

Motif finding with Gibbs sampling example

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The Data

- Hidden motif of width 7 in 4 sequences of length 10
- Each motif occurrence differs from consensus (GATTACA) in two positions

ACCATGACAG
GAGTATACCT
CATGCTTACT
CGGAATGCAT

Initialization

- Choose initial positions of motif at random

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Predictive update step

- Update profile matrix based on motif and background frequencies and pseudocounts

background motif position 4

ACCATGACAG ← exclude

GAGTATACCT

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	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	3	0	1	1	2	1	0	0
C	2	0	1	0	0	1	2	1
G	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
T	2	1	0	2	1	1	0	2

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$$p_{1,G} = \frac{c_{1,G} + b_G}{N - 1 + B} = \frac{2 + 0.5}{4 - 1 + 2} = 0.5$$

$$p_{1,T} = \frac{c_{1,T} + b_T}{N - 1 + B} = \frac{1 + 0.5}{4 - 1 + 2} = 0.3$$

$$p_{0,A} = \frac{c_{0,A} + b_A}{\sum_{i \neq 1} (\ell_i - W) + B} = \frac{3 + 0.5}{3(3) + 2} = \frac{7}{22}$$

$$p_{0,C} = \frac{c_{0,C} + b_C}{\sum_{i \neq 1} (\ell_i - W) + B} = \frac{2 + 0.5}{3(3) + 2} = \frac{5}{22}$$

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	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	0.31	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1
C	0.23	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.3
G	0.23	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1
T	0.23	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.5

Sampling step

- For each possible motif start position, calculate ratio of likelihood of next W positions from motif vs. background

	1	2	3	4
A_i	0.16	0.13	0.26	0.017

$$A_1 = \frac{p_{1,A} \cdot p_{2,C} \cdot p_{3,C} \cdot p_{4,A} \cdot p_{5,T} \cdot p_{6,G} \cdot p_{7,A}}{p_{0,A} \cdot p_{0,C} \cdot p_{0,C} \cdot p_{0,A} \cdot p_{0,T} \cdot p_{0,G} \cdot p_{0,A}} \approx \frac{0.1 \cdot 0.3 \cdot 0.1 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.3 \cdot 0.3 \cdot 0.1}{0.31 \cdot 0.23 \cdot 0.23 \cdot 0.31 \cdot 0.23 \cdot 0.23 \cdot 0.31} \approx 0.16$$

ACCATGA CAG

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T	0.23	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.5

Sampling step

- Sample new position i in chosen sequence based on A_i

	1	2	3	4
A_i	0.16	0.13	0.26	0.017

↓ normalize

	1	2	3	4
A_i	0.28	0.23	0.46	0.03

draw random sample
from distribution

$a_3 = 2$

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Calculate likelihood

- Calculate likelihood (or some related value) after each iteration
- Iterate:
 - choose sequence
 - predictive update
 - sample new motif position in sequence
- After many iterations, choose motif positions and corresponding profile matrix