

# SDSC3001 - Assignment 3

## Question 1

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In [1]: import random

def reservoir_sampling(k, stream):
    reservoir = []
    for i, item in enumerate(stream):
        if i < k:
            # Fill reservoir until we have k items
            reservoir.append(item)
        else:
            # Randomly decide whether to replace an item
            j = random.randint(0, i) # Probability of keeping new item: k/(i+1)
            if j < k:
                reservoir[j] = item

    return reservoir
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In [2]: stream = range(1000) # Simulate a data stream
sample_size = 5
result = reservoir_sampling(sample_size, stream)
print(f"Random sample of {sample_size} items:", result)
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Random sample of 5 items: [405, 708, 311, 138, 409]

## Proof of correctness

Maintaining  $k$  uniform samples from a streaming set guarantees at any time point  $t \geq k$ , the probability of any element already possessed from the sampling set is  $\frac{k}{t}$ , which can be proven inductively.

When  $t = k$ , the reservoir is filled with the first  $k$  elements and each of these  $k$  elements in the reservoir with probability 1.

Assume that after filling first  $k$  element and processing  $t - 1$  elements, each element  $x_i$  is in the reservoir with the probability of  $\frac{k}{t-1}$ . Then, considering the  $t$ -th element  $x_t$ , if the probability of  $x_t$  being in the reservoir (not replaced by  $x_t$ , in other words) is  $1 - \frac{1}{t}$ .

Therefore, the probability that  $x_i$  is kept as a sample is the product of these two probability.

$$\frac{k}{t-1} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{t}\right) = \frac{k}{t}.$$

## Question 2

## Part A

When an itemset  $I$  has a size of  $m$ , there are  $2^m - 1$  possible subsets. When mining top- $k$  most frequent patterns,

$$\begin{aligned} 2^m - 1 &\leq k \\ 2^m &\leq k + 1 \\ m &\leq \log_2(k + 1) \\ \therefore m &= \lceil \log_2(k + 1) \rceil \end{aligned}$$

## Part B

### b.1

To prove  $f_S \geq \hat{f}_S \geq f_S - \frac{L}{C+1}$  for any pattern  $S$ , where:

- $f_S$  is the real support of pattern  $S$
- $\hat{f}_S$  is the approximate support from Misra-Gries
- $L$  is total number of subsets across all transactions
- $C$  is number of counters

First,  $f_S \geq \hat{f}_S$  is trivial since Misra-Gries algorithm never overestimates the frequency of any item, as it either increments a counter or decrements all counters.

Next, for  $\hat{f}_S \geq f_S - \frac{L}{C+1}$ , each decrement operation in Misra-Gries affects at most  $C+1$  counters, so the total number of decrements cannot exceed  $\frac{L}{C+1}$ , and maximum error for any pattern is bounded by total decrements. Therefore,  $f_S - \hat{f}_S \leq \frac{L}{C+1}$ , which is equal to  $\hat{f}_S \geq f_S - \frac{L}{C+1}$ .

### b.2

The inequality  $f_{S^k} \geq \hat{f}^k \geq f_{S^k} - \frac{L}{C+1}$  where

- $S^k$  is the real  $k$ -th most frequent pattern
- $\hat{f}^k$  is the  $k$ -th largest approximate support

can be proven similarly to the previous example. First,  $f_{S^k} \geq \hat{f}^k$  is trivial. Next, for  $\hat{f}^k \geq f_{S^k} - \frac{L}{C+1}$ , we know that  $\hat{f}_{S^k} \geq f_{S^k} - \frac{L}{C+1}$  as  $\hat{f}^k$  is the  $k$ -th largest approximate support and  $\hat{f}_{S^k}$  is just one of the approximate supports. Therefore, similar to the previous example, each decrement operation is bounded by  $\frac{L}{C+1}$ .

### b.3

(1) If  $f_S \geq f_{S^k}$ , as we know the approximation error  $f_S - \hat{f}_S \leq \frac{L}{C+1}$ , and  $\frac{L}{C+1}$  is a constant,  $\hat{f}_S$  is always less than or equal to  $f_{S^k}$  ( $= \hat{f}_S \leq f_{S^k}, \therefore S \in A$ ).

(2)  $\hat{f}_S \geq t = \hat{f}^k - \frac{L}{C+1}$  for any pattern in  $A$ . From b.1, we know that  $f_S \geq \hat{f}_S$  and we know  $\hat{f}^k \geq f_{S^k} - \frac{L}{C+1}$  from b.2.

- $\hat{f}_S \geq \hat{f}^k - \frac{L}{C+1} \dots 1$
- $f_S \geq \hat{f}_S \dots 2$
- $\hat{f}^k \geq f_{S^k} - \frac{L}{C+1} \dots 3$

By combining inequalities 1 and 2,  $f_S \geq \hat{f}^k - \frac{L}{C+1}$ , and combining this with inequality 3,  $f_S \geq f_{S^k} - \frac{2L}{C+1}$ .

## b.4

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In [3]: import math
import sys
from collections import Counter
from itertools import combinations

class FrequentPatterns:
    def __init__(self):
        self.transactions = []
        self.patterns = {}

    # def load_data(self):
    with open("trans.txt") as f:
        for line in f:
            transaction = list(map(int, line.split()))
            self.transactions.append(transaction)

    with open("patterns_Apriori.txt") as f:
        for line in f:
            key, value = line.strip().split(":")
            # key = tuple(sorted(map(int, key.split(","))))
            key = frozenset(map(int, key.split(",")))
            self.patterns[key] = int(value)

    def Misra_Gries(self, C, k=500):
        m = math.ceil(math.log2(k + 1)) # maximum size of patterns we need to cons
        L = 0 # number of subsets in transactions processed

        counter = Counter() # pattern frequency counter

        # Upon receiving a_t, check if there is a counter for a_t
        for transaction in self.transactions:
            subsets = [] # transaction subsets
            for i in range(1, min(m, len(transaction)) + 1):
                # subsets.extend(tuple(sorted(c)) for c in combinations(transaction
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        subsets.extend(frozenset(c) for c in combinations(transaction, i))
    L += len(subsets)

    for subset in subsets:
        if subset in counter or len(counter) < C:
            counter[subset] += 1
        else:
            for key in list(counter.keys()):
                counter[key] -= 1
                if counter[key] == 0:
                    del counter[key]
    counter_sorted = counter.most_common()

    # threshold  $t = \hat{f}^k - \frac{L}{C+1}$ 
    threshold = counter_sorted[k - 1][1] - L / (C + 1)
    # filtered patterns:  $\hat{f}_s \geq t$ 
    A = list(filter(lambda x: x[1] >= threshold, counter_sorted))

    min_sup = sys.maxsize
    min_pattern = frozenset()
    for item, _ in A:
        if self.patterns[item] < min_sup:
            min_sup = self.patterns[item]
            min_pattern = item

    return L, min_sup, min_pattern

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In [4]:

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# if there is one, increment the counter
# if there isn't one,
#   and there is at least one counter available, use an available
#   and there is no available counter, decrement all counters by
#
# if subset in counter:
#   counter[subset] += 1
# else:
#   if len(counter) < C:
#       counter[subset] = 1
#   else:
#       for key in list(counter.keys()):
#           counter[key] -= 1
#           if counter[key] == 0:
#               del counter[key]

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In [5]: frequent\_patterns = FrequentPatterns()

In [6]:

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for count in [500_000, 750_000, 1_000_000]:
    L, min_sup, min_pattern = frequent_patterns.Misra_Gries(count)
    print(f"C = {count}; value of {L} = {L}, {min_sup} = {min_sup}, {min_pattern} = {min_pattern}")

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C = 500000; value of L = 59340244, min\_sup = 1037, min\_pattern = frozenset({829})

C = 750000; value of L = 59340244, min\_sup = 1077, min\_pattern = frozenset({77, 151})

C = 1000000; value of L = 59340244, min\_sup = 1098, min\_pattern = frozenset({24, 468})