


Limiting Distributions and Large Deviations of Motif Counts in Randomly Colored Graphs¹

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- In a group of m boys and n girls, what is the probability that there is a boy-girl birthday match?
- Equivalent to asking for the probability of observing a **monochromatic edge in the bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$** colored using 365 colors.

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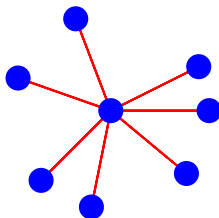


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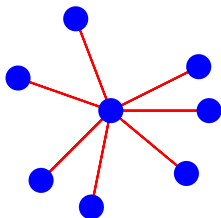


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- Then, $T(K_{1,r}, G_n) \xrightarrow{D} \binom{X}{r}$, where $X \sim \text{Pois}((r!\lambda)^{\frac{1}{r}})$.

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Theorem (Bhattacharya, Mukherjee, M. (2017))

If G_n and H are as above, and $\lambda > 0$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}T(H, G_n) = \lambda \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}T(H, G_n) = \lambda \implies T(H, G_n) \xrightarrow{D} \text{Pois}(\lambda).$$

Further, the *converse is true if and only if H is a star-graph*.

In fact, if H is not a star-graph, then for every $\lambda > 0$, \exists a sequence of graphs $G_n(H)$ and a sequence $c_n \rightarrow \infty$, such that

$$T(H, G_n(H)) \xrightarrow{D} \text{Pois}(\lambda) \quad \text{but} \quad \mathbb{E}T(H, G_n(H)) \not\rightarrow \lambda.$$

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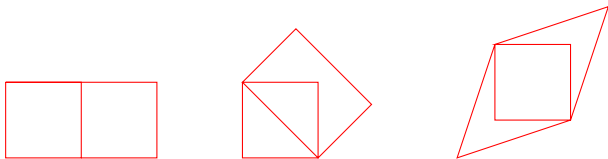


Figure: Graphs in the set $\mathcal{J}_2(C_4)$



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General Result: Linear Combination of Poissons

Theorem (Bhattacharya, Mukherjee, M. (2017))

Let G_n be a sequence of graphs colored uniformly with $c_n (\rightarrow \infty)$ colors, such that:

- For every $k \in [1, N(H, K_{|V(H)|})]$, there exists $\lambda_k \geq 0$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{F \supseteq H: |V(F)|=|V(H)|, N(H,F)=k} N_{\text{ind}}(F, G_n)}{c_n^{|V(H)|-1}} = \lambda_k,$$

- For $t \in [2, |V(H)| - 1]$ and every $F \in \mathcal{J}_t(H)$, $N(F, G_n) = o(c_n^{2|V(H)|-t-1})$.

Then

$$T(H, G_n) \xrightarrow{D} \sum_{k=1}^{N(H, K_{|V(H)|})} kX_k,$$

where $X_k \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda_k)$ and the collection $\{X_k : 1 \leq k \leq N(H, K_{|V(H)|})\}$ is independent.

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where $X_F \sim \text{Pois} \left(\lambda \cdot \frac{|Aut(H)|}{|Aut(F)|} p^{|E(F)| - |E(H)|} (1 - p)^{\binom{|V(H)|}{2} - |E(F)|} \right)$, independent.

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Suppose that $p = \Omega(n^{-\alpha})$ for some $0 < \alpha < 1/[6(2|V(H)|^2 + |V(H)|)]$. Define:

$$f(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \frac{1}{p^{|V(H)|} N(H, G_n) |Aut(H)|} \sum_{\mathbf{u} \in V(G_n)_{|V(H)|}} \prod_{i=1}^{|V(H)|} y_i \prod_{(a,b) \in E(H)} a_{u_a, u_b}(G_n),$$

$$\phi_p(t) = \inf_{\mathbf{y} \in [0,1]^n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \frac{y_i}{p} + (1 - y_i) \log \frac{1 - y_i}{1 - p} : f(\mathbf{y}) \geq t \right\}.$$

Then, for $t \in (1, \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} p^{-|V(H)|})$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \mathbb{P}(S(H, G_n) \geq t \mathbb{E}[S(H, G_n)])}{-\phi_p(t)} = 1.$$

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- If the limiting graphon is in the block form $\sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d W_{i,j} \mathbb{1}_{A_i \times A_j}$ for some measurable partition A_1, \dots, A_d of $[0, 1]$, then the n -free variational problem above is actually a **d -dimensional optimization problem**.

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