

# CS 240 – Data Structures and Data Management

## Module 9: String Matching

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# Outline

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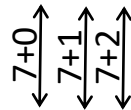
# Pattern Matching Definitions [1]

- Search for a string (pattern) in a large body of text
- $T[0 \dots n - 1]$  **text** (or **haystack**) being searched
- $P[0 \dots m - 1]$  **pattern** (or **needle**) being searched for
- Strings over **alphabet**  $\Sigma$
- Return the first occurrence of  $P$  in  $T$ , that is return smallest  $i$  such that

$$P[j] = T[i + j] \quad \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq m - 1$$

- Example

$T =$  Little piglets cooked for mother pig



$P =$  pig

$n = 36, m = 3, i = 7$

- If  $P$  does not occur in  $T$ , return FAIL
- Applications
  - information retrieval (text editors, search engines)
  - bioinformatics, data mining

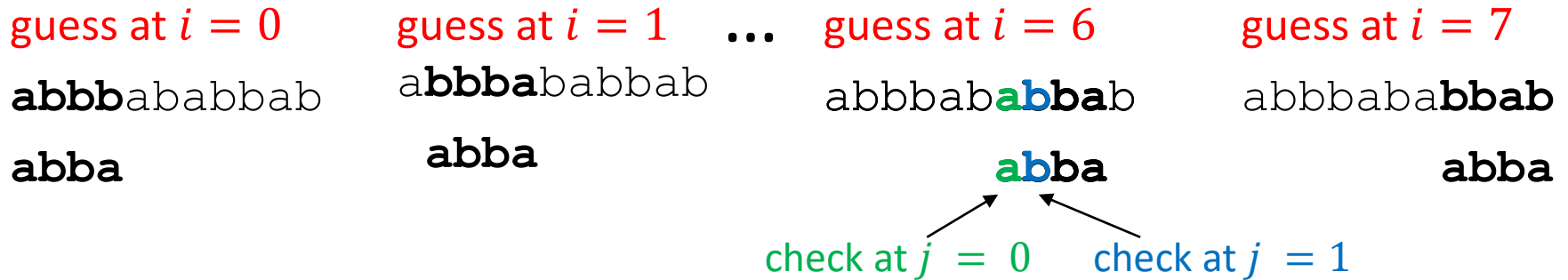
# More Definitions [2]

## antid**est**ablishmentarianism

- **Substring**  $T[i..j]$   $0 \leq i \leq j < n$  is a string consisting of characters  $T[i], T[i + 1], \dots, T[j]$ 
  - length is  $j - i + 1$
- **Prefix** of  $T$  is a substring  $T[0..i]$  of  $T$  for some  $0 \leq i < n$
- **Suffix** of  $T$  is a substring  $T[i..n - 1]$  of  $T$  for some  $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$



# General Idea of Algorithms



- Pattern matching algorithms consist of **guesses** and **checks**
  - a **guess** or **shift** is a position  $i$  such that  $P$  might start at  $T[i]$
  - valid guesses (initially) are  $0 \leq i \leq n - m$
  - a **check** of a guess is a single position  $j$  with  $0 \leq j < m$  where we compare  $T[i + j]$  to  $P[j]$
  - must perform  $m$  checks of a single **correct** guess
  - may make fewer checks of an **incorrect** guess



# Diagrams for Matching

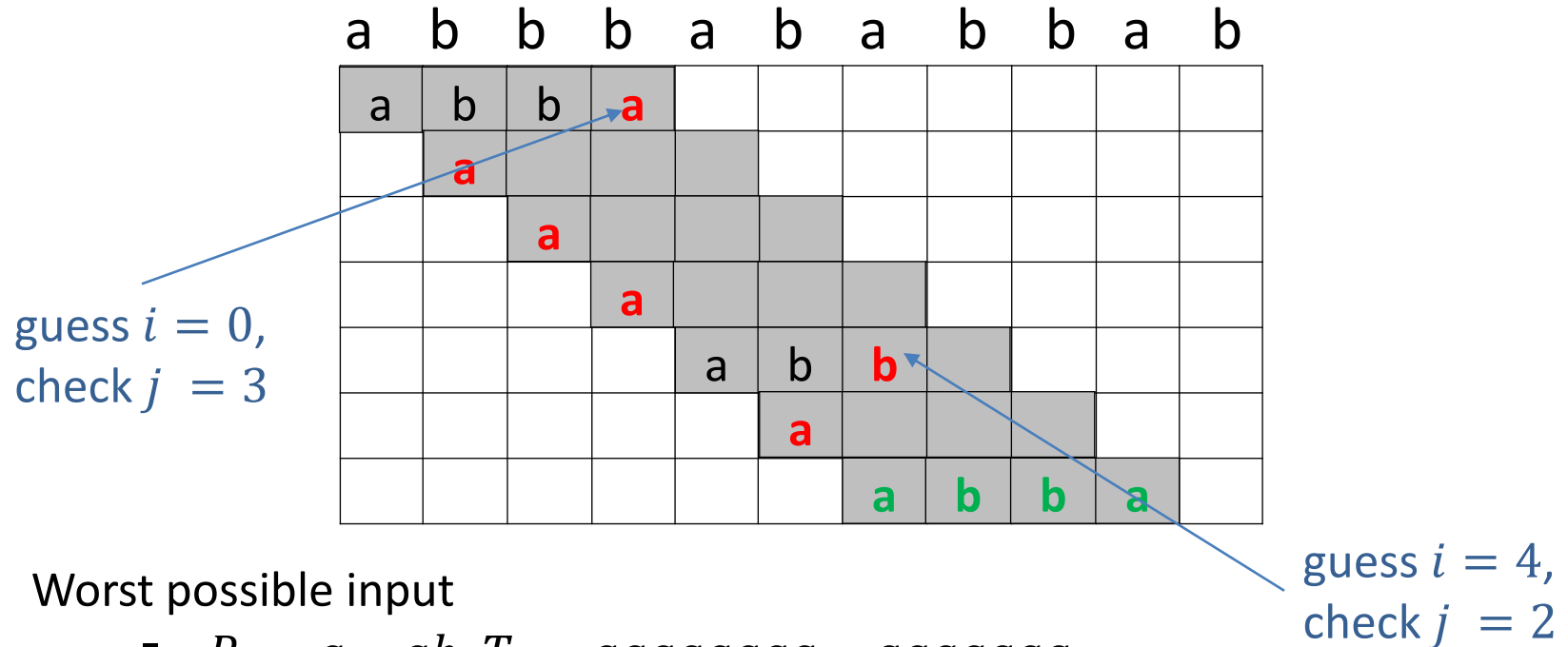
- Diagram single run of pattern matching algorithm by matrix of checks
  - each row represents a single guess

	a	b	b	b	a	b	a	b	b	a	b
a	b	b	a								



# Brute-Force Example

Example:  $T = \text{abbababbab}$ ,  $P = \text{abba}$



- Worst possible input
  - $P = \underbrace{a \dots ab}_{m-1 \text{ times}}, T = \underbrace{aaaaaaaaa \dots aaaaaaaaa}_{n \text{ times}}$
- Have to perform  $(n - m + 1)m$  checks, which is  $\Theta(nm)$  running time
  - very inefficient if  $m$  is large, i.e.  $m = n/2$



# Brute-force Algorithm

- Idea: Check every possible guess

```
Bruteforce::PatternMatching( $T$  [0.. $n - 1$ ],  $P$ [0.. $m - 1$ ])  
 $T$  : String of length  $n$  (text),  $P$ : String of length  $m$  (pattern)  
  for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $n - m$  do  
    if strcmp( $T$  [ $i \dots i + m - 1$ ],  $P$ ) = 0  
      return "found at guess  $i$ "  
  return FAIL
```

- Note: *strcmp* takes  $\Theta(m)$  time

```
strcmp( $T$  [ $i \dots i + m - 1$ ],  $P$ [0.. $m - 1$ ])  
  for  $j \leftarrow 0$  to  $m - 1$  do  
    if  $T$  [ $i + j$ ] is before  $P$ [ $j$ ] in  $\Sigma$  then return -1  
    if  $T$  [ $i + j$ ] is after  $P$ [ $j$ ] in  $\Sigma$  then return 1  
  return 0
```





# How to improve?

- More sophisticated algorithms
  - Extra **preprocessing** on pattern  $P$ 
    - **Karp-Rabin**
    - **Boyer-Moore**
    - **KMP**
    - **Eliminate guesses** based on completed matches and mismatches
  - Do extra **preprocessing** on the text  $T$ 
    - **Suffix-trees**
    - **Suffix-arrays**
    - **Create a data structure** to find matches easily



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# Karp-Rabin Fingerprint Algorithm: Idea

- **Idea:** use hashing to eliminate guesses faster
  - compute hash function for each guess, compare with pattern hash
    - if values are unequal, then the guess cannot be an occurrence
    - if values are equal, **verify** that pattern actually matches text
      - equal hash value does not guarantee equal keys
      - although if hash function is good, most likely keys are equal
      - $O(m)$  time to verify, but happens rarely, and most likely only for true match
  - example  $P = 5\ 9\ 2\ 6\ 5$ ,  $T = 3\ 1\ 4\ 1\ 5\ 9\ 2\ 6\ 5\ 3\ 5$ 
    - standard hash function: flattening + modular (radix  $R = 10$ ):

$$h(P) = 59265 \bmod 97 = 95$$

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
hash-value 84										$h(31415) = 84$
	hash-value 94									$h(14159) = 94$
		hash-value 76								$h(41592) = 76$
			hash-value 18							$h(15926) = 18$
				hash-value 95						$h(59265) = 95$



# Karp-Rabin Fingerprint Algorithm – First Attempt

```
Karp-Rabin-Simple::patternMatching( $T, P$ )
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 $h_P \leftarrow h(P[0..m-1])$ 
```

```
for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $n - m$ 
```

```
     $h_T \leftarrow h(T[i..i+m-1])$ 
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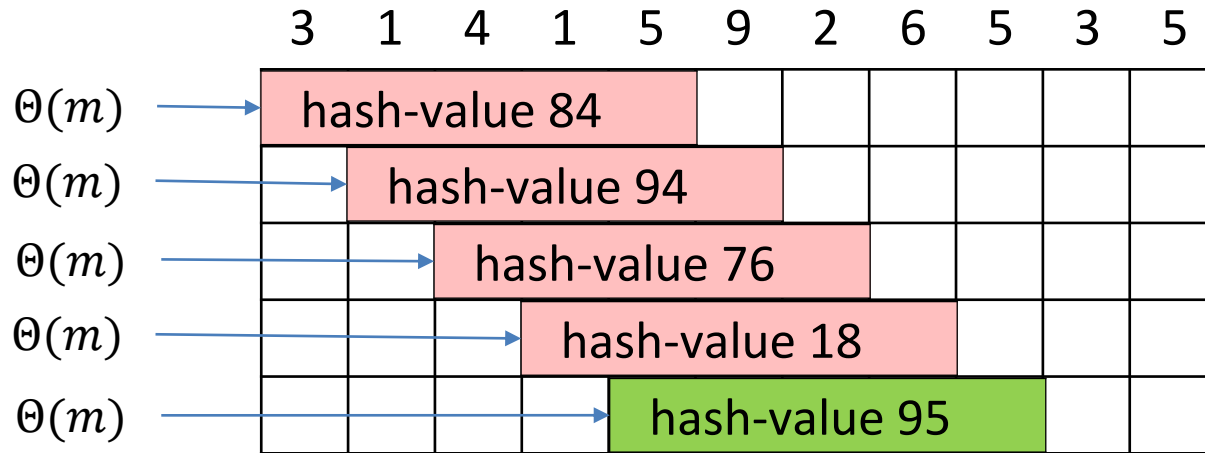
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            return “found at guess  $i$ ”
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```
    return FAIL
```

- Algorithm correctness: match is not missed
  - $h(T[i..i+m-1]) \neq h(P) \Rightarrow$  guess  $i$  is not  $P$
- What about running time?



# Karp-Rabin Fingerprint Algorithm: First Attempt



- for each shift,  $\Theta(m)$  time to compute hash value
  - worse than brute-force,
  - brute force can use less than  $\Theta(m)$  per shift, it stops at the first mismatched character
- $n - m + 1$  shifts in text to check
- total time is  $\Theta(mn)$  if pattern not in text



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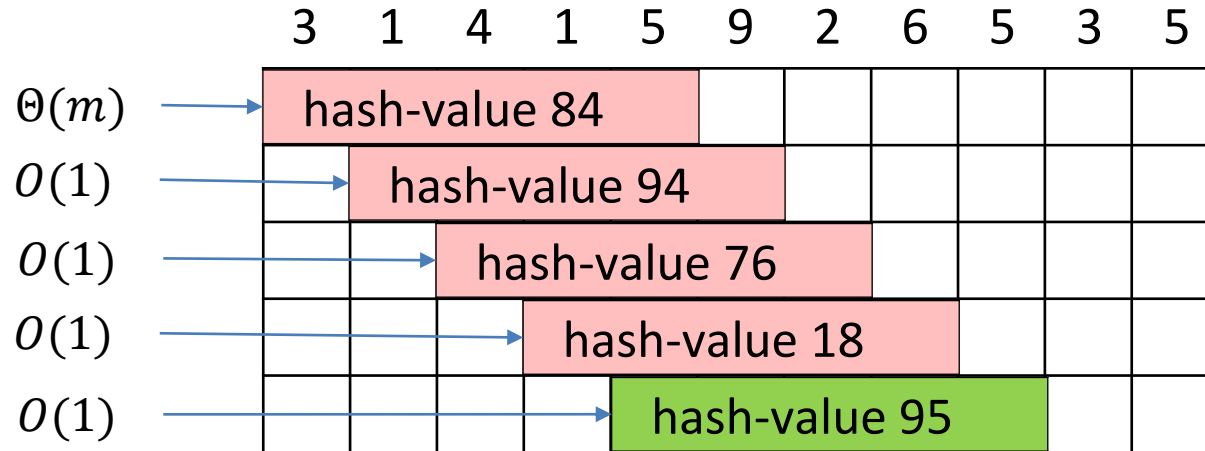
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- $h(T[i..i+m-1])$  depends on  $m$  characters
  - naive computation takes  $\Theta(m)$  time per guess
- Running time is  $\Theta(mn)$  if  $P$  not in  $T$
- How can we improve this?



# Karp-Rabin Fingerprint Algorithm: Idea



- Idea: compute next hash from previous one in  $O(1)$  time
- $n - m + 1$  shifts in text to check
- $\Theta(m)$  to compute the first hash value
- $O(1)$  to compute all other hash values
- $\Theta(n + m)$  expected time
  - recall that we still need to check if the pattern actually matches text whenever hash value of text is equal to the hash value of pattern
  - assuming a good hash function
    - if hash values are equal, pattern most likely matches



# Karp-Rabin Fingerprint Algorithm – Fast Rehash

- Hashes are called **fingerprints**
- Insight: can update a fingerprint from previous fingerprint in constant time
  - $O(1)$  time per hash, except first one
- **Example**

$$T = 415926535, \quad P = 59265$$

- At the start of the algorithm, compute
  - $h(41592) = 41592 \bmod 97 = 76$ 
    - the first hash (fingerprint),  $\Theta(m)$  time
  - $10000 \bmod 97 = 9$ , precomputed one time,  $\Theta(m)$  time
- How to compute  $15926 \bmod 97$  from  $41592 \bmod 97$  ?
  - to get from  $41592$  to  $15926$ , need to get rid of the old **first digit** and add new **last digit**

$$41592 \xrightarrow{-4 \cdot 10000} 1592 \xrightarrow{\times 10} 15920 \xrightarrow{+6} 15926$$

- Algebraically,  
$$(41592 - (4 \cdot 10000)) \cdot 10 + 6 = 15926$$





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$$\underbrace{\left( (76 - (4 \cdot 9)) \cdot 10 + 6 \right) \bmod 97}_{\text{constant number of operations, independent of } m} = 15926 \bmod 97$$

constant number of operations, independent of  $m$



# Karp-Rabin Fingerprint Algorithm – Conclusion

*Karp-Rabin-RollingHash::PatternMatching*( $T, P$ )

$M \leftarrow$  suitable prime number

$h_P \leftarrow h(P[0 \dots m - 1])$

$h_T \leftarrow h(T[0 \dots m - 1])$

$s \leftarrow 10^{m-1} \bmod M$

**for**  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $n - m$

**if**  $h_T = h_P$

**if** *strcmp*( $T[i \dots i + m - 1], P) = 0$

**return** “found at guess  $i$ ”

**if**  $i < n - m$  // compute hash-value for next guess

$h_T \leftarrow ((h_T - T[i] \cdot s) \cdot 10 + T[i + m]) \bmod M$

**return** FAIL

- Choose “table size”  $M$  at **random** to be a large prime
- Expected running time is  $O(m + n)$
- $\Theta(mn)$  worst-case, but this is (unbelievably) unlikely



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# Knuth-Morris-Pratt (KMP) Derivation

$P = ababaca$

$j=0$   
 $i=0$

$T$	c	a	b	a	b	a	a	b	a	b
	a									

- KMP starts similar to brute force pattern matching
  - maintain variables  $i$  and  $j$ 
    - $j$  is the position in the pattern
    - $i$  is the position in the text
    - check if  $T[i] = P[j]$ 
      - note brute force checks if  $T[i + j] = P[j]$ , different usage of  $i$
- Begin matching with  $i = 0, j = 0$
- If  $T[i] \neq P[j]$  and  $j = 0$ , shift pattern by 1, the same action as in brute-force
  - $i = i + 1$
  - $j$  is unchanged



# Knuth-Morris-Pratt Motivation

$P = ababaca$

$j=0 \quad j=0 \quad j=1 \quad j=2 \quad j=3 \quad j=4 \quad j=5$   
 $i=0 \quad i=1 \quad i=2 \quad i=3 \quad i=4 \quad i=5 \quad i=6$

$T$	c	a	b	a	b	a	a	b	a	b
	a									
		a	b	a	b	a	c			

- When  $T[i] = P[j]$ , the action is to check the next letter, as in brute-force
  - $i = i + 1$
  - $j = j + 1$
- Failure at text position  $i = 6$ , pattern position  $j = 5$
- When failure is at pattern position  $j > 0$ , do something smarter than brute force



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 $i=0$   $i=1$   $i=2$   $i=3$   $i=4$   $i=5$   $i=6$

$T$	c	a	b	a	b	a	a	b	a	b
	a									
		a	b	a	b	a	c			
			a							
				a	b	a				

shift by 1 does not work

shift by 2 could work

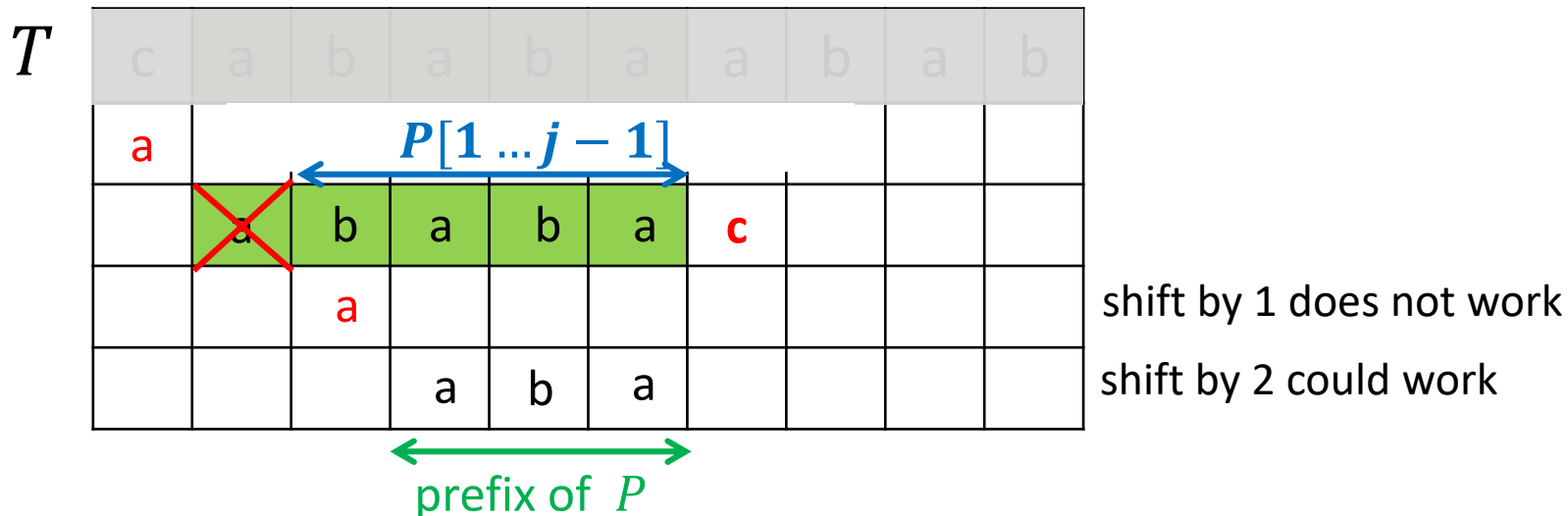
- When failure is at pattern position  $j > 0$ , do something smarter than brute force
- Prior to  $j = 5$ , pattern and text are equal
  - find how to shift pattern looking only at pattern
  - can precompute the shift before matching even begins
- If failure at  $j = 5$ , shift pattern by 2 and start matching with  $j = 3$ 
  - equivalently:  $i$  stays the same, new  $j = 3$
  - skipped one shift, and also 3 character checks at the next shift



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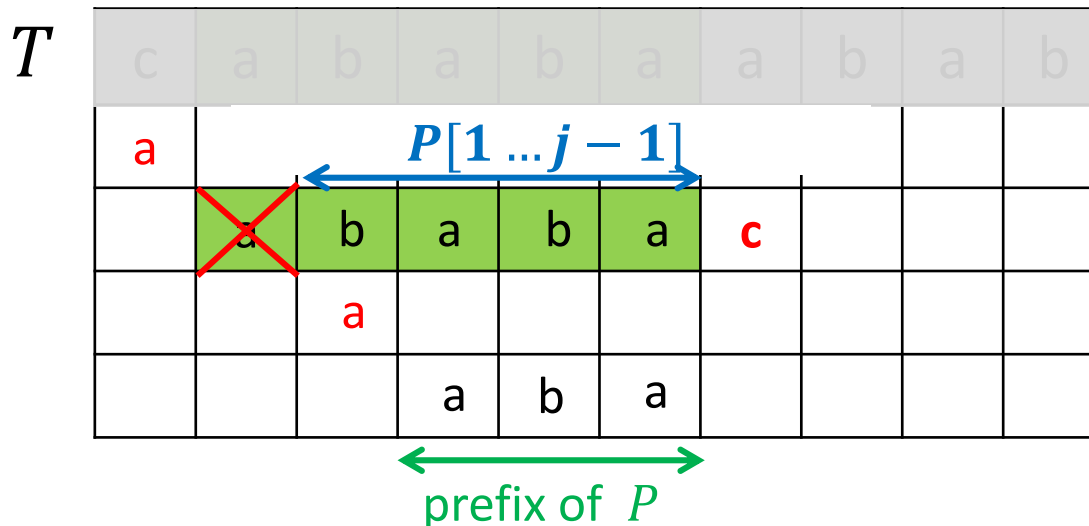
- If failure at  $j = 5$ : continue matching with the same  $i$  and new  $j = 3$ 
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  - find longest suffix of  $P[1 \dots j - 1]$  which is also prefix of  $P$
  - call a suffix **valid** if it is a prefix of  $P$
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# KMP Failure Array Computation: Slow

- **Rule:** if failure at pattern index  $j > 0$ , continue matching with the same  $i$  and new  $j =$  the length of the longest valid suffix of  $P[1 \dots j - 1]$
- Computed previously for  $j = 5$ , but need to compute for all  $j$
- Store this information in array  $F[0 \dots m - 1]$ , called **failure-function**
  - $F[j]$  is length of the longest valid suffix of  $P[1 \dots j]$
  - if failure at pattern index  $j > 0$ , new  $j = F[j - 1]$

$F$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
	0	0	1	2			

▪  $P = ababaca$

▪  $j = 0$

- $P[1 \dots 0] = ""$ ,  $P = ababaca$ , longest valid suffix is ""
- note that  $F[0] = 0$  for any pattern

▪  $j = 1$

- $P[1 \dots 1] = b$ ,  $P = ababaca$ , longest valid suffix is ""

▪  $j = 2$

- $P[1 \dots 2] = ba$ ,  $P = ababaca$ , longest valid suffix is  $a$

▪  $j = 3$

- $P[1 \dots 3] = bab$ ,  $P = ababaca$ , longest valid suffix is  $ab$



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$F$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2	3	0	1

- $j = 4$ 
  - $P[1 \dots 4] = baba$ ,  $P = ababaca$ , longest valid suffix is *aba*
- $j = 5$ 
  - $P[1 \dots 5] = babac$ ,  $P = ababaca$ , longest valid suffix is ""
- $j = 6$ 
  - $P[1 \dots 6] = babaca$ ,  $P = ababaca$ , longest valid suffix is *a*

- Failure array is precomputed before matching starts

- Straightforward computation of failure array  $F$  is  $O(m^3)$  time

for  $j = 1$  to  $m$

for  $i = 0$  to  $j$  // go over all suffixes of  $P[1 \dots j]$

for  $k = 0$  to  $i$  // compare next suffix to prefix of  $P$



# String matching with KMP: Example

- $T = cabababcababaca$ ,  $P = ababaca$

$F$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2	3	0	1

$i=0$   
 $j=0$

$T:$	c	a	b	a	b	a	b	c	a	b	a	b	a	c	a
$P:$															

rule 1

if  $T[i] = P[j]$

- $i = i + 1$
- $j = j + 1$

rule 2

if  $T[i] \neq P[j]$  and  $j > 0$

- $i$  unchanged
- $j = F[j - 1]$

rule 3

if  $T[i] \neq P[j]$  and  $j = 0$

- $i = i + 1$
- $j$  is unchanged



# String matching with KMP: Example

- $T = cabababcababaca, P = ababaca$

$F$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2	3	0	1

						$j=0$											
						$j=3$	<del><math>j=2</math></del>										
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				(a)	(b)	(a)	b	<b>a</b>									new $j = 2$
						(a)	(b)	<b>a</b>									new $j = 0$
							<b>a</b>										
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# Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm

*KMP*( $T, P$ )

$F \leftarrow \text{failureArray}(P)$

$i \leftarrow 0$  // current character of  $T$

$j \leftarrow 0$  // current character of  $P$

**while**  $i < n$  **do**

**if**  $P[j] = T[i]$

**if**  $j = m - 1$

**return** “found at guess  $i - m + 1$ ”

            // location  $i$  in  $T$  is the end of matched  $P$  in text

**else** // rule 1

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

$j \leftarrow j + 1$

**else** //  $P[j] \neq T[i]$

**if**  $j > 0$

$j \leftarrow F[j - 1]$  // rule 2

**else** // rule 3

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

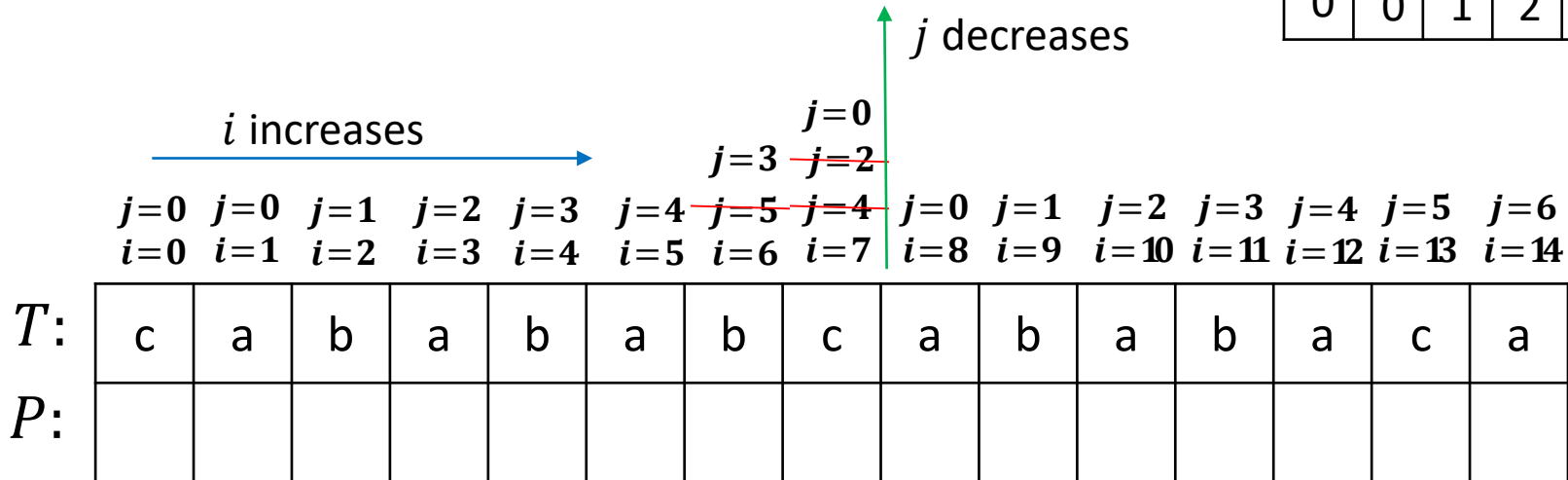
**return** *FAIL*



# KMP: Time Complexity, informally

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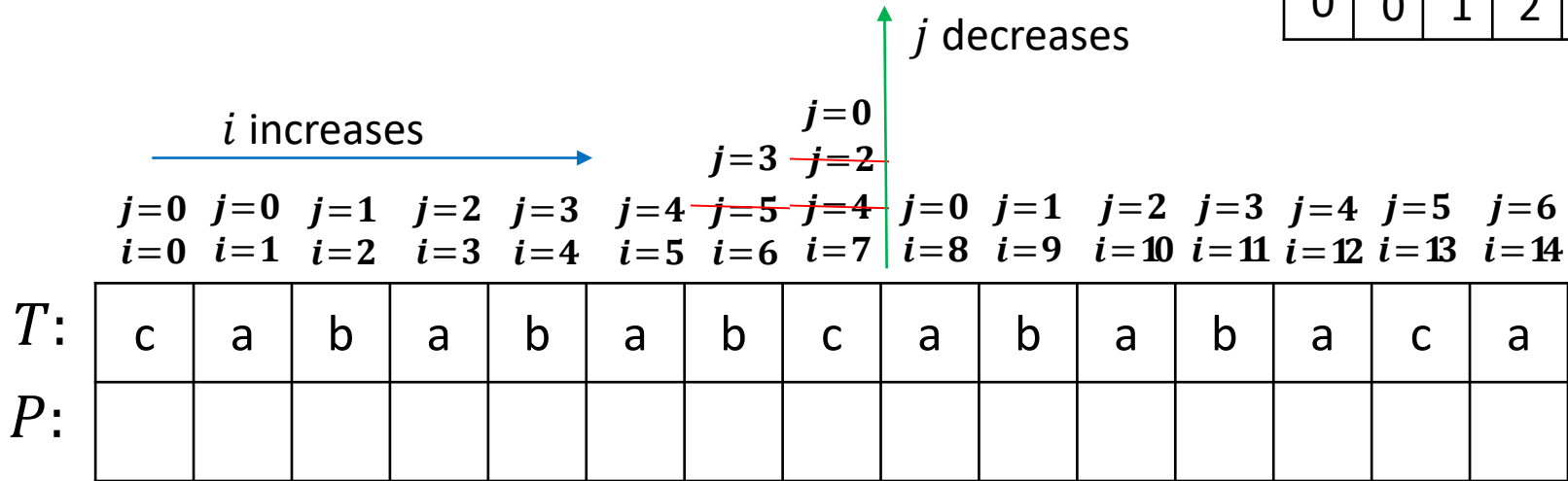
- For now, ignore the cost of computing failure array
- Total time = 'horizontal iterations' + 'vertical iterations'
- $i$  can increase at most  $n$  times
- number of decreases of  $j \leq$  number of increases of  $j \leq n$
- $O(n)$  total iterations, more formal analysis later



# KMP: Running Time, informally

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# Fast Computation of $F$

- $P = ababaca$

	$j=0$	$j=0$	$j=1$	$j=2$	$j=3$	$j=4$	$j=5$
	$i=0$	$i=1$	$i=2$	$i=3$	$i=4$	$i=5$	$i=6$
$T:$	c	a	b	a	b	a	
$P:$	a						
		a	b	a	b	a	

- After processing  $T$ , the final value of  $j$  is longest suffix of  $T$  equal to prefix of  $P$ 
  - or, using our terminology, the final value of  $j$  is the longest valid suffix of  $T$
- Useful for failure array computation
  - but first, let us rename variable  $j$  as  $l$  (only for failure array computation)
  - otherwise things get confusing
    - already have  $j$  when talking about failure array





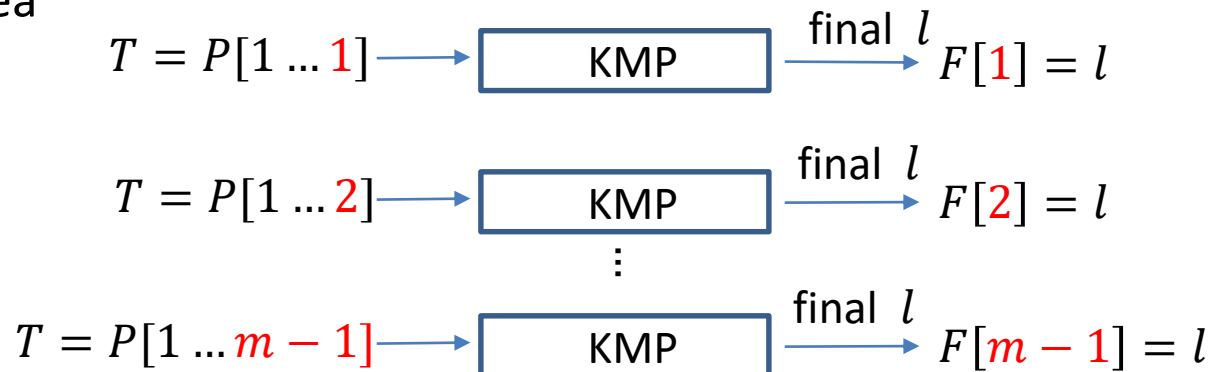
# Fast Computation of $F$

- $P = ababaca$

	$l=0$	$l=0$	$l=1$	$l=2$	$l=3$	$l=4$	$l=5$
	$i=0$	$i=1$	$i=2$	$i=3$	$i=4$	$i=5$	$i=6$
$T:$	c	a	b	a	b	a	
$P:$	a						
		a	b	a	b	a	

- After processing  $T$ , the final value of  $l$  is longest suffix of  $T$  equal to prefix of  $P$ 
  - or, using our terminology, the final value of  $l$  is the longest valid suffix of  $T$
- $F[j] =$  length of the longest valid suffix of  $P[1\dots j]$ 
  - need to compute  $F[j]$  for  $0 < j < m$ 
    - $F[0] = 0$ , no need to compute

- Big idea



‘chicken and egg’  
 problem with big idea:  
 need  $F$  to put text  
 through KMP



# Fast Computation of $F$ : Big Idea Saved

- $j = 1$



- start with  $l = 0$
- text has one letter, can reach at most  $l = 1$
- need at most  $F[0]$ , and already have it

- $j = 2$



- start with  $l = 0$
- text has two letters, can reach at most  $l = 2$
- need at most  $F[0], F[1]$ , and already have it

⋮

- $j = m - 1$



- start with  $l = 0$
- text has  $m - 1$  letters, can reach at most  $l = m - 1$
- need at most  $F[0], F[1], \dots, F[m - 2]$ , and already have it



# Fast Computation of $F$ : Big Idea Made Bigger

$$T = P[1 \dots 1] \longrightarrow \boxed{\text{KMP}} \xrightarrow{\text{final } l} F[1] = l$$

$$T = P[1 \dots 2] \longrightarrow \boxed{\text{KMP}} \xrightarrow{\text{final } l} F[2] = l$$

$$T = P[1 \dots 3] \longrightarrow \boxed{\text{KMP}} \xrightarrow{\text{final } l} F[3] = l$$

⋮

$$T = P[1 \dots m - 1] \longrightarrow \boxed{\text{KMP}} \xrightarrow{\text{final } l} F[m - 1] = l$$

do not start from scratch, start from where  $P[1 \dots 1]$  finished

do not start from scratch, start from where  $P[1 \dots 2]$  finished

do not start from scratch, start from where  $P[1 \dots m - 2]$  finished

- Cost of passing  $P[1 \dots 1], P[1 \dots 2], \dots, P[1 \dots m - 1]$  through KMP is equal to the cost of passing just  $P[1 \dots m - 1]$  through KMP



# Fast Computation of $F$

- Process  $T = P[1 \dots j]$ ,  $F[j] = \text{final } l$
- $P = ababaca$
- Initialize  $F[0] = 0$

$F$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0						



# Fast Computation of $F$

$$F$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0					

- Process  $T = P[1 \dots j]$ ,  $F[j] = \text{final } l$
- $P = ababaca$
- $j = 1, T = P[1 \dots j] = b$

$l=0$      $l=0$   
 $i=0$      $i=1$

$T:$	b										
$P:$	<b>a</b>										

if  $T[i] = P[l]$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l = l + 1$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l > 0$

- $i$  unchanged
- $l = F[l - 1]$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l = 0$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l$  is unchanged



# Fast Computation of $F$

$$F$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1				

- Process  $T = P[1 \dots j]$ ,  $F[j] = \text{final } l$
- $P = \text{ababaca}$
- $j = 2$ ,  $T = P[1 \dots j] = \text{ba}$

	$l=0$	$l=0$	$l=1$								
	$i=0$	$i=1$	$i=2$								
$T:$	b	a									
$P:$	<b>a</b>										
		a									

if  $T[i] = P[l]$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l = l + 1$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l > 0$

- $i$  unchanged
- $l = F[l - 1]$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l = 0$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l$  is unchanged



# Fast Computation of $F$

$$F$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2			

- Process  $T = P[1 \dots j]$ ,  $F[j] = \text{final } l$
- $P = \text{ababaca}$
- $j = 3$ ,  $T = P[1 \dots j] = \text{bab}$

$l=0$      $l=0$      $l=1$      $l=2$   
 $i=0$      $i=1$      $i=2$      $i=3$

$T:$	b	a	b								
$P:$	<b>a</b>										
		a	b								

if  $T[i] = P[l]$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l = l + 1$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l > 0$

- $i$  unchanged
- $l = F[l - 1]$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l = 0$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l$  is unchanged



# Fast Computation of $F$

$$F$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2	3		

- Process  $T = P[1 \dots j]$ ,  $F[j] = \text{final } l$
- $P = \text{ababaca}$
- $j = 4$ ,  $T = P[1 \dots j] = \text{baba}$

	$l=0$	$l=0$	$l=1$	$l=2$	$l=3$						
	$i=0$	$i=1$	$i=2$	$i=3$	$i=4$						
$T:$	b	a	b	a							
$P:$	<b>a</b>										
		a	b	a							

if  $T[i] = P[l]$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l = l + 1$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l > 0$

- $i$  unchanged
- $l = F[l - 1]$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l = 0$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l$  is unchanged





# Fast Computation of $F$

$F$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
	0	0	1	2	3	0	

- Process  $T = P[1 \dots j]$ ,  $F[j] = \text{final } l$
- $P = \text{ababaca}$
- $j = 5$ ,  $T = P[1 \dots j] = \text{babac}$

$l=0$   
 ~~$l=1$~~   
 ~~$l=3$~~   
 $l=0$

$i=0$     $i=1$     $i=2$     $i=3$     $i=4$     $i=5$

$T:$	b	a	b	a	c						
$P:$	<b>a</b>										
		a	b	a	<b>b</b>						
				(a)	<b>b</b>						
					<b>a</b>						

new  $l = 1$

new  $l = 0$

if  $T[i] = P[l]$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l = l + 1$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l > 0$

- $i$  unchanged
- $l = F[l - 1]$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l = 0$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l$  is unchanged



# Fast Computation of $F$

$F$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
	0	0	1	2	3	0	1

- Process  $T = P[1 \dots j]$ ,  $F[j] = \text{final } l$
- $P = \text{ababaca}$
- $j = 6$ ,  $T = P[1 \dots j] = \text{babaca}$

$l=0$   
 ~~$l=1$~~   
 ~~$l=3$~~   
 $l=0$     $l=1$   
 $i=0$     $i=1$     $i=2$     $i=3$     $i=4$     $i=5$     $i=6$

$T:$	b	a	b	a	c	a					
$P:$	<b>a</b>										
		a	b	a	<b>b</b>						
				(a)	<b>b</b>						
					a						
						a					

new  $l = 1$

new  $l = 0$

if  $T[i] = P[l]$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l = l + 1$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l > 0$

- $i$  unchanged
- $l = F[l - 1]$

if  $T[i] \neq P[l]$  and  $l = 0$

- $i = i + 1$
- $l$  is unchanged



# KMP: Computing Failure Array

- Pseudocode is almost identical to  $\text{KMP}(T, P)$ 
  - main difference:  $F[j]$  gets both used and updated
- More formal analysis
  - consider how  $2j - l$  changes in each iteration of while loop
  - one of the three case below applies
    - 1)  $j$  and  $l$  both increase by 1
      - $2j - l$  increases by 1
    - 2)  $l$  decreases ( $F[l - 1] < l$ )
      - $2j - l$  increases by 1 or more
    - 1)  $j$  increases by 1
      - $2j - l$  increases by 2
- initially  $2j - l = 2 \geq 0$
- at the end  $2j - l \leq 2m$ 
  - $j = m, l \geq 0$
- no more than  $2m$  iterations of while loop
- time is  $\Theta(m)$

*failureArray*( $P$ )

$P$ : String of length  $m$  (pattern)

$F[0] \leftarrow 0$

$j \leftarrow 1$  // parsing  $P[1 \dots j]$

$l \leftarrow 0$

**while**  $j < m$  **do**

**if**  $P[j] = P[l]$

$l \leftarrow l + 1$

$F[j] \leftarrow l$

$j \leftarrow j + 1$

**else if**  $l > 0$

$l \leftarrow F[l - 1]$

**else**

$F[j] \leftarrow 0$

$j \leftarrow j + 1$



# KMP: main function runtime

```
KMP(T, P)
  F ← failureArray (P)
  i ← 0
  j ← 0
  while i < n do
    if P[j] = T[i]
      if j = m - 1
        return "found at guess i - m + 1"
      else
        i ← i + 1
        j ← j + 1
    else // P[j] ≠ T[i]
      if j > 0
        j ← F[j - 1]
      else
        i ← i + 1
  return FAIL
```

- KMP main function
  - *failureArray* can be computed in  $\Theta(m)$  time
  - Same analysis gives at most  $2n$  iterations of while loop since  $2i - j \leq 2n$
  - Running time KMP altogether:  $\Theta(n + m)$



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# Boyer-Moore Algorithm Motivation

- Fastest pattern matching on English Text
- Important components
  - **Reverse-order searching**
    - compare  $P$  with a guess moving *backwards*
  - When a mismatch occurs choose the better option among the two below
    1. **Bad character heuristic**
      - eliminate shifts based on mismatched character of  $T$
    2. **Good suffix heuristic**
      - eliminate shifts based on the matched part (i.e.) suffix of  $P$



# Reverse Searching vs. Forward Searching

$T = \text{whereiswaldo}$ ,  $P = \text{aldo}$

w	h	e	r	e	i	s	w	a	l	d	o
			o								
							o				
								a	l	d	o

w	h	e	r	e	i	s	w	a	l	d	o
a											

- **r** does not occur in  $P = \text{aldo}$
- shift pattern past **r**
- **w** does not occur in  $P = \text{aldo}$
- shift pattern past **w**
- this **bad character heuristic** works well with reverse searching

- **w** does not occur in  $P = \text{aldo}$
- move pattern past **w**
- the first shift moves pattern past **w**
- no shifts are ruled out
- **bad character heuristic** does not work well with forward searching



# Bad Character Heuristic: Full Version

- Extends to the case when mismatched text character occurs in  $P$

$T = \text{acranapple}$ ,  $P = \text{aaron}$

a	c	r	a	n	a	p	p	l	e
			o	n					
		a	a	r	o	n			

- Mismatched character in the text is **a**
- Find last occurrence of **a** in  $P$
- Shift the pattern to the left until last **a** in  $P$  aligns with **a** in text





# Bad Character Heuristic: Full Version

- Extends to the case when mismatched text character does occur in  $P$

$T = \text{acranapple}$ ,  $P = \text{aaron}$

a	c	r	a	n	a	p	p	l	e
			o	n					
			[a]						

- Mismatched character in the text is **a**
- Find last occurrence of **a** in  $P$
- Shift the pattern to the left until last **a** in  $P$  aligns with **a** in text
- This is the next possible shift of pattern to explore, skipped shifts are impossible because they do not match **a**
  - start matching at the end



# Bad Character Heuristic: The Shifting Formula

$T = \text{acranapple}$ ,  $P = \text{aaron}$

			$j=3$				$j=4$		
			$i=3$				$i=6$		
a	c	r	a	n	a	p	p	l	e
			o	n					

- Let  $L(c)$  be the last occurrence of character  $c$  in  $P$ 
  - $L(a) = 1$  in our example
  - define  $L(c) = -1$  if character  $c$  does not occur in  $P$
- When mismatch occurs at text position  $i$ , pattern position  $j$ , update
  - $j = m - 1$ 
    - start matching at the end of the pattern
  - $i = i + m - 1 - L(c)$ 
    - bad character heuristic can be used only if  $L(c) < j$



# Bad Character Heuristic: Last Occurrence Array

- Compute the **last occurrence array**  $L(c)$  of any character in the alphabet
  - $L(c) = -1$  if character  $c$  does not occur in  $P$ , otherwise
  - $L(c) =$  largest index  $i$  such that  $P[i] = c$

- Example:  $P =$  **aaron**

- initialization

<i>char</i>	a	n	o	r	all others
$L(c)$	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1

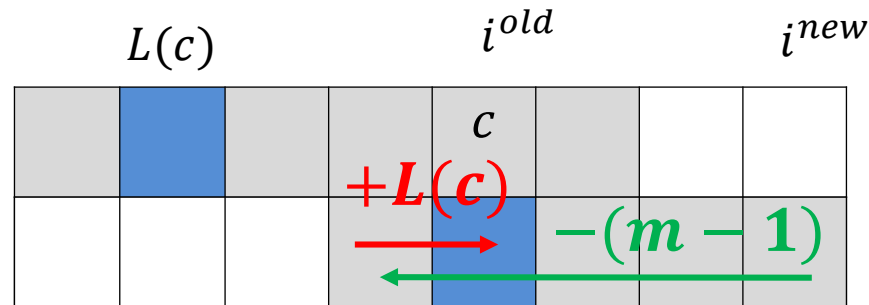
- computation

<i>char</i>	a	n	o	r	all others
$L(c)$	1	4	3	2	-1

- $O(m + |\Sigma|)$  time



# Bad Character Heuristic: Shifting Formula Explained

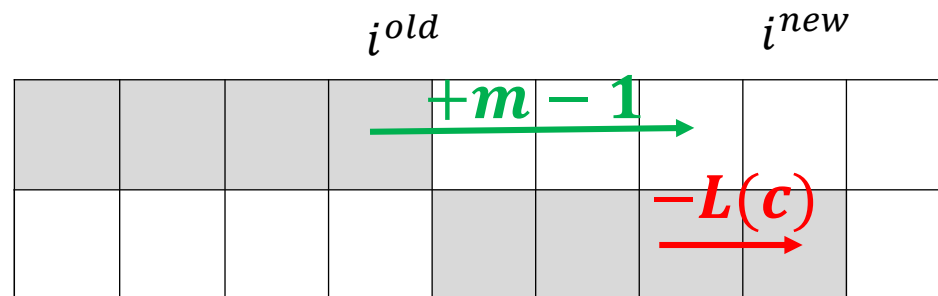


$$i^{new} - (m - 1) + L(c) = i^{old}$$

$$i^{new} = i^{old} + m - 1 - L(c)$$

$$i = i + m - 1 - L(c)$$

- recall  $L(c) = -1$  for any character  $c$  that does not occur in  $P$
- formula also works when mismatched character  $c$  does not occur in  $P$



# Bad Character Heuristic, Last detail

- Can use bad character heuristic **only** if  $L(c) < j$
- Example when  $L(c) > j$

$T = \text{acraaapple}, P = \text{aaroa}$

$j=3$   
 $i=3$

				a	c	r	a	a	a	p	p	l	e
							o	a					

- $i = i + m - 1 - L(c)$ 
  - $L(a) = 4 > j = 3$
  - $i = 3 + 4 - 4 = 3$
- shifts the pattern in the wrong direction!
- If  $L(c) > j$ , do brute-force step
  - $i = i - j + m$
  - $j = m - 1$
- Unified formula that works in all cases :  $i = i + m - 1 - \min\{L(c), j - 1\}$



# Boyer-Moore Algorithm

*BoyerMoore*( $T, P$ )

$L \leftarrow$  last occurrence array computed from  $P$

$j \leftarrow m - 1$

$i \leftarrow m - 1$

**while**  $i < n$  and  $j \geq 0$  **do**

**if**  $T[i] = P[j]$  **then**

$i \leftarrow i - 1$

$j \leftarrow j - 1$

**else**

$i \leftarrow i + m - 1 - \min\{L(c), j - 1\}$

$j \leftarrow m - 1$

**if**  $j = -1$  **return**  $i + 1$

**else return FAIL**



# Good Suffix Heuristic

- Idea is similar to KMP, but applied to the suffix, since matching backwards

$P = \text{onobobo}$

				$j=3$					$j=6$										
				$i=3$					$i=8$										
$T$	o	n	o	o	o	b	o	o	o	i	b	b	o	u	n	d	a	r	y
				b	o	b	o												
			o	n	o	b	o	b	o										

- Text has letters **obo**
- Do the smallest shift so that **obo** fits
- Can precompute this from the pattern itself, before matching starts
  - 'if failure at  $j = 3$ , shift pattern by 2'
- Continue matching from the end of the new shift
- Will not study the precise way to do it



# Boyer-Moore Summary

- Boyer-Moore performs very well, even when using only bad character heuristic
- Worst case run time is  $O(nm)$  with bad character heuristic, but in practice much faster
- On typical English text, Boyer-Moore looks only at  $\approx 25\%$  of text
- With good suffix heuristic, can ensure  $O(n + m + |\Sigma|)$  run time
  - no details





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# Suffix Tree: trie of Suffixes

- What if we search for **many patterns**  $P$  within the same **fixed text**  $T$ ?
- **Idea:** preprocess the text  $T$  rather than pattern  $P$
- **Observation:**  $P$  is a substring of  $T$  if and only if  $P$  is a prefix of some suffix of  $T$

establishment  
                  └──┬──  
                  suffix

- Store all suffixes of  $T$  in a trie
  - generalize search to prefixes of stored strings
- To save space
  - use compressed trie
  - store suffixes implicitly via indices into  $T$
- This is called a **suffix tree**

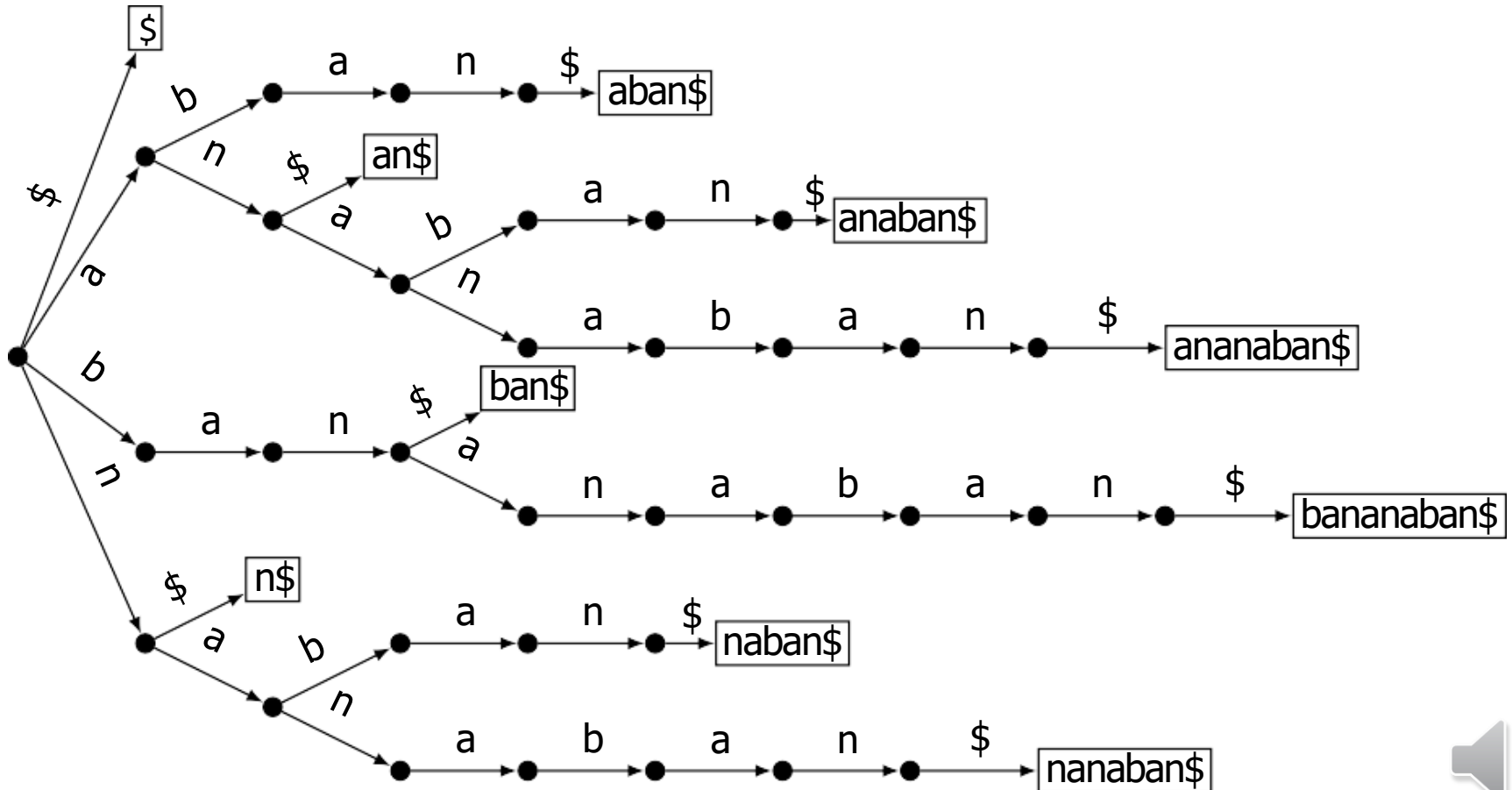


# Trie of suffixes: Example

- $T = \text{bananaban}$

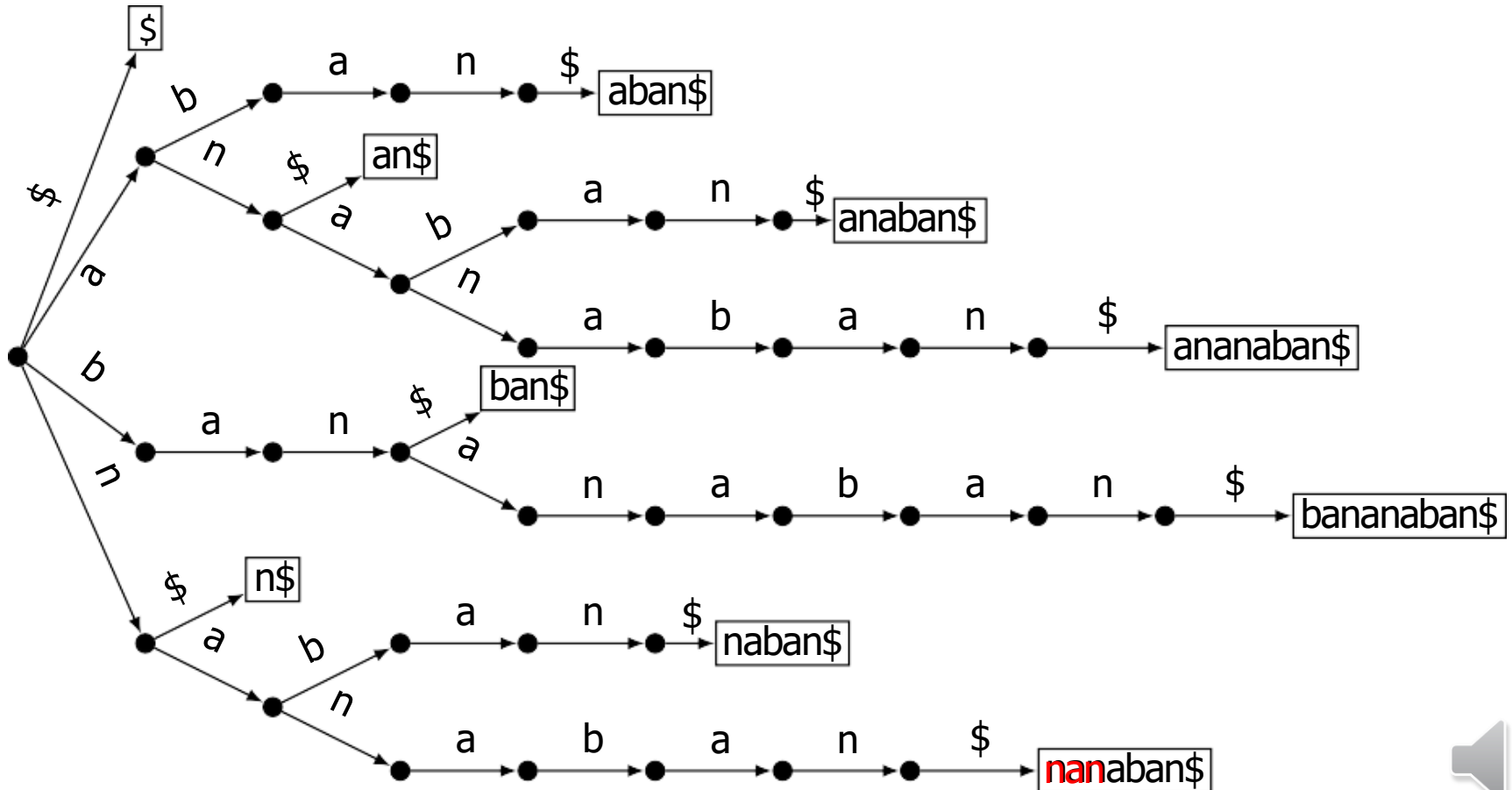
Suffixes = {bananaban, ananaban, nanaban, anaban, naban, aban, ban, an, n,  $\Lambda$ }

$S = \{\text{bananaban}\$, \text{ananaban}\$, \text{nanaban}\$, \text{anaban}\$, \text{naban}\$, \dots, \text{ban}\$, \text{n}\$, \$\}$



# Trie of suffixes: Example

- $T = \text{bananaban}$
- If  $P$  occurs in the text, it is a prefix of one (or more) strings stored in the trie
- Will have to modify search in a trie to allow search for a prefix

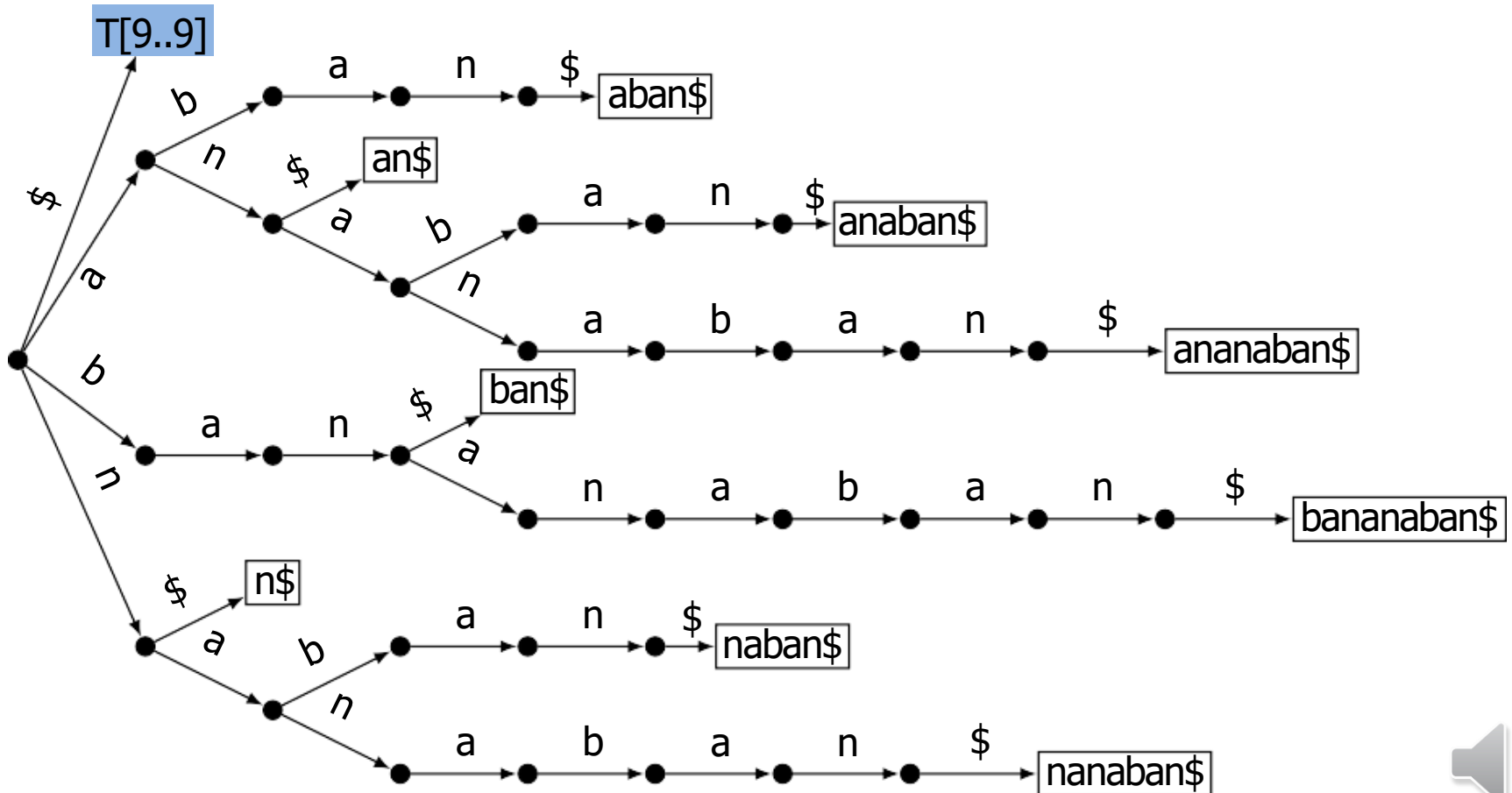


# Trie of suffixes: Example

$T =$ 

<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
b	a	n	a	n	a	b	a	n	\$

- Store suffixes via indices

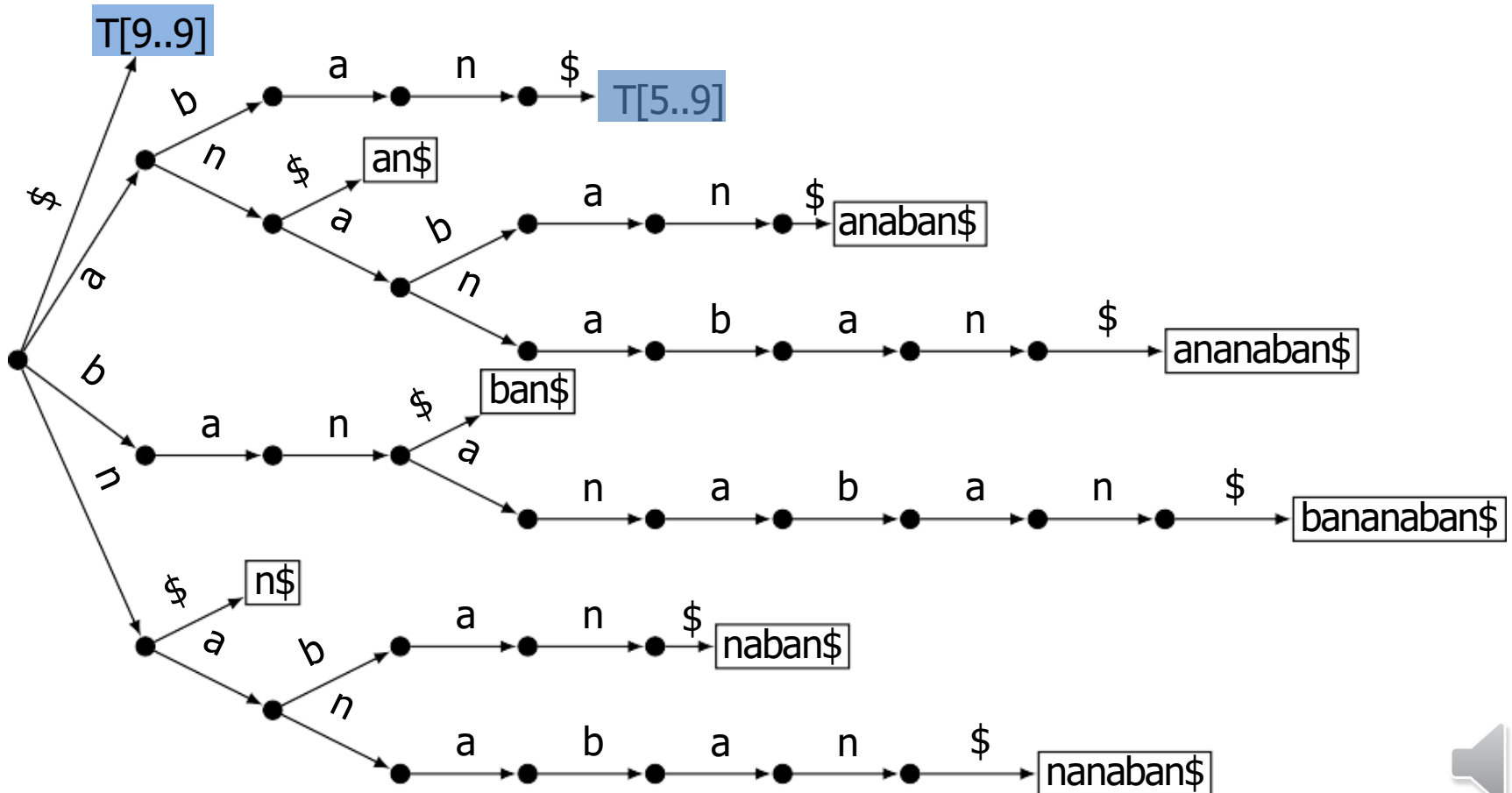


# Trie of suffixes: Example

$T =$ 

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
b	a	n	a	n	a	b	a	n	\$

- Store suffixes via indices

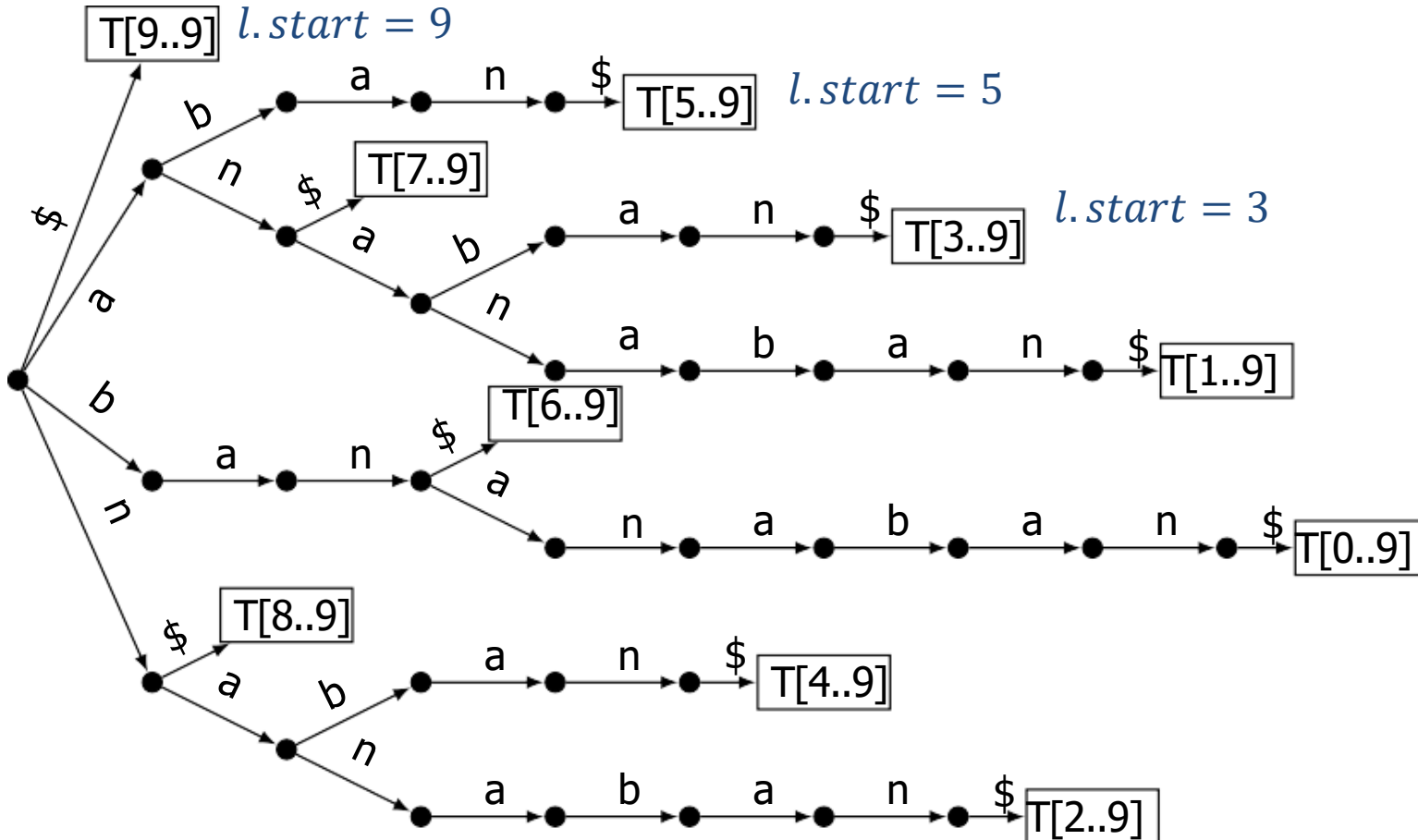


# Tries of suffixes

- each leaf  $l$  stores the start of its suffix in variable  $l.start$

$T =$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
b	a	n	a	n	a	b	a	n	\$

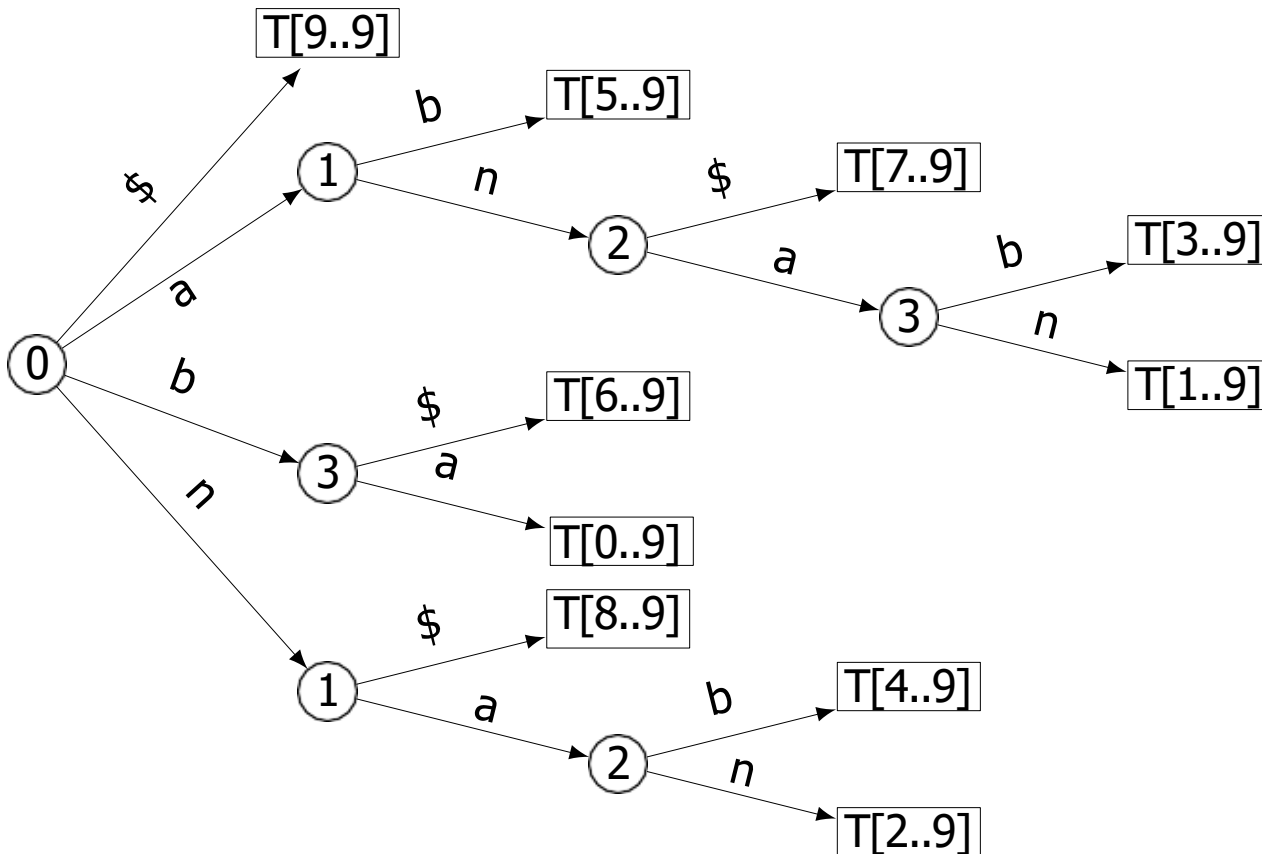


# Suffix tree

- **Suffix tree**: compressed trie of suffixes

$T =$ 

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
b	a	n	a	n	a	b	a	n	\$





# Building Suffix Tree

- Building
  - text  $T$  has  $n$  characters and  $n + 1$  suffixes
  - can build suffix tree by inserting each suffix of  $T$  into compressed trie
    - takes  $\Theta(|\Sigma|n^2)$  time
  - there is a way to build a suffix tree of  $T$  in  $\Theta(|\Sigma|n)$  time
    - beyond the course scope
- Pattern Matching
  - essentially search for  $P$  in compressed trie
    - some changes needed, since  $P$  may only be prefix of stored word
  - run-time is  $O(|\Sigma|m)$
- Summary
  - theoretically good, but construction is slow or complicated and lots of space-overhead
  - rarely used in practice



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# Suffix Arrays

- Relatively recent development (popularized in the 1990s)
- Sacrifice some performance for simplicity
  - slightly slower (by a log-factor) than suffix trees
  - much easier to build
  - much simpler pattern matching
  - very little space, only one array
- Idea
  - store suffixes implicitly, by storing start indices
  - store sorting permutation of the suffixes in  $T$



# Suffix Array Example

$T =$ 

<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
b	a	n	a	n	a	b	a	n	\$

i	suffix $T[i \dots n]$
0	bananaban\$
1	ananaban\$
2	nanaban\$
3	anaban\$
4	naban\$
5	aban\$
6	ban\$
7	an\$
8	n\$
9	\$

sort lexicographically

j	$A^s[j]$	
0	9	\$
1	5	aban\$
2	7	an\$
3	3	anaban\$
4	1	ananaban\$
5	6	ban\$
6	0	bananaban\$
7	8	n\$
8	4	naban\$
9	2	nanaban\$

Suffix Array = 

<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
9	5	7	3	1	6	0	8	4	2



# Suffix Array Example

$T =$ 

<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
b	a	n	a	n	a	b	a	n	\$

i	suffix $T[i \dots n]$
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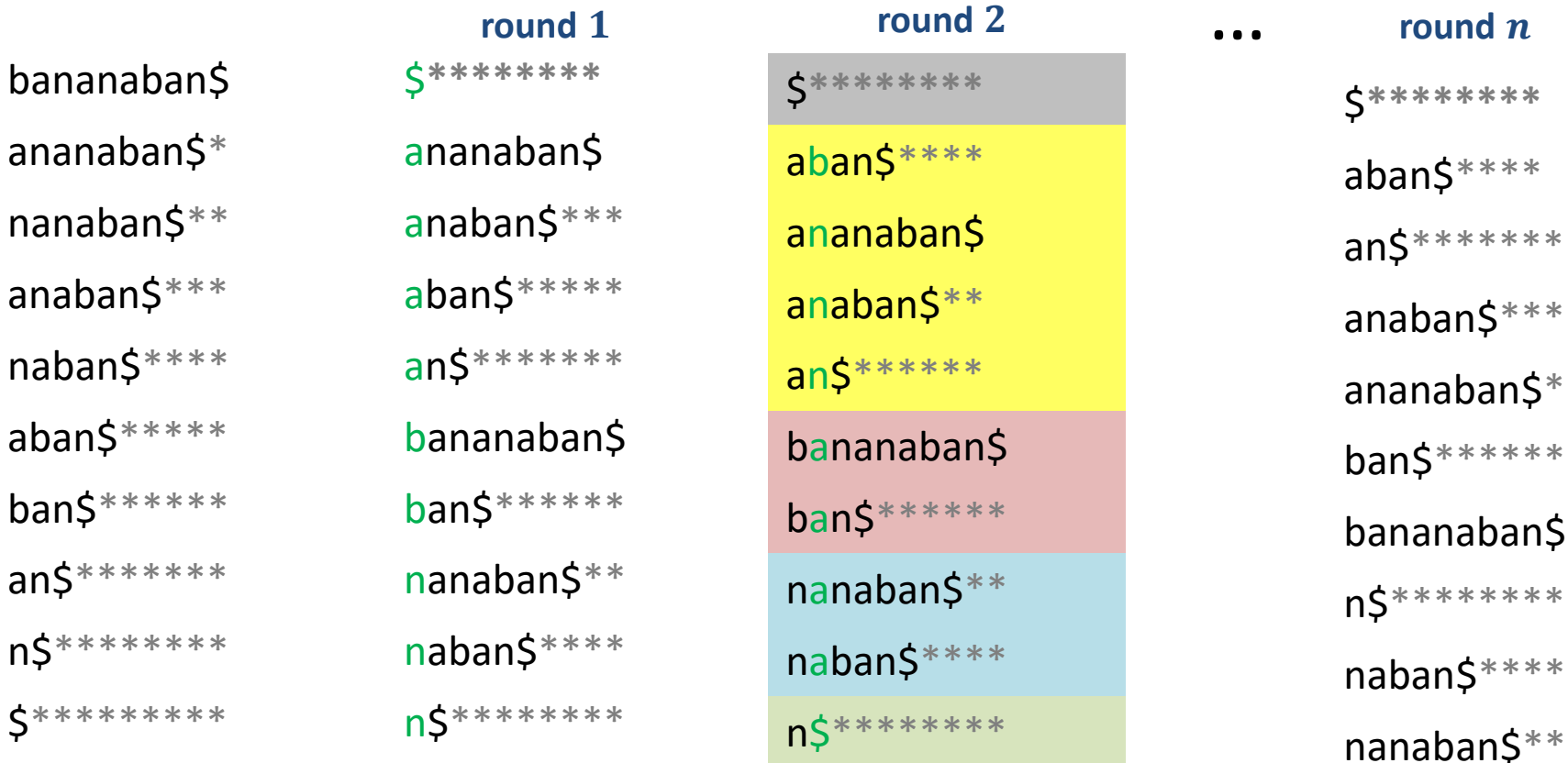


# Suffix Array Construction

$T =$ 

<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
b	a	n	a	n	a	b	a	n	\$

- Easy to construct using MSD-Radix-Sort (pad with any character to get the same length)



- Fast in practice, suffixes are unlikely to share many leading characters
- But worst case run-time is  $\Theta(n^2)$ 
  - $n$  rounds of recursion, each round takes  $\Theta(n)$  time (bucket sort)



# Suffix Array Construction

- Idea: we do not need  $n$  rounds
  - $\Theta(\log n)$  rounds enough  $\rightarrow \Theta(n \log n)$  run time
- Construction-algorithm
  - MSD-radix sort plus some bookkeeping
    - needs only one extra array
    - easy to implement
  - details are covered in an algorithms course



# Pattern Matching in Suffix Arrays

- Suffix array stores suffixes (implicitly) in sorted order
- Idea: apply binary search

P = ban

	j	$A^s[j]$	
$l \rightarrow$	0	9	\$
	1	5	aban\$
	2	7	an\$
	3	3	anaban\$
$v \rightarrow$	4	1	anaban\$
	5	6	ban\$
	6	0	banaban\$
	7	8	n\$
	8	4	naban\$
$r \rightarrow$	9	2	nanaban\$





# Pattern Matching in Suffix Arrays

- Suffix array stores suffixes (implicitly) in sorted order
- Idea: apply binary search

P = ban

	<b>j</b>	<b><math>A^s[j]</math></b>	
	0	9	\$
	1	5	aban\$
	2	7	an\$
	3	3	anaban\$
	4	1	ananaban\$
<i>l</i> →	5	6	ban\$
	6	0	bananaban\$
<i>v</i> →	7	8	n\$
	8	4	naban\$
<i>r</i> →	9	2	nanaban\$



# Pattern Matching in Suffix Arrays

- Suffix array stores suffixes (implicitly) in sorted order
- Idea: apply binary search

P = ban

$v = l \rightarrow$

$r \rightarrow$

j	$A^s[j]$	
0	9	\$
1	5	aban\$
2	7	an\$
3	3	anaban\$
4	1	ananaban\$
5	6	ban\$ found!
6	0	bananaban\$
7	8	n\$
8	4	naban\$
9	2	nanaban\$

- $\Theta(\log n)$  comparisons
- Each comparison is  $\text{strcmp}(P, T[A^s[v] \dots A^s[v + m - 1]])$
- $\Theta(m)$  per comparison  $\Rightarrow$  run-time is  $\Theta(m \log n)$



# Pattern Matching in Suffix Arrays

*SuffixArray-Search*( $A^S[j]$ ,  $P[0 \dots m - 1]$ ,  $T$ )

$A^S$ : suffix array of  $T$ ,  $P$ : pattern

$l \leftarrow 0, r \leftarrow n - 1$

**while**  $l < r$

$v \leftarrow \left\lfloor \frac{l+r}{2} \right\rfloor$

$i \leftarrow A^S[v]$

// assume *strcmp* handles out of bounds suitably

$s \leftarrow \text{strcmp}(T[i \dots i + m - 1], P)$

**if** ( $s < 0$ ) **do**  $l \leftarrow v + 1$

**else** ( $s > 0$ ) **do**  $r \leftarrow v - 1$

**else return** 'found at guess  $T[i \dots i + m - 1]$ '

**if** *strcmp*( $P, T[A^S[l], A^S[l] + m - 1]$ )

**return** 'found at guess  $T[l \dots l + m - 1]$ '

**return** **FAIL**



# Outline

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# String Matching Conclusion

	Brute Force	KR	BM	KMP	Suffix Trees	Suffix Array
preproc.	—	$O(m)$	$O(m +  \Sigma )$	$O(m)$	$O( \Sigma n^2)$ $\rightarrow O( \Sigma n)$	$O(n \log n)$ $\rightarrow O(n)$
search time (preproc excluded)	$O(nm)$	$O(n + m)$ expected	$O(n)$ often better	$O(n)$	$O(m)$	$O(m \log n)$
extra space	—	$O(1)$	$O(m +  \Sigma )$	$O(m)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$

- Algorithms stop once they found one occurrence
- Most of them can be adapted to find *all* occurrences within the same worst-case run-time

