

CMSC423: Bioinformatic Algorithms, Databases and Tools

Exact string matching:
introduction

Sequence alignment: exact matching

ACAGGTACAGTTCCCTCGACACCTACTACCTAAG
CCTACT
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Text
Pattern

```
for i = 0 .. len(Text) {  
  for j = 0 .. len(Pattern) {  
    if (Pattern[j] != Text[i]) go to next i  
  }  
  if we got there pattern matches at i in Text  
}
```

Running time = $O(\text{len}(\text{Text}) * \text{len}(\text{Pattern})) = O(mn)$

What string achieves worst case?

Worst case?

AA
AAAAAAAAAAAAAT

$(m - n + 1) * n$ comparisons

Can we do better?

the Z algorithm (Gusfield)

For a string T , $Z[i]$ is the length of the longest prefix of $T[i..m]$ that matches a prefix of T . $Z[i] = 0$ if the prefixes don't match.

$$T[0 .. Z[i]] = T[i .. i+Z[i] - 1]$$

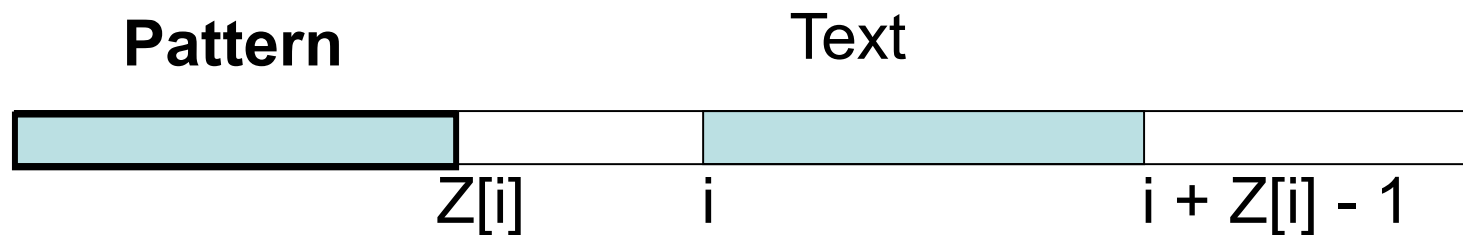


Example Z values

ACAGGTACAGTTCCCTCGACACCTACTACCTAAG
0010004010000000003020002002000110

Can the Z values help in matching?

Create string `Pattern$Text` where `$` is not in the alphabet



If there exists i , s.t. $Z[i] = \text{length}(\text{Pattern})$
Pattern occurs in the Text starting at i

example matching

CCTACT\$ACAGGTACAGTTCCCTCGACACCTACTACCTAAG
010010001000001000002310100106100100410000

- What is the largest Z value possible?

Can Z values be computed in linear time?

AAAGGTACAGTTCCCTCGACACCTACTACCTAAG

$Z[1]$? compare $T[1]$ with $T[0]$, $T[2]$ with $T[1]$, etc. until mismatch

$Z[1] = 2$

This simple process is still expensive:

$T[2]$ is compared when computing both $Z[1]$ and $Z[2]$.

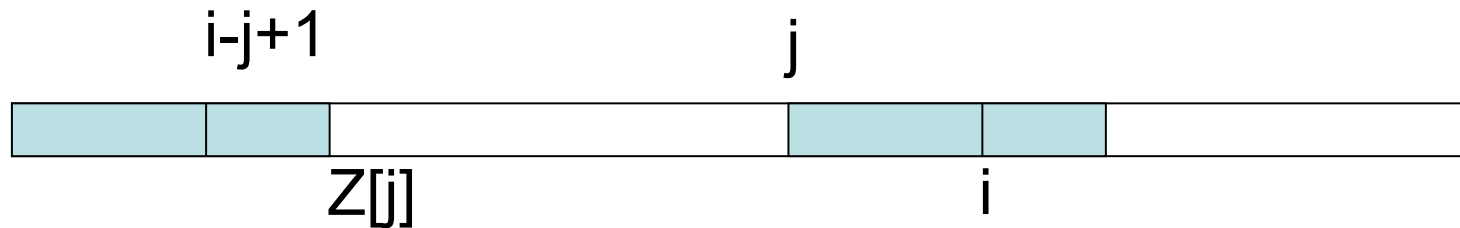
Trick to computing Z values in linear time:

each comparison must involve a character that was not compared before

Since there are only m characters in the string, the overall # of comparisons will be $O(m)$.

Basic idea: 1-D dynamic programming

Can $Z[i]$ be computed with the help of $Z[j]$ for $j < i$?



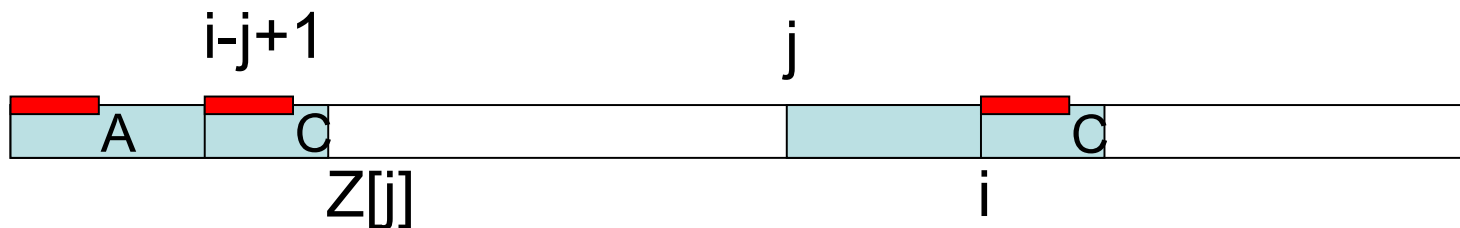
Assume there exists $j < i$, s.t. $j + Z[j] - 1 > i$
then $Z[i - j + 1]$ provides information about $Z[i]$

If there is no such j , simply compare characters $T[i..]$ to $T[0..]$
since they have not been seen before.

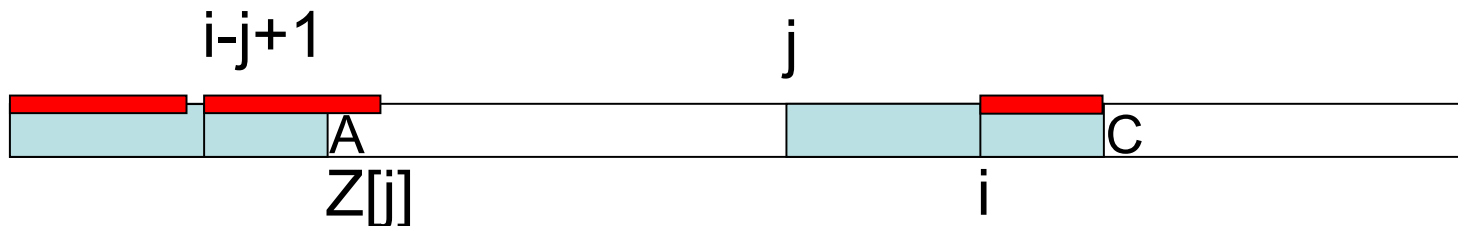
Three cases

Let $j < i$ be the coordinate that maximizes $j + Z[j] - 1$
(intuitively, the $Z[j]$ that extends the furthest)

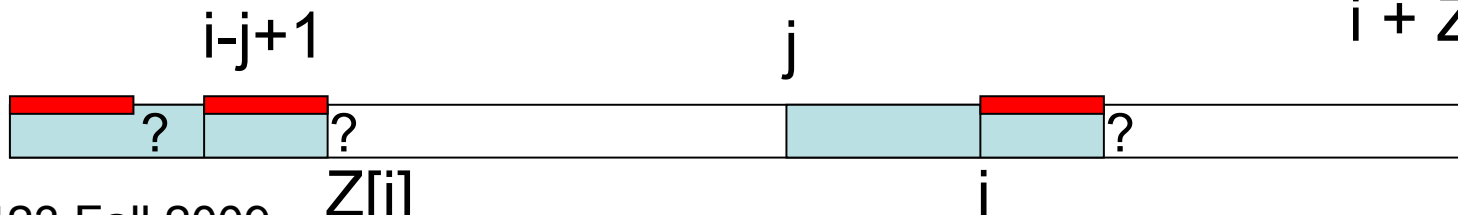
I. $Z[i - j + 1] < Z[j] - i + j - 1 \Rightarrow Z[i] = Z[i - j + 1]$



II. $Z[i - j + 1] > Z[j] - i + j - 1 \Rightarrow Z[i] = Z[j] - i + j - 1$



III. $Z[i - j + 1] = Z[j] - i + j - 1 \Rightarrow Z[i] = ??$, compare from $i + Z[i - j + 1]$



Time complexity analysis

- Why do these tricks save us time?
1. Cases I and II take constant time per Z-value computed – total time spent in these cases is $O(n)$
 2. Case III might involve 1 or more comparisons per Z-value however:
 - every successful comparison (match) shifts the rightmost character that has been visited
 - every unsuccessful comparison terminates the “round” and algorithm moves on to the next Z-value
- total time spent in III cannot be more than # of characters in the text

Overall running time is $O(n)$

Space complexity?

- If using Z algorithm for matching, how many Z values do we need to store?

PPPPPPPPPP\$TTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTT

- Only need to remember Z-values for pattern and the “farthest reaching Z-value” ($Z[j]$ in what we discussed before)

Some questions

- What are the Z-values for the following string:

TTAGGATAGCCATTAGCCTCATTAGGGATTAGGAT

- In the string above, what is the longest prefix that is repeated somewhere else in the string?
- Trace through the execution of the linear-time algorithm for computing the Z values for the string listed above. How many times do rules I, II, and III apply?

Z algorithm, not just for matching

- Lempel-Ziv compression (e.g. gzip)

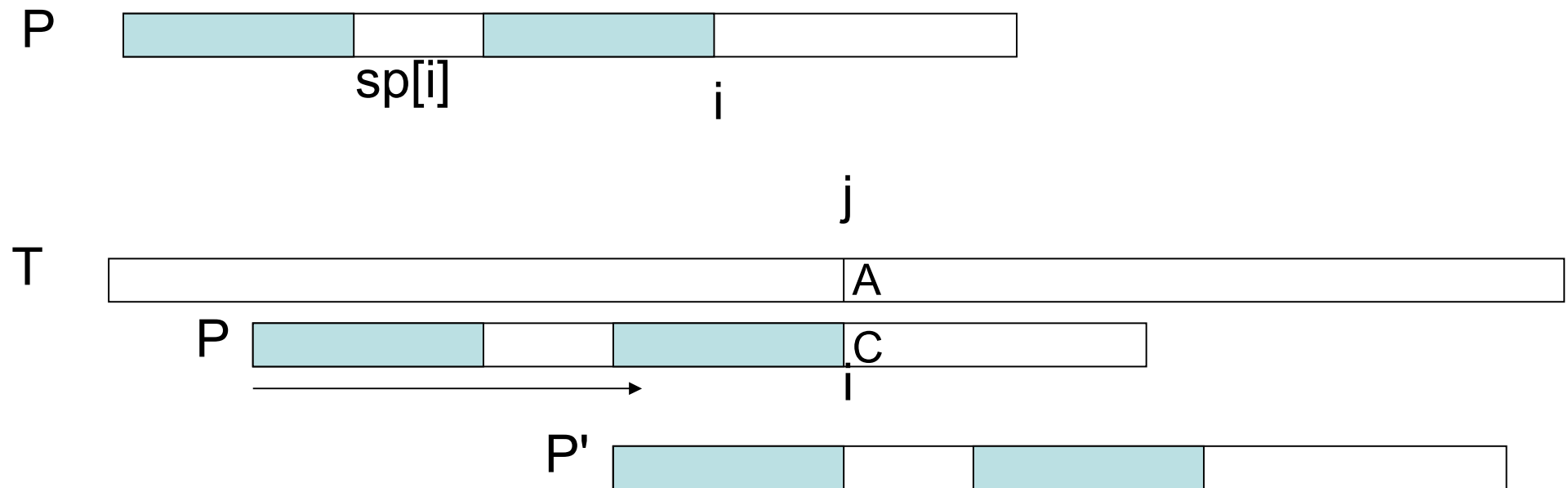


if $Z[i] = 0$, just send/store the character $T[i]$, otherwise,
instead of sending $T[i..i+Z[i] - 1]$ ($Z[i] - 1$ characters/bytes)
simply send $Z[i]$ (one number)

- Note: other exact matching algorithms used for data compression (e.g. Burrows-Wheeler transform relates to suffix arrays)

Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm

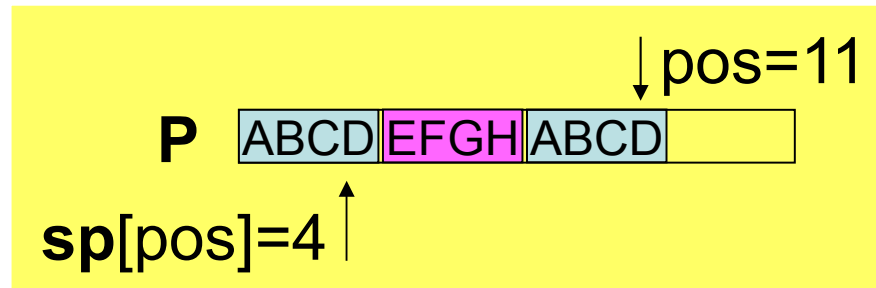
Given a Pattern and a Text, preprocess the Pattern to compute $sp[i]$ = length of longest prefix of P that matches a suffix of $P[0..i]$



- Compare P with T until finding a mis-match (at coordinate $i + 1$ in P and $j + 1$ in T).
- Shift P such that first $sp[i]$ characters match $T[j - sp[i] + 1 .. j]$.
- Continue matching from $T[i+1]$, $P[sp[i]+1]$

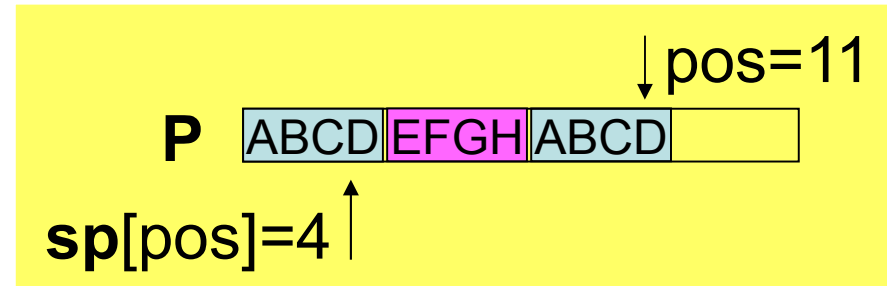
Knuth-Morris-Pratt (KMP) Algorithm

Given a pattern (**P**) and a text block (**T**) you preprocess **P** to compute a zero-indexed array **sp[]** where **sp[pos]** contains the length of longest ***prefix*** of **P** that matches a ***suffix*** of **P**[0..pos]



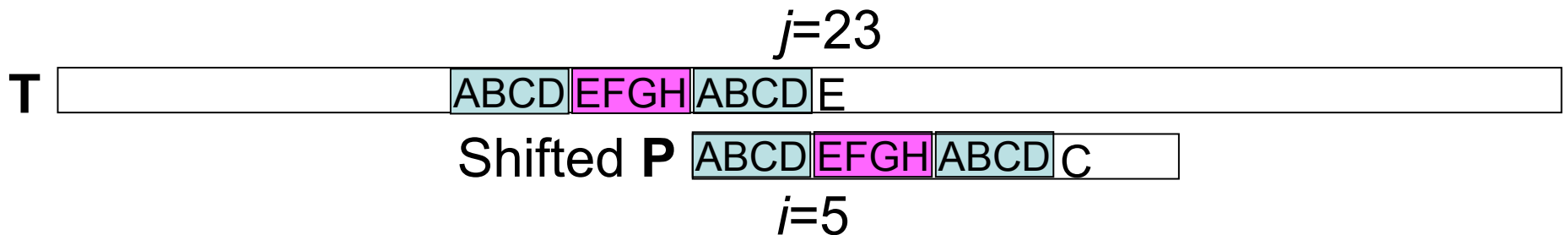
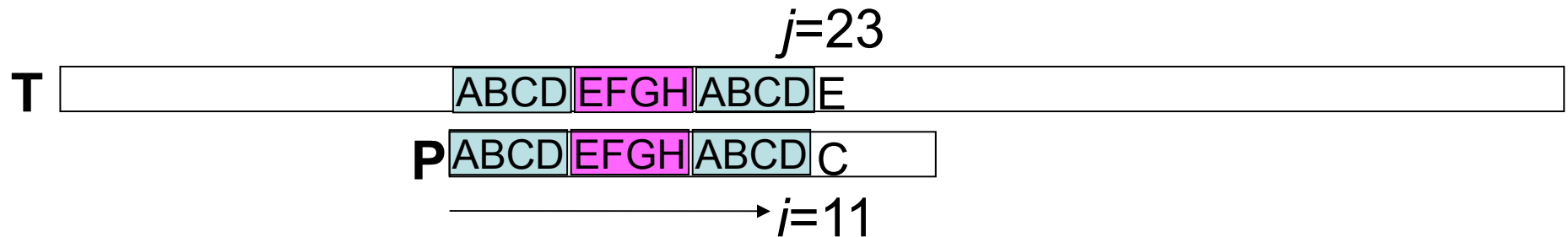
Next 4 slides from Evan Golub

Tracing KMP



We compare **P** with **T** until finding a mismatch.

We'll call that position $i+1$ in **P** and $j+1$ in **T**.



We then logically shift **P** using the **sp** value.

This allows the first **sp**[i] characters to match **T**[($j-\text{sp}[i]+1$) .. j].

We then continue comparing from **P**[**sp**[i]+1] and **T**[$j+1$]

index: 0123456

pattern: AAAAAAA

sp: 0123456

index: 0123456

pattern: AAAAAAB

sp: 0123450

AAAAABAAAAABAAAAAA

index: 0123456

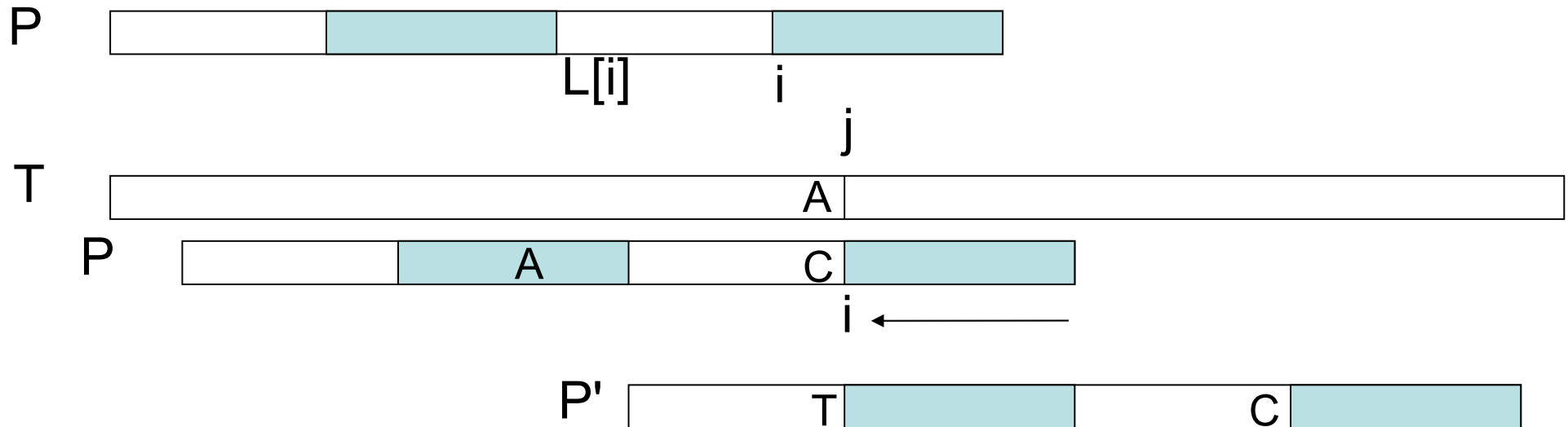
pattern: ABACABC

sp: 0010120

ABABBABAABABACABC

Boyer-Moore algorithm

Preprocess the pattern, computing, for every i , $L[i]$ = largest coordinate $< n$, s.t. $P[i..n]$ matches a suffix of $P[1..L[i]]$ (inverted Z function)

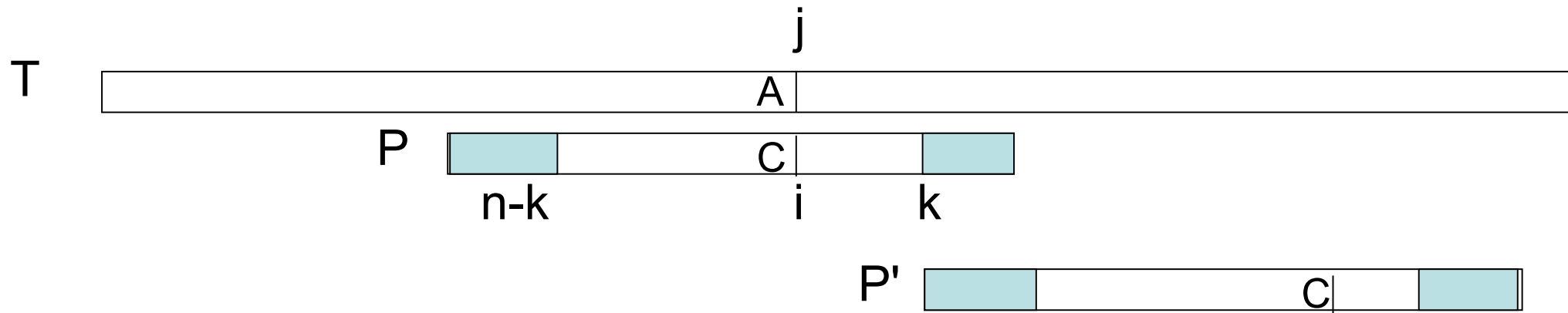


Match the pattern backwards (starting at the right) until mismatch.
Shift the pattern such that $P[L[i] - n + i + 1]$ matches at $T[j]$
Repeat.

Bad character rule: find character $T[j - 1]$ in P and shift until it matches. Choose the longest shift (btwn. suffix & char. rules)

Boyer-Moore ... cont

- What if $P[i..n]$ does not occur elsewhere prior to i ?
- Find $k > i$ s.t. $P[1..(n-k)]$ matches $P[k..n]$



- Also bad character rule:
 - if $P[i]$ mismatches with $T[j]$ – can shift P until we find a character equal to $T[j]$ in P (above, shift until an A in P lines up to the A in T)
- Putting it all together: compute the shift according to the suffix rules and the bad character rule and pick the largest

Questions

- Can you use the Z-values to efficiently compute the `sp()` values used in the KMP algorithm?
- How about the values used by the Boyer-Moore algorithm?