

## 6.851 ADVANCED DATA STRUCTURES (SPRING'10)

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### Problem 4 Sample Solutions

**Analyzing Partition Trees.** Let  $r$  be the upper bound of  $2(c\sqrt{2})^{\frac{1}{\epsilon}}$ . Out of  $r$  partitions at most  $c\sqrt{r}$  of them will cross a line. Therefore we get:

$$T(n) \leq O(r) + c\sqrt{r}T(2n/r)$$

Solving the equation using the Master Theorem, we get  $T(n) \leq \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{2}+\epsilon})$ .

**Speed Up With LCP Array.** Finding the LCP for  $SA[i]$  and  $SA[i+1]$  breaks down into three cases. First case when  $SA[i]$  and  $SA[i+1]$  are both from  $T_0 \cup T_1$ . Then we can calculate their LCP by looking up their locations in the  $SA$  for  $\tilde{T}$ , and getting the RMQ in the LCP array for  $\tilde{T}$ . When  $SA[i]$  and  $SA[i+1]$  are both from  $T_0 \cup T_2$  we compare the first character of both strings. If they are different, we know that the LCP is 0, otherwise, the LCP is 1 plus the LCP of the two strings without their first characters. Finally if  $SA[i]$  and  $SA[i+1]$  are both from  $T_1 \cup T_2$  we compare the first two characters of both strings. If they differ in some way, we can set the LCP to either 0 or 1, depending on how many of the characters match. Otherwise, we proceed as in the previous case.

The first two cases take  $O(1)$  plus the time for the recursion. For the third case, when comparing equal characters  $L_s$  is increased by one. The total number of comparisons if equal chars can't be larger than  $|P|$ . The number of other comparisons in the last case is  $O(1)$  per level of recursion. Hence the running time of  $O(|P| + \log |T|)$

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