Food for Thought

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Cutting Down Trees to Solve ODEs

Abstract:
We show how to express the solution to an ordinary differential equation as a sum over rooted trees, discover a group structure on the set of rooted trees, extend it to a Hopf algebra related to quantum renormalization, and finally bring ourselves back down to Earth and derive the coefficients used in Runge-Kutta integrators.

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