Gene Extract

USER’S MANUAL

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1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION
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1.1 System Overview

Gene Extract v1 is a web application intended to assist those people who want to quickly analyze their mouse gene expression data and share the results. Using Gene Extract, users can extract expression values that correspond to the subset of genes they select and immediately see the result of commonly used analysis techniques such as clustering and principal component analysis. As a web application, Gene Extract can serve as a data repository as well as collaboration tool for teams so that team members can easily share analysis results of subset or network of genes that shows interesting patterns in their data.

1.2 Authorized Use Permission

Usage of this software is limited to its owner via the terms of its development. Gene Extract is wholly owned by CS Bio Group at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and may not be used or referenced without their express consent.

1.3 Points of Contact

1.3.1 Information

For additional information, CS Bio group at UNC can be contacted through Group Leader/ Leonard McMillan (mcmillan@cs.unc.edu).
2.0 APPLICATION USAGE
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2.1 Users and Login

In this login screen users need to enter their username and password. Future users need to contact Leonard McMillan to have a new username for them so that they can access the application. Login session keeps open until user logs out by using the logout link on the top left of the screen. There are 2 levels of user permissions: Administrator and user. Administrator users can control which users can access to specific datasets that exists in the data repository.
2.1 Interface Organization

Header Panel
There are two actions in the header panel: Logout link and dataset selection. By clicking logout link users can log out of their session. On the left side of this panel, user can select the dataset that they want to extract gene expressions from. The set of datasets are automatically populated as the list of datasets that the current user have access to.

Navigation Panel
This panel allows user to navigate through the application. It shows 4 basic functionalities of the application: Extract New Data, Previously Extracted Data, Upload Dataset and Manage Users. Only administrators can see and use Manage Users functionality. The detailed description of these functionalities are described later in this document.

Main Panel
This panel changes each time user clicks on a link on the navigation pane whereas Navigation Panel content stay the same. Main panel shows commands and results based on the link clicked.
2.2 Extracting New Data

By Kegg Network Name

This page allows users to extract the subset of genes based on predefined mouse gene networks. The networks of genes are taken from KEGG database on January 12th, 2009. As of this date, 203 networks are defined in this application. By using the drop down box, user can select set of genes, by choosing appropriate network which is described by network name, KEGG network ID which starts with mmu and number of genes in this network. This way, users don’t need to know the names of the genes in a particular network of genes which are generally grouped by biological relevance.

After user clicks submit expressions that correspond to selected set of genes are extracted from the dataset that is selected on the left side of the header panel. The results can be downloaded as csv file. The checkbox “Include gene names in output csv files” allows users to control whether the resulting cvs contain gene names in the first row. If user wants to view results in a spreadsheet editor, including gene names is generally preferred. But if users is going to load it into a program like MATLAB or Stata, not including the gene names is more useful. The same functionality goes for the strain ids. But strain ids will be added as first column if the appropriate checkbox is selected.
By Gene ID

Another way to extract new data is to provide individual gene names. If the user clicks on “Gene Ids” link on the navigation panel, user sees a screen similar to above figure. User can enter multiple genes by typing the gene name in the “Gene names” text box. A helper list shows the list of gene names base that includes the letters user have typed. User can select a gene by using mouse or arrow keys and hitting enter. Entered genes will be highlighted in blue and they can be deleted either by clicking the ‘x’ sign right after the gene name or using backspace button.

“Data name” textbox can be entered optionally to give a name to the subset of data that is extracted and analyzed. This name will be seen on the “Previously Extracted Data” page. If no data name is entered, a name that includes current date and time will be assigned automatically. User can also select subset of mouse strains that exist in the data.
By Probe ID

- Extract New Data by
  - Data name: [field] (for future reference)
- KEGG Network Name
  - Select genes by KEGG network
  - Include gene names in output csv files
- Gene IDs
  - Select genes by their ids
  - Include strain ids in output csv files
- Probe IDs
  - Select genes by probe ids
- Previously Extracted Data
  - Type Probe ID
  - Select: [field] (comma delimited list, leave empty to select all strains)

3rd way to extract new data is to provide individual probe ids. User may want to use probe ID instead of gene ID to refer to gene expression value. This is useful when the user has abundant knowledge about the platform used to generate the data. This page is very similar to page that extracts data by gene ID’s except that instead of gene IDs Probe IDs are selected. Similar helper list is provided in this page as well.

2.4 Previously Extracted Data

- Extract New Data by
  - 02_07_2009_13.27.36
  - 02_07_2009_13.28.07
- KEGG Network Name
  - 02_07_2009_14.00.06
  - 02_11_2009_11.45.58
  - mmu00750_UNL_Liver
  - mmu00791_UNL_Liver
  - mmu00950_UNL_Adipose
  - mmu00970_UNL_Adipose
  - mmu03022
- Gene IDs
  - Select genes by their ids
- Probe ids
  - Select genes by probe ids
- Previously Extracted Data
  - mmu04520_UNL_Adipose
  - mouse12
  - mydata
  - not_Kegg_genes
  - probes_Adora2b_2g
  - probes_Ahcy_3
  - probes_Atp5c1_3
  - probes_Cntnap2_5
  - sample2
  - sample_genenames
  - sample_no_rowcolname
  - sample_not_Kegg_genes3

If the user want to see the result of previously extracted and analyzed data then user clicks on “Previously Extracted Data” link on the navigation panel. User sees list of data names that are assigned while the data is extracted (as mentioned in the previous section) User may see a list similar to the one shown on the
As can be seen some of the datasets are named by network name (mmuxxxxxxxx) followed by dataset name. These are extracted using Kegg network name. Some data names show date and time which means that the user who created that data didn’t enter any name so creating date and time is used as data name. The other data names are given as the user entered.

2.5 Result of Extraction and Analysis

![Image of data extraction and analysis](image)

When user extracts new data or view previously extracted data, he/she sees a screen similar to above figure. The first 3 lines show information about the extracted data such as number of genes and experiments. Next 5 lines are the links to download useful matrices as csv files, so these are the result of data extraction operation. The figures that follow these lines are result of the analysis of the data. First analysis that is applied on the data is correlation and cluster analysis. A visualization of correlation matrix
is shown to the user. The order of genes is based on the cluster analysis of the genes. Dendogram that shows how genes are clustered are also shown.

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Following the results of cluster analysis, the results of Principal Component Analysis (PCA) are shown as a table as well as a line graph. The table shows values of eigen values in PCA which represents the variation in the calculated eigen vectors. Cumulative Normed Eigen Value show the proportion of variation explained by first n eigenvectors, to total variation. Line graph is a visualization of first and third column of the PCA result table.
Following the PCA results, scatterplots for each pair of genes are shown. The purpose of these plots is to allow user to see how pair of genes interact with each other. This is complementary to correlation and clustering results because if we see a high correlation value in the correlation plot we expect to see the points close to diagonal of the scatterplot. Moreover, scatter plot allows user to see that can be missed by correlation plot. For instance there might be small number of outliers in the data which is causing the correlation value to be small whereas other data points suggest strong correlation between the genes. Scatterplot allow user to capture such events.
2.6 Uploading a Dataset

User can upload any dataset that he/she has as long as the data is in GEODB Soft file format. The data should correspond to mouse gene expression data because the gene extraction by KEGG network or Gene name relies on the mouse gene names. User can name the dataset any way he/she wants. The name given by user will be added to the list of datasets that is shown on the left of header panel. By default administrators and the user that uploads the data have access to the data. If the user wants other specific users to access to the data he/she uploaded, the user may ask administrator to grant access.
2.7 Managing Users

This feature can only be used by administrators. “Manage Users” link will be shown on the navigation panel only if the user have administrative privileges. Using this page administrator can grant or revoke users’ access to specific datasets. List of datasets are shown on the right of the table and each column represents a user. Username is given as the header row of the table in the main panel. A check checkbox means that the corresponding user have access to the data referenced by the name in the first column of the table.