

IOT Based ATM Monitoring

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Abstract—Distributed data stream mining in a sliding window has emerged recently, due to its applications in many domains including large Telecoms and Internet Service Providers, financial tickers, ATM and credit card operations in banks and transactions in retail chains. Many of these large-scale applications prohibit monitoring data centrally at a single location due to their massive volume of the data; therefore, data acquisition, processing, and mining tasks are often distributed to a number of processing nodes, which monitor their local streams and exchange only the summary of data either periodically or on demand. While this offers many advantages, distributed stream applications possess significant challenges including problems related to an online analysis of recent data, communication efficiency and various estimation of various complex queries. There are few existing techniques which solve problems related to distributed sliding window data stream; however, those techniques are focused on solving only simple problems and require high space, query, and communication cost, which can be a bottleneck for many of these large scale applications. In this paper, we propose an efficient query estimation technique by constructing a small sketch of the data stream. The constructed sketch uses a deterministic sliding window model and can estimate various complex queries, for both centralized and distributed applications; including point queries.

Index Terms—*Distributed Query Estimation, Distributed Heavy Hitters, Distributed Data Streams.*

1 Introduction

In many applications data needs to be processed on a nonstop continuous basis, i.e., in the form of a stream. For example, in large Telecoms and Internet Service Providers, detailed usage information (e.g., Call-Detail-Records, SNMP packet-flow data, etc.) needs to be continuously collected and analyzed for billing, capacity planning, and identification of trends and anomalies. A common need for these applications is to extract useful intelligence and actionable rules from high speed multidimensional streams, which can be accomplished through a summary sketch that can represent the statistical properties of data while allowing fast real-time updates and query. Such summary sketch can improve scalability and efficiency of various data analytic tasks such as estimating self-join and inner product, quantiles, frequency statistics and heavy hitters. The heavy hitters problem is one of the most studied questions in data streams research, due to its simplicity to state, and its value in many applications. Informally, given a series of items arriving in a stream, the objective is to find those items which occur most frequently. This is useful in many domains including databases (e.g., finding attribute values with high frequencies. IP network traffic monitoring (e.g., identifying heaviest bandwidth users), online analytical processing (e.g., online queries performed in real time monitoring systems), and search engines (e.g., the most frequently searched terms in queries made to an Internet search engine). Due to their massive volume of the data, many of these large-scale application prohibit monitoring data centrally at a single location; therefore, data processing task is distributed to a number of processing nodes, which monitor their local streams and exchange only the summary of processed data either periodically or on demand. While this offers many advantages, distributed streams applications possess significant challenges including problems related to online analysis of recent data, communication efficiency and various complex queries estimation. First, often recent data is more important and emphasized in these applications

while historic data is accumulated and archived in the DBMS of a data warehouse where access to it is time-consuming and prohibitively expensive. Second, many of these large-scale distributed monitoring applications impose critical communication efficiency requirements

2 Previous Work

Distributed systems have seen a wide range of development recently [6], [7], [8]. Studies on distributed stream processing focus on communication efficiency for handling various query types, including monitoring of simple distributed aggregates [9], join aggregates [10], distributed quantiles [11], dynamic continuous queries [12] and distributed threshold conditions [13], [14]. However, these approaches are based on full history stream computational model, which do not solve the problems that are specific to sliding window stream computational model, hence cannot be applied to distributed sliding window stream processing. Chakrabati et al. [15] proposed to combine exponential histogram [4] with count-min sketch [16] for computing the entropy of the stream in sliding window. Their algorithm requires $O(12 \log \log N)$ space, and processes each update in $O(1 + \log \log 1 + \log \log)$ time. Here is a bulk of work [17], [18] on processing data streams in sliding window, however, their focus is on proximating simple centralized queries (i.e., heavy hitters) and cannot answer complex queries. Recently ECM-sketches were proposed in [3], which similar to [15], combine exponential histogram with count-min sketch to estimate various queries in the distributed sliding window streams. There are several differences between ECM-sketch and ESS-sketch. First, ECM-sketch combines exponential histogram with sketches like count-min sketches to design distributed sliding window stream mining technique, because count-min sketches are trivially composable due their matrix-like structures. This work uses Space Saving [5] structure and replaces its Integer counters by exponential histograms or deterministic waves to design distributed sliding window stream mining technique.

Nevertheless, using Space Saving in a distributed setting is non-trivial due to the complexity in merging data structures containing both keys and counters. We address this issue by developing an approach to solve the composability issue of ESS sketches.

3 Preliminaries

In data streams mining, there are two types of computational models; full-history, where the complete data is available for query estimation; and sliding window, where time decayed partial data is available for query estimation. The main idea behind the proposed framework is to combine the basic structures from full-history and sliding window streams to build a composable structure (ESS-sketch) for the centralized as well as distributed sliding window streams. ESS-sketch offers the following benefits. a) ESS-sketch allows solving complex problems in the sliding window model, including sliding window query processing (e.g., computing quantiles, maintaining frequency statistics and finding heavy hitters), and database operations such as joins and inner products that are not currently available in sliding window model; b) moreover, we have designed the ESS-sketch to be composable so that it allows the same complex queries in a distributed environment; c) The proposed distributed ESS-sketch enable accurate merging of distributed sketches which improves on existing work (see Section 2) by offering deterministic accuracy of query estimation (bounded by ϵ) with significantly lower requirements for memory $O(12 \log n)$, query processing $O(1)$, and distributed merge complexity $O(d^2 \log n)$, which is far less than existing solutions (see Table 2). In Section 4, we describe the proposed ESS-sketch for centralized setting, and in Section 5, we provide details of the proposed merge algorithm for ESS-sketches to summarize the distributed sliding window data streams. Next, we describe the two computational models in more detail, focusing on the aspects relevant to our work.

3.1 Full-history Stream Computational Model

In this model, data items arrive in the form of a continuous stream, where all the elements arrived so far are considered relevant at any time to answer queries on the data set. Many mining algorithms, database operations, and Internet search engine query processing systems require efficient execution which can be difficult to accomplish with a fast data stream.

For instance, Google processes over 40,000 search queries every second on average, and a typical router interface processes around 1 million packets every second [19]. Therefore, it is often acceptable to compute approximate answers for such problems. Many algorithms are proposed in literature [5], [16] that can estimate frequencies of items in full history

streams. Space Saving (SS) [5] is a widely used counter-based algorithm for estimating item frequencies. It can track a subset T of items from a universe by maintaining an approximate count for each item in the subset. Each tuple in T contains three entries, $[R; f^{\wedge}(R); R]$, where R is the record, $f^{\wedge}(R)$

is the estimated frequency of R , and R is the estimation error. If the incoming record R from stream S is in T , SS increments the corresponding counter.

Otherwise, the record with the smallest counter in T say P is removed from T and replaced by R . Also, the counter of R is set to $f^{\wedge}(P) + 1$, and the error of R is set to $R - f^{\wedge}(P)$.

3.2 Sliding Window Stream Computational Model

In this model, data items arrive in a form of continuous stream, where only the last n (window size) items are considered relevant at any given time. The most recent n items are active data items, while the rest of the data items are expired and are no longer contributing to any query answers on the data set. A data item that has been processed cannot be retrieved for further processing at a later stage. The available memory for processing the stream is limited and often required to be sub-linear. Hence, algorithms which need to store all the active data items are considered inadequate in the sliding window computational model. The sliding window model was first proposed by Datar et al. [4], where they considered a simple basic counting problem.

4 PROPOSED FRAMEWORK FOR A CENTRALIZED SETTING

In a centralized setting, it is often required to compute an aggregate of a multidimensional high-speed stream. This section describes how the proposed approach can be used to find a summary of a high-speed stream. We first describe ESS sketch with its pseudo code and later provide an example. ESS sketch supports both count-based and time-based sliding windows. The core idea of ESS sketch is a modified SS structure [5]. SS structure is designed for full-history data streams and cannot handle sliding window constraints. ESS sketch addresses this limitation by replacing the Integer counters of SS structure by sliding window counters W , where each W is an exponential histogram or deterministic waves.

Specifically, it associates each record P with a sliding window counter that counts the number of occurrences of P within the sliding window, covering the last n arrivals, or the last n time units, depending on whether we need count-based or time based sliding windows. For each $P \in S$, let $SP = e_1 e_2 e_3 \dots$ be a bit stream, where, for any $i \geq 1$, $e_i = 1$ if $P_i = P$, and $e_i = 0$ if $P_i \neq P$. This means that for each

unique record P there is a corresponding bit stream SP of 0's and 1's constructed using the above rule. For instance, see Figure 1 to stream S . The constructed bit stream SP for a record P has a digit 1 when the corresponding record in the actual stream is P and has a digit 0 otherwise. Once the bit streams are constructed, we can use window counters W to estimate the number of 1's in those bit streams (such as SP), which in turn finds the estimated number of occurrences of a record (such as P) in sliding window in the original stream S . Next, we explain how ESS sketch summarizes the stream of records in a sliding window. ESS sketch maintains a small data structure T , where each entry in T is a tuple $[R; WR]$. We denote the number of tuples jT_j by m ($m = \sum_j T_j$). For each incoming record R that is present in T , we insert a 1 with the arrival timestamp i of R into the corresponding sliding window counter. If R is not present in T , then we need to make room to insert R by first removing any expired records (s) (i.e., records that are older than the current window). If there is no expired record, then the record with the lowest count is replaced with R and 1 is inserted into its sliding window counter. The insertion of 1 ensures to add 1

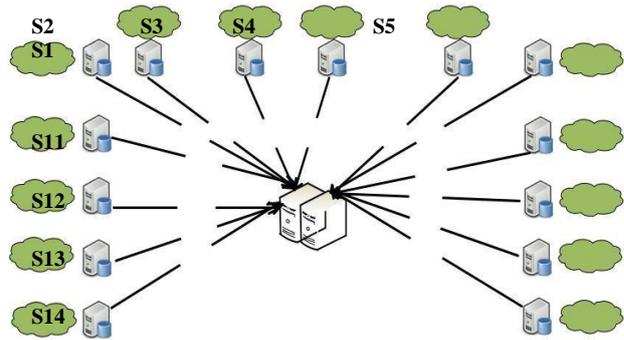
to the count of record R , similar to the case of Space Saving with Integercounters. Algorithm 1 outlines the steps of the ESS-sketch. ESS-sketch can also handle a generic case where each record in the stream is a pair $(R; c)$. For each incoming pair $(R; c)$ from stream S , if R is in T , ESS-sketch inserts c number of 1's into W , all with same timestamp i , and inserts 0 to all other W in T . Both exponential histogram and deterministic waves require the timestamp to be non-decreasing. Therefore, inserting any number of 1's into W with same timestamp (as long as the timestamp is non-decreasing) does not affect the working principle of W . Although ESS-sketch can handle streams where items have an arbitrary count, for the sake of simplicity, and clarity, from here onward we will consider $f(R_i)$ to be 1 (i.e., streams with unitary updates). We will consider the case in which the stream S is simply a sequence of records R_i without an associated frequency $f(R_i)$, hence, $n = N$. Before providing further detail about ESS-sketch, we first describe how exponential histogram or deterministic waves can be used to estimate the number of occurrences of an element in the stream S in a sliding window.

5 Proposed Framework For A Distributed Setting

In a distributed setting, it may be required to compute aggregates on the union of the data in all streams rather than just any individual stream. For example, in a network monitoring problem, packets can enter or leave the network at multiple locations, and each of this location is monitored separately, using multiple distributed sites (see Figure 2 left). The network monitoring team might be interested in querying the aggregates on the union of the data in all streams. One simple solution to this problem would be to send all streams directly to a single site (summarizer or the sink) which can then summarize the entire stream received.

5.1 Merging Window Counters

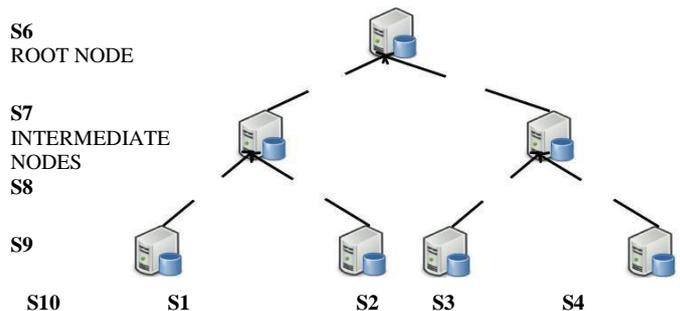
In this section, we explain the merging algorithm for the time-based sliding window exponential histograms. Although exponential histogram supports both time-based and count-based sliding windows, however, we are only able to merge time-based exponential histograms, and the same is true for the deterministic waves [3]. Consider a set of d exponential histograms EH_1, EH_2, \dots, EH_d , each of which represents a summary of a time-based sliding window of L last n time units (minute, hourly, etc.). Let, $EH = EH_1 \oplus EH_2 \oplus \dots \oplus EH_d$ denote the merge operation of the d exponential histograms. Recall that an exponential histogram consists of up to a maximum of $k = O(1 \log n)$ buckets (see section 3.2). Let a bucket $i = 1; 2; 3; \dots; k$; of an exponential histogram $j = 1; 2; 3; \dots; d$; be represented by ij . The buckets are numbered from right to left, such that the most recent bucket is 1. Let, the number of 1's (the size of the bucket) be denoted by j_{ij} .



5.3 Correctness and Complexity of ESSL Sketch

This section explains some theoretical results of the merge algorithm. First, we provide proof of the correctness of the algorithm using error bound in estimation and then provide update cost of the merge algorithm.

Lemma 10. Let N_L be the sum of the frequencies of the records in the union stream S_L . Let $N_1; N_2; \dots; N_d$ be the sum of the frequencies of the records in the respective distributed summaries $ESS_1, ESS_2, \dots, ESS_d$, for the d distributed data streams $S_1; S_2; \dots; S_d$. Let ϵ be the error parameter and n be the length of the time-based sliding window for each of the distributed summaries. Then, the estimation error by the merged summary ESS_L that corresponds to S_L is bounded by $N_L \epsilon$. For proof see appendix. Theorem 11. The worst-case time to merge d summaries, each of size m , is $O(dkm)$, where k is the maximum number of buckets in a single window counter. For proof see appendix. The worst-case time required by the merge algorithm can also be written as $O(dkm) = O(d^2 \log n)$, where $k = 1 \log n$ and $m = 1$. Theorem 12. The communication cost or amount of volume required to transfer over a network for the merge algorithm to merge d distributed summaries is $O(d^2)$.



Theorem 12 can simply be followed from the fact that the size of a single distributed summary is $12 \log n$, and merging d such summaries requires $O(d^2 \log n)$ volume to be transferred over the network.

5.4 Query Estimation in a Distributed Setting

In this section, we explain how the merged summary ESS_L supports point queries, range queries and heavy hitter queries in a distributed settings. Note that the following

analyses are valid for time-based sliding window models only.

5.4.1 Distributed Point and Range Queries

In the case of point and range queries in a distributed settings, an ideal case to save the communication cost is to query each ESS-sketch and then accumulate the results from all the distributed instances of ESS-sketch. For point and range queries, there is no need for fetching the entire summary from each site and merging them at a central site. A point query (respect range query) is issued by the querying site using an identifier R (respect $(R; r)$) over all the distributed sites. The distributed sites then return their local estimates (an integer value) corresponding to the query in the same way as explained in centralized settings (see Section 4.2 for estimating point and range queries). The querying site then sums all the estimates to find the answer to the queries corresponding to the union stream SL . The point query is then answered with the following estimation guarantees.

Theorem 13. Let $f(R)$, and $f^{\wedge}(R)$ be the true and estimated frequencies of R in sliding window of size n in the union stream SL . Then the estimation error for the point query is bounded by

$$f(R) f^{\wedge}(R) f(R) + NL.$$

6 Implementation And Evaluation

We have implemented all our proposed algorithms using Java (v 1.8). The ECM sketches were also implemented in Java and obtained from the authors [3]. For the testing, we have used an Intel Core i7 machine with a 3.4GHz processor, 16 GB RAM, and 64 bit Windows operating system installed on it. The data structures used in all the algorithms implemented and acquired are based on hashing techniques; it requires one hashing operation to lookup a particular item in the data structure. **Datasets:** In our experiments, we have used real Internet traffic traces datasets [23] that are openly available from the WAND Network Research Group at the University of Waikato, New Zealand. Each of these datasets contains 30minutes trace of network traffic data in tcpdump1 format. Wireshark2 was used to read the tcpdump format data for extracting source IP addresses.

Experimental Setup: In real-world applications, it is difficult to predict the maximum number of items that will arrive in a sliding window; therefore, these values are typically decided by analyzing a small stream sample. The exponential histogram and deterministic waves window counters were initialized with an upper bound of 1000 events per milliseconds. Exponential histograms based algorithms (e.g., ESS-sketch) are better in this regards as they do not require this information at initialization time. The frequency of a transaction is considered 1, as it is associated with the packet. Note, the frequency of a single transaction need not necessarily be 1; it can be any arbitrary number including the number of bytes in the packet, as it does not affect the algorithms presented. Thus, both ESS and ECM sketches would estimate the number of packets sent by a machine with a unique IP address. We considered two variants of the proposed ESS-sketch, ESS(EH) and ESS(DW), distinguished by the type of window counter

used; and compared them against variants of the ECM-sketches, which we call ECM(EH) and ECM(DW).

Evaluation Criteria: The objective is to evaluate ESS and ECM sketches with respect to efficiency and effectiveness, scalability and suitability for centralized and distributed settings. To compare the efficiency and effectiveness of ESS and ECM sketches, we have considered different factors including memory usage, execution and query time and quality of the output in both centralized and distributed settings. The memory usage is compared using the maximum number of bytes used by the sketches during runtime in the centralized settings or transferred over the network in distributed settings. The quality of output is compared using estimation error in different queries.

Summary of the Results: Detail experimental analysis of the ESS-sketch shows that in both centralized and distributed settings, overall its memory has sub-linear growth with respect to both data size and time, which is a significant improvement for streaming data. The variants of ESS and ECM sketches that are based on exponential histograms are better due to lower space usage, and identical estimation error. In centralized setting, comparing ESS and ECM.

6.1 Evaluation in a Centralized Setting

In this set of experiments we explain results of the centralized settings, where a single machine observes the whole stream at a central point using ESS and ECM sketches. We have evaluated the sketches for various parameter settings, and illustrated the results against those settings. For ECM sketches, the parameter was set to 1, which corresponds to a probability of 99% accurate results. **Memory Usage:** In this section we explain the memory usage of ESS-sketches. Memory is one of the the critical resources for streaming applications, consequently, better sketches have lower memory usage. Although, we have given theoretical memory usage in terms of maximum number of buckets that ESS and ECM sketches can maintain (see Table 2), we are providing results of practical memory usage in terms of maximum actual bytes used. Figures 3a and 3b compares the memory usage of ESS and ECM for varying within the range of [0.001 to 0.017]. The difference between variants of ESS-sketch, that is, ESS(EH) and ESS(DW) is slight. Particularly, ESS(EH) has slightly lower memory usage than the ESS(DW). This can also be observed for the variants of ECM sketch. The memory usage of both ESS and ECM sketches decreases with larger values of . The difference between the memory usage for ESS and ECM sketches is substantial. ECM sketch uses higher memory compared to ESS-sketch. For instance, for = 0:003 the proposed ESS-sketch uses 8890512 bytes (or 8.5 MB) of memory while ECM sketch uses 64962149 bytes (or 62 MB) of memory. The average memory usage is illustrated in Figure 3c, which shows that on average, the memory usage of ESS-sketch is about seven times less than the memory usage of ECM-sketches. Such a significant memory reduction is clearly an important advantage of ESS-sketches over ECM-sketches.

Update and Query Performance: In this section, we explain the updates and queries performance of ESS- sketches. Like memory, execution time is also one of the critical resources for streaming applications. Theoretical update and

query complexities are given in Table 2. Here we provide the time required for the update and query observed in our experimental settings for $\epsilon = 0.001$.

Thus, we note that ESS-sketches have competitive update performance and have substantially better query performance compared to ECM-sketches. This can be very useful for the applications that have very fast query requirements.

Estimation Error: In this section we explain the average observed error in estimating the frequencies of items monitored in a centralized stream. In Section 4.2 we have provided theoretical analysis to demonstrate the theoretical upper bounds on estimation error, here we provide experimental estimation error for point, range and self-join queries.

6.2 Evaluation in a Distributed Setting

We have already studied the effect of on memory usage, update time and query time for both ESS and ECM sketch variants in a centralized setting. In this section, we evaluate ESS and ECM sketches in a distributed setting. Since variants of ESS and ECM sketches based on exponential histograms offer better performance, therefore, in a distributed setting we considered only exponential histograms based variants of ESS and ECM sketches.

7 Conclusions

The paper introduced efficient ESS-sketches for query estimation over sliding window data streams, both in centralized and distributed settings. Theoretical analysis is provided to highlight efficiency and effectiveness of ESS-sketches. Detailed experimental analysis of the ESS-sketch reveals that, for both centralized and distributed settings, its overall memory growth is sub-linear with respect to data size and length of sliding window, which is a significant improvement over existing techniques for streaming data. Comparative evaluation of ESS and ECM sketches in a centralized setting shows that ESS-sketches offer many advantages over ECM-sketches. For example, the proposed ESS-sketches has significantly lower memory (about six times less) and query time (about eight times less) requirements; ESS-sketches provide deterministic error guarantees and has about a similar update cost requirement both in theory and in practice. In distributed setting, the communication cost and merge time increases with the increase in network size (number of network nodes) for both ESS and ECM sketches; however, the increase in both cases (i.e., communication cost and merge time) for ECM sketch is much higher than the proposed ESS-sketch. In summary, although both sketches provide the same average estimation error, ESS-sketch outperforms ECM-sketch in terms of communication cost of distributed queries, e.g., transferred volume and merge time.

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