CISC-471 FALL 2019

HOMEWORK 8

Please work on these problems and be prepared to share your solutions with classmates in class on Monday Nov. 18. Assignments will <u>not</u> be collected for grading.

PROBLEMS

These questions come from An Introduction to Bioinformatics Algorithms by Neil C. Jones and Pavel A. Pevzner.

- **Problem 9.8:** Design an efficient algorithm for finding the longest exact repeat within a text. (Suggestion: Use a suffix tree to solve this problem.)
- **Problem 9.11:** Design an efficient algorithm for finding the longest string shared by two given texts. (This is the longest common substring problem. Suggestion: Use a suffix tree to solve this problem.)
- Not from the text : Consider a tree with n leaves. Show that the number of internal nodes can be arbitrarily big. On the other hand, suppose a tree has n leaves and every internal node in the tree has two or more children. Show (using mathematical induction) that in this case the number of internal nodes is at most n-1.

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