# The birth of the strong components 

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Simple digraph. Labeled vertices, unlabeled directed edges, loops and multiple edges forbidden


What about 2-cycles? Distinction between strict and simple digraphs.
$D(n, p) . n$ vertices, each possible directed edge is present with probability $p$.

Multidigraph. Labeled vertices, labeled directed edges, loops and multiple edges allowed


Multigraph $D(n, p)$. The number of edges between any two vertices follows a Poisson law of parameter $p$.

Simpler formulae with multidigraphs, see the arXiv article for the simple digraph versions.

Strong component. Maximal set of vertices, any oriented pair of them linked by a directed path.

Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG). No directed cycle.

Condensation. Each vertex of a digraph belongs to a unique strong component. Contracting each strong component to a vertex turns the digraph into a DAG


Exact enumeration of DAGs by Liskovets, Wright, Gessel, Robinson, between 1969 and 1977.

Asymptotic probability of DAGs in $D(n, p)$ for fixed $p$ by Bender Richmond Robinson Wormald 1986. Quadratic expected number of edges.

Our result $p=\lambda / n$. Linear expected number of edges.

$a_{1} \approx-2.338107$ is the smallest zero of $\operatorname{Ai}(z)$

$$
\alpha(\lambda)=\frac{\lambda^{2}-1}{2 \lambda}-\log (\lambda), \quad \beta(\lambda)=(2 \lambda)^{-1 / 3}(\lambda-1), \quad \gamma(\lambda)=\frac{2^{-2 / 3}}{\operatorname{Ai}^{\prime}\left(a_{1}\right)} \lambda^{5 / 6} e^{(\lambda-1) / 6}
$$




Consider $D(n, p)$
Sub- and super-critical. Karp 1990 and Luczak 1990
$p<1 / n-\epsilon$. all strong components have bounded size, are either cycles or single vertices w.h.p.
$p>1 / n+\epsilon$. there exists a unique strong component of size $\Theta(n)$, while all the other strong components have logarithmic size w.h.p.

Critical.
. Luczak Seierstad 2009 obtained the width of the transition window $p=n^{-1}\left(1+\Theta\left(n^{-1 / 3}\right)\right)$ and the size $\Theta\left(n^{1 / 3}\right)$ of the largest component (see also Coulson 2019).
. Goldschmidt Stephenson 2021 gave the scaling limit.

Denser digraphs Cooper Frieze 2004. Sizes of the largest components in a random digraph with a given degree sequence.

Elementary digraph. Each strong component is a single vertex or a cycle.

Our result. $D(n, p)$ with $p=n^{-1}\left(1+\mu n^{-1 / 3}\right)$, probability of elementary digraphs, or with one complex strong component.


combinatorial family

## $\mathcal{A}$

disjoint union

$$
\mathcal{C}=\mathcal{A} \uplus \mathcal{B}
$$

relabeled Cartesian product

$$
\mathcal{C}=\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}
$$


generating function

$$
A(z)=\sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{z^{|a|}}{|a|!}=\sum_{n \geq 0}\left|\mathcal{A}_{n}\right| \frac{z^{n}}{n!}
$$

sum

$$
C(z)=A(z)+B(z)
$$

$$
C(z)=\sum_{\substack{a \in \mathcal{A} \\ b \in \mathcal{B}}}\binom{|a|+|b|}{|a|} \frac{z^{|a|+|b|}}{(|a|+|b|)!}=A(z) B(z)
$$



Set. If $\mathcal{B}=\operatorname{Set}(\mathcal{A})$, then

$$
B(z)=\sum_{k} \frac{A(z)^{k}}{k!}=e^{A(z)} .
$$

Example. Generating function of graphs

$$
G(z)=\sum_{n} 2^{\binom{n}{2}} \frac{z^{n}}{n!} .
$$

A graph is a set of connected components

$$
G(z)=e^{C(z)}
$$

So the exponential gf of connected graphs is

$$
C(z)=\log \left(\sum_{n} 2^{\binom{n}{2}} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}\right) .
$$

Arrow product. $\mathcal{C}=\mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B}$.

- Relabel a pair of digraphs from $\mathcal{A}$ and $b$ from $\mathcal{B}$,
- write $a$ on the left and $b$ on the right,
- add arbitrary edges from left to right.

$A_{n, m}=$ number of digraph from $\mathcal{A}$ with $n$ vertices and $m$ edges.
Exponential gf. $\quad A(z, w)=\sum_{n, m} A_{n, m} \frac{w^{m}}{m!} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}$
Graphic gf.

$$
\hat{A}(z, w)=\sum_{n, m} A_{n, m} e^{-n^{2} w / 2} \frac{w^{m}}{m!} \frac{z^{n}}{n!} .
$$

Product. Corresponds to the arrow product $\mathcal{C}=\mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{C}(z, w) & =\sum_{k+\ell=n} e^{-n^{2} w / 2}\binom{n}{k} e^{k \ell \ell}\left(\sum_{m} A_{k, m} \frac{w^{m}}{m!}\right)\left(\sum_{m} B_{\ell, m} \frac{w^{m}}{m!}\right) \frac{z^{n}}{n!} \\
& =\sum_{k+\ell=n} e^{-k^{2} w / 2} e^{-\ell^{2} w / 2}\left(\sum_{m} A_{k, m} \frac{w^{m}}{m!}\right)\left(\sum_{m} B_{\ell, m} \frac{w^{m}}{m!}\right) \frac{z^{k}}{k!} \frac{z^{\ell}}{\ell!}=\hat{A}(z, w) \hat{B}(z, w) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Arcless digraphs.

$$
\widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w)=\sum_{n \geq 0} e^{-n^{2} w / 2} \frac{z^{n}}{n!} .
$$

DAG (Directed Acyclic Graph) (Robinson, Gessel, Liskovets). Consider $\widehat{\mathrm{DAG}}(z, w, u)$ where $u$ marks the sources (in-degree 0 ), and apply inclusion-exclusion

$$
\widehat{\mathrm{DAG}}(z, w, u+1)=\widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w) \times \widehat{\mathrm{DAG}}(z, w)
$$



The only DAG without source is the empty DAG, so for $u=-1$

$$
\begin{gathered}
1=\widehat{\mathrm{DAG}}(z, w, 0)=\widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(-z, w) \times \widehat{\mathrm{DAG}}(z, w), \\
\widehat{\mathrm{DAG}}(z, w)=\frac{1}{\widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(-z, w)} .
\end{gathered}
$$

Undirected multigraphs and (multi)digraphs.

$$
\operatorname{MG}(z, w)=\sum_{n \geq 0} e^{n^{2} w / 2} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}, \quad \hat{D}(z, w)=\sum_{n \geq 0} e^{n^{2} w} e^{-n^{2} w / 2} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}=\operatorname{MG}(z, w) .
$$

Arcless digraphs.

$$
\widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w)=\sum_{n \geq 0} e^{-n^{2} w / 2} \frac{z^{n}}{n!} .
$$

Exponential Hadamard product.

$$
\sum_{n} a_{n} \frac{z^{n}}{n!} \odot_{z} \sum_{n} b_{n} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}=\sum_{n} a_{n} b_{n} \frac{z^{n}}{n!} .
$$

Translation between exponential and graphic gfs.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \hat{A}(z, w)=\sum_{n, m} A_{n, m} e^{-n^{2} w / 2} \frac{w^{m}}{m!} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}=A(z, w) \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w), \\
& A(z, w)=\hat{A}(z, w) \odot_{z} \operatorname{MG}(z, w) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Strongly connected digraphs (Robinson, Gessel, Liskovets). Consider $\hat{D}(z, w, u)$ where $u$ marks the source-like components and apply inclusion-exclusion

$$
\hat{D}(z, w, u+1)=\left(e^{\operatorname{Strong}(z, w)} \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w)\right) \hat{D}(z, w)
$$



The only digraph without source-like component is the empty digraph, so for $u=-1$

$$
\begin{array}{r}
1=\left(e^{-\operatorname{Strong}(z, w)} \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w)\right) \operatorname{MG}(z, w), \\
\operatorname{Strong}(z, w)=-\log \left(\operatorname{MG}(z, w) \odot_{z} \frac{1}{\operatorname{MG}(z, w)}\right) .
\end{array}
$$

Digraphs where strong components must belong to a family $S$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{D}_{S}(z, w, u+1) & =\left(e^{u S(z, w)} \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}(z, w)}\right) \hat{D}_{S}(z, w) \\
\hat{D}_{S}(z, w) & =\frac{1}{e^{-S(z, w)} \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}(z, w)}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Elementary digraphs. Strong components are single points or cycles

$$
\hat{D}_{\text {elem }}(z, w)=\frac{1}{(1-w z) e^{-z} \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w)}
$$

Elementary digraph plus one strong component in $S$.

$$
\hat{D}_{\text {elem }, S}(z, w)=\frac{(1-w z) S(z, w) e^{-z} \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w)}{\left((1-w z) e^{-z} \odot_{z} \widehat{\operatorname{Set}}(z, w)\right)^{2}}
$$

Linearization.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{A}(z, w) & =\sum_{n} A_{n}(w) e^{-n^{2} w / 2} \frac{z^{n}}{n!} \\
& =\sum_{n} A_{n}(w) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi w}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-n i x} \exp \left(-\frac{x^{2}}{2 w}\right) d x \frac{z^{n}}{n!} \\
& =\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi w}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} A\left(z e^{-i x}, w\right) \exp \left(-\frac{x^{2}}{2 w}\right) d x
\end{aligned}
$$

Generalized deformed exponential. Define

$$
\phi_{r}(z, w)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi w}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}\left(1-w z e^{-i x}\right)^{r} \exp \left(-\frac{x^{2}}{2 w}-z e^{-i x}\right) d x
$$

then the gfs of DAGs and elementary digraphs are

$$
\widehat{\mathrm{DAG}}(z, w)=\frac{1}{\phi_{0}(z, w)}, \quad \hat{D}_{\text {elem }}(z, w)=\frac{1}{\phi_{1}(z, w)}
$$

Multidigraphs $D(n, p)$. The number of edges between any two vertices follows a Poisson law of parameter $p$.

Probability for a random $D(n, p)$ (multi)digraph to belong to $\mathcal{F}$

$$
\mathbb{P}_{n, p}(\mathcal{F})=\sum_{G \in \mathcal{F}_{n}} \frac{\left(n^{2} p\right)^{m(G)}}{m(G)!} e^{-n^{2} p} \frac{1}{n^{2 m(G)}}=e^{-n^{2} p / 2} n!\left[z^{n}\right] \hat{F}(z, p)
$$

Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}_{n, p}(\mathrm{DAG}) & =e^{-n^{2} p / 2} n!\left[z^{n}\right] \frac{1}{\phi_{0}(z, p)} \\
\mathbb{P}_{n, p}(\text { elementary }) & =e^{-n^{2} p / 2} n!\left[z^{n}\right] \frac{1}{\phi_{1}(z, p)}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\phi_{r}(z, p)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi p}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}\left(1-p z e^{-i x}\right)^{r} \exp \left(-\frac{x^{2}}{2 p}-z e^{-i x}\right) d x
$$

Asymptotics estimates of $\phi(z, p)$ as $p \rightarrow 0$ in 3 zones, using the saddle-point method.


Isolated zeros of $\phi(z(p), p)$.
Singularity analysis of $\left[z^{n}\right] \frac{1}{\phi_{r}(z, p)}$ for $p=\lambda / n$ with $\lambda<1, \lambda>1$ or $\lambda=1+\mu n^{-1 / 3}$.

Numerical tests. We checked almost all assertions using computer algeba systems
https://gitlab.com/sergey-dovgal/strong-components-aux

Open problems and futur research.
. work on $D(n, m)$ instead of $D(n, p)$
. full description of the structure distribution in the critical window
. limit probability of satisfiability for 2-SAT formulae in the critical window.

