

# Solutions to Qishi Quiz Two

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## 1 Math/Stat

### Problem 1 (Yupeng Li)

A  $\chi^2$  test (or chi-square test), is to test whether the sampling distribution is a chi-square distribution with the null hypothesis is true. A chi-squared test can then be used to reject the hypothesis that the data are independent.

The chi-squared distribution (also chi-square or  $\chi^2$ -distribution) with  $k$  degrees of freedom is the distribution of a sum of the squares of  $k$  independent standard normal random variables  $Z$ .  $Q = \sum_i Z_i^2$ .

Due to the central limit theorem, the sum or average of random variables are iid and normally distributed, which is often used as the test samples, and makes the chi-squared test valid in many cases.

### Problem 2 (Jie Wang)

Recall a well known fact that one can visit each edge of a (connected) graph  $G$  **exactly once** if and only if the number of vertices of odd degree is either 0 or 2 (the degree of a vertex  $v$  of  $G$  is the number of edges passing through that vertex in question). Our graph  $G$  in question has 6 vertices of degree 3, namely  $T_1, T_2$  on the top side,  $B_1, B_2$  on the bottom side,  $L$  on the left side and  $R$  on the right side. Thus there is no way to find a path to visit all edges exactly once. However, if we make two auxiliary edges connecting  $T_1, T_2$  and  $B_1, B_2$ , then there are only two vertices of degree 3 left, namely  $L$  and  $R$ . One can find a path to visiting each edge of the new graph  $G'$  exactly once. This path has length 19 since the new graph has 19 edges. This means on the original graph  $G$ , there exists a path of length 19 to visit all edges (the path will visit edges  $T_1T_2$  and  $B_1B_2$  twice and all other edges once). It is easy to show this is the shortest path possible.

### Problem 3 (Si Chen)

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(X \leq x | X + Y > 0) &= 2 * \Pr(X \leq x, X + Y > 0) \\ &= 2 * \int_{-\infty}^x \Pr(X + Y > 0 | X = z) \phi(z) dz \\ &= 2 * \int_{-\infty}^x \Phi(z) \phi(z) dz.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the density of  $X | X + Y > 0$  is

$$2\Phi(x)\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} dy.$$

#### Problem 4 (Yupeng Li)

#### Problem 5 (Jie Wang)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be the random variable representing two of pieces, the third piece has length  $1 - X - Y$ . Thus  $X$  and  $Y$  are i.i.d with  $\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$  distribution. We compute the c.d.f  $F_{\max}$  of  $\max X, Y, 1 - X - Y$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\max}(t) : &= \mathbb{P}(\max\{X, Y, 1 - X - Y\} \leq t \mid X + Y \leq 1) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(X \leq t, Y \leq t, 1 - X - Y \leq t \mid X + Y \leq 1) \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(X \leq t, Y \leq t, 1 - t \leq X + Y \leq 1)}{\mathbb{P}(X + Y \leq 1)} \end{aligned}$$

We easily compute that

$$F_{\max}(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t \leq \frac{1}{3}, \\ (3t - 1)^2 & \frac{1}{3} < t \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ 1 - 3(1 - t)^2 & \frac{1}{2} < t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

We further compute the density function and then the expectation

$$\mathbb{E}_{\max} = \frac{11}{18}.$$

One can similarly compute the c.m.f of  $\min\{X, Y, 1 - X - Y\}$ :

$$F_{\min}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - (1 - 3t)^2 & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{3} \\ 1 & t > \frac{1}{3}. \end{cases}$$

The expectation is  $\mathbb{E}_{\min} = \frac{1}{9}$ . The middle piece therefore has expectation  $\frac{5}{18}$ .

#### Problem 6 (Xian Xu)

(1)

Let  $X_i$  denote an indicator variable which is equal to 1 if the  $i$ th person picks his/her own hat. Clearly,

$$\mathbb{E}(X_i) = \Pr(X_i = 1) = \frac{(N - 1)!}{N!} = \frac{1}{N}.$$

Therefore

$$\mathbb{E}(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}(X_i) = N * \frac{1}{N} = 1.$$

(2)

For person  $i$  and  $j$ , the covariance between  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) &= \mathbb{E}(X_i X_j) - \mathbb{E}(X_i) \mathbb{E}(X_j) \\ &= \Pr(X_i = 1, X_j = 1) - \frac{1}{N^2} \\ &= \frac{(N - 2)!}{N!} - \frac{1}{N^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{N^2(N - 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^N \text{Var}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = N * \left( \frac{1}{N} - \frac{1}{N^2} \right) + N(N - 1) * \frac{1}{N^2(N - 1)} = 1.$$

(3)

Start from simple cases:  $E[R(2)] = 2$ ;  $E[R(3)] = 1 + \frac{1}{3}E[R(3)] + \frac{1}{2}E[R(2)]$ , which gives us  $E[R(3)] = 3$ . Therefore my educated guess for the general case would be  $E[R(N)] = N$ , and I'll prove that by induction.

Suppose the conclusion holds for all  $n < N$ . When  $n = N$ , let's continue to use  $Y$  as the number of people who select their own hats at the first round. Then it follows from the conditional-expectation formula that

$$\begin{aligned}
E[R(N)] &= \sum_{k=0}^N E[R(N)|Y = k] \Pr(Y = k) \\
&= 1 + \Pr(Y = 0) * E[R(N)] + \sum_{k=1}^N E[R(N - k)] \Pr(Y = k) \\
&= 1 + \Pr(Y = 0) * E[R(N)] + \sum_{k=1}^N (N - k) \Pr(Y = k) \\
&= 1 + \Pr(Y = 0) * E[R(N)] + [1 - \Pr(Y = 0)] * N - \sum_{k=0}^N k \Pr(Y = k) \\
&= 1 + \Pr(Y = 0) * E[R(N)] + [1 - \Pr(Y = 0)] * N - E(Y) \\
&= \Pr(Y = 0) * E[R(N)] + [1 - \Pr(Y = 0)] * N,
\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows from part (1). Now it is super clear that  $E[R(N)] = N$ . QED.

(4)

Again let's start from simple cases:  $E[S(2)] = 4 = \frac{1}{2} * 2 * (2+2)$ ;  $E[S(3)] = 3 + \frac{1}{3}E[S(3)] + \frac{1}{2}E[S(2)] = \frac{10}{3} = \frac{1}{2} * 3 * (3+2)$ . Therefore my educated guess for the general case would be  $E[S(N)] = \frac{1}{2}N(N+2)$ , and I'll still prove that by induction.

Suppose the conclusion holds for all  $n < N$ . When  $n = N$ , it follows from the conditional-expectation formula that

$$\begin{aligned}
E[S(N)] &= \sum_{k=0}^N E[S(N)|Y = k] \Pr(Y = k) \\
&= N + \Pr(Y = 0) * E[S(N)] + \sum_{k=1}^N E[S(N - k)] \Pr(Y = k) \\
&= N + \Pr(Y = 0) * E[S(N)] + \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{2}(N - k)(N - k + 2) \Pr(Y = k) \\
&= N + \Pr(Y = 0) * E[S(N)] + [1 - \Pr(Y = 0)] * \frac{1}{2}N(N + 2) - (N + 1) * E(Y) + \frac{1}{2} * \text{Var}(Y) \\
&= \Pr(Y = 0) * E[S(N)] + [1 - \Pr(Y = 0)] * \frac{1}{2}N(N + 2),
\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows from part (1) and (2). Now it is super clear that  $E[S(N)] = \frac{1}{2}N(N + 2)$ . QED.

(5)

The expected number of false selections made by one of the  $N$  people is equal to

$$\frac{E[S(N)] - N}{N} = \frac{1}{2}N.$$

## Problem 7 (Si Chen)

Introducing a new feature into linear regression will not decrease the  $R^2$  value, so the  $R^2$  of model 3 should not be smaller than 0.2. If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are totally uncorrelated,  $R^2$  will be 0.3. The range should be  $[0.2, 0.3]$

## Problem 8 (Xian Xu)

This solution is motivated by <http://jeremykun.com/2014/02/12/simulating-a-biased-coin-with-a-fair-coin/>. The Python code is presented as follows:

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```
def biasedCoin(binaryDigitStream, fairCoin):
    for d in binaryDigitStream:
        if fairCoin() != d:
            return d

def binaryDigitsStream(fraction):
    while True:
        fraction *= 2
        yield int(fraction)
        fraction = fraction % 1

def fairCoin():
    return random.choice([0,1])
```

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The main function `biasedCoin()` takes two arguments: one is `binaryDigitsStream()`, an iterator representing the binary expansion of probability  $\frac{1}{n}$ ; the other is `fairCoin()`, which returns 1 or 0 with equal probability.

The `biasedCoin()` function returns 1(heads) with probability  $\frac{1}{n}$ , and the reasoning is as follows: we use `fairCoin()` to generate a series of random bits, until one of our random bits is different from the corresponding bit in the binary expansion of  $\frac{1}{n}$ . If we stop after  $i$  steps, that means that the first  $i - 1$  bits in the two binary sequences were the same, which happens with probability  $\frac{1}{2^{i-1}}$ . Given that this happens, in the  $i$ th step we will return the  $i$ th bit of  $\frac{1}{n}$ ; let us denote this bit by  $b_i$ . Therefore the probability of returning 1 is  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_i}{2^i}$ , which is the binary expansion of  $\frac{1}{n}$ .

## Problem 9 (Yuanda Xu)

## 2 Programming

### Problem 10 (Yupeng Li)

This is about the const in variable, function and class members.

The first const int \*: the fun return type is a pointer of int type and the returned int value is constant.

The second const fun(): returned pointer of fun is constant, meaning the value of pointer can't be changed.

The third const int\*: like the first, argument is a pointer to int type and the value of int is constant.

The forth const& p: p is a pointer with same reference as the passed variable and it's value can't be change.

The fifth const: the fun member in the class is a constant member function, saying it can't change any class member in the fun function and the object which use this fun function will be required as constant object too.

### Problem 11 (Si Chen)

Idea comes from [http://www.algolist.net/Data\\_structures/Singly-linked\\_list/Removal](http://www.algolist.net/Data_structures/Singly-linked_list/Removal). There are three cases, which can occur while removing the node:

- a. Remove first. It can be done in two steps:
  - Update head link to point to the node, next to the head.
  - Dispose removed node.
- b. Remove last. In this case, last node (current tail node) is removed from the list. This operation is a bit more tricky, than removing the first node, because algorithm should find a node, which is previous to the tail first. It can be done in three steps:
  - Update tail link to point to the node, before the tail. In order to find it, list should be traversed first, beginning from the head.
  - Set next link of the new tail to NULL.
  - Dispose removed node.
- c. General case.
  - Update next link of the previous node, to point to the next node, relative to the removed node.
  - Dispose removed node.

The C++ code is as follows:

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```
void SinglyLinkedList::removeFirst() {
    if (head == NULL) return;
    else {
        SinglyLinkedListNode *removedNode;
        removedNode = head;
        if (head == tail) {
            head = NULL;
            tail = NULL;
        } else {
            head = head->next;
        }
        delete removedNode;
    }
}

void SinglyLinkedList::removeLast() {
    if (tail == NULL) return;
    else {
        SinglyLinkedListNode *removedNode;
        removedNode = tail;
```

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        if (head == tail) {
            head = NULL;
            tail = NULL;
        } else {
            SinglyLinkedListNode *previousToTail = head;
            while (previousToTail->next != tail)
                previousToTail = previousToTail->next;
            tail = previousToTail;
            tail->next = NULL;
        }
        delete removedNode;
    }
}

void SinglyLinkedList::removeNext(SinglyLinkedListNode *previous) {
    if (previous == NULL) removeFirst();
    else if (previous->next == tail) {
        SinglyLinkedListNode *removedNode = previous->next;
        tail = previous;
        tail->next = NULL;
        delete removedNode;
    } else if (previous == tail) return;
    else {
        SinglyLinkedListNode *removedNode = previous->next;
        previous->next = removedNode->next;
        delete removedNode;
    }
}

```

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## Problem 12 (Jie Wang)

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#include <iostream>
#include<vector>
using namespace std;

template<typename T>

class Matrix
{
public:
    Matrix(int A, int B, T t):RowNumber(A),ColNumber(B) //constructor innitalize A*B matrix with entries t.
    {
        MyMatrix.resize(A);
        for(int i=0;i<A;i++)
            MyMatrix[i].resize(B,t);
    }

    Matrix(const Matrix& OneMatrix):RowNumber(OneMatrix.RowNumber),ColNumber(OneMatrix.ColNumber) //copy
        constructor
    {
        MyMatrix.resize(RowNumber);
        for(int i=0;i<RowNumber;i++)
            MyMatrix[i].resize(ColNumber);
        for(int i;i<RowNumber;i++)
            for(int j=0;j<ColNumber;j++)
                MyMatrix[i][j]=OneMatrix.MyMatrix[i][j];
    }
}

```

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Matrix& operator=(const Matrix& OneMatrix) //overloading assignment operator
{
    if(RowNumber!=OneMatrix.RowNumber||ColNumber!=OneMatrix.ColNumber)
    {cout<<"The matrices do not match."<<endl;
    throw -1;
    }
    for(int i=0;i<RowNumber;i++)
    for(int j=0;j<ColNumber;j++)
    MyMatrix[i][j]=OneMatrix.MyMatrix[i][j];
    return *this;
}

Matrix operator+(const Matrix& AnotherMatrix) //overloading +
{
    if(RowNumber!=AnotherMatrix.RowNumber||ColNumber!=AnotherMatrix.ColNumber)
    {cout<<"The matrices do not match."<<endl;
    throw -1 ;
    }
    else
    {Matrix A(RowNumber,ColNumber,0);
    for(int i=0;i<RowNumber;i++)
    for(int j=0;j<ColNumber;j++)
    A.MyMatrix[i][j]=MyMatrix[i][j]+AnotherMatrix.MyMatrix[i][j];
    return A;
    }
}

Matrix operator-(const Matrix& AnotherMatrix) //overloading -
{
    if(RowNumber!=AnotherMatrix.RowNumber||ColNumber!=AnotherMatrix.ColNumber)
    {cout<<"The matrices do not match."<<endl;
    throw -1 ;
    }
    else
    {Matrix A(RowNumber,ColNumber,0);
    for(int i=0;i<RowNumber;i++)
    { for(int j=0;j<ColNumber;j++)
    A.MyMatrix[i][j]=MyMatrix[i][j]-AnotherMatrix.MyMatrix[i][j];
    }
    return A;
    }
}

Matrix operator*(const Matrix& AnotherMatrix) //overloading matrix multiplication
{
    if(ColNumber!=AnotherMatrix.RowNumber)
    {throw "The matrices can not be multiplied";
    }
    Matrix A(RowNumber,AnotherMatrix.ColNumber,0);
    for(int i=0;i<RowNumber;i++)
    for(int j=0;j<AnotherMatrix.ColNumber;j++)
    { for(int k=0;k<ColNumber;k++)
    A.MyMatrix[i][j]+=MyMatrix[i][k]*AnotherMatrix.MyMatrix[k][j];
    }
    return A;
}

```

```

T& operator()(int A, int B)
{
    if(A>=RowNumber||B>=ColNumber||A<0||B<0)

        throw "Position not available";

    return MyMatrix[A][B];
}

void print()
{
    for(int i=0;i<RowNumber;i++)
    { cout<<"\n";
      for(int j=0;j<ColNumber;j++)
        cout<<MyMatrix[i][j]<<'\\t';}
    cout<<'\\n';
}
private:
int RowNumber;
int ColNumber;
vector<vector<T>> MyMatrix;
};

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### Problem 13 (Xian Xu)

The answer to first part is NO. When calling a constructor, the caller needs to know the exact type of the object to be created, and thus they cannot be virtual.

That being said, it is still possible to realize a similar function as a virtual constructor. See the following two URLs for implementation details:

- <http://www.geeksforgeeks.org/advanced-c-virtual-constructor/>
- <http://www.geeksforgeeks.org/advanced-c-virtual-copy-constructor/>

### Problem 14 (Yuanda Xu)

### Problem 15 (Yupeng Li)

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```

string getMaxPalindrome(string s) {
    bool isPalindrome[s.size()][s.size()];

    int maxlen = 0, maxst=0;
    for (int i = 0; i < s.size(); i++) {
        isPalindrome[i][i] = true;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < s.size() - 1; i++) {
        isPalindrome[i][i + 1] = (s[i] == s[i + 1]);
        if (isPalindrome[i][i+1]) {maxlen = 1;maxst=i;}
    }

    for (int length = 2; length < s.size(); length++) {
        for (int start = 0; start + length < s.size(); start++) {
            isPalindrome[start][start + length] = isPalindrome[start + 1][start + length - 1] && s[start]
                == s[start + length];
            if (isPalindrome[start][start+length]&& (length > maxlen)) {
                maxlen = length;
                maxst = start;
            }
        }
    }
}

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        }
    }
}
return s.substr(maxst, maxlen+1);
}

```

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## Problem 16 (Xian Xu)

Assume there are no leading or trailing spaces in the input sentence, and the words are always separated by a single space. The idea is to first reverse each word and then reverse the whole string. Here is a C++ implementation:

```

void reverseWords(string& s) {
    string::iterator begin = s.begin();
    string::iterator end = s.begin();

    // First reverse each word
    while (end != s.end()) {
        if (*end == ' ') {
            reverse(begin, end);
            begin = end + 1;
        }
        end++;
    }
    reverse(begin, end);

    // Then reverse the whole string
    reverse(s.begin(), s.end());
}

```

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## Problem 17 (Yuanda Xu)

## Problem 18