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Latent Variable Analysis, Statistical Genetics, Biostatistics, Big Data Analytics

Statistical Methodology and Theory

- 1. Our primary research focuses on methodological development of latent variable models. We have developed a very flexible latent class model, theory and practical methods for selecting the number of underlying variable categories, an alternative two-stage optimization-based approach to model fitting, and a Bayesian framework to perform the joint estimation of the number of latent classes and model parameters.
- 2. We also work on genetic analysis studies, including: developing a formal statistical methodology for validating endophenotypes (Figure 1), analysis of gene expression microarray data (Figure 2), genotype imputation with different reference panels, Bayesian clustering approach for detecting gene-gene interactions in high-dimensional genotype data, and detecting copy number variations from next generation sequencing data.

Collaboration and Consultation

- 1. The Beaver Dam Offspring Study (University of Wisconsin-Madison).
- 2. Health evaluation for Taiwanese elderly hospitalized patients (National Taiwan University)
- 3. Patient subgroups of schizophrenia (National Taiwan University Hospital)
- 4. Components-dependency based process parameters mining for equipment data (Industrial Technology Research Institute) (Figure 3)

