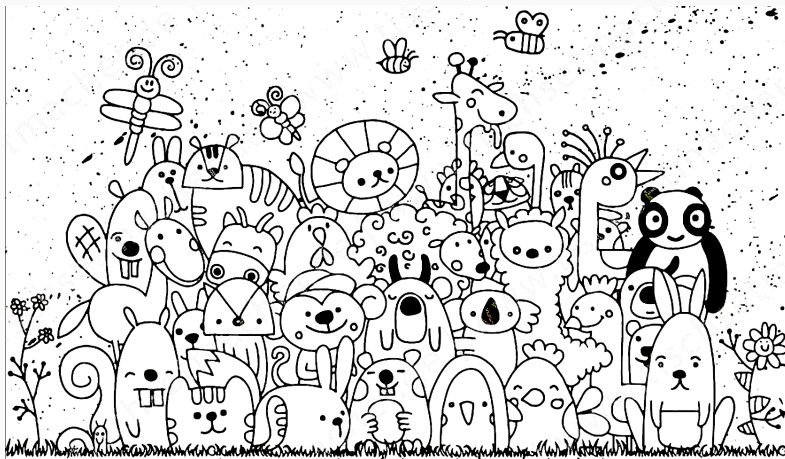


Hunting bears in random planar maps

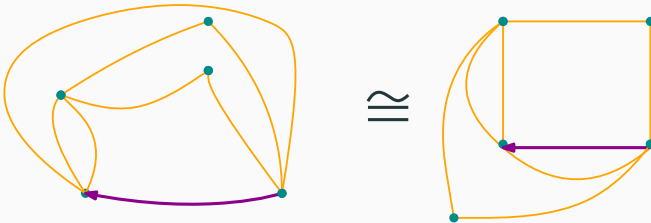
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Planar maps

Rooted planar maps with n edges

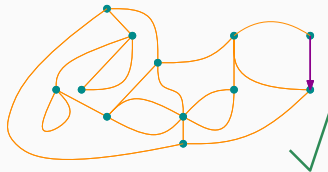
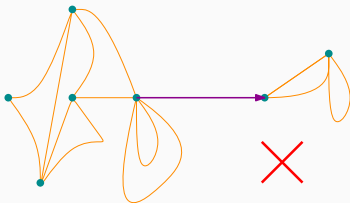
= connected graph with multiple edges and loops allowed
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Planar maps

Maps with simple boundaries

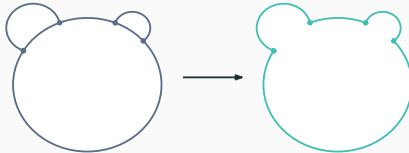
= maps with a boundary consisting of as many edges as vertices



Bears in planar maps

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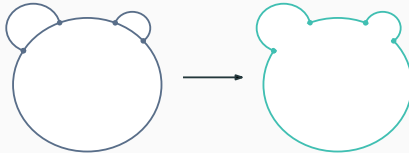
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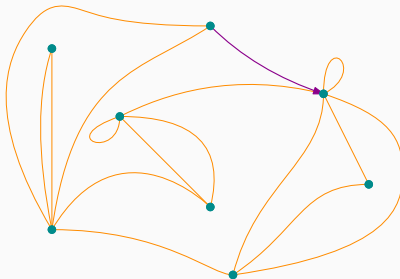
Bears have also *simple* boundaries.

Bears in planar maps

Some basic questions

How many bears do we expect in a uniformly at random chosen map with n edges?

Can we say something about the distribution of bear counts?



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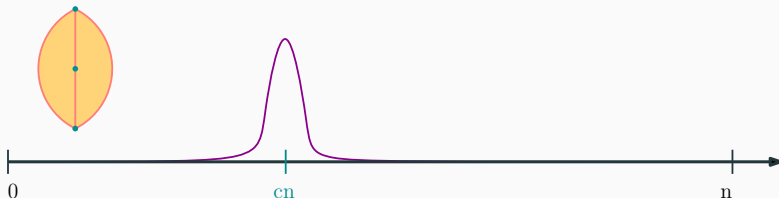
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Gao, Wormald, 2000

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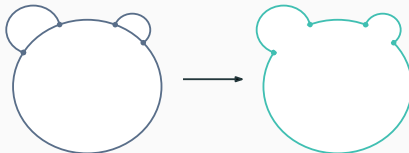
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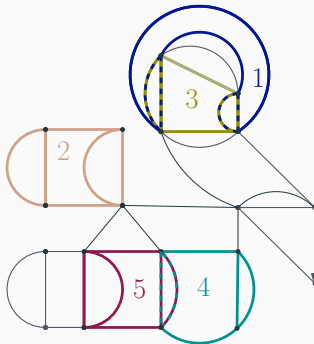
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Proof ideas: Main tool

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the number of maps on n edges with k labelled patterns (among arbitrary many).

\Rightarrow count maps
with $\geq k$ bears
and label k of them!



Proof ideas: Two steps

First important observation

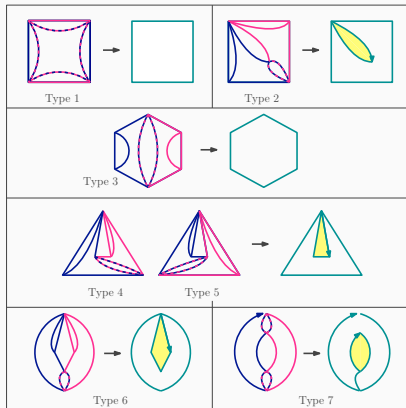
For large n ,
labelled bears are monogamous or confident singles!



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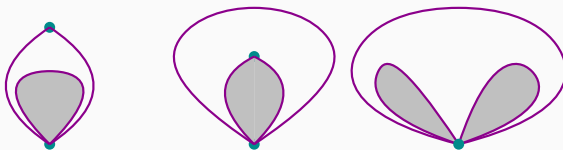
Only maps with single bears and pairs of bears contribute



Proof ideas: Two steps

A consequence of Drmota, Noy, Yu 2020

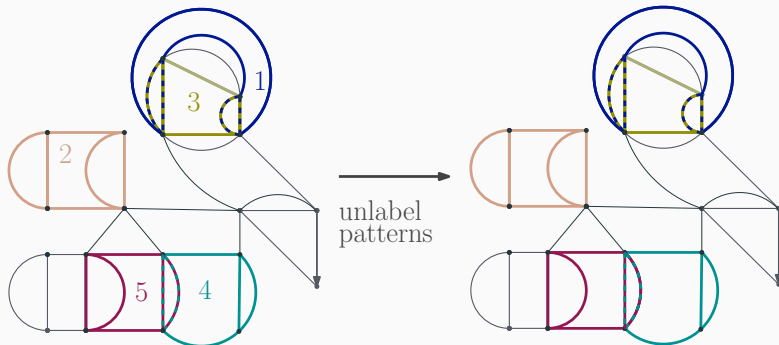
Let \mathcal{F} be a face of *specific shape*. Then the number of occurrences of \mathcal{F} in a random planar map satisfies a CLT.



Proof ideas: Two steps

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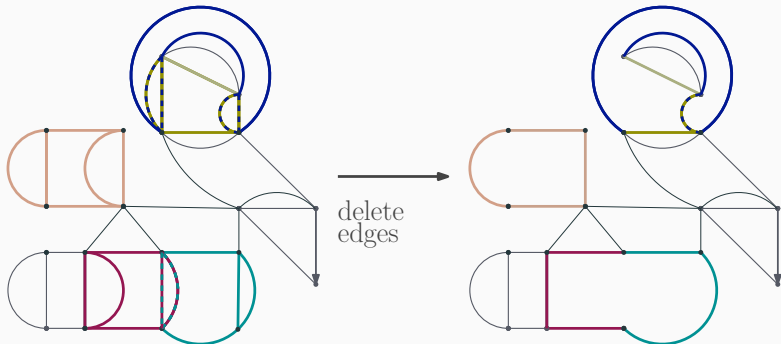
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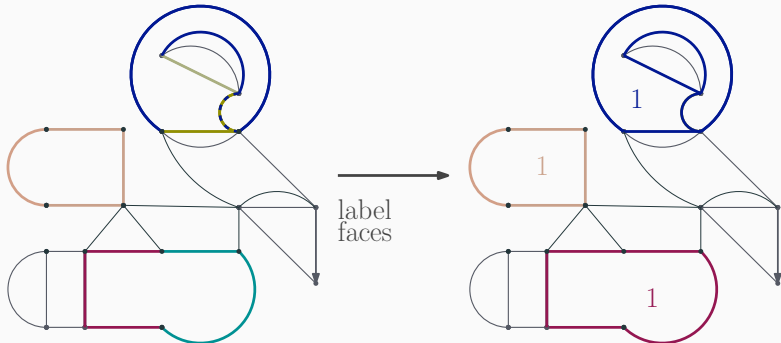
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The rest is just...

Again, we use (2.4), (2.5) and (3.2) such that obtain

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Now, it is straight forward to compute the variance by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{V}(X_n) &= \mathbb{E}(X_n(X_n - 1)) + \mathbb{E}(X_n) - \mathbb{E}(X_n)^2 \\ &= \frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)^2}{12^{2k}} n^2 + \left(\frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)g_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k}} + 2f_{\text{root}}(1) \frac{f_{\text{root}}(1)g_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k}} + d_k f_{\text{root}}(1) \frac{1}{12^{2k}} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{2r_i f_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k}} n \\ &\quad + \frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k}} n - \frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)^2}{12^{2k}} n^2 - \left(n + \frac{3d_k}{2} + \frac{8r_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k}} + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{12^{2k}} \left(\frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)g_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k}} n^2 - 2d_k f_{\text{root}}(1)^2 n + \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{2r_i f_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k}} n \right) n + O(1) \end{aligned}$$

5.5 Proof of Theorem 2. Analogously to Section 3 we compute the k -th factorial moment for which we hope to compute asymptotics of the same form as in Theorem 1 such that we can derive our main result as a direct consequence. Remember that the k -th factorial moment is the fraction of the number of maps on n edges with k labelled pattern occurrences of the total number of maps on n edges. Further, we hope to be able to restrict ourselves to count maps on n edges with k labelled pattern occurrences where each labelled pattern intersects with at most one other labelled pattern occurrence. As we have already seen for four patterns,

$$\mathbb{E}[X_n]_k = \frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} + \frac{n^{k-1}}{12^{2k}}$$

where n^{k-1} is the number of maps with k edges and k labelled pattern occurrence (among arbitrary many occurrences) and n^{k-1} is the subset of all such maps where each labelled pattern occurrence intersects at most one other labelled pattern occurrence.

For a map in \mathcal{M}_n^{k-1} let p_i be the number of pairs of intersecting labelled patterns with intersection type i and let s be the number of labelled pattern occurrences which do not intersect with any other. Of course it has to hold $s + 2\sum_{i=1}^k p_i = k$. Now instead of counting maps with n edges with a single labelled pattern and p_i intersecting pairs of labelled patterns of type i , $1 \leq i \leq k$, we unlabel the patterns and delete the d_i edges according to the rules set at the intersection type i . Thus, we end up with a map on $n - d_k - \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i$ edges and $i + 2\sum_{i=1}^k p_i$ faces which are marked by the intersection type which they contained. We already have counting variables for these faces in our functional equation in 4.1 such that we can easily compute that the number of

such maps is

$$\frac{n^{k-1} \log n - \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i}{d_k! p_1! \dots p_k!} = \left[x^{n-d_k-\sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i} \frac{1}{d_k! p_1! \dots p_k!} \mathcal{D}_{\text{root}} \mathcal{D}_{\text{root}} \dots \mathcal{D}_{\text{root}} M(x, X) \right]_{n-1}$$

where $p = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k)$. Note that it is easy to see that $f(1) = f(2) = \dots = f(d_k)$, the derivative of the generating function will give the falling factorial factor $f(1) \dots (f - \sum_{i=1}^k p_i + 1)$ before the coefficient counting maps with f faces and the factor $\prod_{i=1}^k (p_i + 1)$ can be interpreted as unlabelling the faces with p_i smallest labels and assigning them intersection type i , then unlabelling the next p_i faces and assigning them intersection type i and so on. Or we could think about unlabelling all $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i$ faces and then choosing from the marked faces the ones that end up in the respective intersection type. This would give of course the same factor of

$$\frac{1}{(\sum_{i=1}^k p_i)!} \left(\sum_{i=1}^k p_i \right) = \frac{1}{p_k! p_{k-1}! \dots p_1!}.$$

When we minsert the deleted edges, we have to multiply of course by the number of ways to do so and label the patterns in the end it is easy to see. Thus, we will get an extra factor of

$$k! d_k! d_1! \dots d_k!$$

which in total sums up to

$$\frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} = k! \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \frac{r^k \prod_{i=1}^k p_i}{i! p_1! \dots p_k!} \frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} + \frac{n^{k-1}}{12^{2k}}$$

where $D = d_k + \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i$. Consequently,

$$\frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} = k! \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{k} \rfloor} \frac{r^k \prod_{i=1}^k p_i}{(k-2D)! p_1! \dots p_k!} \frac{n^{k-1} \log n - d_k - \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i}{12^{2k}} + \frac{n^{k-1}}{12^{2k}}$$

$$= k! \frac{r^k}{12^{2k}} \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{k} \rfloor} \frac{r^k \prod_{i=1}^k p_i}{(k-2D)! p_1! \dots p_k!} (1)^{k-2D} \left(\prod_{i=1}^k f_{\text{root}}(1)^{p_i} \right) \left(n - d_k - \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i \right) \frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} + \frac{n^{k-1}}{12^{2k}}$$

where $p = (k - 2D, p_1, \dots, p_k)$ and $(\sum_{i=1}^k p_i) + 1 = \frac{k-1}{k} \log n$. Note that Lemma 3 actually gives an expression with (x, D, V) in the exponential function, where $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k)$ and v_i is the sum of all p_j with $d_j(i) = i$ while $(D, V) = \frac{k-1}{k} \log n$. However it is easy to see by elementary computations that we can expand the expression to $(\frac{k-1}{k} \log n)$.

Next, we factor out the main asymptotic term of r^k which has already appeared in the sum.

$$\frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} = \left(\frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1) n}{12^{2k}} \right) \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{k} \rfloor} \frac{r^k \prod_{i=1}^k p_i}{12^{2k} (k-2D)! p_1! \dots p_k!} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right) \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)}{(n-2D)! f_{\text{root}}(1)^{p_i}} e^{\left(\frac{k-1}{k} \log n \right) p_i} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{D}{n}\right) \right)$$

In the next step we rewrite

$$(p, D) = k^2 \frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)}{f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} + \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i$$

where q_i is according to the calculation done in P and Q (without mixed terms). Hence,

$$\exp \left(\frac{1}{2(n-D)} \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i \right) = \prod_{i=1}^k \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right)^{p_i}.$$

Further we factor out more terms independent of any p_i and since $D = O(n)$, the above simplifies to

$$\frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} = \left(\frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k} f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} \right)^k \exp \left(\frac{k^2 f_{\text{root}}(1)}{2n f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} \right) \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{k} \rfloor} \frac{1}{12^{2k} (k-2D)! p_1! \dots p_k!} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right)^k \prod_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)}{n f_{\text{root}}(1)^2} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right) \right)^{p_i}$$

By now, we can see a pattern emerge reminiscent of the product of several exponential sums. In fact, we notice that only the terms with $D = d_k$ are asymptotically relevant because of the $k!$ in the denominator and we may therefore use the asymptotic $\frac{1}{2(n-D)} = k^{1/2} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right)$ and

$$\left(1 - \frac{d_k(k-2D)}{n} + \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{d_i p_i}{n} \right)^k = \exp \left(-\frac{d_k k}{n} \right) \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right)$$

such that we finally obtain the desired form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}} &= \left(\frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k} f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} \right)^k \exp \left(\frac{k^2}{2n} \left(\frac{f_{\text{root}}(1)}{f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} - 2d_k \right) \right) \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}_k} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{k} \rfloor} \frac{1}{p_1! \dots p_k!} \left(\frac{k^2 \exp(-d_k k)}{n f_{\text{root}}(1)^2} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right) \right)^n \\ &= \left(\frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1)}{12^{2k} f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} \right)^k \exp \left(\frac{k^2}{2n} \left(\frac{f_{\text{root}}(1)}{f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} - 2d_k + 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{d_i p_i}{n} \right) \right) \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right) \\ &= (n!)^k \exp \left(\frac{k^2}{2n} \left(\frac{f_{\text{root}}(1)}{f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1)} - 2d_k + 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{d_i p_i}{n} \right) \right) \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now, by Lemma 4 we can conclude that

$$\mathbb{E}[X_n]_k = \frac{n^{k-1} \log n}{12^{2k}}$$

and indeed, by Lemma 5, the expression in the exponential function equals exactly the desired

$$\frac{k^2}{2} \frac{r^2 - p_k}{p_k^2} = \frac{k^2}{2} \frac{r f_{\text{root}}(1) f_{\text{root}}(1) - 2d_k r f_{\text{root}}(1)^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^k d_i p_i r f_{\text{root}}(1)^2}{r f_{\text{root}}(1)^2} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right)$$

such that

$$\mathbb{E}[X_n]_k = r^k \exp \left(\frac{k^2}{2} \frac{r^2 - p_k}{p_k^2} \right)$$

and Theorem 1 finally yields Theorem 2.

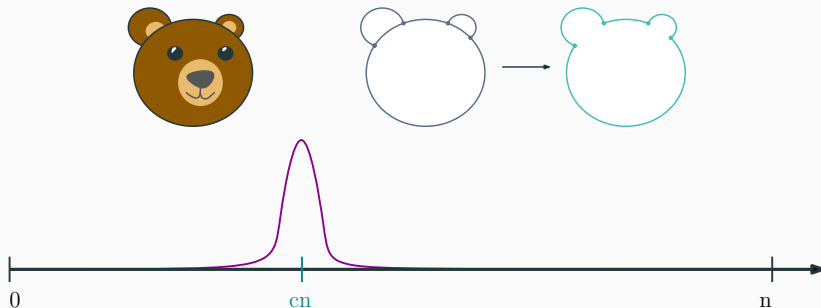
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Thank you for the attention :)