

Mathematics for Computer Science: Homework 4

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We are given $n + 1$ numbers from the set $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$. Prove that there are two numbers among them such that one divides the other.

Answer: Let set $X_i = \{m | m = 2^k (2i - 1)\}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$. There are two numbers in the same set, thus one divides the other.

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What is the number of positive integers not larger than 210 and not divisible by 2, 3, or 7?

Answer: $2|x, 3|x, 7|x \Leftrightarrow 42|x$. There are $\lceil \frac{210}{42} \rceil = 5$ such numbers.

Special Problem 1

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent Poisson trials such that $\Pr\{X_i = 1\} = p_i$. Let $X = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$ and $\mu = E(X)$. In class we derived one version of the Chernoff Bounds regarding the probability that $\bar{X} > (1 + \delta)\mu$. Here you are asked to prove the following bounds in a similar way:

(a) For $0 < \delta < 1$, $\Pr\{X \leq (1 - \delta)\mu\} \leq \left(\frac{e^{-\delta}}{(1-\delta)^{1-\delta}}\right)^\mu$

(b) Assume that $p_i = \frac{1}{2}$ for all i . Prove the stronger bound that $\Pr\{|X - \frac{n}{2}| > a\} \leq 2e^{-\frac{2a^2}{n}}$.

Answer:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} E(e^{kX}) &= E(e^{kX_1} e^{kX_2} \dots e^{kX_n}) \\ &= E(e^{kX_1}) E(e^{kX_2}) \dots E(e^{kX_n}) \\ &= \prod_i (p_i (e^k - 1) + 1) \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\sum_i (p_i (e^k - 1) + 1)}{n}\right)^n \\ &= \left(1 + (e^k - 1) \frac{\mu}{n}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left(1 + (e^k - 1) \frac{\mu}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{(e^k - 1)\mu} \cdot (e^k - 1)\mu} \\
&\leq e^{(e^k - 1)\mu}
\end{aligned}$$

Assume $k < 0$. We have $\Pr\{X \leq (1 - \delta)\mu\} = \Pr\{e^{kX} \geq e^{k(1-\delta)\mu}\} \leq \frac{E(e^{kX})}{e^{k(1-\delta)\mu}} \leq \frac{e^{(e^k - 1)\mu}}{e^{k(1-\delta)\mu}}$. Let $k = \ln(1 - \delta)$, we have $\Pr\{X \leq (1 - \delta)\mu\} \leq \left(\frac{e^{-\delta}}{(1-\delta)^{1-\delta}}\right)^\mu$.

(b)

LEMMA 1: $e^t + 1 \leq 2e^{t/2+t^2/8}$ for all $t > 0$.

PROOF: Let $k = e^t > 1$, $f(t) = \frac{t}{2} + \frac{t^2}{8} + \ln 2 - \ln(k + 1)$, $f(0) = 0$, $f'(t) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{t}{4} - \frac{k}{k+1}$, $f'(0) = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
f''(t) &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{k(k+1) + k^2}{(k+1)^2} \\
&= \frac{(k+1)^2 - 4k(k+1) + 4k^2}{4(k+1)^2} \\
&= \frac{(k-1)^2}{4(k+1)^2} \\
&\geq 0
\end{aligned}$$

So we have $f(t) \geq 0$ for all $t > 0$, thus LEMMA 1.

Assume $k > 0$. Here $\delta = \frac{2a}{n}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pr\left\{\left|X - \frac{n}{2}\right| > a\right\} &= 2\Pr\{X > (1 + \delta)\mu\} \\
&= 2\Pr\left\{e^{kX} \geq e^{(1+\delta)\mu}\right\} \\
&\leq 2 \frac{E(e^{kX})}{e^{k(1+\delta)\mu}} \\
&\leq 2 \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\mu}{n}(e^k - 1)\right)^n}{e^{k(1+\delta)\mu}} \\
&= 2 \frac{\left(\frac{1+e^k}{2}\right)^n}{e^{k(\frac{1}{2}n+a)}} \\
&\leq 2 \frac{e^{\left(\frac{k}{2} + \frac{k^2}{8}\right)n}}{e^{k(\frac{1}{2}n+a)}} \\
&= 2e^{\frac{n}{8}k^2 - ak}
\end{aligned}$$

Let $k = \frac{4a}{n}$, $\Pr\left\{\left|X - \frac{n}{2}\right| > a\right\} \leq 2e^{\frac{n}{8}k^2 - ak} = 2e^{-\frac{2a^2}{n}}$.

Special Problem 2

Let P_{2n} be the set of all $(2n)!$ permutations of $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$. For any $\sigma = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2n}) \in P_{2n}$, a pair of positions (i, j) (where $i < j$) is called an inversion in σ if $a_i > a_j$. Let $f(\sigma)$ be the permutation obtained from σ by sorting the sublist of odd positions. That is, $f(\sigma) = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{2n}) \in P_{2n}$, where $b_k = a_k$ for $k = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n$ and $b_1 < b_3 < b_5 < \dots < b_{2n-1}$ is the sorted list of $a_1, a_3, \dots, a_{2n-1}$. For a random σ uniformly chosen from P_{2n} , let I_n be the random variable corresponding to the number of inversions in the permutation $f(\sigma)$. Do the following problems:

- Determine $E(I_n)$.
- Determine $\text{Var}(I_n)$.

Answer:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
E(I_n) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left(\frac{(1+i)i}{2} + i(n-i) \right) \\
&= \frac{n(n-1)}{4} + \frac{1}{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + n \right) \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} i - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} i^2 \\
&= \frac{n(n-1)}{4} + \frac{1}{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + n \right) \frac{n(1+n)}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{n(1+n)(1+2n)}{6} \\
&= \frac{n(n-1)}{4} + \left(\frac{1}{2} + n \right) \frac{n}{2} - \frac{n(1+2n)}{12} \\
&= \frac{7n^2 - n}{12}
\end{aligned}$$

(b) BU HUI ZUO. -_-!!

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