

Plan

Logistics

Hashing Around the Clock

Concentration Inequalities

Load Balancing (Review-ish)

Thanks for coming to games!

Problem set tomorrow

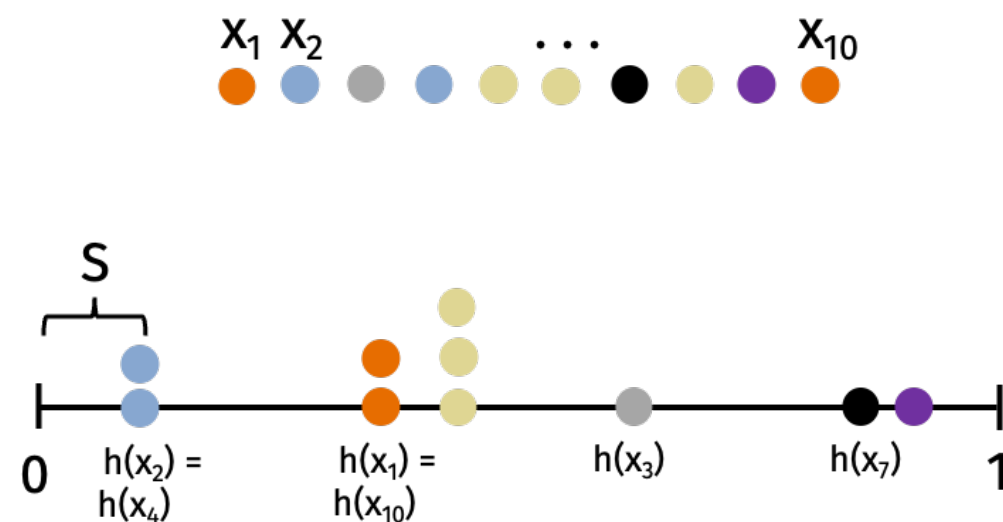
All but one said they liked pace,

↳ I'll (try to) slow down

↳ more group activities

Not available tomorrow,
ask me today!!

Hashing Around the Clock



union bound:

$$\Pr(\text{one server "owns" } c) \leq \frac{1}{10n}$$

$$\Pr(\text{one server "owns" } c) = (1-c)^{n-1} \quad (\text{then a miracle occurs})$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{10n}$$

(1) $\mathbb{E}[\text{requests to move}]$

(2) $\Pr(\text{any server "owns" } c \text{ fraction}) \leq 1/10$

Review in lecture



Concentration Inequalities

Chebyshev gave "disappointing" bound yesterday :

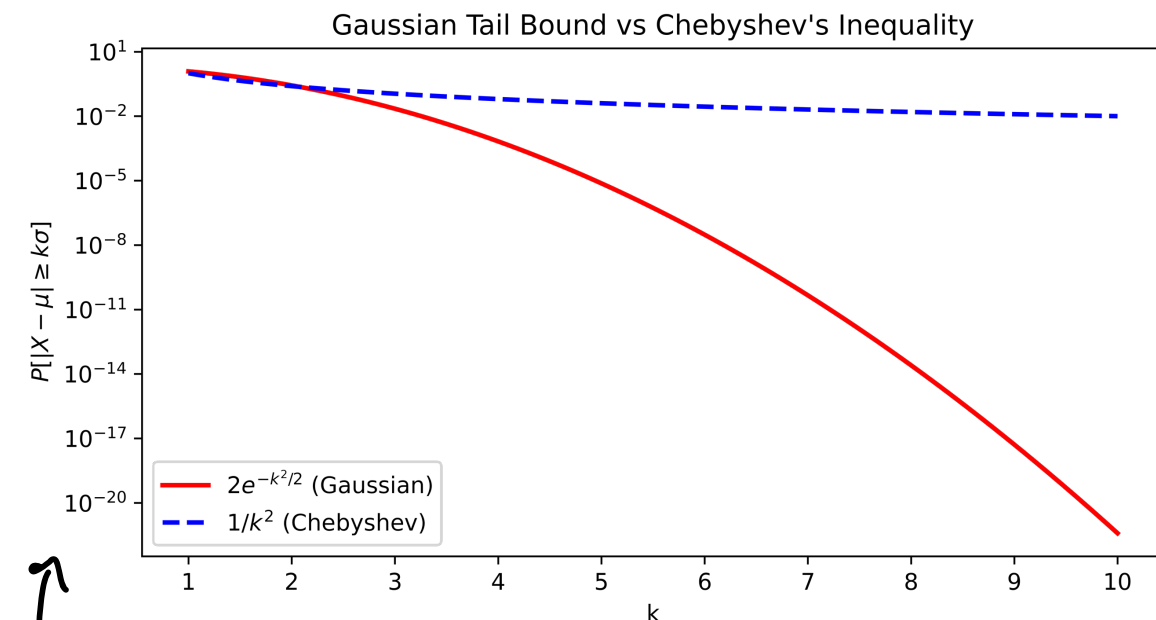
$$\mu = \mathbb{E}[X] \quad \sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X)$$

Chebyshev

$$\Pr(|X - \mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$$

Gaussian X

$$\Pr(|X - \mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq 2e^{-k^2/2}$$



↑
Log scale!!

Is Chebyshev just bad?

We need assumptions!

$$\Pr(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k) \\ = \Pr(X_1 = x_1) \dots \Pr(X_k = x_k)$$

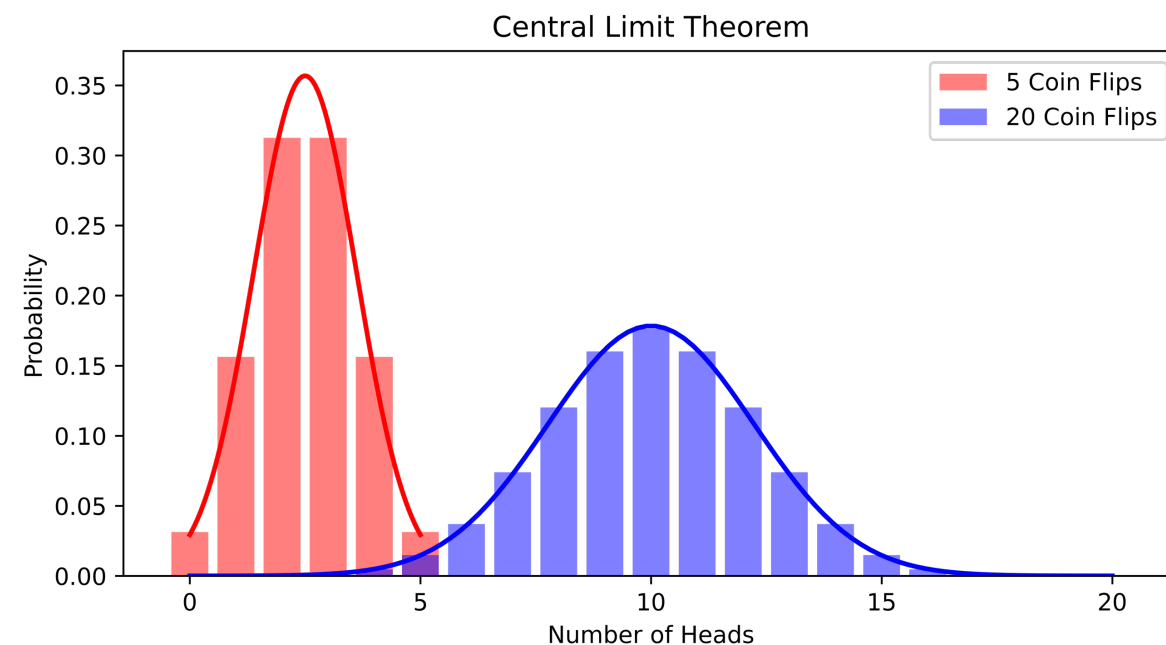
Central Limit Theorem: Any sum of mutually independent and identically distributed random variables X_1, \dots, X_k with mean μ and finite variance σ^2 converges to a Gaussian random variable with mean $k \cdot \mu$ and variance $k \cdot \sigma^2$ as k goes to infinity. Formally,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(k\mu, k\sigma^2).$$

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linearity of variance

linearity of expectation



← better approximation

coin flip

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^{100} C_i$$

$$E[H] = 50$$

$$\text{Var}(H) = 25$$

Chebyshev:

$$\Pr(|X - 50| \geq 20) \leq .0625$$

If CLT held exactly,

$$\Pr(|X - 50| \geq k \cdot 5) \leq 2e^{-k^2/2}$$

$$k = 4$$

$$\Pr(|X - 50| \geq 20) \leq 2 \exp(-16/2) \\ = .00067$$

Let's be formal!

↳ Different forms

↳ Use typed notes and/or wikipedia

↳ Different assumptions \Rightarrow different bounds

← indicator!!

Chernoff Bound: Let X_1, \dots, X_k be independent binary random variables. That is, $X_i \in \{0, 1\}$. Let $p_i = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$ where $0 < p_i < 1$. Choose a parameter $\epsilon > 0$. Then the sum $S = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i$, which has mean $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^k p_i$, satisfies

$$\Pr(S \geq (1 + \epsilon)\mu) \leq \exp\left(\frac{-\epsilon^2 \mu}{2 + \epsilon}\right)$$

and, if $0 < \epsilon < 1$,

$$\Pr(S \leq (1 - \epsilon)\mu) \leq \exp\left(\frac{-\epsilon^2 \mu}{2}\right).$$

$$\Pr(|S - \mu| \geq \epsilon \mu)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 \mu}{2 + \epsilon}\right) + \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 \mu}{2}\right) \\ &\stackrel{*}{\leq} 2 \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 \mu}{3}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} 2 + \epsilon \leq 3 \quad \text{when } \epsilon < 1 \\ \frac{1}{3} \leq \frac{1}{2 + \epsilon} \\ -\frac{1}{2 + \epsilon} \leq -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \end{array} \right. \quad \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 \mu}{2 + \epsilon}\right) \stackrel{*}{\leq} \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 \mu}{3}\right)$$

Less restrictive?

between -1 and 1

Bernstein Inequality: Let X_1, \dots, X_k be independent random variables with each $X_i \in [-1, 1]$. Let $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{E}[X_i]$ and $\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \text{Var}[X_i]$. Then, for any $k \leq \frac{\sigma}{2}$, the sum $S = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i$ satisfies

$$\Pr(|S - \mu| > k\sigma) \leq 2 \exp\left(\frac{-k^2}{4}\right).$$

between a_i and b_i

Hoeffding's Inequality: Let X_1, \dots, X_k be independent random variables with each $X_i \in [a_i, b_i]$. Let $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{E}[X_i]$. Then, for any $k > 0$, the sum $S = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i$ satisfies

$$\Pr(|S - \mu| > k) \leq 2 \exp\left(\frac{-k^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k (b_i - a_i)^2}\right).$$

Coin Flips

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \quad \leftarrow \quad = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{wp } b \\ 0 & \text{wp } 1-b \end{cases}$$

Choose $k \geq \frac{3 \log(2/\delta)}{\epsilon^2}$

(1) $\mathbb{E}[S] = bk$

(2) $\Pr(|S - bk| \geq \epsilon k) \leq \delta$

Load Balancing

m requests to n servers



$$\Pr(\max_i S_i \geq c) \leq 1/10$$

$$\Pr(S_i \geq c) \leq \frac{1}{10n}$$

$$S_i = \sum_{j=1}^m \mathbb{I}[j \text{ goes to } i]$$

↙ binary independent sum!

Chernoff

$$\Pr(S_i \geq 1 + \epsilon) \leq \exp\left(\frac{-\epsilon^2}{2 + \epsilon}\right)$$

$$\exp\left(\frac{-\epsilon^2}{2 + \epsilon}\right) \stackrel{\text{want}}{\leq} \frac{1}{10n} \quad \epsilon \geq 2$$

$$\exp\left(\frac{-\epsilon^2}{2 + \epsilon}\right) \stackrel{\text{want}}{\leq} \exp\left(\frac{-\epsilon^2}{2\epsilon}\right) = \frac{1}{10n}$$

$$-\frac{\epsilon}{2} = \log(1/10n)$$

$$\epsilon = 2 \log(10n)$$

$$\Pr(S_i \geq 1 + \sqrt{3 \log(10n)}) \leq \frac{1}{10n}$$

$$\Pr(S_i \geq O(\log n)) \leq \frac{1}{10n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(\max_i S_i \geq O(\log n)) \leq \frac{1}{10n}$$

Practice: Hash to 2 servers and choose least loaded

$O(\log n)$ or $O(\log \log n)$ or $O(1)$ maximum load?

Log log n on desmos! crazy!

atoms in universe $\approx 10^{82}$

$$\log_{10} \log_{10} 10^{82} = \log_{10} 82 \approx 1.91$$