#### Abstract

Several programs were written to aid in the analysis of data from fluctuation assays as described in Chapter 2. All programs were written in Matlab and the code is available online (http://murraylab.mcb.harvard.edu/fluctuation/). A summary and description of each program is provided below.

# findMLm

Input: *data* from fluctuation assay.

Output: most likely value of m given the data.

Command: findMLm(*data*)

This program requires the following programs to run: scoreData, generateLD.

## findMLmTwoParam

Input: data from fluctuation assay.

Output: most likely values of m and d given the data.

Command: findMLmTwoParameter(*data*)

This program requires the following programs to run: scoreDataTwoParam, generateLD, generatePO, generateTwoParam.

#### scoreData

Input: data from fluctuation assay and m.

Output:  $-\log \text{ probability of observing the } data \text{ given } m.$ 

Command: scoreData(*data*, *m*)

This program requires the following program to run: generateLD.

## scoreDataTwoParam

Input: data from fluctuation assay, m, and d.

Output:  $-\log \text{ probability of observing } data \text{ given } m \text{ and } d.$ 

Command: scoreDataTwoParam(*data*, *m*, *d*)

This program requires the following programs to run: generateLD, generatePO, generateTwoParam.

## generateLD

Input: m, and max.

Output: The Luria-Delbrück distribution from 0 to *max* with parameter *m*.

Command: generateLD(m, max)

## generatePO

Input: *lambda*, and *max*.

Output: The Poisson distribution from 0 to *max* with parameter *lambda*.

Command: generatePO(*lambda*, *max*)

## generateTwoParam

Input: m, d, and max.

Output: The combined Luria-Delbrück and Poisson distribution from 0 to

max with parameters m and  $lambda = m \times d$ .

Command: generateTwoParam(m, d, max)

This program requires the following programs to run: generateLD, generatePO.

# sampleLD

Input: m, number of samples.

Output: Random variables from the Luria-Delbrück distribution with

parameter *m*.

Command: sampleLD(*m*, *samples*)

This program requires the following program to run: generateLD.

### *sampleTwoParam*

Input: m, number of samples.

Output: Random variables from a combined Luria-Delbrück and Poisson

distribution with parameters m and  $lambda = m \times d$ .

Command: sampleTwoParam(*m*, *d*, *samples*)

This program requires the following programs to run: generateLD, generatePO, generateTwoParam.

# SSDScoreLD

Input: *data* from fluctuation assay.

Output: sum of the squared differences between the cumulative distribution

of the data and the cumulative Luria-Delbrück distribution with

parameter m determined from the data.

Command: SSDScore(*data*)

This program requires the following programs to run: findMLm, scoreData, generateLD.

## **SSDScoreTwoParam**

Input: data from fluctuation assay.

Output: sum of the squared differences between the cumulative distribution

of the data and the cumulative combined Luria-Delbrück and Poisson distribution with parameters m and  $lambda = m \times d$ 

determined from the data.

Command: SSDScoreTwoParam(*data*)

This program requires the following programs to run: findMLmTwoParam, scoreDataTwoParam, generateLD, generatePO, generateTwoParam.