

**Hidden Markov models**

1. Let  $G_i^*$  denote the underlying phase-known genotypes, which we know to follow a Markov chain. (So the  $G_i$  at least form a hidden Markov model, where  $G_i|G_i^*$  is deterministic.)

We wish to show that

$$\Pr(G_{i+1} = g_{i+1} \mid G_1, \dots, G_{i-1}, G_i = g_i) = \Pr(G_{i+1} = g_{i+1} \mid G_i = g_i)$$

In the case that  $g_i = AA$  or  $BB$ , this is obvious, since then  $G_i \equiv G_i^*$  and  $G_{i+1}^*$  (and thus also  $G_{i+1}$ ) is conditionally independent of  $G_1, \dots, G_{i-1}$  given  $G_i^*$ .

I've found it difficult to prove this in general. I've convinced myself that it is true, but I've not found an easy way to show it. If you find a proof, please let me know. The key seems to be proving that

$$\Pr(G_i^* = g_i^* \mid G_1, \dots, G_{i-1}, G_i = g_i) = \Pr(G_i^* = g_i^* \mid G_i = g_i)$$

Of course, it's a simple matter to prove, by complete enumeration, that

$$\Pr(G_3 = g_3 \mid G_1 = g_1, G_2 = g_2) = \Pr(G_3 = g_3 \mid G_2 = g_2)$$

I think it's worth doing at least this.

2. I don't really feel like writing down the details for the Viterbi algorithm. If you have any questions about it, please ask me.