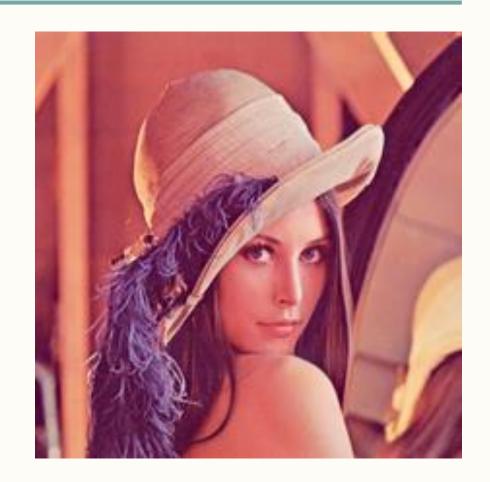


# Lower Bounds for the Number of Repetitions in 2D Strings

Motivation

Combinatorial properties of repetitions in 2*D* strings



The number of distinct squares in a string of length n

> Squares

- $\triangleright$  A string of length n contains at most ??? distinct squares:
  - $\geq 2n$  Fraenkel and Simpson 1998
  - $\geq 2n \Theta(\log n)$  Ilie 2007
  - > 11/6n Deza, Franck, and Thierry 2015
  - > 1.5n Thierry 2020 (preprint)
- The irrelevance of the alphabet size in solving the square conjecture Manea and Seki 2015
- For each value of n, there exists a string of length n containing at least n o(n) distinct squares Fraenkel and Simpson 1998

conjectured to be n

The number of runs in a string of length n

Runs

bcabcabcabcddefefefefeg

- $\triangleright$  A string of length n contains at most ??? runs:
  - > 0(n) Kolpakov and Kucherov 1999
  - > 5*n* Rytter 2007
  - > 3.48n Puglisi, Simpson, and Smyth 2008
  - $\geq$  1.6n Crochemore and Ilie 2008
  - > 1.52n Giraud 2008
  - $\geq 1.029n$  Crochemore, Ilie, and Tinta 2011
  - > n Bannai, I, Inenaga, Nakashima, Takeda, and Tsuruta 2017

The number of runs in a string of length n

> Runs



- $\triangleright$  A binary string of length n contains at most ??? runs:
  - $\gg n-3$  Bannai, I, Inenaga, Nakashima, Takeda, and Tsuruta 2014
  - $\geq 0.957n$  Fisher, Holub, I, and Lewenstein 2015
  - > 0.9482n Holub 2017

The number of runs in a string of length n

Runs



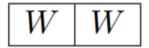
- For each value of n, there exists a string of length n containing at least  $\ref{least}$  runs:
  - >  $\frac{3}{1+\sqrt{5}}n\sim0.927n$  Franck and Yang 2006
  - > 0.944542n Kusano, Mtsubara, Ishino, Bannai, Shinohara 2008
  - > 0.944565n Mtsubara, Kusano, Ishino, Bannai, Shinohara 2008
  - > 0.944575712n Simpsone 2010

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# Repetitions in 2D strings

The number of distinct tandems in a string of size  $n \times n$ 

> Tandems



| а | b | a | b | b |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| а | а | a | а | a |
| а | b | a | b | С |
| С | d | С | d | С |
| e | f | е | f | С |
| a | а | а | а | d |

> Apostolico and Brimkov 2000

#### **Primitive**



$$\Theta(n^2 \log^2 n)$$

> Charalampopoulos, Radoszewski, Rytter, Waleń, and Zuba 2020

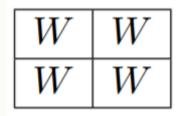
$$\Theta(n^3)$$
 Alphabet size = n

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# Repetitions in 2D strings

The number of distinct quartics in a string of size  $n \times n$ 

Quartics



| а | b | а | a | b |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| а | а | a | а | a |
| а | b | а | b | С |
| а | а | a | а | С |
| а | b | а | b | С |
| а | а | а | а | d |

Apostolico and Brimkov 2000





$$\Theta(n^2 \log n)$$

➤ Charalampopoulos, Radoszewski, Rytter, Waleń, and Zuba 2020

$$O(n^2 \log^2 n)$$

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# Repetitions in 2D strings

The number of runs in a string of size  $n \times n$ 

Runs

| W   | <br>W   | W'   |
|-----|---------|------|
|     | <br>    |      |
| W   | <br>W   | W'   |
| W'' | <br>W'' | W''' |

Amir, Landau, Marcus, and Sokol 2018

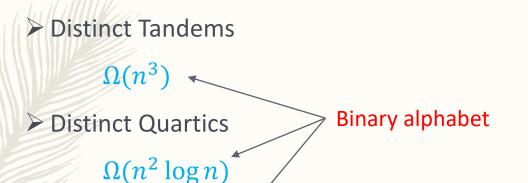
| b | b | b | b | b | b |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| а | b | а | b | а | b |
| а | а | а | а | а | b |
| а | b | а | b | а | b |
| а | а | а | а | а | b |
| а | b | а | b | а | b |
| С | С | С | С | а | b |

 $O(n^3)$  and  $\Omega(n^2)$ 

> Charalampopoulos, Radoszewski, Rytter, Waleń, and Zuba 2020

$$O(n^2 \log^2 n)$$

#### 10 Our results



Runs  $\Omega(n^2 \log n)$ 

Theorem: There exists an infinite family of  $n \times n$  binary 2D strings containing  $\Omega(n^2 \log n)$  runs.

| W   | <br>W   | W'   |
|-----|---------|------|
|     | <br>    |      |
| W   | <br>W   | W'   |
| W'' | <br>W'' | W''' |

$$A_1, A_2, ..., A_l$$

 $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_l$   $A_i$  of size  $N_i \times N_i$ 

$$A_i = f(A_{i-1})$$

$$N_1 = 8$$

$$R_1 = 1$$

#### $A_1$

| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

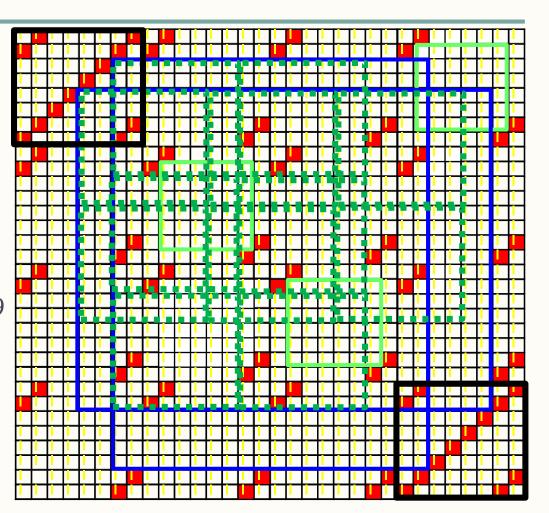
 $A_2$ 

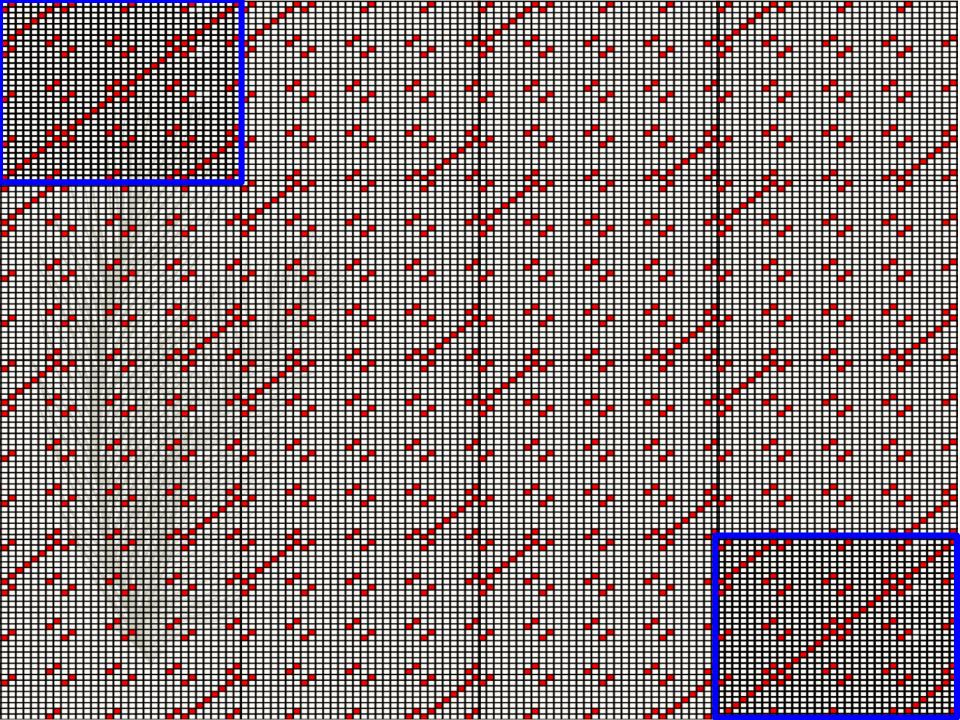
$$N_2 = 4 \cdot N_1 = 4 \cdot 8 = 32$$

$$14 \cdot R_1 = 14$$

$$R_2 = (N_1 - 1)^2 = 7^2 = 49$$

$$T_2 = R_2 + 14 \cdot R_1 = 63$$





$$R_3 = (N_2 - 1)^2 = 31^2$$

$$T_3 = R_3 + 14 \cdot R_2 + 216 \cdot R_1$$

 $\overline{14 \cdot 14 + 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5}$ 

$$A_i$$

Columns/rows:  $N_i = 2 \cdot 4^i$ 

New runs:  $R_i = (N_{i-1} - 1)^2 = (2 \cdot 4^{i-1} - 1)^2$ 

 $X_j$  = the number of copies of  $A_j$  in  $A_i$  for  $1 \le j \le i$  $X_i = 1, X_{i-1} = 14, X_{i-2} = 216$ 

Total runs:  $T_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i} X_j \cdot R_j = \sum_{j=1}^{i} X_j \cdot (2 \cdot 4^{j-1} - 1)^2$ 

 $A_l$ 

 $A_l$  is of size  $n \times n$  where:

$$n = 2 \cdot 4^l$$

$$\forall_j X_j \ge \frac{5}{6} \cdot 16^{l-j}$$

$$T_{l} = \sum_{j=1}^{l} X_{j} \cdot (2 \cdot 4^{j-1} - 1)^{2} \ge \sum_{j=1}^{l} \frac{5}{6} \cdot 16^{l-j} (2 \cdot 4^{j-1} - 1)^{2}$$

Theorem: There exists an infinite family of  $n \times n$  binary 2D strings containing  $\Omega(n^2 \log n)$  runs.

# 17 Summary

#### 1D strings:

- $racklesize n o(n) \le \# Squares \le n$  conjectured to be n
- $> 0.944575712n \le \#Runs \le n$

#### 2D strings:

- $> n^3 \le \text{\#Tandems} \le n^3$
- $> n^2 \log n \le \text{\#Quartics} \le n^2 \log^2 n$
- $> n^2 \log n \le \# \text{Runs} \le n^2 \log^2 n$

## 18 Future directions

- Reducing the gap for quartics and/or runs.
- > Repetitions in 3D strings.
- Different notions of repetitions.



