

## FLEXIDOT USAGE

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| Version:       | 1.01  |
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| General usage: | \$ python flexidot.py -a [ARGUMENTS]<br>\$ python flexidot.py -i <fasta_file_name> [ARGUMENTS]  |

### GENERAL...

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| -h, --help    | Help screen |
| -v, --verbose | Verbose     |

### INPUT/OUTPUT OPTIONS... required are [-a] OR [-i]

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| -a, --auto_fas           | Imports all fasta files from current directory (*.fasta, *.fas, *.fa, *.fna)<br>(if -a is called, -i is not necessary)                        |
| -i, --in_file            | Input fasta file (fasta file name or comma-separated file list)<br>> Provide multiple files: Recall -i or provide comma-separated file names) |
| -o, --output_file_prefix | File prefix to be added to the generated filenames<br>[default = NONE]  |
| -c, --collage_output     | Multiple dotplots are combined in a collage<br>Y or 1 = ON [default]<br>N or 0 = OFF  |
| -m, --m_col              | Number of columns per page (only if --collage_output=y)<br>[default = 4]  |
| -n, --n_row              | Number of rows per page (only if --collage_output=y)<br>[default = 5]   |
| -f, --filetype           | Output file format<br>0 = PNG [default]<br>1 = PDF<br>2 = SVG   |
| -s, --alphabetic_sorting | Sort sequences alphabetically according to titles<br>Y or 1 = ON<br>N or 0 = OFF [default]  |

### CALCULATION PARAMETERS...

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| -k, --wordsize           | Wordsize (kmer length) for dotplot comparison [default = 7]  |
| -p, --plotting_mode      | Mode of FlexiDot dotplotting<br>0 = self [default]<br>1 = paired<br>2 = poly (matrix with all-against-all dotplots)<br>> Run multiple plotting modes: Recall -p or provide comma-separated numbers |
| -t, --type_nuc           | Type of residue is nucleotide<br>Y or 1 = nucleotide [default]<br>N or 0 = amino acid  |
| -w, --wobble_conversion  | Ambiguity handling for relaxed matching<br>Y or 1 = ON<br>N or 0 = OFF [default]   |
| -S, --substitution_count | Number of substitutions (mismatches) allowed per window for relaxed matching<br>[default = 0]  |
| -r, --rc_option          | Find reverse complementary matches (only if type_nuc=y)<br>Y or 1 = ON [default]<br>N or 0 = OFF   |

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### GRAPHIC FORMATTING...

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| -A, --line_width     | Line width [default = 1]  |
| -B, --line_col_for   | Line color [default = black]  |
| -C, --line_col_rev   | Reverse line color [default = green]  |
| -D, --x_label_pos    | Position of the X-label<br>Y or 1 = top [default]<br>N or 0 = bottom  |
| -E, --label_size     | Font size [default = 10]  |
| -F, --spacing        | Spacing between all-against-all dotplots (only if --plotting_mode=2)<br>[default = 0.04]  |
| -P, --plot_size      | Plotsize [default = 10]   |
| -L, --length_scaling | Scale plot size for pairwise comparison (only if --plotting_mode=1)<br>Y or 1 = Scaling ON (axes scaled according to sequence length)<br>N or 0 = Scaling OFF (squared plots) [default] |
| -T, --title_length   | Limit title length for dotplot comparison (only if --plotting_mode=0)<br>[default = infinite]   |

### ANNOTATION SHADING (for -p/--plotting\_mode=0 only)...

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| -g, --input_gff_files       | GFF3 file used for markup in self-dotplots<br>(provide multiple files: Recall -g or provide comma-separated file names)                                       |
| -G, --gff_color_config_file | Tab-delimited config file for custom gff shading<br>column 1: feature type<br>column 2: color<br>column 3: alpha<br>column 4: zoom factor (for small regions) |

### LCS SHADING (for -p/--plotting\_mode=2 only)...

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| -x, --lcs_shading              | Shade subdotplot based on the length of the longest common substring (LCS)<br>Y or 1 = ON<br>N or 0 = OFF [default]   |
| -X, --lcs_shading_num          | Number of shading intervals (hues) for LCS (-x) and user matrix shading (-u)<br>[default = 5]   |
| -y, --lcs_shading_ref          | Reference for LCS shading<br>0 = maximal LCS length [default]<br>1 = maximally possible length (length of shorter sequence in pairwise comparison)<br>2 = given interval sizes - DNA [default 50 bp] or proteins [default 10 aa] - see -Y         |
| -Y, --lcs_shading_interval_len | Length of intervals for LCS shading (only if --lcs_shading_ref=2)<br>[default for nucleotides = 50; default for amino acids = 10]   |
| -z, --lcs_shading_ori          | Shade subdotplots according to LCS on<br>0 = forward [default],<br>1 = reverse, or<br>2 = both strands (forward shading above diagonal, reverse shading on diagonal and below; if --input_user_matrix_file used, best LCS is used below diagonal) |

### USER MATRIX SHADING (for -p/--plotting\_mode=2 only)...

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| -u, --input_user_matrix_file | Shading above diagonal according to values in matrix file specified by the user<br>(tab-delimited or comma-separated matrix with sequence name in column 1 and numbers in columns 2-n, e.g. identity matrix from sequence multiple alignment - strings are ignored) |
| -U, --user_matrix_print      | Display matrix entries in the fields above diagonal of all-against-all dotplots<br>Y or 1 = ON<br>N or 0 = OFF [default]  |