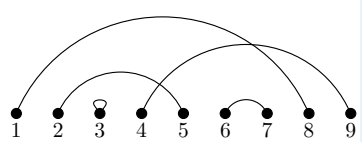


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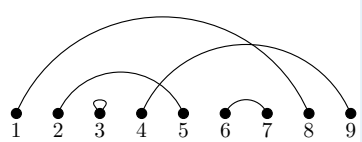
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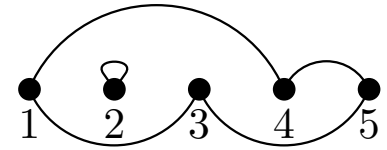
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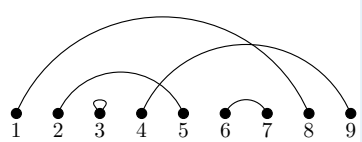
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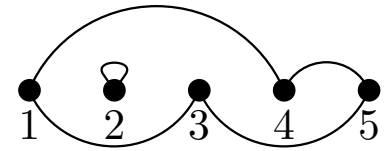
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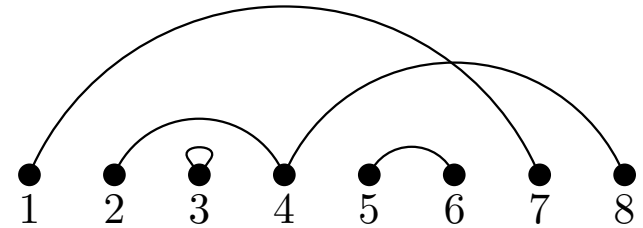
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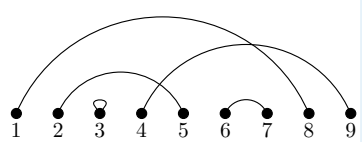
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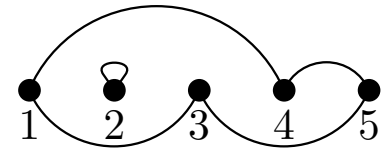
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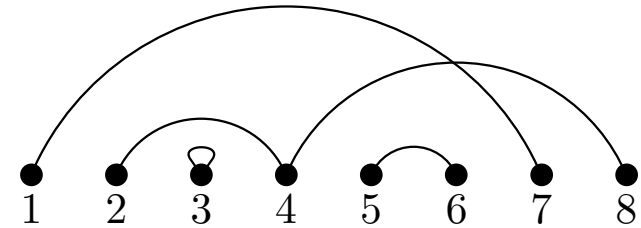
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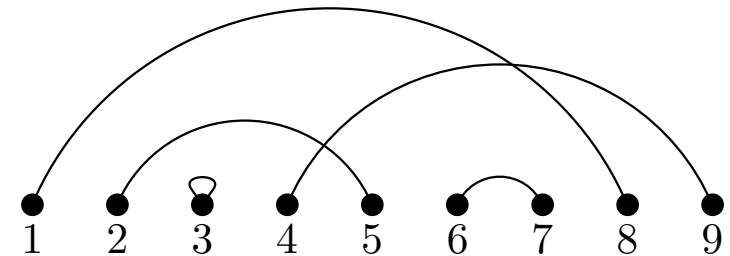
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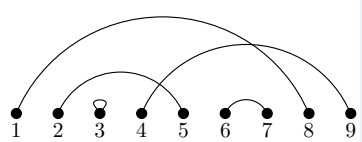


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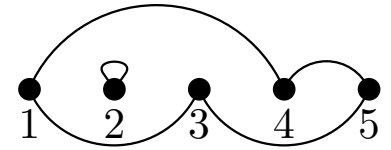
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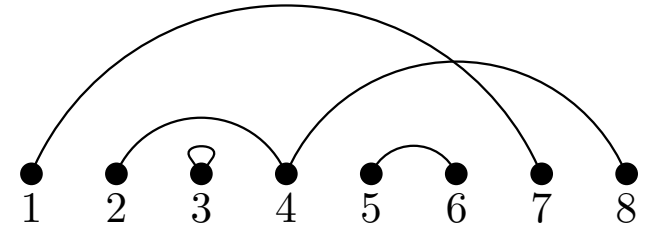
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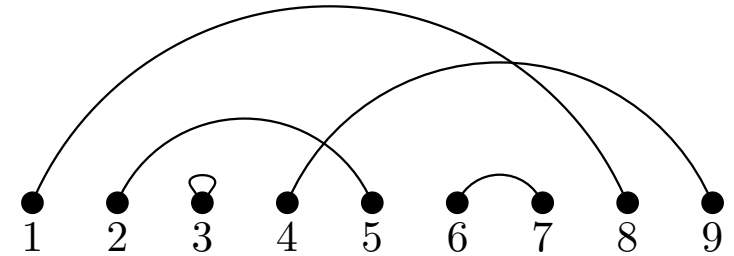
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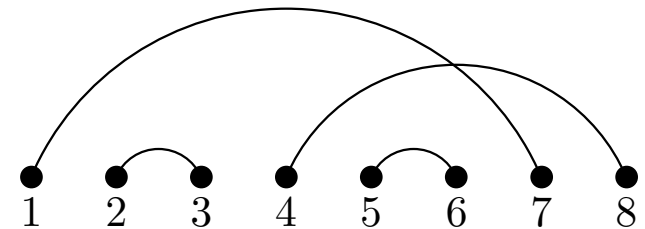
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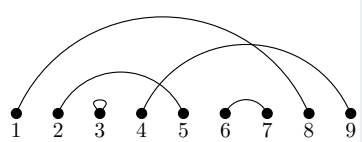


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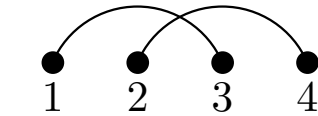
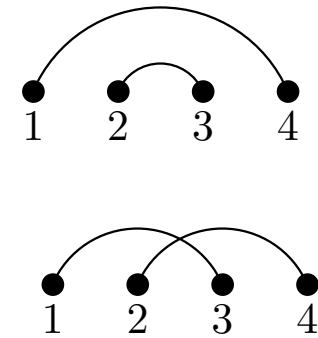
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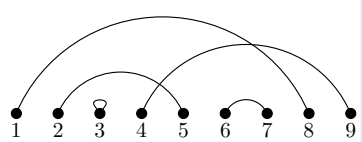
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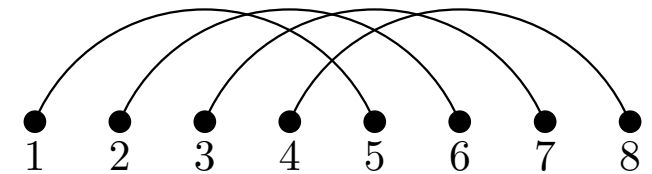
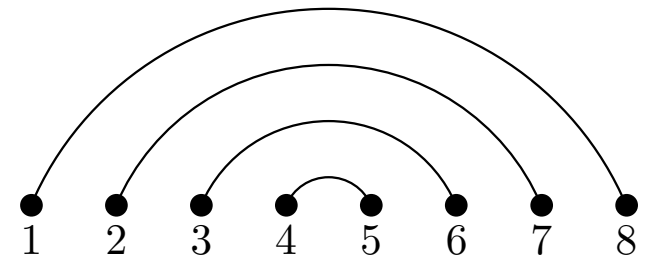
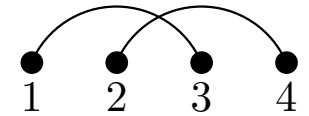
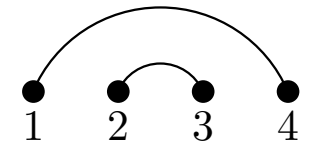
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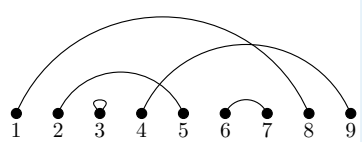
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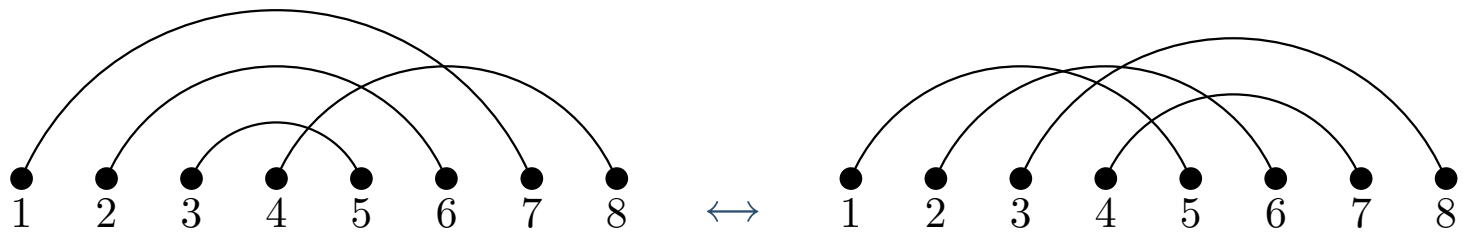






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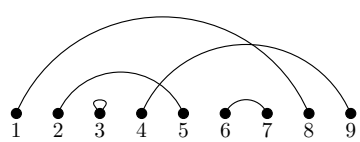
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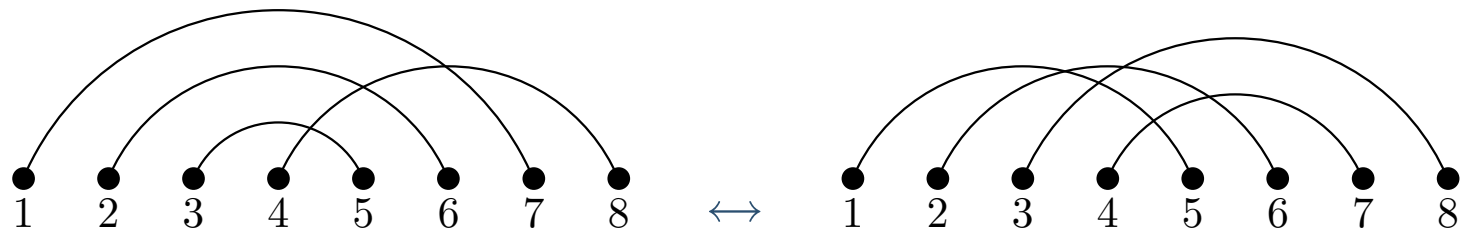
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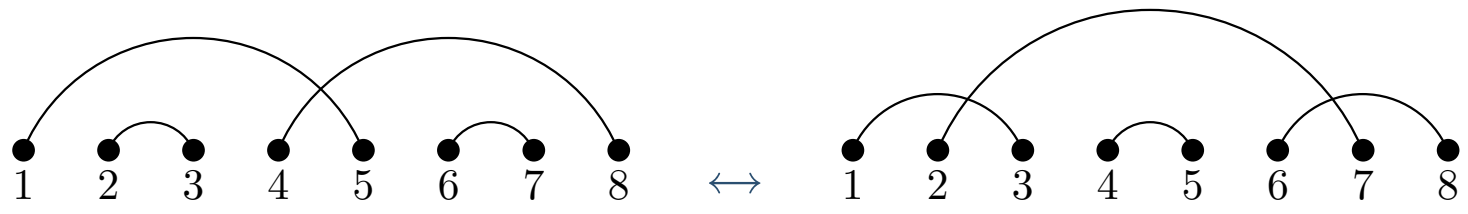
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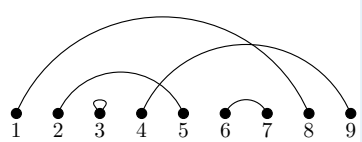
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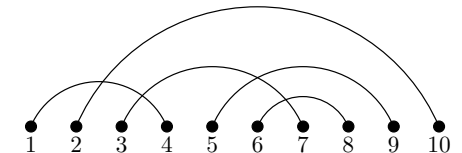
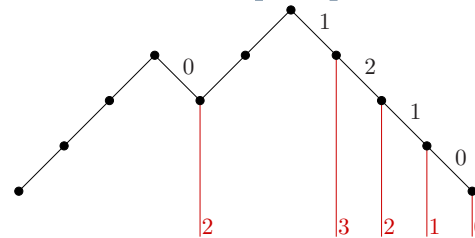
- Theorem (Kasraoui and Zeng, 2006):** Fixing objects of size  $n$ ,  $i$  crossings and  $j$  nestings  $\leftrightarrow$   $j$  crossings and  $i$  nestings.





# Weighted Dyck/Motzkin Paths

- Theorem:** Weighted Dyck paths of length  $2n$  are in bijection with matchings on  $[2n]$ .



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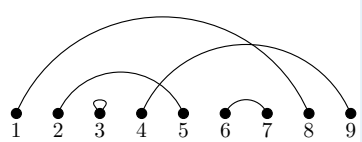
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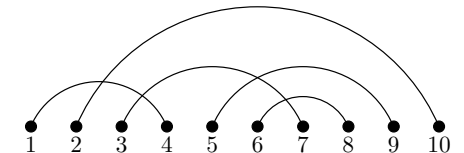
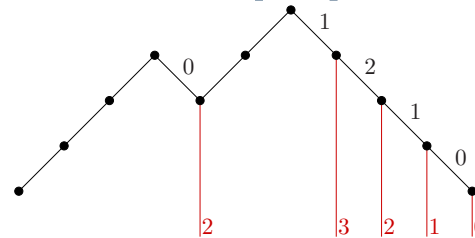
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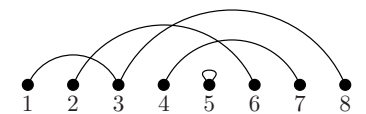
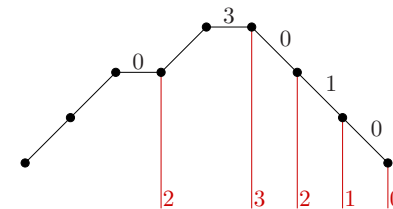
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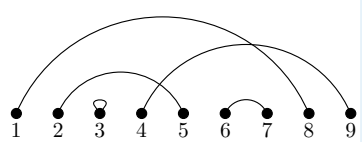
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- **Theorem:** Weighted Dyck paths of length  $2n$  are in bijection with matchings on  $[2n]$ .



- **Theorem:** Weighted Motzkin paths of length  $n$  are in bijection with set partitions on  $n$ .





# Strict 0-1 Ferrers Fillings

- Generalization of permutation matrices: fill each row & column of a Ferrers shape with exactly 1 'x'.

|   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   | X |   |   |   | 5 |
|   |   |   | X |   | 4 |
|   |   |   |   | X | 3 |
|   |   | X |   |   | 2 |
| X |   |   |   |   | 1 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |   |

|   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
|   | X |   |   |   |   | 10 |
|   |   |   | X |   |   | 9  |
|   |   |   |   | X |   | 8  |
|   |   | X |   |   |   | 7  |
| X |   |   |   |   |   | 6  |
|   |   |   |   |   | X | 5  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |    |

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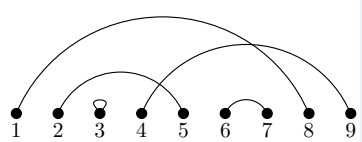
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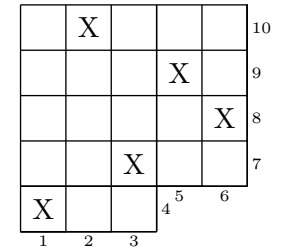
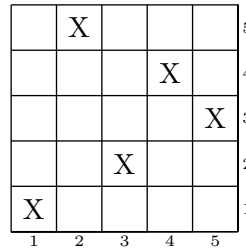
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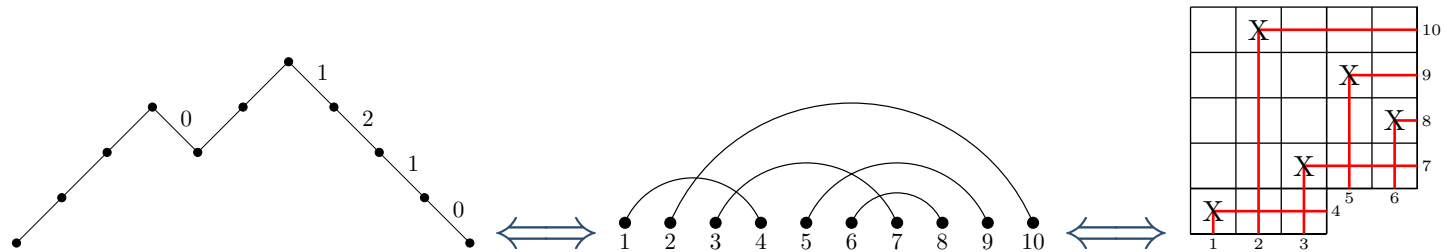


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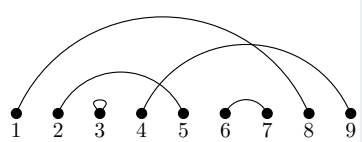
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- Filling of a Ferrers shape with  $[n]$  increasing downwards and rightwards.

|   |    |    |
|---|----|----|
| 1 | 2  | 4  |
| 3 | 6  | 7  |
| 5 | 10 | 11 |
| 8 |    |    |
| 9 |    |    |

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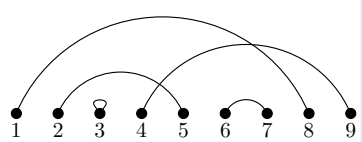
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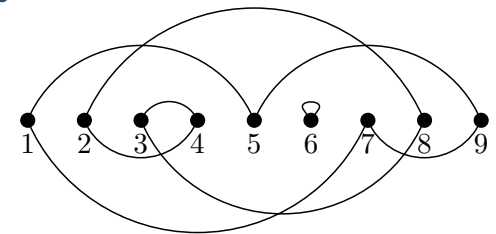
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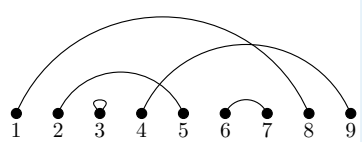
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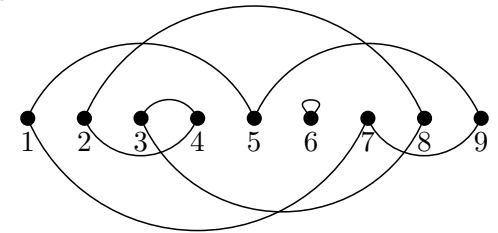
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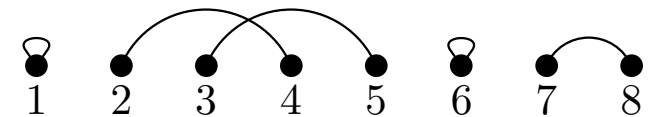
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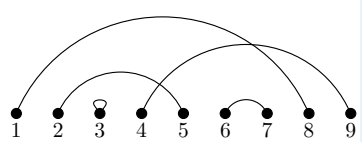
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- The case of involutions:  $\sigma \sim P, Q \iff \sigma^{-1} \sim Q, P$ .  
Therefore, SYT of size  $n$  are in bijection with involutions on  $[n]$ .

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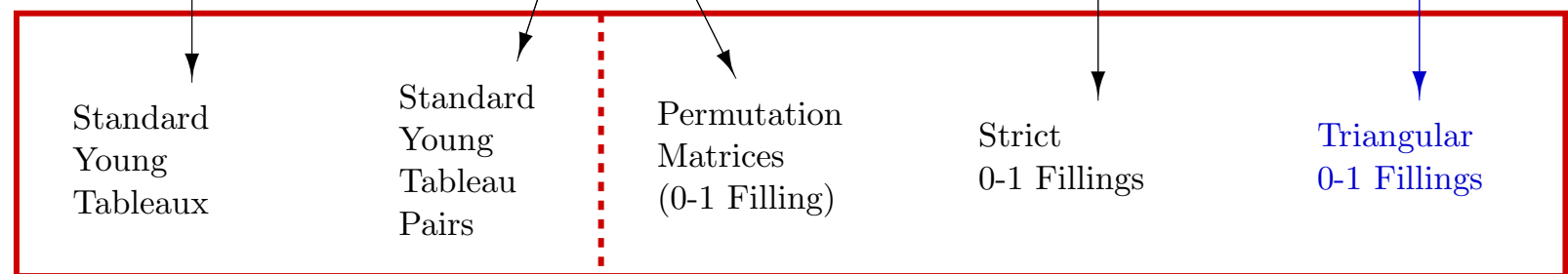
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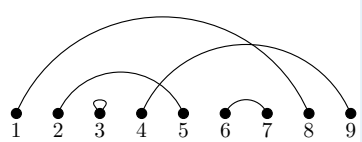
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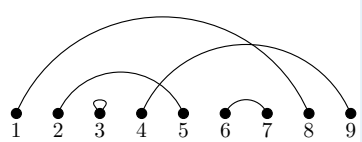
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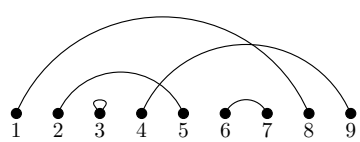
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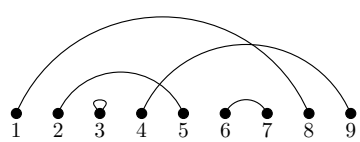
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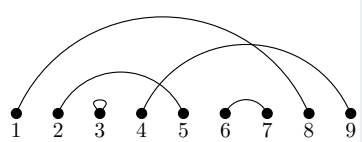
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- **Theorem (Knuth):** Any pair of permutations with the same tableau shape can be transformed into one another through a sequence of transformations.



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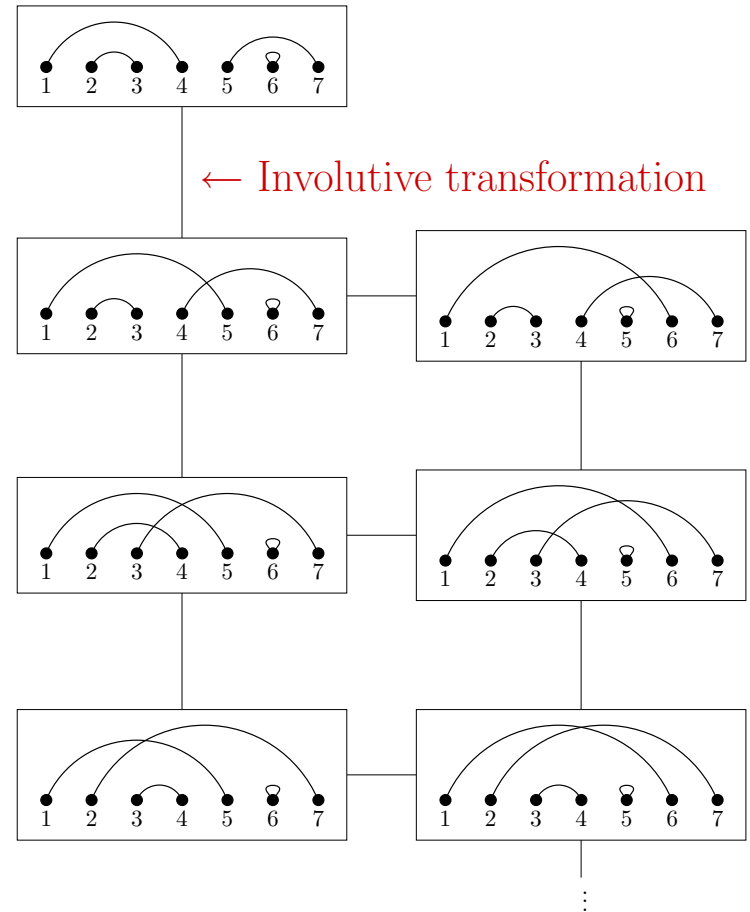
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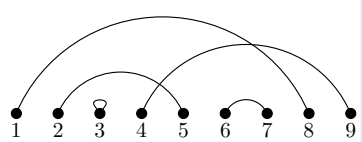
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Involutive transformations:

- Local changes between at most 3 arcs.
- Connects involutions with same shape.
- Can be used for induction.

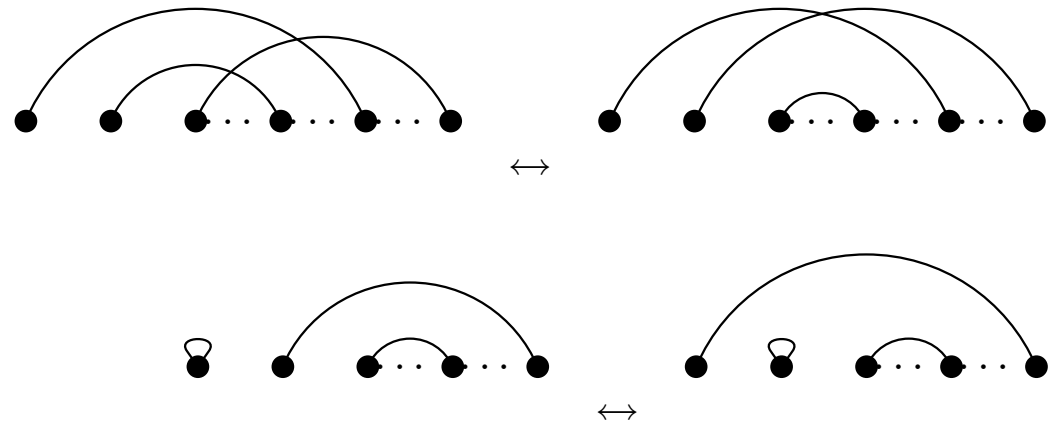




# Involutive Transformations

- Involutive transformations: Applying both a Knuth transformation and dual Knuth transformation.

- **New:** An enumeration of all involutive transformations in terms of arc diagrams:



Etc.

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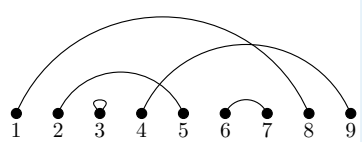
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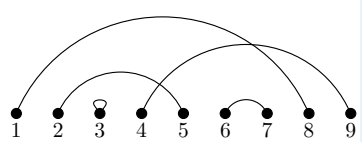
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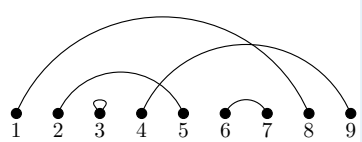
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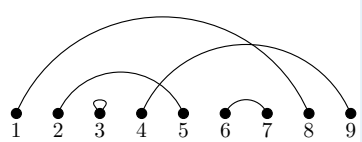
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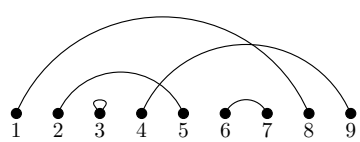
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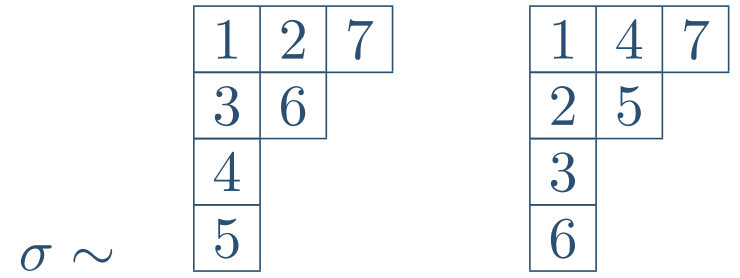
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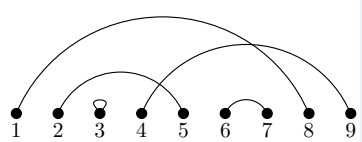
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- **Theorem (Greene, 1974):** Maximal decreasing structure of a permutation corresponds to its shape.

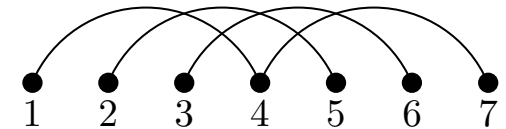
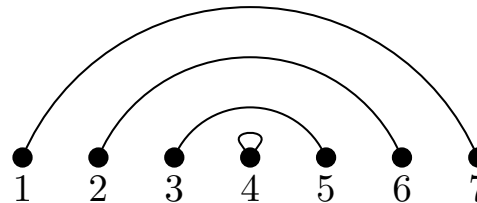
- $\sigma$ 's associated Young tableaux have column heights  $4, 2, 1 = \text{mds}(\sigma)$ :





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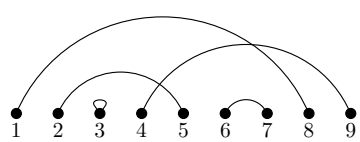
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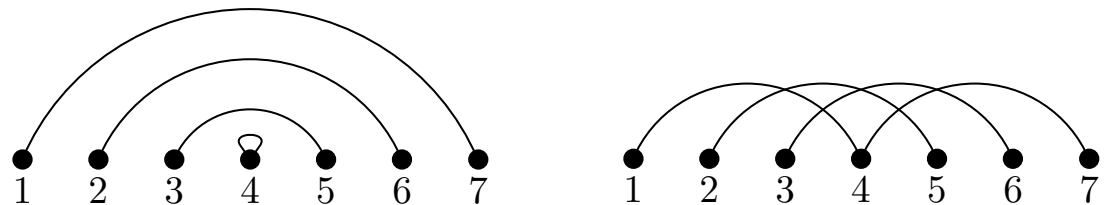
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- Alternative  $\frac{1}{2}$ -nesting interpretation: Singletons contribute  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $k$ -nestings.

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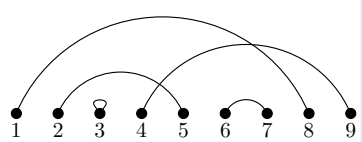
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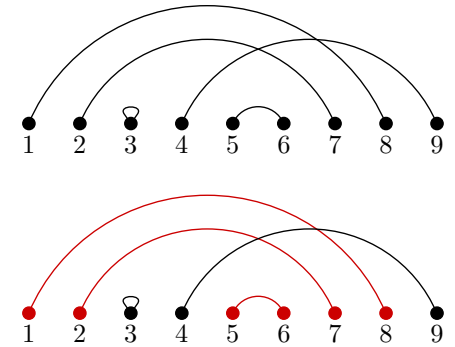


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- Example:

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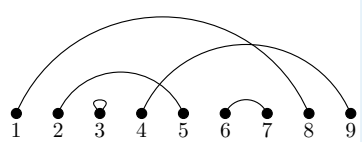
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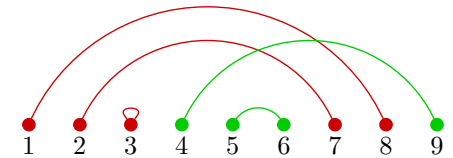
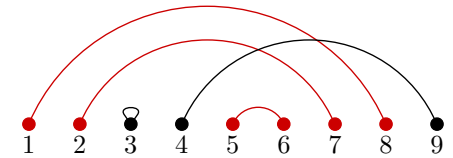
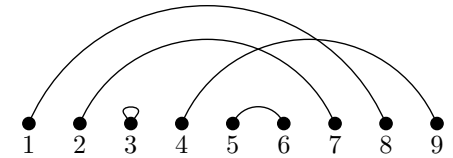
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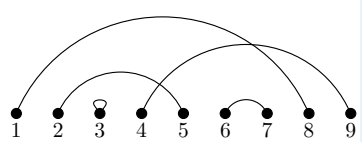
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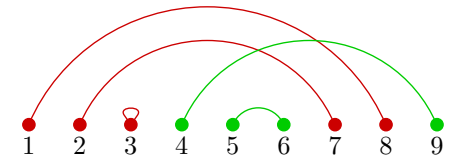
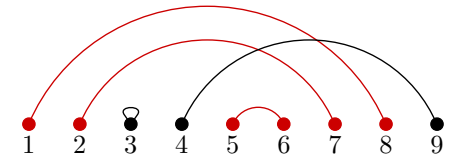
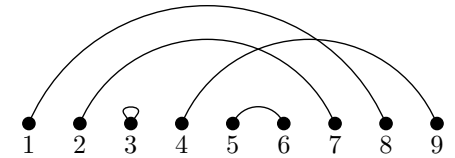


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- ◆  $2\text{mns}(\pi) = 6, 3$



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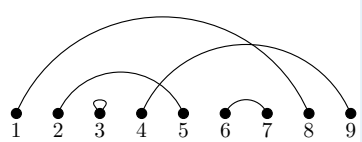
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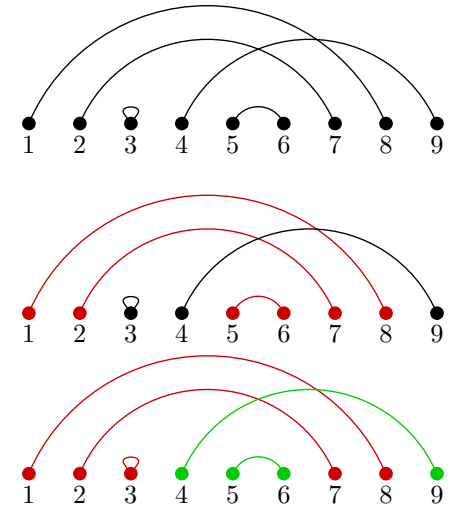
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- Theorem (New):** For involutions  $\pi$ ,  $2\text{mns}(\pi) = \text{mds}(\pi)$ .  
I.e. the MNS corresponds to the associated tableau's shape.
- The associated Young tableau has column heights  $6, 3 = 2\text{mns}(\pi)$ .



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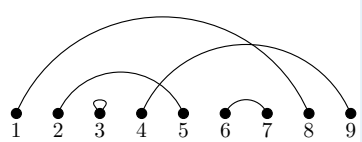
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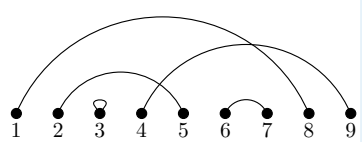
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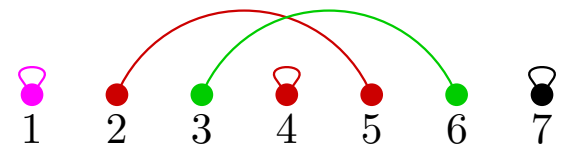
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- **Theorem (Schensted, 1961):** An involution with  $m$  singletons has a tableau shape with  $m$  odd columns.
- **Theorem (New):** If the first  $i$  columns of the tableau have  $c$  odd columns, then any maximal set of  $i$   $k$ -nestings will include  $c$  singletons.
- **Example:**



|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 7 |
| 4 | 6 |   |   |
| 5 |   |   |   |

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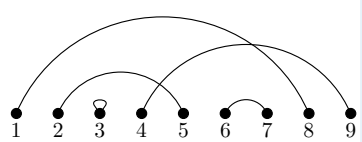
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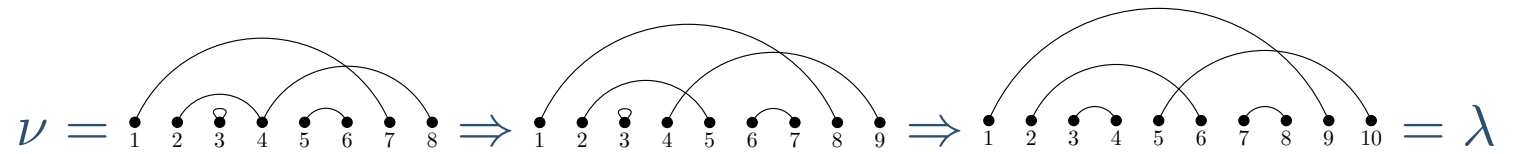
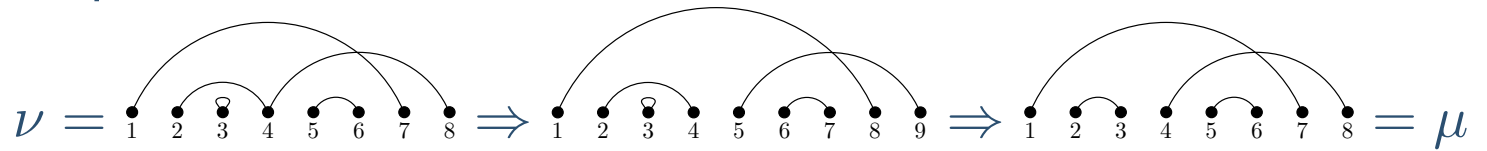
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- Example for set partitions, using strong and weak interpretations:



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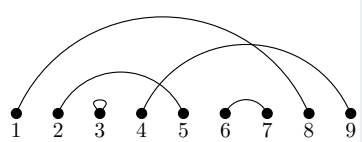
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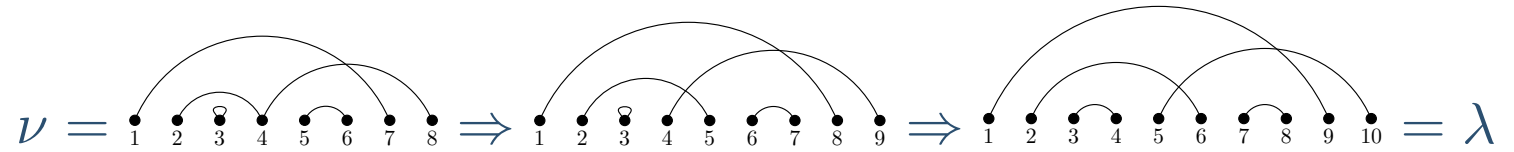
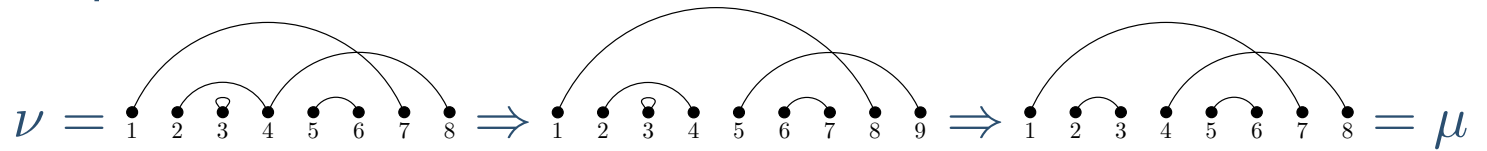
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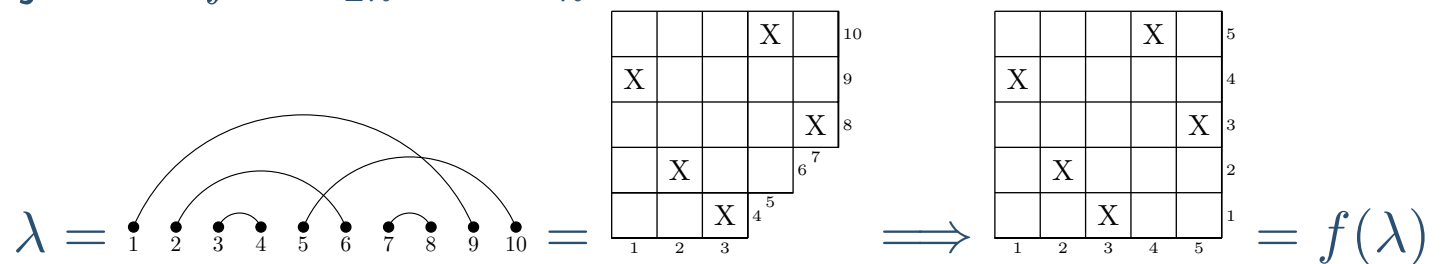


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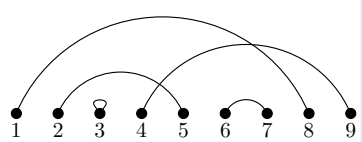
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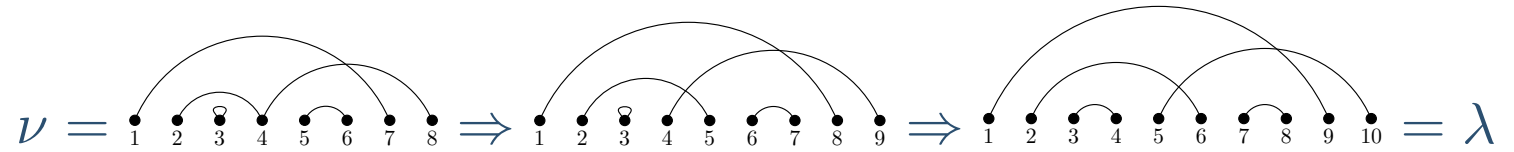
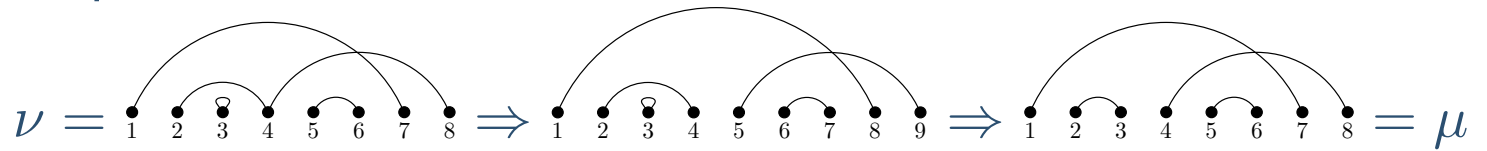
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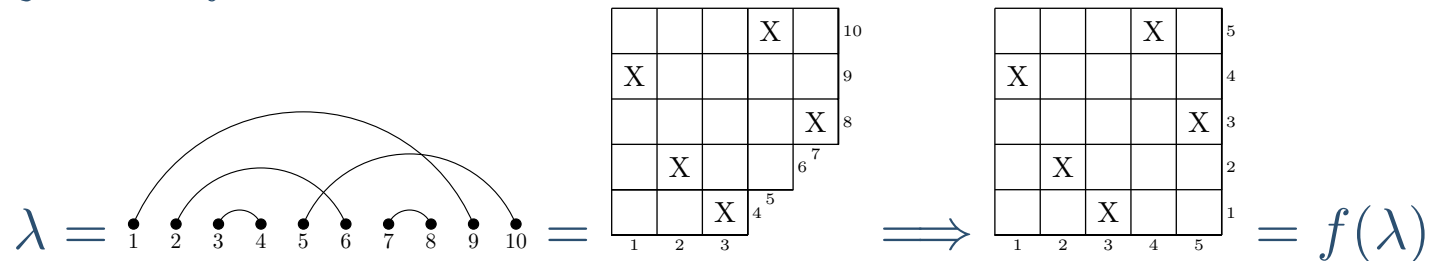


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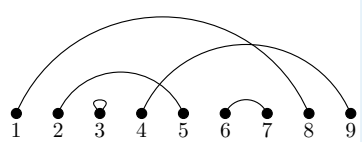
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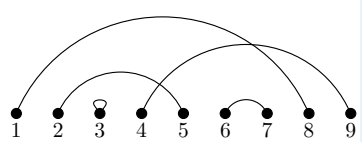
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- Direct Greene-like result on the MNS of involutions and their shape.
- Clarifies the connection between the MNS of set partitions and permutation shapes.
- Involutive transformations give a tool for manipulating arc diagrams.
- Clarifies Reifegerste's work on Knuth transformations in terms of tableaux.



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## Arc Diagrams

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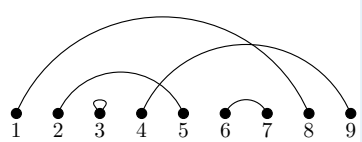
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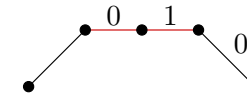
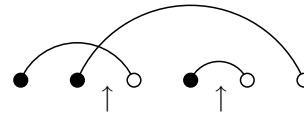
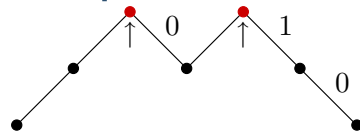
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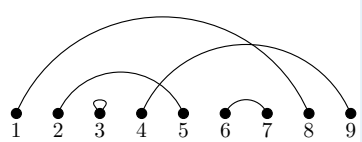
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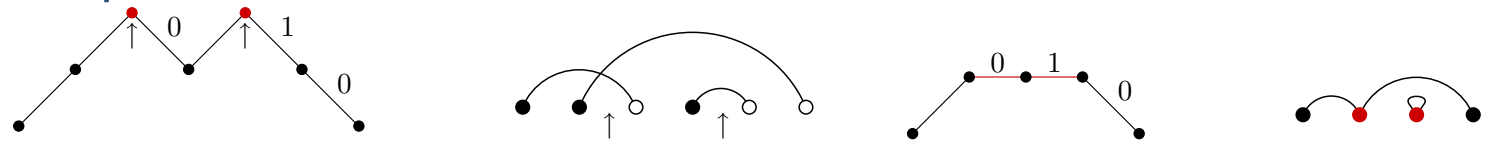
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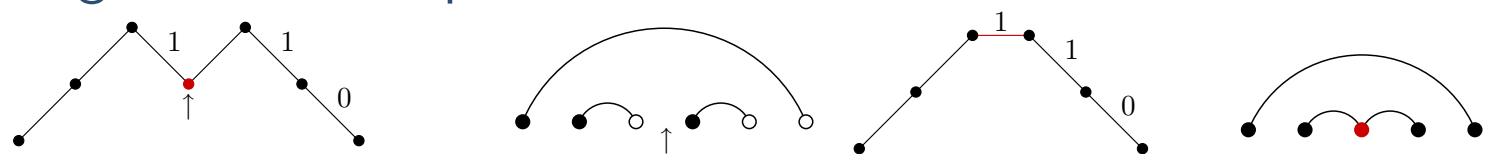
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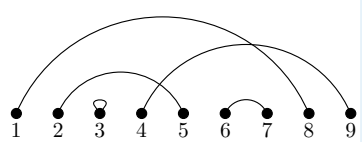


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- **Theorem:** Weighted Dyck paths with bicoloured valleys  $\leftrightarrow$  singleton free set partitions.



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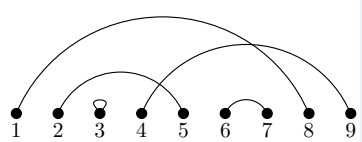
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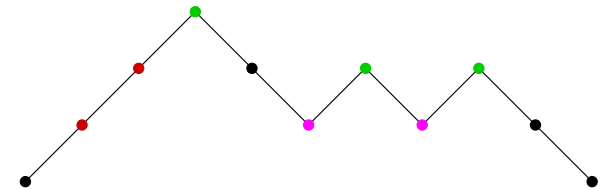
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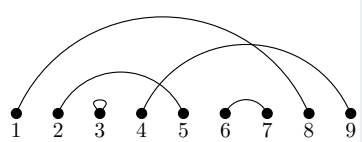
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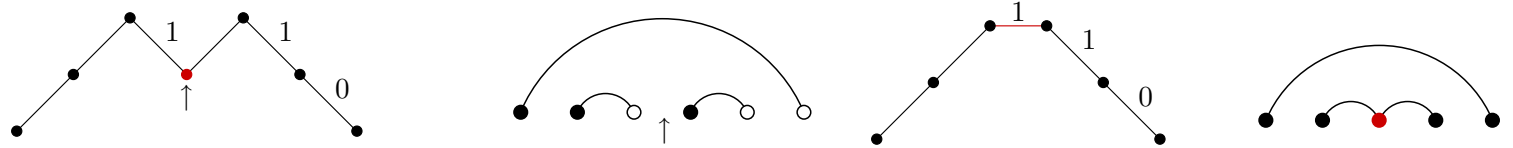
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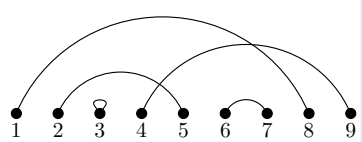
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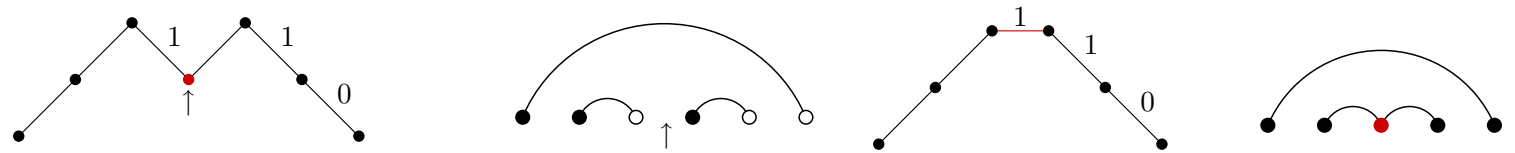
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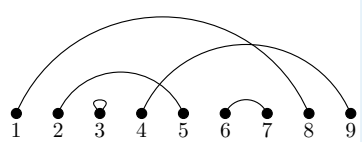
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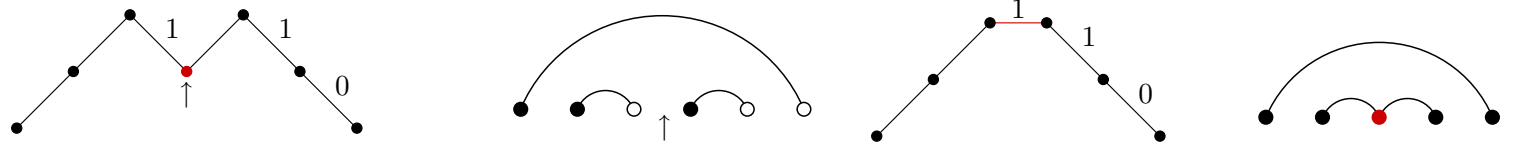
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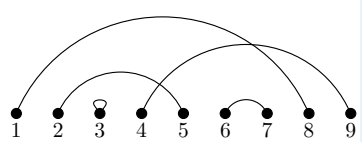
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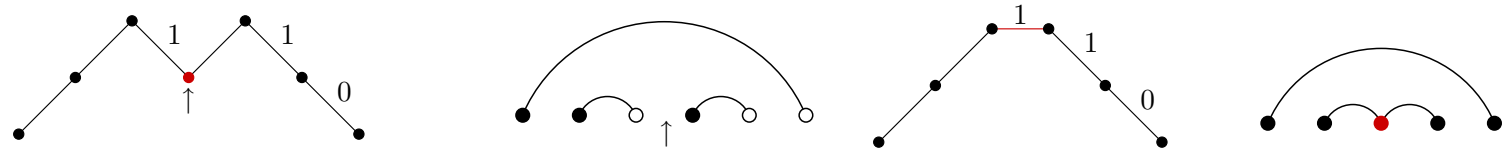
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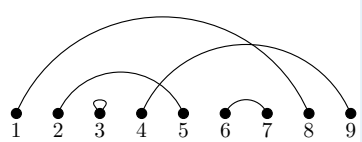


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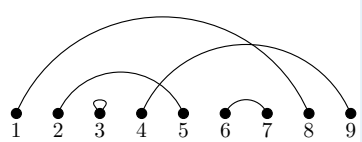
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- Required “components” :
  - ◆ A *structure*: sets, sequences, cycles, ...
  - ◆ Can create *matching like objects*.
  - ◆ A bicoloured *feature* bijection between matching like objects and singleton free sets of structures.
  
- Example:
  - ◆ Sets (a structure)
  - ◆ Weighted Dyck paths (matchings)
  - ◆ Valleys (features)



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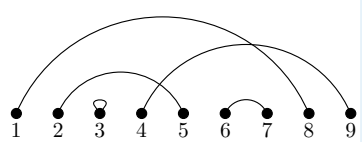
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- ◆  $B(n, k)$ : # of matching-like objects on  $[2n]$  with  $k$  features.

## ■ Theorem (New):

$$V^0(n + k, k) = \sum_j \binom{j}{n-k} B(n, j)$$

$$V(n, n - k) = \sum_j \binom{n+j}{2k} B(k, j)$$

$$B(n, k) = \sum_i (-1)^{n-k+i} \binom{n-i}{k} V^0(n + i, i)$$



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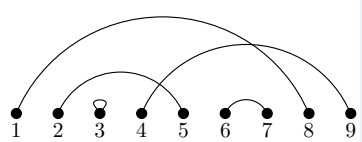
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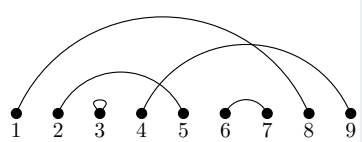
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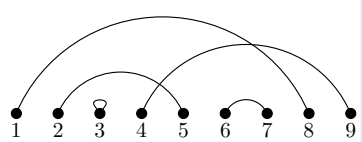
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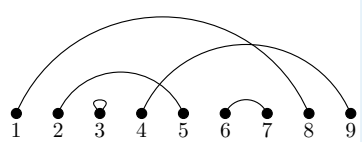
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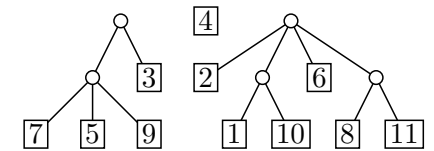
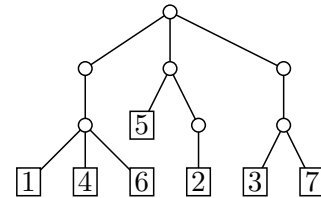
- Handles many statistics.
- Combinatorial interpretations of identities.
- Aids discovery of new bijections.





# Other Results

- Theorem (New):** Semilabled structured trees and semilabeled structured series-reduced forests are in bijection with sets of structures, transporting many statistics.



- Extends results of Diaconis and Holmes, Erdős and Székely.

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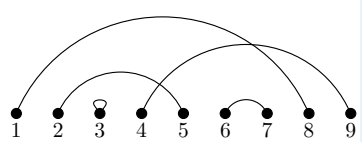
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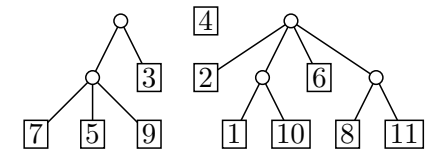
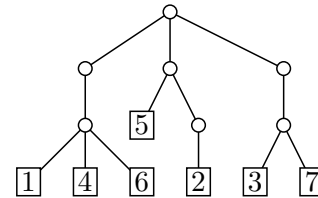
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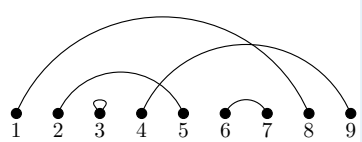
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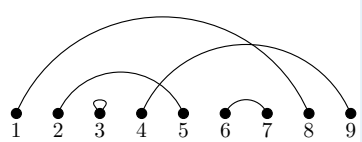
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