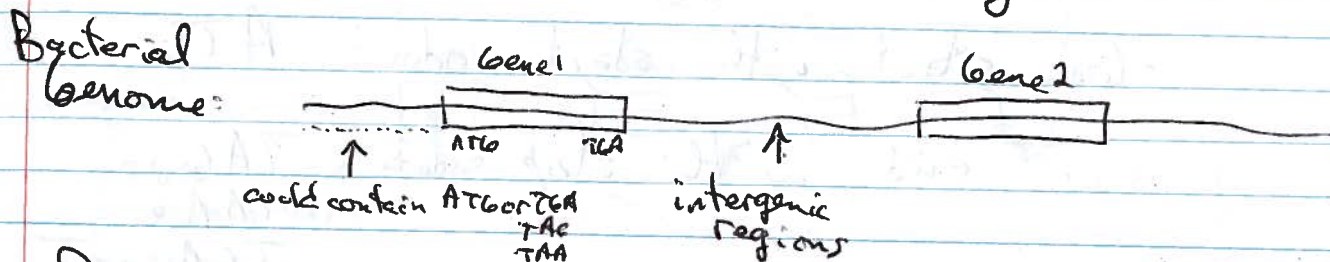
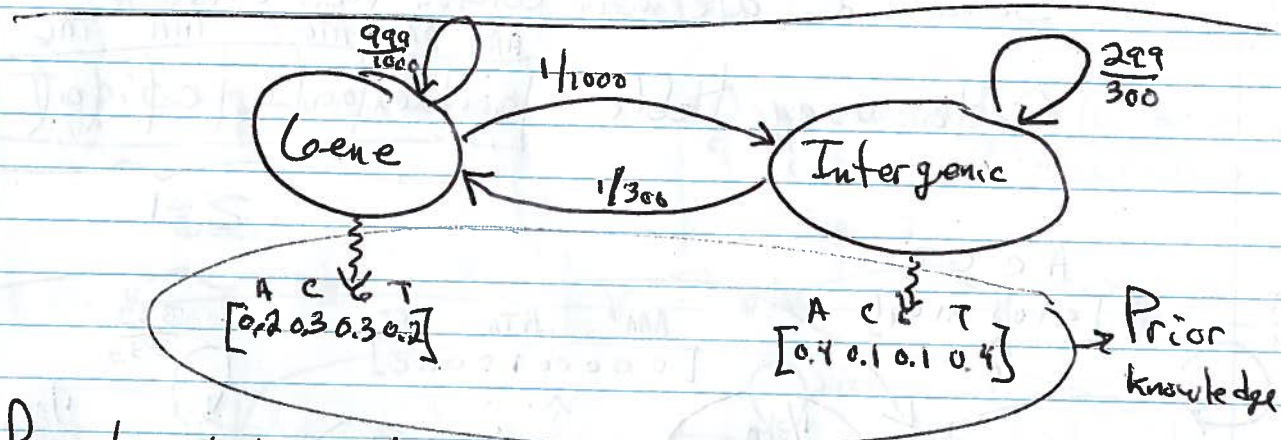


# HMMs for Gene Finding



Problem: Given: genome sequence  $X$

Find: Start/End position of each gene in  $X$



Prior knowledge: Avg. gene length  $\sim 1000$ bp  
Avg. intergenic length  $\sim 300$ bp

Genome  $X =$  ATAGATAACA GGCTCG TGGTC | ATAT

Viterbi Path = I I I I I I I | 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 | I I I I

Intergene Gene Intergene

## Gene Properties:

- Gene start with start codon: ATG
- end with stop codons: TAG  
TAA  
TGA

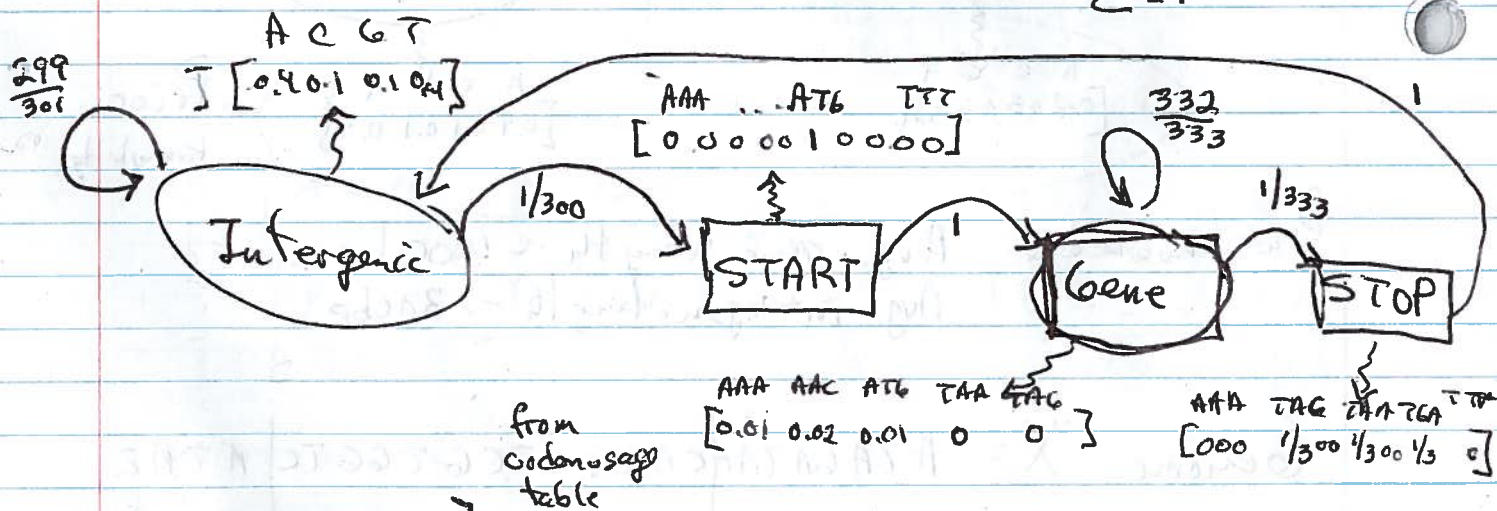
• Gene is made of codons (triplets of nucleotides)

• Some codons are more common than others

Codon usage table

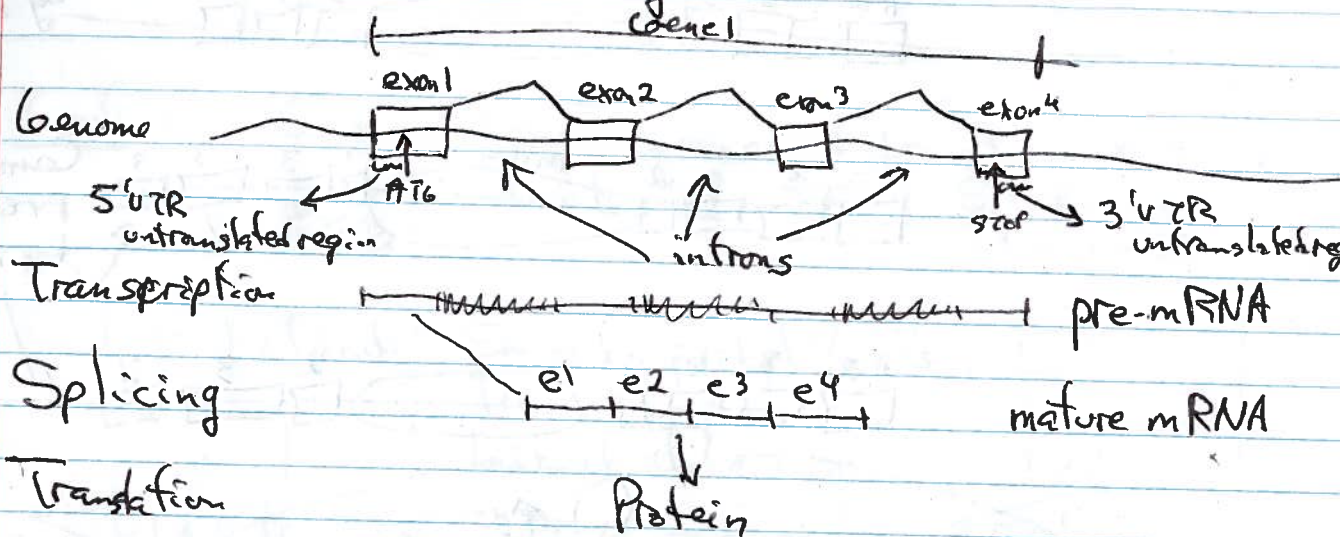
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$$\Sigma = 1$$

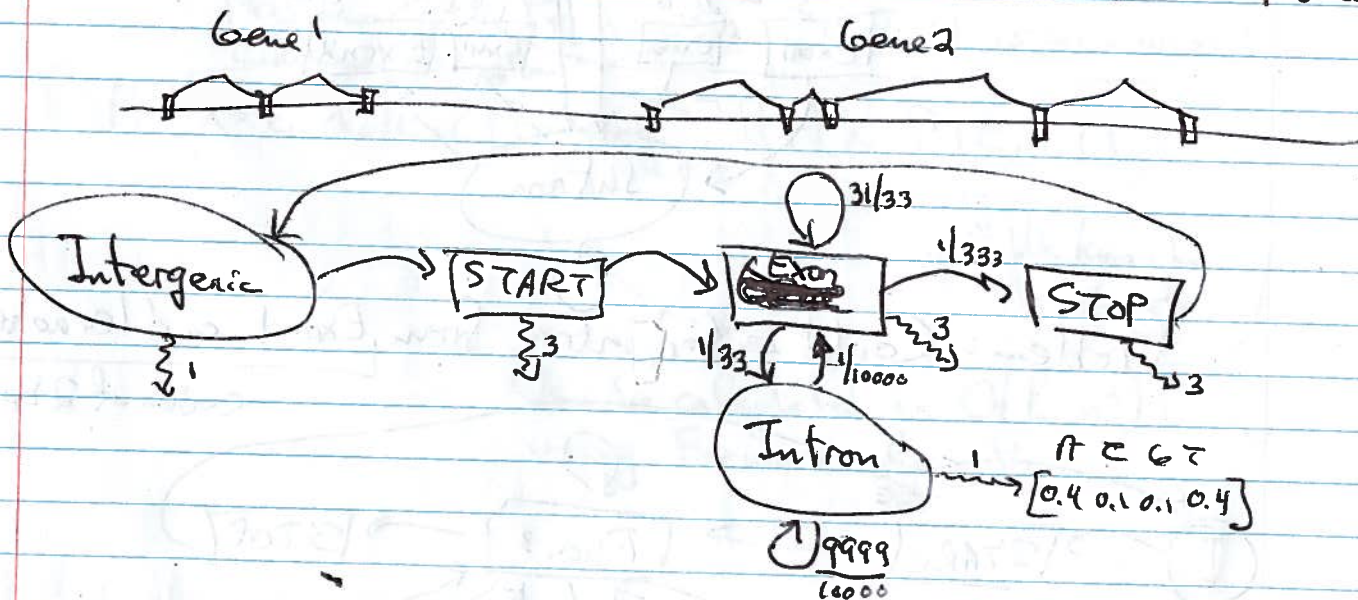


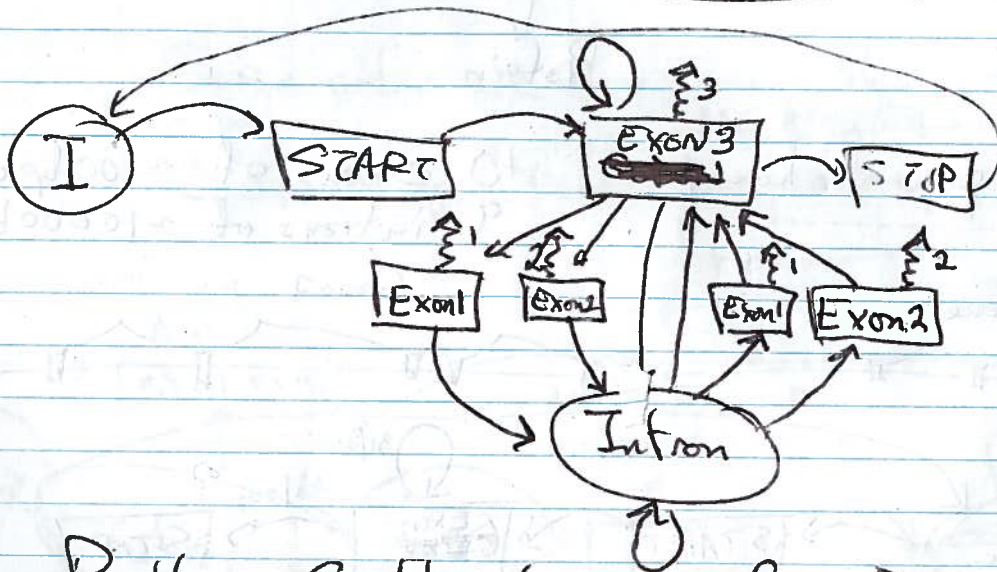
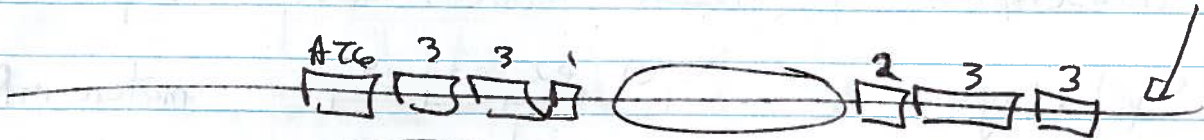
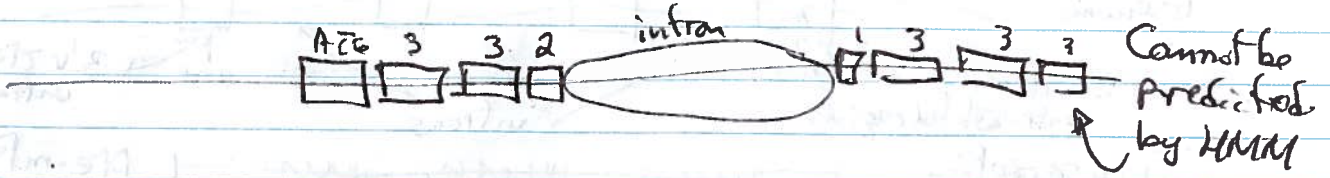
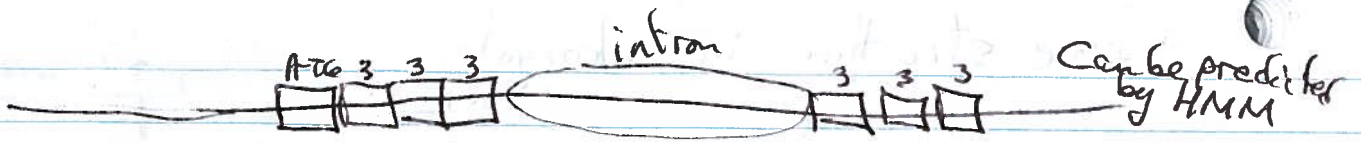


# Gene structure in eukaryote



Typical gene in human : 10 exons of ~100bp on average,  
9 introns of ~10000bp on average





Problem: Could enter intron from Exon1 and leave from Exon1 codon of 2 bp

