## Bloofi: A Hierarchical Bloom Filter Index with Applications to Distributed Data Provenance

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## Problem

- Federated cloud environment
- Semi-independent clouds
- Each cloud keeps control of its data
- Data needs to be shared on demand
- Given a set of sets (the clouds)
- Find all the sets (clouds) that contain a given element X

## Challenges

- Number of participants is high
- Broadcasting a query is expensive
- Processing each query at all locations is expensive
- Creating a global distributed index is not possible
  - Individual clouds maintain control of the data
  - Volume and rate of data insertion is high

## **Our Solution**

- Each cloud maintains a Bloom filter of its data
- Bloom filters shared with a central location
- Construct a Bloom Filter Index (Bloofi) at central location
- Queries are processed first at central location, and sent only to the clouds that (might) have the answer

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k hash functions with range [0, m-1]

Insert x: 
$$h_1(x) = 2$$
  
 $h_2(x) = 9$   
 $h_3(x) = 5$ 



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Query y: 
$$h_1(y) = 2$$
  
 $h_2(y) = 9$   
 $h_3(y) = 4$ 



#### **Bloom Filters Advantages**

- Compact representation of sets
- Efficient insertion and testing
- Probability of false negatives = 0
- Trade-off between size of filter and false positive probability





#### Each Bloom filter value represents the union of all subsets in the subtree => useful for pruning during search

Balanced tree

**Bloofi** Invariants

- Each non-root node has between *d* and 2*d* descendants
- Each node has 1 value









#### **Bloofi Properties**

- Search cost is O(d\*log<sub>d</sub>N) in general and O(N) in worst case
- Storage cost is O(N/d)
- Insert cost and delete cost are O(dlog<sub>d</sub>N)
- Update cost is O(log<sub>d</sub>N)

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#### **Distributed Data Provenance**



#### Why not distributed index of all data?

- Some sites want data locality
- Different storage solutions at each site
- All data not created equal, not all data should go to the "headquarters"

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#### **Experiments Set-up**

- Simulator written in Java
  - Uses open-source Bloom filter impl [Skjegstad]
- Experiments run on a Dell Latitude E6510
  2.76GHz Intel Core I7 CPU, 4 GB RAM
- Performance metrics:
  - Search cost nb Bloom filters searched to find *all* matches
  - Search time time to find *all matches*
  - Maintenance cost nb of nodes accessed during insert/delete/update
- Compare with "baseline" case no index



Parameter	Range of values	Default Value
N –Nb of Bloom filters	100-100,000	1000
d — Bloofi order	2-22	2
Bloom filter size (bits)	1000-1,000,000	100,992
Bloofi construction method	Iterative / bulk	Iterative
Similarity metric	Hamming/ Jaccard /Cosine	Hamming
Data distribution	Random/nonrandom	Nonrandom

#### Search Cost vs. N



## Search Time vs. N



#### Maintenance Cost vs. N



#### Search Cost vs. d



#### Search Cost vs. Filter Size



#### Search Time vs. Filter Size



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#### **Related Work**

- Bloom filters [Bloom70]
- Bloom filter variants [CM03, DR06, DBN12, Mitzenmacher01, SLP10]
- Bloom filter applications [FCB98, M90, BM02]
- B+trees
- Bitmap indexes [CI98]
- S-trees [Deppisch86]

## Conclusions

- Bloofi a hierarchical index structure for Bloom filters
  - Low search cost (O(N) worst case, O(logN) most cases)
  - Efficient construction and maintenance
  - Low storage cost
- Applications to cloud intelligence

## Future work

- Clustering Bloom filters as a routing problem
- Compression
- Consider different Bloom filter sizes at different levels



# Questions?