# THE SUBTREE SIZE PROFILE OF PLANE-ORIENTED RECURSIVE TREES

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Subtree Size Profile: mainly studied for binary trees and increasing trees.

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• Contains information about occurrences of patterns.

Important in many fields such as Computer Science (compressing, etc.), Mathematical Biology (phylogenetics), etc.

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Equivalent to random binary search tree.

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#### Importance of the Random Models

#### • Random Binary Trees

Binary search tree, Quicksort, Yule-Harding Model in Phylogenetics, Coalescent Model, etc.

#### • Random Recursive Trees

Simple model for spread of epidemics, for pyramid schemes, for stemma construction of philology, etc. Also, used in computational geometry and in Hopf algebras.

#### Random PORTs

One of the simplest network models (for instance for WWW).

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Similar result holds for random recursive trees as well.

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On the other hand, our result shows:

- Pattern sizes occur until  $o(\sqrt{n})$ .
- Pattern sizes sporadically exist around  $\sqrt{n}$ .
- Patterns with sizes beyond  $\sqrt{n}$  are unlikely.

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Hence, if all pattern sizes up to  $k_0$  exist, then

$$\Theta(k_0^2) = \sum_{k \le k_0} k \le T_n = \Theta(n \log n).$$

Thus, pattern sizes beyond  $\sqrt{n\log n}$  are very unlikely.

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### Theorem (F.)

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where  $\mu = 1/(2k^2)$  and

$$\sigma^{2} = \frac{8k^{2} - 4k - 8}{(4k^{2} - 1)^{2}} - \frac{(2k - 3)!!^{2}}{(k - 1)!^{2}4^{k - 1}k(2k + 1)}$$

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Asymptotics of centered moments via induction ("moment-pumping").

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## Singularity Analysis

Consider

$$\Delta = \{z \ : \ |z| < r, \ z \neq 1/2, \ |\arg(z - 1/2)| > \varphi\},\$$

where r > 1 and  $0 < \varphi < \pi/2$ .

Theorem (Flajolet and Odlyzko) (i) For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, -1, -2, \cdots\}$  $[z^n](1-2z)^{-\alpha} \sim \frac{2^n n^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2n} + \cdots\right).$ 

(ii) Let f(z) be analytic in  $\Delta$ . Then,

$$f(z) = \mathcal{O}\left((1-2z)^{-\alpha}\right) \quad \Rightarrow \quad [z^n]f(z) = \mathcal{O}\left(2^n n^{\alpha-1}\right).$$

## **Closure Properties**

#### Theorem

Let f(z) be analytic in  $\Delta$  with

$$f(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{J} c_j (1-2z)^{\alpha_j} + \mathcal{O}\left((1-2z)^A\right),$$

where  $\alpha_j, A \neq 1$ . Then,  $\int_0^z f(t) dt$  is analytic in  $\Delta$  and (i) if A > -1, then for some explicit c

$$\int_0^z f(t) dt = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^J \frac{c_j}{\alpha_j + 1} (1 - 2z)^{\alpha_j + 1} + c + \mathcal{O}\left((1 - 2z)^{A+1}\right);$$

(ii) if A < -1, then as above but without c.

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