About

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- Web pages
 - http://www.cs.cornell.edu/Courses/cs4520/2008fa/
 - https://cms3.csuglab.cornell.edu/
- Books on reserve:
 - Genomes T.A. Brown (also accessible via pubmed)
 - An introduction to bioinformatics algorithms Neil C. and Pavel A. Pevzner
 - Biological sequence analysis: probabilistic models of proteins and nucleic acids Richard Durbin et al.
 - Statistical methods in bioinformatics : an introduction Warren Ewens, Gregory Grant.
- Your course grade will be the arithmetic mean of your final grade and your normalized average homework score.

Syllabus

- Biological introduction
- Pairwise sequence alignment
 - Scoring matrices, dynamic programming
- Similarity search: BLAST
- Significance analysis of local alignment
- Multiple sequence alignment
- Phylogenetic trees
- Genome rearrangements: reversal distance
- Motif finding
 - Pattern and profile based finders
 - MITRA, Gibbs Sampler, Expectation Maximization
 - Significance analysis
- Mass spectrometry
- Gene arrays
- Gene finding