

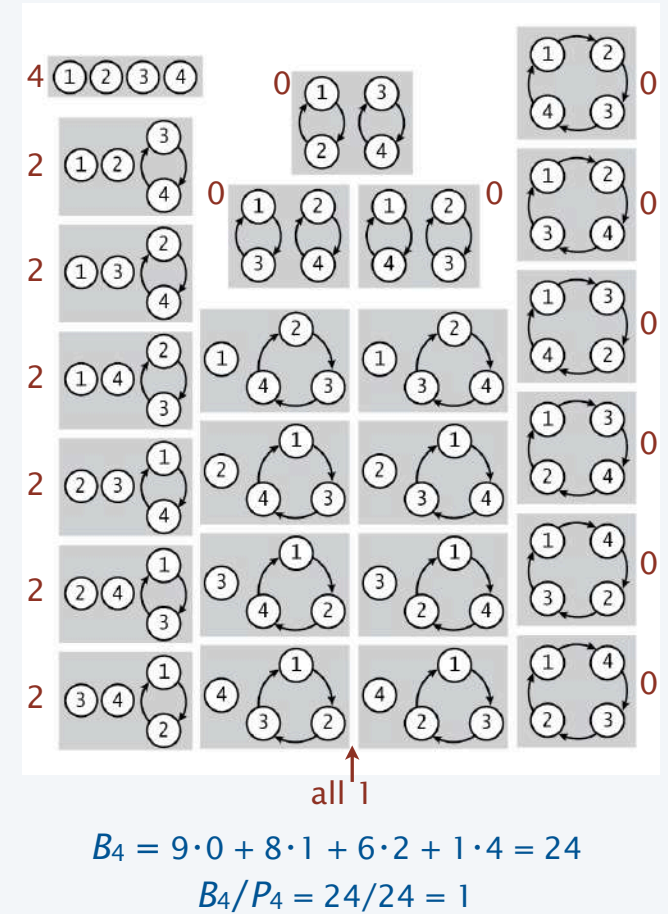
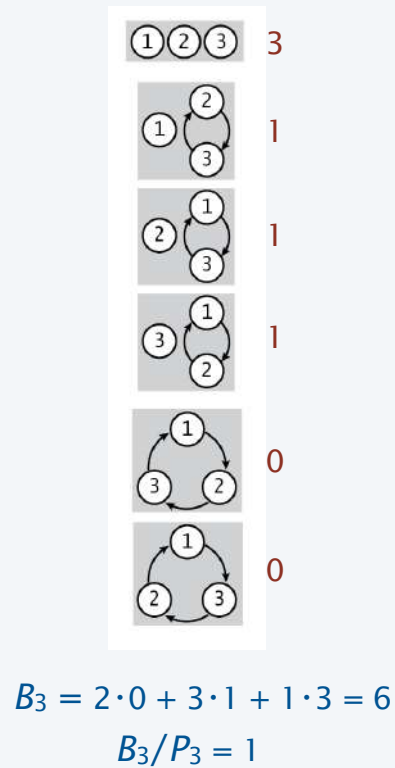
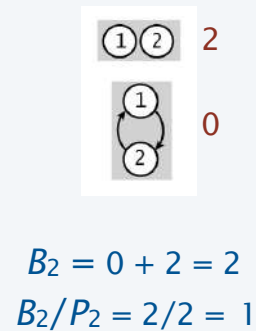
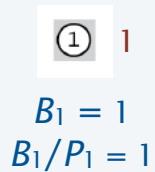
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7. Permutations

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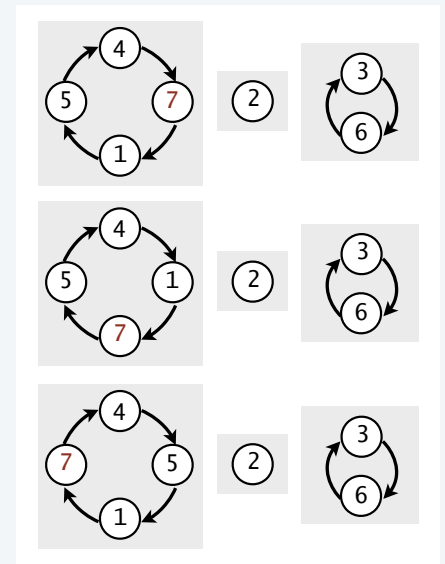
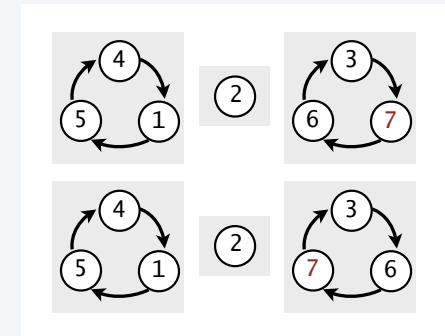
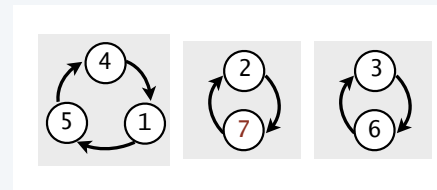
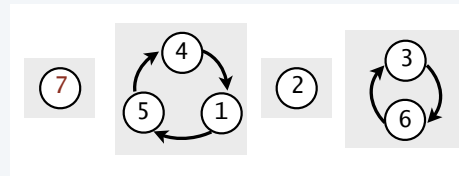
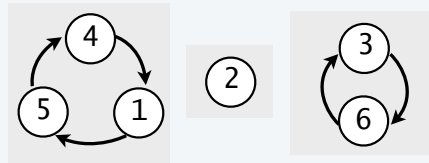
1-Cycles

Q. How many 1-cycles in a random permutation of size N ?



Construction for 1-cycles

Create $|p|+1$ perms from a perm p by inserting $|p|+1$ into every position in every cycle (including the null cycle)



Original perm has $\text{cyc}_1(p)$ 1-cycles.

Q. How many 1-cycles in the set of constructed perms?

A. $(|p| + 1) \text{cyc}_1(p) + 1 - \text{cyc}_1(p) = |p| \text{cyc}_1(p) + 1$

$|p| + 1$ copies of the original perm

from the null cycle

1-cycles changed to 2-cycles

Average number of 1-cycles in a random permutation

CGF.

$$B(z) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \text{cyc}_1(p) \frac{z^{|p|}}{|p|!} = \sum_{N \geq 0} B_N \frac{z^N}{N!}$$

Apply construction.

$$= \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} (|p| \text{cyc}_1(p) + 1) \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p|+1)!}$$

Differentiate.

$$B'(z) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} |p| \text{cyc}_1(p) \frac{z^{|p|}}{|p|!} + \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{z^{|p|}}{|p|!} = zB'(z) + \frac{1}{1-z}$$

Solve.

$$B'(z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2}$$

Integrate.

$$B(z) = \frac{1}{1-z}$$

Expand.

$$[z^N]B(z) = \frac{B_N}{N!} = \textcircled{1}$$

cumulated cost

average # 1-cycles in a random permutation

Application: Students and rooms revisited

A group of N students who live in single rooms go to a party that leads to a state of inebriation. When returning, they each end up in a random room.

Q. What is the average number of students who wind up in their own room?



A. One (!)

In-class exercises

Q. How many *2-cycles* in a random permutation of size N ?

A. $1/2$

Q. How many *r -cycles* in a random permutation of size N ?

A. $1/r$

Inversions

Def. An **inversion** in a permutation is the number of pairs (i, j) with $i > j$.

Equivalent: Sum number of entries larger and to the left of each entry.

Q. How many *inversions* in a random permutation of size N ?

1	0
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$P_1 = 1$
 $B_1 = 0$
 $B_1/P_1 = 0$

1	2	0
2	1	1

$P_2 = 2$
 $B_2 = 0 + 1 = 1$
 $B_2/P_2 = 1/2 = 0.5$

1	2	3	0
2	1	3	1
3	1	2	2
1	3	2	1
2	3	1	2
3	2	1	3

$P_3 = 6$
 $B_3 = 2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 3 = 9$
 $B_3/P_3 = 9/6 = 1.5$

0	1	2	3	4	1	2	4	3	1
1	2	1	3	4	2	1	4	3	2
2	3	1	2	4	3	1	4	2	3
2	4	1	2	3	4	1	3	2	4
1	1	3	2	4	1	3	4	2	2
2	2	3	1	4	2	3	4	1	4
3	3	2	1	4	3	2	4	1	4
3	4	2	1	3	4	2	3	1	4
2	1	4	2	3	1	4	3	2	3
3	2	4	1	3	2	4	3	1	4
4	3	4	1	2	3	4	2	1	5
5	4	3	1	2	4	3	2	1	6

$P_4 = 24$
 $B_4 = 3 \cdot 1 + 7 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 3 + 6 \cdot 4 + 2 \cdot 5 + 1 \cdot 6 = 72$
 $B_4/P_4 = 72/24 = 3$

Application: Insertion sort

```
public static void sort(Comparable[] a)
{
    int N = a.length;
    for (int i = 1; i < N; i++)
    {
        for (int j = i; j > 0; j--)
            if (less(a[j], a[j-1]))
                exch(a, j, j-1);
            else break;
    }
}
```

sorted before i i = 10 untouched after i
↓

A	E	G	I	N	O	R	S	T	X	M	P	L	E	D	Q	Z
A	E	G	I	N	O	R	S	T	M	X	P	L	E	D	Q	Z
A	E	G	I	N	O	R	S	M	T	X	P	L	E	D	Q	Z
A	E	G	I	N	O	R	M	S	T	X	P	L	E	D	Q	Z
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A	E	G	I	N	M	O	R	S	T	X	P	L	E	D	Q	Z
A	E	G	I	M	N	O	R	S	T	X	P	L	E	D	Q	Z

exchanges put M in place among elements to its left

Q. How many exchanges during the sort?

A. The number of **inversions** in the permutation.

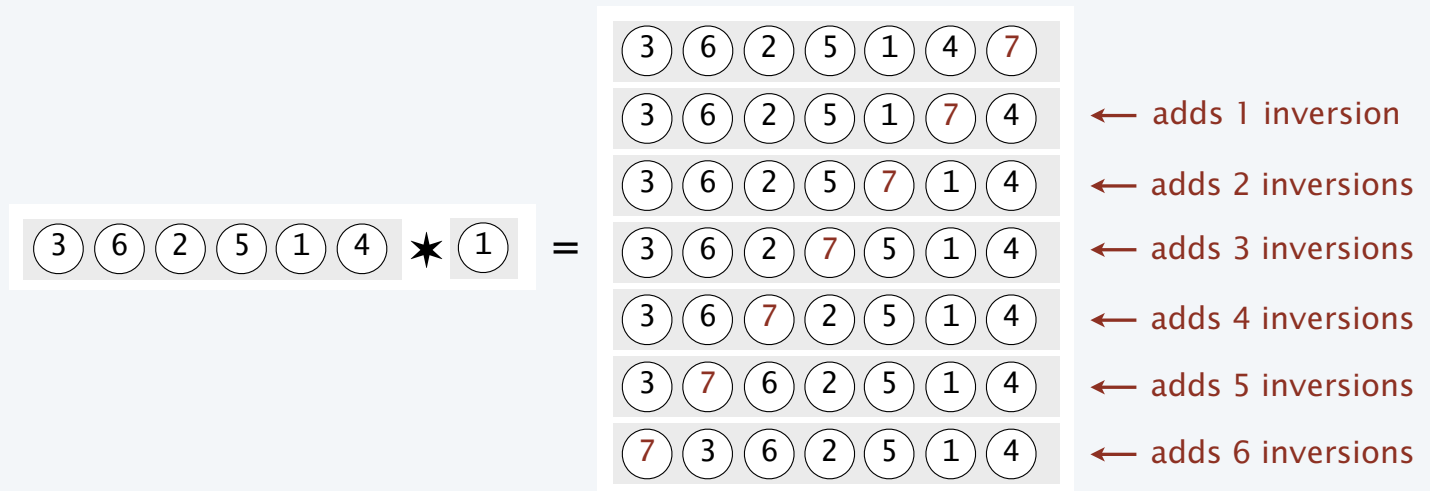
Q. How many inversions in a random permutation?



Section 2.1

Construction for inversions

Create $|p|+1$ perms from a perm p by "largest" construction.



Original perm has $\text{inv}(p)$ inversions.

Q. How many inversions in the set of constructed perms?

A. $(|p| + 1) \text{inv}(p) + (|p| + 1) |p| / 2$

$|p| + 1$ copies of the
original perm

all the inversions
caused by $|p| + 1$

Average number of inversions in a random permutation

CGF.

$$B(z) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \text{inv}(p) \frac{z^{|p|}}{|p|!} = \sum_{N \geq 0} B_N \frac{z^N}{N!}$$

Apply construction.

$$= \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} ((|p| + 1) \text{inv}(p) + (|p| + 1)|p|/2) \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p| + 1)!}$$

Simplify.

$$= \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \text{inv}(p) \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p|)!} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} |p| \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p|)!} = zB(z) + \frac{z}{2} \sum_{k \geq 0} k z^k$$

Substitute.

$$= zB(z) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z^2}{(1-z)^2}$$

Solve.

$$B(z) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{z^2}{(1-z)^3}$$

Expand.

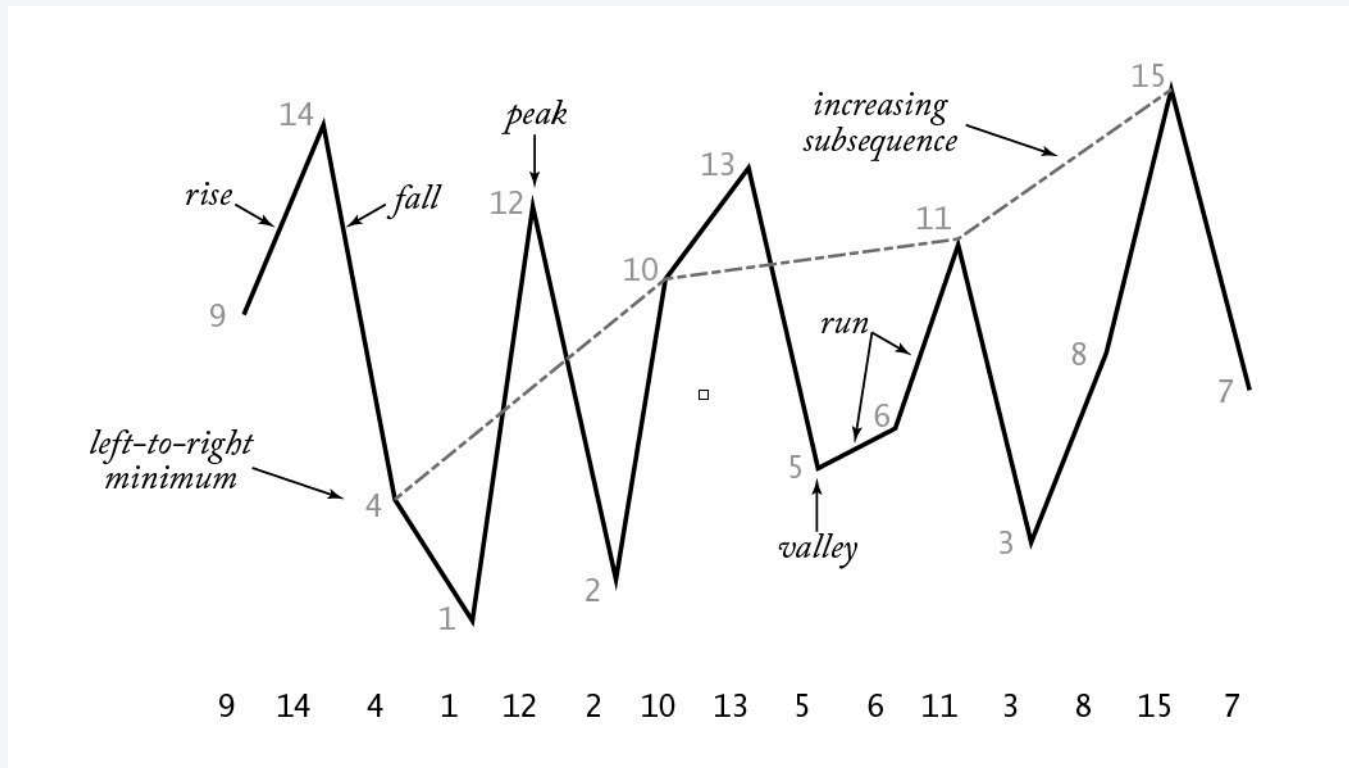
$$[z^N]B(z) = \frac{B_N}{N!} = \frac{N(N-1)}{4}$$

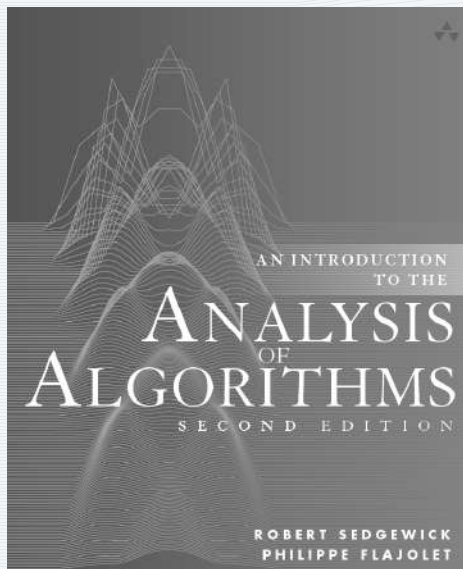
← cumulated cost
← average # inversions in a random permutation

$$\begin{aligned} B_1/1! &= \frac{1 \cdot 0}{4} = 0 \\ B_2/2! &= \frac{2 \cdot 1}{4} = 0.5 \\ B_3/3! &= \frac{3 \cdot 2}{4} = 1.5 \\ B_4/4! &= \frac{4 \cdot 3}{4} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Parameters of permutations

all can be handled in a similar manner





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Bivariate generating functions

are the method of choice in analyzing combinatorial parameters.

Definition. A *combinatorial class* is a set of combinatorial objects and an associated size function **that may have an associated parameter**.

Definition. The *bivariate generating function* (BGF) associated with a class is the formal power series

$$A(z, u) = \sum_{a \in A} \frac{z^{|a|}}{|a|!} u^{\text{cost}(a)} \quad (\text{labelled})$$

where **|a|** is the size and **cost(a)** is the value of the parameter.

Advantages of BGFs:

- Carry full information.
- Easy to compute counting sequence and CGF (see next slide).
- Full distribution often available via analytic combinatorics.

Basic BGF calculations

Definition. The *bivariate generating function* (BGF) associated with a labelled class

is the formal power series $A(z, u) = \sum_{a \in A} \frac{z^{|a|}}{|a|!} u^{\text{cost}(a)}$

z marks size.
 u marks the parameter.

Define A_{Nk} to be the number of elements of size N with parameter value k .

Fundamental (elementary) identity $A(z, u) = \sum_{a \in A} \frac{z^{|a|}}{|a|!} u^{\text{cost}(a)} = \sum_{N \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq 0} A_{Nk} \frac{z^N}{N!} u^k$

Q. How many objects of size N with value k ?

A. $N! [z^N] [u^k] A(z, u) = A_{Nk}$

Q. Average value of a parameter of a permutation ?

A. $[z^N] A_u(z, 1) \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial u} A(z, u) \Big|_{u=1}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u} A(z, u) = \sum_{N \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq 0} k A_{Nk} \frac{z^N}{N!} u^{k-1}$$

$$A_u(z, 1) \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial u} A(z, u) \Big|_{u=1} = \sum_{N \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq 0} k A_{Nk} \frac{z^N}{N!}$$

$$[z^N] A_u(z, 1) = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} A(z, u) \Big|_{u=1} = \sum_{k \geq 0} k \frac{A_{Nk}}{N!}$$

Review: Average number of cycles in a random permutation with CGFs

CGF.

$$B(z) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \text{cycles}(p) \frac{z^{|p|}}{|p|!} = \sum_{N \geq 0} B_N \frac{z^N}{N!}$$

Decompose.

$$= \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} ((|p| + 1) \text{cycles}(p) + 1) \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p| + 1)!}$$

Simplify.

$$= \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \text{cycles}(p) \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p|)!} + \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p| + 1)!}$$

Substitute.

$$= zB(z) + \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{z^{k+1}}{(k+1)} = zB(z) + \ln \frac{1}{1-z}$$

Solve.

$$B(z) = \frac{1}{1-z} \ln \frac{1}{1-z} \quad \leftarrow \text{OGF for the Harmonic numbers}$$

Expand.

$$[z^N]B(z) = \frac{B_N}{N!} = \underbrace{H_N}_{\text{average \# cycles in a random permutation}}$$

cumulated cost

Average number of cycles in a random permutation with BGFs

BGF.

$$B(z, u) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{z^{|p|}}{|p|!} u^{\text{cycles}(p)}$$

Apply construction .

$$= \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{z^{|p|+1}}{(|p|+1)!} (u^{\text{cycles}(p)+1} + |p| u^{\text{cycles}(p)})$$

Differentiate wrt z.

$$B_z(z, u) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{z^{|p|}}{(|p|)!} u^{\text{cycles}(p)+1} + \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{z^{|p|}}{(|p|)!} |p| u^{\text{cycles}(p)}$$

Substitute.

$$= uB(z, u) + zB_z(z, u)$$

Solve for $B_z(z, u)$.

$$B_z(z, u) = \frac{u}{1-z} B(z, u)$$

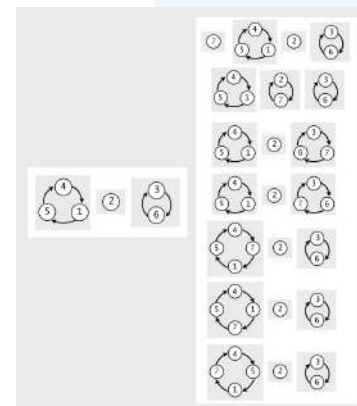
Solve ODE.

$$B(z, u) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^u}$$

Average number of cycles.

$$B_u(z, 1) = \frac{1}{1-z} \ln \frac{1}{1-z}$$

$$[z^N] B_u(z, 1) = H_N \quad \checkmark$$



Average number of cycles in a random permutation with **BGFs** and the **symbolic method**

Combinatorial class.

P , the class of all permutations

Construction.

$$P = SET(uCYC(Z))$$

BGF equation

$$P(z, u) = \exp\left(u \ln \frac{1}{1-z}\right) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^u}$$

immediate from
transfer theorem.

Average number of cycles.

$$P_u(z, 1) = \frac{1}{1-z} \ln \frac{1}{1-z}$$

$$[z^N]P_u(z, 1) = H_N \quad \checkmark$$

Bottom line: BGFs are the *method of choice* in analyzing parameters

Average number of cycles of a given size in a random permutation

Combinatorial class.

P , the class of all permutations

Construction.

$$P = SET(CYC_{\neq r} + uCYC_r(Z))$$

BGF equation

$$P(z, u) = e^{\ln \frac{1}{1-z} - \frac{z^r}{r} + \frac{uz^r}{r}}$$

immediate from
transfer theorem.

Average number of cycles.

$$P_u(z, 1) = \frac{z^r}{r} \frac{1}{1-z}$$

$$[z^N]P_u(z, 1) = \frac{1}{r} \quad \text{for } N \geq r \quad \checkmark$$

BGFs are the *method of choice* in analyzing parameters.

Many, many
examples to follow.
Stay tuned for Part 2



Stirling numbers of the first kind (cycle numbers)

Fundamental identity

$$P(z, u) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{z^{|p|}}{|p|!} u^{\text{cycles}(p)} = \sum_{N \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq 0} \begin{bmatrix} N \\ k \end{bmatrix} \frac{z^N}{N!} u^k = \frac{1}{(1-z)^u}$$

Distribution

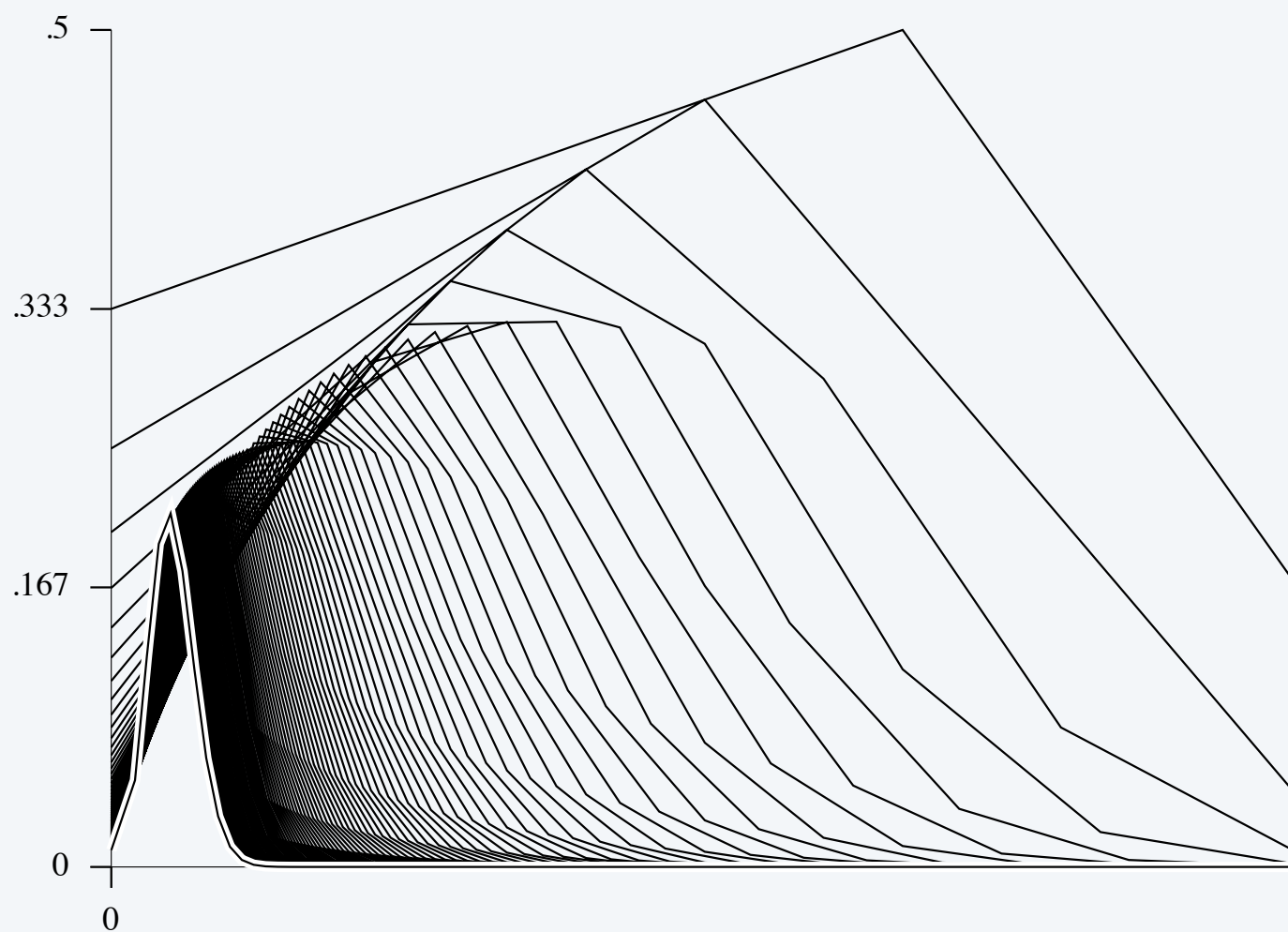
$$P(z, u) = \sum_{N \geq 0} u(u+1) \dots (u+N-1) \frac{z^N}{N!} \quad (\text{Taylor's theorem})$$

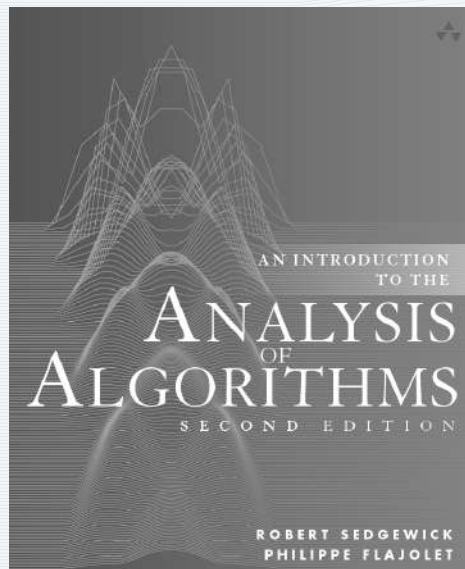
$[u^k] u(u+1)(u+2)(u+3) \rightarrow$

$N \searrow k \rightarrow$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	1						
2	1	1					
3	2	3	1				
4	6	11	6	1			
5	24	50	35	10	1		
6	120	274	225	85	15	1	

$$\begin{bmatrix} N \\ k \end{bmatrix}$$

Stirling numbers of the first kind (cycle numbers) distribution





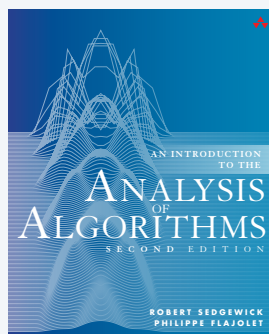
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Exercise 7.29

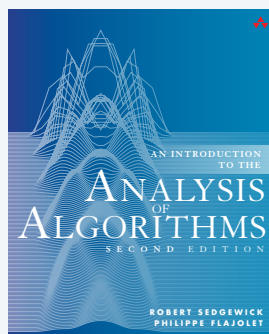
Arrangements.



Exercise 7.29 An *arrangement* of N elements is a sequence formed from a subset of the elements. Prove that the EGF for arrangements is $e^z/(1 - z)$. Express the coefficients as a simple sum and give a combinatorial interpretation of that sum.

Exercise 7.45

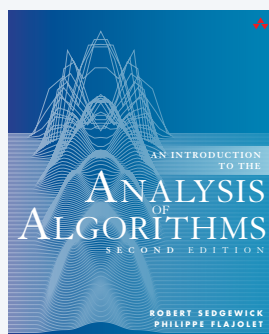
Inversions in involutions.



Exercise 7.45 Find the CGF for the total number of inversions in all involutions of length N . Use this to find the average number of inversions in an involution.

Exercise 7.61

Cycle length distribution.



Exercise 7.61 Use asymptotics from generating functions (see §5.5) or a direct argument to show that the probability for a random permutation to have j cycles of length k is asymptotic to the Poisson distribution $e^{-\lambda} \lambda^j / j!$ with $\lambda = 1/k$.

Assignments for next lecture

1. Read pages 345-413 in text.



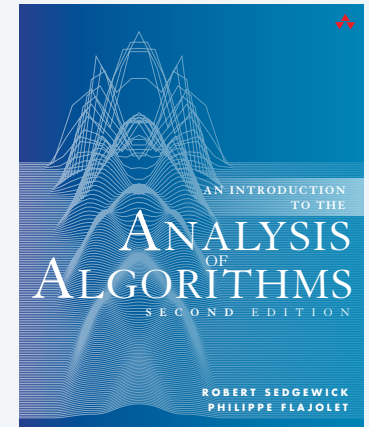
2. Run experiments to validate mathematical results.



Experiment 1. Generate 1000 random permutations for $N = 100$, 1000, and 10,000 and compare the average number of cycles and 1-cycles with the values predicted by analysis.

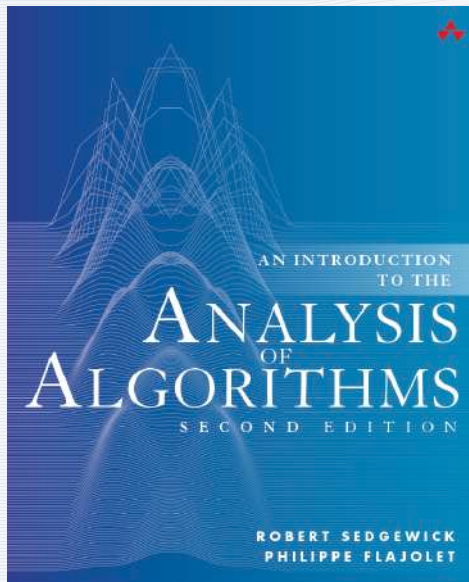
Experiment 2. *Extra credit.* Validate the results of Exercise 7.61 for $N = 1000$ and $k = 10$ by generating 10,000 random permutations and plotting the histogram of occurrences of cycles of length 10.

3. Write up solutions to Exercises 7.29, 7.45, and 7.61.



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