

# More intuition on phylogenetic tree estimation

Simplification from John Huelsenbeck's lecture  
Woods Hole Molecular Phylogenetics

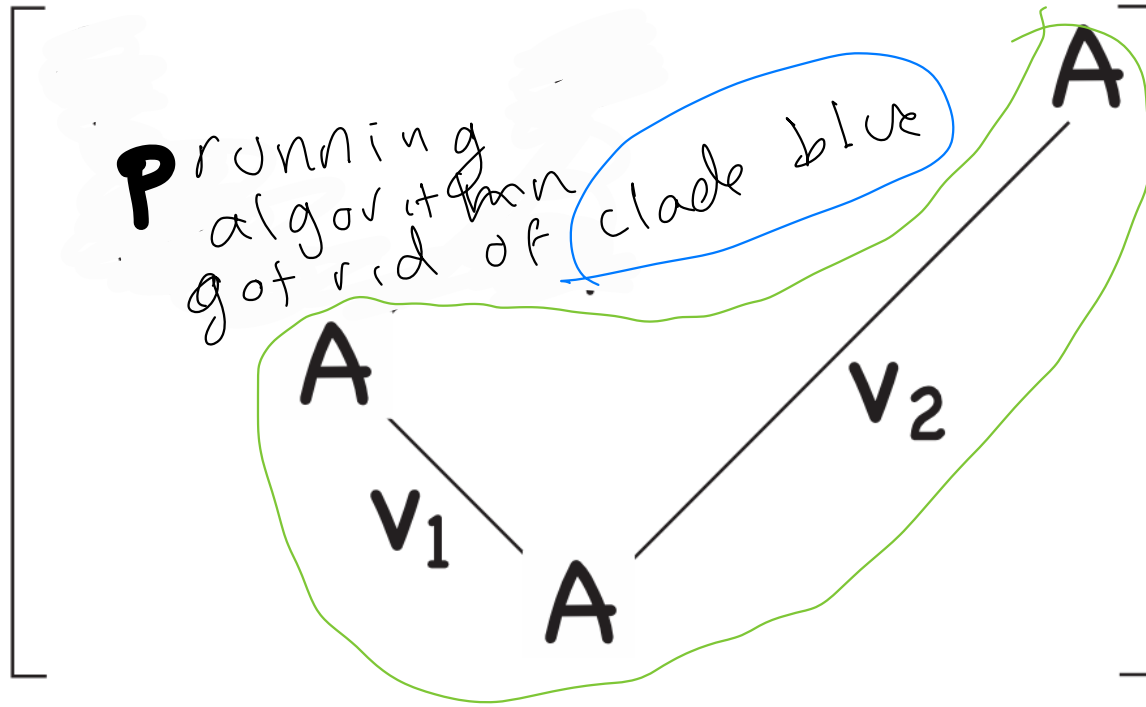








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$$\pi_A \times p_{AA}(v_1) \times p_{AA}(v_2) \times p_{AG}(v_3) \times p_{AG}(v_4)$$



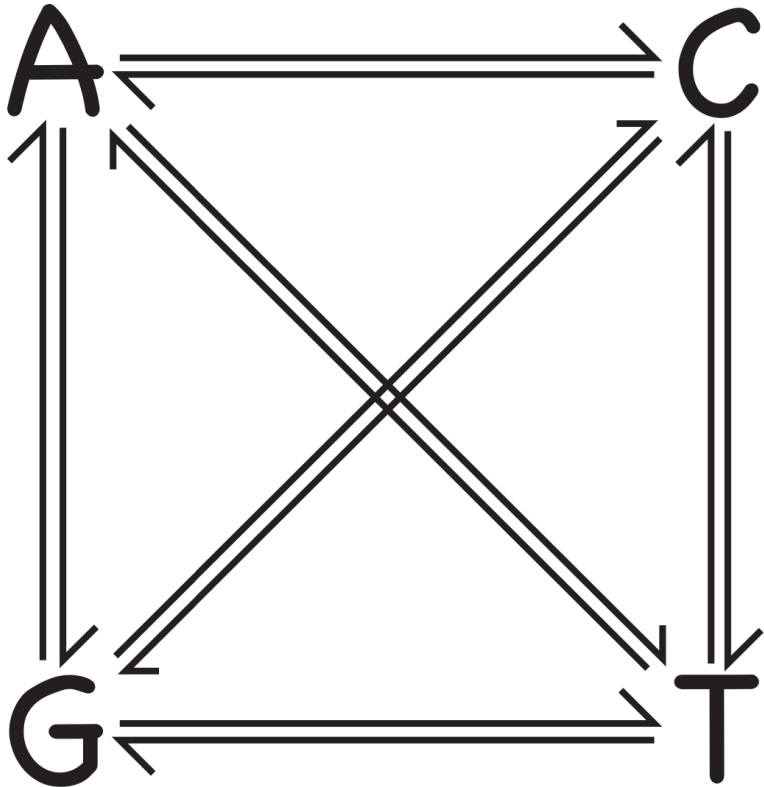
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↳ stationary distribution





# What is truly going on?



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	A	C	G	T
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= Q

How does Q relate to probability

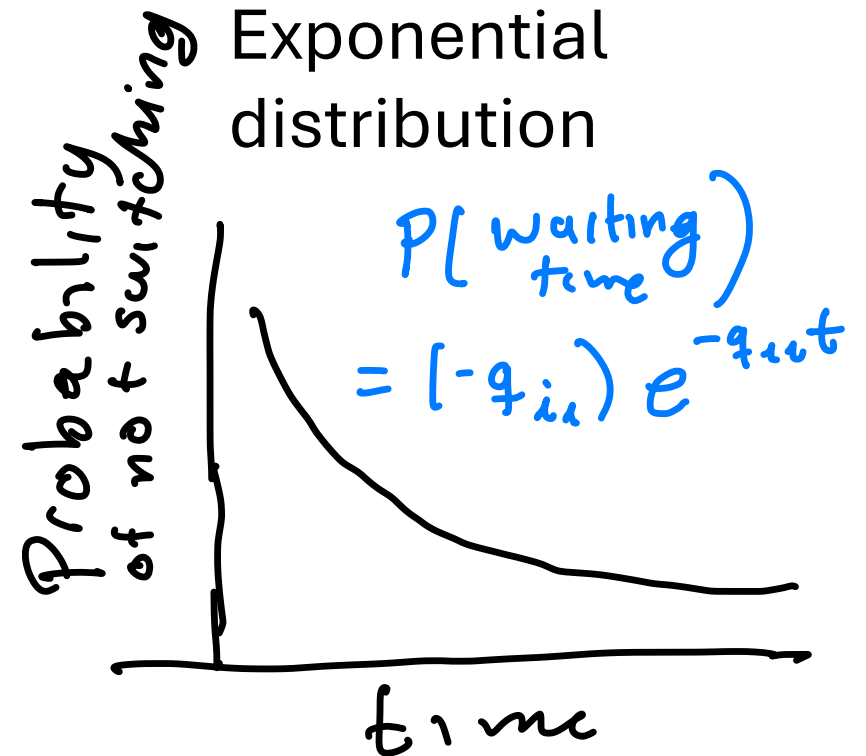
$P = e^{Q(t)}$ , molecular time  
(all those v's  
in previous example)

$$P(X=x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \quad \text{in Wiki}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

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Interpretation: If the process is in state  $i$ , we wait an exponentially distributed amount of time with parameter  $-q_{ii}$  until the next substitution occurs.



Probability of not switching in a short time is large but in a long time is small

$\sim \text{Exp}(-q_{ii}) \quad i = A, C, G, T$

(distributed as)



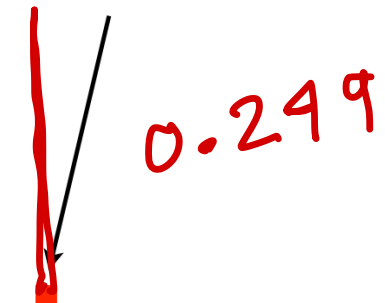
Finish \_\_\_\_\_

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1.011  
0.249  
0.22  
0.04

Start in state **G**

Start \_\_\_\_\_



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Exp(1.519)

0.24

Start

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Start

how much  
an A  
a random  
number  
Exp (0.886)

Finish \_\_\_\_\_

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Exp(0.886)



Start \_\_\_\_\_



Finish \_\_\_\_\_

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$$p_C = \frac{0.190}{0.886} = 0.214$$

$$p_G = \frac{0.633}{0.886} = 0.714$$

$$p_T = \frac{0.063}{0.886} = 0.072$$

Start \_\_\_\_\_

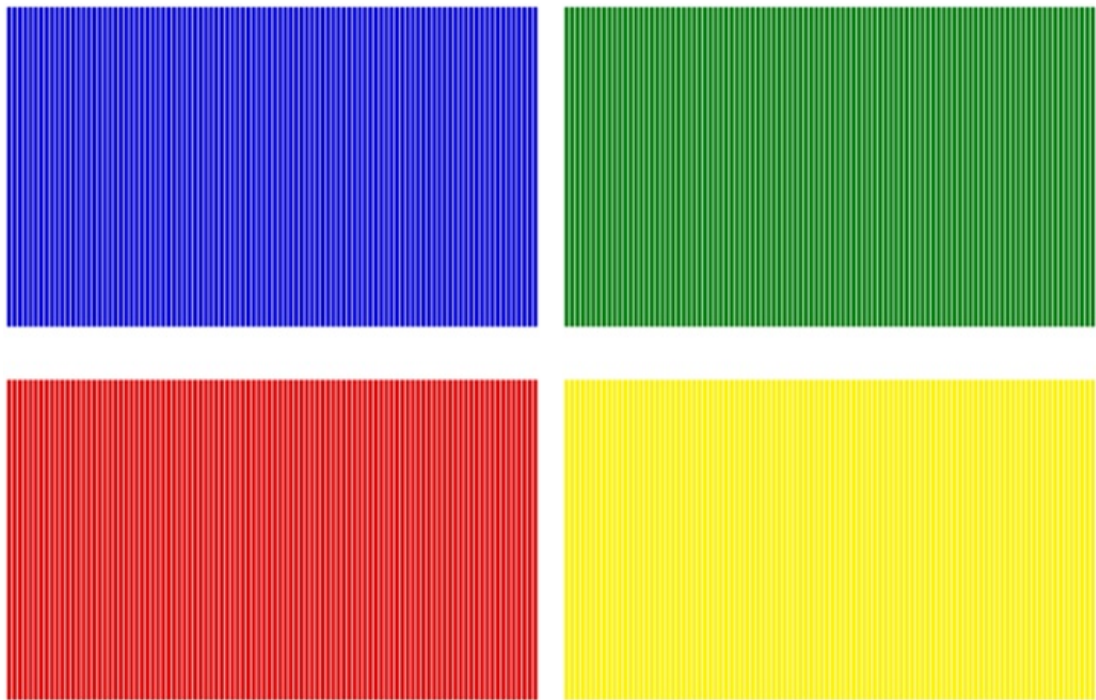


Finish

Exp(0.696)

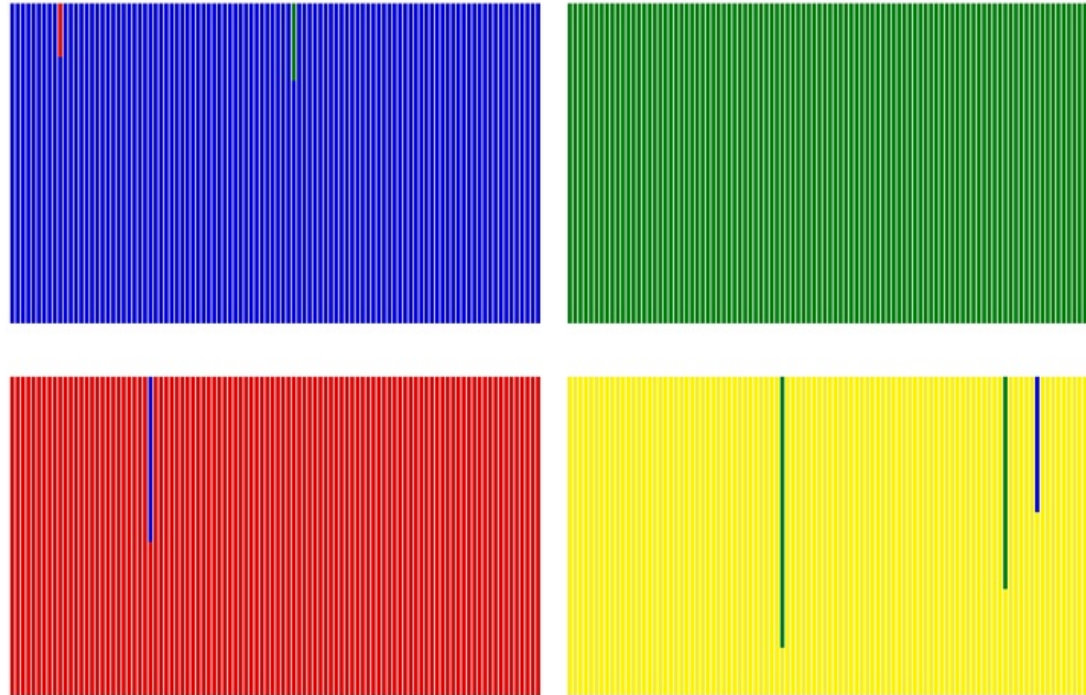
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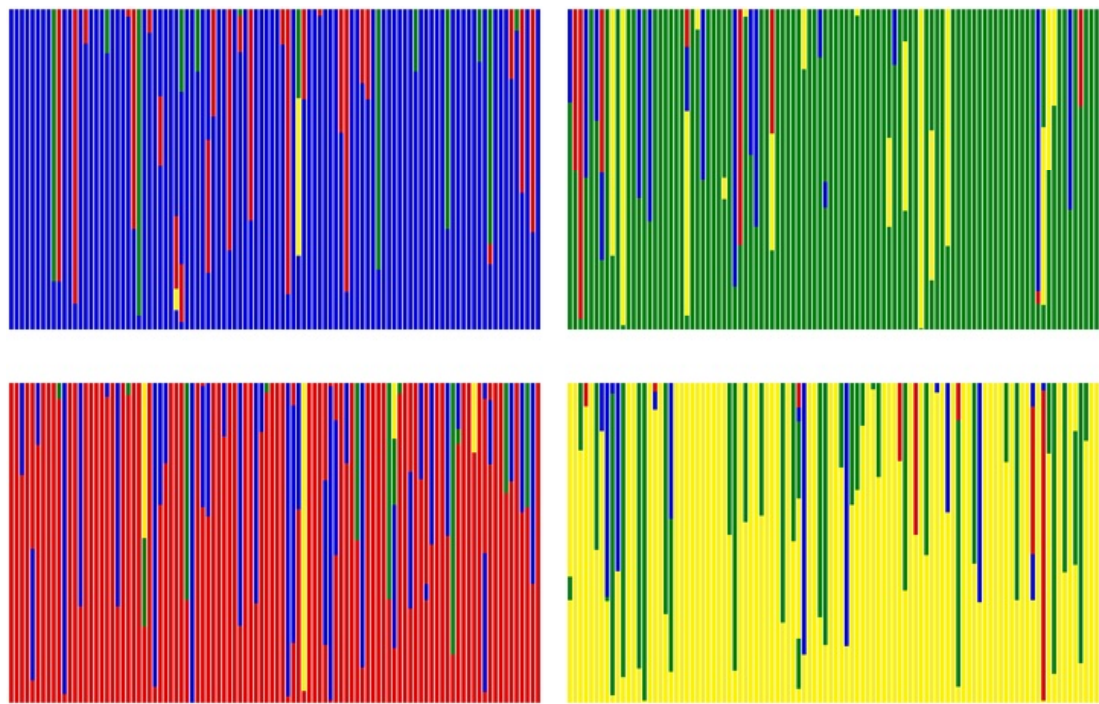
$P(0.00) =$

	A	C	G	T
A	1	0	0	0
C	0	1	0	0
G	0	0	1	0
T	0	0	0	1



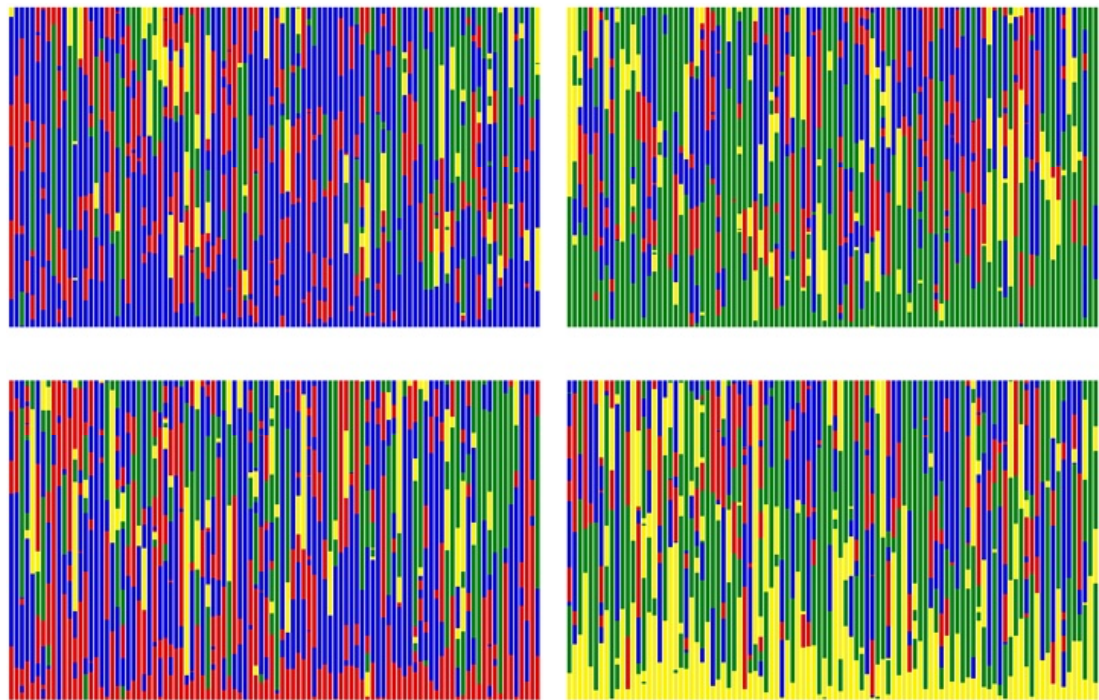
$P(0.01) =$

	A	C	G	T
A	0.9912	0.0019	0.0062	0.0006
C	0.0025	0.9931	0.0013	0.0031
G	0.0125	0.0019	0.9849	0.0006
T	0.0025	0.0094	0.0013	0.9868



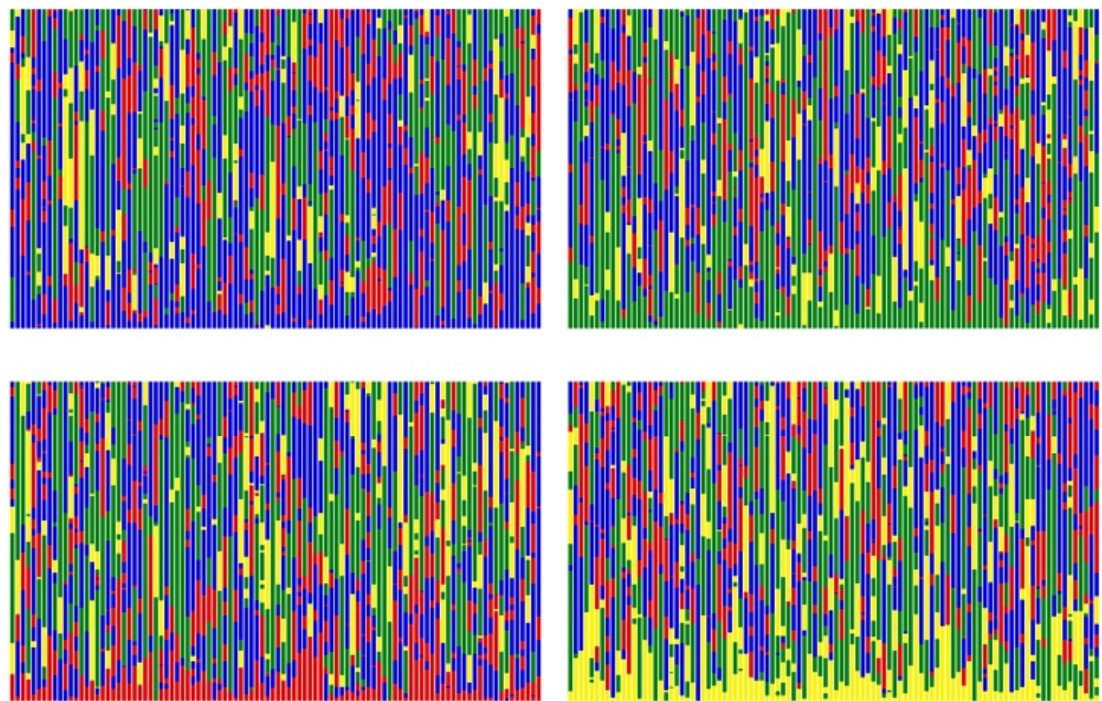
$P(0.50) =$

	A	C	G	T
A	0.7079	0.0813	0.1835	0.0271
C	0.1085	0.7377	0.0542	0.0995
G	0.367	0.0813	0.5244	0.0271
T	0.1085	0.2985	0.0542	0.5387



$P(5.00) =$

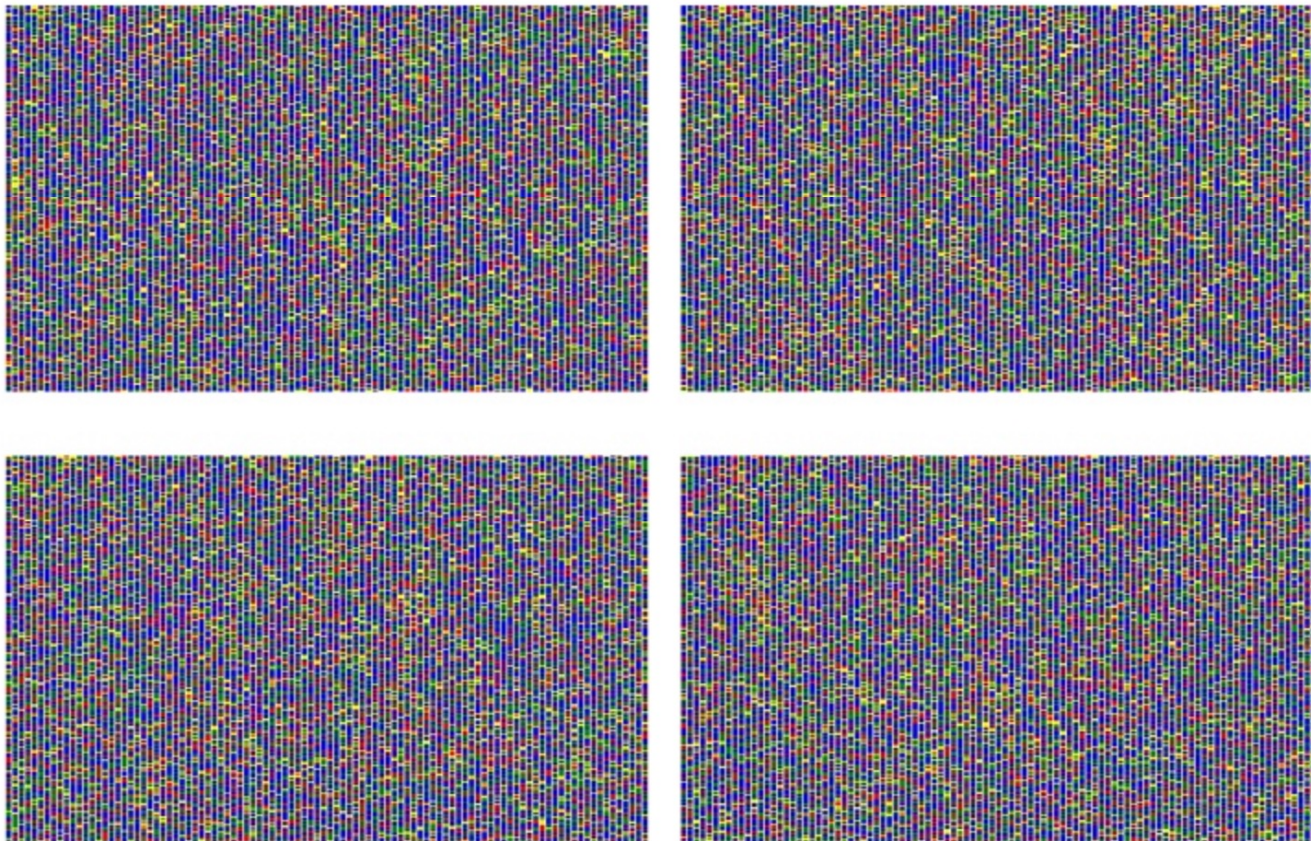
	A	C	G	T
A	0.4113	0.2873	0.2056	0.0957
C	0.3831	0.319	0.1915	0.1062
G	0.4112	0.2873	0.2056	0.0957
T	0.3831	0.3188	0.1915	0.1065



**P(10.00) =**

	A	C	G	T
A	0.4005	0.2994	0.2002	0.0998
C	0.3992	0.3008	0.1996	0.1002
G	0.4005	0.2994	0.2002	0.0998
T	0.3992	0.3008	0.1996	0.1002





Stationary  
distribution!

$$\pi_A = 0.4$$

$$\pi_C = 0.3$$

$$\pi_G = 0.2$$

$$\pi_T = 0.1$$

we start our  
likelihood  
with this probabilities

$P(1000.00) =$

	A	C	G	T
A	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
C	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
G	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
T	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1