

Fixing a database $x \in X^*$, a quality function $u : X^* \times \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, approximation and probability parameters α, β .

denote: $OPT_u(x) = \max_{r \in \mathcal{R}} (u(x, r))$

if $|R_{OPT}| = 1$, $\Delta u = 1$ and there is a “gap” $OPT_u(x) - \max(R \setminus OPT_u(x)) \geq \alpha$

we get that if

$$OPT_u(x) \geq \frac{2}{\epsilon \alpha} \cdot \ln \left(\frac{|R|}{\beta} \right)$$

it holds that

$$Pr[u(\mathcal{M}(x, u, \mathcal{R})) \neq OPT_u(x)] \leq \beta$$

now denote r as the promise parameter so by definition

$$OPT_u(x) > r$$

if we deal with $u(\cdot)$ s.t $\forall x : u(x) \geq 0$ then

$$r \geq \alpha > 0$$

so if

$$\alpha \geq \frac{2}{\epsilon \alpha} \cdot \ln \left(\frac{|R|}{\beta} \right) \Rightarrow Pr[u(\mathcal{M}(x, u, \mathcal{R})) \neq OPT_u(x)] \leq \beta$$

and that happens when

$$\frac{\alpha^2 \epsilon}{2} \geq \ln \left(\frac{|R|}{\beta} \right) \Leftrightarrow \beta \cdot \exp \left(\frac{\alpha^2 \epsilon}{2} \right) \geq |R|$$

recall that $Adist$ returns a value iff

$$a \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \cdot \ln \left(\frac{1}{\beta \delta} \right)$$

and if that is the case we can “plug in” α and get a bound on $|R|$

$$\beta \cdot \exp \left(\frac{\alpha^2 \epsilon}{2} \right) \geq \beta \cdot \exp \left(\frac{\frac{1}{\epsilon} \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{1}{\beta \delta} \right) \right)^2 \epsilon}{2} \right) = \beta \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\beta \delta} \right)^{\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1}{\beta \delta} \right)} \geq |R|$$

note that for not-so-extreme parameters value we get extreme high bound on domain size.

for example

$$\beta = 0.01, \delta = 2^{-20} \Rightarrow |R| \leq 2^{485}$$