



Algorithms Theory

15 – Text search (3)

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Text search



Various scenarios:

Dynamic texts

- Text editors
- Symbol manipulators

Static texts

- Literature databases
- Library systems
- Gene databases
- World Wide Web

Text search



Data type **string**:

- array of character
- file of character
- list of character

Operations (let *T*, *P* be of type **string**) **length**: length () *i*-th character : *T*[i] **concatenation**: cat (*T*, *P*) *T*.*P*

Problem definition



Given:

text
$$t_1 t_2 \dots t_n \in \Sigma^n$$

pattern $p_1 p_2 \dots p_m \in \Sigma^m$

Goal:

Find one or all occurrences of the pattern in the text, i.e. positions $i (0 \le i \le n - m)$ such that

$$p_{1} = t_{i+1}$$

$$p_{2} = t_{i+2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$p_{m} = t_{i+m}$$



Problem definition



Running time:

- 1. # possible alignments: n m + 1, # pattern positions: $m \rightarrow O(n m)$
- 2. At least 1 comparison per *m* consecutive text positions: $\rightarrow \Omega (m + n/m)$



For each possible position $0 \le i \le n - m$, check at most *m* character pairs. Whenever a mismatch occurs, shift to the next position.

```
textsearchbf := proc (T :: string, P :: string)
# Input: text T, pattern P
# Output: list L of positions i, at which P occurs in T
n := length (T); m := length (P);
L := [];
for i from 0 to n - m do
j := 1;
while j \le m and T[i + j] = P[j]
do j := j + 1 od;
if j = m + 1 then L := [L[], i] fi;
od;
RETURN (L)
end;
```

Naive method



Running time:

Worst case: $\Omega(m n)$

In practice, a mismatch usually occurs very early.

 \rightarrow running time ~ *c n*



Let t_i and p_{j+1} be the characters to be compared:



If, for a certain alignment, the first mismatch occurs for characters t_i and p_{j+1} , then:

- the last *j* characters compared in *T* equal the first *j* characters of *P*
- $t_i \neq p_{j+1}$



Idea:

Find j' = next[j] < j such that t_j can then be compared to $p_{j'+1}$.

Find greatest j' < j such that $P_{1...j'} = P_{j-j'+1...j}$.

Find the longest prefix of *P* that is a proper suffix of $P_{1 \dots j}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} t_1 & t_2 & \dots & & t_i & \dots \\ & = = = & = & \neq \\ \hline p_1 & \dots & p_j & p_{j+1} & \dots & p_m \end{bmatrix}$$



Example for determining *next* [*j*]:



next [*j*] = length of the longest prefix of *P* that is a proper suffix of $P_{1...j}$



 \Rightarrow for *P* = 0101101011, *next* = [0,0,1,2,0,1,2,3,4,5]:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
		0							
		0	1						
					0				
					0	1			
					0	1	0		
					0	1	0	1	
					0	1	0	1	1



The Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm (KMP)

```
KMP := proc (T : : string, P : : string)
# Input: text T, pattern P
# Output: list L of positions i at which P occurs in T
   n := \text{length}(T); m := \text{length}(P);
   L := []; next := KMPnext(P);
   i := 0;
   for i from 1 to n do
        while j > 0 and T[i] <> P[j+1] do j := next[j] od;
        if T[i] = P[j+1] then j := j+1 fi;
        if j = m then L := [L[], i-m];
                      j := next[j]
        fi;
    od;
    RETURN (L);
end;
```



```
Pattern: abrakadabra, next = [0,0,0,1,0,1,0,1,2,3,4]
```

```
abrakadabrabrababrak...

| | | | | | | | | | | |

abrakadabra

next[11] = 4

abrakadabrabrababrak...

- - - - \frac{1}{4}

abrak

next[4] = 1
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```
abrakadabrabrababrak...
             - | | /
             abrak
             next[4] = 1
abrakadabrabrababrak...
                 - | /
                 abrak
                 next[2] = 0
abrakadabrabrababrak...
                    abrak
```



The Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm (KMP)

Correctness:

When starting the for-loop:

$$P_{1...j} = T_{i-j...i-1}$$
 and $j \neq m$

if j = 0: we are located at the first character of *P* **if** $j \neq 0$: *P* can be shifted while j > 0 and $t_j \neq p_{j+1}$



If T[i] = P[j+1], j and i can be increased (at the end of the loop).

If *P* has been compared completely (j = m), an occurrence of *P* in *T* has been found and we can shift to the next position.



Running time:

- the text pointer *i* is never reset
- text pointer *i* and pattern pointer *j* are always incremented together
- always: next [j] < j;
 j can be decreased only as many times as it has been increased

If the *next*-array is known, the KMP algorithm runs in O(n) time.

Computation of the next-array



next [i] = length of the longest prefix of *P* that is a proper suffix of $P_{1..._{i}}$

next [1] = 0 Let *next* [*i*-1] = *j* :





Consider two cases:

1) $p_i = p_{j+1} \rightarrow next[i] = j + 1$

2) $p_i \neq p_{j+1} \rightarrow \text{replace } j \text{ by } next[j] \text{ until } p_i = p_{j+1} \text{ or } j = 0$ If $p_i = p_{j+1}$, set next[i] = j + 1, otherwise next[i] = 0.



Computation of the next-array

```
KMPnext := proc (P : : string)
# Input: pattern P
# Output: next-array for P
   m := \text{length}(P);
   next := array (1...m);
   next [1] := 0;
   j := 0;
   for i from 2 to m do
      while j > 0 and P[i] <> P[j+1]
         do j := next [ j ] od;
      if P[i] = P[j+1] then j := j+1 fi;
      next [ i ] := j
   od;
   RETURN (next);
end;
```





The KMP algorithmus runs in O(n + m) time.

Can text search be realized even faster?



Idea: For any alignment of the pattern with the text, scan the characters from right to left rather than from left to right.

Example:

```
he said abrakadabra but

but

he said abrakadabra but

but
```



```
he said abrakadabra but
        X
      but
he said abrakadabra but
            X
          but
he said abrakadabra but
               X
             but
```



The Boyer-Moore algorithm (BM)

said abrakadabra he but 1 but he said abrakadabra but 1 but said abrakadabra he but 1 Large jumps: but few comparisons he said abrakadabra but Desired running time: O(m + n/m)but



For $c \in \Sigma$ and the pattern *P* let

 δ [c] := index of the right-most occurrence of c in P

$$= \max \{j \mid p_j = c\}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } c \notin P \\ j & \text{if } c = p_j \text{ and } c \neq p_k \text{ for } j < k \le m \end{cases}$$

What is the cost for computing all δ -values? Let $|\Sigma| = l$:



Let

c = the character causing the mismatch

j = the index of the current character in the pattern ($c \neq p_j$)



Computation of the pattern shift

Case 1 *c* does not occur in *P* ($\delta[c] = 0$) Shift the pattern *j* characters to the right.



 $\Delta[i] = j$



Case 2 *c* occurs in the pattern $(\delta[c] \neq 0)$

Shift the pattern to the right until the rightmost *c* in the pattern is aligned with a potential *c* in the text.





Case 2 a: δ[*c*] > *j*



Shift the rightmost *c* in the pattern to a potential *c* in the text.

$$\Rightarrow$$
 shift by $\Delta[i] = m - \delta[c] + 1$



Case 2 b: δ[*c*] < *j*



Shift the rightmost *c* in the pattern to *c* in the text.

 \Rightarrow shift by $\Delta[i] = j - \delta[c]$



Algorithm BM-search1 **Input:** text *T*, pattern *P* **Output:** all positions of *P* in *T* 1 n := length(T); m := length(P)2 compute δ 3 i := 04 while $i \leq n - m$ do 5 j := mwhile j > 0 and P[j] = T[i+j] do 6 7 j := j - 1end while;



- **if** *j* = 0
- **then** output position *i*

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10 i := i + 1
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- **else if** $\delta[T[i + j]] > j$
- **then** $i := i + m + 1 \delta[T[i + j]]$
- **else** $i := i + j \delta[T[i + j]]$
- 14 end while;



Analysis:

Desired running time: O(m + n/m)Worst-case running time: $\Omega(n m)$



Use the information collected before a mismatches $p_i \neq t_{i+j}$ occurs.

gsf[j] = position of the end of the next occurrence of the suffix $<math>P_{j+1 \dots m}$ from the right that is not preceded by character P_j (good suffix function)

Possible shift: $\gamma[j] = m - gsf[j]$



 $gsf[j] = position of the end of the closest occurrence of the suffix <math>P_{j+1 \dots m}$ from the right that is not preceded by character P_j

pattern: banana

	inspected	forbidden	further	
gsf[j]	suffix	character	occurrence	position
gsf[5]	а	n	b <u>anana</u>	2
gsf[4]	na	а	* <u>**</u> ba <u>na</u> <u>na</u>	0
gsf[3]	ana	n	banana	4
gsf[2]	nana	а	ba <u>nana</u>	0
gsf[1]	anana	b	banana	0



 \Rightarrow gsf (banana) = [0,0,0,4,0,2]

abaababanananana ≠=== banana banana



Algorithm BM-search2

Input: text T, pattern P

Output: shift for all occurrences of *P* in *T*

1
$$n := \text{length}(T); m := \text{length}(P)$$

- 2 compute δ and γ
- 3 i := 0
- 4 while $i \le n m \operatorname{do}$

6 while j > 0 and P[j] = T[i+j] do

7 j := j - 1

end while;



```
8 if j = 0

9 then output position i

10 i := i + \gamma [0]

11 else i := i + \max(\gamma [j], j - \delta[T[i + j]])

12 end while;
```