

# Package ‘DEHOGT’

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**Type** Package

**Title** Differentially Expressed Heterogeneous Overdispersion Gene Test  
for Count Data

**Version** 0.99.0

**Description** Implements a generalized linear model approach for detecting differentially expressed genes across treatment groups in count data. The package supports both quasi-Poisson and negative binomial models to handle over-dispersion, ensuring robust identification of differential expression. It allows for the inclusion of treatment effects and gene-wise covariates, as well as normalization factors for accurate scaling across samples. Additionally, it incorporates statistical significance testing with options for p-value adjustment and log<sub>2</sub> fold range thresholds, making it suitable for RNA-seq analysis as described in by Xu et al., (2024) <[doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0300565](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0300565)>.

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**biocViews** GeneExpression, DifferentialExpression, StatisticalMethod,  
Regression, Normalization

**VignetteBuilder** knitr

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## Description

Differentially Expressed Heterogeneous Overdispersion Genes Testing for Count Data This script implements the main function of the proposed method in the above paper

## Usage

```
dehogt_func(
  data,
  treatment,
  norm_factors = NULL,
  covariates = NULL,
  dist = "qpois",
  padj = TRUE,
  pval_thre = 0.05,
  l2fc = FALSE,
  l2fc_thre = 1,
  num_cores = 1
)
```

## Arguments

data	A matrix of gene expression data where rows represent genes and columns represent samples.
treatment	A vector specifying the treatment conditions for each sample.
norm_factors	An optional vector of normalization factors for each sample. Default is NULL, which assumes equal normalization factors.
covariates	An optional matrix of gene-wise covariates. Default is NULL.
dist	The distribution family for the GLM. Can be "qpois" for quasi-Poisson or "neg-bin" for negative binomial. Default is "qpois".

padj	Logical value indicating whether to adjust p-values using the Benjamini-Hochberg (BH) procedure. Default is TRUE.
pval_thre	The threshold for identifying differentially expressed genes based on adjusted p-values. Default is 0.05.
l2fc	Logical value indicating whether to consider log2 fold change for identifying differentially expressed genes. Default is FALSE.
l2fc_thre	The threshold for log2 fold change in identifying differentially expressed genes. Default is 1.
num_cores	The number of CPU cores to use for parallel computing. Default is 1.

**Value**

A list containing:

DE_idx	A logical vector indicating differentially expressed genes.
pvals	A numeric vector of p-values for each gene.
log2fc	A numeric vector of log2 fold changes for each gene.

**Examples**

```
# simulate gene expression data
data <- matrix(rpois(1000, 10), nrow = 100, ncol = 10)
# simulate random treatment assignments
treatment <- sample(0:1, 10, replace = TRUE)
# Run main function with parallel computing using 2 cores
result <- dehogt_func(data, treatment, num_cores = 2)
```

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