

Hidden Markov Modelling (HMM)

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Packages

- moveHMM - <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/moveHMM/vignettes/moveHMM-guide.pdf> - For fitting hidden Markov models to animal movement data
- momentuHMM - <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/momentuHMM/vignettes/momentuHMM.pdf> - Essentially an updated version of moveHMM with more flexibility

Tutorials and resources

moveHMM package documentation and tutorials

- <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/moveHMM/vignettes/moveHMM-guide.pdf>
- Michelot, T., Langrock, R., & Patterson, T. A. (2016). **moveHMM: an R package for the statistical modelling of animal movement data using hidden Markov models.** Methods in Ecology and Evolution, 7(11), 1308–1315. <https://doi.org/10.1111/2041-210X.12578>

momentuHMM package documentation and tutorials

- <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/momentuHMM/vignettes/momentuHMM.pdf>
- McClintock, B. T., & Michelot, T. (2018). **momentuHMM: R package for generalized hidden Markov models of animal movement.** Methods in Ecology and Evolution, 9(6), 1518–1530. <https://doi.org/10.1111/2041-210X.12995>

HMM tutorial

- https://mjones029.github.io/Tutorials/HMM_tutorial.html

Behavioral Analysis in R - *includes both HMMs and Behavioural Change Point Analysis (BCPA)*

- https://www.danaseidel.com/MovEco-R-Workshop/Materials/Day6/Behavioral_Analysis/

Useful papers

(Langrock et al. 2012) - Langrock, R., King, R., Matthiopoulos, J., Thomas, L., Fortin, D., & Morales, J. M. (2012). **Flexible and practical modeling of animal telemetry data: hidden Markov models and extensions.** *Ecology*, 93(11), 2336–2342. <https://doi.org/10.1890/11-2241.1>

(Pohle et al. 2017) - Pohle, J., Langrock, R., van Beest, F. M., & Schmidt, N. M. (2017). **Selecting the Number of States in Hidden Markov Models: Pragmatic Solutions Illustrated Using Animal Movement.** *Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics*, 22(3), 270–293. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13253-017-0283-8>

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