# Holonomic equations and efficient random generation of binary trees 

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## Holonomic equation

An holonomic recurrence is

$$
P_{s}(n) F_{n+s}+P_{s-1}(n) F_{n+s-1}+\ldots+P_{0}(n) F_{n}=0
$$

where the $P_{s}(n)$ are polynomials in $n$.
The paradigm is

$$
(n+1) C_{n}-2(2 n-1) C_{n-1}=0
$$

an equation for Catalan numbers known from Olinde Rodrigues in 1838.


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In the construction,

- one builds a Schröder tree of size $n+1$ from a tree of size $n$, or
- one fails.

Foata \& Zeilberger construction for Schröder trees


The 11 Schröder trees with 4 leaves.

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## Benchmarks

| size | time | ratio |
| ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 1000 | $0.012 s$ | 0.024 |
| 5000 | $0.031 s$ | 0.0288 |
| 10000 | $0.064 s$ | 0.025 |
| 50000 | $0.200 s$ | 0.0269 |
| 100000 | $0.290 s$ | 0.02707 |
| 500000 | $1.295 s$ | 0.027762 |
| 1000000 | $3.065 s$ | 0.027883 |
| 5000000 | $15.183 s$ | 0.0276378 |
| 10000000 | $30.738 s$ | 0.0275827 |

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## Any Question?

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The 7 patterns of leaf-marked slanting trees



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- if $c \leq \frac{(2 n+1) M n-1}{(n+2) M_{n}}$, we choose case1,
- if $c>\frac{(2 n+1) M n-1}{(n+2) M_{n}}$, we choose case2.


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I can build a random Motzkin tree of size 10 millions in 45 s .

