On parking functions and the zeta map in types B, C and D

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Abstract

Let Φ be an irreducible crystallographic root system with Weyl group W, coroot lattice \check{Q} and Coxeter number h. Recently the second named author defined a uniform W-isomorphism ζ between the finite torus $\check{Q}/(mh+1)\check{Q}$ and the set of non-nesting parking functions $\operatorname{Park}^{(m)}(\Phi)$. If Φ is of type A_{n-1} and m = 1 this map is equivalent to a map defined on labelled Dyck paths that arises in the study of the Hilbert series of the space of diagonal harmonics.

In this paper we investigate the case m = 1 for the other infinite families of root systems $(B_n, C_n \text{ and } D_n)$. In each type we define models for the finite torus and for the set of non-nesting parking functions in terms of labelled lattice paths. The map ζ can then be viewed as a map between these combinatorial objects. Our work entails new bijections between (square) lattice paths and ballot paths.

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1 Introduction

1.1 The space of diagonal harmonics

One of the most well-studied objects in algebraic combinatorics is the space of diagonal harmonics of the symmetric group \mathfrak{S}_n . Its Hilbert series has two combinatorial interpretations [9, Conj. 5.2], [8]:

$$\mathcal{DH}(n;q,t) = \sum_{(P,v)\in \operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1})} q^{\operatorname{dinv}'(P,v)} t^{\operatorname{area}(P,v)} = \sum_{(D,w)\in \operatorname{Diag}(A_{n-1})} q^{\operatorname{area}'(D,w)} t^{\operatorname{bounce}(D,w)},$$

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where $\operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1})$ is the set of *parking functions* of length n, viewed as vertically labelled Dyck paths, and $\operatorname{Diag}(A_{n-1})$ is the set of *diagonally labelled* Dyck paths with 2n steps. There is a bijection ζ_A due to Haglund and Loehr [10] that maps $\operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1})$ to $\operatorname{Diag}(A_{n-1})$ and sends the bistatistic (dinv', area) to (area', bounce), demonstrating the second equality.

1.2 The zeta map beyond type A

The combinatorial objects $\operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1})$ and $\operatorname{Diag}(A_{n-1})$ may be viewed as corresponding to the type A_{n-1} cases of more general algebraic objects associated to any irreducible crystallographic root system Φ . These are, respectively, the *finite torus* $\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$ and the set of *non-nesting parking functions* $\operatorname{Park}(\Phi)$ of Φ . Here \check{Q} is the coroot lattice and his the Coxeter number of Φ .

Recently, the second named author has defined a uniform bijection ζ from $\dot{Q}/(h+1)\dot{Q}$ to Park(Φ) [22, Thm. 15.4]. Its most salient property is that it commutes with the action of the Weyl group W of Φ on both sets. In type A_{n-1} , the uniform map ζ corresponds to the combinatorial map ζ_A [22, Thm. 16.3]. This is illustrated by the following commutative diagram of bijections:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1}) & & & \\ \psi & & & \\ \psi & & & \\ \tilde{Q}/(n+1)\tilde{Q} & & \\ \zeta & & \\ \end{array} \xrightarrow{\zeta} \operatorname{Park}(\Phi)
\end{array}$$

The sets $\operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1})$ and $\operatorname{Diag}(A_{n-1})$ as well as the map ζ_A are defined in Section 2.8. Moreover, the maps ψ and φ as well as the connection to classical parking functions are illustrated for type A_2 in Table 1 in the appendix.

In this paper, for each of the other classical types B_n, C_n and D_n , we define combinatorial models for $\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$ and $\operatorname{Park}(\Phi)$, in terms of vertically labelled paths and diagonally labelled paths respectively. Furthermore, we define the combinatorial bijections ζ_B, ζ_C , and ζ_D which correspond to the uniform bijection ζ in those types.

Besides their meaning in the theory of reflection groups these maps can also be appreciated from a purely combinatorial point of view. As such ζ_B and ζ_C are new bijections between lattice paths in an $n \times n$ -square and ballot paths with 2n steps, both of which are well-known to be counted by the central binomial coefficients $\binom{2n}{n}$. Furthermore ζ_D is a new bijection between lattice paths in an $(n-1) \times n$ rectangle and ballot paths with 2n-1 steps.

Furthermore we introduce a uniform statistic dinv' defined on the elements of the finite torus. Using the zeta map we prove that this dinv statistic is equivalent to a known area-like statistic defined on the regions of the Shi arrangement, which is conjectured to be related to the Hilbert series of diagonal harmonics in other types. While the space of diagonal harmonics can be generalised beyond type A_{n-1} , combinatorial interpretations

for the arising Hilbert series are still missing in other types. It is our hope that the ideas presented in this paper will facilitate further progress in this regard.

1.3 Outline

This paper is structured as follows. In Section 2 we present the needed facts about Weyl groups and root systems. In particular we recall the relations between objects such as the Shi arrangement, the finite torus and the non-nesting parking functions, and discuss in detail the definition of the uniform zeta map. In Section 3 we turn our attention to the root systems of types B_n, C_n and D_n . In particular we recall the combinatorial models for their affine Weyl groups in terms of affine permutations and show how to obtain the decomposition of an affine permutation into a product of an element of the Weyl group and a translation by an element in the coroot lattice combinatorially.

We then develop the combinatorics of the zeta map of type C_n in Section 4, type D_n in Section 5 and type B_n in Section 6. Each of these sections is structured similarly. First we define combinatorial models for the finite torus in terms of (labelled) lattice paths and the non-nesting parking functions in terms of (labelled) ballot paths. Secondly we define an area vector, a diagonal reading word and two versions of a combinatorial zeta map, one between labelled objects and one between unlabelled objects. We then prove that the combinatorial zeta map coincides with the uniform zeta map of the given type, and is thus a bijection. Section 4 includes an alternative description of the zeta map of type C_n akin to the sweep map of Armstrong, Loehr and Warrington [3].

In Section 7 we define the uniform dinv statistic on the finite torus and prove that it is equivalent to an area statistic on the set of non-nesting parking functions via the zeta map.

Finally, in Section 8 we offer some possible directions for further research.

An extended abstract [20] of this paper containing mostly the results of Section 4 has appeared in the conference proceedings of FPSAC 2015 in Daejeon. The results presented in this paper are also discussed in the thesis of the first named author [19].

2 Definitions and Preliminaries

Given $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we set $[n] = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ and $[\pm n] = [n] \cup \{-i : i \in [n]\}.$

2.1 Root systems and Weyl groups

Let Φ be an irreducible crystallographic root system of rank r, with simple system $\Delta = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r\}$, positive system Φ^+ and ambient space V. For background on root systems and reflection groups see [12]. For $\alpha \in \Phi$, let s_{α} be the reflection in the hyperplane

$$H_{\alpha} = \{ x \in V : \langle x, \alpha \rangle = 0 \}.$$

Then the Weyl group W of Φ is the group of linear automorphisms of V generated by all the s_{α} with $\alpha \in \Phi$. Define the Coxeter arrangement of Φ as the central hyperplane arrangement in V consisting of all the hyperplanes H_{α} for $\alpha \in \Phi$. The connected components of the complement of the union of these hyperplanes are called *chambers*. The Weyl group W acts simply transitively on the chambers, so we define the *dominant chamber* as

$$C = \{ x \in V : \langle x, \alpha \rangle > 0 \text{ for all } \alpha \in \Delta \}$$

and write every chamber as wC for a unique $w \in W$.

The Weyl group W is a Coxeter group generated by $S = \{s_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$. If $I \subseteq \Delta$, we call $W_I = \langle \{s_{\alpha} : \alpha \in I\} \rangle$ a standard parabolic subgroup of W. A parabolic subgroup is any subgroup conjugate to a standard parabolic subgroup.

2.2 The affine Weyl group

Define a partial order on Φ^+ by letting $\alpha \leq \beta$ if and only if $\beta - \alpha$ can be written as a sum of positive roots. The set Φ^+ with this partial order is called the *root poset* of Φ . It has a unique maximal element, called the *highest root* $\tilde{\alpha}$. Write $\tilde{\alpha} = \sum_{i=1}^r c_i \alpha_i$ and define the *Coxeter number* of Φ as $h = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^r c_i$.

For $\alpha \in \Phi$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, let $s_{\alpha,k}$ be the reflection in the affine hyperplane

$$H_{\alpha,k} = \{ x \in V : \langle x, \alpha \rangle = k \}.$$

Then the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} of Φ is the group of affine transformations of V generated by all the $s_{\alpha,k}$ for $\alpha \in \Phi$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Define the affine Coxeter arrangement as the affine hyperplane arrangement in V consisting of all the $H_{\alpha,k}$ for $\alpha \in \Phi$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. The connected components of the complement of the union of these hyperplanes are called alcoves. The affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} acts simply transitively on the alcoves, so we define the fundamental alcove as

$$A_{\circ} = \left\{ x \in V : \langle x, \alpha \rangle > 0 \text{ for all } \alpha \in \Delta \text{ and } \langle x, \tilde{\alpha} \rangle < 1 \right\}$$

and write every alcove as $\widetilde{w}A_{\circ}$ for a unique $\widetilde{w} \in \widetilde{W}$.

For each root $\alpha \in \Phi$ we define its coroot as $\alpha^{\vee} = 2\alpha/\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle$. The coroot lattice \check{Q} of Φ is the integer span of the coroots. The simple coroots are a natural lattice basis for it: $\check{Q} = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathbb{Z} \alpha^{\vee}$. The affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} acts faithfully on the coroot lattice \check{Q} . To each coroot lattice point $\mu \in \check{Q}$ corresponds a translation $t_{\mu} : V \to V$ given by $t_{\mu}(x) = x + \mu$. If we identify \check{Q} with its translation group we may write $\widetilde{W} = W \ltimes \check{Q}$ as a semi-direct product.

The affine Weyl group is also a Coxeter group with generating set $\widetilde{S} = S \cup \{s_{\tilde{\alpha},1}\}$. The Weyl group $W = \langle S \rangle$ is a standard parabolic subgroup of the Coxeter group W. Each (left) coset in the quotient \widetilde{W}/W contains a unique element of minimal length. The minimal length representatives are called *(left) Graßmannian*. An element $\widetilde{W} \in \widetilde{W}$ is Graßmannian if and only if the alcove $\widetilde{W}^{-1}A_{\circ}$ lies in the dominant chamber.

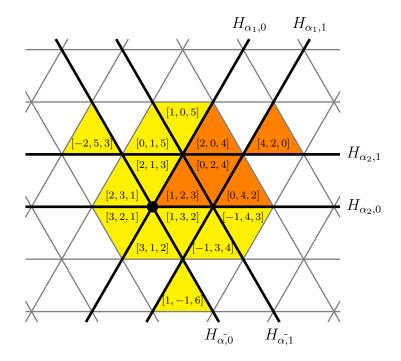


Figure 1: The 16 regions of the Shi arrangement of type A_2 with their minimal alcoves. The minimal alcoves of the 5 dominant regions are coloured orange.

2.3 The Shi arrangement

Define the *Shi arrangement* as the hyperplane arrangement consisting of the hyperplanes $H_{\alpha,k}$ for $\alpha \in \Phi^+$ and k = 0, 1. The complement of the union of these hyperplanes decomposes into connected components called the *regions* of the arrangement. The hyperplanes that support facets of a region R are called the *walls* of R. Those walls of R that do not contain the origin and separate R from the origin are called the *floors* of R. Define the walls and floors of an alcove similarly. Notice that every wall of a region is a hyperplane of the Shi arrangement, but the walls of an alcove need not be. We call a region or alcove *dominant* if it is contained in the dominant chamber.

Theorem 1. [15, Prop. 7.1] Every region R of the Shi arrangement has a unique minimal alcove $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ \subseteq R$, which is the alcove in R closest to the origin.

Furthermore the floors of the minimal alcove $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$ of R are exactly the floors of R [22, Thm. 12.4]. We define $W_{\mathsf{Shi}} = \{\widetilde{w}_R : R \text{ is a Shi region}\}$. The corresponding alcoves $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$ we call *Shi alcoves*. That is, we call an alcove a Shi alcove if it is the minimal alcove of the Shi region containing it. Define $W_{\mathsf{Shi}}^{\mathsf{dom}} = \{\widetilde{w}_R : R \text{ is a dominant Shi region}\}$.

An order filter in the root poset is a set $J \subseteq \Phi^+$ such that whenever $\alpha \in J$ and $\beta \ge \alpha$ then $\beta \in J$. For a dominant Shi region R, we consider

$$J = \{ \alpha \in \Phi^+ : \langle x, \alpha \rangle > 1 \text{ for all } x \in R \}.$$

Then J is an order filter in the root poset. In fact, the map $R \mapsto J$ is a bijection from the set of dominant Shi regions to the set of order filters in the root poset [16, Thm. 1.4]. The set

$$A = \{ \alpha \in \Phi^+ : H_{\alpha,1} \text{ is a floor of } R \}$$

of minimal elements of J is an antichain in the root poset. Since the correspondence between order filters and the antichains of their minimal elements is bijective, the map $R \mapsto A$ is a bijection from the set of dominant Shi regions to the set of antichains in the root poset.

We conclude this section by introducing an important affine transformation considered by Athanasiadis [6, Section 4]. Denote by $\widetilde{w}_f \in \widetilde{W}$ the element of the affine Weyl group such that $\widetilde{w}_f A_\circ$ is the minimal alcove of the dominant Shi region furthest from the origin, corresponding to the order filter $J = \Phi^+$ and the antichain $A = \Delta$:

$$\widetilde{w}_f A_\circ = \left\{ x \in V : \langle x, \alpha \rangle > 1 \text{ for all } \alpha \in \Delta \text{ and } \langle x, \widetilde{\alpha} \rangle < h \right\},\$$

where h denotes the Coxeter number of Φ . Explicit descriptions of \widetilde{w}_f in types B_n , C_n and D_n are given in subsequent sections.

2.4 Affine roots

Let δ denote a formal variable and set $\widetilde{V} = V \oplus \mathbb{R}\delta$. We define the set of affine roots as

$$\widetilde{\Phi} = \left\{ \alpha + k\delta : \alpha \in \Phi, k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \subseteq \widetilde{V}.$$

To an affine root $\alpha + k\delta$ we associate the half space

$$\mathcal{H}_{\alpha+k\delta} = \big\{ x \in V : \langle x, \alpha \rangle > -k \big\}.$$

The natural action of the affine Weyl group on half spaces carries over to affine roots as follows. Suppose $\widetilde{w} \in \widetilde{W}$ has the unique decomposition $\widetilde{w} = t_{\mu}w$ with $\mu \in \check{Q}$ and $w \in W$. Then

$$\widetilde{w} \cdot (\alpha + k\delta) = w \cdot \alpha + (k - \langle \mu, w \cdot \alpha \rangle)\delta,$$

where $w \cdot \alpha$ denotes the usual action of W on Φ . Define the positive affine roots as

$$\widetilde{\Phi}^+ = \Phi^+ \cup \{\alpha + k\delta : \alpha \in \Phi, k > 0\},\$$

and the simple affine roots as

$$\widetilde{\Delta} = \Delta \cup \{ -\widetilde{\alpha} + \delta \}.$$

Thereby positive affine roots correspond to those half spaces that contain the fundamental alcove. Simple affine roots correspond to half spaces that contain the fundamental alcove and share one of its walls. As a consequence we obtain the following well-known lemma that characterises the floors and separating hyperplanes of an alcove.

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Lemma 2. Let $\widetilde{w} \in \widetilde{W}$ and $\alpha + k\delta \in \widetilde{\Phi}^+$ with k > 0.

- (i) The hyperplane $H_{\alpha,-k}$ separates $\widetilde{w}A_{\circ}$ from A_{\circ} if and only if $\widetilde{w}^{-1} \cdot (\alpha + k\delta) \in -\widetilde{\Phi}^+$.
- (ii) The hyperplane $H_{\alpha,-k}$ is a floor of $\widetilde{w}A_{\circ}$ if and only if $\widetilde{w}^{-1} \cdot (\alpha + k\delta) \in -\widetilde{\Delta}$.

Translating the walls of $\widetilde{w}_f A_{\circ}$ into affine roots we obtain the following lemma.

Lemma 3. The element $\widetilde{w}_f \in \widetilde{W}$ is uniquely determined by the property

$$\widetilde{w}_f(\widetilde{\Delta}) = (\Delta - \delta) \cup \{-\widetilde{\alpha} + h\delta\}.$$

2.5 The finite torus

The finite torus is defined as the quotient of the coroot lattice

$$T = \check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}.$$

See the appendix for an explicit system of representatives in a few low dimensional examples. The action of the Weyl group on the coroot lattice induces an action on the finite torus. The following result due to Haiman provides a very useful description of the orbits under this action.

Theorem 4. [11, Lemma 7.4.1] The set $\check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ forms a system of representatives for the W-orbits of $\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$. The stabiliser subgroup $H = \operatorname{Stab}(\lambda) \leq W$ of an element $\lambda + (h+1)\check{Q}$ of the finite torus, where $\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$, is generated by $\{s_{\alpha} : \alpha \in J(\lambda)\}$, where

 $J(\lambda) = \{ \alpha \in \Delta \cup \{-\tilde{\alpha}\} : \lambda \text{ is contained in the wall of } (h+1)A_{\circ} \text{ perpendicular to } \alpha \}.$

By a result of Sommers [17, Thm. 6.4], there exists a $w \in W$ such that $w \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Delta$. So in particular the stabiliser subgroup H of $\lambda + (h+1)\check{Q}$ in W is a parabolic subgroup of W, and any coset in W/H contains a unique element u such that $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$. We call this the canonical representative of the coset with respect to $J(\lambda)$. We deduce the following lemma.

Lemma 5. We may represent any element of the finite torus uniquely as $u \cdot \lambda$ where $\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ and $u \in W$ is such that $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$.

Athanasiadis has defined a bijection from dominant Shi alcoves to W-orbits of the finite torus.

Theorem 6. [6, Thm. 4.2] The map $\rho: W^{\mathsf{dom}}_{\mathsf{Shi}} \to \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ given by

$$\widetilde{w}_R \mapsto \widetilde{w}_f \widetilde{w}_R^{-1} \cdot 0$$

is a bijection.

The second named author has recently extended this to a bijection called Anderson map between the minimal Shi alcoves and the finite torus.

Theorem 7. [22, Thms. 8.4 and 12.6] The map $\mathcal{A}: W_{\mathsf{Shi}} \to \check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$ given by

$$\widetilde{w}_R \mapsto -\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0 + (h+1) \check{Q}$$

is a bijection.

The way in which \mathcal{A} extends ρ is that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W_{\mathsf{Shi}} & & & & \check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q} \\ \iota & & & & \downarrow \pi \\ W^{\mathsf{dom}}_{\mathsf{Shi}} & & & & & & \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\bar{A_{\circ}} \end{array}$$

Here ι is the natural inclusion and π is the map that sends an element of $\dot{Q}/(h+1)\dot{Q}$ to the element of $\check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ that represents its W-orbit.

2.6 Non-nesting parking functions

The non-nesting parking functions were introduced by Armstrong, Reiner and Rhoades [5] as a model for the regions of the Shi arrangement that carries an action of W. Define an equivalence relation on the set of pairs of an element of the Weyl group and an antichain in the root poset Φ^+ by $(w, A) \sim (w', A')$ if and only if A = A' and wH = w'H where $H \leq W$ denotes the subgroup generated by $\{s_{\alpha} : \alpha \in A\}$. In other words, H is the stabiliser subgroup of $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_{\alpha}$ in W. We define the set of *non-nesting parking functions* of Φ as the set of equivalence classes

$$Park(\Phi) = \{ [w, A] : w \in W, A \subseteq \Phi^+ \text{ is an antichain} \}.$$

Detailed examples in low dimension are found in the appendix. Using [17, Thm. 6.4] the same reasoning that lead to Lemma 5 in the previous section allows us to chose a canonical representative in each class.

Lemma 8. Every non-nesting parking function [w, A] contains a unique representative (u, A) such that $u \cdot A \subseteq \Phi^+$.

We will also call u the canonical coset representative of wH. Note that this depends implicitly not just on H, but also on the antichain A.

The Weyl group W acts on $Park(\Phi)$ by

$$u \cdot [w, A] = [uw, A]$$

for $u \in W$. So the orbits of this action are indexed by the antichains in the root poset. Non-nesting parking functions are naturally in bijection with the regions of the Shi arrangement.

Theorem 9. [22, Thm. 15.2] The map $\Theta^{-1} : W_{\mathsf{Shi}} \to \operatorname{Park}(\Phi)$ given by $\widetilde{w}_R \mapsto [w, A]$, where $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ \subseteq wC$ and $A \subseteq \Phi^+$ consists of the roots α such that $H_{\alpha,1}$ is a floor of $w^{-1}\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$, is a bijection.

Note that a similar bijection using ceilings instead of floors is given in [5, Prop. 10.3]. We remark that the map Θ^{-1} extends the natural bijection between the dominant regions of the Shi arrangement and the antichains in the root poset.

2.7 The uniform zeta map

The *zeta map* is defined as the composition of the two bijections introduced in the previous sections

$$\zeta : \check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q} \to \operatorname{Park}(\Phi),$$

$$u \cdot \lambda + (h+1)\check{Q} \mapsto [w, A] = \left(\Theta^{-1} \circ \mathcal{A}^{-1}\right) \left(u \cdot \lambda + (h+1)\check{Q}\right).$$

$$(1)$$

By a slight abuse of notation we also write $\zeta(u, \lambda) = [w, A]$, where $u \cdot \lambda$ is always understood to be the unique representative as in Lemma 5. Since the zeta map commutes with the action of W on $\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$ and Park(Φ), it restricts to a bijection between the W-orbits on both sets:

$$\overline{\zeta} : \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}} \to \operatorname{Antichains}(\Phi^{+}), \qquad (2)$$
$$\lambda \mapsto A.$$

This can also be seen as an inverse of the bijection ρ . To be precise, we have a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{c} W^{\text{dom}}_{\text{Shi}} & \stackrel{\rho}{\longrightarrow} \\ \uparrow & \stackrel{}{\searrow} \\ \text{Antichains}(\Phi^+) & \stackrel{}{\overleftarrow{\zeta}} \\ \end{array} \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}} \end{array}$$

Here the vertical map is the natural bijection mentioned in Section 2.3.

In the remainder of this section we explore ζ in more detail to obtain a more explicit description of [w, A] in terms of the pair (u, λ) . To this end we recall some arguments that can be found in similar form for example in [6, Sec. 4] or [22, Sec. 8.5].

Suppose that R is a Shi region with minimal alcove $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$. Say $\mathcal{A}(\widetilde{w}_R) = u \cdot \lambda + (h+1)\dot{Q}$, and $\Theta^{-1}(\widetilde{w}_R) = [w, A]$. By definition of Θ^{-1} we have $R \subseteq wC$ and for each $\alpha \in \Phi^+$ the hyperplane $H_{\alpha,1}$ is a floor of the dominant Shi alcove $w^{-1}\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$ if and only if $\alpha \in A$.

Choose $\mu, \nu \in \check{Q}$ and $\tau, \sigma \in W$ such that $\widetilde{w}_R^{-1}w = t_\mu \sigma$ and $\widetilde{w}_f = t_\nu \tau$.

Then $\lambda = \widetilde{w}_f \widetilde{w}_R^{-1} \cdot 0 = \nu + \tau \mu$ and $\mathcal{A}(\widetilde{w}_R) = -\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0 = w(\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot \lambda$. It follows from the first identity that μ can be computed from λ independently of u. Since σ is the unique element of W such that $(t_\mu \sigma)^{-1} A_\circ$ lies in the dominant chamber, also σ does not depend on u.

Proposition 10. We have

$$A = (\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda)$$

Proof. Let $\beta \in \Phi^+$ then

$$\beta \in A \Leftrightarrow H_{\beta,1} \text{ is a floor of } w^{-1} \widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$$
(Lemma 2) $\Leftrightarrow \widetilde{w}_R^{-1} w \cdot (-\beta + \delta) \in -\widetilde{\Delta}$
(Lemma 3) $\Leftrightarrow \widetilde{w}_f \widetilde{w}_R^{-1} w \cdot (\beta - \delta) \in \widetilde{w}_f(\widetilde{\Delta}) = (\Delta - \delta) \cup \{-\widetilde{\alpha} + h\delta\}$
 $\Leftrightarrow t_\lambda \tau \sigma \cdot \beta \in \Delta \cup \{-\widetilde{\alpha} + (h+1)\delta\}$
 $\Leftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{aligned} \tau \sigma \cdot \beta \in \Delta \text{ and } \langle \lambda, \tau \sigma \cdot \beta \rangle = 0, \text{ or } \\ \tau \sigma \cdot \beta = -\widetilde{\alpha} \text{ and } \langle \lambda, \tau \sigma \cdot \beta \rangle = h + 1. \end{aligned} \right.$

Hence $\beta \in A$ if and only if $\tau \sigma \cdot \beta \in J(\lambda)$.

Proposition 10 provides an explicit description of the map $\overline{\zeta}$ on W-orbits. The final result of this section explains how the Weyl group element w can be obtained when u is taken into account.

Proposition 11. We have $w = u\tau\sigma$.

Proof. Recall that

$$u \cdot \lambda = \mathcal{A}(\widetilde{w}_R) = -\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0 = w(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot (\nu + \tau\mu) = w(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \lambda.$$

Using Theorem 4 and Proposition 10 it follows that

$$w^{-1}u\tau\sigma \in (\tau\sigma)^{-1}\operatorname{Stab}(\lambda)\tau\sigma$$

= $\langle s_{(\tau\sigma)^{-1}\cdot\alpha} : \alpha \in J(\lambda) \rangle$
= $\langle s_{\beta} : \beta \in A \rangle$.

In other words $wH = u\tau\sigma H$ where $H = \langle s_{\beta} : \beta \in A \rangle$. On the one hand $w \cdot A \subseteq \Phi^+$ due to the fact that $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$ is a Shi alcove contained in the chamber wC [22, Sec. 12.3]. On the other hand $u\tau\sigma \cdot A = u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$ using Proposition 10. Since there is only one element v of wH with $v \cdot A \subseteq \Phi^+$, we must have $w = u\tau\sigma$.

2.8 Lattice paths

We call N = (0, 1) a North step and E = (1, 0) an East step. Given $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, denote by $\mathcal{L}_{a,b}$ the set of lattice paths in the plane starting at the origin, consisting only of North and East steps and ending at (a, b). That is, $\mathcal{L}_{a,b}$ is the set of sequences $s_1 s_2 \dots s_{a+b}$ with $s_i \in \{N, E\}$ consisting of a East steps and b North steps. A lattice path in $\mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ is called a Dyck path if it never goes below the main diagonal, that is, each initial segment $s_1 s_2 \dots s_k$ contains at least as many North steps as East steps. We denote by $\mathcal{D}_n \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ the set of

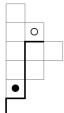


Figure 2: A ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_6$ with two valleys (1, 2), (2, 5) and two rises 2, 3.

Figure 3: A Dyck path $\pi \in \mathcal{D}_6$ with valleys (2,5), (3,6) and rises 1, 2, 3.

all Dyck paths with 2n steps. A ballot path of length n is a lattice path starting at the origin, consisting of n North and/or East steps that never goes below the main diagonal. We denote the set of ballot paths with n steps by \mathcal{B}_n .

A pattern of the form NN is called *rise*. A pattern EN is called *valley*. More precisely, let π be any lattice path with steps $s_i \in \{N, E\}$. We say i is a rise of π if its *i*-th North step is followed by a North step. We say (i, j) is a valley of π if its *i*-th East step is followed by its *j*-th North step. If β is a ballot path consisting of i East steps and j North steps, and β ends with an East step, then we adopt the convention of counting (i, j + 1) as a valley of β . See Figures 2 and 3.

In order to define the combinatorial zeta maps, which are bijections between sets of (labelled) lattice paths, we need the following building blocks. Let $a = (a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n)$ be a vector with integer entries. Define a word $\overrightarrow{S}_j^+(a)$ in the alphabet $\{E, N\}$ as follows: Read a from left to right. Whenever you encounter an entry $a_i = j$ write down N. Whenever you encounter an entry $a_i = j + 1$ write down E. Similarly we define $\overleftarrow{S}_j^+(a)$ except now one reads a from right to left. Moreover we define $\overrightarrow{S}_j^-(a)$ as follows: Read a from left to right and write down N for each -j you encounter and E for each -j - 1 you encounter. Define $\overleftarrow{S}_j^-(a)$ analogously.

We conclude this section by recalling the definitions of the two versions of the zeta map in type A_{n-1} , that is, one on labelled paths and one on unlabelled paths. See Figure 4 for an accompanying example.

Given a Dyck path $\pi \in \mathcal{D}_n$ we define its *area vector* (μ_1, \ldots, μ_n) by letting μ_i be the number of 1×1 -squares in the *i*-th row that lie between the path and the main diagonal. For example the Dyck path in Figure 3 has area vector (0, 1, 2, 3, 2, 2). It is not hard to see that a vector with non-negative integer entries is the area vector of a Dyck path if and only if $\mu_1 = 0$ and $\mu_{i+1} \leq \mu_i + 1$.

The original zeta map $\zeta_A : \mathcal{D}_n \to \mathcal{D}_n$ first appears in a paper of Andrews, Krattenthaler, Orsina and Papi [1]. It was rediscovered and popularised by Haglund and Haiman, and an explicit treatment of its compatibility with the statistics on Dyck paths mentioned in the introduction is found in [9]. The image of the Dyck path π under map ζ_A can be defined as the concatenation

$$\zeta_A(\pi) = \overrightarrow{S_0}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_{-1}}(\mu) \cdots \overrightarrow{S_{-n}}(\mu)$$

where μ is the area vector of π .

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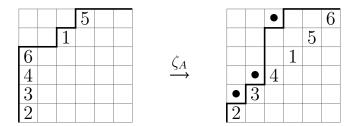


Figure 4: A vertically labelled Dyck path (π, v) and the diagonally labelled Dyck path $\zeta_A(\pi, v)$.

A vertically labelled Dyck path is a pair (π, v) of a Dyck path $\pi \in \mathcal{D}_n$ and a permutation $v \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ such that v(i) < v(i+1) for each rise i of π . Denote the set of all vertically labelled Dyck paths by $\operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1})$.

The diagonal reading word $d_A(\pi, v)$ of a vertically labelled Dyck path is the permutation in \mathfrak{S}_n obtained as follows: Let (μ_1, \ldots, μ_n) be the area vector of π . For each $i = 0, 1, \ldots, n-1$ read μ from left to right and write down v(j) for each encountered entry $\mu_j = i$.

A diagonally labelled Dyck path is a pair (π, w) of a Dyck path $\pi \in \mathcal{D}_n$ and a permutation $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ such that w(i) < w(j) for each valley (i, j) of π . Let $\text{Diag}(A_{n-1})$ denote the set of all diagonally labelled Dyck paths.

A generalisation of the original zeta map, which we call *Haglund–Loehr-zeta map*, appears in [10] and sends vertically labelled Dyck paths to diagonally labelled Dyck paths. It can be defined as

$$\zeta_A : \operatorname{Vert}(A_{n-1}) \to \operatorname{Diag}(A_{n-1}),$$
$$(\pi, v) \mapsto (\zeta_A(\pi), d_A(\pi, v)).$$

Note that the rises of (π, v) correspond precisely to the valleys of $\zeta_A(\pi, v)$ in the following sense: For each rise *i* of π there exists a valley (j, k) of $\zeta_A(\pi)$ such that $(v(i), v(i+1)) = (d_A(\pi, v)(j), d_A(\pi, v)(k))$ and vice versa [4, Sec. 5.2] [22, Thm. 14.1].

3 Types B, C and D

In this section we fix further notation and recall some facts specific to the root systems and Weyl groups of types B_n, C_n and D_n .

3.1 The root systems of types B, C and D

The roots, positive roots and simple roots of type B_n are given by

$$\Phi = \{ \pm e_i \pm e_j : 1 \le i < j \le n \} \cup \{ \pm e_i : i \in [n] \},\$$

$$\Phi^+ = \{ \pm e_i + e_j : 1 \le i < j \le n \} \cup \{ e_i : i \in [n] \},\$$

$$\Delta = \{ -e_i + e_{i+1} : i \in [n-1] \} \cup \{ e_1 \}.$$

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We denote the simple roots by $\alpha_0^B = e_1$ and $\alpha_i^B = e_{i+1} - e_i$ for $i \in [n-1]$, and the highest root by $\tilde{\alpha}^B = e_{n-1} + e_n$. The root lattice and coroot lattice are

$$Q = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathbb{Z}\alpha = \mathbb{Z}^n, \qquad \check{Q} = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta} \check{\mathbb{Z}}\alpha = \Big\{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n : \sum_i x_i \in 2\mathbb{Z} \Big\}.$$

The roots, positive roots and simple roots of type C_n are given by

$$\Phi = \{ \pm e_i \pm e_j : 1 \le i < j \le n \} \cup \{ \pm 2e_i : i \in [n] \},\$$

$$\Phi^+ = \{ \pm e_i + e_j : 1 \le i < j \le n \} \cup \{ 2e_i : i \in [n] \},\$$

$$\Delta = \{ -e_i + e_{i+1} : i \in [n-1] \} \cup \{ 2e_1 \}.$$

We denote the simple roots by $\alpha_0^C = 2e_1$ and $\alpha_i^C = e_{i+1} - e_i$ for $i \in [n-1]$, and the highest root by $\tilde{\alpha}^C = 2e_n$. The root lattice and coroot lattice are dual to the type B_n case

$$Q = \left\{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n : \sum_i x_i \in 2\mathbb{Z} \right\}, \qquad \check{Q} = \mathbb{Z}^n$$

The roots, positive roots and simple roots of type D_n are given by

$$\Phi = \{ \pm e_i \pm e_j : 1 \le i < j \le n \},\$$

$$\Phi^+ = \{ \pm e_i + e_j : 1 \le i < j \le n \}, \text{and}\$$

$$\Delta = \{ -e_i + e_{i+1} : i \in [n-1] \} \cup \{ e_1 + e_2 \}$$

We denote the simple roots by $\alpha_0^D = e_1 + e_2$ and $\alpha_i^D = e_{i+1} - e_i$ for $i \in [n-1]$, and the highest root by $\tilde{\alpha}^D = e_{n-1} + e_n$. The root lattice and coroot lattice are both isomorphic to the coroot lattice of type B_n .

$$Q = \check{Q} = \left\{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n : \sum x_i \in 2\mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

3.2 Affine permutation groups

The affine Weyl groups of types A_{n-1} , B_n , C_n and D_n can all be realised as groups of certain bijections on integers also called affine permutations. In this section we recall the descriptions of the affine Weyl groups of types B_n , C_n and D_n in terms of affine permutations given in [7].

Set K = 2n + 1. A bijection $\omega : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}$ is called *affine permutation* if $\omega(i + K) = \omega(i) + K$ and $\omega(-i) = -\omega(i)$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}$. The set of all such bijections forms a group under composition which we denote by $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^C$. Each affine permutation is fully determined by its *window*

$$[\omega(1), \omega(2), \ldots, \omega(n)].$$

The group $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^C$ is generated by the following n+1 simple transpositions of type C_n , defined as

$$s_0^C = [-1, 2, \dots, n],$$

$$s_i^C = [1, \dots, i-1, i+1, i, i+2, \dots, n]$$
 for $i \in [n-1]$ and
 $s_n^C = [1, \dots, n-1, n+1].$

The group $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^C$ contains a subgroup $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^B$ that consists of all affine permutations ω such that the finite set $\{i \in \mathbb{Z} : i \leq n, \omega(i) > n\}$ has even cardinality. This subgroup is generated by the simple transpositions of type B_n , given by

$$s_0^B = [-1, 2, \dots, n],$$

$$s_i^B = [1, \dots, i - 1, i + 1, i, i + 2, \dots, n] \quad \text{for } i \in [n - 1] \text{ and}$$

$$s_n^B = [1, \dots, n - 2, n + 1, n + 2].$$

The group $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^B$ contains a subgroup $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^D$ that consists of all affine permutations ω such that both finite sets $\{i \in \mathbb{Z} : i \leq n, \omega(i) > n\}$ and $\{i \in \mathbb{Z} : i \geq 0, \omega(i) < 0\}$ have even cardinality. This subgroup is generated by the *simple transpositions of type* D_n , that is,

$$s_0^D = [-1, -2, 3, \dots, n],$$

$$s_i^D = [1, \dots, i - 1, i + 1, i, i + 2, \dots, n] \quad \text{for } i \in [n - 1] \text{ and}$$

$$s_n^D = [1, \dots, n - 2, n + 1, n + 2].$$

Let Φ be a root system of type B_n , C_n or D_n . The group $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ is isomorphic to the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} of Φ . An explicit isomorphism in terms of the generators is obtained by mapping s_i^{Φ} to $s_{\alpha_i^{\Phi}}$ for $0 \leq i \leq n-1$, and s_n^{Φ} to $s_{\tilde{\alpha}^{\Phi},1}$. Let \mathfrak{S}_n^{Φ} denote the subgroup of $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ corresponding to the Weyl group W under this isomorphism. Then an affine permutation $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ lies in \mathfrak{S}_n^{Φ} if and only if its window is a subset of $[\pm n]$. More precisely, $\mathfrak{S}_n^B = \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ is the group of signed permutations while $\mathfrak{S}_n^D \leq \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ consists of the signed permutations with an even number of sign changes. Furthermore, this isomorphism affords an action of the affine permutations on the coroot lattice \check{Q} of Φ , which is made explicit by the following rules

$$s_0^C \cdot (x_1 \dots, x_n) = (-x_1, x_2 \dots, x_n),$$

$$s_i^C \cdot (x_1 \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_{i+1}, x_i, \dots, x_n), \text{ for } i \in [n-1],$$

$$s_n^C \cdot (x_1 \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, -x_n + 1),$$

$$s_n^B \cdot (x_1 \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_{n-2}, -x_n + 1, -x_{n-1} + 1) \text{ and }$$

$$s_0^D \cdot (x_1 \dots, x_n) = (-x_1, -x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n).$$

The first tool we need is a combinatorial description of the Graßmannian affine permutations in $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$. That is, given an affine permutation $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ we want to decide whether ω is a minimal length coset representative just by looking at its window. This question was answered in [7, Props. 8.4.4, 8.5.4, and 8.6.4].

Proposition 12. An affine permutation $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ is the minimal length representative of the coset $\omega \mathfrak{S}_n^{\Phi} \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}/\mathfrak{S}_n^{\Phi}$ if and only if

$$\begin{cases} 0 < \omega(1) < \omega(2) < \dots < \omega(n) & \text{if } \Phi \text{ is of type } B_n \text{ or } C_n \\ 0 < |\omega(1)| < \omega(2) < \dots < \omega(n) & \text{if } \Phi \text{ is of type } D_n. \end{cases}$$

Next we want to obtain a combinatorial description of the decomposition of ω into a product of a translation by an element of the coroot lattice and an element of the Weyl group, that is, a signed permutation. To this end, for $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ and $i \in [\pm n]$ write $\omega(i) = a_i K + b_i$ such that $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b_i \in [\pm n]$. Define $\sigma(\omega, i) = b_i$, $\mu(\omega, b_i) = -a_i$ and $\nu(\omega, i) = a_i$.

Lemma 13. Let $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ be an affine permutation.

- (i) The map $i \mapsto \sigma(\omega, i)$, where $i \in [n]$, defines a signed permutation $\sigma(\omega) \in \mathfrak{S}_n^{\Phi}$.
- (ii) The vectors $\mu(\omega) = (\mu(\omega, 1), \dots, \mu(\omega, n))$ and $\nu(\omega) = (\nu(\omega, 1), \dots, \nu(\omega, n))$ lie in the coroot lattice \check{Q} of Φ , and for all i with $0 \leq i \leq n$ we have

$$\mu(s_i^{\Phi}\omega) = s_i^{\Phi} \cdot \mu(\omega), \qquad \qquad \nu(\omega s_i^{\Phi}) = s_i^{\Phi} \cdot \nu(\omega).$$

(iii) We have $\mu(\omega^{-1}) = \nu(\omega)$ and $\sigma(\omega^{-1}) = \sigma(\omega)^{-1}$.

- (iv) We have $\omega \cdot (0, \dots, 0) = \mu(\omega)$ and $\omega^{-1} \cdot (0, \dots, 0) = \nu(\omega)$
- (v) We have $\mu(\omega) = -\sigma \cdot \nu(\omega)$.

Proof. Claims (i) and (v) are immediate from the definitions while (iii) and (iv) follow directly from (ii). Thus it only remains to show (ii) which is done for each type using induction on the length of ω .

For $q \in \check{Q}$ define an affine permutation $t_q \in \check{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ by setting $t_q(i) = -q_i K + i$ for $i \in [n]$. Set $T_{\check{Q}} = \{t_q : q \in \check{Q}\}$. We call an affine permutation $\omega \in \check{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ translation by $q \in \check{Q}$ if $\omega \cdot x = x + q$ for all $x \in \check{Q}$. Thus by definition the translations in $\check{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ correspond to translations in \widetilde{W} .

Proposition 14. (i) Let $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ be an affine permutation, and set $\sigma = \sigma(\omega)$, $\mu = \mu(\omega)$ and $\nu = \nu(\omega)$. Then $\omega = t_{\mu}\sigma = \sigma t_{-\nu}$.

- (ii) Let $x, y \in \check{Q}$ then $t_x t_y = t_{x+y}$ and $(t_x)^{-1} = t_{-x}$. Thus $T_{\check{Q}}$ is a subgroup of $\mathfrak{\tilde{\mathfrak{S}}}_n^{\Phi}$ that is isomorphic to the coroot lattice.
- (iii) An affine permutation $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ is a translation if and only if $\omega \in T_{\check{Q}}$.

Proof. To prove claim (i) let $i \in [n]$ and $\omega(i) = a_i K + b_i$ such that $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b_i \in [\pm n]$. Then

$$t_{\mu}\sigma(i) = t_{\mu}(\sigma(\omega, i)) = t_{\mu}(b_i) = -\mu(\omega, b_i)K + b_i = a_iK + b_i,$$

$$\sigma t_{-\nu}(i) = \sigma(\nu(\omega, i)K + i) = \sigma(a_iK + i) = a_iK + \sigma(i) = a_iK + b_i.$$

To see claim (ii), note that for each $i \in [n]$ we have

$$t_x t_y(i) = t_x (-y_i K + i) = -y_i K + t_x(i) = -(y_i + x_i) K + i = t_{x+y}(i).$$

Finally, let $q, x \in \check{Q}$. Then using (i), (ii) and Lemma 13 (iv) we see that t_q is indeed a translation as

$$t_q \cdot x = t_q \cdot t_x \cdot (0, \dots, 0) = (t_q t_x) \cdot (0, \dots, 0) = t_{q+x} \cdot (0, \dots, 0) = q + x.$$

Conversely, if ω is a translation by q then $\omega = t_q$ because $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ acts faithfully on the coroot lattice.

In fact from Proposition 14 (i) and (ii) it follows directly that $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ is the semi-direct product of $T_{\tilde{Q}}$ and \mathfrak{S}_n^{Φ} (the Weyl group acting on the coroot lattice). Hence the decomposition $\omega = t_{\mu}\sigma$ is the one we were looking for, and it can easily be obtained from the window of ω .

The following lemma is an easy consequence of the two propositions above but it shall serve us as a reference in the sections to come.

Lemma 15. Let $\omega \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^{\Phi}$ be the minimal length coset representative of $\omega \mathfrak{S}_n^{\Phi}$, $\mu = \mu(\omega) \in \check{Q}$ and $\sigma = \sigma(\omega) \in \mathfrak{S}_n^{\Phi}$. Then for each $i \in [n]$

$$|\sigma^{-1}(i)| = \#\{k \in [n] : |\mu_k K - k| \leq |\mu_i K - i|\}.$$

If Φ is of type B_n or C_n , or if Φ is of type D_n and $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| \neq 1$, then $\sigma^{-1}(i) > 0$ if and only if $\mu_i \leq 0$. However, if Φ is of type D_n and $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| = 1$, then $\sigma^{-1}(i) > 0$ if and only if either $\mu_i \leq 0$ and the number of positive entries of μ is even, or $\mu_i > 0$ and the number of positive entries of μ is odd.

Proof. Since ω is a minimal length coset representative, the absolute values of the entries of the window of ω must be increasing, that is, $0 < |\omega(1)| < |\omega(2)| < \cdots < |\omega(n)|$. On the other hand, $|\sigma(j)| = i$ if and only if $|\omega(j)| = |\mu_i K - i|$. Hence $|\sigma(j)| = i$ is equivalent to

$$j = \#\{k \in [n] : |\mu_k K - k| \leq |\mu_i K - i|\}.$$

Furthermore, if Φ is of type B_n or C_n , or if Φ is of type D_n and $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| \neq 1$, then $\omega(i) > 0$. Hence $\sigma(i) > 0$ if and only if $-K\mu_i + i > 0$, which is the case if and only if $\mu_i \leq 0$.

If Φ is of type D_n then the sign of $\omega(1)$ possibly has to be changed such that there is an even number of integers $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $j \ge 0$ and $\omega(j) < 0$.

4 The zeta map of type C

In Section 4.1 we define a combinatorial model for the elements of the finite torus in terms of vertically labelled lattice paths in an $n \times n$ -square. The underlying lattice paths correspond to the orbits of the finite torus under the action of the Weyl group \mathfrak{S}_n^C . That is, acting by an element of \mathfrak{S}_n^C only changes the labels but leaves the path intact. In Section 4.2 we encode the non-nesting parking functions in term of diagonally labelled ballot paths. Again acting by an element of the Weyl group only changes the labels, such that the ballot paths correspond to the antichains in the root poset.

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		2	
		-4	
		-5	
1			

Figure 5: The vertically labelled lattice path $(NEEEENNNNNEE, [1, -5, -4, 2, 3, 6]) \in Vert(C_6).$

We then demonstrate how the dominant Shi region corresponding to a square lattice path can be recovered using its area vector in Section 4.3. Moreover we obtain the Shi region corresponding to a vertically labelled lattice path using the diagonal reading word in Section 4.4. Finally, in Section 4.5 we provide a combinatorial construction of the image of a vertically labelled lattice path under the zeta map of type C_n . We prove that this construction is invertible and that it coincides with the uniform zeta map. Section 4.6 offers an alternative description of the type C_n zeta map in the spirit of the sweep map.

The examples provided in this section are supplemented by Table 2 of the appendix.

4.1 The finite torus

The Coxeter number of type C_n is given by h = 2n hence the finite torus equals $\mathbb{Z}^n/(2n+1)\mathbb{Z}^n$. As Athanasiadis [6, Sec. 5.2] pointed out, a system of representatives for the orbits of the finite torus under the action of the Weyl group \mathfrak{S}_n^C is given by

$$\check{Q} \cap (2n+1)\overline{A_{\circ}} = \Big\{ (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \check{Q} : 0 \leqslant \lambda_1 \leqslant \lambda_2 \leqslant \dots \leqslant \lambda_n \leqslant n \Big\},\$$

and the stabiliser subgroup $\operatorname{Stab}(\lambda) \leq \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ of such a λ is generated by the simple transpositions s_i for each $i \in [n-1]$ such that $\lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1}$, and the simple transposition s_0 if $\lambda_1 = 0$.

Definition 16. A vertically labelled lattice path is a pair (π, u) of a lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ and a signed permutation $u \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ such that u(i) < u(i+1) for each rise *i* of π and such that u(1) > 0 if π begins with a North step. We denote the set of all vertically labelled lattice paths by $\operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$.

Given a lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ and a signed permutation $u \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ we picture (π, u) by placing the label $\sigma(i)$ to the left of the *i*-th North step of π as is shown in Figure 5. Thus we obtain $(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$ if the labels increase along columns from bottom to top, and if all labels left of the starting point of π are positive.

It is not difficult to see that vertically labelled lattice paths encode the elements of the finite torus. **Proposition 17.** The map ψ : Vert $(C_n) \to \check{Q}/(2n+1)\check{Q}$ given by $(\pi, u) \mapsto u \cdot \lambda + (2n+1)\check{Q}$, where $\lambda \subseteq (n^n)$ is the partition¹ with South-East boundary π , is a bijection.

Proof. First note that the set of partitions that fit inside the square (n^n) coincides with the set $\check{Q} \cap (2n+1)\overline{A_o}$. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path, $u \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ be a signed permutation, and $\lambda \subseteq (n^n)$ be the partition with South-East boundary π . By Lemma 5 it suffices to show that $(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$ if and only if $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$. Suppose $i \in [n-1]$ and $(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$ then

$$\alpha_i \in J(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow \langle \lambda, e_{i+1} - e_i \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(i) < u(i+1) \Leftrightarrow u \cdot \alpha_i \in \Phi^+,$$

$$\alpha_0 \in J(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow \langle \lambda, 2e_1 \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < u(1) \Leftrightarrow u \cdot \alpha_0 \in \Phi^+.$$

Conversely if $i \in [n-1]$ and $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$ then

$$\lambda_{i} = \lambda_{i+1} \Leftrightarrow \alpha_{i} \in J(\lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow u \cdot \alpha_{i} \in \Phi^{+} \Leftrightarrow u(i) < u(i+1),$$

$$\lambda_{1} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha_{0} \in J(\lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow u \cdot \alpha_{0} \in \Phi^{+} \Leftrightarrow 0 < u(1).$$

To complete the proof, note that $\langle \lambda, \tilde{\alpha} \rangle \leq 2n$ implies $\tilde{\alpha} \notin J(\lambda)$.

Example 18. The vertically labelled lattice path in Figure 5 corresponds to the partition $\lambda = (0, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4)$ and the element $(0, 4, 4, -4, -4, 4) + 13\mathbb{Z}^6$ of the finite torus.

4.2 Non-nesting parking functions

In this section we encode the non-nesting parking functions of type C_n in terms of diagonally labelled ballot paths.

Definition 19. A diagonally labelled ballot path is a pair (β, w) of a ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ and a signed permutation $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ such that for each valley (i, j) of β we have

$$w(n+1-i) > \begin{cases} w(n+1-j) & \text{if } j \leq n, \\ w(n-j) & \text{if } j > n. \end{cases}$$

We denote the set of all diagonally labelled ballot paths by $Diag(C_n)$.

Suppose $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(C_n)$. If we place the labels w(i), where

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

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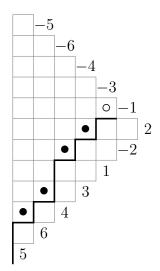


Figure 6: The diagonally labelled ballot path $(NNENENNENENE, [-2, 1, 3, 4, 6, 5]) \in \text{Diag}(C_6)$.

in the diagonal as in Figure 6, then for each valley the label to its right will be smaller than the label below it. In particular, if the path ends with an East step then the label below will be positive.

Let $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ be a ballot path and (i, j) a valley of β . We define the positive root

$$\alpha_{i,j} = \begin{cases} e_{n+1-i} - e_{n+1-j} & \text{if } j \leq n, \\ e_{n+1-i} + e_{j-n} & \text{if } j > n. \end{cases}$$

Furthermore set

$$A_{\beta} = \{ \alpha_{i,j} : (i,j) \text{ is a valley of } \beta \}.$$

We will use the following well-known result.

Lemma 20. The map $\varphi : \mathcal{B}_{2n} \to \operatorname{Antichains}(\Phi^+)$ given by $\beta \mapsto A_\beta$ is a bijection between ballot paths of length 2n and the set of antichains in the root poset Φ^+ of type C_n .

Example 21. The diagonally labelled ballot path (β, w) in Figure 6 has five valleys: (1,3), (2,4), (3,6), (4,7) and (5,8). Note that for each valley the number to its right is less than the number below (for example w(6+1-1) = 5 > 4 = w(6+1-3)) and that the label below the terminal East step is positive: w(6+1-5) = 1 > 0. The corresponding antichain A_{β} contains the roots $e_6 - e_4, e_5 - e_3, e_4 - e_1, e_3 + e_1$ and $2e_2$.

Taking the labels into account, we extend Lemma 20 to a bijection between diagonally labelled ballot paths and non-nesting parking functions.

¹For our purposes here a partition is an increasing sequence $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \ldots \leq \lambda_n$ of non-negative integers.

Proposition 22. The map φ : $\text{Diag}(C_n) \to \text{Park}(C_n)$ given by $(\beta, w) \mapsto [w, A_\beta]$ is a bijection.

Proof. Let $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ be a ballot path and $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ a signed permutation. Due to Lemma 20 and Lemma 8 it suffices to show that $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(C_n)$ if and only if $w \cdot A_\beta \subseteq \Phi^+$. Assume $j \leq n$. If $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(C_n)$ then

$$\alpha_{i,j} \in A_{\beta} \Leftrightarrow (i,j) \text{ is a valley of } \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow w(n+1-i) > w(n+1-j) \Leftrightarrow w \cdot \alpha_{i,j} = w \cdot (e_{n+1-i} - e_{n+1-j}) \in \Phi^+.$$

Conversely, if $w \cdot A_{\beta} \subseteq \Phi^+$ then

$$(i, j)$$
 is a valley of $\beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha_{i,j} \in A_{\beta}$
 $\Rightarrow w \cdot \alpha_{i,j} \in \Phi^+ \Leftrightarrow w(n+1-i) > w(n+1-j).$

The case j > n is treated similarly.

4.3 The area vector

Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path and $\lambda \subseteq (n^n)$ the partition with South-East boundary π . We have seen above that $\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (2n+1)\overline{A_o}$. Thus λ corresponds to a dominant Shi region with minimal alcove $\widetilde{w}_D A_o$ by means of the Anderson map of Section 2.5. Our goal in this section is to obtain the element of the affine Weyl group \widetilde{w}_D from the lattice path π .

To this end and write $\widetilde{w}_D^{-1} = t_\mu \sigma$ where $\mu \in \check{Q}$ and $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$. Since \widetilde{w}_D^{-1} is Graßmannian, the signed permutation σ is determined by Lemma 15 once we know μ . Note that \widetilde{w}_D corresponds to the affine transformation $w^{-1}\widetilde{w}_R$ from Section 2.7. The vector μ therefore appears implicitly in the identity $\lambda = \widetilde{w}_f \widetilde{w}_D^{-1} \cdot 0$. Hence all we need is an explicit description of \widetilde{w}_f . This is provided by the next lemma.

Lemma 23. Let $\nu \in \check{Q}$ and $\tau \in W$ be such that $\widetilde{w}_f = t_{\nu}\tau$. Then

$$\nu = (1, 2, \dots, n),$$
 $\tau = [-n, \dots, -2, -1].$

Proof. By Lemma 3 it suffices to show that $t_{\nu}\tau(\widetilde{\Delta}) = (\Delta - \delta) \cup \{-\tilde{\alpha} + h\delta\}$. We have

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_{i}) = \alpha_{n+1-i} - \langle \nu, \alpha_{n+1-i} \rangle \delta = \alpha_{n+1-i} - \delta \qquad \text{for all } i \in [n-1],$$

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_{0}) = -2e_{n} - \langle \tau, -2e_{n} \rangle \delta = -\tilde{\alpha} + 2n\delta \qquad \text{and}$$

$$t_{\nu}\tau(-\tilde{\alpha} + \delta) = 2e_{1} + (1 - \langle \tau, 2e_{1} \rangle)\delta = \alpha_{0} - \delta.$$

For example if n = 5 then

$$\widetilde{w}_f = [50, 40, 30, 20, 10].$$

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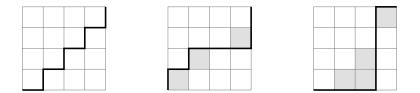


Figure 7: The lattice paths with type C_n area vectors (0, 0, 0, 0), (0, -1, 1, 1) and (1, 0, -1, -2).

Definition 24. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ and $\lambda \subseteq (n^n)$ be the partition with South-East boundary π . Moreover define ν and τ as in Lemma 23 above. We define the type C_n area vector of π as

$$\mu = \tau(\lambda - \nu) = \tau(\lambda_1 - 1, \lambda_2 - 2\dots, \lambda_n - n) = (n - \lambda_n, \dots, 2 - \lambda_2, 1 - \lambda_1).$$

Indeed μ_i counts the number of boxes in the (n+1-i)-th row between the path π and the path $(EN)^n \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ consisting of alternating North and East steps. In this regard μ is quite similar to the type A_{n-1} area vector of a Dyck path. Note that the entries of the type C_n area vector are negative as long as π is to the right of $(EN)^n$ in the respective row. See Figure 7.

Example 25. The lattice path $\pi = NEEEENNNNNEE$ in Figure 5 has area vector

$$\mu = (6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1) - (4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 0) = (2, 1, 0, -1, -2, 1).$$

The translation by μ is given by $t_{\mu} = [-25, -11, 3, 17, 31, -7] \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^C$. Moreover $\sigma = [3, -6, -2, 4, -1, 5]$ is the unique element of \mathfrak{S}_n^C such that $\widetilde{w}_D^{-1} = t_{\mu}\sigma = [3, 7, 11, 17, 25, 31]$ is a Graßmannian affine permutation. Finally $\widetilde{w}_D = [21, 10, 1, -9, -20, 11]$ and $\widetilde{w}_D A_{\circ}$ is the minimal alcove of the dominant Shi region corresponding to the lattice path π .

We conclude this section by proving some auxiliary results on area vectors for later use.

Lemma 26. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path with type C_n area vector μ .

- (i) Let $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_j = \mu_i 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{\mu_i 1, \mu_i\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. Then j = i + 1.
- (ii) For all $i \in [n-1]$ we have $\mu_i \leq \mu_{i+1} + 1$.
- (iii) Let $j \in [n]$ such that $\mu_j < 0$. Then there exist $i \in [j-1]$ with $\mu_i = \mu_j + 1$.
- (iv) Let $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_i > 1$. Then there exists $j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_j = \mu_i 1$.
- (v) Let $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_i = 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{0, 1\}$ for all $\ell \in [n]$ with $i < \ell$. Then i = n.

+	42 40 36 30 22 12 1			6	
	39 35 29 21 11 2 13			3	
	34 28 20 10 3 14 23			2	
	27 19 9 4 15 24 31			-4	
	18 8 5 16 25 32 37			-5	
	7 6 17 26 33 38 41	- 1			

Figure 8: The diagonal reading order of type C_6 indicated left, and a vertically labelled lattice path with $d_C(\pi, u) = [-2, 1, 3, 4, 6, 5]$ on the right.

Proof. We start by proving claim (i). From $\mu = \tau \cdot (\lambda - \nu)$ we obtain $\lambda_{n+1-\ell} = n+1-\ell-\mu_{\ell} \notin \{n+1-\ell-\mu_i, n+2-\ell-\mu_i\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. Since $\lambda_{n+1-j} = n+2-j-\mu_i$ and $\lambda_{n-\ell} \leqslant \lambda_{n+1-\ell}$ it follows inductively that $n+2-\ell-\mu_i < \lambda_{n+1-\ell}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. But this yields a contradiction for $\ell = i+1$, namely $\lambda_{n-i} > n+1-i-\mu_i = \lambda_{n+1-i}$. Thus j = i+1.

Claim (ii) is an immediate consequence of $\lambda_{n-i} \leq \lambda_{n+1-i}$ for all $i \in [n-1]$. Claim (iii) follows from (ii) and $\mu_1 \geq 0$. Similarly claims (iv) and (v) follow from (ii) and $\mu_n \leq 1$. \Box

4.4 The diagonal reading word

Let $(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$ be a vertically labelled lattice path. Recall that (π, u) corresponds to an element $u \cdot \lambda + (2n+1)\check{Q}$ of the finite torus by Proposition 17 and hence to a region of the Shi arrangement with minimal alcove $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$ by Theorem 7. That is, $u \cdot \lambda = \mathcal{A}(\widetilde{w}_R) = -\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0$. Our goal for this section is to recover the element \widetilde{w}_R of the affine Weyl group from the labelled path (π, u) .

In order to do so write $\widetilde{w}_R = w\widetilde{w}_D$ where $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ and $\widetilde{w}_D A_\circ$ is the minimal alcove of the dominant Shi region corresponding to λ discussed in the previous section (Section 4.3). Recall that $w = u\tau\sigma$ by Proposition 11. Since we already constructed \widetilde{w}_D from π in the previous section, we are in principle also able to compute the signed permutation w. However, it turns out that this permutation can simply be read off the vertically labelled path (diagonally!).

Definition 27. Let $(\pi, u) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ and μ be the area vector of π . Define the type C_n diagonal reading word $d_C(\pi, u)$ as follows: For each $i = 0, 1, \ldots, n$ first write down the negative labels -u(j) of the rows with $\mu_{n+1-j} = -i$ from top to bottom, then write down the labels u(j) of rows with $\mu_{n+1-j} = i + 1$ from bottom to top.

Example 28. Consider the vertically labelled lattice path (π, u) from our running example, which is depicted again in Figure 8 (right). We first deduce the diagonal reading word $d_C(\pi, u)$ following Definition 27. In Example 25 we already determined the area vector $\mu = (2, 1, 0, -1, -2, 1)$ of π .

For i = 0 we have $-i = 0 = \mu_3 = \mu_{6+1-4}$ hence we write down -u(4) = -2. Moreover $i + 1 = 1 = \mu_6 = \mu_{6+1-1}$ and $i + 1 = \mu_2 = \mu_{6+1-5}$. We write down the labels u(1) = 1

and u(5) = 3 from bottom to top, that is, first 1 and then 3. Next set i = 1. We have $-i = -1 = \mu_4 = \mu_{6+1-3}$ and write down -u(3) = 4. As $i + 1 = 2 = \mu_1 = \mu_{6+1-6}$ we write down u(6) = 6. Finally set i = 2 to obtain $-i = -2 = \mu_5 = \mu_{6+1-2}$ and write down -u(2) = 5. The complete diagonal reading word is thus given by

$$d_C(\pi, u) = [-2, 1, 3, 4, 6, 5]$$

The diagonal reading word of type C_n can also be read off quickly by scanning all boxes that may contain labels according to the diagonal reading order, which is indicated in Figure 8 (left). In our example the first box with respect to the diagonal reading order to contain a label has the number 3. The encountered label is 2. Since this box lies below the alternating path $(NE)^n$ we write down its negative -2. The next two boxes that contain labels have numbers 7 and 11. Hence we write down 1 and then 3. It is not difficult to verify that this procedure always yields $d_C(\pi, u)$.

In light of the following proposition the reader may wish to check that

$$d_C(\pi, u) = u\tau\sigma = [1, -5, -4, 2, 3, 6] \cdot [-6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1] \cdot [3, -6, -2, 4, -1, 5]$$

As a consequence we obtain the affine permutation

$$\widetilde{w}_R = d_C(\pi, u) \, \widetilde{w}_D = [20, 10, -2, -9, -21, 12]$$

that takes the fundamental alcove to the minimal alcove of the Shi region R corresponding to the vertically labelled lattice path (π, u) . Indeed, we have $\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} = [1, 47, 48, 54, 55, 58]$ and

$$\mathcal{A}(\widetilde{w}_R) = -\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0 + 13\mathbb{Z}^6 = (0, 4, 4, -4, -4, 4) + 13\mathbb{Z}^6,$$

which is in accordance with Example 18.

The next result confirms that the diagonal reading word is the correct signed permutation.

Proposition 29. Let $(\pi, u) \in \text{Vert}(C_n)$ be a vertically labelled lattice path with area vector μ , let τ be defined as in Lemma 23, and define $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ as in Lemma 15 such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is Graßmannian. Then $d_C(\pi, u) = u\tau\sigma$.

Proof. Let $i, j \in [n]$. By definition we have $|d_C(\pi, u)(i)| = |u(j)|$ if and only if

$$i = \# \{ r \in [n], |\mu_r| < |\mu_{n+1-j}| \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : r \ge n+1-j, \mu_r = \mu_{n+1-j} > 0 \} + \# \{ r \in [n+1-j], \mu_r = \mu_{n+1-j} \le 0 \} + \# \{ r \in [n], \mu_r = -\mu_{n+1-j} > 0 \} = \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le |\mu_{n+1-j} K - (n+1-j)| \}.$$

By Lemma 15 we obtain $|\sigma(i)| = n + 1 - j$, hence

$$|d_C(\pi, u)(i)| = |u(j)| = |u(n+1 - |\sigma(i)|)| = |u\tau\sigma(i)|.$$

Moreover $d_C(\pi, u)(i) = u(j)$ if and only if $\mu_{n+1-j} > 0$. On the other hand $\tau \sigma(i) = j$ is equivalent to $\sigma(i) = -(n+1-j) < 0$, which is the case if and only if $\mu_{n+1-j} > 0$ by Lemma 15. We can therefore omit the absolute values in the identity above and the proof is complete.

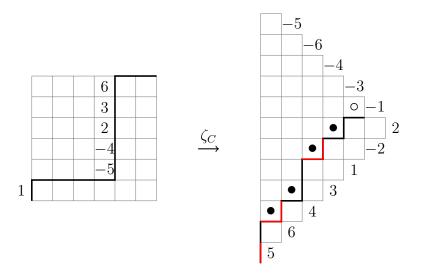


Figure 9: A vertically labelled lattice path and its image under the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map.

4.5 The zeta map

We are now in a position to define the combinatorial zeta map of type C_n , which is made up of the building blocks defined in Section 2.8. Note that there are two versions of the map: one defined on square lattice paths that corresponds to the uniform map defined on W-orbits, and one defined on vertically labelled lattice paths that corresponds to the uniform map defined on the finite torus. To avoid confusion we call the zeta map defined on vertically labelled paths the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map.

Definition 30. Given a lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ with type C_n area vector μ we define its image under the *zeta map* of type C_n as

$$\zeta_C(\pi) = \overleftarrow{S_n^-}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_n^+}(\mu) \overleftarrow{S_{n-1}^-}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_{n-1}^+}(\mu) \cdots \overleftarrow{S_1^-}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_1^+}(\mu) \overleftarrow{S_0^-}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_0^+}(\mu).$$

Moreover, given a vertically labelled lattice path $(\pi, u) \in \text{Vert}(C_n)$, we define its image under the Haglund-Loehr-zeta map of type C_n as

$$\zeta_C(\pi, u) = \left(\zeta_C(\pi), d_C(\pi, u)\right).$$

Note that by definition $\zeta_C(\pi)$ is a ballot path, that is, $\zeta_C : \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \to \mathcal{B}_{2n}$. It will soon turn out that the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map sends vertically labelled lattice paths to diagonally labelled ballot paths.

Example 31. Recall the area vector $\mu = (2, 1, 0, -1, -2, 1)$ and the diagonal reading word d = [-2, 1, 3, 4, 6, 5] of the vertically labelled lattice path shown in Figure 9, which were computed in earlier examples. We construct the individual segments of $\zeta_C(\pi)$ as follows

$$\overleftarrow{S_2^-}(\mu) = N, \ \overrightarrow{S_2^+}(\mu) = N, \ \overleftarrow{S_1^-}(\mu) = EN, \ \overrightarrow{S_1^+}(\mu) = ENN, \ \overleftarrow{S_0^-}(\mu) = EN, \ \overrightarrow{S_0^+}(\mu) = ENE.$$

Our first main result of this section is the fact that the zeta map can be inverted using a construction reminiscent of the bounce path of a Dyck path in type A_{n-1} .

Theorem 32. The zeta map $\zeta_C : \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \to \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ is a bijection.

Proof. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path with type C_n area vector μ . For each k with $0 \leq k \leq n$ let α_k denote the number of indices $i \in [n]$ such that $|\mu_i| = k$.

Define the *bounce path* of a ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ as follows: start at the end point of β and go South until you hit the diagonal. Bounce off it and travel to the West until you reach the upper end of a North step of β . Bounce off the path β to the South until you hit the diagonal again, and repeat until you arrive at (0,0).

Now suppose that $\beta = \zeta_C(\pi)$. By definition of the zeta map the end point of β is $(n - \alpha_0, n + \alpha_0)$. The bounce path of β meets the diagonal for the first time in the point $(n - \alpha_0, n - \alpha_0)$, and then travels West to the point $(n - \alpha_0 - \alpha_1, n - \alpha_0)$, which is the starting point of the segment $\overleftarrow{S}_0^-(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$. We claim that this point is a peak of the bounce path.

To see this note that Lemma 26 (iii) and (iv) imply that each non-empty segment $\overleftarrow{S_j^-}(\mu)$ or $\overrightarrow{S_j^+}(\mu)$ ends with a North step, except possibly $\overrightarrow{S_0^+}(\mu)$. In particular, the starting point of any segment $\overleftarrow{S_j^-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_j^+}(\mu)$ is either (0,0) or the endpoint of a North step of β .

Inductively the peaks of the bounce path therefore encode the numbers $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$.

Knowing α_0 and α_1 we can recover the number and relative order of zeroes, ones and minus ones in μ from the segment $\overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_0}(\mu)$. Since $\overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu)$ ends with a North step, we first obtain the sequences $\overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu)$ and $\overrightarrow{S_0}(\mu)$ and thus the number occurrences of ones and minus ones in μ . Moreover these paths encode the relative order of zeroes and minus ones, respectively the relative order of zeroes and ones. The relative order of ones and minus ones is implied by the following observation: If $\mu_i = 1$ and $\mu_j = -1$ for some $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j then there exists ℓ with $i < \ell < j$ and $\mu_\ell = 0$ due to Lemma 26 (ii).

Similarly one now reconstructs the numbers of twos and minus twos, as well as the relative order of zeroes, ones, minus ones, twos and minus twos, using the segment $\overleftarrow{S_1}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_1}(\mu)$. Continuing in this fashion one recovers the entire area vector μ . Thus ζ_C is injective. Since $\mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ and \mathcal{B}_{2n} both have cardinality $\binom{2n}{n}$ it is also bijective. \Box

Next we state the respective result for the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map of type C_n .

Theorem 33. The Haglund–Loehr-zeta map ζ_C : Vert $(C_n) \rightarrow \text{Diag}(C_n)$ is a bijection.

Note that it follows from Theorem 32 that the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map is injective, since the signed permutation u can be recovered from $d_C(\pi, u)$ once π is known. The missing fact that $(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$ if and only if $(\zeta_C(\pi), d_C(\pi, u)) \in \operatorname{Diag}(C_n)$ is implied by the next theorem, which relates the rises of a vertically labelled path to the valleys of the corresponding diagonally labelled path. Let $(\pi, u) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ and *i* be a rise of π . We say *i* is labelled (u(i), u(i+1)). Given $(\beta, w) \in \mathcal{B}_{2n} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ and a valley (i, j) of β , we say

$$(i,j) \text{ is labelled by } \begin{cases} \left(w(n+1-i), w(n+1-j)\right) & \text{ if } j \leq n, \\ \left(w(n+1-i), w(n-j)\right) & \text{ if } j > n. \end{cases}$$

Note that with our usual way of picturing diagonally labelled ballot paths, each valley is labelled by the number below it and the number to its right.

Example 34. The vertically labelled lattice path in Figure 9 has rises 2, 3, 4 and 5, which are labelled (-5, -4), (-4, 2), (2, 3) and (3, 6). Moreover, its initial North step has label 1. The image under the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map has valleys (1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 6), (4, 7) and (5, 8), which are labelled by (5, 4), (6, 3), (4, -2), (3, 2) and (1, -1).

Theorem 35. Let $(\pi, u) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ be a pair of a lattice path and a signed permutation, and let $a, b \in u([n])$. Then (π, u) has a rise labelled by (a, b) if and only if $(\zeta_C(\pi), d_C(\pi, u))$ has a valley labelled by (b, a) or (-a, -b). Moreover π begins with a North step labelled by a if and only if $(\zeta_C(\pi), d_C(\pi, u))$ has a valley labelled by (a, -a).

Proof. Let μ be the type C_n area vector of π and define $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ as in Lemma 15 such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is Graßmannian. Moreover let $\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ be defined as in Lemma 23.

(Part 1) We first assume that we are given a valley of $(\zeta_C(\pi), d_C(\pi, u))$ and show that there exists a fitting rise in (π, u) . A valley of $\zeta_C(\pi)$ can either occur within a sequence $\overleftarrow{S_k^-}(\mu)$ or $\overrightarrow{S_k^+}(\mu)$, or if $\zeta_C(\pi)$ ends with an East step. We treat these three cases independently. No valley may arise at the join of two such sequences because of Lemma 26 (iii) and (iv).

(1.1) There is a valley within the sequence $\overleftarrow{S_k}(\mu)$. Then there exist indices $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_i = -k$, $\mu_j = -k-1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{-k-1, -k\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. By Lemma 26 (i) we have j = i + 1. Hence $\lambda_{n-i} = n - i - \mu_{i+1} = n + 1 - i - \mu_i = \lambda_{n+1-i}$ and n - i is a rise of π . We claim that the labels of our valley are compatible with the labels (u(n-i), u(n-i+1)) of this rise.

Suppose (x, y) is our valley. Then x equals the number of East steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S_n^-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_n^+}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S_{k+1}^-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_{k+1}^+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S_k^-}(\mu_{i+1},\ldots,\mu_n).$$

In other words

$$x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| > k+1 \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : r \ge i+1, \mu_r = -k-1 \}$$

= # \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \ge |(-k-1)K - (i+1)| \}.

By Lemma 15 we obtain

$$n+1-x = \#\left\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_{i+1} K - (i+1)|\right\} = \left|\sigma^{-1}(i+1)\right|.$$

Since $\mu_{i+1} \leq 0$ we have $\sigma^{-1}(i+1) > 0$ and thus

$$d_C(\pi, u)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = u\tau(i+1) = -u(n-i).$$

Similarly y equals the number of North steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S_n^-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_n^+}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S_{k+1}^-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_{k+1}^+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S_k^-}(\mu_i,\ldots,\mu_n).$$

We may rewrite this as

$$y = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| > k \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : r \ge i, \mu_r = -k \}$$

= # \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \ge |-kK - i| \}.

As before Lemma 15 provides

$$n + 1 - y = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_i K - i| \} = |\sigma^{-1}(i)| = \sigma^{-1}(i)$$

and we compute

$$d_C(\pi, u)(n+1-y) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-y) = u\tau(i) = -u(n+1-i)$$

(1.2) The valley appears within the sequence $\overrightarrow{S}_k^+(\mu)$. Then there exist indices $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_i = k + 1$, $\mu_j = k$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{k, k + 1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. We obtain j = i + 1 and n - i is a rise of π just as in (1.1).

Let (x, y) be our valley. Then x equals the number of East steps in

$$\overleftarrow{S_n}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_n}(\mu)\cdots\overrightarrow{S_k}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_k}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_k}(\mu_1,\ldots,\mu_i).$$

Equivalently

$$x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| > k+1 \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : \mu_r = -k-1 \} + \# \{ r \in [i] : \mu_r = k+1 \}$$

= # \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \ge |(k+1)K - i| \}.

Since $\mu_i > 0$ Lemma 15 implies

$$n+1-x = \#\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_i K - i|\} = |\sigma^{-1}(i)| = -\sigma^{-1}(i)$$

and we compute

$$d_C(\pi, u)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = -u\tau(i) = u(n+1-i).$$

On the other hand y equals the number of North steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S_n}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_n}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S_k}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_k}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S_k}(\mu_1,\ldots,\mu_{i+1}).$$

If k > 0 then

$$y = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| > k \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : \mu_r = -k \} + \# \{ r \in [i+1] : \mu_r = k \}$$

$$= \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \ge |kK - (i+1)| \},\$$

and Lemma 15 provides

$$n+1-y = \#\left\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le |\mu_{i+1} K - (i+1)|\right\} = \left|\sigma^{-1}(i+1)\right| = -\sigma^{-1}(i+1)$$

In particular $y \leq n$ and we compute

$$d_C(\pi, u)(n+1-y) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-y) = -u\tau(i+1) = u(n-i).$$

Otherwise k = 0 and

$$y = n + \# \{ r \in [i+1] : \mu_r = 0 \} = n + \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le i+1 \}$$

From Lemma 15 we obtain

$$y - n = \# \left\{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_{i+1} K - (i+1)| \right\} = \left| \sigma^{-1}(i+1) \right| = \sigma^{-1}(i+1).$$

Since y > n the second label of the valley is given by

$$d_C(\pi, u)(n - y) = -u\tau\sigma(y - n) = -u\tau(i + 1) = u(n - i).$$

(1.3) The path $\zeta_C(\pi)$ ends with an East step. Then there exists $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_i = 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{0, 1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell$. From Lemma 26 (v) we know that i = n. Consequently $\lambda_1 = 1 - \mu_n = 0$ and π begins with a North step.

Let (x, y) be the valley above the final East step. Then x equals the number of East steps in $\zeta_C(\pi)$, that is,

$$x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| > 0 \} = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \ge n + 1 \}$$

$$n + 1 - x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le |\mu_n K - n| \} = |\sigma^{-1}(n)| = -\sigma^{-1}(n)$$

The valley's first label is

$$d_C(\pi, u)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = -u\tau(n) = u(1).$$

On the other hand, y equals the number of North steps of $\zeta_C(\pi)$ plus one. We have

$$y = n + 1 + \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq n \}$$

$$y - n = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq n + 1 \} = -\sigma^{-1}(n).$$

Hence the valley's second label is

$$d_C(\pi, u)(n-y) = -u\tau\sigma(y-n) = u\tau(n) = -u(1).$$

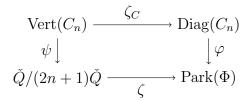
(Part 2) To complete the proof we need to demonstrate the reverse implication. Thus assume that $i \in [n-1]$ is a rise of π , that is, $\lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1}$. Then $\mu_{n+1-i} = i - \lambda_i$ and $\mu_{n-i} = i + 1 - \lambda_{i+1} = \mu_{n+1-i} + 1$.

If $\mu_{n-i} = -k \leq 0$ then $\mu_{n+1-i} = -k - 1$ and we are in the situation of (1.1). If $\mu_{n-i} = k + 1 > 0$ then $\mu_{n+1-i} = k$ and we are in the situation of (1.2).

Finally assume that π begins with a North step. Then $\lambda_1 = 0$ and $\mu_n = 1 - \lambda_1 = 1$. Hence we are in the situation of (1.3).

By now we have assembled all tools needed to prove that the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map ζ_C is indeed the type C_n special case of the uniform bijection discussed in the Section 2.7.

Theorem 36. Let Φ be the root system of type C_n with coroot lattice \hat{Q} and zeta map ζ , and let ψ and φ be defined as in Proposition 17 and Proposition 22. Then the following diagram commutes.



Proof. Let $(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$ and $(\beta, w) = \zeta_C(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Diag}(C_n)$. Moreover let λ be the partition with South East boundary π , define ν and τ as in Lemma 23, and let μ be the area vector of π . Chose $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^C$ such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is a Graßmannian affine permutation.

By Proposition 29 we have $w = u\tau\sigma$, which agrees with Proposition 11. Thus, by Proposition 10 it suffices to show that

$$A_{\beta} = (\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda) \tag{3}$$

We start out by proving that $(\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq A_{\beta}$. To this end let $i \in [n-1]$. Then

$$\alpha_i \in J(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow \lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1} \Leftrightarrow \pi$$
 has a rise *i*.

By Theorem 35 this is the case if and only if (β, w) has a valley (x, y) that is labelled by (u(i+1), u(i)) or (-u(i), -u(i+1)). Moreover, a closer look at the proof of Theorem 35 reveals that the second case only occurs if $y \leq n$. In other words

$$u(i+1) = w(n+1-x) \qquad \text{or} \qquad -u(i) = w(n+1-x),$$
$$u(i) = \begin{cases} w(n+1-y) & \text{if } y \leq n, \\ w(n-y) & \text{if } y > n, \end{cases} \qquad -u(i+1) = w(n+1-y) \quad \text{and } y \leq n.$$

Applying u^{-1} to the above identities yields

$$\begin{split} i+1 &= \tau \sigma(n+1-x) & \text{or} & -i &= \tau \sigma(n+1-x) \\ i &= \begin{cases} \tau \sigma(n+1-y) & \text{if } y \leqslant n, \\ \tau \sigma(n-y) & \text{if } y > n, \end{cases} & -i-1 &= \tau \sigma(n+1-y) & \text{and } y \leqslant n. \end{split}$$

We obtain

$$(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_i = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_\beta.$$

Furthermore $\alpha_0 \in J(\lambda)$ if and only if $\lambda_1 = 0$, that is, π begins with a North step. By Theorem 35 this is equivalent to (β, w) ending with an East step such that the corresponding valley (x, y) has labels (w(n + 1 - x), w(n - y)) = (u(1), -u(1)). Thus $\tau \sigma(n + 1 - x) = 1 = \tau \sigma(y - n)$ and we obtain

$$(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_0 = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_\beta.$$

Finally we have already observed that $-\tilde{\alpha} \notin J(\lambda)$, and the first inclusion in (3) follows.

Conversely, let $\alpha_{x,y} \in A_{\beta}$. By similar reasoning as above it follows that $\tau \sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y}$ is of the form $e_{i+1} - e_i$ for a rise i of π , unless the valley comes from a terminal East step of β , in which case π begins with a North step and $\tau \sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = 2e_1 = \alpha_0$. Hence, we also have $A_{\beta} \subseteq (\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda)$ and the proof is complete. \Box

4.6 The sweep map

In type A_{n-1} there is a generalisation of the zeta map to rational Dyck paths called the sweep map [3]. The concept of the sweep map is as follows. Given a path one assigns to each step a label, the labels being distinct integers. To obtain the image of a path under the sweep map, one rearranges the steps such that the labels are in increasing order.

We now give a description of the zeta map of type C_n similar to the sweep map on Dyck paths. Given a path $\pi = s_1 s_2, \ldots, s_{2n} \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$, where $s_i \in \{E, N\}$, assign a label ℓ_i to each step s_i by setting $\ell_1 = 0$, and $\ell_{i+1} = \ell_i + 2n + 1$ if $s_i = N$, and $\ell_{i+1} = \ell_i - 2n$ if $s_i = E$. Now define a collection X of labelled steps as follows. If $\ell_i < 0$ then add (s_i, ℓ_i) to X. If $\ell_i > 0$ then add $(s_{i-1}, -\ell_i)$. Finally, for the step s_1 which is the only step labelled by 0, add $(s_{2n}, -n)$. Thus X contains 2n labelled steps.

Now draw a path as follows. Choose $(s, \ell) \in X$ such that ℓ is the minimal label among all pairs in X. Draw the step s and remove (s, ℓ) from X. Repeat until X is empty. We denote the path obtained in this way by $sw(\pi)$. See Figure 10.

Theorem 37. For each lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ we have $sw(\pi) = \zeta_C(\pi)$. In particular, the sweep map $sw : \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \to \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ is a bijection.

Proof. The proof consists of a straightforward but rather tedious case by case analysis of the involved labels. Let μ be the type C_n area vector of a path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$. We use the following notation. The label of the *i*-th North step of π is denoted by ℓ_i^N . The corresponding labelled step which is added to X is denoted by (s_i^N, x_i^N) .

We pair each North step with an East step. If the North step has a non-negative label, this is the next East step in the same diagonal. If the North step has a negative label, this is the previous East step in the same diagonal. We denote by ℓ_i^E the label of the East step corresponding to the *i*-th North step, and by (s_i^E, x_i^E) the associated labelled step in X.

For example in Figure 10 we have $\ell_4^N = -9$, $(s_4^N, x_4^N) = (N, -9)$, $\ell_4^E = 1$, and $(s_4^E, x_4^E) = (E, -1)$. Also $\ell_6^N = 17$, $(s_6^N, x_6^N) = (N, -17)$, $\ell_6^E = 30$, and $(s_6^E, x_6^E) = (N, -30)$.

The label of the *i*-th North step is

$$\ell_i^N = (i-1)(2n+1) - (i-\mu_{n-i+1})(2n) = 2n(\mu_{n-i+1}-1) + i - 1.$$
(4)

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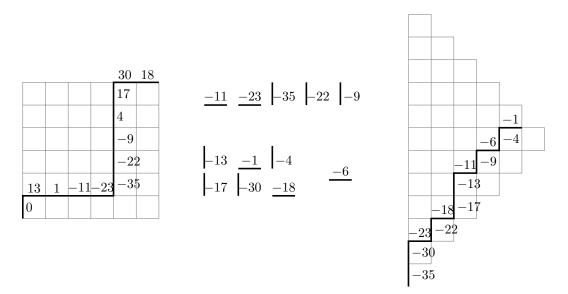


Figure 10: The labelling of π (left), the set X of labelled steps (middle), and the path sw(π) of steps in increasing order (right).

First consider the case $\mu_{n-i+1} > 0$. Then

$$2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| - 2n \leqslant \ell_i^N < 2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| - n.$$

If i > 1 then $x_i^N = -\ell_i^N$. If i = 1 then $x_i^N = -n$. Hence

$$-2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| + n \leqslant x_i^N < -2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| + 2n.$$

On the other hand, if $\mu_{n-i+1} \leq 0$ then

$$-2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| - 2n \leqslant \ell_i^N = x_i^N < -2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| - n.$$

Now, let us treat the East steps. We start with the case $\mu_{n-i+1} > 0$. Then

 $\ell_i^E = \ell_i^N + 2n + k_i = 2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| + i - 1 + k_i,$

for some $k_i \in [n - i + 1]$. Since $x_i^E = -\ell_i^E$, we obtain

$$-2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| - n \leqslant x_i^E < -2n|\mu_{n-i+1}|.$$
(5)

If $\mu_{n-i+1} \leq 0$ then

$$\ell_i^E = \ell_i^N + 2n - k_i = -2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| + i - 1 - k_i,$$

for some $k_i \in \{0, ..., i-1\}$. If $\mu_{n+i-1} < 0$ then

$$-2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| \leq \ell_i^E = x_i^E < -2n|\mu_{n-i+1}| + n.$$

Finally assume $\mu_{n-i+1} = 0$. If $\ell_i^E = 0$ then $x_i^E = -n$. Otherwise $x_i^E = -\ell_i^E$. Combined this yields

$$-n \leqslant x_i^E < 0,$$

which is a special case of (5).

We make the following observation. If $-2nk \leq x_i^s < -2nk + n$, where k = 1, 2, ...,then either s = E and $\mu_{n-i+1} = -k$, or s = N and $\mu_{n-i+1} = -k + 1$. Similarly, if $-2nk + n \leq x_i^s < -2nk + 2n$, where k = 1, 2, ..., then either s = N and $\mu_{n-i+1} = k$ or s = E and $\mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1$.

Thus by definition the path sw(π) is composed of segments T(-k, -k+1), T(k-1, k), where $k = 1, 2, \ldots$, such that each step of T(-k, -k+1) corresponds to an entry of the area vector $\mu_{n-i+1} \in \{-k, -k+1\}$, and each step of T(k-1, k) corresponds an entry $\mu_{n-i+1} \in \{k-1, k\}$.

This is a good sign because the path $\zeta_C(\pi)$ is also composed of segments with the same property. Indeed we will carry out the proof by showing that $T(-k, -k+1) = \overleftarrow{S_{k-1}}(\mu)$ and $T(k-1,k) = \overrightarrow{S_{k-1}}(\mu)$.

We first prove that $T(-k, -k+1) = \overleftarrow{S_{k-1}}(\mu)$ for $k \ge 1$. As $\mu_{n-i+1} = -k < 0$ implies $x_i^E = \ell_i^E < 0$ and $\mu_{n-i+1} = -k+1 \le 0$ implies $x_i^N = \ell_i^N < 0$, we have $s_i^E = E$ and $s_j^N = N$. That is, every entry $\mu_{n-i+1} = -k$ will contribute an East step while each entry $\mu_{n-i+1} = -k+1$ contributes a North step. This is consistent with the definition of the zeta map. Therefore, it suffices to check that i < j implies

$$x_i^E < x_j^N$$
 if $\mu_{n-j+1} = -k+1, \mu_{n-i+1} = -k,$ (6)

$$x_i^N < x_j^E$$
 if $\mu_{n-j+1} = -k, \mu_{n-i+1} = -k+1.$ (7)

Inequality (6) is trivial as

$$x_i^E = -2nk + i - 1 - k_i < 2n(-k + 1 - 1) + j - 1 = x_j^N$$

To see (7) note that $\mu_{n-j+1} = -k$ and $\mu_{n-i+1} = -k+1$ imply that the path π has an East step in the same diagonal as its *j*-th North step somewhere between its *i*-th and *j*-th North steps. That is, $k_j \leq j - i - 1$ and therefore

$$x_i^N = 2n(-k+1-1) + i - 1 < -2nk + j - 1 - k_j = x_j^E.$$

Next we show that $T(k-1,k) = \overrightarrow{S}_{k-1}^+(\mu)$ for $k \ge 2$. In this case $\mu_{n-i+1} = k > 1$ implies $\ell_i^N > 0$ and $\mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1 > 0$ implies $\ell_i^E > 0$. This case is more difficult (confusing) because we do not necessarily have $s_i^E = E$ and $s_j^N = N$. Instead, if $\mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1$ and $\mu_{n-j+1} = k$ then

$$s_i^E = \begin{cases} E & \text{if } \mu_{n-i} = k, \\ N & \text{if } \mu_{n-i} \leqslant k-1 \text{ or } i = n, \end{cases} \qquad s_j^N = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } \mu_{n-j+2} = k-1, \\ E & \text{if } \mu_{n-j+2} \geqslant k. \end{cases}$$

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Thus an entry $\mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1$ contributes an East step instead of a North step if and only if the previous entry $\mu_{n-i} = k$ contributes a North step instead of an East step. We see that the number of East and North steps in T(k-1,k) is consistent with the definition of the zeta map.

To see that also the relative orders of the steps in T(k-1,k) and $\overrightarrow{S}_{k-1}^+(\mu)$ agree, it suffices to prove that i < j implies

$$x_j^E < x_i^E$$
 if $\mu_{n-j+1} = \mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1$, (8)

$$x_j^N < x_i^N$$
 if $\mu_{n-j+1} = \mu_{n-i+1} = k$, (9)
 $x_j^E < x_i^N$ if $\mu_{n-j+1} = \mu_{n-i+1} = k$, (10)

$$x_j^E < x_i^N$$
 if $\mu_{n-j+1} = k - 1, \mu_{n-i+1} = k.$ (10)

Moreover, let i < j, $\mu_{n-j+1} = k$ and $\mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1$. Then we require that

$$x_i^E < x_j^N \tag{11}$$

if and only if there exists no r such that i < r < j and $\mu_{n-r+1} = k - 1$.

From (8)–(11) it follows that the order of the steps is (almost) obtained by reading the area vector from left to right drawing s_i^E whenever $\mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1$, and s_i^N whenever $\mu_{n-i+1} = k$. The only exception to this rule is when $\mu_{n-i+1} = k - 1$ and $\mu_{n-i} = k$. In this case one has to draw the step $s_i^E = E$ before the step $s_{i+1}^N = N$.²

We now prove the claims (8)–(11). If i < j and $\mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1} = k - 1$ then there must be an East step on the diagonal between the *i*-th and *j*-th North steps of π . Hence $k_i \leq j - i$ and we obtain (8).

$$x_i^E = -2n(k-1) - i + 1 - k_i \ge -2n(k-1) - j + 1 > -2n(k-1) - j + 1 - k_j = x_j^E$$

The inequalities (9) and (10) are trivial as

$$x_i^N = -2n(k-1) - i + 1 > \begin{cases} -2n(k-1) - j + 1 = x_j^N \\ -2n(k-1) - j + 1 - k_j = x_j^E. \end{cases}$$

To see claim (11), first assume that there is no r with i < r < j and $\mu_r = k - 1$. Then $k_i \ge j - i + 1$ and

$$x_i^E = -2n(k-1) - i + 1 - k_i \leq -2n(k-1) - j < -2n(k-1) - j + 1 = x_j^N.$$

On the other hand, if there is such an r then $k_i \leq r - i < j - i$ and we obtain

$$x_i^E = -2n(k-1) - i + 1 - k_i > -2n(k-1) - j + 1 = x_j^N.$$

²In fact, one also draws $s_i^E = E$ before all the East steps coming from entries of the area vector equal to k occurring between the (n - i + 1)-th and the (n - t + 1)-th entry, where t is minimal such that i < t and $\mu_{n-t+1} = k - 1$. However, permuting East steps clearly has no effect on the resulting path.

Finally, we need to show $T(0,1) = \overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$. Let $\mu_{n-j+1} = 0$ and assume $\ell_j^E \neq 0$. Then $x_j^E = -j + 1 + k_j$. Choose *i* maximal such that i < j and $\mu_{n-i+1} \in \{0,1\}$. Note that such an *i* always exists. Then

$$s_j^E = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 0, \\ E & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 1. \end{cases}$$

If $\ell_j^E = 0$ then $x_j^E = -n$. In this case $\mu_{n-i+1} < 0$ for all i < j. Instead choose $i \leq n$ maximal such that $\mu_{n-i+1} \in \{0, 1\}$. Then

$$s_j^E = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 0, \\ E & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 1. \end{cases}$$

Now let $\mu_{n-j+1} = 1$ and assume j > 1. Then $x_j^N = -j + 1$. Choose *i* maximal such that i < j and $\mu_{n-i+1} \in \{0, 1\}$. Again such an *i* always exists. Then

$$s_j^N = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 0, \\ E & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 1. \end{cases}$$

If j = 1 then $\ell_j^N = 0$ and $x_j^N = -n$. In this case choose $i \leq n$ maximal such that $\mu_{n-i+1} \in \{0,1\}$. Then

$$s_j^N = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 0, \\ E & \text{if } \mu_{n-i+1} = 1. \end{cases}$$

We see that every entry of the area vector equal to zero contributes a North step and every entry equal to one contributes an East step. Again this is consistent with the zeta map. To see that the relative orders of North and East steps in T(0,1) and $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ are the same, it suffices to show that for all i < j

$$\begin{split} -n &< x_i^E & \text{if } \ell_i^E \neq 0, \\ -n &< x_i^N & \text{if } i > 1, \\ x_j^E &< x_i^E & \text{if } \mu_{n-j+1} = \mu_{n-i+1} = 0, \ell_i^E \neq 0, \\ x_j^N &< x_i^N & \text{if } \mu_{n-j+1} = \mu_{n-i+1} = 1, i > 1, \\ x_j^E &< x_i^N & \text{if } \mu_{n-j+1} = 0, \mu_{n-i+1} = 1, i > 1, \\ x_j^N &< x_i^E & \text{if } \mu_{n-j+1} = 1, \mu_{n-i+1} = 0, \ell_i^E \neq 0. \end{split}$$

5 The zeta map of type D

In Sections 5.1 and 5.2 we describe combinatorial models for the finite torus of type D_n in terms of vertically labelled signed lattice paths, and for the non-nesting parking functions of type D_n in terms of diagonally labelled signed ballot paths. Again these models nicely

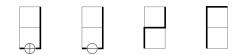


Figure 11: The signed lattice paths in $\mathcal{L}_{1,2}^{\bullet}$.

reflect the orbit structure under the action of the Weyl group \mathfrak{S}_n^D in the sense that acting by an element of \mathfrak{S}_n^D only changes the labels, but not the underlying path.

In Section 5.3 we recover the dominant Shi region corresponding to a signed lattice path using its area vector. Moreover we show how the Shi region corresponding to a vertically labelled signed lattice path can be obtained using the diagonal reading word in Section 5.4. The chosen models allow for a natural combinatorial description of the zeta map, which is presented in Section 5.5. We prove that this construction coincides with the uniform zeta map, thus implying that it is bijective. Moreover we show that the zeta map induces a new bijection between lattice paths and ballot paths of odd length (without signs).

The examples in this section are supplemented by Table 4 in the appendix.

5.1 The finite torus

The Coxeter number of the root system of type D_n is h = 2n - 2 hence the finite torus is $T = \check{Q}/(2n-1)\check{Q}$. Athanasiadis [6, Sec. 5.4] demonstrated that the system of representatives $\check{Q} \cap (2n-1)\overline{A_o}$ for the orbits of T under the action of the Weyl group is given by

$$\left\{ (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \check{Q} : 0 \leqslant |\lambda_1| \leqslant \lambda_2 \leqslant \dots \leqslant \lambda_n \text{ and } \lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n \leqslant 2n - 1 \right\},$$
(12)

and that the stabiliser subgroup $\operatorname{Stab}(\lambda) \leq \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ is generated by the simple transpositions s_i for each $i \in [n-1]$ such that $\lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1}$, the reflection $s_{\tilde{\alpha}}$ that exchanges λ_{n-1} and λ_n and changes the signs of these entries if $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n - 1$, and the simple transposition s_0 that exchanges λ_1 and λ_2 and changes the signs of these entries if $\lambda_1 = -\lambda_2$.

Definition 38. A signed lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ is a lattice path in $\mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}$ except that if it begins with an East step then this East step is replaced by a signed East step from the set $\{E^+, E^-\}$. We also define a sign function on signed lattice paths by setting $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ if π contains E^- and $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$ otherwise.

For example the set $\mathcal{L}_{1,2}^{\bullet} = \{E^+NN, E^-NN, NEN, NNE\}$ is displayed in Figure 11.

Given a signed lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ let π_i denote the number of East steps (with or without sign) of π that occur before the *i*-th North step of π . Define an integer vector λ by setting

$$\lambda_1 = \epsilon(\pi)\pi_1$$

$$\lambda_i = \pi_i \qquad \text{for } 1 < i < n \text{ and} \qquad (13)$$

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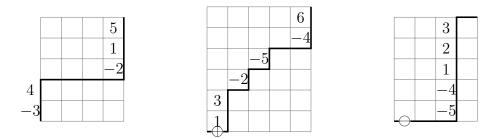


Figure 12: Three vertically labelled signed lattice paths.

$$\lambda_n = \begin{cases} 2\pi_n - \pi_{n-1} & \text{if } \pi_1 + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is even,} \\ 2n - 1 - 2\pi_n + \pi_{n-1} & \text{if } \pi_1 + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Example 39. Consider the three signed lattice paths in Figure 12 (ignoring the labels for the moment). For the first path we find $\pi = (0, 0, 4, 4, 4)$, $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$, and $\pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 = 4$ is even. We obtain $\lambda = (0, 0, 4, 4, 4)$.

For the second path we find $\pi = (1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 5)$, $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$, and $\pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 + \pi_4 = 7$ is odd. We compute $\lambda = (1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6)$.

Finally, for the third path we find $\pi = (3, 3, 3, 3, 3)$, $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$, and $\pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 = 9$ is odd. Hence $\lambda = (-3, 3, 3, 3, 6)$.

It is easy to see that signed lattice paths represent the orbits of the finite torus under the action of the Weyl group.

Proposition 40. The map $\psi : \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet} \to \check{Q} \cap (2n-1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ defined by (13) is a bijection.

Proof. Suppose $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ is a signed lattice path. Clearly $|\lambda_1| \leq \lambda_2 \leq \ldots \leq \lambda_{n-1}$. Moreover, $\pi_{n-1} \leq 2\pi_n - \pi_{n-1} < 2n - 1 - \pi_{n-1}$ and $\pi_{n-1} < 2n - 1 - 2\pi_n + \pi_{n-1} \leq 2n - 1 - \pi_{n-1}$ hence $\lambda_{n-1} \leq \lambda_n \leq 2n - 1 - \lambda_{n-1}$. Since $\lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_n$ is even by definition, we conclude that $\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (2n-1)\overline{A_o}$.

By adding suitable labels to the signed lattice paths, we obtain a combinatorial model for the finite torus of type D_n . This definition is very much in the spirit of the vertically labelled Dyck paths in type A_{n-1} and the vertically labelled lattice paths in type C_n .

Definition 41. A vertically labelled signed lattice path (π, v) is a pair of a signed lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ and a signed permutation $v \in \mathfrak{S}_{n}^{B}$ such that v(i) < v(i+1) for each rise i of π , |v(1)| < v(2) if π begins with two North steps, and

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{sgn}(v(i)) = \epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{\lambda_{n-1}+\lambda_n},$$

where λ is defined by (13). We denote the set of all vertically labelled signed lattice paths by $\operatorname{Vert}(D_n)$.

Furthermore, given a vertically labelled signed lattice path (π, v) define a signed permutation $u \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$, by setting

$$u(1) = \epsilon(\pi)v(1),$$

$$u(i) = v(i) \qquad \text{for } 1 < i < n \text{ and} \qquad (14)$$

$$u(n) = (-1)^{\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n} v(n).$$

Note that by definition u has an even number of sign changes.

Example 42. We can confirm that the vertically labelled lattice paths in Figure 12 fulfil all requirements. Consider the left path first. Since $\epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{\lambda_4+\lambda_5} = 1 \cdot (-1)^{4+4} = 1$ we must have $v \in \mathfrak{S}_5^D$, that is, v must have an even number of sign changes. Since π begins with two North steps we require |v(1)| = 3 < v(2) = 4. Additionally, 3 and 4 are rises of π thus v(3) = -2 < v(4) = 1 < v(5) = 5. The even signed permutation u is given by u = v = [-3, 4, -2, 1, 5].

Secondly, for the middle path we find $\epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{\lambda_5+\lambda_8} = 1 \cdot (-1)^{5+6} = -1$. Accordingly the signed permutation v = [1, 3, -2, -5, -4, 6] has an odd number of sign changes, that is, $v \in \mathfrak{S}_6^B - \mathfrak{S}_6^D$. The path π has two rises 1 and 5, and v fulfils the conditions v(1) = 1 < v(2) = 3 and v(5) = -4 < v(6) = 6. The associated even signed permutation $u = [1, 3, -2, -5, -4, -6] \in \mathfrak{S}_6^D$ is obtained from v by changing the sign of v(6).

Finally, for the right path we compute $\epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{\lambda_4+\lambda_5} = (-1)\cdot(-1)^{3+6} = 1$. Accordingly the signed permutation $v = [-5, -4, 1, 2, 3] \in \mathfrak{S}_5^D$ has an even number of sign chances. The rises of π are 1, 2, 3 and 4, and we have v(1) < v(2) < v(3) < v(4) < v(5). Moreover the even signed permutation u = [5, -4, 1, 2, -3] is obtained from v by changing the signs of v(1) and v(5).

We now extend the bijection of Proposition 40 to the finite torus.

Proposition 43. The map ψ : Vert $(D_n) \rightarrow \check{Q}/(2n-1)\check{Q}$ given by $(\pi, v) \mapsto u \cdot \lambda + (2n-1)\check{Q}$, where λ and u are defined in (13) and (14), is a bijection.

Proof. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ be a signed lattice path and $u \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ an even signed permutation. Using Proposition 40 and Lemma 5 it suffices to show that $(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Vert}(D_n)$ if and only if $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$.

This is not a difficult task and is accomplished by distinguishing a few cases. For example consider the two simple roots in $S = \{e_2 - e_1, e_2 + e_1\}$. If $(\pi, v) \in \text{Vert}(D_n)$ then

$$S \cap J(\lambda) = \{e_2 - e_1\} \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > 0 \Leftrightarrow \pi_1 = \pi_2 \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow v(1) < v(2) \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow u(1) < u(2) \Leftrightarrow u \cdot (e_2 - e_1) \in \Phi^+,$$

$$S \cap J(\lambda) = \{e_2 + e_1\} \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 = -\lambda_2 < 0 \Leftrightarrow \pi_1 = \pi_2 \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow v(1) < v(2) \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow -u(1) < u(2) \Leftrightarrow u \cdot (e_2 + e_1) \in \Phi^+,$$

$$S \subseteq J(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \pi \text{ begins with two North steps}$$

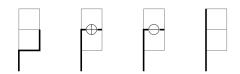


Figure 13: The set \mathcal{B}_3^{\bullet} of signed ballot paths of length three.

$$\Rightarrow |v(1)| < v(2) \Leftrightarrow |u(1)| < u(2) \Leftrightarrow u \cdot S \subseteq \Phi^+.$$

Conversely, assume that $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$. Then

$$\begin{split} \pi_1 &= \pi_2 > 0 \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > 0 \Leftrightarrow S \cap J(\lambda) = \{e_2 - e_1\} \\ &\Rightarrow u \cdot (e_2 - e_1) \in \Phi^+ \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = 1 \\ &\Leftrightarrow u(1) < u(2) \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow v(1) < v(2), \\ \pi_1 &= \pi_2 > 0 \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = -1 \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 = -\lambda_2 > 0 \Leftrightarrow S \cap J(\lambda) = \{e_2 + e_1\} \\ &\Rightarrow u \cdot (e_2 + e_1) \in \Phi^+ \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = -1 \\ &\Leftrightarrow -u(1) < u(2) \text{ and } \epsilon(\pi) = -1 \\ &\Rightarrow v(1) < v(2), \\ \text{begins with two North steps } \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow S \subseteq J(\lambda) \\ &\Rightarrow u \cdot S \subseteq \Phi^+ \Leftrightarrow |u(1)| < u(2) \Leftrightarrow |v(1)| < v(2). \end{split}$$

All other roots $\alpha \in \Delta \cup \{\tilde{\alpha}\}$ are treated similarly (See also the proofs of Proposition 17 and Proposition 68).

5.2 Non-nesting parking functions

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In this section we present an interpretation of the non-nesting parking functions of type D_n in terms of labelled ballot paths of odd length.

One aspect of the root system of type D_n that is different from the other infinite families $(A_{n-1}, B_n \text{ and } C_n)$ is the fact that the root poset is no longer planar. For this reason its antichains are seldom associated with lattice paths in the literature. However, we have found a simple way to represent antichains by ballot paths of odd length by adding a sign to a certain East step.

Definition 44. A signed ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n-1}^{\bullet}$ is a ballot path with 2n - 1 steps except that if its *n*-th North step is followed by an East step, then this East step is replaced with a signed East step from the set $\{E^+, E^-\}$. We define a sign function $\epsilon : \mathcal{B}_{2n-1}^{\bullet} \to \{\pm 1\}$ in the same way as for signed lattice paths, that is, $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ if π contains the step E^- and $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$ otherwise.

For example the set $\mathcal{B}_3^{\bullet} = \{NEN, NNE^+, NNE^-, NNN\}$ is pictured in Figure 13.

Let $\beta \in \mathcal{B}^{\bullet}_{2n-1}$ be a signed ballot path and (i, j) a valley of β . We define the corresponding root $\alpha_{i,j} \in \Phi^+$ by

$$\alpha_{i,j} = \begin{cases} e_{n+1-i} - e_{n+1-j} & \text{if } j \leqslant n-1, \\ e_{n+1-i} - \epsilon(\beta)e_1 & \text{if } j = n, \\ e_{n+1-i} + \epsilon(\beta)e_1 & \text{if } j = n+1, \\ e_{n+1-i} + e_{j-n} & \text{if } j \geqslant n+2. \end{cases}$$

Furthermore set

$$A_{\beta} = \{ \alpha_{i,j} : (i,j) \text{ is a valley of } \beta \},\$$

except if β has a valley (i, n) and the *n*-th North step of β is not followed by an East step, in which case both $\alpha_{i,n}$ and $\alpha_{i,n+1}$ are added to A_{β} due to the valley (i, n). It is easy to check that this correspondence connects signed ballot paths to antichains in the root poset.

Proposition 45. The map $\varphi : \mathcal{B}_{2n-1}^{\bullet} \to \operatorname{Antichains}(\Phi^+)$ given by $\beta \mapsto A_{\beta}$ is a bijection between signed ballot paths and antichains in the root poset Φ^+ of type D_n .

Example 46. Consider the signed ballot paths in Figure 14 (disregarding the labels for the moment). The first path has three valleys (1,3), (2,5) and (3,7). The second valley, marked with a star in Figure 14, is of the special form (i, n) where the *n*-th North step is not followed by an East step, and therefore contributes two roots. We obtain $A_{\beta} = \{e_5 - e_3, e_4 - e_1, e_4 + e_1, e_3 + e_2\}.$

The second path has two valleys (1,7) and (2,10). Since 7 = n + 1 the former contributes the root $e_6 + \epsilon(\beta)e_1 = e_6 - e_1$. We obtain $A_\beta = \{e_6 - e_1, e_5 + e_4\}$.

For the third path we compute $A_{\beta} = \{e_5 - e_4, e_4 - e_2, e_3 + e_1, e_2 - e_1\}.$

Next we extend signed ballot paths (introducing diagonal labellings) to obtain a combinatorial model for the non-nesting parking functions of type D_n . This construction is akin to diagonally labelled Dyck path in type A_{n-1} and diagonally labelled ballot paths in type C_n .

Definition 47. A diagonally labelled signed ballot path (β, w) is a pair of a signed ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n-1}^{\bullet}$ and a signed permutation with an even number of sign changes $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ such that for each valley (i, j) of β we have

$$w(n+1-i) > \begin{cases} w(n+1-j) & \text{ if } j \leq n-1, \\ \epsilon(\beta)w(1) & \text{ if } j = n, \\ -\epsilon(\beta)w(1) & \text{ if } j = n+1, \\ w(n-j) & \text{ if } j \geqslant n+2, \end{cases}$$

and such that w(n + 1 - i) > |w(1)| if β has a valley (i, n) and the *n*-th North step of β is not followed by an East step. We denote the set of all diagonally labelled signed ballot paths by $\text{Diag}(D_n)$.

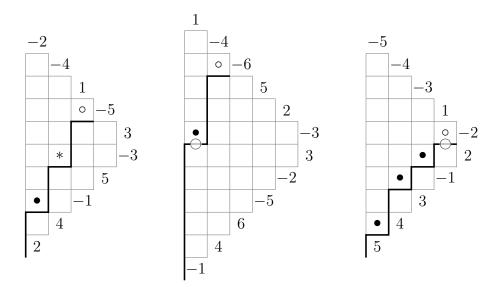


Figure 14: Three diagonally labelled signed ballot paths.

Hence, if we place the labels w(i), where $i = n, n - 1, ..., 2, \epsilon(\beta), -\epsilon(\beta), -2, ..., -n$, in the diagonal then for each valley the label to its right has to be smaller than the label below it.

Example 48. Let us return to the diagonally labelled ballot paths of Figure 14. First consider the leftmost path. From $\epsilon(\beta) = 1$ we obtain $w = [-3, 5, -1, 4, 2] \in \mathfrak{S}_5^D$. We can confirm that w fulfils the conditions w(6-1) = 2 > w(6-3) = -1 and w(6-3) = -1 > w(5-7) = -5, which are imposed by the valleys (1,3) and (3,7). Moreover we have w(6-2) = 4 > |w(1)| = 3 in accordance with the special valley (2,5).

For the middle path we find $\epsilon(\beta) = -1$ and $w = [-3, -2, -5, 6, 4, -1] \in \mathfrak{S}_6^D$. Note that $w(7-1) = -1 > -\epsilon(\beta)w(1) = w(1) = -3$ as it is required by the presence of a valley (1,7) = (1, n+1).

In case of the rightmost path we find $\epsilon(\beta) = -1$ and thus w = [-2, -1, 3, 4, 5]. We verify that $w(5) = 5 > w(4) = 4 > w(2) = -1 > -\epsilon(\beta)w(1) = -2$ and $w(3) = 3 > \epsilon(\beta)w(1) = 2$.

We conclude this section by extending Proposition 45 to a bijection between diagonally labelled signed ballot paths an non-nesting parking functions.

Proposition 49. The map φ : $\text{Diag}(D_n) \to \text{Park}(D_n)$ given by $(\beta, w) \mapsto [w, A_\beta]$ is a bijection.

Proof. Let $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(D_n)$ be a diagonally labelled signed ballot path. In order to prove that φ is injective, it suffices to show that w is the canonical coset representative of $[w, A_\beta]$ described in Lemma 8, that is, $w \cdot A_\beta \subseteq \Phi^+$. This is a simple consequence of the definitions, for example

$$\alpha_{i,n} = e_{n+1-i} - \epsilon(\beta)e_1 \in A_\beta \Leftrightarrow (i,n)$$
 is a valley of β

$$\Rightarrow w(n+1-i) > \epsilon(\beta)w(1) \Leftrightarrow w(\alpha_{i,n}) \in \Phi^+.$$

Conversely suppose that $[w, A_{\beta}] \in \operatorname{Park}(D_n)$, where $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ is chosen such that $w \cdot A_{\beta} \subseteq \Phi^+$. Then it is not difficult to show that (w, β) is a diagonal labelling, and thus φ is surjective. For example,

$$(i,n) \text{ is a valley of } \beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha_{i,n} \in A_{\beta}$$
$$\Rightarrow w(\alpha_{i,n}) \in \Phi^+ \Leftrightarrow w(n+1-i) > \epsilon(\beta)w(1). \qquad \Box$$

5.3 The area vector

Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ be a signed lattice path and define λ as in Proposition 40. Recall that λ represents an orbit of the finite torus under the action of the Weyl group, and therefore corresponds to a dominant Shi region with minimal alcove $\widetilde{w}_D A_{\circ}$ via the Anderson map of Section 2.5. The main goal of this section is to recover the element \widetilde{w}_D of the affine Weyl group from π .

As before we write $\widetilde{w}_D^{-1} = t_\mu \sigma$ where $\mu \in \check{Q}$ and $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$. Since \widetilde{w}_D^{-1} is Graßmannian, the signed permutation σ is given by Lemma 15 once we know μ . We will see shortly that μ can be interpreted as an area vector of the signed lattice path π , similar to the area vector of a Dyck path in type A_{n-1} or a lattice path in type C_n .

Recall from Section 2.7 that μ appears implicitly in the identity $\lambda = \widetilde{w}_f \widetilde{w}_D^{-1} \cdot 0$. To find μ we need an explicit description of w_f .

Lemma 50. We have $w_f = t_{\nu}\tau$, where $\nu \in \check{Q}$ and $\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ are given by

$$\nu = \begin{cases} (0, 1, \dots, n-2, n-1) \\ (0, 1, \dots, n-2, n) \end{cases} \quad \tau = \begin{cases} [1, 2, \dots, n-1, n] & \text{if } n-1 \equiv 0, 3 \mod 4, \\ [-1, 2, \dots, n-1, -n] & \text{if } n-1 \equiv 1, 2 \mod 4. \end{cases}$$

Proof. By Lemma 3 it suffices to show that $t_{\nu}\tau(\widetilde{\Delta}) = (\Delta - \delta) \cup \{-\tilde{\alpha} + h\delta\}$. Suppose $n-1 \equiv 0, 3 \mod 4$, then

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_i) = \alpha_i - \langle \tau, \alpha_i \rangle \delta = \alpha_i - \delta \qquad \text{for all } 0 \leq i \leq n-1,$$

$$t_{\nu}\tau(-\tilde{\alpha} + \delta) = -\tilde{\alpha} + (1 + \langle \tau, \tilde{\alpha} \rangle)\delta = -\tilde{\alpha} + (2n-2)\delta.$$

If $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4, then four cases are different:

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_{0}) = \alpha_{1} - \delta,$$

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_{1}) = \alpha_{0} - \delta,$$

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_{n-1}) = -\tilde{\alpha} + \langle \tau, \tilde{\alpha} \rangle \delta = -\tilde{\alpha} + (2n-2)\delta \qquad \text{and} \qquad$$

$$t_{\nu}\tau(-\tilde{\alpha} + \delta) = \alpha_{n-1} + (1 - \langle \tau, \alpha_{n-1} \rangle)\delta = \alpha_{n-1} - \delta.$$

For example in dimensions n = 5 and n = 6 we have

$$w_f = [1, -9, -19, -29, -39]$$
 and $w_f = [-1, -11, -23, -35, -47, 72].$

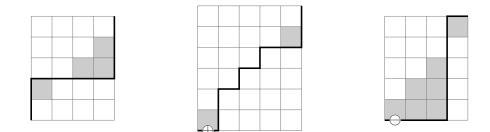


Figure 15: Signed lattice paths with area vectors (0, -1, 2, 1, 0), (-1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0) and (-3, 2, 1, 0, 2).

Definition 51. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ be a signed lattice path, and define λ as in Proposition 40, and $\nu \in \check{Q}$ and $\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ as in Lemma 50. We define the type D_n area vector of π as $\mu = \tau(\lambda - \nu)$.

Indeed note that for 1 < i < n the entry μ_i counts the number of boxes in the *i*-th row between the path π and the alternating path $\rho = N(EN)^{n-1} \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}$ (the number being negative while π is above ρ). Furthermore μ_1 counts the number of such boxes in the first row up to a sign, while μ_n is a little mysterious if one only looks at the picture of π .

Example 52. We revisit the signed lattice paths from our running example that are drawn again in Figure 15. The first path begins with a North step, thus the entries μ_i of the area vector count the number of shaded boxes between π and $\rho = N(EN)^4$ for all $i \in [n-1]$. Here $\mu_2 = -1$ is negative because π is above ρ in the second row. Moreover $n-1 = 4 \equiv 0 \mod 4$. Thus $\mu_n = \lambda_n - (n-1) = 4 - 4 = 0$. We obtain $\mu = (0, -1, 2, 1, 0)$.

For the second path we find $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$ but $n - 1 = 5 \equiv 1$ modulo 4. Hence $\tau(1) = -1$ and $\mu_1 = -1$. Note that this is the number of boxes between π and $\rho = N(EN)^5$ in the first row with a negative sign even though π is below ρ in this row. For 1 < i < 6the entries μ_i give the number of boxes between π and ρ in the *i*-th row. Furthermore $\mu_n = -(n - \lambda_n) = -(6 - 6) = 0$. We obtain $\mu = (-1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0)$.

In case of the third path we have $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ and $n-1 \equiv 0$ modulo 4. Thus $\mu_1 = -3$ is the number of boxes between π and the alternating path ρ in the first row with the "wrong" sign. Moreover $\mu_n = \lambda_n - (n-1) = 6 - 4 = 2$. We compute $\mu = (-3, 2, 1, 0, 2)$.

From the area vector we can compute the affine permutation \widetilde{w}_D that takes the fundamental alcove to the minimal alcove of the dominant Shi region corresponding to the signed path π . We do so for the middle path of Figure 15. The translation $t_{\mu} \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^D$ is given by $t_{\mu} = [14, 2, 3, 4, -8, 6]$. The unique even signed permutation $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ such that $(\sigma t_{\mu})^{-1}A_{\circ}$ lies in the dominant chamber is $\sigma = [-2, 3, 4, 6, -5, 1]$. We obtain $\widetilde{w}_D^{-1} = t_{\mu}\sigma = [-2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 14]$ and $\widetilde{w}_D = [-7, -1, 2, 3, 8, 4]$.

We conclude this section by proving a simple lemma that will be useful later on. The description of the representatives for the orbits of the Weyl group action on the finite torus given in (12) imposes certain restrictions on the area vector of a signed lattice path. Our lemma captures some of these properties.

Lemma 53. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ be a signed lattice path with area vector μ .

- (i) Let $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_j = \mu_i 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{\mu_i 1, \mu_i\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. Then j = i + 1.
- (ii) Let $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_i \leq 0$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{\mu_i, \mu_i + 1\}$ for all ℓ with $1 \leq \ell < i$. Then i = 1 or $i = 2, \mu_2 = 0$.
- (iii) If $\mu_1 < 0$ then there exists $i \in [n]$ with $\mu_i \in \{-\mu_1 1, -\mu_1\}$.
- (iv) Assume $\mu_1 < 0$ and let $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_i = -\mu_1 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{-\mu_1, -\mu_1 1\}$ for all ℓ with $1 < \ell < i$. Then i = 2.
- (v) Let $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_i > 0$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{\mu_i 1, \mu_i\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell \leq n$. Then i = n.
- (vi) If $\mu_n > 0$ then there exists $i \in [n]$ with $\mu_i \in \{-\mu_n + 1, -\mu_n + 2\}$.
- (vii) Assume $\mu_n > 0$ and let $i \in [n-1]$ such that $\mu_i = -\mu_n + 2$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{-\mu_n + 1, -\mu_n + 2\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < n$. Then i = n - 1.

Proof. We first prove claim (i). From $\lambda = \tau \cdot \mu + \nu$ we obtain $\lambda_{\ell} = \mu_{\ell} + \ell - 1$ for all ℓ with $1 < \ell < n$. Thus, in the described situation we have $\lambda_{\ell} \notin \{\mu_i + \ell - 2, \mu_i + \ell - 1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. If $n - 1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4 or if j < n then $\lambda_j = \mu_i + j - 2$. Hence $\lambda_{\ell} \leq \lambda_{\ell+1}$ implies $\lambda_{\ell} < \mu_i + \ell - 2$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. On the other hand if $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 and j = n, then $\lambda_n = -\mu_i + n + 1$. Since $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n \leq 2n - 1$ we obtain that $\lambda_{n-1} \leq \mu_i + n - 2$, and again we have $\lambda_{\ell} < \mu_i + \ell - 2$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. But for $\ell = i + 1$ this yields a contradiction, namely $|\lambda_i| = |\mu_i + i - 1| \leq \lambda_{i+1} < \mu_i + i - 1$.

To see (ii) note that by the same argument as in the proof of (i) we obtain $\lambda_{\ell} < \mu_i + \ell - 1$ for all ℓ with $1 < \ell < i$. Thus if i > 2 then $0 \leq \lambda_2 < \mu_i + 1$ implies $\mu_i = 0$, $\lambda_2 = 0$ and $\mu_1 = \lambda_1 = 0$, which is a contradiction. If i = 2 and $\mu_2 = -1$ then $\lambda_2 = 0$ and $\mu_1 = \lambda_1 = 0$, which is again a contradiction. Hence either i = 1 or i = 2 and $\mu_2 = 0$ as claimed.

To see claim (iii) assume that $\mu_i \notin \{-\mu_1 - 1, -\mu_1\}$ for all $i \in [n]$. From $\lambda_i \ge |\lambda_{i-1}|$ we obtain $\lambda_i > i - 1 - \mu_1 \ge i$ for all i with 1 < i < n. In particular $\lambda_{n-1} \ge n$, which is a contradiction.

Similarly in the situation of (iv) we have $\lambda_{\ell} > \ell - 1 - \mu_1$ for all ℓ with $1 < \ell < i$. If 2 < i < n, then we obtain $\lambda_{i-1} > i - 2 - \mu_1 = \lambda_i$ which is a contradiction. If i = n > 2 then $\lambda_{n-1} \ge n$ is the same contradiction as in the proof of (iii). Thus i = 2 by elimination.

In the situation of (v) we have $\lambda_{\ell} > \ell - 1 + \mu_i \ge \ell$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < n$ by the same argument as in the proof of (iii). Hence, if i < n - 1 then $\lambda_{n-1} \ge n$ is a contradiction. If i = n - 1 and $\mu_{n-1} = 1$, then $\lambda_{n-1} = n - 1$. Therefore $\lambda_n \in \{n - 1, n\}$ and $\mu_n \in \{0, 1\}$, which is a contradiction. The only remaining possibility is i = n.

To see (vi) assume that $\mu_{\ell} \notin \{-\mu_n + 1, -\mu_n + 2\}$ for all $\ell \in [n]$. If $n - 1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4 then $2n - 1 - \lambda_n = n - \mu_n$. If $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 then $\lambda_n = n - \mu_n$. In both cases

we have $\lambda_{n-1} \leq n - \mu_n$. Hence $\lambda_{\ell} \notin \{\ell - \mu_n, \ell - \mu_n + 1\}$ implies $\lambda_{\ell} < \ell - \mu_n$ for all ℓ with $1 < \ell < n$. This yields a contradiction for $\ell = 2$.

Next consider claim (vii). By the same argument used in the proof of (vi) $\lambda_{\ell} \notin \{\ell - \mu_n, \ell - \mu_n + 1\}$ implies $\lambda_{\ell} < \ell - \mu_n$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < n$. This yields a contradiction for $\ell = i + 1$, namely $\lambda_{i+1} < i + 1 - \mu_n = |\lambda_i|$. Therefore we must have i = n - 1. \Box

5.4 The diagonal reading word

Let $(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Vert}(D_n)$ be a vertically labelled signed lattice path. Recall that (π, v) corresponds to an element $u \cdot \lambda + (2n-1)\check{Q}$ of the finite torus by Proposition 43, and hence to a region of the Shi arrangement with minimal alcove $\tilde{w}_R A_\circ$ by Theorem 7. Decompose $\tilde{w}_R = w \tilde{w}_D$ such that $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ and $\tilde{w}_D A_\circ$ is the dominant Shi alcove corresponding to π as in the previous section. Our aim in this section is to recover the signed permutation w, and thereby the element \tilde{w}_R of the affine Weyl group, from (π, v) .

To this end let $u, \tau \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ be defined as in Proposition 43 and Lemma 50 respectively. Recall that $w = u\tau\sigma$ by Proposition 11. Consequently one can obtain w by computing σ from π as in the previous section. We show that w can also be read off the vertically labelled signed lattice path (π, v) in similar fashion as in type C_n .

Definition 54. Let $(\pi, v) \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^B$, μ be the type D_n area vector of π and define ν as in Lemma 50 above. Define the type D_n diagonal reading word $d_D(\pi, v)$ as follows: For each $i = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ first write down the labels v(j) of the rows with $\mu_j = -i$ from bottom to top, then write down the negative labels -v(j) of rows with $\mu_j = i + 1$ from top to bottom. Finally we need to adjust some signs: Multiply the label coming from the top row by $(-1)^{1+\mu_{n-1}+\mu_n}$ and the label coming from the bottom row by $\epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{1+\nu_{n-1}+\nu_n}$. Then change the sign of $d_D(\pi, v)(1)$ if the number of positive entries of μ is odd.

Except for some necessary twists, the definition of the diagonal reading word of type D_n follows very similar rules as the counterparts in types A_{n-1} and C_n . Note that $d_D(\pi, v) \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$, that is, the diagonal reading word has an even number of sign changes.

Example 55. Let us return to the vertically labelled signed lattice paths from Figure 12.

The first path has labels v = [-3, 4, -2, 1, 5] and area vector $\mu = (0, -1, 2, 1, 0)$. Reading off the labels according to the entries of the area vector yields the signed permutation [-3, 5, -1, 4, 2]. As $(-1)^{1+\mu_{n-1}+\mu_n} = 1$ and $\epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{1+\nu_{n-1}+\nu_n} = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$ and since μ has two positive entries, which is an even number, all signs remain unchanged. We obtain $d_D(\pi, v) = [-3, 5, -1, 4, 2]$.

In case of the second path we have v = [1, 3, -2, -5, -4, 6] and $\mu = [-1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0]$. Reading off the labels according to the entries of the area vector yields the signed permutation [3, -2, -5, 6, 4, 1]. We have $(-1)^{1+\mu_{n-1}+\mu_n} = 1$, however, $\epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{1+\nu_{n-1}+\nu_n} =$ $1 \cdot (-1)^{1+4+6} = -1$. Thus we need to change the sign of the label coming from the bottom row from 1 to -1. Additionally μ has an odd number of positive entries, namely a single one. Consequently we change 3 to -3. We obtain $d_D(\pi, v) = [-3, -2, -5, 6, 4, -1]$. The third path has labels v = [-5, -4, 1, 2, 3] and area vector $\mu = (-3, 2, 1, 0, 2)$. Reading off the labels according to the entries of the area vector yields the signed permutation [2, -1, -3, 4, -5]. Since $(-1)^{1+\mu_{n-1}+\mu_n} = -1$ and $\epsilon(\pi)(-1)^{1+\nu_{n-1}+\nu_n} = (-1) \cdot 1$ and μ has three positive entries, all three signs have to be changed. We obtain $d_D(\pi, v) = [-2, -1, 3, 4, 5]$.

In light of the next following proposition we compute that for the second path we have

$$d_D(\pi, v) = [1, 3, -2, -5, -4, -6] \cdot [-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, -6] \cdot [-2, 3, 4, 6, -5, 1] = u\tau\sigma,$$

where the respective signed permutations are taken from Example 42 and Example 52.

The following proposition asserts that our definition always yields the desired signed permutation.

Proposition 56. Let $(\pi, v) \in \text{Vert}(D_n)$ be a vertically labelled signed lattice path with area vector μ and chose $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ as in Lemma 15 such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is Graßmannian. Moreover let $u, \tau \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ be defined as in Proposition 43 and Lemma 50 respectively. Then $d_D(\pi, v) = u\tau\sigma$.

Proof. Let $i, j \in [n]$. By Lemma 15 we have $|\sigma(i)| = j$ if and only if

$$i = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| < |\mu_j| \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : j \leq r, \mu_r = \mu_j > 0 \} + \# \{ r \in [j] : \mu_r = \mu_j \leq 0 \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : \mu_r = -\mu_j > 0 \}$$

Comparing this to the definition of $d_D(\pi, v)$ we obtain

$$|d_D(\pi, v)(i)| = |v(j)| = |v\sigma(i)| = |u\tau\sigma(i)|.$$

Comparing Lemma 15 to the description of u in (14), τ in Lemma 50 and the definition of the diagonal reading word, one can check that all signs work out and we may indeed drop the absolute value in the above identity.

5.5 The zeta map

We are now in a position to present the combinatorial definition of the (Haglund–Loehr) zeta map of type D_n .

Definition 57. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ be a signed lattice path with area vector μ . Its image $\zeta_D(\pi)$ under the type D_n zeta map is obtained from

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-2}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-2}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S}_{1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{0}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{0}^{+}(\mu)$$

by deleting the last letter and, if the n-th North step is followed by an East step, adding a sign to this East step such that

$$\epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi)) = (-1)^{\#\{r \in [n]: \mu_r > 0\}}.$$

Moreover, given a vertically labelled signed lattice path $(\pi, v) \in \text{Vert}(D_n)$ we define its image under the Haglund-Loehr-zeta map of type D_n as

$$\zeta_D(\pi, v) = (\zeta_D(\pi), d_D(\pi, v)).$$

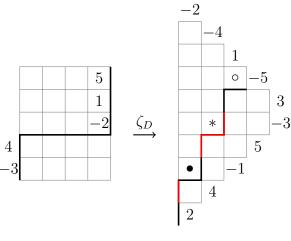


Figure 16

Note that by definition $\zeta_D(\pi)$ is a signed ballot path, that is, $\zeta_D : \mathcal{L}^{\bullet}_{n-1,n} \to \mathcal{B}^{\bullet}_{2n-1}$.

Example 58. For a first example consider Figure 16. Recall that $\mu = (0, -1, 2, 1, 0)$. We obtain

$$\overrightarrow{S}_2^+(\mu) = N, \, \overleftarrow{S}_1^-(\mu) = N, \, \overrightarrow{S}_1^+(\mu) = EN, \, \overleftarrow{S}_0^-(\mu) = NEN, \, \overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu) = NEN,$$

which combines to $\beta = \zeta_D(\pi) = NNENNENNE$. The last North step of $\vec{S}_0^+(\mu)$ is deleted. Note that in this example π begins with two North steps, which translates into a valley of β of the special form (x, n), where the *n*-th North step of β is followed by a North step. The condition |v(1)| = 3 < v(2) = 4 on (π, v) corresponds to the condition w(6-2) = 4 > |w(1)| = 3 on (β, w) . We shall later see that this is always the case.

The signed lattice path in Figure 17 has area vector $\mu = (-1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0)$. We compute

$$\overleftarrow{S_1^-}(\mu) = N, \, \overrightarrow{S_1^+}(\mu) = N, \, \overleftarrow{S_0^-}(\mu) = NNNNE, \, \overrightarrow{S_0^+}(\mu) = NNNEN.$$

The final North step of $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ is deleted. Moreover the sixth North step is followed by an East step. Since μ has an odd number of positive entries we have $\epsilon(\beta) = -1$, and this East step is replaced by E^- . We conclude $\zeta_D(\pi) = NNNNNE^-NNNE$.

The signed lattice path in Figure 18 has area vector $\mu = (-3, 2, 1, 0, 2)$. We compute

$$\overleftarrow{S_3}(\mu) = N, \overleftarrow{S_2}(\mu) = E, \overrightarrow{S_2}(\mu) = NN, \overrightarrow{S_1}(\mu) = ENE, \overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu) = N, \overrightarrow{S_0}(\mu) = ENE, \overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu) = ENE, \overrightarrow{S_0}(\mu) =$$

As above the final step of $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ is deleted, and East step following the *n*-th North step is replaced by an East step with a negative sign because μ has an odd number of positive entries. We obtain $\zeta_D(\pi) = NENNENE^-$.

In the remainder of this section we will prove that both maps defined above are the type D_n instances of the uniform bijections given in (2) and (1). Thereby we establish the following theorem, which is the main result of this section.

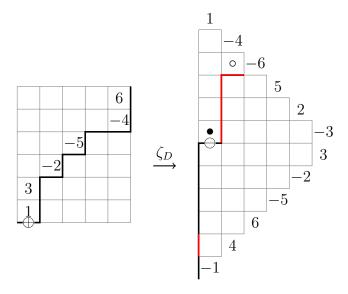


Figure 17

Theorem 59. The Haglund–Loehr-zeta map ζ_D : Vert $(D_n) \rightarrow \text{Diag}(D_n)$ is a bijection from vertically labelled signed lattice paths to diagonally labelled signed ballot paths.

From Theorem 59 we may derive some nice consequences. Since the underlying ballot path of $\zeta_D(\pi, v)$ only depends on π and not on v, we have the following result.

Theorem 60. The zeta map $\zeta_D : \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet} \to \mathcal{B}_{2n-1}^{\bullet}$ is a bijection from signed lattice paths to signed ballot paths.

Moreover, given any signed path ρ define ρ^* as the path obtained from ρ by replacing all signed East steps E^+, E^- by simple East steps E. Define $\zeta_D^*(\pi^*) = (\zeta_D(\pi))^*$ for all $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$. The zeta map of type D_n thereby gives rise to a new bijection between lattice paths in an $n-1 \times n$ rectangle and ballot paths of odd length.

Theorem 61. The map $\zeta_D^* : \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n} \to \mathcal{B}_{2n-1}$ is a well-defined bijection.

Proof. Suppose $\pi, \rho \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet}$ differ only by the sign of the initial East step. Then their respective area vectors differ only by the sign of the first entry. It is easy to see that $\zeta_D(\pi)$ and $\zeta_D(\rho)$ can only differ by the sign of an East step. For example, suppose $a = (k, a_2, \ldots, a_n)$ and $b = (-k, a_2, \ldots, a_n)$, where k > 0, then

$$\overleftarrow{S}_k^-(a)N = \overleftarrow{S}_k^-(b) \text{ and } \overrightarrow{S}_k^+(a) = N \overrightarrow{S}_k^+(b).$$

Hence

$$\overleftarrow{S_k^-}(a)\overrightarrow{S_k^+}(a) = \overleftarrow{S_k^-}(b)\overrightarrow{S_k^+}(b)$$

Consequently ζ_D^* is well-defined and bijectivity follows from Theorem 60.

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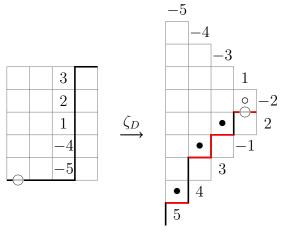


Figure 18

Before we attack the proof of Theorem 59 we need another lemma. In combination with Lemma 15 it gives a criterion for when $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| = 1$.

Lemma 62. Let π be a signed lattice path with area vector μ , and let $i \in [n]$ be such that

$$1 = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_i K - i| \}.$$

Then either i is minimal such that $\mu_i = 0$ or $\mu_j \neq 0$ for all $j \in [n]$, $\mu_n = 1$ and i = n.

Proof. Clearly $\mu_i \neq 0$ implies that $\mu_\ell \neq 0$ for all $\ell \in [n]$. Moreover $\mu_\ell \neq 0$ for all $\ell \in [n]$ and $\mu_n = 1$ implies i = n. Thus assume that $\mu_\ell \neq 0$ for all $\ell \in [n]$ and $\mu_n \neq 1$. From $\lambda_{n-1} \leq \min\{\lambda_n, 2n-1-\lambda_n\}$ we obtain $\mu_{n-1} < 0$. Thus $\mu_\ell < 0$ for all ℓ with $1 < \ell < n$ which yields a contradiction for $\ell = 2$.

We proof Theorem 59 in two steps. First we prove Theorem 63, which establishes a strong correspondence between the rises of (π, v) and the valleys of $\zeta_D(\pi, v)$.

Let $(\pi, v) \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ and let *i* be a rise of π . We say the rise *i* is labelled by (v(i), v(i+1)). If π begins with two North steps and i = 1, then we say *i* is labelled by $(\pm |v(i)|, v(i+1))$ instead. Given $(\beta, w) \in \mathcal{B}_{2n-1}^{\bullet} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ and a valley (i, j) of β , we say

$$(i, j) \text{ is labelled by } \begin{cases} \left(w(n+1-i), w(n+1-j)\right) & \text{ if } j < n, \\ \left(w(n+1-i), \epsilon(\beta)w(1)\right) & \text{ if } j = n, \\ \left(w(n+1-i), \epsilon(\beta)w(-1)\right) & \text{ if } j = n+1, \\ \left(w(n+1-i), w(n-j)\right) & \text{ if } j > n+1. \end{cases}$$

If j = n and the *n*-th North step of β is followed by another North step, then we say (i, j) is labelled by $(w(n+1-i), \pm |w(1)|)$ instead.

Note that if we place the labels w(i), where $i = n, ..., 2, \epsilon(\beta), -\epsilon(\beta), -2, ..., -n$, in the diagonal, then each valley is labelled by the number below it and the number to its right.

Theorem 63. Let $(\pi, v) \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}^{\bullet} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ be a pair of a signed lattice path and a signed permutation, and let $a, b \in v([n])$. Then (π, v) has a rise labelled (a, b) if and only if $(\zeta_D(\pi), d_D(\pi, v))$ has a valley labelled (b, a) or (-a, -b). Moreover (π, v) has a rise labelled $(\pm |a|, b)$ if and only if $(\zeta_D(\pi), d_D(\pi, v))$ has a valley $(\pm |a|, b)$ if and only if $(\zeta_D(\pi), d_D(\pi, v))$ has a valley labelled $(b, \pm |a|)$.

Example 64. Consider once more the labelled paths in Figure 18. The vertically labelled signed lattice path has four rises that are labelled by (-5, -4), (-4, 1), (1, 2) and (2, 3). This corresponds exactly to the valleys of the diagonally labelled signed ballot path, which are labelled by (5, 4), (4, -1), (3, 2) and (-1, -2).

Moreover, the vertically labelled signed lattice path in Figure 16 has a rise labelled by $(\pm 3, 4)$, and its image under the zeta map has a valley labelled by $(4, \pm 3)$.

Proof of Theorem 63. Define $\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ and $u \in \mathfrak{S}_{n}^{D}$ as in Proposition 43. Let $\nu \in \check{Q}$ and $\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_{n}^{D}$ be as in Lemma 50. Moreover, let μ be the type D_{n} area vector of π and let $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{n}^{D}$ be given by Lemma 15 such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is Graßmannian.

(Part 1) We start out by demonstrating the backward implication. Therefore assume that $\zeta_D(\pi)$ has a valley (x, y). Recall that $\zeta_D(\pi)$ is the concatenation of sequences $\overleftarrow{S}_k^-(\mu)$ and $\overrightarrow{S}_k^+(\mu)$, thus there are multiple situations in which a valley can arise: within such a sequence or at the join of two sequences. These cases, while being similar, have to be treated separately.

(1.1) The valley (x, y) appears within a sequence $\overleftarrow{S_k}(\mu)$. Then there exist indices $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_i = -k$, $\mu_j = -k - 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{-k, -k - 1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. By Lemma 53 (i) we have j = i + 1.

If i = 1 then $\lambda_2 = 1 + \mu_2 = -k \leq 0$ thus $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$. It follows that $\pi_1 = \pi_2 = 0$ and i is a rise of π . If $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 and i = n - 1 then $\lambda_n = n - \mu_n = n + k + 1$ and $\lambda_{n-1} = n - 2 - k$. Hence $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n - 1$ and i is a rise of π . In all other cases $\lambda_i = i - 1 - k$ and $\lambda_{i+1} = i - k - 1$. Thus $\pi_i = \lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1} = \pi_{i+1}$ and again i is a rise of π . The number x equals the number of East steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n+1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S}_{k+1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{k+1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu_{i+1},\ldots,\mu_{n}).$$

Hence,

$$x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| > k+1 \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : i+1 \le r, \mu_r = -k-1 \}$$

= # \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \ge |(-k-1)K - (i+1)| \}.

Note that $|\sigma^{-1}(i+1)| \neq 1$ by Lemma 62 because $\mu_{i+1} < 0$. Lemma 15 therefore provides

$$n+1-x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_{i+1} K - (i+1)| \}$$
$$= |\sigma^{-1}(i+1)| = \sigma^{-1}(i+1).$$

We conclude that

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = u\tau(i+1) = v(i+1)$$

because even if i + 1 = n we have $\mu_{n-1} + \mu_n = -2k - 1$, which is odd.

On the other hand, y equals the number of North steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots \overleftarrow{S}_{k+1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{k+1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu_{i},\ldots,\mu_{n}).$$

By Lemma 15 we therefore have

$$n + 1 - y = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_i K - i| \} = |\sigma^{-1}(i)|$$

We first treat the case where $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| \neq 1$. Note that this implies i > 1. Then by Lemma 15 we have $n + 1 - y = \sigma^{-1}(i)$ because $\mu_i \leq 0$. We conclude that

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-y) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-y) = u\tau(i) = v(i),$$

and the valley is labelled by (v(i+1), v(i)).

Next assume that $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| = 1$, that is, y = n. Then k = 0. If i = 1 then we have already seen that π begins with two North steps. Since $S_0^-(\mu)$ ends with a valley and $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ begins with a North step, we are in the special situation that the valley (x, n) is labelled by $(v(2), \pm |v(1)|)$.

Finally if i > 1 then $\mu_{\ell} \neq 0$ for all ℓ with $1 \leq \ell < i$. It follows that there has to be an index $\ell \in [i-1]$ such that $\mu_{\ell} \in \{1, -1\}$ and thus the *n*-th North step of $\zeta_D(\pi)$ is followed by an East step. Consequently $\zeta_D(\pi)$ contains a signed East step whose sign is determined by the number of positive entries of μ . We conclude that

$$d_D(\pi, v)(1) = u\tau\sigma(1) = (-1)^{\#\{r \in [n]: \mu_r > 0\}} u\tau(i) = \epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi))v(i),$$

in which case the valley is labelled by (v(i+1), v(i)).

(1.2) Secondly, assume that the valley (x, y) arises within a sequence $\overrightarrow{S}_k^+(\mu)$ for some k > 0. Then there exist indices $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_i = k + 1$, $\mu_j = k$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{k, k+1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. From Lemma 53 (i) we obtain j = i + 1.

If $n-1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 and i = 1, then $\lambda_1 = -k - 1 < 0$ and $\lambda_2 = 1 + k$. Hence $\pi_1 = \pi_2 = k + 1$, $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ and i is a rise of π . Note that i = n - 1 yields a contradiction: Either $n-1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4, then $\lambda_{n-1} = (n-2) + (k+1)$ and $\lambda_n = n - 1 + k$ thus $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n \ge 2n$, or $n-1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4, then $\lambda_n = n - k$ and $\lambda_{n-1} > \lambda_n$. In all other cases we have $\lambda_i = (i-1) + (k+1) = i + k = \lambda_{i+1}$. Thus $\pi_i = \pi_{i+1}$ and i is a rise of π . Note that if $n-1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4 and i = 1 then $\lambda_1 = k + 1 > 0$ and $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$.

Similar to the case above, x equals the number of East steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overrightarrow{S}_{k+1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{k}^{+}(\mu_{1},\ldots,\mu_{i}).$$

Using Lemma 15 we conclude

$$n + 1 - x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |\mu_i K - i| \} = |\sigma^{-1}(i)|.$$

By Lemma 62 we have $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| \neq 1$ because $\mu_i > 1$, thus Lemma 15 yields $-\sigma^{-1}(i) = n + 1 - x$. We obtain

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = -u\tau(i) = -v(i),$$

where we use that $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ if and only if $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 in the case where i = 1. On the other hand, y equals the number of North steps in the sequence

 $\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overrightarrow{S}_{k+1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{k}^{+}(\mu_{1},\ldots,\mu_{i+1}).$

It follows that

$$n+1-y = \#\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le |\mu_{i+1} K - (i+1)|\} = |\sigma^{-1}(i+1)|.$$

Suppose y = n, then by Lemma 62 we see that $\mu_{\ell} \neq 0$ for all $\ell \in [n]$, k = 1 and i + 1 = n, which is a contradiction as mentioned above. Thus y < n. From $\mu_{i+1} > 0$ and Lemma 15 we obtain $-\sigma^{-1}(i+1) = n + 1 - y$. Therefore

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-y) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-y) = -u\tau(i+1) = -v(i+1),$$

and the valley is labelled by (-v(i), -v(i+1)).

(1.3) The sequence $\overleftarrow{S_k}(\mu)$ ends with an East step and the next non-empty sequence begins with a North step. If $\overleftarrow{S_k}(\mu)$ ends with an East step then there exists an index $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_i = -k - 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{-k - 1, -k\}$ for all ℓ with $1 \leq \ell < i$. By Lemma 53 (ii) we have i = 1. Consequently by Lemma 53 (iii) the sequence $\overrightarrow{S_k}(\mu)$ is non-empty. By assumption this means that there exists an index $j \in [n]$ such that $\mu_j = k = -\mu_1 - 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{k, k + 1\}$ for all ℓ with $1 < \ell < j$. Now Lemma 53 (iv) implies that j = 2.

If $n-1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4 then $\lambda_1 = -k-1$ and $\lambda_2 = k+1$. Hence $\pi_1 = \pi_2 = k+1$ and $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$. On the other hand if $n-1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 then $\pi_1 = \lambda_1 = k+1 = \lambda_2 = \pi_2$ and $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$. In both cases *i* is a rise of π .

(1.3.1) Assume that k > 0, and let (x, y) be the valley under consideration. Then x equals the number of East steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overrightarrow{S}_{k+1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu).$$

We deduce that

$$n+1-x = \#\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |(-k-1)K - 1|\} = |\sigma^{-1}(1)|,$$

and since $\mu_1 < 0$, implying $|\sigma^{-1}(1)| \neq 1$, that $n + 1 - x = \sigma^{-1}(1)$. Moreover

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = u\tau(1) = -v(1)$$

because $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ is and only if $n - 1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4.

On the other hand, y equals the number of North steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overrightarrow{S}_{k+1}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{k}^{+}(\mu_{1},\mu_{2}).$$

As before we obtain

$$n+1-y = \#\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le |kK-2|\} = |\sigma^{-1}(2)|.$$

We know that $|\sigma^{-1}(2)| \neq 1$ because of Lemma 62. Since $\mu_2 = k > 0$ we conclude

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-y) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-y) = -u\tau(2) = -v(2).$$

(1.3.2) Next assume that k = 0. In this case the valley is of the form (x, n + 1), where $n + 1 - x = \sigma^{-1}(1)$ just as in (1.3.1) above. On the other hand by Lemma 62 we see that $|\sigma^{-1}(2)| = 1$. Note that $\overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu)$ ending with an East step implies that the *n*-th North step of $\zeta_D(\pi)$ is followed by an East step. We obtain

$$d_D(\pi, v)(1) = u\tau\sigma(1) = (-1)^{\#\{r \in [n]: \mu_r > 0\}} u\tau(2) = \epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi))v(2),$$

and the valley (x, n+1) is labelled by

$$(d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x), -\epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi))d_D(\pi, v)(1)) = (-v(1), -v(2)).$$

(1.4) For some k > 0 the sequence $\overrightarrow{S}_{k}^{+}(\mu)$ ends with an East step and the next nonempty sequence begins with a North step. Then there exists an index $j \in [n]$ such that $\mu_{j} = k + 1$ and $\mu_{\ell} \notin \{k, k + 1\}$ for all ℓ with $j < \ell \leq n$. By Lemma 53 (v) and (vi) we know that j = n and that $\overleftarrow{S}_{k-1}^{-}(\mu)$ is non-empty. By assumption $\overleftarrow{S}_{k-1}^{-}(\mu)$ begins with a North step, thus there exists an index $i \in [n]$ such that $\mu_{i} = -k+1$ and $\mu_{\ell} \notin \{-k, -k+1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell \leq n$. Using Lemma 53 (vii) we see that i = n - 1.

If $n-1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4 then $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = (n-k-1) + (n+k) = 2n-1$. If $n-1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 then $\lambda_{n-1} = n-k-1 = \lambda_n$. In both cases *i* is a rise of π .

Once more let (x, y) be the valley under consideration. Then x is the number of East steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{k}^{+}(\mu),$$

and therefore

$$n + 1 - x = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le |(k+1)K - n| \} = |\sigma^{-1}(n)|$$

From $\mu_n > 1$ we obtain $n + 1 - x = -\sigma^{-1}(n)$ and

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = -u\tau(n) = v(n)$$

because $\mu_{n-1} + \mu_n = (k+1) + (-k+1) = 2$ is even.

Moreover y equals the number of North steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S}_{k}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{k}^{+}(\mu)\overleftarrow{S}_{k-1}^{-}(\mu_{n-1},\mu_{n}).$$

Thus,

$$n+1-y = \#\left\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le |(-k+1)K - (n-1)|\right\} = \left|\sigma^{-1}(n-1)\right|.$$

First suppose that $|\sigma^{-1}(n-1)| \neq 1$. Then $\mu_{n-1} \leq 0$ implies $n+1-y = \sigma^{-1}(n-1)$, and we obtain

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-y) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-y) = u\tau(n-1) = v(n-1).$$

On the other hand if $|\sigma^{-1}(n-1)| = 1$ then y = n, $\mu_{n-1} = 0$, k = 1 and $\mu_{\ell} \neq 0$ for all $\ell \in [n-2]$. We claim that the *n*-th North step of $\zeta_D(\pi)$, which belongs to $S_0^-(\mu)$ and corresponds to $\mu_{n-1} = 0$, is followed by an East step. To see this assume that $\mu_{\ell} \notin \{0, -1\}$ for all $\ell \in [n-2]$. Then there has to be an index $\ell \in [n-2]$ with $\mu_{\ell} = 1$. Thus $\overline{S}_0^+(\mu)$ begins with an East step and this East step is not the last step of $\overline{S}_0^+(\mu)$. Consequently, this East step is replaced by a signed East step such that $\epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi)) = (-1)^{\#\{r \in [n]: \mu_r > 0\}}$. From

$$d_D(\pi, v)(1) = u\tau\sigma(1) = (-1)^{\#\{r \in [n]: \mu_r > 0\}} u\tau(n-1) = \epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi))v(n-1).$$

we obtain that the valley is labelled by (v(n), v(n-1)).

(1.5) The the valley arises within (or at the end of) the sequence $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$. Note that $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ is non-empty by Lemma 62, and recall that the last letter of $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ does not contribute to $\zeta_D(\pi)$.

(1.5.1) There exist indices $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_i = 1, \mu_j = 0$ and $\mu_{\ell} \notin \{0, 1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$. Note that it does not make a difference if the North step corresponding to $\mu_j = 0$ is deleted. In this case $\zeta_D(\pi)$ ends with an East step, which is still counted as a valley. By Lemma 53 (i) we have j = i + 1.

If i = 1 and $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4, then $\lambda_1 = -1$ and $\lambda_2 = 1$. Hence $\pi_1 = \pi_2 = 1$ and $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$. If i = n - 1 and $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4, then $\lambda_{n-1} = n - 1, \lambda_n = n$ and $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n - 1$. Otherwise $\pi_i = \lambda_i = i = \lambda_{i+1} = \pi_{i+1}$. In all cases *i* is a rise of π . Also note that $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$ if i = 1 and $n - 1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4.

Denote the present valley by (x, y). Then x equals the number of East steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overleftarrow{S}_{0}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{0}^{+}(\mu_{1},\ldots,\mu_{i}),$$

We obtain

$$n+1-x = \#\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \leq |K-i|\} = |\sigma^{-1}(i)|.$$

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Since $\mu_i = 1$ and $\mu_{i+1} = 0$ we have $|\sigma^{-1}(i)| \neq 1$ and $-\sigma^{-1}(i) = n + 1 - x$. Thus

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = -u\tau(i) = -v(i)$$

as even if i = 1 we have $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ if and only if $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4.

On the other hand y is the number of North steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}(\mu)\cdots\overrightarrow{S}_{0}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{0}(\mu_{1},\ldots,\mu_{i+1}).$$

Hence

$$y - n = \# \{ r \in [i+1] : \mu_r = 0 \} = \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le i+1 \} = |\sigma^{-1}(i+1)|.$$

First assume that y > n+1, then by Lemma 15 we have $\sigma^{-1}(i+1) = y - n$ since $\mu_{i+1} = 0$. It follows that

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n - y) = -u\tau\sigma(y - n) = -u\tau(i + 1) = -v(i + 1)$$

because even if i + 1 = n then $\mu_{n-1} + \mu_n = 1$, which is odd. Thus the valley under consideration is labelled by (-v(i), -v(i+1)).

If y = n + 1 then there are exactly *n* North steps in $\zeta_D(\pi)$ that occur before the East step corresponding to $\mu_i = 1$. Hence the *n*-th North step of $\zeta_D(\pi)$ is followed by an East step, and $\zeta_D(\pi)$ contains a signed East step. Thus

$$d_D(\pi, v)(y) = u\tau\sigma(1) = (-1)^{\#\{r \in [n]: \mu_r > 0\}} u\tau(i+1) = \epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi))v(i+1)$$

because even if i + 1 = n then $\mu_{n-1} + \mu_n = 1$, which is odd. Thus the valley (x, n + 1) is labelled by (-v(i), -v(i + 1)) in this case as well.

(1.5.2) There exist indices $i, j \in [n]$ with i < j such that $\mu_i = \mu_j = 1$ and $\mu_\ell \notin \{0, 1\}$ for all ℓ with $i < \ell < j$ or $j < \ell \leq n$. In this case the final two steps of $\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ are East steps. The latter one is deleted and $\zeta_D(\pi)$ ends with an East step.

From Lemma 53 (v) we obtain j = n, hence by Lemma 53 (vii) we have i = n - 1. If $n - 1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4 then $\lambda_n = n$ and $\lambda_{n-1} = n - 1$ hence $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n - 1$. On the other hand, if $n - 1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4 then $\lambda_{n-1} = \lambda_n = n - 1$. In both cases *i* is a rise of π .

Let (x, y) be the valley under consideration. Then x equals the number of East steps in the sequence

$$\overleftarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{2n-1}^{+}(\mu)\cdots\overrightarrow{S}_{0}^{-}(\mu)\overrightarrow{S}_{0}^{+}(\mu_{1},\ldots,\mu_{n-1}).$$

Therefore

$$n+1-x = \#\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le n+2\} = |\sigma^{-1}(n-1)|$$

From Lemma 15 and Lemma 62 we obtain $n + 1 - x = -\sigma^{-1}(n-1)$ because $\mu_{n-1} = 1$. As above we conclude that

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x) = u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = -u\tau(n-1) = -v(n-1).$$

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On the other hand y equals one plus the number of North steps in $\zeta_D(\pi)$, that is,

$$y - n = 1 + \#\{r \in [n] : \mu_r = 0\} = \#\{r \in [n] : |\mu_r K - r| \le n + 1\} = |\sigma^{-1}(n)|.$$

First assume that $\mu_{\ell} = 0$ for some $\ell \in [n]$. Then $|\sigma^{-1}(n)| \neq 1$. Lemma 15 and Lemma 62 therefore imply $y - n = -\sigma^{-1}(n)$, and we obtain

$$d_D(\pi, v)(n-y) = -u\tau\sigma(y-n) = u\tau(n) = -v(i)$$

because $\mu_{n-1} + \mu_n = 2$, which is even. The valley is thus labelled by (-v(n-1), -v(n)).

On the other hand if $\mu_{\ell} \neq 0$ for all $\ell \in [n]$, then $y - n = |\sigma^{-1}(n)| = 1$ by Lemma 62. Note that the *n*-th North step of $\zeta_D(\pi)$ is followed by an East step, because $\zeta_D(\pi)$ only has *n* North steps and ends with an East step. Hence $\zeta_D(\pi)$ contains a signed East step. Since $\mu_n = 1$, Lemma 15 then implies that

$$d_D(\pi, v)(1) = u\tau\sigma(1) = -(-1)^{\#\{r \in [n]: \mu_r = 0\}} u\tau(n) = \epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi))v(n),$$

where we again use that $\mu_{n-1} + \mu_n$ is even. The valley under consideration is labelled by

$$(d_D(\pi, v)(n+1-x), -\epsilon(\zeta_D(\pi))d_D(\pi, v)(1)) = (-v(n-1), -v(n)).$$

(Part 2) In the second part of the proof we demonstrate the forward implication. Therefore let $i \in [n-1]$ be a rise of π . We have to show that we are in one of the five cases of Part 1 of the proof.

(2.1) Assume 1 < i < n - 1. Then $\pi_i = \lambda_i = i - 1 + \mu_i$ and $\pi_{i+1} = \lambda_{i+1} = i + \mu_{i+1}$, hence $\pi_i = \pi_{i+1}$ implies

$$\mu_i = \mu_{i+1} + 1.$$

If $\mu_i = -k \leq 0$ then there is a valley in the sequence $\overleftarrow{S_k}(\mu)$ and we are in case (1.1). If $\mu_i = k + 1 > 0$ then there is a valley in the sequence $\overrightarrow{S_k}(\mu)$ and we are in case (1.2) or (1.5.1).

(2.2) Next assume i = 1. Then $\pi_1 = |\lambda_1| = |\mu_1|$ and $\pi_2 = \lambda_2 = 1 + \mu_2$, hence $\pi_1 = \pi_2$ implies $|\mu_1| = \mu_2 + 1$. If $\mu_1 \ge 0$ we are in the same situation as in (2.1). On the other hand if $\mu_1 < 0$ then

$$-\mu_1 = \mu_2 + 1.$$

Set $-k-1 = \mu_1$ then the sequence $\overleftarrow{S}_k^-(\mu)$ ends with an East step and the sequence $\overrightarrow{S}_k^+(\mu)$ begins with a North step. We are therefore in case (1.3).

(2.3) Finally assume that i = n - 1. Then $\pi_{n-1} = \lambda_{n-1} = n - 2 + \mu_{n-1}$.

(2.3.1) Suppose $n-1 \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4, thus $\lambda_n = n-1+\mu_n$. If $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is even, then $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$ implies $\lambda_n = 2\pi_n - \pi_{n-1} = \pi_{n-1}$ and $\mu_{n-1} = \mu_n + 1$ as in (2.1). Otherwise

 $\pi_1 + \dots + \pi_{n-2}$ is odd and $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$ implies $\lambda_n = 2n - 1 - 2\pi_n + \pi_{n-1} = 2n - 1 - \pi_{n-1}$ and

$$\mu_{n-1} = -\mu_n + 2.$$

If $\mu_{n-1} = -k \leq 0$ then the sequence $\overrightarrow{S}_{k+1}^+(\mu)$ ends with an East step and the sequence $\overleftarrow{S}_k^-(\mu)$ begins with a North step. We are therefore in case (1.4). If $\mu_{n-1} = k + 1 > 1$ then the sequence $\overrightarrow{S}_k^+(\mu)$ ends with an East step while the sequence $\overleftarrow{S}_{k-1}^-(\mu)$ begins with a North step. This again corresponds to case (1.4). If $\mu_{n-1} = 1$ then also $\mu_n = 1$ which puts us into case (1.5.2).

(2.3.2) Suppose $n-1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4, thus $\lambda_n = n - \mu_n$. If $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is even, then $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$ implies $\lambda_n = \pi_{n-1}$ and $\mu_{n-1} = -\mu_n + 2$. If $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is odd, then $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$ implies $\lambda_n = 2n - 1 - \pi_{n-1}$ and $\mu_{n-1} = \mu_n + 1$. Hence we are in the same situation as in (2.3.1).

We now use Theorem 63 to show that the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map of type D_n does indeed correspond to the specialisation of the uniform zeta map to this case. This completes the proof of Theorem 59.

Theorem 65. Let Φ be the root system of type D_n with coroot lattice \hat{Q} and zeta map ζ , and let ψ and φ be defined as in Proposition 43 and Proposition 49. Then the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Vert}(D_n) & \xrightarrow{\zeta_D} & \operatorname{Diag}(D_n) \\ \psi & & \downarrow \varphi \\ \check{Q}/(2n-1)\check{Q} & \xrightarrow{\zeta} & \operatorname{Park}(\Phi) \end{array}$$

Proof. Let $(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Vert}(D_n)$ and $(\beta, w) = \zeta_D(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Diag}(D_n)$. Furthermore, let λ and u be defined as in (13) and (14) such that $\psi(\pi, v) = u \cdot \lambda + (2n - 1)\check{Q}$. Finally, let μ be the area vector of π , chose $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^D$ as in Lemma 15 such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is a Graßmannian affine permutation and fix τ as in Lemma 50. Recall from Proposition 10 and Proposition 11 that it suffices to show $w = u\tau\sigma$ and $A_{\beta} = A$, where

$$A = \{ (\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha : \alpha \in \Delta \cup \{ -\tilde{\alpha} \} \text{ and } s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda = \lambda \}.$$

The first claim is immediate from Proposition 56. In order to show the second claim, we first prove $A \subseteq A_{\beta}$. Assume $(\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_i \in A$ for some 1 < i < n - 1. Then $s_i \cdot \lambda = \lambda$ and $\lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1}$. Thus $\pi_i = \pi_{i+1}$ and i is a rise of π . By Theorem 63 $\zeta_D(\pi, v)$ has a valley (x, y) labelled either (v(i+1), v(i)) or (-v(i), -v(i+1)). That is, either u(i+1) = w(n+1-x) and

$$u(i) = \begin{cases} w(n+1-y) & \text{if } y < n, \\ w(\epsilon(\beta)) & \text{if } y = n, \\ w(-\epsilon(\beta)) & \text{if } y = n+1 \\ w(n-y) & \text{if } y > n+1 \end{cases}$$

or -u(i) = w(n+1-x) and

$$-u(i+1) = \begin{cases} w(n+1-y) & \text{ if } y < n, \\ w(\epsilon(\beta)) & \text{ if } y = n, \\ w(-\epsilon(\beta)) & \text{ if } y = n+1, \\ w(n-y) & \text{ if } y > n+1. \end{cases}$$

Note that we may replace v(i), v(i+1) by u(i), u(i+1) by the choice of *i*. Applying u^{-1} to the above identities and using $w = u\tau\sigma$, we see that $\tau\sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = \alpha_i$. Hence $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_i = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_\beta$.

Next set $S = \{(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_0, (\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_1\}$. If $S \cap A = \{(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_1\}$ then $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > 0$. We have $\epsilon(\pi) = 1$ and 1 is a rise of π . In particular u(1) = v(1). By Theorem 63 (β, w) has a valley (x, y) labelled by (u(2), u(1)) or (-u(1), -u(2)). We obtain $\tau\sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = e_2 - e_1$. Consequently $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_1 = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_\beta$.

If $S \cap A = \{(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_0\}$ then $\lambda_1 = -\lambda_2 > 0$. We have $\epsilon(\pi) = -1$ and 1 is a rise of π . In particular u(1) = -v(1). By Theorem 63 (β, w) has a valley (x, y) labelled by (u(2), -u(1)) or (u(1), -u(2)). We obtain $\tau\sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = e_2 + e_1$ and thus $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_1 = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_{\beta}$.

If $S \subseteq A$ then $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$. Hence π begins with two North steps. By Theorem 63 (β, w) has a valley (x, n) labelled by $(u(2), \pm |u(1)|)$. As above we see that $\tau \sigma \cdot \{\alpha_{x,n}, \alpha_{x,n+1}\} = \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1\}$. Hence $S \subseteq A_\beta$.

If $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_{n-1} \in A$ then $\lambda_{n-1} = \lambda_n$. It follows that $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$, that is, n-1 is a rise of π , and $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is even. Moreover u(n) = v(n). By Theorem 63 (β, w) has a valley (x, y) labelled (u(n), u(n-1)) or (-u(n-1), -u(n)). We obtain $\tau\sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = e_n - e_{n-1}$ and thus $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_{n-1} \in A_{\beta}$.

If $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot (-\tilde{\alpha}) \in A$ then $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n - 1$. It follows that $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$ and $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is odd. Moreover u(n) = -v(n). By Theorem 63 (β, w) has a valley (x, y) labelled (-u(n), u(n-1)) or (-u(n-1), u(n)). We obtain $\tau\sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = -e_{n-1} - e_n$ and thus $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot (-\tilde{\alpha}) \in A_{\beta}$.

To complete the proof we need to demonstrate $A_{\beta} \subseteq A$. Therefore suppose $\alpha_{x,y} \in A_{\beta}$ for some valley (x, y) of (β, w) . Then by Theorem 63 (x, y) is labelled either (v(i+1), v(i)) or (-v(i), -v(i+1)) for some rise i of π , or by $(v(2), \pm |v(1)|)$ if y = n and the valley is not followed by an East step.

If u(i) = v(i) and u(i+1) = v(i+1) then the valley (x, y) is labelled by (u(i+1), u(i))or (-u(i), -u(i+1)), and $\tau \sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = \alpha_i$ for a rise *i* of π . By similar arguments as above we see that $\alpha_{x,y} \in A$.

If i = 1 and u(1) = -v(1) then $\tau \sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = \alpha_0$, and $\lambda_1 = -\lambda_2$. Again we obtain $\alpha_{x,y} \in A$.

If i = n - 1 and u(n) = -v(n) then $\tau \sigma \cdot \alpha_{x,y} = -\tilde{\alpha}$ and $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n - 1$. Again we obtain $\alpha_{x,y} \in A$.

Finally, if the valley is of the special form (x, n), not followed by an East step and labelled by $(v(2), \pm |v(1)|)$ then $\tau \sigma \cdot \{\alpha_{x,n}, \alpha_{x,n+1}\} = \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1\}, \pi$ begins with two North

steps and $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$. We see that $\alpha_{x,n}, \alpha_{x,n+1} \in A$. Thus $A_\beta \subseteq A$ and the proof is complete.

6 The zeta map of type B

In Sections 6.1 and 6.2 we present combinatorial models for the finite torus of type B_n in terms of vertically labelled lattice paths and for the non-nesting parking functions in terms of diagonally labelled ballot paths. These models are almost identical to the respective objects in type C_n and are compatible with the action of the Weyl group \mathfrak{S}_n^B in the sense that acting by an element of \mathfrak{S}_n^B only changes the labels and leaves the underlying path intact. As a nice side result we obtain an explicit \mathfrak{S}_n^B isomorphism between the finite torus of type B_n and the finite torus of type C_n .

In Section 6.3 we compute the dominant Shi region corresponding to a lattice path using its area vector. In Section 6.4 we obtain the Shi region corresponding to a vertically labelled lattice path by means of the diagonal reading word. The combinatorial zeta map, which we present in Section 6.5, is closely related to the zeta map of type D_{n+1} . The proof that our construction coincides with the uniform zeta map relies on the respective results in Section 5.5. This also accounts for our unusual choice of order: C-D-B.

The examples included in this section are supplemented by Table 3 in the appendix.

6.1 The finite torus

The Coxeter number of type B_n is h = 2n. As always we first recall the analysis of Athanasiadis [6, Sec. 5.3]. The system of representatives $\check{Q} \cap (2n+1)\overline{A_o}$ for the orbits of the finite torus $\check{Q}/(2n+1)\check{Q}$ under the action of \mathfrak{S}_n^B is given by

$$\{(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \check{Q} : 0 \leqslant \lambda_1 \leqslant \lambda_2 \leqslant \dots \leqslant \lambda_n \text{ and } \lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n \leqslant 2n+1\}.$$

Moreover, the stabiliser $\operatorname{Stab}(\lambda) \leq \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ of such a λ with respect to the action of the Weyl group on the finite torus is generated by the simple transpositions s_i for each $i \in [n-1]$ such that $\lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1}$, the simple transposition s_0 if $\lambda_1 = 0$ and the reflection $s_{\tilde{\alpha}}$ that exchanges the last two entries and changes their signs if $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n + 1$.

Our first aim is to find a set of lattice paths representing the orbits described above. Thus let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ and, as in the previous section, define π_i to be the number of East steps preceding the *i*-th North step of π . We define an integer vector λ setting

$$\lambda_{i} = \pi_{i} \qquad \text{for } 1 \leq i < n \text{ and} \\ \lambda_{n} = \begin{cases} 2\pi_{n} - \pi_{n-1} & \text{if } \pi_{1} + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is even,} \\ 2n + 1 - 2\pi_{n} + \pi_{n-1} & \text{if } \pi_{1} + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$
(15)

The following result was already used in [6].

Proposition 66. The map $\psi : \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \to \check{Q} \cap (2n+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ given by (15) is a bijection. \Box

		6						
		3					-2	
		2					-3	
		-4					-4	
		-5				-1		
1								

Figure 19: Two vertically labelled lattice paths.

The next definition, which extends our model to the finite torus by introducing vertical labellings, highlights the similarity to type C_n .

Definition 67. Let $Vert(B_n) = Vert(C_n)$.

Given a vertically labelled lattice path $(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Vert}(B_n)$ we define a signed permutation $u \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ by

$$u(i) = v(i) \qquad \text{for } 1 \leq i < n \text{ and} \qquad (16)$$
$$u(n) = (-1)^{\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n} v(n).$$

The following proposition asserts that our chosen model corresponds to the finite torus of type B_n nicely.

Proposition 68. The map ψ : Vert $(B_n) \rightarrow \check{Q}/(2n+1)\check{Q}$ given by $(\pi, v) \mapsto u \cdot \lambda + (2n+1)\check{Q}$, where λ and u are defined as in (15) and (16), is a bijection.

Proof. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path and $v \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ a signed permutation. Using Proposition 66 and Lemma 5 it suffices to show that $(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Vert}(B_n)$ if and only if $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$.

For example consider the two roots α_{n-1} and $\tilde{\alpha}$. If $(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Vert}(B_n)$, then

$$e_n - e_{n-1} \in J(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow \lambda_{n-1} = \lambda_n \Leftrightarrow \pi_{n-1} = \pi_n \text{ and } \pi_1 + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is even}$$

$$\Rightarrow v(n-1) < v(n) \text{ and } u(n) = v(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow u(n-1) < u(n) \Leftrightarrow u \cdot (e_n - e_{n-1}) \in \Phi^+,$$

$$e_{n-1} + e_n \in J(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow \lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n + 1 \Leftrightarrow \pi_{n-1} = \pi_n \text{ and } \pi_1 + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is odd}$$

$$\Rightarrow v(n-1) < v(n) \text{ and } u(n) = -v(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow u(n-1) < -u(n) \Leftrightarrow u \cdot (e_{n-1} + e_n) \in \Phi^+.$$

Conversely, if $u \cdot J(\lambda) \subseteq \Phi^+$ then

$$\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n \text{ and } \pi_1 + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is even} \Leftrightarrow \lambda_{n-1} = \lambda_n \Leftrightarrow e_n - e_{n-1} \in J(\lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow u \cdot (e_n - e_{n-1}) \in \Phi^+ \text{ and } v(n) = u(n) \Leftrightarrow u(n-1) < u(n) \text{ and } v(n) = u(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow v(n-1) < v(n),$$

$$\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n \text{ and } \pi_1 + \dots + \pi_{n-2} \text{ is odd} \Leftrightarrow \lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n + 1 \Leftrightarrow e_{n-1} + e_n \in J(\lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow u \cdot (e_{n-1} + e_n) \in \Phi^+ \text{ and } v(n) = -u(n) \Leftrightarrow u(n-1) < -u(n) \text{ and } v(n) = -u(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow v(n-1) < v(n).$$

Other roots are treated similarly (See also the proof of Proposition 17).

Remark 69. Note that together Proposition 17 and Proposition 68 yield an explicit \mathfrak{S}_n^B -set isomorphism between the finite torus of type B_n and the finite torus of type C_n .

Example 70. Consider the vertically labelled lattice paths of Figure 19. The left path is the example we also use in Section 4. Indeed we have $\pi = (0, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4) = \lambda$ just as in Example 18. Moreover, u = v = [1, -5, -4, 2, 3, 6], and the corresponding element of the finite torus $u \cdot \lambda + 13\check{Q} = (0, 4, 4, -4, -4, 4) + 13\check{Q}$ looks the same as in type C_6 too.

On the other hand for the right path we compute $\pi = (1, 2, 2, 2)$ and $\lambda = (1, 2, 2, 7)$ which is certainly different from the λ we use in type C_n . Moreover u is obtained from v = [-1, -4, -3, -2] by changing the sign of v(4), that is, u = [-1, -4, -3, 2]. The corresponding element of the finite torus of type B_4 is $u \cdot \lambda + 9\check{Q} = (-1, 7, -2, -2) + 9\check{Q}$. However, note that (-1, 7, -2, -2) is not the canonical representative of its class in the finite torus of type C_4 .

6.2 Non-nesting parking functions

As in type C_n ballot paths are the correct lattice paths to consider in this context. Let $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ be a ballot path with valley (i, j) then we define a root $\alpha_{i,j} \in \Phi^+$ by

$$\alpha_{i,j} = \begin{cases} e_{n+1-i} - e_{n+1-j} & \text{if } j < n+1, \\ e_{n+1-i} & \text{if } j = n+1, \\ e_{n+1-i} + e_{j-n-1} & \text{if } j > n+1. \end{cases}$$

Furthermore define

$$A_{\beta} = \left\{ \alpha_{i,j} : (i,j) \text{ is a valley of } \beta \right\}.$$

Then it is well-known that this correspondence identifies ballot paths with antichains in the root poset.

Lemma 71. The map $\varphi : \mathcal{B}_{2n} \to \operatorname{Antichains}(\Phi^+)$ given by $\beta \mapsto A_\beta$ is a bijection between ballot paths of length 2n and the antichains in the root poset Φ^+ of type B_n .

Next we define a combinatorial model for the non-nesting parking functions in terms of diagonally labelled ballot paths. In contrast to the previous section, the type B_n objects are very similar to the analogous objects in type C_n , but not quite the same.

Definition 72. A diagonally labelled ballot path of type B_n is a pair (β, w) of a ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ and a signed permutation $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ such that for each valley (i, j) of β we have

$$w(n+1-i) > w(n+1-j).$$

We denote the set of all diagonally labelled ballot paths of type B_n by $\text{Diag}(B_n)$.

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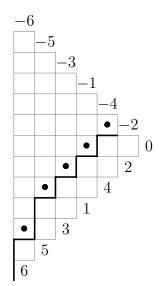


Figure 20: A diagonally labelled ballot path $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(B_6)$.

These conditions are even simpler to write down than those we have encountered in types C_n (or D_n), and can be visualised as follows: Given a ballot path β and a signed permutation $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ we can determine if the pair (β, w) lies in the set $\text{Diag}(B_n)$ by writing the numbers w(i), where $i = n, n - 1 \dots, 1, 0, -1, \dots, -n$, in the main diagonal. Then for each valley the number below has to be greater than the number to its right.

Example 73. Consider the diagonally labelled ballot path in Figure 20. The path β has five valleys and corresponds to the antichain $A_{\beta} = \{e_6 - e_4, e_5 - e_2, e_4 - e_1, e_3, e_2 + e_1\}$. We may check that all required conditions on the signed permutation w = [2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 6] are fulfilled. For example w(6 + 1 - 1) = 6 > w(6 + 1 - 3) = 3 and w(6 + 1 - 4) = 1 > w(6 + 1 - 7) = 0 are the conditions imposed by the valleys (1, 3) and (4, 7).

Proposition 74. The map φ : $\text{Diag}(B_n) \to \text{Park}(B_n)$ given by $(\beta, w) \mapsto [w, A_\beta]$ is a bijection.

Proof. Let $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ be a ballot path and $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ be a signed permutation. By Lemma 71 and Lemma 8 it suffices to show that $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(B_n)$ if and only if $w \cdot A_\beta \subseteq \Phi^+$.

Suppose $w \cdot A_{\beta} \subseteq \Phi^+$. Then an easy case by case check reveals

$$(i, j)$$
 is a valley of $\beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha_{i,j} \in A_{\beta}$
 $\Rightarrow w \cdot \alpha_{i,j} \in \Phi^+ \Leftrightarrow w(n+1-i) > w(n+1-j)$

Conversely if $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(B_n)$ then

$$\alpha_{i,j} \in A_{\beta} \Leftrightarrow (i,j) \text{ is a valley of } \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow w(n+1-i) > w(n+1-j) \Leftrightarrow w \cdot \alpha_{i,j} \in \Phi^+.$$

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6.3 The area vector

Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path. By Proposition 66 the path π corresponds bijectively to an element $\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (2n+1)\overline{A_o}$. The orbit of the finite torus under the action of the Weyl group represented by λ corresponds to a dominant region of the Shi arrangement via the Anderson map of Section 2.5 as follows: Let $\tilde{w}_D A_o$ be the minimal alcove of this region, then we have $\mathcal{A}(\tilde{w}_D) \in W \cdot \lambda + (2n+1)\check{Q}$ or equivalently $\tilde{w}_f \tilde{w}_D^{-1} \cdot 0 = \lambda$. In this section we describe how the affine permutation \tilde{w}_D can be recovered from the lattice path π .

In order to do so, write $\widetilde{w}_D^{-1} = t_\mu \sigma$ where $\mu \in \check{Q}$ and $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$. Since \widetilde{w}_D^{-1} is Graßmannian the signed permutation σ is determined by Lemma 15 once μ is known. On the other hand μ is related to λ implicitly by $\lambda = \widetilde{w}_f \widetilde{w}_D^{-1} \cdot 0$. Hence an explicit description of \widetilde{w}_f is needed. It is provided by the following lemma.

Lemma 75. Let $\widetilde{w}_f = t_{\nu}\tau$ where $\nu \in \mathring{Q}$ and $\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$. Then

$$\nu = \begin{cases} (1, \dots, n-1, n) \\ (1, \dots, n-1, n+1) \end{cases} \quad \tau = \begin{cases} [1, \dots, n-1, n] & \text{if } n \equiv 0, 3 \mod 4, \\ [1, \dots, n-1, -n] & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 2 \mod 4. \end{cases}$$

Proof. By Lemma 3 it suffices to show that $t_{\nu}\tau(\widetilde{\Delta}) = (\Delta - \delta) \cup \{-\tilde{\alpha} + h\delta\}$. Suppose $n \equiv 0, 3$ modulo 4, then

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_{i}) = \alpha_{i} - \langle \nu, \alpha_{i} \rangle \delta = \alpha_{i} - \delta \qquad \text{for all } 0 \leq i \leq n-1,$$

$$t_{\nu}\tau(-\tilde{\alpha} + \delta) = -\tilde{\alpha} + (1 + \langle \nu, \tilde{\alpha} \rangle)\delta = -\tilde{\alpha} + 2n\delta.$$

If $n-1 \equiv 1, 2$ modulo 4, then the only difference is

$$t_{\nu}\tau(\alpha_{n-1}) = -\tilde{\alpha} + \langle \nu, \tilde{\alpha} \rangle \delta = -\tilde{\alpha} + 2n\delta \qquad \text{and} \\ t_{\nu}\tau(-\tilde{\alpha} + \delta) = \alpha_{n-1} + (1 - \langle \nu, \alpha_{n-1} \rangle)\delta = \alpha_{n-1} - \delta. \qquad \Box$$

For example if n = 4, respectively n = 5, then

$$w_f = [-8, -16, -24, -36],$$
 $w_f = [-10, -20, -30, -40, 61].$

Definition 76. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path, λ be defined as in Proposition 66 and ν and τ as in Lemma 75 above. Then we define the *area vector* of type B_n of π as

$$\mu = \tau \cdot (\lambda - \nu) = \begin{cases} (\lambda_1 - 1, \dots, \lambda_{n-1} - n + 1, \lambda_n - n) & \text{if } n \equiv 0, 3 \mod 4, \\ (\lambda_1 - 1, \dots, \lambda_{n-1} - n + 1, n + 1 - \lambda_n) & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 2 \mod 4. \end{cases}$$

Note that similarly to the other types, the entry μ_i of the area vector counts the number of boxes in the *i*-th row that lie between the path π and the alternating path $(EN)^n \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$, where μ_i is negative as long as π is above $(EN)^n$. The only exception to this rule is the top row, where μ_n does not have as nice of an interpretation.

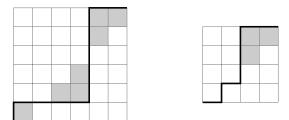


Figure 21: The lattice paths with type B area vectors (-1, 2, 1, 0, -1, 3) and (0, 0, -1, 3).

Example 77. Consider the two lattice paths in Figure 21. In case of the first path we have $\lambda = (0, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4)$ and $n = 6 \equiv 2$ modulo 4. Hence we compute $\mu = (-1, 2, 1, 0, -1, 3)$. The corresponding translation in $\widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_6^B$ is given by $t_{\mu} = [14, -24, -10, 4, 18, -33]$. The unique signed permutation $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_6^B$ such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is Graßmannian is given by $\sigma = [4, -3, 1, 5, -2, -6]$. Thus we obtain

$$\widetilde{w}_D^{-1} = t_\mu \sigma = [4, 10, 14, 18, 24, 33]$$
 and $\widetilde{w}_D = [-10, 21, 11, 1, -9, 33].$

In particular note the difference to Example 25.

In case of the second path we find $n = 4 \equiv 0 \mod 4$, $\lambda = (1, 2, 2, 7)$ and therefore $\mu = (0, 0, -1, 3)$. The translation $t_{\mu} = [1, 2, 12, -23] \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_{4}^{B}$ determines a unique signed permutation $\sigma = [1, 2, 3, -4] \in \mathfrak{S}_{4}^{B}$ such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is Graßmannian. We obtain $\widetilde{w}_{D}^{-1} = [1, 2, 12, 23]$ and $\widetilde{w}_{D} = [1, 2, -6, 23]$.

6.4 The diagonal reading word

Let $(\pi, v) \in \operatorname{Vert}(B_n)$ be a vertically labelled lattice path. By Proposition 68 the pair (π, v) corresponds to an element $u \cdot \lambda + (2n+1)\check{Q}$ of the finite torus, and thus via the Anderson map (Theorem 7) to a region R of the Shi arrangement with minimal alcove $\widetilde{w}_R A_\circ$. Write $\widetilde{w}_R = w\widetilde{w}_D$ where $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ is a signed permutation and $\widetilde{w}_D A_\circ$ is the minimal alcove of a dominant Shi region. Our aim for this section is to recover the signed permutation w, and thereby \widetilde{w}_R , from the labelled path (π, v) .

The affine permutation $\tilde{w}_D = t_\mu \sigma$ can be obtained from λ as discussed in the previous section. Thus in theory we are already able to compute $w = u\tau\sigma$ using Proposition 11. As in types C_n and D_n above, we demonstrate a convenient way to read w off the vertical labelling.

Definition 78. Let $(\pi, v) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ and μ be the type B_n area vector of π . Define the type B_n diagonal reading word $d_B(\pi, v)$ as follows: For each $i = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ first write down the labels v(j) of the rows with $\mu_j = -i$ from bottom to top, then write down the negative labels -v(j) of rows with $\mu_j = i + 1$ from top to bottom. Finally, if $\mu_{n-1} + \mu_n$ is even, change the sign of the label coming from the top row.

Note that the diagonal reading word of type B_n is closely related to that of type D_n . Indeed the above definition is the same as Definition 54 except that some technical details are less complicated in type B_n .

Example 79. Let us recall the vertically labelled lattice paths from Figure 19. The area vector of the first path is $\mu = (-1, 2, 1, 0, -1, 3)$ and its labels are given by v = [1, -5, -4, 2, 3, 6]. Reading off the vertical labels according to the entries of μ yields [2, 4, 1, 3, 5, -6]. Since $\mu_5 + \mu_6 = 2$ is even we need to change the sign of the label coming from the top row, that is, v(6) = 6. We obtain $d_B(\pi, v) = [2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 6]$.

In light of Proposition 80 below the reader may wish to verify that

$$d_B(\pi, v) = u\tau\sigma = [1, -5, -4, 2, 3, 6] \cdot [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, -6] \cdot [4, -3, 1, 5, -2, -6],$$

where $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_6^B$ was already computed in Example 77.

We are also able to compute the affine permutation

$$\widetilde{w}_R = d_B(\pi, v)\widetilde{w}_D = [-12, 21, 9, 2, -10, 33]$$

that takes the fundamental alcove to the minimal alcove of the Shi region R corresponding to the vertically labelled lattice path (π, v) . Indeed, we have $\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} = [1, 47, 48, 54, 55, 58]$ and

$$\mathcal{A}(\widetilde{w}_R) = -\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0 + 13\check{Q} = (0, 4, 4, -4, -4, 4) + 13\check{Q},$$

which agrees with the results in Example 70. Again it is interesting to compare this to Example 28 to see the differences and similarities between type B_n and C_n .

The second path in Figure 19 has area vector $\mu = (0, 0, -1, 3)$ and its labels are given by v = [-1, -4, -3, -2]. Reading off the labels according to the entries of μ yields [-1, -4, -3, 2]. As above $\mu_2 + \mu_3 = 2$ is even, thus we need to change the sign of the label v(4) = -2. We obtain $d_B(\pi, v) = [-1, -4, -3, -2]$. Using once more the results from Example 77, we compute $\widetilde{w}_R = d_B(\pi, v)\widetilde{w}_D = [-1, -4, -12, 29]$, $\widetilde{w}_R\widetilde{w}_f^{-1} = [8, 14, 15, 65]$ and

$$\mathcal{A}(\widetilde{w}_R) = -\widetilde{w}_R \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0 + 9\check{Q} = (-1, 7, -2, -2) + 9\check{Q}.$$

The following proposition asserts that the diagonal reading word is the correct signed permutation.

Proposition 80. Let $(\pi, v) \in Vert(B_n)$ be a vertically labelled lattice path with area vector μ , define u and λ as in Proposition 68, τ as in Lemma 75 and σ as in Lemma 15 such that $t_{\mu}\sigma$ is Graßmannian. Then $d_B(\pi, v) = u\tau\sigma$.

Proof. Let $i \in [n]$ and chose $j \in [n]$ such that $|d_B(\pi, v)(i)| = |v(j)|$. Then

$$i = \# \{ r \in [n] : |\mu_r| < |\mu_j| \} + \# \{ r \in [n] : j \leq r, \mu_r = \mu_j > 0 \} + \# \{ r \in [j], \mu_r = \mu_j \leq 0 \} + \# \{ r \in [n], \mu_r = -\mu_j > 0 \} = \# \{ r \in [r] : |\mu_r K + r| \leq |\mu_j K - j| \} = |\sigma^{-1}(j)|$$

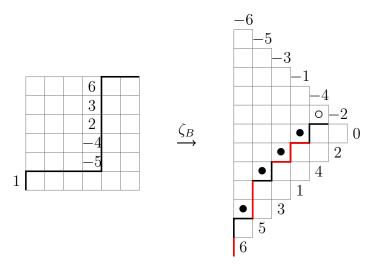


Figure 22: A vertically labelled lattice path and its image under the Haglund–Loehr-zeta map.

Thus $|d_B(\pi, v)(i)| = |v\sigma(i)| = |u\tau\sigma(i)|$. If j < n then $d_B(\pi, v) = v(j) = u\tau(j)$ if and only if $\mu_j \leq 0$, which is the case if and only if $\sigma(i) = j$. If j < n and $\mu_j > 0$ then $d_B(\pi, v) = -u\tau(j)$ and $\sigma(i) = -j$. If j = n and $\mu_n \leq 0$ then

$$d_B(\pi, v) = (-1)^{1+\mu_{n-1}+\mu_n} v(n)$$

= $(-1)^{1+\mu_{n-1}+\mu_n} (-1)^{\lambda_{n-1}+\lambda_n} u(n)$
= $(-1)^{1+\nu_{n-1}+\nu_n} u(n)$
= $u\tau(n) = u\tau(\sigma(j))$

and analogously one treats the case where j = n and $\mu_n > 0$.

6.5 The zeta map

We can now define the (Haglund–Loehr) zeta map of type B_n , which is closely related to type D_{n+1} .

Definition 81. Given a lattice path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ with type B_n area vector μ we define its image under the type B_n zeta map as

$$\zeta_B(\pi) = \overleftarrow{S_{2n}}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_{2n}}(\mu) \overleftarrow{S_{2n-1}}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_{2n-1}}(\mu) \cdots \overleftarrow{S_1}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_1}(\mu) \overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu) \left(N \overrightarrow{S_0}(\mu) \right)^{\circ},$$

where $(N\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu))^\circ$ is obtained from $N\overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu)$ by deleting the last letter.

Moreover, given a vertically labelled lattice paths $(\pi, v) \in Vert(B_n)$ we define its image under the Haglund-Loehr-zeta map of type B_n as

$$\zeta_B(\pi, v) = (\zeta_B(\pi), d_B(\pi, v)).$$

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Example 82. Consider the vertically labelled lattice path $(\pi, v) \in \text{Vert}(B_6)$ drawn in Figure 22, which has area vector $\mu = (-1, 2, 1, 0, -1, 3)$. We compute

$$\overrightarrow{S}_{3}^{+}(\mu) = N, \overleftarrow{S}_{2}^{-}(\mu) = \emptyset, \overrightarrow{S}_{2}^{+}(\mu) = NE, \overleftarrow{S}_{1}^{-}(\mu) = NN,$$

$$\overrightarrow{S}_{1}^{+}(\mu) = EN, \overleftarrow{S}_{0}^{-}(\mu) = ENE, \overrightarrow{S}_{0}^{+}(\mu) = EN,$$

Note that the last segment is replaced by $(N \overrightarrow{S}_0^+(\mu))^\circ = NE$. In light of Theorem 84 below we remark that the initial North step of π labelled by v(1) = 1 corresponds to a valley labelled (1,0). Moreover the rises of (π, v) , which are labelled (-5, -4), (-4, 2), (2, 3) and (3,6), correspond exactly to the remaining valleys of (β, w) .

Note that $\zeta_B(\pi) \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ is by definition a ballot path.

Theorem 83. The zeta map $\zeta_B : \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \to \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ is a bijection.

Proof. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path with type B_n area vector μ . Consider the path $N\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n+1}$. Recalling the bijection $\zeta_D^* : \mathcal{L}_{n,n+1} \to \mathcal{B}_{2n+1}$ from Theorem 61 we have

$$\zeta_D^*(N\pi) = \overleftarrow{S_{2n}}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_{2n}}(\mu) \overleftarrow{S_{2n-1}}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_{2n-1}}(\mu) \cdots \overleftarrow{S_1}(\mu) \overrightarrow{S_1}(\mu) \overleftarrow{S_0}(\mu) N \left(N \overrightarrow{S_0}(\mu) \right)^{\circ}.$$

It follows from the proof of Theorem 61 that ζ_D^* restricts to a bijection from the set of lattice paths in $\mathcal{L}_{n,n+1}$ that begin with a North step to the set of ballot paths in \mathcal{B}_{2n+1} whose (n+1)-st North step is not followed by an East step. Since $\zeta_D^*(N\pi)$ is easily obtained from $\zeta_B(\pi)$ by inserting a North step, we conclude that ζ_B is also a bijection. \Box

The next theorem further exploits the relation between ζ_B and ζ_D to connect the rises of (π, v) to the valleys of $\zeta_B(\pi, v)$.

Let $(\pi, v) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ and *i* be a rise of π . Recall that we say the rise *i* is labelled by (v(i), v(i+1)). On the other hand let (β, w) be a pair of a ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{2n}$ and a signed permutation $w \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$, and let (i, j) be a valley of β . Then we say (β, w) has a valley (i, j) that is labelled by (w(n + 1 - i), w(n + 1 - j)).

Theorem 84. Let $(\pi, v) \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n} \times \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ be a pair of a lattice path and a signed permutation, and $a, b \in v([n])$. Then (π, v) has a rise labelled (a, b) if and only if $(\zeta_B(\pi), d_B(\pi, v))$ has a valley labelled (b, a) or (-a, -b). Furthermore π begins with a North step if and only if $(\zeta_B(\pi), d_B(\pi, v))$ has a valley labelled (v(1), 0).

Proof. Let $(\pi, v) \in \text{Vert}(B_n)$ and consider the vertically labelled path $(N\pi, \bar{v})$ where we label the initial North step by 0 and π retains the labelling v. This is basically an element of $\text{Vert}(D_{n+1})$ except that the absolute values of all labels have been decreased by one.

We will prove the claim using Theorem 63. First notice that $\zeta_B(\pi, v)$ is obtained from $\zeta_D(N\pi, \bar{v})$ simply by deleting the (n + 1)-st North step and its label, which is always 0. Furthermore let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$, then (π, v) has a rise *i* labelled (a, b) if and only if $(N\pi, \bar{v})$ has a rise i+1 labelled (a, b). This is the case if and only if $\zeta_D(N\pi, \bar{v})$ has a valley labelled (b, a) or (-a, -b) and equivalently $\zeta_B(\pi, v)$ has a valley labelled (a, b) or (-a, -b). On the other hand π begins with a North step if and only if $(N\pi, \bar{v})$ has rise i = 1 labelled by $(\pm 0, v(1))$. This is equivalent to $\zeta_D(N\pi, \bar{v})$ having a valley labelled $(v(1), \pm 0)$, which is the case if and only if $\zeta_B(\pi, v)$ has a valley labelled (v(1), 0). From Theorem 83 and Theorem 84 we obtain the following.

Theorem 85. The Haglund–Loehr-zeta map $\zeta_B : \operatorname{Vert}(B_n) \to \operatorname{Diag}(B_n)$ is a bijection.

We conclude this section by proving that the combinatorial zeta ζ_B map is indeed the type B_n instance of the uniform zeta map.

Theorem 86. Let Φ be the root system of type B_n with coroot lattice \check{Q} and zeta map ζ . Moreover define ψ and φ as in Proposition 68 respectively Proposition 74. Then the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Vert}(B_n) & \xrightarrow{\zeta_B} & \operatorname{Diag}(B_n) \\ \psi & & \downarrow \varphi \\ \check{Q}/(2n+1)\check{Q} & \xrightarrow{\zeta} & \operatorname{Park}(\Phi) \end{array}$$

Proof. Let $(\pi, v) \in \text{Vert}(B_n)$ and set $(\beta, w) = \zeta_B(\pi, v) \in \text{Diag}(B_n)$. Define λ and u as in (15) respectively (16) such that $\psi(\pi, v) = u \cdot \lambda + (2n+1)\check{Q}$. Let τ be as in Lemma 75 and μ be the type B_n area vector of π . Chose $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$ such that $t_{\mu}\sigma \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{S}}_n^B$ is a Graßmannian affine permutation.

Recall that by Proposition 10 and Proposition 11 it suffices to show that $w = u\tau\sigma$ and $A_{\beta} = A$, where

$$A = \{ (\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha : \alpha \in \Delta \cup \{ -\tilde{\alpha} \} \text{ and } s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda = \lambda \}.$$

The first claim is taken care of by Proposition 80. In order to demonstrate the second claim we first show $A \subseteq A_{\beta}$. Therefore let $i \in [n-2]$ and suppose that $(\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_i \in A$. Then $\lambda_i = \lambda_{i+1}$, hence $\pi_i = \pi_{i+1}$ and i is a rise of π . By Theorem 84 (β, w) has a valley (x, y) labelled either (v(i+1), v(i)) or (-v(i), -v(i+1)). Note that in particular $y \neq n+1$. Moreover u(i) = v(i) and u(i+1) = v(i+1) for this choice of i. We obtain

$$(w(n+1-x), w(n+1-y)) \in \left\{ (u(i+1), u(i)), (-u(i), -u(i+1)) \right\}.$$

Applying u^{-1} and using the fact that $w = u\tau\sigma$, yields

$$(\tau\sigma(n+1-x),\tau\sigma(n+1-y) \in \{(i+1,i),(-i,-i-1)\}.$$

Recalling that

$$\alpha_{x,y} = \begin{cases} e_{n+1-x} + e_{n+1-y} & \text{if } y < n+1, \\ e_{n+1-x} - e_{y-n-1} & \text{if } y > n+1, \end{cases}$$

we compute $(\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_i = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_\beta$ in all cases.

Next suppose $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_0 \in A$. Then $\lambda_1 = 0$ and thus $\pi_1 = 0$. By Theorem 84 (β, w) has a valley (x, n+1) labelled (v(1), 0) = (u(1), 0). From $u\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = w(n+1-x) = u(1)$ we obtain $\tau\sigma(n+1-x) = 1$, and compute $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_0 = e_{n+1-x} = \alpha_{x,n+1} \in A_{\beta}$.

Similarly suppose $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_{n-1} \in A$. Then $\lambda_{n-1} = \lambda_n$. Consequently $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$, that is, n-1 is a rise of π , and $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is even. In particular u(n) = v(n). By Theorem 84 (β, w) has a valley (x, y) labelled (u(n), u(n-1)) or (-u(n-1), -u(n)). As in the cases above we conclude that $(\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_{n-1} = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_{\beta}$.

Finally suppose $(\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot (-\tilde{\alpha}) \in A$. Then $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n + 1$. Here again $\pi_{n-1} = \pi_n$, but contrary to the previous case $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is now odd. Therefore u(n) = -v(n). By Theorem 84 (β, w) has a valley labelled (u(n-1), -u(n)) or (u(n), -u(n-1)). As before we compute $(\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot (-\tilde{\alpha}) = \alpha_{x,y} \in A_{\beta}$.

It remains to prove the reverse inclusion $A_{\beta} \subseteq A$. Therefore assume $\alpha_{x,y} \in A_{\beta}$ for some valley (x, y) of (β, w) .

If y < n+1 then $\alpha_{x,y} = e_{n+1-x} - e_{n+1-y}$. Furthermore by Theorem 84 the valley (x, y) is labelled

$$(w(n+1-x), w(n+1-y)) \in \left\{ (v(i+1), v(i)), (-v(i), -v(i+1)) \right\}$$

for some rise i of π . If i < n - 1 or if $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is even, then $\lambda_i = \pi_i = \pi_{i+1} = \lambda_{i+1}$ and v(i) = u(i) and v(i+1) = u(i+1). Thus $s_{\alpha_i} \cdot \lambda = \lambda$ and we obtain

$$\alpha_{x,y} = (\tau\sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_i \in A.$$

If i = n - 1 and $\pi_1 + \cdots + \pi_{n-2}$ is odd, then $\lambda_{n-1} + \lambda_n = 2n + 1$ and u(n) = -v(n). We obtain $s_{\tilde{\alpha}} \cdot \lambda = \lambda$ and $\alpha_{x,y} = (\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot (-\tilde{\alpha}) \in A$.

If y = n + 1 then $\alpha_{x,y} = e_{n+1-x}$ and the valley (x, y) is labelled (w(n + 1 - x), 0) = (v(1), 0) by Theorem 84. Moreover π begins with a North step, that is, $\lambda_1 = \pi_1 = 0$, and $s_{\alpha_0} \cdot \lambda = \lambda$. We conclude $\alpha_{x,y} = (\tau \sigma)^{-1} \cdot \alpha_0 \in A$.

Finally the case y > n + 1 can be treated in a similar fashion as the case y < n + 1 above, which completes the proof.

7 The statistics area and dinv

As mentioned in the very beginning of this paper the main motivation for considering diagonally and vertically labelled Dyck paths is the fact that together with certain combinatorial statistics they yield a combinatorial model for the q, t-Catalan numbers, which are defined as the Hilbert series of certain bigraded representations of the symmetric group. Similar representations and the corresponding q, t-Catalan numbers $C_W(q, t)$ can be defined much more generally for any finite complex reflection group W [18], however, a combinatorial interpretation is missing in other types. When W is the Weyl group of an irreducible crystallographic root system then Stump [18, Conj. 3.14] conjectured that the dominant regions of the Shi arrangement together with the coheight statistic provide a combinatorial model for the q-Catalan numbers $C_W(q, 1)$. Similar ideas are due to Armstrong [2]. In this section we use the zeta map to propose a different combinatorial model for the q-Catalan numbers $C_W(q, 1)$ that relies on the finite torus and a statistic called dinv. Ideally this new approach could help finding the missing statistic for the t-parameter and thus a combinatorial interpretation for the full q, t-Catalan numbers in some other types. See also Problem 99.

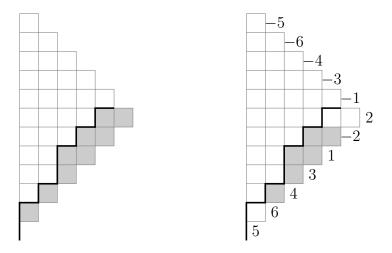


Figure 23: A ballot path $\beta \in \mathcal{B}_{12}$ with area $(\beta) = 9$ (left), and a diagonally labelled ballot path $(\beta, w) \in \text{Diag}(C_6)$ with area' $(\beta, w) = 6$ (right). The contributing boxes below the paths are shaded grey.

Definition 87. Let Φ be an irreducible crystallographic root system. Given an antichain $A \subseteq \Phi^+$ in the root poset define an order ideal $I_A \subseteq \Phi^+$ via

$$I_A = \{ \alpha \in \Phi^+ : \text{there exists no } \beta \in A \text{ with } \beta \leq \alpha \}.$$

The statistic area on the set of antichains in the root poset Φ^+ is defined by

$$\operatorname{area}(A) = |I_A|$$

The statistic area is easily seen to be equivalent to the coheight statistic of Stump under the correspondence between dominant Shi regions and antichains discussed in Section 2.3.

We extend the area statistic to the set of non-nesting parking functions.

Definition 88. Define area' : $Park(\Phi) \to \mathbb{N}$ via

$$\operatorname{area}'([w, A]) = \# \{ \alpha \in I_A : u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+ \},\$$

where $(u, A) \in [w, A]$ is assumed to be the canonical representative as in Lemma 8 and I_A is defined as in Definition 87 above.

In type A_{n-1} these statistics corresponds to the well-known area statistic on Dyck paths and its generalisation area' on diagonally labelled Dyck paths due to Haglund and Loehr [10]. In type C_n they have natural interpretations as the area of (diagonally labelled) ballot paths area_C : $\mathcal{B}_{2n} \to \mathbb{N}$ and $\operatorname{area}_C' : \operatorname{Diag}(C_n) \to \mathbb{N}$ given by the authors in [20]. See Figure 23 for an example.

Next we define the somewhat less obvious statistics dinv_C and dinv_C' on the *W*-orbits, respectively the elements, of the finite torus.

Definition 89. Define the statistic dinv : $\check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}} \to \mathbb{N}$ by

$$\operatorname{dinv}(\lambda) = \# \{ \alpha \in \Phi^+ : \langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \in \{ \operatorname{ht}(\alpha), \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + 1 \} \}.$$

Definition 90. Define the statistic dinv': $\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q} \to \mathbb{N}$ by

$$\operatorname{dinv}'(X) = \# \{ \alpha \in \Phi^+ : \langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) \text{ and } u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+ \} \\ + \# \{ \alpha \in \Phi^+ : \langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + 1 \text{ and } u \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+ \},$$

where $u \cdot \lambda \in X$ is the canonical representative as in Lemma 5.

In type A_{n-1} these statistics specialise to the dinv statistic on Dyck paths suggested by Haiman and the dinv' statistic on vertically labelled Dyck paths that is due to Haglund and Loehr. Both statistics are found in [10]. Our only proof that the aforementioned statistics agree is surprisingly involved. It can be obtained by using the zeta map to transfer the problem to the area statistics, which are easier to handle. Theorem 96 below asserts that the statistic dinv' is transferred to the statistic area' under the uniform zeta map. Haglund and Loehr prove the analogous statement in type A_{n-1} [10, pp. 17–20]. Moreover it was demonstrated by the second named author that the combinatorial zeta map of Haglund and Loehr and the uniform zeta map of type A_{n-1} coincide [22, Sec. 13].

In [20] the authors introduced the combinatorial statistics dinv_C and dinv_C' on (vertically labelled) lattice paths in a square.

Definition 91. Let $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ be a lattice path with type C_n area vector μ . Then we define

$$dinv_{C}(\pi) = \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1}\} + \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1} + 1\} + \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = -\mu_{n-j+1}\} + \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = -\mu_{n-j+1} + 1\} + \#\{i : \mu_{n-i+1} = 0\}$$

A pair $(i, j) \in [n] \times [n]$ or index $i \in [n]$ contributing to $\operatorname{dinv}_C(\pi)$ is called *diagonal inversion* of π .

Definition 92. Let $(\pi, u) \in \operatorname{Vert}(C_n)$ be a vertically labelled lattice path and let μ be the type C_n area vector of π . Then we define

$$dinv'_{C}(\pi, u) = \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1}, u(i) < u(j)\} + \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1} + 1, u(i) > u(j)\} + \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = -\mu_{n-j+1}, u(i) < -u(j)\} + \#\{(i, j) : i < j, \mu_{n-i+1} = -\mu_{n-j+1} + 1, u(i) > -u(j)\} + \#\{i : \mu_{n-i+1} = 0, u(i) < 0\}$$

We call a pair $(i, j) \in [n] \times [n]$ or index $i \in [n]$ contributing to $\operatorname{dinv}_{C}^{\prime}(\pi, u)$ a diagonal inversion of (π, u) .

Example 93. Consider the vertically labelled lattice path (π, u) in Figure 5.

The path π has area vector $\mu = (2, 1, 0, -1, -2, 1)$. The pair (1, 5) is a diagonal inversion of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1}, (1, 4)$ is a diagonal inversion of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1}+1, (1, 3), (2, 6)$ and (3, 5) are diagonal inversions of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = -\mu_{n-j+1}, (1, 4), (3, 6)$ and (4, 5) are diagonal inversions of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = -\mu_{n-j+1}+1$, and 4 is a diagonal inversion of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = 0$. Together that makes dinv $(\pi) = 9$. Note that the pair (1, 4) is counted twice!

We have u(1) = 1 < u(5) = 3 thus (1,5) is a diagonal inversion of (π, u) of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-j+1} + 1$. u(1) = 1 < u(4) = 2 thus (1,4) is no diagonal inversion of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = \mu_{n-i+1} + 1$. However, u(1) > -u(4) thus (1,4) is still a diagonal inversion of type $\mu_{n-i+1} = -\mu_{n-i+1} + 1$. The only other two diagonal inversions of π that do not contribute to $\dim'_C(\pi, u)$ are (2,6) and 4. We obtain $\dim'_C(\pi, u) = 6$.

In this case it is quite easy to show that dinv_C and dinv_C' are the type C_n instances of the uniform dinv statistics. Moreover, note that if $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n,n}$ is a Dyck path then it is actually assigned two numbers $\operatorname{dinv}_A(\pi)$ and $\operatorname{dinv}_C(\pi)$. In this case Definition 91 agrees with the definition of Haiman, that is, $\operatorname{dinv}_A(\pi) = \operatorname{dinv}_C(\pi)$.

In the remainder of this section we relate area and dinv by means of the zeta map. We start with a useful and well-known lemma on dominant elements of the affine Weyl group.

Lemma 94. Let $\alpha \in \Phi^+$ be a positive root and $\widetilde{w} \in \widetilde{W}$ be dominant with $\widetilde{w} = t_{\lambda}\sigma$, where $\lambda \in \check{Q}$ and $\sigma \in W$. If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = 0$ then $\sigma^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$.

Proof. Suppose $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = 0$. The height function $\operatorname{ht} : \Phi \to \mathbb{R}$ extends to a linear functional on V. Thus we may choose $v \in V$ with $\langle v, \beta \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\beta)/h$ for all $\beta \in \Phi$, where h is the Coxeter number of Φ . Note that $v \in A_{\circ}$ by definition. Thus $\langle \widetilde{w} \cdot v, \alpha \rangle > 0$ since \widetilde{w} is dominant. We compute

$$\frac{\operatorname{ht}(\sigma^{-1} \cdot \alpha)}{h} = \langle v, \sigma^{-1}(\alpha) \rangle = \langle \sigma \cdot v, \alpha \rangle = \langle \lambda + \sigma \cdot v, \alpha \rangle = \langle \widetilde{w} \cdot v, \alpha \rangle > 0. \qquad \Box$$

Furthermore, we need the following property of the affine transformation \widetilde{w}_f .

Lemma 95. Let $\alpha \in \Phi^+$ be a positive root and $\nu \in \check{Q}$, $\tau \in W$ such that $\widetilde{w}_f = t_{\nu}\tau$. Then

$$\langle \widetilde{w}_f \cdot 0, \alpha \rangle = \begin{cases} \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) & \text{if } \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+, \\ \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + 1 & \text{if } \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+ \end{cases}$$

Proof. Choose $v \in V$ such that $\langle v, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha)/h$ for all $\alpha \in \Phi^+$. By [21, Thm. 3.6.2] $\widetilde{w}_f \cdot v = (h+1)v$. It follows that

$$\langle \widetilde{w}_f \cdot 0, \alpha \rangle = \langle (h+1)v - \tau \cdot v, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + \frac{1}{h} \big(\operatorname{ht}(\alpha) - \operatorname{ht}(\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha) \big)$$

The claim follows since $\langle \nu, \alpha \rangle$ is an integer.

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We now state the main result of this section.

Theorem 96. Let Φ be an irreducible crystallographic root system with Weyl group W, coroot lattice \check{Q} , Coxeter number h and zeta map ζ , and let $X \in \check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$ be an element of the finite torus. Let $\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}$ and $u \in W$ such that $u \cdot \lambda \in X$ is the canonical representative as in Lemma 5. Then

$$\operatorname{dinv}(\lambda) = \operatorname{area}(\overline{\zeta}(\lambda))$$
 and $\operatorname{dinv}'(X) = \operatorname{area}'(\zeta(X)).$

Proof. Choose $\widetilde{w} \in W^{\text{dom}}_{\text{Shi}}, \ \mu, \nu \in \check{Q}$ and $\sigma, \tau, w \in W$ such that $\widetilde{w}_f = t_{\nu}\tau, \ \widetilde{w} = t_{\mu}\sigma, w \widetilde{w} \in W_{\text{Shi}}$ and

$$u \cdot \lambda = -w \widetilde{w} \widetilde{w}_f^{-1} \cdot 0 = -w(\mu) + w \sigma \tau^{-1}(\nu).$$

By Section 2.7

$$\zeta(u\cdot\lambda+(h+1)\check{Q})=[u\tau\sigma^{-1},\sigma\tau^{-1}\cdot J(\lambda)].$$

We prove the more precise statement that the bijection

$$I(\sigma\tau^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda)) \to \left\{ \pm \tau\sigma^{-1}(\beta) : \beta \in I(\sigma\tau^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda)) \right\} \cap \Phi^+$$

maps the positive roots contributing to $\operatorname{area}(\bar{\zeta}(\lambda))$ to the positive roots contributing to $\operatorname{dinv}(\lambda)$. Furthermore this map restricts to a bijection between the positive roots contributing to area' and dinv' .

On the one hand a computation shows that

$$\begin{split} \langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle &= \langle \nu - \tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \mu, \alpha \rangle \\ &= \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + \frac{1}{h} \big(\operatorname{ht}(\alpha) - \operatorname{ht}(\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha) \big) - \langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle \\ &= \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) - \langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle + \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+, \\ 1 & \text{if } \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+, \end{cases} \end{split}$$

for all $\alpha \in \Phi^+$ due to Lemma 95.

On the other hand for each $\beta \in \Phi^+$ we have $\beta \in \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda)$ if and only if $H_{\beta,1}$ is a floor of $\widetilde{w}A_{\circ}$ by the definition of the zeta map. Thus

$$\beta \in I(\sigma\tau^{-1} \cdot J(\lambda)) \Leftrightarrow H_{\beta,1} \text{ does not separate } \widetilde{w}A_{\circ} \text{ and } A_{\circ}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \widetilde{w}^{-1} \cdot (-\beta + \delta) = -\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta + (1 - \langle \mu, \beta \rangle) \delta \in \widetilde{\Phi}^{+}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \langle \mu, \beta \rangle = 0 \text{ or } \langle \mu, \beta \rangle = 1, -\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^{+}.$$

The proof is completed by distinguishing a few cases.

Let $\beta \in \Phi^+$ and choose $\alpha \in \{\pm \tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta\} \cap \Phi^+$. First assume $\langle \mu, \beta \rangle = 0$ then $\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$ by Lemma 94. Also $0 = \langle \mu, \beta \rangle = \langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle$. If $\tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$ then $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha = \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$

and $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha)$. If $\tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in -\Phi^+$ then $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha = -\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in -\Phi^+$. Hence $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + 1$. Moreover $u \tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$ implies that $u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ if and only if $\tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$.

Secondly suppose that $\langle \mu, \beta \rangle = 1$ and $\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in -\Phi^+$. If $\tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$ then $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+$ and $\langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle = \langle \mu, \beta \rangle = 1$. It follows that $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) - 1 + 1 = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha)$. If $\tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in -\Phi^+$ then $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ and $\langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle = -1$. Thus $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + 1$. Moreover, $u\tau\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$ implies that $u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ if and only if $\tau\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$.

Conversely let $\alpha \in \Phi^+$ and choose $\beta \in \{\pm \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha\} \cap \Phi^+$. First assume $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha)$. If $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ then $0 = \langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle = \langle \mu, \beta \rangle$. By Lemma 94 $\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$ and thus $\beta = \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha$. Consequently $u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ implies $u \tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta = u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$. If $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+$ then $\langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle = 1$ and therefore $\sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ since $\mu \in \overline{C}$. We obtain $\langle \mu, \beta \rangle = 1$ and $\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta = \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+$. Moreover $u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ implies $u \tau \sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$ as above.

Finally assume that $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = \operatorname{ht}(\alpha) + 1$. If $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$ then $\langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle = -1$ and therefore $\sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+$ since $\mu \in \overline{C}$. Hence $\langle \mu, \beta \rangle = 1$ and $-\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta = \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$. Moreover, $u \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+$ implies $u\tau\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta = -u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$. If $\tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+$ then $0 = \langle \mu, \sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rangle = \langle \mu, \beta \rangle$ and thus $\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta \in \Phi^+$. It follows that $\beta = -\sigma \tau^{-1} \cdot \alpha$ and hence $u \cdot \alpha \in -\Phi^+$ implies $u\tau\sigma^{-1} \cdot \beta = -u \cdot \alpha \in \Phi^+$.

8 Open problems

In this final section we discuss some open problems and perspectives for further research.

Problem 97 (The Fuß–Catalan case). In this paper we discuss the combinatorial interpretation of the bijection ζ between the finite torus $\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$ and the set of nonnesting parking functions $\operatorname{Park}(\Phi)$. However, the zeta map can be defined more generally. Rhoades [14] defined a Fuß analogue of the non-nesting parking functions $\operatorname{Park}^{(m)}(\Phi)$ and proved that it is isomorphic to the generalised finite torus $\check{Q}/(mh+1)\check{Q}$ as a W-set. The second named author [22] defined an explicit W-equivariant bijection ζ : $\operatorname{Park}^{(m)}(\Phi) \to \check{Q}/(mh+1)\check{Q}$ generalising the zeta map treated in this work.

In type A_{n-1} the combinatorial objects allowing for a convenient treatment of the Fuß-Catalan level are *m*-Dyck paths, and the combinatorial zeta map was studied by Loehr [13]. One possible next step would be to develop the combinatorial framework for the Fuß-Catalan case of the zeta map for the other infinite families of crystallographic root systems B_n, C_n and D_n .

Problem 98 (The inverse zeta map). Section 4 contains an explicit way to invert the zeta map of type C_n , namely Theorem 32. As the attentive reader may have noticed, such a result is missing from the respective chapters on types B_n and D_n . Indeed our only way of establishing the bijectivity of the zeta maps in these types is to prove that they are special cases of the uniform zeta map which is known to be bijective. It would be interesting to have an explicit combinatorial description of the inverse of the zeta map in types B_n and D_n . One might expect such a description to be connected to the construction of a suitable bounce path, which also appears in types A_{n-1} and C_n .

Problem 99 (The missing statistic). There exist generalisations of the algebraic background motivating the definition of q, t-Catalan numbers that replace the symmetric group by a Weyl group W of an irreducible crystallographic root system Φ . Consequently q, t-Coxeter–Catalan numbers $C_W(q, t)$ can be defined as the bivariate Hilbert series of certain W-modules. See for example [18, Appendix A] for a list of the first few polynomials obtained in this way. In type A_{n-1} combinatorial models for these Hilbert series were found by Haglund using a bounce statistic and Haiman using the dinv statistic. It is an open problem to find a combinatorial interpretation of these polynomials in any other types.

The following open problem was posed by Stump and also appears in [2]. Find a statistic tstat on the antichains in the root poset Φ^+ such that

$$C_W(q,t) = \sum_{A \subseteq \Phi^+} q^{\operatorname{area}(A)} t^{\operatorname{tstat}(A)},$$

where the sum ranges over all antichains in the root poset.

We now give an alternative formulation of this problem in terms of the finite torus. Find a statistic tstat on the W-orbits of the finite torus $\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$ such that

$$C_W(q,t) = \sum_{\lambda \in \check{Q} \cap (h+1)\overline{A_{\circ}}} q^{\operatorname{dinv}(\lambda)} t^{\operatorname{tstat}(\lambda)}.$$

Quite possibly our formulation of the problem is just as difficult as the original one, however, the dinv statistic at least offers a new angle of attack. Note that even a partial solution in the form of a conjectured statistic say in type B_n or C_n would be of interest.

Our closing remark addresses an important point that is somewhat counter-intuitive. One might assume at first glance that knowing the dinv statistic as well as the area statistic should be sufficient to obtain the q, t-Catalan numbers, as is the case in type A_{n-1} . However, let us emphasise that the dinv statistic is only known for W-orbits of the finite torus, while the area statistic is only known for antichains of the root poset. It is a spectacular coincidence that in type A_{n-1} these two objects both correspond naturally to Dyck paths in such a way that the area statistic, which is natural in the world of antichains, serves as the mysterious statistic tstat in the world of W-orbits.

9 Appendix

This appendix provides four detailed low-dimensional examples.

Table 1 illustrates type A_2 and should be read as follows. The first column lists the elements of the affine Weyl group corresponding to the minimal alcoves of the Shi arrangement, which is found in Figure 1. The elements of the affine Weyl group are represented as affine permutations in window notation. We refer the reader to [7, Chap. 8.3] or [22] for an introduction. The five dominant affine permutations are highlighted.

The second column contains the corresponding non-nesting parking functions obtained via the map Θ^{-1} from Theorem 9.

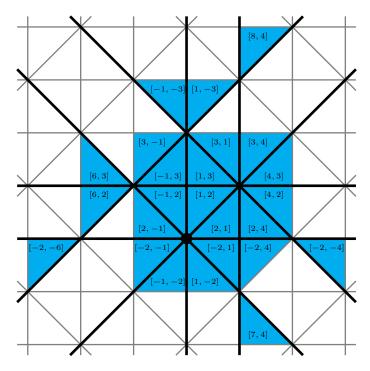


Figure 24: The Shi arrangement of type C_2 .

The third column contains the corresponding diagonally labelled Dyck paths. To obtain the diagonally labelled Dyck path corresponding to the non-nesting parking function [w, A], interpret the elements of A as the valleys of a Dyck path in the natural way, and insert w in the diagonal.

The fourth column contains the corresponding elements of the finite torus that are obtained from the affine permutation by applying the Anderson map \mathcal{A} from Theorem 7. Dominant (decreasing) elements of the finite torus are highlighted. Note that the coroot lattice point (-2, 0, 2) counts as decreasing because $(-2, 0, 2) + 4\check{Q} = (2, 0, -2) + 4\check{Q}$.

The fifth column shows an intermediate step between the finite torus and the set of classical parking functions. Given an element $q + 4\check{Q}$ of the finite torus, define x as the unique representative of $-q + 4\mathbb{Z}^3$ with $0 \leq x_i \leq 3$ for all $i \in [3]$.

The sixth column contains classical parking functions of length three, that is, vectors $f \in \mathbb{N}^3$ such that $f_i < \sigma(i)$ for some permutation $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n$. The parking function f corresponding to an element $x \in (\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z})^3$ is the unique parking function in the coset x+A, where $A \leq (\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z})^3$ denotes the cyclic additive subgroup generated by $(1, 1, 1)+4\mathbb{Z}^3$. Note that classical parking functions of length n are in bijection with the regions of the Shi arrangement of type A_{n-1} . See for example [22, Secc. 11]. Increasing parking functions are highlighted. We have thus found three distinct subsets of parking functions, all of which have Catalan cardinality and provide a natural system of representatives for the orbits under the action of the symmetric group \mathfrak{S}_n via permutation of labels.

Finally the seventh column contains the corresponding vertically labelled Dyck paths. The vertically labelled Dyck path can be obtained from the diagonally labelled Dyck path be means of the inverse zeta map ζ_A^{-1} of Haglund and Loehr that is defined in Section 2.8. Alternatively it can be obtained from the corresponding parking function via a simple bijection.

W_{Shi}	$\operatorname{Park}(\Phi)$	$\operatorname{Diag}(\Phi)$	$\check{Q}/(h+1)\check{Q}$	$(\mathbb{Z}/(h+1)\mathbb{Z})^n$	PF_n	$\operatorname{Vert}(\Phi)$
[4, 2, 0]	$[[1, 2, 3], \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}]$	3 2 1	(0, 0, 0)	(0, 0, 0)	(0, 0, 0)	$\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$
[2, 0, 4]	$[[1,2,3],\{\alpha_2\}]$	3 2 1	(-2, 1, 1)	(2, 3, 3)	(0, 1, 1)	$\begin{array}{c} 3\\ 2\\ 1 \end{array}$
[0, 2, 4]	$[[1,2,3],\{\tilde{\alpha}\}]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 3 \\ \hline 2 \\ 1 \\ \end{array}$	(-2, 0, 2)	(2, 0, 2)	(0, 2, 0)	2 3 1
[1, 2, 3]	$[[1,2,3], \emptyset]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ \end{array}$	(1, 0, -1)	(3, 0, 1)	(0, 1, 2)	3 2 1
[0, 4, 2]	$[[1,2,3],\{\alpha_1\}]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ \end{array}$	(-1, -1, 2)	(1, 1, 2)	(0, 0, 1)	3 2 1
[1, 0, 5]	$[[2, 1, 3], \{\alpha_2\}]$	$\begin{array}{c c} 3\\ 1\\ 2 \end{array}$	(1, -2, 1)	(3, 2, 3)	(1, 0, 1)	$\begin{array}{c c} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{array}$
[0, 1, 5]	$[[2, 1, 3], \{\tilde{\alpha}\}]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 3 \\ \hline 1 \\ 2 \end{array}$	(0, -2, 2)	(0, 2, 2)	(2, 0, 0)	$\begin{array}{c c} 1\\ 3\\ 2 \end{array}$
[2, 1, 3]	$[[2,1,3], \emptyset]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \end{array}$	(0, 1, -1)	(0, 3, 1)	(1, 0, 2)	3 1 2
[-2, 5, 3]	$[[2, 3, 1], \{\alpha_1\}]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 1\\ 3\\ 2 \end{array}$	(2, -1, -1)	(2, 1, 1)	(1, 0, 0)	$\begin{array}{c c}1\\3\\2\end{array}$
[2, 3, 1]	$[[2,3,1], \emptyset]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 1\\ 3\\ 2 \end{array}$	(-1, 1, 0)	(1, 3, 0)	(2, 0, 1)	1 3 2
[3, 2, 1]	$[[3,2,1], \emptyset]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 1\\ 2\\ 3 \\ \end{array}$	(-1, 0, 1)	(1, 0, 3)	(2, 1, 0)	1 2 3
[1, 3, 2]	$[[1,3,2], \emptyset]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 2\\ \hline 3\\ 1 \\ \end{array}$	(1, -1, 0)	(3, 1, 0)	(0, 2, 1)	2 3 1
[-1, 4, 3]	$[[1,3,2],\{\alpha_1\}]$	2 3 1	(-1, 2, -1)	(1, 2, 1)	(0, 1, 0)	2 3 1
[-1, 3, 4]	$[[1,3,2],\{\tilde{\alpha}\}]$	2 3 1	(-2, 2, 0)	(2, 2, 0)	(0, 0, 2)	3 2 1
[3, 1, 2]	$[[3,1,2], \emptyset]$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ \end{array}$	(0, -1, 1)	(0, 1, 3)	(1, 2, 0)	2 1 3

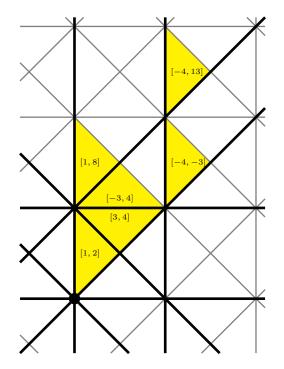


Figure 25: The dominant regions of the Shi arrangement of type B_2 .

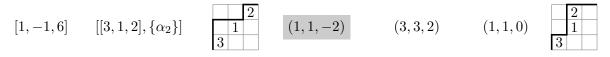


Table 1: The 4-stable elements of type A_2 .

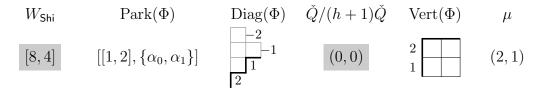
Table 2 illustrates type C_2 and should be read as follows. The first column lists the signed affine permutations in window notation corresponding to the regions of the Shi arrangement, which is show in Figure 24. Dominant regions are highlighted.

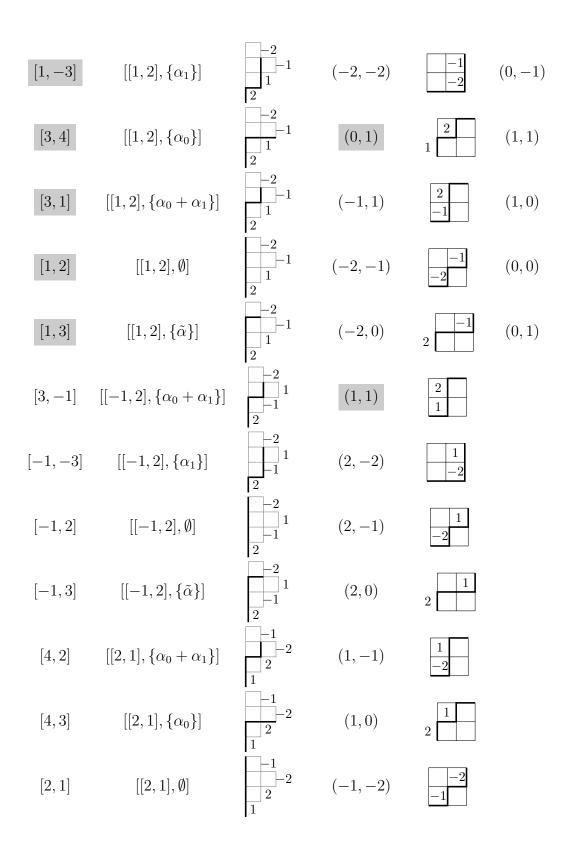
Columns two and three show the corresponding non-nesting parking functions and diagonally labelled paths.

The fourth column contains the element of the finite torus assigned via the Anderson map. Dominant coroot lattice points are highlighted.

The last two columns contain the vertically labelled path and its area vector. Since the area vector does not depend on the labels it is only shown for the dominant regions.

Table 3 treats type B_2 and follows the same rules as Table 2, except that only dominant regions are considered. These regions are also shown in Figure 25.





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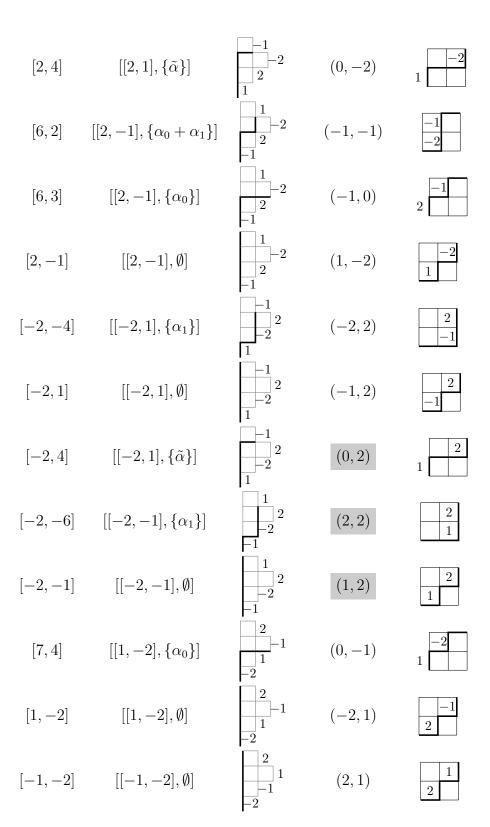


Table 2: The 5-stable elements of type C_2 .

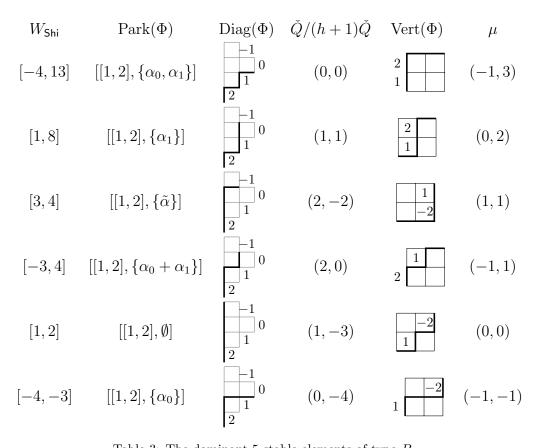


Table 3: The dominant 5-stable elements of type B_2 .

In Table 4 the dominant regions of the Shi arrangement of type D_3 are considered. The first two columns contain affine permutations and their images under the Anderson map. Columns three to five encode the corresponding vertically labelled signed lattice paths by means of a path $\pi \in \mathcal{L}_{n-1,n}$, a sign $\epsilon(\pi)$ and a signed permutation $v \in \mathfrak{S}_n^B$. Moreover, the last column includes the area vector of the signed lattice path. Further objects as well as pictures of the paths are omitted due to limited space.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4,5,1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -3,-2,-1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1,2,2 \end{pmatrix} \quad -1 \quad \begin{bmatrix} -3,-2,1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1,1,0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 11,5,8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -2,-2,-2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2,2,2 \end{pmatrix} \quad -1 \quad \begin{bmatrix} -3,-2,-1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2,1,1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Table 4: The dominant 5-stable elements of type D_3

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