

# The Janson inequality

- $\Omega \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 2^{[n]}$ ,  $0 \leq p_i \leq 1$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ .
- $(\Omega, 2^\Omega, P)$  is a prob. space s.t.  $P(\{\omega\}) = \prod_{i \in \omega} p_i \prod_{j \in \bar{\omega}} (1-p_j)$  for  $\forall \omega \in \Omega$ .
- Let  $A_1, \dots, A_m \in \Omega$  be fixed s.t.  $i \sim j \iff A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$ .  
ordered pair
- $B_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\omega \in \Omega : A_i \subseteq \omega\}$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ .

Thm Suppose  $P(B_i) \leq \varepsilon < 1$ ,  $\forall i$ .  $\mu \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i \in [m]} P(B_i)$ ,  $M \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \prod_{i \in [m]} P(\bar{B}_i)$   
 and  $\Delta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i \sim j} P(B_i \cap B_j)$ . Then we have

$$(1) \quad M \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{\leq} P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m \bar{B}_i\right) \stackrel{\textcircled{2}}{\leq} M e^{\frac{\Delta}{2(1-\varepsilon)}}, \text{ and}$$

$$(2) \quad P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m \bar{B}_i\right) \stackrel{\textcircled{3}}{\leq} e^{-\mu + \frac{\Delta}{2}}$$

pf

• claim A: For  $i, k \in J \subseteq [m]$ , we have

①  $P(\bar{B}_i | \bigwedge_{j \in J} \bar{B}_j) \geq P(\bar{B}_i)$ , and

②  $P(B_i | B_k \cap \bigwedge_{j \in J} \bar{B}_j) \leq P(B_i | B_k)$ .

pf(claim A):  $\omega' \subseteq \omega \in \bar{B}_i \Rightarrow \omega' \in \bar{B}_i$  and  $\omega' \supseteq \omega \in B_i \Rightarrow \omega' \in B_i$ .

①  $\bar{B}_i$  and  $\underbrace{\bigcap_{j \in J} \bar{B}_j}_{\mathcal{B}}$  are downsets  $\Rightarrow P(\bar{B}_i \cap \mathcal{B}) \geq P(\bar{B}_i)P(\mathcal{B})$  ( $\because H\text{-ineq.}$ )

②  $B_i$  is an upset and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a downset  $\Rightarrow P_{P_1=P_2=\dots=P_\ell=1}(B_i \cap \mathcal{B}) \leq P_{P_1=P_2=\dots=P_\ell=1}(B_i)P_{P_1=P_2=\dots=P_\ell=1}(\mathcal{B})$  ( $\because H\text{-ineq.}$ )

(where we assume  $A_K = \{1, 2, \dots, \ell\}$  w.l.o.g.)  $\Rightarrow P(B_i \cap \mathcal{B} | B_k) \leq P(B_i | B_k)P(\mathcal{B} | B_k)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P(B_i \cap \mathcal{B} \cap B_k)}{P(\mathcal{B} \cap B_k)} \leq P(B_i | B_k) \Rightarrow P(B_i | B_k \cap \mathcal{B}) \leq P(B_i | B_k) \text{ done!}$$

QED of claim A

pf(ineq ①)  $P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m \bar{B}_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^m P(\bar{B}_i | \bigcap_{1 \leq j < i} \bar{B}_j)$  (let  $\bigcap_{1 \leq j < i} \bar{B}_j = \Omega$ )

$$\geq \prod_{i=1}^m P(\bar{B}_i) \quad (\because \text{claim A } ②)$$

pf (continued) Pf (ineq ②)  $P(\bigcap_{i=1}^m \bar{B}_i) = \prod_{i=1}^m P(\bar{B}_i | \bigcap_{1 \leq j < i} \bar{B}_j)$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^m \left\{ 1 - P(B_i \cap \bigwedge_{\substack{j \sim i \\ j < i}} \bar{B}_j \cap \bigwedge_{\substack{j \neq i \\ j < i}} \bar{B}_j) / P(B \cap C) \right\} \leq \prod_{i=1}^m \left\{ 1 - \frac{P(B_i \cap B \cap C)}{P(B_i \cap C)} \frac{P(B_i \cap C)}{P(C)} \right\}$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^m \left\{ 1 - P(B | B_i \cap C) P(B_i) \right\} \leq \prod_{i=1}^m \left\{ 1 - \left\{ 1 - \sum_{j \sim i, j < i} P(B_j | B_i \cap C) \right\} P(B_i) \right\}$$

$\because P(B_i \cap C) = P(B_i)P(C)$

$$\leq \prod_{i=1}^m \left\{ 1 - \left\{ 1 - \sum_{j \sim i, j < i} P(B_j | B_i) \right\} P(B_i) \right\} = \prod_{i=1}^m \left\{ 1 - P(B_i) + \sum_{j \sim i, j < i} P(B_i \cap B_j) \right\} = \star$$

$$\leq \prod_{i=1}^m P(\bar{B}_i) \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{1-\varepsilon} \underbrace{\sum_{j \sim i, j < i} P(B_i \cap B_j)}_{\alpha_i} \right\} \leq \prod_{i=1}^m P(\bar{B}_i) e^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon} \alpha_i} = M e^{\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon} \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i} = M e^{\frac{\Delta}{2(1-\varepsilon)}}.$$

Pf (ineq ③)  $P(\bigcap_{i=1}^m \bar{B}_i) \leq \star$

$$\leq \prod_{i=1}^m \exp \left\{ -P(B_i) + \alpha_i \right\}$$

$$= \exp \left\{ -\mu + \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \right\} = e^{-\mu + \frac{\Delta}{2}}$$

QED