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Multiple Sequence Alignment using Particle Swarm Optimization

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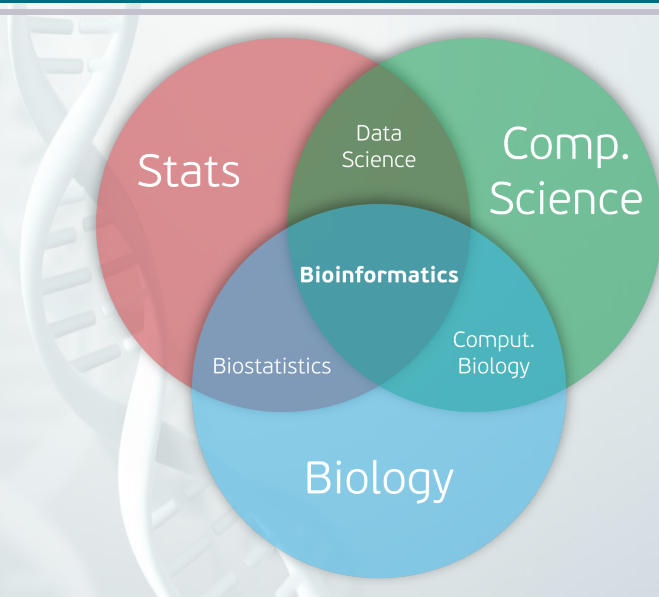
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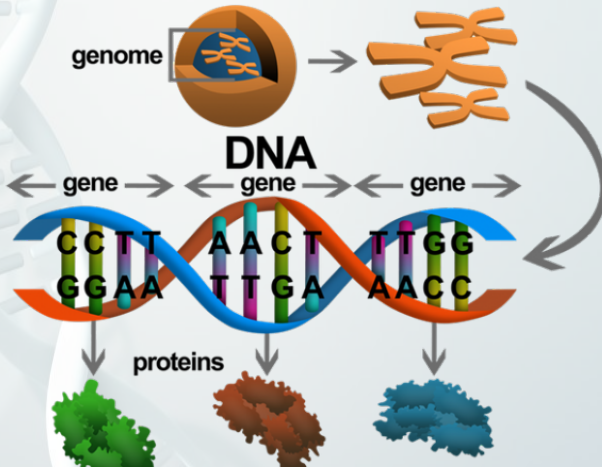


Bioinformatics

What is Bioinformatics?



According to Luscombe et al.: **Bioinformatics** involves the technology that uses computers for storage, retrieval, manipulation, and distribution of information related to biological macromolecules such as DNA, RNA, and proteins [1].



Bioinformatics

Example of DNA sequence



```
>J01859.1 Escherichia coli 16S ribosomal RNA, complete sequence
AAATTGAAGAGTTTGTATCATGGCTCAGATTGAACGCTGGCGGCAGGCCTAACACATGCAAGTCGAACGGT
AACAGGAAGAAGCTTGCTCTTTGTCTGACGAGTGGCGGACGGGTGAGTAATGTCTGGGAACTGCCTGATG
GAGGGGGATAACTACTGGAAACGGTAGCTAATACCGCATAACGTCGCAAGACCAAGAGGGGGACCTTCG
GGCCTCTTGCCATCGGATGTGCCAGATGGGATTAGCTAGTAGGTGGGGTAACGGCTCACCTAGGCGACG
ATCCCTAGCTGGTCTGAGAGGATGACCAGCCACACTGGAACAGAGACACGGTCCAGACTCCTACGGGAGG
CAGCAGTGGGGAATATTGCACAATGGGCGCAAGCCTGATGCAGCCATGCCGCGTGTATGAAGAAGGCCTT
CGGGTTGTAAAGTACTTTTCAGCGGGGAGGAAGGGAGTAAAGTTAATACCTTTGCTCATTGACGTTACCCG
CAGAAGAAGCACCGGCTAACTCCGTGCCAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGGAGGGTGCAAGCGTTAATCGGAAT
TACTGGGCGTAAAGCGCACGAGGCGGTTTGTAAAGTCAGATGTGAAATCCCCGGGCTCAACCTGGGAAC
TGCATCTGATACTGGCAAGCTTGAGTCTCGTAGAGGGGGGTAGAATCCAGGTGTAGCGGTGAAATGCGT
AGAGATCTGGAGGAATACCGGTGGCGAAGGCGGCCCCCTGGACGAAGACTGACGCTCAGGTGCGAAAGCG
TGGGGAGCAAACAGGATTAGATACCCTGGTAGTCCACGCCGTAAACGATGTCGACTTGGAGTTGTGCC
TTGAGGCGTGGCTTCCGGAGCTAACGCGTTAAGTCGACCGCTGGGGAGTACGGCCGCAAGGTTAAACT
CAAATGAATTGACGGGGGCCCGCACAAAGCGGTGGAGCATGTGGTTTAATTCGATGCAACGCGAAGAACCT
TACCTGGTCTTGACATCCACGGAAGTTTTTTCAGAGATGAGAATGTGCCTTCGGGAACCGTGAGACAGGTGC
TGCATGGCTGTCGTGAGCTCGTGTTGTGAAATGTTGGGTTAAGTCCCGCAACGAGCGCAACCCCTTATCCT
TTGTTGCCAGCGTCCGGCCGGGAACCTCAAAGGAGACTGCCAGTGATAAACTGGAGGAAGGTGGGGATGA
CGTCAAGTCATCATGGCCCCTTACGACCAGGGCTACACACGTGCTACAATGGCGCATACAAAGAGAAGCGA
CCTCGCGAGAGCAAGCGGACCTATAAAGTGCCTGCTAGTCCGATTGGAGTCTGCAACTCGACTCCATG
AAGTCGGAATCGCTAGTAATCGTGGATCAGAATGCCACGGTGAATACGTTCCCGGGCCTTGTACACACCG
CCCGTCACACCATGGGAGTGGGTTGCAAAAGAAGTAGGTAGCTTAACCTTCGGGAGGGCGCTTACCCTT
TGTGATTCATGACTGGGGTGAAGTCGTAACAAGGTAACCGTAGGGGAACCTGCGGTTGGATCACCTCCTT
```

Figure: 16S ribosomal DNA of Escherichia coli with FASTA Format.

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Sequence alignment



No alignment

```
CGATGCTAGCGTATCGTAGTCTATCGTAC
      |      ||
ACGATGCTAGCGTTTCGTATCATCGTA
```

Aligned

```
-CGATGCTAGCGTATCGTAGTCTATCGTAC
||||| |||||
ACGATGCTAGCGTTTCGTA-TC-ATCGTA-
```

In the alignment process there could be substitutions, changes of residues and gaps. Gaps could cause by insertions or deletions.

Figure: No alignment versus alignment.

Problem

Sequence alignment



No gaps (10 matches)

```
a:  ATATTGCTACGTATATCAT
      |||||
b:  ATATATGCTACGTATCAT
```

With one gap (14 matches)

```
a:  ATAT-TGCTACGTATATCAT
      |||  |||||
b:  ATATATGCTACGTATCAT
```

With two gaps (16 matches)

```
a:  ATAT-TGCTACGTATATCAT
      |||  |||||  |||||
b:  ATATATGCTACG--TATCAT
```

Algorithms should take into account the possibility of introducing gaps. **Several alignments can be constructed** between two sequences.

Figure: Alignment and gaps.

Problem

Multiple Sequence alignment



```
RLA0_METVA  --MIDAKSEHKIAPWKIEEVNALKE LLKSANVIALIDMMEVPAVQLQEIRDK
RLA0_METJA  ---METKVKAHVAPWKIEEVKTLKGLIKSKPVVAIVDMMVDPAPQLQEIRDK
RLA0_PYRAB  -----MAHVAEWKKKEVEELANLIKSYPVIALVDVSSMPAYPLSQMRRL
RLA0_PYRHO  -----MAHVAEWKKKEVEELAKLIKSYPVIALVDVSSMPAYPLSQMRRL
RLA0_PYRFU  -----MAHVAEWKKKEVEELANLIKSYPVVALVDVSSMPAYPLSQMRRL
RLA0_PYRKO  -----MAHVAEWKKKEVEELANIIKSYPVIALVDVAGVPAYPLSKMRDK
RLA0_HALMA  MSAESERKTETIPEWKQEEVDAIVEMIESYESVGVVNIAGIPSRQLQDMRRD
RLA0_HALVO  MSESEVRQTEVIPQWKREEVDELVDFIESYESVGVVGAGIPSRQLQSMRRE
RLA0_HALSA  MSAAEQRTTEEVPEWKQEV AELVDLLETYDSVGVVNVGTGIPSKQLQDMRRG
RLA0_THEAC  -----MKEVSQQKKELVNEITORIKASRSVAIVDTAGIRTRQIQDIRGK
RLA0_THEVO  -----MRKINPKKKEIVSELAQDITKSKAVAIVDIKGVRTROMQDIRAK
RLA0_PICTO  -----MTEPAQWKIDFVKNLENEINSRKVAAIVSIKGLRNNEFQKIRNS
```

Figure: Example of Multiple Sequence Alignment (MSA) in amino acid sequences.



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Propose Particle Swarn Optimization (PSO) to solve the Multiple Sequence Alignment (MSA) [2].



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Leader:	W	G	K	V	-	-	N	V	D
	W	D	K	V	-	-	N	-	-
	S	-	K	V	G	G	N	-	-
Particle:	W	G	K	-	-	V	N	V	D
	-	W	D	K	-	-	-	V	N
	S	-	K	V	G	G	-	N	-

Leader:	5	6		
	5	6	8	9
	2	8	9	
Particle:	4	5		
	1	5	6	7
	2	7	9	

Figure: Example of particle representation.

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$$distance = \frac{matchingGaps}{totalGaps} \quad (1)$$

$$crossPoint = rand(1, distance * length) \quad (2)$$

	5	6		
Leader:	5	6	8	9
	2	8	9	
	4	5		
Particle:	1	5	6	7
	2	7	9	

	5		
Particle	5	6	7
	2	7	9

Figure: Example of particle movement.



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ACGTCTGAT**A**CGCCGTAT**A**GTCTATCT

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

----CTGAT**T**CGC---AT**C**GTCTATCT

Matches: $18 \times (+1)$

Mismatches: 2×0

Gaps: $7 \times (-1)$

Score = +11

Figure: Example of score in sequence alignment.

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The mutation operator inserts a gap in a random position in a random sequence inside a particle.



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Table: Dataset used in the experiments.

<i>Dataset</i>	min. length	max. length	num. bases
S6	8	17801	153
S7	457	457	8
S8	7	10	5



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

Figure: Sequences of S8 dataset.

Table: Params used in the experiments.

Param	Value
Iterations	30
Num. of particles	25
Mutation probability	0.2
Gaps	30%
Num. of experiments test	10



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Table: Score comparison of PSO and CLUSTALW.

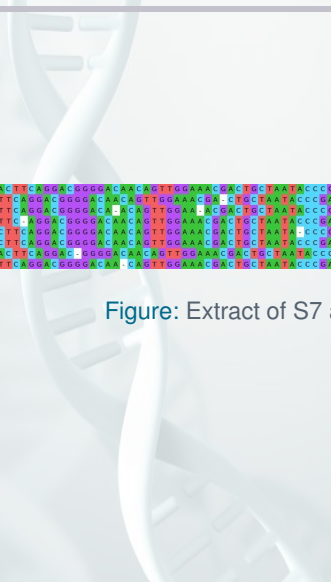
<i>Dataset</i>	PSO-mutation	PSO	CLUSTALW
S6	12678	10012	18045
S7	11105	9054	12564
S8	32	28	49



1	-	A	T	G	-	C	-	A	A	G	
2	T	A	A	G	T	C	A	A	G	T	
3	-	A	-	T	G	C	A	A	C	T	
4	T	A	A	G	T	C	A	T	-	A	
5	-	A	T	G	G	A	T	T	C	-	

1	A	T	G	C	A	A	G	-	-	-	
2	-	T	A	A	G	T	C	A	A	G	T
3	A	T	G	C	A	A	C	T	-	-	-
4	-	T	A	A	G	T	C	A	T	A	-
5	A	T	G	G	A	T	T	C	-	-	-

Figure: Left: S8 alignment with PSO-mutation. Right: S8 alignment with CLUSTALW.



```
1  -ACCTCAGGACGGGGACAAACAGTTGGAAACGACTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGGAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
2  ACTTCAGGACGGGGACACAGTTGGAAACGA-CTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGAAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
3  ACTTCAGGACGGGGACACAGTTGGAAACGACTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGAAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
4  CTTTCAGGACGGGGACACAGTTGGAAACGACTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGAAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
5  ACTTCAGGACGGGGACAAACAGTTGGAAACGACTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGAAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
6  ACTTCAGGACGGGGACAAACAGTTGGAAACGACTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGAAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
7  -ACTTCAGGAC-GGGGACAAACAGTTGGAAACGACTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGAAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
8  CTTTCAGGACGGGGACAA-CAAGTTGGAAACGACTGCTAATACCCGATGTGCCGCAAGGTGAAACCCTAAATTGGCCCTGAAGAAAGAGCTTGCCTCTGATTAGCTAGT
```

Figure: Extract of S7 alignment using PSO-mutation

Conclusions



This thesis proposed the use of PSO to solve the MSA problem. The author used a set of datasets from NCBI.

The author proposed a mutation operator to avoid local solutions. This operator just inserts a gap.

The score of PSO was acceptable and very similar to CLUSTALW. Currently, there is more research on this topic.



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