

Sequence Analysis

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Discussion: 17. April 2015 (Ex. 1-3) and 21. April 2015 (Ex. 4-5)

Exercise 1.

Efficient searching with suffix arrays

In the lecture we discussed two strategies how to reduce the number of redundant character comparisons during a binary search. One uses the mlr values, while the other one makes use of lcp values. The mlr trick in practice already brings the running time to $O(m + \log n)$.

- Find a pair of pattern and text where the mlr trick still needs time $O(m \log n)$.
- For the same text and pattern perform the binary search using the lcp values.

Exercise 2.

Efficient searching with suffix arrays:

- Prove that using the lcp method the search algorithm does at most $O(m + \log n)$ character comparisons.

Exercise 3.

Suffix array construction:

- What is the worst-case runtime (number of character comparison) when the suffix array is computed with the quicksort algorithm?

Exercise 4.

Prove the following assumption stated in the script:

- For the fixed binary search tree used in the search for LP and RP compute the lcp values for its internal nodes using the array height. **The value at an internal node is the minimum of its successors**

Exercise 5.

Given a text T of length n , let $suftab'$ be the suffix array of T where suffixes are lexicographically ordered according to the first m letters for some $m < n$. Will the Kasai algorithm still compute the correct lcp values of adjacent suffixes in $suftab'$? Justify your answer!