Lie Markov models

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The theory of (matrix) Lie groups G and Lie algebras \mathcal{L}

• Consider the *orthogonal group* with $MM^T = 1$

i.
$$(M_1M_2)(M_1M_2)^T = M_1(M_2M_2^T)M_1^T = \mathbf{1}$$

ii. $\mathbf{1} = M^{-1}(MM^T)(M^{-1})^T = M^{-1}\mathbf{1}(M^{-1})^T = M^{-1}(M^{-1})^T$

• Consider path M(t) and M(0) = 1.

Tangents
$$X := \left. \frac{dM(t)}{dt} \right|_0$$
 satisfy $X + X^T = 0$

► Forms a *Lie algebra L*:

i.
$$X + \lambda Y \in \mathcal{L}$$

ii. $[X, Y] := XY - YX \in \mathcal{L}$

Exponential map: exp : L → G
 i.e. exp(X)exp(X)^T = exp(X)exp(-X) = 1√



DNA substitutions modelled as cont-time Markov chain

- ▶ Model sequence evolution as a CTMC on nucleotides {A, G, C, T}
- Two extremes: "All rates are the same" OR "All rates (might be!) different".

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & \alpha & \alpha & \alpha \\ \alpha & * & \alpha & \alpha \\ \alpha & \alpha & * & \alpha \\ \alpha & \alpha & \alpha & * \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathsf{OR?} \quad \begin{pmatrix} * & \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ \delta & * & \epsilon & \phi \\ \psi & \zeta & * & \varphi \\ \xi & \omega & \sigma & * \end{pmatrix}$$

- What model is best depends on bias-variance tradeoff.
- Lots of molecular data means model complexity has somewhat been driven by computing power.

The GTR model (Tavare 1986)

• Stationary dist:
$$\pi = (\pi_A, \pi_G, \pi_C, \pi_T)^T$$

• Time reversible: rate $A \rightarrow T$ equals rate $T \rightarrow A$

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \pi_A s_1 & \pi_A s_2 & \pi_A s_3 \\ \pi_G s_1 & * & \pi_G s_4 & \pi_G s_5 \\ \pi_C s_2 & \pi_C s_4 & * & \pi_C s_6 \\ \pi_T s_3 & \pi_T s_5 & \pi_T s_6 & * \end{pmatrix}$$

- (j)Modeltest hierarchy Posada and Crandell, 1998
- Huelsenback et. al. 2004 considered submodels via constraints on the "relative rates" s_i
 - I emailed this paper to Peter Jarvis in 2009...

What about the homogeneity assumption?

- Phylogenetic models are full of contradictory assumptions (of course!)
- Typically, substitution rates Q are assumed fixed throughout evolutionary history.
- Some modern implementations allow for differing rates on each branch.
- Leads to a problem...



What's the problem with global homogeneity?



▶ BCH formula with *commutators* $[Q_3, Q_4] := Q_3Q_4 - Q_4Q_3$

GTR (obviously) doesn't form a Lie algebra

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Non-linear: $q_{AG}q_{GC}q_{CA} = (\pi_A s_1)(\pi_C s_2)(\pi_G s_4) = q_{AC}q_{CG}q_{GA}$

Therefore, GTR is not multiplicatively closed.



Is the GTR model bad for molecular phylogenetics? S et. al. Syst. Biol. 2012



Maximum absolute error in GTR substitution probabilities



"Almost" Lie-Markov: GTR with uniform base frequencies

- What about if $\pi_i = \frac{1}{4}$ in the GTR model?
- In this case we do have a linear model:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & s_1 & s_2 & s_3 \\ s_1 & * & s_4 & s_5 \\ s_2 & s_4 & * & s_6 \\ s_3 & s_5 & s_6 & * \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{i.e. } Q^T = Q.$$

- Since this is a linear model, via $Q^T = Q$, the first term in the BCH formula works: $(Q_1 + Q_2)^T = Q_1^T + Q_2^T$
- Commutators don't work though: [A, B]^T = (AB)^T − (BA)^T = BA − AB = −[A, B]
- In practice errors are not so bad up to order $\mathcal{O}(t^2)$.
- ▶ Will come back to the "dual" case *s_i* = *const*. later...



Bring me a list of all Lie-Markov models...

Some (specific and general) models are already closed.

- e.g. Kimura models, Jukes-Cantor, Felsenstein 81
- e.g. "Group-based" and equivariant
- What is the Lie-algebraic *closure* of a model?
 - e.g. $\overline{GTR} = GM$ and $\overline{HKY} = RY8.8$
- **③** Use regular representation of a finite semigroup.
 - e.g. "Group-based" and F81 (see later)
- 0 Constrain problem using symmetries and apply sledgehammer. $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$



Purine/pyrimidine symmetries

- Nucleotides can be divided into purines {A, G} and pyrimidines {C, T}
- > Purines: 2 carbon-nitrogen ring, Pyrimidines: 1 carbon-nitrogen ring





Models with purine/pyrimidine symmetry

Kimura 2-parameter stationary (K2ST) 1980:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \alpha & \beta & \beta \\ \alpha & * & \beta & \beta \\ \beta & \beta & * & \alpha \\ \beta & \beta & \alpha & * \end{pmatrix}$$

► Hasegawa, Kishino and Yano (HKY) 1985:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \pi_A \alpha & \pi_A \beta & \pi_A \beta \\ \pi_G \alpha & * & \pi_G \beta & \pi_G \beta \\ \pi_C \beta & \pi_C \beta & * & \pi_C \alpha \\ \pi_T \beta & \pi_T \beta & \pi_T \alpha & * \end{pmatrix}$$



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Example with $\sigma = (AC)(GT)$:

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The labels change but this is still a HKY rate matrix!

UNIVERSITY of TASMANIA Enter more algebra: group representation theory

- All popular models (Lie-Markov or not) have some permutation symmetries.
- e.g. GM, GTR, JC, K3ST, F81 have complete symmetry.
 K3ST:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & * & \gamma & \beta \\ \beta & \gamma & * & \alpha \\ \gamma & \beta & \alpha & * \end{pmatrix}$$

- e.g. K2ST, HKY have purine/pyrimidine symmetry.
- Algebraic theory says (for a linear model!) we can decompose into a sum of irreducible representations of the relevant permutation group.
- ▶ e.g. F81 \cong *id* \oplus (31) and K3ST \cong *id* \oplus (2²)
- In other words 4=1+3 and 3=1+2.



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F81:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \pi_1 & \pi_1 & \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 & * & \pi_2 & \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 & \pi_3 & * & \pi_3 \\ \pi_4 & \pi_4 & \pi_4 & * \end{pmatrix} = \pi_1 R_1 + \pi_2 R_2 + \pi_3 R_3 + \pi_4 R_4$$

• The matrices $\{R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4\}$ form a basis for this model, e.g.:

$${{\it R}_1} = egin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Under permutations $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_4$ clearly $R_i \mapsto R_{\sigma(i)}$
 - i.e. F81 forms a representation of \mathfrak{S}_4 .
- *id* is the trivial part: $R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4$ (i.e. JC model!)
- (31) is what's left over: $\{R_1 R_2, R_1 R_3, R_1 R_4\}$ $\Re_{TASMANIA}^{UNIVERSITY_0}$

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- ▶ F81 is a Lie-Markov model: $[R_i, R_j] = R_i R_j$
- ▶ We can form the analogous model with constant columns:

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But this is not a Lie-Markov model!

$$[C_1, C_2] = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - C_2 C_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X$$

UNIVERSITY of TASMANIA Her All-embracing Majesty, the general Markov model (!Weyl ~1939)

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$$\mathsf{GM}\cong id\oplus 2(31)\oplus (2^2)\oplus (21^3)$$

- In other words: $12 = 1 + 2 \times 3 + 2 + 3$.
- Our big idea: Models with symmetries must come as direct sum of irreducible bits

Reduces computational complexity of "use a sledgehammer" approach just enough to solve the problem.

- i.e. $id \oplus (31) = \{R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4\}$ and $\{C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4\}$
- Result (S et. al. JTB 2012): The Lie subalgebras of GM with full symmetry are JC, K3ST, F81, F+K, and GM.
- Result (Fernandez-Sanchez et. al. JMB 2015): There are (roughly) 35 Lie-Markov models with purine/pyrimidine symmetry.



The Lie-Markov models with purine/pyrimidine symmetry



"More than" Lie-Markov

- A matrix algebra A (as opposed to a Lie algebra), is a linear set of matrices closed under products: AB ∈ A
- All matrix algebras form Lie algebras automatically:
 [A, B] := AB − BA ∈ A
- The reverse is not true (see next slide for counter example).
- In our 2015 characterization of models with purine/pyrimidine symmetry each model we found actually forms a matrix algebra.
- This is probably because the symmetry conditions are so strong.
- ► So do the "equivariant" models (Draisma and Kuttler 2009).



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None other than the F81 model!

$$=\pi_1 R_1 + \pi_2 R_2 + \pi_3 R_3 + \pi_4 R_4 = \begin{vmatrix} * & \pi_1 & \pi_1 & \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 & * & \pi_2 & \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 & \pi_3 & * & \pi_3 \\ \pi_4 & \pi_4 & \pi_4 & * \end{vmatrix}$$

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"Exactly" Lie-Markov

- We know a few Lie-Markov models which do not form matrix algebras.
 - i. "Symmetric embedded" Jarvis and S 2012.
 - ii. AustMS 2015 model:

$$L_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad L_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Both models satisfy $[L_1, L_2] = L_1 L_2$, but have algebraic closures $\{L_1, L_2, X, Y, Z\}$ and $\{L_1, L_2, X\}$ respectively.
- ▶ e.g.

$$L_1^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -6 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -3L_1 + L_2 + X = -3L_1 + L_2 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Final thoughts

- Does anyone here have any other ideas on how to proceed?
- Does this issue matter in other contexts?
- Can the Lie-Markov condition be used as a productive constraint in other contexts?
- What about time-inhomogeneous Markov chains? What is the Lie-Markov condition saying in this case?



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