CS754 Assignment-1

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Question 1

Solution

(a) Probability that $\Omega \cap F = \varnothing$

The total number of $|\Omega|$-element subsets chosen from n frequencies is:

$$\binom{n}{|\Omega|}. \tag{1}$$

The number of ways to choose $|\Omega|$ elements outside the $|F|$ frequencies is:

$$\binom{n - |F|}{|\Omega|}. \tag{2}$$

Thus, the probability that Ω does not intersect F is given by:

$$P(\Omega \cap F = \varnothing) = \frac{\binom{n-|F|}{|\Omega|}}{\binom{n}{|\Omega|}}. \tag{3}$$

(b) Finding an Upper Bound on $P(\Omega \cap F = \varnothing)$

Expanding the binomial coefficient ratio:

$$P(\Omega \cap F = \varnothing) = \prod_{j=0}^{|\Omega|-1} \left(1 - \frac{|F|}{n-j}\right). \tag{4}$$

Using the inequality $1 - u \leq e^{-u}$, we obtain:

$$P(\Omega \cap F = \varnothing) \leq \exp\left(-|F| \sum_{j=0}^{|\Omega|-1} \frac{1}{n-j}\right). \tag{5}$$

Approximating the sum as an integral:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{|\Omega|-1} \frac{1}{n-j} \geq \int_{n-|\Omega|}^{n} \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln\left(\frac{n}{n-|\Omega|}\right). \tag{6}$$

Thus,

$$P(\Omega \cap F = \emptyset) \leq \exp\left(-|F|\ln\left(\frac{n}{n-|\Omega|}\right)\right). \tag{7}$$

This gives us the desired upper bound on the probability that Ω does not intersect F.

$$P(\Omega \cap F = \emptyset) \leq \left(1 - \frac{|\Omega|}{n}\right)^{|F|} \tag{8}$$

(c) Deriving a Lower Bound on $|\Omega|$

We require $P(\Omega \cap F = \emptyset) \leq n^{-M}$ for some $M > 0$. This ensures reconstruction is possible with probability at least $1 - n^{-M}$.

$$\exp\left(-|F|\ln\left(\frac{n}{n-|\Omega|}\right)\right) \leq n^{-M}. \tag{9}$$

Taking the natural logarithm:

$$-|F|\ln\left(\frac{n}{n-|\Omega|}\right) \leq -M\ln n. \tag{10}$$

Rearrange:

$$|F|\ln\left(\frac{n}{n-|\Omega|}\right) \geq M\ln n. \tag{11}$$

Using the approximation $\ln(1-x) \approx -x$ for small x, we get:

$$|F|\frac{|\Omega|}{n} \geq M\ln n. \tag{12}$$

Solving for $|\Omega|$:

$$|\Omega| \geq \frac{Mn\ln n}{|F|}. \tag{13}$$

Thus, the required number of sampled frequencies grows logarithmically with n and is inversely proportional to $|F|$.