# A Simple Parallel Cartesian Tree Algorithm and its Application to Parallel Suffix Tree Construction

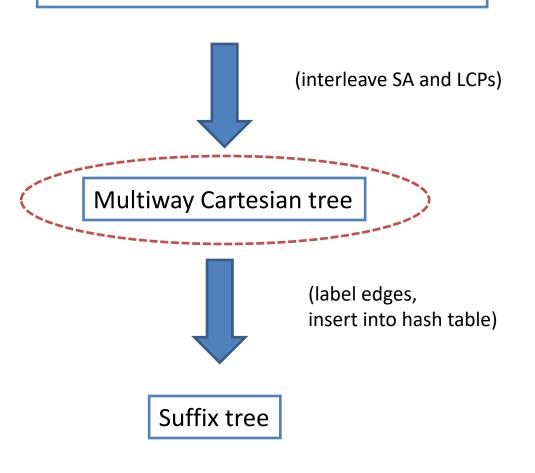
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## **Motivation for Suffix Trees**

- To efficiently search for patterns in large texts
  - Example: Bioinformatic applications
- Suffix trees allow us to do this
  - O(N) work for construction with O(M) work for search, where N is the text size and M is the pattern size
    - In contrast, Knuth-Morris-Pratt's algorithm takes O(M) work for construction and O(N) work for search
  - Other supported operations: longest common substring, maximal repeats, longest palindrome, etc.
  - There are sequential implementations but no parallel ones that are both theoretically and practically efficient
- We developed a new (practical) linear-work parallel algorithm and analyzed it experimentally

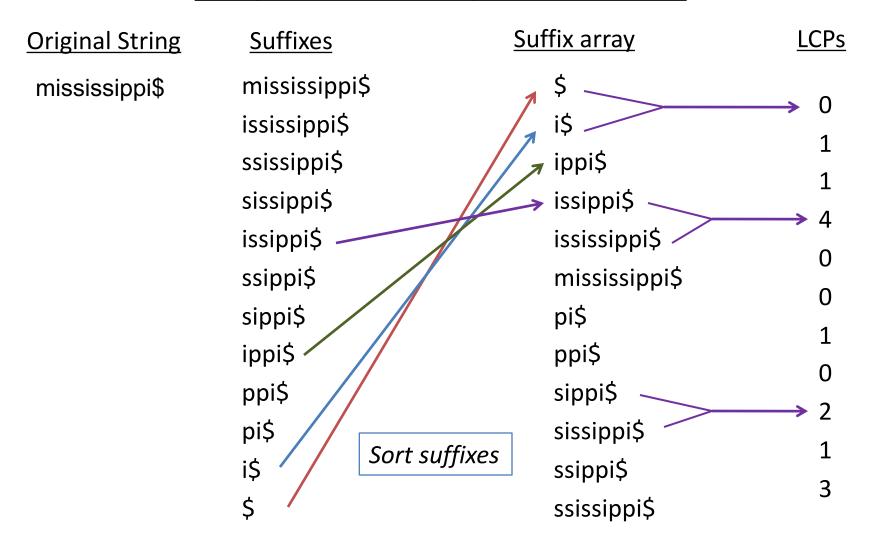
#### Outline: Suffix Array to Suffix Tree (in parallel)

Suffix array + Longest Common Prefixes



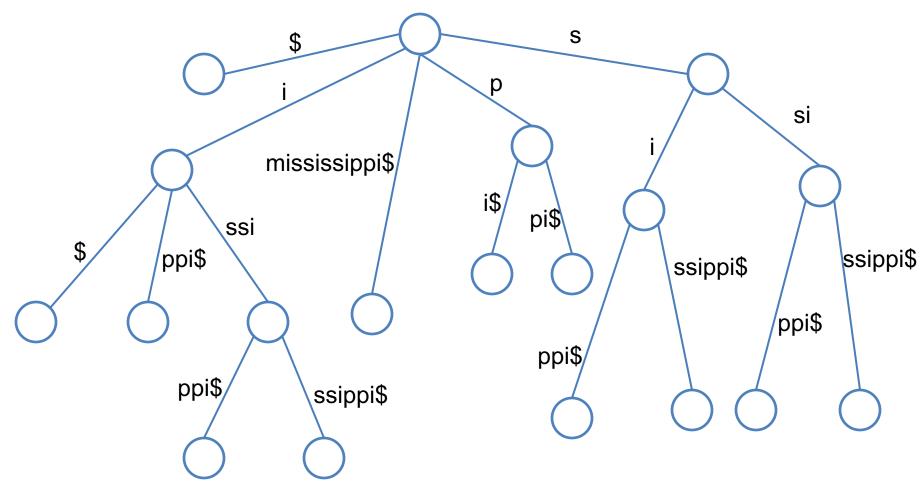
 There are standard techniques to perform all of these steps in parallel, except for building the multiway Cartesian Tree

# Suffix Arrays and Longest-common-prefixes (LCPs)



#### **Suffix Trees**

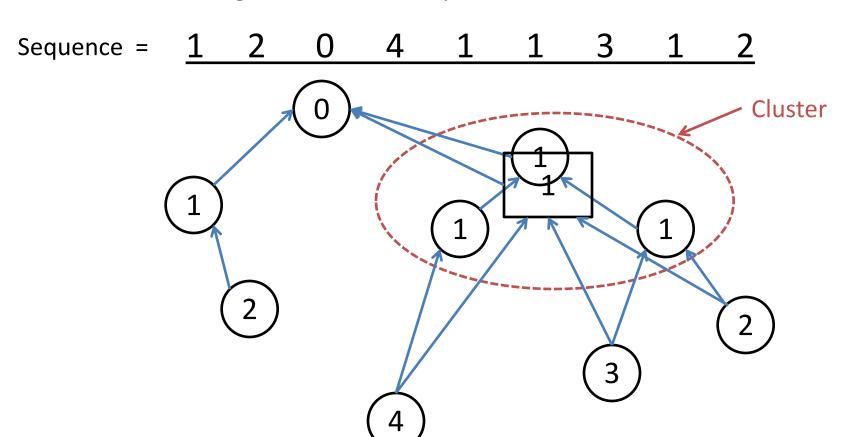
- String = mississippi\$
- Store suffixes in a patricia tree (trie with one-child nodes collapsed)



#### **Multiway Cartesian Tree**

Maintains heap property

- Components of same value
- Inorder traversal gives back the sequence treated as one "cluster"



# **Suffix Tree History**

- Sequential O(n) work algorithms based on incrementally adding suffixes [Weiner '73, McCreight '76, Ukkonen '95]
- Parallel O(n) work algorithms very complicated, no implementations [Sahinalp-Vishkin '94, Hariharan '94, Farach-Muthukrishnan '96]
- Parallel algorithms used in practice are not linear-work
- Practical linear-work parallel algorithm?
  - Simple O(n) work parallel algorithm
  - Fastest algorithm in practice

# **More Related Work**

#### Cartesian trees

- Sequential O(n) work stack-based algorithm
- Work-optimal parallel algorithm for Cartesian tree on distinct values (Berkman, Schieber and Vishkin 1993)
- Suffix arrays to suffix trees
  - Sequential O(n) work algorithms
  - Two parallel algorithms for converting a suffix array into a suffix tree (Iliopoulos and Rytter 2004)
    - Both require O(n log n) work

#### Our contributions

- A parallel algorithm for the same task which requires only O(n) work and is based on multiway Cartesian trees
- This is used to obtain a O(n) work parallel suffix tree algorithm

#### Suffix Array/LCPs → Suffix Tree

- Interleave suffix lengths and LCP values
- Build a multiway Cartesian tree on that
- This returns the suffix tree!

```
Suffix lengths 1, 2, 5, 8, 11, 12, 3, 4, 6, 9, 7, 10 LCP values 0, 1, 1, 4, 0, 0, 1, 0, 2, 1, 3,
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**Interleaved** 

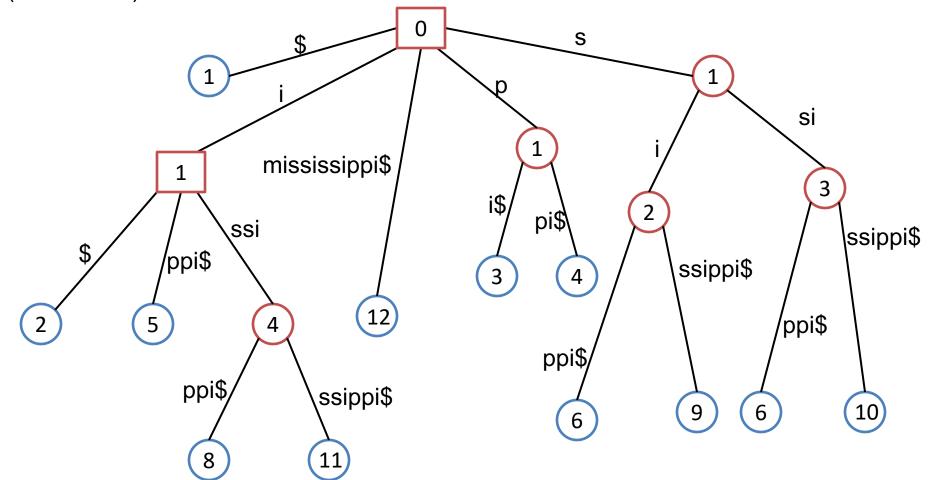


= Contracted internal node with LCP value

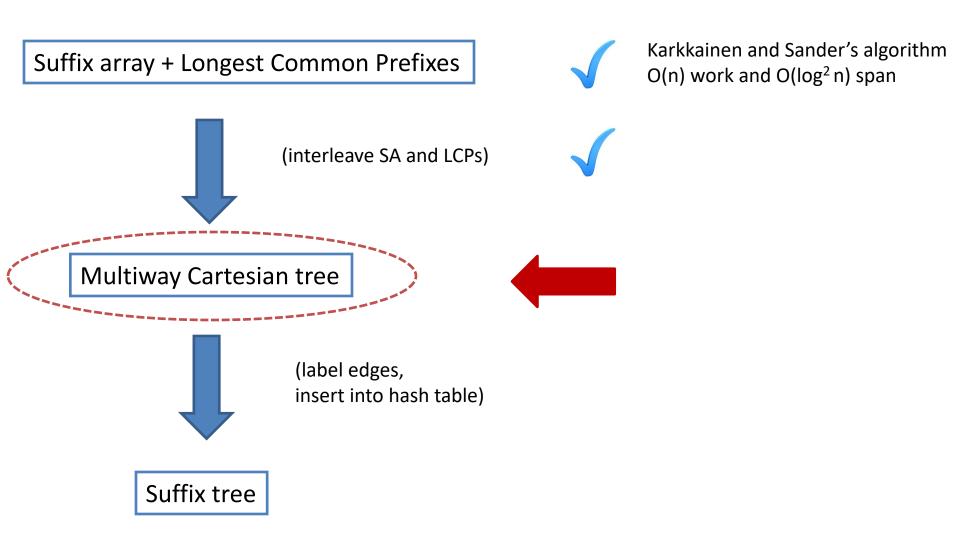
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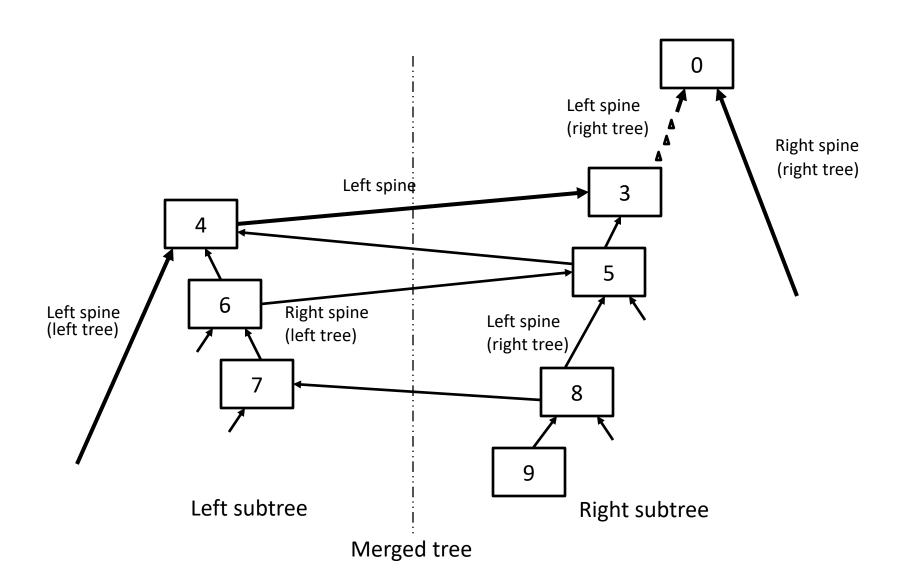
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#### Suffix Array to Suffix Tree (in parallel)



- Divide-and-conquer approach
- Merge spines of subtrees (represented as lists) together using standard techniques



Input: Array A[1...N]

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Build(A[1...n]) \{ \\ if n < 2 \text{ return}; \\ else \textbf{ in parallel } do: \\ t1 = Build(A[1...n/2]); \\ t2 = Build(A[(n/2)+1...n]); \\ Merge(t1, t2) \{ \\ R-spine = rightmost branch of t1; \\ L-spine = leftmost branch of t2; \\ use a parallel merge algorithm on R-spine and L-spine; \\ Merge(t1, t2) \{ \\ R-spine = rightmost branch of t1; \\ L-spine = leftmost branch of t2; \\ use a parallel merge algorithm on R-spine and L-spine; \\ \}
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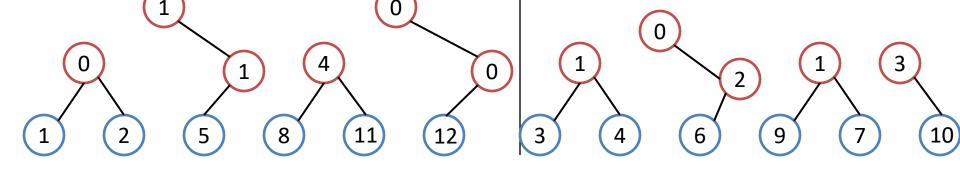
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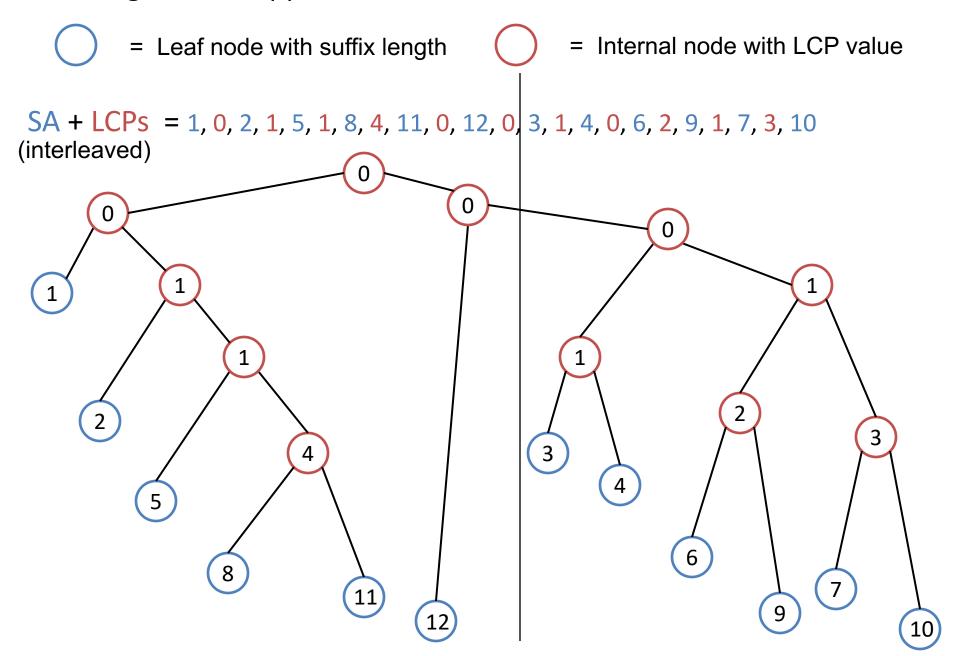
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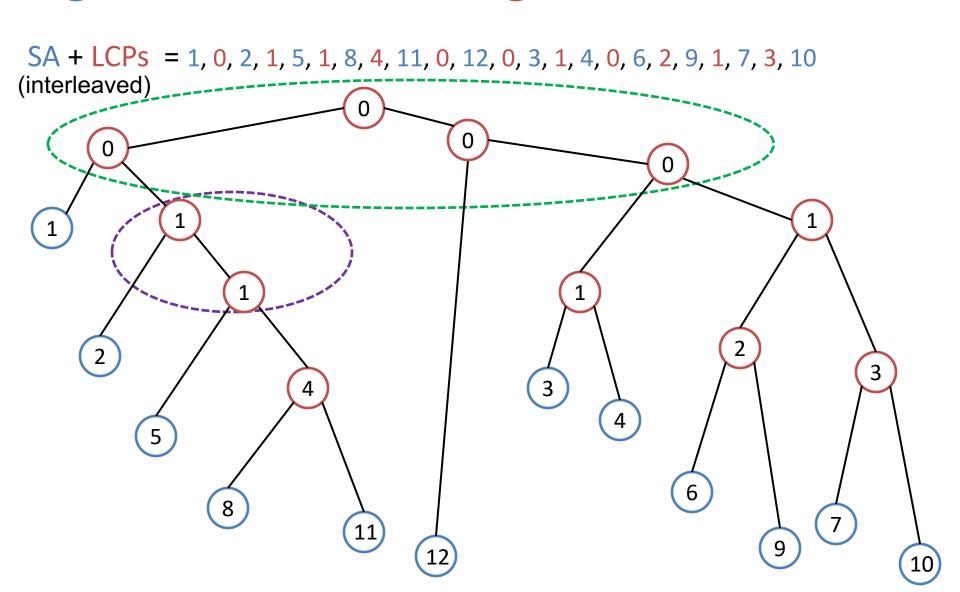
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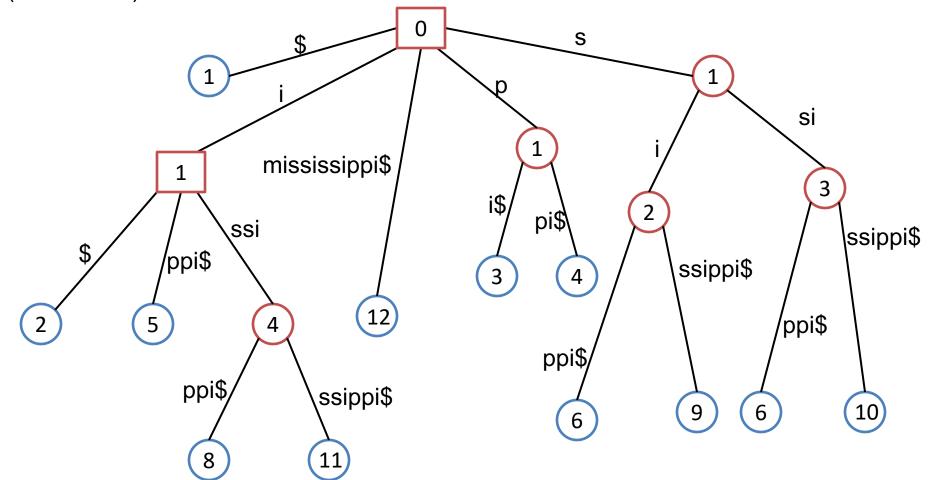


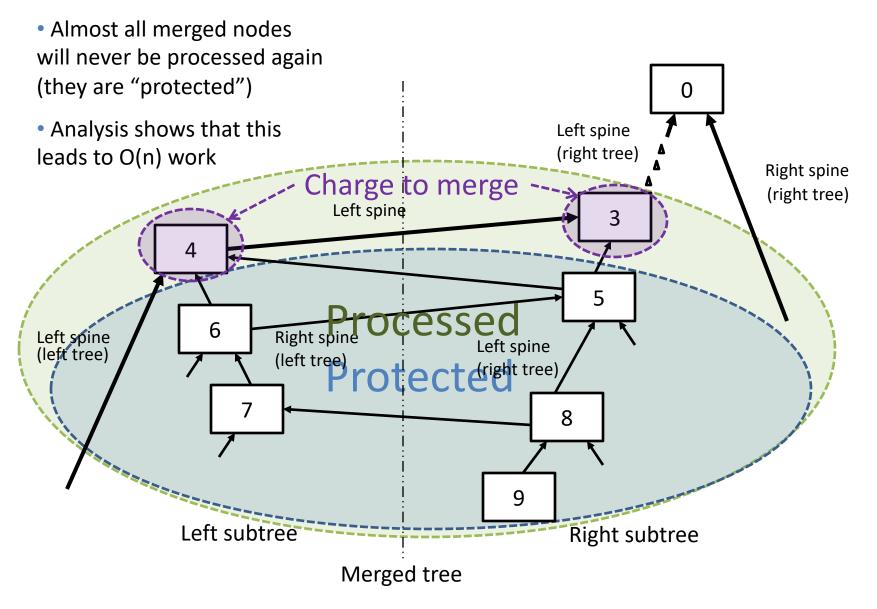
= Contracted internal node with LCP value

= Leaf node with suffix length

= Internal node with LCP value

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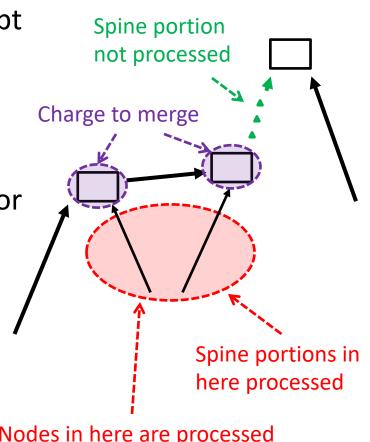
#### <u>Cartesian Tree - Complexity bounds</u>

 Observation: All nodes touched, except for two, become protected during a merge.

 Charge the processing of those two nodes to the merge itself (there are only 2n-1 merges). Other nodes pay for themselves and then get protected.

 It is important that when one spine has been completely processed, the merge does not process the rest of the other spine, otherwise we get O(n log n) work

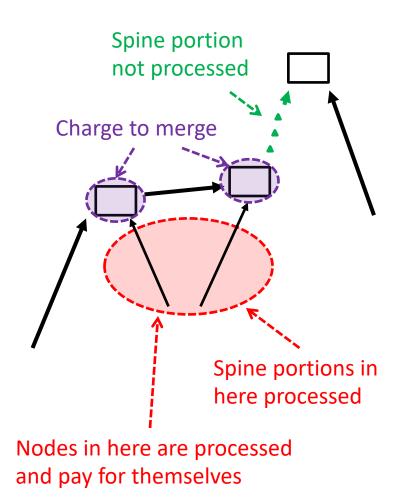
 Therefore, the merges contribute a total of O(n) work to the algorithm



Nodes in here are processed and pay for themselves

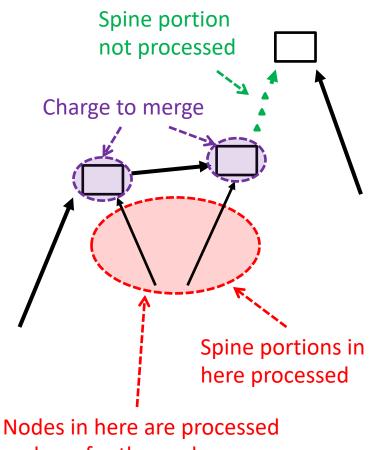
#### <u>Cartesian Tree - Complexity bounds</u>

- Maintain binary search trees for each spine so that the endpoint of the merge can be found efficiently (in O(log n) work and span)
- A parallel merge takes O(log n) span
- Merges contribute O(n) work, and searches in the spine cost O(log n) work per merge, so W(n) = 2W(n/2) + O(log n) = O(n)
- Span: Recursion is O(log n) deep and merges + binary search tree operations take O(log n) span, so the overall span is S(n) = O(log² n)



#### Multiway Cartesian Tree - Complexity bounds

- To obtain multiway Cartesian tree, use parallel tree contraction to compress adjacent nodes with the same value
- This can be done in O(n) work and O(log n) span, which is within our bounds
- We have a O(n) work and O(log² n) span algorithm for constructing a multiway Cartesian tree

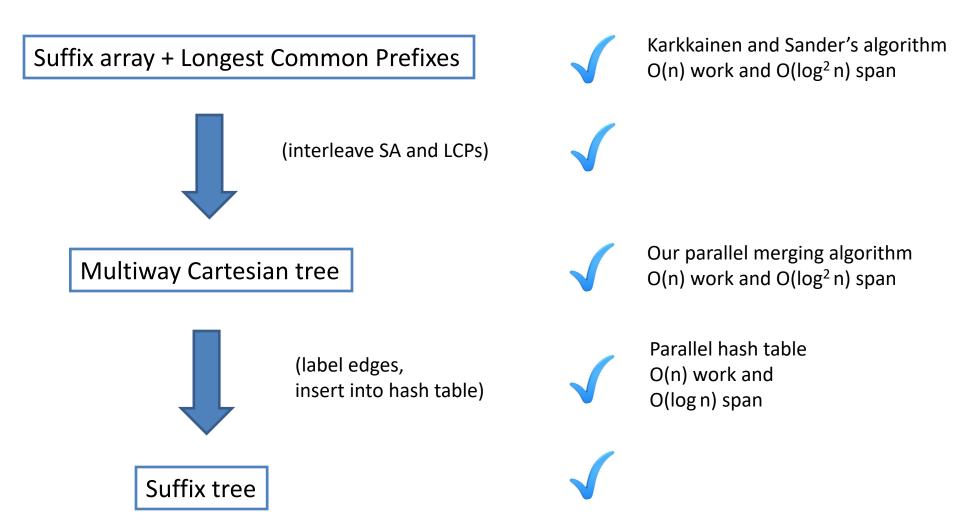


and pay for themselves

#### Parallel Cartesian Tree Implementation

```
struct node { node* parent; int value; };
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   void merge(node* left, node* right) {
     node* head;
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5
     if (left -> value > right -> value) {
6
       head = left; left = left ->parent;}
7
     else {head = right; right = right -> parent;}
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9
     \mathbf{while}(1) {
10
        if (left = NULL) {head->parent = right; break;}
        if (right == NULL) {head->parent = left; break;}
11
        if (left->value > right->value) {
12
          head->parent = left; left = left->parent;}
13
14
       else {head->parent = right; right = right->parent;}
       head = head->parent;}}
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17
   void cartesianTree(node* Nodes, int n) {
18
      if (n < 2) return;
19
     cilk_spawn cartesianTree (Nodes, n/2);
20
     cartesianTree (Nodes+n/2,n-n/2);
21
     cilk_sync;
22
     merge (Nodes+n/2-1, Nodes+n/2);
```

#### Suffix Array to Suffix Tree (in parallel)



#### **Experimental Setup**

- Implementations in Cilk Plus
- 40-core Intel Nehalem machine
- Inputs: real-world and artificial texts









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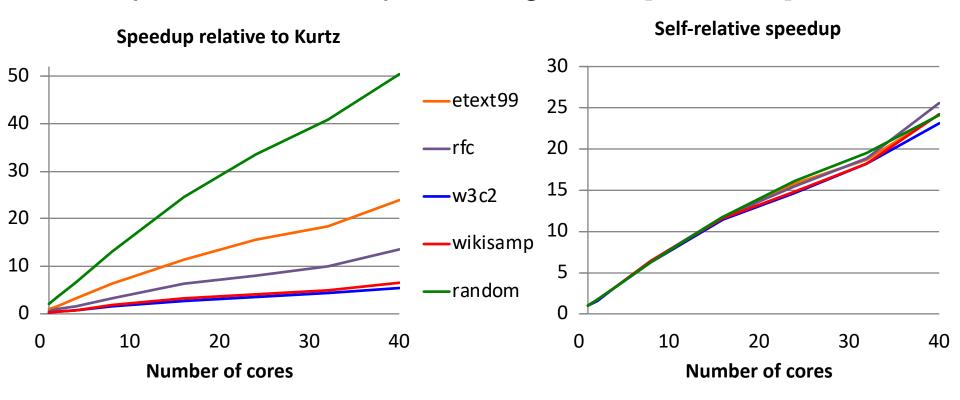
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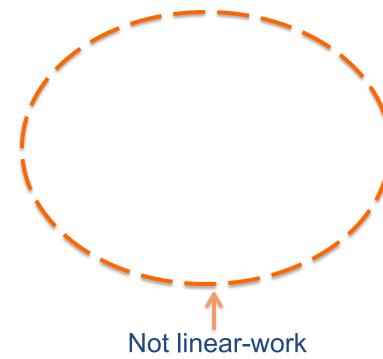
#### **Suffix Tree Experiments**

Compared to best sequential algorithm [Kurtz '99]



- Speedup varies from 5.4x to 50x on 40 cores
- Self-relative speedup 23x to 26x on 40 cores

#### Suffix Tree on Human Genome (≈3 GB)



- Differences due to various factors
  - Shared memory vs. distributed memory
  - Algorithmic differences

#### **Conclusions**

- Developed an O(n) work and O(log<sup>2</sup> n) span algorithm for parallel multiway Cartesian Tree construction
- This allows us to transform a suffix array into a suffix tree in parallel
- Experiments show that our implementations outperform existing ones and achieve good speedup