# String matching

#### >>>

>>> import re

>>> r=re.compile(r"regexes\s(are|do)\s?(n[o']t)?\s(fun|boring)", re.I)

>>> def is\_match(x): return x is not None

>>> is\_match(re.match(r, "Regexes are fun!!!"))

True

>>> is\_match(re.match(r, "Regexes are not fun!!!"))

True

>>> is\_match(re.match(r, "Regexes aren't boring!!!"))

True

>>> is\_match(re.match(r, "Obviously, regexes are boring."))

False

>>> is\_match(re.search(r, "Obviously, regexes are boring."))

True

#### Announcements

Programming assignment 1 postedneed to submit a .sh file

The .sh file should just contain what you need to type to compile and run your program from the terminal

# String matching

#### Some pattern/string <u>P occurs with</u> <u>shift s</u> in text/string T if: for all k in [1, |P|]: P[k] equals T[s+k] 15 16 17 18 19 20 text a n a p a n a C a a m n a n a a D m a pattern a D n no match at position 0 m a n no match at position 1 a a m n no match at position 2 a n a p no match at position 3 a p n no match at position 4 a a p match at position 5 a

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Both the pattern, P, and text, T, come from the same finite alphabet,  $\Sigma$ .

empty string ("") =  $\epsilon$ w is a prefix of x=w [ x, means exists y s.t. wy = x (also implies  $|w| \le |x|$ ) (w ] x = w is a suffix of x)

#### Prefix

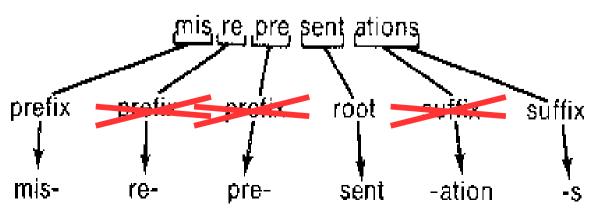
▶"bread"

w prefix of x means: all the first letters of x are w

prefixes of x - b , br , bre , brea suffixes of x - read , ead , ad , d

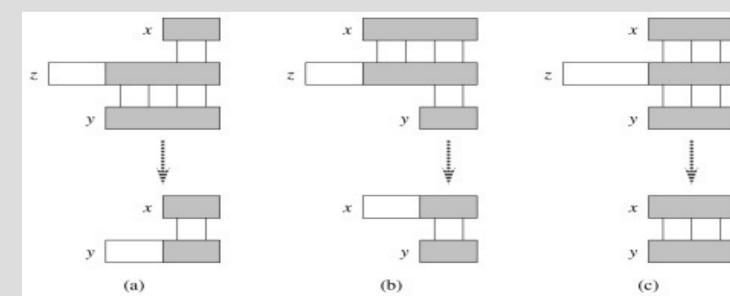
not english!

X



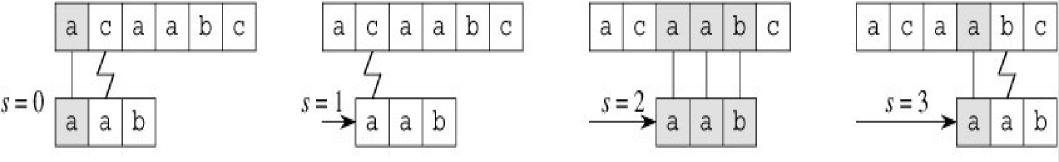
#### Suffix

#### If x ] z and y ] z, then: (a) If $|x| \le |y|$ , x ] y (b) If $|y| \le |x|$ , y ] x (c) If |x| = |y|, x = y



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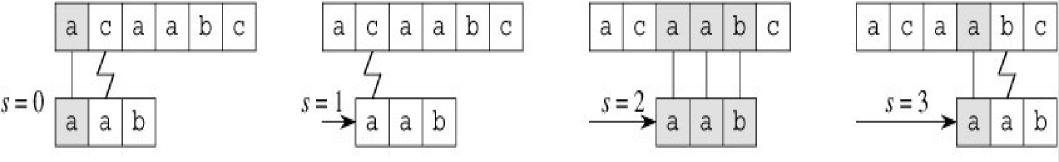
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(a) (b) (c) (see: naiveStringMatcher.py) Run time? O(|P| |T|)

A better way is to treat the pattern as a single numeric number, instead of a sequence of letters

So if P = {1, 2, 6} treat it as 126 and check for that value in T

The benefit is that it takes a(n almost) constant time to get the each number in T by the following: (Let t<sub>s</sub> = T[s, s+1, ..., s+|P|])

 $t_{s+1} = d(t_s - T[s+1]h) + T[s+|P|+1]$ where d = | Σ |, h= d<sup>|P|-1</sup>

- Example:  $\Sigma = \{0, 1, ..., 9\}, |\Sigma| = 10$   $T = \{1, 2, 6, 4, 7, 2\}$   $P = \{6, 4, 7\}$  $t_0 = 126$
- $t_{1} = 10(126-T[0+1]10^{3-1}) + T[0+|P|+1]$  $t_{1} = 10(126-100) + T[0+3+1]$

 $t_1 = 264$ 

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#### Hash functions



Modulus is a <u>one way function</u>, thus computing the modulus is easy but recovering the original number is hard/impossible

127 % 5 = 2, or 127 mod 5 = 2 mod 5 However if we want to solve x%5=2, all we can say is x=2+5k or some k

#### Other one way functions?

- Other one way functions? - multiplication - hashing
- Multiplication is famous, as it is easy: 200\*50 = 10,000 ... yet factoring is hard: 132773= 31 \* 4283 (what alg?)

Hashing is another commonly used function for security/verification, as...

- -fast (low computation)
- -low collision chance
- -cannot easily produce a specific hash

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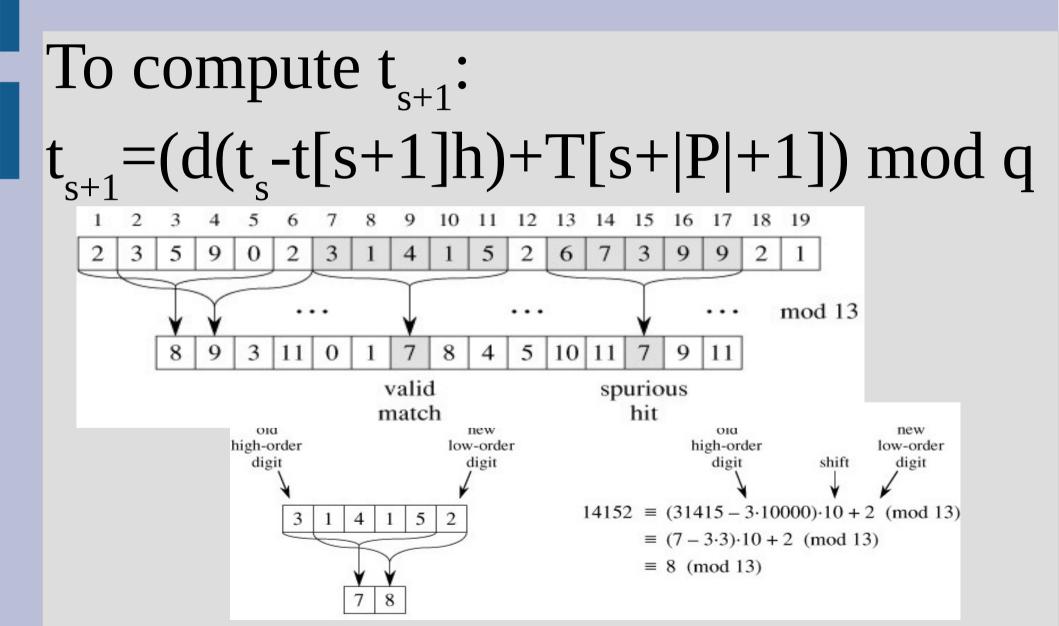
#### Hash functions



- Larger q (for mod):
- larger numbers = more computation
   less frequent errors
- There are trade-offs, but we often pick q > |P| but not q >> |P|

Pick a prime number as q

Rabin-Karp algorithm Kabin-Karp-Matcher(T,P, $|\Sigma|,q$ ,)  $d=|\Sigma|, h=d^{|P|-1} \mod q, p=0, t_0 = 0$ for i=1 to |P| // "preprocessing"  $p = (dp + P[i]) \mod q // \text{ for } P$  $t_0 = (dt_0 + T[i]) \mod q // \text{ for } T$ for s = 0 to |T| - |P|if  $p == t_{e}$ , check brute-force match at s if s < |T| - |P| then compute t<sub>s+1</sub>



#### Example: $T = \{1, 2, 5, 3, 5, 2, 6, 3\}$ P = {2, 5}, q = 5, assume base 10

Example:  $T = \{1, 2, 5, 3, 5, 2, 6, 3\}$  $P = \{2, 5\}, q = 5$ , assume base 10 <u>P = 25 mod 5 = 0</u>,  $t_0 = 12 \mod 5 = 2$  $t_{i+1} = 10*(t_i - T[i+1]*10) + T[i+|P|+1]%q$  $t_1 = 25 \mod 5 = 0$ , true match!  $t_{2} = 53 \mod 5 = 3$ ,  $t_{2} = 35 \mod 5 = 0$ , false match

- $T = \{1, 2, 5, 3, 5, 2, 6, 3\}, P = \{2, 5\}$
- $t_5 = 52 \mod 5 = 2$ ,
- $t_6 = 26 \mod 5 = 1$ ,
- $t_7 = 63 \mod 5 = 3$
- $t_{i+1} = 10*(t_i T[i+1]*10) + T[i+|P|+1]%q$

So only s=1 is match

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"preprocessing" (first loop) = O(|P|)
"matching" (second loop) = O(|T|)

# So O(|T|+|P|) and as n>m, O(|T|) on average

Worst case: always a match O(|T| |P|)