Algorithms in Comparative Genomics

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Exercise 1 (Common Intervals of Two Permutations)

Given the following two permutations of the numbers in the set $\{1, \ldots, 12\}$:

$$\mathbb{A} = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12] \\ \mathbb{B} = [8, 4, 9, 5, 7, 6, 2, 10, 11, 1, 12, 3]$$

Execute the algorithm discussed in class that runs in $O(n^2)$ time where n is the length of the permutation. How many common intervals do you find?

Exercise 2 (Common Intervals of Three Permutations)

Given the following three permutations of the numbers in the set $\{1, \ldots, 9\}$:

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \mathbb{A} & = & [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9] \\ \mathbb{B} & = & [9,8,4,5,6,7,1,2,3] \\ \mathbb{C} & = & [1,2,3,8,7,4,5,6,9] \end{array}$

Find all their common intervals. Which of them are irreducible, which are reducible?

Exercise 3 (Common Intervals of Two Sequences)

Given two genomes (represented as gene sequences):

$$\mathbb{A} = [3, 4, 5, 6, 5, 4, 7, 4, 1, 2]$$
$$\mathbb{B} = [1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 5, 7]$$

Find all maximal common intervals of \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B} of size at least 2.

Exercise 4 (Nested Common Intervals)

A common interval C is called a *nested common interval* of two genomes A and B if either |C| = 2, or if |C| > 2 and it contains a nested common interval of size |C| - 1.

A nested common interval of size ℓ is *maximal* if it is not contained in a nested common interval of size $\ell + 1$.

1. Find all maximal nested common intervals in the following two genomes:

$$\mathbb{A} = [4, 6, 5, 7, 3, 1, 2]$$
$$\mathbb{B} = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]$$

2. Develop an algorithm to find all maximal nested common intervals in two permutations.