$$P \qquad P_1 \qquad P_2$$

Let S be a substring of T.

If there exists a suffix  $S_2$  of S and a suffix  $P_2$  of P such that

 $d(S_2, P_2) = 1$ , and  $d(S_1, P_1) \le k-1$ , we have  $d(S, P) \le k$ .