

These are inspired by Taylor series for functions but are technically different.

Doesn't make sense to compare FPS and functions directly. But they satisfy the same identities.

ex  $\exp(x+y) = \exp(x)\exp(y)$

Verification:

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(x+y) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x+y)^n}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{n!} \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \frac{y^{\ell}}{(\ell)!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^{\ell}}{\ell!} = \exp(x)\exp(y) \end{aligned}$$

Many others, we could prove them all using methods like this. But won't.

### Lagrange's Implicit Function Theorem

Let  $K$  be a commutative ring containing  $\mathbb{Q}$ , or an integral domain containing  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $G(u) \in K[[u]]$ .

(a) There is a unique FPS  $W(x) \in K[[x]]$  such that  $W(x) = xG(W(x))$ .

(b)  $[x^0]W(x) = 0$ ,

$$[x^n]W(x) = \frac{[u^{n-1}]G(u)}{n} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

ex In the first BRT example, we had  $A$  satisfying the equation  $A = x(1+A)^2$ .

Notice that if  $G(u) = (1+u)^2$ , then  $A$  is the solution to  $A = xG(A)$ .

Therefore we can apply LIFT.

Let's redo: What's the average number of terminals among all BRTs with  $n$  nodes.

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Recall

$$A - xy = x(1+A)^2 - x$$

and we want

$$[x^n] \frac{\partial}{\partial y} A(x,y) \Big|_{y=1}$$

Note

$$A = x((1+A)^2 - 1 + y)$$

This is in the right form for using LIFT in the ring  $K = \mathbb{Q}[y]$ , with  $G(u) = (1+u)^2 - 1 + y$ . By LIFT,

$$\begin{aligned} [x^n] A(x,y) &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] G(u)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] ((1+u)^2 - 1 + y)^n \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} [x^n] \frac{\partial}{\partial y} A(x,y) &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] \frac{\partial}{\partial y} ((1+u)^2 - 1 + y)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] n ((1+u)^2 - 1 + y)^{n-1} \\ &= [u^{n-1}] ((1+u)^2 - 1 + y)^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} [x^n] \frac{\partial}{\partial y} A(x,y) \Big|_{y=1} &= [u^{n-1}] ((1+u)^2 - 1 + y)^{n-1} \Big|_{y=1} \\ &= [u^{n-1}] (1+u)^{2(n-1)} \\ &= \binom{2n-2}{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

One more example. Compute the number of BRTs with  $n$  nodes such that there are exactly  $k$  nodes without a left child.

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be the set of all BRTs,  $n(\mathcal{T})$  be the number of nodes in  $\mathcal{T}$ , and  $\alpha(\mathcal{T})$  be the number of nodes without a left child, and

$$\omega: \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^2$$

$$\omega(\mathcal{T}) = (n(\mathcal{T}), \alpha(\mathcal{T}))$$

We showed

$$\mathcal{T} \cong \{\emptyset\} \times (\mathcal{T} \cup \{\emptyset\}) \times (\mathcal{T} \cup \{\emptyset\}).$$

If  $T \leftrightarrow (O, L, R)$  then

$$n(T) = 1 + n(L) + n(R),$$

$$\alpha(T) = \begin{cases} \alpha(L) + \alpha(R) & \text{if } L \neq \emptyset, \\ 1 + \alpha(R) & \text{if } L = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

Rewrite the bijection

$$\mathcal{T} \cong \{\emptyset\} \times \mathcal{T} \times (\mathcal{T} \cup \{\emptyset\}) \cup \{\emptyset\} \times \{\emptyset\} \times (\mathcal{T} \cup \{\emptyset\}).$$

Define weight of  $\emptyset$  differently for the two sets. For the first,

$$\mu_1(\emptyset) = (1, 0),$$

and for the second,

$$\mu_2(\emptyset) = (1, 1).$$

Then we have a weight preserving bijection, so

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{\omega}(x, y) &= \Phi_{\{\emptyset\}}^{\mu_1}(x, y) \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{\omega}(x, y) (\Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{\omega}(x, y) + 1) \\ &\quad + \Phi_{\{\emptyset\}}^{\mu_2}(x, y) \cdot 1 \cdot (\Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{\omega}(x, y) + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$A = A(x, y) = \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}^{\omega}(x, y).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} A &= xA(A+1) + xy(A+1) \\ &= x(A+y)(A+1). \end{aligned}$$

This is in the form for LIFT, with  $K = \mathbb{Q}[y]$ ,  $G(u) = (u+y)(u+1)$ .  
Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} [x^n] A(x, y) &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] G(u)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] ((u+y)(u+1))^n. \end{aligned}$$

We want  $[x^n y^k] A(x, y)$ , which is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1} y^k] (u+y)^n (u+1)^n &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] \binom{n}{k} u^{n-k} (u+1)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{n} [u^{k-1}] \binom{n}{k} (u+1)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \binom{n}{k} \binom{n}{k-1} \quad (\text{for } n \geq 1). \end{aligned}$$

## Formal Laurent Series (FLS)

For a commutative ring  $R$ ,

$$R((x)) = \{a_r x^r + a_{r-1} x^{r-1} + \dots; r \in \mathbb{Z}, a_r, a_{r+1}, \dots \in R\}.$$

ex  $\frac{1}{x} + 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots \in \mathbb{Z}((x))$ .

Note that there are only finitely many negative powers of  $x$ .  
Every FLS can be written in the form

$$\frac{f(x)}{x^r}$$

where  $f(x) \in R[[x]]$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\frac{f(x)}{x^r} + \frac{g(x)}{x^s} = \frac{x^s f(x) + x^r g(x)}{x^{r+s}}$$

$$\frac{f(x)}{x^r} \frac{g(x)}{x^s} = \frac{f(x)g(x)}{x^{r+s}}$$

Define  $I(f)$  to be the smallest number  $n$  such that  $[x^n]f(x) \neq 0$ .

ex  $I(\frac{1}{x} + 1 + x + \dots) = -1$ .

A FLS  $f(x) \in R((x))$  is invertible  $\iff$  and only if  $[x^{I(f)}]f(x)$  is invertible in  $R$ .

Note that

$$\frac{f(x)}{x^{I(f)}}$$

is a FPS, with  $[x^0]^{\uparrow} = [x^{I(f)}]f(x)$ . Not hard to see why from here.

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## Formal Derivatives and Integrals

$$f(x) = \sum_{n \geq I(f)} a_n x^n \in R((x))$$

Assume  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq R$ .

1. Formal derivative

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n \geq I(f)} n a_n x^n = \sum_{m \geq I(f)-1} (m+1) a_{m+1} x^m$$

I don't want to re-explain that. If you didn't understand, please ignore every word I just said

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## 2. Formal Integral

assume  $[x^{-1}]f(x) = 0$ :

$$\int f(x) dx = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{I}(f), n \neq -1} \frac{a_n}{n+1} x^{n+1}$$

In particular, if  $f(x) \in R[[x]]$ ,  $\int f(x) dx$  is defined.

## 3. Formal Residue

$$[x^{-1}]f(x) \in R$$

Properties: All usual rules for derivatives:

- sum rule
- product rule
- quotient rule
- chain rule

All usual rules for integrals:

- fundamental theorem of calculus

$$\int f'(x) dx = f(x) + c$$

- integration by parts

$$\int f(x)g'(x) dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x) dx + c$$

- change of variables

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x) dx = F(g(x)) + c$$

$$\text{where } F(x) = \int f(x) dx.$$

Formal Residue also behaves like an integral:

- FTC:  $[x^{-1}]f'(x) = 0$

Proof:  $[x^{-1}]f'(x) = [x^{-1}] \sum_{n \in \mathbb{I}(f)} n a_n x^{n-1} = 0 \cdot a_0 = 0$   $\square$

- integration by parts

$$[x^{-1}]f(x)g'(x) = -[x^{-1}]f'(x)g(x)$$

Proof: By FTC,  $[x^{-1}] \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)g(x)) = 0$ .

$$[x^{-1}](f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)) = 0, \text{ expand. } \square$$

- change of variables

If  $f(y) \in R((y))$ ,  $g \in R[[x]]$  with  $[x^0]g(x) = 0$  and  $[x^{-(g)}]g(x)$  invertible, then

$$[x^{-1}]f(g(x))g'(x) = I(g)[u^{-1}]f(u)$$

Proof: Write  $f(y) = a_{-1}y^{-1} + h(y)$ , where  $[y^{-1}]h(y) = 0$ ,  $a_{-1} = [y^{-1}]f(y)$ .

Let  $H(y) = \int h(y) dy$ . Then  $H'(y) = h(y)$ ,  $f(y) = a_{-1}y^{-1} + H'(y)$ .

$$\text{RHS} = I(g)[y^{-1}]f'(y) = I(g)a_{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= [x^{-1}]f(g(x))g'(x) \\ &= [x^{-1}](a_{-1}g(x)^{-1} + H'(g(x)))g'(x) \\ &= [x^{-1}]a_{-1}g(x)^{-1}g'(x) + [x^{-1}]H'(g(x))g'(x) \\ &= a_{-1}[x^{-1}]\frac{g'(x)}{g(x)} + [x^{-1}]\frac{d}{dx}(H(g(x))) \end{aligned}$$

Write  $g(x) = x^{I(g)}k(x)$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} &= a_{-1}[x^{-1}]\frac{I(g)x^{I(g)-1}k(x) + x^{I(g)}k'(x)}{x^{I(g)}k(x)} \\ &= a_{-1}[x^{-1}]\left(I(g)x^{-1} + \frac{k'(x)}{k(x)}\right) \text{ FPS} \\ &= a_{-1}I(g). \end{aligned}$$

### Compositional Inverse

Lemma: Let  $A(x), B(x) \in R[[x]]$ , where  $R$  is an integral domain. Suppose  $[x^0]A(x) = [x^0]B(x) = 0$ . If  $A(B(x)) = 0$  then either  $A(x) = 0$  or  $B(x) = 0$ .

Proof: Exercise.

Theorem: Let  $f(x) \in R[[x]]$ ,  $g(u) \in R[[u]]$ . Suppose  $[x^0]f(x) = 0$ , so that  $g(f(x))$  is defined. If  $g(f(x)) = x$  then the following are true:

(i)  $[u^0]g(u) = 0$ ,  $[u^1]g(u)[x^1]f(x) = 1$

(ii)  $f(g(u)) = u$

(iii) By (i), (ii),  $G(u) = \frac{u}{g(u)} \in R[[u]]$  is defined. Then  $f(x)$  is the solution to the LIFT equation  $f = xG(f)$ .

If  $f(g(x)) = x$ , we say that  $f$  is the compositional inverse of  $g$ .

Proof: (i) For any FPS,  $[x^0]A(x) = A(0)$ ,  $[x^1]A'(x) = A'(0)$ . So

$$g(f(0)) = 0 \Rightarrow g(0) = 0 \Rightarrow [u^0]g(u) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}g(f(x))$$

(ii): Let  $A(u) = f(g(u)) - u$ . Then

$$A(f(x)) = f(g(f(x))) - f(x) = f(x) - f(x) = 0.$$

Since  $f(x) \neq 0$  (as  $[x]f(x)$  is invertible by (i)),  $A(u) = 0$ .

So  $f(g(u)) - u = 0$ .

(iii)  $RHS = xG(f(x)) = x \frac{f(x)}{g(f(x))} = x \frac{f(x)}{x} = f(x) = LHS.$

Corollary: If  $G(u)$  is invertible then the LIFT equation  
 $W = xG(W)$

is equivalent to

$$W\left(\frac{u}{G(u)}\right) = u.$$

Indeed, (iii) says the first is the compositional inverse of  $\frac{u}{G(u)}$ .

### General Statement of LIFT:

•  $K$  a commutative ring containing  $\mathbb{Q}$  or an integral domain containing  $\mathbb{Z}$   
 $G(u) \in K[[u]]$

(i) There is a unique FPS  $W(x) \in K[[x]]$  such that  
 $W(x) = xG(W(x)).$

(ii)  $[x^0]W(x) = 0,$

$$[x^n]W(x) = \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}]G(u)^n, \quad n \geq 1$$

(iii) For any  $F(u) \in K[[u]]$ ,  $[x^0]F(W(x)) = F(0),$

$$[x^n]F(W(x)) = \frac{1}{n} [x^{n-1}]F'(u)G(u)^n$$

Note: (ii) is a special case of (iii) where  $F(u) = u.$

In the proof I will make one additional assumption:  $G(u)$  is invertible.

The theorem is still true ~~if~~ even if  $G(u)$  is not invertible.

Proof: Write

$$G(u) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n u^n, \quad W(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n.$$

$$W(x) = xG(W(x)) \Rightarrow b_0 = W(0) = 0, \quad G(W(0)) = 0.$$

Now compute coeffs on both sides:

$$b_n = [x^n] W(x) = [x^n] x G(W(x))$$

$$= [x^{n-1}] G(W(x))$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j_1, \dots, j_k \geq 1 \\ j_1 + \dots + j_k = n-1}} a_k b_{j_1} \dots b_{j_k}$$

↑ involves only  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$   
 $b_1, \dots, b_{n-1}$

Thus we can recursively compute  $b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots \Rightarrow W(x)$  exists and is unique.

(iii) Saw  $W(0) = 0$ , so  $F(W(0)) = 0$  so  $[x^0] F(W(x)) = 0$ .

For  $n \geq 1$  we calculate

$$[x^n] F(W(x)) = [x^{-1}] x^{n-1} F(W(x))$$

Let  $f(x) = x^{n-1} F(W(x))$ ,  $g(u) = u/G(u)$ ,  $I(g) = 1$ ,  $W(u/G(u)) = 1$ .

$$= I(g) [x^{-1}] f(x)$$

change of vars  $\rightarrow$   $= [u^{-1}] f(g(u)) g'(u)$

$$= [u^{-1}] g(u)^{n-1} F(W(u/G(u))) g'(u)$$

$$= [u^{-1}] g(u)^{n-1} F(u) g'(u)$$

$$= [u^{-1}] F(u) \cdot \frac{1}{n} \frac{d}{du} g(u)^{-n}$$

$$= [u^{-1}] F(u) \cdot \frac{1}{n} g(u)^{-n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} [u^{-1}] F(u) (u/G(u))^{-n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} [u^{-1}] u^{-n} F(u) G(u)^n$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] F(u) G(u)^n$$

ex Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the set of all PPTs. For  $T \in \mathcal{P}$  let  $w(T) = (n(T), d(T))$  where  $d(T)$  is the degree of the root. We use the bijection,

$$\mathcal{P} \xrightarrow{\cong} \{0\} \times \mathcal{P}^*$$

$$T \leftrightarrow (0, c_1, \dots, c_k)$$

Then

$$n(T) = n(0) + \dots + n(c_k)$$

$$d(T) = k$$

Define the weight function  $v: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^2$  by

$$v(T) = (n(T), 1)$$

and  $v(0) = (1, 0)$



Then we have a weight preserving bijection where  $w$  is used for  $\mathcal{P}$  on the LHS, and  $v$  is used for  $\mathcal{P}$  on the RHS

$$\text{ie } w(\tau) = \mu(c_1) + v(c_2) + \dots + v(c_k).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^w(x,y) &= \Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^{\mu}(x,y) \Phi_{\mathcal{P}^*}^{v^*}(x,y) \\ &= x \frac{1}{1 - \Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^w(x,y)} \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^v(x,y) &= \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{P}} x^{n(\tau)} y^l \\ &= y \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{P}} x^{n(\tau)} = y \Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^n(x). \end{aligned}$$

We know that if  $A(x) = \Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^n(x)$  then

$$A = \frac{x}{1-A}.$$

And therefore

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^w(x,y) = x \frac{1}{1-yA}.$$

To solve this, let  $K = \mathbb{Q}[y]$  and let

$$G(u) = \frac{1}{1-u}$$

and let

$$F(u) = \frac{1}{1-yu}.$$

Then

$$[x^n] \Phi_{\mathcal{P}}^w(x,y) = [x^n] x F(A(x))$$

Note  $A = xG(A)$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} &= [x^{n-1}] x F(A(x)) \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} [u^{n-2}] F'(u) G(u)^{n-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} [u^{n-2}] y \left(\frac{1}{1-yu}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{1-u}\right)^{n-1} \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$