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### **1. Induction**

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F(A, n) \leftrightarrow \{F(A', n-1), A' = (A \setminus \{n\}) \cup \{i \quad chosen \quad vertices\}\}\
$$

$$
T_{n,k} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-k} \binom{(n-1)-(k-1)}{i} T_{n-1,k+i-1}
$$

$$
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$$



$$
f\big|_{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 7 & 89 \\ 7 & 9 & 1 & 5 & 84 \end{pmatrix}
$$





 $M = \{1,4,5,7,8,9\}$  *f*  $|_M$  is a bijection

$$
f|_M = \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 5 & 7 & 89 \\ 79 & 1 & 5 & 84 \end{pmatrix}
$$
  

$$
\begin{array}{c|cccc}\n7 & 9 & 1 & 5 & 8 & 4 \\ \hline\n0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0\n\end{array}
$$











 $(7,9,1,5,8,4)$   $\rightarrow$   $(1,5,7,8,4,9)$  $f = \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 4 & 5 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 7 & 8 & 1 & 5 & 8 & 4 \end{array} \right)$ 

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Reversing the correspondence

### (1 4 4 1 6 6 8 6)





- inner vertex $\bigcirc$
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- deleted vertex
- end vertex  $\bigcap$
- inner vertex $\bigcirc$

# (144 1 6 6 8 6)





- inner vertex $\bigcirc$ 

# (1441 6 6 8 6)





- inner vertex $\bigcirc$ 





- end vertex
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$$

 $\int_{(u-1)}^{u}$  -the number of trees in which vertex n has degree k

## Polya's approach

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Let  $c_n$  be the number of connected graphs on n vertices enjoying a certain property P.

$$
\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} {n \choose k} \cdot c_k \cdot c_{n-k} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot n! \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{c_k}{k!} \cdot \frac{c_{n-k}}{(n-k)!}
$$

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# Lagrange inversion formula

$$
\varphi(s) = x \psi(\varphi(s))
$$
  

$$
\frac{d^n}{ds^n} \varphi(s) \big|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{n} \frac{d^n}{dt^n} \psi^n(t) \big|_{t=0}
$$

$$
nt_n = \frac{1}{n} \frac{d^n}{dt^n} e^{nt} |_{t=0} = n^{n-1}
$$

## The number of spanning trees of a directed graph

**Def.** A spanning tree of a graph G is its subgraph T that includes all the vertices of G and is a tree

**Def.** A directed tree rooted at vertex n is a tree, all arcs of which are directed towards the root



$$
n = \sum_{j=1}^{h} s_j
$$

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Def. A function f is called a tree function of a directed tree T iff  $f(i)=j$  when j is the first vertex on the way from i to the root.

Let c(H) denote the number of spanning trees of the graph H



Theorem (Knuth) 
$$
c(H) = \sum_{j}^{h-1} \prod_{i=1}^{n} |\Gamma(S_i)|^{|S_i|-1} |f(S_i)|
$$



Theorem The number of spanning trees of a graph H arisen from a directed cycle equals

$$
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 $s_2-1$  $s_1 - 1$ <br>2 1  $^{-1}$ ,  $s^2$  $\cdot$  S<sup>32</sup> *s s*  $s_2^{s_1}$   $\cdot$   $s_1^{s_2}$   $\cdot$  is the number of r by s bipartite graphs

$$
\sum_{k=0}^{n} {n \choose k} k^{n-k-1} (n-k-1)^{k-1} = 2n^{n-2}
$$

Def. Let G be a directed graph without loops. Let  $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  denote the vertices of G, and  $\{e_1, ..., e_m\}$  denote the edges of G.

The incidence matrix of G is the n x m matrix A, such that

$$
a_{i,j} = 1
$$
, if  $v_i$  is the head of  $e_j$   
\n $a_{i,j} = -1$ , if  $v_i$  is the tail of  $e_j$   
\n $a_{i,j} = 0$  otherwise



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$$
\begin{array}{ccccccccc}\n+1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\
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0 & +1 & -1 & 0 & 0\n\end{array}
$$

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Let  $A_0$  be the reduced incidence matrix of the graph G.

#### Theorem (Binet-Cauchy)

If R and S are matrices of size p by q and q by p, where  $p \leq q$ , then  $\det(RS) = \sum \det(B) \cdot \det(C)$ 

#### Theorem (Matrix-Tree Theorem)

If A is a reduced incidence matrix of the graph G, then the number of spanning trees equals  $\det(A \cdot A^T)$ 

$$
\det A A^T = \Sigma (\det B)^2
$$

*<sup>e</sup>*1,...*eb* <sup>−</sup> var*iables identified with edges of G*  $M(e) = [m_{ij}]$ 

 $m_{ij} = -e_k$ , if  $e_k$  joins *i* and *j* and  $i \neq j$ 

*m sum if edges incident to i otherwise ij* =



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Another derivation of Cayley's formula:

$n-1$	$-1$	...	$-1$	$-1$
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$$
\begin{vmatrix}\n1 & 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \\
-1 & n-1 & \dots & -1 & -1 \\
-1 & -1 & \ddots & -1 & -1 \\
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0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & n & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & n\n\end{vmatrix} = n^{n-2}
$$

Theorem (Matrix-Tree Theorem for directed graphs)

Let be variables representing the arcs of the graph. Let denote the n by n matrix in which  $-c_{ij}$  equals the sum of arcs directed from node i to node j if  $i \neq j$ , and  $c_{ii}$  equals the sum of all arcs directed from node i to all other nodes.  $C = [c_{ij}]$  $-c_{ij}$ 

Then

$$
C_n = \Sigma \Pi(T),
$$

where the summation is over all spanning subtrees of G rooted at node n .

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}\n1 & 2 & e_1 & -e_1 & 0 & 0 \\
\hline\n1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
5 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\hline\n3 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3\n\end{array}
$$
\n
$$
C_n = \begin{bmatrix}\ne_1 & -e_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -e_2 & e_2 & 0 & 0 \\
-e_4 & -e_5 & -e_3 & e_3 + e_4 + e_5 & 0\n\end{bmatrix}
$$
Matrix-Tree Theorem

