

## Exercise Session 2 : 7.10.2024

### 1) Saddle bound:

a) let  $f$  be analytic on  $D(0, R)$ ,  $R \in (0, \infty]$ ; with  $f_n \geq 0 \ \forall n$ .

Prove that  $f_n \leq \frac{f(r)}{r^n} \ \forall n \in (0, R)$

b) Deduce that  $n! \geq \frac{n^n}{e^n}$

(= weak version of Stirling inequality)

### 2) Proof of $[z^n] \frac{1}{(1-z)^k} = \binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$

a) 1<sup>st</sup> proof: For  $F$  analytic at 0,  
 $[z^n] F(z) = \frac{1}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial z^n} F(z)$ . Conclude

b) 2<sup>nd</sup> proof: Cauchy formula + change of variable  
 $y = \frac{z}{1-z}$ .

c) 3<sup>rd</sup> proof: Use the symbolic dictionary to define a combinatorial class with  $\text{OGF} = \frac{1}{(1-z)^k}$ .

### 3) Longest runs.

a) What is the OGF  $F(z)$  of words on  $\{0,1\}$  s.t. # of consecutive 0s  $< k$ .

b) What is the probability  $p_n$  that a random binary word has at most  $k$  consecutive 0s? (in terms of  $f$ ).

c) Give some bounds for the dominant singularity  $\rho_k$  of  $f(z)$

d) Prove that  $p_n \sim \frac{1}{(2\rho_k)^n} \frac{1 - \rho_k^k}{\rho_k(2 - (k+1)\rho_k^k)}$ .