Markovian Models for Genome Rearrangement Evolution

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Outline

- Genome Rearrangement Evolution
 - The GNT Model
- Distribution of evolutionary distances
 - Breakpoint distance
 - Inversion distance
- Simulation study: accuracy of tree reconstruction
- Future work

Genomes As Signed Permutations



Genomes Evolve by Rearrangements

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Inversion:
1 2
$$-6 -5 -4 -3 7 8 9 10$$

Transposition:
1 2 7 8 3 4 5 6 9 10
Inverted Transposition:
1 2 7 8 $-6 -5 -4 -3 9 10$

Our Model: the Generalized Nadeau-Taylor Model [STOC'01]

- Three types of events:
 - Inversions (INV)
 - Transpositions (TRP)
 - Inverted Transpositions (ITP)
- Events of the same type are equiprobable
- Probabilities of the three types have fixed ratio

 $Pr(r \in INV) : Pr(r \in TRP) : Pr(r \in ITP)$ $= (1 - \alpha - \beta) : \alpha : \beta$

• We focus on signed circular genomes in this talk.

Edit Distances Between Genomes

- (INV) Inversion distance [Hannenhalli & Pevzner 1995]
 - Computable in linear time [Moret et al 2001]
- (BP) Breakpoint distance [Watterson et al. 1982]
 - Computable in linear time
 - NJ(BP): [Blanchette, Kunisawa, Sankoff, 1999]

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & -8 & -7 & -6 & 4 & 5 & 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$BP(A,B)=3$$

Quantifying Error





NJ(BP) and NJ(INV)



Inversion only

Transpositions/ inverted transpositions only

120 genes, 160 leaves Uniformly Random Trees

Additive Distance Matrix and True Evolutionary Distance (T.E.D.)



Theorem [Waterman *et al.* 1977] Given an $m \times m$ additive distance matrix, we can reconstruct a tree realizing the distance in $O(m^2)$ time.

Error Tolerance of Neighbor Joining

Theorem [Atteson 1999]

Let $\{D_{ij}\}$ be the true evolutionary distances, and $\{d_{ij}\}$ be the estimated distances for T. Let **e** be the length of the shortest edge in T. If for all taxa *i*,*j*, we have

$$|D_{ij} - d_{ij}| < \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{e}$$

then neighbor joining returns T.

BP and INV



BP/2 vs K (120 genes) INV vs K

(K: Actual number of inversions) (Inversion-only evolution)

Estimate True Evolutionary Distances Using BP



To use the scatter plot to estimate the actual number of events (K):

- 1. Compute BP/2
- 2. From the curve, look up the corresponding value of K

(K: Actual number of inversions)

(Inversion-only evolution)

Using Breakpoints to Estimate T.E.D.

- Compute f_n(k) = E[BP(G₀, G_k)]
 (i.e. the expected number of breakpoints after k random events; n is the number of genes)
- Given two genomes G and G':
 - Compute breakpoint distance d = BP(G, G')
 - Find k so that f_n (k) is closest to d
- Challenge: finding f_n (k)

True Evolutionary Distance (t.e.d.) Estimators for Gene Order Data

T.E.D.	Exact-IEBP	Approx-IEBP	EDE
Estimator	[WABI'01]	[STOC'01]	[ISMB′01]
Based on the Expectation of	Breakpoint	Breakpoint	Inversion
	distance	distance	distance
	(Exact)	(Approx.)	(Approx.)
Derivation	Analytical	Analytical	Empirical
Model knowledge	Required	Required	Inversion- only

IEBP: Inverting the Expected BreakPoint distance EDE: Empirically Derived Estimator

Exact-IEBP [WABI'01]

• Breakpoints are identically distributed: use linearity



State Notation

The sign and position of gene 2 with respect to gene 1 (at pos 1) is {-n, -(n-1), ..., -2, 2, 3, ..., n}.



Markov Chain for a Breakpoint

- Let n be the number of genes
- Each breakpoint (in particular, bp between genes 1 and 2) is a Markov process with 2(n-1) states
- We have

$$M_{u,v} = (1 - \alpha - \beta)(M_I)_{u,v} + \alpha(M_T)_{u,v} + \beta(M_V)_{u,v}$$

= $\frac{1 - \alpha - \beta}{\binom{n}{2}} \iota_n(u,v) + \frac{\alpha}{\binom{n}{3}} \tau_n(u,v) + \frac{\beta}{3\binom{n}{3}} \nu_n(u,v)$

where

- $\iota_n(u,v)$ is the number of inversions,
- $au_n(u,v)$ is the number of transpositions,
- $u_n(u, v)$ is the number of inverted transpositions,

that bring gene 2 in state u to state v (n is the number of genes in each genome).

• The probability trasitional matrix is easily obtained:

$$\begin{split} \iota_n(u,v) &= \begin{cases} \min\{|u|-1,|v|-1,n+1-|u|,n+1-|v|\} \\ (if \ uv < 0) \\ 0 \\ (if \ u \neq v,uv > 0) \\ \binom{|u|-1}{2} + \binom{n+1-|u|}{2} \\ (if \ u = v) \end{cases} \\ \tau_n(u,v) &= \begin{cases} 0 \\ (\min\{|u|,|v|\}-1)(n+1-\max\{|u|,|v|\}) \\ (if \ u \neq v,uv > 0) \\ \binom{n+1-|u|}{3} + \binom{|u|-1}{3} \\ (if \ u = v) \end{cases} \\ \tau_n(u,v) \\ \tau_n(u,v) \\ (if \ u \neq v,uv > 0) \\ (if \ u = v) \end{cases} \end{split}$$

-10 -9 -8 -7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

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	-10	(36 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1)	
	-9	0 29 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1	
	-8	0 0 24 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 3 3 3 3 3 2 1	
	-7	0 0 0 21 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 3 4 4 4 3 2 1	
	-6	0 0 0 0 20 0 0 0 0 1 2 3 4 5 4 3 2 1	
	-5	0 0 0 0 0 21 0 0 0 1 2 3 4 4 4 3 2 1	
	-4	0 0 0 0 0 0 24 0 0 1 2 3 3 3 3 3 2 1	
	-3	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 29 0 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1	
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	4	1 2 3 3 3 3 3 2 1 0 0 24 0 0 0 0 0 0	
	5	1 2 3 4 4 4 3 2 1 0 0 0 21 0 0 0 0 0	
	6	1 2 3 4 5 4 3 2 1 0 0 0 0 20 0 0 0 0	
	7	1 2 3 4 4 4 3 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 21 0 0 0	
	8	1 2 3 3 3 3 3 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 24 0 0	
	9	1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 29 0	
	10	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 36	

 $M_I = \frac{1}{\begin{pmatrix} 10\\2 \end{pmatrix}}$

Exact-IEBP

- There are 2(n-1) states.
- The transitional matrix has dimension $2(n-1) \times 2(n-1)$.
- To compute E[BP(G₀,G_k)] for k up to 2n takes O(n³)time. (2n matrix-vector multiplications)

Reducing the State Space



Lower and Upper Bounds

- Under the GNT model, s is constant
- *u* is not constant, but has good lower and upper bounds: u_{max} and u_{min}
- Parameter *u* is small with respect to *s*



Inversion-Only Evolution

- Unsigned genome: u_{min}=u_{max} -> Markov Process [Caprara & Lancia, 2000]
- Signed genome:



 The two Markov chains (s,u_{min}) and (s,u_{max}) give lower and upper bounds to the expectation of breakpoint distance.

GNT Model

•
$$s = (1 - a - b)s_I + a s_T + b s_{IT}$$

 $u_{\min} = (1 - a - b)u_{I,\min} + a u_{T,\min} + b u_{IT,\min}$
 $u_{\max} = (1 - a - b)u_{I,\max} + a u_{T,\max} + b u_{IT,\max}$

•
$$P_k^L \le \Pr(B_1(G_k \mid G_0) = 1) \le P_k^H$$
, where
 $P_k^L = s \frac{1 - (1 - s - u_{\max})^k}{1 - (1 - s - u_{\max})}$ $P_k^H = s \frac{1 - (1 - s - u_{\min})^k}{1 - (1 - s - u_{\min})}$

•
$$\mathcal{F}_{k} = \frac{n}{2} (P_{k}^{L} + P_{k}^{H}) \sim E[BP(G_{k}, G_{0})]$$

Approx-IEBP [Wang & Warnow, STOC'01]

Theorem Let G_k be the genome obtained after applying krandom rearrangement events to genome G_0 according to the GNT model with parameters α and β . Let \mathcal{F}_k be the estimate to $E[BP(G_k, G_0)]$ in the Approx-IEBP distance. For all k > 0,

$$|\mathcal{F}_k - E[BP(G_k, G_0)]| \le 1 + \frac{1}{n-1}, \text{ and}$$

$$\phi^{-1} \le \frac{\mathcal{F}_k}{E[BP(G_k, G_0)]} \le \phi$$

where $\phi = 1 + \frac{2+4\alpha+2\beta}{2+\alpha+\beta}n^{-1} + O(n^{-2}).$

True Evolutionary Distance Estimators



(K: Actual number of inversions)

(Inversion-only evolution)

Variance of True Evolutionary Distance Estimators

- There are new distance-based phylogeny reconstruction methods (though designed for DNA sequences)
 - Weighbor [Bruno et al. 2000]

uses the variance of good *t.e.d.*s, and yield more accurate trees than NJ.

- Variance estimates for the *t.e.d.*s [Wang WABI'02]
 - Weighbor(IEBP),
 Weighbor(EDE)



K vs Exact-IEBP (120 genes)

Deriving Var(BP)

- Difficulties in deriving Var(BP):
 - Even E(BP) is only in the form of unsimplified sums [RECOMB '99, WABI '01].
 - Breakpoints are not independent.
- We will use an approximating model to examine all breakpoints simultaneously
 - Idea: once two adjacent genes are separated, it is hard to bring the two genes back again (especially when there are many genes).

Approximating Model

- Approximating box model: boxes correspond to breakpoints.
- An approximation (using *n* boxes) can be obtained in the following way:
 - Every inversion chooses two boxes and put a ball in them if they are empty.
 - The BP distance is approximated by the number of nonempty boxes.



Approximating Model

Notations:

- Let $B_i = 1$ if box i is not empty, 0 if it is.
- We use inversion-only model to illustrate; let i and j be the two breakpoints corresponding to the two endpoints of the inversion being applied.
- Let the number of breakpoints be b.
- Let n be the number of genes.

Why the Approximation Works

• Case analysis: [Hannenhalli and Pevzner 1995]

Case	?BP	Condition	# inversi	ons
1	+2	$B_i = B_j = 0$	$\binom{n-b}{2}$	
2	+1	$B_i=0, B_j=1 \text{ or } B_i=1, B_j=0$	b(n-	- <i>b</i>)
3a	0	$B_i = B_j = 1$		Total
3b	-1	$B_i = B_j = 1$, one/both of ($a_{i-1}, -a_i$), (- a_{i}, a_i)	$\leq b$	$\begin{pmatrix} b \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$
Зс	-2	adjacencies are in G _{0.}		(2)

- When b is small, probability of case 3 out of cases 1, 2, and 3 is small (when n is large)
- When b is large, probability of 3b/3c out of case 3 is small
- As a result we can ignore cases 3b/3c
 -> As a breakpoint is asserted, it does not disappear

Derivation of the Variance

• Fix k. Let
$$S = \left(\frac{1}{\binom{n}{2}}(x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 + \ldots + x_{n-1}x_n)\right)^k$$

- Each term in the expansion of S is a way of applying k inversions
 - *E.g.* $x_1^3 x_2 x_3^2$: box 1 three times, 2 once, 3 twice
- The coefficient of the term is the probabilities of such k inversions
- If transpositions and inverted transpositions are present:

$$S = \left(\frac{1 - \alpha - \beta}{\binom{n}{2}} \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} x_i x_j + \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\binom{n}{3}} \sum_{1 \le i < j < l \le n} x_i x_j x_l\right)$$

Let S(a₁, a₂,..., a_n) be the value of S when we let x_i=a_i for all i.

• Let
$$S_j = S(\underbrace{1, 1, 1, \dots, 1}_{j \ 1's}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

Derivation of Var(BP)

• Let u_i be the sum of coefficients of all terms in the expansion of S in the following form:

$$x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \cdots x_i^{a_i} (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i > 0)$$

Then $\binom{n}{i}u_i$ is the probability of having i nonempty boxes after k events.

• We want to compute

$$Z_a = \sum_{i=0}^n i(i-1)\cdots(i-a+1)\binom{n}{i}u_i = n(n-1)\cdots(n-a+1)\sum_{i=a}^n \binom{n-a}{i-a}u_i$$

In particular,

$$z_{1} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} i \binom{n}{i} u_{i} = E[b \mid k] \approx E[BP(G_{0}, G_{k})]$$

$$z_{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} i(i-1)\binom{n}{i} u_{i} = E[b^{2} - b \mid k] \approx E[BP^{2}(G_{0}, G_{k}) - BP(G_{0}, G_{k})]$$

$$S = \left(\frac{1}{\binom{n}{2}}\left(\sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} x_i x_j\right)\right)^k$$

=
$$\sum_{1 \le i \le n} \sum_{\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_i\} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}} \sum_{\substack{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i \ge 1\\a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_i = 2k}} c(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_i, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i) x_{t_1}^{a_1} x_{t_2}^{a_2} \cdots x_{t_i}^{a_i}$$

$$S_{j} = \sum_{1 \le i \le j} \sum_{\{t_{1}, t_{2}, \dots, t_{i}\} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, j\}} \sum_{\substack{a_{1}, a_{2}, \dots, a_{i} \ge 1 \\ a_{1} + a_{2} + \dots + a_{i} = 2k}} c(t_{1}, t_{2}, \dots, t_{i}, a_{1}, a_{2}, \dots, a_{i})$$
$$= \sum_{1 \le i \le j} \sum_{\{t_{1}, t_{2}, \dots, t_{i}\} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, j\}} u_{i} = \sum_{1 \le i \le j} {j \choose i} u_{i}$$

Lemma Let a be some given integer such that $1 \le a \le n$. Let us be given $\{u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n\}$ such that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{j} \binom{j}{i} u_i = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \binom{j}{i} u_i = S_j$$

for all $j, 1 \leq j \leq n$. We have

$$\sum_{i=n-a}^{n} (-1)^{n-i} \binom{a}{n-i} S_i = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \binom{n-a}{i-a} u_i$$

Expectation and Variance [WABI'02]

• Let b_k be the number of nonempty boxes after k (box choosing) iterations in the approximation model. Let $a + \beta = 2$. We have

$$S_{n-1} = (1 - \frac{2 + \gamma}{n})^k, S_{n-2} = \left(\frac{(n-3)(n-2-2\gamma)}{n(n-1)}\right)^k$$

$$Eb_k = n(1 - S_{n-1})$$

$$Varb_k = nS_{n-1} - n^2 S_{n-1}^2 + n(n-1)S_{n-2}^2$$

• We use the delta method to obtain the variance of IEBP:

$$\operatorname{Var} \, \widehat{k}(b_k) \ \simeq \ \left(\frac{d}{dk} E b_k\right)^{-2} \operatorname{Var} \, b_k = \frac{\left(1 - nS_{n-1} + (n-1)(\frac{S_{n-2}}{S_{n-1}})\right)}{nS_{n-1}(\ln(1-\frac{2+\gamma}{n}))^2}$$

Simulation Results



Variance of BP distance after k events

Variance of IEBP

(120 genes, inversion only)

Regression Formula for E(INV) and Var(INV)

- Let n be the number of genes, x be the normalized number of inversions (k/n), and f(x) be the normalized expectation of the inversion distance (f(x) seems to be roughly independent of n)
- We use nonlinear regression to obtain easily computable formulas for E(INV) and Var(INV):

$$f(x) = \min\{\frac{x^2 + bx}{x^2 + cx + b}, x\} \quad (x = \frac{k}{n})$$

1. $f(0) = 0$ 2. $f'(0) = 1$
3. $0 \le f(x) \le x$
4. $f^{-1}(y)$ exists for all $y: 0 \le y \le 1$

-> b=0.5956, c=0.4577

EDE

[Moret, Wang, Warnow, & Wyman, ISMB'01]



Formula for Var(INV) and Var(EDE)

- Let n be the number of genes, x be the normalized number of inversions (k/n), and g_n(x) be the standard deviation of the inversion distance.
- The regression of $g_n(x)$: we use the following form

$$g_n(x) = n^q \frac{ux^2 + vx}{x^2 + wx + t}$$

q=-0.6998, u=0.1684, v=0.1573, w=-1.3893, and t=0.8224.

 Var(EDE) can be obtained using the delta method on Var(INV).

Regression for Var(INV)



Distance-Based Methods



Using T.E.D. Helps



IEBP is Robust to Model Violations



120 genes, 160 taxa Uniformly Random Trees (alpha,beta)=(0,0) (inversion only)

Maximum Parsimony Returns Thousands of Trees

- Example:
 - The complete *Caesalpinia* dataset: 7095 trees on 82 taxa.
 - The *Astericeae* dataset: 34,560 trees on 288 taxa.
- Consensus methods are necessary so we can summarize so many trees.
- Current approaches are limited to the strict consensus and majority consensus trees, and lose information

Postprocessing: Traditional Approaches

• Single-tree consensus Example: strict consensus



How Do We Interpret the Consensus Tree

• Given a nonbinary consensus tree *t*, every binary tree that refines *t* is equally probable to be the true tree:



Disadvantages of Single-Tree Consensus

- Loses a lot of information
- Sensitive to outlier trees
- Sensitive to small perturbations in the dataset

Sometimes A Cluster is Enough (Campanulaceae)



The *Campanulaceae* Gene-Order Dataset

 1. 13 taxa (outgroup Tobacco)
 2. 216 trees

(Courtesy Nina Amenta and Jeff Klingner)

Complex Structure in the Inferred Set of Trees

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The *Caesalpinia* cpDNA Dataset

1. 51 taxa

2. 342 trees

(Courtesy Nina Amenta and Jeff Klingner)

Why We Want to Cluster Trees

- Dividing trees into clusters, and use the consensus trees from each cluster to represent "conflicting hypotheses" for the true phylogeny.
- Merits:
 - Represent the input set of trees better
 - Identify outliers
 - Restrict perturbations to a small number of clusters

Biological Criteria

- Number of clusters
- Number of edges of the consensus
- Diameter of a cluster
- Density of clusters
- Etc.

Information Loss: How We Interpret the Clustering

• We can define distributions for both the original set of trees and the clustering.

<u>Input set of tree T:</u> All trees are equally probable. <u>Clustering</u> { $C_1, C_2, ..., C_k$ }: All trees refining any of SC(C_i) are equally probable.



Distributions

• Input set of tree *T*:

$$f_{T}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|T|} & \text{if } t \in T \\ 0 & \text{othewise} \end{cases}$$
Clustering $\{C_{1}, C_{2}, \dots, C_{k}\}$: let
$$B = \bigcup_{i=1}^{k} B(C_{i})$$

$$f_{C}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|B|} & \text{if } t \in B \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(Here B(C) is the set of binary trees that refine the strict consensus of C)

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Information Loss (KL)

- The distance between the two distributions is the loss of information due to clustering.
 - L₁ distance
 - L₂ distance
 - L distance

$$L_{x}(T,C) = \sum_{t} \|f_{T}(t) - f_{C}(t)\|_{x}$$

- Kullback-Leibler distance (relative entropy):

$$KL(T,C) = \sum_{t} f_T(t) \ln \frac{f_T(t)}{f_C(t)}$$

Postprocessing of Phylogenetic Analysis Using Clustering [ISMB'02]

- The first framework using clustering algorithms in the postprocessing of phylogenetic analyses.
 - Improves upon the traditional single-consensus approach in terms of information loss
- Identifies outliers in the *Caesalpinia* dataset
 - Improves the resolution of the strict consensus by 36%
 - Only loses 4% of the trees



Number of Clusters

Caesalpinia (51 taxa, 450 trees)

Clu No.	No. of Trees	% Edges lost
1clu	450	22.9%
1	108	10.4%
2	324	12.5%
3	18	10.4%
1+2	432	14.6%

KL(Agg-complete, 3clu) = 1.449269KL(1clu) = 9.790346

Improvement: (22.9-14.6)/22.9 = 36% % trees dropped: 18/450=4%

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