

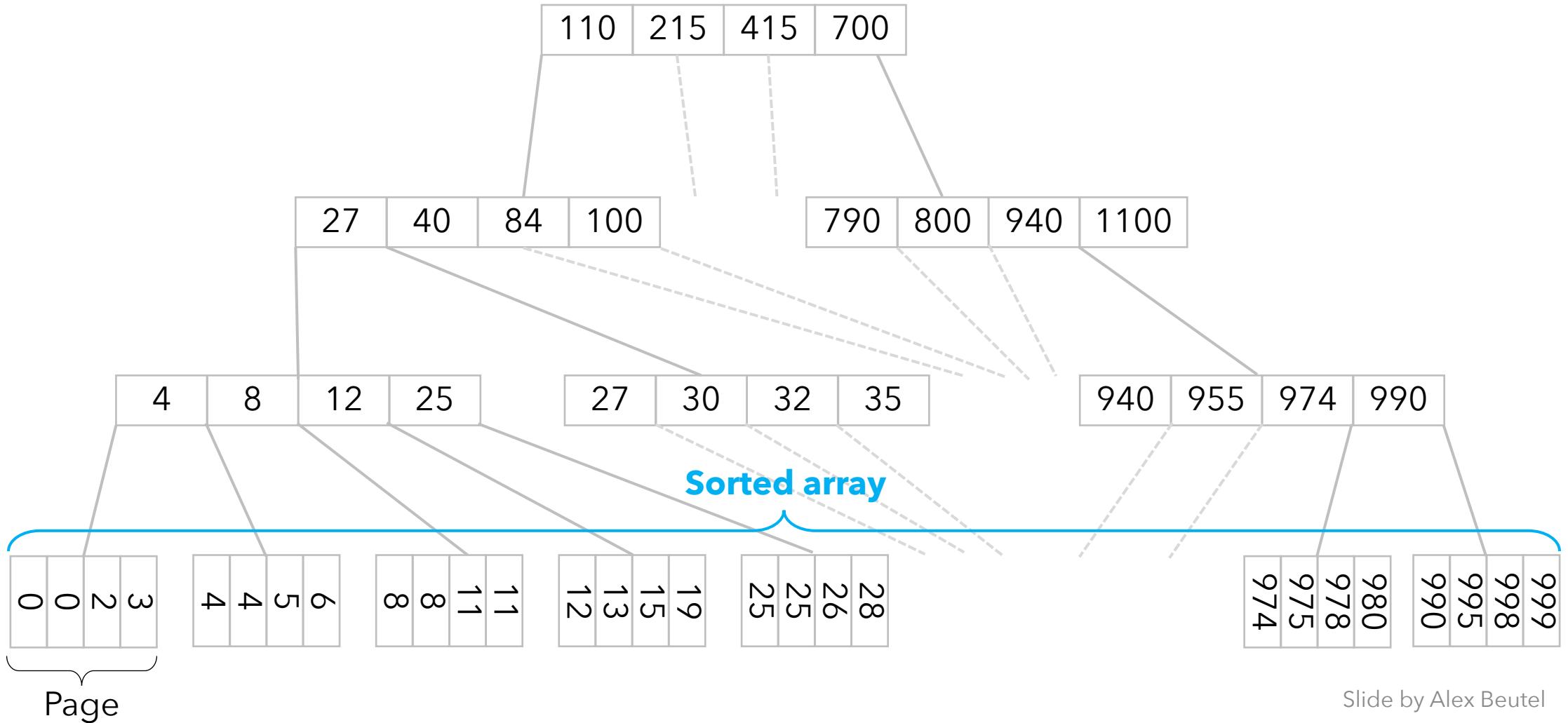
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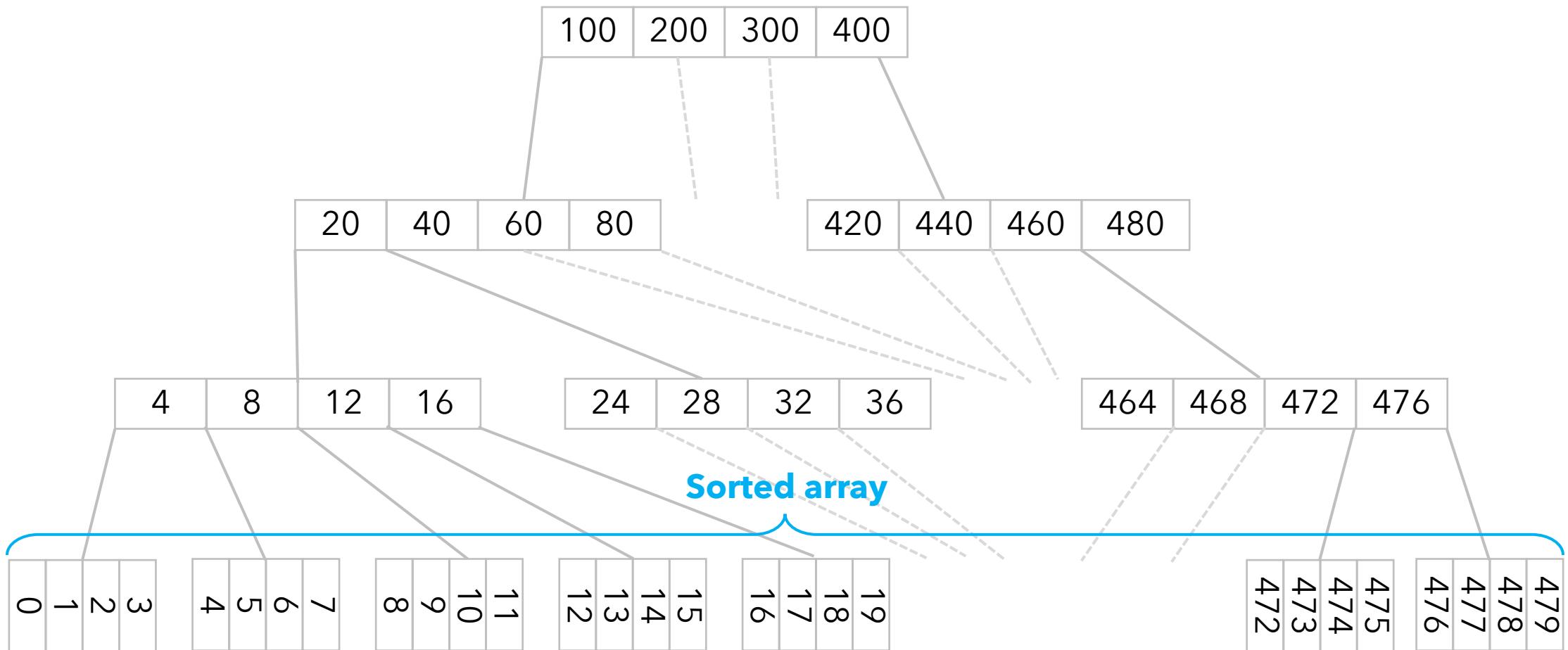
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B-trees



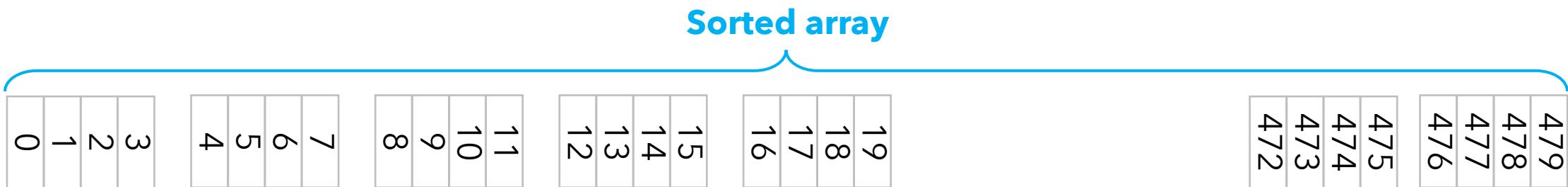
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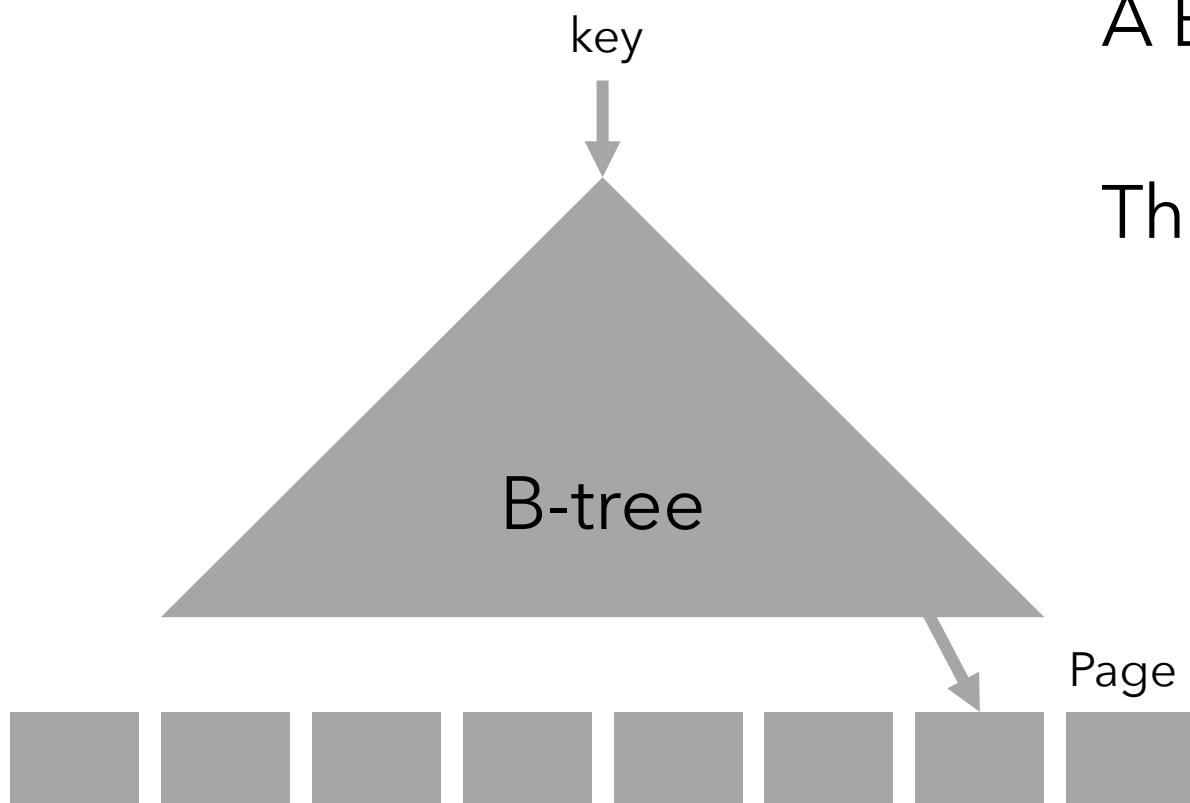
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No need for B-tree

- $O(1)$ look-up
- $O(1)$ memory



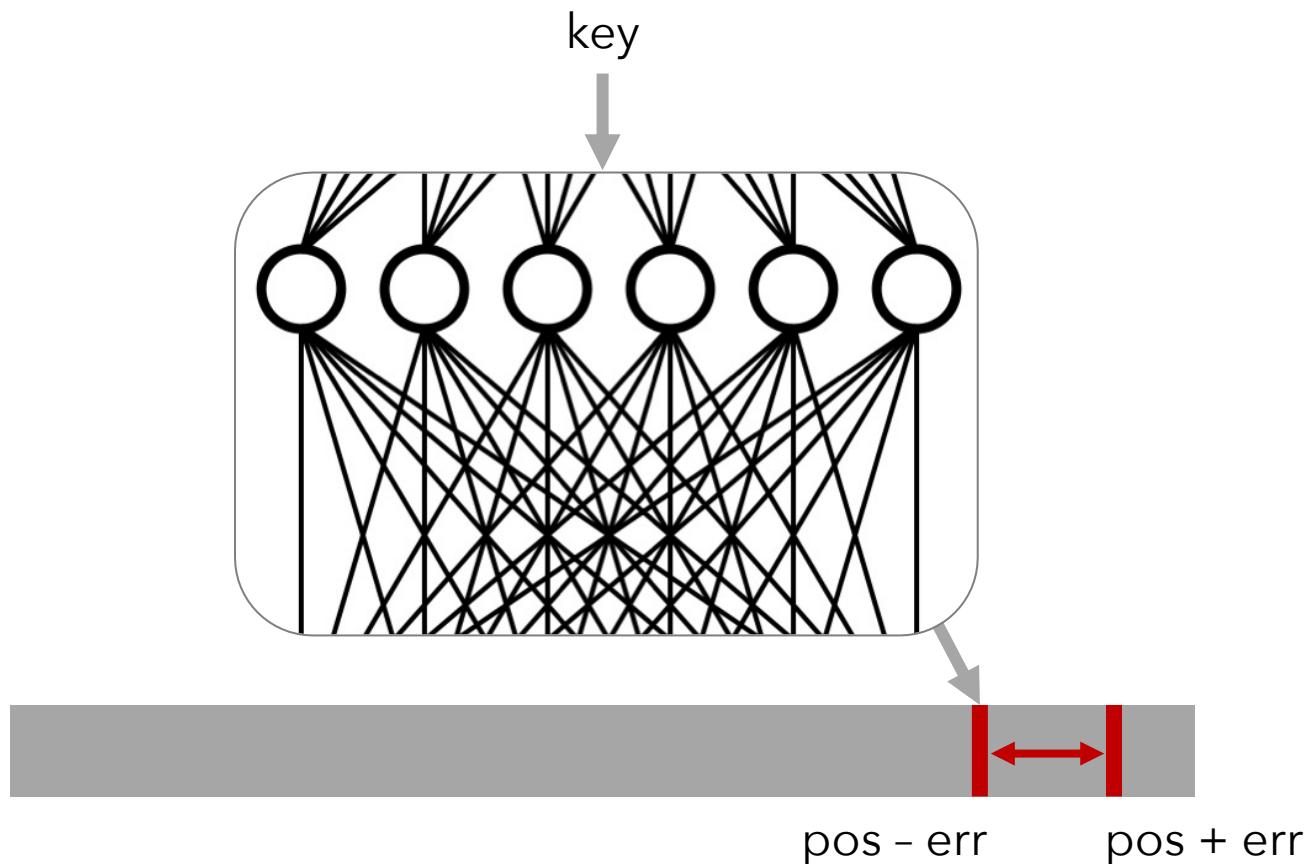
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A B-tree maps a key to a page

Then searches within the page

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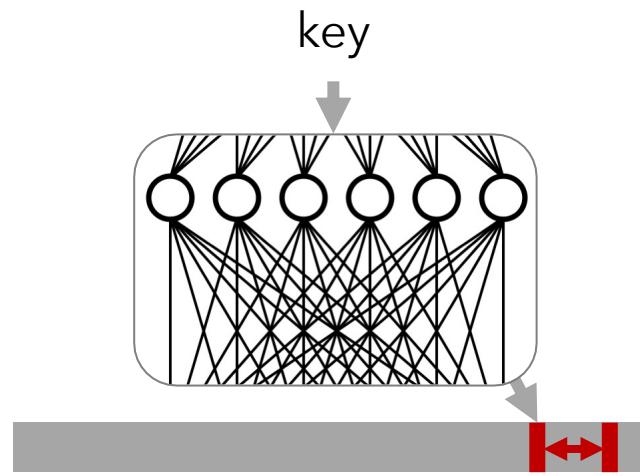


Replace B-tree
with **neural network?**

Model: $f(\text{key}) \rightarrow \text{pos}$

Then searches from
[$\text{pos} - \text{err}$, $\text{pos} + \text{err}$]

First attempt



200M serve logs timestamp sorted

2-layer NN, 32-width fully-connected, ReLU
Tensorflow

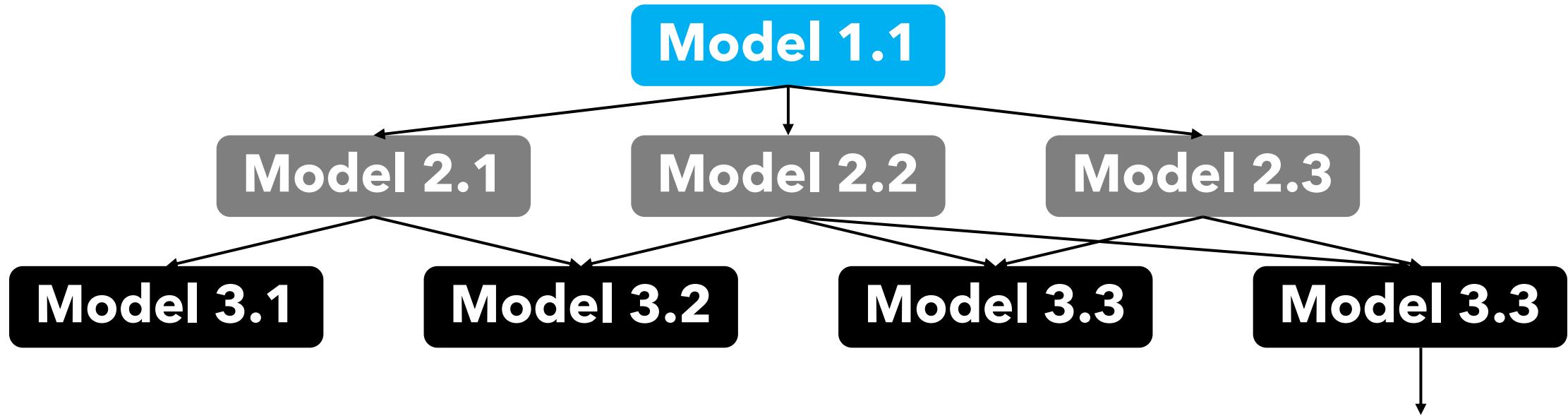
B-trees lookup time: 300ns

Model lookup time: 80,000ns

First attempt: key issues

- 1 Tensorflow designed for **big models**
Big **overhead** on small models
- 2 B-Trees “**overfit**” the data...
but NNs designed for **generalization**
- 3 B-trees are **cache-** and **operation-efficient**

Revised approach: Hierarchy of experts



Experiments:

- Up to 70% speed optimization
- Order-of-magnitude memory savings

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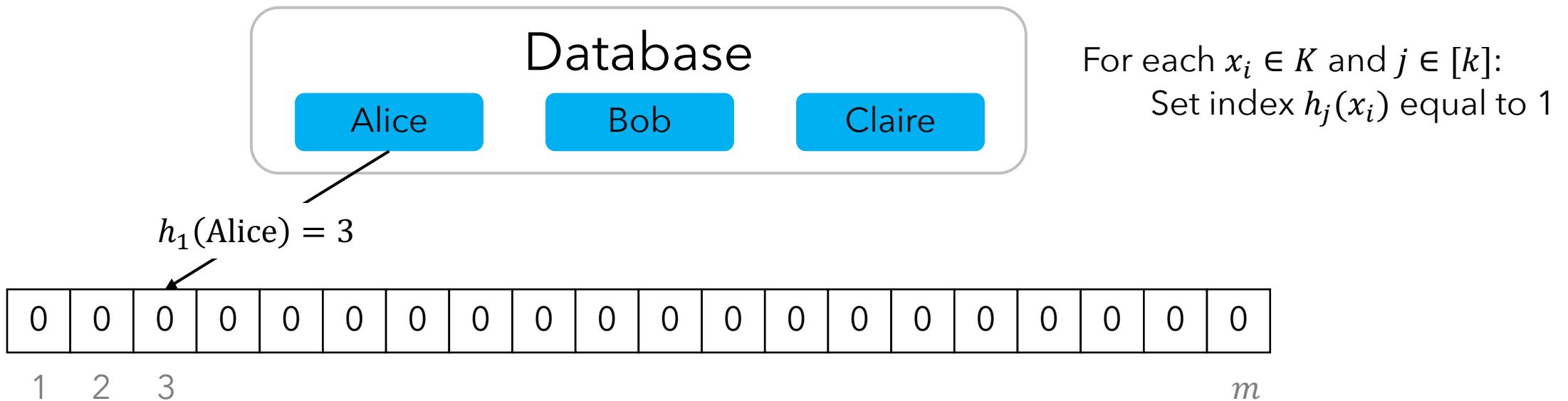
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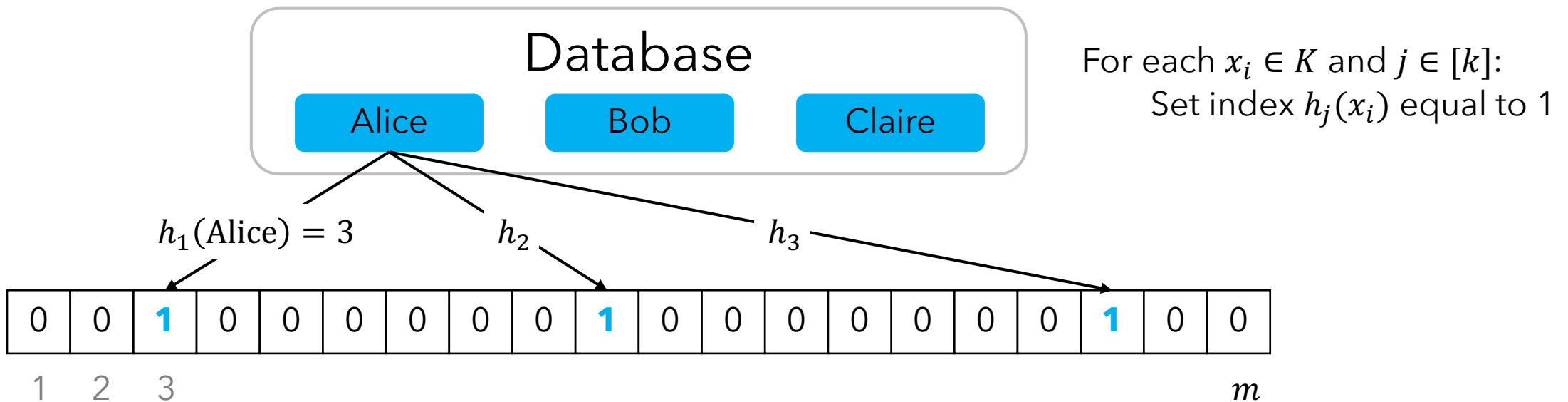
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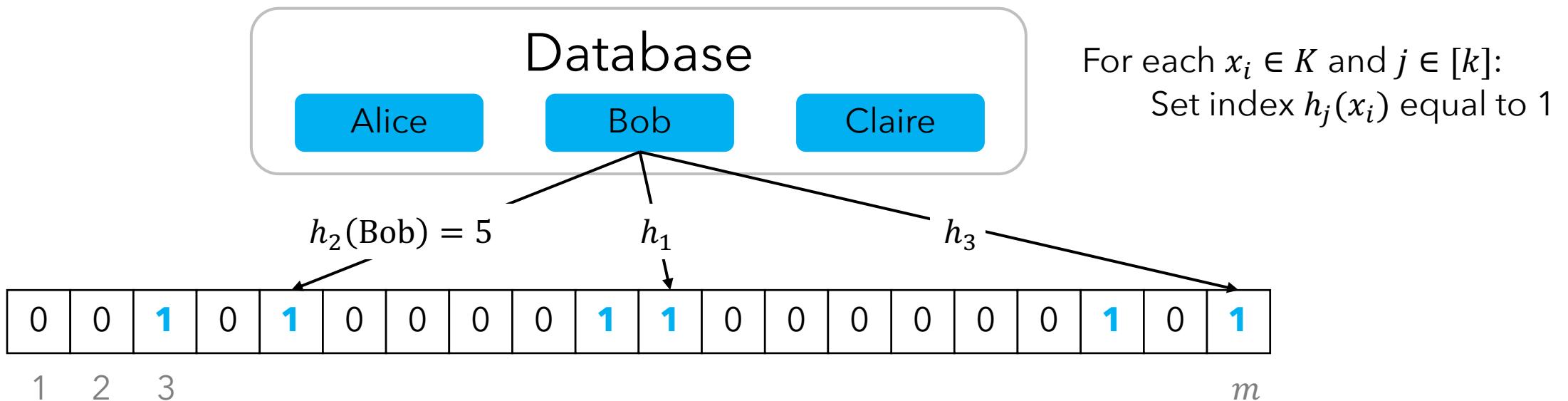
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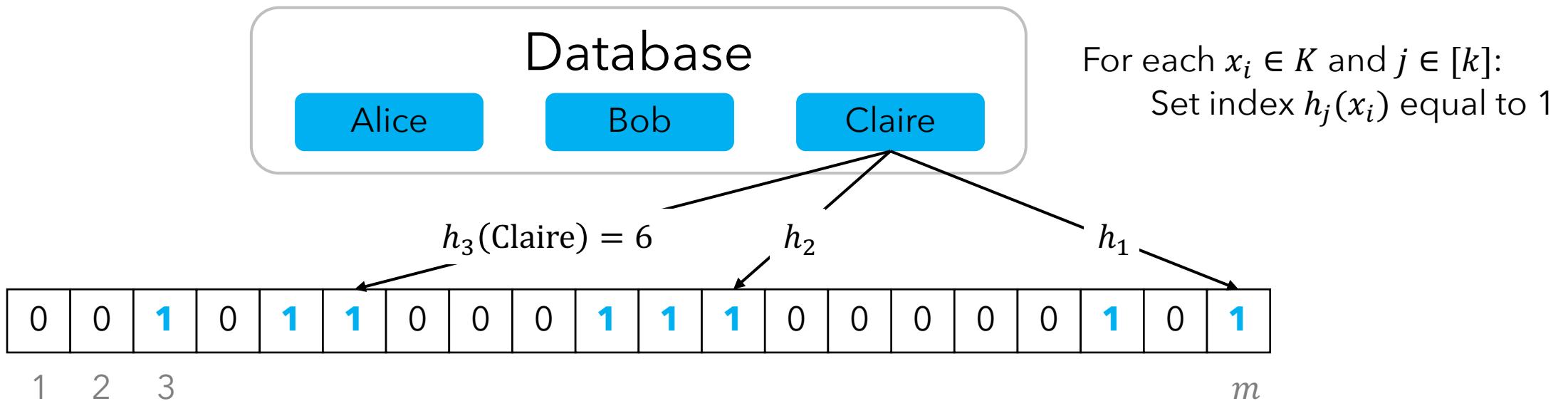
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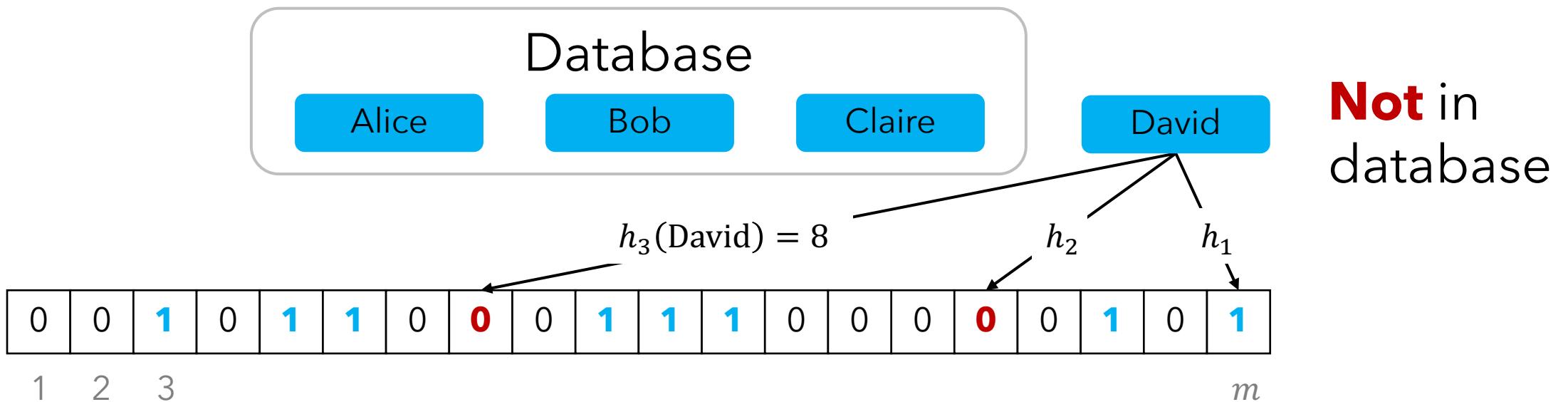
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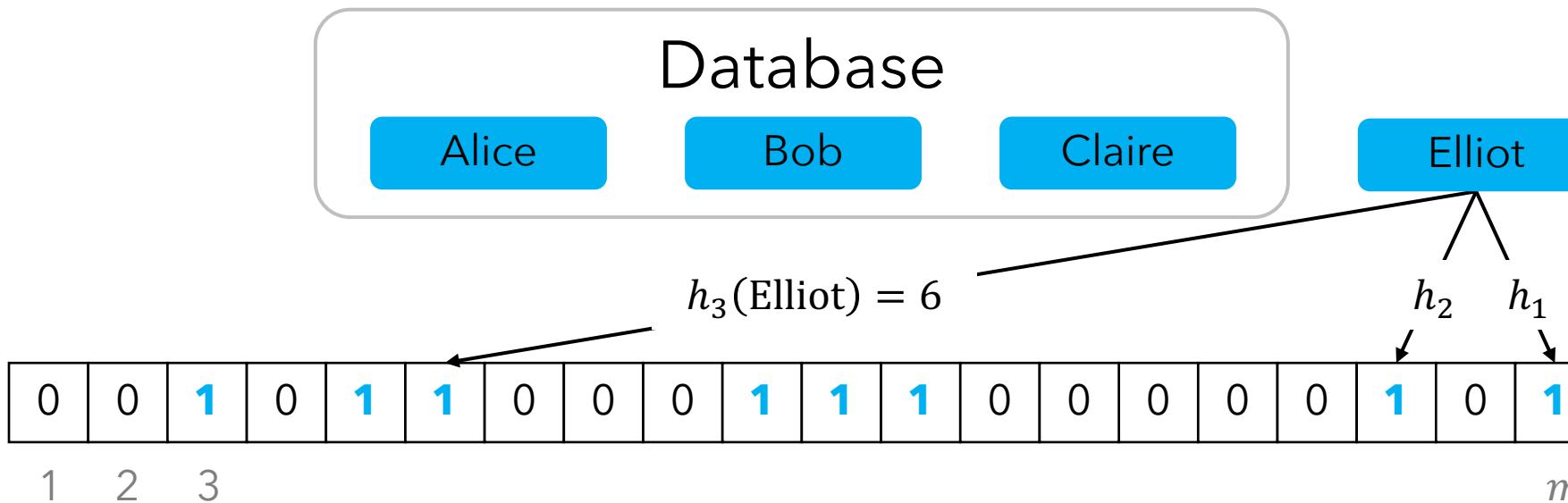
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False positive
(no false negatives)

Learned Bloom filters

Idea 1: Replace Bloom filter with a classifier?

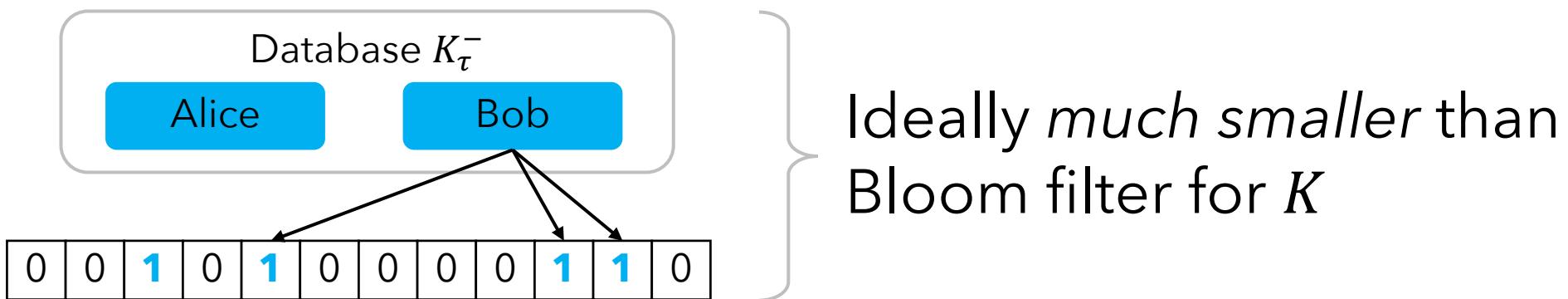
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Key issue: May be false negatives ($f(x) < \tau$ for some $x \in K$)

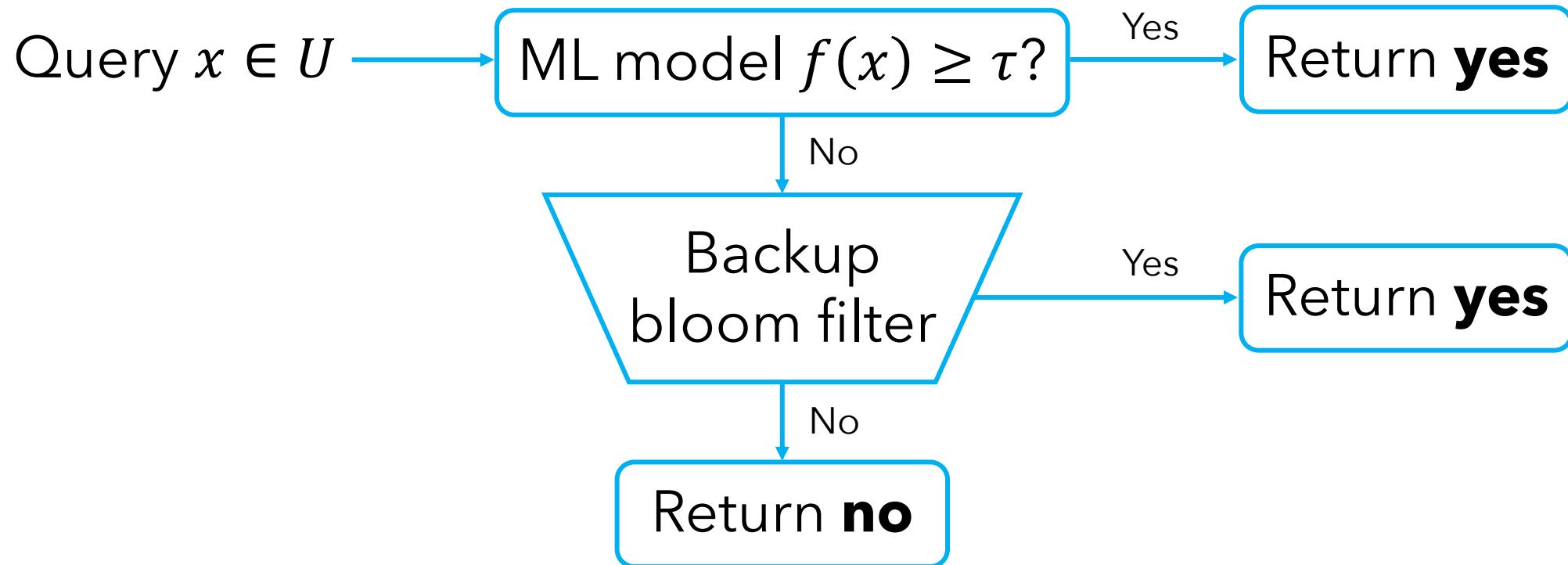
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Idea 2:

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- Construct **backup Bloom filter**:
 - Bloom filter for set $K_\tau^- = \{x \in K : f(x) < \tau\}$



Learned Bloom filters



Setting τ

- D is a distribution over $U \setminus K$
- FPR_B = false positive rate of **backup Bloom filter**

Next class: how to set Bloom filter size to control FPR_B

- False positive rate of **learned Bloom filter**:

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- If want $\text{FPR}_O \leq \epsilon$:

- Choose τ s.t. $\mathbb{P}_{x \sim D}[f(x) > \tau] \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$
- $\text{FPR}_B \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

Experiments

Keys: 1.7M URLs from a Google dataset

Non-keys: Random URLs and phishing URLs

Goal: 1% FPR

- Normal Bloom filter: 2.04MB
 - Learned Bloom filter:
 - ML model (RNN) requires 0.0259MB
 - Backup Bloom filter requires 1.31MB
- } 36% improvement

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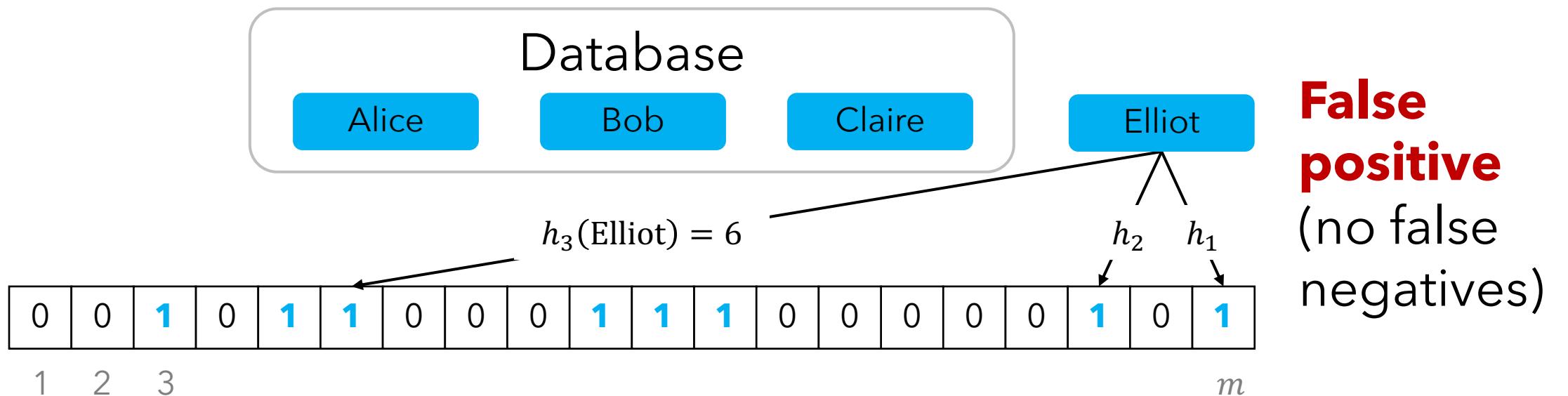
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 - i. Approach
 - ii. **Theoretical guarantees/insights**

Broder, Mitzenmacher [Internet Mathematics '04]
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 - Map $x \in U$ to a random number in $[m]$, independently and uniformly
- Bloom filter: array $A \in \{0,1\}^m$
- ρ = fraction of bits set to 1
- For any $y \notin K$,

$$\begin{aligned}& \mathbb{P}[y \text{ yields a false positive} \mid \rho = q] \\&= \mathbb{P}[A[h_i(y)] = 1, \forall i \in [m] \mid \rho = q] \\&= \mathbb{P}[A[h_1(y)] = 1 \mid \rho = q] \cdots \mathbb{P}[A[h_k(y)] = 1 \mid \rho = q] \\&= q^k\end{aligned}$$

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- With high probability, $\rho \approx \mathbb{E}[\rho]$ (Chernoff bound)

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$$\mathbb{P}[y \text{ yields a false positive}] \approx \mathbb{E}[\rho]^k \approx \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{|K|k}{m}\right)\right)^k$$

- If $m \approx |K| \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ and $k = \log \frac{1}{\epsilon'}$,
$$\mathbb{P}[y \text{ yields a false positive}] \approx \epsilon$$

Differences between FPRs

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Robust to distribution shift

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