

# High-dimensional data

"many regressions model"

A single design matrix  $X_{d \times n}$

Many,  $m$ , response variables:  $Y_i$  length  $n$   
 $i=1, 2, \dots, m$

$$Y_{m \times n} = B_{m \times d} X_{d \times n} + E_{m \times n}$$

$\beta_i$  is  $i^{\text{th}}$  row of  $B$  (length  $d$ )

$$\beta_i = (\beta_{i1}, \beta_{i2}, \dots, \beta_{id})$$

$m$  regressions

$$m \gg n \gg d$$

Two topics

① Jackstraw

② Surrogate variable analysis

Estimating latent variables in our setting

Suppose  $Y_{m \times n} = \Phi_{m \times r} Z_{r \times n} + \underline{E}_{m \times n}$  ←

$Z$  are unobserved latent variables

$\Phi$  are unknown parameters

Assume that all  $e_{ij} (e \in E)$  are independent and

$e_{i1}, \dots, e_{in} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} (0, \sigma_i^2)$   
 ↑ mean      ↑ variance

$\frac{1}{m} Y^T Y = \frac{1}{m} (Y - \Phi Z)^T (Y - \Phi Z)$  (1)  
 $\quad \quad \quad + \frac{1}{m} (Y - \Phi Z)^T \Phi Z$  (2)  
 $\quad \quad \quad + \frac{1}{m} (\Phi Z)^T (Y - \Phi Z)$  (3)  
 $\quad \quad \quad + \frac{1}{m} (\Phi Z)^T \Phi Z$  (4)

$Y = (Y - \Phi Z) + (\Phi Z)$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} Y^T Y \stackrel{\text{with prob. 1}}{=} \underset{(1)}{D} + \underset{(2)}{0} + \underset{(3)}{0} + \underset{(4)}{\Pi_Z}$$

$\Pi_Z$  is the row space of  $Z$

$D$  is non diagonal matrix

where each element  $(i, i)$

$$\text{is } \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m G_k^2$$

$D \propto I$  (identity)

This implies that the first

$r$  eigen vectors of  $\frac{1}{m} Y^T Y$

converge to  $\Pi_Z$  with prob. 1.

(Leek 2011 Biometrics)  $\hat{Z} = \text{top } r \text{ eigenvectors of } \frac{1}{m} Y^T Y$

## Jackstraw

A method to perform inference on  $\Phi_{m \times r}$ .

Let's suppose we to test :

$$H_0: \phi_i = 0 \quad \text{vs.} \quad H_1: \phi_i \neq 0$$

① Estimate  $\hat{\Sigma}$  and obtain an association statistic  $t_i$  for each response variable  $Y_i$ .

② Take a subset of rows of  $Y$  of size  $s$ . Permute independently the  $s$  rows to obtain  $Y^*$ .  
 $m-s$  rows are intact  
 $s$  rows are permuted

③ Obtain  $\hat{\Sigma}^*$  from  $Y^*$  and obtain  $s$  statistics  $t_i^*$  from  $s$  permuted response variables. This yields  $s$  null statistics  $t_i^*$ .

④ Repeat steps ② and ③  
B times. Yield B's null  
statistics.

$$p_i = \frac{1}{B_s} \sum_{b=1}^B \sum_{k=1}^s \mathbb{1}(t_{bk}^* \geq t_i)$$

Trade-off:

s small  $\Rightarrow$  more accurate  
but slow

s large  $\Rightarrow$  less accurate  
(conservative)  
but faster

## Jackstraw Example: Yeast Cell Cycle

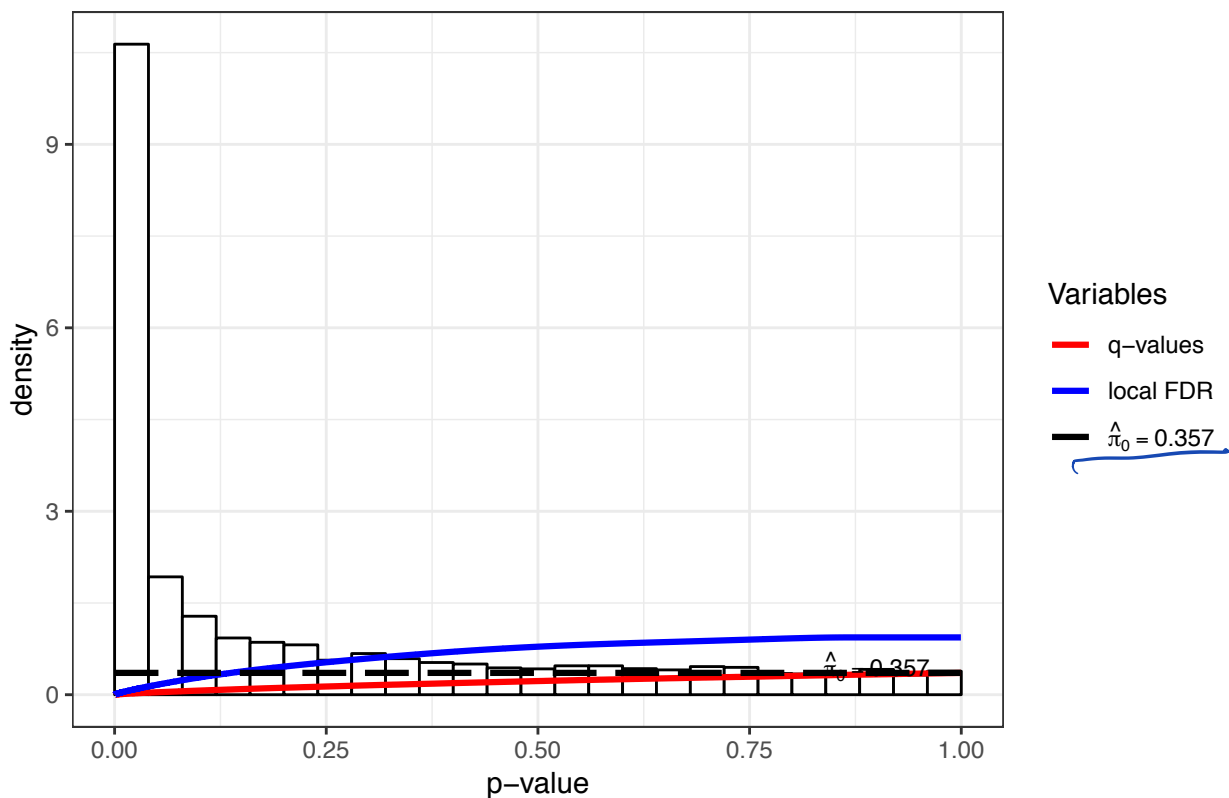
Recall the yeast cell cycle data from earlier. We will test which genes have expression significantly associated with PC1 and PC2 since these both capture cell cycle regulation.

```
> load("./data/spellman.RData")
> time
[1] 0 30 60 90 120 150 180 210 240 270 330 360 390 ✓
> dim(gene_expression)
[1] 5981 ✓ 13
> dat <- t(scale(t(gene_expression), center=TRUE, scale=FALSE))
```

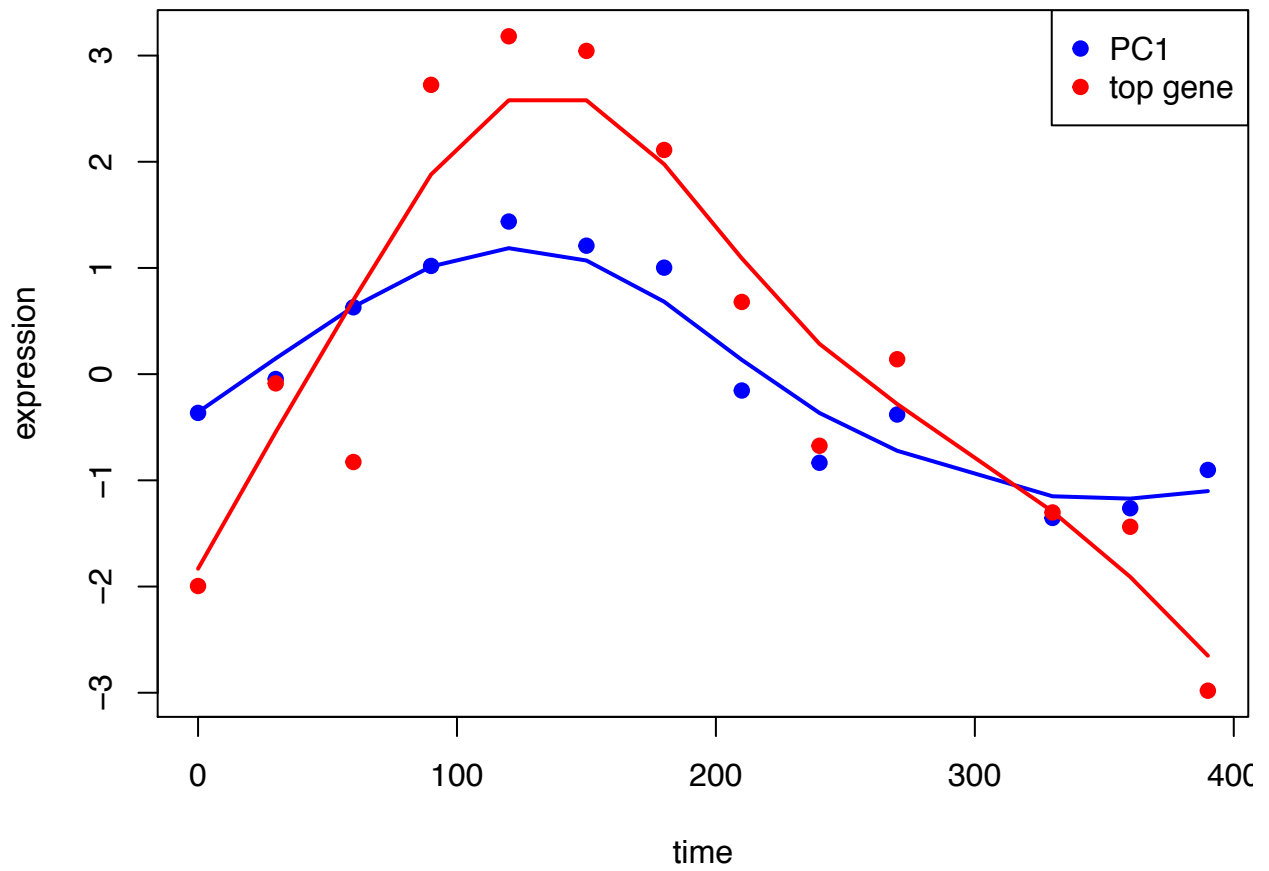
Test for associations between PC1 and each gene, conditioning on PC1 and PC2 being relevant sources of systematic variation.

```
> jsobj <- jackstraw_pca(dat, r1=1, r=2, B=500, s=50, verbose=FALSE) ←
> jsobj$p.value %>% qvalue() %>% hist()
```

p-value density histogram

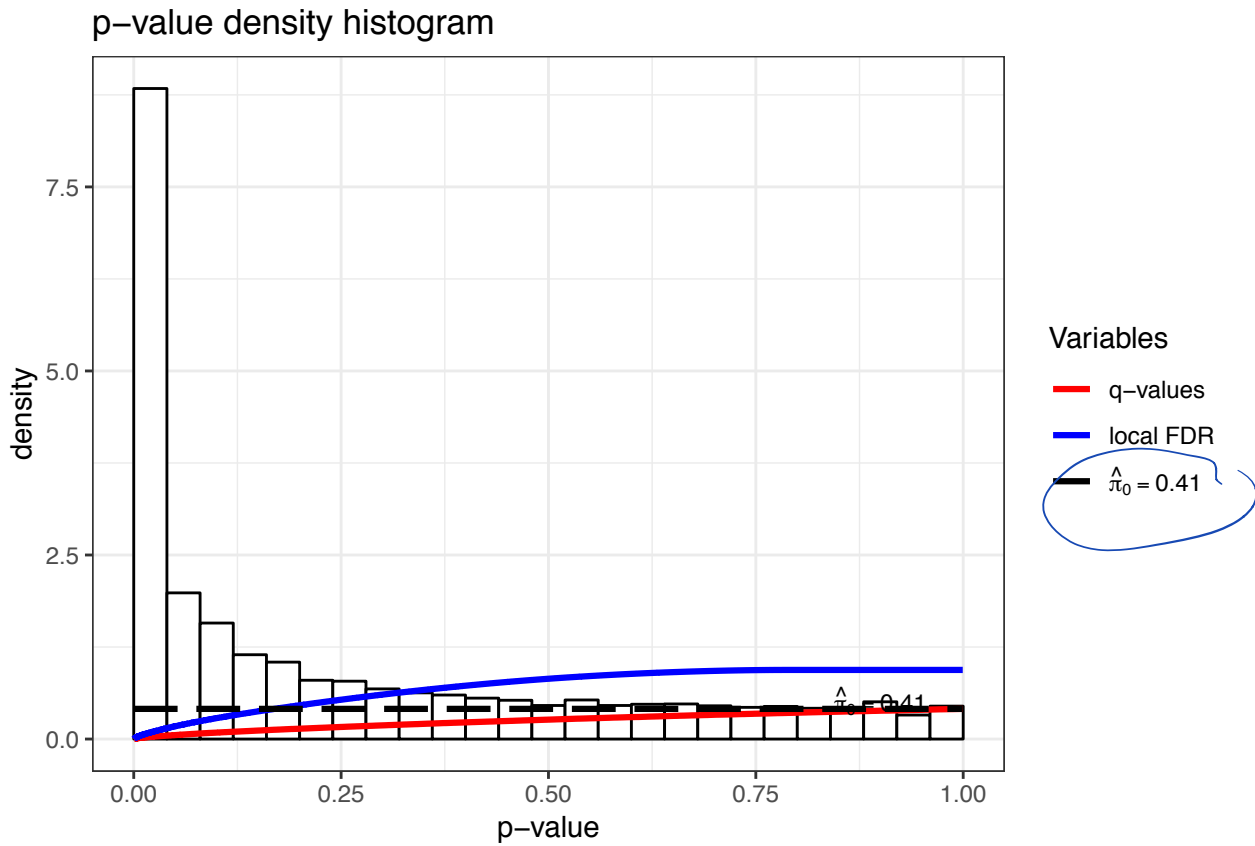


This is the most significant gene plotted with PC1.



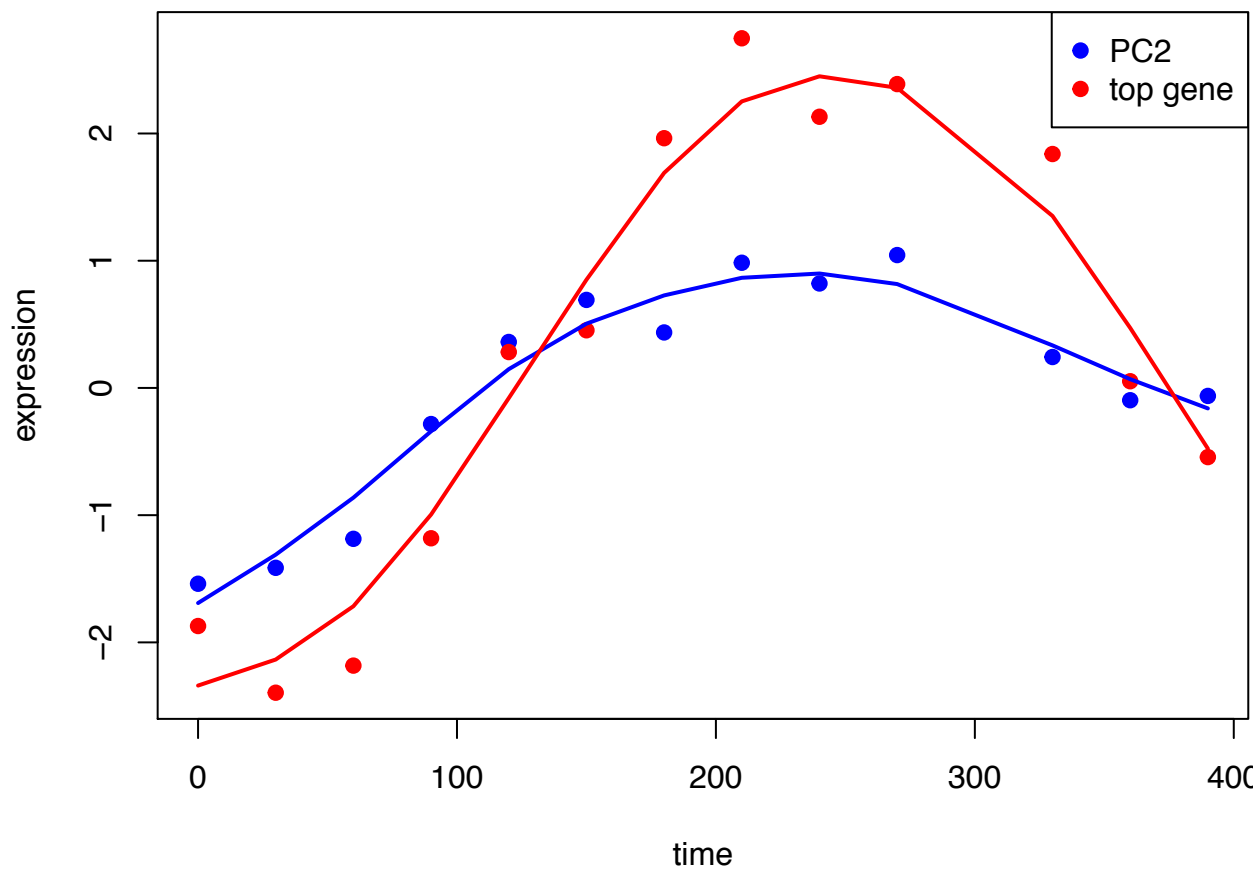
Test for associations between PC2 and each gene, conditioning on PC1 and PC2 being relevant sources of systematic variation.

```
> jsobj <- jackstraw_pca(dat, r1=2, r=2, B=500, s=50, verbose=FALSE)
> jsobj$p.value %>% qvalue() %>% hist()
```





This is the most significant gene plotted with PC2.



# Surrogate Variable Analysis

$$Y_{m \times n} = B_{m \times d} X_{d \times n} + \underbrace{\Phi}_{m \times r} Z_{r \times n} + E_{m \times n}$$

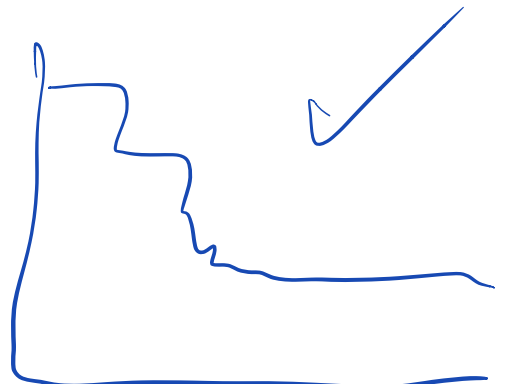
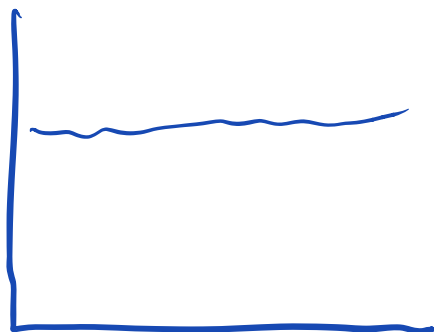
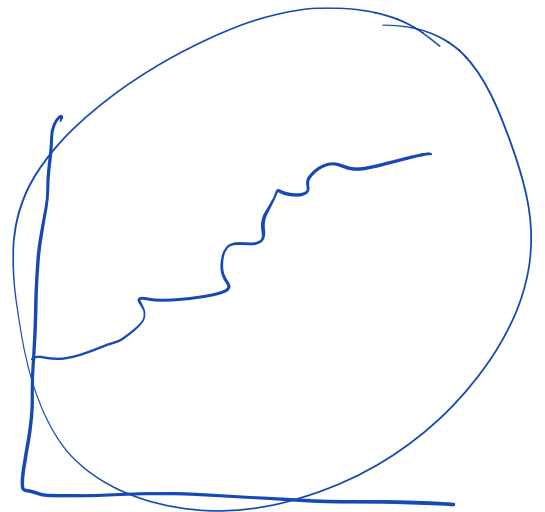
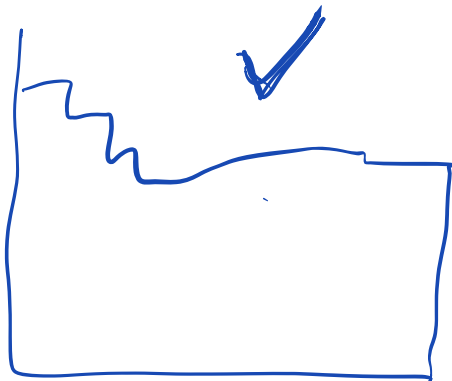
$e_{11}, e_{12}, \dots, e_{on} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} (0, \sigma_e^2)$

$m \gg n \gg d, r$

$X$  and  $Y$  are observed

Want to do inference on  $B$

Need to deal with  $\Phi Z$



# Basic Idea

Iterate:

① Estimating  $Z$  from  
 $Y - \tilde{B}X$

② Estimating  $B$  from  
 $Y - \hat{\Phi}\hat{Z}$

We showed:

-  $\tilde{B}$  needs to be regularized

If  $\tilde{B} = \hat{B}_{OLS}$  then

$$Y - \hat{B}_{OLS}X$$

only captures the part of  
 $\hat{\Phi}\hat{Z}$  that is orthogonal to  
 $X$ .

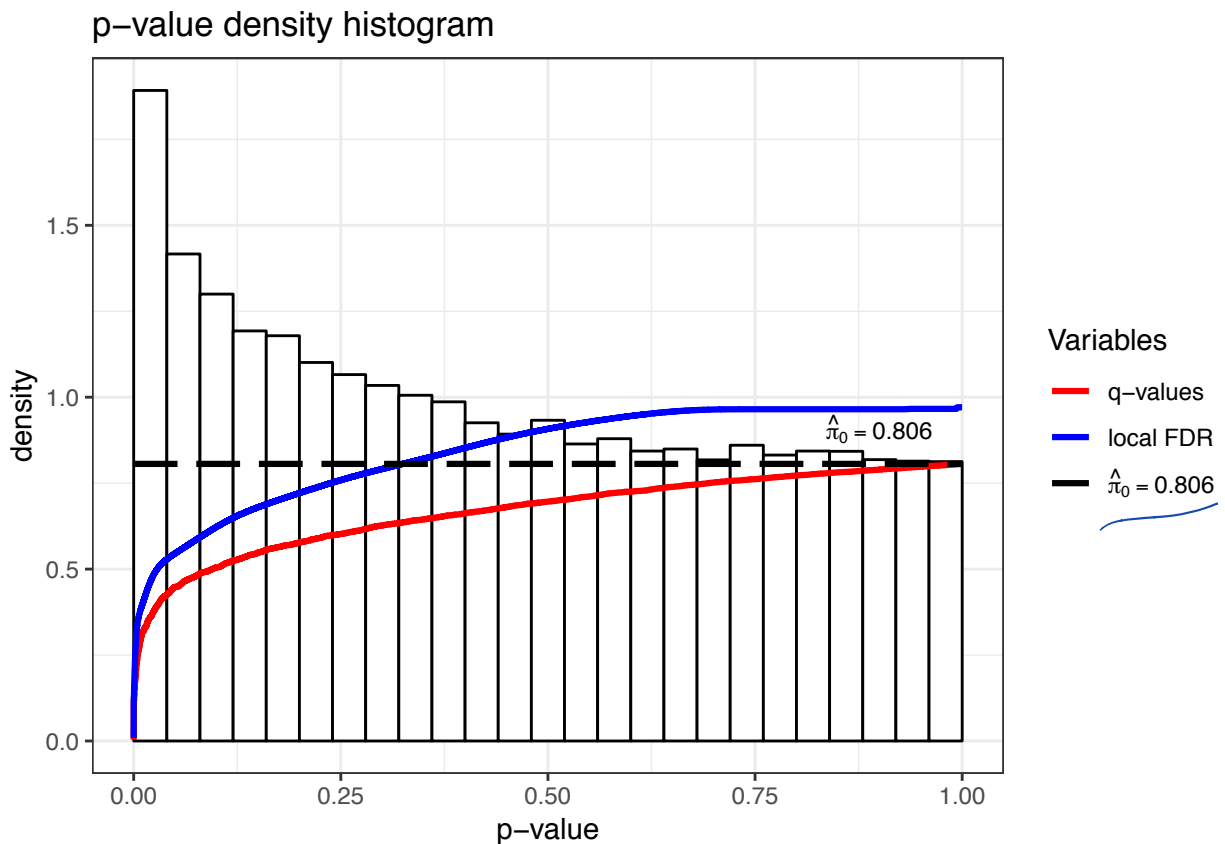
- The EM algorithm to estimate  $Z$  takes the above form

## Surrogate Variable Analysis Example: Kidney Expression by Age

In Storey et al. (2005), we considered a study where kidney samples were obtained on individuals across a range of ages. The goal was to identify genes with expression associated with age.

```
> library(edge)
> library(splines)
> load("../data/kidney.RData")
> age <- kidcov$age
> sex <- kidcov$sex
> dim(kidexpr)
[1] 34061 72
> cov <- data.frame(sex = sex, age = age)
> null_model <- ~sex
> full_model <- ~sex + ns(age, df = 3)

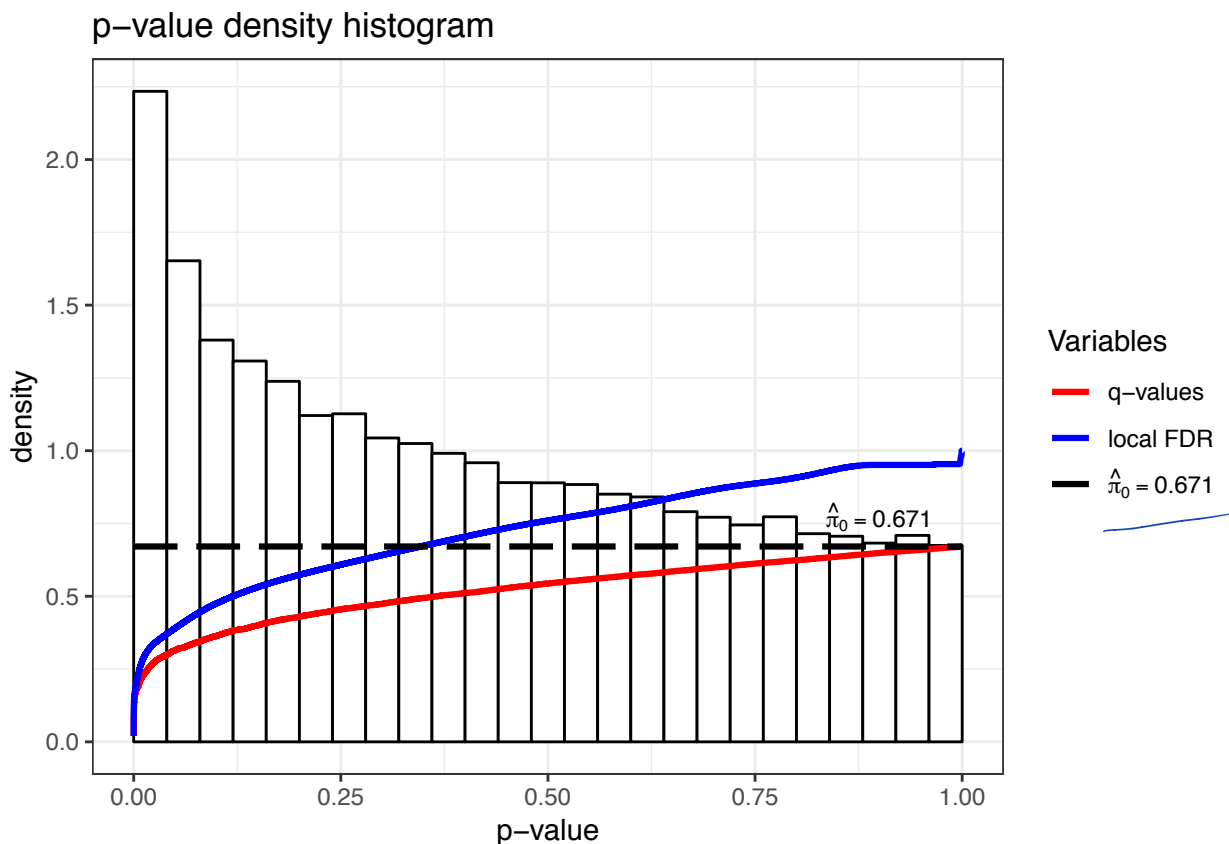
> de_obj <- build_models(data = kidexpr, cov = cov,
+                       null.model = null_model,
+                       full.model = full_model)
> de_lrt <- lrt(de_obj, nullDistn = "bootstrap", bs.its = 100, verbose=FALSE)
> qobj1 <- qvalueObj(de_lrt)
> hist(qobj1)
```



Now that we have completed a standard generalized LRT, let's estimate  $Z$  (the surrogate variables) using the `sva` package as accessed via the `edge` package.

```
> dim(nullMatrix(de_obj))
[1] 72 2
> de_sva <- apply_sva(de_obj, n.sv=4, method="irw", B=10)
Number of significant surrogate variables is: 4
Iteration (out of 10 ): 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
> dim(nullMatrix(de_sva))
[1] 72 6
> de_svalrt <- lrt(de_sva, nullDistn = "bootstrap", bs.its = 100, verbose=F)

> qobj2 <- qvalueObj(de_svalrt)
> hist(qobj2)
```



```
> summary(qobj1)

Call:
qvalue(p = pval)

pi0:    0.8059662

Cumulative number of significant calls:
```

	<1e-04	<0.001	<0.01	<0.025	<0.05	<0.1	<1
p-value	28	175	879	1802	3064	5431	34061
q-value	0	0	2	4	16	30	34061
local FDR	0	0	2	2	8	21	34061

```
> summary(qobj2)
```

```
Call:
qvalue(p = pval)
```

```
pi0: 0.6708454
```

```
Cumulative number of significant calls:
```

	<1e-04	<0.001	<0.01	<0.025	<0.05	<0.1	<1
p-value	26	151	1022	2081	3635	6279	34061
q-value	0	0	0	3	4	47	34061
local FDR	0	0	0	1	3	28	34049

P-values from two analyses are fairly different.

```
> data.frame(lrt=-log10(qobj1$pval), sva=-log10(qobj2$pval)) %>%
+   ggplot() + geom_point(aes(x=lrt, y=sva), alpha=0.3) + geom_abline()
```

