



Experiment No.7
Data Stream Algorithms: Implement Flajolet Martin algorithm using any programming Language
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Aim: Data Stream Algorithms:

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Theory:

Flajolet-Martin algorithm approximates the number of unique objects in a stream or a database in one pass. If the stream contains n elements with m of them unique, this algorithm runs in $O(n)$ time and needs $O(\log(m))$ memory.

Algorithm:

1. Create a bit vector (bit array) of sufficient length L , such that $2L > n$, the number of elements in the stream. Usually a 64-bit vector is sufficient since 2^{64} is quite large for most purposes.
2. The i -th bit in this vector/array represents whether we have seen a hash function value whose binary representation ends in $0i$. So initialize each bit to 0.
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5. Once input is exhausted, get the index of the first 0 in the bit array (call this R). By the way, this is just the number of consecutive 1s (i.e. we have seen $0, 00, \dots, 0R-1$ as the output of the hash function) plus one.
6. Calculate the number of unique words as $2R/\phi$, where ϕ is 0.77351. A proof for this can be found in the original paper listed in the reference section.
7. The standard deviation of R is a constant: $\sigma(R)=1.12$. (In other words, R can be off by about 1 for $1 - 0.68 = 32\%$ of the observations, off by 2 for about $1 - 0.95 = 5\%$ of the observations, off by 3 for $1 - 0.997 = 0.3\%$ of the observations using the Empirical rule of statistics). This implies that our count can be off by a factor of 2 for 32% of the observations, off by a factory of 4 for 5% of the observations, off by a factor of 8 for 0.3% of the observations and so on.



CODE:

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stream=[1,2,3,4,5,6,4,2,5,9,1,6,3,7,1,2,2,4,2,1]
print('Using Flajolet Martin
Algorithm:') maxnum=0
for i in range(0,len(stream)):
    val= bin((1*stream[i] + 6) %
32)[2:] sum=0
    for j in
        range(len(val)-1,0,-1): if
            val[j]=='0':
                sum+1
            else:
                break
    if sum>maxnu:
        maxnum=sum
print('distict elements', 2**maxnum)
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Output:

Using Flajolet Martin

Algorithm: distict elements 8

CONCLUSION:

Flajolet-Martin algorithm approximates the number of unique objects in a stream or a database in one pass. If the stream contains n elements with m of them unique, this algorithm runs in $O(n)$ time and needs $O(\log(m))$ memory.