

# Automorphism groups and limit laws of random nonrigid structures.

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For an  $L$ -structure  $\mathcal{M}$ .

$$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{M}) := \{f : f \text{ is an isomorphism from } \mathcal{M} \text{ to } \mathcal{M}\}$$

Note that  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{M})$  is a group under composition. If  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{M}) = \{Id_{\mathcal{M}}\}$  we say that  $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{M})$  is trivial, and  $\mathcal{M}$  is called rigid.

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Combined, these results give us that the rigid structures in  $\mathbf{S}$  has a zero-one law.

Is it possible generalize this?

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Zero-One law in more deconstructed cases; For  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbf{S}$  without fix-points and  $H \leq \text{Aut}(A)$  not fixating  $\mathcal{A}$  let:

$$\mathbf{S}_n(\mathcal{A}, H) := \{\mathcal{M} \in \mathbf{S}_n : \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{M}, H \leq \text{Aut}(\mathcal{M})\}$$

### Theorem

$\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{A}, H)$  has a zero-one law.

Some convergence laws then follows from finite unions over  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $H$ .

Previous work has been done by Cameron<sup>4</sup> who studied nonrigid unlabeled undirected graphs. He showed, among other things that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\{\mathcal{M} \in \mathbf{S}_n : G \cong \text{Aut}(\mathcal{M})\}|}{|\{\mathcal{M} \in \mathbf{S}_n : G \leq \text{Aut}(\mathcal{M})\}|}$$

always converges to a rational number, something we now have generalized to a general vocabulary (labeled and unlabeled).

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For  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbf{S}$  such that  $Aut(\mathcal{A})$  has no fixed point, and  $H \leq Aut(\mathcal{A})$  such that  $H$  has no fixed point. Then

$$\mathcal{M} \in \mathbf{S}_n(\mathcal{A}, H)$$

if  $\mathcal{M} \in \mathbf{S}_n$  such that there is an embedding

$f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ ,  $f(\mathcal{A}) = Spt^*(\mathcal{M})$  and  $\{f\sigma f^{-1} : \sigma \in H\}$  is a subgroup of  $Aut(\mathcal{M}) \upharpoonright Spt^*(\mathcal{M})$ .