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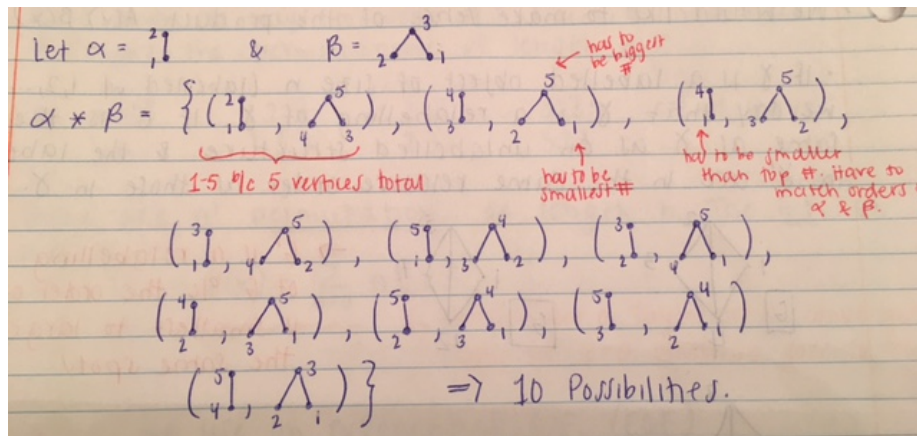
1 Product of Two Labeled Structures

α is a labeled structure of size l .

β is a labeled structure of size k .

$(\alpha * \beta) = \{(\alpha', \beta') \mid \alpha' \text{ and } \beta' \text{ are labeled with the numbers } 1, 2, \dots, l+k, \text{ and } \alpha' \text{ is a relabeling of } \alpha, \text{ and } \beta' \text{ is a relabeling of } \beta.\}$

2 Labeled Rooted Plane Trees



Question: If α has size k and β has size l , how many elements are in $(\alpha * \beta)$?

Answer: There are $\binom{k+l}{k}$ elements in $(\alpha * \beta)$.

Say that A is a collection of labeled objects with exponential generating function $f(x)$, and B is another collection with exponential generating function $g(x)$.

Let $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A, \beta \in B} [\alpha * \beta]$.

Find the exponential generating function $h(x)$ for C .

Let $h(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{c_n}{n!} x^n$

Let $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n!} x^n$

Let $g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{n!} x^n$

Every object in C of size n is constructed by taking an α of size k from A and a β from B of size (n-k). This choice of α and β gives us $\binom{n}{k}$ objects in C.

$C_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_{n-k} \binom{n}{k}$, the number of objects in C.

a_k is the possible α 's, b_{n-k} is the possible β 's, $\binom{n}{k}$ is the total number of things.]

Now, $h(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{c_n}{n!} x^n$

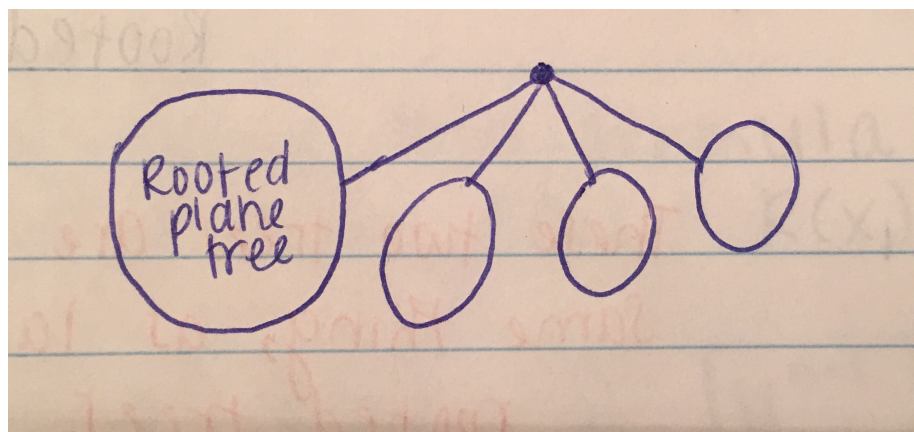
$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_{n-k} \binom{n}{k}) \frac{x^n}{n!}$

$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{a_k}{k!} \frac{b_{n-k}}{(n-k)!}) \frac{n! x^n}{n!}$

$= (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n!} x^n) (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{n!} x^n)$

So, $h(x) = f(x)g(x)$.

2.1 Count Labeled Rooted Plane Trees



Recall: (Unlabeled) Rooted Plane Trees

- Start with a root
- Any rooted plane tree consists of a root along with a sequence of rooted plane trees that get hung from the root in order.
- So, $p(x) = x(1 + p(x) + p(x)^2 + p(x)^3 + \dots) = x(\frac{1}{1-p(x)})$

This same construction works for the exponential generating function for labeled rooted plane trees. But same function for both.

Question: How many labeled rooted plane trees are there?

$$p(x)(1 - p(x)) = x$$

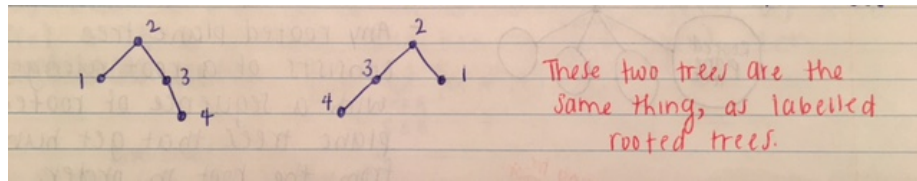
$$p(x) - p(x)^2 = x$$

$$0 = p(x)^2 - p(x) + x$$

$$p(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{n-1} x^n$$

Answer: $n![x^n]p(x) = n! c_{n-1} = \frac{n!}{n} \binom{2(n-1)}{n-1} = \frac{(2n-2)!}{(n-1)!}$

Question: What if we remove the "plane" requirement? (Labeled Rooted Trees)



- Construction for labeled rooted trees is similar.
 - Start with a root.
 - Below it attach an unordered set of labeled rooted plane trees.

Let $R(x)$ = exponential generating function of labeled rooted trees.

$$\text{So, } R(x) = x(1 + R(x) + \frac{R(x)^2}{2!} + \frac{R(x)^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{R(x)^n}{n!} = xe^{R(x)}$$

(The $n!$ accounts for swapping n number of trees that are the same.)

2.2 Lagrange Inversion Formula

Suppose $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are formal power series and $g(0)=1$. Suppose $f(x) = x(g(f(x)))$.

Then,

$$[x^n]f(x) = \frac{1}{n}[u^{n-1}](g(u))^n.$$

Let's apply this formula to labeled rooted trees. In this case, $F(x)=R(x)$ and $G(x)=e^x$.

So,

$$x^n R(x) = \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] (e^u)^n = \frac{1}{n} [u^{n-1}] e^{nu} = \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{n^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \right) = \frac{n^{n-1}}{n!}$$

$$R(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^{n-1}}{n!} x^n$$

So, there are n^{n-1} labeled rooted trees of size n .