## PATTERNS IN RANDOM TREES

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## Patterns in Trees

Cayley Trees: rooted labelled trees


## Patterns in Trees

## Generating functions

$r_{n} \ldots$ number of rooted labelled trees with $n$ nodes

$$
\begin{gathered}
R(x)=\sum_{n \geq 1} r_{n} \frac{x^{n}}{n!} \\
\mathcal{R}=\circ+\circ * \mathcal{R}+\frac{1}{2!} \circ * \mathcal{R} * \mathcal{R}+\frac{1}{3!} \circ * \mathcal{R} * \mathcal{R} * \mathcal{R}+\cdots \\
R(x)=x+x R(x)+\frac{1}{2!} x R(x)^{2}+\frac{1}{3!} x R(x)^{3}+\cdots \\
R(x)=x e^{R(x)}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Patterns in Trees

Cayley's formula (derived with Lagrange inversion)

$$
r_{n}=n!\frac{1}{n}\left[u^{n-1}\right] e^{u n}=n^{n-1}
$$

$$
r_{n}=n^{n-1}
$$

$t_{n} \ldots$ number of unrooted labelled trees with $n$ nodes $\left(=r_{n} / n\right)$

$$
t_{n}=n^{n-2}
$$

## Patterns in Trees

## Probabilistic Model

Every unrooted labelled tree $\tau$ with $n$ nodes is equally likely

$$
\mathbb{P}\{\tau \text { occurs }\}=\frac{1}{n^{n-2}}
$$

## Patterns in Trees

Pattern $\mathcal{M}$


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Occurence of a pattern $\mathcal{M}$


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Occurence of a pattern $\mathcal{M}$
in a labelled tree


## Patterns in Trees

Theorem (Chyzak \& D. \& Klausner \& Kok, CPC '08)
$\mathcal{M} \ldots$ be a given finite tree.
$X_{n} \ldots$ number of occurences of of $\mathcal{M}$ in a labelled tree of size $n$
$\Longrightarrow X_{n}$ satisfies a central limit theorem with

$$
\mathbb{E} X_{n} \sim \mu n \quad \text { and } \quad \mathbb{V} X_{n} \sim \sigma^{2} n
$$

$\mu>0$ and $\sigma^{2} \geq 0$ depend on the pattern $\mathcal{M}$ and can be computed explicitly and algorithmically and can be represented as polynomials (with rational coefficients) in $1 / e$.

## Patterns in Trees

## Sum of weakly dependent random variables

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## Patterns in Trees

Sum of weakly dependent random variables


## Patterns in Trees

## Sum of weakly dependent random variables



## Functional equations

Number of nodes of degree 3
$=$ number of nodes of out-degree 2
$r_{n, m} \ldots$ number of rooted labelled trees with $n$ nodes and $m$ nodes of out-degree 2

$$
\begin{gathered}
R(x, u)=\sum_{n, m} r_{n, m} \frac{x^{n}}{n!} u^{m} \\
\mathcal{R}=\circ+\circ * \mathcal{R}+\frac{1}{2!} \bullet * \mathcal{R} * \mathcal{R}+\frac{1}{3!} \circ * \mathcal{R} * \mathcal{R} * \mathcal{R}+\cdots \\
R(x, u)=x+x R(x, u)+\square \frac{1}{2!} x R(x, u)^{2}+\frac{1}{3!} x R(x, u)^{3}+\cdots \\
R(x, u)=x u \frac{R(x, u)^{2}}{2!}+x\left(e^{R(x, u)}-\frac{R(x, u)^{2}}{2!}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

## Functional equations

Recursive structure leads to functional equation for gen. func.:

$$
A(x, u)=\Phi(x, u, A(x, u))
$$

## Functional equations

Theorem (Bender, Canfield, Meir \& Moon, D.)
Suppose that $A(x, u)=\Phi(x, u, A(x, u))$, where $\Phi(x, u, a)$ has a power series expansion at ( $0,0,0$ ) with non-negative coefficients and $\Phi_{a a}(x, u, a) \neq 0$.

Let $x_{0}>0, a_{0}>0$ (inside the region of convergence) satisfy the system of equations:

$$
a_{0}=\Phi\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right), \quad 1=\Phi_{a}\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right)
$$

Then there exists analytic function $g(x, u), h(x, u)$, and $\rho(u)$ such that locally

$$
A(x, u)=g(x, u)-h(x, u) \sqrt{1-\frac{x}{\rho(u)}} .
$$

## Functional equations

## Idea of the Proof.

Set $F(x, u, a)=\Phi(x, u, a)-a$. Then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
F\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right) & =0 \\
F_{a}\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right) & =0 \\
F_{x}\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right) & \neq 0 \\
F_{a a}\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right) & \neq 0
\end{aligned}
$$

Weierstrass preparation theorem implies that there exist analytic functions $H(x, u, a), p(x, u), q(x, u)$ with $H\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right) \neq 0, p\left(x_{0}, 1\right)=q\left(x_{0}, 1\right)=$ 0 and

$$
F(x, u, a)=H(x, u, a)\left(\left(a-a_{0}\right)^{2}+p(x, u)\left(a-a_{0}\right)+q(x, u)\right)
$$

## Functional equations

$$
F(x, u, a)=0 \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad\left(a-a_{0}\right)^{2}+p(x, u)\left(a-a_{0}\right)+q(x, u)=0
$$

Consequently

$$
\begin{aligned}
A(x, u) & =a_{0}-\frac{p(x, u)}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{p(x, u)^{2}}{4}-q(x, u)} \\
& =g(x, u)-h(x, u) \sqrt{1-\frac{x}{\rho(u)}}
\end{aligned}
$$

where we write

$$
\frac{p(x, u)^{2}}{4}-q(x, u)=K(x, u)(x-\rho(u))
$$

which is again granted by the Weierstrass preparation theorem and we set

$$
g(x, u)=a_{0}-\frac{p(x, u)}{2} \quad \text { and } \quad h(x, u)=\sqrt{-K(x, u) \rho(u)}
$$

## Functional equations

## A Central Limit Theorem for Functional Equations

Suppose that $A(x, u)=\Phi(x, u, A(x, u))$, where $\Phi(x, u, a)$ has a power series expansion at $(0,0,0)$ with non-negative coefficients and $\Phi_{a a}(x, u, a) \neq$ 0 ( + minor technical conditions). Set

$$
\mu=\frac{x_{0} \Phi_{x}\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right)}{\Phi\left(x_{0}, 1, a_{0}\right)} \quad \text { and } \quad \sigma^{2}=\text { "long formula". }
$$

Then then random variable $X_{n}$ defined by $\mathbb{P}\left\{X_{n}=m\right\}=a_{n, m} / a_{n}$ satisfies a central limit theorem with

$$
\mathbb{E} X_{n} \sim \mu n \quad \text { and } \quad \mathbb{V} X_{n} \sim \sigma^{2} n
$$

Remark. $\mathbb{E} u^{X_{n}}=\sum_{m} \mathbb{P}\left\{X_{n}=m\right\} u^{m}=\frac{\left[x^{n}\right] A(x, u)}{\left[x^{n}\right] A(x, 1)}$

## Functional equations

Idea of the Proof.

$$
A(x, u)=g(x, u)-h(x, u) \sqrt{1-\frac{x}{\rho(u)}}
$$

for certain analytic function $g(x, u), h(x, u)$, and $\rho(u)$.
application of singularity analysis (Flajolet \& Odlyzko)

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Longrightarrow A_{n}(u) & =\left[x^{n}\right] A(x, u)=\sum_{m \geq 0} a_{n, m} u^{m} \sim \frac{h(\rho(u), u) \cdot \rho(u)^{-n} \cdot n^{-3 / 2}}{2 \sqrt{\pi}} \\
& \Longrightarrow \mathbb{E} u^{X_{n}}=\frac{A_{n}(u)}{A_{n}(1)} \sim \frac{h(\rho(u), u)}{h(\rho(1), 1)}\left(\frac{\rho(1)}{\rho(u)}\right)^{n}
\end{aligned}
$$

$\Longrightarrow$ central limit theorem by Quasi Power Theorem

## Functional equations

Number of nodes of degree 3 in Cayley trees

$$
\begin{aligned}
R(x, u) & =x e^{R(x, u)}+x(u-1) \frac{R(x, u)^{2}}{2} \\
x_{0} & =\frac{1}{e}, \quad r_{0}=R\left(x_{0}\right)=1
\end{aligned}
$$

$\Longrightarrow$ central limit theorem with

$$
\mathbb{E} X_{n} \sim \frac{1}{2 e} n \quad \text { and } \quad \mathbb{V} X_{n} \sim\left(\frac{1}{2 e}-\frac{1}{2 e^{2}}\right) n
$$

## Functional equations

## Systems of functional equations

Suppose, that several generating functions

$$
A_{1}(x, u)=\sum_{n, k} a_{1 ; n, k} u^{k} x^{n}, \ldots, A_{r}(x, u)=\sum_{n, k} a_{r ; n, k} u^{k} x^{n}
$$

satisfy a system of non-linear equations

$$
A_{j}(x, u)=\Phi_{j}\left(x, u, A_{1}(x, u), \ldots, A_{r}(x, u)\right)
$$

where $\Phi_{j}\left(x, u, a_{1}, \ldots, a_{r}\right)$ is non-linear in $a_{1}, \ldots, a_{r}$ for some $j$ and has a power series expansion at ( $0,0,0$ ) with non-negative coefficients (for all $j$ ).

Let $x_{0}>0, \mathbf{a}_{0}=\left(a_{0,0}, \ldots, a_{r, 0}\right)>0$ (inside the region of convergence) satisfy the system of equations: $\left(\Phi=\left(\Phi_{1}, \ldots, \Phi_{r}\right)\right)$

$$
\mathbf{a}_{0}=\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(x_{0}, 1, \mathbf{a}_{0}\right), \quad 0=\operatorname{det}\left(\mathbb{I}-\mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathbf{a}}\left(x_{0}, 1, \mathbf{a}_{0}\right)\right.
$$

## Functional equations

Suppose further, that the dependency graph of the system $\mathbf{a}=\Phi(x, u, \mathbf{a})$ is strongly connected.

Then there exists analytic function $g_{j}(x, u), h_{j}(x, u)$, and $\rho(u)$ (that is independent of $j$ ) such that locally

$$
A_{j}(x, u)=g_{j}(x, u)-h_{j}(x, u) \sqrt{1-\frac{x}{\rho(u)}}
$$

If $A(x, u)=\sum_{n, k} a_{n, k} x^{n} u^{k}=F\left(x, u, A_{1}(x, u), \ldots, A_{j}(x, u)\right)$ (for some ana-
lytic function $F$ satisfying certain conditions) then then random variable $X_{n}$ defined by $\mathbb{P}\left\{X_{n}=m\right\}=a_{n, m} / a_{n}$ satisfies a central limit theorem with

$$
\mathbb{E} X_{n} \sim \mu n \quad \text { and } \quad \mathbb{V} X_{n} \sim \sigma^{2} n
$$

where $\mu$ and $\sigma^{2}$ can be computed.

## Functional equations

Dependency graph: $G_{\Phi}=(V, E)$
$V \ldots$ vertex set $=\left\{A_{1}, A_{2}, \ldots, A_{r}\right\}$
E ... (directed) edge set:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(A_{i}, A_{j}\right) \in E & : \Longleftrightarrow A_{i}(x, u) \text { depends on } A_{j}(x, u) \\
& \Longleftrightarrow \Phi_{i} \text { depends on } A_{j} \\
& \Longleftrightarrow \frac{\partial \Phi_{i}}{\partial a_{j}} \neq 0
\end{aligned}
$$

$G_{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}$ is stongly connected $\Longleftrightarrow \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\mathbf{a}}:=\left(\frac{\partial \Phi_{i}}{\partial A_{j}}\right)$ irreducible

## Functional equations

$$
\operatorname{det}\left(\mathbb{I}-\mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathbf{a}}\left(x_{0}, 1, \mathbf{a}_{0}\right)\right)=0 \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathbf{a}} \text { has dominant eigenvalue } 1
$$

## Fact

$\mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathrm{a}}$ irreducible
$\Longrightarrow$ Every principle submatrix of $\Phi_{\mathbf{a}}$ has smaller dominant eigenvalue (Perron-Frobenius theory for non-negative matrices)

## Functional equations

Idea of the proof (reduction to a single equation)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{a}=\left(A_{1}, \ldots, A_{r}\right)=\left(A_{1}, \overline{\mathbf{a}}\right), \Phi=\left(\Phi_{1}, \ldots, \Phi_{r}\right)=\left(\Phi_{1}, \bar{\Phi}\right) \\
& \mathbf{a}=\boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{a}, x, u) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad A_{1}=\Phi_{1}\left(A_{1}, \overline{\mathbf{a}}, x, u\right) \\
& \overline{\mathbf{a}}=\bar{\Phi}\left(A_{1}, \overline{\mathbf{a}}, x, u\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

The second system has dominant eigenvalue $<1$
$\Longrightarrow \overline{\mathbf{a}}=\overline{\mathbf{a}}\left(x, u, A_{1}\right)$ is analytic

Insertion of this analytic solution into the first equation:

$$
A_{1}=\Phi_{1}\left(\left(A_{1}, \overline{\mathbf{a}}\left(x, u, A_{1}\right), x, u\right)=G\left(A_{1}, x, u\right)\right.
$$

leads to single equation.

## Combinatorics on Pattern in Trees

Occurence of a pattern $\mathcal{M}$ in a labelled tree


## Combinatorics on Pattern in Trees

Partition of trees in classes $(\square \ldots$ out-degree different from 2)


## Combinatorics on Pattern in Trees

Recurrences $A_{3}=x A_{0} A_{2}+x A_{0} A_{3}+x A_{0} A_{4}$


$$
A_{j}(x)=\sum_{n, k} a_{j ; n} \frac{x^{n}}{n!}
$$

$a_{j ; n} \quad$... number of trees of size $n$ in class $j$

## Combinatorics on Pattern in Trees

Recurrences $A_{3}=x u A_{0} A_{2}+x u A_{0} A_{3}+x u A_{0} A_{4}$


$$
A_{j}(x, u)=\sum_{n, k} a_{j ; n, m} \frac{x^{n}}{n!} u^{m}
$$

$a_{j ; n, m}$
... number of trees of size $n$ in class $j$ with $m$ occurences of $\mathcal{M}$

## Combinatorics on Pattern in Trees

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{0} & =A_{0}(x, u)=x+x \sum_{i=0}^{10} A_{i}+x \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}\left(\sum_{i=0}^{10} A_{i}\right)^{n} \\
A_{1} & =A_{1}(x, u)=\frac{1}{2} x A_{0}^{2} \\
A_{2} & =A_{2}(x, u)=x A_{0} A_{1} \\
A_{3} & =A_{3}(x, u)=x A_{0}\left(A_{2}+A_{3}+A_{4}\right) u \\
A_{4} & =A_{4}(x, u)=x A_{0}\left(A_{5}+A_{6}+A_{7}+A_{8}+A_{9}+A_{10}\right) u^{2} \\
A_{5} & =A_{5}(x, u)=\frac{1}{2} x A_{1}^{2} u \\
A_{6} & =A_{6}(x, u)=x A_{1}\left(A_{2}+A_{3}+A_{4}\right) u^{2} \\
A_{7} & =A_{7}(x, u)=x A_{1}\left(A_{5}+A_{6}+A_{7}+A_{8}+A_{9}+A_{10}\right) u^{3} \\
A_{8} & =A_{8}(x, u)=\frac{1}{2} x\left(A_{2}+A_{3}+A_{4}\right)^{2} u^{3} \\
A_{9} & =A_{9}(x, u)=x\left(A_{2}+A_{3}+A_{4}\right)\left(A_{5}+A_{6}+A_{7}+A_{8}+A_{9}+A_{10}\right) u^{4} \\
A_{10} & =A_{10}(x, u)=\frac{1}{2} x\left(A_{5}+A_{6}+A_{7}+A_{8}+A_{9}+A_{10}\right)^{2} u^{5}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Combinatorics on Pattern in Trees

Final Result for $\mathcal{M}=$

Central limit theorem with

$$
\mu=\frac{5}{8 e^{3}}=0.0311169177 \ldots
$$

and

$$
\sigma^{2}=\frac{20 e^{3}+72 e^{2}+84 e-175}{32 e^{6}}=0.0764585401 \ldots
$$

## Perspectives

## Further Applications

- Contextfree languages
- Planar graphs (with Giménez \& Noy)
- Random walks on graphs (Woess)
- Random Boolean formulas (Woods, Chauvin \& Flajolet \& Gittenberger \& Gardy)


## Generalizations

- General dependency graph
- Infinite systems of equations
- ...


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