Algorithms in Bioinformatics

BLAST (Basic Local Alignment Search Tool) for COVID 19 Genome Strains

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Program execution instructions

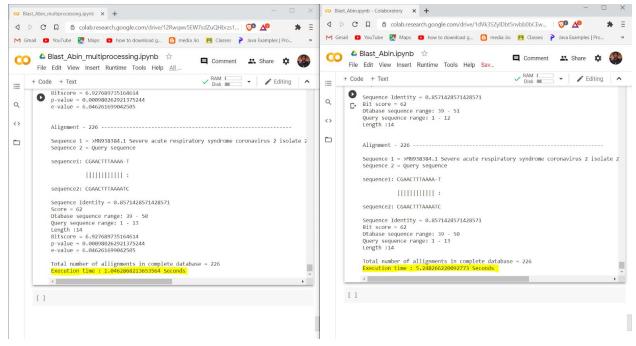
To run the following program, execute it with the following command:

You are prompted to input the following options:

- Query Sequence: String input
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- Word Length: Integer Input
- HSSP Score Threshold : Integer Input
- Extension Threshold: Integer Input

Optimizations

• Optimization was done on improving the computation time, by applying multiprocessing. 5 times less time was used by the program using multiprocessing.



• The Smith-Waterman algorithm was applied on a strict sub range of database and query which was developed by identifying the adjacent words. The algorithm was not extended outside of these ranges as they would have led to less score or highly gapped local alignment. Therefore computation time was saved by not calculating such low scoring local alignments. If in case user wanted to get these alignments they can get it by applying a smaller HSSP Thershold.

References

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