

# FAQ for the 20260312 Response Set

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## **What changed on March 12?**

The project clarified the relation between the stabilized MCP tail, the claimed ablation pressure on max-min, and the possibility of a broader post-tropical count-combination theory.

## **Did the MCP get replaced?**

No. It was tightened and re-scoped. The strongest reading now is that it is the exact theory of tropical max-min count-based prediction.

## **Did the benchmark question get settled?**

Not by the papers themselves. The response set reacts to claimed empirical pressure and states what would follow if it survives.

## **Why so many short papers instead of one long one?**

Because several questions that had been conflated needed to be separated before a later synthesis would be honest.

## **What is the single best entry point?**

*response-cluster-starter-pack* if you are new, *response-cluster-reading-guide* if you want a path, and *response-cluster-overview* if you want the whole set mapped.

## **What is the single most important unresolved issue?**

Whether the new combination pressure is merely an engineering fact or the first sign of a broader theory beyond rigid tropical max-min.

## **What counts as progress now?**

Something that either verifies a benchmark claim, sharpens a theory boundary, or resolves one explicitly named open question.