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5. Applications of Rational and Meromorphic Asymptotics

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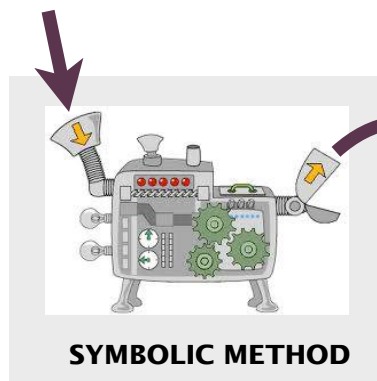
A. SYMBOLIC METHOD

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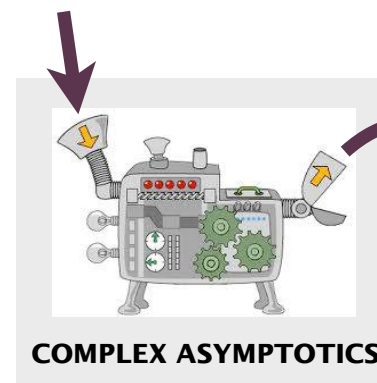
B. COMPLEX ASYMPTOTICS

4. Rational & Meromorphic
5. Applications of R&M
6. Singularity Analysis
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specification

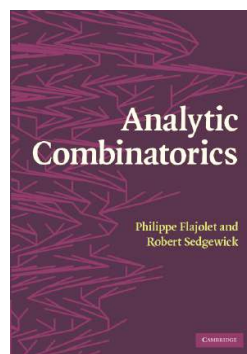


GF
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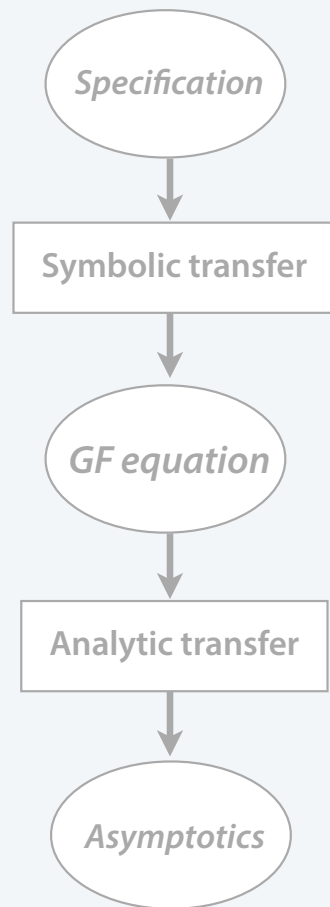


asymptotic
estimate

desired
result !



Bottom line from last lecture



Analytic transfer for meromorphic GFs: $f(z)/g(z) \sim c \beta^N$

- Compute the dominant pole α (smallest real with $g(z) = 0$).
- Compute the residue $h_{-1} = -f(\alpha)/g'(\alpha)$.
- Constant c is h_{-1} / α .
- Exponential growth factor β is $1/\alpha$

Not order 1 if $g'(\alpha) = 0$.
Adjust to (slightly) more complicated order M case.

This lecture: Numerous applications

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- **Bitstrings**
- Other familiar examples
- Compositions
- Supercritical sequence schema

Warmup: Bitstrings

How many bitstrings of length N ?

□

$$B_0 = 1$$

0
1

$$B_1 = 2$$

00
01
10
11

$$B_2 = 4$$

000
001
010
011
100
101
110
111

$$B_3 = 8$$

0000
0001
0010
0011
0100
0101
0110
0111
1000
1001
1010
1011
1100
1101
1110
1111

$$B_4 = 16$$

counting sequence

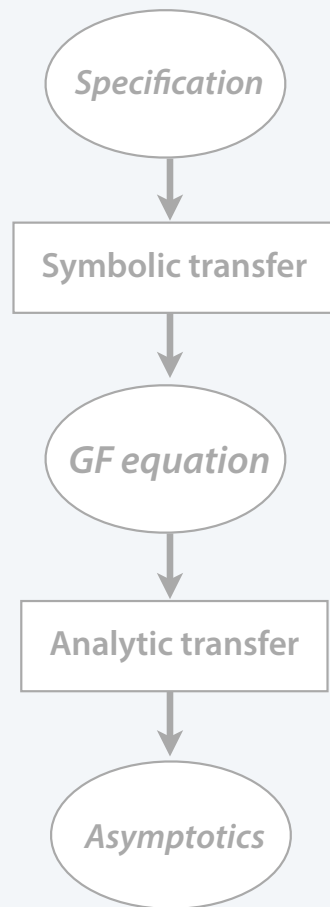
OGF

$$B_N = 2^N$$

$$\frac{1}{1-2z}$$

$$\sum_{N \geq 0} 2^N z^N = \sum_{N \geq 0} (2z)^N = \frac{1}{1-2z}$$

Warmup: Bitstrings

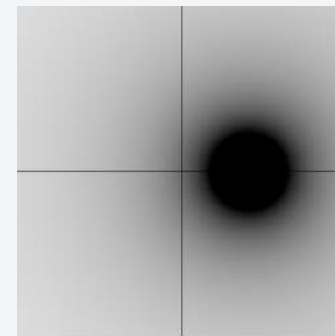


B, the class of all bitstrings

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{E} + (\mathbf{Z}_0 + \mathbf{Z}_1) \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$B(z) = \frac{1}{1 - 2z}$$

$$[z^N]B(z) = 2^N$$



Dominant singularity: *pole* at $\alpha = 1/2$

$$\text{Residue: } h_{-1} = -\frac{f(z)}{g'(z)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } z^N: \sim \frac{h_{-1}}{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^N = 2^N$$

Example 1: Bitstrings with restrictions on consecutive 0s

How many bitstrings of length N have **no two consecutive 0s** ?

1

$T_0 = 1$

0
1

$T_1 = 2$

01
10
11

$T_2 = 3$

011
010
101
110
111

$T_3 = 5$

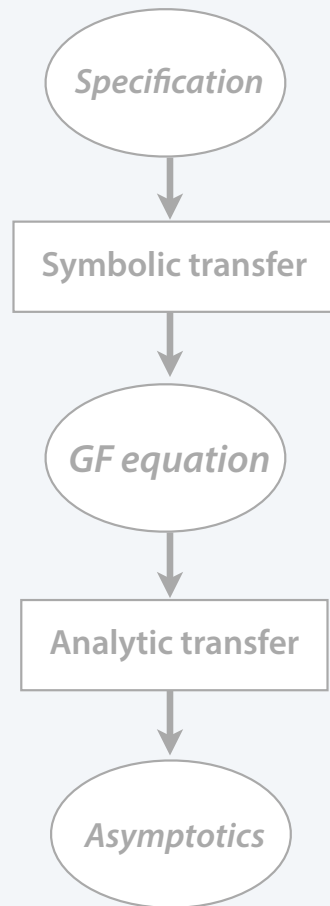
0101
0110
0111
1011
1010
1101
1110
1111

$T_4 = 8$

01011
01010
01101
01110
01111
10101
10110
10111
11011
11010
11101
11110
11111

$T_5 = 13$

Example 1: Bitstrings with restrictions on consecutive 0s



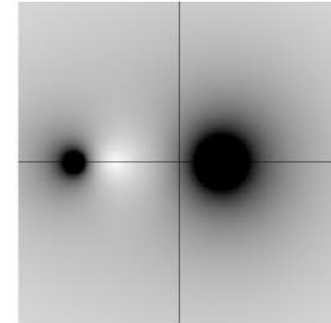
B_{00} , the class of all bitstrings having no 00

$$B_{00} = E + Z_0 + (Z_0 + Z_0 \times Z_1) \times B_{00}$$

$$B_{00}(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z-z^2}$$

$$[z^N]B_{00}(z) = \frac{\phi^2}{\sqrt{5}}\phi^N$$

$$\sim c_2 \beta_2^N \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \beta_2 \doteq 1.61803 \\ c_2 \doteq 1.17082 \end{cases}$$



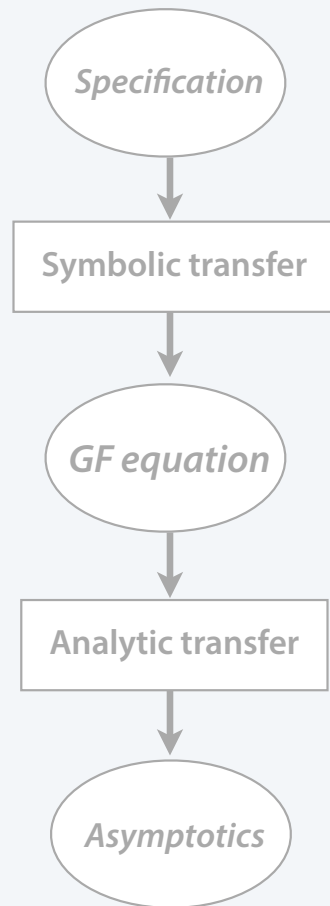
Dominant singularity: *pole* at $\hat{\phi}$

$$\text{Residue: } h_{-1} = -\frac{f(\hat{\phi})}{g'(\hat{\phi})} = \frac{1+\hat{\phi}}{1+2\hat{\phi}}$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } z^N: \sim \frac{h_{-1}}{\hat{\phi}} \left(\frac{1}{\hat{\phi}}\right)^N = \frac{1+\hat{\phi}}{\hat{\phi}+2\hat{\phi}^2} \phi^N$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi \hat{\phi} &= 1 \\ \phi^2 &= \phi + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Example 1: Bitstrings with restrictions on consecutive 0s



\mathbf{B}_4 , the class of all bitstrings having no 0^4

$$\mathbf{B}_4 = \mathbf{Z}_{<4} (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{Z}_1 \mathbf{B}_4)$$

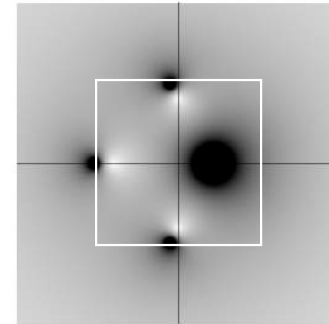


$$B_4(z) = (1 + z + z^2 + z^3)(1 + zB_4(z))$$

$$= \frac{1 + z + z^2 + z^3}{1 - z - z^2 - z^3 - z^4}$$



$$[z^N]B_4(z) \sim c_4 \beta_4^N \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \beta_4 \doteq 1.9276 \\ c_4 \doteq 1.0917 \end{cases}$$



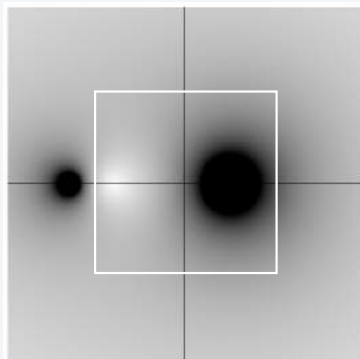
Dominant singularity: *pole* at α

$$\text{Residue: } h_{-1} = -\frac{f(z)}{g'(z)} = \frac{1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 + \alpha^3}{\alpha + 2\alpha + 3\alpha^2 + 4\alpha^3}$$

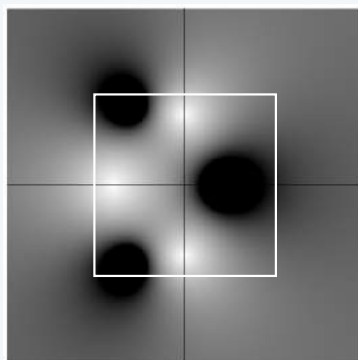
$$\text{Coefficient of } z^N: [z^N]B_4(z) \sim \frac{h_{-1}}{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^N$$

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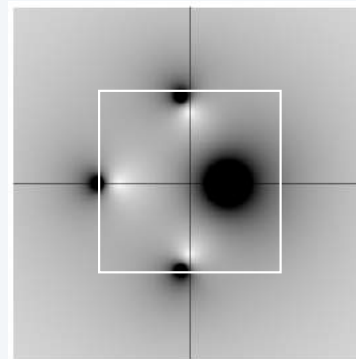
$$\frac{1+z}{1-z-z^2}$$



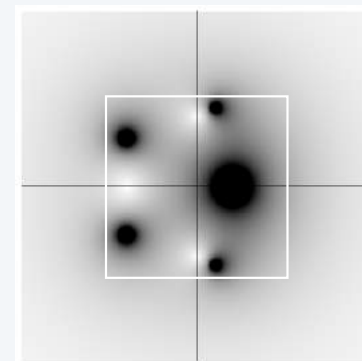
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$$\frac{1+z+z^2+z^3}{1-z-z^2-z^3-z^4}$$

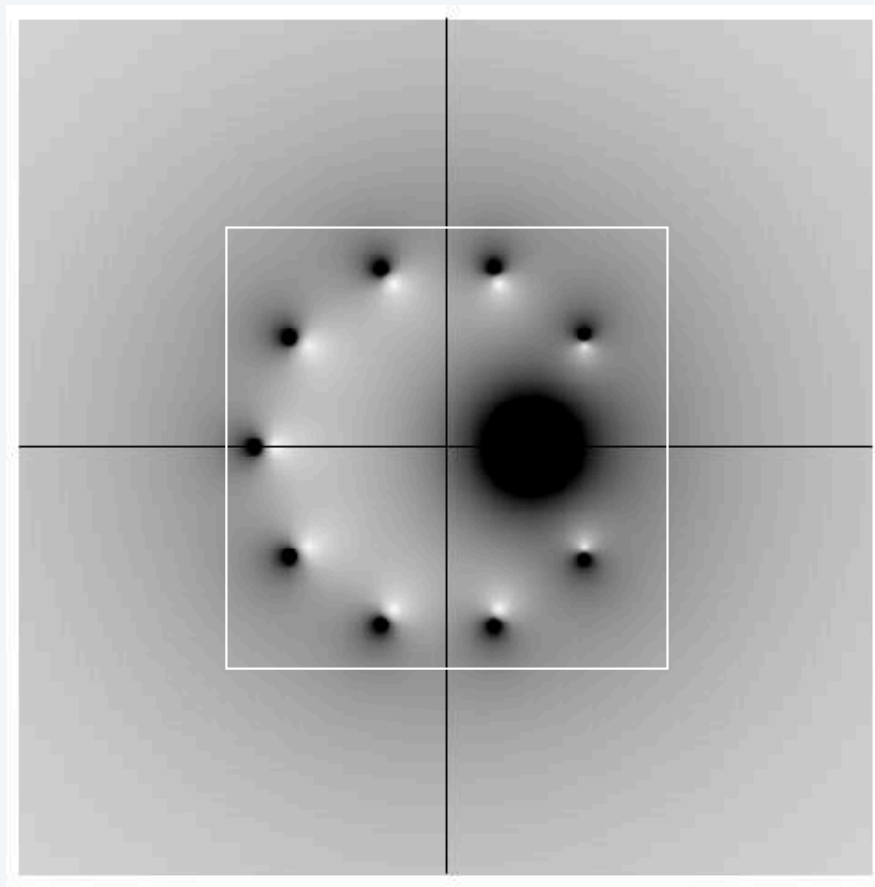


$$\frac{1+z+z^2+z^3+z^4}{1-z-z^2-z^3-z^4-z^5}$$



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$$\frac{1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + z^4 + z^5 + z^6 + z^7 + z^8 + z^9}{1 - z - z^2 - z^3 - z^4 - z^5 - z^6 - z^7 - z^8 - z^9 - z^{10}}$$



Information on consecutive 0s in GFs for strings

[from AC Part I Lecture 5]

$$\begin{aligned} B_M(z) &= \sum_{b \in B_M} z^{|b|} = \sum_{N \geq 0} \{ \# \text{ of bitstrings of length } N \text{ with no } 0^M \} z^N \\ &= \frac{1 + z + z^2 + \dots + z^{M-1}}{1 - z - z^2 - \dots - z^M} = \frac{1 - z^M}{1 - 2z + z^{M+1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$B_M(z/2) = \sum_{N \geq 0} (\{ \# \text{ of bitstrings of length } N \text{ with no runs of } M \text{ 0s} \} / 2^N) z^N$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_M(1/2) &= \sum_{N \geq 0} \{ \# \text{ of bitstrings of length } N \text{ with no runs of } M \text{ 0s} \} / 2^N \\ &= \sum_{N \geq 0} \Pr \{ \text{1st } N \text{ bits of a random bitstring have no runs of } M \text{ 0s} \} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{N \geq 0} \Pr \{ \text{position of end of first } 0^M \text{ is } > N \} = \text{Expected position of end of first } 0^M$$

Theorem. Probability that an N -bit random bitstring has no 0^M : $[z^N] B_M(z/2) \sim c_M (\beta_M/2)^N$

Theorem. Expected wait time for the first 0^M in a random bitstring: $B_M(1/2) = 2^{M+1} - 2$

Autocorrelation

[from AC Part I Lecture 5]

The probability that an N -bit random bitstring does not contain 0000 is $\sim 1.0917 \times .96328^N$

The expected wait time for the first occurrence of 0000 in a random bitstring is 30.

Q. Do the same results hold for 0001?

A. NO!

101111101001010011001110001001111101101101000001111100001

0001 occurs much
earlier than 0000

Observation. Consider first occurrence of 000.

- 0000 and 0001 equally likely, BUT
- mismatch for 0000 means 0001, so need to wait four more bits
- mismatch for 0001 means 0000, so *next* bit could give a match.

Q. What is the probability that an N -bit random bitstring does not contain 0001?

Q. What is the expected wait time for the first occurrence of 0001 in a random bitstring?

Constructions for strings without specified patterns

[from AC Part I Lecture 5]

Cast of characters:

p — a pattern

S_p — binary strings that do not contain p

T_p — binary strings that *end in p*
and have no other occurrence of p

p 101001010

S_p 10111110101101001100110000011111

T_p 10111110101101001100110101001010

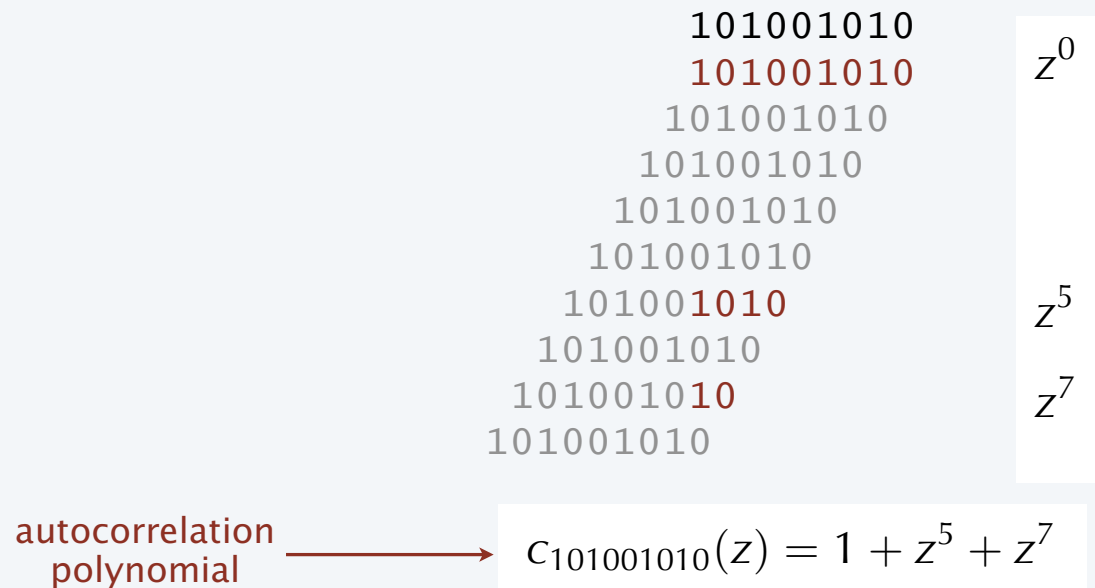
First construction

- S_p and T_p are disjoint
- the empty string is in S_p
- adding a bit to a string in S_p gives a string in S_p or T_p

$$S_p + T_p = E + S_p \times \{Z_0 + Z_1\}$$

[from AC Part I Lecture 5]

- slide the pattern to the left over itself.
- for each match of i trailing bits with the leading bits include a term $z^{|p|-i}$



- for each 1 bit in the autocorrelation of any string in T_p add a “tail”
- result is a string in S_p followed by the pattern

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      101001010
    101001010
  101001010
101001010
101001010
101001010
101001010
101001010
101001010
101001010

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Bitstrings without specified patterns

[from AC Part I Lecture 5]

How many N -bit strings **do not contain a specified pattern p** ?

<i>Classes</i>	S_p — the class of binary strings with no p
	T_p — the class of binary strings that end in p and have no other occurrence

<i>OGFs</i>	$S_p(z) = \sum_{s \in S_p} z^{ s }$
	$T_p(z) = \sum_{s \in T_p} z^{ s }$

Constructions

$$S_p + T_p = E + S_p \times \{Z_0 + Z_1\}$$

$$S_p \times \{p\} = T_p \times \sum_{c_i \neq 0} \{t_i\}$$

OGF equations

$$S_p(z) + T_p(z) = 1 + 2zS_p(z)$$

$$S_p(z)z^P = T_p(z)c_p(z)$$

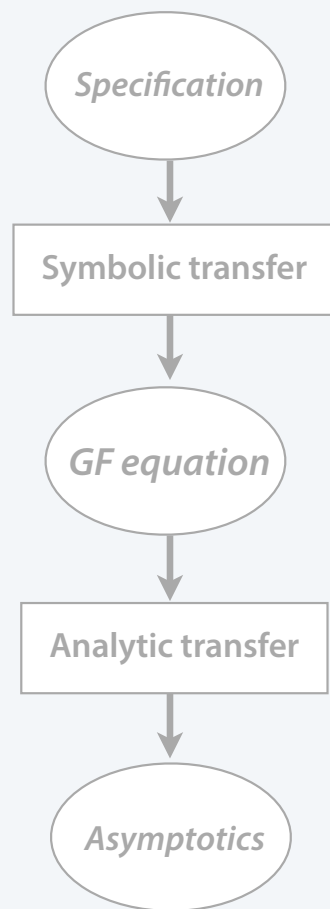
Solution

$$S_p(z) = \frac{c_p(z)}{z^P + (1 - 2z)c_p(z)}$$

Extract coefficients

$$[z^N]S_p(z) \sim c_p \beta_p^N \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{cases} \beta_p \text{ is the dominant root of } z^P + (1 - 2z)c_p(z) \\ c_p = [\text{explicit formula available}] \end{cases}$$

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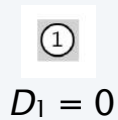
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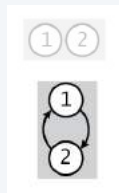
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Example 2: Derangements

How many permutations of size N have **no singleton cycles** ?



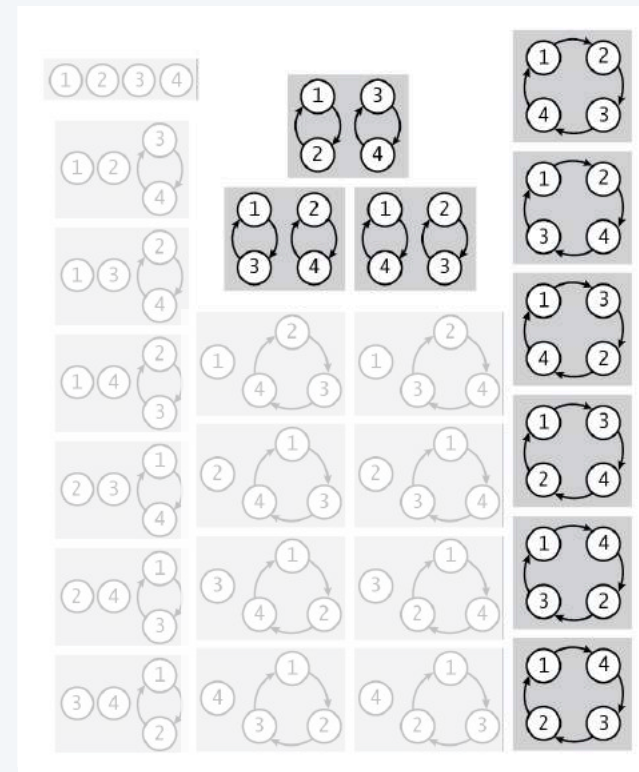
$$D_1 = 0$$



$$D_2 = 1$$

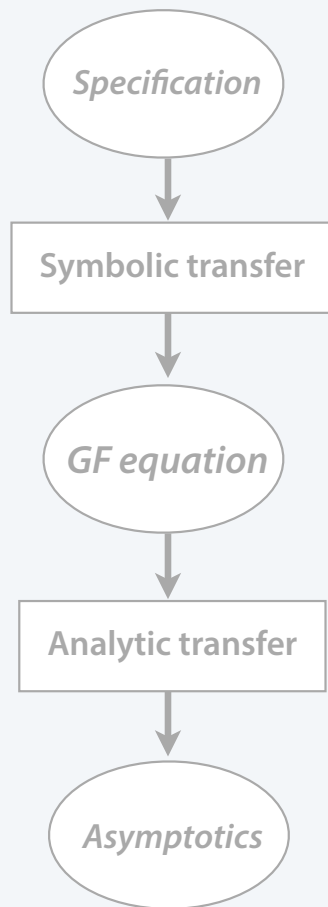


$$D_3 = 2$$



$$D_4 = 9$$

Example 2: Derangements

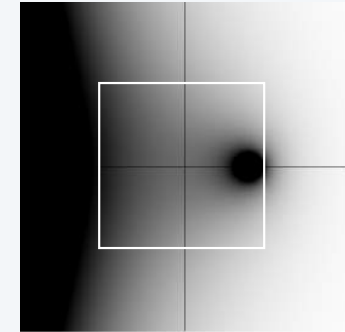


D , the class of all permutations with no singleton cycles

$$D = \text{SET}(\text{CYC}_{>1}(\mathbf{Z}))$$

$$D(z) = \frac{e^{-z}}{1-z}$$

$$N![z^N]D(z) \sim \frac{N!}{e}$$



Dominant singularity: *pole* at 1

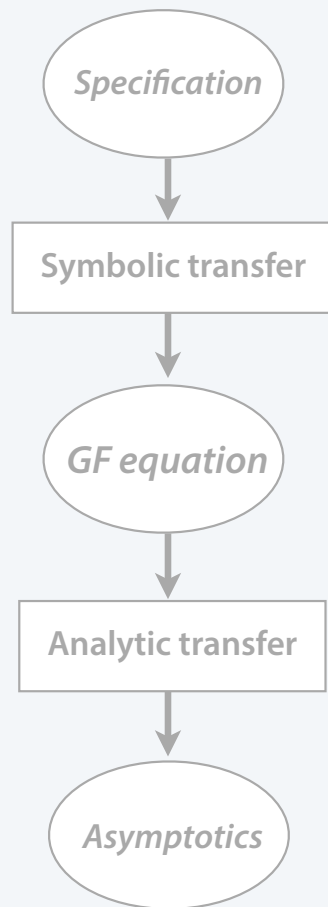
Residue: $h_{-1} = -\frac{f(1)}{g'(1)} = e^{-1}$

$$[z^N]D(z) = \frac{h_{-1}}{1} 1^N = \frac{1}{e}$$

N	$N!/e$	D_N
2	.7357...	1
3	2.2072...	2
4	8.8291...	9
5	44.1455...	44

estimates are extremely accurate
even for small N

Example 2: Derangements



\mathbf{D}_M , the class of all permutations with no cycles of length $\leq M$

$$\mathbf{D}_M = \text{SET}(\text{CYC}_{>M}(\mathbf{Z}))$$

$$D_M(z) = \frac{e^{-z - \frac{z^2}{2} - \frac{z^3}{3} - \dots - \frac{z^M}{M}}}{1 - z}$$

$$N![z^N]D(z) \sim \frac{N!}{e^{H_M}}$$

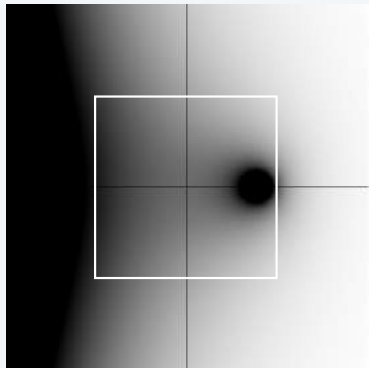
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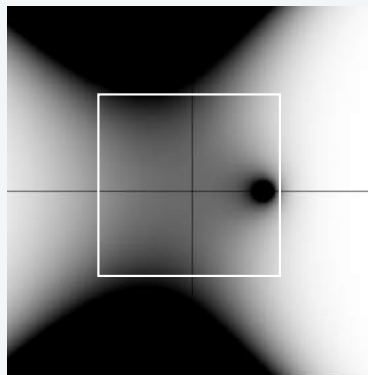
$$[z^N]D(z) = \frac{h_{-1}}{1} 1^N = \frac{1}{e^{H_M}}$$

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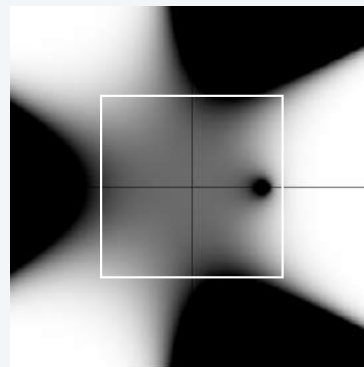
$$\frac{e^{-z}}{1-z}$$



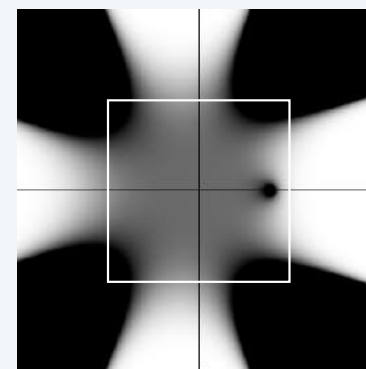
$$\frac{e^{-z-z^2/2}}{1-z}$$



$$\frac{e^{-z-z^2/2-z^3/3}}{1-z}$$

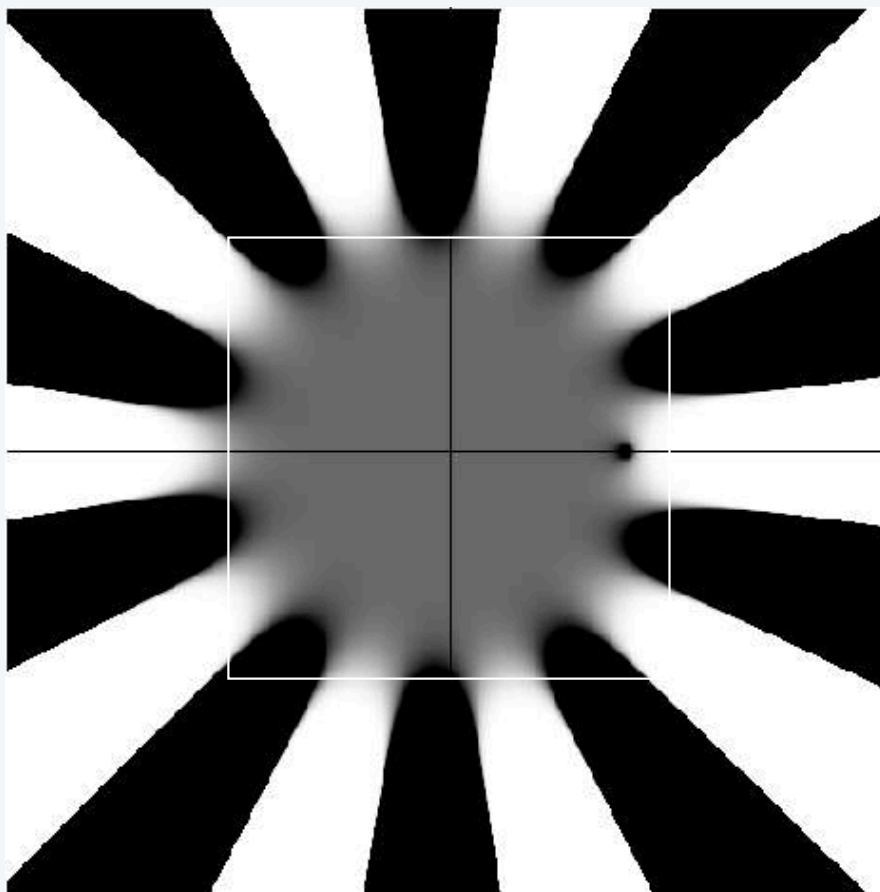


$$\frac{e^{-z-z^2/2-z^3/3-z^4/4}}{1-z}$$



Example 2: Derangements

$$\frac{e^{-z} - z^2/2 - z^3/3 - z^4/4 - z^5/5 - z^6/6 - z^7/7 - z^8/8 - z^9/9 - z^{10}/10}{1 - z}$$



Example 3: Surjections

How many words of length N are M -surjections for some M ?

1
 $R_1 = 1$

1 1
1 2
2 1
 $R_2 = 3$

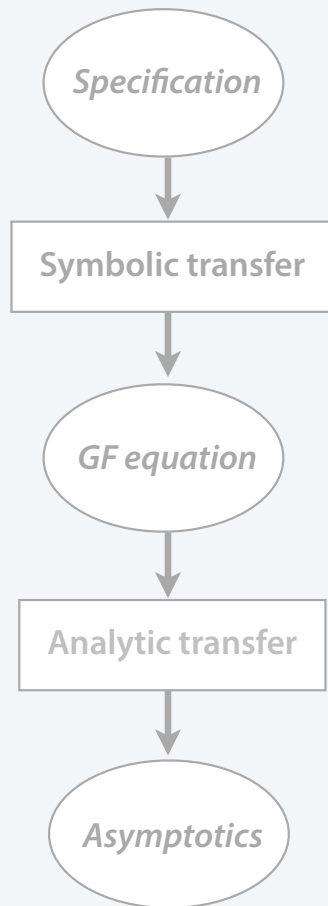
1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 3
1 2 1 1 3 2
1 2 2 2 1 3
2 1 1 2 3 1
2 1 2 3 1 2
2 2 1 3 2 1
 $R_3 = 13$

"coupon collector sequences"

For some M , each of the first M letters appears at least once.

1 1 1 1 1 2 3 1 1 2 3 3 1 2 3 4
1 1 1 2 1 3 2 1 1 3 2 3 1 3 2 4
1 1 2 1 2 1 3 1 2 1 3 3 2 1 3 4
1 2 1 1 2 3 1 1 2 3 1 3 2 3 1 4
2 1 1 1 3 1 2 1 3 1 2 3 3 1 2 4
1 1 2 2 3 2 1 1 3 2 1 3 3 2 1 4
1 2 1 2 1 2 1 3 1 3 3 2 1 2 4 3
2 1 1 2 1 3 1 2 2 3 3 1 1 3 4 2
2 1 2 1 2 1 1 3 3 1 3 2 2 1 4 3
2 2 1 1 3 1 1 2 3 2 3 1 2 3 4 1
1 2 2 1 1 1 2 3 3 3 1 2 3 1 4 2
1 2 2 2 1 1 3 2 3 3 2 1 3 2 4 1
2 1 2 2 1 2 3 2 1 4 2 3
2 2 1 2 1 3 2 2 1 4 3 2
2 2 2 1 2 1 3 2 2 4 1 3
 2 3 1 2 2 4 3 1
 3 1 2 2 3 4 1 2
 3 2 1 2 3 4 2 1
 1 2 2 3 4 1 2 3
 2 1 2 3 4 1 3 2
 2 3 2 1 4 2 1 3
 3 2 2 1 4 2 3 1
 2 2 1 3 4 3 1 2
 2 2 3 1 4 3 2 1
 $R_4 = 75$

Example 3: Surjections



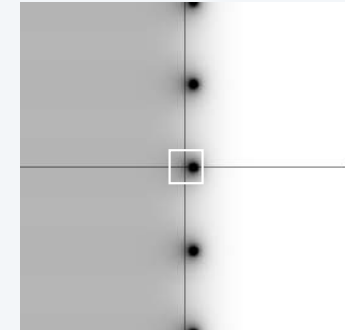
R , the class of all surjections

$$R = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{>0}(\mathbf{Z}))$$

$$R(z) = \frac{1}{1 - (e^z - 1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 - e^z}$$

$$[z^N]R(z) = \frac{1}{2(\ln 2)^{N+1}}$$



Dominant singularity: *pole* at $z = \ln 2$

Residue: $h_{-1} = -\frac{1}{g'(\ln 2)} = \frac{1}{2}$

N	$N!/2(\ln 2)^{N+1}$	R_N
2	3.0027...	3
3	12.9962...	13
4	74.9987...	75

estimates are extremely accurate
even for small N

Example 3: Surjections

How many words of length N are *double surjections* for some M ?

1 1

$$R_2 = 1$$

1 1 1

$$R_3 = 1$$

1 1 1 1

1	1	2	2
1	2	1	2
2	1	1	2
2	1	2	1
2	2	1	1
1	2	2	1

$$R_4 = 7$$

1 1 1 1 1

1	1	1	2	2
1	1	2	1	2
1	1	2	2	1
1	2	1	1	2
1	2	1	2	1
1	2	2	1	1
2	1	1	1	2
2	1	1	2	1
2	1	2	1	1
2	2	1	1	1

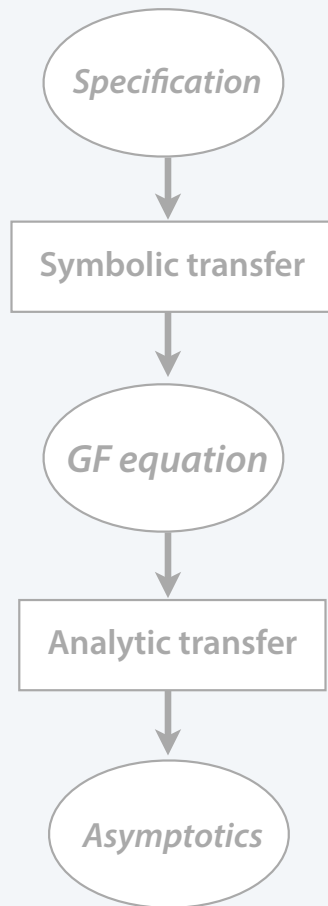
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1	2	2	1	2
2	1	2	2	1
2	2	1	1	2
1	2	2	2	1
2	2	2	1	1
2	1	2	1	2
1	2	1	2	2
2	1	1	2	2
2	2	1	2	1

$$R_5 = 21$$

"*double* coupon collector sequences"

For some M , each of the first M letters appears at least *twice*.

Example 3: Surjections



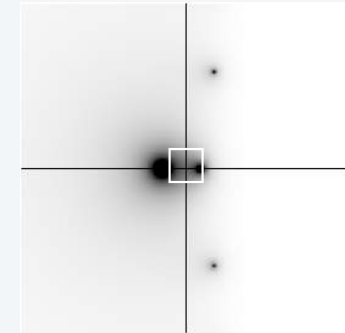
\mathbf{R} , the class of all double surjections

$$\mathbf{R} = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{>1}(\mathbf{Z}))$$

$$R(z) = \frac{1}{1 - (e^z - z - 1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 + z - e^z}$$

$$R_N \sim \frac{1}{\rho + 1} \frac{N!}{\rho^{N+1}}$$



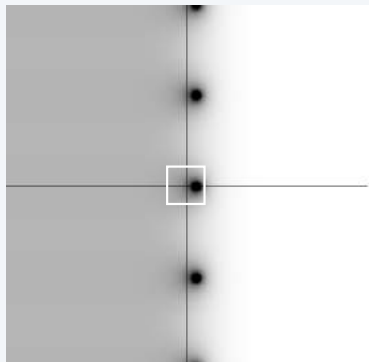
Singularities where $e^z = z + 2$

Dominant singularity: *pole* at $\rho \doteq 1.14619$

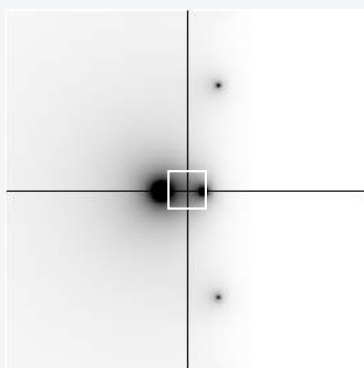
$$\text{Residue: } h_{-1} = -\frac{1}{g'(\rho)} = \frac{1}{e^\rho - 1} = \frac{1}{\rho + 1}$$

Example 3: Surjections

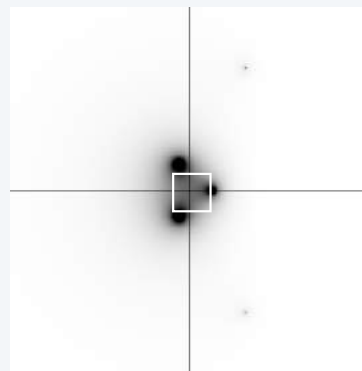
$$\frac{1}{2 - e^z}$$



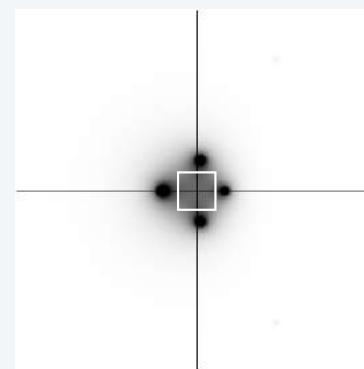
$$\frac{1}{2 + z - e^z}$$



$$\frac{1}{2 + z + z^2/2 - e^z}$$

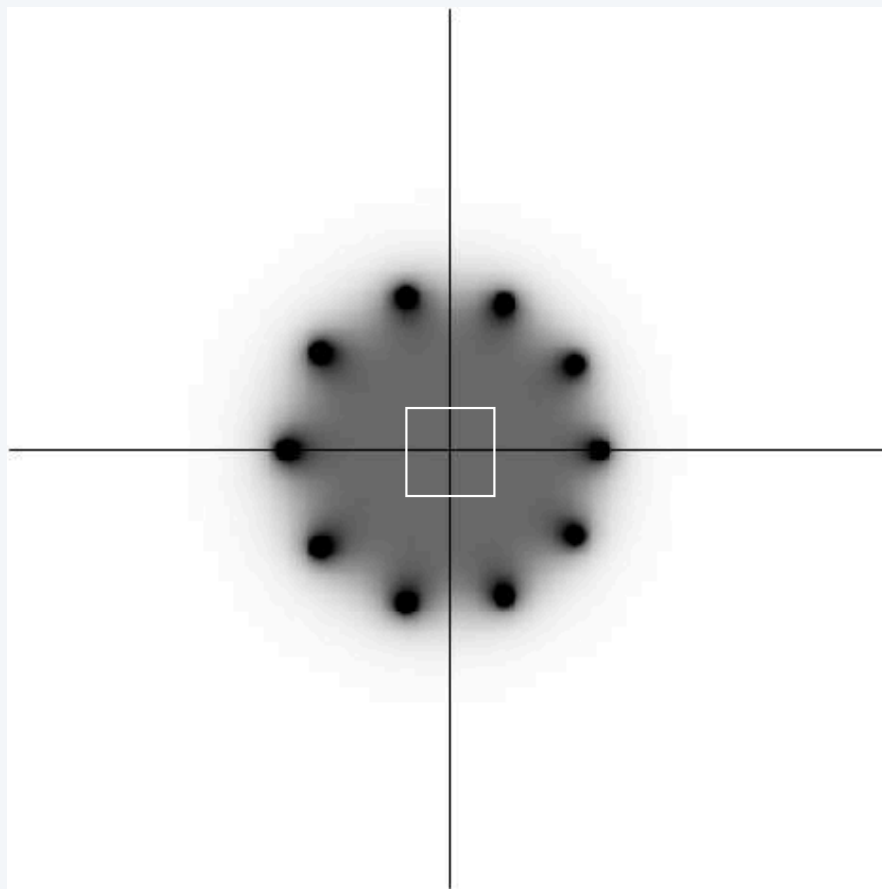


$$\frac{1}{2 + z + z^2/2 + z^3/6 - e^z}$$



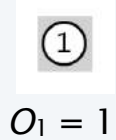
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$$\frac{1}{2 + z + \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \frac{z^4}{4!} + \frac{z^5}{5!} + \frac{z^6}{6!} + \frac{z^7}{7!} + \frac{z^8}{8!} + \frac{z^9}{9!} - e^z}$$

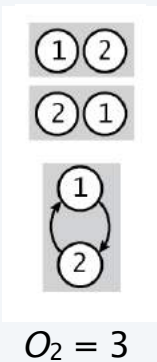


Example 4: Alignments

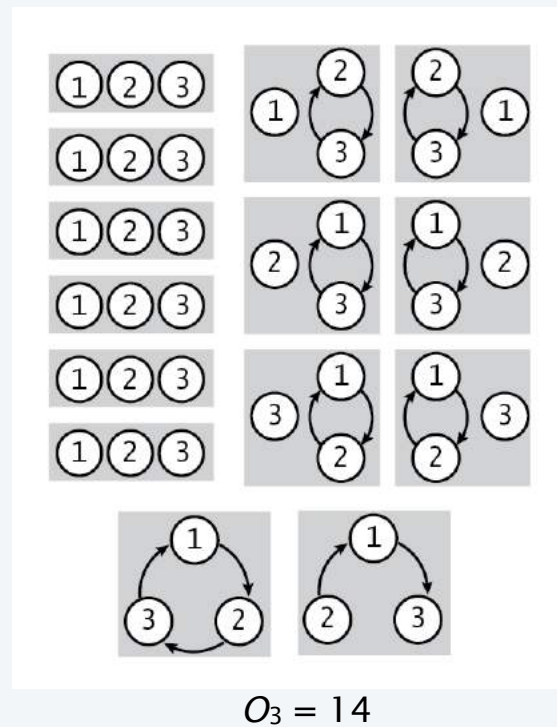
How many *sequences of labelled cycles* of size N ?



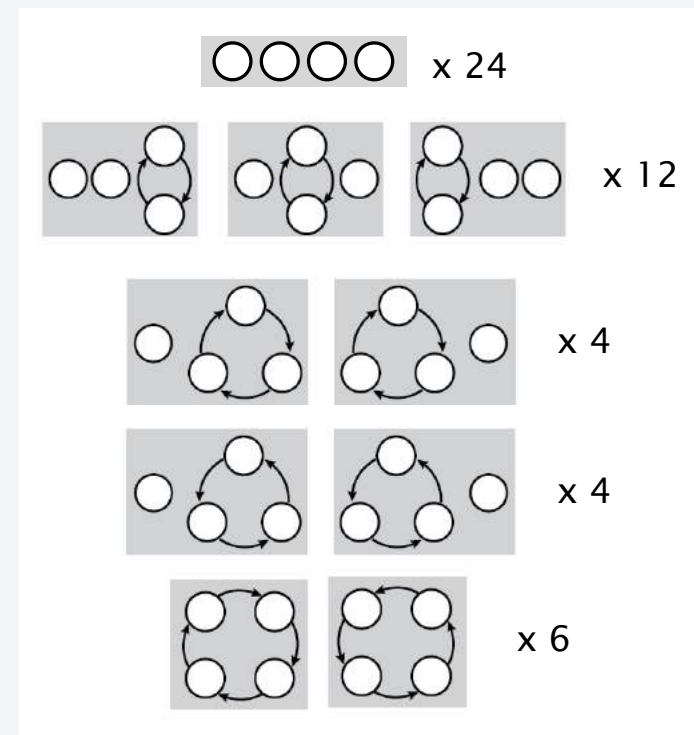
$$O_1 = 1$$



$$O_2 = 3$$

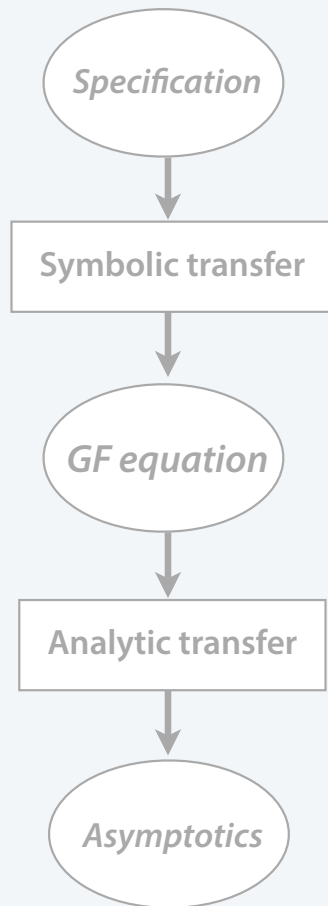


$$O_3 = 14$$



$$O_4 = 88$$

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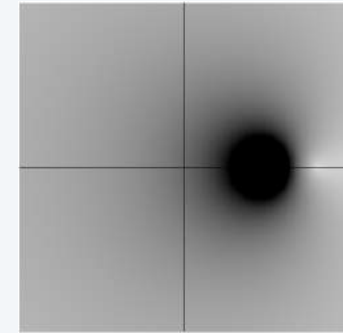


\mathcal{O} , the class of all alignments

$$\mathcal{O} = \text{SEQ}(\text{CYC}(\mathbf{Z}))$$

$$O(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \ln \frac{1}{1-z}}$$

$$O_N \sim \frac{N!}{e(1 - 1/e)^{N+1}}$$



Singularities where $\ln \frac{1}{1-z} = 1$

Dominant singularity: *pole* at $z = 1 - \frac{1}{e}$

Residue: $h_{-1} = -\frac{1}{g'(1 - 1/e)} = \frac{1}{e}$

estimates are extremely accurate
even for small N

N	$N!/e(1-1/e)^{N+1}$	O_N
2	2.9129...	3
3	13.8247...	14
4	87.4816...	88

Example 4: Set partitions

Q. How many ways to *partition an N-element set into r subsets* ? ← see Lecture 3

$$S_{N2} = 2^N - 1$$

only B B B... B
disallowed

A B C

$$S_{33} = 1$$

A B C C
A B C B
A B B C
A B C A
A A B C
A B A C

$$S_{43} = 6$$

A B C A A
A B C A B
A B C A C
A B C B A
A B C B B
A B C B C
A B C C A
A B C C B
A B C C C

A B A C A
A B A C B
A B A C C
A B B C A
A B B C B
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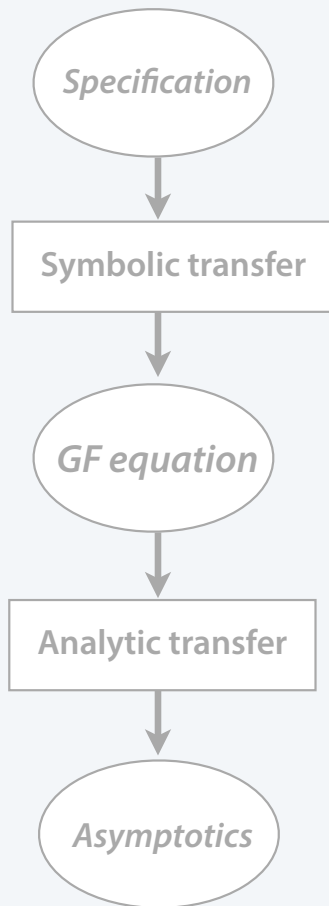
$$S_{53} = 25$$

Application: rhyming schemes

There was a small boy of Quebec **A**
Who was buried in snow to his neck **A**
When they said, "Are you friz?" **B**
He replied, "Yes, I is — **B**
But we don't call this cold in Quebec! **A**

TWO roads diverged in a yellow wood, **A**
And sorry I could not travel both **B**
And be one traveler, long I stood **A**
And looked down one as far as I could **A**
To where it bent in the undergrowth; **B**

Example 4: Set partitions

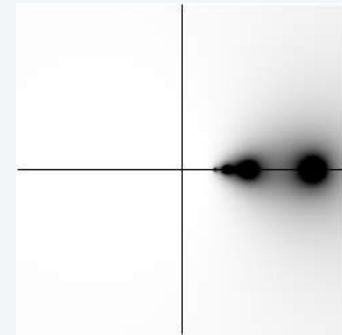


\mathbf{S}_r , the class of all poems with r rhymes

$$\mathbf{S}_r = Z_A \times \text{SEQ}(Z_A) \times Z_B \times \text{SEQ}(Z_A + Z_B) \times \\ Z_C \times \text{SEQ}(Z_A + Z_B + Z_C) \times \dots$$

$$S_r(z) = \frac{z^r}{(1-z)(1-2z)\dots(1-rz)}$$

$$[z^N]S_r(z) \sim \frac{r^N}{r!}$$



Singularities at $1, 1/2, 1/3, \dots, 1/r$

Dominant singularity: *pole* at $1/r$

Residue: $h_{-1} = -\frac{f(1/r)}{g'(1/r)} = \frac{1}{r \cdot r!}$

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Example 5: Compositions

Q. How many ways to express N as a sum of positive integers?

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ l_1 = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 \\ 2 \\ l_2 = 2 \end{array}$$

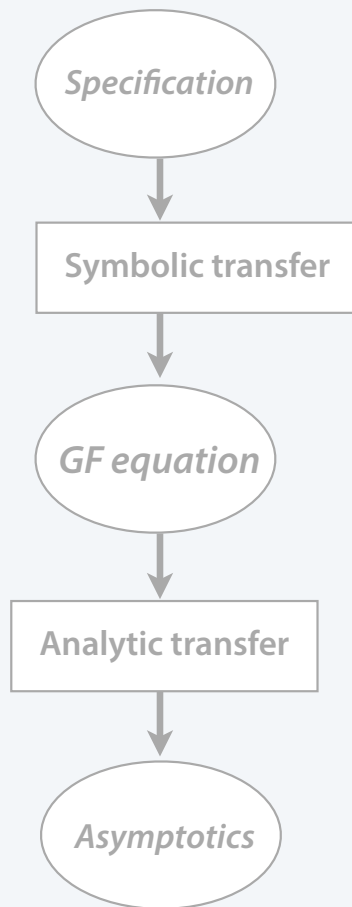
$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 2 \\ 2 + 1 \\ 3 \\ l_3 = 4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 1 + 2 \\ 1 + 2 + 1 \\ 1 + 3 \\ 2 + 1 + 1 \\ 2 + 2 \\ 3 + 1 \\ 4 \\ l_4 = 8 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 1 + 1 + 2 \\ 1 + 1 + 2 + 1 \\ 1 + 1 + 3 \\ 1 + 2 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 2 + 2 \\ 1 + 3 + 1 \\ 1 + 4 \\ 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 2 + 1 + 2 \\ 2 + 2 + 1 \\ 2 + 3 \\ 3 + 1 + 1 \\ 3 + 2 \\ 4 + 1 \\ 5 \\ l_5 = 16 \end{array}$$

A. $l_N = 2^{N-1}$

Example 5: Compositions



I , the class of all positive integers

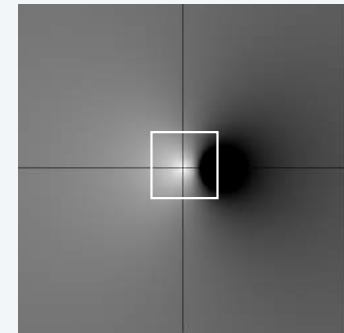
$$I = \text{SEQ}_{>0}(\mathbf{Z})$$



$$I(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$$



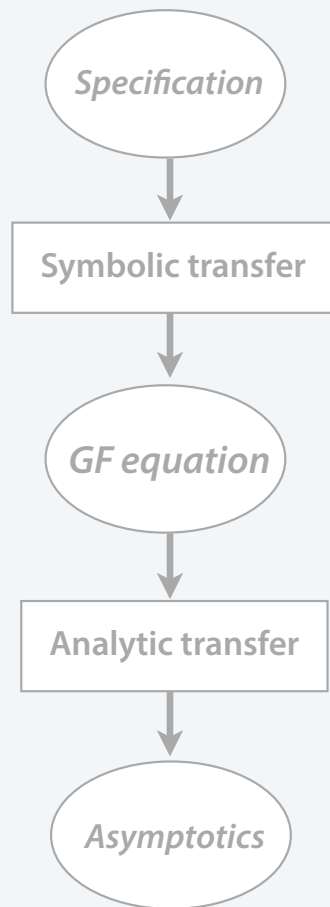
$$I_N = 1 \text{ for } N > 0$$



Singularity: *pole* at 1

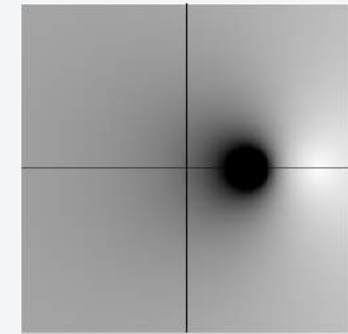
$$\text{Residue: } h_{-1} = -\frac{f(1)}{g'(1)} = 1$$

Example 5: Compositions



\mathcal{C} , the class of all compositions

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{C} &= \text{SEQ}(\mathcal{I}) \\ \downarrow \\ C(z) &= \frac{1}{1 - I(z)} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z}{1-z}} = \frac{1-z}{1-2z} \\ \downarrow \\ C_N &= 2^{N-1} \text{ for } N > 0\end{aligned}$$



Singularity: *pole* at $1/2$

$$\text{Residue: } h_{-1} = -\frac{f(1/2)}{g'(1/2)} = 1/4$$

Example 5: Compositions

Q. How many ways to express N as a sum of 1s and 2s ?

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ F_1 = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 \\ 2 \\ F_2 = 2 \end{array}$$

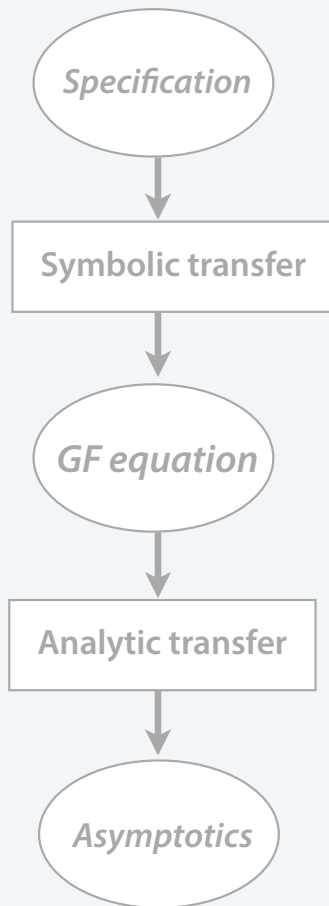
$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 2 \\ 2 + 1 \\ F_3 = 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 1 + 2 \\ 1 + 2 + 1 \\ 2 + 1 + 1 \\ 2 + 2 \\ F_4 = 5 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 1 + 1 + 2 \\ 1 + 1 + 2 + 1 \\ 1 + 2 + 1 + 1 \\ 1 + 2 + 2 \\ 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ 2 + 1 + 2 \\ 2 + 2 + 1 \\ F_5 = 8 \end{array}$$

A. *Fibonacci numbers*

Example 5: Compositions



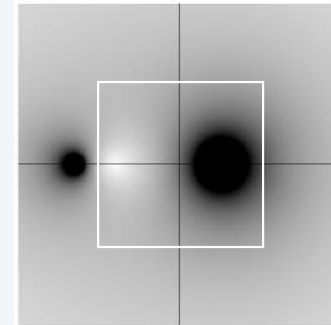
F, the class of all compositions composed of 1s and 2s

$$\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}^2)$$

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z - z^2}$$

$$F_N \sim \frac{\phi^N}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \doteq .4472 \text{ and } \phi \doteq 1.618$$



$$\hat{\phi} = \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{2}$$

$$\phi = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}$$

Dominant singularity: *pole* at $\hat{\phi}$

$$\text{Residue: } h_{-1} = -\frac{f(\hat{\phi})}{g'(\hat{\phi})} = \frac{1}{1 + 2\hat{\phi}}$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } z^N: \sim \frac{h_{-1}}{\hat{\phi}} \left(\frac{1}{\hat{\phi}}\right)^{N+1} = \frac{1}{1 + 2\hat{\phi}} \phi^N$$

$$\phi \hat{\phi} = 1$$

$$\phi^2 = \phi + 1$$

$$1 + 2\hat{\phi} = \sqrt{5}$$

Example 5: Compositions

Q. How many ways to express N as a sum of **primes** ?

2

$$p_2 = 1$$

3

$$p_3 = 1$$

2 + 2

$$p_4 = 1$$

2 + 3
3 + 2
5

$$p_5 = 3$$

2 + 2 + 2
3 + 3

$$p_6 = 2$$

2 + 2 + 3
2 + 3 + 2
3 + 2 + 2
5 + 2
2 + 5
7

$$p_7 = 6$$

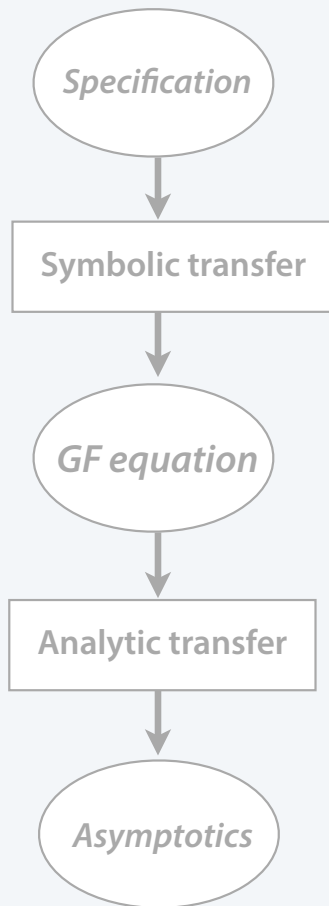
2 + 2 + 2 + 2
2 + 3 + 3
3 + 3 + 2
3 + 2 + 3
5 + 3
3 + 5

$$p_8 = 6$$

2 + 2 + 2 + 3
2 + 2 + 3 + 2
2 + 3 + 2 + 2
3 + 2 + 2 + 2
2 + 2 + 5
2 + 5 + 2
5 + 2 + 2
3 + 3 + 3
2 + 7
7 + 2

$$p_9 = 10$$

Example 5: Compositions



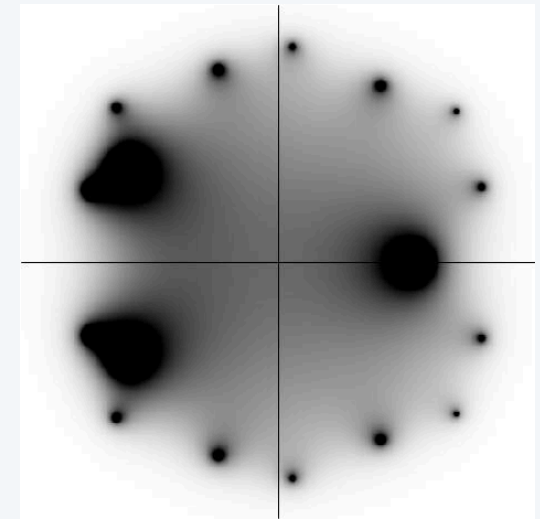
P, the class of all compositions
composed of primes

$$\mathbf{P} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{Z}^2 + \mathbf{Z}^3 + \mathbf{Z}^5 + \mathbf{Z}^7 + \dots)$$

$$P(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^2 - z^3 - z^5 - z^7 - z^{11} - \dots}$$

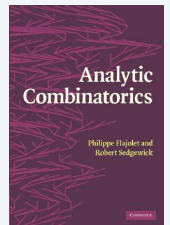
$$[z^N]P(z) \sim \lambda\beta^N \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \beta \doteq 1.4762 \\ \lambda \doteq .3037 \end{cases}$$

Note: periodic oscillations are present in the next term



Dominant singularity: *pole* at $1/\beta \doteq .6774$

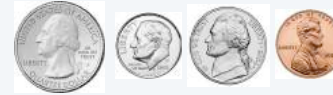
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Example 6: Denumerants (partitions from a fixed set)

Q. How many ways to make change for N cents?



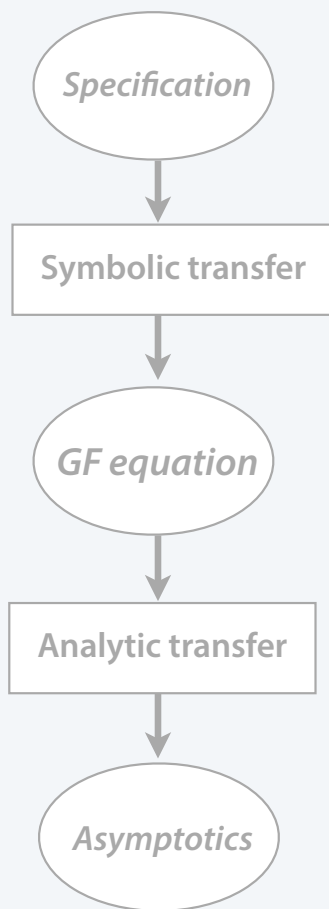
$$\begin{array}{c}
 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 5 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 5 + 5 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 10 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1
 \end{array}$$

$$Q_{14} = 4$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 5 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 5 + 5 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 5 + 5 + 5 \\
 10 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 10 + 5
 \end{array}$$

$$Q_{15} = 6$$

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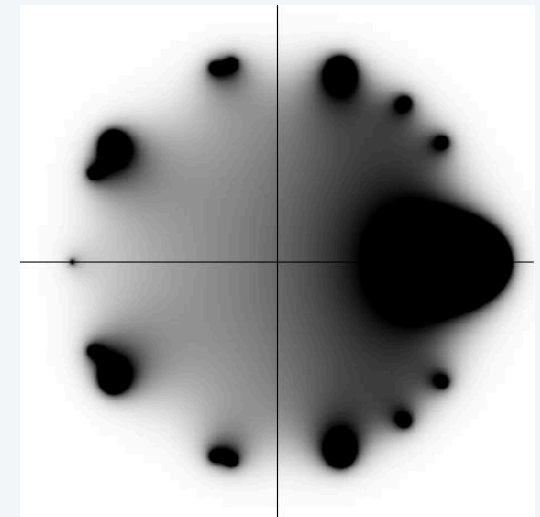


\mathbf{Q} , the class of all partitions
composed of 1s, 5s, 10s, 25s

$$\mathbf{Q} = \text{MSET}(\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}^5 + \mathbf{Z}^{10} + \mathbf{Z}^{25})$$

$$Q(z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)(1-z^5)(1-z^{10})(1-z^{25})}$$

$$[z^N]Q(z) \sim \frac{N^3}{1 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 25 \cdot 3!} = \frac{N^3}{7500}$$



Dominant singularity: *pole of order 5 at 1*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Residue: } h_{-4} &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (1-z)^4 Q(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{1 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 25} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{1-z}{1-z^t} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{1+z+z^2+\dots+z^{t-1}} = \frac{1}{t}$$

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- Restricted compositions
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Sequence schema

Terminology. A *schema* is a treatment that unifies the analysis of a family of classes.

Definition. A class that admits a construction of the form $\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{G})$, where \mathbf{G} is any class (labelled or unlabelled) is said to be a *sequence class*, which falls within the *sequence schema*.

Enumeration:

$$\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{G}) \longrightarrow F(z) = \frac{1}{1 - G(z)} \qquad \begin{aligned} f_N &= [z^N]F(z) \\ g_N &= [z^N]G(z) \end{aligned}$$

unlabelled case: number of structures is f_N

labelled case: number of structures is $N! f_N$

Parameters:

mark number of \mathbf{G} components with u

$$\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(u \mathbf{G}) \longrightarrow F(z, u) = \frac{1}{1 - uG(z)}$$

mark number of \mathbf{G}_k components with u

$$\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(u \mathbf{G}_k + \mathbf{G} \setminus \mathbf{G}_k) \longrightarrow F^k(z, u) = \frac{1}{1 - (G(z) + (u - 1)g_k z^k)}$$

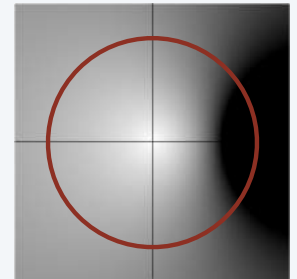
Supercritical sequence classes

Supercriticality: A technical condition that enables us to unify the analysis of sequence classes.

Definition. *Supercritical sequence classes.*

A sequence class $\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{G})$ is said to be *supercritical* if $G(\rho) > 1$ where $G(z)$ is the generating function associated with \mathbf{G} and $\rho > 0$ is the radius of convergence of $G(z)$.

Example: GF for integers: $I(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$
radius of convergence: $\rho = 1 - \epsilon$ for any $\epsilon > 0$
supercriticality test: $I(1 - \epsilon) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} - 1 > 1$ for $\epsilon < 1/2$
Therefore, the class of compositions $\mathbf{C} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{I})$ is supercritical.



Note: For simplicity, we ignore periodicities in GFs in this lecture:

Definition. *Strong aperiodicity.* A GF $G(z)$ is said to be *strongly aperiodic* when there does not exist an integer $d > 1$ such that $G(z) = h(z^d)$ for some $h(z)$ analytic at 0.

Transfer theorem for supercritical sequence classes

Theorem. *Asymptotics of supercritical sequences.* If $\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{G})$ is a strongly aperiodic supercritical sequence class, then $[z^N]F(z) \sim \frac{1}{G'(\lambda)} \frac{1}{\lambda^{N+1}}$ where λ is the root of $G(\lambda) = 1$ in $(0, \rho)$.

radius of
convergence of $G(z)$

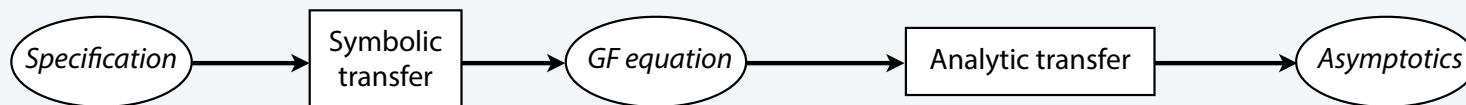
Proof sketch:

- $G(z)$ increases from $G(0) = 0$ to $G(\rho) > 1$, so λ is well defined.
- At λ , $G(z)$ admits the series expansion $G(z) = 1 + G'(\lambda)(z - \lambda) + G''(\lambda)(z - \lambda)^2/2! + \dots$
- Therefore, $F(z) = 1/(1 - G(z))$ has a simple pole at λ , and $F(z) \sim -\frac{1}{G'(\lambda)(z - \lambda)} = \frac{1}{\lambda G'(\lambda)} \frac{1}{1 - z/\lambda}$

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	construction	$F(z)$	$G(z)$	λ	coefficient asymptotics
surjections	$\mathbf{R} = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{>0}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{1}{2 - e^z}$	$e^z - 1$	$\ln 2$	$\frac{N!}{2(\ln 2)^{N+1}}$
alignments	$\mathbf{O} = \text{SEQ}(\text{CYC}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{1}{1 - \ln \frac{1}{1-z}}$	$\ln \frac{1}{1-z}$	$1 - \frac{1}{e}$	$\frac{N!}{e(1 - 1/e)^{N+1}}$
compositions	$\mathbf{C} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{I})$	$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{z}{1-z}}$	$\frac{z}{1-z}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	2^{N-1}



Parts in compositions

Q. How many parts in a *random composition* of size N ?

1

1

1 + 1

2

1.5

1 + 1 + 1

1 + 2

2 + 1

3

2

1 + 1 + 1 + 1

1 + 1 + 2

1 + 2 + 1

1 + 3

2 + 1 + 1

2 + 2

3 + 1

4

2.5

1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1

1 + 1 + 1 + 2

1 + 1 + 2 + 1

1 + 1 + 3

1 + 2 + 1 + 1

1 + 2 + 2

1 + 3 + 1

1 + 4

2 + 1 + 1 + 1

2 + 1 + 2

2 + 2 + 1

2 + 3

3 + 1 + 1

3 + 2

4 + 1

5

3

Components in surjections

What is the expected value of M in a *random surjection* of size N ?

1
1

1 1
1 2
2 1
 $(1 + 2 \cdot 2)/3 \doteq 1.666$

1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 3
1 2 1 1 3 2
1 2 2 2 1 3
2 1 1 2 3 1
2 1 2 3 1 2
2 2 1 3 2 1
 $(1 + 2 \cdot 6 + 3 \cdot 6)/13 \doteq 2.384$

"coupon collector sequences"

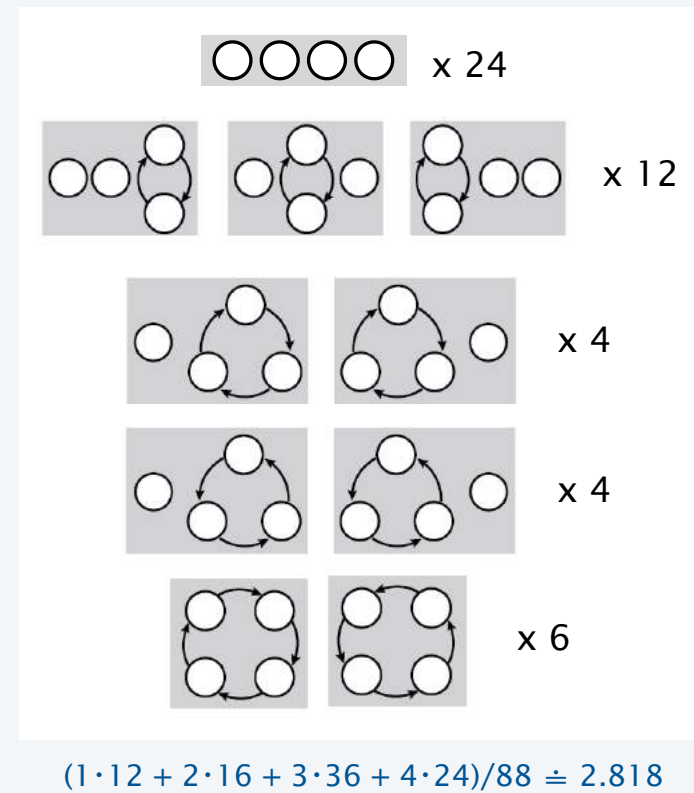
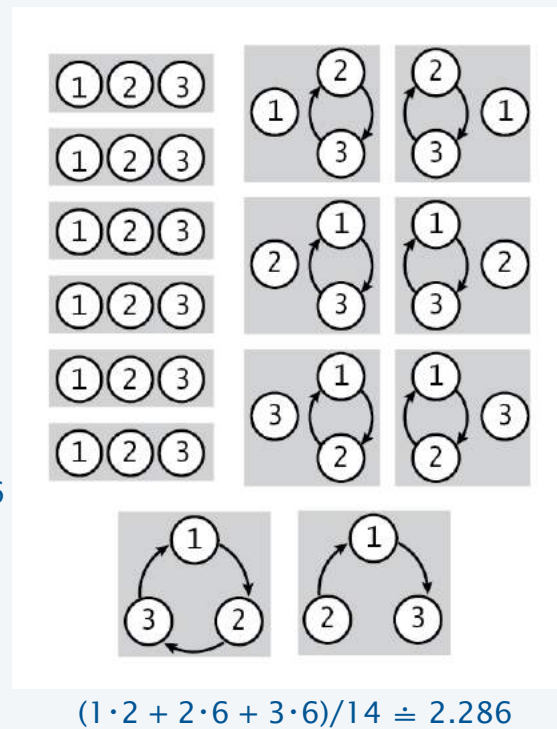
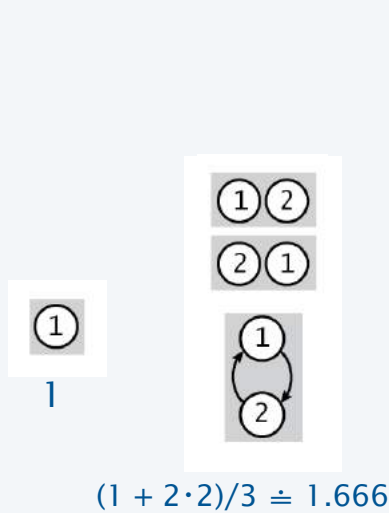
For some M , each of the first M letters appears at least once.

1 1 1 1	1 2 3 1	1 2 3 3	1 2 3 4
1 1 1 2	1 3 2 1	1 3 2 3	1 3 2 4
1 1 2 1	2 1 3 1	2 1 3 3	2 1 3 4
1 2 1 1	2 3 1 1	2 3 1 3	2 3 1 4
2 1 1 1	3 1 2 1	3 1 2 3	3 1 2 4
1 1 2 2	3 2 1 1	3 2 1 3	3 2 1 4
1 2 1 2	1 2 1 3	1 3 3 2	1 2 4 3
2 1 1 2	1 3 1 2	2 3 3 1	1 3 4 2
2 1 2 1	2 1 1 3	3 1 3 2	2 1 4 3
2 2 1 1	3 1 1 2	3 2 3 1	2 3 4 1
1 2 2 1	1 1 2 3	3 3 1 2	3 1 4 2
1 2 2 2	1 1 3 2	3 3 2 1	3 2 4 1
2 1 2 2		1 2 3 2	1 4 2 3
2 2 1 2		1 3 2 2	1 4 3 2
2 2 2 1		2 1 3 2	2 4 1 3
		2 3 1 2	2 4 3 1
		3 1 2 2	3 4 1 2
		3 2 1 2	3 4 2 1
		1 2 2 3	4 1 2 3
		2 1 2 3	4 1 3 2
		2 3 2 1	4 2 1 3
		3 2 2 1	4 2 3 1
		2 2 1 3	4 3 1 2
		2 2 3 1	4 3 2 1

$$(1 + 2 \cdot 14 + 3 \cdot 36 + 4 \cdot 24)/75 \doteq 3.106$$

Components in alignments

How many cycles in a *random alignment* of size N ?



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Parts in compositions

Q. How many parts in a *random composition* of size N ?

$1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$

1

1

$1 + 1$
2

1.5

Components in surjections

What is the expected value of M in a *random surjection* of size N ?

1

1

$1 \ 1$
 $1 \ 2$
 $2 \ 1$

$(1 + 2 \cdot 2)/3 \approx 1.666$

1 1 1

1 1 2

1 2 3

1 2 1

1 3

1 2 2

2 1

2 1 1

2 3

2 1 2

3 1

2 2 1

3 2

$(1 + 2 \cdot 6 + 3 \cdot 6)/13 \approx 2.231$

"coupon collector sequences"

For some M , each of the first M letters appears at least once

Components in alignments

How many cycles in a *random alignment* of size N ?

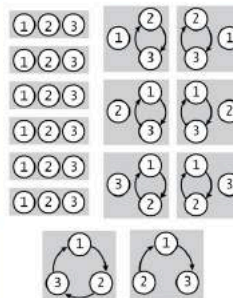
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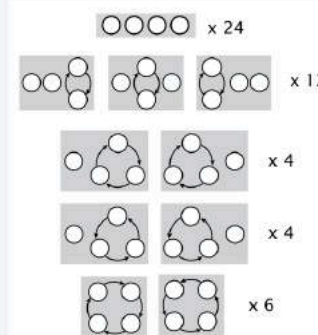
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$1 \ 2$
 $2 \ 1$

$1 \ 2$
 $2 \ 1$



$(1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 6 + 3 \cdot 6)/14 \approx 2.286$



$(1 \cdot 12 + 2 \cdot 16 + 3 \cdot 36 + 4 \cdot 24)/88 \approx 2.818$

Such questions can be answered *immediately* via *general transfer theorems*

Number of components in supercritical sequence classes

Corollary. *Number of components in supercritical sequence classes.* If $\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{G})$ is a strongly aperiodic supercritical sequence class, then the expected number of G -components in a random F -component of size N is $\mu_N \sim \frac{N+1}{\lambda G'(\lambda)} + \frac{G''(\lambda)}{G'(\lambda)^2} - 1$ with variance $\sigma_N^2 \sim \frac{\lambda G''(\lambda) + G'(\lambda) - G'(\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2 G'(\lambda)^3} N$. λ is the root of $G(\lambda) = 1$ in $(0, \rho)$

Proof idea:

$$\mu_N = \frac{1}{f_N} [z^N] \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \frac{1}{1 - uG(z)} \Big|_{u=1} = \frac{1}{f_N} [z^N] \frac{G(z)}{(1 - G(z))^2}$$

[further details omitted]

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	construction	$F(z)$	$G(z)$	λ	expected number of components
compositions	$\mathbf{C} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{I})$	$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{z}{1-z}}$	$\frac{z}{1-z}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\sim \frac{N}{2}$
surjections	$\mathbf{R} = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{>0}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{1}{2 - e^z}$	$e^z - 1$	$\ln 2$	$\sim \frac{N}{2 \ln 2}$
alignments	$\mathbf{O} = \text{SEQ}(\text{CYC}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{1}{1 - \ln \frac{1}{1-z}}$	$\ln \frac{1}{1-z}$	$1 - \frac{1}{e}$	$\sim \frac{N}{e-1}$

Same idea extends to give profile of component sizes.

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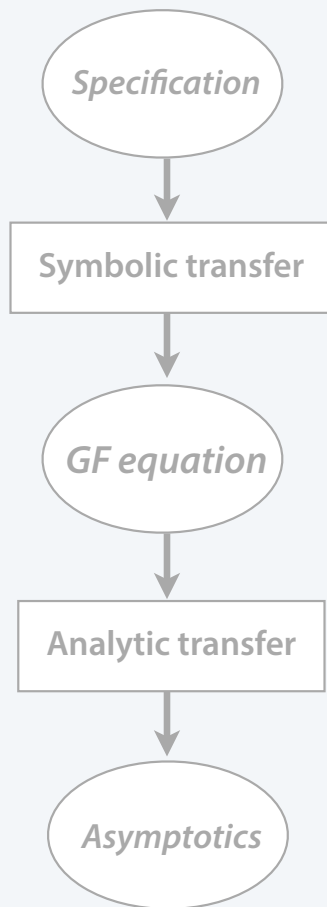
AC via meromorphic asymptotics: summary of classic applications

<i>class</i>	<i>specification</i>	<i>generating function</i>	<i>coefficient asymptotics</i>
bitstrings	$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{E} + (\mathbf{Z}_0 + \mathbf{Z}_1) \times \mathbf{B}$	$\frac{1}{1 - 2z}$	2^N
derangements	$\mathbf{D} = \text{SET}(\text{CYC}_{>0}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{e^{-z}}{1 - z}$	$\sim \frac{N!}{e}$
surjections	$\mathbf{R} = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{>0}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{1}{2 - e^z}$	$\sim \frac{1}{2(\ln 2)^{N+1}}$
alignments	$\mathbf{O} = \text{SEQ}(\text{CYC}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{1}{1 - \ln \frac{1}{1 - z}}$	$\sim \frac{N!}{e(1 - 1/e)^{N+1}}$
set partitions	$\mathbf{S}_r = \mathbf{Z} \times \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{Z}) \times \mathbf{Z} \times \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}) \times \dots$	$\frac{z^r}{(1 - z) \dots (1 - rz)}$	$\sim \frac{r^N}{r!}$
integers	$\mathbf{I} = \text{SEQ}_{>0}(\mathbf{Z})$	$\frac{z}{1 - z}$	1
compositions	$\mathbf{C} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{I})$	$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{z}{1 - z}}$	2^{N-1}

AC via meromorphic asymptotics: summary of classic applications (variants)

<i>class</i>	<i>specification</i>	<i>generating function</i>	<i>coefficient asymptotics</i>
bitstrings with no 0000	$\mathbf{B}_4 = \mathbf{Z}_{<4} (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{Z}_1 \mathbf{B}_4)$	$\frac{1 + z + z^2 + z^3}{1 - z - z^2 - z^3 - z^4}$	$1.092(1.928)^N$
generalized derangements	$\mathbf{D} = \text{SET}(\text{CYC}_{>M}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{e^{-z - \frac{z^2}{2} - \frac{z^3}{3} - \dots - \frac{z^M}{M}}}{1 - z}$	$\frac{N!}{e^{H_M}}$
double surjections	$\mathbf{R} = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{>1}(\mathbf{Z}))$	$\frac{1}{2 + z - e^z}$	$.4065 \frac{N!}{(1.146)^N}$
compositions of 1s and 2s	$\mathbf{F} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}^2)$	$\frac{1}{1 - z - z^2}$	$.4472(1.618)^N$
compositions of primes	$\mathbf{P} = \text{SEQ}(\mathbf{Z}^2 + \mathbf{Z}^3 + \mathbf{Z}^5 + \dots)$	$\frac{1}{1 - z^2 - z^3 - z^5 - z^7 - \dots}$	$.3037(1.476)^N$
denumerants	$\mathbf{Q} = \text{MSET}(\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}^5 + \mathbf{Z}^{10} + \mathbf{Z}^{25})$	$\frac{1}{(1 - z)(1 - z^5)(1 - z^{10})(1 - z^{25})}$	$\frac{N^3}{7500}$

"If you can specify it, you can analyze it"



1. The transfer theorem for meromorphic GFs enables immediate analysis of a variety of classes.

2. Variations are handled just as easily.

3. The *supercritical sequence schema* unifies the analysis for an entire family of classes, including analysis of parameters.

Note: Several other schemas have been developed (see text).

class	specification	generating function	coefficient asymptotics
bitstrings	$B = E + (Z_0 + Z_1) \times B$	$\frac{1}{1-2z}$	2^N
derangements	$D = \text{SET}(\text{CYC}_{\geq 0}(Z))$	$\frac{e^{-z}}{1-z}$	$\frac{N!}{e}$
surjections	$R = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{>0}(Z))$	$\frac{1}{2-e^z}$	$\frac{1}{2(\ln 2)^{N+1}}$
alignments	$O = \text{SEQ}(\text{CYC}(Z))$	$\frac{1}{1-\ln \frac{1}{1-z}}$	$\frac{N!}{e(1-1/e)^{N+1}}$

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generalized derangements	$D = \text{SET}(\text{CYC}_{>0}(Z))$	$\frac{e^{-z} - \frac{z}{1} + \frac{z^2}{2} - \dots + \frac{z^N}{N!}}{1-z}$	$\frac{N!}{e^{1/N}}$
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denumerants	$Q = \text{MSET}(Z + Z^3 + Z^{10} + Z^{25})$	$\frac{1}{(1-z)(1-z^5)(1-z^{10})(1-z^{25})}$	$\frac{N^3}{7500}$

Next: GFs that are not meromorphic (singularities are *not* poles).

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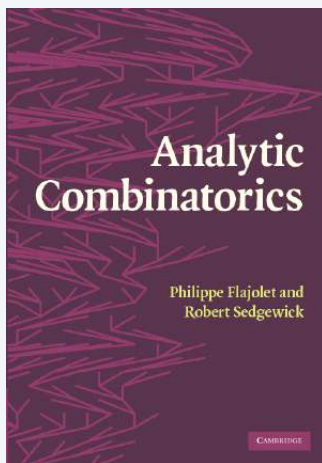
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Web Exercise V.1

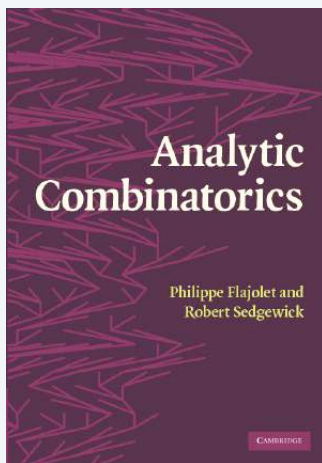
Patterns in strings.



Web Exercise V.1. Give an asymptotic expression for the number of strings that do not contain the pattern 0000000001. Do the same for 0101010101.

Web Exercise V.2

Variants of supercritical sequence classes.



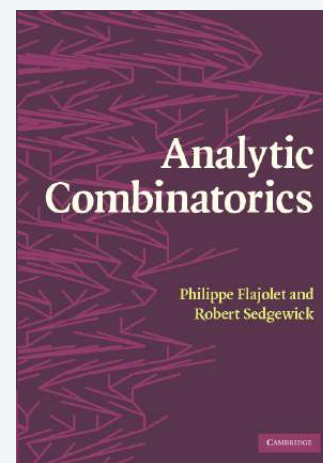
Web Exercise V.2. Give asymptotic expressions for the number of objects of size N and the number of parts in a random object of size N for the following classes: compositions of 1s, 2s, and 3s, triple surjections, and alignments with no singleton cycles.

Assignments

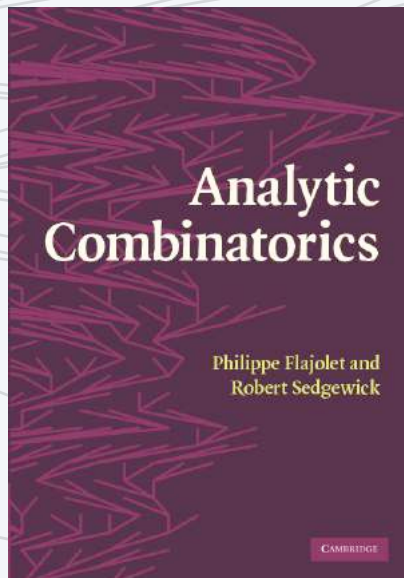
1. Read pages 289-300 (*Applications of R&M Asymptotics*) in text. Skim pages 301-375.
Usual caveat: Try to get a feeling for what's there, not understand every detail.



2. Write up solutions to Web exercises V.1 and V.2.
3. Programming exercise.



Program V.1. In the style of the plots in the lectures slides, plot the GFs for the set of bitstrings having no occurrence of the pattern 000000000. Do the same for 0101010101. (See Web Exercise V.1).



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