

Sequence Analysis 3

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Exercise 1 (Apply the skew Algorithm)

Apply the *skew* Algorithm, including recursive steps to $S = aaaaa$.

Exercise 2 (Why the recursion works (adapted from Ohlebusch, 2013))

For $i \neq j$ with $i \not\equiv 1 \pmod 3$ and $j \not\equiv 1 \pmod 3$, prove that $S_i < S_j$ if and only if $\bar{S}_{\tau(i)} < \bar{S}_{\tau(j)}$ where \bar{S} is the concatenation of $[\bar{i} | i \leq 1 \leq n, i \equiv 2 \pmod 3]$ and $[\bar{i} | i \leq 1 \leq n, i \equiv 3 \equiv 0 \pmod 3]$ with \bar{i} the lexicographic name of the 3-mer at position i and

$$\tau(i) = \begin{cases} \frac{i+1}{3} & \text{if } i \equiv 2 \pmod 3 \\ \frac{n+i}{3} & \text{if } i \equiv 0 \pmod 3 \end{cases} .$$

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Exercise 3 (Why 3-mers and not 2-mers?)

You may have been wondering (as I have) why the skew algorithm uses 3-mers and not 2-mers. Try to modify the algorithm, such that it uses 2-mers instead, that is, split the suffix set into two parts based on whether $i \equiv 1 \pmod 2$ and then sort the Suffixes with $i \not\equiv 1 \pmod 2$ based on the lexicographic name of the 2-mers, etc.

Where does this procedure fail?

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