

ON THE NUMBER OF k -TREES IN A RANDOM GRAPH

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Abstract: Let $K_{n,p}$ denote a random graph obtained from a complete labelled graph K_n on n vertices by independent deletion of its edges with the prescribed probability $q = 1 - p$, $0 < p < 1$. Moreover, let $p = p(n)$ and let $X_{n,r}^{(k)}$ denote the number of r -vertex subgraphs ($r \geq k + 1$) of a random graph $K_{n,p}$ being k -trees. In this paper we prove that, under some conditions imposed on probability $p(n)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the random variable $X_{n,r}^{(k)}$ has asymptotically the Poisson or normal distribution. We generalize earlier results of Erdős and Rényi [2] dealing with the distribution of the number of trees (i.e. random variable $X_{n,r}^{(1)}$) as well as the results of Schürger [7] on the number of cliques in $K_{n,r}$ (i.e. random variable $X_{n,k+1}^{(k)}$).

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