the *affy* package is installed.

1. Create a directory, move all the relevant *CEL* files to that directory.
2. Start R in that directory.
3. If using the Rgui for Microsoft Windows make sure your working directory contains the *Cel* files (use “File -> Change Dir” menu item).
4. Load the library.

```
R> library(mngmos) ##load the mngmos package
```

5. Read in the data.

```
R> Data <- ReadAffy() ##read data in working directory
```

6. Calculate the expression levels and related confidence.

```
R> eset <- mmgmos(Data)  ##using multi-mgMOS
R> eset <- mgmos(Data)  ##using mgMOS alternatively
```

7. Save results into files. Do not need to specify the extension of the file name here.

```
R> write.reslts(eset, file="myresults")
```

The results will be saved in the following 7 files:

- (a) **myresults_exprs.csv** contains the mean of the expression values.
- (b) **myresults_se.csv** contains the standard deviation of the expression values.
- (c) **myresults_prctile5.csv** contains the 5 percentile of the expression values.
- (d) **myresults_prctile25.csv** contains the 25 percentile of the expression values.
- (e) **myresults_prctile50.csv** contains the 50 percentile of the expression values.
- (f) **myresults_prctile75.csv** contains the 75 percentile of the expression values.
- (g) **myresults_prctile95.csv** contains the 95 percentile of the expression values.

Alternatively, for large data sets step 5 and 6 can be replaced by a single step

```
R> eset <- justmmgMOS()  ##using multi-mgMOS
R> eset <- justmgMOS()  ##using mgMOS alternatively
```

which is more memory efficient and makes large data sets properly processed. In this case, `ReadAffy()` shouldn't be called.

References

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