

Lattice paths and heaps

Marches aléatoires, combinatoire et interactions

Lattice paths, combinatorics and interactions

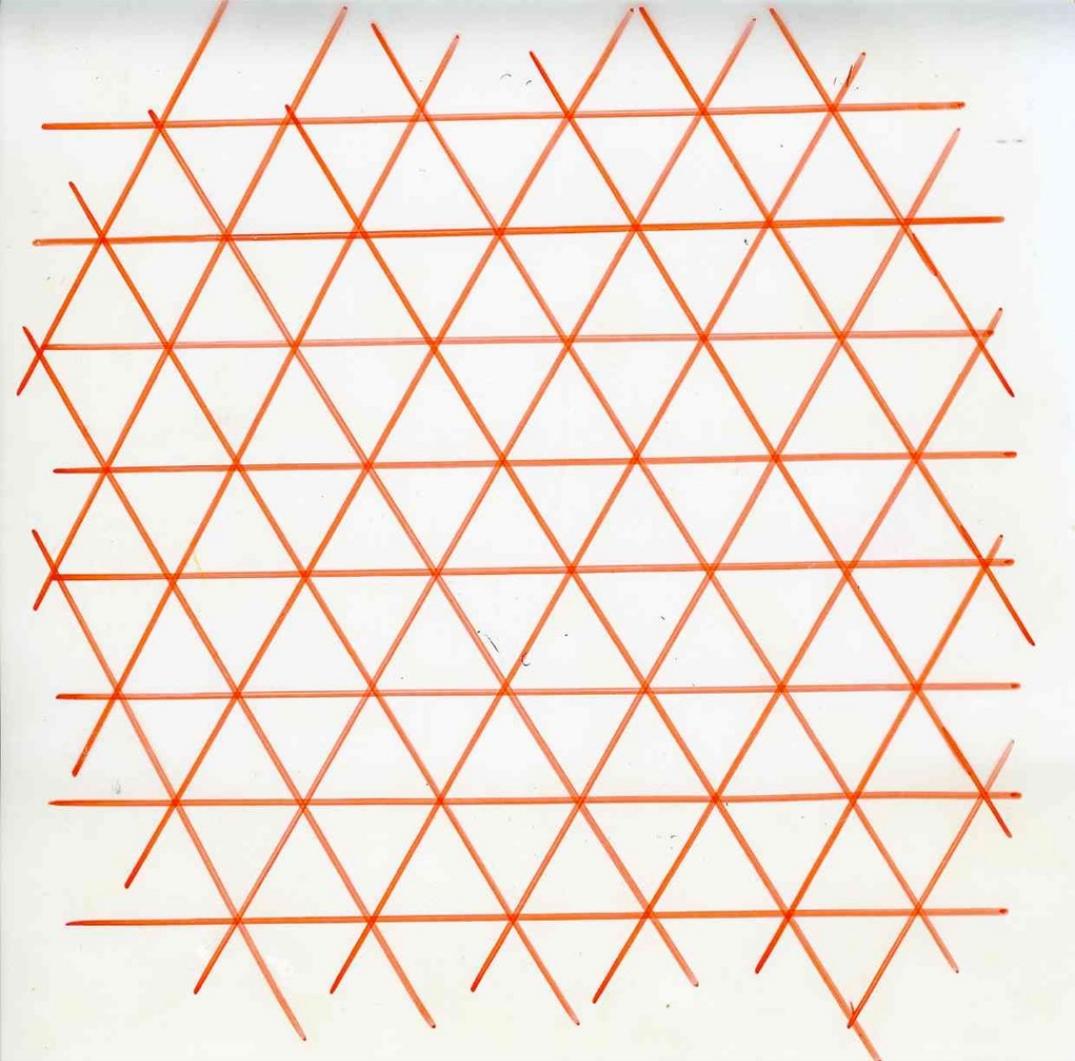
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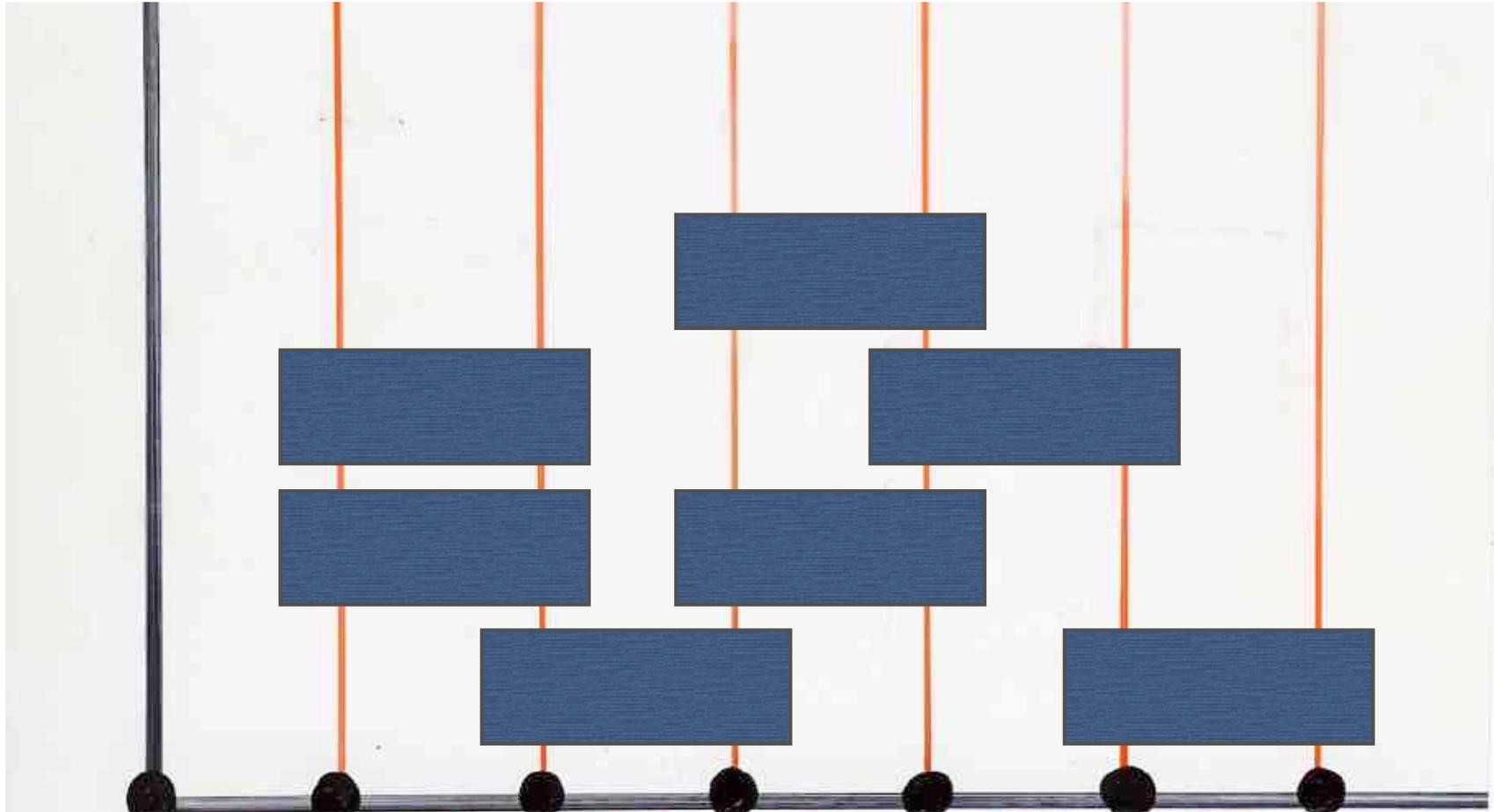
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lattice





heap of dimers

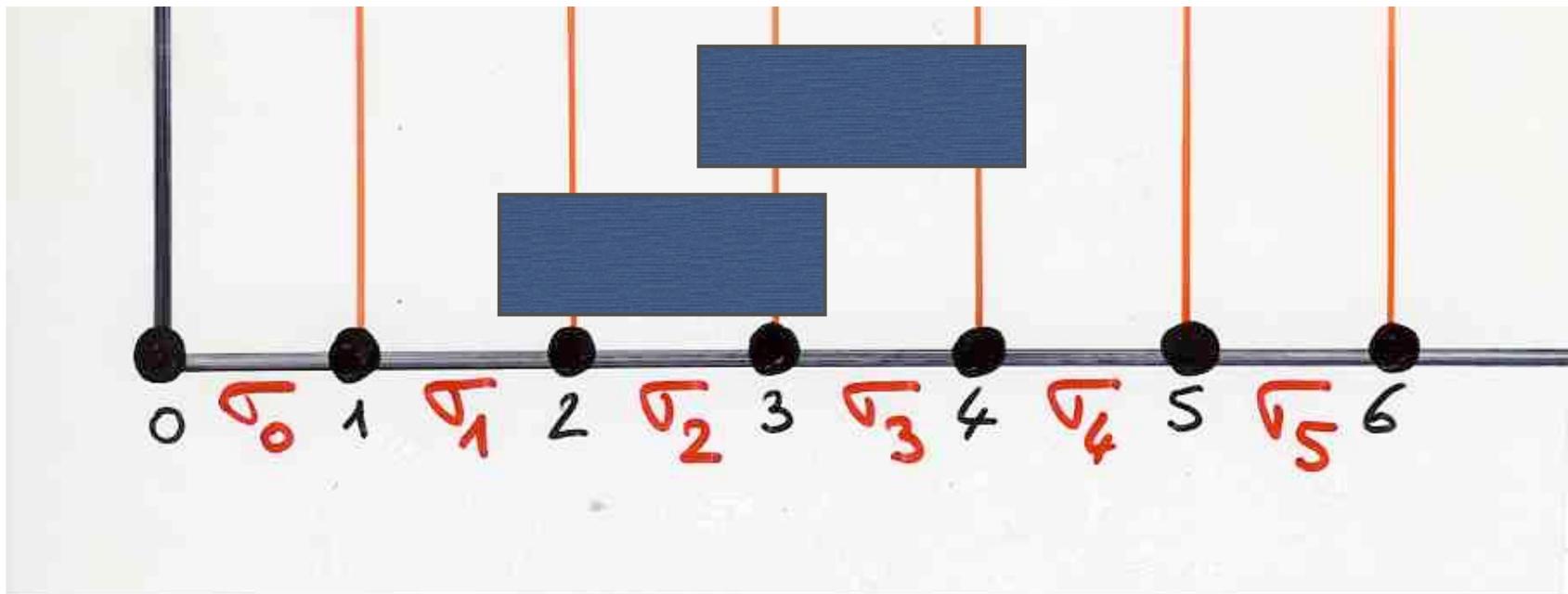
ex: heaps of dimers on \mathbb{N}

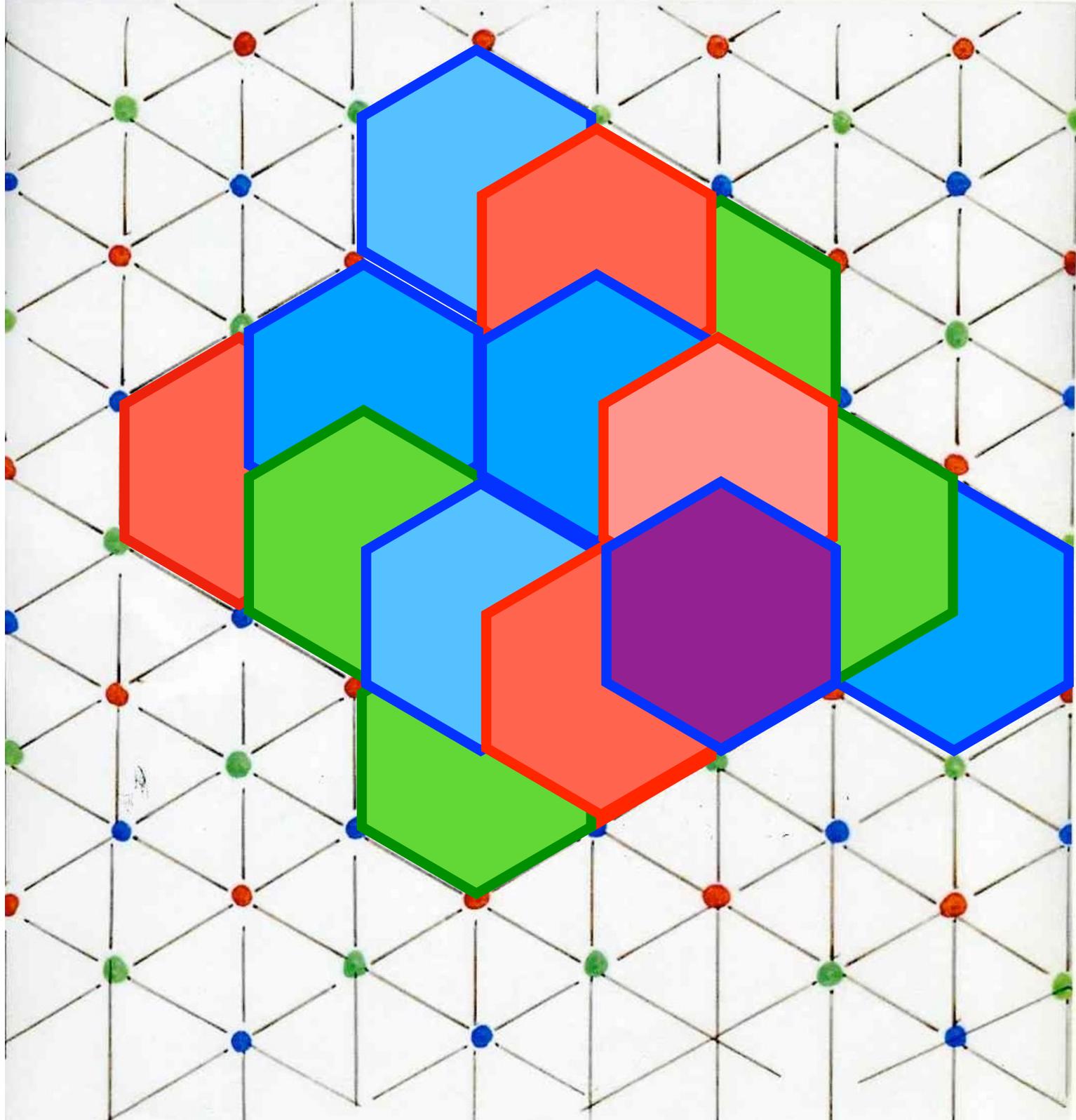
$\mathcal{P} = \{ [i, i+1] = \sigma_i, i \geq 0 \}$ set of basic pieces

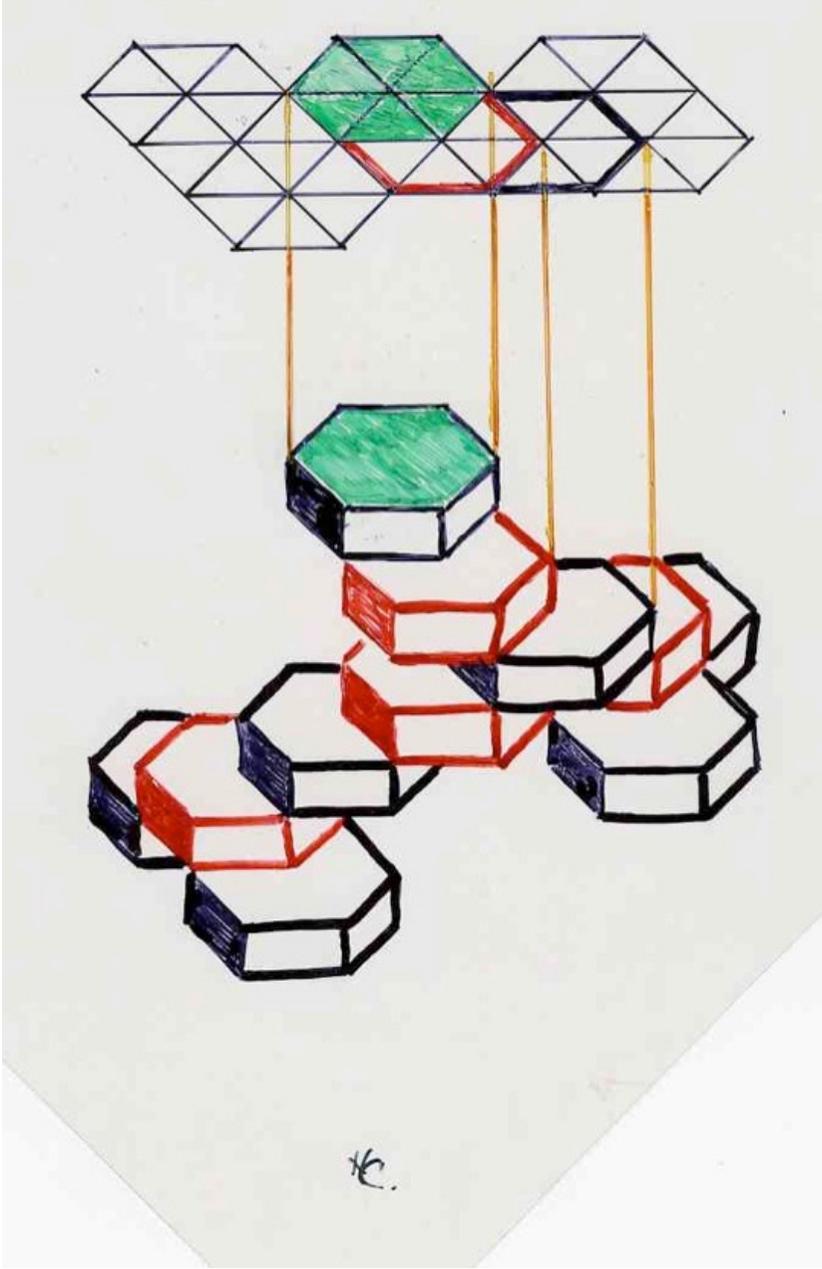
\mathcal{E}

dependency relation

$$\sigma_i \cap \sigma_j \neq \emptyset$$







arXiv

● T. Helmuth, A. Shapira

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- *Loop-erased random walk as a spin system observable,*

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- E. Bagno, R. Biagioli, F. Joubert, Y. Roichman
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- J. Cigler, C. Krattenthaler
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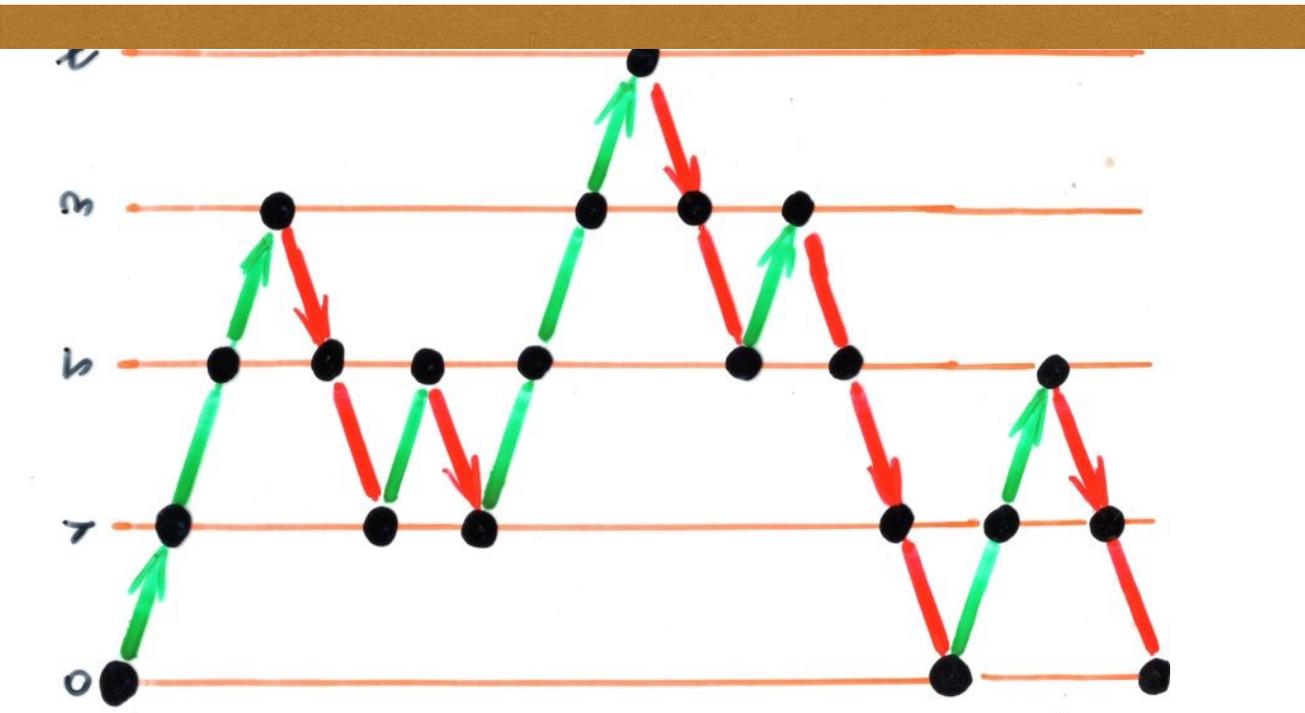
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Reciprocity



Dyck

path

$$C_{2n}^{(k)}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} C_{2n}^{(k)} t^{2n}$$

Rational

$$(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$$

Rational

$$|a_n|_{n < 0}$$

combinatorial
meaning?

combinatorial
"reciprocity law"

E. Ehrhart

(1959, 1967, 68, 1973)

$$f(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n t^n$$

R. Stanley (1974)

$$-f(1/t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} a_{-n} t^n$$

book

Beck - Sanyal (2018)

Math Overflow

Johann Cigler

26 Sept 2020
28 Sept

$$c_{-2n}^{(2k+1)} = \det \left(c_{2n+2i+2j+2}^{(2k+1)} \right)_{0 \leq i, j \leq k-1}$$

alternating sequence

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \geq a_{2n-1}$$

R. Stanley

S. Hopkins

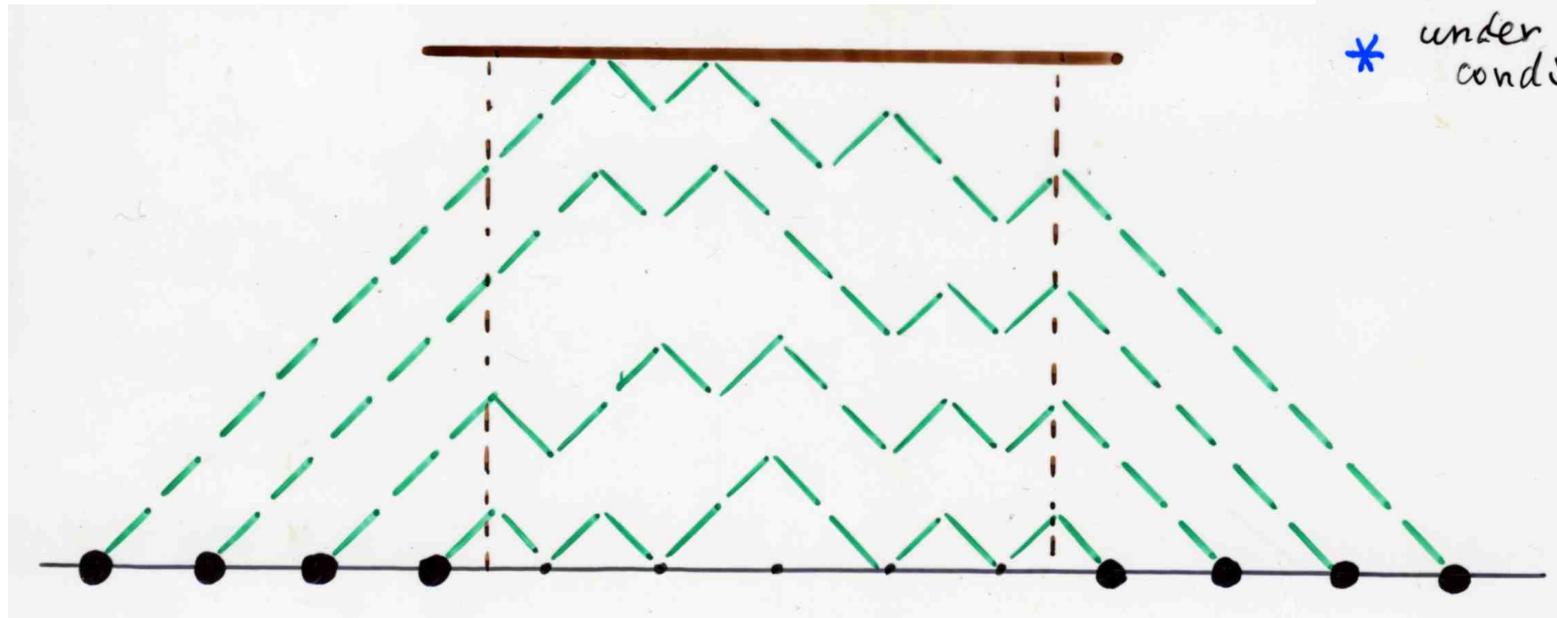
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Hankel determinants

"LGV Lemma"

determinant $\stackrel{*}{=}$

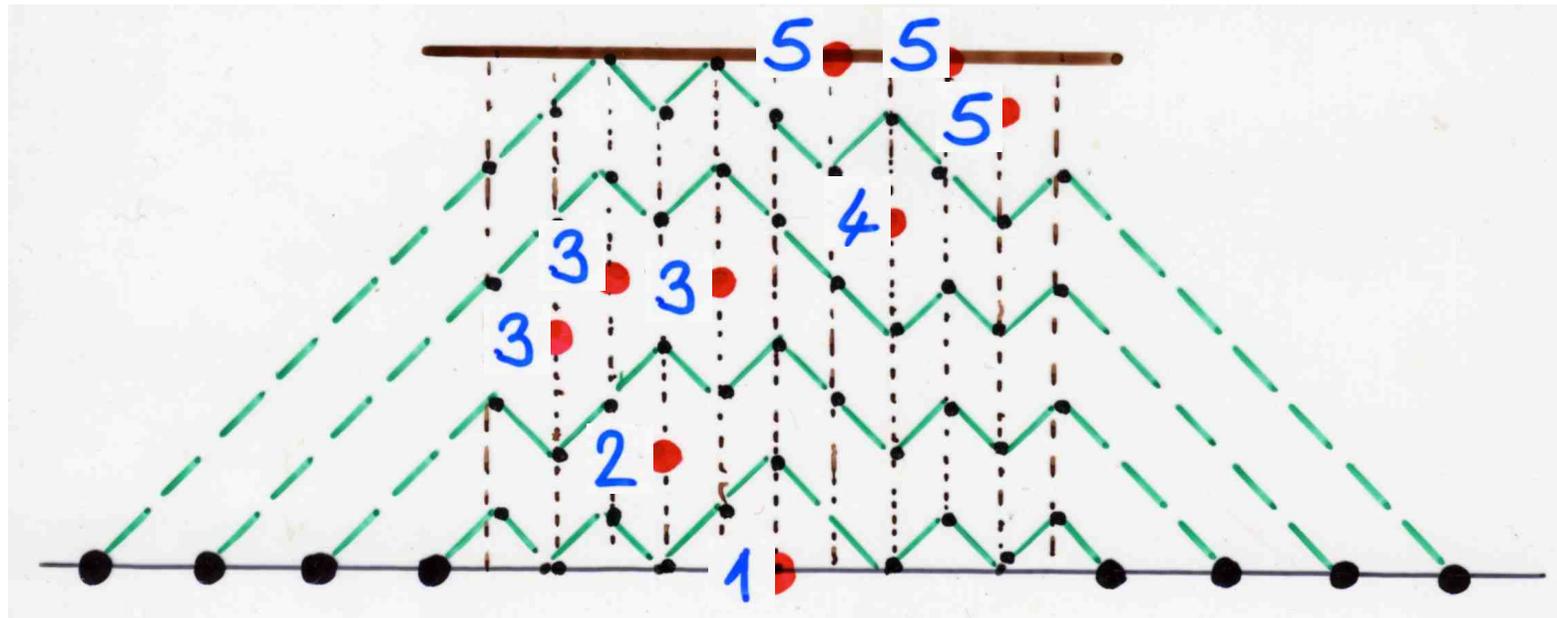
non-intersecting
paths



* under certain conditions

Hankel
determinant

$$\det \left(\binom{2k+1}{2n+2i+2j+2} \right)_{0 \leq i, j \leq k-1}$$



$$3 \leq 3 \geq 2 \leq 3 \geq 1 \leq 5 \geq 4 \leq 5 \geq 5$$

alternating sequence

$$1 \leq a_i \leq k$$

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \geq a_{2n-1}$$

?

=

$$\left| A_{2n}^{(k)} \right|$$

$$1 \leq a_i \leq k$$

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \leq a_{2n}$$

$$C_{-2n}^{(2k-1)}$$

=

$$\left| A_{2n-1}^{(k)} \right|$$

alternating sequence

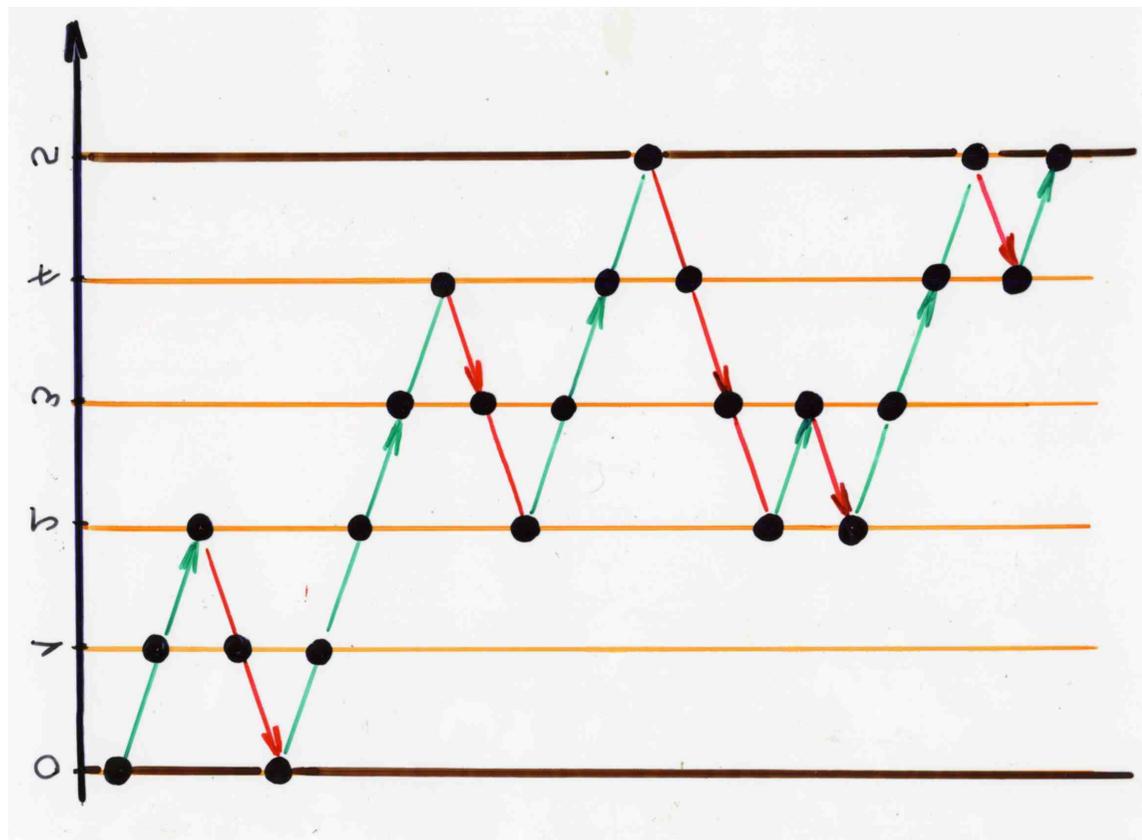
$$1 \leq a_i \leq k$$

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \geq a_{2n-1}$$

$$(-1)^{k+1} D_{-2n-2k}^{(2k-1)}$$

=

$$\left| A_{2n}^{(k)} \right|$$



$$D_{2n}^{(k)} = C_{2n+k}^{(k)} (0 \rightarrow k)$$

About the « LGV Lemma »

See the video-book « ABjC »: *The Art of Bijective Combinatorics*,
Part I, *An introduction to enumerative, algebraic and bijective combinatorics*

IMSc, Chennai, 2016, Chapter 5a, pp 3-28

www.viennot.org/abjc1-ch5.html

About Hankel determinants

See the video-book « ABjC », Part IV, *Combinatorial theory of
orthogonal polynomials and continued fractions*

IMSc, Chennai, 2019, Chapter 4a, pp 39-56, pp 61-70

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generating function

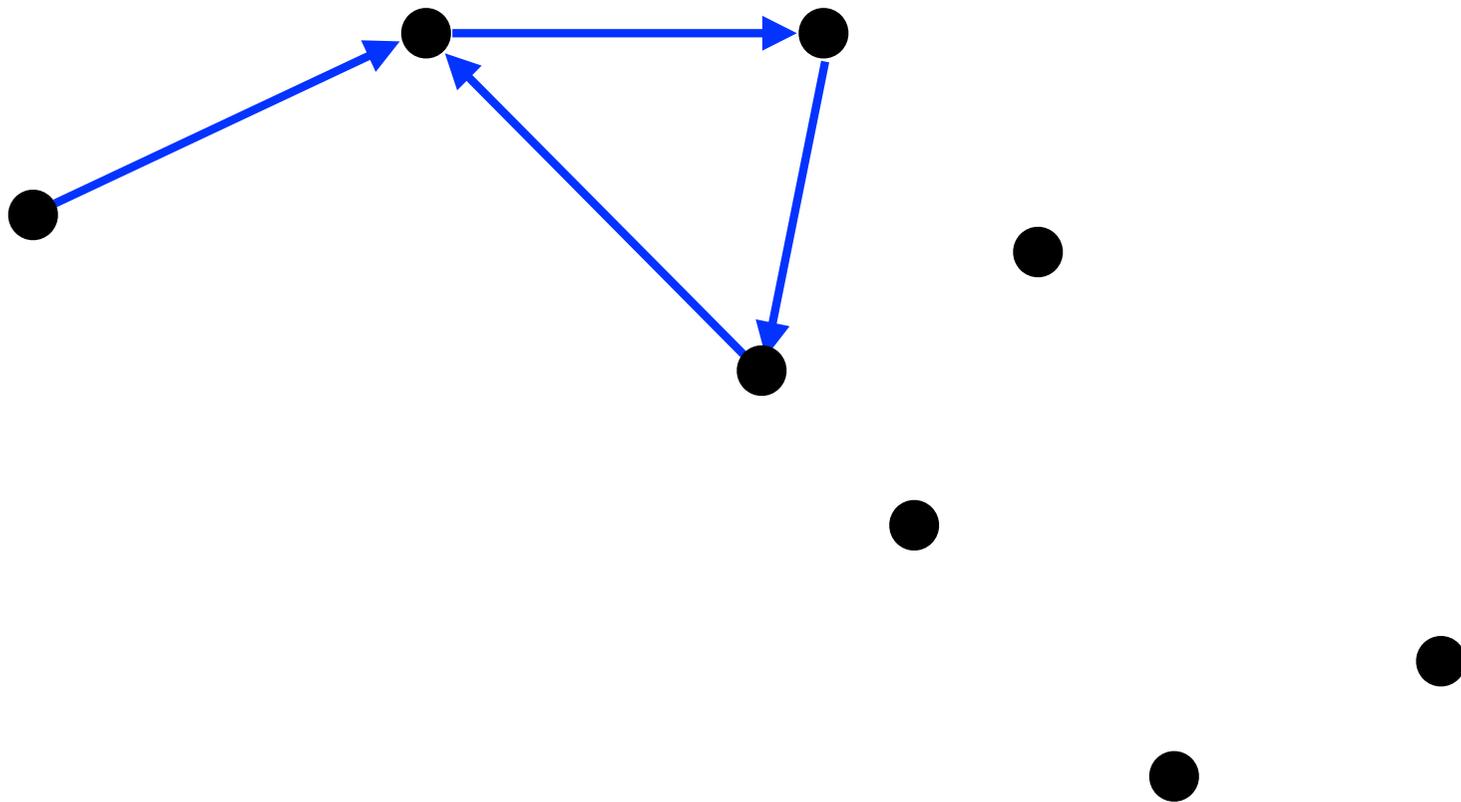
for bounded Dyck paths

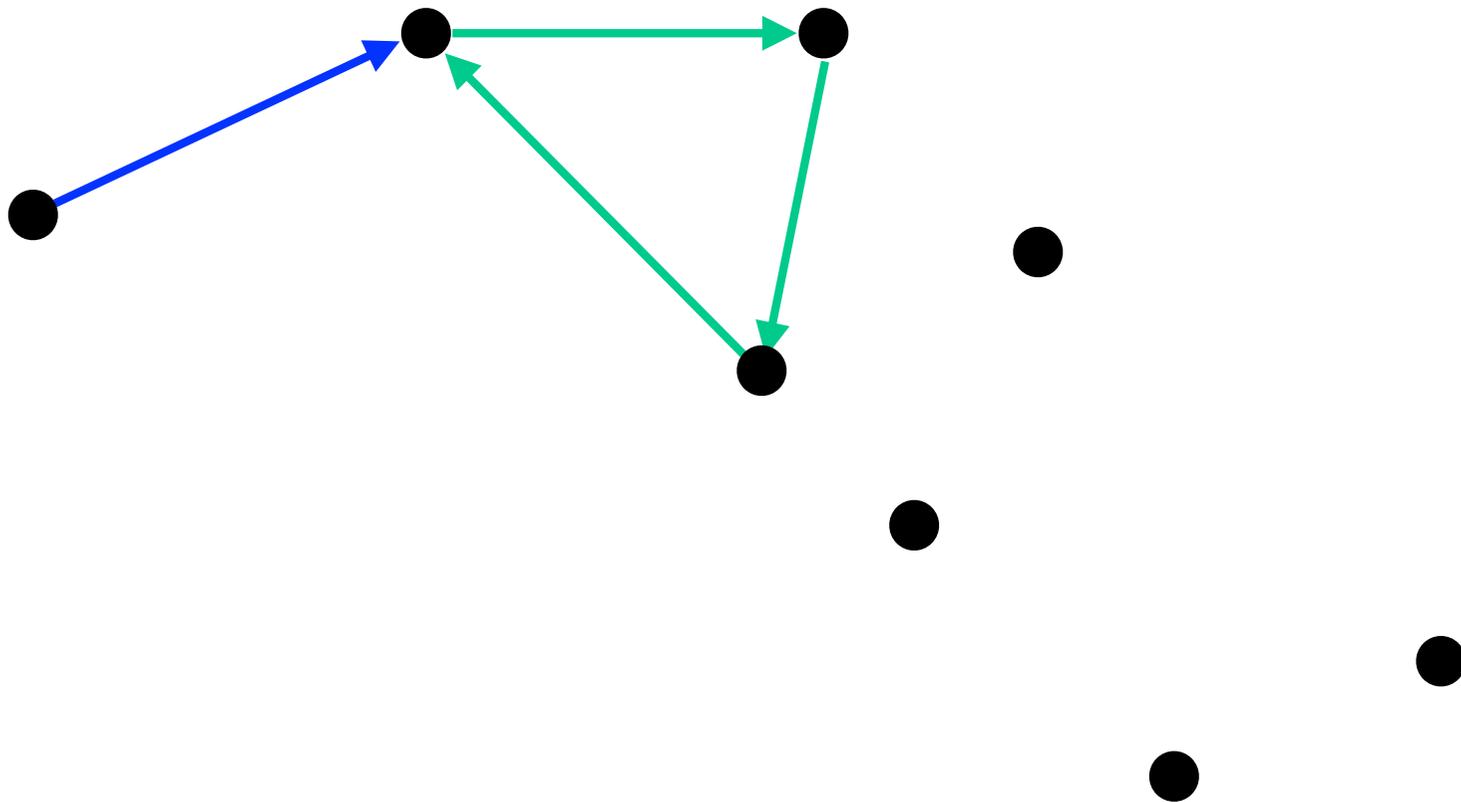
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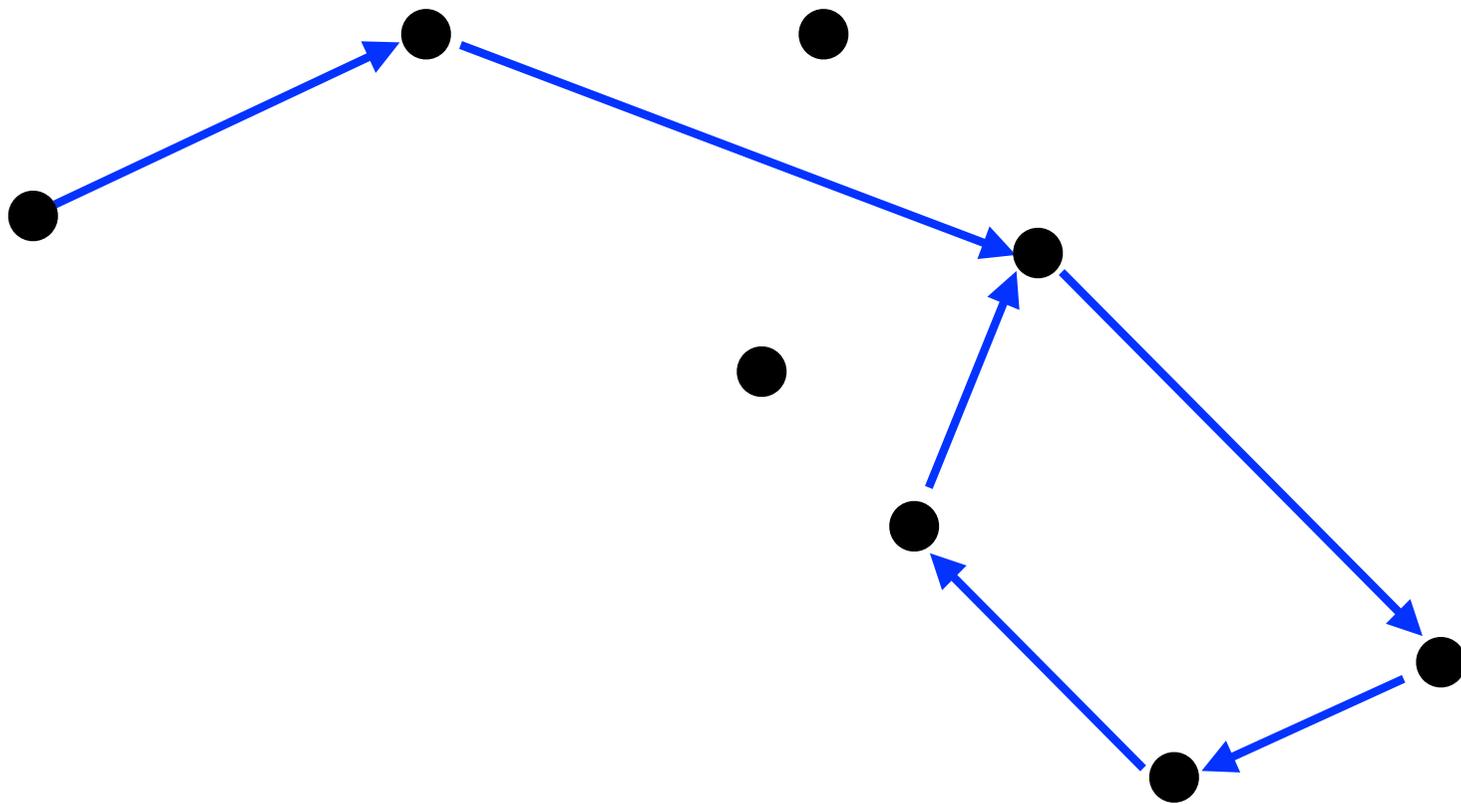
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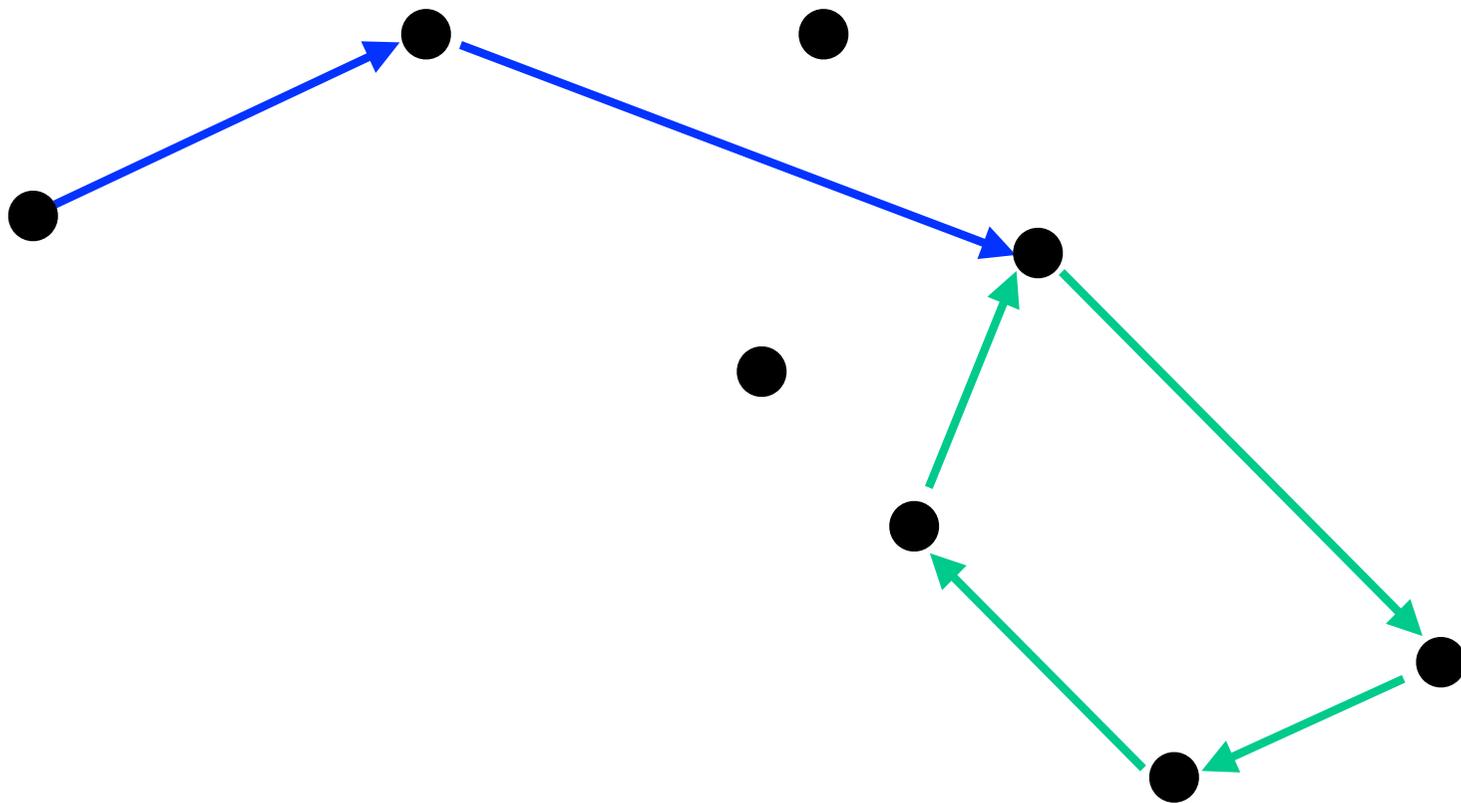
LERW

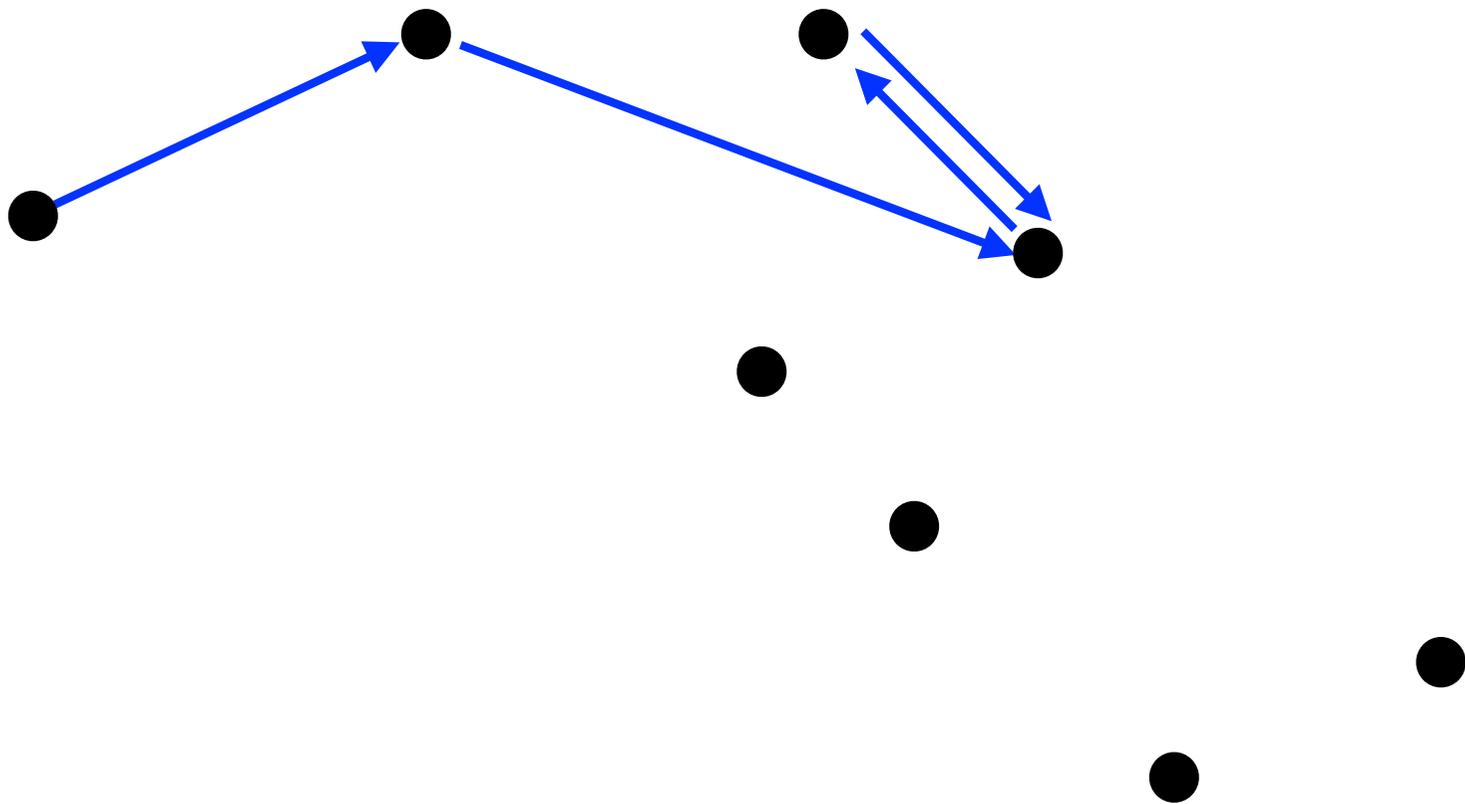
Loop erased random walk

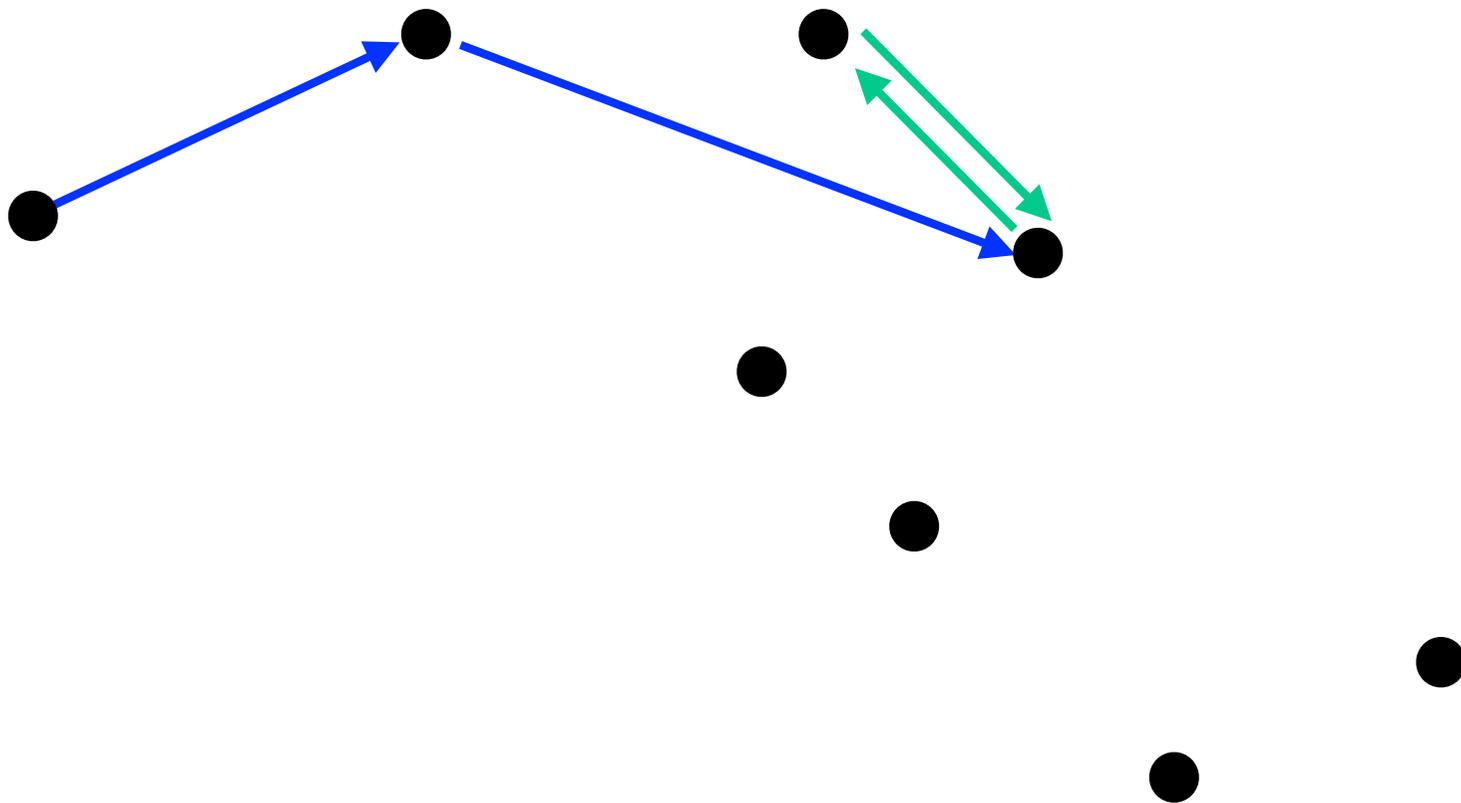


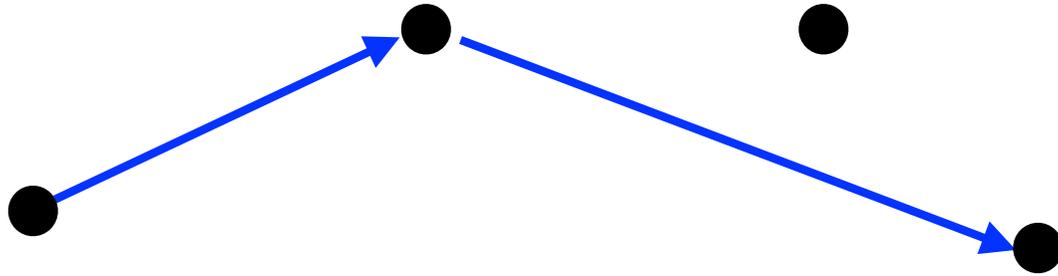






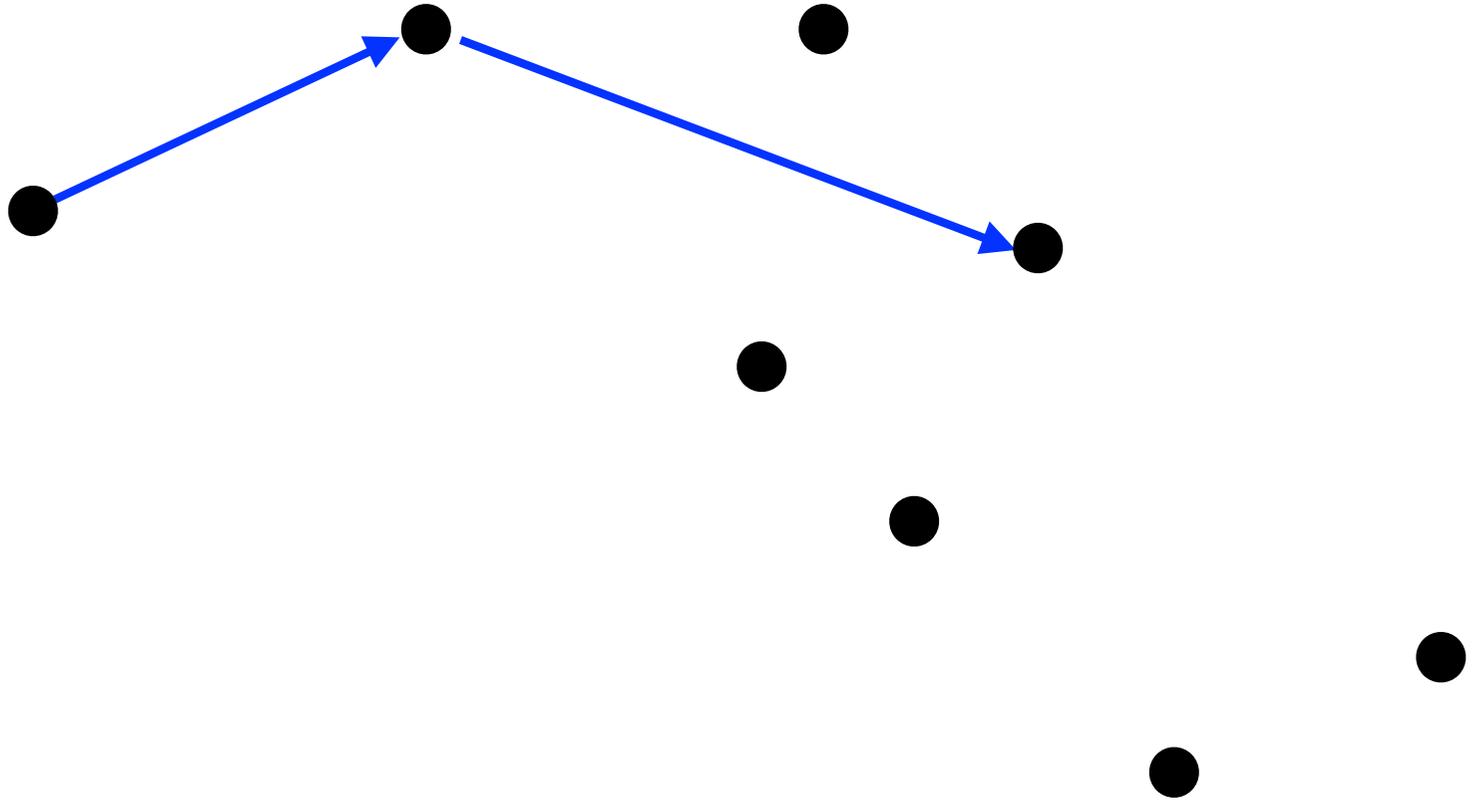


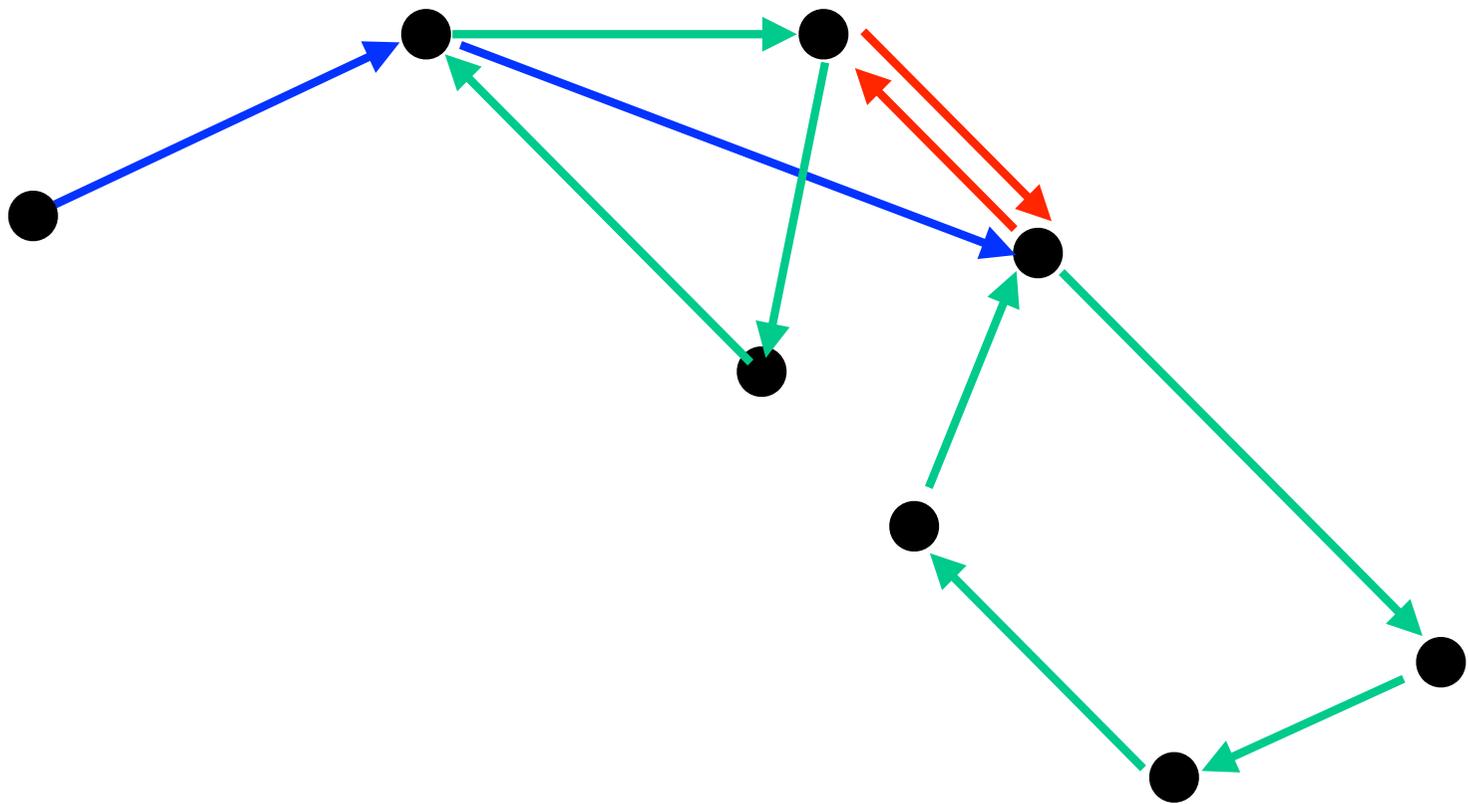




path ω
 $u \rightsquigarrow v$ \rightarrow self-avoiding
path ω
 $u \rightsquigarrow v$

the bijection paths — heaps





$$\omega \rightarrow (\eta; (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n))$$

self-avoiding
path
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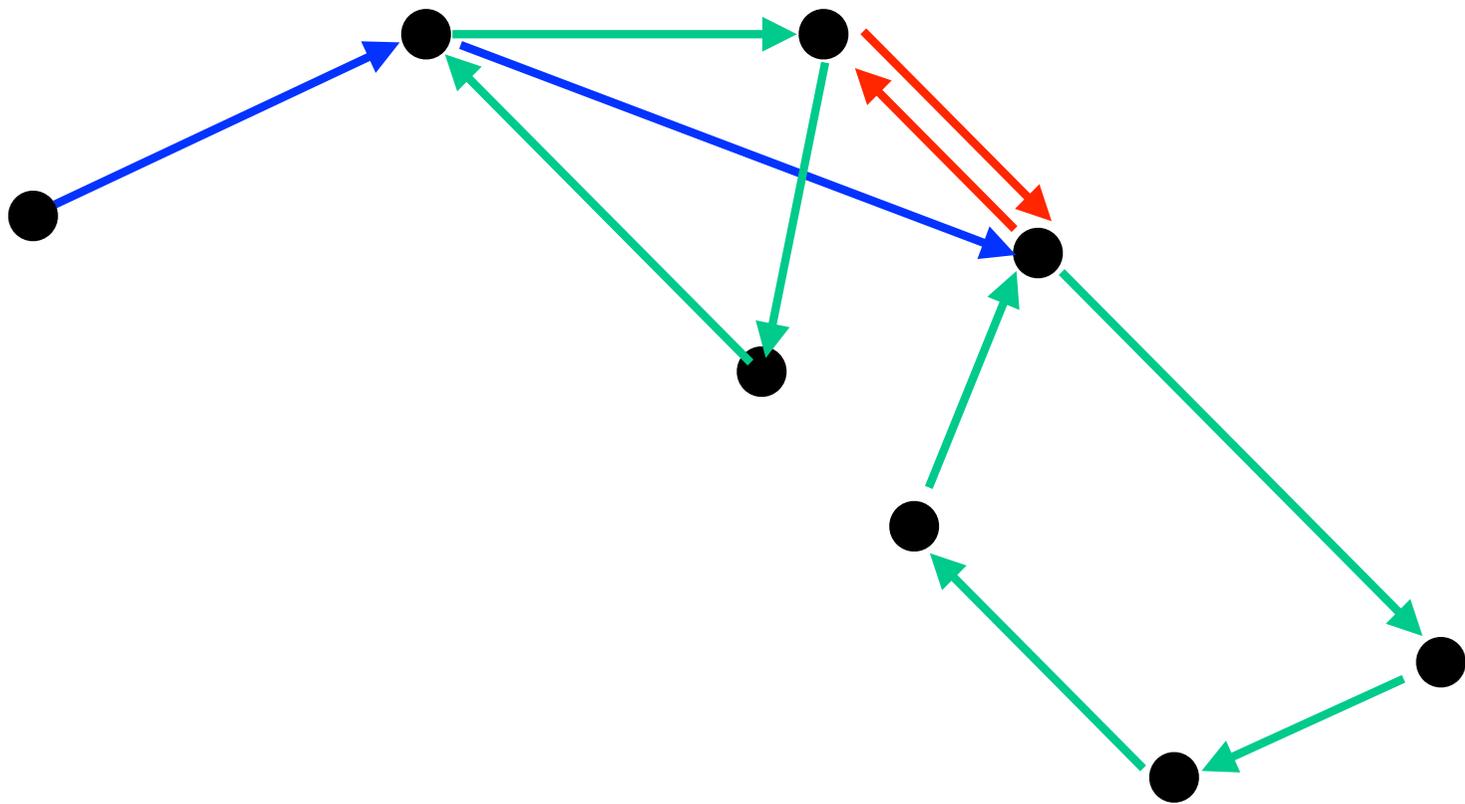
sequence of
pointed cycles

from the pair $(\eta; (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n))$
we can reconstruct the path ω

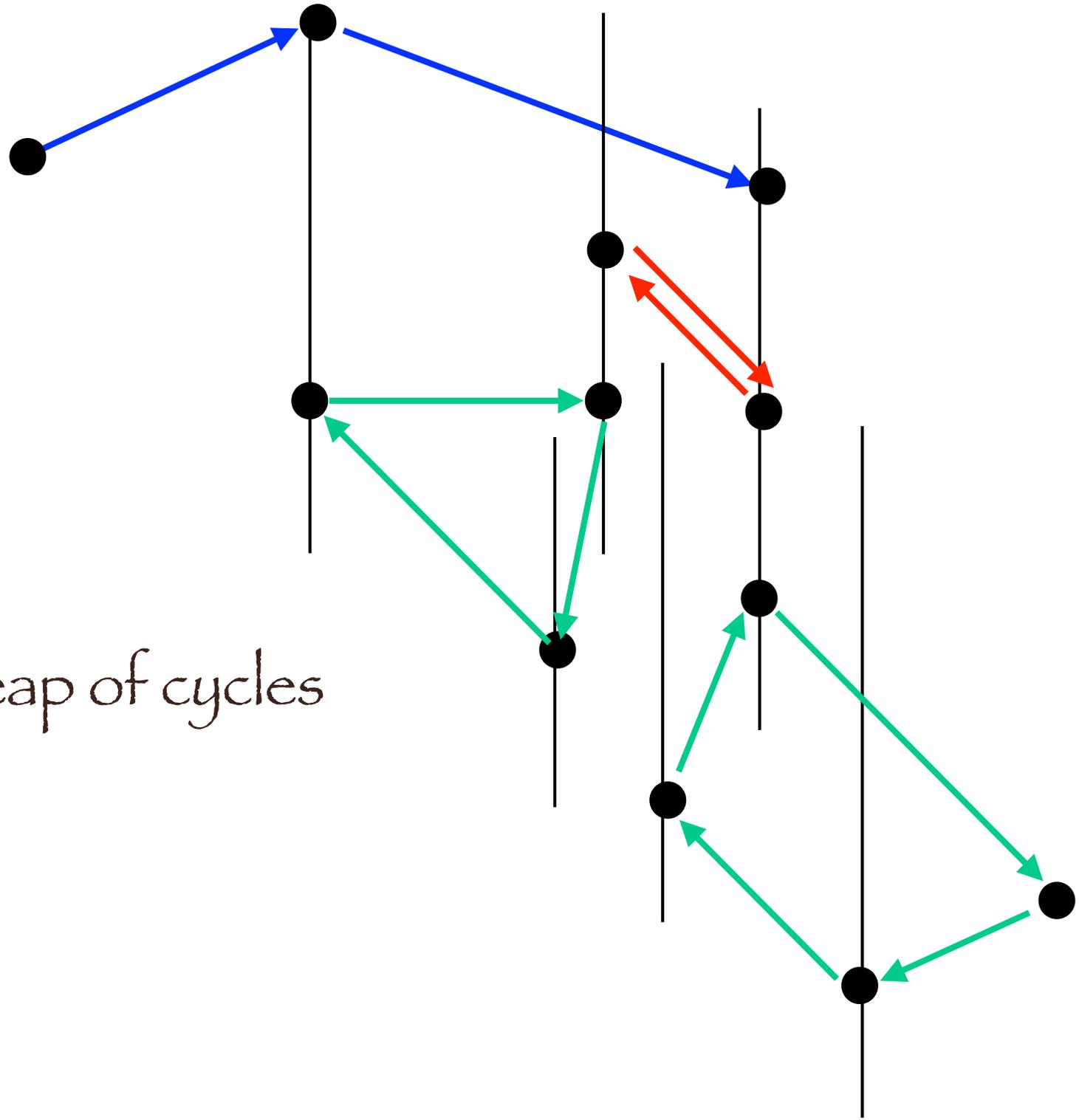
$$(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n) \rightarrow E = \gamma_1 \odot \dots \odot \gamma_n$$

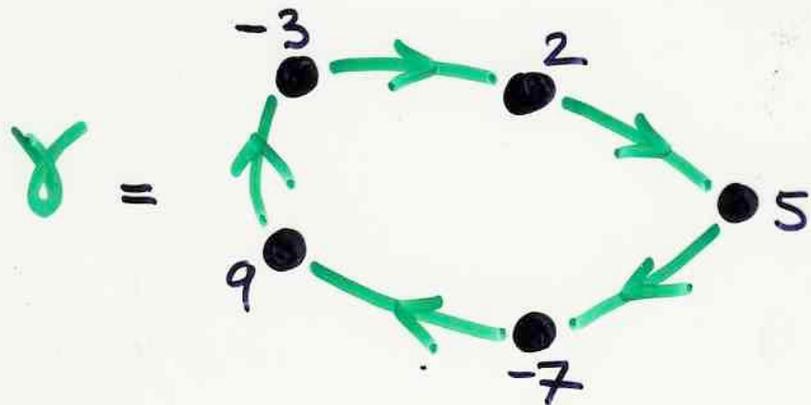
$$\omega \rightarrow (\eta, E)$$

heaps of cycles on X
monoid



Heap of cycles





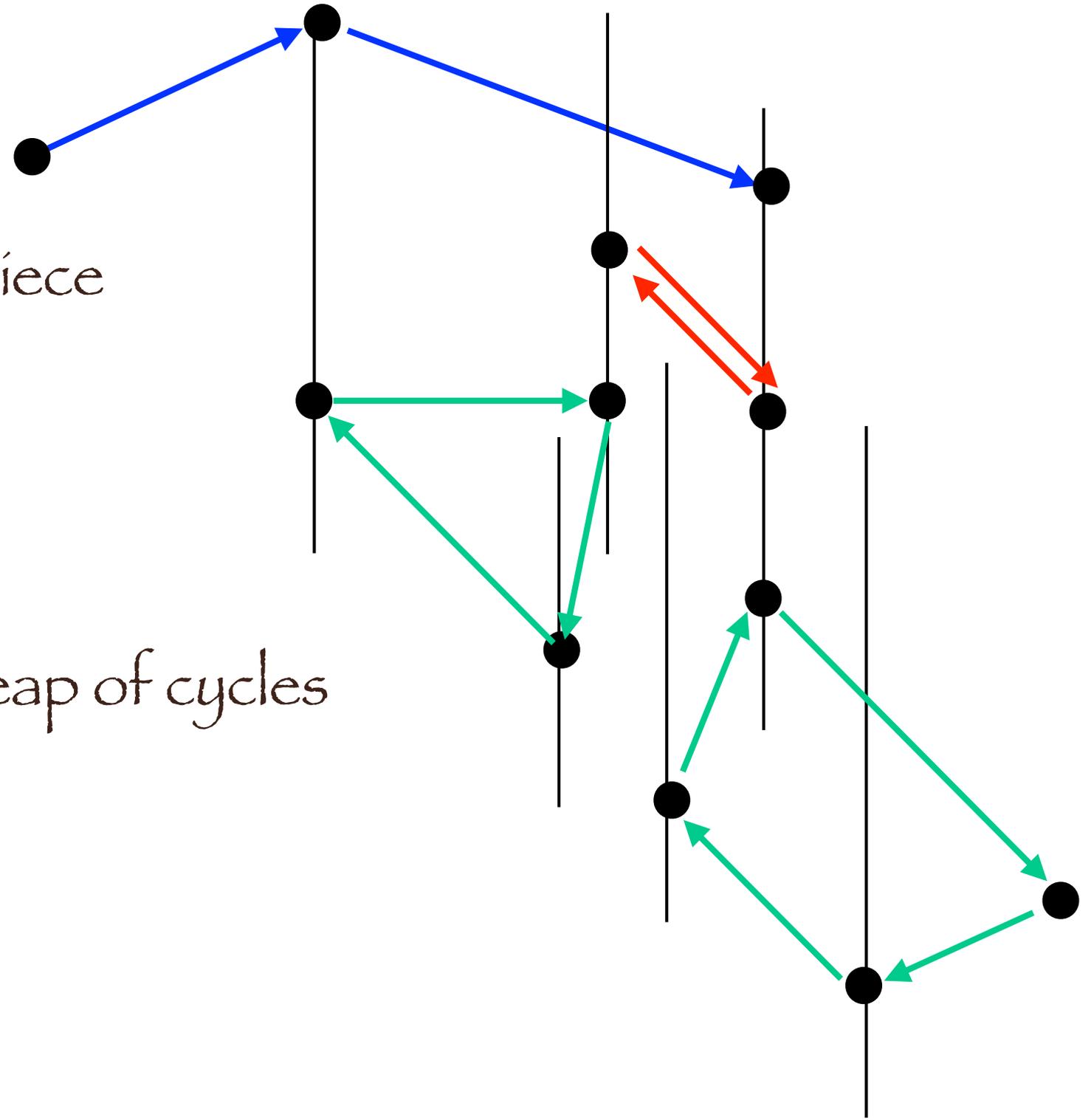
$\text{Supp}(\gamma)$
 $= \{-7, -3, 2, 5, 9\}$
 Support

\mathcal{E} dependency relation

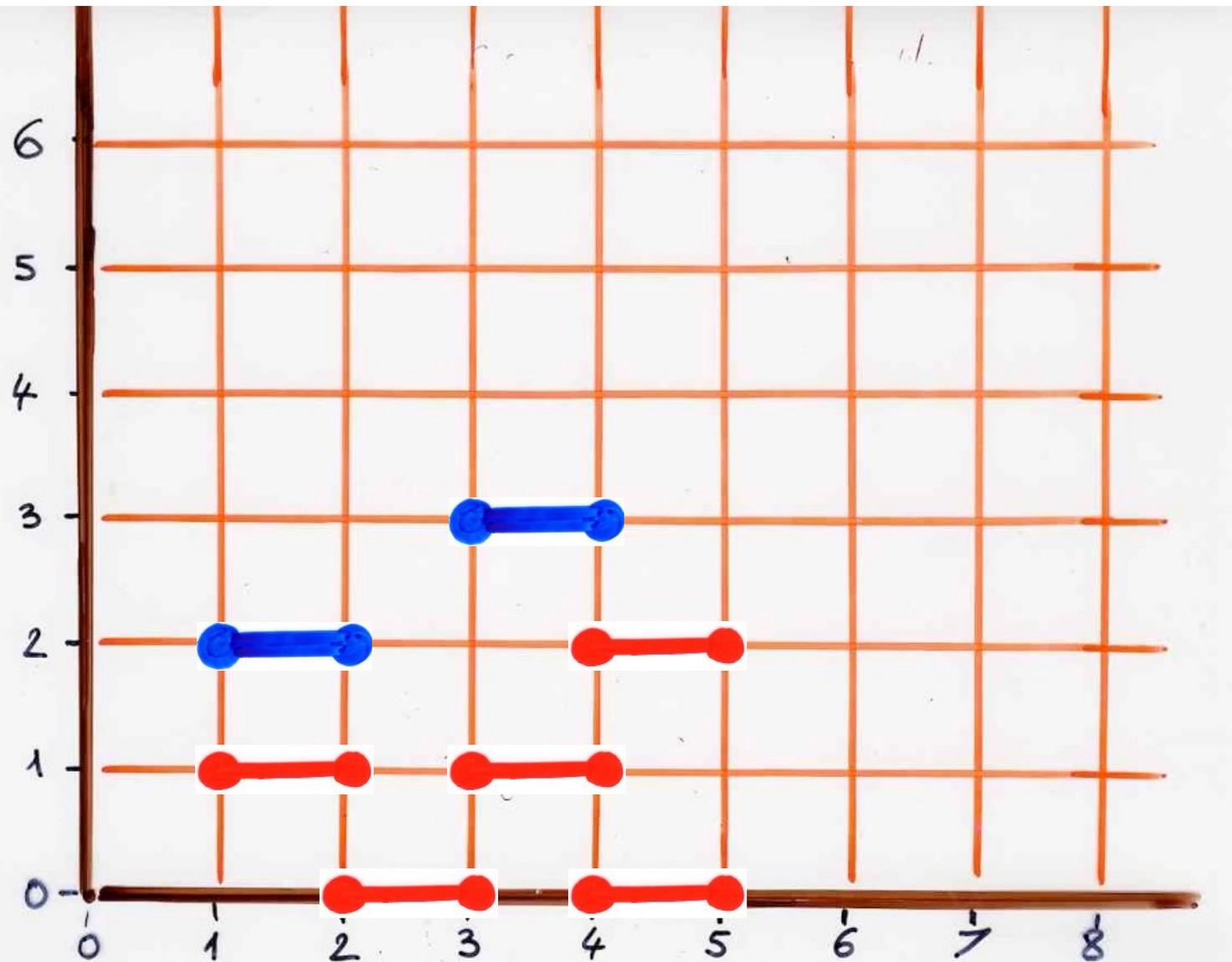
$\gamma \mathcal{E} \delta \iff \text{Supp}(\gamma) \cap \text{Supp}(\delta) \neq \emptyset$

maximal piece

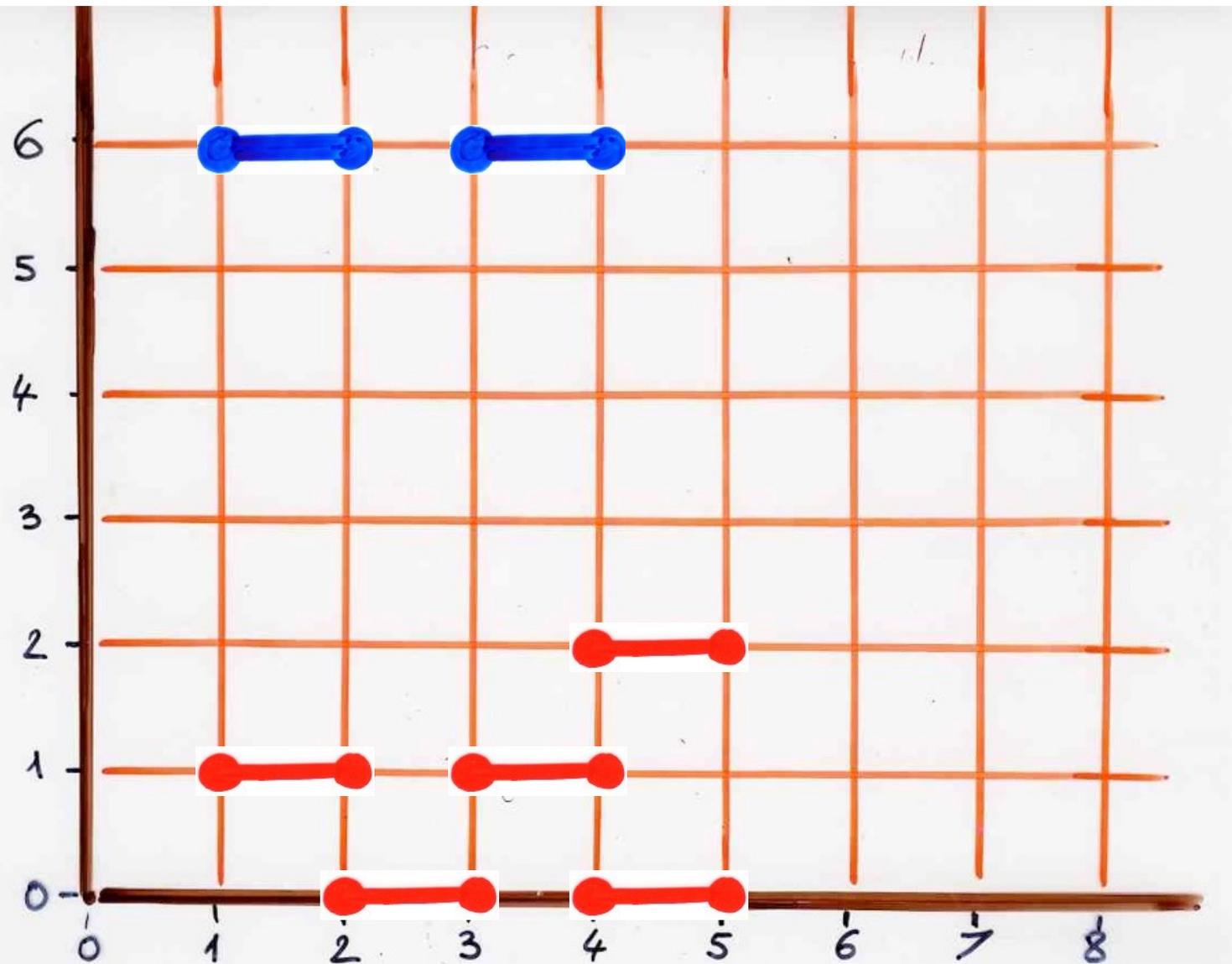
Heap of cycles



maximal pieces



maximal pieces



Bijection

$u, v \in X$

path ω
on X \longleftrightarrow (η, E)

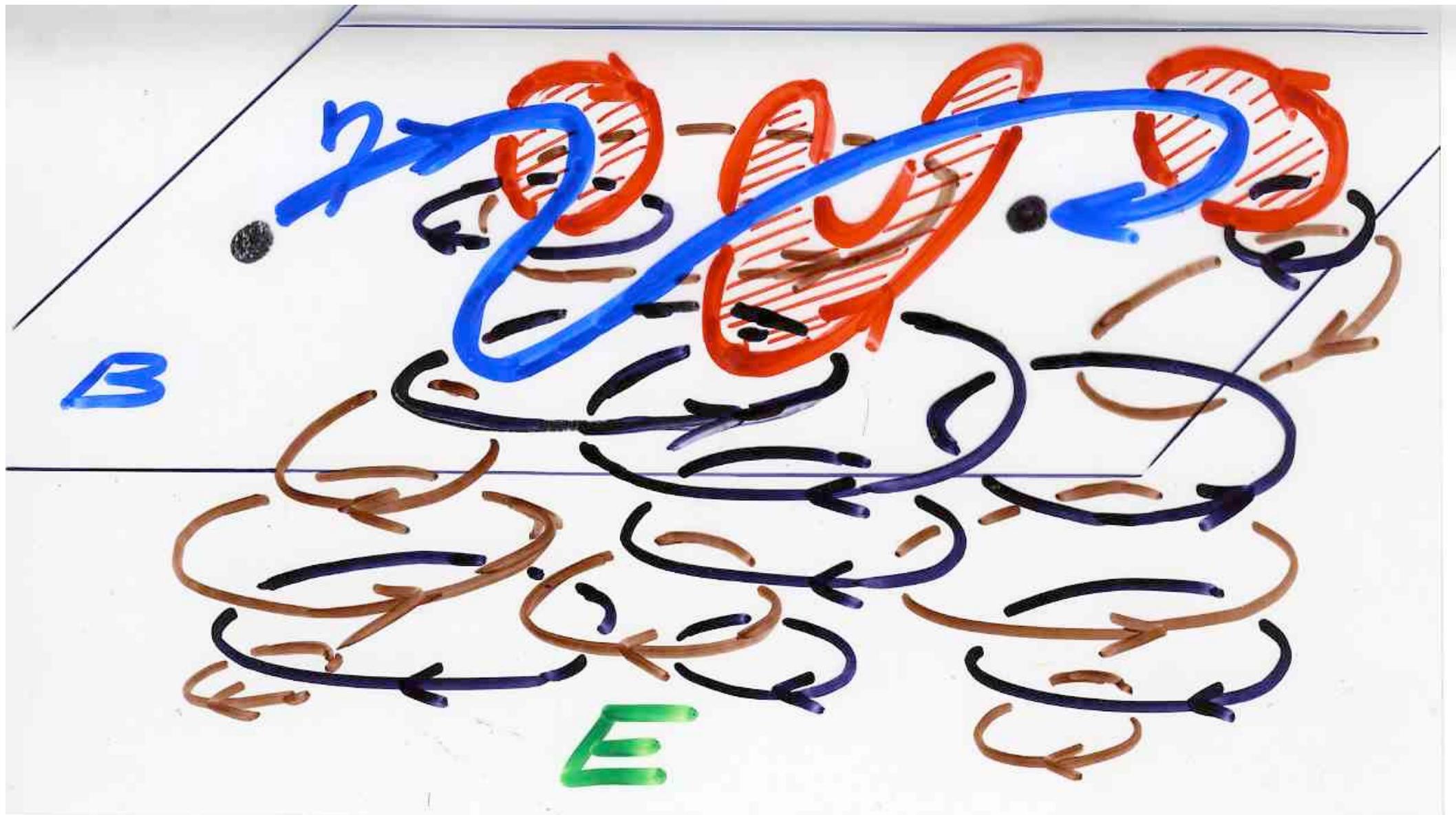
going from u to v

- η self-avoiding path going from u to v

- E heap of cycles such that the projections $\alpha = \pi(m)$ of the maximal pieces intersect η

(α cycle and η path) has a common vertex

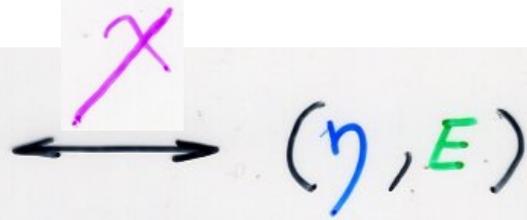
The bijection χ



Bijection

$u, v \in X$

path ω
on X



going from u to v

Weight on the edges of the path

for any $s, t \in X$

the numbers of occurrences of the edge (s, t) in ω and in (η, E) are the same.

$$\Rightarrow v(\omega) = v(\eta)v(E)$$

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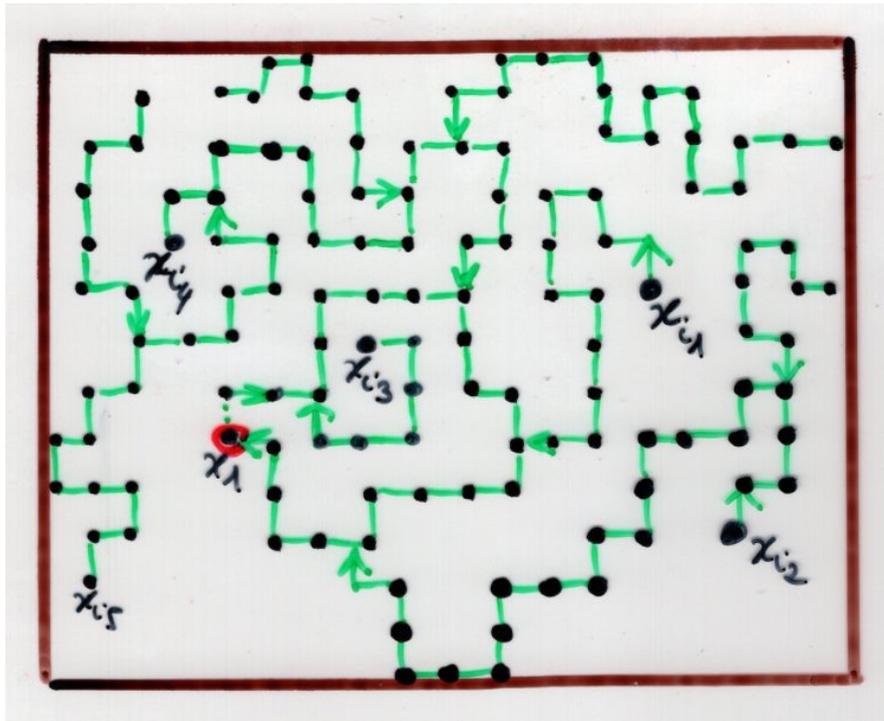
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spanning tree

Wilson's algorithm

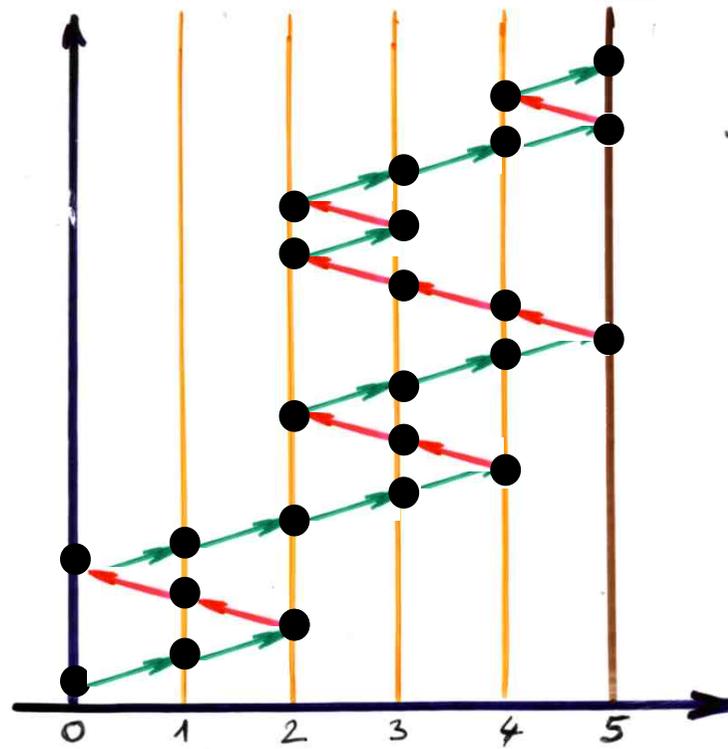
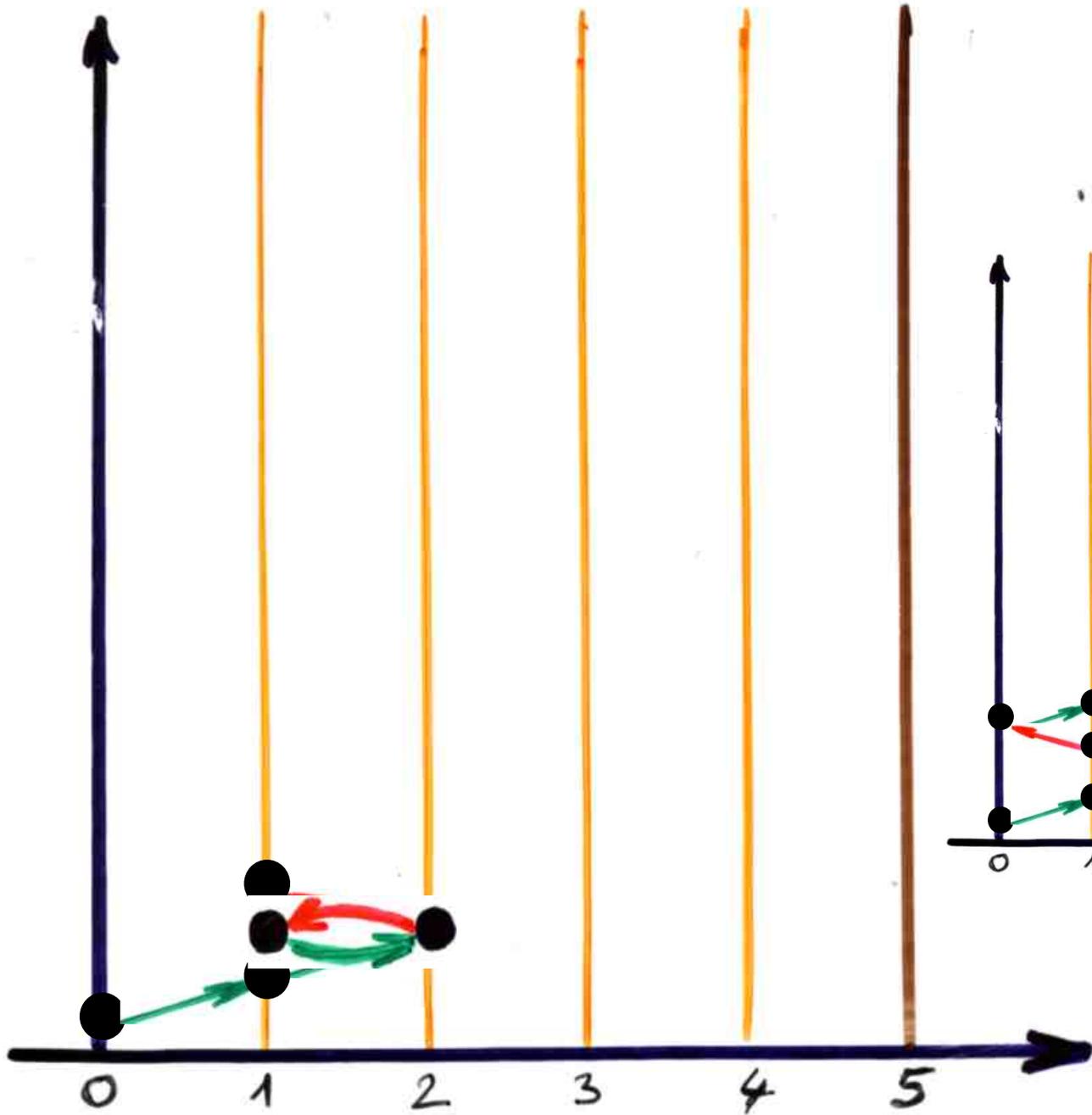
More details in the video-book « ABjC », Part II, *Commutations and heaps of pieces with interactions in physics, mathematics and computer science*

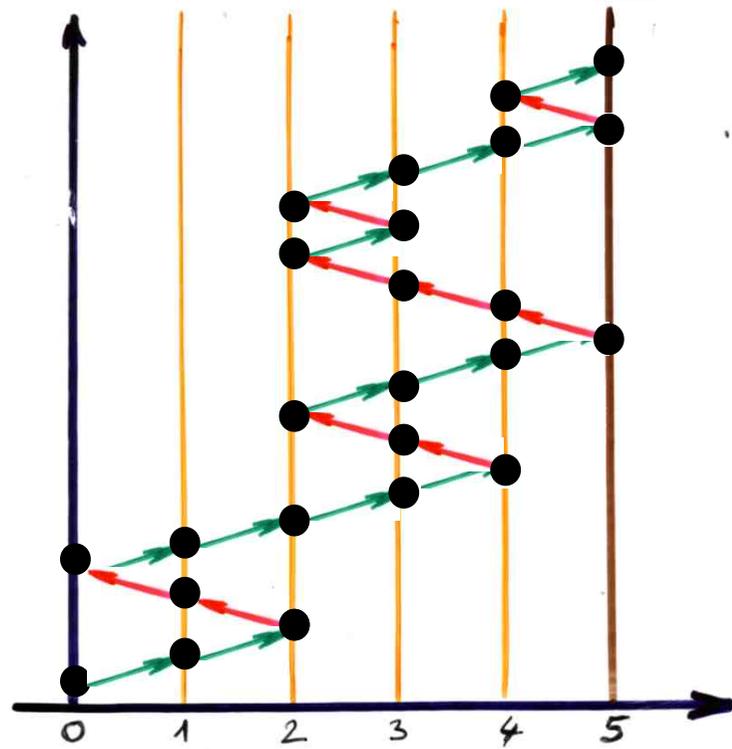
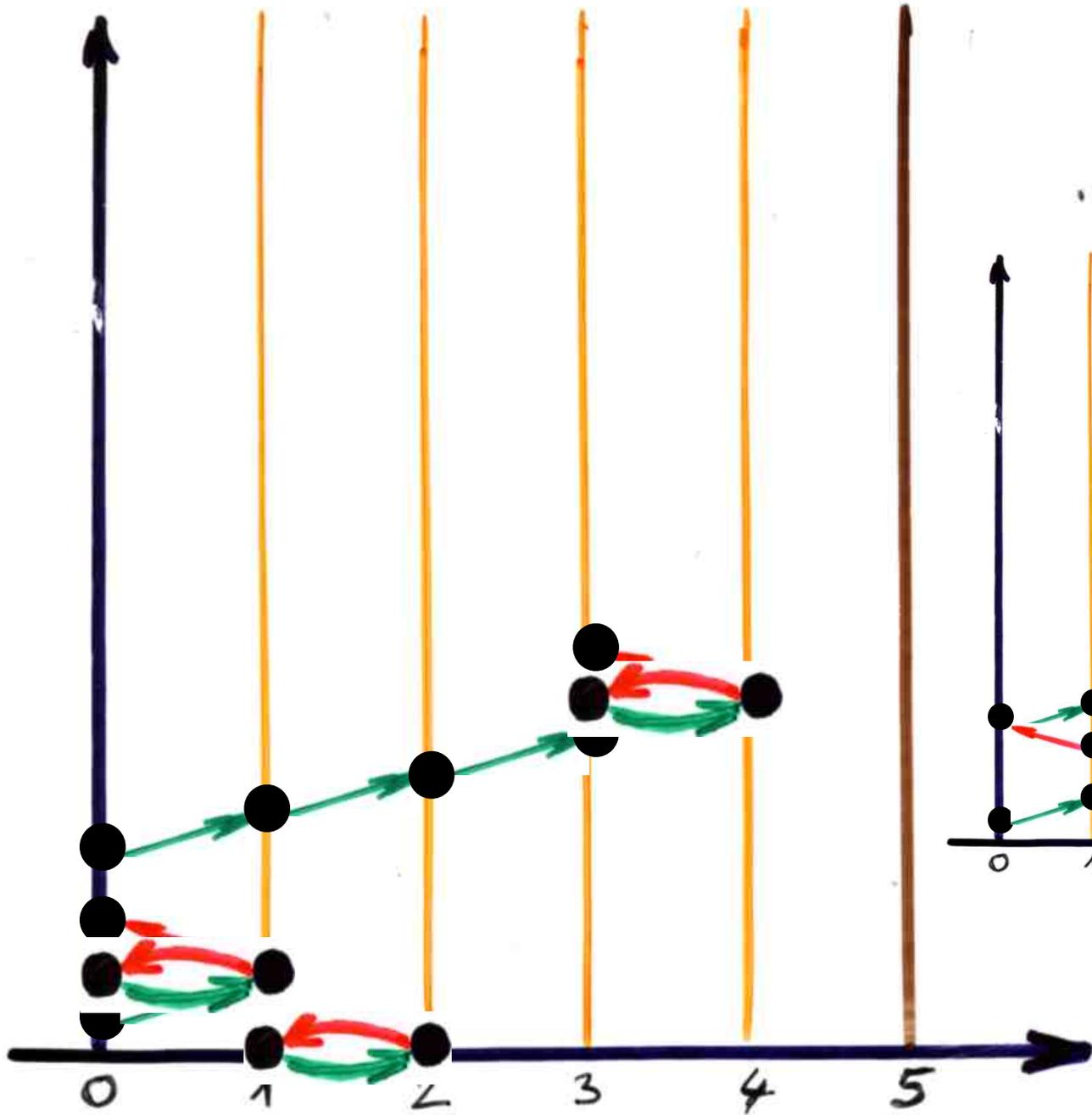
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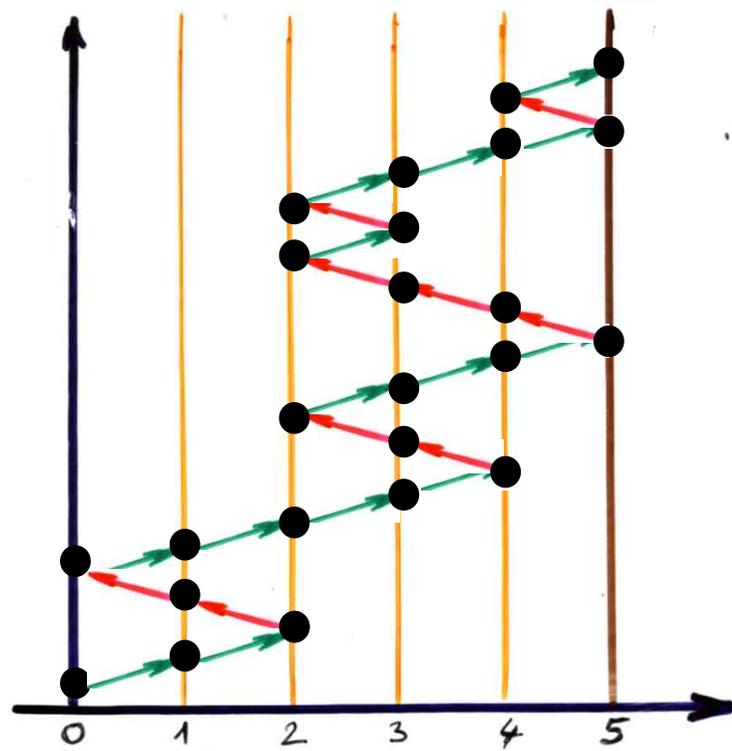
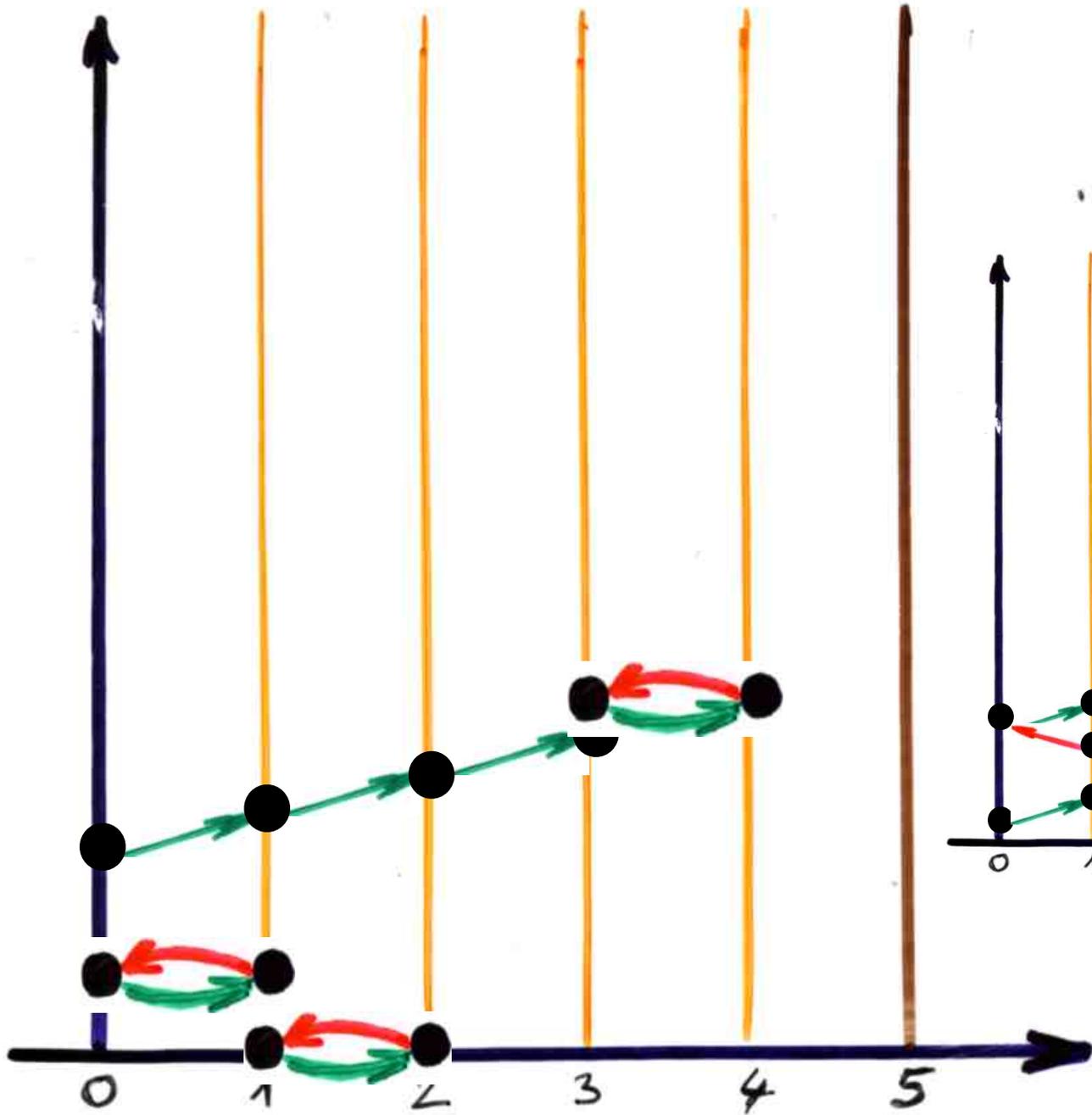
Chapter 3b, www.viennot.org/abjc2-ch3.html

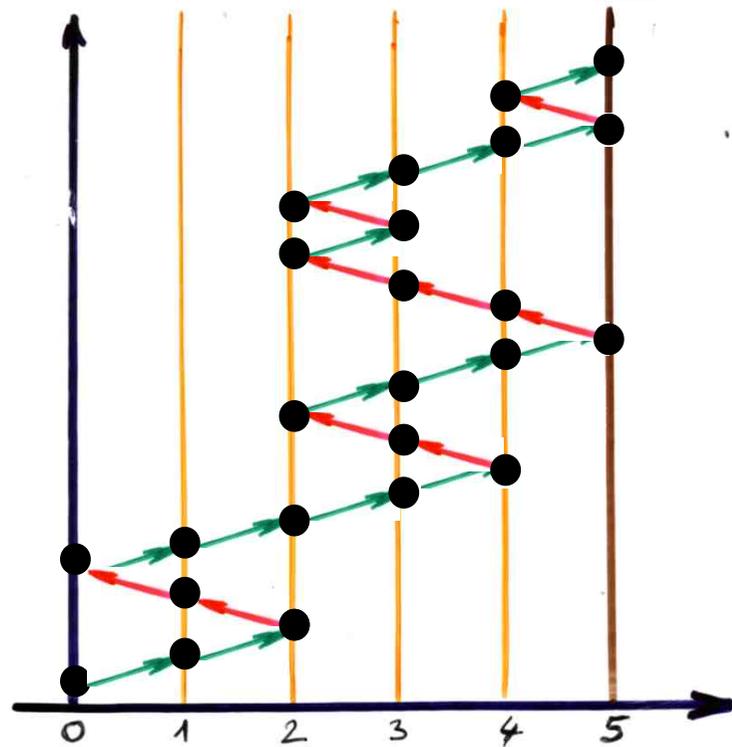
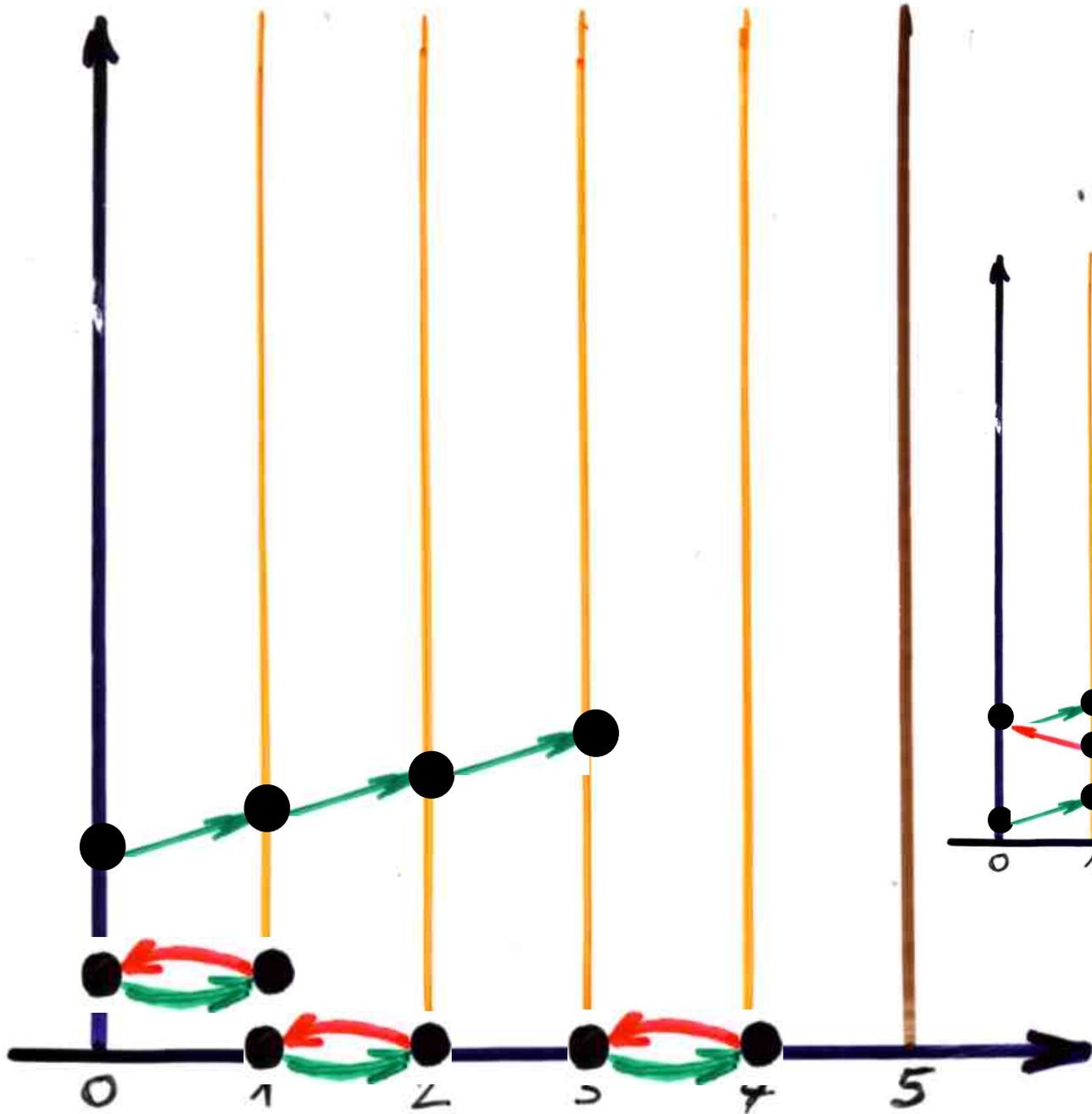
- Description of the bijection paths — heaps, pp 26-39
- LERW, pp 66-72
- Spanning trees, pp 73-79
- Wilson algorithm, pp 80-91 and Chapter 5b, pp 66-79

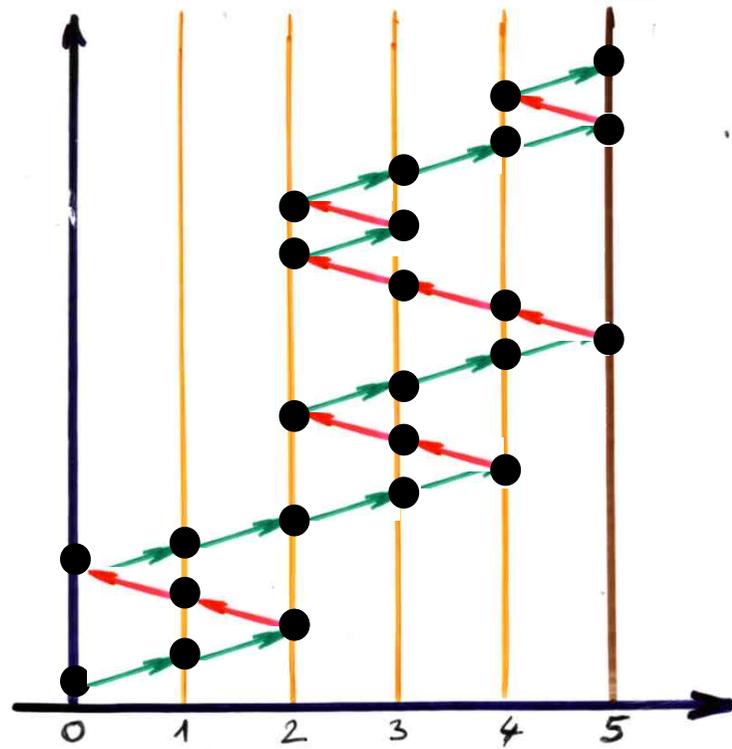
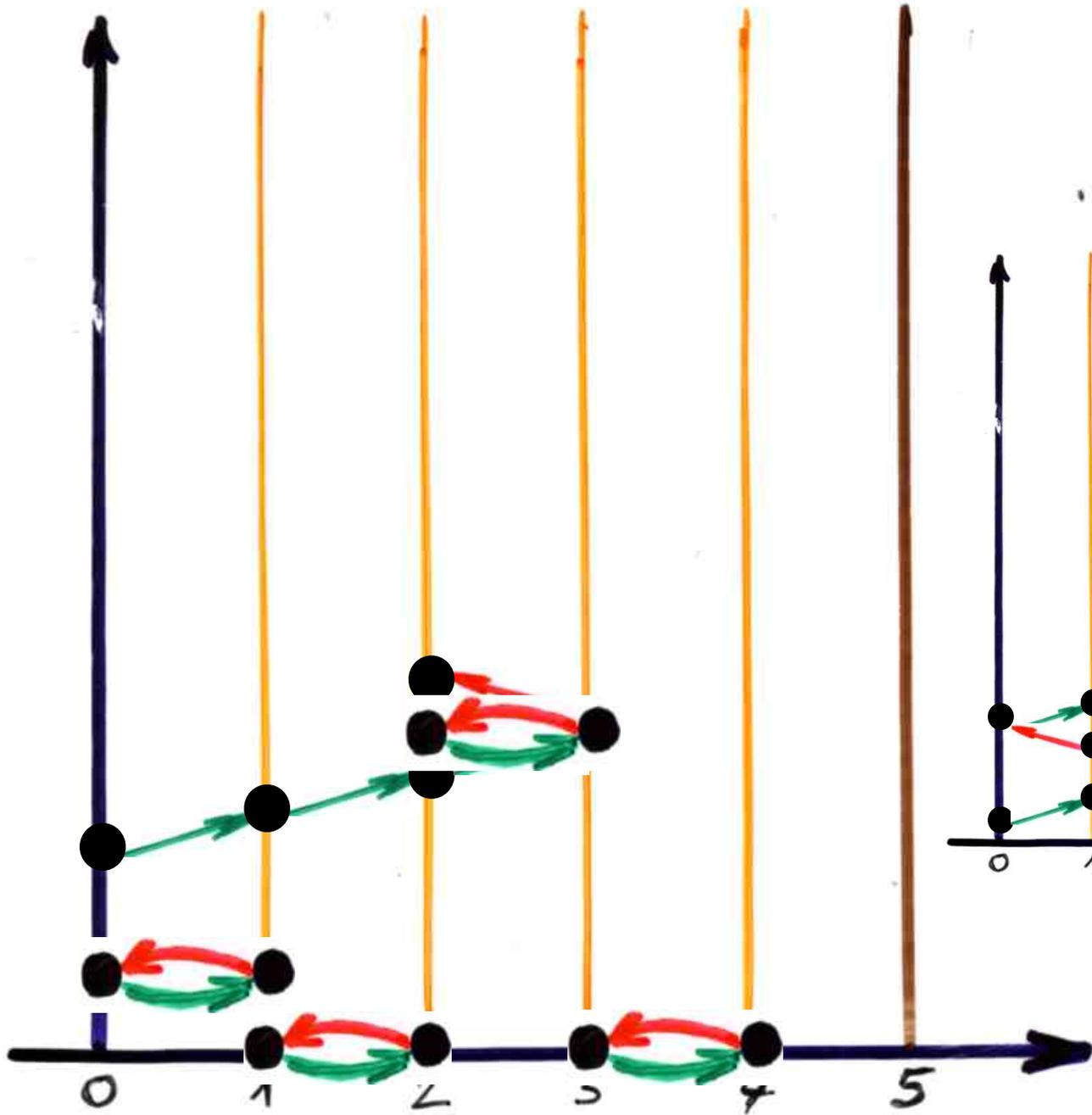
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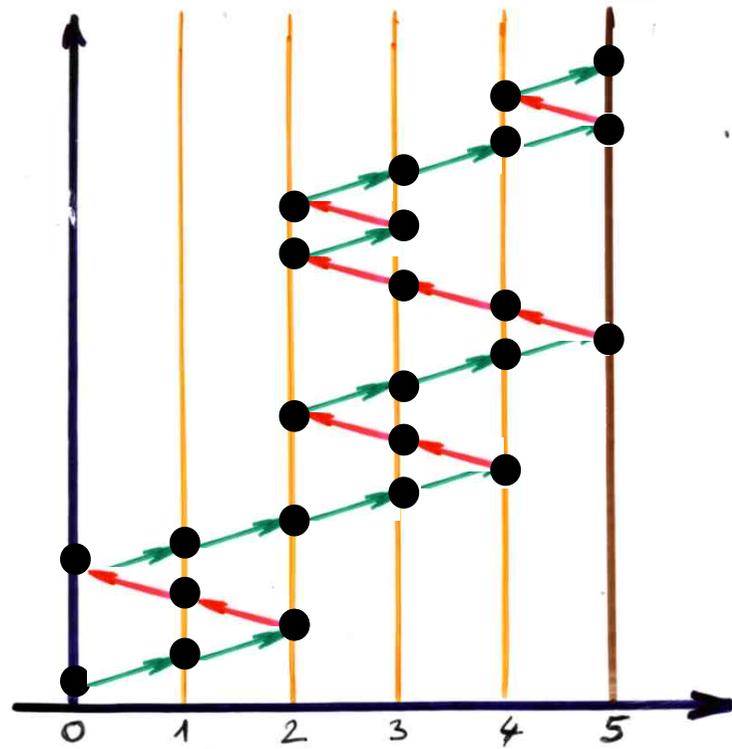
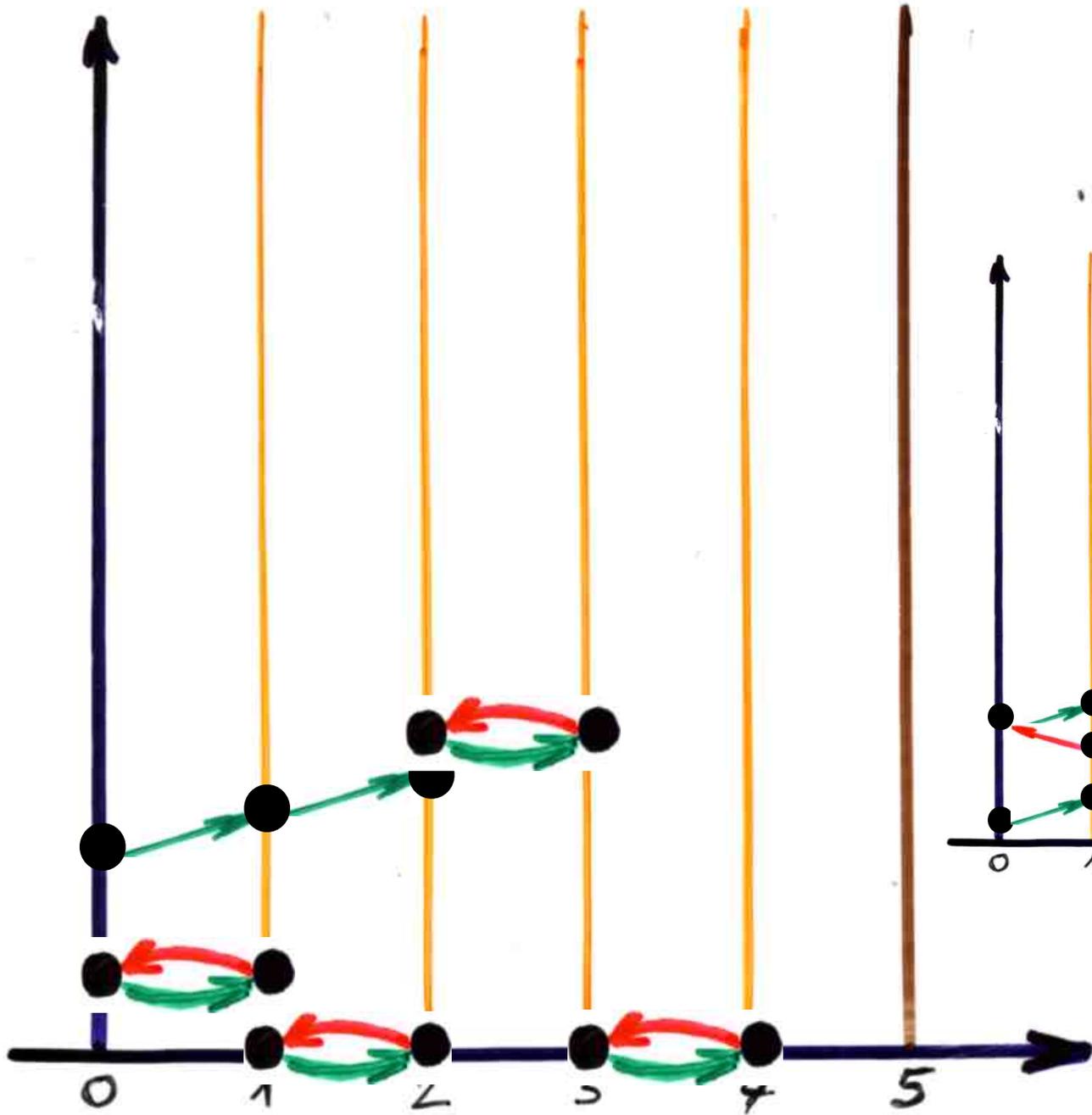


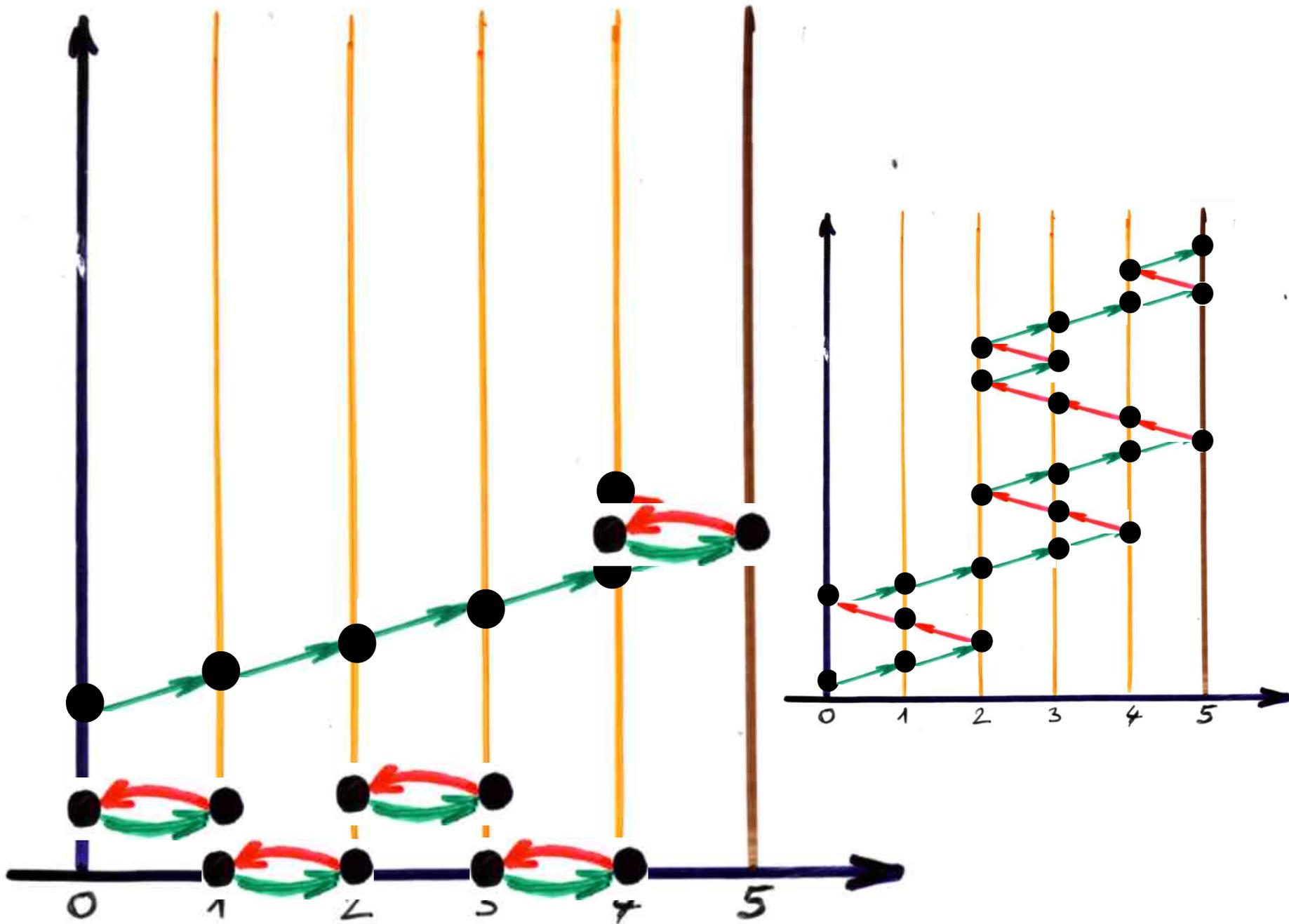


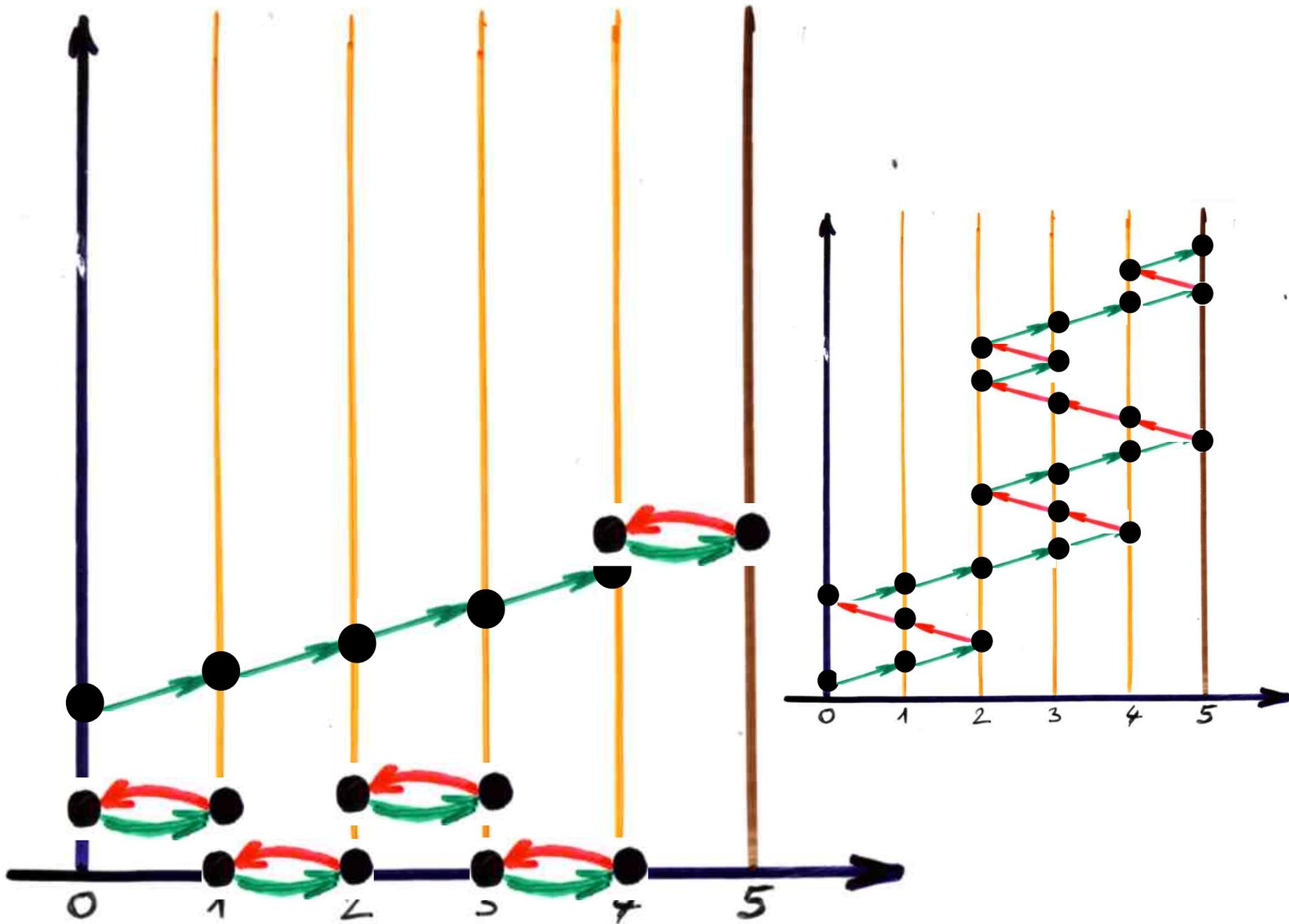


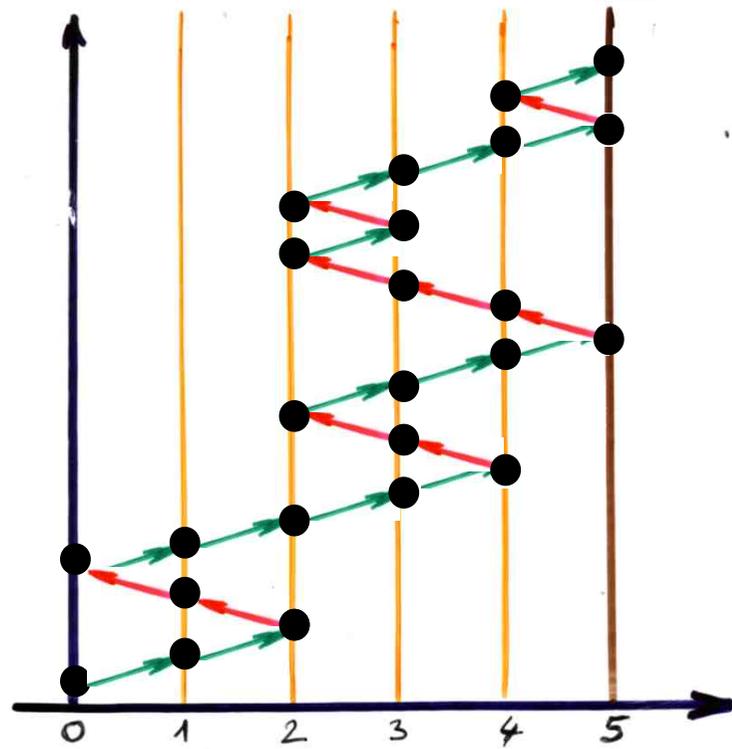
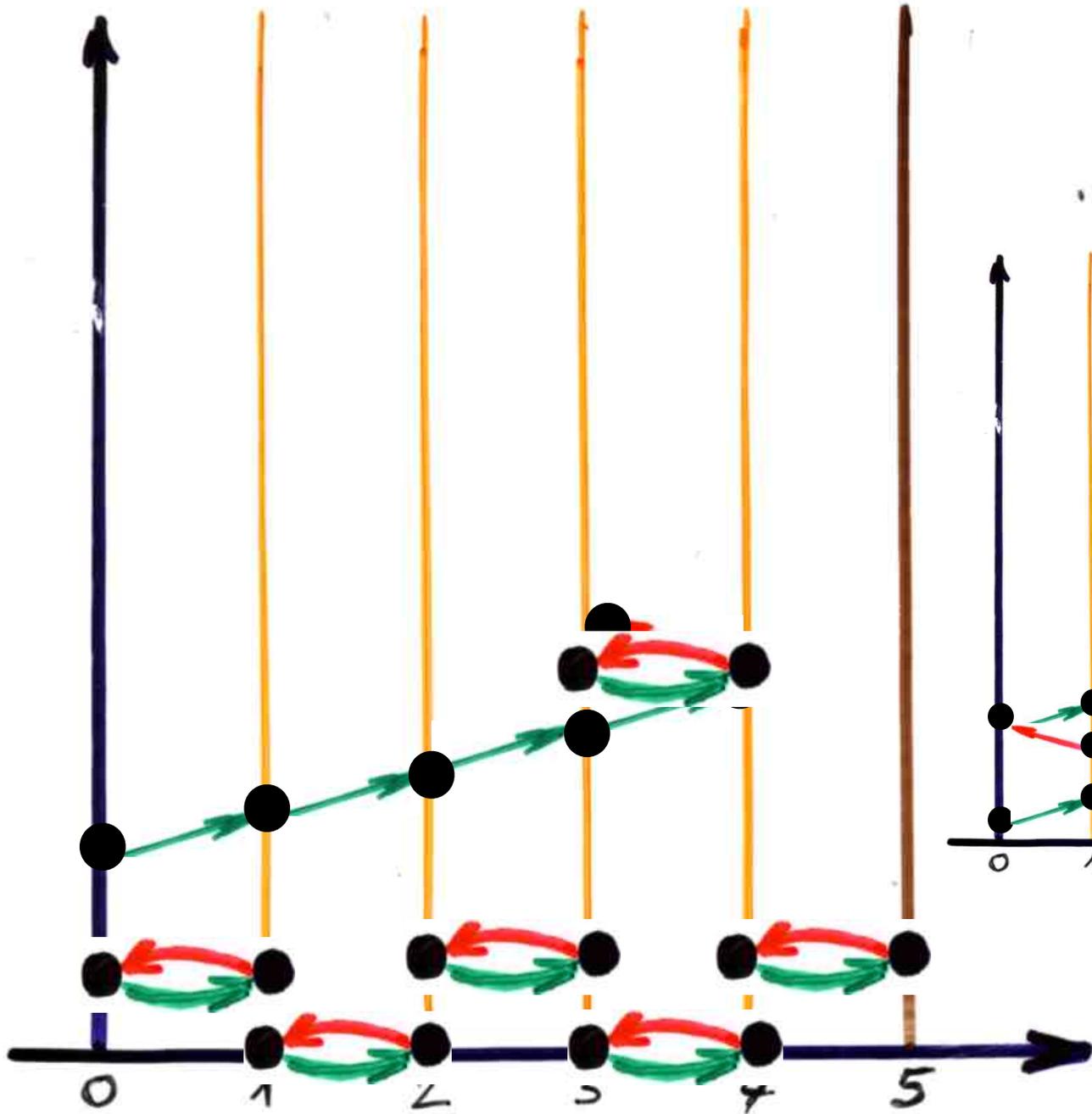


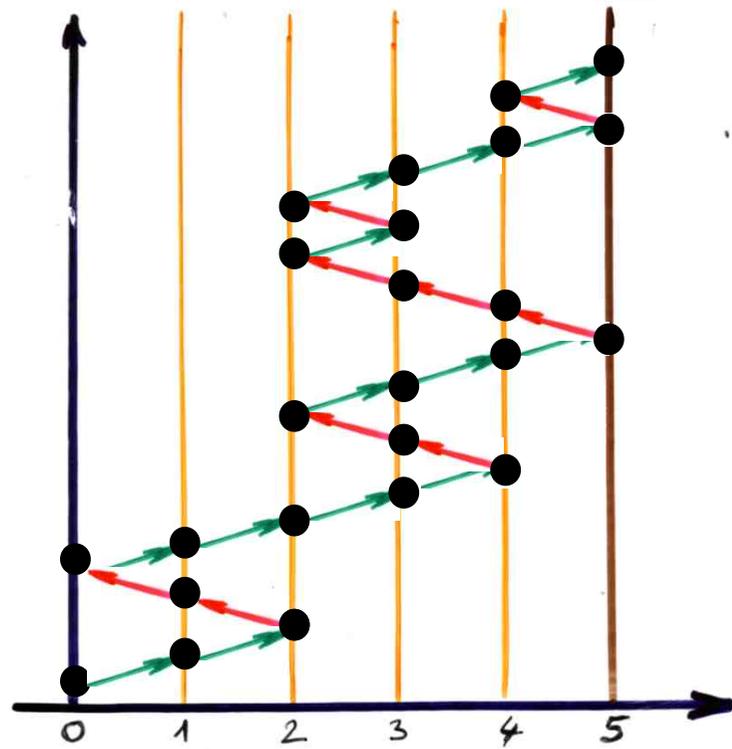
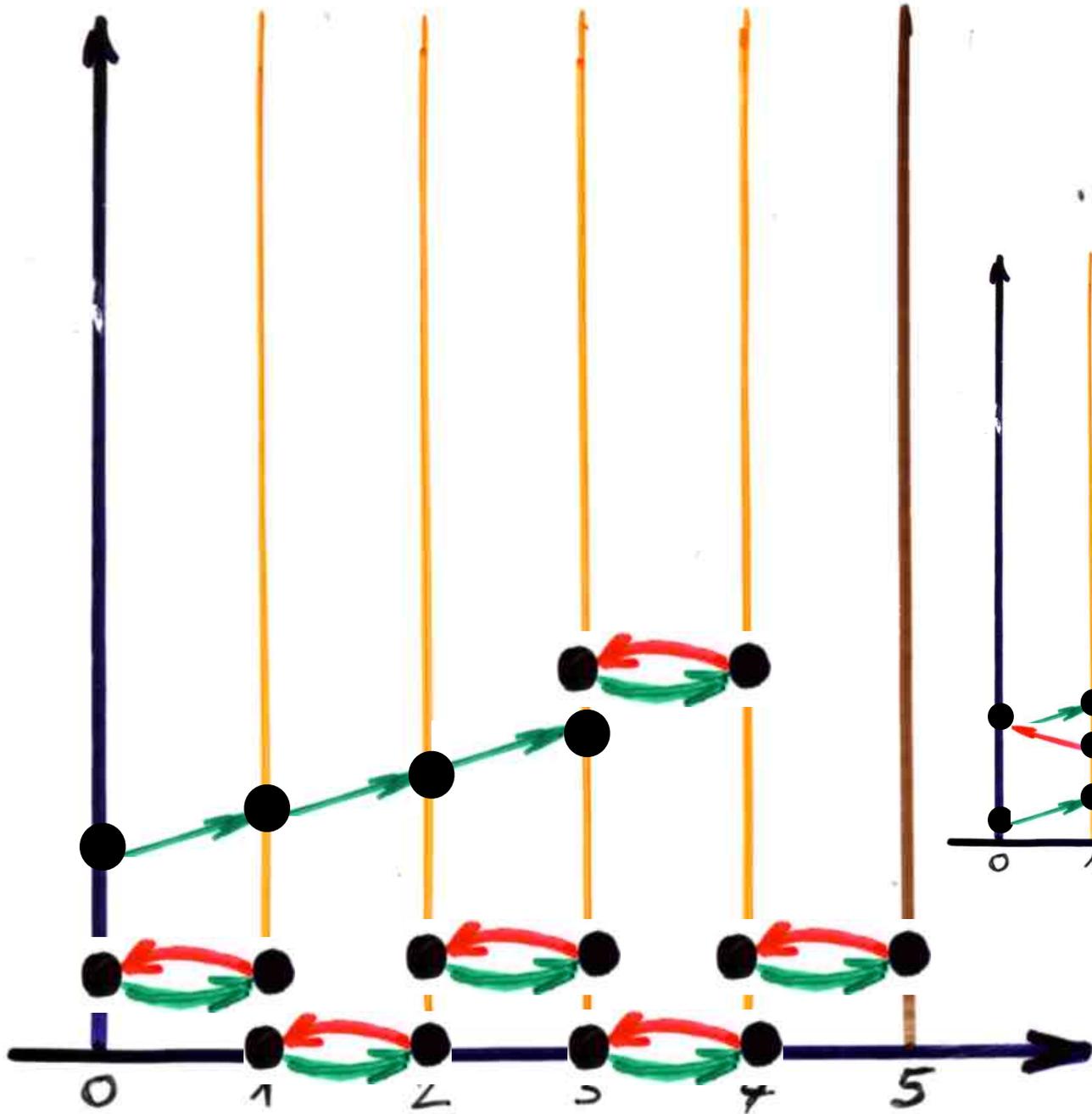


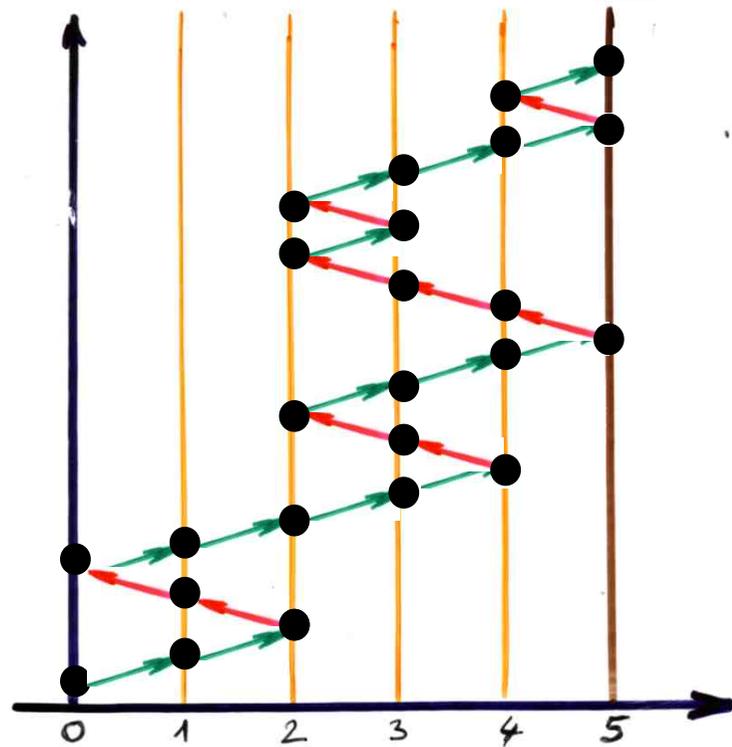
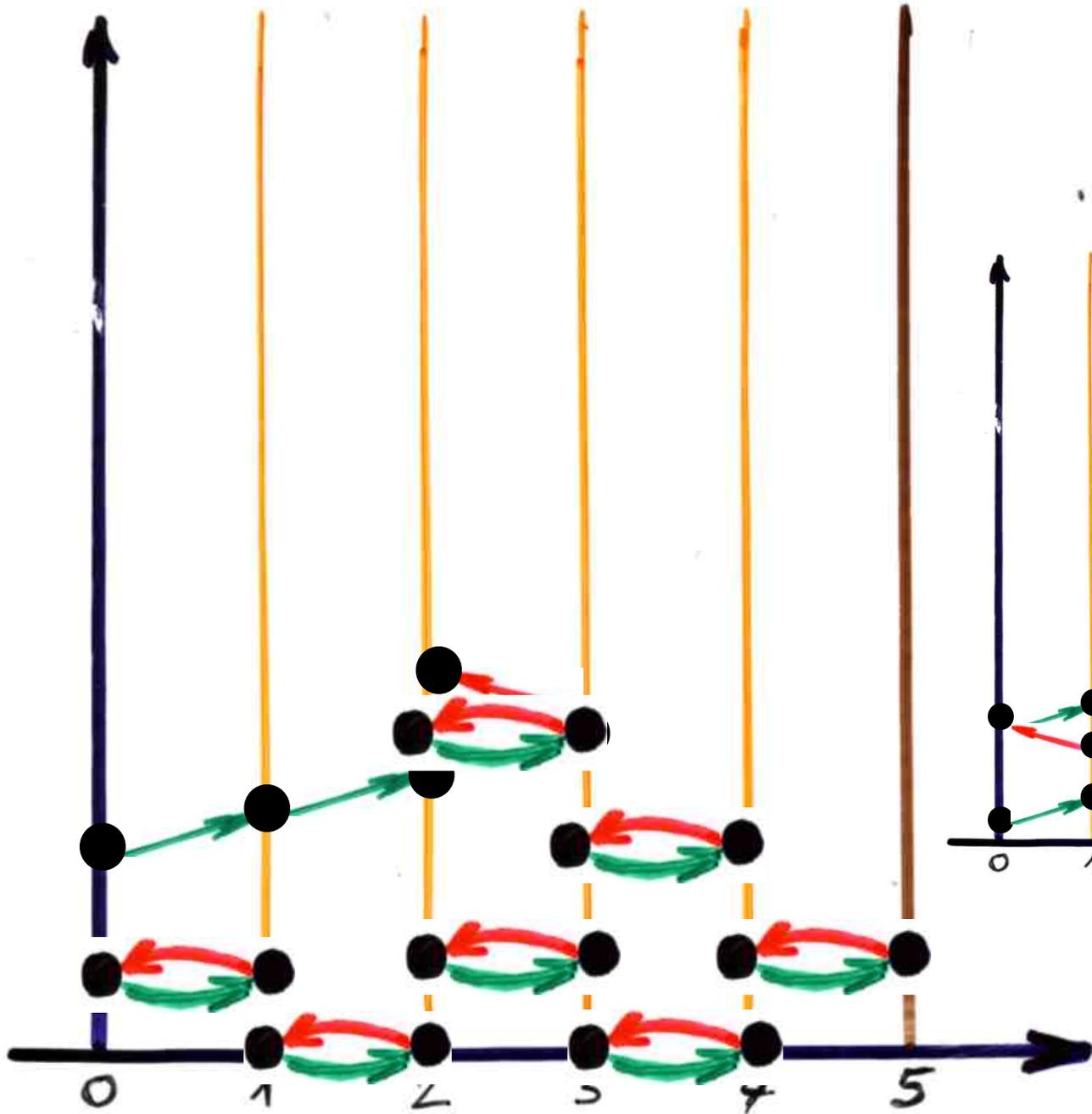


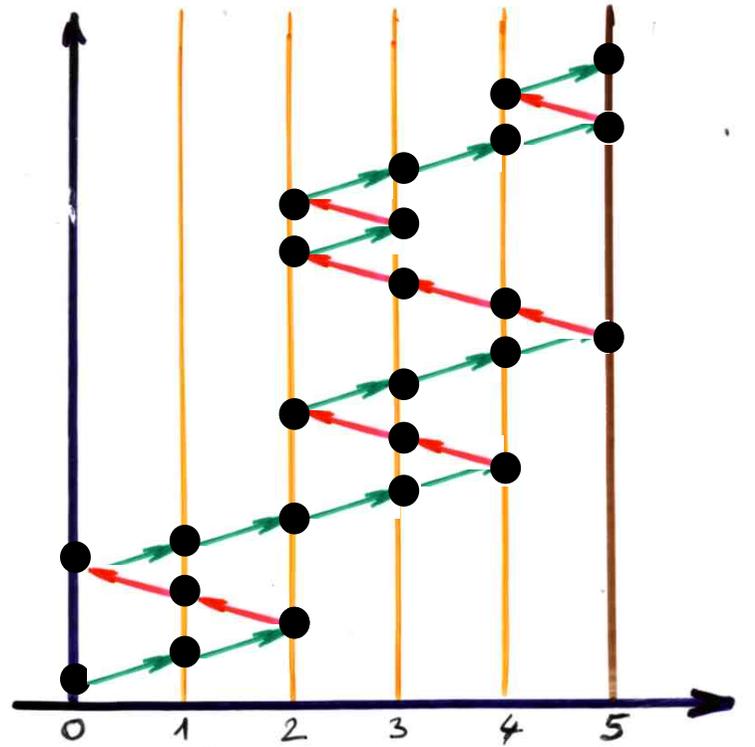
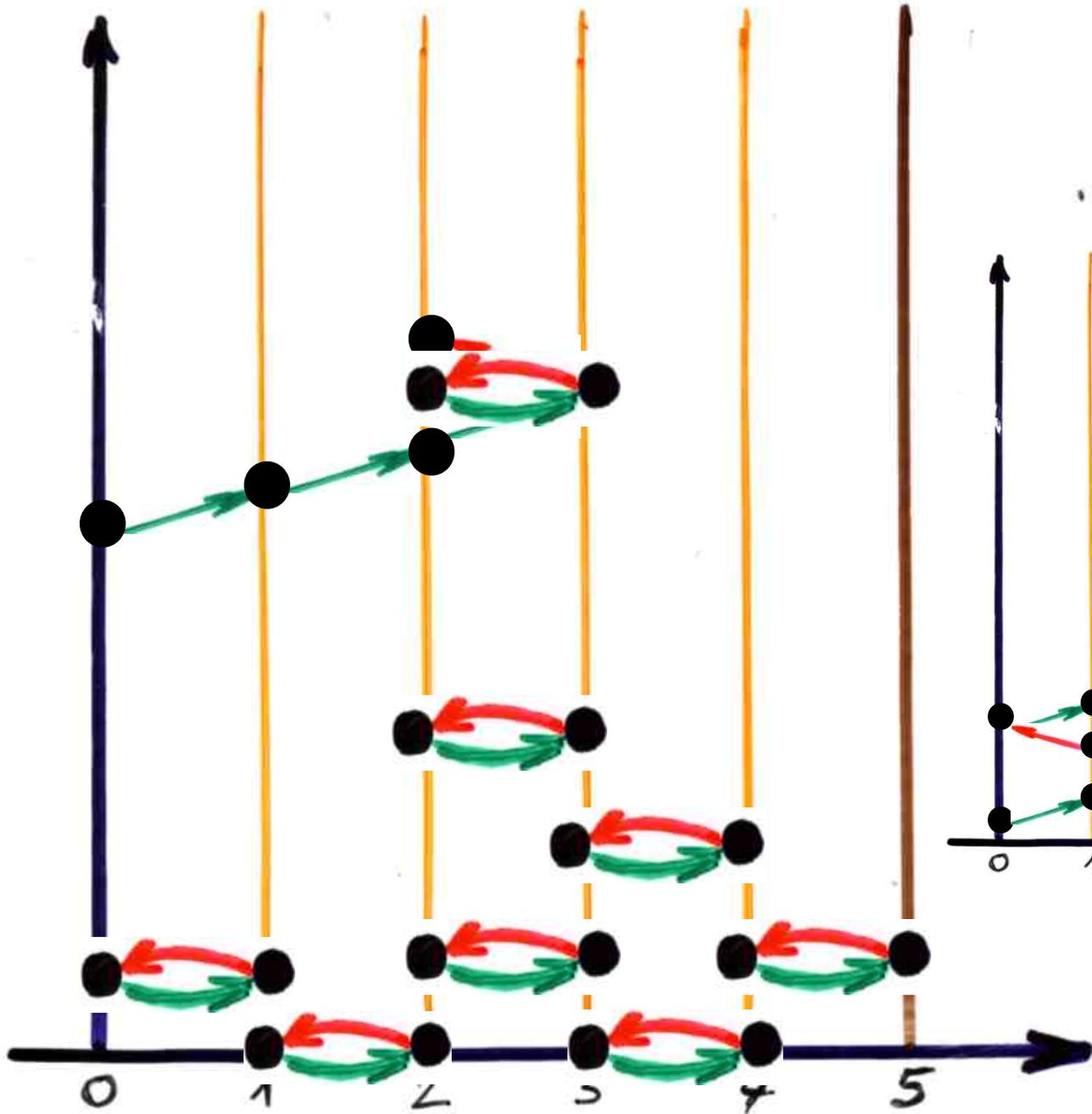


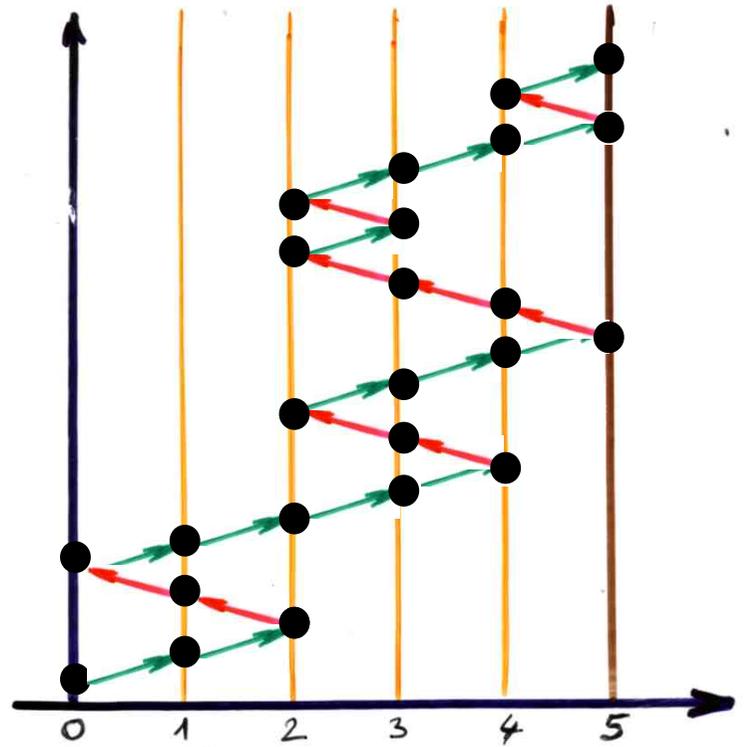
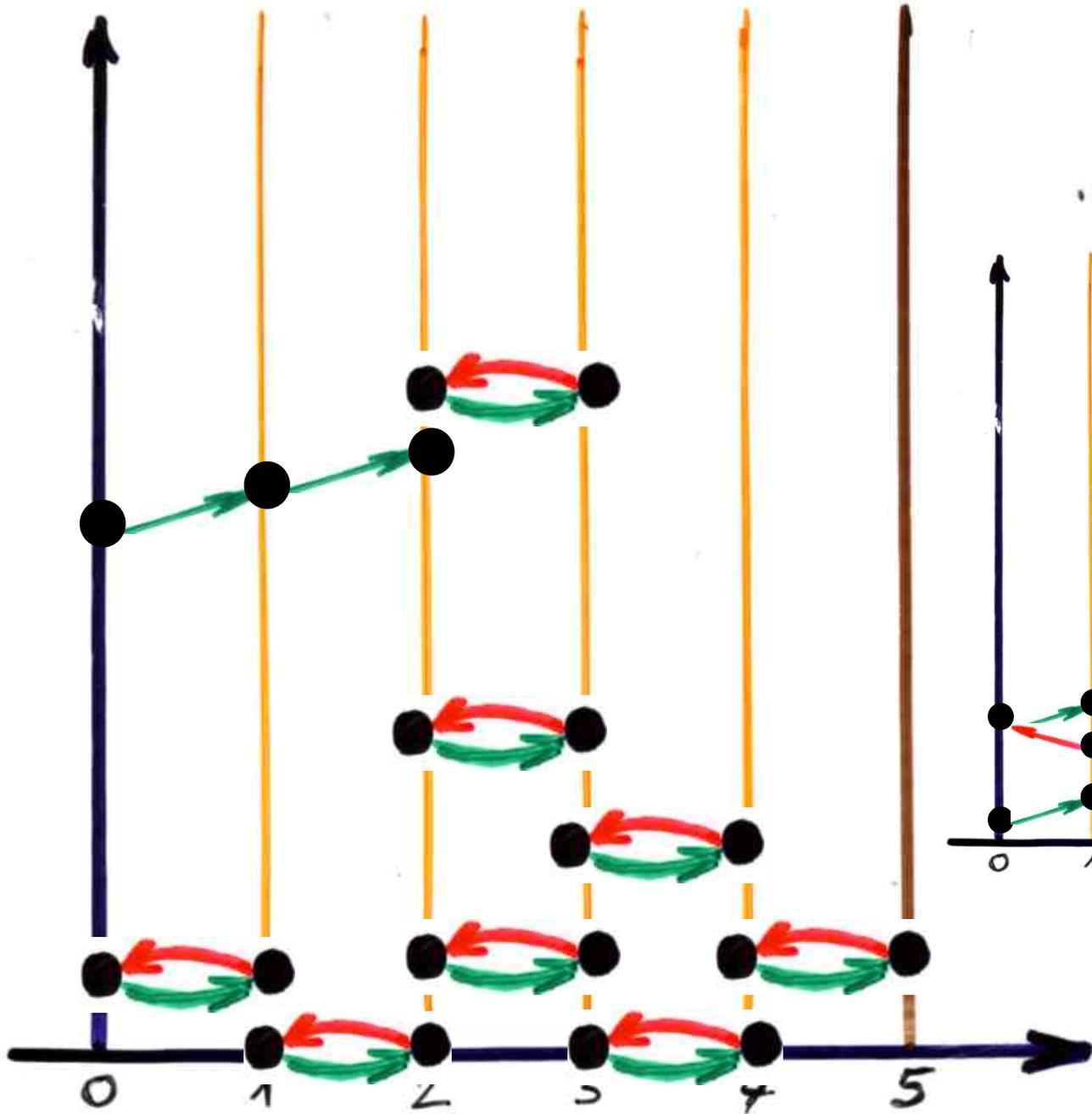


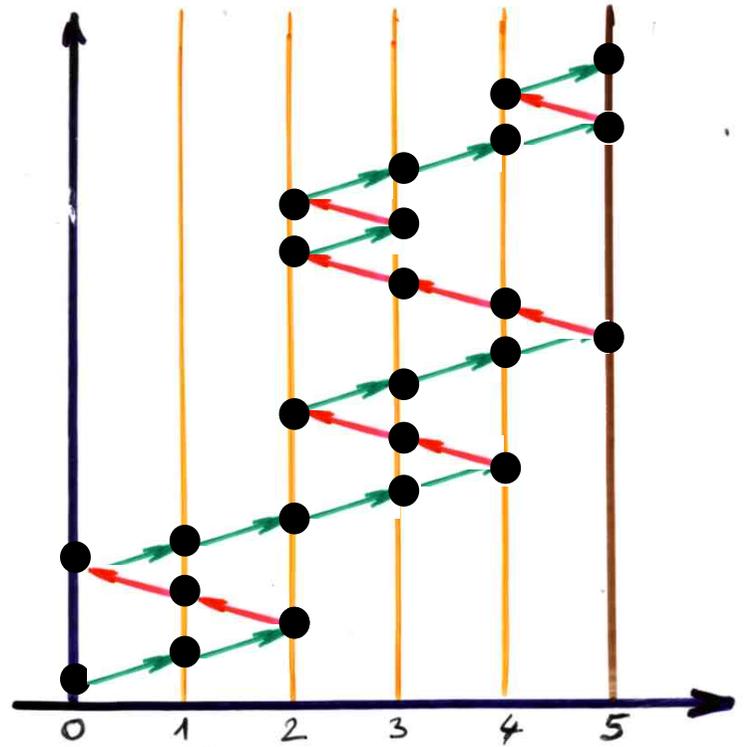
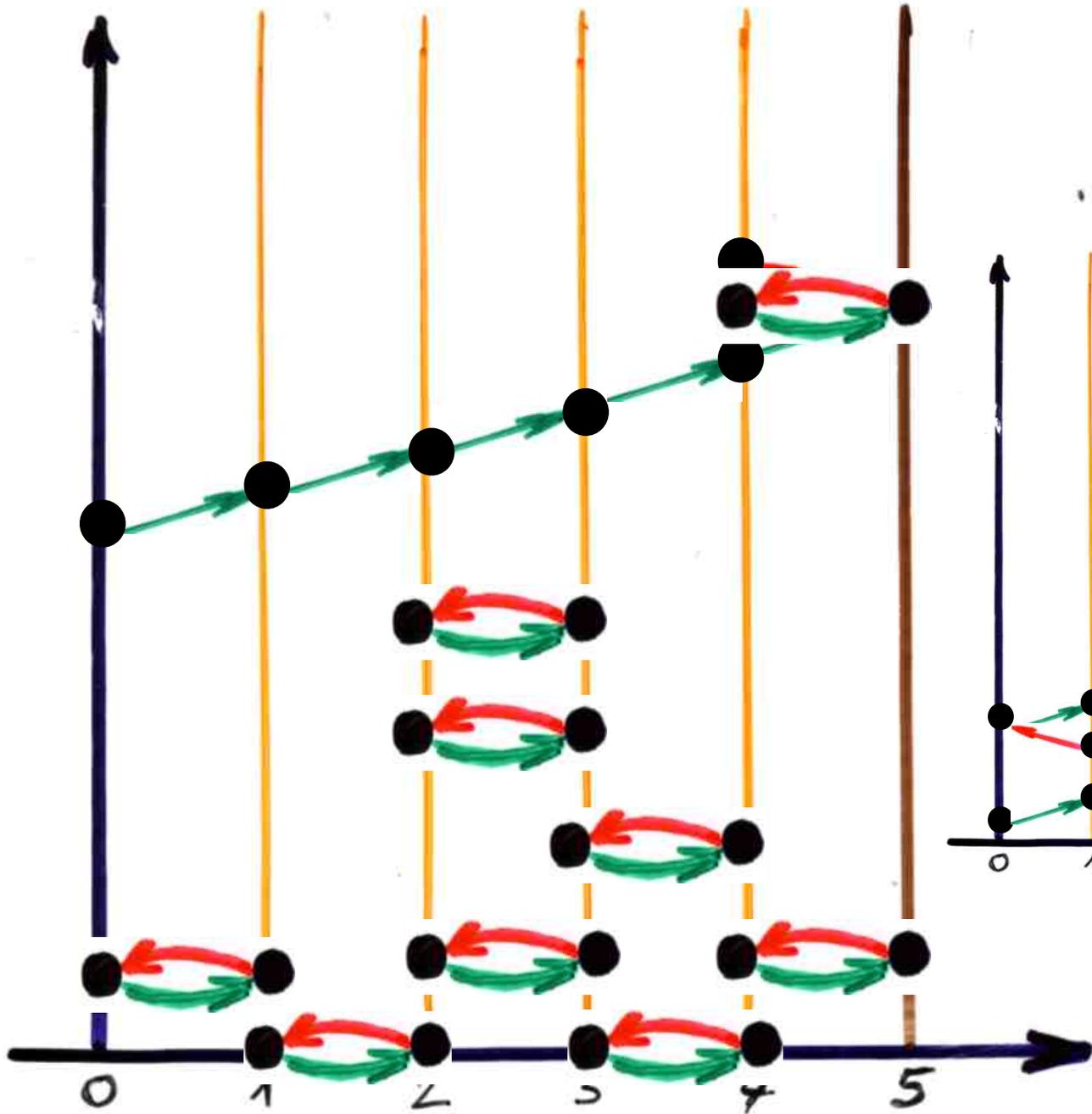


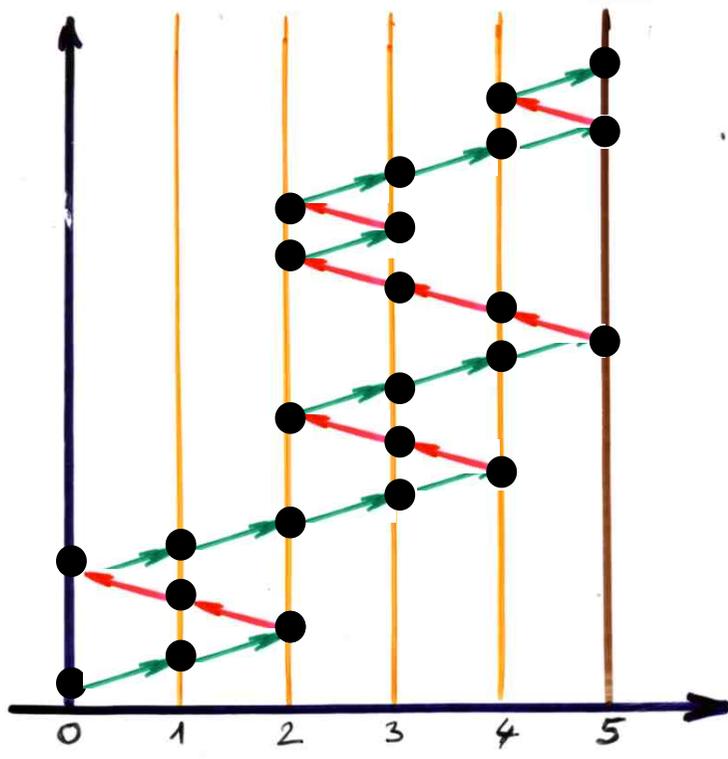
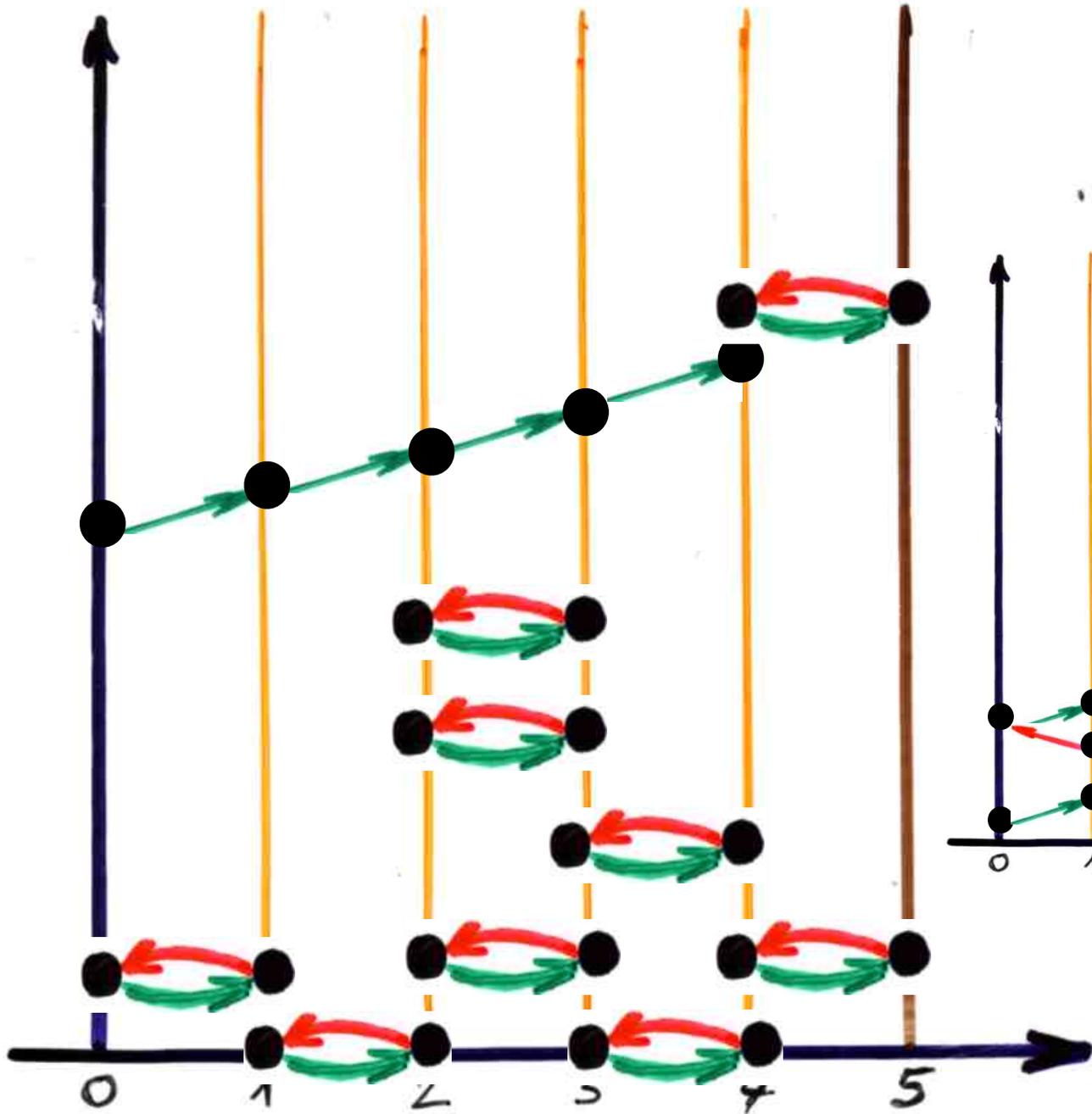


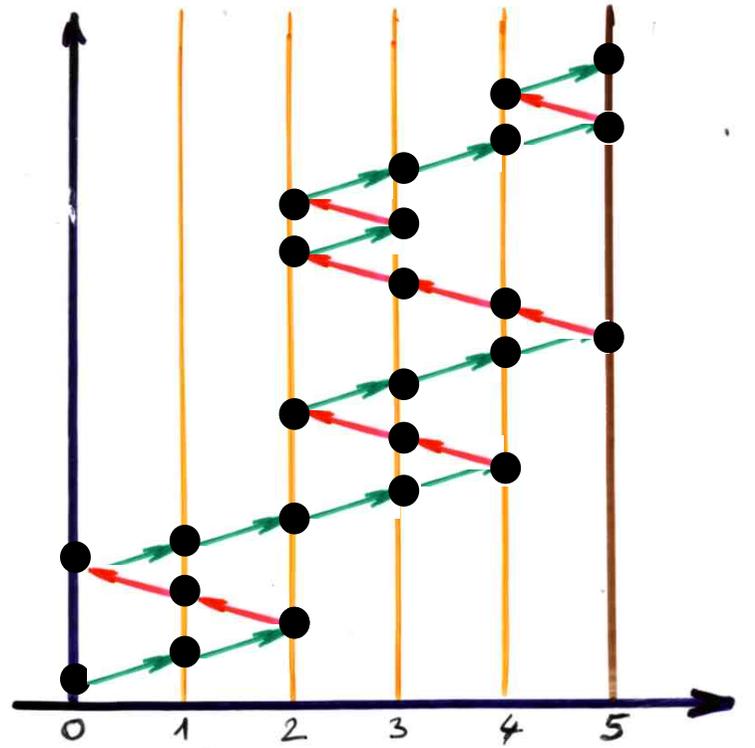
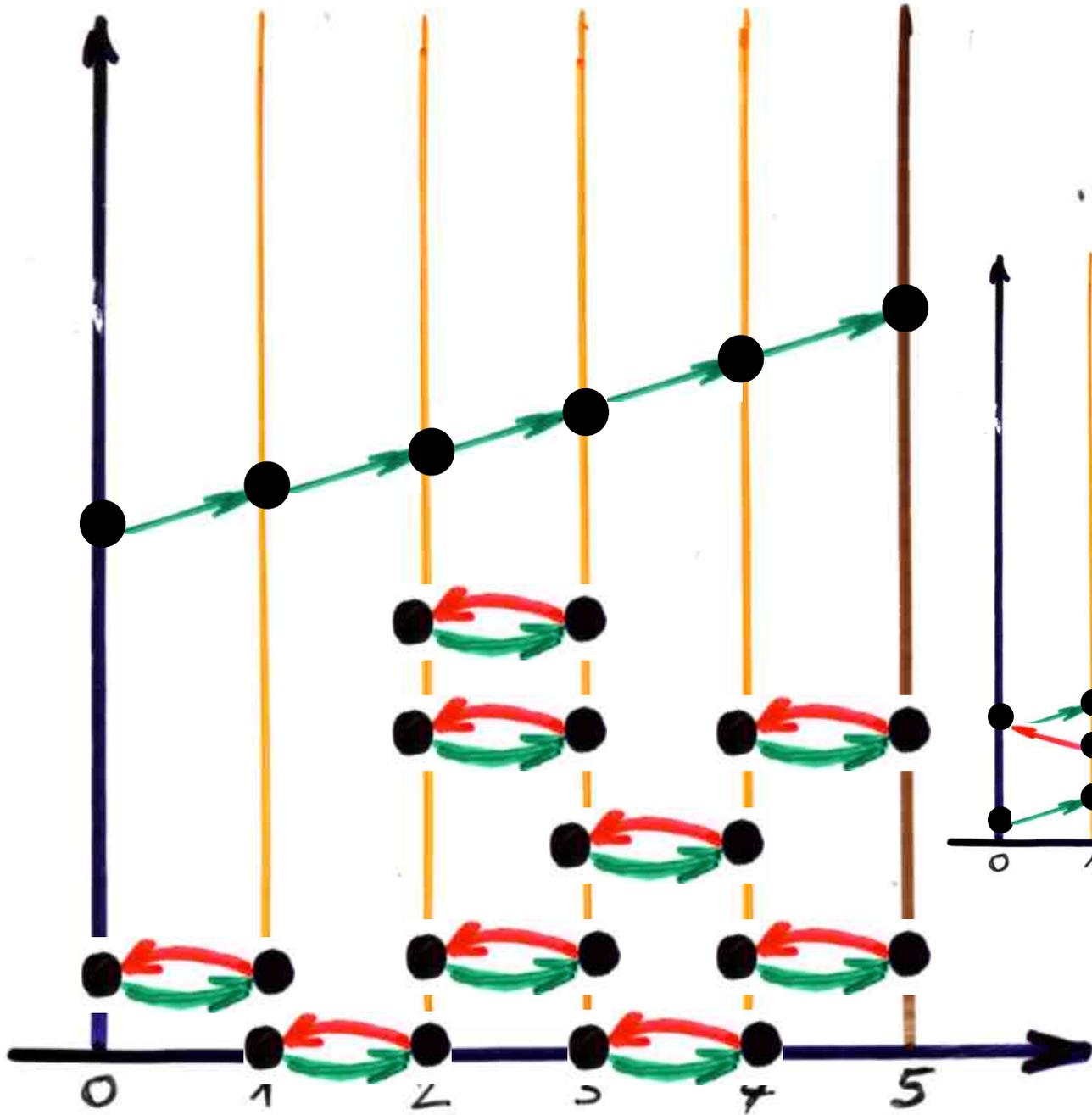


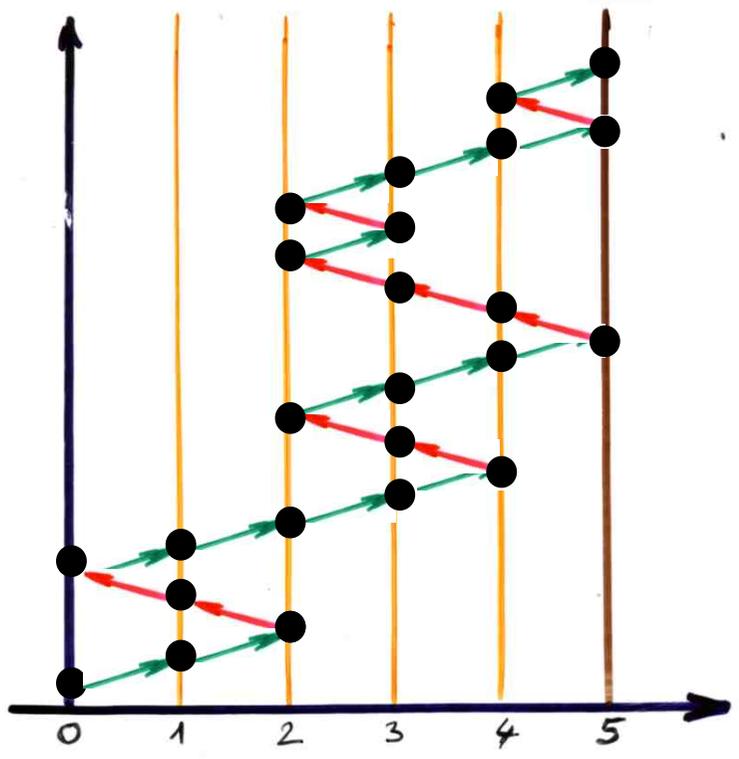
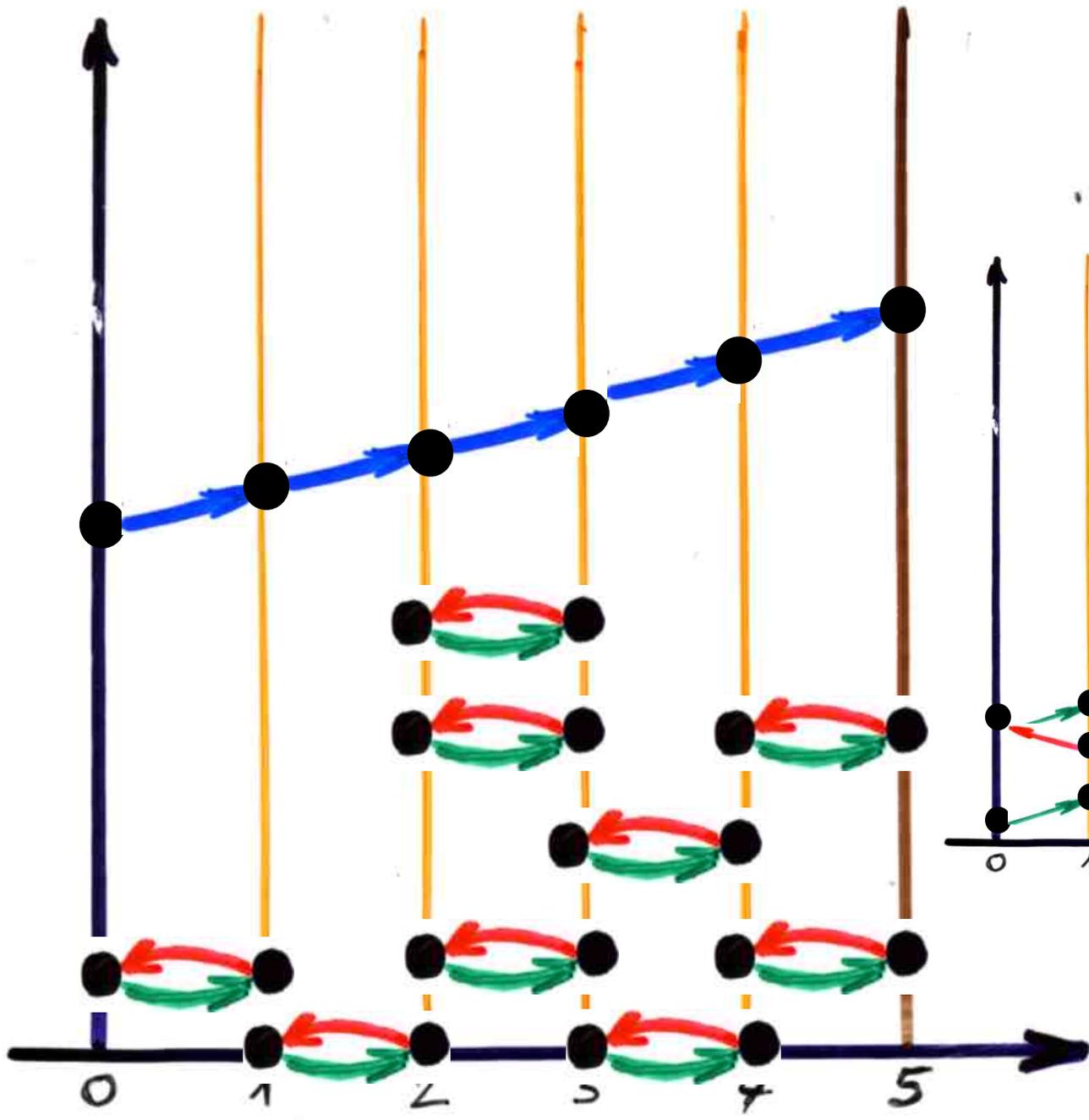


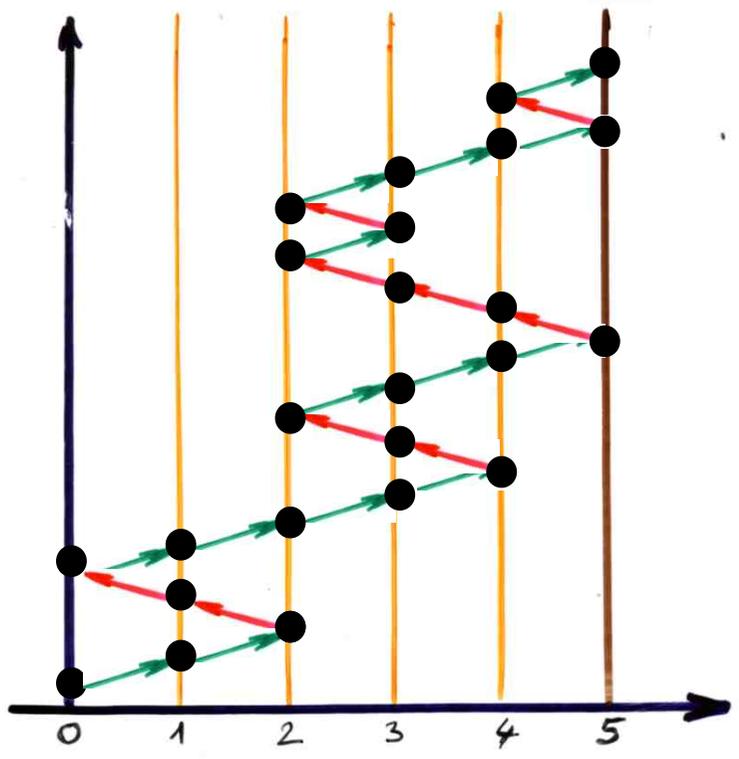
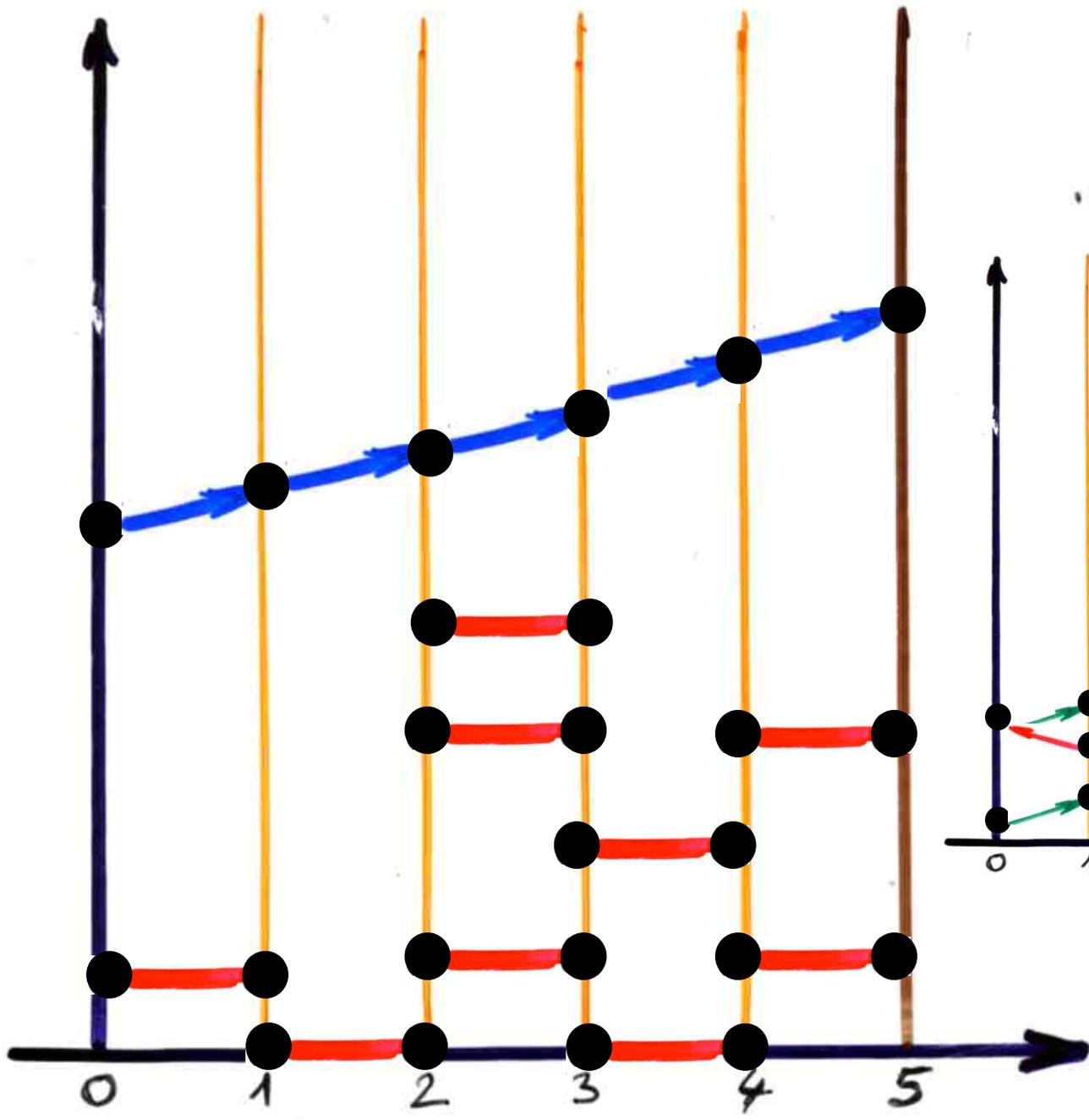


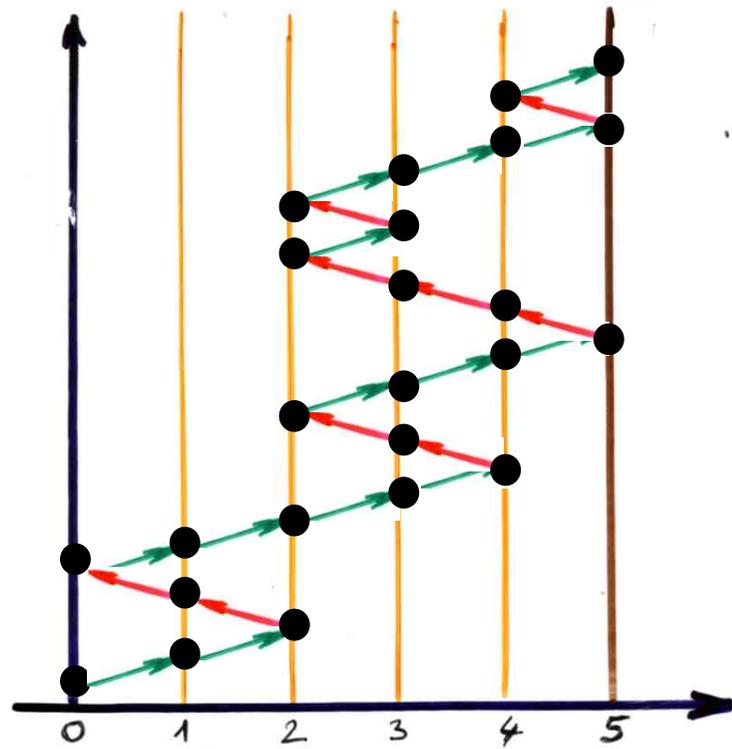
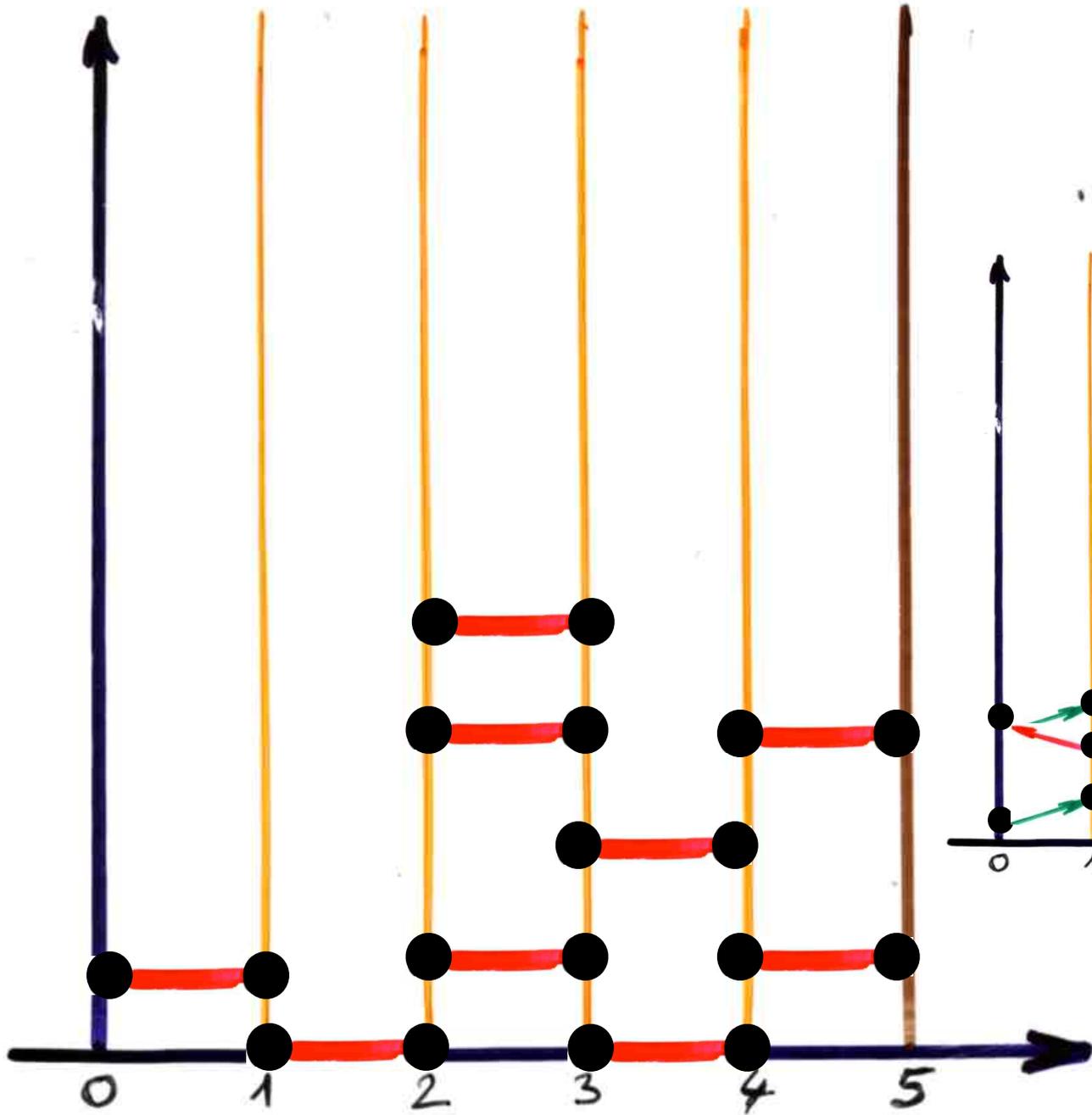




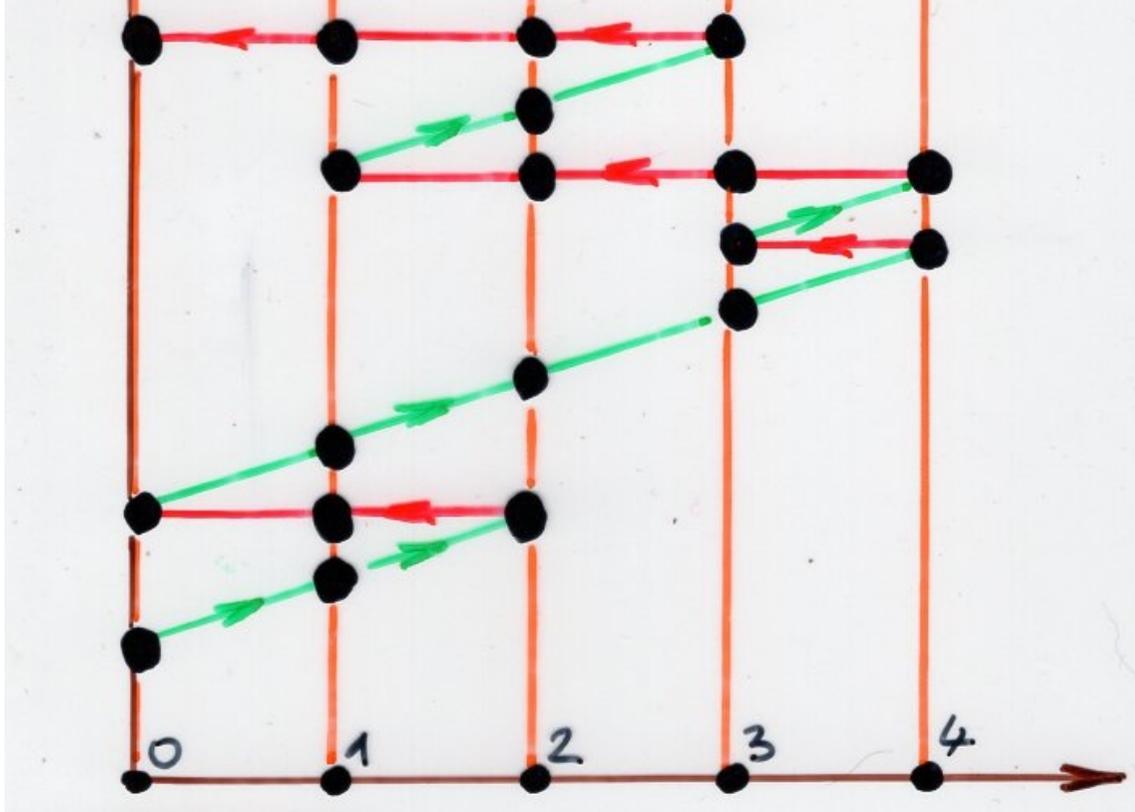


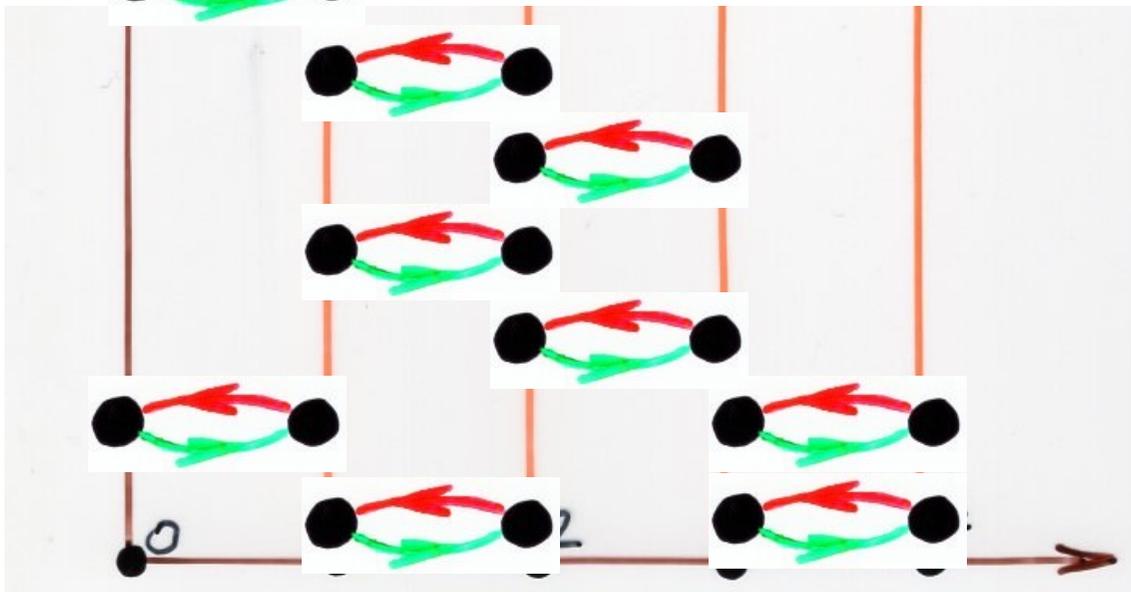
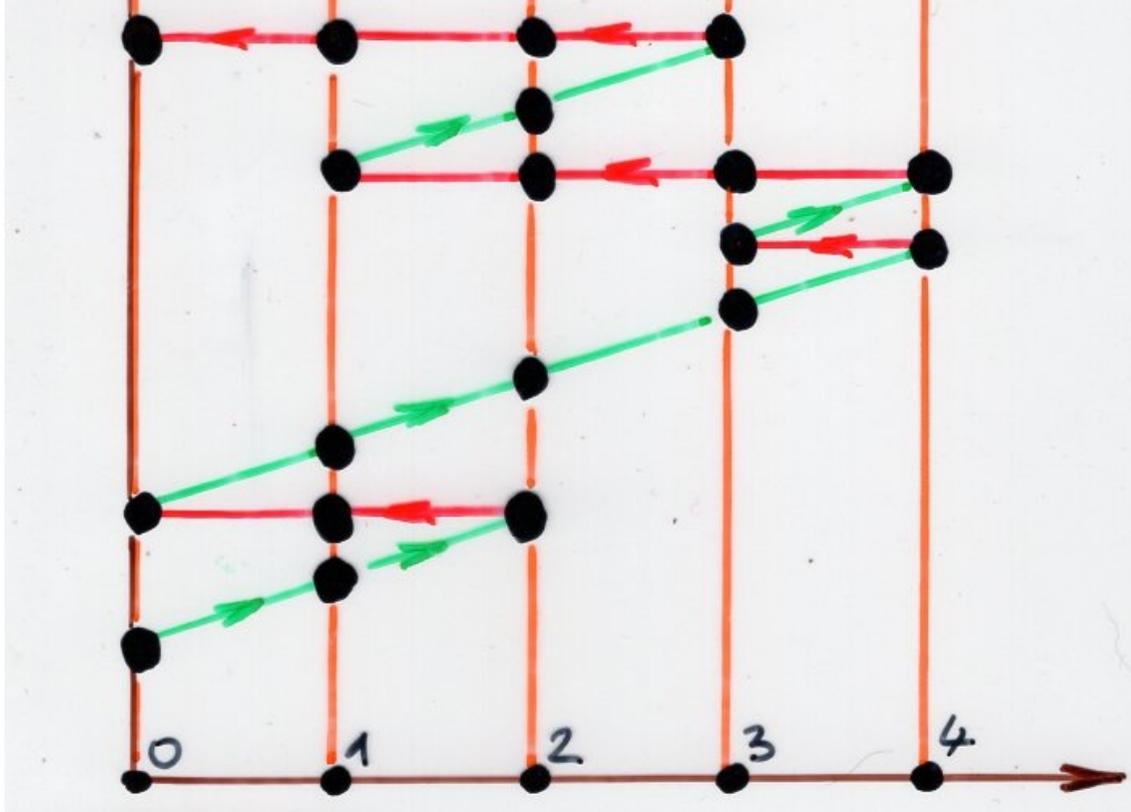


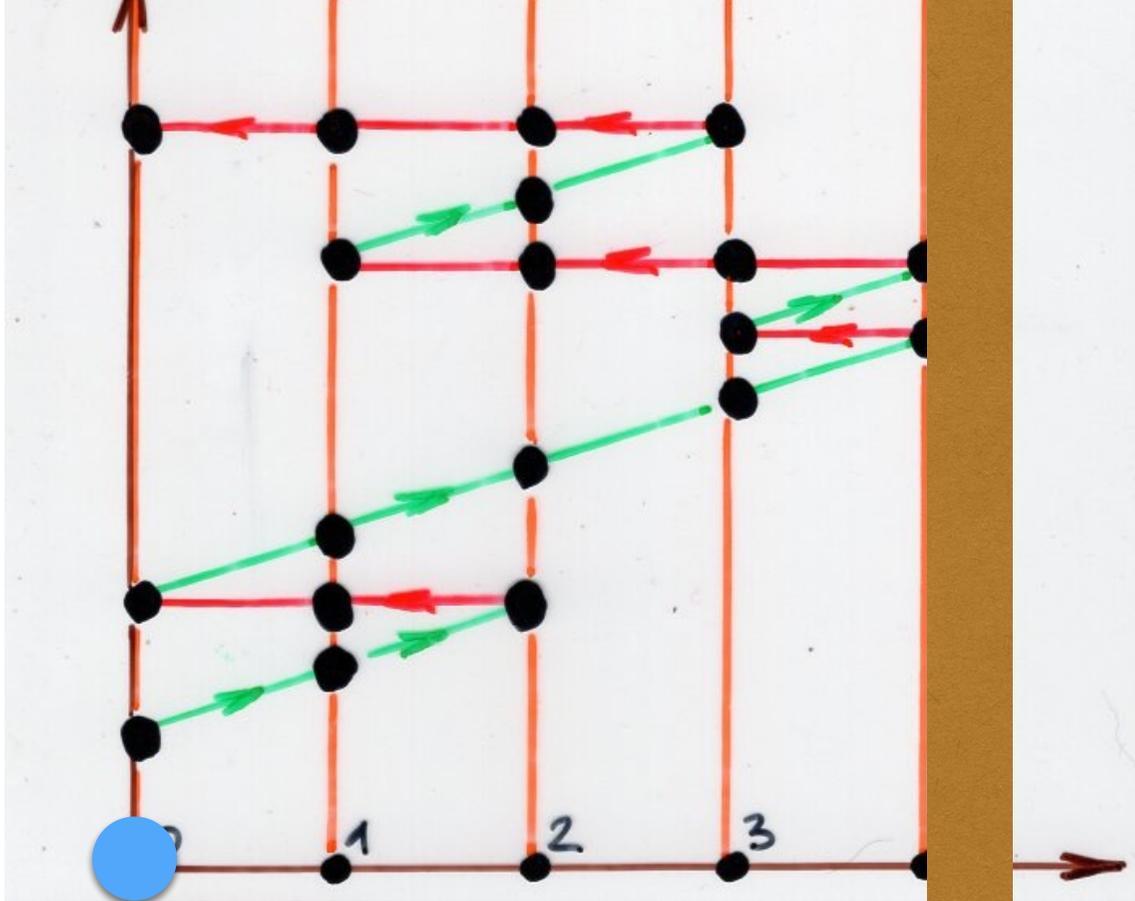




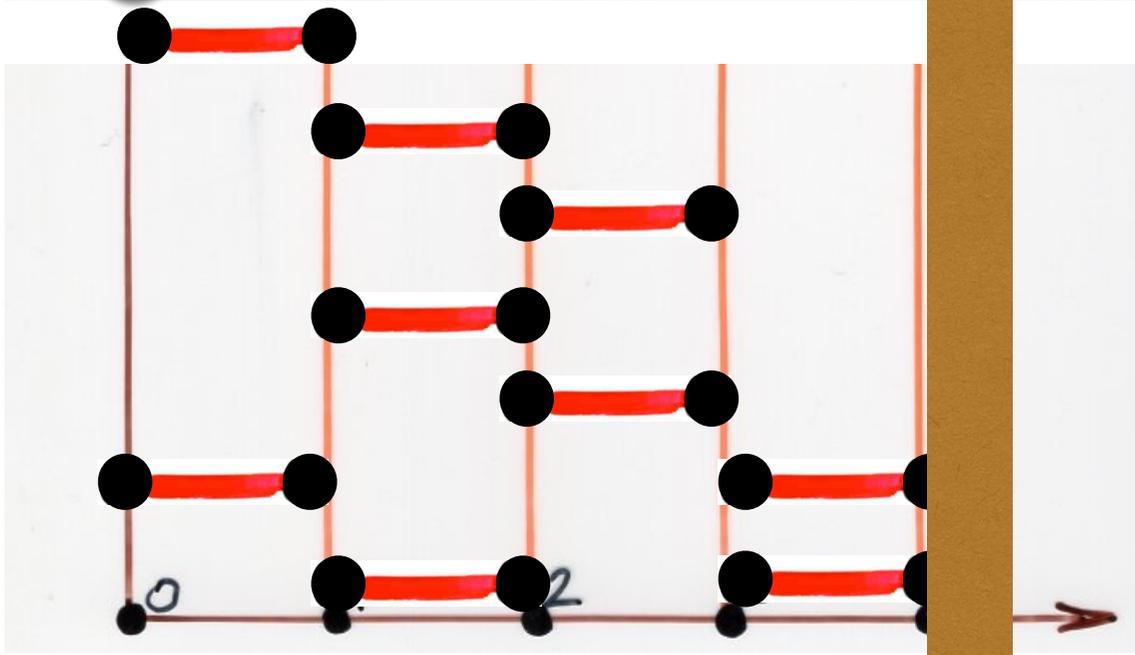
Dyck paths



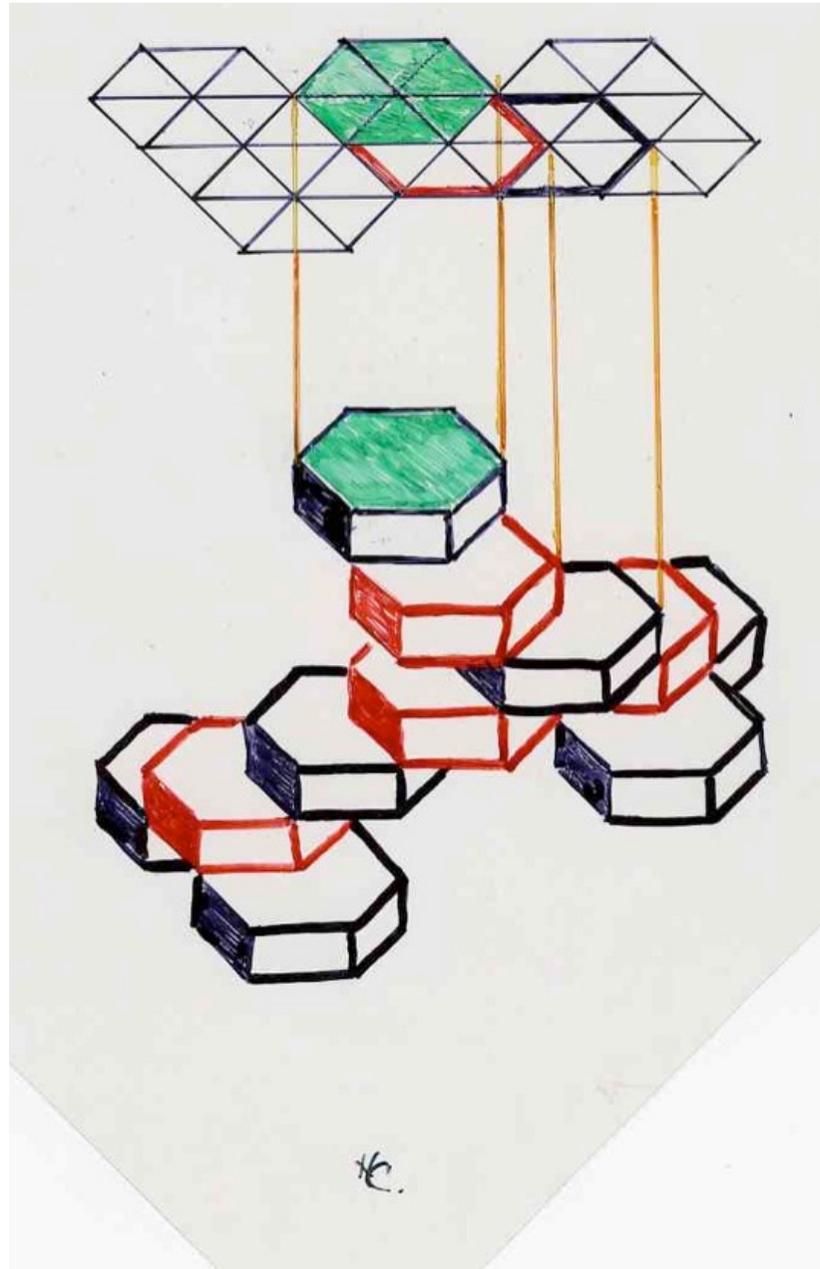




$C_{2n}^{(k)}$

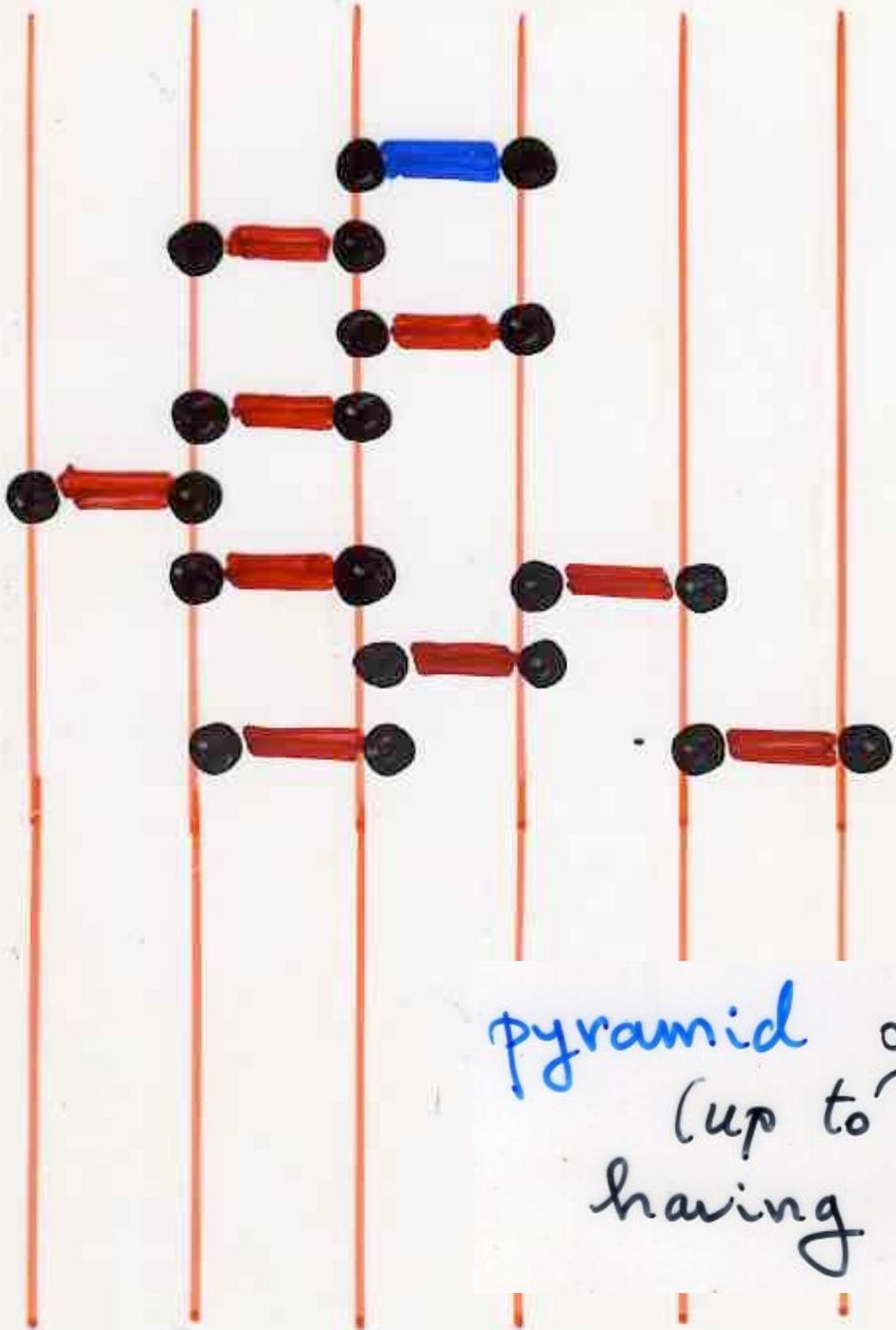


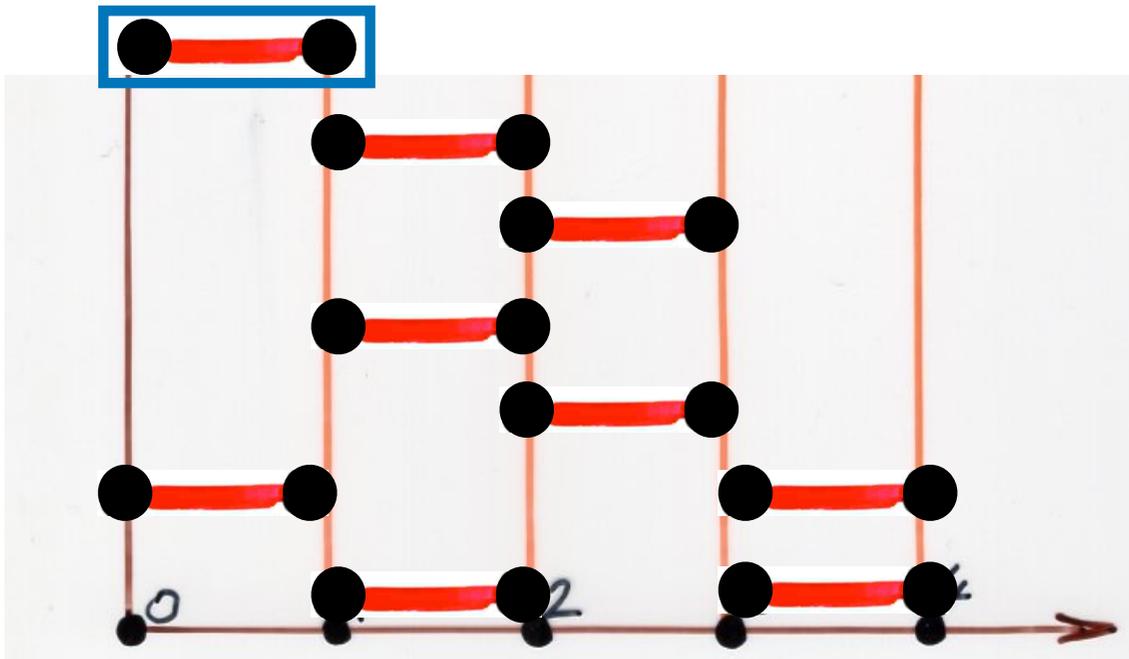
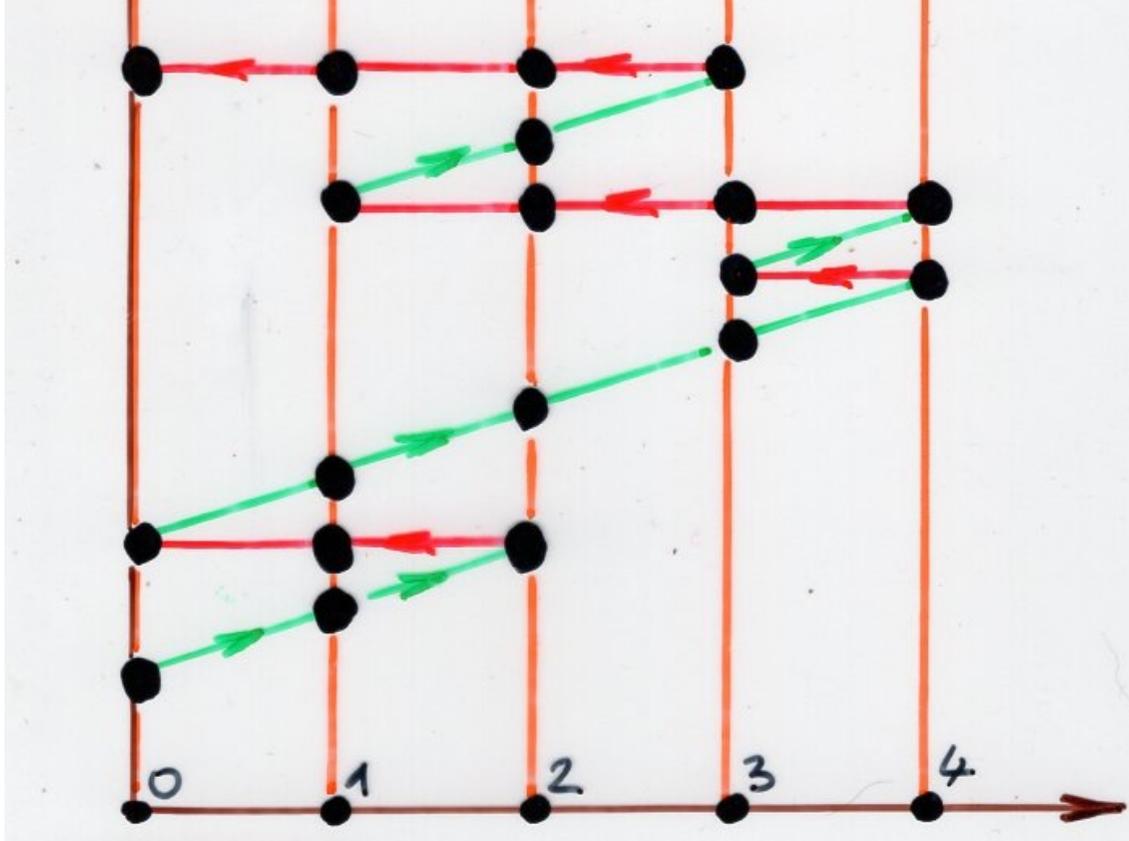
pyramid:
only one
maximal piece



pyramid:
only one
maximal piece

pyramid of dimers on \mathbb{Z}
(up to translation)
having n dimers





semi-pyramid:
 maximal piece
 $\approx (0,1)$

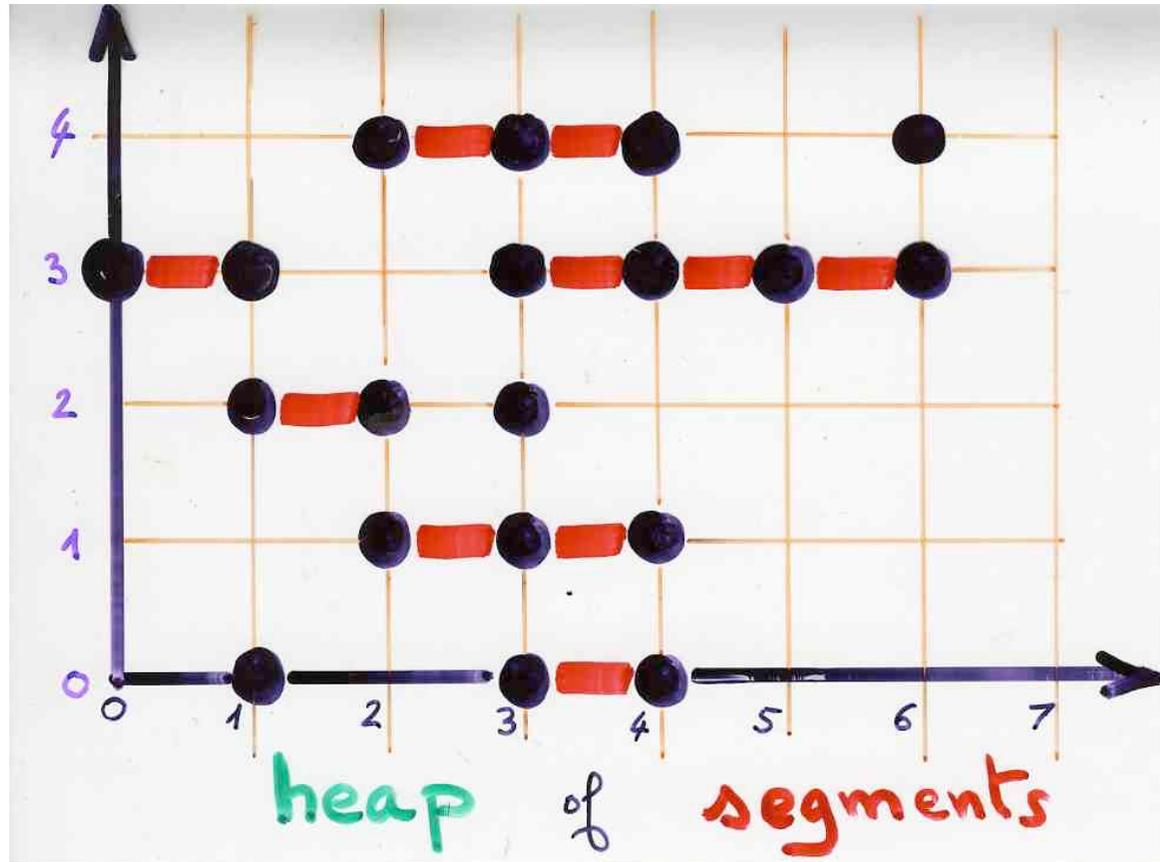
Bijection alternating sequences
heaps of segments

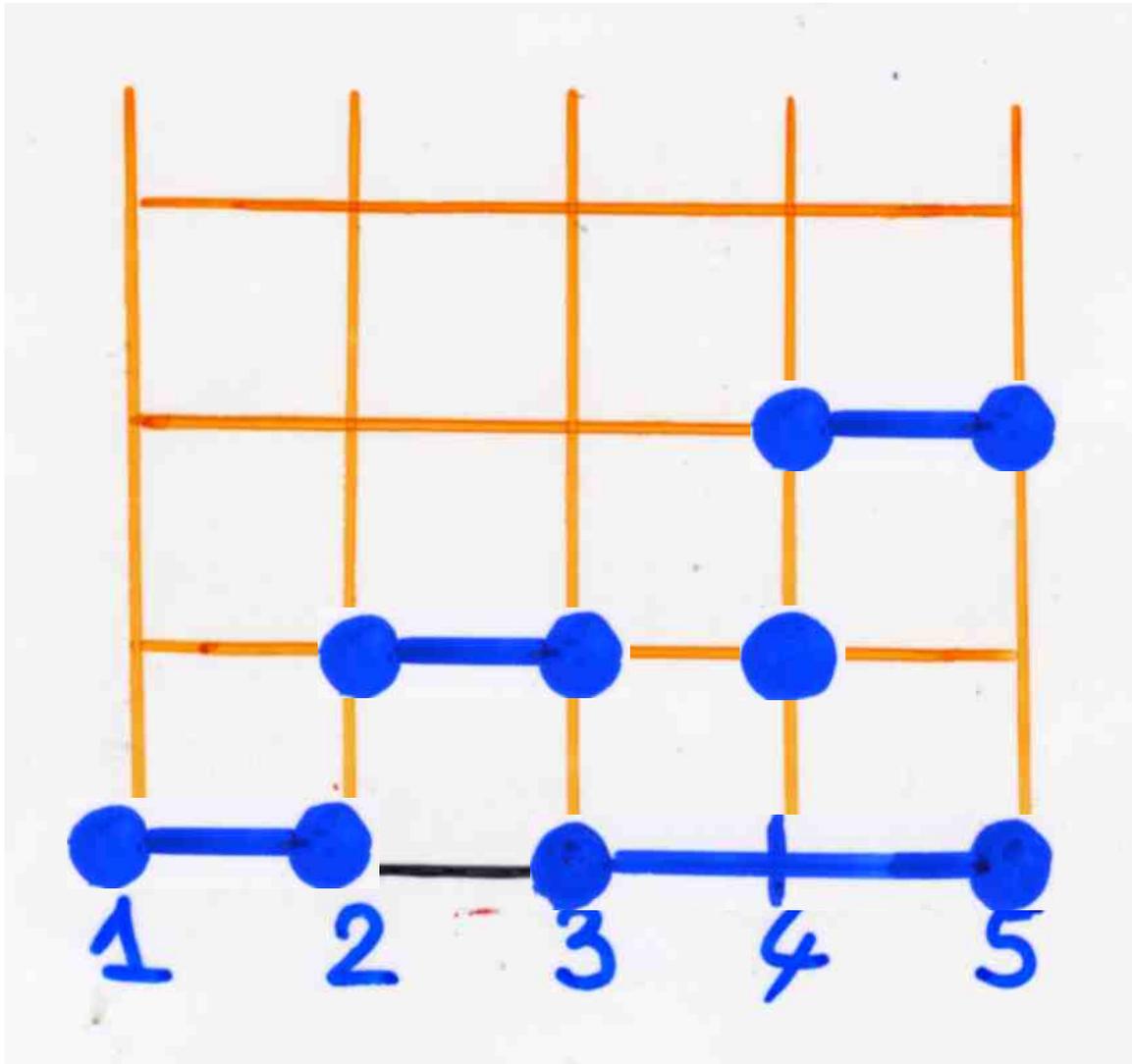
(even case)

ex: heap of segments over \mathbb{N}

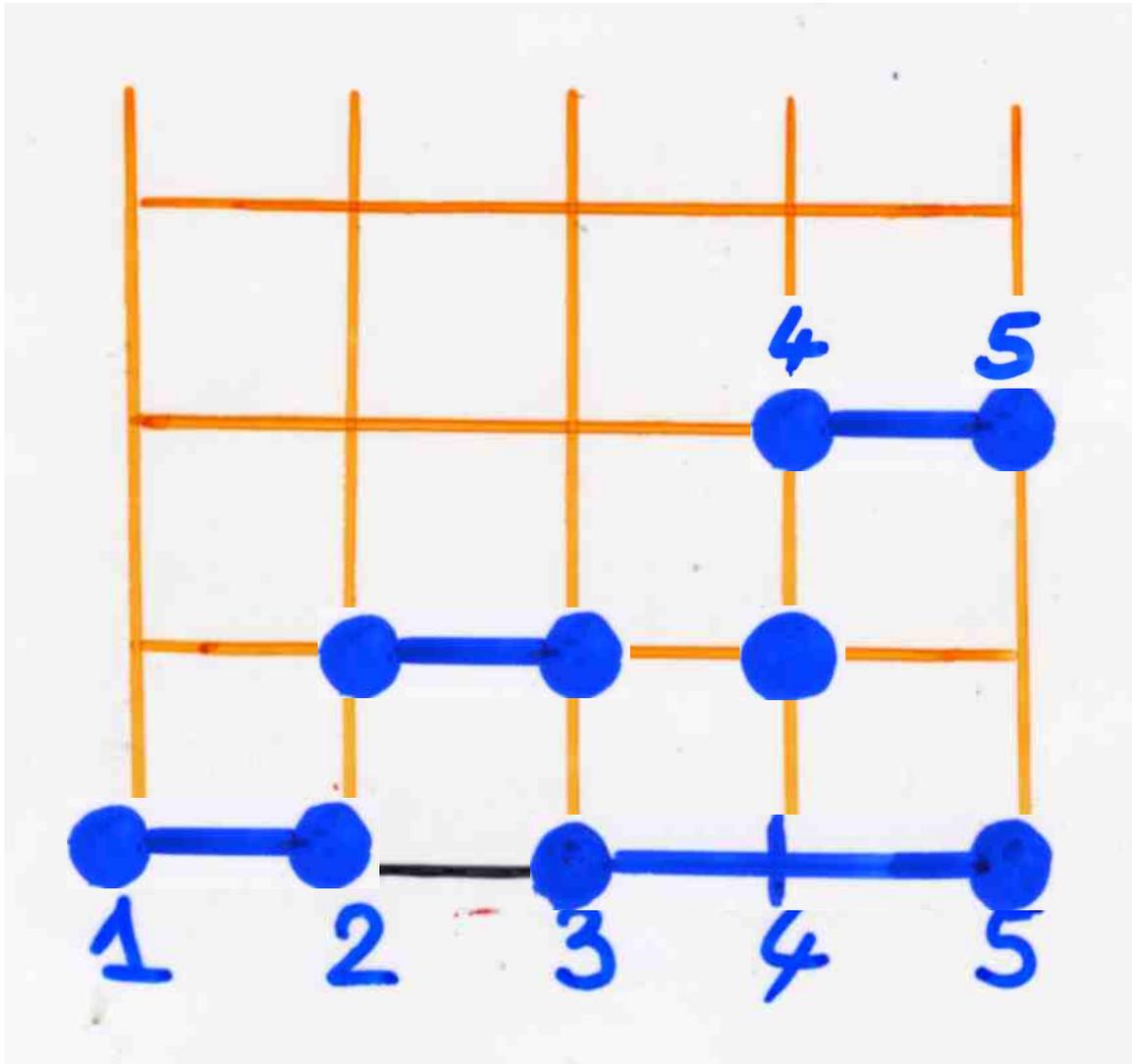
$$\mathcal{P} = \{ [a, b] = \{a, a+1, \dots, b\}, 0 \leq a \leq b \}$$

$$\mathcal{E} \quad [a, b] \mathcal{E} [c, d] \Leftrightarrow [a, b] \cap [c, d] \neq \emptyset$$



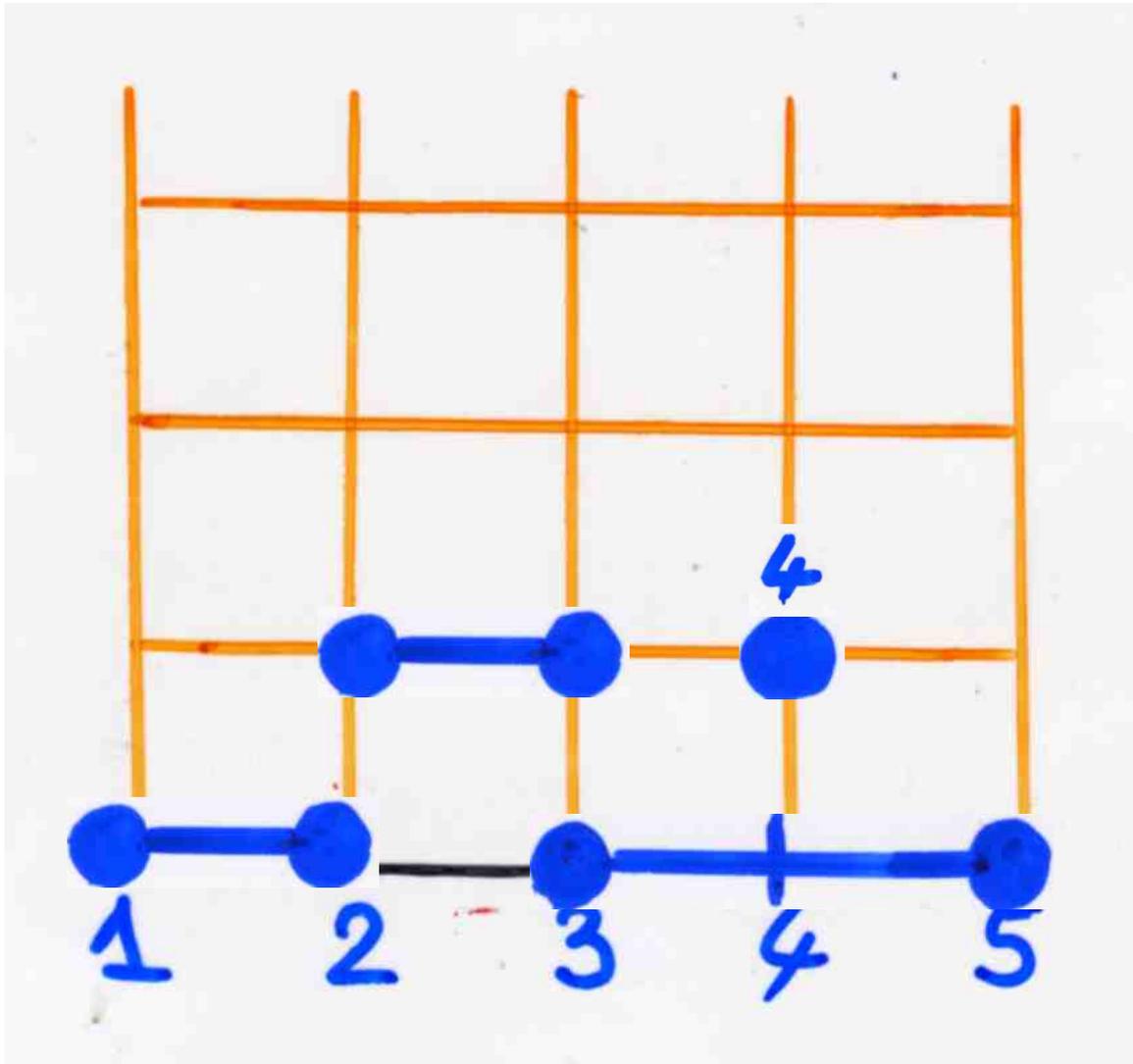


right most
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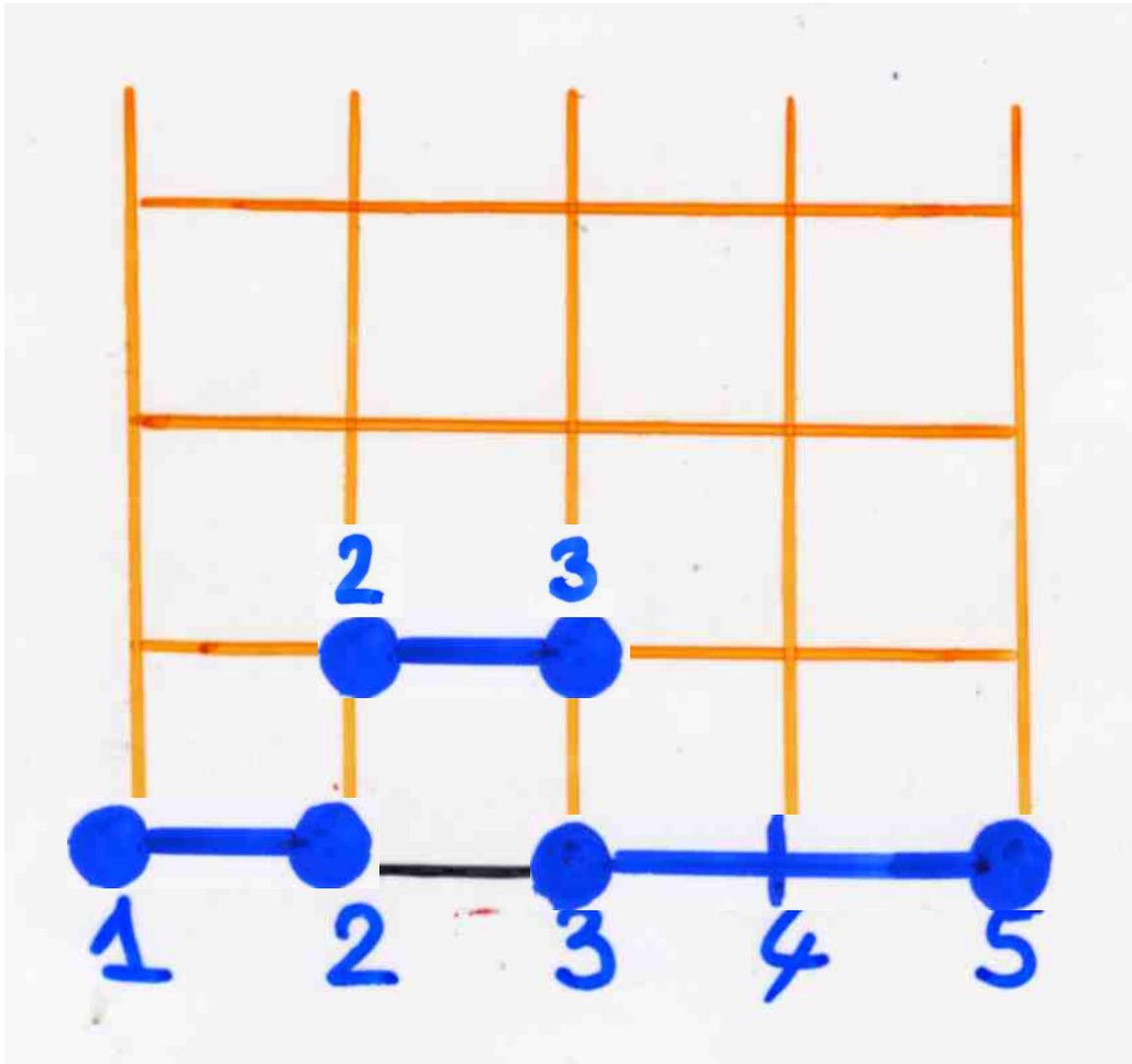
right most
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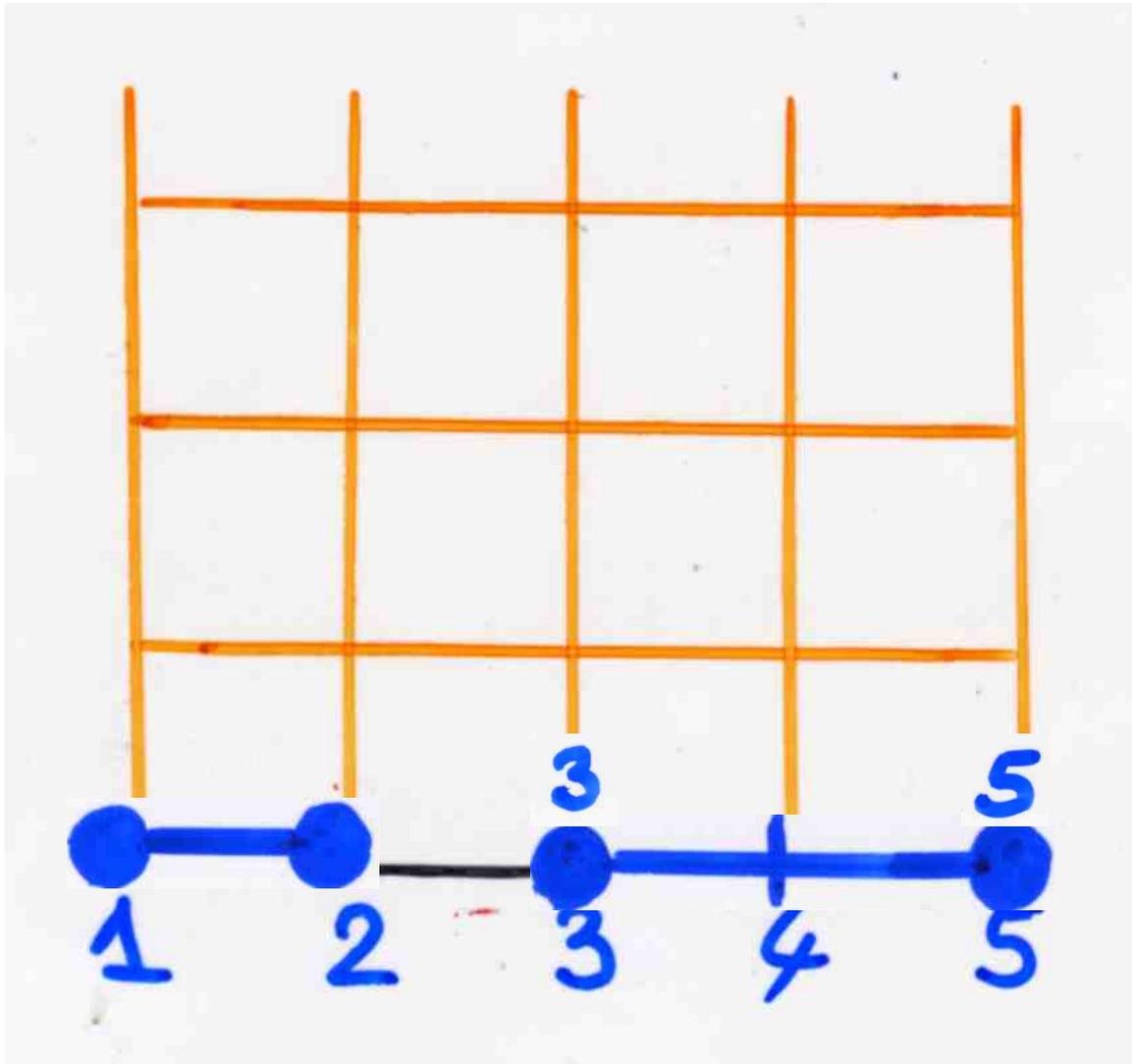
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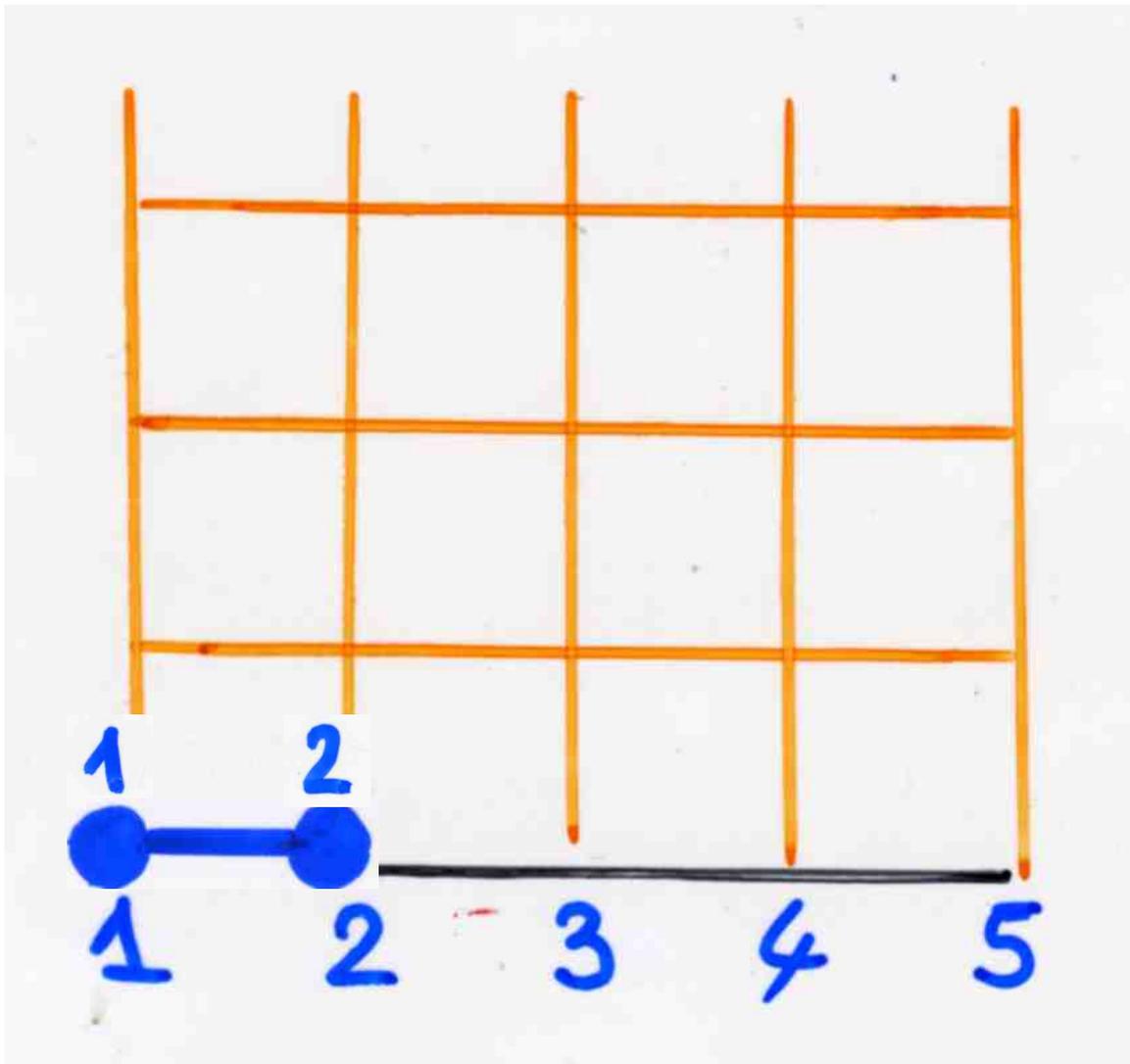
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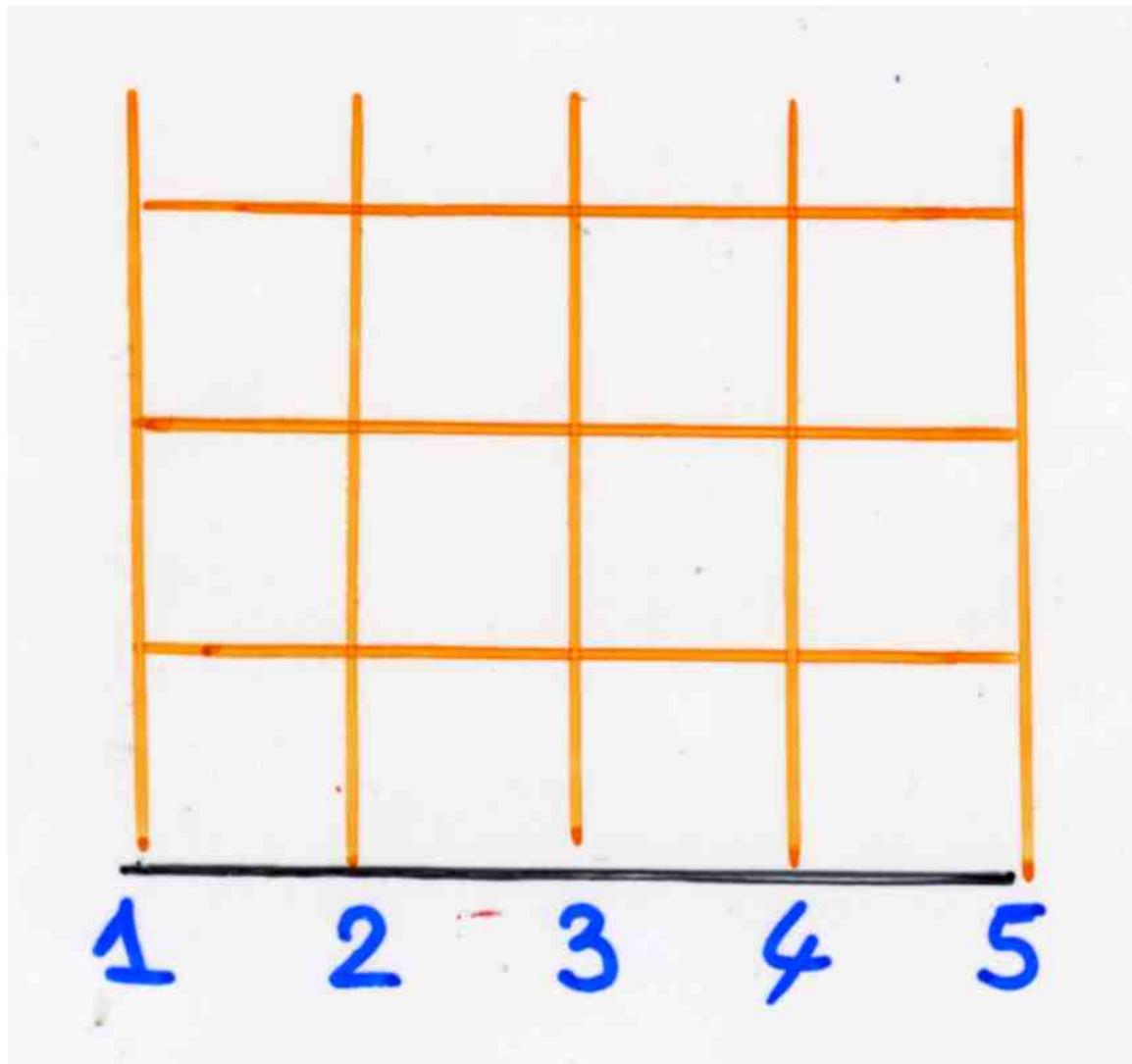
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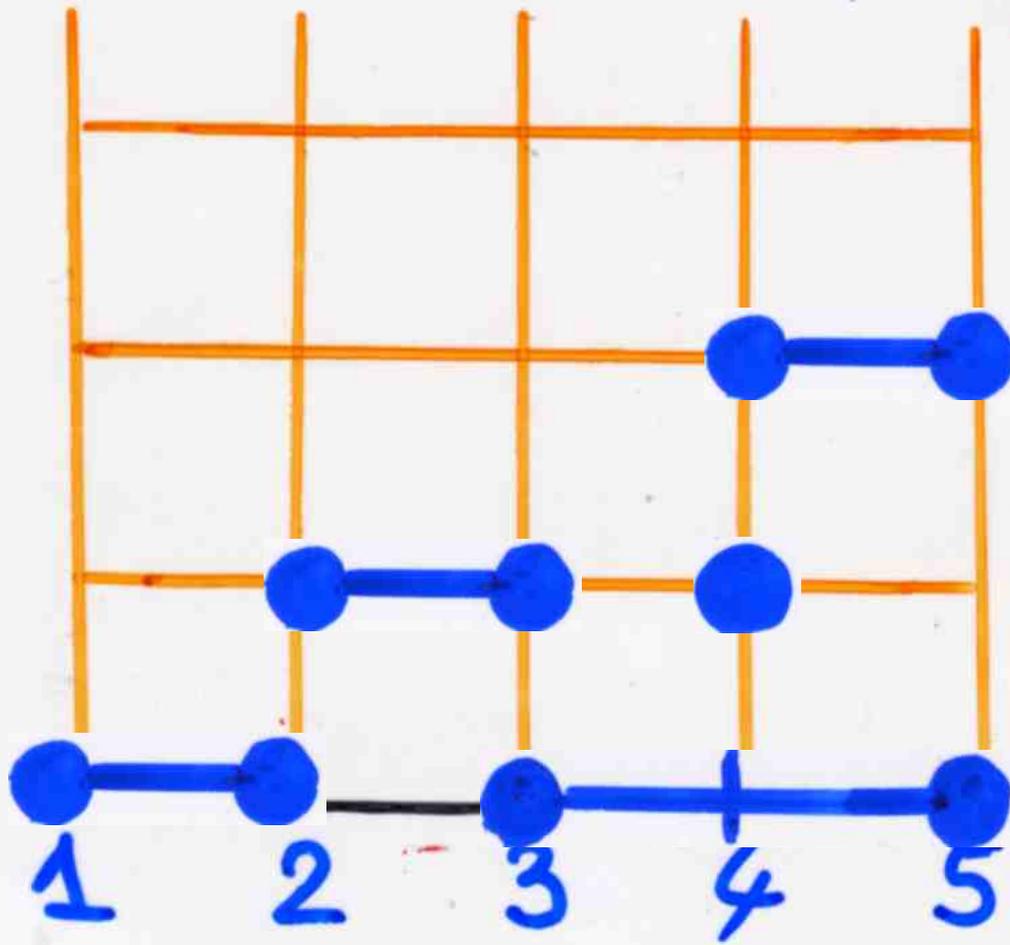
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right most
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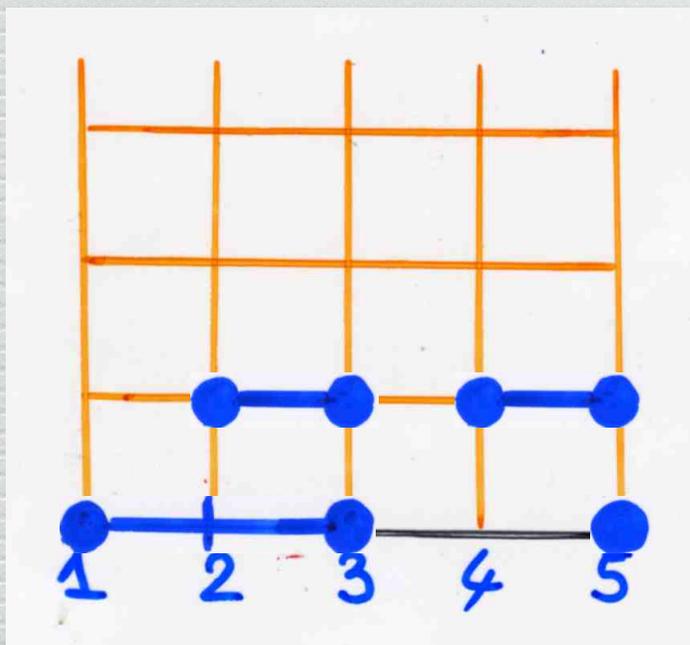
$$4 \leq 5 \geq 4 \leq 4 \geq 2 \leq 3 \geq 3 \leq 5 \geq 1 \leq 2$$

alternating sequence

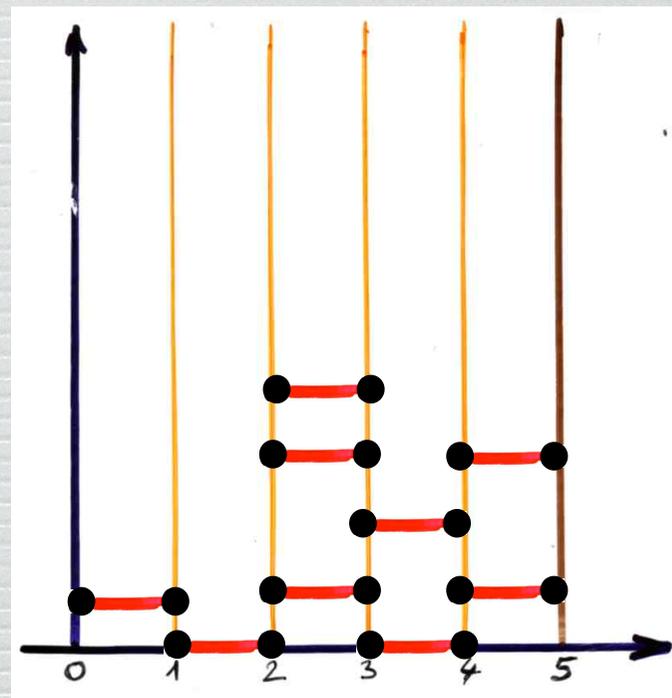
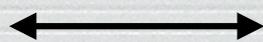


$$1 \leq a_i \leq k$$

$$4 \leq 5 \geq 4 \leq 4 \geq 2 \leq 3 \geq 3 \leq 5 \geq 1 \leq 2$$



reciprocity



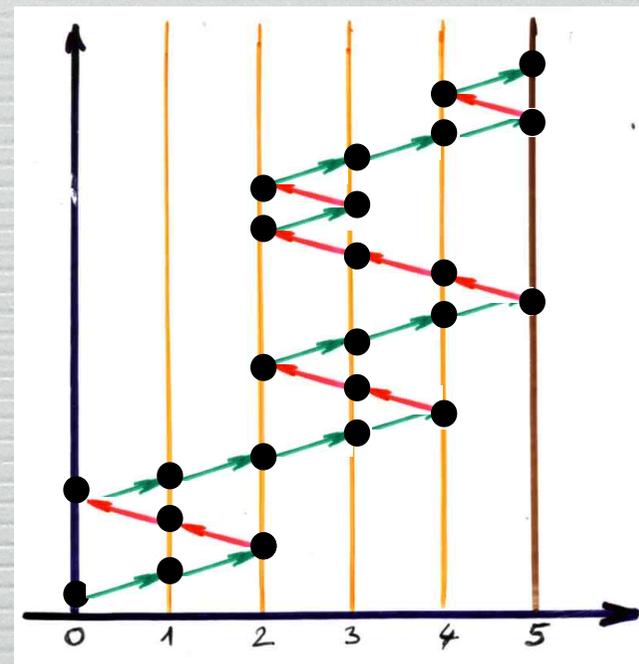
alternating sequence

duality

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \leq a_{2n}$$

(even case)

$$D_{2n}^{(k)} = C_{2n+k}^{(k)} \quad (0 \rightarrow k)$$

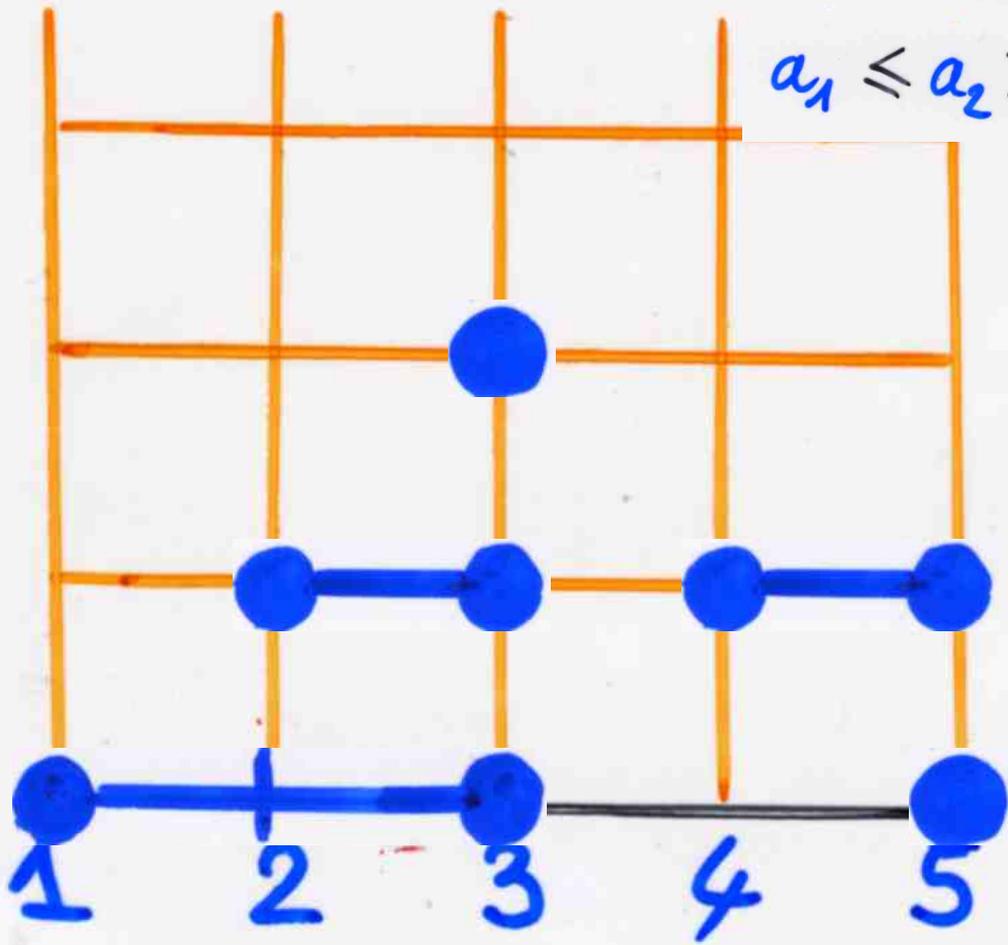


Bijection alternating sequences
heaps of segments

(odd case)

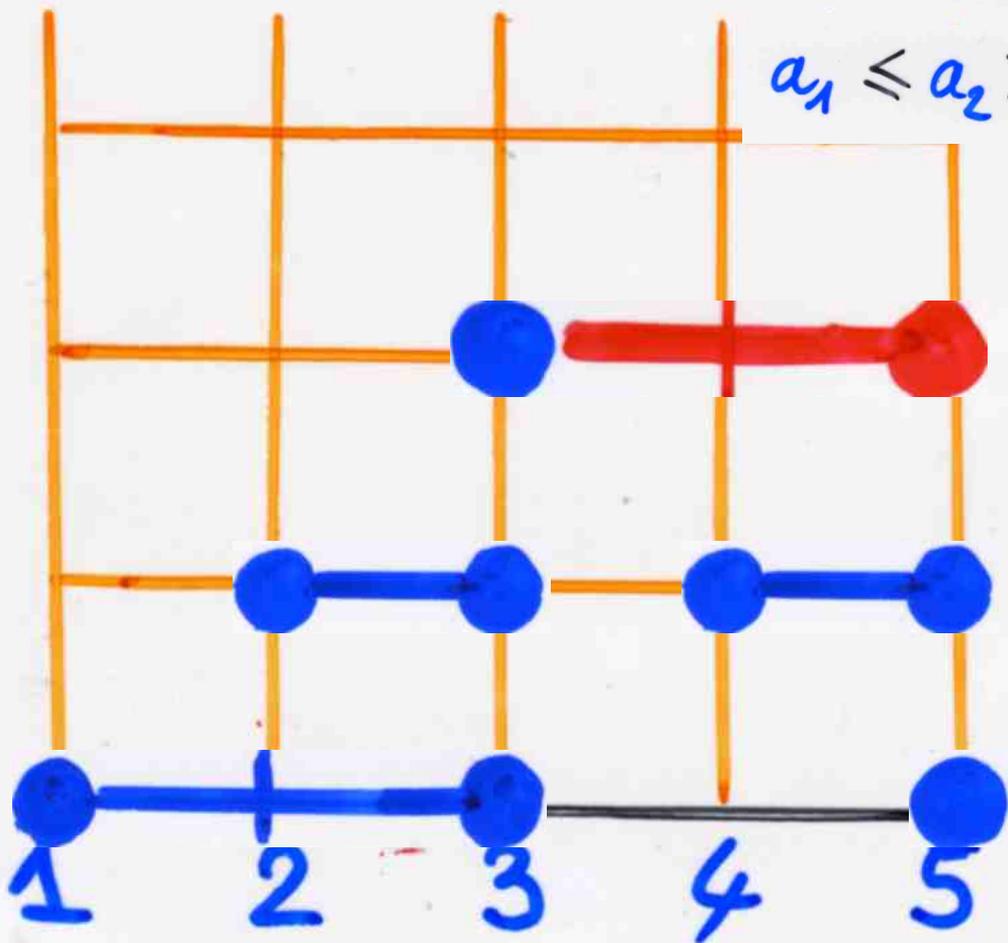
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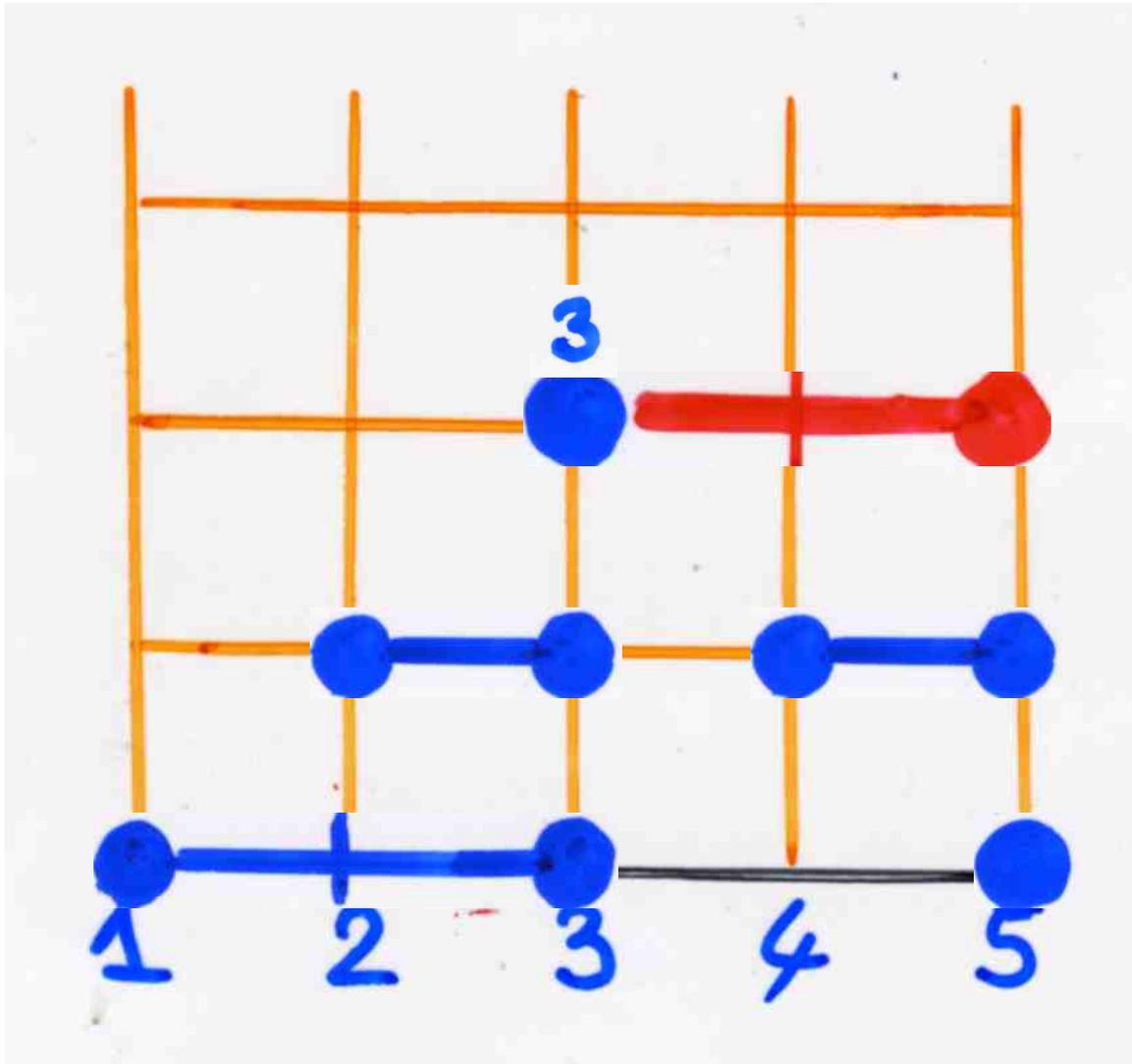
$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \geq a_{2n-1}$$



alternating sequence

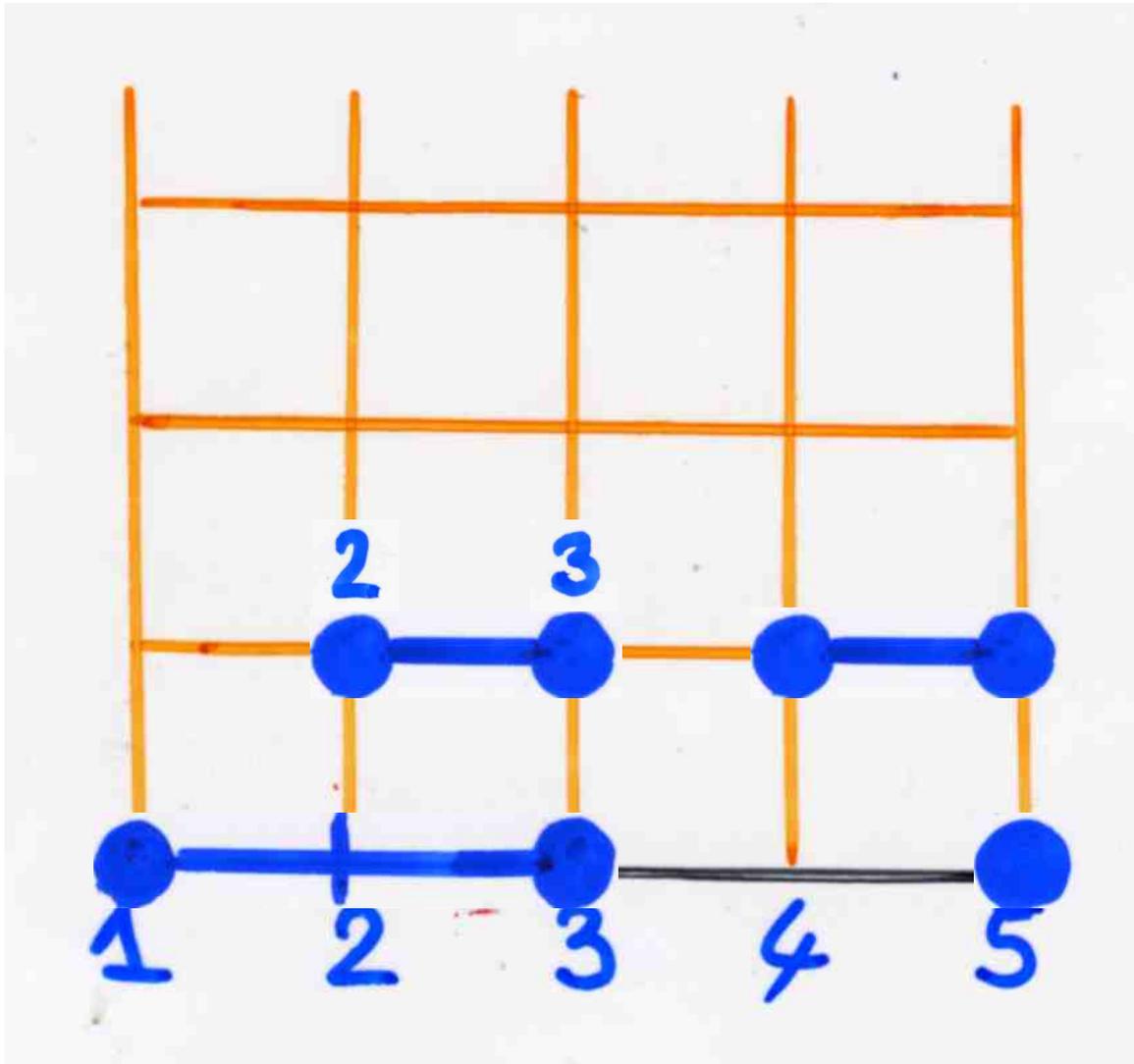
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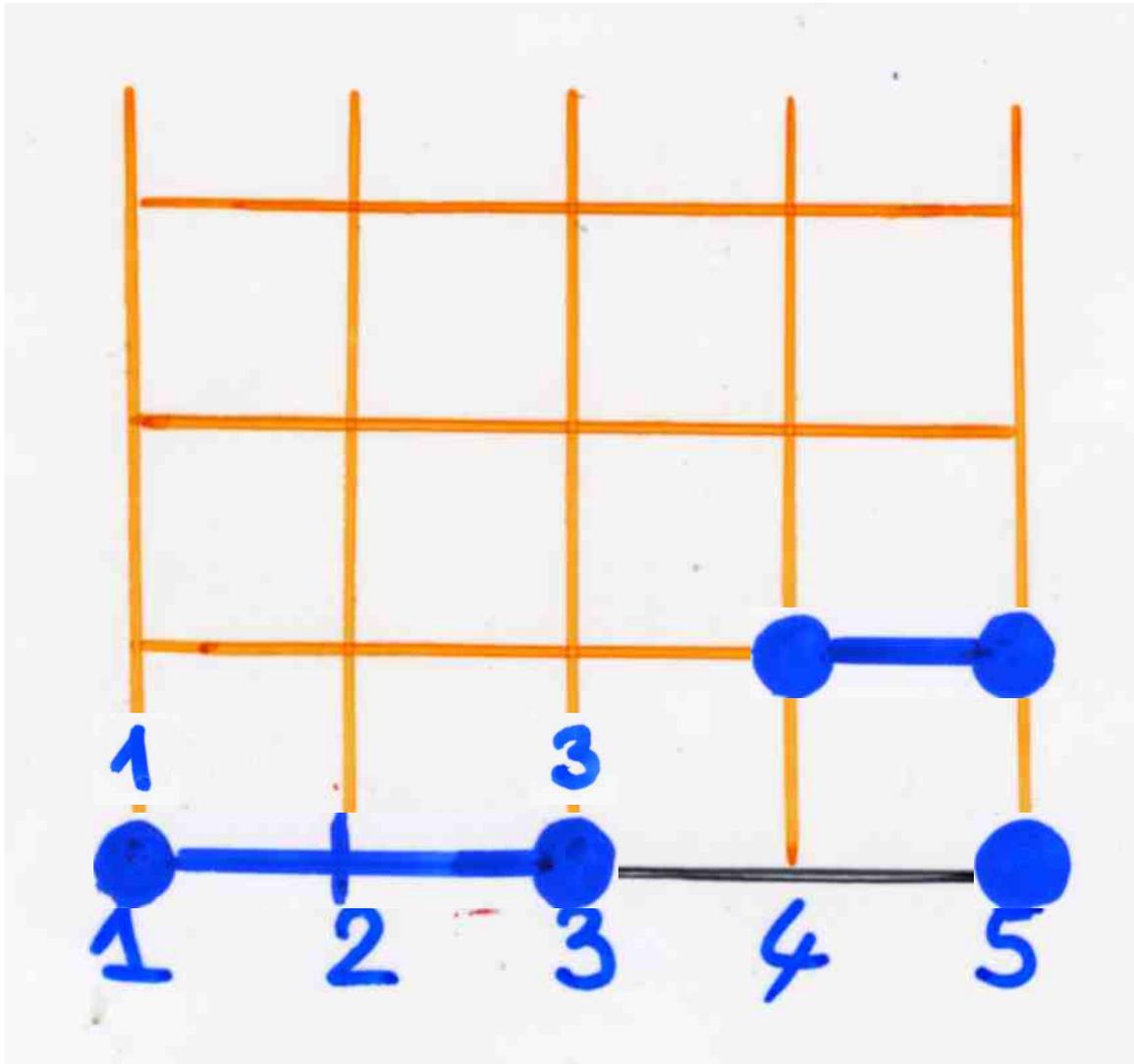


Left most
maximal piece

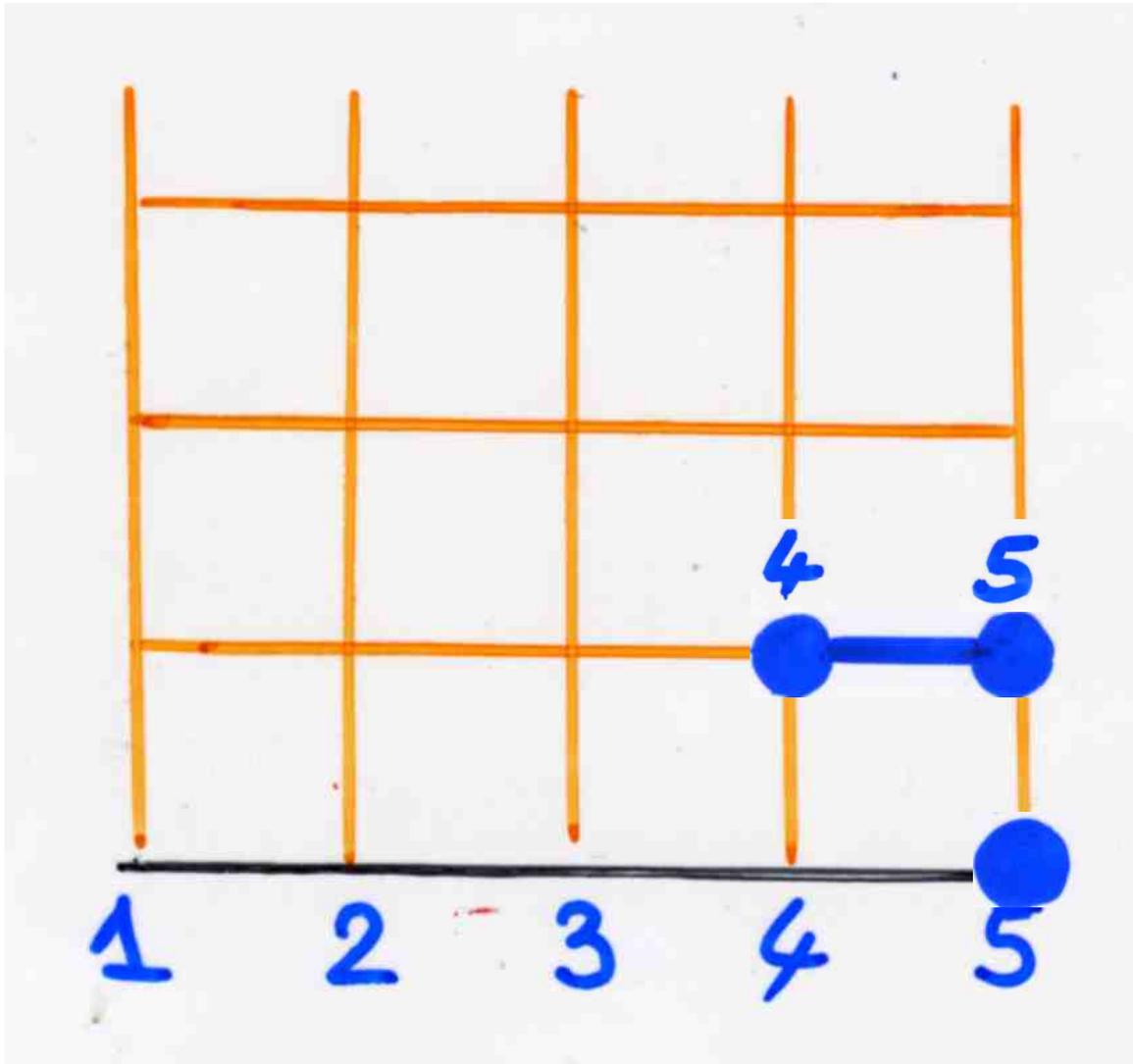
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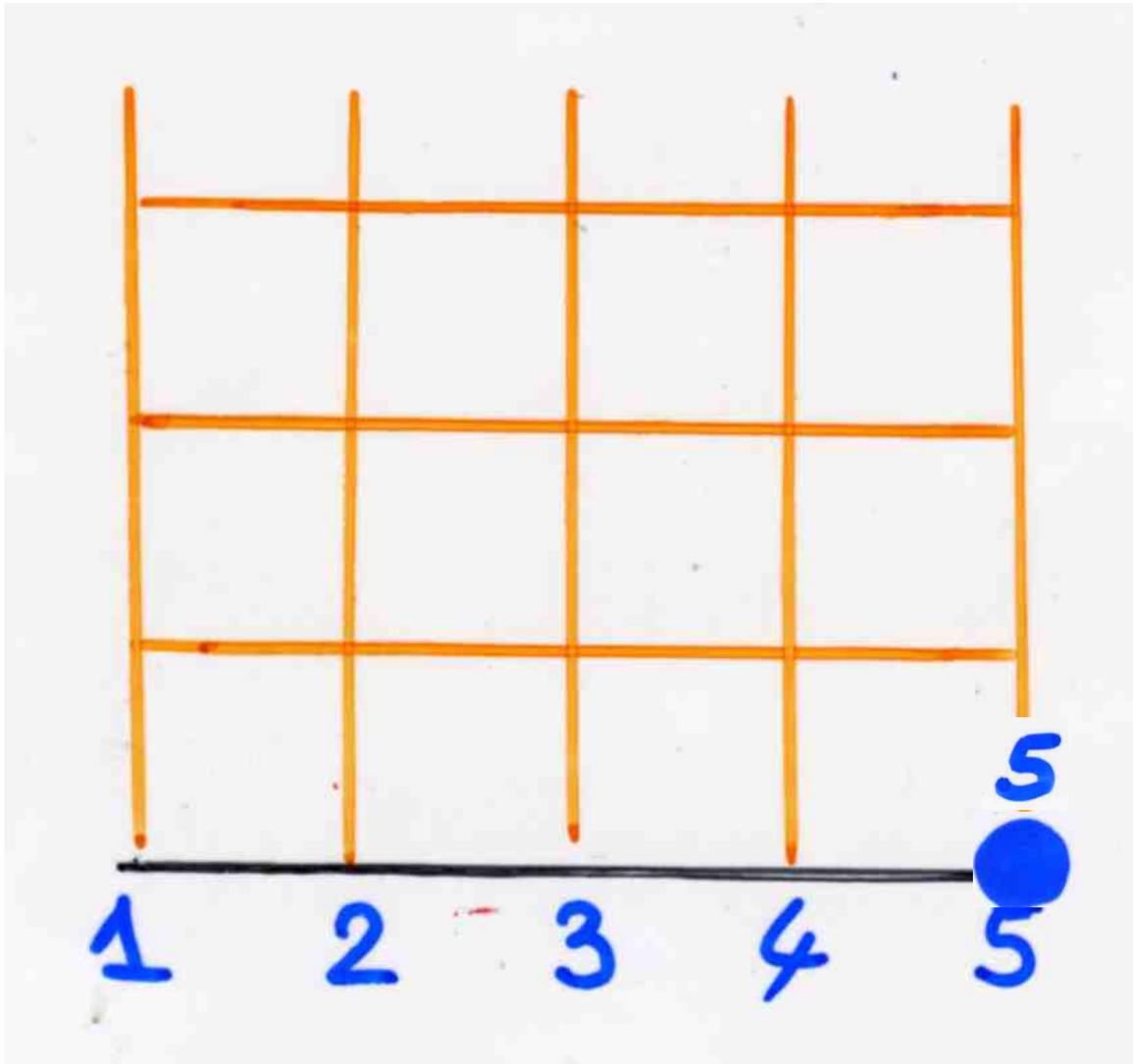
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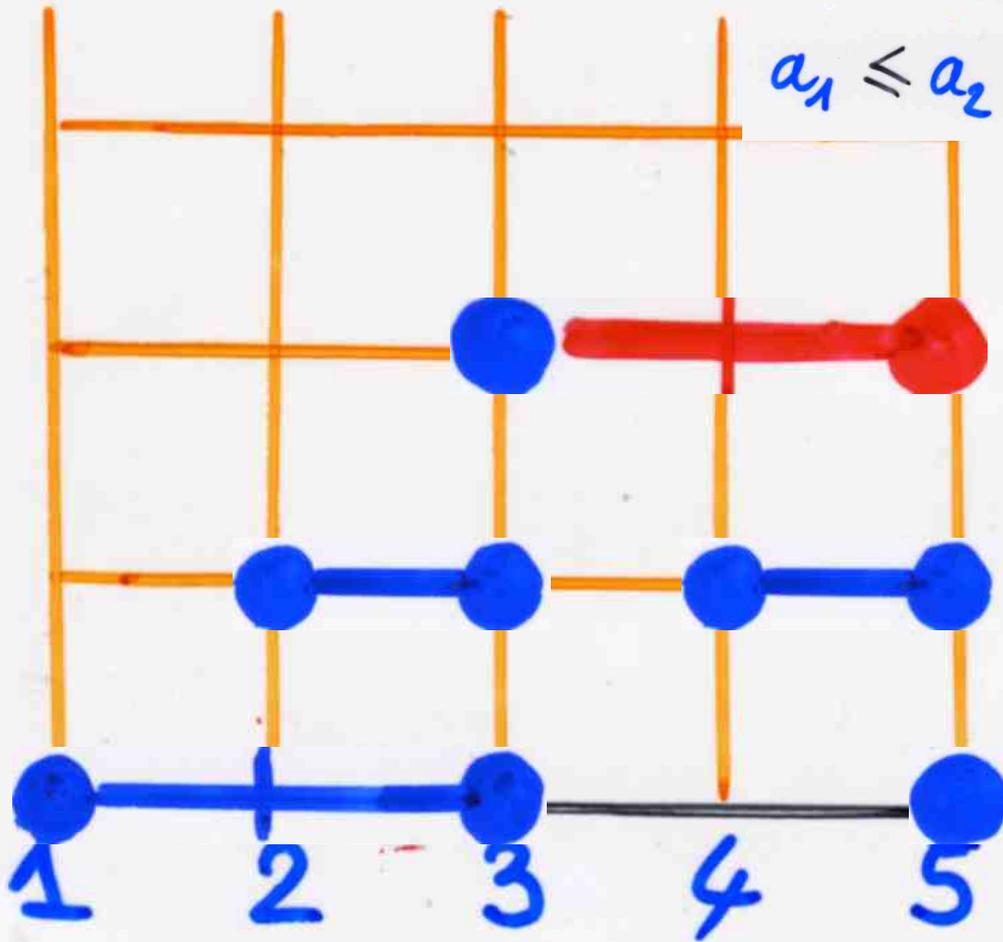
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alternating sequence

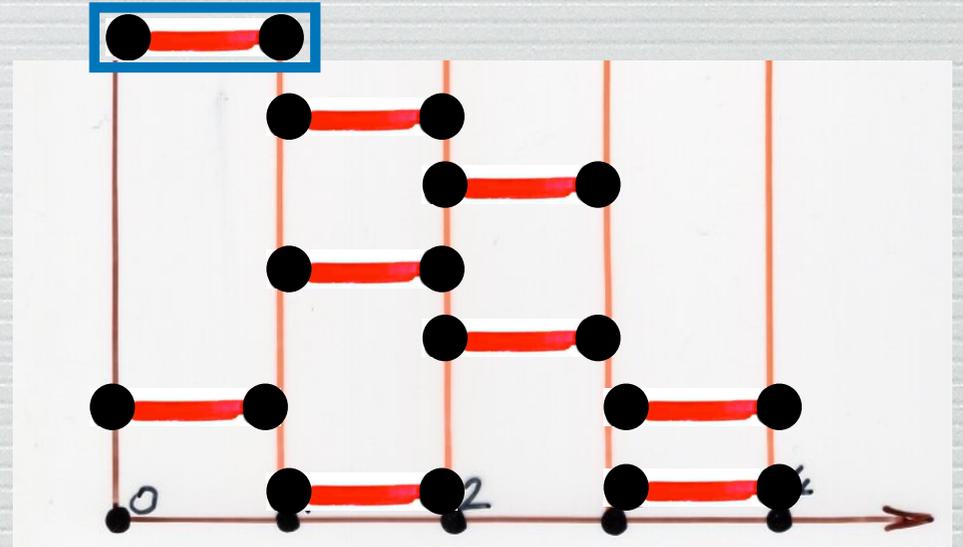
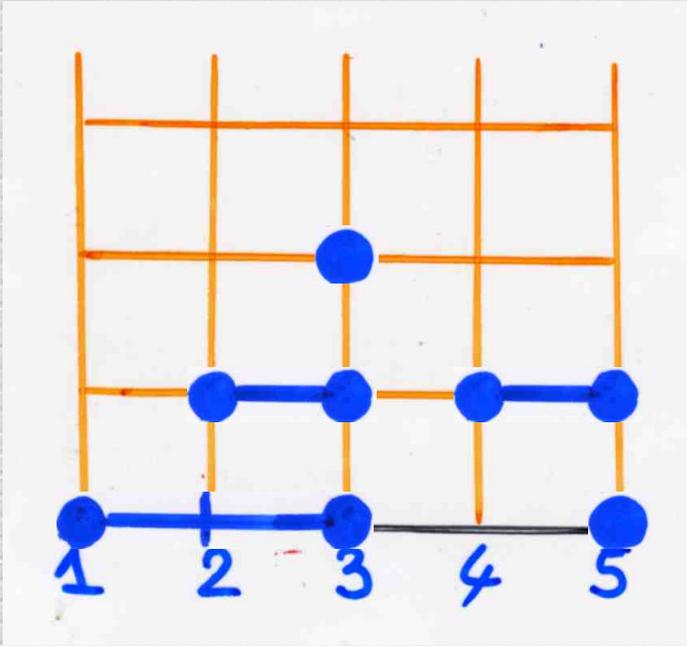
$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \geq a_{2n-1}$$



$$1 \leq a_i \leq k$$

$$3 \leq 3 \geq 2 \leq 3 \geq 1 \leq 5 \geq 4 \leq 5 \geq 5$$

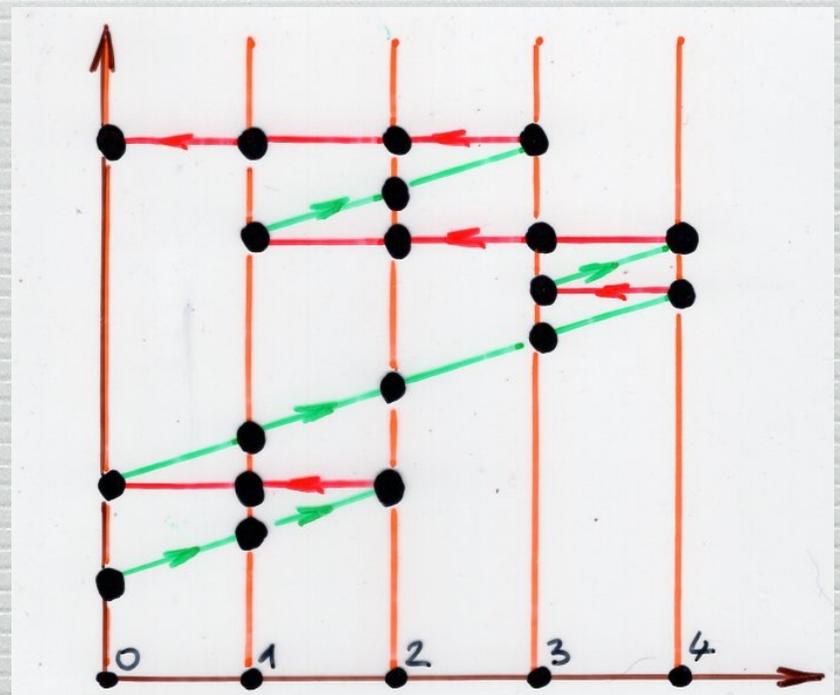
reciprocity



$$a_1 \leq a_2 \geq a_3 \leq a_4 \geq \dots \geq a_{2n-1}$$

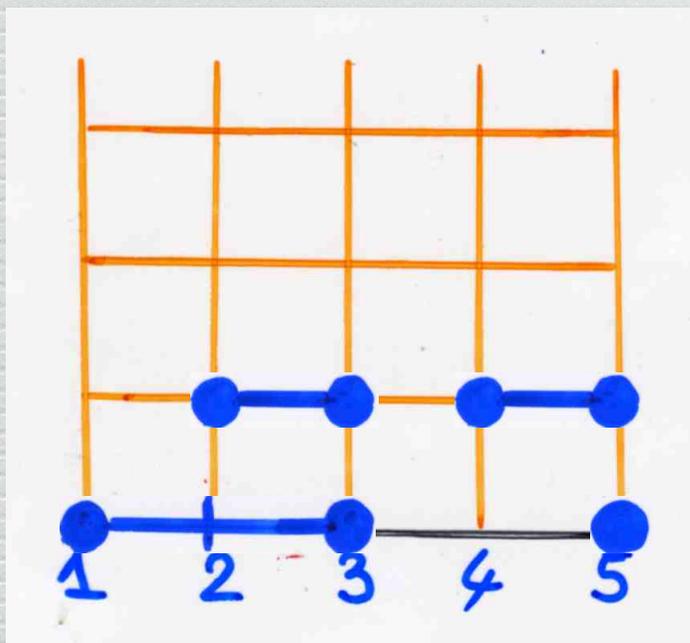
$$C_{2n}^{(k)}$$

duality
(odd case)

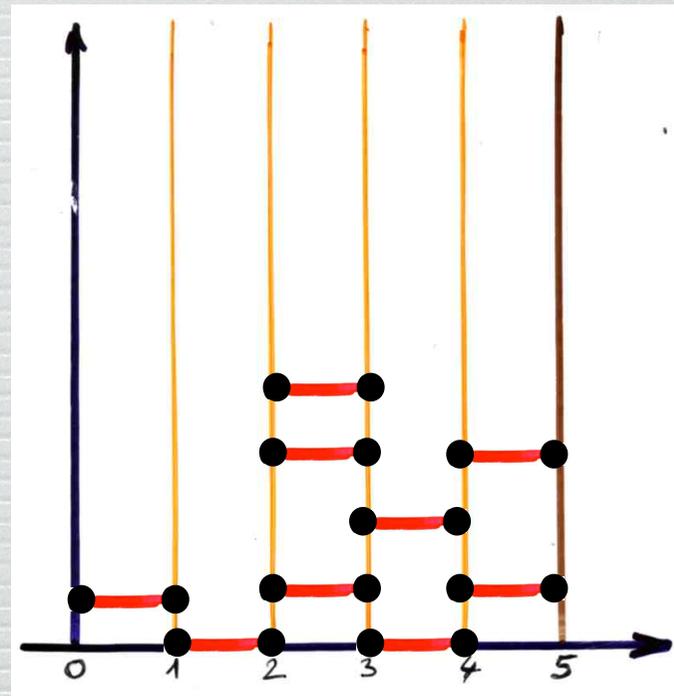
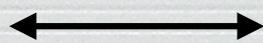


Taking the left most or
right most maximal piece.

Use it later ...



reciprocity



duality

(even case)

$$-\mathcal{F}(1/t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} a_{-n} t^n$$

$$\mathcal{F}(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n t^n$$

Second basic lemma on heaps:
the inversion lemma

1/D

the inversion lemma

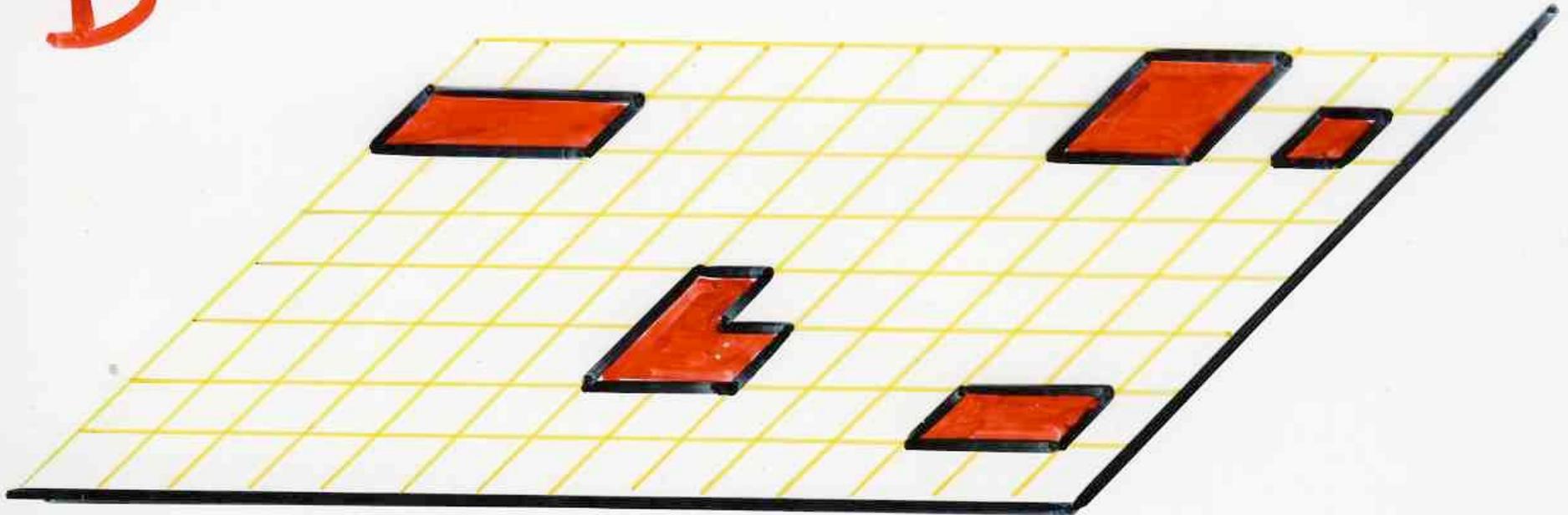
$$(\text{Heaps}) = \frac{1}{(\text{Trivial heaps})}$$

trivial
heap

F

all pieces (α, i)
at level \circ

D



weight
valuation

$v(E)$

• $v : \mathcal{P} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y, \dots]$
basic
piece

• $v(\alpha, i) = v(\alpha)$
piece

• $v(E) = \prod_{(\alpha, i) \in E} v(\alpha, i)$
heap

the inversion lemma

$$\left(\sum_E v(E) \right)$$

heaps

=

1

$$\left(\sum_F (-1)^{|F|} v(F) \right)$$

trivial
heaps

the inversion lemma

$$\left(\sum_{E \text{ heaps}} v(E) \right)$$

=

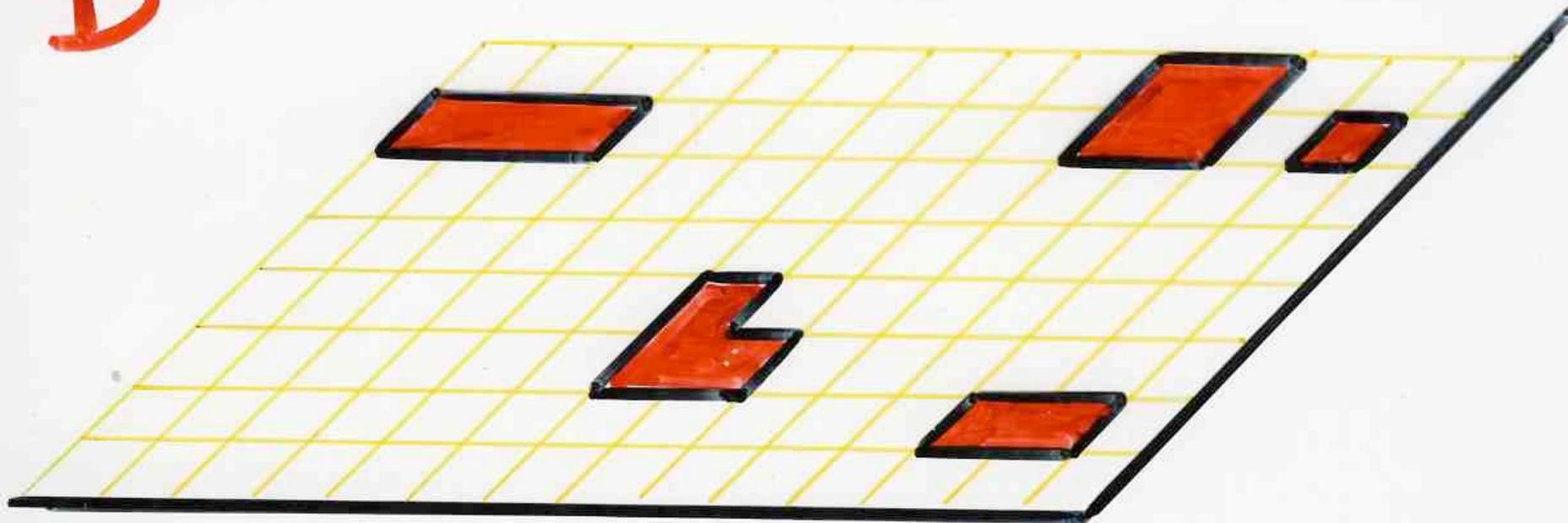
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$$\left(\sum_{F \text{ trivial heaps}} (-1)^{|F|} v(F) \right)$$

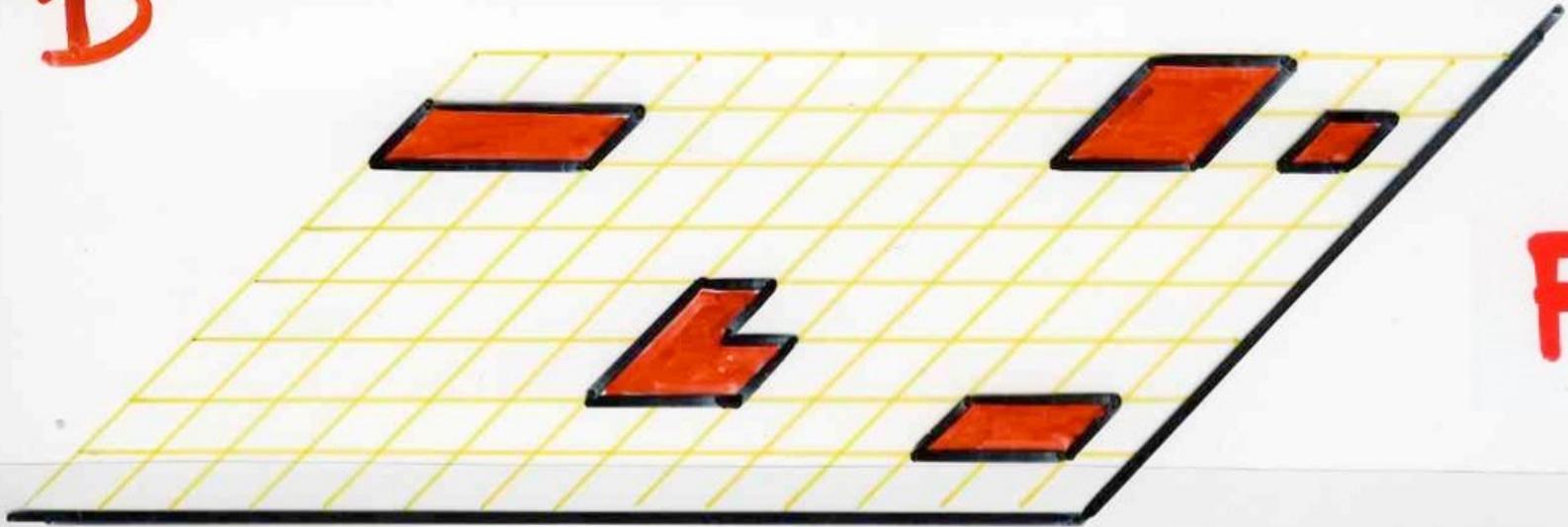
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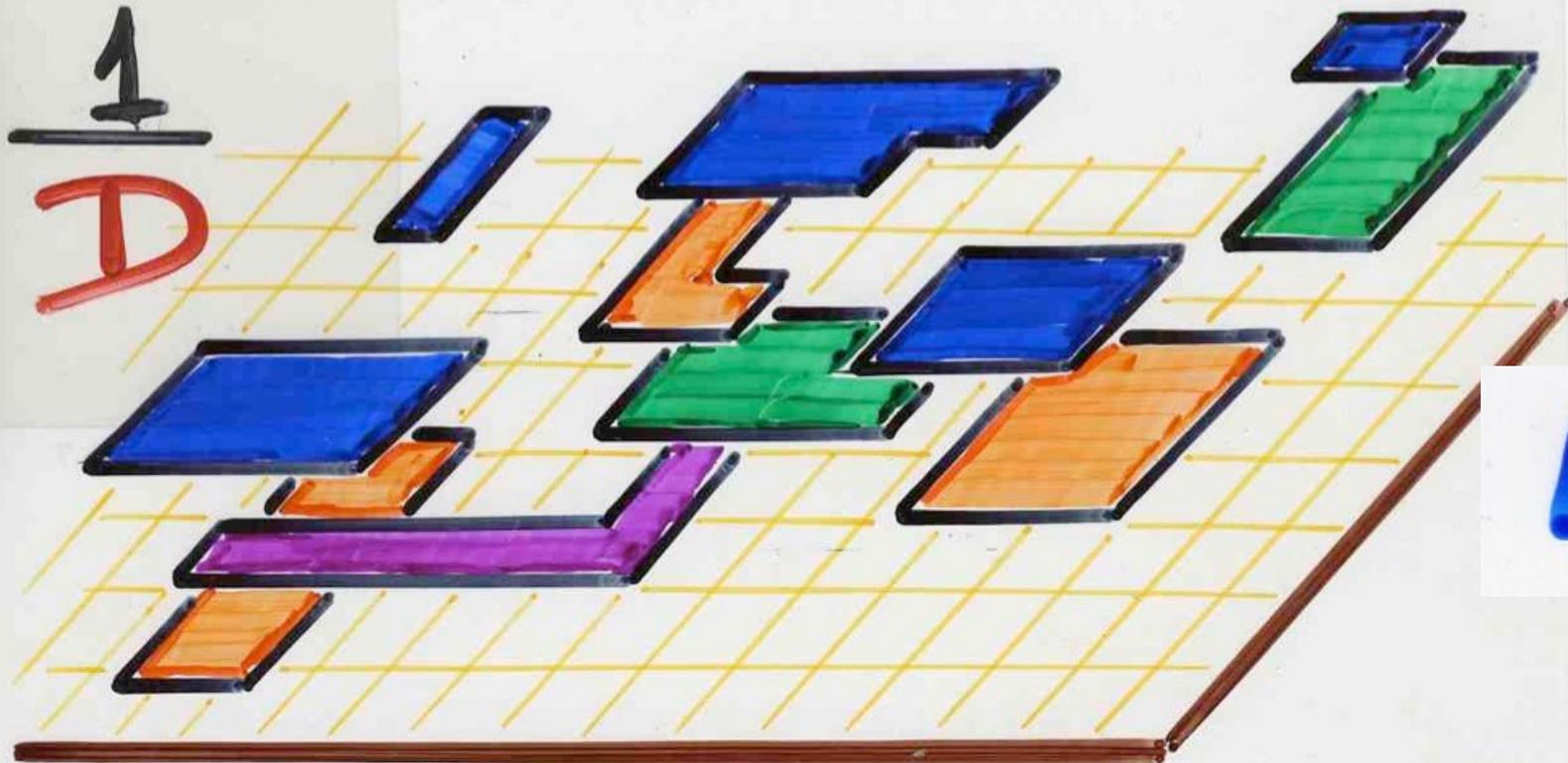


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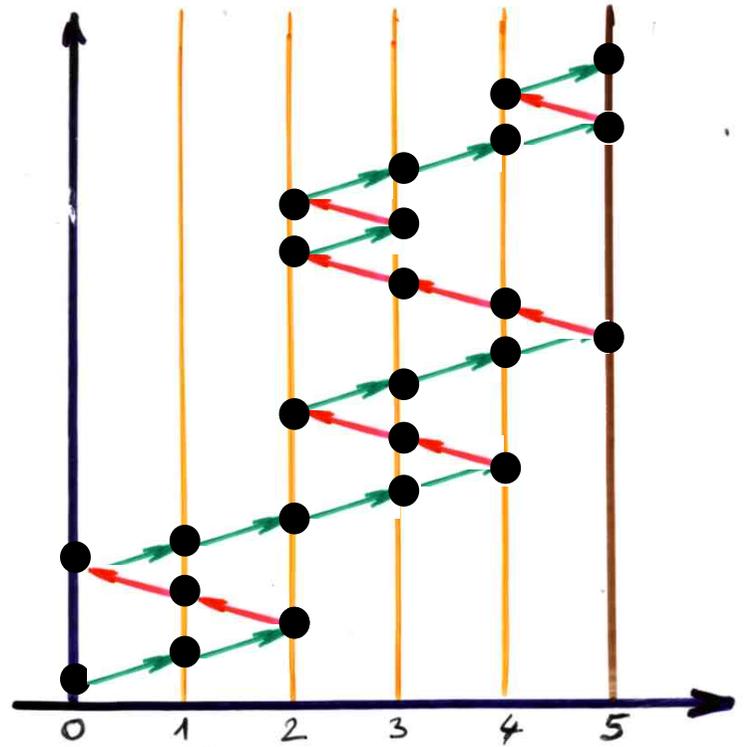
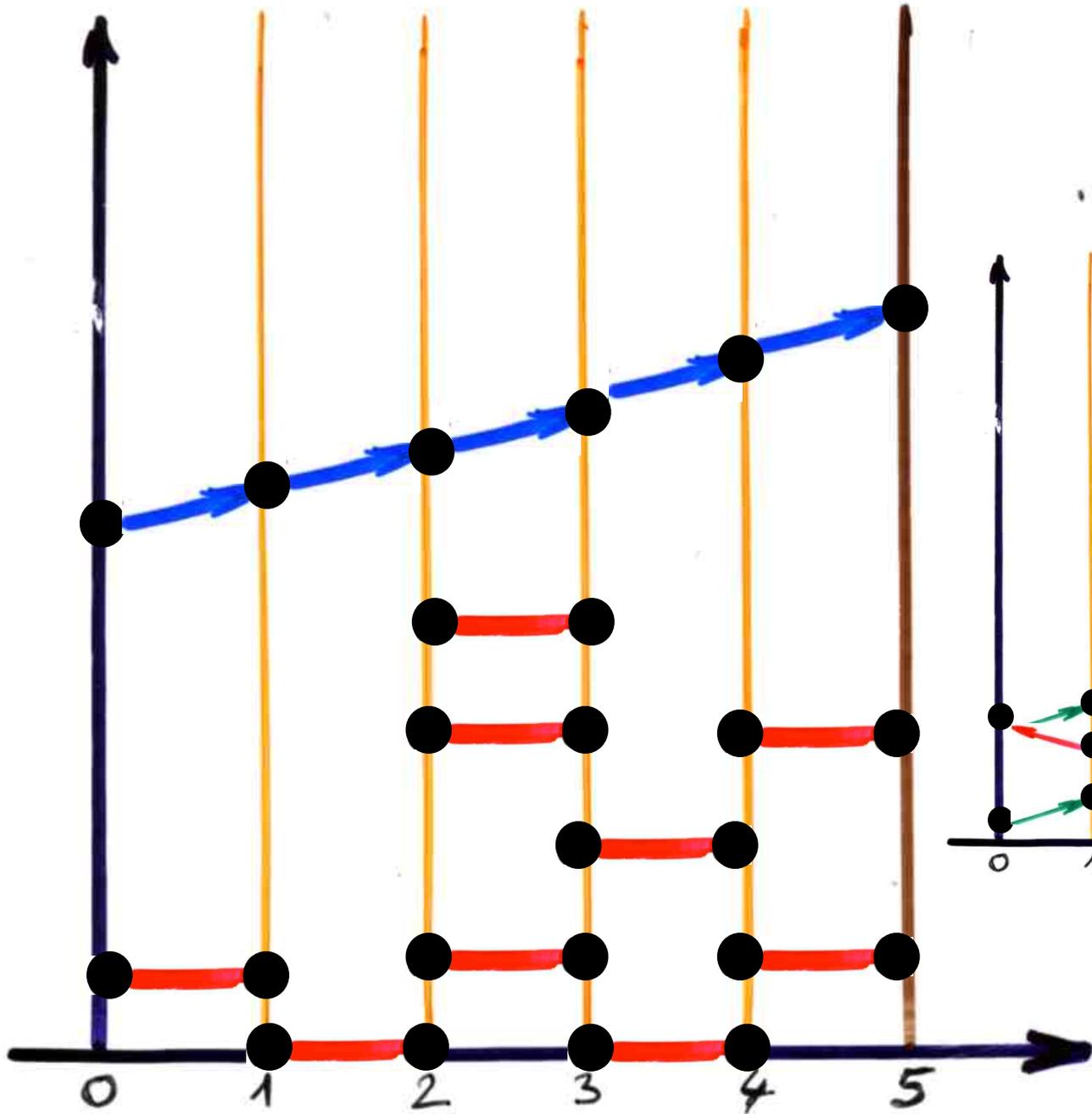
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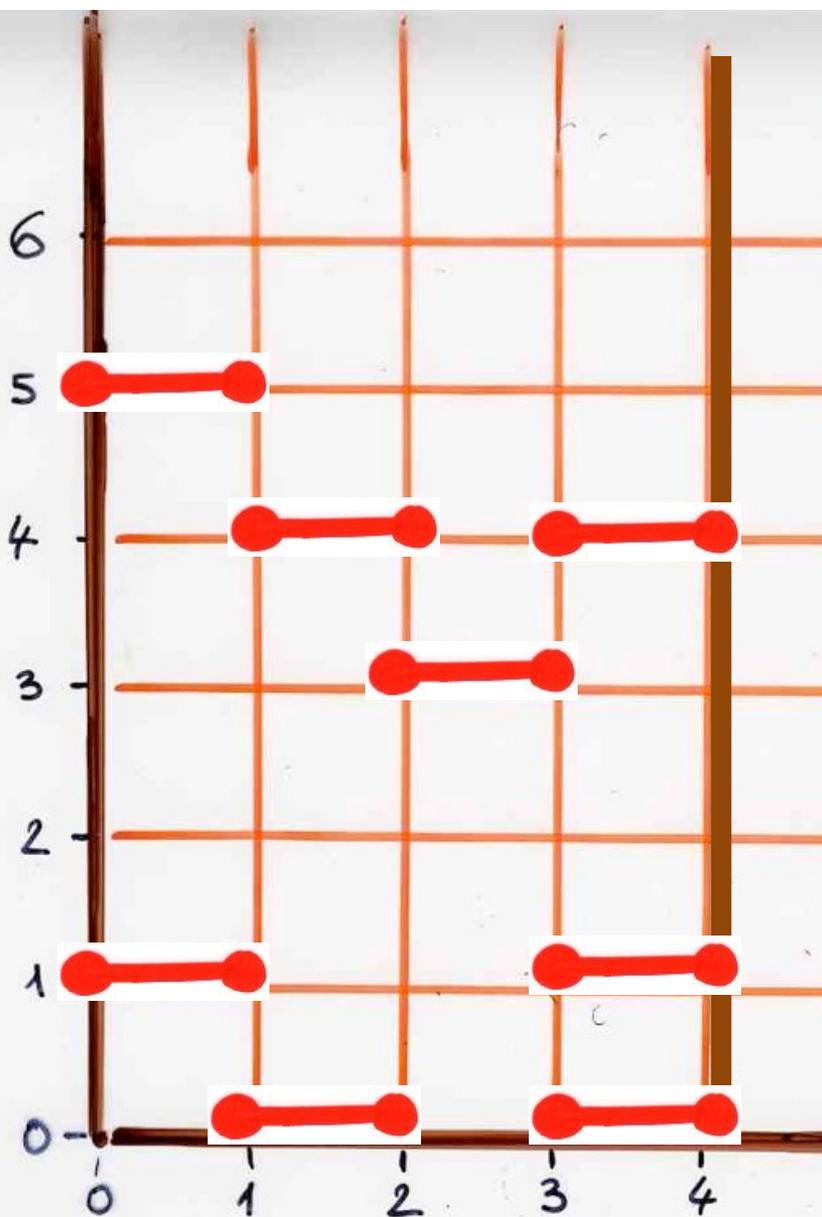


E

examples:

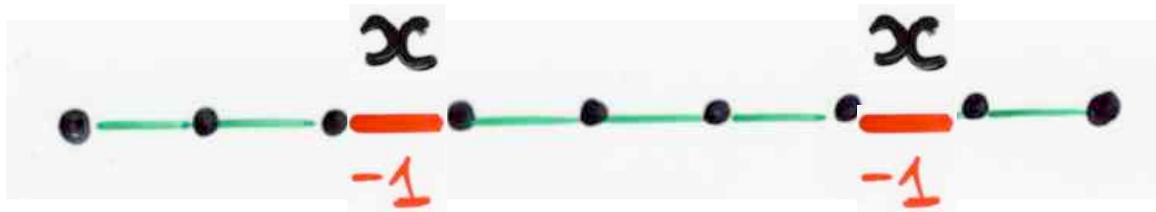
heaps of dimers
on a segment





generating function
of **heaps** of **dimers**
on the segment $[0, k]$
(enumerated by the
number of **dimers**)

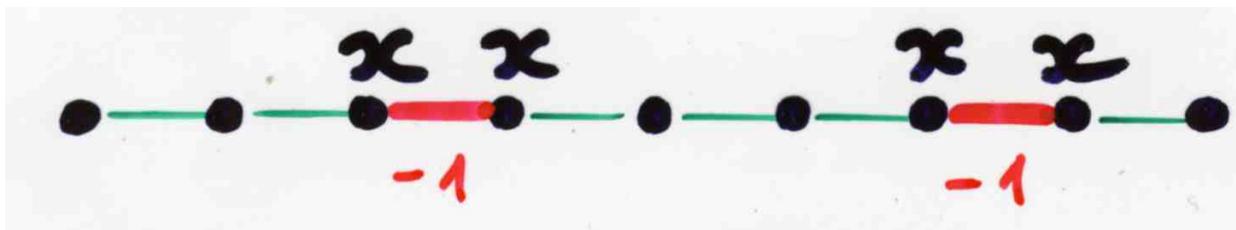
$$\frac{1}{F_{k+1}(t)}$$



$$F_n(x) = \sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^k a_{n,k} x^k$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha} (-x)^{|\alpha|}$$

matching
of $[0, n-1]$



$$F_n(x^2)$$

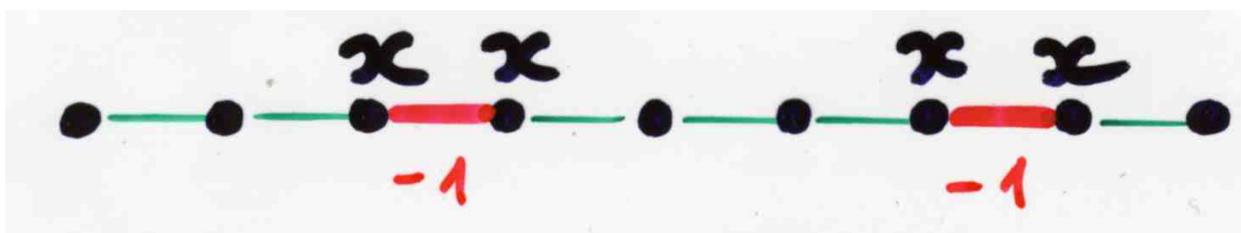
Reciprocity

reciprocity

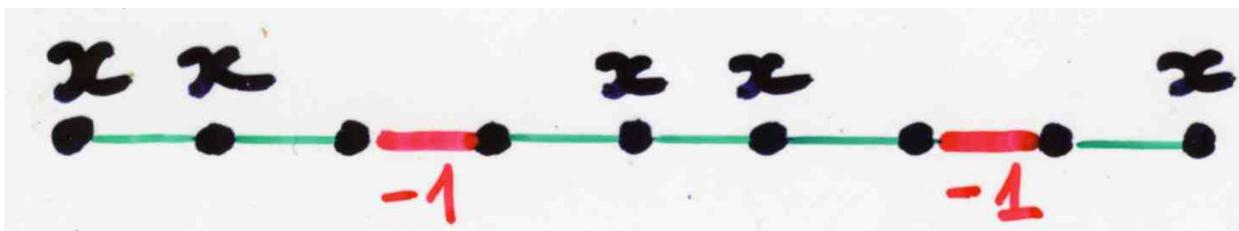
$$f(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n t^n$$

$$\frac{1}{F_n(z^2)}$$

$$-f(1/t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} a_{-n} t^n$$



$$F_n(x^2)$$



$$S_n(x)$$

$$S_n^*(x) = x^n S_n(1/x)$$

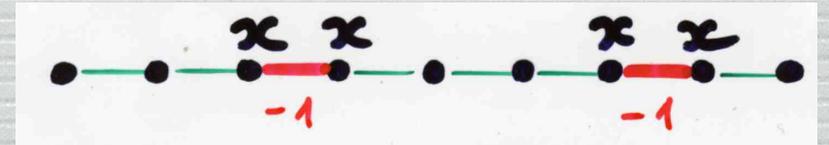
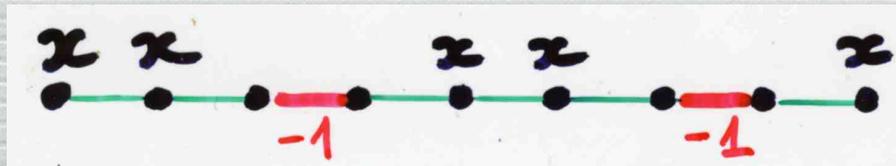
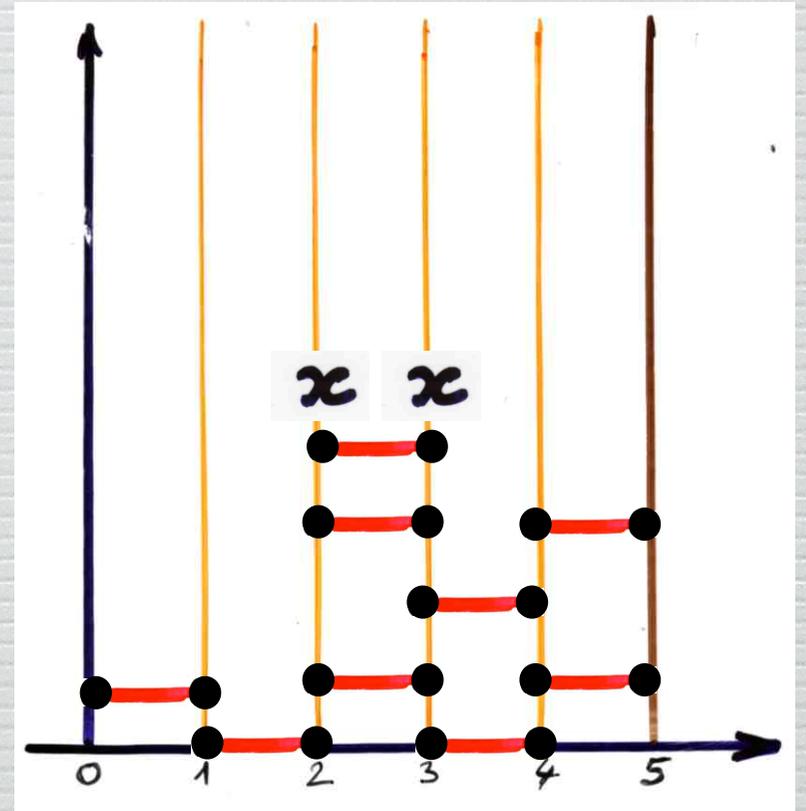
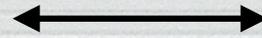
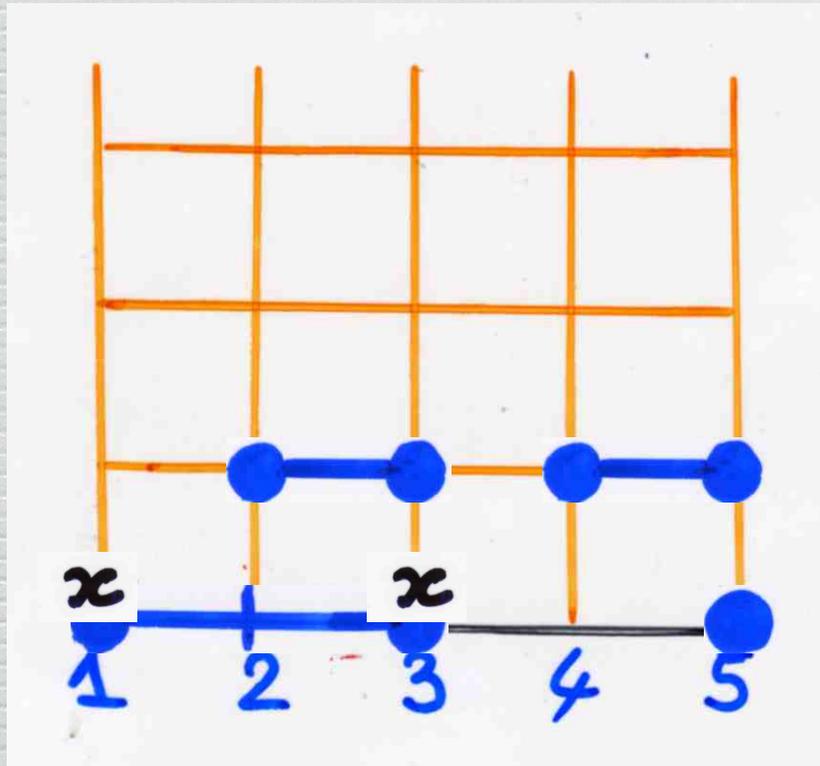
reciprocal
polynomial

$$= \sum_{\alpha} (-x^2)^{|\alpha|}$$

matching
of $[0, \dots, n-1]$

$$= F_n(x^2)$$

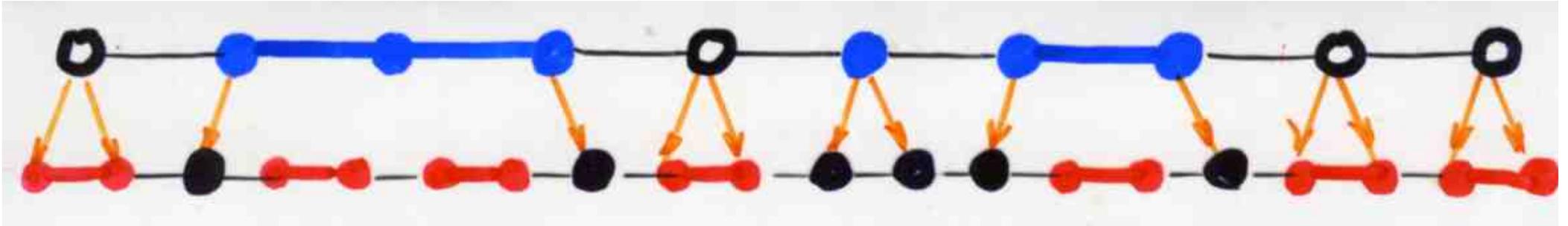
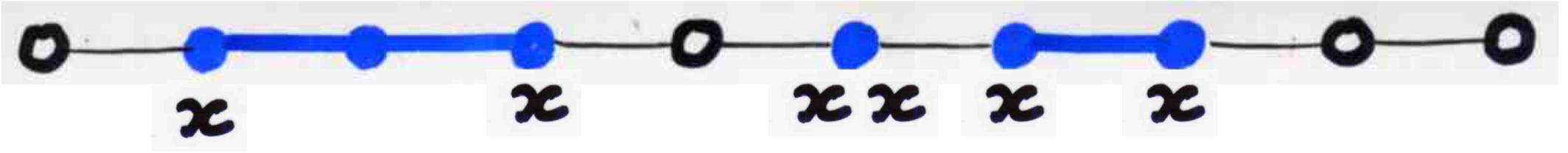
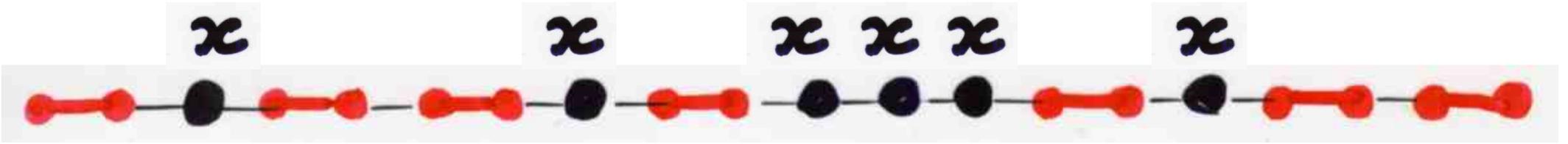
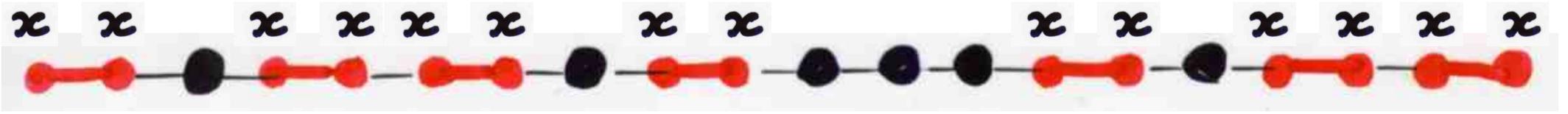
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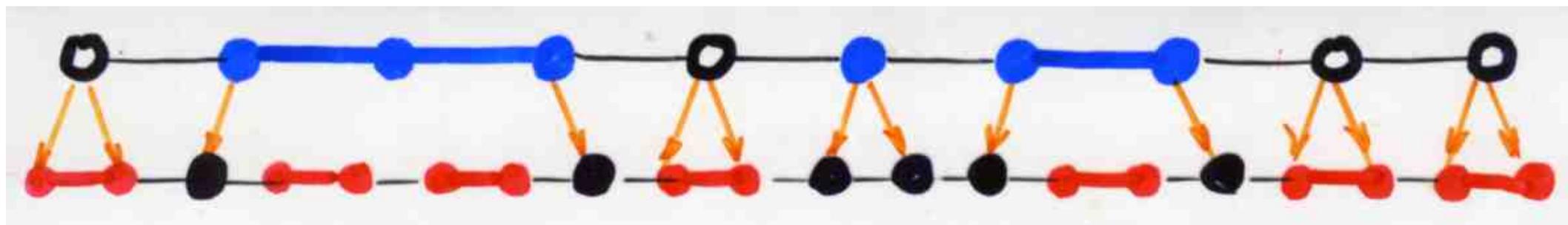


$$S_n(x)$$

$$F_n(z^2)$$

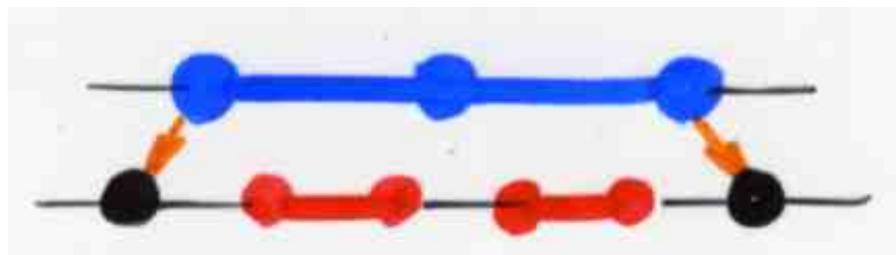
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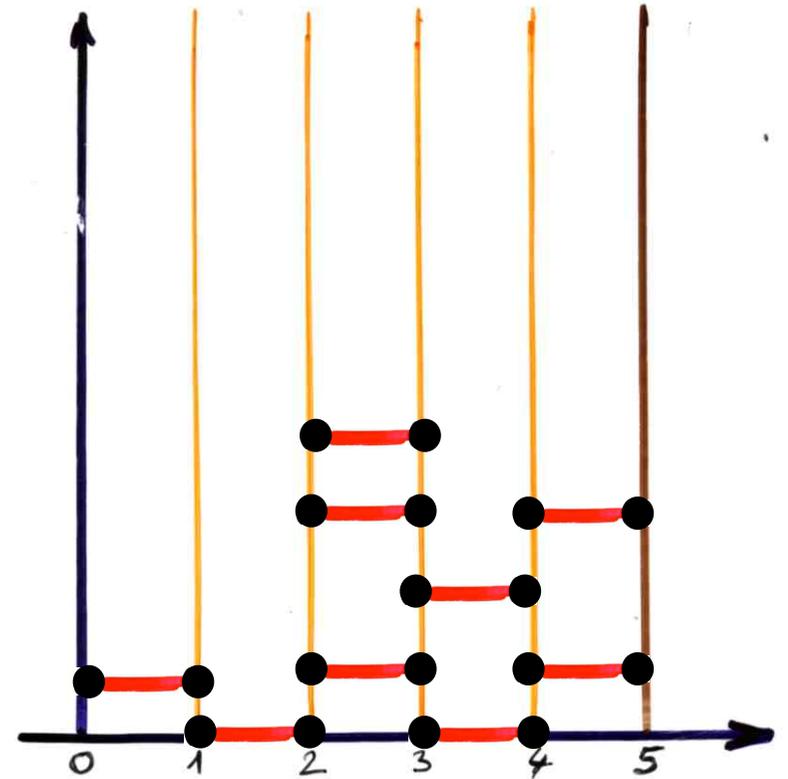
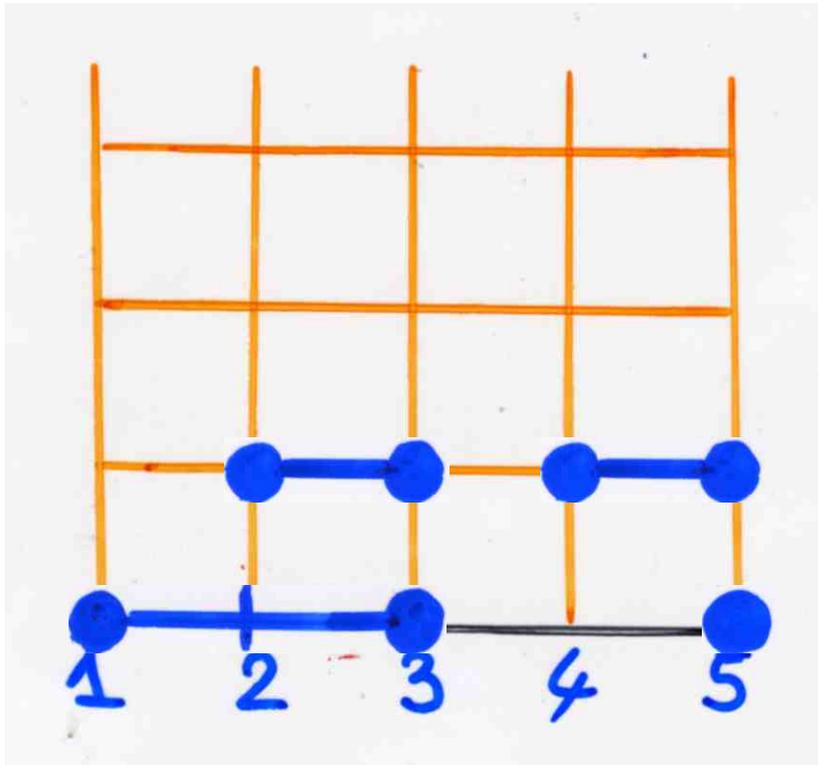


$$k = 10$$

$$2k = 20$$



reciprocity



$$\left| A^{(k)}_{2n} \right|$$

=

$$(-1)^{k+1} D^{(2k-1)}_{-2n-2k}$$



Fibonacci
and
Tchebychev polynomials

$$\sin((n+1)\theta) = \sin \theta U_n(\cos \theta)$$

$U_n(x)$

Tchebycheff
polynomial 2nd kind

$$U_n(x) = S_n(2x)$$

$$S_n^*(x) = x^n S_n(1/x)$$

$$= F_n(x^2)$$

About Tchebychev and Fibonacci polynomials

More details in the video-book « ABjC », Part I,

An introduction to enumerative, algebraic and bijective combinatorics

IMSc, Chennai, 2016, Chapter 1c, pp 30-49

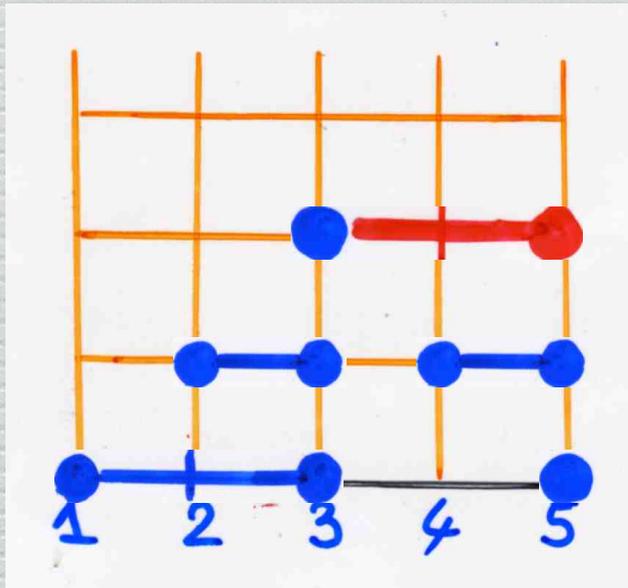
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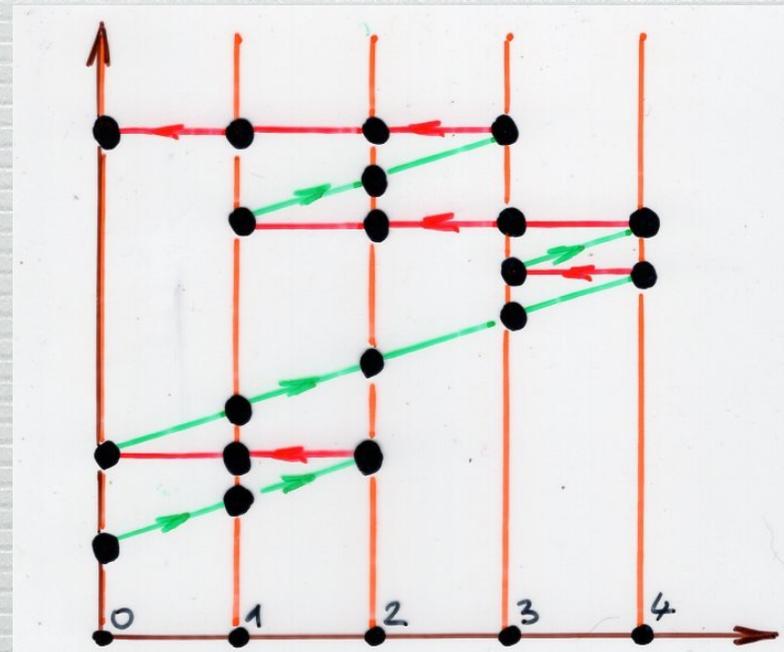
$$\left| A_{2n-1}^{(k)} \right|$$

=

$$C_{-2n}^{(2k-1)}$$



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reciprocity (odd case)

extension of the inversion lemma

N/D

extension of the inversion lemma

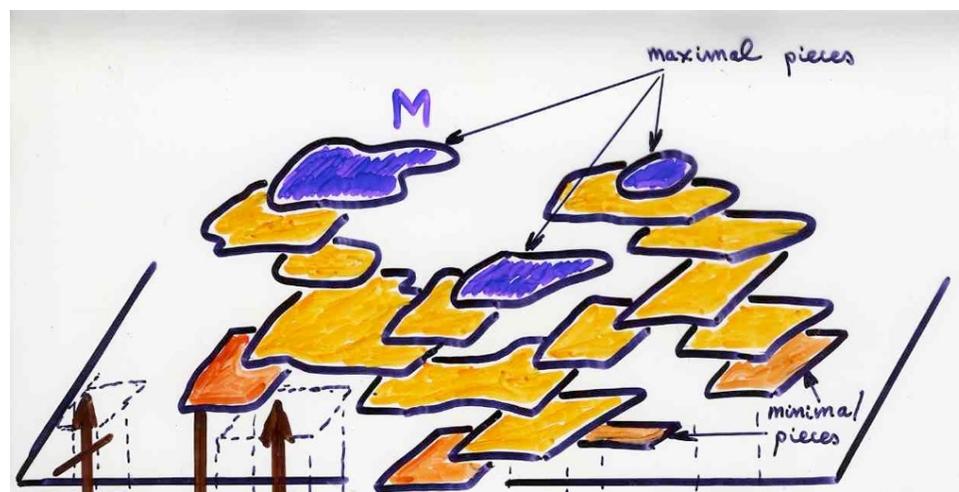
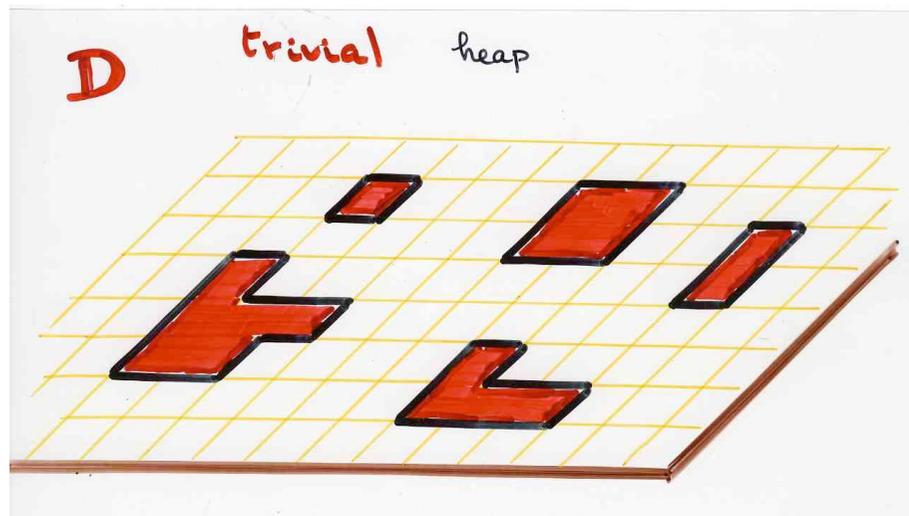
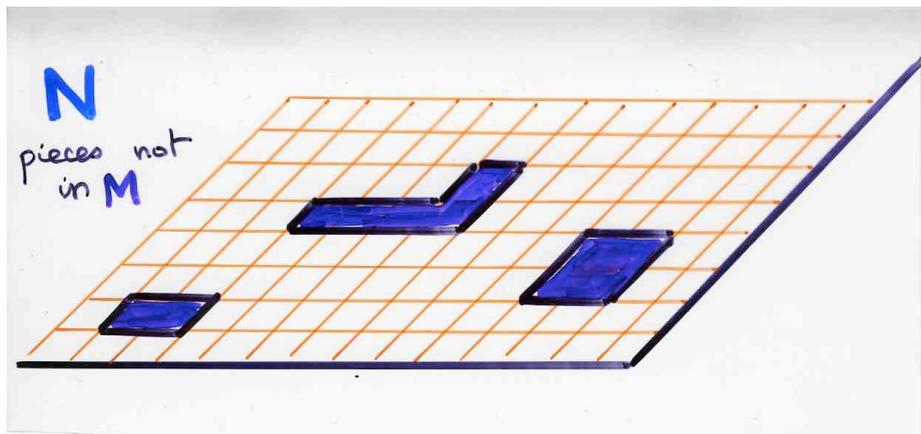
$$M \subseteq P$$

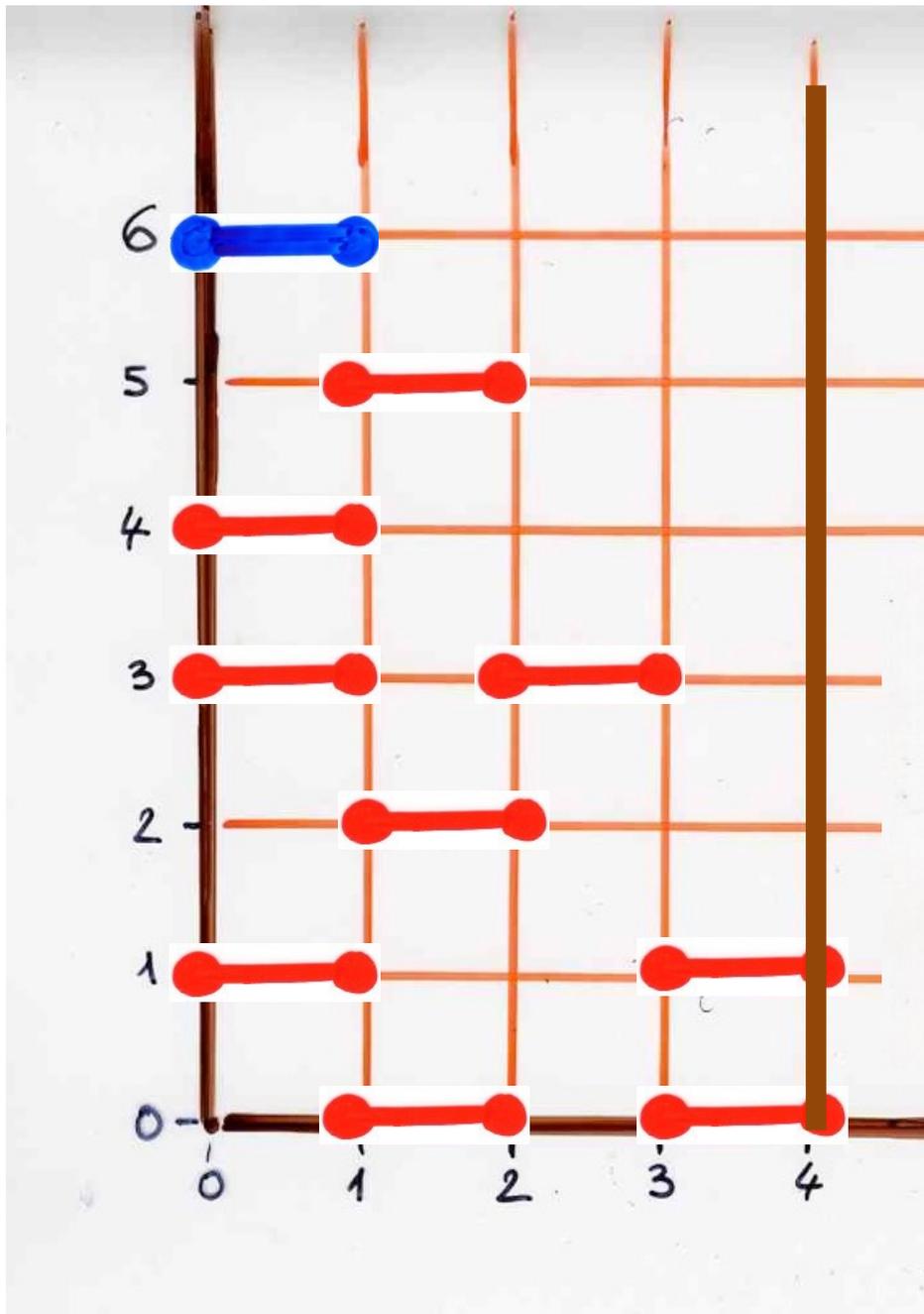
$$\sum_{E} v(E) = \frac{N}{D}$$

$$\pi(\text{maximal pieces}) \in M$$

$$D = \sum_{\substack{F \\ \text{trivial heaps}}} (-1)^{|F|} v(F)$$

$$N = \sum_{\substack{F \\ \text{trivial heaps} \\ \text{pieces} \notin M}} (-1)^{|F|} v(F)$$





$$\frac{F_k(t)}{F_{k+1}(t)}$$

generating function
of semi-pyramids of dimers
on the segment $[0, k]$
(enumerated by the
number of dimers)

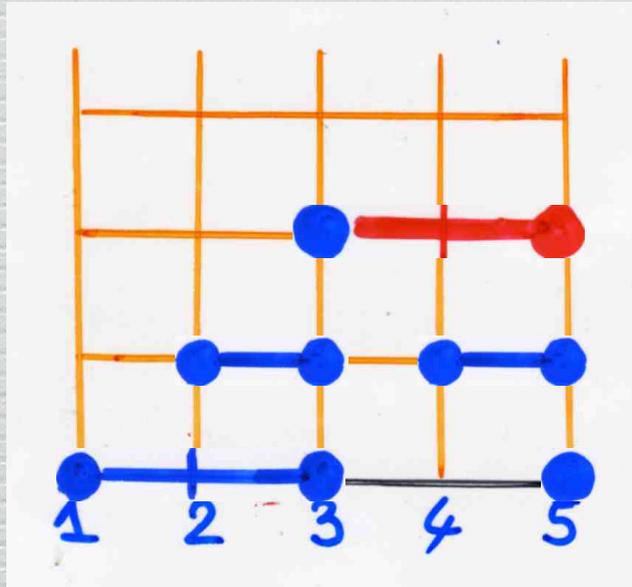
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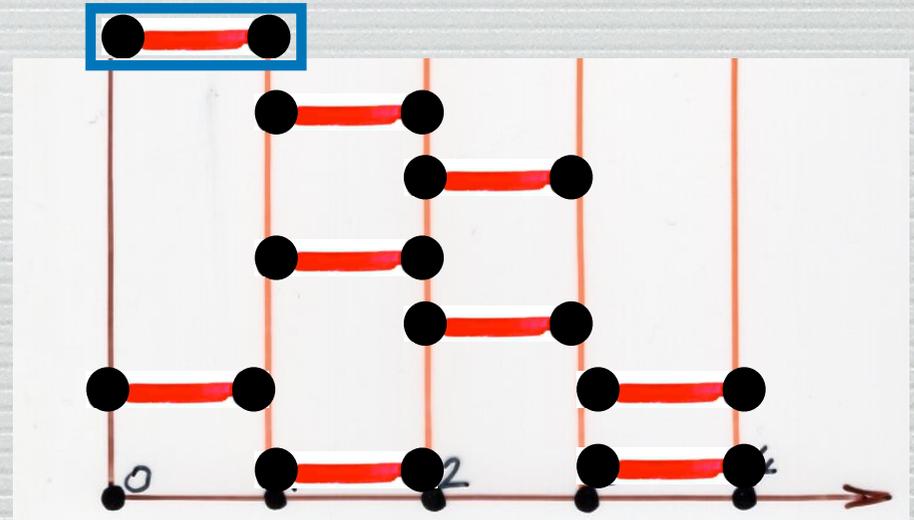
$$\left| A_{2n-1}^{(k)} \right|$$

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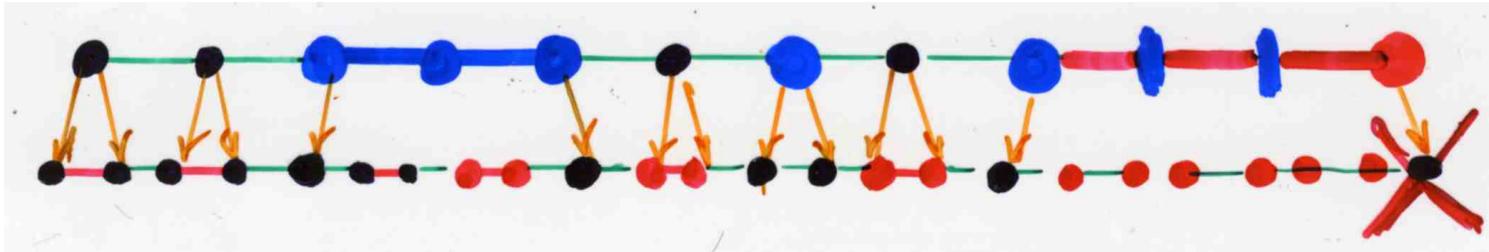
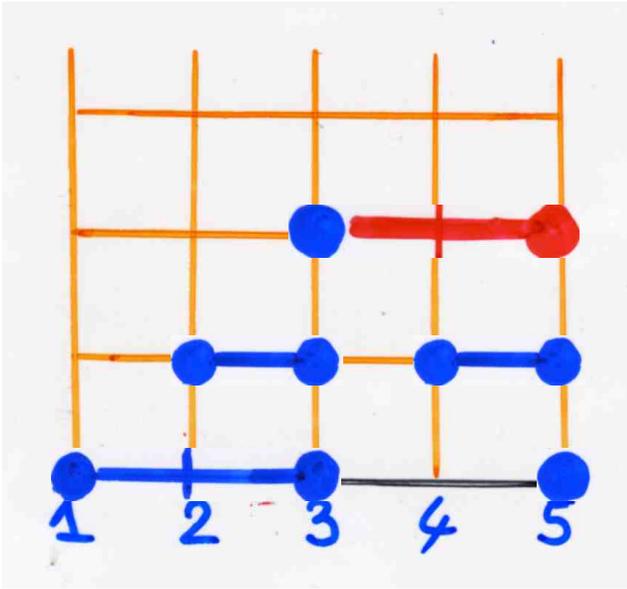
$$C_{-2n}^{(2k-1)}$$



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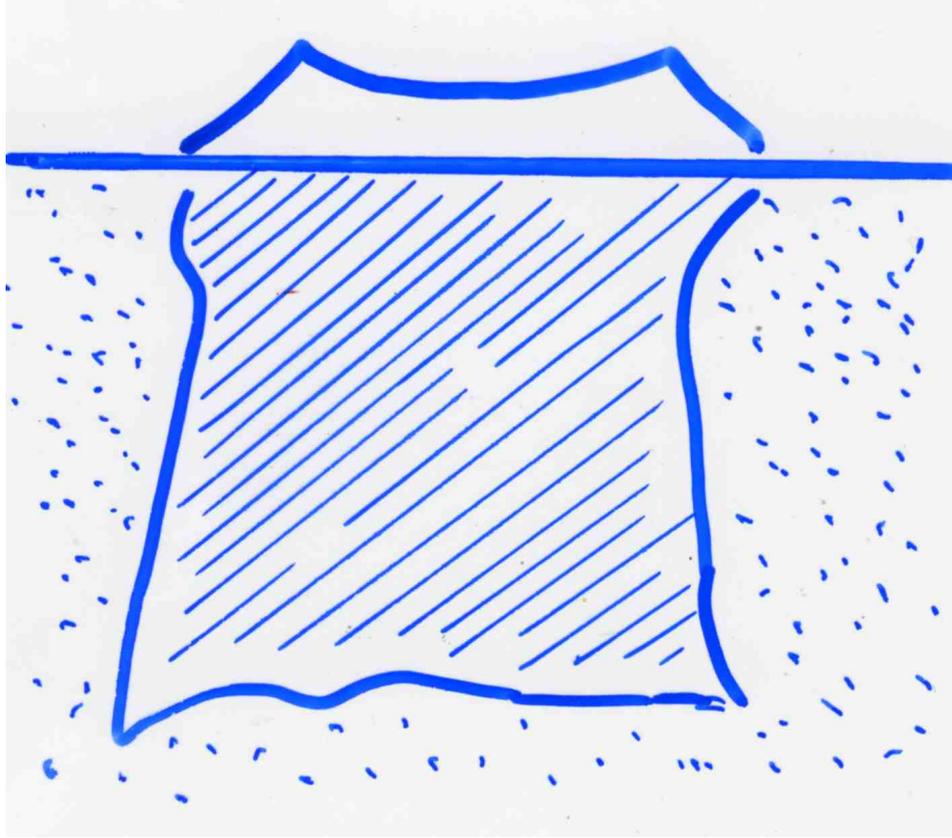


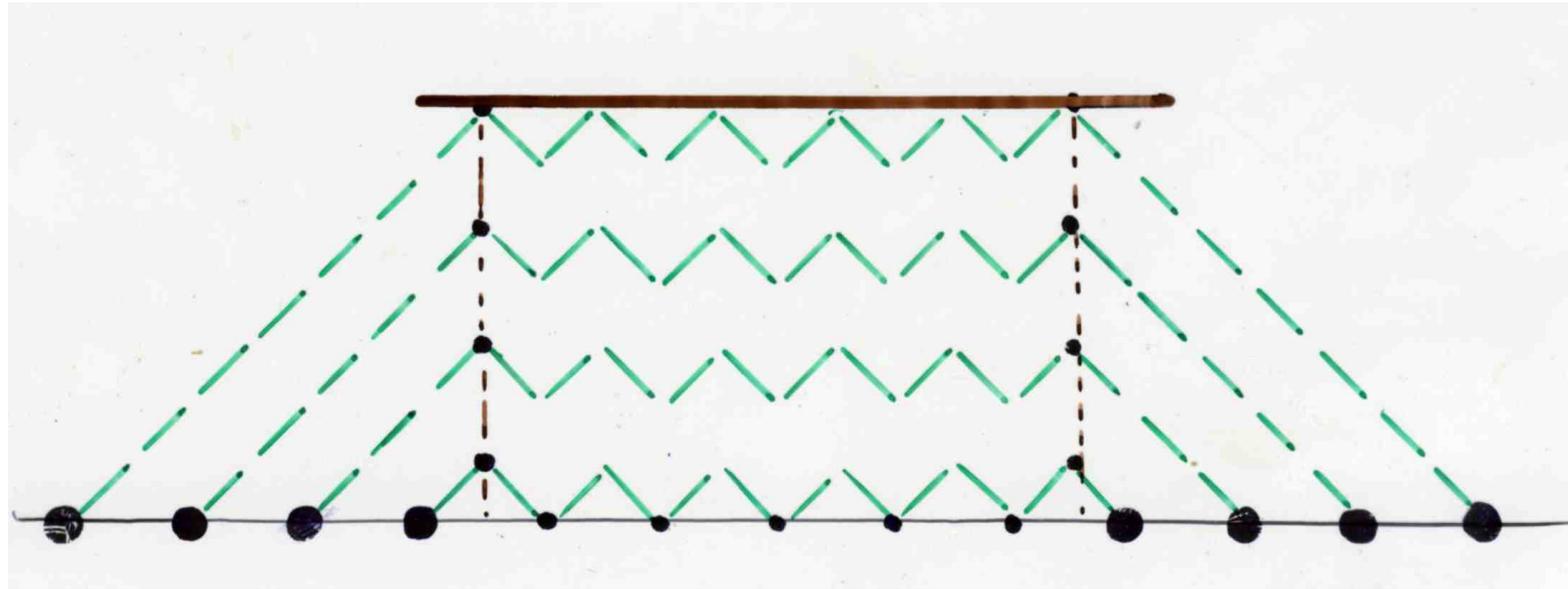
$$\frac{F_k(t)}{F_{k+1}(t)}$$

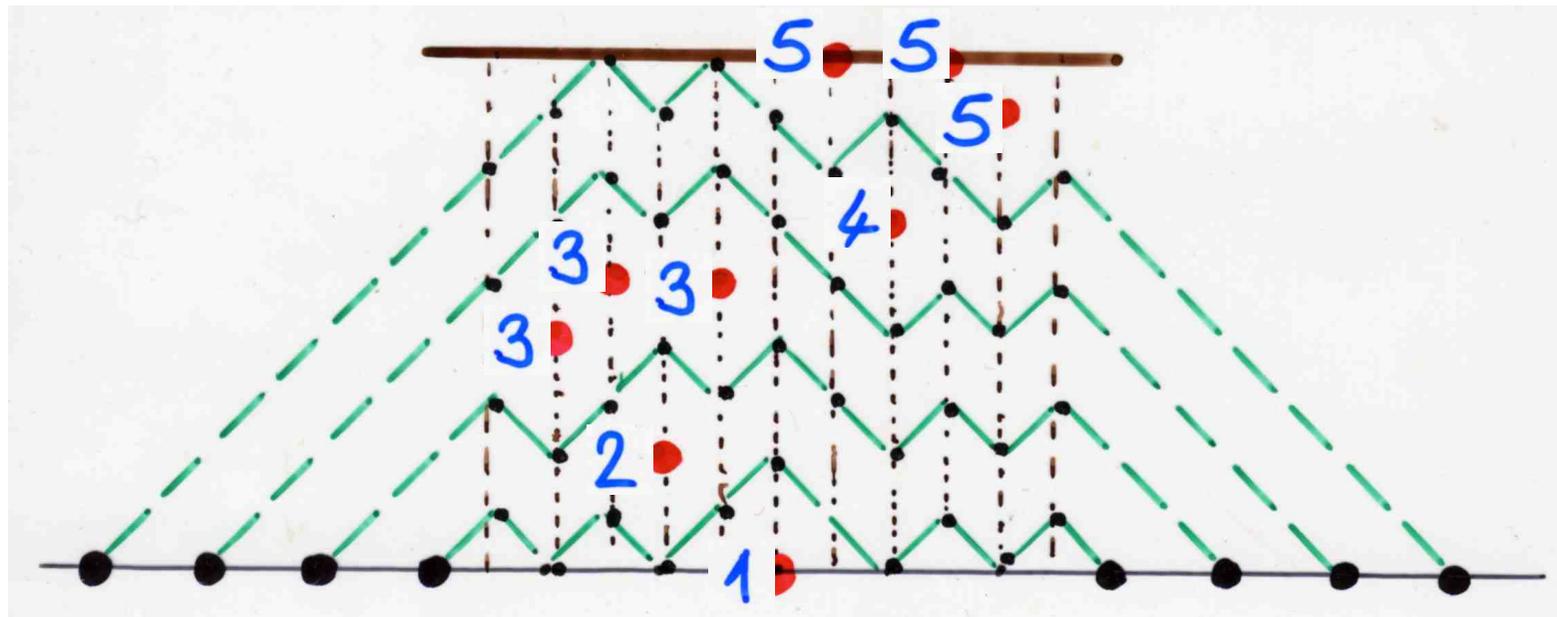


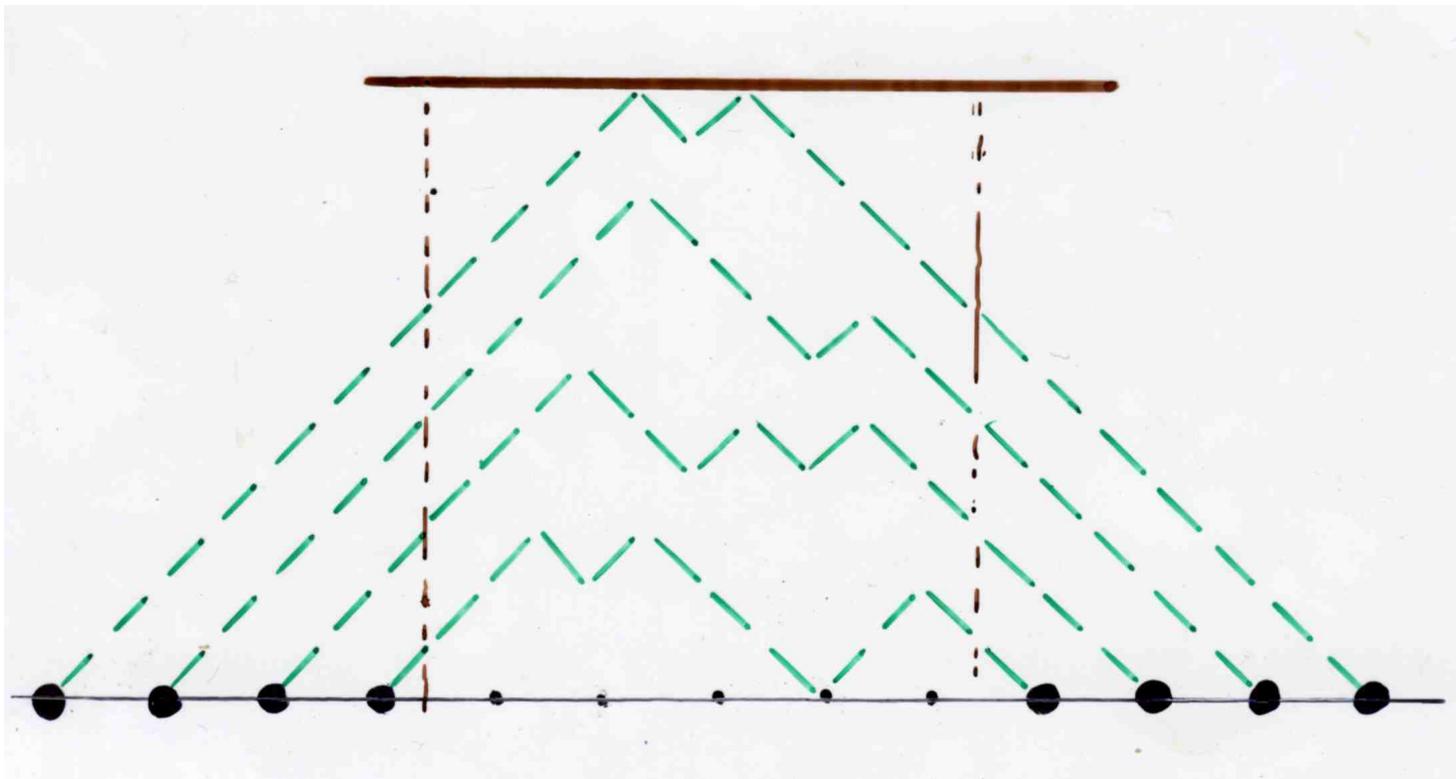
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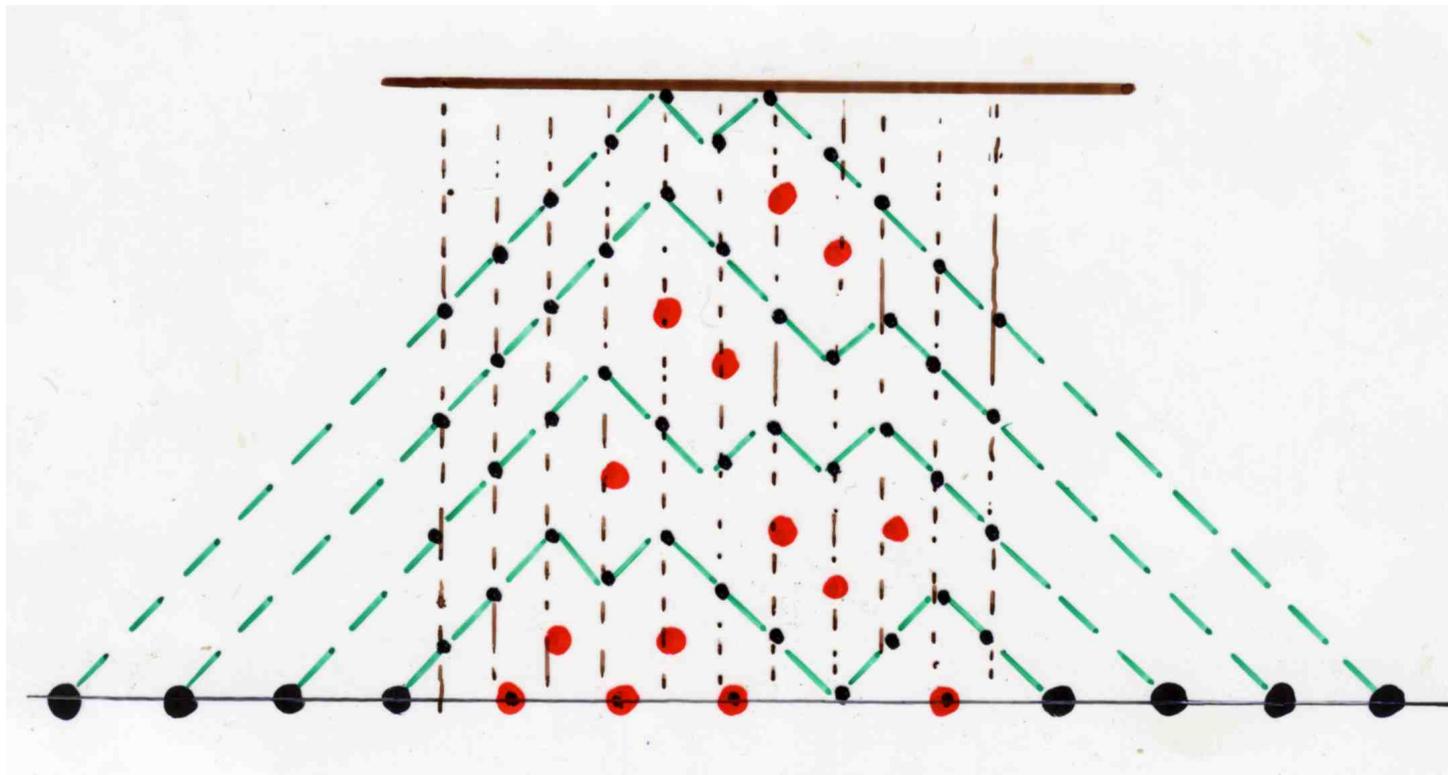












Orthogonal polynomials
continued fractions

A.M. Garsia, Ö. Eğecioğlu (2020)
Lecture in algebraic combinatorics

M.E.H. Ismail

talk this meeting
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More details in the video-book « ABjC », Part IV, *A combinatorial theory of orthogonal polynomials and continued fractions*

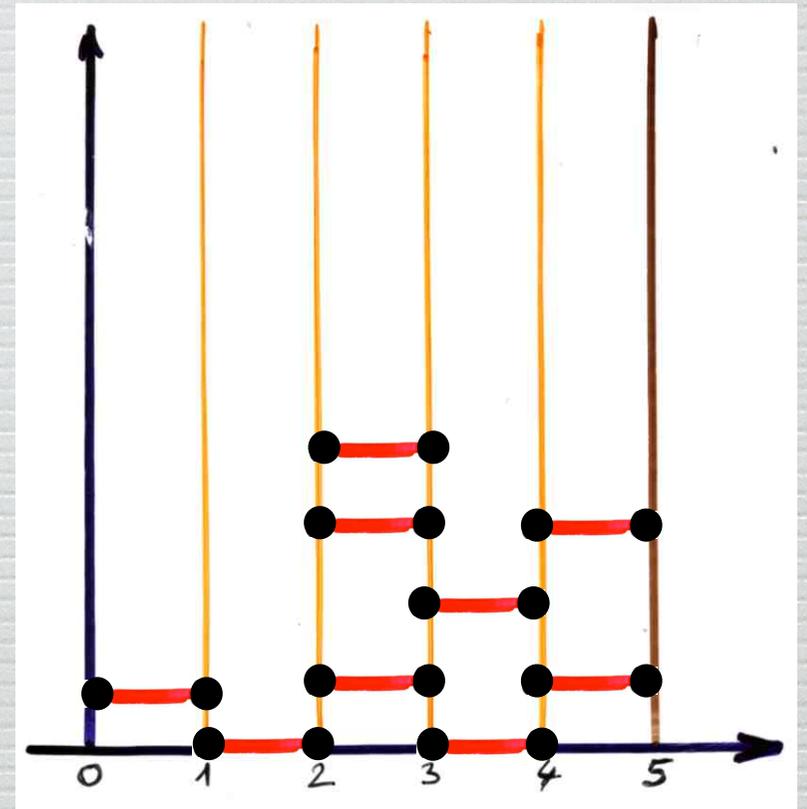
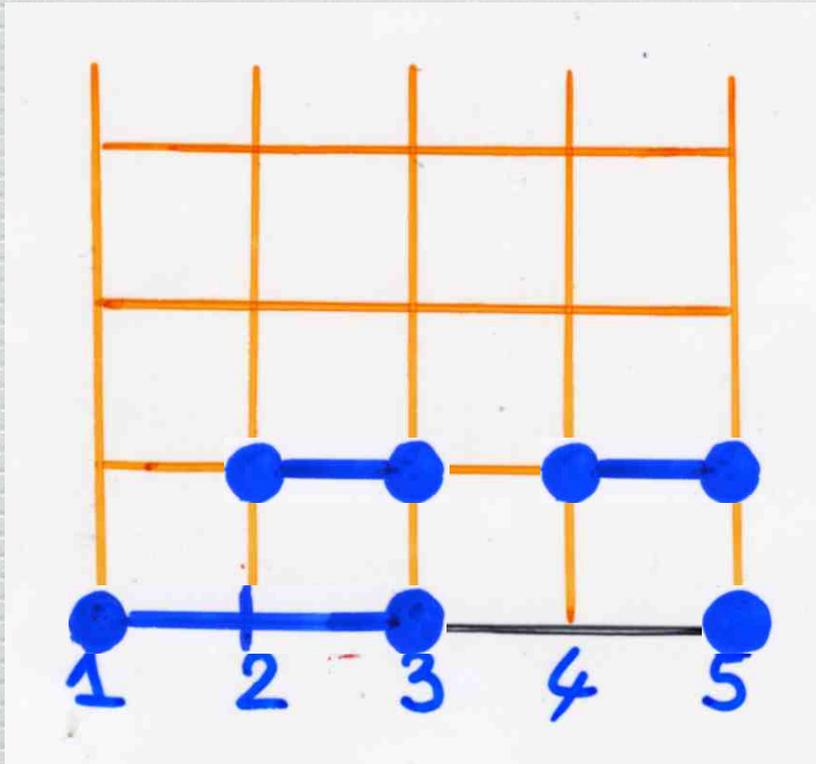
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Interpretation of continued fractions and moments of orthogonal polynomials with semi-pyramids of dimers and monomers

Chapter 3b, pp 137-147

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The duality



In the context of
fully commutative elements
in Coxeter groups

before that:

taking the rightmost maximal picece

remind something related to

Ramanujan

Andrews theorem
about the «reciprocal» of
Ramanujan continued fraction

quasi-partitions
of n

G. Andrews (1981)

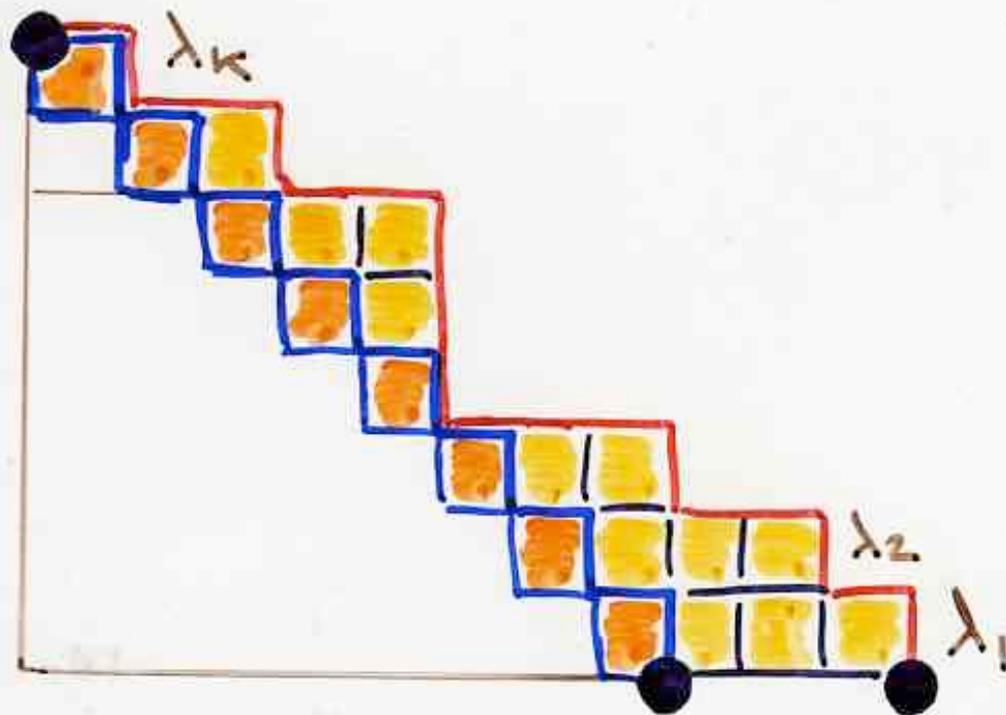
reciprocal of
Rogers-Ramanujan
identities

$$n = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_k$$

$$1 + \lambda_i \geq \lambda_{i+1}$$

$$i = 1, \dots, k-1$$

$$\lambda = (4, 4, 3, 1, 2, 3, 2, 1)$$



$$\frac{1}{R_I} = \sum_{\lambda} (-1)^{\ell(\lambda)} q^{|\lambda|}$$

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quasi-partitions

G. Andrews (1981)

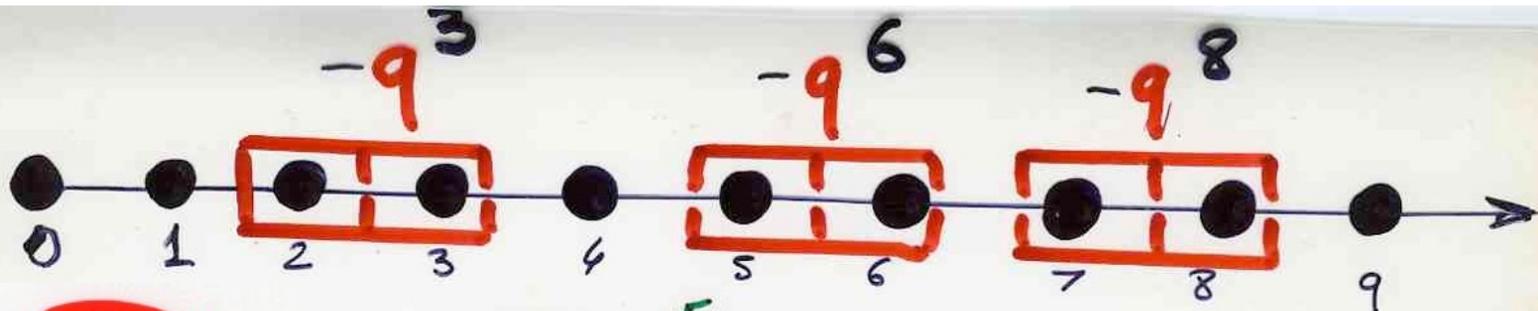
reciprocal of
Rogers-Ramanujan
identities

Rogers-Ramanujan

1st identity

D

$$= \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{q^{n^2}}{(1-q)(1-q^2)\dots(1-q^n)}$$



D

$$= \sum_E (-1)^{|E|} v(E)$$

trivial heaps

of
dimers on \mathbb{N}

$$v([k-1, k]) = -q^k$$

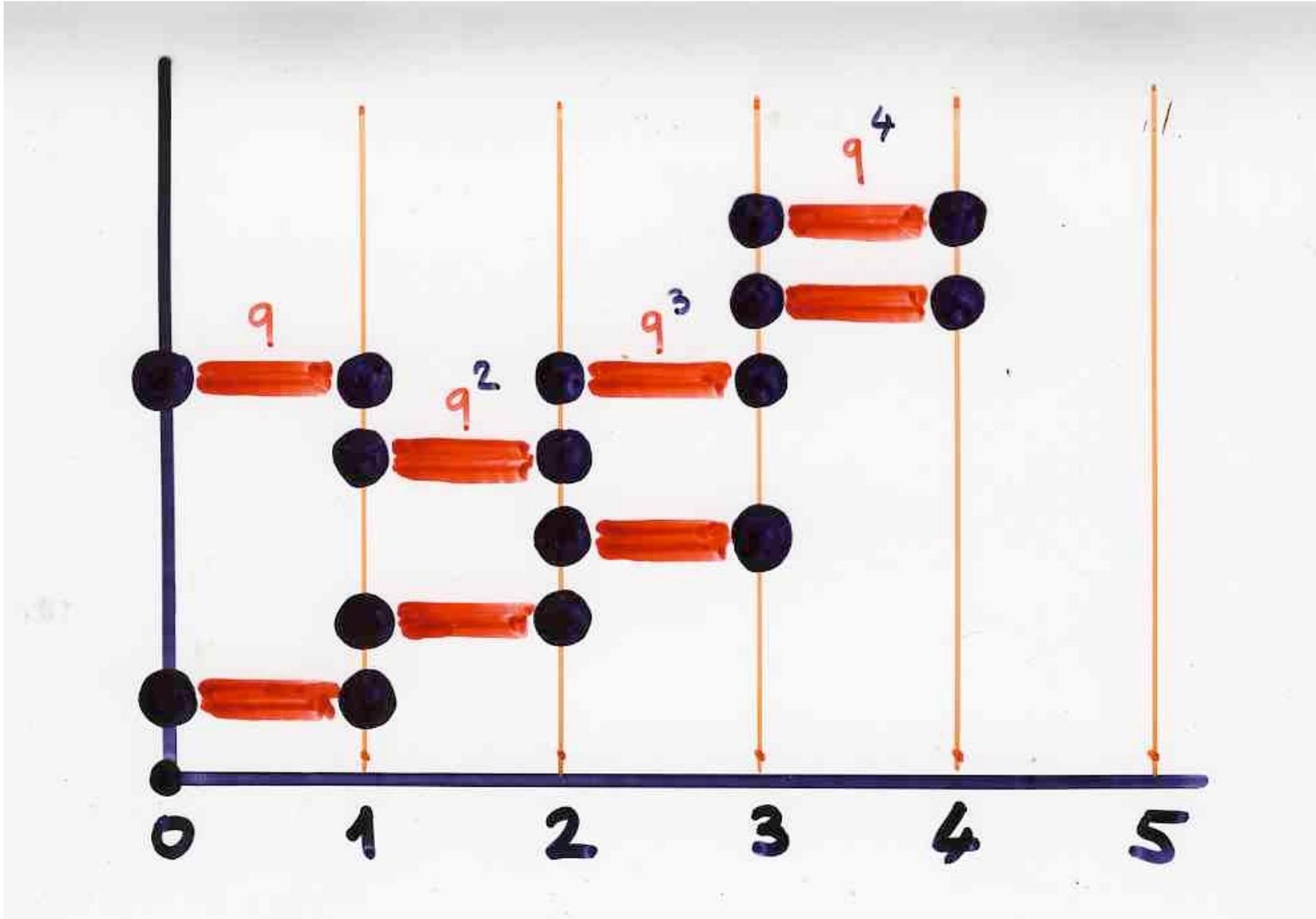
weighted heap $v(E)$

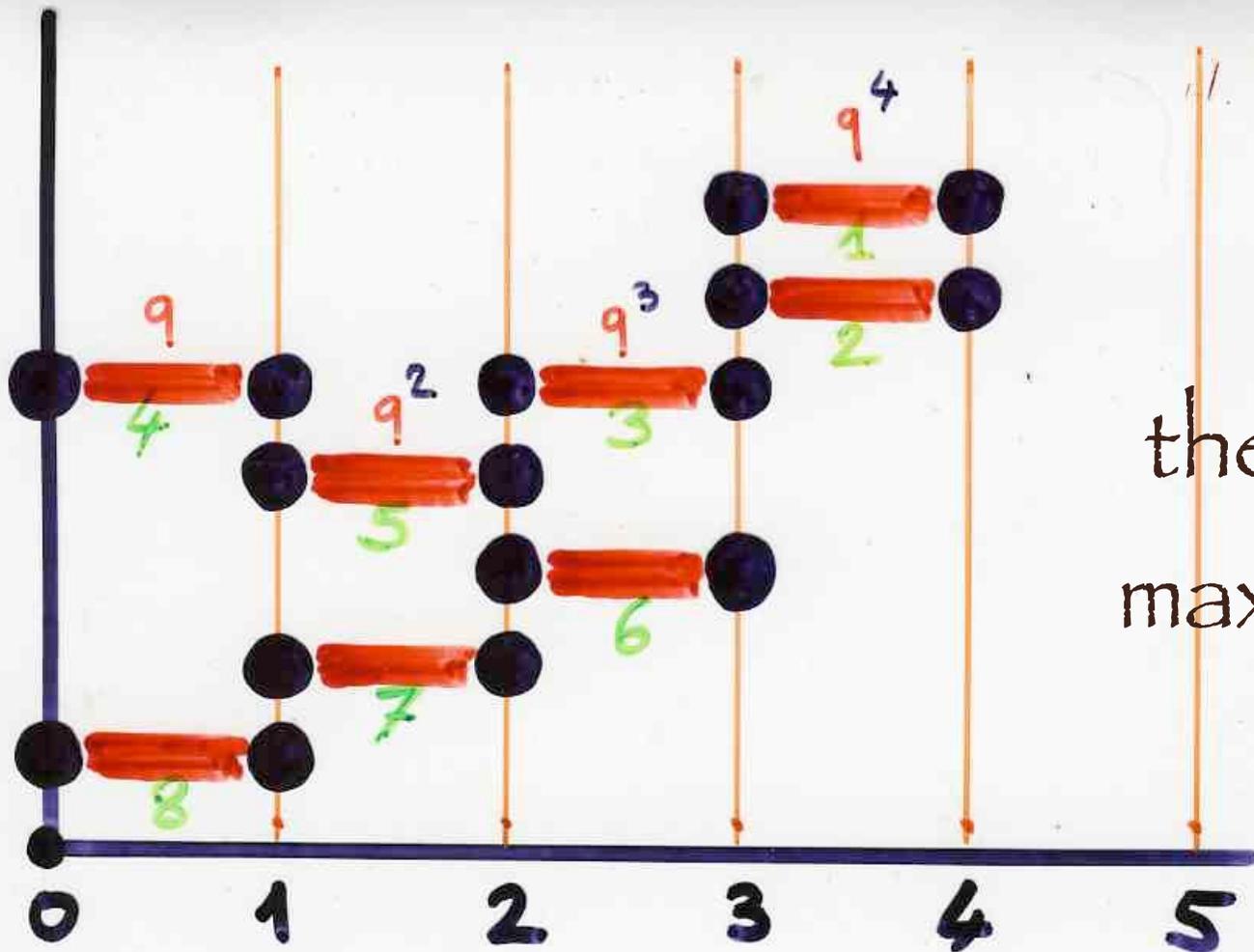
$$v(E) = \prod_{\alpha \in E} v(\alpha)$$

$$v(\alpha) = v(\pi(\alpha)) \quad \pi \text{ "projection"}$$

$$v([i-1, i]) = -q^i$$

$$\frac{1}{D} = \sum_{\substack{E \\ \text{heaps} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{dimers}}} v(E)$$





taking
the rightmost
maximal picece

$$H \rightarrow \lambda = (4, 4, 3, 1, 2, 3, 2, 1)$$

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8

quasi-partition

More details in the video-book « ABjC »

« Proofs without words: the exemple of the Ramanujan continued fraction »
colloquium IMSc, Chennai, February 21, 2019

slides and video available at Part II of ABjC,

« Some lectures related to the course »

www.viennot.org/abjc2-lectures.html

or at Part IV of ABjC, Chapter 3,

www.viennot.org/abjc4-ch3.html

paper:

X.V., bijections for the Rogers-Ramanujan reciprocal, J. Indian Math. Soc., 52
(1987) 171-183

slide added after the talk

Some history ...

ballot problem

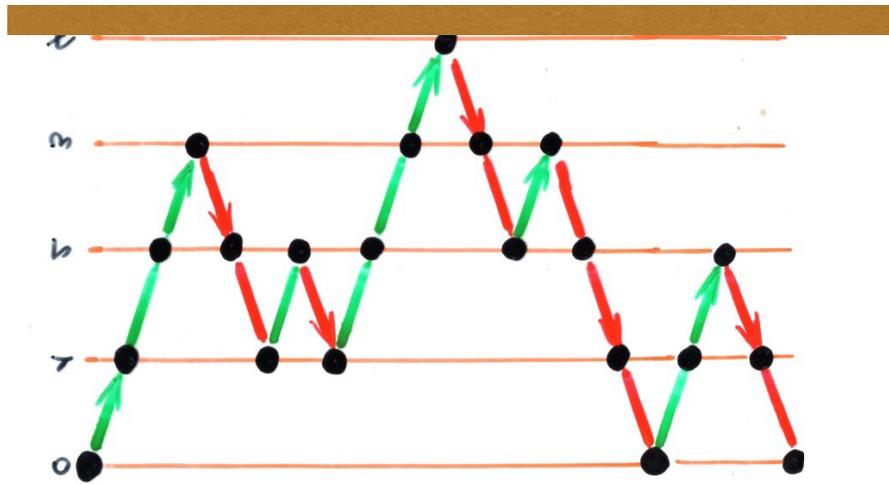
I. Pak "Catalan Page"

H. Delannoy (1886)

J. Bertrand (1887)

D. André (1887)

W.A. Whitworth (1879)



$$\sum_{n \geq 0} C_{2n}^{(k)} t^{2n}$$

Rational

N.G. de Bruijn, D.E. Knuth, S.O. Rice (1972)

H. Delannoy
(1888)

$$\frac{(-1)^{m-n}}{n} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} (-1)^{k-1} \sin\left(\frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2n}\right) \cos^{m-1}\left(\frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2n}\right)$$

=

E. Rouché

(1888)

H. Delannoy

(1888)

$$\frac{n}{2^{m-1}} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq \lfloor n/2 \rfloor} (-1)^k \frac{2k+1}{\frac{m+n}{2} + kn} \binom{m-1}{n-k}$$

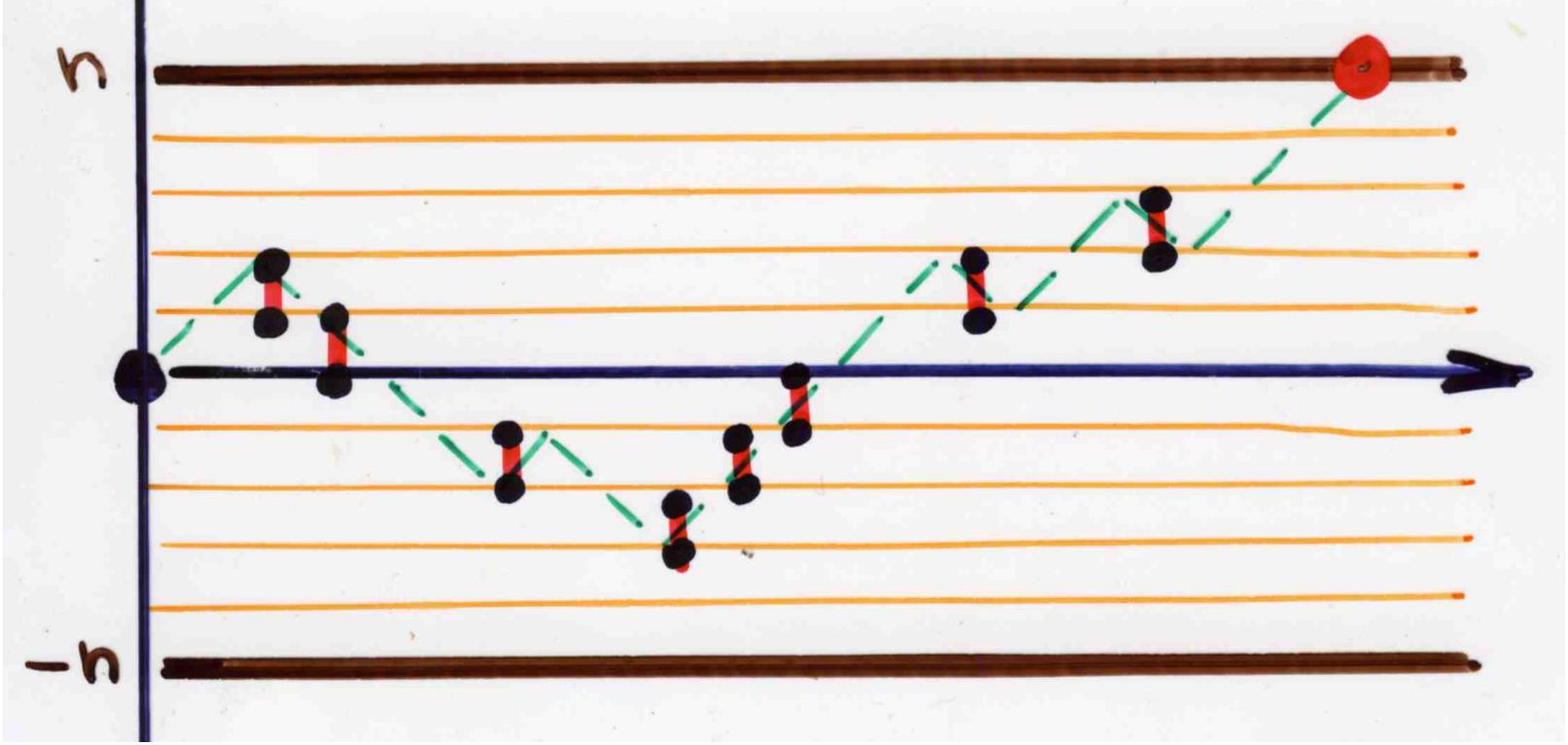
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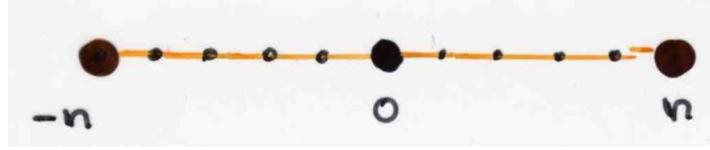
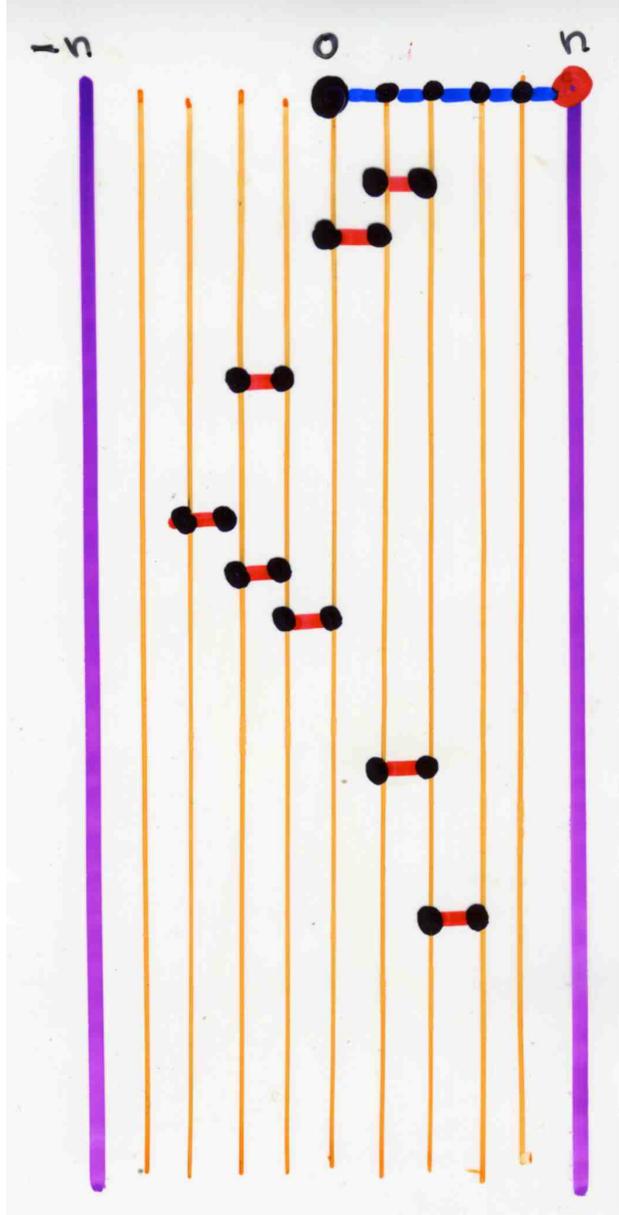
5th lattice paths... Athens (2002)

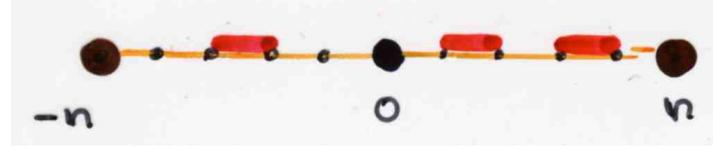
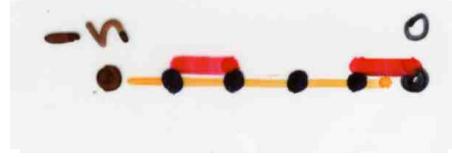
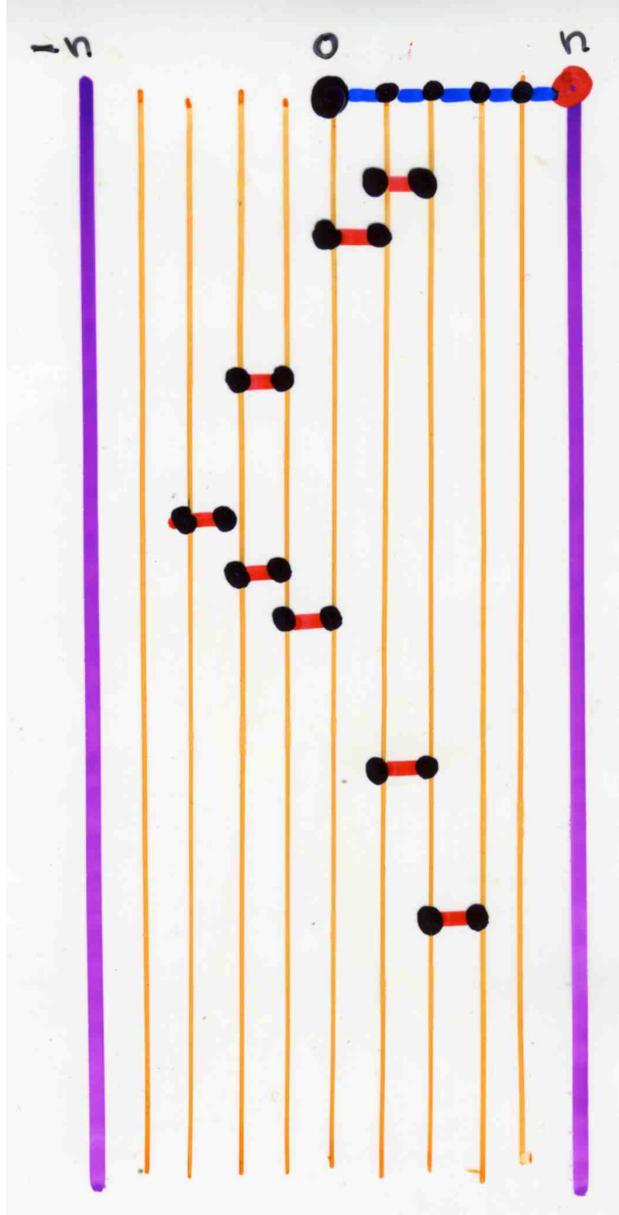
colloque Guéret (2015)

C. Goldstein

"Catalan et les Effa-Rouchés"

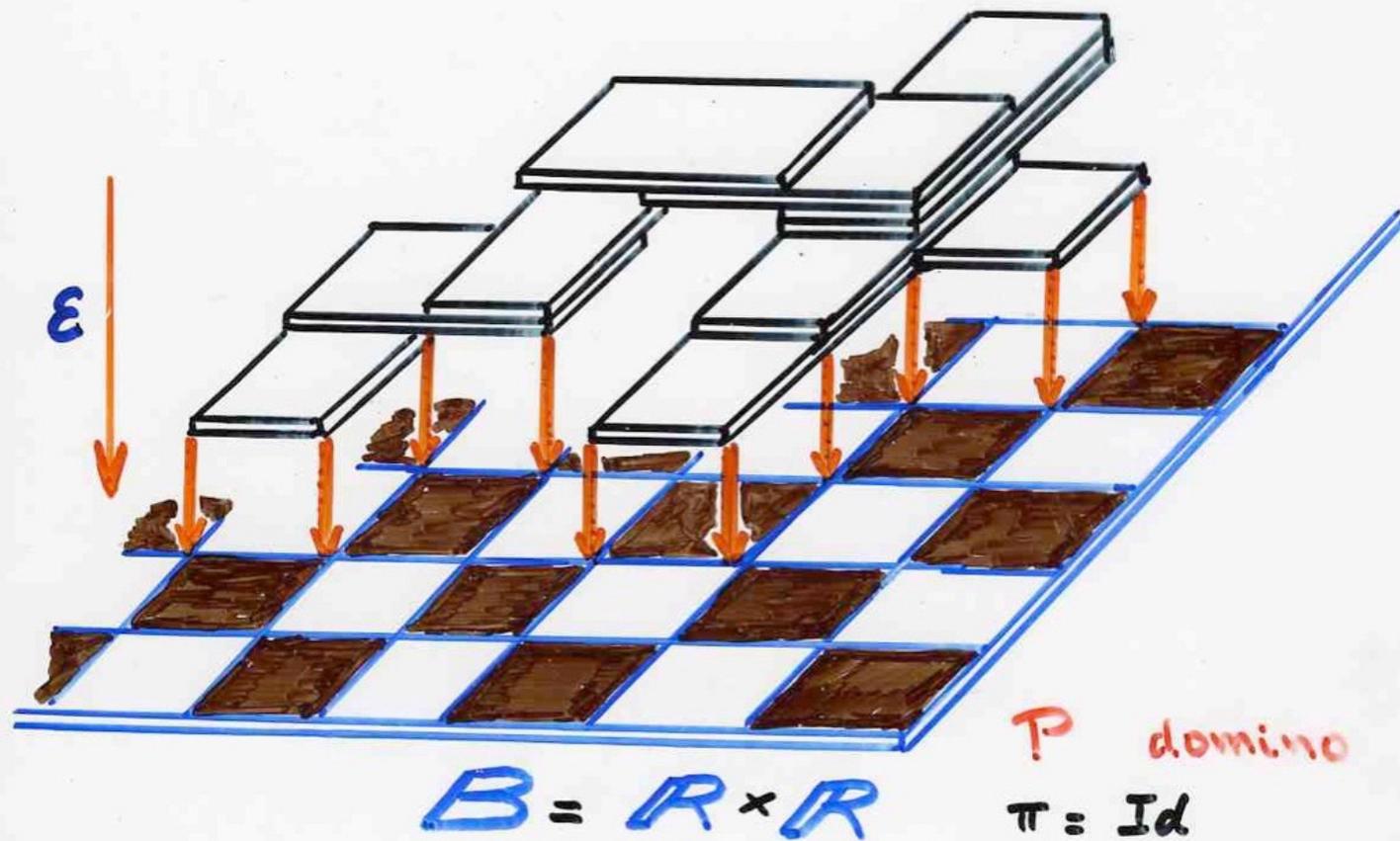






H. Delannoy

"méthode de l'échiquier"



heap of dimers

Donc on a enfin

$$A_{m,n} = \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$\pm \zeta^{l-m} \{ A_{0,n} \cdot \gamma^m + A_{0,n+1} \cdot m \gamma^{m-1} \zeta + A_{0,n+2} \cdot \frac{m \cdot m-1}{1 \cdot 2} \gamma^{m-2} \zeta^2$$

$$+ \text{etc.} + A_{0,n+m-1} \cdot m \gamma \zeta^{m-1} + A_{0,n+m} \cdot \zeta^m \},$$

le signe supérieur ou inférieur ayant lieu suivant que m est pair ou impair. Ce résultat s'accorde avec celui que l'on peut déduire d'une solution différente du même exemple, donnée par LAPLACE dans les mémoires de Paris, année 1779, n.° XVII, page 267.

Si l'on fait n négatif dans la formule (1) ci-dessus, on trouve, en rejetant les termes et celles de leurs parties où les indices de D sont négatifs et ceux de n négatifs ou positifs > 0 , que cette formule se réduit à la suivante :

$$A_{m,-n} = \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

$$\pm \zeta^l \{ A_{0,0} D^m \cdot (\alpha^n \cdot \zeta^{l-n-1}) - A_{0,1} D^m \cdot (\alpha^{n+1} \cdot \zeta^{l-n-2}) + A_{0,2} D^m \cdot (\alpha^{n+2} \cdot \zeta^{l-n-3}) - \text{etc.} \}$$

laquelle, à cause que $\alpha = 0$ et que sa seule dérivée D est ζ , devient

$$A_{m,-n} = \dots\dots\dots(5)$$

$$\pm \zeta^l \{ A_{0,0} \cdot \zeta^n D^{m-n} \cdot \zeta^{l-n-1} - A_{0,1} \cdot \zeta^{n+1} D^{m-n-1} \cdot \zeta^{l-n-2} + A_{0,2} \cdot \zeta^{n+2} D^{m-n-2} \cdot \zeta^{l-n-3} - \text{etc.} \}.$$

D'où il suit que $A_{m,-n}$ n'est zéro qu'autant que m est $< n$. Ainsi la série récurrente s'étend, sous forme de triangle, dans la quatrième région.

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5	14	28	48	75	etc.
14	42	90	165	275	etc.
etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.

L'équation de relation est $A_{m,n} = A_{m-1,n} + A_{m+1,n-1}$; j'y mets $m-1$ au lieu de m , et elle devient

$\pm \zeta^l \{ A_{0,0} \zeta^m (\alpha^n \zeta^{l-n-1}) - A_{0,1} \zeta^m (\alpha^{n-1} \zeta^{l-n-1}) + \dots \}$
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L.F.A. Arbogast

$$A_{m,-n} = \dots (5)$$

$$\zeta^{n+1} D^{m-n-1} \zeta^{l-n-2} + A_{0,2} \zeta^{n+2} D^{m-n-2} \zeta^{l-n-3} - \text{etc.}$$

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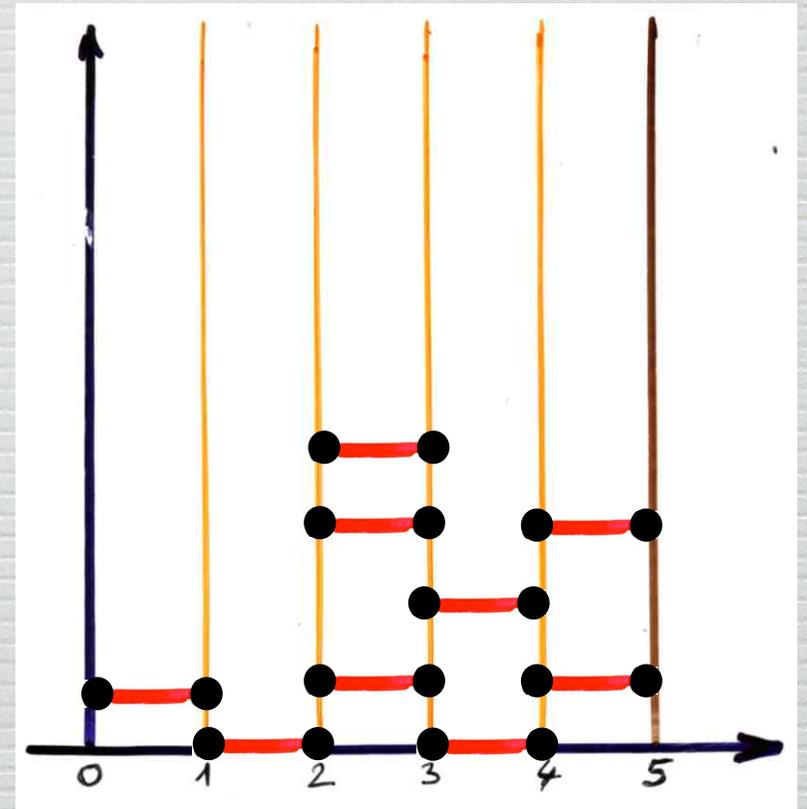
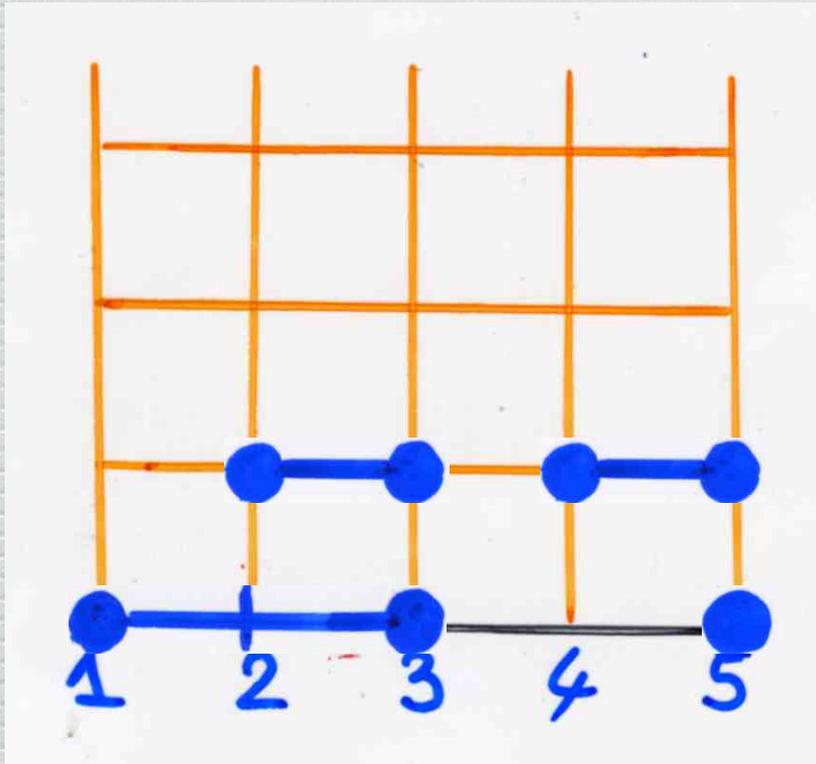
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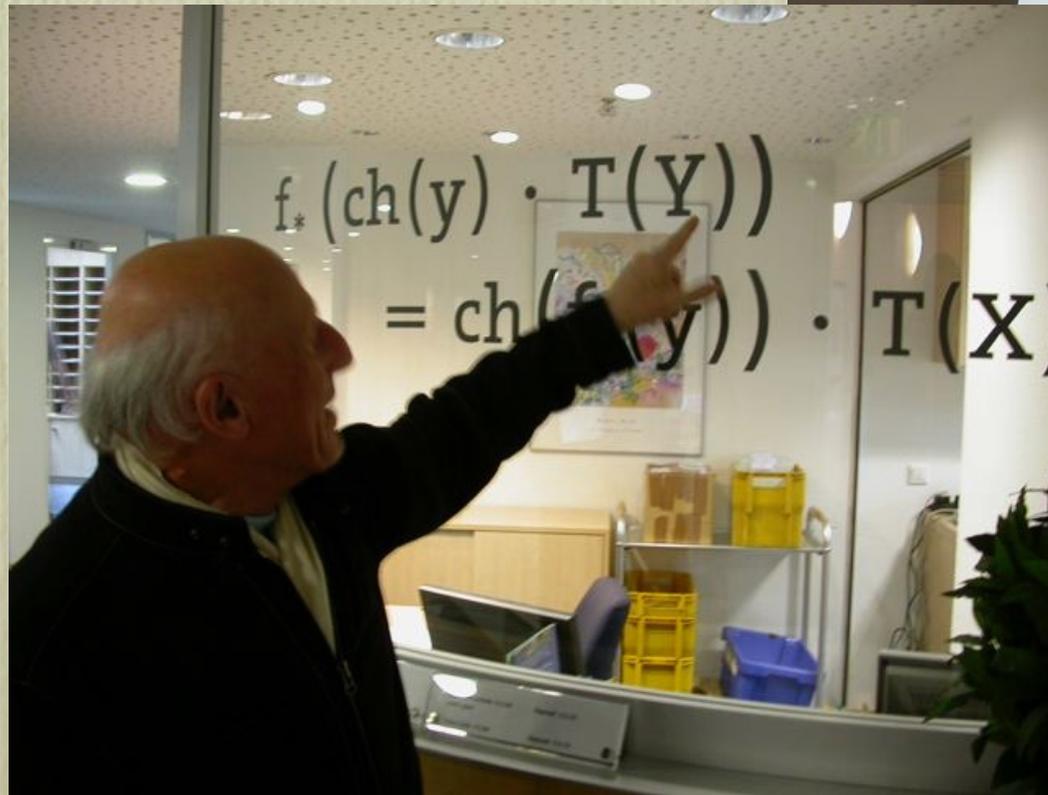
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The duality



In the context of
fully commutative elements
in Coxeter groups

Heaps of pieces
and
commutations



D. Foata, (1965)

thesis Doct. Etat
" Etude algébrique de certains problèmes
d'Analyse Combinatoire et du Calcul des Probabilités "

In 1969 P. Cartier and D. Foata introduced the "**commutation monoids**", that is monoids of words defined up to a certain commutation of letters, in the monograph:

P. Cartier and D. Foata, *Problèmes combinatoires de commutation et réarrangements*, Lecture Notes in Mathematics, no. 85, Springer–Verlag, Berlin, New York, 1969.

<http://www.mat.univie.ac.at/~slc/>

with an appendix
by C. Krattenthaler

"**heaps of pieces**", as a geometric interpretation of these "commutation monoids"

G.X.V., *Heaps of pieces. I. Basic definitions and combinatorial lemmas*, in *Combinatoire énumérative* (Montréal, Québec, 1985), vol. 1234 of *Lecture Notes in Math.*, pp321–350, Springer, Berlin, 1986.

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- $aCb \Leftrightarrow bCa$

- ~~aCa~~

commutation

relation

C

antireflexive
symmetric

\equiv_C

congruence of A^* generated
by the commutations

$$ab \equiv ba \text{ iff } aCb$$

ex: heaps of dimers on \mathbb{N}

$$P = \{ [i, i+1] = \sigma_i, i \geq 0 \}$$

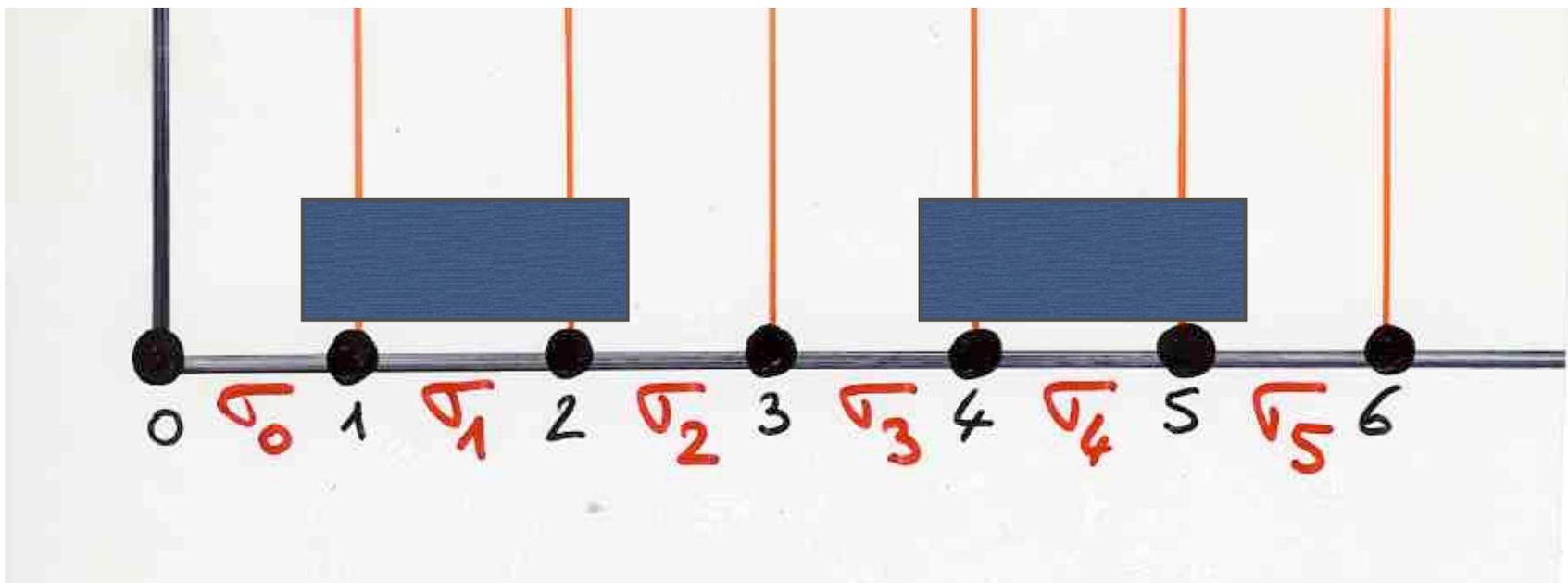
\mathcal{C}

\subset commutations

$$\sigma_i \sigma_j = \sigma_j \sigma_i \text{ iff } |i-j| \geq 2$$

commutation class

$$\sigma_i \cap \sigma_j = \emptyset$$



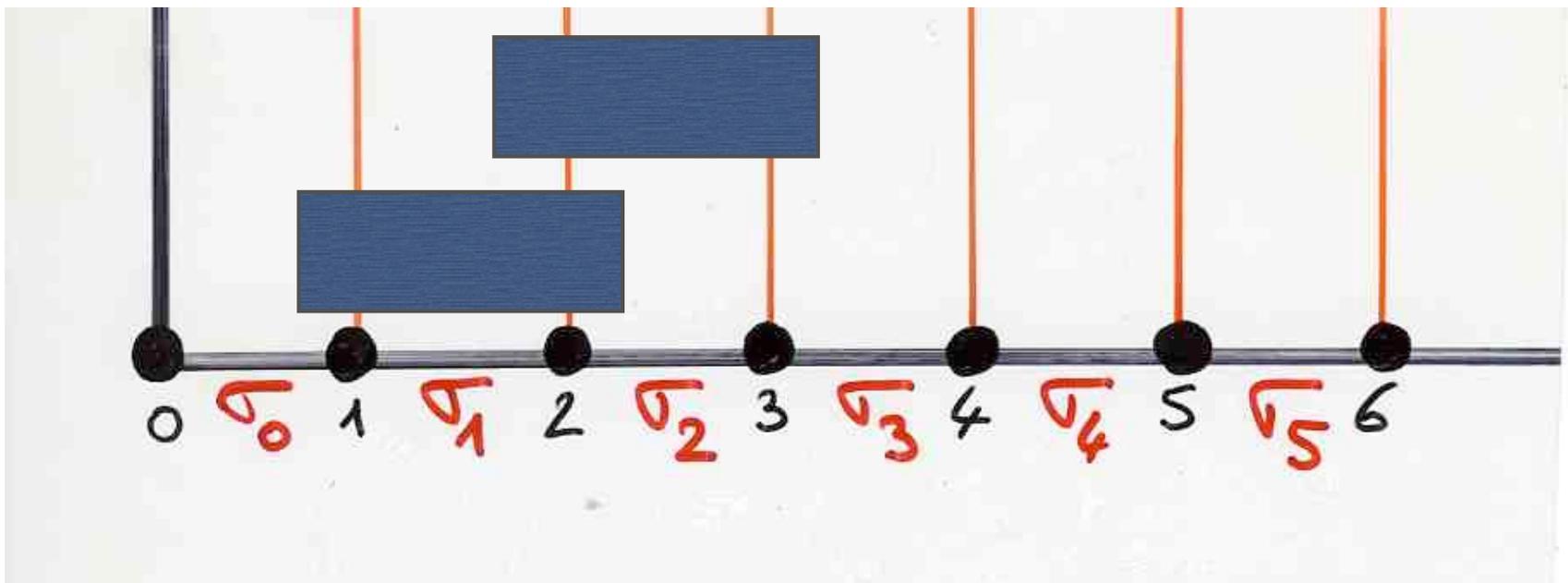
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\mathcal{L}

dependency relation

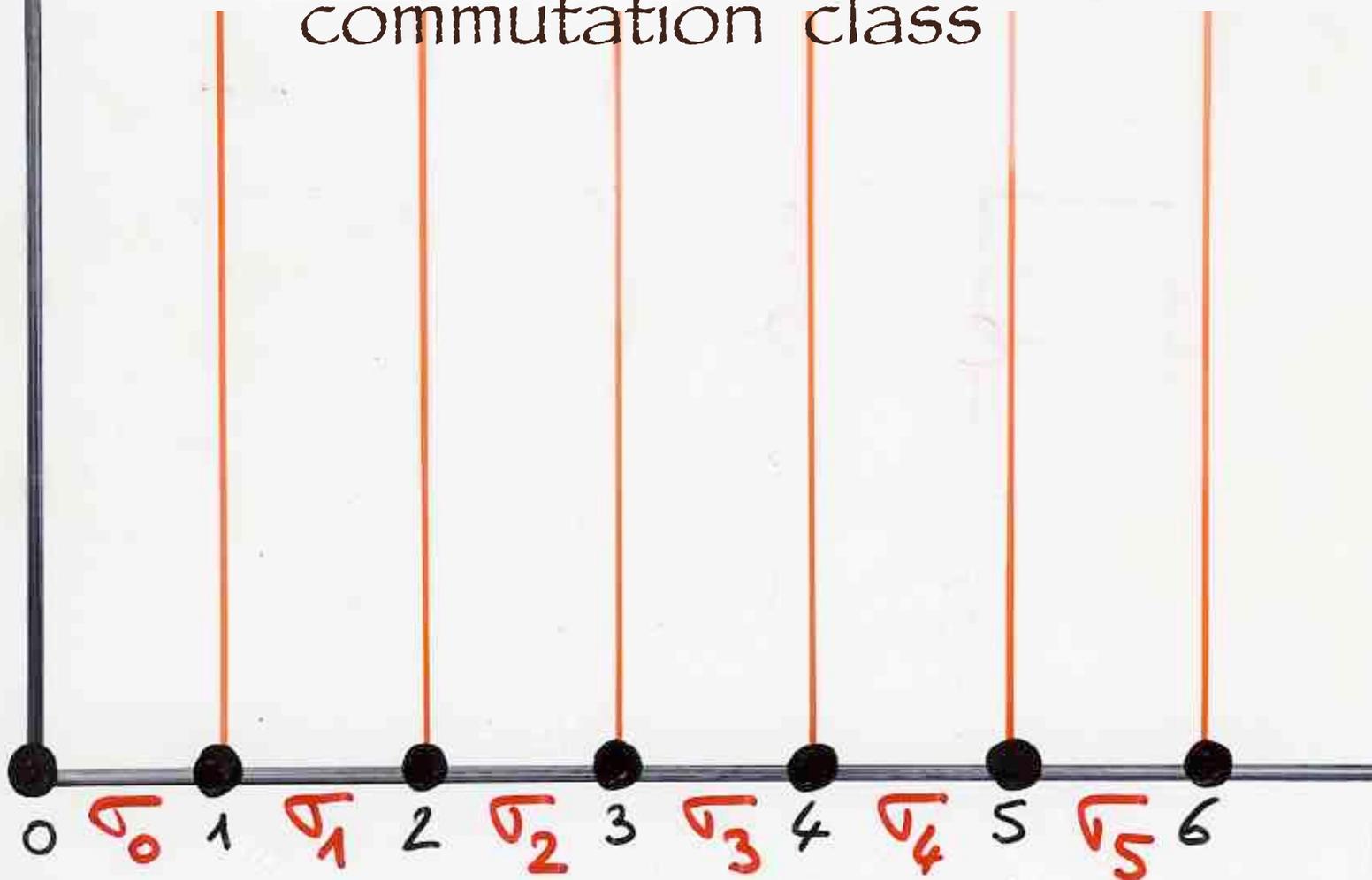
$$\sigma_i \cap \sigma_j \neq \emptyset$$



$$W = \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \sigma_5 \sigma_1 \sigma_4 \sigma_1 \sigma_3$$

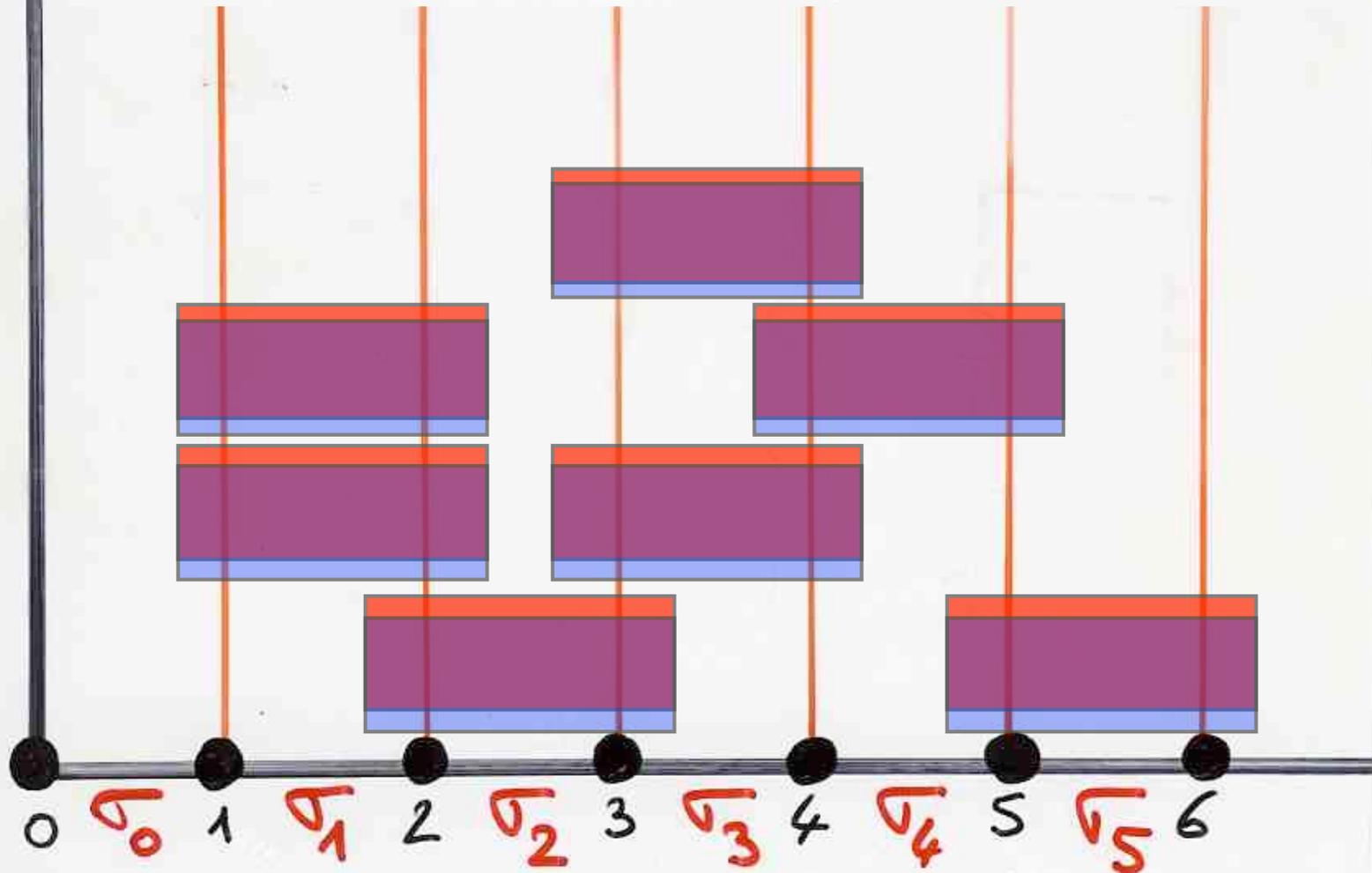
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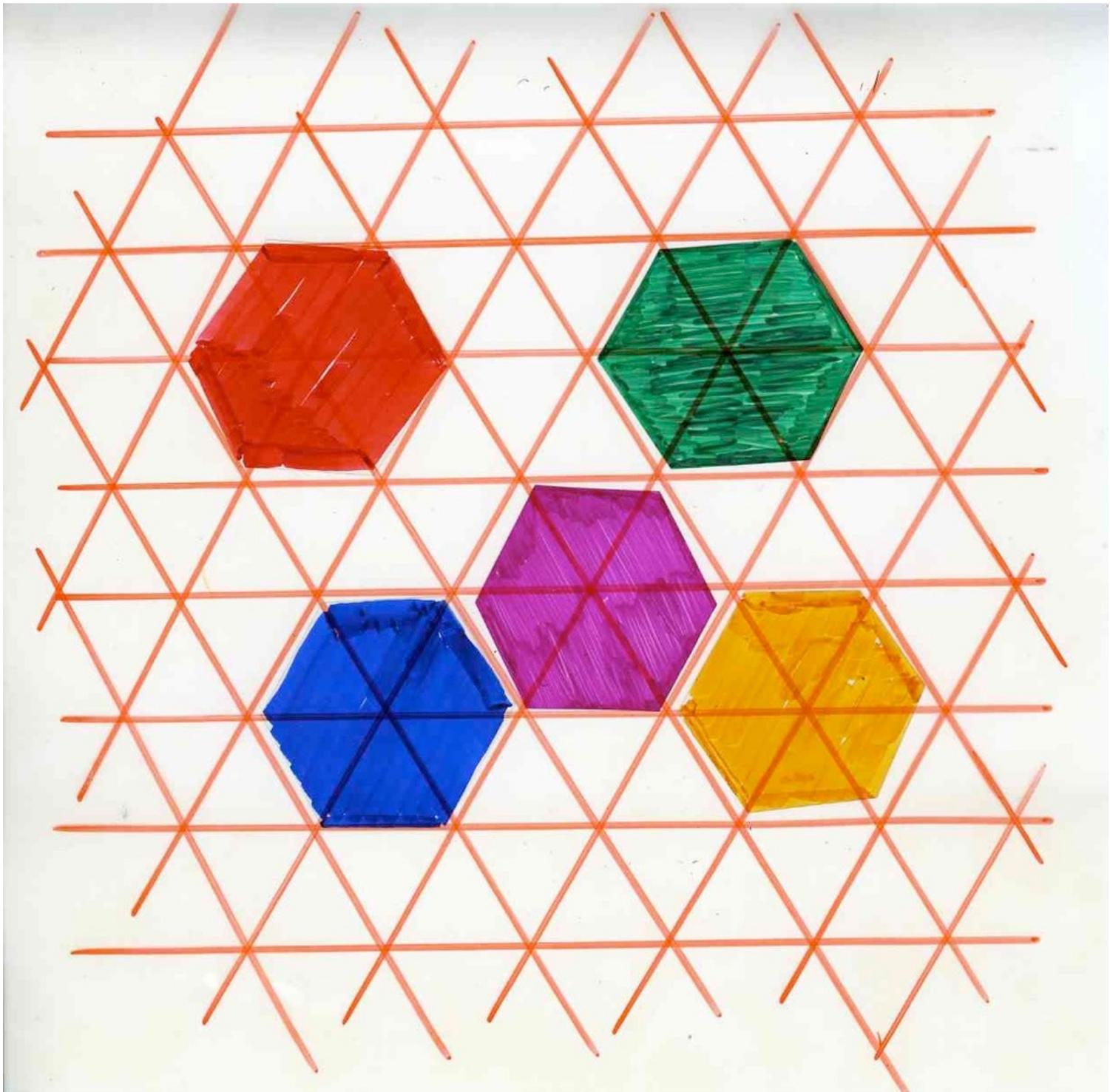
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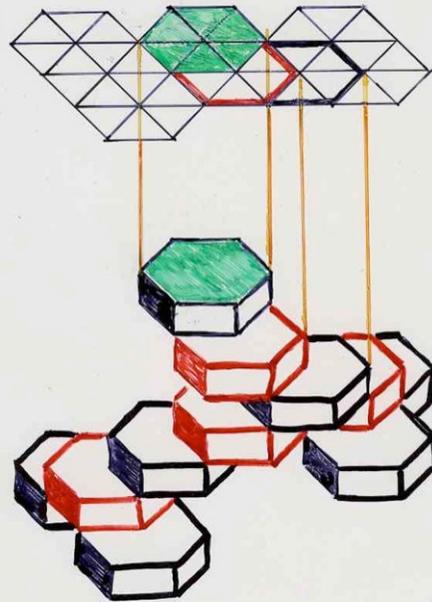
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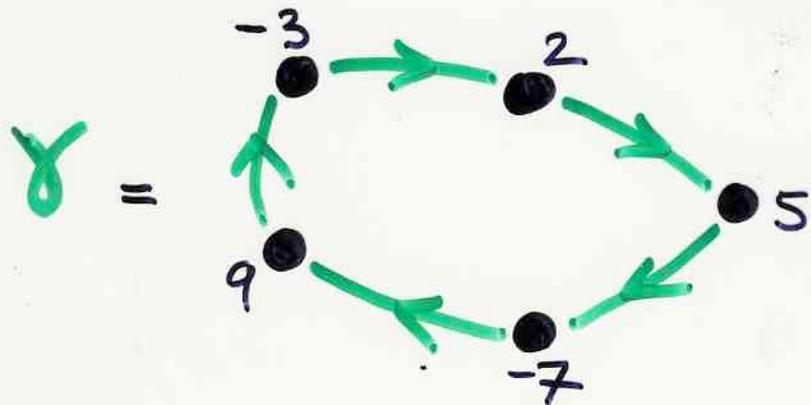


Heaps of "hard hexagons"

$$-p(-t) = y$$



basic pieces $\mathcal{P} = \{ \text{cycles on } \mathbb{Z} \}$

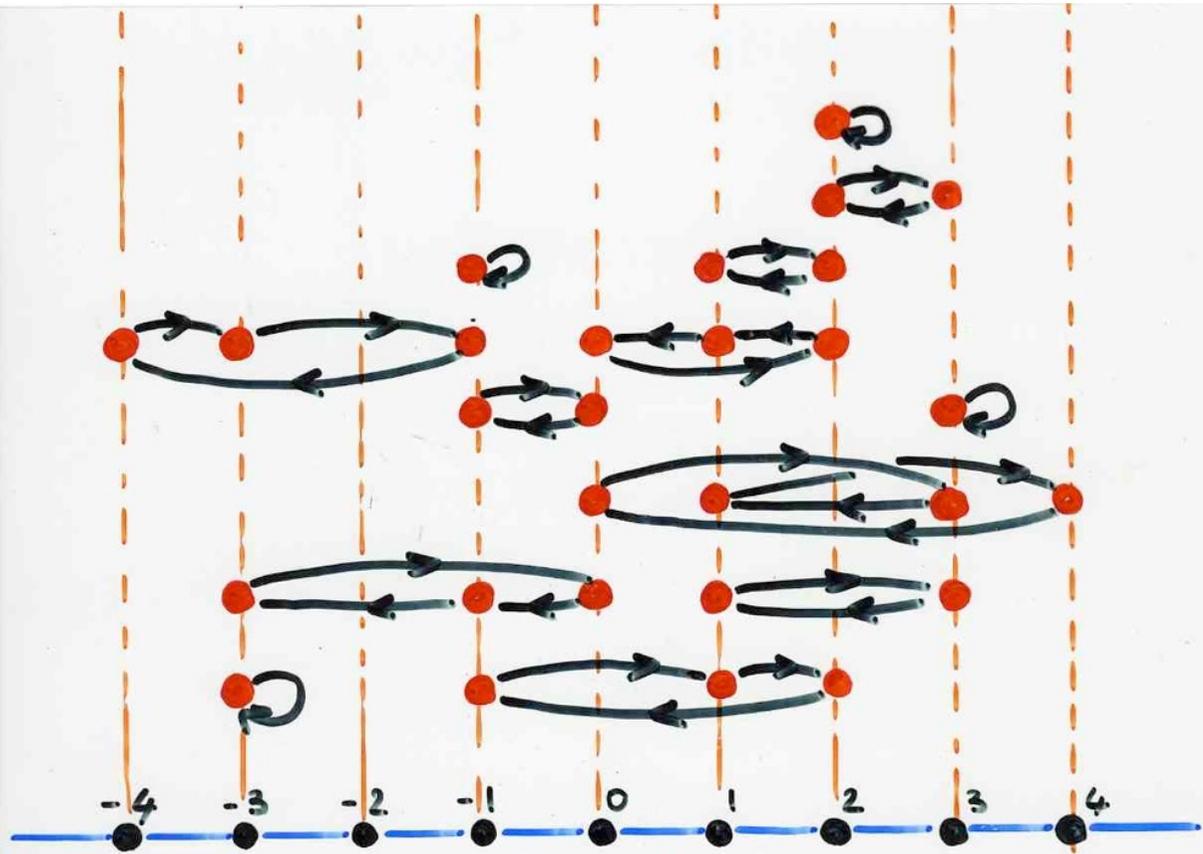


$$\text{Supp}(\gamma) = \{-7, -3, 2, 5, 9\}$$

Support

\mathcal{E} dependency relation

$$\gamma \mathcal{E} \delta \iff \text{Supp}(\gamma) \cap \text{Supp}(\delta) \neq \emptyset$$



$B = \mathbb{Z}$

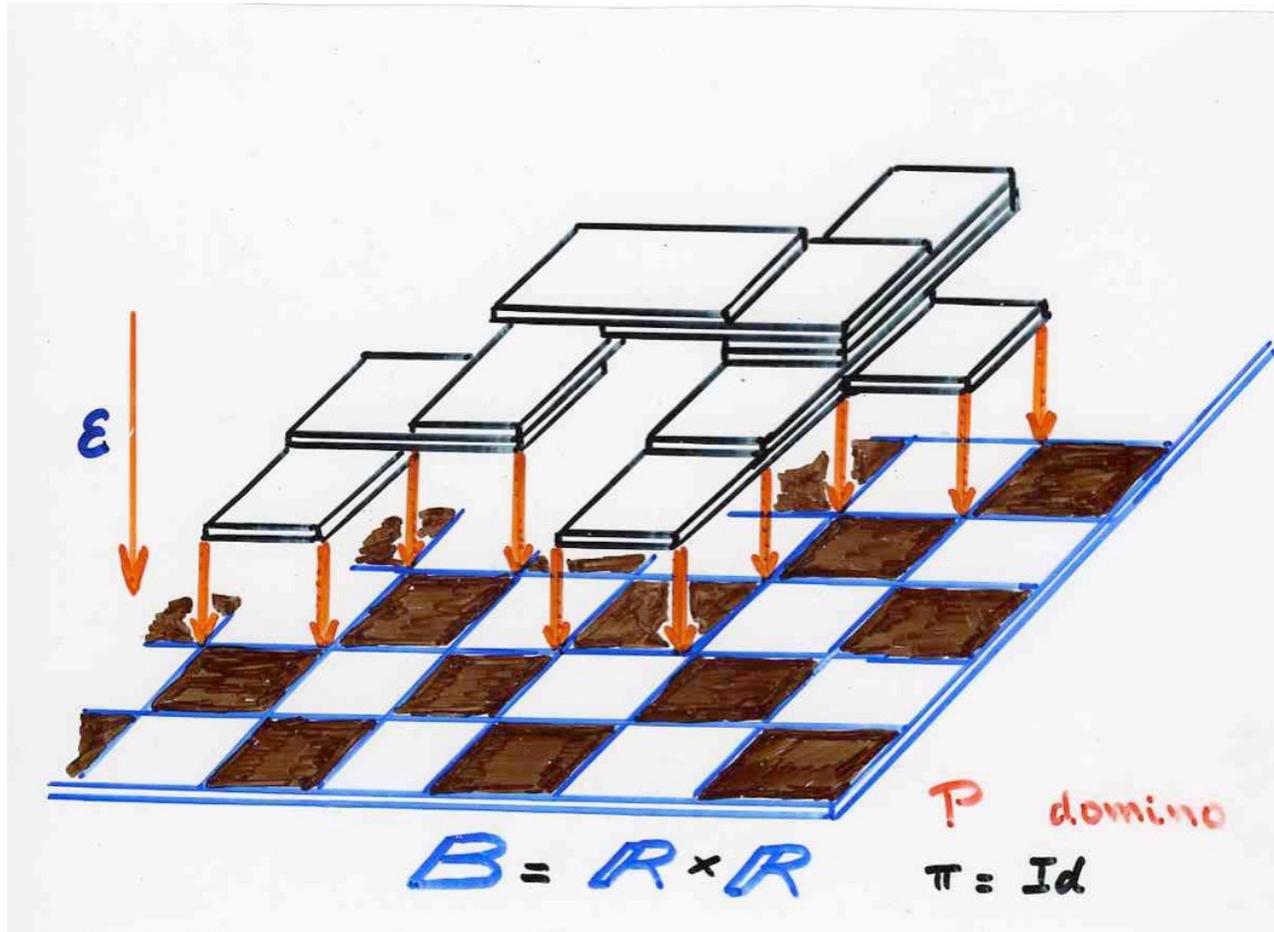
P
 \mathcal{C}

cycles on \mathbb{Z}
 intersection

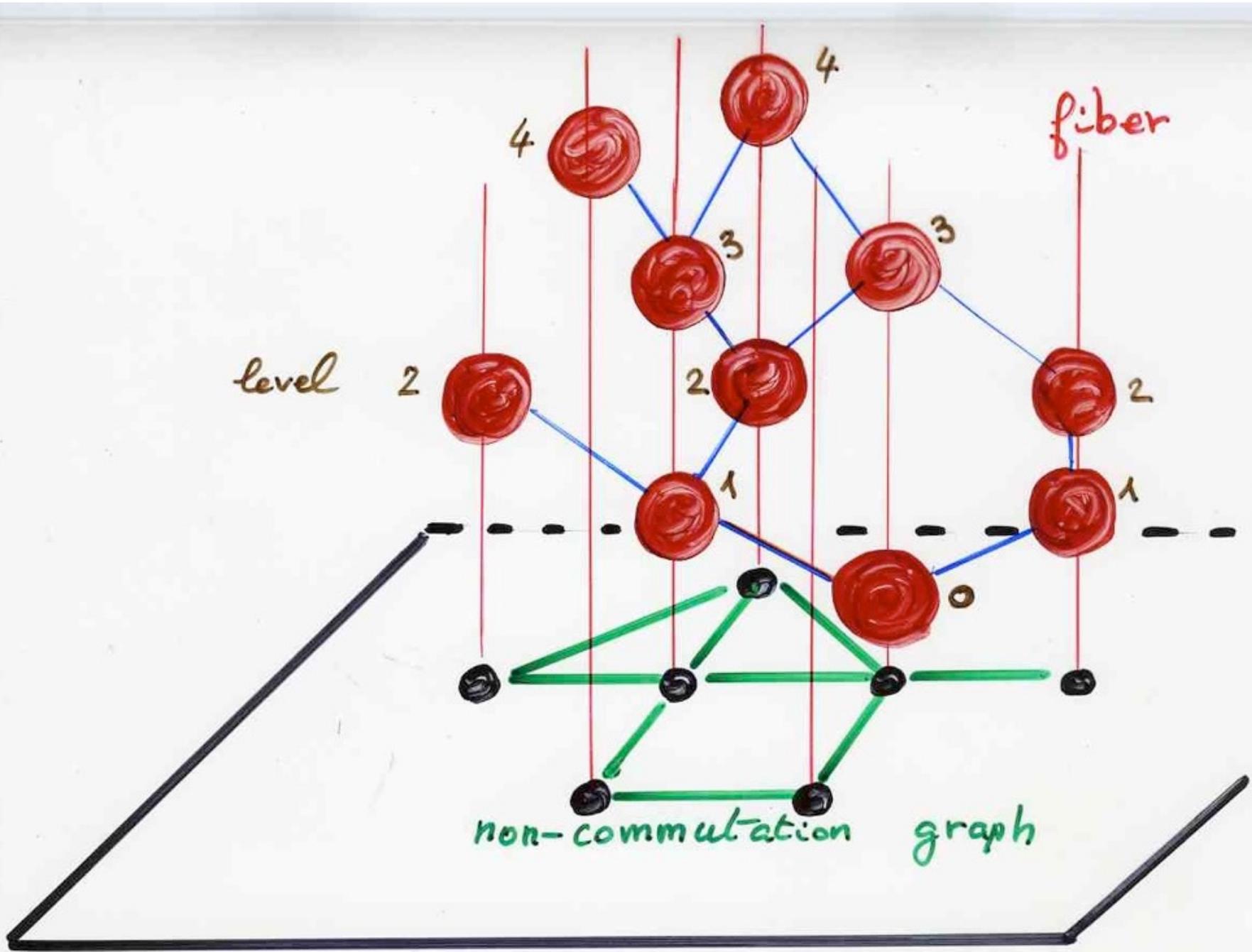
- definition by level

- definition with poset over a graph

Heaps of "hard dimers"
on a chessboard



fully commutative elements
in Coxeter groups

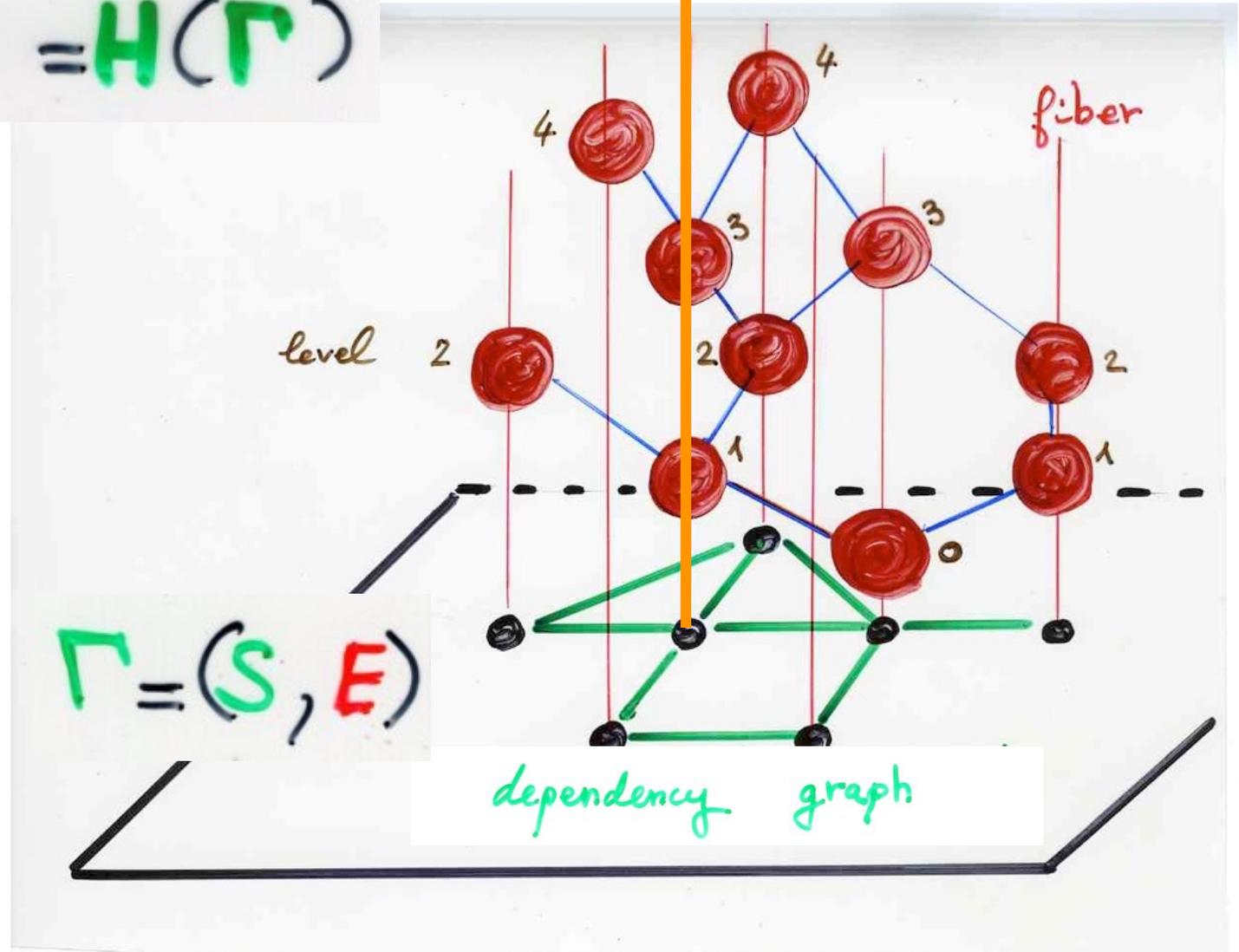


Coxeter graph

Γ

fiber over $\Delta \in S$

$$H(W, S) = H(\Gamma)$$



Coxeter graph

Γ

fiber over $\{s, t\}$
edge of Γ

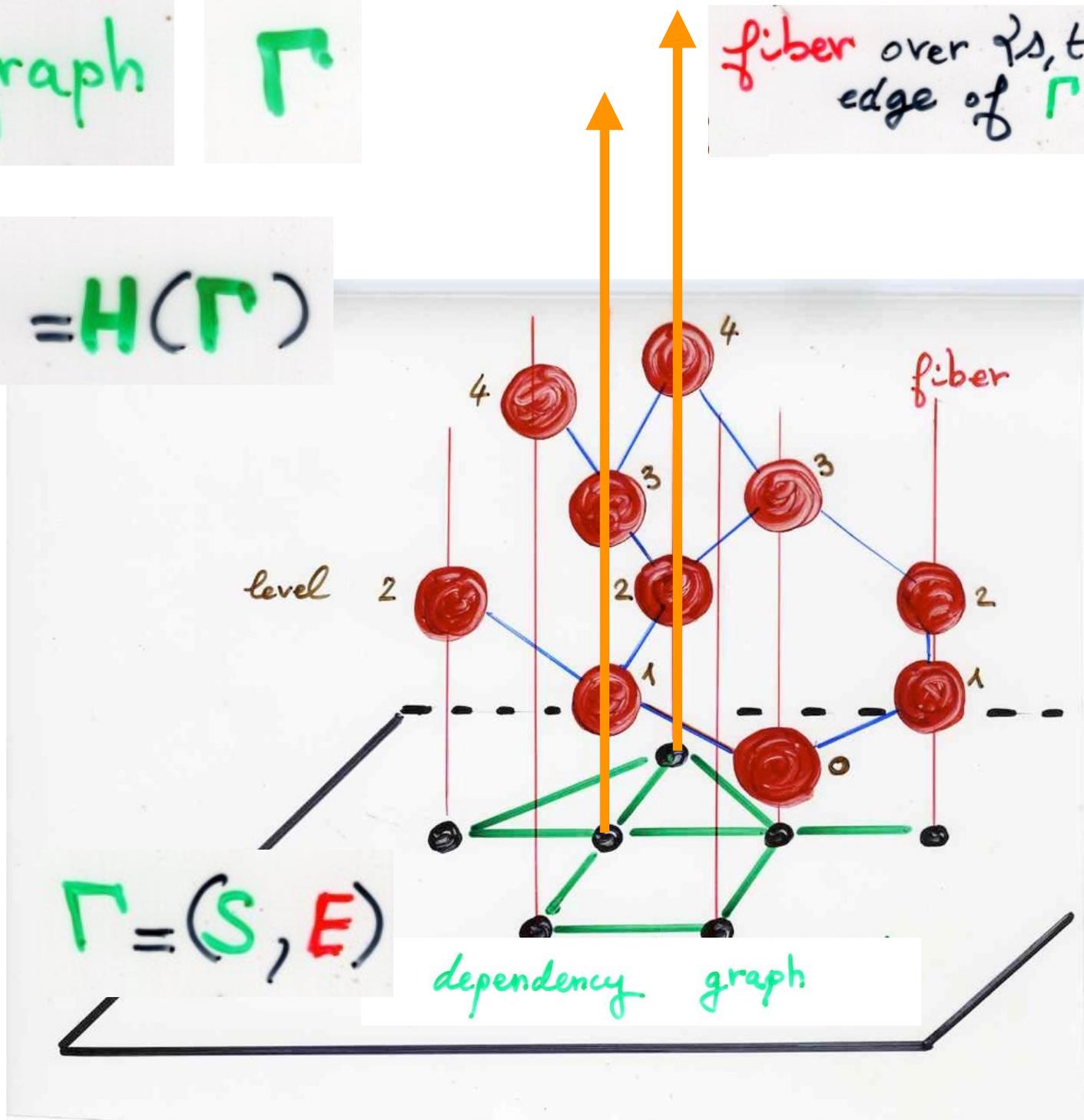
$$H(w, s) = H(\Gamma)$$

$$\Gamma = (S, E)$$

dependency graph

level 2

fiber



Symmetric group S_n

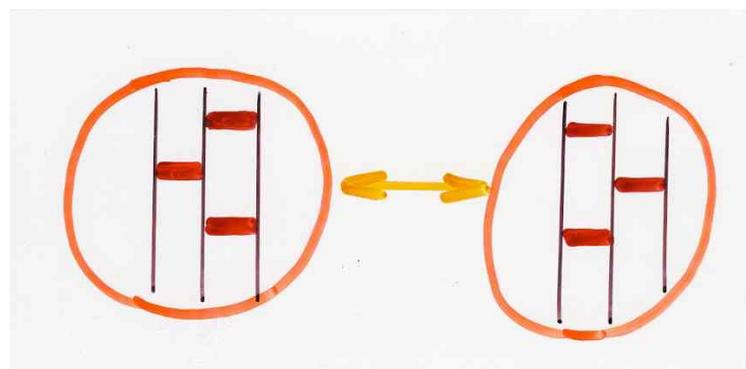
$n!$ permutations

$$\sigma_i = (i, i+1) \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

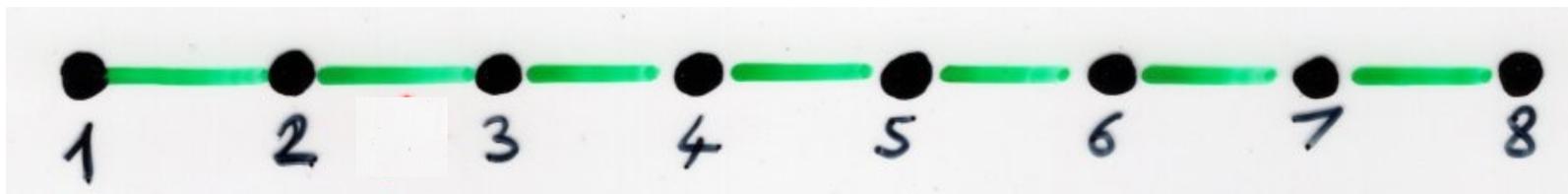
transposition of two consecutive elements

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (i) \quad \sigma_i \sigma_j = \sigma_j \sigma_i, \quad |i-j| \geq 2 \\ (ii) \quad \sigma_i^2 = 1, \\ (iii) \quad \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}. \end{array} \right.$$

Moore-Geher
Yang-Baxter



Coxeter graph

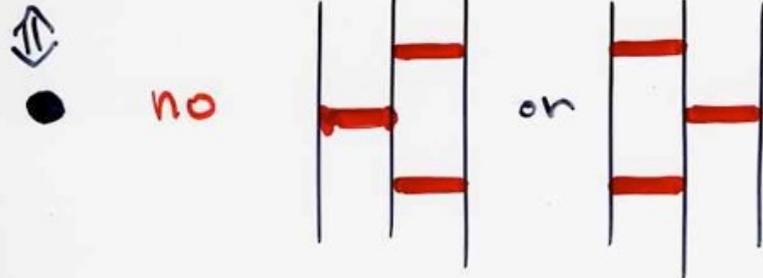


Definition An element w of the Coxeter group W is fully commutative iff $R(w)$ is reduced to one commutation class.

The corresponding heap $H(w)$ will also be called fully commutative (FC)

Prop $\sigma \in S_n$ permutation

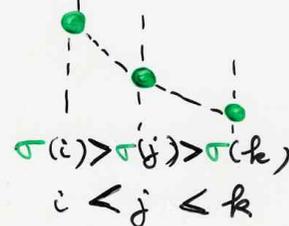
- (321) - avoiding
 - only one commutation class
- (Billey, Jockusch, Stanley) (1993)



(counted by $C_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$
Catalan numbers

(321) - avoiding permutations

no occurrence of



- E. Bagno, R. Biagioli, F. Touhet, Y. Roichman
Dec 2020

Block number, descents and Schur positivity of fully commutative elements in B_n

affine Coxeter groups

Biagioli, Touhet, Nadeau (2014, 2015)

" " " , Bousquet-Mélou
(2016)

Hanus, Jones (2010)

seminal papers

→ Stembridge (1996, 98)

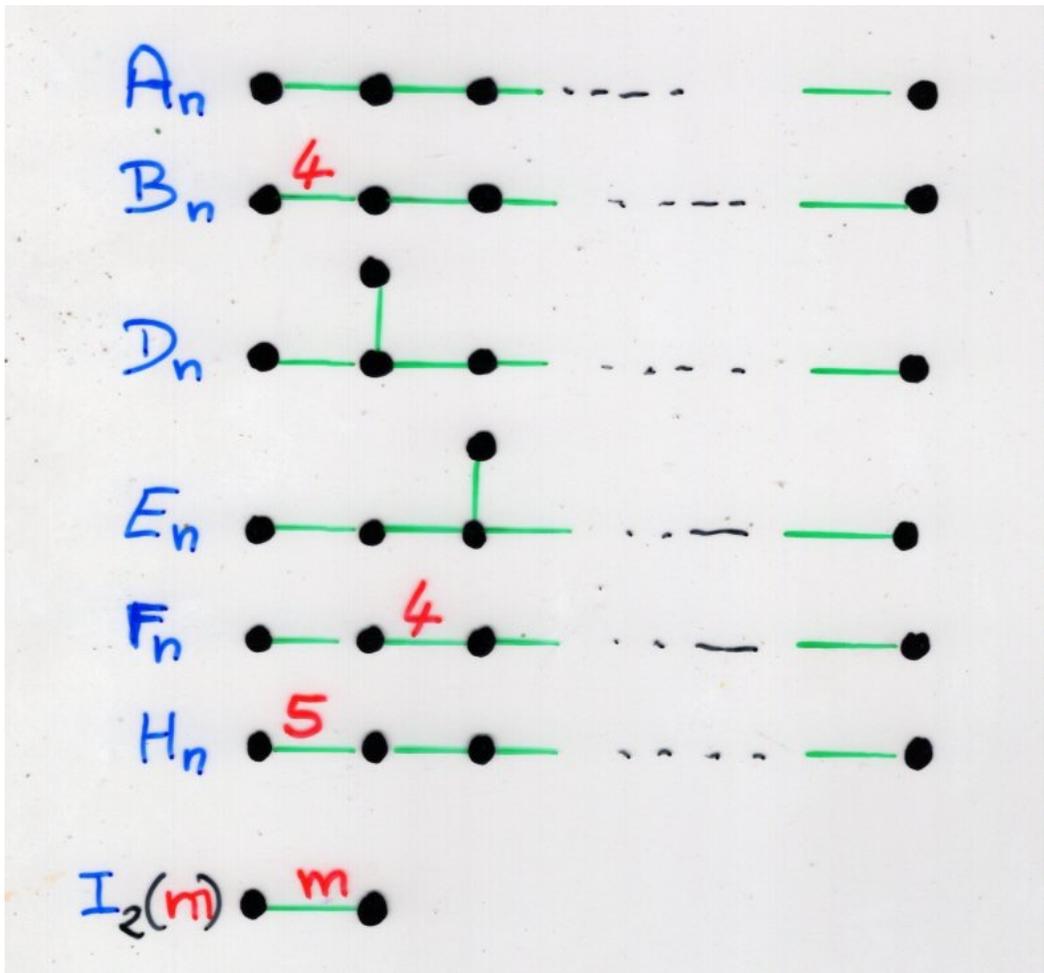
- classification of Coxeter groups with a finite number of FC elements
- enumeration in each of these cases
→ always algebraic generating functions

→ Fan (1995) for $m_{s,t} \leq 3$ (simply laced)

→ Graham (1995)

FC elements in any Coxeter group W
naturally index a basis of the
generalized Temperley-Lieb algebra
of W

finite Coxeter groups



A_n
 B_n
 D_n

E_6 E_7 E_8

F_4

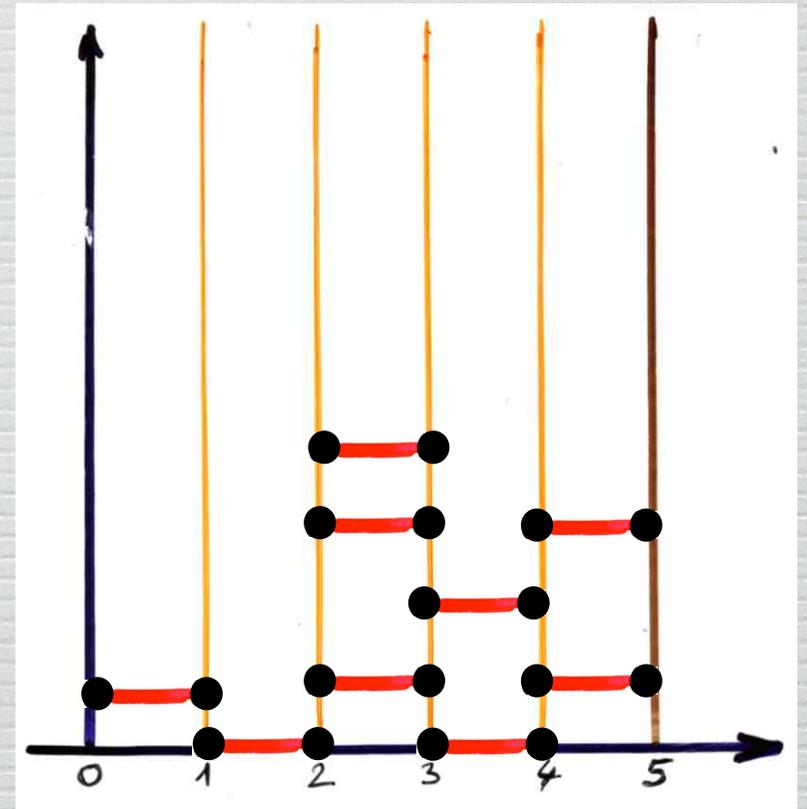
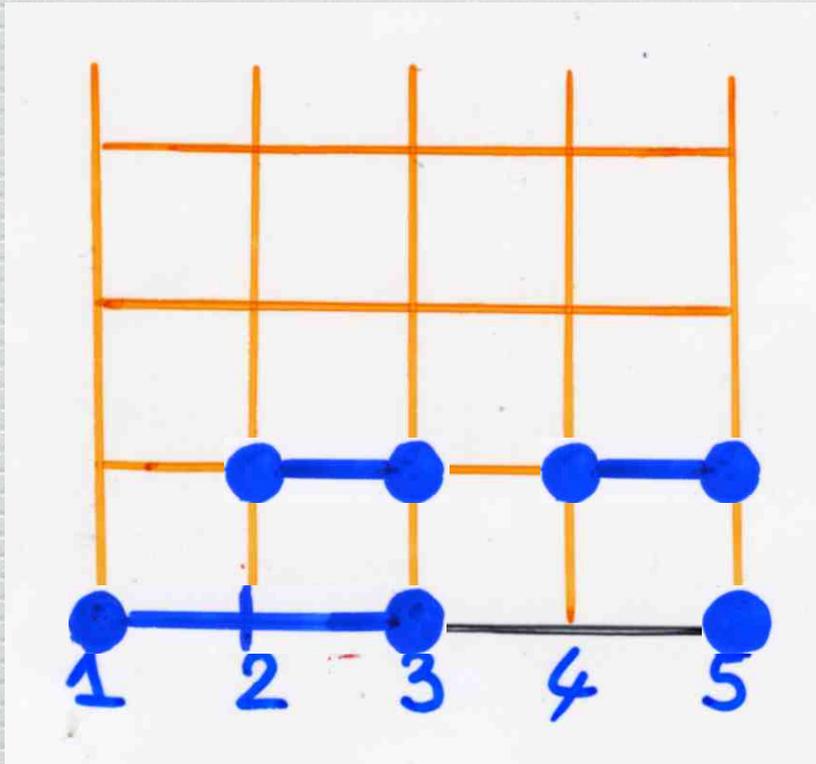
H_3 H_4

$I_2(m)$

The list of FC-finite Coxeter groups

$I_2(5) = H_2$
 $I_2(6) = G_2$

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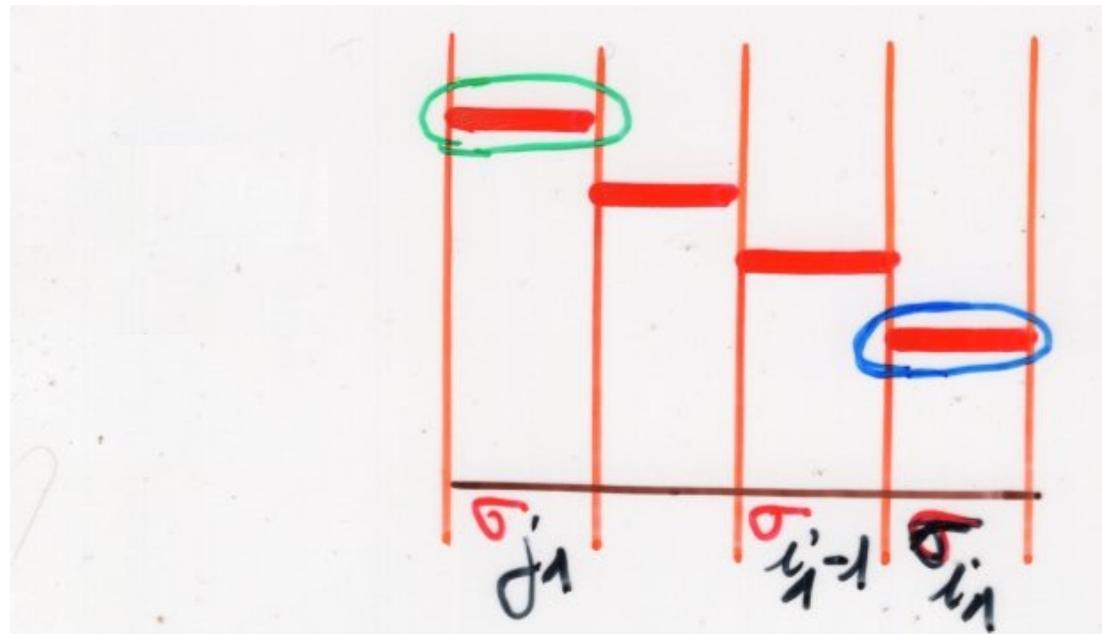
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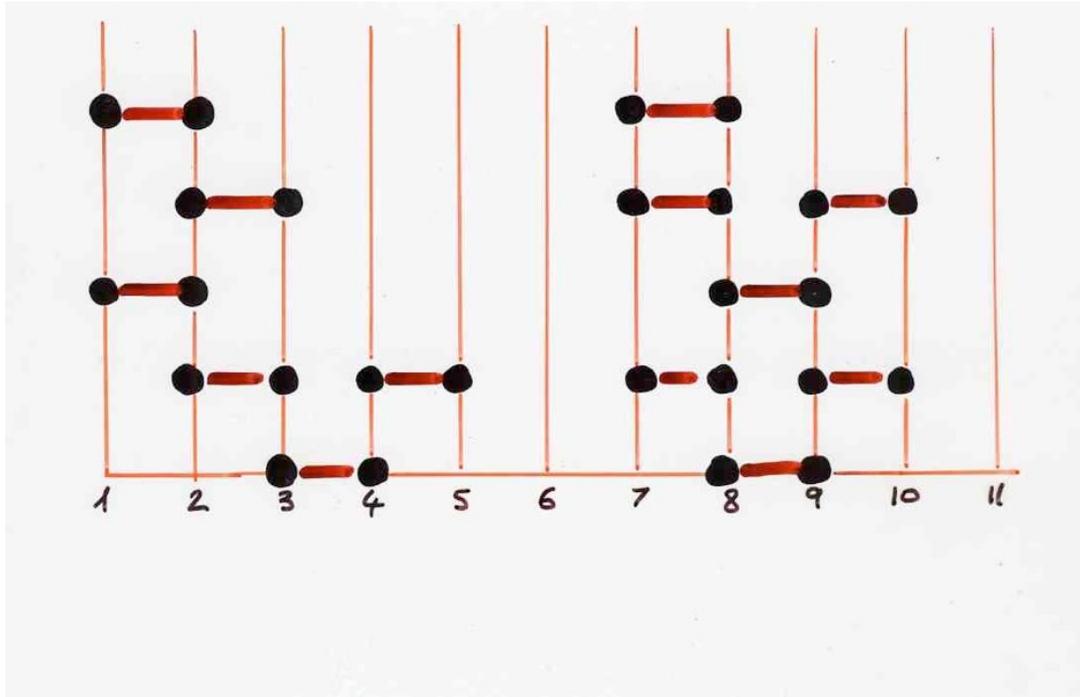
Fully commutative elements (FC) in Coxeter groups, definition slide 31

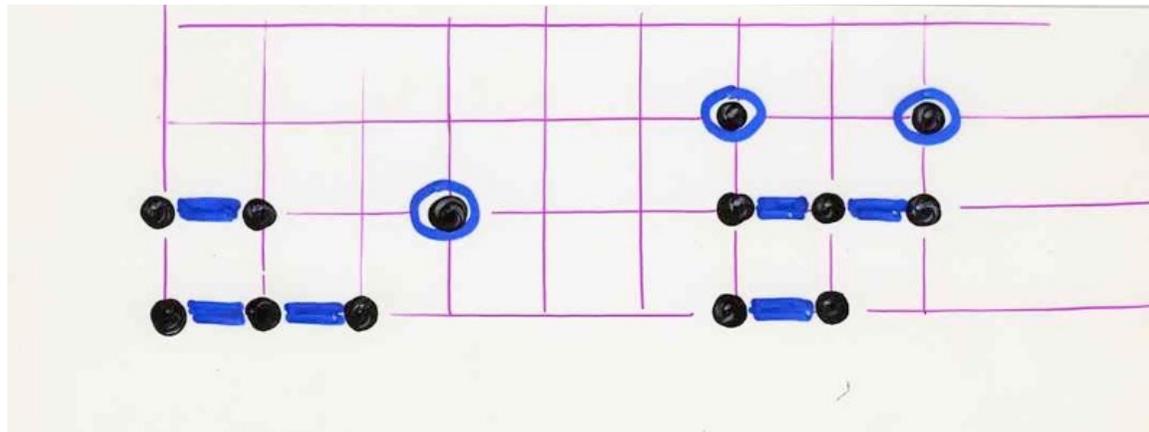
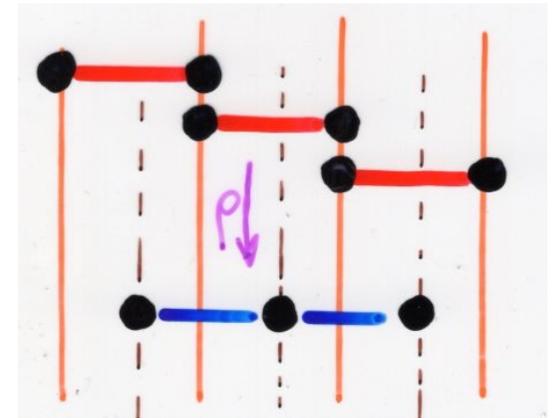
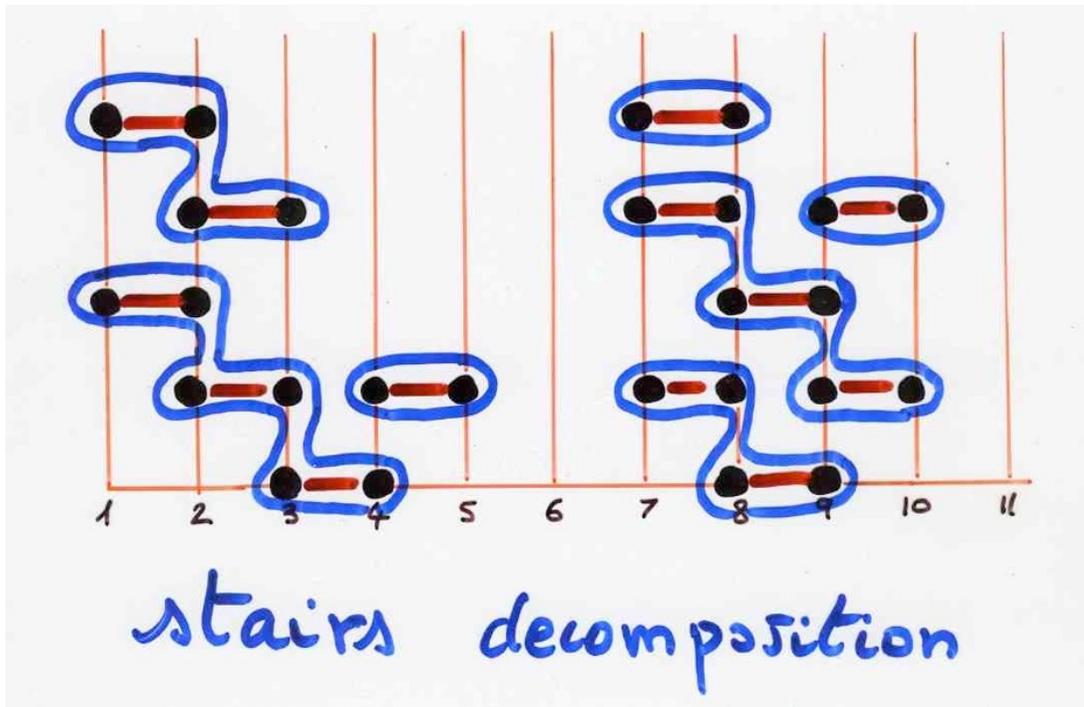
the stairs decomposition
of a heap of dimers

a stair is
a convex chain of dimers

$$d_i < d_{i-1} < \dots < d_k$$



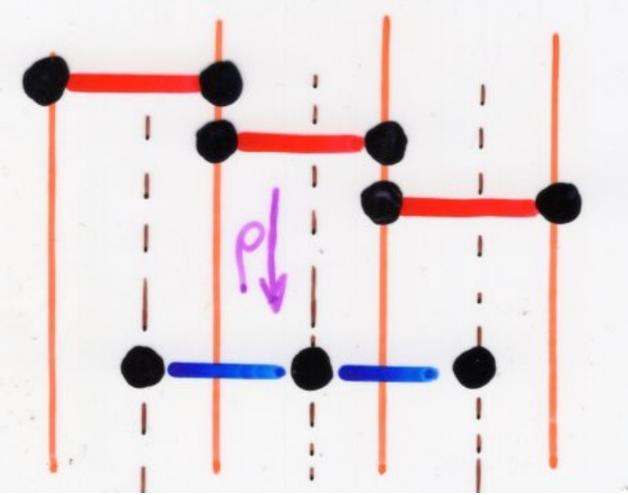




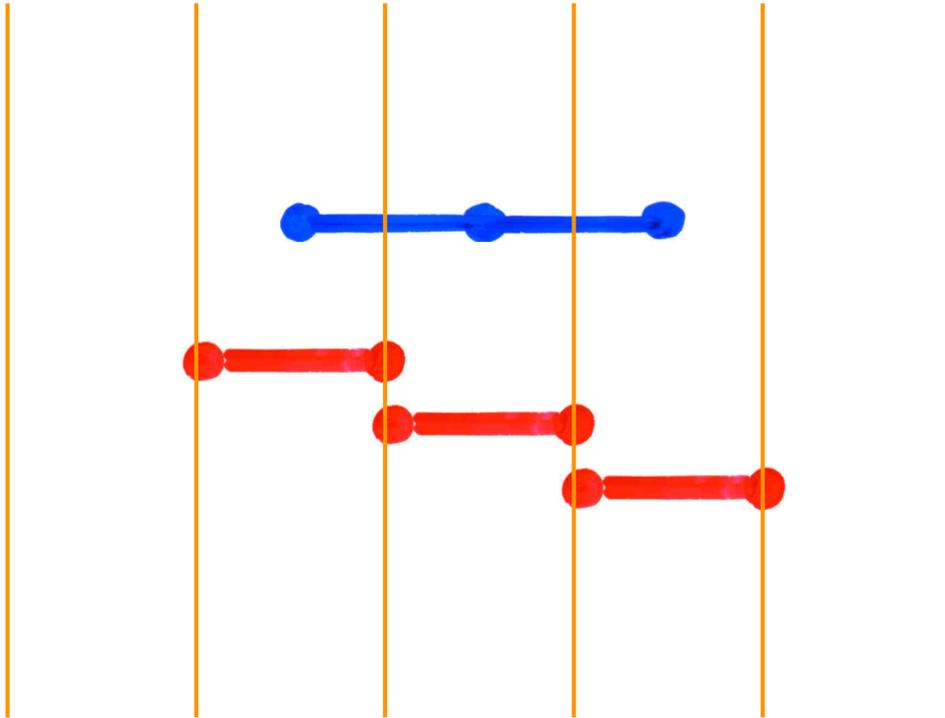
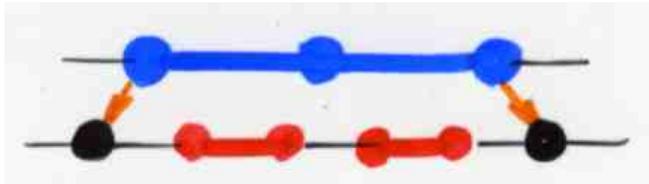
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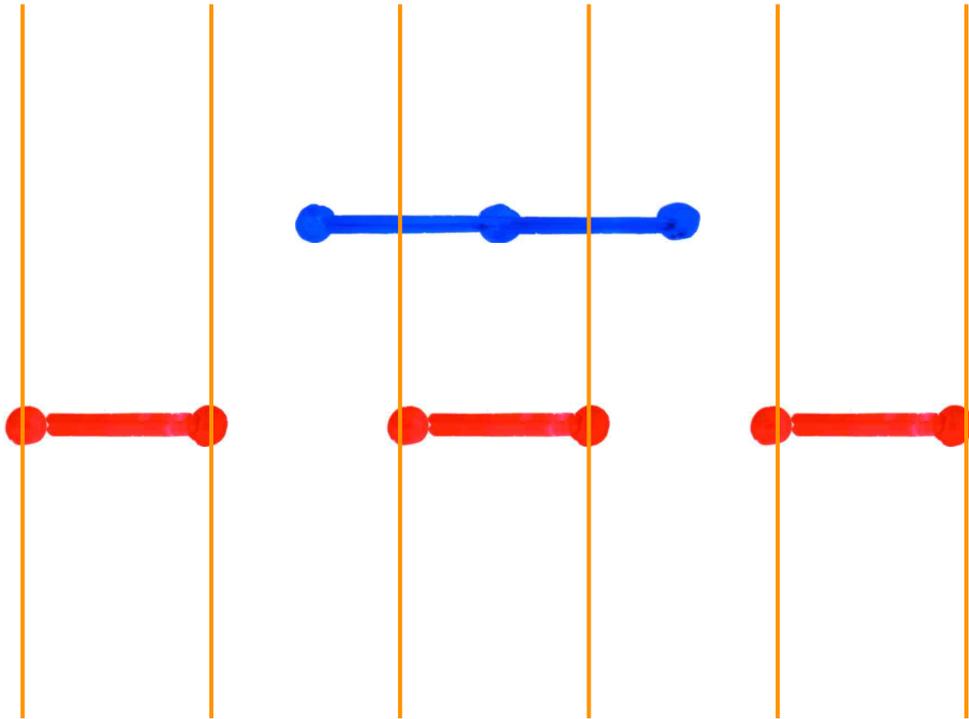
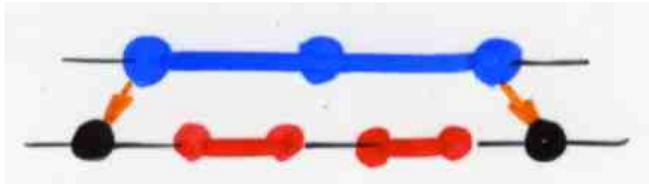
Proposition The stairs decomposition
of a heap of dimers on \mathbb{N} gives
a bijection ρ
heap of dimers on \mathbb{N} $\xrightarrow{\rho}$ heap of segments on \mathbb{N}

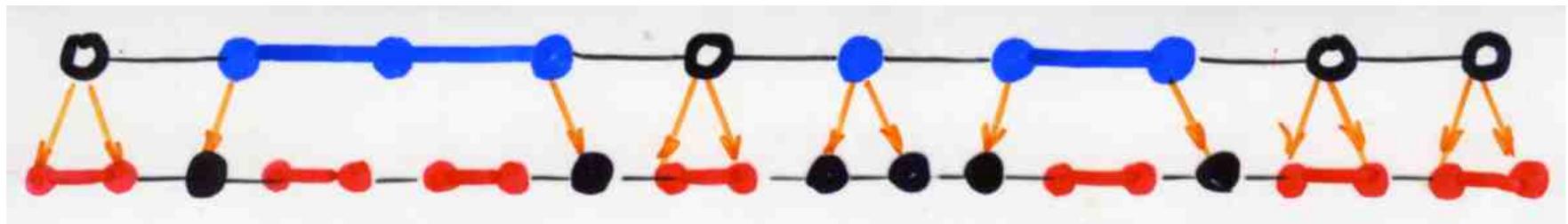
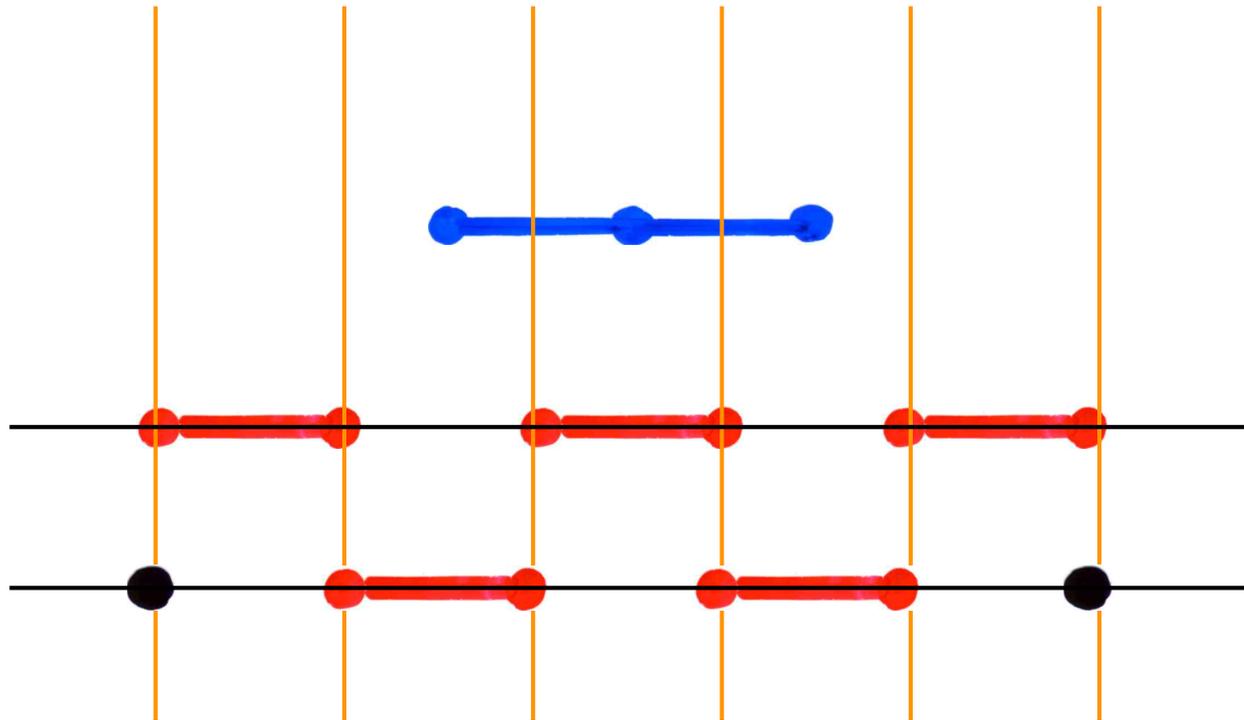
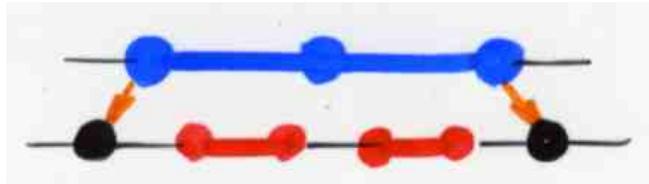
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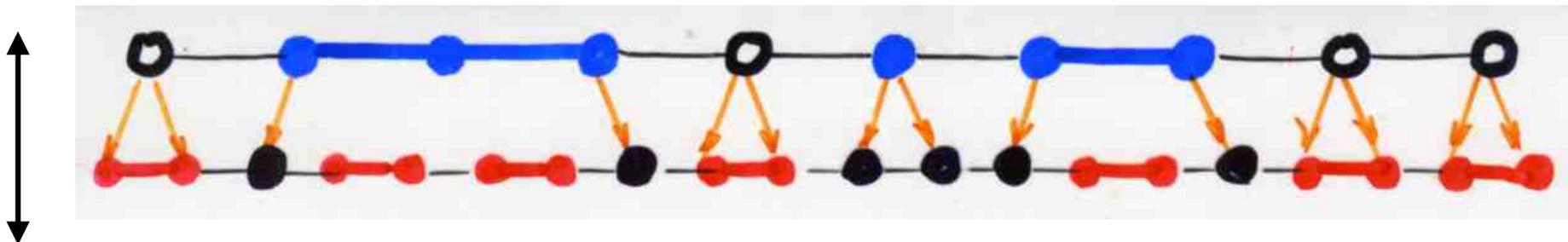
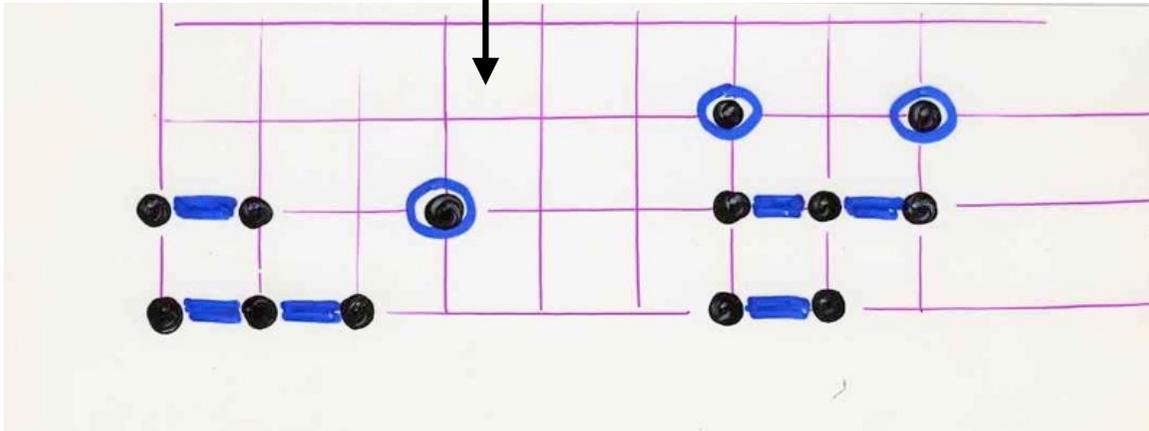
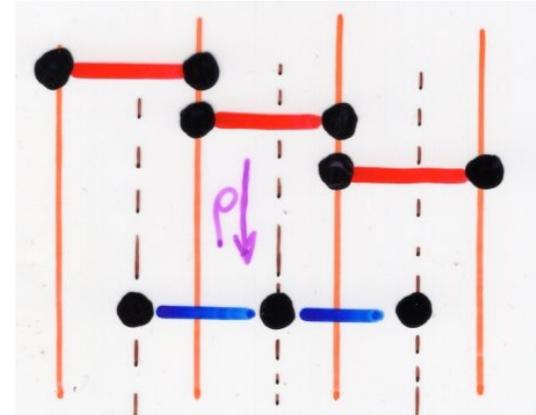
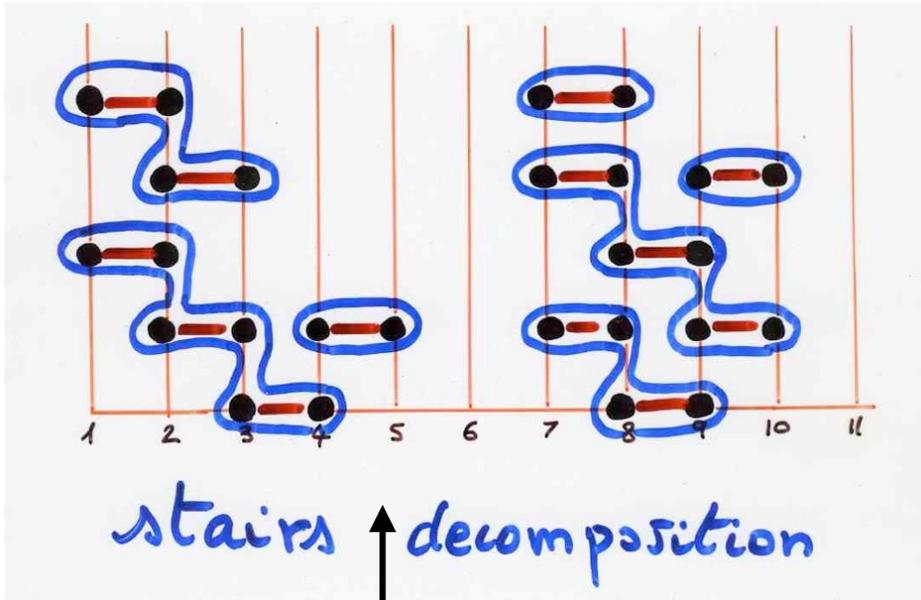


A funny remark









total order
of the stairs
in a heap
of dimers

Normal form of a commutation class

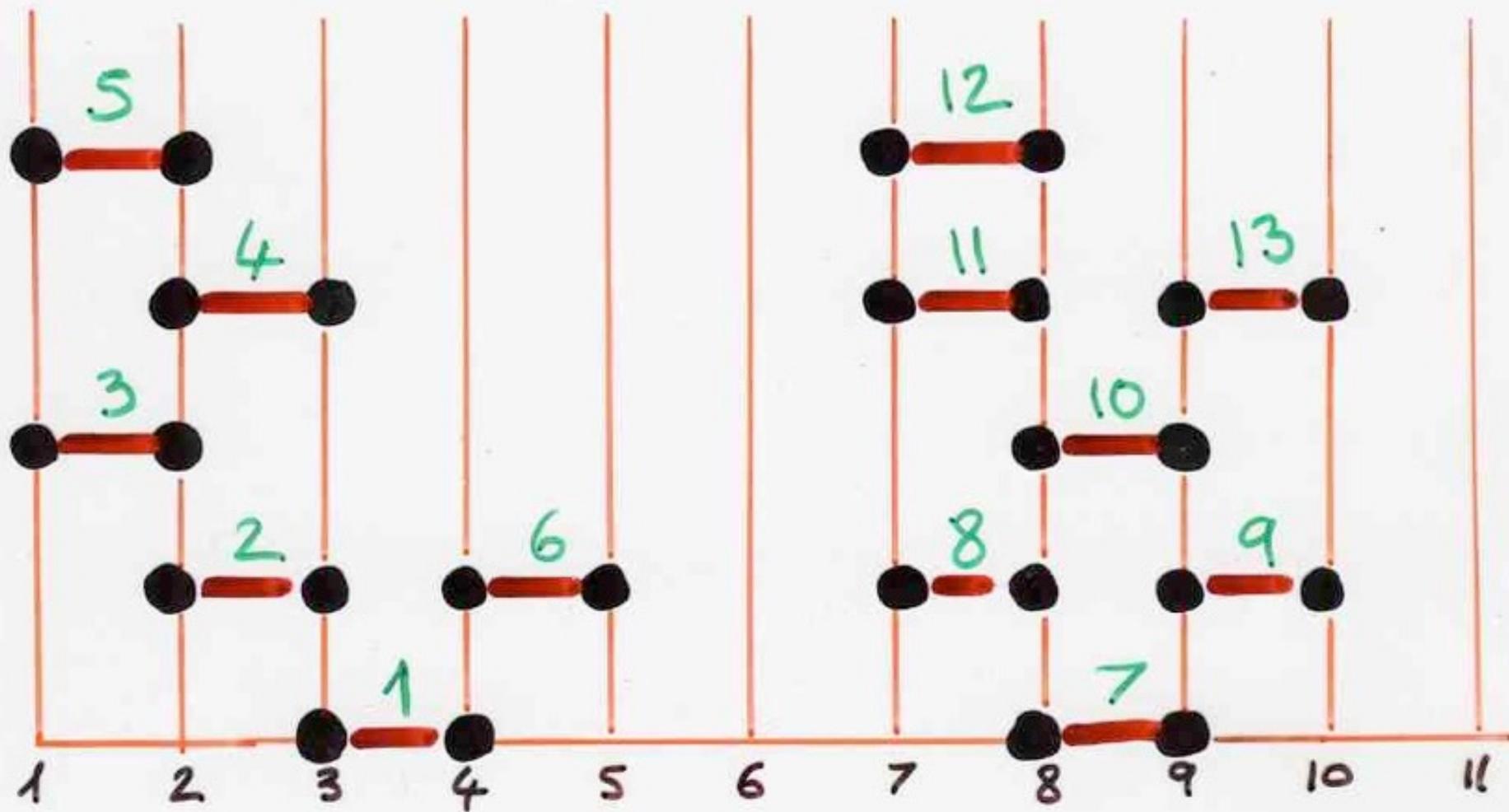
- Cartier-Foata normal form

- lexicographic normal form

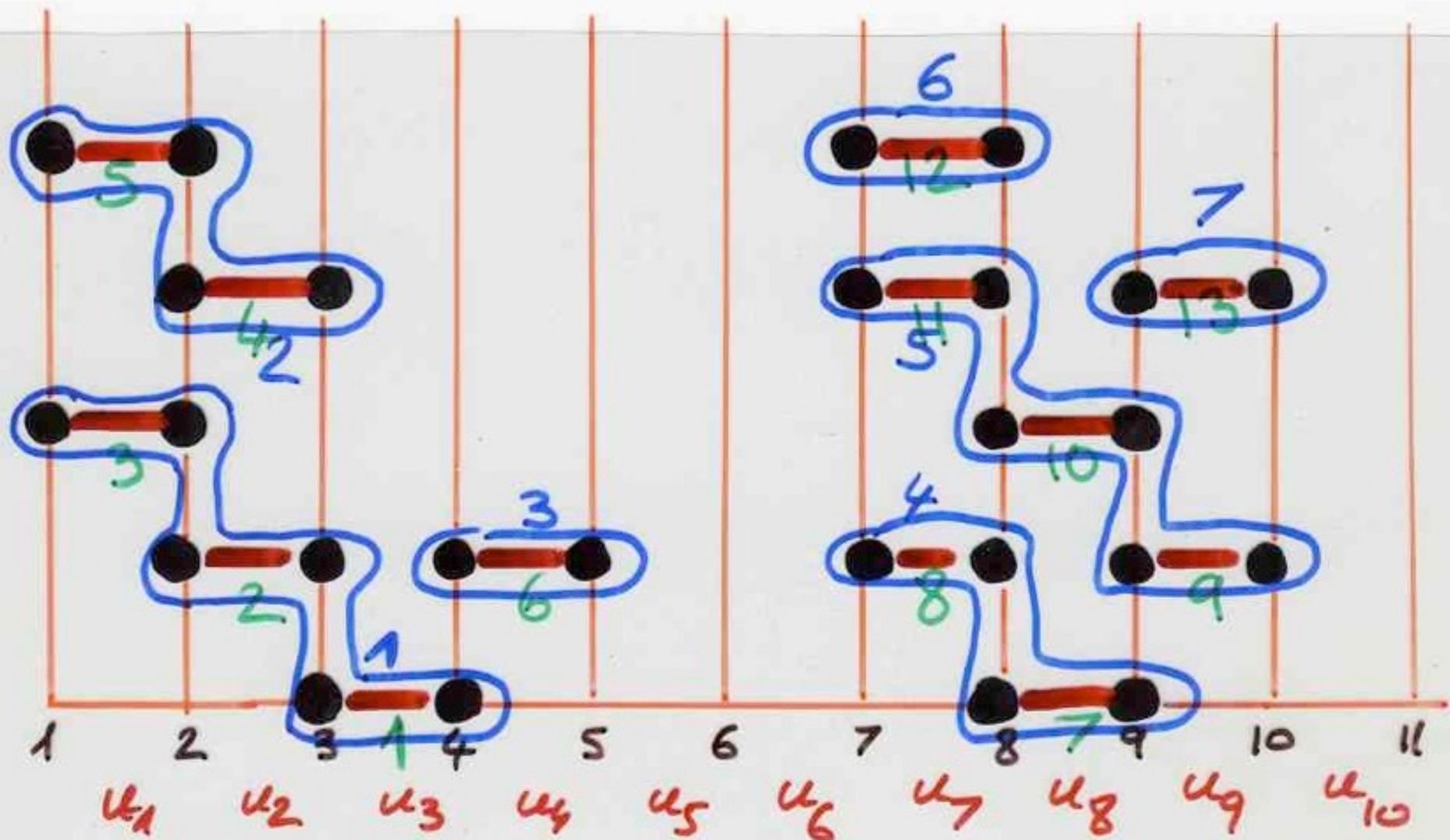
[« Knuth normal form »]

Taking the left most or
right most maximal piece.

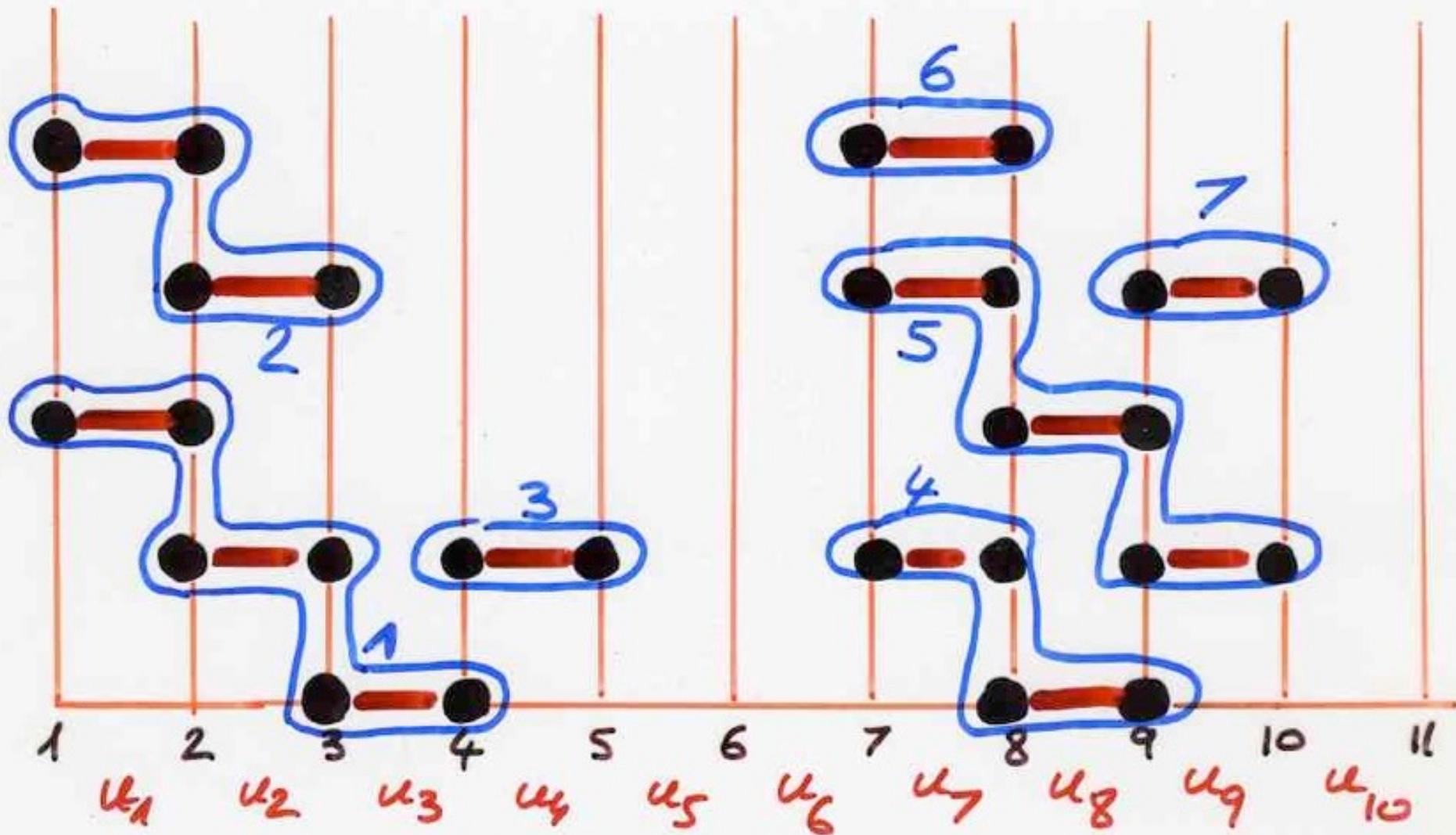
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lexicographic normal form



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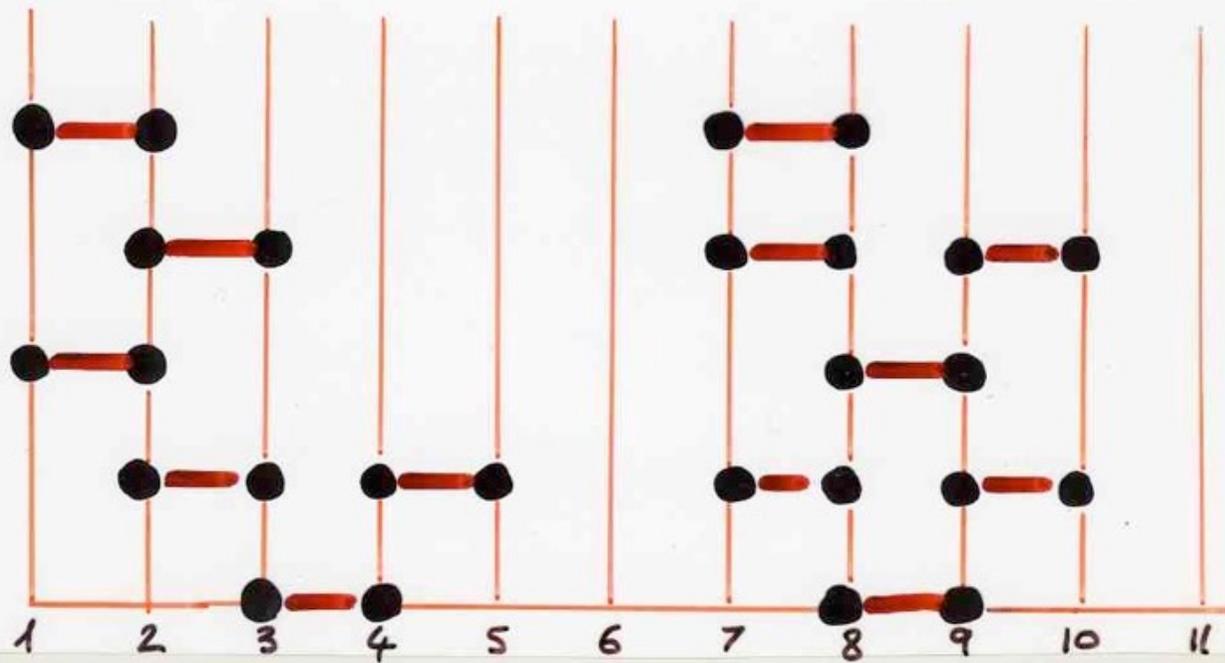
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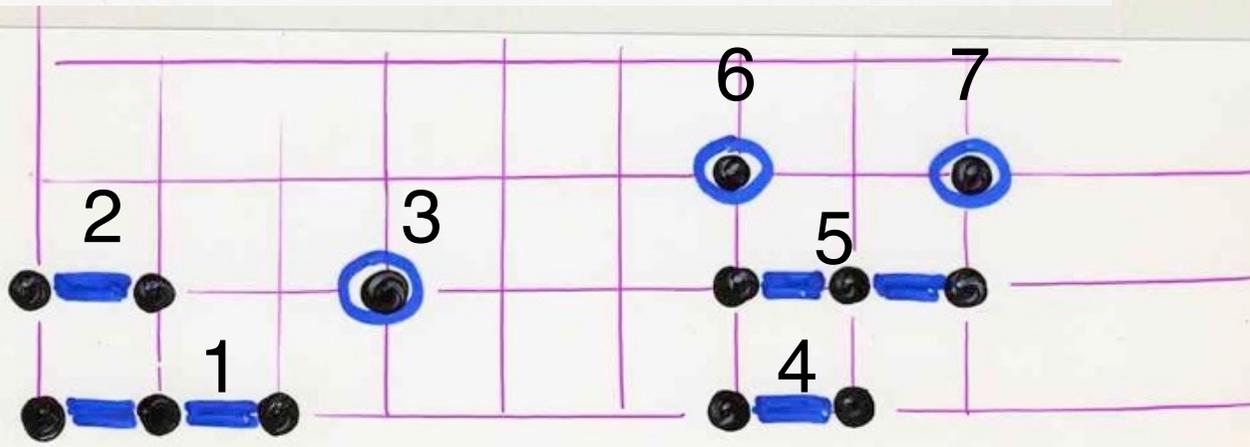
total order of the
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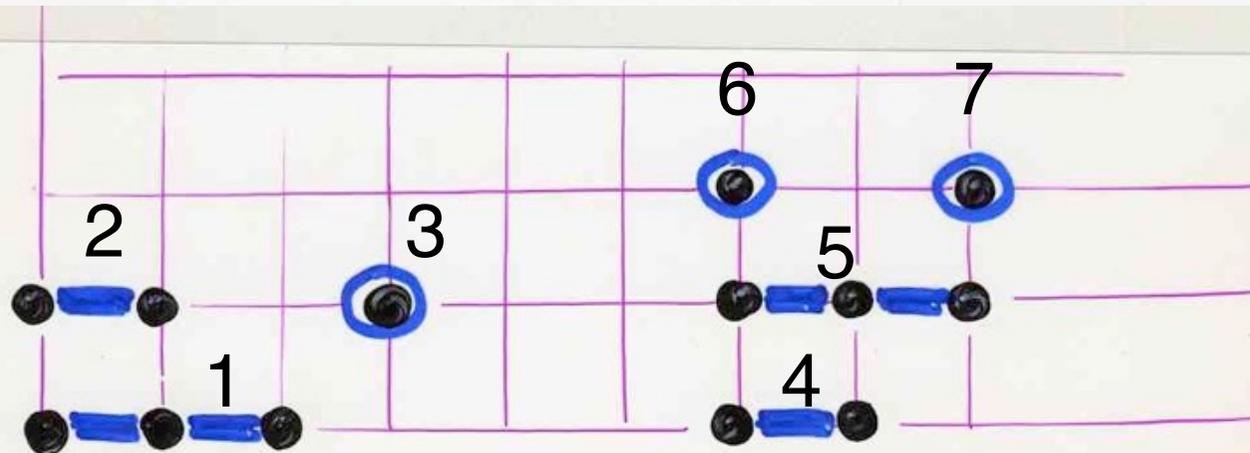
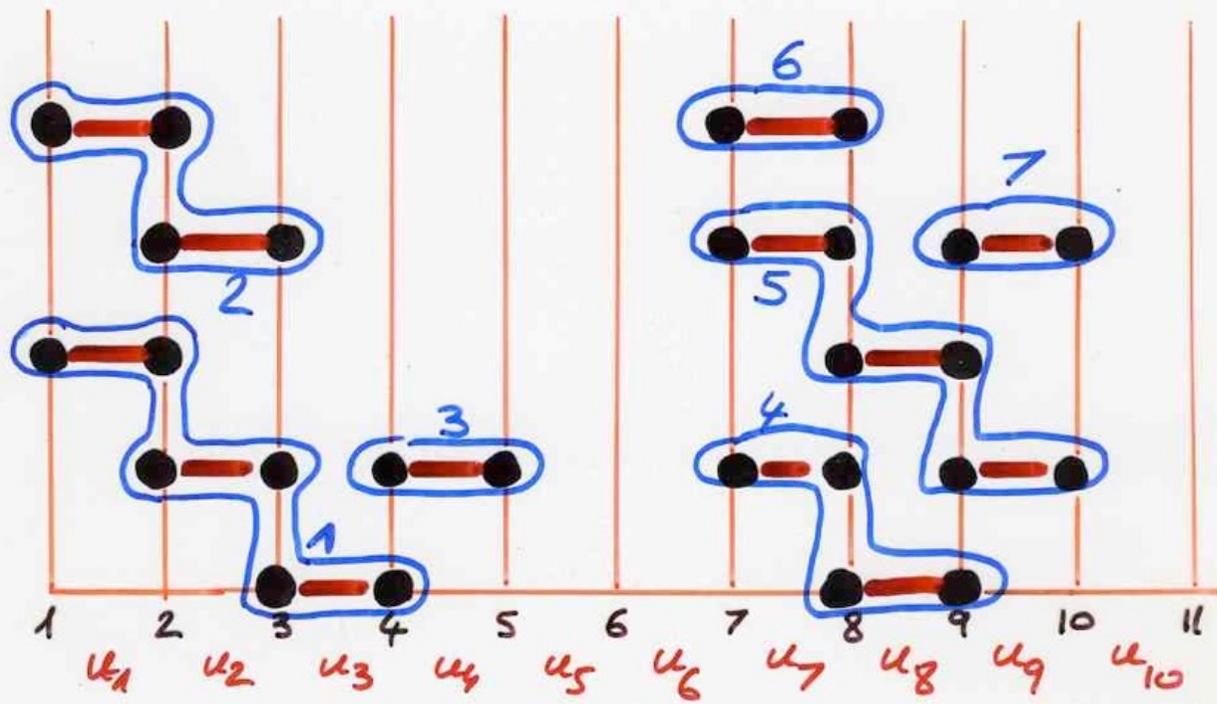


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lexicographic normal form

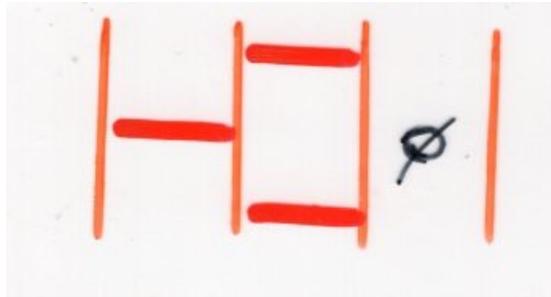




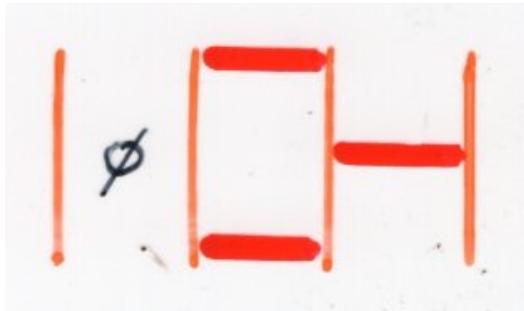
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The stair lemma

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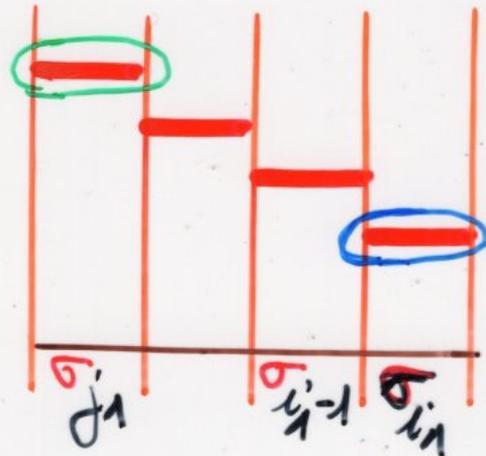


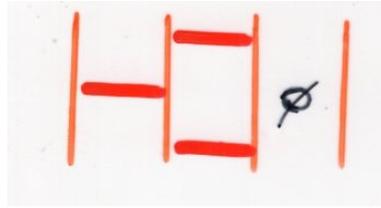
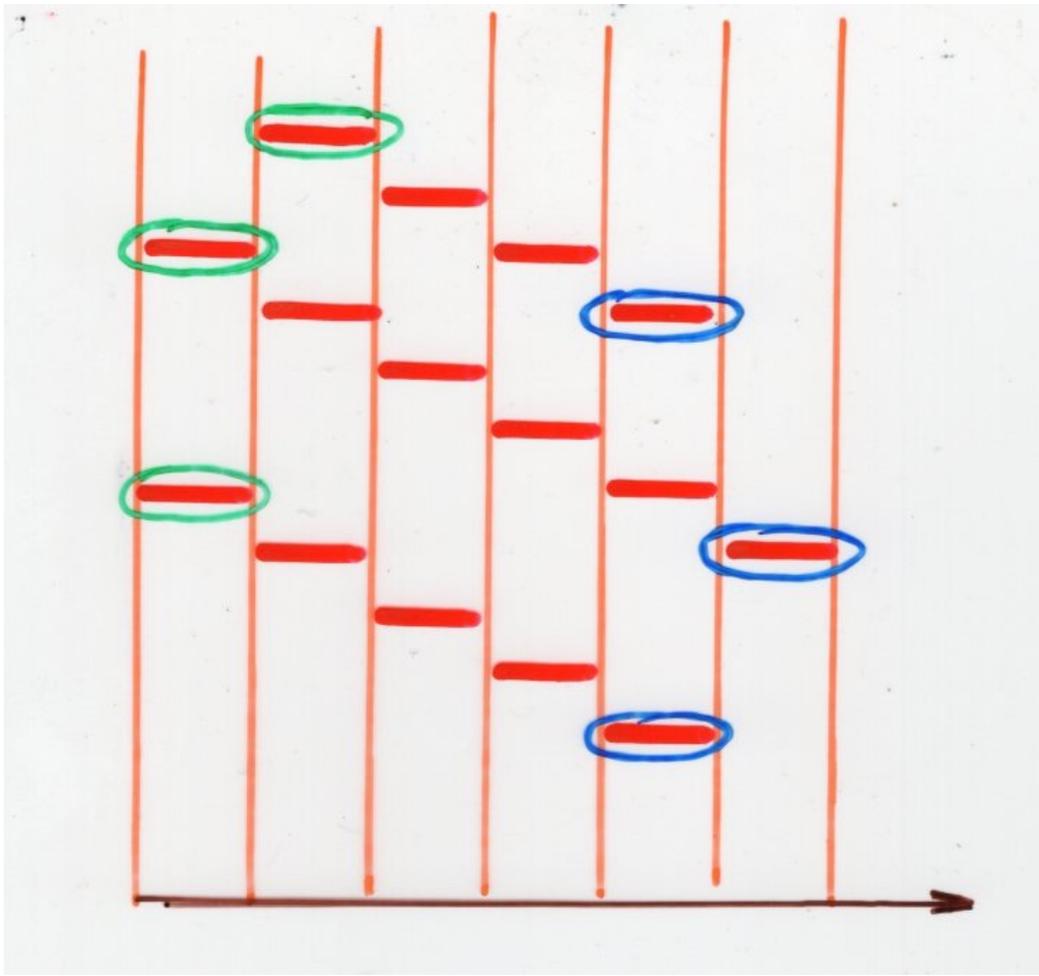
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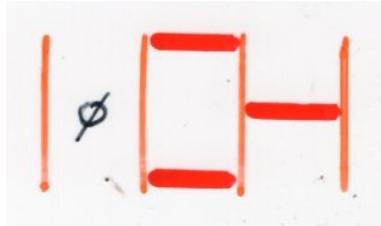
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$S_i =$



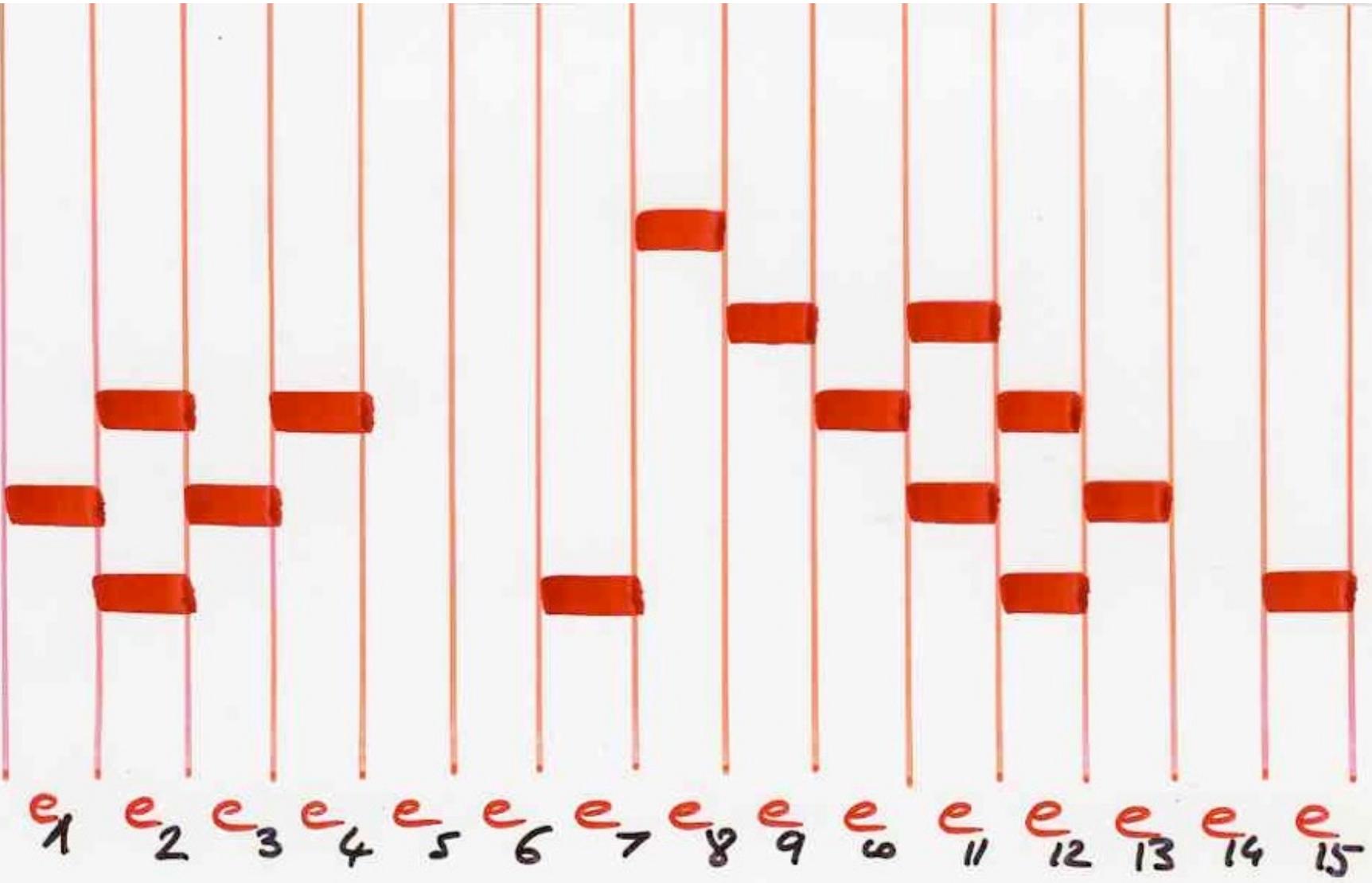


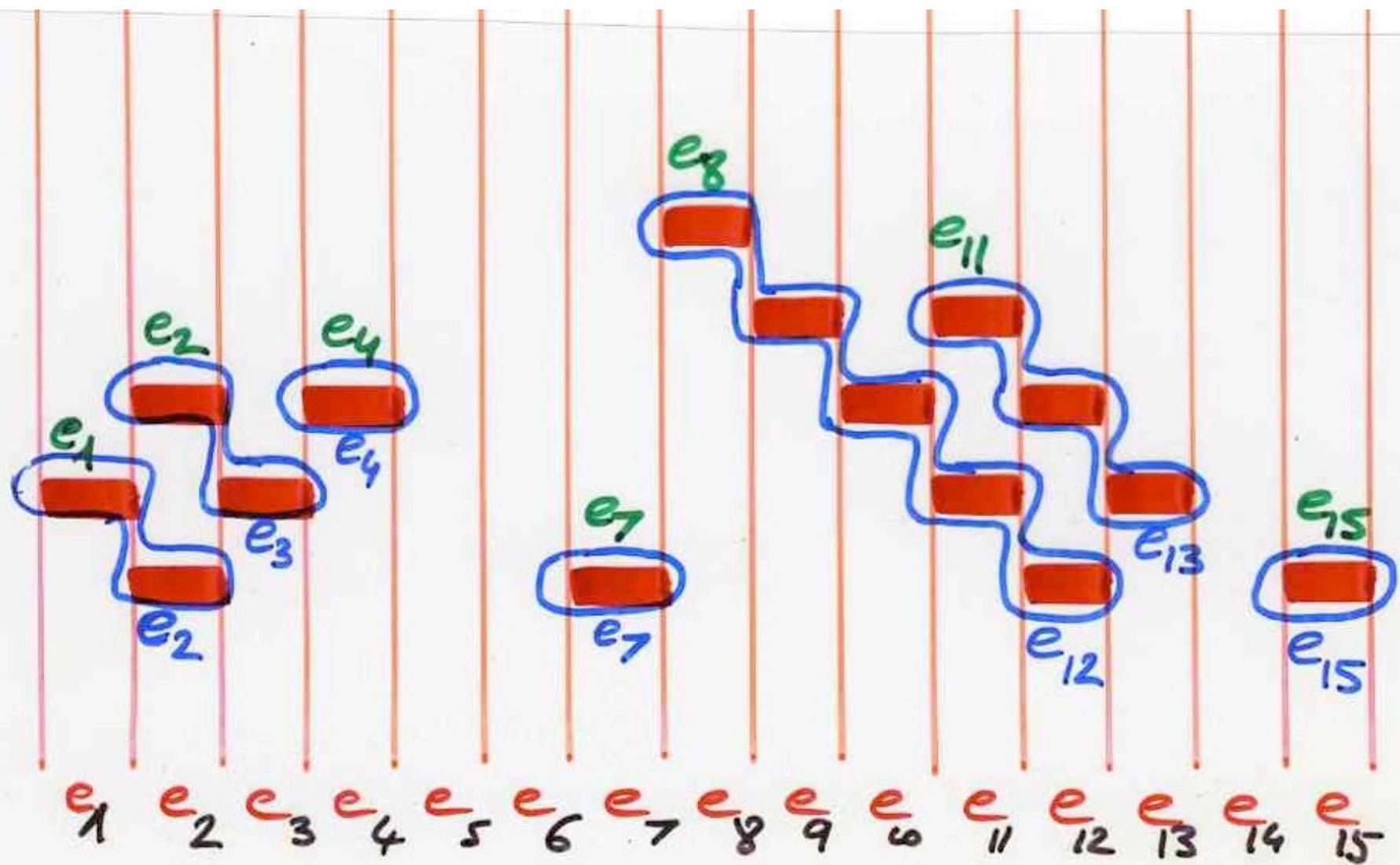
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fully commutative heaps
(of dimers)



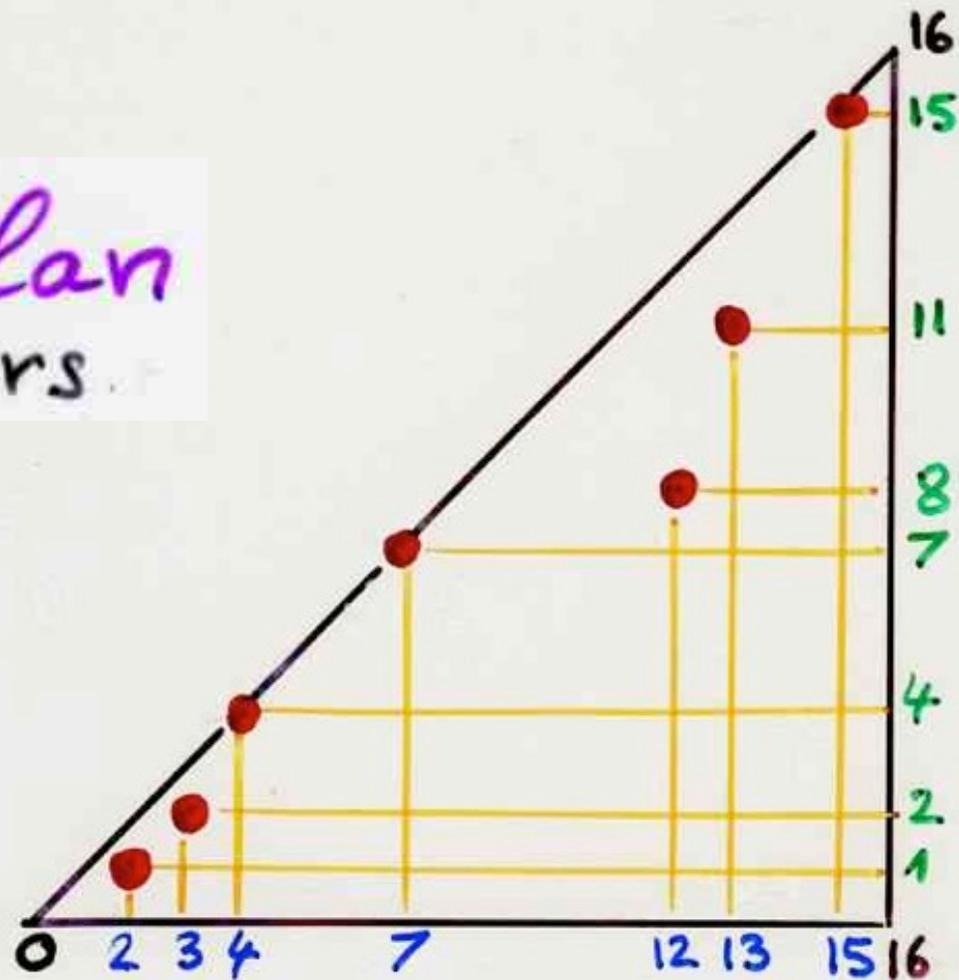




Catalan numbers.

$$1 \leq \overset{\vee}{1} < \overset{\vee}{2} < \overset{\vee}{4} < \overset{\vee}{7} < \overset{\vee}{8} < \overset{\vee}{11} < \overset{\vee}{15} \leq n$$

Catalan numbers

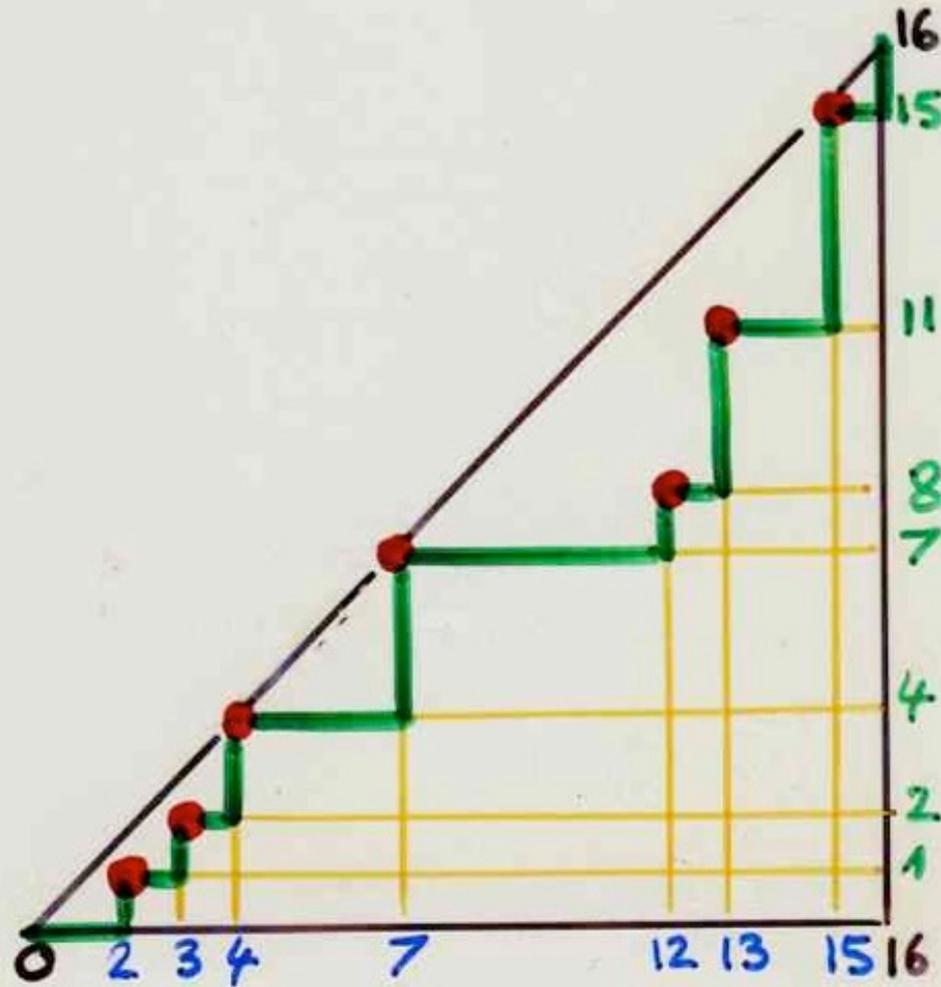


$$1 \leq \underbrace{2}_{\checkmark} < \underbrace{3}_{\checkmark} < \underbrace{4}_{\checkmark} < \underbrace{7}_{\checkmark} < \underbrace{12}_{\checkmark} < \underbrace{13}_{\checkmark} < \underbrace{15}_{\checkmark} \leq n$$

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Dyck

path



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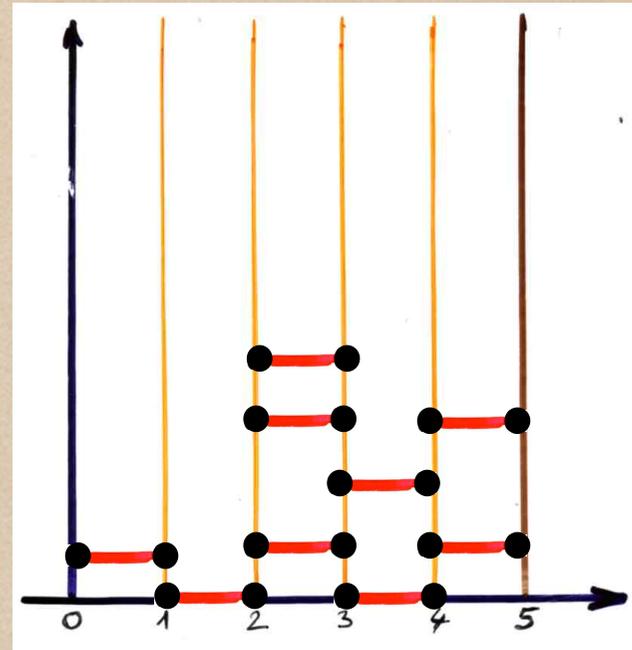
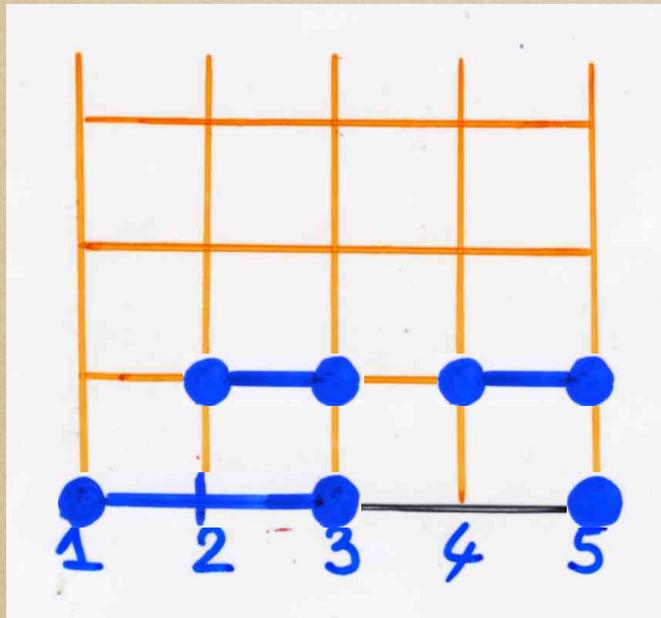
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Ch 6a, the heap monoid of a Coxeter group, reduced decomposition, fully commutative elements of Coxeter group, stair decomposition of a heap of dimers, fully commutative heaps of dimers, relation with parallelogram polyominoes, bijection FC elements — (321) avoiding permutations

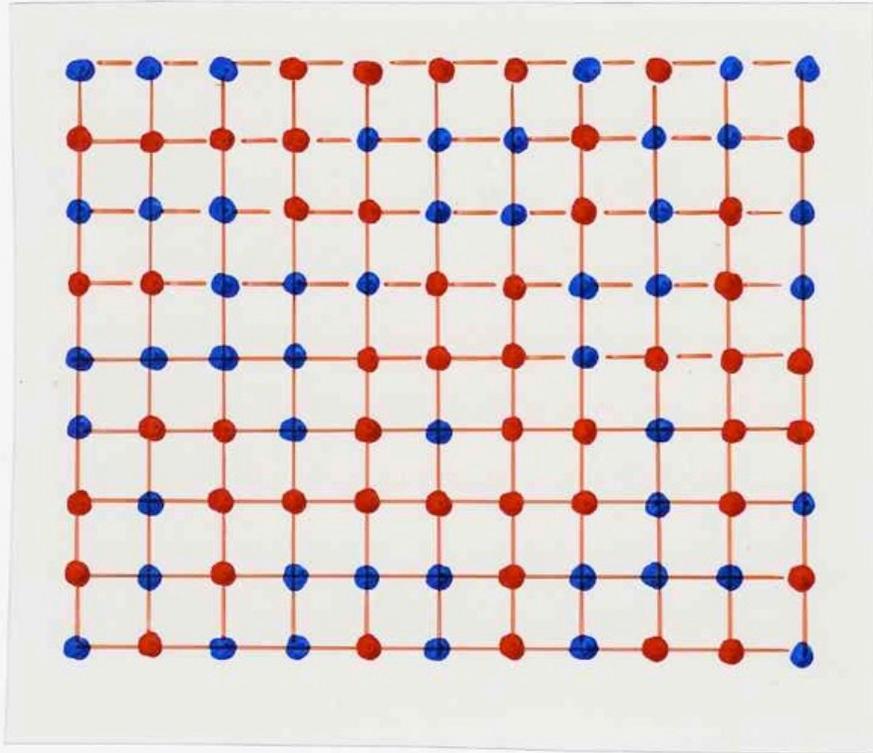
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The duality



In the context of
The first and second bijection paths-heaps

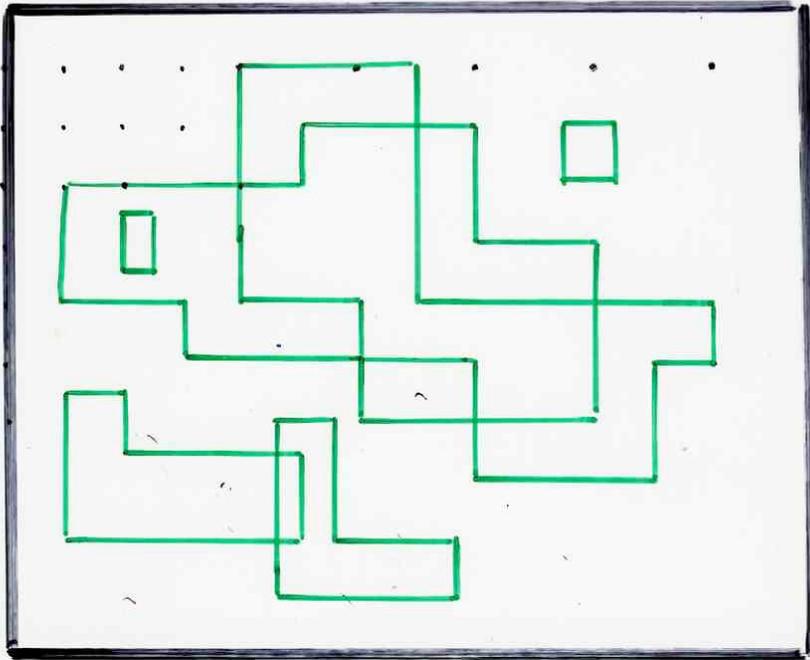
Onsager (1944)



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model

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Fisher - Temperley (1961)



"closed" graph

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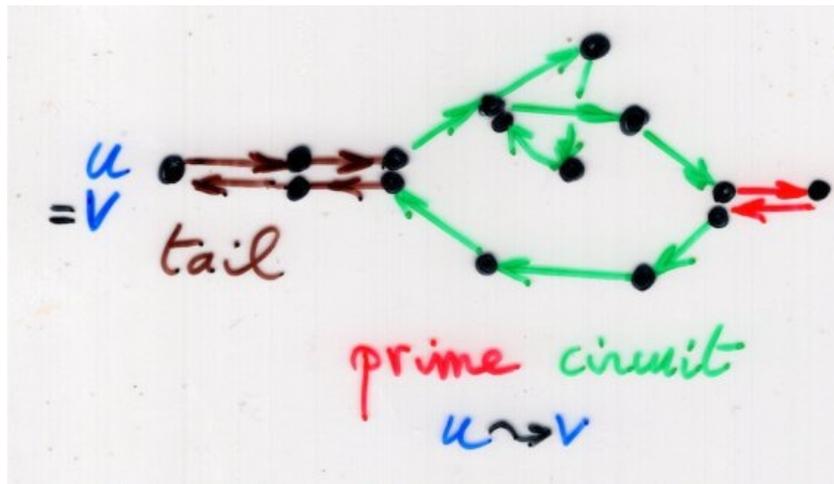
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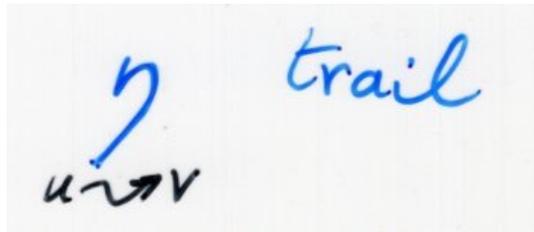
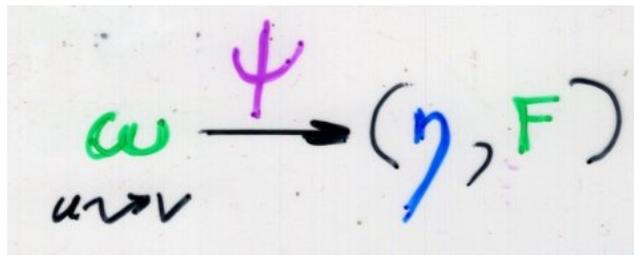
- Loop-erased random walk as a spin system observable,



back tracking

- no tail
- no back tracking

second
bijection ψ



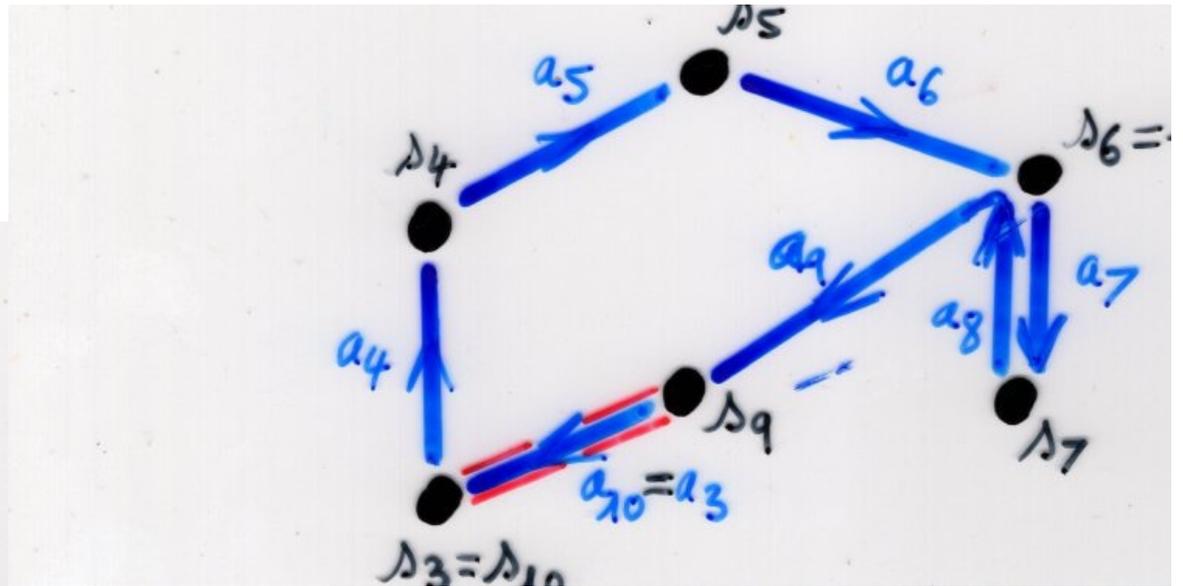
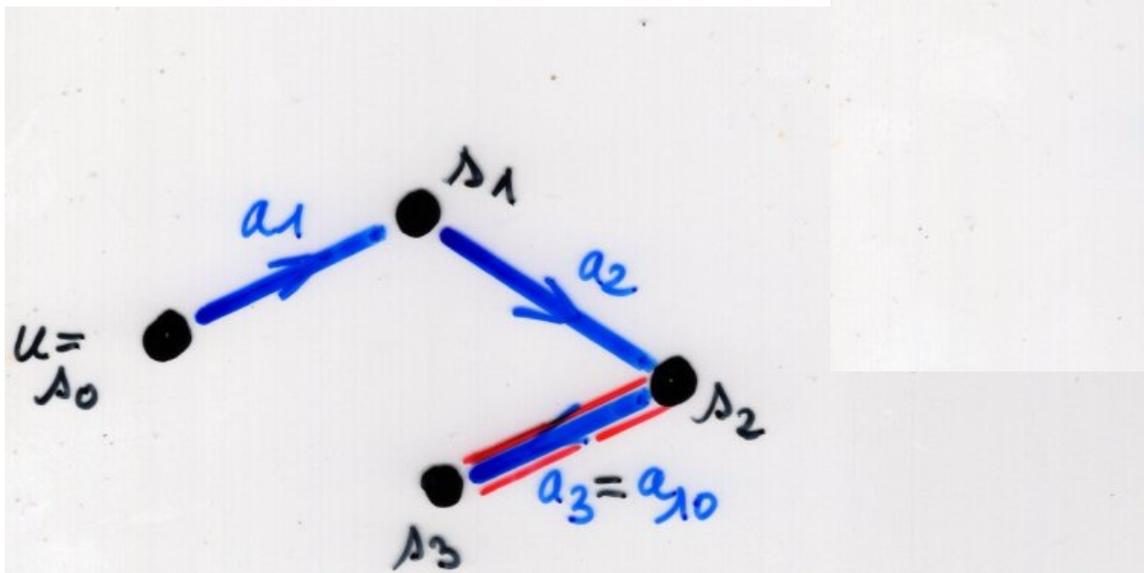
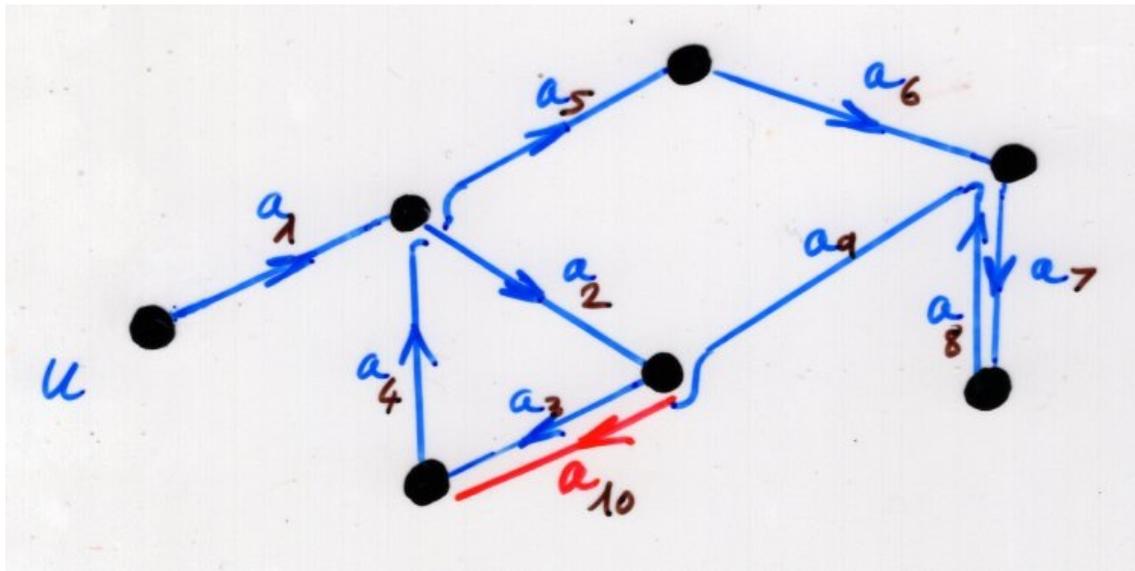
trail = path having all
oriented edges distinct

F heap of
"oriented loops"

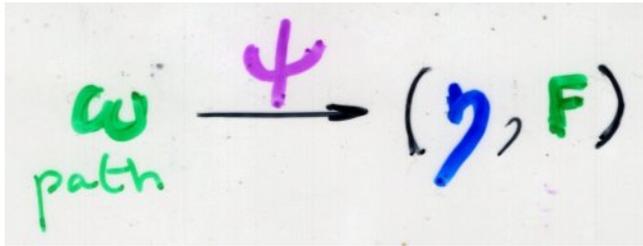
oriented
loop

equivalence
class
of trail

trail η up to a
 $u \rightsquigarrow u$ circular
permutation
of its edges



Proposition



ω (no non tail backtracking)



γ is non backtracking, no tail
each oriented loops of F
is non backtracking

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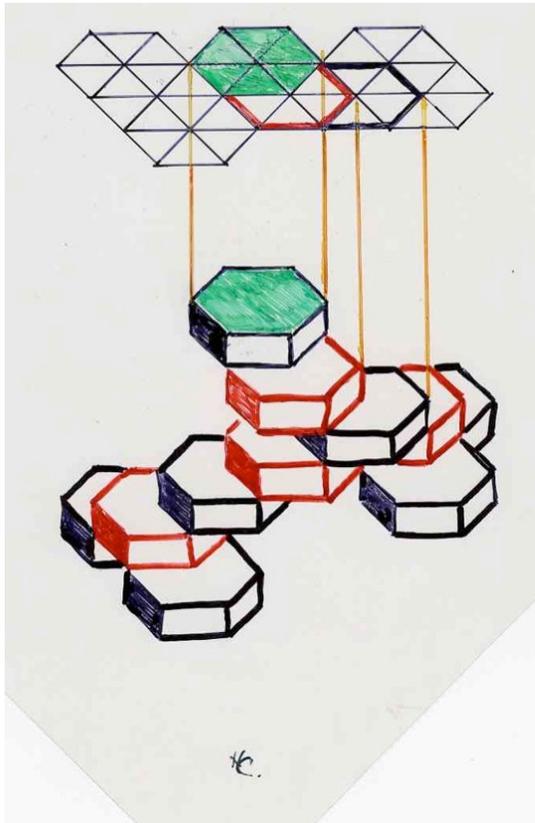
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Ch 5b, the second bijection paths — heaps of oriented loops, pp 21-31

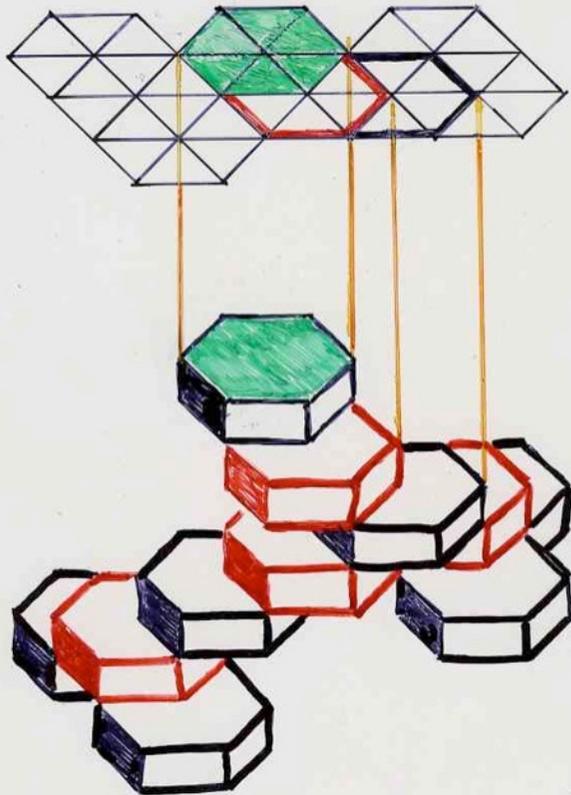
T. Helmut, « Ising model observables and non-backtracking walks »,
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The logarithmic Lemma

$$t \frac{d}{dt} \log \left(\sum_{E \text{ heap}} v(E) t^{|E|} \right) = \sum_{P \text{ pyramid}} v(P) t^{|P|}$$



$$-p(-t) = y$$



generating function
for the **density**
of **Baxter** hard hexagons
gas model

algebraic equation
degree **12**

pyramid of hexagons

hand made slide: H. Crapo

Zeta function of a graph

$$\zeta(s)$$

$$= \prod_p \left(\frac{1}{1 - p^{-s}} \right)$$

prime number

Euler identity

$$\zeta_G(t)$$

$$= \prod_{[C]} \frac{1}{(1 - t^{|C|})}$$

some "prime"
over the graph G

Ihara-Selberg zeta function
of a graph

$$\zeta_G(t)$$

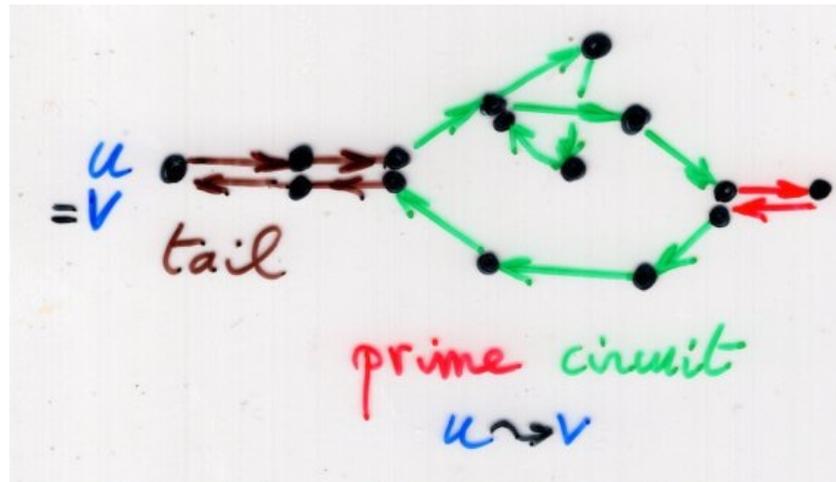
Ihara-Selberg zeta function of a graph

Ihara (1966)

$$(i) \quad \zeta_G(t) = \prod_{[C]} \frac{1}{(1-t^{|C|})}$$

equivalence class
prime circuit

no backtracking



backtracking

(- no tail
- no backtracking

Ihara-Selberg zeta function
of a graph

$$(i) \quad \zeta_G(t) = \prod_{[c]} \frac{1}{(1-t^{|c|})}$$

$$(ii) \quad \zeta_G(t) = \frac{1}{\det(1-Ht)}$$

$$(iii) \quad \zeta_G(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t^2)^{m-n}} \frac{1}{\det(I-tA+t^2(D-I))}$$

$$t \frac{d}{dt} \log \zeta_G(t)$$

Bass formula

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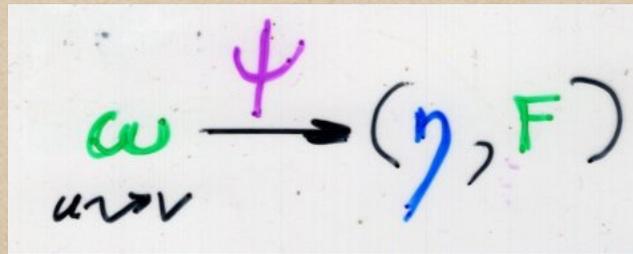
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Ch 5b, zeta function of a graph, pp 7-20

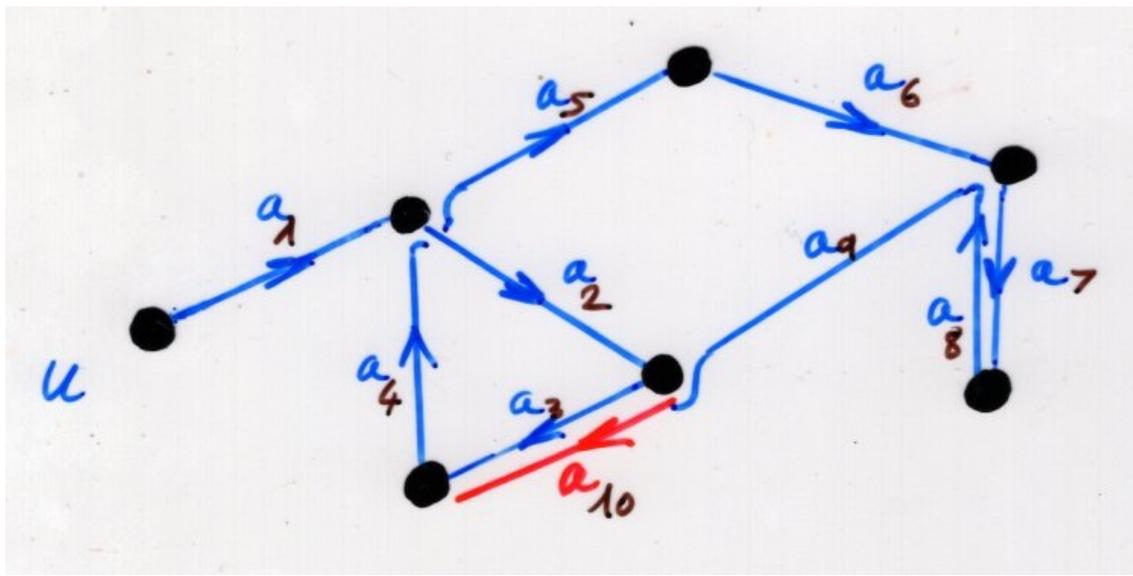
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bijections

Dyck paths



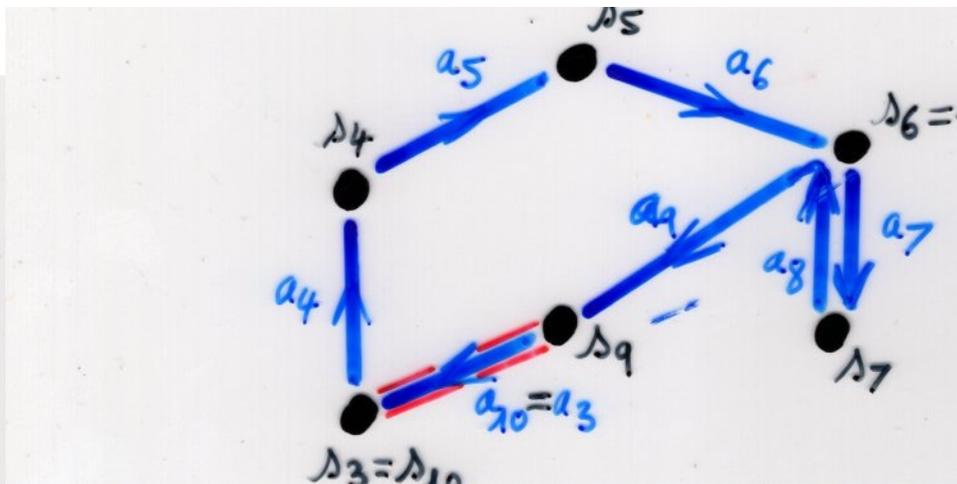
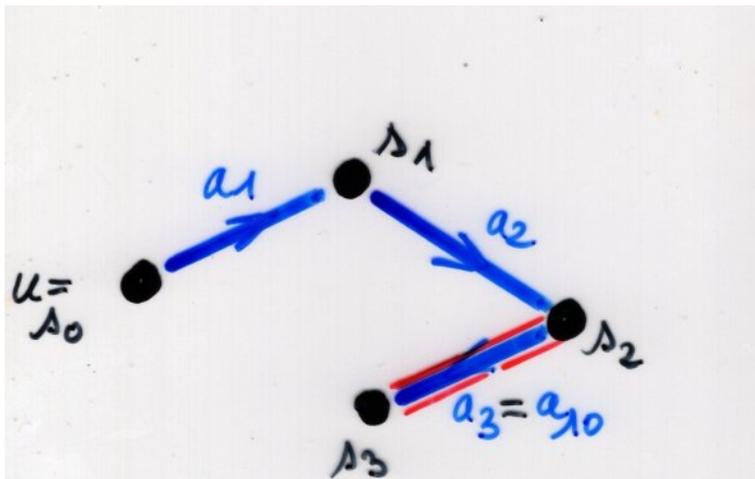
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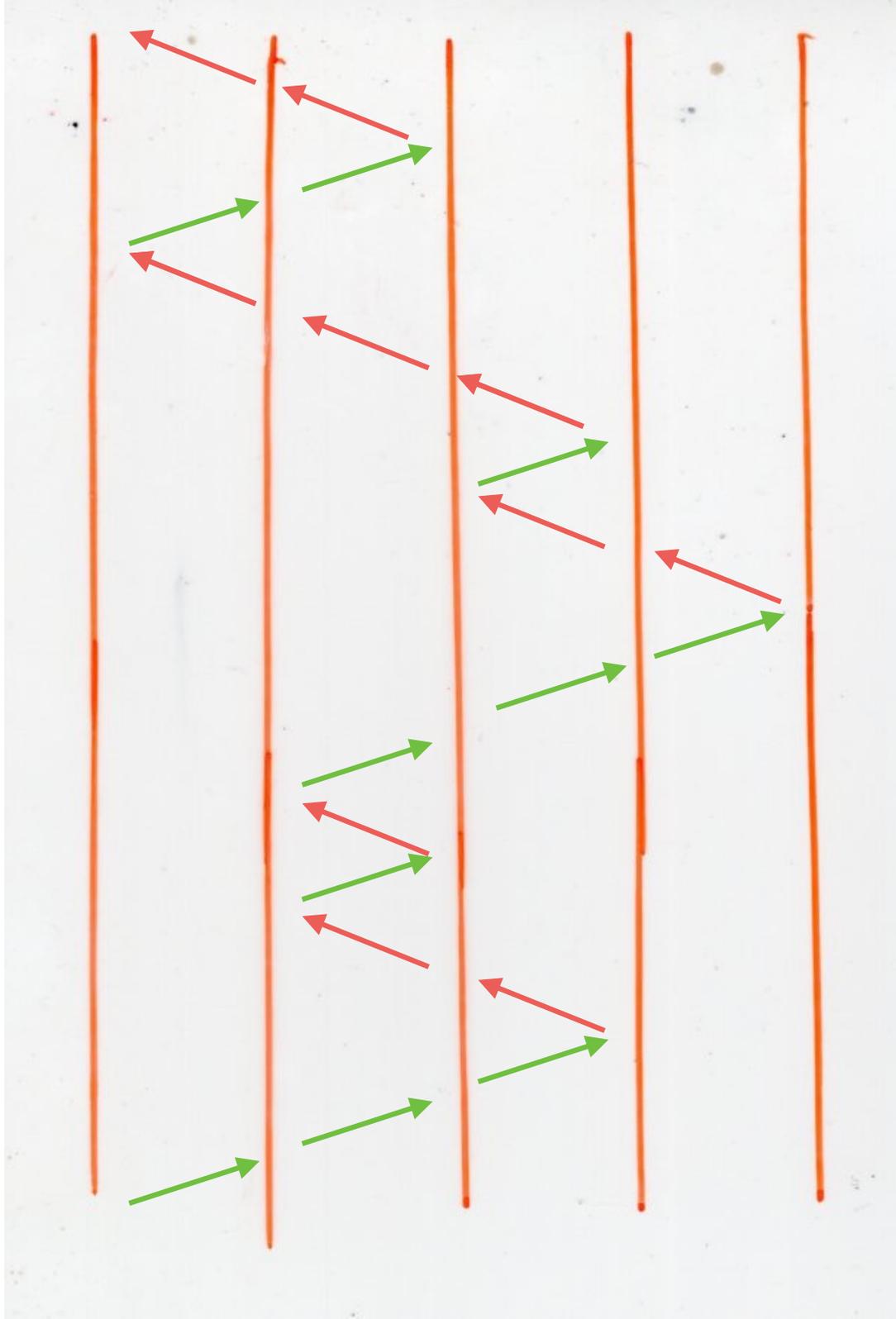


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$u \rightsquigarrow v$

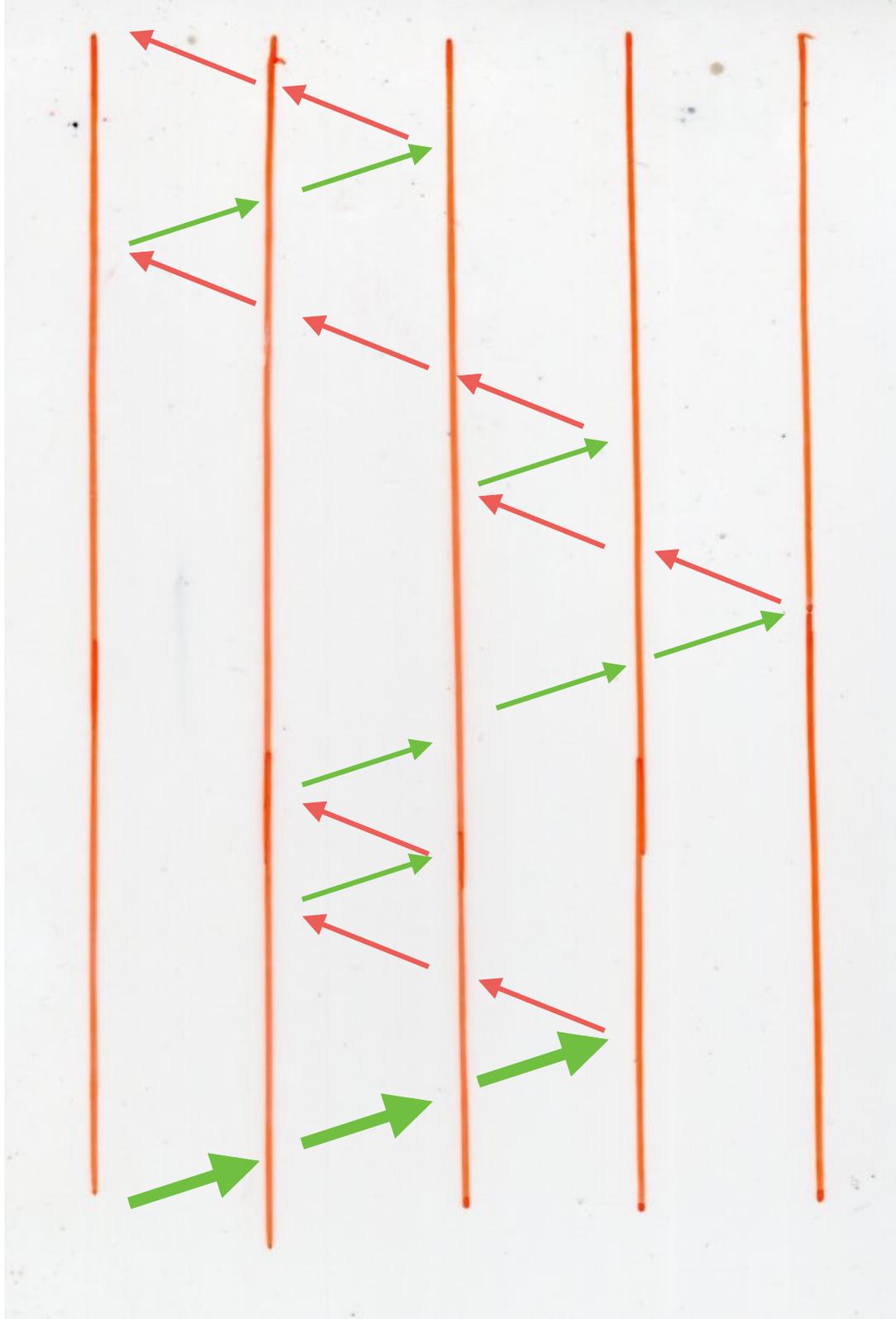
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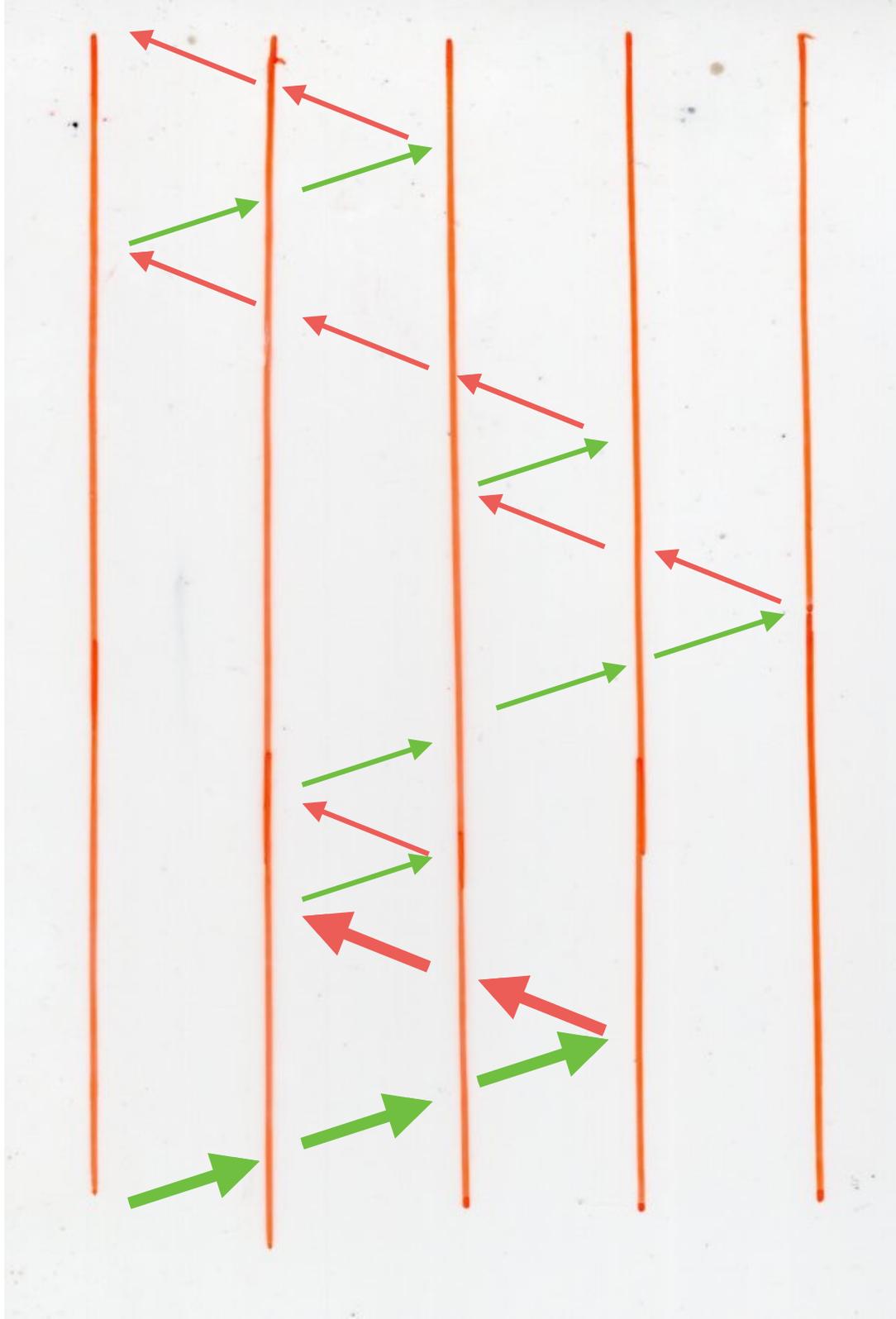
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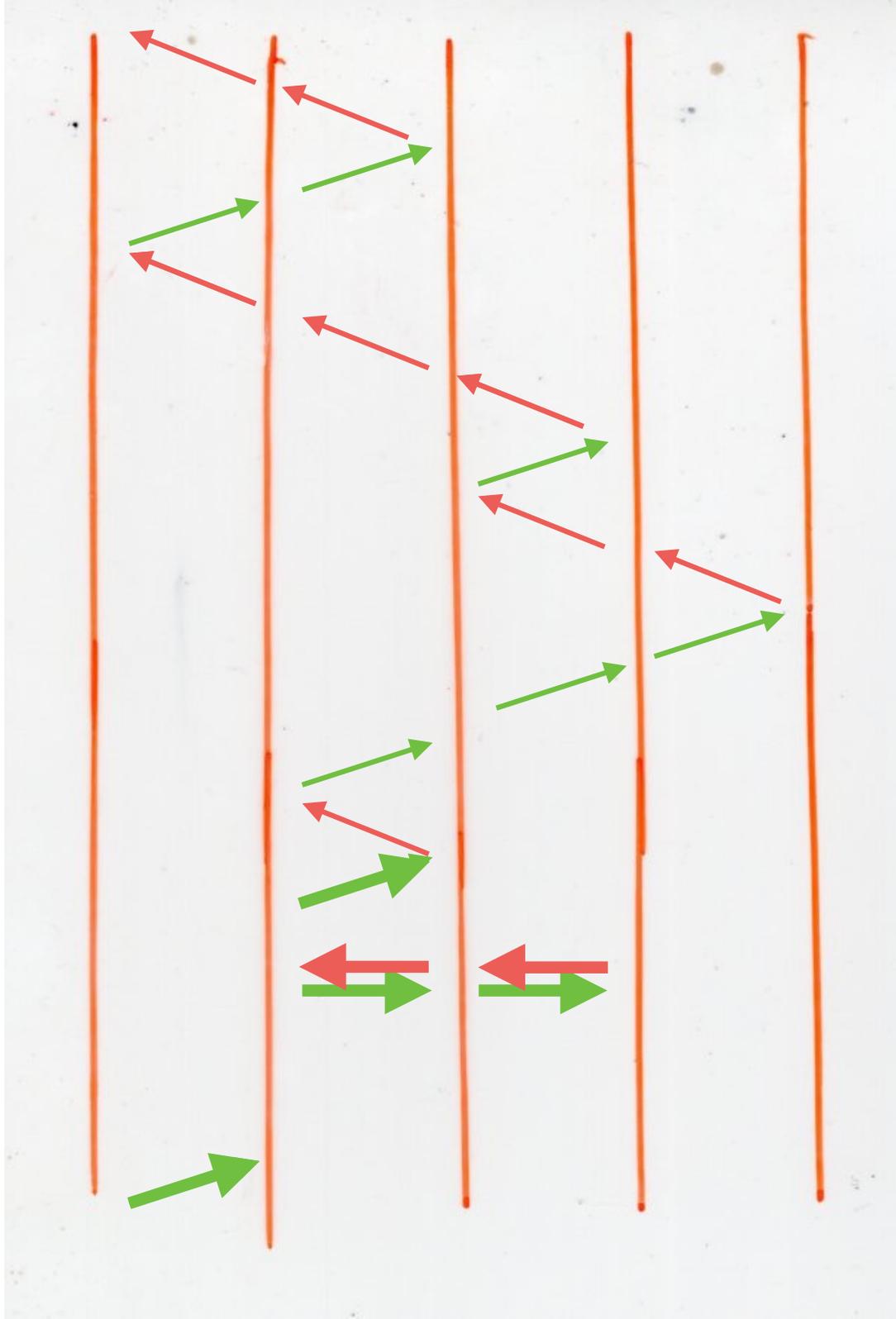
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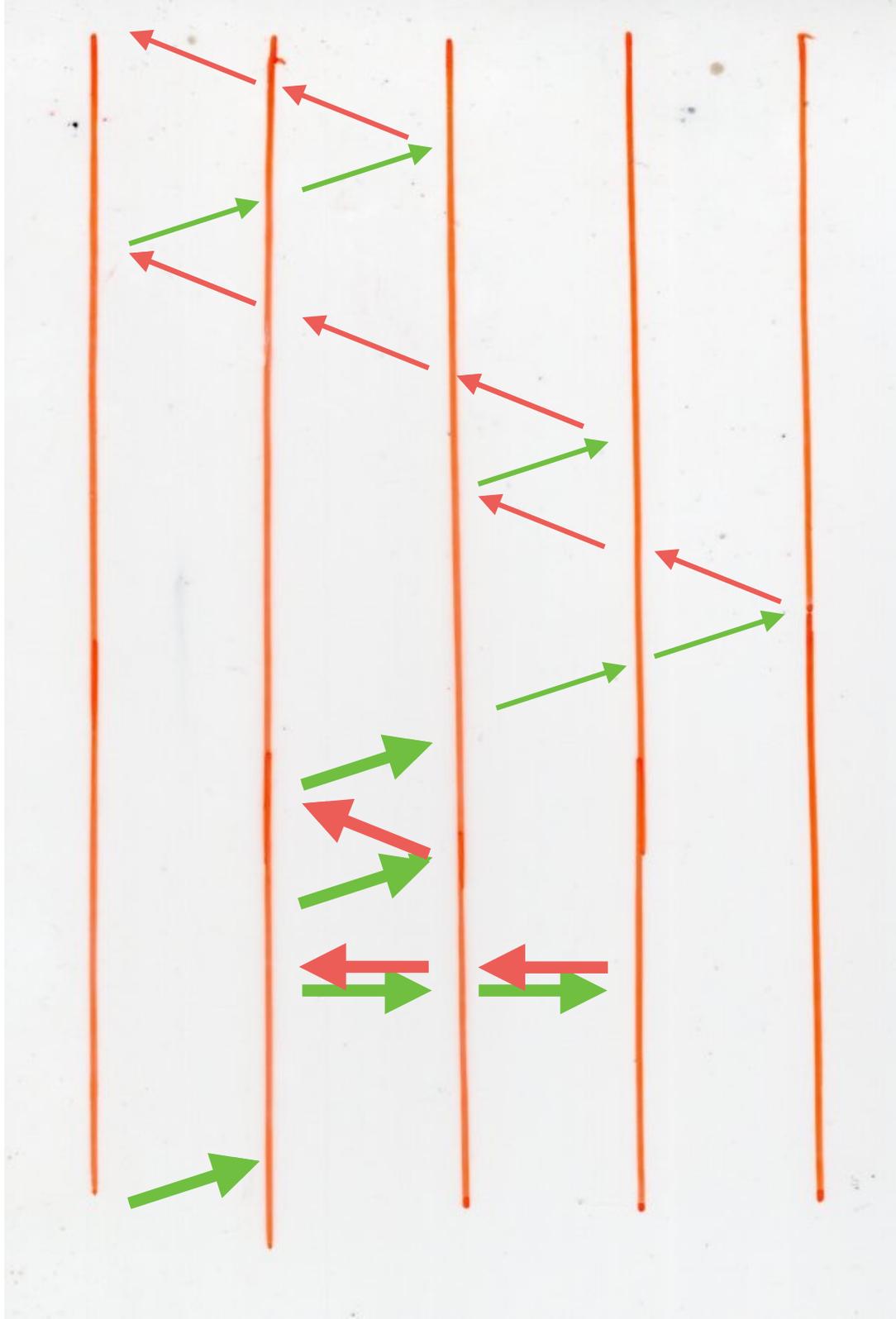
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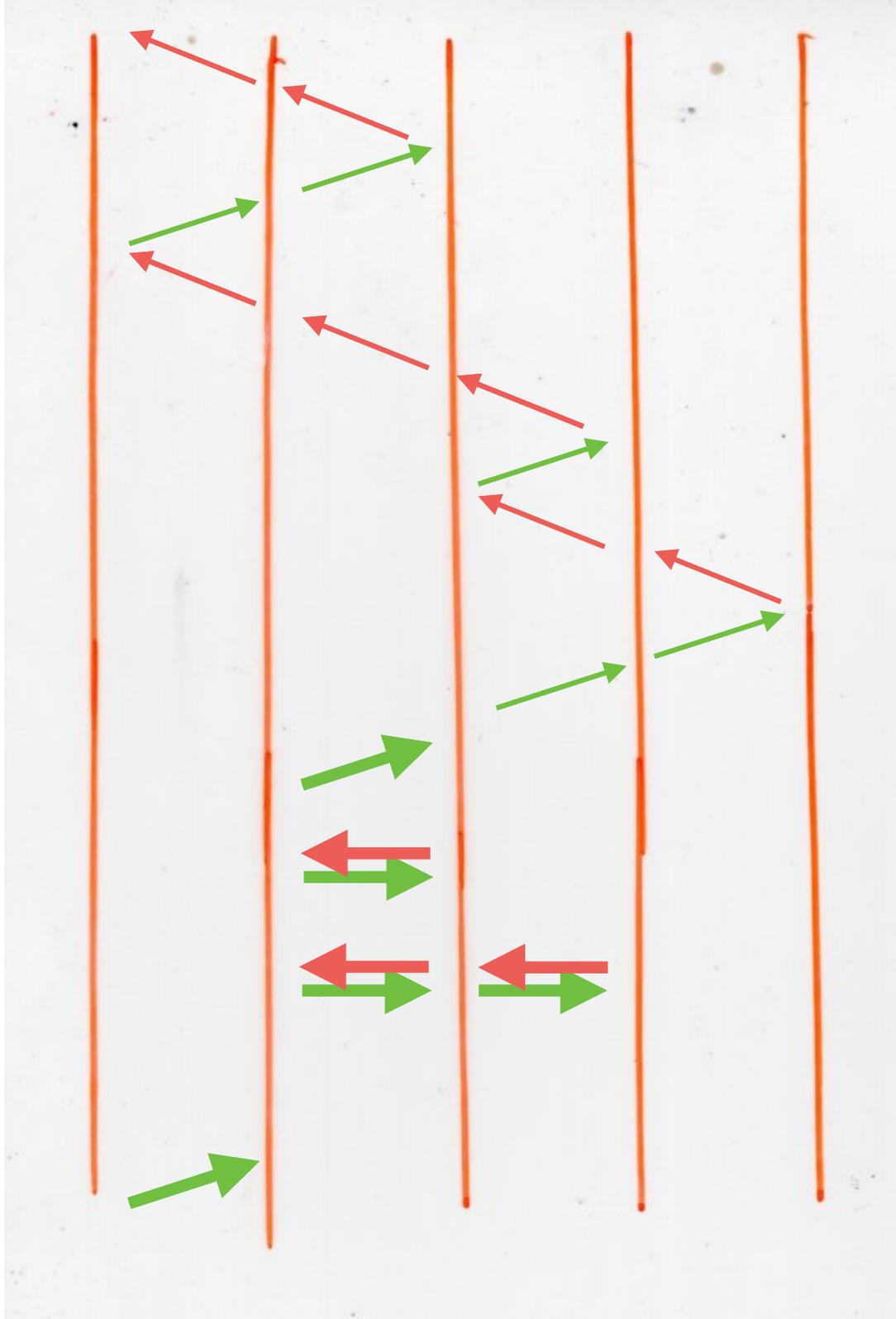
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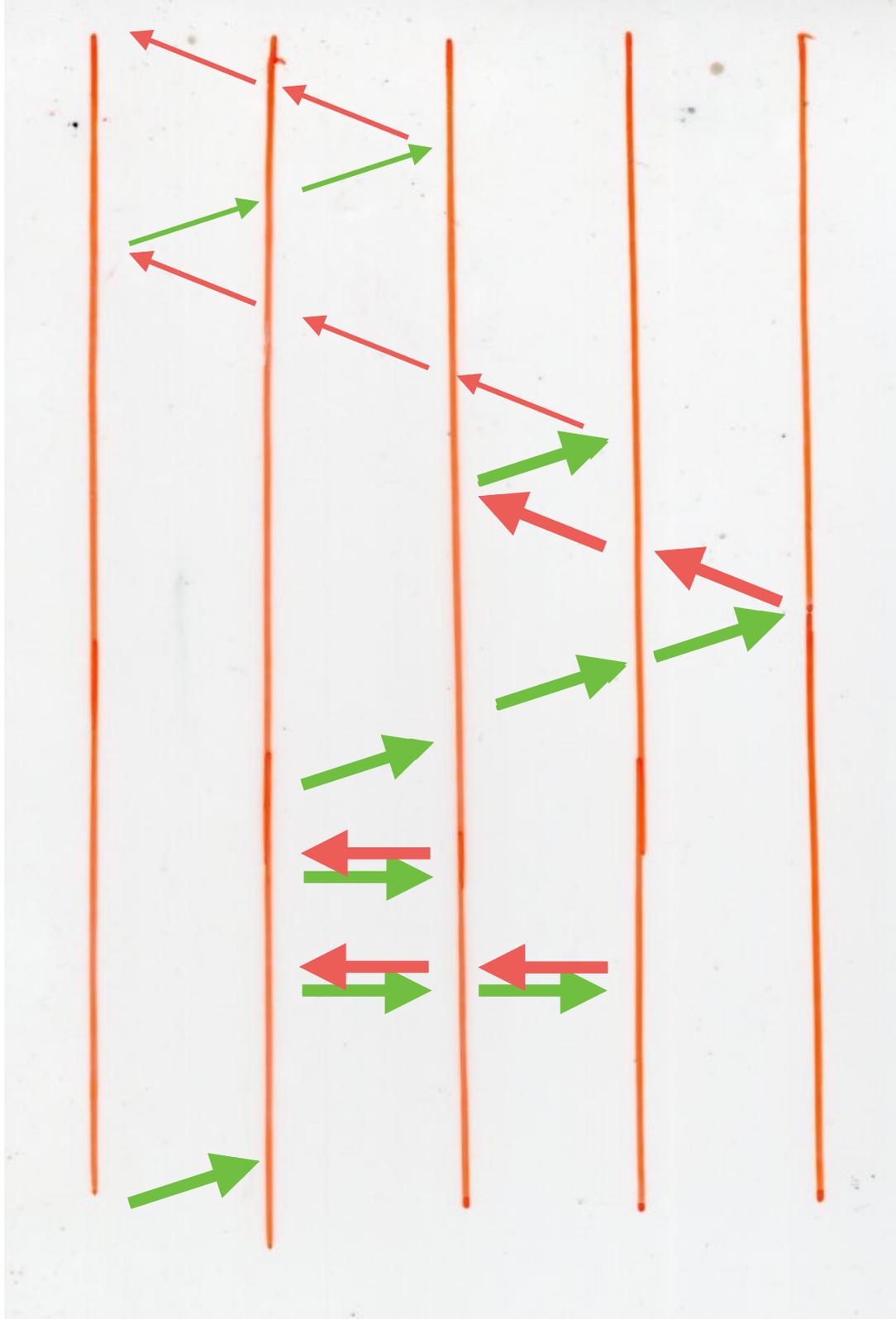
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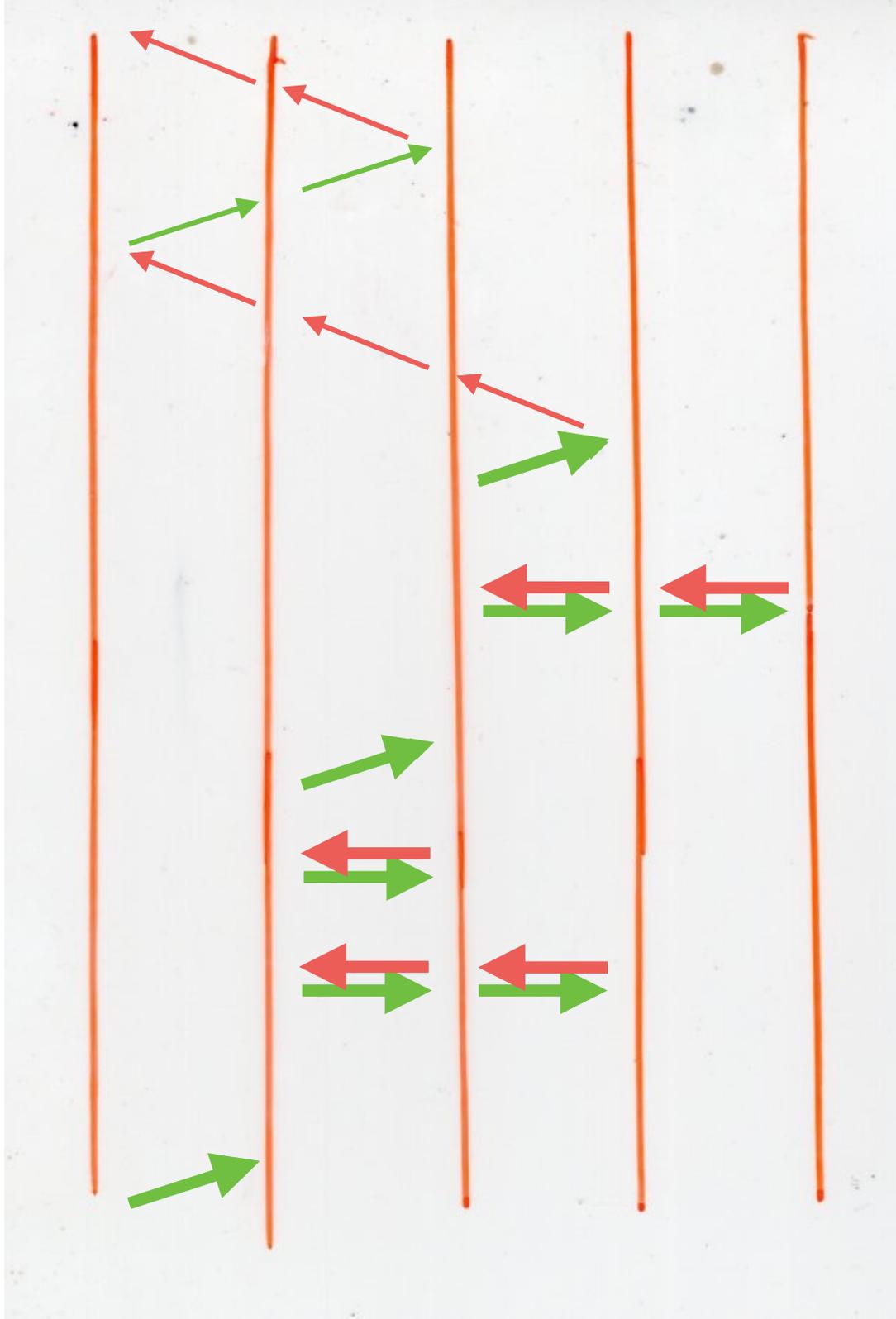
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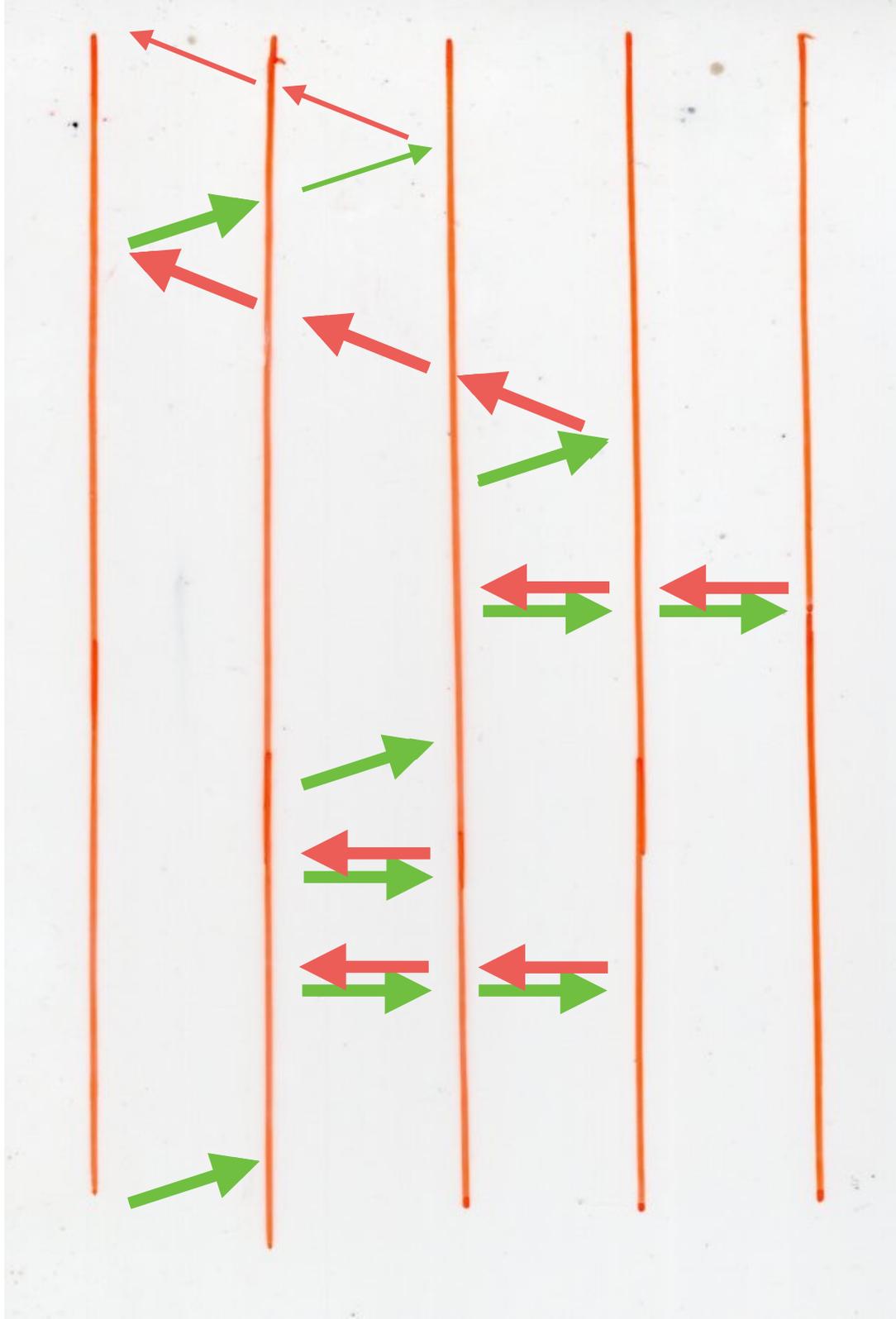
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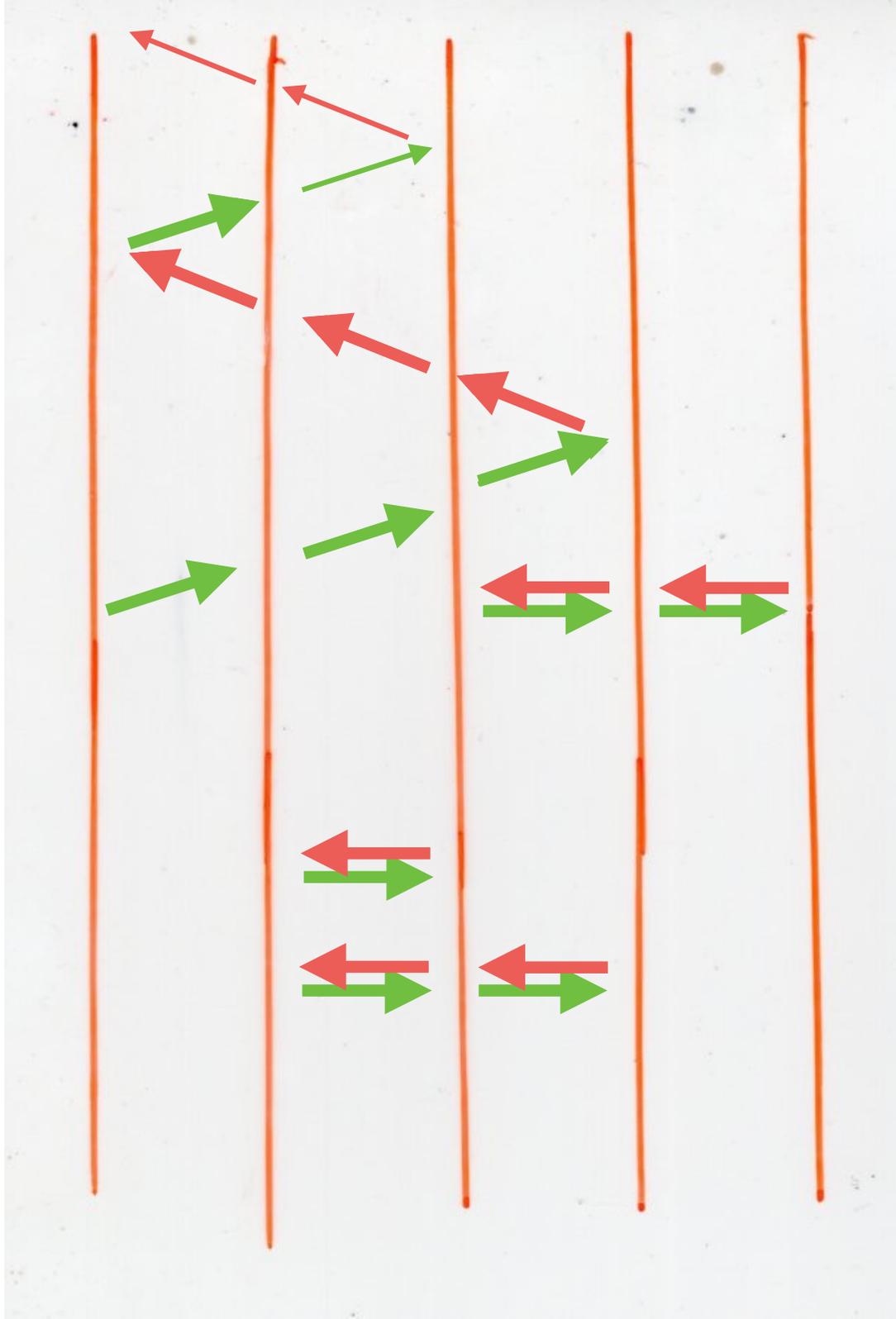
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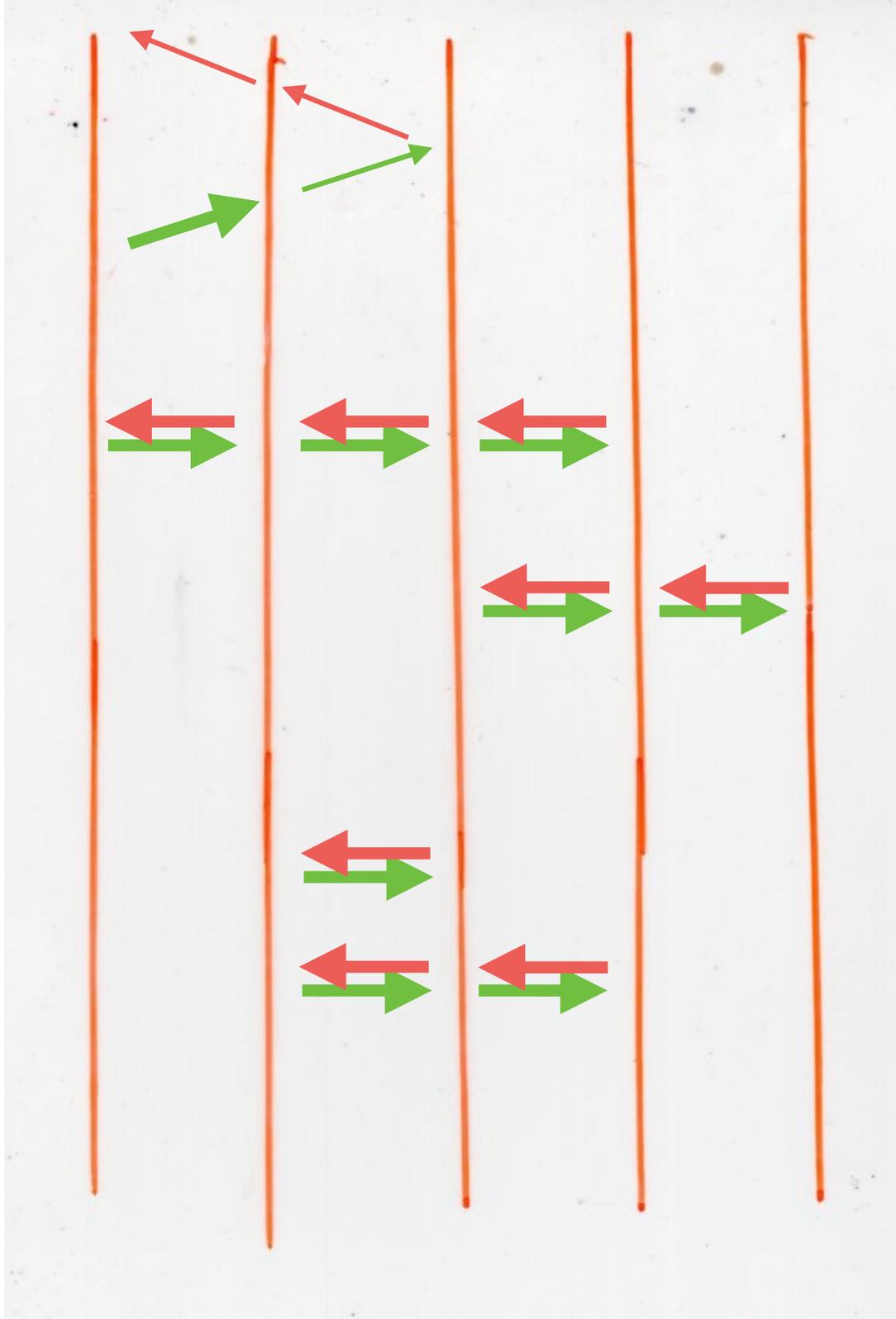
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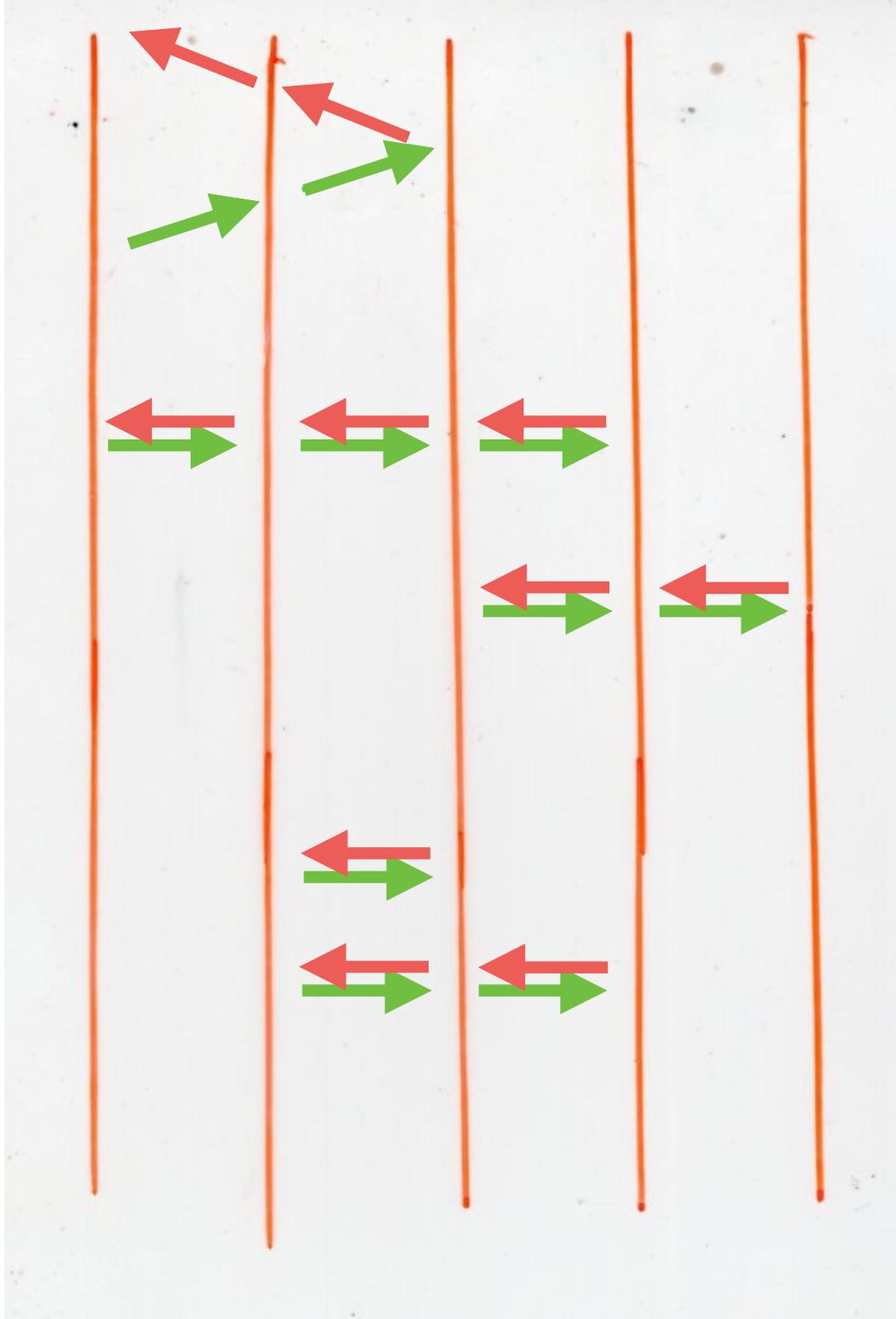
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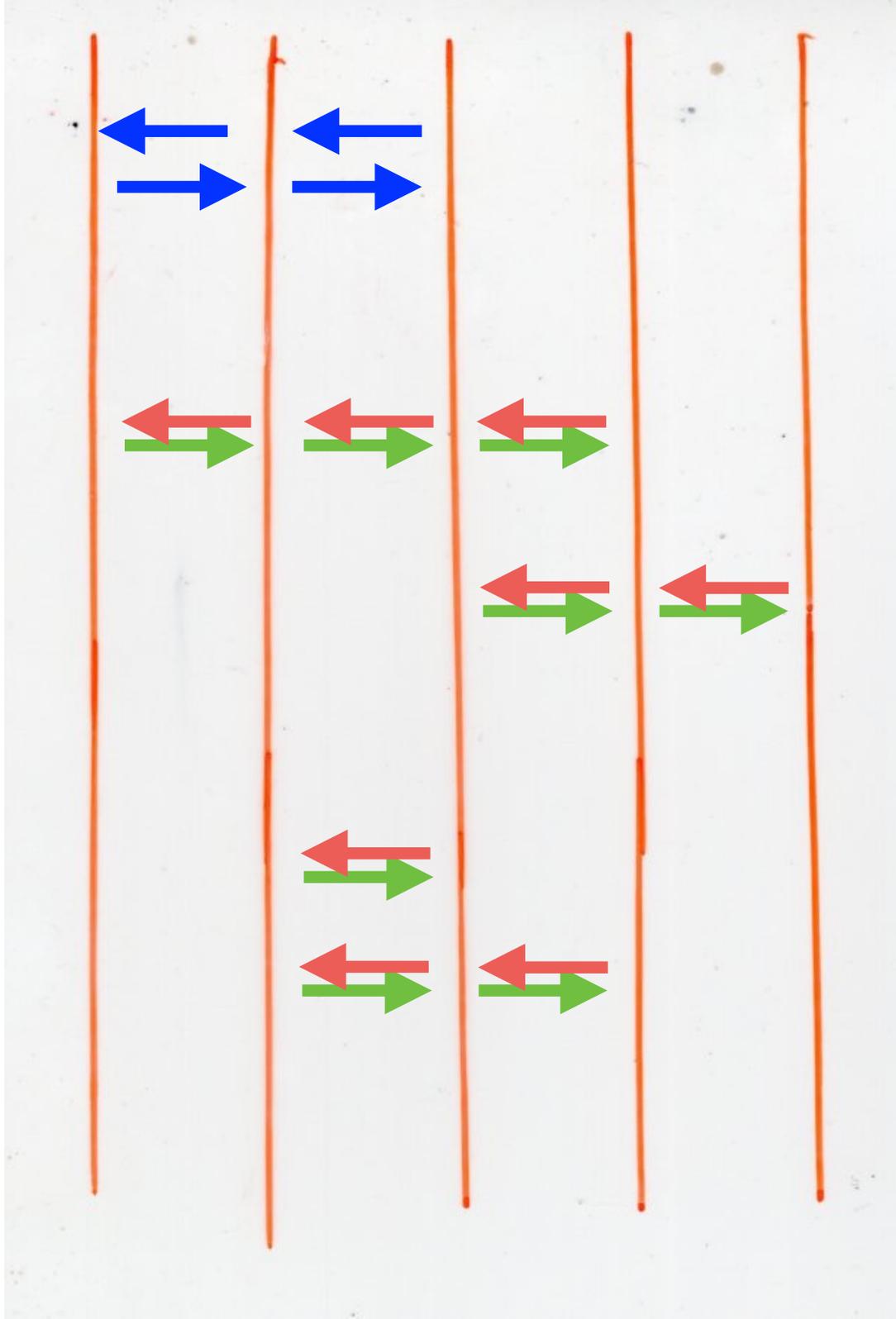
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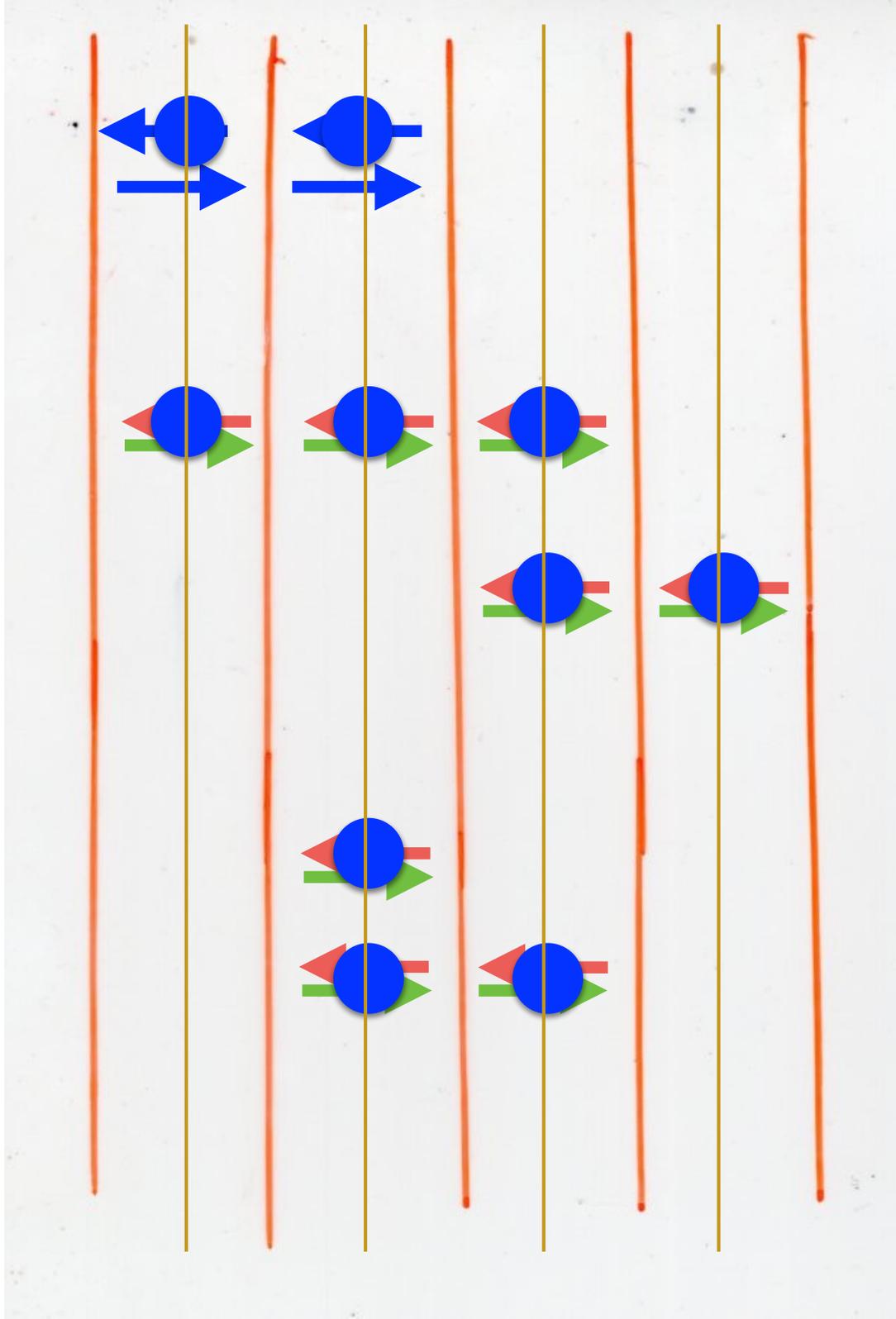
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 $u \rightarrow v$ (black)



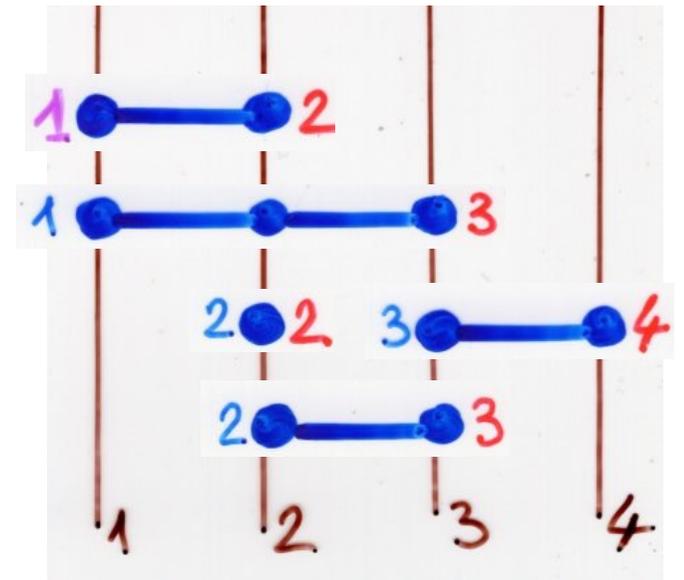
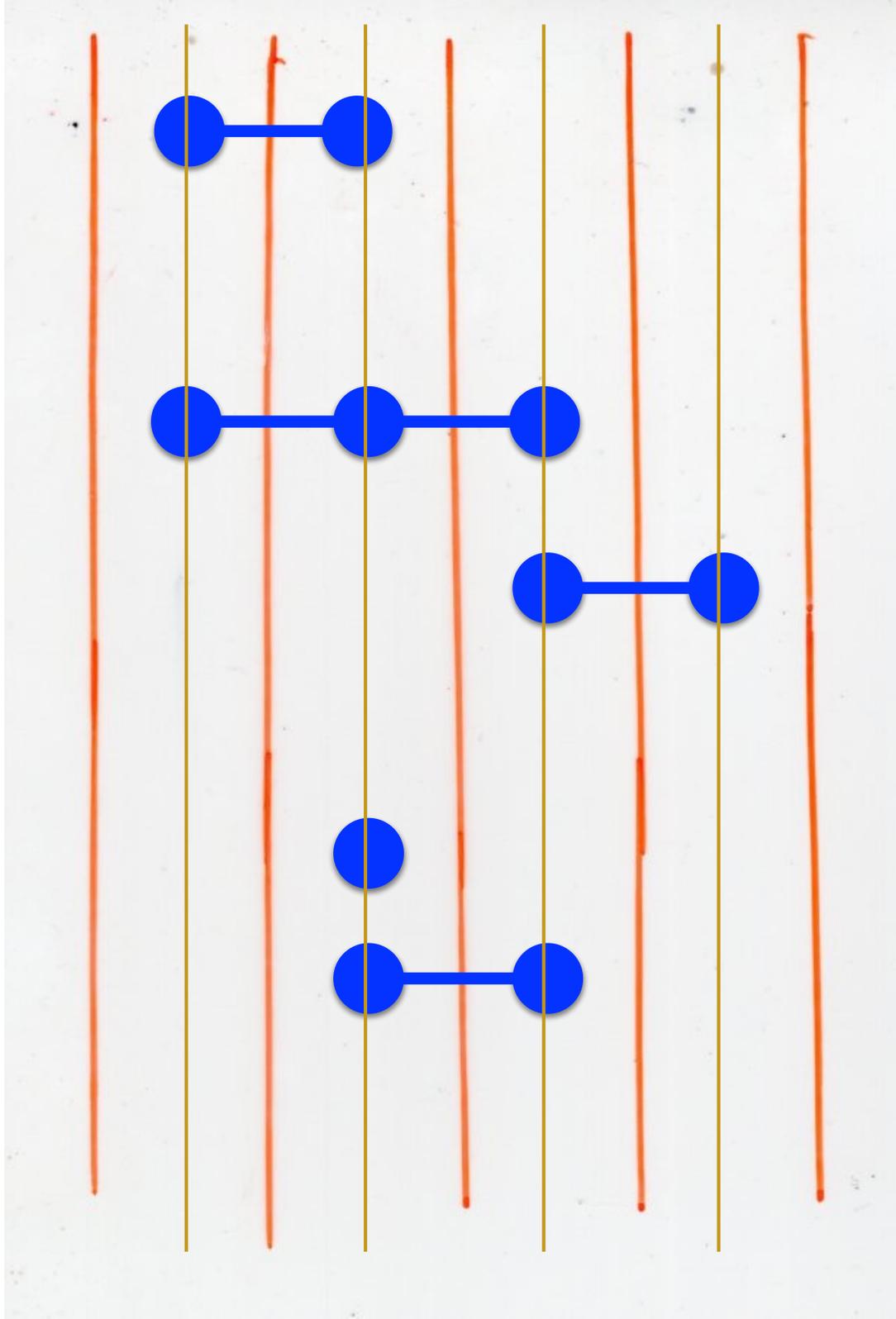
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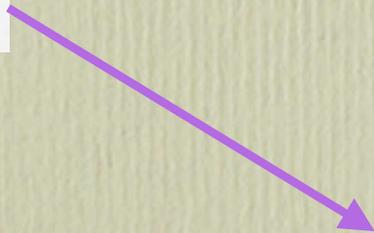
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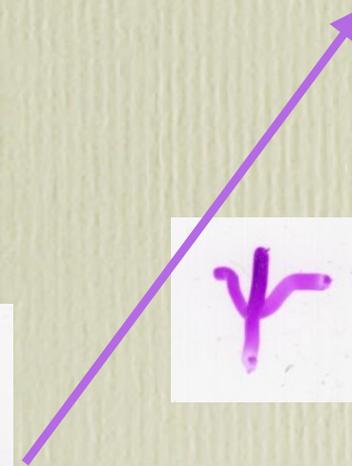


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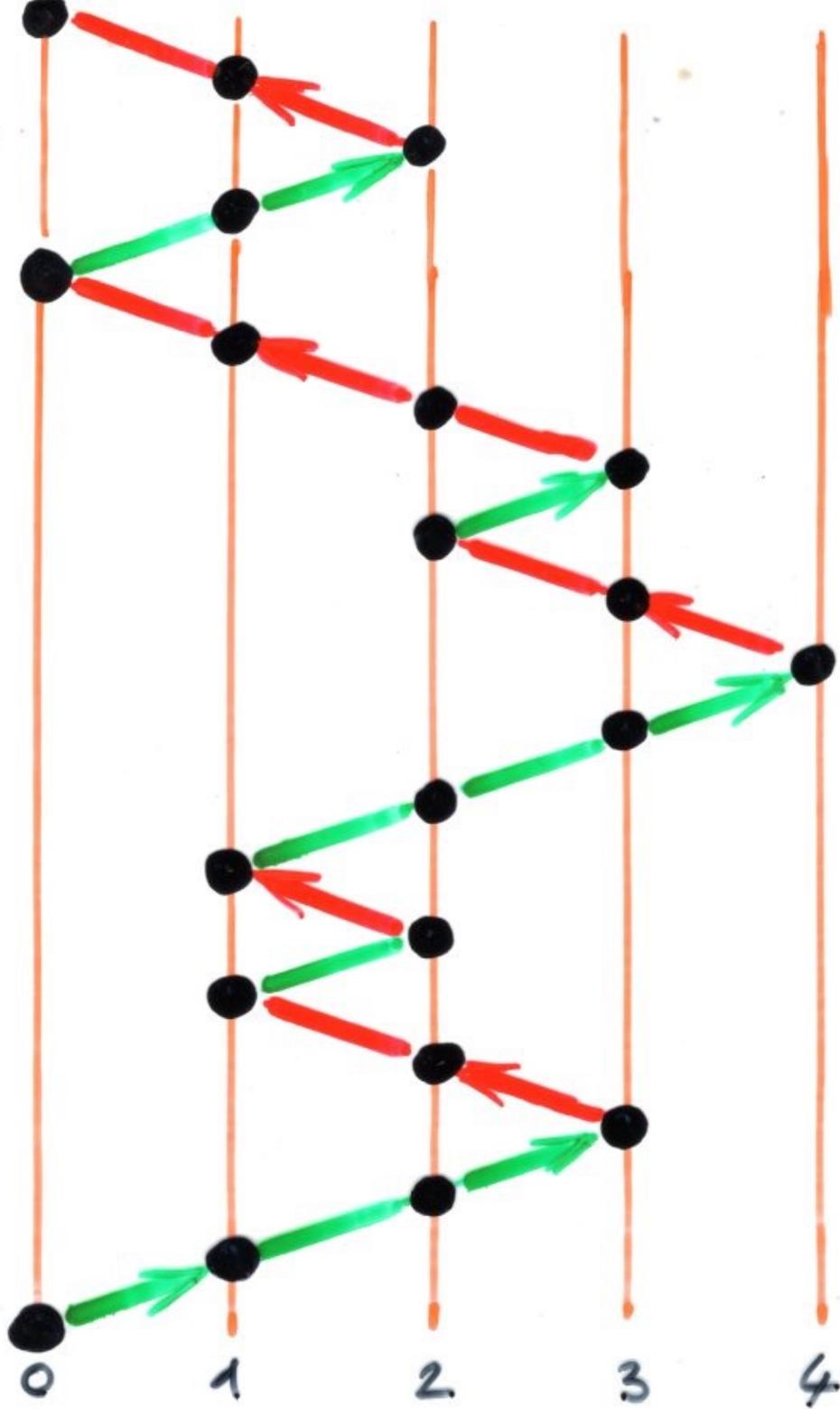
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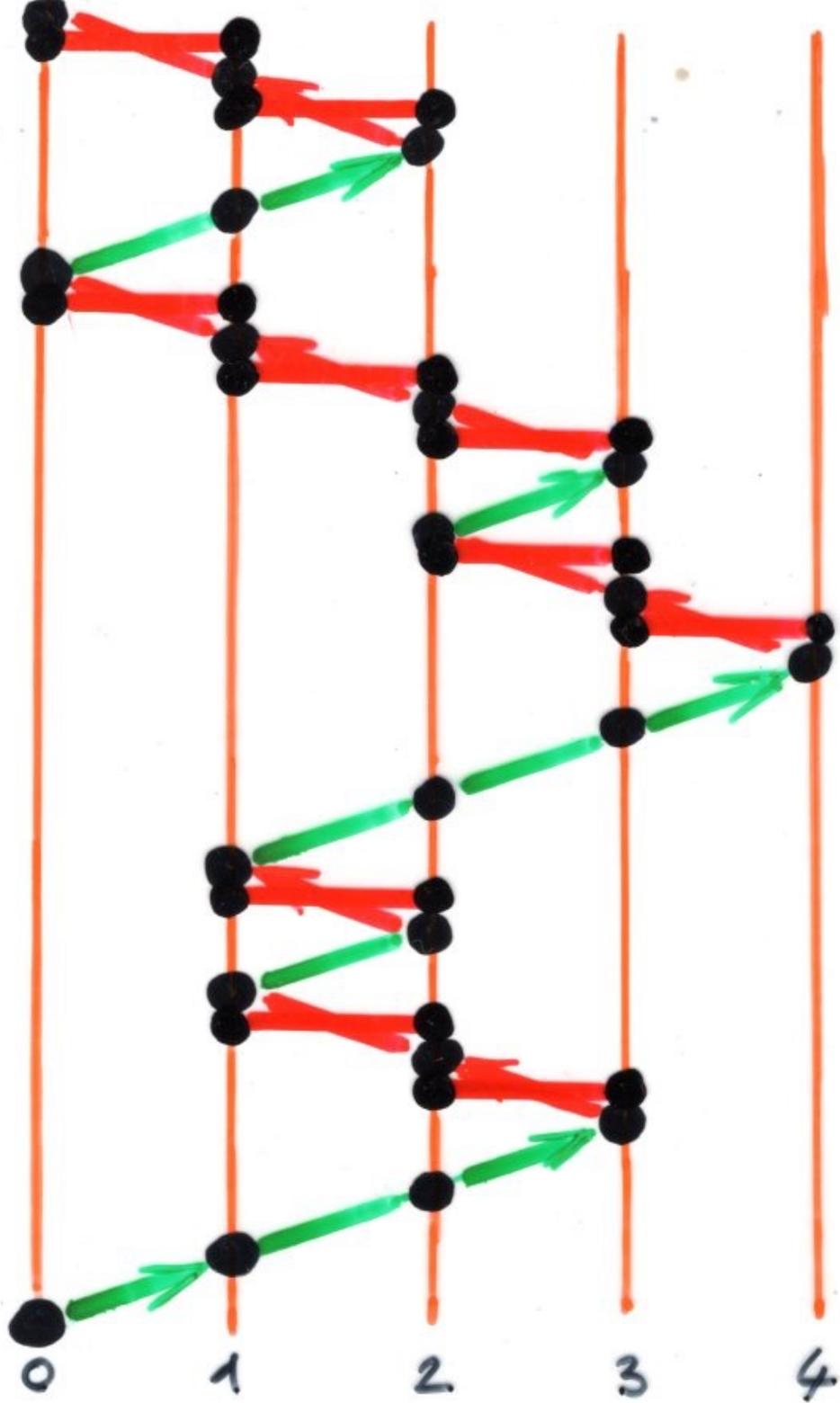
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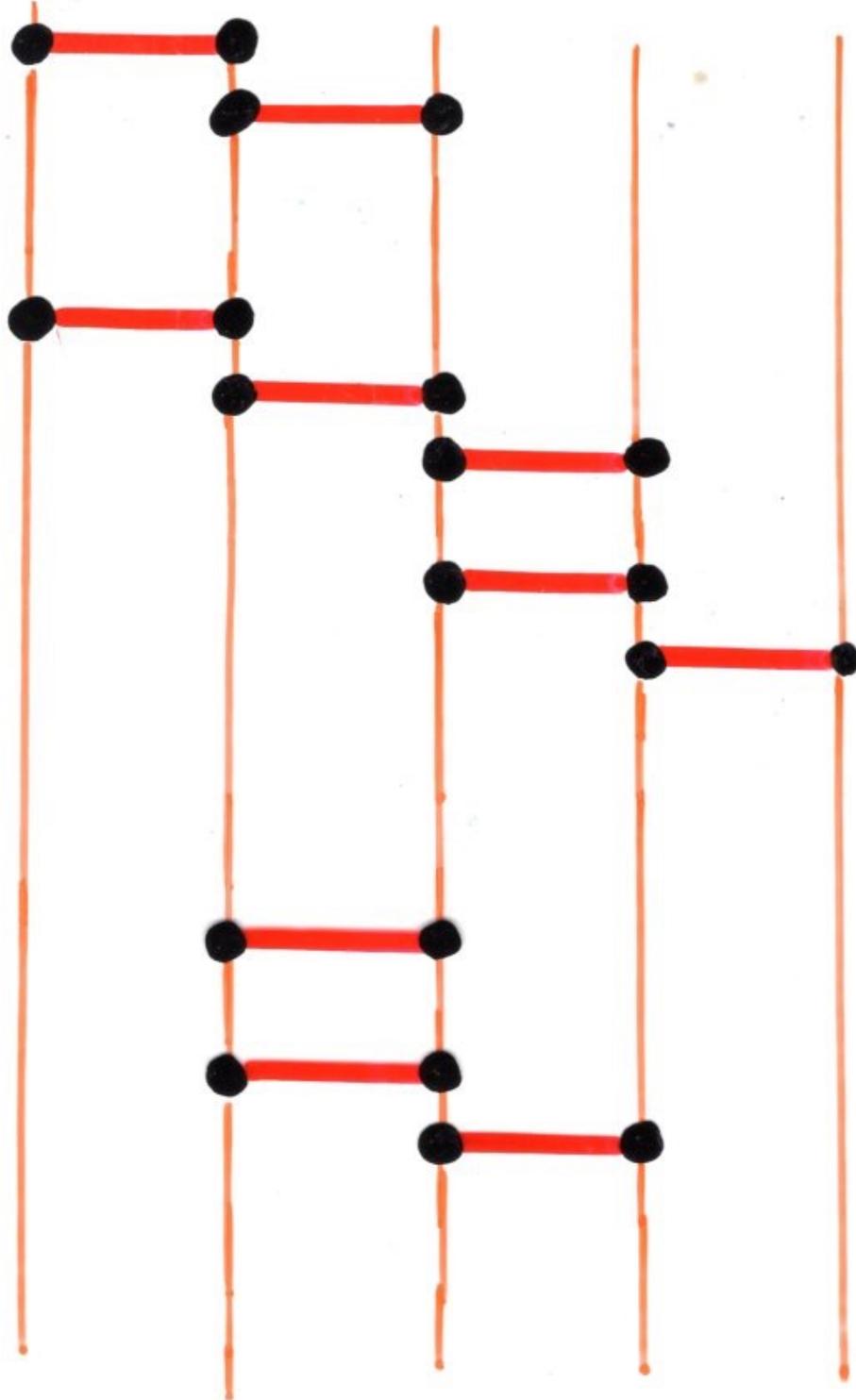
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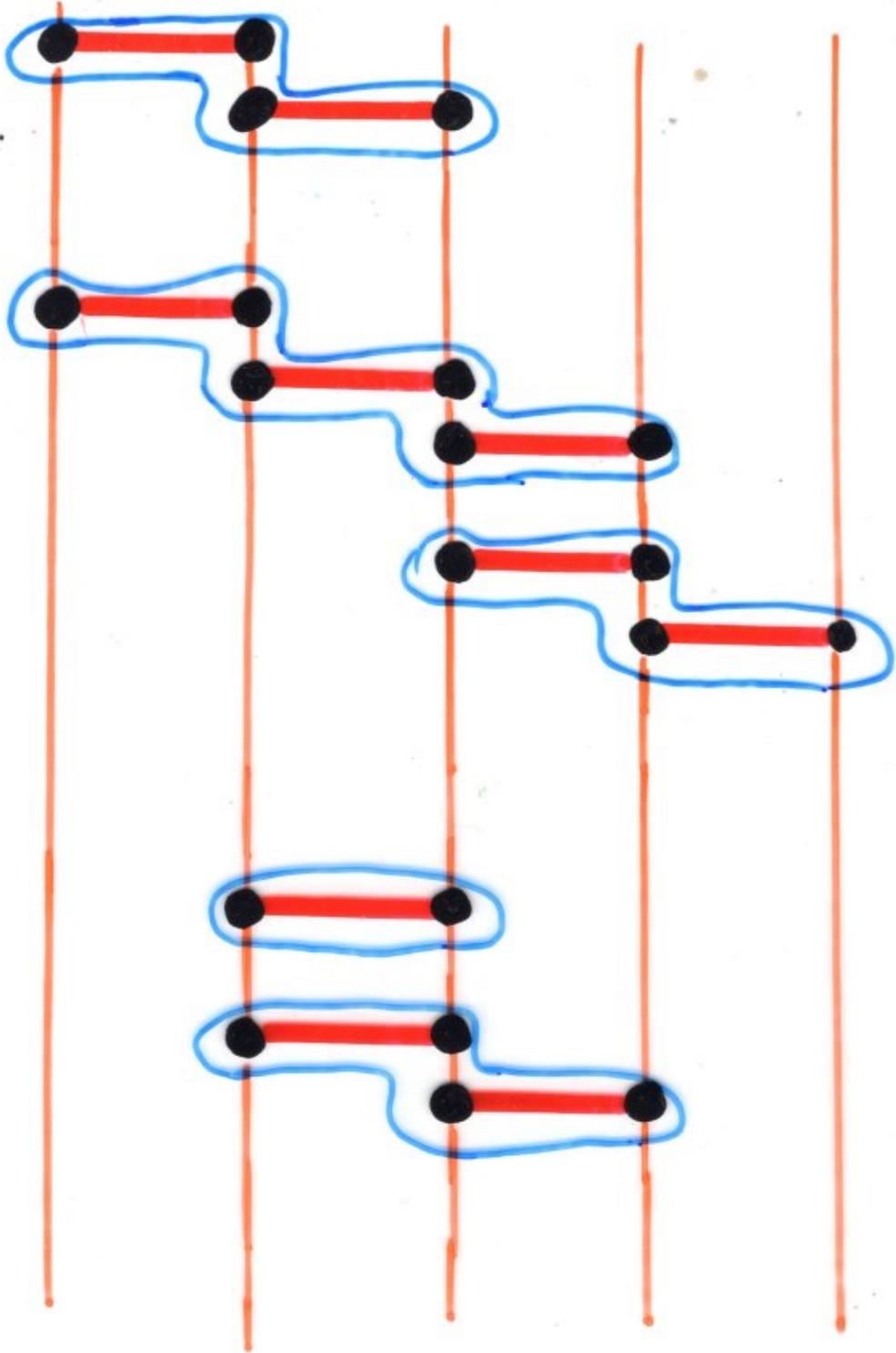
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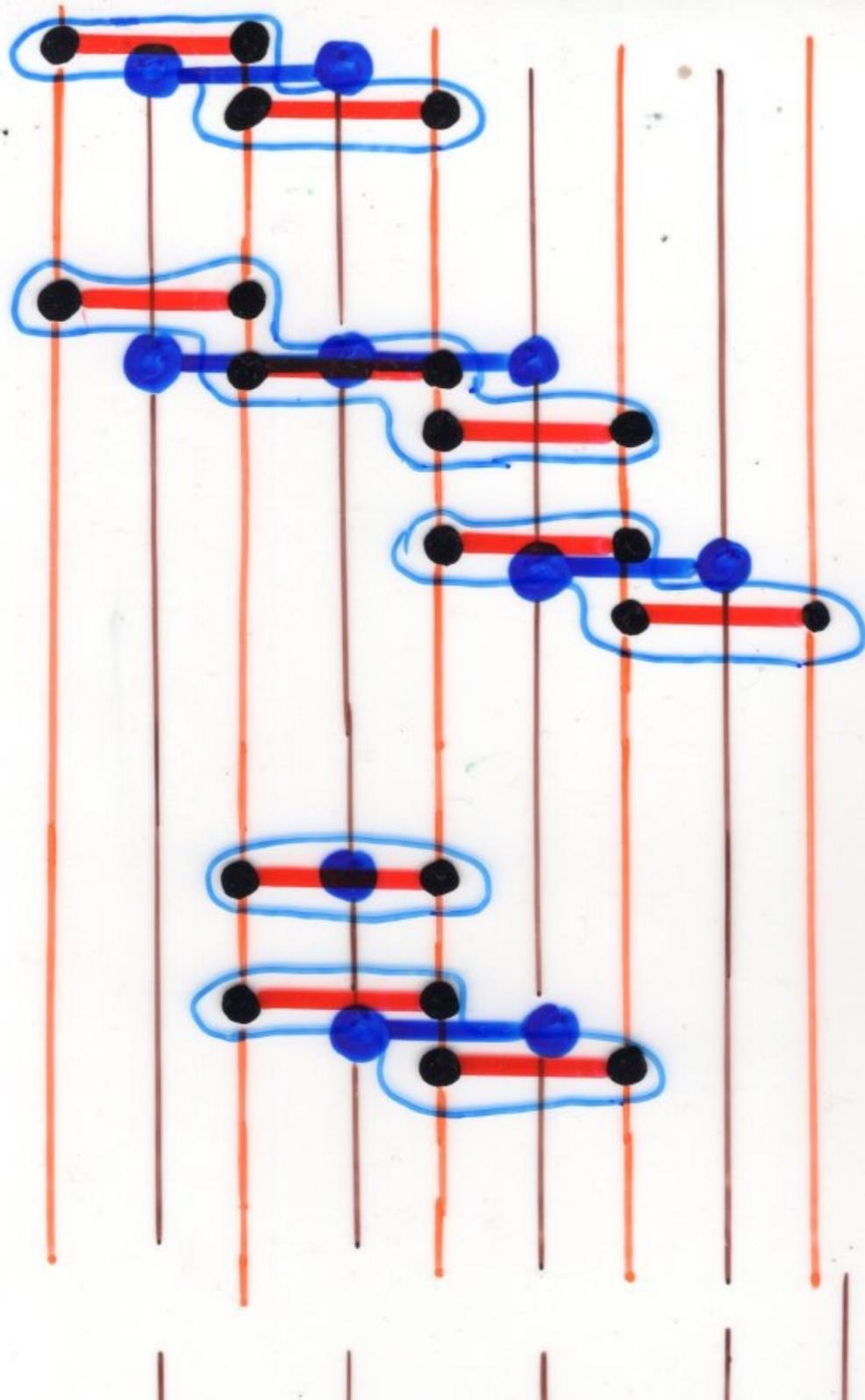


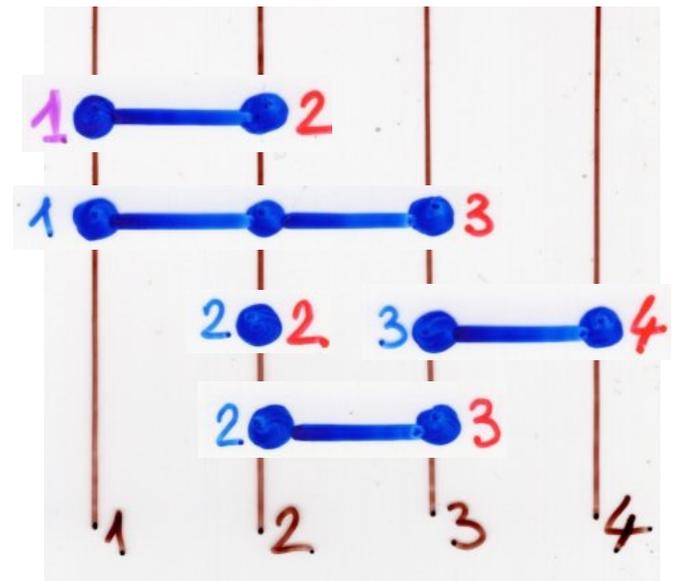
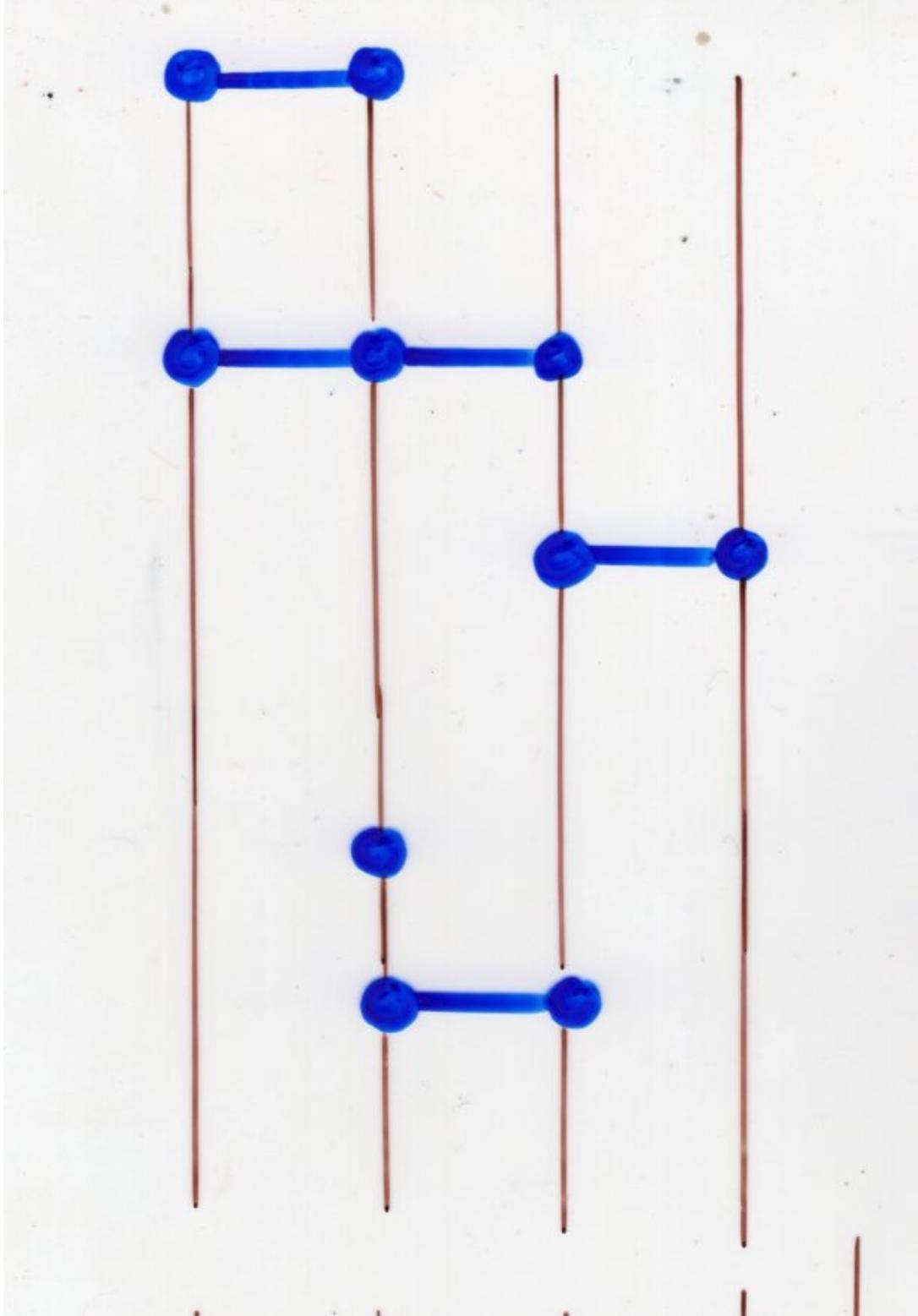
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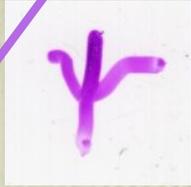
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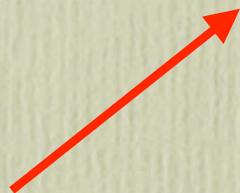
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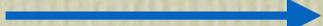
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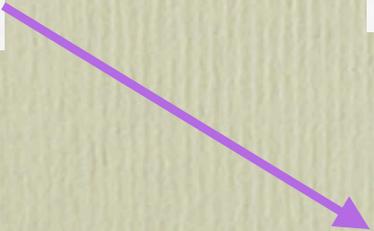
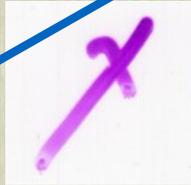
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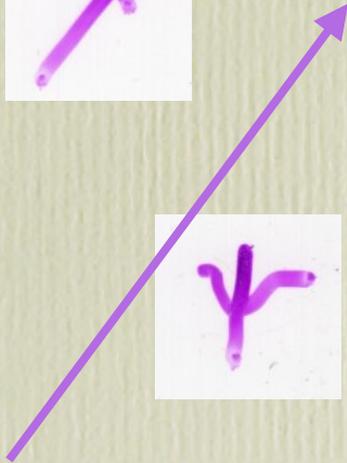
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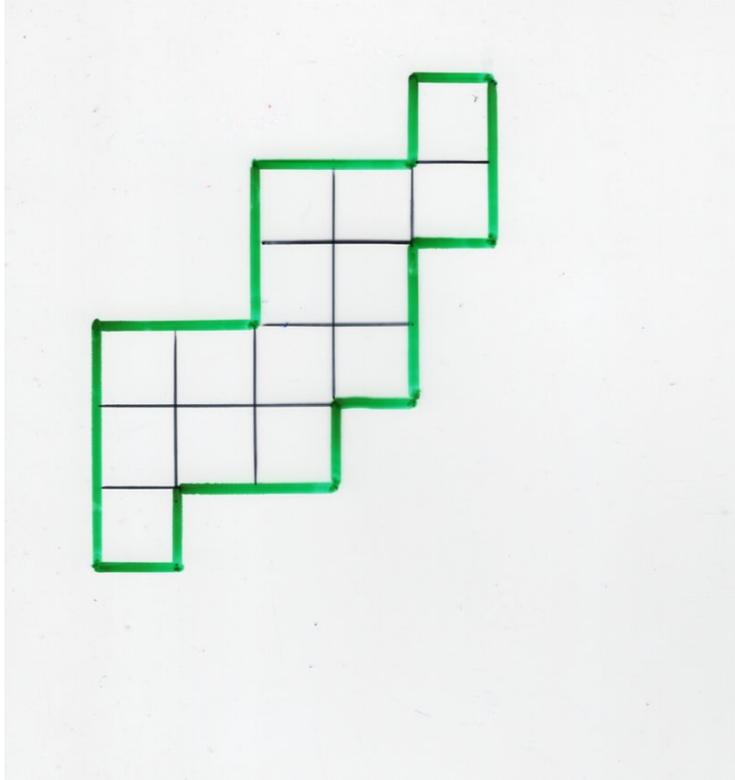


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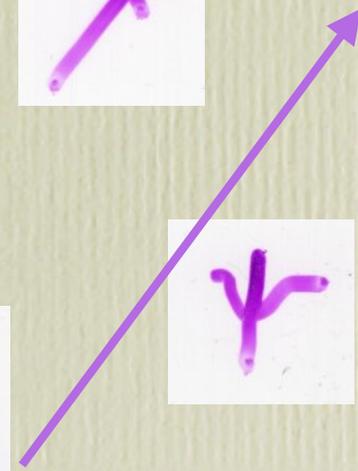
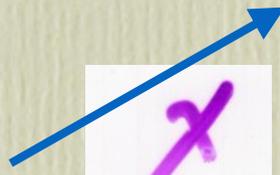
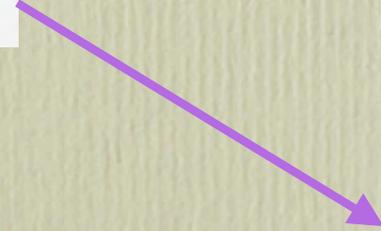
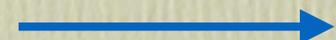
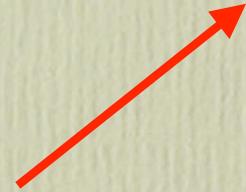
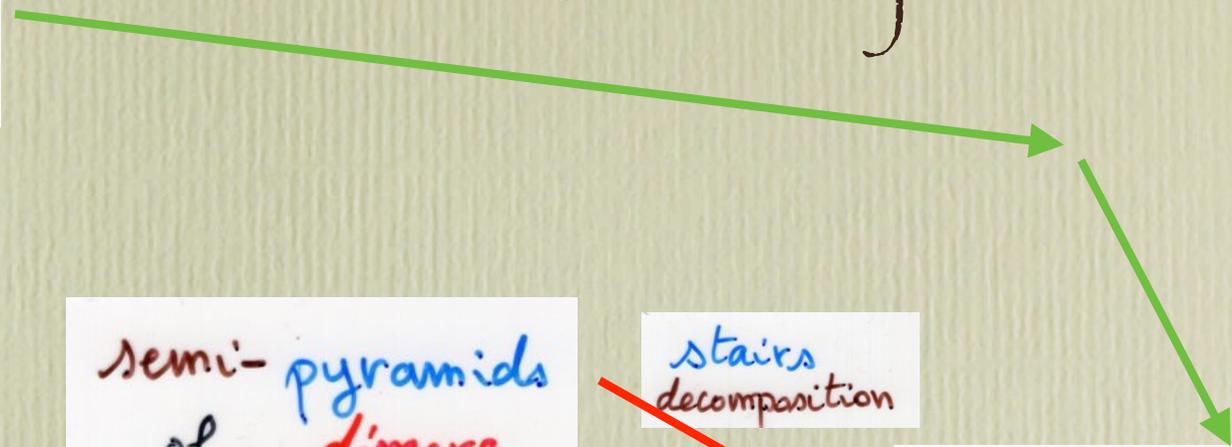
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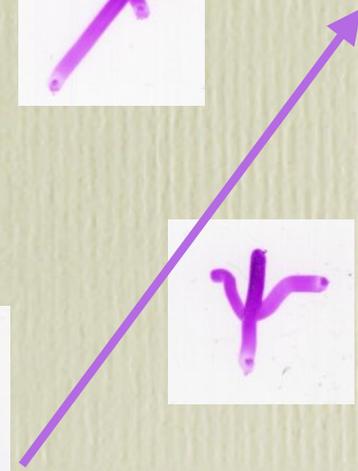
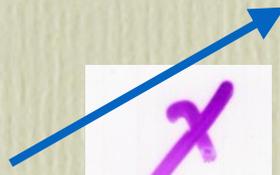
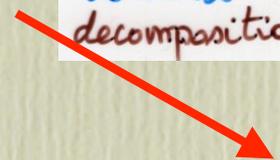
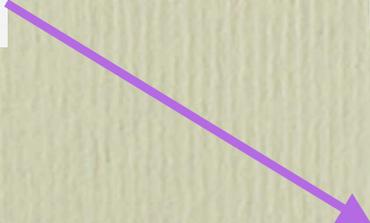
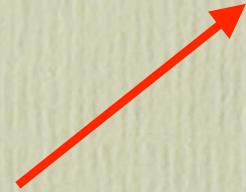
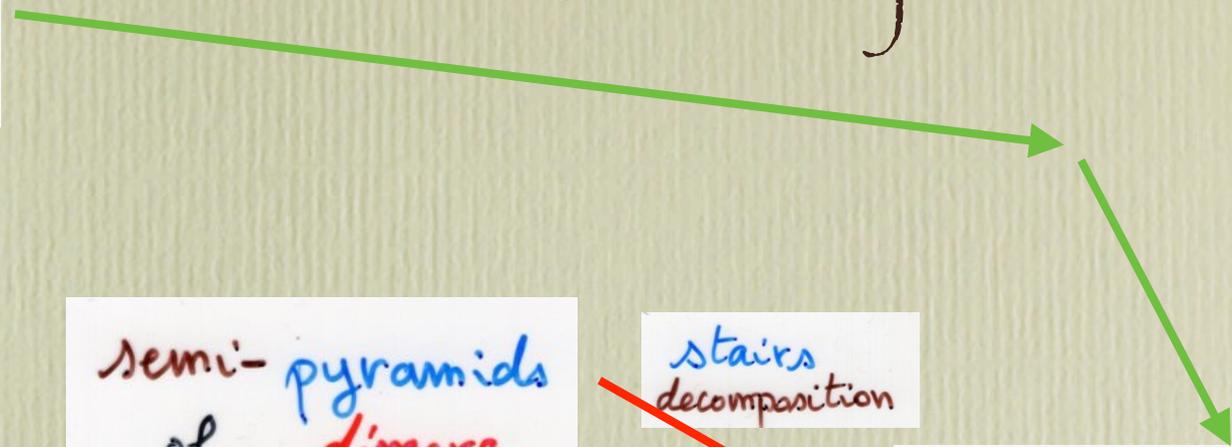
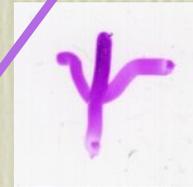
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Merci infiniment!

L.F.A. Arbogast

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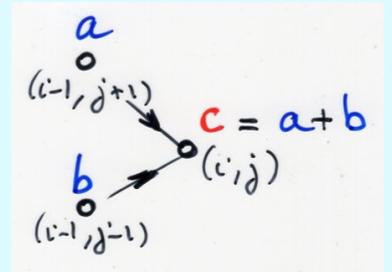
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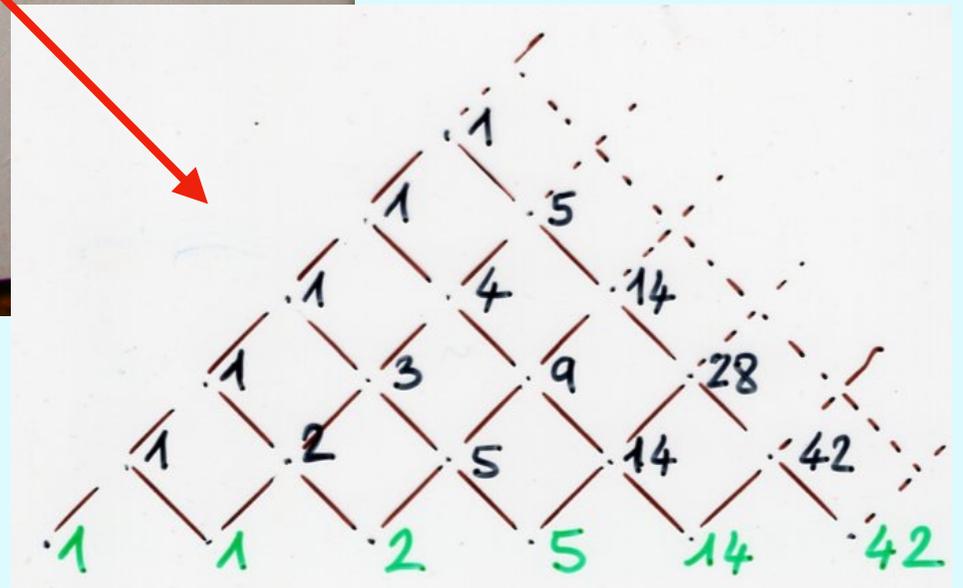
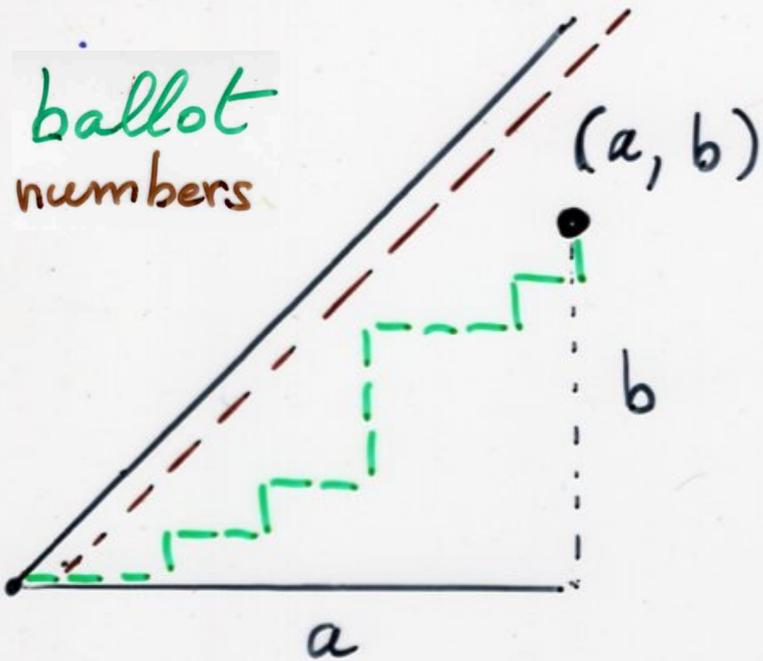
est donné le commencement de la table suivante, où chaque terme est la somme de celui qui le précède dans la même ligne horizontale et de celui qui le suit d'un rang dans la ligne horizontale immédiatement supérieure, avec la condition que chacun des termes de la première ligne horizontale soit égal à l'unité : on demande le terme général de cette table :

1	1	1	1	1	etc.
1	2	3	4	5	etc.
2	5	9	14	20	etc.
5	14	28	48	75	etc.
14	42	90	165	275	etc.
etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.

L'équation de relation est $A_{m,n} = A_{m-1,n} + A_{m,n-1}$; j'y mets $m-1$ au lieu de m , et elle devient

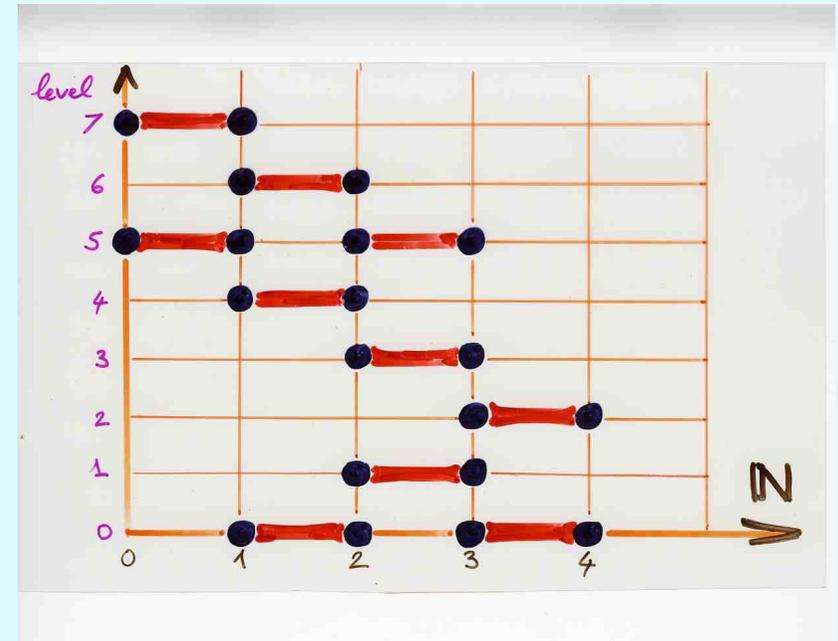
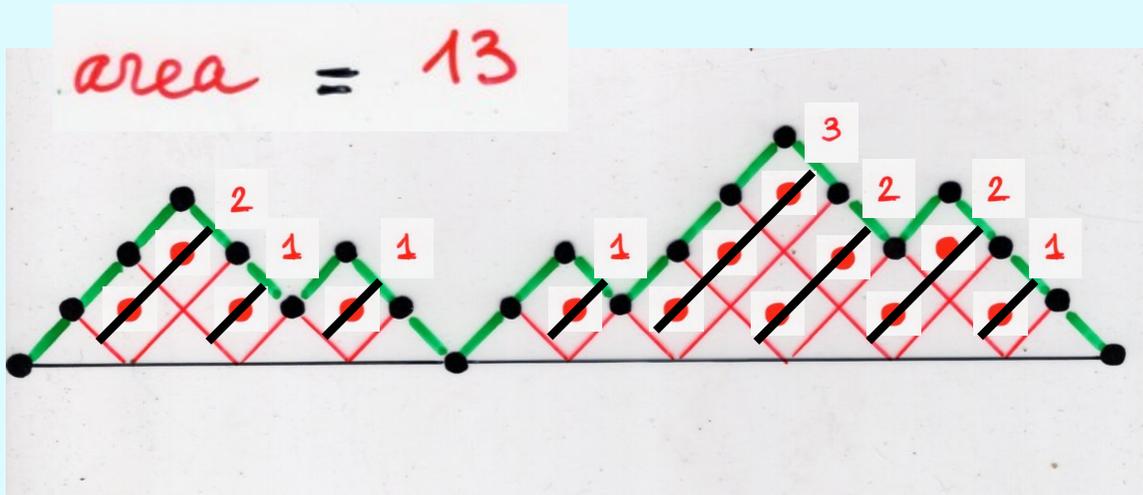


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In response to the question of Philippe Di Francesco

Do usual statistics on paths lift to heaps (eg. area under the path ?)



ω Dyck path \rightarrow P semi-pyramid of dimers on \mathbb{N}

$$v([k-1, k]) = q^{k-1} t$$

$$v(P) = q^{\text{area}(\omega)} t^{|\omega|/2}$$

In addition to the link given by Cyril Banderier

About the « LGV Lemma »

See the video-book « ABjC »

The Art of Bijective Combinatorics, Part I,

An introduction to enumerative, algebraic and bijective combinatorics

IMSc, Chennai, 2016, Chapter 5a, pp 3-28

www.viennot.org/abjc1-ch5.html

« LGV Lemma »

In addition to the link given by Cyril Banderier

from Christian Krattenthaler:

« Watermelon configurations with wall interaction: exact and asymptotic results »

J. Physics Conf. Series 42 (2006), 179--212,

⁴Lindström used the term “pairwise node disjoint paths”. The term “non-intersecting,” which is most often used nowadays in combinatorial literature, was coined by Gessel and Viennot [24].

⁵By a curious coincidence, Lindström’s result (the motivation of which was matroid theory!) was rediscovered in the 1980s at about the same time in three different communities, not knowing from each other at that time: in statistical physics by Fisher [17, Sec. 5.3] in order to apply it to the analysis of vicious walkers as a model of wetting and melting, in combinatorial chemistry by John and Sachs [30] and Gronau, Just, Schade, Scheffler and Wojciechowski [28] in order to compute Pauling’s bond order in benzenoid hydrocarbon molecules, and in enumerative combinatorics by Gessel and Viennot [24, 25] in order to count tableaux and plane partitions. Since only Gessel and Viennot rediscovered it in its most general form, I propose to call this theorem the “Lindström–Gessel–Viennot theorem.” It must however be mentioned that in fact the same idea appeared even earlier in work by Karlin and McGregor [32, 33] in a probabilistic framework, as well as that the so-called “Slater determinant” in quantum mechanics (cf. [48] and [49, Ch. 11]) may qualify as an “ancestor” of the Lindström–Gessel–Viennot determinant.

⁶There exist however also several interesting applications of the general form of the Lindström–Gessel–Viennot theorem in the literature, see [10, 16, 51].

In response to the question of Philippe Biane

Reciprocity with Riemann zeta function ?

Ch 5b, zeta function of a graph, pp 7-20

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In my answer I mentioned P.-L. Giscard relating number theory and heaps.

See for example: P.-L. Giscard and P. Rochet Algebraic Combinatorics on Trace Monoids: Extending Number Theory to Walks on Graphs, *SIAM J. Discrete Math.*, 2017, 31(2), 1428–1453.

Remarks on some question of vocabulary

Trace monoids were introduced by Mazurkiewicz in computer science as model for concurrency. These monoids are the same as the Cartier-Foata monoids. Unaware of the heaps interpretation of commutation monoids, the authors introduced the term « hikes » for an equivalence class of cycles, which is equivalent to « heaps of cycles », themselves in bijection with the so-called « rearrangements » in Cartier-Foata monography.

In response to the question of Joones Turunen

In the question of P. Di Francesco, I was talking about Lorentzian quantum gravity in 2 dimension, where the theory of heaps can play a very useful role. There is a bijection between semi-pyramids of dimers (enumerated by Catalan numbers) and certain Lorentzian triangulations. (P. Di Francesco, E. Guitter, C. Kristjansen, X.V., following some work of J. Ambjorn and R. Loll).

See the video-book « ABjC », part II, Chapter 7c, Lorentzian triangulations in 2D quantum gravity, the curvature parameter of the 2D space-time, connected heaps of dimers. www.viennot.org/abjc2-ch7.html (pp 47-84).

Taking in account the parameter « curvature » of the space-time, curiously, appears the stair decomposition of heaps of dimers introduced in the talk (pp 85-104)

General Lorentzian triangulations are in bijection with connected heaps of dimers (or multidirected animals). The generating function is not D-finite, formula given by M. Bousquet-Mélou and A. Rechnitzer. A bijective proof is given by X.V. with the introduction of the « Nordic decomposition » of heap of dimers. (pp 105-127)

In response to the second question of Bishal Deb

There are extensions of the LGV Lemma to paths in a graph making cycles.

See the works of P. Lalonde, S. Fomin, Talaska, Carrozza, Krajewski, Tanasa,

The interpretation of P.Lalonde with heaps of cycles is the most elegant. A bijective proof can be given, simplifying Lalonde's proof, using the interpretation of S. Fomin which uses LERW.

Talaska proof is a consequence of Lalonde interpretation and the second basic Lemma of heaps theory N/D.

Carrozza, Krajewski, Tanasa proof make use of Grassmann algebra and integral related fo physics.

See the video-book « ABjC » *The Art of Bijective Combinatorics*, Part II, *Commutations and heaps of pieces*, IMSc, Chennai, 2017,

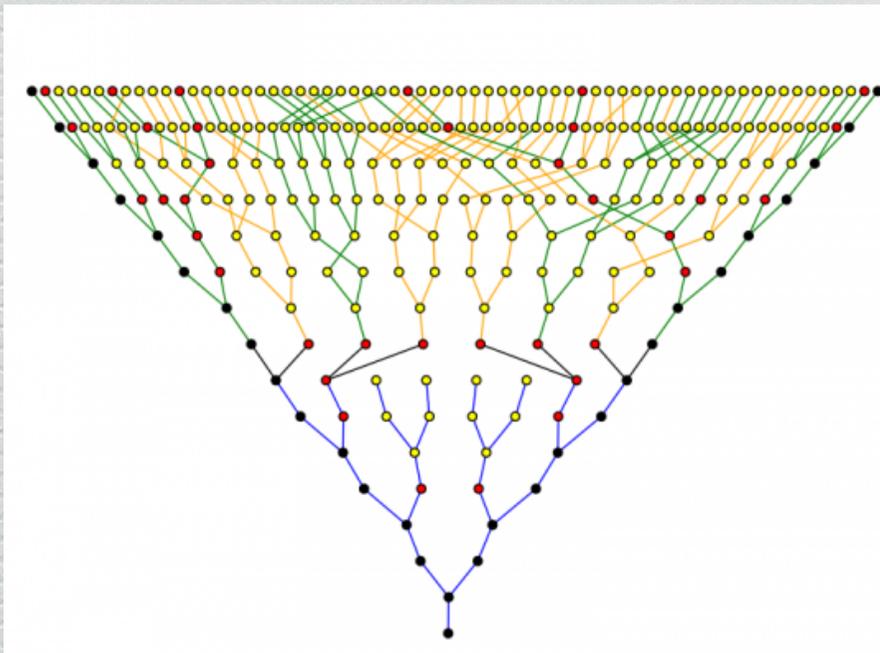
Chapter 4c, Jacobi dual identity, extension of LGV Lemma with heaps, relation with Fomin's theorem on LERW. www.viennot.org/abjc2-ch4.html



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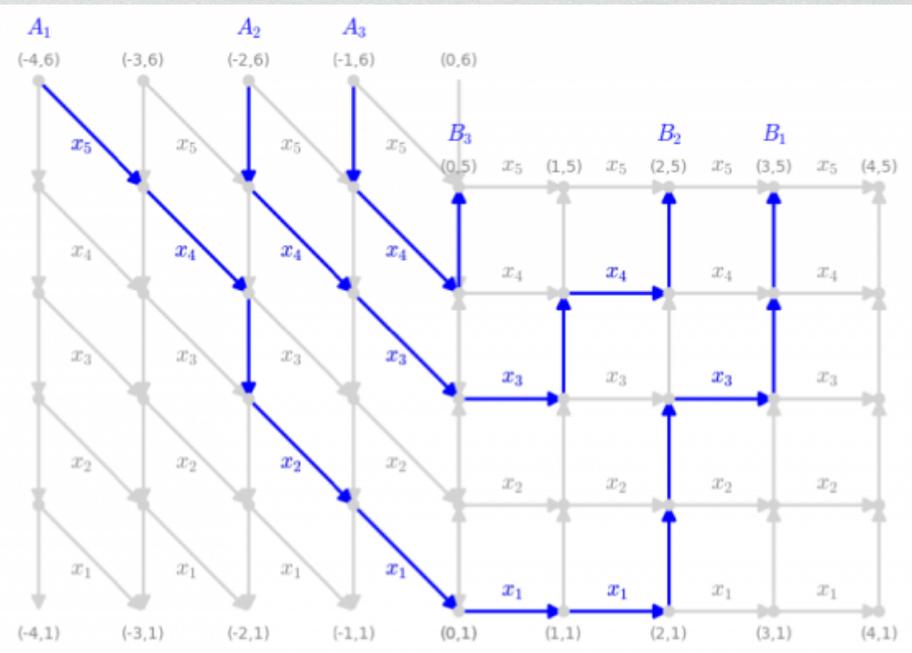
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Macdonald tree in
Young' graph

(A. Ayer, A. Prasad, S. Spallone, 2016)



Bijective proof of Giambelli identity
with lattice paths and LGV Lemma

(J. Stembridge, 1990)

Thank you!

