Fall 2013 CMSC 423: MidTerm1 H. Corrada Bravo

Time: 1 Hour, 15 Minutes

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## Multiple-choice Problems (Answer THE BEST CHOICE in the Table of the First Page and NOT HERE):

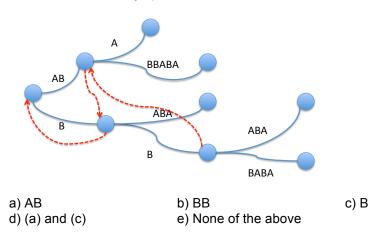
**Problem 1.** (5 points) Assuming Z-values  $Z_2, ..., Z_8$  are already computed, how many character comparisons are required to compute  $Z_9$  for string S=ACCACTACCAG by the linear time Z-algorithm discussed in class?

- a) 0
- b) 3
- c) 1
- d) 9
- e) 4

**Problem 2. (3 points)** In which of the following situations would you use an algorithm like KMP or Boyer-Moore instead of a suffix tree?

- a) There is no situation in which a suffix tree is not preferred
- b) Matching many short patterns to a single long target
- c) Matching many short patterns to many long distinct targets
- d) (b) and (c)
- e) None of the above

**Problem 3. (5 points)** Which nodes in the following suffix tree for string S=ABBBABA have their suffix links incorrectly specified?



**Problem 4. (2 points)** Which of these best represents the relationship between genotype and phenotype?

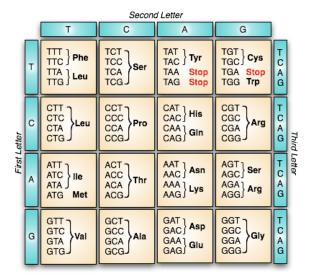
- a) there is no relationship between genotype and phenotype
- b) an individual's phenotype completely determines their genotype
- c) an individual's genotype completely determines their phenotype
- d) an individual's phenotype partially determines their genotype
- e) none of the above

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a) 3 d) 0	b) 8 e) 4	c) 2				
Problem 6. (2 points) gene regulation?	Which of the following term	ms is <i>not</i> associated v	with epigenetic mechanisms of			
a) Chromatin conformation b) DNA Methylation c) Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP)						
	d) Histone Modification	e) No	ne of the above			
Problem 7. (2 points) Which of the following resources does not contain high-throughput sequencing data from population experiments:						
a) KEGG	Database	b) 1000 genomes	project			
c) Shor	t Read Archive	d) (a) and (b)	e) all of the above			
Problem 8. (2 points)	What is an open reading fra	me (ORF)?				
a) any translatab	le sequence of nucleotides					
b) any sequence of codons						
c) a long enough sequence of aminoacids						
d) a long enough sequence of codons without an intervening stop codon						
e) None of the above						
Problem 9. (2 points) Which of the following terms is <i>not</i> associated with chromatin.						
a)	nucleosome	b) tRNA c)	histone proteins			
	d) (a) and (b)	e) None of the	e above			
Problem 10. (2 points) Which of the following are examples of sequence mutations?						
a) Singl	e Nucleotide Polymorphism	(SNP) b) inserti	on c) inversion			
	d) (a) and (b)	e) None of th	e above			

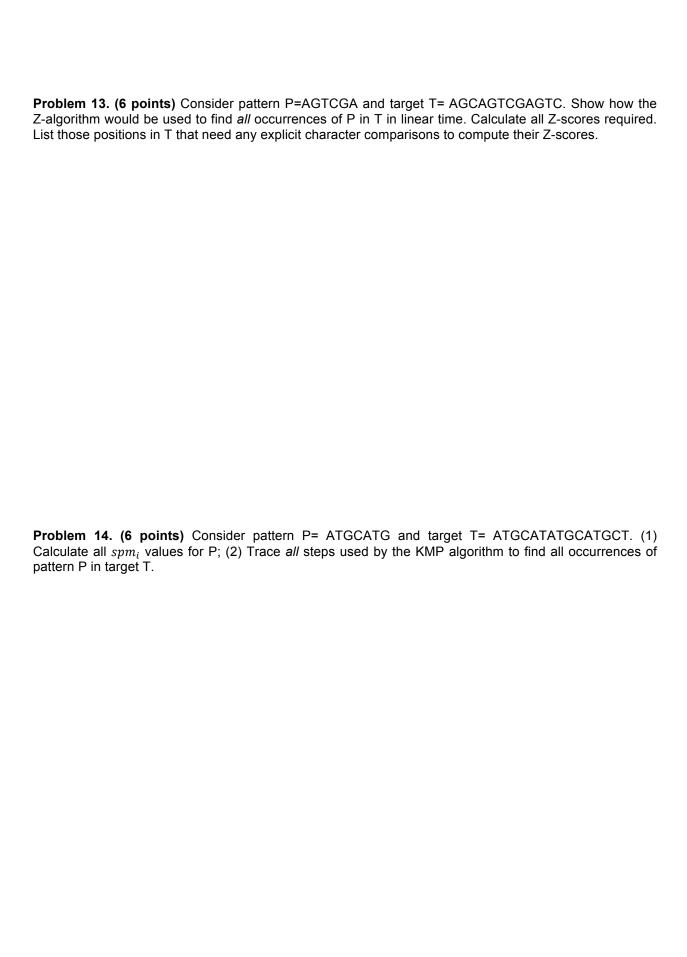
## Short Questions (show all derivations as appropriate for full credit):

**Problem 11. (6 points)** (You can refer to the genetic code figure below). Consider nucleotide sequence S=...CGCATATGAACAAGA...

- (a) How many completely *open reading frames* (ORFs) are there in this sequence (only considering forward strand)
- (b) Write down the aminoacid sequence resulting from translation of one ORF (specify which).
- (c) Specify a synonymous nucleotide substitution in this ORF, i.e., does not change aminoacid sequence.
- (d) Specify a non-synonymous nucleotide substitution in this ORF.
- (e) Specify a substitution that closes this ORF; write down the resulting aminoacid sequence.



**Problem 12. (6 points)** Provide a definition of *reproducible data analysis*. Discuss its importance in experimental computational biology. Mention computational tools that can help ensure data analyses are reproducible.



**Problem 15. (6 points).** We showed in class that the worst-case space complexity of suffix *tries* is  $O(n^2)$ , where n is the size of the string. Discuss the two tricks used to turn a suffix trie to a suffix tree so that only linear space is used in the worst case. Sketch a proof that only linear space is required.

## Long Questions (you should always PROVE THE CORRECTNESS of your solutions)

**Problem 16. (10 points) Prefix-Suffix matching.** Give an algorithm that takes two strings  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , and finds the longest suffix of  $\alpha$  that matches a prefix of  $\beta$ . The algorithm should run in time  $O(|\alpha| + |\beta|)$ .

**Problem 17 (15 points)** Use a suffix trie to solve the following problem in linear time: Find the longest common substring of strings S and T. Show that your algorithm runs in linear time.

**Problem 18. (20 points)** Suppose you are given a *dictionary D* of strings  $s_1, ..., s_k$ . Define language L as the set of strings that can be generated by concatenating two or more strings in D. We are interested in determining if D is a *minimal*, that is, no subset of strings  $s_1, ..., s_k$  completely generate language L. You can use keyword trees to address this question

- (1). Write an algorithm using a keyword tree to determine if dictionary *D* is minimal. *Hint: use a keyword tree to determine if a string in D can be generated by concatenating two or more other strings in D.*
- (2). Write an algorithm using keyword trees to find a minimal subset of D.
- (3). (Extra Credit 5 points) Answer the two questions above using linear time algorithms. You can assume there exists a linear time algorithm to construct a keyword tree. You are free to extend the data structure as long as your extensions can be constructed along with a failure link.