

1. a. Consider a "broom" graph with nodes  $1, \dots, n$  with edges  $(1, 2), \dots, (n_1 - 1, n_1)$  and edges  $(n_1, i)$  for all  $n_1 < i < n$ , and finally an edge  $(n - 1, n)$ . Then the worst-case  $k$  is  $k = n_1 + 1$  and the worst-case IDs for this case are where  $ID(i) = n - i + 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then what will happen is that in the first  $k$  iterations, each node except for node  $n$  will carry the ID of node 1, and all nodes  $i \geq k$  (other than node  $n$ ) will be of distance exactly  $k$  from node 1. Hence  $n - k$  nodes will be added to the graph. The algorithm terminates on the  $(k + 1)$ st iteration when the message from node  $(n - 1)$  carrying the ID of node 1 reaches node  $n$ .

b. For large (and even)  $n_1$ , the best ID distribution would be to have  $ID(n_1/2) = n$ , and the other ids so that  $ID(i) > ID(j)$  for all  $i$  satisfying  $i = n_1/2 + 2\ell k^*$  for integer  $\ell$  and  $i \leq n_1$  and all  $j$  not satisfying those conditions, where  $k^* = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}n_1}$ . Here the optimal value of  $k$  is also  $k^*$ . In

that case the total number of unique IDs at step  $k = k^*$  is  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}n_1}$ , and the corresponding partitions are arranged along the line  $1, 2, \dots, n_1, n - 1, n$ . In the  $k + 1$ th iterate, the maximal ID travels a distance of 1 to reach the edge of another partition, in the  $k + 2$ nd it travels a distance of  $k^*$  to reach the node with the original ID of that partition, and in the  $k + 3$ rd the maximal ID has completely replaced the ID of that partition. This happens in both left and right directions. In general, it takes 3 iterations for the maximal ID to spread a distance of  $2k^* + 1$  in either direction. The maximum distance of the central node  $n_1/2$  any other node is  $n_1/2$ . Hence it takes about  $k^* + n_1/4k^* = n_1(\sqrt{3}/2 + \sqrt{1/6})$  iterations.

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d.

2. Let  $w^*$  be an optimal weight vector with  $\|w^*\| = 1$  and  $\min |x^T w^*| \geq \delta$ . Let  $w^{(0)} = 0$  and  $w^{(k)}$  denote  $w$  after the  $k$ th mistake, and  $x^{(k)}$  be the feature of the  $k$ th mistake, so that

$$\text{sign}(w^{(k)} x^{(k)}) = -\text{sign}(w^* x^{(k)})$$

and

$$w^{(k+1)} = w^{(k)} - \text{sign}(w^{(k)} x^{(k)}) w^{(k)}$$

Then we have

$$\|w^{(k+1)}\|^2 = \|w^{(k)} - \text{sign}(w^{(k)} x^{(k)}) x^{(k)}\|^2 = \|w^{(k)}\|^2 + \|x^{(k)}\|^2 - |w^{(k)} x^{(k)}| \leq \|w^{(k)}\| + R^2$$

and also

$$\langle w^{(k+1)}, w^* \rangle = \langle w^{(k)} + \text{sign}(w^* x^{(k)}) x^{(k)}, w^* \rangle = \langle w^{(k)}, w^* \rangle + |\langle x^{(k)}, w^* \rangle| \geq \delta$$

These two facts imply by induction that

$$\|w^{(k)}\| \leq R\sqrt{k}$$

and

$$\langle w^{(k)}, w^* \rangle \geq \delta k$$

But now observe that

$$1 \geq \cos(w^{(k)}, w^*) = \frac{\langle w^{(k)}, w^* \rangle}{\|w^*\| \|w\|} \geq \frac{\delta k}{R\sqrt{k}} = \frac{\delta\sqrt{k}}{R}$$

Hence we get

$$k \leq \frac{R^2}{\delta^2}$$

This means that the number of mistakes is bounded by  $\frac{R^2}{\delta^2}$ , since otherwise we would arrive at a contradiction.

**3.**

**4.** a. The communication cost of the shuffle is  $O(n \log n)$  and the communication cost of the reduce is  $O(k)$ .

b. The total communication cost is  $O(Tk)$  and the total time it takes to reduce + broadcast is  $O(T \log k)$ .