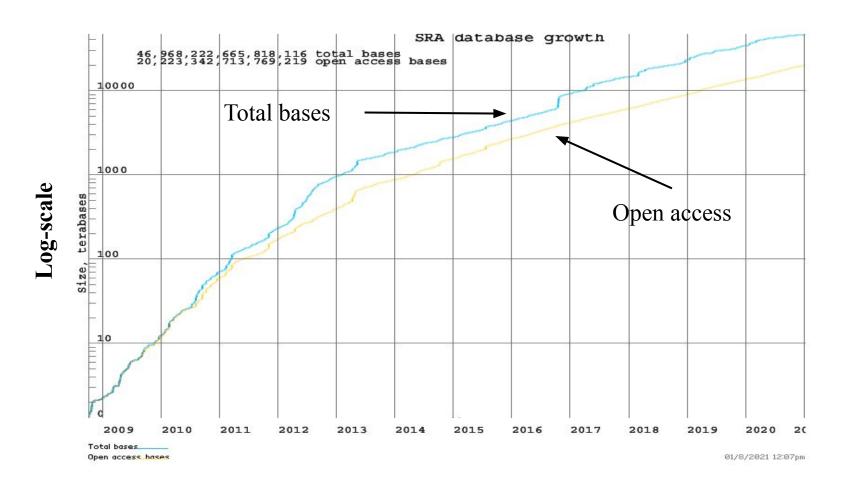
Data Science at Scale: Scaling Up by Scaling Down and Out (to Disk)

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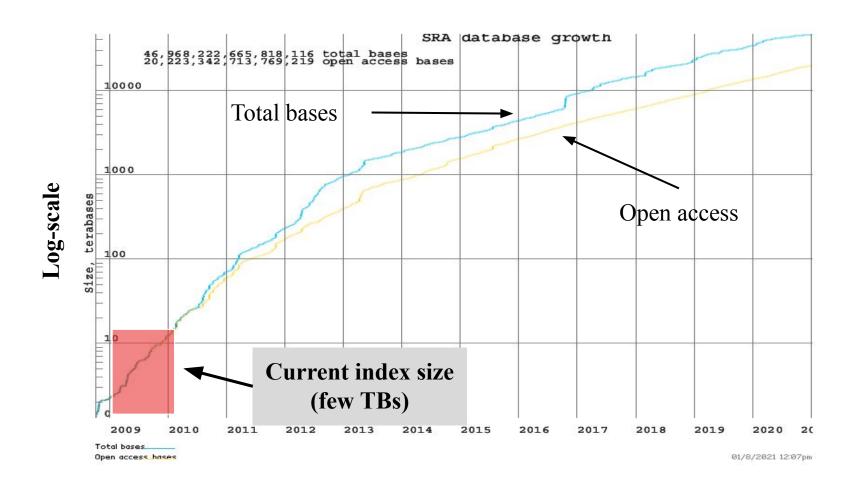
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Sequence Read Archive (SRA) database growth



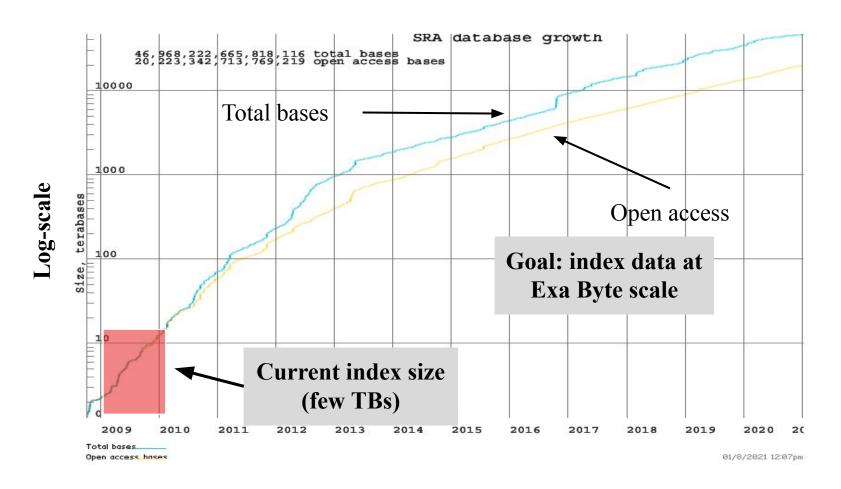
SRA contains a lot of *diversity information*Goal: perform *sequence searches* on the database

Scalability is the bottleneck for data science



Data science applications only looking at a *small portion* of data

Scalable data systems → Scalable data science



My goal as a researcher is to build *scalable data systems* to *accelerate* and *scale data science* applications

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- Distributed hash table
- Distributed key-value store

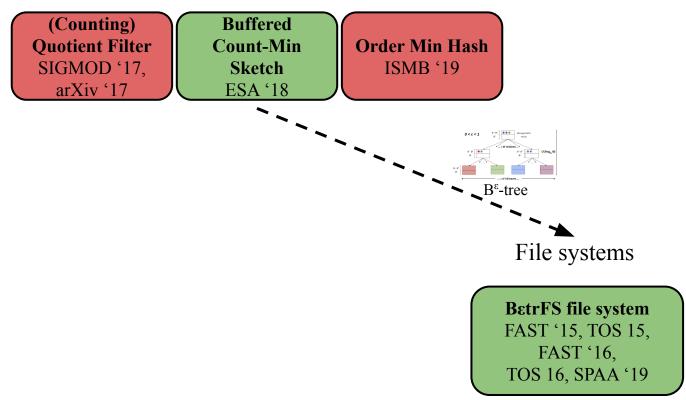
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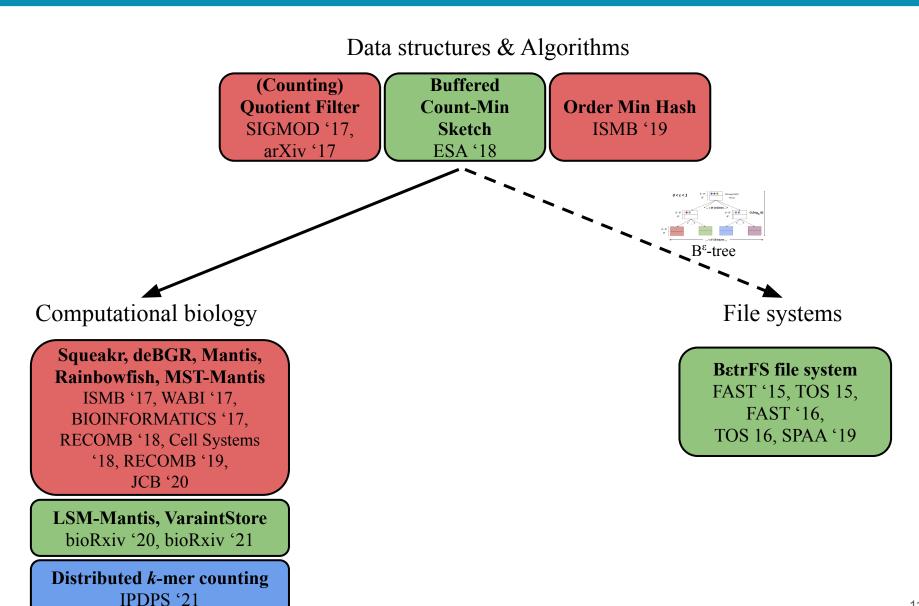
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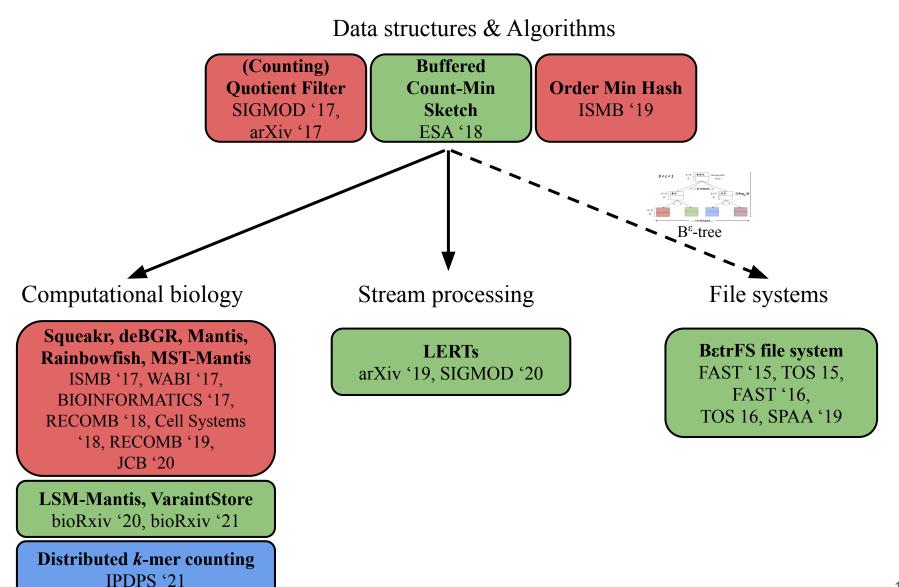
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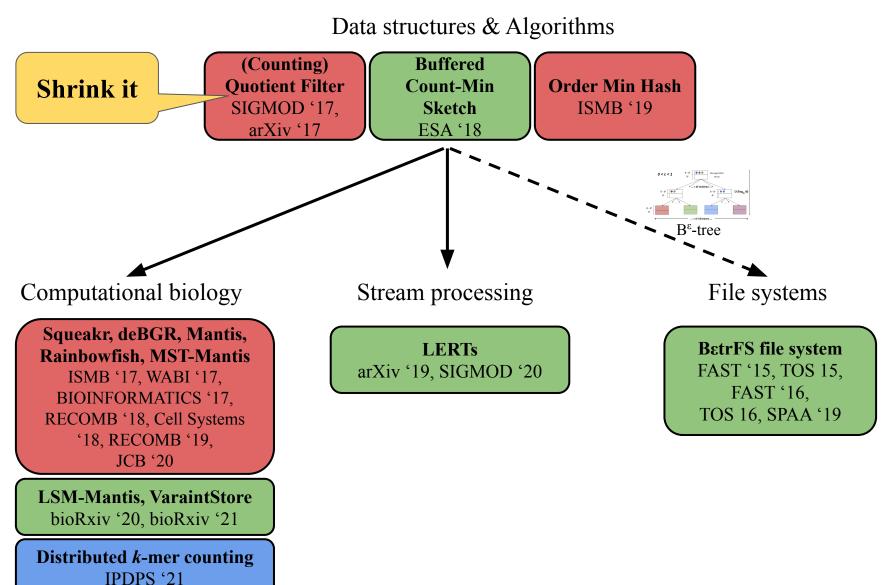
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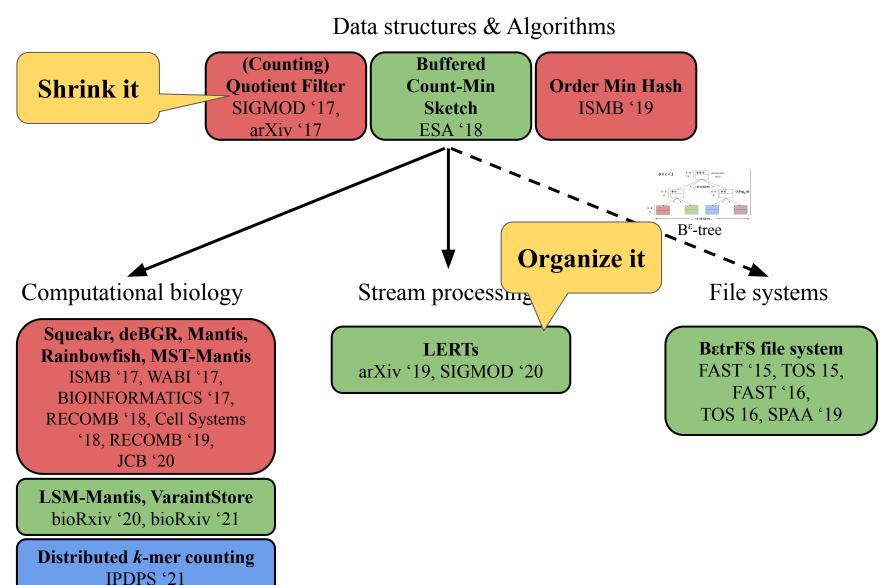




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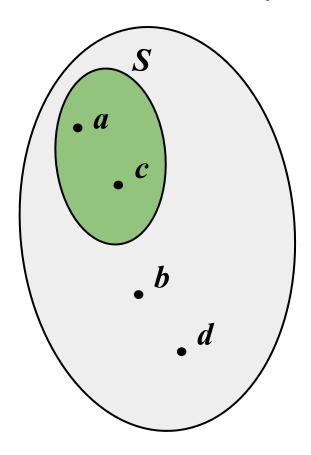


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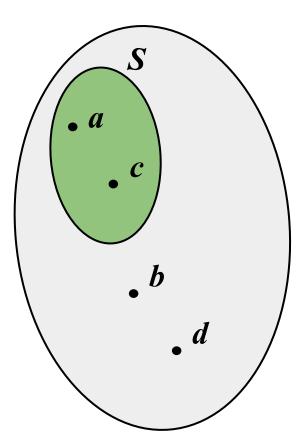
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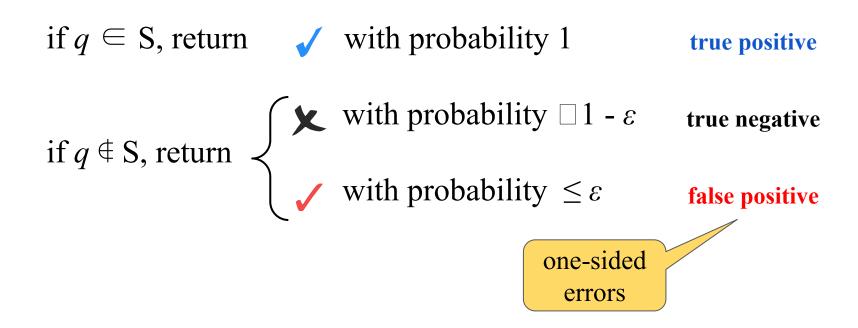
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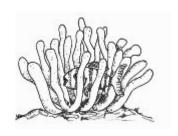
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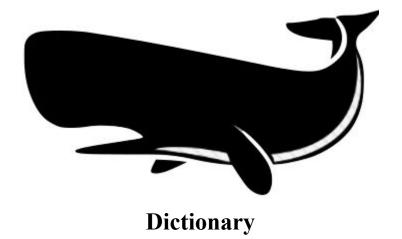
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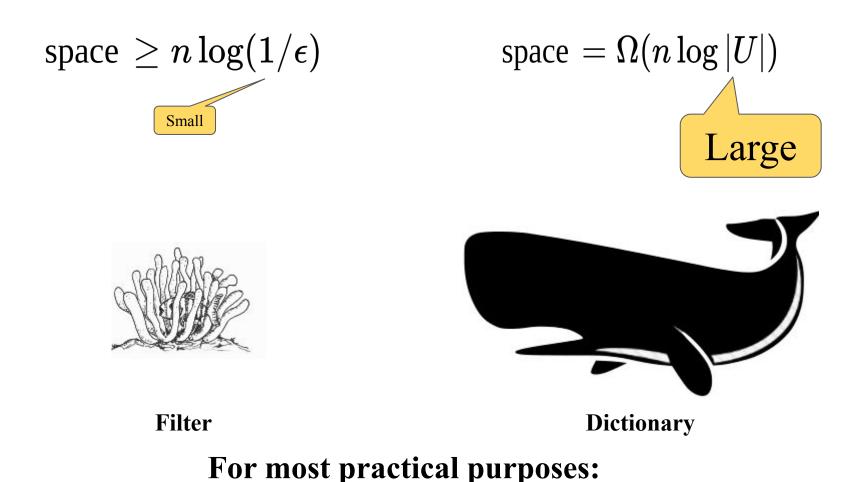
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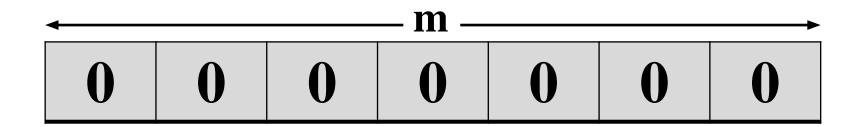
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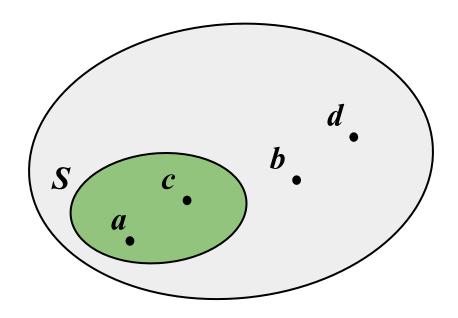


 $\varepsilon = 2\%$, Bloom filter requires ≈ 8 bits/item

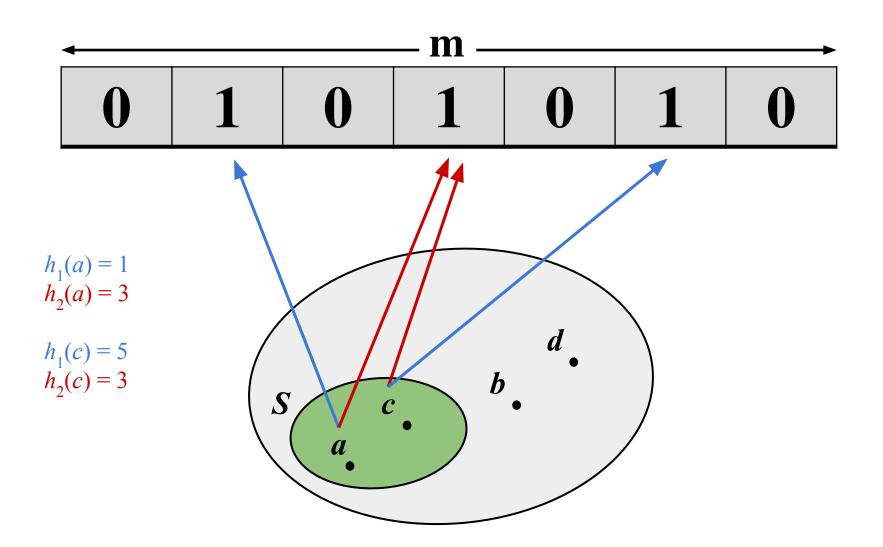
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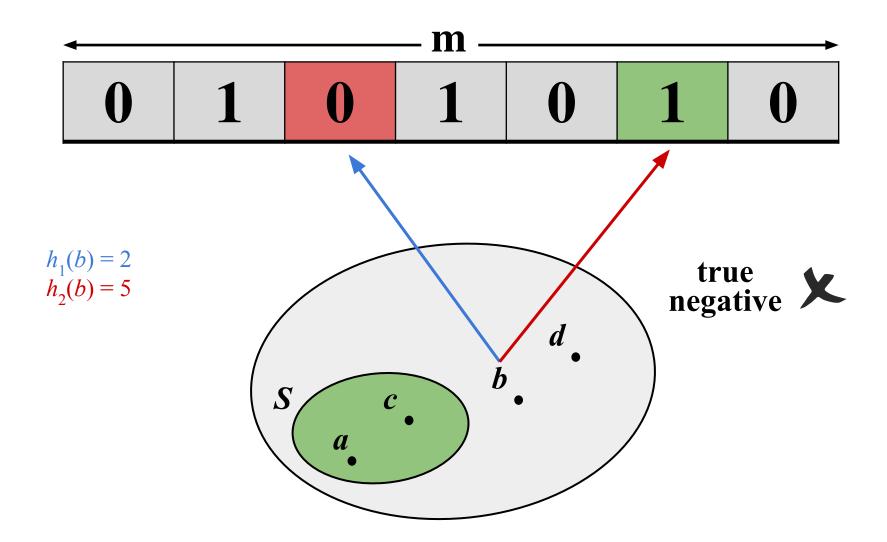




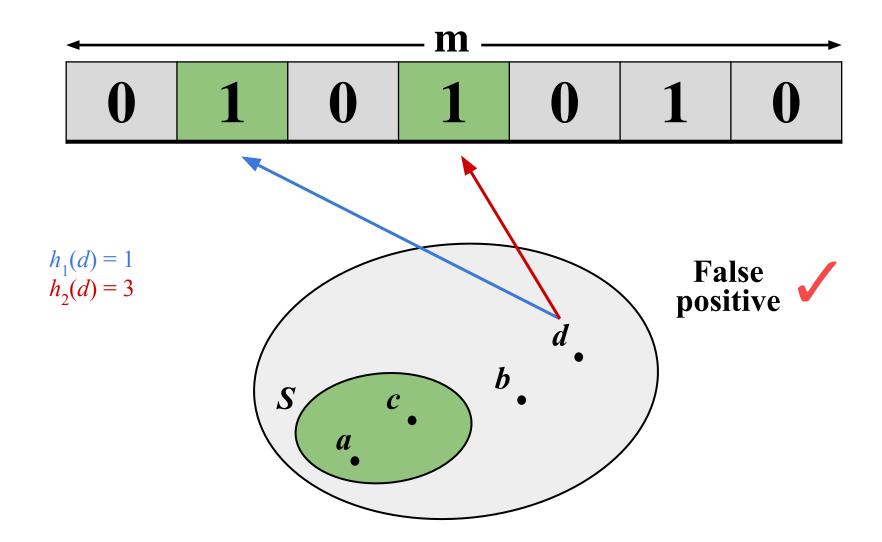
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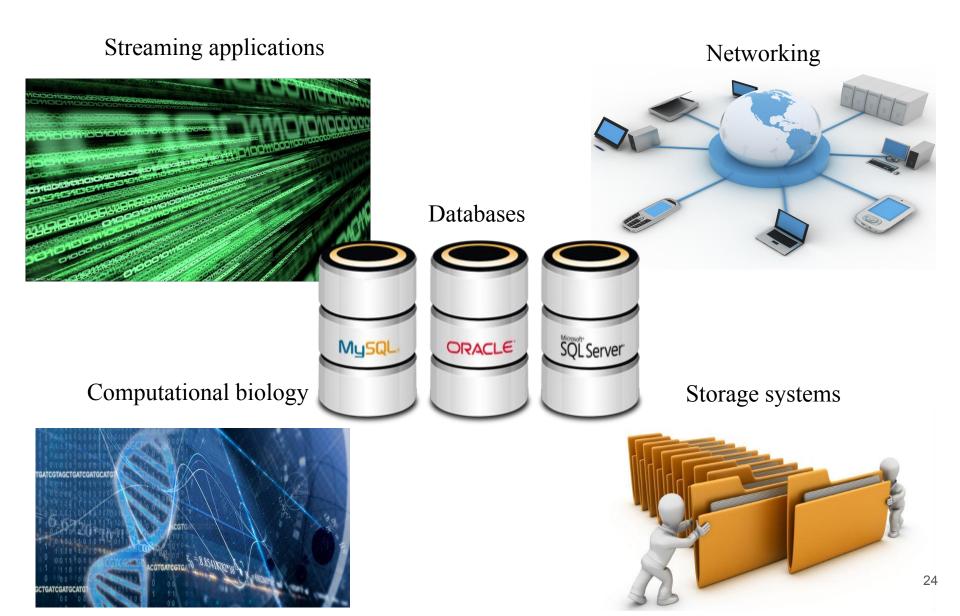
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Bloom filter are ubiquitous (> 4300 citations)



Bloom filter have suboptimal asymptotics

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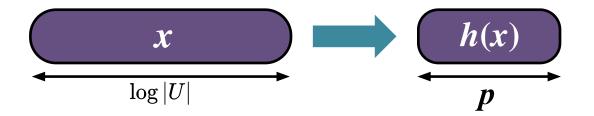
Application often work around Bloom filter limitations

Limitations	Workarounds	
No deletes	Rebuild	
No resizes	Guess N, and rebuild if wrong	
No filter merging or enumeration	???	
No values associated with keys	Combine with another data structure	

Bloom filter limitations increase system complexity, waste space, and slow down application performance

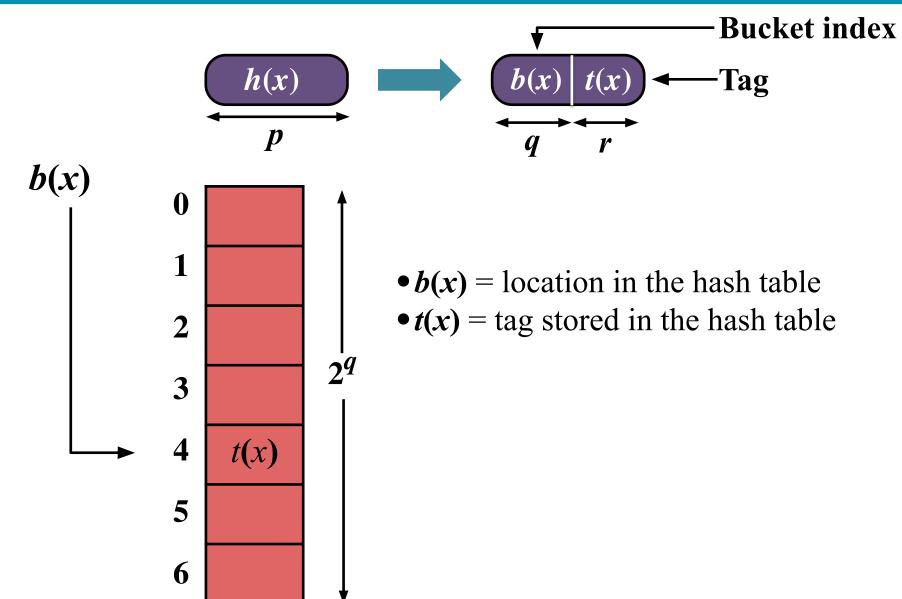
Quotienting is an alternative to Bloom filters [Knuth. Searching and Sorting Vol. 3, '97]

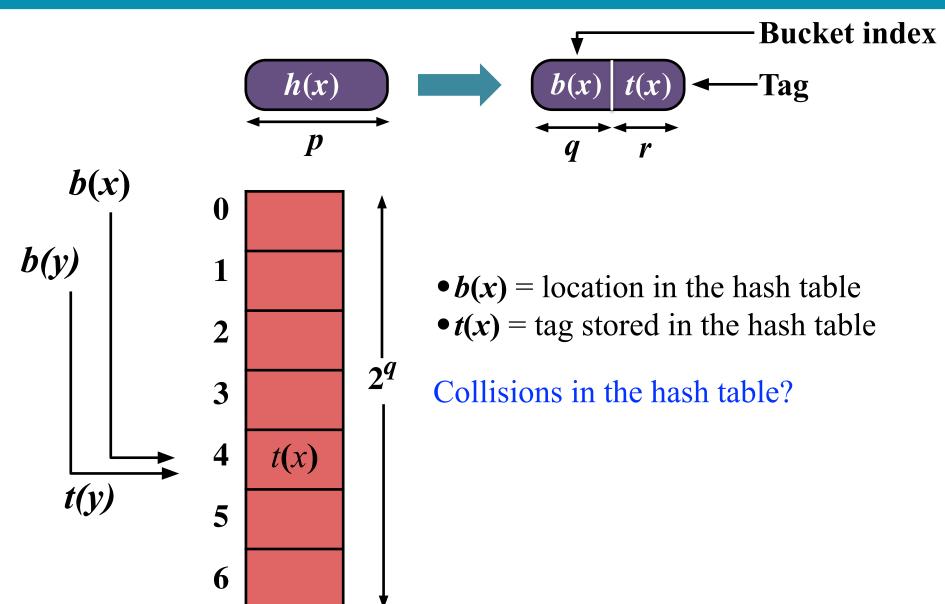
- Store fingerprints compactly in a hash table.
 - \circ Take a fingerprint h(x) for each element x.

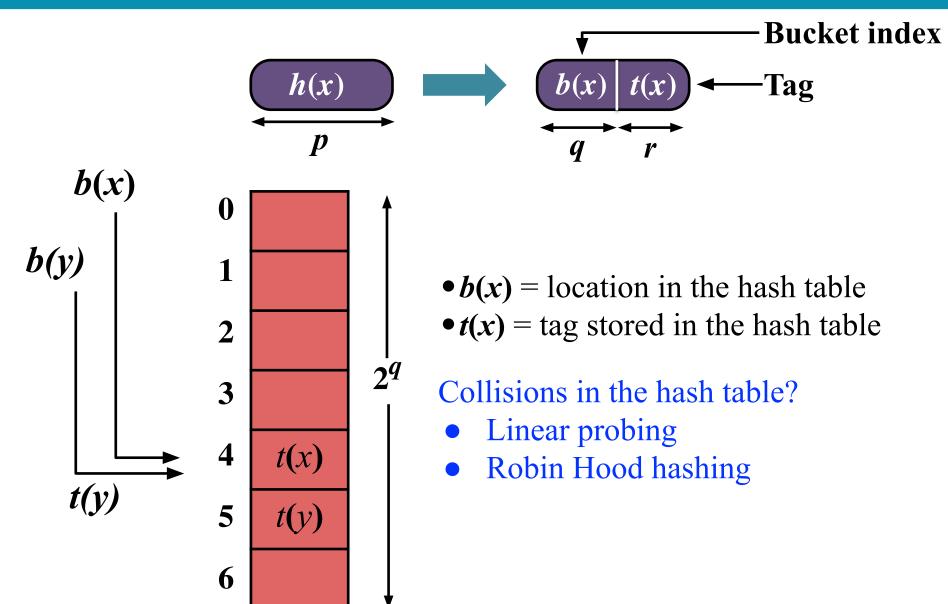


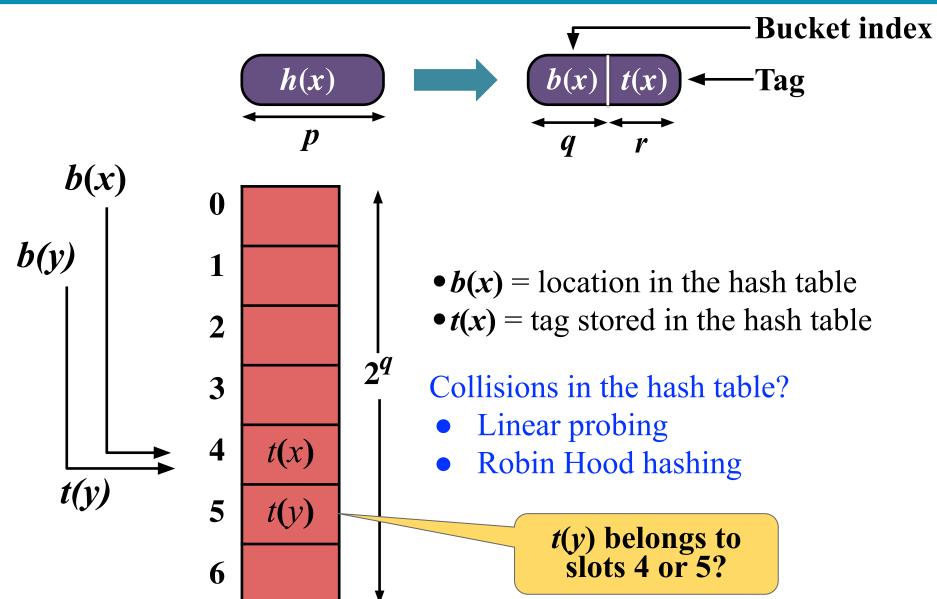
- Only source of false positives:
 - Two distinct elements x and y, where h(x) = h(y)
 - \circ If x is stored and y isn't, query(y) gives a false positives

$$\Pr[x \text{ and } y \text{ collide}] = \frac{1}{2^p}$$









Resolving collisions in the QF [Bender '12, Pandey '17]

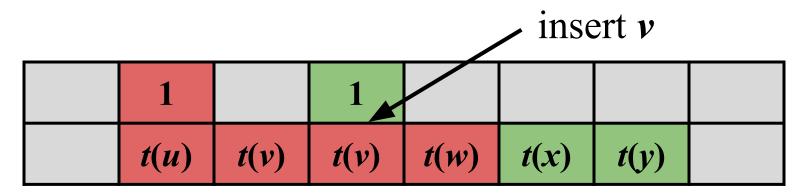
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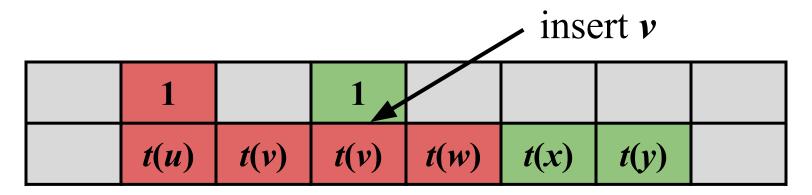
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The metadata bits enable us to identify the slots holding the contents of each bucket.

Quotienting enables many features in the QF

- Good cache locality
- Efficient scaling out-of-RAM
- Deletions
- Enumerability/Mergeability
- Resizing
- Maintains count estimates
- Uses variable-sized encoding for counts [Counting quotient filter]
 - Asymptotically optimal space: $O(\sum |C(x)|)$

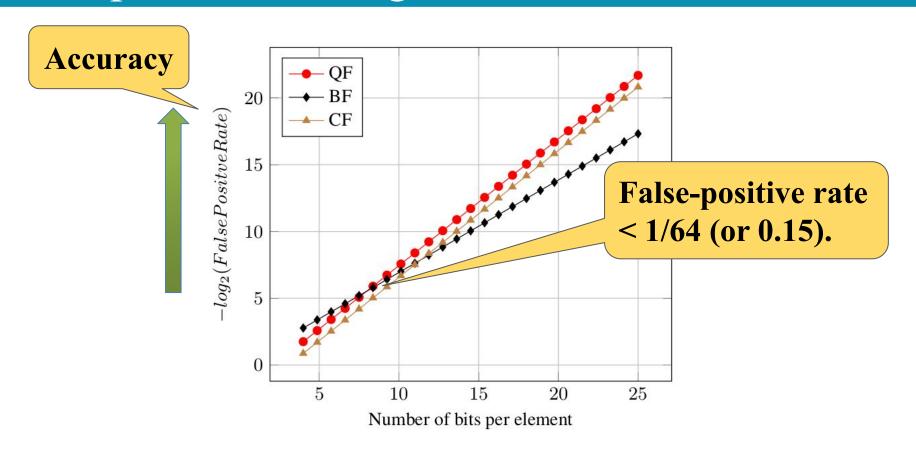


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Data locality	1 probe + scan	$\Omega(1/\epsilon)$ probes	O(1) probes

The quotient filter has theoretical advantages over the Bloom filter

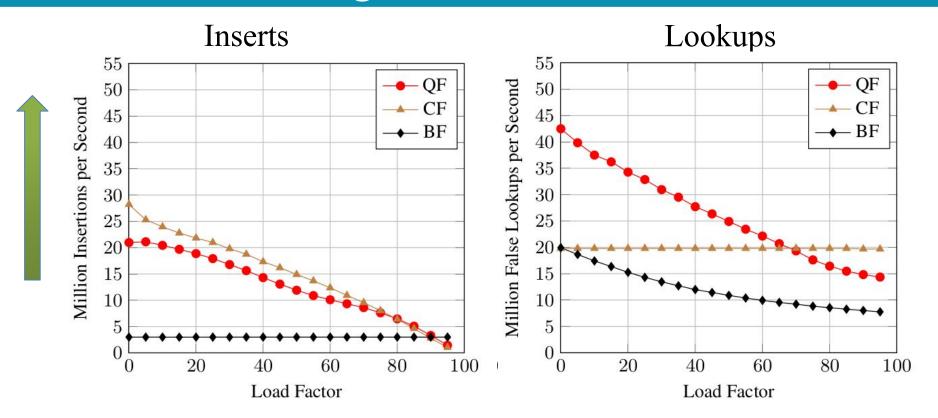
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Bloom filter: $\sim 1.44 \log(1/\varepsilon)$ bits/element.

Quotient filter: $\sim 2.125 + log(1/\epsilon)$ bits/element.

Quotient filters perform better (or similar) to other non-counting filters



- Insert performance is similar to the state-of-the-art non-counting filters
- Query performance is significantly fast at low load-factors and slightly slower at higher load-factors

Quotient filter's impact in computer science

Computational biology

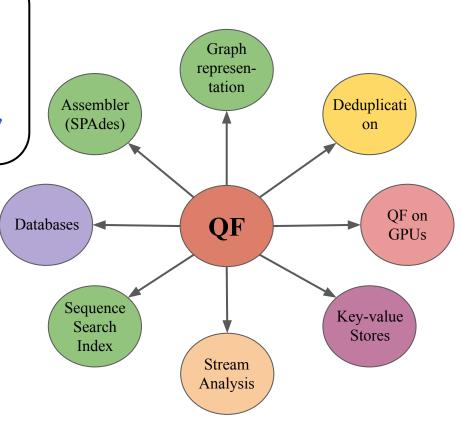
- 1. Squeakr
- 2. deBGR
- 3. Mantis
- 4. SPAdes assembler
- 5. Khmer software
- 6. MQF
- 7. VariantStore

Databases/Systems

- 1. Counting on GPUs
- 2. Concurrent filters
- 3. Anomaly detection
- 4. BetrFS file system

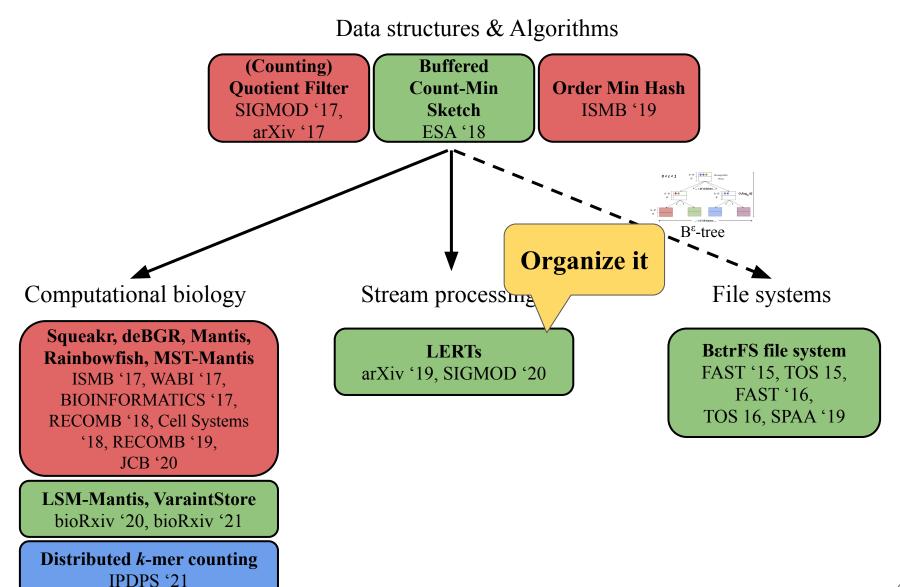
Industry

- 1. VMware
- 2. Nutanix
- 3. Apocrypha
- 4. Hyrise
- 5. A data security startup



Theoretically well-founded data structures can have a big impact on multiple subfields across academia and industry

Learned "Shrink it". Now "Organize it"



Open problem in stream processing

- A high-speed stream of key-value pairs arriving over time
- Goal: report every key as soon as it appears *T* times without missing any
- Firehose benchmark (Sandia National Lab) simulates the stream https://firehose.sandia.gov/



Why should we care about this problem

Defense systems for cyber security monitor high-speed streams for malicious traffic

Catch all malicious events

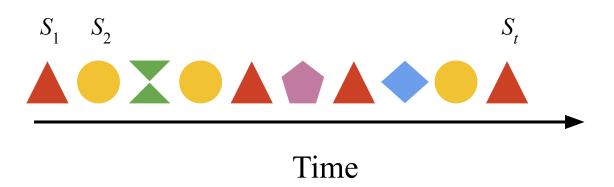
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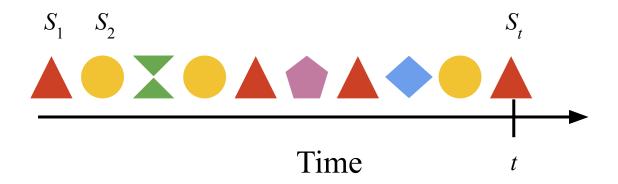
Automated systems take defensive actions for every reported event

→ Minimize false positives

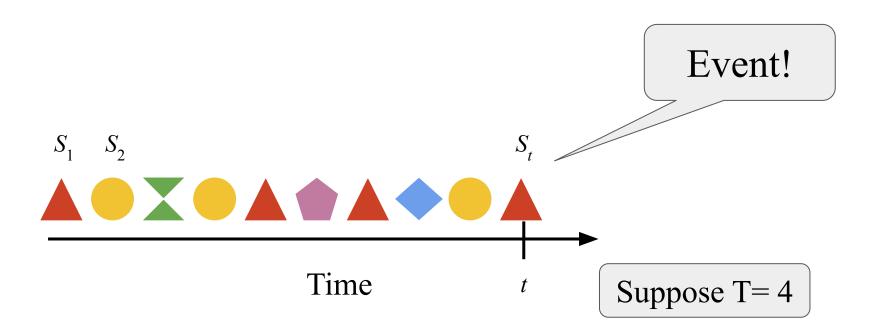
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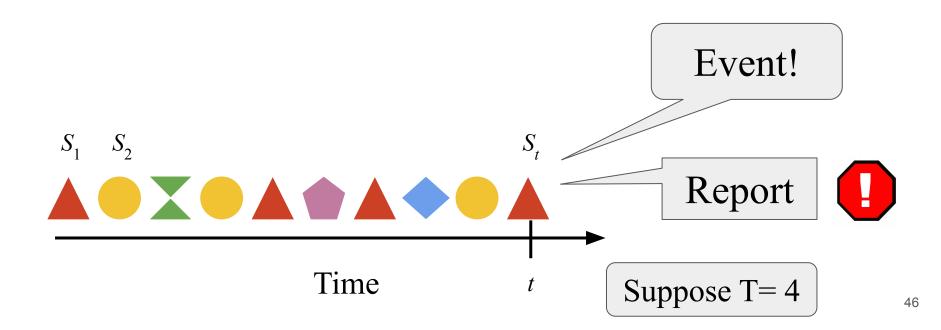
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- In **timely event-detection problem (TED)**, we want to report all events shortly after they occur.



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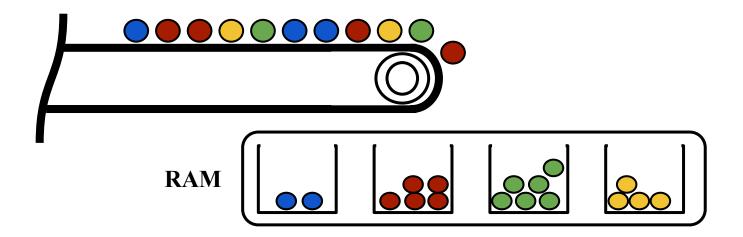






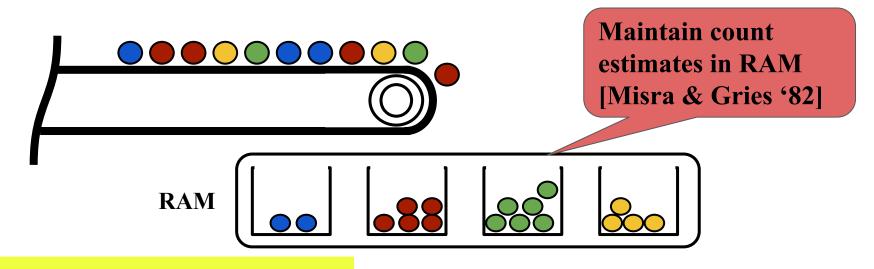
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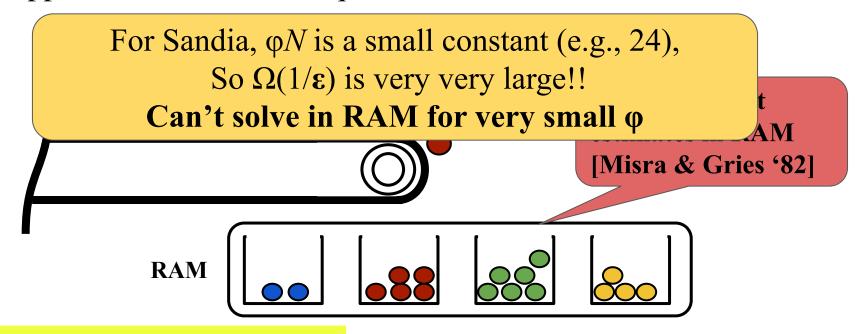
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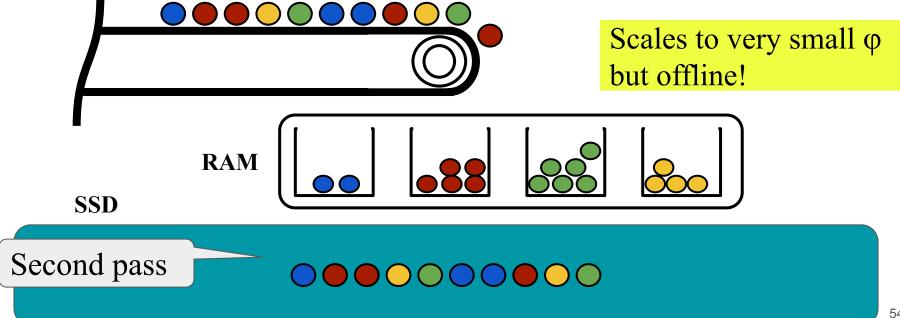
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Two-pass streaming isn't real-time

- A second pass over the stream can get rid of errors
- Store the stream on SSD and access it later



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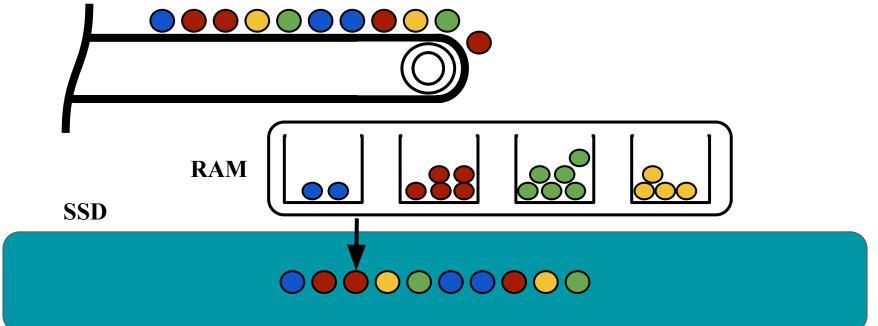
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If data is stored: why not access it?

Why wait for second pass?





Idea: combine Streaming and EM

Use an efficient external-memory counting data structure to scale Misra-Gries algorithm to SSDs



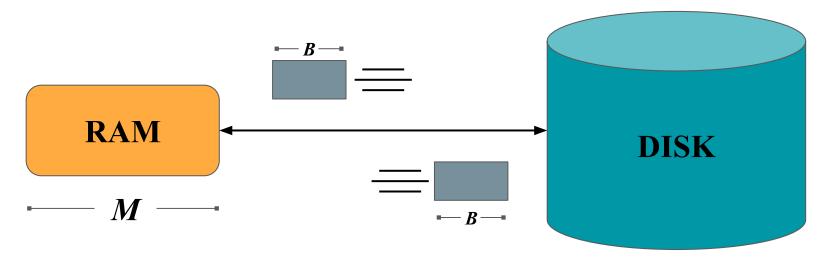
External memory model [Aggarwal+Vitter '08]

• How computations work:

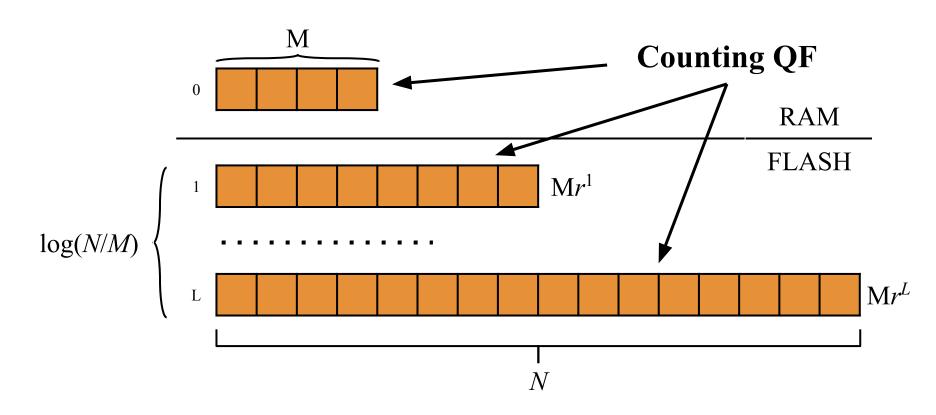
- Data is transferred in blocks between RAM and disk.
- The number of block transfers dominate the running time.

• Goal: Minimize number of block transfers

 \circ Performance bounds are parameterized by block size B, memory size M, data size N.



Cascade filter: write-optimized quotient filter [Bender et al. '12, Pandey et al. '17]



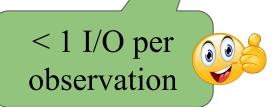
- The Cascade filter efficiently scales out-of-RAM
- It accelerates insertions at some cost to queries

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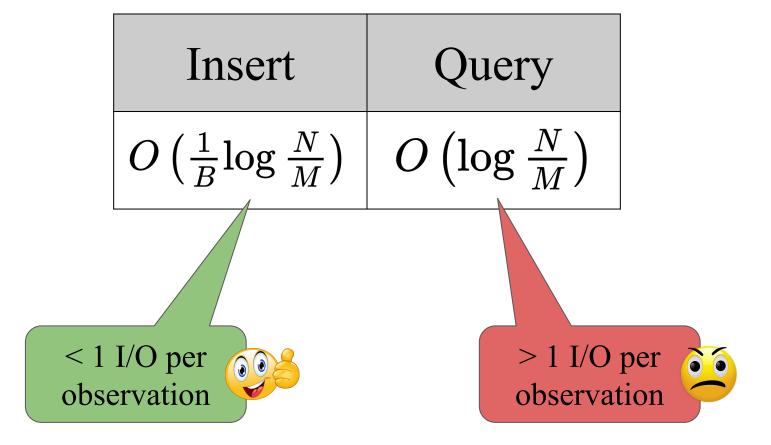
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observation



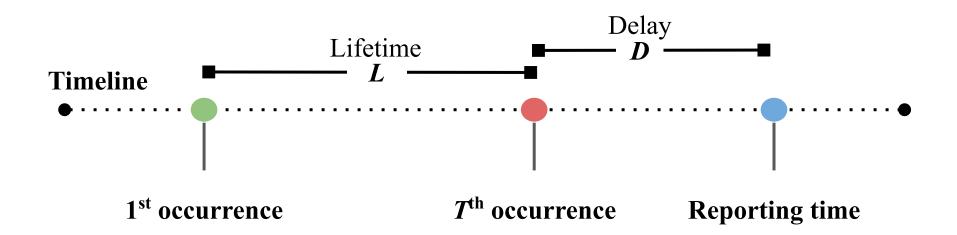
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Main idea: the longer the lifetime of an item, the more leeway we have in reporting it

1st occurrence

Tth occurrence

Reporting time

Leveled External-Memory Reporting Table (LERT) [Pandey '20]

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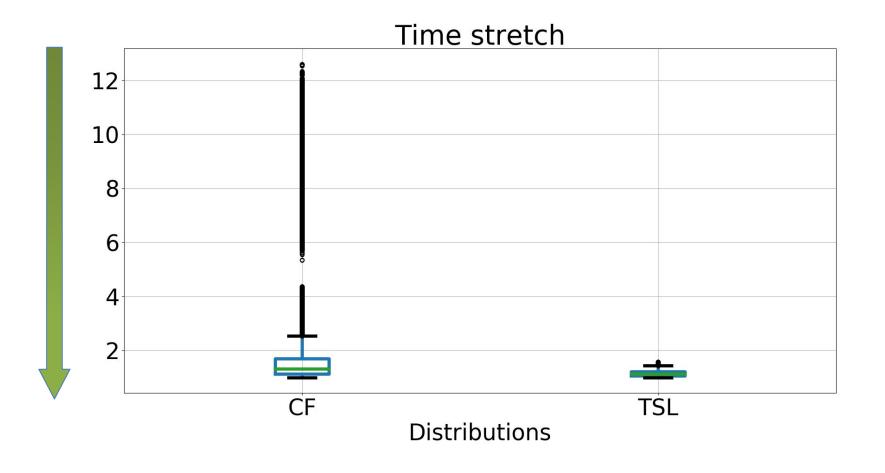
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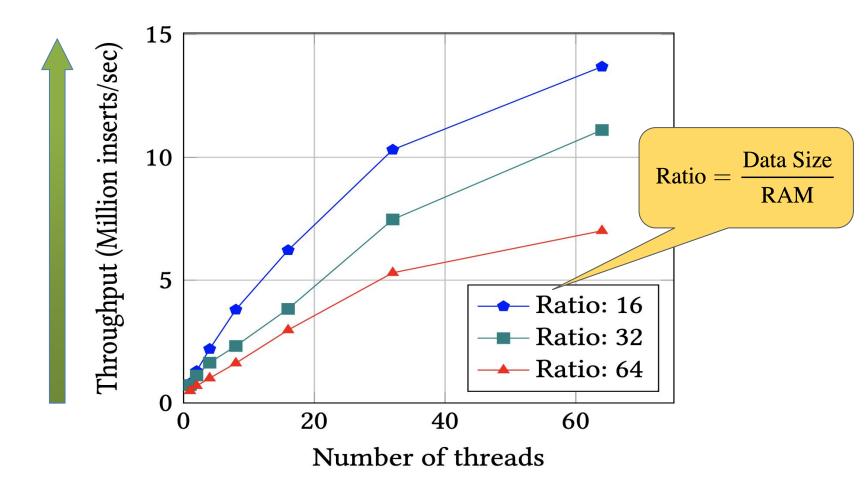
- Empirical timeliness
- High-throughput ingestion

Evaluation: empirical time stretch



Average time stretch is 43% smaller than theoretical upper bound.

Evaluation: scalability



The insertion throughput increases as we add more threads.

We can achieve > 13M insertions/sec.

LERT: supports scalable and real-time reporting

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Future work overview

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Scalable Data Systems

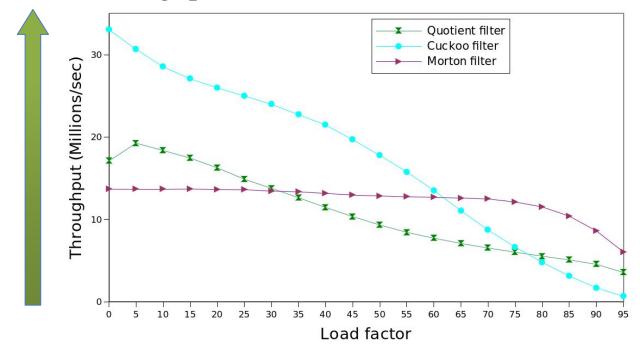
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Future work: Data Structures & Algorithms

Goal: Overcome *decades-old* data structure *trade-offs* using modern hardware and new algorithmic paradigms

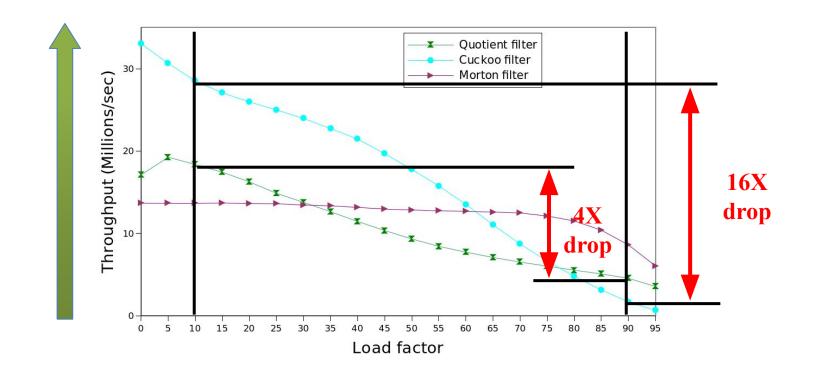
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Insertion throughput vs load factor of state-of-the-art filters



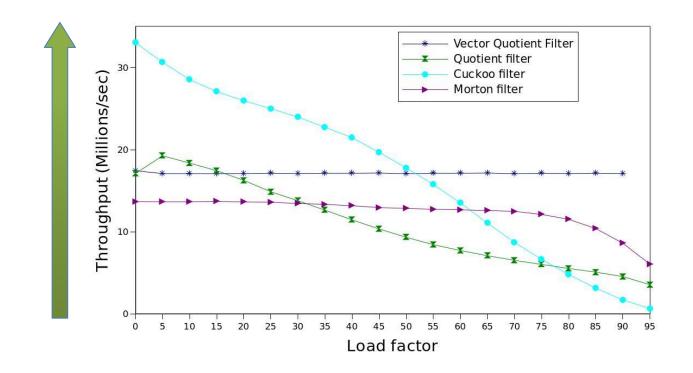
Many update-intensive applications (e.g., network caches, data analytics, etc.) maintain filters at high load factors

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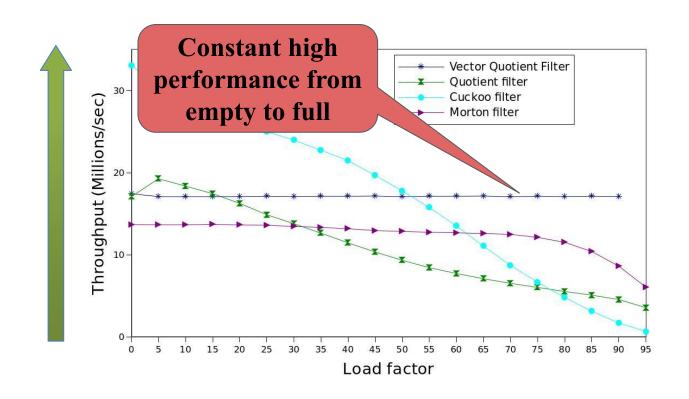
Performance suffers due to high-overhead of collision resolution

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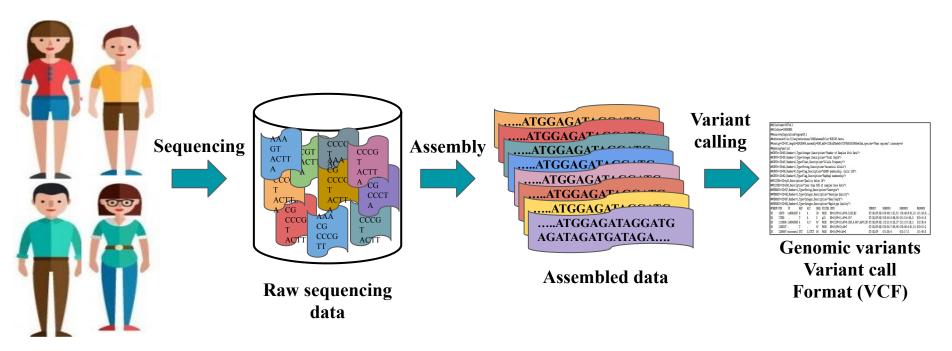


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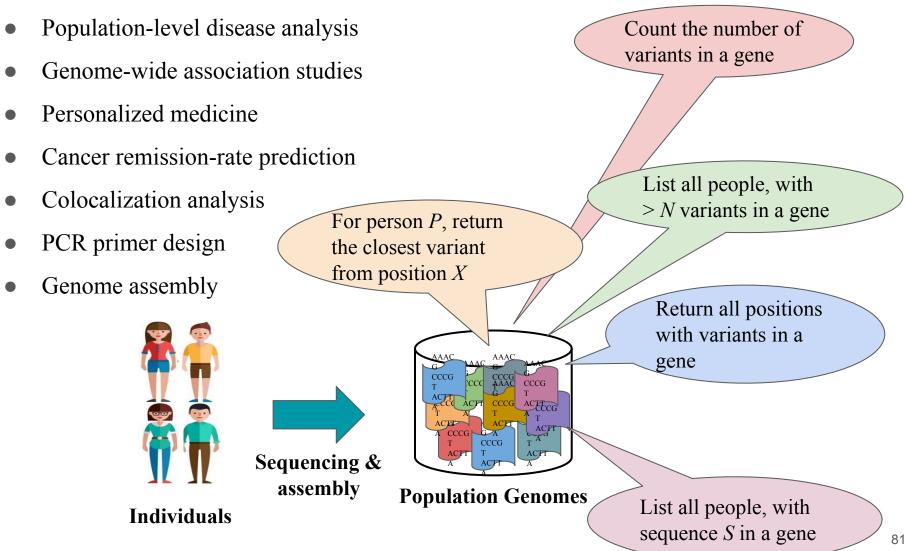
Goal: Build a *population-scale* index on variation data to enable downstream apps gain *quick insights into variants*

Country-scale sequencing efforts produce huge amounts of sequencing data



- **Individuals**
 - 1000 Genomes project [https://www.internationalgenome.org/]
 - The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA) [https://portal.gdc.cancer.gov/]
 - Genotype-Tissue Expression (GTEx) [https://gtexportal.org/home/]

Variation data analysis can improve downstream applications



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An inverted index on the pan-genome graph

Node id: 0

Seq len: 1

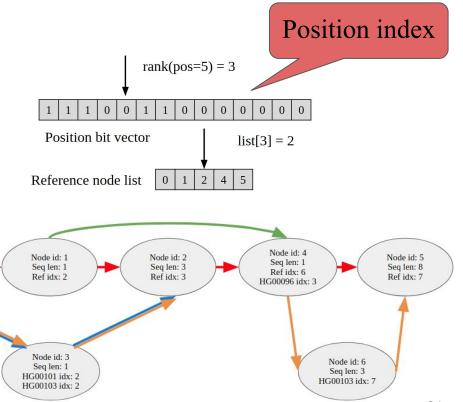
Ref idx: 1

- Partition the variation graph based on coordinate ranges
- Store partitions on disk

Queries often require loading 1-2 partitions

- Succinct index for reference coordinate system
- Local-graph exploration to map position from reference to sample coordinate

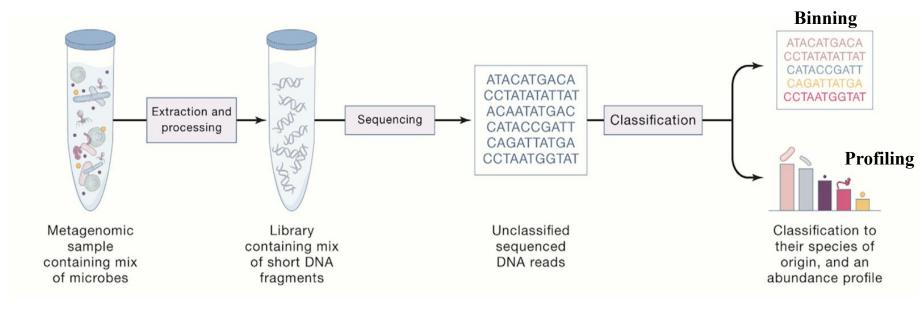
Variation graph



Future work: Data Science for genomics

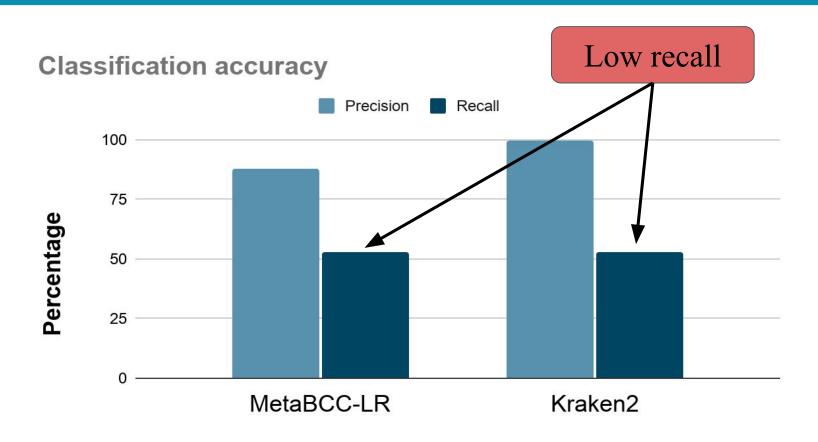
Goal: Classification of metagenomic reads and identification of novel species using graph neural networks (GNN)

Metagenomic classification pipeline



[Ye et al. 2019]

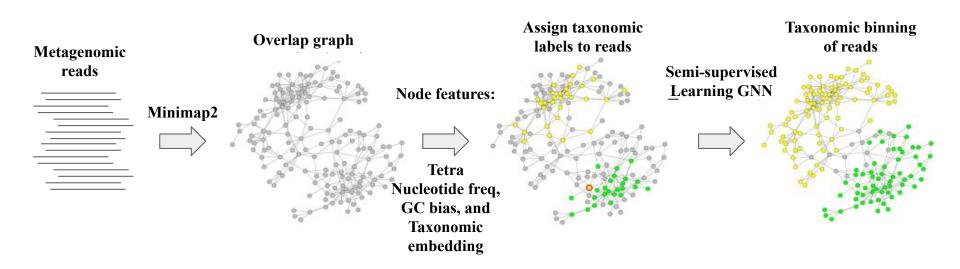
Existing techniques offer low recall



Classification tools

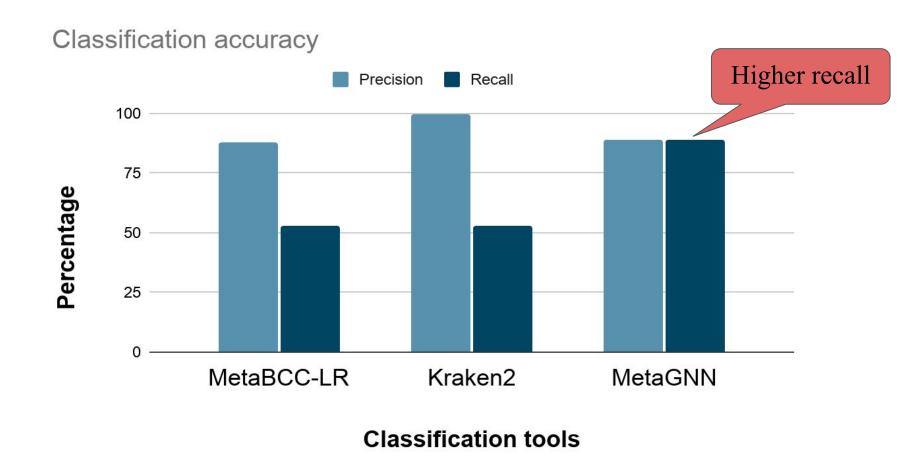
Classification is done based only on the read contents

Use overlap relationship between reads



- Generate overlap graph: reads→nodes & overlap →edges
- Node features → Tetra nucleotide freq of reads
- Reference-based mapping as ground truth labels

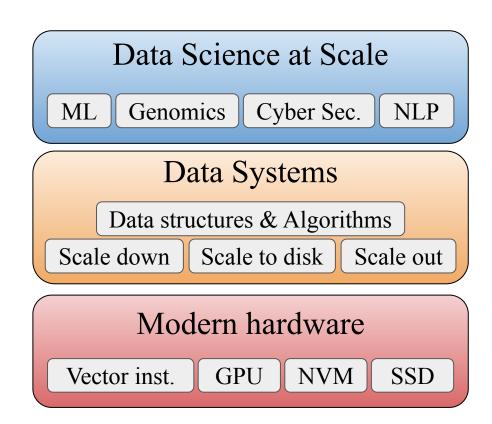
Overlap graph + graph neural network (GNN)



Can achieve high recall using graph learning

Conclusion

- Scalability of data management systems will be the biggest challenge in future
- Changing hardware give rise to new algorithmic paradigms



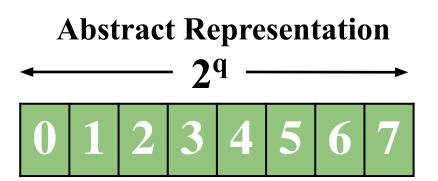
We need to *redesign* existing data structures to take full advantage of modern hardware and *rebuild* data systems to efficiently support *future* data science.

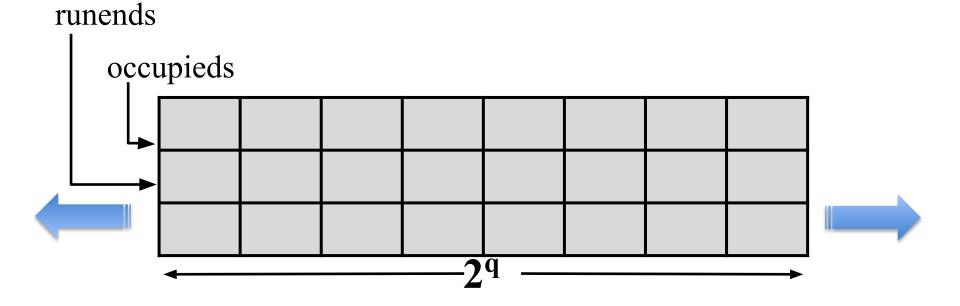
Backup slides

Implementation:

2 Meta-bits per slot.

$$h(x) \longrightarrow h_{\theta}(x) \mid\mid h_{I}(x)$$

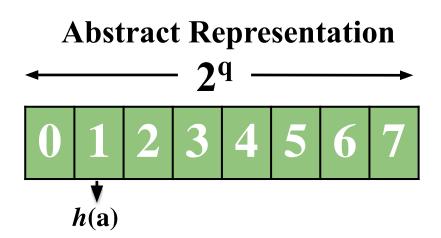


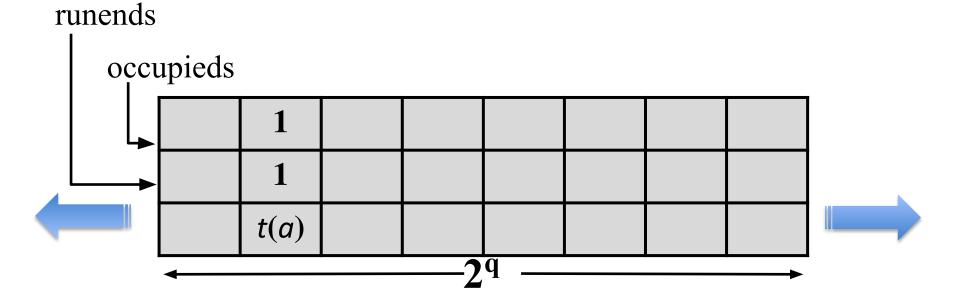


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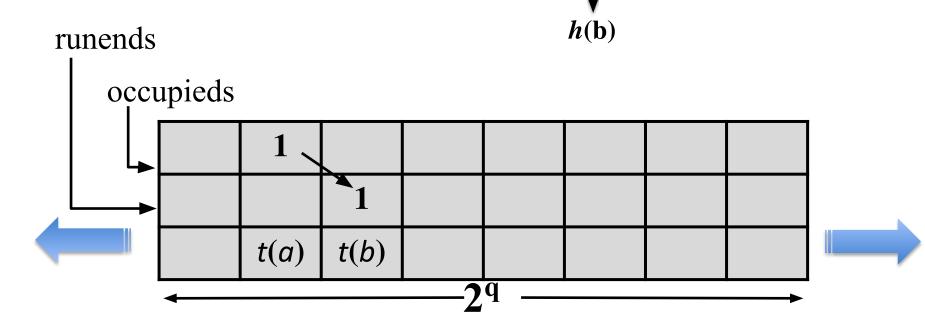




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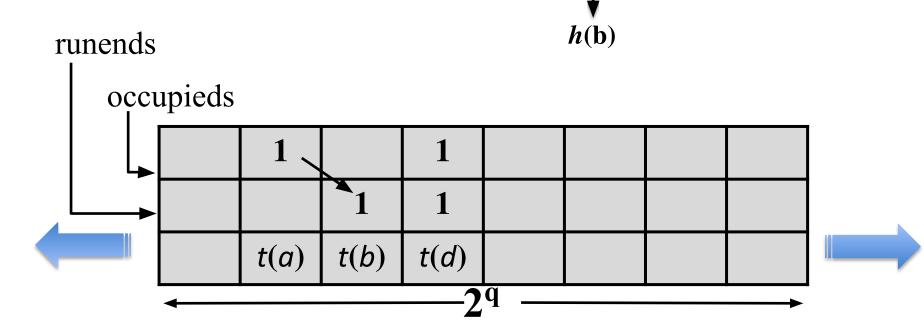
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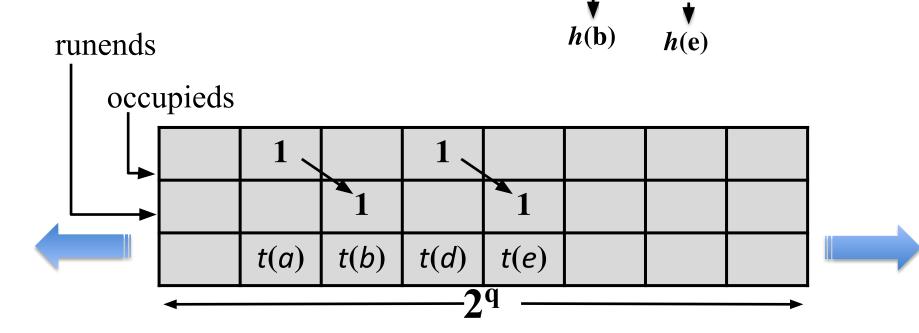
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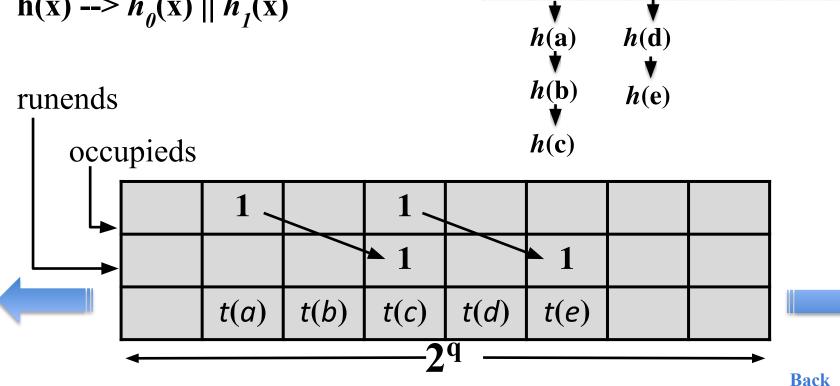
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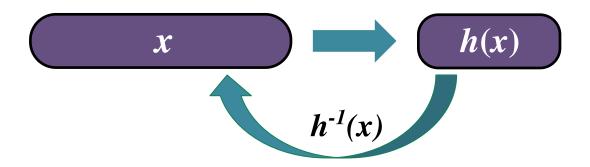
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Abstract Representation

Quotient filters can also be exact

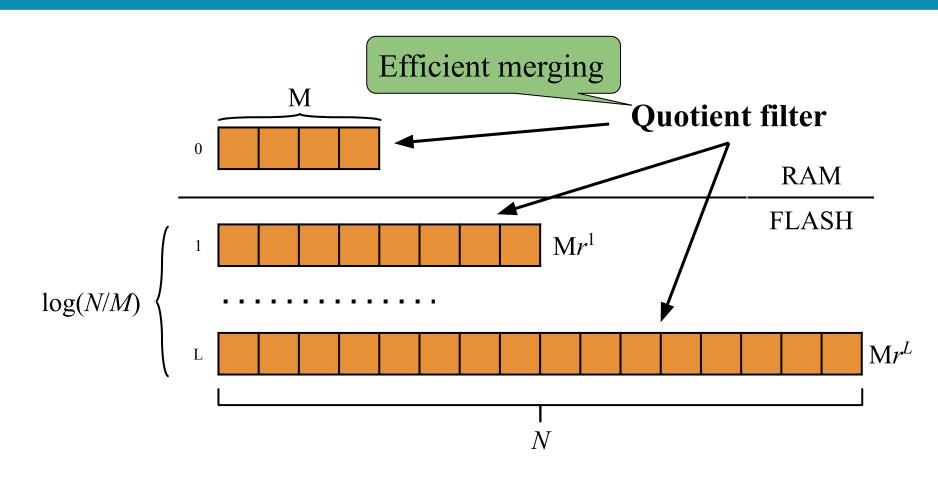
- Quotient filters store h(x) exactly
- To store x exactly, use an invertible hash function



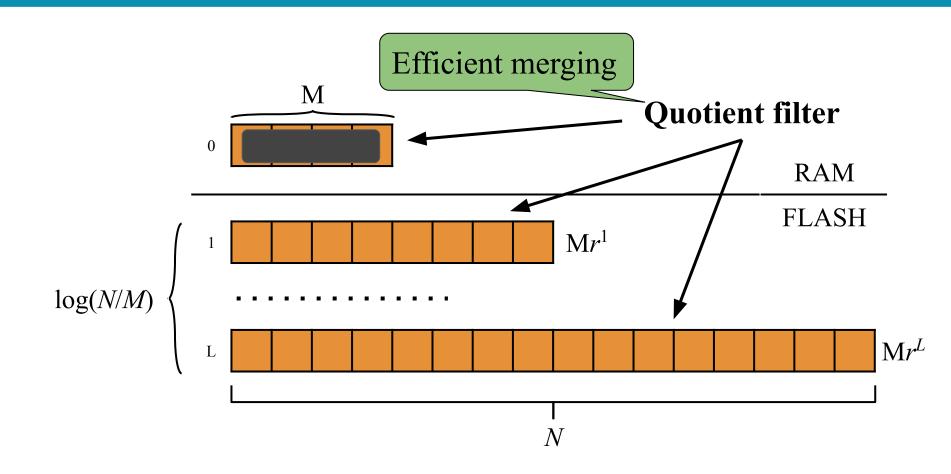
• For *n* elements and *p*-bit hash function:

Space usage: $\sim p - \log_2 n$ bits/element

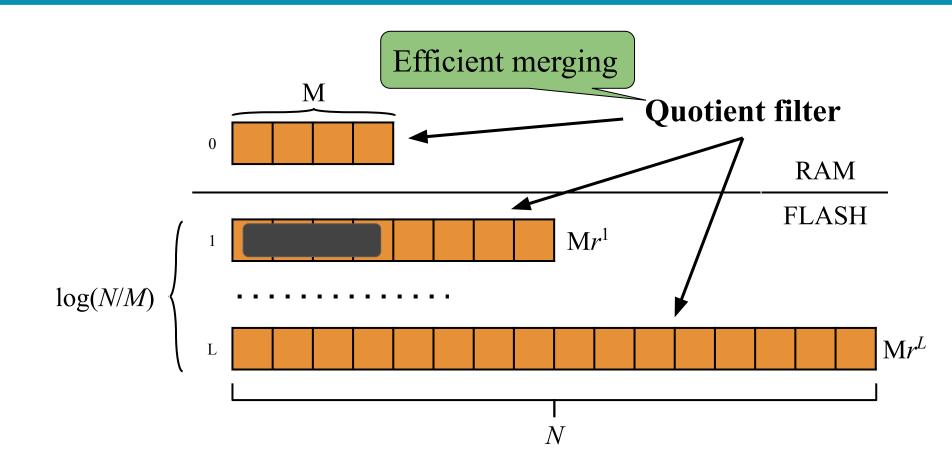
Cascade filter: write-optimized quotient filter [Bender et al. '12, Pandey et al. '17]

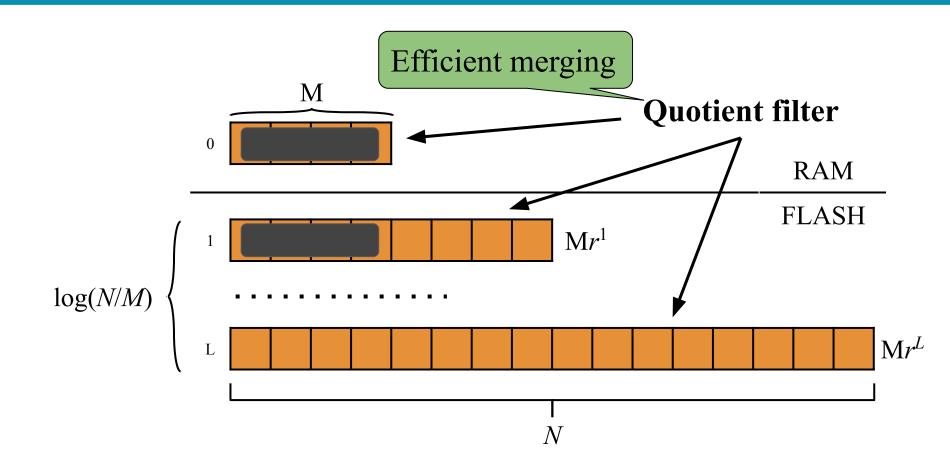


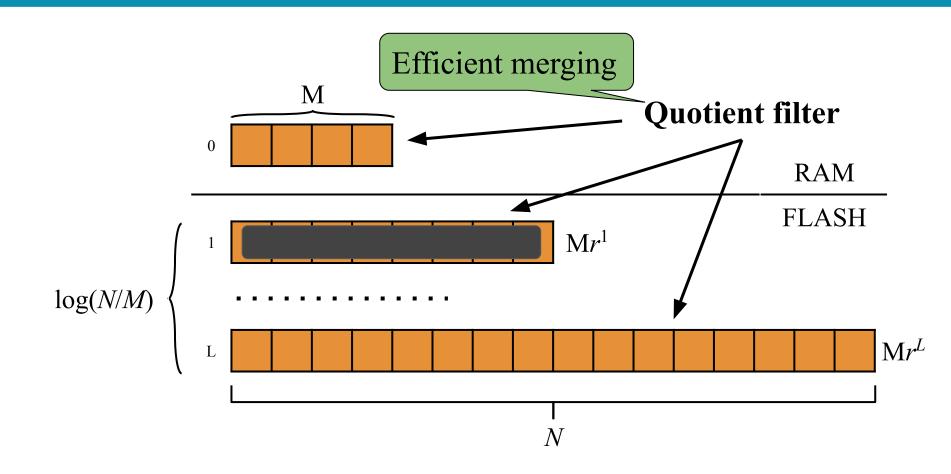
- The Cascade filter efficiently scales out-of-RAM
- It accelerates insertions at some cost to queries

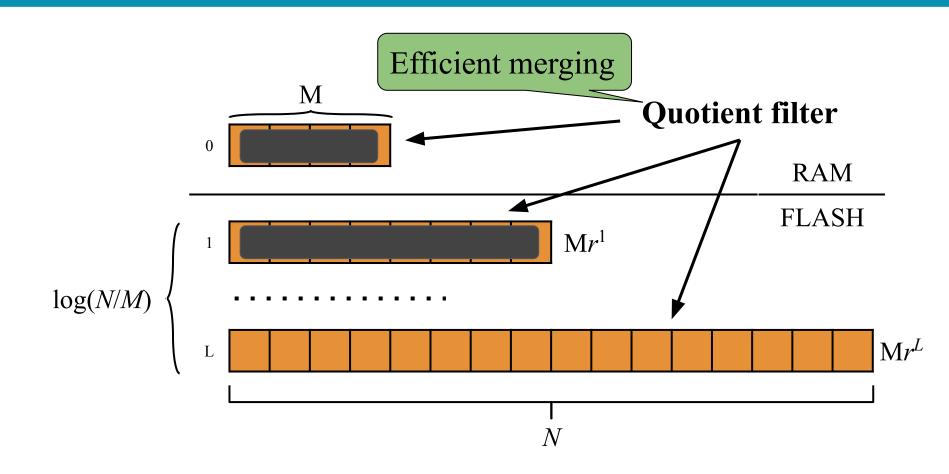


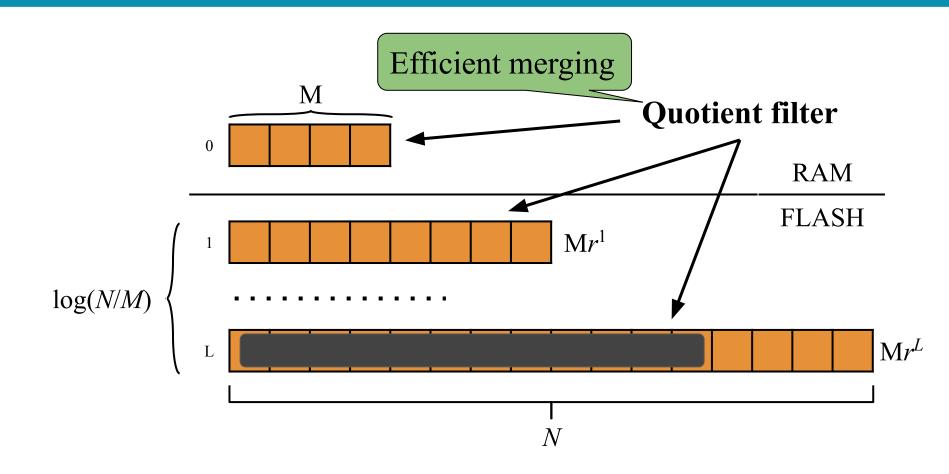
Items are initially inserted in the RAM level

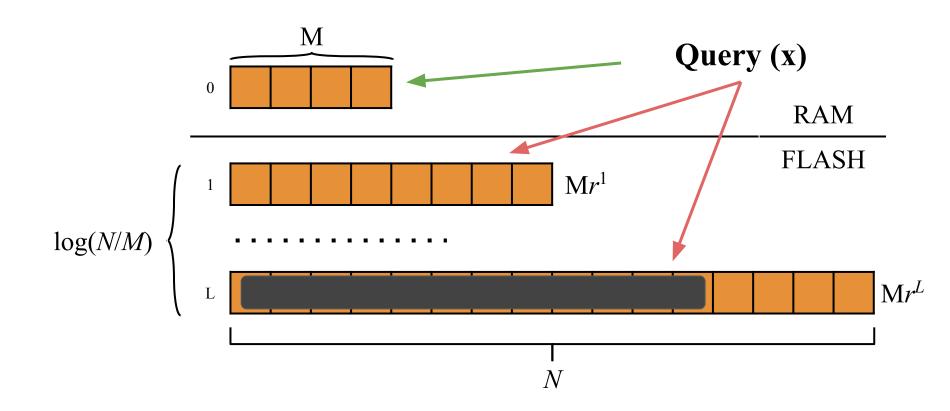




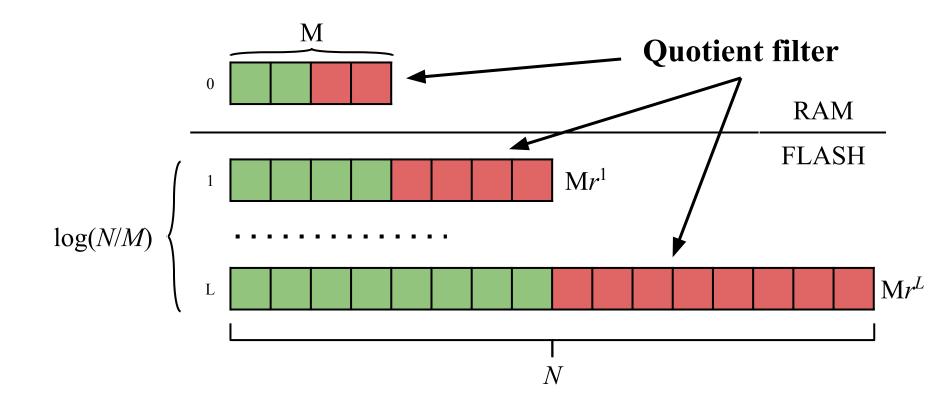




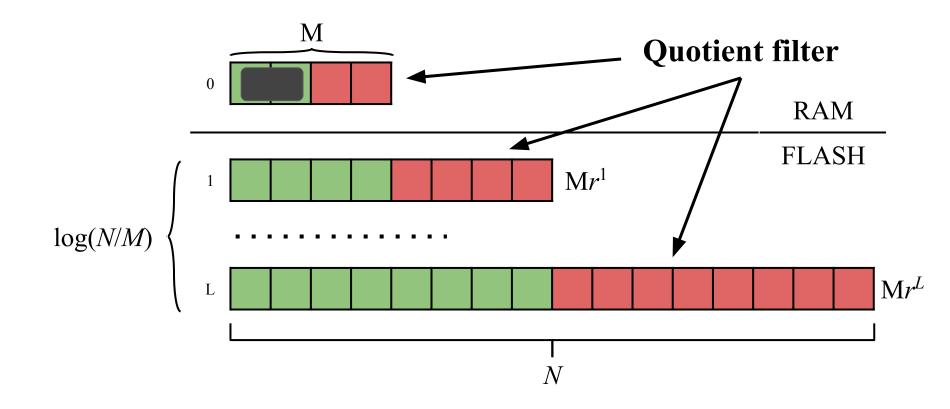




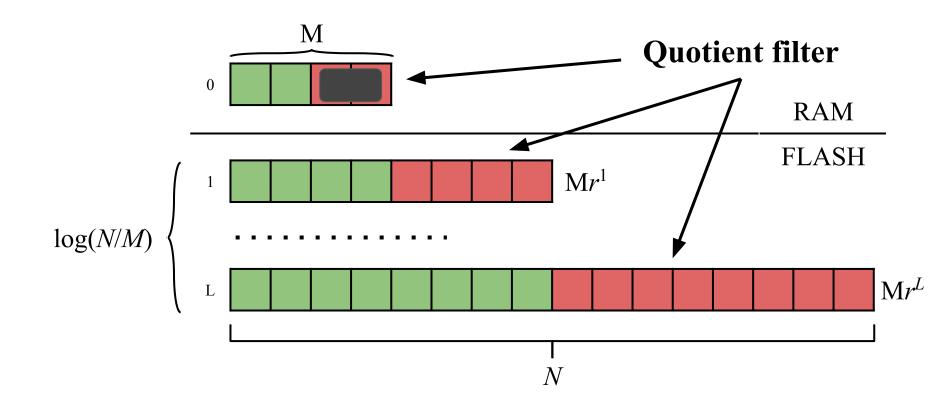
A query operation requires a lookup in each non-empty level



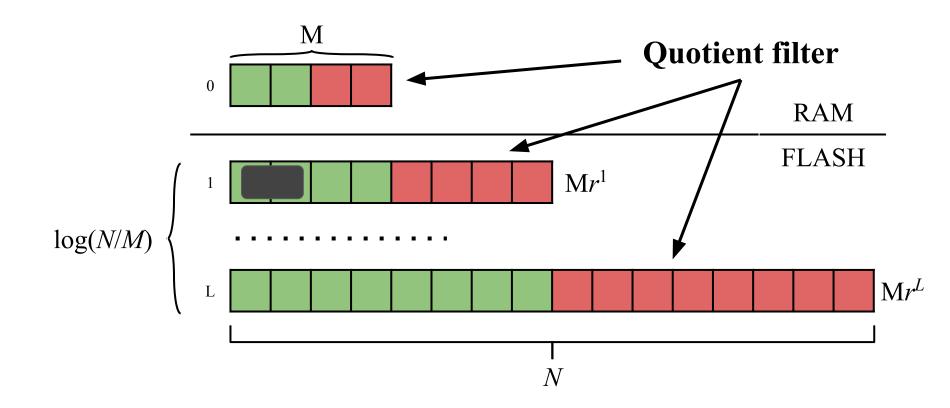
Divide each level into $1+1/\alpha$, equal-sized bins.



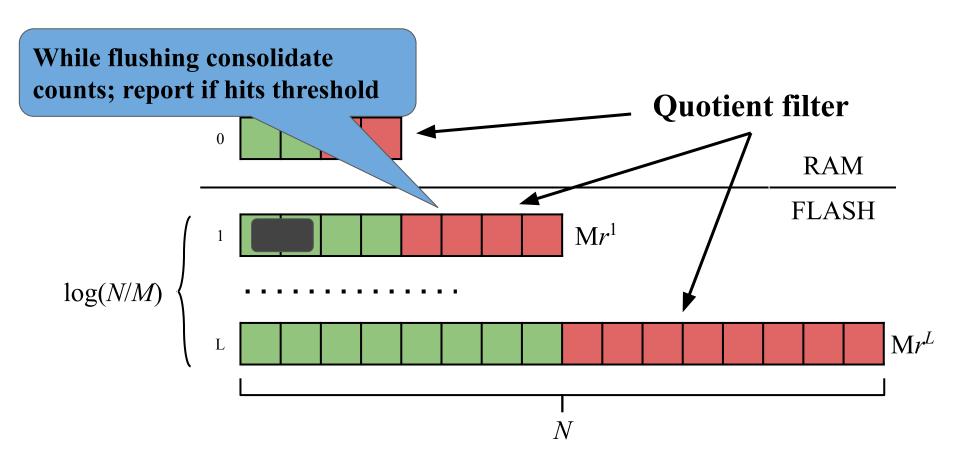
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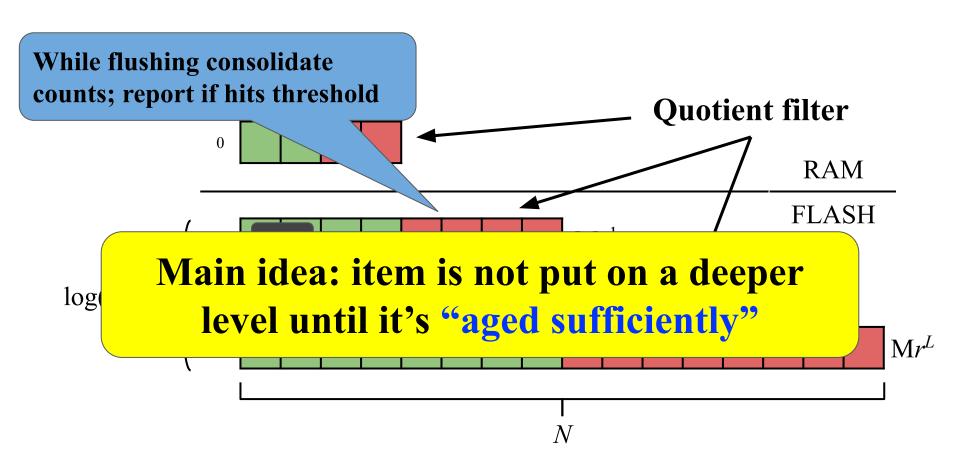
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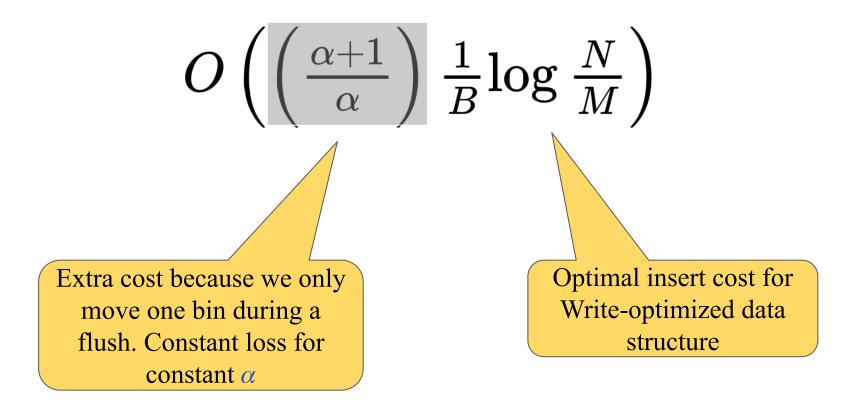


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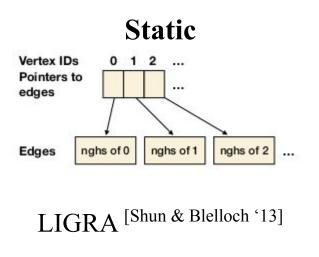
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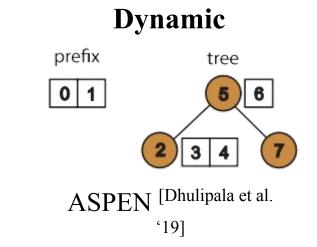
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Optimal insert cost for Write-optimized data structure

Time-stretch LERT I/O complexity



Trade-off 2: "One-size-fits-all" approach leaves performance on table

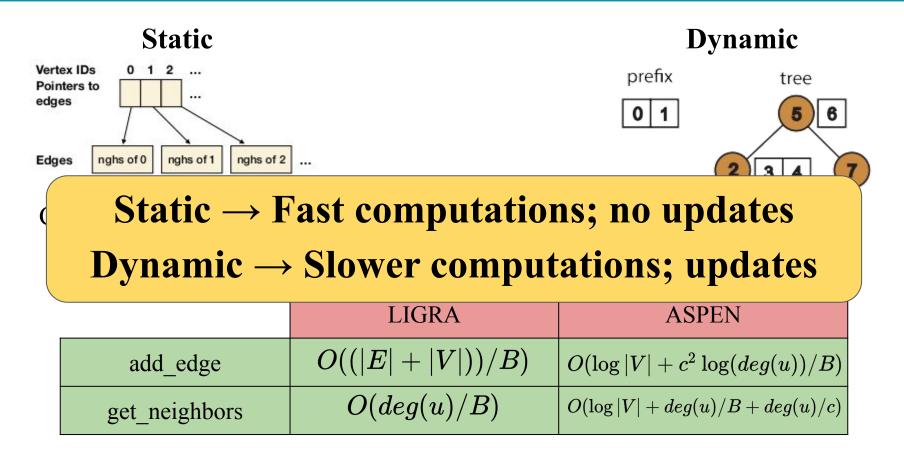




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add_edge	O((E + V))/B)	$O(\log V + c^2 \log(deg(u))/B)$
get_neighbors	O(deg(u)/B)	$O(\log V + deg(u)/B + deg(u)/c)$

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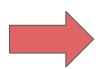
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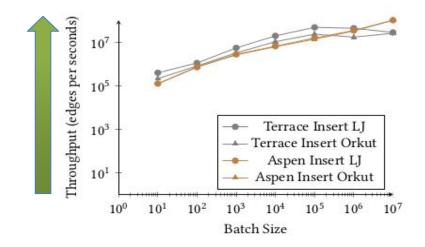
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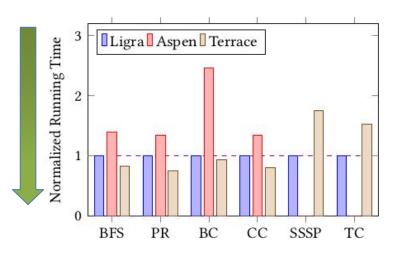
Dynamic partitioning + hierarchical structure

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Terrace:
Fast updates

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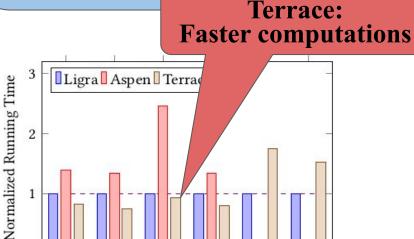
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Batch Size

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Scalable data systems → Scalable data science

Massive data

Data systems

Data Science

Biology
AstroPhysics
Chemistry
Cyber monitoring
Internet of Things
Environmental science

Machine Learning
Raw sequence search
Graph analytics
Cyber monitoring
Weather predictions
Personalized medicine

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My goal as a researcher is to build *scalable data systems* to *accelerate* and *scale data science* applications

Our contribution



Combine streaming and EM algorithms to solve real-time event detection problem