

2) i) X is σ -subgaussian.

$$\therefore \mathbb{E}(\exp(\lambda x)) \leq \exp(\lambda^2 \sigma^2 / 2), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Now, } \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 \sigma^2}{2}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sigma^2 \lambda^2}{2}\right)^n \frac{1}{n!}$$

Similarly,

$$\exp(\lambda x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda x)^n}{n!}$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{E}(1) + \mathbb{E}(\lambda x) + \frac{\mathbb{E}(\lambda^2 x^2)}{2!} \dots \leq \mathbb{E}(1) + \frac{\sigma^2 \lambda^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^4 \sigma^4}{2 \cdot 2!} + \dots$$

~~Dividing~~

Dividing by $\lambda > 0$ we get

$$\mathbb{E}(x) + \frac{\mathbb{E}(\lambda x^2)}{2!} \dots \leq \frac{\sigma^2 \lambda}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3 \sigma^4}{2 \cdot 2!} \dots$$

Now, limit λ tends to 0^+ ($\because \lambda > 0$), we get,

$$\cancel{\mathbb{E}(x)} + \cancel{\mathbb{E}(\lambda x^2)}$$

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\mathbb{E}(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \mathbb{E}(\lambda x^2) + \dots \right) \leq \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\frac{\sigma^2 \lambda}{2} + \dots \right)$$

$$\mathbb{E}(x) \leq 0$$

Similarly if divided by $\lambda < 0$ we get,

$$\mathbb{E}(x) + \frac{\mathbb{E}(\lambda x^2)}{2!} \dots \geq \frac{\sigma^2 \lambda}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3 \sigma^4}{2 \cdot 2!} + \dots$$

As λ tends to 0^- we get,

$$\mathbb{E}(x) \geq 0$$

$$\therefore E(x) = 0$$

Now, using $E(x) = 0$, we get

$$E(\exp(\lambda x)) \leq \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 \sigma^2}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E(\lambda^2 x^2)}{2!} + \frac{E(\lambda^3 x^3)}{3!} \leq \frac{\lambda^2 \sigma^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^4 \sigma^4}{2 \times 2!} + \dots$$

Dividing by λ^2 , $\lambda \neq 0$, we get

$$\frac{E(x^2)}{2} + \frac{\lambda E(x^3)}{3!} \dots \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^2 \sigma^4}{2 \times 2!} + \dots$$

Now as λ tends to zero we get

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{E(x^2)}{2} + \lambda \frac{E(x^3)}{3!} \dots \right) \leq \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^2 \sigma^4}{2 \times 2!} + \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E(x^2)}{2} \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(x^2) \leq \sigma^2$$

ii) x is subgaussian.

$$\therefore E(\exp(\lambda x)) \leq \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 \sigma^2}{2}\right), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

Let $\lambda = \lambda' c$, where $\lambda' \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow E(\exp(\lambda' (cx))) \leq \exp\left(\frac{\lambda'^2 (c\sigma)^2}{2}\right) \text{ where } \lambda' \in \mathbb{R}$$

cx is $|c|\sigma$ -subgaussian

$$\text{iii)} \mathbb{E}(\exp(\lambda(x_1 + x_2)))$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(\exp(\lambda x_1) \cdot \exp(\lambda x_2))$$

Now as x_1 and x_2 independent, we can take the expectation inside,

$$\therefore \mathbb{E}(\exp(\lambda x_1)) \cdot \mathbb{E}(\exp(\lambda x_2))$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 \sigma_1^2}{2}\right) \cdot \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 \sigma_2^2}{2}\right)$$

[$\because x_1$ & x_2 are
 σ_1 & σ_2 subgaussian
respectively]

$$= \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)}{2}\right)$$

$\therefore x_1 + x_2$ is $\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$ - subgaussian.

$$3) \text{ i) Given } \mathbb{E}(X) = 0, \quad P(X \in [a, b]) = 1, "$$

Now, any $x \in [a, b]$ can be written as, $x = \alpha b + (1-\alpha)a, \alpha \in [0, 1]$

Since, e^{sX} is a convex function, we have,

$$e^{sX} = e^{s(\alpha b + (1-\alpha)a)} \leq \alpha e^{sb} + (1-\alpha)e^{sa}$$

$$\text{For a given } x, \alpha = \frac{x-a}{b-a}$$

$$e^{sx} \leq \left(\frac{x-a}{b-a}\right)e^{sb} + \left(\frac{b-x}{b-a}\right)e^{sa}$$

$$\text{Now, } \mathbb{E}(e^{sx}) \leq \mathbb{E}\left(\left(\frac{x-a}{b-a}\right)e^{sb} + \left(\frac{b-x}{b-a}\right)e^{sa}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow E(e^{sx}) \leq \frac{-a}{b-a} e^{sb} + \frac{b}{b-a} e^{sa} \left[\because E\left(\frac{x-a}{b-a}\right) = \frac{E(a)-a}{b-a} = \frac{-a}{b-a} \right]$$

Let $\theta = \frac{-a}{b-a}$, now, $a < 0 < b$ as $E(x) = 0$,

$$\therefore \theta > 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E(e^{sx}) &\leq \theta e^{sb} + (1-\theta)e^{sa} \\ &= e^{sa} (1-\theta + \theta e^{s(b-a)}) \end{aligned}$$

Let, $u = s(b-a)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E(e^{sx}) &\leq e^{sa} (1-\theta + \theta e^u) \\ &= e^{\frac{-s(-a)(b-a)}{(b-a)}} (1-\theta + \theta e^u) \\ &= e^{-\theta u} (1-\theta + \theta e^u) \end{aligned}$$

Taking log on both sides,

$$\log(E(e^{sx})) \leq -\theta u + \log(1-\theta + \theta e^u)$$

Note that, as (a, b) are fixed θ is a constant, hence only u is a variable.

$$\text{Let, } \psi(u) = -\theta u + \log(1-\theta + \theta e^u)$$

$$\text{Now } \psi(0) = 0$$

$$\psi'(u) = -\theta + \frac{\theta e^u}{1-\theta + \theta e^u}$$

$$\psi'(0) = -\theta + \theta = 0$$

$$\psi''(u) = \frac{\theta e^u (1-\theta + \theta e^u) - \theta^2 e^{2u}}{(1-\theta + \theta e^u)^2}$$

$$\psi''(u) = \frac{\theta e^u}{(1-\theta+\theta e^u)^2} \left(1 - \frac{\theta e^u}{1-\theta+\theta e^u} \right)$$

Now, $e^u > 0$, $\theta > 0$ and,

$$\begin{aligned} 1-\theta+\theta e^u &= \frac{b-a}{b-a} 1 + \frac{a}{b-a} (1-\theta e^u) \\ &= \frac{b}{b-a} + \theta e^u > 0 \quad [\text{as } b > 0 > a] \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \psi'(u) = t(1-t) \quad \text{where } t = \frac{\theta e^u}{1-\theta+\theta e^u} > 0$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4} \quad [\text{as } t(1-t) \text{ is maximum at } t=1/2]$$

$$\therefore \psi(u) = \psi(0) + u\psi'(0) + \frac{1}{2}u^2\psi''(v), \quad v \in [0, u]$$

$$\leq 0 + u \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{2}u^2\psi''(v)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2}u^2 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{u^2}{8}$$

$$\therefore \log(\mathbb{E}(e^{sx})) \leq -\theta u + \log(1-\theta+\theta e^u) = \psi(u) \leq \frac{u^2}{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}(e^{sx}) &\leq e^{u^2/8} \\ &= e^{\frac{s^2(b-a)^2}{8}} \\ &= e^{\frac{s^2}{2}\left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \pi$ is $\left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)$ subgaussian.

$$ii) P\left(\sum_{t=1}^n (x_t - E(x_t)) \geq \epsilon\right), \epsilon > 0$$

$$\text{Let } \sum_{t=1}^n x_t = S_n$$

$$\therefore P(S_n - E(S_n) \geq \epsilon) \quad (\because x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \text{ are independent}) \quad (t > 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(\exp(S_n - E(S_n)) \geq \exp(\epsilon)) \leq \exp(-\epsilon) E(\exp(S_n - E(S_n))) \quad [\text{Markov inequality}] \\ &= \exp(-\epsilon) E\left(\prod_{t=1}^n \exp(x_t - E(x_t))\right) \\ &\leq e \end{aligned}$$

$$= P(\exp(S_n - E(S_n)) \geq \exp(t\epsilon))$$

$$\leq \exp(-t\epsilon) E(\exp(t(S_n - E(S_n)))) \quad [\text{Markov inequality}]$$

$$= e^{-t\epsilon} E\left(\prod_{t=1}^n \exp(t(x_t - E(x_t)))\right)$$

$$= e^{-t\epsilon} \prod_{t=1}^n E(\exp(t(x_t - E(x_t)))) \quad [\because x_i \text{ are independent}]$$

$$\leq e^{-t\epsilon} \prod_{i=1}^n e^{\frac{t^2 (b_i - a_i)^2}{8}} \quad [\text{From previous proof}]$$

$$= \exp\left(-t\epsilon + \frac{1}{8} t^2 \sum (b_i - a_i)^2\right)$$

Substituting ~~$t = 4\epsilon$~~ $t = 4\epsilon / \sum (b_i - a_i)^2$ we get,

$$P(S_n - E(S_n) \geq \epsilon) \leq \exp\left(\frac{-2\epsilon^2}{\sum (b_i - a_i)^2}\right) //$$

$$4) R_T \leq \min \left\{ T\Delta, \Delta + \frac{4}{\Delta} (1 + \max\{0, \log(\frac{T\Delta^2}{4})\}) \right\}$$

$$\cancel{L} m = \max\{1, \lceil \frac{4}{\Delta^2} \log \frac{T\Delta^2}{4} \rceil\}$$

Let $\Delta \geq 2/\sqrt{T}$, for a sufficiently large T .

Note that $\frac{4}{\Delta} \log \frac{\Delta^2}{4} = \frac{8}{\Delta} \log \frac{\Delta}{4}$ decreases with increasing Δ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{4}{\Delta} (1 + \max\{0, \log \frac{T\Delta^2}{4}\}) &\leq 2\sqrt{T} (1 + \max\{0, \log \frac{T\Delta^2}{4}\}) \\ &= 2\sqrt{T} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore R_T \leq \min\{T\Delta, \Delta + 2\sqrt{T}\}$$

For T sufficiently large $T\Delta > 2\sqrt{T}$

$$\therefore R_T \leq \Delta + 2\sqrt{T}$$

$$\therefore \underline{C = 2}$$

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6) Let all rewards be κ subgaussian

$$\therefore P_r(x_i - u_i > \varepsilon) \leq \exp\left(\frac{-\varepsilon^2}{\kappa}\right) \quad \text{[exp]}$$

$$\therefore P_r(R_T > E(R_T) + \varepsilon)$$

$$= P_r\left(T\mu^* - \sum x_t - T\mu^* + \sum u_{A_t} > \varepsilon\right)$$

$$= P_r\left(\sum (u_{A_t} - x_t) > \varepsilon\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{-\varepsilon^2}{1+\dots}\right) \quad \text{[sum of sub-gaussians is a sub-gaussian]}$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{-\varepsilon^2}{\kappa}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{If } \exp\left(\frac{-\varepsilon^2}{\kappa}\right) = \delta \text{ we have,}$$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{\kappa \log \frac{1}{\delta}}$$

$$\therefore P_r\left(R_T < E(R_T) + \sqrt{\kappa \log \frac{1}{\delta}}\right) = \underline{\underline{1-\delta}}$$

$$7) \Rightarrow \bar{R}_{\pi^U}(T) = \sum_{a=1}^K \Delta_a \mathbb{E}(N_a(T))$$

$$N_a(T) = \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbb{1}_{\{I_t = a\}}$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{t=K+1}^T \mathbb{1}_{\{I_t = a\}} \quad [\because \text{Each arm is played once}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}(N_a(T)) = 1 + \sum_{t=K+1}^T \mathbb{P}(I_t = a)$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{t=K+1}^T \mathbb{P}(I_t = a | \text{exploitation}) (1-\epsilon) + \sum_{t=K+1}^T \mathbb{P}(I_t = a | \text{explore}) \epsilon$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{t=K+1}^T \mathbb{P}(a = \arg \max_i \hat{u}_{t,i}) (1-\epsilon) + \frac{\epsilon T}{K}$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum \Delta_a \mathbb{E}(N_a(T))$$

$$= \sum_{a=1}^K \Delta_a + \sum_{i=1}^K \Delta_i \sum_{t=K+1}^T \mathbb{P}(i = \arg \max_j \hat{u}_{t,j}) (1-\epsilon) + \frac{\epsilon T}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \Delta_i$$

Let $\Delta = \max \Delta_i$, i^* is the optimal arm, $\Delta_{\min} = \min(\Delta_i)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_a \Delta_a \mathbb{E}(N_a(T)) &\leq \sum \Delta_i + \sum_{\substack{i \neq i^* \\ i \in [K]}} \Delta_i \sum_{t=K+1}^T \mathbb{P}(i = \arg \max_j \hat{u}_{t,j}) (1-\epsilon) + \frac{\epsilon T}{K} \sum \Delta_i \\ &= \sum \Delta_i + \Delta \sum_{t=K+1}^T \sum_{\substack{i \neq i^* \\ i \in [K]}} \mathbb{P}(i = \arg \max_j \hat{u}_{t,j}) (1-\epsilon) + \frac{\epsilon T}{K} \sum \Delta_i \end{aligned}$$

[Not considering i^* as $\Delta_{i^*} = 0$]

Without loss of generality, $i^* = 1$, therefore,

$$\sum_{i=2}^K \mathbb{P}(i = \arg \max_j \hat{u}_{t,j}) = \mathbb{P}(\hat{u}_{i^*,t} < \max_j \hat{u}_{j,t})$$

∴ We have,

$$\sum \Delta_i \mathbb{E}(N_i(T)) \leq \Delta_i + \sum_{t=K+1}^T \Delta(1-\varepsilon) P(\hat{u}_{i, N_i^*(t)} < \max_j \hat{u}_{j, N_j(t)}) + \frac{\varepsilon T \sum \Delta_i}{K}$$

$$\leq \Delta_i + \sum_{t=K+1}^T \Delta(1-\varepsilon) \exp\left(-\frac{t \Delta_{\min}^2}{K^4}\right) + \frac{\varepsilon T \sum \Delta_i}{K}$$

Note that, $P(\max_j \hat{u}_{j, N_j(t)} > \hat{u}_{i, N_i^*(t)}) \leq P(\hat{u}_{j, N_j(t)} > \hat{u}_{i, N_i^*(t)})$

where $\Delta_{\min} = u_{i^*} - u_j$

and $N_i^*(t) \geq t/K$ was used above.

∴ We have,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\pi, v}(T) &\leq \Delta_i + \Delta(1-\varepsilon) \sum_{t=0}^T \exp\left(-\frac{t}{K} \frac{\Delta_{\min}^2}{4}\right) + \frac{\varepsilon T \sum \Delta_i}{K} \\ &= \Delta_i + \Delta(1-\varepsilon) \frac{1}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_{\min}^2}{K^4}\right)} + \frac{\varepsilon T \sum \Delta_i}{K} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{R_{\pi, v}(T)}{T} \leq \frac{\Delta_i}{T} + \frac{\Delta}{T} \frac{(1-\varepsilon)}{(1 - \exp(-\frac{\Delta_{\min}^2}{K^4}))} + \frac{\varepsilon}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \Delta_i$$

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R_{\pi, v}(T)}{T} \leq 0 + 0 + \frac{\varepsilon}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \Delta_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \frac{R_{\pi, v}(T)}{T} &= \frac{1}{T} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{t=1}^T P(a = \arg \max_j \hat{u}_{N_j(t), i})}{T} + \frac{\varepsilon}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \Delta_i \\ &\geq \frac{\varepsilon}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \Delta_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R_{\pi, v}(T)}{T} = \frac{\varepsilon}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \Delta_i //$$

8) We know that, if $I_t = k$ in UCB then the conditions hold,

$$a) \hat{\mu}_{k, N_k(t-1)} + \sqrt{\frac{\alpha \log t}{N_k(t-1)}} \leq \mu^*$$

$$b) \hat{\mu}_{k, N_k(t-1)} - \sqrt{\frac{\alpha \log t}{N_k(t-1)}} > \mu_k$$

$$c) N_k(t-1) \leq \frac{4\alpha \log t}{\Delta_k^2}$$

Now in the modified algorithm the arm selection is done in phases that is at, $t = 1, 2, 4, \dots$ or that is same as,

$$\log_2 t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Therefore let $\bar{t} = \log_2 t$

$$\therefore N_k(t) = \sum_{t=1}^T 1_{\{I_t = k\}}$$

$$= \sum_{\bar{t}=0}^{\log_2 T} 2^{\bar{t}} 1_{\{I_{\bar{t}} = k\}}$$

[$2^{\bar{t}}$ because that is the number times the k will be played after selection]

$$N_k(T) \leq u + \sum_{\bar{t}=0}^{\log_2 T} 2^{\bar{t}} 1_{\{I_{\bar{t}} = k, N_k(t-1) > u\}}$$

$$= u + \sum_{\bar{t}=0}^{\log_2 T} 2^{\bar{t}} 1_{\{I_{\bar{t}} = k, a \text{ or } (c)\}} \left[\text{let } u = \frac{4\alpha \log T}{\Delta_k^2} \right]$$

∴ Following the proof of UCB's regret bound we have,

$$E[N_k(T)] \leq u + \sum_{\tilde{t}} \left(\mathbb{P}_x \{ I_{\tilde{t}} = k, (a) \text{ holds} \} + \mathbb{P}_x \{ I_{\tilde{t}} = k, (b) \text{ holds} \} \right) \times 2^{\tilde{t}}$$

Now, $2^{\tilde{t}} \mathbb{P}_x \{ (a) \text{ holds} \} \leq \frac{2^{\tilde{t}}}{\tilde{t}^{2\alpha-1}}$

and $2^{\tilde{t}} \mathbb{P}_x \{ (b) \text{ holds} \} \leq \frac{1}{\tilde{t}^{2\alpha-1}} = \frac{2^{\tilde{t}}}{\tilde{t}^{2\alpha-1}}$

∴ $E(N_k(T)) \leq u + 2 \times \sum_{\tilde{t}=1}^{\log T} \frac{2^{\tilde{t}}}{\tilde{t}^{2\alpha-1}}$

Let $\alpha = 3/2$

$$E[N_k(T)] \leq u + 2 \sum_{\tilde{t}=1}^{\log T} \frac{2^{\tilde{t}}}{\tilde{t}^2}$$

Now $\sum \frac{2^{\tilde{t}}}{\tilde{t}^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{\tilde{t}=0}^{\log T} 2^{\tilde{t}} \times \sum_{\tilde{t}=0}^{\log T} \frac{1}{\tilde{t}^2}}$ Cauchy-Schwarz

As $\sum_{\tilde{t}=1}^{\log T} \frac{1}{\tilde{t}^4} \leq \sum_{\tilde{t}=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\tilde{t}^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$

$$\sum_{\tilde{t}=1}^{\log T} 4^{\tilde{t}} = \frac{4^{\log T+1} - 4}{4-1} = \frac{T^2 - 1}{3} < \frac{T^2}{3}$$

∴ $2 \sum \frac{2^{\tilde{t}}}{\tilde{t}^2} \leq \frac{2\pi T \pi^2}{3\sqrt{30}}$, ∴ $E[N_k(T)] \leq \frac{6\log T}{\Delta_k^2} + \frac{2T\pi^2}{3\sqrt{30}} + 1$

∴ $R_T(\text{UCB}) = \sum \Delta_k E(N_k(T))$

$$\leq 6\log T \sum \frac{1}{\Delta_k} + K \left(\frac{2T\pi^2}{3\sqrt{30}} + 1 \right)$$