

## A Perl Program for Sequence Alignment

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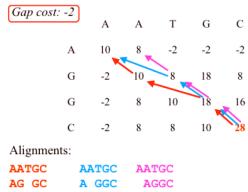
### Sequence Alignment

*The different steps of dynamic programming:*

- build the DP matrix
- Trace-back
- Outputs the alignment

*Parameters:*

- The scoring matrix
- Gap penalty




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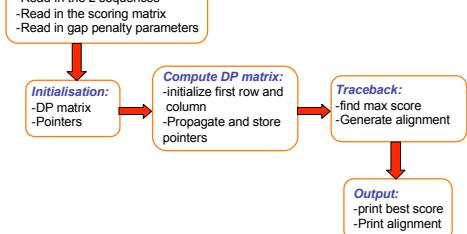
### Sequence Alignment

*The different steps of a Perl program for Sequence Alignment:*

**Input:**

- Read in the 2 sequences
- Read in the scoring matrix
- Read in gap penalty parameters

**Initialisation:**




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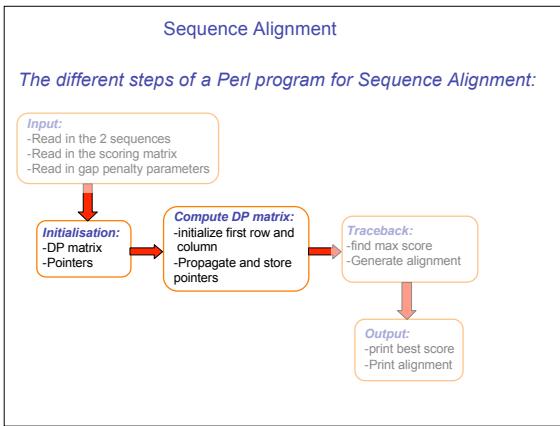
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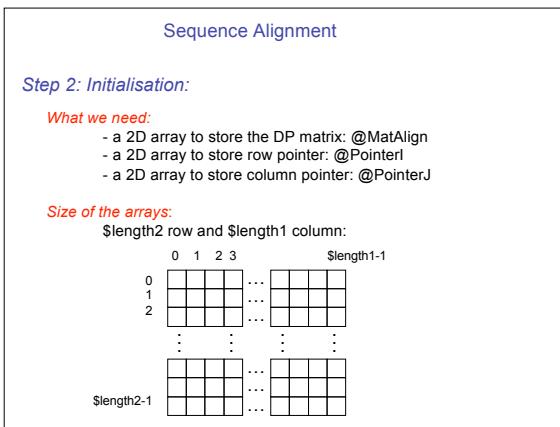
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**Sequence Alignment: initialization**

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# Initialize the three matrices we need:
# =====
#   - the alignment matrix MatAlign
#   - pointer along i : PointerI
#   - pointer along j : PointerJ
#
for ($i=0; $i<$length2; $i++)
{
    for ($j=0; $j<$length1; $j++)
    {
        $MatAlign[$i][$j]=0;
        $PointerI[$i][$j]=0;
        $PointerJ[$i][$j]=0;
    }
}

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### Sequence Alignment: Compute DP matrix

#### 1. Initialize first row:

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# first row
#
# First amino acid in sequence2, and its position in scoring matrix:
#
$AAi = $seq2[0];
$Pos_i = $position{$AAi}; → Hash array that gives position
# of AA in Score.
#
# Loop over all amino acids of sequence 1:
#
for ($j=0; $j<$length1; $j++)
{
    $AAj = $seq1[$j];
    $Pos_j = $position{$AAj};
    $MatAlign[0][$j] = $Score[$Pos_i][$Pos_j];
    # if($j > 0) {$MatAlign[0][$j] -= $Gap;} → Would allow for gaps
}

```

### Sequence Alignment: Compute DP matrix

#### 2. Initialize first column:

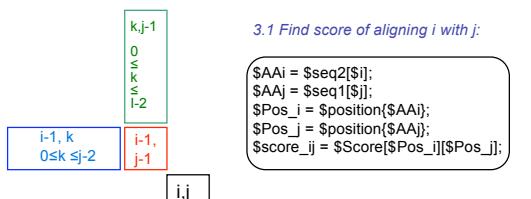
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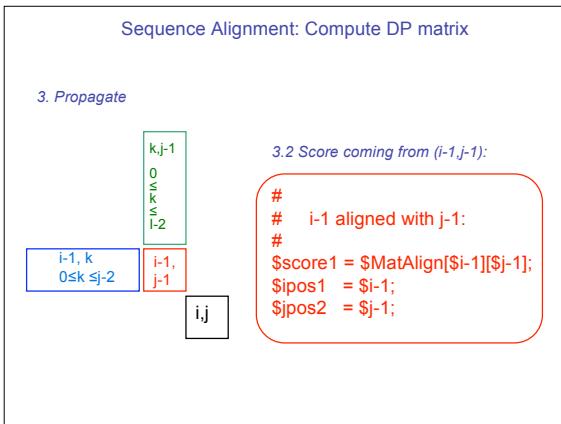
# first column
#
# First amino acid in sequence1, and its position in scoring matrix:
#
$AAj = $seq1[0];
$Pos_j = $position{$AAj};
#
# Loop over all amino acids of sequence 1:
#
for ($i=0; $i<$length2; $i++)
{
    $AAi = $seq2[$i];
    $Pos_i = $position{$AAi};
    $MatAlign[$i][0] = $Score[$Pos_i][$Pos_j];
    # if($i > 0) {$MatAlign[$i][0] -= $Gap;}
}

```

### Sequence Alignment: Compute DP matrix

#### 3. Propagate





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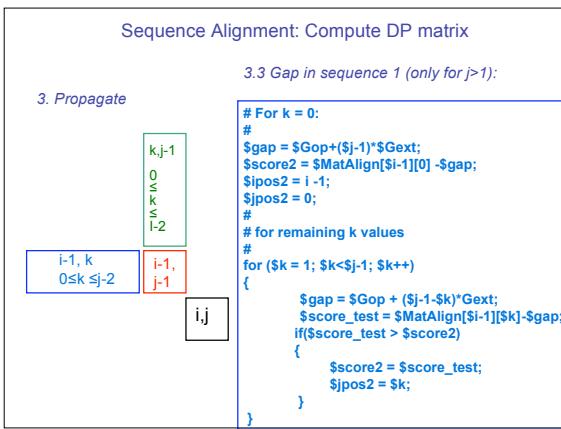
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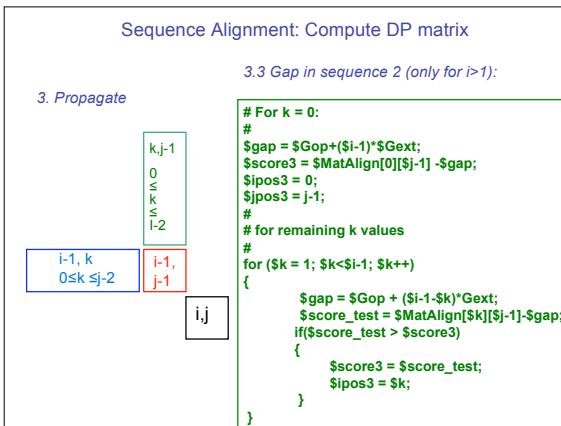
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Sequence Alignment: Compute DP matrix

**3. Propagate**

**3.4 Combine the 3: find optimal:**

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$bestscore = $score1;
$ipos = $ipos1;
$jpos = $jpos1;
if($j > 1)
{
    if($score2 > $bestscore)
    {
        $bestscore = $score2;
        $ipos = $ipos2;
        $jpos = $jpos2;
    }
}
if($i > 1)
{
    if($score3 > $bestscore)
    {
        $bestscore = $score3;
        $ipos = $ipos3;
        $jpos = $jpos3;
    }
}

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Sequence Alignment: Compute DP matrix

**3. Propagate**

**3.5: Finally, update score + pointers:**

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$MatAlign[$i][$j] = $score_ij + $bestscore;
$PointerI[$i][$j] = $ipos;
$PointerJ[$i][$j] = $jpos;

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