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"Can clustering improve the performance of large-scale hypothesis testing? Ideas from an empirical Bayes lab"

In Person

Thursday, April 7, 2022, at 3:30 PM George Herbert Jones Laboratory, Room 303, 5747 S. Ellis Avenue *Reception before the seminar in Jones 304.*

Abstract

Large-scale hypothesis testing and prioritization problems occur in many contemporary statistical applications. Well-developed methods and computational tools report the most interesting testing units subject to control on the rate of false discoveries, however performance improvements are possible. Motivated by examples from single-cell RNA-sequencing, antibody profiling, and brain imaging, I will review some recent empirical Bayesian approaches to this problem, with a focus on methods that modulate local false discovery rates using information from the clustering of samples or inference units.