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# Simple labeled graphs

- g<sub>n</sub>: the number of labeled graphs with *n* vertices,
- $\mathfrak{cg}_n$ : the number of connected labeled graphs with *n* vertices.



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Can we have all terms at once? What is the interpretation?

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# Asymptotics for connected graphs

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2019)

For any positive integer r, the probability  $p_n$  that a random labeled graph of size n is connected, satisfies

$$p_n = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \operatorname{it}_k \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{2^{k(k+1)/2}}{2^{nk}} + O\left(\frac{n^r}{2^{nr}}\right),$$

where  $\mathfrak{it}_k$  is the number of irreducible labeled tournaments of size k.

$$(\mathfrak{it}_k) = 1, 0, 2, 24, 544, 22320, 1677488, \ldots$$

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### Tournaments

A tournament is a complete directed graph.



The number of labeled tournaments with n vertices is

$$\mathfrak{t}_n = 2^{\binom{n}{2}}$$

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### Irreducible tournaments

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Equivalently, a tournament is strongly connected: for each two vertices u and v

- **1** there is a path from u to v,
- 2 there is a path from v to u.





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### Tournament as a sequence

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# SET and SEQ decompositions



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# Key tool of the proof: Bender's theorem

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# Key tool of the proof: Bender's theorem

#### Theorem (Bender, 1975)

• 
$$A(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$
,  $a_n \neq 0$ ,

$$B(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n = F(z, A(z)),$$

• 
$$C(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(z, A(z)),$$

$$rac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} 
ightarrow 0$$
, as  $n 
ightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\exists r \geq 1 : \sum_{k=r}^{n-r} |a_k a_{n-k}| = O(a_{n-r}).$$

Then  $b_n = \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} c_k a_{n-k} + O(a_{n-r}).$ 

Application to graphs:

• A(z) = G(z) - 1 = T(z) - 1,

• 
$$F(x,y) = \log(1+y)$$
,

$$\blacksquare \ B(z) = \log (G(z)) = CG(z),$$

• 
$$C(z) = \frac{1}{T(z)} = 1 - IT(z),$$

The last two condition hold, hence,

$$\frac{\mathfrak{cg}_n}{n!} = \frac{\mathfrak{g}_n}{n!} - \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \frac{\mathfrak{it}_k \mathfrak{g}_{n-k}}{k!(n-k)!} + O(\mathfrak{a}_{n-r}).$$

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### Combinatorial constructions

**1** 
$$\mathcal{U} = \operatorname{SET}(\mathcal{V}),$$
  $U(z) = \exp(V(z)).$ 

2 
$$\mathcal{U} = SEQ(\mathcal{W}),$$
  $U(z) = \frac{1}{1 - W(z)}.$ 

3 
$$\mathcal{V} = \operatorname{CYC}(\mathcal{W}),$$
  $V(z) = \log \frac{1}{1 - W(z)}.$ 

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### Gargantuan sequences and combinatorial classes

A sequence  $(a_n)$  is gargantuan, if

1 
$$\frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} \to 0$$
, as  $n \to \infty$ ,  
2  $\sum_{k=r}^{n-r} |a_k a_{n-k}| = O(a_{n-r})$  for any  $r \ge 1$ .

A labeled combinatorial class A is gargantuan, if the sequence  $(a_n/n!)$  is gargantuan, i.e.

1 
$$n \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{a}_{n-1}}{\mathfrak{a}_n} \to 0$$
, as  $n \to \infty$ ,  
2  $\sum_{k=r}^{n-r} \binom{n}{k} |\mathfrak{a}_k \mathfrak{a}_{n-k}| = O(n^r \mathfrak{a}_{n-r})$  for any  $r \ge 1$ .

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# Asymptotics notation

For a sequence  $(a_n)$  and an integer m, we write

$$a_n \approx \sum_{k \geqslant m} f_k(n),$$

if. for any integer  $r \ge m+1$ , one has

$$a_n = \sum_{k=m}^{r-1} f_k(n) + O(f_r(n)),$$

where the sequence  $(f_k)$  satisfies  $f_{k+1}(n) = o(f_k(n))$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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# SET asymptotics

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2019+)

If  $\mathcal{U},\,\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  are such combinatorial classes that

- U is gargantuan with positive counting sequence,
- $\mathcal{U} = \operatorname{SET}(\mathcal{V})$  and  $\mathcal{U} = \operatorname{SEQ}(\mathcal{W})$ ,

then

$$p_n := \frac{\mathfrak{v}_n}{\mathfrak{u}_n} \approx 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \mathfrak{w}_k \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{u}_{n-k}}{\mathfrak{u}_n}.$$

Combinatorial meaning:  $p_n$  is the probability that a random object of size *n* from U is irreducible in terms of SET-decomposition.

# SEQ asymptotics

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2019+)

If  $\mathcal{U},\,\mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{W}^{(2)}$  are such combinatorial classes that

U is gargantuan with positive counting sequence,

• 
$$\mathcal{U} = SEQ(\mathcal{W})$$
 and  $\mathcal{W}^{(2)} = SEQ_2(\mathcal{W})$ ,

then

$$q_n := \frac{\mathfrak{w}_n}{\mathfrak{u}_n} \approx 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \left( 2\mathfrak{w}_k - \mathfrak{w}_k^{(2)} \right) \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{u}_{n-k}}{\mathfrak{u}_n}$$

Combinatorial meaning:  $q_n$  is the probability that a random object of size n from  $\mathcal{U}$  is irreducible in terms of SEQ-decomposition.

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# CYC asymptotics

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2020+)

If  ${\mathcal V}$  and  ${\mathcal W}$  are such combinatorial classes that

- $\mathcal{V}$  is gargantuan with positive counting sequence,
- $\mathcal{V} = CYC(\mathcal{W})$ ,

then

$$r_n := \frac{\mathfrak{w}_n}{\mathfrak{v}_n} \approx 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \mathfrak{w}_k \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{v}_{n-k}}{\mathfrak{v}_n}.$$

Combinatorial meaning:  $r_n$  is the probability that a random object of size n from  $\mathcal{V}$  is irreducible in terms of CYC-decomposition.

# Example: asymptotics for irreducible tournaments

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2019)

The probability  $q_n$  that a random labeled tournament of size n is irreducible, satisfies

$$q_n = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \left( 2\mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{t}_k - \mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{t}_k^{(2)} \right) \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{2^{k(k+1)/2}}{2^{nk}} + O\left(\frac{n^r}{2^{nr}}\right),$$

where  $\mathfrak{it}_k^{(2)}$  is the number of labeled tournaments of size k with two irreducible components.

$$(\mathfrak{it}_k) = 1, \quad 0, \ 2, \ 24, \ 544, \ 22320, \ \dots$$
  
 $(\mathfrak{it}_k^{(2)}) = 0, \ 2, \ 0, \ 16, \ 240, \ 6608, \ \dots$   
 $(2\mathfrak{it}_k - \mathfrak{it}_k^{(2)}) = 2, \ -2, \ 4, \ 32, \ 848, \ 38032, \ \dots$ 

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# Application to random surfaces

	square-tiled surfaces	combinatorial map model	
	translation surfaces	surfaces obtained	
u <sub>n</sub>	obtained by gluing squares,	by gluing polygons,	
	$\{(\sigma, \tau) \mid \sigma, \tau \in S_n^2\}$	$\{(\sigma, \tau) \mid \tau \text{ is perfect matching}\}$	
$\mathfrak{v}_n$	connected surfaces	connected surfaces	
	$\{(\sigma, \tau) \mid \tau \text{ is indecomposable} \}$	$\{(\sigma, \tau) \mid \tau \text{ is indecomposable} \}$	
h <sub>n</sub>	permutation}	perfect matching}	
p <sub>n</sub>	$\mathbb{P}\{$ surface is connected $\}$	$\mathbb{P}\{$ surface is connected $\}$	
	$\mathbb{P}\{permutation \ is$	$\mathbb{P}\{perfect \ matching \ is \}$	
$q_n$	indecomposable}	indecomposable}	
u <sub>n</sub>	n!	n!(n-1)!!, <i>n</i> is even	
$\mathfrak{v}_n$	$1, 3, 26, 426, 11064 \dots$	0, 2, 0, 60, 0, 8880	
$\mathfrak{w}_n$	$\mathfrak{w}_n = n! \cdot m_n$	$\mathfrak{w}_{2n}=(2n)!\cdot m_{2n}$	
m <sub>n</sub>	$(m_n) = 1, 1, 3, 13, 71, 461 \dots$	$(m_{2n}) = 1, 2, 10, 74, 706, \ldots$	

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# SEQ asymptotics, revisited

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., <u>2020+</u>)

If  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{W}^{(m)}, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , are such combinatorial classes that

U is gargantuan with positive counting sequence,

• 
$$\mathcal{U} = SEQ(\mathcal{W})$$
 and  $\mathcal{W}^{(m)} = SEQ_m(\mathcal{W})$ ,

then

$$q_n^{(m)} := \frac{\mathfrak{w}_n^{(m)}}{\mathfrak{u}_n} \approx \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \beta_k^{(m)} \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{u}_{n-k}}{\mathfrak{u}_n}$$
$$\beta_k^{(m)} = m \Big( \mathfrak{w}_k^{(m-1)} - 2\mathfrak{w}_k^{(m)} + \mathfrak{w}_k^{(m+1)} \Big).$$

where

Combinatorial meaning:  $q_n^{(m)}$  is the probability that a random object of size *n* from  $\mathcal{U}$  has exactly *m* irreducible components in terms of SEQ-decomposition.

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# Combinatorial classes: limited applicability

- Coefficients can be negative (hence, there is no direct combinatorial meaning in terms of combinatorial classes).
- In certain cases, there is a decomposition

$$\mathcal{U} = \operatorname{SET}(\mathcal{V}),$$

but we have no class  $\ensuremath{\mathcal{W}}$  such that

$$\mathcal{U} = SEQ(\mathcal{W}),$$

and our theorem is not applicable. We would like to have an "anti-SEQ" operator to create this class.

# Species of structures

A species of structures is a rule F such that

- **1** for each finite set U, F produces a finite set F[U];
- **2** for each bijection  $\sigma: U \rightarrow V$ , F produces a transport function

 $F[\sigma] \colon F[U] \to F[V] :$ 

such that

**1** for all bijections 
$$\sigma \colon U \to V$$
 and  $\tau \colon V \to W$ ,

$$F[\tau \circ \sigma] = F[\tau] \circ F[\sigma];$$

2 for the identity map:

$$\mathsf{F}[\mathrm{Id}_U] = \mathrm{Id}_{\mathsf{F}[U]};$$

**3** if *F* is weighted, the weights are preserved:

$$w_U = w_V \circ F[\sigma].$$

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# Species operations

Species admit natural operations:

- sum,
- product,
- substitusion,
- derivative...

These operations satisfy natural properties, say,

# Examples of species

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### Decomposition and gargantuan species

• Each species *F* admits a decomposition

$$F=F_0+F_1+F_2+F_3+\ldots,$$

where  $F_n$  is the restriction of F to cardinality n, i.e.

$$F_n[U] = \begin{cases} F[U] & \text{if } |U| = n \\ \emptyset & \text{if } |U| \neq n. \end{cases}$$

• A species F is gargantuan, if the sequence (|F[n]|/n!) is gargantuan, where  $[n] = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ .

# Virtual species

- Species constitute a semi-ring Spe.
- Virtual species are elements of

$$Virt = (Spe \times Spe) / \sim,$$

where  $(F,G) \sim (H,K) \Leftrightarrow F + K = G + H.$ 

Virtual species is a commutative ring with

- zero the empty species 0,
- one the characteristic of the empty set 1.
- Some additional operations in Virt:
  - subtraction,
  - multiplicative inverse  $F^{-1}$  (if  $F_0 = 1$ ),
  - the inverse under substitution  $F^{(-1)}$  (if  $F_0 = 0$  and  $F_1 = \mathcal{Z}$ ).

### Correspondance between combinatorial classes and species

combinatorial classes			species of structures	
$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\operatorname{SET}(\mathcal{B})$		$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\mathcal{E}\circ\mathcal{B}$
$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\mathrm{SEQ}(\mathcal{B})$		$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\mathcal{L} \circ \mathcal{B}$
$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\operatorname{CYC}(\mathcal{B})$		$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\mathcal{CP}\circ\mathcal{B}$
$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\operatorname{SET}_m(\mathcal{B})$	$\Leftrightarrow$	$\mathcal{A}$ =	$\mathcal{E}_m \circ \mathcal{B}$
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# SET asymptotics in terms of species

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2021+)

If  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B}^{\{m\}}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , are such (weighted) species that •  $\mathcal{A}$  is gargantuan with positive total weights on [n],  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , •  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{E} \circ \mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B}^{\{m\}} = \mathcal{E}_m \circ \mathcal{B}$ , then  $p_n^{\{m\}} := \frac{\mathfrak{b}_n^{\{m\}}}{\mathfrak{a}_n} \approx \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \mathfrak{c}_k \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{a}_{n-k}}{\mathfrak{a}_n}$ . where  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{B}^{\{m-1\}}(\mathcal{E}^{-1} \circ \mathcal{B}) \equiv \mathcal{B}^{\{m-1\}}((1 - \mathcal{L}_+^{(-1)}) \circ \mathcal{A}_+)$ .

Combinatorial meaning:  $p_n^{\{m\}}$  is the probability that a random object of size *n* from  $\mathcal{U}$  has exactly *m* irreducible components in terms of SET-decomposition.

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# SEQ asymptotics in terms of species

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 A = L ∘ B and B<sup>(m)</sup> = L<sub>m</sub> ∘ B.

then

$$q_n^{(m)} := \frac{\mathfrak{b}_n^{(m)}}{\mathfrak{a}_n} \approx \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \mathfrak{c}_k \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{a}_{n-k}}{\mathfrak{a}_n}$$

where  $C = m\mathcal{B}^{m-1}(1-\mathcal{B})^2$ .

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then

$$\mathbf{r}_n^{[m]} := \frac{\mathbf{b}_n^{[m]}}{\mathbf{a}_n} \approx \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \mathbf{c}_k \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{a}_{n-k}}{\mathbf{a}_n}.$$

where  $C = \mathcal{B}^{m-1}(1-\mathcal{B}).$ 

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# Applications: Erdös-Rényi model G(n, p)

Fix  $p \in (0, 1)$ , q = 1 - p.

Consider a random labeled graph G:

- *p* is the probability of edge presence;
- q = 1 p is the probability of edge absence;

• 
$$\rho = pq^{-1} = q^{-1} - 1.$$

$$\mathbb{P}(G) = p^{|E(G)|} q^{\binom{n}{2} - |E(G)|} = \frac{\rho^{|E(G)|}}{(\rho + 1)^{\binom{n}{2}}}$$

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# Applications: Erdös-Rényi model, continued

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2020+)

a) The probability  $p_n$  that a random graph with n vertices is connected satisfies

$$p_n \approx 1 - \sum_{k \ge 1} P_k(\rho) \cdot {n \choose k} \cdot \frac{q^{nk}}{q^{k(k+1)/2}},$$

where

$$P_k(\rho) = \sum_{|V(G)|=k} (-1)^{\pi_0(G)-1} w(G).$$

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# Applications: Erdös-Rényi model, continued

#### Theorem (Monteil, N., 2020+)

b) The probability  $p_n^{\{m\}}$  that a random graph with n vertices has exactly m connected components satisfies

$$p_n^{\{m\}} \approx \sum_{k \ge 0} \boldsymbol{P}_k^{\{m\}}(\rho) \cdot \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{q^{nk}}{q^{k(k+1)/2}},$$

#### where

$$P_k^{\{m\}}(\rho) = \sum_{|V(G)|=k} (-1)^{\pi_0(G)-m} \binom{\pi_0(G)}{m-1} w(G).$$

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# Unlabeled objects

<u>Question 1.</u> What are the asymptotic expansions for unlabeled combinatorial constructions?

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The theory of species treats both labeled and unlabeled cases.

<u>Question 2.</u> Can we combine the results for labeled and unlabeled cases within the framework of the theory of species?

# Another type of irreducibles

The notion of irreducibility can be understood broader (see Beissinger). For instance, ordinary generating functions of "noncrossing compositions" satisfy

$$A(z)=1+I(zA(z)).$$

Question 3. Can we have any combinatorial interpretation for the coefficients arising in the asymptotic expansions of the probability that a random object is irreducible in the sense of the above relation?

# The Erdös-Rényi model

<u>Question 4.</u> Can we interpret the coefficients  $P_k(\rho)$  as a generalization of irreducible tournaments?

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<u>Question 5.</u> Can we build a fruitful theory of phase transition for asymptotic expansions?

General results in terms of species

Open problems

### Many thanks to listeners

# Thank you for your attention!

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