

DISTINCT ELEMENTS

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DATA MINING

- In many data mining situations, the data is not known ahead of time.
- Examples:
 - Google queries
 - Twitter or Facebook status updates
 - Youtube video views
- In some ways, best to think of the data as an infinite stream that is non-stationary (distribution changes over time)

STREAM MODEL

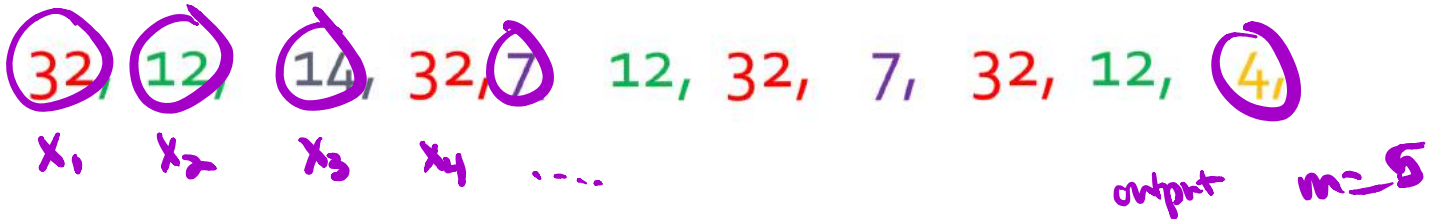
- Input elements (e.g. Google queries) enter/arrive one at a time.
- We cannot possibly store the stream.

Question: How do we make critical calculations about the data stream using a limited amount of memory?

PROBLEM

- Input: sequence of N elements x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N from a known universe U (e.g., 8-byte integers).
- Goal: perform a computation on the input, in a single left to right pass where
 - Elements processed in real time
 - Can't store the full data. => use minimal amount of storage while maintaining working "summary"

COUNTING DISTINCT ELEMENTS



Applications:

- IP packet streams: How many distinct IP addresses or IP flows (source+destination IP, port, protocol)
 - Anomaly detection, traffic monitoring
- Search: How many distinct search queries on Google on a certain topic yesterday
- Web services: how many distinct users (cookies) searched/browsed a certain term/item
 - Advertising, marketing trends, etc.

COUNTING DISTINCT ELEMENTS

32, 12, 14, 32, 7, 12, 32, 7, 32, 12, 4,

- Want to compute number of **distinct** keys in the stream.
- *How to do this without storing all the elements?*

- *Yet another super cool application of probability (and hashing)*

A NAIVE SOLUTION, COUNTING!

Store the m **distinct** user IDs
in a hash table.

Space requirement: $O(m)$

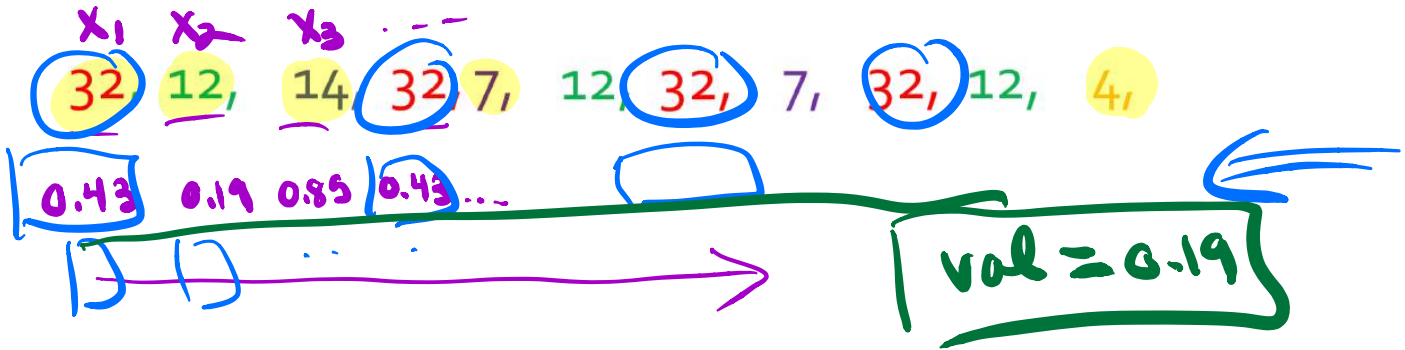


CONSIDERING THE NUMBER OF USERS OF YOUTUBE, AND THE NUMBER OF VIDEOS ON YOUTUBE, THIS IS NOT FEASIBLE.

Consider a hash function $h: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow [0, 1]$
For distinct values in \mathcal{U} , the function maps to iid (independent and identically distributed) $\text{Unif}(0, 1)$ random numbers.

$$\begin{aligned}h(32) &= 0.43 \\h(12) &= 0.19 \\h(14) &= 0.85 \\h(7) &= 0.61\end{aligned}$$

Note that, if you were to feed in two equivalent elements, the function returns the **same** number.



Tracks minimum hash value seen so far

$$\min(h(x_1), \dots, h(x_m))$$

$$= \min(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m)$$



In this ex.
0.19

$u_i \sim U(0,1)$

m # distinct elts

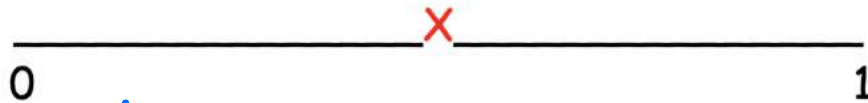
MIN OF IID UNIFORMS



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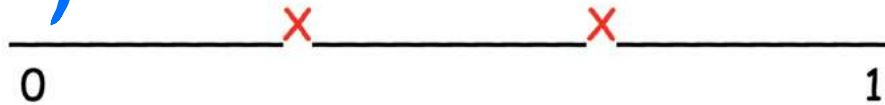
$m = 1$

$E(Y_1)$



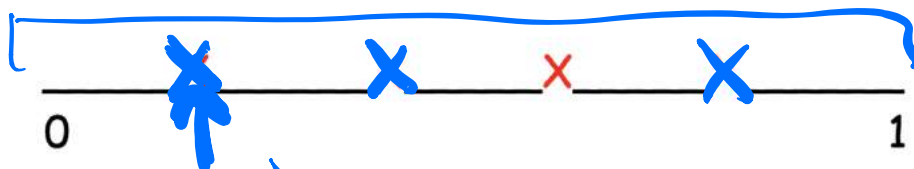
$m = 2$

$E(\min(Y_1, Y_2)) = \frac{1}{3}$



$m = 4$

$E(\min(Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4)) = \frac{1}{5}$



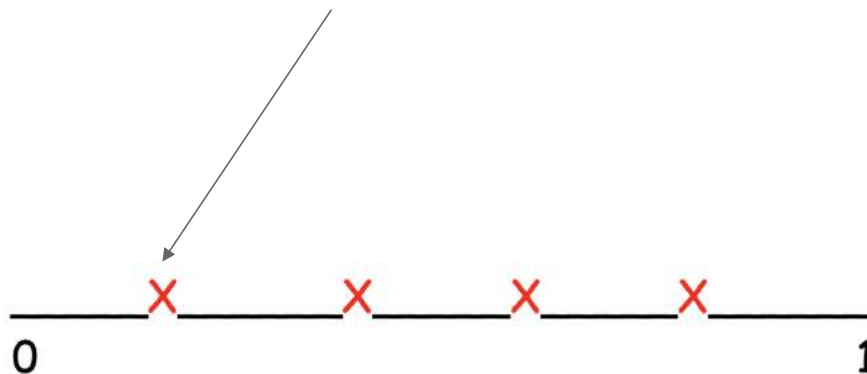
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$$E[\min\{Y_1, \dots, Y_4\}] = \frac{1}{4+1} = \frac{1}{5}$$

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Y_i : iid $U(0,1)$

- proved in section m back
- section worksheets
- CC today

A SUPER DUPER CLEVER IDEA

$$E[\min(h(x_1), \dots, h(x_m))] = \frac{1}{m+1}$$

m # distinct els.



val

$$E(\text{val}) = \frac{1}{m+1}$$

$$\equiv m+1 = \frac{1}{E(\text{val})} \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{val} \approx E(\text{val})$$

$$m = \frac{1}{E(\text{val})} - 1$$

what

estimate m to be $\frac{1}{\text{val}} - 1$

rounded to nearest int (floor)

$$\begin{aligned} h(32) &= 0.43 \\ h(5) &= 0.19 \\ h(17) &= 0.85 \\ h(4) &= 0.61 \end{aligned}$$

x_1	x_2	x_3						x_N
<u>32</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>17</u>	32	<u>14</u>	5	32	32	17

$\min_{1 \leq i \leq N} h(x_i) = 0.19$ (val)

$\hat{m} = \text{round}\left(\frac{1}{0.19} - 1\right)$
 estimate of # distinct elts.

$4.26 \leftarrow$



THE DISTINCT ELEMENTS ALGORITHM

Algorithm 2 Distinct Elements Operations

function INITIALIZE()

val \leftarrow ∞

function UPDATE(x)

val \leftarrow min {val, hash(x)}

function ESTIMATE()

return round $\left(\frac{1}{\text{val}} - 1 \right)$

for $i = 1, \dots, N$: **do**

update(x_i)

return estimate()

val tracks
 $\min (h(x_1), \dots, h(x_N))$

- Loop through all stream elements
 - Update our single float variable
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DISTINCT ELEMENTS EXAMPLE

Stream: 13, 25, 19, 25, 19, 19

Hashes: 0.51, 0.26, 0.79, 0.26, 0.79, 0.79

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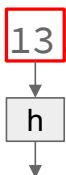
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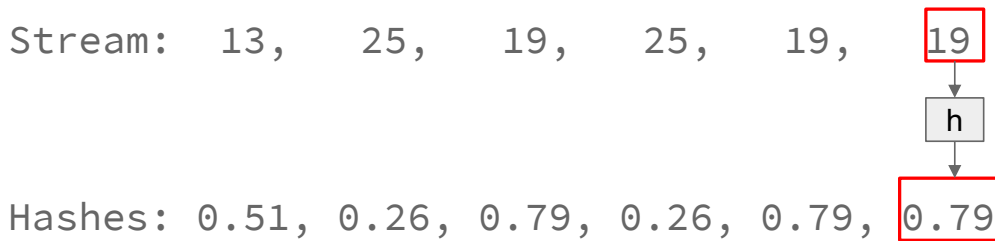
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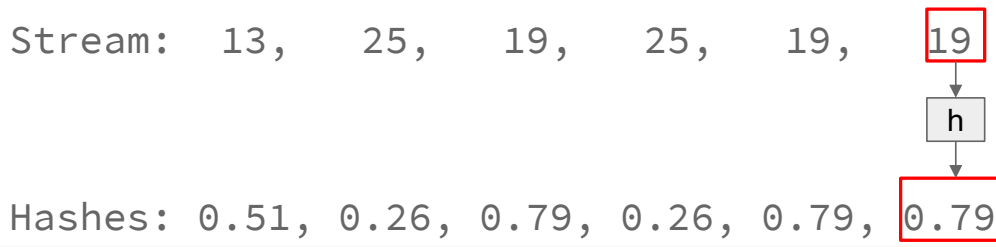
Handwritten notes:

val_1, \dots, val_k
 $val_i := \min(val_i, h_i(x))$
 $val = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k val_i$
 $val = 0.26$

Annotation: ← using val

h: maps \mathcal{U}^0 to \leftarrow
 random value
 in $(0,1)$

DISTINCT ELEMENTS EXAMPLE



Algorithm 2 Distinct Elements Operations

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function INITIALIZE()
  val ← ∞
function UPDATE(x)
  val ← min {val, hash(x)}
function ESTIMATE()
  return round( $\frac{1}{val} - 1$ )
for i = 1, ..., N: do
  update(xi)
return estimate()
  
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- Loop through all stream elements
 - Update our single float variable
 - An estimate for n , the number of distinct elements.
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val = 0.26

Return
 $\text{round}(1/0.26 - 1) =$
 $\text{round}(2.846) =$
3

DIY: DISTINCT ELEMENTS EXAMPLE II

Stream: 11, 34, 89, 11, 89, 23

Hashes: 0.5, 0.21, 0.94, 0.5, 0.94, 0.1

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function UPDATE(x)

val $\leftarrow \min \{ \text{val}, \text{hash}(x) \}$

function ESTIMATE()

return $\text{round} \left(\frac{1}{\text{val}} - 1 \right)$

for $i = 1, \dots, N$: **do**

update(x_i)

return estimate()

▸ Loop through all stream elements

▸ Update our single float variable

▸ An estimate for n , the number of distinct elements.

val = 0.1

Return= 9

SUMMARY SO FAR

$$h: \underset{\text{universe}}{U} \rightarrow (0,1)$$

Assume h is really great
in that $\forall x \leftarrow U$
 $h(x) \sim U(0,1)$
indep.

track $val := \min_{1 \leq i \leq N} h(x_i)$

output $\text{round}\left(\frac{1}{val} - 1\right)$

$$h: U \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, H-1\}$$
$$h(x) = \frac{h'(x)}{H}$$

PROBLEM

m distinct elts

Is val likely to close to $E(val)$?

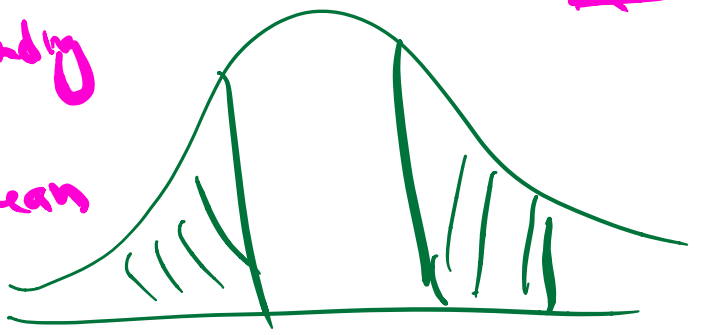


$$\text{Var}(val) \approx \frac{1}{(m+1)^2}$$

$$\sigma(val) \approx \frac{1}{m+1}$$

$$\hat{m} = \text{round}\left(\frac{1}{val} - 1\right)$$

for many random vars including val , likely to be $> 0.999\sigma$ away from mean



HOW CAN WE REDUCE THE VARIANCE?

Repetition

Let h_1, \dots, h_k be indep hash fns.

$$h_i(x_j) \sim U(0,1) \quad [\text{assume all of these indep}]$$

track

$$\begin{aligned} \text{val}_1 &= \min(h_1(x_1), \dots, h_1(x_n)) = \min(U_1^1, \dots, U_n^1) \\ \text{val}_2 &= \min(h_2(x_1), \dots, h_2(x_n)) = \min(U_1^2, \dots, U_n^2) \\ &\vdots \\ \text{val}_k &= \min(h_k(x_1), \dots, h_k(x_n)) = \min(U_1^k, \dots, U_n^k) \end{aligned}$$



$$\hat{val} = \frac{1}{K} (\underline{val}_1 + \underline{val}_2 + \dots + \underline{val}_K)$$

$$E(val_i) = \frac{1}{m+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(\hat{val}) &= E\left(\frac{1}{K} (val_1 + val_2 + \dots + val_K)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{K} \left[\underbrace{E(val_1)}_{\frac{1}{m+1}} + \underbrace{E(val_2)}_{\frac{1}{m+1}} + \dots + E(val_K) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{K} \cdot \frac{K}{m+1} = \frac{1}{m+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{val}) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{K} (val_1 + \dots + val_K)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{K^2} \text{Var}(val_1 + \dots + val_K) \\ &= \frac{1}{K^2} \left[\underbrace{\text{Var}(val_1)}_{\frac{1}{(m+1)^2}} + \dots + \text{Var}(val_K) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Var(ax) = a^2 Var(x)

indep

$E(\hat{val})$

a) $\frac{1}{m+1}$

b) $\frac{1}{K(m+1)}$

c) $\frac{K}{(m+1)}$

d) I don't know

$\text{Var}(X)$

a) $\approx \frac{1}{(m+1)^2}$

b) $\approx \frac{1}{K^2(m+1)^2}$

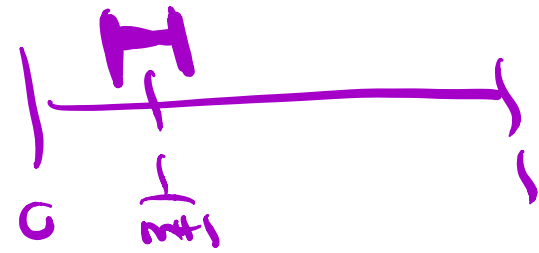
c) $\approx \frac{1}{K(m+1)^2}$

d) I don't know

$$= \frac{1}{k^2} \cdot k \cdot \frac{1}{(m+1)^2} = \frac{1}{k(m+1)^2}$$

$$\text{Var}(\text{val}_i) \approx \frac{1}{(m+1)^2}$$

$$\sigma(\hat{\text{val}}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(m+1)}}$$



$$\text{val}_i = \min(h(x_1), \dots, h(x_m))$$

$$= \min(u_1, \dots, u_m)$$

\downarrow \downarrow
 $h(x_1)$ $h(x_m)$

$x_i = x_j$
 $h(x_i) = h(x_j)$
 x_1, \dots, x_m
 m distinct elements
 x_1, \dots, x_m

$$E(\text{val}_i) = E[\min(u_1, \dots, u_m)] = \frac{1}{m+1}$$

CODING ON PSET 6

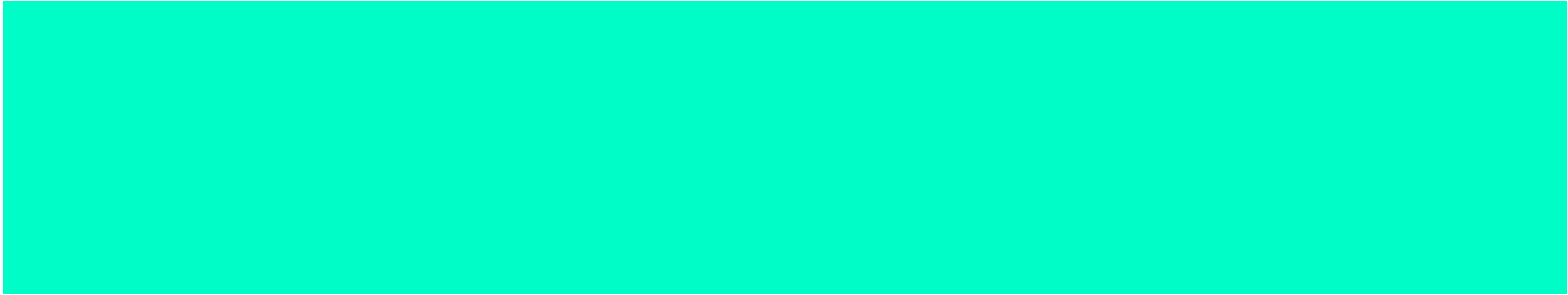
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We will implement the hash function for you! Just know that you can consider it an iid uniform continuous random variables for each of the values being hashed.

TO DO BETTER...

1. we will keep track of K DistElts classes each with its own independent hash function
2. take the mean of our K mins to get a better estimate of the min
3. and then apply the same trick as earlier to give an estimate for the number of distinct elements based on this min that we saw.



JOINT DISTRIBUTIONS

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5.1 JOINT DISCRETE DISTRIBUTIONS



AGENDA

- MOTIVATION
- CARTESIAN PRODUCTS OF SETS
- JOINT PMFS AND EXPECTATION
- MARGINAL PMFS

NAIVE BAYES CLASSIFIER - WHAT WE CALCULATE

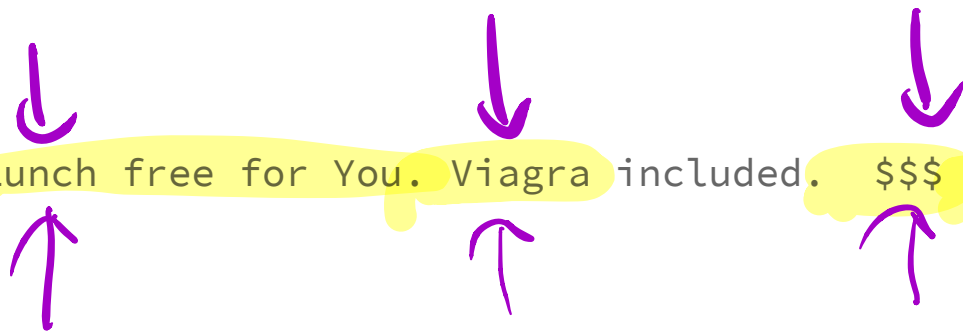
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\text{spam} \mid \text{"You buy Viagra!"}) &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{"You buy Viagra!"} \mid \text{spam}) \mathbb{P}(\text{spam})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{"You buy Viagra!"})} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(\{\text{"you", "buy", "viagra"}\} \mid \text{spam}) \mathbb{P}(\text{spam})}{\mathbb{P}(\{\text{"you", "buy", "viagra"}\} \mid \text{spam}) \mathbb{P}(\text{spam}) + \mathbb{P}(\{\text{"you", "buy", "viagra"}\} \mid \text{ham}) \mathbb{P}(\text{ham})} \quad [\text{LTP}] \end{aligned}$$

NAIVE BAYES CLASSIFIER - THE NAIVE PART

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}(\{\text{"you"}, \text{"buy"}, \text{"viagra"}\} \mid \text{spam}) \\ & \approx \mathbb{P}(\text{"you"} \mid \text{spam})\mathbb{P}(\text{"buy"} \mid \text{spam})\mathbb{P}(\text{"viagra"} \mid \text{spam}) \end{aligned}$$

WHY IS THIS NAIVE?

“!!!Lunch free for You. Viagra included. \$\$\$!!!!!”



The image shows a yellow highlight on the text "!!!Lunch free for You. Viagra included. \$\$\$!!!!!". There are three purple arrows pointing downwards from above the text to the first exclamation mark, the word "Viagra", and the first dollar sign. There are also three purple arrows pointing upwards from below the text to the first exclamation mark, the word "Viagra", and the first dollar sign.

UBIQUITOUS IN ML

$$Pr(x_1=35, BP=95, \dots, disease=No)$$

- Given "labeled data" $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_r$

Temp.	BP.	Sore Throat	...	Colour	diseaseX
35	95	Y	...	Pale	No
22	110	N	...	Clear	Yes
:	:	:	:	:	:
10	87	N	...	Pale	No

- Learn CLASSIFIER, that can predict label of *NEW* instance

Temp	BP	Sore-Throat	...	Color	diseaseX
32	90	N	...	Pale	?

