

# Statistical learning of a scoring function for the local score of one sequence

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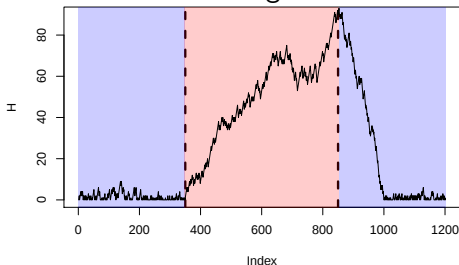
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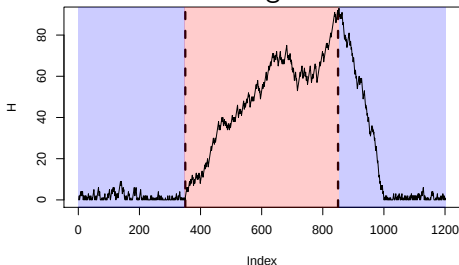
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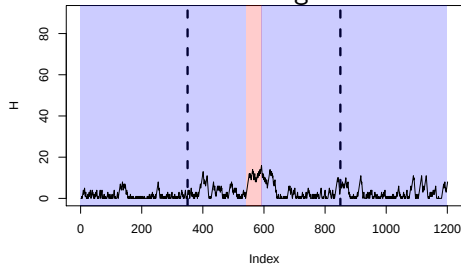
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# Introduction - The Gibbs measure for the local score

$$\mathbb{P}_{\text{Gibbs}}^{f,T}(I|\mathbb{X}) \propto \exp \left( -\frac{1}{T} \left( -\sum_{i \in I} f(X_i) \right) \right)$$

where

- $T > 0$  is the temperature of the system
- $-\sum_{i \in I} f(X_i)$  is the energy of the segment  $I$

Remarks :

- The local score segment  $I_f(\mathbb{X})$  is the segment of **minimal energy**
- $T$  is a **contrast parameter**.
  - $\mathbb{P}_{\text{Gibbs}}^{f,T}(I|\mathbb{X}) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow +\infty}$  Uniform distribution
  - $\mathbb{P}_{\text{Gibbs}}^{f,T}(I|\mathbb{X}) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow 0}$  Dirac distribution in  $I_f(\mathbb{X})$

# Introduction - A generative model (GM)

$$\mathbb{P}_{\text{GM}}^{q_0, q_1}(\mathbb{X}|I) = \prod_{i \notin I} q_0(X_i) \prod_{i \in I} q_1(X_i) \quad \mathbb{P}_{\text{GM}}^{q_0, q_1}(I|\mathbb{X}) \propto \exp \left( \sum_{i \in I} \log \frac{q_1(X_i)}{q_0(X_i)} \right)$$

## Theorem 1 (GM $\Rightarrow$ Gibbs)

$$\forall (q_0, q_1) \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{X}}^2, \quad \forall T > 0,$$

$$\exists ! f, \quad \mathbb{P}_{\text{Gibbs}}^{f, T}(I|\mathbb{X}) = \mathbb{P}_{\text{GM}}^{q_0, q_1}(I|\mathbb{X}) \quad \text{with} \quad f(x) = T \times \log \frac{q_1(x)}{q_0(x)}$$

## Theorem 2 (GM $\Leftarrow$ Gibbs)

$$\forall q_0 \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{X}} \text{ and } \forall f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; \quad \text{Condition: } \mathbb{E}_{q_0}(f) < 0 \text{ and } \exists x \in \mathcal{X}, f(x) > 0$$

$$\exists ! T > 0 \text{ and } q_1 \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{X}}; \quad \mathbb{P}_{\text{GM}}^{q_0, q_1}(I|\mathbb{X}) = \mathbb{P}_{\text{Gibbs}}^{f, T}(I|\mathbb{X})$$

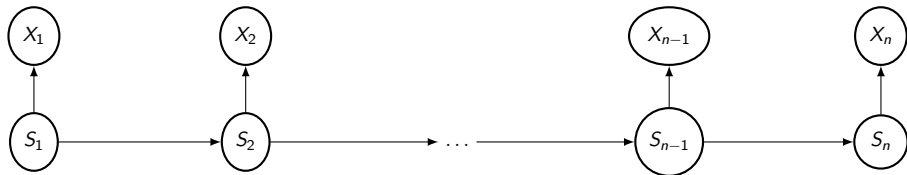
$$\text{and } \forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \quad q_1(x) = q_0(x) \exp \left( \frac{f(x)}{T} \right)$$

# Method: GM as a HMM-like

Observed variables:  $\mathbb{X} = X_1, \dots, X_n \in \mathcal{X}^n$  (e.g.  $\mathcal{X} = \{A, C, G, T\}$ )

Latent variables:  $\mathbb{S} = S_1, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{S}^n$  ( $\mathcal{S} = \{1, 2, 3\}$ )

Generating distributions:  $q_0$  and  $q_1 : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$



$$\mathbb{P}(X_i | S_i, \theta) = \begin{cases} q_0(X_i) & \text{if } S_i \neq 2 \\ q_1(X_i) & \text{if } S_i = 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{and the constrained transition } \pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Parameter:** We assume  $q_0$  known.

$q_1 \propto \exp(\theta)$  ( $|\mathcal{X}| - 1$  free parameters).

**Our goal:** Estimate  $\theta$  (MLE) and compute the derivatives of the likelihood to get confidence intervals and perform statistical tests.

Likelihood  $L(\theta) = \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{X}|\theta) \propto \sum_{\mathbb{S}} \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{X} = X|\mathbb{S}, \theta)$

- **Evidence:**  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, e(x) = \frac{q_1(x)}{q_0(x)}$  or  $e(x) = \exp\left(\frac{f(x)}{T}\right)$

$$L(\theta) \propto \prod_i q_0(X_i) \sum_{\mathbb{S}} \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_{j,k} \times e(x_i)^{\mathbb{1}_{k=2}} \propto \sum_{\mathbb{S}} \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_{j,k} \times e(x_i)^{\mathbb{1}_{k=2}}$$

- **Potential** of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  clique  $C_i = \{S_i, S_{i-1}\}$ :  
 $\phi_i(S_{i-1} = j, S_i = k|\theta) = \pi_{j,k} \times e(x_i)^{\mathbb{1}_{k=2}}$  (Convention:  $S_0 = 1$ )

$$L(\theta) \propto \sum_{\mathbb{S}} \prod_{i=1}^n \phi_i(S_{i-1}, S_i|\theta)$$

## Computation

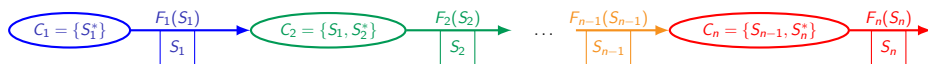
Each  $S_i$  having 3 possible states (except  $S_1$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Naive complexity =  $\mathcal{O}(3^n)$

# The *sum - product* or *message - passing* algorithm

**Forward messages** computed by induction.

$$F_1(S_1|\theta) = \phi_1(S_1|\theta) \text{ and } \forall i = 2, \dots, n,$$

$$F_i(S_i = k|\theta) = \sum_j F_{i-1}(S_{i-1} = j|\theta) \phi_i(S_{i-1} = j, S_i = k|\theta)$$



$$L(\theta) \propto \sum_{S_3} \dots \sum_{S_n} \left\{ \underbrace{\left( \sum_{S_2} \left( \underbrace{\sum_{S_1} \overbrace{\phi_1(S_1)}^{F_1(S_1)} \phi_2(S_1, S_2) }^{F_2(S_2)} \right) \phi_3(S_2, S_3) \right)}_{F_3(S_3)} \phi_4(S_3, S_4) \dots \phi_n(S_{n-1}, S_n) \right\}$$

$$L(\theta) \propto \sum_k F_n(k|\theta) \quad \text{with} \quad \text{Complexity} = \mathcal{O}(n \times 3^2)$$

# Method: Extension to the computation of derivatives

- Derivative generating function (Dgf):

$$D^d f(\theta) = \sum_{\ell=0}^d f^{(\ell)}(\theta) z^\ell \quad \text{where } z \text{ is a dummy variable.}$$

$$\text{E.g. } D^2 f(\theta) = f(\theta) + f'(\theta)z + f''(\theta)z^2$$

$\Rightarrow$  Polynomial potentials: For all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\Phi_i(S_{i-1} = j, S_i = k | \theta) = \pi_{j,k} D^d e(x_i)^{\mathbb{1}_{k=2}}$$

- Leibniz's product:

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^d \underbrace{f^{(\ell)}(\theta)}_{a_\ell} z^\ell \star \sum_{\ell=0}^d \underbrace{g^{(\ell)}(\theta)}_{b_\ell} z^\ell = \sum_{\ell=0}^d \underbrace{(fg)^{(\ell)}(\theta)}_{c_\ell} z^\ell \quad \text{with } c_\ell = \sum_{i=0}^{\ell} \binom{\ell}{i} a_i b_{\ell-i}$$

$$D^d(fg)(\theta) = D^d f(\theta) \star D^d g(\theta)$$

# Computation of the derivatives

$$L(\theta) \propto \sum_{\mathbb{S}} \prod_{i=1}^n \phi_i(S_{i-1}, S_i | \theta) \quad \Rightarrow \quad D^d L(\theta) \propto \sum_{\mathbb{S}} \bigstar_{i=1}^n D^d \Phi_i(S_{i-1}, S_i | \theta)$$

$$D^d L(\theta) \propto \sum_k \mathbf{F}_n(k | \theta)$$

$$\text{Complexity: } \mathcal{O}(n \times 3^2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{O}(n \times 3^2 \times d^2)$$

Special case  $d = 2$  :

$$L(\theta) + z^T \star \nabla L(\theta) + z^T \star \nabla^2 L(\theta) \star z \propto \sum_k F_n(k | \theta)$$

where  $z = (z_1 \dots z_p)^T$

# Application: Simulated dataset

## Parameter

We assume  $q_0 \in \mathbb{R}^4$  known,  $\theta = \{\theta_j\}_{j=1,\dots,3}$  and  $q_1(\cdot) \propto \exp(\theta)$

$$\forall j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \quad q_1(j) = \frac{\exp(\theta_j)}{\sum_k \exp(\theta_k)} \quad (\text{with the convention: } \theta_{|\mathcal{X}|} = 0).$$

## Observed variables

20 and 200 sequences  $\mathbb{X} = X_1, \dots, X_{1500}$  with  $X_i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$   
simulated with  $I^* = [501 : 1000]$ , the atypical segment and

$$q_0(\cdot) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.25 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.25 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad q_1^*(\cdot) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.20 \\ 0.60 \\ 0.05 \\ 0.15 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \theta^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0.288 \\ 1.386 \\ -1.099 \\ 0.000 \end{bmatrix}$$

30% of the sequences under  $\mathbb{H}_0$  (no atypical segment) and 70% under  $\mathbb{H}_1$  (one atypical segment).

# Simulated dataset: Confidence intervals

**Confidence interval for  $\theta$ .**  $\hat{\theta}$  using Newton-Raphson or EM algorithm.  
We assume  $\theta \sim \mathcal{N}(\hat{\theta}, \Sigma)$  with  $\Sigma^{-1} = -\nabla^2 \log L(\hat{\theta})$

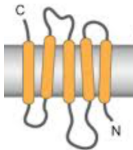
|            | $\theta^*$ | $\hat{\theta}$ [95% IC], $N = 20$ | $\hat{\theta}$ [95% IC], $N = 200$ |
|------------|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| $\theta_1$ | 0.288      | 0.344 [ 0.276; 0.411]             | 0.285 [ 0.264; 0.306]              |
| $\theta_2$ | 1.386      | 1.404 [ 1.346; 1.462]             | 1.390 [ 1.372; 1.408]              |
| $\theta_3$ | -1.099     | -1.004 [-1.104; -0.904]           | -1.095 [-1.128; -1.063]            |

**Confidence interval for the score  $\sigma = f/T = \log(q_1/q_0)$**

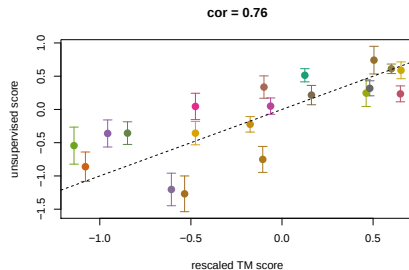
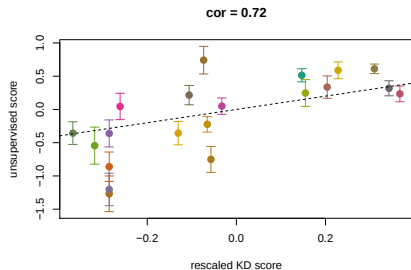
We define  $g : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ ;  $g(\theta) = \sigma = \log(q_1/q_0)$ . We assume  $g(\theta) \sim \mathcal{N}(g(\hat{\theta}), J\Sigma J^T)$  where  $J$  is the Jacobian matrix of  $g$  at  $\hat{\theta}$ .

|            | $\sigma^*$ | $\hat{\sigma}$ [95% IC], $N = 20$ | $\hat{\sigma}$ [95% IC], $N = 200$ |
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| $\sigma_1$ | -0.223     | -0.194 [-0.232; -0.155]           | -0.228 [-0.240; -0.215]            |
| $\sigma_2$ | 0.875      | 0.866 [ 0.850; 0.883]             | 0.877 [ 0.872; 0.883]              |
| $\sigma_3$ | -1.609     | -1.542 [-1.625; -1.458]           | -1.608 [-1.636; -1.581]            |
| $\sigma_4$ | -0.511     | -0.537 [-0.586; -0.489]           | -0.513 [-0.528; -0.498]            |

# Results: Transmembrane proteins



56 transmembrane (TM) proteins from the database data base UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot.



Kyte Doolittle Hydrophobic scale  
(Kyte and Doolittle, 1982)

Transmembrane tendency  
(Zhao and London, 2006)

# Conclusion

## Generalities

- The Gibbs measure for probabilizing the segmentation space.
- Generating model / HMM-like to learn a scoring function.
- Allows one to use the HMMs tools in the framework of the local score.

## Statistical learning of a scoring function

- sum - product algorithm to compute  $L(\theta)$  in a linear time.
- Adaptation of the sum - product algorithm with polynomial potentials to compute the exact derivatives of  $L(\theta)$  to get confidence intervals and perform statistical tests.

## Perspectives

- Adapt the method to an arbitrary number of segments.

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# Simulated dataset: Derivatives

$$\nabla q_{1,1} = \begin{bmatrix} q_{1,1} - q_{1,1}^2 \\ -q_{1,1}q_{1,2} \\ -q_{1,1}q_{1,3} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \nabla q_{1,2} = \begin{bmatrix} -q_{1,1}q_{1,2} \\ q_{1,2} - q_{1,2}^2 \\ -q_{1,2}q_{1,3} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \dots \nabla q_{1,3}, \quad \nabla q_{1,4}$$

$$\nabla^2 q_{1,1} = \begin{bmatrix} q_{1,1}(1 - 3q_{1,1} + 2q_{1,1}^2) & -q_{1,1}q_{1,2}(1 - 2q_{1,1}) & -q_{1,1}q_{1,3}(1 - 2q_{1,1}) \\ -q_{1,1}q_{1,2}(1 - 2q_{1,1}) & -q_{1,1}q_{1,2}(1 - 2q_{1,2}) & 2q_{1,1}q_{1,2}q_{1,3} \\ -q_{1,1}q_{1,3}(1 - 2q_{1,1}) & 2q_{1,1}q_{1,2}q_{1,3} & -q_{1,1}q_{1,3}c(1 - 2q_{1,3}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dots \nabla^2 q_{1,2}, \nabla^2 q_{1,3} \text{ and } \nabla^2 q_{1,4}$$