Applying Concurrency Technique using Golang in Multiple Approximate Pattern Matching Problem with Burrows-Wheeler Transform

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Overview

► Problem: Matching **sequences** to a **reference genome**.

► The purpose is to find small genetic alterations such as:

$$\begin{cases} \text{SNPs} \\ \text{Indels} \end{cases}$$

Insertion

T GC GA T A GTA

A GC -A - - GT

SNP   Deletion

Figure 2: Alignment of TGCGATAGTA and AGCAGT.

Burrows-Wheeler Transform, *Partial Suffix Arrays*, *Checkpoint Arrays*.

BWTM	Index	SA
$ATCATGAT**C**	0	9
ATC$ATCAT**G**	1	6
ATCATGATC$	2	0
ATGATC$AT**C**	3	3
C$ATCATGA**T**	4	8
CATGATC$A**T**	5	2
GATC$ATCA**T**	6	5
TC$ATCATG**A**	7	7
TCATGATC$**A**	8	1
TGATC$ATC**A**	9	4

Figure 3: SA, BWT of ATCATGATC$.

Index	BWT	A	T	C	G
0	C	0	0	1	0
1	G	0	0	1	1
2	$	0	0	1	1
3	C	0	0	2	1
4	T	0	1	2	1
5	T	0	2	2	1
6	T	0	3	2	1
7	A	1	3	2	1
8	A	2	3	2	1
9	A	3	3	2	1

Figure 4: Checkpoint Arrays.

Burrows-Wheeler Transform

- Constructing the Burrows-Wheeler Transform BWT of the string T with linear time [1].

- Denote BWT_i, T_i by the ith symbols of BWT and T respectively, SA_i is the value at i^{th} position of *Suffix Arrays*, one have:

$$BWT_i = \begin{cases} T_{SA_i-1} & \text{nu } SA_i > 0 \\ \$ & \text{nu } SA_i = 0 \end{cases}$$

[1] D. Okanohara and K. Sadakane, A Linear-Time Burrows-Wheeler Transform Using Induced Sorting. Aug. 2009, vol. 5721, p. 101.

Method

▶ P. Ferragina and G. Manzini (2005) introduced a backward search algorithm that counts the occurrences of a pattern P on the string T with $\mathcal{O}(|P| + |T|)$ runtime [2].

▶ From an interval in the column BWT, one could find a new interval [top, $bottom$] in the column FC, the intervals are updated as follows:

$$top \leftarrow FO(symbol) + CO(symbol, top - 1)$$
$$bottom \leftarrow FO(symbol) + CO(symbol, bottom) - 1$$

[2] P. Ferragina and G. Manzini, "Indexing compressed text," Journal ofthe ACM, vol. 52, no. 4, pp. 552–581, Jul. 2005,issn: 0004-5411.
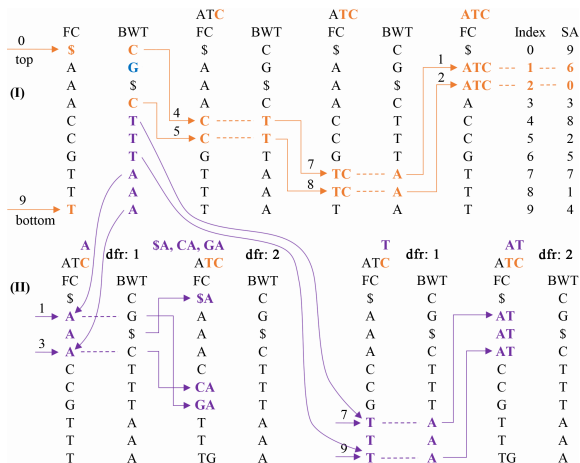
Figure 5: The backward search algorithm for ATC and ATCATGATC.

Sequence	
[t, bt]	[nT, nB]
[0, 9]	[1, 3]
	[4, 5]
	[6, 6]
	[7, 9]
[1, 3]	x
[4, 5]	[7, 8]
[6, 6]	[9, 9]
[7, 9]	x
[7, 8]	[1, 2]
[9, 9]	[3, 3]

Figure 6: Considering the process of approximate matching of the pattern ATC to the string ATCATGATC with difference threshold 1.
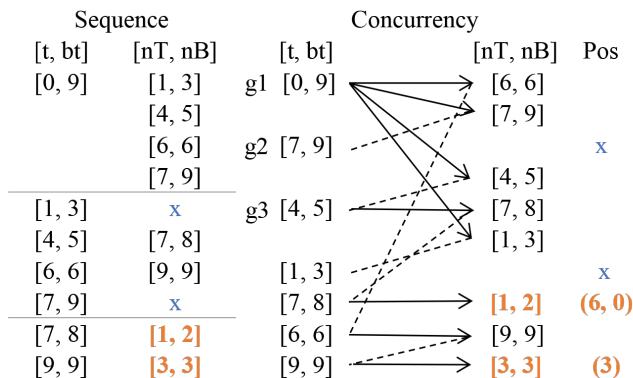
Concurrency Algorithm

Figure 7: To find new intervals, goroutines work together and could start at the same time or at different times.

Advantages of Golang

▶ Golang with concurrency technique automatically exploits the operation of the computer's core without depending on the management and allocation of the operating system.

- The threads on the cores are implemented by goroutines.

- Each goroutine only uses very little memory from the heap (only about 2kB), which makes it possible to generate lots of goroutines at the same time.

- Goroutines can work on logical processors at exactly the same time or can wait for each other in a queue.

- Goroutines operate on the principle of none-sharing variables. Communication of goroutines synchronized by using buffered channels or unbuffered channel.

Implementation

- Changing steps c in *Suffix Arrays* and k in *Checkpoint Arrays* to evaluate the variation level between runtime and memory used.

Data

- The genome assembly of SARS-CoV-2 published by Fan Wu et al. (2020) [3], which is 24748 bp long was used as the reference genome for alignment.

- The raw sequences of SARS-CoV-2 published on July 28, 2020 by KwaZulu-Natal Research Innovation and Sequencing Platform from the Sequence Read Archive (SRA). The FASTQ file includes 436,610 paired-end reads [4].

[3] F. Wu, S. Zhao, B. Yu, et al., "A new coronavirus associated with human respiratorydisease in China," en,Nature, vol. 579, no. 7798, pp. 265–269, Mar.2020,issn: 1476-4687.

[4] KPCOVID0471-KRISP Severe acute respiratory syndrome coron-avirus 2 (sars-cov-2) virus sequencing in south-africa... - SRA - NCBI.

Table 1: The Sequence Alignment Results with Three Differences

Name	Direction	Location	Mismatch String
100062/2	16	13030	0C0C0A248
100104/1	0	14275	10G68T52T50
100160/1	0	9679	1C0A0C88
100160/2	16	9679	1C0A0C88
100223/2	16	14314	0C67T24T157
100269/1	0	14358	49T51G55G67
10027/2	16	13128	0C0A24C224
100473/1	0	14219	31A26A64C53
1005/1	0	17162	57A78C35T12
100727/2	16	14477	66A8C27A2

Table 2: Total of Matches with Difference Thresholds

D	Time (s)	Memory (MiB)	Total
0	178.56	96	242943
1	234.31	270	354930
2	436.03	268	365724
3	1229.37	357	367946

Table 3: Approximate Matching Algorithm with Different Parameters

	c, k			
	1	*30*	*60*	*100*
Time (s)	234.31	1337.09	1361.23	1393.58
Memory (MiB)	270	274	254	131

Thanks for watching!