

Chernoff bound/inequality:-

Statement:- Let X_1, \dots, X_n be arbitrary r.v. with $P_i = \Pr(X_i=1)$. Then $N = \sum_{i=1}^n P_i$ is the expected value & it holds that,

$$\Pr\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i > (1+\beta)N\right) \leq \left(\frac{e^\beta}{(1+\beta)^{1+\beta}}\right)^N.$$

Lets relatively consider the expression,

$$\Pr\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \geq t\right) = P\left(e^{a \sum_{i=1}^n X_i} > e^{at}\right)$$

by using Markov's inequality, of $P(X \geq t) \leq \frac{E[X]}{t}$,

$$\leq \frac{E\left[e^{a \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}\right]}{e^{at}}$$

$$\leq e^{-at} E\left[e^{a \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}\right]$$

$$\leq e^{-at} \prod_{i=1}^n E\left[e^{a X_i}\right]$$

let $t = (1+\beta)N$. and

$$a = \ln(1+\beta).$$

$$P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \leq (1+\beta)N\right) \leq e^{-\ln(1+\beta) \cdot (1+\beta)N} \prod_{i=1}^n E\left[e^{\ln(1+\beta) X_i}\right]$$

(by logarithmic rules)

$$\leq (1+\beta)^{-N(1+\beta)} \prod_{i=1}^n E\left[(1+\beta)^{X_i}\right]$$

$E[(1+\beta)^{X_i}]$ with $X_i \in [0,1]$, given $P_i = P_r(X_i=1)$.
with Prob of P_i , ($X_i=1$), thus.

$$\begin{aligned} E[(1+\beta)^{X_i}] &= P_i(1+\beta) + (1-P_i)(1) \\ &= P_i(1+\beta) + (1-P_i) \\ &= P_i + \beta P_i + 1 - P_i \\ &= 1 + \beta P_i \quad (1+ax = e^{ax}) \\ &\leq e^{\beta P_i} \end{aligned}$$

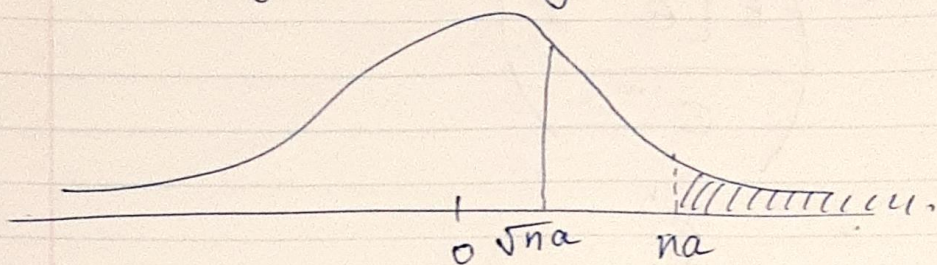
thus replacing it in the main expression

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \leq (1+\beta)N\right) &\leq (1+\beta)^{-N(1+\beta)} \prod_{i=1}^n e^{\beta P_i} \\ &\leq (1+\beta)^{-N(1+\beta)} e^{\sum_{i=1}^n \beta P_i} \\ &\leq (1+\beta)^{-N(1+\beta)} e^{\beta N} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{e^{\beta N}}{(1+\beta)^{N(1+\beta)}}$$

$$= \left[\frac{e^{\beta}}{(1+\beta)^{(1+\beta)}} \right]^N$$

Hoeffding's inequality: - Proof (General).



Hoeffding's inequality: - If x_i is equally likely to be -1 or 1 and $a > 0$ then.

$$P(x_1 + \dots + x_n \geq na) \leq e^{-na^2/2}.$$

Consider,

$x_1 + \dots + x_n \geq na$
we relatively write it as, $e^{\delta(x_1 + \dots + x_n)} \geq e^{\delta na}$,
where $\delta > 0$ (assumption).

$$P(e^{\delta(x_1 + \dots + x_n)} > e^{\delta na}) \leq \frac{E[e^{\delta(x_1 + \dots + x_n)}]}{e^{\delta na}}$$

given by Markov's inequality of,

$$P(x \geq a) \leq \frac{E[x]}{a}$$

Thus

$$= \frac{E[e^{\delta x_1 + \dots + \delta x_n}]}{e^{\delta na}}$$

$$= E[e^{\delta x_1} \dots e^{\delta x_n}] / e^{\delta na}$$

Since all x_i ' are i.i.d,

$$= (E[e^{\delta x_1}])^n / e^{\delta na}$$

$$= \left(\frac{E[e^{sX_1}]}{e^{sa}} \right)^n$$

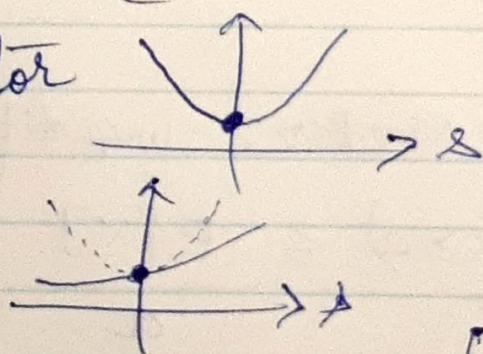
$$= e^n$$

Since we have our $X_i \in [0, 1]$,

$$\left(\frac{E[e^{sX_1}]}{e^{sa}} \right)^n = \left(\frac{E\left[\frac{1}{2}(e^s + e^{-s})\right]}{e^{sa}} \right)^n$$

$$= \left[\frac{\frac{1}{2}(e^s + e^{-s})}{e^{sa}} \right]^n$$

On seeing numerator
the denominator



On conclusion, for small 's',
If $s=a$,

$$\boxed{e < 1}$$

$$\leq e^{-na^2/2}$$

$$\therefore P[X_1 + \dots + X_n \geq na] \leq e^{-na^2/2}$$

Hence proved.