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Algorithms for Massive Data

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Tutorial 2: Data stream algorithms

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1 Uniformly sampling

Suppose we have a stream of tuples with the schema

Score(university, courseID, studentID, score)

Assume that universities are unique, but courseID is unique only within a university and likewise, studentID is only unique within a university. For example,

UOA, CS752, sID-001, 10 UOA, CS753, sID-001, 9 UOA, CS753, sID-002, 8 AUT, CS752, sID-001, 9 AUT, CS752, sID-002, 7 AUT, CS753, sID-002, 5

Suppose we want to answer certain queries approximately from a 1/20 samples of the data. For each query below, indicate how you would construct the sample, i.e. tell what the key attribute should be and the method for sampling.

- 1. For each course in a university, estimate the average number of students.
- 2. Estimate the fraction of students who have a GPA of 7 or more.
- 3. Estimate the fraction of courses where at least half the students got score above 7.

2 Bloom filter

Consider the same situation from our lecture with 8 billion bits and 1 billion members of the set S, calculate the false positive rate if we use numbers of hash functions as $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$?

3 Bloom filter

Suppose we have n bits of memory available and set S has m members. Instead of using k hash functions each mapping an element to a bit in the main memory, we could divide the n bits into k subarrays (assume n is divisible by k), and then use the i-th hash function, $i \in [1..k]$, to the i-th subarray.

- 1. As a function of n, m, and k, what is the probability of a false positive?
- 2. How does it compare with using k hash functions into a single array?

4 Misra-Gries algorithm

Run the Misra-Gries algorithm with k=3 for the stream below:

$$\{32, 12, 14, 32, 7, 12, 32, 7, 6, 12, 4\}$$

5 CountMin sketch

Applying CountMin sketch to estimate the frequency of each element in the stream below:

$$\{1, 1, 1, 2, 4, 4, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3\}$$

Our CountMin sketch uses d = 3 hash functions:

$$h_1(x) = x + 1 \mod 3$$
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$$h_2(x) = 3x + 1 \mod 3,$$

$$h_3(x) = 5x + 2 \mod 3.$$