

Question

Calculate the distinct elements for a given stream and hash function using **Flajolet–Martin algorithm**.

Data stream - 1,3,2,1,2,3,4,3,1,2,3,1

Hash function – $6x+1 \bmod 5$

Solution –

Number of trailing zeros -

$$h(1)=2=010=1$$

$$h(3)=4=100=2$$

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largest trailing zero i.e. 2 is 'r'.

number of distinct elements in a stream = 2^r

$$2^2 = 4.$$

