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Recall from last lecture:

Given (id, count) pairs  $(a_i, l_i)$  where  $a_i \in [m]$  for i = 1...n one at a time, we want to answer questions about stream, with limited space  $\mathcal{O}(poly \log(m, n))$  ideally.

We have seen

- Heavy Hitters: Count min sketch;
- Distinct elements problem.

### 1 Streaming

Let  $x_i = \sum_{j:i=a_j} l_j$  where  $l_j \ge 0$  indicate the final count for symbol *i* in a stream, we define the  $p^{th}$  frequency moment be  $F_p = \sum_{i \in [m]} x_i^p$ .

There are some classic problems related to specific  $p^{th}$  frequency moment, for example:

- p = 0: distinct element problem;
- p = 1: trivial (count elements problem);
- p = 2: measure of skewness.

If we want to get the explicit  $F_p$ , we will need at least linear space. In order to do it in log space, we have to sacrifice accuracy.

Let  $\hat{F}_p$  be an estimate of  $F_p$ , we want to find an  $\hat{F}_p$  which is a  $(1 \pm \epsilon)$  approximation to  $F_p$  with probability at least  $1 - \delta$ .

### **1.1 Second Frequency Moment** F<sub>2</sub> Estimation

Here we introduce Alon-Matias-Szegedy algorithm for approximate  $F_2$  in log space.

Algorithm 1 (Alon-Matias-Szegedy).

Input: number of symbols m, length of stream n, and the stream.

Output:  $\hat{F}_2$  (i.e. the estimate of  $F_2$ ).

- 1. Choose Rademacher random variables  $r_i$  i.i.d for each i = 1, ..., m, i.e.  $\Pr[r_i = \pm 1] = 1/2$ ;
- 2. Initialize Z = 0;
- 3. While processing the stream, for each pair  $(a_j, l_j)$ , update  $Z = Z + r_i l_j$  where  $i = a_j$ .
- 4. Output  $\hat{F}_2 = Z^2$ .

**Remark 2.** Using 4-wise independent random variables as  $r_i$ , we will need  $\mathcal{O}(\log m)$  space.

**Remark 3.** Updating Z during the process to maintain a partial sum of what we have seen so far, so we do not need to count every  $x_i = \sum_{j:i=a_i} l_j$  and store all of  $\{x_i | i = 1, ..., m\}$  in linear space.

**Example 4.** Assume m = 3,  $r_1 = 1$ ,  $r_2 = 1$ ,  $r_3 = -1$ , and stream is (3, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (1, 1)

$$F_2 = 4^2 + 2^2 + 1^2 = 21.$$
  
$$Z = \sum_{j=1}^n r_{a_j} l_j = 5, \text{ hence } \hat{F}_2 = Z^2 = 25.$$

Let us consider the expected value and variance of  $\hat{F}_2$ .

Claim 5.  $E[\hat{F}_2] = F_2$ .

*Proof.* Note that

$$E[r_i r_j] = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \tag{1}$$

then

$$\begin{split} E[\hat{F}_2] &= E[(\sum_{i,j:i=a_j} r_i l_j)^2] \\ &= E[(\sum_i r_i \sum_{j:i=a_j} l_j)^2] \\ &= E[(\sum_i r_i x_i)^2] \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i,j \leq m} x_i x_j E[r_i r_j] \\ &= \sum_i x_i^2 \\ &= F_2. \end{split}$$

Thus,  $\hat{F}_2$  is unbiased.

Claim 6. 
$$Var[\hat{F}_2] \le 2(\sum_i x_i^2)^2 = 2F_2^2$$
.

*Proof.* Note that

$$E[\hat{F}_2^2] = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if one symbol appears only once} \\ \sum_i x_i^4, & \text{if } i = j = k = l \\ 6 \sum_{i \neq j} x_i^2 x_j^2, & \text{if } i = j, k = l \text{ (or some other 2 pairs match)} \end{cases}$$
(2)

then

$$E[\hat{F}_{2}^{2}] = E[Z^{4}]$$
  
=  $\sum_{1 \le i,j,k,l \le m} x_{i}x_{j}x_{k}x_{l}E[r_{i}r_{j}r_{k}r_{l}]$   
=  $\sum_{i} x_{i}^{4} + 6\sum_{i \ne j} x_{i}^{2}x_{j}^{2}.$ 

 $\operatorname{So}$ 

$$\begin{split} Var[\hat{F}_{2}] &= E[\hat{F}_{2}^{\ 2}] - E[\hat{F}_{2}]^{2} \\ &= E[Z^{4}] - E[Z^{2}]^{2} \\ &= (\sum_{i} x_{i}^{4} + 6\sum_{i \neq j} x_{i}^{2} x_{j}^{2}) - (\sum_{i} x_{i}^{2})^{2} \\ &= \sum_{i} x_{i}^{4} + 6\sum_{i \neq j} x_{i}^{2} x_{j}^{2} - (\sum_{i} x_{i}^{4} + 2\sum_{i \neq j} x_{i}^{2} x_{j}^{2}) \\ &= 4\sum_{i \neq j} x_{i}^{2} x_{j}^{2} \\ &\leq 2(\sum_{i} x_{i}^{2})^{2} \\ &= 2(E[\hat{F}_{2}])^{2} \\ &= 2F_{2}^{2}. \end{split}$$

Hence, we have a bounded variance, which can be used in concentrating the mean by Chebyshev's inequality.

**Claim 7.**  $\Pr[\hat{F}_2 \in (1 \pm c\sqrt{2})F_2] \ge 1 - \frac{1}{c^2}.$ 

Proof. By Chebyshev's inequality,

$$Pr[|\hat{F}_2 - E[\hat{F}_2]| \ge c\sqrt{Var[\hat{F}_2]}] = Pr[|\hat{F}_2 - F_2| \ge c\sqrt{2}F_2]$$
$$\le \frac{1}{c^2}.$$

**Remark 8.** In order to further reduce the variance hence increase sufficiency, we could apply the idea of bootstrap aggregation to Algorithm 1:

- 1. Repeat the Alon-Matias-Szegedy algorithm k times in parallel to obtain  $\hat{F}_2^{(1)}, ..., \hat{F}_2^{(k)}$ ;
- 2. Output  $\hat{F_2}' = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=[k]} \hat{F_2}^{(i)}$ .

Let us look at the expected value and variance of  $\hat{F_2}'$  from the modified algorithm.

**Claim 9.**  $E[\hat{F_2}'] = F_2.$ 

Proof.

$$E[\hat{F_2}'] = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{E[\hat{F_2}^{(i)}]}{k}$$
  
=  $E[\hat{F_2}]$   
=  $F_2$ .

Thus,  $\hat{F_2}'$  is unbiased.

**Claim 10.**  $Var[\hat{F_2}'] = \frac{1}{k}Var[\hat{F_2}].$ 

Proof.

$$Var[\hat{F}_2'] = \frac{1}{k^2} k Var[\hat{F}_2]$$
$$= \frac{1}{k} Var[\hat{F}_2].$$

Here we can verify that  $\hat{F}_2'$  is a  $(1 \pm \epsilon)$  approximation to  $F_2$  with probability at least  $1 - \delta$  by Chernoff's inequality.

**Claim 11.**  $Pr[\hat{F_2}' \in (1 \pm \epsilon)F_2] \ge 1 - \delta.$ 

Proof. By Chernoff's inequality, we have

$$Pr[|\hat{F}_{2}' - F_{2}| \ge \epsilon F_{2}] \le \frac{Var[\hat{F}_{2}']}{\epsilon^{2}F_{2}^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{k}Var[\hat{F}_{2}]}{\epsilon^{2}F_{2}^{2}}.$$
(3)

Let  $k \in \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\delta \epsilon^2})$ , then equation 3 becomes

$$Pr[|\hat{F_2}' - F_2| \ge \epsilon F_2] \le \frac{\frac{1}{k} 2F_2^2}{\epsilon^2 F_2^2}$$
$$= \frac{\delta \epsilon^2}{\epsilon^2}$$
$$= \delta.$$

Hence,  $Pr[\hat{F}_2' \in (1 \pm \epsilon)F_2] \ge 1 - \delta.$ 

Claim 12. Remark 8 needs  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\delta\epsilon^2}(\log(m) + \log(n)))$  space.

**Observation 13.** Another view of this problem:

Let  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$  where  $\Pr[S_{ij} = \pm 1] = \frac{1}{2}$ , and let  $x = \sum_{j \in [n]} l_j \cdot e_j$  where  $l_j$  is the  $j^{th}$  element and it is from pair  $(a_j, l_j)$ , then  $\hat{F}_2 = Sx = [z_1, \dots, z_k]^\top$ .

We have

$$\hat{F}_{2}' = \frac{\sum_{j \in [k]} \hat{F}_{2}^{(j)}}{k} \\ = \frac{\sum_{j \in [k]} z_{j}^{2}}{k} \\ = \frac{\|Sx\|_{2}^{2}}{k} \\ = (1 \pm \epsilon) \|x\|_{2}^{2}.$$

Hence,  $\hat{F}_2$  could be approximated by calculating the L2-norm of x.

### 1.2 Dimension Reduction

Given t points  $x_1, ..., x_t \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , we want to reduce dimension to k where  $k \ll m$  while keeping the pairwise distance.

**Observation 14.** When t = 2, we have points  $x_1, x_2$  with dimension m, and  $Sx_1, Sx_2$  with dimension  $k = O(\frac{1}{\delta \epsilon^2})$ .

Then with probability at least  $1 - \delta$ , we have

$$\frac{\|Sx_1 - Sx_2\|_2^2}{k} = \frac{\|S(x_1 - x_2)\|_2^2}{k}$$
$$= (1 \pm \epsilon)\|x_1 - x_2\|_2^2.$$

**Observation 15.** For a general t, we have points  $x_1, ..., x_t$  with dimension m, and  $Sx_1, ..., Sx_t$  with dimension  $k = \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\delta\epsilon^2})$ .

Then with probability at least  $1 - \delta$ , for any  $Sx_i, Sx_j$  where  $1 \le i, j \le t$ , we have

$$||Sx_i, Sx_j||^2 = \frac{||S(x_i - x_j)||_2^2}{k}$$
  
  $\in (1 \pm \epsilon) ||x_i - x_j||_2^2$ 

where  $k = \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\delta\epsilon^2})$ , and  $\delta \leq \frac{\delta'}{\binom{t}{2}}$ , so  $k = \mathcal{O}(\frac{t^2}{\delta'\epsilon^2})$ .

However, k = t - 1 is trivial and exact, so this  $k = O(\frac{t^2}{\delta' \epsilon^2})$  blows up dimension instead of reducing dimension. In fact, we are able to approximate  $F_2$  in a much smaller dimension given the Johnson-Lindenstrauss Lemma.

**Lemma 16** (Johnson–Lindenstrauss Lemma). Given  $0 < \epsilon < 1$ , a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and a number  $k = \mathcal{O}(\frac{\log(\frac{1}{\delta})}{\epsilon^2})$ . Let  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$  where  $S_{ij} \sim N(0,1)$ , then we have  $\frac{\|Sx\|_2^2}{k} \approx (1 \pm \epsilon) \|x\|_2^2$ .

*Proof.* This proof is heavily related to Gaussian distribution, let us review some useful properties first.

Fact 17 (Gaussian distribution  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ). The probability distribution function is  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})$ . Properties:

1. If  $G_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2), G_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$ , then  $G_1 + G_2 \sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$ . 2. If  $G \sim N(0, 1)$ , then  $\sigma G \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ .

Define  $Y' = \frac{\|Sx\|_2^2}{k}$ . We want to obtain an expression of Gaussian distribution for it. Let us first focus on each element of vector Sx, denote as  $z_j$ , we have

$$z_{j} = [Sx]_{j}$$
  
=  $\sum_{i} x_{i}S_{ij}$   
=  $N(0, \sum_{i} x_{i}^{2})$   
=  $||x||_{2}^{2}N(0, 1).$ 

Then we can rewrite Y' as

$$Y' = \frac{\|Sx\|_{2}^{2}}{k}$$
  
=  $\frac{\sum z_{j}^{2}}{k}$   
=  $\frac{\sum (\|x\|_{2}G_{j})^{2}}{k}$   
=  $\|x\|_{2}^{2}\frac{\sum G_{j}^{2}}{k}$  (4)

where  $G_1, ..., G_m \sim N(0, 1)$  i.i.d..

By definition of Gaussian distribution, we have  $E[G_j^2] = Var[G_i] + E[G_j]^2 = 1$ , thus the expectation of Y' is

$$E[Y'] = \|x\|_2^2 E\left[\frac{\sum_j G_j^2}{k}\right]$$
$$= \|x\|_2^2.$$

Hence, the expectation of Y' is as desired. Next, let us prove Y' belongs to the  $\epsilon$ -bounds of  $||x||_2^2$ . Define  $Y = \frac{\sum G_j^2}{k}$ , we want to prove  $Y \in (1 \pm \epsilon)$  with probability  $1 - \delta$ . Using Chernoff bound,

$$\Pr[Y \ge 1 + \epsilon] = \Pr[e^{tkY} \ge e^{tk(1+\epsilon)}]$$

$$\leq \frac{E[e^{tkY}]}{e^{tk(1+\epsilon)}}$$

$$= \prod_{i \in [k]} \left(\frac{E[e^{tG_j^2}]}{e^{t(1+\epsilon)}}\right).$$
(5)

Calculate the expected value of  $e^{tG_j^2}$  as

$$E[e^{tG_{j}^{2}}] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{tu^{2}} e^{-\frac{u^{2}}{2}} du$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2t}}$  (6)

for  $t < \frac{1}{2}$ .

Substitute equation 6 into equation 5:

$$\Pr[Y \ge 1 + \epsilon] \le \prod_{i \in [k]} \left( \frac{E[e^{tG_j^2}]}{e^{t(1+\epsilon)}} \right)$$
$$= \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2t}}}{e^t e^{t\epsilon}} \right)^k$$
$$\le \left( \frac{1}{e^t \sqrt{1-2t}} \right)^k \frac{1}{e^{t\epsilon k}}.$$
(7)

We can rewrite  $\frac{1}{e^t\sqrt{1-2t}}$  as an exponential expression

$$\frac{1}{e^t \sqrt{1-2t}} = e^{-t - \frac{1}{2}\log(1-2t)}$$

$$= \exp(t^2 + \mathcal{O}(t^3)).$$
(8)

Let  $t = \Theta(\epsilon)$ , and substitute equation 8 into equation 7:

$$\Pr[Y \ge 1 + \epsilon] \le \left(\frac{1}{e^t \sqrt{1 - 2t}}\right)^k \frac{1}{e^{t\epsilon k}}$$

$$\le \exp(kt^2 + \mathcal{O}(t^3k) - t\epsilon k)$$

$$\le \exp(-\Theta(k\epsilon^2)).$$
(9)

By symmetry, we know  $\Pr[Y \notin 1 \pm \epsilon] \le 2 \exp(-\Theta(k\epsilon^2))$ . Hence, substituting (4) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[Y' \in (1 \pm \epsilon) \|x\|_{2}^{2}] &= \Pr[\|x\|_{2}^{2} \frac{\sum G_{j}^{2}}{k} \in (1 \pm \epsilon) \|x\|_{2}^{2}] \\ &= \Pr\left[\frac{\sum G_{j}^{2}}{k} \in (1 \pm \epsilon)\right] \\ &\geq 1 - 2\exp(-\Theta(k\epsilon^{2})). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $k = \mathcal{O}(\frac{\log(\frac{1}{\delta})}{\epsilon^2})$ , we have  $\Pr[Y' \in (1 \pm \epsilon) \|x\|_2^2] \ge 1 - \delta$  as desired.

**Corollary 18.** Let  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$  be a matrix, where each element  $S_{ij} \sim N(0,1)$ , then

for any 
$$\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^m$$
,  $\Pr\left[\left\|\frac{S\vec{x}_i - S\vec{x}_j}{\sqrt{k}}\right\|_2^2 = (1 \pm \epsilon) \cdot \|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j\|_2^2\right] = 1 - \delta$ 

for all points simultaneously if  $k \geq \mathcal{O}(\frac{\log(t/\delta)}{\epsilon^2})$ .

There is another way to view the Johnson–Lindenstrauss Lemma, we could consider numbermedians and distribution-medians instead.

Claim 19. Given  $S_{ij} \sim N(0,1), Sx = [z_1, \ldots, z_k]^{\top}$  where k is a constant, and  $z_j \sim N(0, ||x||_2^2)$ , then  $\hat{F}_2' = \frac{z_1^2 + \ldots + z_k^2}{k} \to ||x||_2^2$ .

*Proof.* In this proof, we need to use the relationships between the cumulative distribution function (CDF) and the median of a distribution. First, we introduce Lemma 20 and 21 to help complete this proof.

**Lemma 20.** Let  $u_1, ..., u_k$  be i.i.d. random variables with cumulative distribution function F and median m. Let  $u = median(u_i, ..., u_k)$ , then

$$\Pr\left[F(u) = \left(\frac{1}{2} \pm \epsilon\right)\right] \ge 1 - \exp(-\Theta(\epsilon^2 k)).$$

*Proof.* Let event  $E_i$  represent  $F(u_i) < \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon$ , then  $\Pr[E_i] = \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon$ . We have  $F(u) < \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon$  if and only if more than  $\frac{k}{2}$  of  $E_i$ 's hold.

Using Chernoff bound,

$$\Pr[F(u) < \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon] \approx \exp(-\Theta(\epsilon^2 k)).$$

Symmetrically,

$$\Pr\left[F(u) = \left(\frac{1}{2} \pm \epsilon\right)\right] \ge 1 - \exp(-\Theta(\epsilon^2 k)).$$

**Lemma 21.** Let F be the CDF of |G| where  $G \sim N(0,1)$ . If  $F(z) = \frac{1}{2} \pm \epsilon$ , then  $z \in median(|G|) \pm \Theta(\epsilon)$ .

Then we start the formal proof. Define

$$\hat{F}_2 = \frac{number - median(|z_1|, \dots, |z_k|)}{distribution - median(|G|)}, G \sim N(0, 1).$$

$$(10)$$

Since  $|z_j| = ||x||_2 |G_j|, G_j \sim N(0, 1)$ , equation 10 could be written as

$$\hat{F}_2 = \|x\|_2 \frac{median(|G_1|, ..., |G_k|)}{median(|G|)}.$$
(11)



Let  $u = median(|G_1|, ..., |G_k|)$ , apply Lemma 20 to get  $F(u) = \frac{1}{2} \pm \epsilon$  with high probability. Then from Lemma 21, we have  $u \in median(|G|) \pm \Theta(\epsilon)$ .

Substitute the result to equation 11:

$$Y = \|x\|_2 \frac{median(|G_1|, ..., |G_k|)}{median(|G|)}$$
$$= \|x\|_2 \frac{median(|G|) \pm \Theta(\epsilon))}{median(|G|)}$$
$$= \|x\|_2 \left(1 \pm \Theta\left(\frac{\epsilon}{median(|G|)}\right)\right)$$
$$= \|x\|_2 (1 \pm \epsilon).$$

**Definition 22.** Distance D is p-stable if for i = 1...k, each  $D_i \sim D$  satisfies  $\sum_i x_i D_i \sim ||x||_p D$ where  $x = [x_1, \ldots, x_k]^\top$  and  $x_1, \ldots, x_k \in R$ . Note that this property only holds for  $p \in (0, 2]$ .

**Remark 23.**  $\hat{F}_p \in (1 \pm \epsilon)F_p$  for  $p \in (0,2]$  with  $\mathcal{O}(poly\log(m,n))$  space.

# **1.3** Generalized Frequency Moment $F_p$ Estimation

In this section, we will talk about estimating the generalized frequency moment  $F_p$ .

First, let us look at an algorithm which will go through the entire streaming two times while estimating  $F_p$ .

Algorithm 24 (2 Pass).

- 1. In the first pass, pick  $j \in [1, n]$  uniformly at random, wait until observe  $i = a_j$ ;
- 2. In the second pass, compute  $x_i =$  number of times item with label i is seen;

3. Return  $\hat{F}_p = nx_i^{p-1}$ .

Let us discuss the expected value and variance of  $\hat{F}_p$  from the above algorithm.

**Claim 25.**  $E[\hat{F}_p] = F_p$ .

Proof.

$$E[\hat{F}_p] = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{n} (nx_i^{p-1})$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^m x_i^p$$
$$= F_p.$$

Thus,  $\hat{F}_p$  is unbiased.

Claim 26.  $Var[\hat{F}_p] = nF_{2p-1}$ .

Proof.

$$Var[\hat{F}_{p}] \le E[\hat{F}_{p}^{2}]$$
  
=  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{x_{i}}{n} (nx_{i}^{p-1})^{2}$   
=  $nF_{2p-1}$ .

Hence, we have bounded the variance, which can be used in concentrating the mean by Chebyshev's inequality.  $\hfill \Box$ 

Claim 27.  $nF_{2p-1} \leq m^{1-\frac{1}{p}}(F_p)^2$ . Claim 28. This algorithm is  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{m^{1-\frac{1}{p}}}{\epsilon^2})$  sufficient.

Proof. Using Chebyshev's inequality,

$$\Pr\left[\frac{|\hat{F}_p - F_p|}{F_p} > \epsilon\right] = \Pr[|\hat{F}_p - F_p| > \epsilon F_p]$$
$$\leq \frac{Var[\hat{F}_p]}{\epsilon^2 F_p^2}$$
$$\leq \frac{m^{1-\frac{1}{p}}}{\epsilon^2}.$$

The 2 pass algorithm above can also be performed in the same pass, at the cost of accuracy.

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# Algorithm 29 (1 Pass).

- 1. Pick  $j \in [1, n]$  uniformly at random, wait until observe  $i = a_j$ ;
- 2. In the rest of the pass, compute  $x'_i$  = number of times label i is seen after  $a_j$  (inclusive);
- 3. Return  $\hat{F_p}' = n(x_i'^p (x_i' 1)^p).$

Again, we will take a look at its expected value and variance.

Claim 30.  $E[\hat{F_p}'] = \sum_{i=1}^m x_i^p$ 

Proof.

$$E[\hat{F}_{p}'] = nE[x_{i}'^{p} - (x_{i}' - 1)^{p}]$$
  
=  $n\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{m}\sum_{l=1}^{x_{i}}(l^{p} - (l-1)^{p})$   
=  $\sum_{i=1}^{m}x_{i}^{p}$   
=  $F_{p}$ .

 $\hat{F_p}' = n(x_i'^p - (x_i' - 1)^p) \\ \leq np(x_i')^{p-1} \\ \leq p(nx_i^{p-1})$ 

 $Var[\hat{F_p}'] \le p^2 Var[\hat{F_p}]$ 

 $\leq p^2 m^{1-\frac{1}{p}} F_p^2.$ 

 $= p\hat{F}_p,$ 

Thus,  $\hat{F_2}'$  is unbiased.

Claim 31.  $Var[\hat{F_p}'] \leq p^2 Var[\hat{F_p}]$ 

Proof. Since

we have

Claim 32. This algorithm is  $\mathcal{O}(p^2 \frac{m^{1-\frac{1}{p}}}{\epsilon^2})$  sufficient.

*Proof.* See Proof for Claim 28.