Full-Text Search Using Double-Array CDAWG

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Abstract—Double-Array is a method widely used for handling sets of strings. While the method can conduct fast retrieval, there are no application examples for Full-Text Search. Compact directed acyclic word graph (CDAWG) is a data structure preserving some features of directed acyclic word graph (DAWG), and requires less space than DAWG. When using CDAWG for Full-Text Search, it can make a graph to conduct fast retrieval not depending on a text size. A method that represents DAWG using Double-Array has been proposed. Therefore, we propose a new method using Double-Array CDAWG for high speed Full-Text Search. Experimental results show the effectiveness of the proposed method.

Index Terms—CDAWG, double-array, full-text search, genome search.

I. INTRODUCTION

Techniques that search need data are required for extensively increasing data. Full-Text Search is one of the techniques. Full-Text Search is a technique for searching substrings from a full-text database. For example, Full-Text Search is used for web searches and genome searches. While compressed suffix array (CSA) [1]-[3] excels in existing methods [4], the retrieval time depends on a text size. Therefore, CSA is not suitable for large scale documents in retrieval time. By contrast, a suffix compact directed acyclic word graph (CDAWG) implements Full-Text Search using a graph which handles all suffixes of a text. CDAWG [5], [6] is a data structure for a more compact representation of directed acyclic word graph (DAWG) [7]. The suffix CDAWG has an advantage that can conduct fast retrieval not depending on a text size in Full-Text Search. However, a size of the graph is larger than an array size of CSA.

In this paper, we propose high speed Full-Text Search using Double-Array [8]. A trie [9] is a data structure for handling sets of strings. Double-Array can conduct fast retrieval in the trie. Additionally, Double-Array can also represent DAWG [10]. However, there is not a method that represents CDAWG using Double-Array. Hence, we propose Double-Array representing suffix CDAWG and applies it for high speed Full-Text Search.

II. FULL-TEXT SEARCH AND DOUBLE-ARRAY

A. Outline of Full-Text Search

In text retrieval, Full-Text Search refers to techniques for searching substrings from a full-text database. When dealing with a large number of documents, Full-Text Index that is a popular technique, divides the documents into two tasks: indexing and searching. The indexing scans texts all of the documents and builds a list of search terms. In the searching, the index is referenced to obtain a specific query. In Full-Text Index, there are methods using all suffixes of the full-text to search a query fully and fast. For example, the methods include a suffix trie, a suffix tree, a suffix DAWG, and a suffix CDAWG.

A suffix trie, a suffix tree, a suffix DAWG, and a suffix CDAWG for a finite string \( w \) are denoted as \( \text{Trie}(w) \), \( \text{Tree}(w) \), \( \text{DAWG}(w) \), and \( \text{CDAWG}(w) \), respectively. \( \text{Trie}(w) \) is a data structure to represent every suffix of \( w \) in a trie. The trie is an ordered tree data structure used to store strings. There are two operations, compaction and minimization, to reduce trie nodes. Operation compaction compacts longest paths consisting of nodes having one child. Operation minimization identifies isomorphic subtrees. Operations compaction and minimization to \( \text{Trie}(w) \) lead to \( \text{Tree}(w) \) and \( \text{DAWG}(w) \), respectively. \( \text{CDAWG}(w) \) is built from either compaction to \( \text{DAWG}(w) \) or minimization to \( \text{Tree}(w) \).

Fig. 1 shows \( \text{Tree}(w) \), \( \text{DAWG}(w) \), and \( \text{CDAWG}(w) \) by setting \( w = \text{“gtgtaaac”} \). A special end marker symbol ‘$’ is used at the end of strings in the examples. Figs.1 (a) and (b) show that there is not any difference between the amounts of nodes in the \( \text{Tree}(w) \) and the \( \text{DAWG}(w) \). It is hard to choose which operation is an effective technique for a finite string. Fig. 1 (c) shows the number of nodes in the \( \text{CDAWG}(w) \) is the smallest of the 3 methods because the \( \text{CDAWG}(w) \) is given by the \( \text{trie}(w) \) with compaction and minimization. Therefore, \( \text{CDAWG}(w) \) is an efficient data structure in the Full-Text Search.

B. Outline of Double-Array

Double-Array uses two one-dimensional arrays, named BASE and CHECK, to represent trie nodes. Elements BASE\([s]\) and CHECK\([s]\) correspond to node \( s \). The following equations represent an arc from node \( s \) to node \( t \) with character \( c \).

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t = \text{BASE}[s] + c \text{ and CHECK}[t] = c.
\] (1)

The position of the destination node \( t \) is calculated by the sum of the offset BASE\([s]\) and the numerical code of character \( c \). The character \( c \) is stored in CHECK\([t]\). In
different nodes \( s \) and \( s' \), if \( \text{BASE}[s] \) and \( \text{BASE}[s'] \) are the same, these are traversed to the same node \( t \). Accordingly, all BASE values need to be constructed as different values. Equation (1) does not allow of a transition with a string or over 2 characters.

- Meanwhile, a DAWG is a data structure to identify isomorphic subtrees in a trie. Since, there is a possibility that some nodes have the same destination node in a DAWG, Double-Array cannot represent an original DAWG. Yata \textit{et al.} presented a method that is a designed DAWG for Double-Array [10].

![Diagram of Tree and DAWG](image)

**Fig. 1. Three methods for \( w \).**

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Fig. 2 shows the designed DAWG(\( w \)). Values of \{‘$’, ‘a’, ‘c’, ‘g’, ‘t’\} are denoted \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\} in Equation (1), respectively. To use Double-Array, there are a few more the nodes than the original DAWG(\( w \)) of Fig. 1 (b). In the traversal from nodes 4 and 15 to node 16, Equation (1) is satisfied because their arc labels are the same.

**III. PROPOSED METHOD**

As described in Section II, CDAWG(\( w \)) is an efficient data structure in Full-Text Search. We propose a new method that is a suffix CDAWG using Double-Array for high speed Full-Text Search. In some cases, an arc label is string in a CDAWG. It is necessary to represent the string labels for applying Double-Array to CDAWG representation. Fig. 1 (c) shows that there are two types of the arc strings including the special end marker symbol ‘$’ or not, named \textit{terminal string} and \textit{internal string}, respectively. The proposed method has representations for them. Sections 3.1 and 3.2 show how to represent terminal strings and internal strings, respectively.

**A. TAIL**

General Double-Array implementation stores each suffix, which corresponds to only a registered string in a trie, to an array TAIL in order to reduce the number of nodes. The common suffixes are merged. The terminal strings become common suffixes in a text. Therefore, TAIL is suitable for storing terminal strings. Fig. 3 shows CDAWG(\( w \)) in Fig. 1 (c) is designed for Double-Array. The CDAWG requires less nodes than the designed DAWG of Fig. 2. Additionally, Fig. 3. shows TAIL represents terminal strings in the CDAWG(\( w \)). The seven terminal strings are integrated into the TAIL in Fig. 3.

**B. Representation of Internal Strings**

This subsection discusses representation of internal strings. The proposed method divides an internal string into the first character and the rest. The first character and the rest of a string label to node \( s \) are stored in CHECK[\( s \)] and a new array called REMAIN, respectively. Furthermore, we prepare two bit arrays, named \( B \) and \( S \), for referring to REMAIN from CHECK. \( B[s] \) is set to 1 when the arc label to node \( s \) is string. \( S[i] \) is set to 1 when REMAIN[\( i \)] corresponds to the initial position of the rest. The following operations [11] are used to
IV. EVALUATION

A. Experimental Details

We verified the effectiveness of the proposed method. As described in Section I, CSA excels in existing methods [4].

For this reason, we used CSA provided from csalib100810 [12] as a comparative method. CSA and the proposed method were implemented with C and C++, respectively. Experiments for retrieval speed and index size were executed on Windows10 Pro based on Intel (R) Core (TM) i7-4785T CPU@2.20GHz (RAM : 16GB). The experiments used 50MB of the DNA data and 50MB of the ENGLISH data from Pizza&Chili Corpus [13]. We extracted 100,000 characters from the beginning of them as full text documents. We prepared 100,000 queries extracted from the random positions of the documents each. The queries have four pattern lengths of 10, 30, 60, and 90 characters. The retrieval times were measured for the 100,000 queries. Each test was averaged on 10 runs. The options of CSA were set to "-P3:512 –I:128:256" for the DNA data and "-P4:512 –I:128:256" for the ENGLISH data.

B. Results and Discussion

Table I shows the retrieval time for each document. When the query-length is 10 characters in the ENGLISH data, the proposed method can conduct the retrieval 201 times faster than CSA. When query-length is 90 characters, the proposed method can conduct the retrieval 1400 times faster than CSA. As can be seen from the result, the length of a query doesn’t affect the retrieval time in the proposed method.

Table II shows the index size for each document. The index sizes of the proposed method are 21 and 9 times larger than those of CSA in the DNA data and ENGLISH data, respectively. However, the proposed method excels in trade-off between the retrieval time and the index size. When query-length is 10 characters in the retrieval time for the DNA data, the proposed method can conduct the retrieval 124 times faster than CSA even though the result is the smallest difference in Table I. From these results, the proposed method is efficient for high speed Full-Text-Search.

![Fig. 3. CDAWG(ω) in Fig. 1 is designed for Double-Array with TAIL.](image)

![Fig. 4. CHECK and REMAIN for CDAWG(ω) in Fig. 2.](image)

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V. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have proposed Full-Text Search using Double-Array CDAWG. As described in Section 4, the proposed method can conduct the retrieval much faster than CSA. Future studies will reduce the index sizes, compare the proposed method with other methods for Full-Text Search, and conduct experiments for longer documents.

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