

- 194 (pattern search) Let *subject* and *pattern* be two texts. Write a program to do the following. If *pattern* occurs somewhere within *subject*, natural variable *h* is assigned to indicate the beginning of its first occurrence
- (a) using any string operators given in Section [2.2](#).
  - (b) using string indexing and string length, but no other string operators.

After trying the question, scroll down to the solution.

§ It might be best to strengthen the specification to provide an indication if *pattern* does not occur anywhere in *subject* , but I'll stick with the question as asked.

(a) using any string operators given in Section 2.2.

§ Define specifications *P* and *Q* as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \quad \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} \\
 &\quad \wedge (\exists i: 0, \dots, \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots, i + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \\
 &\Rightarrow \quad \text{subject}_{h', \dots, h' + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \\
 &\quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: 0, \dots, h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots, i + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \\
 &\quad \wedge t' \leq t + \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}
 \end{aligned}$$

*P* says if there is room for *pattern* in *subject* , and if *pattern* does occur somewhere in there, then make *h'* be the starting index of its first occurrence, and the time is bounded by the length of *subject* minus the length of *pattern* .

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q &= \quad h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} \\
 &\quad \wedge (\exists i: h, \dots, \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots, i + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \\
 &\Rightarrow \quad \text{subject}_{h', \dots, h' + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \\
 &\quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: h, \dots, h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots, i + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \\
 &\quad \wedge t' \leq t + \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h
 \end{aligned}$$

*Q* says if there is room for *pattern* in *subject* starting at index *h* , and if *pattern* does occur somewhere in there, then make *h'* be the starting index of its first occurrence, and the time is bounded by the length of *subject* minus the length of *pattern* minus *h* .

The refinements, including recursive time, are as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &\Leftarrow h := 0. Q \\
 Q &\Leftarrow \text{if } h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} > \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} \text{ then ok} \\
 &\quad \text{else if } \text{subject}_{h, \dots, h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \text{ then ok} \\
 &\quad \text{else } h := h + 1. t := t + 1. Q \text{ fi fi}
 \end{aligned}$$

The proofs are as follows. First the *P* refinement.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &h := 0. Q && \text{expand } Q, \text{ substitution law} \\
 = &P
 \end{aligned}$$

Now the *Q* refinement by cases. There are three cases. First case:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q &\Leftarrow h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} > \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} \wedge \text{ok} && \text{replace } Q \text{ and ok} \\
 = & \quad ( \quad h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} \\
 &\quad \wedge (\exists i: h, \dots, \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots, i + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \\
 &\Rightarrow \quad \text{subject}_{h', \dots, h' + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \\
 &\quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: h, \dots, h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots, i + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \\
 &\quad \wedge t' \leq t + \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h) \\
 &\Leftarrow h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} > \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} \wedge h' = h \wedge t' = t && \text{use antecedent as context in consequent} \\
 = & \quad ( \quad \perp \\
 &\quad \wedge (\exists i: h, \dots, \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots, i + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \\
 &\Rightarrow \quad \text{subject}_{h, \dots, h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \\
 &\quad \wedge \neg \perp \\
 &\quad \wedge t \leq t + \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h) \\
 &\Leftarrow h + \Leftrightarrow \text{pattern} > \Leftrightarrow \text{subject} \wedge h' = h \wedge t' = t && \text{base}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \top$$

Middle case:

$$\begin{aligned}
Q &\Leftarrow h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \wedge subject_{h;..h+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \wedge ok \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{replace } Q \text{ and } ok \\
= &\quad ( \quad h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \\
&\quad \wedge (\exists i: h,.. \#subject - \#pattern \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\Rightarrow \quad subject_{h';..h'+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \\
&\quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: h,..h' \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\quad \wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow subject - \leftrightarrow pattern - h) \\
&\Leftarrow h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \wedge subject_{h;..h+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \wedge h'=h \wedge t'=t \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{use antecedent as context in consequent} \\
= &\quad ( \quad \top \\
&\quad \wedge (\exists i: h,.. \#subject - \#pattern \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\Rightarrow \quad \top \\
&\quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: h,..h' \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\quad \wedge t \leq t + \leftrightarrow subject - \leftrightarrow pattern - h) \\
&\Leftarrow h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \wedge subject_{h;..h+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \wedge h'=h \wedge t'=t \\
&\hspace{15em} h,..h \text{ is null and } t \leq t + (\text{nonnegative}) \\
= &\quad ( \quad \top \\
&\quad \wedge (\exists i: h,.. \#subject - \#pattern \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\Rightarrow \quad \top \wedge \top \wedge \top \\
&\Leftarrow h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \wedge subject_{h;..h+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \wedge h'=h \wedge t'=t \quad \text{base} \\
= &\quad \top
\end{aligned}$$

Last case:

$$\begin{aligned}
Q &\Leftarrow h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \wedge subject_{h;..h+\leftrightarrow pattern} \neq pattern \\
&\quad \wedge (h := h+1. t := t+1. Q) \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{replace } Q \text{ twice and substitution law twice} \\
= &\quad ( \quad h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \\
&\quad \wedge (\exists i: h,.. \#subject - \#pattern \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\Rightarrow \quad subject_{h';..h'+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \\
&\quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: h,..h' \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\quad \wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow subject - \leftrightarrow pattern - h) \\
&\Leftarrow h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \\
&\quad \wedge subject_{h;..h+\leftrightarrow pattern} \neq pattern \\
&\quad \wedge ( \quad h + 1 + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \\
&\quad \quad \wedge (\exists i: h+1,.. \#subject - \#pattern \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\quad \Rightarrow \quad subject_{h';..h'+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \\
&\quad \quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: h+1,..h' \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \\
&\quad \quad \wedge t' \leq t + 1 + \leftrightarrow subject - \leftrightarrow pattern - h - 1) \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{in last line simplify } 1-1 ; \text{ portation} \\
= &\quad h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \hspace{10em} (0) \\
&\quad \wedge subject_{h;..h+\leftrightarrow pattern} \neq pattern \hspace{10em} (1) \\
&\quad \wedge ( \quad h + 1 + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \hspace{10em} (2) \\
&\quad \quad \wedge (\exists i: h+1,.. \#subject - \#pattern \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \hspace{10em} (3) \\
&\quad \Rightarrow \quad subject_{h';..h'+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern \hspace{10em} (4) \\
&\quad \quad \wedge \neg(\exists i: h+1,..h' \cdot subject_{i;..i+\leftrightarrow pattern} = pattern) \hspace{10em} (5) \\
&\quad \quad \wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow subject - \leftrightarrow pattern - h) \hspace{10em} (6) \\
&\quad \wedge h + \leftrightarrow pattern \leq \leftrightarrow subject \hspace{10em} (7)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\wedge (\exists i: h, \dots \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \quad (8)$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h \quad (9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{subject}_{h', \dots h'+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \quad (10)$$

$$\wedge \neg(\exists i: h, \dots h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \quad (11)$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h \quad (12)$$

Line (1) is context for line (5) so line (5) can say  $\neg(\exists i: h, \dots h' \dots)$ .

Line (1) is also context for line (8) so line (8) can say  $(\exists i: h+1, \dots \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \dots)$ .

Line (7) duplicates line (0).

$$= h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \leftrightarrow \text{subject} \quad (13)$$

$$\wedge \text{subject}_{h, \dots h+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} \neq \text{pattern} \quad (14)$$

$$\wedge (h + 1 + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \leftrightarrow \text{subject} \quad (15)$$

$$\wedge (\exists i: h+1, \dots \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \quad (16)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{subject}_{h', \dots h'+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \quad (17)$$

$$\wedge \neg(\exists i: h, \dots h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \quad (18)$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h) \quad (19)$$

$$\wedge (\exists i: h+1, \dots \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \quad (20)$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h \quad (21)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{subject}_{h', \dots h'+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern} \quad (22)$$

$$\wedge \neg(\exists i: h, \dots h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \quad (23)$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h \quad (24)$$

Line (20) is context for line (16).

The domain in line (20) also implies line (15).

$$= h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \leftrightarrow \text{subject}$$

$$\wedge \text{subject}_{h, \dots h+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} \neq \text{pattern}$$

$$\wedge (\top$$

$$\wedge \top$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{subject}_{h', \dots h'+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}$$

$$\wedge \neg(\exists i: h, \dots h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern})$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h)$$

$$\wedge (\exists i: h+1, \dots \# \text{subject} - \# \text{pattern} \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern})$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{subject}_{h', \dots h'+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}$$

$$\wedge \neg(\exists i: h, \dots h' \cdot \text{subject}_{i, \dots i+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern})$$

$$\wedge t' \leq t + \leftrightarrow \text{subject} - \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} - h$$

base and specialization

$$= \top$$

(b) using string indexing and string length, but no other string operators.

§ The program in part (a) has only one string comparison, namely

$$\text{subject}_{h, \dots h+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}$$

To replace it with string indexing, introduce binary variable  $m$  (for match), and natural variable  $n$ . We need two more specifications.

$$R = h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \leftrightarrow \text{subject} \Rightarrow m' = (\text{subject}_{h, \dots h+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}) \wedge h' = h$$

$$S = h \leq n \leq h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \leq \leftrightarrow \text{subject}$$

$$\Rightarrow m' = (\text{subject}_{n, \dots h+\leftrightarrow \text{pattern}} = \text{pattern}_{n-h, \dots \leftrightarrow \text{pattern}}) \wedge h' = h$$

Now the refinements.

$$R \Leftarrow n := h. S$$

$$S \Leftarrow \text{if } n = h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \text{ then } m := \top$$

$$\text{else if } \text{subject}_n = \text{pattern}_{n-h} \text{ then } n := n+1. S$$

$$\text{else } m := \perp \text{ fi fi}$$

And the proofs. First the  $R$  refinement.

$$\begin{array}{l} n := h. S \\ = R \end{array} \quad \text{expand } S, \text{ substitution law, simplify}$$

Now the  $S$  refinement.

NOT YET DONE

Finally, recursive time, which counts the time for the string comparison.

NOT YET DONE

Now we put it all together, as follows.

$$\begin{array}{l} P \Leftarrow h := 0. Q \\ Q \Leftarrow \text{if } h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} > \leftrightarrow \text{subject} \text{ then } ok \\ \quad \text{else } R. \text{ if } m \text{ then } ok \\ \quad \quad \text{else } h := h + 1. Q \text{ fi fi} \end{array}$$

We can optimize a little, by redefining  $S$ , and re-refining as follows.

$$\begin{array}{l} P \Leftarrow h := 0. Q \\ Q \Leftarrow \text{if } h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} > \leftrightarrow \text{subject} \text{ then } ok \\ \quad \text{else } n := h. S \text{ fi} \\ S \Leftarrow \text{if } n = h + \leftrightarrow \text{pattern} \text{ then } ok \\ \quad \text{else if } \text{subject}_n = \text{pattern}_{n-h} \text{ then } n := n + 1. S \\ \quad \quad \text{else } h := h + 1. Q \text{ fi fi} \end{array}$$