

# CS342: Bioinformatics

## Lecture 5

# Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm

- Solves a version of the basic pattern matching problem.
- Rather than shifting  $p$  by one at each iteration (brute-force), use info about  $p$  to never go “backwards”.

**Input:** Text  $t = t_0 \dots t_m$  and pattern  $p = p_0 \dots p_n$  (0 index)

**Output:** Index of the first occurrence of  $p$  in  $t$ .

- Step 1: Compute a table  $T$  based only on pattern  $p$  that tells us where the pattern contains potential repeats.
- Step 2: Use  $T$  to search for the first occurrence of  $p$  in  $t$ .

## Computing T

- $T$  is table of size length of  $p$ .

# Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm Analysis

Runtime?  $O(n + m)$

- Build T?  $O(n)$
- Search for match?  $O(m)$

# The Motif Finding Problem

- Given a random sample of DNA sequences:

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cctgatagacgctatctggctatccacgtacgttaggcctctgtgcgaatctatgcgtttccaaccat  
agtactggtgtacattgatacgtacgtacaccggcaacctgaaacaaacgctcagaaccagaagtgc  
aaacgtacgtgcaccctttcttcgtggcttgccaaacgagggtgatgtataagacgaaaattt  
agcctccgatgtaagtcatagctgttaactattacctgccacccctattacatcttacgtacgtataca  
Ctgttataacaacgcgtcatggcggttatgcgtttggtcgtacgctcgatcgtaacgtacgtc
```

- Find the pattern that is implanted in each of the individual sequences, namely, the motif
- Additional information:
  - Assume the hidden sequence is of length 8
  - The pattern is not exactly the same in each sequence because random point mutations have been introduced

# Motif Finding Example

- Finding motifs if there are no mutations
- Probability of a given 8-mer in an infinite sequence is  $1/4^8 \approx 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$  (1 every 65Kb)
- Assuming 5 strings of length 68, there are  $5 (68 - 8) = 300$  distinct 8-mers
- Probability of any one 8-mer is  $300/4^8 \approx 0.005$
- So *any* repeat is rare

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cctgatagacgctatctggctatccacgtacgtaggcctctgtgcgaatctatgcgttccaaccat  
agtactggtgtacatttcatacgtacgtacaccggcaacctgaaacaaacgctcagaaccagaagtgc  
aaacgtacgtgcaccctttcttcgtggctctggccaacgagggctgatgtataagacgaaaatttt  
agcctccgatgttaagtcatagctgtaactattacctgccacccctattacatcttacgtacgtataca  
ctgttataacaacgcgtcatggcggttatgcgtttggcgtacgctcgatcgtaacgtacgtc
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**acgtacgt**

# The Problem Becomes Harder

- Introduce 2 point mutations into each pattern:

cctgatagacgctatctggctatccaGgtacTtaggcctctgtgcgaatctatgcgttccaaccat  
agtactggtgtacatttgatCcAtacgtacaccggcaacctgaaacaaacgctcagaaccagaagtgc  
aaacgtTAGtgcaccctttcttcgtggctctggccaacgagggtatgtataagacgaaaatttt  
agcctccatgttaagtcatagctgttaactattacctgccaccctattacatcttacgtCcAtataca  
ctgttataacaacgcgtcatggcggttatgcgtttggcgtacgctcgatcgtaCcgtaacGc

- Our original target pattern no longer appears in any sequence!

**Can we still find the motif?**

# Defining a Motif

- To define a motif, let's assume that we know where the motif starts in each sequence
- The start positions can be represented as

$$s = [s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_t]$$



# Motifs: Profiles and Consensus

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Consensus	A C G T A C G T																																				

- Line up the patterns by their start indexes

$$\mathbf{s} = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_t)$$

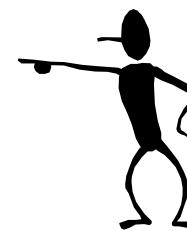
- Construct a matrix profile with the frequencies of each nucleotide in columns
- Consensus nucleotide in each position has the highest score in column

# Consensus

- Think of consensus as an “ancestor” motif, from which mutated motifs emerged
- The *distance* between an actual motif and the consensus sequence is generally less than that for any two actual motifs
- *Hamming distance* is number of positions that differ between two strings

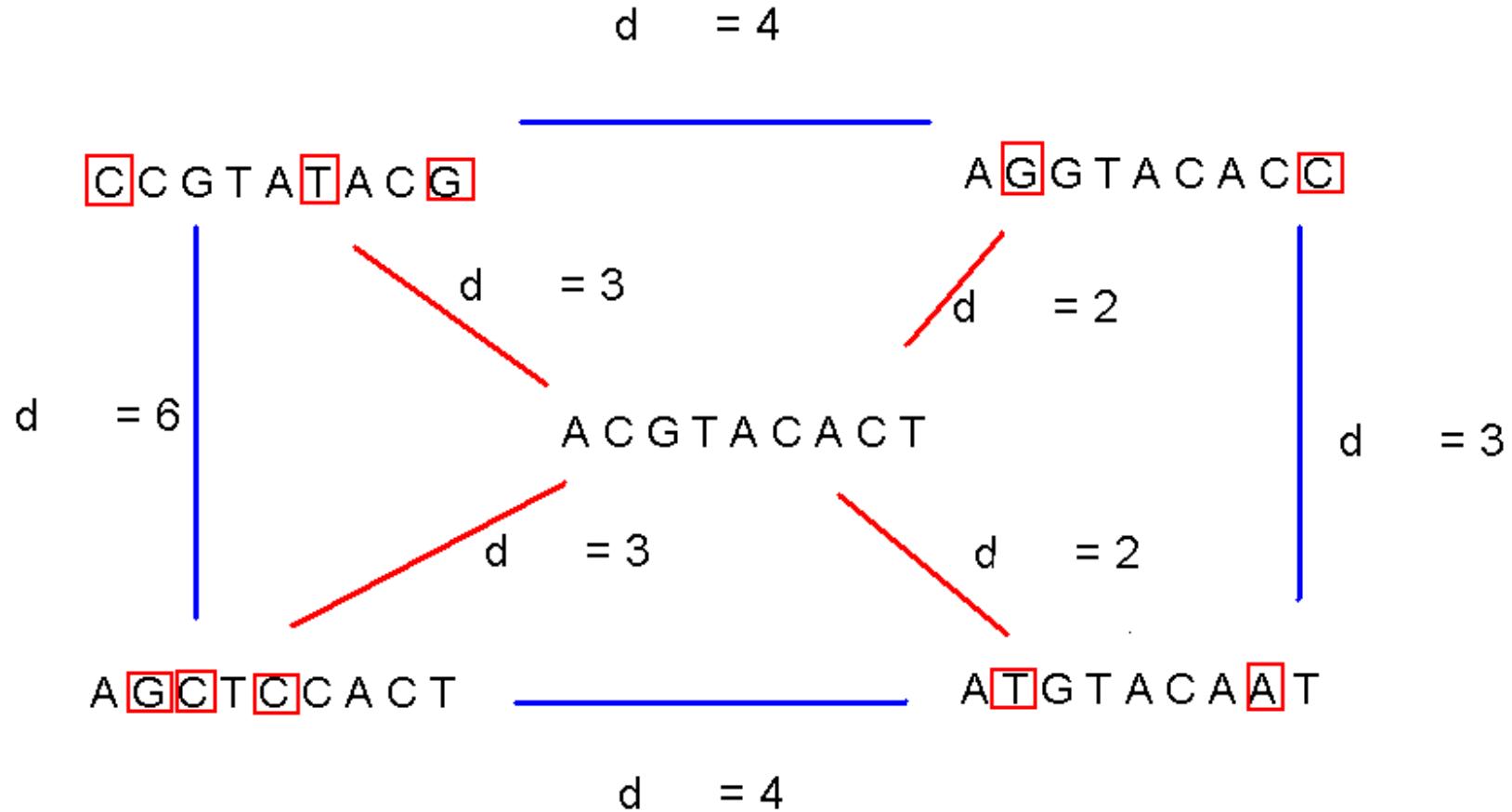
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T	A	G	A	C	G	C	A	T

A Hamming  
distance of 2



# Consensus Properties

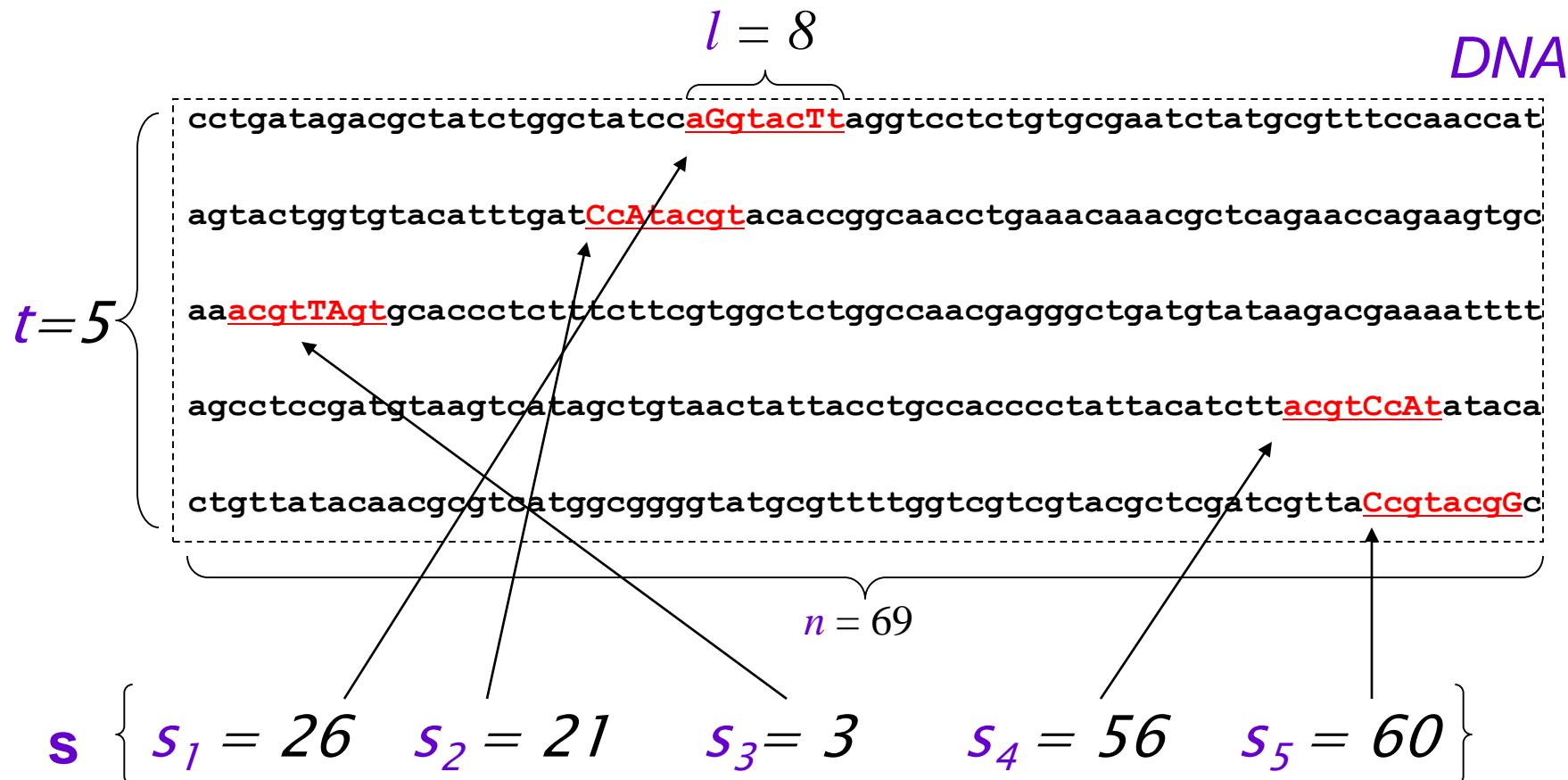
- A consensus string has a minimal hamming distance to all source strings



# Defining Some Terms

- $DNA$  – array of sequence fragments
  - $t$  - number of sample DNA sequences
  - $n$  - length of each DNA sequence
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- $\ell$  - length of the motif ( $\ell$ -mer)
  - $s_i$  - starting position of an  $\ell$ -mer in sequence  $i$
  - $s=(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_t)$  - array of motif's starting positions

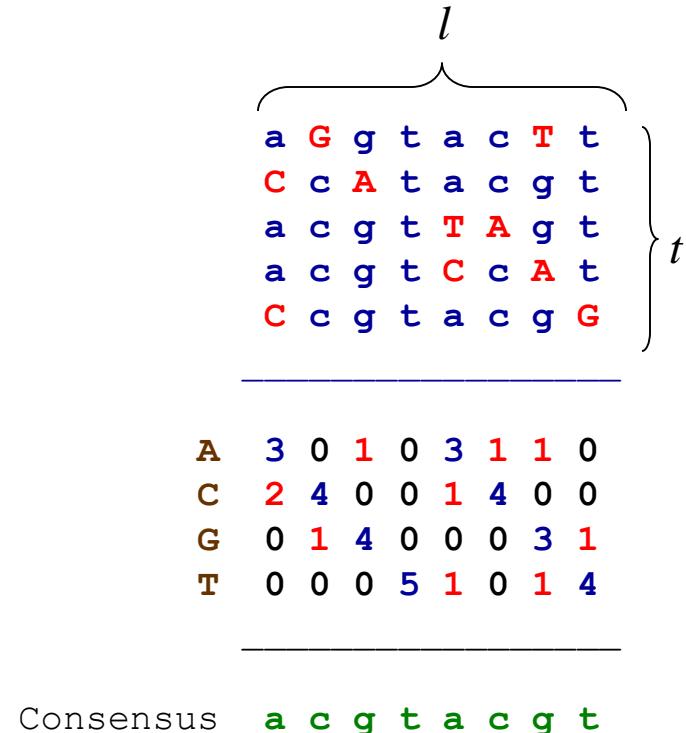
# Illustration of Terms



# Scoring Motifs

- Given  $\mathbf{s} = (s_1, \dots s_t)$  and  $DNA$ :

$$Score(\mathbf{s}, DNA) = \sum_{i=1}^t \max_{k \in \{A,C,G,T\}} count(k, i)$$



Score     $3+4+4+5+3+4+3+4=30$