

## Instructions

- The homework is due on **Friday 3/24 at 5pm ET.**
- No extension will be provided, unless for serious documented reasons.
- Start early!
- Study the material taught in class, and feel free to do so in small groups, but the solutions should be a product of your own work.
- This is not a multiple choice homework; reasoning, and mathematical proofs are required before giving your final answer.

### 1 $G(n, p)$ [50 points]

1. (5pts) In the limit as  $n$  goes to infinity, how does  $(1 - \frac{1}{n})^{n \ln n}$  behave?
2. (5pts) How many labeled graphs on  $n$  nodes have exactly  $m$  edges, where  $0 \leq m \leq \binom{n}{2}$
3. (10pts) Consider a graph  $G$  sampled from the  $G(n, p)$  model. Prove that conditioned on  $G$  having  $m$  edges, it is equally likely among all graphs that have  $m$  edges.
4. (10pts) Suppose that  $p = \frac{c}{n}$  where  $c$  is a constant. Prove that the number of vertices of degree  $k$  is asymptotically equal to  $\frac{c^k e^{-c}}{k!} n$  for any fixed positive integer  $k$ .
5. (10pts) Consider generating the edges of a random graph by flipping two coins, one with probability  $p_1$  of heads and the other with probability  $p_2$  of heads. For each pair of nodes add an edge between them if either of the coins comes down heads. Show that this is equivalent to generating a graph  $G$  from  $G(n, p)$  for an appropriate value of  $p$ . What is this value  $p$ ?
6. (10pts) Consider  $G$  sampled from  $G(n, 0.1)$ . How does the Central limit theorem apply to the degree of any node in  $G$ ? Specifically, within what range will the degree of a node lie with probability at least 99%?

### 2 Coding [50 points]

Check the Jupyter notebook on our Git repo.

1. (5pts) In the limit as  $n$  goes to infinity, how does  $(1 - \frac{1}{n})^{n \ln n}$  behave?

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{n})^{n \ln n} \quad \because e^{\ln x} = x \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln((1 - \frac{1}{n})^{n \ln n})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{n \cdot \ln n \cdot \ln(1 - \frac{1}{n})} \\
 & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \ln n \cdot \ln(1 - \frac{1}{n}) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \ln n \cdot \left[ (-n)^{-1} - \frac{(-n)^{-2}}{2} + \frac{(-n)^{-3}}{3} + \dots \right] \quad \text{Taylor series of } \ln(1 + \frac{1}{x}) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \ln n \cdot \left[ -\frac{1}{n} - o(1) \right] \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln n \cdot (-1) \\
 &\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{n \ln n \cdot \ln(1 - \frac{1}{n})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-1 \cdot \ln n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\infty} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

2. (5pts) How many labeled graphs on  $n$  nodes have exactly  $m$  edges, where  $0 \leq m \leq \binom{n}{2}$

$$\text{total number : } 2^{\binom{n}{2}}$$

$$\# \text{ Graphs with exactly } m \text{ edges : } \binom{\binom{n}{2}}{m}$$

3. (10pts) Consider a graph  $G$  sampled from the  $G(n, p)$  model. Prove that conditioned on  $G$  having  $m$  edges, it is equally likely among all graphs that have  $m$  edges.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Graph with } V=n, E=m \\
 & \downarrow \\
 & P(G=H \mid E=m) = \frac{P(E=m \mid G=H) \cdot P(G=H)}{P(E=m)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(G=H) = p^m (1-p)^{\binom{n}{2}-m}$$

$$P(E=m) = \binom{\binom{n}{2}}{m} p^m (1-p)^{\binom{n}{2}-m}$$

$$P(E=m \mid G=H) = 1$$

$$P(G=H \mid E=m) = \frac{1 \cdot p^m (1-p)^{\binom{n}{2}-m}}{\binom{\binom{n}{2}}{m} p^m (1-p)^{\binom{n}{2}-m}} = \frac{1}{\binom{\binom{n}{2}}{m}} \Rightarrow \text{equally likely}$$

4. (10pts) Suppose that  $p = \frac{c}{n}$  where  $c$  is a constant. Prove that the number of vertices of degree  $k$  is asymptotically equal to  $\frac{c^k e^{-c}}{k!} n$  for any fixed positive integer  $k$ .

$$p_k = \binom{n-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-1-k}$$

$$E(x) = n \cdot p_k = n \cdot \binom{n-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-1-k} = n \binom{n-1}{k} \left(\frac{c}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{c}{n}\right)^{n-1-k}$$

$$\therefore \binom{n-1}{k} = \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-1-k)! k!} \approx \frac{(n-1)^k}{k!}$$

$$\therefore p_k = \frac{(n-1)^k}{k!} p^k (1-p)^{n-1-k} = \frac{[(n-1) \cdot p]^k}{k!} (1-p)^{n-1-k}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n p_k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n \cdot p)^k}{k!} \frac{(1-p)^n}{(1-p)^k} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(n \cdot \frac{c}{n}\right)^k}{k!} \frac{\left(1 - \frac{c}{n}\right)^n}{\left(1 - \frac{c}{n}\right)^k}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c^k \cdot \left(1 - \frac{c}{n}\right)^n}{k! \cdot o(1)} = \frac{c^k e^{-c}}{k!}$$

5. (10pts) Consider generating the edges of a random graph by flipping two coins, one with probability  $p_1$  of heads and the other with probability  $p_2$  of heads. For each pair of nodes add an edge between them if either of the coins comes down heads. Show that this is equivalent to generating a graph  $G$  from  $G(n, p)$  for an appropriate value of  $p$ . What is this value  $p$ ?

$$\begin{array}{cc} (1-p_1) \cdot p_2 & \\ HH, HT, TH, TT & \\ p_1 p_2 & p_1 (1-p_2) \quad (1-p_1) (1-p_2) \end{array}$$

$$P(\text{edge} = 1) = 1 - P(\text{both } T) = 1 - (1-p_1)(1-p_2) = p_1 + p_2 - p_1 p_2$$

$$p = p_1 + p_2 - p_1 p_2$$

$$\text{In } G(n, p), \quad p = P(\text{generate an edge}) = p_1 + p_2 - p_1 p_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1-p &= P(\text{no edge}) = 1 - (p_1 + p_2 - p_1 p_2) \\ &= (1-p_1)(1-p_2) = P(\text{both } T) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, 2 models are equivalent,

and the appropriate  $p$  is  $p_1 + p_2 - p_1 p_2$

6. (10pts) Consider  $G$  sampled from  $G(n, 0.1)$ . How does the Central limit theorem apply to the degree of any node in  $G$ ? Specifically, within what range will the degree of a node lie with probability at least 99%?

The degree in  $G(n, p)$  follows a binomial distribution.

$$\mu = np = 0.1n, \quad \text{var} = np(1-p) = 0.09n \quad \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{0.09n}{n}} = 0.3$$

$P(\mu - 3\sigma \leq k \leq \mu + 3\sigma) = 99\%$  according to CLT confidence interval.

$$\mu - 3\sigma = 0.1n - 0.9, \quad \mu + 3\sigma = 0.1n + 0.9$$

$\Rightarrow$  within range  $[0.1n - 0.9, 0.1n + 0.9]$