

CIS 1600 Recitation 5

Intro to Graphs, Intro to Probability

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Graph Terminology

- ▶ Undirected graph: $G = (V, E)$ where
- ▶ V : finite, non-empty set of **vertices**
- ▶ E : finite (possibly empty) set of **edges**
- ▶ An edge $\{u, v\}$ connects vertices u and v .

Graph Terminology - Continued

- ▶ Two vertices u, v are **adjacent** if $\{u, v\} \in E$.
- ▶ Nodes adjacent to a vertex u are called **neighbors** of u .
- ▶ **Degree** of a vertex, $deg(u)$ is the number of neighbors of u .
- ▶ $\delta(G) = \min_{v \in V} deg(v)$ is the minimum degree of G
- ▶ $\Delta(G) = \max_{v \in V} deg(v)$ is the maximum degree of G .

Graph Lemmas

- ▶ The Handshaking Lemma: the sum of the degrees of all vertices in a graph is twice the number of edges

$$\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = 2|E|$$

- ▶ In any graph, there are an even number of vertices of odd degree

Intro to Probability

- ▶ The sample space Ω is the set of all possible outcomes.
- ▶ The probability space is a sample space together with a probability distribution assigned to each outcome $\omega \in \Omega$ s.t.

$$0 \leq Pr[\omega] \leq 1$$

$$\sum_{\omega \in \Omega} Pr[\omega] = 1$$

- ▶ A subset of the sample space is called an event.
- ▶ For any event $A \subseteq \Omega$, the probability of A is defined as:

$$Pr[A] = \sum_{\omega \in A} Pr[\omega]$$

Uniform Probability Space

- ▶ A probability space (Ω, \Pr) is uniform if all outcomes have the same probability
- ▶ $\Pr[\omega] = \frac{1}{|\Omega|}$, for all $\omega \in \Omega$
- ▶ $\Pr[E] = \frac{|E|}{|\Omega|}$, for some event $E \subseteq \Omega$

Steps to Solve Probability Problems

1. Define a sample space Ω of the experiment.
2. Define the probability distribution.
3. Find the event of interest A (subset of outcomes $A \subseteq \Omega$ that are of interest).
4. Compute $Pr[A]$ by adding up probabilities of the outcomes in A .

The Inclusion-Exclusion Formula

- ▶ If A, B, C are any events,

$$\begin{aligned}Pr[A \cup B] &= Pr[A] + Pr[B] - Pr[A \cap B] \\Pr[A \cup B \cup C] &= Pr[A] + Pr[B] + Pr[C] \\&\quad - Pr[A \cap B] - Pr[A \cap C] - Pr[B \cap C] \\&\quad + Pr[A \cap B \cap C]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Union-bound

$$Pr[\cup_{i=1}^n A_i] \leq \sum_{i=1}^n Pr[A_i]$$

If the events are pairwise disjoint, the inequality becomes equality.