## Pattern Avoidance on $k$ ary Heaps (Work in Progress aren they all)

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## Once upon a time.



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This heap avoids 231 .

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Notice each tree avoids $213,231,312,321$, but the forest contains 213, 231, 312, 321.

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Given by relation:

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The vertex labelled $n$ is always a leaf. After insertion, the vertex labelled $n+1$ is always a leaf.

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In order to avoid 231 and 312, $n+1$ must be inserted directly before $n$ or at the end.

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## Proof of Lemma:

- $n+1$ at last leaf: OK
- $n+1$ right before $n$ : OK


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Second Case: $n$ is odd. So the new leaf is child of a former leaf. Is it possible that we push a small label to be a child over a larger label that was a leaf?

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Inserting $n+1$ at the last leaf: Still OK!

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We must already have had a 231, namely bna.

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We don't want to count this,
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So we have the same recurrence relation as the Narayana-Zidek-Capell numbers.

## Heaps Avoiding 231

Test yourself!

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The subheap before $n$ is a smaller case of a heap avoiding 231 .

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Knowing the roots is enough!

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Proof method: Bijection to the number of paths under the line $y=v x$ from $(0,0)$ to $(t, v t)$ using steps $(0,1)$ and $(1,0)$.

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Subtract 1 from each element of the string. These are your sequence of level steps. $3 \rightarrow 33 \rightarrow 331 \rightarrow 220$

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## Corollary

Let $\sigma$ be a permutation of length $n m$ composed of a concatenation of $m$ increasing sequences of length $n$. The number of such $\sigma$ that avoid 132 is $\frac{1}{n m+1}\binom{n+1) m}{n m+1}$.

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- Slightly different question: How many permutations avoid $\sigma$ can be realized as trees?
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