3. Gene prediction

- All genes end on a stop codon
- A simple algorithm for gene prediction
- Searching for start and stop codons
- Predicting all the genes in a sequence
- Making the predictions more reliable
- Boyer-Moore algorithm
- Index and suffix trees
- Probabilistic methods
- Benchmarking the prediction methods
- Gene prediction in eukaryotic genomes



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Improving the performance of string searching

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 - Index
 - Prefix tree

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- Tables of index have to be built from the pattern
- The longer the pattern, the greater is the gain