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# On the approximation ratio of LZ-End to LZ77

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# LZ77 vs LZ-End

LZ77 [Ziv and Lempel, 1977] is the smallest greedy parsing allowing for left-to-right (de)compression.

LZ-End [Kreft and Navarro, 2013] is an LZ77-like parsing allowing for fast substring extraction, but the number of its phrases is larger than that of LZ77.



**Theorem:** [**This work**]

There exist **binary** strings  $S$  such that:

$$\frac{z_{\text{End}}(S)}{z_{77}(S)} \rightarrow 2 \quad (|S| \rightarrow \infty).$$

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$$z_{\text{End}}(T) = 8$$

The number of the LZ-End phrases of  $T$

# The ratio $z_{\text{End}} / z_{77}$

It is known that  $z_{\text{End}}(T) \geq z_{77}(T)$  for any string  $T$ .

Then how much is the gap between them?

To analyze this, we consider the ratio  $z_{\text{End}} / z_{77}$ .

E.g.)

$$z_{77}(T) = 6$$

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In this case,

$$\frac{z_{\text{End}}(T)}{z_{77}(T)} = \frac{8}{6} = 1.333 \dots$$

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# Main result

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**Theorem 2:** [**This work**]

There exist strings  $S$  of alphabet size  $\sigma = \mathbf{2}$  such that:

$$\frac{z_{\text{End}}(S)}{z_{77}(S)} \rightarrow 2 \quad (|S| \rightarrow \infty).$$

The string  $S$  in Theorem 2 is the **period-doubling sequence**.

# Period-doubling sequence [Boston, 1980]

## Definition:

The  $k$ -th period-doubling sequence  $S_k$  over  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$  is defined as follows:

- $S_0 = a$
- $S_k = S_{k-1} \cdot S_{k-1}[1, n_{k-1}-1] \cdot \bar{c} \quad (k \geq 1)$

$n_{k-1}$  is the length of  $S_{k-1}$ , that is  $n_{k-1} = |S_{k-1}|$ .

$c$  is the last character of  $S_{k-1}$ , that is  $c = S_{k-1}[n_{k-1}]$ .

$\bar{c}$  is bit-flipped character of  $c$ .

Intuition:

Copy the first half and flip the last character.

# Period-doubling sequence [Boston, 1980]

$$S_0 = a$$

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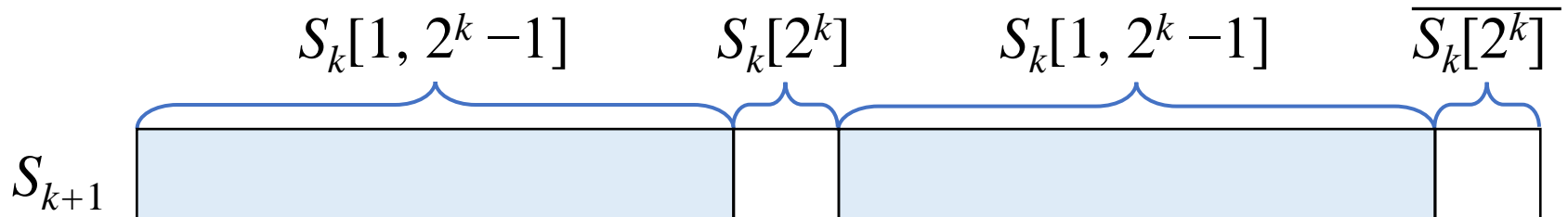
$$S_1 = a b$$

$$S_2 = a b a a$$

$$S_3 = a b a a a b a b$$

$$S_4 = \underline{a b a a a b a} \underline{b} \underline{a b a a a b a} \underline{a}$$

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# LZ77 of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

LZ77 Phrase =

Non-overlapping  
longest previous  
occurrence

+

Single  
character

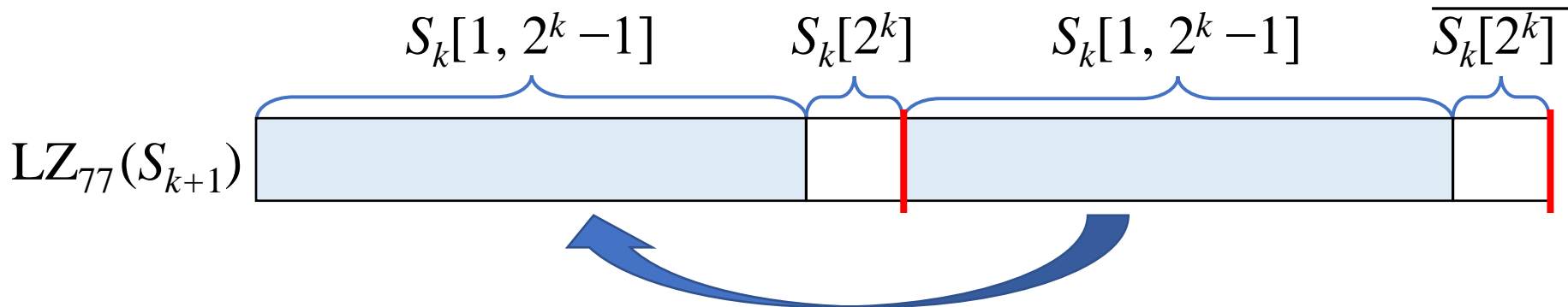
$$\text{LZ}_{77}(S_1) = a|b|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{77}(S_2) = a|b|a|a|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{77}(S_3) = a|b|a|a|ab|ab|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{77}(S_4) = a|b|a|a|ab|ab|ab|aa|ba|aa|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{77}(S_5) = a|b|a|a|ab|ab|ab|aa|ba|aa|ab|aa|ab|ab|ab|aa|ab|ab|$$



From definition of period-doubling sequence and LZ77,  
 $z_{77}(S_k) = k + 1$ .

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_1) = a|b|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_2) = a|b|a|a|$$

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$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_4) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|b|a|a|$$

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First occurrence

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$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_5) = \text{a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|b|a|a|b|a|a|b|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|b|a|b|}$$

Ends with  
the 1st phrase

The longest prefix of  
the suffix at position 3



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Ends with  
the 2nd phrase

The longest prefix of  
the suffix at position 5

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_1) = a|b|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_2) = a|b|a|a|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_3) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|$$

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Ends with  
the 4th phrase

The longest prefix of  
the suffix at position 8

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$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_1) = a|b|$$

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Ends with  
the 4th phrase

The longest prefix of  
the suffix at position 11

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_1) = a|b|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_2) = a|b|a|a|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_3) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|$$

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Ends with  
the 5th phrase

The longest prefix of  
the suffix at position 17

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_1) = a|b|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_2) = a|b|a|a|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_3) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_4) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|b|a|a|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_5) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|a|a|a|b|a|b|$$

Ends with  
the 4th phrase

The longest prefix of  
the suffix at position 28

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

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$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_2) = a|b|a|a|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_3) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|$$

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$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_5) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|$$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_6) = a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|a|b|a|b|a|a|a|a| \dots$$

The last phrase of  $\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_k)$  is not always  $\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_{k+1})$  phrase.

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

$$\text{LZ}_{\text{End}}(S_1) = a|b|$$

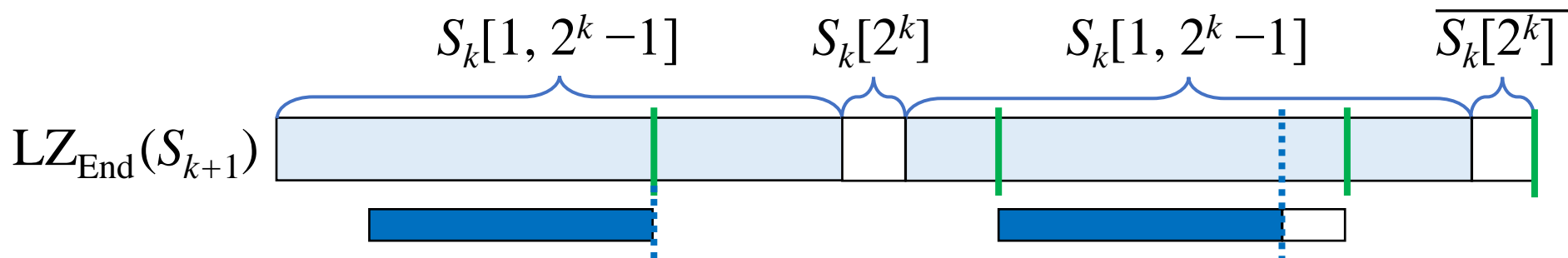
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From definition of period-doubling sequence and LZ-End,

$$z_{\text{End}}(S_k) = 2k - O(\log^* k).$$

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

## Observation 1:

$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_4)$

ab|aa|abab|ab|aaabaa|

$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_5)$

ab|aa|abab|ab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabab|

$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_6)$

ab|aa|abab|ab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabababaa|abababaaabaaababababaa|abaa|



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$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_5)$

ab|aa|ab|ab|ab|aa|baa|aba|aab|ab|aba|aa|bab|

$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_6)$

ab|aa|ab|ab|ab|aa|baa|aba|aab|ab|aba|aa|bab|aba|aa|aba|baa|aba|aab|ab|aba|aa|aa|baa|

# LZ-End of period-doubling sequences $S_k$

## Observation 1:

$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_4)$

ab|aa|ab|ab|ab|aa|baa  
6

$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_5)$

ab|aa|ab|ab|ab|aa|baa|aba|aa|ba|ba|ba|aa|bab  
5

$LZ_{\text{End}}(S_6)$

ab|aa|ab|ab|ab|aa|baa|aba|aa|ba|ba|ba|aa|ab|ab|aba|aa|baa|aba|aa|ba|ba|ba|aa|ab|aa  
4

The length of the last LZ-End phrase decreases by **1** until the length of the last phrase becomes **1**.

# Increase of LZ-End phrases

## Observation 2:

$S_4$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|  
LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|

$S_5$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|abaaabababaaabab|  
LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabab|

$S_6$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|abaaabababaaabab|abaaabababaaabaaababababaaabaa|  
LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabababaa|abababaaabaaababababaa|abaa|

# Increase of LZ-End phrases

## Observation 2:

$$S_4 \quad z_{77}(S_4) = 5, z_{\text{End}}(S_4) = 6$$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|

LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|

$$S_5 \quad z_{77}(S_5) = 6, z_{\text{End}}(S_5) = 8$$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|abaaabababaaabab|

LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabab|

$$S_6 \quad z_{77}(S_6) = 7, z_{\text{End}}(S_6) = 10$$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|abaaabababaaabab|abaaabababaaabaaababababaaabaa|

LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabababaa|abababaaabaaababababaa|abaa|

# Increase of LZ-End phrases

## Observation 2:

Increasing number of phrases:

- LZ77: **1** (for any  $k$ )
- LZ-End: **2** (for almost all  $k$ )

$S_4$   $z_{77}(S_4) = 5, z_{\text{End}}(S_4) = 6$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|

LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|

$S_5$   $z_{77}(S_5) = 6, z_{\text{End}}(S_5) = 8$

LZ77: a|b|aa|abab|abaaabaa|abaaabababaaabab|

LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabab|

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LZ-End: a|b|aa|aba|bab|aaabaa|abaaabababa|aabababaa|abababaaabaaabaaabababaa|abaa|

LZ77: + **1**

LZ-End: + **2**

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# Table of LZ77 and LZ-End phrases

$$z_{\text{End}}(S_k) - z_{\text{End}}(S_{k-1})$$

$k$	$z_{\text{End}}$	$z_{77}$	$z_{\text{End}} / z_{77}$	Length of the last LZ-End phrase	$z_{\text{End}}$ diff
...	...	...	...	...	...
6	10	7	1.428...	4	2
7	12	8	1.5	3	2
8	14	9	1.555...	2	2
9	16	10	1.6	1	2
10	17	11	1.545...	384	1
11	19	12	1.583...	383	2
...	...	...	...	...	...
393	783	394	1.987...	1	2
394	784	395	1.984...	$3 \cdot 2^{391}$	1
395	786	396	1.984...	$3 \cdot 2^{391} - 1$	2
...	...	...	...	...	...
$3 \cdot 2^{391} + 394$	...	...	1.999...	$3 \cdot 2^{(3 \cdot 2^{391} + 391)}$	1

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7	17	12	1.416...	5	2
8	14	10	1.4	4	2
9	11	8	1.375	3	2
10	1	1	1	1	1
11	19	12	1.583...	383	2
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## Lemma 1:

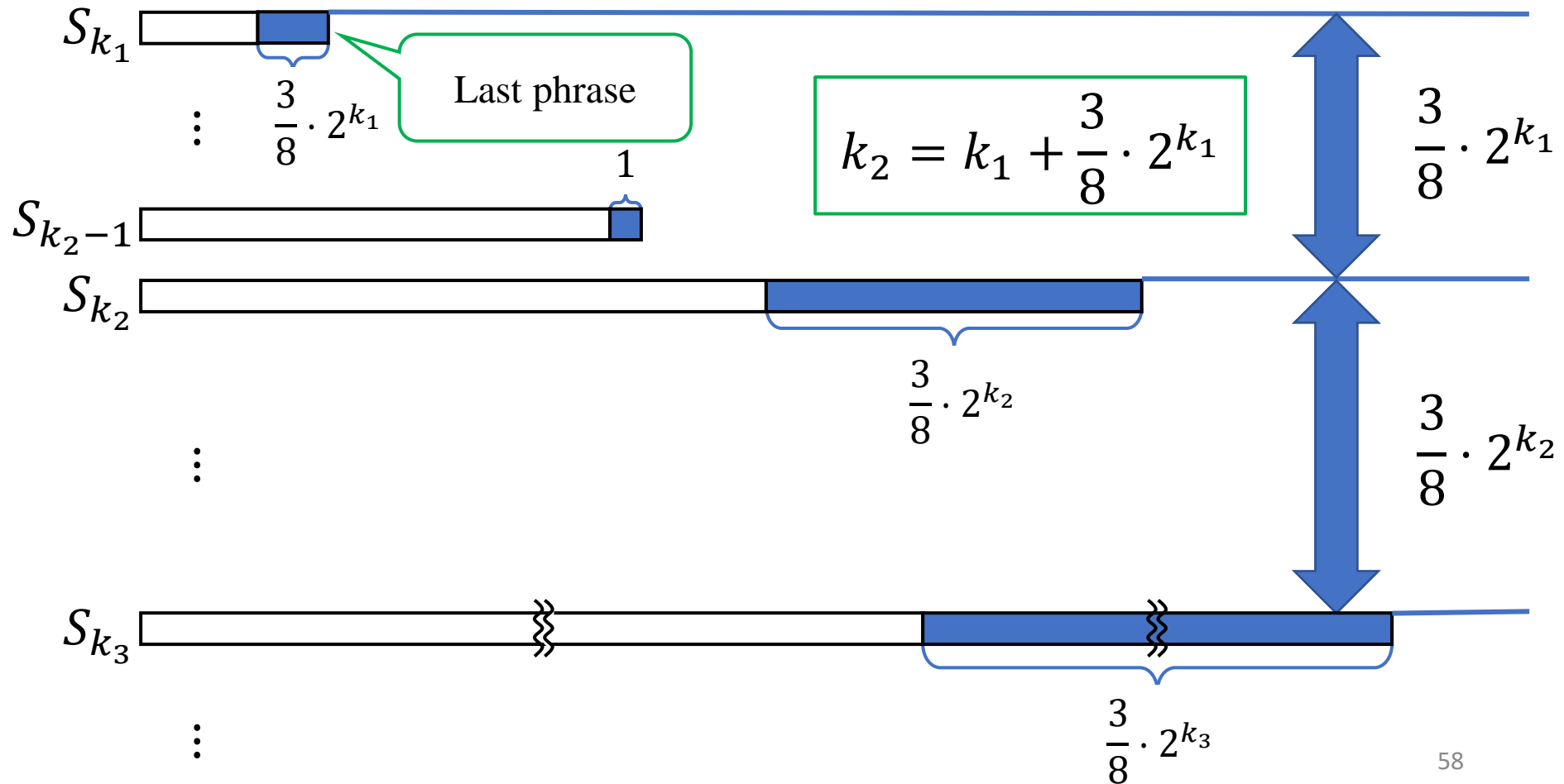
The number of **1**'s is  $O(\log^* k)$ .  
 Thus,  $z_{\text{End}}(S_k) = 2k - O(\log^* k)$ .

# Why $O(\log^* k)$ ?

$$k_m = O\left(2^{2^{\dots 2^k}}\right) \Leftrightarrow m = O(\log^* k)$$

## Lemma 2:

The maximal length of the last LZ-End phrase is  $\frac{3}{8} \cdot 2^k$ .



# The ratio $z_{\text{End}} / z_{77}$

We obtain the following result.

$$z_{77}(S_k) = k + 1$$

$$z_{\text{End}}(S_k) = 2k - O(\log^* k)$$



$$\frac{z_{\text{End}}(S_k)}{z_{77}(S_k)} = \frac{2k - O(\log^* k)}{k + 1} \rightarrow 2 \quad (k \rightarrow \infty).$$

## Theorem 2:

Period-doubling sequence

There exist strings  $S$  of alphabet size  $\sigma = \mathbf{2}$  such that:

$$\frac{z_{\text{End}}(S)}{z_{77}(S)} \rightarrow 2 \quad (|S| \rightarrow \infty).$$

# Summary and future work

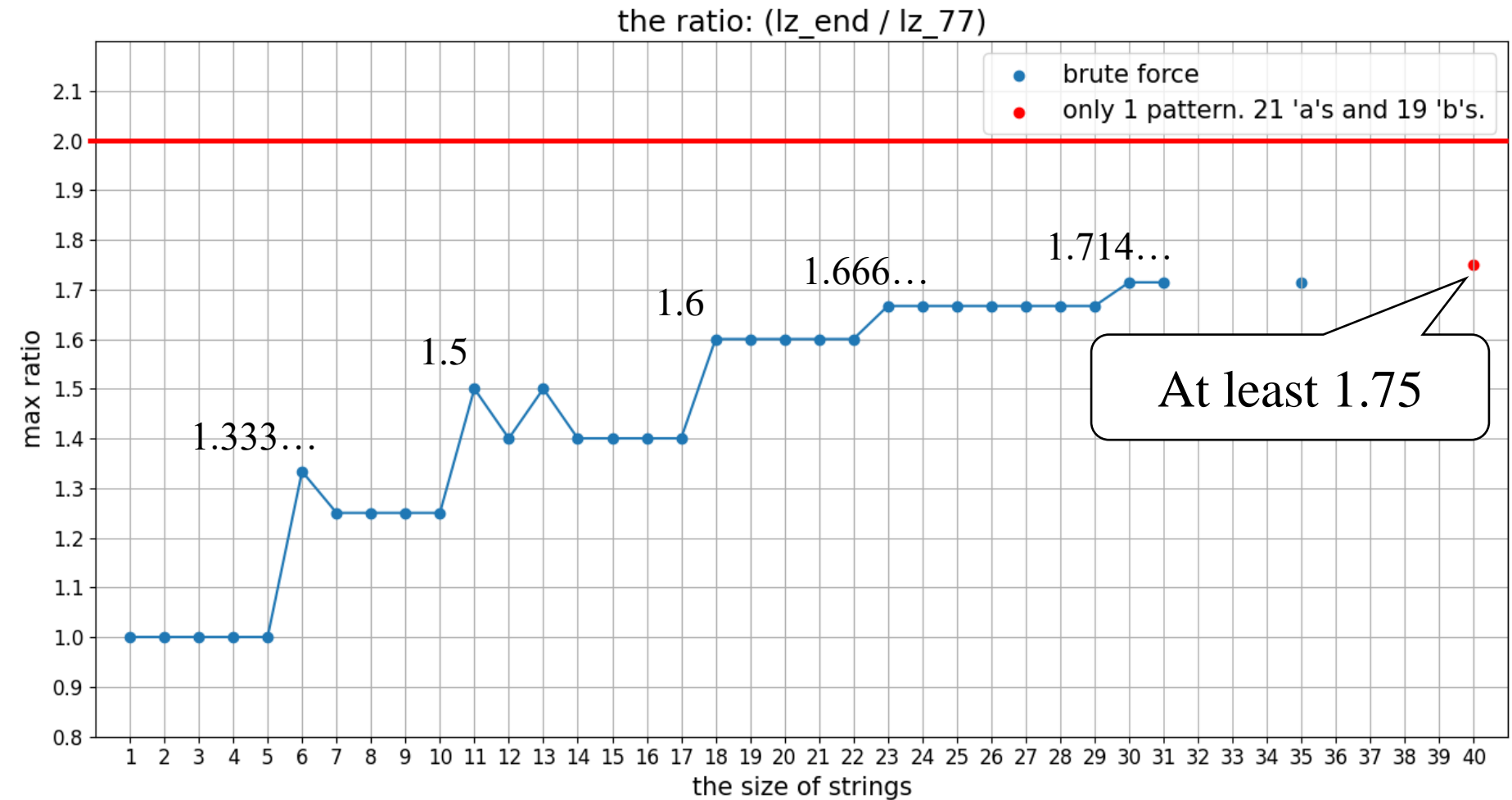
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**Conjecture:** [Kreft and Navarro, 2013]

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# Preliminary experimental result



The ratio seems to asymptotically approach 2.

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## Future work:

- Prove or disprove the conjecture for upper bound.

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