

# DP problems of interest

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### 1.1 Smith-Waterman

Problem: matching two strings  $S, T$ .

Alphabets:

- Input:  $\Sigma(S) = \Sigma(T) = \{a, c, g, t\}$ .
- Cost matrix:  $\Sigma(M) = \text{integers}\{0..n\}, n = \max(\text{cost}) \cdot \min(\text{length}(S), \text{length}(T))$
- Backtrack matrix:  $\Sigma(B) = \{stop, W, N, NW\}$

Initialization:

- Cost matrix:  $M_{(i,0)} = M_{(0,j)} = 0$ .
- Backtrack matrix:  $B_{(i,0)} = B_{(0,j)} = stop$ .

Recurrence:

$$M_{(i,j)} = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \\ M_{(i-1,j-1)} + \text{cost}(S(i), T(j)) \\ M_{(i-1,j)} - d \\ M_{(i,j-1)} - d \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} stop \\ NW \\ N \\ W \end{array} \right. \right\} = B_{(i,j)}$$

### 1.2 Smith-Waterman with gap extension at different cost

Problem: matching two strings  $S, T$ .

Alphabets:

- Input:  $\Sigma(S) = \Sigma(T) = \{a, c, g, t\}$ .
- Cost matrix:  $\Sigma(M) = \text{integers}\{0..n\}, n = \max(\text{cost}) \cdot \min(\text{length}(S), \text{length}(T))$
- Backtrack matrix:  $\Sigma(B) = \{stop, W, N, NW\}$

Initialization:

- Cost matrix:  $M_{(i,0)} = M_{(0,j)} = 0$ .
- Gap opening matrix:  $E_{(i,0)} = 0, 0 \leq i \leq \text{length}(S)$
- Gap extending matrix:  $E_{(0,j)} = 0, 0 \leq j \leq \text{length}(T)$
- Backtrack matrix:  $B_{(i,0)} = B_{(0,j)} = stop$ .

Recurrence for the cost matrix:

$$M_{(i,j)} = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \\ M_{(i-1,j-1)} + \text{cost}(S(i), T(j)) \\ E_{(i,j)} \\ F_{(i,j)} \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} stop \\ NW \\ N \\ W \end{array} \right. \right\} = B_{(i,j)}$$

Recurrence for the gap opening/extending matrices:

$$E_{(i,j)} = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_{(i,j-1)} - \alpha \\ E_{(i,j-1)} - \beta \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} NW \\ N \end{array} \right. \right\} = B_{(i,j)}$$

$$F_{(i,j)} = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_{(i-1,j)} - \alpha \\ E_{(i-1,j)} - \beta \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} NW \\ N \end{array} \right. \right\} = B_{(i,j)}$$

Otherwise written as:

$$M_{(i,j)} = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \\ M_{(i-1,j-1)} + \text{cost}(S(i), T(j)) \\ \max_{1 \leq k \leq j-1} M_{(i,k)} - \alpha - (j-1-k) \cdot \beta \\ \max_{1 \leq k \leq i-1} M_{(k,j)} - \alpha - (i-1-k) \cdot \beta \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} stop \\ NW \\ N \\ W \end{array} \right. \right\} = B_{(i,j)}$$

### 1.3 Nussinov algorithm

Problem: folding a RNA string  $S$  over itself.

Alphabets:

- Input:  $\Sigma(S) = \{A, C, G, U\}$ .
- Cost matrix:  $\Sigma(M) = \{0..n\}, n = \text{length}(S)/2$
- Backtrack matrix:  $\Sigma(B) = \{stop, W, S, SW, 1..n\}$

Initialization:

- Cost matrix:  $\begin{cases} M_{(i,i)} = 0 \\ M_{(i,i-1)} = 0 \end{cases} \quad \forall i \in 1..\text{length}(S)$
- Backtrack matrix:  $\begin{cases} B_{(i,i)} = stop \\ B_{(i,i-1)} = stop \end{cases} \quad \forall i \in 1..\text{length}(S)$

Recurrence:

$$M_{(i,j)} = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_{(i+1,j-1)} + \omega(i,j) \\ M_{(i+1,j)} \\ M_{(i,j-1)} \\ \max_{i < k < j} M_{(i,k)} + W_{(k+1,j)} \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} SW \\ S \\ W \\ k \end{array} \right. \right\} = B_{(i,j)}$$

With  $\omega(i,j) = 1$  if  $i, j$  are complementary. 0 otherwise.