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This weighted average is growing asymptotically as a function of $F(N)$ with respect to $O(N^2)$

$$\text{Given } MAX = \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$$

$F(N)$ is the weighted average.

$$F(N) = \frac{(Freq(0) * 0 + Freq(1) * 1 + \dots + Freq(MAX) * MAX)}{n!}$$

And notice $Freq(0) = Freq(Max)$, $Freq(1) = Freq(Max-1)$,

Case 1:

If MAX is even (e.g $n=4$),

Notice $0*1 + 1*3 + 2*5 + 3*6 + 4*5 + 5*3 + 6*1$

can be simplified to $6*1 + 6*3 + 6*5 + 3*6$

$$F(N) = \frac{(MAX * (Freq(0) + \dots + Freq(MAX/2 - 1)) + \frac{MAX}{2} * (Freq(max/2)))}{n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{\frac{N(N-1)}{2} * (\frac{N!}{2} - \frac{Freq(N/2)}{2}) + (\frac{n!}{4} * freq(n/2))}{n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{\frac{n(n-1)}{4} [(n! - freq(n/2) + Freq(n/2))]}{n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{\frac{N(N-1)}{2} * \frac{n!}{2}}{n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{(N(N-1) * N!)}{4N!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{N(N-1)}{4}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{N^2 - N}{4}$$

Case 2:

If MAX is odd (e.g $n=3$),

Notice $0*1 + 1*2 + 2*2 + 3*1$

Can be simplified to $3*1 + 3*2$

Hence,

$$F(N) = \frac{(MAX * (Freq(0) + \dots + Freq(MAX/2)))}{n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{(MAX * (\frac{n!}{2}))}{n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{(\frac{N(N-1)}{2} * \frac{n!}{2})}{n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{(N(N-1) * n!)}{4n!}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{N(N-1)}{4}$$

$$F(N) = \frac{N^2 - N}{4}$$

Hence, we can say that $F(N)$ follows $O(N^2)$.