

# On the number of variables in special classes of random lambda-terms

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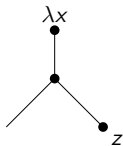
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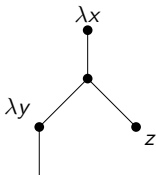
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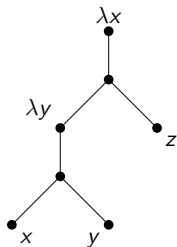
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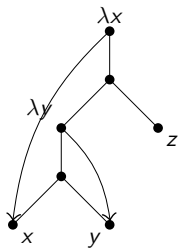
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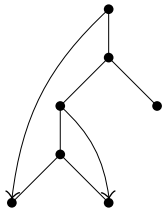
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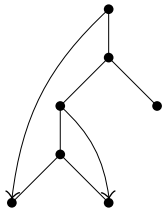
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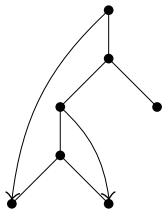
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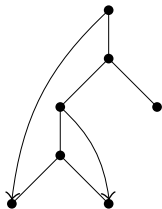


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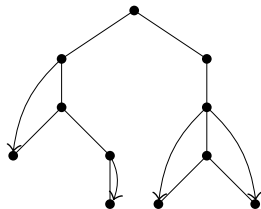


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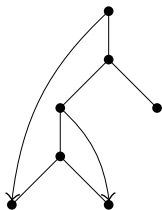
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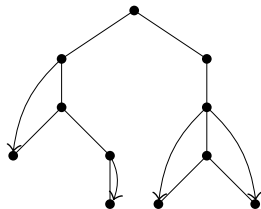
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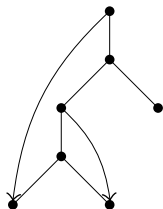
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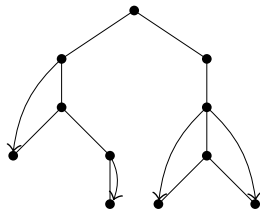
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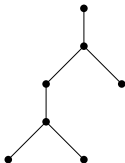
► **Symbolic method:**

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B} \quad \Rightarrow C(z) = A(z) + B(z)$$

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**Reason for super exponential growth:** possible variable bindings

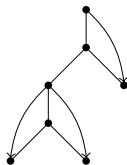
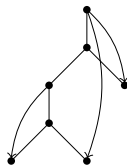
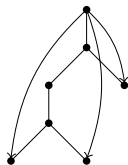
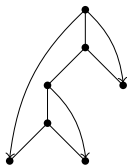
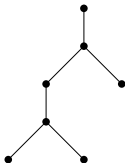
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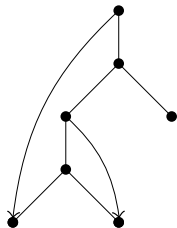
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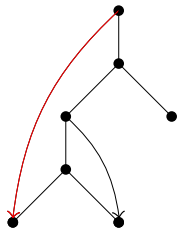


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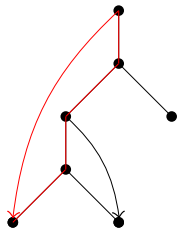
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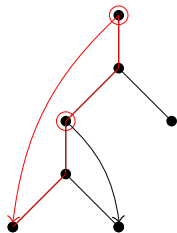
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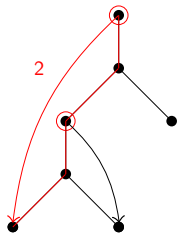
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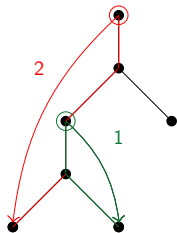
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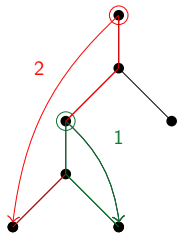


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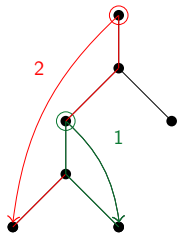


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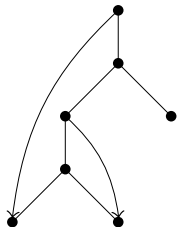


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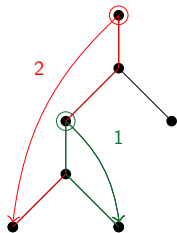
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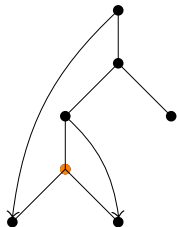
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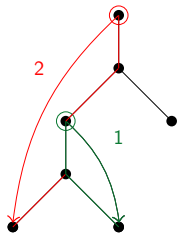
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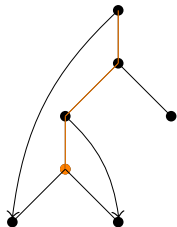
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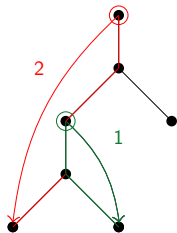
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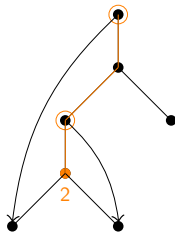
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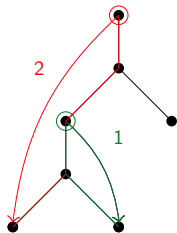
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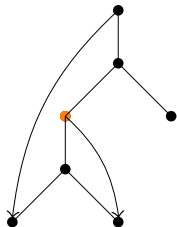
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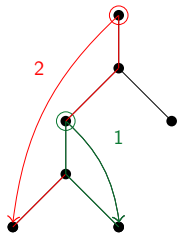
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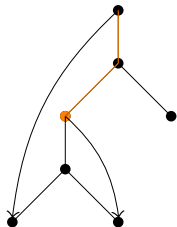
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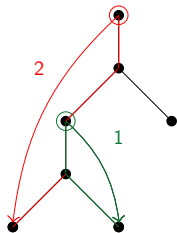
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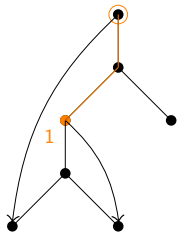
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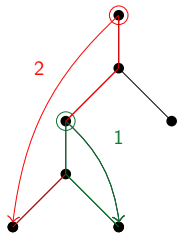


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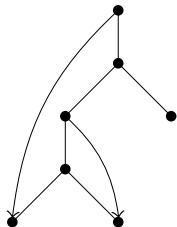


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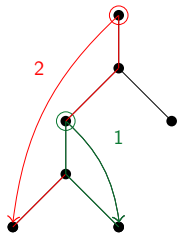


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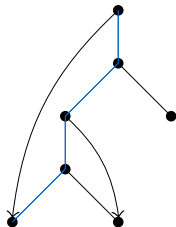


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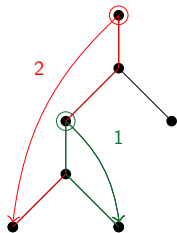


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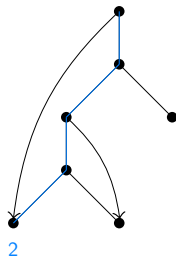


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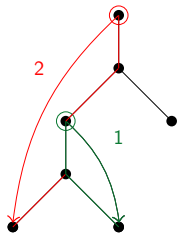


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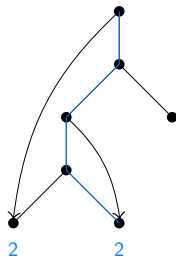


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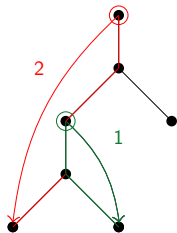


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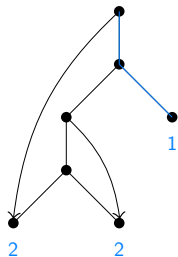


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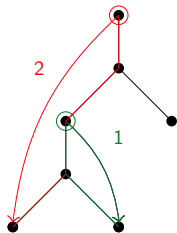


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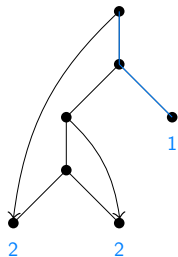


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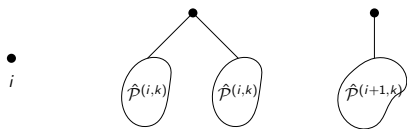
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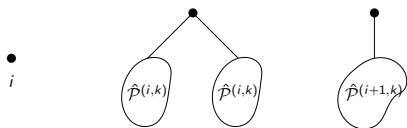
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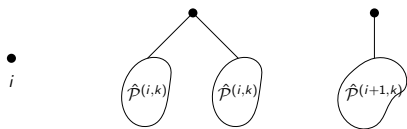
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with  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$ .

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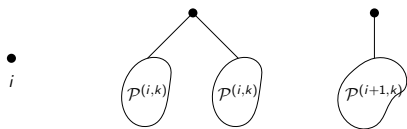
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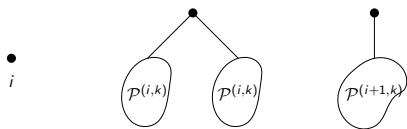
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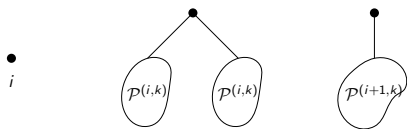
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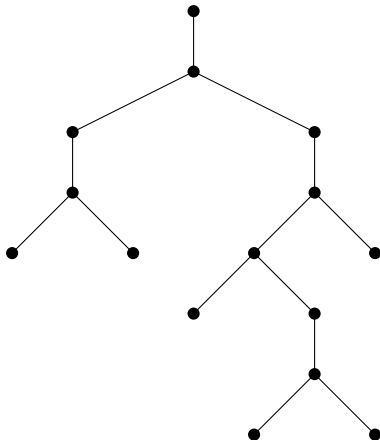
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bound $k$	$j + 1$	$B''(1) + B'(1) - B'(1)^2$	$B'(1)$
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3	2	0.0210625856	0.4414407371
4	2	0.0167136805	0.4463973717
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6	2	0.0138224393	0.4536185043
7	2	0.0131157948	0.4561987871
<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.048</b>	<b>0.4</b>
9	3	0.0582322465	0.4566104777
10	3	0.0470481360	0.4560418340
11	3	0.0396601986	0.4560810348
12	3	0.0345090124	0.4564489368
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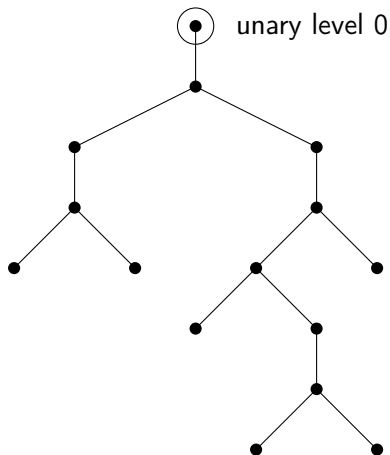
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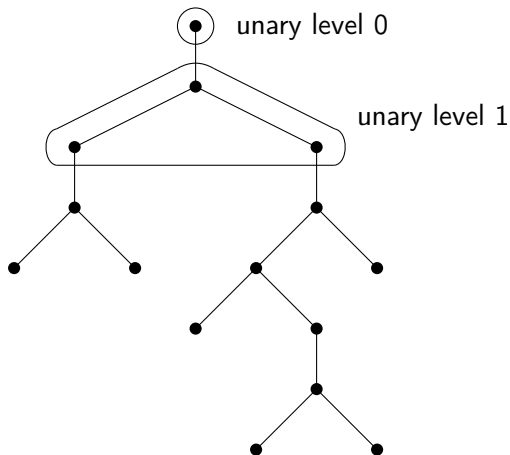
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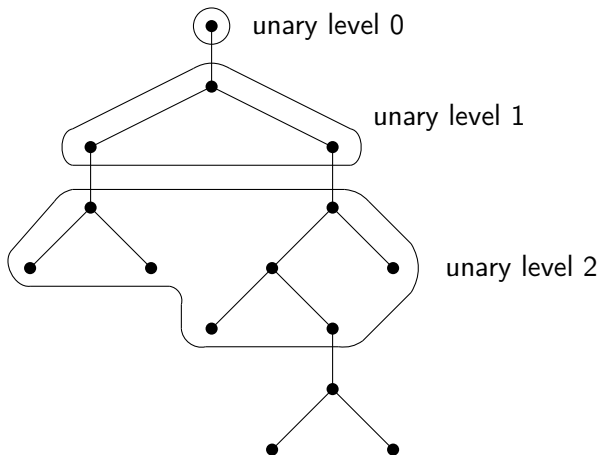
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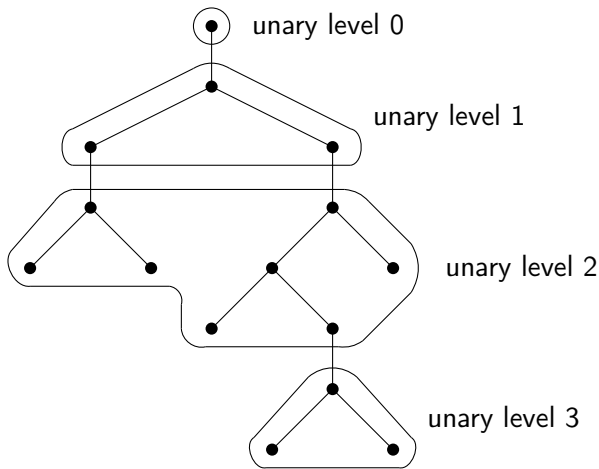
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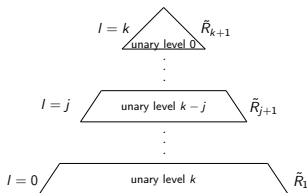
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and for  $2 \leq i \leq k + 1, i \neq l + 1$

$$\tilde{R}_i(z, u) = 1 - 4z^2(k - i + 1) - 2z + 2z\sqrt{\tilde{R}_{i-1}(z, u)},$$

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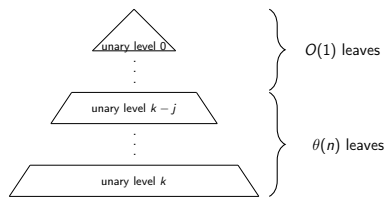
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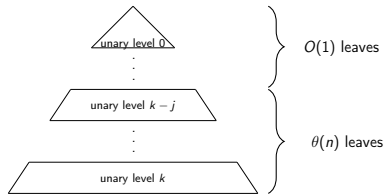
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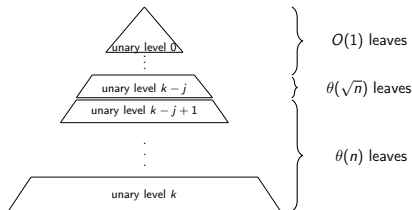
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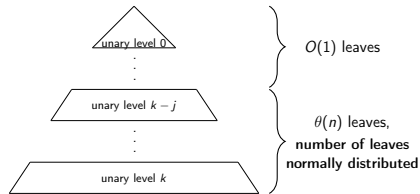
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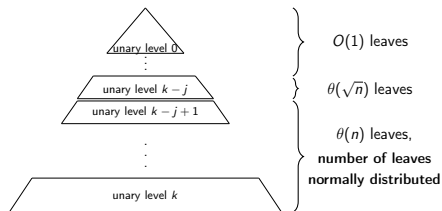
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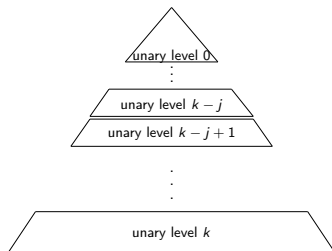
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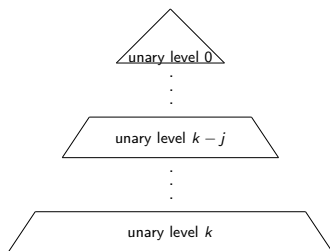


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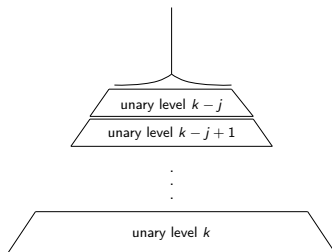
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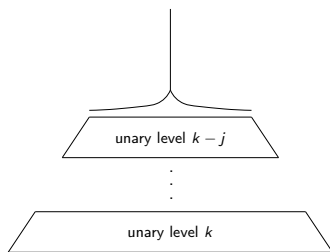


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