

# ON MAXIMA IN GEOMETRIC WORDS THAT SATISFY A GENERALIZED RESTRICTED GROWTH PROPERTY

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Studied because related to:

- Approximate counting;
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**Goal:** find asymptotics of **moment generating function**

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in a complex neighbourhood of 0.

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Can be solved with the **Mellin transform**:

$$\mathcal{M}[\tilde{f}(z); \omega] := \int_0^\infty \tilde{f}(z) z^{\omega-1} dz$$

because of

$$\mathcal{M}[\tilde{f}(az); \omega] = a^{-\omega} \mathcal{M}[\tilde{f}(z); \omega].$$

# Converse Mapping Theorem

Theorem (Flajolet, Gourdon, Dumas; 1995)

Let the Mellin transform of  $\tilde{f}(z)$  exist in the strip  $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$ .

Assume that  $\mathcal{M}[\tilde{f}(z); s]$  can be continued to a meromorphic function on  $\langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle$  with  $\beta < \gamma$  with simple poles at  $s_1, \dots, s_k$ .

Then, under some technical conditions,

$$\tilde{f}(z) = - \sum_{j=1}^k \operatorname{Res}(\mathcal{M}[\tilde{f}(z); s], s = s_j) z^{-s_j} + \mathcal{O}(z^{-\gamma})$$

as  $z \rightarrow \infty$ .

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parameter	$m$ -th central moments	limit law
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$M_n^{(d)}$	periodic for all $d \geq 1$	does not exist for all $d \geq 1$
$N_n$	periodic	does not exist