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## Assignment 1

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## 1 Question 1

- (a) **Gene:** Physical and functional unit structure of DNA  
**Protein:** Complex molecules made up of amino acids  
Genes are used to synthesize proteins  
Set of all chromosomes is called genome
- (b) **Gene Expression:** Process of producing RNA and Proteins  
Alternative splicing is the process of producing multiple versions of a protein from the same gene. It is important since it increases diversity
- (c) We align biomolecular sequences to detect similarities between these sequences. These similarities used to identify evolutionary, functional, or structural relations between them.
- (d) Scoring matrices allow us to consider chemical, physical, and evolutionary relationships between different pair of nucleotides or amino acids. Scores obtained by studying occurring frequencies. Numbers of BLOSUM matrices indicates how similar protein sequences used to obtain frequencies (e.g. BLOSUM62 obtained by using protein sequences with proteins with less than 62% similarity).
- (e) BLAST looks for known significant patterns in the sequences using local sequence alignment, while FASTA uses both local and global alignment consecutively. Thus BLAST works faster than FASTA.

## 2 Question 2

- (a) **Run command:**  
`python q2.py seq_file alignment_algorithm scoring_matrix_file gap_open gap_extend output_file`  
Note that output file is not necessary, and used to see partial scores table  
Aligned sequences will be printed onto command prompt
- (b) **Local output:**

```
LPVCGDIKVEFFHKQNKDKMFHFWNTFFI
|  |||  ||  ||  |  ||  ||||  |
LSLAGDIRIEFTNKQD-DRMFHFWNTSFV
Alignment score: 92.0
Identity value: 17/30 (56.7%)
```

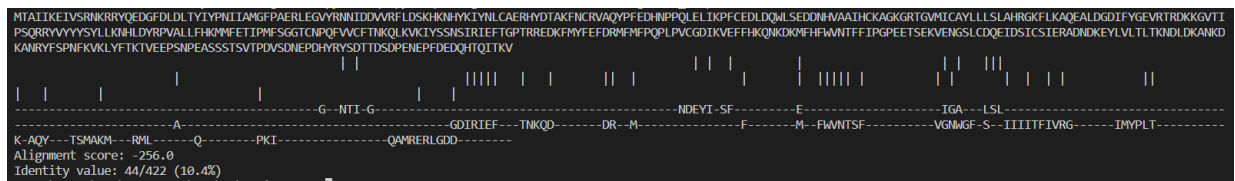
Figure 1: Local Alignment

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Note that global alignment with `blosum 62` given as a separate file for easier grading

- ```
PS C:\Users\usr\Documents\python\assignment> python q2.py seq.txt local PAM70.txt -10 -1 global_output.txt
PLPVGCDIKVEFFHKQNKDKMFHWNTFFI
|   |||  ||  ||  ||  |||||  |
ALSAGDIRIEFTNKQD-DRMFMFVWNTSFV
Alignment score: 107.0
Identity value: 17/31 (54.8%)
```

PAM70 Global Alignment Open Penalty = -10 Extend Penalty = -1:



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**BLOSUM62 Local Alignment Open Penalty = -11 Extend Penalty = -1:**

```
PS C:\Users\usr\Documents\Python\assignment> python q2.py seq.txt local BLOSUM62.txt -11 -1 global_output.txt
GPTRREDKFMFYEFDRMFMPQPLPVCEDIKVEFFHKQNKDKMFHFwWNTFFI
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
GNTIGNDEYISFEIG-----ALSLAGDIRIEFTNKQD-DRMFMFwWNTSFV
Alignment score: 96.0
Identity value: 22/53 (41.5%)
```

Figure 5: BLOSUM62 Local Alignment

**BLOSUM62 Global Alignment Open Penalty = -11 Extend Penalty = -1:**

```
PS C:\Users\usr\Documents\Python\assignment> python q2.py seq.txt global BLOSUM62.txt -11 -1 global_output.txt
MTAIIKEIVSRNRRYQEDGFDLITYIPNIIAMGPAERLEGVVRNIDVVRFLDSKHKNHYKIYMLCAERHYDTAKFNCRVAQYPFEDHNPQLELIKPFCELDQNLSEDDNHVAATHCKAGKGRGVMICAYLLLSLAHRGKFLKAQEAALGDIFYGEVTRTRKKGVTI
PSQRRVYVYVSYLLKNHLDYRPAVALLFHKKMFETIPMFSGGTCHPOFVVCFTNKQLKVKIYSSNSIRIEFTGPTRREDKFMFYEFDRMFMPQPLPVCEDIKVEFFHKQNKDKMFHFwWNTFFIPGPEETSEKVENGLCDQEIDSCSITERADNDKEYLVLTLTKNDLKDANKD
KANRYFSNMFVKVLYFTKTVPEEPSNPEASSSTSVTPDVSNDNEPDHYRYSOTTDSDPENEPFEDQHTQITKV
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
-----GNTIGNDEYISFEIG-----ALSLAGDIRIEFTNKQD-DRMFMFw-----V-----N-----T-----
----SFVGMGFSIIITTFIVRGIMYPLTKAQYTSMAKM-----RMLQPKIQAMRERLGDD
Alignment score: -275.0
Identity value: 24/422 (5.7%)
PS C:\Users\usr\Documents\Python\assignment>
```

Figure 6: BLOSUM62 Global Alignment

As one can see, using different scoring matrix and different gap penalties will give us different results. Thus choosing right scoring matrix and gap penalties is important to determine relations between sequences.

### 3 Question 3

(a)

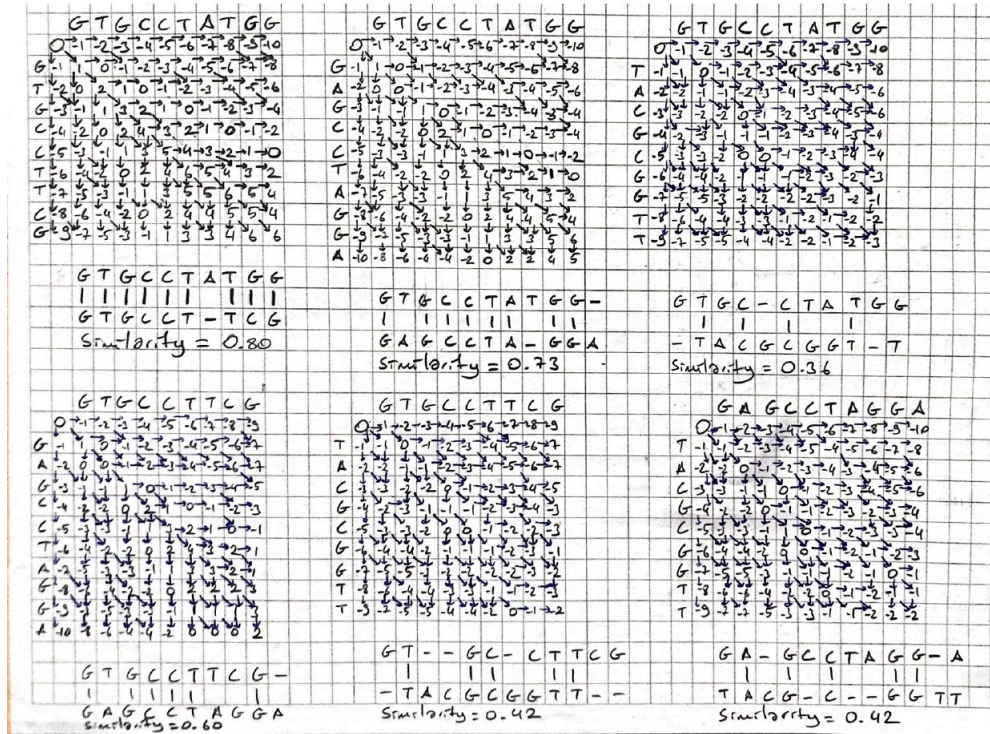


Figure 7: Partial Scores Table

(b)

|    | s1 | s2 | s3  | s4  |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| s1 | -  | .8 | .73 | .36 |
| s2 |    | -  | .6  | .42 |
| s3 |    |    | -   | .42 |
| s4 |    |    |     | -   |

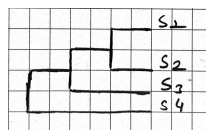


Figure 8: Guide Tree

GTGCCTATGG-  
 GTGCCT-TCG-  
 GAGCCTA-GGA  
 TACGCG--GTT

(c)  $0 + 0 + 0 + 6 + 0 + 0 - 4 - 3 + 0 + 0 - 5 = -6$

(d)  $\therefore * \therefore \quad \therefore$

- (e) Mouse is the most similar one to human, since it has the highest similarity score to human.  
 Using another gene can change the results.

## References

PAM70 Scoring Matrix