

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

BST

Yule tree

# The height of the Lyndon tree

Philippe CHASSAING and Lucas MERCIER

Université de Lorraine  
IECL

AOFA 2013

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

BST

Yule tree

► Alphabet:  $\{0, 1\}$

- ▶ Alphabet:  $\{0, 1\}$
- ▶ Suffixes: If  $w = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$ , then
$$s_k(w) = w_k w_{k+1} \dots w_n.$$
$$s_1(w) = w.$$

- ▶ Alphabet:  $\{0, 1\}$
- ▶ Suffixes: If  $w = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$ , then
$$s_k(w) = w_k w_{k+1} \dots w_n.$$
$$s_1(w) = w.$$
- ▶  $w$  is a Lyndon word if  $\forall k \leq |w|, w \leq s_k(w)$  (for the lexicographic order)

- ▶ Alphabet:  $\{0, 1\}$
- ▶ Suffixes: If  $w = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$ , then
$$s_k(w) = w_k w_{k+1} \dots w_n.$$
$$s_1(w) = w.$$
- ▶  $w$  is a Lyndon word if  $\forall k \leq |w|, w \leq s_k(w)$  (for the lexicographic order)
- ▶ Standard right factor of  $w$ :  
smallest  $s_k(w)$ ,  $2 \leq k \leq n$ .

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

# Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Split at the standard right factor, and iterate.

000110010111001

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

BST

Yule tree

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

# Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Split at the standard right factor, and iterate.

000110010111001

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

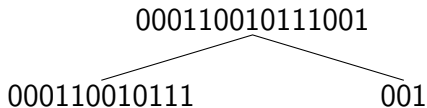
BST

Yule tree

# Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Split at the standard right factor, and iterate.

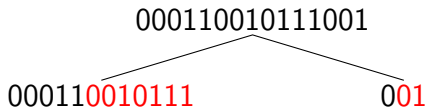




# Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

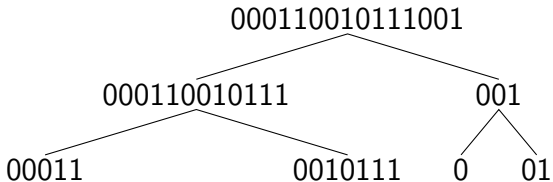
Split at the standard right factor, and iterate.



# Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

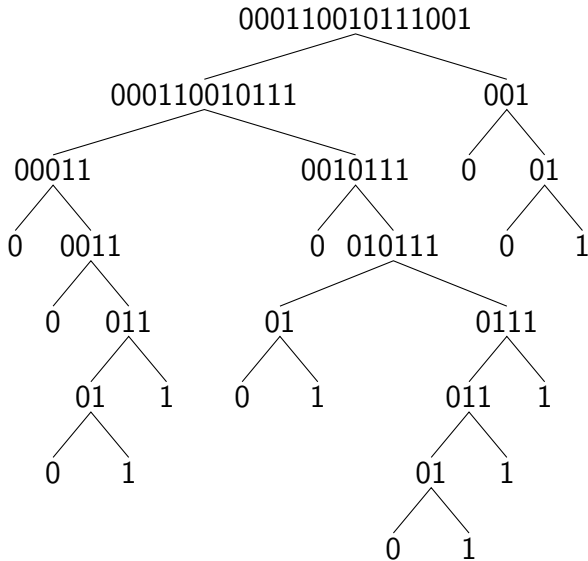
Split at the standard right factor, and iterate.



# Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Split at the standard right factor, and iterate.



Let  $L_n$  be a Lyndon word chosen uniformly among the Lyndon words of length  $n$ , and let  $H_n$  be the height of the associated Lyndon tree.

Let  $L_n$  be a Lyndon word chosen uniformly among the Lyndon words of length  $n$ , and let  $H_n$  be the height of the associated Lyndon tree.

## Theorem

$$\frac{H_n}{\ln n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{p} \gamma$$

where  $\gamma = \sup_{\theta} f(\theta) \simeq 5.092 \dots$

Let  $L_n$  be a Lyndon word chosen uniformly among the Lyndon words of length  $n$ , and let  $H_n$  be the height of the associated Lyndon tree.

## Theorem

$$\frac{H_n}{\ln n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{p} \gamma$$

where  $\gamma = \sup_{\theta} f(\theta) \simeq 5.092 \dots$

No recursive structure.

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

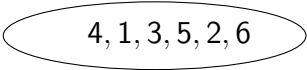
Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

BST

Yule tree

# Binary search tree of a sequence



4, 1, 3, 5, 2, 6

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

# Binary search tree of a sequence

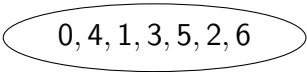
Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

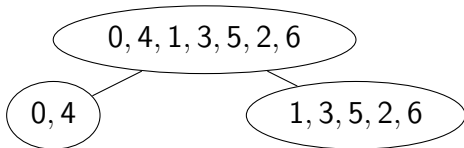
BST



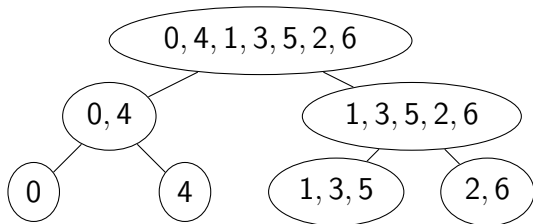
Yule tree



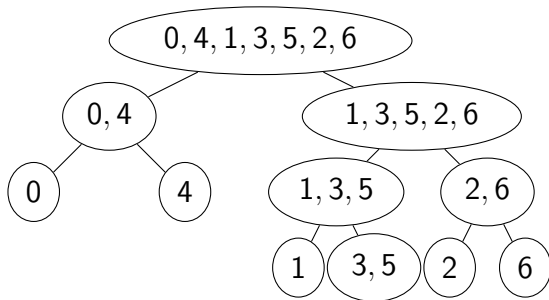
# Binary search tree of a sequence



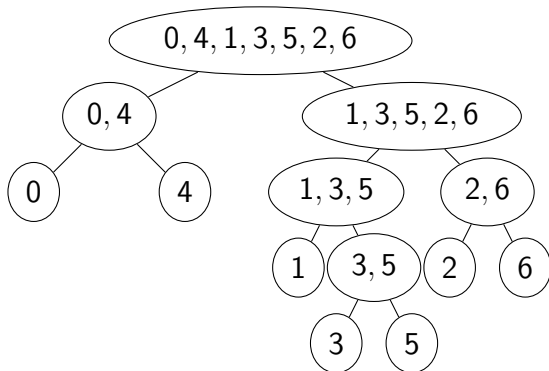
# Binary search tree of a sequence



# Binary search tree of a sequence



# Binary search tree of a sequence



- ▶ Ordering the suffixes with the lexicographic order induces a permutation  $\sigma(w)$  on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ .

**Example:**  $w = 0110$ .

$(s_1(w), s_2(w), s_3(w), s_4(w)) = (0110, 110, 10, 0)$   
gives  $\sigma(w) = (2, 4, 3, 1)$ .

- ▶ Ordering the suffixes with the lexicographic order induces a permutation  $\sigma(w)$  on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ .

**Example:**  $w = 0110$ .

$(s_1(w), s_2(w), s_3(w), s_4(w)) = (0110, 110, 10, 0)$   
gives  $\sigma(w) = (2, 4, 3, 1)$ .

- ▶ A word  $w$  is a Lyndon word if  $\sigma(w)_1 = 1$

- ▶ Ordering the suffixes with the lexicographic order induces a permutation  $\sigma(w)$  on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ .

**Example:**  $w = 0110$ .

$(s_1(w), s_2(w), s_3(w), s_4(w)) = (0110, 110, 10, 0)$   
gives  $\sigma(w) = (2, 4, 3, 1)$ .

- ▶ A word  $w$  is a Lyndon word if  $\sigma(w)_1 = 1$
- ▶ The binary search tree associated to  $\sigma(w)$  is the Lyndon tree of  $w$ .

- ▶ Ordering the suffixes with the lexicographic order induces a permutation  $\sigma(w)$  on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ .

**Example:**  $w = 0110$ .

$(s_1(w), s_2(w), s_3(w), s_4(w)) = (0110, 110, 10, 0)$   
gives  $\sigma(w) = (2, 4, 3, 1)$ .

- ▶ A word  $w$  is a Lyndon word if  $\sigma(w)_1 = 1$
- ▶ The binary search tree associated to  $\sigma(w)$  is the Lyndon tree of  $w$ .
- ▶ But  $\sigma(w)$  is not uniform. Suffixes are not independent.



The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

BST

Yule tree

Suffixes far away are almost independent.

Suffixes far away are almost independent.

To find the smallest suffixes, we look for the longest runs of 0s. The position of the longest runs (and therefore smallest suffixes) is uniform. The top of the tree *looks like*  $BST_n$

Suffixes far away are almost independent.

To find the smallest suffixes, we look for the longest runs of 0s. The position of the longest runs (and therefore smallest suffixes) is uniform. The top of the tree *looks like*  $BST_n$

Echoes: if  $s_k(w)$  starts with a  $l$  consecutive 0s,  $s_{k+1}(w)$  starts with  $l - 1$  consecutive 0s.

Suffixes far away are almost independent.

To find the smallest suffixes, we look for the longest runs of 0s. The position of the longest runs (and therefore smallest suffixes) is uniform. The top of the tree *looks like*  $BST_n$

Echoes: if  $s_k(w)$  starts with a  $l$  consecutive 0s,  $s_{k+1}(w)$  starts with  $l - 1$  consecutive 0s.

At the bottom of the tree, suffixes are no longer independent...

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

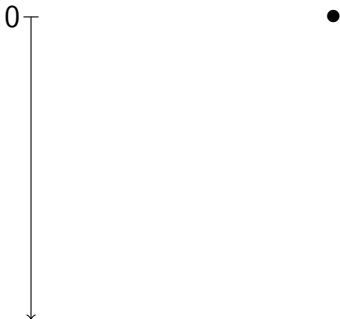
Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word  
Lyndon tree  
BST

Yule tree

# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.



The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

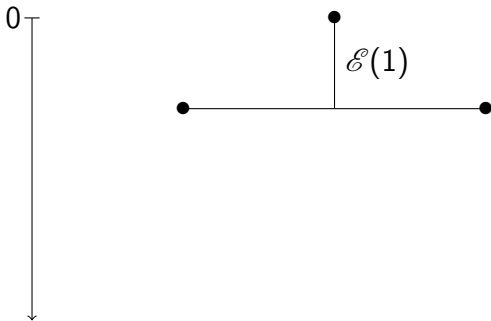
Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

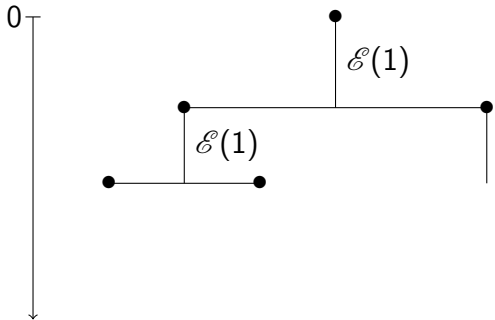
BST

Yule tree

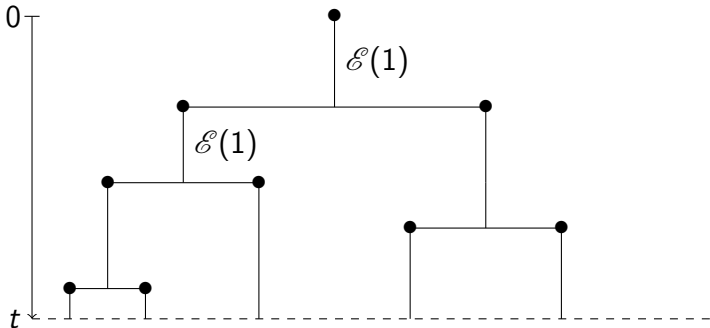
# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.



# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.



# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.



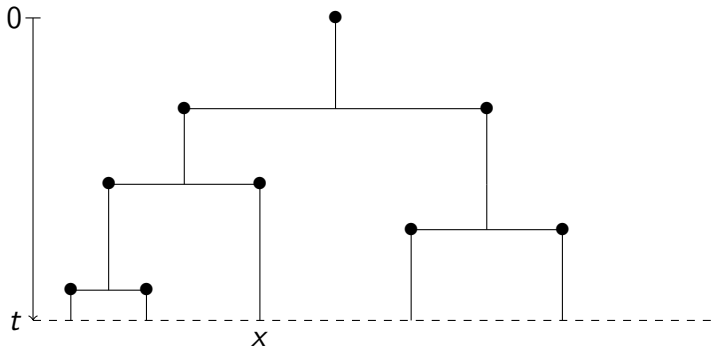


The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree  
Lyndon word  
Lyndon tree  
BST  
Yule tree

# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.

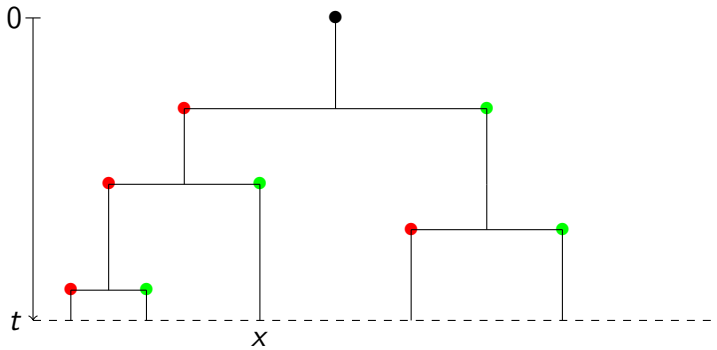


The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree  
Lyndon word  
Lyndon tree  
BST  
Yule tree

# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.



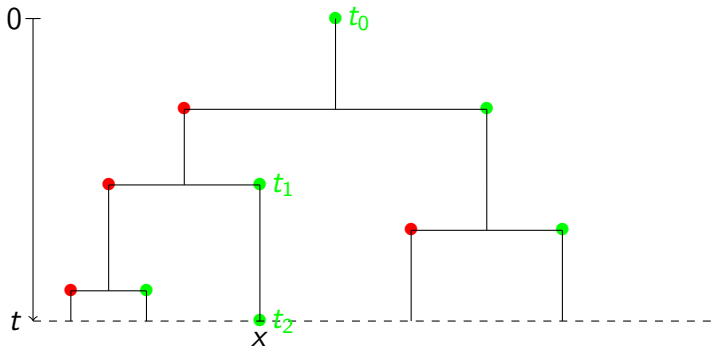


The height of the  
Lyndon tree

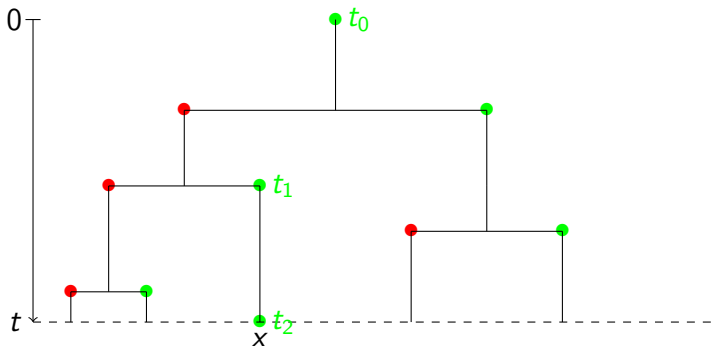
Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree  
Lyndon word  
Lyndon tree  
BST  
Yule tree

# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.



# Pseudo-height of a Yule tree.



$$h_x = \begin{cases} \text{the depth of } x \text{ in the Yule tree} \\ + \sum_i [t_{i+1} - t_i] \\ + \text{Geom}(\frac{1}{2}) \end{cases}$$

The height of the  
Lyndon tree

Philippe  
CHASSAING and  
Lucas MERCIER

Lyndon tree

Lyndon word

Lyndon tree

BST

Yule tree

# Thanks for your attention!