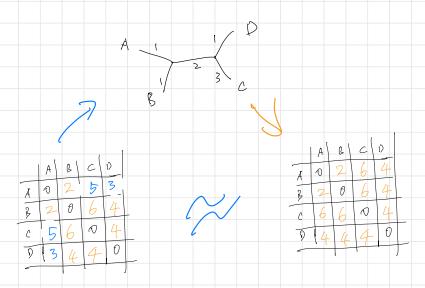
Review

1. Distance - based phylogeny



2. How to get a good distance

- # of mutations - edit distance

- Information dristance.

3. phylogeny V.S. Classification.

Suffix Tree and Array

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# String Matching

• So far we learned how to find "approximate" matches – the alignments. And they are difficult. Finding exact matches are much easier.

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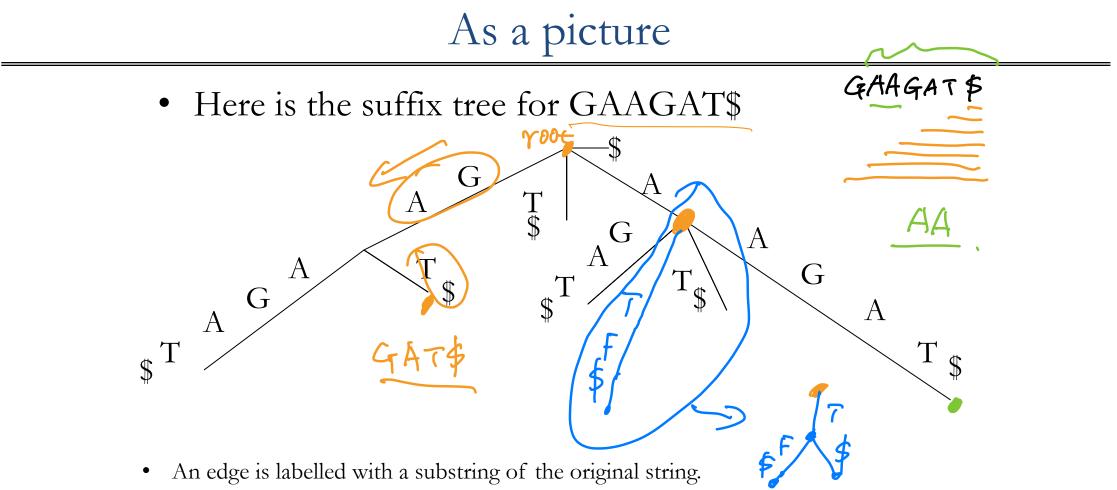
- To search for a short string P of length m in a large text T of length n.
- Applications:
  - Keyword searching
  - DNA reads mapping
- Type I: Match only once.
  - E.g. KMP algorithm and Apostolico-Giancarlo algorithm.
  - O(m) to preprocess, and O(n) to match.
- Type II: Match multiple patterns multiple times.
  - Better index T first to speed up the matching time.

# Things To Study

- Suffix tree and array are two data structures for this purpose.
- Suffix Tree
  - Data structure
  - A few examples of using suffix tree to solve practical problems.
- Suffix Array
  - Data structure
  - The skew algorithm for constructing suffix array.

# A Little History

- 1973, Weiner introduced the concept of suffix tree (position tree), which Donald Knuth subsequently characterized as "Algorithm of the Year 1973".
- 1990, Gene Myers and Udi Manber proposed suffix array.
  - Gene Myers: former VP Informatics Research at Celera Genomics
  - Udi Manber: VP engineering, Google.
- 1992, Gonnet, Baeza-Yates & Snider independently discovered suffix array (called PAT array).
  - Gaston Gonnet: cofounders Maplesoft and OpenText.
  - Baeza-Yates: VP for Yahoo! Europe and Latin America.

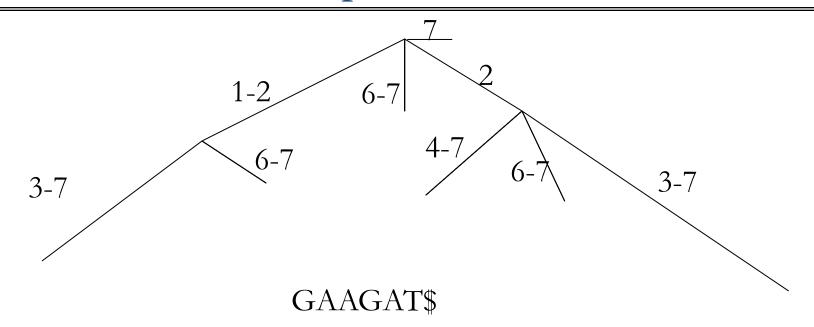


- A **node**'s label is the concatenation of all edge labels for the path leading to that node.
- The path from the root, r, to any leaf x is a suffix of the string S.
- Suppose there is a special "end-of-string" character, each suffix will end at the leaf.
- Each internal node has at least 2 children.
- Edge labels to the child nodes of an internal node start with different letters.

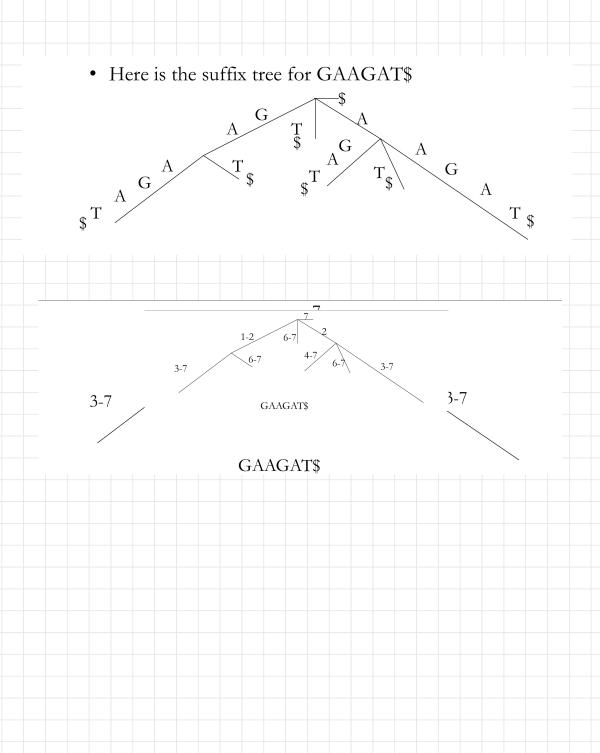
## Application I. Search for a substring.

- Any substring of S is a **prefix** of a **suffix**.
- Example of using this: Is the string *x* a substring of S?
  - Start at the root, and follow paths labelled by the characters of *x*. If you can get to the end of *x*, then yes, it is.

#### Linear Space Structure

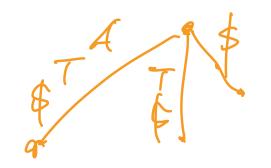


- Each edge doesn't need to be labelled with a string, but just with starting and ending in the sequence.
- This is the same suffix tree as before, but in **linear space**.



#### How to construct a suffix tree?

- There is a linear time algorithm to construct a suffix tree. (We will not study it.)
- We'll examine a quadratic-time algorithm (quite intuitive).
- The idea is to
  - Start with an empty tree.
  - Iteratively add more suffices into the tree (from shortest to longest).



A T\$

## One round

Suppose the following is the suffix tree for GAAGA\$, add another suffix AGAAGA\$. G \$ А А А G \$ \$ G

- First, follow the edges for A and for GA from the root.
- Then split after the A since the only path in the tree is for \$, and we have an A, instead.
- Add a new edge for AGA\$. •

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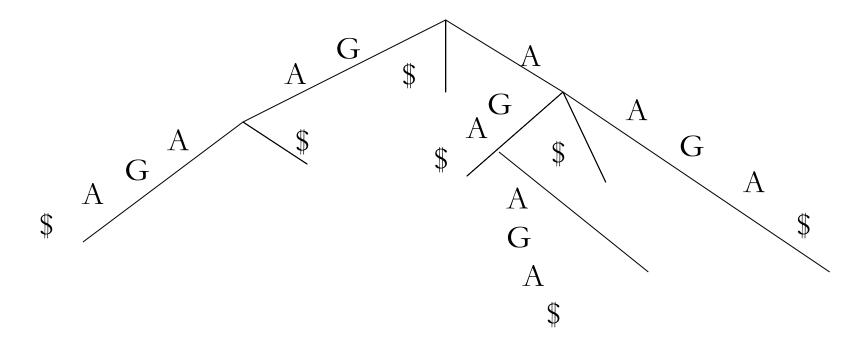
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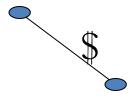
New tree

• This yields this new tree for AGAAGA\$



## Quadratic Time Construction

- Given: A string S of length *m* over a finite alphabet. The last character of S is a unique \$ character.
- We'll build the suffix tree from right to left.
  - S[m..m], S[m-1..m], S[m-2..m], .....
- Begin with this tree:



- Then, for i = m downto 1:
- Follow the letters of S[i...m] along the edges of the tree T.
- When we reach a point where no path exists, break the current edge and add a new edge for what is left.
- Time complexity:  $O(m^2)$ . (Remember: The best algorithm has linear time.)

#### Application II: Longest Common Substring

- What's the longest substring common to both  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ ?
- Straightforward algorithm will try to compare all substrings of equal length. This takes cubic time.
- Can we do better?





match = 1mismatch  $= -\infty$ inde  $[= -\infty]$ 

local alignment.

#### Longest Common Substring with Suffix Tree

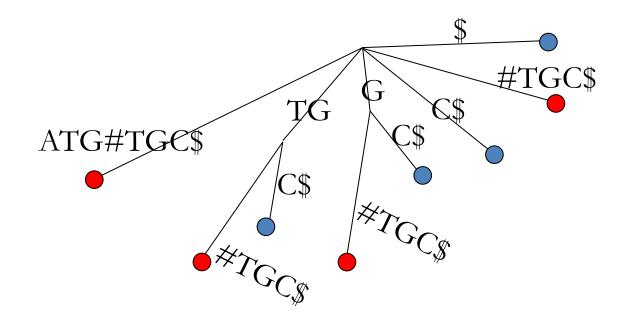
- Build a suffix tree for  $S=S_1 \# S_2$  where # and \$ are unique characters.
- All suffixes of  $S_1$  end with an edge including  $\#S_2$ . So we can label whether a leaf belongs to  $S_1$  or  $S_2$
- Substrings are prefixes of suffixes, i.e. internal and leaf nodes of the tree.
- Each common substring is the prefix of at least two suffixes, each from an input string (S<sub>1</sub> or S<sub>2</sub>).

sinternal mode mixed color Longest? #TGC\$ TG ATG#T common substring

## Example



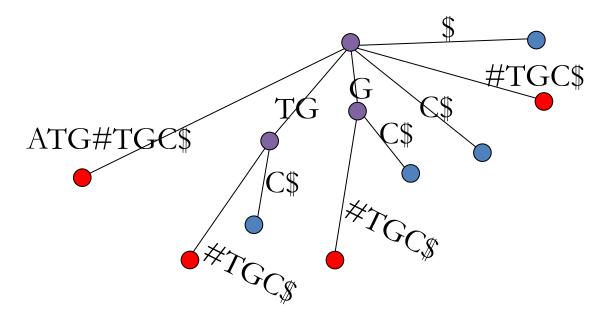
Step 1. Label leaves as red or blue, depending on whether it is a suffix starting in first or second string.



## Example

#### ATG#TGC\$

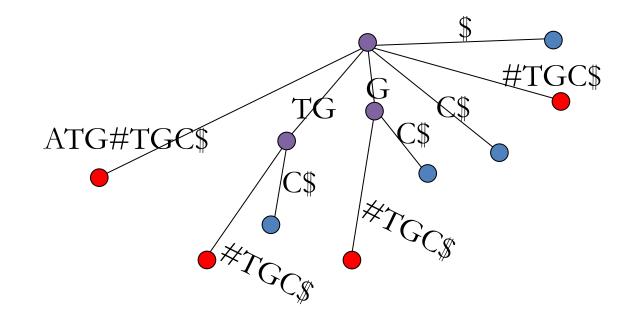
Step 2. In a bottom up order, label internal nodes. If all child nodes have the same color, label it with the same color; If not, label it with purple.



## Example



Step 3. Find the purple node with the longest path to the root.



#### Algorithm Summary

- 1. Build suffix tree of  $S_1 # S_2$
- 2. Color all leaf nodes
  - red if v's label is a substring of  $S_1$
  - blue if it's a substring of  $S_2$
- 3. Color all internal nodes from bottom up
  - red (or blue) if all child nodes are red (or blue)
  - purple if otherwise
- 4. Find the purple node with longest path label.
- Complexity: Linear time, linear space.
- Sketch proof of correctness:
  - Let t be the longest common substring. Follow the path label t starting from the root. The path can't stop in the middle of the edge otherwise t is not the longest. Then the path has to stop at an internal node. And it has to be purple.

## Application III: Maximal Unique Match

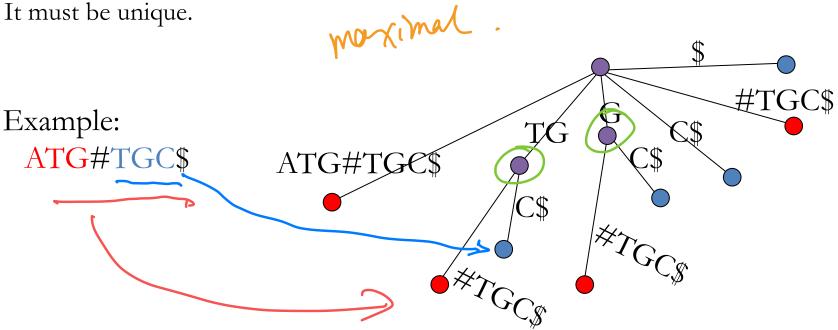
## Maximal Unique Matches

- Given two strings, a MUM (Maximal Unique Match) is a string that occurs exactly once in each string, and is maximal (can't be extended either way and still be a match).
- vs. AGATC • E.g. ATGAAT

  - AT is not not unique
    G is not not monximel : GA is longer.
  - GA is a MUM.
  - ) is a mum.

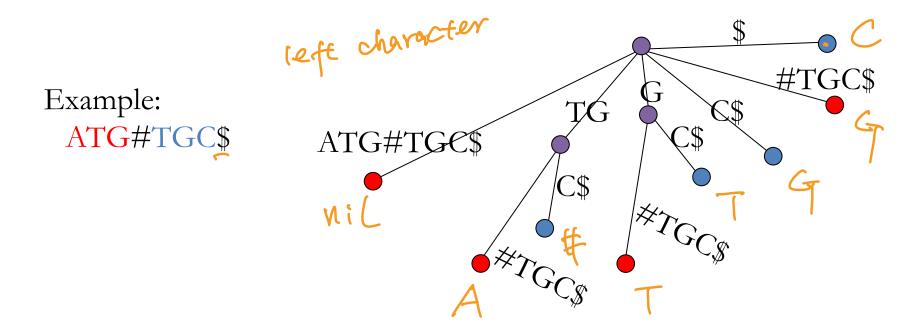
#### How to find mums?

- Build a suffix tree for  $S_1 # S_2$ \$ ٠
- Color the nodes as in the longest common substring algorithm. •
- Each MUM must be a purple internal node that has exactly two leaf children: • one red and one blue. D unique
  - It is shared by the two strings.
  - It can't extend to the right by an additional letter and still be shared.
  - It must be unique.



#### How to find mums?

- But a purple internal node may not be a MUM: only because the two occurrences may still extend to the left.
  - Node G is not: For G's two occurrences, the left character are both T.
  - Node TG is: For TG's two occurrences, the left characters are A and #, respectively.
- But it is easy to compute the left character of each leaf
  - It is a suffix, and we know its path's starting position in the original string.



## Summary

- Build a suffix tree for  $S_1 # S_2$ .
- For each leaf v, define left(v) be the letter at left of suffix v.
- Find the internal nodes that
  - Have exactly two child leaves
  - The two child leaves are two suffixes from S1 and from S2, respectively.
  - The two child leaves must have two different left characters.
- Linear time.
- After find all MUMs, use them as anchor to speed up global alignment.

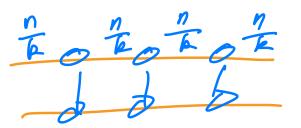
#### MUMMER: Large-scale Global Alignment

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- Large-scale global alignment
- Idea:
- Pick some "anchors" through which the true alignment is very likely to fall.
- Align the regions between the anchors either recursively or just using classical global alignment tools.  $\binom{n}{2}f(\frac{n}{2})^2 = \frac{n^2}{2} \int (n^2)^2 dn^2$
- MUMs are good anchors: maximal, unique, match.
- First program that does so: MUMMER by Delcher et al.

$$k \cdot \left(\frac{n}{k}\right)^2 = \frac{n^2}{k}$$



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- Suffix tree is not a compact data structure.
  - A lot of pointers
- Gene Myers and Udi Manber (VP enginnering, Google) proposed suffix array.
- A suffix array stores the positions in a string. Each position is an integer so this is a length n integer array.
- Each position corresponds to a suffix starting at this position.
- The suffix array is sorted according to the string order of the corresponding suffixes.

Suffix Array 
$$(n^2 - \log n)$$
 for sorting.  
• AGAAGAT  
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String Matching

- Binary search to find substring of length m.
  - O(m log n) if implemented straightforwardly
  - O(m + log n) if with an auxiliary data structure called longest common prefix (LCP) array. We do not study this but you should be aware of this fact.