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Workshop exercises: Week 4

Suppose that we have observed the token **lended**, and we have a dictionary as follows:

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addendum
blenders
commodity
deaden
end
leader
leant
lent
lemonade
pleading
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1. With respect to the input string **lended** and the dictionary entry **deaden**, calculate the following:
 - (a) the Global Edit Distance, using the parameter $[m, i, d, r] = [+1, -1, -1, -1]$
 - (b) the Local Edit Distance, using the parameter $[m, i, d, r] = [+1, -1, -1, -1]$
 - (c) the N-Gram Distance, using $n = 2$
2. Find the best approximate match (or matches, if there are ties) in the dictionary for the string **lended**, based on the following methods; consider different parameters where necessary:
 - (a) the Global Edit Distance
 - (b) the Local Edit Distance
 - (c) the N-Gram Distance
 - (d) Soundex
3. Assuming that the “correct” (intended) dictionary entry was **lent**, calculate the precision of the following methods of finding approximate entries from the dictionary.
 - (a) Neighbourhood search, with a neighbourhood of 1
 - (b) Neighbourhood search, with a neighbourhood of 2
 - (c) Neighbourhood search, with a neighbourhood of 3
 - (d) Global Edit Distance, with a parameter $[m, i, d, r] = [1, -1, -1, -1]$
 - (e) Local Edit Distance, with a parameter $[m, i, d, r] = [1, -1, -1, -1]$
 - (f) N-gram Distance, where n is 2 (and padding with terminals)
 - (g) Using the Soundex transformation, and then looking for exact matches
 - (h) Using the Soundex transformation, and then permitting a 1-neighbourhood