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Generalized Suffix Tree

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Generalized Suffix Trees

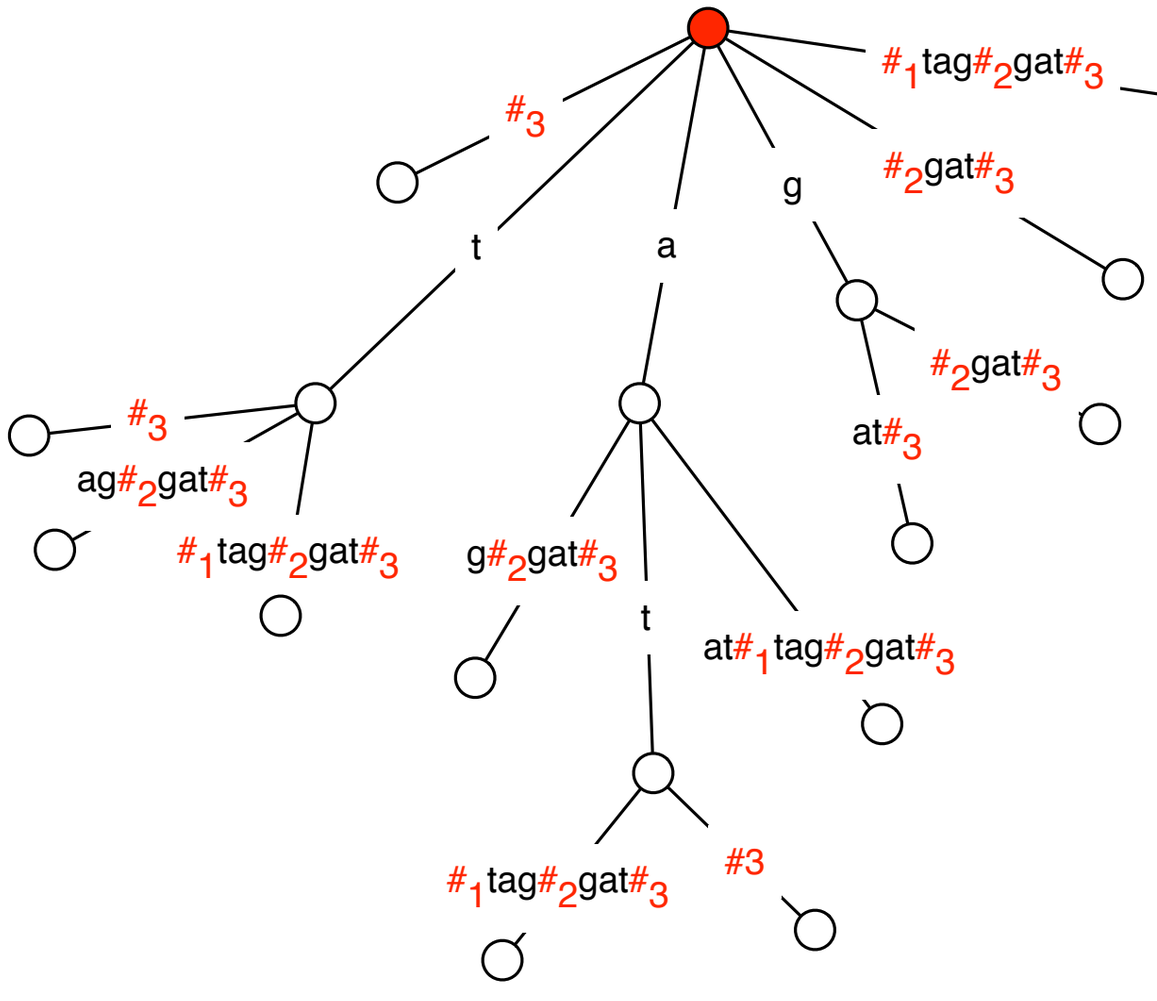
$M = \sum_{k=1}^{m} (|s_k| + 1)$

Goal. Represent a set of strings P = {s1, s2, s3, ..., sm}.

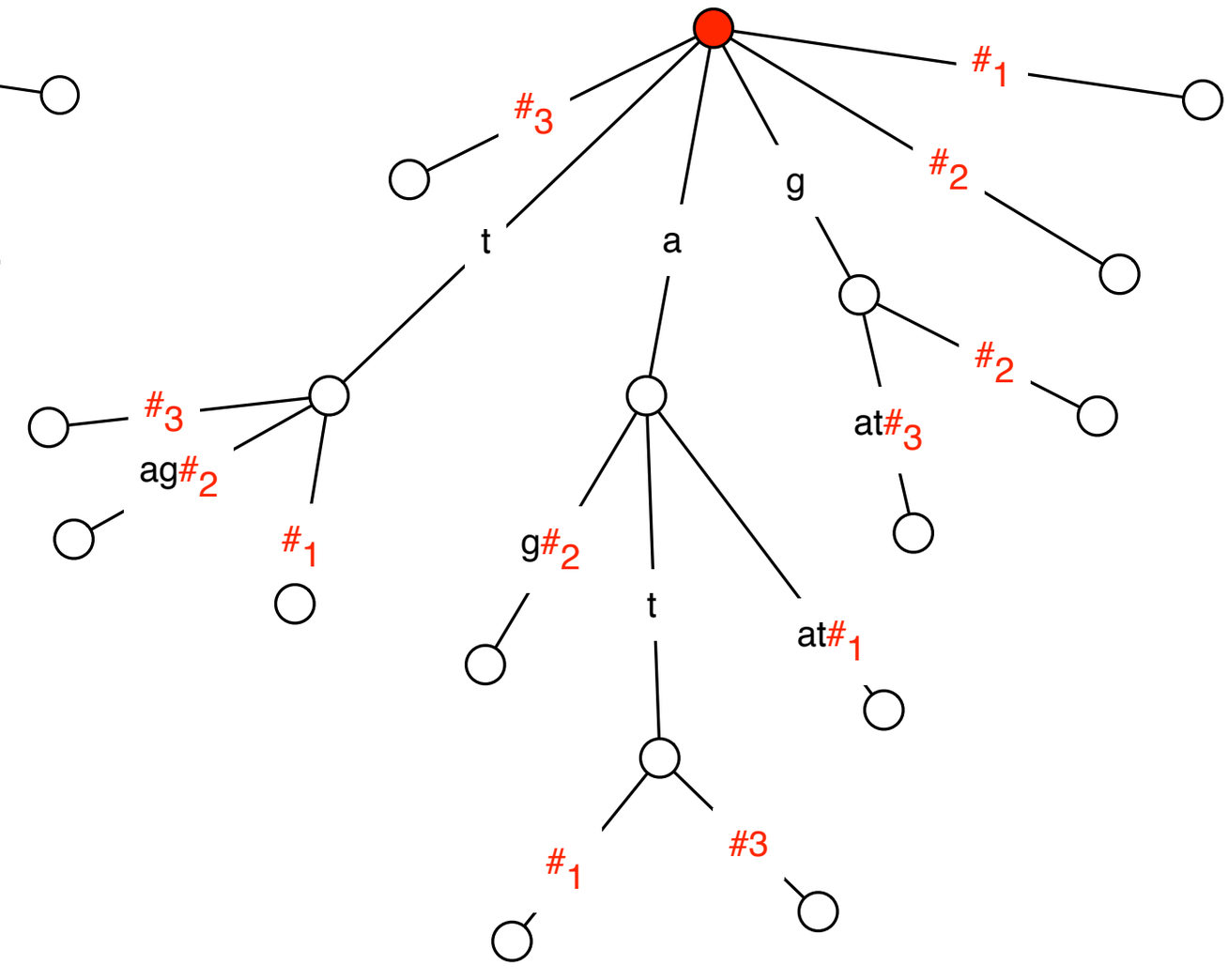
Example. aat, tag, gat

$O(M)$

(1) build suffix tree for string aat#1tag#2gat#3



(2) For every leaf node, remove any text after the first # symbol.

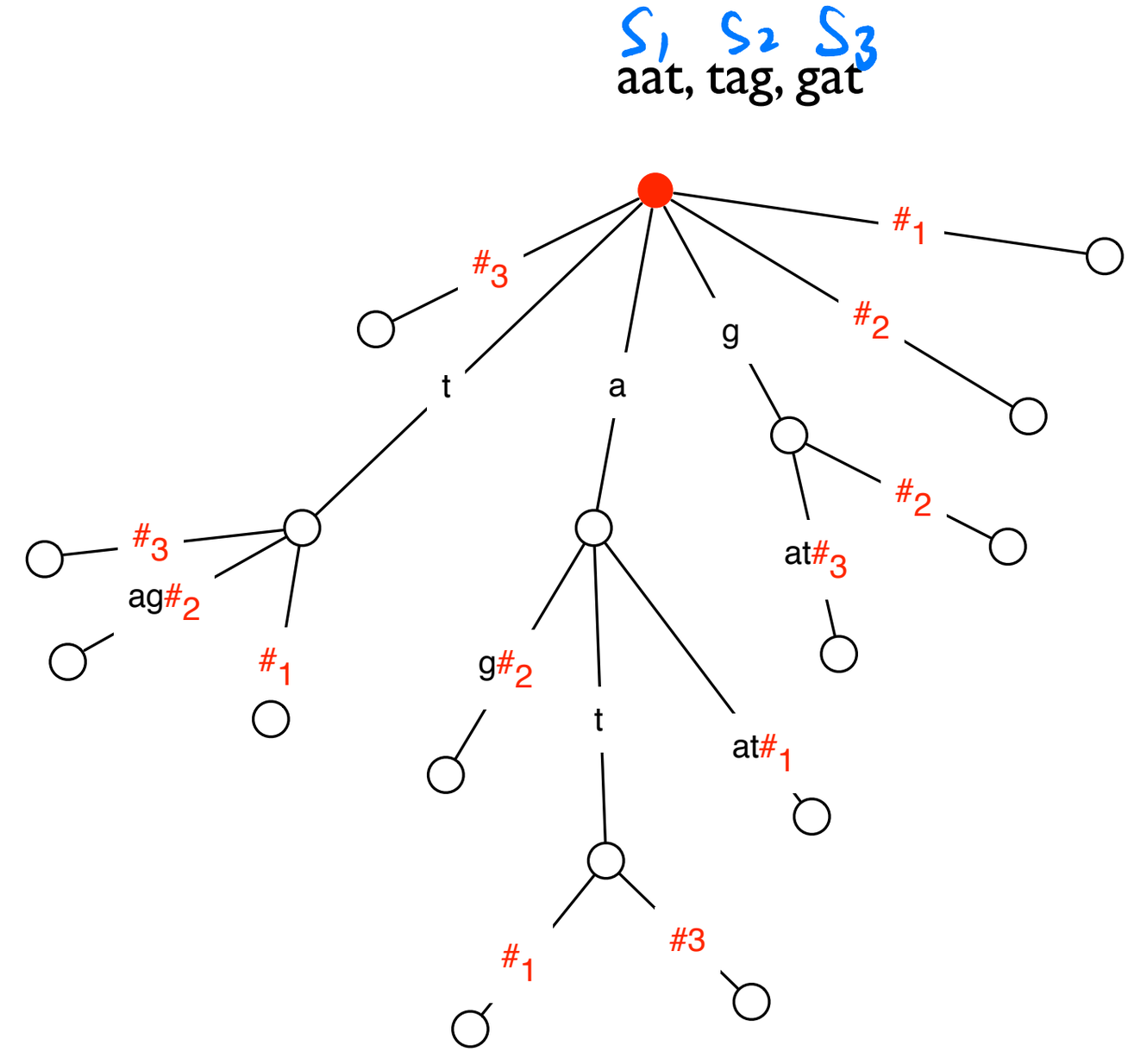


Applications of Generalized Suffix Trees

Determine the strings in a database {S1, S2, S3, ..., Sm} that contain query string q:

$q = a \Rightarrow S_1, S_2, S_3$

$q = at \Rightarrow S_1, S_3$

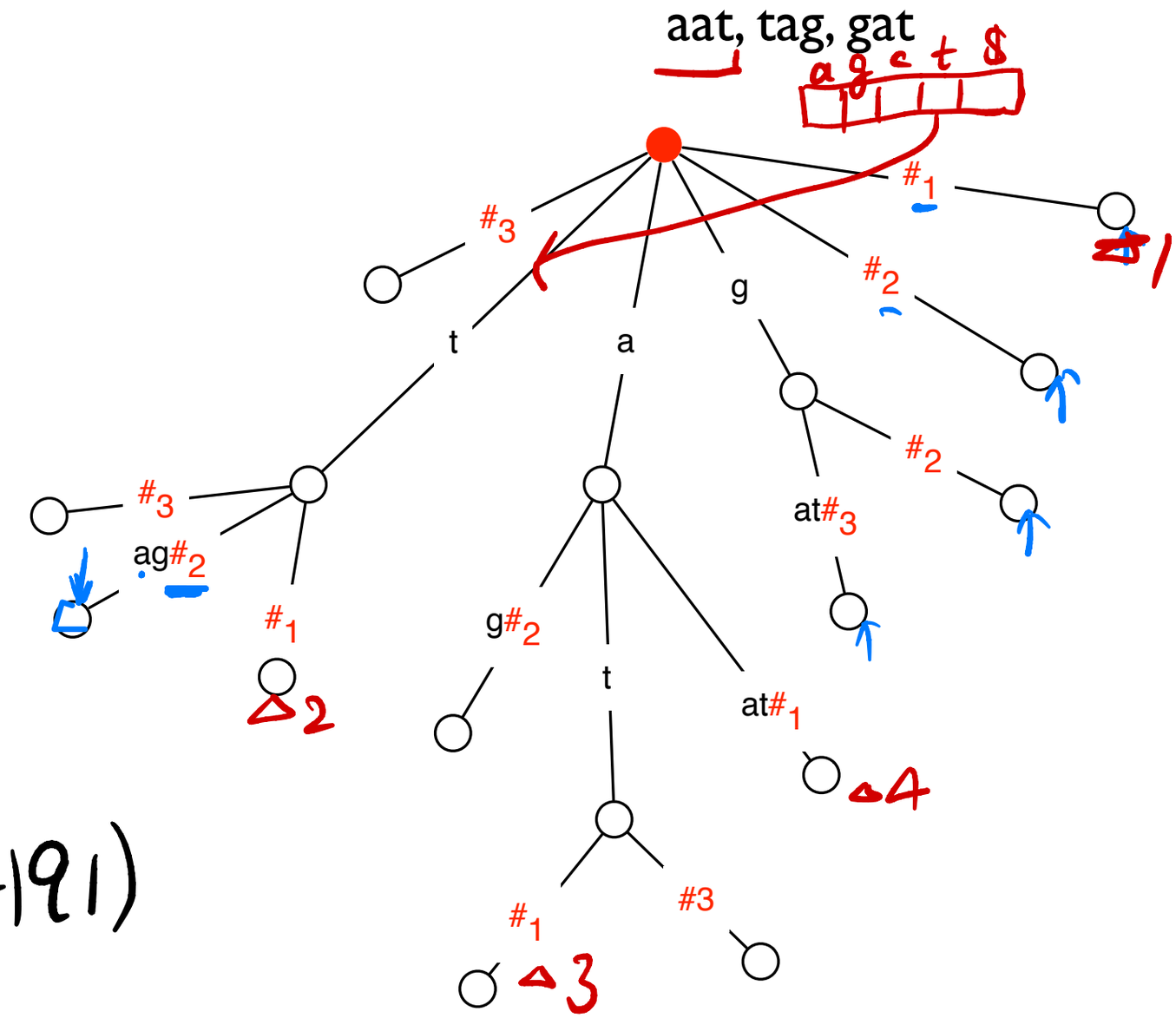


Applications of Generalized Suffix Trees

Determine the strings in a database {S1, S2, S3, ..., Sm} that contain query string q:

O(M)

- Build generalized suffix tree for {S1, S2, S3, ..., Sm}
- Follow the path for q in the suffix tree. O(|q|)
- Suppose you end at node u: traverse the tree below u, and output i if you find a string containing #i. O(M)



q = ta

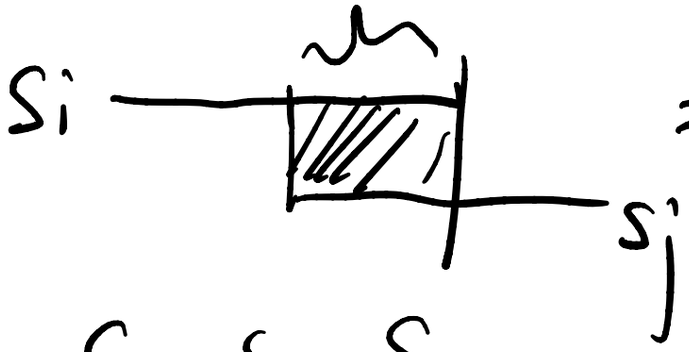
⇒ O(M + |q|)

#nodes in GST = O(M)

Applications of Generalized Suffix Trees

Given {S1, S2, S3, ..., Sm}, find the longest suffix-prefix exact matches for every pair.

$O(m^2 + M)$



	S_1	S_2	S_3
S_1	–	1	0
S_2	0	–	1
S_3	2	0	–

	S_1	S_2	S_3
S_1	–	0	0
S_2	0	–	0 1
S_3	~~1~~ 0	0	–

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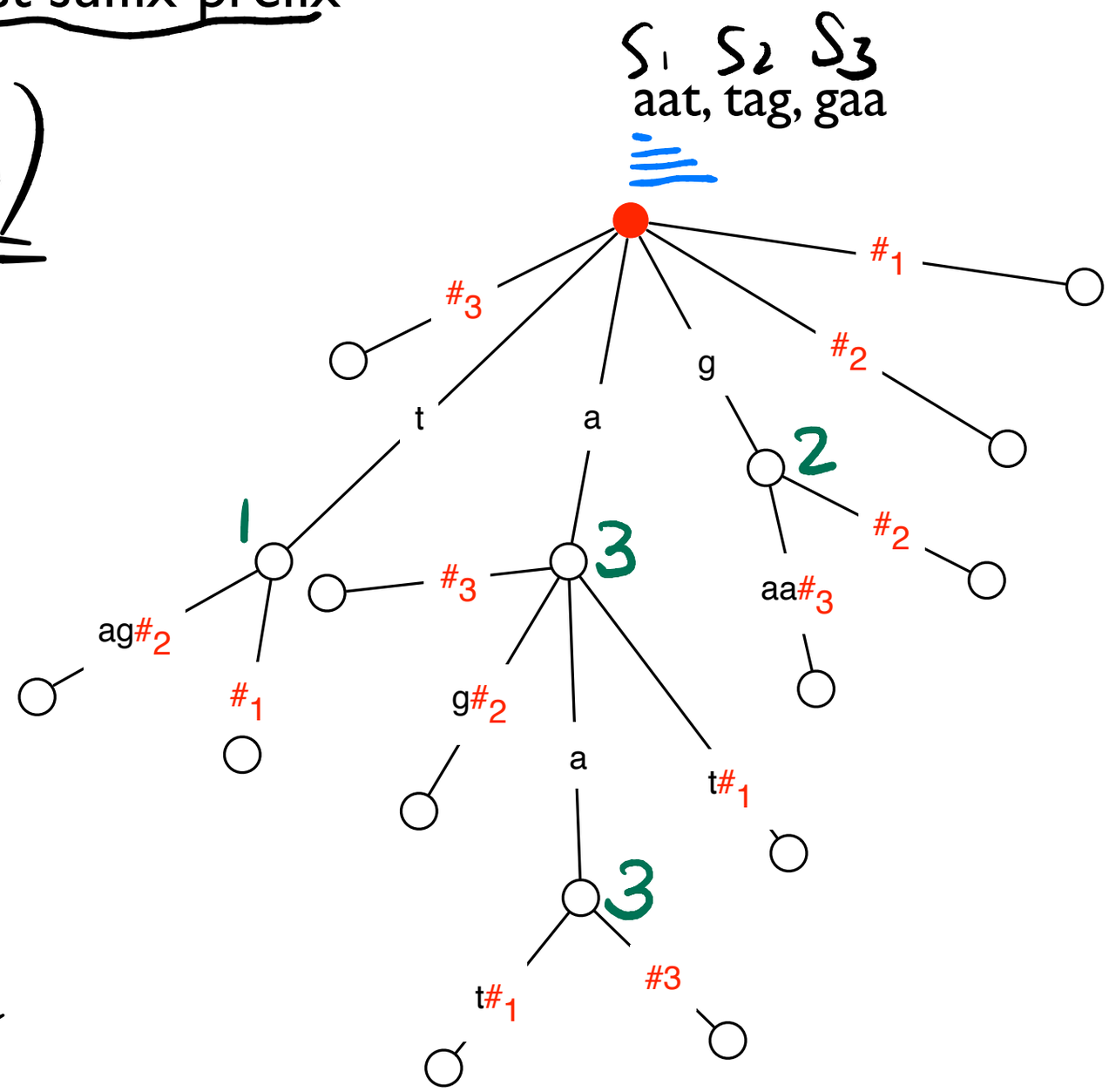


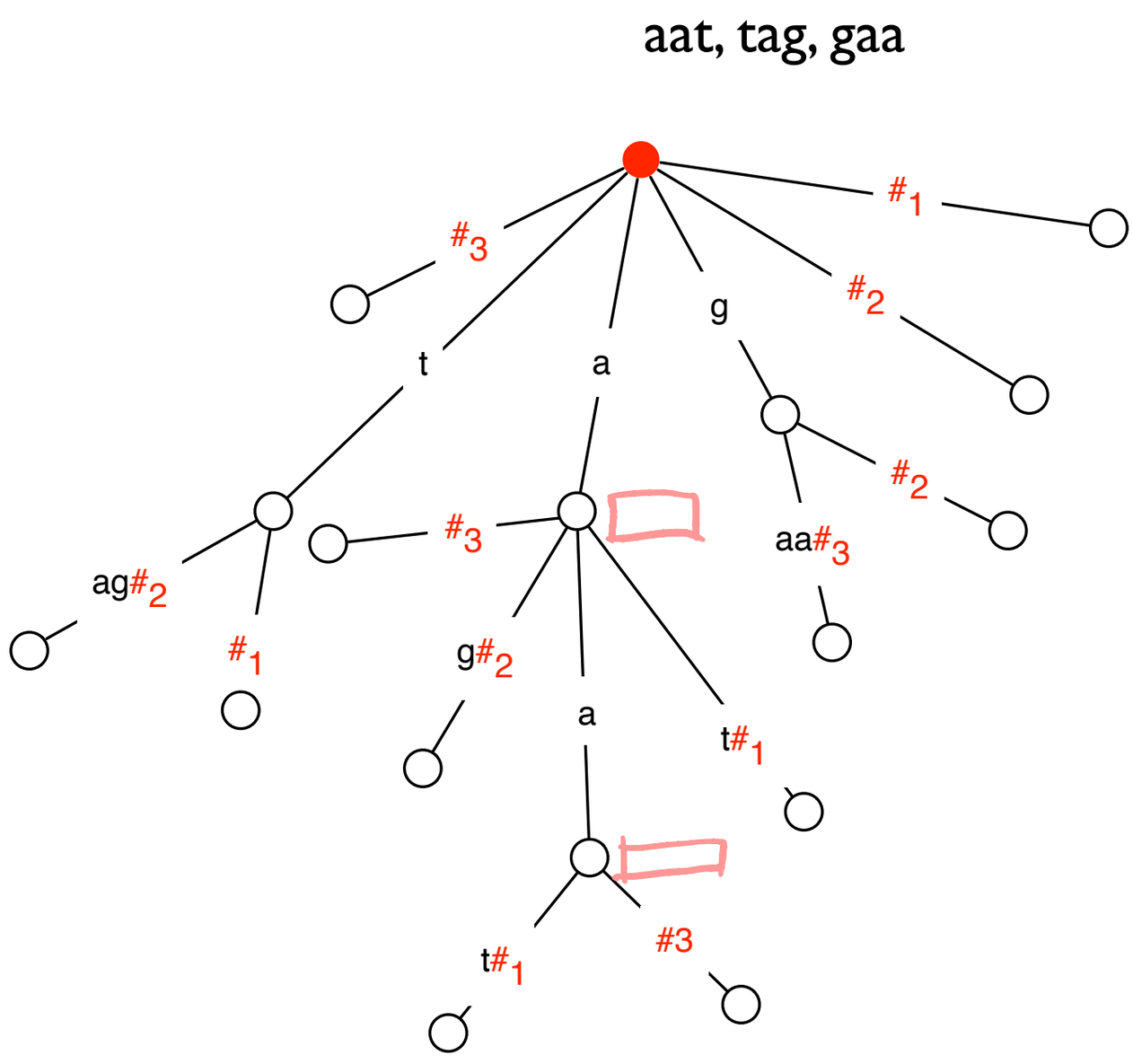
Applications of Generalized Suffix Trees

Given {S1, S2, S3, ..., Sm}, find the longest suffix-prefix exact matches for every pair.

- Build generalized suffix tree for {S1, S2, S3, ..., Sm} O(M)
- Init the output table O(m²)
- Create the suffix-list for each node O(M)
- Traverse each string and update the table

total length of lists = O(M)

O(M) + O(M)

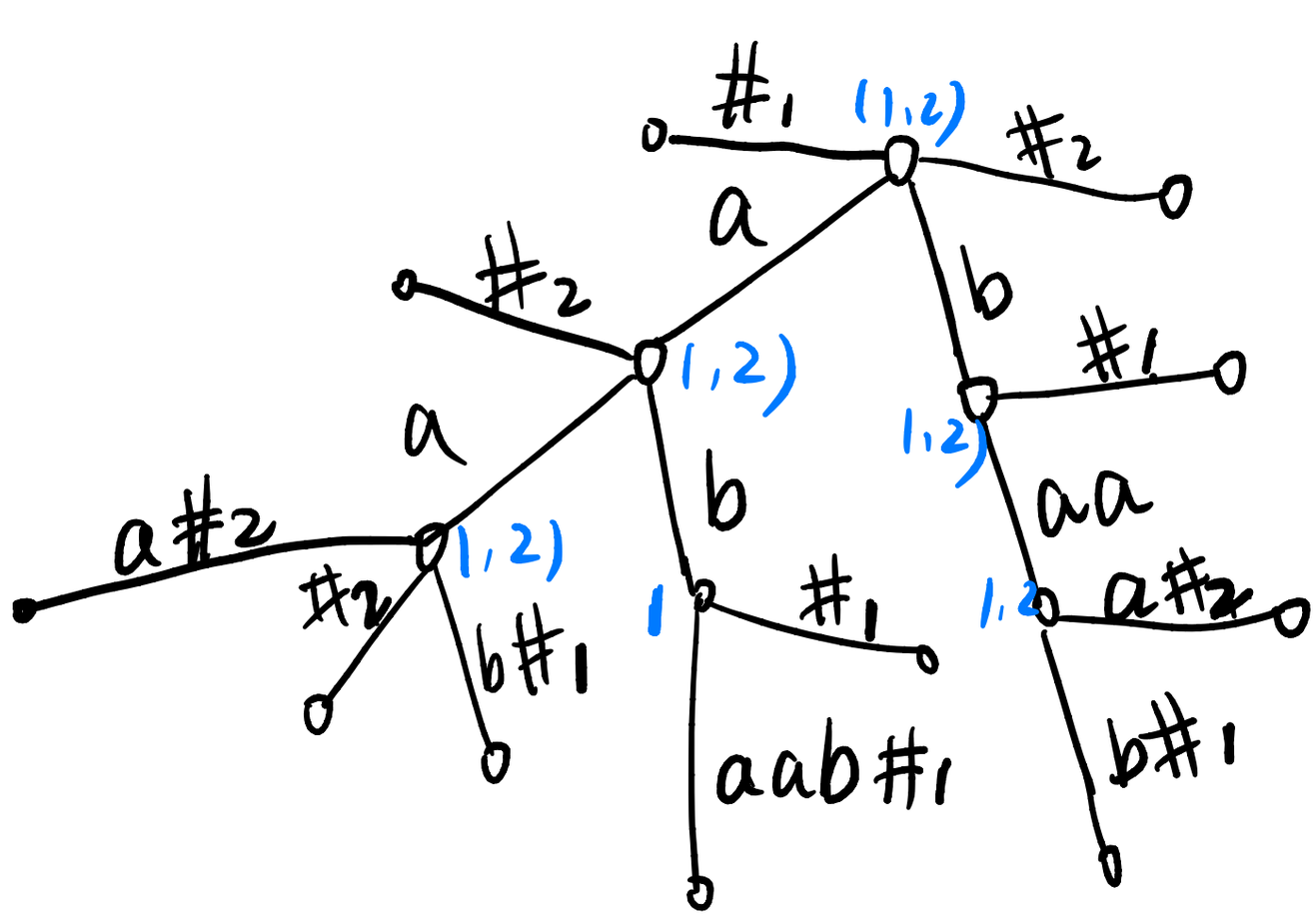


Applications of Generalized Suffix Trees

Longest common substring of S and T:

$S = abaab\#_1$

$T = baaa\#_2$



Applications of Generalized Suffix Trees

Longest common substring of S and T:

Build generalized suffix tree for {S, T} $O(|S|+|T|)$
Find the "deepest" node that has has descendants
from both strings (containing both #1 and #2)
$O(|S|+|T|)$.

Suffix Link

S : substring

x : letter

- Suffix link: pointer connects node represents "xS" to "S"
- Defined for both suffix trie and suffix tree.
- Every node has a suffix link!