

Integro-differential Algebras of Combinatorial species

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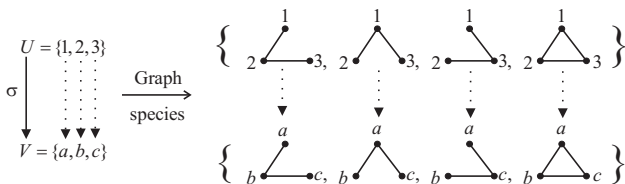
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An example

- ▶ Let U be a finite set. Denote by $\mathcal{G}[U]$ the set of all simple connected graphs $g = (\gamma, U)$ (i.e., undirected graphs without loops or multiple edges) on U , where γ is the edge set.
- ▶ Each bijection $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$ induces a function (bijection) $\mathcal{G}[\sigma] : \mathcal{G}[U] \rightarrow \mathcal{G}[V]$. Then \mathcal{G} is called the **graph species**.
- ▶ For example, let $U = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $V = \{a, b, c\}$.



The definition of species

- ▶ The concept of structure is fundamental, recurring in all branches of mathematics, as well as in computer science.
- ▶ Informally, a species is a class of finite structures on arbitrary finite sets which is closed under arbitrary “relabellings” along bijections.
- ▶ Formally, A (plane) species of structures is a rule F which
 1. produces, for each finite set U , a finite set $F[U]$,
 2. produces, for each bijection $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$, a function $F[\sigma] : F[U] \rightarrow F[V]$.

The functions $F[\sigma]$ should further satisfy the following functorial properties:

- (i) for all bijections $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$ and $\tau : V \rightarrow W$,

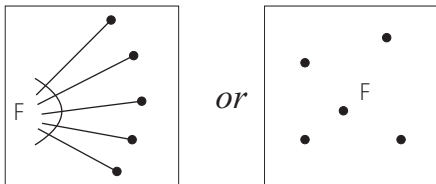
$$F[\sigma \circ \tau] = F[\sigma] \circ F[\tau]. \quad (1)$$

- (ii) for the identity map $\text{id}_U : U \rightarrow U$,

$$F[\text{id}_U] = \text{id}_{F[U]}. \quad (2)$$

The definition of structure

- ▶ (A. Joyal 1981) In categorical terms, a species is a functor from the category of finite sets to the category of finite sets, where the morphisms are bijections.
- ▶ The following is a drawing of an F -structure, where the block dots represent the elements in the underlying set U and the circular arc labeled F represent the F -structure.



- ▶ An element $s \in F[U]$ is called an F -structure on U .
- ▶ The function $F[\sigma]$ is called the transport of F -structures along σ .

Some examples

- ▶ Let U be a finite set. In each of the following cases, the transport of structures $F[\sigma]$ is obvious.
- ▶ The empty species, denoted by 0 , defined by $0[U] = \emptyset$ for all U .
- ▶ The species 1 , characteristic of the empty set, defined by

$$1[U] := \begin{cases} \{U\} & \text{if } U = \emptyset, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ The species E_n with $n \geq 1$, characteristic of sets of cardinality n , defined by

$$E_n[U] := \begin{cases} \{U\} & \text{if } |U| = n, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In particular, write $X := E_1$, characteristic of singletons.

Some examples

- ▶ The set species E , defined by $E[U] := \{U\}$. For each finite set U , there is a unique E -structure, namely the set U itself.
- ▶ The tree species α , defined by

$$\alpha[U] = \{\text{all trees on } U\}.$$

- ▶ The cyclic species C , defined by

$$C[U] = \{\text{all oriented cycles on } U\}.$$

- ▶ The linear order species L , defined by

$$L[U] = \{\text{all linear orders on } U\}.$$

- ▶ The permutation species \mathfrak{S} , defined by

$$\mathfrak{S}[U] = \{\text{all permutations on } U\}.$$

The combinatorial equality of species

- ▶ In categorical terms, **an isomorphism of species** is an invertible natural transformation of functors.
- ▶ Let F and G be two species of structures. An isomorphism of F to G is a family of bijections $\varphi_U : F[U] \rightarrow G[U]$ which satisfies the following naturality condition: For any bijection $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$ between two finite sets, the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F[U] & \xrightarrow{\varphi_U} & G[U] \\ F[\sigma] \downarrow & & G[\sigma] \downarrow \\ F[V] & \xrightarrow{\varphi_V} & G[V] \end{array}$$

- ▶ Two isomorphic species essentially possess the "same" combinatorial properties. Henceforth they will be considered as equal in the combinatorial algebra developed in the following.
- ▶ Thus we write $F = G$ to indicate that F and G are isomorphic.

The sum operator

- ▶ Let F and G be two species of structures. The species $F + G$, called the sum of F and G , is defined as follows:
- ▶ For any finite set U , one has

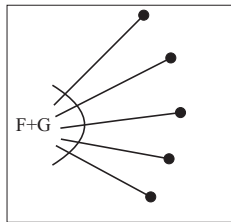
$$(F + G)[U] := F[U] + G[U], \quad (\text{disjoint union}).$$

- ▶ The transport along a bijection $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$ is carried out by setting, for any $(F + G)$ -structure s on U , one has

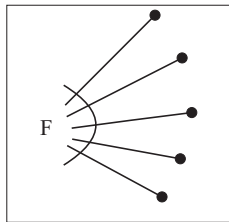
$$(F + G)[\sigma](s) := \begin{cases} F[\sigma](s) & \text{if } s \in F[U], \\ G[\sigma](s) & \text{if } s \in G[U]. \end{cases}$$

The illustration of the sum operator

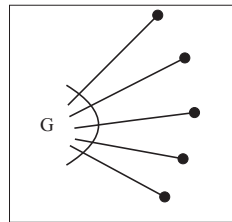
- ▶ A $(F + G)$ -structure can be represented as:



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or



A remark of the sum

- ▶ It is possible that $F[U] \cap G[U] \neq \emptyset$. For example, let F be the graph species and G be the tree species.
- ▶ If $F[U] \cap G[U] \neq \emptyset$, then $F[U] + G[U]$ is still the disjoint union. To obtain this, we must at first form distinct copies of the sets $F[U]$ and $G[U]$. A standard way of distinguishing the F -structures from the G -structures is to replace the set $F[U]$ by the isomorphic set $F[U] \times \{1\}$ and $G[U]$ by $G[U] \times \{2\}$, and to set

$$(F + G)[U] := (F[U] \times \{1\}) \sqcup (G[U] \times \{2\}).$$

Some properties of the sum operator

- ▶ Recall $(F + G)[U] = F[U] + G[U]$.
- ▶ The operation of sum is commutative and associative, up to isomorphism, that is,

$$F + G = G + H \text{ and } (F + G) + H = F + (G + H).$$

- ▶ The empty species 0 is a neutral element for the operation of sum:

$$F + 0 = 0 + F = F$$

for all species F .

Extend the sum operator to summable family

- ▶ A family $(F_i)_{i \in I}$ of species is said to be **summable** if for each finite set U , $F_i[U] = \emptyset$ except for finitely many indices $i \in I$. The sum of a summable family $(F_i)_{i \in I}$ is denoted by $\sum_{i \in I} F_i$.
- ▶ For example, the family $(E_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is summable. Recall E_n is the species characteristic of sets of cardinality n with $n \geq 0$:

$$E_n[U] := \begin{cases} \{U\} & \text{if } |U| = n, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ $E = E_0 + E_1 + E_2 + \dots$, where E is the set species: Let U be a finite set U and suppose $|U| = n$. Then we have $E[U] = \{U\}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & (E_0 + E_1 + E_2 + \dots)[U] \\ &= E_0[U] + E_1[U] + E_2[U] + \dots + E_n[U] + \dots = E_n[U] = \{U\}. \end{aligned}$$

Extend the sum operator to summable family

- ▶ In general, for any species F , we have

$$F = F_0 + F_1 + F_2 + \cdots ,$$

where F_n is the species F restricted to cardinality n , $n \geq 0$. More precisely,

$$F_n[U] = \begin{cases} F[U], & \text{if } |U| = n, \\ \emptyset, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The product operator

- ▶ Let F and G be two species of structures. The product of F and G , denote by $F \cdot G$ or FG , is defined as follows:
- ▶ For any finite set U

$$(FG)[U] := \sum_{U_1+U_2=U} F[U_1] \times G[U_2], \quad (\text{cartisian product of sets})$$

where the disjoint sum being taken over all pairs (U_1, U_2) forming a decomposition of U .

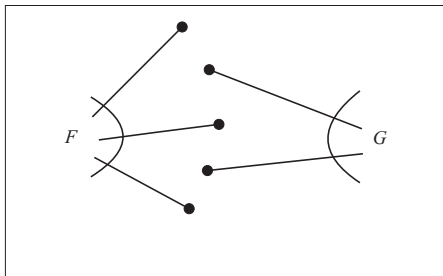
- ▶ The transport $(FG)[\sigma]$ along a bijection $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$ is natural. More precisely, for each (FG) -structure $s = (f, g)$ on U ,

$$(FG)[\sigma](s) := (F[\sigma_1](f), G[\sigma_2](g)), \quad (3)$$

where $\sigma_1 := \sigma|_{U_1}$ and $\sigma_2 := \sigma|_{U_2}$ are the restriction of σ on U_1 and U_2 , respectively.

The transport of the product operator

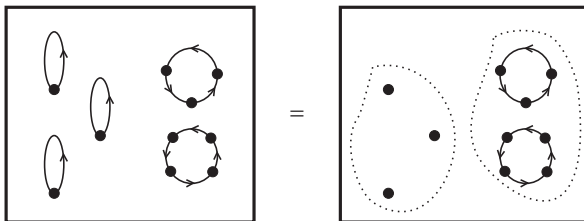
- ▶ In a pictorial fashion, any FG -structure can be represented as:



- ▶ Informally, an (FG) -structure is an ordered pair formed by an F -structure and a G -structure over complementary disjoint subsets.

An example of the product operator

- ▶ Let \mathcal{S} be the permutation species and Der be the derangement species (the permutation without fixed points). Then $\mathcal{S} = E \cdot \text{Der}$.



Some properties of the product operator

- ▶ The product of species is associative and commutative up to isomorphism:

$$F \cdot G = G \cdot F \text{ and } (F \cdot G) \cdot H = F \cdot (G \cdot H).$$

- ▶ The product admits the species 1 as neutral element, and the species 0 as absorbing element, i.e.,

$$1F = F1 = F \text{ and } 0F = F0 = 0.$$

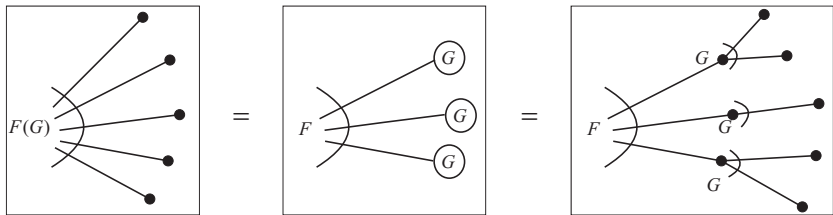
- ▶ The operator of product distributes over the operation of sum, that is,

$$F(G + H) = FG + FH.$$

- ▶ So the set of species is a **semi-ring** under the operations of sum and product.

The operator of substitution

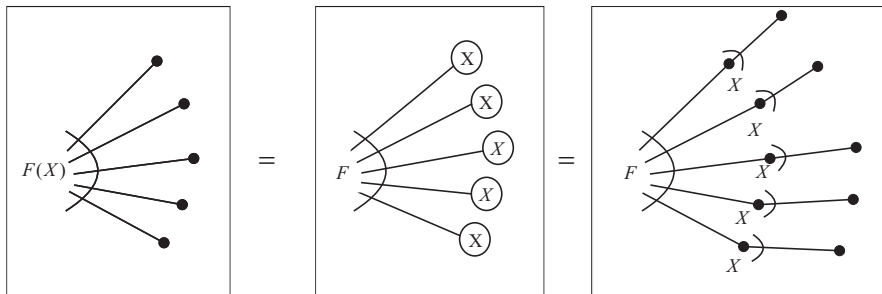
- ▶ The substitution of G in F , denoted by $F \circ G$ or $F(G)$, is a little bit complicated. Intuitively, an $F(G)$ -structure is an F -assembly of disjoint G -structures:



An example of the operator of substitution

- ▶ Note that $F \circ X = F(X) = F$ for any species F . Recall $X := E_1$ is the species characteristic of singletons:

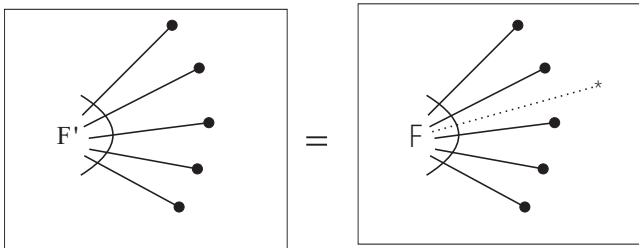
$$X[U] := \begin{cases} \{U\} & \text{if } |U| = 1, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



The derivative operator

- ▶ Let $F = F(X)$ be a species of structures. The species F' (also denoted by dF or $\frac{d}{dX}F(X)$) called the derivative of F , is defined as follows:
- ▶ An F' -structure on U is an F -structure on $U^* := U \cup \{*\}$, where $*$ is a element chosen outside of U . In other words, for any finite set U , one sets

$$F'[U] := F[U^*], \quad \text{where } U^* := U + \{*\}.$$



- ▶ The point $*$ is different from the points in the set U . We can image $*$ as a virtual point and elements in U as real points.

The derivative operator

- ▶ The transport along a bijection $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$ is carried out by setting, for any F' -structure s on U ,

$$F'[\sigma](s) := F[\sigma^*](s),$$

where $\sigma^* : U + \{*\} \rightarrow V + \{*\}$ is the canonical extension of σ obtained by setting

$$\sigma^*(u) := \sigma(u) \text{ if } u \in U \text{ and } \sigma^*(*) := *.$$

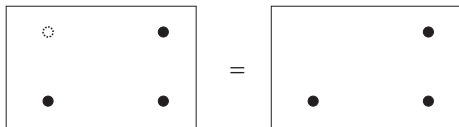
- ▶ Up to isomorphism, the derivation of species satisfies additivity and Leibniz rule, i.e.,

$$(F + G)' = F' + G' \text{ and } (FG)' = F'G + FG'.$$

- ▶ The operator d is called the combinatorial differential operator.

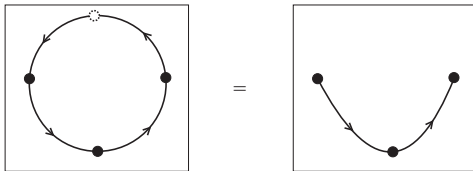
Examples of the derivative operator

- ▶ We decompose the process of derivation $F'[U]$ to the following three steps:
 1. Add the point $*$ to the set U , that is, $U^* = U \cup \{*\}$;
 2. Form the structures $F[U^*]$. In this step, take the point $*$ as a real point temporarily;
 3. Take out the point $*$ from the structures in $F[U^*]$, because the point $*$ is indeed a virtual point.
- ▶ $(E_n)' = E_{n-1}$ for any $n \geq 1$. For example, $E_4' = E_3$:
for any finite set U with $|U| \neq 3$, we have $E_4'[U] = E_4[U^*] = \emptyset = E_3[U]$, and for U with $|U| = 3$, we have



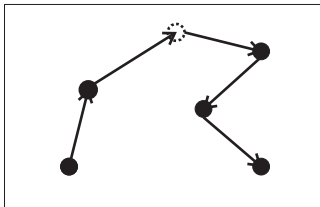
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- ▶ $(C_n)' = L_{n-1} = X^{n-1}$ for any $n \geq 3$, where C_n is the n -cycle species (i.e. the cycle species C restrict to cardinality n) and L_{n-1} is the $(n-1)$ -linear order species (i.e. the linear species L restrict to cardinality $n-1$).
- ▶ For example, $(C_4)' = L_3$: for any finite set U with $|U| \neq 3$, we have $C_4'[U] = C_4[U^*] = \emptyset = L_3[U]$, and for U with $|U| = 3$, we have

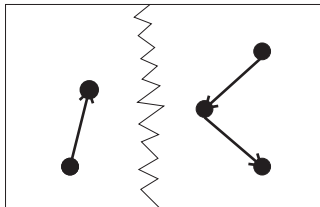


Examples of the derivative operator

► $L' = L^2$:



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Combinatorial differential constant

- ▶ A **combinatorial differential constant** is a species $K = K(X)$ such that $K'(X) = 0$.
- ▶ There are plenty of “non constant” combinatorial differential constants. For example, $K = K(X) := 3 + X^5 - 5C_5$, as

$$K'(X) = (3 + X^5 - 5C_5)' = 0 + 5X^4 - 5X^4 = 0,$$

where C_5 is the 5-cycle species.

- ▶ Another example of combinatorial differential constant is $K = K(X) := X^2 - 2E_2$, as

$$K' = (X^2 - 2E_2)' = 2X - 2E_1 = 2X - 2X = 0.$$

- ▶ **Question:** Characterize the combinatorial differential constant.

The virtual species

- ▶ To introduce the concept of the integral operator, we need the subtraction of species, that is, the concept of virtual species.
- ▶ The situation is analogous to the case of semi-ring \mathbb{N} of natural numbers for which the subtraction is not everywhere defined.
- ▶ More precisely, a virtual species is an element of the quotient

$$\text{Virt} := \text{Spec} \times \text{Spec} / \sim,$$

where \sim is defined by

$$(F, G) \sim (H, K) \Leftrightarrow F + K = G + H.$$

Write

$$F - G := \text{the class of } (F, G) \text{ according to } \sim.$$

- ▶ We have the semi-ring embedding: Species \hookrightarrow Virtual Species via $F \mapsto F - 0$.

The Joyal integral operator

- ▶ For a virtual species Φ , write $\Phi^{(n)} := d^n(\Phi)$ for the n -th derivation of Φ .
- ▶ **Theorem**(A. Joyal 1985) Every virtual species $\Phi = \Phi(X)$ has an integral $J_E(\Phi(X))$ such that $J_E(\Phi(0)) = 0$ defined by,

$$J_E(\Phi(X)) := J_E(\Phi) := E_1\Phi - E_2\Phi' + E_3\Phi^{(2)} + \dots$$

- ▶ **Proof.** Want: $(J_E(\Phi))' = \Phi$. Differentiate term by term to obtain “telescopic” cancellation:

$$\begin{aligned}(J_E(\Phi))' &= (E_1\Phi)' - (E_2\Phi')' + (E_3\Phi'')' + \dots \\ &= \Phi + E_1\Phi' - E_1\Phi' - E_2\Phi^{(2)} + E_2\Phi^{(2)} + E_3\Phi^{(3)} + \dots \\ &= \Phi\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Call J_E the Joyal integral operator.

Combinatorial differential tower

- ▶ To introduce other kind of integrals of virtual species, we need the concept of combinatorial differential tower.
- ▶ A **combinatorial differential tower** is a species $T = T(X)$ such that $T'(X) = T(X)$ and $T(0) = 1$.
- ▶ There are plenty of combinatorial differential towers. For example,

$$E(X) = 1 + X + E_2(X) + \cdots + E_n(X) + \cdots$$

$$e^X = 1 + \frac{X}{1!} + \frac{X^2}{2!} + \cdots + \frac{X^n}{n!} + \cdots$$

- ▶ Every combinatorial differential tower $T = T_0 + T_1 + \cdots + T_n + \cdots$ is characterized by $T_0 = 1$ and $T'_n = T_{n-1}$ for $n \geq 1$.

Variant of Joyal integral

- ▶ **Theorem** Let $T = T_0 + T_1 + \cdots + T_n + \cdots$ be any given combinatorial differential tower. Then every integral J of a virtual species $\Phi = \Phi(X)$ can be written in the form

$$J(\Phi) := J(\Phi(X)) := K(X) + J_T(\Phi(X)),$$

where $K(X)$ is a combinatorial differential constant and

$$\begin{aligned} & J_T(\Phi(X)) \\ & := T_1(X)\Phi(X) - T_2(X)\Phi'(X) + \cdots + (-1)^{n-1} T_n(X)\Phi^{(n-1)}(X) + \cdots \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ If taking $T = E$, then J_T is precisely the Joyal integral.

Integro-differential algebra

- ▶ A (commutative) **integro-differential algebra of weight λ** is a differential \mathbf{k} -algebra (R, D) of weight λ together with a linear operator $\Pi: R \rightarrow R$ satisfying the section axiom $D \circ \Pi = \text{id}_R$ and the hybrid/differential Rota-Baxter axiom

$$\Pi(D(x)\Pi(y)) = x\Pi(y) - \Pi(xy) - \lambda\Pi(D(x)y), \quad x, y \in R.$$

- ▶ The hybrid Rota-Baxter axiom implies the Rota-Baxter axiom: Let $x = \Pi(\tilde{x})$. Then $D(x) = D(\Pi(\tilde{x})) = \tilde{x}$ and the above Equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi(\tilde{x}\Pi(y)) &= \Pi(\tilde{x})\Pi(y) - \Pi(\Pi(\tilde{x})y) - \lambda\Pi(\tilde{x}y) \\ \Leftrightarrow \Pi(\tilde{x})\Pi(y) &= \Pi(\tilde{x}\Pi(y)) + \Pi(\Pi(\tilde{x})y) + \lambda\Pi(\tilde{x}y)\end{aligned}$$

which is the Rota-Baxter axiom.

- ▶ Every integro-differential algebra of weight λ is a Rota-Baxter algebra of weight λ .

Equivalent conditions

- Let (R, D) be a differential algebra of weight λ with a linear operator Π on R such that $D \circ \Pi = \text{id}_R$. Denote $\mathcal{J} = \Pi \circ D$, called the **initialization**, and $\mathcal{E} = \text{id}_R - \mathcal{J}$, called the **evaluation**. Then the following statements are equivalent:

1. (R, D, Π) is an integro-differential algebra;
2. $\mathcal{E}(xy) = \mathcal{E}(x)\mathcal{E}(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$;
3. $\mathcal{J}(x)\mathcal{J}(y) + \mathcal{J}(xy) = \mathcal{J}(x)y + x\mathcal{J}(y)$, $\forall x, y \in R$
4. $\ker E = \text{im}\mathcal{J}$ is an ideal;
5. $\mathcal{J}(x\mathcal{J}(y)) = x\mathcal{J}(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$;
6. $\mathcal{J}(x\Pi(y)) = x\Pi(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$;
7. $x\Pi(y) = \Pi(D(x)\Pi(y)) + \Pi(xy) + \lambda\Pi(D(x)y)$ for all $x, y \in R$;
8. (R, D, Π) is a differential Rota-Baxter algebra and $\Pi(\mathcal{E}(x)y) = \mathcal{E}(x)\Pi(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$;
9. (R, D, Π) is a differential Rota-Baxter algebra and $\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{E}(x)\mathcal{J}(y)) = \mathcal{E}(x)\mathcal{J}(y)$ for all $x, y \in R$.

- We will focus on 2: $\mathcal{E}(xy) = \mathcal{E}(x)\mathcal{E}(y)$. and 3:
 $\mathcal{J}(x)\mathcal{J}(y) + \mathcal{J}(xy) = \mathcal{J}(x)y + x\mathcal{J}(y)$, $\forall x, y \in R$.

Integro-differential algebra of virtual species

- ▶ Let $\Phi = \Phi(X)$ be a virtual species and J be an arbitrary integral on virtual species given by

$$J(\Phi) := J(\Phi(X)) := K(X) + J_T(\Phi(X)),$$

where $K(X)$ is a combinatorial differential constant and

$$\begin{aligned} & J_T(\Phi(X)) \\ & := T_1(X)\Phi(X) - T_2(X)\Phi'(X) + \cdots + (-1)^{n-1} T_n(X)\Phi^{(n-1)}(X) + \cdots \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ **Theorem** (Gao-Guo-Rosenkranz-Zhang) The virtual species with the derivative d and integral J is a commutative integro-differential \mathbb{Z} -algebra of weight 0 if and only if $K(X) = 0$.
- ▶ **Corollary** (Gao-Guo-Rosenkranz-Zhang) The virtual species with the derivative d and the Joyal integral J_E is a commutative integro-differential \mathbb{Z} -algebra of weight 0.
- ▶ **Corollary** (Gao-Guo-Rosenkranz-Zhang) The set of species with the Joyal integral J_E is a Rota-Baxter \mathbb{Z} -algebra of weight 0.

Applications of Int-diff algebras

- ▶ The integro-differential algebra can be used to solve initial problems and boundary problems. For example:
- ▶ **Theorem** (Rosenkranz et. al.) Let (R, D, Π) be an ordinary integro-differential algebra. Given a regular differential operator $T = D^n + c_{n-1}D^{n-1} + \dots + c_0 \in R[D]$ and a regular fundamental system $u_1, \dots, u_n \in R$, the canonical initial value problem

$$\begin{aligned} Tu &= f \\ u(0) &= u'(0) = \dots = u^{(n-1)}(0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

has the unique solution $u = Gf$, where

$$G = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \Pi a^{-1} a_i$$

is the Green operator, $a = \det W(u_1, \dots, u_n)$ and a_i is the determinant of the matrix W_i obtained from W by replacing the i -th column by the n -th unit vector.

Applications of Int-diff algebras

- ▶ Another application, having the integro-differential \mathbb{Z} -algebra S of virtual species, we can also form the integro-differential polynomials (say in one variable) with coefficients in S . This will give an **exact algebraic meaning to nonlinear combinatorial differential equations**, including initial conditions.
- ▶ For the concept of integro-differential polynomial, we refer to

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The definition of linear species

- ▶ The linear species is defined on totally ordered set.
- ▶ A totally ordered set is a pair $\ell = (U, \leq)$, where U is a finite set and \leq is a total order relation on U .
- ▶ The smallest element of a nonempty totally ordered set ℓ is denoted by m_ℓ , that is,

$$m_\ell := \min\{x \mid x \in \ell\}.$$

- ▶ Let $\ell = (U, \leq)$ be a totally ordered set. For subsets U_1, \dots, U_k of U such that $U_1 + \dots + U_k = U$, we write

$$\ell_1 + \dots + \ell_k = \ell$$

if $\ell_i := \ell|_{U_i}$ is the restriction of ℓ to U_i , for $i = 1, \dots, k$.

- ▶ Between two ordered sets ℓ_1 and ℓ_2 , an increasing function $f : \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_2$ is function such that, for u and v in ℓ_1 ,

$$u <_{\ell_1} v \Rightarrow f(u) <_{\ell_2} f(v).$$

The definition of linear species

- ▶ A \mathbb{L} -species is a rule F which
 1. to each totally ordered set ℓ , associates a finite (weighted) set $F[\ell]$,
 2. to each increasing bijection $\sigma : \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_2$, associates a function (morphism of weighted sets) $F[\sigma] : F[\ell_1] \rightarrow F[\ell_2]$; these functions $F[\sigma]$ must satisfy the following functoriality properties:

$$F[\text{id}_\ell] = \text{id}_{F[\ell]}, \quad F[\sigma \circ \tau] = F[\sigma] \circ F[\tau]. \quad (4)$$

- ▶ In category terms, an \mathbb{L} -species is a functor $\mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}$, where \mathbb{L} denote the category of totally ordered sets and increasing bijections and \mathbb{E} , that of finite sets and bijections.

Some operators on linear species

- Let F, G be two linear species and $\ell = (U, <)$ a totally ordered set. Define (In each case, the transport of structures is defined in the obvious way)

1. the sum, $F + G$:

$$(F + G)[\ell] := F[\ell] + G[\ell], \quad (\text{the disjoint union});$$

2. the product, FG :

$$(FG)[\ell] := \sum_{\ell_1 + \ell_2 = \ell} F[\ell_1] \times G[\ell_2];$$

3. the derivation, $\partial(F)$:

$$\partial(F)[\ell] := F[1 +_{\circ} \ell];$$

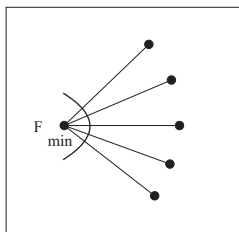
where $1 +_{\circ} \ell$ is the totally ordered set obtained by adding a new minimum element 1 to ℓ .

The integral operator

- ▶ 4. the integral, $\Pi(F)$:

$$\Pi(F)[\ell] := \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } U = \emptyset, \\ F[\ell \setminus m_\ell] & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The following figure illustrates graphically the $\Pi(F)$ -structure, where $\min = \min \ell$.



- ▶ Note that the minimum element $\min \ell$ of the underlying total order set ℓ of a $\Pi(F)$ -structure does not appear in the corresponding F -structure.

Integro-diff algebra of linear virtual species

- ▶ **Theorem** (Gao-Guo-Rosenkranz-Zhang) The set of virtual linear species with the derivative ∂ and integral Π is an integro-differential \mathbb{Z} -algebra of weight 0.
- ▶ **Corollary** (Gao-Guo-Rosenkranz-Zhang) The set of virtual linear species with the integral Π is a Rota-Baxter \mathbb{Z} -algebra of weight 0.

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► **Thank You!**