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# Data Structures and Algorithms in Python

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## Hints and Solutions

## Reinforcement

**R-13.1) Hint** The empty string is one of them.

**R-13.1) Solution** There are four: a, aa, aaa, and the empty string.

**R-13.2) Hint** Recall the definitions of prefix and suffix.

**R-13.2) Solution** The longest prefix that is also a suffix of this string is "cgtacg".

**R-13.3) Hint** Mimic the style of the text-matching figures in the book.

**R-13.3) Solution**

a	a	a	b	a	a	d	a	a	b	a	a	a
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	a	b	a	a	<u>a</u>
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	a	b	a	a	a
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a	a	a	b	a	a	d	a	a	b	a	a	a
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	a	b	a	a	<u>a</u>
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	<u>a</u>	b	a	a	a
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<u>a</u>	a	b	a	a	a
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a	a	b	a	a	a
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**R-13.5) Hint** Mimic the style of the text-matching figures in the book.

**R-13.5) Solution**

a	a	a	b	a	a	d	a	a	b	a	a	a
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a	a	<u>b</u>	a	a	a
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a	a	b	<u>a</u>	a	a
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a	a	b	<u>a</u>	a	a
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a	a	b	a	a	a
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**R-13.6) Hint** Use the algorithm presented in the book.

**R-13.7) Hint** Use the version of the algorithm presented in the book.

**R-13.8) Hint** Draw the entire table for the dynamic programming algorithm.

**R-13.9) Hint** All answers are encoded in the table.

**R-13.9) Solution** Two additional common substrings are CTAATA and GTAATA.



**C-13.18) Hint** Use symmetry to redesign the search from right to left, including the definition of the failure function.

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Define  $s = j - k$  for the sake of analysis. One of the following conditions occurs at each iteration of the loop:

- If  $P[j] = P[k]$ , then  $j$  increases by 1, and  $s$  does not change, since  $k$  also increases by 1.
- If  $P[j] \neq P[k]$  and  $k > 0$ , then  $j$  does not change and  $s$  increases by at least 1, since in this case  $s$  changes from  $j - k$  to  $j - f(k - 1)$ , which is an addition of  $k - f(k - 1)$ , which is positive because  $f(k - 1) < k$ .
- If  $P[j] \neq P[k]$  and  $k = 0$ , then  $j$  increases by 1 and  $s$  increases by 1, since  $k$  does not change.

Since either  $j$  or  $s$  (or both) increase by at least one during each iteration, and yet both are bounded by  $m$ , the number of iterations is at most  $2m$ . Therefore, `find_kmp` runs in  $O(m)$  time.

**C-13.23) Hint** Consider modifying the KMP matching algorithm.

**C-13.23) Solution** Modify the `find_kmp` algorithm to maintain a variable *maxIndex* which is the index of the longest prefix found, *maxLen* which is the length of the longest prefix found, and *currentLen* which is the length of the current prefix. Initialize all three variables to zero and modify the loop in `find_kmp` as follows:

- If  $T[j] = P[k]$ , increment *currentLen*
- If  $T[j] \neq P[k]$  and  $k > 0$ , if *currentLen* > *maxLen*, then set *maxLen* = *currentLen* and *maxIndex* =  $j - k$ . In any case, reset *currentLen* = 0.

When the algorithm terminates, *maxIndex* and *maxLen* will hold the location and length of the longest prefix.

**C-13.24) Hint** Convert this problem to a noncircular pattern-matching problem.

**C-13.24) Solution** Generate a new text  $T' = T[n - m \dots n] + T[0 \dots m]$ . Run `find_kmp` on  $T'$  and  $P$ .

**C-13.25) Hint** The failure function can now take advantage of the fact that it knows what does match in the mismatched location.

**C-13.26) Hint** You need to incorporate a failure function with the Boyer-Moore heuristics.

**C-13.27) Hint** Keep around extra information in the table for the dynamic programming algorithm.

**C-13.28) Hint** Anatjari should use a greedy algorithm.

**C-13.28) Solution** Anatjari should use a greedy algorithm. He should draw a line between every pair of watering holes that are within  $k$  miles of one another, for he can get from one to the other with one bottle of water. Anatjari should then use a path that uses the fewest number of lines and leads from his present position to a watering hole that is within  $k$  miles of the other side. There can be no path with fewer stops, for he is including in his minimization all pairs of watering holes that can be reached with one bottle of water.

**C-13.29) Hint** First give as many quarters as possible.

**C-13.29) Solution** First give as many quarters as possible, then dimes, then nickels and finally pennies.

**C-13.30) Hint** Don't use normal denominations like you would find in a country on earth.

**C-13.30) Solution** If the denominations are \$0.25, \$0.24, \$0.01, then a greedy algorithm for making change for 48 cents would give 1 quarter and 23 pennies.

**C-13.31) Hint** We can use a greedy algorithm.

**C-13.31) Solution** We can use a greedy algorithm, which seeks to cover all the designated points on  $L$  with the fewest number of length-2 intervals (for such an interval is the distance one guard can protect). This greedy algorithm starts with  $x_0$  and covers all the points that are within distance 2 of  $x_0$ . If  $x_i$  is the next uncovered point, then we repeat this same covering step starting from  $x_i$ . We then repeat this process until we have covered all the points in  $X$ .

**C-13.32) Hint** There is a surprising similarity between this problem and the matrix chain-product problem.

**C-13.33) Hint** Consider using a prefix trie.

**C-13.34) Hint** Start by building a suffix trie.

**C-13.35) Hint** Review the LCS algorithm.

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**C-13.38) Hint** Use dynamic programming.

**C-13.39) Hint** Consider using a greedy algorithm.

**C-13.40) Hint** Use brute force, first to enumerate all pairs  $(a, b)$  such that  $a$  is in  $A$  and  $b$  is in  $B$ .

**C-13.41) Hint** Use dynamic programming.

**C-13.42) Hint** Build a prefix tree for  $X$  and a suffix tree for  $Y$ ...

**C-13.43) Hint** Start by locating the leaf that corresponds to the end of the string.

**C-13.43) Solution** Locate the leaf that corresponds to the end of the string. While walking back to the root of the trie, delete every leaf encountered. The running time of this algorithm is  $O(s)$  where  $s$  is the length of the string to be deleted.

**C-13.44) Hint** Start by locating the leaf that corresponds to the end of the string.

**C-13.45) Hint** Recall how you identify the branches of the suffix trie that can be compressed.

## Projects

**P-13.46) Hint** Stick to the smaller strings, since LCS is a quadratic algorithm.

**P-13.47) Hint** The edit distance algorithm is a dynamic program based on the LCS problem.

**P-13.48) Hint** You can find large documents on the Internet.

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**P-13.51) Hint** Try using inputs that are likely to cause both best-case and worst-case running times for various algorithms.

**P-13.52) Hint** You can rely on our implementation of trees and priority queues.

**P-13.53) Hint** Create some way of visualizing your standard trie so that you can verify that it is being constructed correctly.

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**P-13.55) Hint** Create some way of visualizing your prefix trie so that you can verify that it is being constructed correctly.

**P-13.56) Hint** Use an inverted file data structure.

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