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B.Tech (Biotechnology) VI Semester

COURSE CODE: 10B11BT511

MAX. MARKS:25

COURSE NAME: Introduction to Bioinformatics

COURSE CREDITS: 4

MAX. TIME: One Hour Thirty Minutes

Note: All questions are compulsory. Carrying of mobile phone during examinations will be treated as case of unfair means.

- 1. Answer the following with respect to the BLST program:
 - (a) How is PSI-BLAST different from the normal BLAST and PHI-BLAST programs? Which one is the best of the three and why? (2)
 - (b) tBLASTx is more time-consuming than BLASTN. Why? (2)
 - (c) Distinguish between BLAST and BLAST2. How do we incorporate gaps in the alignment? Explain. (2)
 - (d) Why do we ignore low complexity and repetitive regions in BLAST? (2)
 - (e) How and why do we convert raw score to bit score? (2)
 - (f) Which sequence filters are used in the BLAST program and why? (2)
- 2. With reference to multiple sequence alignment (MSA), answer the following:
 - (a) How do we use MSA for designing degenerate primers and genome sequencing? (2)
 - (b) Explain the SP measure method of scoring the alignment using your own hypothetical example. (2)
 - (c) What is the qualitative meaning of δ and ϵ parameters in MSA? Explain. (2)
 - (d) Discuss the difference between CLUSTALW and PILEUP methods of MSA. Explain the inherent weakness of progressive methods for MSA. (3)
 - (e) What are sequence logos and why do we use them? (1)
 - (f) How do we convert an MSA into a profile. Explain the two methods. (3)