

# XBWTing Readsets

*Taking advantage of read alignment to obtain better compression*

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**Compresses** and **indexes** the input.

Applied in short read aligners such as **Bowtie** and **BWA**.

Recently improved to support in  $O(r)$  space, with **r the number of runs in the BWT** :

- **count(P)**: counting the occ. of a pattern P in  $O(|P|)$  time.
- **locate(P)**: locate the occ. Of P in  $O(|P|+occ)$  time.

[Gagie, Navarro, and Prezza., Fully functional suffix trees and optimal text searching in bwt-runs bounded space]

**Example:**

$S = \text{GATTAGATACAT\$}$

$\text{BWT}(S) = \text{TTTCGGAA\$AATA} \Rightarrow 8 \text{ runs.}$

	<i>F</i>	<i>L</i>
0	\$GATTAGATACAT	
1	ACAT\$GATTAGAT	
2	AGATACAT\$GATT	
3	AT\$GATTAGATAC	
4	ATACAT\$GATTAG	
5	ATTAGATACAT\$G	
6	CAT\$GATTAGATA	
7	GATACAT\$GATTA	
8	GATTAGATACAT\$	
9	T\$GATTAGATACA	
10	TACAT\$GATTAGA	
11	TAGATACAT\$GAT	
12	TTAGATACAT\$GA	

Can we have the **same number of runs** for reads extracted from S ?

Concatenate the reads with a separator “\$” and build the FM-index of the entire string.

### **Example:**

$S = \text{GATTA\$TTAGA\$TAGATA\$GATAC\$ATACAT\$}$

$\text{BWT}(S) = \text{CATAATGTTTTTCGG\$GAAAA\$AATAAT\$A\$} \Rightarrow 20 \text{ runs.}$

### **Issues:**

- Computing the BWT for such a long string is challenging (and the context before the dollars is not relevant).
- The \$ break some runs as in CGG\$G in the example.

**Extended BWT:** Permute the characters in the strings into the lexicographic order of the suffixes that immediately follow them, considering each string to be cyclic.

**Example:**

$S = \{GATTA\$, TTAGA\$, TAGATA\$, GATAC\$, ATACAT\}$

$EBWT(S) = TCAAATTGTTTTTCGG\$GAAAA\$\$ATAAAT\$A\$ \Rightarrow 19$  runs.

Easier to build and update than the naive approach.

**Issues:**

- Still has more than double the number of run than  $BWT(GATTAGATACAT)$ .

**RLO:** Reorganizing the reads in reversed lexicographic order (co-lexicographic order)

**Example:**

$\text{RLO}(S) = \{\text{GATTA\$}, \text{TTAGA\$}, \text{TAGATA\$}, \text{GATAC\$}, \text{ATACAT\$}\}$

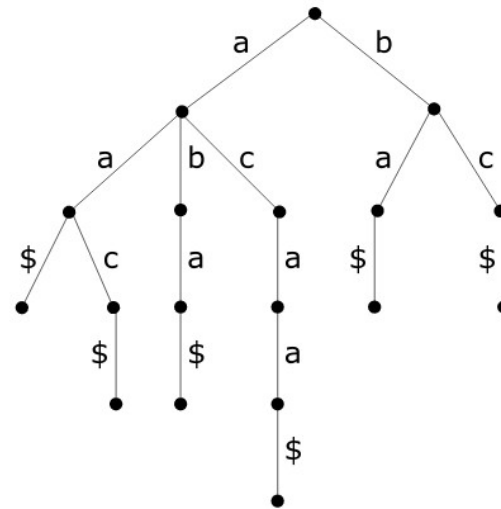
$\text{EBWT}(\text{RLO}(S)) = \text{AAACTGTTTTTTCGG\$GAAAA\$AATAAT\$A\$} \Rightarrow 19 \text{ runs}$

**SPRING:** attempts to reorder reads according to their position in the genome.

$\text{EBWT}(\text{SPRING}(S)) = \text{ACATATTGTTTTTCGG\$GAAAA\$ATAAAT\$A\$} \Rightarrow 22 \text{ runs}$

**eXtended BWT:** Generalization of the BWT for labeled trees where the characters get sorted according to the label of their outgoing node.

Can also be seen as a sub-case of a Wheeler graph.



Last	<i>L</i>	$\Pi$
0	a	$\epsilon$
1	b	
0	a	a
0	b	
1	c	
0	\$	aa
1	c	
1	\$	aaca
1	\$	ab
1	\$	aba
1	a	aca
0	a	b
1	c	
1	a	ba
1	a	ca
1	\$	caa
1	\$	cb

Figure: XBWT Tricks, *Giovanni Manzini*

# Our approach

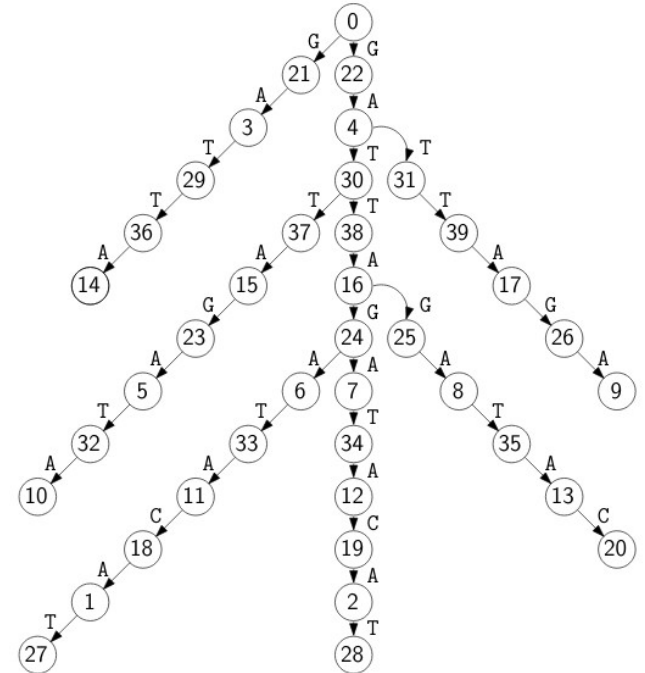
# Example

If the reads correspond to a known assembled genome, use the genome as additional context for better compression.

**Example:**      TTAGA  
                  TAGATA  
                  GATTAGATACAT  
                  GATTA ATACAT  
                  GATAC



T =



$\text{XBWT}(T) = \text{GGTTTTTTTTTCCCGGGGAAAAAAAAAATTTTAAAAAAAA} \Rightarrow 7 \text{ runs.}$

If we create such a tree, where the **reads are errorlessly sampled and aligned to the reference**, then the XBWT of the tree has the **same number of runs** as the BWT of the reverse of the reference.



If we create a labeled tree  $T$  as explained, let:  
 $r$  be the number of runs in the XBWT,  
 $t$  be the number of reads,  
Then in  $O(r+t)$  words of space,  
We can compute  $\text{Locate}(P)$  in  $O((|P|+\text{occ})\log \log n)$

**In reality** the reads we have to index are **not perfectly matching** the assembled genome.  
**How does this approach to compression work in practice ?**

## **Scan**

- Scan: Slide a window, compute the KR-fingerprint of the window, cutting the text into prefix free phrases
- Scan the reference creating a parse and a dictionary
- For each read, extend the read, parse the extended read

## **XBWT of the parse**

- Doubling algorithm to determine the XBWT of the parse

## **Final XBWT**

- SA and LCP of all suffixes of the words in the dictionary
- For each suffix, add the correct character depending on the cases

**Only on the number of runs for now.**

We compared to:

- **EBWT** (using the ropebwt2 implementation), with and without \$.
- **SPRING + EBWT**, with and without \$.
- **RLO + EBWT**, with and without \$.

**EBWT > SPRING + EBWT > RLO + EBWT**

So in the graphs we focus on RLO+EBWT.

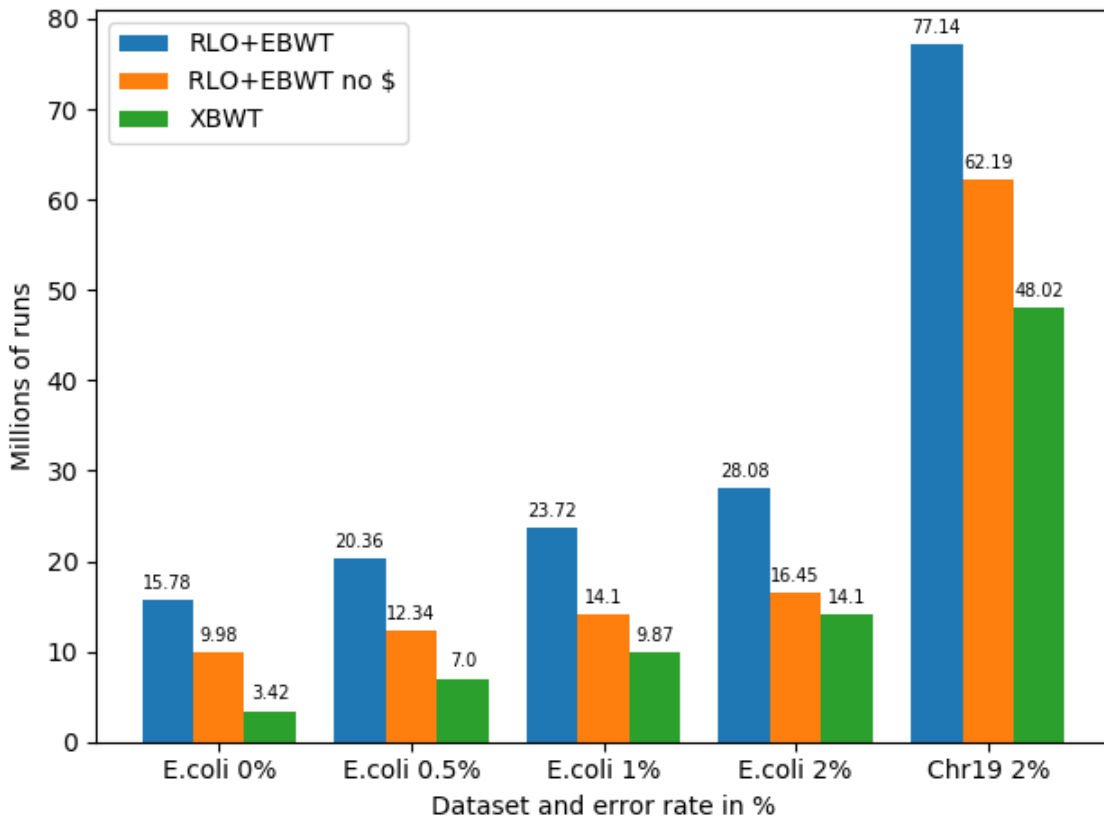
On the following **datasets**:

- **synthetic**: generated reads with controllable error rates
- **Real world**: only reads matched to the genome, not the reverse complement
  - **E.coli**: from the single cell dataset
  - **Staphylococcus aureus**: from the single cell dataset
  - **Hydrophilia**: from the Gage-b dataset

## Synthetic data

Generated by wgsim:

- Error rate from 0 to 2%
- 20 Millions reads of length 100 bp
- 15% of polymorphisms are INDELS with their lengths drawn from a geometric distribution
- The XBWT is always more compact, even for 2%  $\gg$  0.1%.

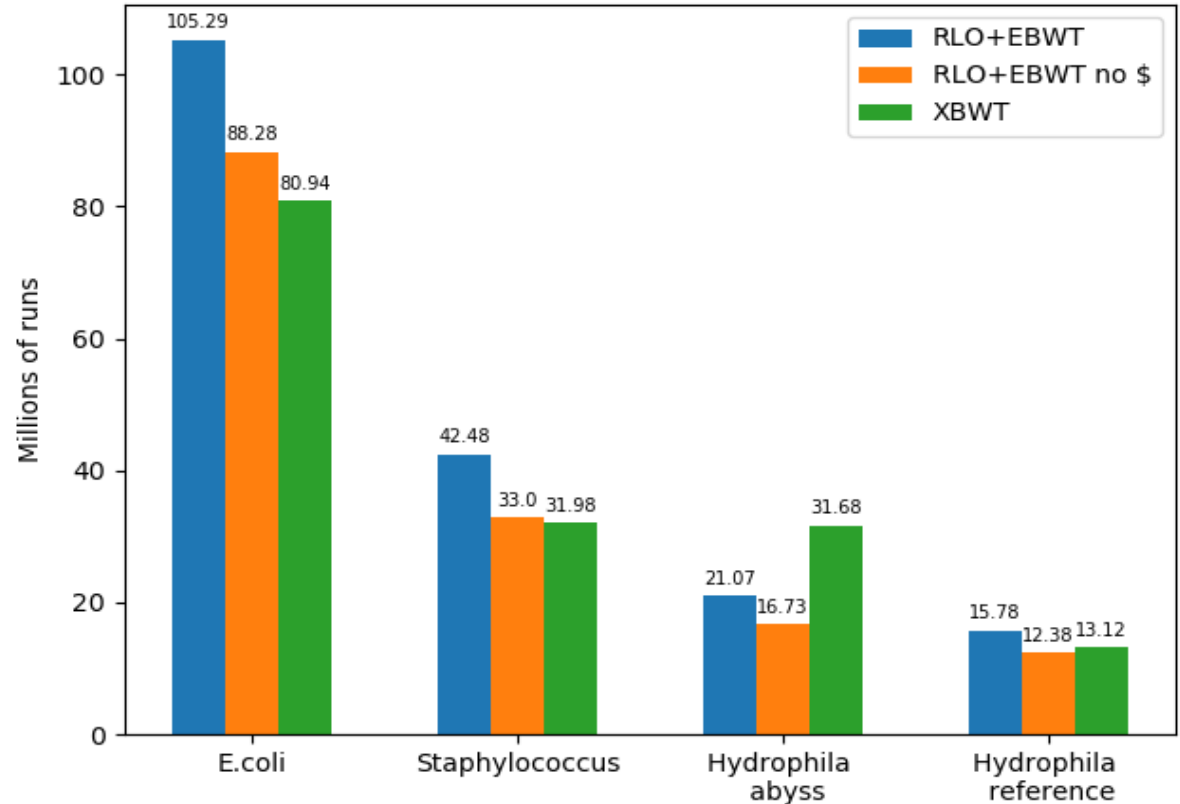


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# Experimental results

## Real data

- Good or similar for E.coli and Staphylococcus.
- Surprising result for hydrophila?
- For E. coli readset, RLO+EBWT without \$ has 16% less runs than with \$ and the XBWT 8.3% less run than RLO+EBWT no \$.



## *To do:*

- Evaluation on the human Genome
- FM-index, implementation and time analysis
- Time comparison of PFP construction of the XBWT compared to other construction  
[BWT-tunneling by Uwe Baier, Wheeler sort by Jarno Alanko]

# Future work

# Hybrid index improvement?

a)  $r$ : TAGCGTAGCAGCTATGAGGAGG-ACCGAGTT  
 $s^1$ : TAGCGTAGCAGC---GAGGAGCGACCGAGTT  
 $s^2$ : TAGCGTGGCAGC---GAGGAGC-ACCGAGTT  
 $s^3$ : TAGCGTGGCAGCTATGAGGAGC-ACCGAGTT

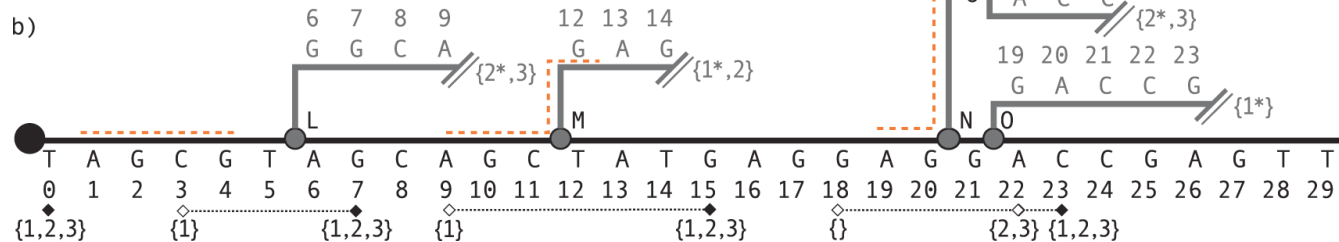


Figure: René Rahn,  
David Weese, and  
Knut Reinert  
Journaled string tree

Storing the XBWT of a JST could be more efficient than storing the BWT of a string kernel.



# Thank you for your attention !

## Take away message:

- For compression removing the dollars is important.
- Taking advantage of the genome for additional context brings a better compression!

## Questions ?

**Pre-publication:** <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1809.07320.pdf>

