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- [3] D. Adjeroh; A. Mukherjee, T. Bell, M. Powell and N. Zhang, "Pattern matching in BWT-transformed text," in Proc. Data Compression Conference, 2-4 Apr. 2002, p. 445.
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