



Introduction to Hmm

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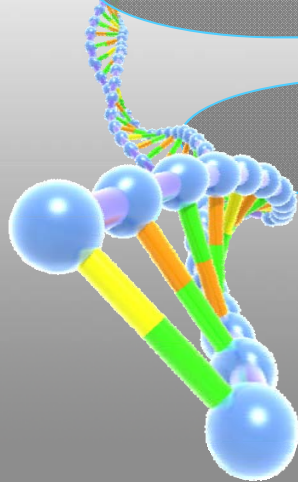
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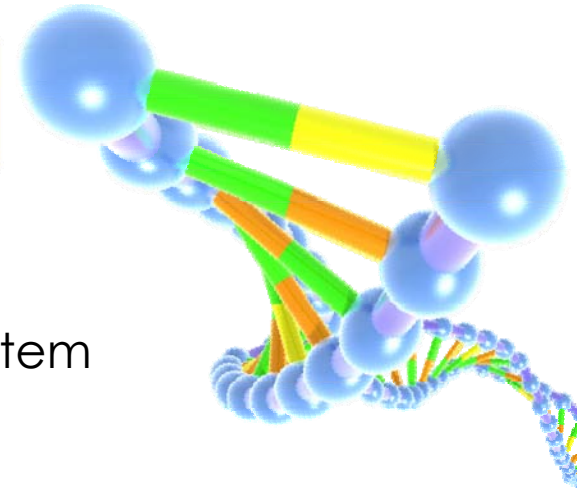
Introduce Hmm databases and Hmmer3



•The applications of HMM

Speech Recognition

Phoneme



Iphone4s Siri :

a voice-controlled artificial intelligence system



Android 4.0:

a real-time speech-to-text translation

Biological sequence searching and aligning

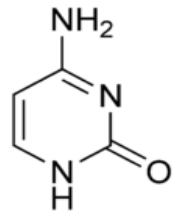
Nucleotides & AAs



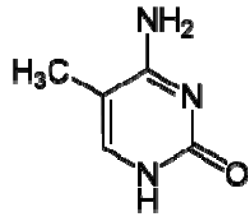
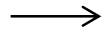
Hmmer 3.0:

Used for searching sequence databases for homologs of protein sequences, and for making protein sequence alignments.

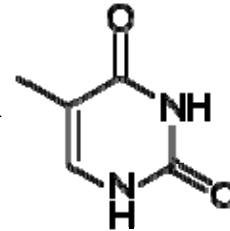
•CG island Example



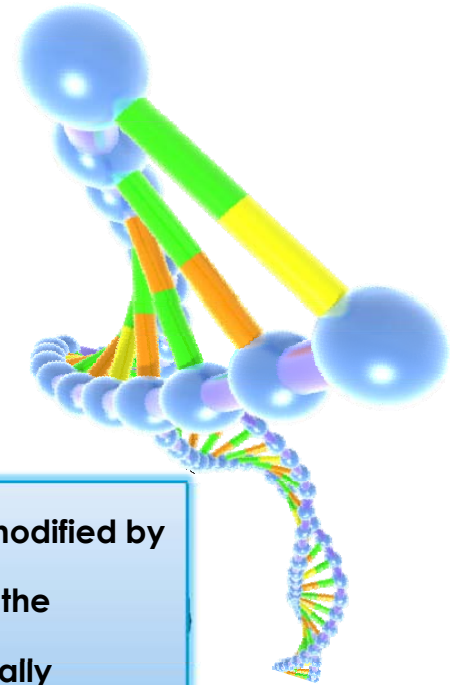
Cytosine (C)



5-Methylcytosine



Thymine(T)



In the human genome wherever the dinucleotide CG, the C is typically chemically modified by methylation. There is a relatively high chance of this methyl-C mutating into a T, with the consequence that in general CG dinucleotides are rarer in the genome. For biologically important reasons the methylation process is **suppressed in short stretches** of the genome, such as around the promoters or 'start' regions of many genes. In these regions we see many more CG dinucleotides than elsewhere, and in fact more C and G nucleotides in general. Such regions are called **CG islands**.

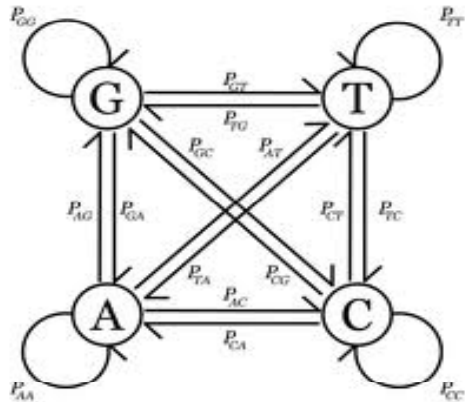


Given a short stretch of genomic sequence, how would we decide if it comes from a CG island or not?



How do we find the CG islands in a long unannotated sequence?

•Standard Markov Model (introduction)



ATCGCCGATGGTAATGCCTT

Length (L) = 20

- **States:**

A, T, C, G

- **Transition probability:**

P_{AT} = The probability of A follow by T

- **Sequence probability:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X) &= P(X_L, X_{L-1}, \dots, X_1) \\
 &= P(X_L | X_{L-1}, \dots, X_1) P(X_{L-1} | X_{L-2}, \dots, X_1) \dots P(X_1) \\
 &= P(X_L | X_{L-1}) P(X_{L-1} | X_{L-2}) \dots P(X_2 | X_1) P(X_1)
 \end{aligned}$$



Exercise:

Based on the above markov chain, the sum of the probability of all possible sequences of length L is equal to 1.

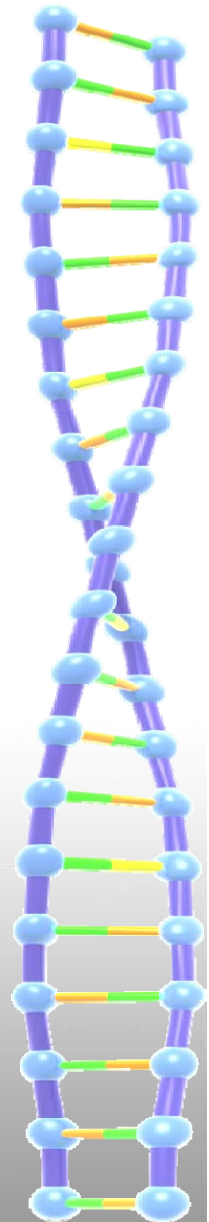
Bayes rule

$$P(X, Y) = P(X | Y)P(Y)$$

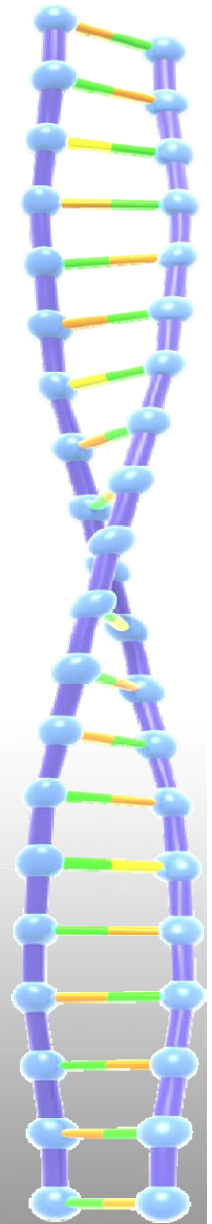
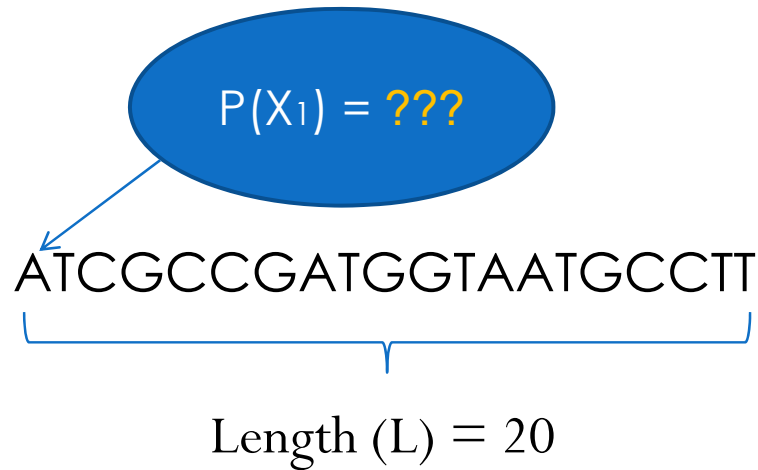
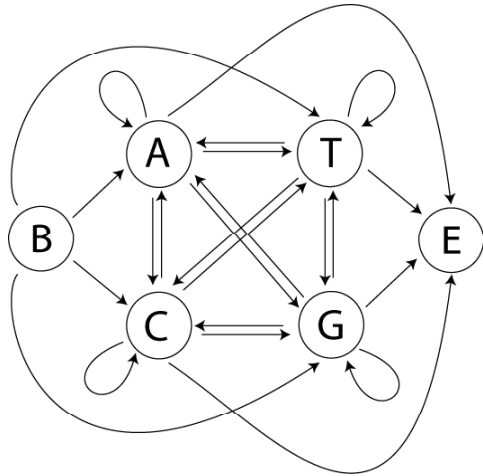
$P(X_1) = ???$

Markov property

$$P(X_i | X_{i-1}, \dots, X_1) = P(X_i | X_{i-1})$$



•Standard Markov Model (with begin and end state)



- **States:**

B, A, T, C, G, E

- **Transition probability:**

$P(X_1 = A) = P_{BA}$: The probability the sequence begin with A.

$P(E|X_L = T) = P_{TE}$: The probability the sequence end with T.

- **Sequence probability (with length L):**

$$P(X) = P(E|X_L)P(X_L|X_{L-1}) \dots P(X_2|X_1)P(X_1)$$



Exercise:

Assume that the model has an end state, and that the transition from any state to the end state has probability ϵ . Show that the sum of the probability over all sequences of length L (and properly terminating by making a transition to the end state) is $\epsilon(1 - \epsilon)^{L-1}$. Use this result to show that the sum of the probability over all possible sequences of any length is 1.

•Standard Markov Model (CG islands Discrimination)

Given a short stretch of genomic sequence,
how would we decide if it comes from a CG island or not?

From a set of human DNA sequences we extracted a total of 48 putative CG islands and derived two Markov chain models, one for the regions labelled as CG islands (the "+" model) and the other from the remainder of the sequence (the '-' model).

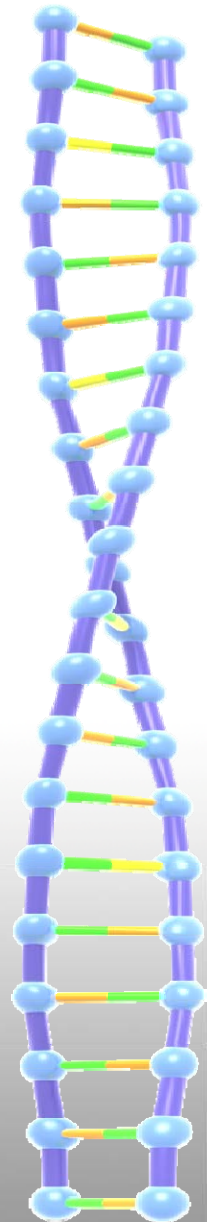
Model +				
+	A	C	G	T
A	0.180	0.274	0.426	0.120
C	0.171	0.368	0.274	0.188
G	0.161	0.339	0.375	0.125
T	0.079	0.355	0.384	0.182

$P(x | \text{Model } +)$

Model -				
-	A	C	G	T
A	0.300	0.205	0.285	0.210
C	0.322	0.298	0.078	0.302
G	0.248	0.246	0.298	0.208
T	0.177	0.239	0.292	0.292

$P(x | \text{Model } -)$

Log-odds score: $S(x) = \log(P(x | \text{Model } +)/P(x | \text{Model } -))$



•Hidden Markov Model (why HMM)

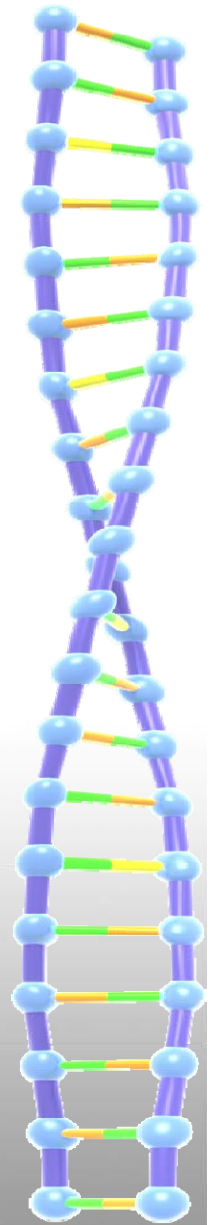
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- We can use Standard Markov Model to calculate the log-odds score for a window of, say, 100 nucleotides around every nucleotide in the sequence and plotting it.

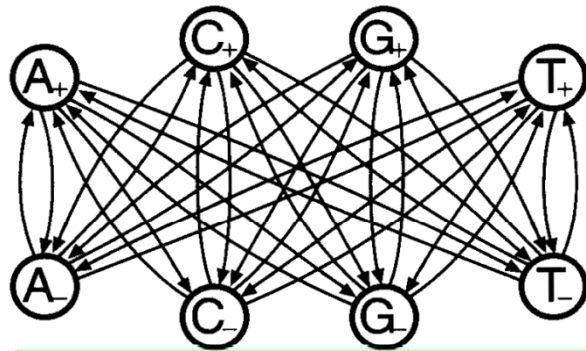
100 why?

We need a single Model to incorporate Model+ and Model-

HMM



•Hidden Markov Model (introduction)



State path (π)	T-	C+	G+	C+	C-	.....
Sequence path (x)	T	C	G	C	C	.....

The essential difference between a Markov chain and a hidden Markov Model is that for a hidden Markov model there is not a **one-to-one correspondence between the states and the symbols**. (For example state C+ and C- both emit symbol C). Therefore we need to distinguish the sequence of states from the sequence of symbols

- **States:**

A+,A-,T+,T-,C+,C-,G+,G-

- **Symbols**

A,T,C,G

- **Transition probability**

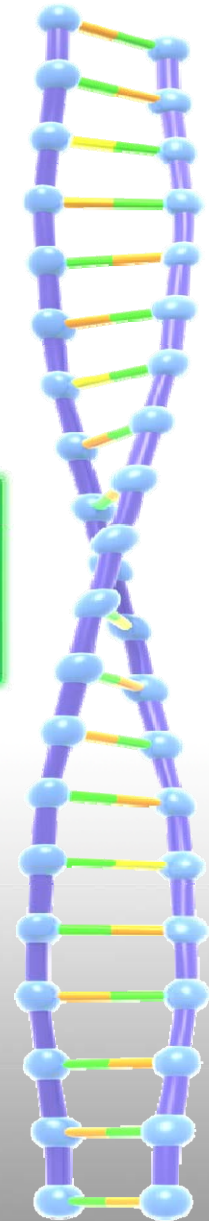
$$a_{kl} = P(\pi_i = l \mid \pi_i = k)$$

- **Emission probability**

$$e_k(b) = P(x_i = b \mid \pi_i = k)$$

- **Sequence probability (with state path π):**

$$P(x, \pi) = a_{k\pi_1} \prod_{i=1}^{L-1} e_{\pi_i}(x_i) a_{\pi_i \pi_{i+1}}$$



•Hidden Markov Model (The most probable path)

Many state paths can generate the target sequence!!!

π_1	T+	C+	G-	C+	C-	.....
π_2	T-	C+	G+	C+	C+	.....
π_3	T-	C-	G+	C-	C-	.....
x	T	C	G	C	C	.....

The most probable path : $\pi^* = \operatorname{argmax} P(x, \pi)$

Viterbi Algorithm

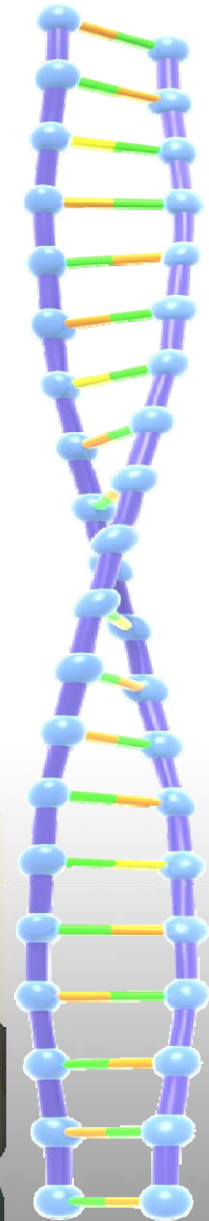
$$V_l(i+1) = e_l(x_{i+1}) \max_k (V_k(i) a_{kl})$$

- $V_k(i)$: The probability of most probable path up to x_i ending in state k.
- $V_l(i+1)$: The probability of most probable path up to x_{i+1} ending in state l.
- a_{kl} : Transition probability from state k to state l
- $e_l(x_{i+1})$: Emission probability (x_{i+1} emits from state l)

Initialization: $i=0, V_0(0) = 1, V_k(0) = 0$

Termination: $P(x, \pi^*) = \operatorname{Max}_k (V_k(L) a_{k0}), \pi^* = \operatorname{argmax}_\pi (V_k(L) a_{k0})$

Note: The start and end state both are 0



•Hidden Markov Model (the full sequence probability)

We must add the probabilities for all possible paths to obtain the full probability of x .

π_1	T-	C+	G+	C+	C-	....
π_2	T+	C-	G+	C-	C-	....
π_3	T-	C-	G-+	C+	C-	....
x	T	C	G	C	C	....

The full probability of X : $P(x) = \sum_{\pi} P(x, \pi)$

Forward Algorithm

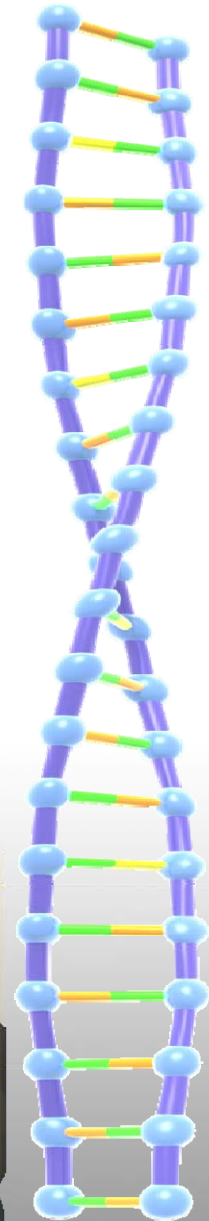
$$f_h(i+1) = e_h(x_{i+1}) \sum_k f_k(i) a_{kh}$$

- $f_k(i)$: The probability of the sequence up to x_i ending in state k . $P(x_1 \dots x_i, \pi_i=k)$
- $f_h(i+1)$: The probability of the sequence up to x_{i+1} ending in state h .
- a_{kh} : Transition probability from state k to state h
- $e_h(x_{i+1})$: Emission probability (x_{i+1} emits from state h)

Initialization: $i=0, f_0(0) = 1, f_k(0) = 0$

Termination: $P(x) = \sum_k f_h(i+1) a_{k0}$

Note: The start and end state both are 0



•Hidden Markov Model (the posterior state probabilities)

What if different paths have almost the same probability as the most probable one? We need posterior decoding

The posterior probability: $P(\pi_i = k | \mathbf{x})$

$$P(\pi_i = k | \mathbf{x}) = P(\mathbf{x}, \pi_i = k) / P(\mathbf{x}) \quad P(\mathbf{x}) : \text{by forward algorithm}$$



$$P(\mathbf{x}, \pi_i = k) = P(x_1 \dots x_i, \pi_i = k) P(x_{i+1} \dots x_L | x_1 \dots x_i, \pi_i = k) = f_k(i) P(x_{i+1} \dots x_L | \pi_i = k) = f_k(i) b_k(i)$$

$f_k(i)$: by forward algorithm $b_k(i)$: by backward algorithm

backward Algorithm

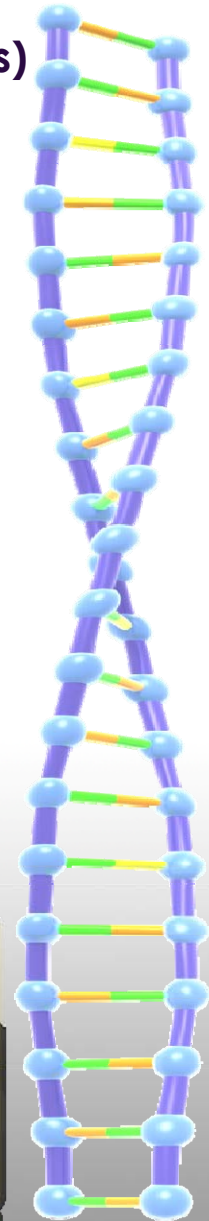
$$\text{Recursion: } b_k(i) = \sum_h a_{kh} e_h(x_{i+1}) b_h(i+1)$$

- $b_k(i)$: $P(x_{i+1} \dots x_L | \pi_i = k)$
- $b_h(i+1)$: $P(x_{i+2} \dots x_L | \pi_{i+1} = h)$
- a_{kh} : Transition probability from state k to state h
- $e_h(x_{i+1})$: Emission probability (x_{i+1} emits from state h)

Initialization: $b_k(L) = a_{k0}$

Termination: $P(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_h a_{0h} e_h(x_{i+1}) b_h(1)$

Note: The start and end state both are 0



•Hidden Markov Model (parameter estimation)

How we Specify the model in the first place?

Step1: Design the structure (states,connections)

Step2: Estimate the transition a_{kh} and emission $e_k(b)$ probabilities.

Estimation when the state sequence is known

- $a_{kh} = A_{kh} / \sum_{h'} A_{kh'}$
- $e_k(b) = E_k(b) / \sum_{b'} E_k(b')$

A_{kh} : number of transitions k to h in training data + r_{kh}

$E_k(b)$: number of emissions of b from k in training data + $r_k(b)$

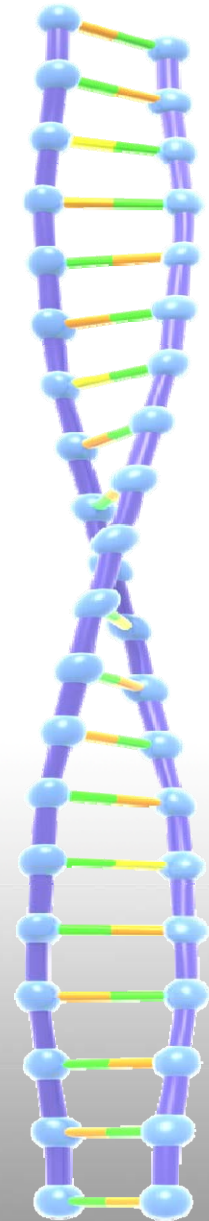
Note: r_{kh} and $r_k(b)$ are pseudocounts.

Counting!

Estimation when the state sequence is unknown

- Baum-Welch algorithm
- Viterbi training

Training!



•Hidden Markov Model (parameter estimation)

Baum-Welch algorithm (EM)

Objective: Maximize $\sum_j \log P(x^j | \theta)$ (j training sequences)

$$\theta: a_{kh} = A_{kh} / \sum_{h'} A_{kh}, \quad e_k(b) = E_k(b) / \sum_{b'} E_k(b')$$

A_{kh} and $E_k(b)$ are the *expected* number of times each transition or emission is used, given the training sequences.

$$A_{kh} = \sum_j \sum_i P(\pi_i = k, \pi_{i+1} = h | x^j, \theta)$$

$$E_k(b) = \sum_j \sum_i P(\pi_i = k, x_i = b | x^j, \theta)$$

$$P(\pi_i = k, \pi_{i+1} = h | x, \theta) = f_k(i) a_{kh} e_h(x_{i+1}) b_h(i+1) / P(x)$$

$$P(\pi_i = k, x_i = b | x, \theta) = f_k(i) b_k(i) / P(x) \text{ when } x_i = b, \text{ 0 otherwise.}$$

Recursion

For each sequence $j = 1 \dots n$:

Calculate $f_k(i)$ for sequence j using the forward algorithm

Calculate $b_k(i)$ for sequence j using the backward algorithm

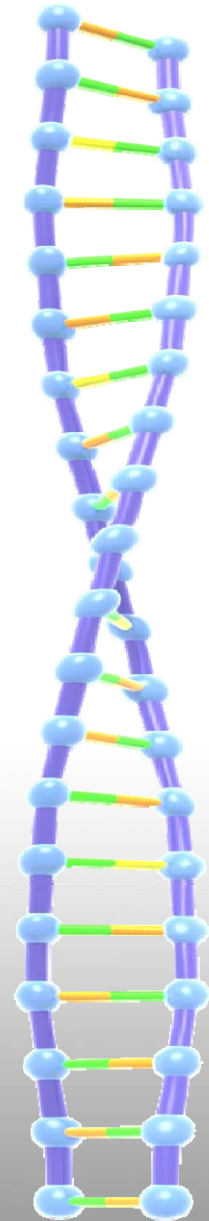
Add the contribution of sequence j to A_{kh} and $E_k(b)$.

Calculate the new model parameters a_{kh} and $e_k(b)$.

Calculate the new log likelihood of the model

Initialization: Pick arbitrary model parameters. $\theta [a_{kh}, e_k(b)]$

Termination: Stop if the change in log likelihood is less than some predefined threshold or the maximum number of iterations is exceeded.



•Hidden Markov Model (parameter estimation)

Viterbi Training algorithm

Objective: Maximize $\sum_j \log P(x^j | \theta, \pi^*(x_j))$ (j training sequences)

This is not a true maximum likelihood objective function, but this algorithm can converge precisely, because the assignment of paths is a discrete process, and we can continue until none of the paths change.

$$\theta : a_{kh} = A_{kh} / \sum_{h'} A_{kh}, \quad e_k(b) = E_k(b) / \sum_{b'} E_k(b')$$

A_{kh} and $E_k(b)$ are the number of times each transition or emission is used, given the training sequence and its most probable path.

Recursion

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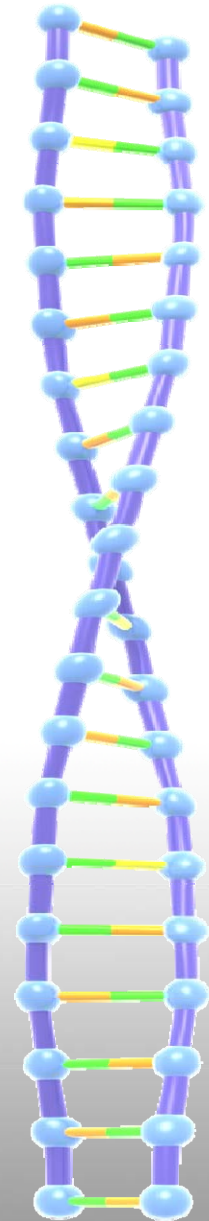
Find the most probable path $\pi^*(x_j)$ and its probability.

Given the path calculate the new parameter by counting.

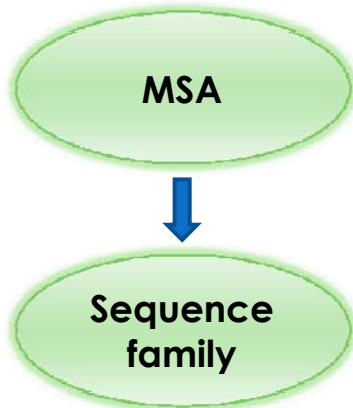
Calculate the new log likelihood of the model

Initialization: Pick arbitrary model parameters. $\theta [a_{kh}, e_k(b)]$

Termination: Stop when no paths change.



•PSSM and Profile HMM



Target Sequence ⇒ ... MSAVSCSTASSGGRFRSKKKTSIHSP...

Are these conserved features present in the target sequence?
We need a statistic model!

PSSM

Poistion sepecific score matrix

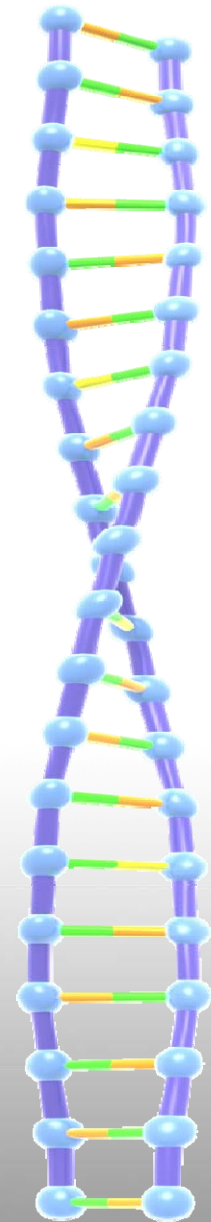
$$P(x | M) = \prod_{i=1 \text{ to } L} e_i(x_i)$$

$e_i(x_i)$: the probability of observing residue x_i in position i .

$$S \text{ (score)} = \sum_{i=1 \text{ to } L} \log(e_i(x_i)/q(x_i))$$

$q(x_i)$: the probability of x_i under a random model

Inadequate representation of the MSA (no gaps!)



•PSSM and Profile HMM

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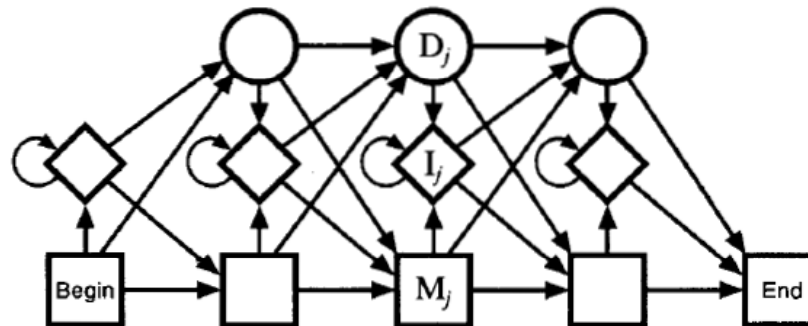
Profile HMM

Deal with insertion and deletion

PSSM:



HMM:

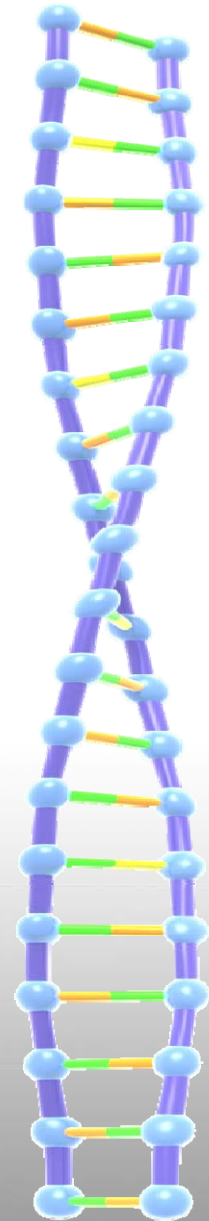


- M_j : Match state (emit residue with probability $e_{M_j}(b)$, b is one of 20 possible AAs)
- I_j : Insertion state (allow multiple insertions, emit residues randomly)
- D_j : Deletion state (dummy state, emit no residue to skip current position)

From multi-sequence alignment, we could determine the number of match states (design HMM) and the model parameters (train HMM).

Score : $\text{Log } P(x | M) / P(x | R)$ M : HMM model R : Random model

The score is calculated in bits, a high score means the target sequence is more likely belong to sequence family from which M is trained.



•HMMer 3 and HMM databases

HMMer3

- **Website:** <http://hmmer.janelia.org/>
- **User Guide:** <ftp://selab.janelia.org/pub/software/hmmer3/3.0/Userguide.pdf>

Main Functions

- **Hmmbuild:** Build a profile HMM from an input multiple alignment.
- **Hmmsearch:** Search a profile HMM against a sequence database.
- **Hmmscan:** Search a sequence against a profile HMM database.

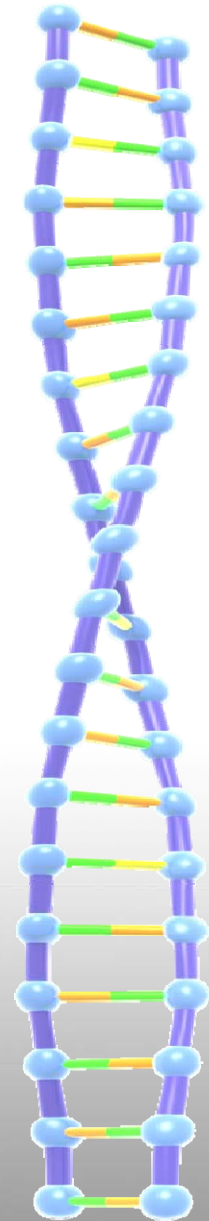
Other utilities

- **Hmmconvert:** Convert profile formats to/from HMMER3 format.
- **Hmmemit:** Generate (sample) sequences from a profile HMM.
- **Hmmfetch:** Get a profile HMM by name or accession from an HMM database.
- **Hmmpress:** Format an HMM database into a binary format for hmmscan.
- **Hmmstat:** Show summary statistics for each profile in an HMM database.

HMM databases

- **PFAM** (The wellcome trust sanger institue)
V25.0 (March 2011, 12273 families) <http://pfam.sanger.ac.uk/>
- **TIGRFAM** (J. Craig Venter Institute)
V11.0 (August 2011) <http://www.jcvi.org/cgi-bin/tigrfams/index.cgi>

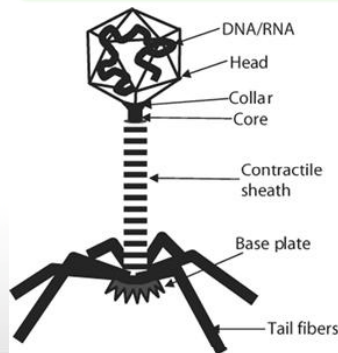
Note: PFAM and TiGRFAM both support HMMer3.



•Project (Phage/Prophage genome annotation)

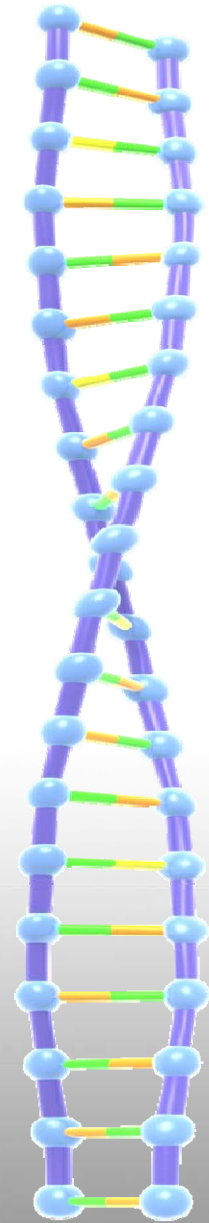
- **Website:** <http://genedog.med.utoronto.ca:7777/joewu/war/Ppd1.html>

- **Browser End:** Google web tool kit (Asynchronous javascript and XML-Ajax)
- **Server End:** Perl (CGI)
- **Database:** MySQL
- **Data Pipeline:** JSON (Javascript Object Notation)



Bacteriophages (phages), the viruses infecting bacteria, are the most abundant biological entities on earth. Most bacterial genomes contain multiple integrated phage genomes, called **prophages**, many of which are capable of producing viable phage particles. These prophages often contain genes involved in bacterial pathogenesis, and they can also mediate significant changes in bacterial physiology.

This project involves the construction of a web platform that will use to accurately annotate proteins required for phage morphogenesis. The project involves using a set of sequence profiles (**Profile HMM**) derived from alignments of sequences that are clearly homologous as determined from sequence similarity and genome position. The web platform will be designed to efficiently assess the usefulness of these HMMs in accurately identifying proteins of known function. The database will incorporate genomic position data to validate the accuracy of annotations provided by the HMMs.



•Typical Hmmer3 output

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> hmmsearch <xxxxx.hmm> <sequence database> xxxx.out
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#	target name	accession	tlen	query name	accession	qlen	--- full sequence ---			----- this domain -----				hmm coord		ali coord		env coord		acc		
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NP_958245&NC_005345	-		77	Phage_Nu1	PF07471.6	164	0.00023	22.0	0.0	1	1	2.8e-07	0.00027	21.8	0.0	6	53	25	70	21	76	0.88
ADA83797&GU247132	-		60	Phage_Nu1	PF07471.6	164	0.0032	18.3	0.0	1	1	3.4e-06	0.0033	18.3	0.0	6	31	10	35	6	59	0.75
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YP_002224008&NC_011267	-		60	Phage_Nu1	PF07471.6	164	0.0032	18.3	0.0	1	1	3.4e-06	0.0033	18.3	0.0	6	31	10	35	6	59	0.75
YP_001468424&NC_009810	-		61	Phage_Nu1	PF07471.6	164	0.0044	17.9	0.1	1	1	5.3e-06	0.005	17.7	0.1	7	52	13	57	7	60	0.88
YP_223884&NC_006936	-		148	Phage_Nu1	PF07471.6	164	0.0058	17.5	1.6	1	2	0.69	6.6e+02	1.0	0.0	119	155	35	72	18	82	0.67
YP_223884&NC_006936	-		148	Phage_Nu1	PF07471.6	164	0.0058	17.5	1.6	2	2	3e-05	0.029	15.2	1.1	62	106	84	128	32	140	0.85



- **E-value:**

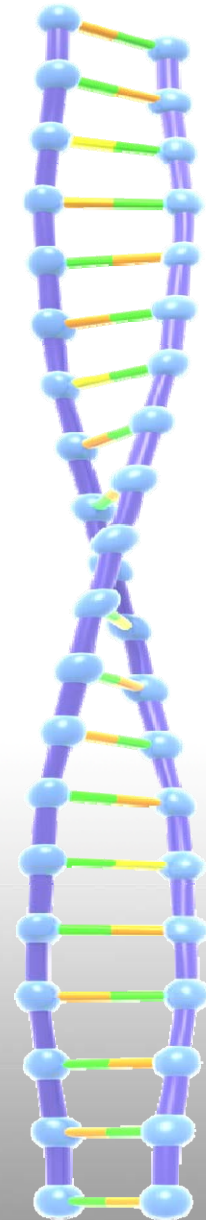
The statistical significance of the match to this sequence: the number of hits we'd expect to score this highly in a database of this size if the database contained only random sequences. The lower the E-value, the more significant the hit. **[Extreme value (Gumbel) distribution]**

- **Score:**

The log-odds score for the complete sequence.

- **Bias:**

A correction term for biased sequence composition that's been applied to the sequence bit score.



The End