## CSCI 305 Assignment 4

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1. How many 5-card outcomes are possible? Since one player pulls 4 cards for their hand, we have  $\binom{52}{4}$  possible combinations, leaving  $\binom{48}{1}$  possible combinations for the face-up card.

$$\binom{52}{4} \times \binom{48}{1} = 12,994,800$$

- 2. How many ways to make hand 1?
  - Turned-up card must be a 5
  - Player must have 5, 5, J J with one of the Jacks being the same suit as the turned-up card.

$$\binom{4}{1} \times \binom{3}{2} \times \binom{3}{1} \times \binom{1}{1} = 36$$

- 3. How many ways to make hand 2?
  - Total hand must have 4, 5, 5, 5, 6

$$\binom{4}{1} \times \binom{4}{3} \times \binom{4}{1} \times \binom{4}{1} = 320$$

4. What is the probability of scoring 23 points (either hand 1 or hand 2)?

$$\frac{36 + 320}{12,994,800} = \frac{89}{3,248,700} \approx 0.0000273956$$

- 2. Search Query
  - 1. Explain it cannot be the case that every n searches the algorithm takes  $\Theta(n^3)$  steps. By definition of  $\Theta$ , suppose T(n) is the search algorithm; then

$$T(n) = \Theta(n) \implies \exists c_1, c_2, n_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ such that}$$
  
 $\forall n \ge n_0, c_1 n \le T(n) \le c_2 n$ 

If T(n) did take  $\Theta(n^3)$  steps every x steps, then we could show this by accounting for this rate:

$$T'(n) = T(n) + \frac{\Theta(n^3)}{x}$$
$$c_1 n \le T(n) + \frac{\Theta(n^3)}{x} \le c_2 n$$

Setting  $c_1$  to 0 satisfies the lower bound, however, there is no  $c_2$  that can be set to satisfy the upper bound. Therefore, it cannot be the case that every n searches the algorithm takes  $\Theta(n^3)$  steps.

$$T(n) + \frac{\Theta(n^3)}{x} \le T(n) + \frac{O(n^3)}{n}$$
$$\le T(n) + \frac{cn^3}{n}$$

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$$T(n) + \frac{cn^3}{n} \le c_2 n$$
$$T(n) + cn^2 \le c_2 n$$

We can discard the leading T(n) since this is  $\leq$ , making it smaller.

$$cn^2 < c_2 n$$

2. If the algorithm occasionally took  $\Theta(2^n)$ , how rarely must this occur?

$$T(n) = \Theta(2^n) \implies \exists c_1, c_2, n_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ such that}$$
  
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$$T(n) + \frac{\Theta(2^n)}{x} \le T(n) + \frac{O(2^n)}{x}$$
$$\le T(n) + \frac{c2^n}{x}$$

Here we must set x to  $2^n$  to avoid adding an additional leading term that would break the  $\Theta(n)$  bound. That is to say the occurrence of running  $\Theta(2^n)$  must happen every  $2^n$  steps.

## 3. Along the coastline

1. What is the expected number of boats that return to their home (original) village? Since each the probability of boat X returning to its home village is not impacted by other boats, these trials are independent. Mathematically it makes sense for each boat to have a  $\frac{1}{100}$  chance of returning to its home village. Since this is being done 100 times, we simply multiply the probability by the number of trials.

$$\frac{1}{100} \times 100 = 1$$
 boat

2. What is the expected number of villages where 2 boats show up? To calculate the number of villages where only 2 boats show up, let's observe that the first boat has a  $\frac{1}{100}$  chance of showing up to one village, and the second boat has a  $\frac{1}{100}$  chance of showing up as well. Since this effectively halves the number of ships, this trial is run 50 times.

$$\frac{1}{100} \times \frac{1}{100} \times 50 = \frac{1}{200}$$
 villages

3. With n boats and villages, show that in  $\lim_{n\to\infty}$  the expected fraction of villages with empty docks approaches 1/e.

Observe that at n = 1, the expected # of villages with empty docks is 0.

At n=2, the expected # of villages with empty docks is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . At n=3, the expected # of villages with empty docks is

$$\frac{3}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{12}{27}$$

At n=10, the expected # of villages with empty docks is

$$\frac{10}{10} \times \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^{10} = \frac{9^{10}}{10^{10}}$$

Thus, the expected fraction of villages with empty docks is

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(n-1)^n}{n^n} = \frac{1}{e}$$

4. Nodes

1. With d=3 and n=10, what is the expected number of self-edges in the graph? For any given stub, there are d stubs on the same node that could form a self-edge, and nd total stubs it could connect to. Thus, the expected number of self-edges is

$$30 \times \frac{3}{30} = 3$$

2. For arbitrary d and n, the expected number of self-edges is

$$nd \times \frac{d}{nd} = d$$