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Exercise 1 [10 points]. You are given K sequences of integers, having total length N, sorted in increasing order and stored on disk in K files. You have to design an I/O-efficient algorithm that finds the integers common to all K sequences, by assuming that the internal memory size M is able to contain (K+1)*B integers (hence, K+1 disk pages).

Evaluate also the I/O-complexity of the proposed solution.

Exercise 2 [8 points]. Given a sequence S, let us define the *rank* of an item its *position* in the sorted S. Design a randomized algorithm that, given in input an integer k, finds in O(|S|) expected time the item of S having rank k.

Exercise 3 [4+6+3 points].

- Describe how it works the LZ-parsing of a string S
- Explain how the suffix tree data structure can be used to efficiently compute the LZ-parsing of S.
- Illustrate the generic step of the algorithm of the previous item on the example: "ababc" has been already LZ-parsed and the suffix remained to be parsed is "abababd". Execute **one-single step** via suffix tree.