# More Applications of Suffix Trees

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### All Pairs Suffix-Prefix Matches

**Problem.** Given a set of strings  $S = \{s_1, ..., s_k\}$  of total length m, find **all** of the longest suffix-prefix exact matches.



### Notation & Main Idea

**Def.** L(v) := list of strings (indices) from S such that P(v) is a complete suffix.



**Algorithm**: find these deepest nodes for all  $s_i$  at once with a single traversal of the tree.

### Algorithm

- 1. Do a DFS on the generalized suffix tree
- 2. Maintain k stacks during the DFS that you update as follows:

When entering node v, push v onto all stacks in L(v). When backtracking out of v, pop all stacks in L(v).



each stack *i* will therefore contain the deepest node with *i*  $\in L(v)$  on the current DFS path from the root.

3. When you reach a node corresponding to a full string, output the depth of the nodes at the top of each stack.

### Runtime

**Thm.** Runtime of the preceding algorithm is  $O(m + k^2)$ 

*Proof.* Building the generalized suffix tree takes O(m) time.

The L(v) sets can be saved as you are building the suffix tree (when you add in a suffix for i, add it to L(v)).

There are O(m) indices in the union of the L(v) lists, so the total pop/push events take O(m).

There are k nodes at which you will output, and each output takes O(k) time, leading to O(k<sup>2</sup>) time for output.

### Ziv-Lempel Compression

Let S be a string of length m that we want to compress.

#### Notation.

b(i) := the longest string in S[1...i-1] that matches a prefix of S[i...m]

e(i) := |b(i)|



#### Algorithm:

- 1. walk down string from left to right.
- 2. when at position *i*, output (p(*i*), e(*i*)) instead of S[*i*...i+e(*i*)-1]
- 3. skip ahead to i := i + e(i)

## Computing p(i), e(i)

Build suffix tree on S, and at every node v, store:

c(v) := minimum suffix # in the subtree rooted at v



## Running time

#### Algorithm for p(*i*), e(*i*):

- 1. To compute p(i): walk down path spelling out S[i...m]
- 2. Stop when c(v) + depth(v) = i.
- 3. p(i) = c(v)
- 4. e(i) = depth(v)

#### Total running time to compress a string of length *m*:

- O(*m*) to built the suffix tree
- O(m) time (bottom up traversal) to compute c(v)
- O(e(i)) to search at position i, but each time you spend O(e(i)) time, you skip e(i) letters ⇒ O(m) total time.