CS-89.31: Deep Learning Generalization and Robustness Amittai Siavava 04/27/2023

Problem 1.

Model results and discussion.

For even n, the next player N can win as follows:

- (i) Let the squares be numbered $1, 2, \ldots, n$ from left to right.
- (ii) **N** marks the two contiguous squares n/2, n/2 + 1.
- (iii) This leaves two identical positions, each of dimensions $1 \times (\frac{n}{2} 1)$. Since **P** moves first in this new situation, **N** can win by strategy-stealing.

For odd n, the best strategy for the next player is to leave a position with an odd dimension for the other player, since leaving a position with even dimensions loses by the strategy above. The outcome therefore depends on how many such moves can be made before running out — that is,

outcome(G) =
$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{N} & \text{if} & n \pmod{2} \equiv 1 \\ \mathbf{P} & \text{if} & n \pmod{2} \equiv 0 \end{cases}$$

Particularly, $(1 \times 7) \in \mathbf{N}$ and $(1 \times 9) \in \mathbf{P}$.

Therefore, the values of the games are:

Dimensions	Class	Value
(1×7)	N	1
(1×8)	N	1
(1×9)	P	0
(1×10)	N	1

Table 1. Values of $1 \times n$ cram for n = 7, 8, 9, 10