# Combinatorial Rearrangements on Arbitrary Graphs 

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Motivation

## Recurrence Relations

## Original Problem (Honsberger)

A classroom has 5 rows of 5 desks per row. The teacher requests each pupil to change his seat by going either to the seat in front, the one behind, the one to his left, or the one to his right (of course not all these options are possible to all students). Determine whether or not his directive can be carried out.

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## Seating Rearrangements and Tilings



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## Cycle Covers

## Definition

Given a digraph $D=(V, E)$, a cycle cover of $D$ is a subset $C \subseteq E$, such that the induced digraph of $C$ contains each vertex in $V$, and each vertex in the induced subgraph lies on exactly one cycle [7].

## Permutation Parity

A cycle cover (permutation) is odd if it contains an odd number of even cycles.


## Odd Cycle Cover


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## Even Cycle Cover



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## Permanents

The permanent of an $n \times n$ matrix, $M$, is defined as:

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## Simple Graphs

| Graph | Rearrangements | With Stays |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $P_{n}$ | $0,1,0,1,0 \ldots$ | $f_{n}$ |
| $C_{n}$ | $0,1,2,4,2,4 \ldots$ | $I_{n}+2=f_{n}+f_{n-2}+2$ |
| $K_{n}$ | $D(n)$ | $n!$ |
| $K_{n, n}$ | $(n!)^{2}$ | $\sum_{i=0}^{n}\left[(n)_{i}\right]^{2}$ |
| $K_{m, n}$ with $m \leq n$ | 0 | $\sum_{i=0}^{m}(m)_{i}(n)_{i}$ |

## Computational Counting

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## Game Pieces

Consider an $m \times n$ chessboard along with $m n$ copies of a particular game piece, one on each square. In how many ways can the pieces be rearranged if they must each make one legal move? Or at most one legal move? Can these rearrangement problems be solved with recurrence techniques?

## $8 \times 8$ Rook Graph



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## $8 \times 8$ Knight Graph



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8 < 8 Bishop Graph
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## Fibonacci Relations

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## Knight Rearrangements



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## Hosoya Index of Trees

The Hosoya index is a topological invariant from computational chemistry that is equivalent to the total number of matchings on a graph. This index correlates with many physical properties of organic compounds, especially the alkanes (saturated hydrocarbons).

## Theorem

Let $T$ be an $n$-tree with adjacency matrix $A(T)$. Then the Hosoya index of $T$ is equal to $\operatorname{det}\left(A(T) i+I_{n}\right)$

## Hosoya Index Proof

## Proof.

## Sketch.

Since $T$ is a tree there is a direct bijection between a given cycle cover on $\overleftrightarrow{T}$ with a self loop added to each vertex and a matching on $T$. Furthermore, $\operatorname{per}\left(A(T)+I_{n}\right)$ counts these cycle covers. To see that $\operatorname{det}\left(A(T) i+I_{n}\right)=\operatorname{per}\left(A(T)+I_{n}\right)$ notice that each $2-$ cycle and thus each even cycle counted in $\operatorname{det}\left(A(T) i+I_{n}\right)$ has a weight of $i^{2}=-1$, and thus that the weight of each cycle cover is equal to the sign of the permutation.

## Isopentane Example



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## $A(T) i+I_{17}$



## Theorems

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## Bipartite Graphs Theorem

## Theorem <br> Let $G=(\{U, V\}, E)$ be a bipartite graph. The number of rearrangements on $G$ is equal to the square of the number of perfect matchings on $G$.

## Bipartite Graphs Proof

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Construct a bijection between pairs of perfect matchings on $G$ and cycle covers on $\overleftrightarrow{G}$. WLOG select two perfect matchings of $G, m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$. For each edge, $\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)$ in $m_{1}$ place a directed edge in the cycle cover from $u_{1}$ to $v_{1}$. Similarly, for each edge, $\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)$ in $m_{2}$ place a directed edge in the cycle cover from $v_{2}$ to $u_{2}$. Since $m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$ are perfect matchings, by construction, each vertex in the cycle cover has in-degree and out-degree equal to 1 .
Given a cycle cover $C$ on $\overleftrightarrow{G}$ construct two perfect matchings on $G$ by taking the directed edges from vertices in $U$ to vertices in $V$ separately from the directed edges from $V$ to $U$. Each of these sets of (undirected) edges corresponds to a perfect matching by the definition of cycle cover and the bijection is complete.

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Observe that $P_{2} \times G$ is equivalent to two identical copies of $G$ where each vertex is connected to its copy by a single edge $\left(P_{2}\right)$. To construct a bijection between these two sets of objects, associate a self-loop in a cycle cover with an edge between a vertex and its copy in the perfect matching. Since the graph is bipartite, the remaining cycles in the cycle cover can be decomposed into matching edges from $U$ to $V$ and from $V$ to $U$ as in the previous theorem.

## Seating Rearrangements with Stays

- Applying the previous theorem to the original problem of seating rearrangements gives that the number of rearrangements in a $m \times n$ classroom, where the students are allowed to remain in place or move is equal to the number of perfect matchings in $P_{2} \times P_{m} \times P_{n}$. These matchings are equivalent to tiling a $2 \times m \times n$ rectangular prism with $1 \times 1 \times 2$ tiles.
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On any rectangular $m \times n$ board $B$ with $m$ fixed, and a marker on each square, where the set of permissible movements has a maximum horizontal displacement, the number of rearrangements on $B$ satisfies a linear, homogeneous, constant-coefficient recurrence relation as $n$ varies.

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Let $d$ represent the maximum permissible horizontal displacement. Consider any set of marker movements that completes the first column. After all of the markers in the first column been moved, and other markers have been moved in to the first column to fill the remaining empty squares, any square in the initial $m \times d$ sub-rectangle may be in one of four states. Let $S$ be the collection of all $4^{m d}$ possible states of the initial $m \times d$ sub-rectangle, and let $S^{*}$ represent the corresponding sequences counting the number of rearrangements of a board of length $n$ beginning with each state as $n$ varies. Finally, let $a_{n}$ denote the sequence that describes the number of rearrangements on $B$ as $n$ varies.
For any board beginning with an element of $S$, consider all of possible sets of movements that "complete" the initial column. The resulting state is also in S, and has length $n-k$ for some $k$ in $[1, d]$. Hence, the corresponding sequence can be expressed as a sum of elements in $S^{*}$ with subscripts bounded below by $n-d$. This system of recurrences can be expressed as a linear, homogeneous, constant-coefficient recurrence relation in $a_{n}$ either through the Cayley-Hamilton Theorem or by the successor operator matrix.

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## LHCCRR Extensions

- Cylinders

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- n even
- Must create an odd cycle: $\frac{n}{2} \cdot 2 n=n^{2}$

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| No stays | 9 | 16 | 25 | 36 | 49 | 64 | 81 | 100 | $n^{2}$ |
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Condition on the behavior of the center marker:

- if it remains in place,
- $C_{n}=f_{n}+f_{n-2}+2$
- if it moves to one of the $n$ other vertices,
- $n f_{n-1}+2 n \sum_{k=2}^{n} f_{n-k}=n f_{n-1}+2 n f_{n}-2 n$
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Hypercube of Order 4


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## Hypercubes

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| $R(n)$ with stays | 2 | 9 | 272 | 589185 | 16332454526976 |

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