

1. Show how to compute the lcp array, given a word  $w$  and its corresponding SA array, in linear time. Recall that  $\text{lcp}[i]$  is the length of the longest common prefix of  $w[\text{SA}[i-1]..n]$  and  $w[\text{SA}[i]..n]$ , for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$ .
2. Given two strings  $s$  and  $t$ , we are interested in computing the length of their longest common substring, which is a string occurring in both  $s$  and  $t$ . Show how to solve this problem in linear time using the suffix array. You can assume that the lcp array is available, too.
3. Given a permutation on  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , we want to find a word  $w \in \Sigma^n$  such that its suffix array  $\text{SA}_w$  is exactly the given permutation.
  - (a) Show a linear time algorithm solving the problem for  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ .
  - (b) For extra credit: show a linear time algorithm solving the problem for  $\Sigma = \{a, b, \dots, z\}$ .
- (2 points) 4. A set  $B \subseteq [0, t)$  is called a difference cover modulo  $t$  when, for every  $x, y \in [0, t)$ , there exists  $\delta \in [0, t)$  such that  $x + \delta, y + \delta \in B$ . Construct a difference cover of size  $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{t})$ . What is the smallest  $c$  such that you can obtain a difference cover of size  $c\sqrt{t} + \mathcal{O}(1)$ ?
5. Assume that you are given a word  $w$  and its suffix array (with the lcp information). Show how to count the number of **different** nonempty subwords of  $w$ , i.e., calculate  $|\{s[i..j] : 1 \leq i \leq j \leq |w|\}|$  in  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  time. For instance,  $aaab$  has 7 different subwords.