# Approximate Cartesian Tree Matching: an Approach Using Swaps

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#### Foreword

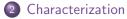
- It's about pattern matching in time series.
- Motivations:

share prices in stock markets, temperatures, notes in music, GST data in bioinformatics...

- In recent years, new pattern matching problems such as Order-Preserving Matching and Cartesian Tree Matching have been introduced.
- To the best of our knowledge, no approximate pattern matching problem existed in the Cartesian tree framework.

# Outline





#### Swap Graph



#### Preliminaries

#### Prerequisites

- Sequences of integers
- A total order <
- All elements of x are distinct and numbered from 1 to n (the length of x)

#### Cartesian tree [Vuillemin, 1980]

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  - *i* as its root,
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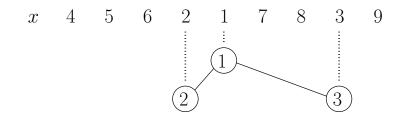
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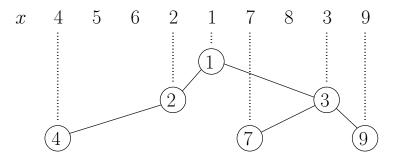
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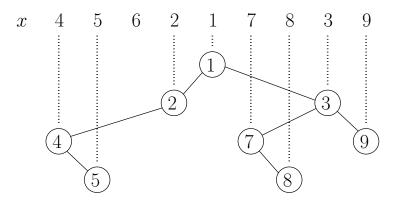
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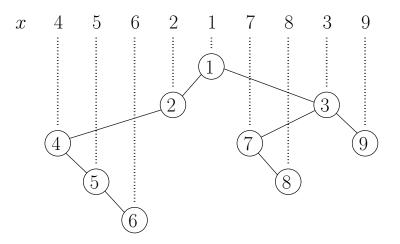
# NB: In our examples, we will label the nodes with the values instead of the indices

$$x$$
 4 5 6 2 1 7 8 3 9



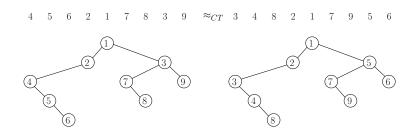






#### Similarity

Two sequences x and y are similar if they share the same Cartesian tree, and we note  $x \approx_{CT} y$ .



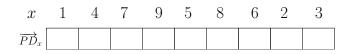
#### Cartesian tree matching [Park, Amir, Landau and Park, 2019]

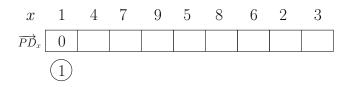
The Cartesian tree matching (CTM) problem is the following: Given a pattern p and a text t, find every factor f of t such that  $f \approx_{CT} p$ .

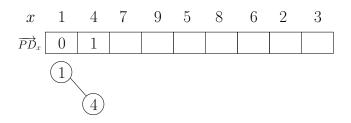
#### Parent-distance [PALP19]

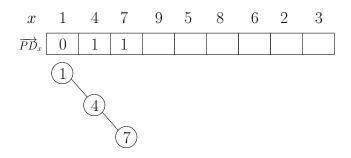
Given a sequence x[1...n], the parent-distance representation of x is an integer sequence  $\overrightarrow{PD}_x[1...n]$ , which is defined as follows:

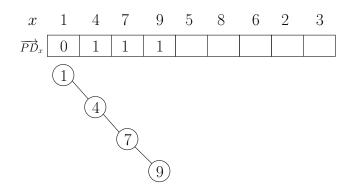
$$\overrightarrow{PD}_{x}[i] = \begin{cases} i - \max_{1 \le j < i} \{j \mid x[j] < x[i]\} & \text{if such } j \text{ exists} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

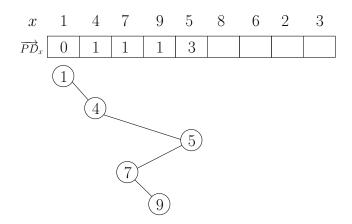


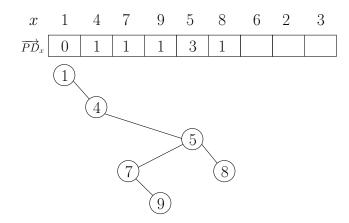


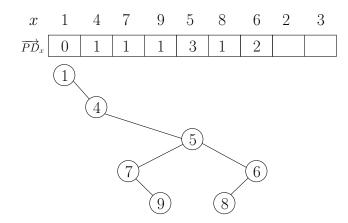


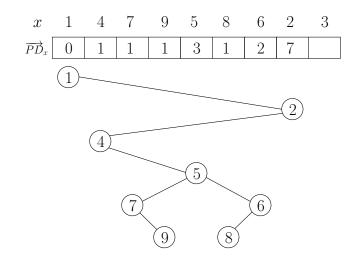


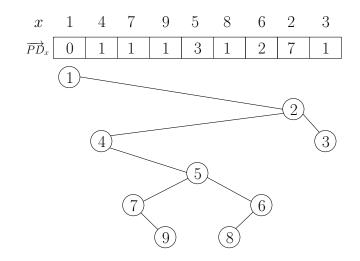








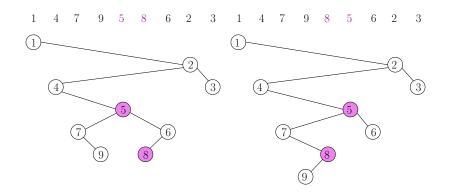




#### Swap

Let x and y be two sequences of length n, and  $i \in \{1, ..., n-1\}$ , we denote  $y = \tau(x, i)$  to describe a swap, that is:

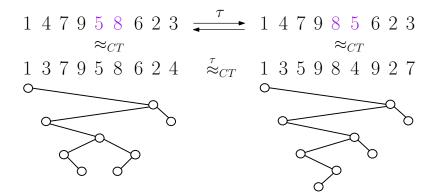
$$y = \tau(x, i) \text{ if } \begin{cases} x[j] = y[j], \forall j \notin \{i, i+1\} \\ x[i] = y[i+1] \\ x[i+1] = y[i] \end{cases}$$



#### Approximate CTM

Let x and y be two sequences of length n, we have  $x \stackrel{\tau}{\approx}_{CT} y$  if:

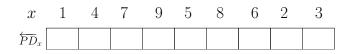
$$\begin{cases} x \approx_{CT} y \\ \text{or} \\ \exists x', y', \exists i \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}, x' \approx_{CT} x, y' \approx_{CT} y, \\ x' = \tau(y', i) \text{ and } y' = \tau(x', i) \end{cases}$$

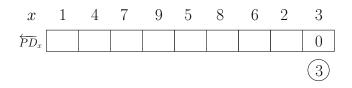


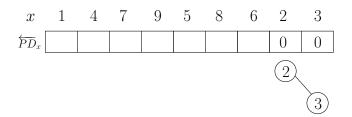
#### Reverse parent-distance

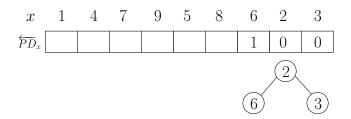
Given a sequence  $x[1 \dots n]$ , the reverse parent-distance of x is an integer sequence  $\overleftarrow{PD}_x[1 \dots n]$ , which is defined as follows:

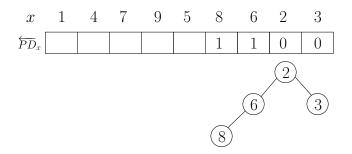
$$\overleftarrow{PD}_{x}[i] = \begin{cases} \min_{i > j \ge n} \{j \mid x[i] > x[j]\} - i & \text{if such } j \text{ exists} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

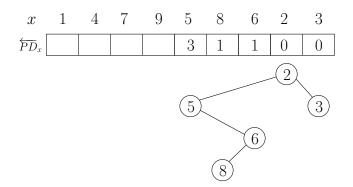


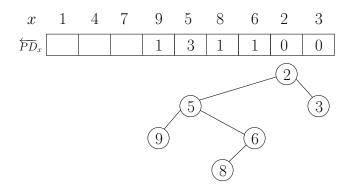


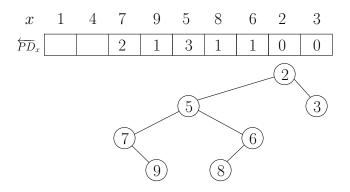


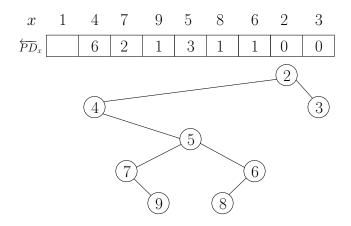


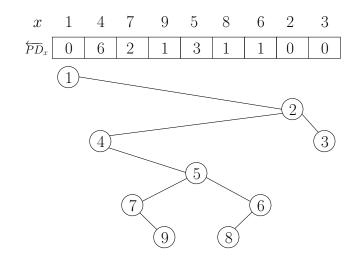




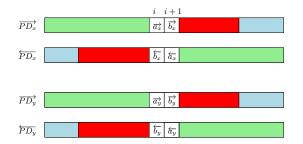






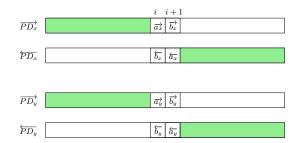


#### Overview

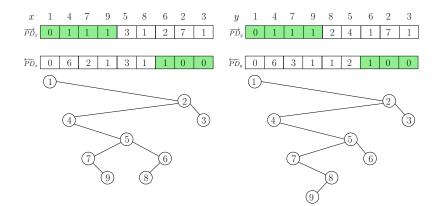


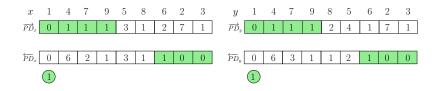
In the following, let us consider a simple example where  $y=\tau(x,i)$  and x[i] < x[i+1].

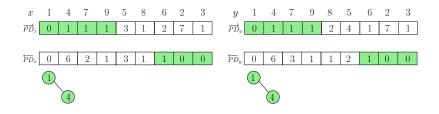
#### Green zones

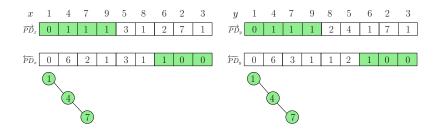


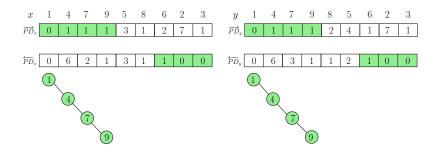
# Green zones lemma The green zones of $\overrightarrow{PD}_x$ and $\overrightarrow{PD}_y$ (resp. $\overleftarrow{PD}_x$ and $\overleftarrow{PD}_y$ ) are equal.

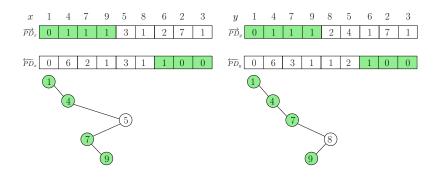


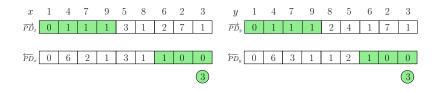


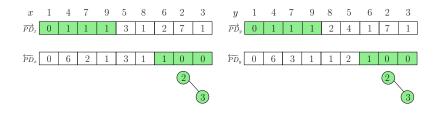


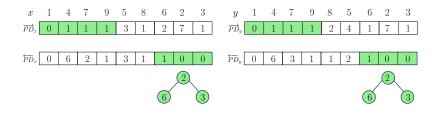


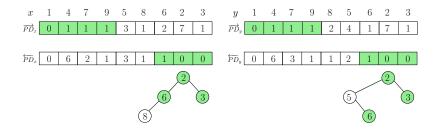




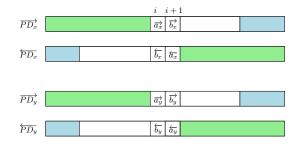








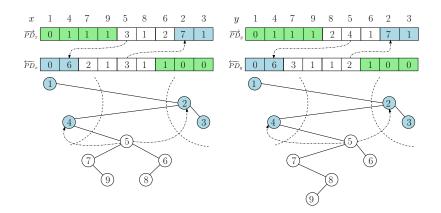
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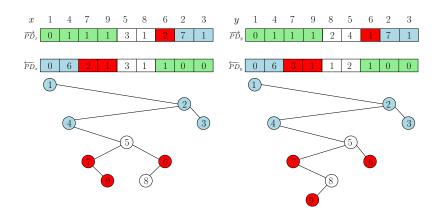
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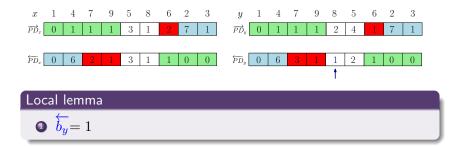


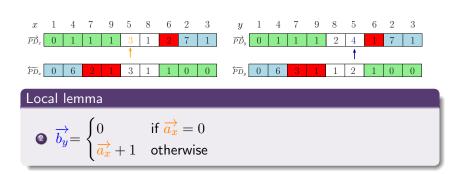
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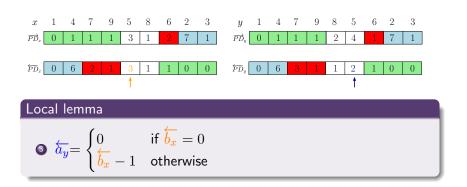
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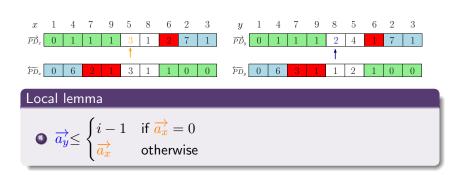
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## A parent-distance based algorithm

**Algorithm 1:** DoubleParentDistanceMethod(p, t)**Input** : A pattern p and a text t**Output:** The occurrences that  $\stackrel{\tau}{\approx}_{CT} p$  in t 1  $(\overrightarrow{PD}_n, \overleftarrow{PD}_n) \leftarrow$  Compute the parent-distance tables of p; 2 for  $j \in \{1, \dots, |t| - |p| + 1\}$  do  $(\overrightarrow{PD_r}, \overleftarrow{PD_x}) \leftarrow \text{Compute the parent-distance tables of}$ 3  $x = t[j \dots j + p - 1];$ if  $\overrightarrow{PD}_n = \overrightarrow{PD}_x$  then 4 An occurrence has been found: 5 else 6 **foreach** Eligible position for a swap **do** 7 if Lemmas Blue, Red and Local hold then 8 An occurrence has been found: 9

#### A parent-distance based algorithm

#### Complexity

The parent-distance based algorithm has a worst-case time complexity of  $\Theta(mn)$  and a  $\Theta(m)$  space complexity (where *m* is the length of the pattern and *n* the length of the text).

# Swap graph

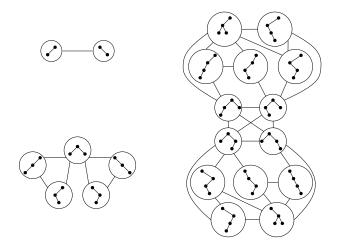
#### Definition

The swap graph of Cartesian trees for a given n is a graph where:

- The vertices are the Cartesian trees of size n
- There is an edge between two vertices T and T' if there exist 2 sequences x and y such that:

$$C(x) = T$$
,  $C(y) = T'$  and  $x \stackrel{\tau}{\approx}_{CT} y$ 

# Swap graph



#### Lower bound

#### Number of Cartesian trees

The number of Cartesian tree T with n nodes is the n-th Catalan number:

$$C_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n} = O\left(\frac{4^n}{n^{3/2}}\right)$$

#### Neighbours lemma

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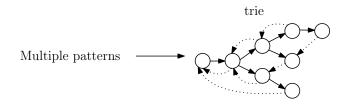
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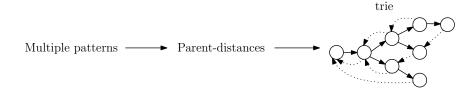
#### A lower bound for the graph diameter

The diameter of the swap graph is  $\Omega(\frac{n}{\ln n})$ .

#### [Alfred V. Aho, Margaret J. Corasick 1975]



#### [S. G. Park, A. Amir, G. M. Landau, K. Park 2019]





#### Complexity

The Aho-Corasick based algorithm has an  $O((m^2 + n) \log m)$ worst-case time complexity and an  $O(m^2)$  space complexity (where m is the length of the pattern and n the length of the text).

# Closing words

#### Perspectives

- Generalize our results
- Use another representation of CT
- Introduce new metrics for approximate CTM
- Filtration
- Average complexity

# Thank you for your attention!