Scalable and Reliable Searching in Unstructured Peer-to-Peer Systems

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Motivation: Unstructured P2P File-Sharing Systems



Peers form a network with the purpose of sharing files

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Unstructured: Overlay graph may be arbitrary

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If the query fails, the peer does not retrieve the file



Query propagation (search) mechanisms that are both

- scalable and
- reliable.

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Challenges: Cope with

- Arbitrary topology
- Churn

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Related Work

Proposed Search Mechanisms

- Random Walk [Lv et al., 2002, Gkantsidis et al., 2004]
- Expanding Ring [Tewari and Kleinrock, 2006, Lv et al., 2002]
- k-Parallel walks [Lv et al., 2002]
- Random walk with look-ahead [Gkantsidis et al., 2005, Puttaswamy et al., 2008]
- Budget-based forwarding [Terpstra et al., 2007, Gkantsidis et al., 2005]
- Proactive replication [Cohen and Shenker, 2002, Tewari and Kleinrock, 2006]

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Related Work

Models:

- No overlay graph (Uniform sampling)
 [Lv et al., 2002, Cohen and Shenker, 2002, Terpstra et al., 2007]
- Static random graph (no churn) [Gkantsidis et al., 2004, Puttaswamy et al., 2008]
- Markovian graph models, but no search mechanisms [Law and Siu, 2003, Ganesh et al., 2007, Feder et al., 2006, Mahlmann and Schindelhauer, 2005]

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- 3. We propose a mechanism that is both scalable and reliable.

Outline

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Main Results

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Overlay graph: d-regular

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 - A file might be requested often but rarely be in the system, and vice-versa

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Churn Process



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Exponential lifetimes, mean $1/\mu$

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Each departing peer is immediately replaced

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System size is fixed

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File Request and File Publishing



Single file case.

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File Request and File Publishing



Incoming peer brings the file with probability q_n .

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 q_n, p_n

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File Request and File Publishing



Expected number of peers bringing (requesting) file is nq_n (np_n).

Churn Process File Request and Publishing Process **Overlay Graph** Query Propagation Mechanism

Overlay Graph



 $\{G(t)\}_{t\in\mathbb{N}}$

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G(t): overlay graph at *t*-th departure/arrival epoch.

Churn Process File Request and Publishing Process **Overlay Graph** Query Propagation Mechanism

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Overlay Graph



For all $t \ge 0, G(t)$ is *d*-regular graph with *n* vertices.

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Overlay Graph



 $\{G(t)\}_{t\in\mathbb{N}}$ is a Markov chain with state space $\mathbb{S}_{n,d} \subseteq \mathbb{G}_{n,d}$.

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Random Walk with TTL_n



Query header initialized to TTL_n
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Random Walk with TTL_n



Header decremented with each hop

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Random Walk with TTL_n



Query propagated until either file located or header is zero

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Scalability and Reliability

Denote by

- ρ_n : the average traffic load per peer
- γ_n : the query success rate.

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Scalability and Reliability

Definition

We will say that a search mechanism is scalable if,

$$\rho_n=O(1)\,,$$

for all p_n, q_n .

I.e., the average load per peer ρ_n stays bounded as the system size n increases.

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We will say that a search mechanism is reliable if

$$\text{if } q_n = \omega \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \text{ then } \lim_{n \to \infty} \gamma_n = 1,$$

for all p_n .

l.e., if $\omega(1)$ peers bring the file, in expectation, almost all queries are guaranteed to succeed (asymptotically).

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Same result holds for expanding ring.

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Solution

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- A: Use failed queries.

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Absence of Evidence as Evidence of Absence



Suppose that a query fails to locate the file

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Store this information

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Share it the same way as files

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What is the average traffic load per peer? What about false negatives?

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Scalability

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Assume that a graph sampled from the stationary distribution of $\{G(t)\}_{t\in\mathbb{N}}$ is an expander w.h.p. Then, the average traffic load per peer generated by a random walk with $\mathrm{TTL}_n = \Theta(n)$ that uses evidence of absence is

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- Proved using bounds on hitting times of r.w. by Aldous and Fill.

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Expander Graphs

Known Markov chains $\{G(t)\}_{t\in\mathbb{N}}$ with stationary distribution uniform over

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Any distribution that is "almost uniform" over $\mathbb{G}_{n,d}$ will yield an expander

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- Proved using fluid limit method by Benaïm and Le Boudec [2008].

Simulation Setup Simulation Results

Simulation Setup

- ▶ Law and Siu [2003] peer-to-peer system (Markov Chain over Mℍ_{n,d}).
- $\frac{1}{\mu} = 20$ min.
- Arrival rate $n \cdot \mu$, n = 10 thousand to half a million.
- Degree 16.

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Simulation Setup Simulation Results

Random Walk Without Evidence of Absense

Traffic load and success rate of (traditional) random walk with TTL_n



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Simulation Setup Simulation Results

Random Walk Using Evidence of Absence -I

Traffic loads for data items brought in the system with publishing probabilities $q_n = 1000/n$ and $q_n = 1000^2/n^2$.



Simulation Setup Simulation Results

Random Walk Using Evidence of Absence -II

Success rates for data items brought in the system with publishing probabilities $q_n = 1000/n$ and $q_n = 1000^2/n^2$.



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Simulation Setup Simulation Results

System Dynamics

System evolution for p = 0.8, q = 0.1, n = 10,000



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Conclusions and Future Work

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Expanders and Random Walks More Modelling Details Hybrid System References

Case Study: Gnutella

Measurement studies:

- Ripeanu et al. [2002]
- Saroiu et al. [2002]
- Rasti et al. [2006]
- Li and Chen [2008]
- Stutzbach et al. [2008]
- Acosta and Chandra [2008]

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Case Study: Gnutella Overlay





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- 2 tier-system (original version was flat)
- Ultra-peers know all the files shared by their leaves.
- Search happens on the ultra-peer level.

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- Ultra-peers connects to at most 32 other ultrapeers (Limewire, Bearshare).
- Each ultrapeer peer maintains at most 30 leaves in Limewire 45 in Bearshare.
- Each leaf connects to at most 3 ultrapeers.

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Figure source: Stutzbach et al. [2008]

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Broken connections are replaced by cache, obtained by:

- Observing passing traffic
- Explicit cache exchanges with other users

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Ultra Peer Leaf Peer

Figure source: Stutzbach et al. [2008]

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Incoming peers use

- Caches from previous sessions
- Active probing
- Bootstrapping through a server or designated users.

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 - Chawathe et al. [2003], Gkantsidis et al. [2005]:
 - Biased/adaptive search strategies.

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Graph Properties: Growth, Oct 2004 - Jan 2006



Figure source: Rasti et al. [2006]

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Graph Properties: Degree Distribution



Total Nodes	Ultra-Peers
725,120	110,208
779,535	116,967
806,948	120,229
1,031,471	158,345
	Total Nodes 725,120 779,535 806,948 1,031,471

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Figure and data source: Stutzbach et al. [2008].

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Popularity \neq Availability

Acosta and Chandra [2008]:

- There is no correlation betweent the popularity of a file and its availability in the system.
- ▶ 44.5% to 55.6% of queries cannot be matched to any file.

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Edge Expansion Ratio



Let G be an undirected graph with vertex set V and edge set E.

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Edge Expansion Ratio



For $A \subset V$, the boundary of A is

$$\partial A = \{(i,j) \in E \mid i \in A \text{ and } j \in A^c\},\$$

where $A^c = V \setminus A$

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Edge Expansion Ratio



The edge expansion ratio h of G (Hoory et al. [2006]) is:

$$h = \min_{A \subset V, |A| \le \frac{|V|}{2}} \frac{|\partial A|}{|A|}$$

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Expander Graphs: Definition 1



Let $\{G_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ be a sequence of graphs of increasing size, where G_n has size n.

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Expander Graphs: Definition 1



Assume that the graph sequence $\{G_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ is of bounded degree.

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Expander Graphs: Definition 1



Let $\{h_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ be the corresponding sequence of expansion ratios.

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Expander Graphs: Definition 1



 $\exists \varepsilon > 0 \text{ such that, } \forall n \ge n_0, \ h_n \ge \varepsilon$

Sequence $\{G_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ is called an expander family if $\{h_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ is bounded away from zero.

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Intuition: Many Outgoing Edges



 $h_n|A| \leq |\partial A| \leq d|A|$

for all sets $A \subset V_n$ with $|A| \leq |n|/2$.

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Non-examples



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Expansion and Random Walks



Random walk message propagation: forward a message to a neighbor chosen uniformly at random.

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Expansion and Random Walks



- Discrete time: each forwarding takes 1 time unit.
- Continuous time: each forwarding is exponentially distributed with mean 1 time unit.

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Expansion and Random Walks



Let X(t), $t \ge 0$, be the position of the message at time $t \ge 0$.

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Expansion and Random Walks



X(t) is a Markov chain (Markov process in continuous time) with state space V and transition probabilities

$$P_{ij} = egin{cases} rac{1}{d_i}, & ext{if } i ext{ is connected to } j \ 0, & ext{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

where d_i the degree of vertex i.

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$$\pi_j = \lim_{t \to \infty} \mathbf{P}_i(X(t) = j) = \frac{d_j}{\sum_k d_k} \text{ a.s.}$$

▶ Discrete time: *G* connected, non-bipartite.

Continuous time: G connected.

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Expansion and Random Walks



If G is regular $(d_i = d \text{ for all } i \text{ in } V)$ then

$$\pi_j = \lim_{t \to \infty} \mathbf{P}_i(X(t) = j) = \frac{1}{|V|} \text{ a.s.}$$

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Expansion and Random Walks



The relaxation time τ of G (Aldous and Fill) is

$$\tau = \frac{1}{1 - \lambda_2}$$

where λ_2 the second largest eigenvalue of the transition probability matrix $[P_{ij}]$.

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Expansion and Relaxation Time

The edge expansion ratio and the relaxation time are related as follows [Chung, 1997, Hoory et al., 2006]:

$$d_{\min}rac{1}{2 au} \leq h \leq d_{\max}\sqrt{rac{2}{ au}},$$

where

$$d_{\max} = \max_{i \in V} d_i, \qquad d_{\min} = \min_{i \in V} d_i$$

the maximum and minimum degrees of the graph, respectively.

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Expander Graphs: Definition 2



Let $\{G_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ be a bounded-degree sequence, and $\{\tau_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ the corresponding relaxation time sequence.

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Expander Graphs: Definition 2



 $\exists M < \infty \text{ such that}, \forall n \geq n_0, \tau_n \leq M$

Sequence $\{G_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ is an expander family iff $\{\tau_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ is bounded.
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Intuition 2: The Random Walk Mixes Fast



Consider the continuous-time random walk (jumps exponential with mean one).

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Denote with $\mathbf{P}_i(X(t) = j)$ the probability the random walk is at vertex j at time t, given that it started at vertex i.

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The relaxation time relates to how fast the random walk converges to the steady state distribution.

$$d(t) = \inf_{t} \{t : \max_{j} |\mathbf{P}_{i}(X_{t} = j) - \pi_{j}| < \epsilon\} = O(\tau_{n} \log n)$$

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Hitting Time (Aldous and Fill)



Let $A_n \subseteq V_n$ be a subset of V_n .

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Let

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be the time it takes the random walk to hit set A_n .

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Hitting Time (Aldous and Fill)



If the random walk starts uniformly outside A_n :

$$c^{-2}\frac{n}{|A_n|} - c^{-1} \leq \mathbb{E}_{u_{A_n}c}[T_{A_n}] \leq c^2 \frac{\tau_n n}{|A_n|}$$

where $c = d_{\max}/d_{\min}$.

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Hitting Time (Aldous and Fill)



If $\{G_n\}_{n \ge n_0}$ is an expander family then

$$\mathbb{E}_{u_{A_n^c}}[T_{A_n}] = \Theta\left(\frac{n}{|A_n|}\right) = \Theta\left(\mathbb{E}[T_{A_n}^u]\right)$$

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Hitting Time (Aldous and Fill)

For continuous-time random walk, G_n regular:

$$\left(1-\frac{2|A|\bar{\tau}_n}{n}\right)e^{-\frac{2|A|t}{n}} \leq \mathsf{P}_{u_{A^c}}(T_A > t) \leq e^{-\frac{|A|t}{n\bar{\tau}_n}}$$

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We say that u_n is *contiguous* to ν_n if, for all $A_n \subseteq \mathbb{G}_{n,d}$,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} u_n(A_n) = 1 \quad \text{iff} \quad \lim_{n\to\infty} \nu_n(A_n) = 1.$$

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Intuition: If the distribution is not almost uniform, then the overlay graph exhibits a certain structure.

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The multi-graph consists of *d* superimposed Hamiltonian cycles

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For d > 5 The resulting graph is an expander w.h.p.

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Query header initialized to 1

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Query forwarded to all neighbours until it expires

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Process repeated with higher header value until either file located or initial value exceeds TTL_n

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For both random walk and expanding ring, TTL_n is the maximum possible hop radius

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Overlay Graph: Churn-Driven Markov Chain



 $\{G(t)\}_{t\in\mathbb{N}}$

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G(t): overlay graph at *t*-th departure/arrival epoch.

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Overlay Graph: Churn-Driven Markov Chain



For all $t \ge 0, G(t)$ is *d*-regular graph with *n* vertices.

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Transition from G(t) to G(t + 1) depends on which peer is being replaced

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Overlay Graph: Churn-Driven Markov Chain



 $\{G(t)\}_{t\in\mathbb{N}}$ is a Markov chain with state space $\mathbb{S}_{n,d} \subseteq \mathbb{G}_{n,d}$.

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Question: Is it possible to bound both

- the average traffic load per peer ρ_n?
- the server traffic load ρ_n^0 ?

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Hybrid System: Random Walk with $TTL_n = \Theta(n)$

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Worst-case response time is linear in n

Theorem

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Numerical Studies

Simulation Setup

Simulations of Law and Siu [2003] peer-to-peer system:

- $\frac{1}{\mu} = 20$ min.
- Arrival rate $n \cdot \mu$, n = 10 thousand to half a million.
- δ = 20msec.
- ► $\mathrm{TTL}_n = n\delta$.
- ▶ Degree 16.

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Numerical Studies

Load per peer ρ for popular items ($p = \omega (1/n)$).



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Load per peer ρ for unpopular items (p = O(1/n)).



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Server load ρ_0 for popular items $(p = \omega (1/n))$

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Server load ρ_0 for popular items $(p = \omega (1/n))$

We saw none!!!!

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Theoretical bound: $ho_0 \sim 10^{-120}$

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Delay for popular items $(p = \omega (1/n))$.



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