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Herein are listed the coefficients of the characteristic polynomials of the adjacency matrices of all trees with 13 or fewer nodes.

The list was generated in two ways to provide a check on the calculations, which were performed on a 1 CL 1902A and an IBM 1620, respectively. The first method employs a theorem of Collatz and Singowitz [1], which asserts that if  $\phi(T) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} (-1)^k a_k \lambda^{n-k}$  is the characteristic polynomial of a tree T on n nodes, then  $a_{2k+1} = 0$  and  $a_{2k}$  equals the number of ways of finding k mutually nonadjacent edges in T. The second method uses a known decomposition theorem [2], which states that if u is a node of valency 1 connected to a node v, T - uv is the tree (together with the isolated node u) formed by deleting the edge uv, and T - u - v is the forest formed by deleting nodes u and v and their incident edges, then  $\phi(T) = \phi(T - uv) - \phi(T - u - v)$ .

A further check of the accuracy of the list was made by comparison with the corresponding data in the table of Mowshowitz [3], which includes all trees on 10 or fewer nodes.

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