Title: hw4

0.1 Limited Interview Slots

(A) let
$$D_i(X) = P(\text{observed candidate i's quality} = X)$$

LP:

$$max \sum_{u} y_{iu} * u$$

s.t.
$$\sum_{u} y_{iu} D_i(u) \ll x_i$$
, for all i

$$\sum_{i,u} y_{iu} \ll 1$$

$$\sum_i x_i \ll k$$

0.2 Adaptive Learning

The denotations are as below:

 t_1 : The begin time stamp

 t_2 : The end time stamp after a block of some steps

B: The expert with the minimum mistakes during the block

m: The amount of minimum mistakes made by B during the block

M: The amount of mistakes made by ALG during the block

First, we derive the lower bound of w_{B,t_1}

If $w_{B,t_1-1} \geq \frac{W_{t_1-1}}{4n}$ and B made a mistake between t_1-1 and t_1

Then we have:

$$w_{B,t_1} \ge \frac{1}{2} \frac{W_{t_1-1}}{4n} \ge \frac{W_{t_1}}{8n}$$

Second, we derive the relation between W_t and W_{t+1} whenever ALG makes a mistake

$$\begin{split} W_{t+1} &= \sum_{i: \ correct} w_{i,t} + \sum_{i: \ wrong, \ w_{i,t} < \frac{W_t}{4n}} w_{i,t} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i: \ wrong, \ w_{i,t} \ge \frac{W_t}{4n}} w_{i,t} \\ &= W_t - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i: \ wrong, \ w_{i,t} \ge \frac{W_t}{4n}} w_{i,t} \\ &\leq W_t - \frac{1}{2} \frac{W_t}{4n} \\ &= W_t (1 - \frac{1}{8n}) \end{split}$$

Finally, combining above we get:

$$\frac{W_{t_1}}{8n} (\frac{1}{2})^m \le w_{B,t_1} (\frac{1}{2})^m \le w_{B,t_2} \le W_{t_2} \le W_{t_1} (1 - \frac{1}{8n})^M$$

$$(\frac{1}{2})^m \le 8n(1 - \frac{1}{8n})^M$$

$$(Apply \log_2 \ operation)$$

$$m * \log_2 \frac{1}{2} \le 3 + \log_2 n + M * \log_2 (1 - \frac{1}{8n})$$

$$M \le \frac{m + \log_2 n + 3}{\log_2 (1 - \frac{1}{8n})} \ (Since \ \log_2 (1 - \frac{1}{8n}) \ is \ negative)$$

$$= O(m + \log_2 n)$$

0.3 Sleeping Experts

(A) Step1, when t = 0, $W_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_{i,0} = n$. Step2, denote W'_t the summation of all weights at timestamp t. Assuming $W'_t \leq n$ Step3, by definition, we can deduct as below:

$$\begin{split} W_{t+1} &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1+\epsilon)^{R_{i,t}} w_{i,t} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1+R_{i,t}\epsilon) w_{i,t} = W_t + \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^{n} R_{i,t} w_{i,t} \\ &= W_t + \epsilon \left[\frac{\sum_{j} p_{j,t} c_{j,t}}{1+\epsilon} W_t - \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i,t} w_{i,t} \right] \\ &= W_t + \frac{\epsilon}{1+\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i,t} w_{i,t} - \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i,t} w_{i,t} \\ &= W_t + \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i,t} w_{i,t} (\frac{1}{1+\epsilon} - 1) \quad (Since \ \frac{1}{1+\epsilon} - 1 \ is \ negative) \\ &< W_t \end{split}$$

Since both the awake experts' weights summation and sleeping experts' weights' summation do not increase during update, we concludes: $W'_{t+1} \leq n$ Hence, by induction we complete the proof.

(B) Let
$$\beta = \frac{1}{1+\epsilon}$$
. Then, $W_{i,t+1} = W_{i,t}\beta^{c_{i,t}-\beta E[c_t]}$

And the weight of expert i at time T is: $w_{i,T} = \prod_{t>=0,t\in T_i} \beta^{c_{i,t}-\beta E[c_t]}$

From part A),
$$w_{i,T} <= n$$
.
 $n <= w_{i,T} = \beta^{\sum_{t>=0, t \in T_i} (c_{i,t} - \beta E[c_t])}$

If we log both sides, we can get: $log_{\beta}n > = \sum_{t>=0, t\in T_i} c_{i,t} - \beta \sum_{t>=0, t\in T_i} E[c_t]$

$$log_{\beta}n > = cost_i(i) - \beta cost_i(ALG)$$

Then, we change the base of log, we can get $cost_i(ALG) \le (1+\epsilon)cost_i(i) + \frac{1+\epsilon}{log(1+\epsilon)}logn$

When ϵ is very small, $\frac{1+\epsilon}{\log(1+\epsilon)} \approx \frac{1}{\epsilon}$. Thus we can prove that, $cost_i(ALG) <= (1+\epsilon)cost_i(i) + O(\frac{1}{\epsilon}logn)$