

Deciphering Signatures of Mutational Processes Operative in Human Cancer

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- Mutation type K-letter alphabet Ξ
- Mutational signature
 discrete probability density function

$$P:\Xi\to\mathbb{R}_+^K$$

• mutational process P_1 nonnegative K-tuple

$$P_1 = [p_1^1, p_1^2, ..., p_1^K]^T \sum_{k=1}^K p_1^k = 1$$

nonnegative mutational signature

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} p_1^1 & p_2^1 & \dots & p_{N-1}^1 & p_N^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ p_1^K & p_2^K & \dots & p_{N-1}^K & p_N^K \end{bmatrix}$$

size $K \times N$,

K is the number of mutation types

N is the number of signatures

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• Exposure $e_g^1 \in \mathbb{N}_0$

a mutational process P_1 with signature

$$P_1 = [p_1^1, p_1^2, ..., p_1^K]^T$$

in genome g

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nonnegative exposure

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} e_1^1 & e_2^1 & \dots & e_{G-1}^1 & e_G^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ e_1^N & e_2^N & \cdots & e_{G-1}^N & e_G^N \end{bmatrix}$$

size $N \times G$

N is the number of signatures

G is number of genomes

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mutational catalog of a cancer genome g

$$m_g:\Xi \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0^K$$

• mutational catalog m_1 nonnegative K-tuple

$$m_1 = [m_1^1, m_1^2, ..., m_1^K]^T$$

nonnegative mutational catalogs

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} m_1^1 & m_2^1 & \dots & m_{G-1}^1 & m_G^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ m_1^K & m_2^K & \cdots & m_{G-1}^K & m_G^K \end{bmatrix}$$

size $K \times G$

K is the number of mutation types

G is number of genomes

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Framework for Deciphering Signatures of Mutational Processes

- a linear superposition
 of the signatures
 of the mutational processes operative
 in this genome
- and their respective exposures
- G genomes and N mutational signatures

$$M \approx P \times E$$

Step 1 (Dimension Reduction)

Reduce the dimensions of M

$$\sum_{r \in R} \sum_{g=1}^{G} m_g^r \le 0.01 \times \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{g=1}^{G} m_g^k$$

new matrix \dot{M} size $\dot{K} \times G$ where $\dot{K} = K - |R|$

Step 2 (Bootstrap)

- Monte Carlo bootstrap resampling
 - 1. compute $Pr(\vec{m}_g^q) = \dot{m}_g^q / \sum_{k=1}^K \dot{m}_g^k$ for each mutation type $q = \langle \dot{m}_g^q, Pr(\vec{m}_g^q), q = 1, 2, ..., \dot{K} \rangle$
 - 2. resample \dot{K} times

with replacement from weighted set such that $\sum_{k=1}^{K} \vec{m}_{g}^{k} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \dot{m}_{g}^{k}$

new matrix $reve{M}$

Step 3 (NMF)

the multiplicative update algorithm

$$\min_{P \in M_{R_{\bullet}}^{(\dot{K},N)}, E \in M_{R_{\bullet}}^{(N,G)}} ||\widecheck{M} - P \times E||_{F}^{2}$$

- 1. Initialize $p_n^k \ge 0, e_g^n \ge 0, \forall n, g, k$
- 2. for i= 1,2, . . . , 10000
 - a) If (P, E) is stationary, stop

else

$$e_g^n = e_g^n \frac{[P^T \tilde{M}]_{n,g}}{[P^T P E]_{n,g}} \forall g, n$$

$$p_n^{k} = p_n^{k} \frac{[\breve{M}E^T]_{k,n}}{[PEE^T]_{k,n}} \forall n, k$$

Step 4 (Iterate)

- Perform Steps 2 and 3 for I iterations
- I depend on the size and type of the initial matrix M

Step 5 (Cluster)

- $S_P \in M_{R_+}^{(\dot{K},N)}$ set of matrices
 - mutational signatures generated over the *I* iterations
- $S_E \in M_{R_+}^{(N,G)}$ set of matrices
 - exposures generated over the *I* iterations
- Cluster the data into N clusters
 - Assign each signature for $\forall P \in S_P$ to exactly one cluster
 - N centroids: average the signatures belonging to each cluster

Step 5 (Cluster)

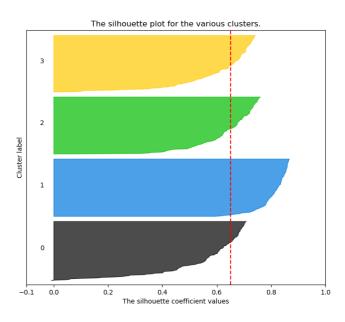
Similarities between mutational signatures

$$similarity(A,B) = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{K} A_k B_k}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{K} (A_k^2) \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{K} (B_k^2)}}}$$

- ullet \overline{P} iteration-averaged signature matrix
 - combine the N centroid vectors ordered by their reproducibility

Step 6 (Evaluate)

- Silhouette width → measure reproducibility
 - how similar an object is to its own cluster (cohesion) compared to other clusters (separation)
 - 1.00 : consistently deciphering the same mutational signature
 - 0.00 : lack of reproducibility of the solution



Step 6 (Evaluate)

• Frobenius reconstruction error → measure accuracy

$$- ||M-P\times E||_F^2$$

- 0.00 : original matrix