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# Concentration of large random Gram matrices (ongoing work)

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- Theorem
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# Numerical studies

Simulate an  $n \times m$ -random matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  with i.i.d. entries  $X_{ij} \sim \text{Ber}(p) - p$ . Then

- $|X_{ij}| \leq 1$
- $\mathbb{E}X_{ij} = 0$
- $\mathbb{E}X_{ij}^2 = \sigma^2 = p(1 - p)$

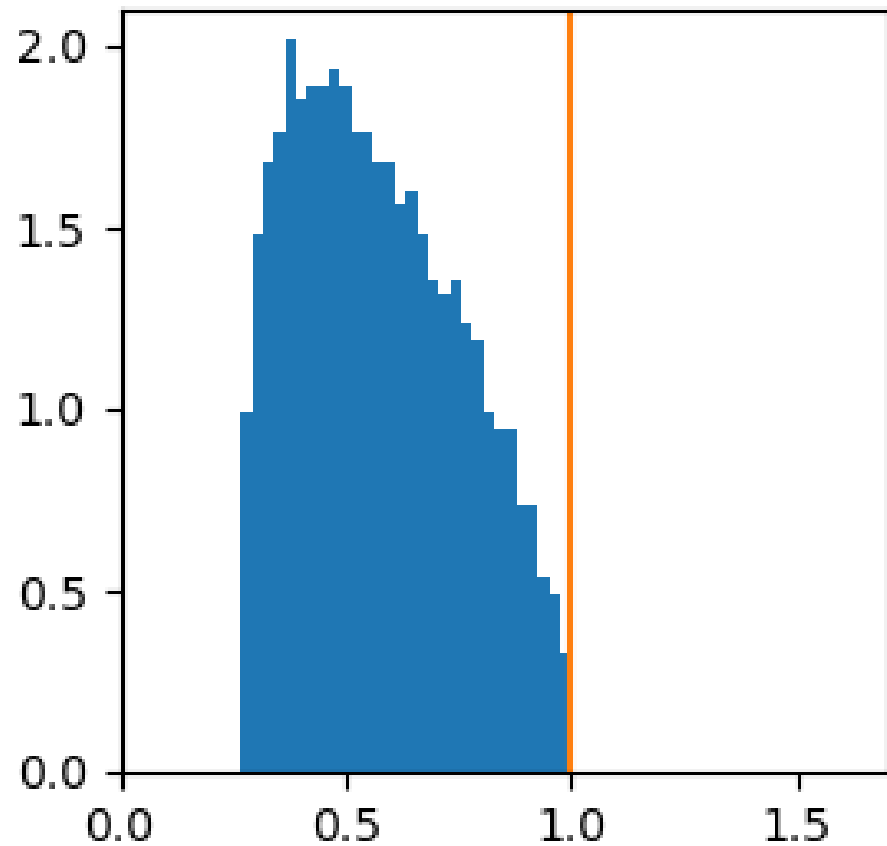
Compare the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top$  and  $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top \odot \mathbf{M}$ , where  $\mathbf{M}$  removes the diagonal ( $M_{ij} = 1$  if  $i \neq j$  and  $M_{ii} = 0$ )

In the following,  $n = 1000$  and  $m = 10\,000$

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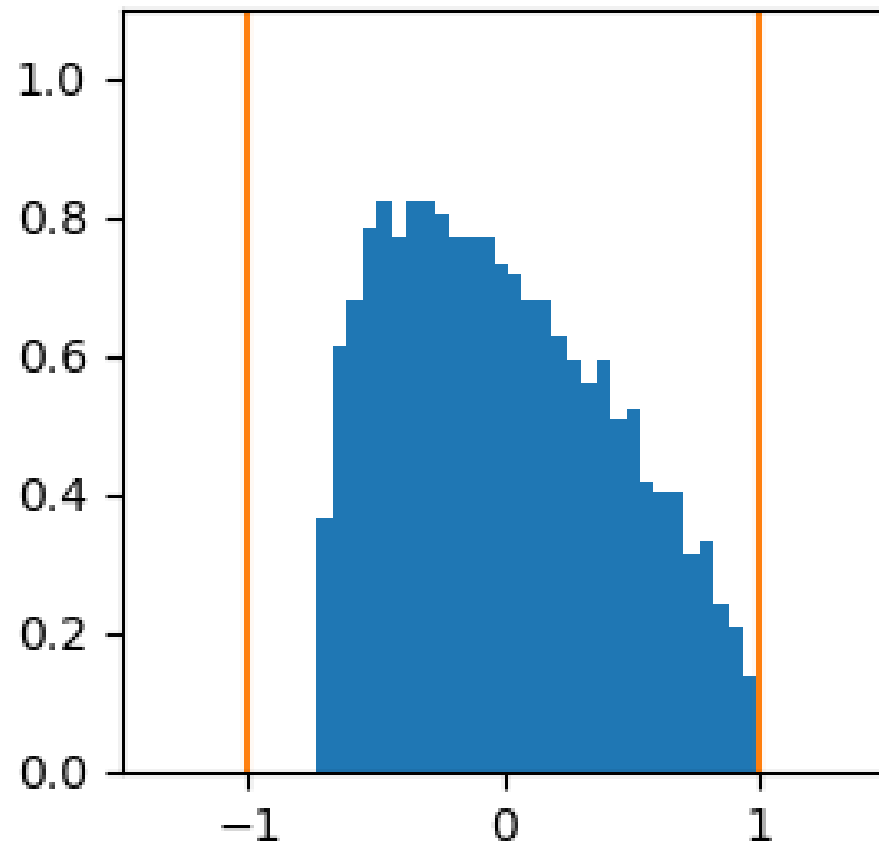
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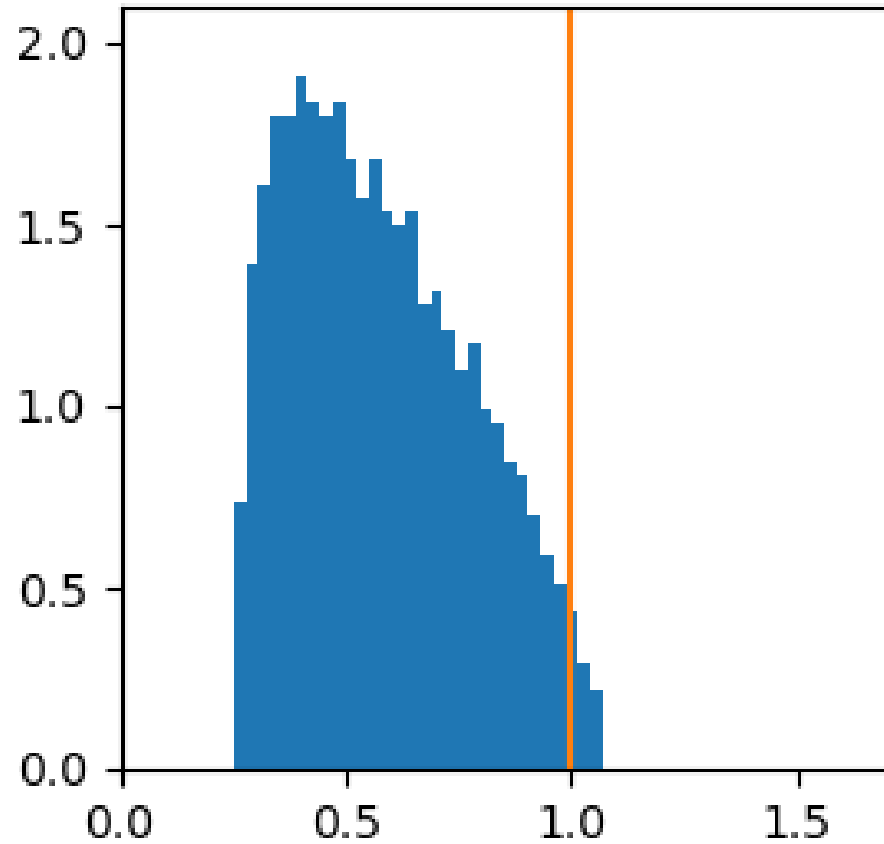


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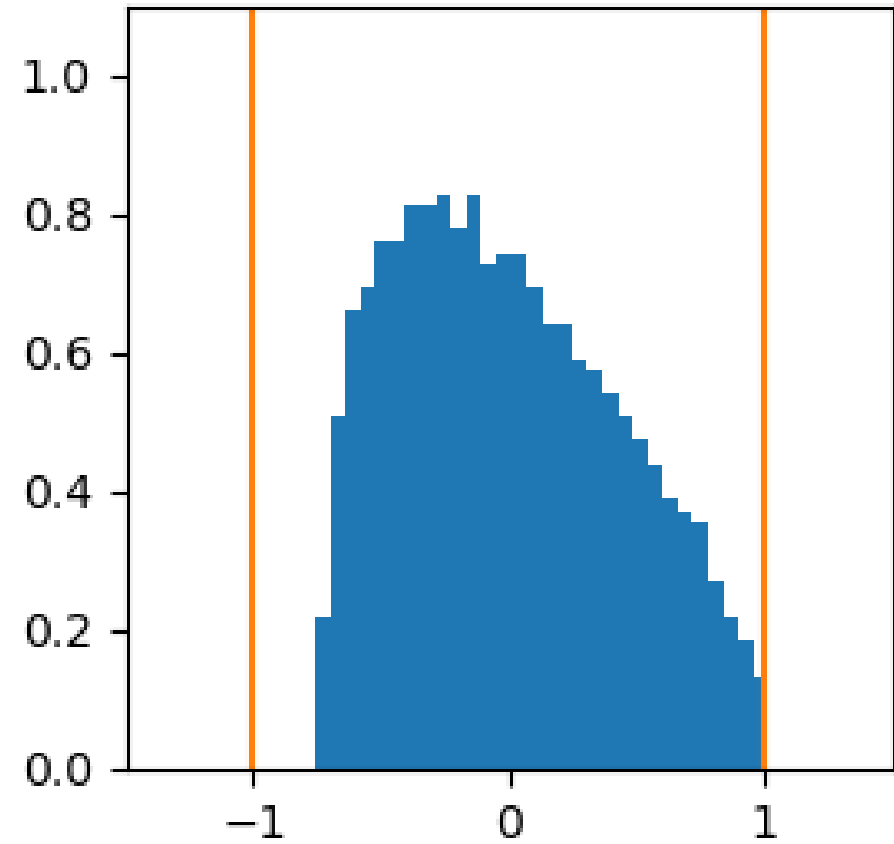
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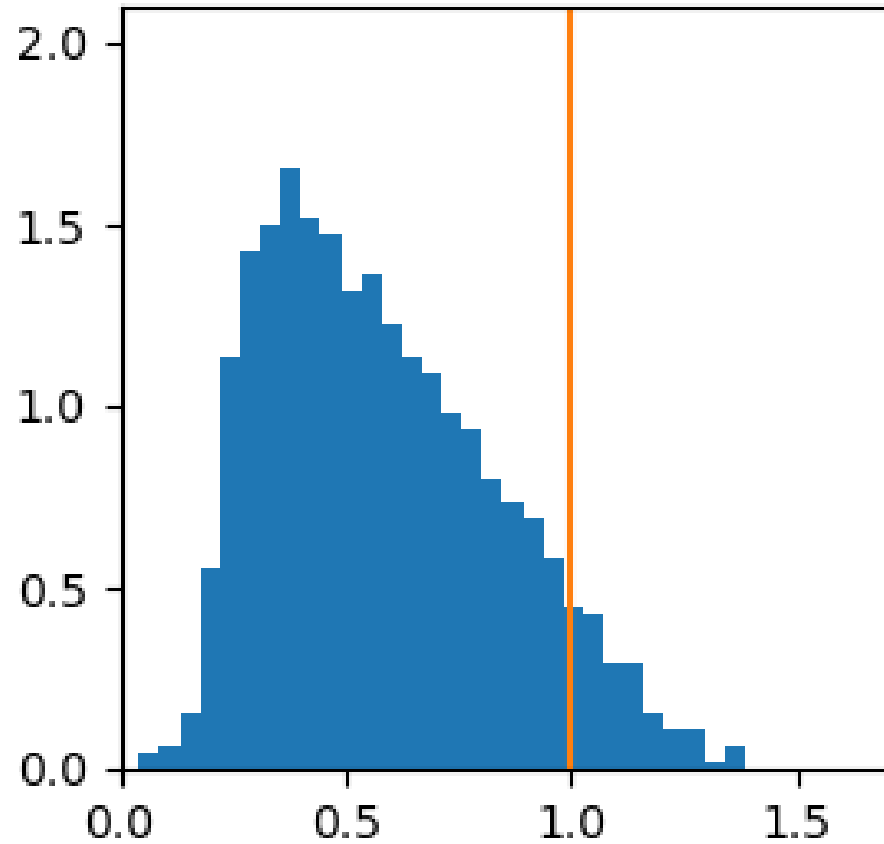


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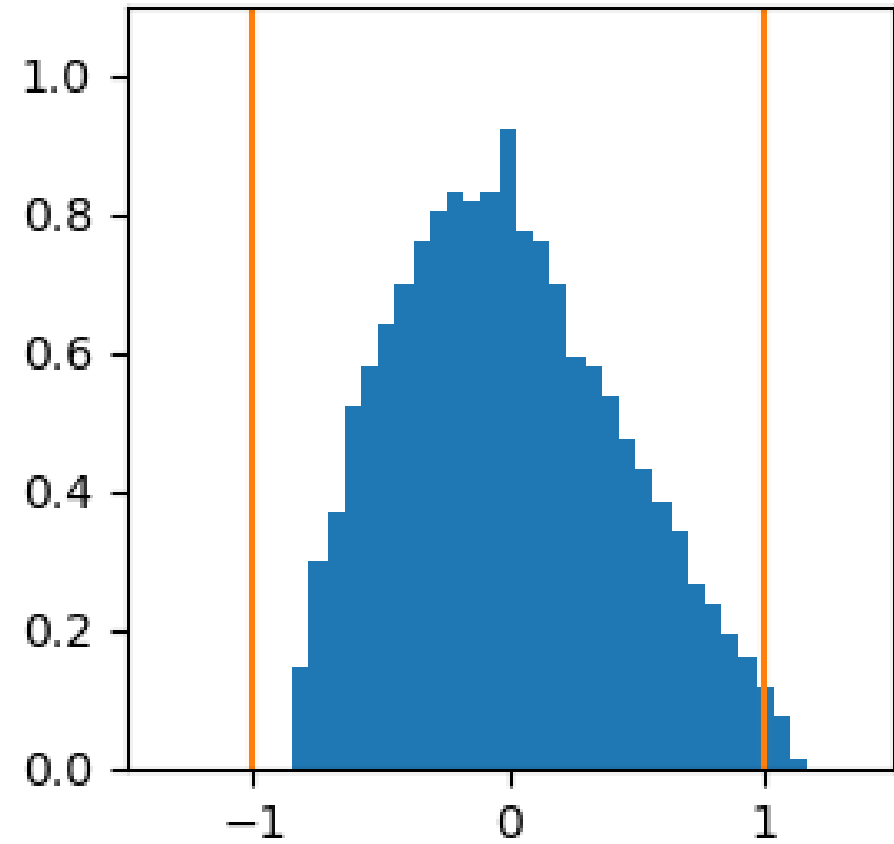
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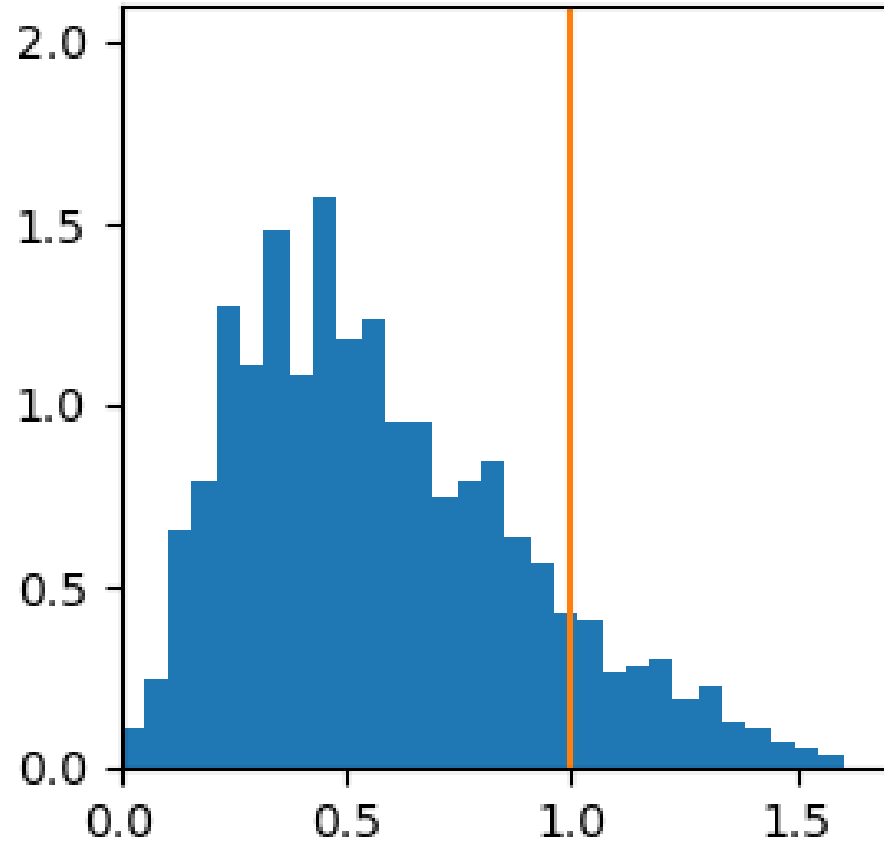


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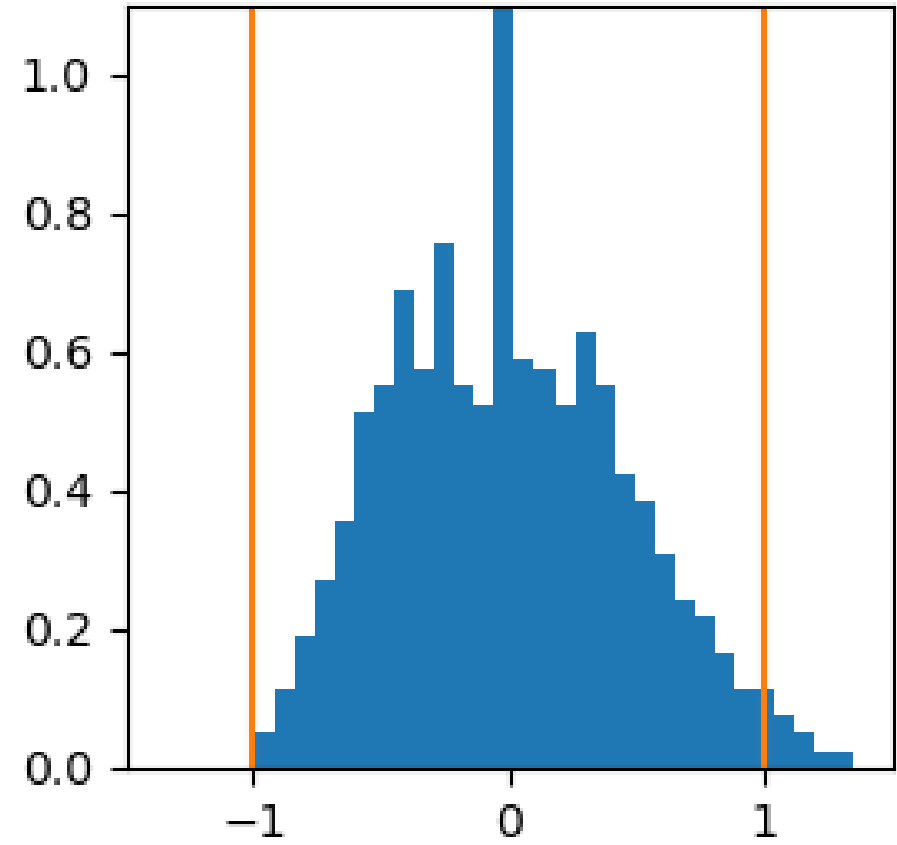
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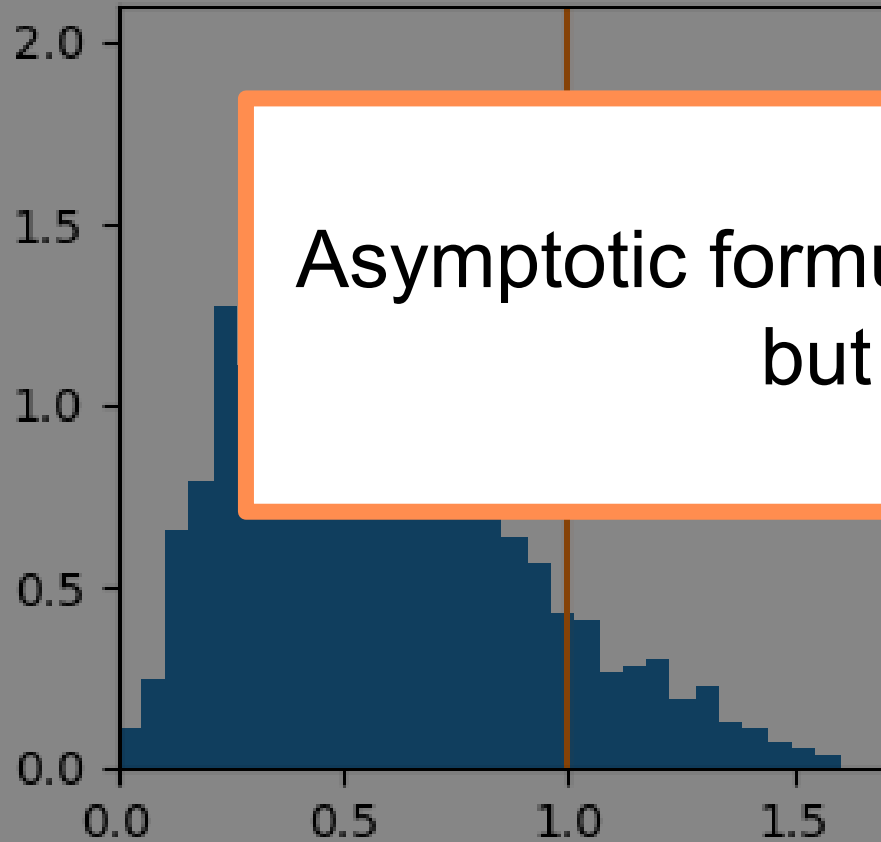


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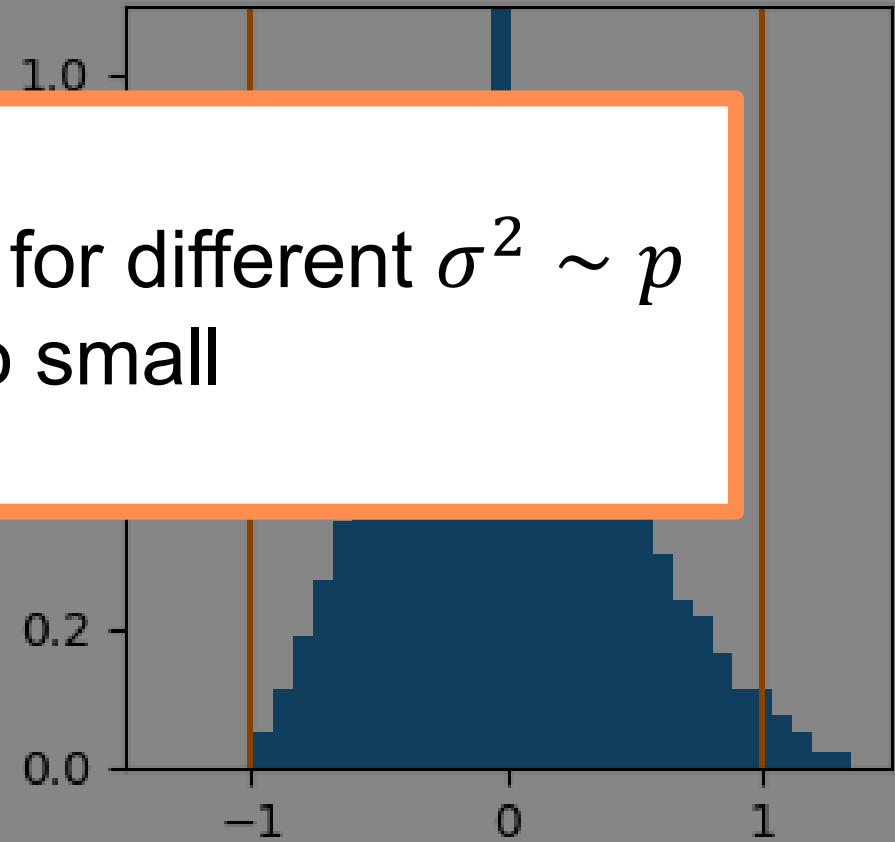
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Asymptotic formulas holds for different  $\sigma^2 \sim p$   
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Symmetric  $n \times n$ -matrix  $A$  and  $k \gg \log n$  even:

A sharp bound for the largest eigenvalue can be found by bounding  $\mathbb{E} \operatorname{tr} A^k$  with  $k \gg \log n$

# Trace method: history (if time)

**Bounded k:** E. P. Wigner. Characteristic Vectors of Bordered Matrices with Infinite Dimensions. The Annals of Mathematics, 62(3), 1955.

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**Improvement via Ihara–Bass and nonbacktracking walks:** F. Benaych-Georges, C. Bordenave, and A. Knowles. Spectral radii of sparse random matrices. *Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré, Probabilités et Statistiques*, 56(3), 2020.

**Improvement via comparison to Gaussian:** R. Latała, R. van Handel, and P. Youssef. The dimension-free structure of nonhomogeneous random matrices. *Inventiones mathematicae*, 214, 2018.

**Rectangular matrices via nonbacktracking walks:** I. Dumitriu and Y. Zhu. Extreme singular values of inhomogeneous sparse random rectangular matrices. *Bernoulli*, 30(4), 2024.

# Theorem

Let  $\mathbf{X} \in [-1, +1]^{n \times m}$  be a random matrix with independent mean-zero entries. Define variance quantities

$$\sigma_{nm}^4 = \frac{1}{nm} \max_i \sum_{i',j} \mathbb{E}X_{ij}^2 \mathbb{E}X_{i'j}^2,$$

$$\sigma_m^4 = \frac{1}{m} \max_{i_1, i_2} \sum_j \mathbb{E}X_{i_1j}^2 \mathbb{E}X_{i_2j}^2,$$

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Assume  $\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4} + k \geq n\sigma_n^2 + k$ . Then  $\mathbb{E} \operatorname{tr}[(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top \odot \mathbf{M})^k]$  is bounded from above by

$$nke^a \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2} + 3k + \frac{8k}{3W \left(\frac{2k}{a}\right)} \right)^{2k},$$

$$\text{where } a = \frac{3}{e} \left( 8e^4 k^5 \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}.$$

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The walk  $i_1 j_1 \dots i_k j_k i_1$  is a graph homomorphism  $f: C \rightarrow G$ , where

- $C$  is the cycle graph with vertex set  $[2k]$  and the rule is defined by  $f(1) \dots f(2k) = i_1 j_1 \dots i_k j_k$ ;
- $f$  is surjective, i.e.,  $V(G) = \{i_1, j_1, \dots, i_k, j_k\} \subset [n] \sqcup [m]$
- $G$  is coinduced, i.e.,  $E(G) = \{\{f(1), f(2)\}, \dots, \{f(2k), f(1)\}\}$

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**Category theory**

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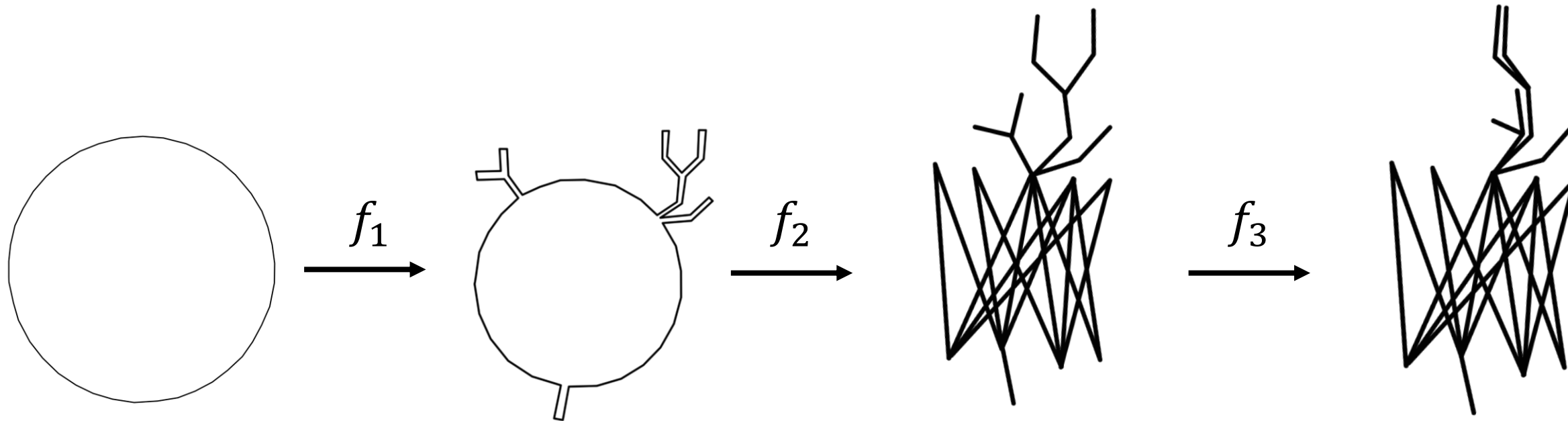
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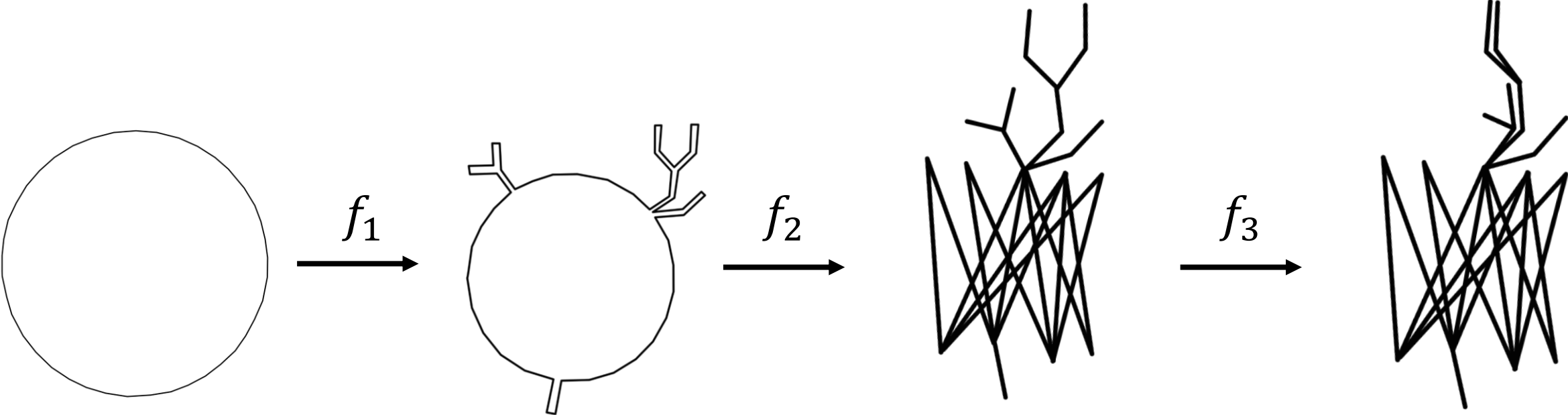
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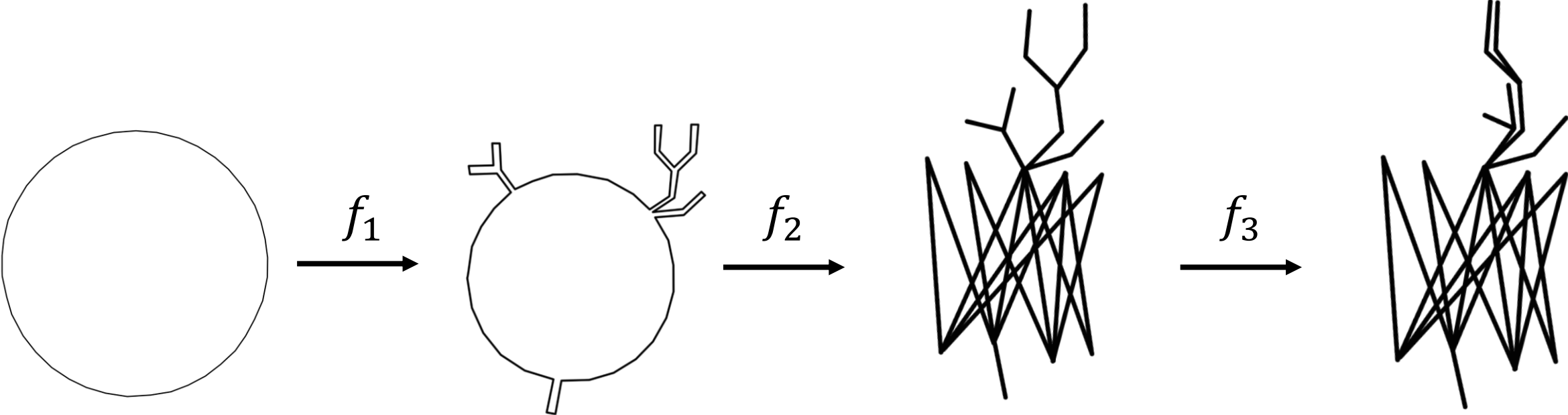
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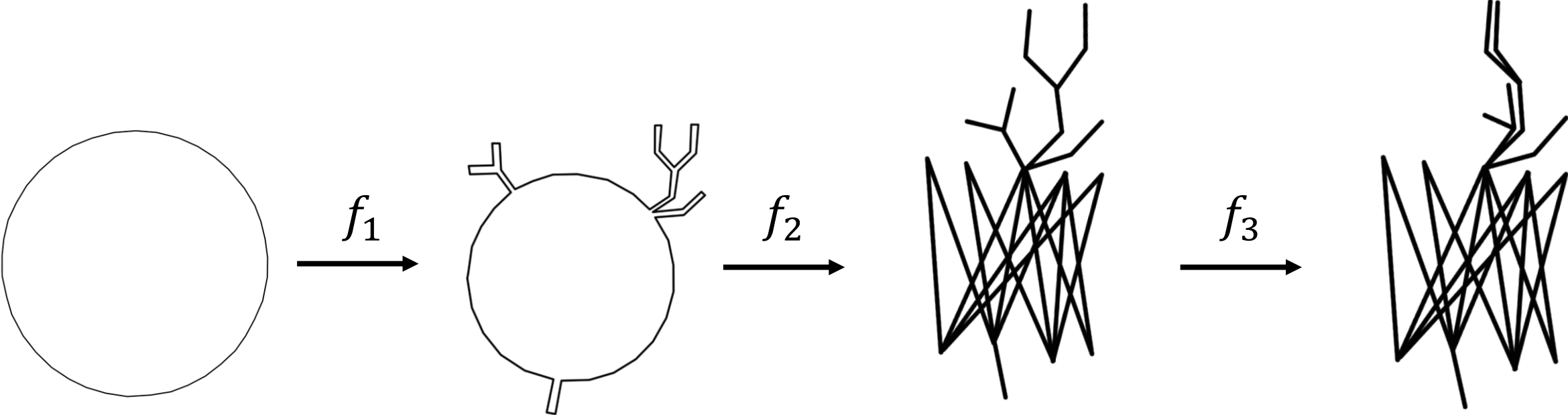


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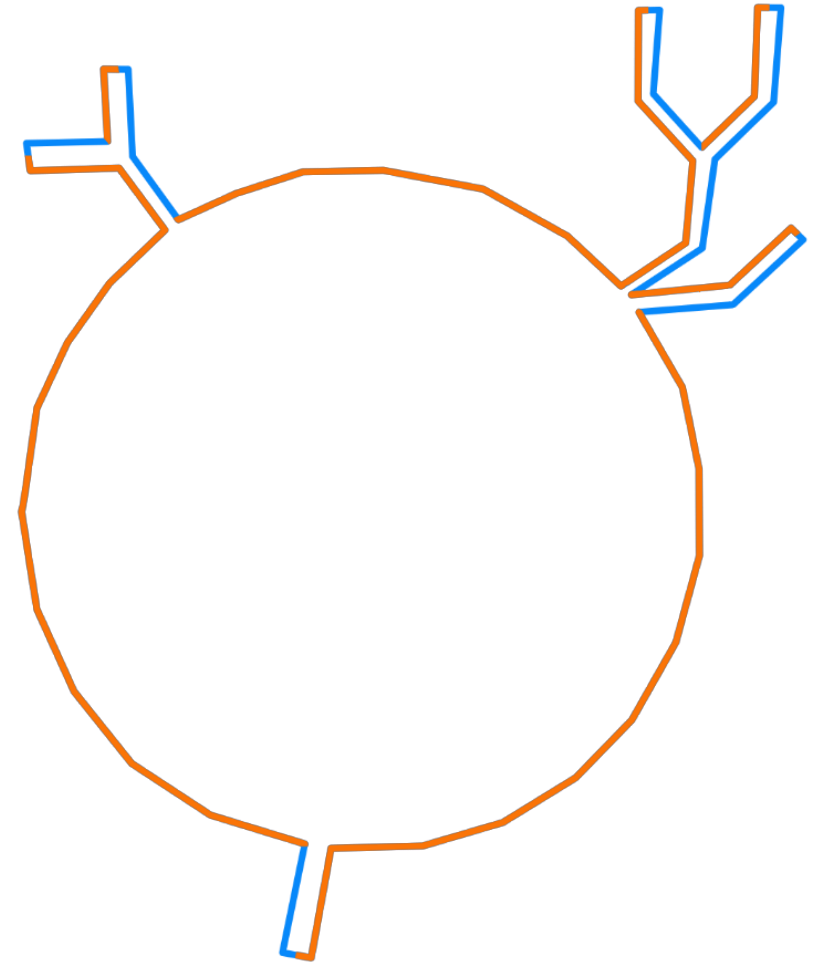
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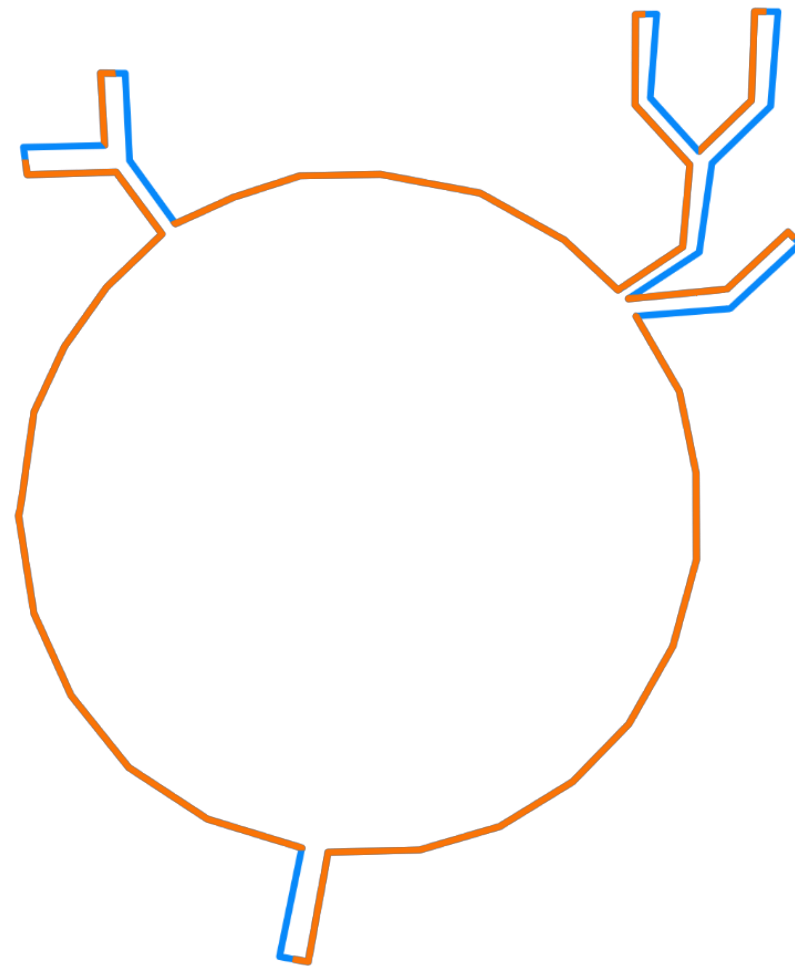
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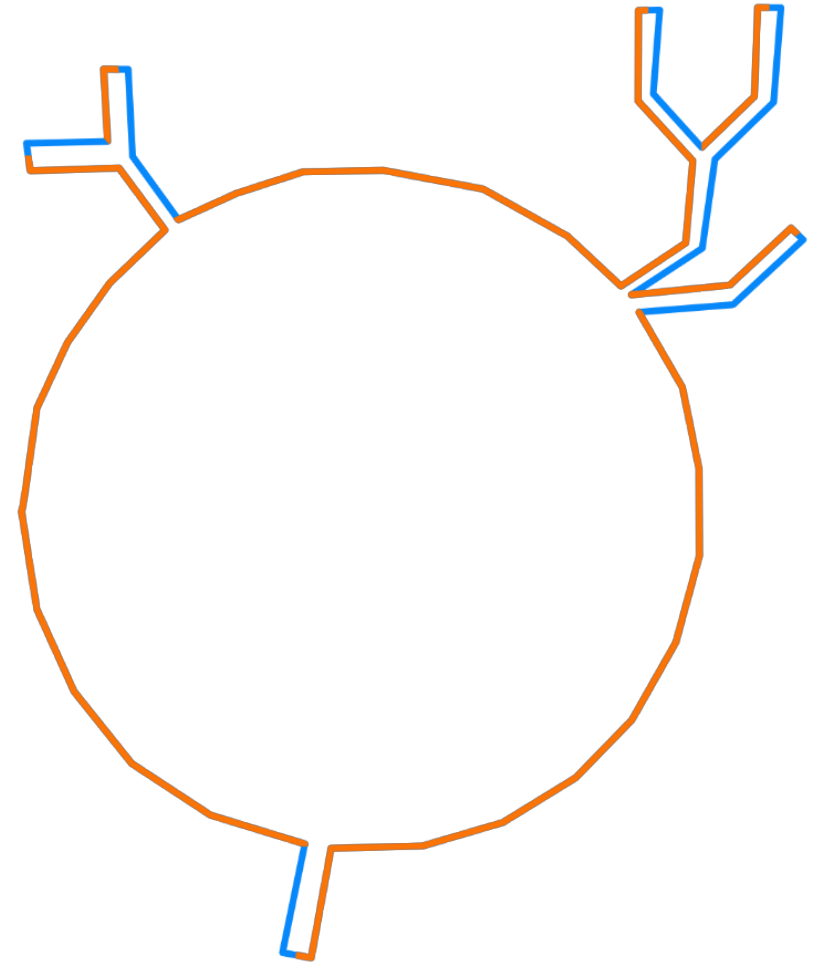
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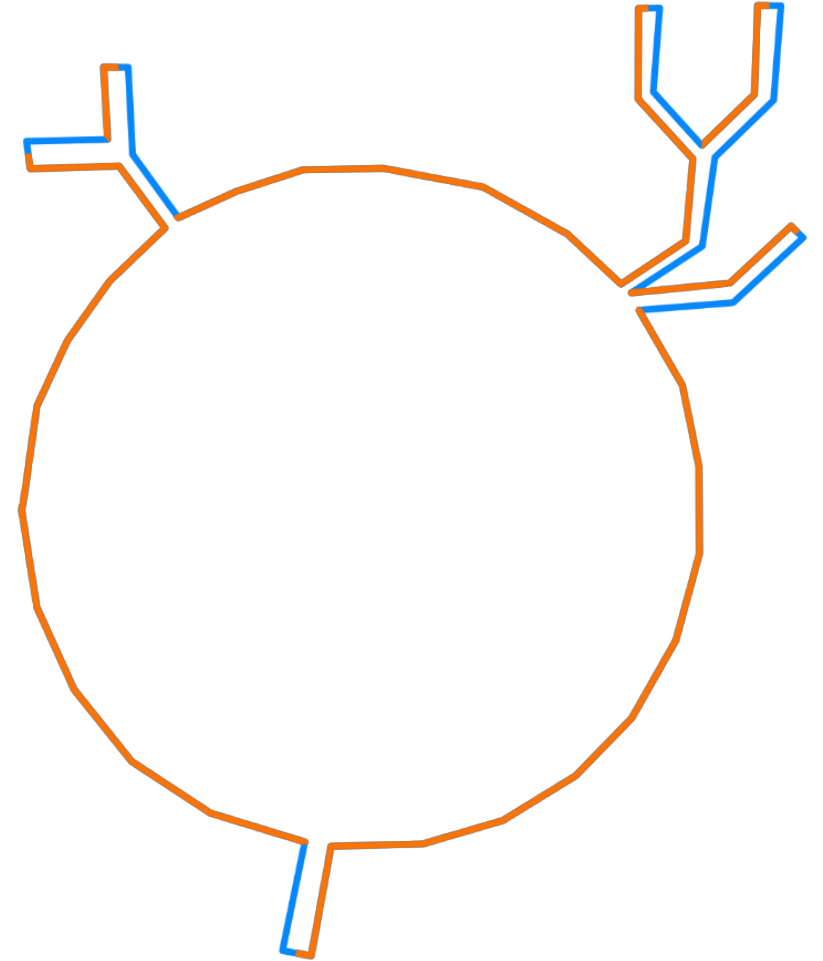
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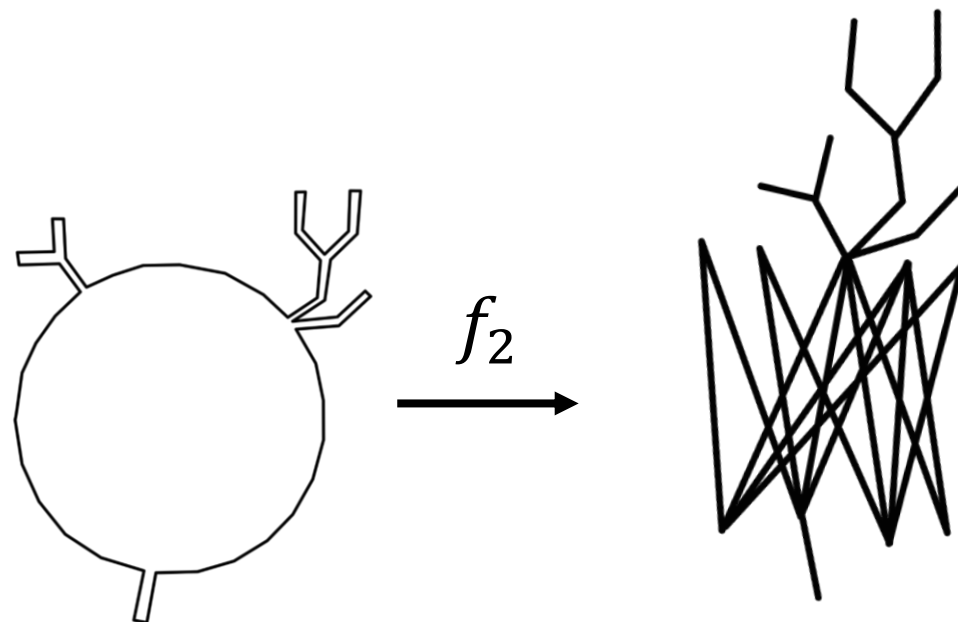
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- Improvement  $\leq \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}}$ : track how many times  $-+$  is chosen  $\Leftrightarrow$  how many n-nodes are there more than m-nodes



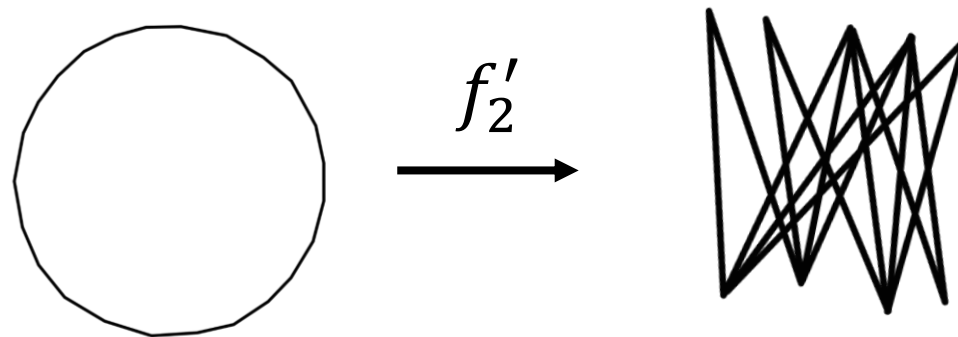
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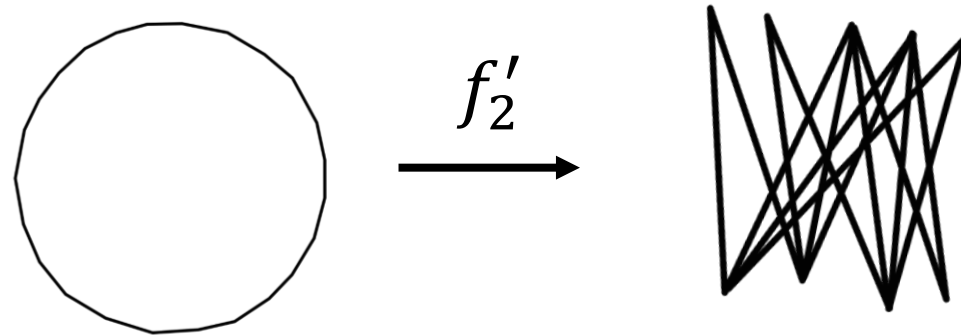


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How many  $f'_2: C_{2k'} \rightarrow G$  such that

- $f'_2$  surjective and  $G$  is coinduced (w.l.g.  $G$  is a quotient graph and  $f_2$  is the corresponding natural projection),
- every edge  $e \in E(G)$  is covered at least twice,
- Edge count  $|E(G)| = l$  and genus  $|E(G)| - |V(G)| + 1 = g$  are fixed

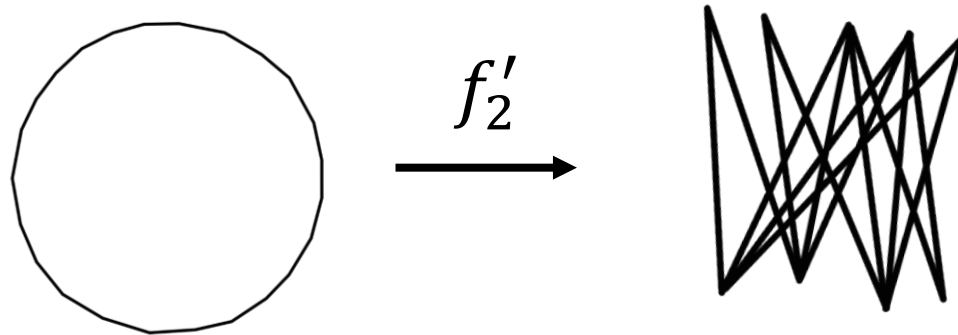


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Idea: Choose one step  $f_2(i)f_2(i+1) \Leftrightarrow$  one node  $f_2(i+1)$  at a time.

- Type (i) step = the edge is traversed for the first time
- Type (ii) step = the edge is traversed neither for the first nor the last time
- Type (iii) step = the edge is traversed for the last time



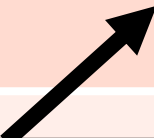
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	Type (i)		Type (ii)	Type (iii)		
	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$	
		deg $\leq 1$ prior to the step				deg $\geq 2$ prior to the step
How many?	$g$	$l - g$		$2k' - 2l$	$g$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1		Max deg	Max deg	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$		$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	

	Type (i)		Type (ii)	Type (iii)		
	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$	
		deg $\leq 1$ prior to the step	deg $\geq 2$ prior to the step			
How many?	$g$	$l - g$		$2k' - 2l$	$g$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Genus increases <math>g</math> times</p> </div>		Max deg	1	
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$			$\binom{2k'}{g}$		

	Type (i)		Type (ii)	Type (iii)	
	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$
		deg $\leq 1$ prior to the step	deg $\geq 2$ prior to the step		
How many?	$g$	$l - g$		$g$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Every edge is traversed once for the first/last time</p> </div>		Max deg	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$			$\binom{2k'}{g}$	

	Type (i)		Type (ii)	Type (iii)	
	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$
		deg $\leq 1$ prior to the step	deg $\geq 2$ prior to the step		
How many?	$g$	$l - g$		$2k' - 2l$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <math>2k</math> steps in total </div>		Max deg	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$			$\binom{2k'}{g}$	



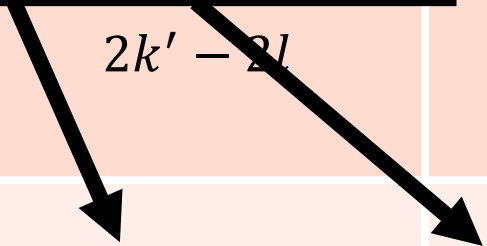
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	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$
	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;">           Number of nodes =  <math>l + 1 - g \leq l \leq k</math> </div>				
How many?	$g$	$l - g$	$2k' - 2l$	$g$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1	Max deg	Max deg	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	

	Type (i)		Type (ii)	Type (iii)	
	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$
	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <p><b>New edge and new node</b></p> </div>				
How many?	$g$	$l - g$	$2k' - 2l$	$g$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1	Max deg	Max deg	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	

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	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$	
	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <p><b>Choose neighbor node</b></p> </div>					
How many?	$g$	$l - g$		$2k' - 2l$	$g$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1		Max deg	Max deg	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$		$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	

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Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1	$2g$	$2g$	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	

Fact:  $\text{deg} \leq 2g$



Type (i)

Type (ii)

Type (iii)

$\Delta g = 0$ : In the final graph but without traversed type (iii) steps/edges

The step deletes both the source node and the edge. Since the source node is no longer visited, its degree must be 1 prior to the step

 $\Delta g = -1$  $\Delta g = 0$  $g$  $l - g$  $2g$ 

1

Choose types

$$\binom{2k'}{g}$$

$$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$$

$$\binom{2k'}{2l}$$

$$\binom{2k'}{g}$$

	Type (i)		Type (ii)	Type (iii)		
	$\Delta g = +1$	$\Delta g = 0$ deg $\leq 1$ prior to the step	<b>Evident</b>		$\Delta g = -1$	$\Delta g = 0$
How many?	$g$	$l - g$	$2k' - 2l$	$g$	$l - g$	
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1	$2g$	$2g$	1	
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$		

Type (i)

Type (ii)

Type (iii)

 $\Delta g = 0$ 

$$\sum_{x \in V} (\deg x - 2) = 2|E| - 2|V| \leq 2g,$$

$$\sum_{s \leq 2g} \binom{2k}{2g} \leq \left( \frac{2ek}{2g} \right)^{2g} = \left( \frac{ek}{g} \right)^{2g}$$

 $\Delta g = -1$  $\Delta g = 0$  $g$  $l - g$  $2g$  $1$ 

cost

 $k$  $l$  $2g$ 

Choose types

$$\binom{2k'}{g}$$

$$\left( \frac{ek'}{g} \right)^{2g}$$

$$\binom{2k'}{2l}$$

$$\binom{2k'}{g}$$

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How many?	$g$	$l - g$	$2k' - 2l$	$g$	$l - g$
Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1	$2g$	$2g$	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$

If the degree is  $\geq 2$ , it cannot be type (i).

Type (i)

Type (ii)

Type (iii)

$$\Delta g = 0$$

$$\Delta g = 0$$

$$l - g$$

$$1$$

If the degree is one and the type is (iii), then a degree-one node is created. Since  $\Delta g = 0$ , that node is not visited later and hence the degree-one node remains in the final graph  
(CONTRADICTION)

cost

 $k$ 

1

 $2g$  $2g$ 

Choose types

$$\binom{2k'}{g}$$

$$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$$

$$\binom{2k'}{2l}$$

$$\binom{2k'}{g}$$

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Combinatorial cost	$k'$	1		$2g$	$2g$	1
Choose types	$\binom{2k'}{g}$		$\left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g}$	$\binom{2k'}{2l}$	$\binom{2k'}{g}$	

Type (i)

Type (ii)

Type (iii)

## Task 2: How many $f_2$ ?

$$\leq \binom{2k'}{2l} \binom{2k'}{g}^2 \left(\frac{ek'}{g}\right)^{2g} k'^g (2g)^{2k'-2l} (2g)^g$$

$$\leq \binom{2k'}{2l} \left(\frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3}\right)^g (2g)^{2k'-2l}$$

Choose types

$$\binom{2k}{g}$$

$$\left(\frac{ek}{g}\right)$$

$$\binom{2k}{2l}$$

$$\binom{2k}{g}$$

Type (i)

Type (ii)

Type (iii)

**Task 2: How many  $f_2$ ?**

Bound is larger for larger genus

How m

= 0

$g$

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cos

Choose types

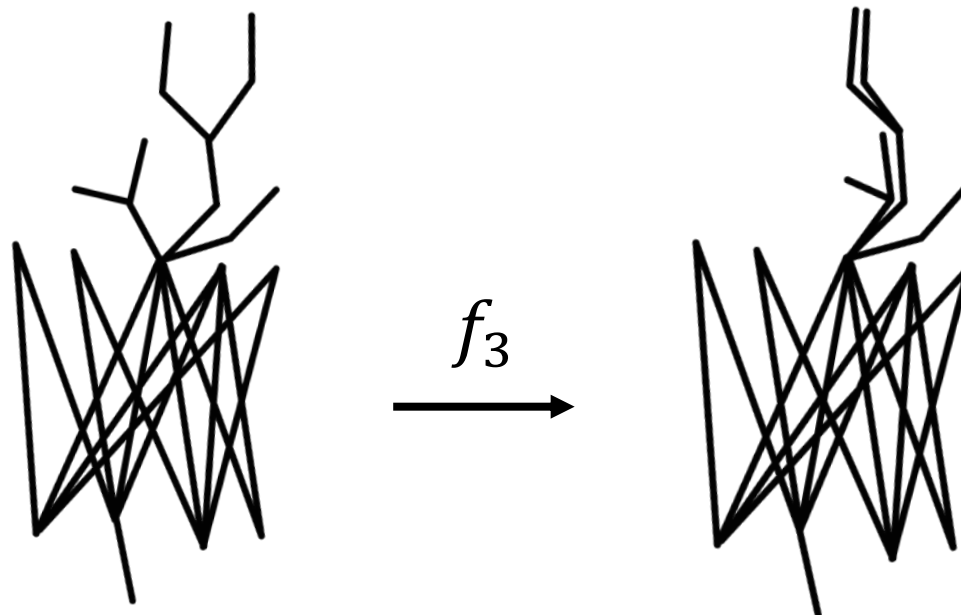
$$\binom{2\kappa}{g}$$

$$\binom{e\kappa}{g}$$

$$\binom{2\kappa}{2l}$$

$$\binom{2\kappa}{g}$$

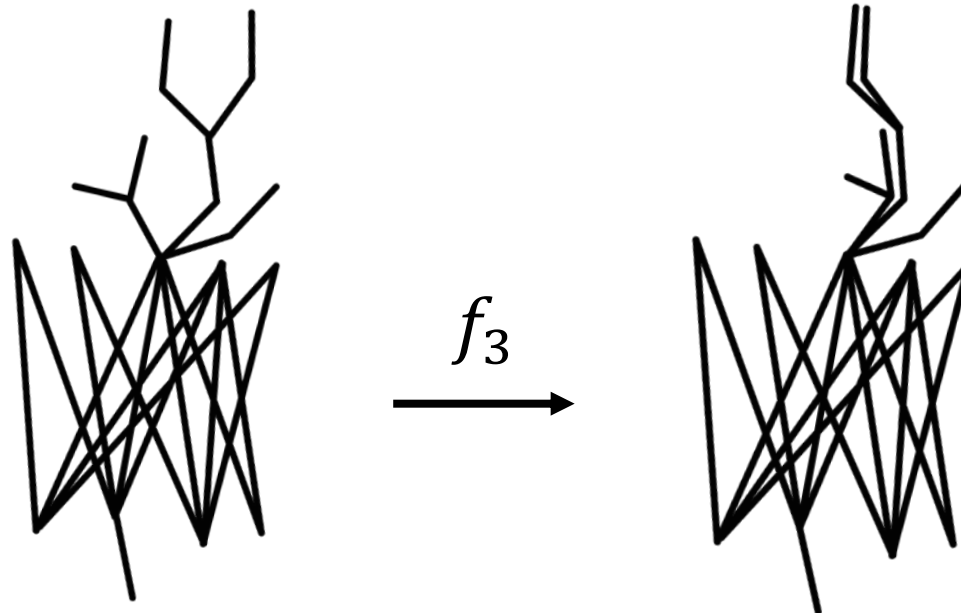
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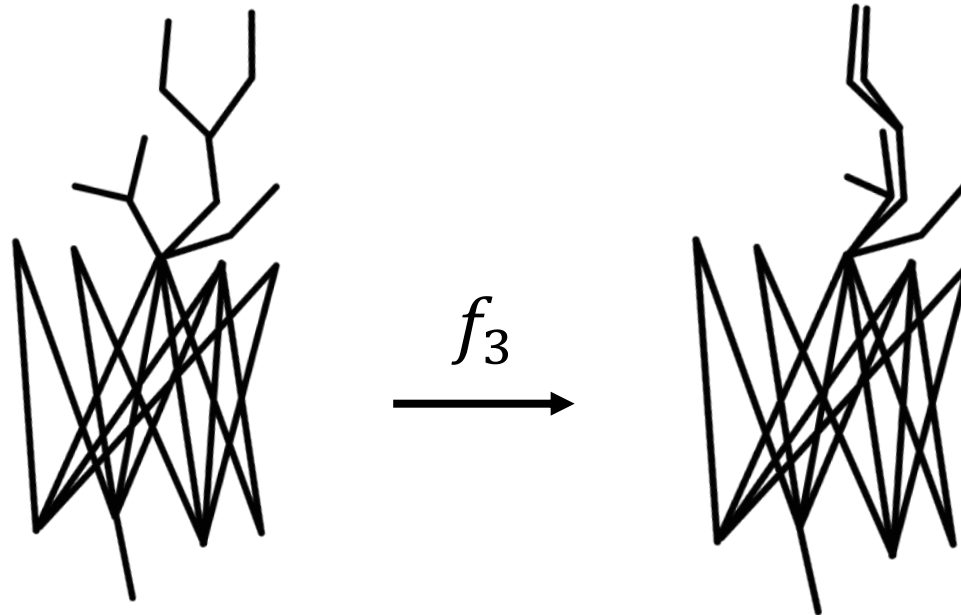
- Fix the source graph of  $f_3: H \rightarrow G$
- 2-core of  $H$  (= 2-core of  $G$ ) has genus  $g$  and  $l$  edges



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- If there exists an  $m$ -node  $j \in V(H)$  with exactly two  $n$ -node neighbors  $i_1, i_2$  that lie on a cycle, sum over all possible  $f_3(j) \in [m]$  and take out the common factor  $\sum_{f_3(j)} \mathbb{E}X_{f_3(i_1)f_3(j)}^2 \mathbb{E}X_{f_3(i_2)f_3(j)}^2 \leq m\sigma_m^4$
- If there exists an  $n$ - $m$ -edge  $\{i, j\} \in E(H)$  lying on a cycle and  $i$  has degree at least 3, take out the common factor  $\mathbb{E}X_{f_3(i)f_3(j)}^2 \leq \sigma_{\max}^2$



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After removing  $g_1$  n-m-n bridges and  $g_2 = g - g_1$  edges this way, we are left with a tree  $T \subset H$  leaving us the sum

$$(m\sigma_m^4)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot \mathbb{E} \sum_{f_3|T} \prod_{e \in E(T)} X_{f_3[e]}^2$$

Moreover, no leaf is an m-node in  $T$ !

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Lemma. For  $X_1, \dots, X_n \geq 0$  and  $p_i \geq q_i$ ,

$$\prod_i \frac{\mathbb{E}X_i^{p_i}}{\mathbb{E}X_i^{q_i}} \leq \max_i \frac{\mathbb{E}X_i^{p_1+\dots+p_n}}{\mathbb{E}X_i^{q_1+\dots+q_n}}$$

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Lemma.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbb{E} \sum_{f_3|T} \prod_{e \in E(T)} X_{f_3[e]}^2 \\
 & \leq n \left( \max_i \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{i', j: i' \neq i} X_{ij}^2 X_{i'j}^2 \right)^{|V_m(T)|} \right) \left( \max_j \frac{\mathbb{E} \left( \sum_i X_{ij}^2 \right)^{|V_n(T)|-1}}{\mathbb{E} \left( \sum_i X_{ij}^2 \right)^{|V_m(T)|}} \right) \\
 & \leq n(nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{|V_m(T)|} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{|V_n(T)|-1-|V_m(T)|} \\
 & = n(nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{|V_m(T)|} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{|V(T)|-1-2|V_m(T)|}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$(m\sigma_m^4)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n(nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{|V_m(T)|} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{|V(T)|-1-2|V_m(T)|}$$

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$$\leq (m\sigma_m^4)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n \left( \frac{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}}{n\sigma_n^2 + k} \right)^{2|V_m(T)|} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{|V(T)|-1}$$

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$$\leq (m\sigma_m^4)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n \left( \frac{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}}{n\sigma_n^2 + k} \right)^{2|V_m(T)|} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{|V(T)|-1}$$

Since  $|V_n(T)| - |V_m(T)| \geq \#\{-+\} + 1$ , the number of m-nodes has an upper bound  $|V_m(T)| \leq \frac{|V(T)| - \#\{-+\} - 1}{2}$ . Here

$$\begin{aligned} |V(T)| &= |V(H)| - g_1 \\ &= |E(H)| - g - g_1 + 1 \\ &= k - k' + l - 2g_1 - g_2 + 1. \end{aligned}$$

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$$= (m\sigma_m^4)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n \left( \frac{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}}{n\sigma_n^2 + k} \right)^{2|V_m(T)|} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{k-k'+l-2g_1-g_2}$$

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$$\leq (m\sigma_m^4)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n \left( \frac{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}}{n\sigma_n^2 + k} \right)^{k-k'+l-2g_1-g_2-\#\{-+\}}$$
$$\times (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{k-k'+l-2g_1-g_2}$$

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$$\leq (m\sigma_m^4)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}^{k-k'+l-2g_1-g_2-\#\{-+\}}$$
$$\times (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}}$$

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$$\leq \left( \frac{m\sigma_m^4}{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k} \right)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}^{k-k'+l-g_2-\#\{-+\}}$$
$$\times (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}}$$

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$$\leq \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right)^{g_1} \sigma_{\max}^{2g_2} \cdot n \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}^{k-k'+l-g_2-\#\{-+\}}$$
$$\times (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}}$$

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$$\leq \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right)^{g_1} \left( \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{g_2} \cdot n \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}^{k-k'+l-\#\{-+\}}$$
$$\times (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}}$$

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$$\leq \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right)^{g_1} \left( \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right)^{g_2} \cdot n \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}^{k-k'+l-\#\{-+\}}$$
$$\times (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}}$$

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$$\leq \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right)^g \cdot n \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}^{k-k'+l-\#\{-+\}}$$
$$\times (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}}$$

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## Proof: Task 3

### Task 3:

In contrary to task 2, the bound  
is smaller for larger genus

# Proof: Task 4

$$\sum_{\#\{-+\}, l, g} \text{Task1} \cdot \text{Task2} \cdot \text{Task3}$$

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## Proof: Task 4

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \sum_l \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \cdot \binom{2k'}{2l} \left(\frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3}\right)^g (2g)^{2k'-2l} \\ &\times n \left(\frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2}\right)^g \left(\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}\right)^{k-k'+l-\#\{-+\}} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}} \end{aligned}$$

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## Proof: Task 4

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \sum_l \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \cdot \binom{2k'}{2l} \left(\frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3}\right)^g (2g)^{2k'-2l} \\
 &\times n \left(\frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2}\right)^g \left(\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}\right)^{k-k'+l-\#\{-+\}} (n\sigma_n^2 + k)^{\#\{-+\}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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# Proof: Task 4

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= n \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \left( \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right. \right. \\
 &\left. \left. \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}} \right)^g \left( \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k} \right)^{k-k'} \sum_l \binom{2k'}{2l} (2g)^{2k'-2l} \left( \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k} \right)^l
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= n \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \left( \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right. \right. \\
 &\left. \left. \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}} \right)^g (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{2k-2k'}{4}} \sum_l \binom{2k'}{2l} (2g)^{2k'-2l} (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{2l}{4}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\leq n \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \left( \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right) \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}} \right)^g (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{2k-2k'}{4}} \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2g \right)^{2k'}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= n \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \left( \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right. \right. \\
 &\left. \left. \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}} \right)^g (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{2k}{4}} \left( \frac{(nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2g}{(nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \right)^{2k'} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\leq n \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \left( \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right)^g \left( \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}} \right)^g (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{2k}{4}} \left( \frac{(nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2g}{(nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \right)^{2k} \right)$$

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$$\leq n \sum_{\#\{-+\}} \binom{k}{\#\{-+\}} 2^{k-\#\{-+\}} \left( \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{\#\{-+\}} \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \right) \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}}} \right)^g \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2g \right)^{2k}$$

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## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \left( 2 + \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^k$$
$$\times \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}} \right) \right)^g \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2g \right)^{2k}$$

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## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sqrt[2k]{2 + \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}}} \\ \times \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^2}} \right) \right)^g \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g$$
$$\times \sqrt[2k]{2 + \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g$$
$$\times \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{2 + \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} + 2g \sqrt{2 + \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g$$
$$\times \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{2 + \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}} + 2g\sqrt{2 + 1} \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

# Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g$$
$$\times \left( (nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k)^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{2 + \frac{n\sigma_n^2 + k}{\sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k}}} + 4g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

# Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g$$
$$\times \left( \sqrt{2 \sqrt{nm\sigma_{nm}^4 + k} + n\sigma_n^2 + k + 4g} \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g$$
$$\times \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2} + 3k + 4g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq n \sum_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g$$
$$\times \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2} + 3k + 4g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$\leq nk \sup_g \left( \frac{8e^4 k^5}{g^3} \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^g \\ \times \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2} + 3k + 4g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nk \sup_g \left( \frac{1}{g} \left( 8e^4 k^5 \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)^{3g} \\ \times \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2} + 3k + 4g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nk \sup_g \left( \frac{e}{3g} \frac{3}{e} \left( 8e^4 k^5 \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)^{3g} \\ \times \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2} + 3k + 4g \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nk \sup_g \left( \frac{e}{3g} \frac{3}{e} \left( 8e^4 k^5 \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)^{3g} \\ \times \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2} + 3k + 4g \right)^{2k}$$

$$a = \frac{3}{e} \left( 8e^4 k^5 \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nk \sup_g \left( \frac{ea}{3g} \right)^{3g} \\ \times \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2 + 3k + 4g} \right)^{2k}$$

$$a = \frac{3}{e} \left( 8e^4 k^5 \left( \frac{\sigma_m^4}{n\sigma_{nm}^4} \vee \frac{\sigma_{\max}^2}{\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nk \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{2k} \sup_g \left(\frac{ea}{3g}\right)^{3g} \times \left(\frac{3}{4} \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2 + 3k + 3g}\right)^{2k}$$

$$b = \frac{3}{4} \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2 + 3k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nk \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{2k} \sup_g \left(\frac{ea}{3g}\right)^{3g} \times (b + 3g)^{2k}$$

$$b = \frac{3}{4} \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2 + 3k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nk \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{2k} e^a \left(b + \frac{2k}{W\left(\frac{2k}{a}\right)}\right)^{2k}$$

**A!**

## Proof: Task 4

$$= nke^a \left( \sqrt{2\sqrt{nm}\sigma_{nm}^2 + n\sigma_n^2 + 3k} + \frac{8k}{3W \left(\frac{2k}{a}\right)} \right)^{2k}$$

**A!**