

# Test 2: Streaming, Dimensionality Reduction, Noise, Graphs

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This real test will allow one  $8 \times 11.5$  inch notes sheet, front and back. Electronic devices that can transmit/receive information will **not** be allowed (e.g., computers, phones, calculators, ipads). Unlimited blank scratch paper is allowed.

Absolutely no talking will be allowed, unless a TA or instructor is present and you are asking a question. Talking students will have their tests confiscated.

Show your work to have an increased chance for partial credit.

## 1 Outliers (10 points)

**A: (10 points)** Let  $X \in \mathbb{R}^2$  be some data you want to find  $k$  clusters from using distance function  $D : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ .

Describe a way to find outliers.

Draw a pictorial example of how this might work.

## 2 Streaming (25 points)

**A: (10 points)** Describe why algorithms we discussed in class for betweenness of a graph, for PageRank using the power iteration, and Distance Metric Learning are difficult to operate in a stream.

*(I am looking for a very short discussion about the streaming model – what is it – and what aspect of these algorithms do not align with that model. You do **not** need a separate answer for each algorithm.)*

**B: (15 points)** Consider the Misra-Gries algorithm with 3 counters and labels. Consider part way through the stream it has the following state:

labels	a	c	w
counters	32	1	7

Let the next 3 elements of the stream be  $\langle a, b, g \rangle$ . Show the state of the 3 labels and counters of the Misra-Gries algorithm after processing each of those items.



## 4 Dimensionality Reduction (40 points)

Consider a single data point  $a = (10, 0, 0, -2)$  in 4 dimensions.

Let  $u_1 = (\frac{1}{2}, 0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2})$  and  $u_2 = (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{2})$  be basis vectors.

**A: (10 points)** Which of  $a$ ,  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  are unit vectors? Explain why.

**B: (5 points)** Are  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  orthogonal? Explain why.

**C: (15 points)** Show how to project  $a$  to a two-dimensional space spanned by  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ . That is, write the two coordinates of  $a$  in this new two-dimensional space (show your work).

**D: (5 points)** Calculate the  $L_2$  norm of the new 2-dimensional vector (show your work).

**E: (5 points)** Can the  $L_2$  norm of vector ever be larger after a projection using two orthogonal unit vectors? If so, provide an example.