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Derive a formula for $\mathbb{E}_\pi[C(\pi, k)]$, up to additive terms of order $o(n)$. You might want to introduce $??? = k/n$.

- case $i < k < j$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \sum_{j=k+1}^n \frac{1}{j-i+1} &< \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \int_{k+1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{j-i} dj \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \ln(n+1-i) - \ln(k+1-i) \\
 &< \int_{i=0}^{k-1} \ln(n+1-i) - \ln(k-i) di \\
 &= (n+1) \ln(n+1) - k \ln k - (n-k+2) \ln(n-k+2).
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, similarly we can have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \sum_{j=k+1}^n \frac{1}{j-i+1} > -(-k+n+2) \ln(-k+n+2) - (k+2) \ln(k+2) + (n+1) \ln(n+1) + 3 \ln(3).$$

The difference between the upper bound and the lower bound is $o(n)$, thus the inaccuracy is $o(n)$.

To write this formula more simply, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \sum_{j=k+1}^n \frac{1}{j-i+1} = n \ln n - k \ln k - (n-k) \ln(n-k) + o(n).$$

Summing three terms up,

$$\mathbb{E}_\pi[C(\pi, k)] = n - 1 - H_k - H_{n-k+1} + n \ln n - k \ln k - (n-k) \ln(n-k) + o(n).$$