

## Exercise sheet 8: Suffix-Trees

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### Exercise 1

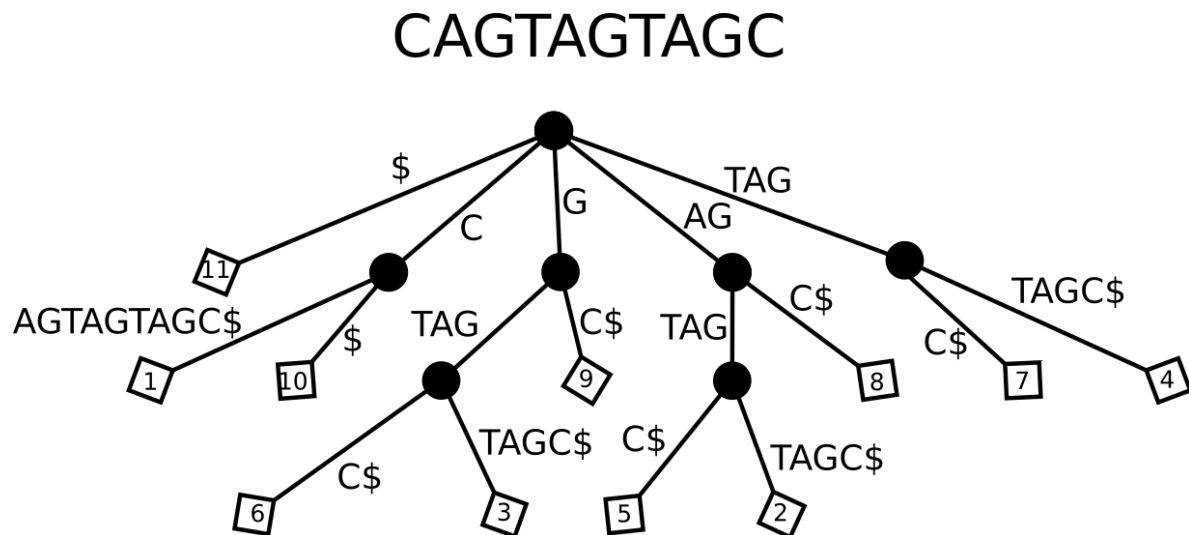
You are given the text  $T = \text{CAGTAGTAGC}$ .

1a)

Draw the corresponding suffix tree!

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Solution



1b)

Describe the steps of a counting query for  $P = \text{TAG}$ .

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### Solution

- start at root node
- locate outgoing edge that starts with  $T$
- match subsequent characters of the pattern
- in the subtree rooted at TAG count the number of leaves  $\Rightarrow 2$

1c)

Describe the steps of a reporting query for  $P = \text{AG}$ .

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### Solution

- start at root node
- locate outgoing edge that start with  $A$
- match subsequent characters of the pattern
- in the subtree rooted at AG report the labels of all leaves  $\Rightarrow \{2, 5, 8\}$

## Exercise 2

2a)

Draw a generalized suffix tree for the sequences  $A = \text{CCATG}$  and  $B = \text{CATG}$ .

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**Hint 1** Concatenate the two sequences using a unique character for splitting. e.g.  $\text{CCATG\#CATG\$}$ .

Dont forget to include suffix links!

**Formulae**  $sl(v) = w$

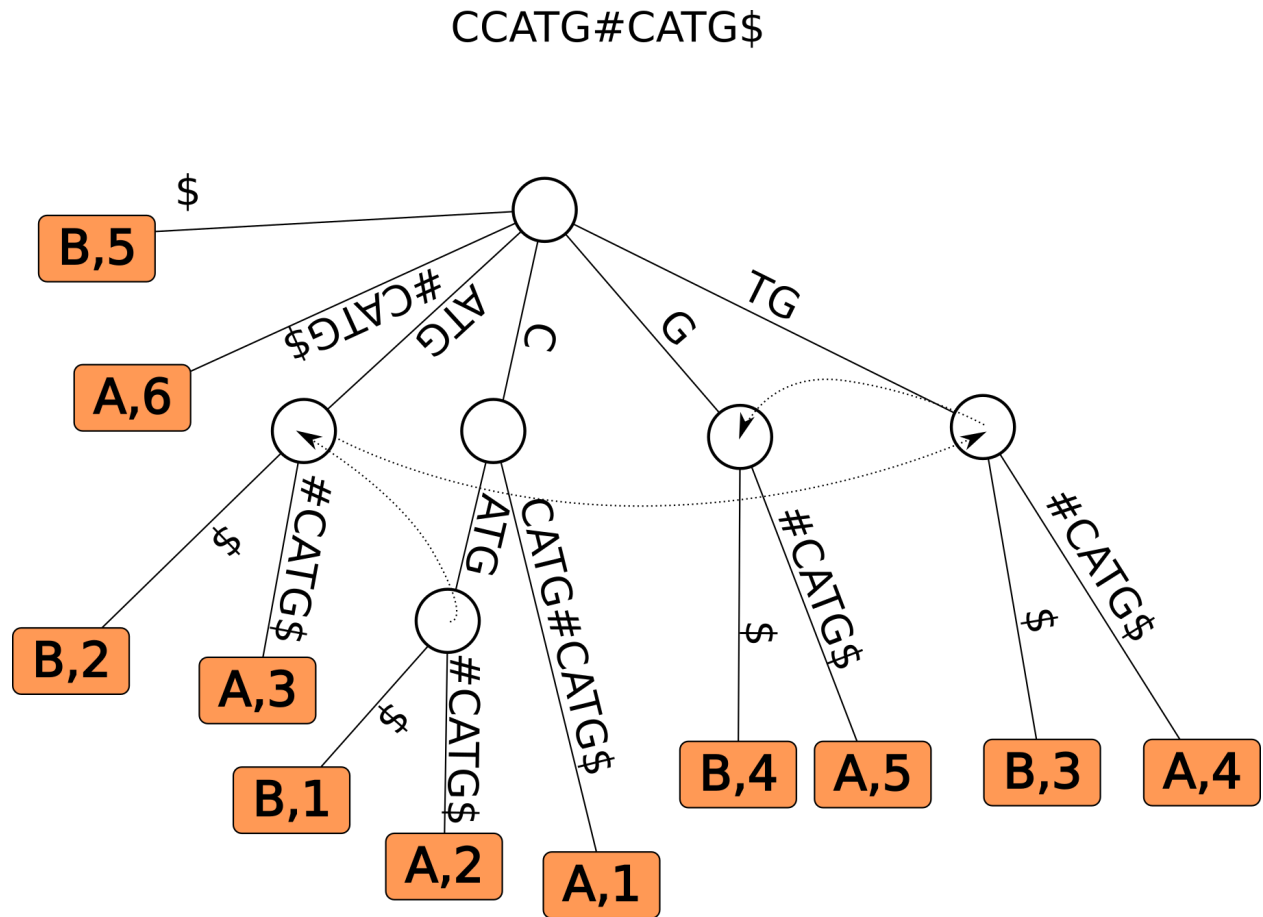
$\bar{v} = cb$

$\bar{w} = b$

$c : \text{character}, b : \text{string}$

remember:  $\bar{v}$  denotes the concatenation of all path labels from the root to  $v$ .

Solution



2b)

Find the Maximal Unique Matches of the sequences  $A = \text{CCATG}$  and  $B = \text{CATG}$  using the tree from A).

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**Solution** CATG is the only MUM as  $\bar{v} = \text{CATG}$  has no suffix links pointing to it

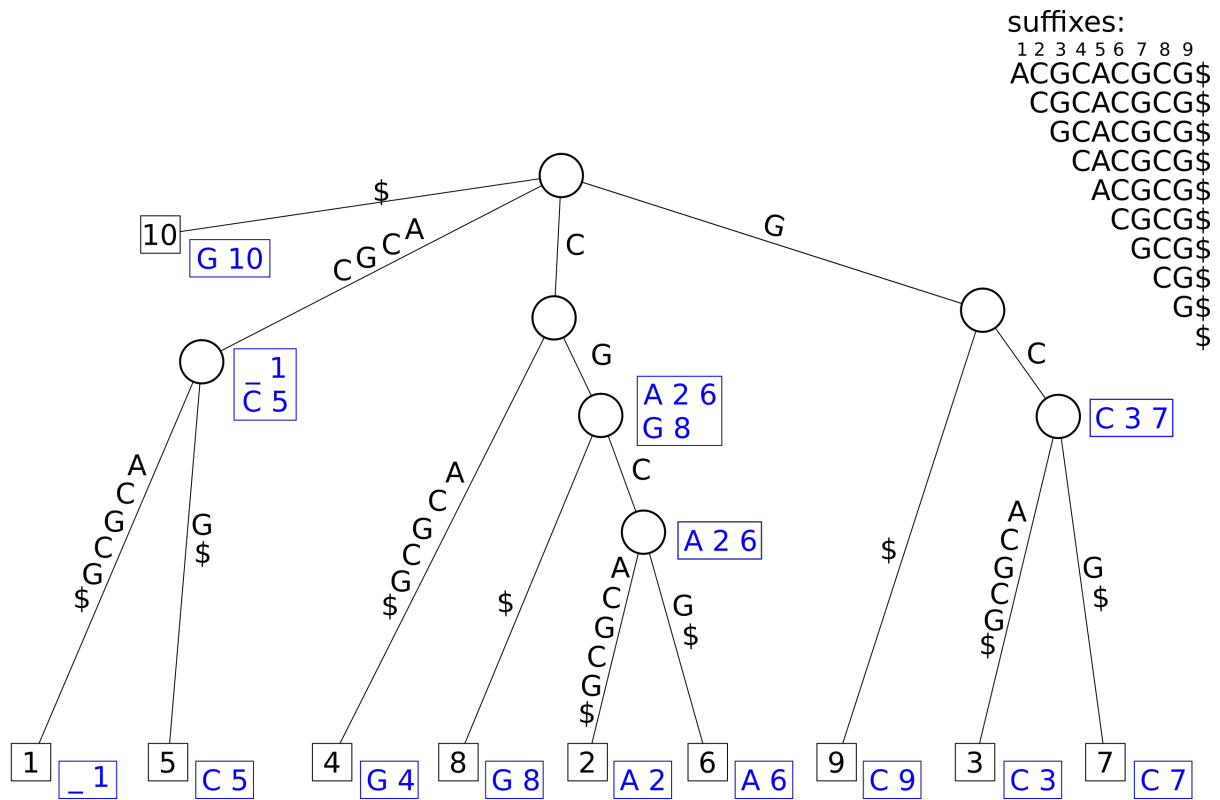
### Exercise 3

3a)

Draw a generalized suffix tree for the sequence  $A = \text{ACGCACGCG}$ .

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Solution



3b)

Find all maximal pairs of length at least 2.

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Solution ACGC: (1, 5, 4)

CG: (2, 8, 2), (6, 8, 2)

3c)

Why is C: (2, 8, 1) not a maximal pair?

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**Solution** It is not right maximal. This can be seen since  $\mathbf{CG}:(2, 8, 2)$  already includes the indices 2 and 8 with a longer match.