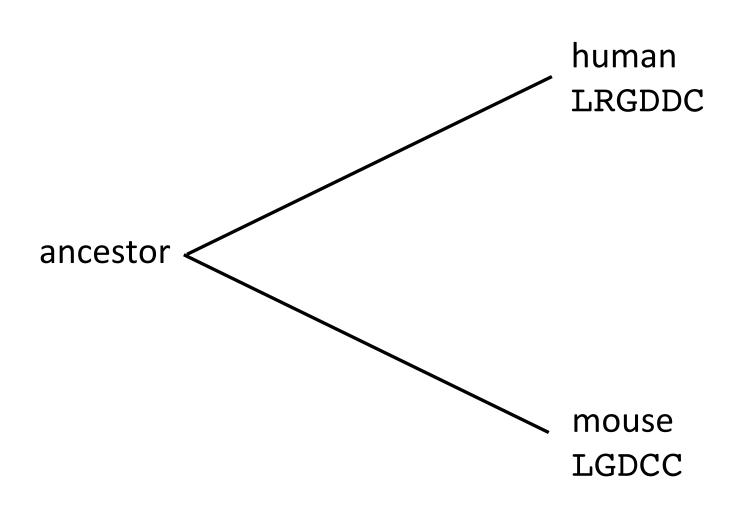
Sequence alignments

Genetic sequences change over time



Relationship between original and final sequence:

In practice: we only know sequences from extant organisms



We need to align these sequences to compare them

human LRGDDC mouse

LGDCC

LRGDDC

LRGDDC-

LRGDDC

L-GDCC

L-GD-CC

-LGDCC

Which alignment is correct?

We need to score an alignment

Example:

• match =
$$+1$$

mismatch = -1

•
$$gap = 0$$

score =
$$1+0+1+1+0+1+0$$

score = 1+0+1+1-1+1

= 3

score =
$$0-1+1+1-1+1$$

We need to score an alignment

Example:

- match = +1
- mismatch = -1
- gap = -2

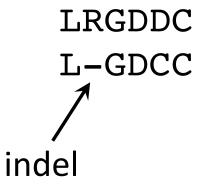
LRGDDC- score =
$$1-2+1+1-2+1-2$$

L-GD-CC

We often score by amino-acid similarity

```
Ala
Arg
                                              BLOSUM62 Matrix
Asn
Asp
                                                score = \log \frac{p_{ij}}{}
Cys
Gln
                                                                p_i p_i
Glu
Gly
His
lle
        -3 -3 -3
Leu
Lys
Met
Phe
Pro
Ser
Thr
Trp
                                -3 2 -1 -1 -2
Tyr
                            - 2
Val
        -3 -3 -3 -1 -2 -2 -3 -3 3 1
                                               - 2
    Ala Arg Asn Asp Cys Gln Glu Gly His Ile Leu Lys Met Phe Pro Ser Thr Trp Tyr Val
```

Gaps in alignments are called "indels"



Can you guess why?

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	-	G	С	A	Т
_					
G					
Α					
Т					

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Alignment:

_

_

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-G

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	_	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2		
G					
Α					
Т					

Alignment:

-GC

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	1	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
G					
Α					
Т					

Alignment:

-GCAT

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	-	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1				
Α					
Т					

Alignment:

-G

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	_	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1				
Α	-2				
Т	-3				

Alignment:

-GAT

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	_	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1	٠-			
Α	-2				
Т	-3				

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	_	G	С	A	Т
_	0	▲ -1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1	0			
Α	-2				
T	-3				

Alignment:

$$-G-$$

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	_	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1 *	0			
Α	-2				
Т	-3				

Alignment:

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

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Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	_	G	С	A	Т
_	0 🖟	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1	1			
Α	-2				
Т	-3				

Alignment:

-G

-G

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	_	G	С	A	Т
_	0 🖟	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1	1	0		
Α	-2				
Т	-3				

Alignment:

-GC

-G-

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	ı	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1	\ 1 *	- 0 <	- -1	-2
Α	-2	V 0 K	^ 0 <	- 1 *	-1
Т	-3	-1	-1	0	2

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	ı	G	С	A	Т
_	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
G	-1	1	* O	-1	-2
Α	-2	0	0 *	1 1	-1
Т	-3	-1	-1	0	2

Alignment:

-GCAT

-G-AT

Now try on your own

Align ATGCU and ATTACA

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	ı	A	Т	Т	A	С	A
_							
A							
Т							
G							
С							
U							

Multiple sequence alignment (MSA)

```
B9SI54 | B9SI54_RICCO_263_570
Q01I60 | Q01I60_ORYSA_160_476
C5Y8S2 | C5Y8S2_SORBI_153_466
B4FRR6 | B4FRR6_MAIZE_154_469
D7U4G4 | D7U4G4_VITVI_82_394
D7M270 | D7M270_ARALY_263_574
Q8L7Q7 | PME64_ARATH_283_601
D8QSM2 | D8QSM2_SELML_242_541
A9TZ89 | A9TZ89_PHYPA_262_575
D8SH72 | D8SH72_SELML_209_529
```

```
----DAVVAAD-----GSGQFKTIGEALNSYKLNTK--GWYVIYVKAGVYNEHVFIS
--TLRAHATVCNASPSATTQRCDYSTVQAAIDAAPNHTA--GHFVIKVAAGIYKENVVIP
---IRPDATVCK--PNSGAEPCGYSTVQAAVDAAPNYTA--GHFVIAVAAGTYKENIVIP
---IRPDATVCK--PNSGVKPCGYSTVQAAVDAAPNHTAGAGHFAIAVGAGTYKENVVIP
--SPQPNATVCKG-----GDGCYKTVQEAVNAAPDNDS-SRKFVIRIQEGVYEETVRVP
-SGLKEDVTVCKD-----GKCGYKTVQDAVNAAPEDNG-MRKFVIRISEGVYEENVIVP
-SGLTEDVTVCKN----GGKDCKYKTVQEAVDSAPDTNR-TVKFVIRIREGVYEETVRVP
----SVV------VGKSGSFKTIQEAIDSAPSNSK--ERFSIYIQEGIYDERIYVS
----SPSVTVDI------YSAFSSIQRAVDLAPDWST--QRYVIYIKTGVYNEVVRIP
ASLISPSAIVSRT--PDQPQLTIFTSIQAAVDHAPNHCT--ARYVIYIKAGVYAENVRIP
```

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B9SI54 | B9SI54_RICCO_263_570
Q01I60 | Q01I60_ORYSA_160_476
C5Y8S2 | C5Y8S2_SORBI_153_466
B4FRR6 | B4FRR6_MAIZE_154_469
D7U4G4 | D7U4G4_VITVI_82_394
D7M270 | D7M270_ARALY_263_574
Q8L7Q7 | PME64_ARATH_283_601
D8QSM2 | D8QSM2_SELML_242_541
A9TZ89 | A9TZ89_PHYPA_262_575
D8SH72 | D8SH72_SELML_209_529
```

```
RILTNVYMYGDGIDRTIISGSKHTM-DGLPAYRTATVAVLGDGFVCKSMTIQNSATSD-K
YEKTNILLVGDGIGATVITASRSVGIDGIGTYETATVAVIGDGFRAKDITFENGAGAGAH
YEKTNILLMGEGMGATVITASRSVGIDGLGTHETATVAVIGDGFRARDITFENSAGARAH
YEKANILLMGEGMGATVITASRSVGIDGLGTYETATVDVIGDGFRARDITFENSAGAGAH
LEKKNVVFLGDGMGKTVITGSLNVGQPGISTYNSATVGVAGDGFMASGLTMENTAGPDEH
FEKKNVVFIGDGMGKTVITGSLNAGMPGITTYNTATVGVVGDGFMAHDLTFQNTAGPDAH
FEKKNVVFIGDGMGKTVITGSLNVGQPGMTTFESATVGVLGDGFMARDLTIENTAGADAH
DSKSMIMLVGAGARKTIISGNNYVR-EGVTTMDTATVLVAGDGFVARDLTIRNTAGPELH
KQKTNLMFLGDGTDKTIITGSLSDSQPGMITWATATVAVSGSGFIARGITFQNTAGPAGR
LQKSMLMFVGDGMDKTIIRGSMSVSKGGTTTFASATLAVNGKGFLARDLTVENTAGPEGH
```

Software to generate MSAs

- MAFFT
 (very good, very fast)
 http://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/software/
- Clustal Omega (very good, very fast) http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/clustalo/
- PRANK
 (extremely good, very slow)
 http://wasabiapp.org/software/prank/