

Exercise 2, Discrete Mathematics for Bioinformatics

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2.1 Modulo Arithmetic

a) We show that $\langle a \rangle \subset \langle d \rangle$.

Since $d = \gcd(a, n)$, there is a $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $a = kd$. Hence, if $v \in \langle a \rangle$, i.e. $v = ai \pmod n$, then $v = dki \pmod n$ which implies that $v \in \langle d \rangle$.

b) We show that $\langle a \rangle \supset \langle d \rangle$.

Any element v of $\langle d \rangle$ can be written as $v = di \pmod n$ (*). On the other hand, $v \in \langle a \rangle$ iff $v = aj \pmod n$.

We now use Bezout's lemma to find x, y , such that $ax + ny = d$. This is inserted into (*) to yield

$$v = di \pmod n = (ax + ny)i \pmod n = axi \pmod n.$$

In other words, $v \in \langle a \rangle$. \square

2.2 Hashing

Let x, y be character strings both of length n . Now we can interpret their characters as numbers in radix 2^p , leading to a hash function

$$h(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n x_i 2^{p \cdot i} \pmod{2^p - 1}$$

If y is nothing else than a permutation of the characters in x , then especially their sum of the digits is equal, i.e.

$$\sum_{i=0}^n x_i = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i$$

Proof: $h(x) = h(y)$

$$h(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n x_i 2^{p \cdot i} \bmod 2^p - 1 \quad (1)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n (x_i 2^{p \cdot i} \bmod 2^p - 1) \bmod 2^p - 1 \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n (x_i \bmod 2^p - 1) \left(\underbrace{2^p \bmod 2^p - 1}_1 \right)^i \bmod 2^p - 1 \quad (3)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n x_i \bmod 2^p - 1 \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n y_i \bmod 2^p - 1 \quad (5)$$

$$= h(y) \quad (6)$$

2.3 Hashing

x

2.4 Expected value

Let K = Number of probes accessing occupied slots. We want to show that

$$E(K) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(K \geq i).$$

Proof: We note that $K \geq 0$ and by definition $E(K) < \infty$ so that it is permitted to rearrange the sums. It follows that

$$E(K) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i P(K = i) = \quad (7)$$

$$= 1 \cdot P(K = 1) + 2 \cdot P(K = 2) + 3 \cdot P(K = 3) + \dots \quad (8)$$

$$= P(K = 1) + \quad (9)$$

$$+ P(K = 2) + P(K = 2) + \quad (10)$$

$$+ P(K = 3) + P(K = 3) + P(K = 3) \dots \quad (11)$$

We rearrange this term by columns and obtain due to absolute convergence

$$\begin{aligned} E(K) &= P(K = 1) + P(K = 2) + P(K = 3) + \dots + \\ &\quad + P(K = 2) + P(K = 3) + \dots + \\ &\quad + P(K = 3) + \dots \\ &= q_1 + q_2 + q_3 + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(K \geq i). \square \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$