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MASTER OF BIO-MEDICAL ENGINEERING FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER - 2018

Subject: BIO-INFORMATICS

Time:

Full Marks : 50

Part I

Instructions: Answer separate answer-script for each Part.

1. Answer all questions: 1 X 10=10
 - i. The first bioinformatics database was created by
 - a) Richard Durbin b) Dayhoff
 - c) Steven Altschul d) David Lipman.
 - ii. Which of the following database can be used to access protein domain information?
 - a) Prosite b) DDBJ
 - c) SANGER d) KEGG.
 - iii. If you want literature information, what is the best website to visit?
 - a) OMIM b) Entrez
 - c) PubMed d) PROSITE.
 - iv. Which of the following is wrong about European Molecular Biology Laboratory Data Library Format?
 - a) EMBL maintains DNA and protein sequence databases
 - b) As with GenBank entries, a large amount of information describing each sequence entry is given
 - c) Sequence entry includes literature references and information about the function of the sequence, but not locations of mRNAs and coding regions
 - d) Information is organized into fields, each with an identifier, shown as the first text on each line
 - v. The format of an entry in the SwissProt protein sequence database is very similar to the EMBL format.
 - a) True
 - b) False
 - vi. According to standard amino acid code letters which of the given pair is not right?
 - a) K- lysine
 - b) Y- tyrosine
 - c) Q- glutamine
 - d) R- serine
 - vii. For computer analysis of proteins, it is more convenient to use single-letter than three letter amino acid codes.
 - a) True
 - b) False
 - viii. Investigators are encouraged to submit their newly obtained sequences directly to a member of the International Nucleotide Sequence Database Collaboration, such as the NCBI, DDBJ, and EMBL.
 - a) True
 - b) False
 - ix. What is the source of protein structures in SCOP and CATH?
 - a) Uniprot
 - b) Protein Data Bank
 - c) Ensemble
 - d) InterPro

- x. Which of the following is untrue about homology modeling?
- a) Homology modeling predicts protein structures based on sequence homology with known structures
 - b) It is also known as comparative modeling
 - c) The principle behind it is that if two proteins share a high enough sequence similarity, they are likely to have very similar three-dimensional structures
 - d) It doesn't involve the evolutionary distances anywhere

2. Answer any ten questions

2 X10 =20

- a) What are the major features of Uniprot?
- b) What is the rationale behind protein structure prediction?
- c) Define pharmacophore.
- d) What are the major strategies for target identification?
- e) Name any five docking programs.
- f) What do you mean by double blind approach in CASP?
- g) What is high throughput screening?
- h) Name the four classification systems in CATH.
- i) Define QSAR.
- j) What is secondary database? Give an example.
- k) Define bioinformatics.
- l) What is Ramachandran plot ?

3. Answer any four questions:

5 X 4=20

- a) What is virtual screening? How does it differ from high throughput screening?
- b) Discuss the various structure based drug design approaches.
- c) What are the major interatomic forces that determine protein structure?
- d) Discuss the major features of Protein Data Bank.
- e) Explain the Chou-Fasman method for protein secondary structure prediction.
- f) Outline the levels of organization of protein structure.

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Part – II

Full Marks – 50

Instructions: Use separate Answer scripts for each Part.

Answer any two questions in Part-II.

1. What are homologs and orthologs? Why local similarity is preferred over global similarity between any two protein strings? Explain how dot plot is useful for finding global and local similarities. 8+5+12 = 25
2. Compare PAM and BLOSSUM matrices. Given one sequence with 6R and 1M amino acids. Considering all RR, RM, MR and MM pairs, compute the expected probabilities E_{RR} and E_{RM} . Write a short note on Hidden Markov Model. 8+ 10+ 7=25
3. Describe Needleman-Wunsch algorithm. Write the table for two sequences -- TACTTA and ATCT following Needleman-Wunsch algorithm and show one alignment with net score for these sequences. Describe the difference between Needleman-Wunsch and Smith-Waterman approaches. 8+12+5=25