

# Data Structures and Algorithms

## Cardinality Sketches

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# Learning Objectives

Finish discussing bloom filters (and review bit vectors)

Introduce the concept of cardinality and cardinality estimation

Demonstrate the relationship between cardinality and similarity

Introduce the MinHash Sketch for set similarity detection

# Bloom Filters

A probabilistic data structure storing a set of values

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

Has three key properties:

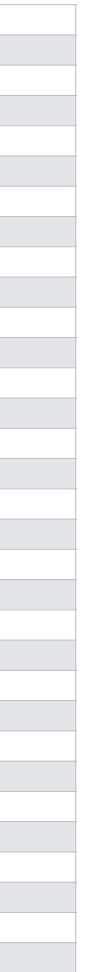
$k$ , number of hash functions

$n$ , expected number of insertions

$m$ , filter size in bits

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

Optimal accuracy when:  $k^* = \ln 2 \cdot \frac{m}{n}$



# Bitwise Operators in C++

How can we encode a bit vector in C++?

# Bitwise Operators in C++

Traditionally, bit vectors are read from RIGHT to LEFT

**Warning: Lab\_Bloom won't do this but MP\_Sketching will!**

0	0	0	0	1	1	1
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1	0	0	1	0	1	0
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# Bitwise Operators in C++

Let **A = 10110**

Let **B = 01110**

$\sim B$ :

$A \& B$ :

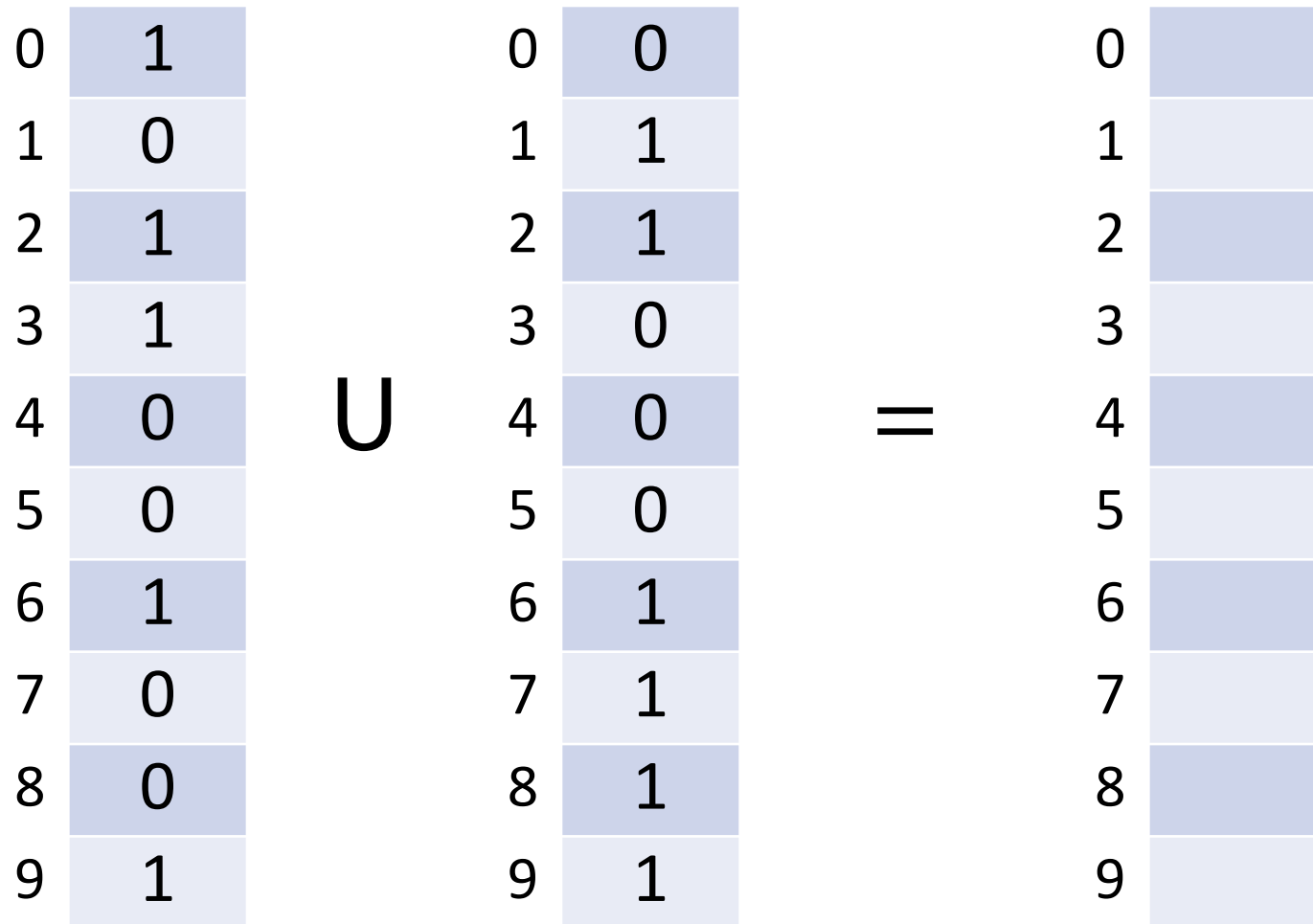
$A | B$ :

$A \gg 2$ :

$B \ll 2$ :

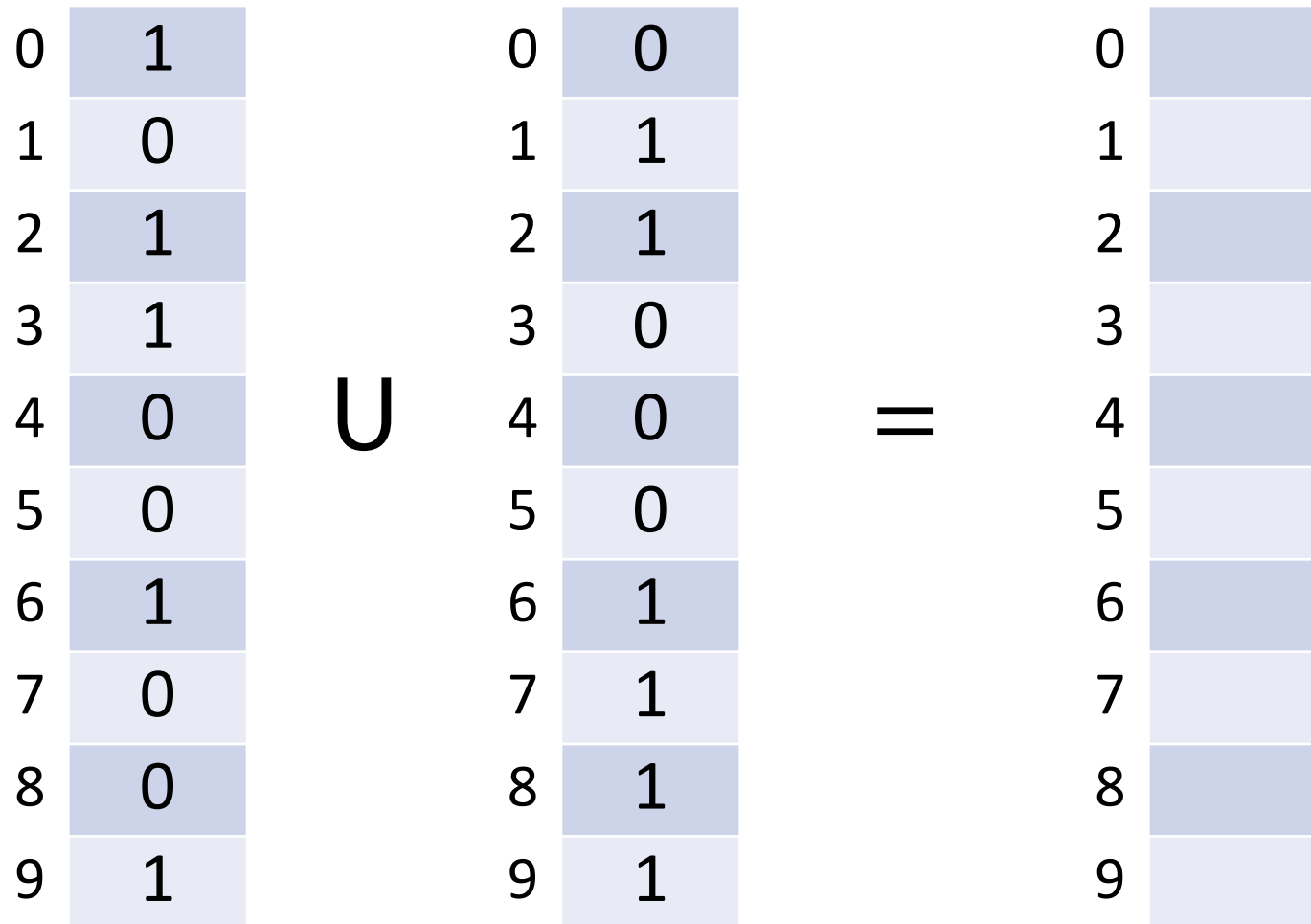
# Bit Vectors: Unioning

Bit Vectors can be trivially merged using bit-wise union.



# Bit Vectors: Intersection

Bit Vectors can be trivially merged using bit-wise intersection.



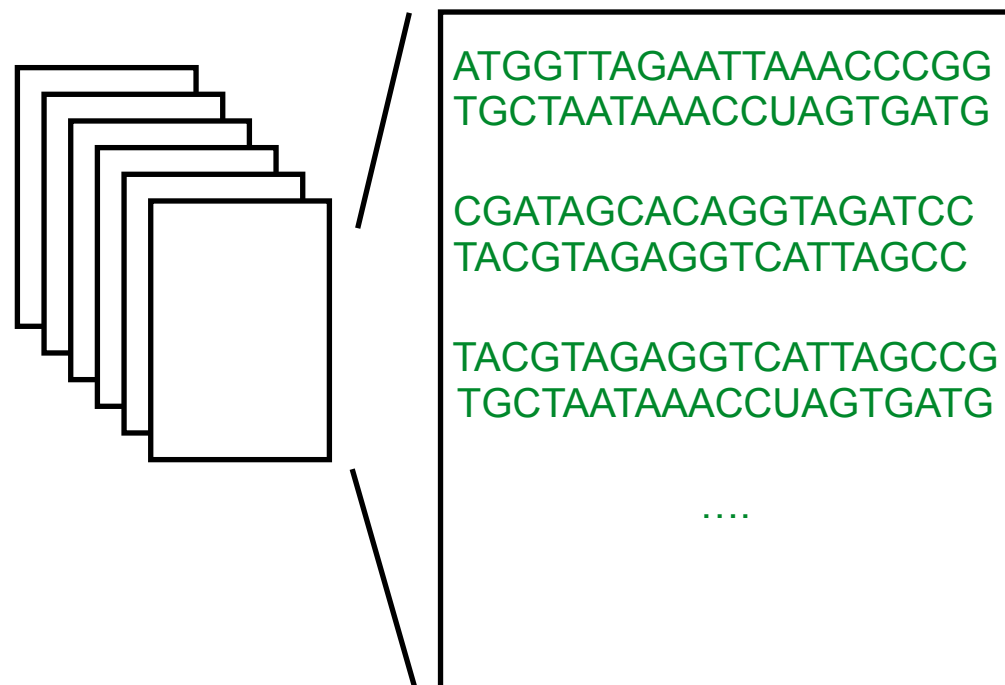


# Bit Vector Merging

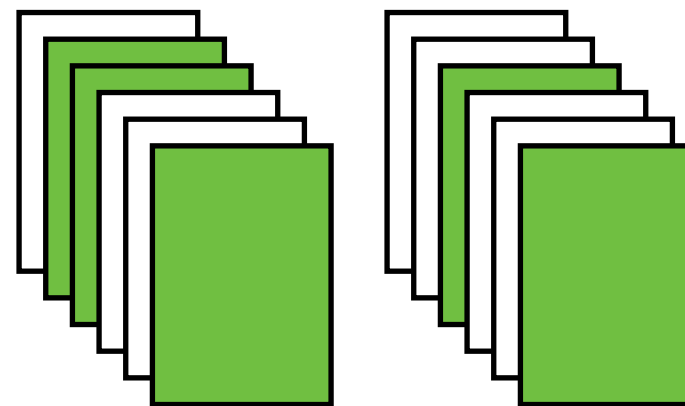
What is the conceptual meaning behind **union** and **intersection**?

# Sequence Bloom Trees

Imagine we have a large collection of text...



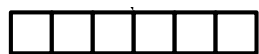
And our goal is to search these files for a query of interest...



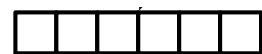
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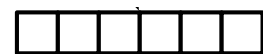
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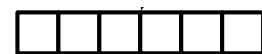
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SRA 00004



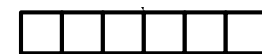
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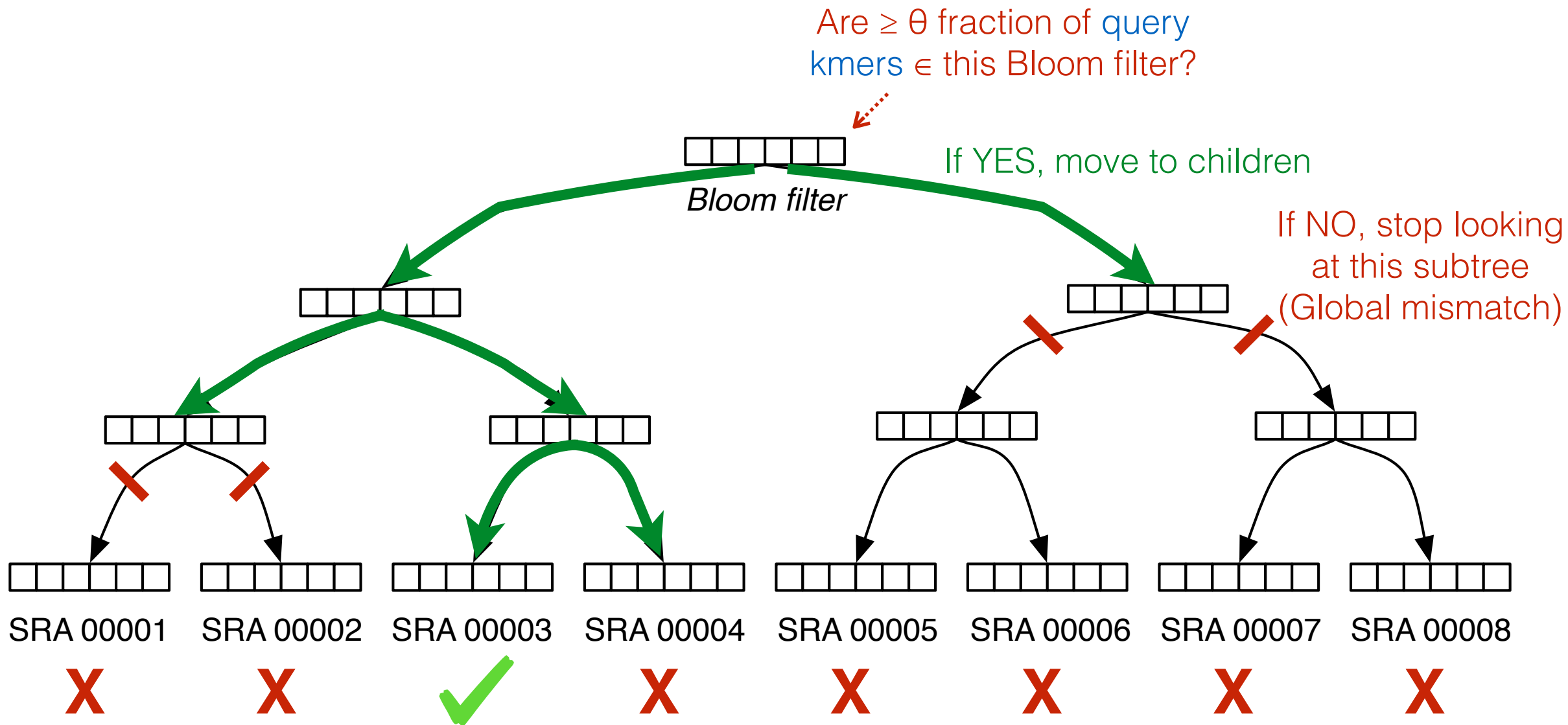


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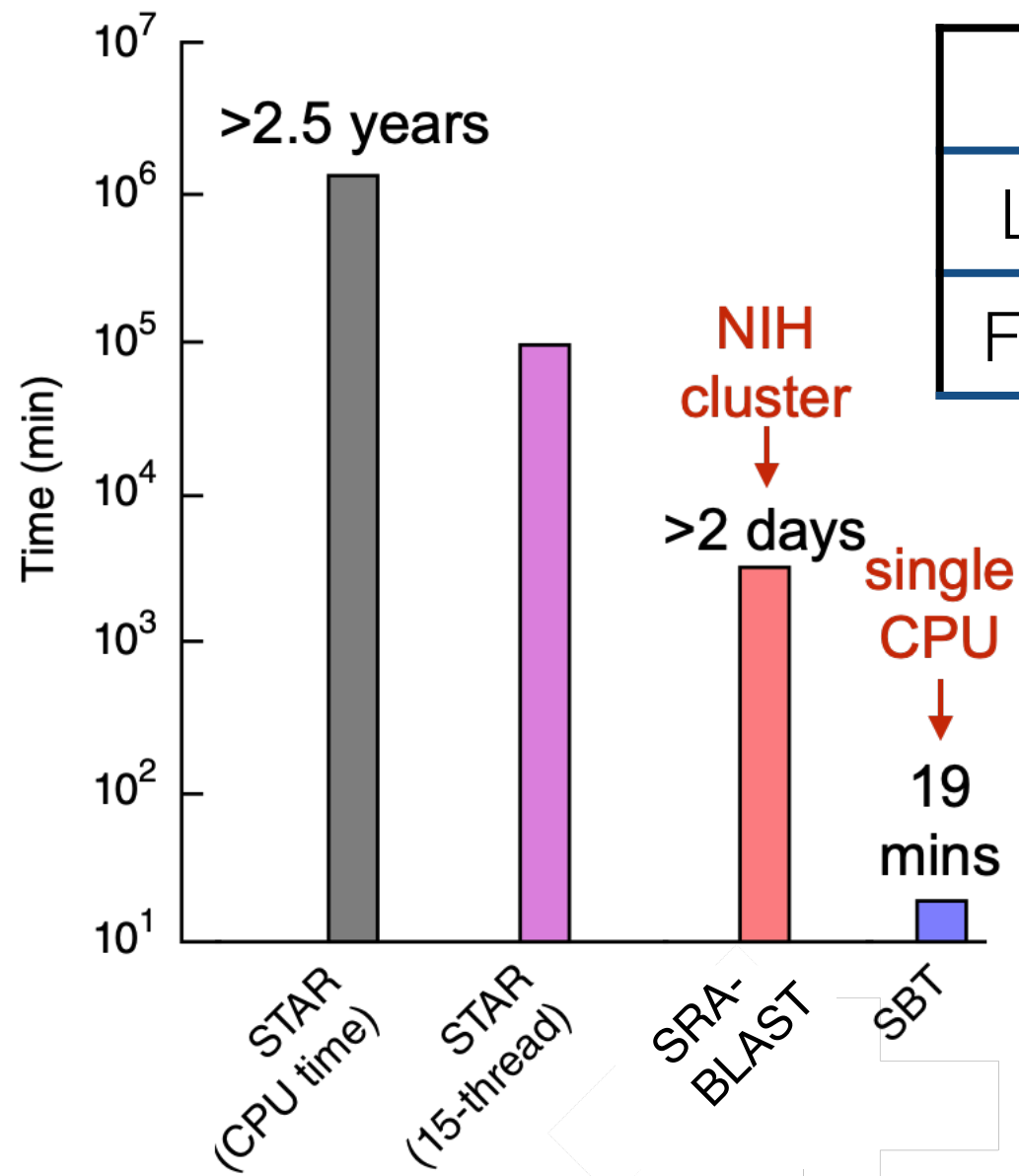


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# Sequence Bloom Trees



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	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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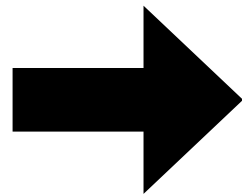
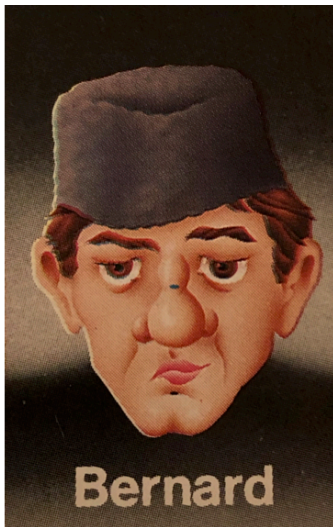
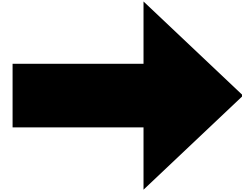
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# The hidden problem with (most) sketches...



# Cardinality

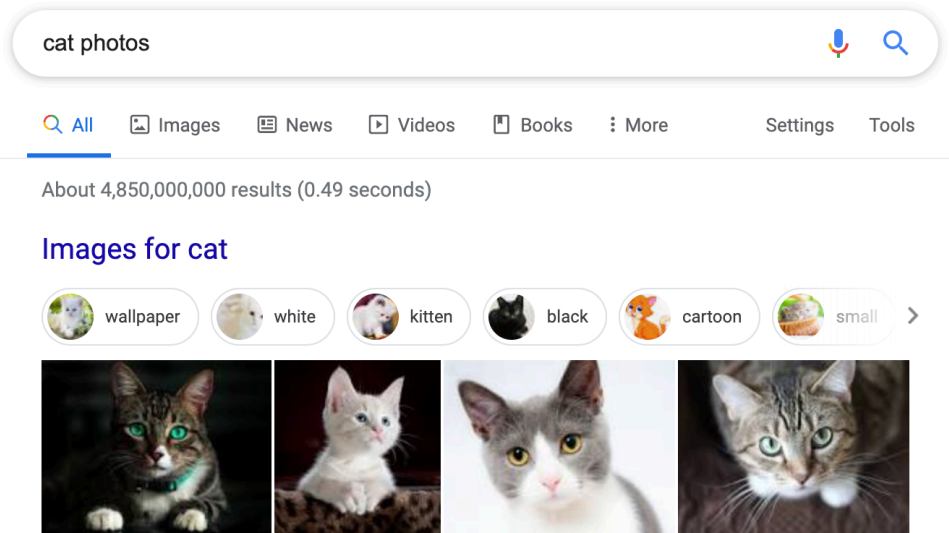
**Cardinality** is a measure of how many unique items are in a set

2
4
9
3
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8
5
6



# Cardinality

Sometimes its not possible or realistic to count all objects!



Estimate: 60 billion — 130 trillion

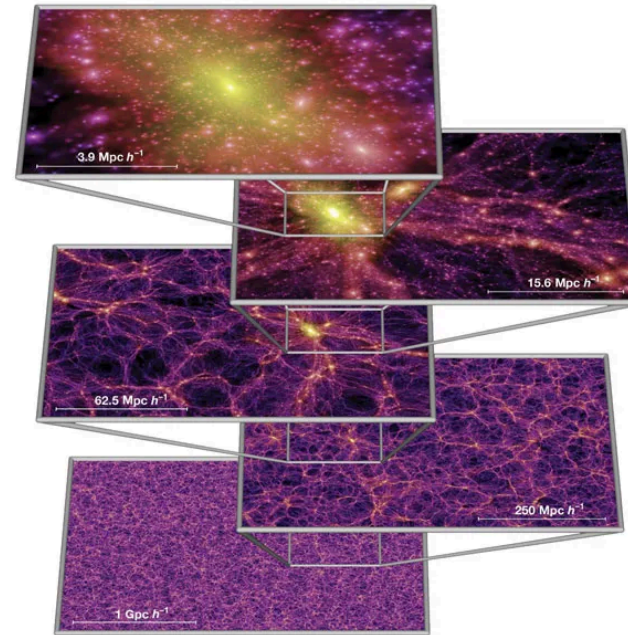


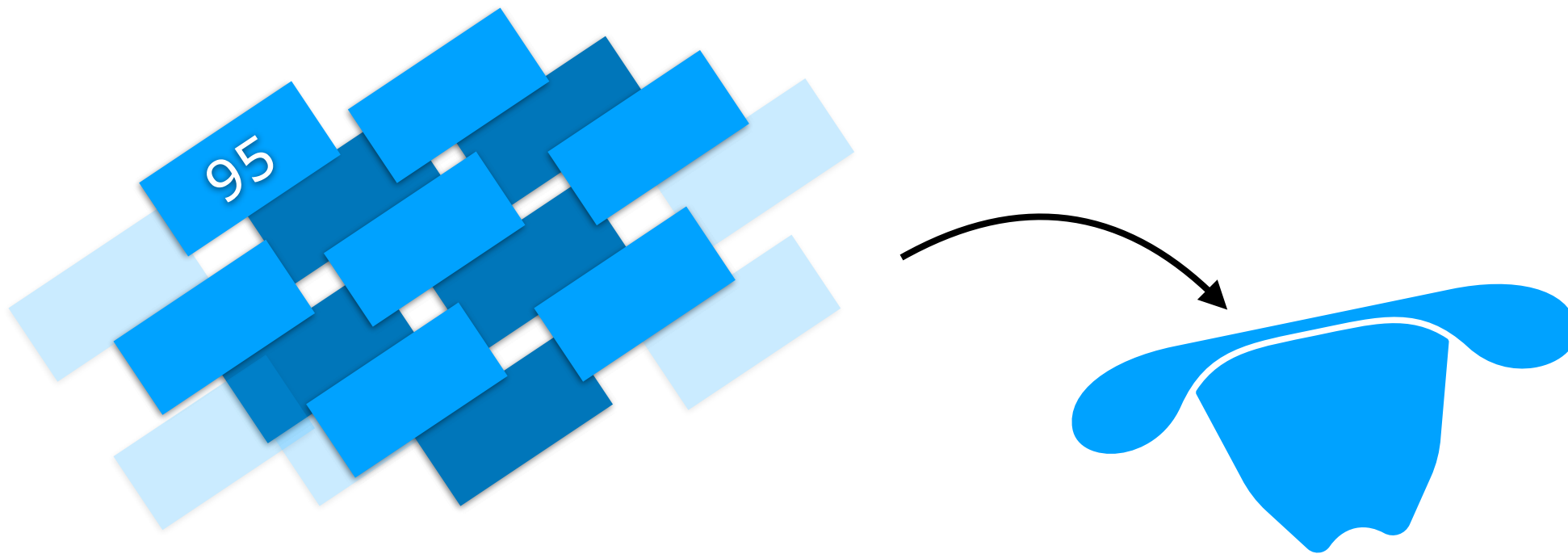
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# Cardinality Estimation

Imagine I fill a hat with numbered cards and draw one card out at random.

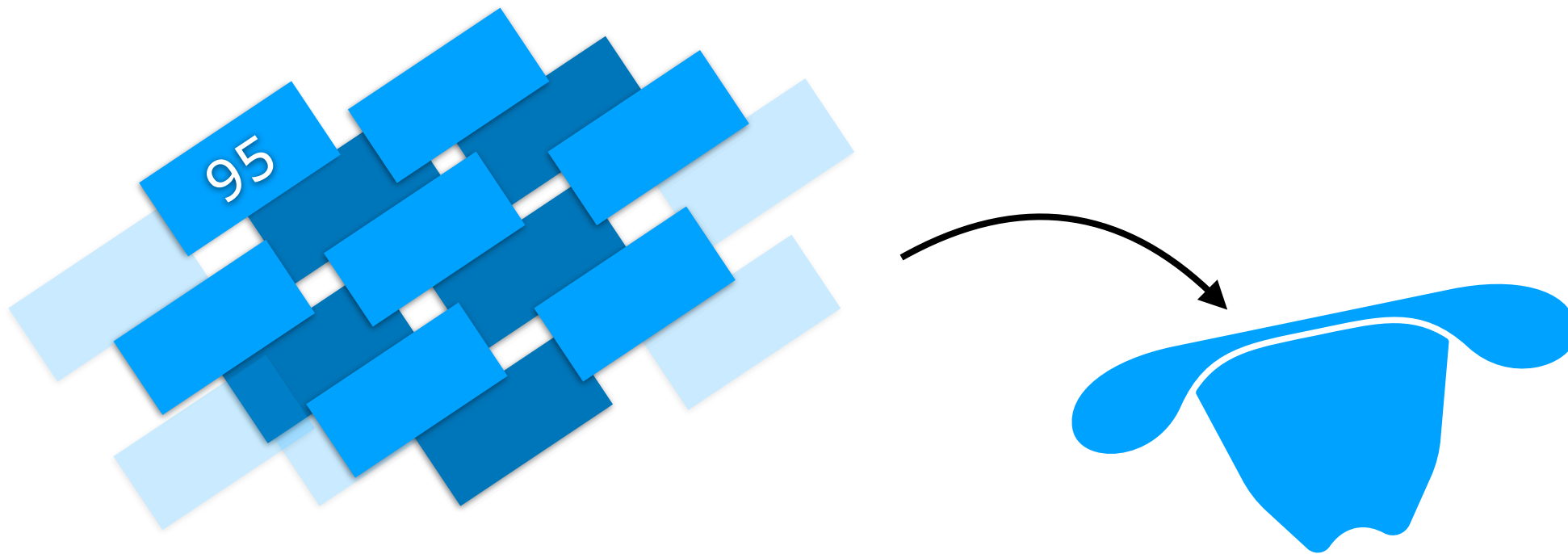
If I told you the value of the card was 95, what have we learned?



# Cardinality Estimation

Imagine I fill a hat with a **random subset** of numbered cards **from 0 to 999**

If I told you that the **minimum** value was 95, what have we learned?



# Cardinality Estimation

Imagine we have multiple uniform random sets with different minima.



# Cardinality Estimation

Let  $\min = 95$ . Can we estimate  $N$ , the cardinality of the set?



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Let  $\text{min} = 95$ . Can we estimate  $N$ , the cardinality of the set?



Conceptually: If we scatter  $N$  points randomly across the interval, we end up with  $N + 1$  partitions, each about  $1000/(N + 1)$  long

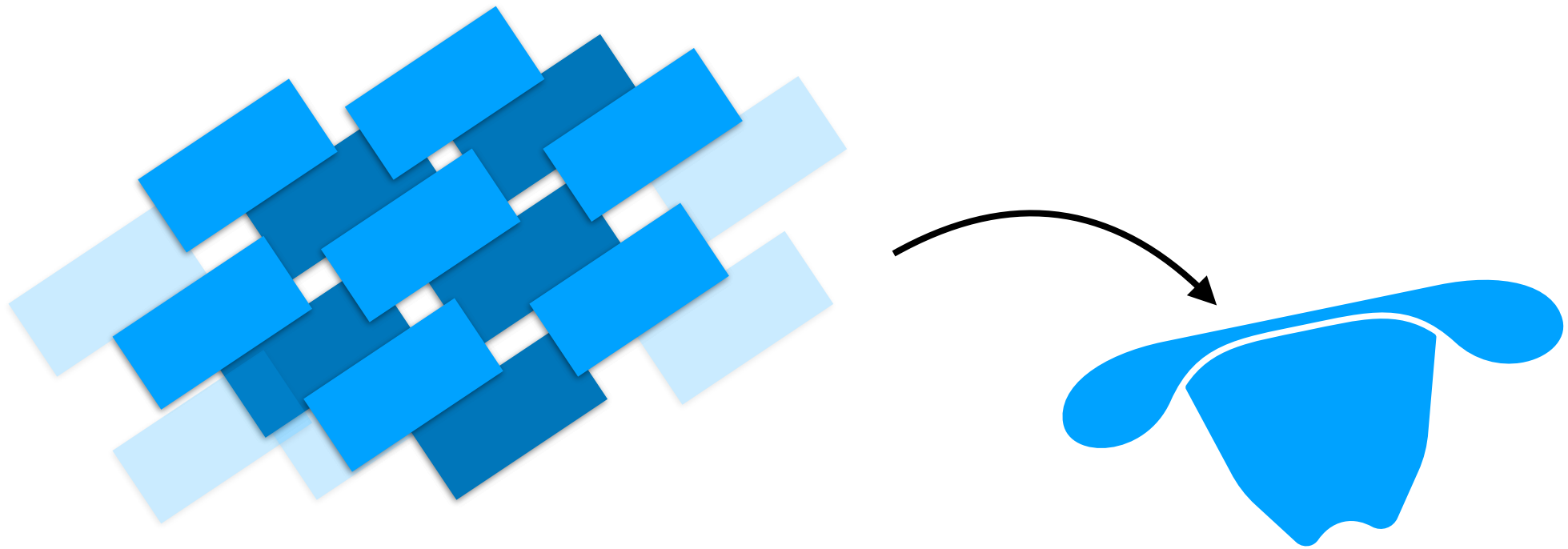
Assuming our first 'partition' is about average:  $95 \approx 1000/(N + 1)$

$$N + 1 \approx 10.5$$

$$N \approx 9.5$$

# Cardinality Estimation

Why do we care about “the hat problem”?







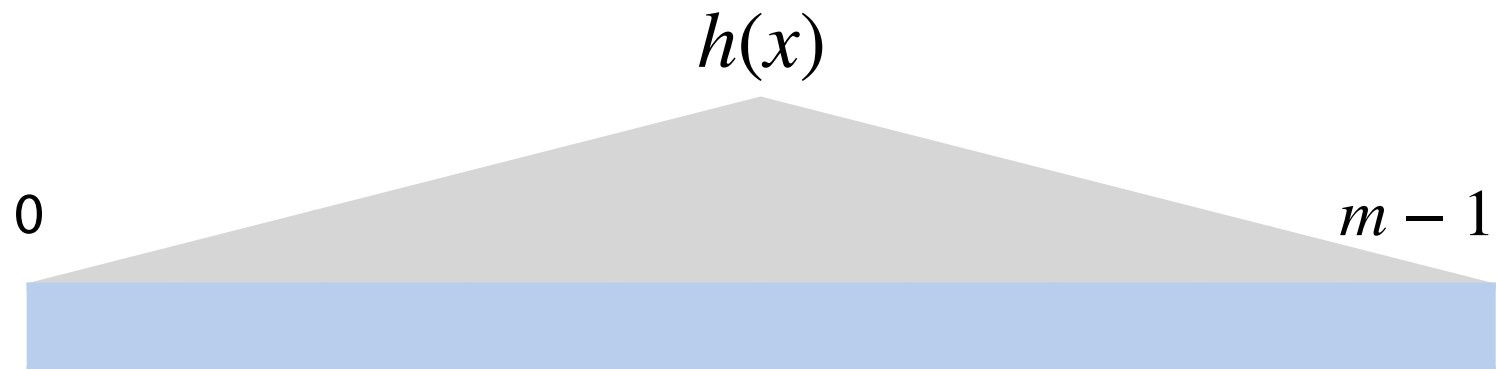


# Cardinality Estimation

Now imagine we have a SUHA hash  $h$  over a range  $m$ .

Here a hash insert is equivalent to adding a card to our hat!

Now storing only the minimum hash value is a **sketch**!



# Cardinality Sketch

Let  $M = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$  where each  $X_i \in [0, 1]$  is an uniform independent random variable

**Claim:**  $\mathbf{E}[M] = \frac{1}{N + 1}$

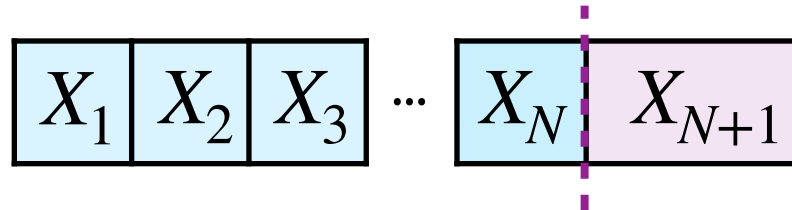
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# Cardinality Sketch

Consider an  $N + 1$  draw:

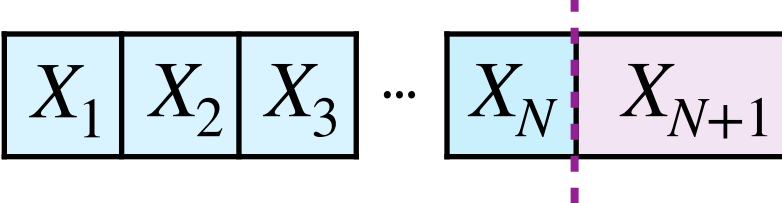


$$M = \min_{1 \leq i \leq N} X_i$$

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$X_{N+1}$  can end up in one of two ranges:

$X_{N+1}$  will be the new minimum with probability  $M$

$X_{N+1}$  will not change minimum with probability  $1 - M$



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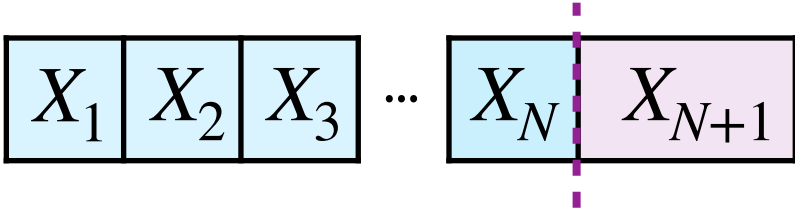
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$$\text{Thus, } \mathbf{E}[M] = \frac{1}{N+1}$$



# Cardinality Sketch

**Claim:**  $\mathbf{E}[M] = \frac{1}{N+1}$        $N \approx \frac{1}{M} - 1$

**Attempt 1**

0.962	0.328	0.771	0.952	0.923
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**Attempt 2**

0.253	0.839	0.327	0.655	0.491
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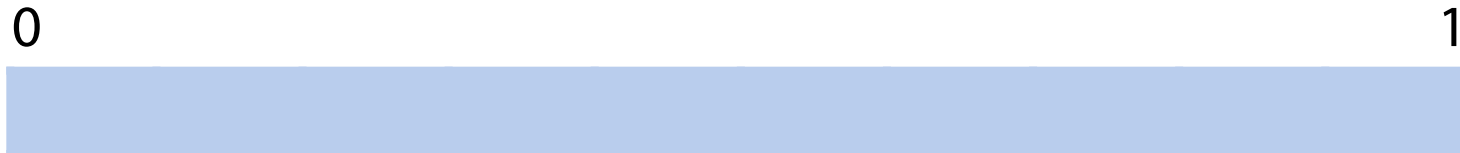
**Attempt 3**

0.134	0.580	0.364	0.743	0.931
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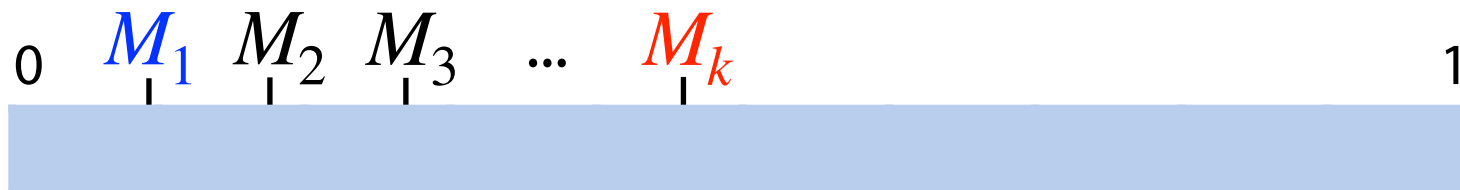
The minimum hash is a valid sketch of a dataset but can we do better?



# Cardinality Sketch

**Claim:** Taking the  $k^{\text{th}}$ -smallest hash value is a better sketch!

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**Claim:** 
$$\frac{\mathbf{E}[M_k]}{k} = \frac{1}{N+1}$$

$$= \left[ \mathbf{E}[M_1] + (\mathbf{E}[M_2] - \mathbf{E}[M_1]) + \dots + (\mathbf{E}[M_k] - \mathbf{E}[M_{k-1}]) \right] \cdot \frac{1}{k}$$

$M_1$   
|

$M_2$   
|

$M_3$   
|

...

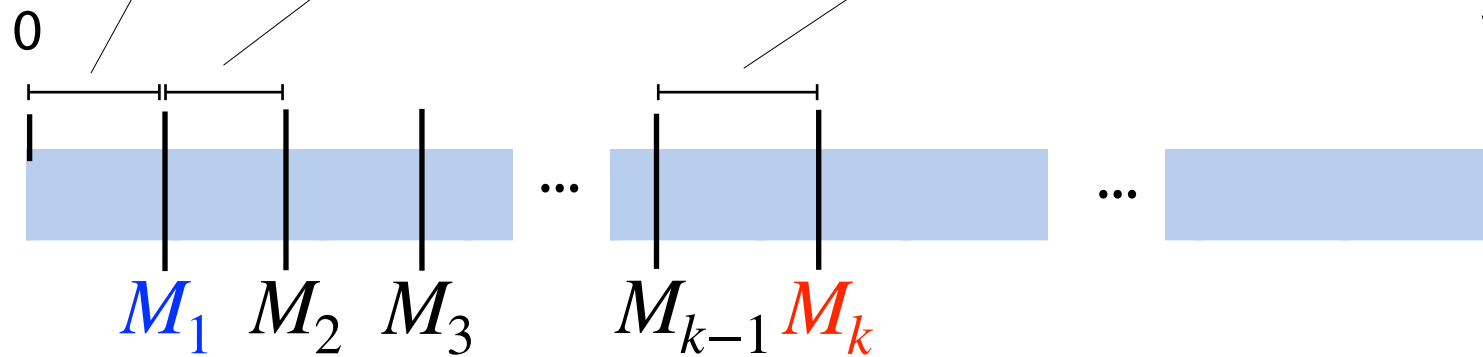
$M_{k-1}$   
|

$M_k$   
|

# Cardinality Sketch

$$\frac{1}{N+1} = \frac{\mathbf{E}[M_k]}{k}$$

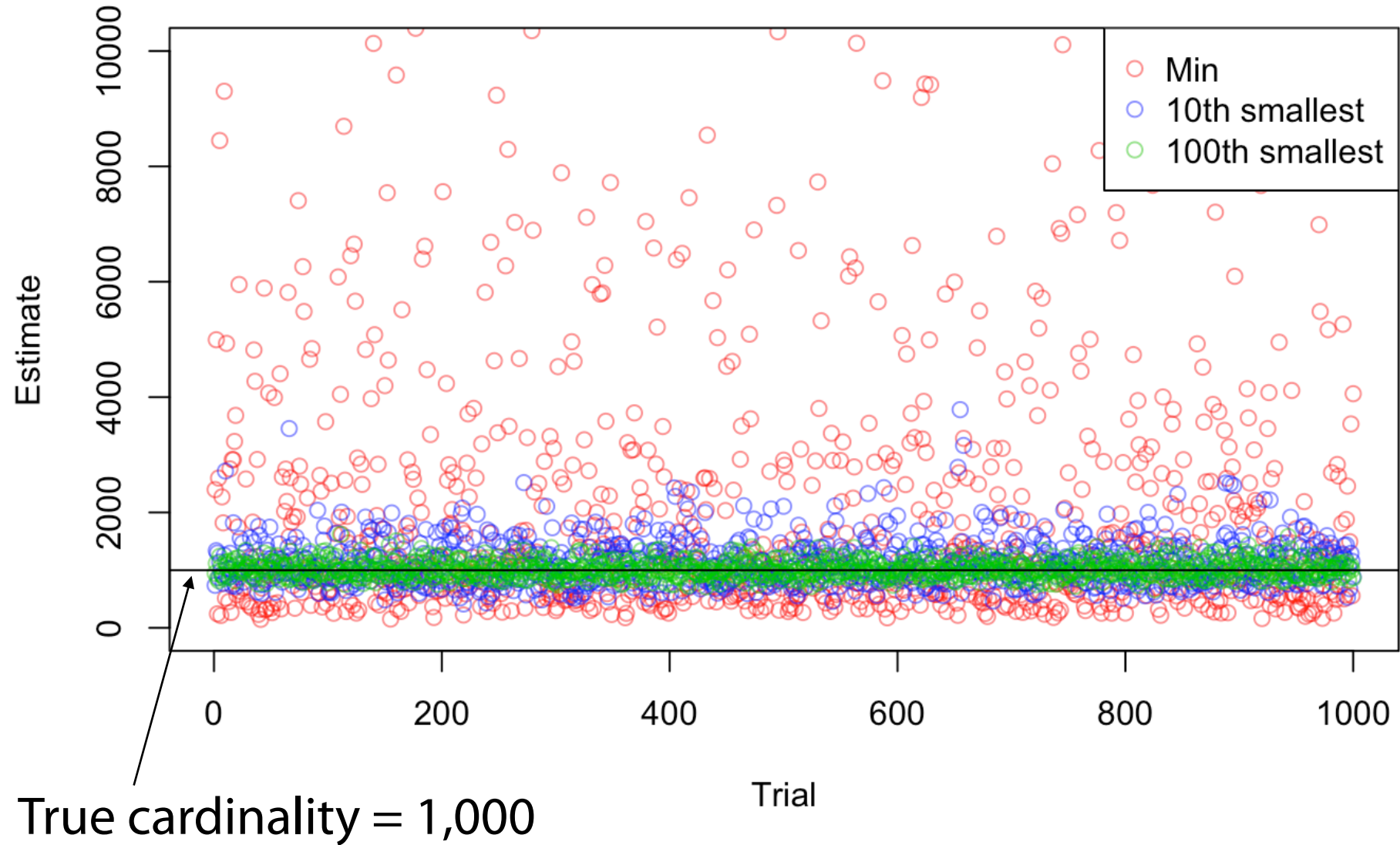
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$k^{\text{th}}$  minimum  
value (KMV)

Averages  $k$  estimates for  $\frac{1}{N+1}$

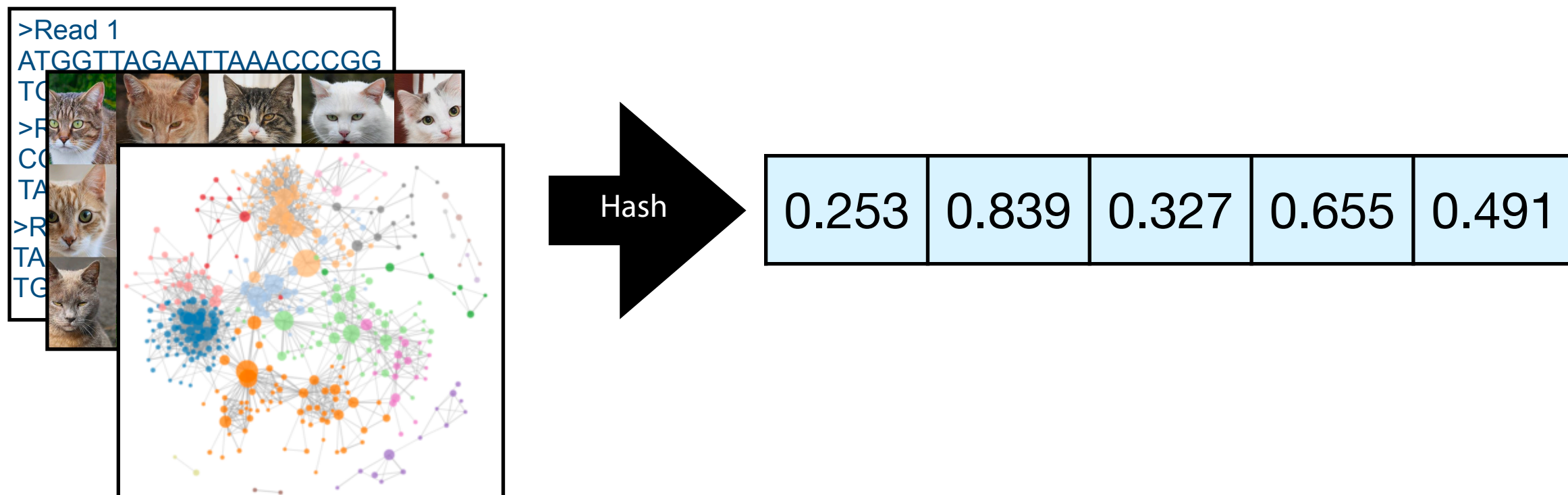
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# Cardinality Sketch



Given any dataset and a SUHA hash function, we can **estimate the number of unique items** by tracking the **k-th minimum hash value**.



To use the k-th min, we have to track k minima. **Can we use ALL minima?**

# Applied Cardinalities

Cardinalities

 $|A|$  $|B|$  $|A \cup B|$  $|A \cap B|$ 

Set similarities

$$O = \frac{|A \cap B|}{\min(|A|, |B|)}$$

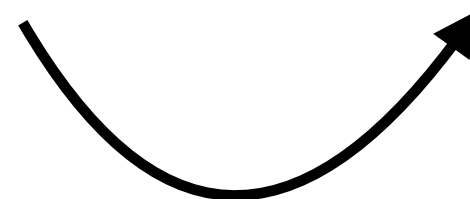
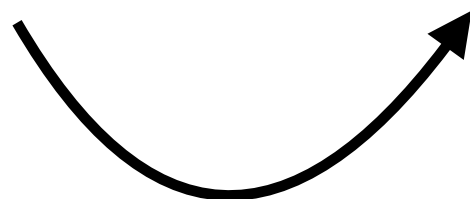
$$J = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

Real-world  
Meaning

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||||| |||||  
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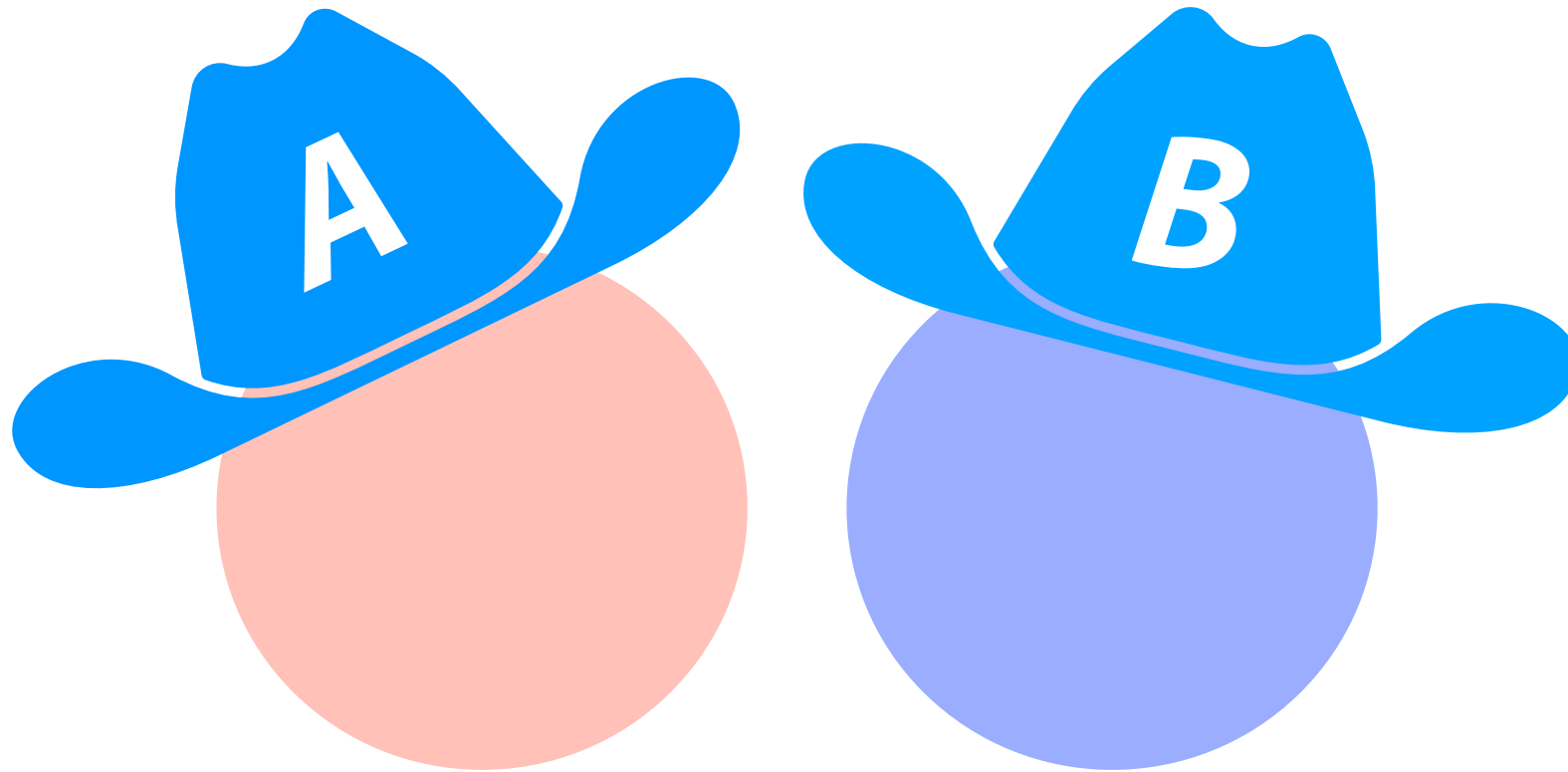
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||||| |||||  
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GAGG--TCAGATTCACAGCCAC  
|||| |||||  
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# Similarity Sketches

But what do we do when we only have a sketch?





# Similarity Sketches

Imagine we have two datasets represented by their  $k$ th minimum values

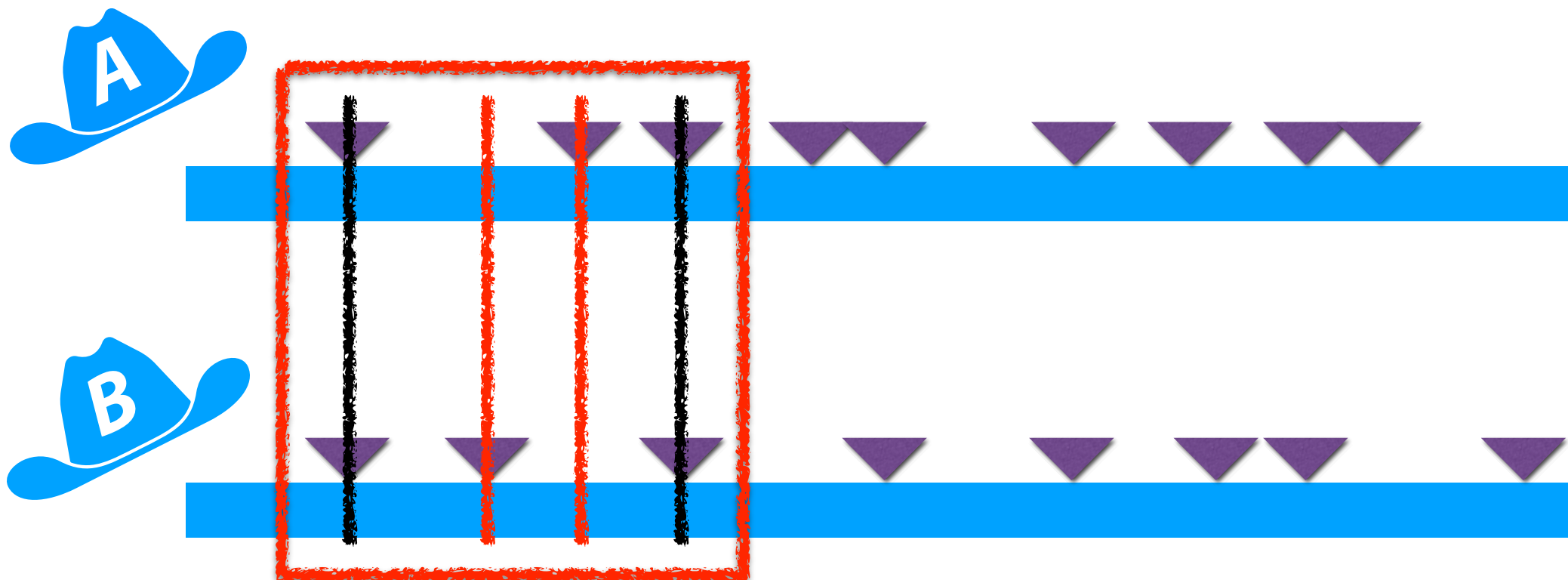


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**Claim:** Under SUHA, set similarity can be estimated by sketch similarity!

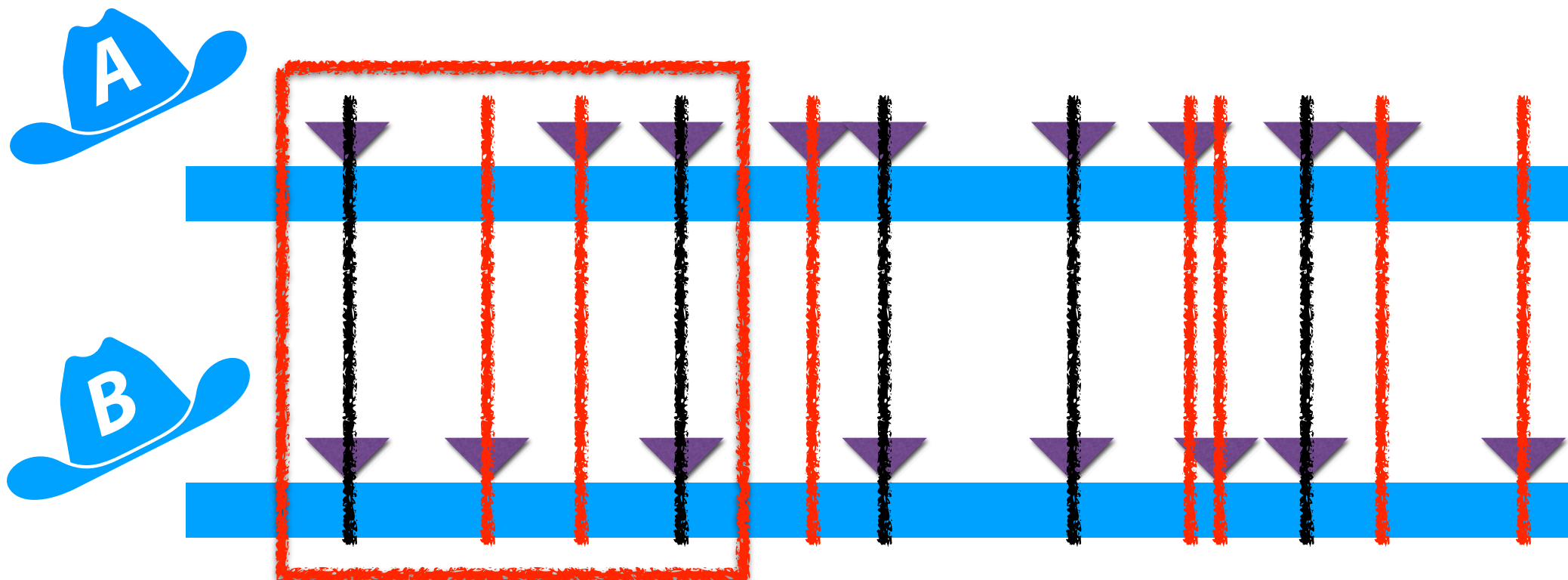
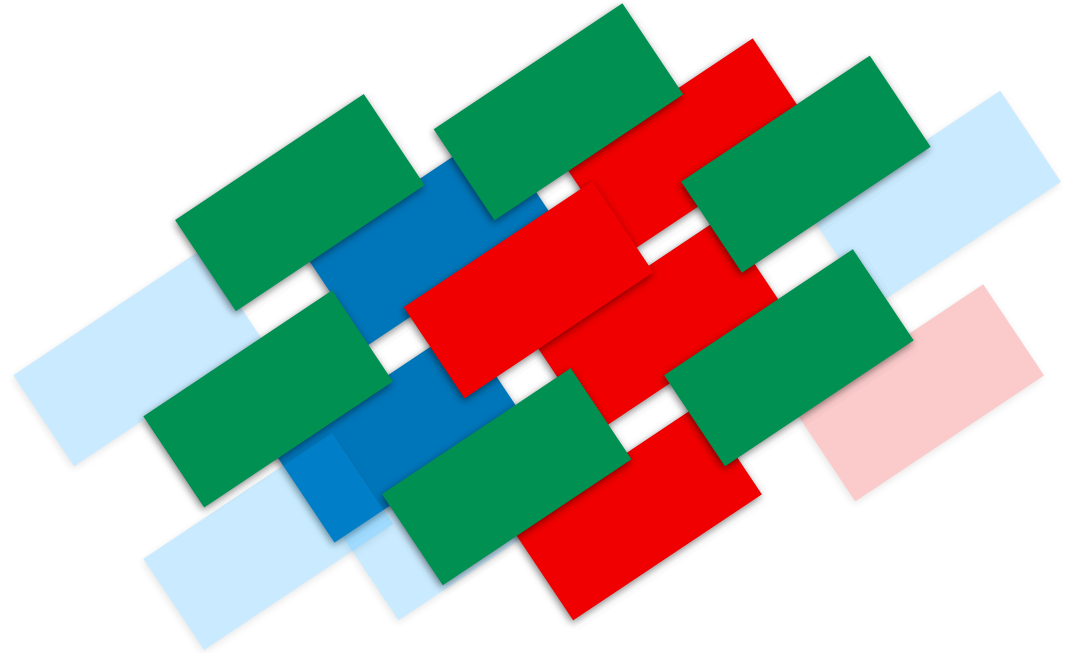
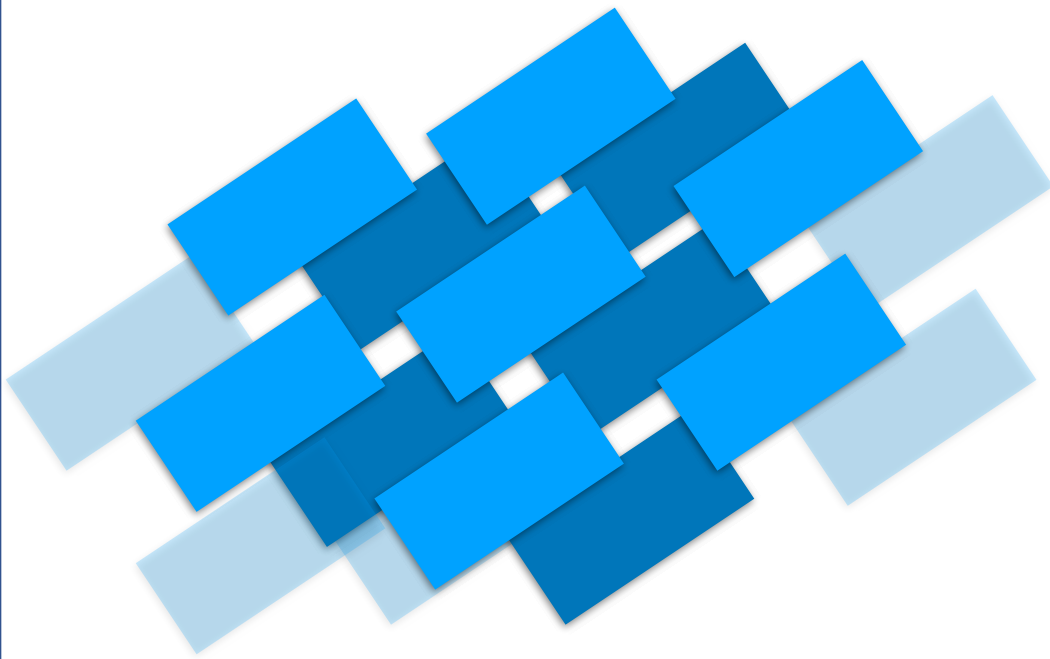


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# Minhash Sketch

An approximation for a full dataset capable of **estimating set similarity**



# Minhash Sketch 'ADT' (Use Cases)

**Constructor**

**Cardinality Estimation**

**Set Similarity Estimation**

# MinHash Construction

A MinHash sketch has three required inputs:

- 1.

- 2.

- 3.

# MinHash Construction

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

$h(x) = x \% 7$

$k = 3$

