

Increasing paths on The hypercube

joint with Eric Brunet & Zhan Shi

Paris-Bath meeting on branching structures



Le retour de la vengeance

Motivation

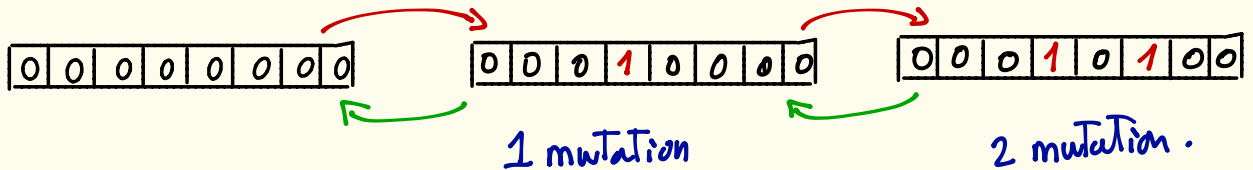
Population with asexual reproduction

A genome with L loci (= location of genes)
or with L sites (= DNA letter)

⇒ 2 viable Types (alleles) for each gene:

- The wild type (0)
- the mutant type (1)

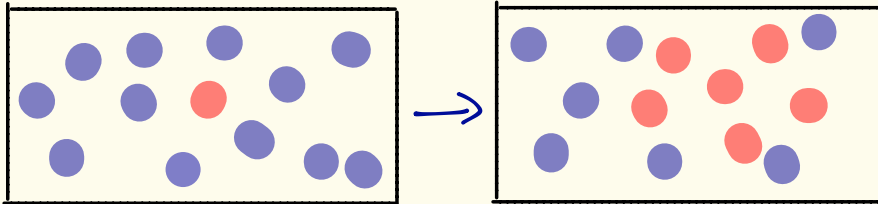
0 → 1 forward mutation
0 ← 1 backward mutation



when a mutation occurs, only 1 gene affected.

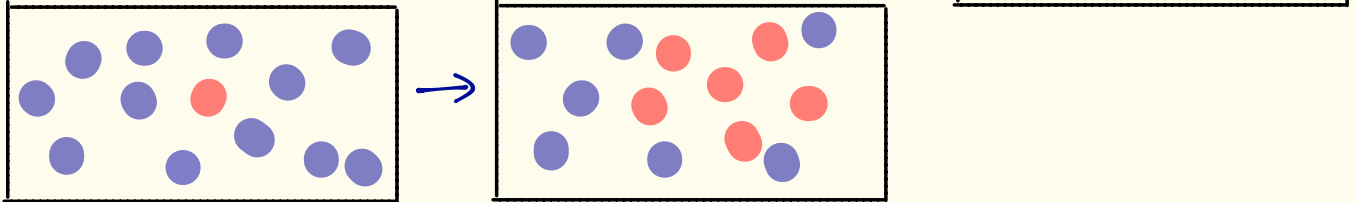
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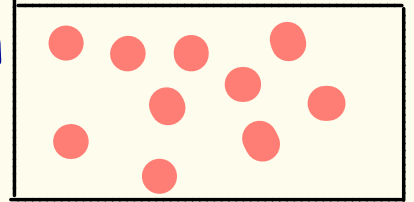
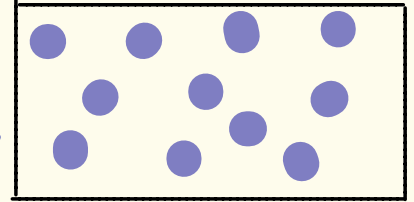
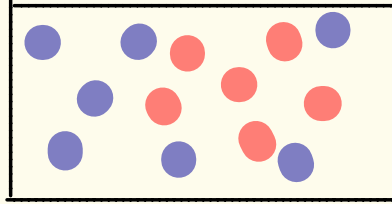
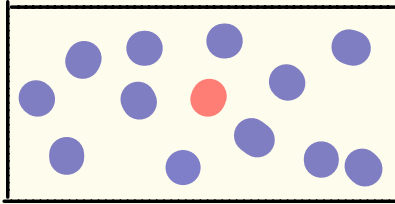
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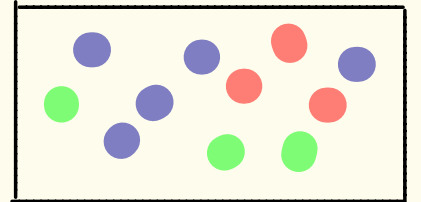
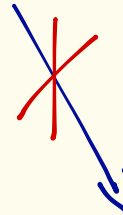
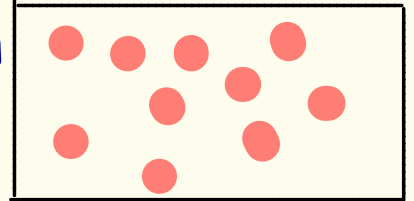
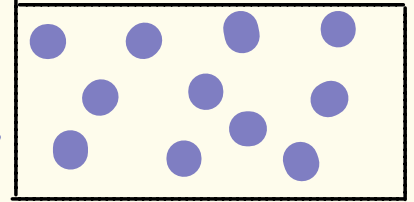
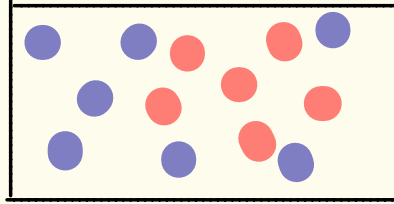
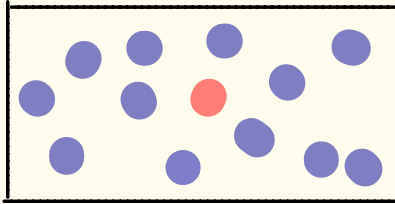
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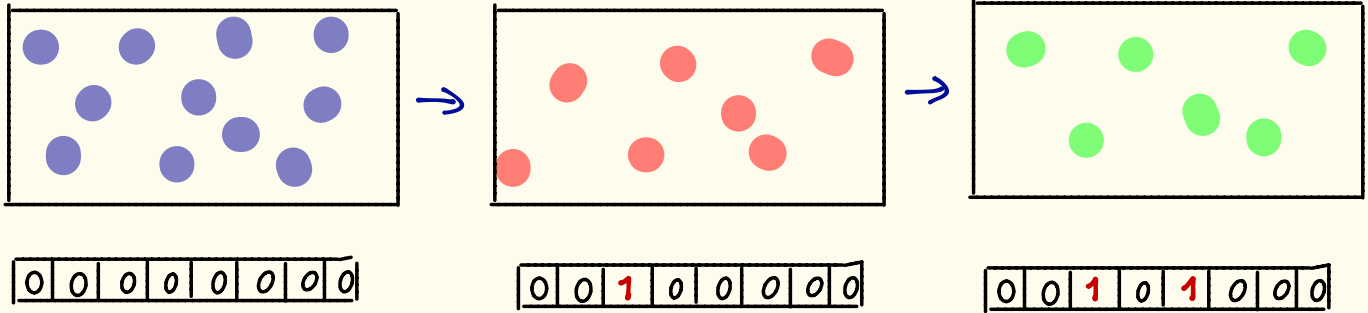
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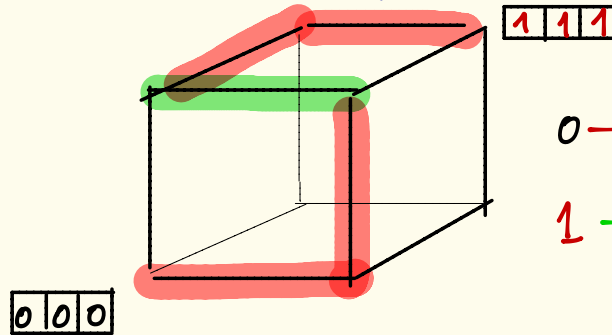
No new mutation can appear
before the pop is homogeneous.

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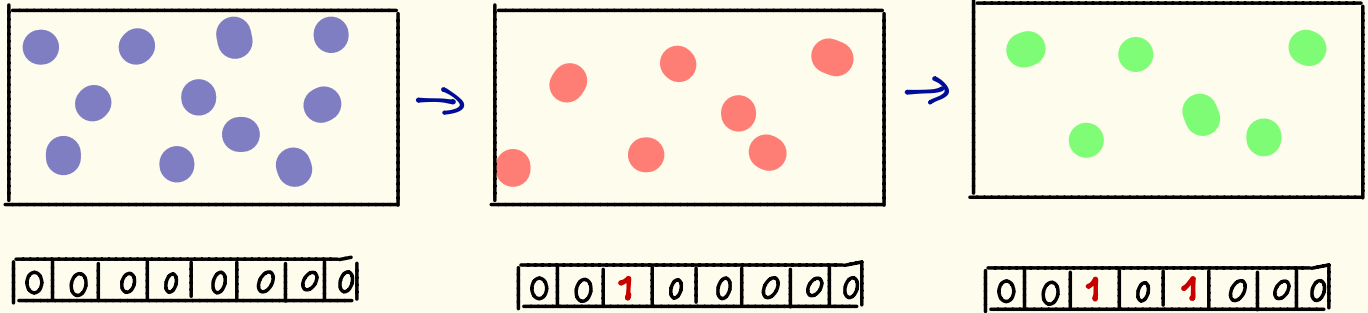
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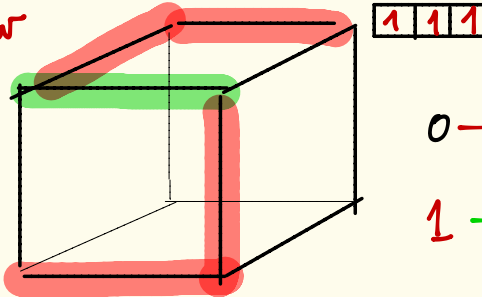
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- We assume the House-of-Cards (HOC) model
(x_σ) are iid r.v. with nm-atomic distr.

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 $\sigma_0 = (0,0,0,\dots,0)$ as well

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Theorem (Hegarty - Martinsson 2012)

$$\text{As } L \rightarrow \infty \quad \mathbb{P}(\# \text{ open paths} > 0) \sim \frac{\ln L}{L}$$

$$\text{If } a(L) \rightarrow \infty$$
$$\mathbb{P}^{\frac{\ln L - a(L)}{L}}(\# \text{ open paths} > 0) \rightarrow 1$$
$$\mathbb{P}^{\frac{\ln L + a(L)}{L}}(\# \text{ open paths} > 0) \rightarrow 0$$

→ Sharp transition around starting fitness $\ln L / L$

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If $x = x(L)$ so that $\mathbb{E}^{x(L)}(\Theta) \nearrow \infty$ then

$$\mathbb{E}^{x(L)}(\Theta^2) \sim 4 [\mathbb{E}^{x(L)}(\Theta)]^2 \quad (\sum_{\alpha} \sum_{\beta} \text{dominated by } \text{---} \text{---})$$

$$\text{Shows } \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}^{x(L)}(\Theta > 0) = 1$$

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Theorem (B, Brunet, Shi '13)

$\exists \gamma$ $x(L) = \frac{\gamma}{L}$, as $L \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\frac{1}{L} \theta \xrightarrow{\text{law}} e^{-\gamma} \times \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{E}'$$

where $\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}'$ are two indep. exponential variables with mean 1.

Paths with forward and backward mutations, $\text{fittest} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$

Both $0 \rightarrow 1$ and $1 \rightarrow 0$ are possible.

Only self-avoiding paths can be open.

- going from $(0, \dots, 0)$ to $(1, \dots, 1)$, # of self avoiding paths?

Prop for L large enough $e^{c2^L} \leq a_L \leq e^{c'(\ln L)2^L}$

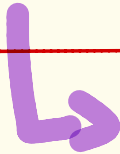
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$$[\mathbb{E}^x[\theta]]^{1/L} \xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} \sinh(1-x)$$

corollary: if $x > 1 - \sinh^{-1}(1) \simeq 0.11863 \dots$ $P^x(\theta > 0) \rightarrow 0$.

Paths with forward and backward mutations

. If fittest site is at distance αL , then

$$[E^x(\theta)]^{1/L} \rightarrow \sinh(1-x)^\alpha \cosh(1-x)^{1-\alpha}$$

. If fittest site picked unif.

$$[E^x(\theta)]^{1/L} \rightarrow \sinh(1-x)^{1/2} \cosh(1-x)^{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sinh(2-2x)}{2}}$$

No open path if $x > 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sinh^{-1}(2) = 0.27818\dots$

conjecture : $P^x(\theta > 0) \rightarrow 1$ if $x < x^*$
and $P(\theta > 0) \rightarrow x^*$

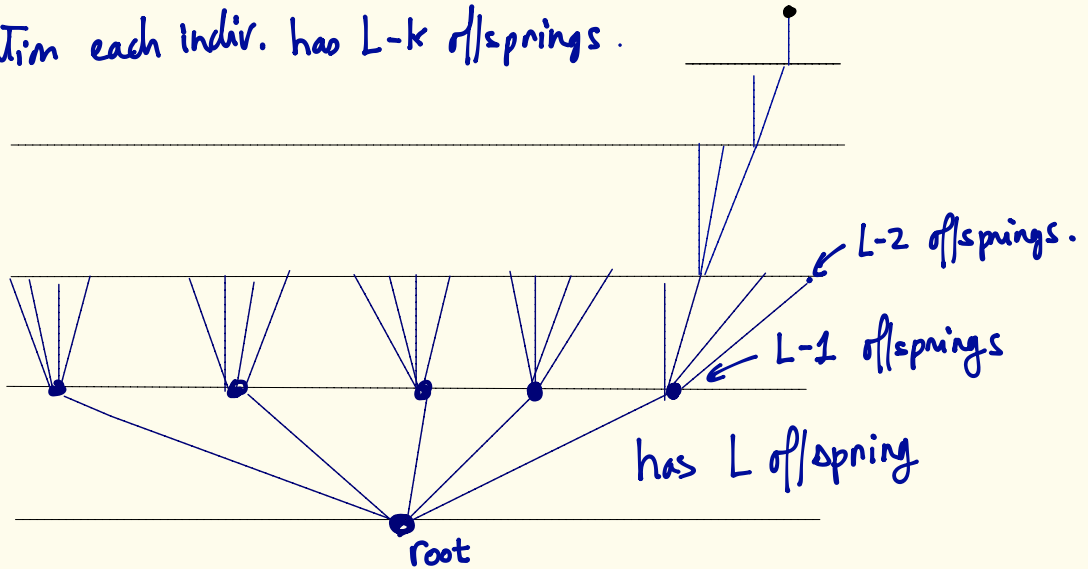
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Outlines of proofs

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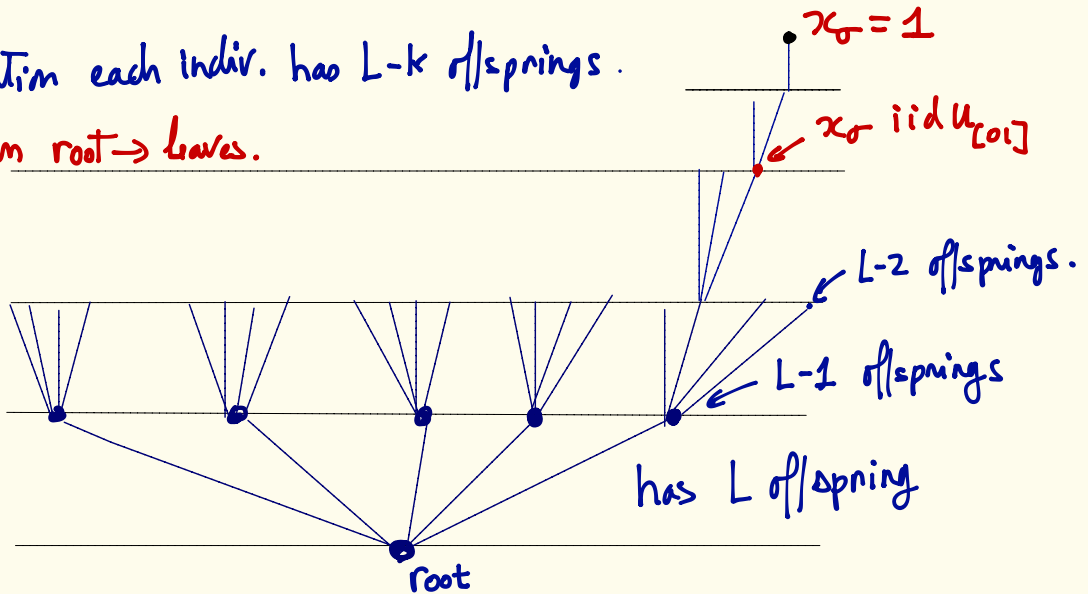


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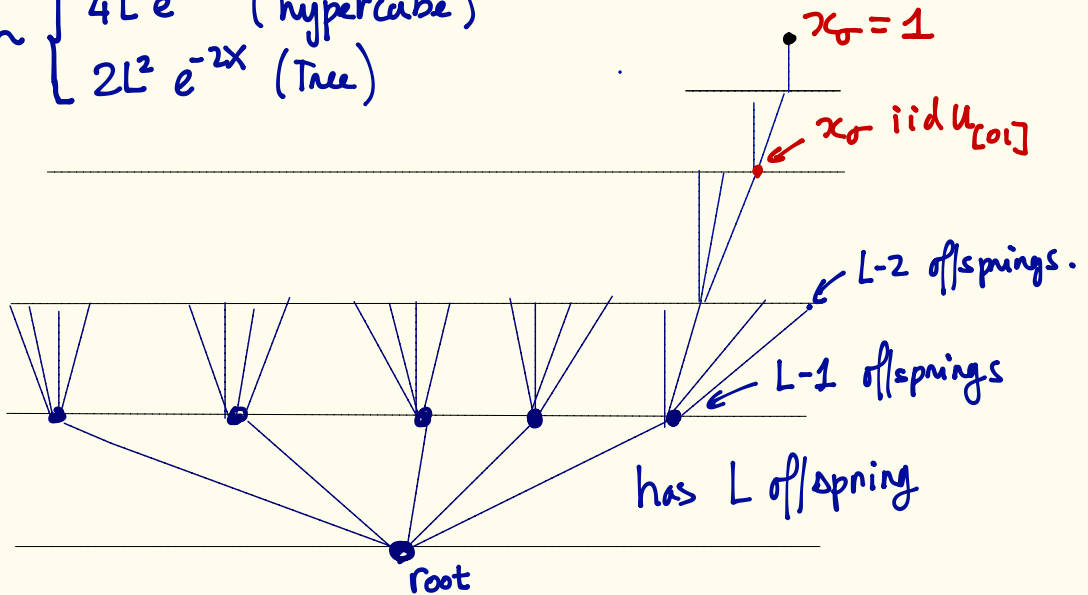
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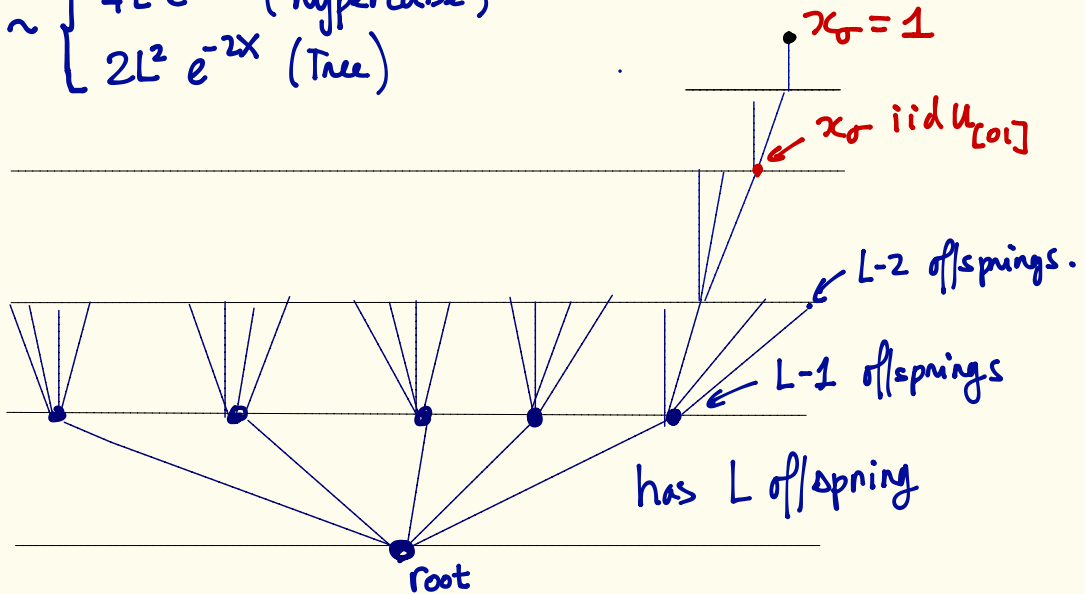
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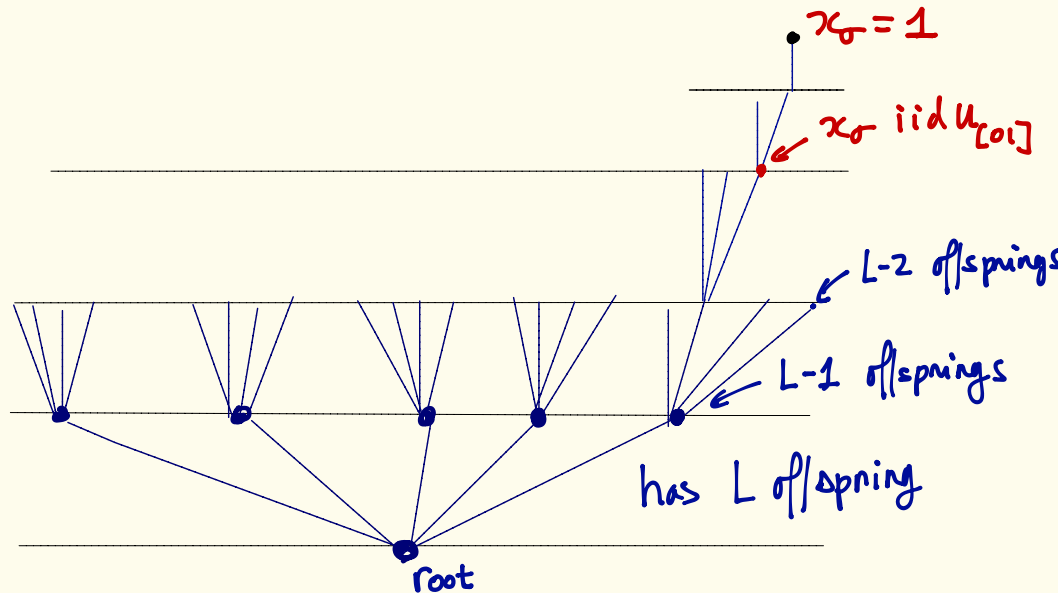
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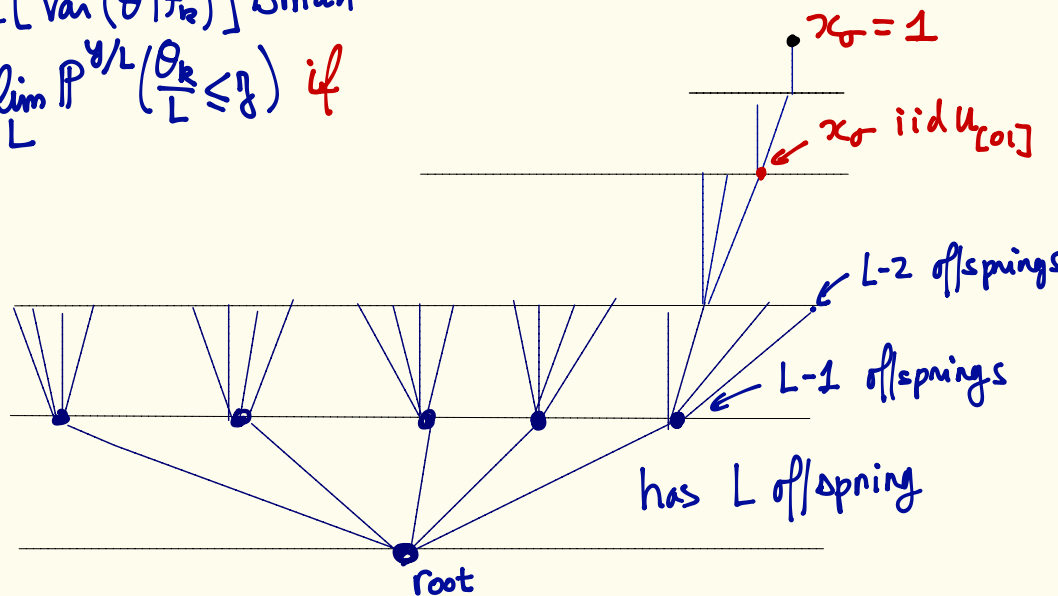
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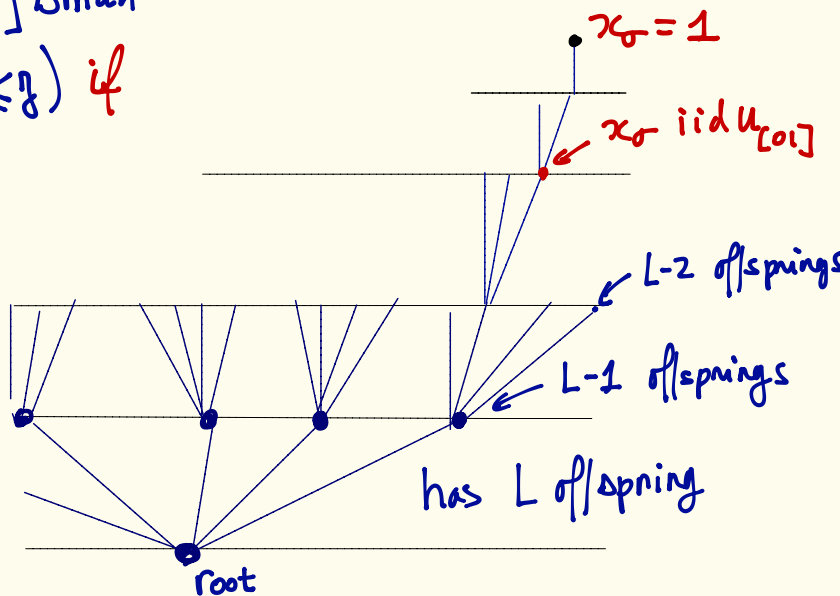
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$$\text{but } \lim_L \mathbb{E}^{y/L} [\text{Var}(\Theta_L | \mathcal{F}_k)] = \frac{e^{-2y}}{2^k}$$

⇒ In the $L \rightarrow \infty, k \rightarrow \infty$ limit
 $\frac{\Theta}{L}$ and $\frac{\Theta_k}{L}$ have same dist



$$\Theta_k = \sum_{|\sigma|=1} \mathbb{1}_{x_\sigma > x} (\Theta_{k-1}^{(\sigma)} \text{ (L-1) trees rooted in } \sigma)$$

$$G_k(\lambda, x, L) := \mathbb{E}^x [e^{-\lambda \Theta_k}] = \left[1 - \int_x^1 dy (1 - \int_x^1 dy (1 - G_{k-1}(\lambda, y, L-1))) \right]^L$$

$$G_0(\lambda, x, L) = e^{-\lambda L(1-x)^{L-1}}$$

$$G_k\left(\frac{\nu}{L}, \frac{y}{L}, L\right) = \mathbb{E}^{y/L} \left(e^{-\nu \Theta_k / L} \right) = \left[1 - \frac{1}{L} \int_y^L dy (1 - G_{k-1}\left(\frac{\nu}{L}, \frac{y}{L}, L-1\right)) \right]^L$$

Only forward mutation, tree model

$F_k = \text{info in } k \text{ 1st levels}$

$$\Theta_k = \mathbb{E}[\Theta | F_k] = \sum_{|\sigma|=k} \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{open}}} (L-k)(1-x_\sigma)^{L-k-1} = \# \text{leaves } > \sigma \times \mathbb{P}(\sigma \rightarrow \text{leaf open})$$

$\uparrow = (L-k)! / (L-k-1)!$

we proceed in two steps :

1) Show that $\lim_L \mathbb{P}_{y/L} \left(\frac{\Theta}{L} \leq y \right) = \lim_k \lim_L \mathbb{P}_{y/L} \left(\frac{\Theta_k}{L} \leq y \right)$

2) Show that $\frac{\Theta_k}{L} \xrightarrow{L} \infty$ when $L \rightarrow \infty$ and then $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Step 1:

upper bound

$$P\left(\frac{\theta}{L} \leq \gamma \mid \mathcal{F}_k\right) \leq \mathbb{1}\left[\frac{\theta_k}{L} \leq \gamma + \gamma \mid \mathcal{F}_k\right] + P\left[\frac{|\theta - \theta_k|}{L} \geq \gamma \mid \mathcal{F}_k\right]$$

$$\text{Chebyshev } P\left(\frac{|\theta - \theta_k|}{L} \geq \gamma \mid \mathcal{F}_k\right) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(\theta \mid \mathcal{F}_k)}{L^2 \gamma^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{y/L}\left(\frac{\theta}{L} \leq \gamma\right) \leq P_{y/L}\left(\frac{\theta_k}{L} \leq \gamma + \gamma\right) + \frac{\mathbb{E}_{y/L}[\text{Var}(\theta \mid \mathcal{F}_k)]}{L^2 \gamma^2}$$

$$\underline{\text{need:}} \lim_k \limsup_L \frac{1}{L^2} \mathbb{E}_{y/L}[\text{Var}(\theta \mid \mathcal{F}_k)] = 0$$

lower bound same argument

Step 2

$$G_k(\lambda, x, L) = \mathbb{E}^x [e^{-\lambda \theta_k}]$$

$$\theta_0 = \mathbb{E}^x[\theta] \quad G_0(\lambda, x, L) = \exp(-\lambda L(1-x)^{L-1})$$

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$$\text{with } \tilde{G}_0(p, y) = \exp[-p e^{-y}]$$

$\Rightarrow$ from $\frac{y}{L}$, θ_k/L has a limit

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How many open?

Only forward mutation, Tree model

The natural way to do this would be to look at

$$G(x, \lambda, L) = \mathbb{E}^x [e^{-\lambda \Theta}]$$

$$G(x, \lambda, 1) = e^{-\lambda}, \quad G(x, \lambda, L) = \prod_{i=1}^L \mathbb{E} [e^{-\lambda \Theta_i} \mathbb{1}_{x_i > x} + \mathbb{1}_{x_i < x}]$$
$$= \left[x + \int_x^1 dg G(g, \lambda, L-1) \right]^L$$

Problem: when L vary both # of levels and size of levels vary