

## Pseudocode for Fundamental Preprocessing

### The $Z$ Algorithm<sup>1</sup>

$Z$ -ALGORITHM( $S[1..n]$ )

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1  ▷ INPUT: String  $S = S[1..n]$ 
2  ▷ OUTPUT:  $(Z_k, l_k, r_k)$ , for  $2 \leq k \leq n$ 
3  ▷ Base case:  $k = 2$ 
4   $Z_2 = n - 1$           ▷ Value if no mismatch found
5  for  $i \leftarrow 2$  to  $n$ 
6      do if  $S(i) \neq S(1)$ 
7          then ▷ Have found a mismatch — a character not matching  $S(1)$ 
8               $Z_2 \leftarrow i - 2$ 
9              break
10 if  $Z_2 > 0$ 
11     then  $l_2 \leftarrow 2$ 
12          $r_2 \leftarrow Z_2 + 1$ 
13     else  $l_2 \leftarrow r_2 \leftarrow 0$ 
14 ▷ General case:  $3 \leq k \leq n$ 
15 for  $k \leftarrow 3$  to  $n$ 
16     do if  $r_{k-1} < k$           ▷ Have not matched  $S(k)$  yet
17         then  $Z_k = n - k + 1$     ▷ Value if no mismatch found
18             for  $i \leftarrow k$  to  $n$ 
19                 do if  $S(i) \neq S(i - k + 1)$ 
20                     then          ▷ Have found a mismatch
21                          $Z_k \leftarrow i - k$ 
22                         break
23                 if  $Z_k > 0$ 
24                     then  $l_k \leftarrow k$ 
25                          $r_k \leftarrow k + Z_k - 1$ 
26                 else  $l_k \leftarrow r_k \leftarrow 0$ 

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<sup>1</sup>Gusfield, Section 1.4.

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27     else                                     ▷  $k$  is in the  $Z$ -box  $[l_{k-1}..r_{k-1}]$ 
28          $k' \leftarrow k - l_{k-1} + 1$ 
29          $\alpha \leftarrow S[l_{k-1}..r_{k-1}]$      ▷  $S[1..r_{k-1} - l_{k-1} + 1] = \alpha$ 
30          $\beta \leftarrow S[k..r_{k-1}]$          ▷  $S[k'..r_{k-1} - l_{k-1} + 1] = \beta$ 
31         if  $Z_{k'} < |\beta|$ 
32             then  $Z_k \leftarrow Z_{k'}$ 
33                  $l_k \leftarrow l_{k-1}$ 
34                  $r_k \leftarrow r_{k-1}$ 
35         else                                 ▷  $Z_{k'} \geq |\beta|$ 
36             if  $r_k - 1 = n$ 
37                 then  $q \leftarrow n$ 
38             else for  $q \leftarrow r_{k-1} + 1$  to  $n$ 
39                 do if  $S(|\beta| + q - r_{k-1}) \neq S(q)$ 
40                     then  $q \leftarrow q - 1$ 
41                     break
42                  $Z_k \leftarrow q - k + 1$ 
43                  $l_k \leftarrow k$ 
44                  $r_k \leftarrow q$ 
45 return  $(Z_k, l_k, r_k)$ , for  $2 \leq k \leq n$ 

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