

# Asymptotic of subsequences of A212382

(Václav Kotěšovec, published July 17 2014)

In the [OEIS](#) (On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences) published Alois P. Heinz in 2012 sequences "Number of Dyck  $n$ -paths all of whose ascents have lengths equal to  $1 \pmod{p}$ ", which can be generalized (for  $p \geq 1$ ) as the family of the sequences with an [ordinary generating function](#)  $A(x)$ , satisfies functional equation

$$A(x) = 1 + x * \frac{A(x)}{1 - (x * A(x))^p}$$

Sequences in the [OEIS](#):

[A000108](#) ( $p=1$ ), [A101785](#) ( $p=2$ ), [A212383](#) ( $p=3$ ), [A212384](#) ( $p=4$ ), [A212385](#) ( $p=5$ ), [A212386](#) ( $p=6$ ), [A212387](#) ( $p=7$ ), [A212388](#) ( $p=8$ ), [A212389](#) ( $p=9$ ), [A212390](#) ( $p=10$ ), all sequences in one array together [A212382](#).

**Theorem** (V. Kotěšovec, July 16 2014):

The asymptotic is (for  $p \geq 1$ )

$$a_n \sim \frac{s^2}{n^{3/2} r^{n-1/2} \sqrt{2\pi p (s-1) \left(1 + \frac{s}{1+p(s-1)}\right)}}$$

where  $r$  ( $0 < r < 1$ ) and  $s$  are real roots of the system of equations

$$r = \frac{p(s-1)^2}{s(1-p+ps)} \quad (rs)^p = \frac{s-1-rs}{s-1}$$

**Proof:**

Following theorem by Edward A. Bender is (in case of implicit functions) very useful (for proof see [1], p.505 and also [4], p.469).

**Citation:** Edward A. Bender, "Asymptotic methods in enumeration" (1974), p.502, see [1]

**THEOREM 5.** Assume that the power series  $w(z) = \sum a_n z^n$  with nonnegative coefficients satisfies  $F(z, w) \equiv 0$ . Suppose there exist real numbers  $r > 0$  and  $s > 0$  such that

- (i) for some  $\delta > 0$ ,  $F(z, w)$  is analytic whenever  $|z| < r + \delta$  and  $|w| < s + \delta$ ;
- (ii)  $F(r, s) = F_w(r, s) = 0$ ;
- (iii)  $F_z(r, s) \neq 0$ , and  $F_{ww}(r, s) \neq 0$ ; and
- (iv) if  $|z| \leq r$ ,  $|w| \leq s$ , and  $F(z, w) = F_w(z, w) = 0$ , then  $z = r$  and  $w = s$ .

Then

$$(7.1) \quad a_n \sim ((rF_z)/(2\pi F_{ww}))^{1/2} n^{-3/2} r^{-n},$$

where the partial derivatives  $F_z$  and  $F_{ww}$  are evaluated at  $z = r$ ,  $w = s$ .

Bender's formula applied for [ordinary generating function](#) is

$$a_n \sim \frac{1}{n r^n} \sqrt{\frac{r F_z}{2\pi n F_{ww}}}$$

(for [exponential generating function](#) see [8])

Now we have the implicit function

$$f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{1 - (xy)^p} - y + 1$$

partial derivatives		
$F_z$	$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y)$	$\frac{y(p(xy)^p - (xy)^p + 1)}{((xy)^p - 1)^2}$
$F_w$	$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y)$	$\frac{x(p(xy)^p - (xy)^p + 1)}{((xy)^p - 1)^2} - 1$
$F_{ww}$	$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y)$	$-\frac{px(xy)^p(p(xy)^p - (xy)^p + p + 1)}{y((xy)^p - 1)^3}$

$r, s$ , are roots of the system of equations

$$s \left( \frac{r}{1 - (rs)^p} - 1 \right) + 1 = 0 \quad \frac{r(p(rs)^p - (rs)^p + 1)}{((rs)^p - 1)^2} = 1$$

which can be simplified as

$$r = \frac{p(s-1)^2}{s(1-p+ps)} \quad (rs)^p = \frac{s-1-rs}{s-1}$$

The asymptotic is then

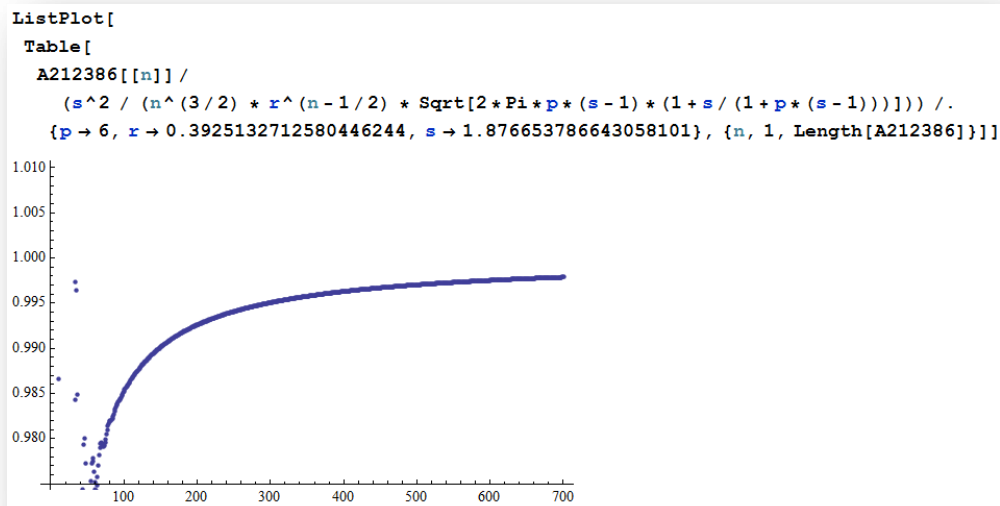
$$a_n \sim \frac{r^{\frac{1}{2}n} \sqrt{-\frac{s^3(rs)^{-p-1}((rs)^p - 1)(p(rs)^p - (rs)^p + 1)}{p(p(rs)^p - (rs)^p + p + 1)}}}{\sqrt{2\pi n^{3/2}}}$$

after simplification

$$a_n \sim \frac{s^2}{n^{3/2} r^{n-1/2} \sqrt{2\pi p(s-1) \left(1 + \frac{s}{1+p(s-1)}\right)}}$$

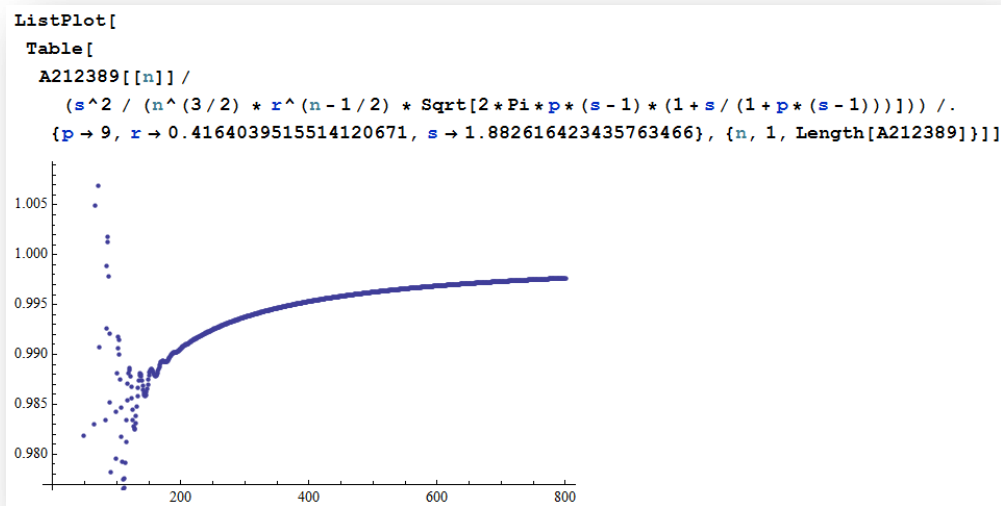
Numerical verification (for  $p=6$ , [A212386](#))

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N[Solve[{r == p*(s-1)^2/(s*(1-p+p*s)), (r*s)^p == (s-1-r*s)/(s-1), r > 0, r < 1} /.
  p -> 6, {r, s}, Reals], 20]
{{r -> 0.39251327125804462442, s -> 1.8766537866430581017}}
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Numerical verification (for  $p=9$ , [A212389](#))

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N[Solve[{r == p * (s - 1) ^ 2 / (s * (1 - p + p * s)), (r * s) ^ p == (s - 1 - r * s) / (s - 1), r > 0, r < 1} /. p -> 9, {r, s}, Reals], 20]
{{r -> 0.41640395155141206718, s -> 1.8826164234357634660}}
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