

# Bioinformatics - 16/01/2025

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## 1 Antibiotic:

A mini protein/ peptide / short string of amino acids which can kill a bacterium

## 2 Reverse Complement

```
from Bio.Seq import Seq
```

```
dna = Seq("ATGCCGTA")
print(f"Reverse Complement: {dna.reverse_complement()}")
```

## 3 Peptide/ anti-biotic sequencing

### 1. Replication:

- Initiation
- Elongation
- Termination

### 2. Transcription:

- DNA  $\Rightarrow$  RNA
- It's basically replacing T (Thymine) with U (Uracil)
- To do it in Biopython:

```
from Bio.Seq import Seq
seq = Seq("AGTACACTGGT")
seq_transcribed = seq.transcribe()
print(f"Original: {seq}\nTranscribed: {seq_transcribed}")
```

### 3. Translation

- RNA  $\Rightarrow$  Protein
- Take 3 Nucleotides (A, U, G, C) at a time
- **Codon**: A triplet of nucleotides

Number of Codons:  $4^3 = 64$

Number of Amino Acids: 20

- Codons **code** for an amino acid. In other word, a codon is an encoding of an amino acid.
- A single amino acid can have multiple codons coding for it.
- **Stop Codons**:

UAA   UAG   UGA

These basically code to stop translation.

- To do it in Biopython:

```

from Bio.Seq import Seq
seq = Seq("AGTACACTGGTG")
seq_translated = seq.translate()
print(f"Original: {seq}\nTranslated: {seq_translated}")

```

## 4 NRP Synthetase

1. Stands for Nonribosomal Peptide
2. Adds one amino acid at a time.

## 5 Measure of Molecular weight

1. 1 Dalton (Da) = mass of a proton/ neutron
2. Mass of the molecule = sum of all the protons
3. Here's how you do it in biopython

```

from Bio.SeqUtils.ProtParam import ProteinAnalysis
analysis = ProteinAnalysis("VKLFPWFNQY")
mass = analysis.molecular_weight()
print(f"Mass: {mass}")

```

1. Table of the weights of amino acids:

G	A	S	P	V	T	C	I/L	N	D	K/Q	E	M	H	F	R	Y	W
57	71	87	97	99	101	103	113	114	115	128	129	131	137	147	156	163	186

We have **20 amino acids**, but only **18 integer masses**.

## 6 Isoelectric point

- It's the pH where a molecule has 0 electric charge
- Code to find it in biopython:

```

from Bio.SeqUtils.ProtParam import ProteinAnalysis

analysis = ProteinAnalysis("VKLFPWFNQY")
isoelectric_point = analysis.isoelectric_point()
print(isoelectric_point)

```

## 7 Other stuff you can with ProteinAnalysis

### 7.1 Amino Acid Composition

```
from Bio.SeqUtils.ProtParam import ProteinAnalysis
dna = ProteinAnalysis("ATGCCGTA")

print(dna.count_amino_acids())
```

### 7.2 Aromaticity

```
from Bio.SeqUtils.ProtParam import ProteinAnalysis

dna = ProteinAnalysis("ATGCCGTA")
print(dna.aromaticity())
```

## 8 Mass Spectrometer

It's a tool used to produce a mass spectrum.

### 8.1 Theoretical Spectrum: Mass of every possible subpeptide, plus 0 and the mass of the peptide

eg. Peptide Given = LNEQ Spectrum:

L	N	Q	E	LN	NQ	EL	QE	LNQ	ELN	QEL	NQE	LNQE
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

So you're given with something like [0, 97, 99, ... 497].

### 8.2 Noisy Spectra

- **False mass:** Present in Experimental Spectrum, missing in theoretical spectrum
- **Missing mass:** Present in theoretical spectrum, missing in experimental spectrum
- **Score:** Number of masses common in both spectra.

## 9 Cyclopeptide Sequencing problem:

Given a theoretical spectrum, find out the peptide.

### 9.1 Brute Force Cyclopeptide Sequencing:

- The mass of the entire peptide is usually known.
- Algorithm:
  1. Generate all peptides with given mass.

- Say it's 1322. Find all 1-mers, 2-mers, 3-mers ... k-mers that sum up to 1322
  - 2. Form the theoretical spectrum for each and every k-mer you generated
  - 3. Look for matches with given spectrum.
- You may not get the old peptide back, because there can be different amino acids with the same mass, and moreover, you can have different **combinations** of amino acids with same mass of the original peptide.

## 9.2 Branch-and-Bound Algorithms

Say this was the spectrum given:

0	97	97	99	101	103	196	198	198	200	202	295	297	299	299	301	394	396	398	400	400
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1. Find the amino acids whose weights lie in the spectrum.

G	A	S	P	V	T	C	I/L	N	D	K/Q	E	M	H	F	R	Y	W
57	71	87	97	99	101	103	113	114	115	128	129	131	137	147	156	163	186

(Let's take the first 4 1-mers)

P  
V  
T  
C

1. Now make all 2-mers out of these 4 1-mers. Basically add all 18 amino acids to each 1-mer

PG	PA	PS	PP	PV	PT	PC	PI/PL	PN	PD	PK/PQ	PE	PM	PH	PF	PR	PY	PW
VG	VA	VS	VP	VV	VT	VC	VI/VL	VN	VD	VK/VQ	VE	VM	VH	VF	VR	VY	VW
TG	TA	TS	TP	TV	TT	TC	TI/TL	TN	TD	TK/TQ	TE	TM	TH	TF	TR	TY	TW
CG	CA	CS	CP	CV	CC	CC	CI/CL	CN	CD	CK/CQ	CE	CM	CH	CF	CR	CY	CW

1. In each of these 2-mers, find which lie in the given spectrum

PG	PA	PS	PP	<b>PV</b>	<b>PT</b>	<b>PC</b>	PI/PL	PN	PD	PK/PQ	PE	PM	PH	PF	PR	PY	PW
VG	VA	VS	VP	VV	VT	VC	VI/VL	VN	VD	VK/VQ	VE	VM	VH	VF	VR	VY	VW
TG	TA	TS	TP	TV	TT	TC	TI/TL	TN	TD	TK/TQ	TE	TM	TH	TF	TR	TY	TW
CG	CA	CS	CP	CV	CC	CC	CI/CL	CN	CD	CK/CQ	CE	CM	CH	CF	CR	CY	CW

And now we have:

PV  
PT  
PC

1. Now make all 3-mers out of these 3 2-mers. Basically add all 18 amino acids to each 2-mer

PVG	PVA	PVS	PVP	PVV	PVT	PVC	PVI/PVL	PVN	PVD	PVK/PVQ	PVE	PVM	PVH
PTG	PTA	PTS	PTP	PTV	PTT	PTC	PTI/PTL	PTN	PTD	PTK/PTQ	PTE	PTM	PTH
PCG	PCA	PCS	PCP	PCV	PCT	PCC	PCI/PCL	PCN	PCD	PCK/PCQ	PCE	PCM	PCH

1. In each of these 3-mers, find which lie in the given spectrum

PVG	PVA	PVS	PVP	<b>PVV</b>	PVT	PVC	PVI/PVL	PVN	PVD	PVK/PVQ	PVE	PVM	PVH
PTG	PTA	PTS	PTP	PTV	PTT	PTC	PTI/PTL	PTN	PTD	PTK/PTQ	PTE	PTM	PTH
PCG	PCA	PCS	PCP	PCV	PCT	PCC	PCI/PCL	PCN	PCD	PCK/PCQ	PCE	PCM	PCH

### 9.3 Leaderboard Cyclopeptide Sequencing

( work in progress )

## 10 Sequence Alignment

### 10.1 Why Align Sequences?

- You can establish the following relationships:

1. Functional Relationship
2. Structural Relationship
3. Evolutionary Relationship

### 10.2 Types of Alignment

#### 10.2.1 Global Alignment

1. What it is

- Align all letters from query and target
- Sequence must be closely related/similar
- Example: **Needleman-Wunsch**

2. How it works

(a) Initialization

- Say we have two sequences *ATGCT* and *AGCT*
- Among these two sequences, if the lengths of the sequences are  $m$  and  $n$ , then make a matrix of size  $(m + 1) \times (n + 1)$

A T G C T

A  
G  
C  
T

(b) Matrix Filling

Fill the matrix such that

- 1 = Match (added to diagonal element only)
- -1 = Mismatch (added to diagonal element only)
- -2 = Gap

	A	T	G	C	T
0	-2	-4	-6	-8	-10
A	-2				
G	-4				
C	-6				
T	-8				

- For top/left element you add -2, and for the immediate top-left diagonal element, you add +1 depending on if it's a match or not
- The final value of the element, would be the maximum of whatever you find

	A	T	G	C	T
0	-2	-4	-6	-8	-10
A	-2	1	-1	-3	-5
G	-4	-1	0	0	-2
C	-6	-3	-2	-1	1
T	-8	-5	-2	-3	-1

(c) Trackback

You basically move from the bottom-right corner to the top-left corner. You can do this in 3 ways, and 'moving' means swapping the numbers

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3. Another example, where penalties are different

- 1 = Match (added to diagonal element only)
- -1 = Mismatch (added to diagonal element only)
- -1 = Gap

	C	G	T	G	A	A	T	T	C	A	T
0	-2	-4	-6	-8	-10	-12	-14	-16	-18	-20	-22
G	-2										
A	-4										
C	-6										
T	-8										
T	-10										
A	-12										
C	-14										

4. Code in biopython

```
from Bio import pairwise2

# Given DNA sequences
seq1 = "ATGCTAGC"
seq2 = "ATGCTAGCTAGC"
```

```

# Scoring parameters
match = 1
mismatch = -1
gap_open = -2
gap_extend = -2

# Perform global alignment
alignments = pairwise2.align.globalms(seq1, seq2, match, mismatch, gap_open, gap_extend)

# Print best alignment and score
print(pairwise2.format_alignment(*alignments[0]))

```

- (a) `from Bio import pairwise2`
- (b) `pairwise2.align.globalms()`
- (c) `pairwise2.format_alignment(*alignments[0])`

### 10.2.2 Local Alignment

- Align only the regions with higher similarity i.e. you align only substrings
- This is suitable for more divergent sequences
- Example: **Smith-Waterman**

1. What is is
2. How it works

- (a) Initialization

	A	T	G	C	T
	0	0	0	0	0
A	0				
G	0				
C	0				
T	0				

- (b) Matrix filling

- Fill the matrix such that
  - 1 = Match (added to diagonal element only)
  - -1 = Mismatch (added to diagonal element only)
  - -2 = Gap
- But the catch is that if you get a negative value, you make it zero. That's why the initialization is all zeroes. (It was -2, -4, etc..., but negative values are truncated to 0)

	A	T	G	C	T
	0	0	0	0	0
A	0	1	0	0	0
G	0	0	0	1	0
C	0	0	0	0	2
T	0	0	1	0	3



(a) Traceback

	A	T	G	C	T
	0	0	0	0	0
A	0	1	0	0	0
G	0	0	0	1	0
C	0	0	0	0	2
T	0	0	1	0	3

3. Another example

	G	A	A	T	T	C	A	T
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
C	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
T	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
C	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
A	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	3
T	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	4
G	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

4. Code in biopython

```
from Bio import pairwise2

# Given DNA sequences
seq1 = "TGTGACTA"
seq2 = "CATGGTCA"

# Scoring parameters
match = 1
mismatch = -1
gap_open = -2
gap_extend = -2

# Perform local alignment (Smith-Waterman Algorithm)
alignments = pairwise2.align.localms(seq1, seq2, match, mismatch, gap_open, gap_extend)

# Print best local alignment and score
print(pairwise2.format_alignment(*alignments[0]))
```