

Equation for estimating pairs

We need to estimate the stationary probabilities and the rate parameters (gtr_rates). In order to calculate the rate parameters, we need to find an estimate of the rate matrix R. For a pair of sequences we first calculate our probability matrix P by counting the number of transition instances.

```
for i in range(len(s)):
    if(r[i] == s[i]):
        P[PROB_KEYS.index(r[i])][PROB_KEYS.index(r[i])] += 2
        pis[PROB_KEYS.index(r[i])] += 2
    else:
        try:
            ind = Orderedratekeys.index(r[i] + s[i])
        except:
            ind = Orderedratekeys.index(s[i] + r[i])
        #AC and CA
        if ind == 0:
            P[1][0] +=1
            P[0][1] +=1
```

In my algorithm, if the sequence letters were the same I add two to my count at that index in my probability matrix (for both directions). In the case where both letters are different, I add 1 to my count in two indexes of my probability matrix (for both orders of letters). In this way, P is symmetrical and $P[n][i] = P[i][n]$. I then normalize my P matrix so the rows and columns sum to 1.

```
row_sum = P.sum(axis=1)
P = P/row_sum[:,np.newaxis]
```

We can find R by taking the inverse of $P = e^{Rd}$. So $R = \log(P)/d$.

```
R = sp.linalg.logm(P)/d + np.exp(-15)
```

To find our stationary probabilities we count the total appearance of letters A, C, G, T and normalize. With the R matrix entries and the stationary probabilities we can easily solve for our gtr rates $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4, \theta_5, \theta_6)$. (These are different symbols than class see the diagram below).

REV	A	C	G	T
A	$-\Sigma$	$\theta_1 \pi_C$	$\theta_2 \pi_G$	$\theta_3 \pi_T$
C	$\theta_1 \pi_A$	$-\Sigma$	$\theta_4 \pi_G$	$\theta_5 \pi_T$
G	$\theta_2 \pi_A$	$\theta_4 \pi_C$	$-\Sigma$	$\theta_6 \pi_T$
T	$\theta_3 \pi_A$	$\theta_5 \pi_C$	$\theta_6 \pi_G$	$-\Sigma$

```

gtr_rates['CT'] = R[3][1]/pis[1]
gtr_rates['AT'] = R[3][0]/pis[0]
gtr_rates['GT'] = R[3][2]/pis[2]
gtr_rates['AC'] = R[1][0]/pis[0]
gtr_rates['CG'] = R[2][1]/pis[1]
gtr_rates['AG'] = R[2][0]/pis[0]

```

For example, $\theta_1 = R[C,A]/\pi_a = \text{gtr_rates}['AC']$.

Algorithm for estimating from multiple sequences

To estimate the parameters for a tree we iterate through each pair of leaves. For each pair, I call `gtr_params_pair` which estimates the parameters for that pair.

```

for node1 in tree.traverse_postorder():
    if node1.is_leaf():
        for node2 in tree.traverse_postorder():
            if node2.is_leaf() and node1 != node2:
                d = tree.distance_between(node1,node2)
                temp_probs,temp_rates =
gtr_params_pair(seqs[node1.get_label()],seqs[node2.get_label()],d)

```

I then take the weighted average of these parameters to find the total estimate of my rate parameters (gtr_rates) and stationary probabilities(π). I use $1 / \text{variance}(\text{stationary probabilities})$ for each pair of nodes as my weight. This way for a smaller variance(all letters appear equally) I find a larger weight. I don't weight my stationary probability estimates with this because that would bias it(these are close anyways).

```
weight = 1/(np.var(list(temp_probs.values()))) + .00001
    for key, value in temp_probs.items():
        gtr_probs[key] += value

    for key, value in temp_rates.items():
        gtr_rates[key] += weight*value
```

Finally, I normalize my rate parameters and my stationary probabilities.

```
# normalize
norm = gtr_rates['GT']
for key, value in gtr_rates.items():
    gtr_rates[key] = value/norm

#normalize
probsum = sum(list(gtr_probs.values()))
for key, value in gtr_probs.items():
    gtr_probs[key] = value/probsum
```