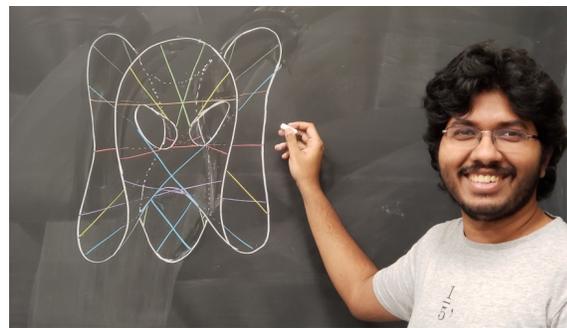


# Zeta statistics

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General question:

$(X_n)_{n \geq 1}$  vars /  $\mathbb{F}_q$

$Z_{X_n}(q^{-\dim X_{n+1}}) \xrightarrow{?}$

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the <sup>modified</sup> Grothendieck ring of varieties

$k$  field

$$K_0(\text{Var}_k) = \mathbb{Z} \langle \text{iso classes of var}/k \rangle$$

$$\begin{array}{l} X - Z - U \\ (X \text{ var}/k, Z \hookrightarrow X \\ U = X \setminus Z) \end{array}$$

$X - Y$   
( $f: X \rightarrow Y$  radical  
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$$\text{Product: } [X] \cdot [Y] = [X \times Y] \quad 1 = [\text{Spec } k]$$

$$\text{Element } \mathbb{L}: \quad \mathbb{L} = [A^1_k]$$

Localised Grothendieck ring:

$$\mathcal{M}_k = K_0(\text{Var}_k) [\mathbb{L}^{-1}]$$

Dimensional filtration:

$\text{Fil}^d \mathcal{M}_k = \text{subgp of } \mathcal{M}_k \text{ generated by}$   
 $[X] \mathbb{R}^{-n}, \dim X - n \leq -d$

Decreasing, exhaustive filtration on  $\mathcal{M}_k$

Completion:  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_k$ .

Counting measure

$k = \mathbb{F}_q$

$\#_{\mathbb{F}_q} : \text{Ko}(\text{Var}_{\mathbb{F}_q}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

$X \mapsto |X(\mathbb{F}_q)|$

Question:  $(a_n)_n$  seq of elements of  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_q}$

How to compare

1.  $\#_{\mathbb{F}_q}(a_n) \rightarrow \text{limit } (e\mathbb{R})$

2.  $a_n \xrightarrow{\dim \text{top}} \text{limit } (e\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_k)$

Problem:

$\#_{\mathbb{F}_q}$  is not continuous w.r.t. dimensional topology.

(ex:  $q_f^{2n} \mathbb{Z}^{-n} \xrightarrow{\text{dim top}} 0$  but  $\#_{\mathbb{F}_q}(q_f^{2n} \mathbb{Z}^{-n}) \rightarrow \infty$ )

**Bertini type Theorems:**

$X \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  smooth proj variety

$U_d \subset \Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d))$

open subset of hypersurfaces intersecting  $X$  transversely.

Thm: (Poonen '04)  $k = \mathbb{F}_q$

$$\frac{|U_d(\mathbb{F}_q)|}{|\Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d))(\mathbb{F}_q)|} \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} Z_X(q^{-\dim X - 1})^{-1}$$

$= |U_d(\mathbb{F}_q)| q_f^{-\dim \Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d))}$

Thm: (Vakil - Wood '15)  $\widehat{A}_n \widehat{\mathcal{M}}_k$

$$\frac{[U_d]}{[\Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d))]} \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} Z_X^{\text{Kap}}(\mathbb{Z}^{-\dim X - 1})^{-1}$$

$= [U_d] \mathbb{Z}^{-\dim \Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d))}$

$Z_X^{\text{Kap}}(t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} [\text{Sym}_n X] t^n$   
 $X^n / S_n$

Question: how to compare these results when  $k = \mathbb{F}_q$ ?

From now on:  $k$  finite,  $= \mathbb{F}_q$ .

Plan: pass to zeta functions, i.e. apply the zeta measure

$$\text{zeta: } \mathcal{M}_k \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_1 = \{f \in \mathbb{C}(t), f(0) = 1\}$$

$$X \mapsto Z_X(t)$$

$$\mathbb{A}^1 \mapsto \frac{1}{1-qt}$$

$$\mathbb{A}^n \mapsto \frac{1}{1-q^n t}$$

Ring structure:

$$\mathcal{R}_1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{C}^*]$$

$$f = \prod_a (1-at)^{-k_a} \mapsto \sum_a k_a [a]$$

$$k_a \in \mathbb{Z}$$

( $-\text{div } f(t^{-1})$ )

$$\frac{1}{1-qt} \mapsto [q]$$

## Topologies on $\mathcal{R}_1$ :

- coefficient topology:

$$\mathcal{R}_1 \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{power series} \\ \text{exp at } 0}} 1 + t \mathbb{C}[[t]]$$

$\prod_{\mathbb{C}}^{\mathbb{N}}$  with product top

- wright topology:

$$\left\| \sum_a k_a [a] \right\|_{\infty} = \sup_{k_a \neq 0} |a|$$

- Hadamard topology:

$$\left\| \sum_a k_a [a] \right\|_H = \sum_a |k_a| |a|$$

Prop: the completion of  $\mathcal{R}_1$  for  $\|\cdot\|_H$  is

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_a k_a [a] \quad (\text{discretely supported}) \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_a |k_a| |a| < \infty \end{array} \right\} \quad \sum k_a [a]$$

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Hadamard factorisation

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{f}{g}, \quad f, g \text{ entire functions} \\ \text{of genus zero,} \\ f(0) = g(0) = 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

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$$\frac{\prod_{k_a < 0} (1 - at)^{-k_a}}{\prod_{k_a > 0} (1 - at)^{k_a}}$$

ring of Hadamard functions.

Principle: (Meta-conjecture) if  
 $a_n \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_q}$

is a "natural" sequence of classes s.t.

$$Z_{a_n}(t) \rightarrow f \in \mathcal{H}_1$$

both in the coeff and in the weight top, then  
 it converges also in the Hadamard top.

Back to Bertini:

Conjecture:  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n$  smooth proj variety

$$U_d \subset \Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d))$$

Hyper-surfaces intersecting  $X$  transversely.

$$Z_{U_d} \left( q^{\dim \Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d))} t \right) \xrightarrow[\text{Hadamard top}]{} Z_{X, \text{zeta}}^{\text{Kap}} \left( \prod_{\text{zeta}}^{-\dim X - 1} \right)^{-1}$$

Hadamard  $\mathcal{H}_1$  function

## Pattern-avoiding zero-cycles

Motivation from number theory

$a_1, \dots, a_m$  are said to be relatively  $n$ -prime if there does not exist  $f \geq 2$  s.t.

$$\forall i \quad f^n \mid a_i$$

( $\Leftrightarrow$   $\gcd(a_1, \dots, a_m)$   $n^{\text{th}}$ -power-free)

**Thm:** Given  $m, n \geq 1$

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\#\{(a_1, \dots, a_m) \in \{1, \dots, d\}^m, a_1, \dots, a_m \text{ rel. } n\text{-prime}\}}{d^m}$$

exists, and equals  $\zeta(mn)^{-1}$ .

$X$  quasi-proj /  $k$

Def:  $X_n^{(d_1, \dots, d_m)} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (C_1, \dots, C_m) \in \text{Sym}^{d_1} X \times \dots \times \text{Sym}^{d_m} X \\ \text{s.t. } \forall x \in X, \text{ multiplicities of } x \\ \text{in } C_1, \dots, C_m \text{ are} \\ \text{not all } \geq n \end{array} \right\}$

Obs:  $X_2^d = \text{Conf}^d X \subset \text{Sym}^d X$

Thm:

$$\lim_{d_1, \dots, d_m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[X_n^{(d_1, \dots, d_m)}]_{\text{zeta}}}{[\text{Sym}^{d_1} X \times \dots \times \text{Sym}^{d_m} X]_{\text{zeta}}} = \sum_{X, \text{zeta}}^{\text{Kap}} \left( \prod_{\text{zeta}}^{-mn \dim X} \right)^{-1}$$

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Hadamard  
top

Remarks:

- More generally holds for motivic measure

$$\varphi: \mathcal{M}_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad (\text{normed rg})$$

satisfying some natural conditions.

- lifts/generalizes results by

Farb - Wolfson - Wood 2019

Vakil - Wood 2015

- Proof: generating function argument

$$\frac{\sum_d [X_n^d] t^d}{\sum_d [\text{Sym}^d X] t^d} = \sum_X^{\text{Kap}} \left( (t_1 \dots t_m)^m \right)^{-1}$$

- more generally:

multiplicities  $\neq v \quad \forall v \in V$

$(\neq (m_1, \dots, m))$