# Sequece Characterization Test

Using Genomic-Benchmarks Data

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## 1 Downloading data

```
Python Code
# Note: Check 'outputwrap' functions in source 'qmd'
    notebook, for further insight on output display
# To list available datasets
from genomic_benchmarks.data_check import \
    list datasets
# To inspect each dataset to select two
from genomic_benchmarks.data_check import info as \
    info_gb
# To download each dataset
from genomic_benchmarks.loc2seg import \
    download_dataset
# To position ourselves in the correct directory
import os
list_datasets()
['demo_human_or_worm',
'human_nontata_promoters',
'human_enhancers_ensembl',
'human_enhancers_cohn',
'dummy_mouse_enhancers_ensembl',
'demo_coding_vs_intergenomic_segs',
'drosophila_enhancers_stark',
'human_ensembl_regulatory',
'human_ocr_ensembl']
info_gb("human_nontata_promoters", version=0)
Dataset `human_nontata_promoters` has 2 classes:
negative, positive.
 All lengths of genomic
intervals equals 251.
 Totally 36131 sequences
have been found, 27097 for training and 9034 for
testing.
          train test
negative 12355 4119
positive 14742 4915
info_gb("human_ensembl_regulatory", version=0)
Dataset `human_ensembl_regulatory` has 3 classes:
enhancer, ocr, promoter.
 The length of genomic
intervals ranges from 71 to 802, with average
429.91753643694585 and median 401.0.
 Totally
```

```
289061 sequences have been found, 231348 for
training and 57713 for testing.
         train test
enhancer 85512 21378
         69902 17476
ocr
promoter 75934 18859
info_gb("human_enhancers_cohn", version=0)
Dataset `human_enhancers_cohn` has 2 classes:
negative, positive.
All lengths of genomic
intervals equals 500.
Totally 27791 sequences
have been found, 20843 for training and 6948 for
testing.
          train test
negative 10422 3474
positive 10421 3474
info_gb("human_enhancers_ensembl", version=0)
Dataset `human_enhancers_ensembl` has 2 classes:
negative, positive.
The length of genomic
```

```
os.chdir("/path/to/Project/datasets/GenomicBenchmarks")
download_dataset("human_nontata_promoters", version=0)
download_dataset("human_enhancers_cohn", version=0)
```

### 2 Formatting data

The downloaded data came in the form of two directories with many .txt files inside, and seeing that at least 'getShape()' function from 'DNAshapeR' library required FASTA files to work and it felt right to collect all sequences in a single file, I transfered all sequences of each cis-regulatory element to their single respective FASTA file and gave them a simple header.

```
Bash Code

cd /path/to/Project/datasets/GenomicBenchmarks/

awk 'BEGIN{counter=0}
    {print ">promoter_"counter"|train|positive";
    print $0; counter+=1}' \
    human_nontata_promoters/train/positive/*.txt \
    > promoters_train_positive.fasta

awk 'BEGIN{counter=0}
    {print ">enhancer_"counter"|train|positive";
    print $0; counter+=1}' \
    human_enhancers_cohn/train/positive/*.txt \
    > enhancers_train_positive.fasta
```

### 3 Libraries used

Here is a list of the R libraries used for the following analysis, as well as a reference to my own functions to be used in the characterization step.

```
R Code
# For genome-functions.R
library(stringr)
library(stringi)
library(primes)
# For parallel computing
library(doParallel)
library(foreach)
# For biological functions:
  - Local/Global alignments
# - DNA Shape computing
library(Biostrings)
library(DNAshapeR)
# For plotting
library(paletteer)
library(cowplot)
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
library(plyr)
library(see)
# For pretty tables
library(knitr)
library(kableExtra)
# For my own functions
source("/path/to/Project/scripts/genome-functions.R")
```

### 4 Characterizing sequences

Here, we characterize a subset from each of our datasets: 1638 sequences per regulatory element; 3276 in total. However, there's a circumstance about the sequences that has to be noted:

- Both datasets have considerably different elements lengthwise:
  - 1. All promoters have a length of 251 nucleotides.
  - 2. All enhancers have a length of 500 nucleotides.
- All features per sequence must be numerical and twodimensional since we want it to be fed eventually to a simple classifier (like a Support Vector Machine).

Given some previous tests done to 'sequences\_characterizer()' I came to the conclusion that parallel computing might provide a higher and more complex set of data in a feasible time span.

```
# Prepairing clusters for parallel computing
corescluster <- makeCluster(6)</pre>
registerDoParallel(corescluster)
# Characterizing sequences and exporting to CSV
list_seqs <- list(promoters = prom_seqs,</pre>
                  enhancers = enha_seqs)
reg_elems <- c("promoters", "enhancers")</pre>
libs <- c("stringr", "stringi", "primes")</pre>
for (reg_elem in reg_elems) {
  foreach(i = 1:6) %dopar% {
    required_libs(libs)
    i_start <- ((i - 1) * 273) + 1
    i final <- i * 273
    if (i > 1) { # Only the first CSV has headers
      write.table(
        sequences_characterizer(
          list_seqs[[req_elem]][i_start:i_final],
          optim = TRUE, k_max = 6),
        paste(
          "datasets/GB-Testing/test", reg_elem,
          "-training_", i, ".csv", sep = ""),
          row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
          sep = ",")
```

```
} else {
    write.csv(
        sequences_characterizer(
        list_seqs[[reg_elem]][i_start:i_final],
        optim = TRUE, k_max = 6),
    paste(
        "datasets/GB-Testing/", reg_elem,
        "-training_", i, ".csv", sep = ""),
        row.names = FALSE)
}}
```

### 5 Concatenating CSV's

It was decided to produce many files instead of appending over the same CSV table in order to apply a sort of quality control checkup after the parallel computing was done. This, because when forcing the process RAM overload was possible and the function could die mid-process. Since our data was separated in six tables per cis-regulatory element, here we only join each set together in a single CSV.

## 6 Data description

Prior to our primary analysis, it feels reasonable to explain the columns per sequence produced by our tabulator 'sequences\_characterizer()'. From here we'll first describe the ones computed sequence-wise, the ones computed kmer-wise, then the ones computed over each kmer distribution, and finally the ones corresponding to DNA-Shape; this feature comes at last considering 'getShape()' function makes its' own dataframe. The ones in black are already integrated in the table, the ones in red are yet to be adjoined:

#### Per sequence

- From 'genome-functions.R':
  - A, T, C, G Nucleotide Percentages per sequence.
  - temp Melting <u>Temperature</u>: Temperature at which DNA's double <u>helix</u> dissociates into single strands. It's dependent on GC percentage and sequence length.
  - shan <u>Shan</u>non Entropy Coefficient: Statistical quantifier of information in a system. Measures the uncertainty a set of data has. In this case is a nucleotide-diversity metric. It's dependent on nucleotide percentages.
- · From 'Biostrings':
  - la\_sc Local Alignment Score
  - la\_id Local Alignment Identity
  - ga\_sc Global Alignment Score
  - ga\_id Global Alignment Identity

Table 1: Overview of each column generated so far by 'sequences-characterizer()'

Column	Description	Section Processed
A	Percentage of Alanines	
Т	Percentage of Thymines	per Sequence
С	Percentage of Cytosines	
G	Percentage of Guanines	
temp	Melting Temperature	
shan	Shannon Coefficient	
kN.M_prod	KSG Product	per Kmer:
kN.M_barc	Barcode Profile	each possible kmer of size $\it N$ is identified on a scale of 1 to $4^{\it N}$ denoted
kN.M_pals	Palindrome Profile	by M.  i.e. k3.1 (or the first
kN.M_revc	Reverse Complement Profile	kmer of size 3) would be AAA; k4.2 would be AAAC

#### Per kmer

Kmer characterization came with many challenges, principally to provide each kmer with a distinct signature value dependent on their sequence structure. This under the assumption that .

- From 'genome-functions.R':
  - kN.M\_prod KSG Product: Its obtained by multiplying Kmer-Percentage \* Shannon Entropy \* GC-Percentage (in concept). The justification for this comes from the desire to give each kmer a distictive signal based on their sequence. However many kmers can produce the same value depending on the function, for example, the kmers 'AAAT', 'ATAA', 'CCGC' and 'TGGG' all have the same Entropy Coefficient (0.811), while 'GGAT', 'CAAG', 'AACC' and 'TGCT' all have the same GC Percentage (0.5). Additionally, it is a little tricky to keep the product from becoming zero when the sequence is either devoid of C/G nucleotides (e.g. gc\_percentage('ATTA') =0), or lacks nucleotide diversity (e.g. shannon\_entropy('GGGG')=0).
    - Refer to 'Theory & Code Annex', Sections 2 & 3, for more details.
  - kN.M\_barc Barcode Profile: Its obtained by gen-

erating a vector with size equal to the kmer amount (which is equivalent to 'sequence length' - 'kmer length' + 1) and filling it with one prime number per cell in ascending order. Afterwars we use a logical (1's & 0's) vector of the same size to represent each kmer's positions in the sequence. *In concept*, if we multiply both vectors we will get a set of prime numbers representing the positions of each kmer inside the sequence. If we multiply as well the elements inside this set, we will obtain an exlusive value for each kmer in each sequence, and only the sequences with the same kmers in the same place will be divisible by the corresponding prime.

- kN.M\_pals Palindromes' Profile:
- kN.M\_revc Reverse Complement Profile:

#### Per kmer distribution

#### Per non-defined kmer

• From 'DNAshapeR':

Generates a set features as vectors (EP, MGW, HeIT, Roll & ProT by default) per provided FASTA file. Splits each sequence in sliding kmers of size 5 (pentamers) not defined by me, which therefore makes vector size dependent on sequence-length. The features intended to be used are:

```
- sh ep - Shape EP
```

sh\_mgw - Minor Groove Width

- sh\_helt - Helix Twist

- sh\_prot - Propeller Twist

- sh\_roll - Roll

## 7 Primary analysis

Firstly we read our CSV tables into our conviniently named dataframes.

We could have concatenated both tables together, however I prefer to keep them in different files.

First we get an overviwew of the dimensions of our data: NOTE: Replace this with some kind of table

```
deparse(substitute(proms))
deparse(substitute(enhas))
dim(proms)
dim(enhas)
```

[1] "proms" [1] "enhas" [1] 1638 21830 [1] 1638 21830

It's noticeable the fact that we have way more columns than rows in this test table. Let's get a general glimpse of the first three promoters' rows by displaying the first 3 lines and first 18 columns pertaining to all *sequence-wise* variables computed so far plus the first 12 *kmer-wise* variables, which align with the data related to the first 3 kmers ('AA', 'AC' & 'AG'):

### teatable(proms[1:3,1:18])

А	T	С	G	temp	shan
0.1673307	0.2231076	0.3306773	0.2788845	87.21315	1.956136
0.2629482	0.2788845	0.2549801	0.2031873	81.00598	1.990374
0.3625498	0.2031873	0.2470120	0.1872510	80.02590	1.948719

k2.1_prod	k2.1_barc	k2.1_pals	k2.1_revc	k2.2_prod	k2.2_barc
9	1.959765	2.177403e+09	1.374020e+12	17.11198	1.531862
17	2.633165	1.138401e+17	2.971115e+17	26.44579	2.624612
38	5.347025	3.981015e+36	8.100763e+29	24.89016	1.855662

k2.2_pals	k2.2_revc	k2.3_prod	k2.3_barc	k2.3_pals	k2.3_revc
3.845422e+15	3.525451e+11	26.44579	2.445328	4.788062e+13	1.305836e+26
2.607331e+20	6.308689e+14	24.89016	2.513656	1.320117e+14	6.435389e+19
1.156904e+25	3.573059e+12	34.22397	3.431445	6.011592e+17	7.178542e+17

We'll get a similar panorama when looking at the first three enhancers' rows (although it seems like 'barcode' values appear to be significantly larger):

#### teatable(enhas[1:3,1:18])

А	Т	С	G	temp	shan
0.240	0.236	0.234	0.290	85.0392	1.993988
0.204	0.286	0.210	0.300	84.4652	1.978249
0.250	0.280	0.258	0.212	82.8252	1.992923

k2.1_prod	k2.1_barc	k2.1_pals	k2.1_revc	k2.2_prod	k2.2_barc
36	10.432345	1.885437e+37	8.632413e+30	24.89016	6.027803
20	6.153015	5.673403e+20	1.061673e+53	23.33452	4.984254
31	9.936447	1.640775e+32	5.563175e+39	46.66905	9.301359

k2.2_	oals k2	.2_revc k2.3	_prod k2.3	_barc k2.3_	_pals k2.3_revc
1.57913	4e+29 1.70	7234e+31 76.2	2611 13.4	13518 3.5570	32e+41 5.830130e+44
4.48561	.9e+32 1.81	.0188e+35 73.1	1484 13.2	29662 3.2734	26e+39 3.755909e+39
9.95103	8e+37 3.61	.2544e+25 60.6	6976 12.5	53356 4.2556	600e+33 3.010280e+57

ldf <- length(proms)
coffeetable(cre\_summary[c(1:10,(ldf+1):(ldf+10)),])</pre>

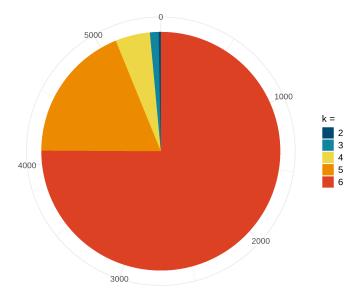
	Туре	Field	Means	StDevs
1		Α	1.911256e-01	7.145510e-02
2		Т	1.995826e-01	7.599340e-02
3		С	2.962655e-01	8.067840e-02
4		G	3.130263e-01	8.524230e-02
5	Promoter	temp	8.720208e+01	5.379461e+00
6	Tromoter	shan	1.891724e+00	9.437000e-02
7		k2.1_prod	1.196276e+01	8.995306e+00
8		k2.1_barc	1.500971e+00	1.229003e+00
9		k2.1_pals	2.634405e+51	1.065029e+53
10		k2.1_revc	9.789346e+62	3.960331e+64
21831		Α	2.653712e-01	5.853000e-02
21832		T	2.678205e-01	5.815610e-02
21833		С	2.351111e-01	5.648440e-02
21834		G	2.316972e-01	5.435370e-02
21835	Enhancer	temp	8.269434e+01	3.785299e+00
21836	Linancei	shan	1.959202e+00	3.892580e-02
21837		k2.1_prod	4.093346e+01	1.835697e+01
21838		k2.1_barc	1.208127e+01	5.751107e+00
21839		k2.1_pals	2.567318e+112	1.038419e+114
21840		k2.1_revc	3.321646e+121	1.344343e+123

```
# Get only 'prod' columns of each kmer

k_Ns <- c(n_ki(2), n_ki(3), n_ki(4), n_ki(5), n_ki(6))
k_inds <- c(0)
for (k_n in k_Ns) {
    k_inds <- c(k_inds, tail(k_inds,1) + 1)
    k_inds <- c(k_inds, tail(k_inds,2)[1] + k_n)
}
k_inds <- k_inds[-1]
# print(k_inds)
# print((ldf-6)/4)
# print(ldf)</pre>
```

```
kmer_set_sizes <- data.frame(sizes = k_Ns,</pre>
 k_{sets} = c("2", "3", "4", "5", "6"))
ggplot(kmer_set_sizes, aes(x = "", y = sizes,
                           fill = k_sets))+
 geom_bar(width = 1, stat = "identity") +
 labs(y = "Count", x = "",
      title = "Kmers per Kmer Size",
      fill = "k =") +
 coord_polar("y", start = 0) +
 theme_minimal() +
  scale_fill_paletteer_d("PNWColors::Bay") +
  theme(legend.position = "right",
        axis.title = element_text(size = 15),
        text = element_text(size = rel(4.25)),
        legend.text = element_text(size = 13),
        legend.title = element_text(size = 13.5),
        axis.text.y = element_text(family = "mono"),
        plot.title = element_text(size = 16, hjust = 0.5))
```

#### Kmers per Kmer Size



Count

Now, for the sake of text-space optimization, we'll make some plotting functions (principally pyramid, bar and violin plots), in order to visualize our data.

```
# To plot pyramid-plots
pyrplot_ <- function(cre_data, kmer_labels, title,</pre>
                     x_label, y_label, y_breaks) {
  CREs <- c("Enhancer", "Promoter")</pre>
  field_order <- filter(cre_data, Type=CREs[1])$Field</pre>
  fact_field_order <- factor(cre_data$Field, field_order)</pre>
  if (missing(kmer_labels)) kmer_labels <- field_order</pre>
  ggplot(cre_data) +
    geom_bar(aes(x = fact_field_order,
                  y = ifelse(Type = CREs[1],
                             -Means, Means),
                 fill = paste(Type, "Means")),
             stat = "identity", position = "identity",
             alpha = 0.6, width = 0.7) +
    geom_errorbar(aes(x = fact_field_order,
                       ymin = ifelse(Type = CREs[1],
                                     -Means + StDevs,
                                      Means - StDevs),
                       ymax = ifelse(Type = CREs[1],
                                     -Means - StDevs,
                                      Means + StDevs)),
```

```
width = 0.5, alpha = 0.6,
                              colour = "black") +
                                                                                                     pyrplot_(cre_summary[c(1:4, ldf + (1:4)), ],
      coord_flip() +
                                                                                                                x_label = "Nucleotides", y_breaks = seq(-1,1,0.2),
      scale_x_discrete(labels = kmer_labels) +
                                                                                                                title = "Percentage Means per Nucleotide")
      scale_y_continuous(breaks = y_breaks,
                                      labels = abs(y_breaks)) +
      scale_fill_manual(values = c("turquoise", "coral"),
                                                                                                                                 Percentage Means per Nucleotide
                                    labels = CREs) +
      labs(y = "Means", x = x_label,
               title = title, fill = "CRE Type") +
      theme_minimal() +
      theme(legend.position = "bottom",
                axis.title = element_text(size = 15),
                text = element_text(size = rel(4.25)),
                legend.text = element_text(size = 13),
                                                                                                      Nucleotides
                legend.title = element_text(size = 13.5),
                 axis.text.y = element_text(family = "mono"),
                 plot.title = element_text(size = 16, hjust = 0.5))
barplot_ <- function(cre_data, y_breaks, y_axis_title="",</pre>
                                   fill_legend_title="") {
   ggplot(cre_data) +
      geom_bar(aes(x = factor(Type),
                            y = Means, fill = Type),
                      stat = "identity", position = "identity",
                                                                                                                            0.2
                      alpha = 0.6) +
                                                                                                                                                   Means
      geom_errorbar(aes(x = factor(Type),
                                                                                                                                  CRE Type Enhancer Promoter
                                    ymin = Means - StDevs,
                                     ymax = Means + StDevs),
                                                                                                     data_e <- cbind(type = rep("Enhancer",</pre>
                              alpha = 0.6, width = 0.5,
                                                                                                                                length(enhas$temp)), enhas[,5:6])
                              colour = "black") +
                                                                                                     data_p <- cbind(type = rep("Promoter",</pre>
      labs(y = y_axis_title, x = "",
                                                                                                                                length(proms$temp)), proms[,5:6])
              fill = fill_legend_title) +
                                                                                                     subset_tm_sh <- rbind(data_e, data_p)</pre>
      scale_y_continuous(breaks = y_breaks,
                                                                                                     # Saving Melting Temperature Violin Plot
                                      labels = y_breaks) +
      scale_fill_manual(values = c("turquoise", "coral")) +
                                                                                                     tm_violin <- hvioplot_(data = subset_tm_sh,</pre>
                                                                                                                                             y_var = "temp",
      theme_minimal() +
      theme(legend.position = "none",
                                                                                                                                             y_label = "Density")
                text = element_text(size = rel(4.5)),
                axis.title = element_text(size = 16))
                                                                                                     # Saving Shannon Violin Plot
}
                                                                                                     sh_violin <- hvioplot_(data = subset_tm_sh,</pre>
                                                                                                                                             y_var = "shan",
hvioplot_ <- function(data, y_var, y_label = "",
                                                                                                                                             fill_legend_title = "CRE Type")
                                   fill_legend_title = "") {
   \# x_breaks <- seq(-0.12, 0.12, 0.06)
                                                                                                     # Get legend
   ggplot(data, aes(x = 0, y = !!sym(y_var), fill = type)) + legend_violin <- get_legend_bypass(sh_violin + type)) + legend_bypass(sh_violin + type)) + legend_bypas
      geom_violinhalf(flip = 1, adjust = 0.25,
                                                                                                         guides(color = guide_legend(nrow = 1)) +
                                 trim = FALSE, scale = "count",
                                                                                                         theme(legend.position = "bottom",
                                  position = position_dodge(width = 0),
                                                                                                                   legend.title = element_text(size = 13.5),
                                  linewidth = 0.1, alpha = 0.6) +
                                                                                                                   legend.text = element_text(size = 13)))
      theme_minimal() +
                                                                                                     # Merging of Violin-Plots
      # scale_x_continuous(breaks = x_breaks ,
                                          labels = abs(x_breaks)) +
                                                                                                     grid_violin <- plot_grid(tm_violin, sh_violin, NULL,</pre>
      scale_fill_manual(values = c("turquoise", "coral")) +
                                                                                                                                   ncol = 3, rel_widths = c(1,1,0.1),
      labs(x = "", y = y_label, fill = fill_legend_title) +
                                                                                                                                   labels = c("Melting Temperature",
      theme(legend.position = "none",
                                                                                                                                   "Shannon Entropy"), label_size = 16,
                                                                                                                                   label_fontface = "plain", vjust = 1,
                text = element_text(size = rel(4.5)),
                 axis.title = element text(size = 13))
                                                                                                                                   hjust = c(-0.38, -0.48))
```

