

1. Applying PCA on a dataset that has 8 points of a circle centered around the origin would result in a non-unique PCA. 8 such points for a circle of radius 25 are:

$$(25, 0), (17.6776695, 17.6776695), (0, 25), (-17.6776695, 17.6776695), (-25, 0), (-17.6776695, -17.6776695), (0, -25), (17.6776695, -17.6776695)$$

All these points are the same distance from each other on the circle, so "fitting" a line anywhere through this dataset such that the variance of the projected points is maximized would have a symmetrical solution via a different line in this dataset.

## 2. GATTACA and AATGGACA

Essentially, I create a score matrix with padding on the sides for the gap scores. It looks like this initially:

	G	A	T	T	A	C	A	
A	0	-2	-4	-6	-8	-10	-12	-14
A	-2	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
T	-4	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
T	-6	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1
G	-8	-1	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	-1
G	-10	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	-1	-1
A	-12	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	-1
C	-14	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0
A	-16	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1

For the next step, the mismatch is a score of -1, which is lower than the other scores, so that cell is filled with -1. In this fashion, the matrix is then populated with scores. The maximal score ends up at the bottom right cell of the score matrix:

	G	A	T	T	A	C	A	
A	0	-2	-4	-6	-8	-10	-12	-14
A	-2	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
T	-4	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
T	-6	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1
G	-8	-1	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	-1
G	-10	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	-1	-1
A	-12	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	-1
C	-14	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0
A	-16	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1

The maximal score is 1. We can find the alignment by backtracking. Since A matches with A, we performed  $0 + 1$  to reach the bottom right. C also matches C, so we performed  $-1 + 1 = 0$ . A matches A, so we performed  $-2 + 1 = -1$ . At -2, we see that we performed  $-1 + (-1)$  for a mismatch. ~~there where we advance one base for AATGGACA but not GATTACA. Thus, our backtrack looks like ACA~~ Here, after advancing diagonally again, we see that we performed  $1 + (-2) = -1$  for a gap, so there is a gap where we advance one base for AATGGACA but not GATTACA. Thus, our backtrack looks like ACAT- matching with ACA GG. For the rest, we have two matches and one mismatch.

At the end, we receive this optimal alignment:

GAT-TACA

AAT GGACA      Score = 1

4. Expected number of cells uniquely barcoded in a droplet single-cell RNA seq experiment.

Probability that a barcode ends up in  $k$  different cells:

$$P(N=k) = \binom{N}{k} p^k (1-p)^{N-k}$$

Probability that a cell is assigned any specific barcode:

$$p = \frac{1}{M}$$

Probability that a barcode is associated to exactly 1 cell (unique barcode)?

$$k=1$$

$$\binom{N}{1} \left(\frac{1}{M}\right)^1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{M}\right)^{N-1} = P(N=1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(N=1) &= N \left(\frac{1}{M}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{M}\right)^{N-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{N}{M}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{M}\right)^{N-1} \end{aligned}$$

Expectation: multiply by  $M$ :

$$M \cdot \left(\frac{N}{M}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{M}\right)^{N-1} = \boxed{N \left(1 - \frac{1}{M}\right)^{N-1}}$$