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The String Abstract Data Type

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2.6.1 Simple String Pattern Matching

- `s= string.length();`
- `p= pattern.length();`

- $O(s*p)$

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The Knuth-Morris-Pratt Alg.

- Complexity: $O(p+s)$

j	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
pat	a	b	c	a	b	c	a	c	a	b
f	-1	-1	-1	0	1	2	3	-1	0	1

$$f = \begin{cases} \text{largest } k < j, \text{ s.t. } p_0 \dots p_k = p_{j-k} \dots p_j, & \exists k \geq 0 \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- If a partial match is found such that $s_{i-j} \dots s_{i-1} = p_0 \dots p_{j-1}$ and $s_i \neq p_j$ then matching may resume by comparing s_i and $p_{f(j-1)+1}$

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Pattern-matching with a Failure Function

```

int String::FastFind(String pat) {
  // Determine if pat is a substring of s
  int PosP = 0, PosS = 0; // j=> PosP, i=> PosS
  int LengthP = pat.Length(), LengthS = Length();

  while((PosP < LengthP) && (PosS < LengthS))
  {
    if (pat.str[PosP] == str[PosS]) {
      PosP++; PosS++;
    } else
      if (PosP == 0) PosS++;
      else PosP = pat.ff[PosP-1] + 1;
    }
  if (PosP < LengthP) return -1;
  else return PosS-LengthP;
}

```
