

The Language Of Genes

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Abstract

Just in a short time after the DNA structure became known to us and with that we came across knowing various gene expressions, we came across Noam Chomsky work about the expression and representation of languages, its grammar, syntaxes, computation and ambiguity[1].

Now as we know that the DNA is a richly-expressive language that determines the various structures and functions of life and it further determines the structure of RNA and Proteins too. Hence the interest started in this field, developing gene regulation, gene structure and expression, and other forms of mutation and rearrangement, conformation of macromolecules and computational of the biological data we have. So the trend increased in developing grammars for the biological sequence. This is done in order to make it easy to perform various operations like searching, pattern recognition etc[1].

Here we intend to present a formal language based linguistic heuristics of biological sequences from basic mathematical linguistic and its applications and then extending those all to DNA and Protein sequences. Just by using the Formal Language concept and relating the biological sequence with that we bring on the computational results and further interweaving of these fields will be instrumental in extending our understanding of the language of life[2].

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