CS 364 COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY

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- Sign in
- Pick up a handout
- Pick up a notecard
- Pick up a construction paper sheet



Introductions

Computational biology overview

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First algorithms: string search

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Notecard and Name card

Instructor: Sara Mathieson

TA: Ella Manning

Notecard:

- Preferred first name
- Pronouns (optional)
- One topic you're hoping we'll cover in CS364 (be ready to share with the class)
- Anything else that would be helpful for me to know
- Name card ("tent")
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- (sharpies going around!)



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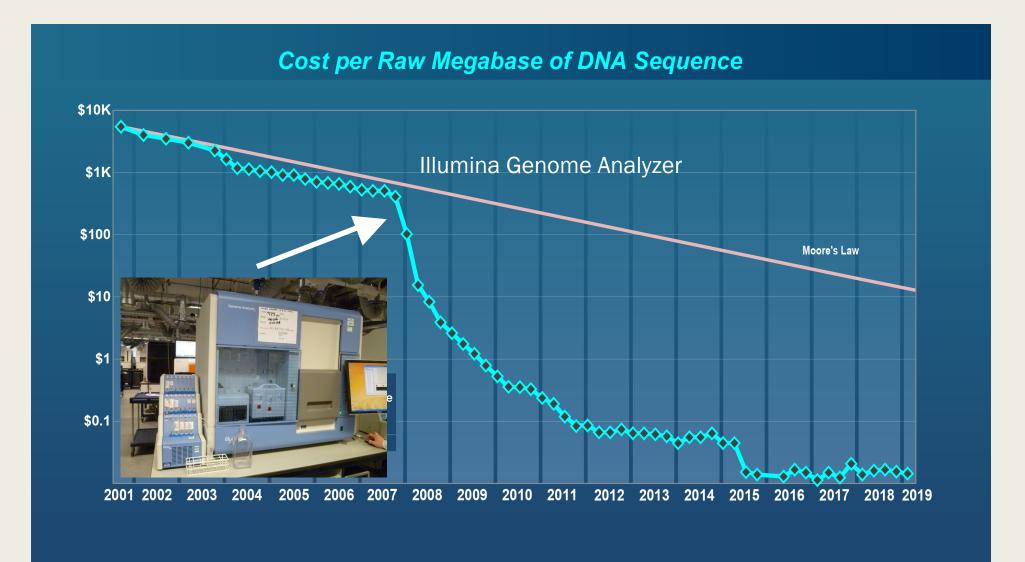
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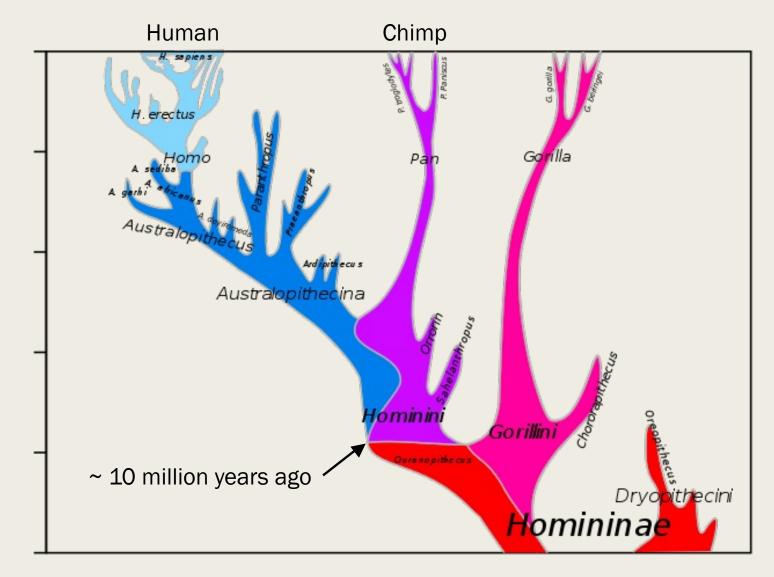
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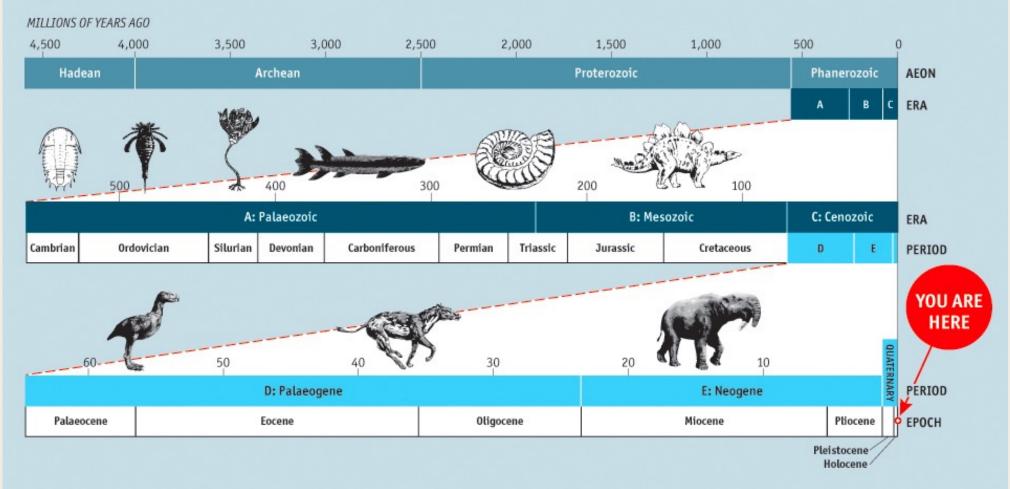
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~ 4 billion years

Earliest life on earth

A geological timeline of the Earth

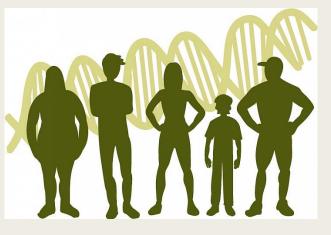


Computational Biology Overview

Why take Computational Biology?

- In the last 25 years, genome sequencing costs have plummeted and as a result, we have amazing "big data"
- We have data from tens of thousands of species and hundreds of thousands of individuals from our species
- We are now in a position to answer biological questions with this data, but algorithms for analyzing and learning from this data have not developed at the same pace
- CS364 is an opportunity to learn how biological data has driven algorithm development, and how existing algorithms have been repurposed for biology
- We will also discuss the future of computational biology, genomic privacy and ethics, and challenging problems that remain unsolved

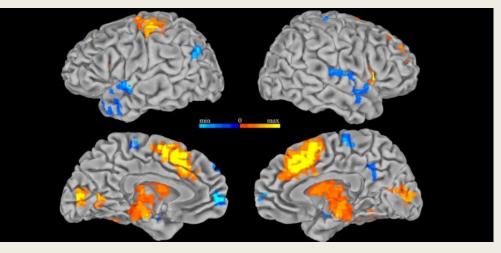
Computational Biology Problems



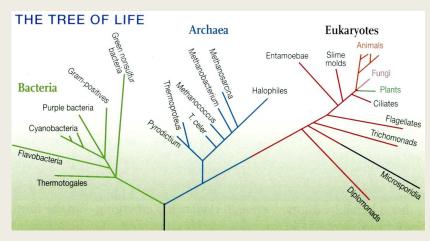
Discovering genetic variants that increases disease risk



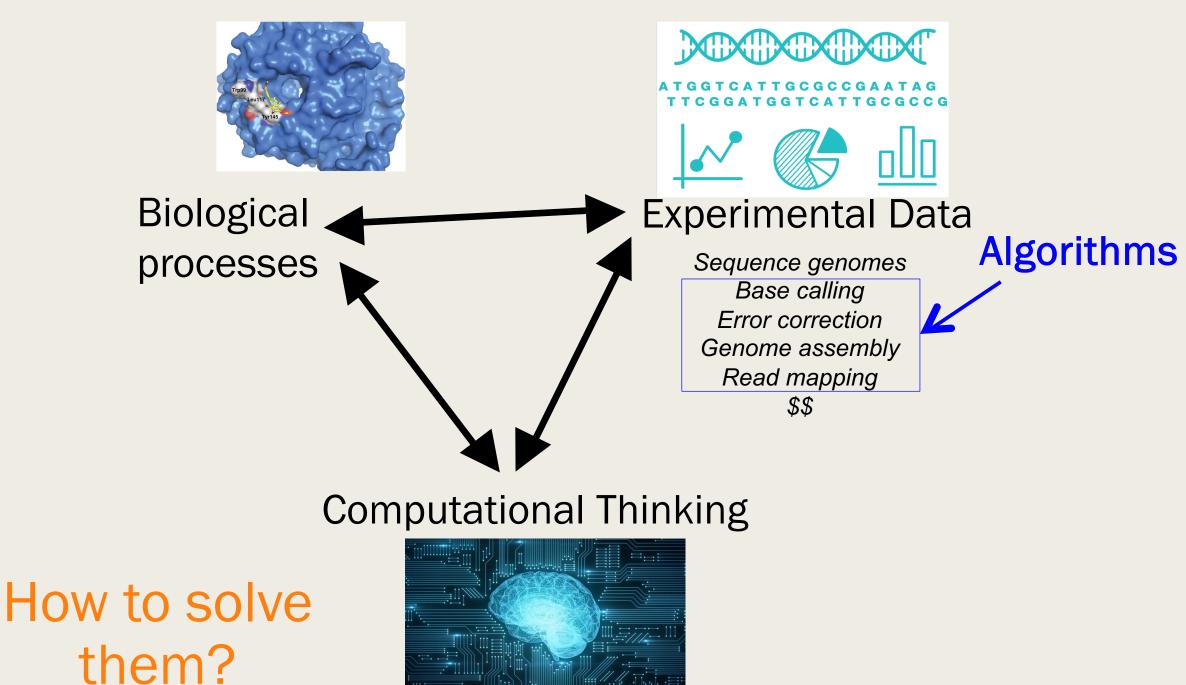
Understanding how climate change will affect forests



Finding out which parts of the brain are involved in playing and appreciating music

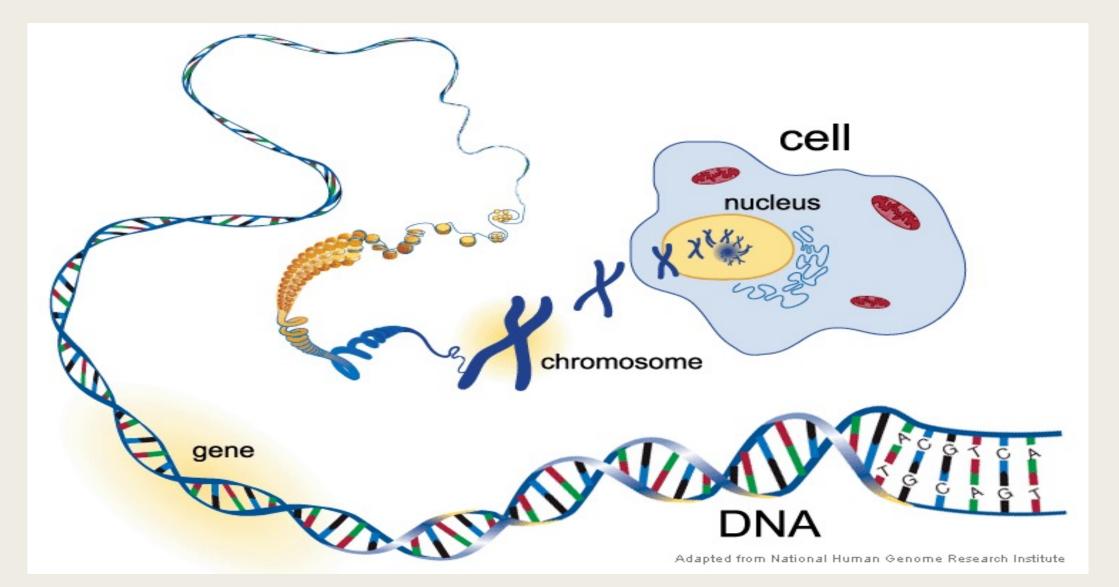


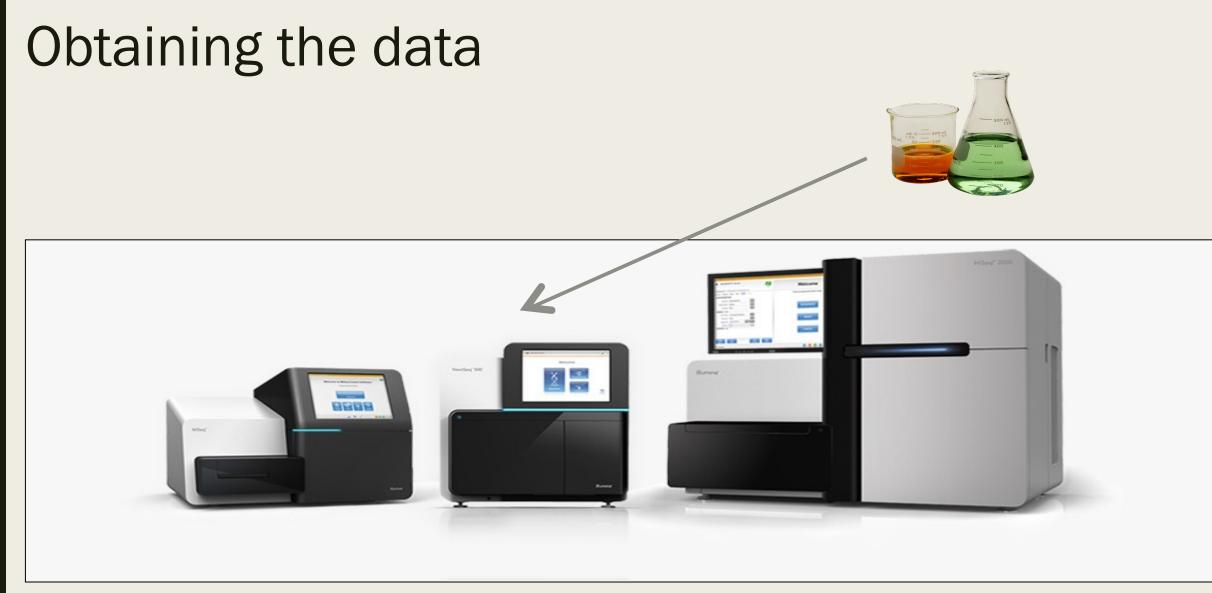
Explaining the origin of life



Images: BBC, Illumina

What data are we sequencing?



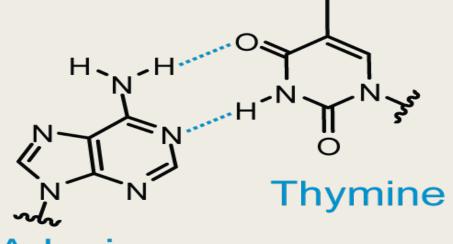


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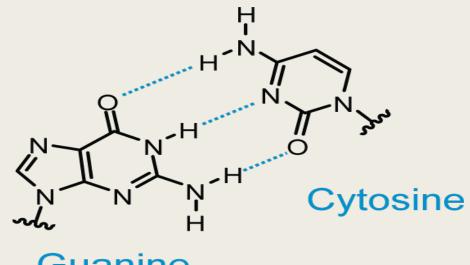
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Base-pairing

- "A" with "T"
- "G" with "C"
- Humans: 3 billion base pairs (bp)

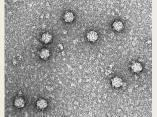


Adenine



Guanine

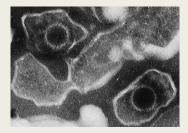
Early Genome Sequences



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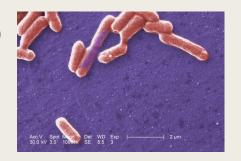
S. cerevisiae 1996 (12 Mb)





Epstein-Barr virus 1984 (170kb)

E. coli 1997 (4.6 Mb)





H. influenzae 1995 (1.8Mb)

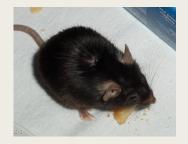
Early Eukaryotic Sequences



A. thaliana 2001 (135 Mb)

Brown Rat 2004 (2.8 Gb)





Mouse 2002 (2.6 Gb)

Chimpanzee 2005 (3 Gb)

'Clint"

Platypus 2007 (2.3 Gb)



And many other species...

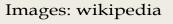


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Buffalo

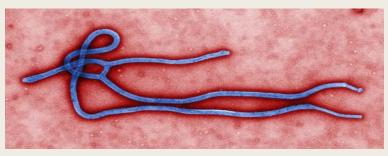
Chimp



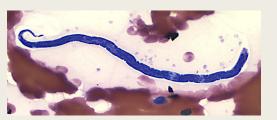




Chinese liver worm



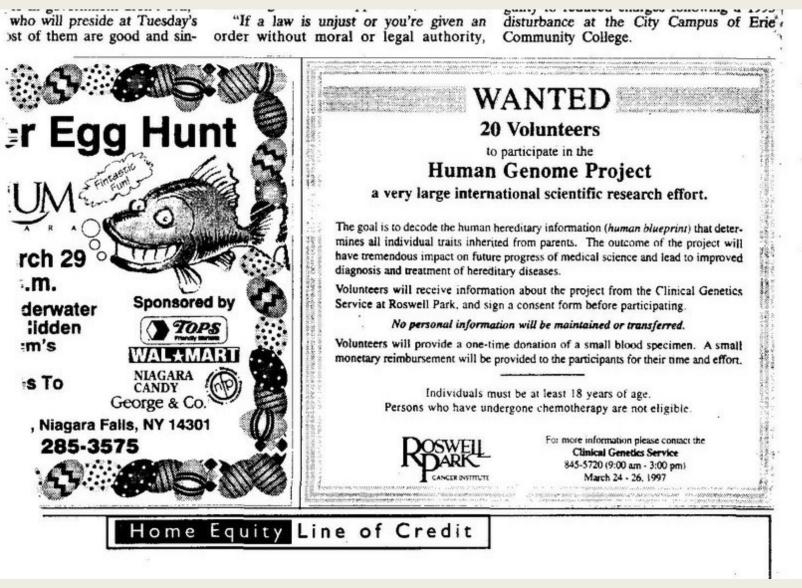
Ebola



Loa loa (eye worm)

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Human genome project

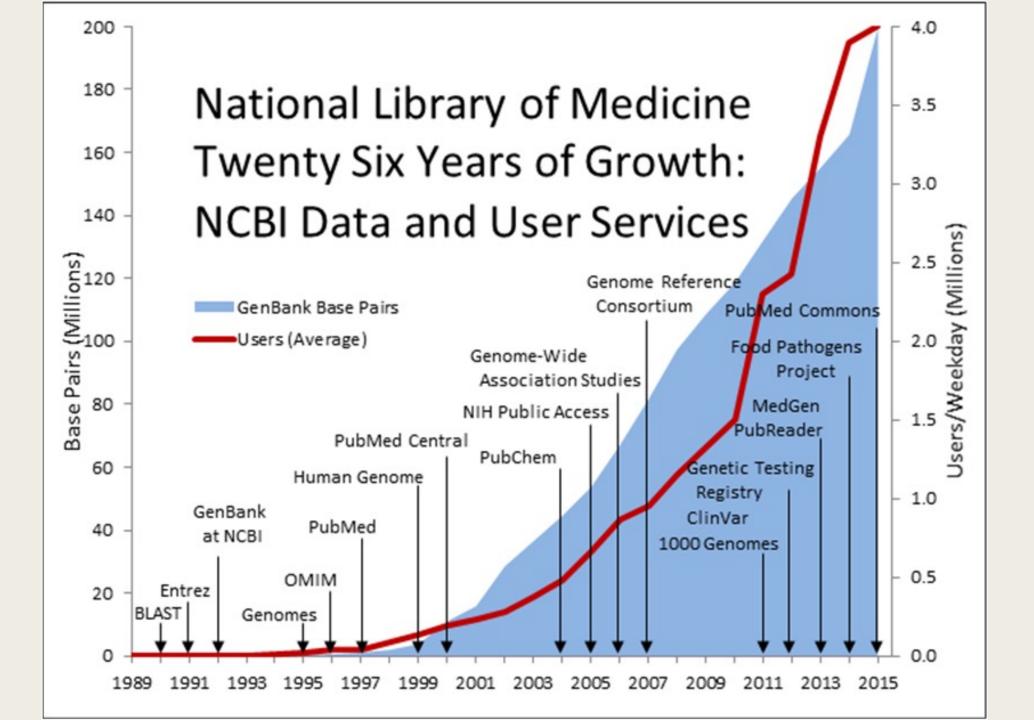


Buffalo News, 3/23/1997

Human genome project



Draft sequence, 2001. Cost: 3 Billion dollars (around \$1 per base...)



First goal of this course:

Algorithms to analyze biological data

* How can we assemble genomes from short reads?

* How can we infer the relationships between species based on genomes?

Types of algorithms



Greedy – at each stage of the algorithm, improve the solution as much as we can



Divide-and-Conquer – break the problem up into smaller parts them combine the solutions



Brute-force – write out all the possible solutions and pick the best one



Randomized – include some randomness in the solution



Recursive – solve a series of smaller problems first

Biology is computation

DNA is a means of storing and transmitting information

Turning that information into biological objects (e.g. you and me) is a **computational process**

So much of biology, much of what is going on inside your body, is **computation**

<u>Second goal of this course</u>:

Using biology as inspiration

* Can we make a computer think like a brain?

* Can we learn how to design algorithms from evolution?

Syllabus (highlights)

Course Goals

- Handle "real-world" data sets (large and noisy)
- Connect core bioinformatics algorithms to CS
- Understand, implement, and apply core bioinformatics algorithms
- Learn to model uncertainty using probability
- Communicate ideas effectively
- Understand the scientific method (asking a biological question, forming a hypothesis, designing a computational experiment, implementing and applying algorithms, iterating the process, drawing conclusions and communicating the results)
- Develop an appreciation for questions that require interdisciplinary skills to answer

Topics (tentative)

- String search
- Read mapping and Burrows-Wheeler
- Genome assembly

- Population genetics and sequence diversity
- Hidden Markov models (HMMs)
- Deep learning in biology
- Sequence alignment (dynamic programming)
 Cancer genomics
- Phylogenetic tree algorithms (clustering)
- Ancestral reconstruction

- RNA folding and non-linear structures
- Genomic privacy and ethics

Prerequisites

No biology prerequisite

CS260 Foundations of Data Science

(helpful but not required) Linear Algebra

Course Components

■ Labs (8 total): 35%

Midterms (2 in-class): 40% (20% each)

■ Final project: 15% (includes an oral presentation and "lab notebook")

Participation: 10%

My expectations

Come to class (Tu/Th) and lab (Th), and actively participate during both

Complete the weekly reading before lab

Come to office hours (tentatively Mondays 4-5pm)

Post questions on Piazza

Syllabus highlights

(Note: you are responsible for reading the entire syllabus on the course webpage)

- Notes and slides will be posted after class on the course webpage
- Durbin et al book is required, but could be shared or borrowed from the library
- Class and lab attendance will be taken every day and absences will quickly affect your participation grade
- You will get <u>2 late days</u> during the semester (counts for both partners if pair lab)
- Extensions beyond these two days must be arranged with your class dean
- Email: allow 24 hours for a response
- Piazza: should be used for all content/logistics questions

First algorithms: string search

String Terminology

Symbols/characters: Fundamental units e.g., {A,C,T,G} for DNA

Alphabets: Finite set of symbols e.g., {A,C,T,G}, {A-Z, 0-9, ",", ".", ".", ".", "."}

Words/strings: sequence of symbols from an alphabet set: e.g., AAC, "This is a string"

k-tuple, k-mer: An ordered set of k symbols

Substring: A contiguous subset of symbols

S = "ACGTACGTA"

S' = "ACGT"

S'' = "GTACG"

Prefixes and suffixes note: in class we'll start from 1 but in Python start from 0 (sorry!)

S = ACGACGCGAC

Prefixes, S[1i]	Suffixes, S[i S]
A:1	ACGACGCGAC:1
AC:2	CGACGCGAC:2
ACG:3	GACGCGAC: 3
ACGA:4	ACGCGAC:4
ACGAC:5	CGCGAC:5
ACGACG: 6	GCGAC: 6
ACGACGC:7	CGAC:7
ACGACGCG:8	GAC:8
ACGACGCGA: 9	AC:9
ACGACGCGAC:10	C:10

First problem: Exact search

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Second problem: Inexact search

Find a string that looks like "whale"

Third problem: Context search

Find a string that means "whale"

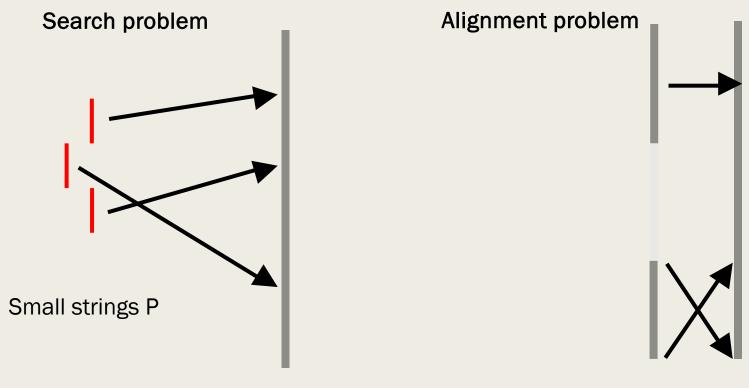
Types of Search Problems

	Literature	Genomics
I (exact)	Find the string "whale"	Find the pattern "GATTACA" in the human genome
II (inexact)	Find a string that looks like "whale" – e.g. "hale", "whole", "while", "elahw";	Find out where in the human genome this sequencing read came from
III (context)	Find a word that means "whale"	Find a sequence that stops transcription Find a sequence that codes for a protein
IV (meaning)	Find a sentence that expresses the desire to go to sea.	Find sequences that control olfaction Find parts of the genome make you more likely to suffer from diabetes

We will focus on searches in DNA sequences, but most of this applies to any sequence

Note: Generally we are trying to find a pattern (P) that is much shorter than the sequence (S) that we are finding it in.

The problem where we are trying to match up two strings of similar lengths is called alignment (to be covered later).



One long string S

Two long strings

Types of search problems

1.Search a document once. e.g. Ctrl-F on a website to find a specific phrase

This week: Boyer-Moore algorithm – preprocess search pattern

2.Perform many searches – e.g. mapping next generation sequence reads

Next week: suffix trees and hash tables – preprocess search string

Basic search problem

Given some alphabet set (e.g., A, C, G, T), string S from the alphabet, find the first occurrence of a string P (Pattern) in S.

P = GAC

S = AACGACTACGGGGACTAACGATCAGATC

Naïve Algorithm

S = AACGACTACGGGACTAACGATCAGATC GAC GAC GAC GAC GAC

Is this a good algorithm?

Correct?

Fast?

Flexible?

Small?

How long does the naive search algorithm take?

How long does this algorithm take?

- We want to know how long this algorithm will take
- We can't say how long in minutes, because that depends on all sorts of things
- More interested in questions like:

"How much slower will it be if we double the length of the pattern" "Can we run it on the human genome in less than a year"

S = AAC GAC TACG GAC TAAC GAT CAGATC



How long does this algorithm take?

Suppose P is M symbols long and S is N symbols long

- P = GAC M=3
- $S = AAC \underline{GAC} TACGG \underline{GAC} TAACGATCAGATC N=27$

Comparing two symbols to see if they are equal is one operation How many operations do we need?

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GAC GAC GAC GAC GAC

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GAC

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GAC *N-M* different positions GAC GAC

We need M(N-M) operations, which is about NM if N<M

We call this O(MN)

runtime of name. M = len of pattern (P) M = len OF search string (S) Dest case => [O(n)] S="AAAAA." Hechnically n-m Common case " worst case S= "AAAA....." (nm) P="AAAT"

Big-O notation in practice

Suppose my algorithm works in 1 second on the human mitochondrial genome (16,000 bases). How long will it take to run on the autosomal genome (187 times larger)?

O(1):		1 second
OK • O(log n): O(n):	5 seconds	
	O(n):	3 minutes
If you have to ■	O(n ²):	10 hours
[O(1.1 ⁿ)	$0(1.1^n)$:	2 years
-	0(1.2 ⁿ)	20 million years
	O(2 ⁿ):	40 orders of magnitude longer than the age of the universe
	O(n!):	Nope!

Big-O notation in practice

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Josh Carroll @ THAT Conference @jwcarroll

Alternative Big O notation:

O(1) = O(yeah) $O(\log n) = O(nice)$ O(n) = O(ok) $O(n^{2}) = O(my)$ $O(2^{n}) = O(no)$ O(n!) = O(mg!)

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Note 1: time vs space complexity

Time complexity: How long will it take to run

Space complexity: How much storage do I need?

In practice, space complexity tends to be lower, but can be more of a problem. Quadratic (n^2) memory is a worse problem than quadratic time. More later

Often there is a tradeoff between time, space, speed and sometimes accuracy.

Note 2: average vs worst case

Average case: How fast is the algorithm "on average"

Worst case: How slow could it be if we were unlucky?

Best case: How fast could it be if we were lucky?

Next: how can we improve the simple search algorithm?

Remember the simple string search algorithm. Can we make it faster?

N comparisons at each position

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GAC

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M-N different positions

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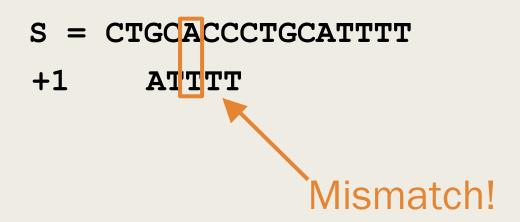
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Back to the first mismatch

$$S = CTGCACCTGCATTTT$$

 $P = ATTTT$

Look at the mismatch. The search string has an A, so there's no point checking any of the positions in the pattern that aren't also A

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S = CTGCACCTGCATTTT +4 ATTTT

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Idea: Scan right-to-left. If there is a mismatch, skip to the rightmost matching character that is left of the current mismatch position

Bad character rule

- S = CTGCACCTCATTTT
- 1) ATTTT
- 2) +1 ATTTT
- 3) +1 ATTTT
- 4) +1 ATTTT
- 5) +1 ATTTT
- 6) +1 ATTTT
- 7) +1 ATTTT
- 8) +1 ATTT
- 9) +1 ATTTT 10) +1 ATTTT

- S = CTGCACCTCATTTT
- 1) ATTTT
- 2) +4 ATTTT
- 3) +5 **ATTT**



Idea: Scan right-to-left. If there is a mismatch, skip to the rightmost matching character that is left of the current mismatch position

How much do we skip?

Key: can compute in advance. e.g P = "ATTTT",

Which character in the pattern is mismatching?

What is the mismatching Character in the search string? ΑΤΤΤΤ

How do we compute this table?

Pre-compute: tradeoff space (memory) and time

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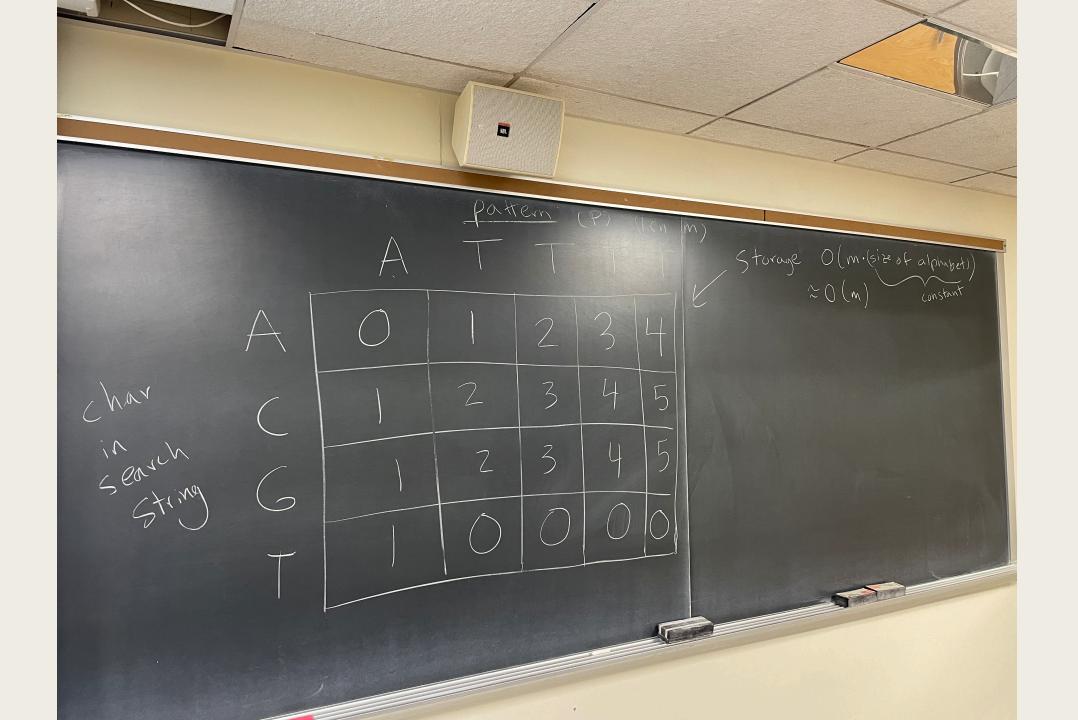
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		1	2	3	4	5
mismatching	А	0	1	2	3	4
Character in the	С		2	3	4	5
	G	1	2	3	4	5
search string?	Т	1	0	0	0	0

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Bad character rule worksheet