

Quasisymmetric invariant for families of posets

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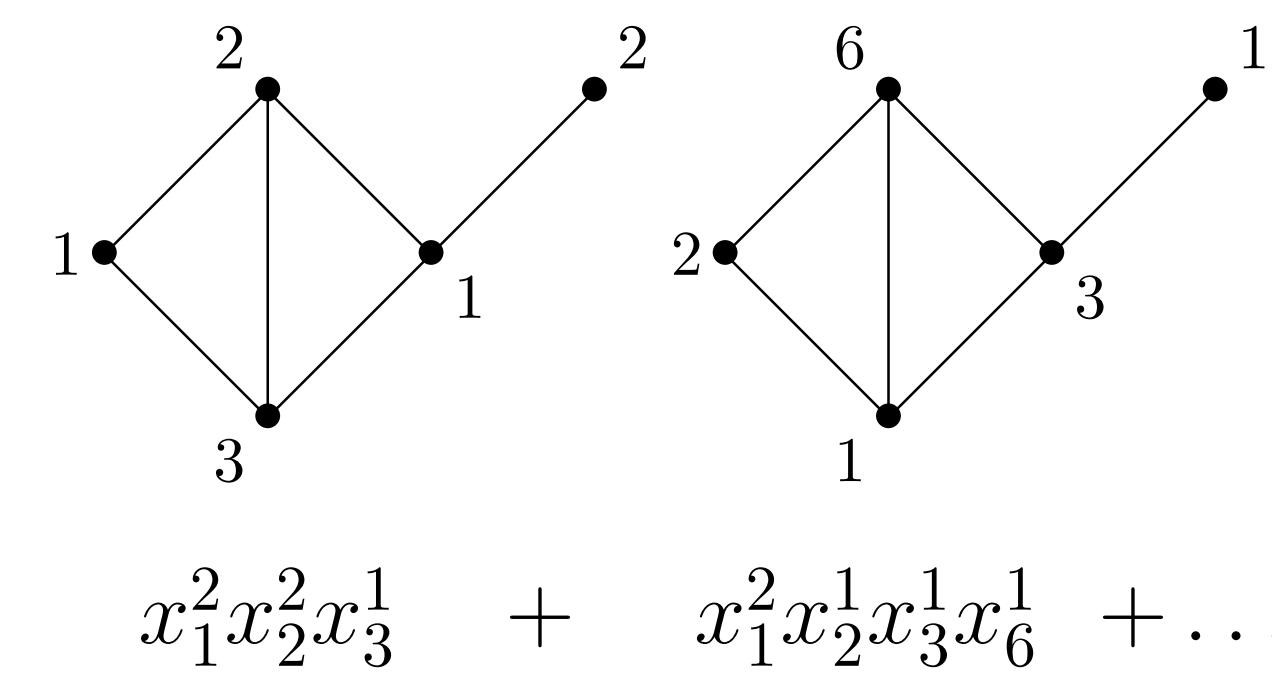
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Many conjectures

Invariant: map $\phi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow H$ s.t. $A \sim B \Rightarrow \phi(A) = \phi(B)$.

Graphs
 $i \xrightarrow{i \neq j} j$

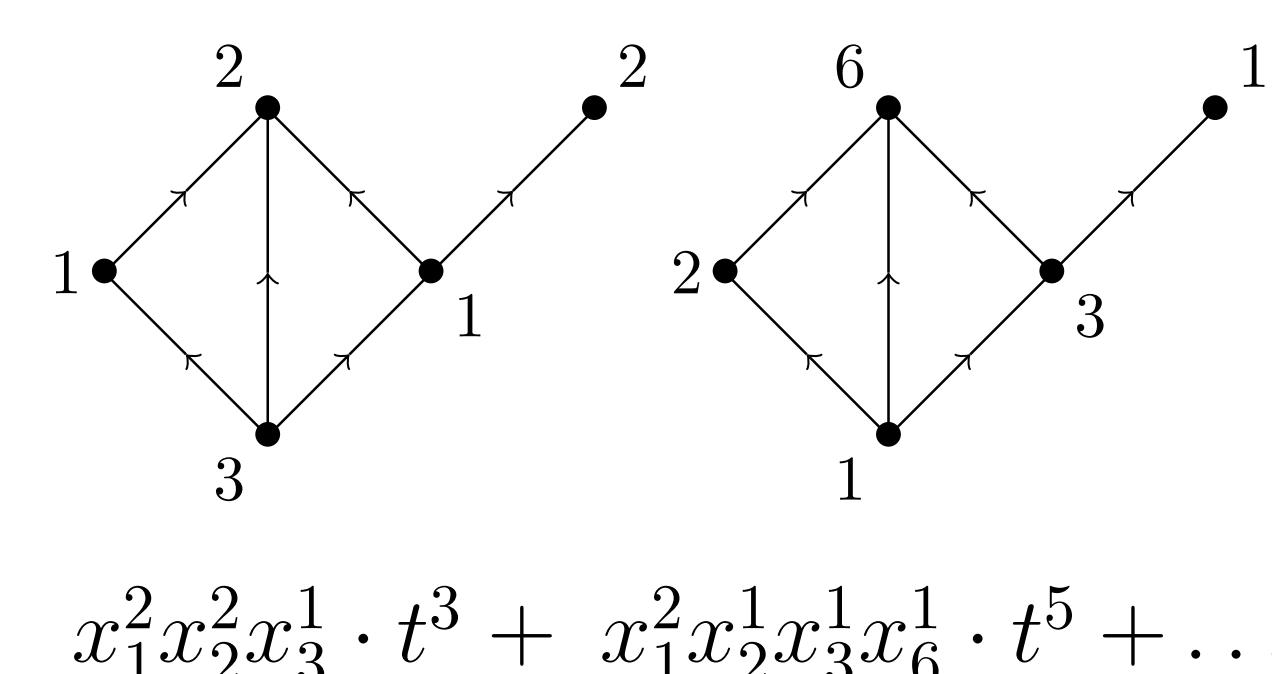
Chromatic symmetric functions
 $X_G \in \text{Sym}$



CONJ. [Sta95]:
 X distinguishes trees

(Acyclic) digraphs
 $i \xrightarrow{i \neq j} j$

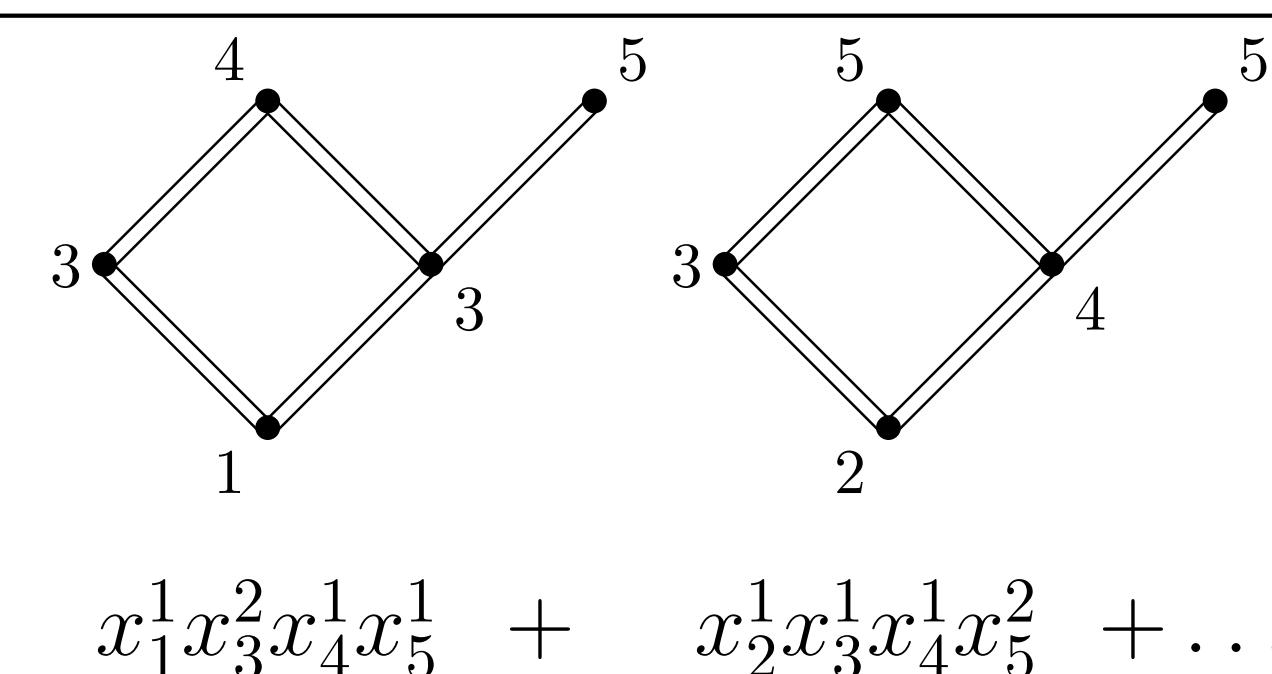
Chromatic quasisymmetric functions
 $\vec{X}_G \in \text{QSym}[t]$
 $(t$ counts ascents)



CONJ. [AS21]:
 \vec{X} distinguishes oriented trees

Posets
 $j \xrightarrow{i < j} i$

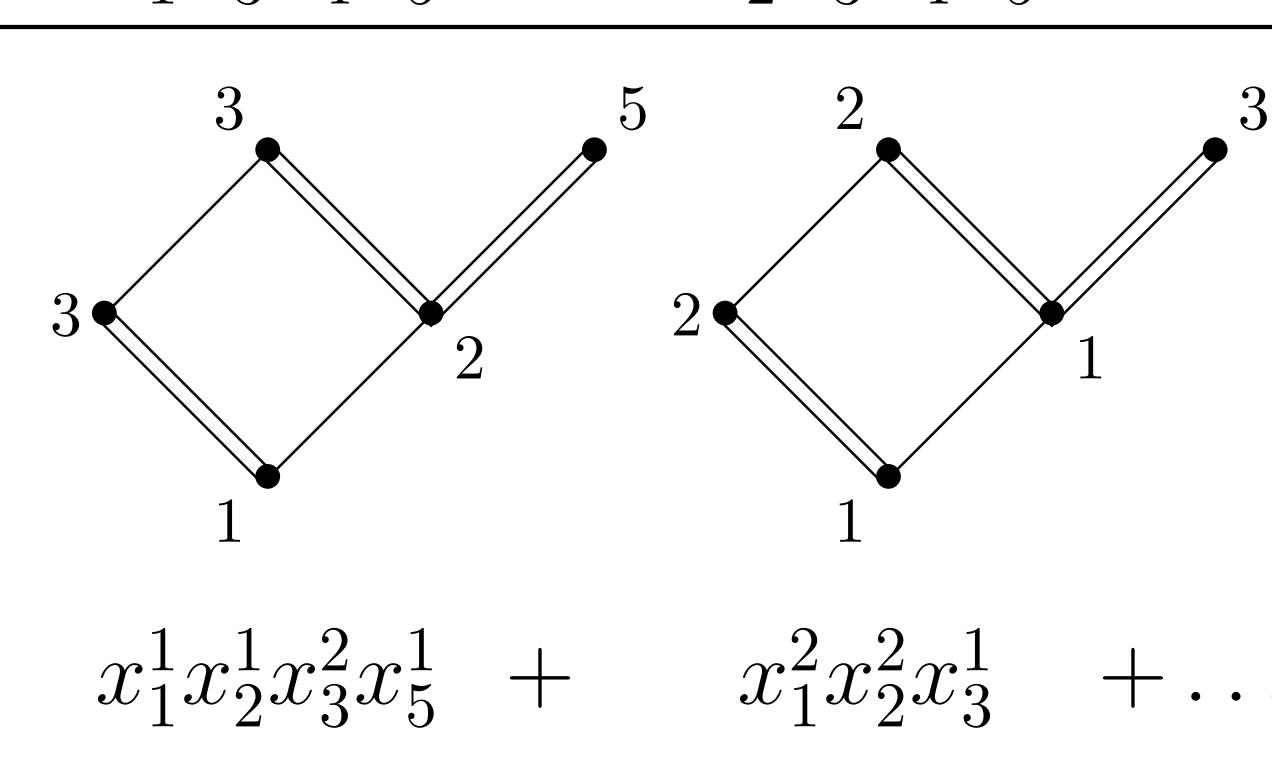
Strict partition enumerator
 $\bar{K}_P \in \text{QSym}$
 $(\text{lead. coeff. of } \vec{X}_G)$



CONJ. [HT17]:
 \bar{K} distinguishes trees

Decorated posets
 $j \xrightarrow{i < j} l \xrightarrow{k \leq l} i$

Partition enumerator
 $K_{P,\omega} \in \text{QSym}$



CONJ. [ADM23+]:
 K distinguishes rooted trees

A hard truth

$$K \cdot \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \end{array} = K \cdot \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \end{array}$$

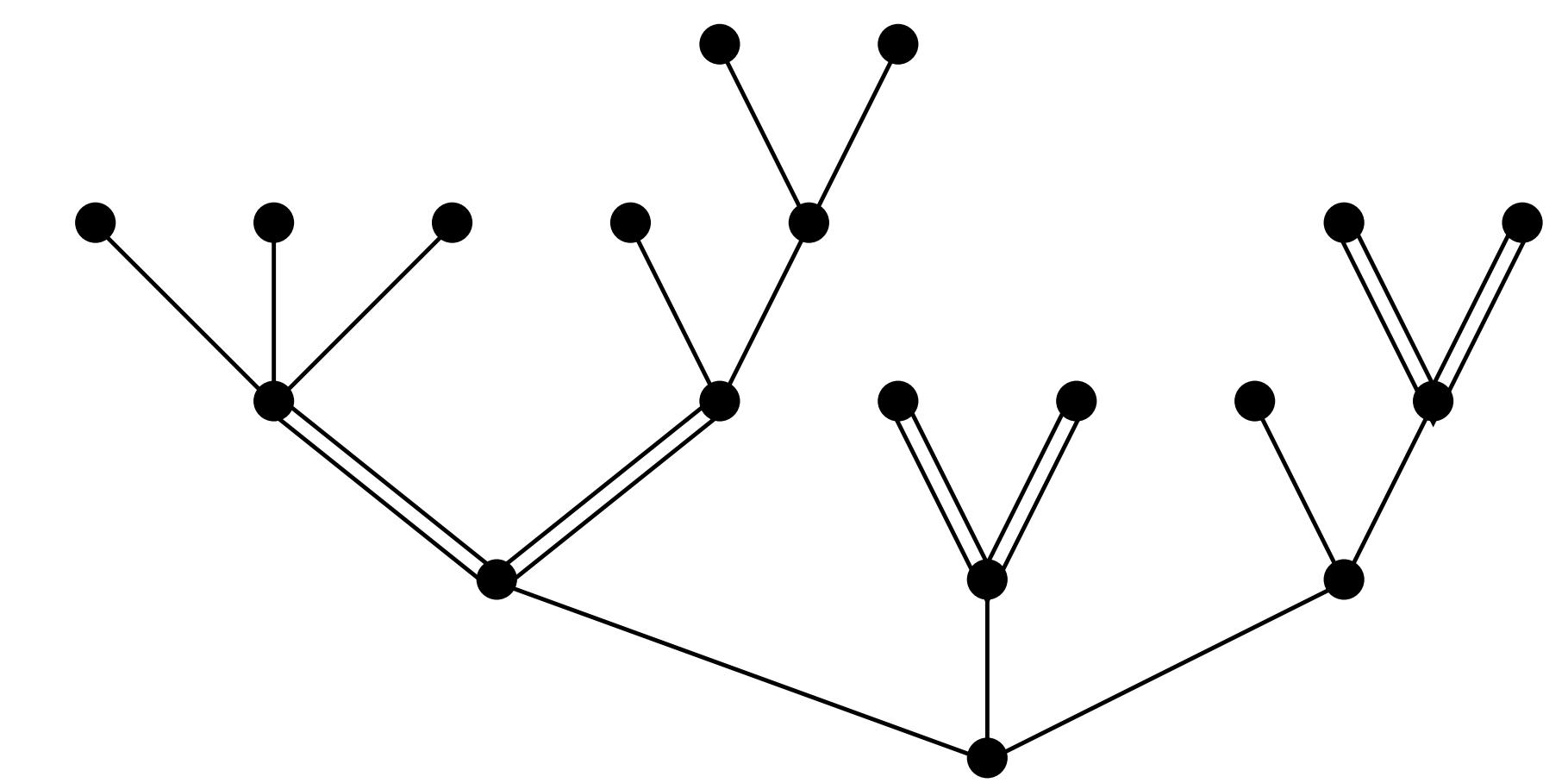
Some results

\bar{K} distinguishes:

- bowtie and N -free posets,
- width 2 posets,
- rooted trees,
- series-parallel posets,
- ...

THM. [ADM23+]:

K distinguishes fair trees: same type of edge with all children.



First result on decorated posets.

Hopf algebras

FQSym := non-commutative Hopf algebra where monomials with same standardization of indices have same coefficient.

Fundamental basis: $\mathbb{F}_{231} = a_2 a_3 a_1 + a_4 a_7 a_2 + a_{32} a_{44} a_{17} + \dots$

$\mathbb{F}_{12} \cdot \mathbb{F}_{2|1} = \mathbb{F}_{124|3} + \mathbb{F}_{14|23} + \mathbb{F}_{4|123} + \mathbb{F}_{14|32} + \mathbb{F}_{4|13|2} + \mathbb{F}_{4|3|12}$

QSym := polynomial Hopf algebra where monomials with same signature have same coefficient.

Monomial basis: $M_{131} = x_1^1 x_2^3 x_3^1 + x_1^2 x_4^3 x_5^1 + x_{12}^1 x_{42}^3 x_{77}^1 + \dots$

Fundamental basis: $F_\alpha = \sum_{\beta \leq \alpha} M_\beta$.

$F_2 \cdot F_{11} = F_{31} + F_{22} + F_{13} + F_{22} + F_{121} + F_{112}$.

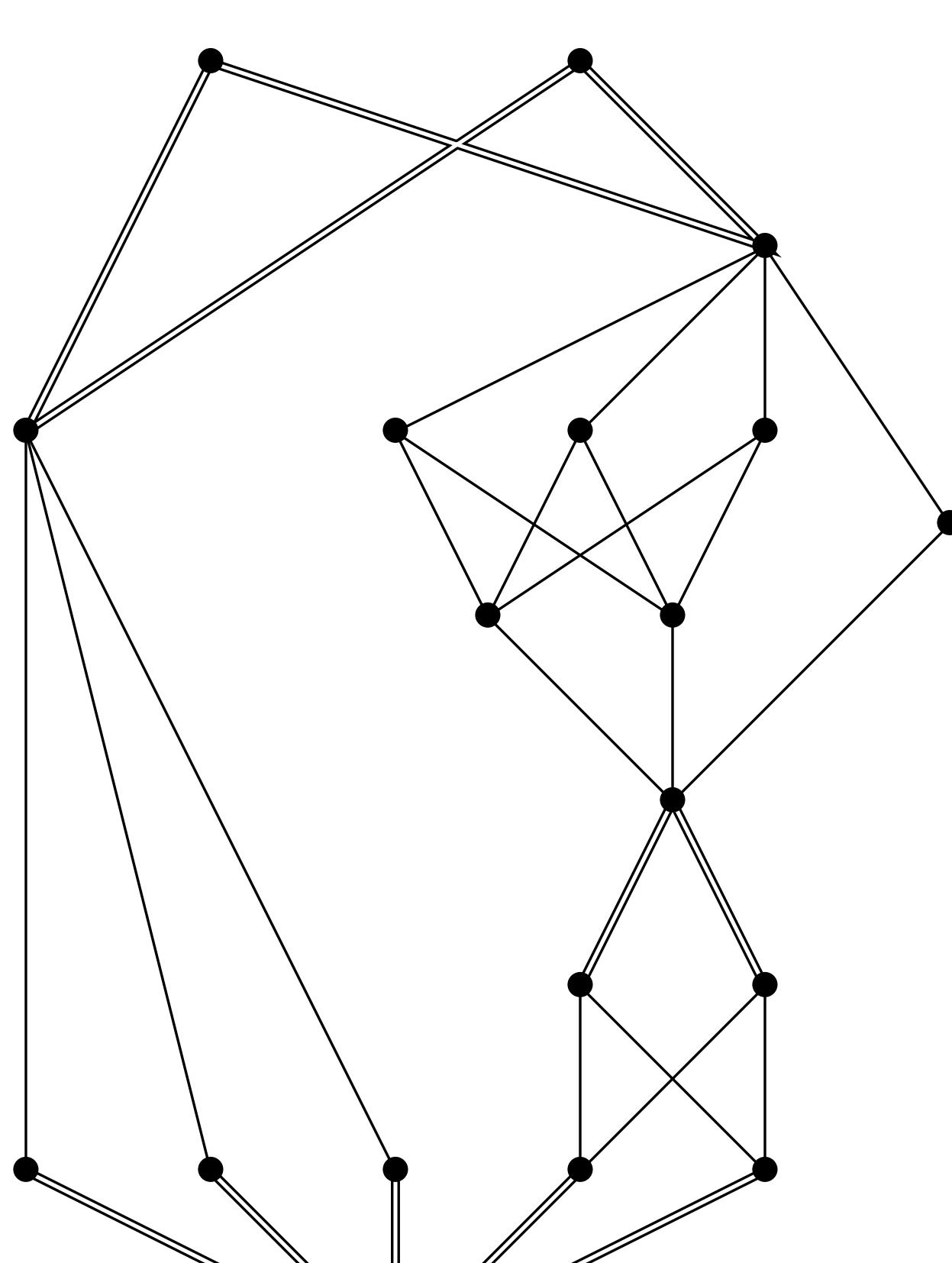
THM. [Sta71]:

Label P with $[n]$ such that labels increase (resp. decrease) along simple (resp. double) edges. Then :

$$K_{P,\omega} = \sum_{\pi \in \text{Lin}(P,\omega)} F_{\text{des}(\pi)}$$

Fair series-parallel posets

DEF: • or \boxed{P} \boxed{Q} or $\boxed{\begin{array}{c} Q \\ \times \times \\ P \end{array}}$ or $\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \times \times \\ Q \\ P \end{array}}$.



PROP. [AAM23+]:
 Partition enumerators of **connected** fair series-parallel posets are **irreducible** in QSym.

THM. [AAM23+]:
 K distinguishes fair series-parallel posets.

Cypress trees

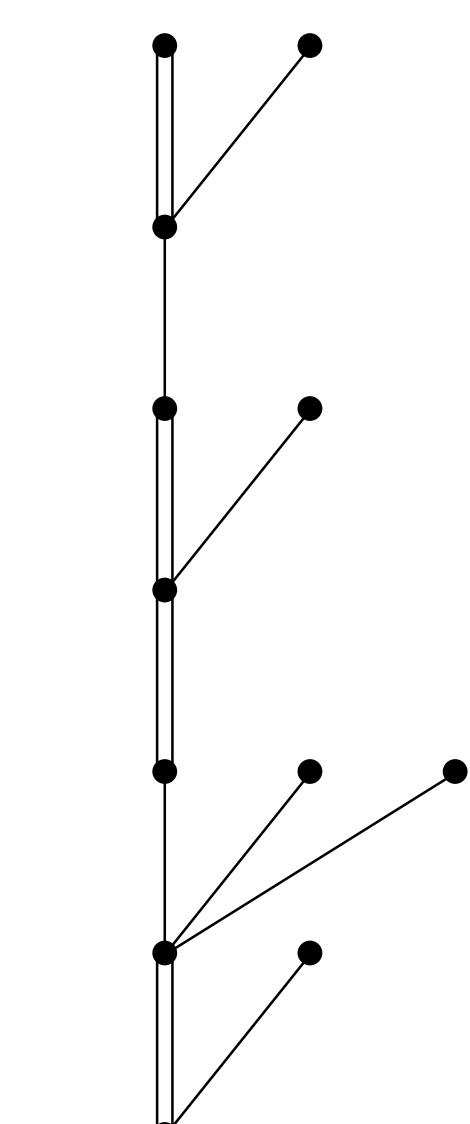
$\text{jump}(x)$ (resp. up-jump) := max number of double edges to get to a minimum (resp. maximum).

PROP. [LW20]:

The partition enumerator determines the joint distribution of the jumps and up-jumps.

THM. [AAM23+]:

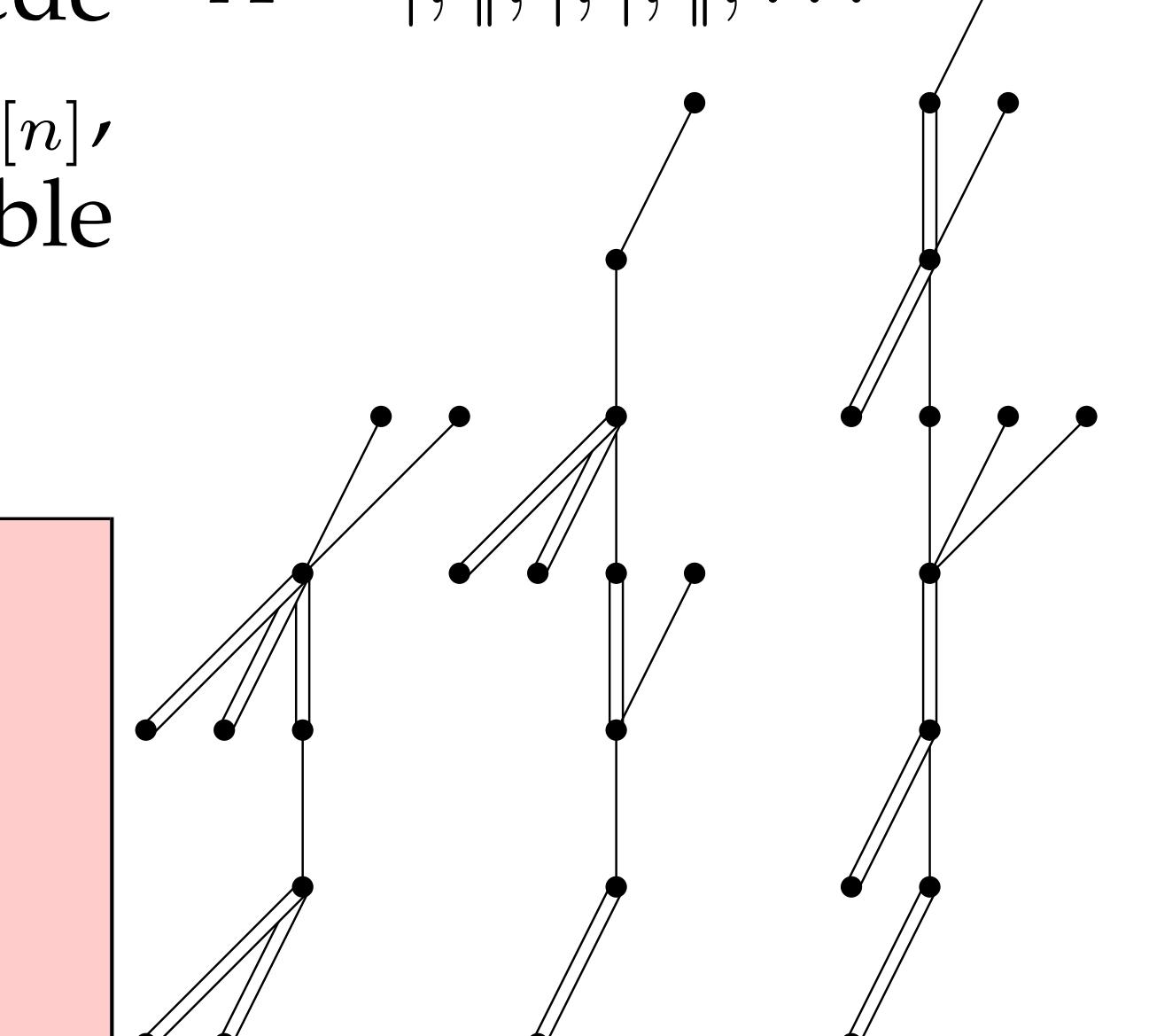
K distinguishes all cypress trees.



Centipedes

DEF: Let $A \in \{|, \|\}^{\mathbb{N}}$. A A -centipede is a caterpillar poset with spine $A_{[n]}$, simple edges going up and double edges going down.

$$A = |, \||, |, |, \||, \dots$$



THM. [AAM23+]:

Fix $A \in \{|, \|\}^{\mathbb{N}}$. K distinguishes all A -centipedes with some constraints at the top and bottom.

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