

# McCreight's algorithm for linear-time suffix tree construction

Example

# Example string: AAAAAAA

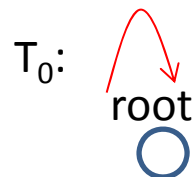
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |


## Conventions:

- $T_i$  corresponds to the tree after  $i$  iterations.
- Suffix numbering and string indexing starts from 1 and ends at  $n$ .
- Only for convenience in presentation, edge-labels are shown as strings.

In the implementation, it is assumed that edge-labels are stored as a pair of integers.


## Initial tree:



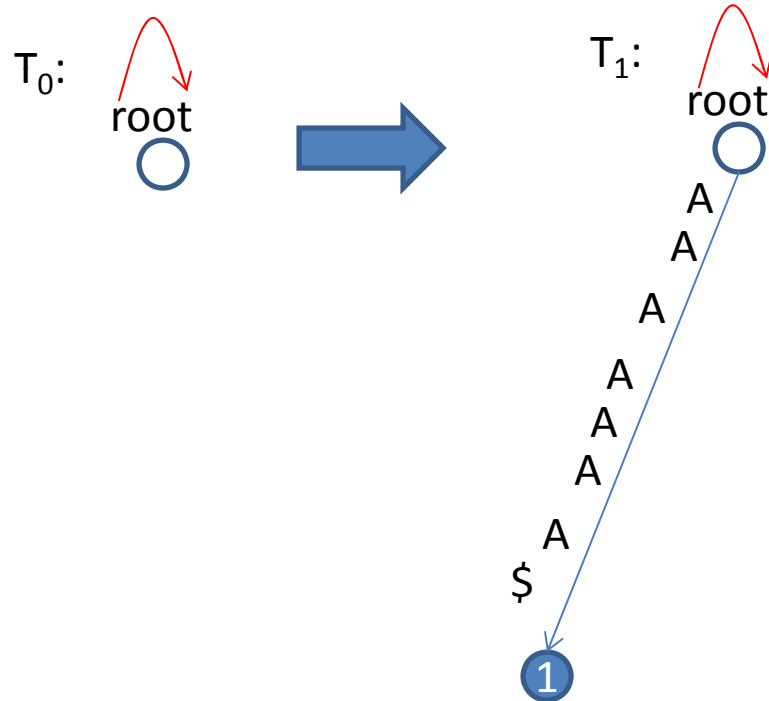
 Denotes suffix links

# Example string: AAAAAAA

Iteration: 1



| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



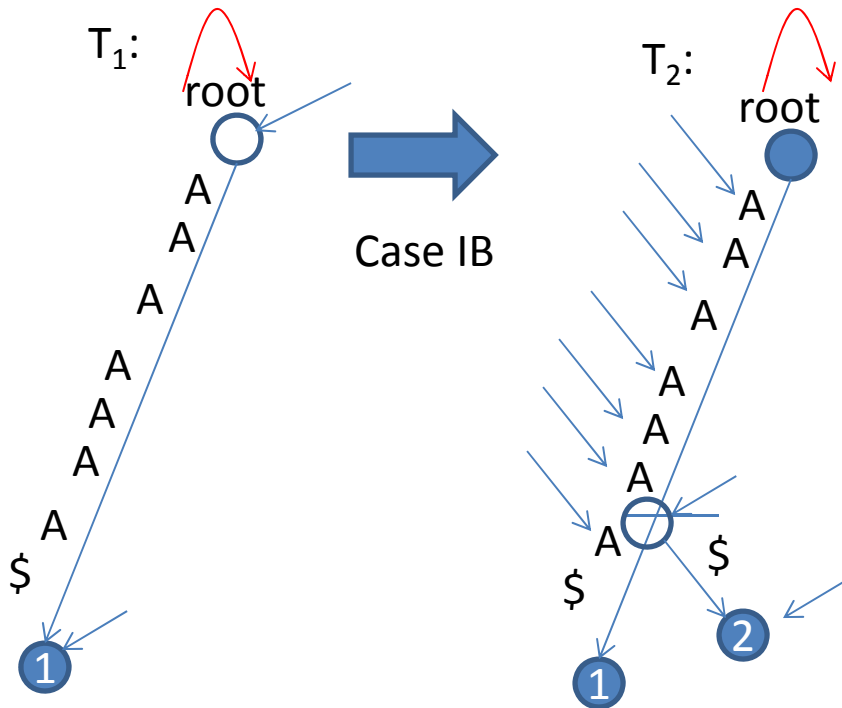
For this iteration:

| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 0 |
| Number of node hops             | 0 |

# Example string: AAAAAAA

Iteration: 2

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



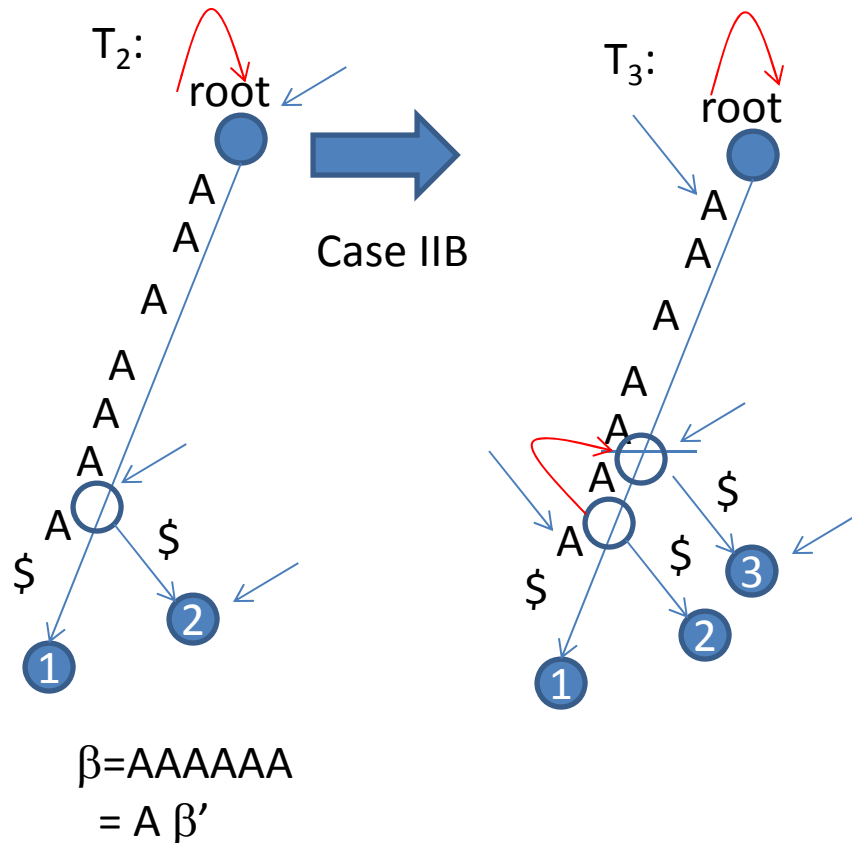
For this iteration:

| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 7 |
| Number of node hops             | 0 |

# Example string: AAAAAAA

Iteration: 3

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



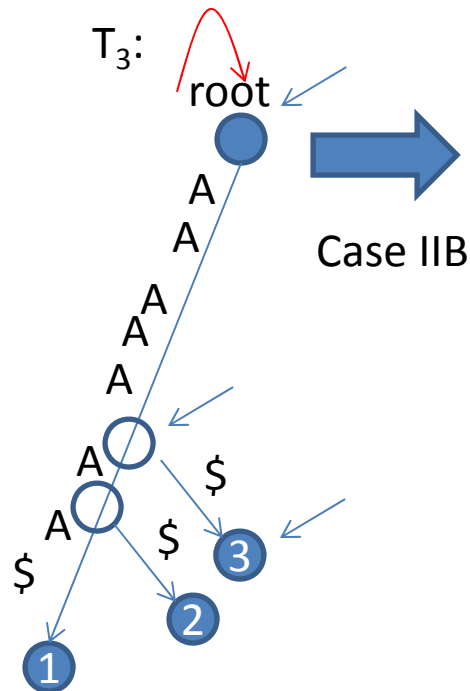
For this iteration:

| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 1 |
| Number of node hops             | 1 |

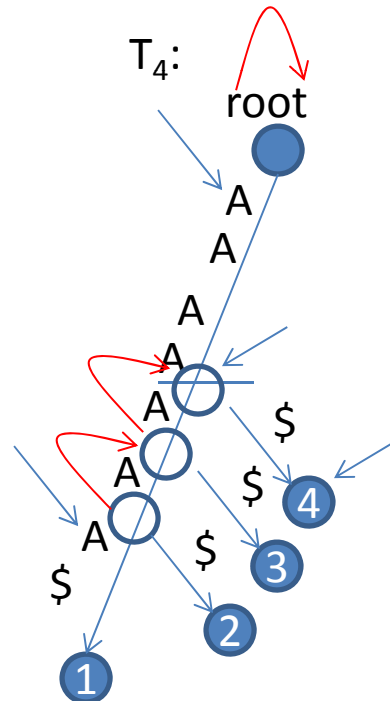
# Example string: AAAAAAA

Iteration: 4

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



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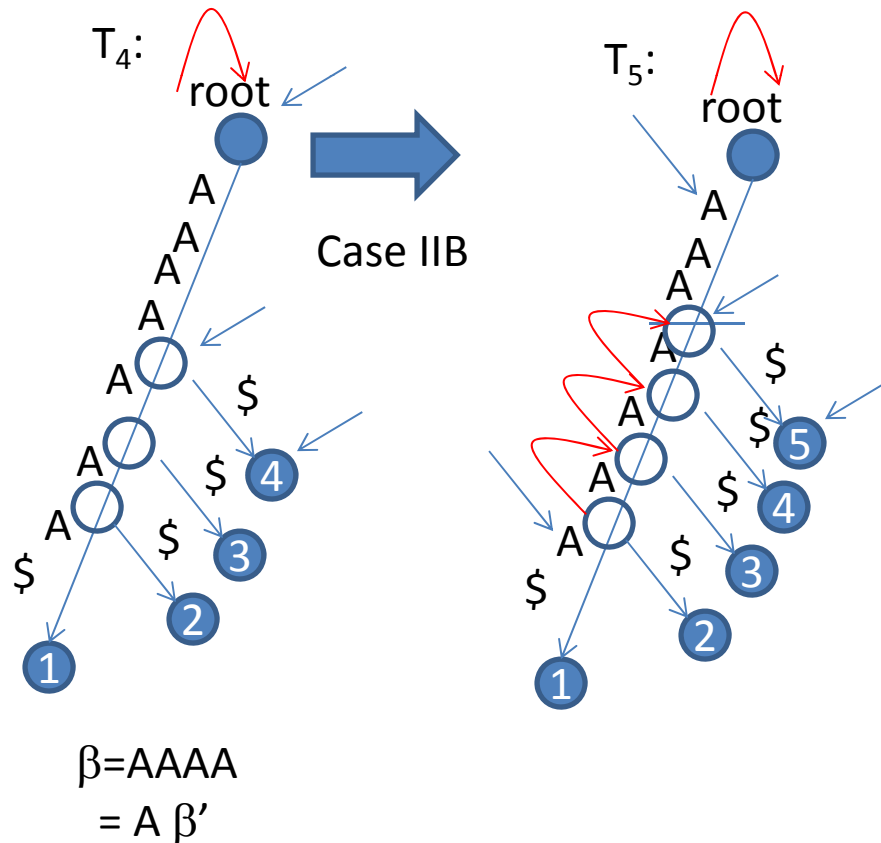
For this iteration:

| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 1 |
| Number of node hops             | 1 |

# Example string: AAAAAAA

Iteration: 5

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



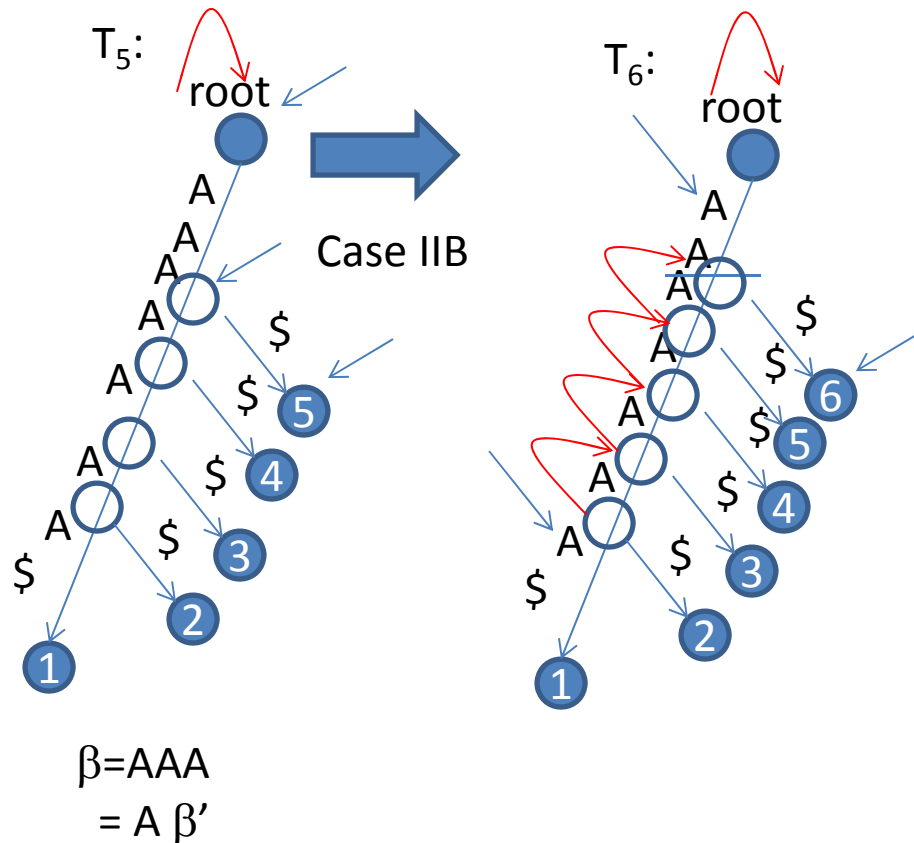
For this iteration:

| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 1 |
| Number of node hops             | 1 |

# Example string: AAAAAAA

Iteration: 6

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



For this iteration:

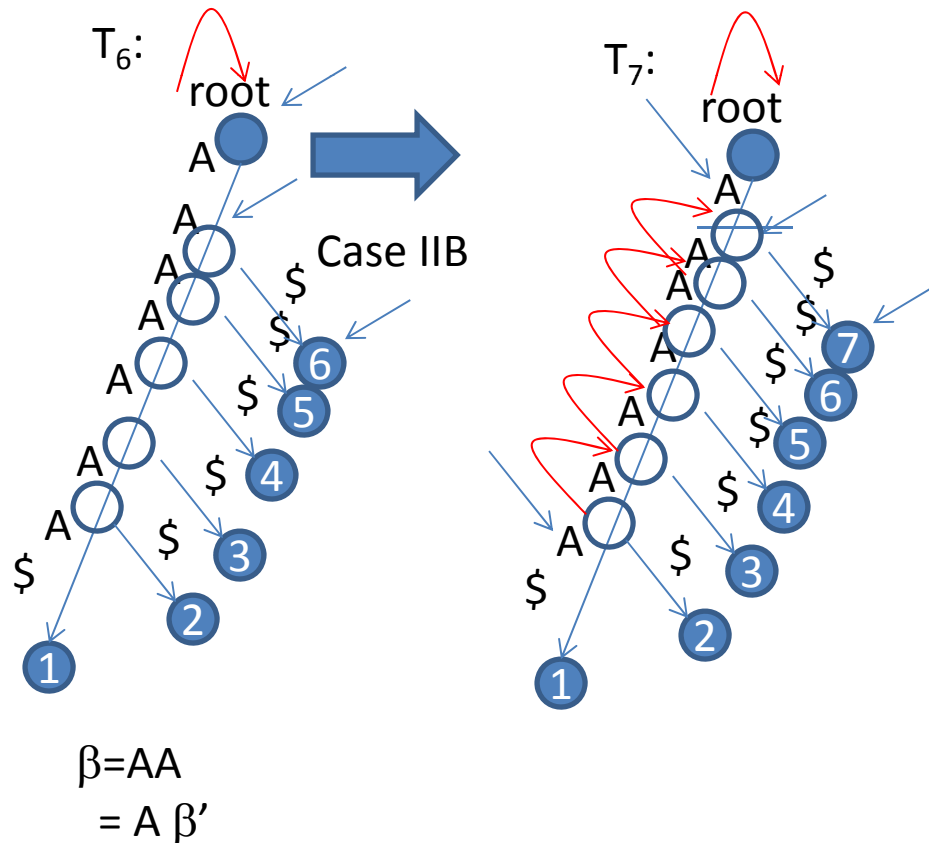
| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 1 |
| Number of node hops             | 1 |



# Example string: AAAAAAA

Iteration: 7

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



For this iteration:

| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 1 |
| Number of node hops             | 1 |



| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| A | A | A | A | A | A | A | \$ |



For this iteration:

| Tally of cost                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Number of character comparisons | 0 |
| Number of node hops             | 0 |