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The cellular ansatz:
bijective combinatorics and quadratic algebra

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Chapter 1

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The Robinson-Schensted-correspondence (Ch1b)

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From Ch 1a:

The Robinson-Schensted correspondence

- Schensted's insertions
- geometric version with "shadow lines »

- Fomin "local rules" or "growth diagrams »
- Schützenberger "jeu de taquin »

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \\ 3 & 1 & 6 & 10 & 2 & 5 & 8 & 4 & 9 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

6	10			
3	5	8		
1	2	4	7	9

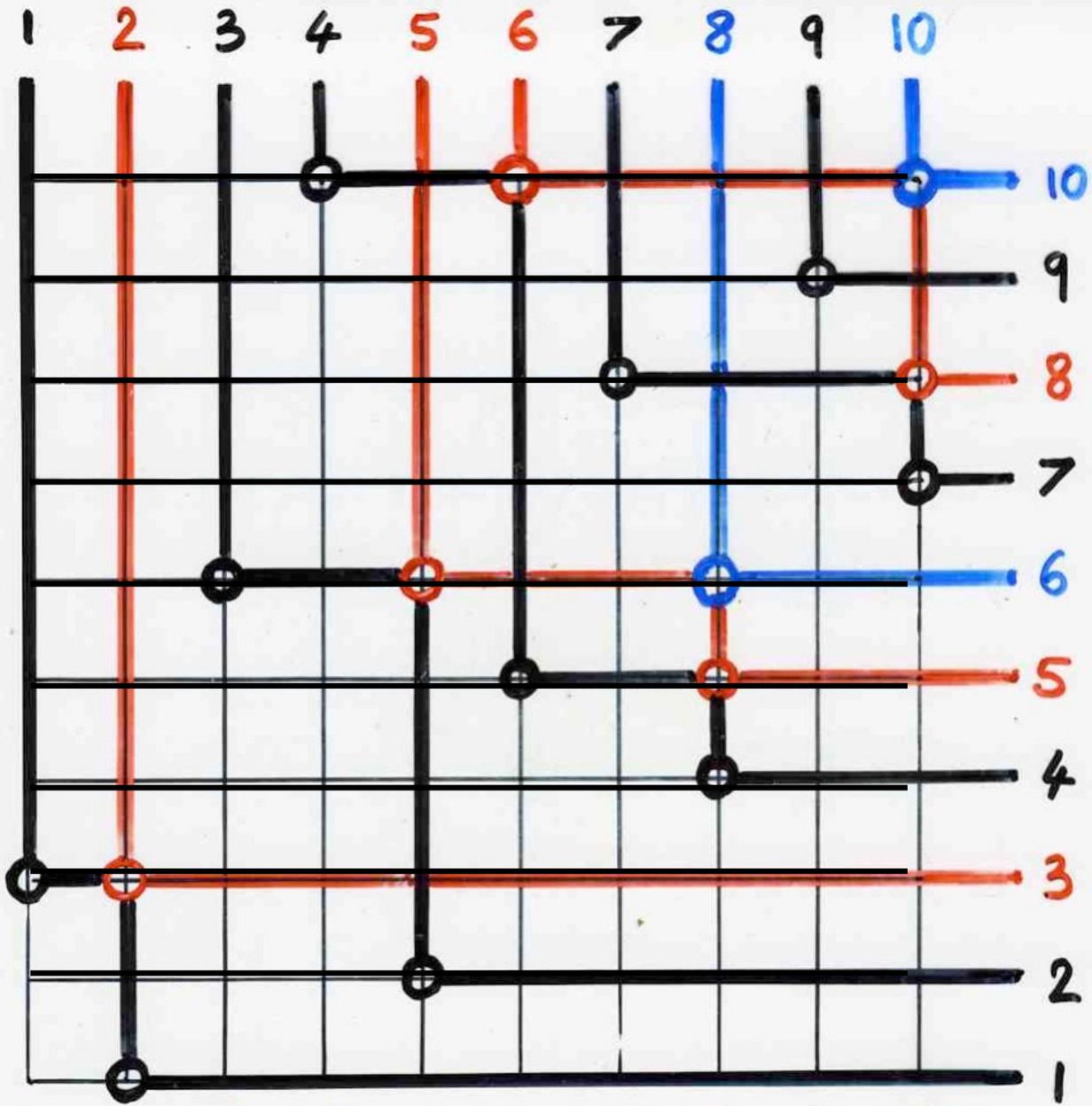
P



8	10			
2	5	6		
1	3	4	7	9

Q

The Robinson-Schensted correspondence
between permutations and pairs of
(standard) Young tableaux with the same shape



$\sigma = 3 \quad 1 \quad 6 \quad 10 \quad 2 \quad 5 \quad 8 \quad 4 \quad 9 \quad 7$

A few things about posets

poset \cong

partially ordered set

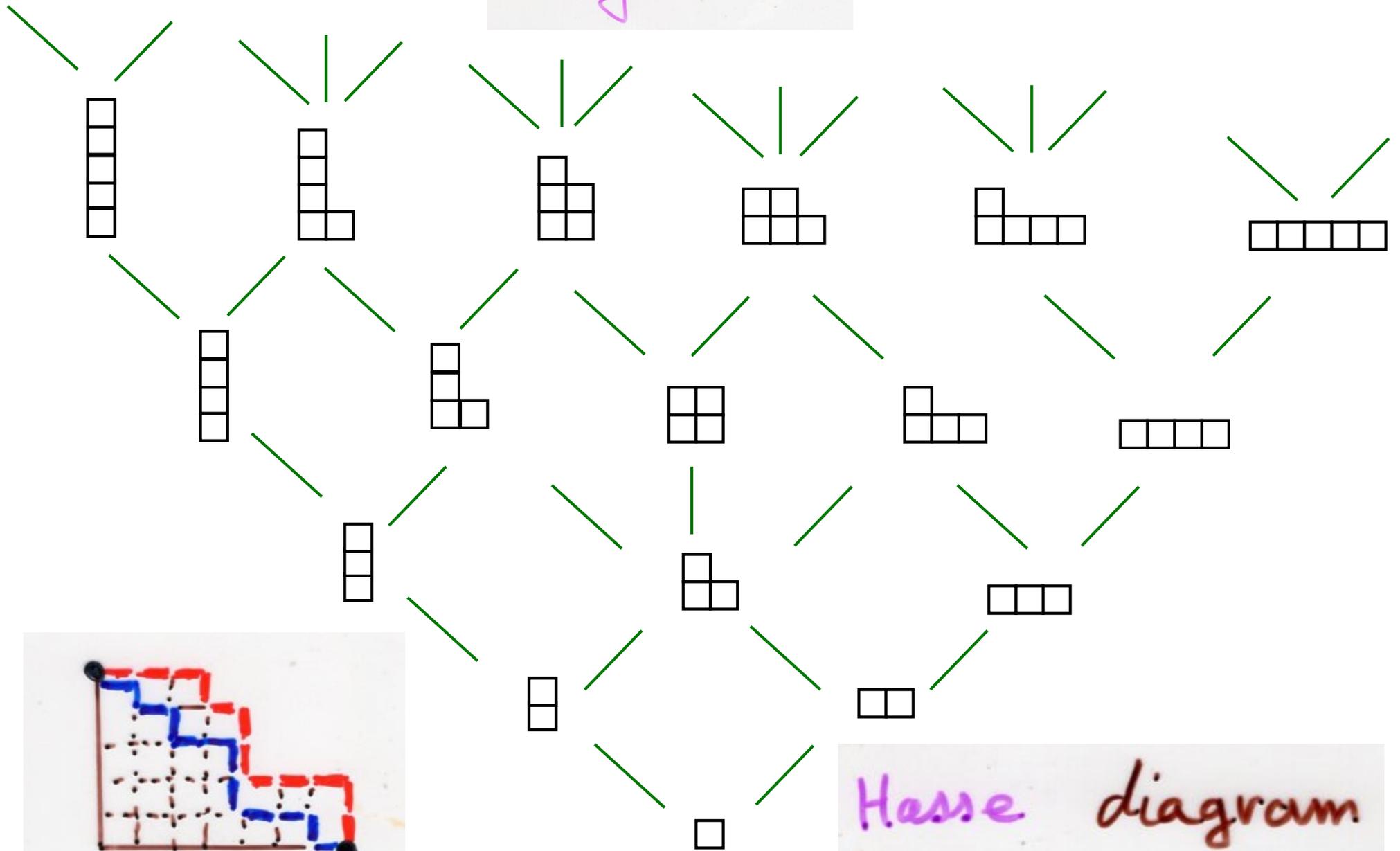


covering
relation

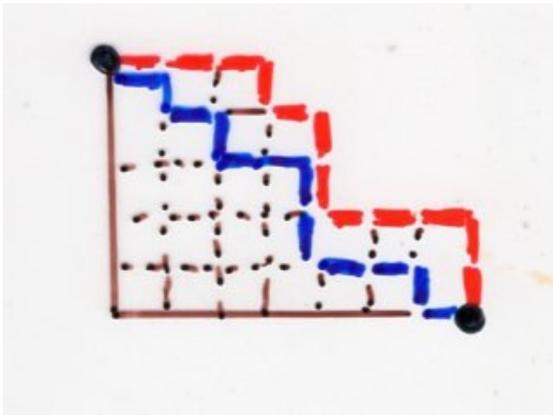
$\alpha \preceq \beta$
no γ between
 α and β .

Hasse diagram

Young lattice



Hasse diagram



lattice

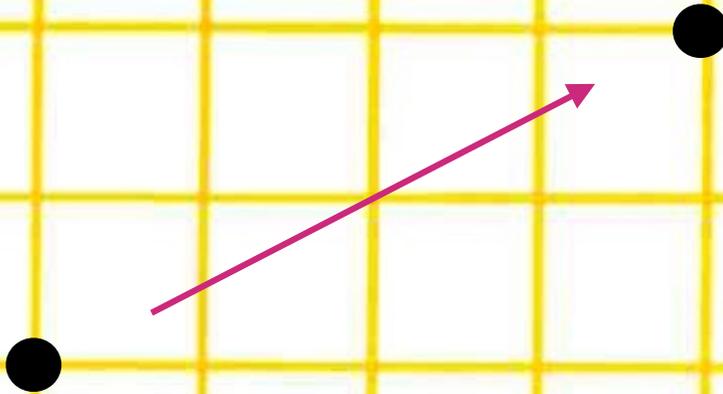
every two elements
have a unique
least upper bound (join)

and a unique
greatest lower bound
(meet)

$$[n] = [1, n]$$

$$\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$$

grid $[n] \times [n]$



product of two posets

$$(i, j) \leq (i', j') \\ \text{iff } i \leq i' \text{ and } j \leq j'$$

grid $[n] \times [n]$

lattice



shadow
of a permutation
(Ch 1a)

upper ideal

$$I \quad \begin{matrix} x \in I \\ y \succ x \end{matrix} \Rightarrow y \in I$$

lower ideal

$$J \quad x \in y \approx x \Rightarrow x \in J$$

Ferrers diagram

maximal chain
in a poset

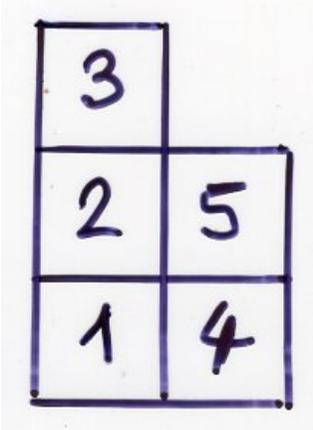
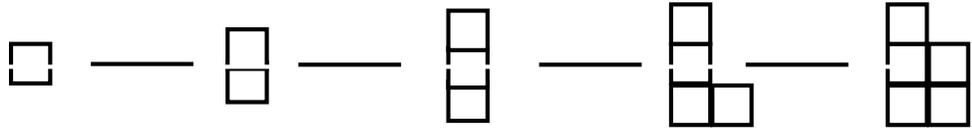
$\alpha_1 \preceq \alpha_2 \preceq \dots \preceq \alpha_k$
each α_{i+1} is covering α_i

maximal chain
in the Young lattice
 $\alpha_1 = \emptyset \preceq \dots \preceq \alpha_k = \lambda$

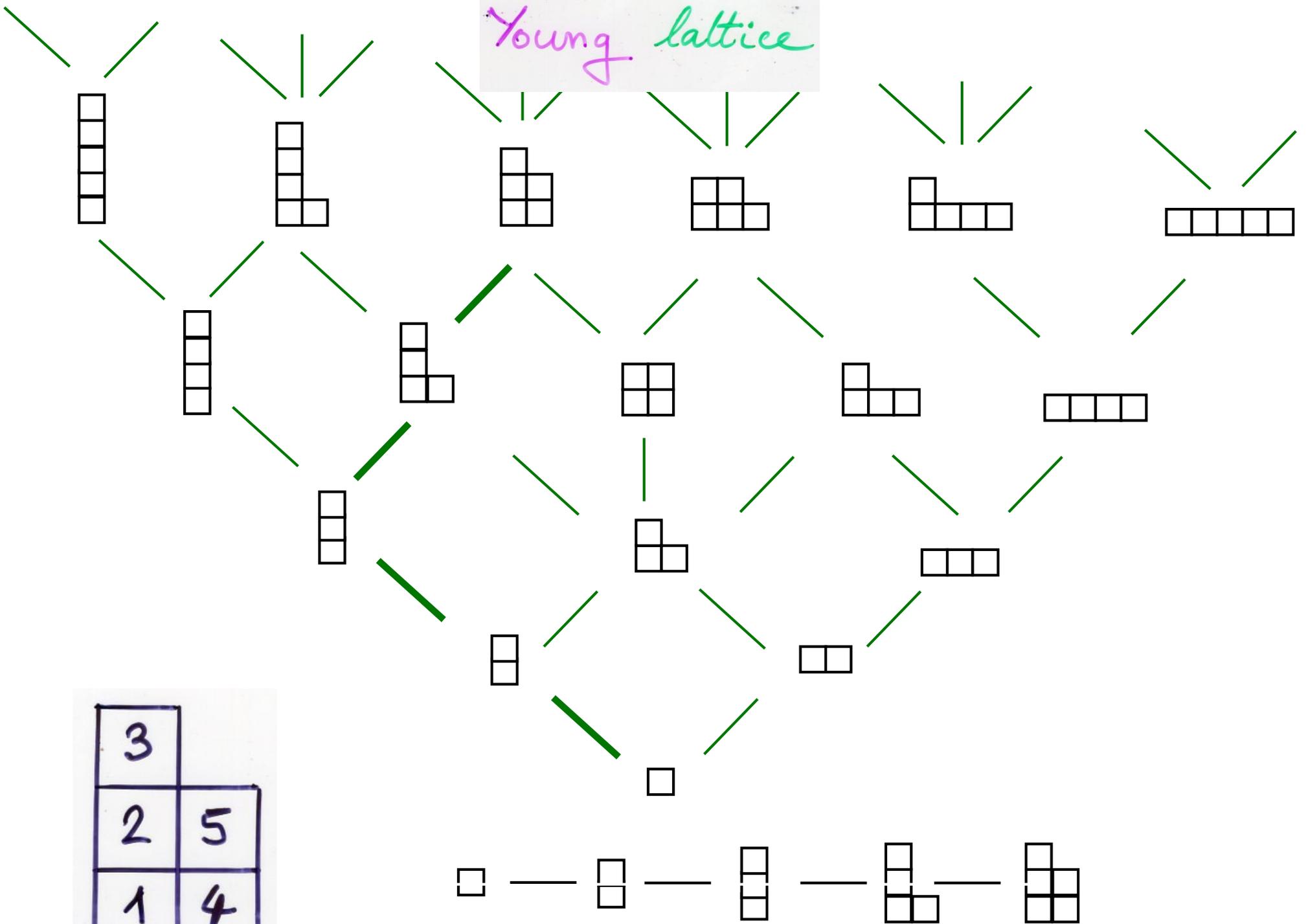
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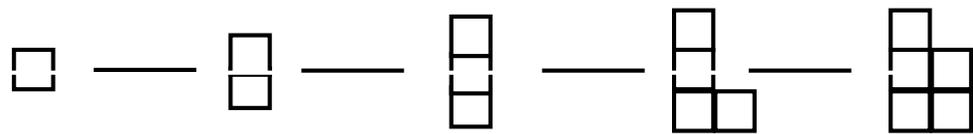
and Young tableaux
with shape λ



Young lattice



3	
2	5
1	4



“local” algorithm on a grid
or “growth diagrams”

S. Fomin, 1986, 1994



C. Krattenthaler

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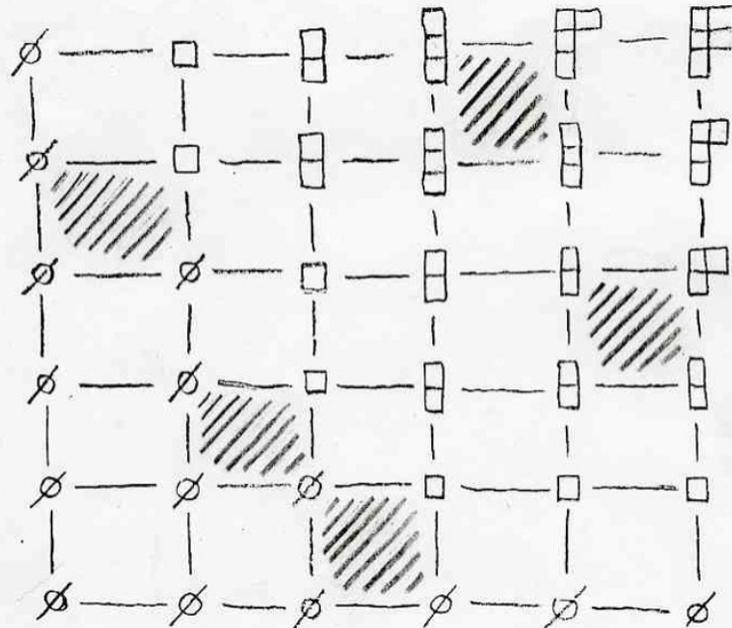
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S. Fomin and C. Greene, “A Littlewood-Richardson Miscellany”, Europ. J. Combinatorics 14, (1993), 191–212.

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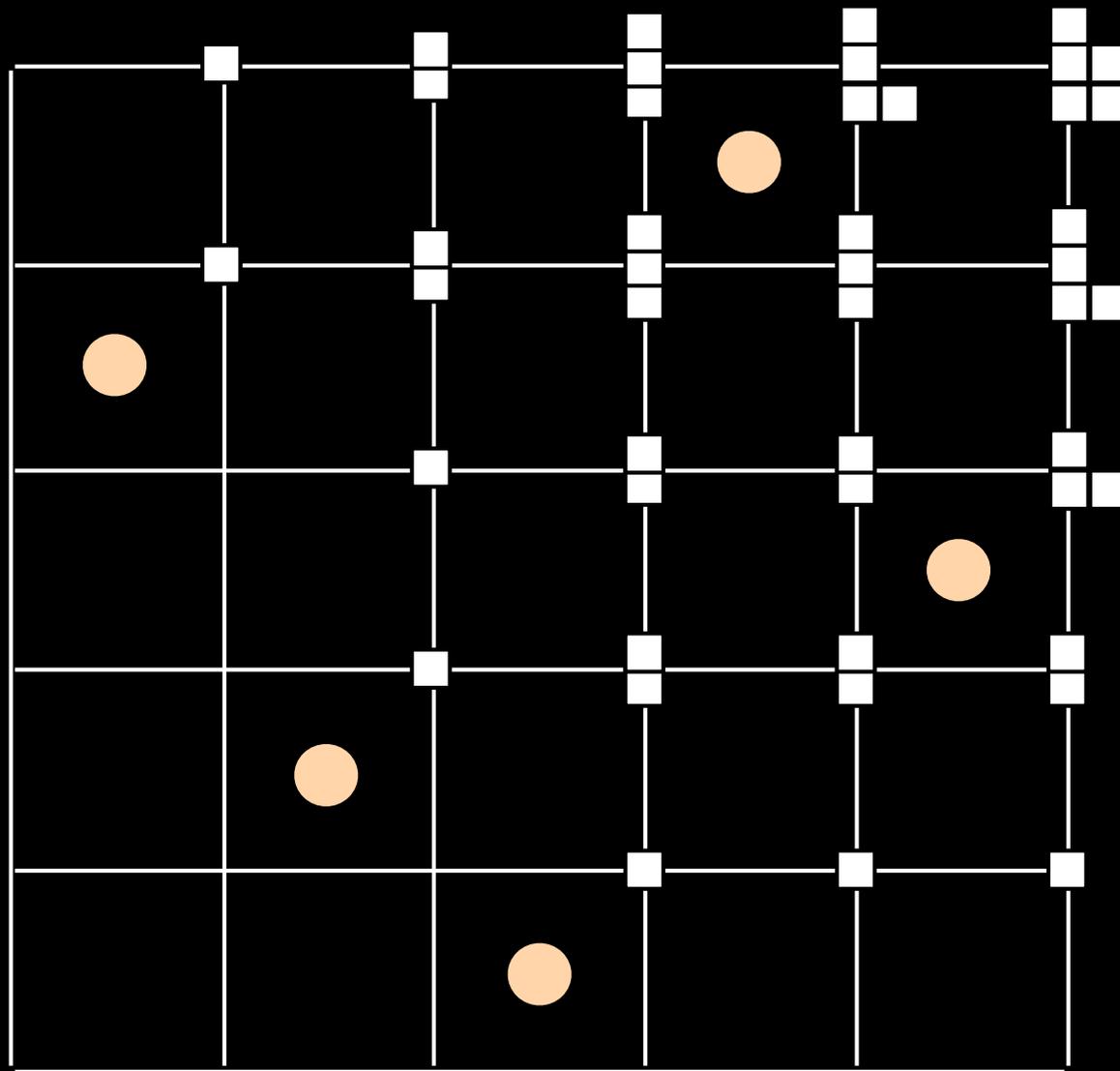


$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

permutation
associée

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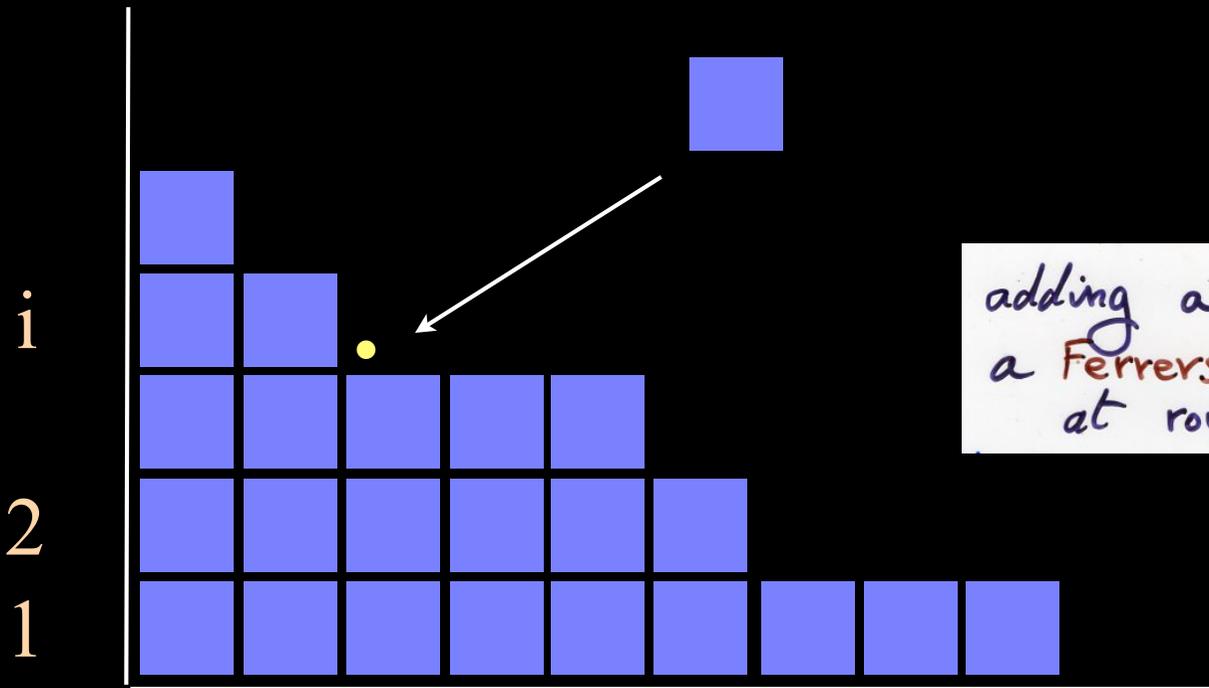


"growth diagrams"

"local rules"

notations

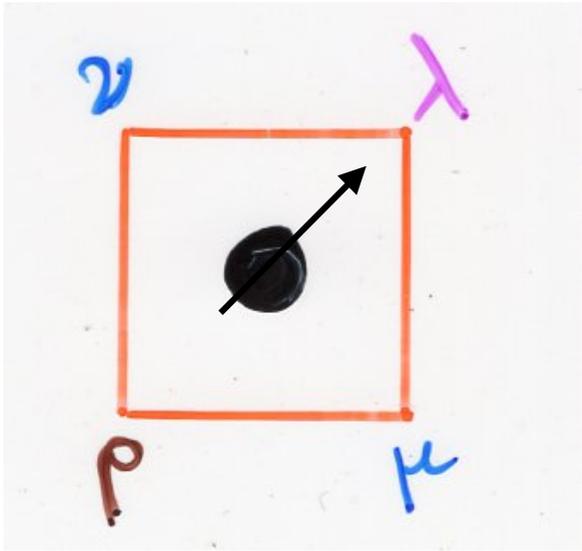
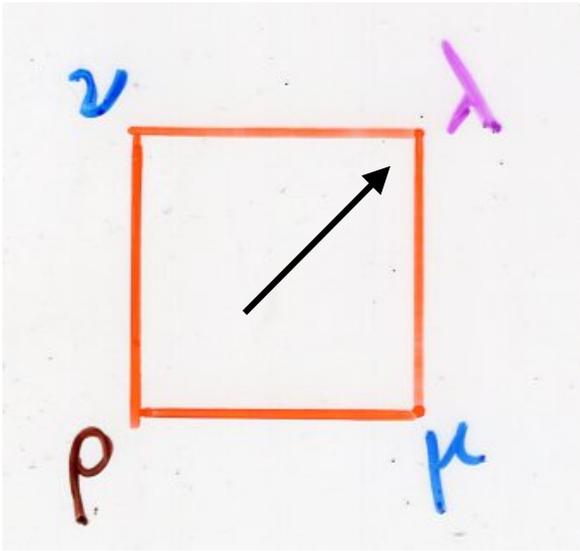
operator U_i



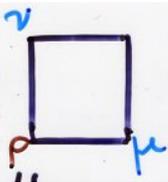
$$U_i(\rho) = \rho + (i)$$

"growth diagrams"

"local rules"



"local rules"

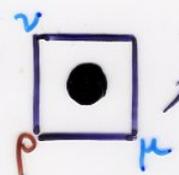
(i) $\rho = \mu = \nu$ and  then $\lambda = \rho$

(ii) $\rho = \mu \neq \nu$, then $\lambda = \nu$

(iii) $\rho = \nu \neq \mu$, then $\lambda = \mu$

(iv) ρ, μ, ν pairwise \neq , then $\lambda = \mu \cup \nu$

(v) $\rho \neq \mu = \nu$, then $\lambda = \mu + (i+1)$
 given that $\mu = \nu$ and ρ differ in the i -th row
 [in fact $\mu = \nu = \rho + (i)$]

(vi) $\rho = \mu = \nu$ and , then $\lambda = \mu + (1)$

C.Krattenthaler, (2006).

GROWTH DIAGRAMS, AND INCREASING AND DECREASING CHAINS IN FILLINGS OF FERRERS SHAPES

"local rules"

(i) $\rho = \mu = \nu$ and $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \nu \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \rho \\ \hline \mu \end{array}$ then $\lambda = \rho$

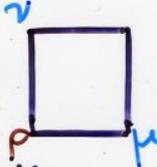
(ii), (iii), (iv) $\mu \neq \nu$, then $\lambda = \mu \cup \nu$

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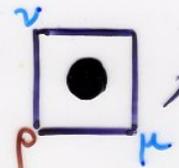
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$$\mu = \nu$$

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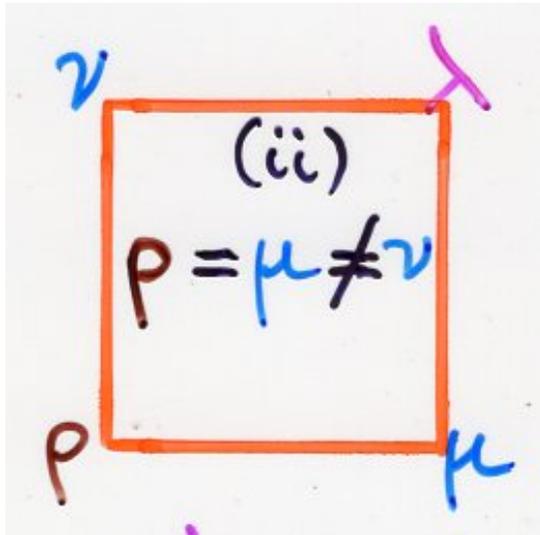
$$\mu = \nu$$

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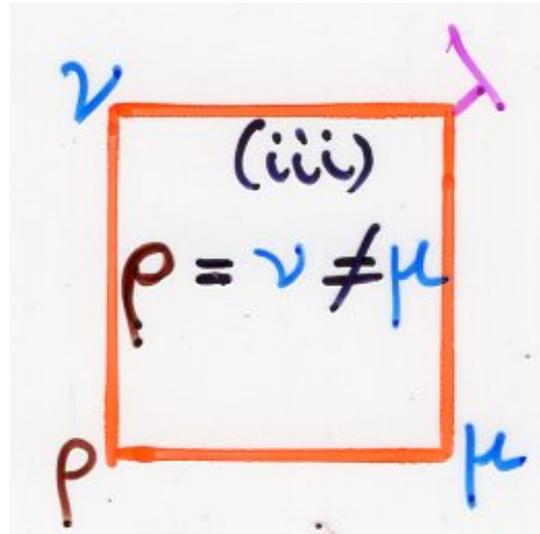
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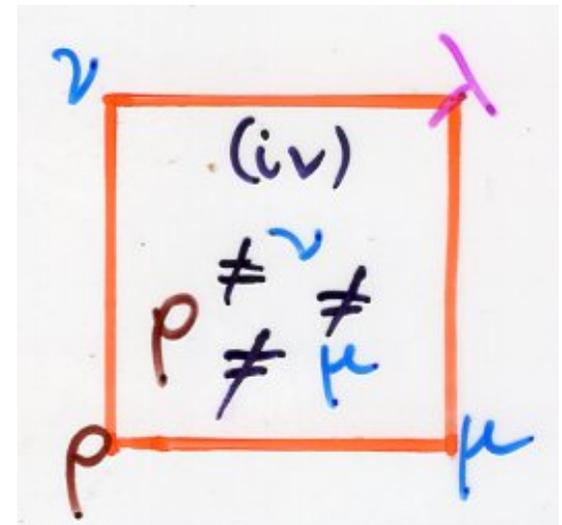
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$$\lambda = \nu$$



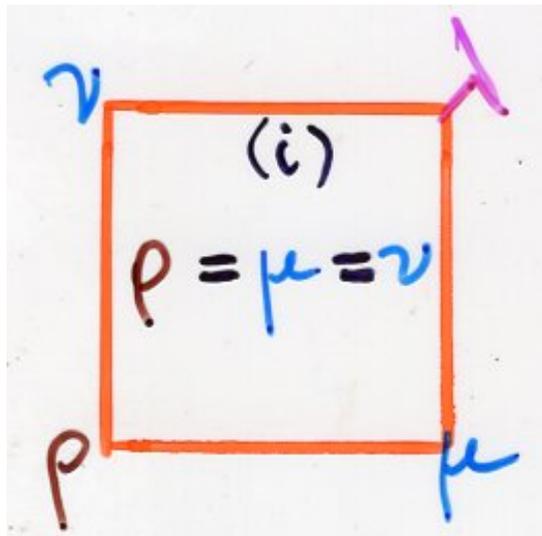
$$\lambda = \mu$$



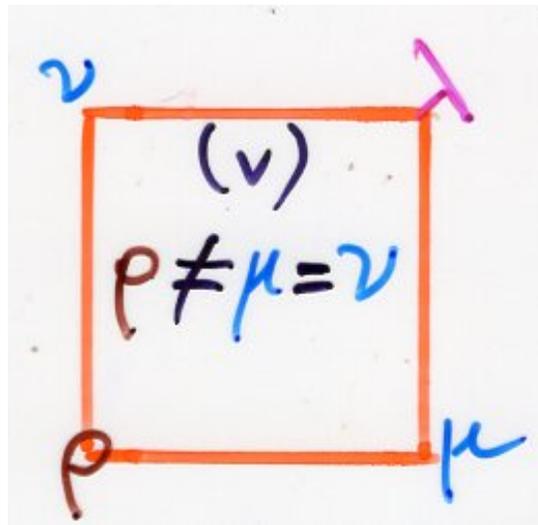
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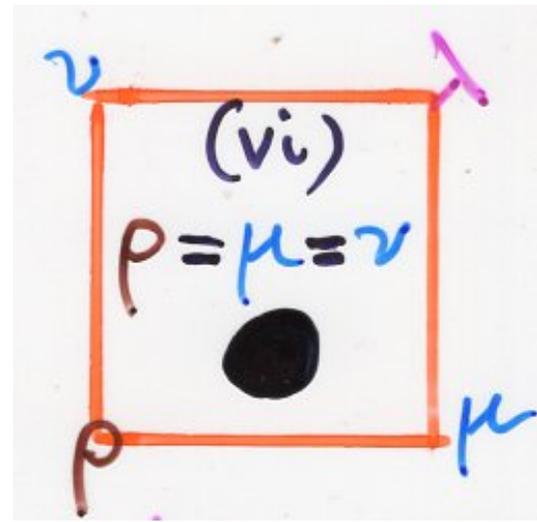
$$\mu = \nu$$



$$\lambda = \rho$$



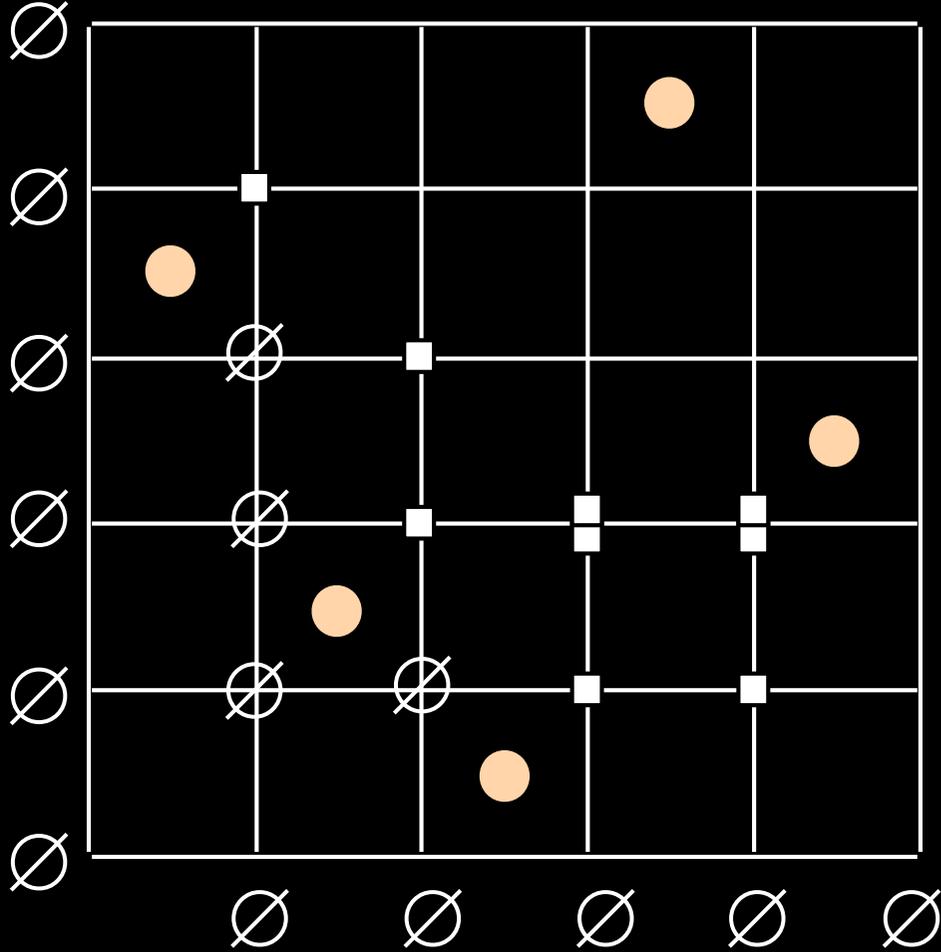
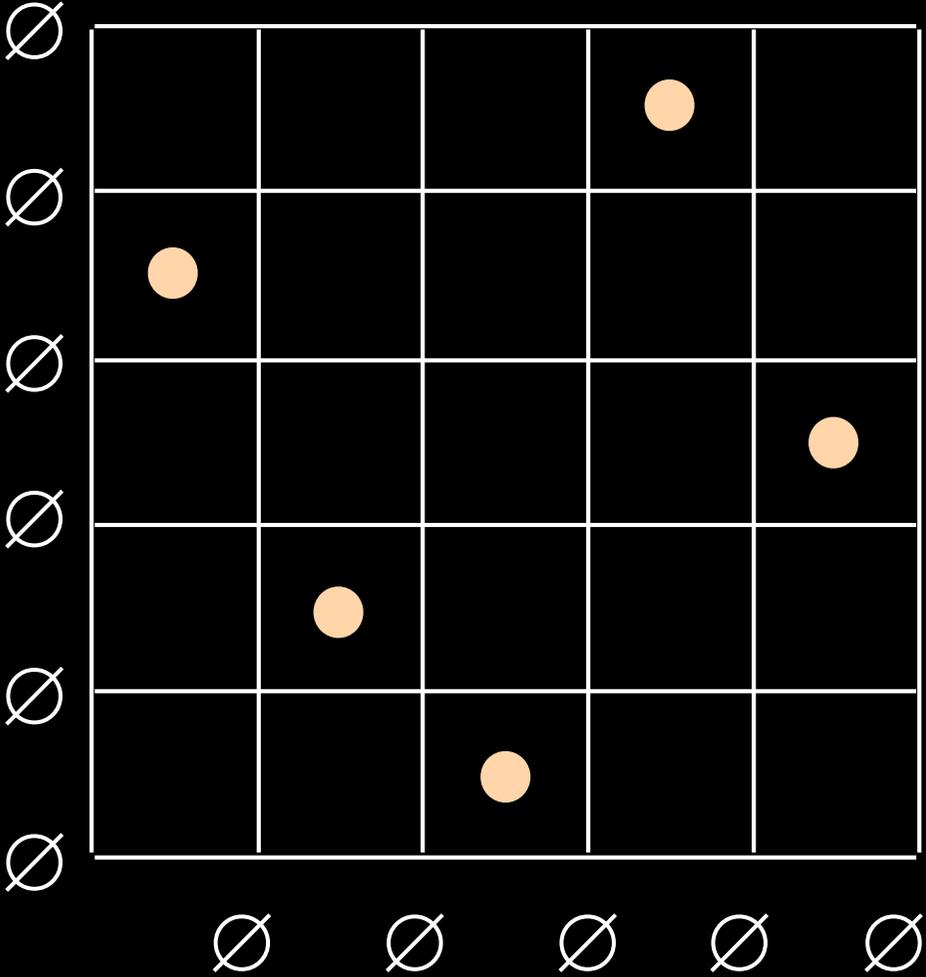
$$\lambda = \begin{Bmatrix} \mu \\ \nu \end{Bmatrix} + (i+1)$$



$$\lambda = \begin{Bmatrix} \rho \\ \mu \\ \nu \end{Bmatrix} + (1)$$

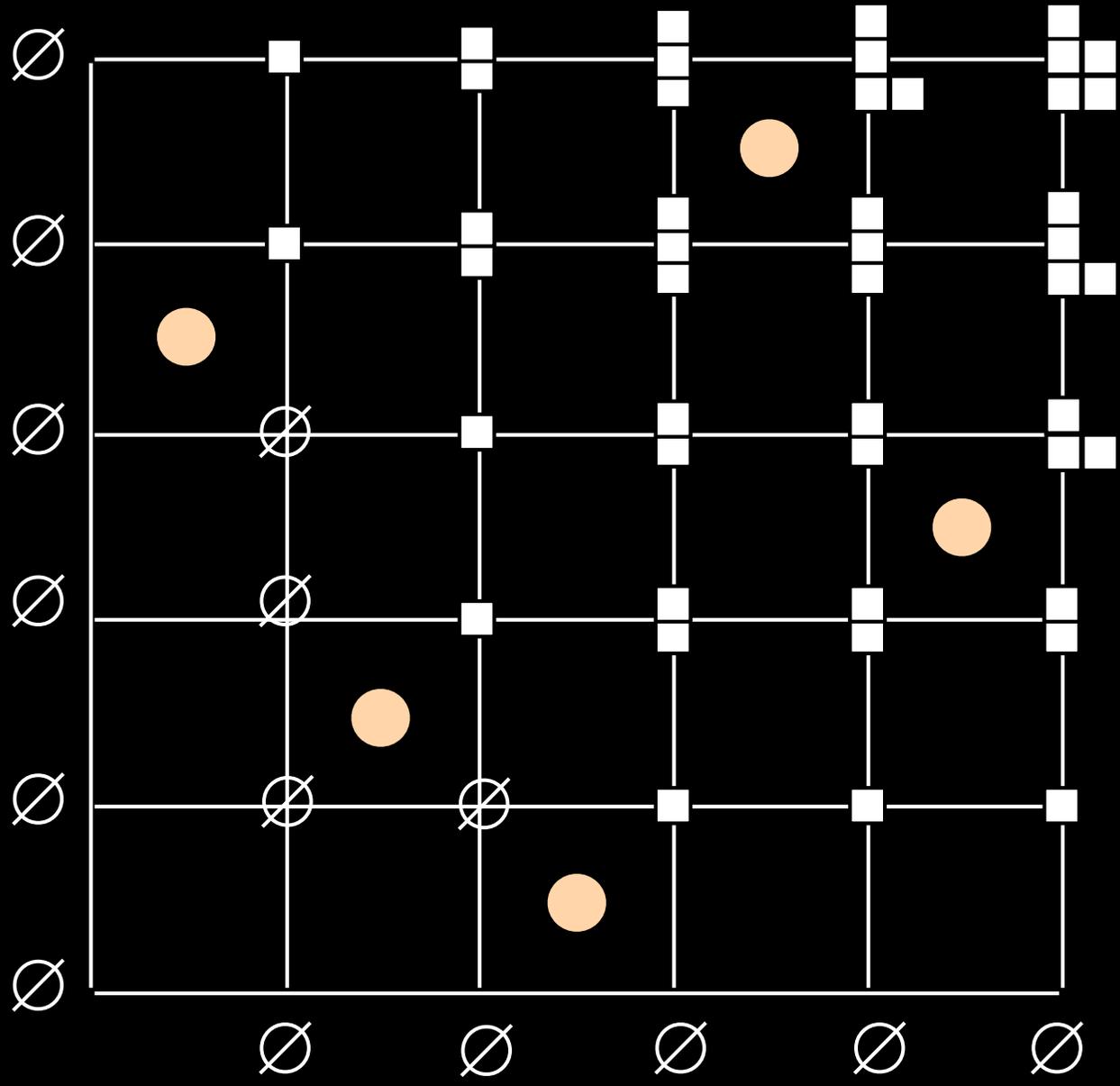
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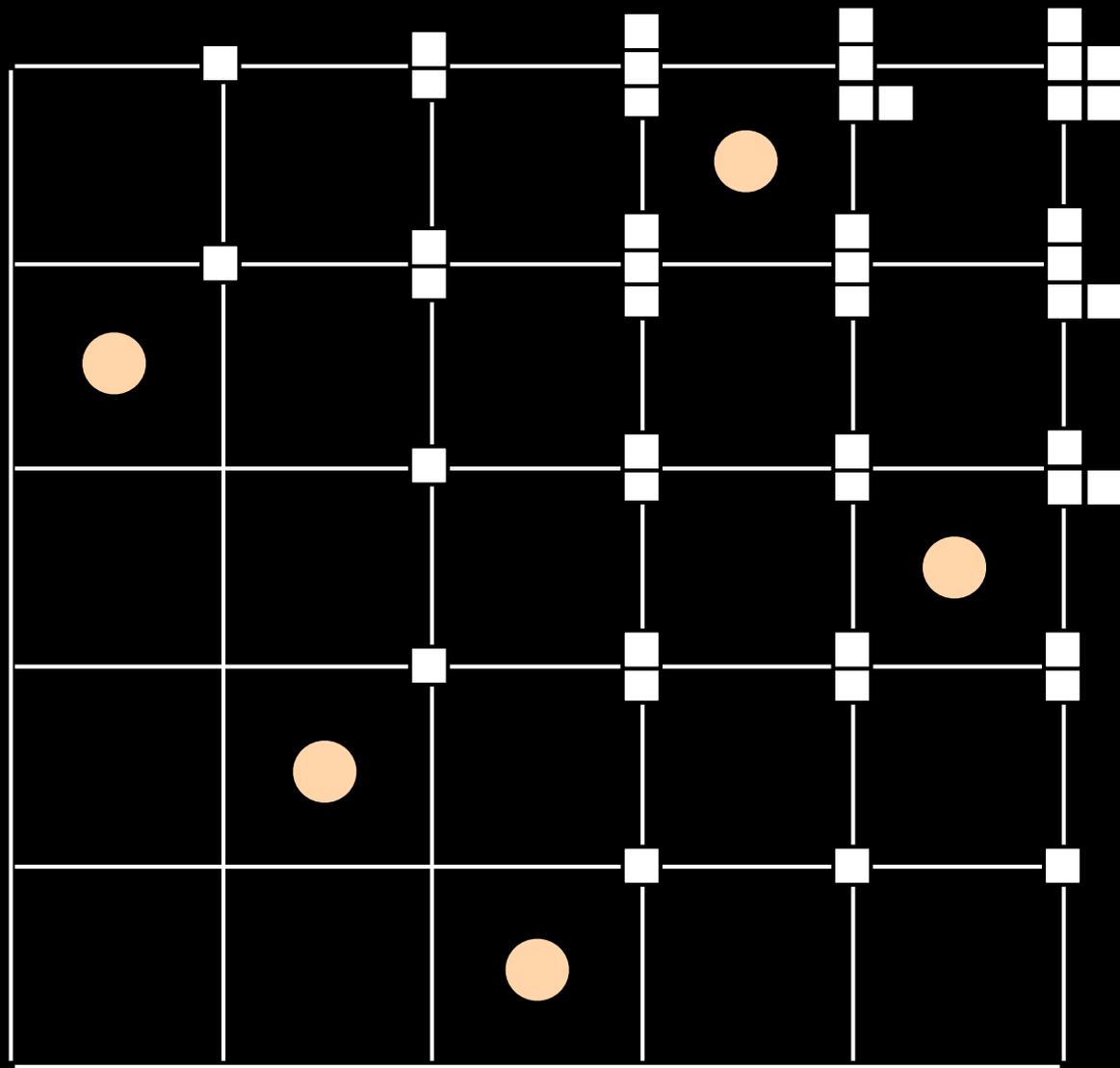
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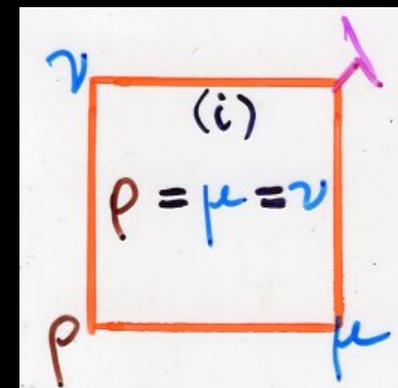
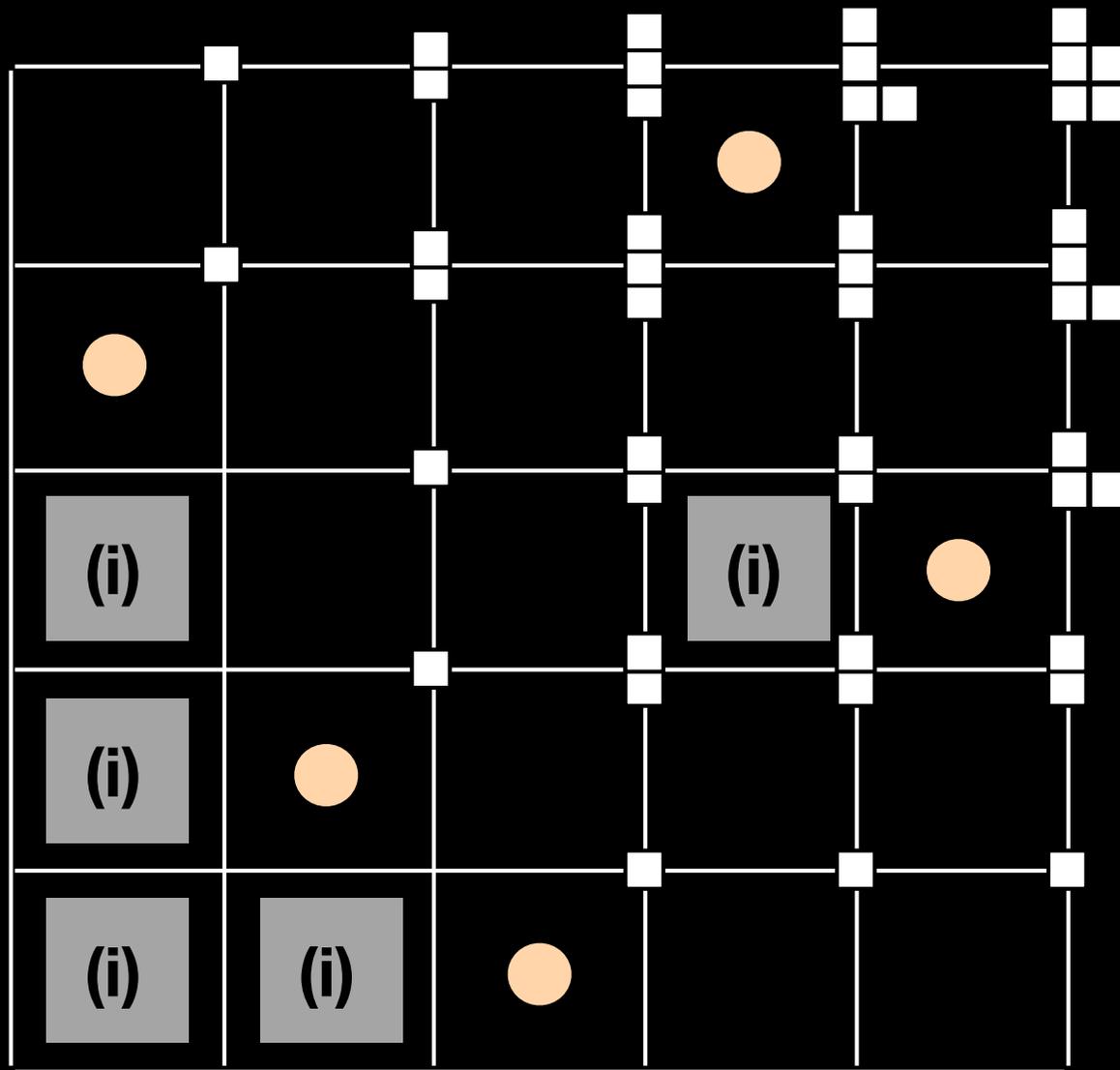


$\sigma = 4, 2, 1, 5, 3$

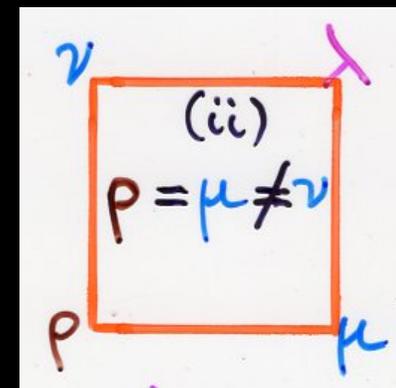
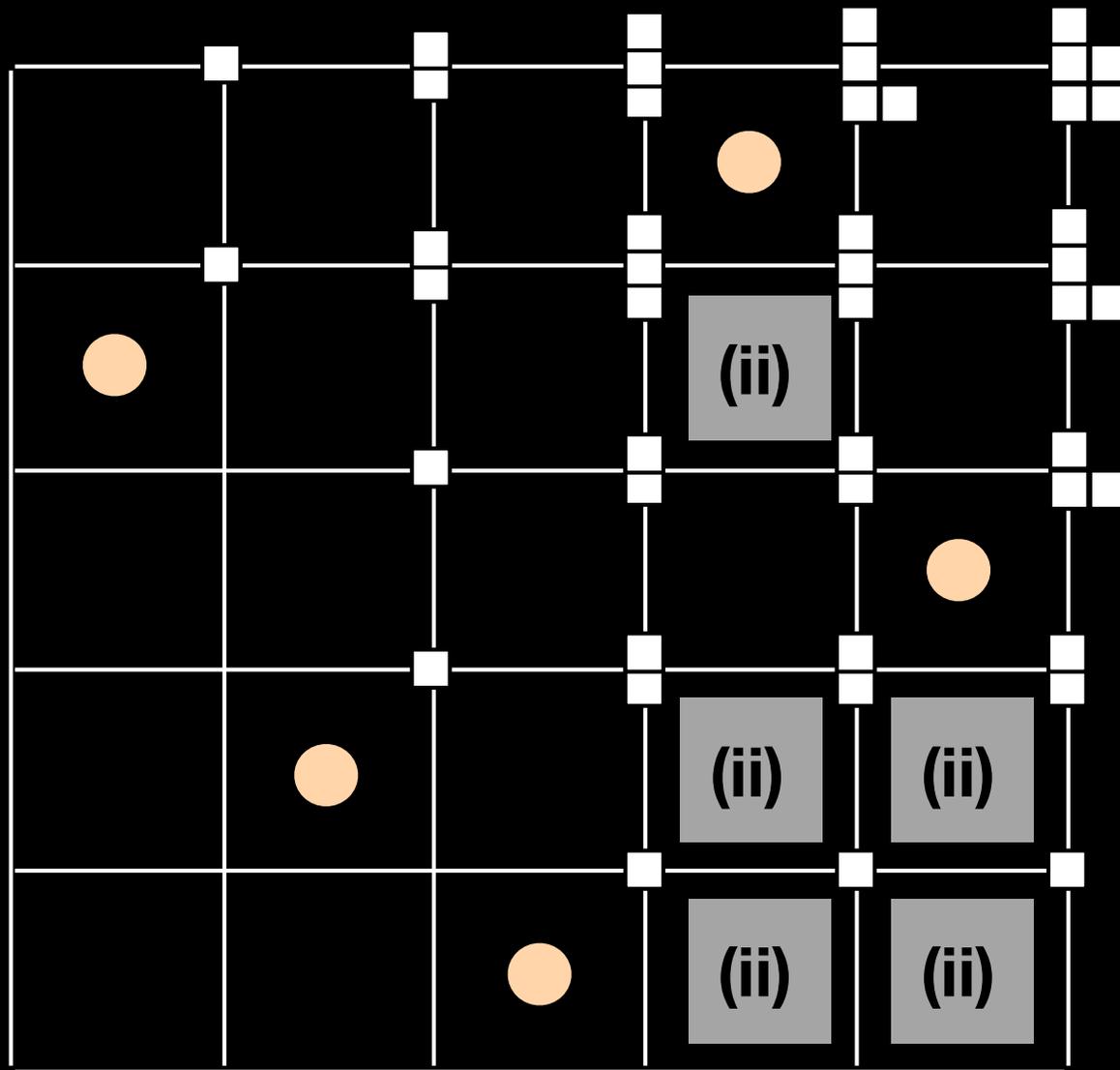
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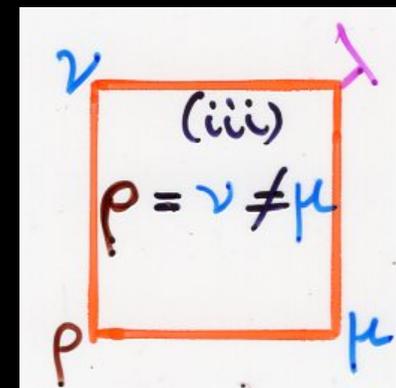
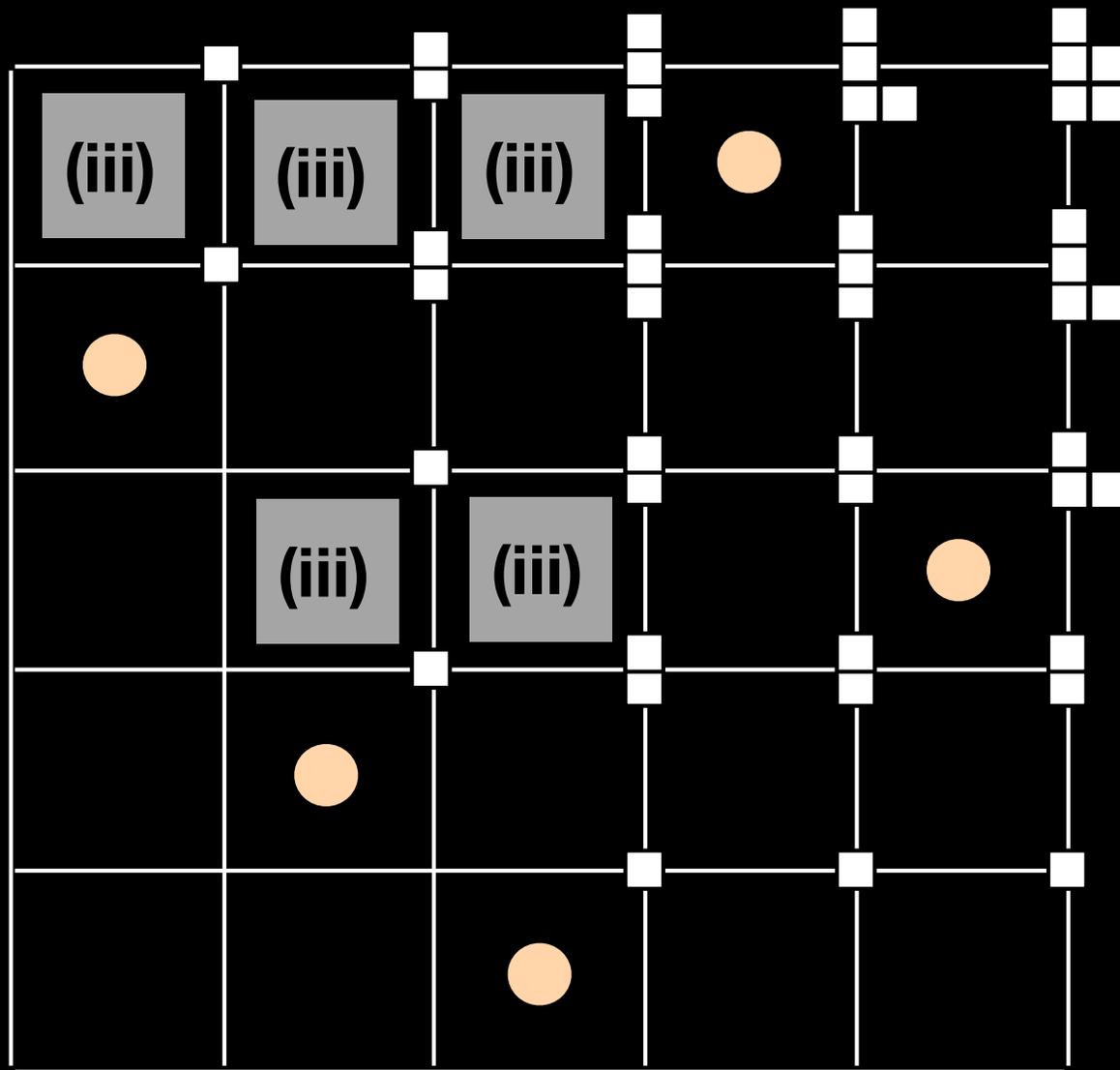




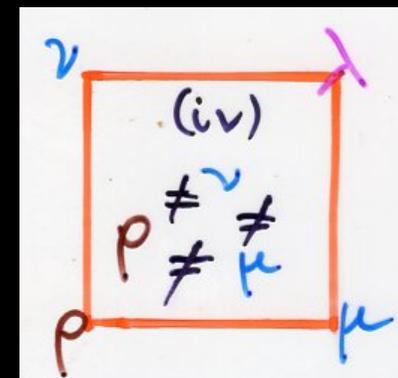
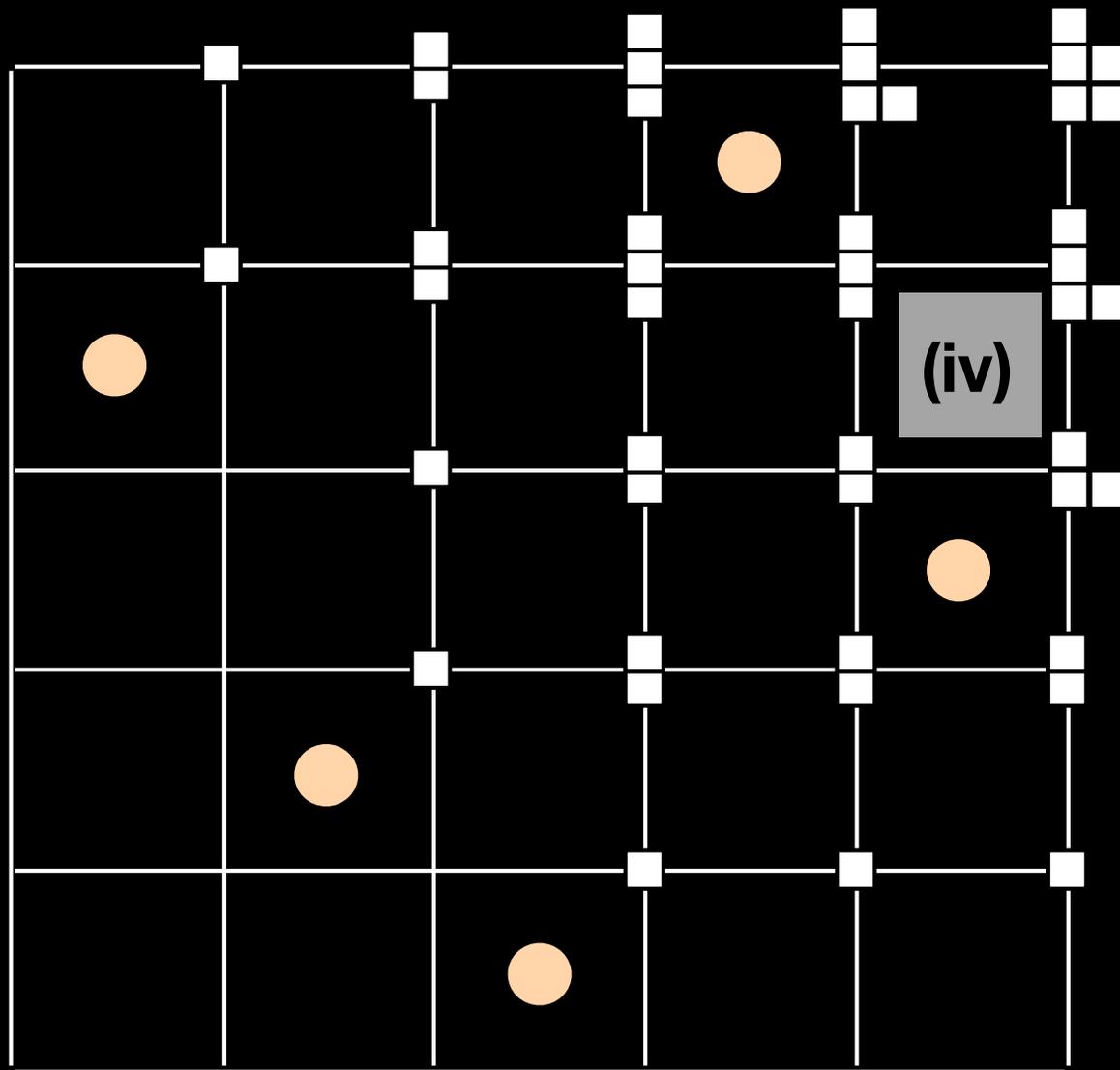
$$\lambda = \rho$$



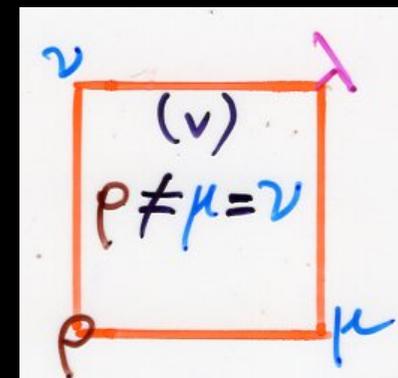
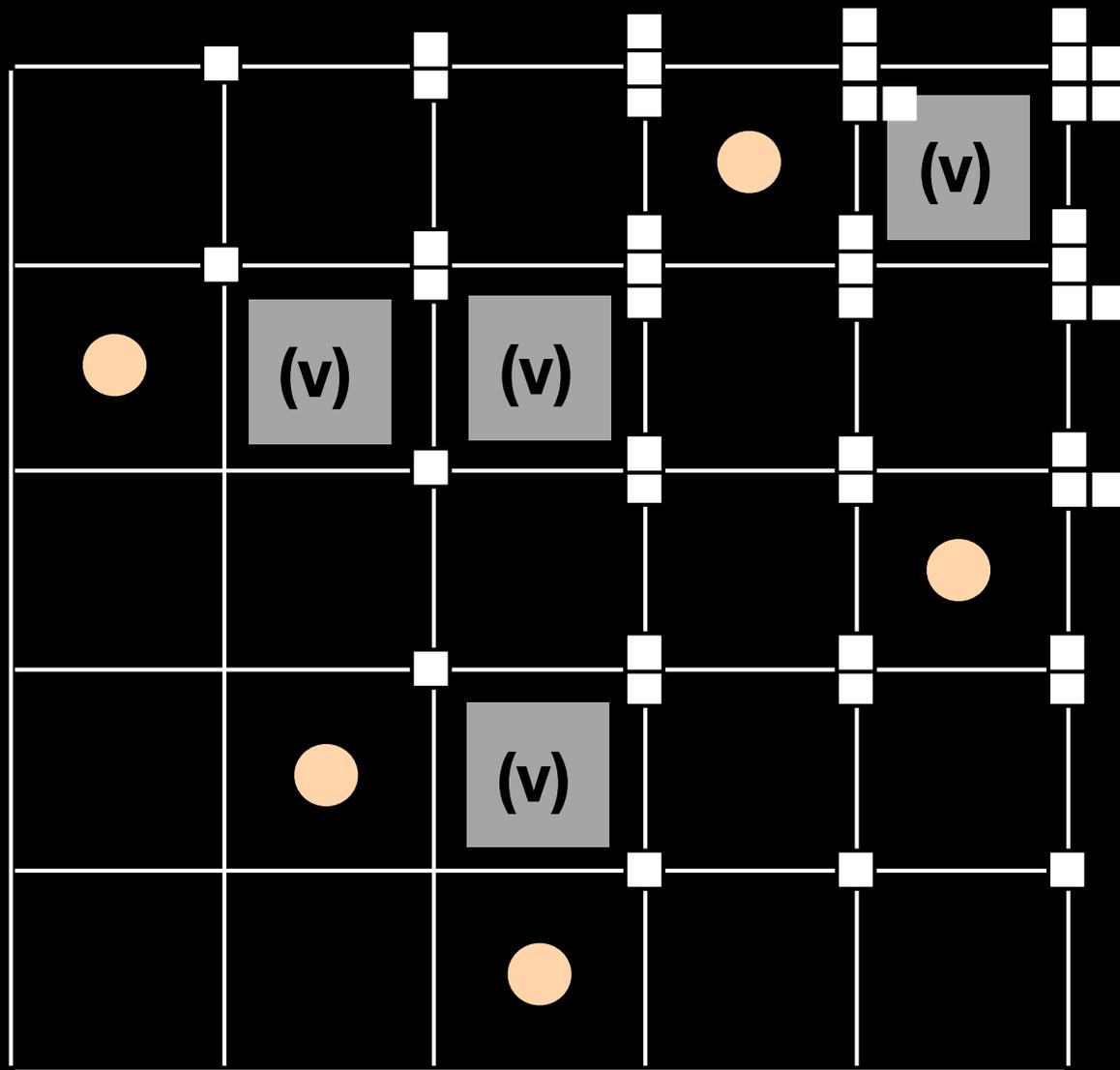
$$\lambda = v$$



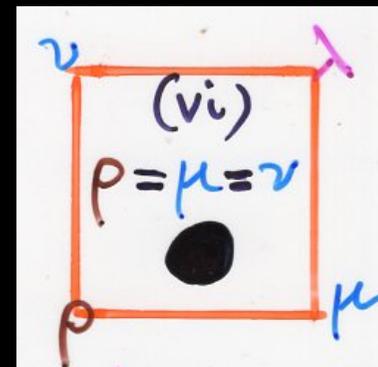
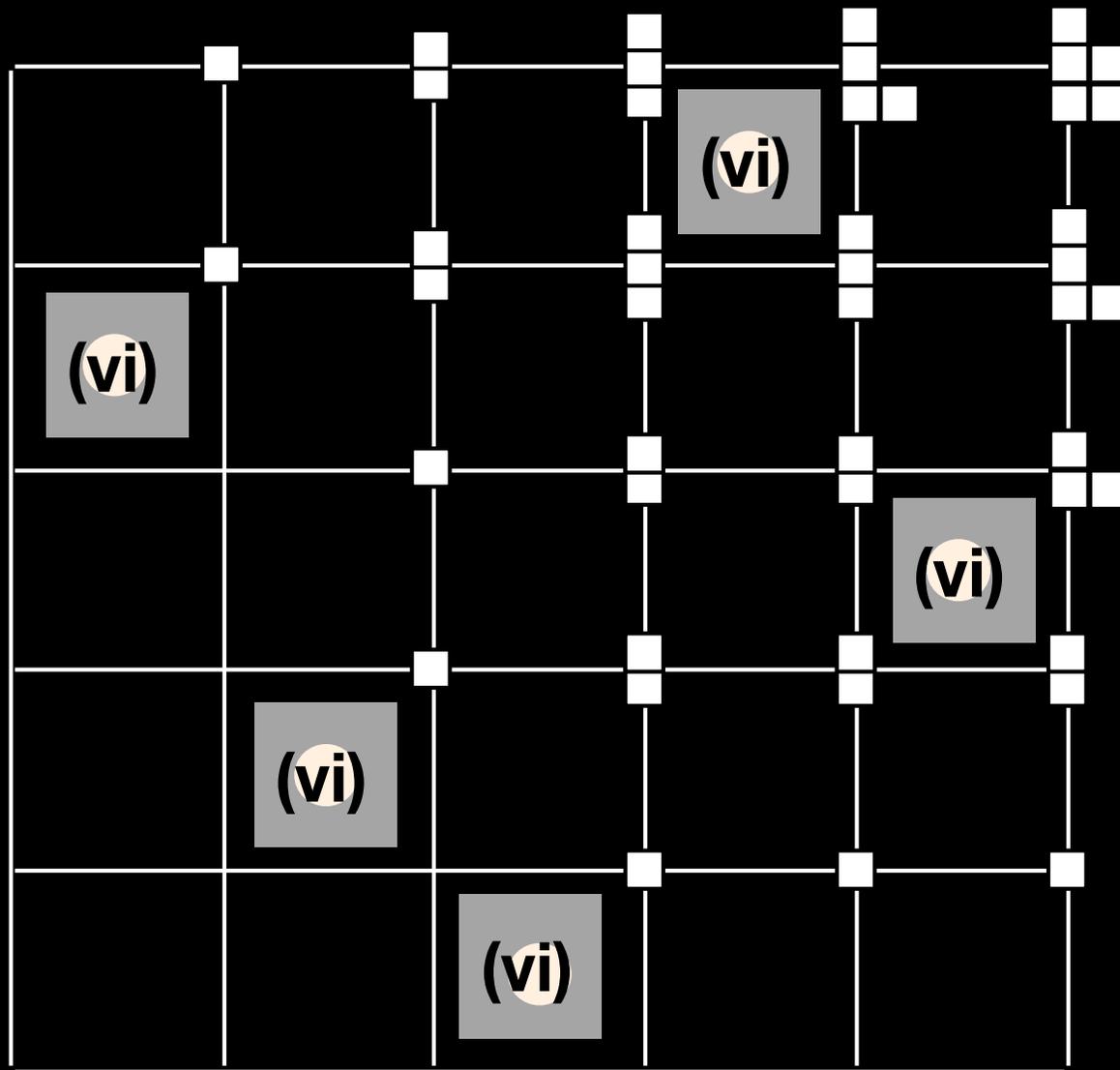
$$\lambda = \mu$$



$$\lambda = \mu \cup \nu$$

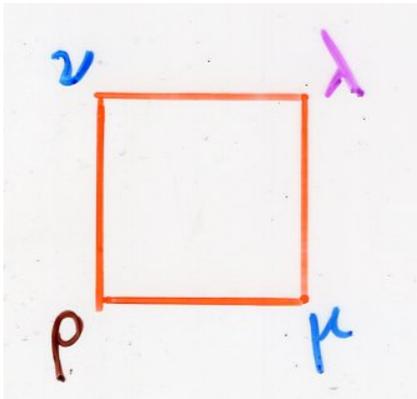


$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \mu \\ v \end{cases} + (i+1)$$



$$\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ \mu \\ v \end{pmatrix} + (1)$$

- during the labeling process of the vertices of the grid $[n] \times [n]$ with Ferrers diagrams :
 independence of the order in which the labeling is done

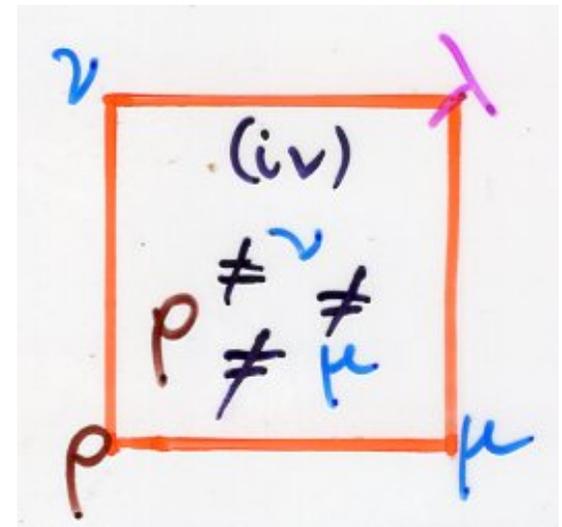
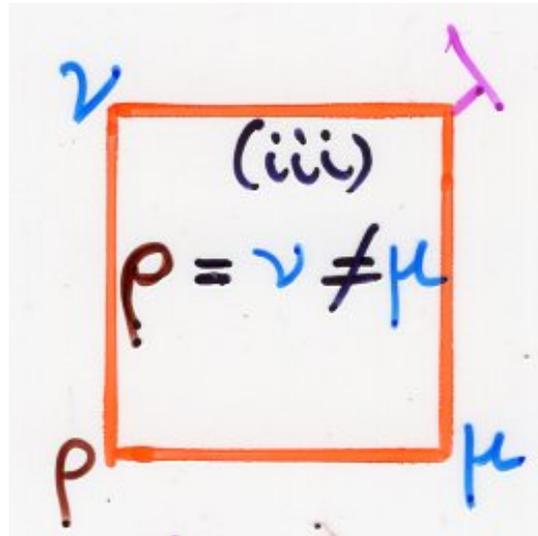
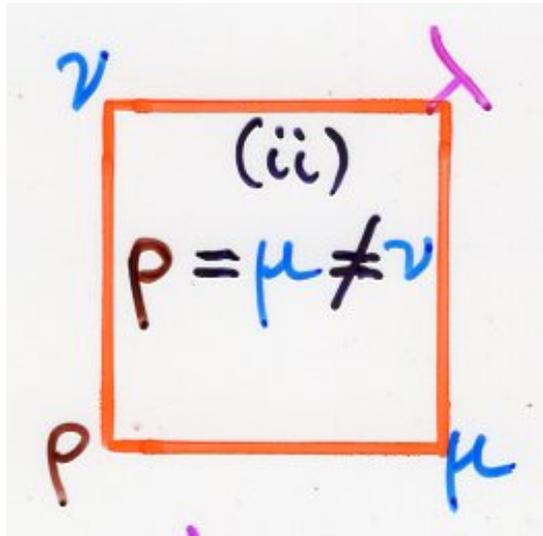


- for every cell :

- λ is obtained from μ by adding a cell
 or $\lambda = \mu$
- λ ----- ν -----
 or $\lambda = \nu$

"local rules"

$$\mu \neq \nu$$



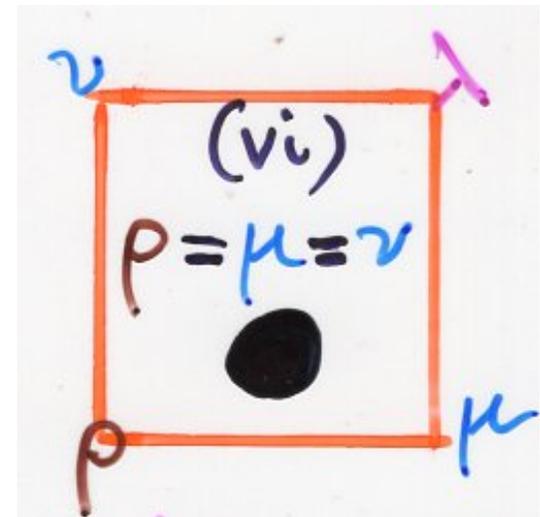
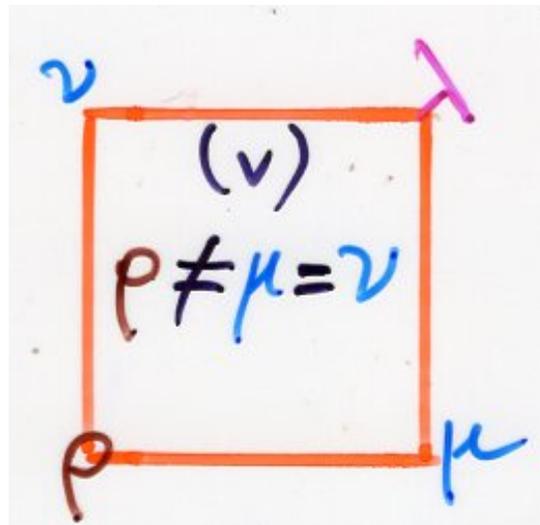
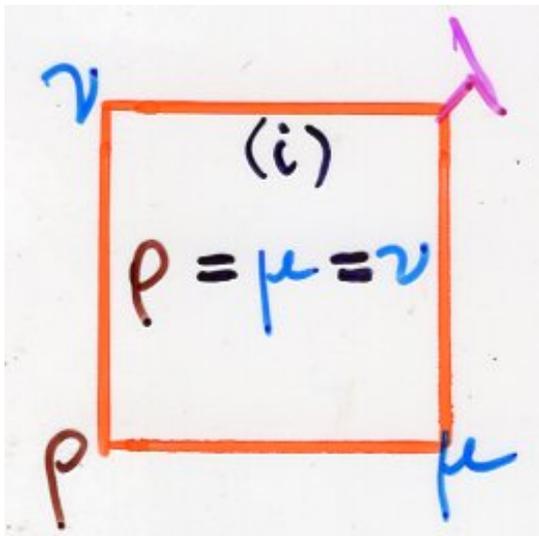
$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \mu \\ \lambda &= \nu = \rho + (i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \nu \\ \lambda &= \mu = \rho + (j) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu &= \rho + (i) \\ \mu &= \rho + (j) \\ \lambda &= \rho + (i) + (j) \end{aligned}$$

"local rules"

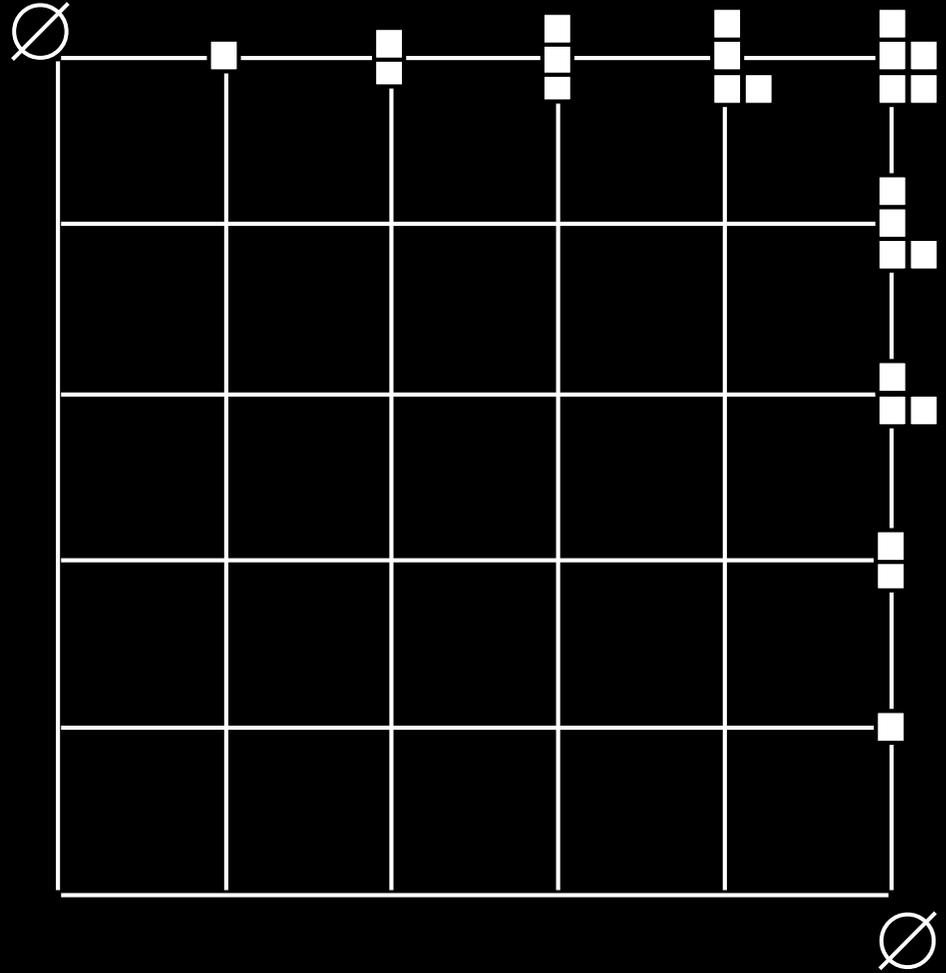
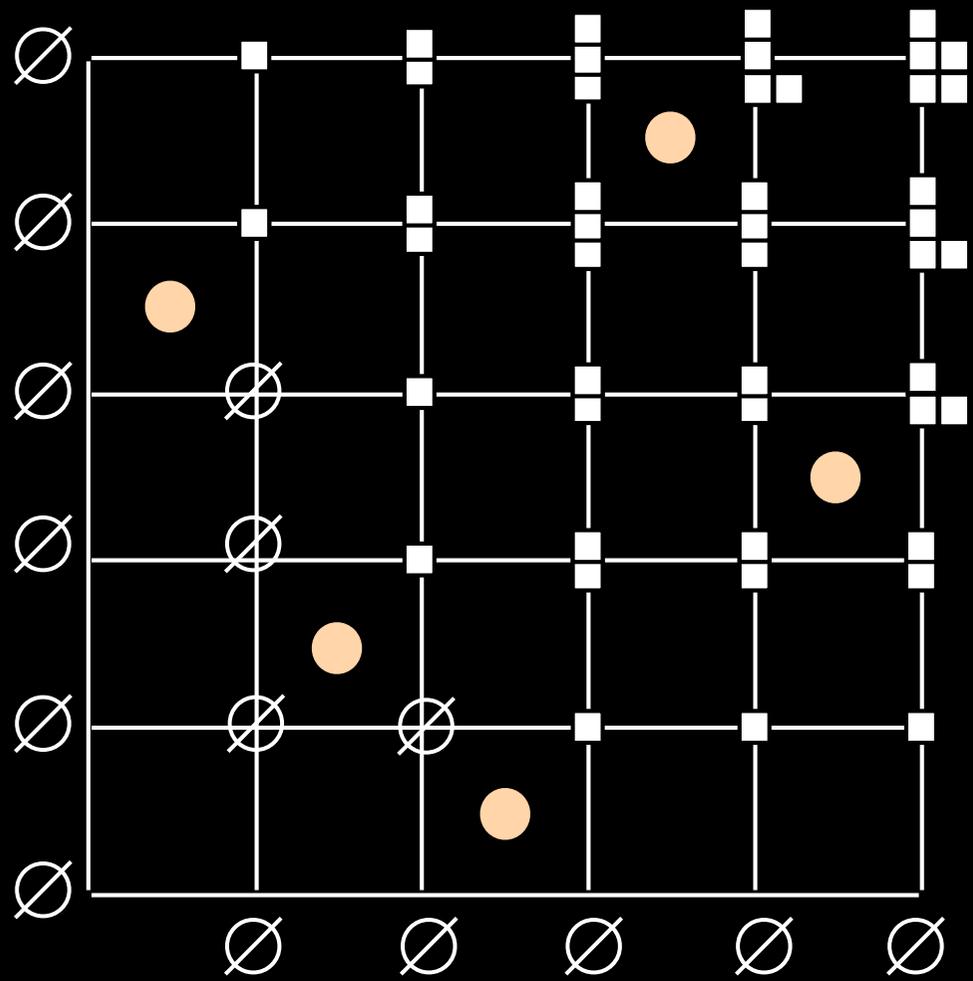
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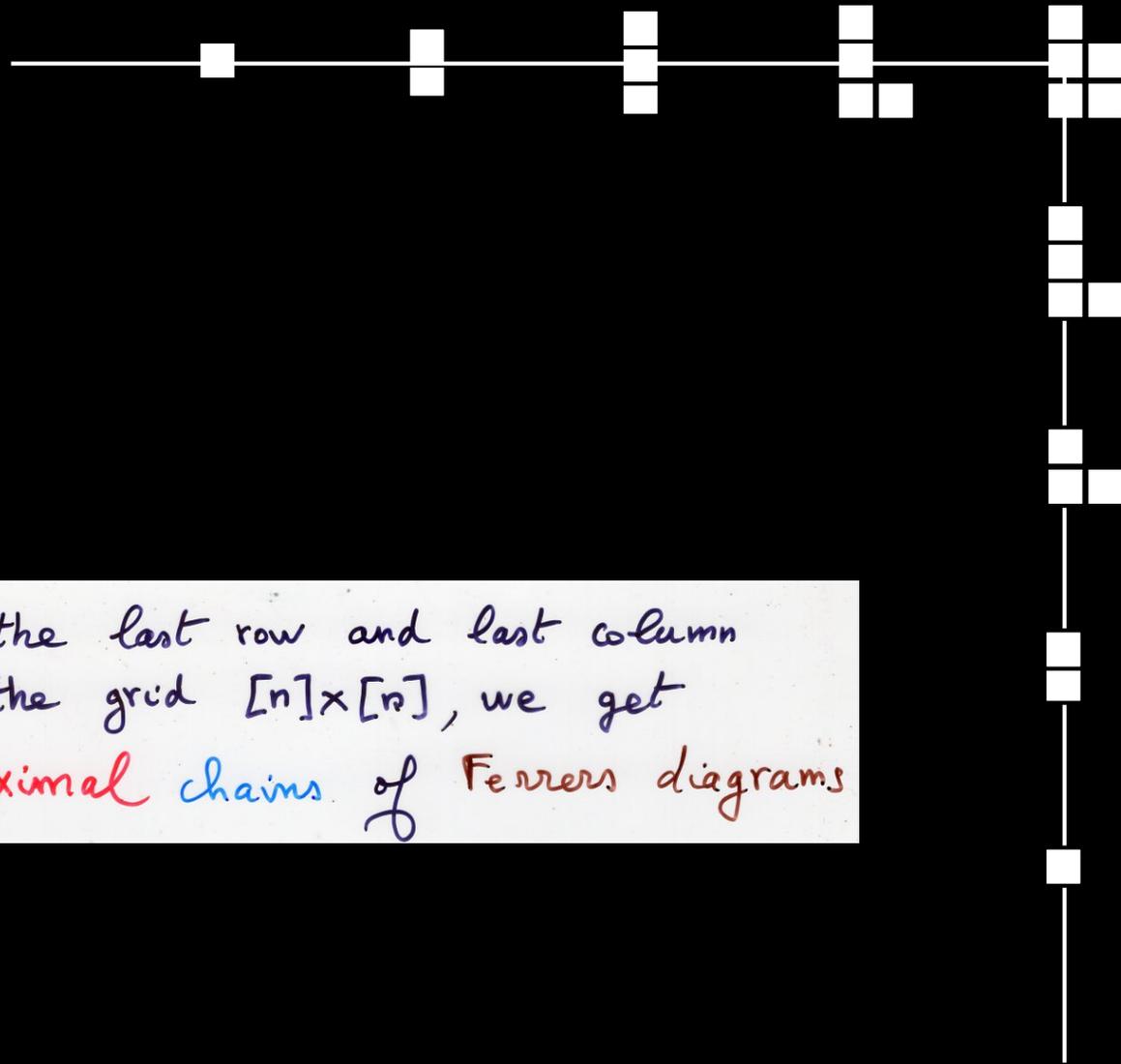


$$\lambda = \rho = \mu = \nu$$

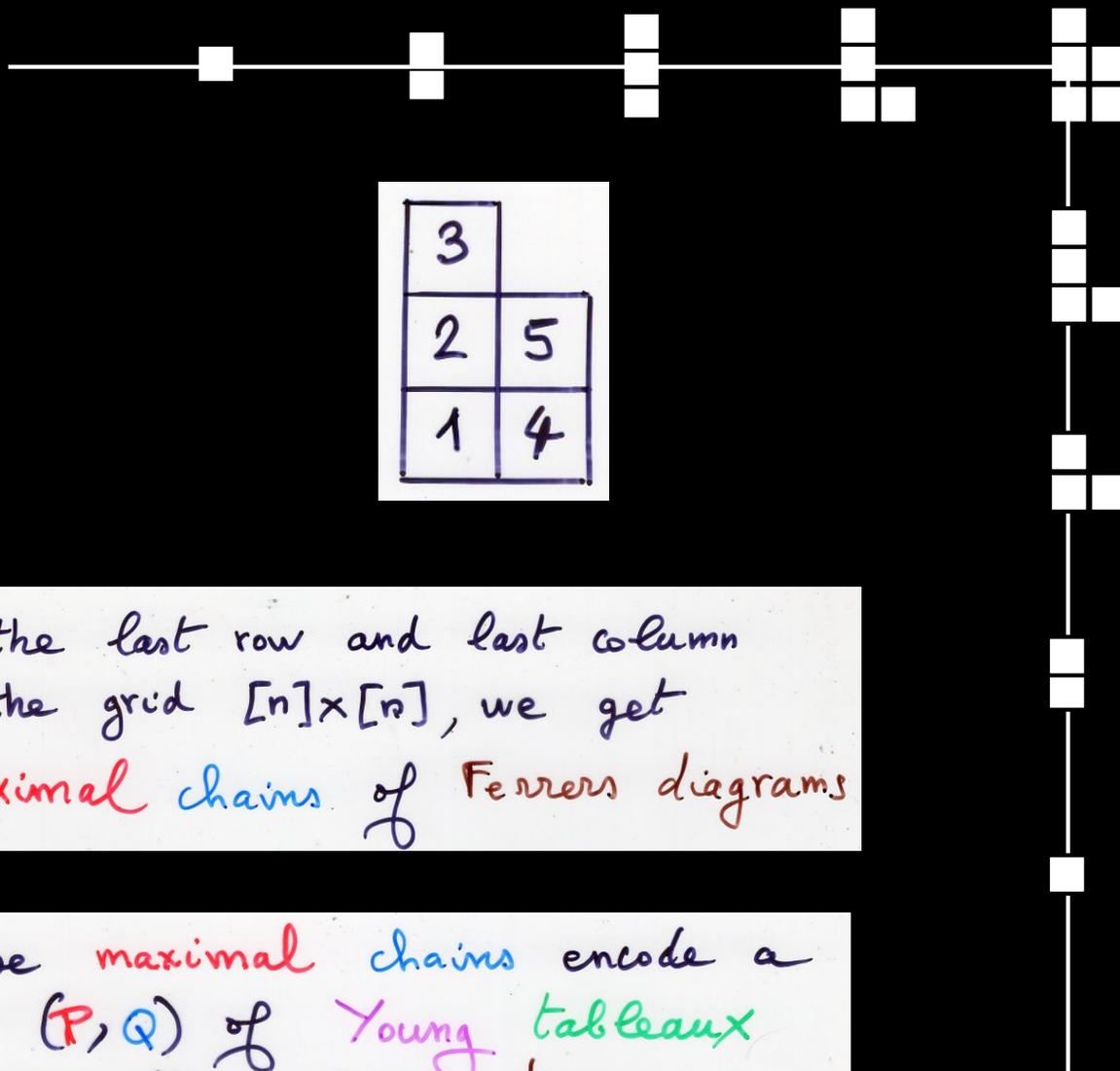
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- in the last row and last column of the grid $[n] \times [n]$, we get maximal chains of Ferrers diagrams

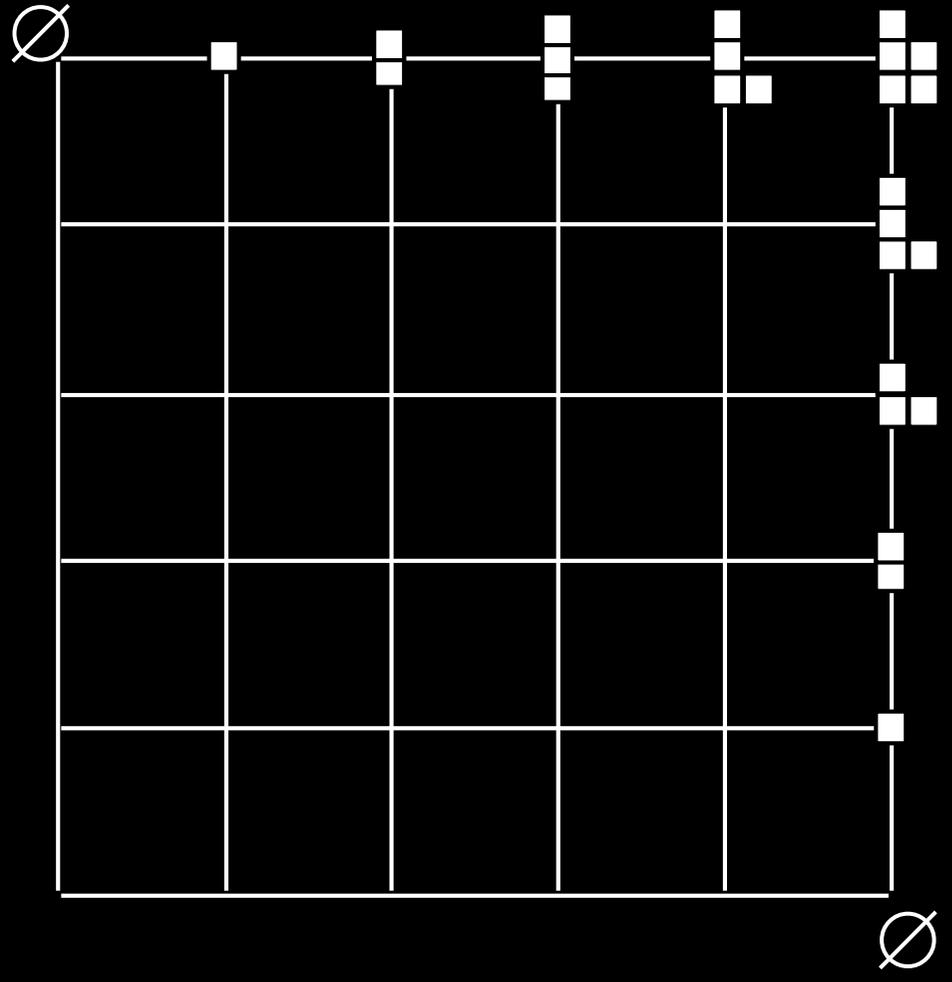
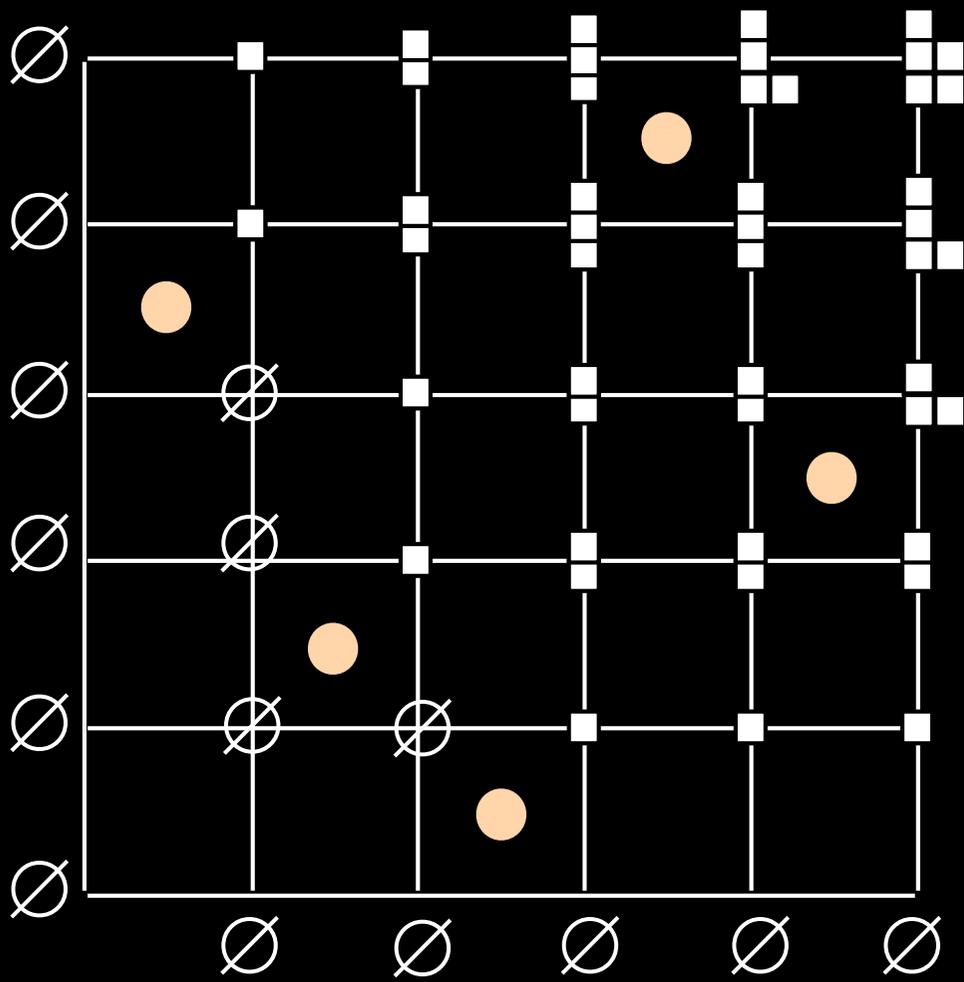


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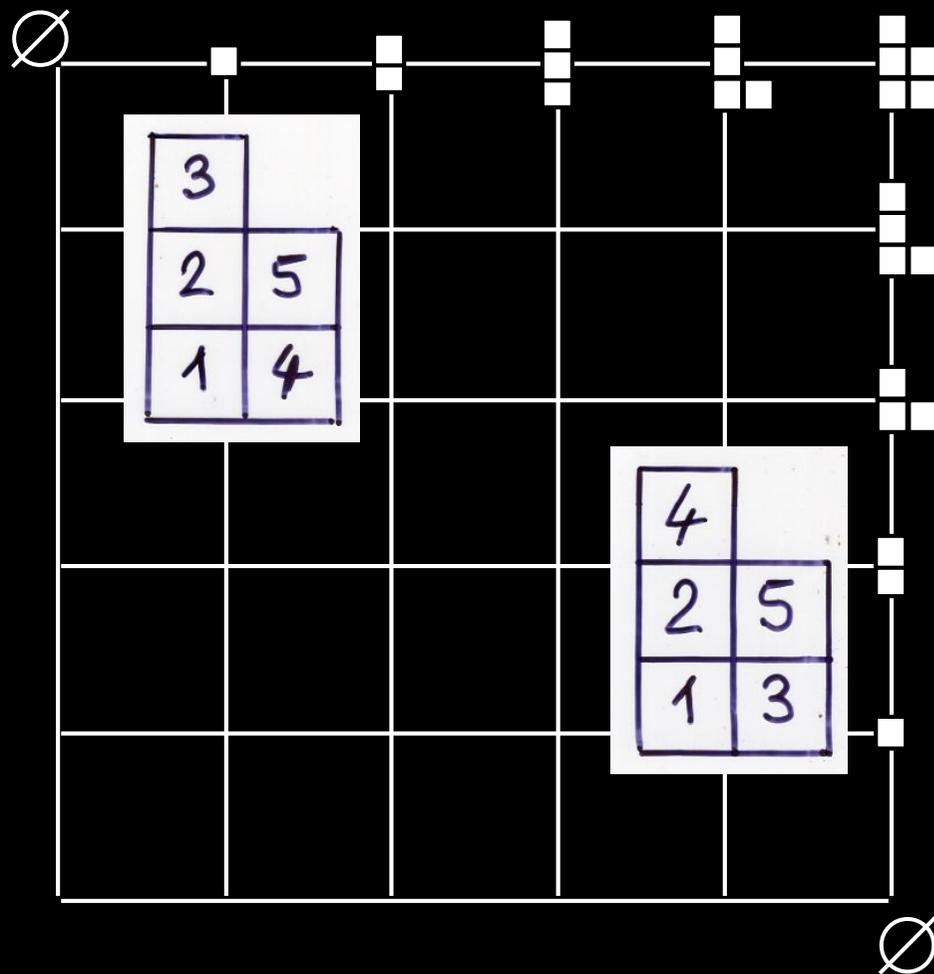
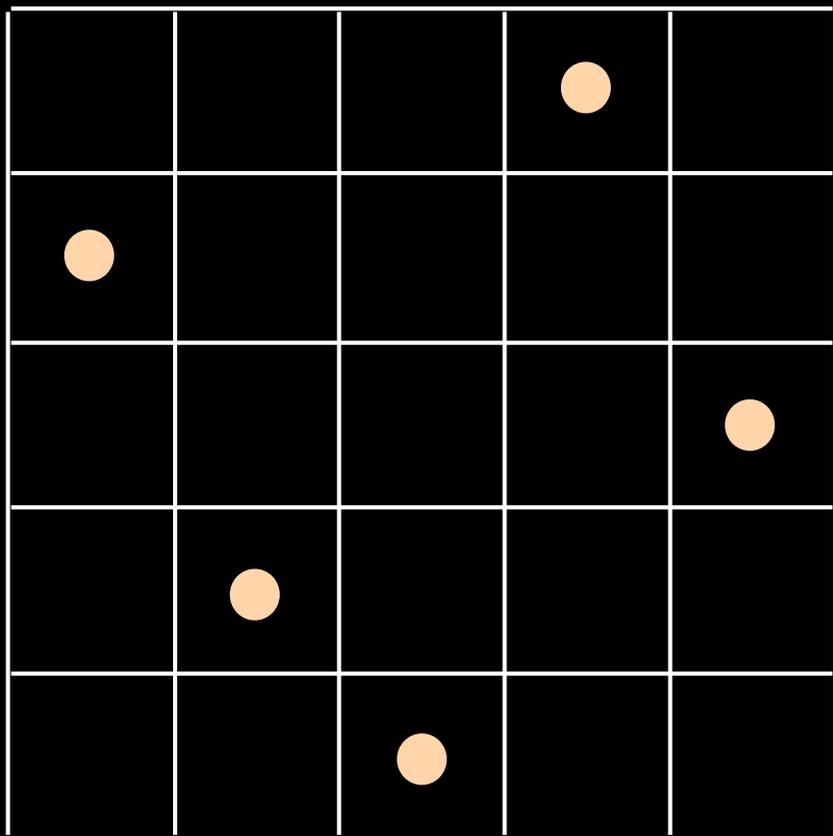
4	
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1	3

- in the last row and last column of the grid $[n] \times [n]$, we get maximal chains of Ferrers diagrams

- these maximal chains encode a pair (P, Q) of Young tableaux having the same shape



● the algorithm can be reversed :
 from the pair (P, Q) , get back
 the permutation

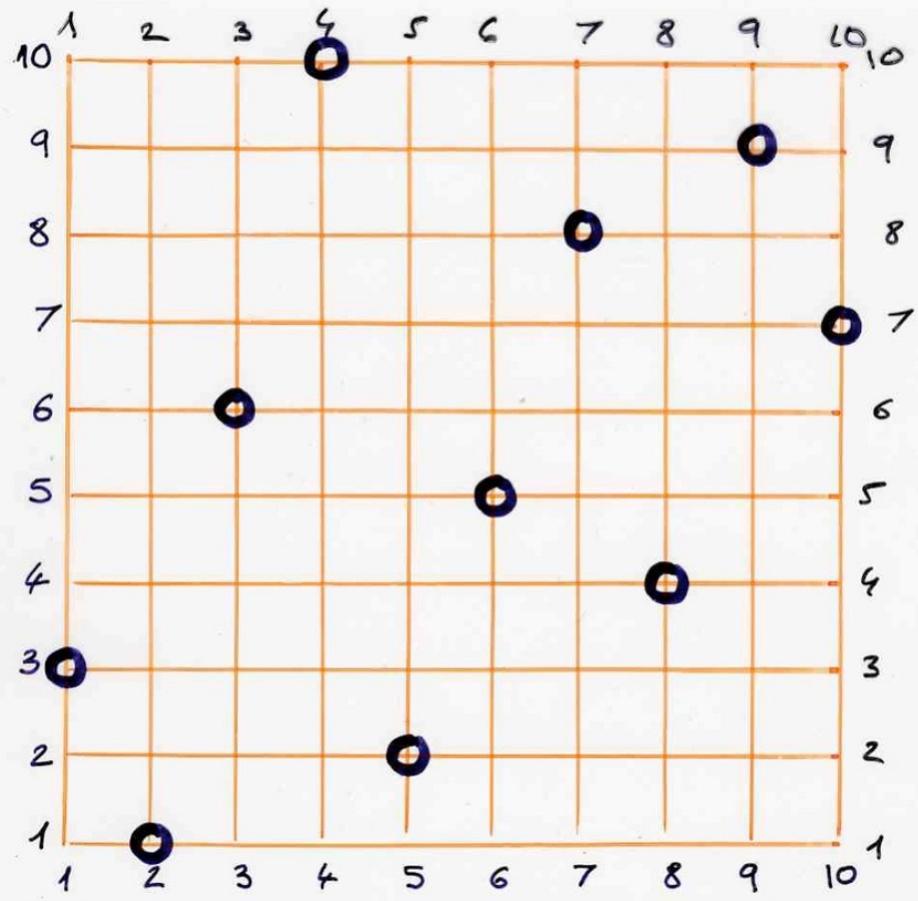


- this *bijection* is the same as the *Robinson-Schensted* correspondence

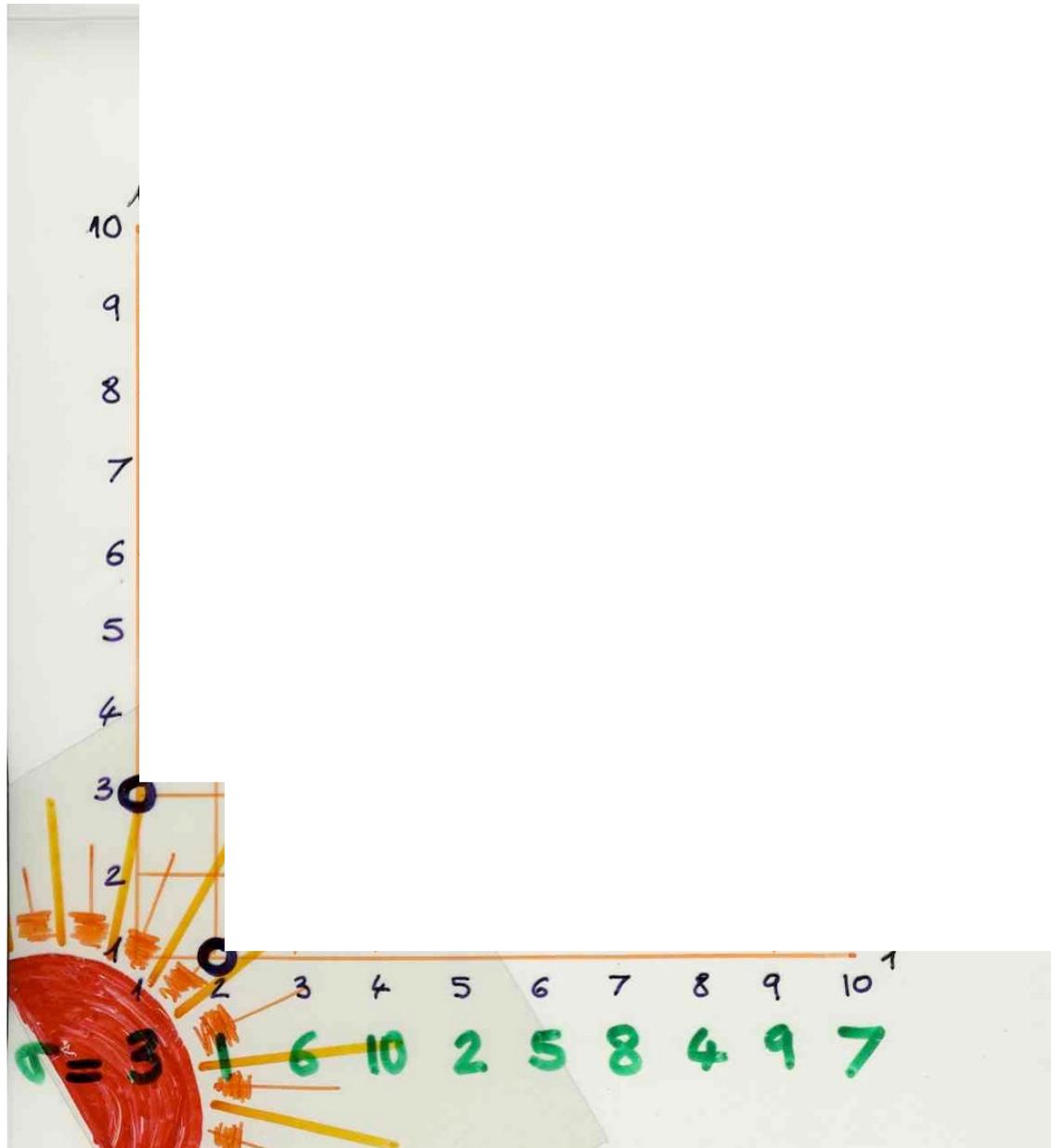
proof of the equivalence
local RS and geometric RS

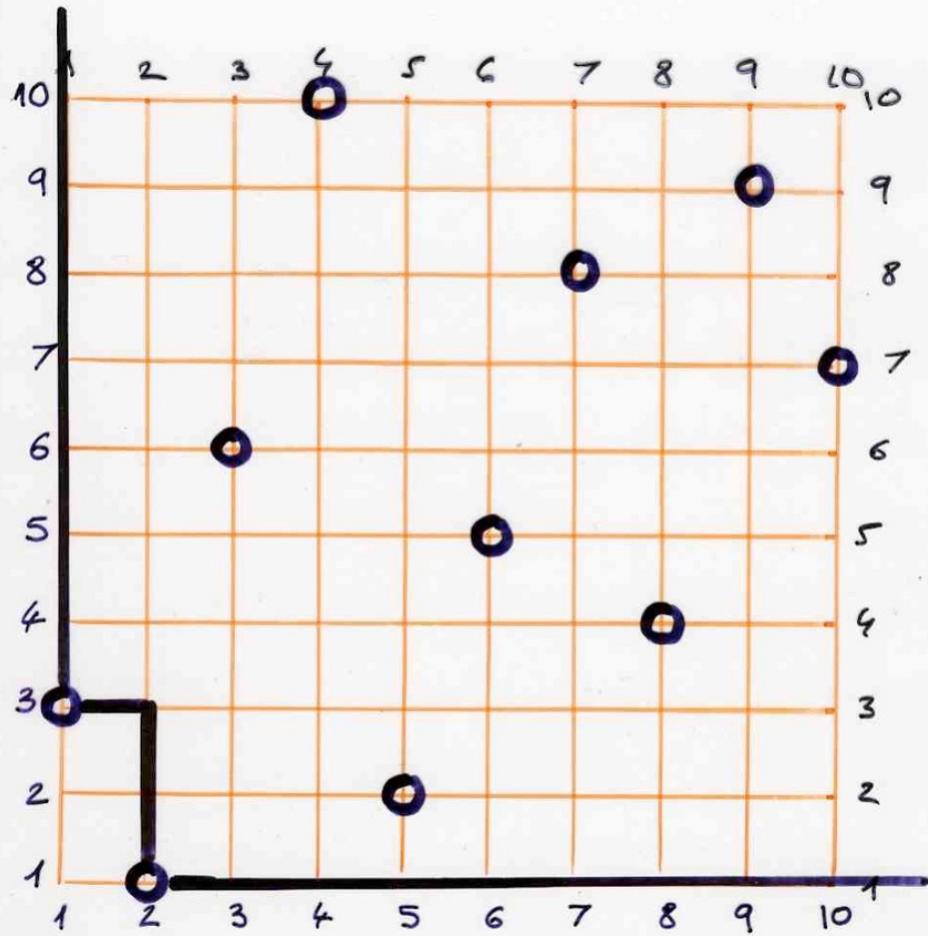
Recalling the geometric version of RS
with “light” and “shadow lines” (see Ch1a)



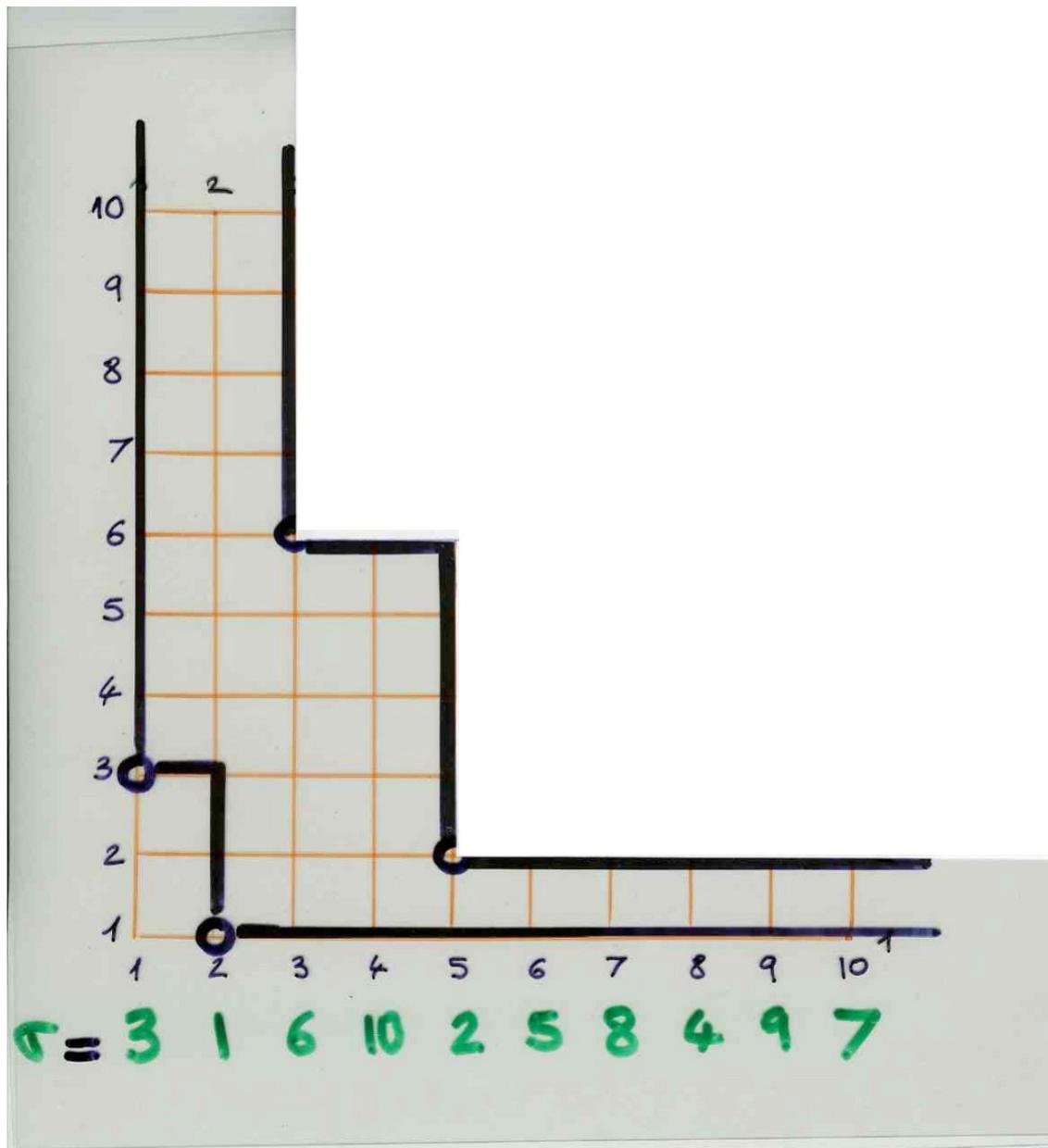


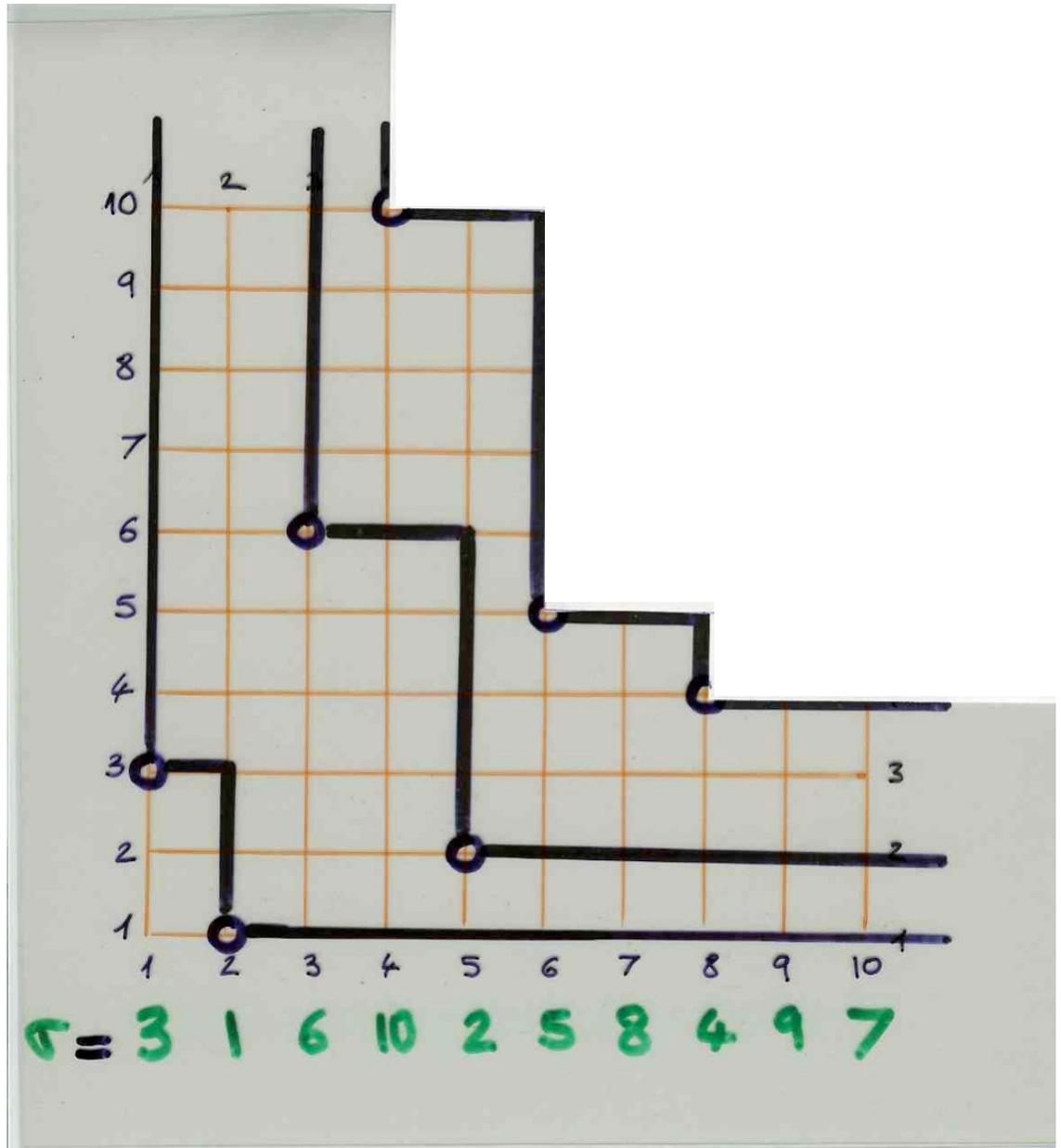
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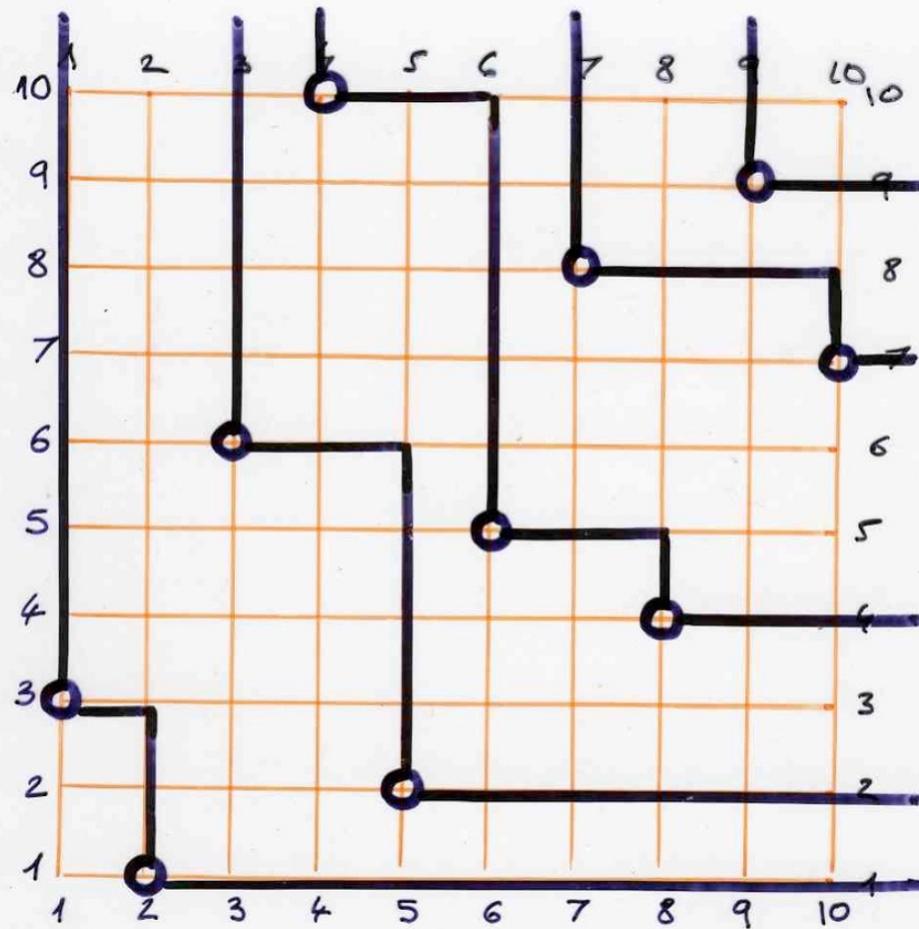


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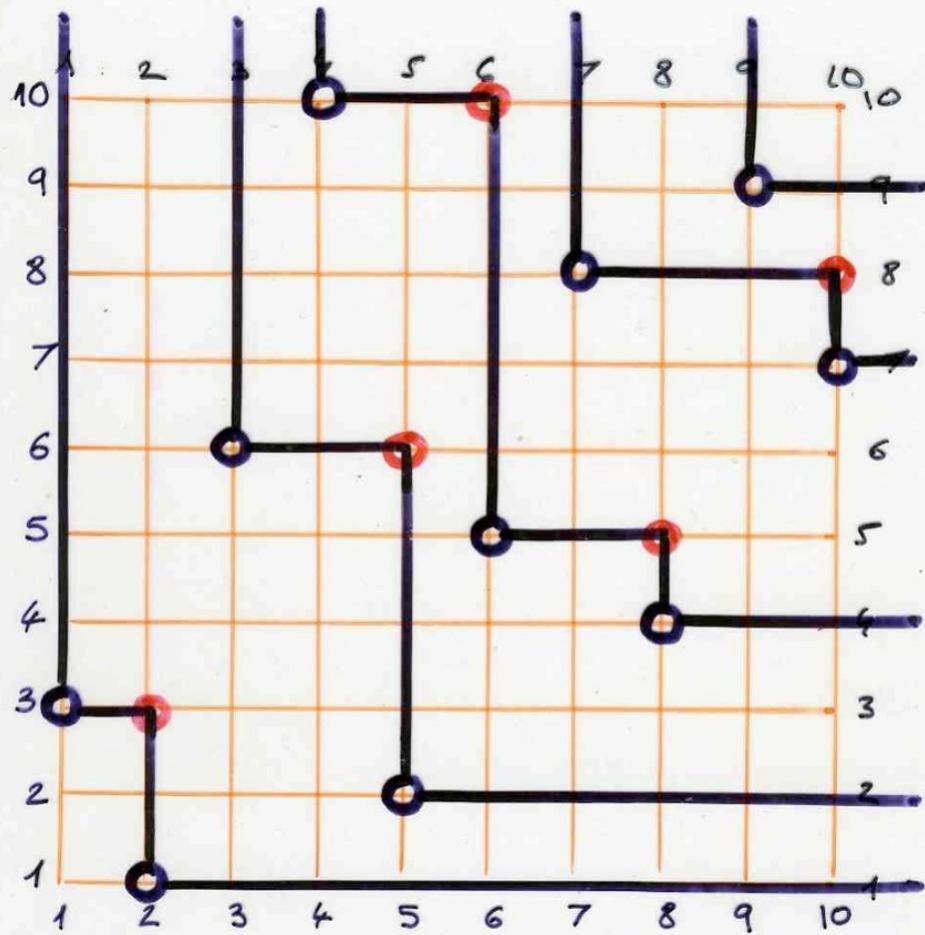




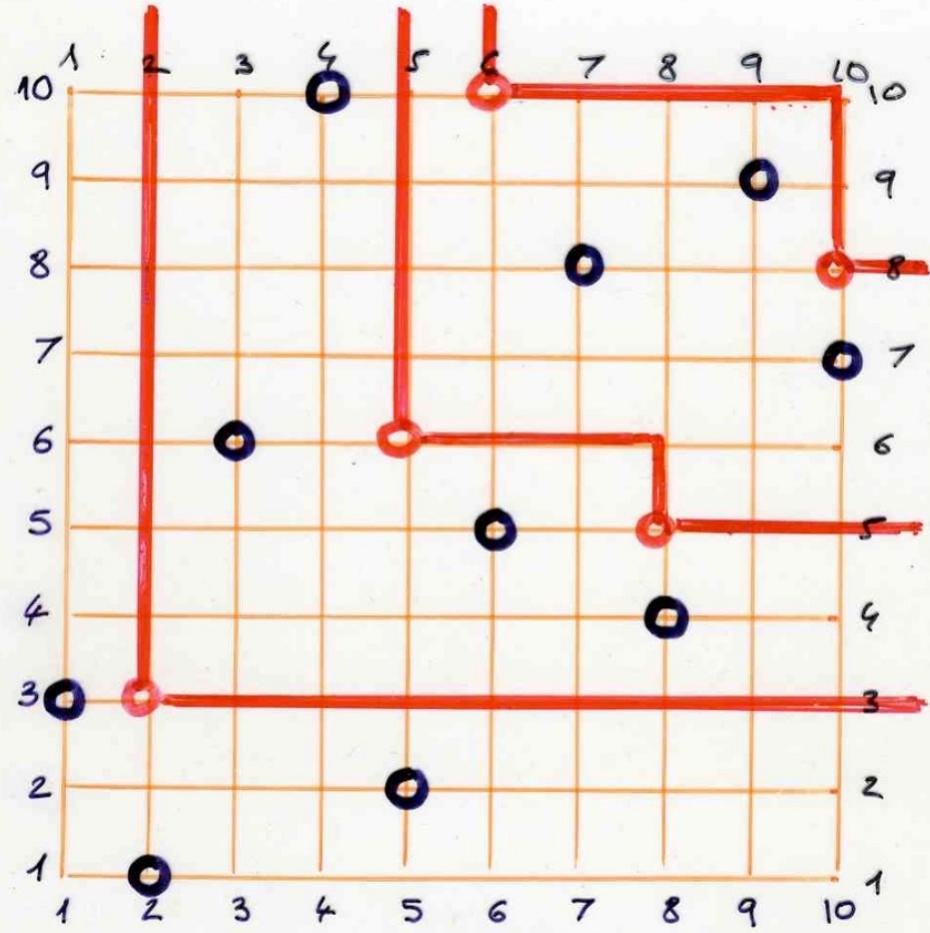
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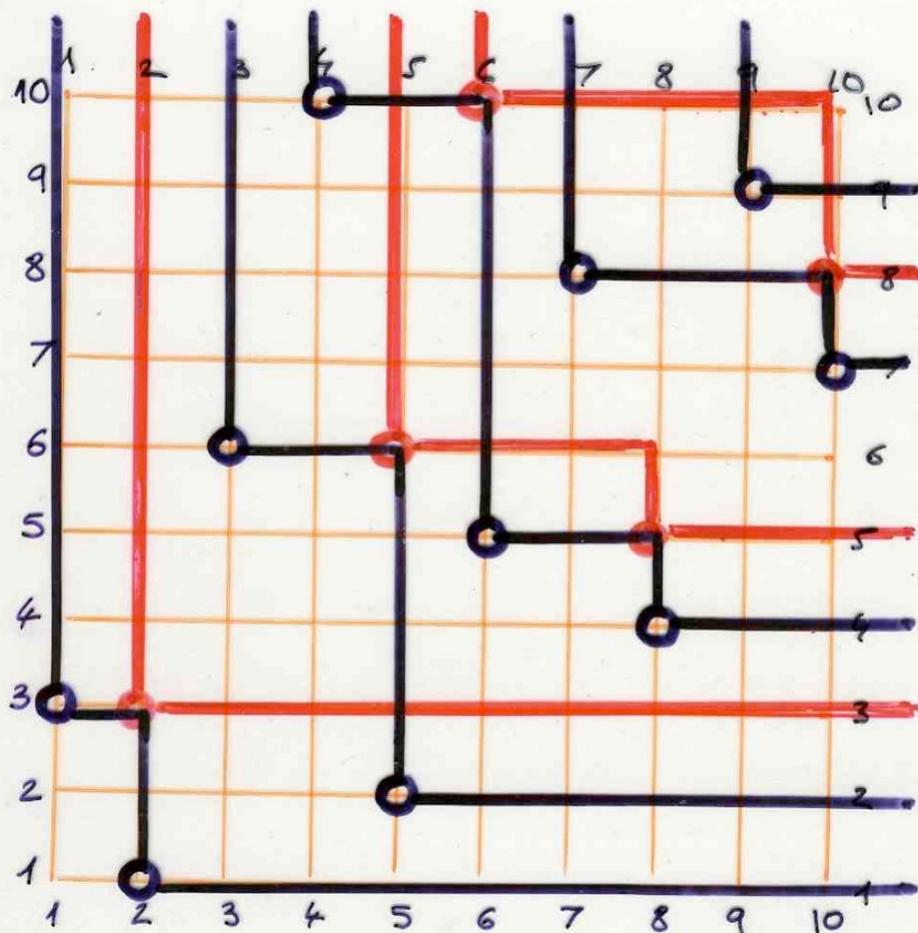
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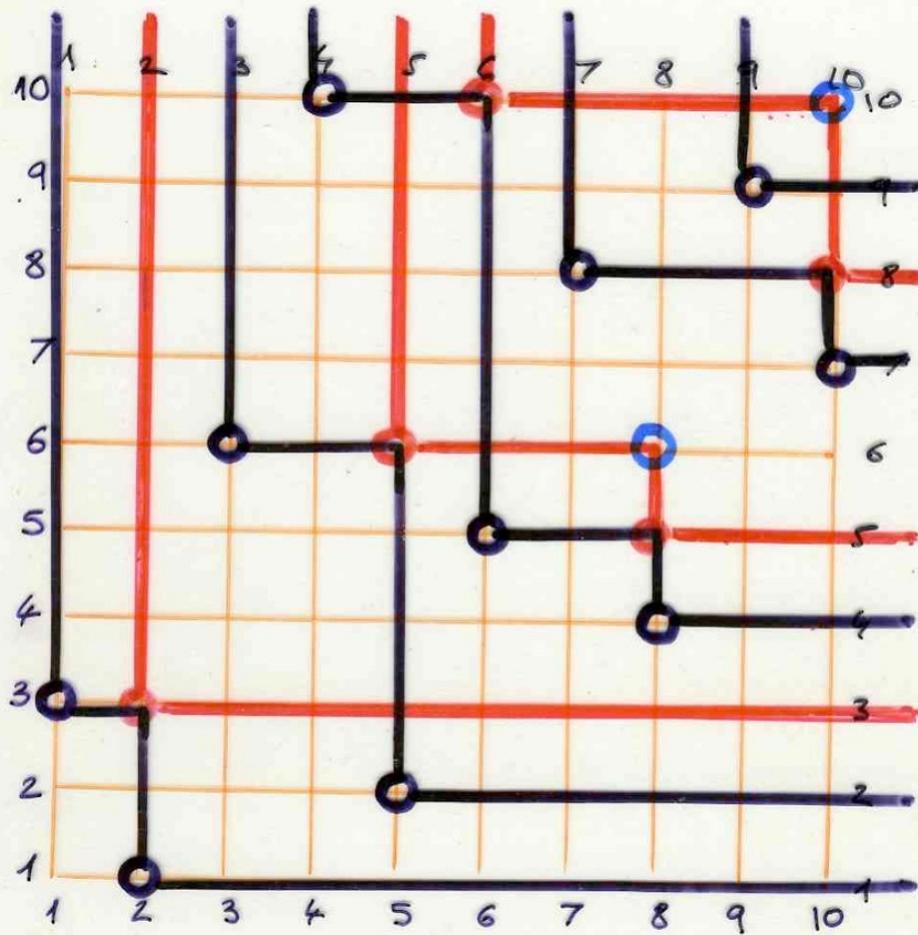
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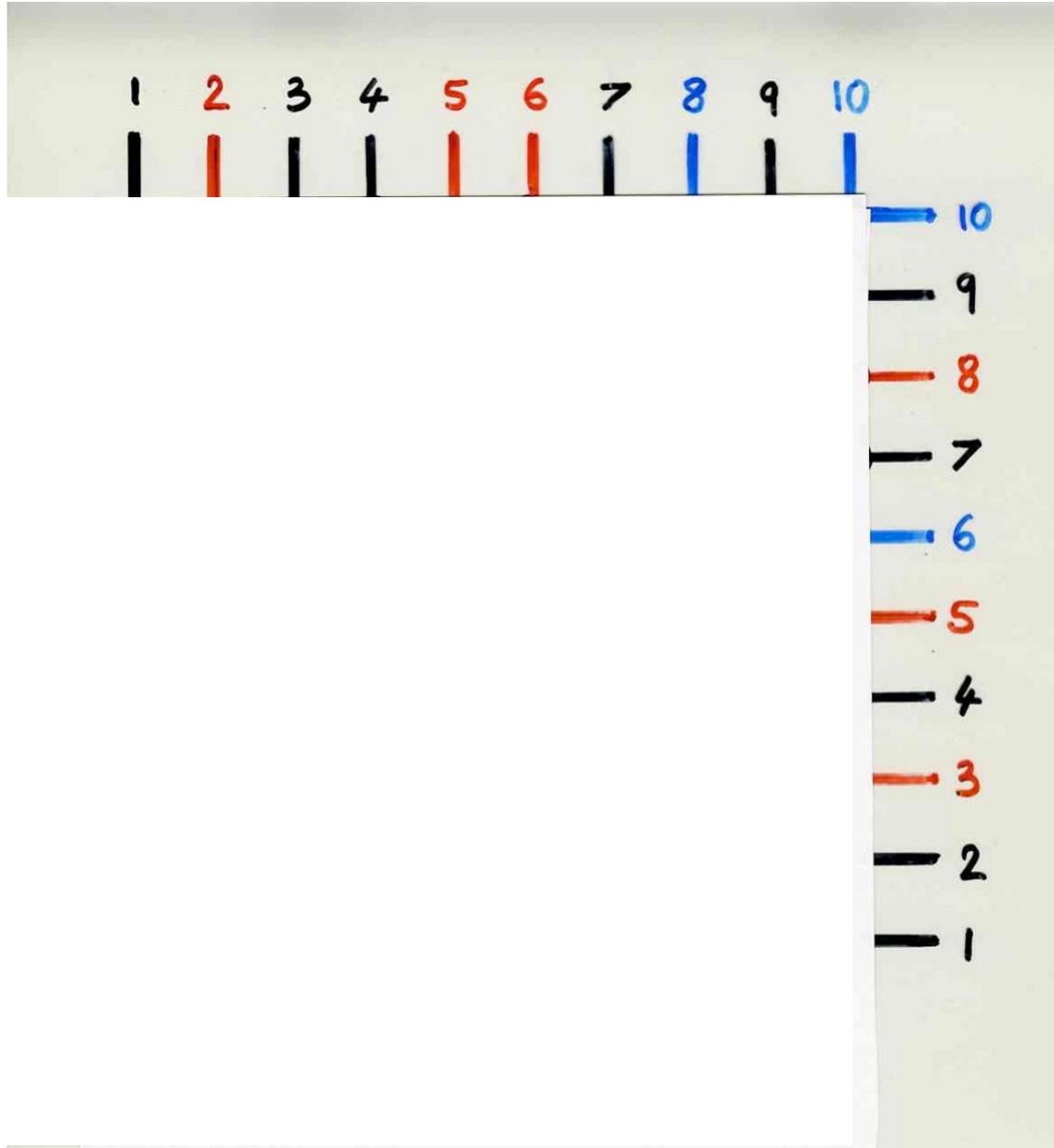
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8	10			
2	5	6		
1	3	4	7	9

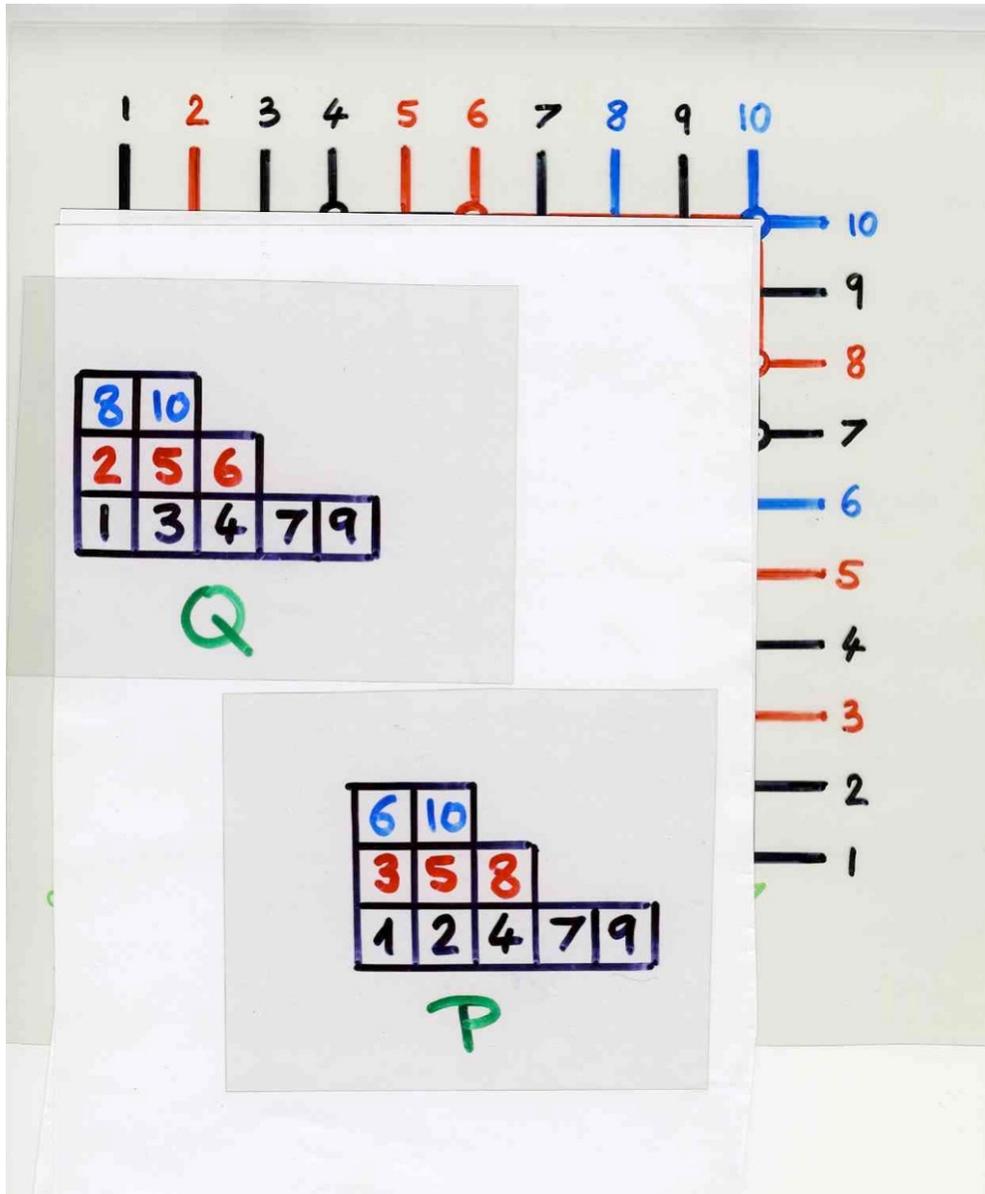
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6	10			
3	5	8		
1	2	4	7	9

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geometric version
with
"light" and "shadow"



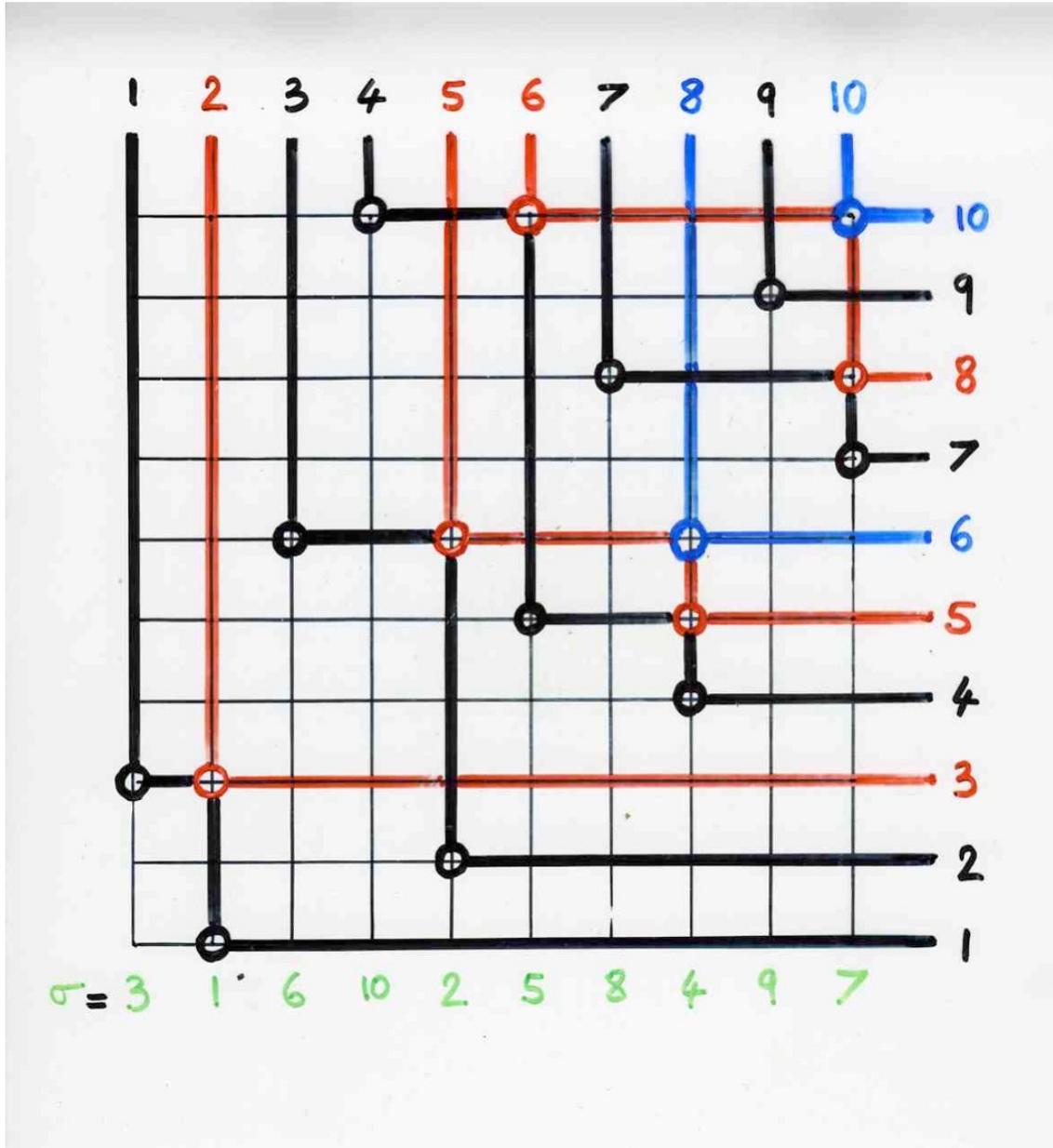
Schensted's insertions

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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8	10				
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1	3	4	7	9	

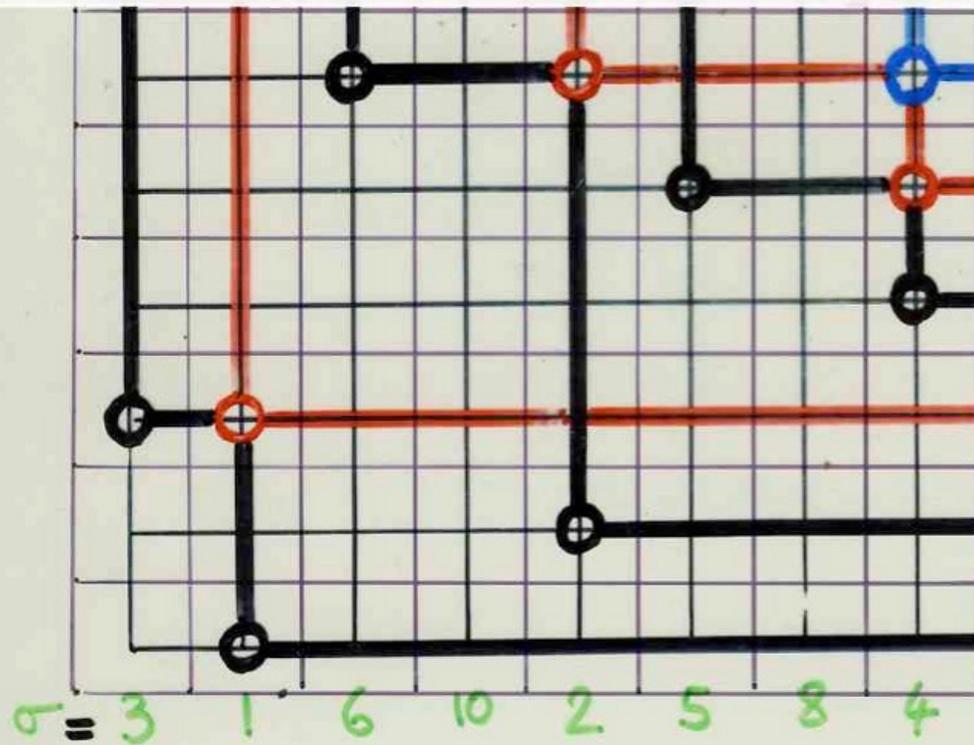
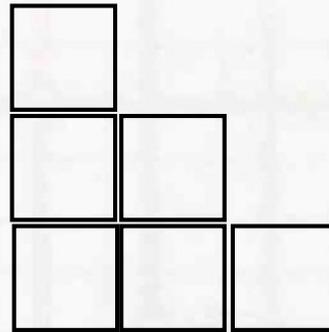
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proof of the equivalence
local RS and geometric RS



For any vertex of the grid translated by $1/2$ we define a Ferrers diagram in the following way

We get a tableau of
Ferrers diagrams



I claim that this tableau
is the same as the one we
get from the local rule
algorithm

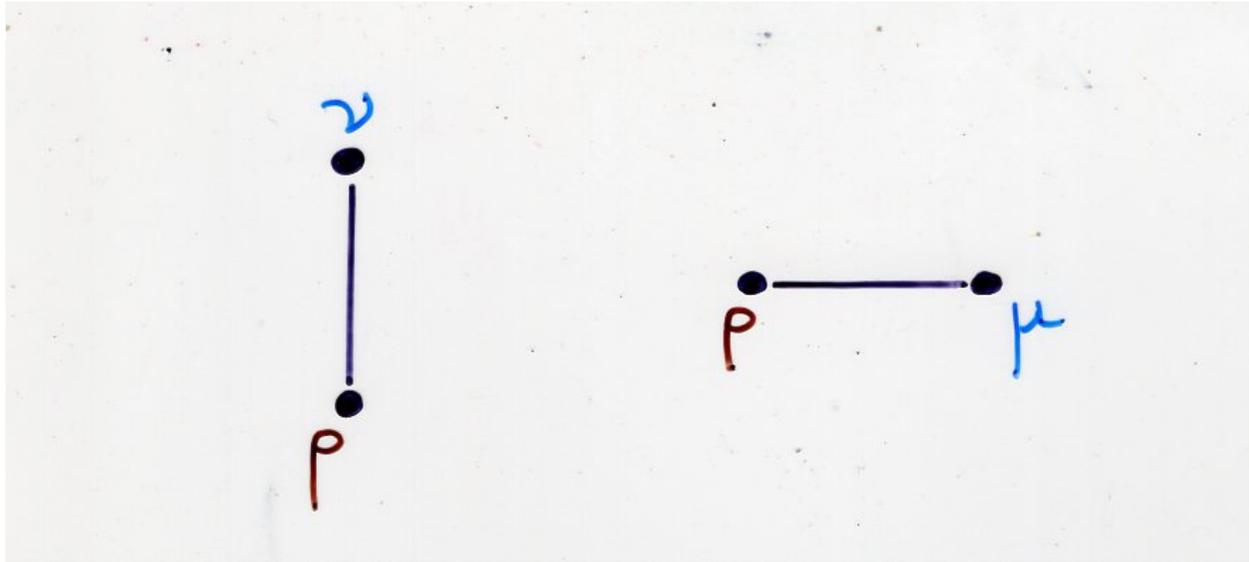
- label the first set of "shadow lines"
of the permutation σ by ①
(black lines on the figure)

- then by ② the second set,
i.e. the "shadow lines" of the skeleton
 $Sq(\sigma)$
(the red lines)

- etc, - ③ the blue lines
of $Sq(Sq(\sigma))$

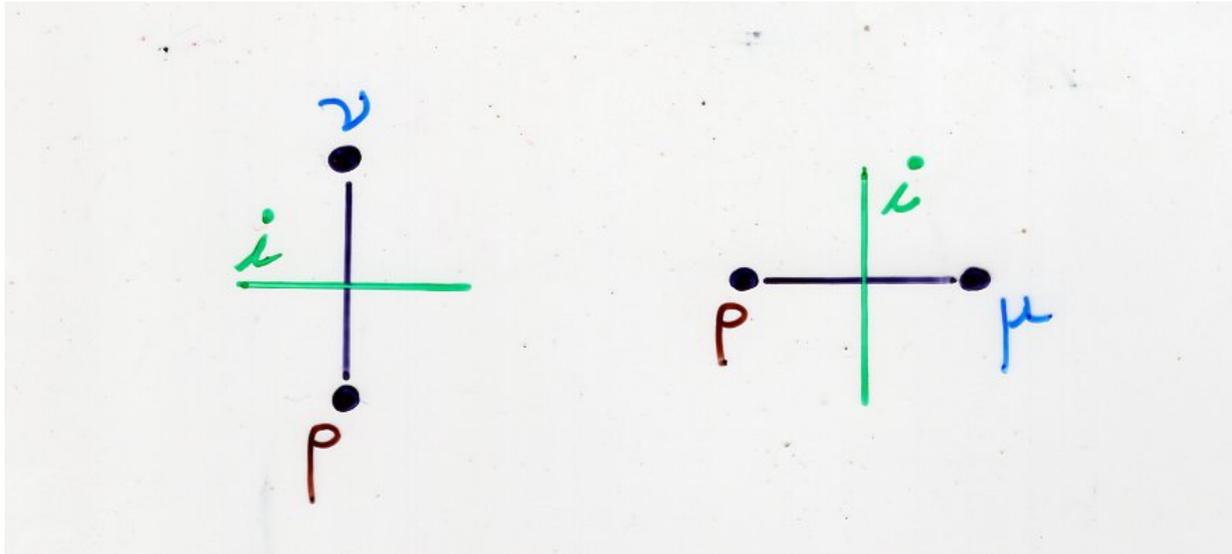
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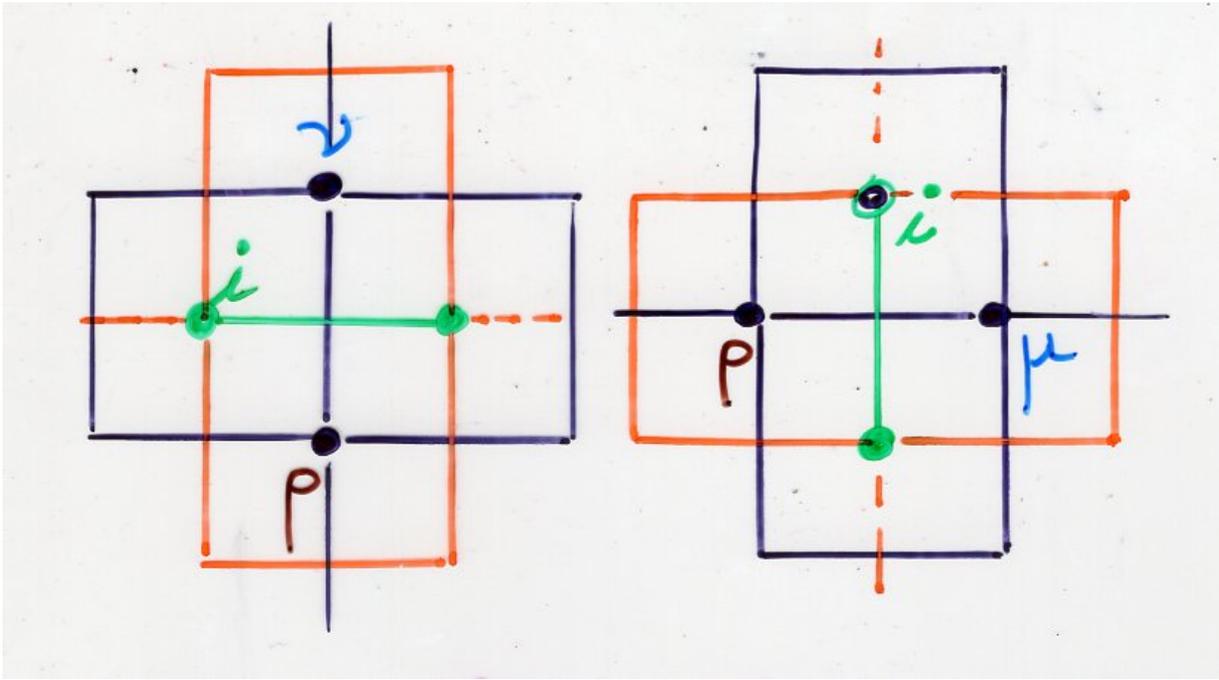
if no shadow lines
are crossing, then

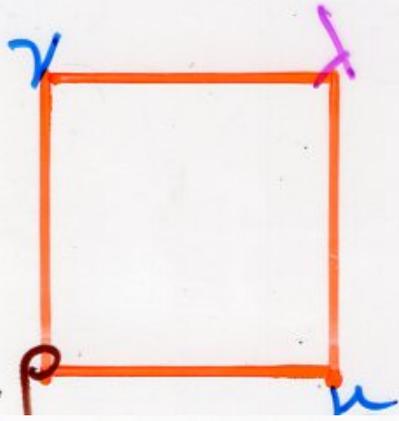
$$\nu = \rho$$



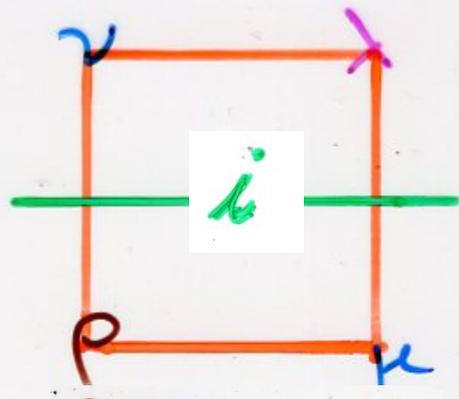
if a shadow line with label i is crossing, then

$$\mu \downarrow v = p + (i)$$



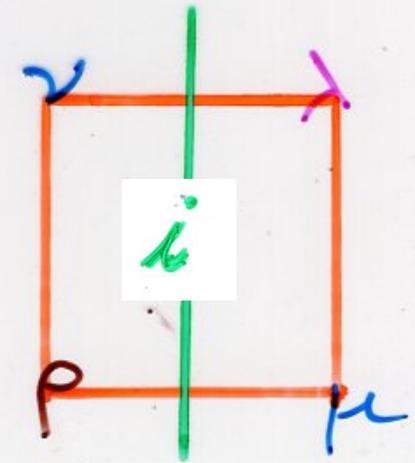


$$\lambda = \rho = \mu = \nu$$



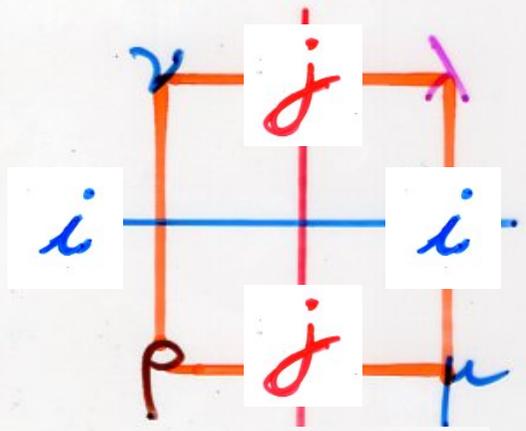
$$\rho = \mu$$

$$\lambda = \nu = \rho + (i)$$



$$\rho = \nu$$

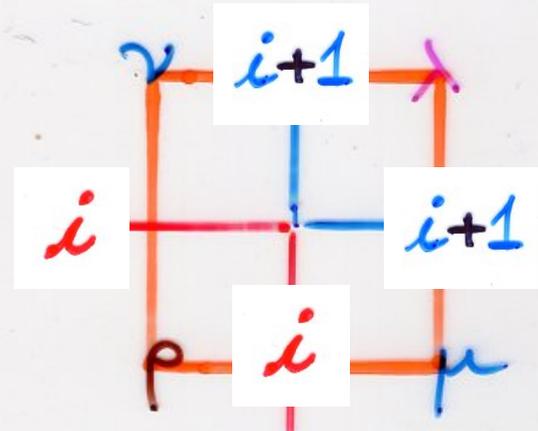
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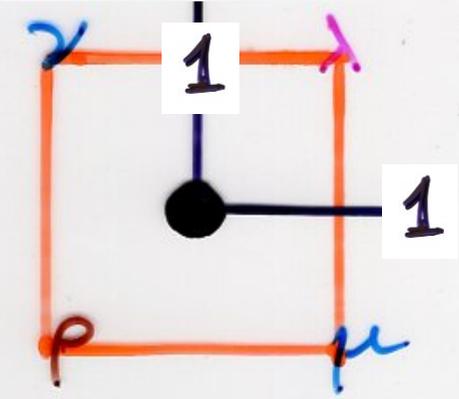
$$\mu = \rho + (j)$$

$$\lambda = \rho + (i) + (j)$$

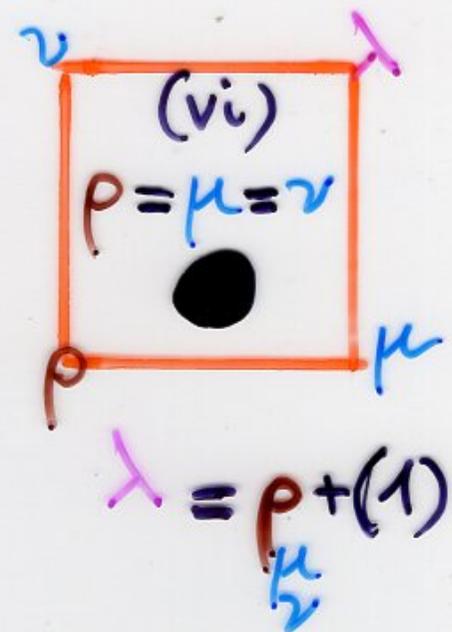
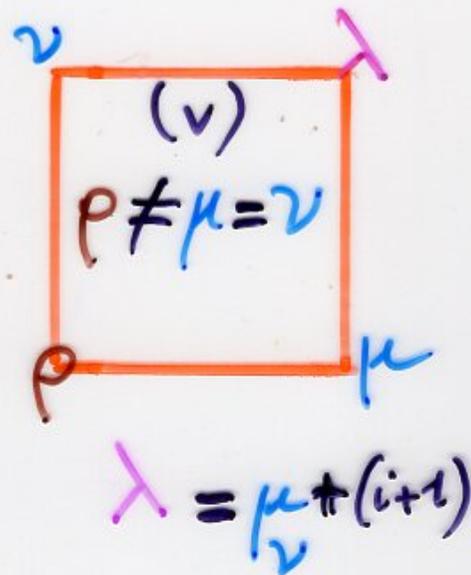
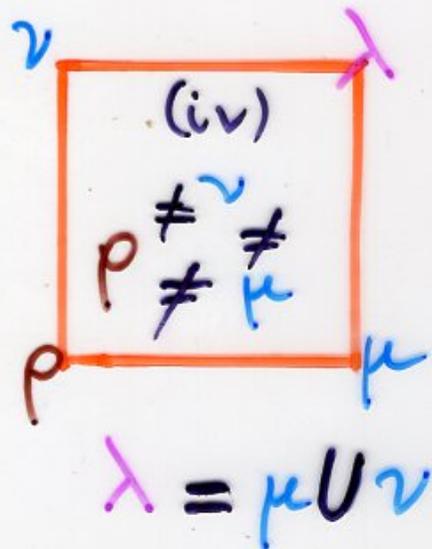
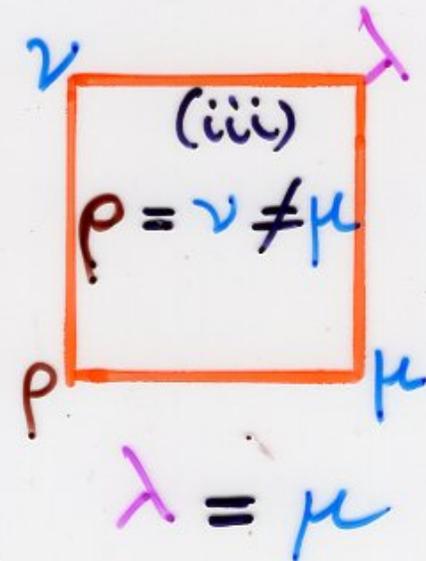
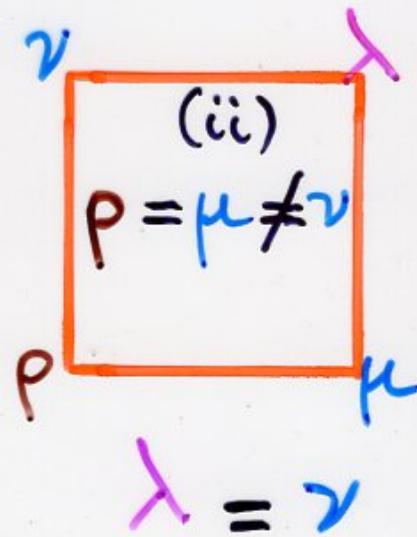
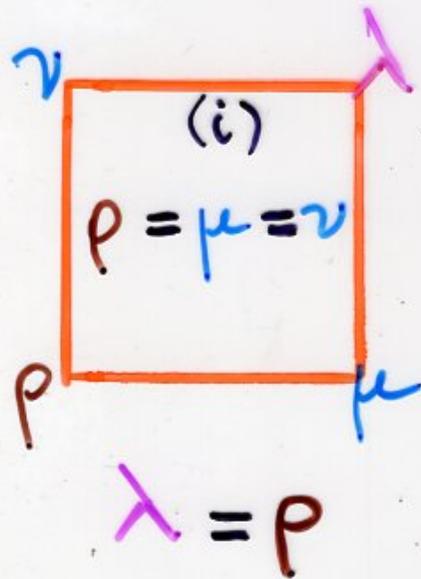


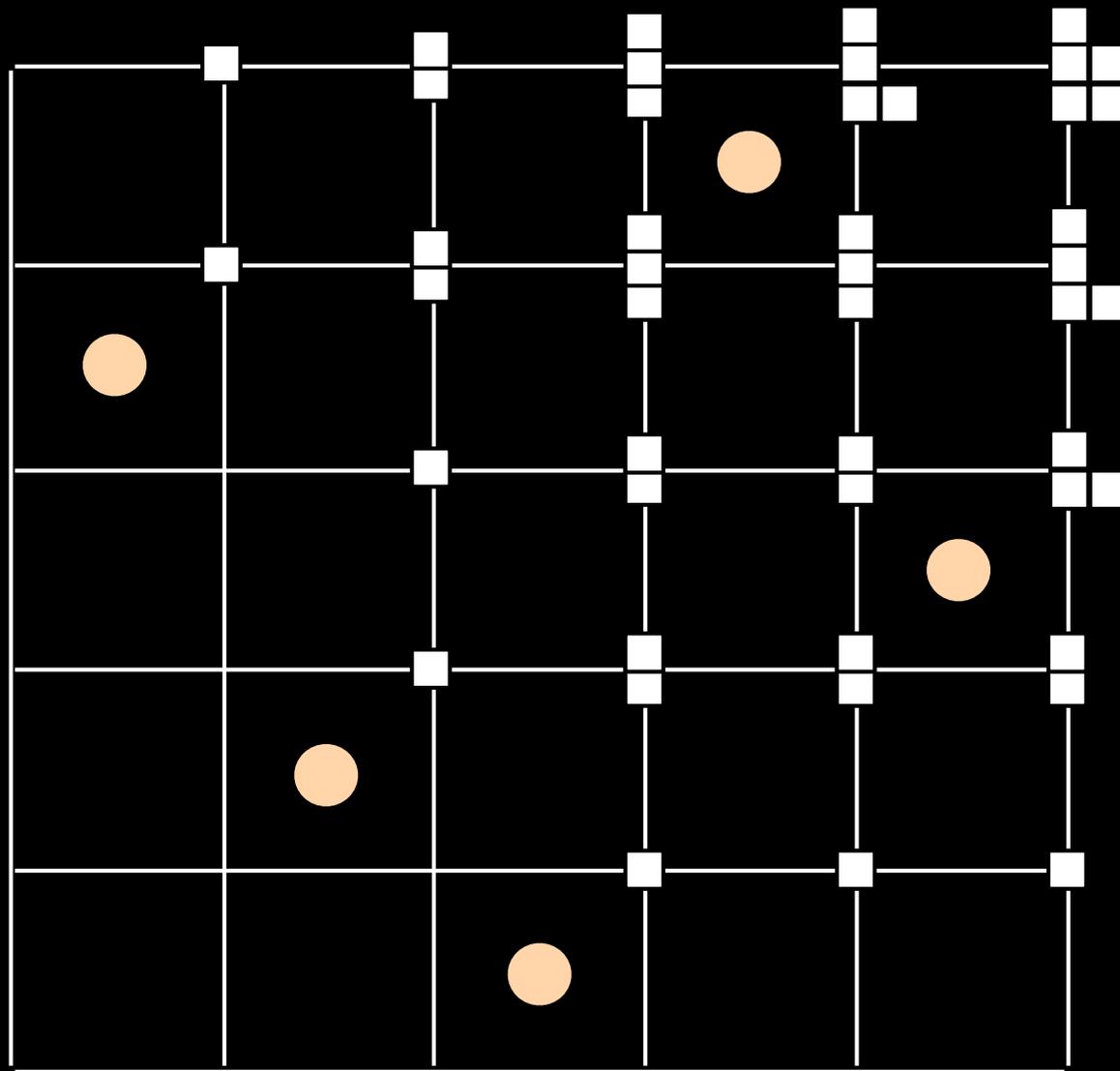
$$\mu = \nu = \rho + (i)$$

$$\lambda = \mu + (i+1)$$

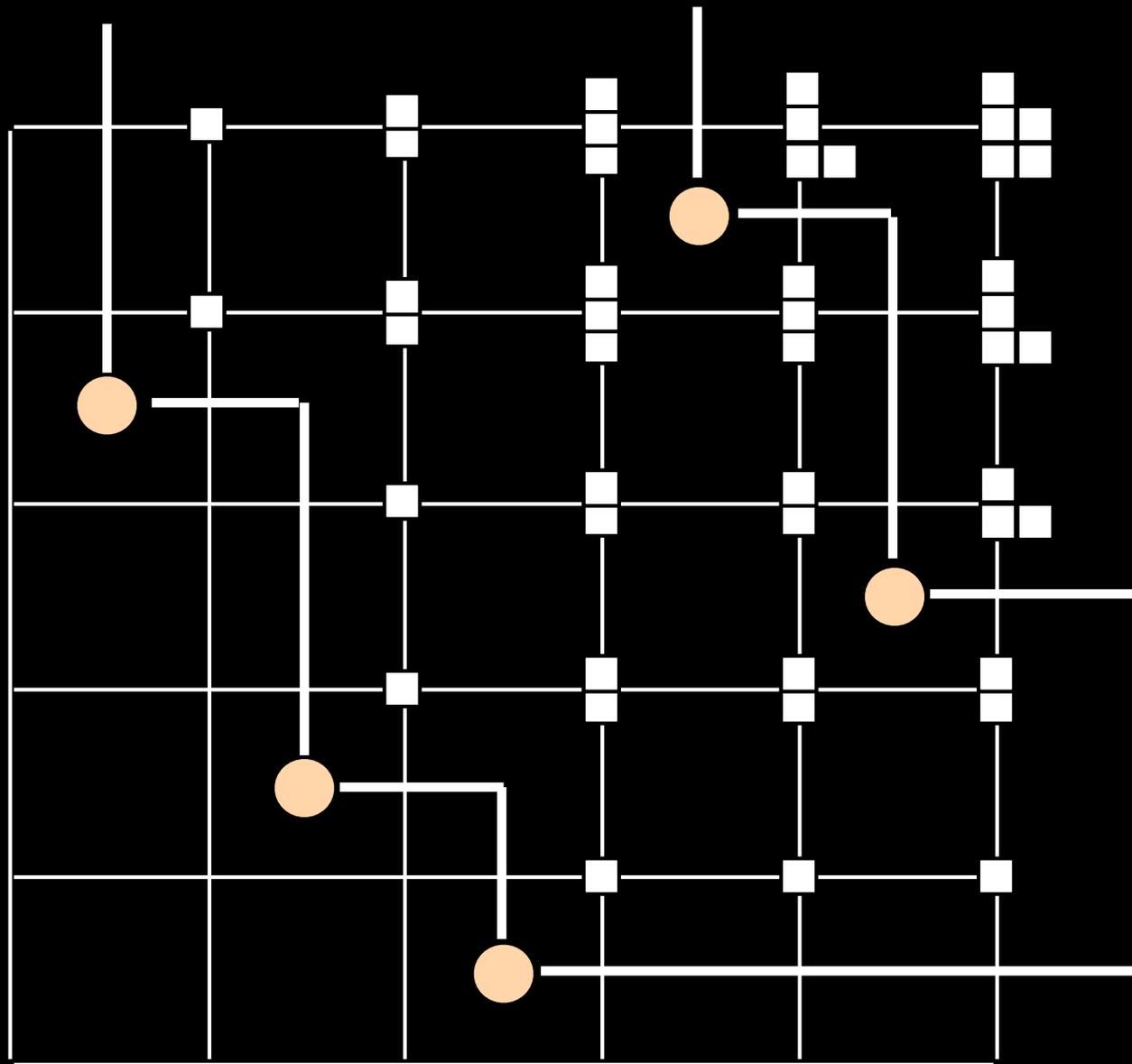


$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \rho \\ \mu + (1) \\ \nu \end{cases}$$

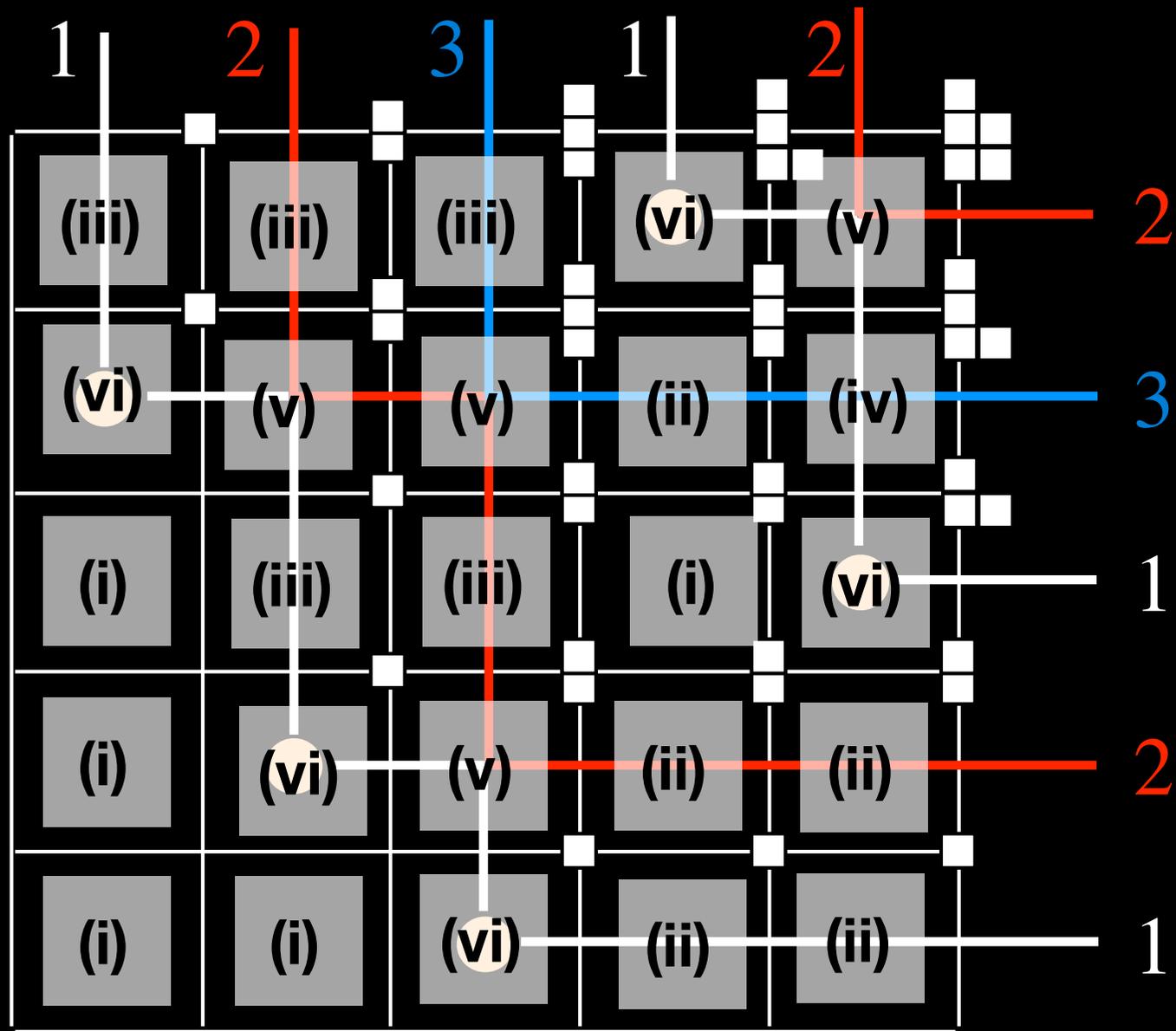




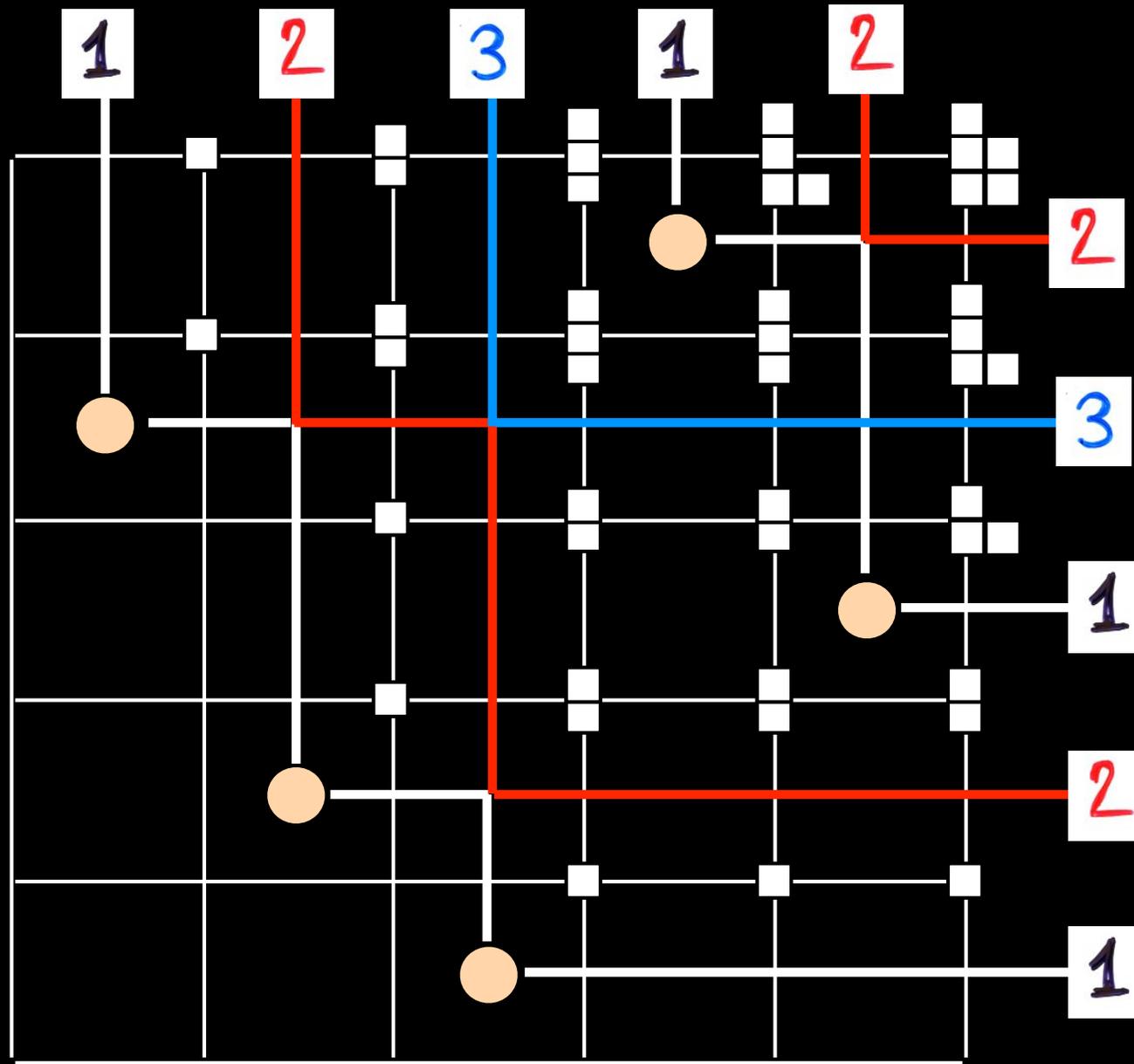
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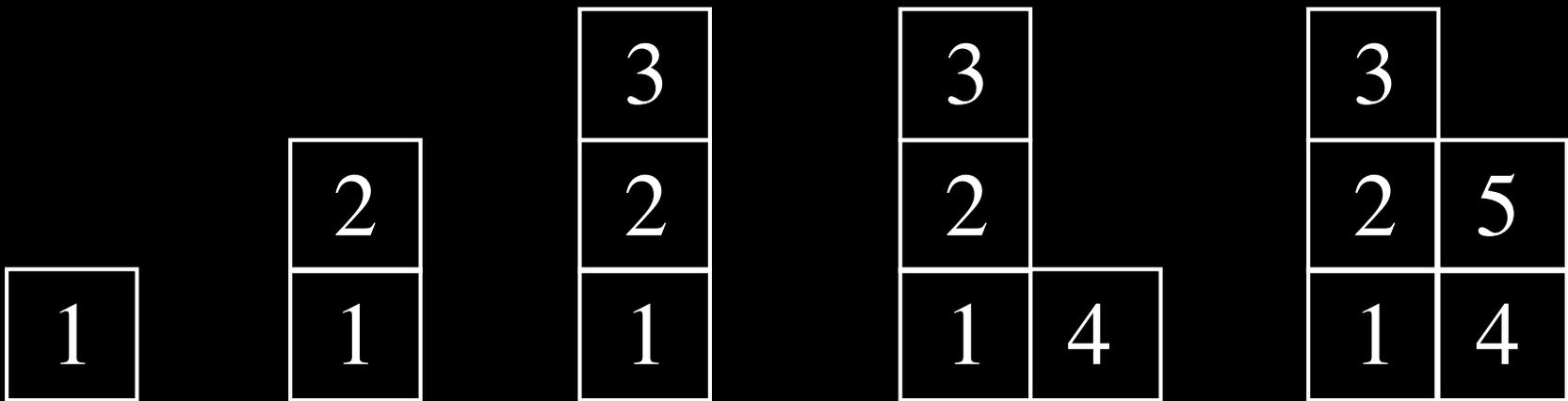
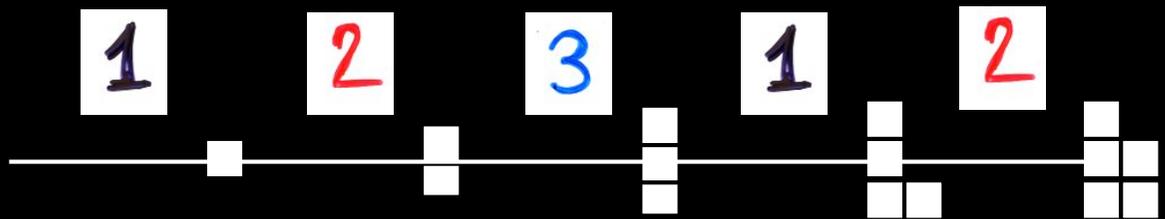


$$\sigma = 4, 2, 1, 5, 3$$



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2	5
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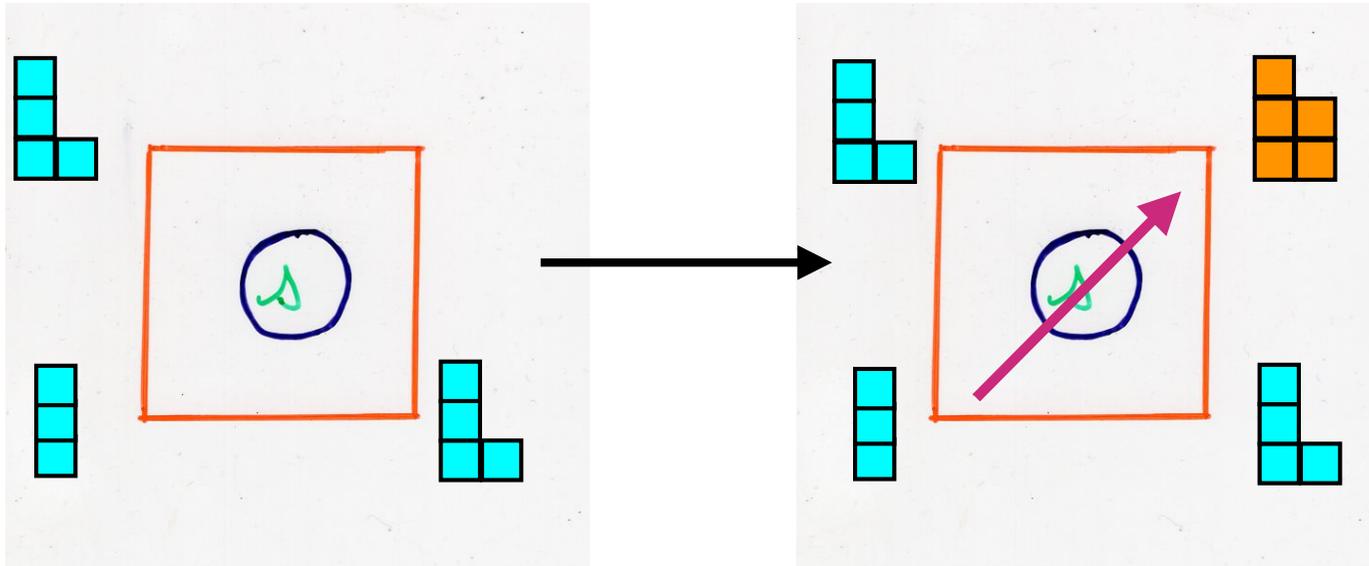
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The reverse RSK planar automaton

Fomin's

"local rules"

"growth diagrams"

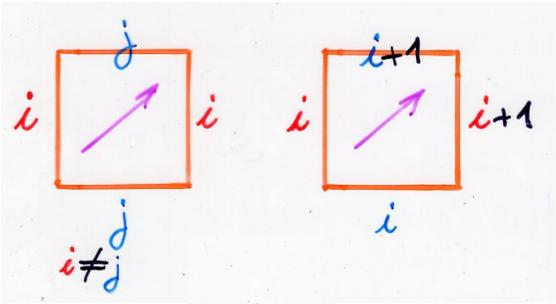
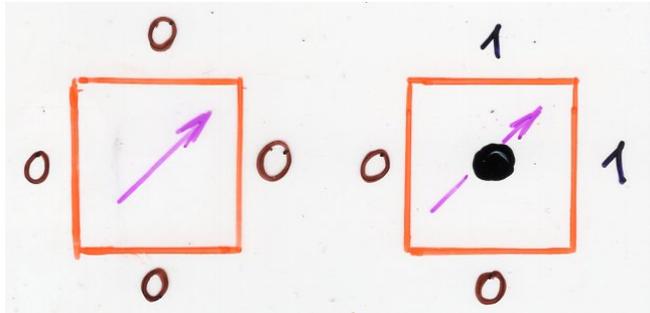


"local rules"
on the vertices

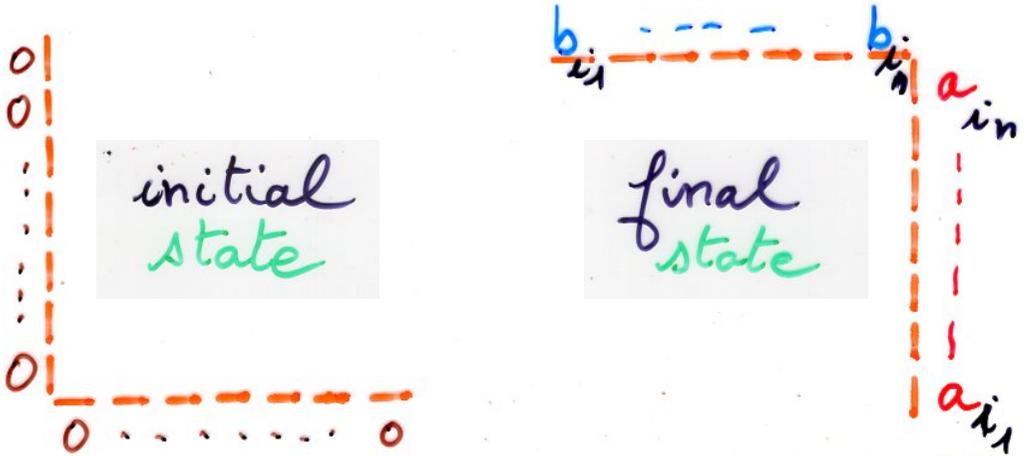
"local rules"
on the edges

state $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
state | $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

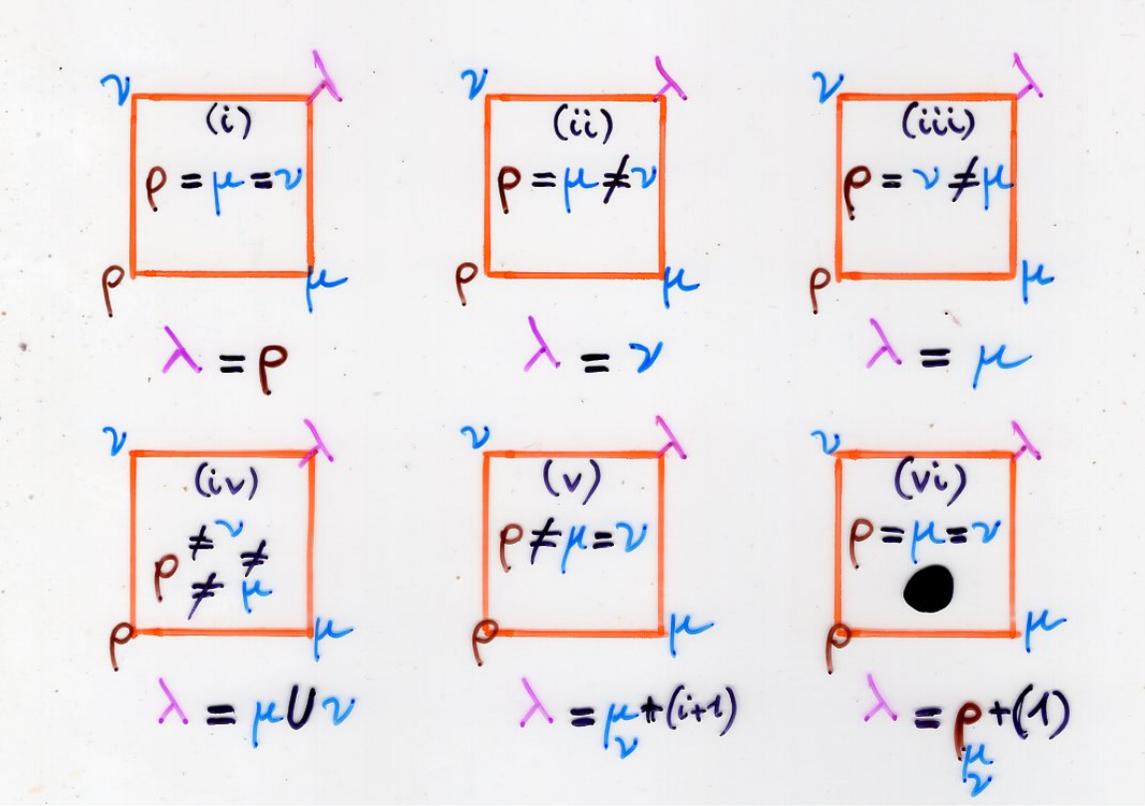
set of labels
 $L = \{\square, \blacksquare\}$



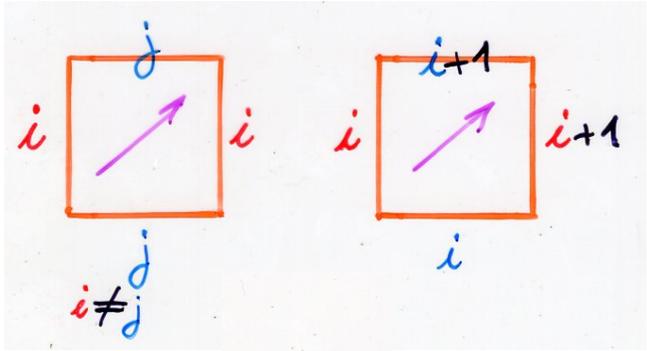
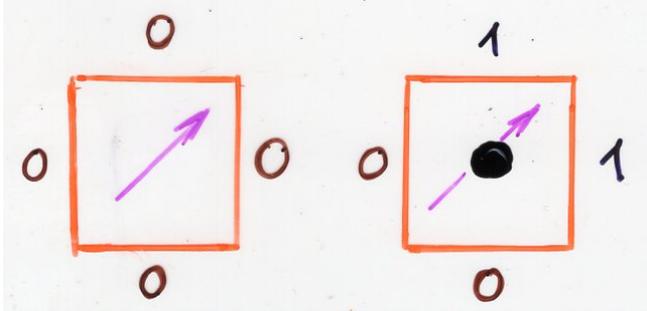
"planar
rewriting"



"local rules"
on the vertices



"local rules"
on the edges



« local rules on vertices »

Marc A. A. van Leeuwen (1996)

The Robinson-Schensted and Schützenberger algorithms, an elementary approach

C.Krattenthaler, (2006).

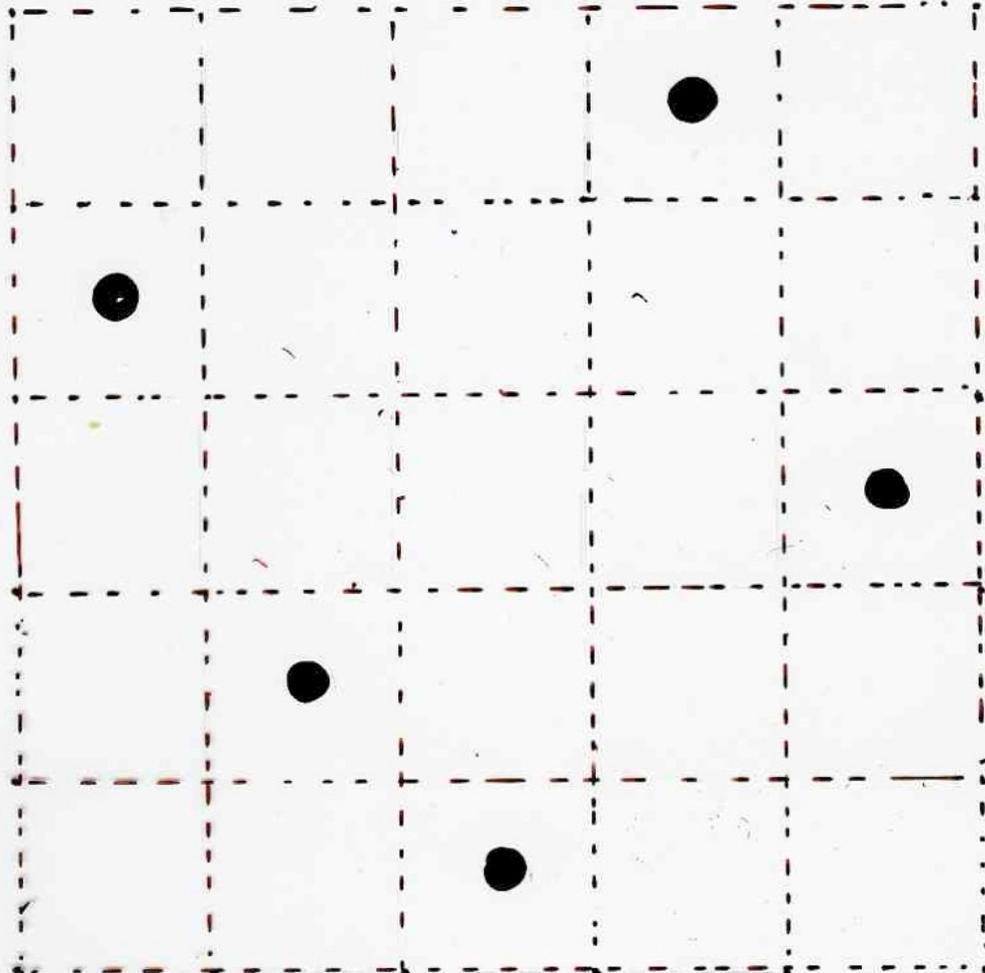
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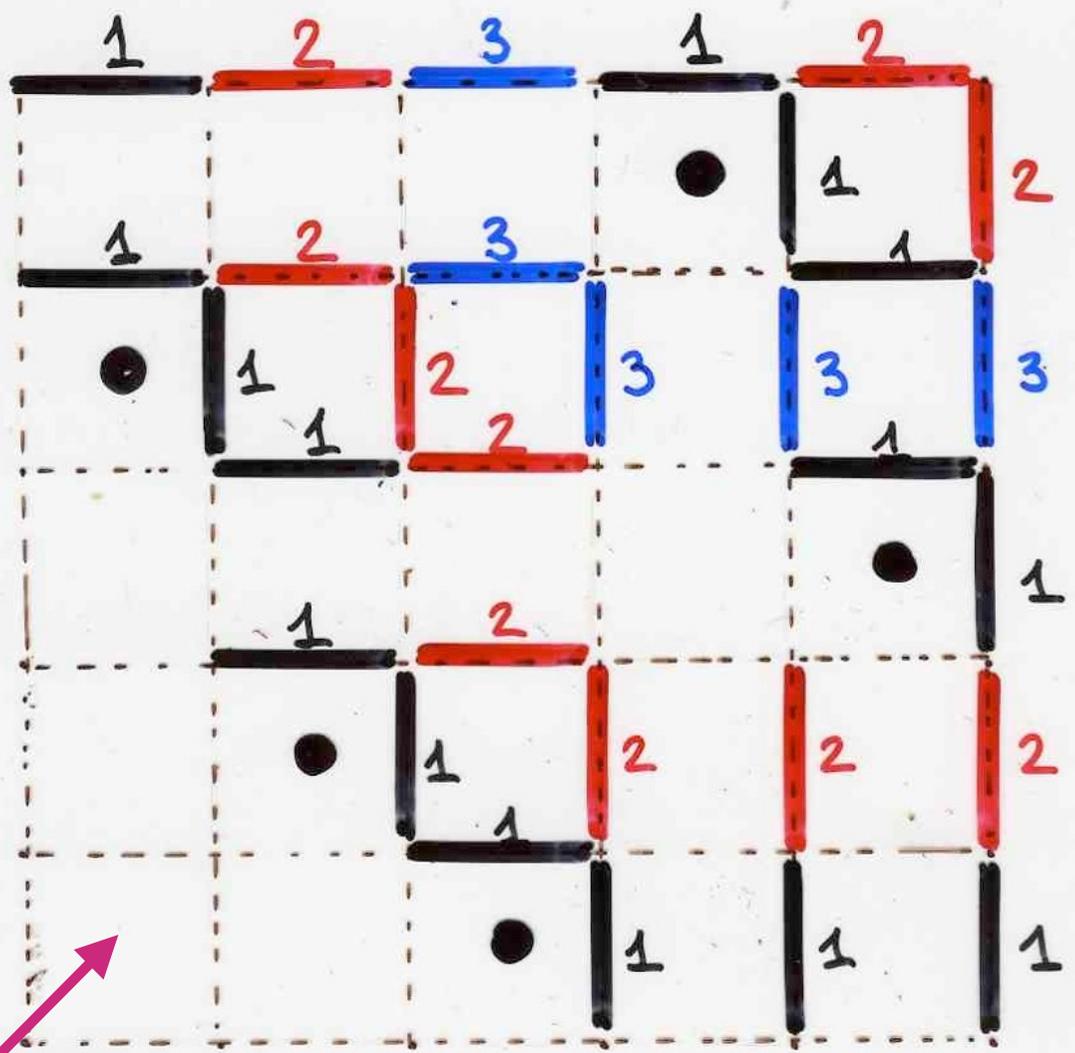
M.Rubey. (2007)

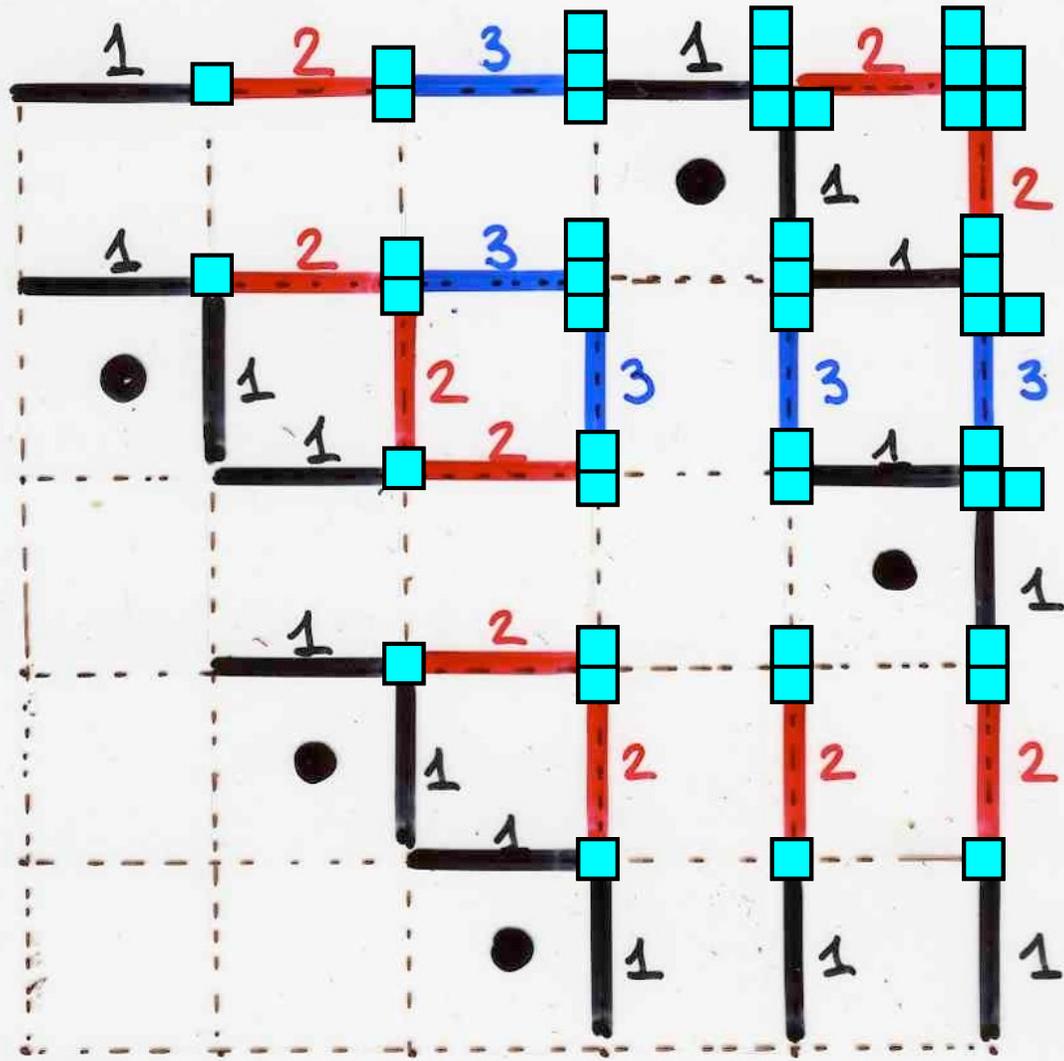
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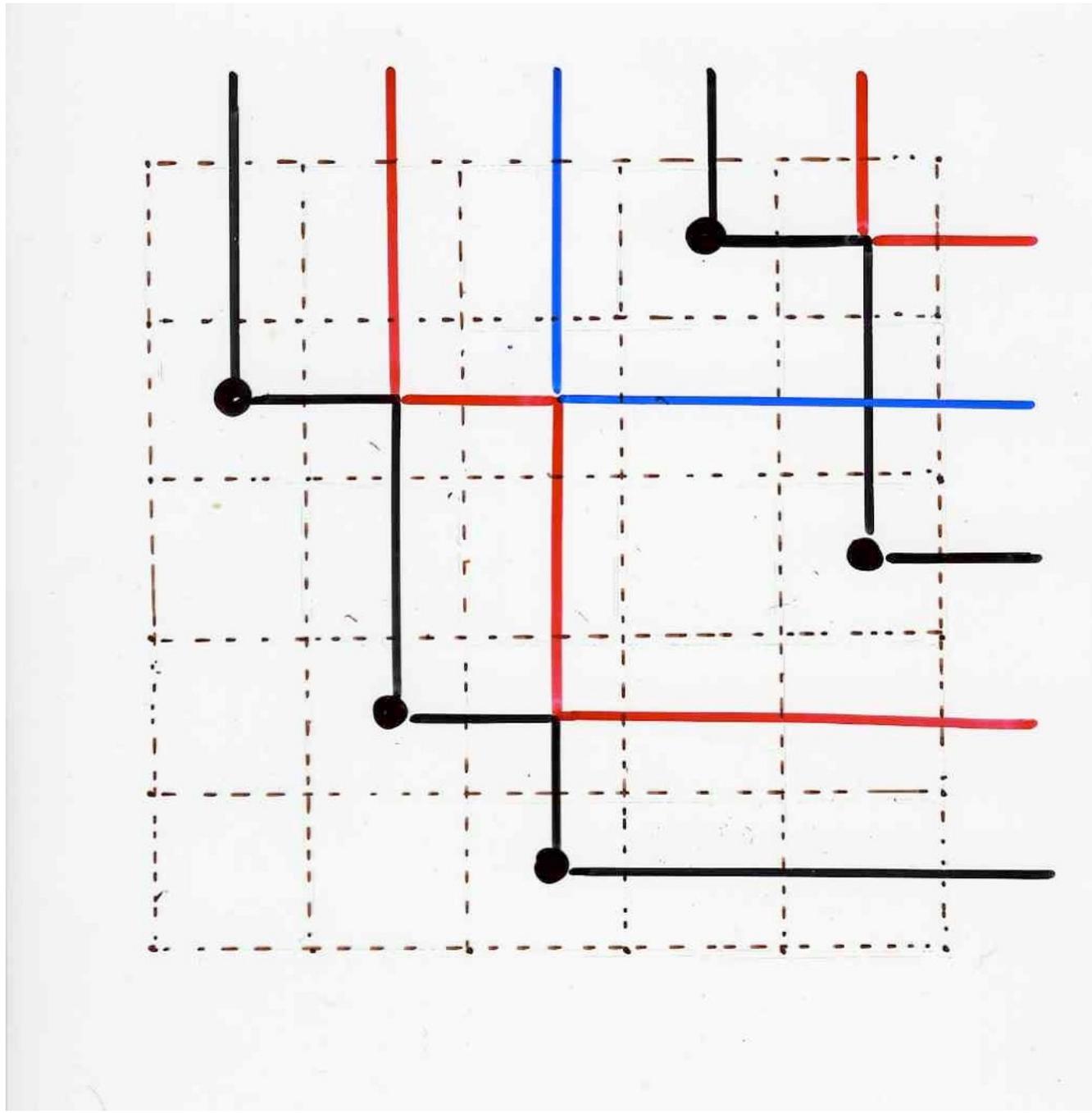
I claim that much attention should be given to the « local rules on edges » rather than « local rules on vertices ».

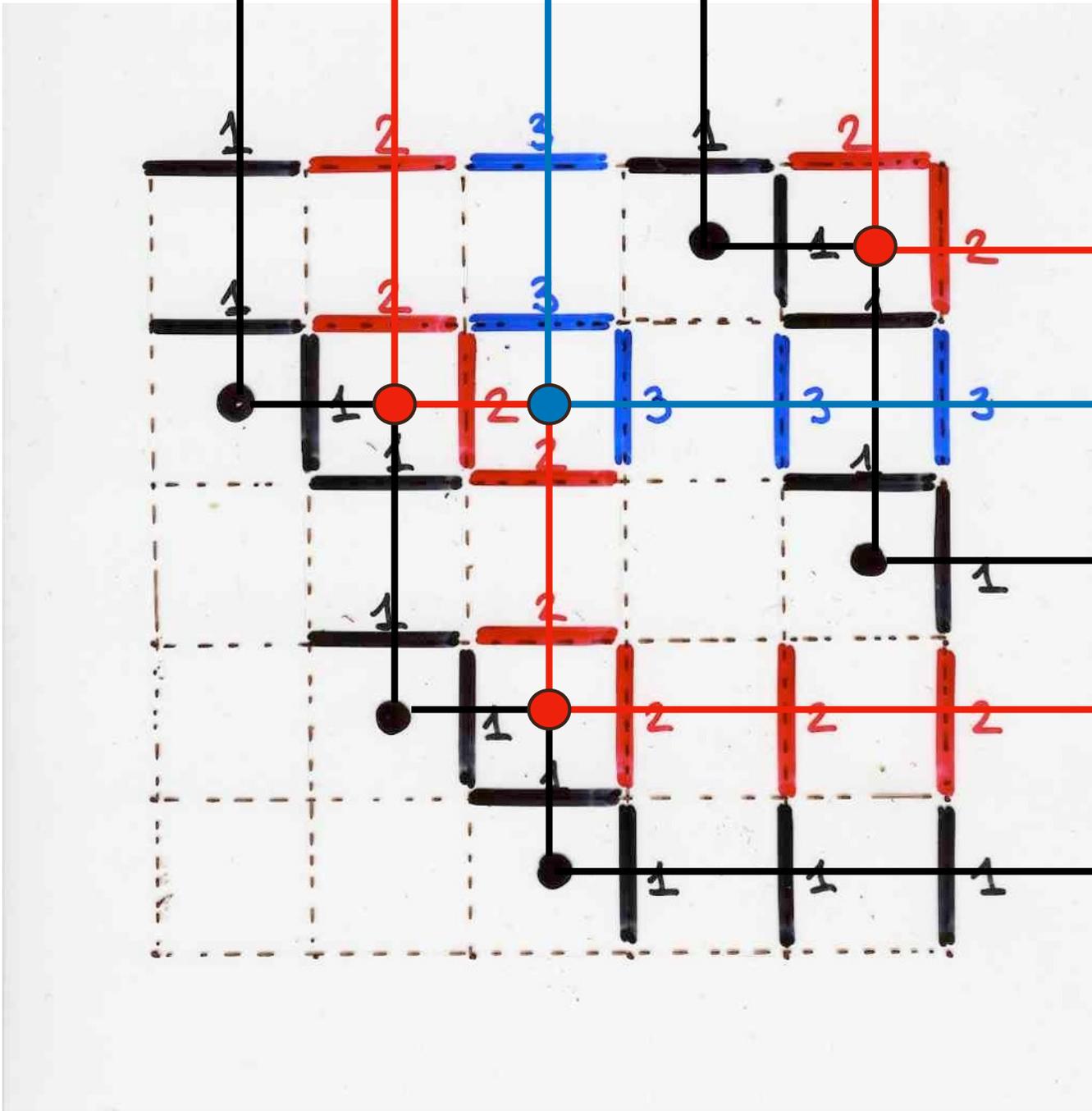
This is part of the philosophy of the « cellular ansatz »

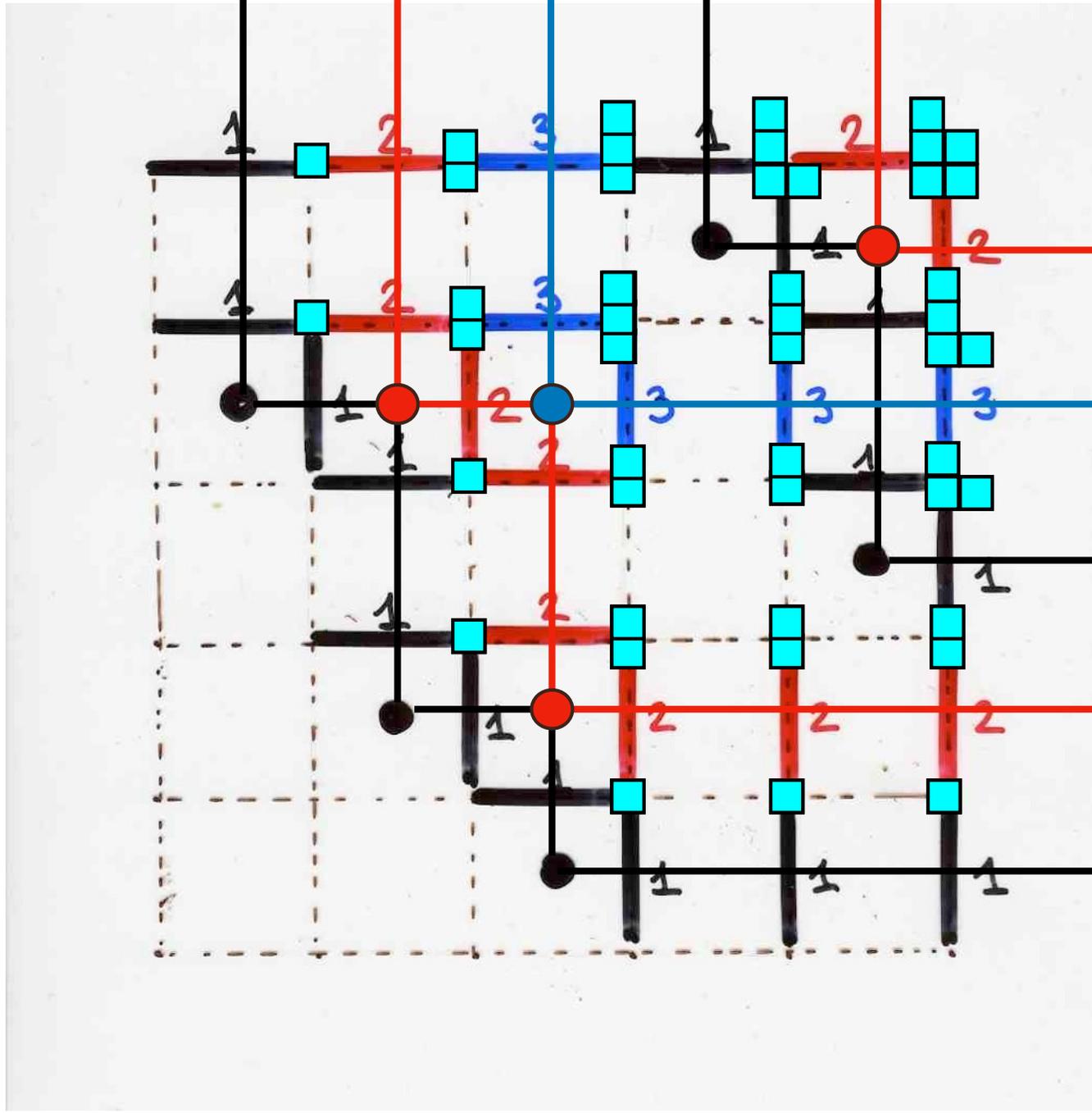












Planar automaton

The RSK (reverse) planar automaton

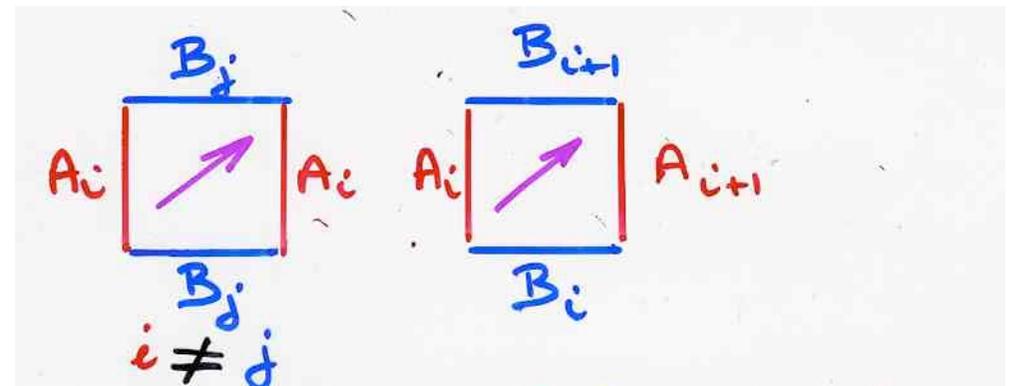
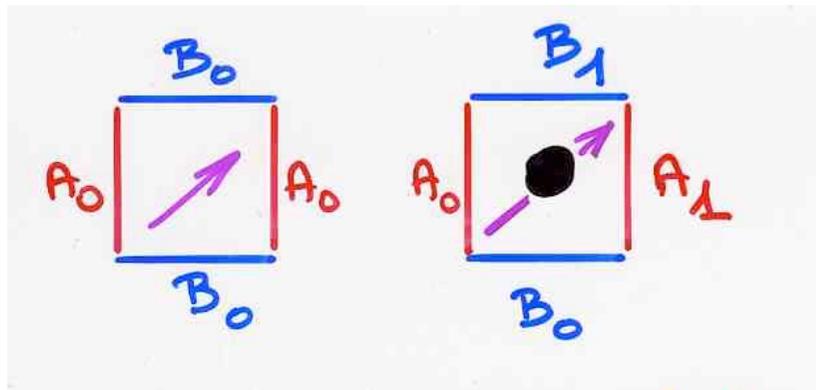
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$$\mathcal{A} = \{A_0, A_1, \dots, A_k\}$$

set of labels

$$L = \{\square, \blacksquare\}$$

"planar rewriting"



The RSK (reverse) planar automaton

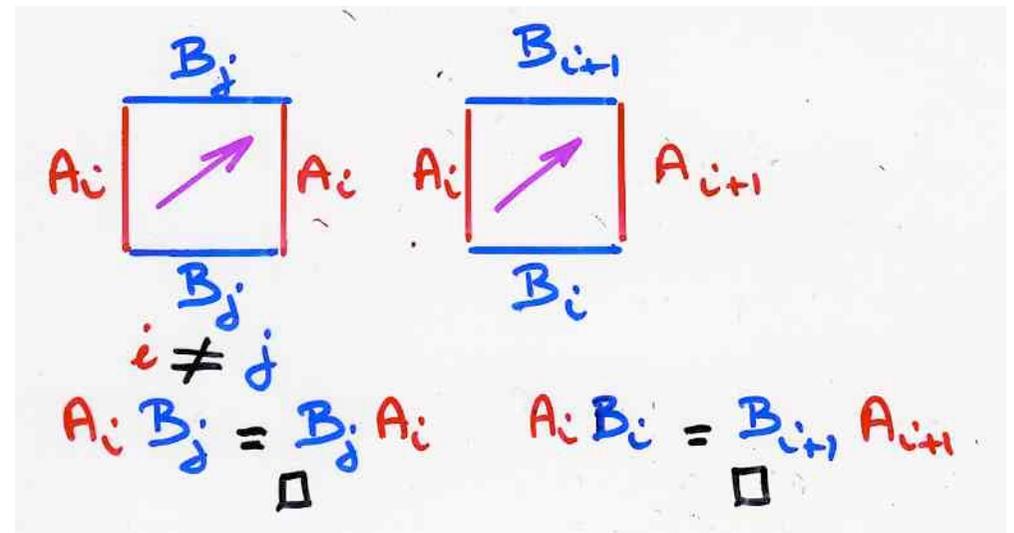
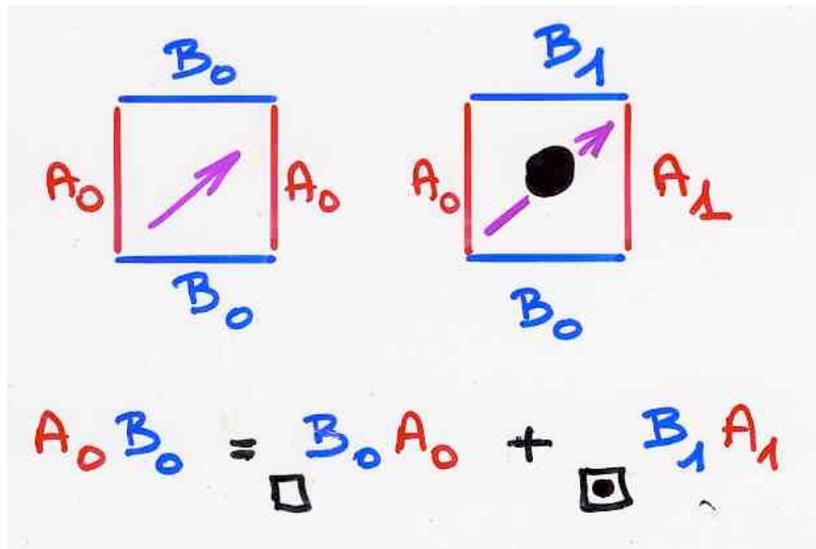
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philosophy of the « cellular ansatz »:
relating planar automaton and some quadratic algebra



Def. planar automaton \mathcal{P}

- 3 finite sets $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cdot \mathcal{B} \\ \cdot \mathcal{d} \\ \cdot \mathcal{S} \end{array} \right.$ horizontal vertical planar labels states alphabet

- θ (partial) transition function

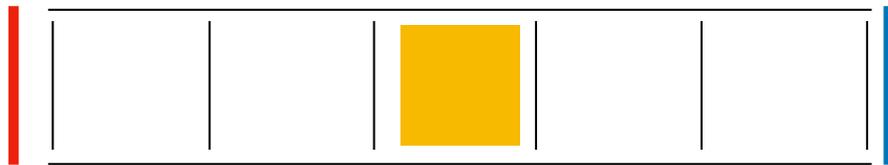
$$(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\theta} (\mathcal{B}', \mathcal{A}') \quad \text{or } \emptyset$$

$\mathcal{S} \in \mathcal{S}; \quad \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}' \in \mathcal{B}; \quad \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}' \in \mathcal{d}$

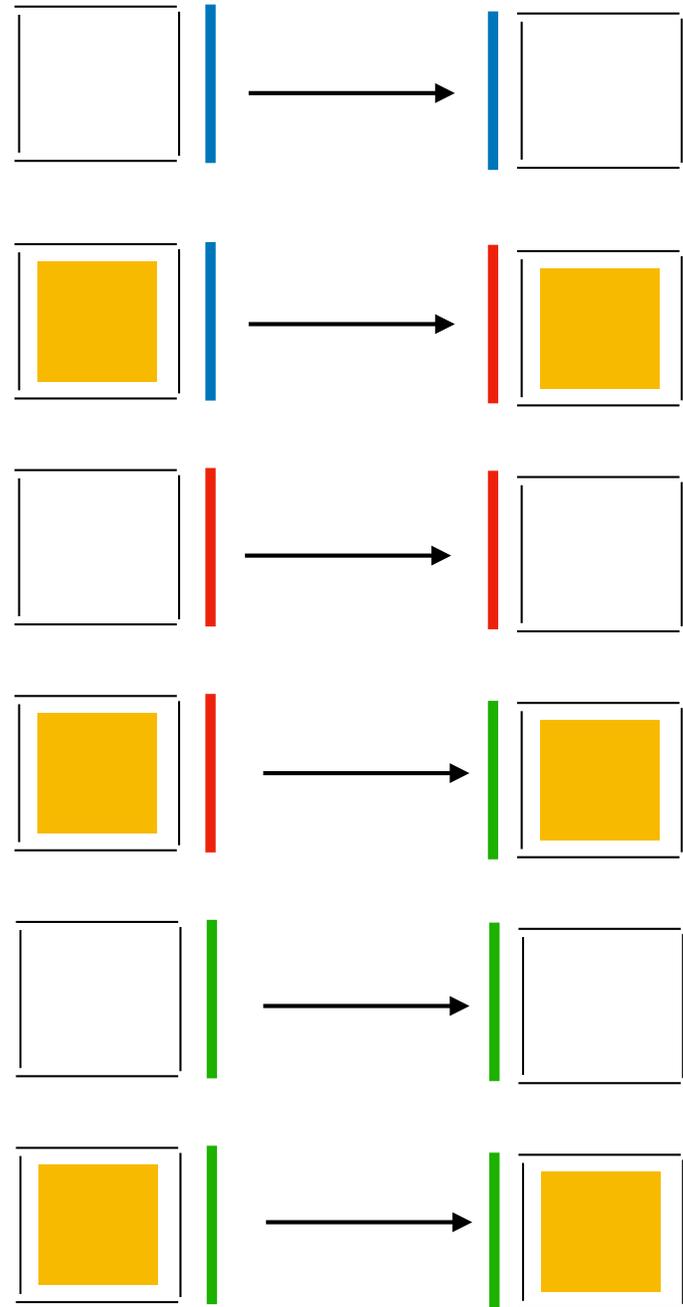
- $w \in (\mathcal{d} \cup \mathcal{B})^*$ initial
- $uv, \quad u \in \mathcal{d}^*, \quad v \in \mathcal{B}^*$ final word

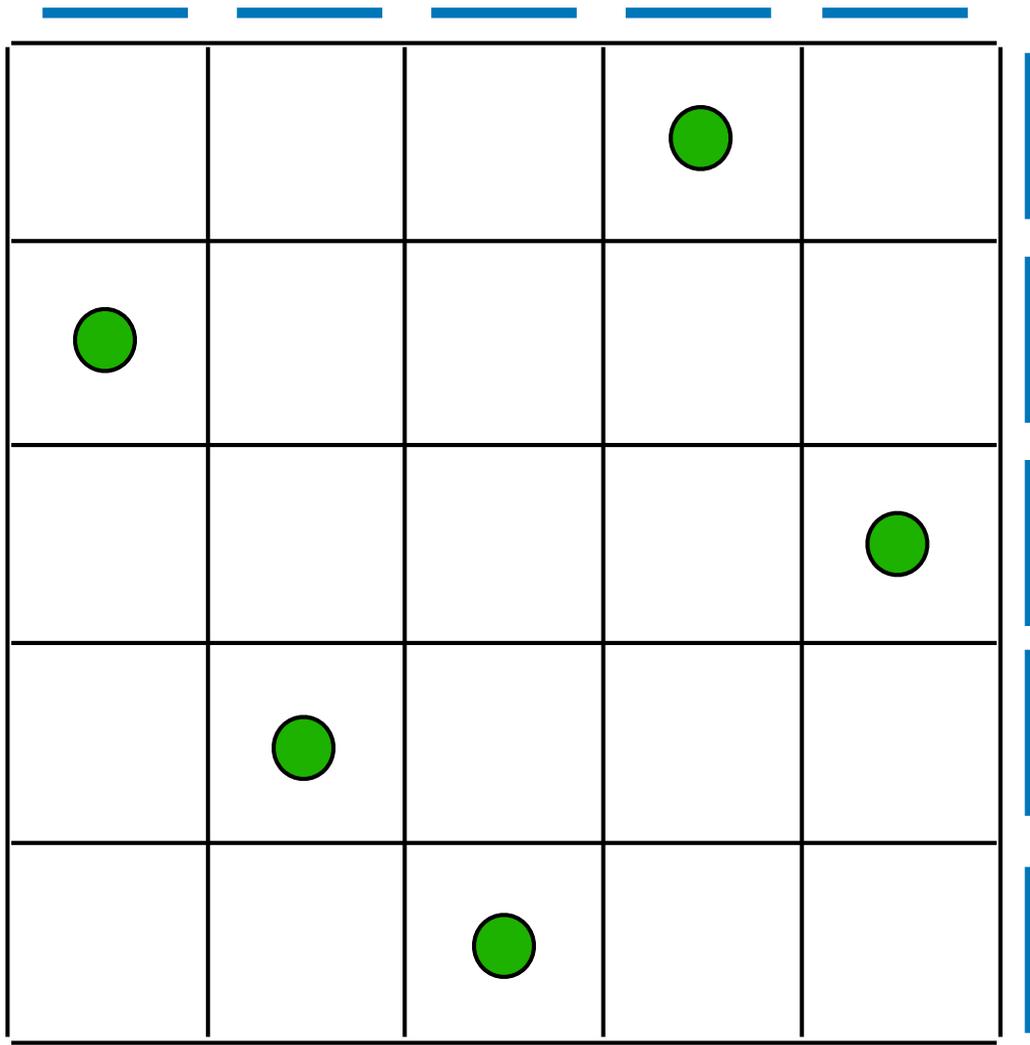
finite automaton

word w
accepted
by a



initial state
final state





The RSK planar automaton

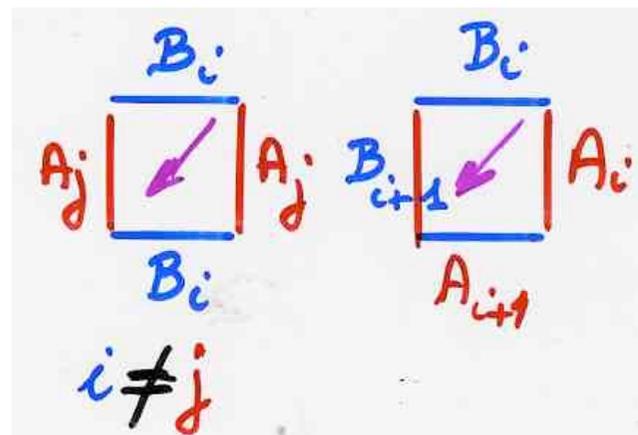
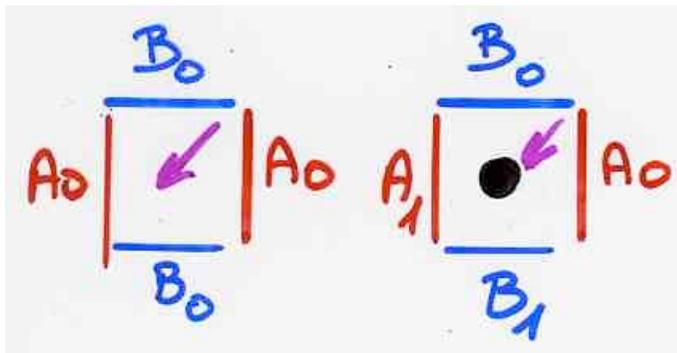
The "RSK planar automaton"

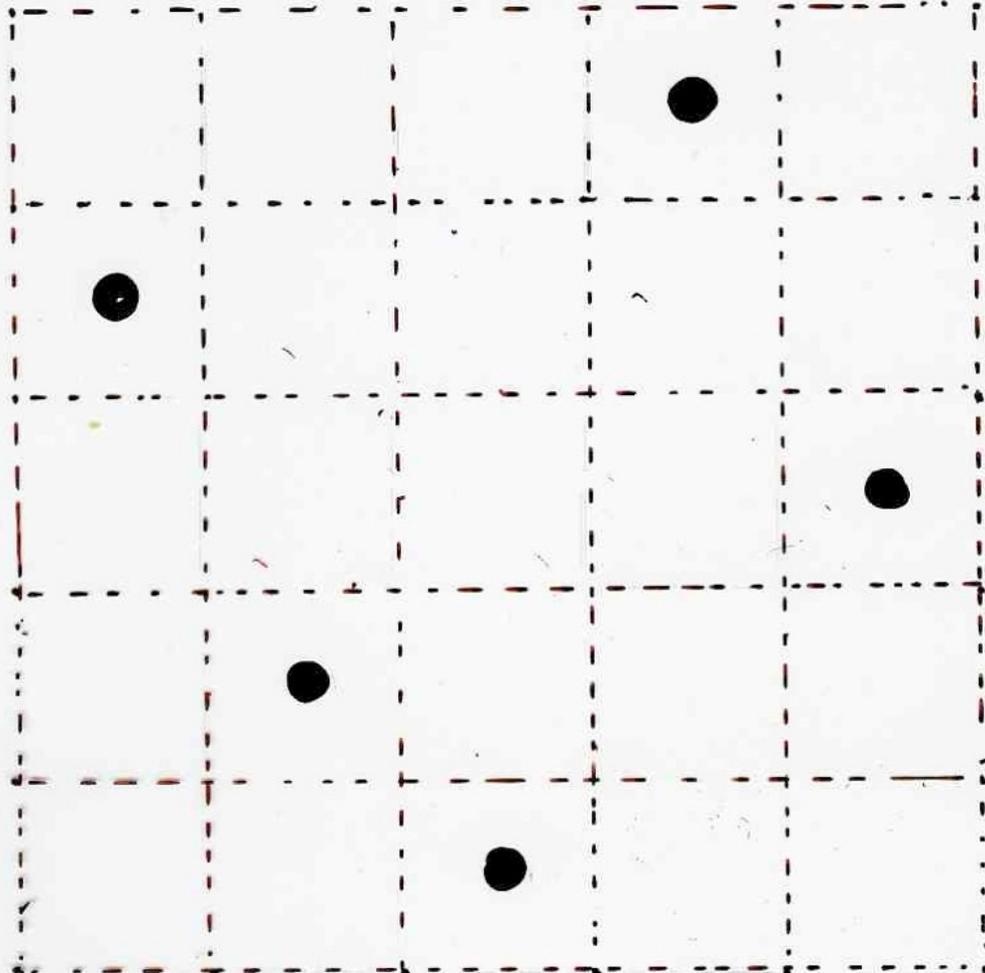
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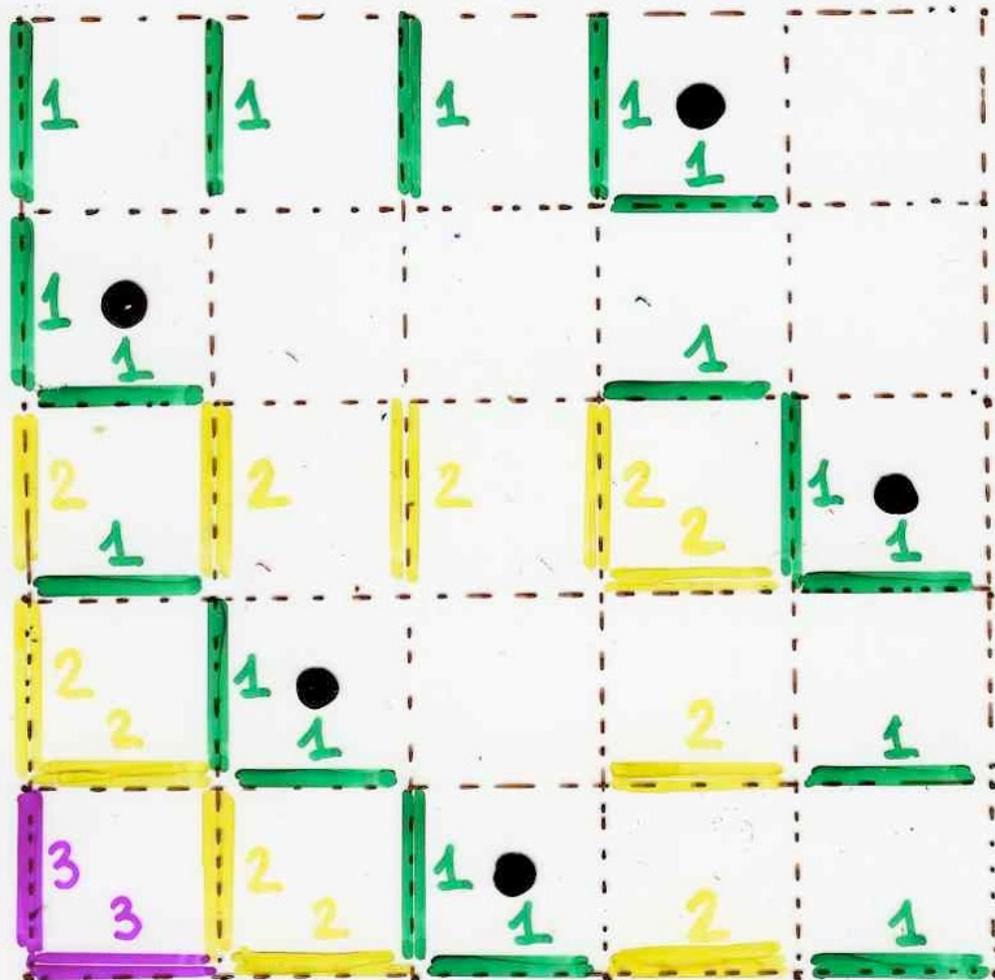
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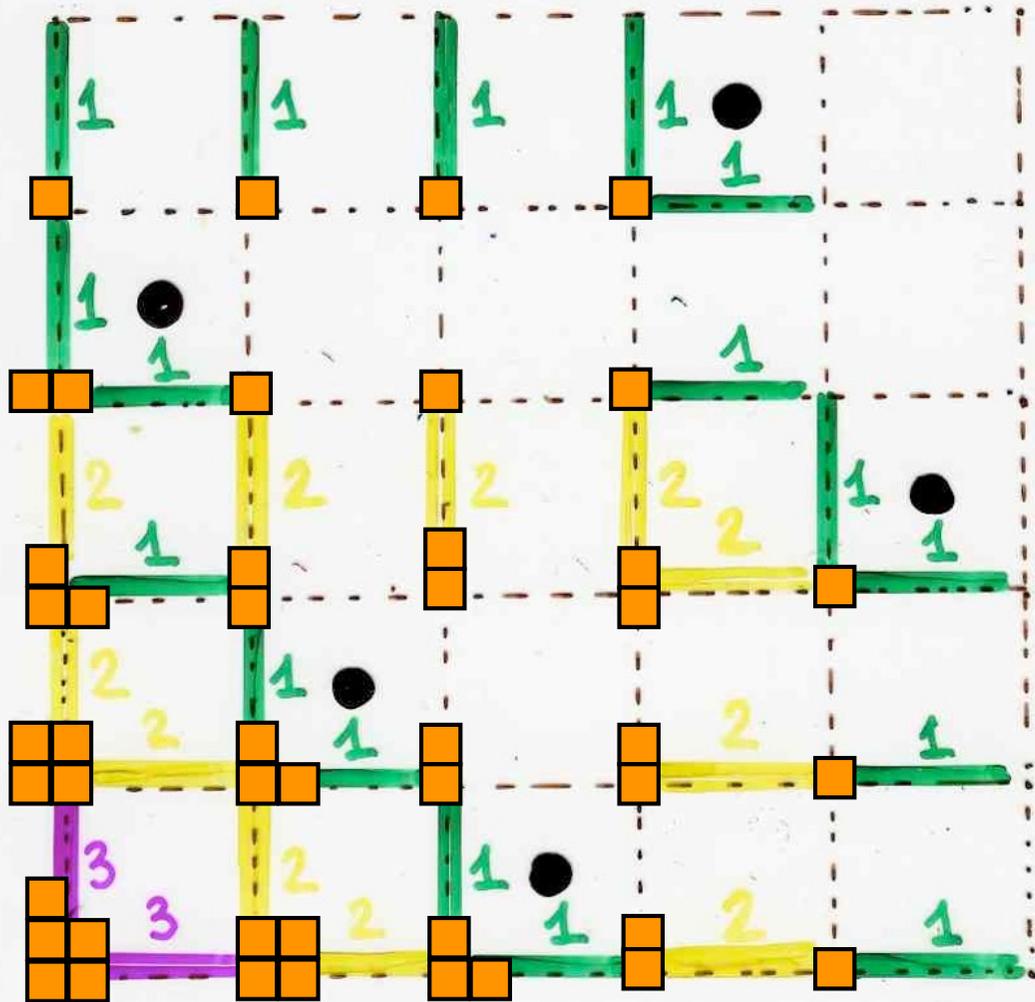
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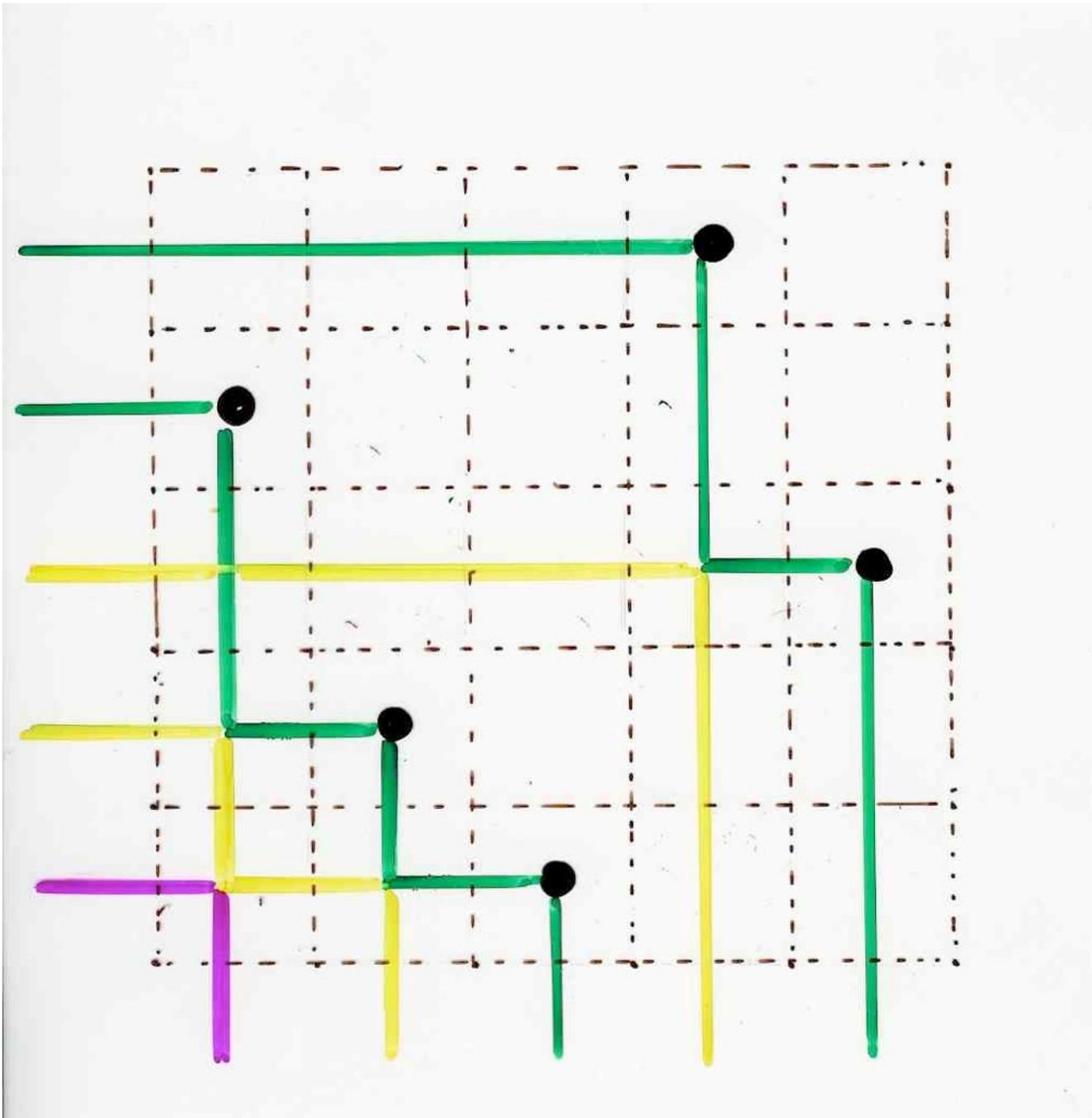
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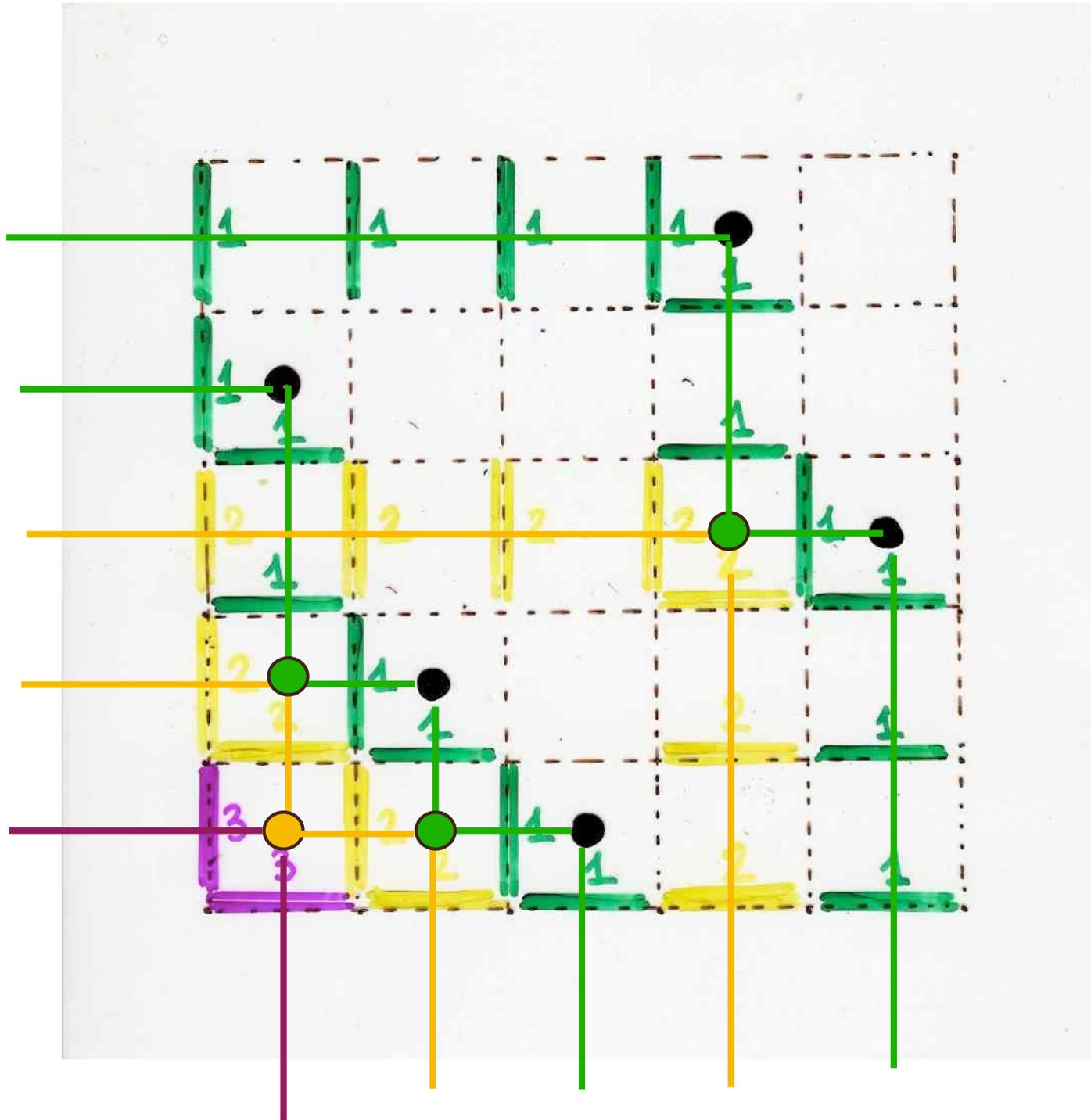


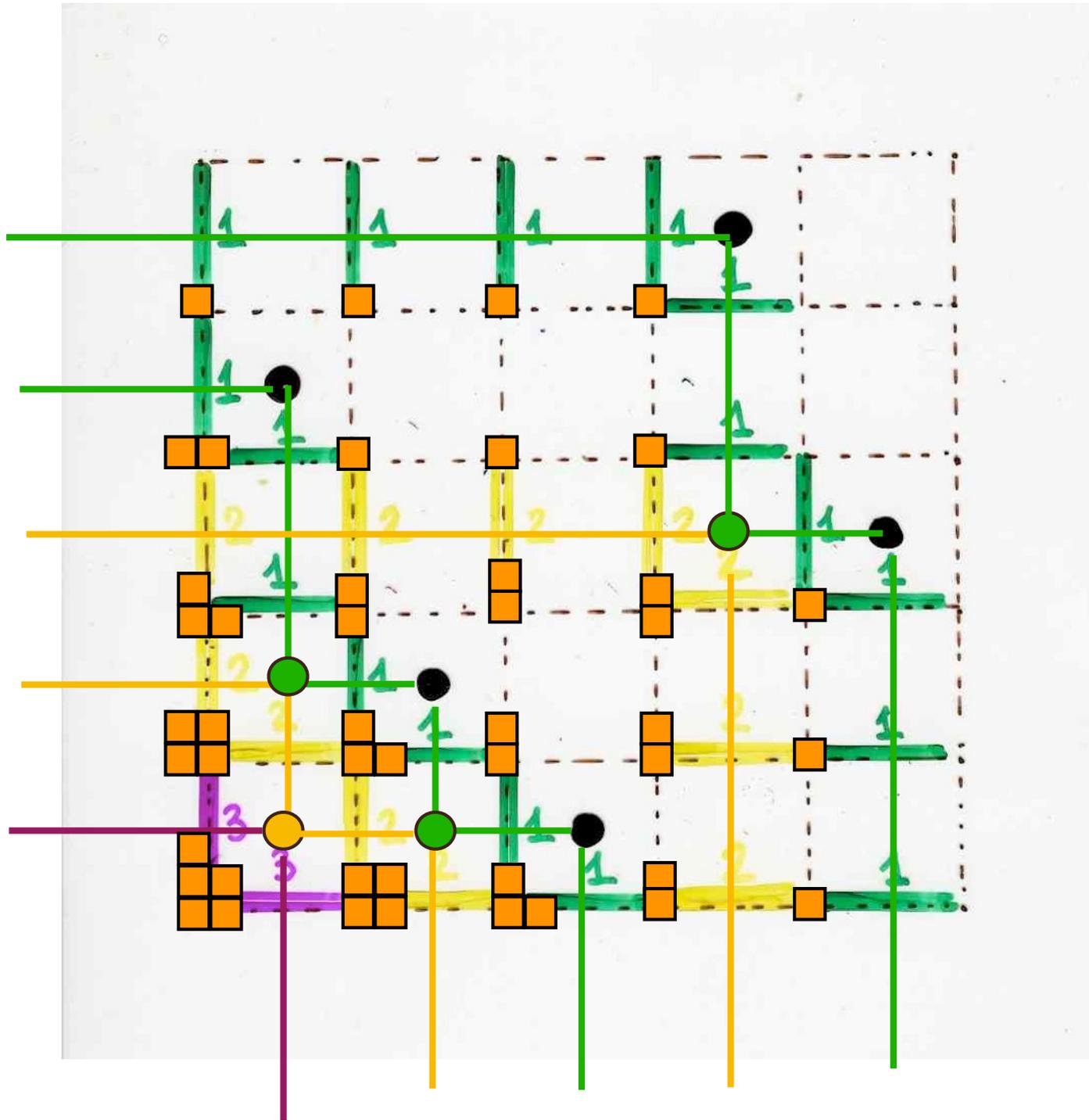






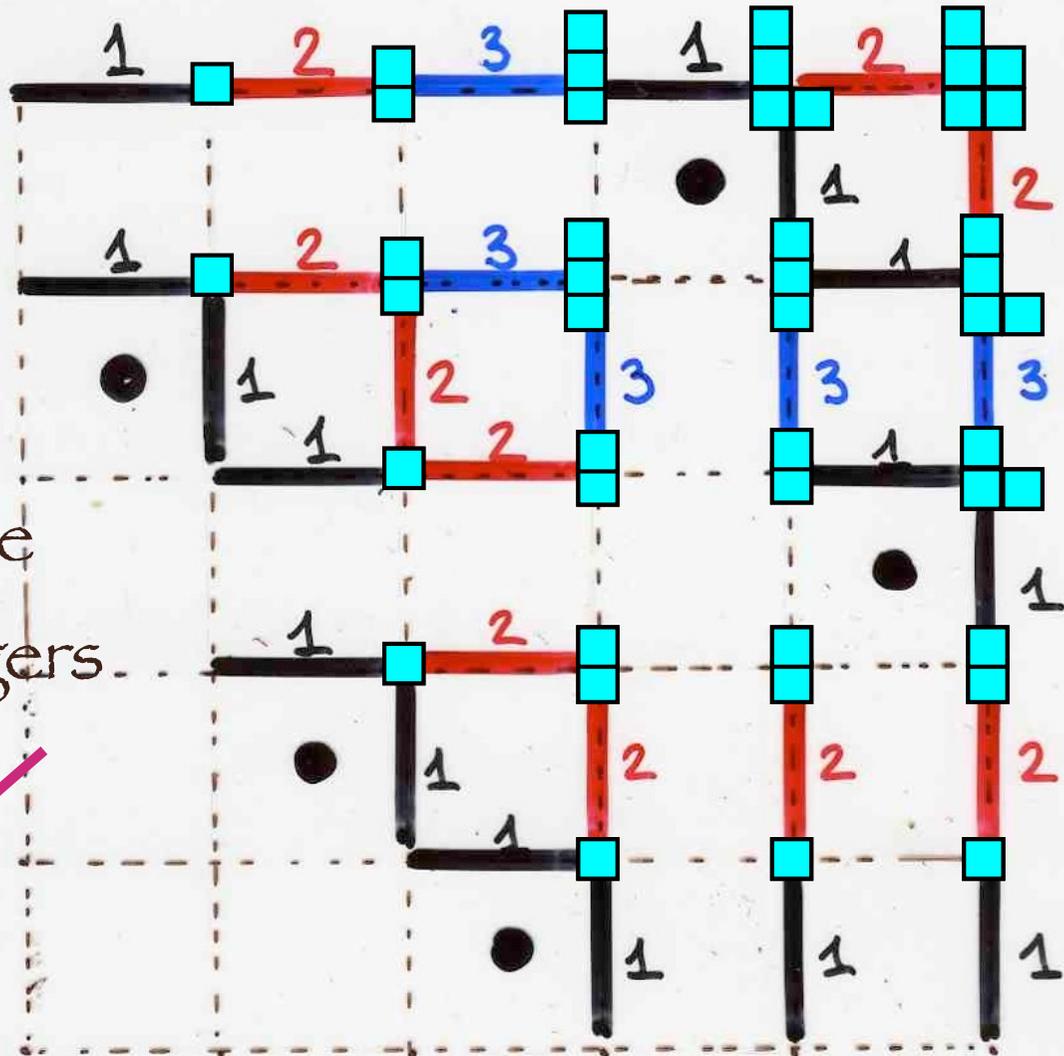


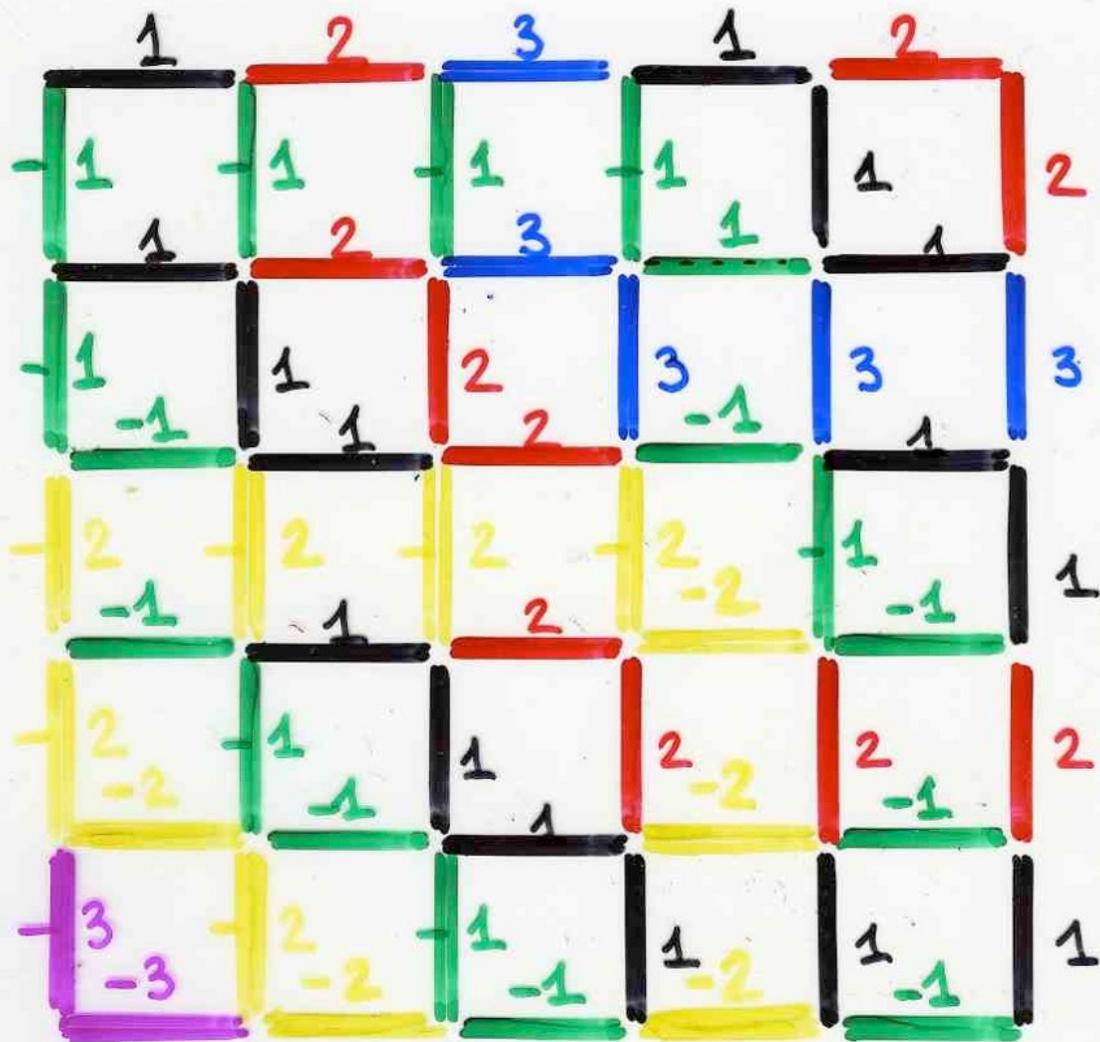




The bilateral
RSK planar automaton

Going to the
negative integers

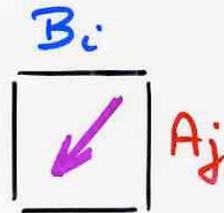




bilateral
planar automaton RSK

$$\mathcal{B} = \{B_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}}$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \{A_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}}$$



$$B_i A_j = A_j B_i$$

$i \neq j$

$$B_i A_i = A_{i-1} B_{i-1}$$

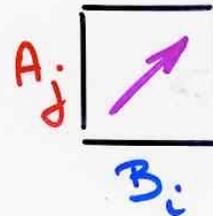
$(i \neq 1)$

$$B_1 A_1 = A_{-1} B_{-1}$$

bilateral
(reverse) planar automaton RSK

$$A_j B_i = B_i A_j$$

$i \neq j$



$$A_i B_i = B_{i+1} A_{i+1}$$

$(i \neq -1)$

$$A_{-1} B_{-1} = B_1 A_1$$

2

3

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3

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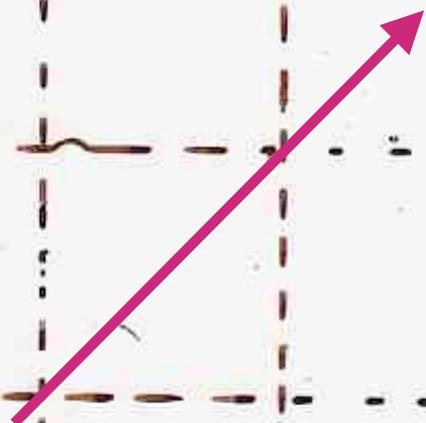
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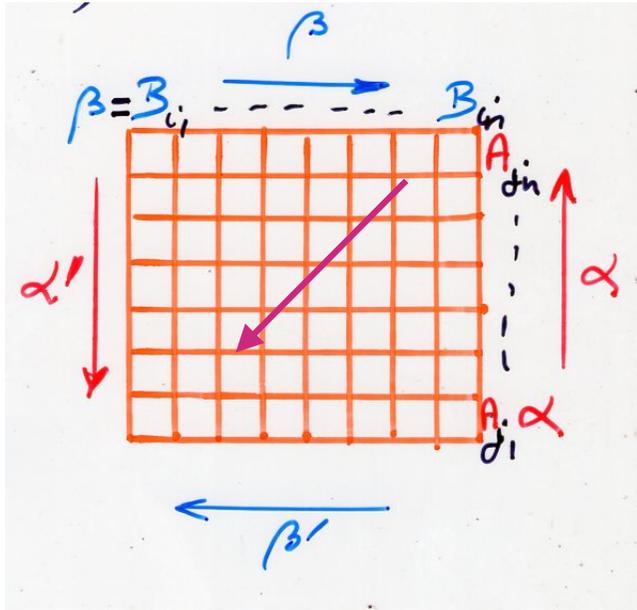
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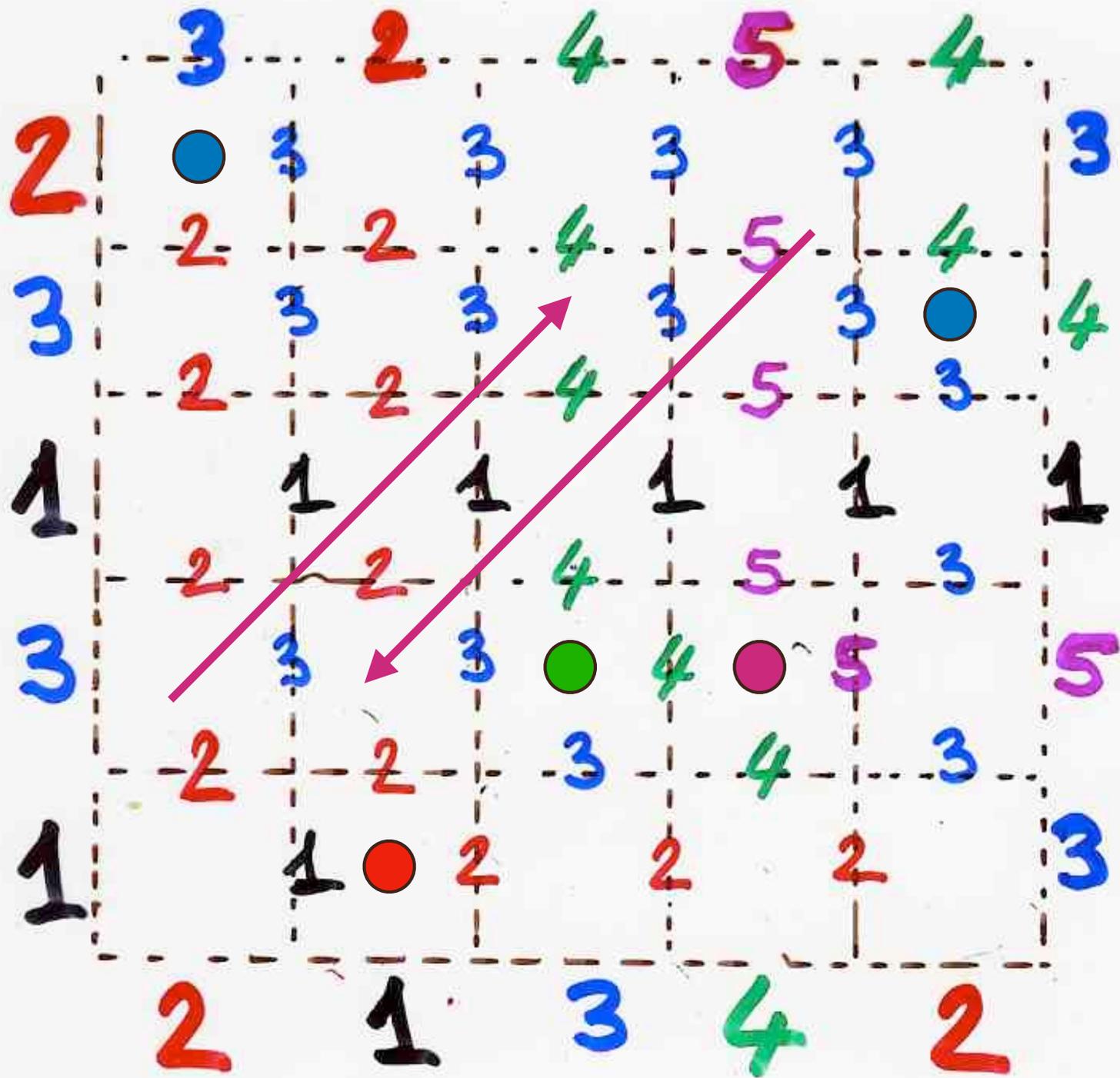
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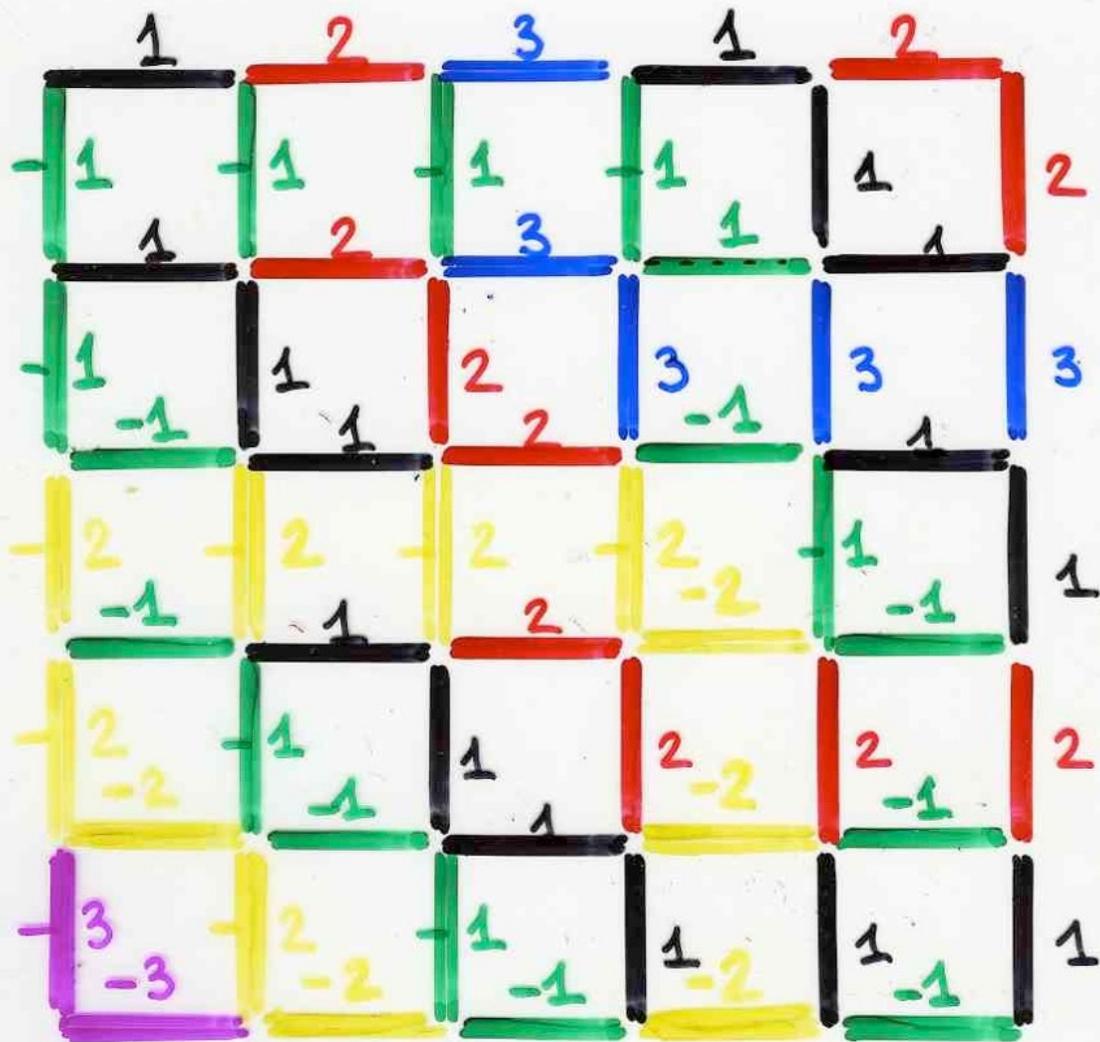


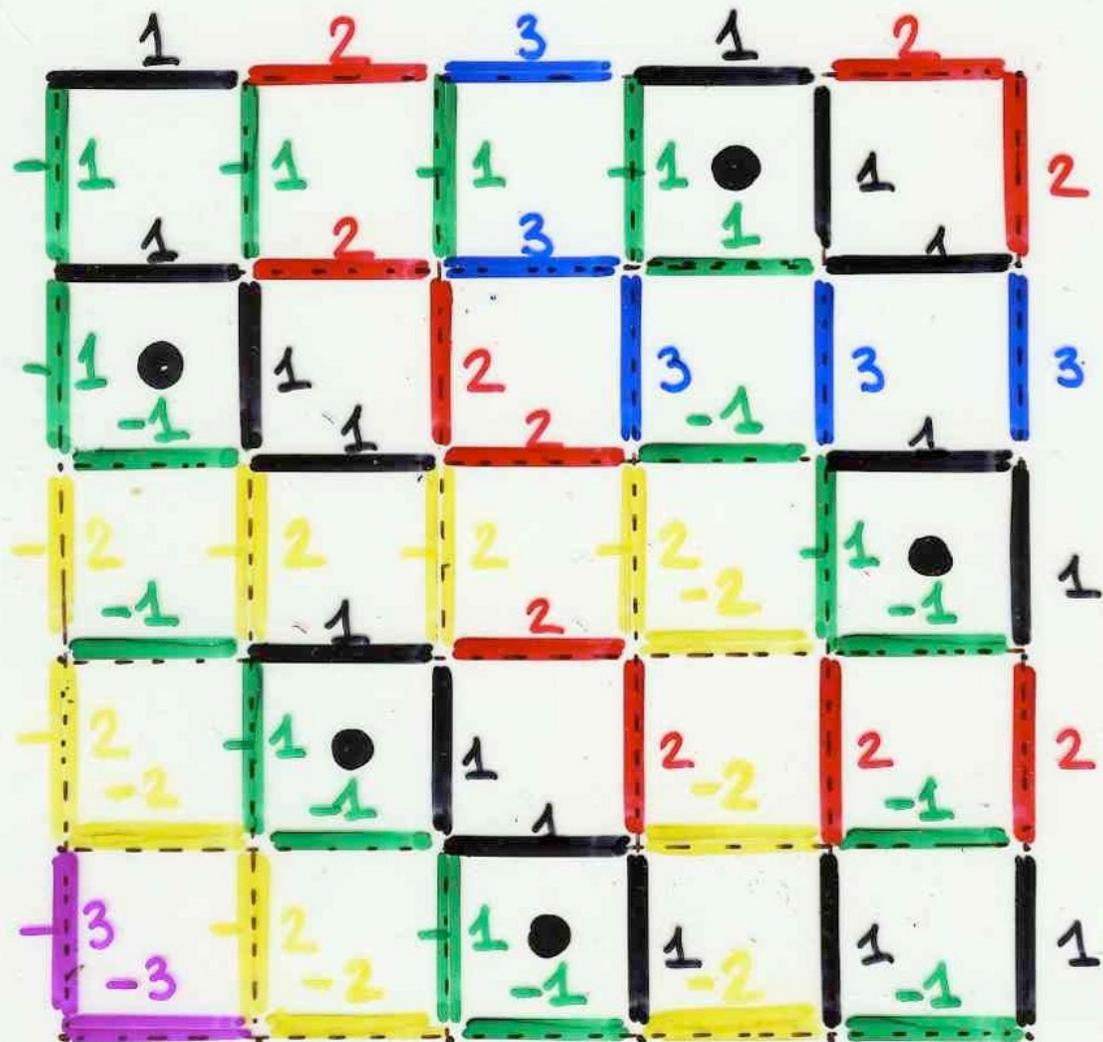
RSK product
of two words

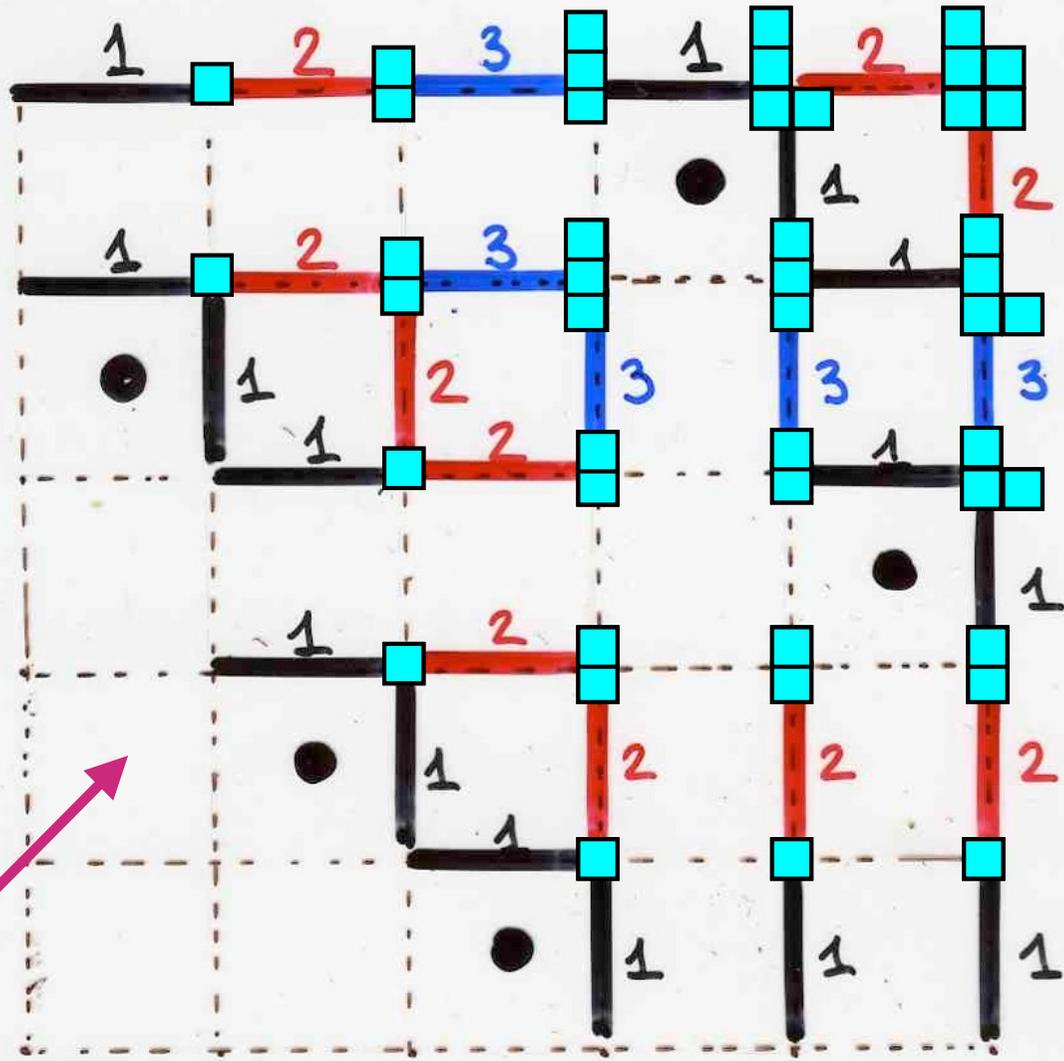
$$(\beta, \alpha) \rightarrow (\alpha', \beta')$$

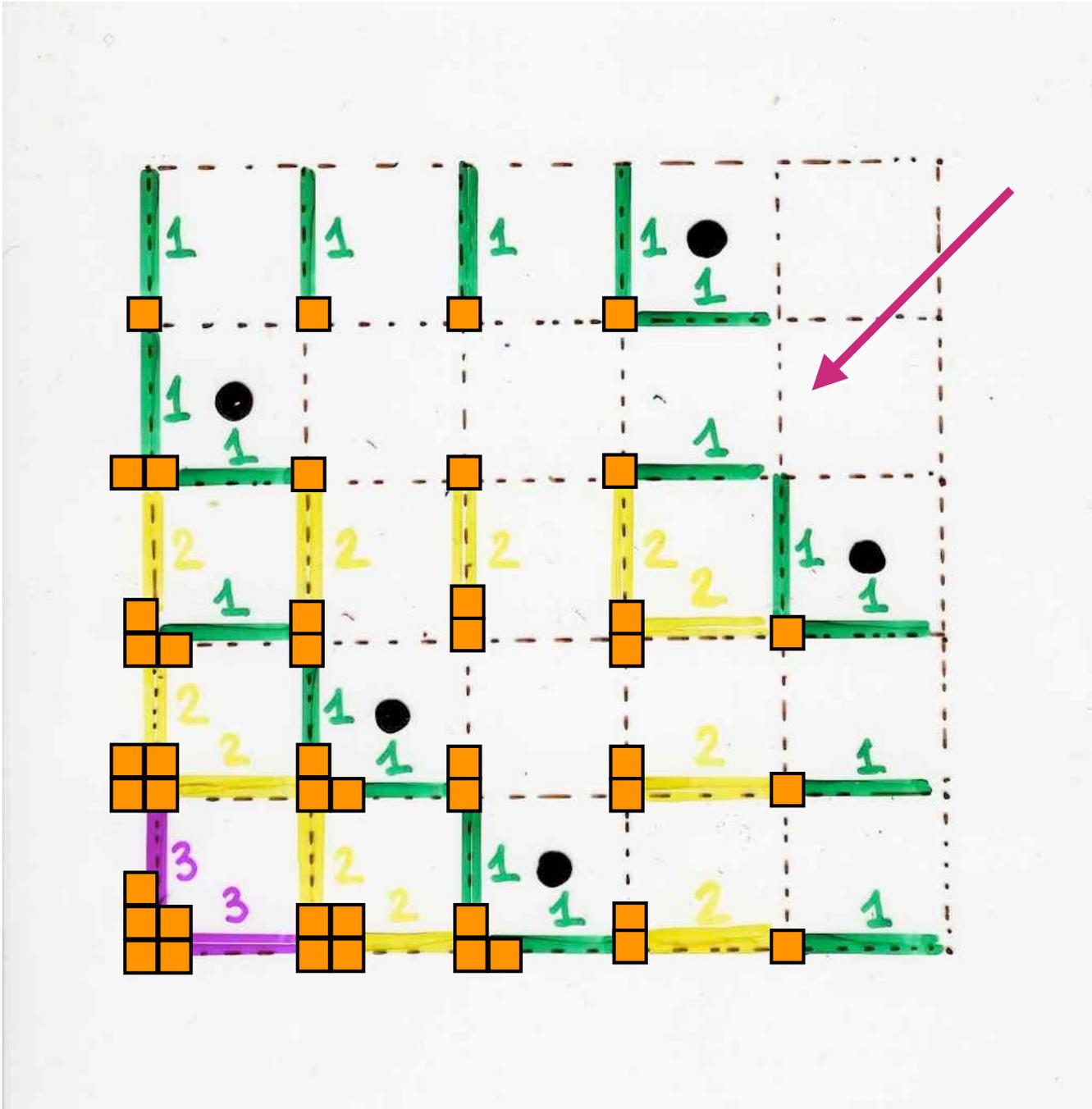


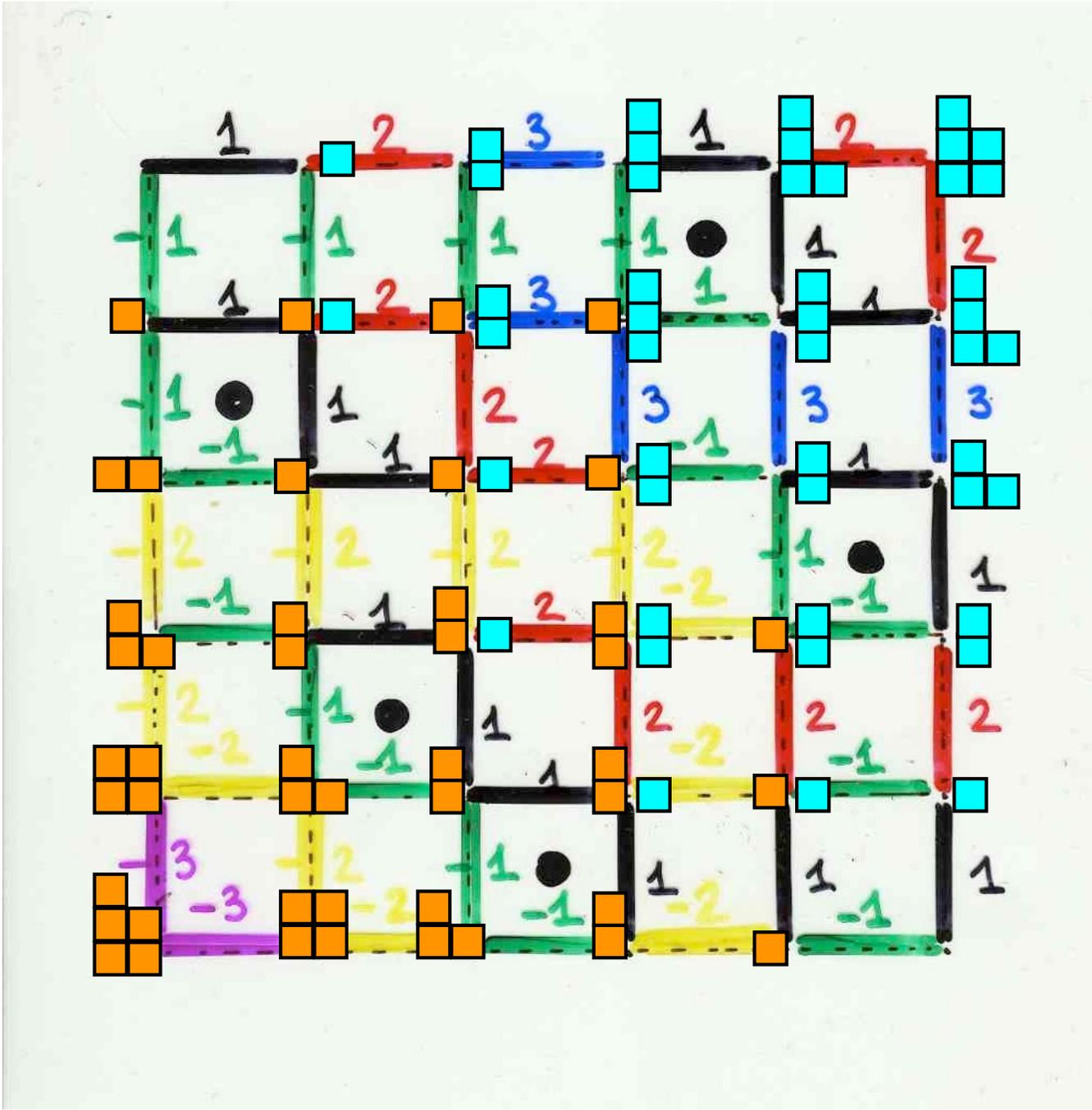








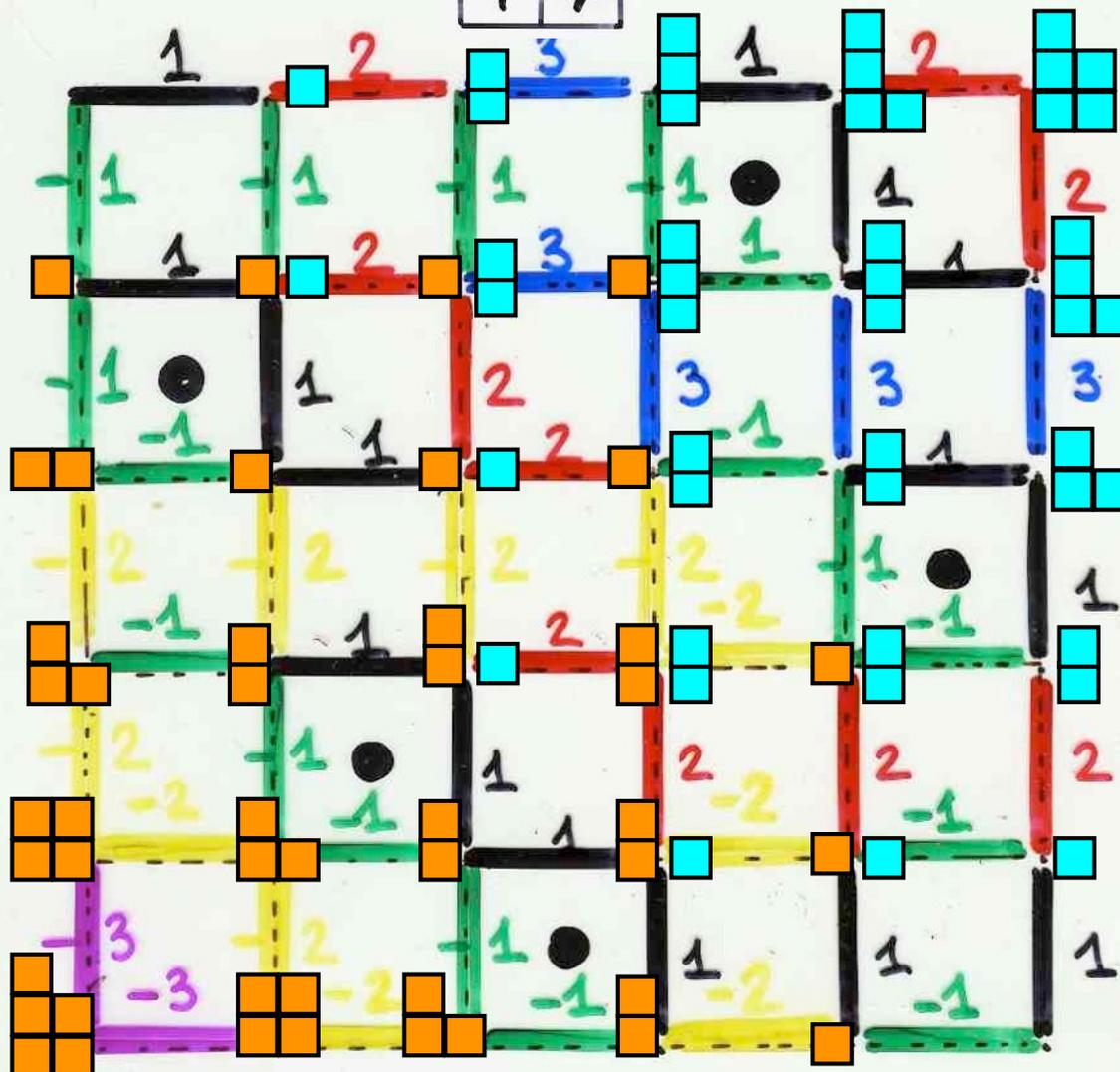




Schützenberger

Duality!

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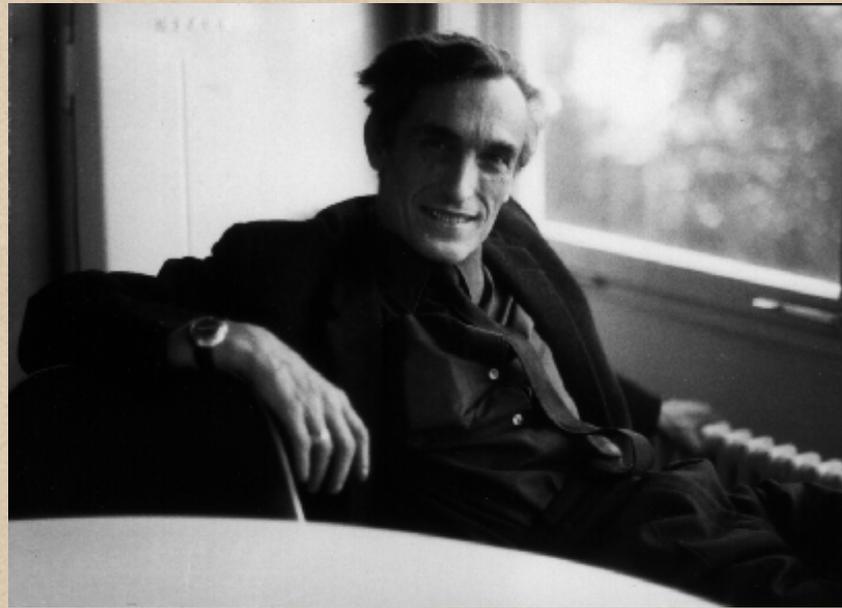


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dual of a Young tableau



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P^*
dual

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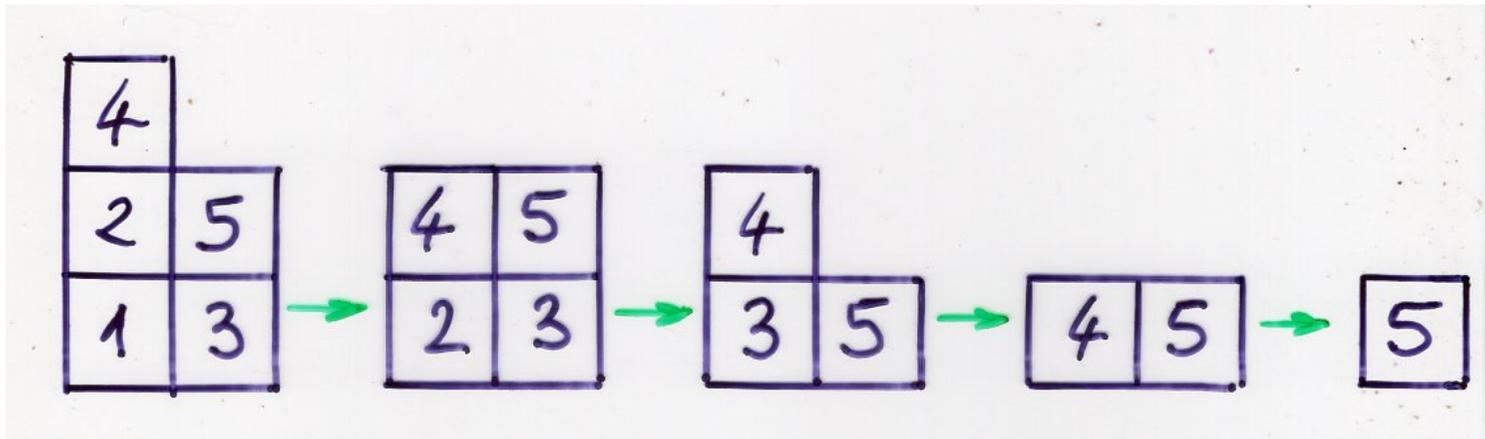
complement

$$(i)^c = n+1-i$$

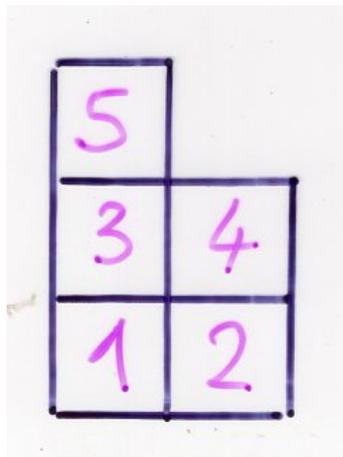
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$P =$



P^*
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$evac(P)$
for P^*

evacuation

"vidage - remplissage"
evacuation - filling

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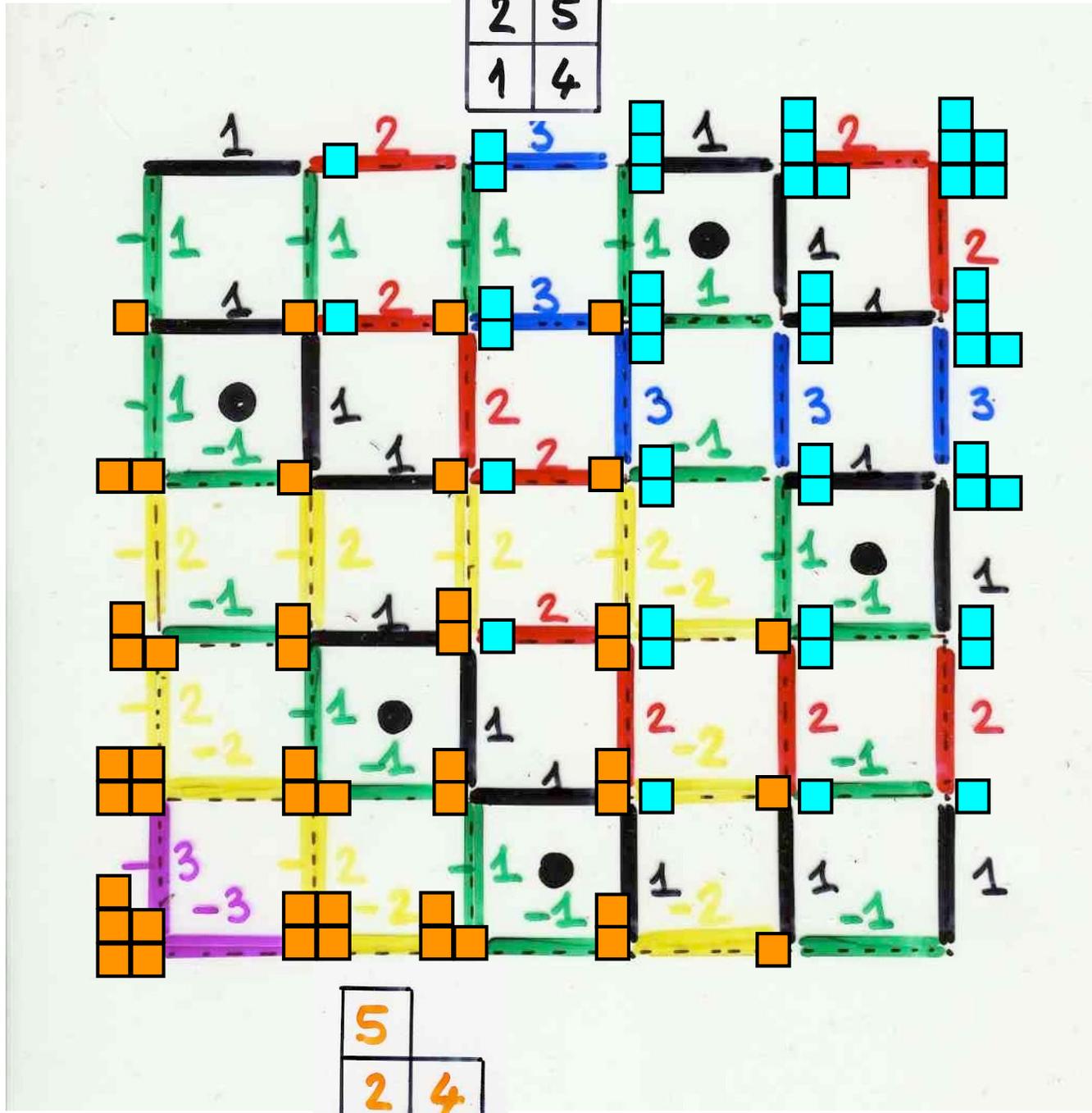
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$$\sigma = \sigma(1) \dots \sigma(n)$$

$$\sigma^t = \sigma(n) \dots \sigma(1)$$

transpose

$$\sigma^c = \sigma(1)^p \quad \sigma(n)^p$$

complement

$$(i)^c = n+1-i$$

$$\sigma^\# = (\sigma^t)^c$$

$$(\sigma^c)^t$$

Proposition Schützenberger

$$\sigma \rightarrow (P, Q)$$

$$\sigma^\# \rightarrow (P^*, Q^*)$$

dual
tableaux

M.P. Schützenberger, 1963, 1972

Proposition Schützenberger

The map $P \rightarrow P^*$ is an *involution*

$$(P^*)^* = P$$

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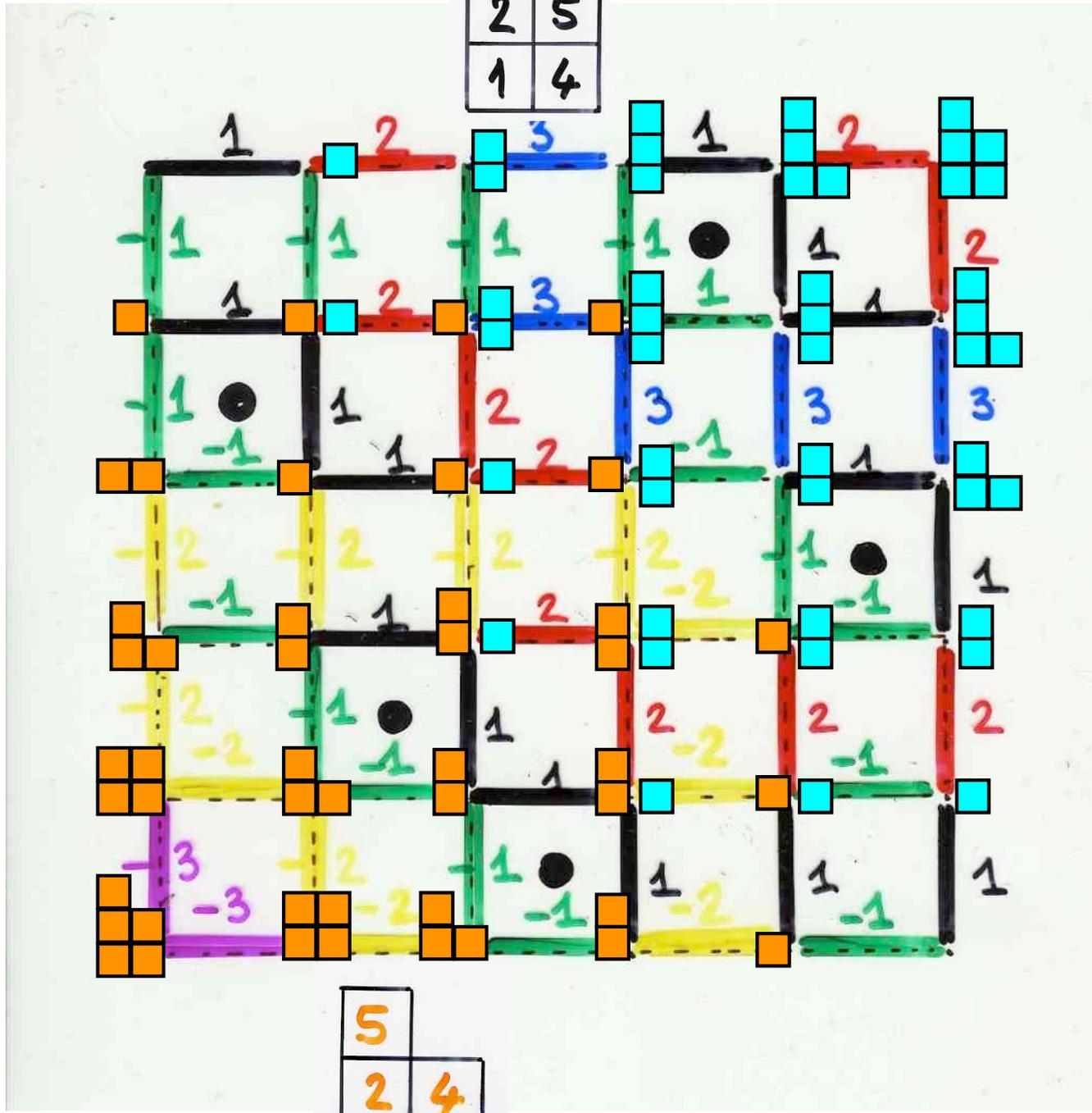
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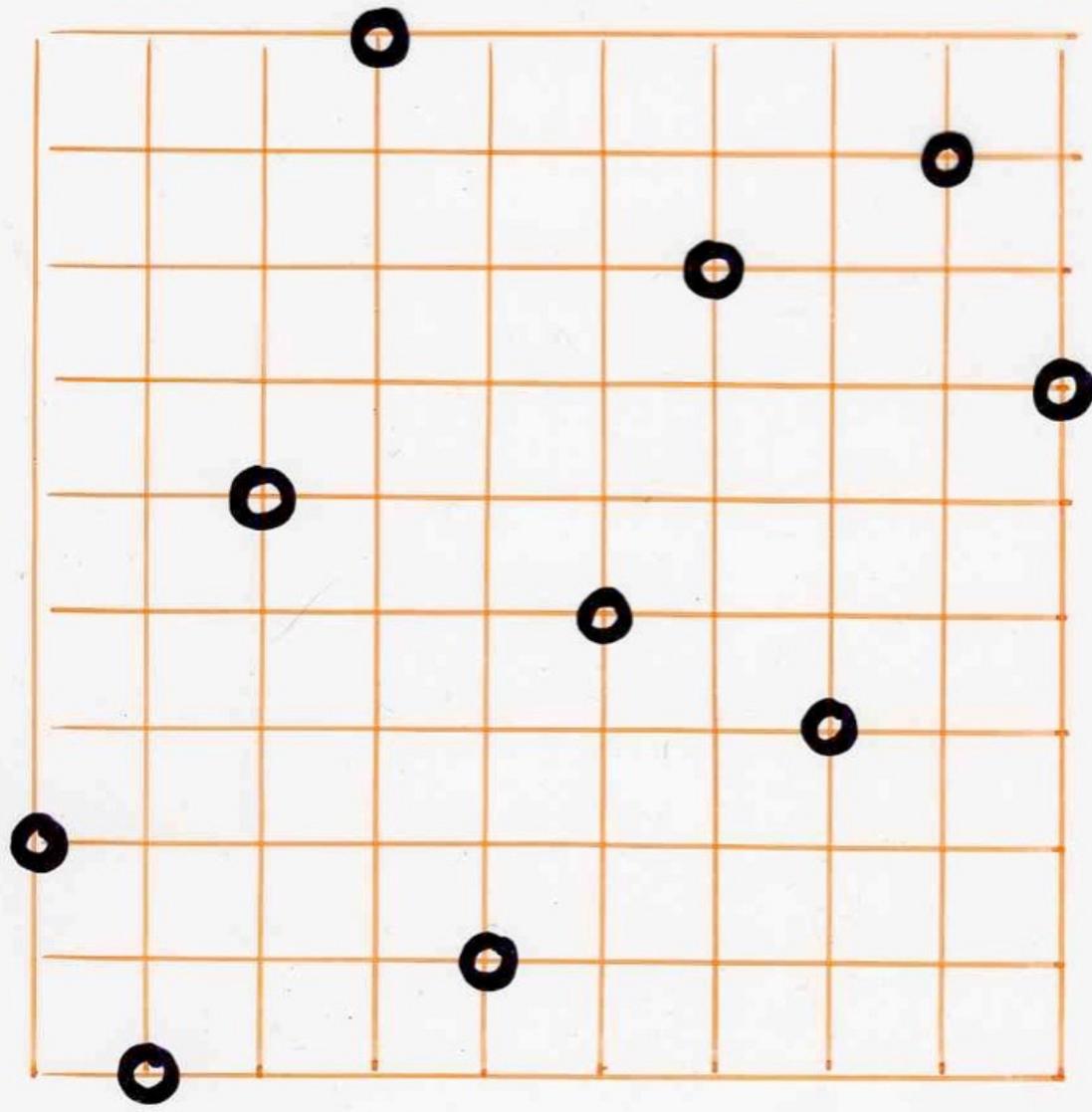


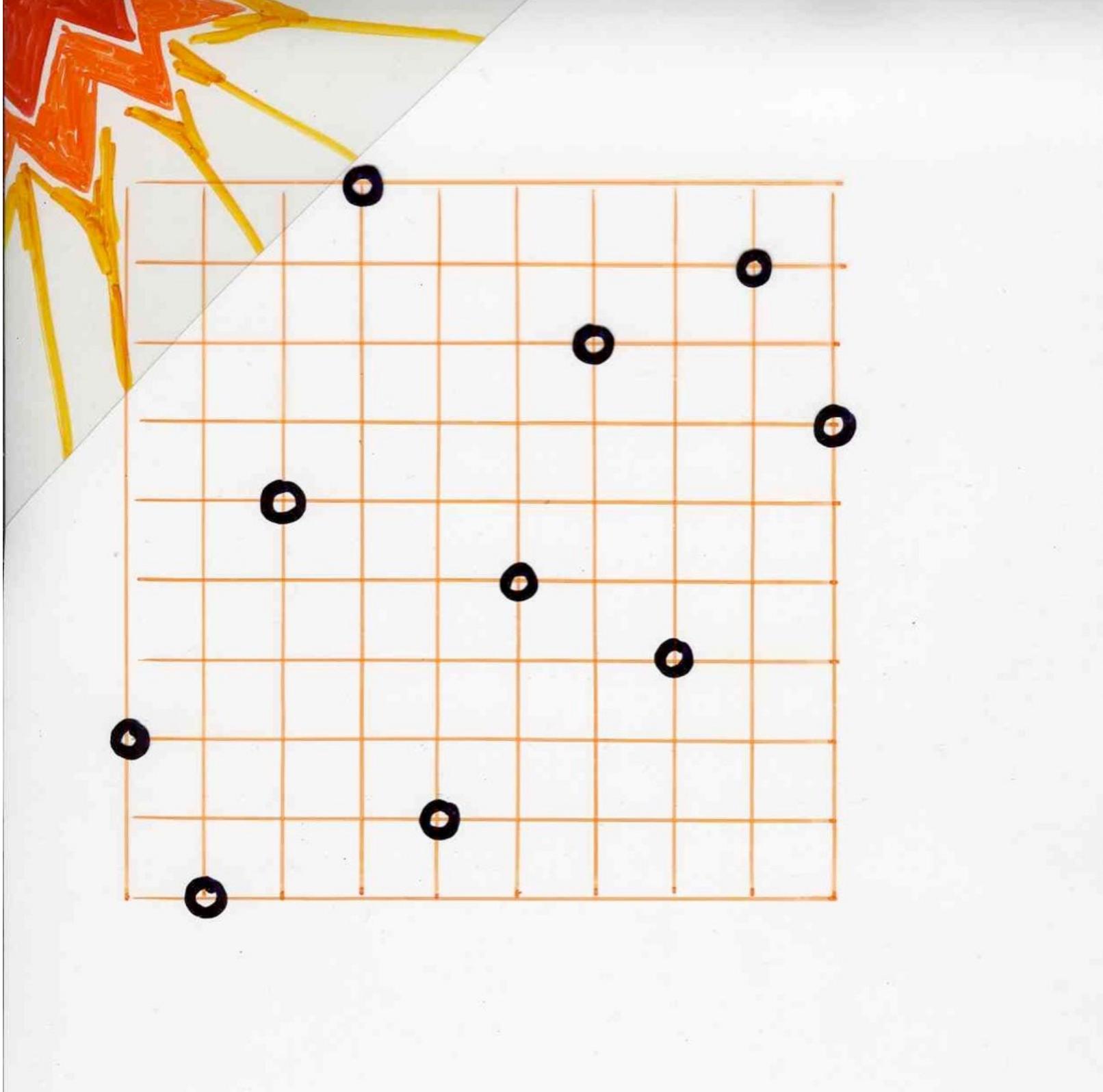
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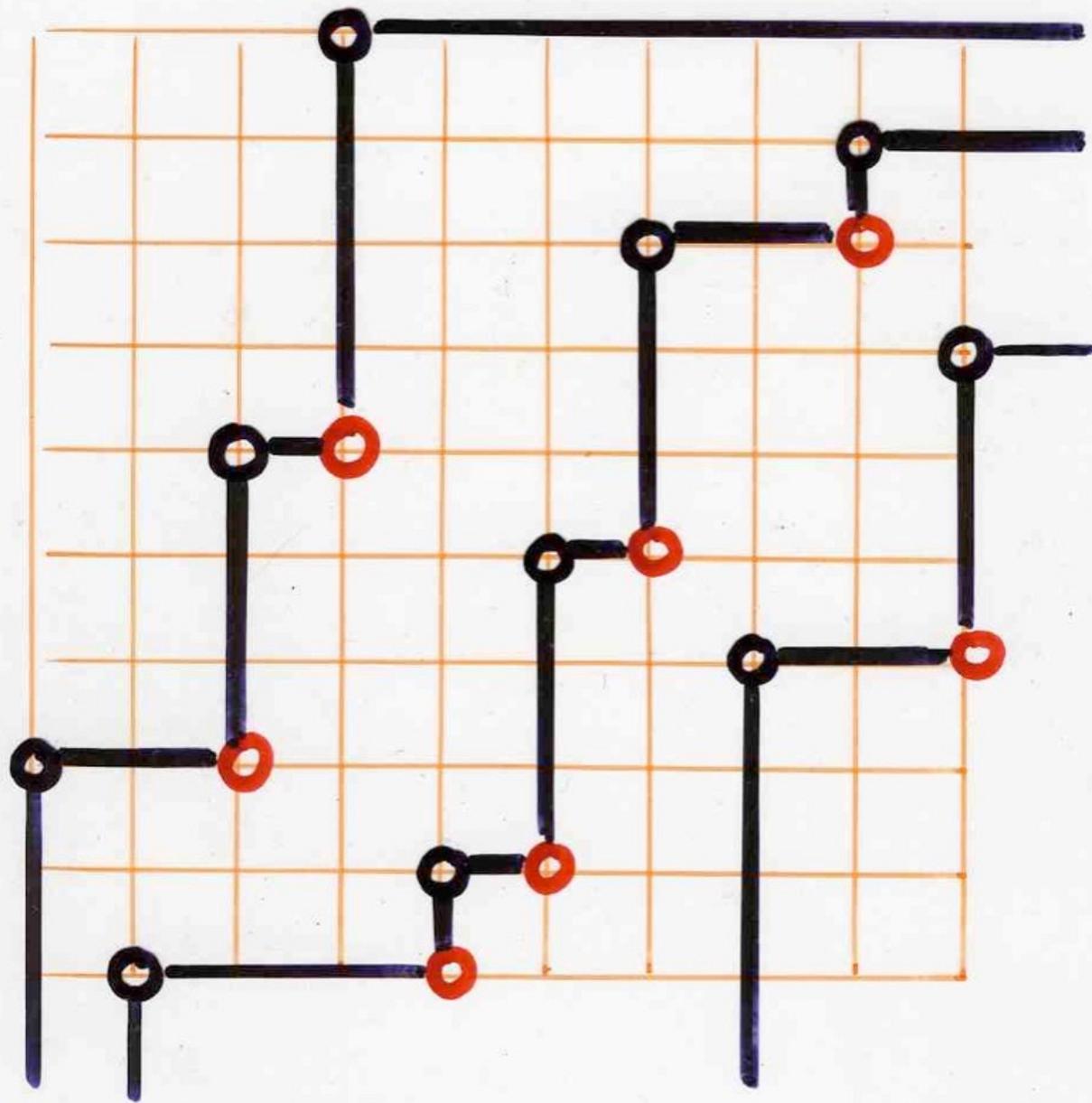
more duality

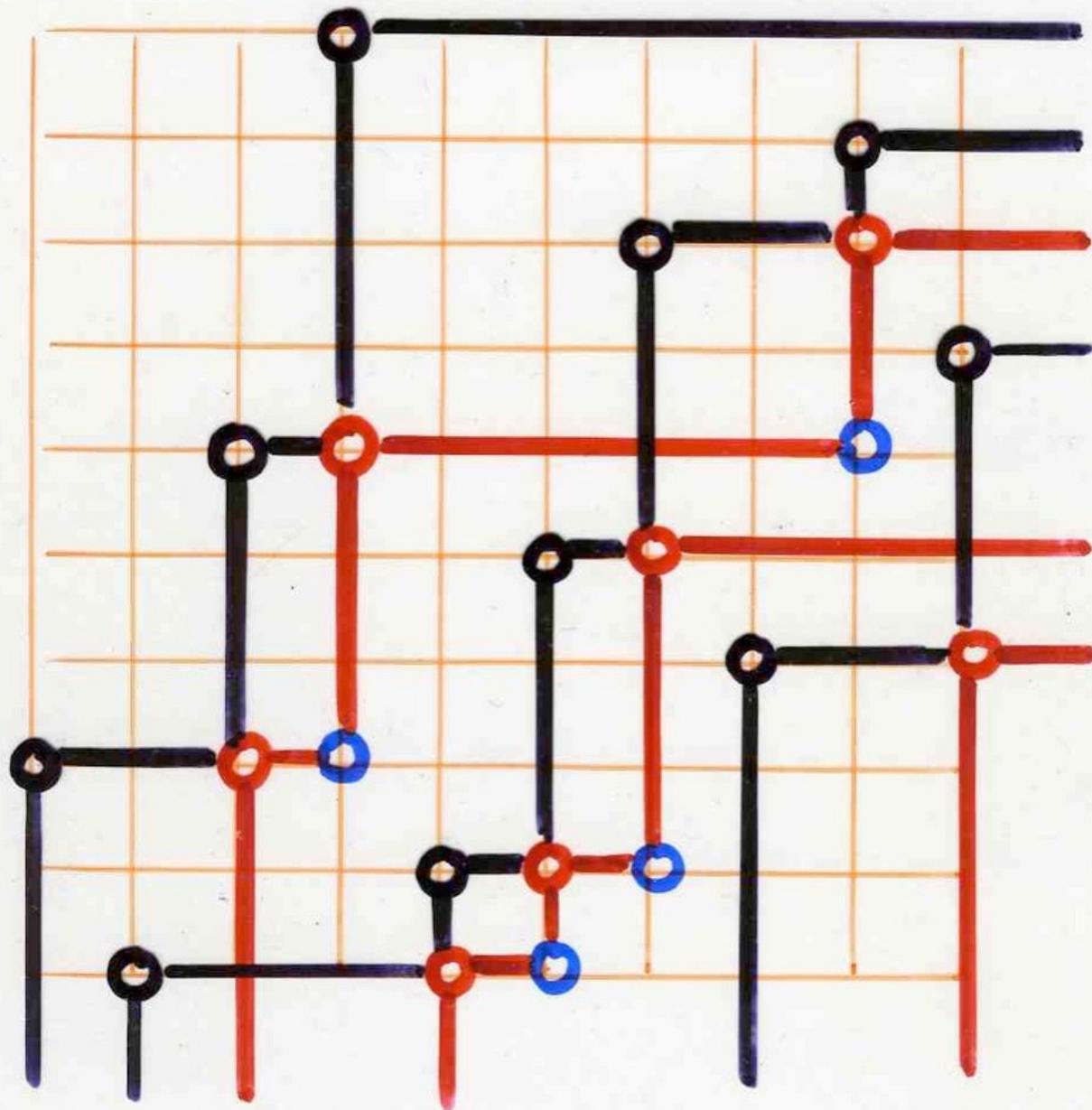
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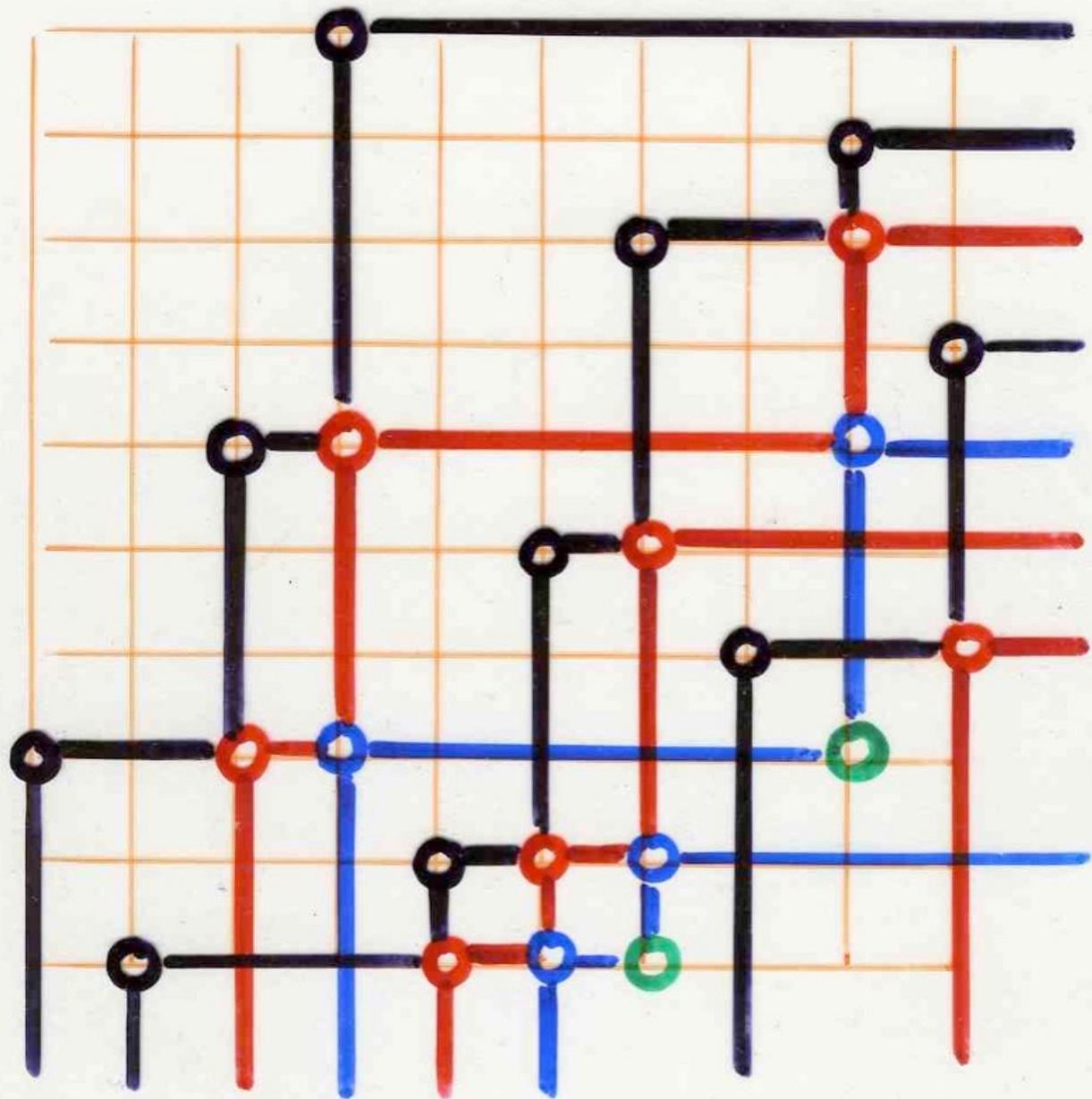
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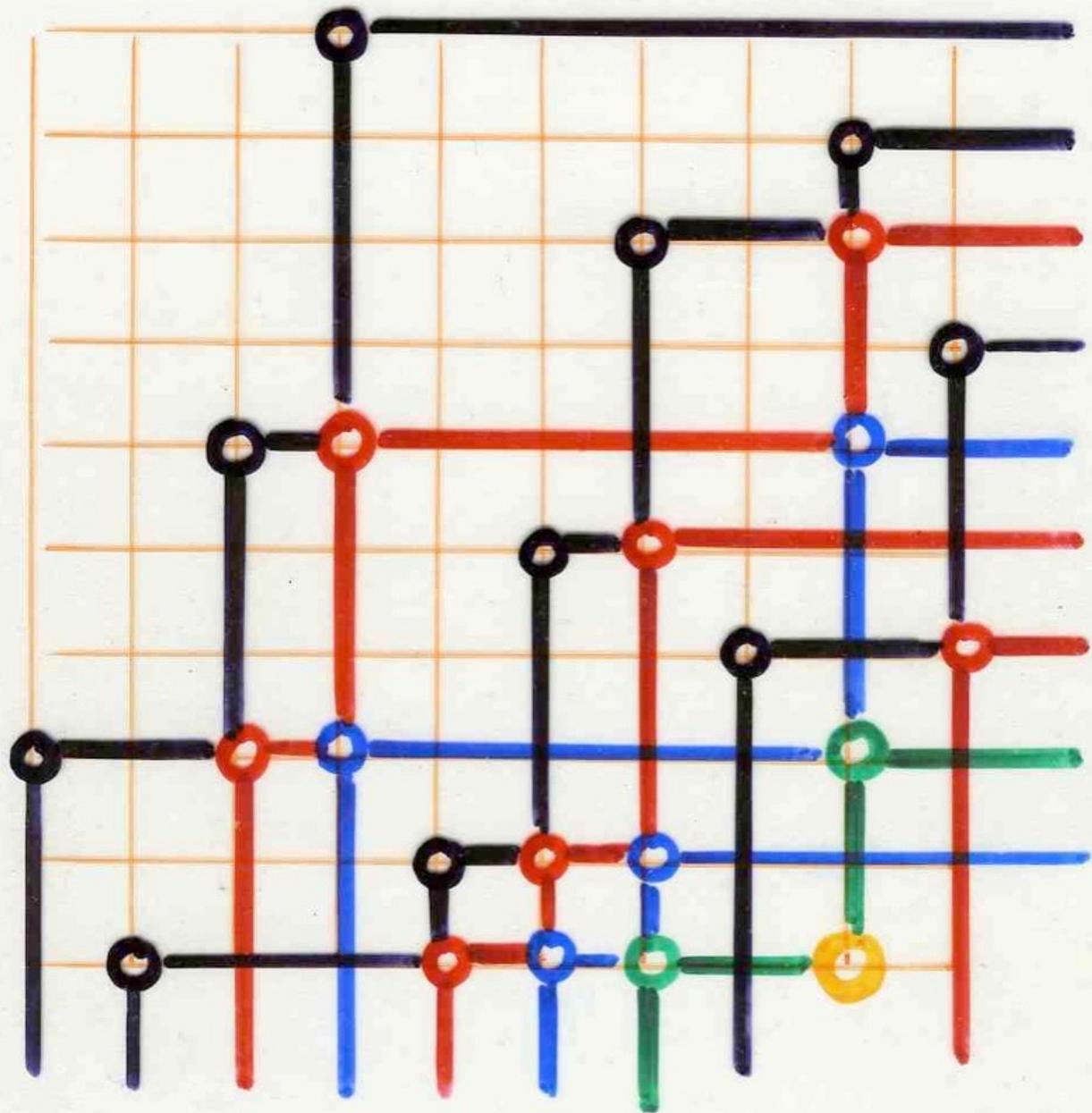


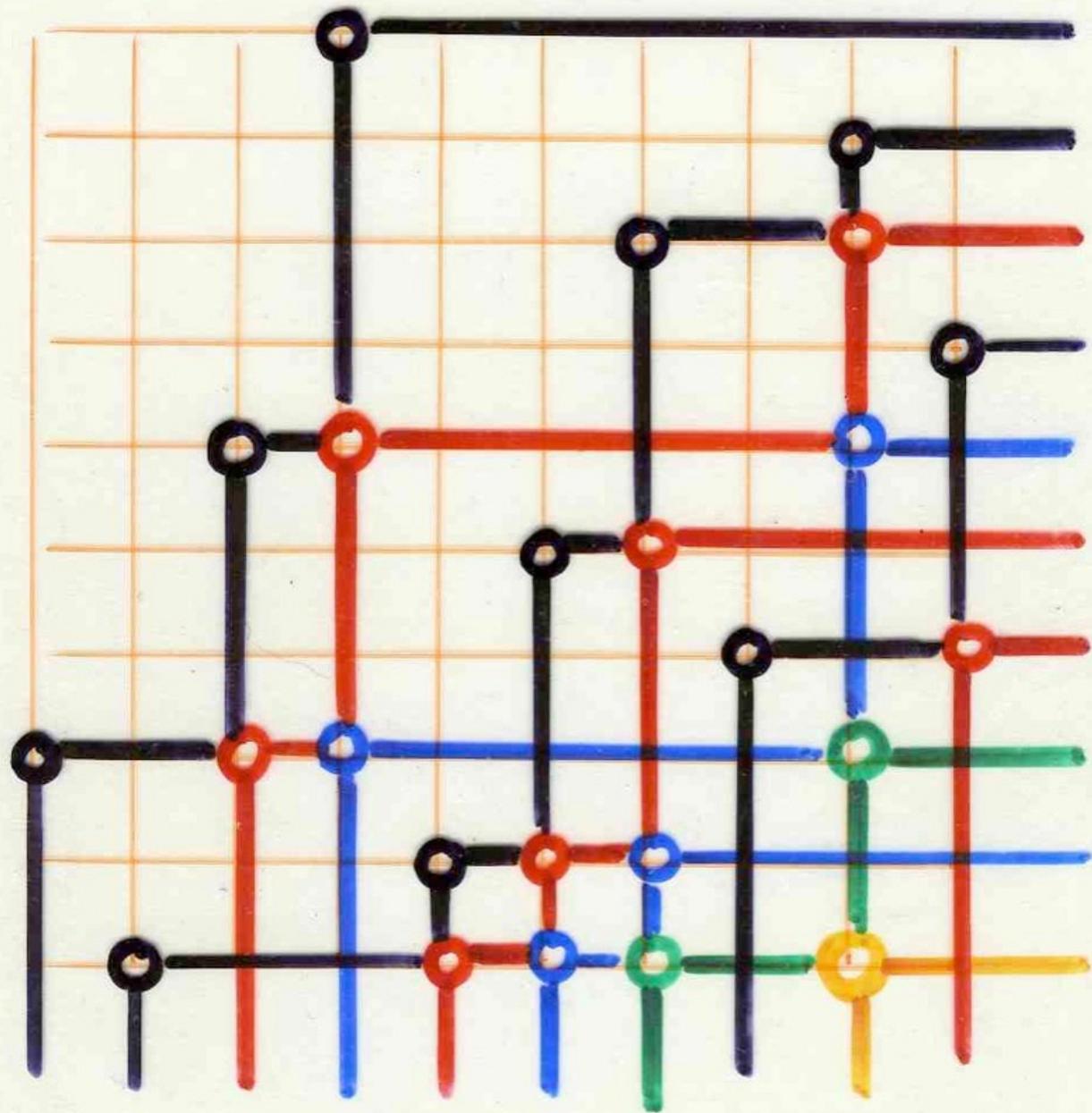


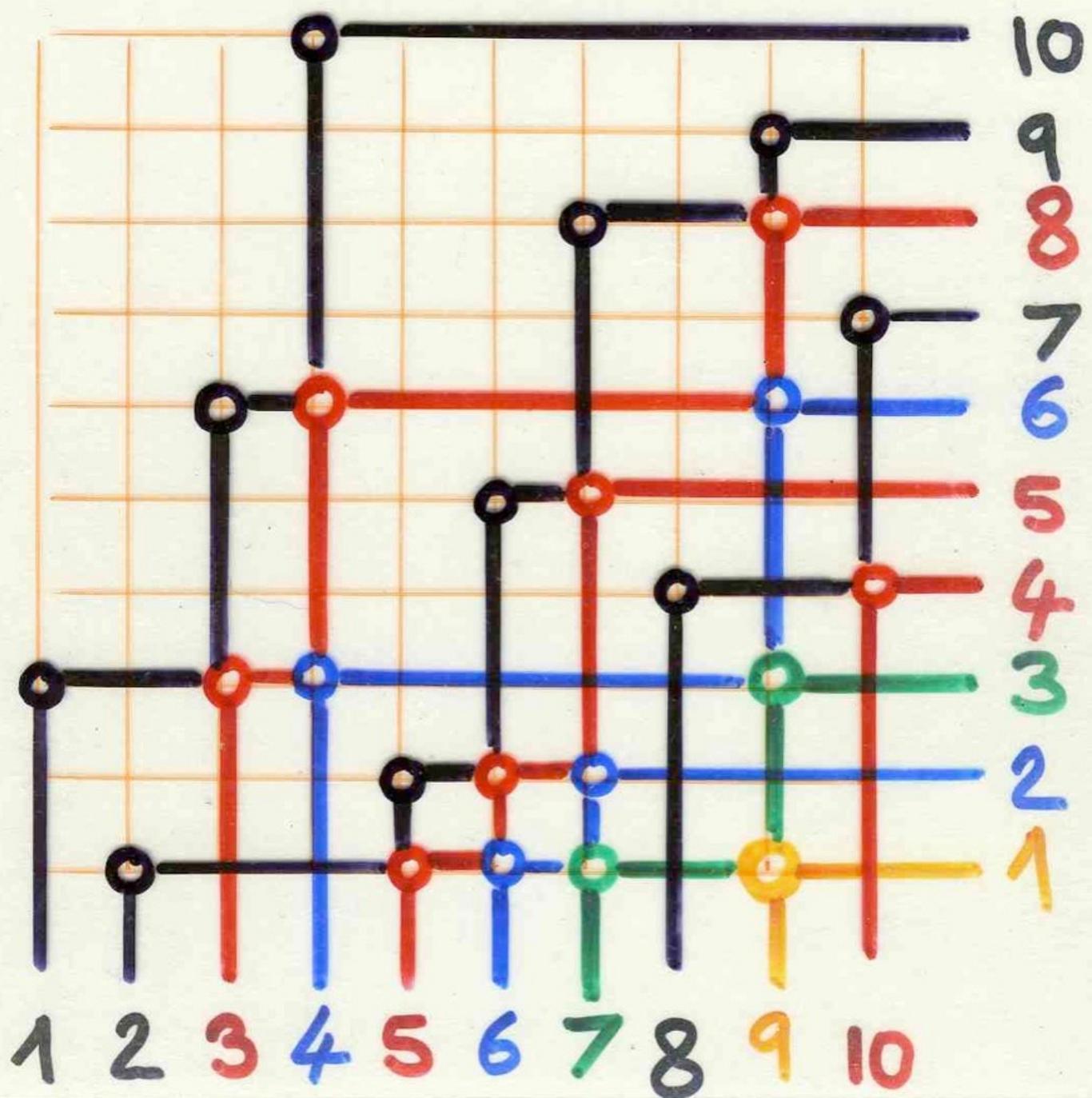












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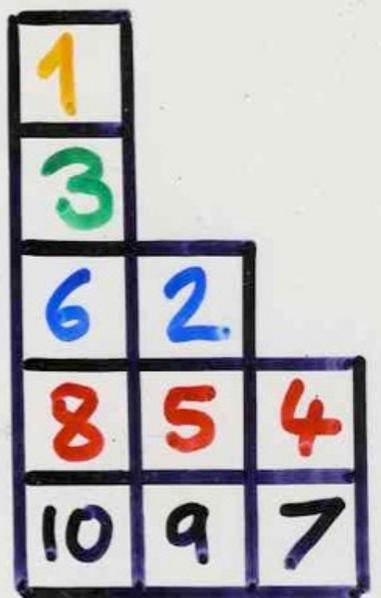
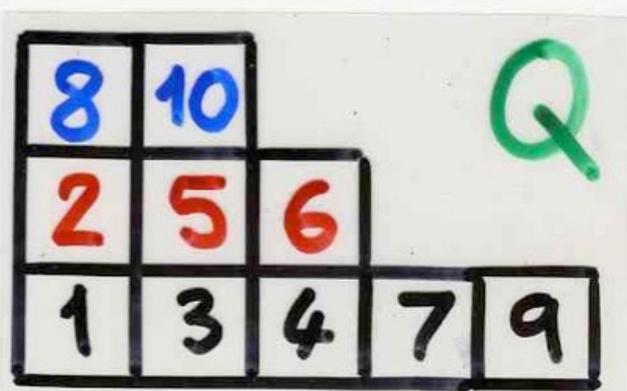
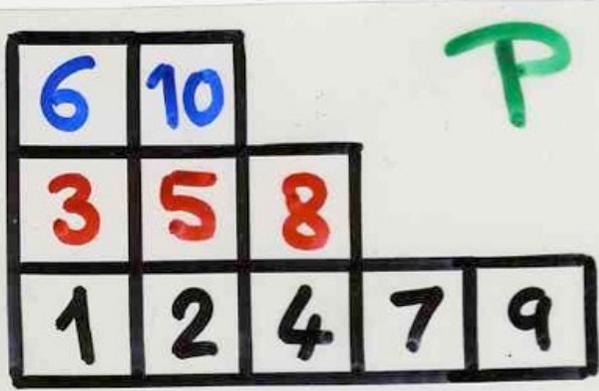
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