

# BOYER MOORE HORSPOOL

Pattern Matching Algorithm



# Algorithm

- Construct “Bad Match Table”
- Compare pattern to text, starting from rightmost character in pattern
- If mismatch, move pattern forward corresponding to value in the Bad Match Table.

# Bad Match Table

- Construct Bad Match Table
- Value = length – index – 1

Word	T	O	O	T	H
Index	0	1	2	3	4

Table

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value				



Word	T	O	O	T	H
Index	0	1	2	3	4

Table

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	4			

$$T = 5 - 0 - 1 = 4$$



Word	T	O	O	T	H
Index	0	1	2	3	4

Table

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	4	3		

$$0 = 5 - 1 - 1 = 3$$



Word	T	O	O	T	H
Index	0	1	2	3	4

Table

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	4	2		

$$O = 5 - 2 - 1 = 2$$



Word	T	O	O	T	H
Index	0	1	2	3	4

Table

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	1	2		

$$T = 5 - 3 - 1 = 1$$



Word	T	O	O	T	H
Index	0	1	2	3	4

## Table

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	1	2	5	5

Last letter = length if not already used



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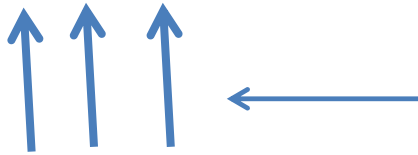


TOOTH

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	1	2	5	5

- Start comparing with right-most character at length.
- $T \neq H$
- Lookup T in table and shift right 1

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TOOTH

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	1	2	5	5

- $H == H$ ,  $T == T$ ,  $O != S$ .
- S not in table so shift right 5

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TOOTH

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	1	2	5	5

- $H \neq O$
- Lookup O in table and shift right 2

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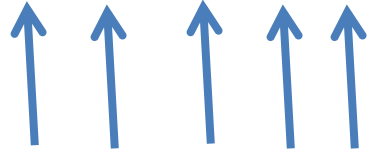


TOOTH

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	1	2	5	5

- $H \neq T$
- Lookup T in table and shift right 1

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TOOTH

Letter	T	O	H	*
Value	1	2	5	5

- $H == H, T == T, O == O, O == O, T == T$
- Match

# Analysis

- Length of Text  $N$
- Length of Pattern  $M$
- Worst case is  $O(N * M) = O(N^2)$
- Best case is  $O(M / N)$
- Average case  $O(M / \Sigma)$