Nonparametric Correlation

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Overview

This function makes use of the scipy package, specifically the *scipy.stats.spearmanr* and *scipy.stats.kendalltau* functions. With one numeric dependent column, the user can perform nonparametric correlation tests on all numeric columns.

Recommended Directory Location

Save the script to the following directory:

*..\Application Data\Golden Helix SVS\UserScripts\Spreadsheet\Numeric

Note: The **Application Data** folder is a hidden folder on Windows operating systems and its location varies between XP and Vista. The easiest way to locate this directory on your computer is to open SVS and select **Tools > Open Folder > UserScripts Folder**. If saved to the proper folder, this script will be accessible from the spreadsheet **Numeric** menu.

Preparing to use the Script

This script should be run from a spreadsheet containing a numeric dependent column and several active numeric columns.

- From an appropriate spreadsheet, choose Numeric > Nonparametic Correlation.
 The Nonparametric Association Tests (Binary Dependent) dialog allows the user to choose the test and output options.
- 2. Choose the Spearman Rank Correlation test or the Kendall Tau Correlation test and choose to output or not the Bonferroni adjusted p-values and the –log10 p-values.
- 3. The resulting spreadsheet has a column containing the test statistic for each active numeric column in the original spreadsheet, a p-value column and optional log10(P) and Bonf-P columns. If a marker map was applied to the columns of the original spreadsheet, it is reapplied to the rows or the Results spreadsheet.

For more information about the internal scipy functions see:

http://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/generated/scipy.stats.spearmanr.html#scipy.stats.spearmanr

and

http://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/generated/scipy.stats.kendalltau.html#scipy.stats.kendalltau