## CMSC423: Chapter 9

Suffix tree, suffix arrays, Burrows Wheeler Transform

## Class so far...

- Deterministic searching (counting, clumps)
- Exact matching (KMP, Z algorithm)
- Randomized searching (Gibbs sampling)
- Branch and bound search (Proteomics)
- Dynamic programming for inexact matching
- This week: exact matching again, for indexing


## Stop and think

- Given a text $T$ and pattern $P$
- Find the longest prefix of $P$ that matches somewhere in $T$
- Note: KMP solves this for the prefix that is the whole $P$
- What if the whole of $P$ does not match?


## Stop and think...part 2

- Given text $T$ and pattern $P$
- Find the longest substring of $P$ that matches somewhere in T
- in $\mathrm{O}(\mathrm{n})$ time
- Substring - the characters are adjacent (unlike subsequence discussed last week)
- Note: dynamic programming solves the above in $\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{n}^{2}\right)$ time (pick the right weights and use local alignment)


## Solution...

- Note: Donald Knuth did not think $O(n)$ was possible
- Solution:
- Think of suffixes
- Each substring is a prefix of a suffix
- But we know how to solve longest prefix
- How do we organize suffixes?


## Many strings: trie

- Basic idea: if many strings share a same sequence only represent it once in the tree


Stop and think: How many nodes are in the suffix trie for a string of length $N$ ?

## Suffix tree

- Extends trie of all suffixes of a string
- Collapses non-branching nodes

| 1 | ATCATG |
| :--- | ---: |
| 2 | TCATG |
| 3 | CATG |
| 4 | ATG |
| 5 | TG |
| 6 | G |

Stop and think: How many nodes are in the suffix tree for a string of length $N$ ? How much memory do you need to store the suffix tree?

## Suffix tree ...cont

- To store in linear space - just store range in sequence instead of string
- To ensure suffixes end at leaves, add \$ char at end of string
- ATCATG\$



## Suffix trees for matching

- Suffix trees use O(n) space
- Suffix trees can be constructed in $O(n)$ time
- Is CAT part of ATCATG ?
- Match from root, char by char
- If run out of query - found match
- otherwise, there is no match
- intuition: CAT is the prefix of some suffix



## Other uses

- Finding repeats
- internal nodes with multiple children - DNA that occurs in multiple places in the genome
- Longest common substring of two strings
- build suffix tree of both strings. Find lowest internal node that has leaves from both strings
- or: build suffix tree on one string and use suffix links to find longest match
- Note: running time for matching is $\mathrm{O}(\mid$ Pattern $\mid)$, not O(|Pattern| + |Text|) (though $\mathrm{O}(|T e x t|)$ was spent in pre-processing)
- In KMP,runtime is $\mathrm{O}(|\mathrm{Text}|)$ with $\mathrm{O}(\mid$ Pattern |) preprocesssing


## Suffix arrays

- Suffix trees are expensive > 20 bytes / base
- Suffix arrays: lexicographically sort all suffixes

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\text { ATG } 4 \\
\text { ATCATG } 1 \\
\text { CATG } 3 \\
\text { G } 6 \\
\text { TCATG } 2 \\
\text { TG } 5
\end{array}
$$

- Can quickly find the correct suffix through binary search
- Stop and think: How long does it take to sort N strings of length L?


## Suffix arrays and compression

- Burrows-Wheeler transform


Note: characters in last column occur in same order as in first column
Useful for matching within BWT

## BWT - string matching

- Look for "BANA"
- Start at end (match right to left)
- Find character in rightmost column
- Identify corresponding range in first column
- Switch back to last column
- How do we know the first A in the pattern is the $2 \mathrm{nd} / 3 \mathrm{rd}$ from the top of the matrix?
- Note: add'I data needed: \# of times each letter appears before every pos'n
- Running time?

$\mathrm{O}(\operatorname{len}(\mathrm{P}))$ operations. Each may cost $\mathrm{O}(\log (\operatorname{len}(\mathrm{T})))$

