

Multiple Sequences Alignment: practical sessions

Multiple alignments

- Use the Clustal Omega program: <https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/clustalo/> to align members of the clusters of orthologs: SPO11.1.pep and SPO11.1.dna and save results into appropriate file. (see more examples of clusters of orthologs).
Preferable output format: clustalw (later PHYLIP)
Explore some parameters (percent identity matrix, show color,...)

- Use the MAFFT (Multiple Alignment using Fast Fourier Transform) program: <https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/mafft/> to align the same members of the clusters of orthologs SPO11.1.pep and SPO11.1.dna and save results into appropriate file.

Preferable output format: clustalw.
Explore some parameters (percent identity matrix, show color,...).

- You may explore other multiple sequence alignment program on this server:
<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/>

Using clustalw locally:

- Use *clustalw* to align protein sequences included in a cluster of orthologs SPO11.1.pep and redirect the default output *clustal* formatted alignment to SPO11.1.pep.aln
`clustalw -infile=SPO11.1.pep -align -outfile=SPO11.1.pep.aln 2>&1 > /dev/null &`
- Use *clustalw* to align protein sequences included in a cluster of orthologs SPO11.1.pep and redirect the output *PIR* formatted alignment to SPO11.1.pep.pir
`clustalw -infile=SPO11.1.pep -align -output=PIR -outfile=SPO11.1.pep.pir 2>&1 > /dev/null &`
- Use the same file and redirect the output *PHYLIP* formatted alignment to SPO11.1.pep.phy
`clustalw -infile=SPO11.1.pep -align -output=PHYLIP -outfile=SPO11.1.pep.phy 2>&1 > /dev/null &`
- Do the same for SPO11.1.dna
`clustalw -infile=SPO11.1.dna -align -outfile=SPO11.1.dna.aln 2>&1 > /dev/null &`
`clustalw -infile=SPO11.1.dna -align -output=PIR -outfile=SPO11.1.dna.pir 2>&1 > /dev/null &`
`clustalw -infile=SPO11.1.dna -align -output=PHYLIP -outfile=SPO11.1.dna.phy 2>&1 > /dev/null &`
- Compare all above obtained multiple alignments for each of SPO11.1.pep and SPO11.1.dna
- Write a shell script *clust.scr* that runs *clustalw* with input file and alignment format as input variables

```
#!/bin/sh
#usage: clust.scr filename output_format
clustalw -infile=$1 -align -output=$2 -outfile=$1.$2 2>&1 > /dev/null
```

- Write a shell script clustall.scr that uses the clust.scr for a set of clusters of orthologs (with extension “.pep”)

```
#!/bin/sh
#usage: clustall.scr output-format
for file in `ls *.pep`
do
clust.scr $file $1
done
```

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- Write similar scripts using Perl

-Write a *Perl* script *clust.pl* that runs *clustalw* with input file and alignment format as input variables

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
```

```
#usage: clust.pl filename output_format
```

```
$IN1=@ARGV[0];
```

```
$IN2=@ARGV[1];
```

```
system("clustalw -infile=$IN1 -align -output=$IN2 -outfile=$IN1.$IN2 2>&1 > /dev/null");
```

-Write a *Perl* script *clustall.pl* that uses the *clust.pl* for a set of clusters of orthologs (with extension ".pep")

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
```

```
#usage: clustall.pl OF (output format)
```

```
$of=@ARGV[0]; # output format
```

```
@list=`ls *.pep`;
```

```
while ($F=shift(@list))
```

```
{
```

```
system("clust.pl $F $of");
```

```
}
```

- Try *Gblock* to show colored alignment

http://molevol.cmima.csic.es/castresana/Gblocks_server.html

- Write a script *pir2fasta.scr* that converts a *pir* formatted alignment to *fasta* formatted alignment

```
more C22.1.pir | sed -e "s/^>P1;/>/g" -e "/^$/d" -e "/^\\*/d" > C22.1.fa
```

- Write a script *multalign2oneline.pl* that convert a *fasta* multiple alignment into a one-line per sequence alignment (or a *fasta* database into a *fasta* database where each sequence is shown in one-line)

multalign2oneline.pl:

```
#!/bin/perl
```

```
# using a fasta multiple alignment write each sequence onto one line sequence
```

```
# or a fasta database of sequences write each sequence onto one line sequence
```

```
#use cat inputfile | multalign2oneline.pl > outputfile
```

```
$i=0;
```

```
while(<>)
```

```
{ if ( m/>/ && $i > 0 ) { print "\n"; }
```

```
if ( m/>/ ) { print $_;
```

```
if ( !m/>/ ) { chop; print $_; }
```

```
$i++;
```

```
}
```

