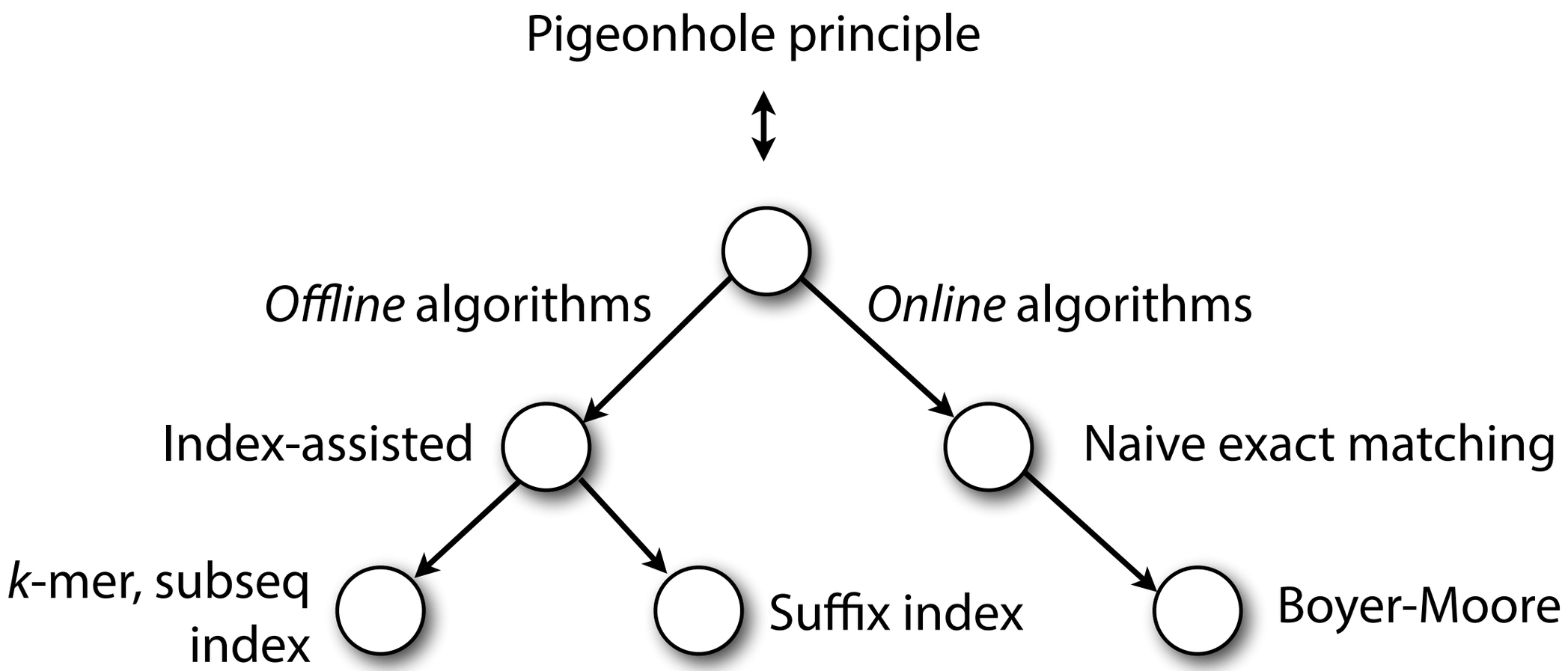
Edit distance



Dynamic programming
and edit distance

Edit distance

For X, Y where $|X| = |Y|$, *hamming distance* = minimum # substitutions needed to turn one into the other

For X, Y, *edit distance* = minimum # edits (substitutions, insertions, deletions) needed to turn one into the other

Finding distances

```
def hammingDistance(x, y):
    nmm = 0
    for i in xrange(0, len(x)):
        if x[i] != y[i]:
            nmm += 1
    return nmm


def editDistance(x, y):
    ????
```

Edit distance

If $|X| = |Y|$ what can we say about the relationship between **`editDistance`**(X, Y) and **`hammingDistance`**(X, Y)?

$$\textbf{editDistance}(X, Y) \leq \textbf{hammingDistance}(X, Y)$$

```
X: G C G T A T G C G G C T A - A C G C
   | |   | | | | | | | | | |   | | |
Y: G C - T A T G C G G C T A T A C G C
```

Edit distance

If *x* and *y* are different lengths, what can we say about **`editDistance`**(*X*, *Y*)?

`editDistance`(*X*, *Y*) ≥ | | *X* | - | *Y* | |

X: ? ?

Y: ? ? ? ?

X

G G C C G C G C A A A A A C A G C

Y

A T G C C G C G A A A A A C A T A

editDistance(X[:-1], Y[:-1]) = 147


G G C C G C G C A A A A A C A G C
α


A T G C C G C G A A A A A C A T A
β

α C

β A

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β y

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        return len(b)
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