

## Comp Sci 212

1. Chernoff bounds

2. Graphs

Chernoff bounds (law of large number, CS)

Thm: If  $R_1, \dots, R_n$  independent random variables, s.t.  $R_i: S \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ ,  $E[R_i] = 0$ , positive  $\nu$ 

$$\Pr[R_1 + \dots + R_n \geq \nu n] \leq e^{-\frac{\nu^2}{4}}$$

Bell curve

Proof. By other Chernoff  
 $\Pr[R_1 + \dots + R_n \geq \nu n] \leq \frac{E[e^{t(R_1 + \dots + R_n)}]}{e^{\nu n}}$

 $t > 0$ 

$$R_1 + \dots + R_n \geq n$$

If  $R_1, \dots, R_n$  are ind., so is  $e^{tR_1}, \dots, e^{tR_n}$ 

$$E[e^{t(R_1 + \dots + R_n)}] = E[e^{tR_1}] E[e^{tR_2}] \dots E[e^{tR_n}]$$

$$E[e^{t(R_1 + \dots + R_n)}] = E[1 + tR_1 + \frac{t^2 R_1^2}{2} + \frac{t^3 R_1^3}{3!} + \dots]$$

Taylor series

$$= E[1] + E[tR_1] + E[\frac{t^2 R_1^2}{2}] + \dots$$

(linearity of expectation)

$$= 1 + \sum_{i=2}^n E\left[\frac{t^i R_i^i}{i!}\right]$$

$$\leq 1 + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{t^i}{i!} \quad (R_i \leq 1)$$

$$\leq 1 + t^2 \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{1}{i!} \quad (t \leq 1)$$

$$\leq 1 + t^2 e \quad (t \leq e)$$

(because  $e \leq e$ )

$$\leq e \quad (t \leq e)$$

$$E[e^{t(R_1 + \dots + R_n)}] \leq e^{\nu t}$$

$$\Pr[R_1 + \dots + R_n \geq \nu n] \leq e^{\nu t - \nu n}$$

let  $t = \frac{\nu}{2e^{\nu}}$ 

$$= e^{\frac{\nu^2}{4e^{\nu}} - \frac{\nu^2}{2e^{\nu}}} = e^{-\frac{\nu^2}{4e^{\nu}}}$$

 $t \leq 1 \Rightarrow$  $0 \leq 2e^{\nu}$  $\square$ Graphs Def. (Graph) Pair, Vertex set  $V$ , Edge set  $E \subseteq V \times V$  $G = (V, E)$  vertices  $E \subseteq V \times V$ 

graph

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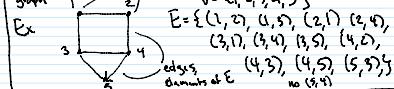
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4

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edges

elements of  $E$ no  $(3, 4)$ no  $(5, 4)$ 

10,000 coins (instead of 100)

$$\Pr[R_1 + \dots + R_n \geq 1000] \leq 0.0001 \text{ (Chernoff)}$$

$$1000 / 10,000 = 0.025 \text{ (Chernoff)}$$

Comparison to Chebyshev (because  $E[R_i^2] \leq 1$ )

$$\text{Var}[R_1 + \dots + R_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}[R_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[R_i^2]$$

$$\leq n \text{ (because } E[R_i^2] \leq 1)$$

$$\Pr[R_1 + \dots + R_n \geq \nu n] \leq \frac{n}{\nu n} = \frac{1}{\nu} \text{ (Chebyshev)}$$

$$e^{-\frac{\nu^2}{4e^{\nu}}} = O(\frac{1}{\nu}) \quad e^{-\frac{\nu^2}{4e^{\nu}}} \text{ (Chernoff)}$$

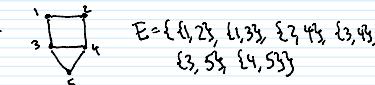
Graphs can represent

Social networks,  $V = \text{people}$ ,  $E = \text{friendships}$ Transportation networks  $V = \text{shops}$ ,  $E = \text{routes}$ Applications  $V = \text{people, jobs}$ ,  $E = \text{applications}$ 

Types of graphs

Directed graphs -  $(v_i, v_j) \in E$  does not imply  $(v_j, v_i) \in E$  (arrows for edges)Undirected graphs -  $(v_i, v_j) \in E$  does imply  $(v_j, v_i) \in E$  (no arrows for edges)Weighted graphs,  $G = (V, E, w)$ 
 $w: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $(w(e), \text{length/rate})$   
 $(w(e), \text{strength of a friendship})$ 
Multigraph,  $E$  a multi-setDef. self-loop an edge of the form  $(v, v)$ 

Def. Simple graphs - undirected, unweighted graphs with no self-loops (also not a multi-graph)

 $E$  subset of the set of subsets of  $V$  of size 2.

$$E = \{ \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\}, \{3, 5\}, \{4, 5\} \}$$

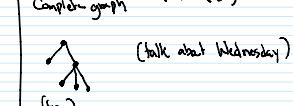
Common graphs  $V = [n]$ , i.e.  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ 

$$\text{path} \quad E = \{ \{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \dots, \{n-1, n\} \} \quad |E| = n-1$$

$$\text{cycle} \quad E = \{ \{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \dots, \{n, 1\} \} \quad |E| = n$$

$$\text{star} \quad E = \{ \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \dots, \{1, n\} \} \quad |E| = n-1$$

$$\text{Complete graph} \quad E = \text{all possible edges} \quad |E| = \binom{n}{2}$$



(talk about Wednesday)

(tree)