

Binomial Series:

$$(1+x)^\alpha = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{k} x^k \quad \text{for } \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$$

converges for $|x| < 1$. Taylor series

$$\binom{\alpha}{k} = \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^k (1+x)^\alpha \Big|_{x=0} = \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\cdots(\alpha-k+1)}{k!}$$

Valid for indeterminate α .

Generally,

$$\binom{-\alpha-1}{k} = (-1)^k \binom{k+\alpha}{k}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^{\alpha+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{-\alpha-1}{k} (-x)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+\alpha}{k} x^k$$

Useful when $\alpha+1=t$ a positive integer

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^t} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+t-1}{t-1} x^m = \sum_{(m_1, \dots, m_t) \in \mathbb{N}^t} x^{m_1 + \dots + m_t}$$

$$\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \right)^t$$

Special cases

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-4x}}, \sqrt{1-4x}, (1-x)^{-3/2}$$

LIFTLet K be a commutative ring containing \mathbb{Q} . Let $F(u), G(u)$ be power series in $K[[u]]$ with $[u^0]G(u)$ invertible in K . Then(a) There is a unique $R(x) \in K[[x]]$ such that

$$R(x) = xG(R(x)).$$

(b) $[x^n]R(x) = 0$ and for all $n \geq 1$

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

Exponential Generating Functions

A class of structures A

- takes as "input" any finite set X
- returns as "output" another finite set A_X

(Interpretation: A_X is the set of all A -type structures with vertex-set X .)

Two "phenomenological" axioms

- if $X \neq Y$ then $A_X \cap A_Y = \emptyset$.
- if $|X| = |Y|$ then $|A_X| = |A_Y|$.

General Problem: Given a class A , determine $|A_X|$ for any finite set X .

For $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, let $A_n = A_{\{1, \dots, n\}}$. So if $|X| = n$ then $|A_X| = |A_n|$.

Examples

- G class of simple graphs, $\gamma = (G, E)$ (E a set of 2-element subsets of X)
 $|G_n| = 2^{\binom{n}{2}}$

- S class of permutations $\sigma: X \rightarrow X$ (bijection)
 $|S_n| = n!$

- C class of cyclic permutations
 $|C_n| = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n=0 \\ (n-1)! & \text{if } n \geq 1 \end{cases}$

- E class of sets. A set is a set
 $E_X = \{X\}$
 $|E_n| = 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

- E_k class of k -element sets
 $(E_k)_X = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } |X| \neq k \\ \{X\} & \text{if } |X| = k \end{cases}$

$$S(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! \frac{x^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$C(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n-1)! \frac{x^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x}{n} = \log\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)$$

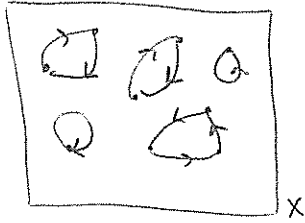
$$E(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = \exp(x)$$

$$E_k(x) = \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

For a class A of structures

$$A(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |A_n| \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

A permutation is a finite set of disjoint cyclic permutations.



$$S \equiv E[C]$$

$$S(x) = E(C(x))$$

A, B, C, ... classes of structures

Sums

Given A, B define a class $A \oplus B$ with exponential generating function $A(x) + B(x)$. More generally, for classes $A^{(k)}$ $k \in \mathbb{N}$ define a class

$$\bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} A^{(k)}$$

with exponential generating function

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A^{(k)}(x)$$

when possible.

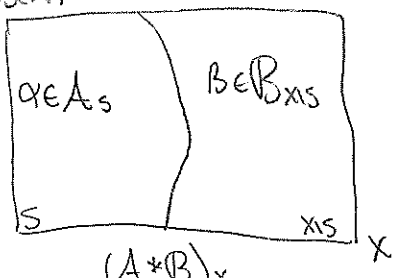
For any finite set X

$$\left(\bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} A^{(k)} \right)_X = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} (\{k\} \times A_X^{(k)})$$

This defines a class if and only if for every finite set X, only finitely many of the sets $A_X^{(k)}$ are not empty.
 $(A^{(k)}; k \in \mathbb{N})$ is locally finite.

Products

Given A, B define a class $A * B$ with exponential generating function $A(x)B(x)$



For a finite set X

$$(A * B)_X = \bigcup_{S \subseteq X} (A_S * B_{X \setminus S}).$$

Given $(\alpha, \beta) \in (A * B)_X$ we can determine $S \subseteq X$.
So this union is disjoint. So for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\#(A * B)_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{k} (\#A_k) (\#B_{n-k})$$

Exponential generating function is

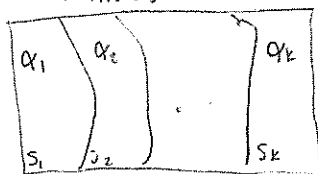
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \#(A * B)_n \frac{x^n}{n!} = A(x)B(x).$$

* is associative: (more later)

$$(A * B) * C \cong A * (B * C)$$

k -tuples of A -structures

$$\underbrace{A * \dots * A}_{k \text{ times}} = A^k$$



strings of A -structures

$$A^* = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} A^k$$

locally finite if and only if $A_{\emptyset} = \emptyset$.

If $\alpha \in A_{\emptyset}$ then

$$\underbrace{(\alpha, \dots, \alpha)}_k \in A_{\emptyset}^*$$

for all k .

If $A_{\emptyset} = \emptyset$ and $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k) \in A_X^k$ then $\#X \geq k$.

Such classes A are called connected.

k -sets of A -structures

For any finite set X , consider

$$(A^k)_x \rightarrow E_k[A]_x$$

$$(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k) \mapsto \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k\}$$

forget the order of the substructures

Each k -set in $E_k[A]_x$ is the image of $k!$ k -tuples in $(A^k)_x$.

So for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\#(A^k)_n = k! \#E_k[A]_n$$

Multiply by $\frac{x^n}{n!}$, sum over n :

$$E_k[A](x) = \frac{A(x)^k}{k!}.$$

Sets of A -structures

$$E[A] = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} E_k[A]$$

is locally finite if and only if $A_{\emptyset} = \emptyset$.

exponential generating function

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A(x)^k}{k!} = \exp(A(x))$$

Exponential Formula

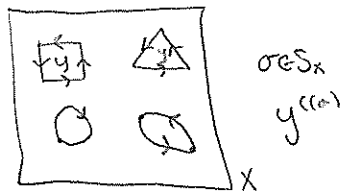
Permutations are sets of cyclic permutations

$$S = E[C]$$

mark each cycle with an indeterminate y .

$$S(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in S_n} y^{c(\sigma)} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

where $c(\sigma)$ is the number of cycles of σ .



exponential generating function for cycles is

$$C(x, y) = y \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n-1)! \frac{x^n}{n!} = y \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n} = y \log\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right).$$

So

$$S(x, y) = \exp\left(y \log\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)\right)$$

set partitions
 use example 11.19
 in value exercise 11.15 (a)
 taking $\#$ of set partitions (n, k)
 Example 20: $(2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)^y}$$

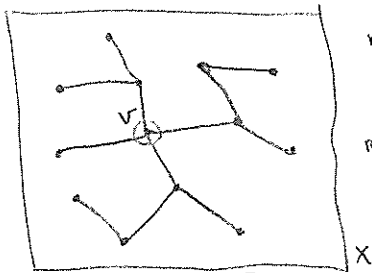
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+y-1}{n} x^n$$

$$n! [x^n] S(x, y) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} y^{c(\sigma)} = n! \frac{(y-1+n) \cdots (y)}{n!} = (y-1+n)_{(n)}$$

falling factorial

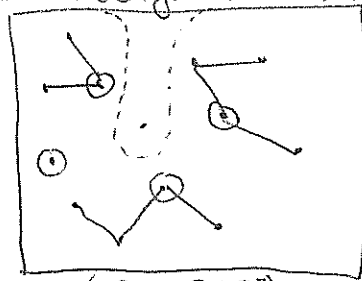
\mathcal{R} class of rooted trees

\mathcal{R}_X set of trees with vertex set X and a designated root vertex $v \in X$.



$(T, v) \in \mathcal{R}_X$

remove the root & reverse



$(E, * E[R])_X$

This gives an equivalence

$$\mathcal{R} \cong E, * E[R]$$

so

$$R(x) = x \exp(R(x))$$

Apply LIFT with $K = \mathbb{Q}$, $F(u) = u$, $G(u) = \exp(u)$.

$$\#R_n = n! [x^n] R(x)$$

$$= n! \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] \exp(u)^n$$

$$= (n-1)! [u^{n-1}] \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nu)^j}{j!} = n^{n-1}$$

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Rooted structures

For any class A , define a class A^* as follows. For any finite set X , $(A^*)_X$ is the set of pairs (α, v) with $\alpha \in A_X$ and $v \in X$.

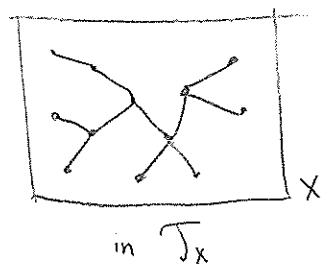
$$(A^*)_X = A_X \times X$$

$$\#(A^*)_n = n \#A_n$$

Exponential generating function of A^* is

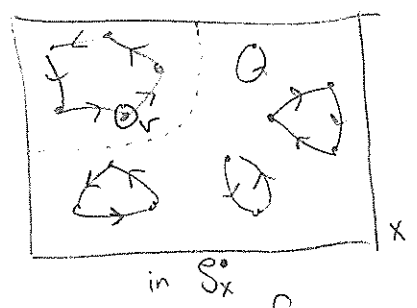
$$x \frac{d}{dx} A(x).$$

Trees \mathcal{T}



$\mathcal{T}^\circ = \mathcal{R}$ rooted trees
 $\# \mathcal{T}_n = \frac{1}{n} \# \mathcal{T}_n^\circ = n^{n-2}$

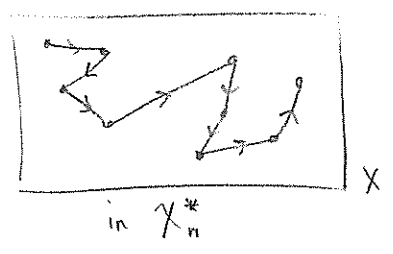
Rooted permutation



$\mathcal{S}^\circ \equiv \mathcal{C}^\circ * \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{C}] = \mathcal{C}^\circ * \mathcal{S}$
 $\mathcal{C}^\circ \equiv \mathcal{X} * \mathcal{X}^*$
 where $\mathcal{X} \equiv \mathcal{E}_1$ is the class of
 singletons (1-element sets)

=> identities for power series (exponential generating functions)

$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{X}^*$ is the class of total (linear) orders, or lists



$\# \mathcal{L}_n = n!$ $\# \mathcal{S}_n = n!$
 $L(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} = S(x)$

\mathcal{L}_3	\mathcal{S}_3
↗↘	•••
↘↗	•↘•
↘↘↗	•↘↘
↘↗↘	•↘↗
↘↘↘	•↘↘↘
↘↘↘	•↘↘↘
↘↘↘	•↘↘↘

Composition of classes

Given classes A and B , with A connected ($A_{\neq} = \emptyset$).

Define the class of $B[A]$ -structures as follows

For any finite set X , a $B[A]$ -structure is a pair (ξ, β) where
 $\xi \in \mathcal{E}[A]_X$ (a finite set of A -structures partitioning X)
 and $\beta \in B_\xi$.

That is

$$B[A]_X = \bigcup_{\xi \in \mathcal{E}[A]_X} (\{\xi\} \times B_\xi)$$

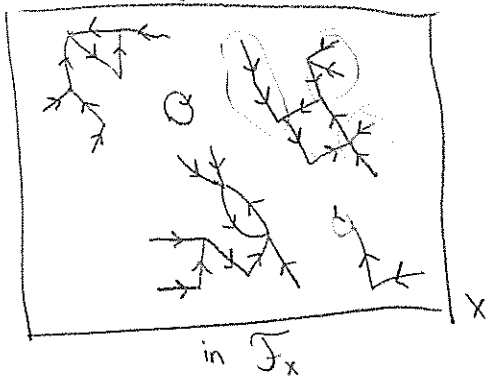
Then

$$\#B[A]_X = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\#E_k[A]_X) (\#B_k)$$

Exponential generating function of $B[A]$ is $B(A(x))$.

Endofunctions \mathcal{F}

\mathcal{F}_X is the set of all functions $\phi: X \rightarrow X$
 functional digraph $v \rightarrow \phi(v)$ for all $v \in X$

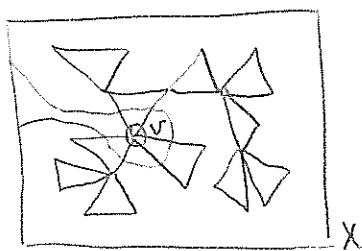


- it is a set of components [connected endofunctions]
- there is exactly one cycle in each component (Lemma)
- the wt-edges of each component form a set of trees, each rooted at a vertex on the cycle

$\mathcal{F} \equiv \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{C}]$ an endofunction is a set of components
 $\mathcal{C} \equiv \mathcal{C}[\mathcal{T}^\bullet]$ each component is a cyclic permutation of rooted trees

$$\mathcal{T}^\bullet \equiv X * \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{T}^\bullet]$$

Triangle-Trees Δ



- graph $G = (X, E)$
- connected, simple
- each block is a K_3

introduce a root vertex, remove it, and recurse

$$\Delta^{\circ} \equiv X * E[\mathcal{Q}]$$

\mathcal{Q} are the components of the triangle tree with the root deleted

$$\mathcal{Q} \equiv E_2[\Delta^{\circ}]$$

$$\Delta^{\circ} \equiv X * E[E_2[\Delta^{\circ}]]$$

$$P(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\#\Delta_n^{\circ}) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$P(x) = x \exp\left(\frac{P(x)^2}{2}\right)$$

LIFT for $n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \#\Delta_n &= \frac{1}{n} \#\Delta_n^{\circ} = \frac{n!}{n} [x^n] P(x) = \frac{n!}{n^2} [u^{n-1}] \exp\left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} [u^{n-1}] \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nu^2)^j}{j!} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{(2j+1)^{j-2}}{j!} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd } n=2j+1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

correction:

$$= \frac{(n-1)!}{n} [u^{n-1}] \exp\left(\frac{nu^2}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)!}{n} [u^{n-1}] \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nu^2/2)^j}{j!} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{(2j)! (2j+1)^{j-1}}{(2j+1) j! 2^j} & \text{if } n = 2j+1 \end{cases}$$

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Aside: $I_n \mathcal{O}[[t, q]]$

$$\exp(t) \exp(q) = \exp(t+q)$$

Consequence of Vandermonde convolution

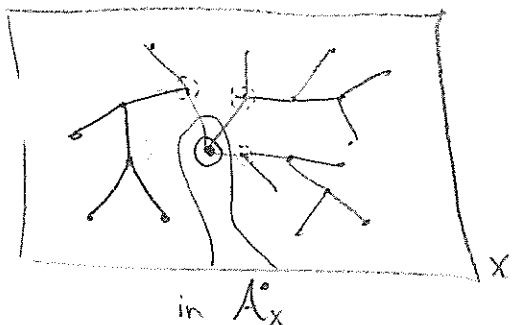
$$\binom{n+m}{k} = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{n}{j} \binom{m}{k-j}$$

$$\exp(q)^n = \exp(nq).$$

Trivalent Trees

Let A be the class of trees in which every vertex has degree one or three. $\#A_n = ?$

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$\#A_n$	0	0	1	0	4	0	90



$$A^* \neq X * \mathcal{E}[A^*]$$

↑ ↑
wrong

Let (T, v) be a rooted trivalent tree, v has degree one or three. Delete v . $T \setminus v$ has either one or three components, rooted at the unique neighbour of v . Each component is a rooted tree in which each vertex has either 0 or 2 children. Let B be the class of such rooted trees.

$$A^* = X * (\mathcal{E}_1 \oplus \mathcal{E}_3)[B]$$

$$B = X * (\mathcal{E}_0 \oplus \mathcal{E}_2)[B]$$

$$A^*(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\#A_n) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$B(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\#B_n) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$A^*(x) = x \left(B(x) + \frac{B(x)^3}{6} \right)$$

$$B(x) = x \left(1 + \frac{B(x)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$B(x) = x G(B(x)) \text{ where}$$

$$G(u) = \left(1 + \frac{u^2}{2} \right)$$

$$A^*(x) = x F(B(x)) \text{ where}$$

$$F(u) = \left(u + \frac{u^3}{6} \right)$$

for $n \geq 2$

$$F'(u) = \frac{d}{du} F(u) = \left(1 + \frac{u^2}{2}\right) = G(u)$$

$$\#A_n = \frac{1}{n} \#A_n^\circ = \frac{n!}{n} [x^n] A^\circ(x)$$

$$= (n-1)! [x^n] X F(B(x))$$

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

By LIFT,

$$\#A_n = (n-1)! \frac{1}{n-1} [u^{n-2}] F'(u) G(u)^{n-1}$$

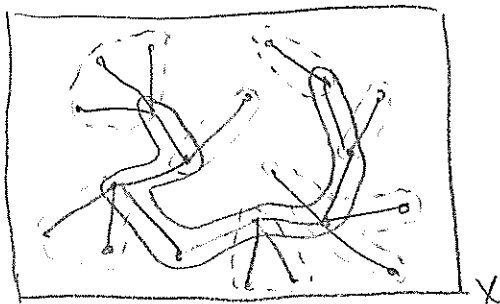
$$= (n-2)! [u^{n-2}] \left(1 + \frac{u^2}{2}\right)^n$$

$$= (n-2)! [u^{n-2}] \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{k} \frac{u^{2k}}{2^k}$$

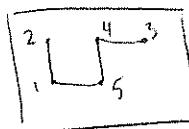
$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{(2k)!}{2^k} \binom{2k+2}{k} & \text{if } n = 2k+2 \end{cases}$$

Caterpillars

A tree with at least one leaf such that after deleting all leaves, what remains is a path. A path is a tree with all vertices of degree at most two. Denote their classes \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{P} respectively.



Paths

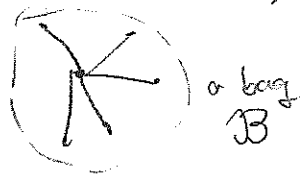


$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

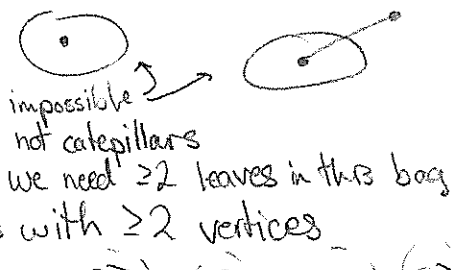
$$\#\mathcal{P}_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n=0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ n!/2 & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$P(x) = x + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^2}{1-x} \right)$$

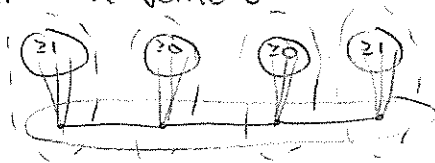
A caterpillar consists of a path of "bags".
 Each bag contains one vertex on the path and a (possibly empty) set of leaves attached to it by edge



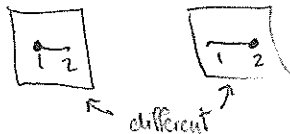
$$\mathcal{K} \neq \mathcal{P}[\mathcal{B}]$$



paths with ≥ 2 vertices



Generally, a "bag" is a finite set with one special element



$$\mathcal{E}^{\circ} \equiv \mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E}$$

exponential generating function of \mathcal{E}° is

$$x \frac{d}{dx} \exp(x) = x \exp(x)$$

Let

$$\mathcal{E}_{\geq m} = \bigoplus_{k=m}^{\infty} \mathcal{E}_k,$$

the class of sets of size $\geq m$. Now to $(***)$, $(****)$: So

$$\mathcal{K} \equiv (\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E}_{\geq 2}) \oplus \frac{1}{2} \left[(\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E}_{\geq 1})^2 * (\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E})^* \right]$$

informal shorthand:

$$e^x = \exp(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \in \mathbb{Q}[[x]]$$

$$K(x) = x(e^x - 1 - x) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^2(e^x - 1)^2}{1 - xe^x} \right)$$

$(***)$:

$$\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E}_{\geq 2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[(\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E}_{\geq 1}) * (\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E})^* \dots \right]$$

arbitrary length ≥ 0

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[(\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E}_{\geq 1}) * (\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E})^* * (\mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E})^* \right]$$

now back to $(****)$

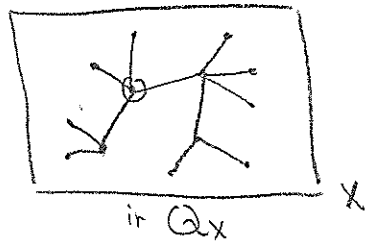
$K_n = n! [x^n] K(x)$ (exercise!)

$K_2 = 0$ ✓

$K_3 = 3! \cdot \frac{1}{2!} + 3! \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 = 3$ ✓ —

Even Rooted Trees

Rooted trees in which every vertex has an even number of children, Q .



$Q = X * \sum_{\text{even}} [Q]$ $Q(x) = x \cosh(Q(x))$
 $E_{\text{even}} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} E_{2j}$ ↑
 $E_{\text{even}}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2j}}{(2j)!} = \cosh(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$

$Q_0 = 0$ and for $n \geq 1$:

$Q_n = n! [x^n] Q(x)$

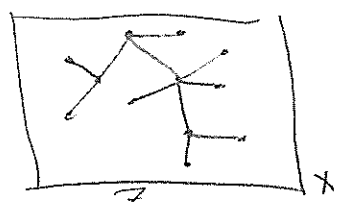
$= (n-1)! [u^{n-1}] \cosh(u)^n$
 $= (n-1)! [u^{n-1}] \left(\frac{e^u + e^{-u}}{2} \right)^n$
 $= \frac{(n-1)!}{2^n} [u^{n-1}] \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} e^{ju} e^{-(n-j)u}$
 $= \frac{(n-1)!}{2^n} [u^{n-1}] \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} e^{(2j-n)u}$
 $= \frac{(n-1)!}{2^n} \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \frac{(2j-n)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$

So, for $n \geq 1$

$Q_n = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} (2j-n)^{n-1}$

n even: j term cancels n-j term and # $Q_n = 0$.

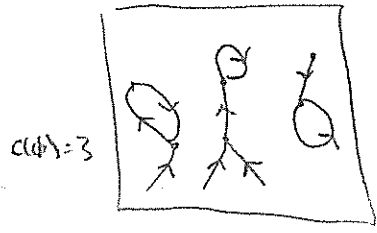
Unrooted trees in which every vertex has odd degree, Z .



$Z = X * \sum_{\text{odd}} [Q]$ $E_{\text{odd}}(x) = \sinh(x)$
 $\begin{cases} Z = x \sinh(Q) \\ Q = x \cosh(Q) \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{LIFT} \begin{cases} F(u) = \sinh(u) \\ G(u) = \cosh(u) = F'(u) \end{cases}$

Components of Endofunctions

$\phi: X \rightarrow X$ an endofunction, $c(\phi) = \#$ of connected components of ϕ



What is the average value of $c(\phi)$ among all $\phi \in \mathcal{F}_n$? Call it $\bar{c}(n)$. We know $\#\mathcal{F}_n = n^n$.

The average is

$$\frac{1}{n^n} \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{total \# of components} \\ \text{among all } \phi \in \mathcal{F}_n \end{array} \right)$$

Let

$$\Phi(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\phi \in \mathcal{F}_n} y^{c(\phi)} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Note:

$$\Phi(x, 1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\#\mathcal{F}_n) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Phi(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\phi \in \mathcal{F}_n} c(\phi) \right) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

So

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

Recall

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{F} \equiv \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{C}] \\ \mathcal{C} \equiv \mathcal{C}[\mathcal{R}] \text{ where } \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{J}^{\circ} \\ \mathcal{R} \equiv \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{R}] \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(x) = x \exp(\mathcal{R}(x))$$

$$\mathcal{C}(x, y) = y \log\left(\frac{1}{1-R}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(x, y) &= \exp(\mathcal{C}(x, y)) \\ &= \exp\left(y \log\left(\frac{1}{1-R}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(1-R)^y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \bar{\Phi}(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \exp\left(y \log\left(\frac{1}{1-R}\right)\right) \Big|_{y=1} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1-R} \cdot \log\left(\frac{1}{1-R}\right) \\
 &= \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} R^i\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{R^j}{j}\right) \\
 &= \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{p}\right) R^p
 \end{aligned}$$

$$H_p = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{p} \quad \text{Harmonic numbers}$$

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (H_p - \log(p)) \rightarrow \gamma \approx 0.577\dots \quad \text{Euler's constant}$$

Apply LIFT with $G(u) = \exp(u)$ and $F(u) = u^p$ ($p \geq 1$). $F'(u) = p u^{p-1}$

$$n! [x^n] R(x)^p = (n-1)! [u^{n-1}] p u^{p-1} \exp(u)^n$$

$$= (n-1)! p [u^{n-p}] \exp(nu)$$

$$= \frac{p(n-1)! n^{n-p}}{(n-p)!}, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq p \leq n, \quad 0 \text{ if } p > n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{c}(n) &= \frac{1}{n^n} n! [x^n] \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \bar{\Phi}(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} \\
 &= \frac{(n-1)!}{n^n} \sum_{p=1}^n p H_p \frac{n^{n-p}}{(n-p)!}
 \end{aligned}$$

n	$n^n \bar{c}(n)$	$\bar{c}(n)$
1	1	1
2	5	1.24
3	38	1.407
4	390	1.523...
5	5049	1.616...
6	78960	1.692...

Vertices with $p \geq 0$ children in a rooted tree

$$\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{T}^* \quad \mathcal{R} \equiv \mathcal{X} * \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{R}]$$

Given $(T, v) \in \mathcal{R}_n$, let $c(T, v)$ be the number of vertices of T with exactly p children. What is $\bar{c}(n)$, the average value $c(T, v)$ among all of \mathcal{R}_n ? We know $\#\mathcal{R}_n = n^{n-1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} R(x, y) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{(T, v) \in \mathcal{R}_n} y^{c(T, v)} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!} \\ &= x \left(\exp(R(x, y)) - \frac{R(x, y)^p}{p!} + y \frac{R(x, y)^p}{p!} \right) \\ &= x \left(\exp(R) + (y-1) \frac{R^p}{p!} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{c}(n) &= \frac{1}{n^{n-1}} n! [x^n] \frac{\partial}{\partial y} R(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} \\ &= \frac{1}{n^{n-1}} n! \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [x^n] R(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} \\ &= \frac{1}{n^{n-1}} n! \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] \left(\exp(u) + (y-1) \frac{u^p}{p!} \right)^n \Big|_{y=1} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)!}{n^{n-1}} [u^{n-1}] \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\exp(u) + (y-1) \frac{u^p}{p!} \right)^n \Big|_{y=1} \\ &= \frac{n!}{n^{n-1}} [u^{n-1}] \exp(u)^{n-1} \frac{u^p}{p!} \\ &= \frac{n!}{p! n^{n-1}} [u^{n-1-p}] \exp((n-1)u) \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{n! (n-1)^{n-p}}{p! (n-1-p)! n^{n-1}} & \text{for } 0 \leq p \leq n-1 \\ 0 & \text{if } p > n-1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For $0 \leq p \leq n$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{c}(n) &= \frac{n}{(n-1)^p} \binom{n-1}{p} \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \right)^{n-1} \\ &= n \cdot \frac{1}{(n-1)^p} \binom{n-1}{p} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} \right)^{n-1} \frac{n}{n-1} \\ &\quad \frac{1}{p!} \leftarrow \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-p+1)}{p! (n-1)^p} \quad \downarrow e^{-1} \quad \downarrow 1 \end{aligned}$$

With p fixed, as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\bar{c}(n) \sim \frac{n}{p! e}, \quad \frac{\bar{c}(n)}{n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{p! e}$$

Note

$$\sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p!e} = 1$$

 $S \equiv \mathcal{E}[C]$ permutations

 $c(\phi)$ be the number of even length cycles in $\phi: N_n \rightarrow N_n$

$$S(x,y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\phi \in S_n} y^{c(\phi)} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$= \exp(C(x,y))$$

$$C = \bigoplus_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k \quad C_k(x,y) = \begin{cases} (k-1)! \frac{x^k}{k!} & k \geq 1 \text{ odd} \\ (k-1)! \frac{x^k}{k!} y & k \geq 2 \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$$C(x,y) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^{2j-1}}{2j-1} + y \frac{x^{2j}}{2j} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^{2j-1}}{2j-1} \right) + y \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2j}}{2j} \right)$$

$$\underbrace{\log\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{1}{1-x^2}\right)}_{\log\left(\frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1-x}\right)} \quad \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{1}{1-x^2}\right)$$

$$= \log\left(\frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1-x}\right) = \log\left(\frac{\sqrt{1+y}}{\sqrt{1-x}}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{1+y}{1-x}\right)$$

$$C(x,y) = \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{1+y}{1-x}\right) + \frac{y}{2} \log\left(\frac{1}{1-x^2}\right)$$

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Natural Classes of Structures

A natural class \mathcal{A} associates to each finite set X another finite set A_X satisfying the following axioms:

[*V] Given a structure α from \mathcal{A} one can compute $V_{\mathcal{A}}(\alpha) = X$, where X is the set of vertices of $\alpha: \alpha \in A_X$.

(Note: $\alpha \in A_X \cap A_Y$ then $X = V_{\mathcal{A}}(\alpha) = Y$. So if $X \neq Y$ then $A_X \cap A_Y = \emptyset$.)

[*C1] For any bijection $f: X \rightarrow Y$ there is an induced bijection $f_*: A_X \rightarrow A_Y$.
(Sometimes denoted $f_{\mathcal{A}}$ if necessary.)

[*C2] For $\text{id}_X: X \rightarrow X$ we have $(\text{id}_X)_{\mathcal{A}} = \text{id}_{A_X}: A_X \rightarrow A_X$.

[*C3] For $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ bijections, $g_* \circ f_* = (g \circ f)_*: A_X \rightarrow A_Z$.

Note that [X C1] implies that if $\#X = \#Y$ then $\#A_X = \#A_Y$.

Examples

Graphs \mathcal{G} (simple graphs)

For a finite set X , \mathcal{G}_X is the set of all pairs $\gamma = (X, E)$ with E a subset of 2-element subsets of X .

[*V]: Let $V_{\mathcal{G}}(\gamma) = X$.

[*C1]: For a bijection $f: X \rightarrow Y$ let $f_*(\gamma) = (Y, F)$ in which
 $F = \{ \{f(u), f(v)\}; \{u, v\} \in E \}$ (is a bijection)

[*C2]: Obvious.

[*C3]: Obvious.

Endofunctions

For X, Y finite sets, and a bijection $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and an endofunction $\phi \in \mathcal{F}_X$, let

$$f_*(\phi) = f \circ \phi \circ f^{-1}$$

Check the axioms.

Comparing Classes of Structures

Natural Transformations

Given natural classes \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} , a natural transformation $\tau: \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is as follows. For every finite set X , there is a function $\tau_X: \mathcal{A}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_X$

[*T] For any bijection $f: X \rightarrow Y$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A}_X & \xrightarrow{f_A} & \mathcal{A}_Y \\ \tau_X \downarrow & & \downarrow \tau_Y \\ \mathcal{B}_X & \xrightarrow{f_B} & \mathcal{B}_Y \end{array}$$

commutes. For any $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_X$, $(\tau_Y \circ f_A)(\alpha) = (f_B \circ \tau_X)(\alpha)$.

Examples

A natural transformation $\tau: \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \mathcal{G}$. Given $\phi \in \mathcal{F}_X$, let

$$\tau(\phi) = (X, E)$$

with

$$E = \{\{u, v\} \in X; u \neq v \text{ and either } u = \phi(v) \text{ or } v = \phi(u)\}.$$

Note: In general τ_x is neither injective nor surjective:

- $1 \xrightarrow{2} 2$ and $1 \rightleftarrows 2$ both map to $1 \xrightarrow{2}$;
- \triangleleft is not the image of any endofunction.

If τ_x is injective for all X we can say that A is a (natural) subclass of B .

Example: \mathcal{T} is a natural subclass of \mathcal{F} .

Exercise: Define $\tau_x: \mathcal{T}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x$ explicitly.

Then $(B|A)_x = \mathcal{B}_x \setminus \{\tau_x(\alpha); \alpha \in A_x\}$ has exponential generating function $B(x) - A(x)$.

Natural Equivalence

$A \equiv B$ means there are natural transformations

$$\tau: A \Rightarrow B \text{ and } \rho: B \Rightarrow A$$

such that for any finite set X

$$\tau_x: A_x \rightarrow B_x \text{ and } \rho_x: B_x \rightarrow A_x$$

are mutually inverse bijections.

Example: \mathcal{R} rooted trees

$\mathcal{R} \equiv X * \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{R}]$ is a natural equivalence

For a finite set X define $\tau_x: \mathcal{R}_x \rightarrow (X * \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{R}])_x$ as follows. Let $(T, v) \in \mathcal{R}_x$. Let the components of $T \setminus v$ be S_1, \dots, S_k . Let w_i be the unique neighbour of v in S_i .

$$\tau_x(T, v) = (v, \{(S_1, w_1), \dots, (S_k, w_k)\}).$$

Definition of ρ_x : exercise.

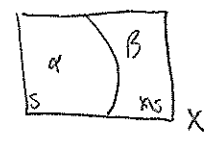
Natural Classes - Examples

A, B, C, \dots natural classes

• $(A * B)$ is natural

For a finite set X and $(\alpha, \beta) \in (A * B)_X$

$$V_{A * B}(\alpha, \beta) = V_A(\alpha) \cup V_B(\beta)$$



Induced bijection of $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is

$$f_*(\alpha, \beta) = (f_A(\alpha), f_B(\beta))$$

• Any two ways of parenthesizing a multiple product are naturally equivalent

natural classes sets & bijections elements
 $\{ (A * B) * (C * D) \cong (A * (B * C)) * D$
 $((A * B) * (C * D))_X \cong ((A * (B * C)) * D)_X$
 $\{ (\alpha, \beta), (\gamma, \delta) \} \longleftrightarrow \{ (\alpha, (\beta, \gamma)), \delta \}$

• $\mathcal{L} = X^* = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} X^k$ class of total orders, $X = E_1$.

On a set X , a typical X^k -structure naturally is a sequence $(\{v_1\}, \{v_2\}, \dots, \{v_k\})$

in which $\{v_1\} \cup \{v_2\} \cup \dots \cup \{v_k\} = X$ and the entries are pairwise disjoint, naturally equivalent to

$$(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k)$$

• S permutations $\{ S(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} = L(x) \}$
 $\mathcal{L} = X^*$ total orders $\{ \#S_n = n! = \#L_n \}$

superposition: $(A \& B)_X = A_X * B_X$ for any finite set X
 $(\alpha, \beta) : \alpha \in A_X, \beta \in B_X$

$$V(\alpha, \beta) = V_A(\alpha)$$

For $f: X \rightarrow Y$ a bijection $f_*(\alpha, \beta) = (f_A(\alpha), f_B(\beta))$

is natural

Claim: $S \& \mathcal{L} \cong \mathcal{L} \& \mathcal{L}$ naturally

Verification: Fix X . $(S \& \mathcal{L})_X \cong (\mathcal{L} \& \mathcal{L})_X$
 $(\sigma, \vec{v}) \longleftrightarrow (\vec{u}, \vec{w})$

natural transformations

$$\tau_X : (S \& \mathcal{L})_X \rightarrow (\mathcal{L} \& \mathcal{L})_X$$

$$\rho_X : (\mathcal{L} \& \mathcal{L})_X \rightarrow (S \& \mathcal{L})_X$$

mutually inverse bijections

Given (σ, \vec{v}) , $\sigma: X \rightarrow X$ bijection, $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k) \in \mathcal{L}_X$,
 Let

$$\vec{u} = (\sigma(v_1), \sigma(v_2), \dots, \sigma(v_k)) \in \mathcal{L}_X, \quad \vec{w} = \vec{v}$$

$$\tau_x(\sigma, \vec{v}) = (\vec{u}, \vec{w})$$

Given (\vec{u}, \vec{w}) , $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k)$, $\vec{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k)$

Let

$$\sigma(w_i) = u_i \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq k, \text{ so } \sigma \in S_x$$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{w}$$

$$\rho_x(\vec{u}, \vec{w}) = (\sigma, \vec{v})$$

In general, the operation $A \rightarrow A \& L$ is essentially numbering the elements of X in order $1, 2, \dots, n$ where $n = \#X$.

What about $S \equiv L$?

We need natural transformations

$$\tau: S \Rightarrow L \text{ and } \rho: L \Rightarrow S$$

that are mutually inverse bijections on any set X .

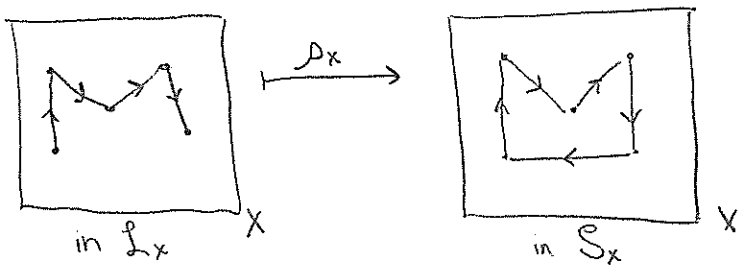


Image is $S_0 \oplus C$. Each $\sigma \in C_n$ is the image of n lists in L_n . This $\rho: L \Rightarrow S$ is natural.

In fact: there are no natural transformations from S to L .

Automorphisms

Let A be a natural class. Let X be a finite set. Let $\alpha \in A_x$. A permutation $\sigma: X \rightarrow X$ is an automorphism of α if $\sigma_*(\alpha) = \alpha$.

Example: G : class of graphs

Let

$$\text{aut}(\alpha) = \{ \sigma \in S_x ; \sigma_*(\alpha) = \alpha \}$$

Claim: $\text{aut}(\alpha)$ is a subgroup of S_X .

Proof: $\text{aut}(\alpha)$ is a subset of S_X . $1 = \text{id}_X: X \rightarrow X$ is in $\text{aut}(\alpha)$ since $(\text{id}_X)_* = \text{id}_{S_X}$ so $1(\alpha) = \alpha$, by [1.2]. For permutations $\sigma, \phi \in \text{aut}(\alpha)$,
 $(\sigma \circ \phi)_*(\alpha) = (\sigma_* \circ \phi_*)(\alpha) = \sigma_*(\phi_*(\alpha)) = \sigma_*(\alpha) = \alpha$.

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \cdot \text{aut}(\alpha) \subseteq S_X \\ \cdot \text{contains } 1 \\ \cdot \text{closed by composition} \end{array} \right\} \text{aut}(\alpha) \text{ is a group}$

□

Let \mathcal{P} be the class of permutation groups. For a finite set X , \mathcal{P}_X is the set of all subgroups of S_X .

Claim: For any natural class A ,
 $\text{aut}: A \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}$
 is a natural transformation.

(Note \mathcal{P} is a natural class:
 for $f: X \rightarrow Y$ bijection, $\Gamma \subseteq S_X$,
 $f_*(\Gamma) = \{f \circ \phi \circ f^{-1}; \phi \in \Gamma\} \subseteq S_Y$.)

Proof: Check this commutes: (for any bijection of finite sets $f: X \rightarrow Y$)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_X & \xrightarrow{f_A} & A_Y \\ \text{aut}_X \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{aut}_Y \\ \mathcal{P}_X & \xrightarrow{f_\mathcal{P}} & \mathcal{P}_Y \end{array}$$

For any $\alpha \in A_X$
 $\text{aut}_Y(f_A(\alpha)) = f_\mathcal{P}(\text{aut}_X(\alpha))$,
 as subgroups of S_Y .

For $\sigma \in S_Y$,

- $\sigma \in \text{aut}(f_A(\alpha))$ if and only if $\sigma_A(f_A(\alpha)) = f_A(\alpha)$
- $\sigma \in f_\mathcal{P}(\text{aut}(\alpha))$ if and only if there is a $\pi \in \text{aut}(\alpha)$ such that $\sigma = f \circ \pi \circ f^{-1}$.

Exercise: Show that these conditions on $\sigma \in S_Y$ are equivalent.

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□

Note: $(f^{-1})_* = (f_*)^{-1}$ for any bijection f and natural class. Follows from [C2.3].

Examples X a finite set

• Endomorphisms

$\phi \in \mathcal{F}_X$ an endomorphism $\phi: X \rightarrow X$

$\sigma \in S_X$ is in $\text{aut}(\phi)$ if and only if $\sigma_*(\phi) = \phi$,

i.e. $\sigma \circ \phi \circ \sigma^{-1} = \phi$ i.e. $\sigma \circ \phi = \phi \circ \sigma$

$\text{aut}(\phi)$ is the set of all $\sigma \in S_X$ that commute with ϕ .

• Lists $\mathcal{L} = X^*$

Given $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ in \mathcal{L}_X and $\sigma \in S_X$, when is $\sigma \in \text{aut}(\vec{v})$

$\sigma_1(\vec{v}) = \vec{v}$

$\sigma_i(\vec{v}) = (\sigma(v_1), \sigma(v_2), \dots, \sigma(v_n)) = \vec{v}$

if and only if $\sigma(v_i) = v_i$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$

if and only if $\sigma = \text{id}_X$ is the identity

For any list $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{L}_X$: $\text{aut}(\vec{v}) = \{\text{id}_X\}$

Proposition: Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be natural classes and let $\tau: \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ be a natural transformation. Fix a finite set X and $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_X$,

$$\text{aut}(\alpha) \subseteq \text{aut}(\tau(\alpha))$$

is an inclusion of permutation groups in \mathbb{P}_X .

Proof: Consider any $\sigma \in \text{aut}(\alpha)$. So $\sigma \in S_X$ and $\sigma_X(\alpha) = \alpha$. Now

$$\tau_X(\alpha) = \tau_X(\sigma_X(\alpha)) = \sigma_B(\tau_X(\alpha))$$

since $\sigma_X(\alpha) = \alpha$. So $\sigma \in \text{aut}(\tau_X(\alpha))$. So $\text{aut}(\alpha) \subseteq \text{aut}(\tau_X(\alpha))$. ■

Corollary: There are no natural transformations $\tau: S \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}$.

Proof: Let X be a set with $\#X \geq 2$. $\text{id}_X \in S_X$ and $\text{aut}(\text{id}_X) = S_X$.

If τ exists then $\tau_X(\text{id}_X) = \vec{v} \in \mathcal{L}_X$ and $\text{aut}(\vec{v}) = \{\text{id}_X\}$. Since $\#X \geq 2$, $\#S_X > 1$. So τ doesn't exist. ■

Question $S(x) = (1-x)^{-1} = L(x)$

but $S \neq L$ naturally

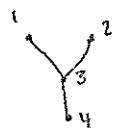
but $S \& L \equiv L \& L$ naturally

Given any two natural classes A, B such that $A(x) = B(x)$, does it follow that $A \& L \equiv B \& L$ naturally?

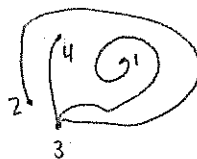
Homework Problems from Chapter 12:

• Labelled plane trees \mathcal{Q}

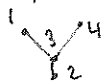
- Tree with vertex set $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ embedded in the plane \mathbb{R}^2 .
- up to "ambient isotopy"



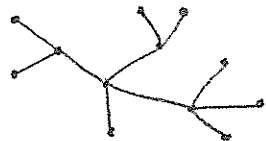
is ambient isotopic to



but not to



• Wiener index of a tree



$$W(T) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v, w \in V} \text{dist}_T(v, w)$$

What is

$\bar{W}(n)$ = average value of $W(T)$ among all n^{n-2} trees in \mathcal{T}_n ?

$$\bar{W}(n) = \frac{1}{n^{n-2}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_n} \sum_{v=1}^n \sum_{w=1}^n \text{dist}_T(v, w)$$

(T, v, w) is a doubly-rooted tree in \mathcal{T}_n .

• Productivity



$$\pi(T) = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = 24$$

$$\pi(T) = \prod_{v \in T} \text{deg}_T(v)$$

"It's good to think about hard problems even if you don't solve them. That's basically the story of my career."

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What is

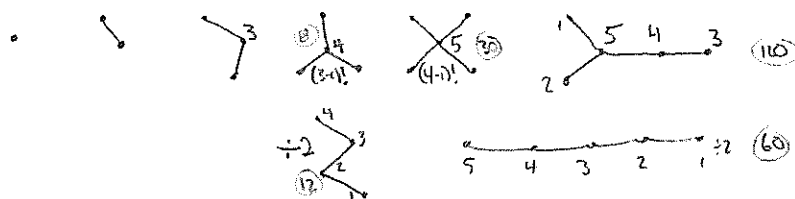
$$\bar{\pi}(n) = \frac{1}{n^{n-2}} \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_n} \pi(T)?$$

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Labelled Plane Trees

$h(n) = \#$ of labelled plane trees on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

n	0	1	2	3	4	5
$h(n)$	0	1	1	3	20	210



13. Combinatorial Proof of LIFT

Combinatorial interpretation of $\begin{cases} [x^n] F(R(x)) = \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] F'(u) G(u)^n \\ \text{when } R(x) = xG(R(x)) \\ \text{and } n \geq 1 \text{ and } [x^0] G(u) \neq 0 \end{cases}$

Exponential Generating Functions

$$F(u) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n \frac{u^n}{n!} \quad \text{and} \quad G(u) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n \frac{u^n}{n!}$$

Assume nothing about $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$: these and u are algebraically independent indeterminates commuting over a field \mathbb{K} . Anything provable for generic $F(u)$ and $G(u)$ holds for any specialization. Eg for a class A , $f_n \mapsto \#A_n$ $F(u) \mapsto A(x)$.

A generic class is just the class \mathcal{E} of sets. We mark a set of size n with f_n and we get

$$F(u) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n \frac{u^n}{n!}$$

$R(x) = x \cdot G(R(x))$ with

$$G(u) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n \frac{u^n}{n!} \quad \text{and} \quad g_0 \neq 0$$

On the level of classes,

$$R \equiv X * E[R].$$

$$R(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r_n \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Claim:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad r_n = \sum_{(T,v) \in \mathcal{T}_n} g^{(T,v)} \quad \text{where} \quad g^{(T,v)} = \prod_{w \in N_n} g_{c(T,v;w)}$$

and $c(T,v;w) = \#$ of children of w in (T,v)

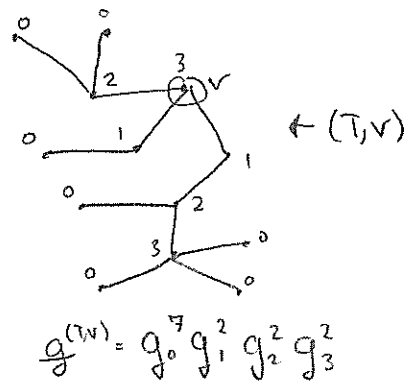
"Proof": By induction on n .

$$[x^0]R(x) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad [x^1]R(x) = g_0$$

corresponds to $\textcircled{1} g_0$

Assume $\textcircled{1}$ for all values strictly less than n .

$$\begin{aligned} r_n &= n! [x^n]R(x) \\ &= n! [x^n]XG(R(x)) \\ &= n! [x^{n-1}] \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g_k \frac{R(x)^k}{k!} \\ &= n \cdot (n-1)! [x^{n-1}] \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g_k \frac{R(x)^k}{k!} \end{aligned}$$



By induction,

$$m! [x^m]R(x) = \sum_{(T,v) \in \mathcal{T}_m} g^{(T,v)}$$

for all $0 \leq m < n$.

$$\frac{R(x)^k}{k!} = \sum_{\Phi \in \mathcal{E}_k[\mathcal{T}^*]} \prod_{(T,v) \in \Phi} g^{(T,v)}$$

Formally

on a set X (of size n)

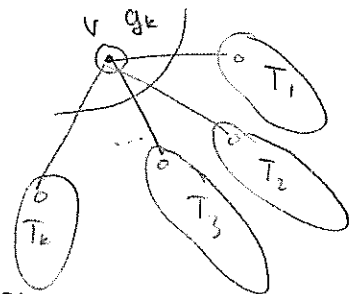
$$R = X * E[R]$$

$$R_x \Rightarrow (X * E[R])_x$$

$$(T,v) \leftrightarrow (\{v\}, \{(s_1, w_1), \dots, (s_k, w_k)\})$$

$$g^{(T,v)} = g_k \prod_{i=1}^k g^{(s_i, w_i)}$$

$$R = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{(T,v) \in \mathcal{T}_n} g^{(T,v)} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad \text{satisfies} \quad R = XG(R).$$



eg. Let $g_0 = g_1 = g_2 = 1$ and $g_k = 0$ for $k \geq 3$. Then every vertex has at most two children.

$$A \equiv X * (\mathcal{E}_0 \oplus \mathcal{E}_1 \oplus \mathcal{E}_2) [A]$$

$$A(x) = x(1 + A(x) + A(x)^2/2)$$

For $n \geq 1$: $n! [x^n] F(R(x)) = n! \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] F'(u) G(u)^n$

Consider \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} as "generic" (natural) classes of structures ($\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{G} = \mathcal{E}$, sets). Then $\mathcal{R} \equiv X * \mathcal{G}[\mathcal{R}]$ has exponential generating function $R(x) = X G(R(x))$.

LHS: $n! [x^n] F(R(x))$ is tracking sets of rooted trees with n vertices: A forest $\varphi = \{(T_1, v_1), \dots, (T_k, v_k)\}$ of rooted trees contributes

$$M(\varphi) = \prod_{i=1}^k g^{(T_i, v_i)}$$

RHS: $F'(u) = \frac{d}{du} F(u) = u \cdot F^*(u)$

$G(u)^n$ is the exponential generating function of \mathcal{G}^n

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

$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot \text{sum over all structures in } \mathcal{F}^* * \mathcal{G}^n \text{ on the set } \{1, \dots, n\}$

$\sigma = ((A, v), B_1, \dots, B_n) \in (\mathcal{F}^* * \mathcal{G}^n)_n$ contributes

$$m(\sigma) = \prod_{i=1}^n g_{\#B_i}$$

Dividing by n is unpleasant.

$$n \cdot n! [x^n] F(R(x)) = n! [u^n] F^*(u) G(u)^n$$

$$n! [x^n] (F(R(x)))^*$$

To prove this we want a bijection

$$(\mathcal{F}[\mathcal{R}])^*_n \rightleftharpoons (\mathcal{F}^* * \mathcal{G})_n$$

$$\varphi = \{(T_1, v_1), \dots, (T_k, v_k)\} \leftrightarrow ((A, v), B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n) = \sigma$$

$M(\varphi) = m(\sigma)$

missing root!!!

On the LHS we have a forest of rooted trees φ and a "special" vertex w :

$$(\varphi, w) \text{ with } \varphi = \{(T_1, v_1), \dots, (T_k, v_k)\} \in \mathcal{F}[\mathcal{R}]_n, w \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

(φ, w) is counted using the monomial

$$M(\varphi) = f_{\#\varphi} \prod_{(T,v) \in \varphi} g_{\#T,v}$$

On the RHS we have

$$\sigma = ((A, v), B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n)$$

A, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n are sets that together cover every element of $\{1, \dots, n\}$ exactly once each.

Also $v \in A$. σ is counted with the monomial

$$m(\sigma) = f_{\#A} \prod_{i=1}^n g_{\#B_i}$$

$$\mathcal{F}[R]_n \cong (\mathcal{F} * \mathcal{G}^n)_n$$

$$(\varphi, w) \longleftrightarrow \sigma = (A, v, B_1, \dots, B_n)$$

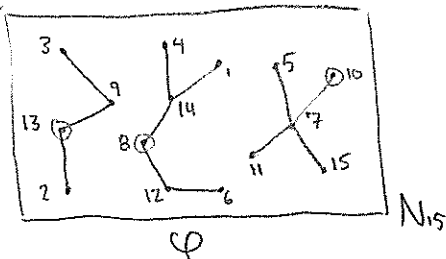
$$M(\varphi) = m(\sigma)$$

To begin with, define a function

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}[R]_n &\rightarrow (\mathcal{F} * \mathcal{G}^n)_n \\ \varphi &\mapsto (A, C_1, \dots, C_n) \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{\#\varphi} \prod_{(T,v) \in \varphi} g_{\#T,v} = f_{\#A} \prod_{i=1}^n g_{\#C_i}$$

Example



$$M(\varphi) = f_{13} (g_3 g_9 g_2) (g_4 g_{14} g_{12} g_6) (g_5 g_7 g_{11} g_{15})$$

Let A be the set of roots of the trees in φ . Then $f_{\#\varphi} = f_{\#A}$.

Define (C_1, \dots, C_n) by Breadth First Search on φ

Let $A = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ be the roots of the components of φ in

ascending numerical order $v_1 < v_2 < \dots < v_k$. ← Let L be an empty list

For each $1 \leq i \leq k$ do:

put v_i at the start of a queue Q .

While Q is not empty do:

Let C be the set of children of the first vertex on Q .
 Append the vertices of C to Q in ascending numerical order.
 Append the set C to the list L .
 Delete the first vertex of Q .

Output: (A, L) $\leftarrow L = C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$

Example (continued)

$A = \{8, 10, 13\}$

$L: \{12, 14\}, \{6\}, \{1, 4\}, \dots$

$Q: \cancel{8}, \cancel{12}, \cancel{14}, \cancel{6}, \cancel{1}, \cancel{4}$
 $\{12, 14\} \{6\} \{1, 4\} \emptyset \emptyset \emptyset$

$q^3 q_1 q_2^2$

$Q: \cancel{10}, \cancel{7}, \cancel{5}, \cancel{11}, \cancel{15}$
 $\{7\} \{5, 11, 15\} \emptyset \emptyset \emptyset$

$q^3 q_1 q_3$

$Q: \cancel{13}, \cancel{2}, \cancel{9}, \cancel{3}$
 $\{2, 9\} \emptyset \{3\} \emptyset$

$q_0^2 q_1 q_2$

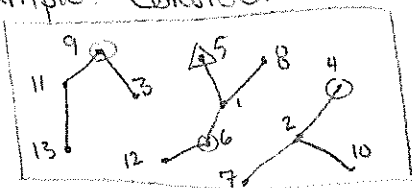
Every vertex of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is in exactly one of the sets A, C_1, \dots, C_n .

So (A, C_1, \dots, C_n) is in $(\mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{G}^n)_n$.

$$\mathcal{F}[R]_n \rightarrow (\mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{G}^n)_n$$

is injective, but not surjective.

Example. Consider:



φ
 roots \square
 $w \triangle$

Let A be the set of roots of components of φ .

Let v be the root of the component of φ containing w .

Do breadth first search on components of φ always going in ascending numerical order, recording the set of children of each node.

"that's how not to run the algorithm"

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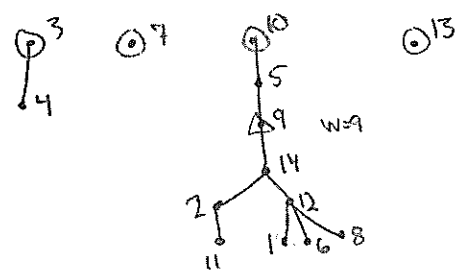
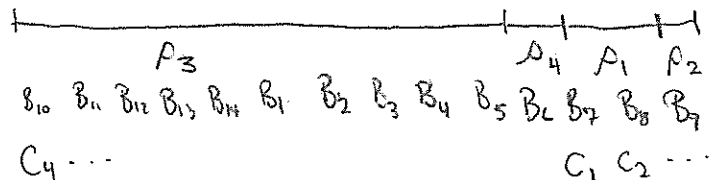
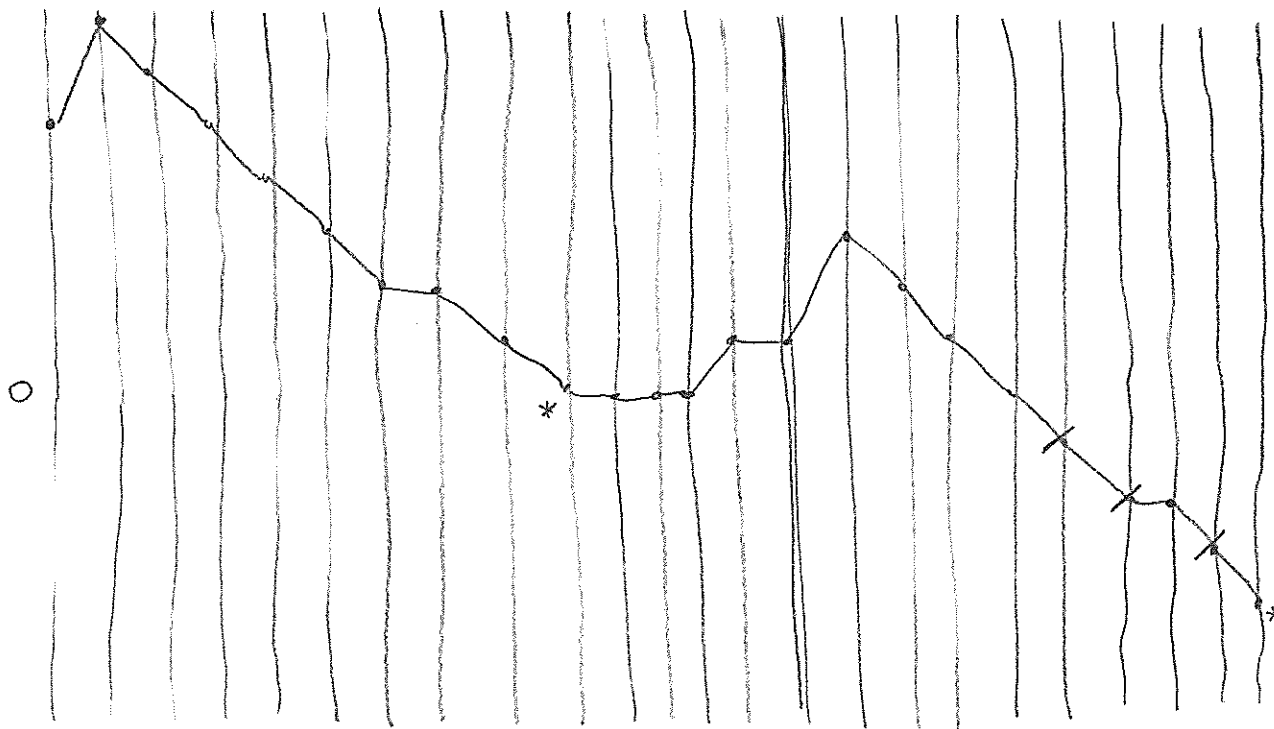
- Exactly r cyclic shifts of the b_i 's are r -fold simple Ramsey sequences;
- These are obtained by cyclically shifting the blocks p_1, \dots, p_r of any one of them. $p_i p_{j+1} \dots p_r p_1 \dots p_{j-1}$.

See book for final details.

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Example: $n=14, A=\{3,7,10,13\}, r=10$

$b_i = \#B_i - 1$	2	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0	0	0	1	0
	1,6,8					4		5	9	14	2,12	11		
	B_1	B_2	B_3	B_4	B_5	B_6	B_7	B_8	B_9	B_{10}	B_{11}	B_{12}	B_{13}	B_{14}



B_i is the p^{th} set in the s^{th} block
 w is the p^{th} vertex in the s^{th} tree

The number of rooted trees on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ with exactly k terminal vertices is

$$(n-k)! \binom{n}{k} S(n-1, n-k).$$

Discussion.

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Nested Set Systems

Def) A nested set system is a pair (X, Δ) where:

- X is a finite set;
- Δ is a collection of subsets of X such that if $A, B \in \Delta$ then either $A \subseteq B$, $B \subseteq A$, or $A \cap B = \emptyset$

For any finite set X , \mathcal{N}_X is the set of all nested set systems on X .

This defines a natural class \mathcal{N} . For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, what is $\#\mathcal{N}_n$?

• $n=0$: $\#\mathcal{N}_0 = 2$, (\emptyset, \emptyset) , $(\emptyset, \{\emptyset\})$

• $n=1$: $\#\mathcal{N}_1 = 4$, $(\{1\}, \emptyset)$, $(\{1\}, \{\emptyset\})$, $(\{1\}, \{\{1\}\})$, $(\{1\}, \{\emptyset, \{1\}\})$

• $n=2$: $\#\mathcal{N}_2 = 2^4 = 16$

• $n=3$: $\#\mathcal{N}_3 = 2^8 - 2^6 - 2^6 - 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^5 = 128$



not allowed

Let

$$N(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{(X, \Delta) \in \mathcal{N}_n} y^{\#\Delta} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N_n(y) \frac{x^n}{n!}.$$

From the above,

$$N_0 = 1 + y, \quad N_1 = (1 + y)^2, \quad N_2 = (1 + y)^4.$$

But what about N_3 ?

Reductions for \mathcal{N} : Sets of size zero or one are no problem: If $A \in \Delta$ and $\#A \leq 1$, then $(X, \Delta \setminus \{A\})$ is nested if and only if (X, Δ) is nested. Thus we say Δ is proper if $\#A \geq 2$ for all $A \in \Delta$, and denote the proper part of Δ by $\Delta^\circ := \{A \in \Delta; \#A \geq 2\}$.

Let \mathcal{M} be the class of proper nested set systems

Consider any \mathcal{N}_x . We have three functions:

- \mathcal{N}_\emptyset is the set of \mathcal{N} -structures on \emptyset

$$\mathcal{N}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_\emptyset$$

$$(X, \Delta) \mapsto (\emptyset, \{A \in \Delta; A = \emptyset\})$$

- Let $\mathcal{P}_x := \{(X, A); A \subseteq X\}$, a natural class with $\#\mathcal{P}_x = 2^{\#X}$

$$\mathcal{N}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_x$$

$$(X, \Delta) \mapsto (X, \{v \in X; \{v\} \in \Delta\})$$

- Finally,

$$\mathcal{N}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_x$$

$$(X, \Delta) \mapsto (X, \Delta^\circ).$$

Together, this is one direction of a natural equivalence

$$\mathcal{N} \cong \mathcal{N}_\emptyset * (\mathcal{P} \& \mathcal{M}).$$

Let (X, Δ) be a proper nested set system. Note

- it is a disjoint union of components,

- each component is either a vertex or a "cell".

(Let \mathcal{Q} be the class of cells. Then $\mathcal{M} \cong \mathcal{E} * \mathcal{E}[\mathcal{Q}]$.)

- a cell in \mathcal{Q}_x is a proper nested set system (X, Δ) with $X \in \Delta$.

Consider $(X, \Delta \setminus \{X\})$, which is a nested set system, and $\#X \geq 2$.

We have (note $\mathcal{E}_0 = (\emptyset, \emptyset)$ and $\mathcal{E}_1 = (\{1\}, \emptyset)$ are proper)

$$\mathcal{Q} \cong \mathcal{M} \setminus (\mathcal{E}_0 \oplus \mathcal{E}_1 \oplus \mathcal{Q})$$

$$(X, \Delta) \mapsto (X, \Delta \setminus \{X\}).$$

