

Ascent sequences avoiding a set of length-3 patterns

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Introduction

- An **ascent**, short for **ascent index**, in an integer sequence $s_1 s_2 \cdots s_m$ is an index $1 \leq j \leq m - 1$ such that $s_j < s_{j+1}$.
- An **ascent sequence** $a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n$ is one consisting of non-negative integers satisfying

$$a_1 = 0, \quad a_i \leq \text{asc}(a_1 a_2 \cdots a_{i-1}) + 1, \quad i = 2, 3, \dots, n,$$

where $\text{asc}(a_1 a_2 \cdots a_k)$ is the number of ascents in the sequence $a_1 a_2 \cdots a_k$.

- For example, the sequence 0102321401 is an ascent sequence, whereas 0104 is not.
- Bousquet-Mélou, Claesson, Dukes, and Kitaev connected ascent sequences to $(2+2)$ -free posets. Since then, ascent sequences have been considered in a series of papers where connections to many other combinatorial structures have been found.

- Let $a = a_1a_2\cdots a_n$ be any sequence and $\tau = \tau_1\cdots\tau_m$ be any **pattern**, that is, a word in $\{0,\dots,\ell\}^m$ which contains each letter $0,1,\dots,\ell$ for some $m \geq 1$, $\ell \geq 0$.

- We say the sequence a **contains** τ if a has a subsequence that is order isomorphic to τ , that is, there is a subsequence

$$a_{f(1)}, a_{f(2)}, \dots, a_{f(m)} \text{ with } 1 \leq f(1) < f(2) < \cdots < f(m) \leq n,$$

such that $a_{f(i)}Xa_{f(j)}$ if and only if $\tau_iX\tau_j$, for all $X \in \{<, >, =\}$ and $1 \leq i, j \leq m$. Otherwise, a is said to **avoid** τ .

- For instance, the ascent sequence 0101304351 has two occurrences of the pattern 110, namely, the subsequences 110 (0**1**0**1**304351) and 331 (0101**3**04**3**5**1**), but avoids the pattern 3120.

- We denote the set of all ascent sequences that avoid a list of patterns $\tau^{(1)}, \dots, \tau^{(s)}$ by $A_n(\tau^{(1)}, \dots, \tau^{(s)})$ or $A_n(\{\tau^{(1)}, \dots, \tau^{(s)}\})$.

- We say that two sets of patterns P and Q are **A-Wilf-equivalent**, denoted $P \stackrel{a}{\sim} Q$, if $|A_n(P)| = |A_n(Q)|$ for every $n \geq 0$.
- There are 13 patterns of length 3: 000, 001, 010, 100, 011, 101, 110, 012, 021, 102, 120, 201, and 210.
- The number of A-Wilf-equivalence classes among single patterns of length 3 is 9 (Duncan and Steingrímsson).
- The number of A-Wilf-equivalence classes among pairs of patterns of length 3 is 35 (Baxter and Pudwell).
- Let aw_k be the number of A-Wilf-equivalence classes of k length-3 patterns.

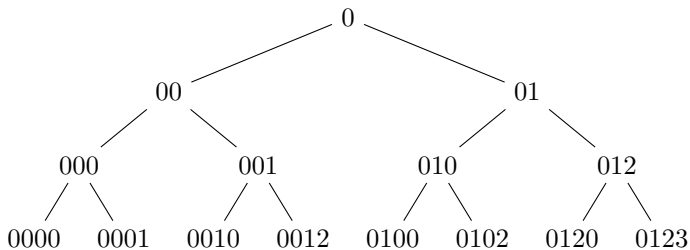
Theorem We have $aw_3 = 62$, $aw_4 = 74$, $aw_5 = 61$, $aw_6 = 47$, $aw_7 = 35$, $aw_8 = 25$, $aw_9 = 18$, $aw_{10} = 12$, $aw_{11} = 7$, $aw_{12} = 3$, and $aw_{13} = 1$.

- Note that there are $2^{13} = 8192$ subsets of length-3 patterns. So, we need a general method to deal with all these subsets.

Generating trees

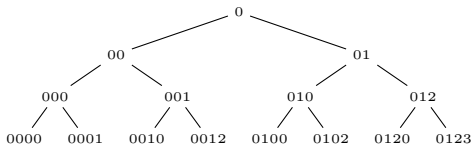
- Let P be any set of patterns such that the length of each pattern is at least two. Define $\mathcal{A}(P) = \cup_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n(P)$.
- We will construct a pattern-avoidance generating tree $\mathcal{T}(P)$ for the class of pattern-avoiding ascent sequences $\mathcal{A}(P)$.
- Starting with the root 0 which stays at level 1, we construct in a recursive manner the non-root nodes of the tree $\mathcal{T}(P)$ such that the n th level of the tree consists of exactly the elements of $A_n(P)$ arranged so that the parent of an ascent sequence $a_1 \cdots a_n \in A_n(p)$ is the unique ascent sequence $a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} \in A_{n-1}(P)$.

- The children of $a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} \in A_{n-1}(P)$ are obtained from the set $\{a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}a_n \mid a_n = 0, 1, \dots, \text{asc}(a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}) + 1\}$ by applying the pattern-avoiding restrictions of the patterns in P .
- We arrange the nodes from the left to the right so that if $a = a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}i$ and $a' = a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}i'$ are children of the same parent $a_1 \cdots a_{n-1}$, then a appears on the left of a' if $i < i'$.
- The next figure presents the first few levels of $\mathcal{T}(\{011\})$.

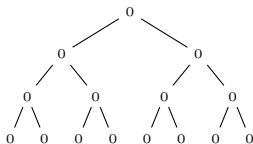


- Clearly, $|A_n(P)|$ = the number of nodes in the n th level of $\mathcal{T}(P)$.
- Let $\mathcal{T}(P; a)$ denote the subtree consisting of the ascent sequence a as the root and its descendants in $\mathcal{T}(P)$.
- For any $a, a' \in \mathcal{T}(P)$, we say that the subtrees $\mathcal{T}(P; a)$ and $\mathcal{T}(P; a')$ are isomorphic, and write $\mathcal{T}(P; a) \cong \mathcal{T}(P; a')$, if these subtrees are isomorphic in the sense of plane (ordered) tree.
- For any two nodes $a, a' \in \mathcal{T}(P)$, we say that a is **equivalent** to a' , denoted by $a \sim a'$, if and only if $\mathcal{T}(P; a) \cong \mathcal{T}(P; a')$.
- Define $V[P]$ to be the set of all equivalence classes in the quotient set $\mathcal{T}(P)/\sim$.
- We will represent each equivalence class $[v]$ by the label of the unique node v which appears on the tree $\mathcal{T}(P)$ as **the left-most node at the lowest level** among all other nodes in the same equivalence class.

- Let $\mathcal{T}[P]$ be the same tree $\mathcal{T}(P)$ where we replace each node a by its equivalence class label.
- So in our previous example, we see that the generating tree is given by $\mathcal{T}(\{011\})$ is



and the generating tree $\mathcal{T}[\{011\}]$ is



This because $01 \cong 00 \cong 0$.

Example: Let $P = \{000, 001, 021\}$. The generating tree $\mathcal{T}[P]$ has a root a_0 and satisfies the following rules

$$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, c_m, a_{m+1}, \quad c_m \rightsquigarrow b_m,$$

where $a_m = 01 \cdots m$, $b_m = a_m 0$, and $c_m = a_m m$.

- To show that, we need to verify the succession rules of the generating tree:
- The children of a_m are of type $a_m j$, where $j = 0, 1, \dots, m+1$, so a_m has only three children b_m, c_m, a_{m+1} in $\mathcal{T}[P]$.
- Note that any child of b_m contains a pattern in P , so there are no children for b_m in $\mathcal{T}[P]$.
- Also, any child of c_m that avoids P is $c_m 0$. But it is not hard to see $a = c_m 0v \in A_n(P)$ if and only if $a' = a_m 0v \in A_{n-1}(P)$ by removing the second occurrence of the letter m in a .
- Thus, $a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, c_m, a_{m+1}$ and $c_m \rightsquigarrow b_m$.

General procedure

Step 1:

- Let P be any set of patterns and let D be any positive number (here we use $D = 8$).
- We find the first D levels of the generating tree $\mathcal{T}(P)$.
- By (2), we guess all the succession rules of $\mathcal{T}(P)$.
- Based on (3), we try to prove these succession rules. If we fail, then we increase D by 1 and go back to Step (2). Otherwise, the succession rules of the generating tree $\mathcal{T}[P]$ are found.

Step 2:

After we guessed and proved (if possible) the rules of the generating tree $\mathcal{T}[B]$, we translate these rules into a system of equations and we solve for

$$F_P(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} |A_n(P)|x^n.$$

Note that the rule $e \rightsquigarrow v^{(1)}, \dots, v^{(s)}$ can be translated to

$$A_e(x) = x + x \sum_{j=1}^s A_{v^{(j)}}(x),$$

where

$$A_w(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} (\#\text{the nodes at level } n \text{ in } \mathcal{T}(B; w))x^n$$

is the generating function for the number of nodes at level $n \geq 1$ in the subtree of $\mathcal{T}(B; w)$, where its root stays at level 1.

Triples

- Let L be the set of all triples of patterns of length-3. A **candidate class** is a maximal subset C of L such that for any $P, P' \in C$, $|A_n(P)| = |A_n(P')|$, for all $n = 1, 2, \dots, 11$.
- Table for all triples of patterns of length-3 shows all the 62 candidate classes of L .
- A candidate class is called **trivial** if it contains exactly one triple, otherwise, it is called **nontrivial**. Clearly, any A -Wilf equivalence class is contained in a candidate class.
- There are 35 trivial candidate classes and 27 nontrivial candidate classes of triples of length-3 patterns.

- To prove $aw_3 = 62$, we show that the 27 nontrivial candidate classes of triples of length-3 patterns are indeed 27 A -Wilf equivalences.
- To establish this, we use the generating tree method as described above:

Table 1: Rules of generating trees for ascent sequences avoiding a triple of length-3 patterns.

Beginning of Table 1			
Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
2	$\{000,001,012\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 011; 011 \rightsquigarrow 010$	$x + 2x^2 + 2x^3 + x^4$
	$\{000,010,012\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 011$	
3	$\{000,001,010\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}$, where $a_m = 01 \cdots m, b_m = a_m m$	$\frac{x(1+x)}{1-x}$
	$\{000,001,011\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}$, where $a_m = 01 \cdots m, b_m = a_m 0$	
	$\{000,010,011\}$	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0, a_1; a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1};$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow b_{m+1}$, where $a_m = 01 \cdots m,$ $b_m = 0a_m$	
	$\{001,010,011\}$	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow 00, a_1; a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}; 00 \rightsquigarrow 00,$ where $a_m = 01 \cdots m$	
	$\{001,010,012\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 00; 01 \rightsquigarrow 01$	
	$\{001,011,012\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01$, where $a_m = 0^m$	
	$\{010,011,012\}$		
4	$\{000,012,101\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 001; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 001;$ $001 \rightsquigarrow 010$	$x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + 2x^4$
	$\{000,012,110\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 001; 01 \rightsquigarrow 001, 011;$ $001 \rightsquigarrow 011$	
5	$\{000,012,021\}$		
	$\{000,012,100\}$		
	$\{000,012,102\}$		
	$\{000,012,120\}$		
	$\{000,012,201\}$		

Continuation of Table 1

Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	{000,012,210}	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 001; 01 \rightsquigarrow 001, 001;$ $001 \rightsquigarrow 0011$	$x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + 3x^4$
6	{000,011,102}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}; c_m \rightsquigarrow c_{m+1},$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = a_m 0,$ $c_m = 0a_m$ ($b_0 = c_0$)	$x + 2x^2 + \frac{3x^3}{1-x}$
	{000,011,120}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0, a_1; a_1 \rightsquigarrow b_1, a_2;$ $a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}; b_m \rightsquigarrow b_{m+1},$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = 0a_m$	
	{001,011,100}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}; b_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = 0a_m$	
	{001,011,120}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}; b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = 0a_m$	
	{001,012,100}	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 00; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 01$	
	{001,012,110}	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 00; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 010;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010$	
	{011,012,100}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010,$ where $a_m = 0^m$	
7	{000,001,021}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow c_0, a_1; a_m \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_m, a_{m+1};$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow c_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m,$ $b_m = a_m m, c_m = a_m 0$	$x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + \frac{4x^4}{1-x}$
	{000,001,120}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow c_0, a_1; a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, c_m, a_{m+1};$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow c_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m,$ $b_m = a_m m, c_m = a_m(m-1)$	
8	{000,001,110}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^{m+1}, a_{m+1},$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = a_m 0$	
	{000,011,021} {000,011,100} {000,011,101} {000,011,110} {000,011,201} {000,011,210}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}; b_m \rightsquigarrow b_{m+1},$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = 0a_m$	
	{001,010,021} {001,010,100} {001,010,101} {001,010,102} {001,010,110} {001,010,120} {001,010,201} {001,010,210}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}; b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = a_m m$	

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Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	$\{001,011,021\}$ $\{001,011,101\}$ $\{001,011,102\}$ $\{001,011,110\}$ $\{001,011,201\}$ $\{001,011,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}; b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m$, where $a_m = 01 \cdots m, b_m = a_m 0$	
	$\{001,012,021\}$ $\{001,012,101\}$ $\{001,012,102\}$ $\{001,012,120\}$ $\{001,012,201\}$ $\{001,012,210\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 00, 01; 00 \rightsquigarrow 00; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 01;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010$	
	$\{010,011,021\}$ $\{010,011,100\}$ $\{010,011,101\}$ $\{010,011,102\}$ $\{010,011,110\}$ $\{010,011,120\}$ $\{010,011,201\}$ $\{010,011,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m,j+1}$, where $a_m = 0^m$ and $b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \cdots j$	
	$\{010,012,021\}$ $\{010,012,100\}$ $\{010,012,101\}$ $\{010,012,102\}$ $\{010,012,110\}$ $\{010,012,120\}$ $\{010,012,201\}$ $\{010,012,210\}$ $\{011,012,021\}$ $\{011,012,101\}$ $\{011,012,102\}$ $\{011,012,110\}$ $\{011,012,120\}$ $\{011,012,201\}$ $\{011,012,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 01$, where $a_m = 0^m$	
10	$\{000,001,100\}$ $\{000,001,101\}$ $\{000,001,102\}$		$\frac{x}{(1-x)^2}$

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Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	{000,001,201}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_{m,0}, \dots, b_{m,m}, a_{m+1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m,0}, \dots, b_{m,k-1},$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_{m,j} = a_m j$	
	{000,010,021} {000,010,100} {000,010,101} {000,010,102} {000,010,110} {000,010,120} {000,010,201} {000,010,210}		See [?]
14	{001,021,100}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow c_0, a_1; c_0 \rightsquigarrow c_0;$ $a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, c_m, a_{m+1};$ $c_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, c_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = a_m 0,$ $c_m = a_m m$	
	{001,021,110}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0, a_1; a_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^2, a_{m+1};$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m,$ $b_m = a_m 0$	
	{001,021,120}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0, a_1; b_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0;$ $a_1 \rightsquigarrow 010, b_1, a_2; b_1 \rightsquigarrow 010, b_1;$ $a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, a_{m+1}; b_m r u b_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = a_m m$	
	{001,100,110}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^m, c_m, a_{m+1};$ $c_m \rightsquigarrow c_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m,$ $b_m = a_m 0, c_m = a_m m$	
	{001,100,120}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0, a_1; b_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0;$ $a_m \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_m, a_{m+1};$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = a_m(m-1),$ $c_m = a_m m$	
	{001,110,120}	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow 00, a_1; 00 \rightsquigarrow 00;$ $a_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^2, a_{m+1}; b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \dots m,$ $b_m = a_m(m-1)$	
	{011,100,102}	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_{m,j+1},$ where $a_m = 0^m, b_{m,j} = a_m 1 \dots j,$ $c_m = 01 \dots m 0$	

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Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	$\{011,100,120\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,1} \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_{m,2}; c_m \rightsquigarrow b_{m+1,2};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m,j+1}, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m,$ $b_{m,j} = a_m 1 \cdots j, c_m = a_m 10$	$\frac{x(1+x^2)}{(1-x)^2}$
	$\{011,102,120\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,1} \rightsquigarrow 010, b_{m,2}; 010 \rightsquigarrow 010;$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m,j+1}, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m,$ $b_{m,j} = a_m 1 \cdots j$	
	$\{012,100,101\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 01,$ where $a_m = 0^m$	
	$\{012,100,110\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 010;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 0101; 0101 \rightsquigarrow 0101, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 0^m$	
	$\{012,101,110\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 010;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m$	
15	$\{001,021,101\}$ $\{001,021,102\}$ $\{001,021,201\}$ $\{001,021,210\}$	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0, a_1; a_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, c_m, a_{m+1};$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m; c_m \rightsquigarrow b_m, c_m, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 01 \cdots m, b_m = a_m 0,$ $c_m = a_m m$	
	$\{001,100,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^m, c_m, a_{m+1};$ $c_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^m, c_m, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 01 \cdots m, b_m = a_m 0,$ $c_m = a_m m$	
	$\{001,101,110\}$ $\{001,102,110\}$ $\{001,110,201\}$ $\{001,110,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^{m+1}, a_{m+1}; b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m,$ where $a_m = 01 \cdots m, b_m = a_m 0$	
	$\{001,101,120\}$ $\{001,102,120\}$ $\{001,120,201\}$ $\{001,120,210\}$	$a_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0, a_1; b_0 \rightsquigarrow b_0;$ $a_m \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_m, a_{m+1}; c_m \rightsquigarrow c_m;$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_m, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 01 \cdots m, b_m = a_m(m-1),$ $c_m = a_m m$	

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Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	$\{011,021,100\}$ $\{011,100,101\}$ $\{011,100,110\}$ $\{011,100,201\}$ $\{011,100,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow c_{m,j}, b_{m,j+1};$ $c_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow c_{m,j+1}, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m,$ $b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j,$ $c_{m,j} = 0^m 102 \dots j$	
	$\{011,021,102\}$ $\{011,101,102\}$ $\{011,102,110\}$ $\{011,102,201\}$ $\{011,102,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow c_j, b_{m,j+1}; c_m \rightsquigarrow c_m,$ $\text{ where } a_m = 0^m, b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j,$ $c_m = 01 \dots m0$	
	$\{011,021,120\}$ $\{011,101,120\}$ $\{011,110,120\}$ $\{011,120,201\}$ $\{011,120,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,1} \rightsquigarrow c_{m+1,1}, b_{m,2};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m,j+1}, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m,$ $b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j$	
	$\{012,021,100\}$ $\{012,100,102\}$ $\{012,100,120\}$ $\{012,100,201\}$ $\{012,100,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 01;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 0101; 0101 \rightsquigarrow 0101, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 0^m$	
	$\{012,021,101\}$ $\{012,101,102\}$ $\{012,101,120\}$ $\{012,101,201\}$ $\{012,101,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 01;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m$	
	$\{012,021,110\}$		

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Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	$\{012, 102, 110\}$ $\{012, 110, 120\}$ $\{012, 110, 201\}$ $\{012, 110, 210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 01, 011;$ $011 \rightsquigarrow 011, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m$	$\frac{x(1-x+x^2)}{(1-x)^3}$
16	$\{001, 100, 101\}$ $\{001, 100, 102\}$ $\{001, 100, 201\}$		See [?]
21	$\{001, 101, 210\}$ $\{001, 102, 210\}$ $\{001, 201, 210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^m, c_m, a_{m+1};$ $b_m \rightsquigarrow b_m; c_m \rightsquigarrow (b_m)^m, c_m, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_m = a_m 0,$ $c_m = a_m m$	$\frac{x(1-2x+2x^2)}{(1-x)^4}$
22	$\{000, 021, 101\}$ $\{000, 021, 110\}$		See [?]
24	$\{000, 101, 102\}$ $\{000, 101, 110\}$		See Subsection ??
	$\{001, 101, 102\}$ $\{001, 101, 201\}$ $\{001, 102, 201\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow b_{m,0}, \dots, b_{m,m}, a_{m+1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m,0}, \dots, b_{m,j}, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 01 \dots m, b_{m,j} = a_m j$	See Subsection ??
	$\{010, 021, 100\}$ $\{010, 021, 101\}$ $\{010, 021, 102\}$ $\{010, 021, 110\}$ $\{010, 021, 120\}$ $\{010, 021, 201\}$ $\{010, 021, 210\}$ $\{010, 100, 101\}$ $\{010, 100, 102\}$ $\{010, 100, 110\}$ $\{010, 100, 120\}$ $\{010, 100, 201\}$ $\{010, 100, 210\}$ $\{010, 101, 102\}$ $\{010, 101, 110\}$ $\{010, 101, 120\}$ $\{010, 101, 201\}$ $\{010, 101, 210\}$ $\{010, 102, 110\}$		

Continuation of Table 1

Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	$\{010,102,120\}$ $\{010,102,201\}$ $\{010,102,210\}$ $\{010,110,120\}$ $\{010,110,201\}$ $\{010,110,210\}$ $\{010,120,201\}$ $\{010,120,210\}$ $\{010,201,210\}$ $\{011,021,101\}$ $\{011,021,110\}$ $\{011,021,201\}$ $\{011,021,210\}$ $\{011,101,110\}$ $\{011,101,201\}$ $\{011,101,210\}$ $\{011,110,201\}$ $\{011,110,210\}$ $\{011,201,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m,j+1}, b_{m,j+1}, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 0^m, b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j$	
	$\{012,021,102\}$ $\{012,021,120\}$ $\{012,021,201\}$ $\{012,021,210\}$ $\{012,102,120\}$ $\{012,102,201\}$ $\{012,102,210\}$ $\{012,120,201\}$ $\{012,120,210\}$ $\{012,201,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 01, 01, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 0^m$	$\frac{x}{1-2x}$
28	$\{000,021,100\}$ $\{000,021,201\}$ $\{000,021,210\}$		See Section ??
34	$\{000,100,101\}$ $\{000,101,201\}$		See Section ??
41	$\{021,101,102\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow c_j, b_{m+1,j}, b_{m,j+1};$ $c_m \rightsquigarrow c_m, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m,$ $b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j, c_m = 01 \dots m0$	

Continuation of Table 1

Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	$\{021,101,120\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,1} \rightsquigarrow c_m, b_{m+1,1}, b_{m,2};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m+1,j}, b_{m,j+1};$ $cm \rightsquigarrow c_{m+1}, b_{m,2}, \text{ where } a_m = 0^m,$ $b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j, c_m = a_m 10$	
	$\{021,102,120\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,1} \rightsquigarrow 010, b_{m+1,1}, b_{m,2};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow b_{m+1,j}, b_{m,j+1};$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010, 0101; 0101 \rightsquigarrow 0101, 0101,$ $\text{where } a_m = 0^m, b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j$	
	$\{100,102,120\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow a_{m+1}, b_{m,1};$ $b_{m,j} \rightsquigarrow c_j, b_{m+1,j}, b_{m,j+1};$ $cm \rightsquigarrow d_m; d_m \rightsquigarrow d_m, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 0^m, b_{m,j} = 0^m 12 \dots j,$ $cm = 01 \dots m(m-1), d_m = c_m m$	
	$\{101,102,110\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow 010, a_0, a_{m+1}; 010 \rightsquigarrow 010,$ $\text{where } a_m = 01 \dots m$	
	$\{101,102,120\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 0, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, (01)^2;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010$	
	$\{102,110,120\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 0, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 0, 01;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010, 0101; 0101 \rightsquigarrow 0101$	
42	$\{021,100,101\}$ $\{021,100,110\}$ $\{021,100,120\}$ $\{021,101,110\}$ $\{021,110,120\}$		See Section ??
43	$\{100,101,110\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow \epsilon^m, a_0, a_{m+1}; \epsilon \rightsquigarrow a_0, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 01 \dots m$	$\frac{x(1-x+x^2)}{1-3x+2x^2-x^3}$
	$\{100,101,120\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 0, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow \epsilon, (01)^2; \epsilon \rightsquigarrow 0$	
	$\{101,110,120\}$	$0 \rightsquigarrow 0, 01; 01 \rightsquigarrow 010, 0, 01;$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010, 0$	
47	$\{021,102,201\}$ $\{021,102,210\}$	$=\{021,102\}$ $=\{021,102\}$	See [?]
	$\{102,110,210\}$	$a_m \rightsquigarrow (010)^m, a_0, a_{m+1};$ $010 \rightsquigarrow 010, 0101; 0101 \rightsquigarrow 0101, \text{ where}$ $a_m = 01 \dots m$	$\frac{x(1-3x+4x^2-x^3)}{(1-2x)(1-x)^3}$
49	$\{101,102,210\}$		

Continuation of Table 1

Class	B triple	Rules of $\mathcal{T}(B)$	$G_B(x)$ /Reference
	$\{102,120,201\}$ $\{102,120,210\}$		See Section ??
51	$\{101,120,201\}$ $\{101,120,210\}$		See [?]
52	$\{021,100,201\}$ $\{021,100,210\}$ $\{021,110,201\}$ $\{021,110,210\}$	$=\{021,100\}$ $=\{021,100\}$ $=\{021,110\}$ $=\{021,110\}$	See [?]
53	$\{021,101,201\}$ $\{021,101,210\}$ $\{021,120,201\}$ $\{021,120,210\}$ $\{100,101,210\}$ $\{101,102,201\}$ $\{101,110,201\}$ $\{101,110,210\}$	$=\{021,101\}$ $=\{021,101\}$ $=\{021,120\}$ $=\{021,120\}$	See [?, ?]
55	$\{100,120,201\}$ $\{110,120,201\}$		See Theorem ??
56	$\{100,120,210\}$ $\{110,120,210\}$		See Theorem ??
61	$\{021,201,210\}$ $\{100,201,210\}$ $\{110,201,210\}$	$=\{021\}$	See [?] See Section ??

End of Table 1

Classes not covered by Table 1

Class 24

- From the results listed in Table 1, it remains to show first that

$$|A_n(000, 101, 102)| = |A_n(000, 101, 110)| = 2^{n-1}.$$

- For any word $w = w_1 w_2 \cdots w_n$ and integer k , we define $k + w$ as $(w_1 + k)(w_2 + k) \cdots (w_n + k)$.
- Let $a_n = |A_n(000, 101, 102)|$. Clearly, $a_1 = 1$ and $a_2 = 2$. So, from now on, we assume that $n \geq 3$.
- Note that any ascent sequence π in $A_n(000, 101, 102)$ can be decomposed as either

$$\pi = 0(1 + \pi'), \pi = 0(1 + \pi'')0, \pi = 00(1 + \pi'')$$

such that $\pi' \in A_{n-1}(000, 101, 102)$ and $\pi'' \in A_{n-2}(000, 101, 102)$.

- Hence, $a_n = a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2}$ with $a_0 = 1$ and $a_1 = 2$. By induction on n , we have $a_n = 2^{n-1}$.

- For the case $A_n(000, 101, 110)$, based on a small modification of Proposition 15 of work of (Baxter and Pudwell), the ascent sequences of $A_n(000, 101, 110)$ can be characterized as a generating tree with a root (2) and the rules

$$(k) \rightsquigarrow (1)^{k-1}, (k+1); \quad (1) \rightsquigarrow (2).$$

- Let $A_k(x)$ be the generating function for the number of nodes at level n in the subtree with a root (k) , where the root stays at level 1.
- Hence,

$$A_1(x) = x + xA_2(x), \quad A_k(x) = x + (k-1)x A_1(x) + x A_{k+1}(x).$$

Define $A(x; v) = \sum_{k \geq 2} A_k(x) v^{k-2}$. Then

$$A(x; v) = \frac{x}{1-v} + \frac{x}{(1-v)^2} A_1(x) + \frac{x}{v} (A(x; v) - A_2(x)).$$

- By taking $v = x$, we have

$$A_2(x) = \frac{x}{1-x} + \frac{x}{(1-x)^2} A_1(x).$$

Thus, from $A_1(x) = x + xA_2(x)$, we obtain that $A_2(x) = \frac{x}{1-2x}$, as required.

Class 28: • Since an ascent sequence begins with a 0, if it contains either 201 or 210, then it also contains 021.

• Also, if an ascent sequence contains 100, then it also contains either 000 or 021.

• Hence,

$$\{000, 021, 100\} \stackrel{a}{\sim} \{000, 021, 201\} \stackrel{a}{\sim} \{000, 021, 210\}.$$

Class 61: Formula for $|A_n(100, 201, 210)|$

- Based on our algorithm, we find that the generating tree

$$\mathcal{T}[100, 201, 210]$$

has a root $\alpha_{0,0}$ and satisfies the following rules:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_{a,m} &\rightsquigarrow \beta_{a+1}^{m-a}, \alpha_{a,m}, \alpha_{a,m+1}, \dots, \alpha_{0,m+1}, \\ \beta_a &\rightsquigarrow \alpha_{a,a}, \dots, \alpha_{0,a},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\alpha_{a,m} = 0101212 \cdots a(a-1)a(a+1)(a+2) \cdots m$$

and

$$\beta_a = 0101212 \cdots (a-1)(a-2)(a-1)a(a-1).$$

- To see the rules, we note that the children of $\alpha_{a,m}$ (respectively, β_a) are exactly $\alpha_{a,m}j$ with $j = a, a+1, \dots, a+m+1$ (respectively, $\beta_a j$ with $j = a, a+1, \dots, 2a$).

- Now, we show the following equivalences:
 - $\mathcal{T}(\{100, 201, 210\}; \alpha_{a,m}j) \cong \mathcal{T}(\{100, 201, 210\}; \beta_{a+1})$, for all $j = a, a + 1, \dots, m - 1$: Let $\pi = \alpha_{a,m}j\pi'$ be any ascent sequence that avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$. So π' does not contain any letter from the set $\{0, 1, \dots, m - 1\}$. Thus, π avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$ if and only if $\beta_{a+1}(1 + a - m + \pi')$ avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$, which proves the equivalence.
 - $\mathcal{T}(\{100, 201, 210\}; \alpha_{a,m}m) \cong \mathcal{T}(\alpha_{a,m})$: Note that the ascent sequence $\pi = \alpha_{a,m}m\pi'$ avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$ if and only if the ascent sequence $\alpha_{a,m}\pi'$ avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$ (just remove the letter m).

- $\mathcal{T}(\{100, 201, 210\}; \alpha_{a,m}j) \cong \mathcal{T}(\{100, 201, 210\}; \alpha_{a+m+1-j,m+1})$, for all $j = m+1, m+2, \dots, a+m+1$: Let $j = m+1+j'$ and $\pi = \alpha_{a,m}j\pi'$ be any ascent sequence that avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$. Note that π' does not contain any letter from the set $\{0, 1, \dots, j'\}$. So by removing the letters $0, 1, \dots, j'$ from π' we obtain that π avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$ if and only if the ascent sequence $\alpha_{a+m+1-j,m+1}(-j'+\pi') = \alpha_{a-j',m+1}(-j'+\pi')$ avoids $\{100, 201, 210\}$, which proved the equivalence.

- Hence, the first rule is holding:

$$\alpha_{a,m} \rightsquigarrow \beta_{a+1}^{m-a}, \alpha_{a,m}, \alpha_{a,m+1}, \dots, \alpha_{0,m+1}.$$

Similarly, the second rule is holding.

- Define $A_{a,m}(x)$ and $B_a(x)$ to be the generating function for the number of nodes at level n in the tree

$$\mathcal{T}(\{100, 201, 210\}; \alpha_{a,a})$$

and

$$\mathcal{T}(\{100, 201, 210\}; \beta_a),$$

where the root stay at level 1.

- Hence, the above rules can be translated to

$$A_{a,m}(x) = x + (m - a)x B_{a+1}(x) + x A_{a,m}(x) + x \sum_{j=0}^a A_{j,m+1}(x),$$

where $m \geq a \geq 0$

$$B_a(x) = x + x \sum_{j=0}^a A_{j,a}(x), \quad a \geq 1.$$

- Now, we define

$$A(x; v, u) = \sum_{a \geq 0} \sum_{m \geq a} A_{a,m}(x) v^a u^m$$

and

$$B(x; v) = \sum_{a \geq 1} B_a(x) v^{a-1}.$$

- Then the last two recurrences can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} A(x; v, u) &= \frac{x}{(1-u)(1-vu)} + xA(x; v, u) \\ &\quad + \frac{x}{u(1-v)}(A(x; v, u) - A(x; 1, vu)) \\ &\quad + \frac{xu}{(1-u)^2}B(x; vu), \\ B(x; v) &= \frac{x}{1-v} + \frac{x}{v}(A(x; 1, v) - A(x; 0, 0)). \end{aligned}$$

- This implies

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(x; v/u, u) &= \frac{x}{(1-u)(1-v)} + xA(x; v/u, u) \\
 &+ \frac{x}{u-v}(A(x; v/u, u) - A(x; 1, v)) \\
 &+ \frac{xu}{(1-u)^2} \left(\frac{x}{1-v} + \frac{x}{v}(A(x; 1, v) - A(x; 0, 0)) \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

- In order to solve this equation, we assume that $A(x; 0, 0) = C(x) - 1 = \frac{1-\sqrt{1-4x}}{2x} - 1$.
- By substituting $u = \frac{vx-v-x}{x-1}$, we obtain that

$$A(x; 1, v) = \frac{x(xC(x)(vx - v - x) + v - xv + x^2)}{(v-1)(v^2(x-1)^2 - v(3x-1)(x-1) + x^3)}.$$

- Hence, by substituting expression of $A(x; 1, v)$ into the equation

and replacing v with vu , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& A(x; v, u) \\
&= \frac{x((x-1)u^3v^2 + (2-3x)u^2v + (3x-1)u - x)\sqrt{1-4x}}{2((x-1)^2u^2v^2 - (3x-1)(x-1)uv + x^3)(1-uv)(1-u)^2} \\
&+ \frac{x((x-1)u^3v^2 + 2(1-x)u^2v^2 - x(2x-1)u^2v)}{2((x-1)^2u^2v^2 - (3x-1)(x-1)uv + x^3)(1-uv)(1-u)^2} \\
&+ \frac{x(2(2x-1)uv + (4x-1)(x-1)u - 2x^2 + x)}{2((x-1)^2u^2v^2 - (3x-1)(x-1)uv + x^3)(1-uv)(1-u)^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

• Note that the expression of $A(x; v, u)$ satisfies the equation and the assumption $A(x; 0, 0) = C(x) - 1$. Hence, $A(x; v, u)$ is the solution of the equation, which implies the following result.

Theorem The number of ascent sequences in $A_n(100, 201, 210)$ is given by $\frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$, the n th Catalan number.

Further results

By using our algorithm as in the previous sections, one can show that the number aw_k of A -Wilf-equivalence classes of k length-3 patterns is given by

$$\begin{aligned}aw_4 &= 74, & aw_5 &= 61, & aw_6 &= 47, & aw_7 &= 35, & aw_8 &= 25, \\aw_9 &= 18, & aw_{10} &= 12, & aw_{11} &= 7, & aw_{12} &= 3, & aw_{13} &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

Thanks for attention

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