HaploGI - Haplotyping Given Inheritance

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Introduction

HaploGI (Haplotyping Given Inheritance) is a C++ program for pedigree-based haplotyping of whole genome sequencing (WGS) data, which is designed to work with files and file formats from the MORGAN package. It also identifies haplotype sharing among subjects in extended pedigrees.

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Software Citation

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Software URL

Repository: https://github.com/RafPrograms/HaploGI

Files available for download: -HaploGI.cpp (source code) - manual_HaploGI_v1.0.0.pdf (PDF) (user manual) - parameter_file_template.txt (parameter file template) - HaploGI_utility_scripts (Python utility scripts) - HaploGI_test_data.zip (example dataset)

Build and Install

You can build HaploGI from source using CMake:

```
Requirements CMake geq~3.10 C++17-compliant compiler (e.g., g++ geq~7, clang geq~5) Unix-like environment (Linux/macOS recommended)
```

```
# Clone the repository (if not done yet)
git clone https://github.com/RafPrograms/HaploGI.git
cd HaploGI

# Create a separate build directory
mkdir build
cd build

# Generate Makefiles with CMake
cmake ..

# Compile the program
make
```

Build Instructions [rocket] Run from Build Directory After compiling, you can run HaploGI directly from the build directory:

```
./HaploGI -- [options] [parameter_file_path]
```

Optional: Install System-Wide

To install the compiled binary to your system path (default: /usr/local/bin): sudo make install

This will allow you to run HaploGI from anywhere in your terminal.

[idea] Note: The binary is installed to the bin/directory under your system's CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX (default: /usr/local/bin).

Custom Install Location You can specify an install prefix:

```
cmake -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=/your/custom/path ..
make
sudo make install
```

Getting Started

Launch HaploGI using the following syntax:

```
./HaploGI -- [options] [parameter_file_path]
```

Run Options

Option	Description
haplotyping	Pedigree-based haplotyping + core set of cases identification
haplosharing	Evaluate haplotype sharing in predefined cases
full	Combines both haplotyping and haplosharing

General Options

Option	Description
help	Display help
version	Show current version

Parameter File

 $See: \verb"parameter_file_template.txt"$

Required for all run types:

Description
Pedigree file path
SNV genomic positions file path
SNV genotypes file path
Linkage region boundaries (cM)
Max LOD marker position (cM)
Output directory

Required for $\operatorname{\mathtt{--haplotyping}}$ and $\operatorname{\mathtt{--full:}}$

Entry	Description
7#	Linkage markers genomic positions file
8#	Meiosis indicators file
9#	Number of iterations in indicator file

Required for --haplosharing:

Entry	Description
10#	Haplotype sequences file
11#	Core set of cases file

Optional:

Entry	Description	
12#	Seed number (default:	1234)

Input File Formats

All files must be ${\bf space\text{-}delimited}.$

Required per Run Option

File	Required for
Pedigree file	All
SNV genomic positions	All
SNV genotypes	All
Linkage markers positions	haplotyping, full
Meiosis indicators	haplotyping, full
Haplotype sequences	haplosharing
Core cases	haplosharing

Example Input Files

```
subject father mother sex phenotype
*******
101 0 0 1 0
102 0 0 2 0
```

```
201 101 102 1 0
202 101 102 2 0
2010 0 0 2 0
301 201 2010 1 0
302 201 2010 2 2
```

Pedigree File Format: The pedigree file contains five space-delimited columns with the following information:

- 1. Subject ID
- 2. Father ID
- 3. Mother ID
- 4. **Sex**
 - 1 = Male
 - 2 = Female
 - 0 = Unsexed / unknown
- 5. Phenotype
 - 1 = Control
 - 2 = Case
 - 0 = No phenotype data

File Format Notes

- Header lines (above the main data) are ignored by the program if they appear before a line starting with *.
- You may include column headers before this marker.
- IDs must not contain special characters such as #, *, or @.

Note: The ******* line acts as a marker—any content above this line is ignored during processing.

```
1052701 3.767099
1052874 3.767696
1053095 3.768460
1053154 3.768664
```

SNV Genomic Positions File Format: This file contains genomic position data for each single nucleotide variant (SNV), with one SNV per line.

File Format

- · No header row
- Each line contains two space-delimited columns:
 - 1. Base pair (bp) position The physical location of the SNV on the chromosome
 - 2. Genetic position in centimorgans (cM) The corresponding genetic map position

Note: Ensure the order of positions in this file matches the order of SNVs used in related genotype and haplotype files.

SNV Genotype File Format: The SNV genotype file contains variant genotype data for subjects with whole genome sequencing (WGS) data. Genotypes are encoded as:

- 0 = Missing
- 1 = Reference allele (REF)
- 2 = Alternative allele (ALT)

File Structure

• First column:

Contains the SNV's genomic position in the format chromosome:position (e.g., 16:10414).

• Remaining columns:

Each subject is represented by **two consecutive columns**, one for each of their diploid genotype alleles.

• Header row:

Lists subject IDs. Each subject ID appears **twice**, corresponding to their two genotype alleles.

Note: Ensure that subject IDs are consistent across files and that each subject has exactly two columns representing diploid genotype data.

[tools] Use prepare_genotype_file.py to generate an SNV genotype file from a VCF file for use in HaploGI runs.

0.219846 1.134855 1.793034

Linkage Markers Genomic Positions File Format: This file contains the genetic positions (in centimorgans, cM) of linkage markers used to compute inheritance vectors with the Morgan package.

File Format

- No header row
- Each line contains a single centimorgan (cM) position for one linkage marker
- Markers are listed in the order expected by downstream analysis tools

Note: Ensure that the number and order of cM positions match the corresponding linkage marker set used in the analysis pipeline.

Meiosis Indicators File Format: The meiosis indicators file is generated by the gl_auto program from the Morgan package.

It follows the same format as described in the official Morgan package manual.

Note: This file encodes inheritance information and is used in downstream linkage and haplotype analyses.

[tools] Use decrease_number_of_MI_iterations.py to generate a meiosis indicators file with a reduced number of iterations (recommended: 1000) to ease the computational burden on HaploGI.

 Haplotype Sequences File Format: The haplotype sequences file is generated by HaploGI using either the --haplotyping or --full run options.

This file contains three columns with no header:

1. Genomic Range

A string representing the chromosome and variant range in the format: chr:start-end

- chr: Chromosome number
- start and end: Positions of the first and last genomic variants in the haplotype

2. Subject ID and Chromosome

The subject identifier followed by an underscore and a digit:

- _0: Maternal chromosome
- _1: Paternal chromosome

3. Haplotype Sequence

A string of digits representing the sequence of genomic variants for the given region.

Note: This file does not include a header row. Be sure to account for that when parsing the file programmatically.

302 306 403 408 411 501 504 506 511 512 513 516

Core Set of Cases File Format: This file contains a list of case subject IDs, separated by spaces, all on a single line.

- No header row
- IDs must match those used in other input files (e.g., pedigree, genotype, haplotype files)

HaploGI uses this set of cases to check for the existence of haplotype sharing among them.

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Output File Formats

File	Generated by
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Haplotype sequences	haplotyping, full
Core cases	haplotyping, full

File	Generated by
Allele inconsistencies Shared haplotypes Haplotype sharing patterns	haplotyping, full haplosharing, full haplosharing, full

Example Output Files

Haplotype Sequences File – see Haplotype Sequences File Format [tools] Use create_phased_vcf.py to convert phased whole-genome sequencing (WGS) data generated by HaploGI into VCF format, enabling easier downstream analysis.

Core Set of Cases - see Core Set of Cases File Format

bp_position 1445745 1455891 1458974

Inconsistencies of Allele to FGL Assignments File Format: This file lists variants for which inconsistencies between alleles and Founder Genome Labels (FGL) were detected.

File Format

- The file includes a header row.
- Each subsequent line contains the **base pair position** of a variant with detected inconsistency.
- One base pair position per line.

Notes

- This file is intended for **exploratory purposes only**.
- It is **not required** for haplotyping or determining haplotype sharing.

Shared Haplotype Sequence File Format: This file contains haplotype sequences shared within genomic windows among cases listed in the core set of cases file.

File Format

- The file has two columns and no header.
- The **first column** specifies the genomic window location, formatted as: chromosome_number:first_variant_bp-last_variant_bp (e.g., 16:1052701-1055604)
- The **second column** contains the haplotype sequence corresponding to that genomic window.

[tools] Use risk_haplotype_sequence_vcf.py to convert risk haplotype sequences generated by HaploGI into VCF format for convenient downstream analysis.

Haplotype Sharing Patterns File Format: This file contains information about haplotype sharing across all genomic windows evaluated.

File Format

- The file includes a header row.
- The first column contains genomic window numbers.
- Each subject with WGS data is represented by **two consecutive** columns:
 - One for the maternal chromosome
 - One for the paternal chromosome
- Entries indicate the presence of a shared haplotype:
 - -1 = Shared haplotype present in a **case**
 - -2 = Shared haplotype present in a **control**
 - 0 =No shared haplotype present.

Usage

You can use the provided Python utility script plot_haplotype_sharing.py to generate these plots.

[tools] Use plot_haplotype_sharing.py to visualize haplotype sharing data generated by HaploGI. This script helps identify the presence and boundaries of risk haplotypes. The resulting plots also provide a broader overview of haplotype sharing, supporting more informed decision-making during data analysis.

[tools] HaploGI Utility Scripts

A number of Python utility scripts are available to assist with preparing HaploGI input files, processing output data, and visualizing results, at: HaploGI_utility_scripts.

Other Python utility scripts that have not been introduced yet in this manual are:

[tools] risk_alleles_variants.py – Identifies and outputs variants whose alleles are uniquely present on the risk haplotype. The resulting file also includes associated metadata extracted from the input VCF file.

[tools] create_genomic_windows.py — Generates a genomic windows file from an SNV genomic positions file used in HaploGI runs. This facilitates easier cross-referencing of data to specific genomic regions.

Data Example

A full example with three run configurations is available in data_example.

Support

For questions, bug reports, or suggestions, please contact: nrafscience@gmail.com $_{\rm CMLLL}$

GitHub Issues

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Web Resources

• HaploGI: https://github.com/RafPrograms

• Morgan Package: Morgan site

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