

# Computational Genomics and Molecular Biology

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## Course overview

Course web page:

<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~durand/03-711>

Reading lists:

<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~durand/03-711/reading.html>

Materials available on Electronic Reserves:

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## Recommended text books (No required textbook)



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Syllabus:

<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~durand/03-711/syllabus.html>

- Reading assignments will be posted on this page.
  - Some material is password protected;
  - Id: compbio, passwd: genomics
- You can download homework, solution sets, and class notes from this page.

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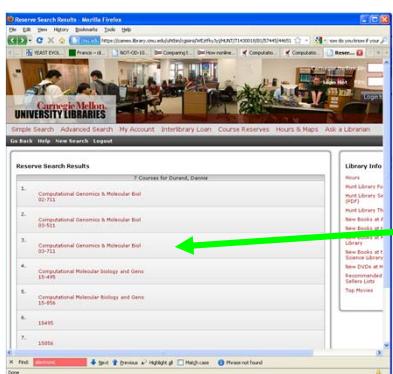
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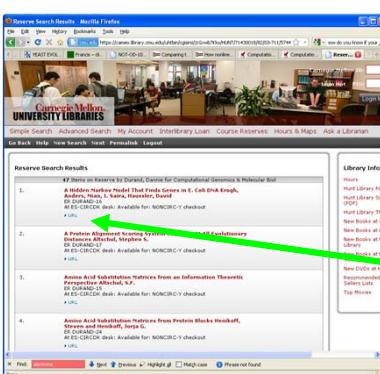
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Coursework and policies:

<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~durand/03-711/policies.html>

## How to do well in this course

- Come to class
- Take notes
- Come to office hours
- Preparing for exams
  - Homework is more focused on working problems
  - Exams are more focused on concepts
  - Study from your notes as well as your homework

I speak quickly.  
My handwriting is terrible.  
**Please interrupt and ask questions.**

## Outline

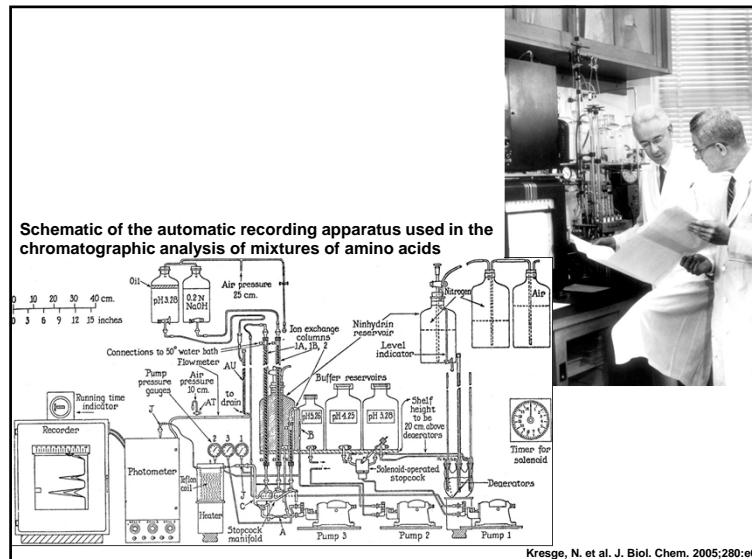
- Origins of computational molecular biology
- An overview of computational molecular biology
- Functional and computational Genomics.

## The Origins of Computational Biology

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Edman: stepwise protein degradation	First transistor
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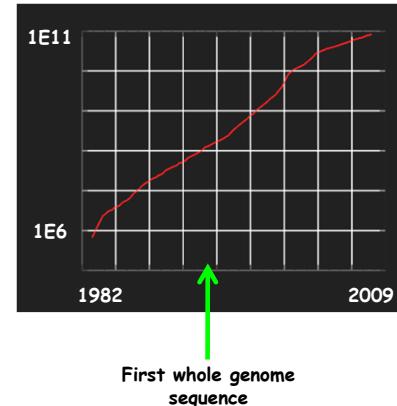
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## The Origins of Computational Biology

ARPANET	
	1970
Sanger-Coulson sequencing	
Maxam-Gilbert sequencing	
Gilbert, Sanger win Nobel Prize	1980
Congress establishes Genbank	
Human Genome Project begins	1990
GenBank goes online.	
First whole genome sequence	1995
TCP/IP	
Internet	
First royal email	
USENET newsgroups	
World Wide Web, Gopher	
NCSA Mosaic	
Pizza Hut goes on line	

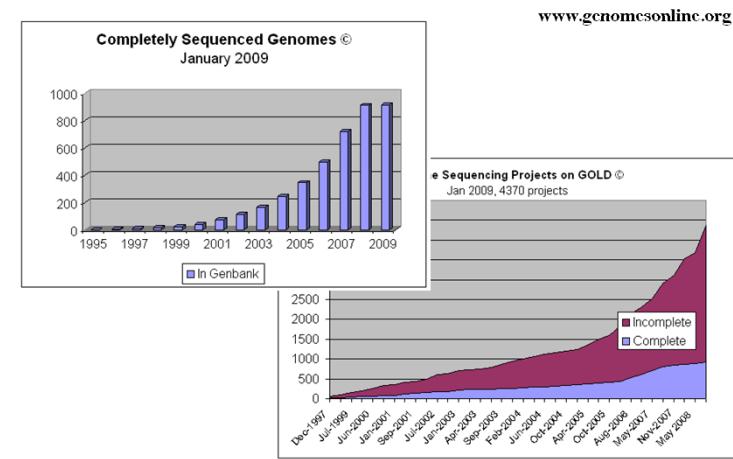
## Genbank doubles every 18 months

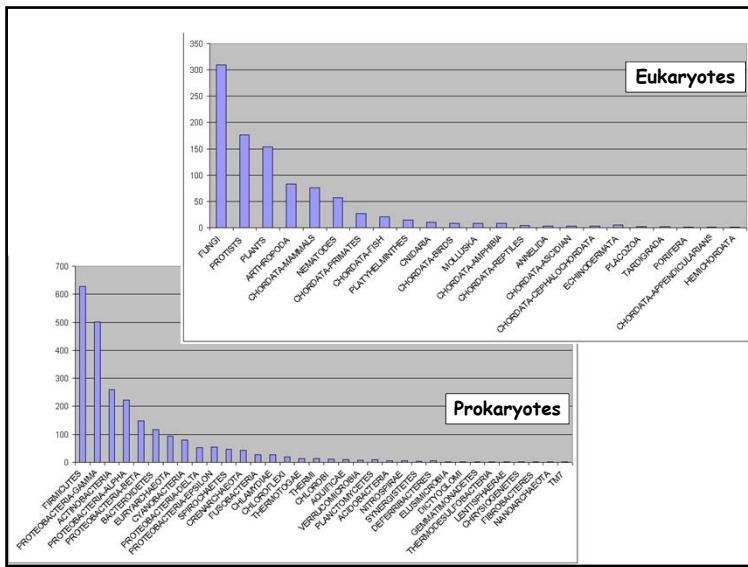


## Whole Genome Sequencing Highlights (A Eukarya-centric View)

- 1995 *H. influenzae* – 1<sup>st</sup> whole genome sequence
- 1997 Yeast – 1<sup>st</sup> eukaryotic sequence
- 1998 *Caenorhabditis elegans* – 1<sup>st</sup> multicellular organism
- 2000 Fly, *Arabidopsis thaliana* – 1<sup>st</sup> plant
- 2001 Human
- 2002 Mouse, *Ciona intestinalis*,
- 2003 *Caenorhabditis briggsae*, *Neurospora Crassa*
- 2004 Five more yeasts, silkworm, rat, *C. merolae*, *tetraodon*
- 2005 *Dictyostelium*, zebrafish, chimpanzee
- 2007 Twelve *drosophila* genomes
- ...

## Whole Genome Sequencing





## Next-generation short read sequencing

### Sanger Sequencing

- read lengths up to 1,000 bp
- accuracy 99.99%
- costs \$0.50 per kilobase

### Illumina sequencing

- read lengths up to 36 bp
- error rates 1-1.5%
- cost \$2 per megabase

### 454 sequencing

- read lengths 200-300 bp
- accuracy problem with homopolymers
- costs \$60 per megabase

## Next-generation short read sequencing

### Advantages

- High throughput
- Does not require PCR amplification
- Accurate measures of abundance

### Disadvantages

- Short reads are unlikely to be unique.
- Difficult to identify the origin of a given read
- Particular challenge for genome assembly

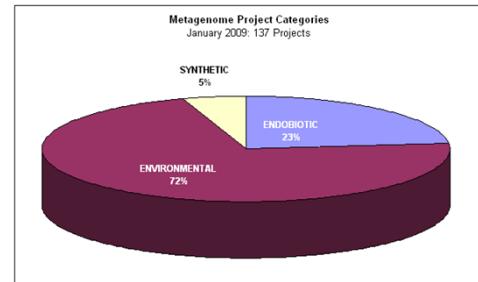
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### Applications

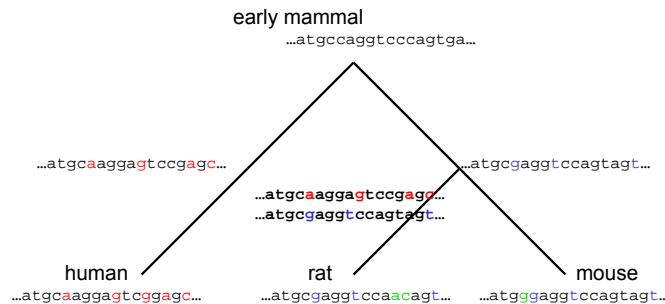
- Sequencing bacterial genomes
- Resequencing
  - identify mutations associated with drug resistance;
  - identify mutations in cancerous tissues.
  - genetic diagnostics
- Functional genomics

## Metagenomics

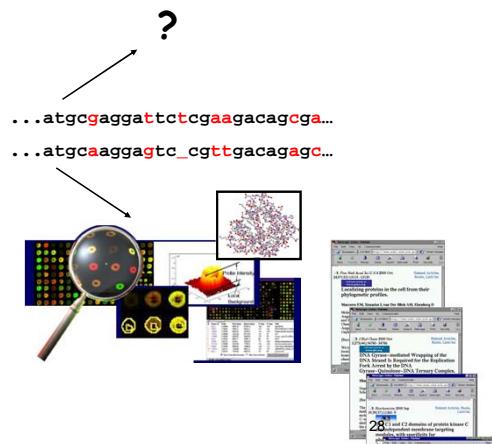
- Production-scale plant fermenter
- Fungal communities from the Arctic
- Singapore indoor air filters
- Yellowstone Obsidian Hot Spring
- Many fecal microbiomes
- Fossil microbiome



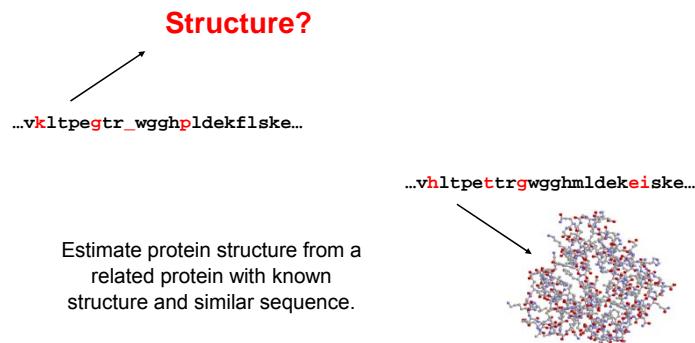
Why sequence data is so powerful:  
Sequences are related!



Sequence similarity → functional similarity



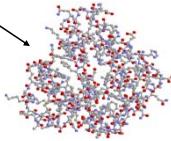
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# Structure?

...vkltpegr\_wgghpldekflske...  
vhltpettrawgaghmldekeiske



Estimate protein structure from a related protein with known structure and similar sequence.

# Sequence Comparison

...atgcaaggagtcccgagacgcctgagctgacta~~act~~gt...  
...atgcqaaqctctcccagtgtctgaact~~act~~taaat...

...atgcaagtctcg**tcccagtgccagaa**actccctacgt...  
...accagtggat**tccqactgqactgaa**ctqactaaca...

## global pairwise alignment

tfisll v..frrda.h ksevahrfkd lgeenfkalv...  
tfisll v..frrea.h kseiahrfnd vgeehfjglv...  
tfisll v..frrdt.y kseiahrfkd lgeqyfkglv...  
**tlisfi lqr**fardaeh kseiahynd lkeetfkava...

...mkwvtifisll flfssaysrg v..frrda.h kseva  
...mkwvtifisll flfssaysrg v..frrea.h kseiia  
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...mkwvtlisfi flfssatsrn lqrarfdaeh kseiia

## global multiple alignment

## local multiple alignment

## Applications

- Database searching
  - RNA structure prediction
  - Evolutionary tree reconstruction
  - Gene finding
  - Sequence assembly....

## Reconstructing Evolutionary History

## early mammal

...atgcccagactccagtga...

human ✓  
.atgc**aagagt**tcgagagc..

rat /  
...atgcgag**tccgt**agtgt...

mouse  
...atgggaggtccactgt...

...atgcaagagtcgagagc...  
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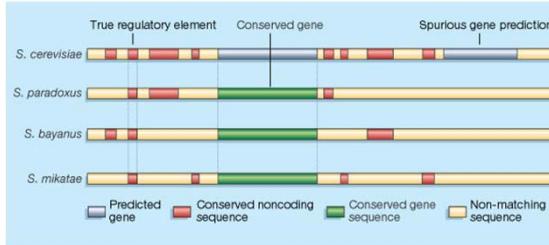
## DNA PATTERNS IN THE *E.coli* *lexA* GENE



## Global alignment of upstream sequences

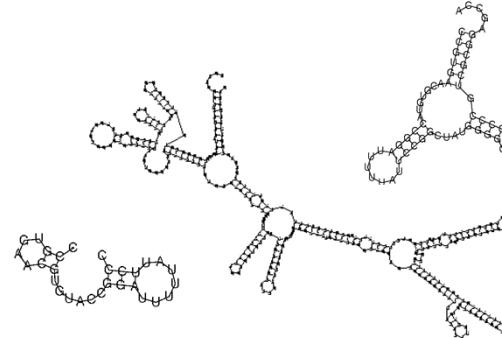
Kellis et al, *Nature*, 03

## Sequence conservation



Salzberg, Nature, 2003

# RNA Secondary Structure

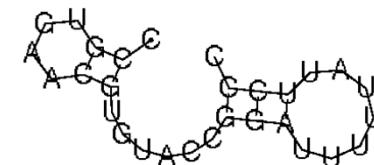


## RNA Secondary Structure

CCGUGUACGUGUAACCGGAUCUUUAUUC...  
CCGUGAACGUAUACUGCAGUUUUAGUGCG...  
GGCUCACGCUGUUCGGAUUAUGAUUC...  
CGCAGAAGCUCCACGCGUUUCUGUACGA

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CCGUGUACGUGUAACGGAUUCUUAUUC...  
CCGUGAACGUAUACUGCAAGUUUAGUGCG...  
GGCUCACGCUGUUCGGAUUAUGAUUC...  
CGCAGAAGCUCCACGCGUUUCUGUACGA



## The Fantasy

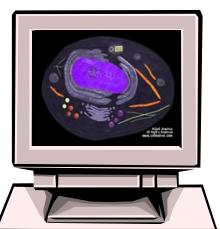
### Whole genome sequence

GAAATAAAACAACCAGGCAGCCAGTTATTAAACACGGGAACATGGCGGCCGCAGCTGGGCTCCCGCGCCCGCG...

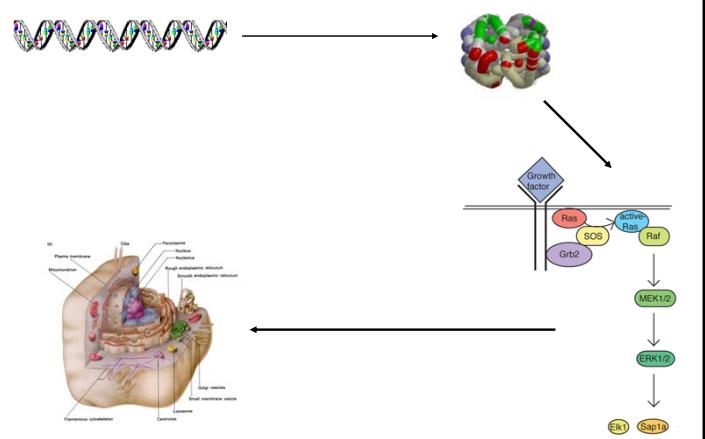
### Cell Simulator Compiler



### Cell Function Simulator



## From genes to cells



## Functional and computational genomics

- mRNA expression
- Splice variants
- Protein structure
- Protein expression
- Sub-cellular localization
- Protein-protein interactions
- Protein-DNA interactions

**Design and interpretation of all of these assays requires sequence analysis.**

