# Streaming Model (cont.)

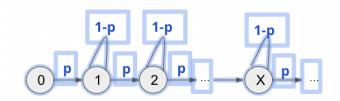
- 1. Algorithms for estimating F<sub>1</sub>
  - a.  $F1 = \sum f1 = m$  (length of stream)
  - b.  $C \leftarrow 0$

For x in the stream

 $C \leftarrow c + 1$  (c will be the length of the stream eventually)

- c.  $Log_2(m) \rightarrow m$  is huge that  $log_2(m)$  is very large as well
- d. Let's say there is a number with 17 digits
- e. Storing the number by only stating the digits (17 digits is also 2 digits)
- f. 17 digits  $\rightarrow$  2 digits (better but we lose accuracy)
- g. Store the count of digits
  - i. 10...0 (16 digits of 0) to 9..9 (17 digits)
- h. Storing the digits of (2) is  $log_2(log_2(m))$  bits since  $log_2(m) = 17$  and  $log_2(log_2(m)) = 2$
- 2. Morris algorithm
  - a. Robert morris
  - b. Key idea: instead of maintaining the actual length of the stream m, keep the logarithm
    - i. E.g., if m=145, then by knowing the order of magnitude  $\sim$ 10 $^{\circ}$ 2, we can tell that our number is between 100 and 999
  - c. This allows us to use loglog(m) bits to represent m approximately
- 3. How to save 1 bit?
  - a. Maintain a counter c (aka Morris counter)
  - b. int():  $c \leftarrow 0$
  - c. process()
    - i. For each item in the stream
      - 1. Increase c with probability ½
      - 2. o/w keep the same value
    - ii. Output estimate  $2c \rightarrow$  because we increase c with probability of  $\frac{1}{2}$
  - d. Let z be the value of the counter after m increments
  - e.  $Z\sim Bin(m, \frac{1}{2})$ 
    - i. E[z] = m/2
    - ii. Var[z] = m/4
    - iii. m/2 +-z score \*  $sqrt(m/4) \rightarrow sqrt(m) = O(m)$
    - iv. Space complexity:  $Ig(m/2) = Ig(m) 1 \rightarrow saved$  one bit at the cost of accuracy (by halfing the number, we save one digit)

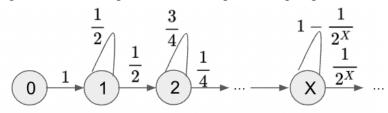
- v. If you want to remove 2 bits, we have to increase c with probs \( \frac{1}{4} \) and etc.
- 4. How to save k bits?
  - a. Maintain a counter c
  - b. init():  $c \leftarrow 0$
  - c. process()
    - i. For each item in the stream
      - 1. Increase c with probability (½)^k
      - 2. o/w keep the same value
    - ii. Output estimate 2<sup>k</sup> \* c
  - d. Let Z be the value of the counter after m increments
    - i.  $Z\sim Bin(m, 2^-k)$ 
      - 1.  $E[z] = m/2^k$
      - 2.  $Var[z] \sim m/2^k$
      - 3. Space complexity:  $Ig(m/2^k) = Ig(m) k \rightarrow saved k$  bits (in practice, we care about confidence interval  $\rightarrow$  as k increases, there is a higher probability that the error will be large)



- e.
- f. Another perspective as a birth process
- g. Counter values follow a binomial distribution

$$P(C_m=k)=inom{m}{k}p^k(1-p)^{m-k}$$

5. Morris algorithm  $\rightarrow$  birth process with adaptive sampling



- a.
- Maintain a log-counter **c** (aka Morris counter)
- init(): **c**← 0
- process()

For each item in the stream

- Increase **c** with probability 1/2°
- o/w keep same value
- b. Output estimate 2<sup>c</sup>-1

# 6. Why this estimator?

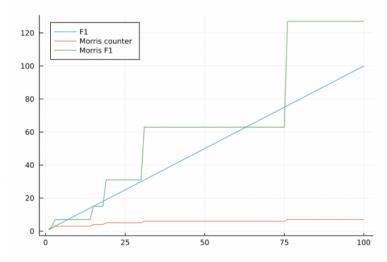
a. Claim: Define Xn to be the value of the counter after n increments. Then,  $E[2^Xn] = n + 1$ 

### Proof (induction)

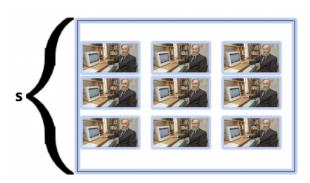
**Base case**: If n=0,  $X_n$ =0 and thus the claim holds. **Inductive step**: By conditional expectation rule  $E[2^{X_n+1}]=E[E[2^{X_n+1}|X_n]]$  and the inductive hypothesis, we obtain the following expression:

$$egin{aligned} Eigl[2^{X_{n+1}}igr] &= \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} P(X_n=j) Eigl[2^{X_{n+1}} \mid X_n=jigr] \ &= \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} P(X_n=j) \Big[ \, 2^j \Big(1-rac{1}{2^j}\Big) + 2^{j+1}rac{1}{2^j} \Big] \ &= \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} P(X_n=j) igl(2^j+1igr) = Eigl[2^{X_n}igr] \, + \, \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} \Pr(X_n=j) \ &= Eigl[2^{X_n}igr] + 1 \end{aligned}$$

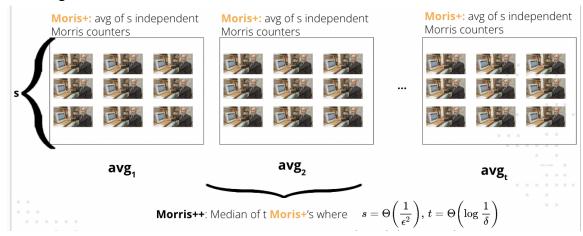
- b.
- c. Base:  $E[2^0] = 0 + 1 = 1$
- d. Ind hyp:  $E[2^Xn] = n + 1$
- e. We need to prove  $E[2^X_{n+1}] = (n+1) + 1 = n + 2$
- 7. Properties of Morris algorithm
  - a. The expectation of the variable  $Z=2^Xm$  satisfies the following
    - i. E[Z] = m + 1
  - b. Corollary: Morris algorithm outputs an unbiased estimator of m
    - i. The variance of Z is equal to Var[z] = m\*(m-1)/2
  - c. Observation: No improvement in terms of concentration as m grows since  $Var(z)/E(z)^2$  is constant
- 8. Morris algorithm



9. Morris+



- a.
- b. Suppose we run s Morris counters and we output the average  $\frac{1}{s} \sum_{i=1}^{s} m_i$ 
  - i. The average of this estimator remains the same but the variance scales down by a factor of 1/s
- c. Reducing variance: Morris ++



d.

e. Claim: the space complexity with probability  $1-\delta$  is

$$O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\lg\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right)\lg\lg\left(\frac{n}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right)$$
 and we obtain an (epsilon, delta) – an

approximation scheme to F1 fort insert-only streams

- 10. Optimal Algorithm for F1
  - a. Nelson and Yu proved recently that Morris algorithm is optimal by
    - i. Tightening the analysis of the space complexity

$$Oigg(\log\log n + \lograc{1}{\epsilon} + \log\lograc{1}{\delta}igg)$$
 for an (epsilon, beta) -

approximation scheme to F1

ii. Proving a tight lower bound, and thus practically nailing down the problem

### 11. How to set a?

a. Set  $a = 2*e^2*(delta)$  and apply ChebyShev's inequality

$$\Pr(|Z-m| \geq \epsilon m) \leq rac{Var(Z)}{\epsilon^2 m^2} = rac{rac{m(m-1)}{2} 2 \delta \epsilon^2}{\epsilon^2 m^2} \leq \delta$$

b. Space complexity:

### 12. Turnstile model

- a. Attempt: suppose we have a strict turnstile model. Can we use one Morris counter for insertions, and one for deletions and somehow combine them?
- b. No! If z+, z- are the approximate histograms of x+, x- of additions and deletions respectively, |z+-z-|, can be O(epsilon\*m) off in terms of additive error from the desired |x+-x-|