

On Arithmetically Progressed Suffix Arrays

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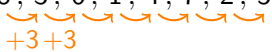


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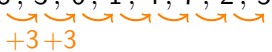
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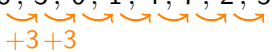
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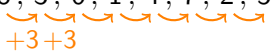


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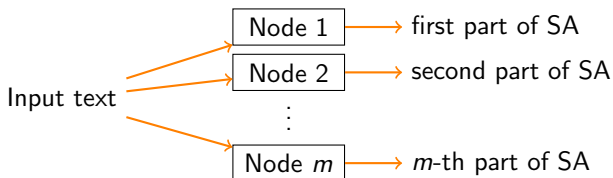
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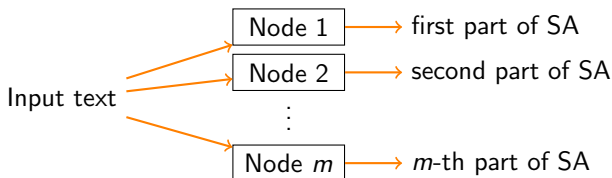
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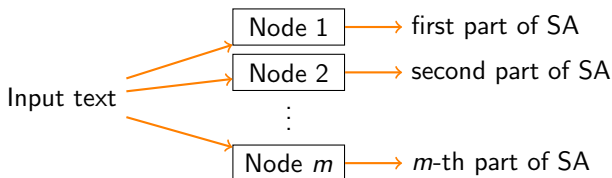
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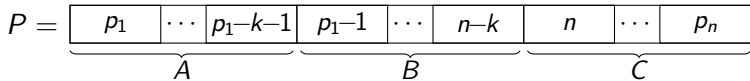
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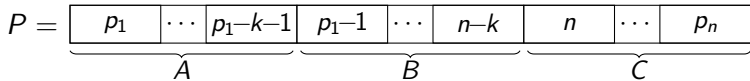
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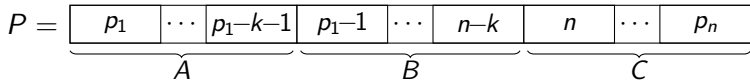
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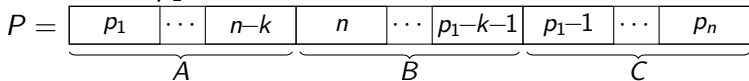


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▶ Note: If $n < p_1 - 1 \pmod n$ then



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Relation between Permutation and Min. Alphabet Size

p_1	k	Min. Size of Σ	Properties
1		2	Lyndon word, simple BWT
$k + 1$		2	period $(n - k)^*$
n	$\neq (n - 1)$	2	period $(n - k)^*$, simple BWT
n	$= (n - 1)$	1	trivially periodic*, simple BWT
$\notin \{1, k + 1, n\}$		3	simple BWT

Characterization of strings over the alphabet Σ whose suffix array is an arithmetically progressed with ration k .

All words are unique over an alphabet of minimal size.

Properties marked with * only apply to the word over the minimal alphabet.

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BWT matrix

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Let T be a string with an arithmetically progressed suffix array SA := [p₁, ..., p_n] with ratio k and T[p₁ - k - 1] ≠ T[p₁ - 1]. Then the BWT of T defined on the BWT matrix coincides with the BWT of T defined on the suffix array.

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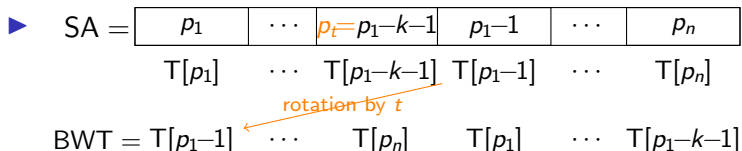
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 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_A$ $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_B$ $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_C$

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Summary

- ▶ For an arithmetically progressed permutation P there is a string T over a unary, binary or ternary alphabet with $SA_T = P$.
- ▶ We described a class of strings for which the shape of the suffix array (and BWT) is known.
- ▶ Outlook
 - ▶ Arithmetic properties can be considered for other integer arrays, such as the LCP array, prefix table, border table, ...