# Asymptotics of endhered patterns in perfect matchings

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## Perfect matchings

• A (perfect) matching is an involution without fixed points.

A matching of size *n* consists of 2*n* points and *n* arcs:



• There are (2n-1)!! matchings of size *n*.

#### Endhered patterns

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Endhered patterns are encoded by permutations:



 $\leftrightarrow \tau =$ 

 $\tau = 132$ 

•  $a_{n,k}(\tau) = \#\{\text{matchings of size } n \text{ with } k \text{ patterns } \tau\}.$ 

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### Endhered twists

Left endhered twist: reverse all runs of consecutive left points.



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Right endhered twist: reverse all runs of consecutive right points.



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# (Wilf) equivalent patterns



• Left twist: relabeling  $1, \ldots, p \rightarrow p, \ldots, 1$  in a pattern.

Right twist: reversing a pattern.

$$a_{n,k}(\tau) = a_{n,k}(\operatorname{letw}(\tau)) = a_{n,k}(\operatorname{retw}(\tau)).$$

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Generating: 
$$a_{n+1,k} = a_{n,k-1} + a_{n,k-1}$$



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Generating:  $a_{n+1,k} = a_{n,k-1} + \frac{2(k+1)a_{n,k+1}}{2(k+1)a_{n,k+1}}$ 



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Insertion:

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Inclusion-exclusion:

$$a_{n+1,0} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} (-1)^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} (2k+1)!!$$

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#### Pattern $\tau = 21$ , generating function and asymptotics

Generating function:

$$A(z,u) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{n,k} \frac{z^n}{n!} u^k$$

Exact form:

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial z}(z,u) = \frac{e^{z(u-1)}}{\sqrt{(1-2z)^3}}$$

Asymptotics:

$$a_{n,k} \sim \frac{1}{2^k k!} \left(\frac{2}{e}\right)^{n+1/2} n^n$$

as  $n \to \infty$ .

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 $A_{2143}(z) = 1 + z^2$ 

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## Self-overlapping permutations

Permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$  is **self-overlapping** if there is k < n:

1 
$$\{1, \ldots, k\}$$
 is invariant under  $\sigma$ ,

**2**  $\{n-k+1,\ldots,n\}$  is invariant under  $\sigma$ ,

**3**  $\sigma(1) \dots \sigma(k)$  and  $\sigma(n-k+1) \dots \sigma(n)$  are isomorphic.



It is always possible to choose  $k \leq n/2$ .

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Structure of self-overlapping permutations

• Let  $\sigma \in S_n$  and  $\sigma(1) < \sigma(n)$ .

Then  $\sigma$  is non-self-overlapping iff  $A_{\sigma}(z) = 1$ .

• Every permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$  can be decomposed as

$$\sigma = \sigma_1 \oplus \ldots \oplus \sigma_m \oplus \tau \oplus \sigma_m \oplus \ldots \oplus \sigma_1$$

where

 σ<sub>i</sub> are non-self-overlapping,
 τ is empty or non-self-overlapping.



## Asymptotics of non-self-overlapping permutations

Generating functions:

$$P(z) = rac{1 + N(z)}{1 - N(z^2)},$$

where

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Asymptotics:

$$\mathbb{P}(\sigma \text{ is non-self-overlapping}) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \frac{\mathfrak{no}_k}{(n)_{2k}} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^{2r}}\right) \,,$$

where

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# Asymptotics for $a_{n,k}(\tau)$ with $A_{\tau}(z) = 1$

- Let au be a non-self-overlapping pattern, i.e.  $A_{ au}(z) = 1$ .
- Generating function of matchings:

$$S(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2n-1)!! z^n$$

Generating function with respect to *τ*:

$$\sum_{n,k\geq 0}a_{n,k}(\tau)\,z^n u^k=S\Big(z+(u-1)z^{|\tau|}\Big)$$

Asymptotics:

$$a_{n,k}(\tau) \sim rac{2^{1/2}}{k! \, 2^{k(|\tau|-1)}} \left(rac{2}{e}
ight)^n n^{n-k(|\tau|-2)}$$

as  $n \to \infty$ .

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# Asymptotics for $a_{n,k}(\tau)$ with $A_{\tau}(z) \neq 1$

- Let au be a self-overlapping permutation,  $A_{ au}(z) = 1 + z^m + \dots$
- Generating function with respect to  $\tau$ :

$$\sum_{n,k\geq 0} a_{n,k}(\tau) z^n u^k = S\left(\frac{z+(u-1)z^{|\tau|}}{1-(u-1)(A_{\tau}(z)-1)}\right)$$

• Asymptotics: as  $n \to \infty$ ,

$$a_{n,k}(\tau) \sim \begin{cases} \frac{2^{1/2}}{k! \, 2^{km}} \left(\frac{2}{e}\right)^n n^{n-k(m-1)} & \text{if } m = |\tau| - 1\\ \frac{(2n)^{n-km} 2^{1/2}}{e^n} \sum_{s=1}^k \frac{1}{s! \, 2^s} {k-1 \choose s-1} & \text{if } m = |\tau| - 2\\ \frac{(2n)^{n-km-(|\tau|-2-m)}}{e^n 2^{1/2}} & \text{if } m < |\tau| - 2 \end{cases}$$

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Asymptotics of factorially divergent series (Borinsky)

$$a_n = \alpha^{n+\beta} \Gamma(n+\beta) \left( c_0 + \frac{c_1}{\alpha(n+\beta-1)} + \frac{c_2}{\alpha^2(n+\beta-1)(n+\beta-2)} + \ldots \right)$$



Properties:

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Extracting asymptotics

• 
$$S(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2n-1)!! z^n \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad (\mathcal{A}_{1/2}^2 S)(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

• 
$$G(z) = \frac{z + (u-1)z^{|\tau|}}{1 - (u-1)(A_{\tau}(z) - 1)} \Rightarrow (A_{1/2}^2 G)(z) = 0$$

Composition:

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ight)^{-1/2}\ & imes \exp\left(rac{(u-1)z^{| au|-2}}{2ig(1-(u-1)(\mathcal{A}_{ au}(z)-1-z^{| au|-1})ig)}
ight) \end{split}$$

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# Conclusion

#### Studied objects:

- endhered patterns in perfect matchings,
- self-overlapping permutations.
- 2 Tools:
  - the symbolic method,
  - singularity analysis,
  - Goulden-Jackson cluster method,
  - Borinsky's approach.
- 3 Results:
  - direct enumeration for endhered patterns of size 2,
  - enumeration and asymptotics for any endhered pattern,
  - enumeration and asymptotics of non-self-overlapping permutations.

#### Thank you for your attention!

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