Time complexity analysis of recently proposed algorithms for optimal changepoint detection

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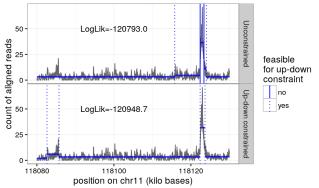
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New idea: an optimal algorithm for computing best changepoints which alternate up and down (R package PeakSegOptimal).



Comparison to previous work and novelty

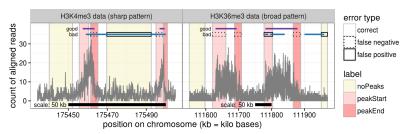
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- ▶ One hyper-parameter = number of segments $S \in \{1, 3, ...\}$.
- Hard optimization problem, naively $O(n^S)$ time.
- Previous unconstrained model: not always up-down changes.
- Interpretable: P = (S 1)/2 peaks (segments 2, 4, ...).
- \triangleright H et al., ICML 2015: $O(Sn^2)$ time approximate algorithm.
- ▶ This paper: $O(Sn \log n)$ time optimal algorithm.



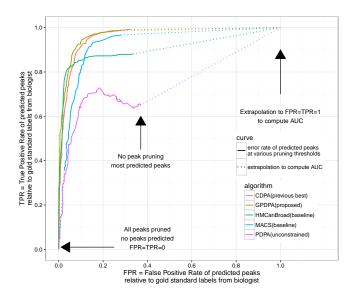
Labeled data setting



- Benchmark data with 2752 labeled data sequences: https://rcdata.nau.edu/genomic-ml/chip-seq-chunk-db/
- ▶ Goal is to learn a model for predicting the log penalty, $f(x) = \log \lambda$ with good peak prediction accuracy according to labels.

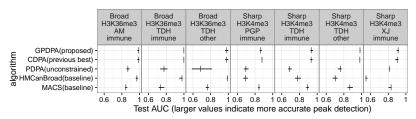
$$S^*(\lambda) = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{s} L_s + \lambda s.$$

Test ROC curves of predicted peaks



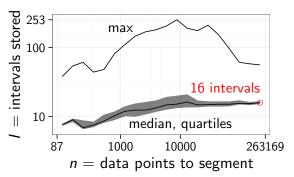
Each point on the ROC curve corresponds to a different penalty λ .

Test AUC of predicted peaks



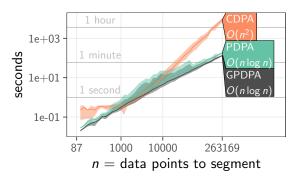
- ▶ 4-fold cross-validation: train on 3/4 of labels, test on 1/4.
- All models trained by learning a scalar significance threshold / penalty parameter, which is varied to compute ROC/AUC.
- MACS is highly inaccurate in all data sets.
- ▶ HMCanBroad is accurate for broad but not sharp pattern.
- Unconstrained PDPA algorithm not as accurate as up-down constrained algorithms (CDPA, GPDPA).

Time complexity analysis 1 (real genomic ChIP-seq data)



- Dynamic programming algorithm uses functional pruning, which requires storing the cost as a function of the last segment mean.
- ► This cost function can be computed/stored exactly in terms of several pieces/intervals with different coefficients.
- The algorithm complexity is linear in the number of intervals, and the figure above shows that it is very small, $O(\log n)$, for real data.

Time complexity analysis 2 (real genomic ChIP-seq data)



- Proposed GPDPA with up-down constraints is just as fast as previous PDPA with no constraints between adjacent segment means.
- ▶ Both are much faster than the CDPA (heuristic/approximate algorithm which enforces up-down constraints).

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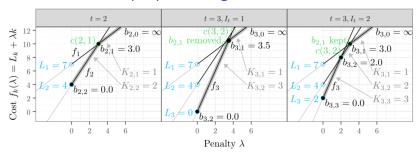
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 $\label{lem:reconstruction} R \ function \ penalty Learning: : {\tt modelSelection}.$

Three iterations of proposed algorithm



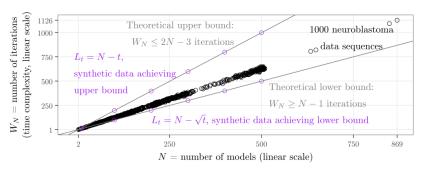
For learning we would like an exact representation of the model selection function,

$$k^*(\lambda) = \underset{k}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \underbrace{L_k + \lambda k}_{f_k(\lambda)}$$

▶ Each f_k is a linear function; we propose a linear time algorithm which efficiently computes the intersection points (previous algorithms were quadratic time).

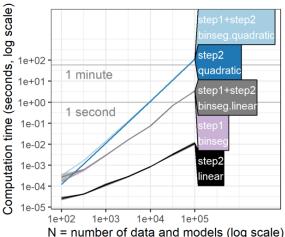


Empirical iterations and theoretical bounds



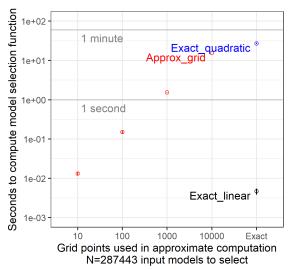
- ightharpoonup We proved linear upper and lower bounds on the total number of iterations W_N .
- ▶ We showed that in real data the number of iterations is closer to the lower bound than the upper bound.

Empirical timings (synthetic data)



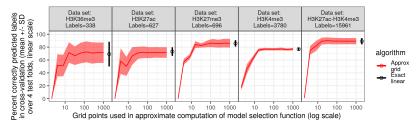
- Step1: binary segmentation.
- Step2: compute breakpoints in model selection function.
- Proposed linear algorithm faster than previous quadratic algorithm. 4日 → 4周 → 4 三 → 4 三 → 9 Q P

Empirical timings (real genomic data)



Faster than approximate grid search algorithm and exact quadratic algorithm.

Accuracy in cross-validation experiments



► Learning using exact linear algorithm is just as good (and faster than) the approximate search algorithm using a large number of grid points.

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Previous work on the Segment Neighborhood problem

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▶ All algorithms solve the **Segment Neighborhood** "constrained" problem: most likely mean m_i for data z_i , subject to the constraint of S segments (S-1) changes.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \underset{\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{R}^N}{\text{minimize}} & \sum_{i=1}^N \ell(m_i, z_i) \\ \\ \text{subject to} & \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} I[m_i \neq m_{i+1}] = S-1, \end{array}$$

...up-down constraints on m.

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Previous work on the Optimal Partitioning problem

	no pruning	functional pruning
unconstrained	Opt. Part. Algo.	FPOP
	exact $O(N^2)$	exact $O(N \log N)$
	Jackson et al 2005	Maidstone et al 2016
up-down constrained		Generalized FPOP
		exact $O(N \log N)$
		This work

All algorithms solve the **Optimal Partitioning** "penalized" problem: most likely mean m_i for data z_i , penalized by a non-negative penalty $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$ for each change:

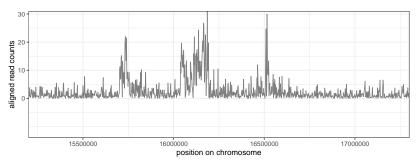
$$\underset{\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{R}^N}{\text{minimize}} \quad \sum_{i=1}^N \ell(m_i, z_i) + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} I[m_i \neq m_{i+1}]$$

subject to ...up-down constraints on m.

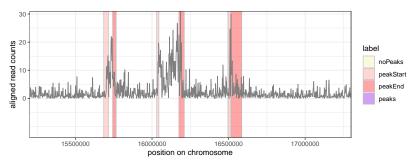
Benchmark of large genomic data sequences

http://github.com/tdhock/feature-learning-benchmark

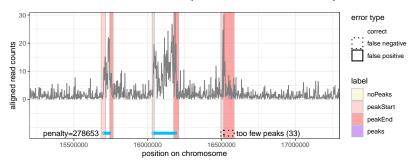
- ▶ 4951 data sequences ranging from $N = 10^3$ to $N = 10^7$.
- ▶ Ran GFPOP with penalty $\lambda \in (\log N, N)$, resulting in a range of models with different numbers of peaks, for each data set.
- ► Each data set has **labels** which can be used to determine an appropriate number of peaks.



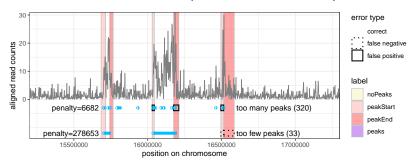
One ChIP-seq data set with N = 1,254,751 (only 82,233 shown).



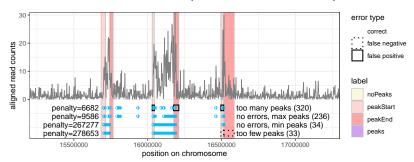
Visually labeled regions (H et al., Bioinformatics 2017).



Penalty too large, too few peaks, 2 false negative labels.

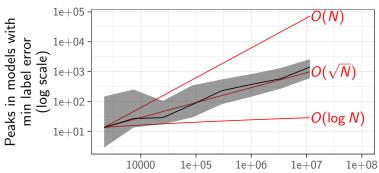


Penalty too small, too many peaks, 3 false positive labels.



Models with 34-236 peaks have no label errors (midpoint=135).

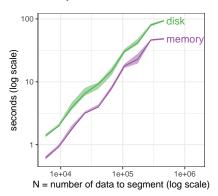
Segment Neighborhood model too slow for $O(\sqrt{N})$ peaks



N =number of data to segment (log scale)

- Previous GPDPA: O(S) dynamic programming iterations, each is $O(N \log N)$ time/space.
- If we want $S = O(\sqrt{N})$ segments then the algorithm is $O(N\sqrt{N}\log N)$ time/space too much for large data.
- For example $N=10^7$ data. Each $O(N \log N)$ DP iteration takes 1 hour, 80 GB. Overall if we want $S=O(\sqrt{N})=2828$ segments we need 220 TB of storage and 17 weeks!

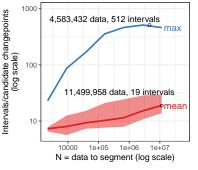
GFPOP Implementation stores cost functions on disk

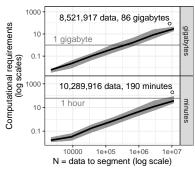


- ▶ Disk storage is only a constant factor slower than memory!
- ▶ Both are $O(N \log N)$ time.
- ▶ Memory implementation: $O(N \log N)$ memory! (too big)
- ▶ Disk implementation: $O(\log N)$ memory (< 1GB), $O(N \log N)$ disk.

Time/space to solve one penalty is $O(N \log N)$

Total time/space = O(NI) where I is the number of intervals (candidate changepoints) stored in every optimal cost function $\overline{C}_t(\mu)$.





 $I = O(\log N)$ intervals.

Overall $O(N \log N)$ complexity.

But how to compute model with $O(\sqrt{N})$ peaks?



Sequential search algorithm using GFPOP to compute most likely model with at most P^* peaks

- 1: Input: data $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^N$, target peaks P^* .
- 2: $\overline{L}, \overline{p} \leftarrow \mathsf{GFPOP}(\mathbf{z}, \lambda = 0) // \mathsf{max} \mathsf{ peak} \mathsf{ model}$
- 3: $\underline{L},\underline{p} \leftarrow \mathsf{GFPOP}(\mathbf{z},\lambda=\infty) \; // \; \mathsf{0} \; \mathsf{peak} \; \mathsf{model}$
- 4: While $p \neq P^*$ and $\overline{p} \neq P^*$:
- 5: $\lambda = (\overline{L} \underline{L})/(\underline{p} \overline{p})$
- 6: $L_{\text{new}}, p_{\text{new}} \leftarrow \overline{\mathsf{GFPOP}}(\mathbf{z}, \lambda)$
- 7: If $p_{\text{new}} \in \{\underline{p}, \overline{p}\}$: return model with \underline{p} peaks.
- 8: If $p_{\text{new}} < P^*$: $\underline{p} \leftarrow p_{\text{new}}$
- 9: Else: $\overline{p} \leftarrow p_{\text{new}}$
- 10: If $p = P^*$: return model with p peaks.
- 11: Else: return model with \overline{p} peaks.

Example run of sequential search algorithm using GFPOP

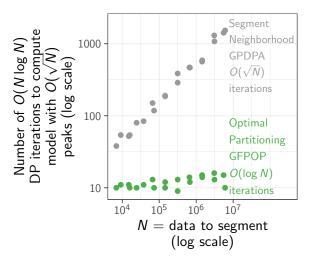
One data set with $P^* = 93$ peaks and N = 146, 186 data.

iteration	<u>p</u>	\overline{p}	λ	p_{new}	L_{new}
1			0	68752	-2570319
1			∞	0	14239212
2	0	68752	244.4952	4361	1980119
3	0	4361	2811.0738	188	3676671
4	0	188	56183.7271	55	5330310
5	55	188	12433.3766	98	4108354
6	55	98	28417.5941	72	4584042
7	72	98	18295.6895	83	4336773
8	83	98	15227.9249	90	4218815
9	90	98	13807.6282	95	4146172
10	90	95	14528.5052	92	4188881
11	92	95	14236.0863	94	4160179
12	92	94	14350.6622	93	4174480

12 DP iterations much fewer than $93 \times 2 = 186$ which would be required for Segment Neighborhood!



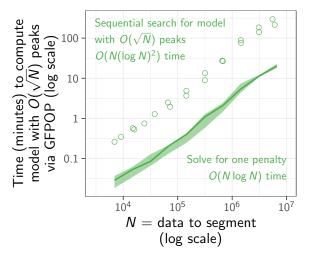
Only $O(\log N)$ runs of GFPOP to compute $O(\sqrt{N})$ peaks



 Proposed Optimal Partitioning algorithm + sequential search algorithm is much faster than previous Segment Neighborhood algorithm.



Sequential search only a log factor slower than solving one penalty



For $N = 10^7$ only several hours of computation! (compare with weeks for Segment Neighborhood algorithm)

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- New algorithms for optimal changepoint detection in peak/background model, with constraints or penalty on number of changes/peaks.
- New algorithm for computing breakpoints in model selection function (converts solution from constrained to penalized problem).
- New R packages with efficient C++ code: PeakSegOptimal, PeakSegDisk, penaltyLearning.
- ► Future work: more general graph-based constraints for other data types (not just up-down peak pattern).
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- ▶ Thanks!

For some data the desired number of peaks does not exist!

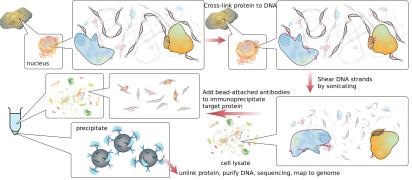
One data set with $P^* = 75$ and N = 66,031 data.

itera	tion	<u>p</u>	\overline{p}	λ	p_{new}	L_{new}
	1			0	29681	-1495863.85
	1			∞	0	1200631.42
	2	0	29681	90.85	3445	-1245181.37
	3	0	3445	709.96	401	-446632.57
	4	0	401	4107.89	51	3105.03
	5	51	401	1284.96	168	-230152.31
	6	51	168	1993.65	97	-120725.83
	7	51	97	2691.98	68	-53946.18
	8	68	97	2302.75	81	-86423.80
	9	68	81	2498.28	77	-76891.10
	10	68	77	2549.44	71	-61722.09
	11	71	77	2528.17	74	-69330.62
	12	74	77	2520.16	76	-74374.78
	13	74	76	2522.08	76	-74374.78
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No model exists between $\underline{p}=74$ and $\overline{p}=76$, so algo stops and returns the simpler model with 74 peaks.

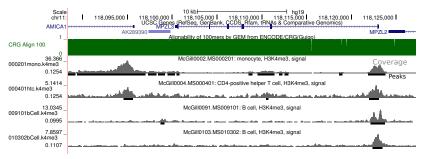
Chromatin immunoprecipitation sequencing (ChIP-seq)

Analysis of DNA-protein interactions.



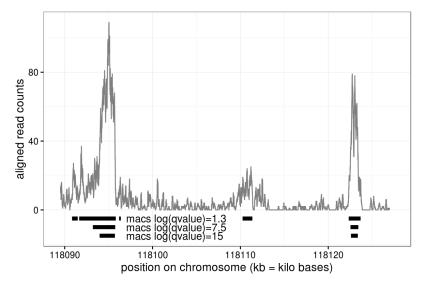
Source: "ChIP-sequencing," Wikipedia.

Problem: find peaks in each of several samples

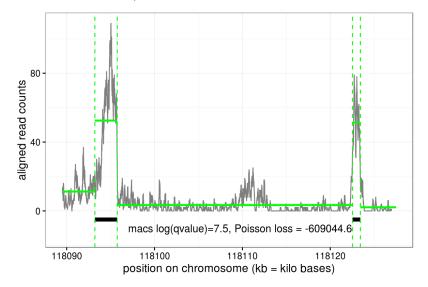


- Grey profiles are noisy aligned read count signals peaks are genomic locations with protein binding sites.
- ▶ Black bars are peaks called by MACS2 (Zhang et al, 2008) many false positives! (black bars where there is only noise)
- ► From a machine learning perspective, this is binary classification (positive=peaks, negative=noise).

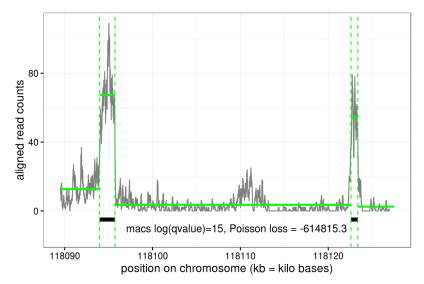
Which macs parameter is best for these data?



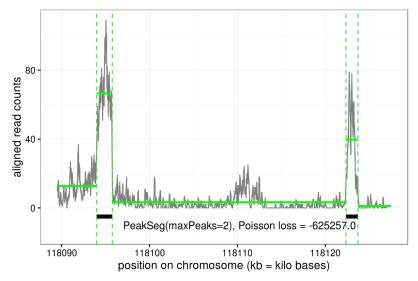
Compute likelihood/loss of piecewise constant model



Idea: choose the parameter with a lower loss



PeakSeg: search for the peaks with lowest loss



Simple model with only one parameter (number of peaks).



Statistical model is a piecewise constant Poisson mean

- Het al., ICML 2015. We have n count data $z_1, \ldots, z_n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.
 - ▶ Fix the number of segments $S \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$.
 - ▶ Optimization variables: S-1 changepoints $t_1 < \cdots < t_{S-1}$ and S segment means $u_1, \ldots, u_S \in \mathbb{R}_+$.
 - ▶ Let $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_{S-1} < t_S = n$ be the segment limits.
 - Statistical model: for every segment $s \in \{1, ..., S\}$, $z_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \mathsf{Poisson}(u_s)$ for every data point $i \in (t_{s-1}, t_s]$.
 - ▶ PeakSeg up-down constraint: $u_1 \le u_2 \ge u_3 \le u_4 \ge \cdots$
 - Want to find means u_s which maximize the Poisson likelihood: $P(Z = z_i | u_s) = u_s^{z_i} e^{-u_s} / (z_i!)$.
 - ▶ Equivalent to finding means u_s which minimize the Poisson loss: $\ell(u_s, z_i) = u_s z_i \log u_s$.

Dynamic programming and functional pruning

Classical dynamic programming for optimal partitioning (Jackson et al 2005) computes the vector of optimal loss values up to N data points, $O(N^2)$ time because each DP iteration needs to consider all O(N) possible changepoints and cost values.

$$C_1$$
 C_2 \cdots C_{N-1} C_N

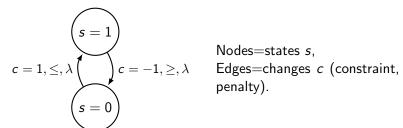
Functional pruning optimal partitioning (Maidstone 2016) computes a vector of loss functions, $O(N \log N)$ because each DP iteration only considers $O(\log N)$ candidate changepoints (the others — which will never be optimal — are pruned).

$$C_1(m_1)$$
 $C_2(m_2)$ ··· $C_{N-1}(m_{N-1})$ $C_N(m_N)$

Contribution of this work: a new algorithm that applies the functional pruning technique to the up-down constrained model.

Constrained optimal partitioning problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^N, \ \mathbf{s} \in \{0,1\}^N}{\text{minimize}} & \sum_{i=1}^N \ell(m_i, z_i) + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} I(c_i \neq 0) \\ & \mathbf{c} \in \{-1, 0, 1\}^{N-1} \end{aligned} & \text{no change: } c_t = 0 \Rightarrow m_t = m_{t+1} \text{ and } s_t = s_{t+1} \\ & \text{go up: } c_t = 1 \Rightarrow m_t \leq m_{t+1} \text{ and } (s_t, s_{t+1}) = (0, 1), \\ & \text{go down: } c_t = -1 \Rightarrow m_t \geq m_{t+1} \text{ and } (s_t, s_{t+1}) = (1, 0). \end{aligned}$$



Generalized Functional Pruning Optimal Partitioning (GFPOP) algorithm for up-down constrained model

Recursively compute two vectors of real-valued cost functions:

$$\overline{C}_1(m_1)$$
 \cdots $\overline{C}_N(m_N)$ optimal cost in peak state $s=1$ $\underline{C}_1(m_1)$ \cdots $\underline{C}_N(m_N)$ optimal cost in background state $s=0$

$$\overline{C}_{t+1}(\mu) = \ell(\mu, z_i) + \min\{\overline{C}_t(\mu), \underline{C}_t^{\leq}(\mu) + \lambda\},$$

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$$\underline{C}_t$$

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Not always faster

