

# Combinatorial Logarithm and Point-Determining Cographs

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## Abstract

We obtain a reduced form of the “combinatorial logarithm”  $\Omega$  by looking at bijections related to connected point-determining cographs and connected co-point-determining graphs.

## 1 Introduction

The virtual species  $\Omega$ , referred to as the “combinatorial logarithm” by Bergeron, Labelle, and Leroux in [12, p. 131], is one that uniquely satisfies the combinatorial equality  $1 + X = \mathcal{E} \circ \Omega$ , where  $\mathcal{E}$  is the species of sets. The associated series of  $\Omega$  are given on [12, p. 131]. In [7] Labelle gave a formula for computing the molecular expression of  $\Omega$ . Theoretically [12, Proposition 7, p. 122], every virtual species can be written uniquely as the difference between two “real” species  $\Phi = \Phi^+ - \Phi^-$ , called the *reduced form* of  $\Phi$ , where the molecular decompositions of  $\Phi^+$  and  $\Phi^-$  have disjoint terms. To find such two species is generally hard.

In our previous paper [8, (2.8)], we expressed  $\Omega$  as the difference between the species  $\mathcal{Q}^c$  of connected co-point-determining graphs and the species  $\mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c$  of connected point-determining graphs with more than one vertex. Unfortunately, this is not a reduced form for the obvious reason that the non-zero species  $\mathcal{B}^c$  of connected bi-point-determining graphs is a subspecies of both  $\mathcal{Q}^c$  and  $\mathcal{P}^c$ .

The aim of this paper is to further reduce formula [8, (2.8)] by studying the species of point-determining cographs and the connected ones. In Section 2 we review some terminologies in the combinatorial theory of species. Section 3 lists the main results

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of [8] and illustrates the key methods used in [8]. Section 4 discusses point-determining cographs and a further reduced formula (Corollary 10) for expressing the virtual species  $\Omega$  as the difference between two subspecies of cographs.

In the end, a list of notations for species mentioned in this paper is given in Section 5.

## 2 Combinatorial Theory of Species

The combinatorial theory of species was initiated by Joyal in [4]. A *species* is a functor from the category of finite sets with bijections to itself. A species  $F$  generates for each finite set  $U$  the set  $F[U]$  of  $F$ -structures on  $U$ , and for each bijection  $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$  a bijection  $F[\sigma] : F[U] \rightarrow F[V]$ , called the *transport of  $F$ -structures along  $\sigma$* . The symmetric group  $\mathfrak{S}_n$  acts on the set  $F[n] = F[\{1, 2, \dots, n\}]$  by transport of structures. The  $\mathfrak{S}_n$ -orbits under this action are called *unlabeled  $F$ -structures* of order  $n$ . Each species  $F$  is associated with three generating series, the *exponential generating series*  $F(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} |F[n]| x^n / n!$ , the *type generating series*  $\tilde{F}(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n x^n$ , where  $f_n$  is the number of unlabeled  $F$ -structures of order  $n$ , and the *cycle index*

$$Z_F = Z_F(p_1, p_2, \dots) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \left( \sum_{\lambda \vdash n} \text{fix } F[\lambda] \frac{p_\lambda}{z_\lambda} \right),$$

where  $\text{fix } F[\lambda]$  denotes the number of  $F$ -structures on  $[n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  fixed by  $F[\sigma]$  for some  $\sigma$  that is a permutation of  $[n]$  with cycle type  $\lambda$ ,  $z_\lambda$  is the number of permutations in  $\mathfrak{S}_n$  that commute with a permutation of cycle type  $\lambda$ , and  $p_\lambda$  is the *power sum symmetric function* (see Stanley [3, p. 297]) indexed by the partition  $\lambda$  of  $n$ . The following identities [12, p. 18] illustrate the importance of the cycle index in the theory of species.

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= Z_F(x, 0, 0, \dots), \\ \tilde{F}(x) &= Z_F(x, x^2, x^3, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

We apply operations on species [12] to generate new species, and the operations of species translate into operations of the generating series of species systematically. The species operations that are frequently used in this paper are the *sum*  $\Phi + \Psi$ , the *product*  $\Phi\Psi$  or  $\Phi \cdot \Psi$ , and the *composition*  $\Phi(\Psi)$  or  $\Phi \circ \Psi$  of species  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$ .

If  $F$  is a species of structures, we denote by  $F_n$ , for nonnegative integers  $n$ , the species of  $F$ -structures *concentrated on the cardinality  $n$*  (see [12, p. 30]), and by  $F_{\geq n}$  the  $F$ -structures of cardinality at least  $n$ . Hence  $F_{\geq n} = F_n + F_{n+1} + \dots$ . We usually write  $F_{\geq 1}$  as  $F_+$ .

A *virtual species* is a formal difference of species (see [12, p. 121]). Proposition 18 of [12, p. 129] asserts that there exists a unique virtual species which we denote by  $\Omega$ , the virtual species of “connected  $(1 + X)$ -structures” with  $1 + X = \mathcal{E} \circ \Omega$ , or equivalently,  $X = \mathcal{E}_+ \circ \Omega$ . Thus  $\Omega$  is referred to as the “combinatorial logarithm of the species  $1 + X$ ” (see [12, p. 131]), or the compositional inverse of  $\mathcal{E}_+$ , also written  $\mathcal{E}_+^{(-1)}$ . The associated

series of  $\Omega$  are given on [12, p. 131]. Every virtual species  $\Phi$  can be written uniquely in its *reduced form*

$$\Phi = \Phi^+ - \Phi^-,$$

where  $\Phi^+$  and  $\Phi^-$  are species with no molecular components in common [12, Proposition 7, p. 122].

A species  $M$  is called a *molecular species* by Yeh [14] if there is only one isomorphism class of  $M$ -structures. Thus a molecular species is one that is indecomposable under addition. Every species can be expressed uniquely as the sum of molecular species, and this expression is called its *molecular decomposition* (see [12, p. 141]). For example, the molecular decomposition of the virtual species  $\Omega$  starts with

$$\Omega = X - \mathcal{E}_2 + (X\mathcal{E}_2 - \mathcal{E}_3) + (X\mathcal{E}_3 + \mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2 - X^2\mathcal{E}_2 - \mathcal{E}_4) + \cdots.$$

We consider in this paper only simple graphs (without loops or multiple edges). A graph  $G$  is thought of as an ordered pair  $(V, E)$ , where  $V = V(G)$  is the vertex set of  $G$ , and  $E = E(G)$  is the edge set of  $G$ , a set of 2-subsets of  $V$ . Two graphs are called *disjoint* if they have no common vertices. An *unlabeled graph* is formally defined as an isomorphism class of graphs, though we think of an unlabeled graph as simply a graph without vertex labels. A graph with no vertices is called *empty*. The empty graph is not considered as connected. The *empty* species, denoted by  $0$ , is defined by  $0[U] = \emptyset$  for all  $U$ . The species of the empty graph is denoted by  $1$ . The species of the singleton graph is denoted by  $X$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{K}$  the species of *complete graphs*, which are graphs in which each pair of vertices are adjacent. The complement of a complete graph is called an *edgeless graph*. The species of edgeless graphs, which are graphs with isolated vertices, is the same as the species  $\mathcal{E}$  of sets. There is a natural transformation  $\alpha$  that produces for every finite set  $U$  a bijection between  $\mathcal{E}[U]$  and  $\mathcal{K}[U]$ , namely, sending the edgeless graph on  $U$  to the complete graph with vertex set  $U$ . This bijection is carried through the complementation of graphs. The following diagram commutes for any finite sets  $U, V$  and any bijection  $\sigma : U \rightarrow V$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{E}[U] & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}[\sigma]} & \mathcal{E}[V] \\ \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow \alpha \\ \mathcal{K}[U] & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{K}[\sigma]} & \mathcal{K}[V] \end{array}$$

In this case we call these two species *isomorphic* to each other, denoted  $\mathcal{E} \simeq \mathcal{K}$ . The general definition of two species being isomorphic to each other is similar. The concept of isomorphism is compatible with the transition to counting series of species (see [12, pp. 12–20]). Two isomorphic species essentially possess the “same” combinatorial properties. Henceforth they will be considered as *equal* in the combinatorial algebra. Thus we write  $\Phi = \Psi$  in place of  $\Phi \simeq \Psi$ , and say there is a *combinatorial equality* (see [12, p. 21]) between the species  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$ .

### 3 Enumeration of Bi-Point-Determining Graphs

The *neighborhood* of a vertex  $v$  is the set of all vertices adjacent to  $v$ . A *point-determining graph* (Sumner [13], Bull and Pease [1], also called a *mating-type graph*, *mating graph*, or *M-graph*) is a graph in which no two vertices have the same neighborhood. Point-determining graphs (both labeled and unlabeled) were counted by Read [9]. Complements of point-determining graphs, which we call co-point-determining graphs (they have also been called “point-distinguishing”), are graphs in which no two vertices have the same closed neighborhood. (The closed neighborhood of a vertex is the vertex together with its neighborhood.) Bi-point-determining graphs (also called “totally point-determining” or “totally supercompact”) are both point-determining and co-point-determining.

The notion of superimposition as introduced in [8, Definition 1.2] serves as a bridge bringing together the composition of species and the decomposition of graphs. Let  $H_1, \dots, H_m$  be graphs with disjoint vertex sets, and let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $\{V(H_1), \dots, V(H_m)\}$ . We define the *superimposition*  $G|_{H_1, \dots, H_m}$  of  $G$  on  $\{H_1, \dots, H_m\}$  to be the graph with vertex set  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m V(H_i)$  in which  $\{u, v\}$  is an edge if it is an edge of some  $H_i$  or if  $u \in V(H_i)$  and  $v \in V(H_j)$  for some  $i \neq j$ , and  $\{V(H_i), V(H_j)\} \in E(G)$ .

Figure 1 illustrates the superimposition of a graph  $G$  on a set of graphs  $\{H_1, H_2, H_3\}$ .

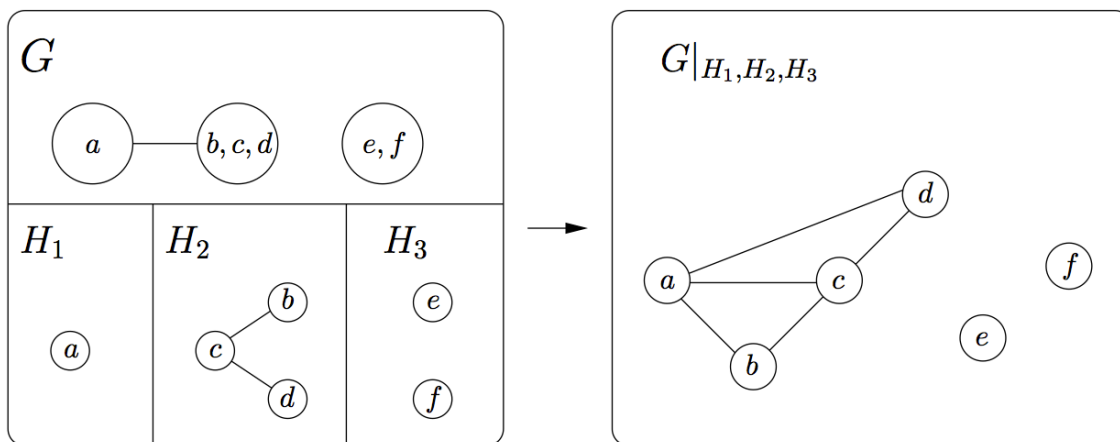


Figure 1: The superimposition  $G|_{H_1, H_2, H_3}$ .

Let  $n$  be any positive integer. The *edgeless graph* of order  $n$  is a graph with  $n$  isolated vertices, denoted  $E_n$ . The *complete graph* of order  $n$  is a graph with  $n$  vertices each pair of which is adjacent to each other, denoted  $K_n$ . Let  $\{G_1, \dots, G_n\}$  be a set of nonempty pairwise disjoint graphs. The *union* of  $\{G_1, \dots, G_n\}$  is set to be the superimposition  $E_n|_{G_1, \dots, G_n}$ , and the *join* of  $\{G_1, \dots, G_n\}$  is set to be the superimposition  $K_n|_{G_1, \dots, G_n}$ , where the vertex set of  $E_n$  and  $K_n$  is  $\{V(G_1), \dots, V(G_n)\}$ .

The operation of superimposition of species of graphs is closely related to composition

of species. Let  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  be two species of graphs; i.e., for every finite set  $U$ ,  $\Phi[U]$  and  $\Psi[U]$  are sets of graphs with vertex set  $U$ . The *species of superimposition*  $\Phi \diamond \Psi$  is such that  $(\Phi \diamond \Psi)[U]$  is the set of all superimpositions  $G|_{H_1, \dots, H_m}$  in which  $H_1, \dots, H_m$  are  $\Psi$ -graphs with  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m V(H_i) = U$  and  $G$  is a  $\Phi$ -graph with vertex set  $\{V(H_1), \dots, V(H_m)\}$ .

**Lemma 1.** ([8, Lemma 1.4]) *Let  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  be species of graphs such that every  $\Phi \diamond \Psi$ -graph can be expressed uniquely as a superimposition of a  $\Phi$ -graph on a set of  $\Psi$ -graphs. Then  $\Phi \circ \Psi$  is isomorphic to  $\Phi \diamond \Psi$ .*  $\square$

We use the combinatorial theory of species [4, 5, 12] as our framework to enumerate point-determining graphs, connected point-determining graphs, and bi-point-determining graphs [8]. The generating series of the species  $\mathcal{G}$  of graphs is known (see [12, p. 79] and Robinson [10, p. 334, Theorem 2]). The following theorem gives a way to enumerate point-determining graphs.

**Theorem 2.** ([8, Theorem 2.2]) *For the species  $\mathcal{G}$  of graphs, the species  $\mathcal{P}$  of point-determining graphs, the species  $\mathcal{E}_+$  of nonempty edgeless graphs, the species  $\mathcal{Q}$  of co-point-determining graphs, and the species  $\mathcal{K}_+$  of nonempty complete graphs, we have*

$$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{P} \circ \mathcal{E}_+ = \mathcal{Q} \circ \mathcal{K}_+. \quad (1)$$

The connected point-determining graphs and the connected co-point-determining graphs can be enumerated using the following Theorem.

**Theorem 3.** ([8, Theorem 2.3]) *For the species  $\mathcal{P}$  of point-determining graphs,  $\mathcal{Q}$  of co-point-determining graphs,  $\mathcal{P}^c$  of connected point-determining graphs, and  $\mathcal{Q}^c$  of connected co-point-determining graphs, we have*

$$\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{Q} = (1 + X) \cdot (\mathcal{E} \circ \mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c) = \mathcal{E} \circ \mathcal{Q}^c. \quad (2)$$

A consequence of Theorem 3 is

$$(1 + X) \cdot (\mathcal{E} \circ \mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c) = \mathcal{E} \circ (\Omega + \mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c) = \mathcal{E} \circ \mathcal{Q}^c.$$

So [8, Lemma 2.4] gives the following.

**Theorem 4.** ([8, Equation (2.8)]) *We express the virtual species  $\Omega$  as the difference between the species  $\mathcal{Q}^c$  of connected co-point-determining graphs and the species  $\mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c$  of connected point-determining graphs with at least two vertices.*

$$\Omega = \mathcal{Q}^c - \mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c. \quad (3)$$

Note that  $\mathcal{Q}^c - \mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c$  is not the reduced form of  $\Omega$ , since  $\mathcal{Q}^c$  share the same molecular components as  $\mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c$ . Now for any finite set  $U$ , the intersection  $\mathcal{P}^c[U] \cap \mathcal{Q}^c[U]$  is the set of connected bi-point-determining graphs on  $U$ , denoted  $\mathcal{B}^c[U]$ . In other words, the species  $\mathcal{B}_{\geq 2}^c$  is a *subspecies* (see [12, p. 120]) of both  $\mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c$  and  $\mathcal{Q}^c$ . So (3) can be refined into

$$\Omega = (\mathcal{Q}^c - \mathcal{B}_{\geq 2}^c) - (\mathcal{P}_{\geq 2}^c - \mathcal{B}_{\geq 2}^c). \quad (4)$$

However, further examination shows that (4) is still not the reduced form of  $\Omega$ .

A *cograph*, also called a *complement-reducible graph* is defined recursively as follows [2]:

1. A graph on a single vertex is a cograph.
2. For a set of cographs  $\{G_1, \dots, G_n\}$ , their union  $E_n|_{G_1, \dots, G_n}$  is also a cograph.
3. If  $G$  is a cograph, then so is its complement.

The species  $\mathcal{C}$  of cographs was enumerated by [8, Lemma 4.2]. The following are unlabeled cographs with no more than four vertices.

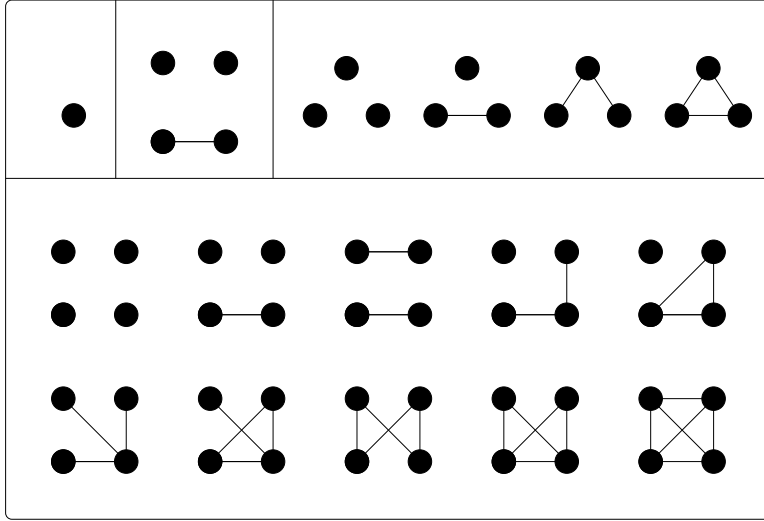


Figure 2: Unlabeled Cographs

The following theorem is the main result of [8].

**Theorem 5.** (*[8, Theorem 4.4]*) *The species  $\mathcal{G}$  of graphs is the composition of the species  $\mathcal{B}$  of bi-point-determining graphs and  $\mathcal{C}$  of cographs. That is,*

$$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{B} \circ \mathcal{C}.$$

Theorem 5 states that every graph can be expressed uniquely as a superimposition of a bi-point-determining graph on a set of cographs. More explicitly, the proof of Theorem 5 gives, for any finite set  $U$ , a bijection

$$\alpha_U : \mathcal{G}[U] \longrightarrow (\mathcal{B} \diamond \mathcal{C})[U], \quad (5)$$

between the set  $\mathcal{G}[U]$  of all graphs on  $U$  and the set of all superimpositions  $G|_{H_1, \dots, H_m}$  such that

1. Each  $H_i$  is a cograph.
2. The graph  $G$  is bi-point-determining.
3. The union of the vertex sets  $V(H_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  is equal to the set  $U$ .

## 4 Connected Point-Determining Cographs

Now we consider point-determining cographs and co-point-determining cographs. In the literature, the connected point-determining cographs have been enumerated by Moon in [6], where he called them “ $\sigma$ -networks” or “series-networks”, which are series-parallel networks with one or more cut-nodes [11, A058385].

**Lemma 6.** *The species  $\mathcal{S}$  of point-determining cographs,  $\mathcal{S}^c$  of connected point-determining cographs,  $\mathcal{T}$  of co-point-determining cographs, and  $\mathcal{T}^c$  of connected co-point-determining cographs are related by*

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{T}, \quad (6)$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}^c + \mathcal{T}^c - X,$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{E}_+ \circ (\mathcal{S}^c - X) + X, \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{E}_+ \circ \mathcal{T}^c, \quad (8)$$

*Proof.* Since a graph is a cograph if and only if its complement is a cograph, the complement of a point-determining cograph is a co-point-determining cograph, and vice versa. The combinatorial equality  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{T}$  follows straightforwardly.

On the other hand,  $\mathcal{S} - (\mathcal{S}^c - X)$  is the species of the point-determining graphs that are disconnected, whose complements are connected co-point-determining graphs. Therefore,  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}^c - X + \mathcal{T}^c$ .

The proofs of (7) and (8) are similar to that of Theorem 3 in [8].  $\square$

**Lemma 7.** *The species  $\mathcal{S}^c$  of connected point-determining cographs and  $\mathcal{T}^c$  of connected co-point-determining cographs are related by*

$$\mathcal{S}^c = X + \mathcal{E}_{\geq 2} \circ \mathcal{T}^c, \quad (9)$$

$$\mathcal{T}^c = X \cdot (\mathcal{E} \circ (\mathcal{S}^c - X)) + \mathcal{E}_{\geq 2}(\mathcal{S}^c - X). \quad (10)$$

*Proof.* Let  $G$  be a connected point-determining cograph. Then  $G$  is either a graph with one vertex or that the complement of  $G$  is the union of a set of at least two connected co-point-determining cographs. Equation (9) follows.

Suppose  $H$  is a connected co-point-determining cograph. Then the connected components of the complement of  $H$  consists of at most one connected component with one vertex, and the rest have to be connected point-determining graphs with more than one vertex. Equation (10) follows.  $\square$

It follows from (9) and (10) that the species  $\mathcal{T}^c$  satisfies the following species equation

$$\mathcal{T}^c = X \cdot [\mathcal{E} \circ (\mathcal{E}_{\geq 2} \circ \mathcal{T}^c)] + \mathcal{E}_{\geq 2}(\mathcal{E}_{\geq 2} \circ \mathcal{T}^c), \quad (11)$$

which allows us to find the generating series of  $\mathcal{T}^c$  recursively. Figure 3 shows connected co-point-determining graphs with no more than five vertices.

Next, we will see that the uniqueness of expressing any graph as the superimposition of a bi-point-determining graph on a set of cographs provided by Theorem 5 in [8] gives a way

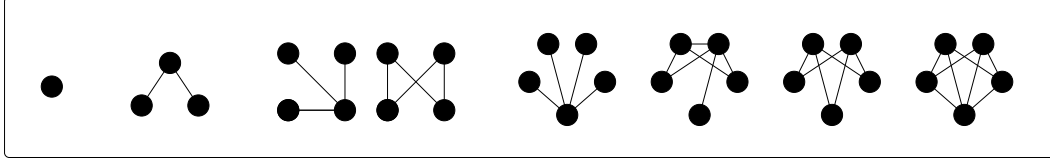


Figure 3: Connected Co-Point-Determining Cographs

to finding new functional equations for connected point-determining graphs and connected co-pointdetermining graphs. We begin with the following Lemma that is straightforward to show.

**Lemma 8.** *The superimposition  $G|_{H_1, H_2, \dots, H_m}$  is connected if and only if either  $G$  is connected with at least two vertices or  $G$  is a single vertex and  $H$  is connected.*

**Theorem 9.** *For the species  $\mathcal{P}^c - \mathcal{S}^c$  of connected point-determining graphs that are not cographs and  $\mathcal{Q}^c - \mathcal{T}^c$  of connected co-point-determining graphs that are not cographs, we have the following combinatorial equality*

$$\mathcal{P}^c - \mathcal{S}^c = \mathcal{Q}^c - \mathcal{T}^c. \quad (12)$$

*Proof.* Let  $U$  be any finite nonempty set, and let

$$\alpha_U : \mathcal{G}[U] \longrightarrow \mathcal{B} \diamond \mathcal{C}[U]$$

be the bijection in (5) that sends each graph  $K$  on  $U$  uniquely to a superimposition of a bi-point-determining graph  $G$  on a set of cographs  $H_1, \dots, H_m$  with  $\cup_{i=1}^m V(H_i) = U$ .

Note that because  $G$  is bi-point-determining, for any pair  $i \neq j \in [m]$ , and any vertex  $v \in H_i$  and  $w \in H_j$ ,  $v$  and  $w$  can neither have the same neighborhood nor have the same closed neighborhood. Therefore,  $K$  is point-determining if and only if each of the  $H_i$  is point-determining, and that  $K$  is co-point-determining if and only if each of the  $H_i$  is co-point-determining.

Obviously, a graph  $K$  on  $U$  is a cograph if and only if  $\alpha_U(K)$  is the superimposition of the form  $G|_{H_1}$  where  $G$  is the trivial graph and  $H_1 = K$ . In other words,  $\alpha_U(\mathcal{C}[U])$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{C}[U]$ .

Suppose  $K$  is a connected point-determining graph on  $U$  that is not a cograph. Then Lemma 8 gives that  $\alpha_U(K)$  is of the form  $G|_{H_1, \dots, H_m}$  where  $G$  is a connected bi-point-determining graph with at least two vertices and each of  $H_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ , is a point-determining cograph. Therefore,

$$\alpha_U((\mathcal{P}^c - \mathcal{S}^c)[U]) = \mathcal{B}_{\geq 2}^c \diamond \mathcal{S}[U].$$

By a similar argument, we have

$$\alpha_U((\mathcal{Q}^c - \mathcal{T}^c)[U]) = \mathcal{B}_{\geq 2}^c \diamond \mathcal{T}[U].$$

On the other hand, Equation (6) gives that there exists a bijection

$$\beta_U : \mathcal{B}^c \diamond \mathcal{S}[U] \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}^c \diamond \mathcal{T}[U]$$

that is sending each superimposition  $G|_{H_1, \dots, H_m}$  in which each  $H_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ , is a point-determining cograph to the superimposition  $G|_{H'_1, \dots, H'_m}$  where each  $H'_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ , is the complement of  $H_i$ .

Thus, for each nonempty finite set  $U$ , we obtain the bijection

$$\tau_U = \alpha_U^{-1} \circ \beta_U \circ \alpha_U : \mathcal{P}^c[U] - \mathcal{S}^c[U] \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}^c[U] - \mathcal{T}^c[U],$$

that is sending each connected point-determining graph that is not a cograph uniquely to a connected co-point-determining graph that is not a cograph.  $\square$

As a consequence of Theorem 4, we obtain a “refined” expression for the virtual species  $\Omega$  as the difference of two species.

**Corollary 10.** *The virtual species, so called “combinatorial logarithm”  $\Omega$  can be expressed as the difference of the species  $\mathcal{T}^c$  of connected co-point-determining cographs and the species  $\mathcal{S}_{\geq 2}^c$  of connected point-determining cographs with at least two vertices. That is,*

$$\Omega = \mathcal{T}^c - \mathcal{S}_{\geq 2}^c = X + \mathcal{T}^c - \mathcal{S}^c. \quad (13)$$

The following Proposition shows that for any finite set  $U$  with  $\#U > 1$ , the intersection of the sets  $\mathcal{T}^c[U]$  and  $\mathcal{S}^c[U]$  is empty. In other words, there exists no bi-point-determining cographs with more than one vertex.

**Proposition 11.** *The species of bi-point-determining cographs is isomorphic to  $X$ .*

*Proof.* First of all, the trivial graph is a bi-point-determining cograph. In fact, we will show that there is no bi-point-determining graph with more than one vertex.

Suppose the contrary. We pick  $G$  be to one such with the least possible number of vertices. We notice that  $G$  cannot be a disjoint union of isolated vertices or a complete graph, since such a cograph is not bi-point-determining. Therefore  $G$  must be a disjoint union, or the complement of the disjoint union, of bi-point-determining cographs, at least one of which, say,  $H$ , has at least two vertices. This contradicts the assumption.  $\square$

There are still common terms in the molecular expressions of  $\mathcal{T}^c$  and  $\mathcal{S}^c$ , although these common terms are not bi-point-determining cographs. If we could identify all these common terms, a precise molecular expression of  $\Omega$  would be obtained after cancellation. For example, in the following molecular decomposition of  $\Omega$  recursively obtained from identities (9) and (10),

$n$	$\mathcal{T}_n^c$	$\mathcal{S}_n^c$	$\Omega_n = X + \mathcal{T}_n^c - \mathcal{S}^c$
1	$X$	$X$	$X$
2	0	$\mathcal{E}_2$	$-\mathcal{E}_2$
3	$X\mathcal{E}_2$	$\mathcal{E}_3$	$X\mathcal{E}_2 - \mathcal{E}_3$
4	$X\mathcal{E}_3 + \mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2$	$X^2\mathcal{E}_2 + \mathcal{E}_4$	$X\mathcal{E}_3 + \mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2 - X^2\mathcal{E}_2 - \mathcal{E}_4$
5	$X\mathcal{E}_4 + X^3\mathcal{E}_2$ $+X\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2 + \mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_3$	$X^2\mathcal{E}_3 + X\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2$ $+X\mathcal{E}_2^2 + \mathcal{E}_5$	$X\mathcal{E}_4 + X^3\mathcal{E}_2 + \mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_3$ $-X^2\mathcal{E}_3 - X\mathcal{E}_2^2 - \mathcal{E}_5$
6	$X^3\mathcal{E}_3 + X^2\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2$ $+2X^2\mathcal{E}_2^2 + X\mathcal{E}_5$ $+X\mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_3 + \mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_4$ $+ \mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_3 + \mathcal{E}_3 \circ \mathcal{E}_2$	$X^4\mathcal{E}_2 + X^2\mathcal{E}_4$ $+X^2\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2 + 3X\mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_3$ $+ \mathcal{E}_2 \circ (X\mathcal{E}_2)$ $+ \mathcal{E}_2(\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2) + \mathcal{E}_6$	$X^3\mathcal{E}_3 + 2X^2\mathcal{E}_2^2 + X\mathcal{E}_5 + \mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_4$ $+ \mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_3 + \mathcal{E}_3 \circ \mathcal{E}_2$ $-X^4\mathcal{E}_2 - X^2\mathcal{E}_4 - 2X\mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_3$ $- \mathcal{E}_2 \circ (X\mathcal{E}_2) - \mathcal{E}_2(\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2) - \mathcal{E}_6$

we notice that in the orders from  $n = 1$  through  $n = 4$ , there is no repeated terms in  $\mathcal{T}_n^c$  and  $\mathcal{S}_n^c$ . When  $n = 5$ , there is one, namely,  $X\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2$ . When  $n = 6$ , there are two repeated terms  $X\mathcal{E}_2\mathcal{E}_3$  and  $X^2\mathcal{E}_2 \circ \mathcal{E}_2$ . When  $n = 7$ , there are 11 repeated terms in  $\mathcal{T}_7^c$  and  $\mathcal{S}_7^c$ , and the situation becomes complicated.

It is desirable to obtain a combinatorial interpretation of further reduced form of the combinatorial logarithm  $\Omega$ .

## 5 List of Species

$\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{C}^c)$	species of (connected) cographs.
$\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{B}^c)$	species of (connected) bi-point-determining graphs.
$\mathcal{E}$	species of edgeless graphs.
$\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{G}^c)$	species of (connected) simple graphs.
$\mathcal{H}$	species of phylogenetic trees.
$\mathcal{K}$	species of complete graphs.
$\Omega = (1 + X)^c$	the combinatorial logarithm.
$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}^c)$	species of (connected) point-determining graphs.
$\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{Q}^c)$	species of (connected) co-point-determining graphs.
$\mathcal{R}$	species of special pure 2-trees.
$\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{S}^c)$	species of (connected) point-determining cographs.
$\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{T}^c)$	species of (connected) co-point-determining cographs.

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