On Symmetries of Non-Plane Trees in a Non-Uniform Model

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Considered Objects

Class of trees

- We consider non-plane unlabeled binary trees (each node has either zero or exactly two children) [Otter trees]
- Wedderburn-Etherington numbers:

$$a_n \sim 0.3188 rac{1}{n^{3/2}} \left(rac{1}{0.4027}
ight)^n$$

• W-E numbers count the number of Otter trees with n leaves

Remark: The numbers b_n of binary plane trees with n leaves satisfy

$$b_n\sim rac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}}rac{1}{n^{3/2}}4^n$$

Plane and Non-Plane Trees

Each of this plane trees corresponds with one Non-Plane tree



- T_n set of binary plane trees with n leaves
- S_n set of binary non-plane trees with n leaves
- $[s]_{\sim} = \{t \in T_n : t \sim s\}$, for $s \in S_n$

Probability

Generation of plane trees



Basic formula

For $t \in T_n$ we have

$$\Pr[T_n = t] = \prod_{v \in t^o} \frac{1}{\Delta(v) - 1}$$

where t^o is the set of interval nodes of t, $\Delta(v)$ is the number of leaves of a tree rooted at v.

Remark: generate randomly binary search tree from random permutation, make "de-labelization"; we get the same probability model.

Recurrence

If
$$t = t_1 \star t_2 \in T_n$$
, then

$$\Pr[T_n = t] = \frac{1}{n-1} \Pr[T_{\Delta(t_1)} = t_1] \Pr[T_{\Delta(t_2)} = t_2]$$

where $\Delta(s)$ is the number of leaves in s

Connection between S and T

$$\Pr[S_n = s] = card([s]_{\sim}) \cdot \Pr[T_n = t], \quad t \in [s]_{\sim}$$

Definition

sym(t) = the number of non-leaf (internal) nodes v of tree t such that the two subtrees stemming from v are isomorphic.

Basic property

$$card([s]_{\sim}) = 2^{n-1-sym(s)}$$

Basic recurrence

$$sym(s_1 \star s_2) = \begin{cases} sym(t_1) + sym(t_2) + 1 & : t_1 = t_2 \\ sym(t_1) + sym(t_2) & : t_1 \neq t_2 \end{cases}$$

Two basic generating functions

•
$$F(u, z) = \sum_{t \in T} \Pr[T = t] u^{sym(t)} z^{|t|}$$

• $B(u, z) = \sum_{t \in T} \Pr[T = t]^2 u^{sym(u)} z^{|t|-1}$

Theorem

Let
$$f(u, z) = \frac{F(u,z)}{z}$$
. Then

$$\frac{\partial f(u,z)}{\partial z} = f(u,z)^2 + (u-1)B(u^2, z^2)$$

(Riccati differential equation)

Number of symmetries

Definition

$$\mathcal{E}(z) = \sum_{n \ge 1} \mathbb{E}[sym(S_n)] z^n$$

Theorem

Let
$$B(z) = \sum_{t \in T} \Pr[T = t]^2 z^{|t|-1}$$
 $(= \sum_n b_n z^n)$. Then

$$\mathcal{E}'(z) = \frac{2\mathcal{E}(z)}{z(1-z)} + B(z^2)$$

We should know the behavior of $B(z) = \sum_{n} b_{n} z^{n}$. We can calculate $b_{1}, b_{2}, b_{3}, \ldots$:

$$1, 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{13}{144}, \frac{7}{200}, \frac{851}{64800}, \frac{13}{2700}, \frac{1199}{691200}, \frac{2071}{3359232}$$

Extraction of coefficients of function B(z)

We put

$$C(z)=zB(z)$$

Differential equation

$$C(z) - zC'(z) + z^2C''(z) = C^2(z)$$

Recurrence

$$c_n = \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} c_k c_{n-k}$$

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SOLUTION !!!

H-H Chern, M. Fernández-Camacho, H-K. Hwang, and C. Martinez, *Psi-series method for equality of random trees and quadratic convolution recurrences*, 2012:

$$b_n = \rho^n \left(6n - \frac{22}{5} + O(n^{-5}) \right)$$

where $\rho = 0.3183843834378459...$

- we defined: $\mathcal{E}(z) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E}[sym(S_n)]z^n$
- we know that: $\mathcal{E}'(z) = rac{2\mathcal{E}(z)}{z(1-z)} + B(z^2)$
- we know a lot about $B(z) = \sum_n b_n z^n$

Theorem

$$\mathbb{E}[sym(S_n)] = n \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor} \frac{b_k}{(2k-1)k(2k+1)} + (-1)^{n+1}b_{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor}$$

hence

$$E[sym(S_n)] = n \cdot (0.3725463659 \pm 10^{-10})$$

Application - compression

We know that $E[sym(S_n)] \approx 0.3725 \cdot n$

Simple compression algorithm

If you find a symmetric inner node, replace one of its sub-trees by a pointer. Let $size(S_n)$ denote the size of generated structure.

$$\mathbb{E}[size(S_n)] = n \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor} \frac{b_k}{(2k-1)(2k+1)}$$
$$\approx 0.4190 \cdot n$$



Application - entropy

We know that

•
$$H[S_n] = H[T_n] - H[T_n|S_n]$$

• $H[T_n] = \log_2(n-1) + 2n \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} \frac{\log_2(k-1)}{k(k+1)}$
• $2 \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} \frac{\log_2(k-1)}{k(k+1)} \approx 1.736 \text{ (for } n \ge 10^5)$
• $H[T_n|S_n] = \ldots = \sum_{s \in S_n} \Pr[S_n = s] \log_2(card([s]_{\sim})) = \ldots n - 1 - E[sym(T_n)]$

Theorem

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{H[S_n]}{n}=1.109...$$



Figure 1: Phylogenetic (evolutionary) Tree

Thank You