# Extracting the Sparse Longest Common Prefix Array from the Suffix Binary Search Tree 



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- how to store their order?



## suffix binary search tree (SBST)



SBST of Irving and Love'03:
binary search tree representation
each node

- represents a position $p_{i}$
- stores a flag $\in\{L, R, \perp\}$
- the LCE with an ancestor


## running example

- ISA : inverse suffix array
- SA: suffix array
- LCP : LCP array

| $i$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $T[i]$ | c | a | a | t | c | a | c | g | g | t | c | g | g | a | c |
| ISA $[i]$ | 6 | 1 | 4 | 14 | 7 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 13 | 15 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 2 | 5 |


| $r$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
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| $\mathrm{SA}[r]$ | 2 | 14 | 6 | 3 | 15 | 1 | 5 | 11 | 7 | 13 | 12 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 10 |
| $\mathrm{LCP}[r]$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |



## closest left/right ancestors

let $v$ be a node

- cla ${ }_{v}$ : lowest node having $v$ as a descendant in its left subtree
- cra $_{v}$ : lowest node having $v$ as a descendant in its right subtree
$\Rightarrow$ either cla ${ }_{v}$ or cra $v$ is $v$ 's parent


LCE value $m_{v}$ and flag $d_{v}$
$\mathrm{ca}_{v}:=\operatorname{argmax}_{u \in\left\{\text { cla }_{v}, \text { crav }_{v}\right\}} \operatorname{lce}(v, u)$
if $c a_{v}=\operatorname{cla}_{v}$, then $m_{v}=\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cla}_{v}\right), d_{v}=L$.
if $c a_{v}=c r a{ }_{v}$, then $m_{v}=\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cra}_{v}\right), d_{v}=R$.
if $c a_{v}$ is undefined, then $m_{v}=0, d_{v}=\perp$.




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\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{e} & : \text { neither left child nor cra } \\
v & \text { exists } \\
& \Rightarrow \mathrm{LCP}[\mathrm{ISA}[v]]=0 \\
r & : d_{v}=\mathrm{R} \Rightarrow \mathrm{LCP}[\operatorname{ISA}[v]] \geq m_{v}
\end{aligned}
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rules:
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- rules e, r, I can be computed in constant time per node.
- how to compute rules $d$ and $a$ ?
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$$

- goal: maintain lce $\left(\right.$ cra $_{v}$, cla $_{v}$ ) for each node $v$ to process

stack $S$
maintain stack $S$ of LCE values such that, on visiting node $v, S$ stores lce(cla $u$, cra $_{u}$ ) of all ancestors $u$ of $v$.

$$
S=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\text { lce }\left(\operatorname{cra}_{1}, \operatorname{cla}_{1}\right)=0,
\end{array}\right.
$$

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\operatorname{lce}\left(\operatorname{cra}_{11}, \operatorname{cla}_{11}\right)=1
\end{array}
$$

\}

- why helpful?
- how computable?


## known facts

1. $u, v, w \in[1 . . n]$ with $T[u ..] \prec T[v.] \prec T[w .$.

$$
\Rightarrow \operatorname{lce}(u, w)=\min (\operatorname{lce}(u, v), \operatorname{lce}(v, w))
$$

2. $T\left[\right.$ cra $\left._{v .}.\right] \prec T[v ..] \prec T\left[\right.$ cla $\left._{v} ..\right]$ (assume cla ${ }_{v}$ and cra $_{v}$ exist)

## lemma

given

- lce(cla ${ }_{v}$, cra $\left._{v}\right)$ and
- $m_{v}=\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{ca}_{v}\right)$,
we can compute

- lce ( $v, \operatorname{cla}_{v}$ ) and
- lce $\left(v, \operatorname{cra}_{v}\right)$ in constant time.


## proof of lemma

w wlog., $d_{v}=\mathrm{L}$, and clav and cra ${ }_{v}$ exist

$$
\Rightarrow c a_{v}=\text { cla }_{v}
$$

hence:

- $\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cla}_{v}\right)=\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{ca}_{v}\right)=m_{v}$

- $\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cra}_{v}\right)=\operatorname{lce}\left(\operatorname{cla}_{v}, \operatorname{cra}_{v}\right)$
the latter is because of Facts 1 and 2:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{lce}\left(\operatorname{cra}_{v}, \operatorname{cla}_{v}\right) & =\min \left(\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cra}_{v}\right), \operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cla}_{v}\right)\right) \\
& =\operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cra}_{v}\right) \leq \operatorname{lce}\left(v, \operatorname{cla}_{v}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## corollary: how to compute stack $S$

given:

- value lce $\left(\right.$ cla $_{v}$, cra $\left._{v}\right)$
- $x$ : $v$ 's left child


## then:

- cla $_{x}=v$ and cra $_{x}=$ cra $_{v}$
$\Rightarrow$ lce $\left(\right.$ cla $_{x}$, cra $\left._{x}\right)=\operatorname{lce}\left(v\right.$, cra $\left._{v}\right)$
computable in constant time by
lemma
(right child analogously by symmetry)
$\Rightarrow$ can maintain stack $S$ during a top-down traversal in constant time per node.


## subarray extraction

can compute $\operatorname{SLCP}[\ell, r]$ in $\mathcal{O}(h+(r-\ell))$ time, where $h$ is the tree's height.

- augment tree with subtree sizes
- can find node $\ell$ by top-down traversal (while maintaining $S$ )
- can start in-order traversal at node $\ell$
- stop traversal when arriving at node $r$
- number of visited nodes is $\mathcal{O}(h)+r-\ell$, and each node is processed in constant time.


## summary

suffix binary search tree by Irving and Love'03

- maintains ranks of $m$ suffixes
- $\mathcal{O}(m)$ space (each node stores 2 integers +1 bit)
- construction needs $\mathcal{O}(m h)$ LCE queries ( $h$ : height)
- can be made balanced ( $h=\mathcal{O}(\lg m)$ )
- used for sparse suffix sorting by Fischer+'20
- $\mathcal{O}\left(c(\sqrt{\lg \sigma}+\lg \lg n)+m \lg m \lg n \lg ^{*} n\right)$ time
- c: lower bound on number of characters needed to compare
- $\mathcal{O}(m)$ space
( $n$ : text length, $\sigma$ : alphabet size)
our contribution: can extract
- SSA[i..i+ $\ell-1]$ and
- SLCP $[i . . i+\ell-1]$ in $\mathcal{O}(h+\ell)$ time
any questions are always very welcome!


## open problems

- memory-efficient representations of suffix binary search trees?
- time-efficient implementation via $B$ trees
- balanced by construction

B+ variants have good memory locality

- can we merge two trees efficiently?


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