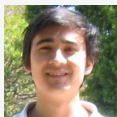


Phase transitions of composition schemes and their universal limit laws

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Part 1:
Compositions and
generalized Mittag-Leffler distributions

Ubiquity of compositions schemes in combinatorics

Combinatorial structure = assemblage of basic building blocks

- random walks
- Pólya urns
- Galton–Watson processes
- trees
- permutations
- random mappings
- set partitions
- integer partitions
- tilings
- graphs
- maps
- ...

A composition scheme for generating functions

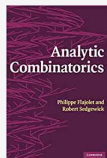
$$\sum_{n \geq 0} f_n z^n = F(z) = G(H(z))M(z)$$

Let ρ_G and ρ_H be the radii of convergence of $G(z)$ and $H(z)$, resp. Then, the composition scheme is *critical* if $H(\rho_H) = \rho_G$ and $\rho_M \geq \rho_H$.

Examples:

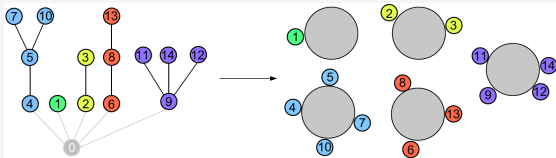
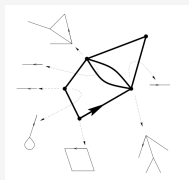
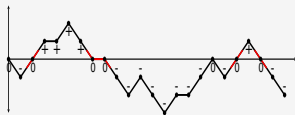
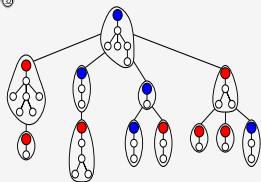
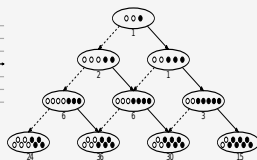
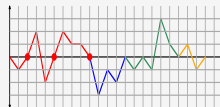
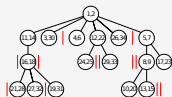
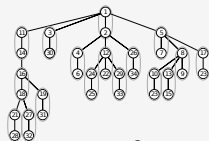
- **Bicolored** supertrees: $F(z) = C(2zC(z))$
- Factorization of walks: $W(z) = \frac{1}{1-H(z)}M(z)$

NB: If not critical: [Bender 1973, Gourdon 1998, Hwang 1999, ...]



Combinatorial structures

$$G(H(z)) \times M(z)$$



For sure, sum of almost iid \rightsquigarrow asymptotics distributions are

Gaussian.

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Note that $H(z)$ has typically the following singular expansion

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Limit law of X_n related to certain distributions:


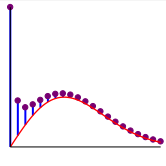
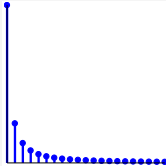
- $\lambda_H < 0$: scheme *not* critical as $H(z)$ diverges at $z = \rho_H$
(called supercritical, typically Gaussian)
- $0 < \lambda_H < 1$: generalized Mittag-Leffler distribution (this talk!)
($\lambda_H = 1/2$, $M(z) = 1$: Rayleigh distribution)
- $1 < \lambda_H < 2$: related to stable laws of parameter λ_H
($\lambda_H = 3/2$, $M(z) = 1$: map-Airy distribution
[Banderier, Flajolet, Schaeffer, Soria 2001])
- $\lambda_H > 2$: Gaussian

Main results: composition scheme

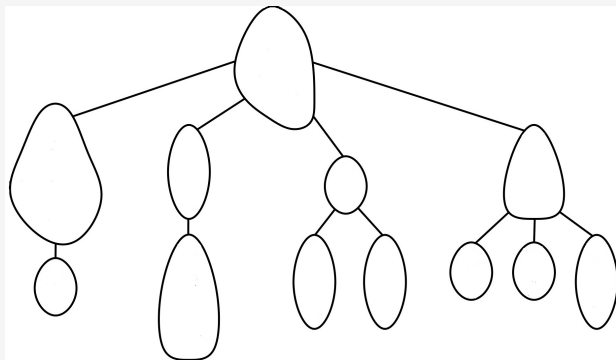
Our model: $F(z, u) = G(uH(z)) \cdot M(z),$

for $F/G/H/M$ analytic at the origin, with nonnegative coefficients, and singular exponents $\lambda_F/\lambda_G/\lambda_H/\lambda_M$, such that $0 < \lambda_H < 1$.

Main result 1: Limit laws of X_n are generalized Mittag-Leffler product distr.

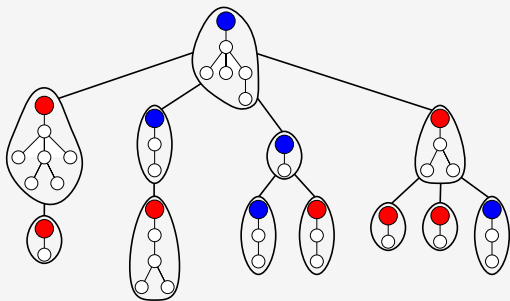
Singular exponent	$\lambda_M > \lambda_G \lambda_H$ (pure scheme)	$\lambda_M = \lambda_G \lambda_H$ (confluent scheme)	$\lambda_M < \lambda_G \lambda_H$ (degenerate scheme)
Limit law	continuous (gen. ML)	linear combination (ML + \mathcal{B})	discrete (Boltzmann \mathcal{B})
Example			
	$X_n \sim Cn^{\lambda_H} \text{ML}$	$X_n \sim \text{LinComb}(n^{\lambda_H} \text{ML}, \mathcal{B})$	$\mathbb{P}\{X_n = k\} \sim \frac{g_k \rho_G^k}{G(\rho_G)}$

Example: Bicolored supertrees



plane trees: $C(z) = z \frac{1}{1-C(z)} = \frac{1-\sqrt{1-4z}}{2z}$

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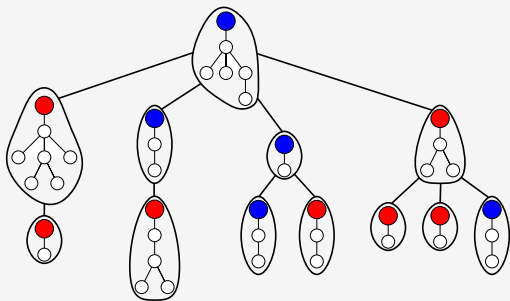
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[Banderier, Drmota 2015]: $n^{-1-\lambda_F}$, with $\lambda_F = 1/2^k$ or $\lambda_F = -m/2^k$ ($m, k \geq 1$).

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Theorem (The number of patatoids)

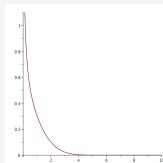
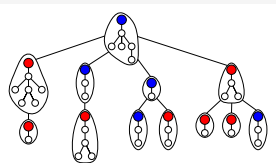
The core size X_n in supertrees of size n has factorial moments

$$\mathbb{E}(X_n^s) \sim n^{s/2} \cdot \mu_s, \quad \mu_s = \frac{\Gamma(s - \frac{1}{2})\Gamma(-\frac{1}{4})}{\Gamma(-\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{4})}.$$

The scaled random variable $X_n/n^{1/2}$ converges in distribution with convergence of all moments to a **2-parameter Mittag-Leffler distribution**:

$$\frac{X_n}{n^{1/2}} \xrightarrow[m]{d} X, \quad \text{with} \quad X \stackrel{d}{=} \text{ML} \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4} \right).$$

Moreover, we have the local limit theorem $\mathbb{P}\{X_n = x \cdot n^{1/2}\} \sim n^{-1/2} f_X(x)$, with $f_X(x)$ denoting the density of the random variable X .



2-parameter Mittag-Leffler distribution

- A positive random var. S_α follows a **stable law of parameter** $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ if

$$\mathbb{E}(e^{-tS_\alpha}) = e^{-t^\alpha} \quad \text{or, equivalently,} \quad f_{S_\alpha}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n! \Gamma(-n\alpha)} x^{-n\alpha-1}.$$

- A random variable M_α follows a **Mittag-Leffler distribution** $\text{ML}(\alpha)$ if

$$M_\alpha \stackrel{d}{=} (S_\alpha)^{-\alpha}.$$

\Rightarrow Its MGF $\mathbb{E}(e^{xM_\alpha})$ is the Mittag-Leffler function $E_\alpha(x) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{x^k}{\Gamma(1+\alpha k)}$.

Definition ([Pitman 2006, James 2015, Goldschmidt, Haas 2015])

Let $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and $\beta > -\alpha$. Then, the **2-parameter Mittag-Leffler distribution** $\text{ML}(\alpha, \beta)$ is uniquely defined by its moments

$$\mathbb{E}(X^s) = \frac{\Gamma\left(s + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 1\right) \Gamma(\beta + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha s + \beta + 1) \Gamma\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 1\right)} = \frac{\Gamma\left(s + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) \Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha s + \beta) \Gamma\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)}.$$

- $\text{ML}(\alpha, 0) = M_\alpha$
- $\text{ML}(1/2, 0)$: *half-normal distribution* $|\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)|$ of parameter $\sigma = \sqrt{2}$
- $\text{ML}(1/2, 1/2)$: *Rayleigh distribution* of parameter $\sqrt{2}$

3-parameter Mittag-Leffler distribution

The distributions of *critical composition schemes* will be the **3-parameter Mittag-Leffler distributions** $ML(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ defined as

$$Z \stackrel{d}{=} Y \cdot B^\alpha$$

where $Y \stackrel{d}{=} ML(\alpha, \beta)$ and $B \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Beta}(\beta, \gamma)$ are independent, such that $0 < \alpha < 1$, $\beta > 0$, and $\gamma \geq 0$.

Lemma

The 3-parameter Mittag-Leffler distribution $ML(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ has the following moments

$$\mathbb{E}(Z^s) = \frac{\Gamma\left(s + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) \Gamma(\beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha s + \beta + \gamma) \Gamma\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)}.$$

One has the following identity

$$Z \stackrel{d}{=} ML(\alpha, \beta) \text{Beta}(\beta, \gamma)^\alpha \stackrel{d}{=} ML(\alpha, \beta + \gamma) \text{Beta}\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}, \frac{\gamma}{\alpha}\right).$$

- distribution with moments of Gamma type [Janson 2010]
- explicit representation of its density by integrals or hypergeometric functions

A moment problem



Torsten Carleman
(1892-1949)



Maurice Fréchet
(1878-1973)

Theorem

Our X_n converges to the 3-parameter Mittag-Leffler distribution, which is characterized by its moments

$$\mathbb{E}(\text{ML}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)^r) = \frac{\Gamma\left(r + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) \Gamma(\beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha r + \beta + \gamma) \Gamma\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)}.$$

Proof. Set $m_r := \mathbb{E}[X^r]$ and $m_r(n) := \mathbb{E}[X_n^r]$.

[Fréchet, Shohat 1930]: if $m_r(n) \rightarrow m_r$ then $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$

... if the moments determine X uniquely!

[Carleman 1923]: There is a unique distribution with such moments if :

- for support $[0, \infty)$ (Stieljes moment problem): $\sum 1/m_r^{1/2r} = \infty$
- for support $(-\infty, \infty)$ (Hamburger moment problem): $\sum 1/m_{2r}^{1/2r} = \infty$
- for support $[0, 1]$ (Hausdorff moment problem): m_r completely monotonic. \square

A tool to identify densities: tilts and shifts

Lemma (Tilted lemma)

Let X be a random variable with moment sequence $(\mu_s)_{s \geq 0}$
and density $f(x)$ of support $[0, +\infty)$.

For any $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$, we have a random variable X_c satisfying:

$$\mathbb{E}(X_c^s) = \frac{\mu_{s+c}}{\mu_c} \quad (\text{shifted moments})$$

$$\iff f_c(x) = \frac{x^c}{\mu_c} \cdot f(x) \quad (\text{tilted density})$$

$$\iff \mathbb{E}(e^{tX_c}) = \frac{1}{\mu_c} \partial_t^c \mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) \quad (\text{MGF differentiation})$$

(with fractional calculus definition of ∂_t^c for $c \notin \mathbb{N}$).

We write $X_c = \text{tilt}_c X$.

Example:

$$\text{tilt}_{\beta/\alpha}(\text{ML}(\alpha)) \stackrel{d}{=} \text{ML}(\alpha, \beta), \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \text{tilt}_{\beta/\alpha}(S_\alpha^{-\alpha}) = (\text{tilt}_{-\beta}(S_\alpha))^{-\alpha}.$$

Three different regimes

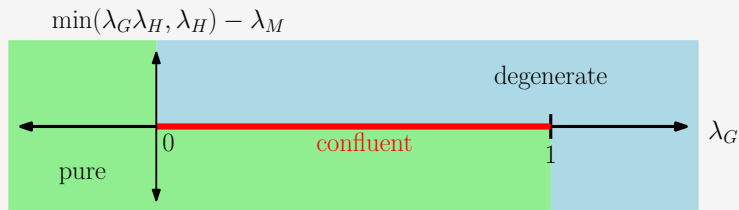
Recall: $\lambda_F/\lambda_G/\lambda_H/\lambda_M$ are the singular exponents of $F/G/H/M$

$$\text{i.e., } F(z) = \underbrace{\tau_F + \dots}_{\text{initial regular part}} + c_F(1 - z/\rho_F)^{\lambda_F} + \dots$$

Lemma

In a critical composition scheme $F(z) = G(H(z))M(z)$ with $0 < \lambda_H < 1$, the singular exponent λ_F of $F(z)$ satisfies

$$\lambda_F = \min(\lambda_G \lambda_H + \lambda_M, \lambda_G \lambda_H, \lambda_H, \lambda_M).$$



Composition scheme: pure case

Theorem

In a pure critical composition scheme

$$F(z, u) = G(uH(z))M(z),$$

the core size X_n , converges in distribution and in moments to a random var. X distributed like a **3-parameter Mittag-Leffler distribution**:

$$\frac{X_n}{\kappa \cdot n^{\lambda_H}} \xrightarrow[m]{d} X, \quad \text{with} \quad X \stackrel{d}{=} \text{ML}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma),$$

where $\alpha = \lambda_H$, $\beta = -\lambda_G \lambda_H$, $\gamma = -\min(0, \lambda_M)$, and $\kappa = \frac{\tau_H}{-c_H}$.



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What is more, one has a **local limit theorem**

$$\mathbb{P}\{X_n = x \cdot \kappa n^{\lambda_H}\} \sim \frac{1}{\kappa n^{\lambda_H}} \cdot f_X(x),$$

where $f_X(x)$ is the **density** of X :

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\beta/\alpha)} \sum_{j \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^j}{j! \Gamma(\gamma - j\alpha)} x^{\beta/\alpha + j - 1}.$$



Simplifications

- 1 $\lambda_M \geq 0$ (which includes $F(z, u) = G(uH(z))$):

$$X_1 \stackrel{d}{=} \text{ML}(\lambda_H, -\lambda_G \lambda_H, 0) \stackrel{d}{=} \text{ML}(\lambda_H, -\lambda_G \lambda_H)$$

In particular, for $\lambda_G = -1$ and $\lambda_H = \frac{1}{2}$:

$$X_1 \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Rayleigh}$$

Sequence scheme [Drmota, Soria 1997]

- 2 $\lambda_M < 0$, $\lambda_G = -1$, and $\lambda_H - \lambda_M = 1$:

$$X_2 \stackrel{d}{=} \text{ML}(\lambda_H, \lambda_H, 1 - \lambda_H) \stackrel{d}{=} \text{ML}(\lambda_H).$$

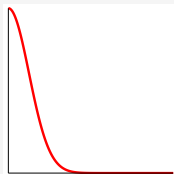
In particular, for $\lambda_H = \frac{1}{2}$:

$$X_2 \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Halfnormal}$$

Sequence scheme [Wallner 2020]



$$f_{X_1}(x) = \frac{x}{2} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{4}\right)$$



$$f_{X_2}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{4}\right)$$

Note that $\lambda_G = -1$ “=” *sequences* of \mathcal{H} -components

Composition scheme: degenerate case

Theorem

In a degenerate critical composition scheme

$$F(z, u) = G(uH(z))M(z)$$

the core size X_n converges for $0 < \lambda_G < 1$ and $\lambda_M < \lambda_G \lambda_H$ to a **Boltzmann distribution**:

$$\mathbb{P}\{X_n = k\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}\{\mathcal{B}_G(\rho_G) = k\} = \frac{g_k \rho_G^k}{G(\rho_G)}.$$

The case $\lambda_G > 1$ is similar.

Definition (Boltzmann distribution $\mathcal{B}_G(x)$)

Let $G(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} g_n z^n$ be a generating function and $x > 0$ inside the radius of convergence. Then, the *Boltzmann distribution* $\mathcal{B}_G(x)$ is defined by

$$\mathbb{P}\{X = n\} = \frac{g_n x^n}{G(x)}, \quad n \geq 0.$$

↪ “Boltzmann method”: using this Gibbs measure for each object of size n lead to a revolution for uniform random generation [Flajolet, Duchon, Louchard, Schaeffer 2001]

Composition scheme: **confluent case**

Theorem

In a confluent (i.e., $0 < \lambda_G < 1$ and $\lambda_M = \lambda_G \lambda_H$) ext. crit. comp. scheme

$$F(z, u) = G(uH(z))M(z)$$

the core size X_n is a **convex combination** of a Boltzmann distribution $\mathcal{B}_G(\rho_G)$ and an asymptotically continuous random variable Z_n :

$$X_n \sim \text{Be}(p) \cdot \mathcal{B}_G(\rho_G) + (1 - \text{Be}(p)) \cdot Z_n, \quad \frac{Z_n}{\kappa \cdot n^{\lambda_H}} \xrightarrow{d} \text{ML}(\lambda_H, -\lambda_G \lambda_H),$$

where $p = \frac{c_M G(\rho_G)}{c_M G(\rho_G) + \tau_M c_G (-c_H / \rho_G)^{\lambda_G}}$, and indep. rv's $\text{Be}(p)$, $\mathcal{B}_G(\rho_G)$, Z_n , and ML.

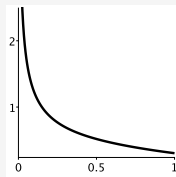
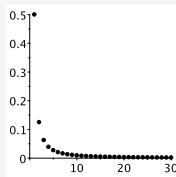
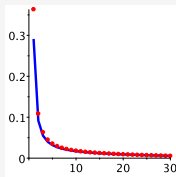
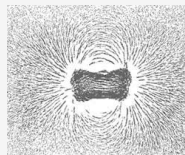
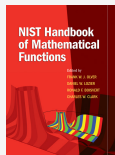
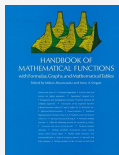


Figure: Core size in first part of pairs of supertrees: $\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{B}_c\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{n} \text{ML}\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$.

A link with electromagnetism and special functions



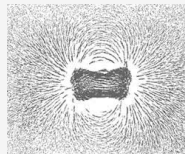
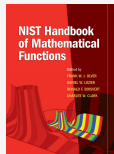
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$$E_{\alpha, \beta'}^{\gamma'}(t) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(k + \gamma')}{\Gamma(\alpha k + \beta') \Gamma(\gamma')} \frac{t^k}{k!}.$$

It is a special case of Fox–Wright function (\approx quotients of gamma \approx Wright's generalized hypergeometric \approx Mellin–Barnes integral).

There are many articles on this function... in physics!

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For $\beta = \alpha\gamma$, this “is” the inverse Laplace transform of $1/(1 + s^\alpha)^\gamma$, the right part of the Havriliak–Negami generalization of the Debye and Cole–Cole equations, which are classical models of [dielectric relaxation in electromagnetism](#).

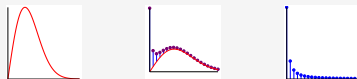
[Capelas Mainardi Vaz 2011, Garra(ppa) 2018, Górska Horzela Bratek Dattoli Penson 2018].

totally monotone: $(-1)^n \partial_t^n g(t) > 0$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Bernstein’s theorem \Rightarrow **density!?**

The Mittag-Leffler distributions

Distribution	Moment gen. function	History of the MGF
Mittag-Leffler ML(α)	$\mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) = E_\alpha(t) = E_{\alpha,1}^1(t)$	Laplace transform of stable distributions, subordinators [Feller 1949], MGF of local time of Markov processes [Darling, Kac 1957].
two-parameter Mittag-Leffler ML(α, β)	$\mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) = \Gamma(\beta') E_{\alpha, \beta'}^{\gamma'}(t)$ $(\beta', \gamma') = (\beta, \frac{\beta}{\alpha})$	Chinese restaurant [Pitman 2002], line-breaking construction of stable trees [Goldschmidt, Haas 2015], triangular Pólya urns [Flajolet, Dumas, Puyhaubert 2006], [Janson 2006 & 2010].
three-parameter Mittag-Leffler ML(α, β, γ)	$\mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) = \Gamma(\beta') E_{\alpha, \beta'}^{\gamma'}(t)$ $(\beta', \gamma') = (\beta + \gamma, \frac{\beta}{\alpha})$	critical composition schemes [Banderier, Kuba, Wallner 2021], Pólya urns [Goldschmidt, Haas, Sénizergues 2022]

This concludes our analysis of the size of the core in $F(z, u) = G(uH(z)) \times M(z)$. 😊



Part 2:
Compositions capturing size/distance
and mixed Poisson distributions

Goal 2: Analyse $F_j(z, v) = G(H(z) - (1 - v)h_j z^j)M(z)$

Profile: Number of \mathcal{H} -components of given size j

Let $H(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} h_n z^n$ and define the discrete random variable $X_{n,j}$:

$$\mathbb{P}\{X_{n,j} = k\} = \frac{[z^n v^k] F_j(z, v)}{[z^n] F_j(z, 1)}$$

- $X_{n,j}$ naturally refines X_n :

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} X_{n,j} = X_n.$$

- We now show that the limit laws of $X_{n,j}$ involve *mixed Poisson distributions*.

Mixed Poisson distribution

- First introduced for actuarial math./insurance modelling [Dubourdieu 1939]
- studied by Lundberg under the name “compound Poisson processes”
- used in bacteriology [Neyman 1939]
- unimodality properties [Masse, Theodorescu 2005]
- tail asymptotics [Willmot, Lin 2001]
- combinatorics [Kuba, Panholzer 2016]

Definition

Let X be a nonneg. random variable with cumulative distribution function U . Then, Y has a **mixed Poisson distribution with mixing distribution U** and scale parameter $\xi \geq 0$, if its probability mass function is given for $\ell \geq 0$ by

$$\mathbb{P}\{Y = \ell\} = \frac{\xi^\ell}{\ell!} \int_{\mathbb{R}^+} X^\ell e^{-\xi X} dU = \frac{\xi^\ell}{\ell!} \mathbb{E}(X^\ell e^{-\xi X}).$$

Notation: $Y \stackrel{d}{=} \text{MPo}(\xi U)$ or $Y \stackrel{d}{=} \text{MPo}(\xi X)$.

Important: $\mathbb{E}(Y^s) = \xi^s \mathbb{E}(X^s)$, $s \geq 1$.

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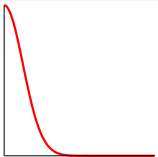
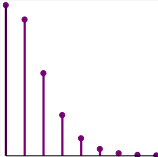
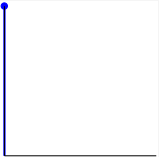
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Phase transitions for the profile

$$F(z, v) = G(H(z) - (1 - v)h_j z^j) M(z)$$

Scale	$j \ll n^{\frac{\lambda_H}{1+\lambda_H}}$	$j = \Theta\left(n^{\frac{\lambda_H}{1+\lambda_H}}\right)$	$j \gg n^{\frac{\lambda_H}{1+\lambda_H}}$
Limit law	Mittag-Leffler ML(α, β, γ)	mixed Poisson MPo(ξ ML)	Dirac
Example			
	$X_{n,j} \sim C h_j \rho_H^j n^{\lambda_H}$ ML	$X_{n,j} \sim \text{MPo}(\xi \text{ ML})$	$\mathbb{P}\{X_{n,j} \geq 1\} \sim 0$

- For large n there are typically many small ($j \ll n^{\frac{\lambda_H}{1+\lambda_H}}$), some giant ($j \sim n^{\frac{\lambda_H}{1+\lambda_H}}$), and no super-giant ($j \gg n^{\frac{\lambda_H}{1+\lambda_H}}$) \mathcal{H} -components of size j .
- Conditioning on super-giant case a point process appears; see [Stufler 2022].
- Universality of the window $\Theta(n^{1/3})$:** ubiquitous square-root behaviour ($\lambda_H = \frac{1}{2}$)
 \Rightarrow universality of the window $j = \Theta\left(n^{\frac{\lambda_H}{1+\lambda_H}}\right) = \Theta(n^{1/3})$.

Applications

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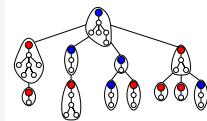
- 1 Core size of **supertrees**
- 2 Root degree and branching structure in **bilabelled increasing trees**
- 3 Returns to zero in **walks and bridges** with drift zero
- 4 Initial returns in **coloured bridges**
- 5 Sign changes in **Motzkin walks**
- 6 Table sizes in the **Chinese restaurant process**
- 7 Compositions in **balanced triangular urn models**

+ cycle compositions, multivariate extensions.

Example: Bicolored supertrees refined

Refined scheme: $F_j(z, v) = C(2zC(z) + (v-1)2c_{j-1}z^j)$

where $C(z) = \frac{1-\sqrt{1-4z}}{2z}$ is the generating function of plane trees.



Theorem (Number of patatoids of size j)

The number of coloured trees of size j in supertrees of size n has factorial moments of *mixed Poisson type* given by

$$\mathbb{E}(X_{n,j}^s) = \xi_{n,j}^s \cdot \mu_s(1 + o(1)),$$

with $\xi_{n,j} = 2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{j-1}c_{j-1}n^{1/2}$ and mixing distribution $X = \text{ML}\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$ with

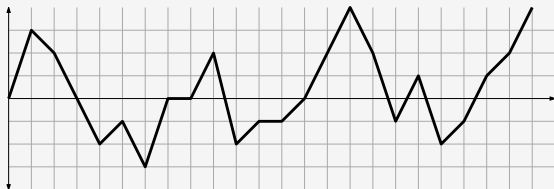
$$\mathbb{E}(X^s) = \mu_s = \frac{\Gamma(s - \frac{1}{2})\Gamma(-\frac{1}{4})}{\Gamma(-\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{4})}.$$

Furthermore, the random variable $X_{n,j}$ possesses the three previous distinct asymptotic régimes, with a phase transition at $j = \Theta(n^{1/3})$.

Walks with zero drift: Returns to zero

Walk: Sequence of vectors $(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in \mathcal{S}^n$

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- Walk “=” initial bridge $B(z)$ + final walk $M(z) = \frac{W(z)}{B(z)}$ (not returning to 0)
- The bridge part contains all the **returns to zero**
- Decomposing this bridge into a sequence of “minimal bridges” $B(z) = \frac{1}{1-A(z)}$

$$\Rightarrow W(z, u) = \frac{1}{1 - uA(z)} \frac{W(z)}{B(z)}$$

Profile of returns to zero

Corollary

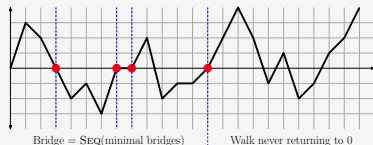
Let $X_{n,j}$ be the number of **distance- j -zeroes** in walks (bridges) with zero drift of length n . Then, $X_{n,j}$ has factorial moments of **mixed Poisson type**

$$\mathbb{E}(X_{n,j}^s) = \xi_{n,j}^s \cdot \mathbb{E}(X^s) (1 + o(1)),$$

with $\xi_{n,j} = \sqrt{\frac{P(1)}{2P''(1)}} \frac{h_j}{P(1)^j} \cdot n^{1/2}$, where X is given by

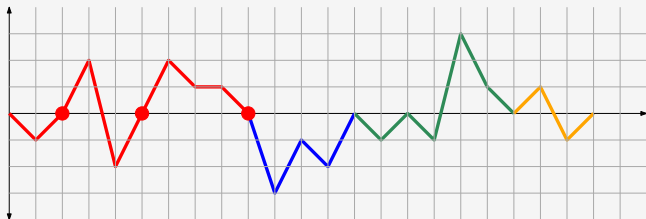
$$X = \begin{cases} HN(\sigma) & \text{for walks,} \\ \text{Rayleigh}(\sigma) & \text{for bridges,} \end{cases} \quad \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{P(1)}{P''(1)}}.$$

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Initial returns in coloured walks with zero drift

A 4-coloured bridge, with all its initial returns to zero marked by red dots:



Generating functions for m -colored bridges and walks:

$$B_m(z, u) = \left(\frac{1}{1 - uA(z)} - 1 \right) (B(z) - 1)^{m-1}$$

$$W_m(z, u) = (1 + B_m(z, u)) \frac{W(z)}{B(z)}$$

⇒ apply our blackbox theorems!

Corollary

The random variable X_n counting the number of *initial returns* in a m -coloured walk (resp. bridge) of length n satisfies

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We have the local limit theorem $\mathbb{P}\{X_n = x \cdot n^{1/2}\} \sim n^{-1/2} \cdot f_X(x)$, where, for bridges

$$f_X(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\sigma^2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} U\left(\frac{m}{2} - 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right),$$

where $U(a, b, x)$ is the confluent hypergeometric function of the second kind.

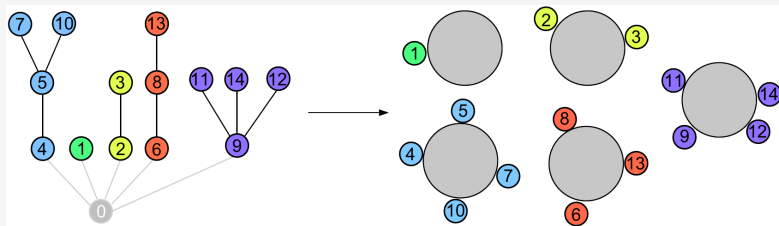
For walks, one replaces m by $m + 1$.

Tables in the Chinese restaurant process

- Studied by Aldous, Pitman, Yor
- Links with fragmentation/stick breaking/Poisson-Dirichlet processes
- Discrete-time stochastic process: at time n a set partition of $\{1, \dots, n\}$
 - Start at time $n = 1$ with the partition $\{\{1\}\}$
 - Given partition $\mathcal{T} = \{t_1, \dots, t_k\}$ of $[n]$ either add $n + 1$ to $t_i \in \mathcal{T}$ with prob.

$$\mathbb{P}\{n + 1 \hookrightarrow t_i\} = \frac{|t_i| - \alpha}{n + \beta}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq k,$$

- or as a new singleton block with remaining probability.



Embedding into plane-oriented recursive trees [Kuba, Panholzer 2016]

\Rightarrow Number of tables with j customers $\stackrel{d}{=} j$ branches of size j

Theorem

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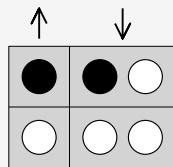
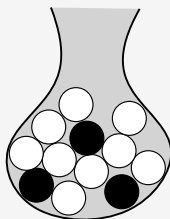
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Balanced triangular Pólya urns

Replacement matrix

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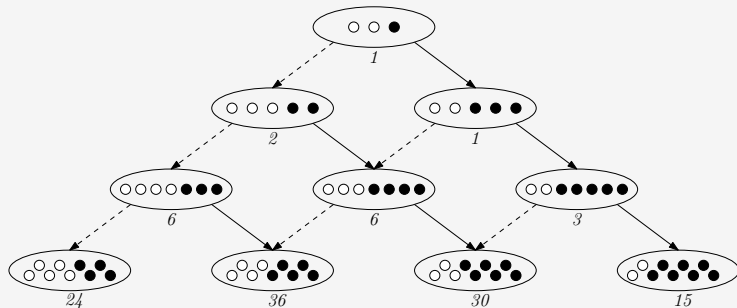
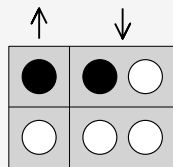
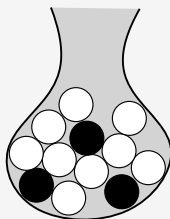


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Corollary

Let \mathcal{W}_n be the rv for the number of white balls in a balanced triangular urn with initially $w_0 > 0$ white and $b_0 \geq 0$ black balls. Then, we have a convergence in distr., with convergence of all moments, to a **3-parameter Mittag-Leffler distr.**

$$\frac{\mathcal{W}_n}{an^{a/\sigma}} \xrightarrow[m]{d} \text{ML} \left(\frac{a}{\sigma}, \frac{w_0}{a}, \frac{b_0}{a} \right).$$

Same limit for urns with noninteger weights [Goldschmidt, Haas, Sénizergues 2022]

Summary and extensions: a unified and generic approach!

Composition scheme	Symbolic form	Limit law
Ordinary	$G(uH(z))$	Mittag-Leffler ML(α, γ)
Extended	$M(z)G(uH(z))$	Mittag-Leffler ML(α, β, γ) and Boltzmann distribution
Cyclic	$-\log(1 - uH(z))$	Mittag-Leffler ML(α)
Multivariate extended	$M(z) \prod_{\ell=1}^m G_{\ell}(u_{\ell} H_{\ell}(z))$	multivariate product distribution
Refined	$M(z)G(H(z) - z^j h_j(1 - v))$	mixed Poisson type phase transition
Refined cyclic	$-\log(1 - (H(z) - (1 - v)h_j z^j / j!))$	mixed Poisson type phase transition
Multivariate size-refined	$M(z) \prod_{\ell=1}^m G_{\ell}(H_{\ell}(z) - z^{j_{\ell}} h_{\ell, j_{\ell}}(1 - v_{\ell}))$	mv. mixed Poisson type phase transition

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Summary and extensions: a unified and generic approach!

Composition scheme	Symbolic form	Limit law
Ordinary	$G(uH(z))$	Mittag-Leffler ML(α, γ)
Extended	$M(z)G(uH(z))$	Mittag-Leffler ML(α, β, γ) and Boltzmann distribution
Cyclic	$-\log(1 - uH(z))$	Mittag-Leffler ML(α)
Multivariate extended	$M(z) \prod_{\ell=1}^m G_{\ell}(u_{\ell} H_{\ell}(z))$	multivariate product distribution
Refined	$M(z)G(H(z) - z^j h_j(1 - v))$	mixed Poisson type phase transition
Refined cyclic	$-\log(1 - (H(z) - (1 - v)h_j z^j / j!))$	mixed Poisson type phase transition
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