Recent advances in supervised optimal changepoint detection

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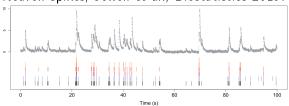
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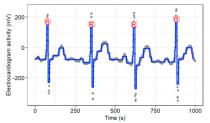
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Changepoint detection algorithms for data over time

Neuron spikes, Jewell et al., Biostatistics 2019.

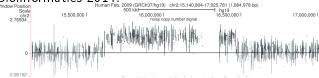


Electrocardiograms (heart monitoring), Fotoohinasab *et al.*, Asilomar conference 2020.

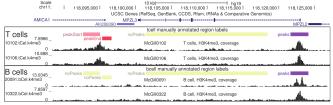


Changepoint detection algorithms for data over space

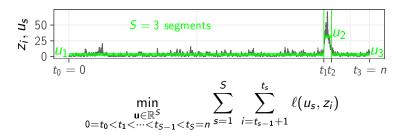
DNA copy number data for cancer diagnosis, Hocking et al., Bioinformatics 2014.



ChIP-seq data for understanding the human genome, Hocking *et al.*, Bioinformatics 2017.



Optimal changepoint detection problem and algorithms



- ▶ Algorithm inputs n data $z_1, ..., z_n$ and # of segments S.
- ▶ Goal is to compute best S-1 changepoints $t_1 < \cdots < t_{S-1}$ and S segment parameters u_1, \ldots, u_S .
- ▶ Hard non-convex optimization problem, naïvely $O(n^S)$ time.
- ▶ Auger and Lawrence 1989: $O(Sn^2)$ time algorithm.
- ▶ Rigaill 2015: $O(n \log n)$ time, change in any direction.
- ▶ Hocking et al., 2020: $O(n \log n)$, directional constraints.



Constrained optimization algorithm speed

Hocking et al., Journal of Machine Learning Research 2020.

$$\min_{\substack{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^S \\ 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{S-1} < t_S = n}} \sum_{s=1}^{S} \sum_{i=t_{s-1}+1}^{t_s} \ell(u_s, z_i)$$
subject to
$$u_{s-1} \le u_s \ \forall s \in \{2, 4, \dots\},$$

$$u_{s-1} \ge u_s \ \forall s \in \{3, 5, \dots\}.$$

Constraints used to force change up to peak state, then change down to background noise state.

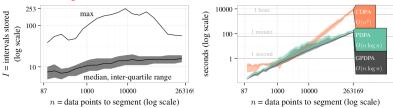
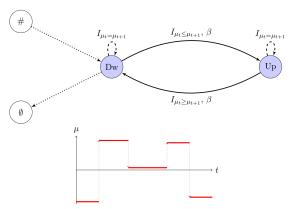


Figure 3: Empirical speed analysis on 2752 count data vectors from the histone mark ChIP-seq benchmark. For each vector we ran the GPDPA with the up-down constraint and a max of K=19 segments. The expected time complexity is O(KnI) where I is the average number of intervals (function pieces; candidate changepoints) stored in the $C_{k,t}$ cost functions. Left: number of intervals stored is $I=O(\log n)$ (median, inter-quartile range, and maximum over all data points t and segments k). Right: time complexity of the GPDPA is $O(n\log n)$ (median line and min/max band).

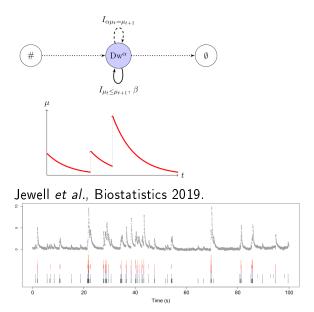
Optimization constraints defined using a graph

Runge et al., Pre-print arXiv:2002.03646 (graph figures).

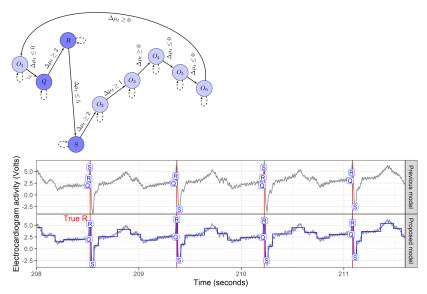


- ► Purple Dw/Up nodes represent hidden states.
- ► #/Ø nodes constrain start/end state.
- ► Edges represent possible state transitions.
- gfpop R package with C++ code computes optimal changepoints for user-defined constraint graphs.

All up changes, exponential decaying segments



Complex graph for electrocardiogram data



Fotoohinasab et al., Asilomar conference 2020.



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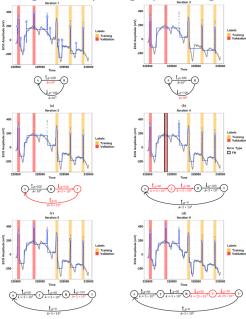
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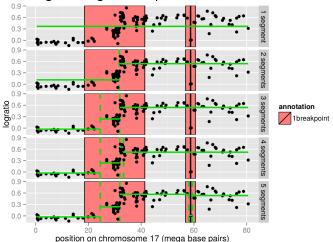
Learning a complex graph using labels



- Fotoohinasab *et* al., 2021.
- Simple initial graph is iteratively edited (red) to agree with expert labeled regions (orange rectangles).
- Easier for expert to provide labels than graph.

What if no models agree with expert labels?

Hocking and Rigaill, Pre-print hal-00759129.

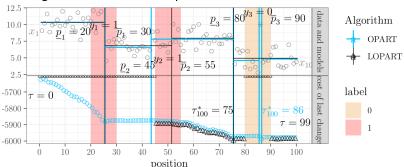


- Expert wants: one changepoint in each label (red rectangle).
- ▶ No model is consistent with all three labels.



Using expert labels as optimization constraints

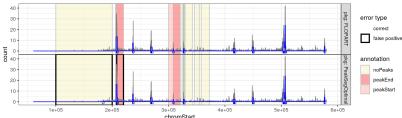
Hocking and Srivastava, Pre-print arXiv:2006.13967.



- Previous OPART model (blue) ignores labels (two errors).
- ► Main idea: add optimization constraints to ensure that there is the right number of changepoints predicted in each label.
- ▶ Proposed LOPART model (black) consistent with labels.

Label constraints and directional constraints

Stenberg and Hocking, in progress.



- Previous PeakSegOptimal algorithm (bottom) ignores labels (two errors).
- Proposed FLOPART model (top) consistent with labels, and interpretable in terms of up changes to peaks and down changes to background noise.

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How to predict the number of changes?

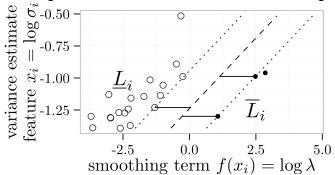
We assumed that the number of segments S is provided as an input parameter to our optimization algorithm.

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In practice S is often unknown — what value should we use?

Learning to predict number of changes similar to SVM

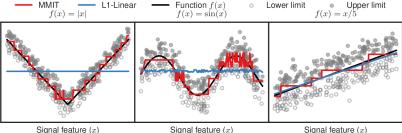
Hocking et al., Int'l Conference on Machine Learning 2013.



- Train on several data sequences with labels (dots).
- Want to compute function between white and black dots.
- ► SVM margin is multi-dimensional (diagonal).
- ▶ Here margin to maximize is one-dimensional (horizontal).
- Learned function predicts number of changepoints/segments.

Decision tree learns non-linear function of inputs





- Generalization of classical CART regression tree learning algorithm.
- Can learn non-linear functions of inputs.
- ► More recently we implemented a similar idea in xgboost, Barnwal *et al.*, Pre-print arXiv:2006.04920.

Is maximizing Area Under the ROC Curve desirable?

In binary classification the ROC curve is monotonic.

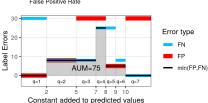
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False Positive Rate

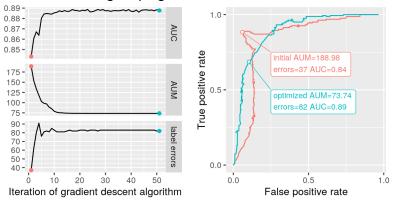
In changepoint detection it can have loops.

We propose instead to minimize the AUM = Area Under the Minimum of false positives and false negatives, as a function of prediction threshold.



AUM gradient descent algorithm optimizes AUC

Hillman and Hocking, in progress.



- Initial predictions: minimum label errors.
- ► ROC curves become more regular/monotonic after optimization, but label error increases.
- ► Trade-off between AUC and label error optimization that does not exist in binary classification.

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- Poptimal changepoint detection in n data is a non-convex problem, naïvely a $O(n^S)$ computation for S segments.
- Recent algorithms can compute a globally optimal changepoint model much faster, $O(n \log n)$.
- Directional constraint graphs specified using domain prior knowledge, or learned using expert labels.
- Expert labels can also be used as optimization constraints, to ensure that predicted changepoints are consistent.
- Number of changes can be predicted with new learning algorithms, including ROC curve optimization.
- Let's collaborate! toby.hocking@nau.edu