

Sundry

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1) Error Correcting Codes

a) fraction a of lost packets (where $0 < a < 1$)

expect $n \times a$ to be lost

$n + k$ packets

message: n

expect $N \cdot a$ to be lost

packets sent: $N = n + x$

packets that can be lost: $x = N \cdot a$

$$x = (n + x) \cdot a$$

$$x = an + ax$$

$$x - ax = an$$

$$x(1 - a) = an$$

$$x = \frac{an}{1 - a}$$

\rightarrow

$$\boxed{n + \frac{na}{1 - a}}$$

b) $n + 2(k)$

$$x = 2 \times N \times a$$

$$x = 2(x + n) \times a$$

$$x = (2x + 2n)a$$

$$x = 2xa + 2na$$

$$x - 2xa = 2na$$

$$x(1 - 2a) = 2na$$

$$x = \frac{2na}{1 - 2a}$$

\rightarrow

$$\boxed{n + 2 \left(\frac{2na}{1 - 2a} \right)}$$

2) Alice and Bob

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad Q(x) &= P(x)E(x) \\ P(x) &= m_1x^2 + m_2x + m_3 \\ E(x) &= (x - e_1) \\ Q(x) &= a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= P(x)E(x) \\ P(x) &= m_1x^2 + m_2x + m_3 \\ E(x) &= (x - e_1) \\ Q(x) &= a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0 \end{aligned}} \right\} \pmod{7}$$

$P(0)$:

$$a_0 = 1(0 + b_0)$$

$$a_0 = b_0 \pmod{7}$$

$$a_0 - b_0 = 0 \pmod{7} \rightarrow a_0 + 6b_0 = 0$$

$P(1)$:

$$a_3 + a_2 + a_1 + a_0 = 3(1 + b_0)$$

$$a_3 + a_2 + a_1 + a_0 = 3 + 3b_0$$

$$a_3 + a_2 + a_1 + a_0 - 3b_0 = 3 \pmod{7} \rightarrow a_3 + a_2 + a_1 + a_0 + 4b_0 = 3$$

$P(2)$:

$$8a_3 + 4a_2 + 2a_1 + a_0 = 0 \pmod{7} \rightarrow a_3 + 4a_2 + 2a_1 + a_0 = 0$$

$P(3)$:

$$27a_3 + 9a_2 + 3a_1 + a_0 = 1(3 + b_0)$$

$$27a_3 + 9a_2 + 3a_1 + a_0 = 3 + 3b_0$$

$$27a_3 + 9a_2 + 3a_1 + a_0 - 3b_0 = 3 \pmod{7} \rightarrow 6a_3 + 2a_2 + 3a_1 + a_0 + 4b_0 = 3$$

$P(4)$:

$$64a_3 + 16a_2 + 4a_1 + a_0 = 0 \pmod{7} \rightarrow a_3 + 2a_2 + 4a_1 + a_0 = 0$$

$$a_3 = 1$$

$$a_2 = 3$$

$$a_1 = 3$$

$$a_0 = 2$$

$$b_0 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow E(x) = x + 2 = x - 5$$

$$\boxed{e_1 = 5}$$

$$P(x) = \frac{Q(x)}{E(x)} = \frac{x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 2}{x - 5}$$

$$P(x) = x^2 + 8x + 43 \pmod{7}$$

$$P(x) = x^2 + x + 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$P(5) = 5^2 + 5 + 1$$

$$\boxed{= 31}$$

↑ original x-value of packet

$$b) P(x) = a_1 x + a_0 \pmod{13}$$

Alice sends:

$$P(0) = 5$$

$$P(1) = 7$$

$$P(2) = 9$$

$$P(3) = -2 = 11$$

$$P(4) = 0$$

Bob gets:

$$P(0) = 5$$

$$P(1) = 7$$

$$P(2) = x$$

$$P(3) = 5$$

$$P(4) = 0$$

} Eve changes 2 packets

$$a_1 = \frac{7-5}{1-0} = 2$$

$$P(x) = 2x + 5 \pmod{13}$$

$$P(2) = 5 \rightarrow \text{then } P(0) = 5, P(2) = 5 \text{ and } P(3) = 5 \\ \text{so we get } y = 5$$

$$P(2) = 6 \rightarrow \text{then } P(1) = 7, P(2) = 6 \text{ and } P(3) = 5 \\ \text{we get } y = -x + 8$$

$$P(2) = 10 \rightarrow P(3) = 5, P(2) = 10, P(4) = 0$$

} for $x = 5, 6$ and 10 , we have values of x Bob won't be able to determine Alice's message. For each of these x values, a new degree 1 polynomial is formed that leaves 2 points that don't lie on the line. Therefore, Bob might think those 2 points are the changed ones.

c) 6 packets, length $n = 6$

$$n + 2k = 6; k = 1$$

$$n + 2(1) = 6$$

$$n = 4$$

} length: 10

Since there are 6 packets sent through channel X , and we know channel Y will corrupt one packet, we use $n + 2k = 6$ as the formula for general errors. plugging in $k = 1$ we solve for n , which gives us

↑ at most 6 packets

$n = 4$, and $4 + 6 = \text{message of length } 10$.

3) Secret Sharing w/ Spies

- 3 spies

- $N = 10$

$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow n + 2k \\ &\rightarrow n = 4 \quad k = 3 \\ &\quad d = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Since there are 3 spies, we account for 3 general errors, and we want to make sure it's recoverable. We construct a polynomial of degree $d = 3$, where k is the # of errors and n is the amount of points needed to recover.

We need $n + 2k$ for 10 pieces of info to distribute.

$n_1: p(1) \ p(2)$

$n_2: p(2) \ p(3)$

$n_3: p(3) \ p(4)$

$n_4: p(4) \ p(5)$

$n_5: p(5) \ p(6)$

$n_6: p(6) \ p(7)$

$n_7: p(7) \ p(8)$

$n_8: p(8) \ p(9)$

$n_9: p(9) \ p(10)$

$n_{10}: p(10) \ p(1)$

} always recoverable,

4) Counting, Counting and More Counting

a) n 1's and k 0's

$$\hookrightarrow \binom{n+k}{n} = \binom{n+k}{k}$$

$\{0, 1, 2\}$

b) 19 digit ternary bitstrings; no 2 adj. digits are equal

$$\hookrightarrow 3 \cdot 2^{18}$$

c) 13 cards from 52

i) $\binom{52}{13}$

ii) $\binom{48}{13}$

iii) $\binom{48}{9}$

iv.) $\binom{13}{4} \cdot \binom{39}{9}$

\uparrow ways to
choose 4
spades

\uparrow ways to
choose rest of
bridge hand

d) $\frac{104!}{2^{52}}$

e) $\binom{99}{49} + \binom{99}{48} + \dots + \binom{99}{0} \quad \text{or} \quad 2^{98}$

f) ALABAMA

i) $\frac{7!}{4!}$

ii) $\frac{7!}{2!2!}$

h) $\binom{32}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{8!}$

i) $\binom{32}{8}$

g) i) $5!$ ii) $\binom{6}{2} \cdot 4!$

j) $n=6, k=2$

$\boxed{0} \boxed{0} \boxed{0} \boxed{0} \boxed{0} \boxed{0}$

\hookrightarrow 2 possibilities left
for 6 bins

$$\binom{n+k-1}{k} \rightarrow \boxed{\binom{7}{2}}$$

k) $n=20, k=10$

i) $\frac{19 \cdot 17 \cdot 15 \cdot \dots \cdot 3 \cdot 1}{2^{10}}$

2) $\frac{20!}{2^{10} 10!}$

l) $x_0 + x_1 + \dots + x_k = n$
 $\underbrace{\quad}_1 + \underbrace{\quad}_k$
 $\binom{n+k}{k}$

m) $x_0 + x_1 = n$
 $\hookrightarrow n-1$

n) $x_0 + x_1 + \dots + x_k = n$
 $\binom{n-1}{k}$

5) Fermat's Wristband

a) n^p ; n color choices for the first bead, n colors for the second, etc. since we choose p beads, there are n^p possible choices.

b) $n^p - n$; there are n^p ways to arrange p beads w/ up to n colors. we want to consider the complement of using at least 2 colors, which is when you only use one color. since we have n colors, we have 1 possible invalid coloring sequence for each of the n colors, so we subtract n from n^p .

c) $\frac{n^p - n}{p}$; since we still have the constraint that p beads not have all the same color, we still use the expression $n^p - n$, and we divide by p (overcounting factor), since we can rotate each arrangement p ways w/equivalency.

d) Since $\frac{n^p - n}{p}$ is the number of ways to rotate

p beads w/ n colors, it must be an integer, so

$$p \mid n^p - n.$$

$$n^p - n \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$$

$$n^p \equiv n \pmod{p}$$

$$n^{p-1} \cdot n \equiv n \pmod{p}$$

$$n^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\text{Same as } a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

\therefore proven

6) Counting on Graphs + Symmetry


a) $\frac{6!}{24}$; there are $6!$ ways to color the faces of a cube, 6 colors for the first face, 5 colors for the second, etc. For each coloring, there are 4 ways to rotate the cube keeping the top & bottom face fixed. $4 \times 6 \text{ faces} = 24$, divide $6!$ by the overcounting factor 24 to get the total # of ways.

b) $\frac{n!}{n}$; there are $n!$ ways to color a bracelet w/ n colors, n for the first bead, $n-1$ for the second, $n-2$ for the third, etc. Since we can rotate the bracelet n times to achieve equivalent pattern/colorings, we divide by n for the overcounting factor.

c) $\binom{n}{2}$ possible edges $\rightarrow 2^{\binom{n}{2}}$; there are $\binom{n}{2}$ possible edges for the graph, because we choose 2 vertices from n to form an edge. Then, we choose to include or not include that edge, so we get $2^{\binom{n}{2}}$.

d) # arrangements of vertices in cycle

$$\sum_{x=3}^n \binom{n}{x} \frac{(x-1)!}{2}$$

; the shortest cycle has 3 vertices, i.e.  therefore, we start from $x=3$ and end at n . We choose x vertices from each of the n vertices for a cycle, where $3 \leq x \leq n$. then, there are $(x-1)!$ ways to arrange x items in a cycle; we fix one vertex and permute the rest. we divide by overcounting factor of 2 because there are 2 ways to rotate a cycle, clockwise and counter-clockwise.

$$64 = 8^2 = 2^3 = 2^6$$

b is 7-1

symmetry:

1100010

0011101

Set A: 7 bit string
w/more 1's than 0

Set B: 7 bit strings
w/more 0's than 1

$$\text{so } |A| = |B|$$

Total # 7-bit strings
: 2^7

$$|A| + |B| = 2^7$$

$$2 * |A| = 2^6$$

$$\hookrightarrow 2^3$$

0 1 0
1 2 3

← swap

how many 3
digit bit strings
are there?
 2^3

how do we create
overcounting duplicates?

1 _ 1 _ 1 1 _

$$\binom{7}{3} + \binom{7}{2} + \binom{7}{1} + \binom{7}{0}$$

multiply

$\hookrightarrow a \cdot b$ ways to do
 $a + b$

ABCDEF
'CE' + 'A' + 'B' + 'D' + 'F'

g) $\binom{6}{5}$ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
bijection

$$\frac{6!}{(6-4)!} \rightarrow$$

C E _ _ _ _

$$\binom{6}{2} \cdot 4!$$

↑
choose
C + E

dependent
both at same
time

n) $\frac{1}{0} \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{2} \dots \frac{1}{k}$
n balls, amt bins, k-amt balls

$\binom{n-k-1}{k}$

multiset
-choose
same set
more than
or =

$n = k+1$
 $k = n - (k+1)$
 $n - k - 1$

A: string w/C to left of E

B: string w/C to right of E

$$(k+1) - (n-k-1) - 1$$

$$n-k-1$$

$$\hookrightarrow \begin{array}{l} k+1 - n + k + \cancel{k} \\ 2k - n + 1 \end{array}$$