Randomised Algorithms Winter term 2022/2023, Exercise Sheet No. 8

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Exercise 1.

(a) The algorithm described briefly as follows, has a cubic runtime.

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1: for \ 1 \le i \le n, \ 1 \le j \le n \ do

2: \alpha_{i,j} \leftarrow sum([A_{i,k}B_{k,j} : k \in \{1,\dots,n\}])

3: \alpha_{i,j} \leftarrow \alpha_{i,j} - c_{i,j}

4: if \ \alpha_{i,j} \ne 0 \ then

5: return \ 0

6: end \ if

7: end \ for

8: return \ 1
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- (b) Computing x, y, and z requires $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ each, and computing t = y z requires $\mathcal{O}(n)$, hence, the asymptotic runtime of this RA is $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$.
- (c) If $r \neq 0$, the event \mathcal{E} implies the following:
 - $r \in Ker(D)$
 - \bullet r is orthogonal to all rows of D
 - Since $D \neq 0$, there exists at least one row $d_i \neq 0$ s.t: $d_i^{\top} r = 0$

We have:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}[\mathcal{E}] &= \mathbb{P}[Dr = 0 | r = 0] \mathbb{P}[r = 0] + \mathbb{P}[Dr = 0 | r \neq 0] \mathbb{P}[r \neq 0] \\ &= \frac{1}{3^n} + \mathbb{P}[Dr = 0 | r \neq 0] (1 - \frac{1}{3^n}) \end{split}$$
 [1]

For some $k \leq n$, we let, d_1, \ldots, d_k be the rows of D that are not equal to 0. We have:

$$\mathbb{P}[Dr = 0 | r \neq 0] = \mathbb{P}[d_1^\top r = 0, \dots, d_k^\top r = 0 | r \neq 0]$$

$$\leq \mathbb{P}[d_1^\top r = 0 | r \neq 0] \qquad [2]$$

Let $d_{1,j}$ be the last element of d_1 not equal to 0, we have: $d_1^{\top}r = 0$ if and only if after j-1 picks of r_1, \ldots, r_{j-1} , the j^{th} pick (i.e., r_j) is chosen s.t: $-d_{1,j}r_j = \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} d_{1,i}r_i$.

And hence, knowing the values r_1, \ldots, r_{j-1} , we conclude the following:

$$\mathbb{P}[d_1^\top r = 0 | r \neq 0] = \mathbb{P}\left[r_j = \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \frac{-d_{1,i}}{d_{1,j}} r_i | r \neq 0\right] \leq \frac{1}{3}$$

Using [2], we get $\mathbb{P}[Dr = 0|r \neq 0] \leq \frac{1}{3}$, and from [1], we conclude that:

$$\mathbb{P}[\mathcal{E}] \le \frac{1}{3^n} + \frac{1}{3}(1 - \frac{1}{3^n}) \le \frac{1}{3}$$

(d) We can reduce the probability by amplification.

Exercise 2.

(a) We have:

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{P}[X \geq i] &= \sum_{i \geq 1} \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[X = j] \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 1} \sum_{i=1}^{j} \mathbb{P}[X = j] \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 1} \mathbb{P}[X = j] \sum_{i=1}^{j} 1 \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 1} j \mathbb{P}[X = j] = \mathbb{E}[X] \end{split}$$

If X can only take negative values, then:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[X] &= -\mathbb{E}[-X] \\ &= -\sum_{j \geq 1} \mathbb{P}[-X \geq j] \\ &= -\sum_{j \geq 1} \mathbb{P}[X \leq -j] \end{split}$$

(b) Let $\mathbb{P}[X \geq 0] = p_X$, and $\mathbb{P}[Y \geq 0] = p_Y$, we have: $p_X \leq p_Y$, we suppose that $0 < p_X < 1$ and $0 < p_Y < 1$:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[Y] - \mathbb{E}[X] &= p_Y \mathbb{E}[Y|Y>0] + (1-p_Y) \mathbb{E}[Y|Y<0] - p_X \mathbb{E}[X|X>0] - (1-p_X) \mathbb{E}[X|X<0] \\ &= p_Y \mathbb{E}[Y|Y>0] - p_X \mathbb{E}[X|X>0] + (1-p_Y) \mathbb{E}[Y|Y<0] - (1-p_X) \mathbb{E}[X|X<0] \end{split} \qquad \textit{Eq. } \#42 \end{split}$$

We have:

for $i \geq 1$:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}[X \geq i] \leq \mathbb{P}[Y \geq 1] \implies & \sum_{k \geq 1} \mathbb{P}[X \geq k] \leq \sum_{k \geq 1} \mathbb{P}[Y \geq k] \\ \implies & \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\mathbb{P}[X \geq k]}{p_Y} \leq \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\mathbb{P}[Y \geq k]}{p_Y} \\ \implies & p_X \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\mathbb{P}[X \geq k]}{p_X} \leq p_Y \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\mathbb{P}[Y \geq k]}{p_Y} \qquad (as \ p_X \leq p_Y) \\ \implies & p_X \mathbb{E}[X|X > 0] \leq p_Y \mathbb{E}[Y|Y > 0] \quad \textbf{[1]} \quad (using \ the \ result \ of \ the \ past \ question) \end{split}$$

On the other side, we have:

$$\mathbb{E}[X|X<0] = -\sum_{i>1} \frac{\mathbb{P}[X \le -i]}{1 - p_X} \implies (1 - p_X)\mathbb{E}[X|X<0] = -\sum_{i>1} \mathbb{P}[X \le -i]$$

Similarity:

$$(1 - p_Y)\mathbb{E}[Y|Y < 0] = -\sum_{i>1} \mathbb{P}[Y \le -i]$$

Hence,

$$(1 - p_Y)\mathbb{E}[Y|Y < 0] - (1 - p_X)\mathbb{E}[X|X < 0] = \sum_{i \ge 1} \mathbb{P}[X \le -i] - P[Y \le -i]$$
$$= \sum_{i \ge 1} \mathbb{P}[Y \ge i] - P[X \ge i]$$
$$\ge 0 \qquad [2]$$

By using the results in [1] and [2] in Eq. #42, we conclude that $\mathbb{E}[X] \leq \mathbb{E}[Y]$.