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# Combinatorial theory of orthogonal polynomials and continued fractions

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Orthogonal polynomials  
and exponential structures

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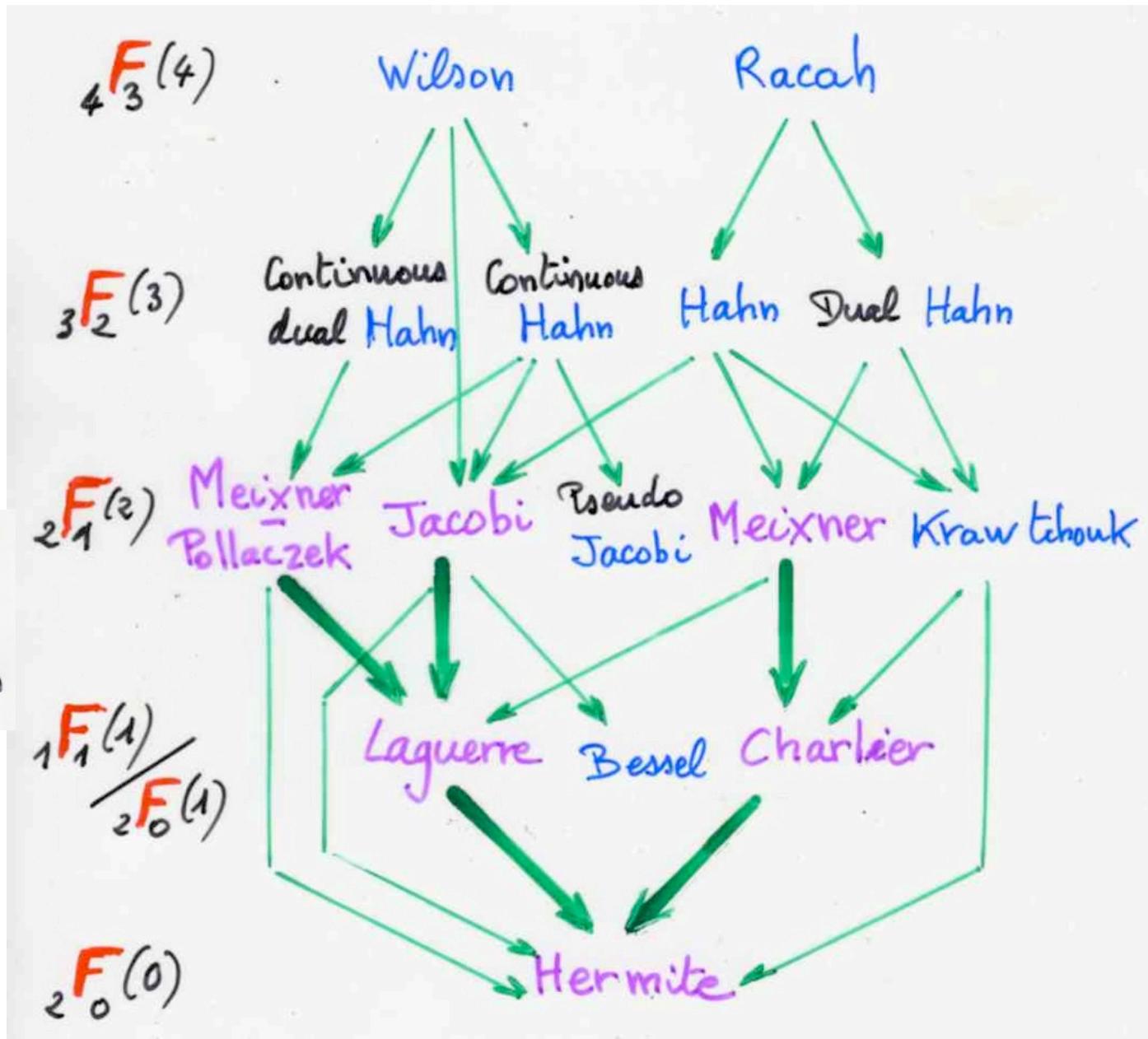
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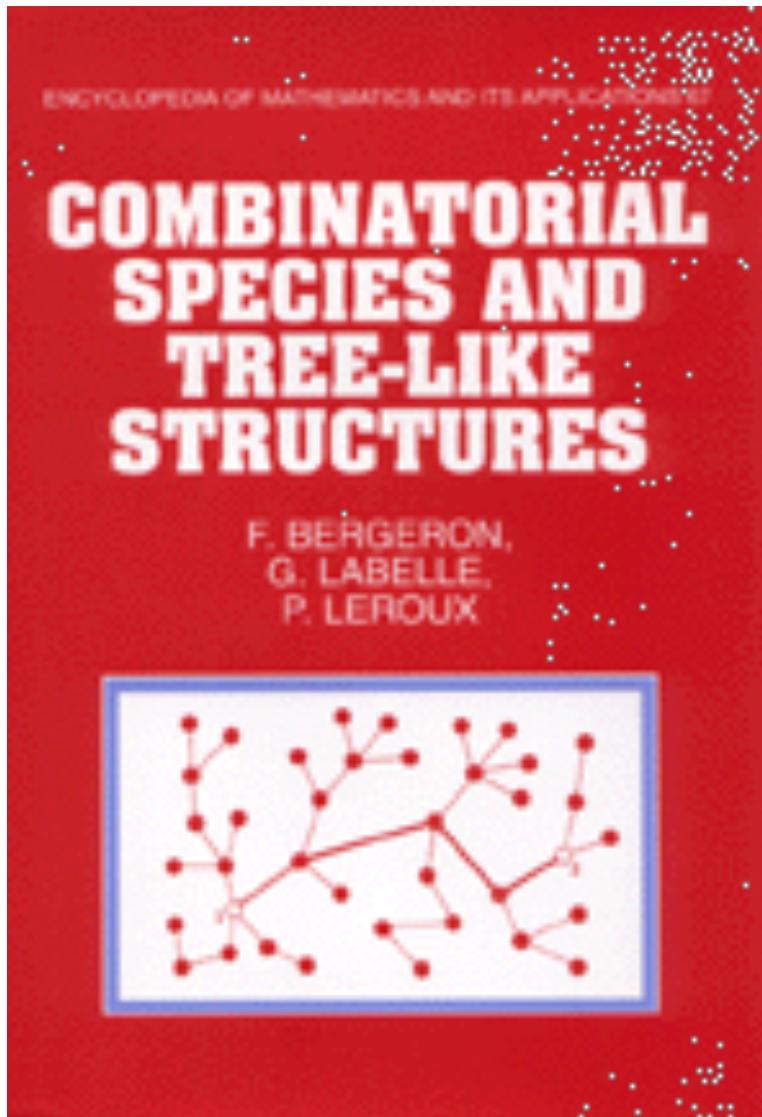
# Askey scheme of hypergeometric orthogonal polynomials

orthogonal Sheffer polynomials



Combinatorial model  
for exponential generating function

$$f(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n \frac{t^n}{n!}$$



Species  
(combinatorial)  
structures

UQAM

Montreal  
Québec

Encyclopedia of Mathematics  
and its Applications  
Cambridge University Press (1977)

This lecture is dedicated to  
My dear friend Pierre Leroux



San Diego, California, 1978-79

A. Garsia, X.V., R.Stanley's course, vol 1 and 2 (!), ...

Back to UQAM, Montréal, 1979, séminaire ...

1980 Groupe de recherche en Combinatoire de l'UQAM

Theory of combinatorial species, A.Joyal, G.Labelle,...

Exponential generating functions

Combinatorial interpretation of some families of  
orthogonal polynomials using species theory

1980-1990

P.Leroux, F. Bergeron,

visitors: V. Strehl, Y.N.Yeh, D.Foata, X.V., ...

1989, founder of the LACIM

Laboratoire de Combinatoire  
et d'Informatique Mathématique  
UQAM, Montréal

One of the founder of the FPSAC colloques  
(formal power series and algebraic combinatorics)

FPSAC' 88, Lille, 90, Paris

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FPSAC' 91, Bordeaux

FPSAC' 92, Montréal

FPSAC' 93, Firenze

.....

FPSAC' 21, Bangalore

Société Mathématique de France (SMF)  
Gazette des mathématiciens, Juillet 2008, n° 117

"Pierre Leroux (1942 - 2008)", x.v., p 59-66

"La carrière mathématique de Pierre Leroux",  
Gilbert Labelle, p 67-74

<http://smf.emath.fr/>  
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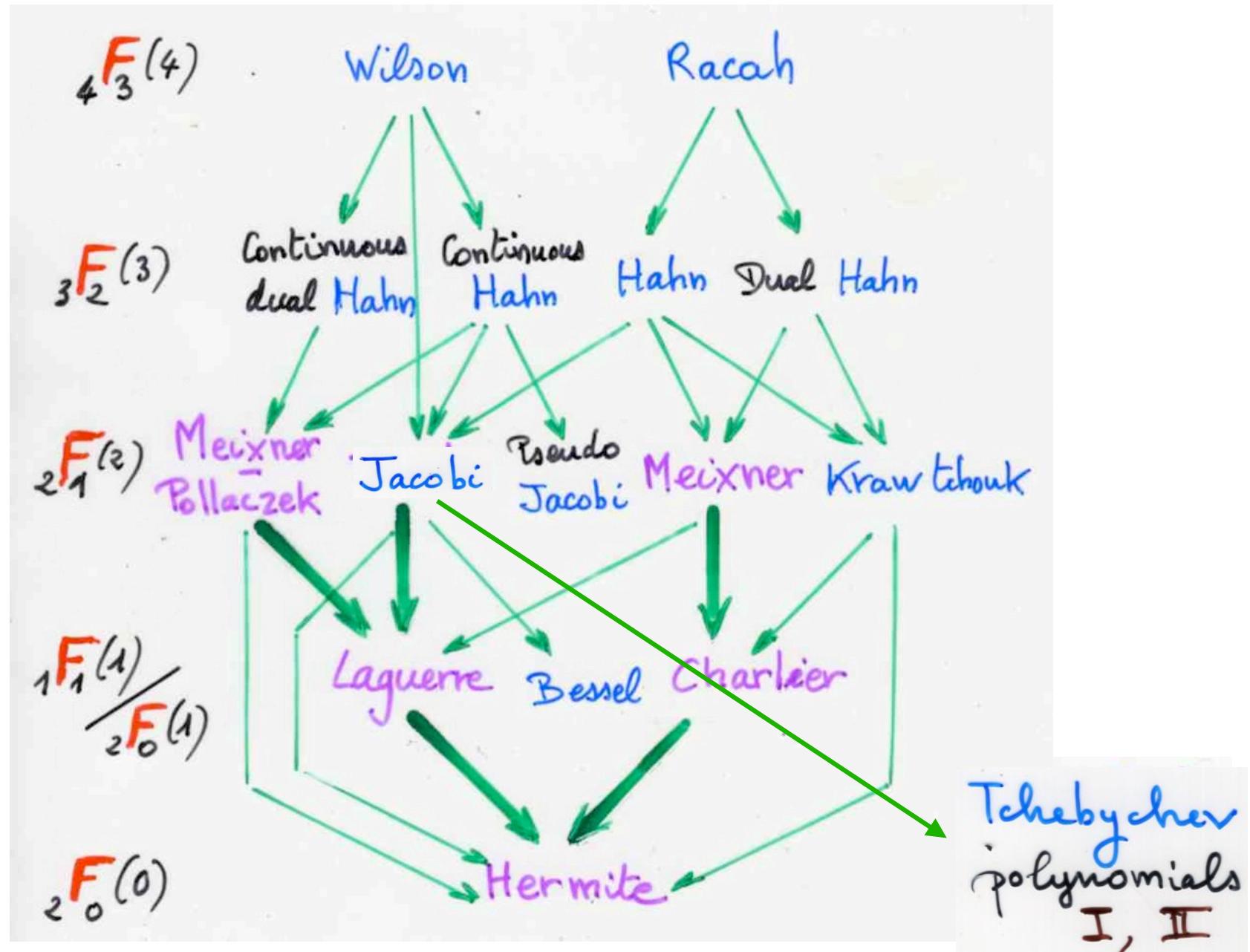
Hypergeometric series

and

orthogonal polynomials

# Askey scheme of hypergeometric orthogonal polynomials

orthogonal Sheffer polynomials



$\{u_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  geometric

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = c \text{ constant}$$

$$u_n = u_0 c^n$$

$\{u_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  hypergeometric

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = R(n)$$

rational function

$$R(n) = \frac{(a_1+n) \cdots (a_r+n)}{(1+n)(b_1+n) \cdots (b_s+n)} z$$

$$(a)_k = \begin{cases} a(a+1)\cdots(a+k-1) & \text{if } k > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } k = 0 \\ \frac{1}{(a-1)(a-2)\cdots(a+k)} & \text{if } k < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(1)_k = k!$$

Pochhammer symbol  
rising factorial

$${}_rF_s \left[ \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r \\ b_1, \dots, b_s \end{matrix}; z \right] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_k (a_2)_k \cdots (a_r)_k}{k! (b_1)_k \cdots (b_s)_k} z^k$$

hypergeometric

Gauss (1812) hypergeometric series

$$_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b \\ c \end{matrix}; z \right]$$

$$\Gamma(n+1) = n!$$

$$_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b \\ c \end{matrix}; 1 \right] = \frac{\Gamma(c) \Gamma(c-a-b)}{\Gamma(c-a) \Gamma(c-b)}$$

$$a, b, c \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(c-a-b) > 0$$

Gauss (1812)

$r F_s$  "generalized" hypergeometric series

$$_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} -n, b \\ c \end{matrix}; 1 \right] = \frac{(c-b)_n}{(c)_n}$$

Vandermonde  
(1770)  
Chu (1303)

$$_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} 1-c-2n, -2n \\ c \end{matrix}; -1 \right] = (-1)^n \frac{(2n)! (c-1)!}{n! (c+n-1)!}$$

Kummer (1836)

$$_3F_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b, -n \\ c, 1+a+b-c-n \end{matrix}; 1 \right] = \frac{(c-a)_n (c-b)_n}{(c)_n (c-a-b)_n}$$

Pfaff-Saalschütz  
(1797) (1890)

Orthogonal Sheffer polynomials

## Sheffer polynomials

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} T_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = g(t) \exp(x f(t))$$

binomial type  
polynomials

$\{P_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$  orthogonal polynomials

Meixner  
(1934)

are

Sheffer polynomials



$\{P_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$  are one of  
the 5 possible types :

Hermite

Laguerre

Charlier

Meixner

Meixner  
-  
Pollaczek

$\{P_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$  orthogonal polynomials

are Sheffer polynomials

Meixner  
(1934)

positive-definite OPS  
Sheffer type  $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} b_k = ak + b \\ \gamma_k = k(ck + d) \end{cases}$

with  $\begin{cases} a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \\ c \geq 0, c+d > 0 \end{cases}$

$$(1) \quad a=0, \quad c=0$$

Hermite  
polynomials

$$H_n(x)$$

$$(2) \quad a \neq 0, \quad a^2 - 4c = 0$$

Laguerre  
polynomials

$$L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$$

$$(3) \quad a \neq 0, \quad c=0$$

Charlier  
polynomials

$$C_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$$

$$(4) \quad a^2 - 4c > 0$$

Meixner  
polynomials

$$M_n^{(\beta, \gamma)}(x)$$

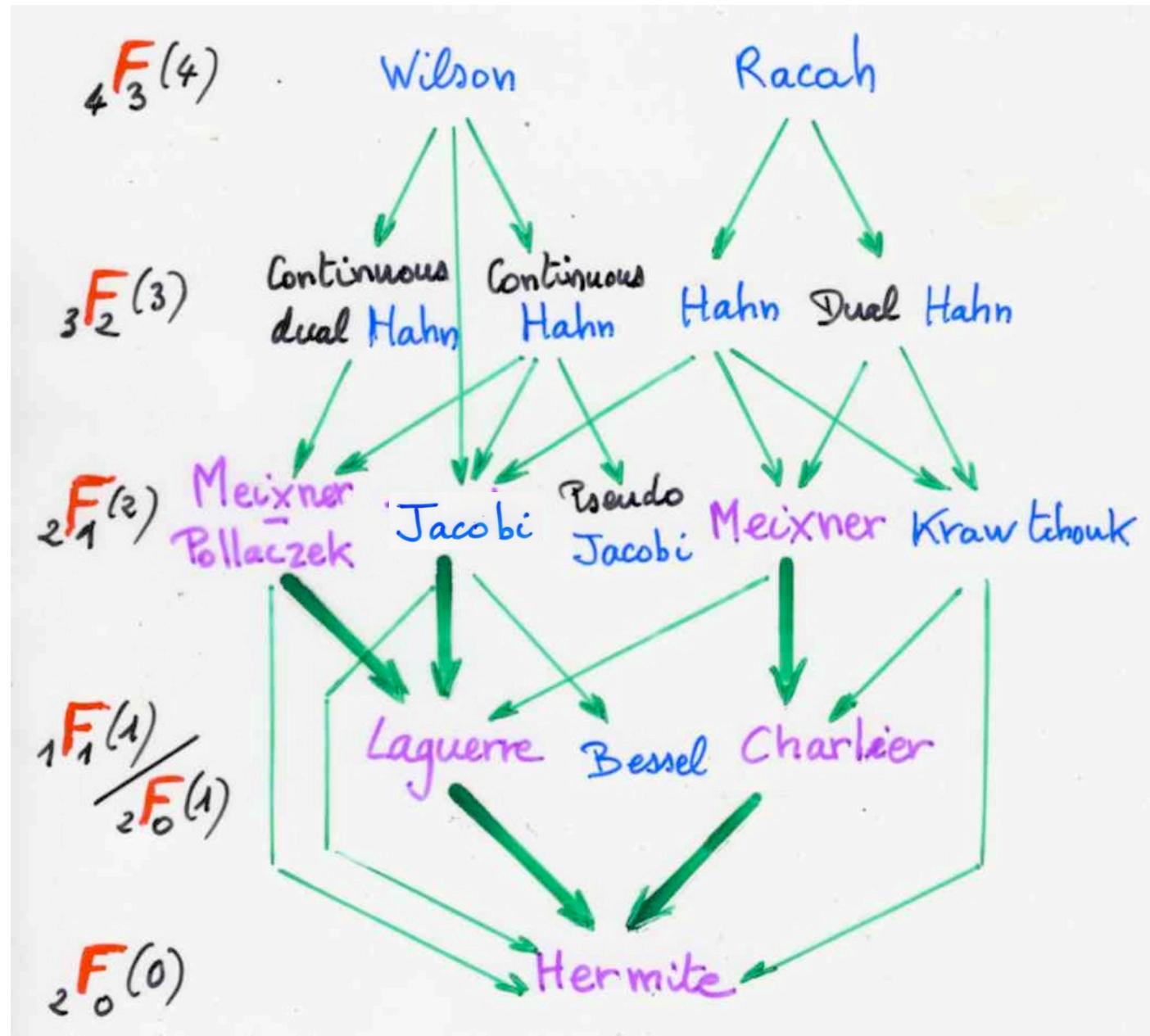
$$(5) \quad a^2 - 4c < 0$$

Meixner - Pollaczek  
polynomials

$$C_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$$

# Askey scheme of hypergeometric orthogonal polynomials

orthogonal Sheffer polynomials



reminding

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(some ideas about)

species and  
exponential generating functions

"naive" definition

$U$  finite set

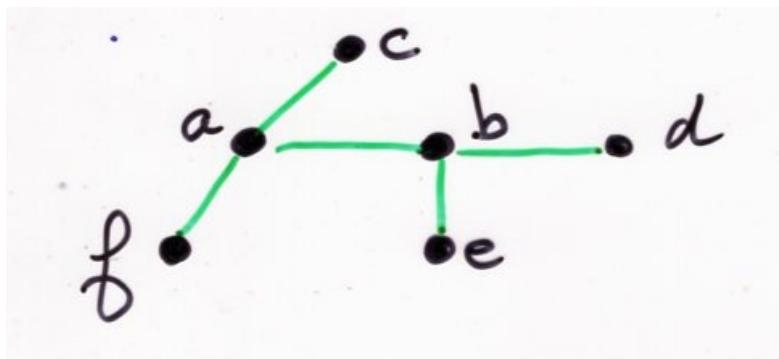
combinatorial structure  
construction  $\alpha$

$U$  underlying set with  
 $\alpha$  constructed on  $U$ ,  
supported by  $U$

species  $F$   
structures of type  $F$   
set  $F[U]$

$F$ -structure  $\alpha \in F[U]$

example Tree (= graph having no cycle)



Permutations,  
(set) Partitions,  
Graphs,  
Endofunctions, ...

# Transport of structures

$$U \xrightarrow{f} V$$

bijection

$$F[U] \xrightarrow{F[f]} F[V]$$

transport along  $f$

example trees  $U = \{a, b, c\}$   $V = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f: U & \xrightarrow{\quad} & V \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \{a, b, c\} & \xrightarrow{F[f]} & \{1, 2, 3\} \end{array}$$

$\{a-b-c, b-a-c, a-c-b\}$

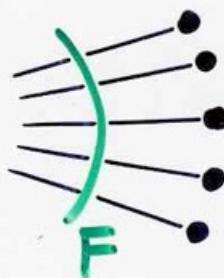
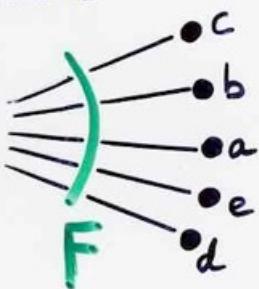
$\{1-2-3, 2-1-3, 1-3-2\}$

coherent transport

$$F[f \circ g] = F[f] \circ F[g]$$

$$F[Id_U] = Id_{F[U]}$$

Convention.



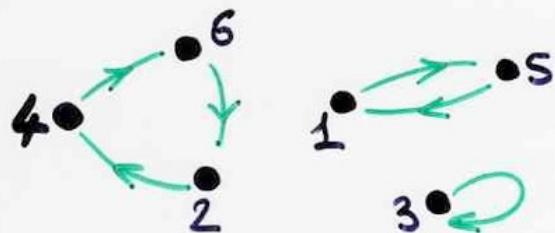
enumeration  $a_n = |\mathbf{F}[\{1, 2, \dots, n\}]|$

Definition generating function  
of the species  $F$

$$F(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

## Examples

Permutations  $S$

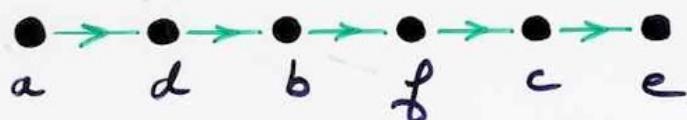


$$a_n = n! \quad S(t) = \frac{1}{1-t}$$

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 5 & 4 & 3 & 6 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tau = 543612$$

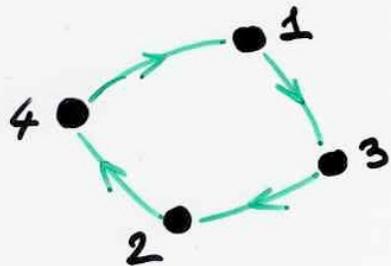
Total order  $L$



$$a_n = n! \quad L(t) = \frac{1}{1-t}$$

# Cycle C

$$a_n = (n-1)!$$



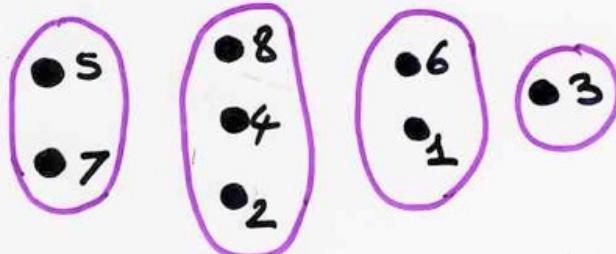
$$C(t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{t^n}{n} = -\log(1-t)^{-1}$$

circular permutations

set  $E$  (ensemble)  
uniform species

"Ensemble"  
 $e$   
Euler

## 8. Partition B



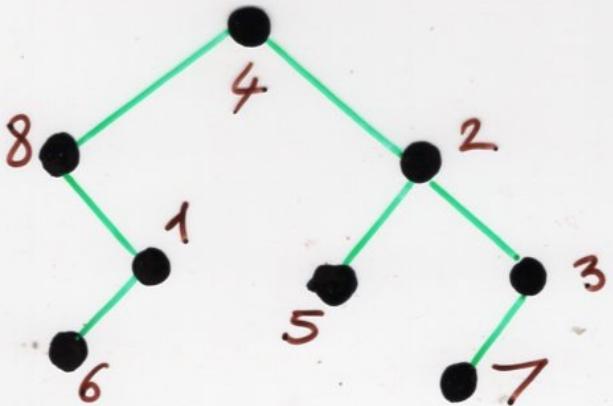
Bell number

$$a_n = B_n \text{ nombre de Bell}$$

$$B(t) = \exp(e^t - 1)$$

(labeled) binary tree

$$a_n = n! C_n$$



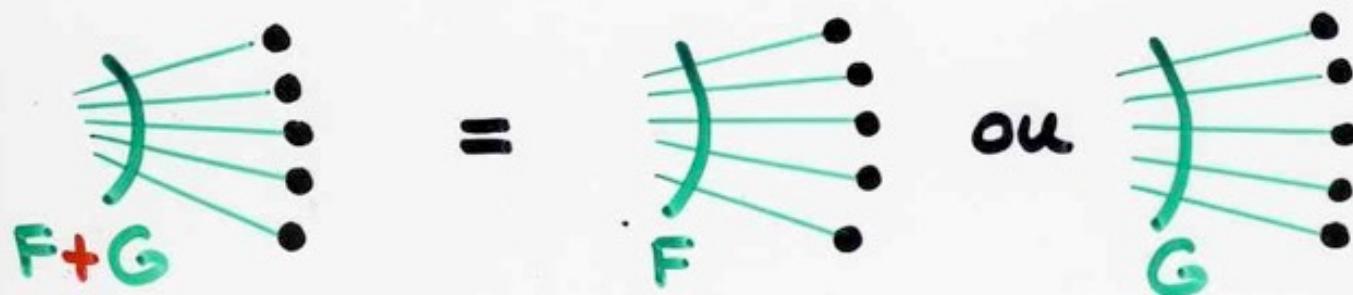
$$y = \sum_{n \geq 0} C_n t^n$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 0} (n! C_n) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

Def.

sum

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



Prop.

$$(F+G)[t] = F[t] + G[t]$$

$$c_n = a_n + b_n$$

ex.

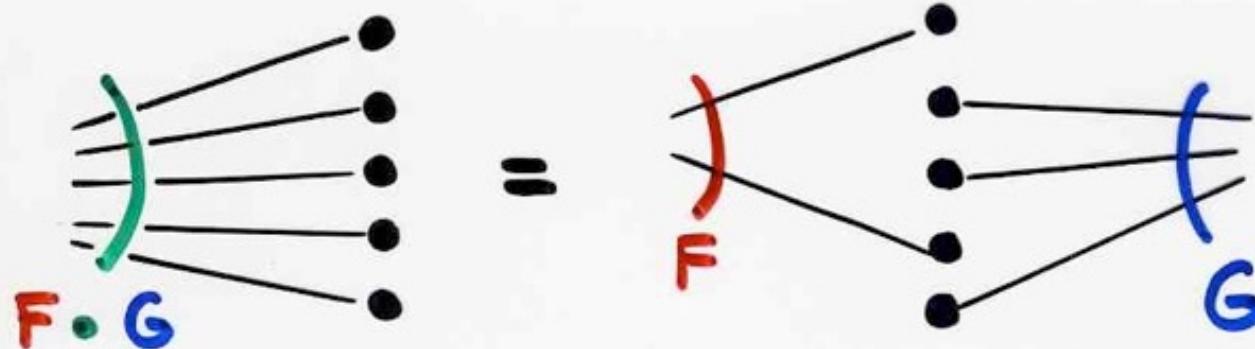
$$E = EP + EI$$

$$e^t = ch t + sh t$$

Def.

Product

$F \cdot G$



$\gamma \in F \cdot G [U]$

$\gamma = (U_1, U_2, \alpha, \beta)$      $\{U_1, U_2\}$   
 $\alpha \in F[U_1]$      $\beta \in G[U_2]$

Partition  
of  $U$

Prop-

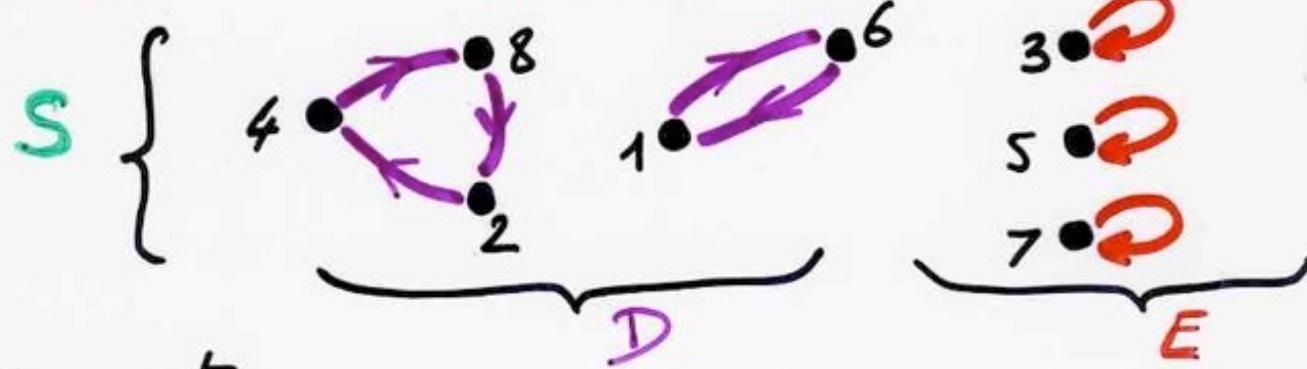
$$F \cdot G [t] = F [t] G [t]$$

$$c_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a_k b_{n-k}$$

## ex. Dérangements $D$

$$S = D \cdot E \quad \begin{matrix} \text{set} \\ \text{ensemble} \end{matrix}$$

permutation



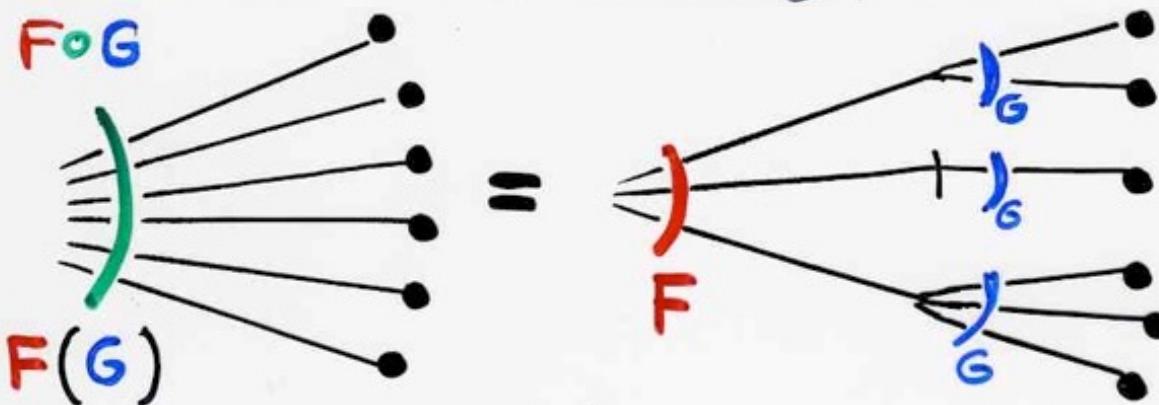
$$D[t] = \frac{e^{-t}}{1-t}$$

$$d_n = n! \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \right)$$

$$P_n = \frac{d_n}{n!} \rightarrow \frac{1}{e}$$

Def.  $F$     $G$     $G[\emptyset] = \emptyset$

substitution of  $G$  into  $F$



$\gamma \in F(G)[U]$

- $\gamma \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bullet \text{ partition } \{U_1, \dots, U_k\} \text{ de } U \\ \text{classes } \neq \emptyset \\ \bullet \beta_i \in G[U_i], \quad i=1, \dots, k \\ \bullet \alpha \in F[U_{\leq}] \end{array} \right.$

$F$ - "assemblée" of  $G$ -structures

ex- permutation = assembly of cycles

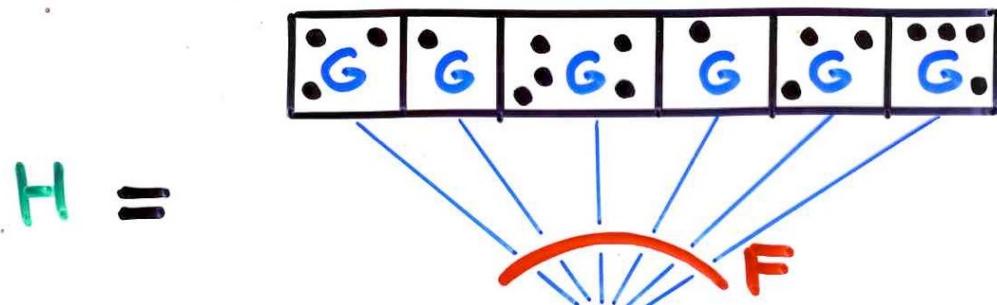
Prop.  $(F \circ G)(t) = F(G(t))$

$$c_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n!}{k! n_1! \dots n_k!} a_k b_{n_1} \dots b_{n_k}$$
$$n_1 + \dots + n_k = n$$
$$n_1, \dots, n_k \geq 1$$

Cor  $F = E$   $(E \circ G)(t) = \exp(G(t))$

"assemblies" of  $G$ -structures

$E^G$



$$H = F(G)$$

$$F = E$$

species set

$$e^t$$

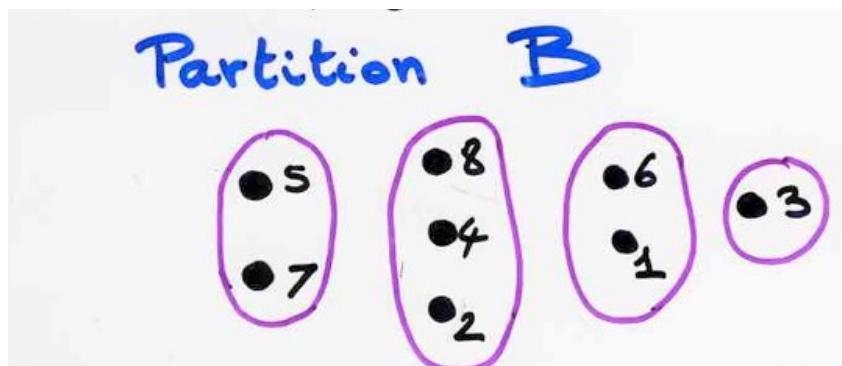
$$H = \exp(G)$$

"assembly" of  $G$ -structures

$$h(t) = \exp(g(t))$$

$$B = \exp(E^+)$$

↑  
non-empty  
set

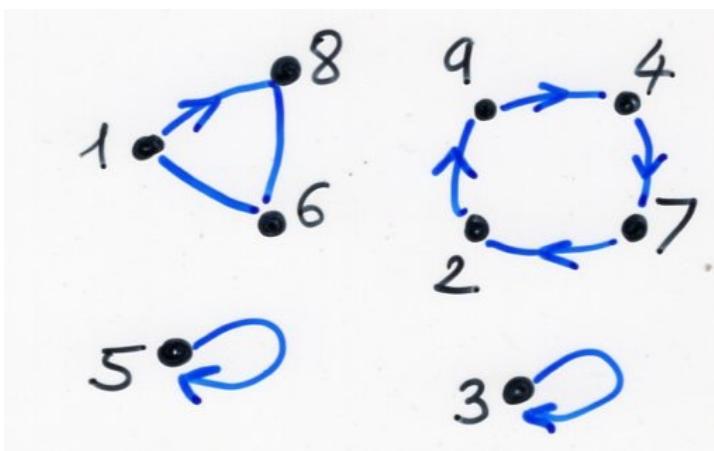


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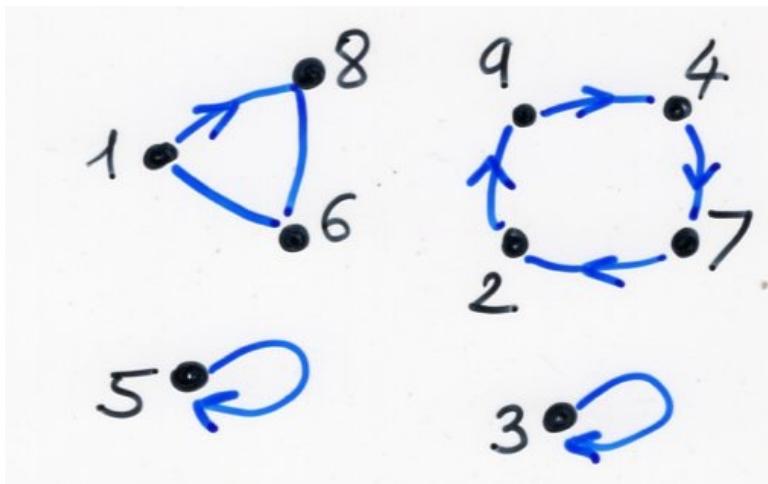
$$a_n = B_n$$

nombre de Bell

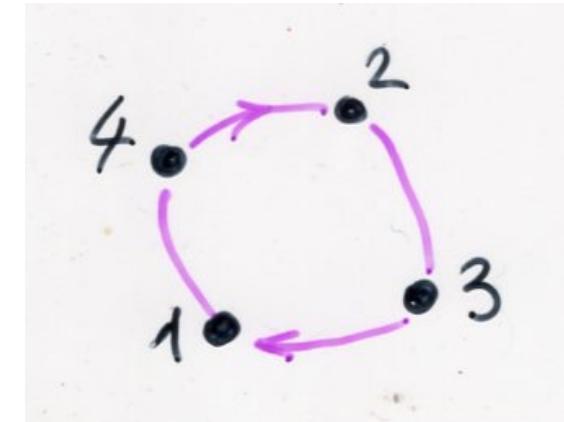
$$B(t) = \exp(e^t - 1)$$



permutation =  $\exp(\text{cycle})$



cyclic  
permutation

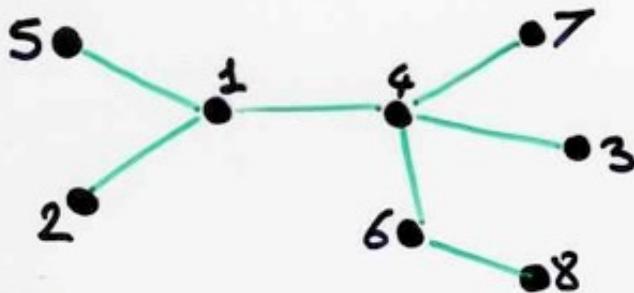


$$\sum_{n \geq 0} n! \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{1-t}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} (n-1)! \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{t^n}{n}$$

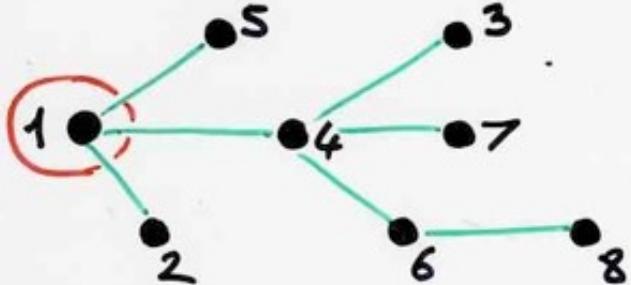
$$= \log \frac{1}{1-t}$$

12. (Cayley) tree  $\alpha$



$$a_n = n^{n-2}$$

13. Arborescence A



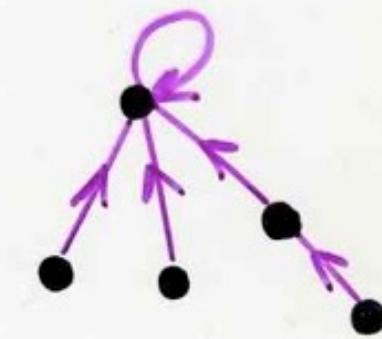
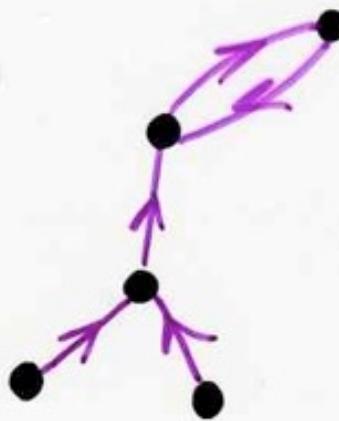
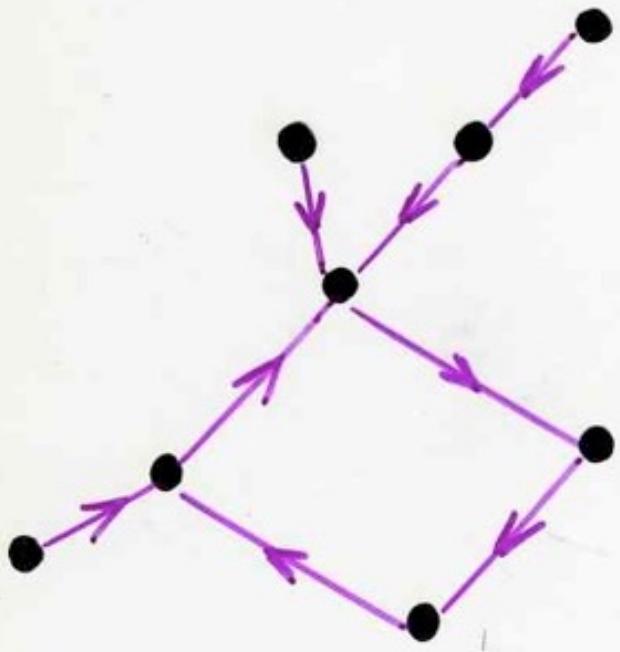
pointed vertex (root)

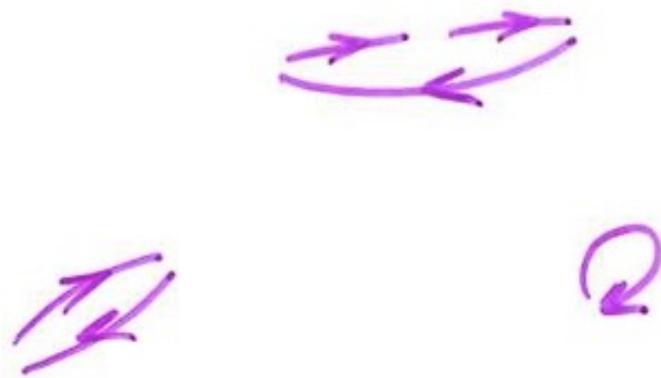
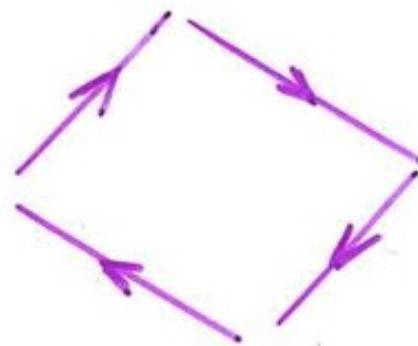
$$a_n = n^{n-1}$$

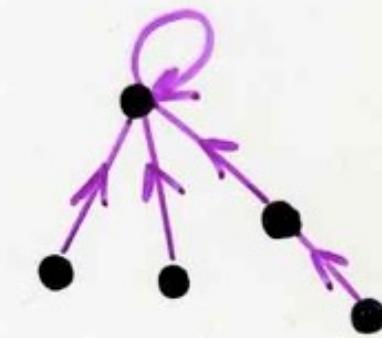
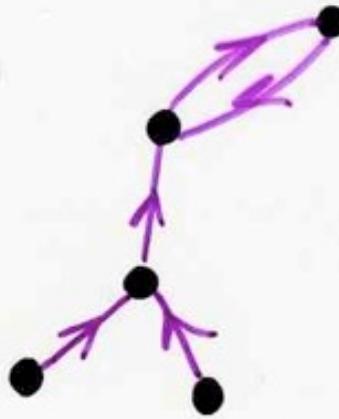
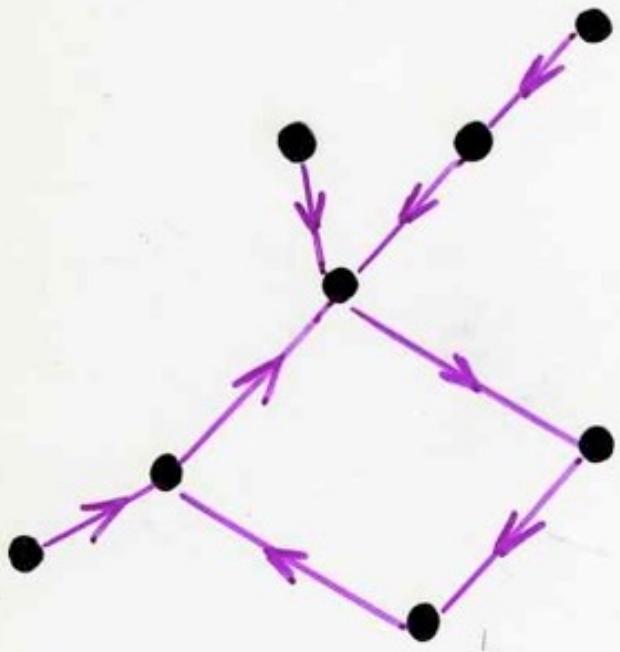
ex. Endofunctions

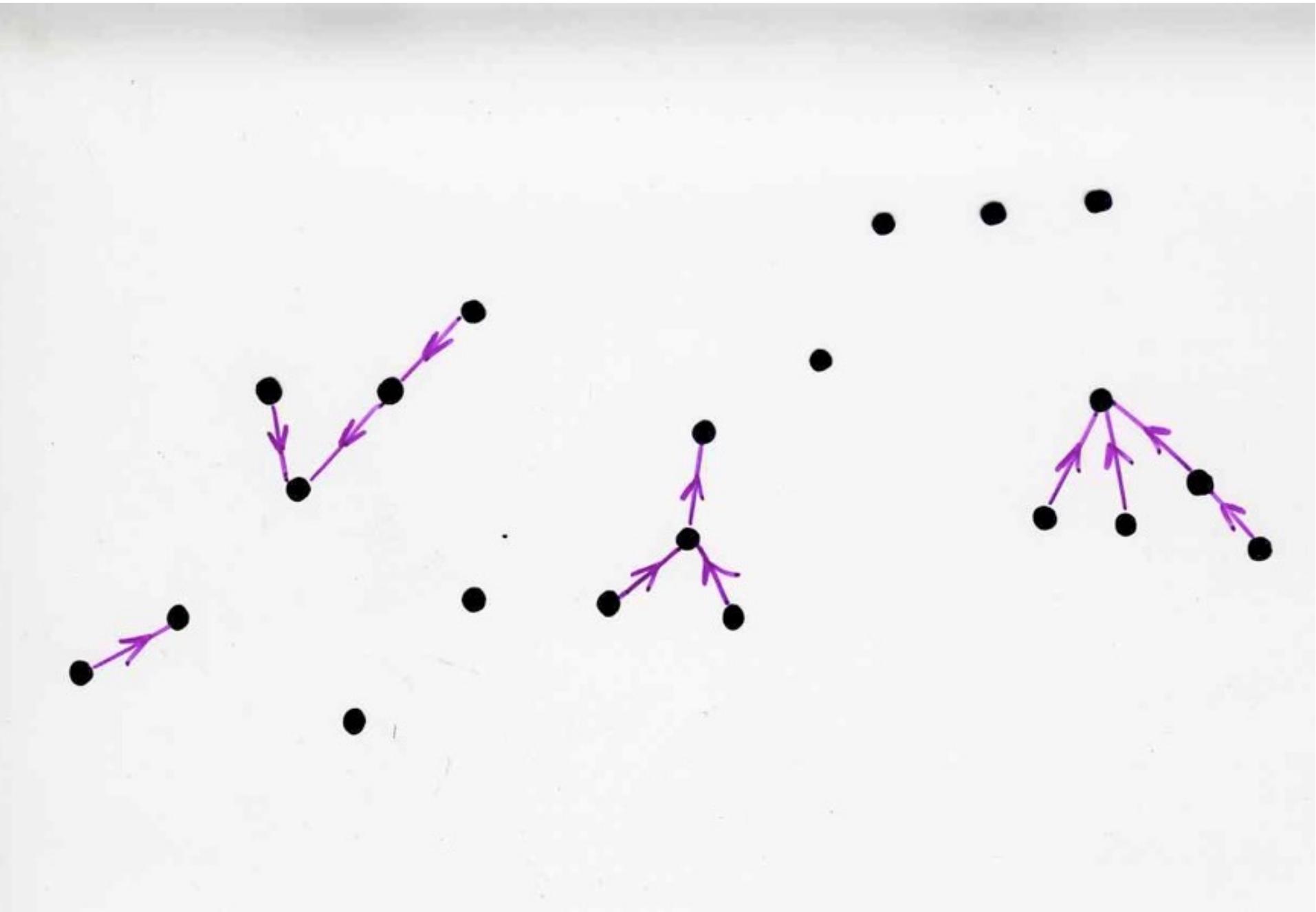
$$\text{End} = S \circ A$$

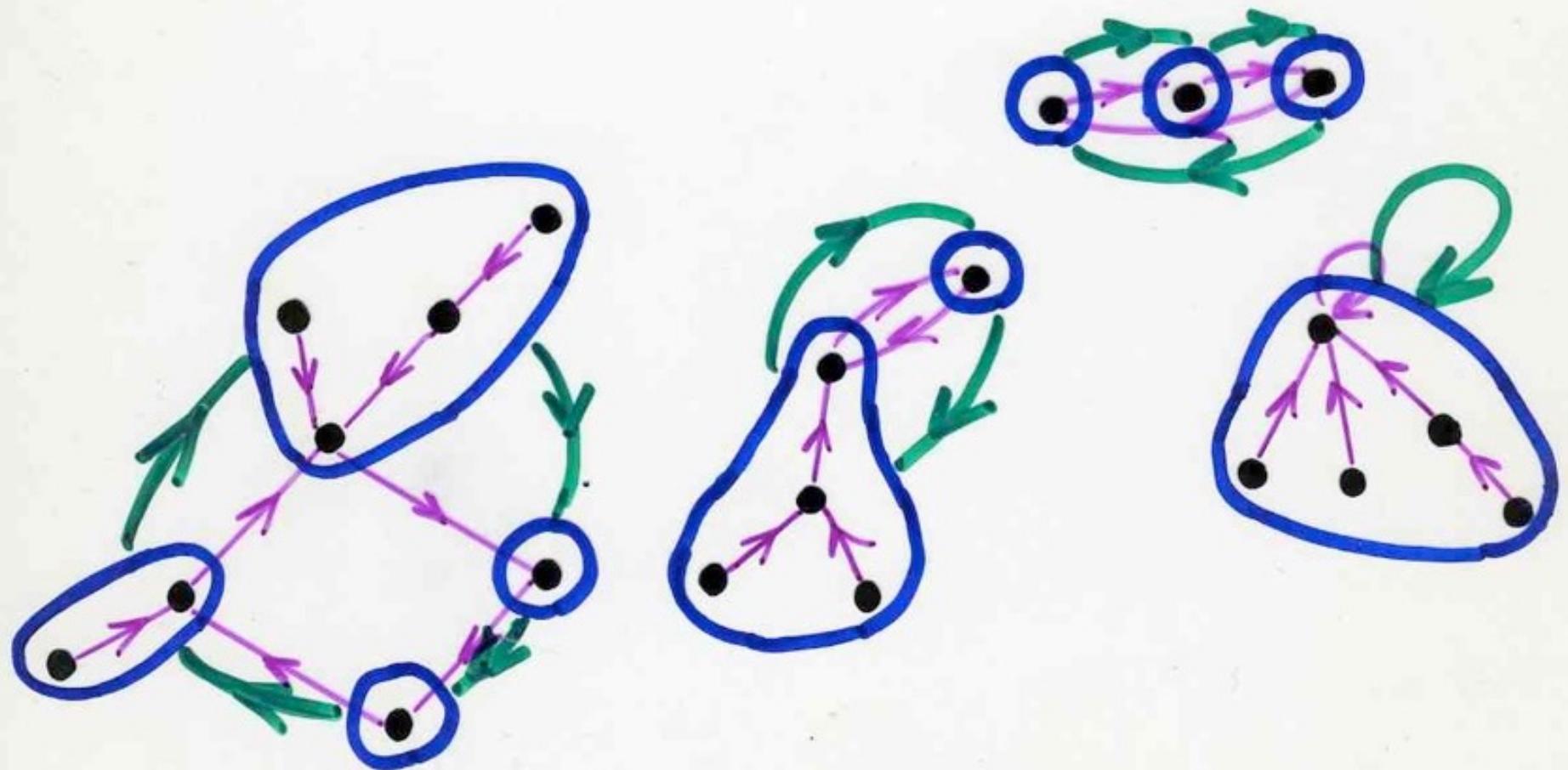
endofunctions      permutations      arborescence

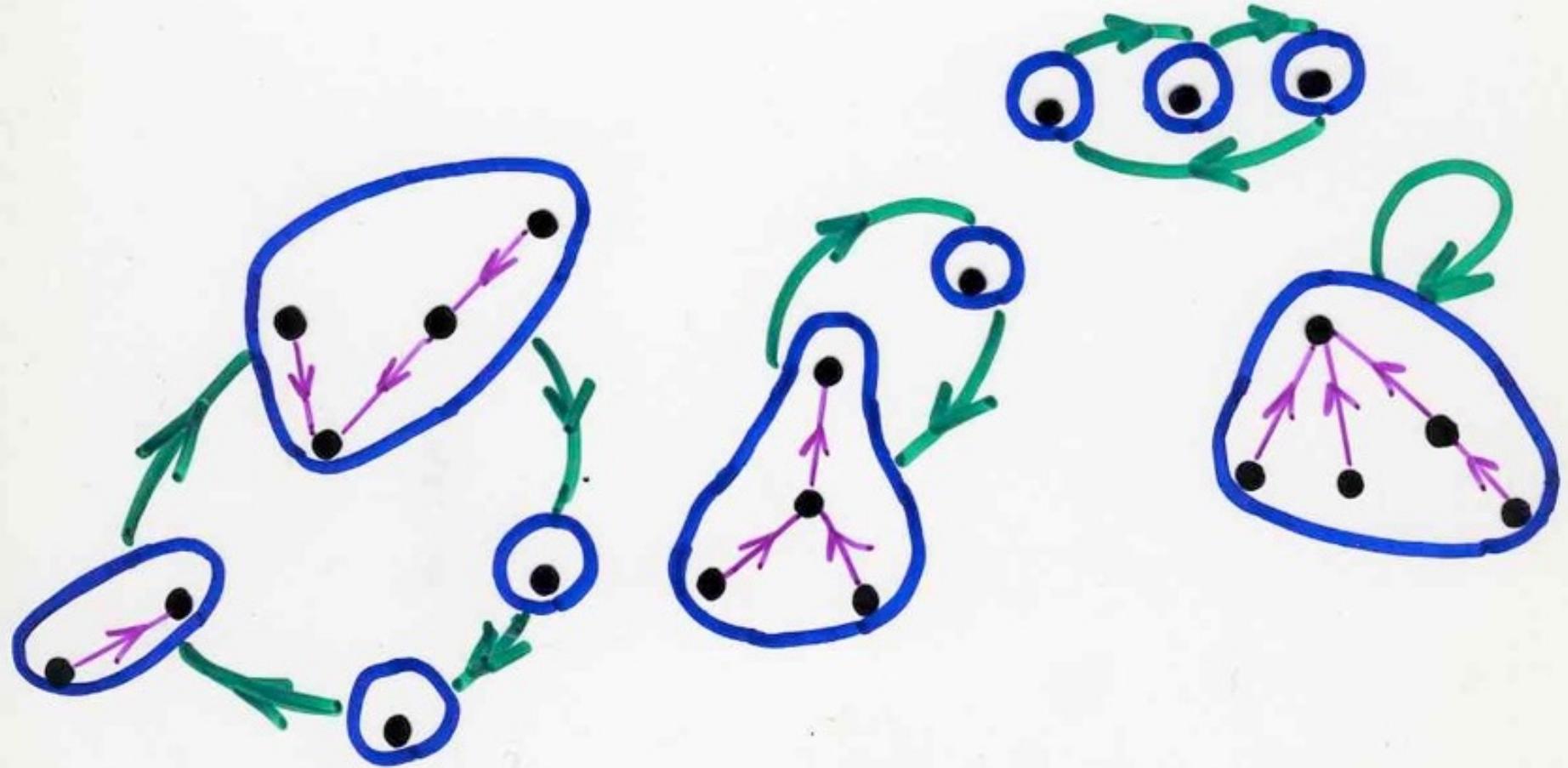












$\mathbb{K}$  commutative ring

Definition

weighted species  $F_v$

$$\alpha \in F[U] \longrightarrow v(\alpha) \in \mathbb{K}$$

<sup>weight</sup>  
(or valuation)

of the  $F$ -structure  $\alpha$

$$f: U \rightarrow V$$
$$\alpha \in F[U] \xrightarrow{F[f]} \beta \in F[V]$$

$$v(\alpha) = v(\beta)$$

Definition

generating power series  $F_v(t)$

$$F_v(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} P_n \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$P_n \in K$$

$$P_n = \sum_{\alpha \in F[U]} v(\alpha)$$

with  $|U|=n$

Combinatorial interpretation  
of Hermite polynomials



## Hermite polynomial

$$H_n(x)$$

$$H_n(x) = (2x)^n {}_2F_0 \left[ \begin{matrix} -n/2, -(n-1)/2 \\ \end{matrix}; -\frac{1}{x^2} \right]$$

"physicists" Hermite polynomial  $H_n(x)$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} H_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \exp(2xt - t^2)$$

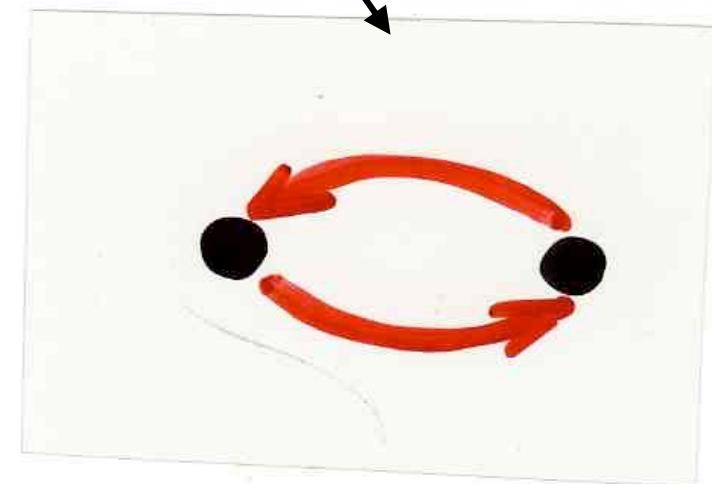
$$\exp\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{(-1)^n}{n!}\right)$$

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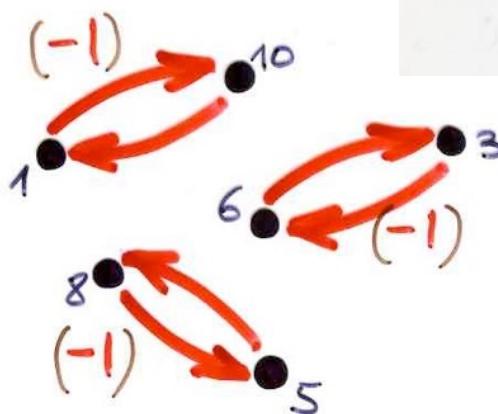
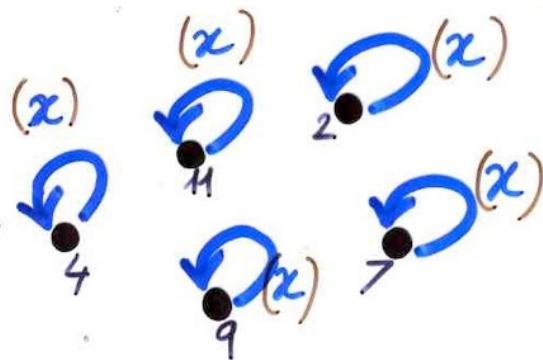
$$\sum_{n \geq 0} H_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \exp\left(xt - \frac{t^2}{2}\right)$$

(combinatorial)  
Hermite polynomials

binomial type  
polynomials



# Hermite configuration



weight  $(x)$   
 $(-1)$

(combinatorial)  
Hermite polynomials

$$H_n(x) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} (-1)^{d(\sigma)} x^{\text{fix}(\sigma)}$$

involution

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 2 & 6 & 4 & 8 & 3 & 7 & 5 & 9 & 1 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_n(x) = \sum_{0 \leq 2k \leq n} (-1)^k \frac{n!}{2^k k! (n-2k)!} x^{n-2k}$$

(combinatorial)  
Hermite polynomials

$$H_n(x) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} (-1)^{d(\sigma)} x^{\text{fix } (\sigma)}$$

involution

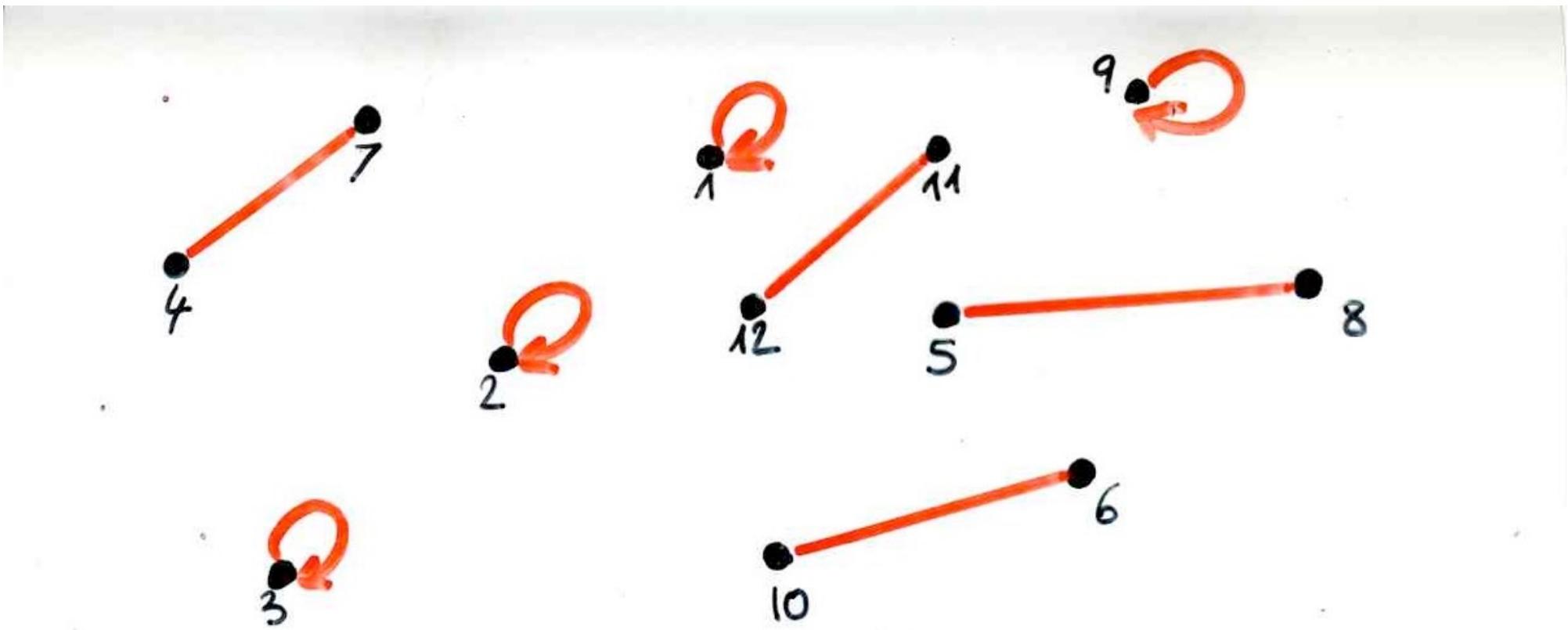
Mehler identity  
for Hermite polynomials

# Combinatorial proof of formulae

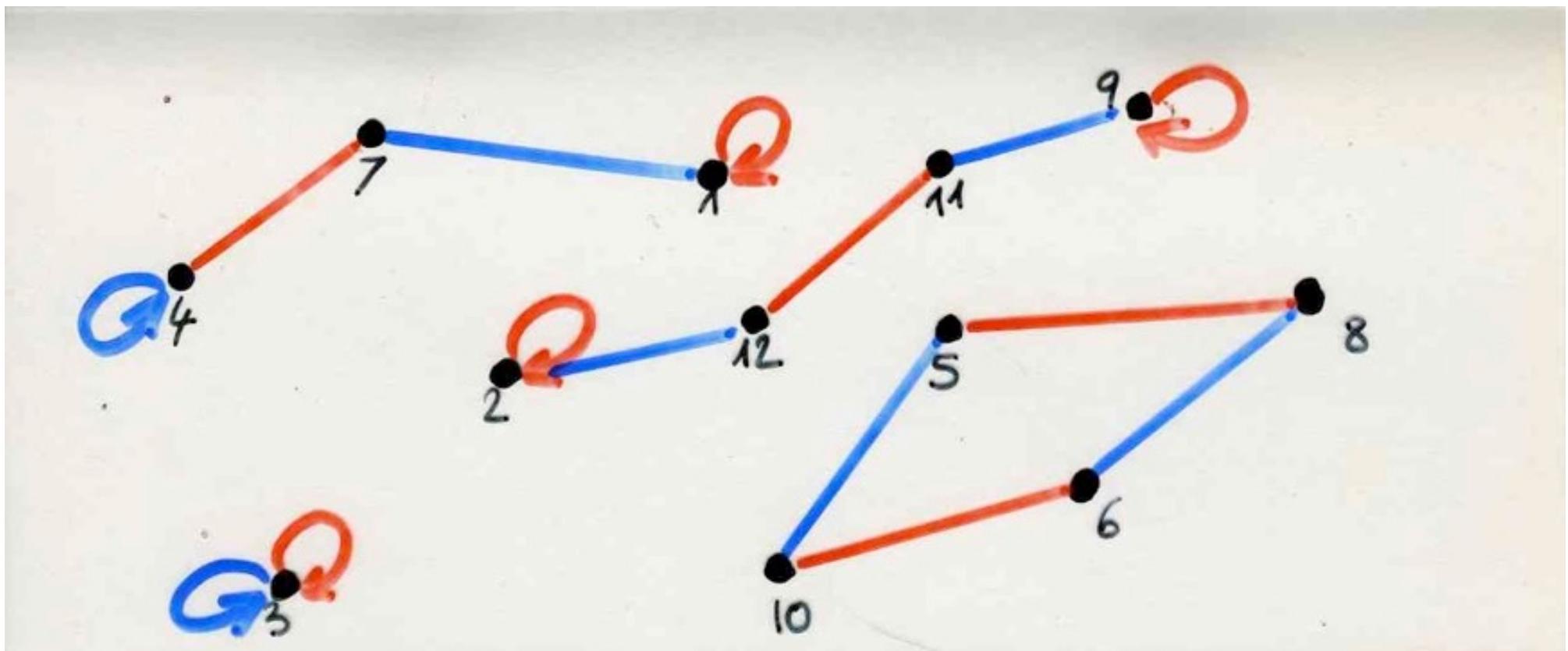
Mehler identity

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} H_n(x) H_n(y) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$= (1 - 4t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left[ \frac{4xyt - 4(x^2 + y^2)t^2}{1 - 4t^2} \right]$$

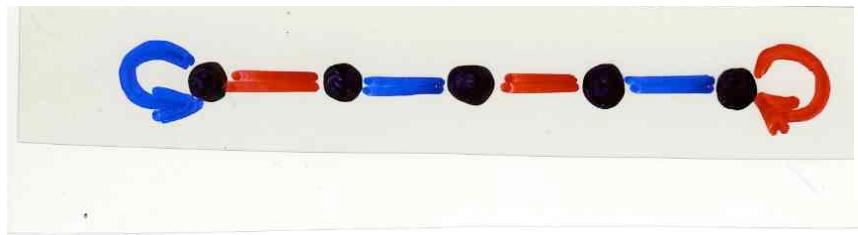


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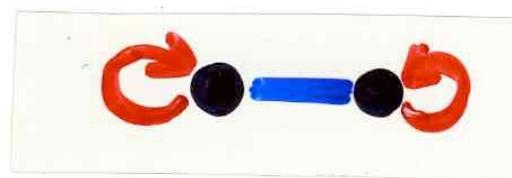


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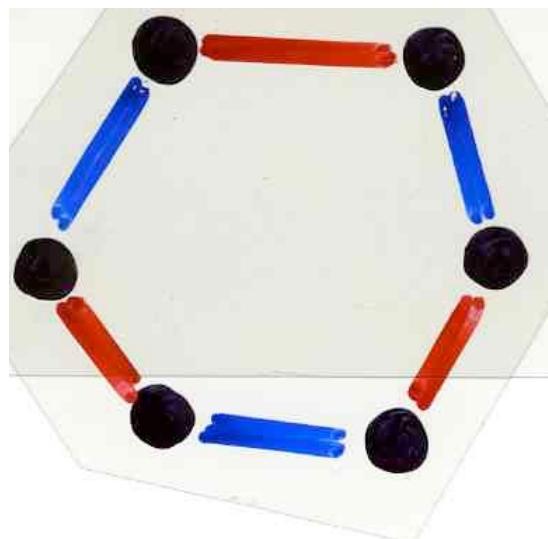
$$\frac{-4x^2t^2}{(1-4t^2)}$$



$$\frac{-4y^2t^2}{(1-4t^2)}$$

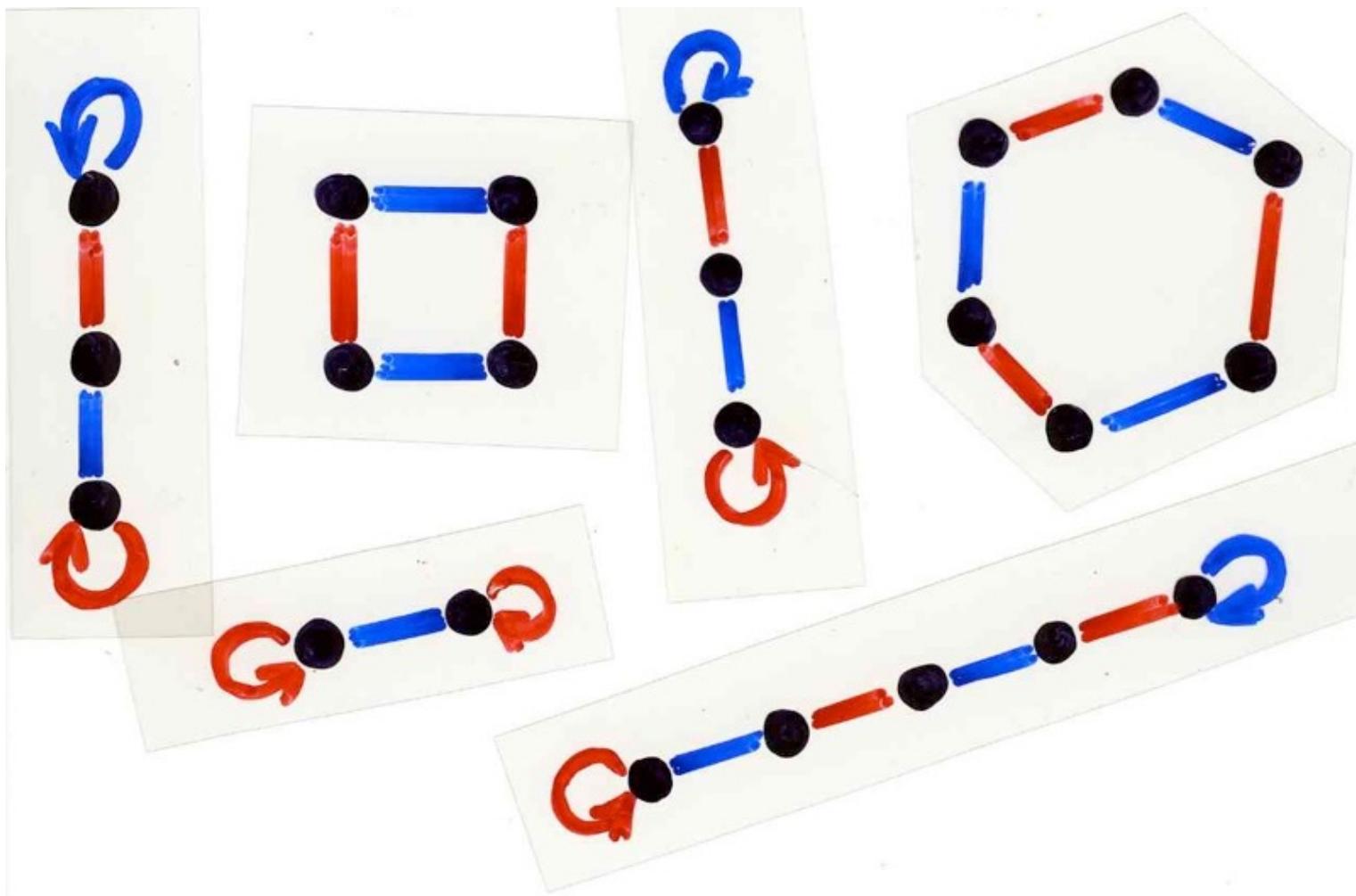
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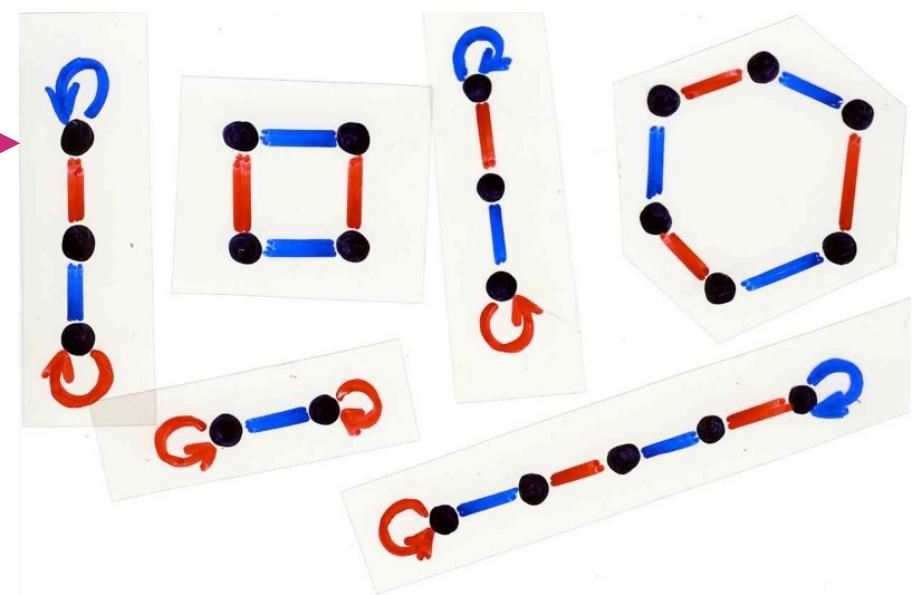
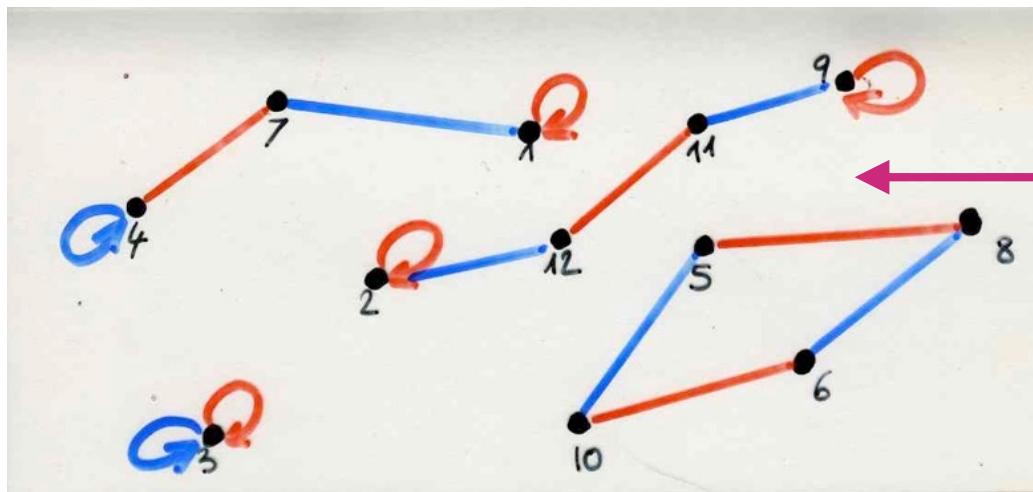
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Laguerre polynomials



Laguerre  
polynomials

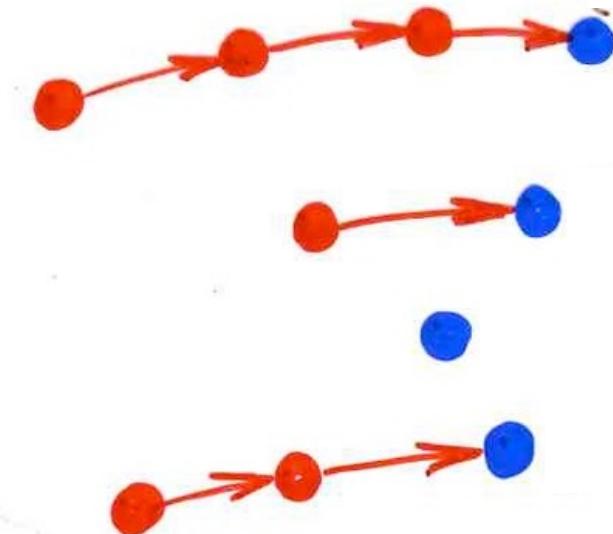
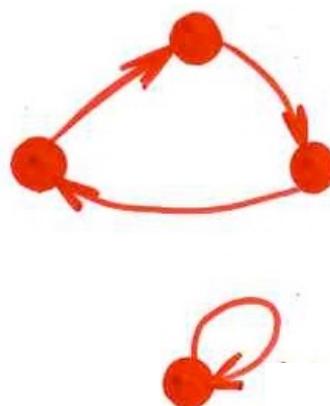
$$\tilde{L}_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \frac{(\alpha+1)_n}{n!} {}_1F_1\left(\begin{matrix} -n \\ \alpha+1 \end{matrix} \middle| x\right) \quad (\alpha > -1)$$

$$\tilde{L}_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$$

monic Laguerre  
(combinatorial) polynomial

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \tilde{L}_n^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{(1-t)^{\alpha+1}} \exp\left(\frac{-xt}{1-t}\right)$$

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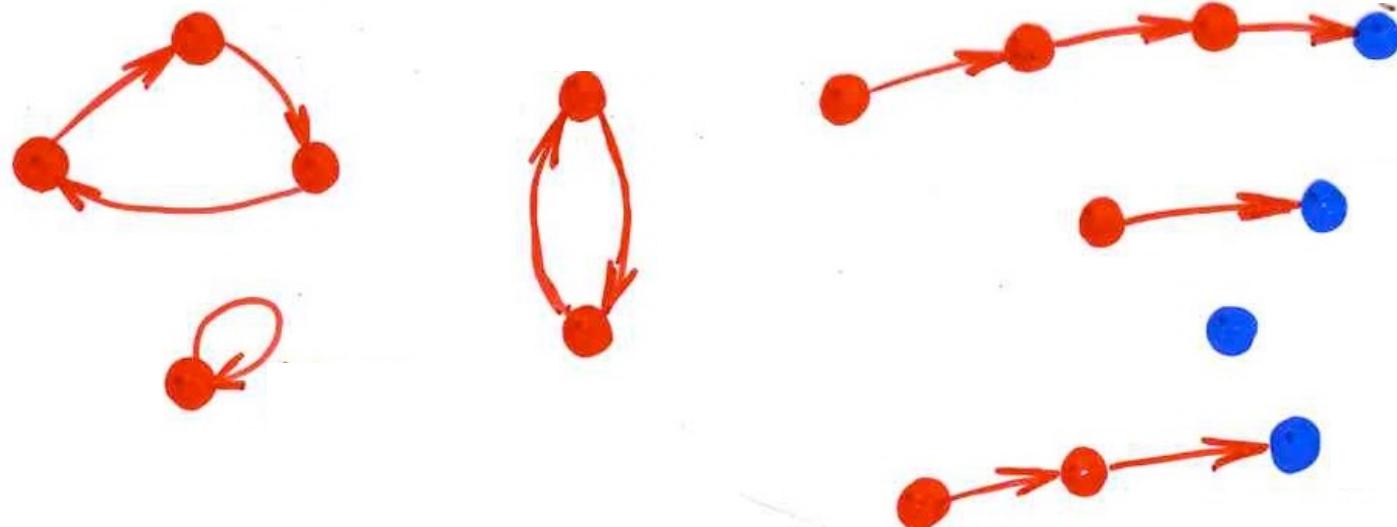


Laguerre configuration

$$f \in L[A, B]$$

$$\begin{aligned}E &= A \cup B \\A \cap B &= \emptyset\end{aligned}$$

injective map  
 $f : A \rightarrow E$

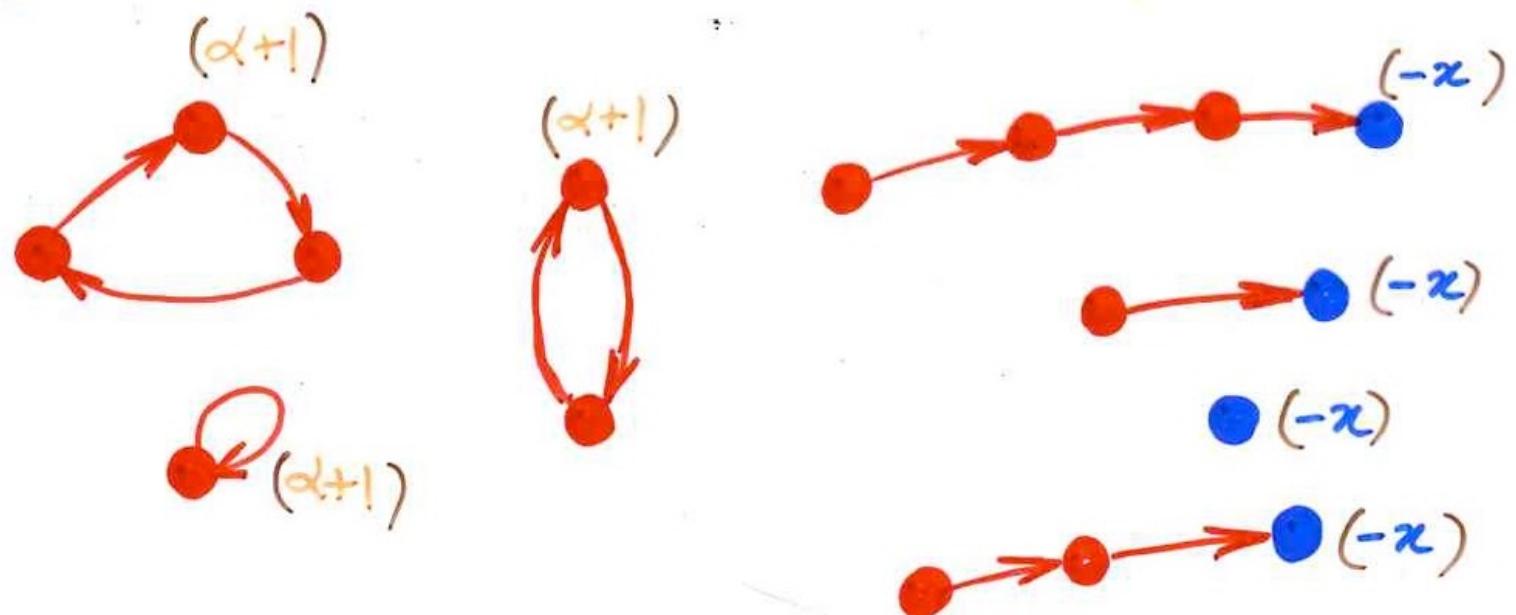


$$f \in L[A, B]$$

$$w(f) = (\alpha+1)^{\text{cyc}(f)} (-x)^{|B|}$$

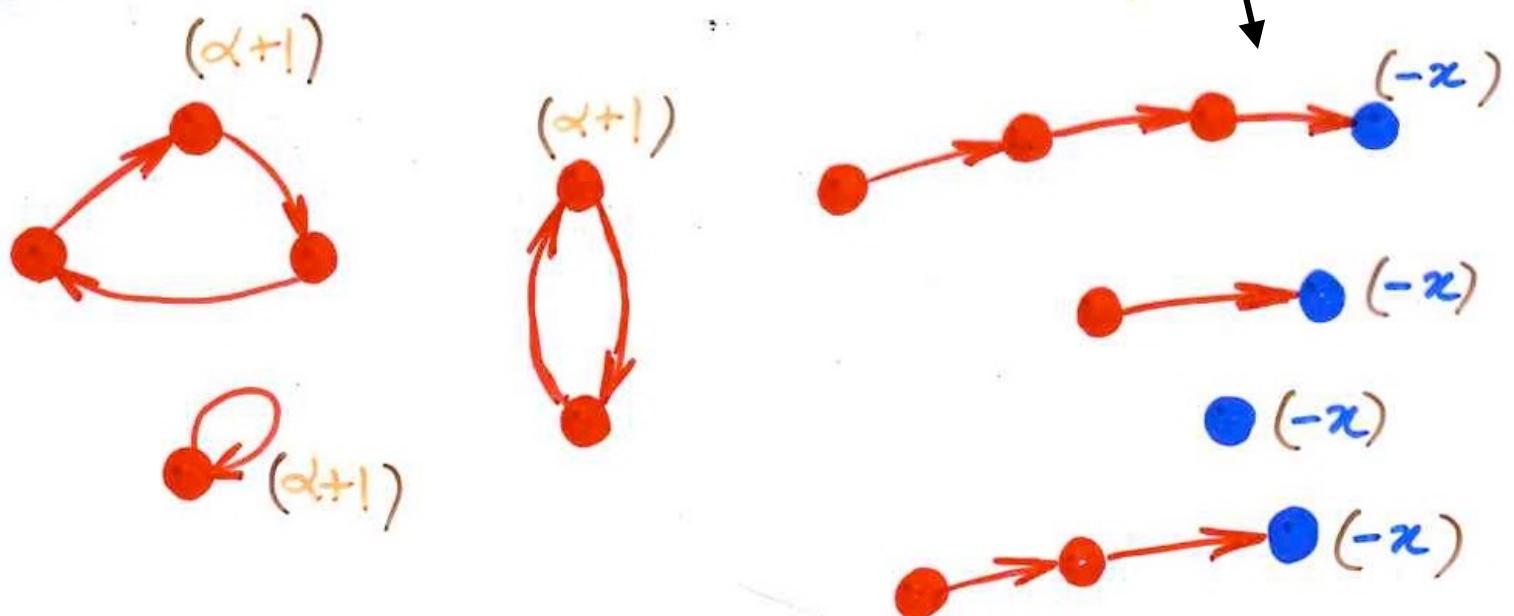
Proposition

$$\tilde{L}_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sum_{f \in L[A, B]} w(f)$$



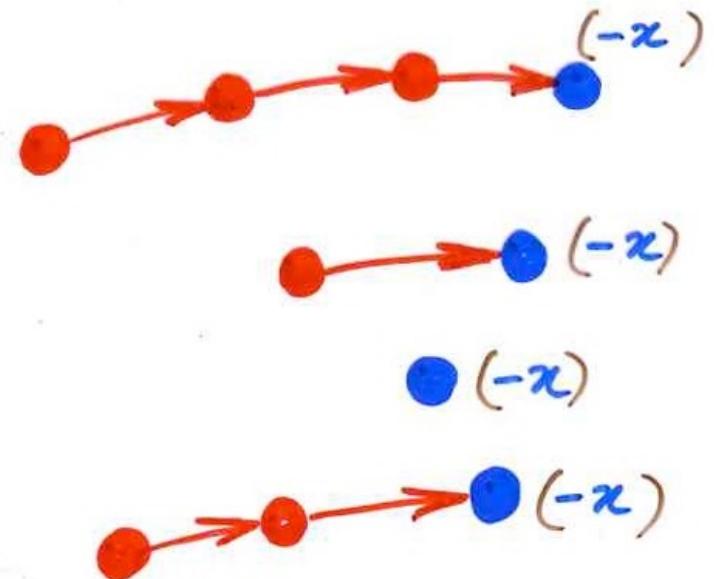
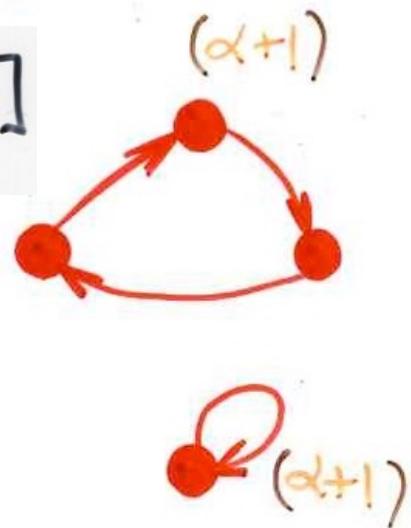
$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \tilde{L}_n^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{(1-t)^{\alpha+1}} \exp\left(\frac{-xt}{1-t}\right)$$

$$\exp\left((\alpha+1) \log \frac{1}{(1-t)}\right) = \exp\left(\log \frac{1}{(1-t)^{\alpha+1}}\right)$$



$$\tilde{L}_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sum_{i+j=n} \binom{n}{i} (\alpha+1+j)_i (-x)^j$$

$f \in L[A, B]$



Charlier polynomials

## Charlier polynomials

$$C_n^{(a)}(z) = {}_2F_0 \left[ \begin{matrix} -n, -z \\ - \end{matrix}; a^{-1} \right]$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} C_n^{(a)}(z) \frac{t^n}{n!} = e^t (1-t/a)^z$$



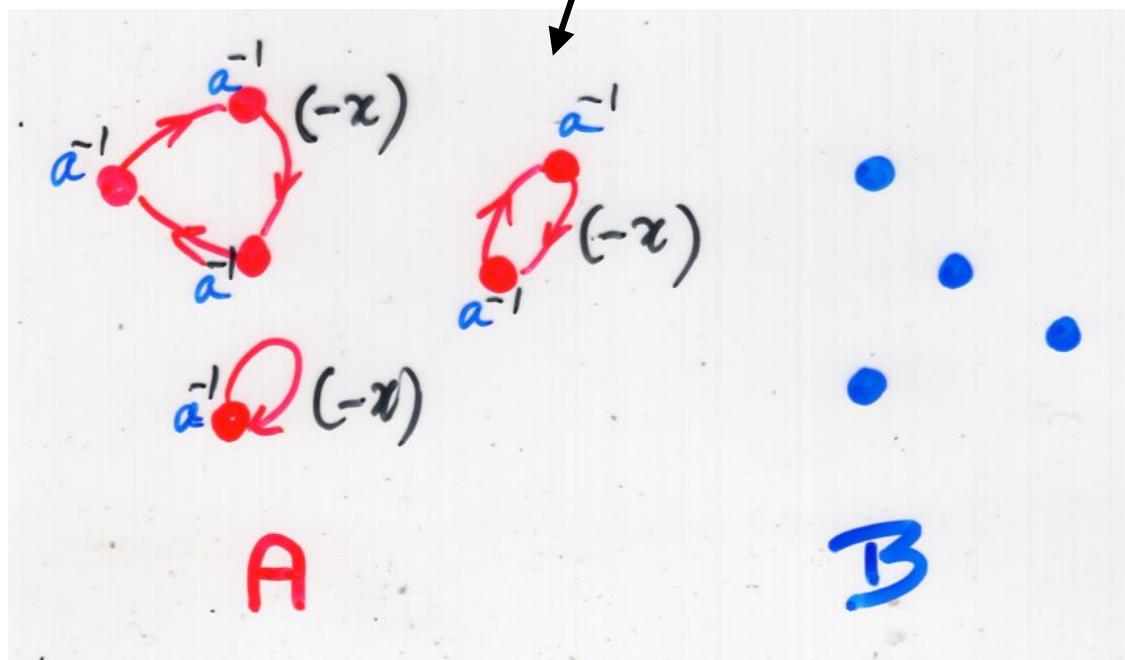
$$\frac{1}{(1-t/a)^{-z}}$$

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$$E = A \cup B$$

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

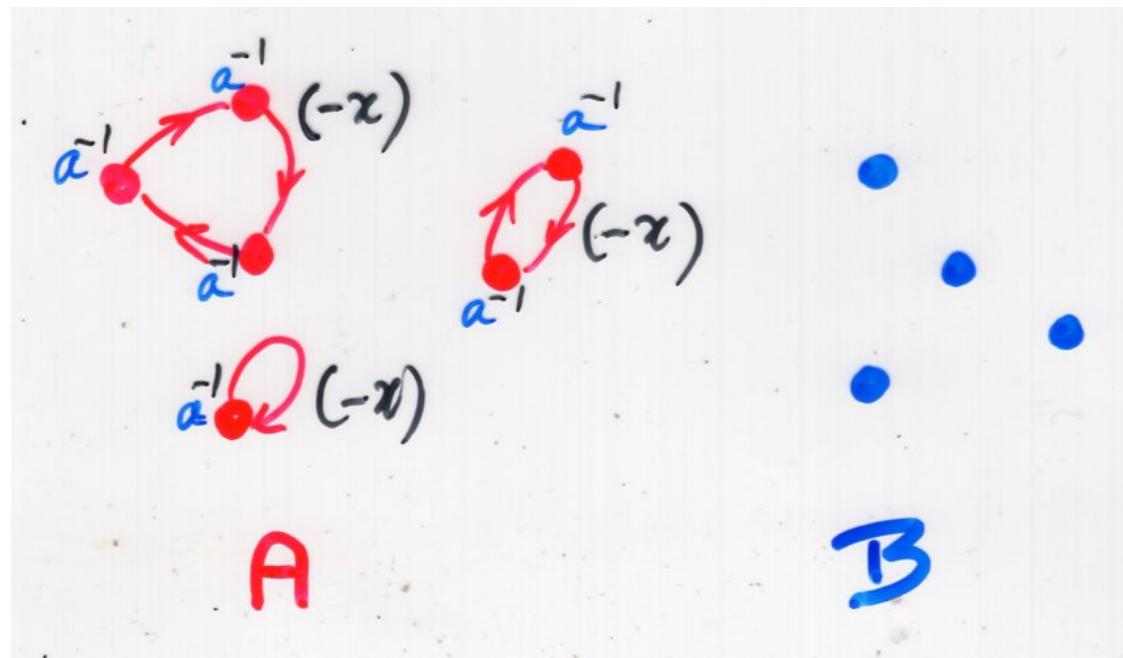
Charlier configurations



$$(\sigma, 1_B) \in C[A, B]$$

Charlier configurations

$$w(\sigma, 1_B) = (-x)^{\text{acyc}(\sigma)} (a^{-1})^{|A|}$$

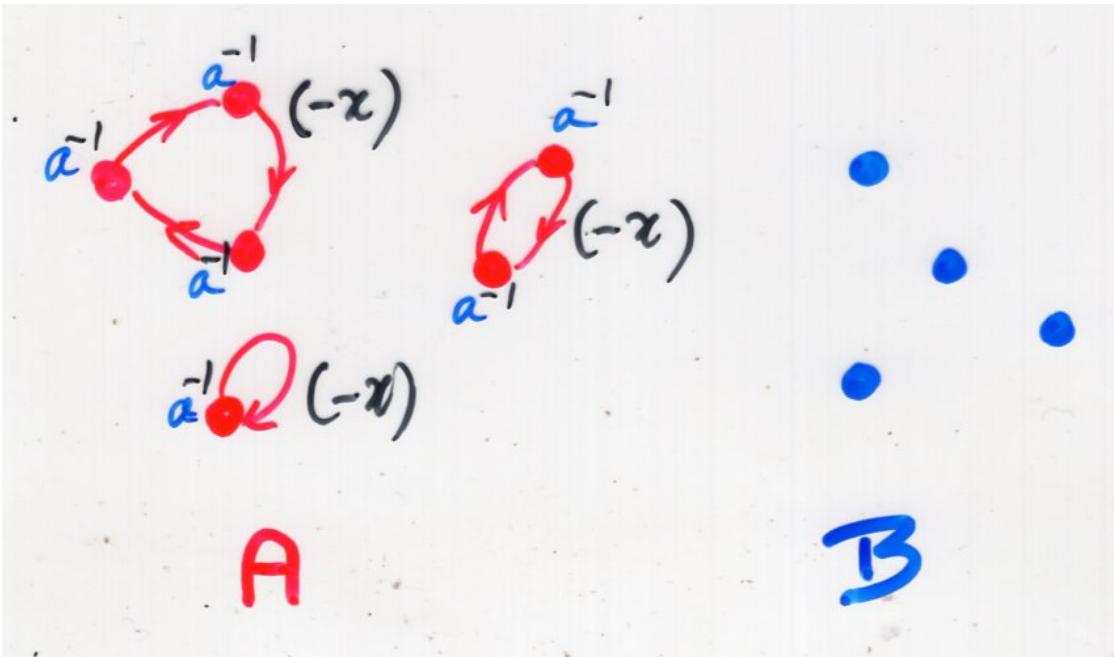


# Charlier polynomials

Proposition

$$C_n^{(a)}(x) = \sum_{(\sigma, \mathbb{A}) \in C[A, B]} w(\sigma, \mathbb{A}_B)$$

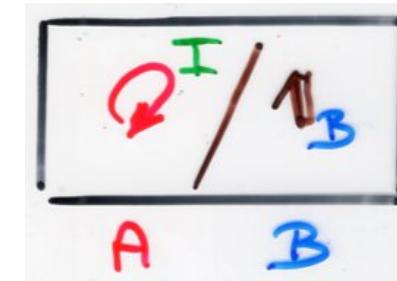
$$= \sum_{n \geq i \geq 0} \binom{n}{i} (a^{-1})^i (-x)_i$$



(A, B)

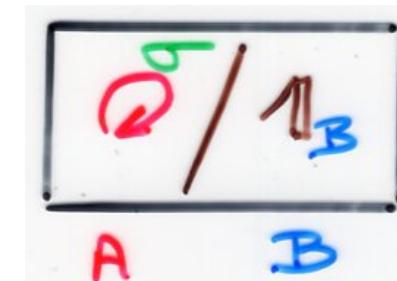
Hermite configurations

$$H[A, B] = I[A] \times \{1_B\}$$



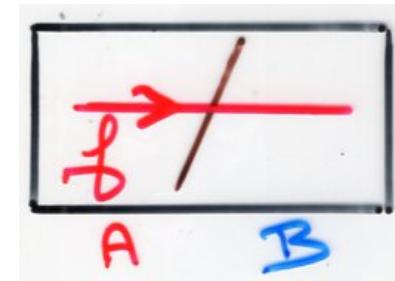
Charlier configurations

$$C[A, B] = S[A] \times \{1_B\}$$

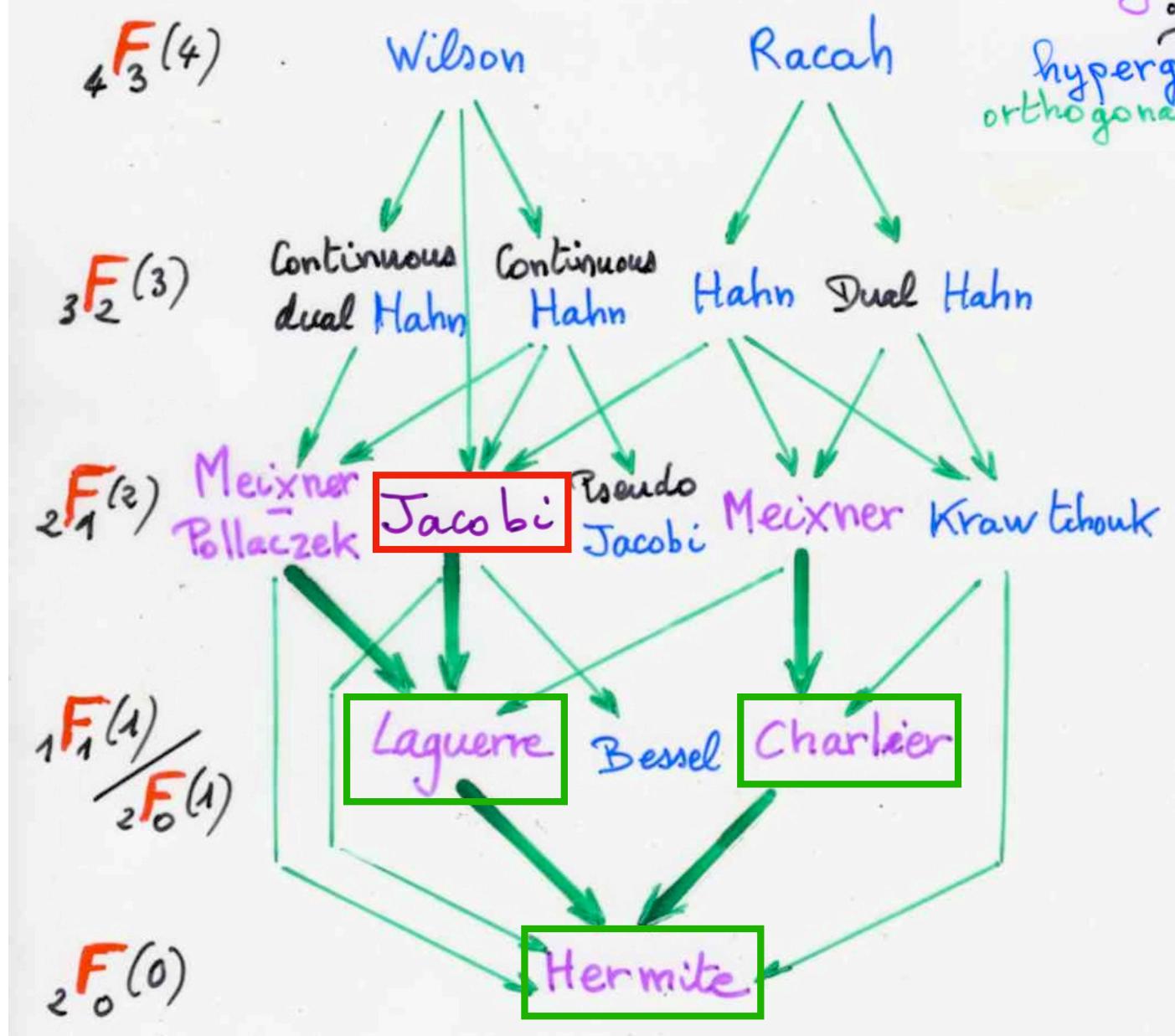


Laguerre configurations

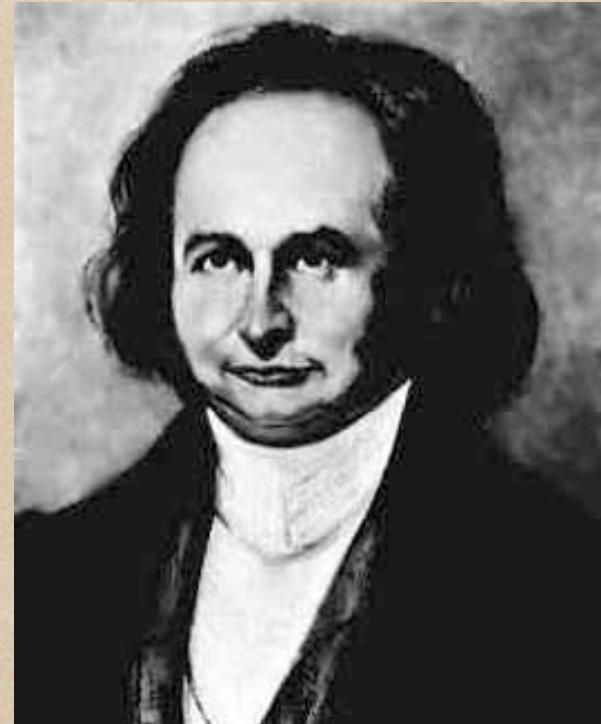
$$L[A, B] = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{injective map } f \\ \text{from } A \text{ to } A+B \end{array} \right\}$$



Askey scheme  
of  
hypergeometric  
orthogonal polynomials



# Jacobi polynomials



Carl Jacobi  
1804 - 1851

$$n! P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = (\alpha+1)_n {}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} -n, n+\alpha+\beta+1 \\ \alpha+1 \end{matrix}; \frac{(1-x)}{2} \right]$$

$$(1-x)^\alpha (1+x)^\beta P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) =$$

$$\frac{(-1)^n}{2^n n!} \left( \frac{d}{dx} \right)^n \left[ (1-x)^{n+\alpha} (1+x)^{n+\beta} \right]$$

$$P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = \sum_{0 \leq j \leq n} \binom{n+\alpha}{n-j} \binom{n+\beta}{j} \left( \frac{x-1}{2} \right)^{n-j} \left( \frac{x+1}{2} \right)^j$$

## Proposition

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) t^n = 2^{\alpha+\beta} R^{-1} (1-t+R)^{-\alpha} (1+t+R)^{-\beta}$$

$$R = (1 - 2xt + t^2)^{1/2}$$

$$P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(z) = \sum_{0 \leq j \leq n} \binom{n+\alpha}{n-j} \binom{n+\beta}{j} \left(\frac{z-1}{2}\right)^j \left(\frac{z+1}{2}\right)^{n-j}$$

$$n! P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(z) = P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}\left(\frac{z+1}{2}, \frac{z-1}{2}\right)$$

$$n! P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}\left(\frac{x+y}{x-y}\right) (x-y)^n = P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x, y)$$

$$P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x, y) = \sum \binom{n}{i} (\alpha+1+j)_i (\beta+1+i)_j x^i y^j$$

$$\begin{matrix} i, j \geq 0 \\ i + j = n \end{matrix}$$

## Proposition

$$R = (1 - 2xt + t^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) t^n = 2^{\alpha+\beta} R^{-1} (1-t+R)^{-\alpha} (1+t+R)^{-\beta}$$

$$Q = [1 - 2(x+y)t + (x-y)^2 t^2]^{1/2}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} P_n^{(\alpha+\beta)}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{n!} = 2^{\alpha+\beta} Q^{-1} [1 - (x-y)t + Q^{-\alpha} [1 - (y-x)t + Q]^{-\beta}]$$

Foata, Leroux (1983)

Jacobi endofunctions  $\Phi$

(A, B)

$$E = A \cup B$$
$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

- ordered partition (A, B) of E
- endofunction  $\Phi : E \rightarrow E$

such that the restrictions

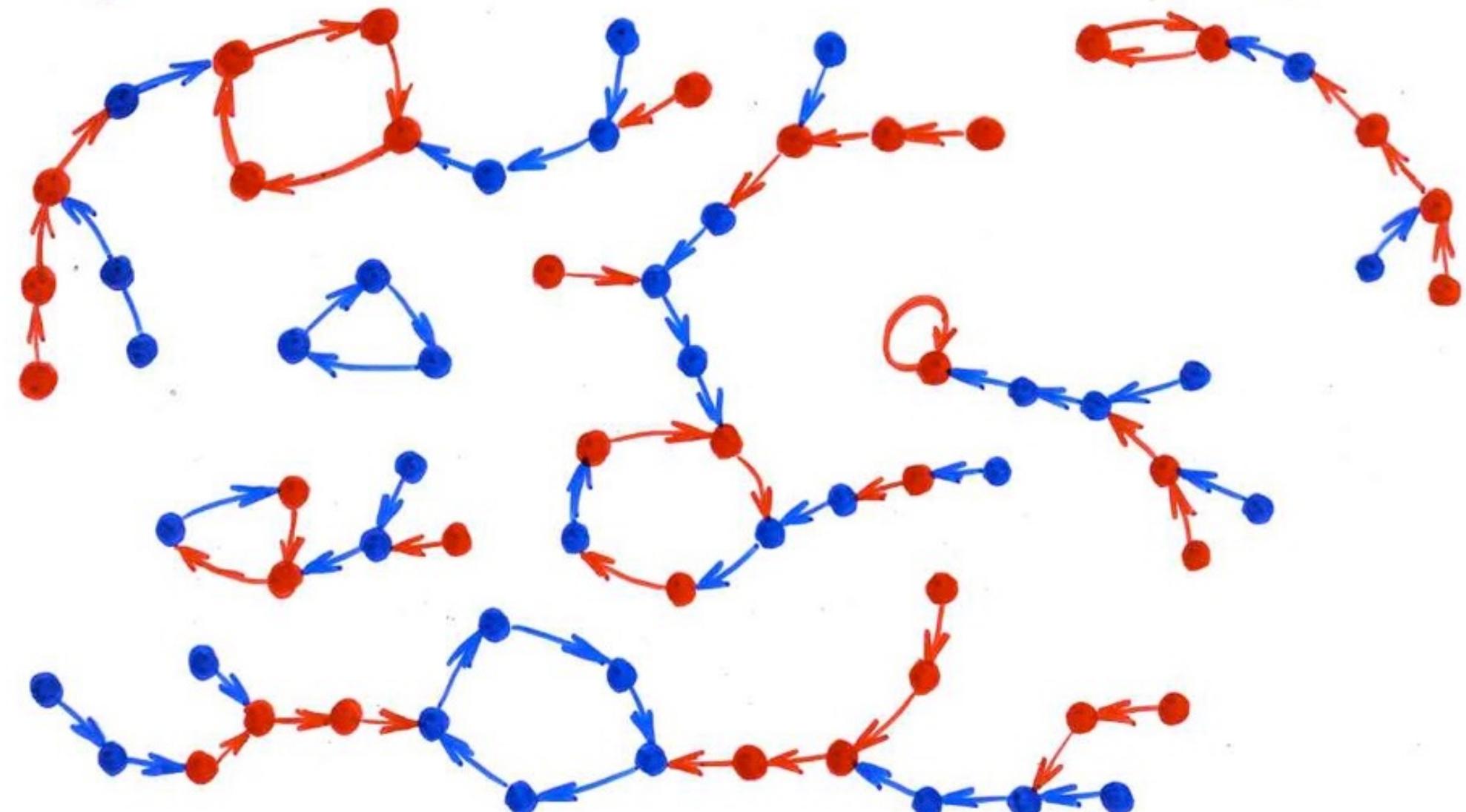
$$f = \Phi|_A : A \rightarrow E \text{ and } g = \Phi|_B : B \rightarrow E$$

are injective

(A, B)

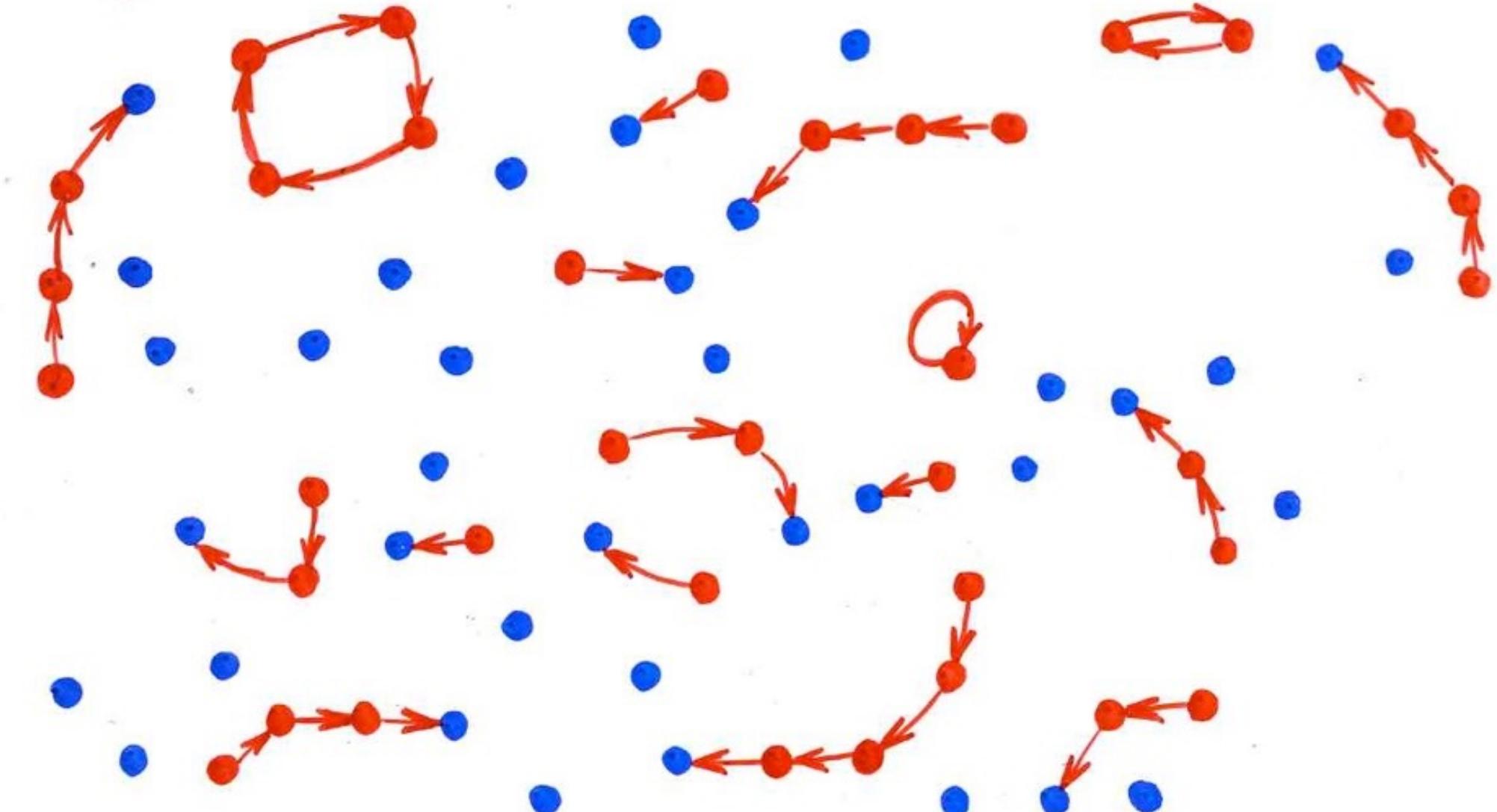
f : A → A + B

A + B ← B : g

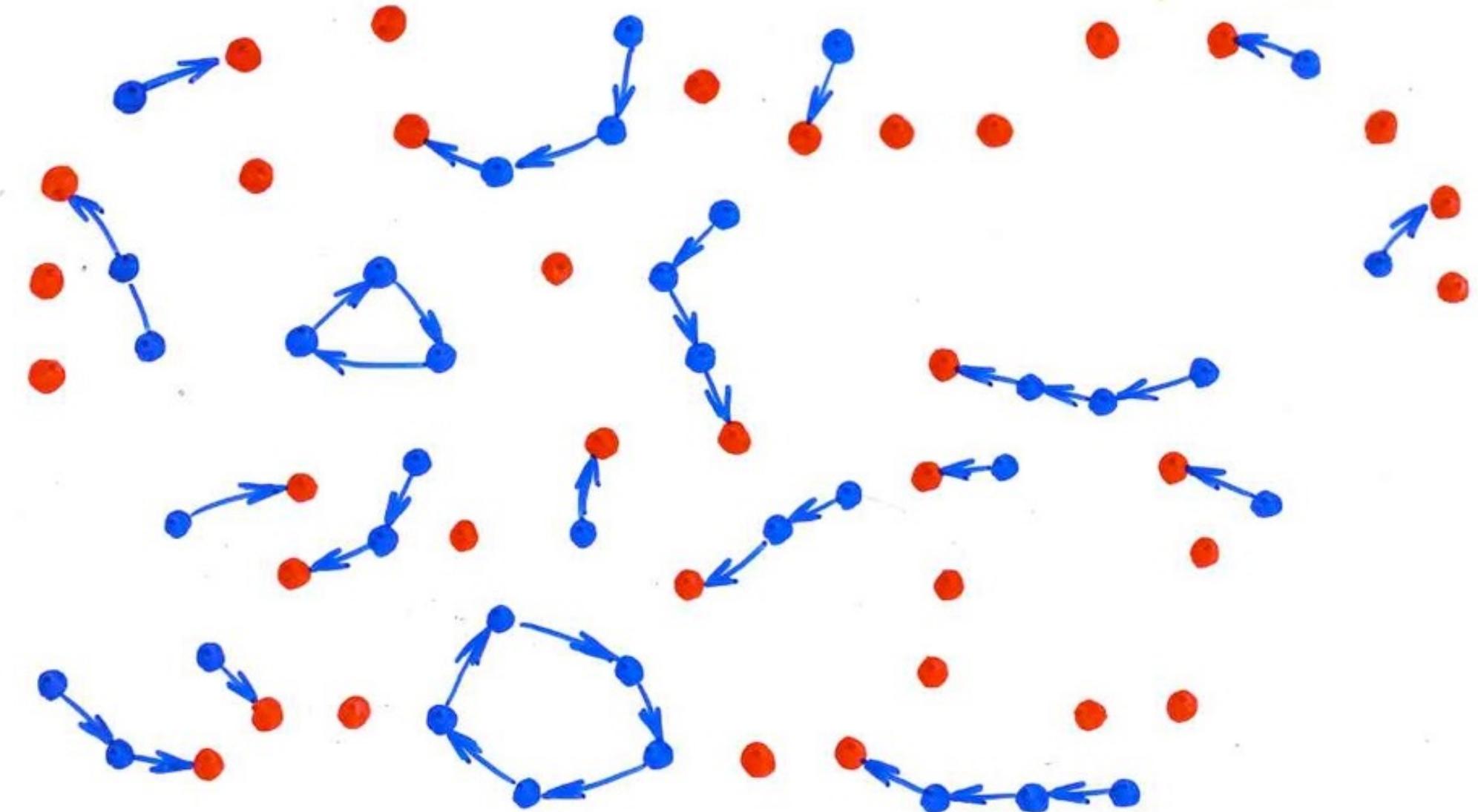


(A, B)

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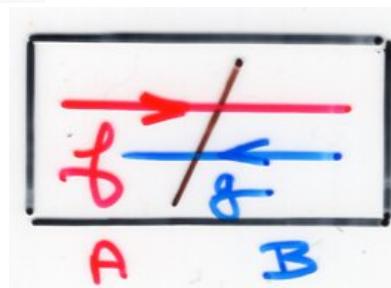


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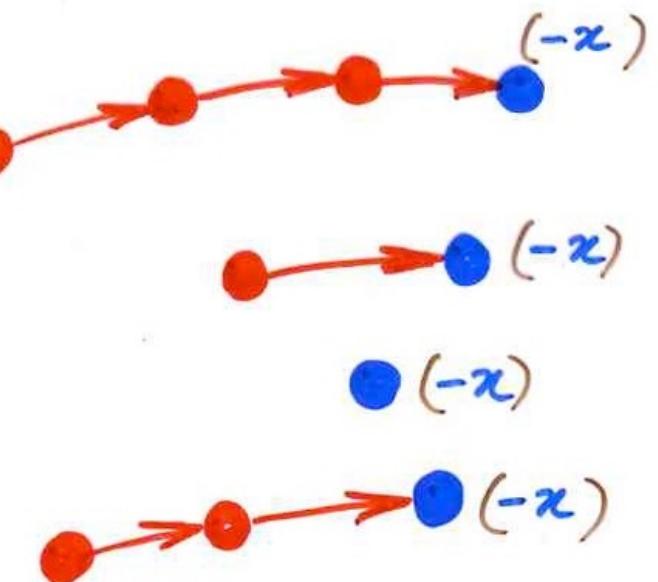
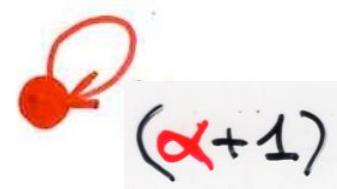
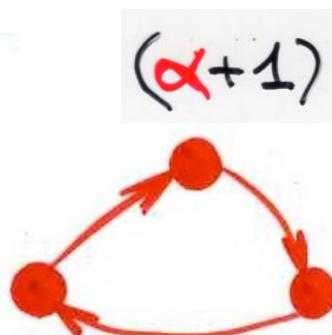


## Jacobi configurations

$$J[A, B] = L[A, B] \times L[B, A]$$

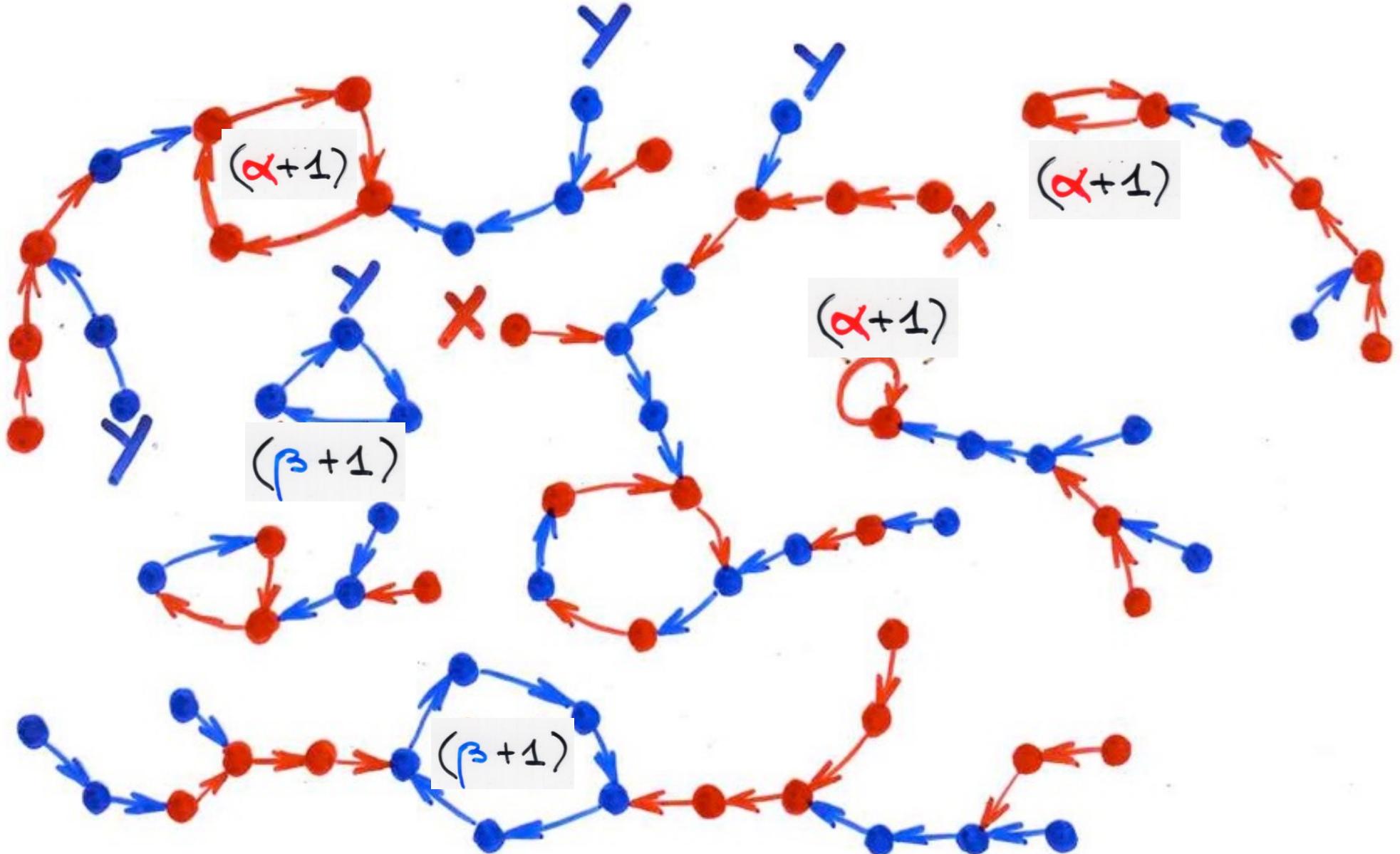


## Laguerre configuration



$(f, g) \in L[A, B]$

$$w(f, g) = (\alpha+1)^{\text{cyc}(f)} (\beta+1)^{\text{cyc}(g)} \times |A| \times |B|$$



$$(f, g) \in L[A, B]$$

$$w(f, g) = (\alpha+1)^{\text{cyc}(f)} (\beta+1)^{\text{cyc}(g)} x^{|A|} y^{|B|}$$

Theorem  $|E|=n$   $(A, B)$

$$\mathcal{P}_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x, y) = \sum_{(f, g) \in J[A, B] = L[A, B] \times L[B, A]} w(f, g)$$

$$(A, B)$$

$$|A| = i, |B| = j$$

$$f: A \rightarrow E, g: B \rightarrow E$$

$$w(f) = (\alpha+1)^{\text{cyc}(f)} x^i$$

$$w(g) = (\beta+1)^{\text{cyc}(g)} y^j$$

$$\sum_{(f,g) \in J[A,B]} w(f,g) = \sum_{f \in L[A,B]} w(f) \cdot \sum_{g \in L[B,A]} w(g)$$

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$$(\alpha+1+j)x^i$$

$$(\beta+1+i)_j y^j$$

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$$P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x, y) = \sum \binom{n}{i} (\alpha+1+j)_i (\beta+1+i)_j x^i y^j$$

$$\begin{matrix} i, j \geq 0 \\ i + j = n \end{matrix}$$

Theorem

$$P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x, y) = \sum_{(f,g) \in J[A,B]} w(f,g)$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{P}_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{(f, g) \in J[A, B]} w(f, g) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$\phi_w(t)$$

type  $a$   
type  $b$   
type  $m$

$$\phi_w(t)$$

$$\phi_v(t)$$

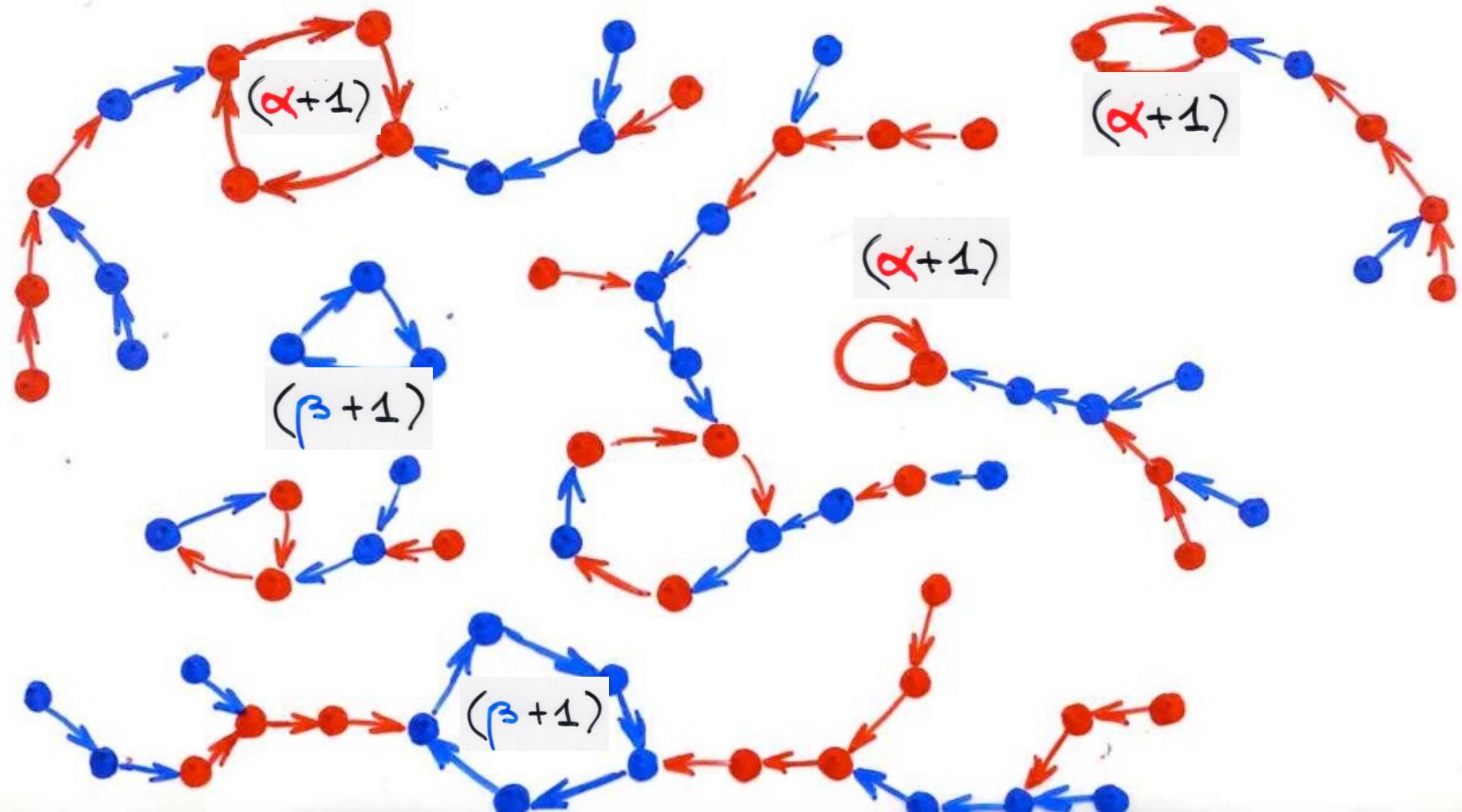
$$v(f, g) = x^{|A|} y^{|B|} \quad \alpha = \beta = 0$$

Lemme

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_v(t) &= \phi_a(t) \phi_b(t) \phi_m(t) \\ \phi_w(t) &= \phi_\alpha(t) \phi_\beta(t) \phi_m(t)\end{aligned}$$

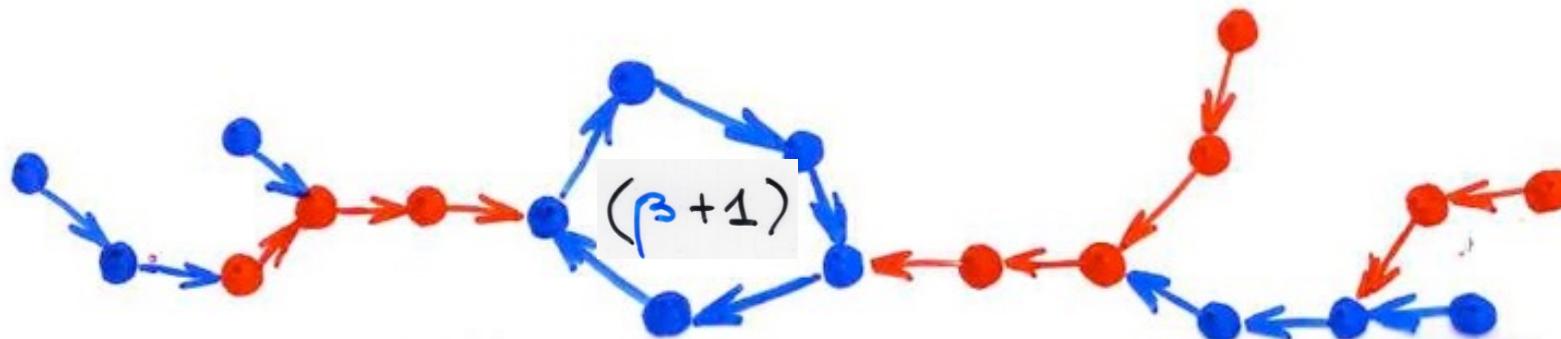
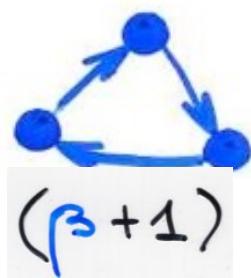
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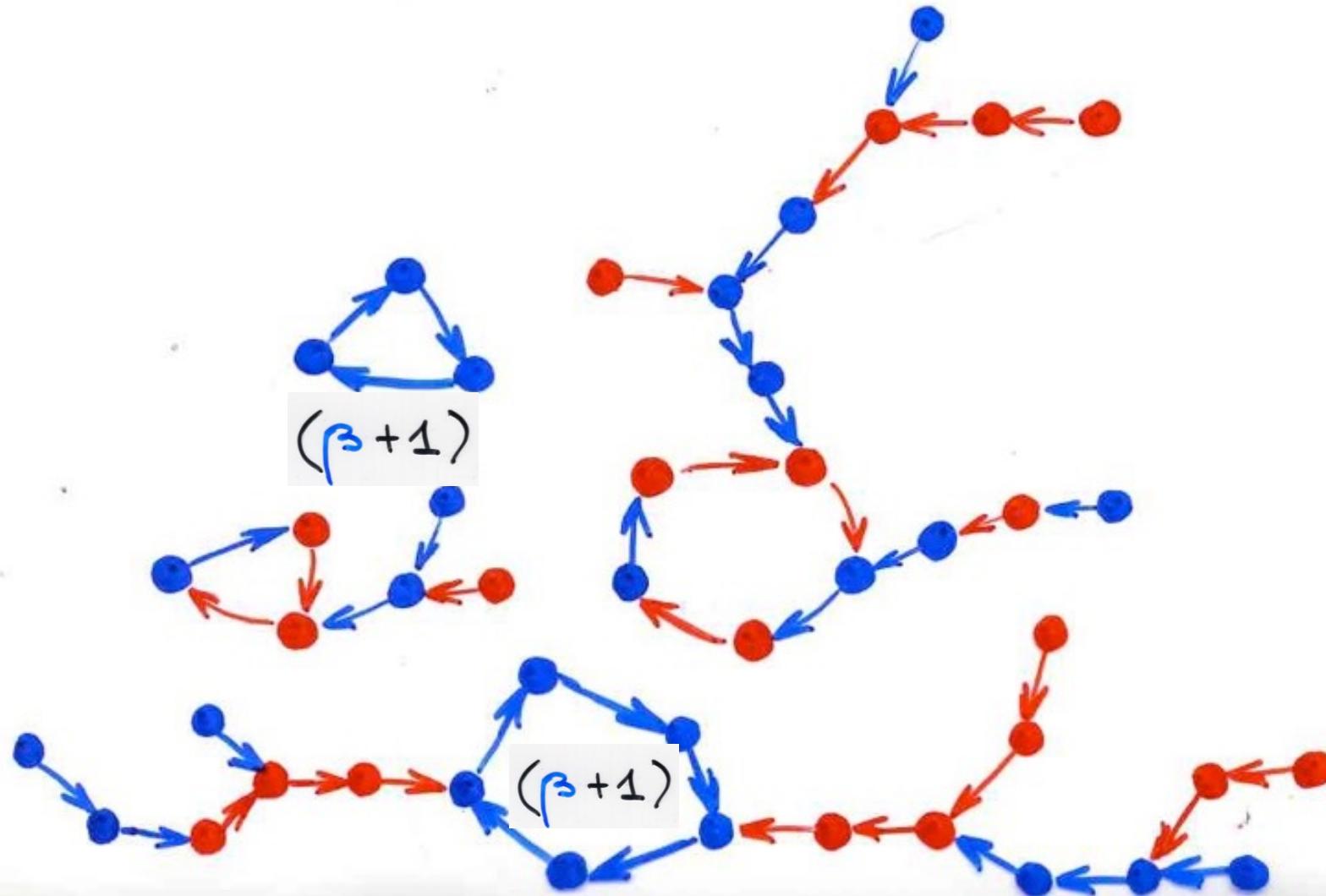
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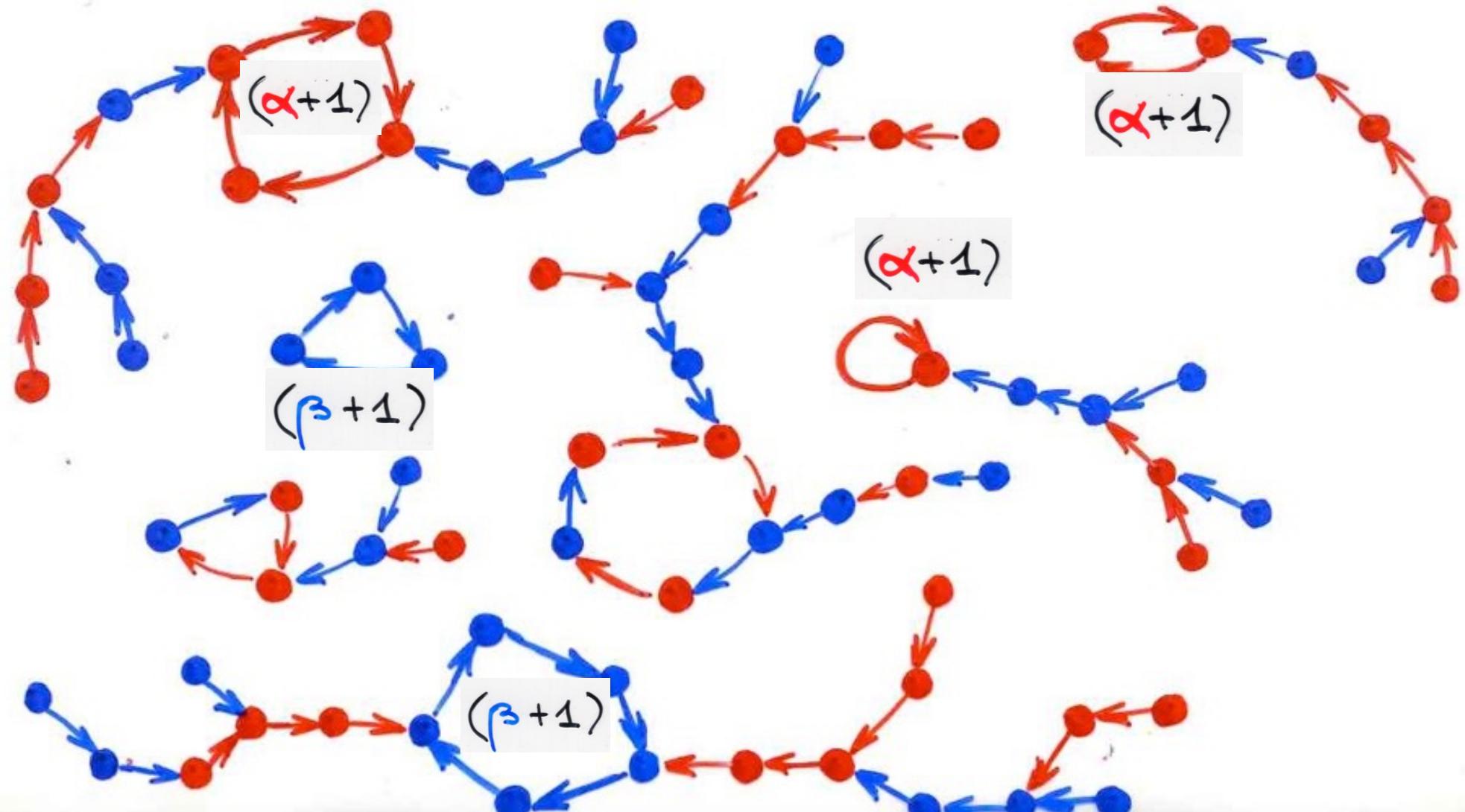
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$$\phi_w(t) = \phi_\alpha(t) \phi_\beta(t) \phi_m(t)$$



Lemme

$$\phi_\alpha(\epsilon) = (\phi_a(\epsilon))^{\alpha+1}$$

$$\phi_\beta(\epsilon) = (\phi_b(\epsilon))^{\beta+1}$$

$(f, g) \in L[A, B]$  type a  $\not\models$  connected components

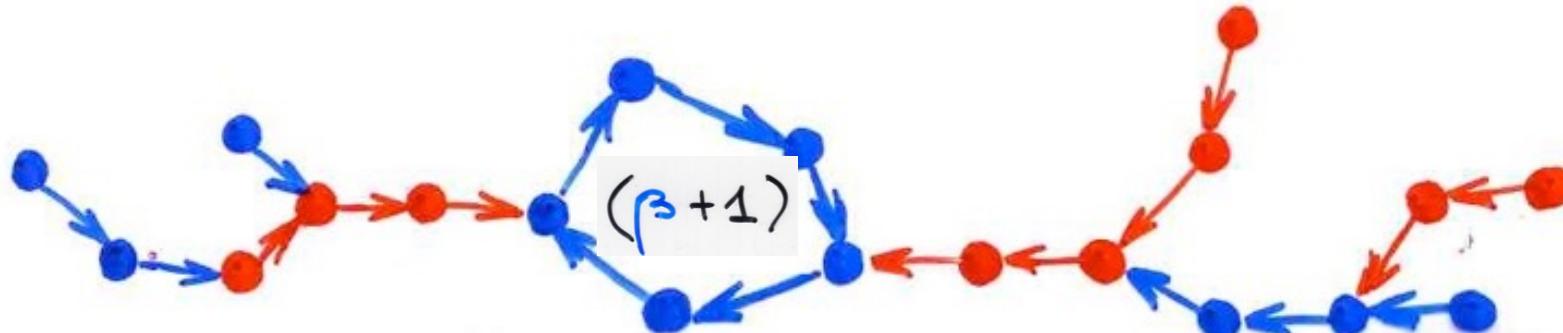
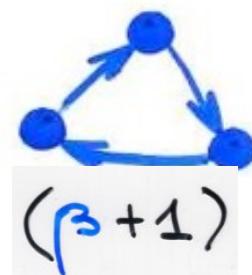
$$w(f, g) = (\alpha+1)^k w(f_1, g_1) \cdots (f_k, g_k)$$

$(f, g) \in L[A, B]$

type a

$k$  connected components

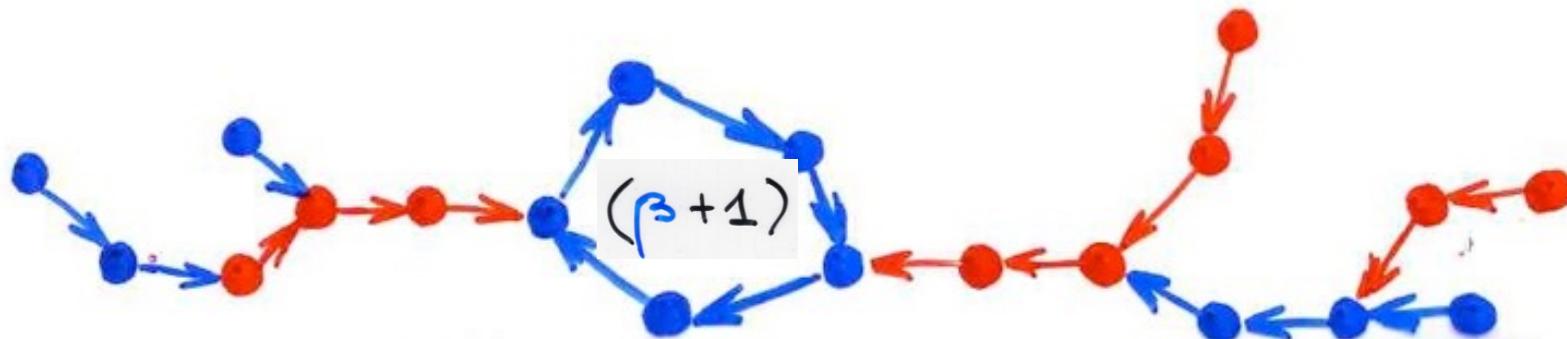
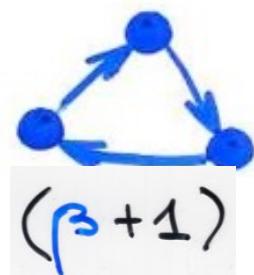
$$w(f, g) = (\alpha + 1)^k w(f_1, g_1) \cdots (f_k, g_k)$$



$$\phi_\alpha(t) = \exp \phi_{\alpha,c}(t)$$

Lemme

$$\begin{aligned} &= \exp((\alpha+1) \phi_{\alpha,c}(t)) \\ &= (\phi_\alpha(t))^{\alpha+1} \end{aligned}$$



we want to prove

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} P_n^{(\alpha+\beta)}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{n!} = 2^{\alpha+\beta} R^{-1} [1-(x-y)t+R]^{-\alpha} [1-(y-x)t+R]^{-\beta}$$

$$\phi_w(t) = \phi_\alpha(t) \phi_\beta(t) \phi_m(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_\alpha(t) &= (\phi_a(t))^{\alpha+1} \\ \phi_\beta(t) &= (\phi_b(t))^{\beta+1}\end{aligned}$$

It is sufficient to prove:

$$\phi_m = R^{-1}$$

$$\phi_a(t) = 2 [1-(x-y)t+R]^{-1}$$

$$\phi_b(t) = 2 [1-(y-x)t+R]^{-1}$$

$$C_a(t)$$

$$C_b(t)$$

exponential generating function  
for contraction type  $a, b$

connected Jacobi configuration

• type  $a$  with unique cycle of length 1

Lemme

$$\phi_a(t) = (1 - C_a(t))^{-1}$$

$$\phi_b(t) = (1 - C_b(t))^{-1}$$

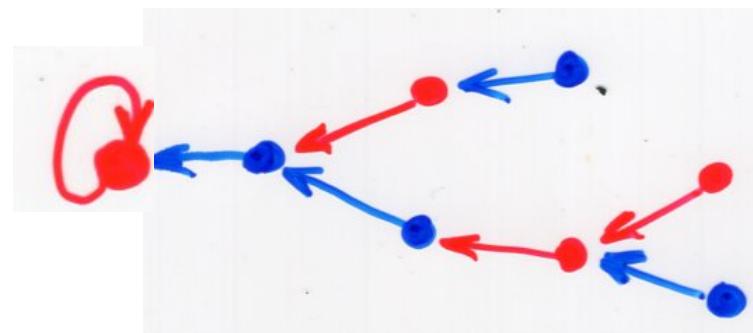
$$\phi_m(t) = [1 - (C_a(t) + C_b(t))]^{-1}$$

$C_a(t)$

$C_b(t)$

connected Jacobi configuration

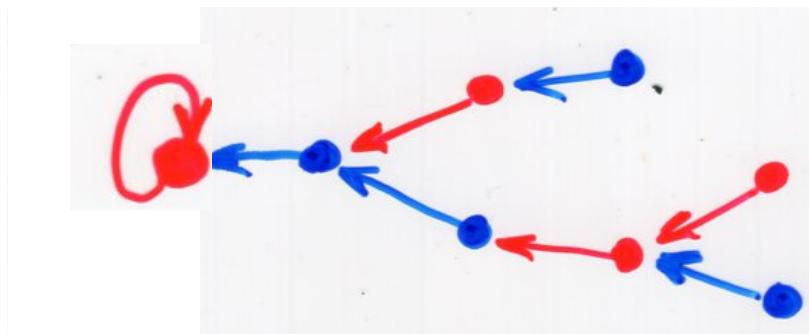
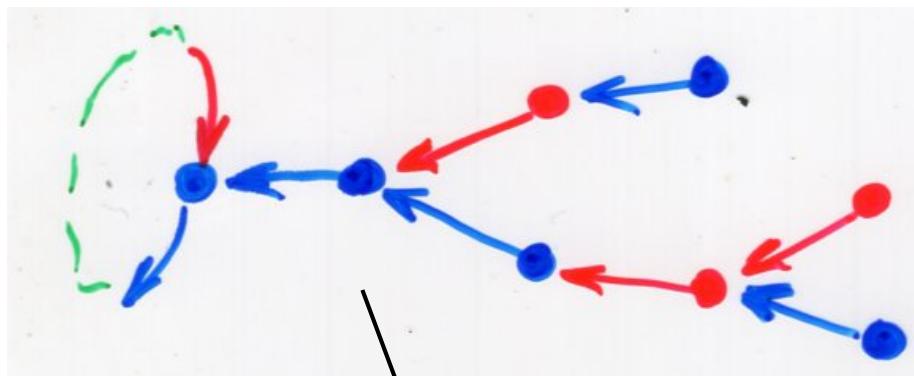
• type a with unique cycle of length 1



$$\phi_a(t) = (1 - \dot{C}_a(t))^{-1}$$

$$\phi_b(t) = (1 - \dot{C}_b(t))^{-1}$$

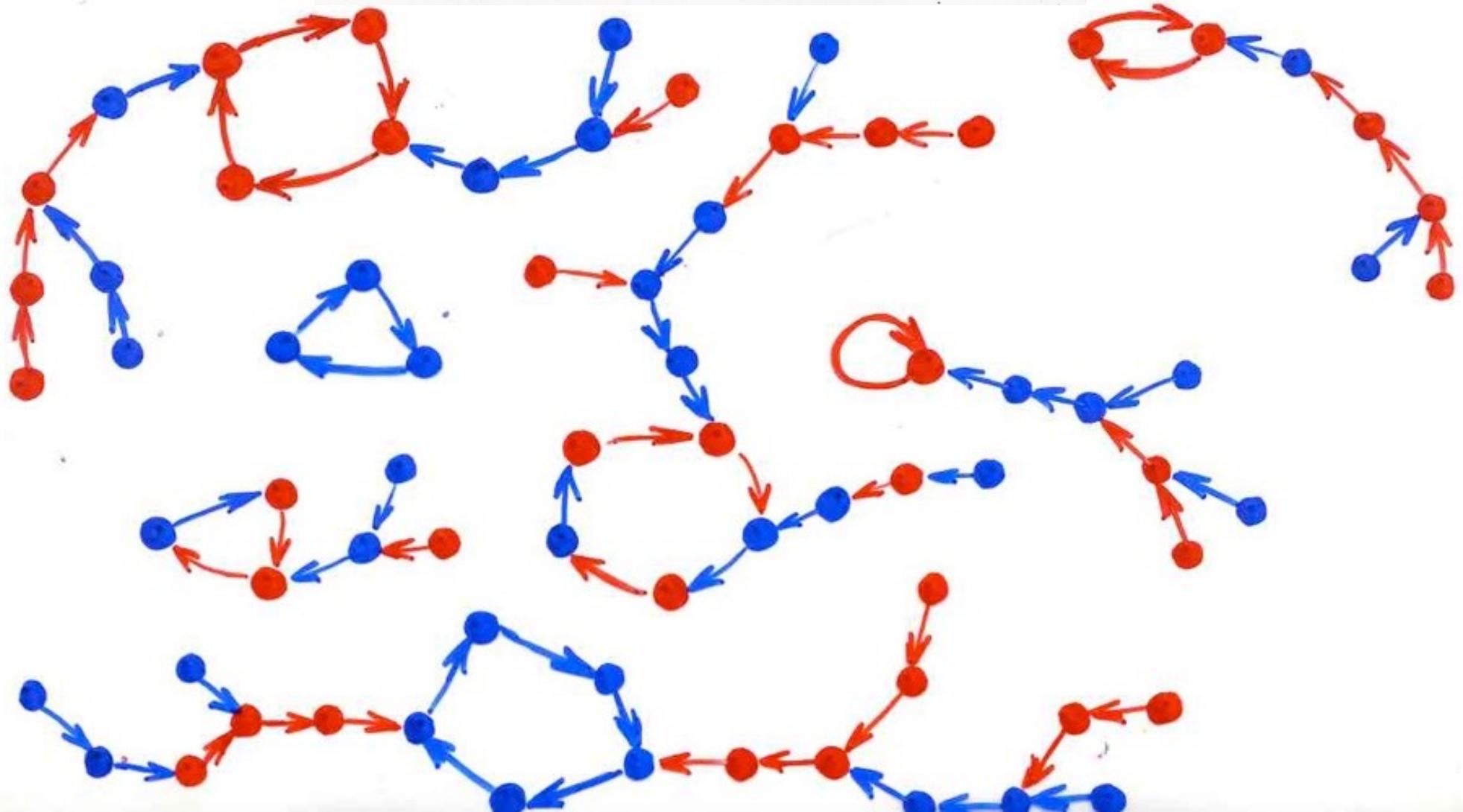
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$$\phi_b(t) = (1 - \dot{C}_b(t))^{-1}$$

$$\phi_m(t) = [1 - (C_a(t) + C_b(t))]^{-1}$$

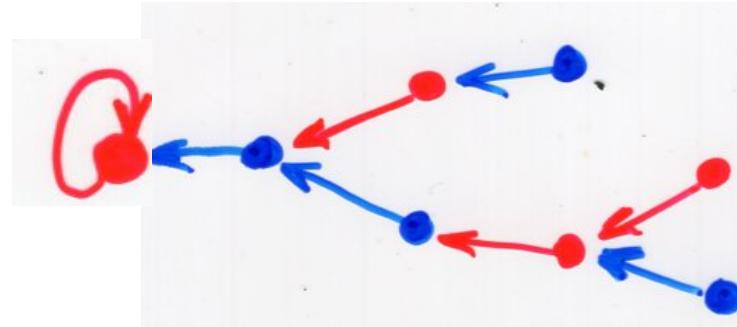


$C_a(t)$

$C_b(t)$

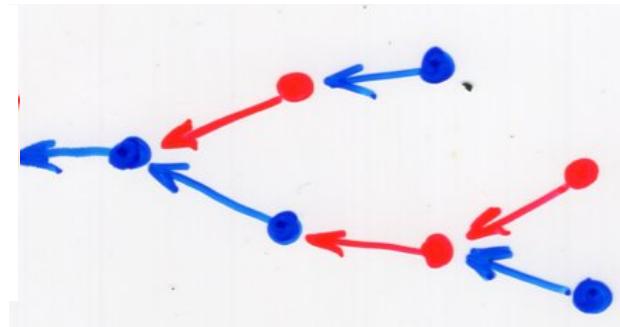
connected Jacobi configuration

type a with unique cycle of length 1



Jacobi arborescence

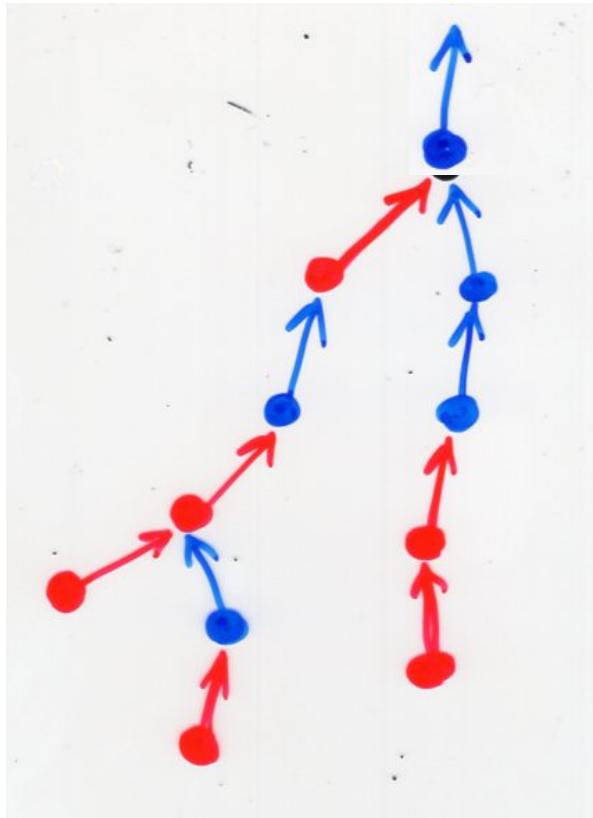
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Jacobi arborescence  $\psi$  "unlabeled"

$A(t)$

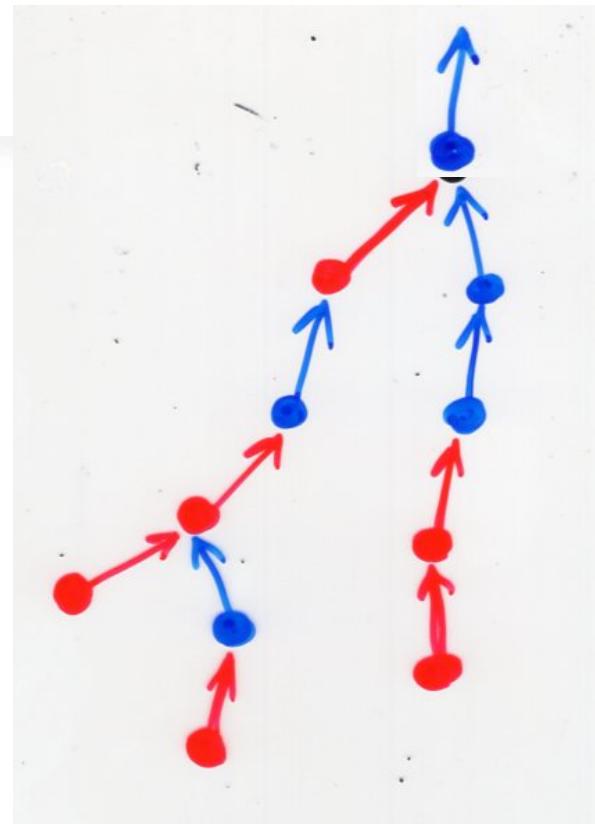
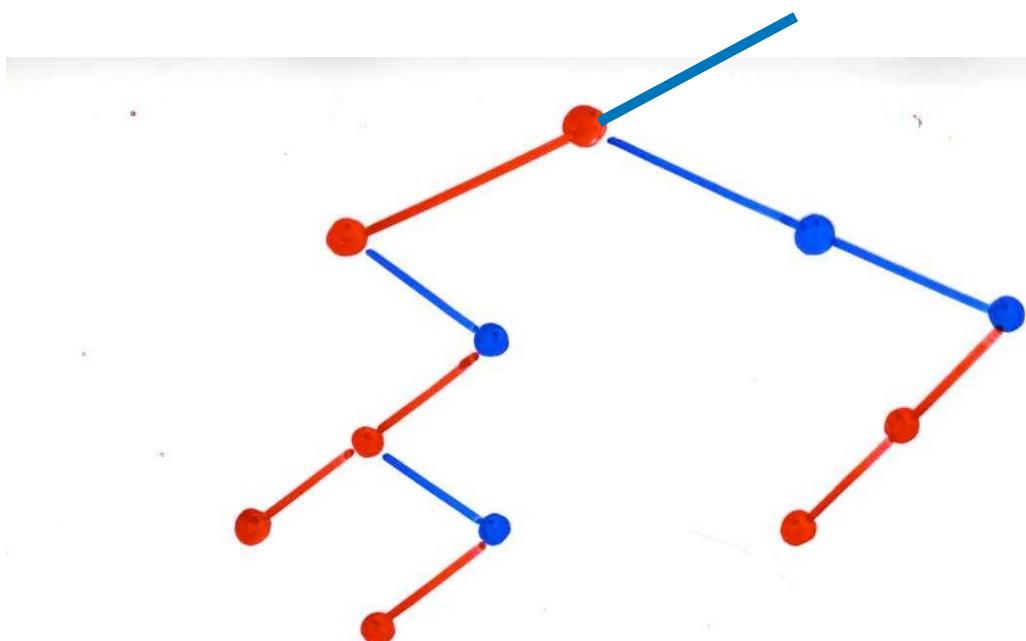
ordinary generating function  
Jacobi arborescence,  $\nabla$  weight



$$y = \sum_{n \geq 0} c_n t^n$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 0} (n! c_n) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

"labeled" binary tree



Jacobi arborescence  $\psi$  "unlabeled"

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$$A(t) = t (1 + X A(t)) (1 + Y A(t))$$

$$X Y t (A(t))^2 + ((X+Y)t - 1) A(t) + t = 0$$

$$A(t) = \frac{(1 - (X+Y)t - R)}{2XYt}$$

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We have proved

$$\phi_m = \mathcal{R}^{-1}$$

$$\phi_a(t) = e^{[(x-y)t + \mathcal{R}]^{-1}}$$

$$\phi_b(t) = e^{[(y-x)t + \mathcal{R}]^{-1}}$$

It was sufficient to prove  
these 3 identities



Jacobi polynomials

$$[x(1+\alpha+\delta_y) + y(1+\beta+\delta_x)] [D_x + D_y] \mathcal{P}_n^{(\alpha, \beta)} = \\ (1+\alpha+\beta+n) n \mathcal{P}_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}$$

Leroux, Strehl (1985)

Limit formula

# limit formula

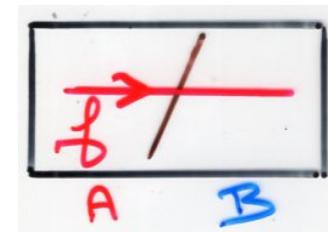
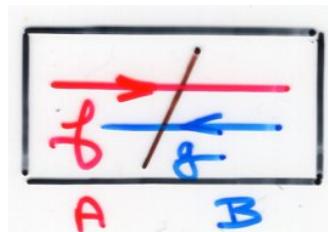
example

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(1 - 2x\beta^{-1}) = L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$$

Jacobi



Laguerre



J. Labelle, Y.N. Yeh (1989)

$$P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(1 - 2x\beta^{-1}) = \sum \bar{w}(f, g)$$

$$(f, g) \in J[A, B]$$

$$\bar{w}(f, g) = (\alpha+1)^{\text{cyc}(f)} (\beta+1)^{\text{cyc}(g)} (1 - x\beta^{-1})^{|A|} (-x\beta^{-1})^{|B|}$$

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \bar{w}(f, g) = 0 \quad \text{unless } \text{cyc}(g) = |B|$$

i.e.  $g = 1_B$

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} w(f, 1_B) = (\alpha+1)^{\text{acyc}(f)}(-x)^{|B|}$$

$$= w(f)$$

$f \in L[A, B]$   
Laguerre configuration



