

- The code for the merge sort algorithm is attached in the file 'mergeSort.py'

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chr17_45_242_0:0:0_1:0:0_50f5f 147 chr17 193 60 50M = 35
-198 TCCAGCTTAACCTGCATCCCCTAGAAGGGAAGGCACCGCCCCAAAGACACGC
222 XT:A:U NM:i:1
SM:i:37 AM:i:37 X0:i:1 X1:i:0 XM:i:1 XO:i:0 XG:i:0 MD:Z:26T23
chr17_204_401_0:0:0_0:0:0_43ea1 99 chr17 204 60 50M = 352
198 CTGCATCCCCTAGAAGTGAAGGCACCGCCCCAAAGACACGCCCATGTCCAGC
222 XT:A:U NM:i:0
SM:i:23 AM:i:23 X0:i:1 X1:i:1 XM:i:0 XO:i:0 XG:i:0 MD:Z:50
chr17_224_415_1:0:0_1:0:0_a2d53 163 chr17 224 60 50M = 366
192 GCACCGCCCCAAAGACACGCCCATGTCCAGCTTATTCTCCCCAGTTTCCTCT
222 XT:A:U NM:i:1
SM:i:37 AM:i:37 X0:i:1 X1:i:0 XM:i:1 XO:i:0 XG:i:0 MD:Z:37G12
chr17_123_290_3:0:0_1:0:0_27b3b 83 chr17 241 60 50M = 123
-168 GCCCATGTCCAGCTTATTCTGCCAGTTCCTCTCCAGATAGGCTGCATGG
222 XT:A:U NM:i:1
SM:i:37 AM:i:25 X0:i:1 X1:i:0 XM:i:1 XO:i:0 XG:i:0 MD:Z:38A11
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- The expected and observed frequency of each possible 4-mer is given below.

| 4-mer | Observed | Expected   | 4-mer | Observed | Expected   |
|-------|----------|------------|-------|----------|------------|
| AGTC  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 | TGCC  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| GTCG  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 | GCCG  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| TCGT  | 0.04     | 0.00390625 | TGAG  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| CGTA  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 | GAGA  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| GTAC  | 0.04     | 0.00390625 | AGAT  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| TACG  | 0.06     | 0.00390625 | GATA  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| ACGT  | 0.1      | 0.00390625 | ATAC  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| CGTG  | 0.08     | 0.00390625 | GAAC  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| GTGA  | 0.08     | 0.00390625 | AACG  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| TGAC  | 0.04     | 0.00390625 | ACGG  | 0.04     | 0.00390625 |
| AGTA  | 0.04     | 0.00390625 | CGGA  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| GTAG  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 | GGAG  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| TAGA  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 | GAGT  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| AGAC  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 | CGGT  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| GACG  | 0.04     | 0.00390625 | GGTG  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |
| GTGC  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 | TGAT  | 0.02     | 0.00390625 |

+ 224 other possible 4-mers with an observed frequency of 0.0 and an expected frequency of 0.00390625 (which is  $(\frac{1}{4})^4$ ).

- b. The frequency of all possible 4-mers is  $(\frac{1}{4})^4 * 50$ . This is because there are 50 possible k-mers in the sequences (10 per sequence). Since we saw previously that each k-mer has a  $(\frac{1}{4})^4$  probability, the frequency is this \* 50.
- c. See the below table for the number of observed occurrences and the expected number of occurrences:

| 4-mer | Observed | Expected  | 4-mer | Observed | Expected  |
|-------|----------|-----------|-------|----------|-----------|
| AGTC  | 1        | 0.1953125 | TGCC  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| GTCG  | 1        | 0.1953125 | GCCG  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| TCGT  | 2        | 0.1953125 | TGAG  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| CGTA  | 1        | 0.1953125 | GAGA  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| GTAC  | 2        | 0.1953125 | AGAT  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| TACG  | 3        | 0.1953125 | GATA  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| ACGT  | 5        | 0.1953125 | ATAC  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| CGTG  | 4        | 0.1953125 | GAAC  | 1        | 0.1953125 |
| GTGA  | 4        | 0.1953125 | AACG  | 1        | 0.1953125 |

|      |   |           |      |   |           |
|------|---|-----------|------|---|-----------|
| TGAC | 2 | 0.1953125 | ACGG | 2 | 0.1953125 |
| AGTA | 2 | 0.1953125 | CGGA | 1 | 0.1953125 |
| GTAG | 1 | 0.1953125 | GGAG | 1 | 0.1953125 |
| TAGA | 1 | 0.1953125 | GAGT | 1 | 0.1953125 |
| AGAC | 1 | 0.1953125 | CGGT | 1 | 0.1953125 |
| GACG | 2 | 0.1953125 | GGTG | 1 | 0.1953125 |
| GTGC | 1 | 0.1953125 | TGAT | 1 | 0.1953125 |

This table does not include the 224 other possible k-mers whose observed number is 0 and whose expected number is 0.1953125 (which is  $(\frac{1}{4})^4 * 50$ ).

The 4-mers more common than expected are the ones whose observed number is greater than 2. These are TACG (observed 3), ACGT (observed 5), CGTG (observed 4), and GTGA (observed 4).

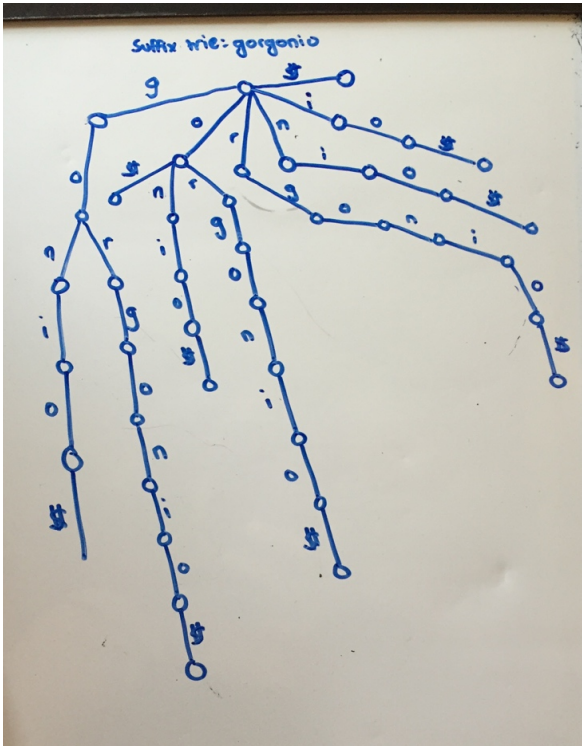
d. AGTCGT**TACGT**GAC  
AGTAGA**CGTG**CCCG  
**ACGT**GAGAT**TACGT**  
GAACGGAG**TACGT**  
**TCGT**GACGGTGAT

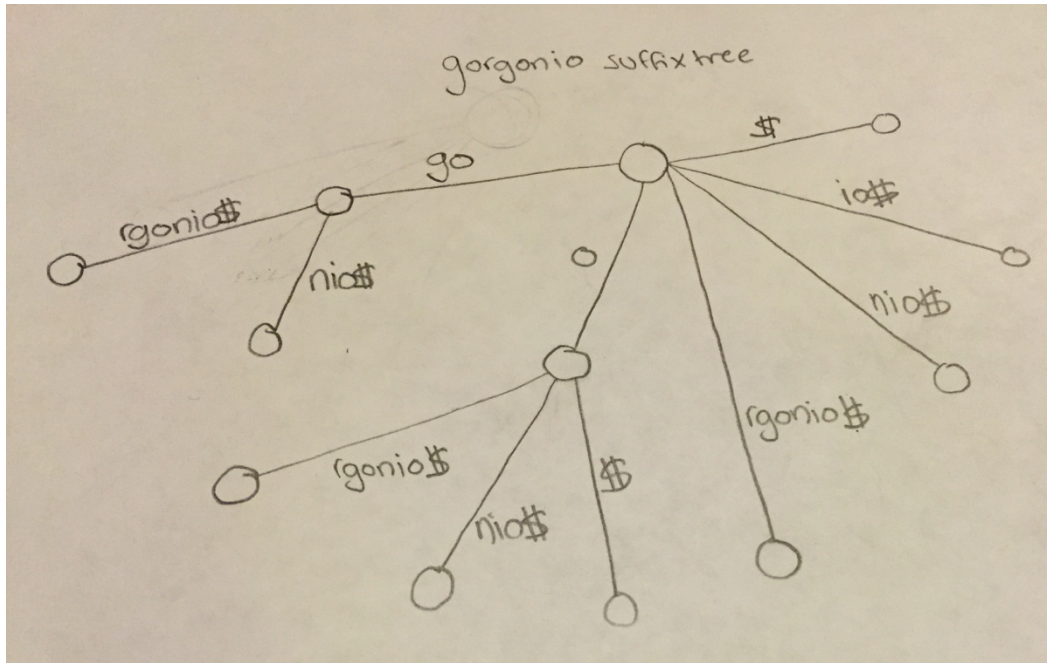
TACG: Highlighted  
ACGT: Underlined  
CGTG: Bolded  
GTGA: italicized

#### 5) Hamming Distance:

- a. The Hamming Distance code can be found in the attached file entitled 'hammingDist.py'
- b. TTGTAGG: 40  
GAGGACC: 43  
TATACGG: 44  
CCGCAGG: 28  
CAGCAGG: 11
- c. The pattern most likely to be the implanted motif is CAGCAGG. Since we implemented the minimum hamming distance algorithm, the most likely motif will have the smallest Hamming distance.

- d. The entropy of the discovered motif is 0.607381590645. The code detailing how this was computed is also in the hammingDist.py
- 6) The probability that we will select the correct motif is  $\frac{n \cdot k}{x}$ , where  $x$  is the number of base pairs,  $k$  is the length of the  $k$ -mer and  $n$  is the number of sequences. We would need an average of  $1 / \left( \frac{n \cdot k}{x} \right) = \frac{x}{n \cdot k}$ .
- 7) The code is in the attached file entitled 'randomizedFinal.py'.  
Running the algorithm once generates the following motif: CACTTGC. Every time the algorithm is run just once, a different motif (a random motif) is generated.  
The most common motif gotten from running the algorithm 10 times is CAGCAGG. Sometimes other motifs are returned, but this is the most common one.  
Running the algorithm 1000 times generates the following motif: CAGCAGG. Every time the algorithm is run 1000 times, the same motif is generated.
- 8) The code can be found in the attached file entitled 'gibbs.py'. Yes, the same motif (CAGCAGG) was generated. The code I decided on implements the Gibbs Sampling 150 times. After this many times, despite the excluded sequence, the same motif is decided on because it has the best score. This is why the same motif is arrived at.
- 9)





10) For parts a) and b) see attached file entitled 'suffixArray.py'

- a. One instance of 'atattaacaaagccaaaagtttcaaacttt' was found in the file. It was found at index 60964.
- b. 12 instances of 'aaaattat' was found in the file. It was found at the following indexes: [32966, 35291, 35797, 40130, 61342, 75613, 76368, 83602, 87732, 90817, 94126, 97925].

11) The entropy metric, because it measures level of uncertainty, tells us so much more about a motif. A simple difference score simply reports on how different the subsequence that we are considering is from the main sequence. Meanwhile, the entropy metric uses gathered data from previous comparisons to report on how certain it is that this subsequence is a motif. Consider the following example: (each numeric column represents the score for 1 subsequence).

|   |    |    |
|---|----|----|
| A | .2 | 0  |
| C | .6 | .6 |
| G | 0  | 0  |
| T | .2 | .4 |

By the simple difference score, both subsequences are equally likely to be the motif since they have the same score. However, by the entropy metric, the first column has a score of 1.371 while the second has a score of 0.971. This means that it is more likely (certain) for the second subsequence to be the motif than the first (since a higher entropy metric score indicates more uncertainty). Thus, the entropy metric is more reliable than the simple difference score. This example was from the Lecture Slides (Lecture 2, Slide 26).