

# Data Structures and Algorithms

## Bloom and Counting Sketches

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# Reminder: Important Final Project Deadline!

Last day to have a mid-project checkin

Last day to (as a team) drop the project in favor of the final

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# Learning Objectives

Review the math behind the bloom filter

Identify the optimal parameters for a bloom filter

Introduce extensions to the bloom filter

Discuss counting alternatives to bloom filters

# Memory-Constrained Data Structures

What method would you use to build a search index on a collection of objects *in a memory-constrained environment*?

## Constrained by Big Data (Large $N$ )

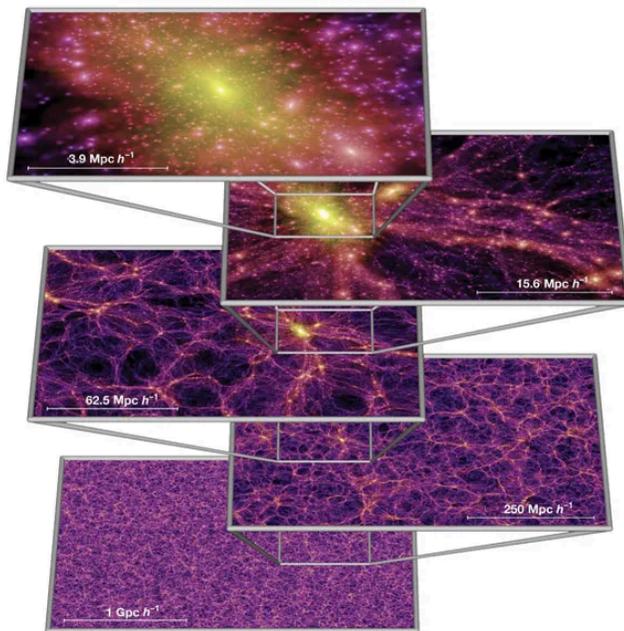


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Sky Survey Projects	Data Volume
DPOSS (The Palomar Digital Sky Survey)	3 TB
2MASS (The Two Micron All-Sky Survey)	10 TB
GBT (Green Bank Telescope)	20 PB
GALEX (The Galaxy Evolution Explorer)	30 TB
SDSS (The Sloan Digital Sky Survey)	40 TB
SkyMapper Southern Sky Survey	500 TB
PanSTARRS (The Panoramic Survey Telescope and Rapid Response System)	~ 40 PB expected
LSST (The Large Synoptic Survey Telescope)	~ 200 PB expected
SKA (The Square Kilometer Array)	~ 4.6 EB expected

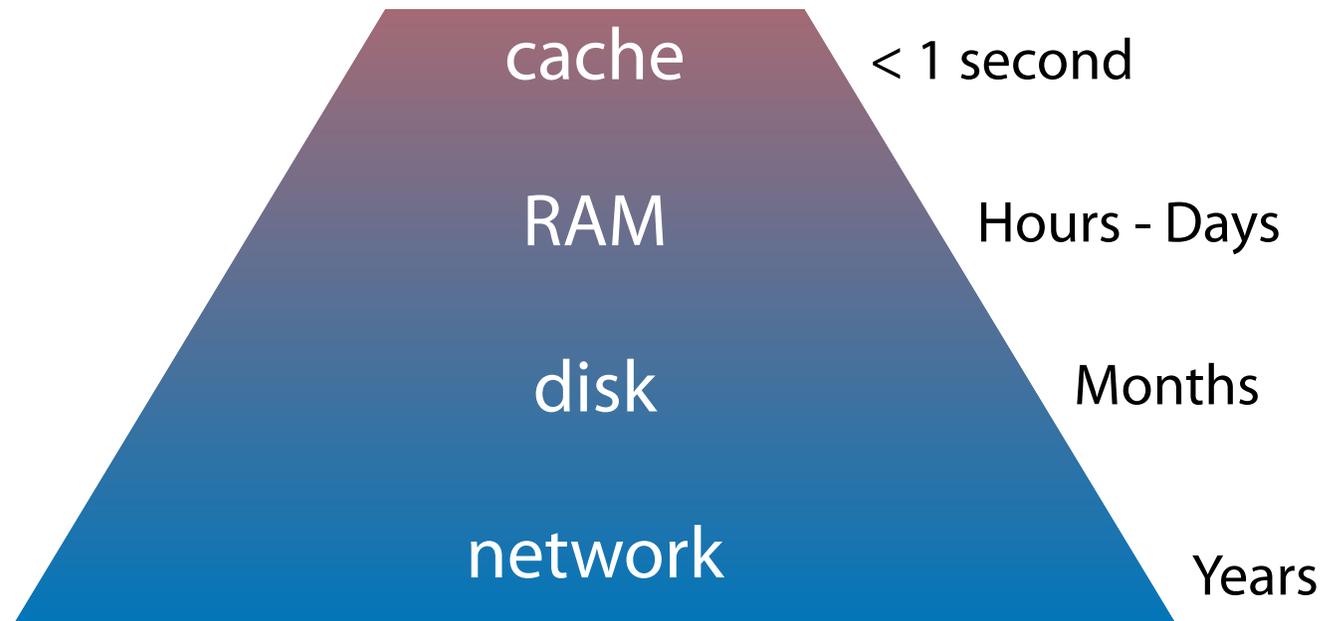
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Estimated total volume of one array: 4.6 EB

# Memory-Constrained Data Structures

What method would you use to build a search index on a collection of objects *in a memory-constrained environment*?

## Constrained by resource limitations



(Estimates are Time x 1 billion courtesy of <https://gist.github.com/hellerbarde/2843375>)

# Bloom Filters

A probabilistic data structure storing a set of values

$h_{\{1,2,3,\dots,k\}}$

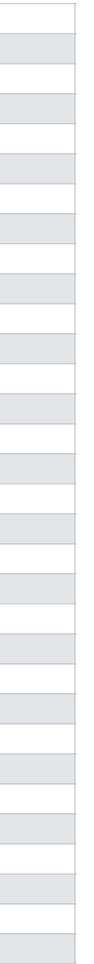
Has three key properties:

$k$ , number of hash functions

$n$ , expected number of insertions

$m$ , filter size in bits

Expected false positive rate:  $\left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{nk}\right)^k$



# Bloom Filter: Error Rate

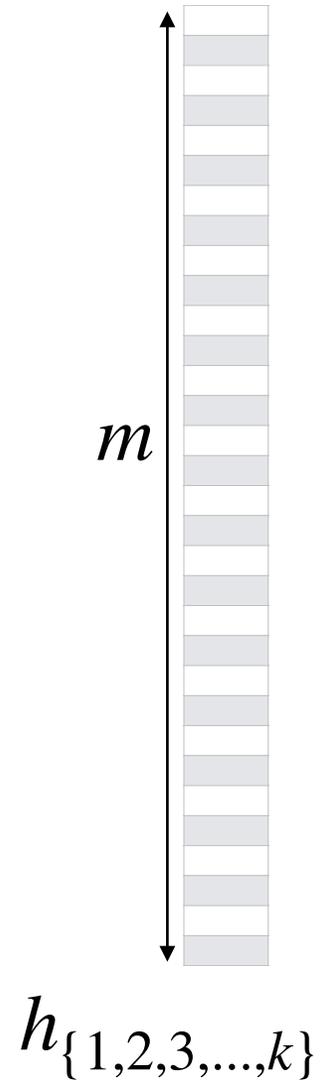
Given bit vector of size  $m$  and  $k$  SUHA hash function

**What is our expected FPR after  $n$  objects are inserted?**

The probability my bit is 1 after  $n$  objects inserted

$$\left( 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{1}{m} \right)^{nk} \right)^k$$

The number of [assumed independent] trials



# Bloom Filter: Error Rate

Vector of size  $m$ ,  $k$  SUHA hash function, and  $n$  objects

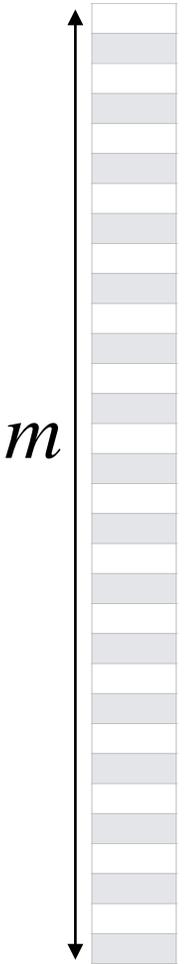
**To minimize the FPR, do we prefer...**

**(A) large  $k$**

**(B) small  $k$**

$$\left( 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{1}{m} \right)^{nk} \right)^k$$

$h_{\{1,2,3,\dots,k\}}$



# Bloom Filter: Optimal Error Rate

So how can we find the minimum error rate?

# Bloom Filter: Optimal Error Rate

$$\left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{nk}\right)^k \approx \left(1 - e^{\frac{-nk}{m}}\right)^k$$

# Bloom Filter: Optimal Error Rate

**Claim:** The optimal hash function is when  $k^* = \ln 2 \cdot \frac{m}{n}$



# Bloom Filter: Optimal Error Rate

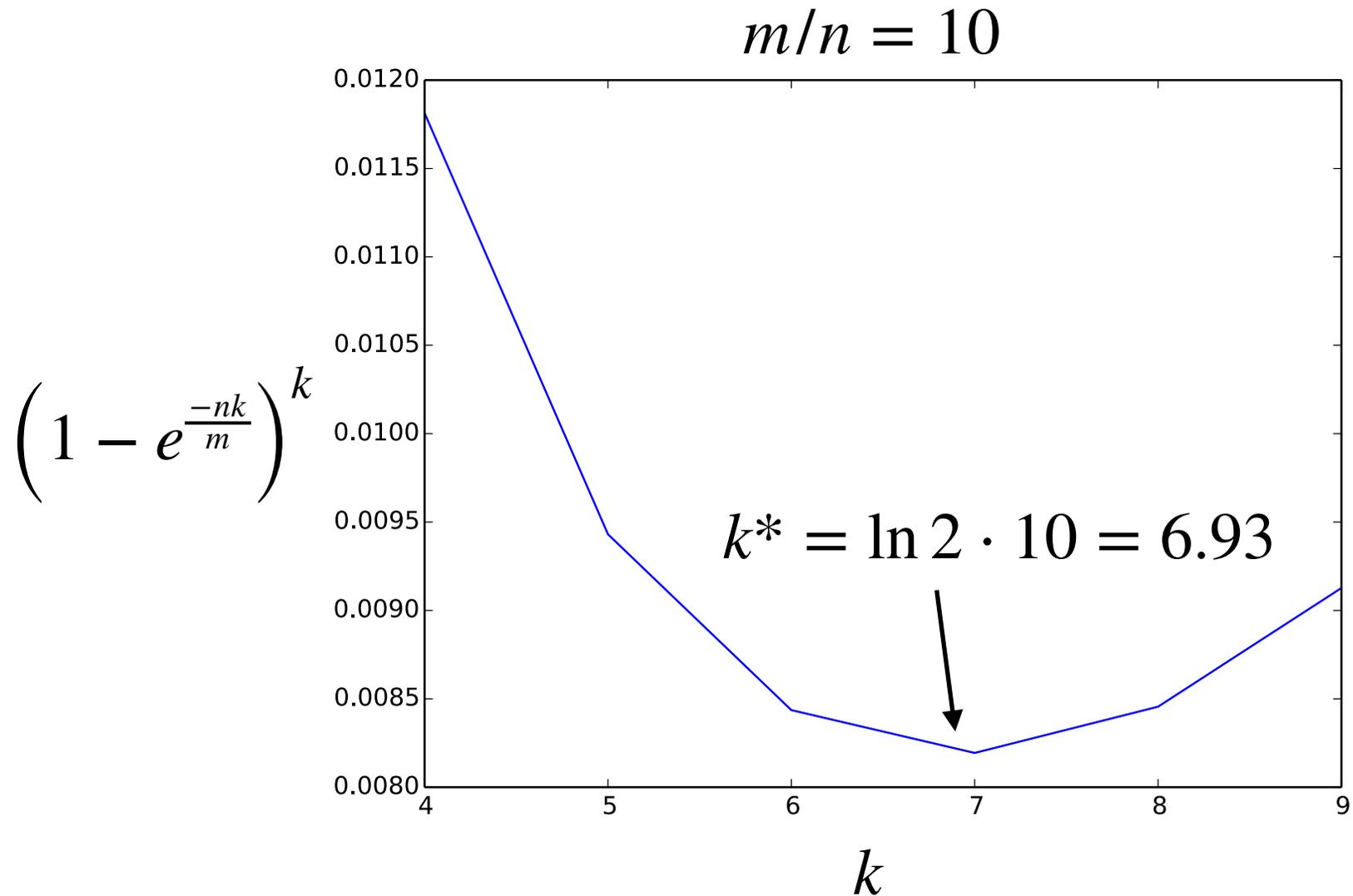
**Claim:** The optimal hash function is when  $k^* = \ln 2 \cdot \frac{m}{n}$

$$\left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{nk}\right)^k \approx \left(1 - e^{-\frac{nk}{m}}\right)^k$$

$$\frac{d}{dk} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{nk}{m}}\right)^k \approx \frac{d}{dk} \left(k \ln\left(1 - e^{-\frac{nk}{m}}\right)\right)$$

Derivative is zero when  $k^* = \ln 2 \cdot \frac{m}{n}$

# Bloom Filter: Error Rate



# Bloom Filter: Optimal Parameters

$$k^* = \ln 2 \cdot \frac{m}{n}$$

**Given any two values, we can optimize the third**

$$n = 100 \text{ items}$$

$$k = 3 \text{ hashes}$$

$$m =$$

$$m = 100 \text{ bits}$$

$$n = 20 \text{ items}$$

$$k =$$

$$m = 100 \text{ bits}$$

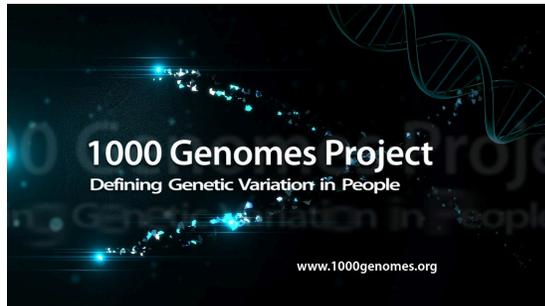
$$k = 2 \text{ items}$$

$$n =$$

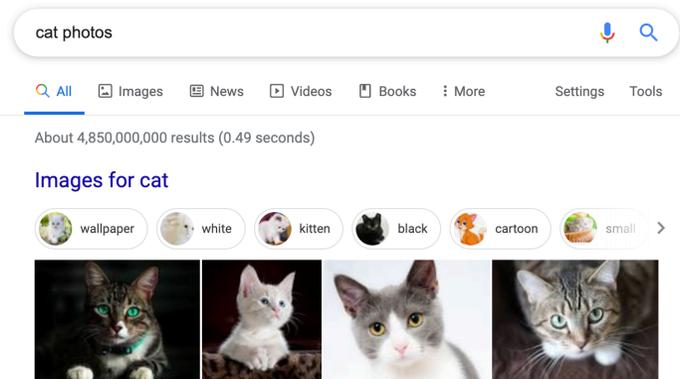
# Bloom Filter: Optimal Parameters

$$m = \frac{nk}{\ln 2} \approx 1.44 \cdot nk$$

**Optimal hash function is still  $O(m)$ !**

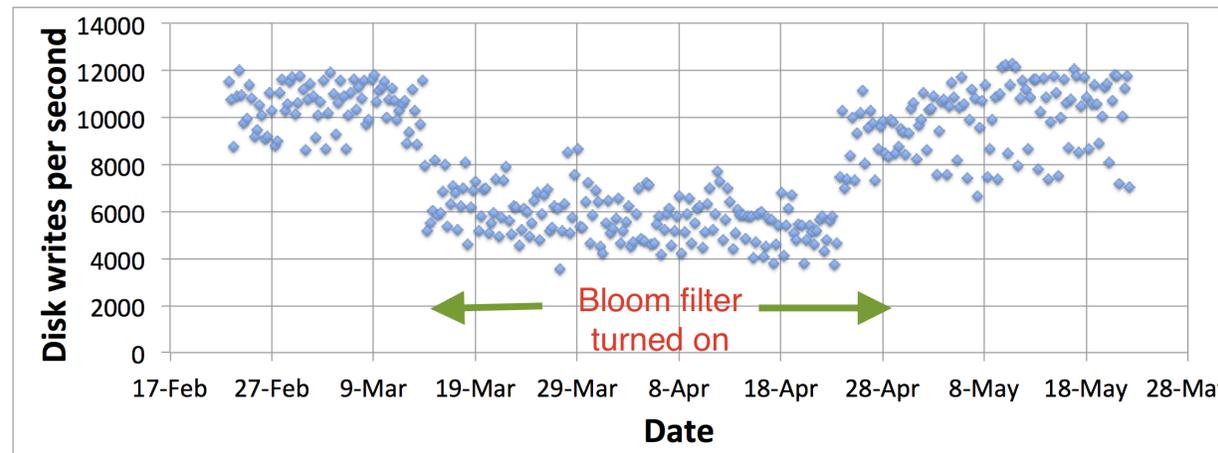
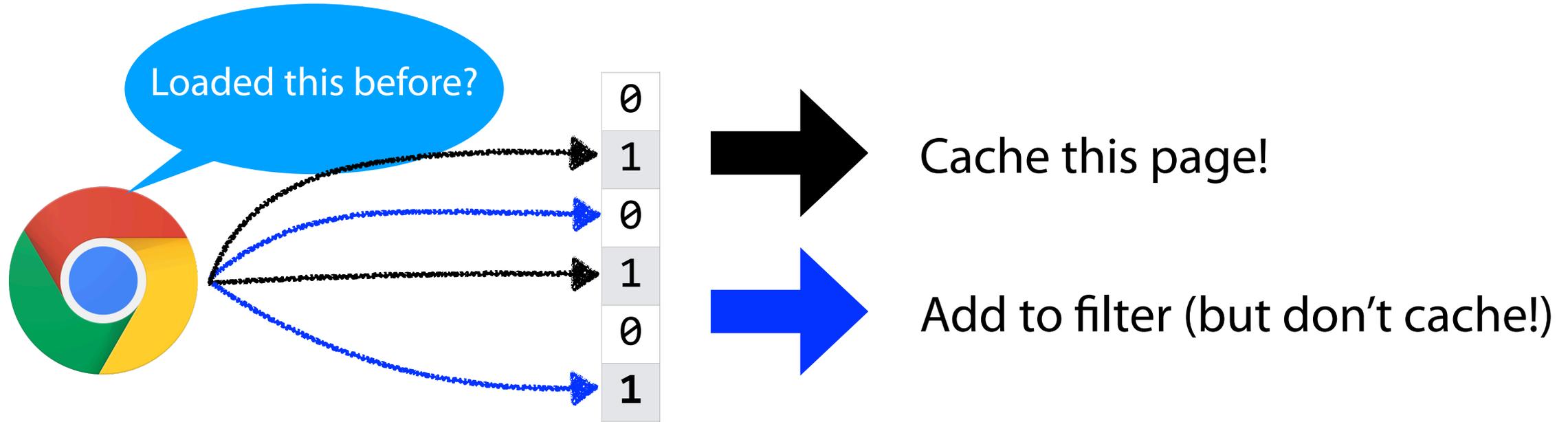


**$n = 250,000$  files vs  $\sim 10^{15}$  nucleotides vs 260 TB**



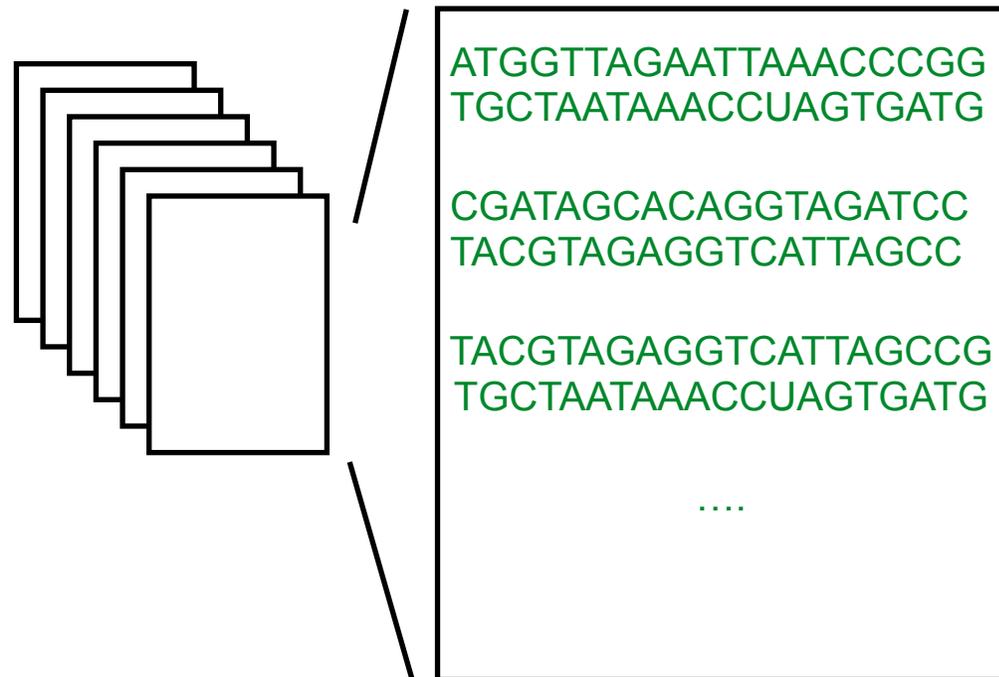
**$n = 60$  billion — 130 trillion**

# Bloom Filter: Website Caching

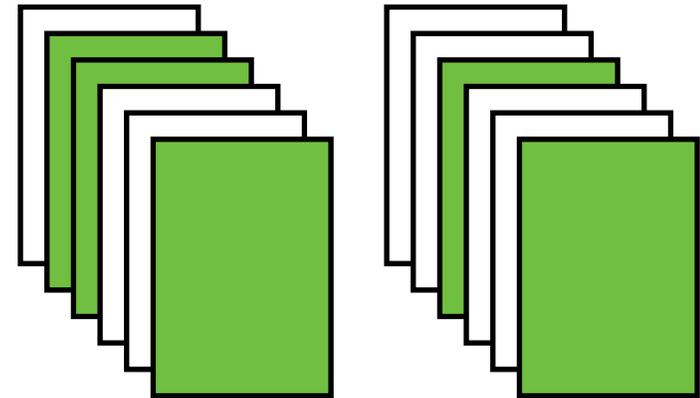


# Sequence Bloom Trees

Imagine we have a large collection of text...

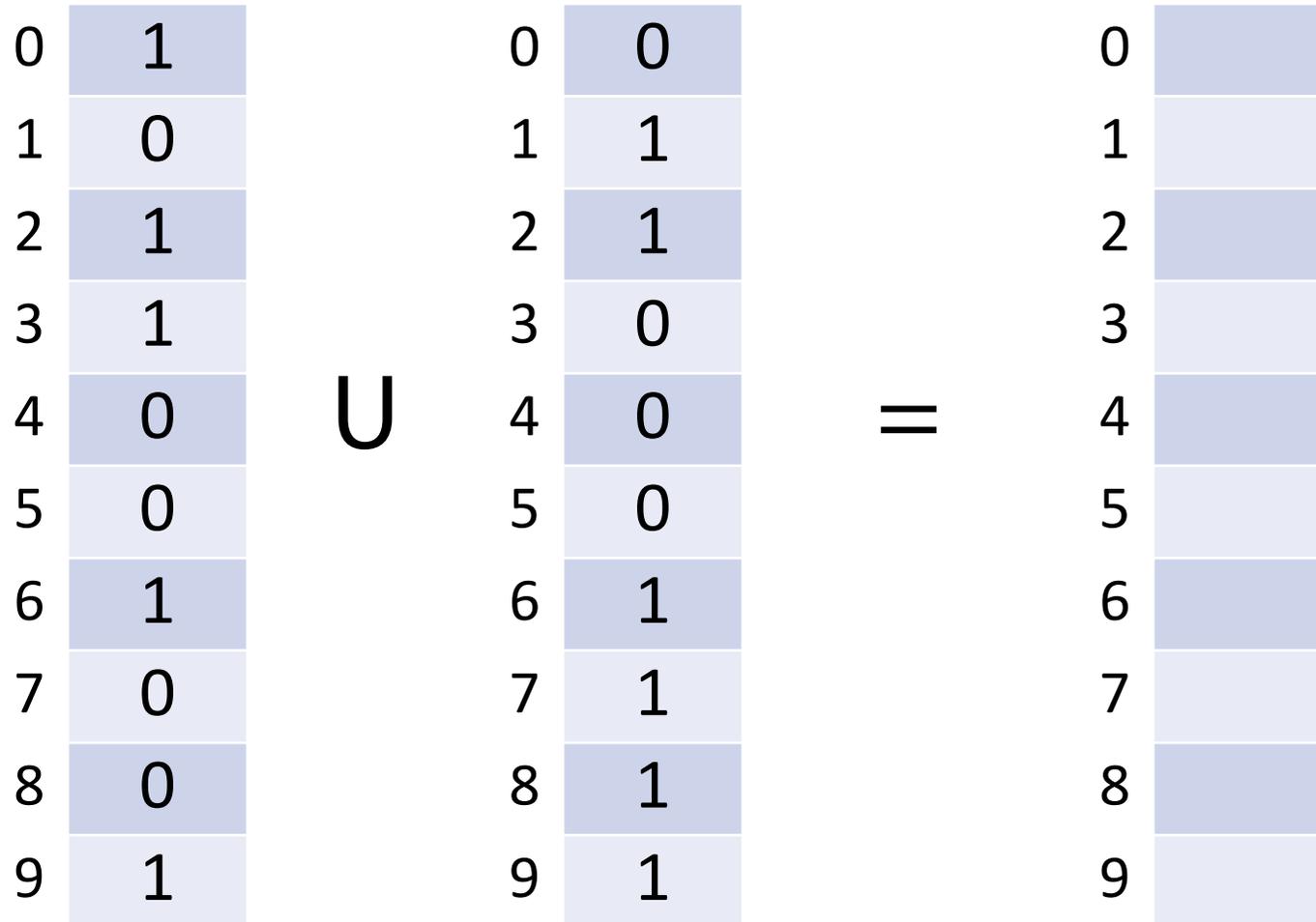


And our goal is to search these files for a query of interest...



# Bloom Filters: Unioning

Bloom filters can be trivially merged using bit-wise union.



# Sequence Bloom Trees



SRA 00001



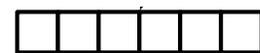
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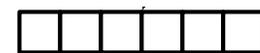
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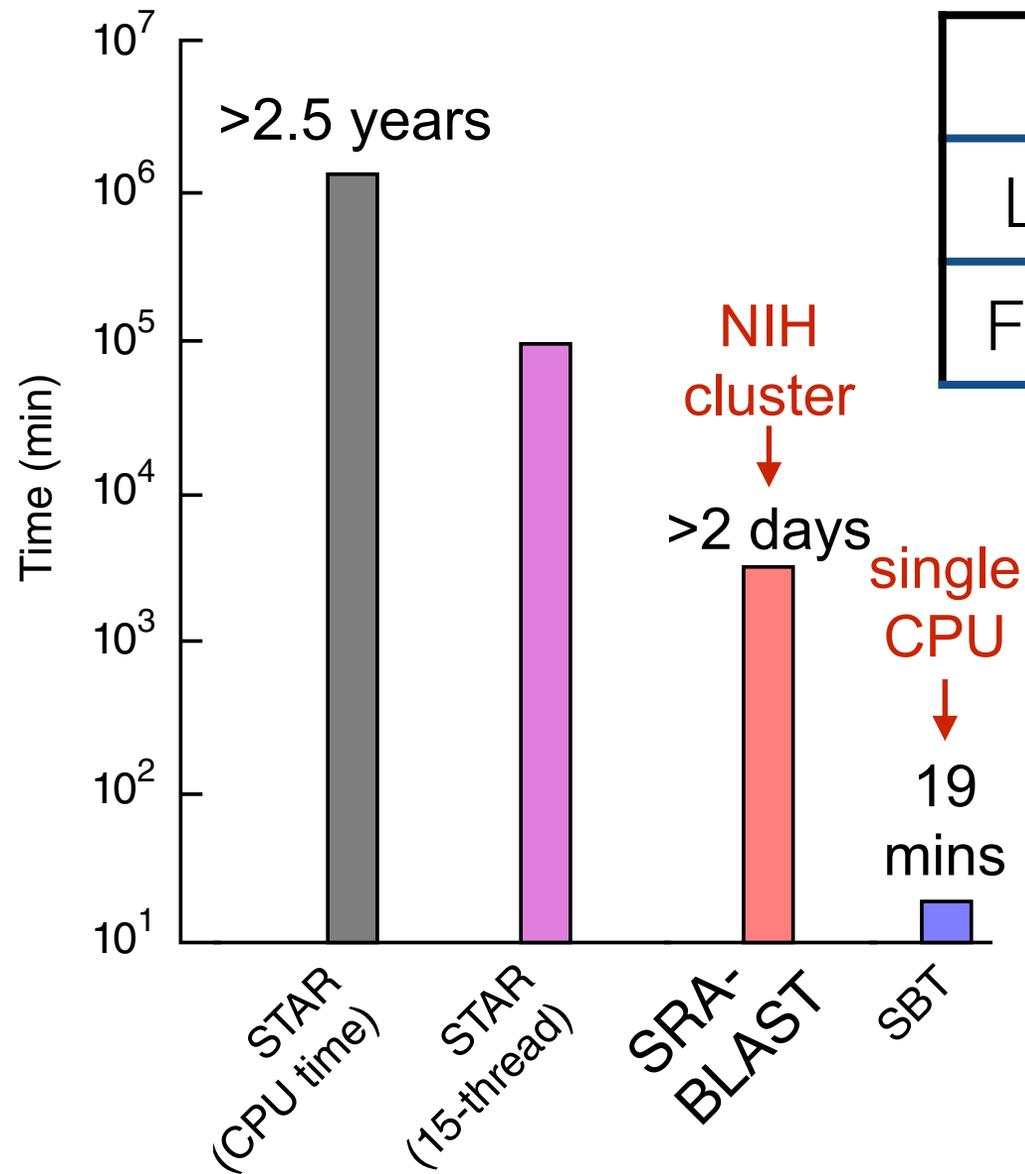
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SRA 00008



# Sequence Bloom Trees



	SRA	FASTA.gz	SBT
Leaves	4966 GB	2692 GB	63 GB
Full Tree	-	-	200 GB

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# Bloom Filters: Tip of the Iceberg



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There are many more than shown here...

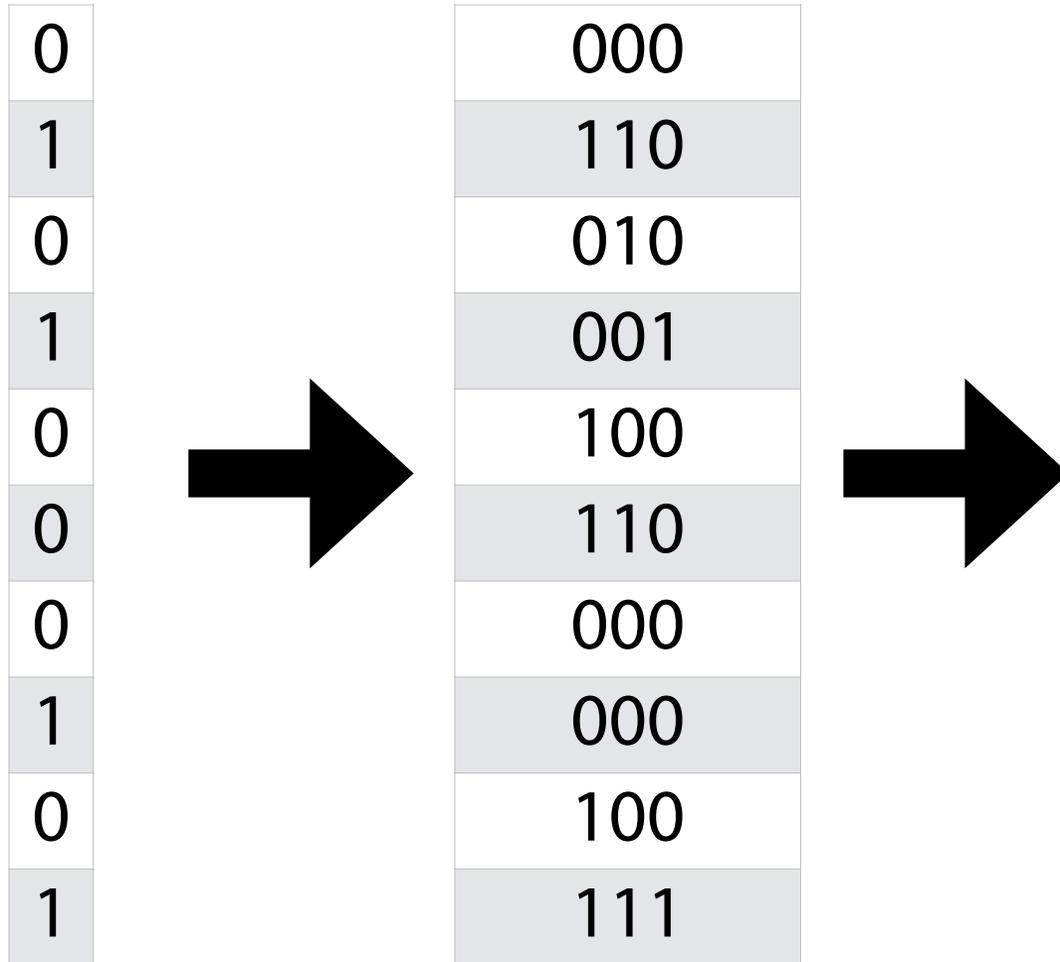
# Counting Sketches

A **sketch** is a compact (reduced) representation of a dataset that acts as a replacement for calculations.

Sometimes we need more information than 'presence/absence'...

3201
946
5581
8945
6145
8126
3887
8925
1246
8324
4549
9100
3887
8499
8970
3921
8925
4859

# Count Min Sketch







# Count Min Sketch Insertion

**$S = \{1, 3, 8, 16\}$**

**$h_1(k) = k \% 7$      $h_2(k) = k + 3(k \% 2) \% 7$      $h_3(k) = |k - 4| \% 7$**

$h_1$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$h_2$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$h_3$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Count Min Sketch Find

$S = \{1, 3, 8, 16\}$

$$h_1(k) = k \% 7 \quad h_2(k) = k + 3(k \% 2) \% 7 \quad h_3(k) = |k - 4| \% 7$$

`_find(16)`

`_find(1)`

$h_1$	0	2	1	1	0	0	0
$h_2$	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
$h_3$	0	1	0	1	1	1	0

# Count Min Sketch Find

What is our estimated count of  $x$ ?

How many **known** collisions?

$h_1(x)$	10	5	13	17	8	1	6
$h_2(x)$	3	7	20	12	2	9	7
$h_3(x)$	12	6	7	5	9	18	3
$h_4(x)$	4	19	26	1	4	5	1
$h_5(x)$	6	6	8	11	6	7	16

# Improving Count Min Sketch

Given what we know about collisions here, can we improve our insert strategy?

$h_1(x)$	10	5	13	17	8	1	6
$h_2(x)$	3	7	20	12	2	9	7
$h_3(x)$	12	6	7	5	9	18	3
$h_4(x)$	4	19	26	1	4	5	1
$h_5(x)$	6	6	8	11	6	7	16

# Count Min Sketch Improved Insertion

$S = \{ \dots, 1, 3, 8, 16, \dots \}$

$h_1(k) = k \% 7$      $h_2(k) = k + 3(k \% 2) \% 7$      $h_3(k) = |k - 4| \% 7$

$h_1$	7	9	10	1	5	7	6
$h_2$	4	8	7	5	4	10	7
$h_3$	15	12	2	5	8	2	1

# Count Min Sketch Insertion

**Minimal Increase:** When inserting, only update the minimum count.

## Default

$h_1$	7	11	11	2	5	7	6
$h_2$	4	9	8	5	5	10	8
$h_3$	15	13	2	6	9	3	1

## Minimal Increase

$h_1$	7	9	10	2	5	7	6
$h_2$	4	9	7	5	5	10	7
$h_3$	15	12	2	5	9	3	1

# Count-Min Sketch



A probabilistic data structure storing a set of values

Has **four** key properties:

$k$ , number of hash functions

$n$ , expected number of insertions

$m$ , filter size in **registers**

$b$ , **number of bits per register**

				$h_{\{1,2,3,\dots,k\}}$
0	3	1	0	
0	0	2	3	
2	0	1	0	
3	1	0	1	
0	0	2	2	

**Minimal increase** reduces overcounting by identifying collisions.

Count value returned here [underestimates / overestimates / matches] the true count of the query.

# Trivia Point 1: Deletion is Possible!

$h_1(x)$	0	1	2	2	3	1	1
$h_2(x)$	3	2	0	0	2	2	1
$h_3(x)$	0	1	1	2	4	2	0
$h_4(x)$	4	1	3	0	2	0	0
$h_5(x)$	1	1	5	1	0	1	1

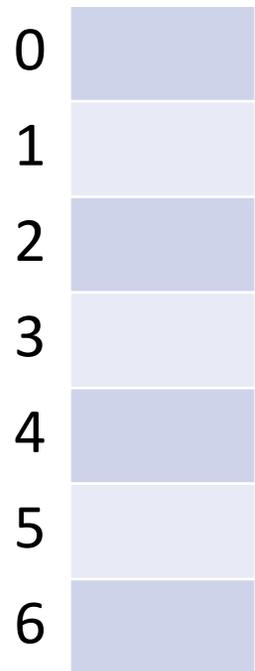
# Trivia Point 2: Counting Bloom Filters

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$h_5(x)$	6	6	8	11	6	7	16

# Trivia Point 2: Counting Bloom Filters

$S = \{ 16, 8, 4, 13, 29, 11, 22 \}$

$h_1(k) = k \% 7$        $h_2(k) = 2k+1 \% 7$



# Trivia Point 2: Counting Bloom Filters

$S = \{ 16, 8, 4, 13, 29, 11, 22 \}$

$h_1(k) = k \% 7$        $h_2(k) = 2k+1 \% 7$

0	0
1	3
2	3
3	3
4	2
5	1
6	2

# Next Time: Cardinality

**Cardinality:** how many *distinct* values in a data stream?

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