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In this document, we verify the essential inequality necessary to prove  $2M_T > \mu(T;v)$  by considering the critical values of  $\mu^{\bullet}$ , when there are 2 sub-k-trees

We first write the formulas in general

$$\text{> } LHS := (N1, N2, k, \mu1, \mu2) \rightarrow (N1 \cdot N2 + 1) \cdot (1 + \mu1 + \mu2 + k) + k \cdot (k - 1) + \mu1 \cdot (1 + k + \mu1) \cdot N1 + \mu2 \cdot (1 + k + \mu2) \cdot N2$$

$$LHS := (N1, N2, k, \mu1, \mu2) \rightarrow (N1 N2 + 1) (1 + \mu1 + \mu2 + k) + k (k - 1) + \mu1 (1 + k + \mu1) N1 + \mu2 (1 + k + \mu2) N2 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{> } RHS := (N1, N2, k, \mu1, \mu2) \rightarrow (1 + \mu1 + \mu2) \cdot ((1 + k + \mu1) \cdot N1 + (1 + k + \mu2) \cdot N2 + k - 2)$$

$$RHS := (N1, N2, k, \mu1, \mu2) \rightarrow (1 + \mu1 + \mu2) ((1 + k + \mu1) N1 + (1 + k + \mu2) N2 + k - 2) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{> } Dif := (N1, N2, k, \mu1, \mu2) \rightarrow LHS(N1, N2, k, \mu1, \mu2) - RHS(N1, N2, k, \mu1, \mu2)$$

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$$\text{> } simplify(Dif(N1, N2, k, 0, 0))$$

$$N1 N2 k + N1 N2 - N1 k - N2 k + k^2 - N1 - N2 - k + 3 \quad (4)$$

$$\text{> } collect\left(simplify\left(Dif\left(N1, N2, k, 0, \frac{(N2)}{2}\right)\right), k\right)$$

$$k^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} N1 N2 - 1 - N1 - \frac{3}{2} N2\right) k + \frac{1}{2} N1 N2 + 3 + \frac{1}{2} N1 N2^2 + \frac{1}{2} N2 - \frac{1}{2} N2^2 - N1 \quad (5)$$

$$\text{> } collect\left(simplify\left(Dif\left(N1, N2, k, \frac{(N1)}{2}, \frac{(N2)}{2}\right)\right), k\right)$$

$$k^2 + \left(-\frac{3}{2} N1 - \frac{3}{2} N2 - 1\right) k + 3 + \frac{1}{4} N1 N2^2 - \frac{1}{2} N2^2 + \frac{1}{2} N2 + \frac{1}{4} N1^2 N2 - \frac{1}{2} N1^2 + \frac{1}{2} N1 \quad (6)$$

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$$\text{> } f1(N1, N2, k) := Dif(N1, N2, k, 0, 0)$$

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$$\text{> } f2(N1, N2, k) := Dif\left(N1, N2, k, \frac{N1}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$f2 := (N1, N2, k) \rightarrow Dif\left(N1, N2, k, \frac{1}{2} N1, 0\right) \quad (8)$$

$$\text{> } f3(N1, N2, k) := Dif\left(N1, N2, k, \frac{N1 - 1}{2}, \frac{N2 - 1}{2}\right)$$

$$f3 := (N1, N2, k) \rightarrow Dif\left(N1, N2, k, \frac{1}{2} N1 - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} N2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \quad (9)$$

$$\text{> } minimize(f1(N1, N2, k), N1 = 2..infinity, N2 = 2..infinity, k = 2..infinity)$$

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 & \left. \begin{aligned} & \text{> minimize}(f2(N1, N2, k), N1 = 2 \dots \text{infinity}, N2 = 2 \dots \text{infinity}, k = 2 \dots \text{infinity}) \\ & \text{=} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{(11)} \\
 & \left. \begin{aligned} & \text{> minimize}(f3(N1, N2, k), N1 = 2 \dots \text{infinity}, N2 = 2 \dots \text{infinity}, k = 2 \dots \text{infinity}) \\ & \text{=} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{(12)} \\
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