1E Find Patterns Forming Clumps in a String

Clump Finding Problem

Find patterns forming clumps in a string.

Input: A DNA string *Genome*, and integers *k*, *L*, and *t*.

Output: All distinct *k*-mers forming (*L*, *t*)-clumps in *Genome*.

aggtccTGCAATGCATGAAGCCTGCAtgtt

Formatting

Input: A DNA string *Genome* followed by space-separated integers *k*, *L*, and *t*.

Output: A space-separated list of strings containing all distinct k-mers forming (L, t)-clumps in *Genome*.

Constraints

- The length of *Genome* will be between 1 and 10^4 .
- The integer k will be between 1 and 10^1 .
- The integer L will be between 1 and 10^3 .
- The integer t will be between 1 and 10^2 .
- *Genome* will be a DNA string.

Test Cases

Case 1

Description: The sample dataset is not actually run on your code.

Input:

5 75 4

Output:

CGACA GAAGA AATGT

Case 2

Description: This dataset makes sure that your code only counts k-mers that fall *completely* within a given L-window. For example, take the 4-window starting at index 4 (AAAACGTCGAAAAA). One might think that the 2-mer CG occurs twice in this window since the first letter of the second occurrence happens at the very end of the window. However, since the second occurrence of CG does not fall entirely in this 4-window, it does not count. Thus, the only result is AA.

Input:

AAAACGTCGAAAAA 2 4 2

Output:

AA

Case 3

Description: This dataset checks if your code has an off-by-one error when checking k-mers within an L-window. Notice that, for each 1-mer (A, C, G, and T), there are 3 nucleotides between the first and second occurrence. In other words, each nucleotide occurs twice in a specific 5-window: once at the beginning of the 5-window, and once at the end: \mathbf{A} CGT \mathbf{A} CGT \mathbf{A} CGT \mathbf{A} CGT \mathbf{A} CGT $\mathbf{$

Input:

ACGTACGT
1 5 2

Output:

ACGT

Case 4

Description: This dataset checks if your code is correctly handling overlapping k-mers. For example, ATA forms a (5, 2)-clump in CCCATATACCC (CCC**ATATA**CCC and CCCAT**ATACC**C).

Input:

CCACGCGGTGTACGCTGCAAAAAGCCTTGCTGAATCAAATAAGGTTCCAGCACATCCTCAATGGTTTCAC...
...GTTCTTCGCCAATGGCTGCCGCCAGGTTATCCAGACCTACAGGTCCACCAAAGAACTTATCGATTAC...
...CGCCAGCAACAATTTGCGGTCCATATAATCGAAACCTTCAGCATCGACATTCAACATATCCAGCG
3 25 3

Output:

AAA CAG CAT GCC TTC

Case 5

Description: A larger dataset of the same size as that provided by the randomized autograder. Check input/output folders for this dataset.