

# lzd, v. 0.6: Lempel-Ziv Decomposition

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## 1 Introduction

The Lempel-Ziv decomposition (Ziv and Lempel, 1977) divides a string into repeating subunits. More formally, let  $S$  be a string, then starting at the first position of  $S$ ,  $S[1]$ , look for the longest prefix of  $S[1..]$  that is repeated somewhere to the left of  $S[1]$ . If there is no repeat, as in the case of the first character, the character itself is the factor. The search for the next factor would start at  $S[2]$ , and so on. For example, let  $S = \text{CCCTCTGCGA}$ , the decomposition is

`C.CC.T.CT.G.C.G.A`

You can think of these factors as being “left”-repeats, as the repeat starting at  $S[i]$  is always located to the left of  $S[i]$ , while the remainder of the string to the right-hand side is ignored.

The Lempel-Ziv decomposition is central to data compression algorithms and the program `lzd` simply serves as a didactic tool to generate the decomposition. This is done following the algorithm by (Crochemore et al., 2008) and a table like the one shown in their Figure 1 can also be generated by `lzd`.

## 2 Getting Started

`lzd` was written in C on a computer running Linux and should work on any standard UNIX system. However, please contact me at [haubold@evolbio.mpg.de](mailto:haubold@evolbio.mpg.de) if you have any problems with the program.

- Unpack the program

```
tar -xvzf lzd_XXX.tgz
```

where XXX indicates the version.

- Change into the newly created directory

```
cd Lzd_XXX
```

and list its contents

```
ls
```

- Generate `lzd`

```
make
```

- List its options

```
./lzd -h
```

- The input string for `lzd` needs to be in FASTA format, which is widely used in bioinformatics and consists of a header line beginning with `>`, followed by the text on an arbitrary number of non-empty lines. For an example, take a look at the example sequence discussed above:

```
cat Data/test.fasta
>TestSeq
CCCTCTGCGA
```

To factorize it, type

```
./lzd ./Data/test.fasta
C.CC.T.CT.G.C.G.A
```

- To factorize the example string used by (Crochemore et al., 2008), type

```
./lzd ./Data/algPaper.fasta
a.b.b.a.abb.baa.ab.ab
```

- To also reproduce Figure 1 by (Crochemore et al., 2008), use the `-t` option:

```
./lzd -t ./Data/algPaper.fasta
i w[i] sa[i] lcp[i] lpf[i]
0 a 8 0 0
1 b 9 2 0
2 b 3 0 1
3 a 12 1 1
4 a 10 1 3
5 b 0 0 2
6 b 4 3 4
7 b 13 0 3
8 a 7 0 2
9 a 2 0 3
10 a 11 2 2
11 b 6 1 2
12 a 1 0 2
13 b 5 2 1
a.b.b.a.abb.baa.ab.ab
```

## 3 Listings

The following listings document central parts of `lzd`.

### 3.1 The Driver Program: `lzd.c`

```
1  /***** lzd.c *****/
   * Description:
   * Author: Bernhard Haubold, haubold@evolbio.mpg.de
   * Date: Wed Jul 29 16:03:05 2015
   *****/
6  #include <stdio.h>
   #include <stdlib.h>
   #include <unistd.h>
   #include <fcntl.h>
   #include "interface.h"
```

```

11 #include "eprintf.h"
#include "sequenceData.h"
#include "complexity.h"

void scanFile(int fd, Args *args){
16 Sequence *seq;
char *origSeq;
    int i;
    long origLen;
    LempelZivFact *lzf;

21 seq = readFasta(fd);
origLen = seq->len;
origSeq = seq->seq;
for (i=0; i<seq->numSeq; i++){
26     if (i) {
        seq->len = seq->borders[i]-seq->borders[i-1]-1;
        seq->seq += (seq->borders[i]+1);
        if (args->m)
            lzf = mlComplexity(seq);
31     else
        lzf = lzComplexity(seq);
        seq->seq -= (seq->borders[i]+1);
    } else {
        seq->len = seq->borders[i];
36     if (args->m)
        lzf = mlComplexity(seq);
        else
        lzf = lzComplexity(seq);
    }
41 lzf->str = origSeq;
lzf->strLen = origLen;
if (args->n) {
    printf("#_n\tn/site\n");
    printf("%ld\tt%g\n", lzf->n, (double) lzf->n / (double) lzf->strLen);
46 } else
    printLzDecomp(lzf, args);
seq->seq = origSeq;
freeLempelZivFact(lzf);
}

51 seq->len = origLen;
freeSequence(seq);
freeEsa();
}

56 int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
    int i, fd;
    char *version;
    Args *args;

61 version = "0.6";
setprogname2("lzd");
args = getArgs(argc, argv);
if (args->v)

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    printSplash(version);
66  if(args->h || args->e)
    printUsage(version);
    if(args->numInputFiles == 0){
        fd = 0;
        scanFile(fd, args);
71  }else{
        for(i=0;i<args->numInputFiles;i++){
            fd = open(args->inputFiles[i],0);
            scanFile(fd, args);
            close(fd);
76  }
    }
    free(args);
    free(progname());
    return 0;
81 }

```

### 3.2 Calculating the Enhanced Suffix Array: `esa.c`

```

/***** esa.c *****/
* Description: Enhanced Suffix Array.
* Reference: Abouelhoda, Kurtz, and Ohlebusch
4 * (2002). The enhanced suffix array and its
* applications to genome analysis. Proceedings
* of the Second Workshop on Algorithms in
* Bioinformatics, Springer Verlag, Lecture Notes
* in Computer Science.
9 * Author: Bernhard Haubold, haubold@evolbio.mpg.de
* Date: Mon Jul 15 11:11:19 2013
*****/
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
14 #include <assert.h>
#include <divsufsort.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "eprintf.h"
#include "esa.h"
19
Esa *globalEsa;
long *globalIsa;

long *getSa(Sequence *seq){
24  long i, n, *sa2;
  sauchar_t *t;
  saidx_t *sa1;

  n = seq->len;
29  t = (sauchar_t *)seq->seq;
  sa1 = (saidx_t *)emalloc((size_t)n * sizeof(saidx_t));
  if(divsufsort(t,sa1,(saidx_t)n) != 0){
    printf("ERROR[esa]:_suffix_sorting_failed.\n");
    exit(-1);
34  }
  sa2= (long *)emalloc(n*sizeof(long));

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    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
        sa2[i] = (long) sa1[i];
    free(sa1);
39    return sa2;
}

/* getLcp: compute LCP array using the algorithm in Figure 3
 *   of Kasai et al (2001). Linear-time longest-common-prefix
44 *   computation in suffix arrays and its applications. LNCS 2089
 *   p. 191-192.
 */
long *getLcp(long *sa, Sequence *seq){
    long i, j, h, n, *rank, *lcp;
49    char *t;

    n = seq->len;
    t = seq->seq;
    rank = (long *)emalloc(n*sizeof(long));
54    lcp = (long *)emalloc(n*sizeof(long));
    for(i=0;i<n;i++){
        rank[sa[i]] = i;
        h = 0;
        lcp[0] = 0;
59    for(i=0;i<n;i++){
        if(rank[i] > 0){
            j = sa[rank[i]-1];
            while(t[i+h] == t[j+h]){
                h++;
64            }
            lcp[rank[i]] = h;
            if(h>0)
                h--;
        }
69    }
    globalIsa = rank;
    return lcp;
}

74 Esa *getEsa(Sequence *seq){
    Esa *esa;

    esa = (Esa *)emalloc(sizeof(Esa));
    esa->sa = getSa(seq);
79    esa->lcp = getLcp(esa->sa, seq);
    esa->isa = globalIsa;
    esa->n = seq->len;

    globalEsa = esa;
84
    return esa;
}

void freeEsa(){

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    free(globalEsa->sa);
    free(globalEsa->lcp);
    free(globalEsa->isa);

94     free(globalEsa);
    }

```

### 3.3 Lempel-Ziv Factorization: factor.c

```

/***** factor.c *****/
* Description: Compute the longest previous factor
*   array using a suffix array and a longest
*   common prefix array.
5  * Reference: Crochemore, M., Ilie, L. and Smyth,
*   W. F. (2008). A simple algorithm for com-
*   puting the Lempel Ziv factorization. In:
*   Data Compression Conference, p. 482-488.
*   Computing longest previous factor in linear
10  * time and applications.
* Author: Bernhard Haubold, haubold@evolbio.mpg.de
* Date: Mon Jul 15 10:29:09 2013
*****/
#include <stdio.h>
15 #include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include "factor.h"
#include "stack.h"
#include "eprintf.h"
20 #include "esa.h"
#include "interface.h"

long *globalSa;
long *globalLcp = NULL;
25 long *globalLpf;
long *globalIsa = NULL;

long minimum(long a, long b){
    if(a < b)
30     return a;
    else
        return b;
}

35 long maximum(long a, long b){
    if(a > b)
        return a;
    else
        return b;
40 }

void initGlobalLcp(Esa *esa) {
    int n = esa->n;
    globalLcp = (long *)emalloc(n * sizeof(long));
45     for(int i=0; i < n; i++)
        globalLcp[i] = esa->lcp[i];
}

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```

}

/*
50 * computeLpf: Compute longest previous factor
  * Reference: M. Crochemore, L. Ilie, W.F. Smyth.
  * A simple algorithm for computing the Lempel-Ziv
  * factorization, in: J.A. Storer, M.W. Marcellini
  * (Eds.), 18th Data Compression Conference, IEEE
55 * Computer Society, Los Alamitos, CA, 2008,
  * pp. 482-488.
  */
long *computeLpf(Esa *esa){
    long i, n;
60    long *lpf, *sa, *lcp;

    n = esa->n;
    esa->lcp = erealloc(esa->lcp, (n+1)*sizeof(long));
    esa->sa = erealloc(esa->sa, (n+1)*sizeof(long));
65    lpf = (long *)emalloc((n+1) * sizeof(long));

    initGlobalLcp(esa);

    sa = esa->sa;
70    lcp = esa->lcp;
    globalSa = sa;
    sa[n] = -1;
    lcp[n] = 0;
    lpf[n] = 0;
75    stackInit(1);
    stackPush(0);

    for(i=1; i<=n; i++){
        while(!stackEmpty() &&
80            (sa[i] < sa[stackTop()] ||
              (sa[i] > sa[stackTop()] && lcp[i] <= lcp[stackTop()]))) {
            if(sa[i] < sa[stackTop()]){
                lpf[sa[stackTop()]] = maximum(lcp[stackTop()], lcp[i]);
                lcp[i] = minimum(lcp[stackTop()], lcp[i]);
85            }else
                lpf[sa[stackTop()]] = lcp[stackTop()];
            stackPop();
        }
        if(i < n)
90            stackPush(i);
    }
    freeStack();

    return lpf;
95 }

void freeLempelZivFact(LempelZivFact *lzf){
    free(lzf->lz);
    free(globalLpf);
100    if(globalLcp)

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    free(globalLcp);
    free(lzf);
}

105 LempelZivFact *computeLempelZivFact(Esa *esa){
    long i, n, *lpf;
    LempelZivFact *lzf;

    globalSa = esa->sa;
110    globalLcp = esa->lcp;

    n = esa->n;

    lpf = computeLpf(esa);
115    globalLpf = lpf;
    lzf = (LempelZivFact *)emalloc(sizeof(LempelZivFact));
    lzf->lz = (long *)emalloc(n*sizeof(long));
    lzf->lz[0] = 0;
    i = 0;
120    while(lzf->lz[i] < n){
        lzf->lz[i+1] = lzf->lz[i] + maximum(1,lpf[lzf->lz[i]]);
        i++;
    }
    lzf->n = i;

125    return lzf;
}

void printLzDecomp(LempelZivFact *lzf, Args *args){
130    int i, j;

    globalLcp[0] = -1; /* follow convention used in my lectures */

    if(args->t){
135        if(args->l){
            printf("\begin{center}\n\begin{tabular}{rcrrrl}\\hline\\hline\n");
            printf("$i$&$w[i]$&$sa[i]$&$lcp[i]$&$isa[i]$&$lpf[i]$&$suf[i]$\\hline\n");
        }else
            printf("i\tw[i]\tsa[i]\tlcp[i]\tisa[i]\tlpf[i]\tsuf[i]\n");
140        for(i=0;i<lzf->strLen-1;i++){
            if(args->l){
                if(args->o)
                    printf("%d&%ld&%ld&%ld&%ld&%ld&%ld\\mathtt{"
                        ,i+1,lzf->str[i],globalSa[i]+1,globalLcp[i],globalIsa[i]+1,
                            globalLpf[i]);
                else
145                    printf("%d&%ld&%ld&%ld&%ld&%ld&%ld\\mathtt{"
                        ,i,lzf->str[i],globalSa[i],globalLcp[i],globalIsa[i],globalLpf
                            [i]);
            }else{
                if(args->o)
                    printf("%d\t%c\t%ld\t%ld\t%ld\t%ld\t",i+1,lzf->str[i],globalSa[i]

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        ]+1,globalLcp[i],globalIsa[i]+1,globalLpf[i]);
    else
150     printf("%d\t%c\t%ld\t%ld\t%ld\t%ld\t",i,lzf->str[i],globalSa[i],
        globalLcp[i],globalIsa[i],globalLpf[i]);
    }
    for(j=globalSa[i];j<lzf->strLen-1;j++)
        printf("%c",lzf->str[j]);
    if(args->l)
155     printf("}$\\\\");
    printf("\\n");
    }
    if(args->l)
        printf("\\\\hline\\\\hline\\\\end{tabular}\\\\n\\\\end{center}\\\\n");
160 }
j = 0;
if(args->l)
    printf("\\[\\\\n");
for(i=0;i<lzf->n-1;i++){
165     if(args->l)
        printf("\\mathtt{");
        for(j=lzf->lz[i];j<lzf->lz[i+1];j++)
            printf("%c",lzf->str[j]);
        if(args->l)
170         printf("}");
        if(args->l)
            printf("\\cdot");
        else
            printf(".");
175 }
if(args->l)
    printf("\\mathtt{");
for(j=lzf->lz[i];j<lzf->strLen-1;j++)
    printf("%c",lzf->str[j]);
180 if(args->l)
    printf("}\\\\n\\\\]\\\\n");
else
    printf("\\n");
}

```

## 4 Change Log

- Version 0.1 (November 25, 2015)
  - First version that works.
- Version 0.2 (April 13, 2017)
  - Output factors per site.
- Version 0.3 (February 13, 2018)
  - Allow one-based counting (–o).
- Version 0.4 (November 6, 2018)
  - Fixed bug in `interface.c`.
- Version 0.5 (November 17, 2018)

- First entry in lcp-array is now  $-1$  rather than  $0$ .
- Version 0.6 (July 4, 2019)
  - When printing the match length decomposition, the variable `globalLcp` was not initialized, which lead to a core dump. Fixed.

## References

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