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Counting unrooted loopless planar maps. (English) Zbl 1070.05050

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This paper is devoted to proving the following formula for $L^+(n)$, the number of loopless planar maps with n edges up to an orientation-preserving isomorphism:

Theorem 1. For $n \geq 1$,

$$L^+(n) = \frac{1}{2n} \left[\frac{2(4n+1)}{(n+1)(3n+1)(3n+2)} \binom{4n}{n} + \sum_{t < n, t|n} \phi\left(\frac{n}{t}\right) \binom{4t}{t} + \begin{cases} \frac{2n}{n+1} \binom{2n}{\frac{n-1}{2}} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \binom{2n}{\frac{n-2}{2}} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases} \right],$$

where $\phi(n)$ is the Euler totient function.

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