

Enumeration Schemes for Restricted Permutations

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ABSTRACT

Naive counting of sets of permutations of length n , avoiding a given set of patterns, is (usually) exponential-time, but if you can find a so-called Enumeration Scheme, then it only takes polynomially-long. Recently my student Vince Vatter extended my earlier notion of Enumeration Scheme, which resulted in a considerably better success rate. But it is still far from one hundred percent. Is there yet another extension?, or perhaps some patterns, like 1324, will stay forever elusive?