

# Advanced Algorithms

## Hashing and Sketching

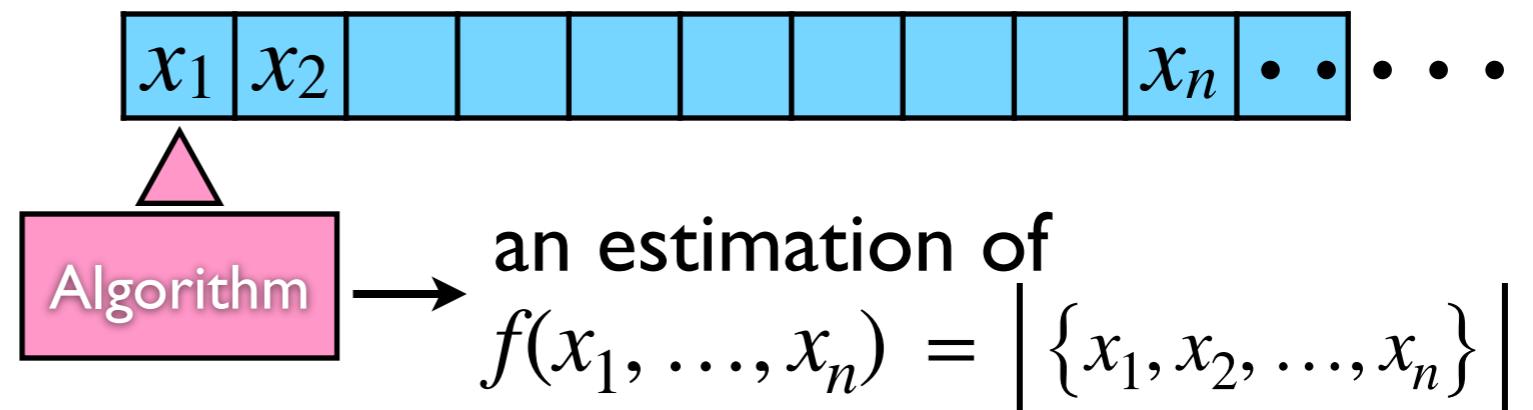
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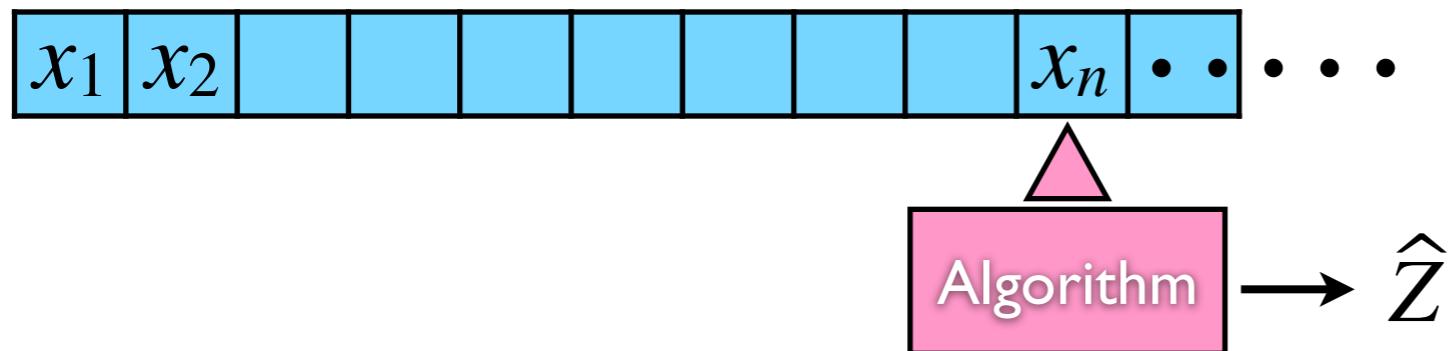
- Naïve algorithm: store all distinct data items using  $\Omega(z \log N)$  bits
- Sketch: (lossy) representation of data using space  $\ll z$
- Lower bound (Alon-Matias-Szegedy): any deterministic (exact or approx.) algorithm must use  $\Omega(N)$  bits of space in the worst case

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- **$(\epsilon, \delta)$ -estimator:** randomized variable  $\hat{Z}$

$$\Pr \left[ (1 - \epsilon)z \leq \hat{Z} \leq (1 + \epsilon)z \right] \geq 1 - \delta$$

Using only memory equivalent to 5 lines of printed text, you can estimate with a typical accuracy of 5% and in a single pass the total vocabulary of Shakespeare.

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### Simple Uniform Hash Assumption (SUHA):

A uniform function is available, whose preprocessing, representation and evaluation are considered to be easy.

- (*idealized*) uniform hash function  $h : U \rightarrow [0,1]$ 
  - $x_i = x_j \longrightarrow$  the same hash value  $h(x_i) = h(x_j) \in_r [0,1]$
  - $\{h(x_1), \dots, h(x_n)\}$ :  $\underline{z} \times$  uniform and independent values in  $[0,1]$
  - partition  $[0,1]$  into  $z + 1$  subintervals (with *identically distributed* lengths)

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} h(x_i) \right] = \Pr[\text{length of a subinterval}] = \frac{1}{z+1} \quad (\text{by symmetry})$$

- estimator:  $\hat{Z} = \frac{1}{\min_i h(x_i)} - 1$  ? Variance is too large!

# Markov's Inequality

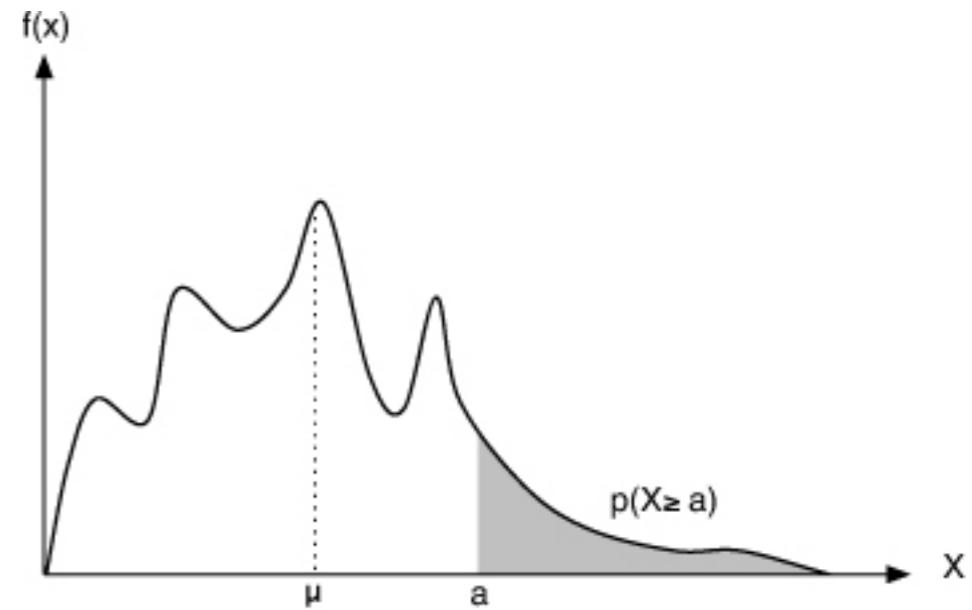
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$$\Pr[X \geq t] \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{t}$$

Let  $Y = \begin{cases} 1 & X \geq t \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases} \implies Y \leq \left\lfloor \frac{X}{t} \right\rfloor \leq \frac{X}{t}$

$$\Pr[X \geq t] = \mathbb{E}[Y] \leq \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X}{t}\right] = \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{t}$$



tight if only knowing the expectation of  $X$

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## Corollary

For random variable  $X$  and *nonnegative-valued* function  $f$ , for any  $t > 0$ ,

$$\Pr[f(X) \geq t] \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[f(X)]}{t}$$

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$$\Pr [ |X - \mathbb{E}[X]| \geq t ] \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{t^2}$$

- Variance:

$$\text{Var}[X] = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$$

Apply Markov's inequality to  $Y = (X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2$ :

$$\Pr [ |X - \mathbb{E}[X]| \geq t ] = \Pr[Y \geq t^2] \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[Y]}{t^2} \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{t^2}$$

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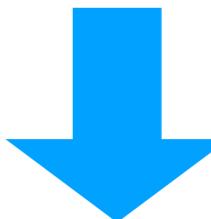
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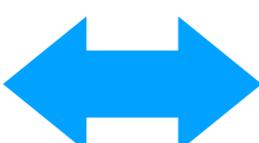
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assuming  $\epsilon \leq 1/2$



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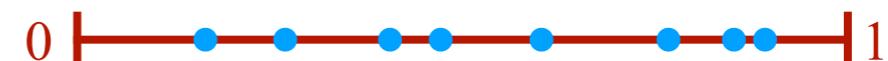
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- Uniform independent hash values:

$$H_1, \dots, H_z \in [0,1]$$



- $Y = \min_{1 \leq i \leq z} H_i$

**geometry probability:**  $\Pr[Y > y] = (1 - y)^z \rightarrow$  **pdf:**  $p(y) = z(1 - y)^{z-1}$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y^2] = \int_0^1 y^2 p(y) dy = \int_0^1 y^2 z(1 - y)^{z-1} dy = \frac{2}{(z+1)(z+2)}$$

$$\mathbf{Var}[Y] = \mathbb{E}[Y^2] - \mathbb{E}[Y]^2 = \frac{z}{(z+1)^2(z+2)} \leq \frac{1}{(z+1)^2}$$

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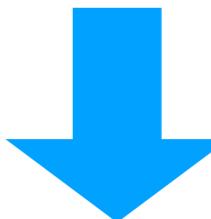
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$$\text{Var}[Y] \leq \frac{1}{(z+1)^2} \quad (\text{Chebyshev}) \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \Pr \left[ \left| Y - \mathbb{E}[Y] \right| > \frac{\epsilon/2}{z+1} \right] \leq \frac{4}{\epsilon^2}$$

# The Mean Trick (for Variance Reduction)

- Variance and covariance:

$$\text{Var}[X] = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])]$$

- Useful properties:

$$\text{Var}[X + a] = \text{Var}[X]$$

$$\text{Var}[aX] = a^2\text{Var}[X]$$

$$\text{Var}\left[\sum_i X_i\right] = \sum_i \text{Var}[X_i] + \sum_{i \neq j} \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

- For **pairwise independent identically distributed  $X_i$ 's**:

$$\text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i\right] = \frac{1}{k^2} \sum_{i=1}^k \text{Var}[X_i] = \frac{1}{k} \text{Var}[X_1]$$

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- For every  $1 \leq j \leq k$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_j] = \frac{1}{z+1}$$

linearity of  
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independence

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(Chebyshev)

$$\mathbb{E} [\bar{Y}] = \frac{1}{z+1}$$

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- Space cost:  $k = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2\delta}\right)$  **real numbers** in  $[0,1]$
- Storing  $k$  **idealized** hash functions.

# Universal Hashing

**Universal Hash Family (Carter and Wegman 1979):**

A family  $\mathcal{H}$  of hash functions in  $U \rightarrow [m]$  is  **$k$ -universal** if for any distinct  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in U$ ,

$$\Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} [ h(x_1) = \dots = h(x_k) ] \leq \frac{1}{m^{k-1}}.$$

Moreover,  $\mathcal{H}$  is **strongly  $k$ -universal ( $k$ -wise independent)** if for any distinct  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in U$  and any  $y_1, \dots, y_k \in [m]$ ,

$$\Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \left[ \bigwedge_{i=1}^k h(x_i) = y_i \right] = \frac{1}{m^k}.$$

# $k$ -Universal Hash Family

hash functions  $h : U \rightarrow [m]$

- **Linear congruential hashing:**

- Represent  $U \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p$  for sufficiently large prime  $p$
- $h_{a,b}(x) = ((ax + b) \bmod p) \bmod m$
- $\mathcal{H} = \left\{ h_{a,b} \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}_p \setminus \{0\}, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p \right\}$

**Theorem:**

The linear congruential family  $\mathcal{H}$  is 2-wise independent.

- **Degree- $k$  polynomial in finite field with random coefficients**
- Hashing between binary fields:  $GF(2^w) \rightarrow GF(2^l)$

$$h_{a,b}(x) = (a * x + b) \gg (w-1)$$

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(pairwise independence)

$$\mathbf{Var}[Y_r] = \sum_{x \in \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}} \mathbf{Var}[I[\text{zeros}(h(x)) \geq r]] = z2^{-r}(1 - 2^{-r}) \leq z2^{-r}$$

# Pairwise Independent Trials

## Proposition:

If  $X$  is a sum of pairwise independent random variables taking values in  $\{0,1\}$ , then  $\text{Var}[X] \leq \mathbb{E}[X]$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[X] &= \sum_i \text{Var}[X_i] = \sum_i (\mathbb{E}[X_i^2] - \mathbb{E}[X_i]^2) = \sum_i (\mathbb{E}[X_i] - \mathbb{E}[X_i]^2) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X] - \sum_i \mathbb{E}[X_i]^2 \leq \mathbb{E}[X]\end{aligned}$$

## Corollary (Chebyshev's Inequality):

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$$(\text{denote } r^* = \lceil \log_2 Cz \rceil) \quad \Pr[\hat{Z} > Cz] \leq \Pr[R \geq r^*]$$

$$(\text{observe } R = \max\{r : Y_r > 0\}) \quad \leq \Pr[Y_{r^*} > 0] = \Pr[Y_{r^*} \geq 1]$$

$$(\text{Markov's inequality}) \quad \leq \mathbb{E}[Y_{r^*}] = z/2^{r^*} \leq 1/C$$

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(denote  $r^{**} = \lceil \log_2(z/C) \rceil$ )

$$\Pr[\hat{Z} < z/C] \leq \Pr[R < r^{**}]$$

(observe  $R = \max\{r : Y_r > 0\}$ )  $\leq \Pr[Y_{r^{**}} = 0]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(Chebyshev's inequality)} &\leq \text{Var}[Y_{r^{**}}]/\mathbb{E}[Y_{r^{**}}]^2 \leq 2^{r^{**}}/z \\ &\leq 2/C \end{aligned}$$

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- **Space cost:**  $O(\log \log N)$  bits for maintaining  $R$
- $O(\log N)$  bits for storing 2-wise independent hash function

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let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_k$  be the  $k$  smallest hash values among

$$\{ h(x_1), h(x_2), \dots, h(x_n) \};$$

return  $\hat{Z} = \frac{kM}{Y_k};$

(Bar-Yossef, Jayram, Kumar, Sivakumar and Trevisan, 2002)

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assuming  $\epsilon \leq 1$



$$\left| Y_k - \frac{kM}{z} \right| > \frac{\epsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{kM}{z}$$

- uniform and **2-wise independent**  $X_1, \dots, X_n \in [N^3]$
- let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_z$  be these elements in non-decreasing order

$$\text{Let } V = \sum_{i=1}^z I\left[X_i \leq \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) \frac{kM}{z}\right] \quad W = \sum_{i=1}^z I\left[X_i \leq \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) \frac{kM}{z}\right]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[V] = \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \pm o(1)\right) k \quad \mathbb{E}[W] = \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \pm o(1)\right) k$$

$$Y_k < \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) \frac{k(M+1)}{z} \implies V \geq k \quad Y_k > \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) \frac{k(M+1)}{z} \implies W \leq k$$

**(Chebyshev's inequality for sum of pairwise independent trials)**

$$\Pr[V \geq k] \leq \frac{8}{k\epsilon^2}$$

$$\Pr[W \leq k] \leq \frac{8}{k\epsilon^2}$$

- **Goal:**  $\Pr\left[\left|Y_k - \frac{kM}{z}\right| > \frac{\epsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{kM}{z}\right] \leq \delta$       Set  $k = \left\lceil \frac{16}{\epsilon^2 \delta} \right\rceil$

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 $\{ h(x_1), h(x_2), \dots, h(x_n) \};$

return  $\hat{Z} = \frac{kM}{Y_k};$

$$\Pr \left[ (1 - \epsilon)z \leq \hat{Z} \leq (1 + \epsilon)z \right] \geq 1 - \delta$$

- Space cost:  $O(k \log N) = O(\epsilon^{-2} \log N)$  bits when  $\delta = \Omega(1)$

# Frequency Moments

- **Data stream:**  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in U$
- for each  $x \in U$ , define **frequency** of  $x$  as  $f_x = |\{i : x_i = x\}|$   
 $k$ -th **frequency moments**:  $F_k = \sum_{x \in U} f_x^k$
- **Space complexity** for  $(\epsilon, \delta)$ -estimation: constant  $\epsilon, \delta$ 
  - for  $k \leq 2$ :  $\text{polylog}(N)$  [Alon-Matias-Szegedy '96]
  - for  $k > 2$ :  $\tilde{\Theta}(N^{1-2/k})$  [Indyk-Woodruff '05]
- **Count distinct elements:**  $F_0$ 
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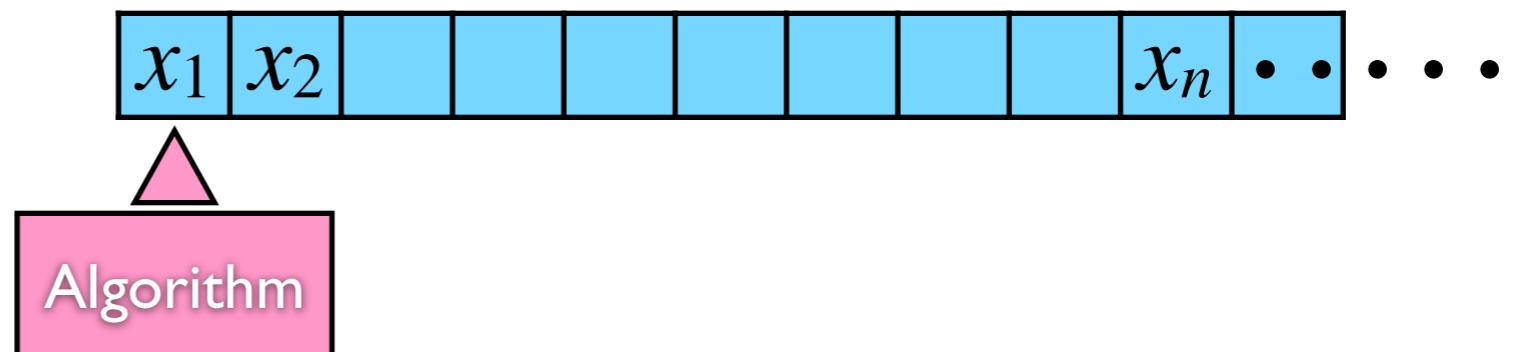
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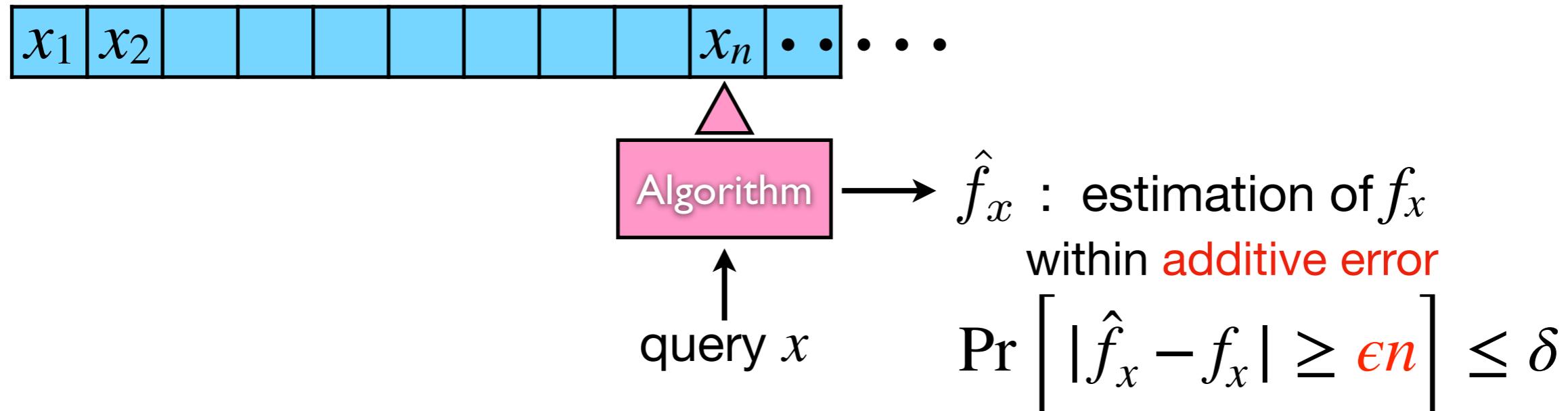
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- **Time cost:** time to answer a query (in memory accesses)
- **Balanced tree:**  $O(n \log N)$  space,  $O(\log n)$  time
- **Perfect hashing:**  $O(n \log N)$  space,  $O(1)$  time
- **Sketch:** lossy representation of  $S$  using < entropy space

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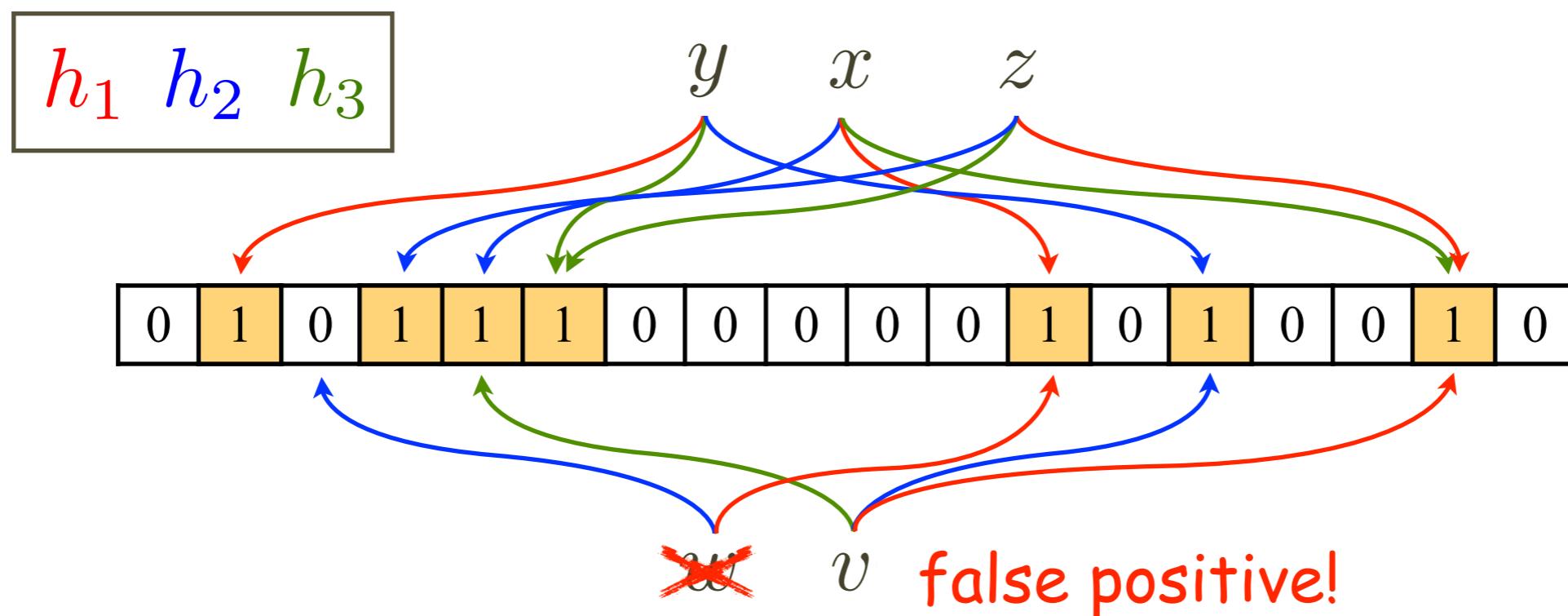
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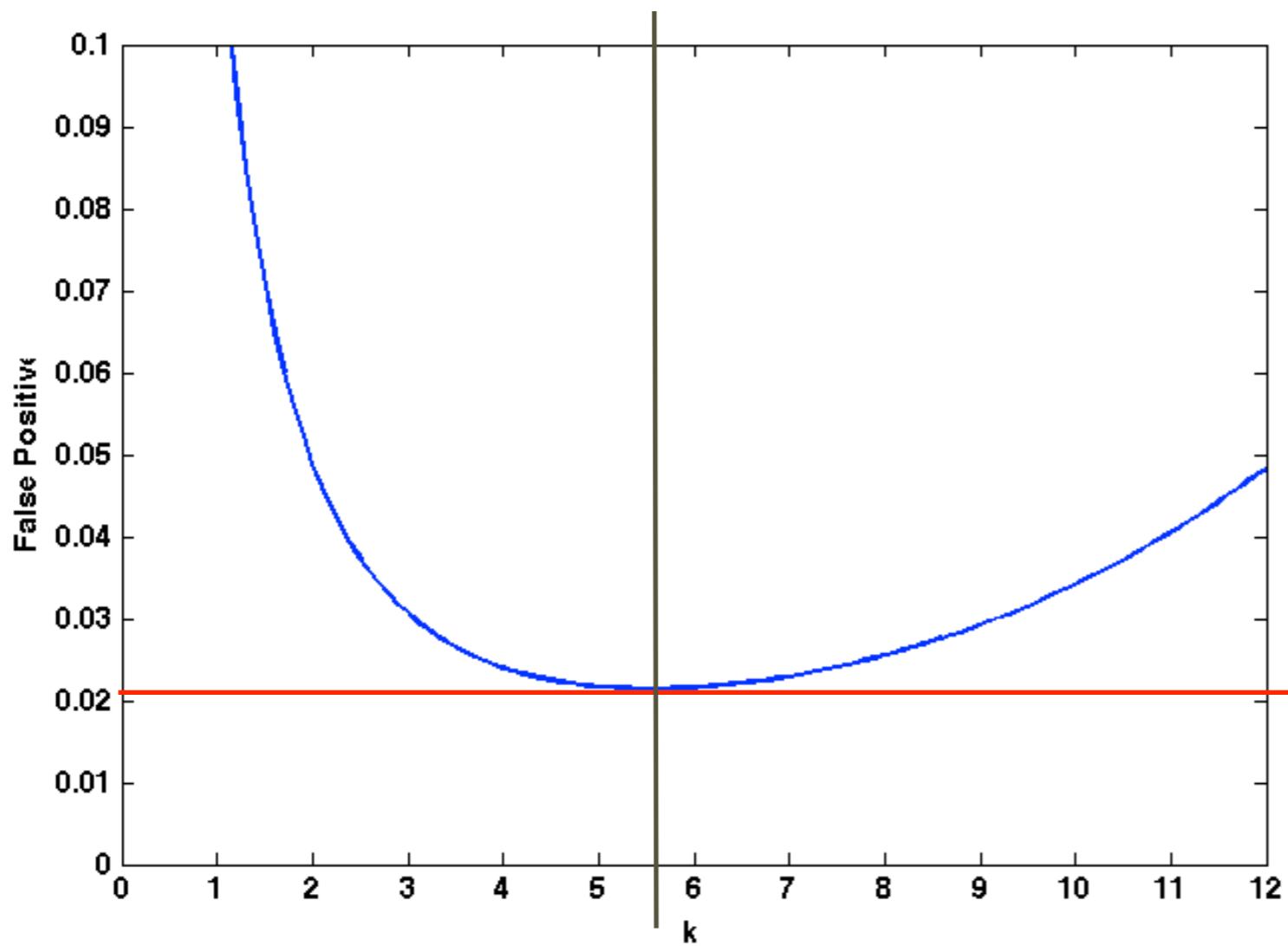
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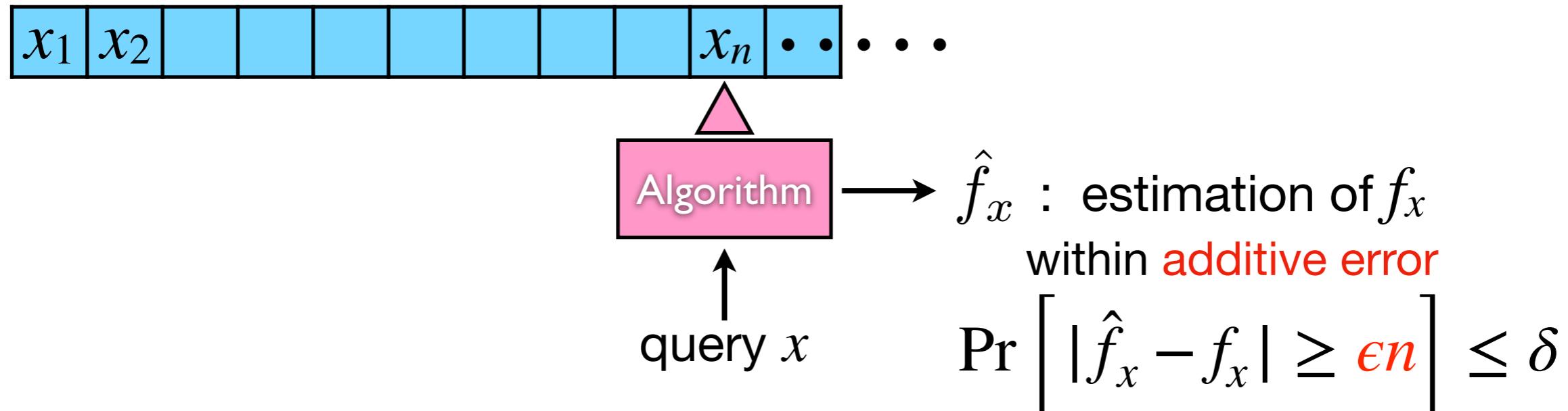
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**Observation:** CMS[j][ $h_j(x)$ ]  $\geq f_x$  for all  $1 \leq j \leq k$

$$f_x \leq \hat{f}_x \leq ?$$

# Universal Hashing

**Universal Hash Family (Carter and Wegman 1979):**

A family  $\mathcal{H}$  of hash functions in  $U \rightarrow [m]$  is  **$k$ -universal** if for any distinct  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in U$ ,

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Moreover,  $\mathcal{H}$  is **strongly  $k$ -universal ( $k$ -wise independent)** if for any distinct  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in U$  and any  $y_1, \dots, y_k \in [m]$ ,

$$\Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \left[ \bigwedge_{i=1}^k h(x_i) = y_i \right] = \frac{1}{m^k}.$$

# $k$ -Universal Hash Family

hash functions  $h : U \rightarrow [m]$

- **Linear congruential hashing:**

- Represent  $U \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p$  for sufficiently large prime  $p$
- $h_{a,b}(x) = ((ax + b) \bmod p) \bmod m$
- $\mathcal{H} = \left\{ h_{a,b} \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}_p \setminus \{0\}, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p \right\}$

**Theorem:**

The linear congruential family  $\mathcal{H}$  is 2-wise independent.

- **Degree- $k$  polynomial in finite field with random coefficients**
- Hashing between binary fields:  $GF(2^w) \rightarrow GF(2^l)$

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(Markov's inequality)     $\Pr \left[ \text{CMS}[j][h_j(x)] - f_x \geq \epsilon n \right] \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon m}$

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- choose  $m = \lceil \epsilon/\epsilon \rceil$  and  $k = \lceil \ln(1/\delta) \rceil$ 
  - **space cost:**  $O \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} \log(1/\delta) \log n \right)$  bits
  - $O(\log(1/\delta) \log N)$  bits for hash functions
  - **time cost for query:**  $O(\log(1/\delta))$