# Knuth-Morris-Pratt (KMP) Algorithm

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## STRING SEARCH ALGORITHM



string-searching algorithms called string-matching algorithms



an important class of String algorithm



try to find a place where one or several Strings(also called patterns) are found within a larger string or text

#### INTRODUCTION



#### **Knuth-Morris and Pratt introduce**



solution to the string search problem



keeps a track of the comparison of characters between main text and pattern,



**Pattern-text** 

#### INTRODUCTION



The implementation of Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm is efficient because it minimizes the total number of comparisons of the pattern against the input string.



The running time of the KMP algorithm is optimal (O(m + n)), which is very fast.

#### INTRODUCTION

Doesn't work so well as the size of the alphabets increases. By which more chances of mismatch occurs.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

Checking for Plagiarism in documents etc

Bioinformatics and DNA sequencing

Digital libraries

Spelling checkers

**APPLICATIONS** 

Spam

Spam filters

Search engines, or for searching content in large databases

Word

Word processors

#### COMPONENTS OF KMP ALGORITHM

Prefix Function KMP Matcher

# Prefix Function



THE PREFIX FUNCTION (Π):



Π FOR A PATTERN ENCAPSULATES KNOWLEDGE



HOW THE PATTERN
MATCHES AGAINST THE
SHIFT OF ITSELF.



THIS INFORMATION USED TO AVOID A USELESS SHIFT OF THE PATTERN 'P.'

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COMPUTE- PREFIX- FUNCTION (P)
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**Step 1:** q = 2, k = 0

$$\Pi[2] = 0$$

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
р	a	b	a	b	a	С	а
π	0	0					

**Step 2:** q = 3, k = 0

$$\Pi$$
 [3] = 1

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
р	a	b	a	b	a	C	a
π	0	0	1				

**Step3:** q =4, k =1

$$\Pi[4] = 2$$

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
р	a	b	a	b	a	C	A
π	0	0	1	2			

**Step4:** q = 5, k =2

$$\Pi$$
 [5] = 3

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
р	a	b	a	b	a	C	a
π	0	0	1	2	3		

**Step5:** q = 6, k = 3

$$\Pi$$
 [6] = 0

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
р	a	b	a	b	a	C	а
π	0	0	1	2	3	0	

**Step6:** q = 7, k = 1

$$\Pi$$
 [7] = 1

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
р	a	b	a	b	a	C	a
π	0	0	1	2	3	0	1

Computation Complete

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
р	a	b	Α	b	a	C	a
П	0	0	1	2	3	0	1

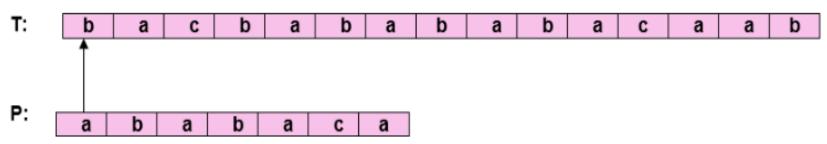
The KMP Matcher with the pattern 'p,' the string 'S' and prefix function 'Π' as input, finds a match of p in S

by 'p' the prefix function was computed previously and is as following;

q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
p	a	b	A	b	a	С	a
Π	0	0	1	2	3	0	1

Step1: i=1, q=0

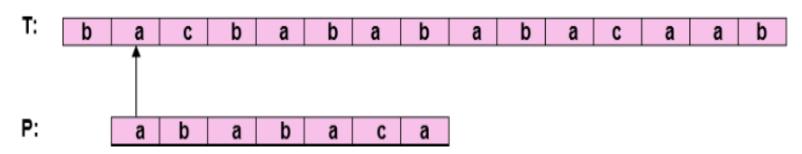
Comparing P [1] with T [1]



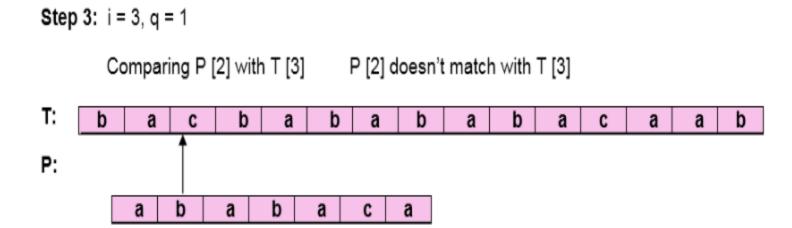
P [1] does not match with T [1]. 'p' will be shifted one position to the right.

**Step2:** i = 2, q = 0

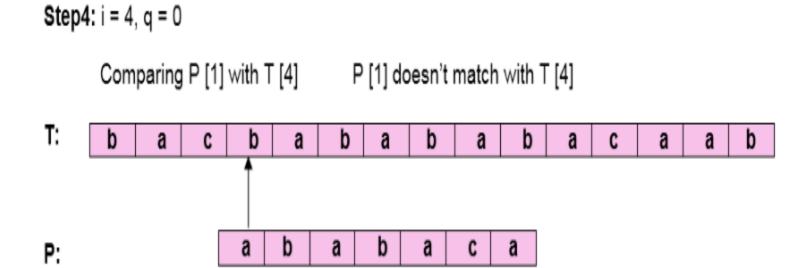
Comparing P [1] with T [2]

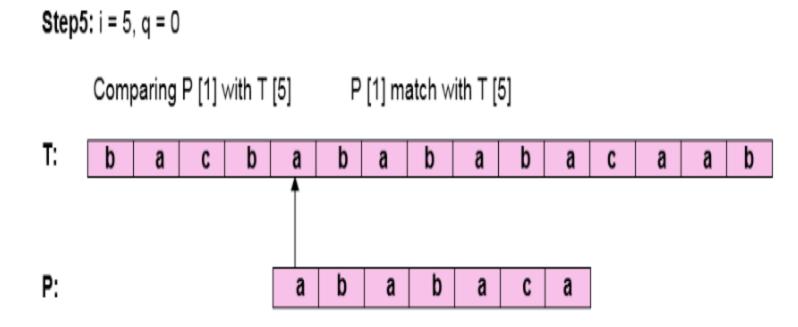


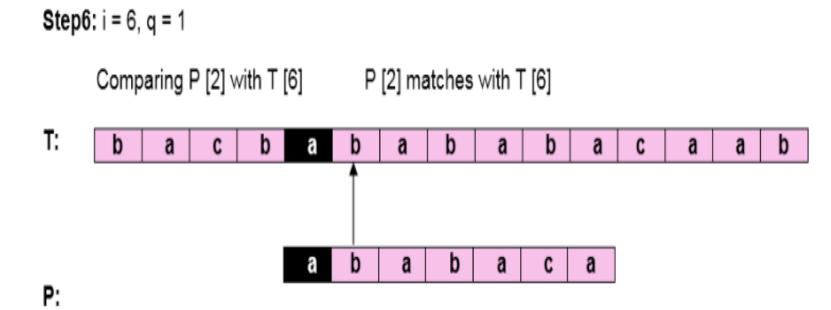
P [1] matches T [2]. Since there is a match, p is not shifted.

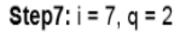


Backtracking on p, Comparing P [1] and T [3]

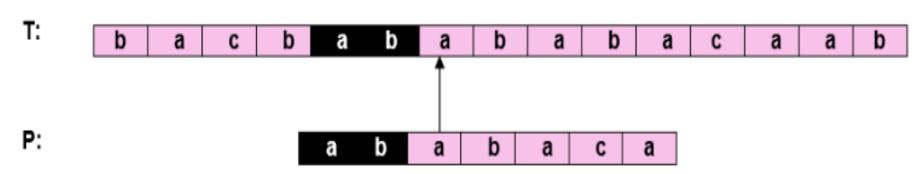


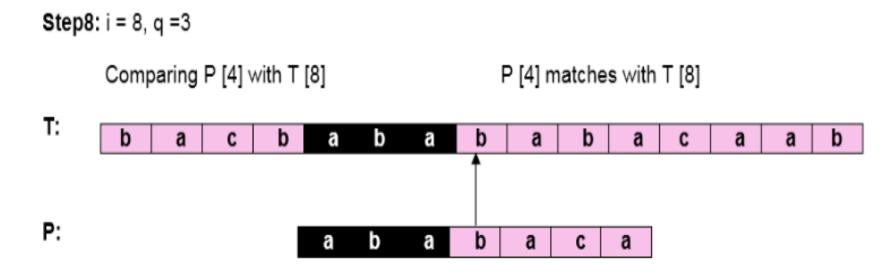


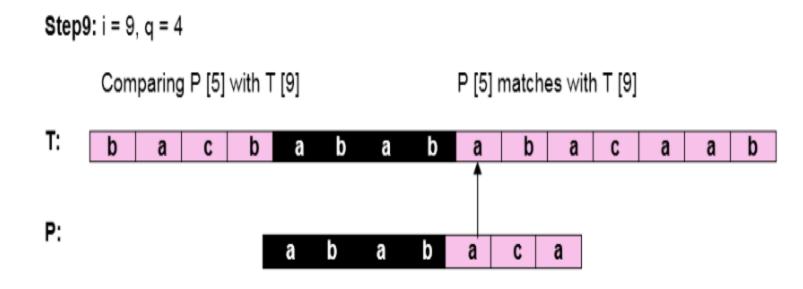


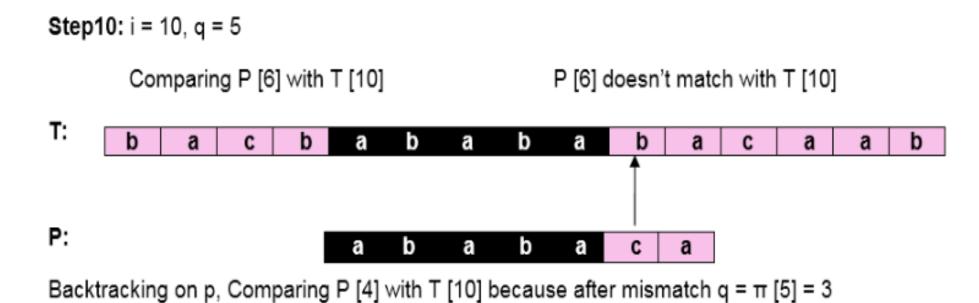


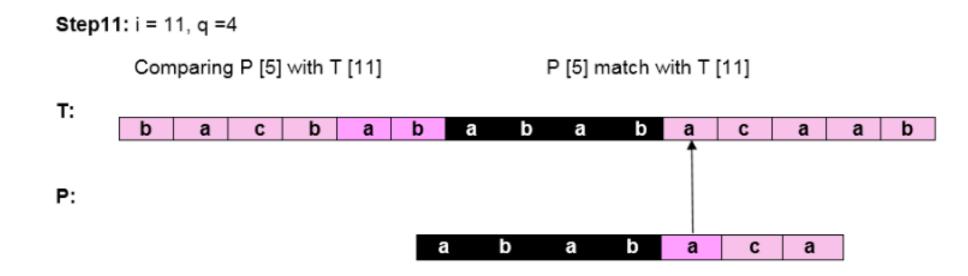
Comparing P [3] with T [7] P [3] matches with T [7]

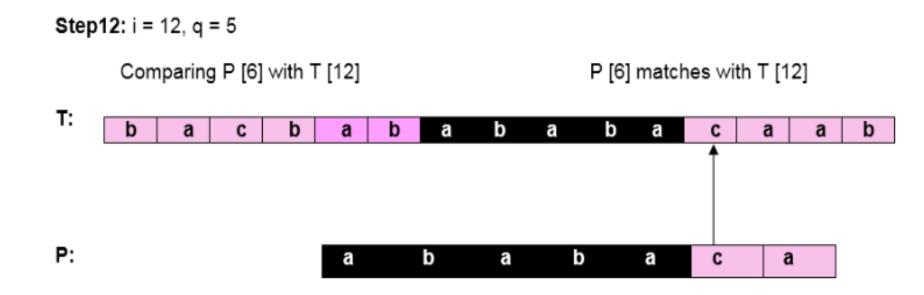


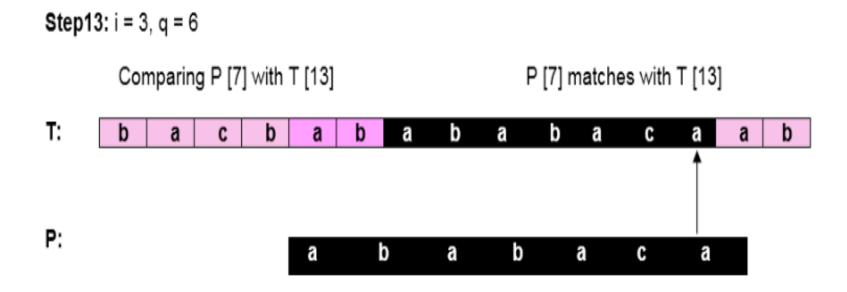












- Pattern 'P' has been found to complexity occur in a string 'T.'
- ▶ The total number of shifts that took place for the match to be found is i-m = 13 7 = 6 shifts

## TIME COMPLEXITY

- Time Complexity
- The time complexity of KMP algorithm is O(n) in the worst case.

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txt[] = "AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAB"
pat[] = "AAAAB"
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# THE END