

TEXT S1 Painting Algorithm

Li and Stephens (2003) described a likelihood based model that captures key features of the genealogical process with recombination while remaining computationally tractable for large datasets. Under the model, a chromosome is generated chunk-by-chunk by ‘copying’ from a conditional set of fixed haplotypes. In our notation, every individual consists of two haploids, each consisting of a single phased haplotype per chromosome. The L total SNPs in each haploid are listed one chromosome at a time, in order within each chromosome.

Suppose that we wish to generate a particular haploid $h_* = \{h_{*1}, \dots, h_{*L}\}$, with h_{*l} the observed allele of h_* at site l , using j pre-existing donor haploids h_1, \dots, h_j . Let $\vec{\rho} = \{\rho_1, \dots, \rho_{L-1}\}$ be a vector of genetic distances, with ρ_l the population-scaled genetic distance between sites l and $l+1$ (i.e. $\rho_l = N_e g_l$, where N_e is analogous to the “effective population size” and g_l is the genetic distance in Morgans between sites l and $l+1$). (Between chromosomes, the genetic distance between the last site of the previous chromosome and the first site of the next chromosome is ∞ .) Let $\vec{f} = \{f_1, \dots, f_j\}$ be a vector of copying probabilities, with f_k the probability of copying from haploid h_k at any site. Let θ correspond to a per site mutation (or “imperfect copying”) parameter. The conditional probability $\Pr(h_* \mid h_1, \dots, h_j; \vec{\rho}, \vec{f}, \theta)$ is structured as a Hidden Markov model. Let $\vec{Y} = \{Y_1, \dots, Y_L\}$ represent the hidden state sequence vector, with Y_l the existing haploid from the set h_1, \dots, h_j that haploid h_* copies from at site l . Switches in the haploid being copied between Y_l and Y_{l+1} occur as a Poisson process with rate ρ_l . The transition probabilities for Y between sites l and $l+1$ are as follows (we exclude h_1, \dots, h_j and the parameters from the left side of equations (1) and (2) below for ease of reading):

$$\Pr(Y_{l+1} = y_{l+1} \mid Y_l = y_l) = \begin{cases} \exp(-\rho_l) + (1 - \exp(-\rho_l))f_{y_{l+1}} & \text{if } y_{l+1} = y_l; \\ (1 - \exp(-\rho_l))f_{y_{l+1}} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

The observed state sequence component of the Hidden Markov Chain, the probability of observing a particular allele given the haploid that h_* is copying from at a given SNP, allows for “imperfect” copying:

$$\Pr(h_{*l} = a \mid Y_l = y) = \begin{cases} 1.0 - \theta & h_{yl} = a; \\ \theta & h_{yl} \neq a. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Here h_{kl} refers to the allelic type of haploid k at SNP l . To calculate $\Pr(D) \equiv \Pr(h_* \mid h_1, \dots, h_j; \vec{\rho}, \vec{f}, \theta)$, a summation is performed over all permutations of the copying process, i.e. a summation over all possible y , which can be accomplished efficiently using the forward algorithm (e.g. Rabiner 1989).

For all analyses presented here, we fix the mutation parameter θ to Watterson's estimate (Watterson 1975), as used by Li and Stephens (2003), i.e.

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^j 1/i\right)^{-1}}{j + \left(\sum_{i=1}^j 1/i\right)^{-1}}$$

for j total haploids. We fix each g_l by taking the build 36 genetic distance estimates from the HapMap website (<http://www.hapmap.org>), which were calculated using Phase II genotypes and averaging values across the three HapMap populations as described by the International HapMap Consortium (2007). We also fix each f_k to be $1/j$ for $k = 1, \dots, j$, allowing for equal *a priori* probability of copying from each conditional haploid.

Calculating expected number of chunks copied:

The average number of chunks copied to a haploid $*$ is a random variable denoted $\hat{x}_i = \mathbb{E}_{l=1 \dots L}(X_{il})$, where X_{il} is the probability that a given locus l is a new haplotypic segment copied from individual i . To calculate $\hat{x}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_j$, the posterior expected number of chunks for which haploid h_* copies from each of h_1, \dots, h_j , respectively, we calculate $\hat{f}_{k,l}$, the probability haploid h_* is copying from haploid h_k at site l given at least one ‘switch’ has occurred between $l-1$ and l . Again excluding parameters for ease of reading, let $\alpha_{kl} = \Pr(h_{*1}, \dots, h_{*l}, Y_l = h_k)$ and $\beta_{kl} = \Pr(h_{*(l+1)}, \dots, h_{*L} \mid Y_l = h_k)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}_k &= \frac{\alpha_{k1}\beta_{k1}}{\Pr(D)} + \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \left(\frac{1}{\Pr(D)}\right) \left[\alpha_{k(l+1)}\beta_{k(l+1)} - \alpha_{kl}\beta_{k(l+1)} \Pr(h_{*(l+1)} \mid Y_{l+1} = h_k) \exp(-\rho_l) \right] \\ &= \frac{\alpha_{k1}\beta_{k1}}{\Pr(D)} + \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \hat{f}_{k,l}. \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Note that we later drop the ‘hat’ notation for convenience, and form the matrix of all haplotype recipients $*$ as x_{ij} . Each row of x_{ij} corresponds to the vector \hat{x} calculated above.

We calculate α_{kl} for $k = 1, \dots, j$ in the following manner (Rabiner 1989):

1. $\alpha_{k1} = \Pr(h_{*1} \mid Y_1 = h_k) f_k$
2. $\alpha_{kl} = \Pr(h_{*l} \mid Y_l = h_k) \left(\left[\sum_{i=1}^j \alpha_{i(l-1)} \right] f_k (1 - \exp(-\rho_l)) + \exp(-\rho_l) \alpha_{k(l-1)} \right)$
for $l = 2, \dots, L$.

We calculate β_{kl} for $k = 1, \dots, j$ in the following manner (Rabiner 1989):

1. $\beta_{kL} = 1.0$
2. $\beta_{kl} = \left[\sum_{i=1}^j \beta_{i(l+1)} f_i \Pr(h_{*(l+1)} \mid Y_{l+1} = h_i) \right] (1 - \exp(-\rho_l)) + \exp(-\rho_l) \Pr(h_{*(l+1)} \mid Y_{l+1} = h_k) \beta_{k(l+1)}$ for $l = 1, \dots, (L-1)$.

Calculating expected lengths of copied chunks:

To calculate $\hat{l}_1, \dots, \hat{l}_j$, the posterior expected length (in Morgans) of the total genome for which haploid h_* copies from each of h_1, \dots, h_j , respectively, we calculate the following (let $\text{Pr}_h \equiv \text{Pr}(h_{*(l+1)} \mid Y_{l+1} = h_k)$):

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{l}_k = & \frac{1}{\text{Pr}(D)} \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} g_l \left[\alpha_{kl} \beta_{k(l+1)} \left(\exp(-\rho_l) + (1.0 - \exp(-\rho_l)) f_k \right) \text{Pr}_h \right. \\ & \left. + (1/2) \left[\alpha_{kl} \beta_{kl} + \alpha_{k(l+1)} \beta_{k(l+1)} - 2\alpha_{kl} \beta_{k(l+1)} \left(\exp(-\rho_l) + (1.0 - \exp(-\rho_l)) f_k \right) \text{Pr}_h \right] \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Note that this involves the approximation that at most only one change point occurs between neighbouring sampled sites. To get the expected length of *each* chunk copied from donor h_k , we divide equation (4) by equation (3) (i.e. \hat{l}_k / \hat{x}_k).

Calculating expected number of mutations:

To calculate $\hat{m}_1, \dots, \hat{m}_j$, the posterior expected number of SNPs for which haploid h_* copies with mutation (i.e. emission) from each of h_1, \dots, h_j , respectively, we calculate the following (let $\mathbb{I}_{[h_{*l} \neq h_{kl}]}$ be an indicator that the allelic type carried by h_* does not match the allelic type carried by h_k at SNP l):

$$\hat{m}_k = \frac{1}{\text{Pr}(D)} \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \alpha_{kl} \beta_{kl} \mathbb{I}_{[h_{*l} \neq h_{kl}]}. \quad (5)$$

Using the E-M algorithm to estimate the scaling parameter N_e :

One can take a fixed N_e for calculating $\vec{\rho}$, or use the Expectation-Maximisation (E-M) algorithm to find a local maximum of N_e in the following manner. Start with an initial value of N_e (we take $N_e = 400,000/j$), and at each iteration of the E-M replace N_e with:

$$N_e^* = \frac{\sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \left(\left[\sum_{k=1}^j \hat{f}_{k,l} \right] [\rho_l] / [1.0 - \exp(-\rho_l)] \right)}{\sum_{l=1}^{L-1} g_l}, \quad (6)$$

where ρ_l and each $\hat{f}_{k,l}$ are calculated using the previous value of N_e . In analyses presented here, we used 10 iterations of E-M to get our final estimate of N_e .

Using the E-M algorithm to estimate the mutation parameter θ

One can take a fixed θ for calculating (2), or use the E-M to find a local maximum of θ in the following manner. Start with an initial value of θ (we start with Watterson's estimate of θ), and at each iteration of the E-M replace θ with:

$$\theta^* = \frac{\sum_{l=1}^L (\sum_{i=1}^j \alpha_{il} \beta_{il} I_{[h_{*l} \neq h_{il}]}) / \Pr(D)}{L}. \quad (7)$$

Here $I_{[h_{*l} \neq h_{il}]}$ is an indicator that the allele h_{*l} carried by the recipient is not equal to allele h_{il} carried by donor haploid i at SNP l , and each α_{il} , β_{il} and $\Pr(D)$ are calculated using the previous value of θ .

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