# **INTRODUCTION TO RANDOM TREES AND THEIR LOCAL LIMITS**



# TREES ARE CONNECTED (SIMPLE) GRAPHS WITHOUT CYCLES



# MODELS

- Combinatorial classes of trees
- Trees with given degree sequences
- Branching processes
- Spanning trees

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## SAMPLING

- Various Open Source Projects github.com/BenediktStufler/
- Visualizations and interactive 3d models: <u>dmg.tuwien.ac.at/stufler/gal.html</u>

# SHAPE ANALYSIS

- Additive parameters (subtree counts, degree sequence, ...)
- Extremal parameters (diameter, maximal degree, ...)
- Limits (local limits, scaling limits)

### UNIFORM ROOTED TREE ON A FIXED N-ELEMENT VERTEX SET: N=50



Simulation: GRANT (Generate RANdom Trees), available here: <u>http://github.com/BenediktStufler/grant</u>

### UNIFORM ROOTED TREE ON A FIXED N-ELEMENT VERTEX SET: N=500K



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### UNIFORM ROOTED TREE ON A FIXED N-ELEMENT VERTEX SET: N =1M



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### **UNIFORM ROOTED TREE ON A FIXED N-ELEMENT VERTEX SET**

Enumeration

$$n^{n-1} \sim (2\pi)^{-\frac{1}{2}} n^{-\frac{3}{2}} e^n n!$$

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- Efficient sampler expected time O(n)
- Additive parameters

$$\left(d_k(T_n) - \frac{n}{(k-1)!e}\right) n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \to \mathcal{N}(0,\sigma_k)$$

$$\Delta(T_n) = \frac{\log n}{\log \log n} (1 + o_p(1)),$$
$$H(T_n) / \sqrt{n} \to 2 \max_{0 \le t \le 1} e(t)$$

• Structural limits

Local: Kesten's tree Global: Brownian continuum random tree

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# **MODELS OF UNORDERED TREES**

- Trees: labelled rooted/unrooted unordered
- Pólya trees: unlabelled rooted unordered
- Free trees: unlabelled unrooted unordered



# **MODELS OF ORDERED TREES**

- Planted <u>plane trees</u>: unlabelled rooted linearly ordered
- Rooted plane trees: unlabelled rooted cyclically ordered
- Unrooted plane trees: unlabelled unrooted cyclically ordered



## **PROBABILISTIC MODELS OF TREES**

- Combinatorial trees with weights. For example, simply generated trees
  - $(\omega_k)_{k\geq 0}$  sequence of non-negative weights

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$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{T}_n = T) \propto \prod_{v \in T} \omega_{d_T^+(v)}$$
 for  $T$  an  $n$ -vertex plane tree

Associated graphs like looptrees



- Associated processes:
  - $v_1, v_2, \dots$  vertices in depth-first-search order
  - $H_k$  = height of  $v_k$ , k = 1, 2, ... the height process

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$$W_k = \sum_{i=1}^k (d_T^+(v_i) - 1), \ k = 1, 2, ...$$
 the Łukaszewicz path









## **UNIFORM SPANNING TREES**



## UNIFORM SPANNING TREE OF UNIFORM PLANAR MAP WITH 1M EDGES



### UNIFORM SPANNING TREE OF UNIFORM PLANAR MAP WITH 10K EDGES



#### **UNIFORM SPANNING TREE OF UNIFORM PLANAR MAP WITH 100K EDGES**



#### **UNIFORM SPANNING TREE OF UNIFORM PLANAR MAP WITH 500K EDGES**



## UNIFORM SPANNING TREE OF UNIFORM PLANAR MAP WITH 1M EDGES



# **UNIFORM SPANNING TREE OF UNIFORM PLANAR MAPS**

h(n) the average height of simulations of UST of uniform planar map with n edges.

 $\alpha(n) = \log(\frac{h(10n)}{h(n)})/\log n$  so that if  $h(n) \sim cn^{\alpha}$  then  $\alpha(n) \to \alpha$ .

n	10^3	10^4	10^5	10^6	10^7	10^8
h(n)	31.2812	93.8020	273.9275	792.7325	2285.815	6585.556
alpha(n)	<b>0.4</b> 76927	<b>0.4</b> 65423	<b>0.4</b> 6 49	<b>0.459</b> 9 4	<b>0.459</b> 551	
Knizhnik-Polyakov-Zamolodchikov (KPZ) formula predicts: $\alpha = \frac{5 - \sqrt{10}}{4} = 0.4594305$						

(Many thanks to Nathanaël Berestycki for explaining this to me)

# **APPLICATIONS OF RANDOM TREES**

- Tree-structures are part of many algorithms in computer science
- Trees appear in combinatorial encodings of other discrete structures



**Bouttier-Di Francesco-Guitter bijection for planar maps** 

# **APPLICATIONS OF RANDOM TREES**



**Random simple triangulation with 1M triangles** 

#### **INTRODUCTION: APPLICATIONS**



Simulation: SIMTRIA (Generate SIMple TRIAngulations): <u>http://github.com/BenediktStufler/simtria</u>, SCENT (Calculate closeness centrality): <u>http://github.com/BenediktStufler/scent</u>

**INTRODUCTION: APPLICATIONS** 

# **APPLICATIONS OF RANDOM TREES**



# LOCAL DISTANCE

#### $\mathfrak{M}$ = collection of vertex-rooted locally finite connected unlabelled graphs

 $p_k: \mathfrak{M} \to \mathfrak{M}$  projection to k-neighbourhood of the root vertex



$$d_{\rm loc}(G,H) = \frac{1}{1 + \sup\{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 | p_k(G) = p_k(H)\}\}}$$

 $(\mathfrak{M}, d_{|OC})$  is a Polish space

# LOCAL CONVERGENCE

View random trees, graphs, or maps rooted at some specified vertex as random elements of this space.

What can we say about convergence and limit objects?

Let's move to the blackboard!

# Thanks for your attention.

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