A Fast Generic Sequence Matching Algorithm

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Abstract

A string matching—and more generally, sequence matching—algorithm is presented that has a linear worst-case computing time bound, a low worst-case bound on the number of comparisons (2n), and sublinear average-case behavior that is better than that of the fastest versions of the Boyer-Moore algorithm. The algorithm retains its efficiency advantages in a wide variety of sequence matching problems of practical interest, including traditional string matching; large-alphabet problems (as in Unicode strings); and small-alphabet, long-pattern problems (as in DNA searches). Since it is expressed as a generic algorithm for searching in sequences over an arbitrary type T, it is well suited for use in generic software libraries such as the C++ Standard Template Library. The algorithm was obtained by adding to the Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm one of the pattern-shifting techniques from the Boyer-Moore algorithm, with provision for use of hashing in this technique. In situations in which a hash function or random access to the sequences is not available, the algorithm falls back to an optimized version of the Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm.

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1 Introduction

The traditional string matching problem is to find an occurrence of a pattern (a string) in a text (another string), or to decide that none exists. Two of the best known algorithms for the problem of string matching are the Knuth-Morris-Pratt [KMP77] and Boyer-Moore [BM77] algorithms (for short, we will refer to these as KMP and BM). Although KMP has a low worst-case bound on number of comparisons (2n, where n is the length of the text), it is often considered impractical, since the number of comparisons it performs in the average case is not significantly smaller than that of the straightforward (SF) algorithm [Sm82], and the overhead for initialization is higher. On the other hand, despite the fact that BM has a higher worst-case bound on the number of comparisons ($\approx 3n$ [Cole96]), it has excellent sublinear behavior in the average case. This fact often makes BM the algorithm of choice in practical applications.

In [BM77], Boyer and Moore described both a basic version of their algorithm and an optimized version based on use of a "skip loop." We will refer to the latter algorithm as Accelerated Boyer-Moore, or ABM for short. Unfortunately, this version remained unnoticed by most researchers despite its much better performance. For example, ABM outperforms the Quick Search [Su90] and Boyer-Moore-Horspool [Horspool88] improvements of the basic BM algorithm. This state of affairs was highlighted by Hume and Sunday in 1991 in [HS91], in which they introduced two algorithms, LC (least cost) and TBM (Tuned BM) [HS91], that perform faster than ABM in the average case. These two algorithms use the skip loop of ABM combined with variants of the straightforward algorithm that use information on character frequency distribution in the target text. For traditional string matching LC and TBM have excellent average case behavior, but in the worst case they behave like SF, taking time proportional to the product of the text and pattern lengths.

Even in the average case, the skip loop as it is used in ABM and other algorithms performs poorly with small alphabets and long patterns, as happens, for example, in the problem of DNA pattern matching. And if the alphabet is large, as for example with Unicode strings, initialization overhead and memory requirements for the skip loop weigh against its use.

This article describes a new linear string-matching algorithm and its generalization to searching in sequences over an arbitrary type T. The algorithm is based on KMP and has the same low 2n worst-case bound on number of comparisons, but it is better than ABM (comparable with TBM) in average case performance on English text strings. It employs a hash-coded form of the skip loop making it suitable even for cases with large alphabets or with small alphabets and long patterns. Since it is expressed as a generic algorithm for searching in sequences over an arbitrary type T, the new algorithm is well suited for use in generic software libraries such as the C++ Standard Template Library (STL). We present the algorithm in the following sections by starting with the basic KMP algorithm and transforming it with optimizations and addition of the skip loop in several alternative forms. The optimized form of KMP without the skip loop also serves well in cases in which access to the sequences is restricted to forward, one-element-at-a-time iteration rather than random-access. We also discuss experimental results and some of the issues in including the new algorithm in a generic algorithm library.

2 Linear and Accelerated Linear Algorithms

Let $m \geq a \geq 0$ and $n \geq b \geq 0$ and suppose $p_a \dots p_{m-1}$ is a pattern of size m-a to be searched for in the text $t_b \dots t_{m-1}$ of size n-b. Characters of the pattern and the text are drawn from an alphabet Σ . The Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm can be viewed as an extension of the straightforward search algorithm. It starts comparing symbols of the pattern and the text from left to the right. However, when a mismatch occurs, instead of shifting the pattern by one symbol and repeating matching from the beginning of the pattern, KMP shifts the pattern to the right in such a way that the scan can be restarted at the point of mismatch

in the text. The amount of shift is determined by precomputed function next, defined by

$$\mathtt{next}(j) = \max_{i < j} \{ i | p_a \dots p_{i-1} = p_{a+j-i} \dots p_{j-1} \land p_i \neq p_j \}$$

(We let next(j) = a - 1 if there is no *i* satisfying the conditions.) Here is the basic KMP algorithm as it appeared in [KMP77], except that we use more general index ranges:¹

Used in part 23c.

A return value i between b and n — pattern_size indicates a match found beginning at position i, while a return value of n means there was no match. Although elegantly short, this algorithm does redundant operations along the expected execution path. That is, text(k) is usually not equal to pattern(j) and next(j) is usually a-1, so the inner loop usually sets j to a-1, redundantly tests it against a, and terminates. k and j are then both incremented and tested against their bounds, then j is again redundantly compared with a. Knuth, Morris, and Pratt discussed a set of optimizations to the basic algorithm that required extending the text and pattern with additional characters, which is possible only under extra assumptions about the way the inputs are stored. We must avoid such assumptions when the goal is a generic algorithm. Instead, we eliminate the redundant operations by rewriting the algorithm in the following form, which we will call Algorithm L (for Linear) in this paper:

```
⟨Algorithm L, optimized linear pattern search 2b⟩ ≡
   pattern_size := m - a; k := b;
   ⟨Handle pattern size = 1 as a special case 3a⟩
   while k <= n - pattern_size loop
   ⟨Scan the text for a possible match 3b⟩
   ⟨Verify whether a match is possible at the position found 3c⟩
   ⟨Recover from a mismatch using the next table 3d⟩
   end loop;
   return n;</pre>
Used in part 23c.
```

¹Although most authors use pseudocode for expository purposes, we prefer to be able to check all code with a compiler. The expository versions of algorithms in this paper are expressed in Ada 95, which has a syntax similar to that of most pseudocode languages (at least if one omits the details of subprogram headers and package declarations, which we include only in an appendix that deals with actual compilation of the code). The generic library components developed later in the paper are written in C++. Throughout the paper we present expository and production code in a variant of Knuth's literate programming style [Knuth84], in which code is presented in "parts" numbered according to the page number on which they appear (with parts on the same page distinguished by appending a letter to the number). This form of presentation is supported by Briggs' Nuweb tool [Briggs] (slightly modified, as discussed in a later section), with which we also generate all code files directly from the paper's source file.

The following code allows us to eliminate a test in the main loop:

 $\langle \text{Handle pattern size} = 1 \text{ as a special case } 3a \rangle \equiv$

if pattern_size = 1 then

```
while k \neq n and then text(k) \neq pattern(a) loop
          k := k + 1;
        end loop;
        return k;
      end if;
Used in parts 2b, 5a, 7a, 11, 23c.
The three parts of the body of the main loop are defined as follows:
\langle Scan the text for a possible match 3b \rangle \equiv
      while text(k) /= pattern(a) loop
       k := k + 1;
        if k > n - pattern_size then
          return n;
        end if;
      end loop;
Used in parts 2b, 23c.
(Verify whether a match is possible at the position found 3c) \equiv
      j := a + 1; k := k + 1;
      while text(k) = pattern(j) loop
       k := k + 1; j := j + 1;
        if j = m then
          return k - pattern_size;
        end if;
      end loop;
Used in parts 2b, 23c.
\langle \text{Recover from a mismatch using the next table 3d} \rangle \equiv
      loop
        j := next(j);
        if j < a then
           k := k + 1; exit;
        end if;
        exit when j = a;
        while text(k) = pattern(j) loop
          k := k + 1; j := j + 1;
          if j = m then
            return k - pattern_size;
          end if;
          if k = n then
            return n;
          end if;
        end loop;
      end loop;
Used in parts 2b, 5a.
```

This last part guarantees linear worst-case behavior. Notice that if we simply replace the last part with the code k := k - (j - a) + 1 we obtain (an optimized form of) the straight-

forward algorithm.

Algorithm L can be further improved by incorporating a skip loop similar to the one that accounts for the excellent sublinear average time behavior of ABM. The idea of this technique is demonstrated in the following pair of examples:

```
Text: .....uuuuuuuuuu.... .....uuuuuuuuuue....

Before Shift: bcdabcdabcd bcdabcdabcd

After Shift: bcdabcdabcd bcdabcdabcd
```

We inspect the text character t_j that corresponds to the last character of the pattern, and if $t_j \neq p_{m-1}$ we shift the pattern by the amount determined by the skip function, which maps any character of the alphabet to the range [0, m-a] and is defined as follows:

$$\mathtt{skip}(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} m-a & \text{if } \forall j: a \leq j < m \Rightarrow p_j \neq x \\ m-1-i & \text{otherwise, where } i = \max\{j: a \leq j < m \land p_j = x\} \end{array} \right.$$

This is the same function as Boyer and Moore's δ_1 [BM77]. The following code replaces the scan part of Algorithm L:

```
⟨Scan the text using the skip loop 4a⟩ ≡
loop
d := skip(text(k + pattern_size - 1));
exit when d = 0;
k := k + d;
if k > n - pattern_size then
return n;
end if;
end loop;
```

Used in part 5a.

If the exit is taken from this loop then $text(k + pattern_size - 1) = pattern(m - 1)$. We also change the verifying part of Algorithm L to the following:

```
\begin{split} \langle \text{Verify the match for positions a through m - 2 4b} \rangle \equiv \\ j &:= a; \\ \text{while text(k) = pattern(j) loop} \\ k &:= k + 1; \ j := j + 1; \\ \text{if } j &= m - 1 \text{ then} \\ &\quad \text{return k - pattern\_size + 1;} \\ \text{end if;} \\ \text{end loop;} \end{split}
```

Used in part 5a.

The algorithm incorporating these changes will be called the Accelerated Linear algorithm, or AL for short. In preliminary form, the algorithm is as follows:

```
⟨Accelerated Linear algorithm, preliminary version 5a⟩ ≡
   pattern_size := m - a; k := b;
   ⟨Handle pattern size = 1 as a special case 3a⟩
   ⟨Compute next table 26a⟩
   ⟨Compute skip table and mismatch shift 5b⟩
   while k <= n - pattern_size loop
   ⟨Scan the text using the skip loop 4a⟩
   ⟨Verify the match for positions a through m - 2 4b⟩
   if mismatch_shift > j - a then
        k := k + (mismatch_shift - (j - a));
   else
        ⟨Recover from a mismatch using the next table 3d⟩
   end if;
end loop;
return n;
```

Used in part 24c.

Following the verification part, we know that the last character of the pattern and corresponding character of the text are equal, so we can choose whether to proceed to the recovery part that uses the next table or to shift the pattern by the amount mismatch_shift, predefined as

```
\texttt{mismatch\_shift} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} m-a & \text{if } \forall j: a \leq j < m-1 \Rightarrow p_j \neq p_{m-1} \\ m-1-i & \text{otherwise, where } i = \max\{j: a \leq j < m-1 \land p_j = p_{m-1}\} \end{array} \right.
```

This value can be most easily computed if it is done during the computation of the skip table:

```
⟨Compute skip table and mismatch shift 5b⟩ ≡
   for i in Character'Range loop
      skip(i) := pattern_size;
   end loop;
   for j in a .. m - 2 loop
      skip(pattern(j)) := m - 1 - j;
   end loop;
   mismatch_shift := skip(pattern(m - 1));
   skip(pattern(m - 1)) := 0;
```

Used in parts 5a, 7a.

The skip loop as described above performs two tests for exit during each iteration. As suggested in [BM77], we can eliminate one of the tests by initializing skip(pattern(m-1)) to some value large, chosen large enough to force an exit based on the size of the index. Upon exit, we can then perform another test to distinguish whether a match of a text character with the last pattern character was found or the pattern was shifted off the end of the text string. We also add pattern_size - 1 to k outside the loop and precompute adjustment = large + pattern_size - 1.

```
⟨Scan the text using a single-test skip loop 6a⟩ ≡
loop
    k := k + skip(text(k));
    exit when k >= n;
end loop;
if k < n + pattern_size then
    return n;
end if;
k := k - adjustment;</pre>
```

Not used.

Used in part 7a.

We can further optimize the skip loop by translating k by n (by writing k := k - n before the main loop), which allows the exit test to be written as $k \ge 0$.

```
\langle Scan \; the \; text \; using \; a \; single-test \; skip \; loop, \; with \; k \; translated \; 6b \rangle \equiv \\ loop \\ k := k + skip(text(n + k)); \\ exit \; when \; k >= 0; \\ end \; loop; \\ if \; k < pattern_size \; then \\ return \; n; \\ end \; if; \\ k := k - adjustment; \\ \end{cases}
```

This saves an instruction over testing $k \ge n$, and a good compiler will compile text(n + k) with only one instruction in the loop since the computation of text + n can be moved outside. (In the C++ version we make sure of this optimization by putting it in the source code.) With this form of the skip loop, some compilers are able to translate it into only three instructions.

How large is large? At the top of the loop we have

```
k \ge b - n + pattern\_size - 1.
```

In the case in which k is incremented by large, we must have

```
large + b - n + pattern\_size - 1 \ge pattern\_size.
```

Hence it suffices to choose large = n - b + 1.

```
\langle Accelerated Linear algorithm 7a \rangle \equiv
      pattern_size := m - a; text_size := n - b; k := b;
      \langle \text{Handle pattern size} = 1 \text{ as a special case } 3a \rangle
      (Compute next table 26a)
      (Compute skip table and mismatch shift 5b)
      large := text_size + 1;
      skip(pattern(m - 1)) := large;
      adjustment := large + pattern_size - 1;
     k := k - n;
     loop
        k := k + pattern_size - 1;
        exit when k \ge 0;
        (Scan the text using a single-test skip loop, with k translated 6b)
         (Verify match or recover from mismatch 7b)
      end loop;
     return n;
```

Used in part 23c.

We can also optimize the verification of a match by handling as a special case the frequently occurring case in which the first characters do not match.

```
\begin{split} &\langle Verify \; match \; or \; recover \; from \; mismatch \; 7b\rangle \equiv \\ &\quad \text{if } \; text(n + k) \; / = \; pattern(a) \; then \\ &\quad k \; := \; k \; + \; mismatch\_shift; \\ &\quad \text{else} \\ &\quad \langle Verify \; the \; match \; for \; positions \; a \; + \; 1 \; through \; m \; - \; 1, \; with \; k \; translated \; 7c\rangle \\ &\quad \text{if } \; mismatch\_shift \; > \; j \; - \; a \; then \\ &\quad k \; := \; k \; + \; (mismatch\_shift \; - \; (j \; - \; a)); \\ &\quad \text{else} \\ &\quad \langle Recover \; from \; a \; mismatch \; using \; the \; next \; table, \; with \; k \; translated \; 8\rangle \\ &\quad \text{end } \; \text{if}; \\ &\quad \text{end } \; \text{if}; \end{split}
```

Used in parts 7a, 11.

Used in part 7b.

The verification loop used here doesn't really need to check position m-1, but we write it that way in preparation for the hashed version to be described later.

```
\begin{split} \langle & \text{Verify the match for positions a} + 1 \text{ through m - 1, with } k \text{ translated } 7c \rangle \equiv \\ & \text{j := a + 1;} \\ & \text{loop} \\ & \text{k := k + 1;} \\ & \text{exit when text(n + k) /= pattern(j);} \\ & \text{j := j + 1;} \\ & \text{if j = m then} \\ & \text{return n + k - pattern\_size + 1;} \\ & \text{end if;} \\ & \text{end loop;} \end{split}
```

```
\langle \text{Recover from a mismatch using the next table, with k translated } 8 \rangle \equiv
       j := next(j);
       if j < a then
           k := k + 1;
           exit:
       end if;
       exit when j = a;
       while text(n + k) = pattern(j) loop
          k := k + 1; j := j + 1;
          if j = m then
            return n + k - pattern_size;
          end if;
          if k = 0 then
            return n;
          end if;
       end loop;
     end loop;
```

Used in part 7b.

The AL algorithm thus obtained retains the same 2n upper case bound on the number of comparisons as the original KMP algorithm and acquires sublinear average time behavior equal or superior to ABM.

3 Benchmarking with English Texts

Before generalizing AL by introducing a hash function, let us consider its use as-is for traditional string matching. We benchmarked five algorithms with English text searches: a C++ version of SF used in the Hewlett-Packard STL implementation; L and AL in their C++ versions as given later in the paper and appendices; and the C versions of ABM [BM77] and TBM as given by Hume and Sunday [HS91]. (The version of AL actually used is the hashed version, HAL, discussed in the next section, but using the identity function as the hash function.)

We searched for patterns of size ranging from 2 to 18 in Lewis Carroll's *Through the Looking Glass*. The text is composed of 171,556 characters, and the test set included up to 800 different patterns for each pattern size—400 text strings chosen at evenly spaced positions in the target text and up to 400 words chosen from the Unix spell-check dictionary (for longer pattern sizes there were fewer than 400 words). Table 1 shows search speeds of the five algorithms with code compiled and executed on three different systems:

- 1. g++ compiler, version 2.7.2.2, 60-Mh Pentium processor;
- 2. SGI CC compiler, version 7.10, SGI O² with MIPS R5000 2.1 processor;
- 3. Apogee apCC compiler, version 3.0, 200 MHz UltraSPARC processor.

These results show that HAL, ABM, and TBM are quite close in performance and are substantially better than the SF or L algorithms. On System 1, TBM is slightly faster than HAL on the longer strings, but not enough to outweigh two significant drawbacks: first, like SF, it takes $\Omega(mn)$ time in the worst case; and, second, it achieves its slightly better average case performance through the use of character frequency distribution information that might need to be changed in applications of the algorithm other than English text searches. For both of these reasons, TBM is not a good candidate for inclusion in a library of generic algorithms.

For more machine independent performance measures, we show in a later section the number of operations per character searched, for various kinds of operations.

Pattern	Algorithm	System 1	System 2	System 3
Size				
2	ABM	8.89665	24.6946	32.9261
	$_{ m HAL}$	8.26117	24.6946	32.9261
	${ m L}$	6.08718	24.6946	32.9261
	SF	4.28357	9.87784	24.6946
	TBM	10.5142	32.9261	32.9261
4	ABM	20.4425	46.7838	68.9446
	$_{ m HAL}$	23.3995	51.0369	83.6137
	${ m L}$	6.52724	27.8712	38.9093
	SF	4.29622	9.84923	23.3919
	TBM	21.2602	49.123	71.4517
6	ABM	28.1637	60.2832	89.4829
	$_{ m HAL}$	31.2569	63.6323	108.055
	L	6.45279	27.4015	37.9265
	SF	4.28142	9.84005	22.1973
	TBM	29.2294	62.249	93.8837
8	ABM	33.7463	69.2828	106.674
	$_{ m HAL}$	37.0999	73.0482	126.801
	L	6.34086	26.6684	36.5241
	SF	4.23323	9.78229	22.0342
	TBM	35.3437	72.2627	112.007
10	ABM	39.6329	76.2308	117.47
	$_{ m HAL}$	42.5986	80.5134	135.202
	L	6.32525	26.6383	36.1904
	SF	4.22537	9.74924	21.9134
	TBM	41.1973	78.7439	125.714
14	ABM	47.7986	89.1214	129.631
	$_{ m HAL}$	49.8997	92.9962	147.511
	${ m L}$	6.22037	25.9262	33.6837
	SF	4.189	9.72233	21.1774
	TBM	49.3573	92.9962	142.594
18	ABM	50.1514	97.859	141.352
	$_{ m HAL}$	50.1514	101.773	159.021
	${ m L}$	5.86185	24.7023	31.4115
	SF	4.05173	9.63763	21.0275
	TBM	51.2912	97.859	149.667

Table 1: Algorithm Speed (Characters Per Microsecond) in English Text Searches on Three Systems

4 Hashed Accelerated Linear Algorithm

The skip loop produces a dramatic effect on the algorithm, when we search for a word or a phrase in an ordinary English text or in the text in some other natural or programming language with a mid-sized alphabet (26-256 characters, say). However, algorithms that use this technique are dependent on the alphabet size. In case of a large alphabet, the result is increased storage requirements and overhead for initialization of the occurrence table. Secondary effects are also possible due to architectural reasons such as cache performance. Performance of the skip loop is also diminished in cases in which the pattern size is much greater than the size of the alphabet. A good example of this case is searching for DNA patterns, which could be relatively long, say 250 characters, whereas the alphabet contains only four characters. In this section we show how to generalize the skip loop to handle such adverse cases.

The key idea of the generalization is to apply a hash function to the current position in the text to obtain an argument for the skip function.

```
⟨Scan the text using a single-test skip loop with hashing 10a⟩ ≡
loop
    k := k + skip(hash(text, n + k));
    exit when k >= 0;
end loop;
if k < pattern_size then
    return n;
end if;
k := k - adjustment;</pre>
Used in part 11.
```

We have seen that the skip loop works well when the cardinality of domain of the skip function is of moderate size, say $\sigma=256$, as it is in most conventional string searches. When used with sequences over a type T with large (even infinite) cardinality, hash can be chosen so that it maps T values to the range $[0,\sigma)$. Conversely, if the cardinality of T is smaller than σ , we can use more than one element of the text sequence to compute the hash value in order to obtain σ distinct values. In the context in which the skip loop appears, we always have available at least pattern_size elements; whenever pattern_size is too small to yield σ different hash values, we can either make do with fewer values or resort to an algorithm that does not use a skip loop, such as Algorithm L. (The skip loop is not very effective for small pattern lengths anyway.)

Of course, the skip table itself and the mismatch shift value must be computed using the hash function. Let $suffix_size$ be the number of sequence elements used in computing the hash function, where $1 \le suffix_size \le pattern_size$.

 $\langle \text{Compute skip table and mismatch shift using the hash function 10b} \rangle \equiv$

```
for i in hash_range loop
    skip(i) := pattern_size - suffix_size + 1;
end loop;
for j in a + suffix_size - 1 .. m - 2 loop
    skip(hash(pattern, j)) := m - 1 - j;
end loop;
mismatch_shift := skip(hash(pattern, m - 1));
skip(hash(pattern, m - 1)) := 0;
```

Used in part 11.

The remainder of the computation can remain the same, so we have the following algorithm

in which it is assumed that the hash function uses up to $suffix_size$ elements, where $1 \le suffix_size \le pattern_size$.

```
\langle \text{Hashed Accelerated Linear algorithm 11} \rangle \equiv
      pattern_size := m - a; text_size := n - b; k := b;
      \langle \text{Handle pattern size} = 1 \text{ as a special case } 3a \rangle
      (Compute next table 26a)
      (Compute skip table and mismatch shift using the hash function 10b)
      large := text_size + 1;
      skip(hash(pattern, m - 1)) := large;
      adjustment := large + pattern_size - 1;
      k := k - n;
      loop
        k := k + pattern_size - 1;
        exit when k \ge 0;
         (Scan the text using a single-test skip loop with hashing 10a)
         (Verify match or recover from mismatch 7b)
      end loop;
      return n;
```

Used in part 24b.

This algorithm will be called HAL. Note that AL is itself a special case of HAL, obtained using

```
hash(text, k) = text(k) and (hence) suffix\_size = 1,
```

By inlining hash, we can use HAL instead of AL with minimal performance penalty (none with a good compiler).

It is also noteworthy that in this application of hashing, a "bad" hash function causes no great harm, unlike the situation with associative table searching in which hashing methods usually have excellent average case performance (constant time) but with a bad hash function can degrade terribly to linear time. (Thus, in a table with thousands of elements, searching might take thousands of times longer than expected.) Here the worst that can happen—with, say, a hash function that maps every element to the same value—is that a sublinear algorithm degrades to linearity. As a consequence, in choosing hash functions we can lean toward ease of computation rather than uniform distribution of the hash values.

There is, however, an essential requirement on the hash function that must be observed when performing sequence matching in terms of an equivalence relation \equiv on sequence elements that is not an equality relation. In this case, we must require that equivalent values hash to the same value:

```
x \equiv y \supset \operatorname{hash}(x) = \operatorname{hash}(y)
```

for all $x, y \in T$. We discuss this requirement further in a later section on generic library versions of the algorithms.

5 Searching for DNA Patterns

As an important example of the use of the HAL algorithm, consider DNA searches, in which the alphabet has only four characters and patterns may be very long, say 250 characters. For this application we experimented with hash functions h_{ck} that map a string of c characters into the integer range [0, k). We chose four such functions, $h_{2,64}$, $h_{3,512}$, $h_{4,256}$, and $h_{5,256}$,

all of which add up the results of various shifts of the characters they inspect. For example,²

$$h_{4,256}(t,k) = (t(k-3) + 2^2t(k-2) + 2^4t(k-1) + 2^6t(k)) \mod 256.$$

The algorithms that use these hash functions bear the names HAL2, HAL3, HAL4, and HAL5, respectively. The other contestants were SF, L, ABM and the Giancarlo-Boyer-Moore algorithm (GBM), which was described in [HS91] and was considered to be the fastest for DNA pattern matching.

We searched for patterns of size ranging from 20 to 200 in a text of DNA strings obtained from [DNAsource]. The text is composed of 997,642 characters, and the test set included up to 80 different patterns for each pattern size—40 strings chosen at evenly spaced positions in the target text and up to 40 patterns chosen from another file from [DNAsource] (for longer pattern sizes there were fewer than 40 patterns). Table 2 shows search speeds of the five algorithms with code compiled and executed on the same three systems as in the English text experiments (the systems described preceding Table 1).

We see that each of the versions of HAL is significantly faster than any of the other algorithms, and the speed advantage increases with longer patterns—for patterns of size 200, HAL5 is over 3.5 to 5.5 times faster than its closest competitor, GBM, depending on the system. It appears that HAL4 is slightly faster than HAL5 or HAL3, but further experiments with different hash functions might yield even better performance.

6 Large Alphabet Case

Suppose the alphabet Σ has $2^{16}=65,536$ symbols, as in Unicode for example. To use the skip loop directly we must initialize a table with 65,536 entries. If we are only going to search, say, for a short pattern in a 10,000 character text, the initialization overhead dominates the rest of the computation.

One way to eliminate dependency on the alphabet size is to use a large zero-filled global table $\mathtt{skip1}(x) = \mathtt{skip}(x) - m$, so that the algorithm fills at most m positions with pattern-dependent values at the beginning, performs a search, and then restores zeroes. This approach makes the algorithm non-reentrant and therefore not suitable for multi-threaded applications, but it seems worth investigating for single-threaded applications.

Another approach is to use HAL with, say,

$$H(t,k) = t(k) \mod 256$$

as the hash function. In order to compare these two approaches we implemented a non-hashed version of AL using skip1, called NHAL, and benchmarked it against HAL with H as the hash function. The C++ code for NHAL is shown in an appendix.

We searched for patterns of size ranging from 2 to 18 in randomly generated texts of size 1,000,000 characters, with each character being an integer chosen with uniform distribution from 0 to 65,535. Patterns were chosen from the text at random positions. The test set included 500 different patterns for each pattern size. Table 3 summarizes the timings obtained using the same three systems as decribed preceding Table 1. We can see that HAL demonstrates significantly better performance than NHAL. On systems 1 and 2 the ratio of HAL's speed to NHAL's is much higher than on system 3, and we attribute this disparity to poor optimization abilities of the compilers we used on systems 1 and 2.

We conclude that the hashing technique presents a viable and efficient way to eliminate alphabet-size dependency of search algorithms that use the skip loop.

²In the C++ coding of this computation we use shifts in place of multiplication and masking in place of division. The actual C++ versions are shown in an appendix.

Pattern	Algorithm	System 1	System 2	System 3
Size	1118011011111	2,500111 1	2,500111 2	2,500111 0
20	ABM	16.0893	37.3422	55.6074
	$_{ m GBM}$	25.8827	62.3888	138.267
	$_{ m HAL}$	13.1493	32.5853	53.8514
	$_{ m HAL2}$	28.7208	67.3143	146.168
	$_{ m HAL3}$	22.8165	63.9486	131.177
	$_{ m HAL4}$	21.9008	58.135	113.686
	${ m L}$	4.33091	16.3971	18.9477
	SF	3.28732	8.31851	16.94
	TBM	18.0395	42.6324	63.1591
50	ABM	19.5708	44.693	70.6633
	$_{ m GBM}$	33.6343	78.046	193.67
	$_{ m HAL}$	13.6876	33.736	60.8033
	$_{ m HAL2}$	49.5795	106.716	275.215
	$_{ m HAL3}$	43.4625	106.716	290.505
	$_{ m HAL4}$	42.632	96.8349	249.004
	${ m L}$	4.3519	16.6003	19.439
	SF	3.28906	8.31333	16.7599
	TBM	24.0764	54.4696	87.1514
100	ABM	21.2655	49.6781	73.4371
	GBM	36.6439	85.8841	220.311
	$_{ m HAL}$	12.946	32.0706	56.3018
	$_{ m HAL2}$	70.4997	163.457	389.782
	HAL3	71.2744	187.673	460.651
	HAL4	70.4997	168.905	460.651
	${ m L}$	4.24474	16.0862	19.1938
	SF	3.24623	8.23929	16.5054
	TBM	27.8368	66.6732	105.566
150	ABM	24.2269	56.1366	86.667
	GBM	37.6383	86.667	205.834
	$_{ m HAL}$	14.0205	34.5456	60.9879
	HAL2	84.3097	197.601	548.891
	HAL3	91.641	247.001	548.891
	HAL4	90.3318	235.239	494.002
	${ m L}$	4.33395	16.3037	19.5258
	SF	3.28992	8.33056	17.0935
	TBM	29.1393	72.6474	107.392
200	ABM	23.9786	55.3853	86.3636
	$_{ m GBM}$	37.0578	90.9902	212.31
	$_{ m HAL}$	13.3106	33.3036	57.9028
	$_{ m HAL2}$	89.3449	221.541	509.545
	HAL3	103.527	283.081	636.931
	HAL4	105.196	283.081	566.161
	${ m L}$	4.26565	16.2275	19.0841
	SF	3.25946	8.28528	16.8167
	TBM	28.7321	73.8471	113.232

Table 2: Algorithm Speed (Characters Per Microsecond) in DNA Searches on Three Systems

Pattern	Algorithm	System 1	System 2	System 3
Size				
2	HAL	10.4369	27.3645	39.5632
	${ m L}$	7.11972	28.5543	41.5664
	NHAL	6.63479	12.3915	26.4818
	SF	4.48334	9.83157	23.125
4	HAL	18.7455	44.375	64.3873
	${ m L}$	7.125	28.3082	41.5665
	NHAL	10.9539	21.0497	47.5906
	SF	4.48611	9.86112	22.8038
6	HAL	25.3206	54.9243	86.7225
	${ m L}$	7.1179	28.4091	41.7146
	NHAL	14.2358	28.1663	63.3741
	SF	4.505	9.86663	23.0451
8	HAL	31.1354	67.1919	94.0686
	${ m L}$	7.12946	28.6296	41.676
	NHAL	16.9606	33.5959	80.3025
	SF	4.49445	9.88709	22.7062
10	HAL	35.7717	72.4895	112.484
	${ m L}$	7.09913	28.3655	41.2915
	NHAL	19.1634	38.3768	98.8494
	SF	4.49017	9.85507	22.8114
14	HAL	42.9195	78.1701	149.234
	${ m L}$	7.1132	28.5491	41.0393
	NHAL	23.5262	47.5818	136.798
	SF	4.48911	9.80043	22.7996
18	HAL	47.51862	96.9324	173.458
	${ m L}$	7.144521	28.1684	41.1963
	NHAL	26.4274	56.8225	164.785
	SF	4.48312	9.80864	22.8868

Table 3: Algorithm Speed (Characters Per Microsecond) in Large Alphabet Case on Three Systems

7 Generic Search Algorithms

As we have seen, the HAL algorithm retains its efficiency advantages in a wide variety of search problems of practical interest, including traditional string searching with small or large alphabets, and short or long patterns. These qualities make it a good candidate for abstraction to searching in sequences over an arbitrary type T, for inclusion in generic software libraries such as the C++ Standard Template Library (STL) [StepanovLee, MS96].

By some definitions of genericity, HAL is already a generic algorithm, since the hash function can be made a parameter and thus the algorithm can be adapted to work with any type T. In STL, however, another important issue bearing on the generality of operations on linear sequences is the kind of access to the sequences assumed—random access or something weaker, such as forward, single-step advances only. STL generic algorithms are specified to access sequences via iterators, which are generalizations of ordinary C/C++ pointers. STL defines five categories of iterators, the most powerful being random-access iterators, for which computing i+n or i-n, for iterator i and integer n, is a constant time operation. Forward iterators allow scanning a sequence with only single-step advances and only in a forward direction. AL and HAL require random access for most efficient operation of the skip loop, whereas Algorithm L, with only minor modifications to the expository version, can be made to work efficiently with forward iterators.

The efficiency issue is considered crucial in the STL approach to genericity. STL is not a set of specific software components but a set of requirements which components must satisfy. By making time complexity part of the requirements for components, STL ensures that compliant components not only have the specified interfaces and semantics but also meet certain computing time bounds. The requirements on most components are stated in terms of inputs and outputs that are linear sequences over some type T. The requirements are stated as generally as possible, but balanced against the goal of using efficient algorithms. In fact, the requirements were generally chosen based on knowledge of existing efficient concrete algorithms, by finding the weakest assumptions—about T and about how the sequence elements are accessed—under which those algorithms could still be used without losing their efficiency. In most cases, the computing time requirements are stated as worst-case bounds, but exceptions are made when the concrete algorithms with the best worst-case bounds are not as good in the average case as other algorithms, provided the worst cases occur very infrequently in practice.

In the case of sequence search algorithms, the concrete algorithms considered for generalization to include in STL were various string-search algorithms, including BM, KMP, and SF. Although KMP has the lowest worst-case bound, it was stated in the original STL report [StepanovLee] that SF was superior in the average case.³ And although BM has excellent average time behavior, it was evidently ruled out as a generic algorithm because of its alphabet size dependency. Thus the generic search algorithm requirements were written with a O(mn) time bound, to allow its implementation by SF.⁴

Thus in the Draft C++ Standard dated December 1996 [DraftCPP], two sequence search functions are required, with the specifications:

 $^{^3}$ The original STL requirements included the following statement (which has been dropped in more recent versions of the Draft C++ Standard): "... The Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm is not used here. While the KMP algorithm guarantees linear time, it tends to be slower in most practical cases than the naive algorithm with worst-case quadratic behavior" As we have already seen from Table 1, however, a suitably optimized version of KMP—Algorithm L—is significantly faster than SF.

⁴This did not preclude library implementors from also supplying a specialization of the search operation for the string search case, implemented with BM. The original requirements statement for the search operation noted this possibility but more recent drafts fail to mention it. We are not aware of any currently available STL implementations that do provide such a specialization.

ForwardIterator2 last2);

Effects: Finds a subsequence of equal values in a sequence.

Returns: The first iterator i in the range [first1, last1 – (last2 – first2)) such that for any non-negative integer n less than last2 – first2 the following corresponding conditions hold: *(i+n) = *(first2 + n), $\text{pred}(*(i+n), *(\text{first2} + n)) \neq \text{false}$. Returns last1 if no such iterator is found.

Complexity: At most (last1 - first1) * (last2 - first2) applications of the corresponding predicate.

Before going further, we note that the results of the present article would allow the complexity requirement to be replaced with the much stronger requirement that the computing time be O((last1 - first1) + (last2 - first2)).

We will base our discussion on the first interface, which assumes operator== is used for testing sameness of two sequence elements; the only added issue for the binary predicate case is the requirement mentioned earlier, that for HAL we must choose a hash function compatible with the binary predicate, in the sense that any two values that are equivalent according to the predicate must be mapped to the same value by the hash function. Fortunately, for a given predicate it is usually rather easy to choose a hash function that guarantees this property. (A heuristic guide is to choose a hash function that uses less information than the predicate.)

The fact that this standard interface only assumes forward iterators would seem to preclude HAL, since the skip loop requires random access. There are however many cases of sequence searching in which we do have random access, and we do not want to miss the speedup afforded by the skip loop in those cases. Fortunately, it is possible to provide for easy selection of the most appropriate algorithm under different actual circumstances, including whether random access or only forward access is available, and whether type T has a small or large number of distinct values. For this purpose we use traits, a programming device for compile-time selection of alternative type and code definitions. Traits are supported in C++ by the ability to give definitions of function templates or class templates for specializations of their template parameters.⁵

Algorithm L is not difficult to adapt to work with iterators instead of array indexing. The most straightforward translation would require random access iterators, but with a few adjustments we can express the algorithm entirely with forward iterator operations, making it fit the STL search function interface.

⁵Limited forms of the trait device were used in defining some iterator operations in the first implementations of STL. More recently the trait device has been adopted more broadly in other parts of the library, particularly to provide different definitions of floating point and other parameters used in numeric algorithms. The most elaborate uses of the device employ the recently added C++ feature of partial specialization, in which new definitions can be given with some template parameters specialized while others are left unspecialized. Few C++ compilers currently support partial specialization, but we do not need it here anyway.

```
\langle \text{User level search function } 17a \rangle \equiv
     template <class ForwardIterator1, class ForwardIterator2>
     inline ForwardIterator1 search(ForwardIterator1 text,
                                        ForwardIterator1 textEnd,
                                        ForwardIterator2 pattern,
                                        ForwardIterator2 patternEnd)
     {
        typedef iterator_traits<ForwardIterator1> T;
       return __search(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd, T::iterator_category());
Used in part 33.
When we only have forward iterators, we use Algorithm L.
\langle Forward iterator case 17b \rangle \equiv
     template <class ForwardIterator1, class ForwardIterator2>
     inline ForwardIterator1 __search(ForwardIterator1 text,
                                          ForwardIterator1 textEnd,
                                          ForwardIterator2 pattern,
                                          ForwardIterator2 patternEnd,
                                          forward_iterator_tag)
       return __search_L(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd);
     template <class ForwardIterator1, class ForwardIterator2>
     ForwardIterator1 __search_L(ForwardIterator1 text,
                                    ForwardIterator1 textEnd,
                                    ForwardIterator2 pattern,
                                    ForwardIterator2 patternEnd)
        typedef typename iterator_traits<ForwardIterator2>::difference_type Distance2;
       ForwardIterator1 advance, hold;
       ForwardIterator2 p, p1;
       Distance2 j, m;
        vector<Distance2> next;
        vector<ForwardIterator2> pattern_iterator;
        \langle \text{Compute next table (C++ forward) } 17c \rangle
       m = next.size();
        (Algorithm L, optimized linear pattern search (C++) 18a)
     ጉ
Used in part 33.
We store the next table in an STL vector, which provides random access to the integral next
values; to be able to get from them back to the correct positions in the pattern sequence we
also store iterators in another vector, pattern_iterator.
\langle \text{Compute next table (C++ forward) } 17c \rangle \equiv
     compute_next(pattern, patternEnd, next, pattern_iterator);
Used in part 17b.
\langle \text{Define procedure to compute next table (C++ forward) } 17d \rangle \equiv
     template <class ForwardIterator, class Distance>
```

void compute_next(ForwardIterator pattern,

```
ForwardIterator patternEnd,
                  vector<Distance>& next,
                  vector<ForwardIterator>& pattern_iterator)
{
 Distance t = -1;
 next.reserve(32);
 pattern_iterator.reserve(32);
 next.push_back(-1);
 pattern_iterator.push_back(pattern);
 for (;;) {
   ForwardIterator advance = pattern;
    ++advance;
    if (advance == patternEnd)
    while (t >= 0 && *pattern != *pattern_iterator[t])
       t = next[t];
    ++pattern; ++t;
    if (*pattern == *pattern_iterator[t])
      next.push_back(next[t]);
    else
      next.push_back(t);
   pattern_iterator.push_back(pattern);
}
```

Used in part 33.

Returning to the search algorithm itself, the details are as follows:

```
⟨Algorithm L, optimized linear pattern search (C++) 18a⟩ ≡

⟨Handle pattern size = 1 as a special case (C++) 18b⟩
p1 = pattern; ++p1;
while (text != textEnd) {
 ⟨Scan the text for a possible match (C++) 18c⟩

⟨Verify whether a match is possible at the position found (C++) 19a⟩
 ⟨Recover from a mismatch using the next table (C++ forward) 19b⟩
}
return textEnd;
```

Used in part 17b.

For the case of pattern size 1, we use the STL generic linear search algorithm, find.

```
⟨Handle pattern size = 1 as a special case (C++) 18b⟩ ≡
if (next.size() == 1)
    return find(text, textEnd, *pattern);
Used in parts 18a, 37b, 41a.
```

The three parts of the body of the main loop are direct translations from the Ada versions given earlier, using pointer manipulation in place of array indexing.

```
\langle Scan \; the \; text \; for \; a \; possible \; match \; (C++) \; 18c \rangle \equiv while (*text != *pattern) if (++text == textEnd) return textEnd;
```

Used in part 18a.

```
(Verify whether a match is possible at the position found (C++) 19a) \equiv
     p = p1; j = 1;
     hold = text;
     if (++text == textEnd)
       return textEnd;
     while (*text == *p) {
       if (++p == patternEnd)
          return hold;
        if (++text == textEnd)
          return textEnd;
        ++j;
Used in part 18a.
\langle \text{Recover from a mismatch using the next table (C++ forward) 19b} \rangle \equiv
     for (;;) {
        j = next[j];
       if (j < 0) {
          ++text;
          break;
       }
       if (j == 0)
          break;
       p = pattern_iterator[j];
       while (*text == *p) {
          ++text; ++p; ++j;
          if (p == patternEnd) {
             (Compute and return position of match 19c)
          if (text == textEnd)
            return textEnd;
       }
     }
```

Used in part 18a.

Returning the match position requires use of the hold iterator saved for that purpose.

```
⟨Compute and return position of match 19c⟩ ≡
    advance = hold;
    for (int i = m; --i >= 0;)
        ++advance;
    while (advance != text)
        ++advance, ++hold;
    return hold;
Used in part 19b.
```

Through the use of traits, we provide for automatic selection of either the above version of algorithm L in the case of forward or bidirectional iterators, or the faster HAL algorithm when random access to the sequences is available. STL random access iterators permit the use of either array index notation very similar that in the expository version of the algorithm, or pointer notation as shown above for algorithm L, but with additional operations such as p+k. Although it is commonplace to use pointer notation for efficiency reasons, we avoid it in this case because the calculation of the large value cannot be guaranteed to be valid in pointer arithmetic. The advantage of the single-test skip loop outweighs any disadvantage

due to array notation calculations.

The trait interface also allows the user to supply the hash function, but various useful default hash functions can be provided. The full details, including complete source code, are shown in an appendix. The code is available from http://www.cs.rpi.edu/~musser/qp. The code supplied includes a set of operation counting components [Mu96] that permit easy gathering of statistics on many different kinds of operations, including data element accesses and comparisons, iterator operations, and "distance operations," which are arithmetic operations on integer results of iterator subtractions. These counts are obtained without modifying the source code of the algorithms at all, by specializing their type parameters with classes whose operations have counters built into them. Table 4 shows counts of data comparisons and other data accesses, iterator "big jumps" and other iterator operations, and distance operations. In each case the counts are divided by the number of characters searched. These statistics come from searches of the same English text, Through the Looking Glass, with the same selection of patterns, as discussed earlier. For ABM and TBM, not all operations were counted because the algorithms are from Hume and Sunday's original C code and therefore could not be specialized with the counting components. For these algorithms a manually instrumented version (supplied as part of the code distribution [HS91]) kept count of data comparisons and accesses. The table shows that HAL, like ABM and TBM, does remarkably few equality comparison operations on sequence elements—only about 1 per 100 elements for the longer patterns, no more than twice that for the shorter ones. They do access the elements substantially more often than that, in their respective skip loops, but still always sublinearly. With string matching, the comparisons and accesses are inexpensive, but in other applications of sequence matching they might cost substantially more than iterator or distance operations. In such applications the savings in execution time over SF or L could be even greater.

For example, an appendix shows one experiment in which the text of *Through the Looking Glass* was stored as a sequence of words, each word being a character string, and the patterns were word sequences of different lengths chosen from evenly spaced positions in the target word sequence. In this case, element comparisons were word comparisons, which could be significantly more costly than iterator or distance operations. HAL was again substantially faster than the other contestants, SF and L. The ABM and TBM algorithms from [HS91] were not considered because they are only applicable to string matching, but it was easy to specialize the three generic algorithms to this case of sequence matching, just by plugging in the appropriate types and, in the case of HAL, defining a suitable hash function. (We used a function that returns the first character of a word.)

8 How to Obtain the Appendices and Code

An expanded version of this paper, including appendices that contain and document the complete source code for all benchmark experiments described in the paper, will be maintained indefinitely for public access on the Internet at http://www.cs.rpi.edu/~musser/gp/. By downloading the Nuweb source file, gensearch.w, and using Briggs' Nuweb tool [Briggs], for readers can also easily generate all of the source code described in the paper and appendices.

9 Conclusion

When we began this research, our main goal was to develop a generic sequence search algorithm with a linear worst-case time bound and with better average case performance

⁶We started with a version of the Nuweb tool previously modified by Ramsdell and Mengel and made additional small changes in terminology in the LATEX file the tool produces: "part" is used in place of "scrap" and "definition" in place of "macro." This version, called Nuweb 0.91, is available from http://www.cs.rpi.edu/~musser/gp/. The new version does not differ from previous versions in the way it produces code files from Nuweb source files.

than KMP and SF, so that it could be used in generic software libraries such as the C++ Standard Template Library. We expected that for most of the useful special cases, such as English text or DNA substring matching, it would probably be better to provide separate algorithms tailored to those cases. It was therefore surprising to discover that for the substring matching problem itself a new, superior algorithm could be obtained by combining Boyer and Moore's skip loop with the Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm. By also developing a hashed version of the skip loop and providing for selection of different variants of the technique using traits, we obtained a generic algorithm, HAL, with all of the attributes we originally sought. Moreover, when specialized to the usual string matching cases of the most practical interest, such as English text matching and DNA string matching, the new algorithm beats most of the existing string matching algorithms.

Since HAL has a linear upper bound on the number of comparisons, it can be used even in mission-critical applications where the potential O(mn) behavior of the straightforward algorithm or Hume and Sunday's TBM algorithm would be a serious concern. In such applications, as well as in less-critical applications, HAL's performance in the average case is not only linear, but sublinear, beating even the best versions of the Boyer Moore algorithm. Since we have provided it in a generic form—in particular, in the framework of the C++ Standard Template Library—the new algorithm is easily reusable in many different contexts.

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A Tests of Expository Versions of the Algorithms

To help ensure against errors in the expository versions of the algorithms in this paper, we compiled them as part of several Ada test programs, using both the GNAT Ada 95 compiler, version 3.09, and the Aonix ObjectAda compiler, Special Edition, version 7.1.

A.1 Algorithm Declarations

We have not attempted to develop Ada generic subprograms based on the expository versions of the algorithms; instead we encapsulate them here with non-generic interfaces we can use in simple test programs based on string (Ada character array) searches.

```
\langle \text{Sequence declarations 23a} \rangle \equiv
      type Character_Sequence is array(Integer range <>) of Character;
      type Integer_Sequence is array(Integer range <>) of Integer;
      type Skip_Sequence is array(Character range <>) of Integer;
Used in parts 26b, 29c, 31e.
\langleAlgorithm subprogram declarations 23b\rangle \equiv
      \langle \text{Define procedure to compute next table 25} \rangle
      (Non-hashed algorithms 23c)
       (Simple hash function declarations 24a)
      (HAL declaration 24b)
Used in parts 26b, 29c, 31e.
\langle Non-hashed algorithms 23c \rangle \equiv
     function KMP(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
                     b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
        pattern_size, j, k: Integer;
        next: Integer_Sequence(a .. m - 1);
      begin
         (Compute next table 26a)
         ⟨Basic KMP 2a⟩
      end KMP;
      function L(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
                     b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
        pattern_size, j, k: Integer;
        next: Integer_Sequence(a .. m - 1);
      begin
        pattern_size := m - a;
         (Compute next table 26a)
         (Algorithm L, optimized linear pattern search 2b)
      end L;
      function SF(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
                     b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
        pattern_size, j, k: Integer;
      begin
        pattern_size := m - a; k := b;
        \langle \text{Handle pattern size} = 1 \text{ as a special case } 3a \rangle
        while k <= n - pattern_size loop
```

```
(Scan the text for a possible match 3b)
           (Verify whether a match is possible at the position found 3c)
          k := k - (j - a) + 1;
        end loop;
       return n;
     end SF;
     function AL(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
                  b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
       pattern_size, text_size, j, k, large, adjustment, mismatch_shift: Integer;
       next: Integer_Sequence(a .. m - 1);
       skip: Skip_Sequence(Character'Range);
        (Accelerated Linear algorithm 7a)
     end AL;
Used in part 23b.
The following is a sample hash function definition that makes HAL essentially equivalent to
\langle \text{Simple hash function declarations 24a} \rangle \equiv
     subtype hash_range is Integer range 0..255;
     function hash(text: Character_Sequence; k: Integer) return hash_range;
     pragma inline(hash);
     function hash(text: Character_Sequence; k: Integer) return hash_range is
       return hash_range(character'pos(text(k)));
     end hash:
     suffix_size: constant Integer := 1;
Used in part 23b.
\langle HAL \text{ declaration } 24b \rangle \equiv
     function HAL(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
                      b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
       pattern_size, text_size, j, k, large, adjustment, mismatch_shift: Integer;
       next: Integer_Sequence(a .. m - 1);
       skip: Integer_Sequence(hash_range);
        (Hashed Accelerated Linear algorithm 11)
     end HAL;
Used in part 23b.
For comparison of HAL with other algorithms we also compose the following declarations:
\langle Additional algorithms 24c \rangle \equiv
     function ALO(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
                      b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
       pattern_size, j, k, d, mismatch_shift: Integer;
       next: Integer_Sequence(a .. m - 1);
       skip: Skip_Sequence(Character'Range);
```

AL.

begin

```
(Accelerated Linear algorithm, preliminary version 5a)
end ALO;
function SF1(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
             b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
 pattern_size, j, k, k0: Integer;
begin
 pattern_size := m - a;
 if n < m then
   return n;
 end if;
 j := a; k := b; k0 := k;
 while j /= m loop
   if text(k) /= pattern(j) then
      if k = n - pattern\_size then
        return n;
      else
        k0 := k0 + 1; k := k0; j := a;
      end if;
    else
      k := k + 1; j := j + 1;
    end if;
  end loop;
 return k0;
end SF1;
function SF2(text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
             b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
 pattern_size, j, k, k0, n0: Integer;
begin
 pattern_size := m - a;
 if n - b < pattern\_size then
   return n;
 end if;
  j := a; k := b; k0 := k; n0 := n - b;
 while j /= m loop
    if text(k) = pattern(j) then
      k := k + 1; j := j + 1;
    else
      if n0 = pattern_size then
        return n;
        k0 := k0 + 1; k := k0; j := a; n0 := n0 - 1;
      end if;
    end if;
  end loop;
 return k0;
end SF2;
```

Used in parts 26b, 29c, 31e.

For computing the KMP next table we provide the following procedure and calling code:

```
next(a) := a - 1;
        while j < m - 1 loop
          while t >= a and then pattern(j) /= pattern(t) loop
             t := next(t);
          end loop;
          j := j + 1; t := t + 1;
          if pattern(j) = pattern(t) then
            next(j) := next(t);
            next(j) := t;
          end if;
        end loop;
      end Compute_Next;
Used in part 23b.
\langle \text{Compute next table 26a} \rangle \equiv
      Compute_Next(pattern, a, m, next);
Used in parts 5a, 7a, 11, 23c.
```

A.2 Simple Tests

The first test program simply reads short test sequences from a file and reports the results of running the different search algorithms on them.

```
"Test_Search.adb" 26b \equiv
      with Text_Io; use Text_Io;
      with Ada.Integer_Text_Io; use Ada.Integer_Text_Io;
      with Io_Exceptions;
      procedure Test_Search is
         (Sequence declarations 23a)
         (Variable declarations 26c)
         (Algorithm subprogram declarations 23b)
         (Additional algorithms 24c)
         (Define procedure to read string into sequence 28b)
         (Define procedure to output sequence 28c)
         (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function 27b)
         (Define Report procedure 28e)
      begin
         (Set file small.txt as input file 27a)
            \langle \text{Read test sequences from file } 27c \rangle
            (Run tests and report results 28d)
        end loop;
      end Test_Search;
\langle Variable declarations 26c \rangle \equiv
      Comment, S1, S2: Character_Sequence(1 .. 100);
      Base_Line, S1_Length, S2_Length, Last: Integer;
      File: Text_Io.File_Type;
Used in part 26b.
```

```
\langle \text{Set file small.txt as input file 27a} \rangle \equiv
     Text_Io.Open(File, Text_IO.In_File, "small.txt");
     Text_Io.Set_Input(File);
Used in part 26b.
(Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function 27b) \equiv
     type Algorithm_Enumeration is (Dummy, SF, SF1, SF2, L, AL, HAL);
       Algorithm_Names: array(Algorithm_Enumeration) of String(1 .. 17) :=
         ("selection code
          "SF
          "HP SF
          "SGI SF
          "L
          "AL
                              ");
           "HAL
     function Algorithm(k: Algorithm_Enumeration;
                         text, pattern: Character_Sequence;
                         b, n, a, m: Integer) return Integer is
     begin
       case k is
         when Dummy => return b;
         when SF => return SF(text, pattern, b, n, a, m);
         when SF1 => return SF1(text, pattern, b, n, a, m);
         when SF2 => return SF2(text, pattern, b, n, a, m);
         when L => return L(text, pattern, b, n, a, m);
         when AL => return AL(text, pattern, b, n, a, m);
         when HAL => return HAL(text, pattern, b, n, a, m);
       end case;
     end Algorithm;
```

Used in parts 26b, 29c, 31e.

Test sequences are expected to be found in a file named small.txt. Each test set is contained on three lines, the first line being a comment or blank, the second line containing the text string to be searched, and the third the pattern to search for.

```
⟨Read test sequences from file 27c⟩ ≡
    exit when Text_Io.End_Of_File;
    Get(Comment, Last);
    Put(Comment, Last); New_Line;
    ⟨Check for unexpected end of file 28a⟩

Get(S1, Last);
    ⟨Check for unexpected end of file 28a⟩
    Put("Text sequence: "); Put(S1, Last);
    S1_Length := Last;

Get(S2, Last);
    Put("Pattern sequence: "); Put(S2, Last);
    S2_Length := Last;

Used in part 26b.
```

```
\langle \text{Check for unexpected end of file 28a} \rangle \equiv
      if Text_Io.End_Of_File then
        Put_Line("**** Unexpected end of file."); New_Line;
        raise Program_Error;
      end if;
Used in part 27c.
\langle \text{Define procedure to read string into sequence 28b} \rangle \equiv
      procedure Get(S: out Character_Sequence; Last: out Integer) is
        Ch: Character;
        I : Integer := 0;
      begin
        while not Text_Io.End_Of_File loop
          Text_Io.Get_Immediate(Ch);
          I := I + 1;
          S(I) := Ch;
          exit when Text_Io.End_Of_Line;
        end loop;
        Last := I;
        Text_Io.Get_Immediate(Ch);
      end Get;
Used in part 26b.
\langle \text{Define procedure to output sequence } 28c \rangle \equiv
      procedure Put(S: Character_Sequence; Last: Integer) is
      begin
        for I in 1 .. Last loop
          Put(S(I));
        end loop;
        New_Line;
      end Put;
Used in part 26b.
\langle Run \text{ tests and report results 28d} \rangle \equiv
      Base_Line := 0;
      for K in Algorithm_Enumeration', Succ(Algorithm_Enumeration', First) ...
                Algorithm_Enumeration'Last loop
        Put(" Using "); Put(Algorithm_Names(k)); New_Line;
        Report(K, S1, S2, 1, S1_Length + 1, 1, S2_Length + 1);
      end loop;
      New_Line;
Used in part 26b.
\langle \text{Define Report procedure 28e} \rangle \equiv
      procedure Report(K: Algorithm_Enumeration;
                         S1, S2: Character_Sequence; b, n, a, m: Integer) is
        P: Integer;
      begin
        P := Algorithm(K, S1, S2, b, n, a, m);
        Put("
                String "); Put('"');
         (Output S2 29a)
        if P = n then
```

```
Put(" not found");
         New_Line;
       else
         Put('"'); Put(" found at position ");
         Put(P);
         New_Line;
       end if;
       if Base_Line = 0 then
         Base_Line := P - b;
          if P - b /= Base_Line then
            Put("*****Incorrect result!"); New_Line;
         end if;
       end if;
     end Report;
Used in parts 26b, 29c.
\langle \text{Output S2 29a} \rangle \equiv
     for I in a .. m - 1 loop
       Put(S2(I));
     end loop;
Used in part 28e.
Here are a few small tests.
"small.txt" 29b \equiv
     Now's the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country.
     time
     Now's the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country.
     timid
     Now's the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country.
     # The following example is from the KMP paper.
     babcbabcabcabcabcabcacabc
     abcabcacab
```

A.3 Large Tests

abcad

ab

aaaaaabcabcadefg

aaaaaabcabcadefg

This Ada test program can read a long character sequence from a file and run extensive search tests on it. Patterns to search for, of a user-specified length, are selected from evenly-spaced positions in the long sequence.

```
"Test_Long_Search.adb" 29c =
with Text_Io; use Text_Io;
with Ada.Integer_Text_Io; use Ada.Integer_Text_Io;
procedure Test_Long_Search is
F: Integer;
```

```
Number_Of_Tests: Integer;
        Pattern_Size: Integer;
        Increment: Integer;
         (Sequence declarations 23a)
         (Data declarations 30a)
         (Algorithm subprogram declarations 23b)
         (Additional algorithms 24c)
         (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function 27b)
         (Define Report procedure 28e)
        S2: Character_Sequence(0 .. 100);
      begin
         (Read test parameters 30c)
         \langle \text{Set file long.txt as input file 30b} \rangle
         (Read character sequence from file 31a)
        Increment := (S1_Length - S2_Length) / Number_Of_Tests;
         (Run tests searching for selected subsequences 31b)
      end Test_Long_Search;
\langle \text{Data declarations } 30a \rangle \equiv
      Max_Size: constant Integer := 200_000;
      C: Character;
      S1: Character_Sequence(0 .. Max_Size);
      Base_Line, I, S1_Length, S2_Length: Integer;
      File: Text_Io.File_Type;
Used in parts 29c, 31e.
\langle \text{Set file long.txt as input file 30b} \rangle \equiv
      Text_Io.Open(File, Text_IO.In_File, "long.txt");
      Text_Io.Set_Input(File);
Used in parts 29c, 31e.
\langle \text{Read test parameters 30c} \rangle \equiv
      Put("Input Number of tests and pattern size: "); Text_Io.Flush;
      Get(Number_Of_Tests);
      Get(Pattern_Size);
      New_Line; Put("Number of tests: "); Put(Number_Of_Tests); New_Line;
      Put("Pattern size: "); Put(Pattern_Size); New_Line;
      S2_Length := Pattern_Size;
Used in parts 29c, 31e.
```

```
\langle \text{Read character sequence from file 31a} \rangle \equiv
      I := 0;
      while not Text_Io.End_Of_File loop
        Text_Io.Get_Immediate(C);
        S1(I) := C;
        I := I + 1;
      end loop;
      S1_Length := I;
      Put(S1_Length); Put(" characters read."); New_Line;
Used in parts 29c, 31e.
\langle \text{Run tests searching for selected subsequences 31b} \rangle \equiv
      F := 0;
      for K in 1 .. Number_Of_Tests loop
         (Select sequence S2 to search for in S1 31c)
         (Run tests 31d)
      end loop;
Used in part 29c.
(Select sequence S2 to search for in S1 31c) \equiv
      for I in 0 .. Pattern_Size - 1 loop
        S2(I) := S1(F + I);
      end loop;
      F := F + Increment;
Used in parts 31b, 32b.
\langle \text{Run tests 31d} \rangle \equiv
      Base_Line := 0;
      for K in Algorithm_Enumeration'Succ(Algorithm_Enumeration'First) ...
                Algorithm_Enumeration'Last loop
        Put(" Using "); Put(Algorithm_Names(k)); New_Line;
        Report(K, S1, S2, 0, S1_Length, 0, S2_Length);
      end loop;
      New_Line;
Used in part 31b.
```

A.4 Timed Tests

This Ada test program reads a character sequence from a file and times searches for selected strings.

```
"Time_Long_Search.adb" 31e \(\equiv \)
    with Text_Io; use Text_Io;
    with Ada.Integer_Text_Io; use Ada.Integer_Text_Io;
    with Ada.Real_Time;
    procedure Time_Long_Search is
        use Ada.Real_Time;
    package My_Float is new Text_IO.Float_IO(Long_Float);
    Base_Time: Long_Float;
    Number_Of_Tests, Pattern_Size, Increment: Integer;
    pragma Suppress(All_Checks);
    \(\section \)Sequence declarations 23a\(\right)\)
```

```
(Algorithm subprogram declarations 23b)
        (Additional algorithms 24c)
        (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function 27b)
        (Data declarations 30a)
        (Define run procedure 32b)
     begin
        (Read test parameters 30c)
        (Set file long.txt as input file 30b)
        (Read character sequence from file 31a)
        Increment := (S1_Length - S2_Length) / Number_Of_Tests;
       Base_Time := 0.0;
        (Run and time tests searching for selected subsequences 32a)
     end Time_Long_Search;
(Run and time tests searching for selected subsequences 32a) \equiv
     for K in Algorithm_Enumeration'Range loop
       Put("Timing "); Put(Algorithm_Names(K)); New_Line;
       Run(K, S1, S1_Length, S2_Length);
     end loop;
     New_Line;
Used in part 31e.
```

For a given algorithm, the Run procedure conducts a requested number of searches in sequence S1 for patterns of a requested size, selecting the patterns from evenly spaced positions in S1. It reports the total search length, time taken, and speed (total search length divided by time taken) of the searches.

```
\langle \text{Define run procedure 32b} \rangle \equiv
     procedure Run(K: Algorithm_Enumeration;
                     S1: Character_Sequence; Text_Size, Pattern_Size: Integer) is
       P, F: Integer;
       Start_Time, Finish_Time: Time;
       Total_Search: Integer;
       Time_Taken : Long_Float;
       S2: Character_Sequence(0 .. Pattern_Size - 1);
     begin
       F := 0;
       Total_Search := 0;
       Start_Time := Clock;
       for I in 1 .. Number_Of_Tests loop
           (Select sequence S2 to search for in S1 31c)
          P := Algorithm(K, S1, S2, 0, Text_Size, 0, Pattern_Size);
          Total_Search := Total_Search + P + Pattern_Size;
        end loop;
       Finish_Time := Clock;
         (Output statistics 32c)
     end Run;
Used in part 31e.
\langle \text{Output statistics } 32c \rangle \equiv
     Time_Taken := Long_Float((Finish_Time - Start_Time) / Milliseconds(1))
                      / 1000.0 - Base_Time;
```

```
Put("Total search length: ");
Put(Total_Search); Put(" bytes."); New_Line;
Put("Time: "); My_Float.Put(Time_Taken, 5, 4, 0);
Put(" seconds."); New_Line;
if K /= Dummy then
   Put("Speed: ");
   My_Float.Put(Long_Float(Total_Search) / 1_000_000.0 / Time_Taken, 5, 2, 0);
   Put(" MBytes/second."); New_Line;
else
   Base_Time := Time_Taken;
end if;
New_Line;
```

Used in part 32b.

B C++ Library Versions and Test Programs

The code presented in this section is packaged in files that can be added to the standard C++ library and included in user programs with #include directives. (A few adjustments may be necessary depending on how well the target compiler conforms to the C++ standard.) With only minor changes, library maintainers should be able to incorporate the code into the standard library header files, replacing whatever search implementations they currently contain. The only significant work involved would be to construct the predicate versions of the search functions, which are not given here.

B.1 Generic Library Interfaces

B.1.1 Library Files

```
"new_search.h" 33 \equiv
      #ifndef NEW_SEARCH
      # define NEW_SEARCH
      # include <vector.h>
      # include "search_traits.h"
         include <iterator.h>
         ifdef __STL_ITERATOR_TRAITS_NEEDED
            \langle \text{Iterator traits for use with STL libraries that do not supply them } 60 \rangle
         endif
      (Define procedure to compute next table (C++) 39b)
      \langle \text{Define procedure to compute next table (C++ forward) 17d} \rangle
       (User level search function 17a)
      (Forward iterator case 17b)
       (Bidirectional iterator case 36a)
      (HAL with random access iterators, no trait passed 36b)
      (User level search function with trait argument 37a)
      #endif
```

B.1.2 Search Traits

The generic search trait class is used when there is no search trait specifically defined, either in the library or by the user, for the type of values in the sequences being searched, and when no search trait is explicitly passed to the search function.

```
(Generic search trait 34a) =
  template <class T>
  struct search_trait {
    enum {hash_range_max = 0};
    enum {suffix_size = 0};
    template <class RandomAccessIterator>
    inline static unsigned int hash(RandomAccessIterator i) {
      return 0;
    }
};
```

The "hash" function used in this trait maps everything to 0; it would be a source of poor performance if it were actually used in the HAL algorithm. In fact it is not, because the code in the search function checks for $suffix_size = 0$ and uses algorithm L in that case. This definition of hash permits compilation to succeed even if the compiler fails to recognize that the code segment containing the call of hash is dead code.

For traditional string searches, the following specialized search traits are provided:

```
\langle Search traits for character sequences 34b \rangle \equiv
     template <> struct search_trait<signed char> {
       enum {hash_range_max = 256};
       enum {suffix_size = 1};
       template <class RandomAccessIterator>
       inline static unsigned int hash(RandomAccessIterator i) {
         return *i;
       }
    };
     typedef unsigned char unsigned_char;
     template <> struct search_trait<unsigned_char> {
       enum {hash_range_max = 256};
       enum {suffix_size = 1};
       template <class RandomAccessIterator>
       inline static unsigned int hash(RandomAccessIterator i) {
         return *i;
    };
```

Used in part 34c.

Used in part 34c.

Since at this writing some C++ compilers do not allow member function templates, we have also provided an alternate version of the generic search traits and character sequence specializations. They are defined using preprocessor macros. If the symbol __STL_MEMBER_TEMPLATES is not defined, the alternate version is used, following the convention used in SGI STL.

```
\langle \text{Search traits for compilers without member template support } 35 \rangle \equiv
    #include <vector.h>
    #include <deque.h>
    template <class T>
    struct search_trait {
      enum {hash_range_max = 0};
      enum {suffix_size = 0};
    # define search_trait_helper_macro(Iterator)
      inline static unsigned int hash(Iterator i) {
        return 0;
      }
      search_trait_helper_macro(T*)
      search_trait_helper_macro(const T*)
      search_trait_helper_macro(deque<T>::iterator)
       search_trait_helper_macro(deque<T>::const_iterator)
    # undef search_trait_helper_macro
    };
    struct search_trait<char> {
      enum {hash_range_max = 256};
      enum {suffix_size = 1};
    # define search_trait_helper_macro(Iterator)
      inline static unsigned int hash(Iterator i) { \
        return *i;
      }
      search_trait_helper_macro(char*)
      search_trait_helper_macro(const char*)
      search_trait_helper_macro(deque<char>::iterator)
      search_trait_helper_macro(deque<char>::const_iterator)
    # undef search_trait_helper_macro
    typedef unsigned char unsigned_char;
    struct search_trait<unsigned_char> {
      enum {hash_range_max = 256};
      enum {suffix_size = 1};
    # define search_trait_helper_macro(Iterator)
      inline static unsigned int hash(Iterator i) {
        return *i;
      }
      search_trait_helper_macro(unsigned_char*)
      search_trait_helper_macro(const unsigned_char*)
      search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::iterator)
      search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::const_iterator)
    # undef search_trait_helper_macro
    };
```

Used in part 34c.

B.1.3 Search Functions

The main user-level search function interface and an auxiliary function <code>__search_L</code> for the forward iterator case were given in the body of the paper. With bidirectional iterators we again use the forward iterator version.

When we have random access iterators and no search trait is passed as an argument, we use a search trait associated with $V = RandomAccessIterator1::value_type$ to obtain the hash function and related parameters. Then we use the user-level search function that takes a search trait argument and uses HAL. If no search trait has been specifically defined for type V, then the generic search_hash_trait is used, causing the search_hashed algorithm to resort to algorithm L.

Finally, we have a user-level search function for the case of random access iterators and an explicitly passed search trait.

```
(User level search function with trait argument 37a) \equiv
```

```
template <class RandomAccessIterator1, class RandomAccessIterator2, class Trait>
RandomAccessIterator1 search_hashed(RandomAccessIterator1 text,
                                    RandomAccessIterator1 textEnd,
                                    RandomAccessIterator2 pattern,
                                    RandomAccessIterator2 patternEnd,
                                    Trait*)
{
 typedef typename iterator_traits<RandomAccessIterator1>::difference_type Distance1;
 typedef typename iterator_traits<RandomAccessIterator2>::difference_type Distance2;
 if (pattern == patternEnd) return text;
 Distance2 pattern_size, j, m;
 pattern_size = patternEnd - pattern;
 if (Trait::suffix_size == 0 || pattern_size < Trait::suffix_size)</pre>
   return __search_L(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd);
 Distance1 i, k, large, adjustment, mismatch_shift, text_size;
 vector<Distance1> next, skip;
  (Hashed Accelerated Linear algorithm (C++) 37b)
```

Used in part 33.

The C++ version of HAL is built from parts corresponding to those expressed in Ada in the body of the paper. Note that in place of text(n + k) we can write textEnd + k for the location and textEnd[k] for the value at that location.

```
\langle \text{Hashed Accelerated Linear algorithm (C++) 37b} \rangle \equiv
      k = 0;
      text_size = textEnd - text;
       \langle \text{Compute next table (C++) 39c} \rangle
       \langle \text{Handle pattern size} = 1 \text{ as a special case } (C++) 18b \rangle
       (Compute skip table and mismatch shift using the hash function (C++) 39a)
      large = text_size + 1;
      adjustment = large + pattern_size - 1;
      skip[Trait::hash(pattern + pattern_size - 1)] = large;
      k -= text_size;
      for(;;) {
        k += pattern_size - 1;
         if (k \ge 0) break;
         \langle Scan \text{ the text using a single-test skip loop with hashing } (C++) 37c \rangle
         (Verify match or recover from mismatch (C++) 38a)
      return textEnd;
Used in part 37a.
\langle Scan the text using a single-test skip loop with hashing (C++) 37c \rangle \equiv
      do {
        k += skip[Trait::hash(textEnd + k)];
      } while (k < 0);</pre>
      if (k < pattern_size)</pre>
         return textEnd;
      k -= adjustment;
Used in part 37b.
```

```
(Verify match or recover from mismatch (C++) 38a) \equiv
     if (textEnd[k] != pattern[0])
       k += mismatch_shift;
     else {
        (Verify the match for positions 1 through pattern_size - 1 (C++) 38b)
       if (mismatch_shift > j)
         k += mismatch_shift - j;
       else
          (Recover from a mismatch using the next table (C++) 38c)
     }
Used in parts 37b, 41a.
(Verify the match for positions 1 through pattern_size - 1 (C++) 38b) \equiv
     j = 1;
     for (;;) {
       ++k;
       if (textEnd[k] != pattern[j])
         break;
       ++j;
       if (j == pattern_size)
         return textEnd + k - pattern_size + 1;
     }
Used in part 38a.
(Recover from a mismatch using the next table (C++) 38c) \equiv
     for (;;) {
       j = next[j];
       if (j < 0) {
         ++k;
         break;
       }
       if (j == 0)
         break;
       while (textEnd[k] == pattern[j]) {
         ++k; ++j;
         if (j == pattern_size) {
           return textEnd + k - pattern_size;
         if (k == 0)
           return textEnd;
     }
```

Used in part 38a.

B.1.4 Skip Table Computation

```
⟨Compute skip table and mismatch shift using the hash function (C++) 39a⟩ ≡
    m = next.size();
    for (i = 0; i < Trait::hash_range_max; ++i)
        skip.push_back(m - Trait::suffix_size + 1);
    for (j = Trait::suffix_size - 1; j < m - 1; ++j)
        skip[Trait::hash(pattern + j)] = m - 1 - j;
    mismatch_shift = skip[Trait::hash(pattern + m - 1)];
    skip[Trait::hash(pattern + m - 1)] = 0;
</pre>
Used in part 37b.
```

B.1.5 Next Table Procedure and Call

When we have random access to the pattern, we take advantage of it in computing the next table (we do not need to create the pattern_iterator table used in the forward iterator version).

```
(Define procedure to compute next table (C++) 39b) \equiv
     template <class RandomAccessIterator, class Distance>
     void compute_next(RandomAccessIterator pattern,
                         RandomAccessIterator patternEnd,
                         vector<Distance>& next)
     {
       Distance pattern_size = patternEnd - pattern, j = 0, t = -1;
       next.reserve(32);
       next.push_back(-1);
       while (j < pattern_size - 1) {</pre>
          while (t >= 0 && pattern[j] != pattern[t])
             t = next[t];
          ++j; ++t;
          if (pattern[j] == pattern[t])
            next.push_back(next[t]);
          else
            next.push_back(t);
       }
     }
Used in part 33.
\langle \text{Compute next table (C++) 39c} \rangle \equiv
     compute_next(pattern, patternEnd, next);
```

B.2 Experimental Version for Large Alphabet Case

Used in parts 37b, 41a.

For comparison with HAL in the large alphabet case we also implemented the experimental version that uses a large skip table and no hashing, as described in the body of the paper.

In our experiments, we assume that the element type is a 2-byte unsigned short.

 $\langle \text{Experimental search function with skip loop without hashing 39e} \rangle \equiv$

```
struct large_alphabet_trait {
  typedef unsigned short T;
  enum {suffix_size = 1};
  enum \{\text{hash\_range\_max} = (1u << (\text{sizeof}(T) * 8)) - 1\};
};
#ifdef __STL_MEMBER_TEMPLATES
 template <> struct search_trait<unsigned short> {
    enum {hash_range_max = 256};
    enum {suffix_size = 1};
    template <class RandomAccessIterator>
    inline static unsigned int hash(RandomAccessIterator i) {
      return (unsigned char)(*i);
   }
 };
#else
 struct search_trait<unsigned short> {
   enum {hash_range_max = 256};
    enum {suffix_size = 1};
   inline static unsigned int hash(const unsigned short* i) {
      return (unsigned char)(*i);
    }
 };
#endif
template<class T>
class skewed_value {
  static T skew;
 T value;
public:
 skewed_value() : value(0) {}
 skewed_value(T val) : value(val - skew) {}
 operator T () { return value + skew; }
 static void setSkew(T askew) { skew = askew; }
 void clear() { value = 0; }
};
template<class T> T skewed_value<T>::skew;
template < class T, class Random AccessIterator, int size >
class skewed_array {
  typedef skewed_value<T> value_type;
  static value_type array[size];
 RandomAccessIterator pattern, patternEnd;
public:
  skewed_array(T skew, RandomAccessIterator pat, RandomAccessIterator patEnd):
   pattern(pat),patternEnd(patEnd){ value_type::setSkew(skew); }
  ~skewed_array() {
    while (pattern != patternEnd)
      array[*pattern++].clear();
 value_type operator[] (int index) const { return array[index]; }
 value_type& operator[] (int index)
                                           { return array[index]; }
};
template < class T, class Random Access Iterator, int size >
skewed_value<T> skewed_array<T,RandomAccessIterator,size>::array[size];
template <class RandomAccessIterator1, class RandomAccessIterator2>
```

```
RandomAccessIterator1 search_no_hashing(RandomAccessIterator1 text,
                                                  RandomAccessIterator1 textEnd,
                                                  RandomAccessIterator2 pattern,
                                                  RandomAccessIterator2 patternEnd)
     {
       typedef typename iterator_traits<RandomAccessIterator1>::difference_type Distance1;
       typedef typename iterator_traits<RandomAccessIterator2>::difference_type Distance2;
        typedef large_alphabet_trait Trait;
       if (pattern == patternEnd)
         return text;
       Distance1 k, text_size, large, adjustment, mismatch_shift;
       Distance2 j, m, pattern_size;
       pattern_size = patternEnd - pattern;
       if (pattern_size < Trait::suffix_size)</pre>
          return __search_L(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd);
        vector<Distance1> next;
        skewed_array<Distance1, RandomAccessIterator2, Trait::hash_range_max+1>
          skip(pattern_size - Trait::suffix_size + 1, pattern, patternEnd);
        \langleAccelerated Linear algorithm, no hashing (C++) 41a\rangle
     }
Used in part 39d.
\langleAccelerated Linear algorithm, no hashing (C++) 41a\rangle \equiv
     k = 0;
     text_size = textEnd - text;
      \langle \text{Compute next table (C++) 39c} \rangle
      \langle \text{Handle pattern size} = 1 \text{ as a special case } (C++) \text{ 18b} \rangle
      (Compute skip table and mismatch shift, no hashing (C++) 41b)
     large = text_size + 1;
     adjustment = large + pattern_size - 1;
     skip[*(pattern + m - 1)] = large;
     k -= text_size;
     for (;;) {
       k += pattern_size - 1;
       if (k \ge 0) break;
        (Scan the text using a single-test skip loop, no hashing (C++) 42a)
        (Verify match or recover from mismatch (C++) 38a)
     return textEnd;
Used in part 39e.
(Compute skip table and mismatch shift, no hashing (C++) 41b) \equiv
     m = next.size();
     for (j = Trait::suffix_size - 1; j < m - 1; ++j)
       skip[*(pattern + j)] = m - 1 - j;
     mismatch_shift = skip[*(pattern + m - 1)];
     skip[*(pattern + m - 1)] = 0;
Used in part 41a.
```

```
⟨Scan the text using a single-test skip loop, no hashing (C++) 42a⟩ ≡
do {
    k += skip[*(textEnd + k)];
} while (k < 0);
if (k < pattern_size)
    return textEnd;
k -= adjustment;</pre>
Used in part 41a.
```

B.3 DNA Search Functions and Traits

The following definitions are for use in DNA search experiments. Four different search functions are defined using 2, 3, 4, or 5 characters as arguments to hash functions.

```
"DNA_search.h" 42b \equiv
     #ifdef __STL_MEMBER_TEMPLATES
        (Define DNA search traits 43a)
        (Define DNA search traits without using member templates 43b)
     #endif
     template <class RandomAccessIterator1, class RandomAccessIterator2>
     inline RandomAccessIterator1 hal2(RandomAccessIterator1 text,
                                        RandomAccessIterator1 textEnd,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 pattern,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 patternEnd)
     {
       return search_hashed(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd,
                             (search_trait_dna2*)0);
     }
     template <class RandomAccessIterator1, class RandomAccessIterator2>
     inline RandomAccessIterator1 hal3(RandomAccessIterator1 text,
                                        RandomAccessIterator1 textEnd,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 pattern,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 patternEnd)
       return search_hashed(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd,
                             (search_trait_dna3*)0);
     }
     template <class RandomAccessIterator1, class RandomAccessIterator2>
     inline RandomAccessIterator1 hal4(RandomAccessIterator1 text,
                                        RandomAccessIterator1 textEnd,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 pattern,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 patternEnd)
       return search_hashed(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd,
                             (search_trait_dna4*)0);
     template <class RandomAccessIterator1, class RandomAccessIterator2>
     inline RandomAccessIterator1 hal5(RandomAccessIterator1 text,
                                        RandomAccessIterator1 textEnd,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 pattern,
                                        RandomAccessIterator2 patternEnd)
       return search_hashed(text, textEnd, pattern, patternEnd,
```

```
(search_trait_dna5*)0);
     }
\langle \text{Define DNA search traits 43a} \rangle \equiv
     struct search_trait_dna2 {
       enum {hash_range_max = 64};
       enum {suffix_size = 2};
       template <class RAI>
       inline static unsigned int hash(RAI i) {
         return (*(i-1) + ((*i) << 3)) & 63;
     };
     struct search_trait_dna3 {
       enum {hash_range_max = 512};
       enum {suffix_size = 3};
       template <class RAI>
      inline static unsigned int hash(RAI i) {
         return (*(i-2) + (*(i-1) << 3) + ((*i) << 6)) & 511;
      }
     };
     struct search_trait_dna4 {
       enum {hash_range_max = 256};
       enum {suffix_size = 4};
       template <class RAI>
      inline static unsigned int hash(RAI i) {
         return (*(i-3) + (*(i-2) << 2) + (*(i-1) << 4)
                + ((*i) << 6)) & 255;
       }
     };
     struct search_trait_dna5 {
       enum {hash_range_max = 256};
       enum {suffix_size = 5};
       template <class RAI>
       inline static unsigned int hash(RAI i) {
         return (*(i-4) + (*(i-3) << 2) + (*(i-2) << 4)
                + (*(i-1) << 6) + ((*i) << 8)) & 255;
       }
     };
```

As with the generic and character sequence search traits, we also provide a version of the

DNA traits that work with compilers that do not support member function templates.

⟨Define DNA search traits without using member templates 43b⟩ ≡
 typedef unsigned char unsigned_char;

#define search_trait_helper_macro(Iterator) \
 inline static unsigned int hash(Iterator i) {
 return (*(i-1) + ((*i) << 3)) & 63; }

struct search_trait_dna2 {
 enum {hash_range_max = 64};
 enum {suffix_size = 2};
 search_trait_helper_macro(unsigned_char*)</pre>

Used in part 42b.

```
search_trait_helper_macro(const unsigned_char*)
 search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::iterator)
 search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::const_iterator)
};
#undef search_trait_helper_macro
struct search_trait_dna3 {
 enum {hash_range_max = 512};
 enum {suffix_size = 3};
# define search_trait_helper_macro(Iterator)
 inline static unsigned int hash(Iterator i) {
   return (*(i-2) + (*(i-1) << 3) + ((*i) << 6)) & 511; \
 typedef unsigned char unsigned_char;
 search_trait_helper_macro(unsigned_char*)
 search_trait_helper_macro(const unsigned_char*)
 search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::iterator)
  search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::const_iterator)
# undef search_trait_helper_macro
};
struct search_trait_dna4 {
 enum {hash_range_max = 256};
 enum {suffix_size = 4};
# define search_trait_helper_macro(Iterator)
  inline static unsigned int hash(Iterator i) {
   return (*(i-3) + (*(i-2) << 2) + (*(i-1) << 4)
           + ((*i) << 6)) & 255;
 typedef unsigned char unsigned_char;
 search_trait_helper_macro(unsigned_char*)
 search_trait_helper_macro(const unsigned_char*)
 search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::iterator)
 search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::const_iterator)
# undef search_trait_helper_macro
struct search_trait_dna5 {
 enum {hash_range_max = 256};
  enum {suffix_size = 5};
# define search_trait_helper_macro(Iterator)
 inline static unsigned int hash(Iterator i) {
   return (*(i-4) + (*(i-3) << 2) + (*(i-2) << 4)
           + (*(i-1) << 6) + ((*i) << 8)) & 255;
 }
 typedef unsigned char unsigned_char;
 search_trait_helper_macro(unsigned_char*)
 search_trait_helper_macro(const unsigned_char*)
 search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::iterator)
 search_trait_helper_macro(deque<unsigned_char>::const_iterator)
# undef search_trait_helper_macro
};
```

Used in part 42b.

B.4 Simple Tests

In the test programs we want to compare the new search functions with the existing search function from an STL algorithm library implementation, so we rename the existing one.

```
⟨Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a⟩ ≡
   #define search stl_search
   #define __search __stl_search
   #include <algo.h>
   #undef search
   #undef __search
Used in parts 45b, 48, 50e, 53, 54d, 58a, 59c.
```

As in the Ada version of the code, the first test program simply reads short test sequences from a file and reports the results of running the different search algorithms on them.

```
"test_search.cpp" 45b \equiv
      (Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a)
     #include <iostream.h>
     #include <fstream.h>
     #include "new_search.h"
     #include "hume.hh"
     #include "DNA_search.h"
     int Base_Line;
      \langle \text{Define procedure to read string into sequence } (C++) 47b \rangle
     typedef unsigned char data;
      (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++) 45c)
      \langle \text{Define Report procedure } (C++) 47d \rangle
     int main()
       ostream_iterator<char> out(cout, "");
       ifstream ifs("small.txt");
       vector<data> Comment, S1, S2;
       const char* separator = "";
       for (;;) {
           \langle \text{Read test sequences from file (C++) 46} \rangle
           \langle \text{Run tests and report results (C++) 47c} \rangle
       }
     }
(Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++) 45c) \equiv
     enum algorithm_enumeration {
           Dummy, SF, L, HAL, ABM, TBM, GBM, HAL2, HAL3, HAL4, HAL5
     };
     const char* algorithm_names[] = {
           "selection code", "SF", "L", "HAL", "ABM", "TBM", "GBM",
           "HAL2", "HAL3", "HAL4", "HAL5"
     };
     #ifndef DNA_TEST
       algorithm_enumeration alg[] = {Dummy, SF, L, HAL, ABM, TBM};
       const char textFileName[] = "long.txt";
       const char wordFileName[] = "words.txt";
       algorithm_enumeration alg[] = {Dummy, SF, L, HAL, ABM, GBM,
                                          HAL2, HAL3, HAL4, HAL5};
       const char textFileName[] = "dnatext.txt";
       const char wordFileName[] = "dnaword.txt";
     #endif
```

```
const int number_of_algorithms = sizeof(alg)/sizeof(alg[0]);
     template <class Container, class Container__const_iterator>
     inline void
        Algorithm(int k, const Container& x, const Container& y,
                   Container__const_iterator& result)
       switch (alg[k]) {
       case Dummy:
          // does nothing, used for timing overhead of test loop
          result = x.begin(); return;
       case SF:
          result = stl_search(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case L:
          result = __search_L(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case HAL:
          result = search(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case ABM:
          result = fbm(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case TBM:
          result = hume(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case GBM:
          result = gdbm(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case HAL2:
          result = hal2(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case HAL3:
          result = hal3(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case HAL4:
          result = hal4(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case HAL5:
          result = hal5(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       }
       result = x.begin(); return;
Used in parts 45b, 48, 50e.
\langle \text{Read test sequences from file (C++) 46} \rangle \equiv
     get(ifs, Comment);
     if (ifs.eof())
       break;
     copy(Comment.begin(), Comment.end(), out); cout << endl;</pre>
     get(ifs, S1);
     (Check for unexpected end of file (C++) 47a)
     cout << "Text string:....";</pre>
     copy(S1.begin(), S1.end(), out);
     cout << endl;</pre>
     get(ifs, S2);
     (Check for unexpected end of file (C++) 47a)
     cout << "Pattern string:...";</pre>
     copy(S2.begin(), S2.end(), out); cout << endl;</pre>
Used in part 45b.
```

```
\langle \text{Check for unexpected end of file (C++) 47a} \rangle \equiv
      if (ifs.eof()) {
        cout << "**** Unexpected end of file." << endl;</pre>
        exit(1);
Used in part 46.
(Define procedure to read string into sequence (C++) 47b) \equiv
      template <class Container>
      void get(istream& is, Container& S) {
        S.erase(S.begin(), S.end());
        char ch;
        while (is.get(ch)) {
          if (ch == '\n')
            break;
          S.push_back(ch);
      }
Used in part 45b.
\langle \text{Run tests and report results (C++) } 47c \rangle \equiv
      Base_Line = 0;
     for (int k = 1; k < number_of_algorithms; ++k) {</pre>
        cout << "Using " << algorithm_names[k] << ":" << endl;</pre>
        Report(algorithm_enumeration(k), S1, S2, separator);
      cout << endl;</pre>
Used in parts 45b, 50b, 50d.
\langle \text{Define Report procedure (C++) 47d} \rangle \equiv
      template <class Container>
      void Report(algorithm_enumeration k, const Container& S1,
                   const Container& S2, const char* separator)
      {
        typename Container::const_iterator P;
        Algorithm(k, S1, S2, P);
        cout << " String " << '"';
        copy(S2.begin(), S2.end(),
             ostream_iterator<typename Container::value_type>(cout, separator));
        if (P == S1.end())
          cout << '"' << " not found" << endl;</pre>
        else
          cout << '"' << " found at position " << P - S1.begin() << endl;</pre>
        if (Base_Line == 0)
          Base_Line = P - S1.begin();
        else
          if (P - S1.begin() != Base_Line)
            cout << "*****Incorrect result!" << endl;</pre>
      }
Used in parts 45b, 48, 58a.
```

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B.5 Large Tests

The following program for conducting tests on a long text sequence performs the same tests as the Ada version, plus searches for words of the requested pattern size selected from a given dictionary (which is read from a file).

```
"test_long_search.cpp" 48 \equiv
      (Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a)
      #include "new_search.h"
      #include "hume.hh"
      #include "DNA_search.h"
      #include <iterator.h>
      #include <vector.h>
      #include <map.h>
      #include <iostream.h>
      #include <fstream.h>
     #include <mstring.h>
      typedef unsigned char data;
      typedef vector < data > sequence;
      sequence S1, S2;
      int Base_Line, Number_Of_Tests, Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes, Increment;
      (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++) 45c)
      \langle \text{Define Report procedure } (C++) 47d \rangle
      int main()
        int F, K, j;
         \langle \text{Read test parameters (C++) 49a} \rangle
         (Read dictionary from file, placing words of size j in dictionary[j] 49b)
         \langle \text{Read character sequence from file (C++) 49d} \rangle
        for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j) {</pre>
           (Trim dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]] to have at most Number_Of_Tests words 49c)
          Increment = (S1.size() - Pattern_Size[j]) / Number_Of_Tests;
          cerr << Pattern_Size[j] << " " << flush;</pre>
          const char* separator = "";
           \langle \text{Output header (C++) } 50a \rangle
           \langle \text{Run tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 50b} \rangle
           \langle \text{Run tests searching for dictionary words (C++) 50d} \rangle
       }
     }
```

```
\langle \text{Read test parameters (C++) 49a} \rangle \equiv
      cout << "Input number of tests (for each pattern size): " << flush;</pre>
      cin >> Number_Of_Tests;
      cout << "Input number of pattern sizes: " << flush;</pre>
     cin >> Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes;
      cout << "Input pattern sizes: " << flush;</pre>
      vector<int> Pattern_Size(Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes);
     for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j)</pre>
        cin >> Pattern_Size[j];
      cout << "\nNumber of tests: " << Number_Of_Tests << endl;</pre>
      cout << "Pattern sizes: ";</pre>
      for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j)</pre>
        cout << Pattern_Size[j] << " ";</pre>
      cout << endl;</pre>
Used in parts 48, 50e, 53, 54d, 58a, 59c.
\langle \text{Read dictionary from file, placing words of size j in dictionary[j] } 49b \rangle \equiv
      ifstream dictfile(wordFileName);
      typedef istream_iterator<string, ptrdiff_t> string_input;
      typedef map<int, vector<sequence>, less<int> > map_type;
     map_type dictionary;
     sequence S;
     vector<char> S0;
      string_input si(dictfile);
     while (si != string_input()) {
        S0 = *si++;
        S.erase(S.begin(), S.end());
        copy(S0.begin(), S0.end() - 1, back_inserter(S));
        dictionary[S.size()].push_back(S);
Used in parts 48, 50e, 54d.
\langle \text{Trim dictionary}[\text{Pattern\_Size}[j]] \text{ to have at most Number\_Of\_Tests words } 49c \rangle \equiv
      vector<sequence>& diction = dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]];
      if (diction.size() > Number_Of_Tests) {
        vector<sequence> temp;
        int Skip_Amount = diction.size() / Number_Of_Tests;
        for (int T = 0; T < Number_Of_Tests; ++T) {</pre>
           temp.push_back(diction[T * Skip_Amount]);
        diction = temp;
Used in parts 48, 50e, 54d.
\langle \text{Read character sequence from file (C++) 49d} \rangle \equiv
      ifstream ifs(textFileName);
      char C;
     while (ifs.get(C))
        S1.push_back(C);
      cout << S1.size() << " characters read." << endl;</pre>
Used in parts 48, 50e, 54d.
```

```
\langle \text{Output header (C++) } 50a \rangle \equiv
      cout << "\n\n----\n"
            << "Searching for patterns of size " << Pattern_Size[j]</pre>
            << "..." << endl;
      cout << "(" << Number_Of_Tests << " patterns from the text, "</pre>
            << dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]].size() << " from the dictionary)" << endl;</pre>
Used in parts 48, 50e, 53, 54d, 58a, 59c.
\langle \text{Run tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 50b} \rangle \equiv
      for (K = 1; K <= Number_Of_Tests; ++K) {</pre>
         \langle \text{Select sequence S2 to search for in S1 (C++) 50c} \rangle
         \langle \text{Run tests and report results (C++) 47c} \rangle
      }
Used in parts 48, 58a.
(Select sequence S2 to search for in S1 (C++) 50c) \equiv
      S2.erase(S2.begin(), S2.end());
      copy(S1.begin() + F, S1.begin() + F + Pattern_Size[j], back_inserter(S2));
      F += Increment;
Used in part 50b.
\langle \text{Run tests searching for dictionary words } (\text{C++}) 50d \rangle \equiv
      for (K = 0; K < dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]].size(); ++K) {</pre>
        S2 = dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]][K];
         \langle \text{Run tests and report results (C++) 47c} \rangle
Used in part 48.
```

B.6 Timed Tests

Again, the following program for timing searches conducts the same searches as in the Ada version, plus searches for words of the requested pattern size selected from a given dictionary.

```
"time_long_search.cpp" 50e \equiv
     (Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a)
     #include "new_search.h"
     #include "hume.hh"
     #include "DNA_search.h"
     #include <iterator.h>
     #include <deque.h>
     #include <vector.h>
     #include <map.h>
     #include <iostream.h>
     #include <fstream.h>
     #include <time.h>
     #include <mstring.h>
     typedef unsigned char data;
     #ifndef APCC_BUG
       typedef vector < data > sequence;
     #else
     # define sequence vector<data>
```

```
#endif
sequence S1;
int Base_Line, Number_Of_Tests, Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes, Increment;
double Base_Time = 0.0;
(Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++) 45c)
\langle \text{Define run procedure (C++ forward) 51} \rangle
int main()
{
  int j;
   \langle \text{Read test parameters } (\text{C++}) 49a \rangle
   \langle \text{Read character sequence from file } (C++) 49d \rangle
   (Read dictionary from file, placing words of size j in dictionary[j] 49b)
  for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j) {</pre>
     ⟨Trim dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]] to have at most Number_Of_Tests words 49c⟩
    Increment = (S1.size() - Pattern_Size[j]) / Number_Of_Tests;
     \langle \text{Output header (C++) 50a} \rangle
    cerr << Pattern_Size[j] << " " << flush;</pre>
     \langle \text{Run and time tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 52b} \rangle
  }
  cerr << endl;</pre>
}
```

The following test procedure is programmed using forward iterator operations only, so that it can be applied to a non-random access container (e.g., list), assuming the designated algorithm works with forward iterators.

```
\langle \text{Define run procedure (C++ forward) 51} \rangle \equiv
     template <class Container>
     void Run(int k, const Container& S1,
               const vector<Container>& dictionary, int Pattern_Size)
     {
       typename Container::const_iterator P;
       int F = 0, d, K;
       double Start_Time, Finish_Time, Time_Taken;
       long Total_Search = 0;
       Start_Time = clock();
       Container S2;
       for (K = 1; K <= Number_Of_Tests; ++K) {</pre>
         typename Container::const_iterator u = S1.begin();
         advance(u, F);
         S2.erase(S2.begin(), S2.end());
         for (int I = 0; I < Pattern_Size; ++I)</pre>
           S2.push_back(*u++);
         F += Increment;
          (Run algorithm and record search distance 52a)
       }
       for (K = 0; K < dictionary.size(); ++K) {</pre>
         S2 = dictionary[K];
          (Run algorithm and record search distance 52a)
       }
       Finish_Time = clock();
        \langle \text{Output statistics (C++) 52c} \rangle
     }
```

```
Used in parts 50e, 53, 59c.

⟨Run algorithm and record search distance 52a⟩ ≡

Algorithm(k, S1, S2, P);
d = 0;
distance(S1.begin(), P, d);
Total_Search += d + Pattern_Size;

Used in parts 51, 57a.

⟨Run and time tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 52b⟩ ≡

Base_Time = 0.0;
for (int k = 0; k < number_of_algorithms; ++k) {
   if (k!=0)
        cout << "Timing " << algorithm_names[k] << ":" << endl;
   Run(k, S1, dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]], Pattern_Size[j]);
}
cout << endl;

Used in parts 50e, 53, 54d, 59c.
```

(Output statistics (C++) 52c) =
 Time_Taken = (Finish_Time - Start_Time)/CLOCKS_PER_SEC - Base_Time;
 if (k == 0)
 Base_Time = Time_Taken;
 else {
 cout << "Total search length: " << Total_Search << " elements" << endl;
 cout << "Time: " << Time_Taken << " seconds." << endl;
 double Speed = Time_Taken == 0.0 ? 0.0 :
 (double)Total_Search / 1000000 / Time_Taken;
 cout << "Speed: " << Speed << " elements/microsecond." << endl << endl;
}</pre>

Used in part 51.

B.7 Timed Tests (Large Alphabet)

Again, the following program for timing searches conducts the same searches as in the Ada version, plus searches for words of the requested pattern size selected from a given dictionary.

```
// does nothing, used for timing overhead of test loop
           result = x.begin(); return;
        case SF:
           result = stl_search(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case L:
           result = __search_L(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end() ); return;
        case HAL:
           result = search(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end() ); return;
           result = search_no_hashing(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end() ); return;
       result = x.begin(); return;
     }
Used in part 53.
"experimental_search.cpp" 53 \equiv
      (Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a)
     #include "new_search.h"
     #include "experimental_search.h"
     #include <iterator.h>
     #include <deque.h>
     #include <vector.h>
     #include <map.h>
     #include <iostream.h>
     #include <fstream.h>
     #include <time.h>
     typedef unsigned short data;
     #ifndef APCC_BUG
       typedef vector<data> sequence;
     #else
     # define sequence vector<data>
     #endif
     sequence S1;
     int Base_Line, Number_Of_Tests, Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes, Increment;
     double Base_Time = 0.0;
      (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++ large alphabet) 52d)
      \langle \text{Define run procedure (C++ forward) 51} \rangle
      (Define RandomNumberGenerator class 54a)
     int main()
        int j;
        \langle \text{Read test parameters } (C++) 49a \rangle
        \langle Generate data sequence 54b \rangle
        (Generate dictionary 54c)
        for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j) {</pre>
          Increment = (S1.size() - Pattern_Size[j]) / Number_Of_Tests;
          \langle \text{Output header (C++) 50a} \rangle
          cerr << Pattern_Size[j] << " " << flush;</pre>
           \langle \text{Run and time tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 52b} \rangle
       }
       cerr << endl;</pre>
     }
```

```
\langle Define RandomNumberGenerator class 54a \rangle \equiv
     int random(int max_value) { return rand() % max_value; }
     template <int MAX_VALUE> struct RandomNumberGenerator {
       int operator() () { return random(MAX_VALUE); }
     };
Used in part 53.
\langle Generate data sequence 54b \rangle \equiv
     generate_n(back_inserter(S1), 100000, RandomNumberGenerator<65535>());
Used in part 53.
\langle Generate dictionary 54c \rangle \equiv
     typedef map<int, vector<sequence >, less<int> > map_type;
     map_type dictionary;
     for(int i = 0; i < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++i) {</pre>
       int pattern_size = Pattern_Size[i];
       for(int j = 0; j < Number_Of_Tests; ++j) {</pre>
          int position = random(S1.size() - pattern_size);
          dictionary[pattern_size].push_back( sequence() );
          copy(S1.begin() + position, S1.begin() + position + pattern_size,
               back_inserter( dictionary[pattern_size].back() ) );
     }
Used in part 53.
```

B.8 Counted Tests

The following program runs the same searches as in the timing program, but in addition to times it records and reports counts of many different types of operations, including equality comparisons on data, iterator operations, and "distance operations," which are arithmetic operations on integer results of iterator subtractions. These counts are obtained without modifying the source code of the algorithms at all, by specializing their type parameters with classes whose operations have counters built into them.

```
"count_long_search.cpp" 54d \equiv
     (Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a)
     #include "new_search.h"
     #include "hume.hh"
     #include <iterator.h>
     #include <vector.h>
     #include <map.h>
     #include <iostream.h>
     #include <fstream.h>
     #include <time.h>
     #include <mstring.h>
     (Define types needed for counting operations 55)
     typedef vector < data > sequence;
     sequence S1;
     int Base_Line, Number_Of_Tests, Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes, Increment;
     double Base_Time = 0.0;
     (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++ counter) 56)
```

```
(Define run procedure (C++ counter) 57a)
     int main()
       int j;
        \langle \text{Read test parameters (C++) 49a} \rangle
        \langle \text{Read character sequence from file (C++) 49d} \rangle
        (Read dictionary from file, placing words of size j in dictionary[j] 49b)
       for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j) {</pre>
          ⟨Trim dictionary[Pattern_Size[j]] to have at most Number_Of_Tests words 49c⟩
         Increment = (S1.size() - Pattern_Size[j]) / Number_Of_Tests;
          \langle \text{Output header (C++) 50a} \rangle
         cerr << Pattern_Size[j] << " " << flush;</pre>
          \langle \text{Run and time tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 52b} \rangle
       }
       cerr << endl;</pre>
     }
\langle \text{Define types needed for counting operations } 55 \rangle \equiv
     #include "counter.h"
     #include "itercount.h"
     #include "distcount.h"
     typedef unsigned char basedata;
     typedef long counter_t;
     typedef counter<basedata, counter_t> data;
     // Should be able to use data in following definitions
     // but there is a bug in apCC that prevents it
     typedef distance_counter<vector<counter<basedata, counter_t> >::const_iterator,
                                  vector<counter<basedata, counter_t> >::difference_type,
                                          counter_t>
               cdistance;
     typedef iteration_counter<vector<counter<basedata, counter_t> >::const_iterator,
                                  const counter<basedata, counter_t>,
                                  const counter<basedata, counter_t> &, cdistance,
                                  vector<counter<basedata, counter_t> >::difference_type,
                                  counter_t>
              citer;
     struct iterator_traits<citer> {
       typedef random_access_iterator_tag iterator_category;
       typedef data value_type;
       typedef cdistance difference_type;
       typedef data* pointer;
       typedef data& reference;
     };
     #if __STL_ITERATOR_TRAITS_NEEDED
       ptr_iterator_traits(data);
     #endif
     struct search_trait_for_counting {
       enum {hash_range_max = 256};
       enum {suffix_size = 1};
       inline static unsigned int hash(const citer& i) {return (*i).base();}
     };
```

Used in part 54d.

```
\langle Define \ algorithm \ enumeration \ type, \ names, \ and \ selector \ function \ (C++ \ counter) \ 56 \rangle \equiv
     enum algorithm_enumeration {
          Dummy, STL_search, L, HAL, ABM, TBM
     const char* algorithm_names[] = {
          "selection code", "SF", "L", "HAL", "ABM", "TBM"
    };
     #ifndef LIST_TEST
     const int number_of_algorithms = 6;
     #else
     const int number_of_algorithms = 3;
     #endif
     const char textFileName[] = "long.txt";
     const char wordFileName[] = "words.txt";
    template <class Container, class Container__const_iterator>
     void Algorithm(int k, const Container& x, const Container& y,
                    Container__const_iterator& result)
     {
      switch (algorithm_enumeration(k)) {
      case Dummy:
         result = x.begin(); // does nothing, used for timing overhead of test loop
          return;
      case STL_search:
          result = stl_search(citer(x.begin()), citer(x.end()),
                              citer(y.begin()), citer(y.end())).base();
          return:
      case L:
          result = __search_L(citer(x.begin()), citer(x.end()),
                               citer(y.begin()), citer(y.end())).base();
          return;
     #ifndef LIST_TEST
       case HAL:
          result = search_hashed(citer(x.begin()), citer(x.end()),
                                  citer(y.begin()), citer(y.end()),
                                  (search_trait_for_counting*)0).base();
          return;
      case ABM:
          fbmprep((const basedata*)y.begin(), y.size());
          result = (typename Container::const_iterator)
                     fbmexec_cnt((const basedata*)x.begin(), x.size());
          data::accesses += ::pat.accs;
          data::equal_comparisons += ::pat.cmps;
          return;
       case TBM:
          humprep((const basedata*)y.begin(), y.size());
          result = (typename Container::const_iterator)
                     humexec_cnt((const basedata*)x.begin(), x.size());
          data::accesses += ::pat.accs;
          data::equal_comparisons += ::pat.cmps;
          result = result;
          return;
    #endif
      }
      result = x.begin();
       return;
    }
```

Used in part 54d.

```
\langle \text{Define run procedure (C++ counter) 57a} \rangle \equiv
     template <class Container>
     void Run(int k, const Container& S1,
               const vector<Container>& dictionary, int Pattern_Size)
       typename Container::const_iterator P;
       int F = 0, K, d;
       double Start_Time, Finish_Time, Time_Taken;
       long Total_Search = 0;
       data::reset();
       citer::reset();
       cdistance::reset();
       Start_Time = clock();
       Container S2;
       for (K = 1; K <= Number_Of_Tests; ++K) {</pre>
          typename Container::const_iterator u = S1.begin();
          advance(u, F);
          S2.erase(S2.begin(), S2.end());
          for (int I = 0; I < Pattern_Size; ++I)</pre>
            S2.push_back(*u++);
          F += Increment;
          (Run algorithm and record search distance 52a)
       }
       for (K = 0; K < dictionary.size(); ++K) {</pre>
          S2 = dictionary[K];
          (Run algorithm and record search distance 52a)
       Finish_Time = clock();
        (Output statistics (C++ counter) 57b)
     }
Used in part 54d.
\langle \text{Output statistics (C++ counter) 57b} \rangle \equiv
     Time_Taken = (Finish_Time - Start_Time)/CLOCKS_PER_SEC - Base_Time;
     if (k == 0)
       Base_Time = Time_Taken;
     else {
       data::report(cout, Total_Search, 4);
       citer::report(cout, Total_Search, 4);
       cdistance::report(cout, Total_Search, 4);
       cout << "Total search length: " << Total_Search << " elements" << endl;</pre>
       cout << "Time: " << Time_Taken << " seconds." << endl;</pre>
       double Speed = Time_Taken == 0.0 ? 0.0 :
          (double)Total_Search / 1000000 / Time_Taken;
       cout << "Speed: " << Speed << " elements/microsecond." << endl << endl;</pre>
```

Used in part 57a.

B.9 Application to Matching Sequences of Words

B.9.1 Large Tests

This C++ program specializes the generic search functions to work with sequences of words (character strings). It reads a text file in as a sequence of words, and for each of a specified

set of pattern sizes, it searches for word sequences of that size selected from evenly spaced positions in the target sequence. These searches are the counterpart of the first kind of searches done in the previous programs on character sequences; the dictionary word searches of the previous programs are omitted here.

```
"test_word_search.cpp" 58a ≡
      (Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a)
     #include "new_search.h"
     #include <iterator.h>
     #include <vector.h>
     #include <map.h>
     #include <iostream.h>
     #include <fstream.h>
     #include <mstring.h>
     typedef string data;
     typedef vector<string> sequence;
     #if __STL_ITERATOR_TRAITS_NEEDED
       ptr_iterator_traits(data);
     #endif
     sequence S1, S2;
     int Base_Line, Number_Of_Tests, Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes, Increment;
      (Define search trait for word searches 58b)
      (Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++ word) 59a)
      (Define Report procedure (C++) 47d)
     int main()
     {
        int F, K, j;
        \langle \text{Read test parameters (C++) 49a} \rangle
        typedef map<int, vector<sequence >, less<int> > map_type;
       map_type dictionary;
        \langle \text{Read word sequence from file (C++) 59b} \rangle
        cout << S1.size() << " words read." << endl;</pre>
        const char* separator = " ";
       for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j) {</pre>
          Increment = (S1.size() - Pattern_Size[j]) / Number_Of_Tests;
           \langle \text{Output header (C++) } 50a \rangle
           \langle \text{Run tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 50b} \rangle
       }
     }
```

For a hash function the program uses a mapping of a word to its first character. Although this would not be a good hash function in hashed associative table lookup, it works satisfactorily here because there is less need for uniformity of hash value distribution.

```
⟨Define search trait for word searches 58b⟩ ≡

struct search_word_trait {
   typedef vector<string>::const_iterator RAI;
   enum {hash_range_max = 256};
   enum {suffix_size = 1};
   inline static unsigned int hash(RAI i) {
     return (*i)[0];
   }
  };
Used in parts 58a, 59c.
```

```
(Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++ word) 59a) \equiv
     enum algorithm_enumeration {
          Dummy, STL_search, L, HAL
     };
     const char* algorithm_names[] = {
           "selection code", "SF", "L", "HAL"
     };
     #ifndef LIST_TEST
     const int number_of_algorithms = 4;
     #else
     const int number_of_algorithms = 3;
     #endif
     template <class Container, class Container__const_iterator>
     inline void
        Algorithm(int k, const Container& x, const Container& y,
                   Container__const_iterator& result)
     {
       switch (algorithm_enumeration(k)) {
       case Dummy:
          result = x.begin(); return; // does nothing, used for timing overhead of test loop
       case STL_search:
          result = stl_search(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
       case L:
          result = __search_L(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end()); return;
     #ifndef LIST_TEST
       case HAL:
          result = search_hashed(x.begin(), x.end(), y.begin(), y.end(),
              (search_word_trait*)0); return;
     #endif
       }
       result = x.begin(); return;
     }
Used in parts 58a, 59c.
\langle \text{Read word sequence from file (C++) 59b} \rangle \equiv
     ifstream ifs("long.txt");
     typedef istream_iterator<string, ptrdiff_t> string_input;
     copy(string_input(ifs), string_input(), back_inserter(S1));
```

Used in parts 58a, 59c.

B.9.2 Timed Tests

We also omit the dictionary searches in the following program which times searches for selected subsequences, in this case by defining a map from ints to empty dictionaries (in order to reuse some of the previous code).

```
"time_word_search.cpp" 59c \equiv \langle Include algorithms header with existing search function renamed 45a\rangle #include "new_search.h" #include <iterator.h> #include <vector.h> #include <map.h> #include <iostream.h> #include <fstream.h> #include <mstring.h>
```

```
#include <time.h>
//#include <list.h>
//#define LIST_TEST
typedef string data;
typedef vector<data> sequence;
#if __STL_ITERATOR_TRAITS_NEEDED
  ptr_iterator_traits(data);
#endif
sequence S1, S2;
int Base_Line, Number_Of_Tests, Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes, Increment;
double Base_Time = 0.0;
(Define search trait for word searches 58b)
(Define algorithm enumeration type, names, and selector function (C++ word) 59a)
\langle \text{Define run procedure (C++ forward) 51} \rangle
int main()
{
  int j;
   \langle \text{Read test parameters (C++) 49a} \rangle
  typedef map<int, vector<sequence >, less<int> > map_type;
  map_type dictionary;
   \langle \text{Read word sequence from file (C++) 59b} \rangle
  cout << S1.size() << " words read." << endl;</pre>
  for (j = 0; j < Number_Of_Pattern_Sizes; ++j) {</pre>
    Increment = (S1.size() - Pattern_Size[j]) / Number_Of_Tests;
     \langle \text{Output header (C++) 50a} \rangle
     \langle \text{Run and time tests searching for selected subsequences (C++) 52b} \rangle
  }
}
```

B.10 Iterator Traits for Older Compilers

Some implementations of STL do not define the iterator traits that are part of the C++ standard library, because of missing compiler features. For use with such implementations and compilers we provide the following definitions using preprocessor macros.

```
(Iterator traits for use with STL libraries that do not supply them 60) \equiv
    template <class Iterator>
    struct iterator_traits {
      typedef Iterator::iterator_category iterator_category;
      typedef Iterator::value_type value_type;
      typedef Iterator::difference_type difference_type;
      typedef Iterator::pointer
                                           pointer;
       typedef Iterator::reference
                                           reference;
    };
    #define ptr_iterator_traits(T)
    struct iterator_traits<T*> {
      typedef random_access_iterator_tag iterator_category;
      typedef T
                                          value_type;
      typedef ptrdiff_t
                                          difference_type;
      typedef T*
                                          pointer;
      typedef T&
                                          reference;
    };
    struct iterator_traits<const T*> {
```

Used in part 33.

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(Scan the text using the skip loop 4a) Referenced in part 5a.
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(Search traits for compilers without member template support 35) Referenced in part 34c.
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(Select sequence S2 to search for in S1 (C++) 50c) Referenced in part 50b.
(Select sequence S2 to search for in S1 31c) Referenced in parts 31b, 32b.
(Sequence declarations 23a) Referenced in parts 26b, 29c, 31e.
(Set file long.txt as input file 30b) Referenced in parts 29c, 31e.
(Set file small.txt as input file 27a) Referenced in part 26b.
(Simple hash function declarations 24a) Referenced in part 23b.
\langle {\rm Trim~dictionary}[{\rm Pattern\_Size}[j]]~{\rm to~have~at~most~Number\_Of\_Tests~words~49c}\rangle~{\rm Referenced~in~parts}
      48, 50e, 54d.
(User level search function with trait argument 37a) Referenced in part 33.
(User level search function 17a) Referenced in part 33.
(Variable declarations 26c) Referenced in part 26b.
(Verify match or recover from mismatch (C++) 38a) Referenced in parts 37b, 41a.
(Verify match or recover from mismatch 7b) Referenced in parts 7a, 11.
(Verify the match for positions 1 through pattern_size - 1 (C++) 38b) Referenced in part 38a.
(Verify the match for positions a + 1 through m - 1, with k translated 7c) Referenced in part 7b.
(Verify the match for positions a through m - 2 4b) Referenced in part 5a.
(Verify whether a match is possible at the position found (C++) 19a) Referenced in part 18a.
(Verify whether a match is possible at the position found 3c) Referenced in parts 2b, 23c.
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Pattern	Algorithm	Comparisons	Other	Big	Other	Distance	Total
Size			Accesses	Jumps	Iter Ops	Ops	Ops
2	SF	1.036	0.001	0.000	4.192	2.002	7.231
	L	1.028	0.001	0.000	4.095	0.177	5.301
	$_{ m HAL}$	0.018	0.513	0.551	1.104	2.431	4.617
	ABM	0.017	0.528	_			
	TBM	0.021	0.511	_			
4	SF	1.034	0.000	0.000	4.170	2.000	7.203
	${ m L}$	1.031	0.000	0.000	4.098	0.159	5.288
	$_{ m HAL}$	0.013	0.266	0.291	0.583	0.658	1.811
	ABM	0.013	0.277	_			
	TBM	0.014	0.266	_			_
6	SF	1.042	0.000	0.000	4.211	2.000	7.254
	L	1.037	0.000	0.000	4.119	0.194	5.350
	$_{ m HAL}$	0.011	0.189	0.211	0.422	0.482	1.315
	ABM	0.012	0.198	_			
	TBM	0.012	0.189	_	_		_
8	SF	1.048	0.000	0.000	4.243	2.000	7.291
	${ m L}$	1.042	0.000	0.000	4.135	0.220	5.396
	$_{ m HAL}$	0.010	0.150	0.170	0.339	0.392	1.060
	ABM	0.011	0.157	_			_
	TBM	0.011	0.150	_			_
10	SF	1.052	0.000	0.000	4.263	2.000	7.315
	${ m L}$	1.044	0.000	0.000	4.142	0.233	5.418
	$_{ m HAL}$	0.009	0.126	0.144	0.289	0.337	0.905
	ABM	0.010	0.132	_			
	TBM	0.010	0.126	_	_		_
14	SF	1.077	0.000	0.000	4.384	2.000	7.460
	${ m L}$	1.060	0.000	0.000	4.197	0.328	5.585
	$_{ m HAL}$	0.010	0.105	0.125	0.250	0.305	0.796
	ABM	0.010	0.109	_			_
	TBM	0.011	0.105			_	_
18	SF	1.105	0.000	0.000	4.525	2.000	7.629
	L	1.077	0.000	0.000	4.257	0.436	5.770
	$_{ m HAL}$	0.011	0.096	0.117	0.234	0.295	0.753
	ABM	0.010	0.099	_	_	_	—
	TBM	0.011	0.096				

Table 4: Average Number of Operations Per Character in English Text Searches