

Sketch of Solutions to Homework 2

• Problem 1

Part	Time complexity	Space Complexity
1	$O(rn)$	$O(r)$
2*	$O(dn)$	$O(d)$
3	$O(cn)$	$O(c)$
4	$O(rn)$	$O(r)$
5	$O(rn)$	$O(r)$
6	$O(r^2n)$	$O(r^2)$
7	$O(cn)$	$O(c)$
8	$O(c^2n)$	$O(c^2)$

* There is a simple solution to this part via binning by going over all the data in one pass. Some of you suggested *sorting* which is less efficient $O(dn \log n)$ time complexity and $O(n + d)$ space (points were not deducted for this solution).

• Problem 2

- 1. Store the index of the cells which contain 1's in a list.
- 2. Walk along the two lists and count mismatches, $O(n_i + n_j)$.
- 3. The sample mean can be interpreted as the probability that the word will appear in a randomly selected document. The sample variance can be interpreted as the variability of the word occurrences in the different documents.
- 4. The difference in the distribution of the word occurrences.
- 5. There are a number of possible answers. Some of you suggested the representative document which is the closest to the mean or the furthest document which can be an outlier.
- 6. This is not fair for the short document. One possible fix is normalization.

• Problem 3

- 1.

$$P(\theta) \propto \theta^{\alpha-1}(1-\theta)^{\beta-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial P(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0 = (\alpha - 1)\theta^{\alpha-2}(1 - \theta)^{\beta-1} - (\beta - 1)\theta^{\alpha-1}(1 - \theta)^{\beta-2}$$

Which yields

$$(\alpha - 1)(1 - \theta) - (\beta - 1)\theta = 0$$

Which implies that

$$\theta_{max} = \frac{\alpha - 1}{\alpha + \beta - 2}$$

You *should* check the second derivative to make sure that this value actually maximizes the density.

– 2. $\theta_{ML} = \frac{r}{n}$ and the prior mean = $\frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$

Assume

$$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} < \frac{r}{n}$$

This implies that

$$\alpha n + r n < (\alpha + \beta)r + r n$$

Which implies

$$\frac{\alpha + r}{\alpha + \beta + n} < \frac{r}{n}$$

Repeat for the case of $>$ and $=$.