

Mandatory Exercise: Suffix Trees

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1 Supersuffixes Let S and P be strings of lengths n and m , respectively. Both strings are from an alphabet Σ . A *supersuffix* of P is a suffix of P that occurs as a substring of S at least as many times as any other suffix of P . A longest supersuffix is a supersuffix of maximal length. For instance, if $S = \text{cocoa}$ and $P = \text{oco}$, then both co and o are supersuffixes and co is a longest supersuffix. Give an efficient algorithm to compute a longest supersuffix.