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our hymn to counting is a symphony in two movements:

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• counting equates multiplets of equivalent orbits.

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(a) The region labels in the nodes of transition graph can be omitted, as the links alone keep track of the symbolic dynamics.

(b)-(j) The fundamental cycles for the transition graph (a), i.e., the set of its non-self-intersecting loops. Each loop represents a local trace t_p .

loop expansion of a transition graph

Consider a state space covered by 7 neighborhoods, with the topological time evolution given by the above transition graph. The determinant det (1 - zT) of the transition graph read off the graph as a polynomial in *z*; coefficients are products of non-intersecting loops (traces of powers of *T*) of the transition graph.

$$det (1 - zT) = 1 - (t_0 + t_1)z - (t_{01} - t_0t_1)z^2 - (t_{001} + t_{011} - t_{01}t_0 - t_{01}t_1)z^3 - (t_{0011} + t_{0111} - t_{001}t_1 - t_{011}t_0 - t_{011}t_1 + t_{01}t_0t_1)z^4 - (t_{001011} - t_{0111}t_0 - t_{0011}t_1 + t_{011}t_0t_1)z^5 - (t_{0010111} + t_{001101} - t_{001011}t_0 - t_{001101}t_1)z^6 - (t_{0010111} + t_{0011101} - t_{001011}t_1 - t_{001101}t_1 - t_{001101}t_1 - t_{001101}t_1)z^7.$$

Twelve cycles up to period 7 are fundamental cycles: $\overline{0, 1, 01, 001, 011}, \overline{0011, 0111}, \overline{00111}, \overline{00111}, \overline{001011}, \overline{0010111}, \overline{001011}, \overline{001011}, \overline{001011}, \overline{001011}, \overline{001011}, \overline{001011}, \overline{0010111}, \overline{0010111}, \overline{0010111}, \overline{0010111}, \overline{0010111}, \overline{0010111}, \overline{001011}, \overline{00101}, \overline{0010101}, \overline{0010101}, \overline{0010101}, \overline{001001}, \overline{001001}, \overline{001001}, \overline{00000}, \overline{0000}, \overline{00$ The topological polynomial $t_p \rightarrow z^{n_p}$

$$1/\zeta_{top}(z) = 1 - 2z - z^7$$

is interesting; the shadowing fails first at the cycle length n = 7, so the topological entropy is only a bit smaller than the binary $h = \ln 2$.

the main result of this chapter can be stated as follows: