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Problem 1. Suppose you need to sort 10 million integers, each in the range 0 to 2^{40} . How would you do it? Which method, among the ones we have seen, gives the smallest tilde time complexity.

Problem 2. Describe an input instance for which MSD is much faster than LSD.

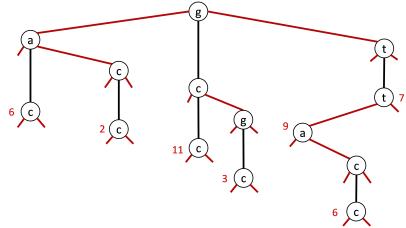
Problem 3. When is 3-way string quickSort the preferred sorting method?

Problem 4. Construct a set S of strings in lowercase (R=26) for which the R-way trie uses space (in words) less than the total number of characters in strings in S. (The number of characters in the set $\{abc, bcd, aabd\}$ is 10.)

Problem 5. (Final exam 2018) Hakið við alla eiginleika sem gilda fyrir þríundatræ (R=3) sem inniheldur N strengi af meðallengd w. / Check all the properties that hold for a trinary trie (R=3) that contains N strings of average length w.

- a) Leit sem heppnast ekki tekur tíma (í fjölda stafasamanburða) sem er réttu hlutfalli við lengd leitarlykilsins. / A search hit takes time (in character comparisons) proportional to the length of the search key.
- b) Það er erfitt að eyða lyklum úr træinu. / Deleting a key is difficult.
- c) Plássnotkunin er mun meiri en hjá jafngildu TST. / The space usage is significantly larger than an equivalent ternary search trie (TST).
- d) Fjöldi tómra linka getur verið meiri en Nw. / The number of empty links can be larger than Nw.

Problem 6. (Final exam 2017) Consider the following Ternary Search Trie (TST), where the values are shown next to the nodes of the corresponding string keys.



- a) List the keys stored in the trie, in alphabetical order.
- b) Give one possible order in which the keys were inserted into the trie:

c) Insert the key tag into the trie, with value 5. Show or describe how the trie changes.

Problem 7. Suppose you have a set X of one million DNA strings of length 20, and a long string S (a genome) of length 10^9 . You want to answer which of the short strings occur in S as substrings.

- a) How long would it take to search for each string from X in S individually? (Assume, say, that your computer can perform 10^9 character comparisons per second.)
- b) Explain how to achieve this efficiently using a trie. Estimate the amount of time it would take.

CLASS EXERCISES

These questions will be addressed during exercise class. They are not to be turned in.

Problem 8. Suppose you have a trie with R = 26 (lowercase letters) and insert into it the words: tic, tac, toe, time. How many null links will be stored in the nodes of the trie?