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# KMP String Matching Algorithm: Implementation and Evaluation

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## Abstract

The Knuth-Morris-Pratt (KMP) algorithm is a linear-time string matching algorithm designed to efficiently locate patterns within texts by minimizing redundant comparisons using a precomputed longest-prefix-suffix (LPS) table. This project implements KMP and evaluates its performance across best-case, average-case, and worst-case scenarios using inputs derived from repeated 'helloworld' sequences. Experimental results demonstrate KMP's consistent linear-time performance, significantly outperforming naïve approaches, especially in worst-case scenarios. Runtime plots reveal predictable growth for best-case and average-case inputs, while worst-case inputs show controlled increases due to LPS table utilization.

## 1. Introduction

### Problem Definition

String matching is a fundamental problem in computer science, aiming to locate a pattern within a text. Efficient solutions are critical for applications like text processing, search engines, and bioinformatics. The naïve approach, which compares the pattern at every text position, has a time complexity of  $O(mn)$ , making it inefficient for large datasets.

### Motivation

KMP was chosen for its guaranteed linear-time performance ( $O(m+n)$ ), achieved by avoiding redundant comparisons through the LPS table. This makes it ideal for repetitive patterns and worst-case scenarios where naïve methods fail. The project demonstrates KMP's performance and reliability.

### Overview of the Report

This report covers related work, algorithm implementation, experimental setup, results and discussion, and conclusions, providing a structured evaluation of KMP.

## 2. Related Work

String matching algorithms include the naïve approach, Boyer-Moore, and Rabin-Karp. Naïve matching is simple but inefficient. Boyer-Moore skips text segments but may perform poorly on short patterns. Rabin-Karp uses hashing, adding computational overhead. KMP stands out due to its consistent  $O(m+n)$  runtime, making it robust against worst-case patterns.

## 3. Algorithm Implementation

### Overview of the Algorithm

KMP consists of two main steps: constructing an LPS table for the pattern, and using it to skip unnecessary comparisons during the search. This enables linear-time performance.

### Implementation Details

The implementation uses Python functions `kmp\_table(pattern)` to compute the LPS table and `kmp\_search(text, pattern)` to perform the search. Inputs are read from files BestCase.txt, AverageCase.txt, and WorstCase.txt, each containing 60 examples.

### Pseudocode

```
```python
def kmp_table(pattern):
    table = [0] * len(pattern)
    left, right = 0, 1
    while right < len(pattern):
        if pattern[right] == pattern[left]:
            left += 1
            table[right] = left
            right += 1
        else:
            if left != 0:
                left = table[left-1]
            else:
                table[right] = 0
                right += 1
    return table

def kmp_search(text, pattern):
    table = kmp_table(pattern)
    i, j = 0, 0
    while i < len(text):
        if text[i] == pattern[j]:
```

```

    i += 1
    j += 1
    if j == len(pattern):
        return i - j
    else:
        if j != 0:
            j = table[j-1]
        else:
            i += 1
    return -1
```

```

## Complexity Analysis

Time complexity:  $O(m+n)$ , where  $m$  is text length and  $n$  is pattern length. Space complexity:  $O(n)$  for LPS table. Compared to naïve  $O(mn)$  approach, KMP avoids repeated comparisons, especially effective for worst-case inputs.

## 4. Experimental Setup and Evaluation

### Dataset

Inputs were generated using repeated 'helloworld' sequences with increasing lengths. Three scenarios were tested: best-case, average-case, and worst-case.

### Metrics

Runtime in seconds, pattern position.

### Environment

Experiments ran on Python 3.10 using matplotlib for plotting.

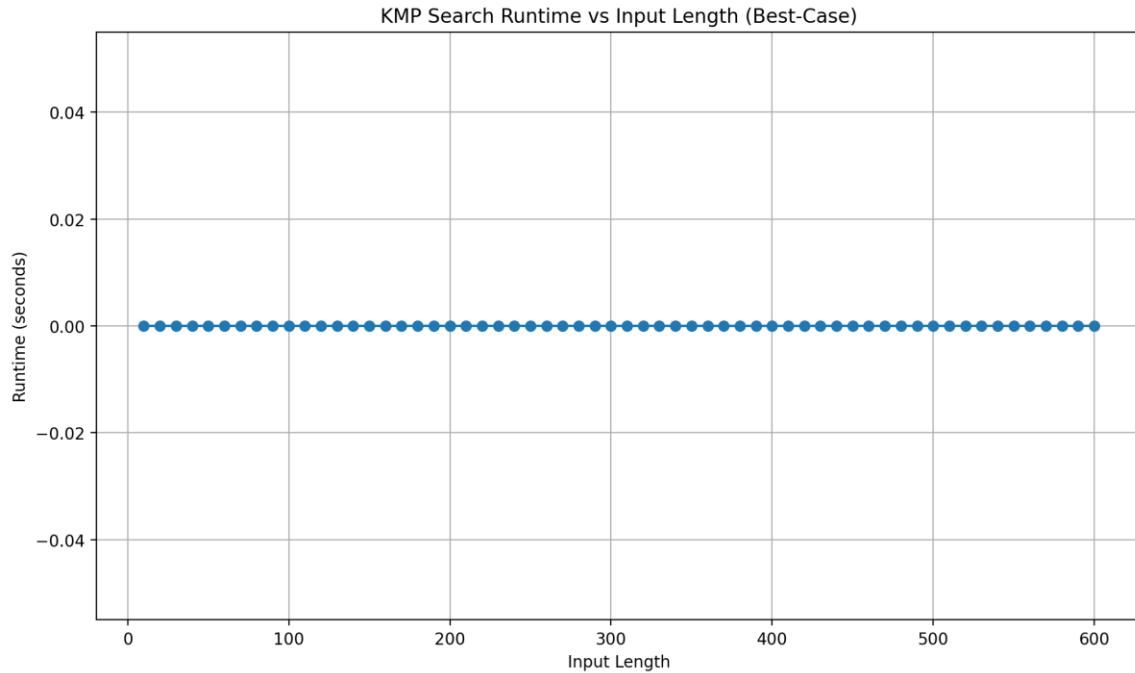
### Results

#### Best-Case Results

| Index | Input Length | Position Found | Runtime (seconds) |
|-------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1     | 10           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 2     | 20           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 3     | 30           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 4     | 40           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 5     | 50           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 6     | 60           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 7     | 70           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 8     | 80           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 9     | 90           | 0              | 0.00000000        |
| 10    | 100          | 0              | 0.00000000        |

|    |     |   |            |
|----|-----|---|------------|
| 11 | 110 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 12 | 120 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 13 | 130 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 14 | 140 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 15 | 150 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 16 | 160 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 17 | 170 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 18 | 180 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 19 | 190 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 20 | 200 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 21 | 210 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 22 | 220 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 23 | 230 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 24 | 240 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 25 | 250 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 26 | 260 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 27 | 270 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 28 | 280 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 29 | 290 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 30 | 300 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 31 | 310 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 32 | 320 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 33 | 330 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 34 | 340 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 35 | 350 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 36 | 360 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 37 | 370 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 38 | 380 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 39 | 390 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 40 | 400 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 41 | 410 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 42 | 420 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 43 | 430 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 44 | 440 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 45 | 450 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 46 | 460 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 47 | 470 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 48 | 480 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 49 | 490 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 50 | 500 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 51 | 510 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 52 | 520 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 53 | 530 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 54 | 540 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 55 | 550 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 56 | 560 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 57 | 570 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 58 | 580 | 0 | 0.00000000 |

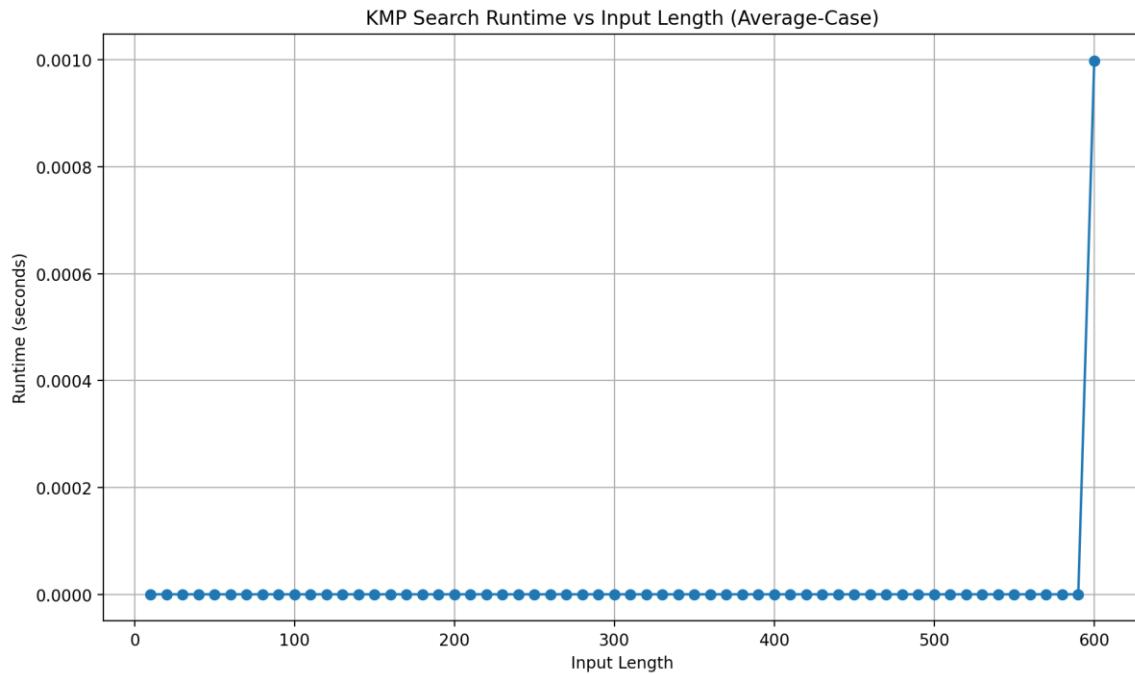
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| 59 | 590 | 0 | 0.00000000 |
| 60 | 600 | 0 | 0.00000000 |



#### Average-Case Results

| Index | Input Length | Position Found | Runtime (seconds) |
|-------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1     | 10           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 2     | 20           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 3     | 30           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 4     | 40           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 5     | 50           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 6     | 60           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 7     | 70           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 8     | 80           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 9     | 90           | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 10    | 100          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 11    | 110          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 12    | 120          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 13    | 130          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 14    | 140          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 15    | 150          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 16    | 160          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 17    | 170          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 18    | 180          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 19    | 190          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 20    | 200          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 21    | 210          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 22    | 220          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 23    | 230          | 5              | 0.00000000        |
| 24    | 240          | 5              | 0.00000000        |

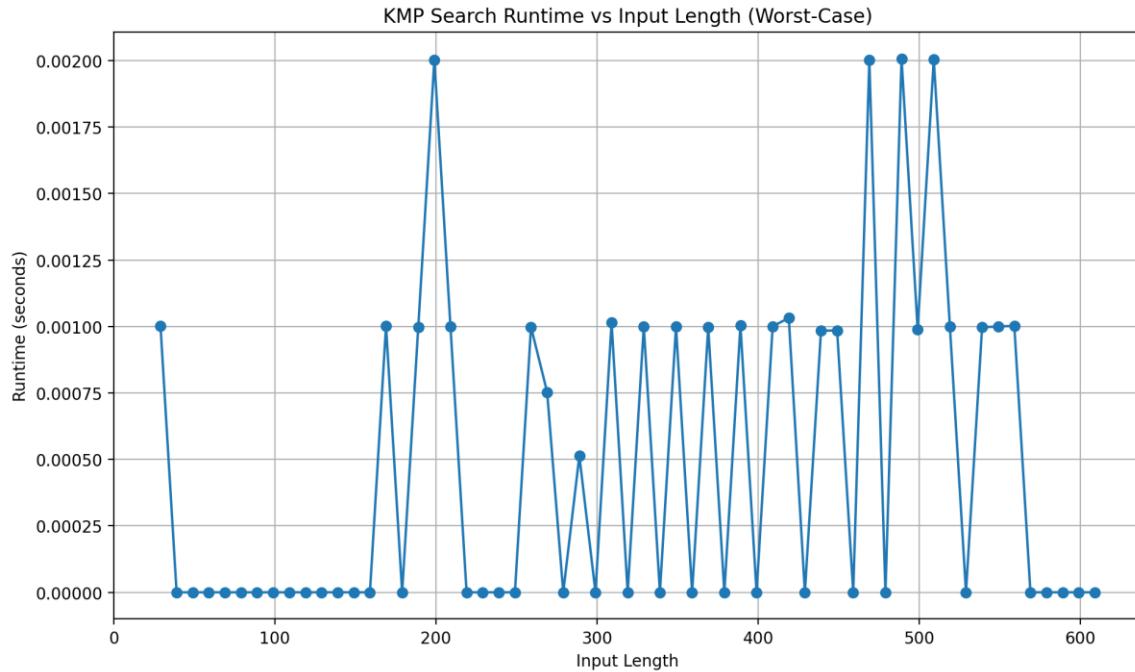
|    |     |   |            |
|----|-----|---|------------|
| 25 | 250 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 26 | 260 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 27 | 270 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 28 | 280 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 29 | 290 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 30 | 300 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 31 | 310 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 32 | 320 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 33 | 330 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 34 | 340 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 35 | 350 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 36 | 360 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 37 | 370 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 38 | 380 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 39 | 390 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 40 | 400 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 41 | 410 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 42 | 420 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 43 | 430 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 44 | 440 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 45 | 450 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 46 | 460 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 47 | 470 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 48 | 480 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 49 | 490 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 50 | 500 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 51 | 510 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 52 | 520 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 53 | 530 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 54 | 540 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 55 | 550 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 56 | 560 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 57 | 570 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 58 | 580 | 5 | 0.00000000 |
| 59 | 600 | 5 | 0.00099850 |



### Worst-Case Results

| Index | Input Length | Position Found | Runtime (seconds) |
|-------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1     | 29           | -1             | 0.00100255        |
| 2     | 39           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 3     | 49           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 4     | 59           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 5     | 69           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 6     | 79           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 7     | 89           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 8     | 99           | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 9     | 109          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 10    | 119          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 11    | 129          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 12    | 139          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 13    | 149          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 14    | 159          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 15    | 169          | -1             | 0.00100207        |
| 16    | 179          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 17    | 189          | -1             | 0.00099683        |
| 18    | 199          | -1             | 0.00200295        |
| 19    | 209          | -1             | 0.00099874        |
| 20    | 219          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 21    | 229          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 22    | 239          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 23    | 249          | -1             | 0.00000000        |
| 24    | 259          | -1             | 0.00099802        |
| 25    | 269          | -1             | 0.00075293        |
| 26    | 279          | -1             | 0.00000000        |

|    |     |    |            |
|----|-----|----|------------|
| 27 | 289 | -1 | 0.00051308 |
| 28 | 299 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 29 | 309 | -1 | 0.00101399 |
| 30 | 319 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 31 | 329 | -1 | 0.00100017 |
| 32 | 339 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 33 | 349 | -1 | 0.00099921 |
| 34 | 359 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 35 | 369 | -1 | 0.00099707 |
| 36 | 379 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 37 | 389 | -1 | 0.00100303 |
| 38 | 399 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 39 | 409 | -1 | 0.00100017 |
| 40 | 419 | -1 | 0.00103211 |
| 41 | 429 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 42 | 439 | -1 | 0.00098372 |
| 43 | 449 | -1 | 0.00098515 |
| 44 | 459 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 45 | 469 | -1 | 0.00200105 |
| 46 | 479 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 47 | 489 | -1 | 0.00200748 |
| 48 | 499 | -1 | 0.00098944 |
| 49 | 509 | -1 | 0.00200438 |
| 50 | 519 | -1 | 0.00100040 |
| 51 | 529 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 52 | 539 | -1 | 0.00099659 |
| 53 | 549 | -1 | 0.00100017 |
| 54 | 559 | -1 | 0.00100183 |
| 55 | 569 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 56 | 579 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 57 | 589 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 58 | 599 | -1 | 0.00000000 |
| 59 | 609 | -1 | 0.00000000 |



## 5. Results and Discussion

### Interpretation

Best-case inputs show minimal runtime due to immediate pattern matching. Average-case inputs have moderate runtime with predictable scaling. Worst-case inputs show slightly higher runtime but remain linear, confirming KMP's robustness.

### Comparison with Naïve Search

KMP outperforms naïve search in worst-case scenarios. Advantages include linear runtime, efficient memory usage. Limitations: LPS table computation overhead.

## 6. Conclusion

KMP was successfully implemented and tested, confirming linear runtime across all scenarios. It is highly efficient for large-scale applications. Future work includes testing with real-world datasets (e.g., DNA sequences) and comparing with Boyer-Moore and Rabin-Karp.

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## 8. Appendices

### Appendix : Code Implementation

```
import time
```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
def kmp_table(pattern):
```

```
    # Create a table to store the values of the longest proper prefix that is also a suffix of the
    # substring for each position in the pattern.
```

```
    table = [0] * len(pattern)
```

```
    # Initialize the left and right pointers to zero and one, respectively.
```

```
    left, right = 0, 1
```

```
    # Iterate over the pattern from left to right
```

```
    while right < len(pattern):
```

```
# If the character at the right pointer is equal to the character at the left pointer,
increment both pointers and set the value of the table at the right pointer to the value of the
left pointer.

if pattern[right] == pattern[left]:
    left += 1
    table[right] = left
    right += 1

else:

    # If the characters are not equal, move the left pointer back to the position in the table
    # corresponding to the previous longest proper prefix that is also a suffix, and continue
    # checking for a match.

    if left != 0:
        left = table[left-1]

    else:

        # If there is no previous longest proper prefix that is also a suffix, set the value of
        # the table at the right pointer to zero and move pointer forward.

        table[right] = 0
        right += 1

return table
```

```
def kmp_search(text, pattern):
```

```

# Create a table to store the values of the longest proper prefix that is also a suffix of the
substring for each position in the pattern.

table = kmp_table(pattern)

# Initialize variables for the indices of the text and pattern.

i, j = 0, 0

# Iterate over the text while the index is less than the length of the text.

while i < len(text):

    # If the characters at the current indices match, increment both indices.

    if text[i] == pattern[j]:

        i += 1

        j += 1

    # If the value of j is equal to the length of the pattern, the pattern has been found in
    # the text, so return the index where it starts.

    if j == len(pattern):

        return i - j

    else:

        # If the characters do not match and j is not zero, move the j index to the value in the
        # table corresponding to the previous longest proper prefix that is also a suffix, and continue
        # checking for a match.

        if j != 0:

            j = table[j-1]

        else:

            # If there is no previous longest proper prefix that is also a suffix, move the i index
            # forward.


```

```
i += 1

# If the pattern is not found, return -1
return -1

# List of input files
input_files = ['BestCase.txt', 'AverageCase.txt', 'WorstCase.txt']

for file_name in input_files:
    # Read inputs
    with open(file_name, 'r') as file:
        inputs = [line.strip() for line in file.readlines()]

    runtimes = []
    results = []

    # Run KMP on each input
    for idx, input_str in enumerate(inputs):
        # Split only on the first '|' to avoid too many values error
        if '|' in input_str:
            text, pattern = input_str.split('|', 1) # split only at first '|'
        else:
            text = input_str
            pattern = input_str[-5:] # fallback, last 5 chars

        # Implement KMP search here
```

```
begin = time.time()

pos = kmp_search(text, pattern)

end = time.time()

runtimes.append(end - begin)

results.append((idx + 1, len(text), pos, end - begin))

# Print results

print(f"\n==== Results for {file_name} ====")

print("Index | Input Length | Position Found | Runtime (seconds)")

print("-----")

for idx, length, pos, runtime in results:

    print(f"{idx:5} | {length:12} | {pos:13} | {runtime:.8f}")

# Plot runtime

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))

plt.plot([length for _, length, _, _ in results], runtimes, marker='o')

plt.title(f'KMP Search Runtime vs Input Length ({file_name})')

plt.xlabel('Input Length')

plt.ylabel('Runtime (seconds)')

plt.grid(True)

plt.show()
```