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ABSTRACT

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We provide a Gray code for listing ladder lotteries in which successive ladders differ by the addition/removal of a single bar or the relocation of a bar. Ladder lotteries are an abstract mathematical object which correspond to permutations. They are a network of vertical lines and horizontal bars, which induce transpositions on elements in a specific permutation when the lines cross. Ladder lotteries are of interest to the field of theoretical computer science because of their relationship with other mathematical objects such as primitive sorting networks. To list ladder lotteries, we define a function that calculates the location for any bar in the data structure in O(1) time. We provide an $O(n^2)$ amortized algorithm for creating a specific ladder corresponding to a specific permutation. We provide an O(1) amortized algorithm for listing n! canonical ladders by adding or removing a bar. Finally, we provide a Gray code for listing n! ladders ordered by the number of bars.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

Amidakuji is a custom in Japan which allows for a pseudo-random assignment of children to prizes [28]. Usually done in Japanese schools, a teacher will draw n vertical lines, hereby known as lines, where n is the number of students in class. At the bottom of each line will be a unique prize. At the top of each line will be the name of one of the students. The teacher will then draw 0 or more horizontal lines, hereby known as bars, connecting two adjacent lines. No two endpoints of two bars can be touching. The more bars there are the more complicated (and fun) the Amidakuji is. Each student then traces their line, and whenever they encounter an end point of a bar along their line, they must cross the bar and continue going down the adjacent line. The student continues tracing down the lines and crossing bars until they get to the end of the ladder lottery. We call such a tracing for a given student a path. For example, the path of Ryu in the ladder lottery depicted in Figure 1.1 is highlighted in red.

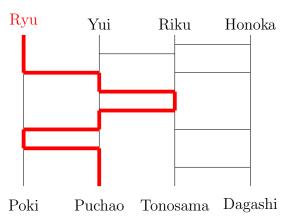


Figure 1.1: A ladder lottery where Ryu gets Puchao, Yui gets Dagashi, Riku gets Tonosama and Honoka gets Poki

The term "Amidakuji" has an interesting history. Amida is the Japanese name for Amithaba, the supreme Buddha of the Western Paradise. Amithaba was a Buddha from India and there was a cult based around him. The cult of Amida, otherwise known as Amidism, believed that by worshiping Amithaba, they would enter into his Western paradise [15]. Amidism began in India in the fourth century, made its way to China and Korea in the fifth century, and finally came to Japan in ninth century. Kuji is the Japanese word for lottery. Hence, the game was termed Amidakuji. In English, Amidakuji translates to ladder lottery.

The game Amidakuji began in Japan during the Muromachi period, which spanned from 1336 to 1573. During the Muromachi period, the game was played by having players draw their names at the top of the lines, and at the bottom of the lines were pieces of paper that had the amount the players were willing to bet. The pieces of paper were folded in the shape of Amithaba's halo [15]. In Figure 1.2 a picture of Buddha Amithaba is provided.



Figure 1.2: Buddha Amida

An interesting property about a ladder lottery is that it is associated with a permutation. A permutation is a unique ordering of objects. For the purposes of this

thesis, the objects of a permutation are 1, 2, ..., n. A ladder lottery corresponds to a unique permutation π when:

- 1. The n elements of π are listed at the top of the ladder lottery in the order that they appear in π ; one element per line of the ladder lottery.
- 2. At the bottom of the ladder lottery are the n elements of π in strictly ascending order. For each element x in π , x goes down its path and ends up in the bottom xth line.
- 3. Each bar in the ladder is given a *label* defined by two unique elements in π , x > y, which interchange at that specific bar. We draw the label as (x, y).

1.1 Optimal Ladder Lotteries

Consider a permutation $\pi = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$. A pair of elements, p_i and p_j , form an inversion if $p_i > p_j$ and i < j. For example, given $\pi = (4, 3, 5, 1, 2)$, its inversions are (4, 3), (4, 2), (4, 1), (3, 2), (3, 1), (5, 1), (5, 2). A transposition is a swap of two elements in π . An adjacent transposition is defined as a swap of two adjacent elements in π . Given $\pi_1 = (4, 3, 5, 1, 2)$ and $\pi_2 = (3, 4, 5, 1, 2)$, they differ by the adjacent transposition of the elements (4, 3). Let k denote the number of inversions for some permutation. An optimal ladder lottery is a special case of ladder lottery, in which the number of bars equals the number of inversions in π . An optimal ladder lottery sorts π in ascending order using exactly k bars by applying k adjacent transpositions on k inversions in π . When a permutation has k inversions, each bar transposes a single inversion in π exactly once [28]. For example, given $\pi = (4, 3, 5, 1, 2)$ an optimal ladder lottery associated with π would have seven bars; one for each inversion in π . For each bar, two elements in π that form an inversion cross the given bar. Once all elements have crossed their respective bars, π is sorted in ascending order. The number of bars in an optimal ladder lottery is the minimum number of bars in a

ladder lottery required to sort π . To see an example of two ladder lotteries associated with $\pi = (4, 3, 5, 1, 2)$, one optimal and one non-optimal, please refer to Figure 1.3.

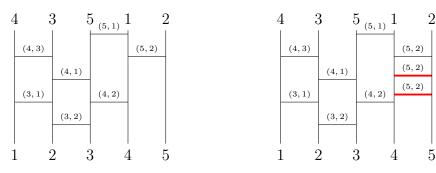


Figure 1.3: Two ladders for the permutation (4, 3, 5, 1, 2). The left ladder is an optimal ladder and the right ladder is not. The bold bars in the right ladder are redundant, thus the right ladder is non optimal.

Let $OptL\{\pi\}$ be defined as the set of optimal ladder lotteries for a specific π . The first discussion of $OptL\{\pi\}$ is in the paper Efficient Enumeration of Ladder Lotteries and its Application [28]. In this paper, the authors provide an algorithm which generates $OptL\{\pi\}$; the details of the algorithm are discussed in Chapter 2. To see $OptL\{(4,3,5,1,2)\}$ please refer to Figure 1.4. Given that there are n! permutations of order n, each of them have their own $OptL\{\pi\}$. In Table A.1 found in the section A.1 of the Appendix the number of ladders in each $OptL\{\pi\}$ of order 5 is presented. In general, $|OptL\{(n,n-1,\ldots,2,1)\}|$ is maximal with respect to a permutation of order n. When n=5, $|OptL\{(5,4,3,2,1)\}|=62$.

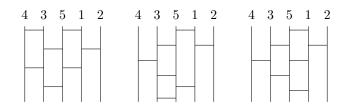


Figure 1.4: All the optimal ladders in $OptL\{(4,3,5,1,2)\}$

1.2 Combinatorial Generation

Our research on ladder lotteries pertains to research in combinatorial generation. Combinatorial generation is a subfield of theoretical computer science which lists all instances of combinatorial objects such as permutations, combinations, sets, subsets, graphs, and ladder lotteries [17]. Knuth describes a number of algorithms for listing such combinatorial objects in The Art of Computer Programming, Volume 4 [13]. Gray codes are a special type of combinatorial generation in which a constant, minimal amount of change is required to get from one object to the next. For example, a single swap operation, a single rotation, or a single bit flip is used to get from one object to the next. The term "Gray code" comes from the Binary Reflected code given by Frank Gray [9]. In Figure 1.5, all 24 permutations of order 4 are listed in Gray code order using the Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter Gray code.

There are many known algorithms for listing permutations of order n. Throughout the course of this thesis, a number of such algorithms were researched [14, 4, 5, 10, 11, 7, 29, 23, 18, 2, 13]. Each of these algorithms will be reviewed in Chapter 2. In Figure 1.6, one ladder per permutation is listed in lexicographic order; ladders are read left to right, top to bottom. We note that the lexicographic ordering of ladders is not a Gray code order. For example, transitioning from ladder 6 to ladder 7 in Figure 1.6 requires four bars to be changed.

1, 2, 3 , 4	$1, \boldsymbol{2}, \boldsymbol{4}, 3$	1, 4, 2, 3	4, 1, 2 , 3
4, 1, 3, 2	1, 4 , 3 , 2	1, 3, 4 , 2	1 , 3 , 2, 4
3, 1, 2 , 4	$3, \boldsymbol{1}, \boldsymbol{4}, 2$	3 , 4 , 1, 2	4, 3, 1 , 2
4, 3, 2, 1	3, 4 , 2 , 1	3, 2, 4, 1	${f 3, 2, 1, 4}$
$2,3,\boldsymbol{1},\boldsymbol{4}$	2, 3 , 4 , 1	2 , 4 , 3, 1	4, 2, 3 , 1
4 , 2 , 1, 3	$2, \boldsymbol{4}, \boldsymbol{1}, 3$	2, 1, 4 , 3	2, 1, 3, 4

Figure 1.5: 24 permutations of order 4 listed in Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter Gray code order. Permutations are read left to right, top to bottom.

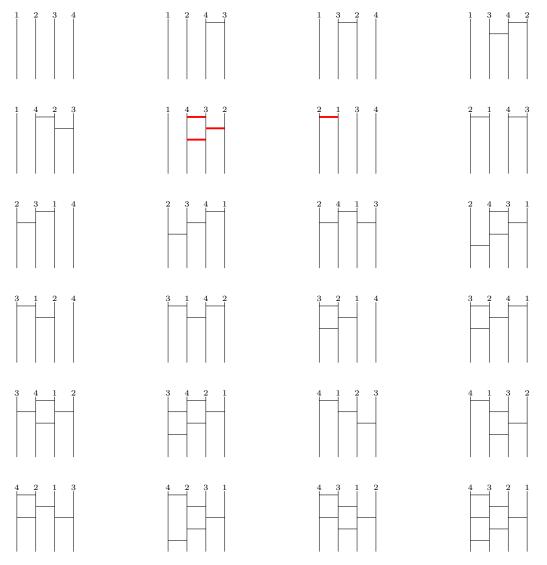


Figure 1.6: All 24 permutations listed in lexicographic order with a corresponding optimal ladder. Ladders are read left to right, top to bottom. Note how lex order is not a Gray code

1.3 Thesis Statement

We define The Canonical Ladder Listing Problem as follows: Given n, provide a listing of n! optimal ladders, one corresponding to each permutation of order n, in Gray code order whereby successive ladders differ by a minimal amount of change. First, we define minimal change as either the addition or removal of a bar. Second,

we define minimal change as moving a bar; moving a bar is the same as removing one bar and adding a new bar. We provide a canonical ladder representation of an optimal ladder from $OptL\{\pi\}$ in order to translate the ladder to a data structure. By doing so, we allow for a number of efficient solutions to solve The Canonical Ladder Listing Problem in the form of novel equations, algorithms, and Gray codes.

1.4 Contributions

In this thesis we provide the following contributions:

- 1. Definition of the canonical ladder.
- 2. Definition of the data structure for the canonical ladder.
- 3. Function to calculate the location of a bar in O(1) time.
- 4. $O(n^2)$ algorithm to create the canonical ladder corresponding to a given permutation.
- 5. O(1) amortized algorithm which lists n! ladders where successive ladders differ by either a single addition of a bar or a single removal of a bar.
- 6. Gray code for listing ladders with n lines and k bars for some arbitrary k value between $[0 \le k \le {n \choose 2}]$.
- 7. Gray code for listing n! ladders ordered by the number of bars. Successive ladders differ by the relocation of a bar or by the addition of a bar when transitioning from k to k+1 bars.

1.5 Summary of Past Known Results

To the best of my knowledge, the first paper written on ladder lotteries is titled Efficient Enumeration of Ladder Lotteries and its Application written by Yamanaka, Nakano, Matsui Uehara and Nakada. The paper was written in 2010 [28]. Since this paper, a number of problems related to ladder lotteries have been solved. In Table 1.1 the reader will find a table of solved problems related to ladder lotteries. In Chapter 2 a more comprehensive analysis of these solved problems will be provided.

Table 1.1: Table of known solutions for problems related to ladder lotteries

Table of Known Results Related to Ladder Lotteries						
Name of Problem	Description	Source				
Enumeration Problem	Generates $OptL\{\pi\}$	[28] 2010				
Ladder Lottery	Determines time complex-	[24] 2018				
Realization Problem	ity for creating a ladder					
	lottery given a multi-set of					
	bars					
The Reconfiguration	Determine the length of	[25] 2017				
Problem	the path between two lad-					
	ders in $OptL\{\pi\}$					
Enumeration Problem	Generates all ladders with	[26] 2014				
given n, k	n lines and k bars; in-					
	cludes non-optimal lad-					
	ders					
The Coding Problem	Provides a binary string	[1] 2012				
	encoding for a ladder lot-					
	tery					
Counting and	Provides a solution for	[27] 2017				
Random Generation	counting ladder lotteries					
Problem	of a given type as well					
	as randomly generating a					
	ladder lottery					

1.6 Overview of Thesis

This thesis is broken down into several sections. In Chapter 2, a literature review of ladder lotteries will be provided along with background information pertinent to this thesis. In Chapter 3, a definition of the canonical ladder is provided along with the algorithm CreateCanonical. In Chapter 4, an algorithm is provided which

lists one optimal ladder corresponding to each permutation of order n in Gray code order; a single bar is added or removed between successive ladders. In Chapter 5, an algorithm for listing all ladders with n lines and k bars in Gray code order is provided. Also in Chapter 5, we provide the algorithm for listing all n! ladders ordered by the number of bars in Gray coder order.

Chapter 2

Background and Literature Review

In this chapter we will provide a more comprehensive analysis of the existing research surrounding ladder lotteries. Let x be a ladder lottery or permutation. Throughout this thesis a number of algorithms are presented. Many of these algorithms use the following auxiliary functions:

- 1. PRINT(X): Prints X.
- 2. SWAP (p_i,p_j) : Swaps p_i and p_j which are two elements in a permutation.
- 3. SORT(X): Sorts X in ascending order.
- 4. SORTED(X): Returns true if X is sorted in ascending order, else returns false.
- 5. Max(x): Returns the maximum element in x.
- 6. MIN(x): Returns the minimum element in x.

The study of ladder lotteries as mathematical objects began in 2010, in the paper Efficient Enumeration of Ladder Lotteries and its Application, written by Matsui, Nakada, Nakano Uehara and Yamanaka [28]. In this paper the authors present the first algorithm for generating $OptL\{\pi\}$ for some arbitrary permutation π . Since this paper emerged, there have been a number of other papers written about ladder lotteries. These papers include The Ladder Lottery Realization Problem [24], Optimal Reconfiguration of Optimal Ladder Lotteries [25], Efficient Enumeration of all Ladder Lotteries with K Bars [26], Coding Ladder Lotteries [1] and Enumeration, Counting, and Random Generation of Ladder Lotteries [27]. This thesis is also heavily influenced

by Efficient Enumeration of Ladder Lotteries and its Application [28]. Throughout Chapter 2, we elaborate on the aforementioned papers pertaining to ladder lotteries.

2.1 Efficient Enumeration of Ladder Lotteries and its Application

In Efficient Enumeration of Ladder Lotteries and its Application [28], written by Yamanaka, Nakano, Matsui, Uehara, and Nakada, the authors provide an algorithm for generating $OptL\{\pi\}$ for any π , in $\mathcal{O}(1)$ time per ladder. The authors refer to this algorithm as FINDALLCHILDREN.

FINDALLCHILDREN was used in this thesis to generate the sample data that aided in finding solutions for the Canonical Ladder Listing Problem. To see the tree structure generated by FINDALLCHILDREN for $OptL\{(4,3,2,1)\}$ please refer to Figure 2.1.

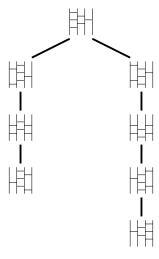


Figure 2.1: The tree structure of $OptL\{(4,3,2,1)\}$ generated by FINDALLCHILDREN

Let x > y > z be any three elements in π . We define pos(x) as the position of x in π . Let pos(x) < pos(z) and let pos(y) < pos(z). Let l be a ladder lottery in $OptL\{\pi\}$. Let (x,z) be a bar in l where x and z interchange. Let (y,z) be a bar in l. We say the clean level of l is 1 plus the maximum value of x for which the following property holds: $\exists (x,z)$ below $(y,z) \in l$. Then, we say the clean level is x+1. If no such x exists, we say the clean level of a ladder is 1. Yamanaka, Nakano, Matsui, Uehara, and Nakada show that the ladder with a clean level of 1 is unique in $OptL\{\pi\}$. This ladder is known as the root ladder. The authors do not provide an algorithm for creating the root ladder. The algorithm Creating the algorithm for creating the root ladder for $OptL\{\pi\}$. Hence, we provide the algorithm for creating the root ladder. To see the root ladder of $OptL\{(4,5,6,3,1,2)\}$ please refer to Figure 2.2, which we note has a clean level of 1.

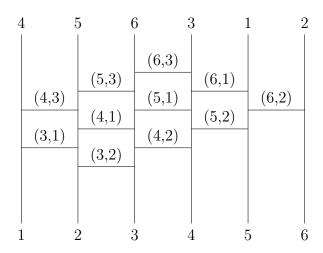


Figure 2.2: The root ladder for $OptL\{(4,5,6,3,1,2)\}$. Notice how the clean level of this ladder is 1, thus making it the root ladder.

2.2 Ladder Lottery Realization

In Ladder Lottery Realization [24], written by Horiyama, Uno, Wasa and Yamanaka, the authors provide a rather interesting puzzle in regards to ladder lotteries. The puzzle is known as the Ladder Lottery Realization Problem. In order to understand the problem, one must know what a multi-set is. A multi-set is a set in which an element may appear more than once. The exponent above the element indicates the number of times it appears in the set. For example, given the following multi-set, $\{3^2, 2^4, 5^1\}$ the element 3 appears twice in the set, the element 2 appears four times in the set and the element 5 appears once in the set. The Ladder Lottery Realization puzzle asks, given an arbitrary starting permutation, π , and a multi-set of bars, is there a ladder lottery for π that uses every bar in the multi-set the number of times it appears in the multi-set. For an example of an affirmative solution to the Ladder Lottery Realization problem, see Figure 2.3.

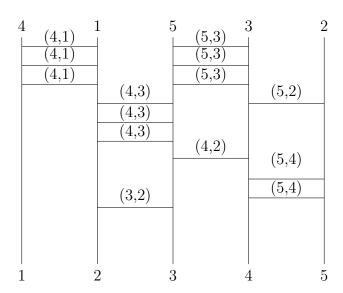


Figure 2.3: An affirmative solution to the Ladder Lottery Realization Problem given a starting permutation (4,1,5,3,2) and the multi set of bars $\{(3,2)^1,(4,1)^3,(4,2)^1,(4,3)^3,(5,2)^1,(5,3)^3,(5,4)^2\}$

The authors prove that the Ladder Lottery Realization problem in NP-Hard by reducing the Ladder Lottery Realization to the One-In-Three 3SAT problem, which has already been proven to be NP-Hard. The authors note that there are two cases in which the ladder lottery realization problem can be solved in polynomial time. These cases include the following. First, if every bar in the multi-set appears exactly once and every bar corresponds to an inversion, then an affirmative solution to the Ladder Lottery Realization instance can be achieved in polynomial time. Second, if there is an inversion in the permutation and its bar appears in the multi-set an even number of times, then a negative solution to the Ladder Lottery Realization instance can be achieved in polynomial time. This is because the elements that cross the bar will be uninverted when then be inverted again. Therefore π will not be sorted by the ladder.

2.3 Optimal Reconfiguration of Optimal Ladder Lotteries

A local swap operation, corresponding to a braid relation in algebra, is a local modification of a ladder lottery demonstrated in Figure 2.4 [28].

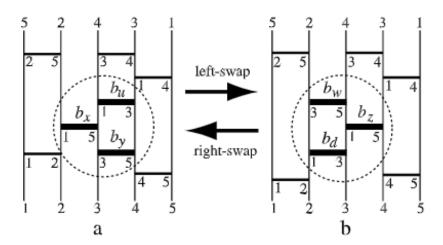


Figure 2.4: A local swap operation

In Optimal Reconfiguration of Optimal Ladder Lotteries [25], written by Horiyama, Wasa and Yamanaka, the authors provide a polynomial solution to the Minimal Re-

configuration Problem which asks, given two ladders, L_i and L_m , what is the minimal number of swap operations to perform that will transition from L_i to L_m ? A reverse triple is a relation between three bars, x, y, z in two arbitrary ladders, L_i, L_m , such that if x, y, x are right swapped in L_i , then they are left swapped in L_m or if they are left swapped in L_i then they are right swapped in L_m . Let an improving triple be defined as performing a right/left swapping three bars, x, y, z, in L_i such that the result of the swap removes a reverse triple between ladders L_i and L_m . The improving triple is a symmetric relation, therefore performing a right/left swapping of the x, y, z in L_m also results in the removal of a reverse triple between L_i and L_m .

The minimal length reconfiguration sequence is the minimal number of improving triples required to transition from L_i to L_m or L_m to L_i . Transitioning from L_i to L_m with the minimal length reconfiguration sequence is achieved by applying an improving triple to each of the reverse triples between L_i and L_m . That is to say, the length of the reconfiguration sequence is equal to the number of improving triples required to remove all reverse triples between L_i and L_m .

The second contribution of this paper is that it provides a closed form formula for the upper bound for the minimal length reconfiguration sequence for any permutation of size n. That is to say, given some arbitrary π of order n, what is the maximum number of swaps required for the minimal length reconfiguration sequence between any two ladders in $OptL\{\pi\}$? The authors prove that there are two unique ladders in $OptL\{(n,n-1,\ldots,1)\}$ that have the upper bound for the minimal length reconfiguration sequence. These ladders are the root ladder and final ladder which is defined as the unique ladder in $OptL\{\pi\}$ such that $\forall z < y < x : (y,z)$ is above $(x,z) \in l$. The length of the reconfiguration sequence between the root ladder and final ladder in $OptL\{(n,n-1,\ldots,1)\}$ is $n\binom{n-1}{2}$.

2.4 Coding Ladder Lotteries

In Coding Ladder Lotteries [1], written by Aiuchi, Yamanaka, Hirayama and Nishitani, the authors provide three methods to encode ladder lotteries as binary strings. Coding ladder lotteries as binary strings allows for a compact, computer readable, representation of them. Although we do not apply the encodings to the results of this thesis, we include them for completeness.

2.4.1 Route Based Encoding

The first method is termed route based encoding method in which each route of an element in the permutation has a binary encoding. Let RC(l) be the route encoding for some arbitrary ladder in $OptL\{\pi\}$. We encode RC(l) by encoding the route of each p_i in π . Let a 1 for the encoding of p_i indicate that p_i is travelling left to right. Let a 0 in the encoding of p_i indicate that p_i is travelling right to left. Then, append zero to n-1 0s to the end of the encoding of p_i so that the length of the encoding is n-1. Then, combine the encodings for each p_i to produce RC(l). For an example of the route encoding for the root ladder of (3, 2, 5, 4, 1) refer to Figure 2.5; underlined 0s indicate appended 0s. The number of bits needed for RC(l) is $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$.

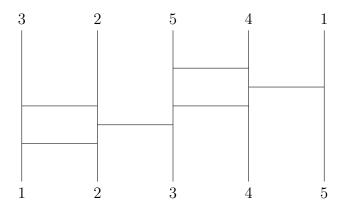


Figure 2.5: The route encoding for the given ladder lottery is 11000100110001000000

2.4.2 Line Based Encoding

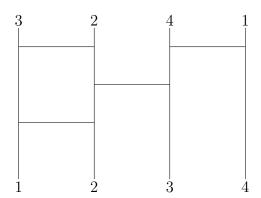


Figure 2.6: The line based encoding for the given ladder lottery is $11\underline{0}010\underline{0}10\underline{0}0$

2.4.3 Improved Line Based Encoding

Although the line-based encoding is better than the route based encoding, it can still be further optimized. The authors provide three improvements to the line-based encoding.

- 1. The *nth* line has only right endpoints attached to it, therefore it actually does not need to be encoded. Right endpoints are denoted as 0 and left endpoints are encoded as 1, therefore the number of right endpoints for line n is equal to the number of 1s in LC(i = n 1).
- 2. Given two bars, x, y, let l_x denote the left endpoint of bar x, let l_y denote the left endpoint of bar y, let r_x denote the right end point of bar x and let r_y denote the right end point of bar y. Let line i be the line of l_x and l_y and let line i + 1 be the line of r_x and r_y . If there is not a 0 between the two 1s for l_x , l_y in LC_i , it is implied that there is at least one 1 between the two 0s for r_x , r_y on LC_{i+1} . Hence, one of the 1s in LC(i+1) can be omitted.
- 3. Improvement three is based off of saving some bits for right end points/0s in LC(i=n-1). Since line n has no left end points, then there must be some right endpoints between any two consecutive bars connecting lines n-1 and line n. Knowing this, then given two bars, x and y with l_x/l_y on line n-1 and r_x/r_y on line n, there must be at least one bar, z, with its r_z between l_x and l_y on line n-1. Thus, for every 1 in LC(i=n-1) except the last 1 a 0 must immediately proceed any 1. Since this 0 is implied, it can be removed from LC(i=n-1).

The line based encoding for the ladder in Figure 2.7 is $11\underline{0}101011\underline{0}0010101\underline{0}000$. The application of all three improvements can be done independently.

By applying improvement one, we get $11\underline{0}101011\underline{0}001010\underline{1}0$. Notice how the last three 0s were removed because they represented LC(i=n). By applying improvement two to we get $11\underline{0}10011\underline{0}001001\underline{0}$. Notice how the second, and eighth 1 were removed because they are implied by the successive 0s. By applying improvement three to the result of improvement two we get $11\underline{0}10011\underline{0}00101\underline{0}$. Notice how the last 0 was removed from improvement two. This is because the 0 is implied in LC(i=n-1) due

to the configuration between of bars connecting lines n-1 and line n. The improved line based encoding for the ladder in Figure 2.7 is 110100110001010.

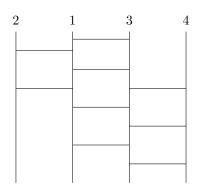


Figure 2.7: A ladder used to illustrate all three improvements. The improved line based encoding is $11\underline{0}10011\underline{0}00101\underline{0}$

We see that the improved line based encoding for the ladder in Figure 2.7 is 15 bits whereas the line based encoding for the same ladder is 21 bits. This is an improvement of roughly 28.5%.

2.5 Enumeration, Counting, and Random Generation of Ladder Lotteries

In the paper, Enumeration, Counting, and Random Generation of Ladder Lotteries [27], written by Nakano and Yamanaka the authors consider the problem of enumeration, counting and random generation of ladder lotteries with n lines and b bars. It is important to note that the authors considered both optimal and non-optimal ladders for this paper. Nonetheless, the paper is still fruitful for its modelling of the problems and insights into ladder lotteries. The authors use the line-based encoding, LC(l) for the representation of ladders that was discussed in the previous section [1].

2.5.1 Enumeration

The authors denote a set of ladder lotteries with n lines and b bars as $S_{n,b}$. The problem is how to enumerate all the ladders in $S_{n,b}$. The authors use a forest structure to model the problem. A forest structure is a set of trees such that each tree in the forest is disjoint union with every other tree in the forest. Consider $S_{n,b}$ to be a tree in a forest. That is to say, a union disjoint subset of all ladders with n lines and b bars. Then $F_{n,b}$, or the forest of all $S_{n,b}$, is the union of all disjoint trees of ladders with n lines and b bars.

2.5.2 Counting

The authors provide a method and algorithm to count all ladders with n lines and b bars. The counting algorithm works by dividing ladders into four types of sub-ladders. For sub-ladder, r, its type is a tuple t(n, h, p, q) where n is the number of lines, h is the number of half bars, p is the number of unmatched end-points on line n-1 and q is the number of unmatched end-points on line n. From this type, the authors are able to count all ladders with n lines and p bars.

2.6 Permutations

Ladder lotteries and permutations are intricately related to each other. The research for The Canonical Ladder Listing Problem is highly influenced by permutation listing algorithms. Knuth describes a number of permutation listing algorithms in *The Art of Computer Programming* [14]. During the research for The Canonical Ladder Listing Problem, twelve of these enumeration algorithms were investigated [14, 4, 5, 10, 11, 7, 29, 23, 18, 2, 13].

We define S_n as the set of all n! permutations of order n. The first algorithm we looked at for listing S_n is the lexicographic algorithm, which orders all n! permutations from smallest to largest. The lexicographic algorithm generates each per-

mutation with an amortized time of $O(n^2 \log(n))$ [5]. The second of which is the colexicographic algorithm which orders all n! permutations from largest to smallest. The colexicographic algorithm generates each permutation with an amortized time of $O(n^2 log(n))$ [4]. The third of which is Zak's algorithm which lists S_n by reversing a suffix in one permutation to get to the next permutation. The time complexity of Zak's algorithm constant amortized time [29]. The fourth of which is Heap's algorithm which is a decrease and conquer algorithm. The time complexity of Heap's algorithm is CAT, constant amortized time of O(1) per permutation |10|. The fifth algorithm is the Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter (SJT) algorithm which generates S_n by performing adjacent swap operations on the permutation resulting in the next permutation. Thus, each permutation in S_n differs from it predecessor by a single swap operation, making SJT a Gray code [11]. To go from any two successive permutations, the time complexity is O(1) [11]. The sixth algorithm is the algorithm using star transpositions that always swaps the first element of the permutation with some other element. It was discovered by Gideon Ehrlich and is described as Algorithm E in Knuth's book [14]. The seventh algorithm is the derangement ordering in which no two consecutive permutations have any elements in the same position. It was first discussed by Savage in [18]. The eighth algorithm is the Single Track listing algorithm. Each column in the list of permutations is a cyclic shift of the first column [2]. The computation for each successive permutation is CAT [2]. The ninth algorithm is the Single Track Gray Code listing algorithm. The properties of the Single Track listing algorithm hold. Furthermore, any two successive permutations differing by at most two transpositions [2]. The tenth listing algorithm is found in Knuth's book. At each step, it either rotates the permutation to the left by one or swaps the first two elements [13]. The problem as to whether such a listing algorithm exists for all n is posed as an open problem in Knuth's book [13]. It was solved by Sawada and Williams in their paper A Hamiltonian Path for the Sigma-Tau Problem [19]. The eleventh algorithm is Corbett's algorithm which rotates a prefix of the first possible

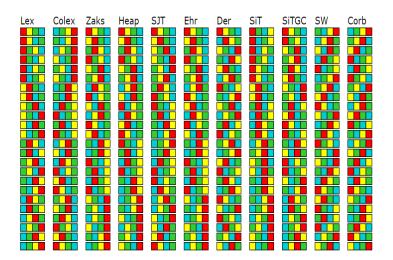


Figure 2.8: Eleven permutation listing algorithms

length in n, 2, n - 1, 3, n - 2, 4, etc. [23]. To see the listings for all the aforementioned algorithms, refer to Figure 2.8[17].

In Chapter 1, it was stated that a modification of the SJT algorithm was used to solve The Canonical Ladder Listing Problem. SJT generates each permutation in O(1) per permutation and in Gray code order. In Chapter 4, the SJT algorithm is modified to create ladders instead of permutations while still maintaining the same efficiency and order. Below, we further examine the SJT algorithm.

2.6.1 Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter Algorithm

The Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter algorithm generates S_n by performing adjacent swap operations on the permutation resulting in the next permutation. Thus, each permutation in S_n differs from it predecessor by a single swap operation. Let an even permutation be defined as a permutation with an even number of inversions. Let an odd permutation be defined as a permutation with an odd number of inversions. If π of order n-1 is an even permutation, then the nth element is inserted into all positions of π of order n-1 in descending order. If π of order n-1 is an odd permutation, the nth element is inserted into all positions of π of order n-1 in ascending order [11]. For π of order 1 we have $\pi = (1)$. Since there are no inversions in $\pi = (1)$

it is even. Now insert 2 in all positions in $\pi = (1)$ in descending order. Thus we get (1,2) followed by (2,1). Since (1,2) is an even permutation, insert 3 into all positions in descending order resulting in (1,2,3), (1,3,2) and (3,1,2). Since (2,1) is an odd permutation, insert 3 into all permutations in ascending order resulting in (3,2,1), (2,3,1) and (2,1,3).

The Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter algorithm is a Gray code, meaning that in order to transition between any two subsequent permutations in S_n , there is a minimal amount of constant change required. The algorithm simply swaps two elements in order to transition between permutations. Each recursive call creates a new permutation with the exception of the initial call to the function in which n recursive calls need to be made before the first permutation is printed. The amortized time to transition between permutations is O(1).

2.7 Permutations With k Inversions

In the previous section we looked at permutation listings for all n! permutations. In this section we look at listings for permutations with a given number of inversions. Let k be the number of inversions for a given permutation of order n. Let $\Pi_{n,k}$ indicate the number of permutations of order n with k inversions. We note that the $\Pi_{n,k}$ is counted by the triangle of Mahonian numbers [20]. Let $S_{n,k}$ denote all permutations of order n with k inversions.

2.7.1 Effler-Ruskey Algorithm

In the paper A CAT Algorithm for Generating Permutations with a Fixed Number of Inversions [7], written by Effler and Ruskey, the authors provide a constant amortized time algorithm for generating all permutations of order n with k inversions. The algorithm is also a BEST algorithm (backtracking ensures success at terminals), meaning that when the algorithm backtracks, the back-tracking leads to a successful

Algorithm 1 Generate all permutations with k inversions

```
1: function KINVERSIONS(\pi, n, k, list)
        if n = 0 and k = 0 then
2:
            PRINT(\pi)
3:
        else
4:
            for i from 1 to length of list do
5:
                x \leftarrow list_i
6:
                rank(x) gets(length of list <math>-i) + 1
7:
                if n - rank(x) \le k \le {n-1 \choose 2} + n - rank(x) then
8:
                    p_n \leftarrow x
9:
                    k \leftarrow k - n + rank(x)
10:
                    remove x from list
11:
                    KINVERSIONS(\pi, n-1, k, list)
12:
                    insert x in list at correct position
13:
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result. We define the *empty permutation of order* n as an empty vector of length n. Let the initial conditions of the algorithm be the following. Let π be the empty permutation of order n. Let k be initialized to an integer between 0 to $\binom{n}{2}$. Let list be initialized to the list of n elements in strictly descending order. The algorithm works as follows. Going left to right in the list, each element x is inserted into p_n only if inserting x into position n in π does not exceed the current number of inversions, k. If x is inserted into π at position n then x is removed from list, a recursive call is made and both n and k are reduced. Recursion terminates when n and k are 0 indicating that all elements have been added to π and the correct number of inversions exist in π . When the function returns from its recursive call, element x is placed back into the list at its original position. To see the algorithm please refer to Algorithm 1.

Refer to Figure 2.9[7] to see an example of how the algorithm lists permutations of order 4 with 2 inversions. Each leaf node is a unique permutation of order n with k inversions. We note that the listing is not a Gray code ordering. For example, when we look at the leftmost leaf node (3,1,2,4) and its right sibling (2,3,1,4), we note that they differ by a prefix rotation of the elements $\{1,2,3\}$.

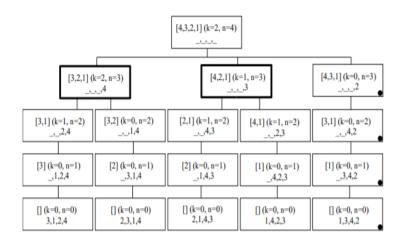


Figure 2.9: Listing all permutations of order 4 with 2 inversions using Effler and Ruskey's algorithm.

2.7.2 Walsh

Despite the efficiency of Effler-Ruskey's algorithm, we note that the permutations are not listed in Gray code order. Therefore, we also look at the paper, Loop Free Sequencing of Bounded Integer Compositions, written by Walsh [22]. Walsh provides an algorithm for listing $S_{n,k}$ in Gray code order in O(1) time per permutation. An n part composition of a non negative integer k is an ordered n-tuple, $(g_1, g_2 \ldots, g_n)$, whose sum adds to k. Such a composition is said to be (m_1, m_2, \ldots, m_n) bounded when $0 \le g_i \le m_i$. Let π be of order n+1, then we say g is an n-tuple from $g_1 \ldots g_n$. We say m is a bound on g from $m_1 \ldots m_n$ such that each $m_i = \min(n+1-i,k)$ where k is the target number of inversions. Let g_i represent the number of inversions formed by placing an element from 1 to n+1 in π at index i in π . We note that placing 1 at index 1 forms 0 inversions and we note that placing n+1 at index 1 forms n inversions. n inversions. n is known as the inversion vector of n, bounded by m.

Walsh lists $S_{n,k}$ by incrementing some g_i by 1 and decrementing some g_j by 1. Let x and y be positive integers indicating offsets from an index. Incrementing g_i by 1 induces a transposition in π with p_i and some element, p_{i+x} in the suffix $p_{i+1} \dots p_{n+1}$, such that $p_i < p_{i+x} \wedge p_{i+x} < \forall p_{i+y} > p_i$. Decrementing g_j by 1 induces a

composition					pe	rm	ut	at	ion
	4	1	0	0	5	2	1	3	4
	3	2	0	0	4	3	1	2	5
	2	3	0	0	3	5	1	2	4
	1	3	1	0	2	5	3	1	4
	2	2	1	0	3	4	2	1	5
	3	1	1	0	4	2	3	1	5
	4	0	1	0	5	1	3	2	4
	3	0	2	0	4	1	5	2	3
	2	1	2	0	3	2	5	1	4
	1	2	2	0	2	4	5	1	3
	0	3	2	0	1	5	4	2	3
	0	2	2	1	1	4	5	3	2
	1	1	2	1	2	3	5	4	1
	2	0	2	1	3	1	5	4	2
	3	0	1	1	4	1	3	5	2
	2	1	1	1	3	2	4	5	1
	1	2	1	1	2	4	3	5	1
	0	3	1	1	1	5	3	4	2
	1	3	0	1	2	5	1	4	3
	2	2	0	1	3	4	1	5	2
	3	1	0	1	4	2	1	5	3
	4	0	0	1	5	1	2	4	3

Figure 2.10: Walsh's Gray code ordering of inversion vectors and corresponding permutations

transposition in π with p_j and some element, p_{j+x} in the suffix $p_{j+1} \dots p_{n+1}$, such that $p_j > p_{j+x} \wedge p_{j+x} > \forall p_{j+y} < p_j$. We call i the first pivot j the second pivot, indicating that the increment occurs before the decrement; each pivot is found in O(1) time. In Figure 2.10 [22], all compositions, and permutations of order 5 with 5 inversions, are listed in the Gray code order found in Walsh's paper. In Chapter 5, by borrowing from Walsh's paper, we derive a Gray code for listing one optimal ladder for each permutation with k inversions.

2.8 Sorting Networks

Let a wire be a horizontal line. Let a comparator be a vertical line connecting two wires. A sorting network is a device consisting of n wires and m comparators such that the sorting network sorts a permutation of n elements into ascending order. The n elements are first listed to the left of each wire in the network. The elements travel across their respective wires at the same time. When a pair of elements, traveling through a pair of wires, encounter a comparator, the comparator swaps the elements

if and only if the top wire's element is greater than the bottom wire's element. A sorting network with n wires and m comparators that can sort any permutation of order n is a *complete sorting network*. To see a complete sorting network for n = 4 please refer to Figure 2.11.

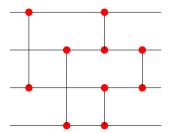


Figure 2.11: Complete sorting network for n = 4.

Sorting networks were first studied in 1954 by Armstrong, Nelson and O'Connor [14]. Donald Knuth describes how the comparators for binary integers can be implemented as simple, three-state electronic devices [14]. Batcher, in 1968, suggested using them to construct switching networks for computer hardware, replacing both buses and the faster, but more expensive, crossbar switches [3]. Currently, sorting networks are implemented in graphical processing units, GPUs, for faster sorting methods than traditional CPU sorting methods [16].

Let a minimum sorting network be defined as a sorting network such that for any arbitrary comparator, c, on wire i, c connects to line i+1 or i-1. Furthermore, the number of comparators in a minimum sorting network is equal to the number of inversions in π . Clearly, there is a bijection from comparators in a minimum sorting network to the bars in an optimal ladder lottery, and there is a bijection from the wires in a minimum sorting network and the lines in a ladder lottery.

2.8.1 The Integer Sequence Relating to the Reverse Permutation

Let $\pi = (n, n-1, \dots 2, 1)$ refer to the reverse permutation order n. There is an integer sequence that counts the number of minimum sorting networks for π . This integer sequence also counts $OptL\{(n, n-1, \dots, 1)\}$. This sequence grows very quickly,

Table 2.1: Number of minimum sorting networks and $|OptL\{(n, n-1, ..., 1)\}|$

Number of minimum sorting networks and $ OptL\{(n, n-1,, 1)\} $		
N	Count	
1	1	
2	1	
3	2	
4	8	
5	62	
6	908	
7	24698	
8	1232944	
9	112018190	
10	18410581880	
11	5449192389984	
12	2894710651370536	
13	2752596959306389652	
14	4675651520558571537540	
15	14163808995580022218786390	

therefore n=15 is the largest value this integer sequence has been calculated for. To refer to the table for this sequence please refer to Table 2.1 [21].

Dumitrescu and Mandal, in their paper New Lower Bounds For The Number of Pseudoline Arrangements [6] published in 2018, provide the current best known lower bound for this sequence as $T_{bn} \in O(n^2 - n \log n)$. In particular, $bn \geq 0.2083n^2$ for large values of n. Where bn is the bound for a given value n. In the paper, Coding and Counting Arrangements of Pseudolines [8] by Felsner and Valtr, written in 2011, the authors demonstrate the best known upper bound for this sequence is $bn \leq 2^{0.657n^2}$.

Seeing as there is yet to be a closed form solution for this sequence, new values of n are counted by a variety of algorithms. In the paper, Efficient Enumeration of all Ladder Lotteries and its Application [28], the authors were the first to calculate the sequence for n = 11 with the algorithm FINDALLCHILDREN. In the paper, Counting

Primitive Sorting Networks by πDDs [12], written by Kawahara, Minato, Saitoh and Yoshinaka, the authors were the first to calculate for n=13 with a data structure they have termed πDD .

Chapter 3

The Canonical Ladder

In this chapter we describe a canonical ladder for each $OptL\{\pi\}$. We then provide a number of equations to calculate the location of the bar in the canonical ladder; depending on the configuration of π , we use different equations for calculating the location of the bar. We then define the data structure used to represent the canonical ladder. Using the data structure, we provide an algorithm for creating the canonical ladder for any π of order n. Lastly, we describe the listing problem in relation to the canonical ladder. To see the canonical ladder for (3, 5, 4, 1, 2), refer to Figure 3.1.

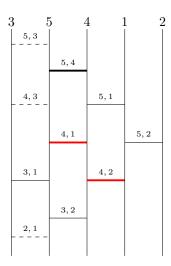


Figure 3.1: The canonical ladder for (3, 5, 4, 1, 2). Bars (5, 4), (4, 1), (4, 2) are part of the route of 4, but only the red bars are associated with the route of 4.

3.1 The Canonical Ladder in Detail

In this section, we fully define the canonical ladder corresponding to π . We first define the associated terminology in order to provide a comprehensive definition of the canonical ladder. Let the route of an element be the sequence of bars the element travels along in order to reach its final position in the sorted permutation. The bars are read from top to bottom. In Figure 3.1, the bars (5,4),(4,1) and (4,2) compose the route of 4. For every bar, two elements cross the bar, therefore bar association is the association of a bar with the greater of the two elements that cross it. For example, in Figure 3.1, element 4 has the bars (5,4),(4,1) and (4,2) in its route, however only bars (4,1) and (4,2) are associated with element 4. Let the absence of a bar corresponding to two uninverted elements in π , x > y, be defined as a dashed, horizontal line spanning across a column in the ladder. We say absence of a bar association is the association of the absence of a bar with the greater of the two elements that form it. For example, (5,3) are uninverted in (3,5,4,1,2), therefore the absence of the bar is associated with 5. For each element $2 \le x \le n \in \pi$, we define the associated diagonal of x as a diagonal with x-1 row and column coordinates, having one endpoint at (2n-2x+1,1) and the other endpoint at (2n-x-1,x-1). At each row and column in the associated diagonal of x, either a bar associated with x or the absence of a bar associated with x exists. For an example of the associated diagonals for the ladder corresponding to (3, 4, 2, 1, 5) refer to Figure 3.2.

With the definition of the associated diagonal, we are now able to fully define the canonical ladder as the ladder such that for each element $2 \le x \le n$, each bar, and absence of a bar, associated with x exists along the associated diagonal of x. We note that the two aforementioned figures, Figure 3.1 and Figure 3.2, are the canonical ladders corresponding to each of their respective permutations. We use $CL(\pi)$ as shorthand notation for 'the canonical ladder corresponding to a permutation of order n'.

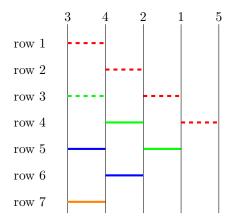


Figure 3.2: The associated diagonal of 5 is in red, the associated diagonal of 4 is in green, the associated diagonal of 3 is in blue, and the associated diagonal of 2 is in orange.

3.2 Locating the Bar for a Given Inversion in an Arbitrary $CL(\pi)$

In this section, we provide an equation for locating the bar in the canonical ladder associated with a given inversion, in an arbitrary permutation of order n. As previously stated, every bar associated with some element x exists along the associated diagonal of x within the canonical ladder. We use Equation 3.1, to determine the row and column for the bar corresponding to two elements, x > y, along the associated diagonal of x. Let π be an arbitrary permutation of order n. Let pos(x) be the index of $x \in \pi$. To calculate the row and column of the bar, or absence of a bar, for a pair of elements x > y, we first map x to a new index termed pos'(x). Let pos'(x) equal pos(x) minus the number of elements greater than x and to the left of x in π . For example, given $\pi = (3, 2, 7, 4, 8, 5, 6, 9, 1)$, suppose x = 6, then pos'(6) = pos(6) - 2 = 5. Once we have calculated pos'(x) we use a similar method to calculate pos'(y). pos'(y) equals pos(y) minus the number of elements greater than y and to the left of y excluding x. For example, suppose x is 7 and y is 5, then pos'(y) is pos(y) - 1 = 5. Once we have pos'(x) and pos'(y), we use Equation 3.1 to return the row and column for the bar,

or absence of the bar, along the associated diagonal of x.

$$(\text{row,column}) = \begin{cases} ((2n - x - 1) - (x - pos'(y)) + 1, (x - 1) - (x - pos'(y)) + 1) & \text{if } pos'(x) > pos'(y) \\ ((2n - x - 1) - (x - pos'(y)), (x - 1) - (x - pos'(y)) & \text{if } pos'(y) > pos'(x) \end{cases}$$
(3.1)

Given the inversion $(7,5) \in (3,2,7,4,8,5,6,9,1)$, we calculate the row and column of the bar (7,5) using the second case. We get row = (18-7-1)-(7-5)=8 and col = 6-(7-5)=4. To calculate pos'(x) and pos'(y), is linear amortized time. Once pos'(x) and pos'(y) are calculated, returns the location in O(1) time. We can use Equation 3.1 to look up the location of any bar for a given π . In Figure 3.3 we see CL(3,2,7,4,8,5,6,9,1), where each row and column is calculated using Equation 3.1.

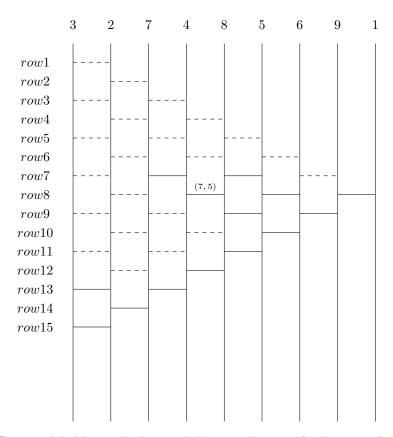


Figure 3.3: Canonical ladder such that each bar or absence of a bar is calculated using the Equation 3.1.

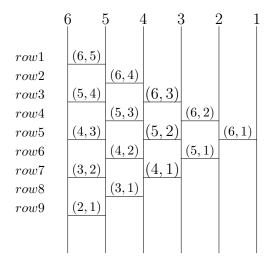
3.3 Locating the Bar for a Given Inversion in $CL((n, n-1, \ldots 1))$

In the previous section, we looked up a bar for a given inversion for some arbitrary permutation in O(n) time. Clearly this is less than ideal. However, if π is an arbitrary permutation of order n, we require linear time to calculate the location of a bar. In this section, we calculate the location of a bar corresponding to an inversion for CL((n, n-1, ..., 1)) in O(1) time. Let $\pi = (n, n-1, n-2, ..., 1)$, then each associated diagonal in $CL(\pi)$ is fully occupied by bars. Let x, y be a pair of elements in π such that x > y and $2 \le x \le n$. We know there exists a bar, (x, y), in CL((n, n-1, ..., 1)) along the associated diagonal of x. We compute the row and column of a bar (x, y)

in CL((n, n-1, ... 1)) in O(1) time using Equation 3.2.

$$(row, column) = (2n - 2x + (x - y), (x - y))$$
(3.2)

For example, given $\pi = (6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1)$, bar (5, 2) is located at row 5; note that 5 = (2n-2x)+(x-y). Bar (5, 2) is also located at column 3; note that 3 = x-y. To see the canonical ladder for (6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1) with the corresponding bars, please refer to Figure 3.4. We use Equation 3.2 to locate a bar when we know $\pi = (n, n-1, \ldots, 2, 1)$.



col1 col2 col3 col4 col5

Figure 3.4: Canonical ladder for (6,5,4,3,2,1). The location of each bar can be calculated using the formula (2n-2x+(x-y),(x-y))

We use Equation 3.2 when possible because the calculation time is O(1) rather than O(n).

3.4 Algorithm: CreateCanonical

In this section we provide the data structure used to represent the canonical ladder in code. We then provide the algorithm for creating the canonical ladder corresponding to any permutation of order n. To create the canonical ladder we must represent

the canonical ladder in code. We use Theorem 3.4.1 and Corollary 3.4.2 to prove the veracity of the representation of the canonical ladder.

Theorem 3.4.1 The number of rows required for the canonical ladder corresponding to the descending permutation of order n is 2(n-1)-1.

Proof. Let π be the descending permutation of order n. Let route(x) be the route of $n \geq x \geq 2 \in \pi$. We know that when x = n, route(x) has n - 1 bars, each requiring their own row. Thus, CL((n, n - 1, ..., 1)) requires at least n - 1 rows. For each subsequent x from [n - 1...2], each route(x) requires one more row to be added to CL((n, n - 1, ...1)). We get an additional n - 2 rows added to CL, one for each $route([n - 1 \geq x \geq 2])$. Therefore, the total number of rows is (n - 1) + (n - 2) = 2(n - 1) - 1.

Corollary 3.4.2 The upper bound for the number of rows of any canonical ladder of order n is 2(n-1)-1.

Proof. By Theorem 3.4.1, we know that 2(n-1)-1 is the number of rows required for the canonical ladder corresponding to the descending permutation of order n. By removing bars from the canonical ladder for the descending permutation of order n, we can derive any other canonical ladder for any other permutation of order n; removing a bar translates to removing an inversion in π . Removing bars from the canonical ladder corresponding to the descending permutation of order n does not necessarily remove a row from the ladder, however, removing bars from the ladder certainly does not add any more rows to ladder. Therefore, 2(n-1)-1 is the upper bound for the number of rows required for any ladder of order n.

Using Theorem 3.4.1 and Corollary 3.4.2, we represent a canonical ladder as a binary matrix with 2(n-1)-1 rows and n-1 columns. Let matrix[row][col] = 1 indicate a bar at the given row and column in the canonical ladder along an associated diagonal. Let matrix[row][col] = 0 indicate the absence of a bar at the given row and column in

the canonical ladder along an associated diagonal. Let matrix[row][col] = - indicate irrelevancy as to whether a 1 or 0 is at the given row and column because the row and column do not lie on an associated diagonal. To see the canonical ladder for (4, 2, 1, 3) and the corresponding binary matrix, refer to Figure 3.5.

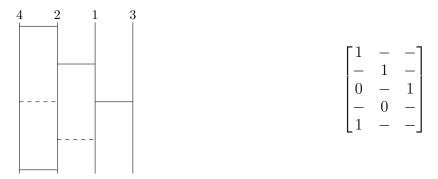


Figure 3.5: Canonical ladder and corresponding binary matrix.

Using Equation 3.1, and the binary matrix representation of a ladder, we define algorithm CreateCanonical which can be found in Algorithm 2 to create the canonical ladder for any given permutation of order n. The initial conditions of CreateCanonical are the following. Let ladder be the binary matrix representing $CL(\pi)$ initialized to -. Let π be an arbitrary permutation of order n. Let x be the currently maximal element in π , initialized to n. Let GetCoordinates refer to Equation 3.1.

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Algorithm 2 The algorithm for creating the canonical ladder of OptL\{\pi\}
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1: function CreateCanonical(ladder, \pi, x)
        while x > 1 do
2:
            pos(x) \leftarrow index of x \in \pi
3:
            for i from 1 to x do
4:
                if i \neq pos(x) then
5:
                     (row, column) \leftarrow GetCoordinates(x, pos(x), i)
6:
                     if pos(x) < i then
7:
                         ladder[row][col] \leftarrow 1
8:
                     else
9:
                         ladder[row][col] \leftarrow 0
10:
            \pi \leftarrow \pi - x
11:
            x \leftarrow x - 1
12:
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On each iteration of the while loop, all x-1 1s and 0s along the associated diagonal of the xth element are added to ladder within the for-loop. GetCoordi-NATES, which refers to Equation 3.1, returns the row and column coordinate for the respective 1 or 0 for the pair of elements, x > y. Note that we call GetCoordinates with the arguments (x, pos(x), i). When referring to Equation 3.1 the variables are (x, pos'(x), pos'(y)). Prior to the next iteration of the while loop, x is removed from π and all elements to the right of x are moved to the left by one index. Then, x is decremented by 1. The while loop continues until x=1. Determining pos(x) is done in O(x) time. Removing x from π is done in O(x) time. Calculating the row and column for each (x,y) is done in O(1) time. Overall, the algorithms complexity is $O(n^2)$. We also note that CREATECANONICAL creates the ladder representation with clean level 1. Given three elements, x > y > z and pos(x) < pos(y) < pos(z), Equation 3.1 returns a lesser row for (x, z) than for (y, z). Therefore, CREATECANONICAL creates a representation of a ladder with clean level 1. To see the resulting state of the ladder for each iteration of CREATECANONICAL with (5, 7, 3, 4, 1, 2, 6) please refer to Figure 3.6.

A main contribution of this thesis is the canonical ladder and the algorithm CREATECANONICAL. By defining the canonical ladder we are able to list all n! canonical ladders in any order. Let L_n be the set of all n! canonical ladders.

Lemma 3.4.3 Using CreateCanonical, we can list L_n in any order.

Proof. Let S_n be the set of all permutations of order n. We simply apply an ordering to list S_n . For each permutation in S_n , we apply CREATECANONICAL, thus listing L_n in the same order as S_n .

We create each $CL(\pi)$ in $O(n^2)$ time using CreateCanonical. However, using CreateCanonical to list L_n is inefficient, seeing as each ladder is created in $O(n^2)$ time. In chapters 4 and 5 we provide two Gray code listing algorithms, ModifiedSJT and ListLnByKBars, to list L_n in constant amortized time. The details of these

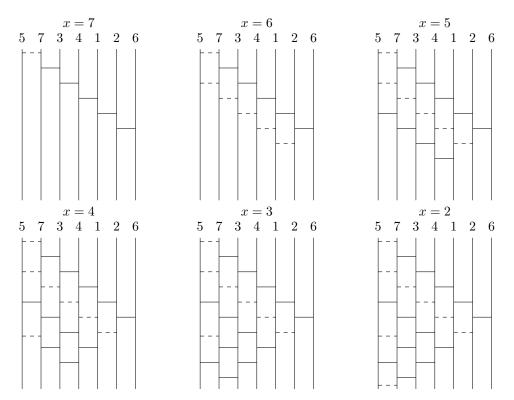


Figure 3.6: The ordering of the state of the ladder when creating the root ladder for (5, 7, 3, 4, 1, 2, 6) algorithms are found in chapters 4 and 5 respectively.

Chapter 4

Listing L_n in Gray Code Order by Adding or Removing a Bar

In this chapter, we use the definition of the canonical ladder and the binary matrix representation of the canonical ladder to list L_n in Gray code order. Recall, a Gray code is an ordering such that successive elements in the ordering differ by a minimal amount of change. When listing L_n , a minimal amount of change is defined as either adding or removing a bar, or relocating a bar; relocating a bar is the same as adding one bar and removing another. In the case of this chapter's algorithm, we add or remove a bar when transitioning between ladders in L_n . A key step in this chapter is that we are able to determine the bar corresponding to an inversion in constant time. Thus, the running time for this chapter's algorithm is CAT.

4.1 Equation: GetCoordinates2

In the previous chapter, we described how we could list L_n using the naive approach. However, using the naive approach is slow. In this chapter we seek to improve the running time for listing L_n . In this section, we improve the running time by determining the location of a bar in O(1) time for a pair of adjacent elements. This allows us to take advantage of the Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter algorithm, which applies adjacent transpositions to elements.

We define r, with respect to a permutation π , as a vector of order n as follows: r_x equals the number of elements less than x and to the right of x in π . We note that

 $0 \le r_x \le x - 1$. For example, given (3, 4, 1, 5, 6, 2), $r_1 = 0$, $r_2 = 0$, $r_3 = 2$, $r_4 = 2$, $r_5 = 1$ and $r_6 = 1$. We use r to define GetCoordinates2 found in equation 4.1. Let x > y be two elements in π such that pos(x) = pos(y) + / - 1. We are going to apply an adjacent transposition to x and y; we need to know where to locate the 1 or 0 in the binary matrix corresponding to the elements x, y in order to flip it from a 1 to a 0 or vice versa. Prior to the transposition of x and y, if pos(x) = pos(y) - 1 then GetCoordinates2 returns the row and column of the 1 corresponding to x and y. If pos(x) = pos(y) + 1, then GetCoordinates2 returns the row and column of the 0 corresponding to x and y. r_x is updated accordingly by being incremented or decremented by 1.

$$(\text{row,column}) = \begin{cases} ((2n - x - 1) - r_x, (x - 1) - r_x) & \text{if } pos(x) = pos(y) + 1\\ ((2n - x) - r_x, (x) - r_x) & \text{if } pos(y) = pos(x) + 1 \end{cases}$$
(4.1)

Initially, if pos(x) = pos(y) + 1, then when we apply an adjacent transposition between x and y, an inversion is induced in π . Therefore, r_x is incremented by 1, and the bar (x, y) gets added to the canonical ladder. Initially, if pos(x) = pos(y) - 1then when we apply an adjacent transposition between x and y, and an inversion gets removed from π . Therefore, r_x is decremented by 1, indicating the bar (x, y)has been removed from the canonical ladder. One of the main results of this thesis is Modified SJT produces L_n in Gray code order in CAT. Modified SJT uses Get-Coordinates 2 and r to calculate the row and column for every 1 or 0 in the binary matrix in O(1) time.

4.2 Algorithm: ModifiedSJT

In this section we define the algorithm Modifed SJT, using r and Equation 4.1, which can be found in Algorithm 3. Transposing two adjacent elements in π_i results in a

subsequent permutation π_j . The transposition of the two elements results in adding or removing a bar in $CL(\pi_i)$, resulting in $CL(\pi_j)$. The transposition of the two elements is merely simulated in Algorithm 3, seeing as π is not an argument to the function; we are able to calculate the location of the 1 or 0 in the binary matrix without having to induce the transposition in π . This makes our algorithm more interesting, seeing as we do not actually perform any swap operations on inversions. The initial conditions of Modified SJT are the following: Let ladder be the binary matrix representation of the canonical ladder such that each row and column coordinate along each associated diagonal is initialized to 0. Let n be the maximum element. Let n be initialized to 2; n represents the current element. On each recursive call n is incremented by 1 from n0, n1. Let n2 direction be a one indexed array set to false for all indexes. n3 direction n4 = false implies the n5 element is being adjacently transposed from right to left. n6 direction n7 = true implies the n8 element is being transposed from left to right. Let n8 be the inversion vector initialized at all indices to 0; when n1 is initialized to all 0s, this means that n1 is the inversion vector for n6 = (1, 2, ..., n - 1, n).

Algorithm 3 Modification of the SJT algorithm for listing L_n

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1: function Modified SJT(n, ladder, x, direction, r)
2:
       if x > n then
           if number of bars in ladder equals 0 then Print(ladder)
3:
            return
4:
       for i from 1 to x do
5:
           if i = 1 then
6:
                ModifiedSJT(n, ladder, x + 1, direction, r)
7:
            else
8:
                if direction[x] =false then
9:
                    (row, \underbrace{column}) \leftarrow ((2n - x - 1) - r_x, (x - 1) - r_x)
10:
                    r_x \leftarrow r_x + 1
11:
                    ladder[row][column] \leftarrow 1
12:
                else
13:
                    (row, column) \leftarrow ((2n - x) - r_x, (x) - r_x)
14:
                    r_x \leftarrow r_x - 1
15:
                    ladder[row][column] \leftarrow 0
16:
                Print(ladder)
17:
                ModifiedSJT(n, ladder, x + 1, direction)
18:
       if direction[x] = false then direction[x] \leftarrow true
19:
       else direction[x] \leftarrow false
20:
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We use GetCoordinates2 on lines 10 and 14 of ModifiedSJT to calculate the row and column. When direction[x] equals **false** we use the first case from GetCoordinates2. When direction[x] equals **true** we use the second case from GetCoordinates2 to calculate the row and column.

Given the current value of x, add or remove a bar for the route of x, then add or remove all bars for route x + 1. Once all bars for route x + 1 have been added or removed, proceed to add or remove the next bar from the route of x. Repeat until all x - 1 bars have been added or removed from route x. If direction[x] is **false**, then bars of x will be added to ladder from right to left, bottom to top, until no more bars to the route of x can be added. If direction[x] is **true**, then bars will be removed from ladder, left to right, top to bottom, until no more bars from the route of x can be removed. Once all the bars for the route of x have been added or removed, then direction[x] is negated, indicating that the opposite operation will be applied

to the bars of the route of x when x is next processed. On each recursive call, x is incremented by 1. When x is greater than n, return.

4.3 Analysis of ModifiedSJT

In this section we provide a theoretical analysis of Modified SJT along with the runtime for the algorithm. We have implied that Modified SJT produces L_n . We note that there are two general criteria for L_n . The first, each ladder in L_n corresponds to a unique permutation of order n. The second, each ladder in L_n is the canonical ladder. In Lemma 4.3.1, we prove the first criteria for L_n .

Lemma 4.3.1 Each ladder produced by ModifiedSJT corresponds to a unique permutation of order n

Proof. Since the algorithm is a modification of the Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter algorithm, a similar proof for the SJT algorithm can be applied to the ModifiedSJT algorithm. Suppose we want to list all n! ladders of order n. Suppose we have all n-1! ladders of order n-1, then for each ladder of order n-1 add a new column to the right; this results in n-1 columns seeing as the number of columns is one less than the number of elements. For each of the n-1! ladders with n-1 columns add $0 \dots n-1$ bars beginning at column n-1 and ending at column 1. Doing so results in (n-1)!n=n! ladders of order n. To see an example of the proof please refer to Figure 4.1.

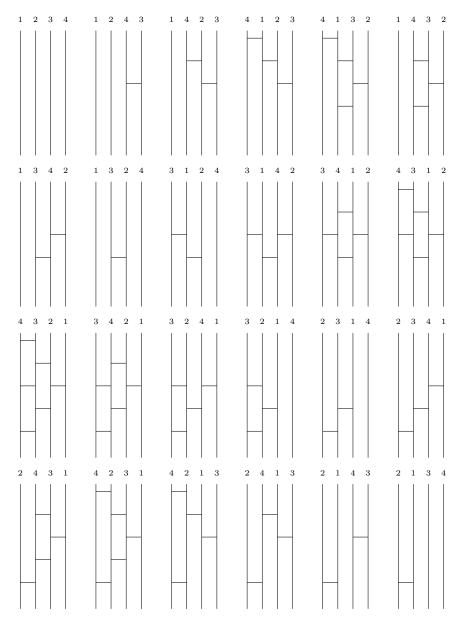


Figure 4.1: L_4 generated by the ModifiedSJT algorithm. The algorithm inserts or removes a bar between any two successive ladders.

To prove that each ladder produced by ModifiedSJT is the canonical ladder, we prove that the calculations for the (row, column) coordinates lie on the associated diagonal of x. Recall that the canonical ladder is the ladder such that for each element, $2 \le x \le n$, each bar associated with x lies on the associated diagonal of x. The associated diagonal of x starts at (2n-2x+1,1) and ends at (2n-x-1,x-1).

The calculations for the row and column for the bar depend on whether the bar is being added or removed. Thus, there are four cases to consider. We will prove that for each case, the calculation for the (row, column) coordinates is located along the associated diagonal of x. The cases are the following:

Case 1: Bar is being added

Row is being calculated.

Case 2: Bar is being added

Column is being calculated.

Case 3: Bar is being removed

Row is being calculated.

Case 4: Bar is being removed.

Column is being calculated.

Lemma 4.3.2 Assume a bar is being added and a row is being calculated. We use $(2n-x-1)-r_x$ to calculate the row. The row calculation is bounded by the uppermost row and bottommost row composing the associated diagonal of x.

Proof. Suppose $r_x = 0$, then we know that x currently has no associated bars in the ladder. We know that the first bar associated with x will be located at row (2n-x-1)-0 which is also the bottommost row composing the associated diagonal of x. Suppose $r_x = x-2$, then we know that x has one more associated bar be added to the ladder. The bar will be located at (2n-x-1)-(x-2) which is simplified to

2n-2x+1; 2n-2x+1 equals the uppermost row composing the associated diagonal of x.

Lemma 4.3.3 Assume a bar is being added and a column is being calculated. We use $(x-1) - r_x$ to calculate the column. The column calculation is bounded by the leftmost column and rightmost column composing the associated diagonal of x.

Proof. Suppose $r_x = 0$, then we know that x currently has no associated bars in the ladder. We know that the first bar associated with x will be located at (x - 1) - 0 which is also the rightmost column composing the associated diagonal of x. Suppose $r_x = x - 2$, then we know that x has one more associated bar to be added to the ladder. The bar will be located at (x - 1) - (x - 2) which is simplified to 1; 1 equals the leftmost column composing the associated diagonal of x.

Lemma 4.3.4 Assume a bar is being removed and a row is being calculated. We use $(2n-x)-r_x$ to calculate the row. The row is bounded by the uppermost row and bottommost row composing the associated diagonal of x.

Proof. Suppose $r_x = x - 1$, then we know that x has all of its associated bars in the canonical ladder. We calculate the row of the first bar to be removed at (2n - x) - (x - 1) = (2n - 2x) + 1; (2n - 2x) + 1 is the uppermost row of the associated diagonal of x. Suppose $r_x = 1$, then we know that x only has one more bar to be removed from the ladder. We calculate the row of the last bar to be removed at (2n - x) - 1; 2n - x - 1 is the bottommost row of the associated diagonal of x.

Lemma 4.3.5 Assume a bar is being removed and a column is being calculated. We use $(x) - r_x$ to calculate the column. The column is bounded by the leftmost column and rightmost column composing the associated diagonal of x.

Proof. Suppose $r_x = x - 1$, then we know that x has all of its associated bars in the canonical ladder. We calculate the column of the first bar to be removed at (x) - (x - 1) = 1; 1 is the leftmost column of the associated diagonal of x. Suppose $r_x = 1$, then we know x only has one more bar to be removed from the ladder. We calculate the column of the last bar to be removed at (x) - 1; x - 1 is the rightmost column of the associated diagonal of x.

Using Lemmas 4.3.1, 4.3.2, 4.3.3, 4.3.4, 4.3.5 we have shown that ModifiedSJT produces L_n . However, we have yet to prove that ModifiedSJT produces L_n in Gray code order. We use Theorem 4.3.6 to prove that ModifiedSJT produces L_n in Gray code order.

Theorem 4.3.6 Modified SJT produces L_n in Gray code order

Proof. Let l_i be an arbitrary ladder produced by Modifed SJT. Let j be the next ladder to be produced by Modified SJT. If $l_i = l_j$ plus or minus a bar, then Modified SJT produces L_n in Gray code order. On each iteration of the loop, direction[x] is either true or false, but not both. When direction[x] = false, a single 1 is added to the associated diagonal of x, indicating a bar has been added. When direction[x] = true, a single 0 is added to the associated diagonal of x, indicating a bar has been removed. With an addition or removal of a 1 or 0, l_i differs from l_j by the addition or removal of a bar. Therefore, L_n is produced by Modifed SJT in Gray code order.

Theorem 4.3.7 Modified SJT produces L_n in CAT.

Proof. The first ladder is printed in O(n) time because [2...n+1] recursive calls are made before first ladder is printed. Each subsequent ladder deviates from its predecessor by a single addition or removal of a bar. Calculating the location of a 1 or 0, corresponding to a bar or absence of a bar, is done in O(1) time. Once

calculated, the 1 or 0 is added to l_i producing l_j . Once l_i is transformed into l_j , l_j is printed.

We calculated the runtimes for n=1...13. The runtime is calculated without the ladders being printed. When the ladders are printed, the runtime increases by a substantial amount. The runtimes from n=9...n=13 are provided in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1: The table with the runtimes for listing L_n using Modified SJT.

Runtimes for generating L_n in seconds		
n	ModifiedSJT Runtime	
9	0.00	
10	0.03	
11	0.25	
12	2.78	
13	66.97	

4.4 Chapter Conclusion

We have provided a CAT algorithm for listing L_n by adding or removing a bar. By doing so, we have provided a solution to The Canonical Ladder Listing Problem. We use Equation 4.1 and modified the Steinhaus-Johnson-Trotter algorithm in order to create Algorithm 3. We computed the location of a bar corresponding to any pair of adjacent elements in O(1) time.

Chapter 5

Listing L_n in Gray Code Order with k Bars

In this chapter we provide a Gray code for listing all ladders with k bars. We define $L_{n,k}$ as the set of all canonical ladder lotteries with n lines and exactly k bars, where $0 \le k \le {n \choose 2}$. To list $L_{n,k}$, we define a mapping from associated diagonals to an inversion vector corresponding to π . We apply this mapping to generate a Gray code for listing $L_{n,k}$. We then provide an algorithm for listing L_n ordered by the number of bars from $0 \le k \le {n \choose 2}$ in Gray code order. When listing ladders by k bars, we define minimal change as the relocation of a bar; relocating a bar is equivalent to removing one bar and adding another bar.

5.1 Listing Ladders with n Lines and k Bars in Gray Code Order

In Chapter 2, we discussed Effler-Ruskey's algorithm and Walsh's Gray code for listing $S_{n,k}$. In this section, we focus on Walsh's Gray code for listing $L_{n,k}$ by applying a minimal amount of change between subsequent ladders. We relocate a bar to transition from one ladder in $L_{n,k}$ to the next ladder in $L_{n,k}$. Recall, relocating a bar is the same as adding one bar and removing another bar.

An n part composition of a non negative integer k, is an n tuple $g = (g_1, g_2, \ldots, g_n)$ whose sum adds to k. We say g is the bar vector of $CL(\pi)$, where π is of order n+1, when we map g to a canonical ladder as follows. For each index x in g, x is mapped to the associated diagonal of ((n+1)-x)+1. Furthermore, g_x equals the number of bars along the associated diagonal of element ((n+1)-x)+1. To see the mapping

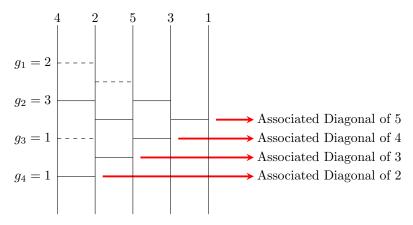


Figure 5.1: Mapping of the composition (2,3,1,1) to the associated diagonals of CL(4,2,5,3,1)

of g to the associated diagonals, refer to Figure 5.1.

g is (m_1,\ldots,m_n) bounded if for each $g_x, 0 \leq g_x \leq m_x$ where $m_x = (n+1)-x$; we let m_x be the fixed upper bound on g such that $g_x \leq m_x$. We let 0 be the fixed lower bound on g such that $0 \le g_x$. We let $k - (g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n)$ be the fluid upper bound on g such that $g_x \le k - (g_{x+1} + \dots + g_n)$. We let $k - (g_{x+1} + \dots + g_n) - (m_1 + \dots + m_{x-1})$ be the fluid lower bound on g such that $k - (g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n) - (m_1 + \cdots + m_{x-1}) \le g_x$. We let the maximum value of $g_x = min(m_x, k - (g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n))$. We let the minimum value of $g_x = max(0, k - (g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n) - (m_1 + \cdots + m_{x-1}))$. For example, suppose k = 9, n = 5, x = 3, $g = (_,_,_1)$ and m = (4,3,2,1). The minimum value of $g_3 = max(0, 9 - 1 - (4 + 3))$ and the maximum value of $g_3 =$ min(2,9-1). Walsh's Gray code for listing compositions is as follows. We start with the lexicographically largest composition $(k,0,\ldots,0)$. We define the last value of g_x as either the max or min value of g_x depending on whether the suffix $(g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n)$ is odd or even. If the suffix is of odd parity, then the last value of g_x is equal to the $max(0, k - (g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n) - (m_1 + \cdots + m_{x-1}))$. If the suffix is of even parity, then the last value of g_x is equal to the $min(m_x, k - (g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n))$. We scan left to right, starting at x = 2, to find the first g_x that is not at its last value; if no such g_x exists, then the current composition is the last one. Once found, g_x is increased by 1 if $(g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n)$ is even, else g_x is decreased by 1. Because we are obligated to ensure g sums to k, when g_x is incremented or decremented by 1, then we must decrement or increment some $(g_1, \ldots, g_w, \ldots, g_{x-1})$ by 1. We determine which g_w to change by scanning right to left, starting at g_{x-1} until we find the smallest w < x such that g_w can be incremented by 1 if g_x was decremented by 1, or decremented by 1 if g_x was incremented by 1.

Although we use the same sequencing rule as Walsh to list the compositions, our mapping of the composition to the associated diagonals lends to a different ordering $S_{n+1,k}$ than that of Walsh's ordering of $S_{n+1,k}$. Note, that Walsh's g composition is the same as our bar vector, however we map our bar vector to the associate diagonals of the canonical ladder. In Table 5.1 we see the composition listing for n = 4 and k = 2, Walsh's listing of $S_{5,2}$, and our listing of permutations of $S_{5,2}$, derived from our mapping of the bar vector to the canonical ladder. We have claimed we can list com-

Table 5.1: Table comparing the listing of permutations with the same composition

g/Bar vector	Walsh's Permutation	Our Permutation
(2,0,0,0)	(3,1,2,4,5)	(1, 2, 5, 3, 4)
(1,1,0,0)	(2,3,1,4,5)	(1, 2, 4, 5, 3)
(0,2,0,0)	(1,4,2,3,5)	(1,4,2,3,5)
(0,1,1,0)	(1,3,4,2,5)	(1,3,4,2,5)
(1,0,1,0)	(2,1,4,3,5)	(1,3,2,5,4)
(0,0,2,0)	(1,2,5,3,4)	(3,1,2,4,5)
(0,0,1,1)	(1, 2, 4, 5, 3)	(2,3,1,4,5)
(0,1,0,1)	(1,4,3,5,2)	(2,1,4,3,5)
(1,0,0,1)	(2,1,3,5,4)	(2,1,3,5,4)

positions g in such a way that we can list $L_{n+1,k}$ by mapping each g_x to the number of bars along the associated diagonal of ((n+1)-x)+1. We have yet to demonstrate the details of this mapping. If k>0, we define the lexicographically largest ladder as the ladder such that the number of bars along the associated diagonal of x is the $min(m_{(n+1-x)+1}, k$ – the number of bars along the associated diagonals of $x+1,\ldots,n,n+1$ and the number of bars along the associated diagonal of any element

less than x is less than or equal to the number of bars along the associated diagonal of x. We start with the lexicographically largest ladder and the corresponding lexicographically largest g. To list g, we use the same sequencing rule as Walsh. To list $L_{n+1,k}$, we let x'=(n+1)-x+1 and we let w'=(n+1)-w+1, where $x\neq w$. We add or remove one bar from the associated diagonal of x' and remove or add another bar from the associated diagonal of w'; we always do the inverse operation on x' and w' in order to ensure k does not change. When we remove a bar, we do so from the top left of an associated diagonal, and when we add a bar, we do so to the bottom right of an associated diagonal. To find our x' value, we scan g from (g_2, \ldots, g_n) until we find a g_x that is not at its last value. We then increment g_x by 1 and add a bar to the associated diagonal of x' if the suffix $(g_{x+1} + \cdots + g_n)$ is even. Otherwise we decrement g_x by 1 and remove a bar from the associated diagonal of x'. Once we have added or removed a bar from x' we scan the prefix (g_{x-1}, \ldots, g_1) from right to left, to find the smallest w value less than x such that g_w is not at its last value. If g_x was incremented by 1, then g_w is decremented by 1 and a bar along the associated diagonal of w' is removed. If g_x was decremented by 1, then g_w is incremented by 1 and a bar along the associated diagonal of w' is added. We use Equation 5.1 to calculate the row and column of the bar to be added or removed.

$$\text{(row,column)} = \begin{cases}
((n+x) - g(x), (n+1-x) - g(x) + 1) & \text{if a bar is being removed} \\
((n+x-1) - g(x), (n+1-x) - g(x)) & \text{if a bar is being added}
\end{cases} (5.1)$$

In Figure 5.2 we provide the listing of $L_{5,2}$ using Walsh's Gray code for listing g and our mapping of g to the associated diagonals of the canonical ladder.

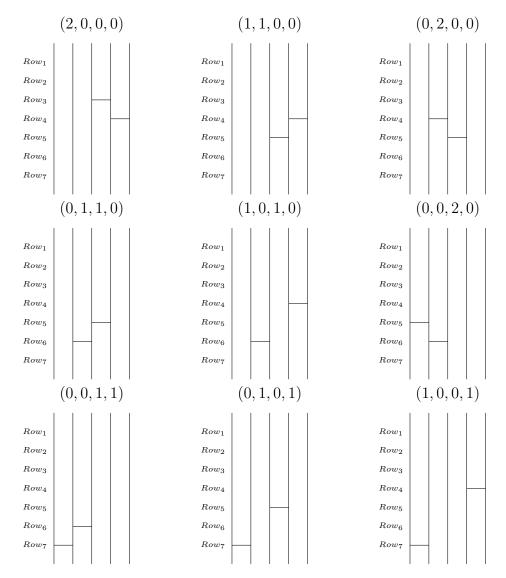


Figure 5.2: Listing $L_{5,2}$ with Walsh's Gray code on bar vector g. Ladders are read left to right, top to bottom. g is listed above each ladder.

Walsh provides a loop free algorithm to list g in Gray code order [22]. His algorithm provides the next instance of g in O(1) time by providing the x and w indices in O(1) time. We use Walsh's algorithm to provide the x and w value in order to list the next canonical ladder in $L_{n+1,k}$. Walsh refers to x as pivot one and w as pivot two. We note that x > w. We also note that g_x is incremented or decremented before g_w is decremented or incremented. In Algorithm 4, termed NextLadderNK, we list the next canonical ladder using the pivots x and y provided by Walsh's algorithm. The initial conditions of NextLadderNK are the following. Let y be pivot one returned from Walsh's algorithm. Let y be pivot two returned from Walsh's algorithm. Let y be a canonical ladder with y in y lines and y bars. Let increment be a Boolean variable set to y true if the pivot one is incremented and pivot two is decremented, else increment is set to false.

Algorithm 4 Algorithm to list the next ladder in $L_{n+1,k}$

```
1: function NEXTLADDERNK(x, w, CL, increment)
                                                      \triangleright Add bar to ass. diag. (n+x)-1
       if increment = true then
2:
3:
           (row_x, column_x) \leftarrow ((n+x-1)-g_x, (n+1-x)-g_x)
           (row_w, column_w) \leftarrow ((n+w) - g_w, (n+1-w) - g_w + 1)
4:
           CL[row_x][column_x] \leftarrow 1
5:
           CL[row_w][column_w] \leftarrow 0
6:
                                               \triangleright Remove bar from ass. diag. (n+x)-1
       else
7:
           (row_w, column_w) \leftarrow ((n+w-1) - g_w, (n+1-w) - g_w)
8:
           (row_x, column_x) \leftarrow ((n+x) - g_x, (n+1-x) - g_x + 1)
9:
           CL[row_x][column_x] \leftarrow 0
10:
           CL[row_w][column_w] \leftarrow 1
11:
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Theorem 5.1.1 NextLadderNK produces the next ladder in $L_{n+1,k}$ in O(1) time.

Theorem 5.1.2 From Walsh's paper, we know that we can attain the first and second pivot in O(1) time. We use these pivots, x and w, to calculate the row and column for the coordinates of the bar to add, and the coordinates of the bar to remove, in O(1) time.

We use NextLadderNK as a subroutine in Algorithm 5, termed ListLNK,

which lists $L_{n,k}$ in Gray code order. Let k be the number of bars. Let n be the number of lines in CL. Let g be initialized to the lexicographically largest composition; (k, 0, ..., 0). Let m be the bound on g. We note that g and m are of order n-1. Let CL be the canonical ladder data structure initialized as the lexicographically largest ladder. Let p1 and p2 be pivot one and pivot two respectively. Let increment be a Boolean set to **true** if p1 is to be incremented and p2 is to be decremented, else increment is set to **false**.

Algorithm 5 Algorithm for listing $L_{n,k}$

```
1: function ListLNK(g, m, CL, k)
2:
        Print(CL)
        increment \leftarrow \mathbf{true}
3:
        while g_1 < m_1 and g_1 < k - (g_2 + \cdots + g_{n-1}) do \triangleright while not at last g
4:
             (p1, p2) \leftarrow \text{Walsh}(g, m, \dots)
5:
             if (g_{p1+1}, +..., +g_{n-1}) is even then p1 \leftarrow p1 + 1, p2 \leftarrow p2 - 1
6:
             else p1 \leftarrow p1 - 1, p2 \leftarrow p2 + 1
7:
             if g_1 > m_1 or g_1 > k - (g_2 + \cdots + g_{n-1}) then
                                                                                    \triangleright surpassed last g
8:
                 g_1 \leftarrow g_1 - 1
9:
                 g_{p1} \leftarrow g_{p1} + 1
10:
                 return
11:
             if (g_{p1+1} + \cdots + g_{n-1}) is even then increment \leftarrow true
12:
             else: increment \leftarrow false
13:
             NEXTLADDERNK(p1, p2, CL, increment)
14:
             Print(CL)
15:
```

By applying Walsh's algorithm, which returns p1 and p2 in O(1) time, we produce $L_{n,k}$ in constant amortized time per ladder. We note that line 6 of the algorithm determines the parity of the suffix; Walsh demonstrates that the parity of the suffix can be determined in O(1) time by maintaining a number of auxiliary data structures [22].

5.2 Listing L_n Ordered by k Bars

In the previous section, we applied Walsh's Gray code for listing $L_{n,k}$. In this section, we further modify Walsh's Gray code to list L_n by way of listing $L_{n,0} ldots L_{n,k} ldots L_{n,\binom{n}{2}}$

in Gray code order. We list L_n by way of $L_{n,k}$ by first listing all ladders with exactly k bars before we list the first ladder with k+1 bars. In Figure 5.3 we show the listing of L_4 by listing $L_{4,0} \ldots L_{4,k} \ldots L_{4,6}$.

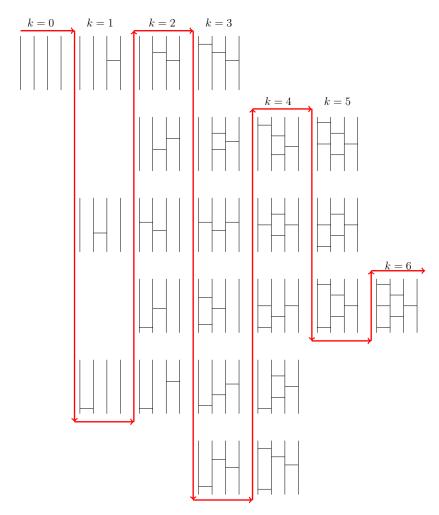


Figure 5.3: Listing of L_4 by k bars. For each k, successive ladders differ by the relocation of a bar. Transitioning from the last ladder in $L_{n,k}$ to the first ladder in $L_{n,k+1}$ requires the addition of a bar.

We previously defined the lexicographically largest ladder as the ladder such that the number of bars along the associated diagonal of x is the $min(m_{(n+1-x)+1}, k-1)$ the number of bars along the associated diagonals of $x+1, \ldots, n, n+1$ and the number of bars along the associated diagonal of any element less than x is less than or equal to the number of bars along the associated diagonal of x. We now define the ter-

minating ladder as follows. Let the first k-1 bars compose the sub-ladder along the associated diagonals from $3 \ldots x \ldots n$; this sub-ladder is the lexicographically largest sub-ladder. Bar k occupies the associated diagonal of 2. For an example of the terminating ladder for $L_{5,6}$, please refer to Figure 5.4. We describe the corresponding g, termed the terminating composition g, as $(k-1,0,\ldots,1)$.

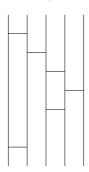


Figure 5.4: The terminating ladder for $L_{5,6}$

In order to list L_n by way of $L_{n,k}$, we use Walsh's Gray code on composition g when k is odd. When k is odd we start at the lexicographically largest g and end at the terminating g. Therefore, our description of listing $L_{n,k}$ by way of g in the previous section still holds for odd values of k. However, when k is even we start with the terminating g and we have to work backwards so to speak, ending at the lexicographically largest g. We could apply Walsh's algorithm to even instances of k and then visit the listing in reverse order. However, doing so is slow and takes up unnecessary space. Hence, we want to provide a CAT algorithm for listing g in the reverse of Walsh's ordering. We provide Conjecture 5.2.1 which describes the process that could allow for the algorithmic implementation of the reverse ordering of Walsh's Gray code in CAT.

Conjecture 5.2.1 The reverse of Walsh's Gray code can be generated in constant amortized time. When listing g in reverse order we start from g_2 , scan left to right until there exists a g_x where if $(g_{x+1}, + \cdots +, g_n)$ is odd and there exists some minimum $1 \le w \le x - 1$ such that g_w that is not at its minimum value then increment g_x and decrement g_w . If $(g_{x+1}+\cdots+g_n)$ is even and there exists some minimum $1 \le w \le x - 1$

such that g_w is not at its maximum value, decrement g_x and increment g_w .

Assuming Conjecture 5.2.1 is true, by starting with the terminating composition of g and ending at the lexicographically largest composition of g, we can implement the reverse of Walsh's algorithm for listing g in reverse ordering with O(1) time per instance of g. We refer to this hypothetical algorithm as REVERSEWALSH. In Figure 5.5, we apply Conjecture 5.2.1 to provide the Gray code for the composition g on $S_{5,4}$ in REVERSEWALSH order. We also give the Gray code for the permutations when we map g to the associated diagonals of the canonical ladder. We start with the terminating composition of g and the permutation corresponding to the terminating ladder. We end at the lexicographically largest composition and the permutation corresponding to the lexicographically largest canonical ladder. The pivots, g and g are bolded; the pivots bolded in composition g indicate which two values in composition g will be incremented and decremented in order to transition to composition g. Recall, that the first pivot g is greater than the second pivot g.

Composition	Permutation
(3, 0, 0, 1)	(2,5,1,3,4)
(2, 1, 0, 1)	(2,1,5,4,3)
(1 , 2 , 0, 1)	(2,4,1,5,3)
(0, 3 , 0 , 1)	(4, 2, 1, 3, 5)
(0 , 2 , 1, 1)	(2,4,3,1,5)
$({f 1},{f 1},1,1)$	(2, 3, 4, 5, 1)
(2,0,1,1)	(2,3,5,1,4)
$({f 1},0,{f 2},1)$	(3, 2, 1, 5, 4)
(0, 1 , 2, 1)	(3, 2, 4, 1, 5)
(0 , 2 , 2, 0)	(3,4,1,2,5)
$({f 1},{f 1},2,0)$	(3, 1, 4, 5, 2)
(2, 0, 2, 0)	(3, 1, 5, 2, 4)
(3, 0, 1, 0)	(1, 5, 3, 2, 4)
(2, 1, 1, 0)	(1, 3, 5, 4, 2)
(1 , 2 , 1, 0)	(1,4,3,5,2)
(0 , 3, 1 , 0)	(4, 1, 3, 2, 5)
(1 , 3 , 0, 0)	(4, 1, 2, 5, 3)
(2, 2, 0, 0)	(1,4,5,2,3)
(3, 1, 0, 0)	(1, 5, 2, 4, 3)
(4,0,0,0)	(5, 1, 2, 3, 4)

Figure 5.5: Ordering of g based on Conjecture 5.2.1 and the ordering of permutations corresponding to $L_{5,4}$ when g is mapped to the associated diagonals.

We use ReverseWalsh to create Algorithm 6, termed ListLNKReverse to provide a reverse listing of all ladders of order n with k bars in Gray code order. Let k be the number of bars, initialized to 0. Let n be the number of lines in CL. Let g be initialized to $(0, \ldots, 0)$. Let m be the bound on g. We note that g and m are of order n-1. Let CL be the canonical ladder data structure initialized as the lexicographically largest ladder. Let g and g be pivot one and pivot two respectively returned by ReverseWalsh. Let g and g be a Boolean set to g is to be incremented and g is to be decremented, else g increment is set to g is to g and g is to be decremented, else g increment is set to g is to g.

Algorithm 6 Algorithm for listing Ln, k starting from the terminating ladder and ending at the lexicographically largest ladder.

```
1: function ListLNKReverse(g, m, CL, k)
        Print(CL)
2:
        increment \leftarrow \mathbf{true}
3:
        while g_1 < m_1 and g_1 < k - (g_2 + \cdots + g_{n-1}) do
4:
             (p1, p2) \leftarrow \text{ReverseWalsh}(g, m, \dots)
5:
             if (g_{p1+1}, +..., +g_{n-1}) is odd then p1 \leftarrow p1 + 1, p2 \leftarrow p2 - 1
6:
             else p1 \leftarrow p1 - 1, p2 \leftarrow p2 + 1
7:
            if g_1 > m_1 or g_1 > k - (g_2 + \cdots + g_{n-1}) then
8:
                 g_1 \leftarrow g_1 - 1
9:
                 g_2 \leftarrow g2_{+1}
10:
                 return
11:
             if (g_{p1+1}, +\ldots, +g_{n-1}) is odd then increment \leftarrow true
12:
             else: increment \leftarrow false
13:
             NEXTLADDERNK(p1, p2, CL, increment)
14:
             Print(CL)
15:
```

Assuming Conjecture 5.2.1 is true, we would be able to list $L_{n,k}$ in constant amortized time in the reverse ordering of Walsh's Gray code order.

When we list L_n , if k is odd, the first ladder listed in $L_{n,k}$ is the lexicographically largest ladder and the last ladder listed is the terminating ladder. If k is even, the first ladder listed in $L_{n,k}$ is the terminating ladder and the last ladder listed is the lexicographically largest ladder. When listing L_n , we use the terminating ladder and the lexicographically largest ladder as the transitioning ladders between $L_{n,k}$ and $L_{n,k+1}$. When we reach the last ladder in $L_{n,k}$, we add a bar to said ladder and

transition to the first ladder of $L_{n,k+1}$. We refer to this bar as the incrementing bar. To calculate the coordinates of the incrementing bar when transitioning from $L_{n,k}$ to $L_{n,k+1}$, we scan g from left to right to find the smallest x value such that g_x is not at its maximum value. We then use the same formula for adding a bar found in Equation 5.1, except we replace n with n-1 seeing as g is of order n-1 when mapping to canonical ladders with n lines. If the last ladder of $L_{n,k}$ is a terminating ladder, when we add the incrementing bar, the first ladder of $L_{n,k+1}$ is also a terminating ladder. If the last ladder of $L_{n,k}$ is a lexicographically largest ladder, when we add the incrementing bar, the first ladder of $L_{n,k+1}$ is also a lexicographically largest ladder.

To transition from $L_{n,k}$ to $L_{n,k+1}$ we want to add the incrementing bar to the largest associated diagonal that has room for one more bar. We know that by mapping g to the associated diagonals, we can use m to determine the largest associated diagonal that has room for one more bar. Based on our mapping of g to the associated diagonals, the smallest x value in g not at its m_x value corresponds to the largest associated diagonal where we can add bar k+1. Let MinX be a global variable that keeps track of the smallest x value in g that is not at its m_x value. When we list g for $L_{n,k}$, we update MinX with every transition from g^i to g^{i+1} using Algorithm 7. Let g be pivot one returned by Walsh's Gray code, let g be pivot two returned by Walsh's Gray code, let g be the current composition, let g be the upper bound on g, and let g be the current smallest g value such that g is not at its g bound. With

Algorithm 7 Algorithm for updating the minimum x value such that $g_x < m_x$

```
1: function UPDATEMINX(p1, p2, g, m)
       if p1 < MinX and g_{p1} < Min(m_{p1}, k - (g_{p1+1} + \cdots + g_{n-1})) then
2:
           MinX \leftarrow p1
3:
       if p2 < MinX and g_{p2} < Min(m_{p2}, k - (g_{p1+1} + \cdots + g_{n-1})) then
4:
           MinX \leftarrow p2
5:
       if g_{MinX} = MIN(m_{MinX}, k - (g_{p1+1} + \cdots + g_{n-1})) then
6:
           if MinX! = p1 then
7:
                MinX \leftarrow p1 return
8:
           if MinX! = p2 then
9:
                MinX \leftarrow p2 return
10:
```

UPDATEMINX, we are able to determine the row and column of the incrementing bar in O(1) time. Due to the ordering of the algorithms and concepts in this chapter, our pseudocode for LISTLNK and LISTLNKREVERSE does not contain a function call to UPDATEMINX. However, when listing L_n we would call UPDATEMINX at the end of the while loops found in LISTLNK and LISTLNKREVERSE to ensure that we have the correct MinX value. When LISTLNK or LISTLNKREVERSE terminate, the last value of MinX is the value corresponding to the largest associated diagonal with room for one more bar. In Lemma 5.2.2 we prove that UPDATEMINX updates MinX with the minimum x value.

Lemma 5.2.2 UPDATEMINX updates MinX with the minimum x value such that g_x is not at its max value m_x

Proof. Each call to UPDATEMINX either updates MinX with p1 or p2, or leaves MinX at its current value. When k=0 MinX=1. For each subsequent k value, if MinX is at its m_x value, then MinX=p1 or MinX=p2 seeing as in the previous instance of g, g_{MinX} was not at its m_{MinX} value, for if it were, then the MinX value would have been updated in the previous call to UPDATEMINX. Therefore, if g_{MinX} is at its m_{MinX} value, g_{MinX} has been incremented in the current instance of g. Seeing as p1 and p2 are the two pivots, then g_{p1} and g_{p2} have been updated in the current instance of g. If g_{p1} has been incremented, then MinX equals p1. If g_{p2} has been

incremented, then MinX equals p2. We replace g_{MinX} with p1 if $g_{MinX} = m_{MinX}$ and MinX does not equal p1, or we replace MinX with p2 if $g_{MinX} = m_{MinX}$ and MinX does not equal p2. If MinX is not at its m_{MinX} value, we replace MinX with p1 only if g_{p1} is not at its m_{p1} value and p1 < MinX. The same goes for p2. Thus, MinX is always equal to the smallest x value such that g_{MinX} is not at its m_x value.

In Algorithm 8, termed LISTLNBYKBARS, we use the mapping of g to the canonical ladder, LISTLNK, LISTLNKREVERSE, and UPDATEMINX as subroutines for listing L_n in Gray code order. We do so by listing $L_{n,0} \dots L_{n,k} \dots L_{n,\binom{n}{2}}$. Let k be initialized to 0; when k is even we call LISTLNKREVERSE and when k is odd we call LISTLNK. Let g be of order n-1 and initialized to $(0,0,\ldots,0)$. Let m be the bound on g initialized to $(n-1,n-2,\ldots,1)$. Let CL be initialized to the canonical ladder corresponding the ascending permutation; i.e. the ladder with zero bars. Let MinX be initialized to 1. Figure 5.3 shows the listing of L_n produced by LISTLNBYKBARS.

```
Algorithm 8 Algorithm to list L_n by [0 \dots k \dots {n \choose 2}] bars
 1: function ListLnByKBars(g, m, k, CL, MinX)
 2:
       if k = 0 then
           Print(CL)
 3:
           LISTLNBYKBARS(g, m, k+1, CL, MinX)
 4:
       if k > \binom{n}{2} then return
 5:
       g_{MinX} \leftarrow g_{MinX} + 1
 6:
       (r1,c1) \leftarrow (((n-1)+MinX-1) - g(MinX), ((n-1)+1-MinX) - g(MinX))
 7:
 8:
       CL|r1||c1| \leftarrow 1
       if k is even and k > 0 then MinX \leftarrow ListLNKReverse(g, m, CL, k)
 9:
       else MinX \leftarrow ListLNK(g, m, CL, k)
10:
       LISTLNBYKBARS(g, m, k+1, CL, MinX)
11:
```

If k is odd, we list Ln, k in accordance with Walsh's ordering of g and if k is even we list $L_{n,k}$ in the reverse ordering of Walsh's Gray code. When we call LISTLNK and LISTLNKREVERSE as subroutines, we ensure that UPDATEMINX is called as a

subroutine in these functions. By doing so, Minx is the smallest x value not at its m_x value. With the correct value for MinX, we add a bar to the largest associated diagonal with room for the incrementing bar. We know that the maximum number of bars is $\binom{n}{2}$, therefore we terminate recursion when k exceeds $\binom{n}{2}$. LISTLNBYKBARS lists L_n in constant amortized time and in Gray code order.

Lemma 5.2.3 Each ladder produced by LISTLNBYKBARS is unique.

Proof. Walsh's Gray code lists all unique instances of g when k is odd. Each instance of g corresponds to a unique ladder due to our mapping to the associated diagonals. We assume that ReverseWalsh produces the reverse ordering of Walsh's Gray code when applied to even values of k, making all ladders for even values of k unique. When we transition from k to k+1 we add a bar, making the last ladder of k and the first ladder of k+1 unique.

5.3 Chapter Conclusion

We have provided a theoretical algorithm for listing L_n in Gray code order by $L_{n,k}$. Furthermore, we would be able to do so in constant amortized time. We have provided a second solution to The Canonical Ladder Listing Problem. What makes this solution interesting is that we list L_n ordered by the number of bars. Our future work is as follows:

- 1. Implement Walsh's loop free algorithm
- 2. Prove Conjecture 5.2.1
- 3. Design and implement ReverseWalsh

Chapter 6

Summary and Future Work

In summary, we have defined the canonical ladder, designed a representation of the canonical ladder along with equations to calculate the coordinates of the bars in the representation, implemented an algorithm to create the canonical ladder, implemented a constant amortized algorithm to list L_n in Gray code order by adding or removing a bar, designed a constant amortized algorithm to list $L_{n,k}$ in Gray code order, and designed a constant amortized algorithm to list L_n by listing $L_{n,0} \ldots L_{n,k} \ldots L_{n,\binom{n}{2}}$. The algorithms can be used to list sorting network arrangements that correspond to the canonical ladders.

We are left with the following open problems:

- 1. Proving Conjecture 5.2.1
- 2. Design and implement ReverseWalsh
- 3. Implementing ListLnkreverse, assuming we can implement ReverseWalsh
- 4. Implement ListLnByKBars, assuming we can implement ListLnKReverse.
- 5. Continuing to work on the counting problem for the number of ladders in $OptL\{\pi\}$, specifically when $\pi=(n,n-1,\ldots,2,1)$.

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Appendix A

Appendix

A.1 Table of $OptL\{\pi\}$ for all π of Order 5

Table A.1: Table with all 5! permutations and the corresponding size of each permutation's $OptL\{\pi\}$ ordered by k inversions

Permutation	Number	k	$ OptL\{\pi\} $
1 2 3 4 5	1	0	1
1 2 3 5 4	2	1	1
1 2 4 3 5	3	1	1
1 3 2 4 5	4	1	1
2 1 3 4 5	5	1	1
1 2 4 5 3	6	2	1
1 2 5 3 4	7	2	1
1 3 2 5 4	8	2	1
2 1 3 5 4	9	2	1
1 3 4 2 5	10	2	1
1 4 2 3 5	11	2	1
2 1 4 3 5	12	2	1
2 3 1 4 5	13	2	1
3 1 2 4 5	14	2	1
1 3 4 5 2	15	3	1

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Permutation	Number	k	$ OptL\{\pi\} $
1 4 2 5 3	16	3	1
2 1 4 5 3	17	3	1
1 3 5 2 4	18	3	1
1 5 2 3 4	19	3	1
2 1 5 3 4	20	3	1
2 3 1 5 4	21	3	1
3 1 2 5 4	22	3	1
2 3 4 1 5	23	3	1
3 1 4 2 5	24	3	1
2 4 1 3 5	25	3	1
4 1 2 3 5	26	3	1
1 4 3 2 5	27	3	2
1 2 5 4 3	28	3	2
3 2 1 4 5	29	3	2
2 3 4 5 1	30	4	1
3 1 4 5 2	31	4	1
1 4 5 2 3	32	4	1
2 4 1 5 3	33	4	1
4 1 2 5 3	34	4	1
2 3 5 1 4	35	4	1
3 1 5 2 4	36	4	1
2 5 1 3 4	37	4	1
5 1 2 3 4	38	4	1
1 3 5 4 2	39	4	2
1 4 3 5 2	40	4	2

 ${\bf Table~A.1}-{\it Continued~from~previous~page}$

Permutation	Number	k	$ OptL\{\pi\} $
1 5 2 4 3	41	4	2
2 1 5 4 3	42	4	2
15324	43	4	2
3 2 1 5 4	44	4	2
2 4 3 1 5	45	4	2
3 2 4 1 5	46	4	2
4 1 3 2 5	47	4	2
4 2 1 3 5	48	4	2
2 4 5 1 3	49	5	1
4 1 5 2 3	50	5	1
3 5 1 2 4	51	5	1
2 3 5 4 1	52	5	2
2 4 3 5 1	53	5	2
3 2 4 5 1	54	5	2
3 1 5 4 2	55	5	2
4 1 3 5 2	56	5	2
2 5 1 4 3	57	5	2
5 1 2 4 3	58	5	2
4 2 1 5 3	59	5	2
2 5 3 1 4	60	5	2
3 2 5 1 4	61	5	2
5 1 3 2 4	62	5	2
5 2 1 3 4	63	5	2
15423	64	5	3
3 4 2 1 5	65	5	3

 ${\bf Table~A.1}-{\it Continued~from~previous~page}$

Permutation	Number	k	$ OptL\{\pi\} $
4 2 3 1 5	66	5	3
4 3 1 2 5	67	5	3
1 4 5 3 2	68	5	3
15342	69	5	3
3 4 5 1 2	70	6	1
4 5 1 2 3	71	6	1
4 2 5 1 3	72	6	2
3 5 1 4 2	73	6	2
2 4 5 3 1	74	6	3
2 5 3 4 1	75	6	3
3 4 2 5 1	76	6	3
4 2 3 5 1	77	6	3
3 5 2 1 4	78	6	3
5 2 3 1 4	79	6	3
5 3 1 2 4	80	6	3
4 1 5 3 2	81	6	3
5 1 3 4 2	82	6	3
4 3 1 5 2	83	6	3
2 5 4 1 3	84	6	3
5 1 4 2 3	85	6	3
5 2 1 4 3	86	6	4
15432	87	6	8
4 3 2 1 5	88	6	8
3 5 4 1 2	89	7	3
4 3 5 1 2	90	7	3

 ${\bf Table~A.1}-{\it Continued~from~previous~page}$

Permutation	Number	k	$ OptL\{\pi\} $
4 5 1 3 2	91	7	3
4 5 2 1 3	92	7	3
3 4 5 2 1	93	7	4
5 2 3 4 1	94	7	4
5 4 1 2 3	95	7	4
5 3 1 4 2	96	7	5
5 2 4 1 3	97	7	5
4 2 5 3 1	98	7	5
3 5 2 4 1	99	7	5
2 5 4 3 1	100	7	8
4 3 2 5 1	101	7	8
5 1 4 3 2	102	7	8
5 3 2 1 4	103	7	8
4 5 2 3 1	104	8	6
4 5 3 1 2	105	8	6
5 3 4 1 2	106	8	6
3 5 4 2 1	107	8	11
4 3 5 2 1	108	8	11
5 2 4 3 1	109	8	11
5 3 2 4 1	110	8	11
5 4 1 3 2	111	8	11
5 4 2 1 3	112	8	11
4 5 3 2 1	113	9	20
5 3 4 2 1	114	9	20
5 4 2 3 1	115	9	20

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Permutation	Number	k	$ OptL\{\pi\} $
5 4 3 1 2	116	9	20
5 4 3 2 1	120	10	62

A.2 Code for CreateCanonical

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
//ladder data structure
typedef struct ladder
    int** ladder;
    int numRows;
   int numCols:
    int numBars;
} Ladder;
//initialize the ladder
Ladder* initLadder(int n);
//returns the coordinates of the bar or absence of a bar formed between x and y
int* GetCoordinates(int n, int x, int posX, int posY);
//creates a copy of a permutation
int* copyPerm(int* og, int start, int end);
//creates a copy of og permutation minus the element at index
int* removeElement(int* og, int index, int n);
//creates the canonical ladder
void CreateCanonical(Ladder* 1, int* pi, int n);
//prints the ladder
void printLadder(Ladder *1);
//initializes the ladder data structure
//n is the length of a permutation
Ladder* initLadder(int n)
        Ladder* 1 = calloc(1, sizeof(Ladder));
        int nCols = n-1;
        int nRows = 2*(n-1) - 1;
        int nBars = 0;
       1->ladder = calloc(nRows, sizeof(int*));
        for(int i = 0; i < nRows; i++)l->ladder[i] = calloc(nCols, sizeof(int));
       1->numRows = nRows;
        1->numCols = nCols;
        1->numBars = nBars;
        return 1;
}//end function
/**
        Returns the coordinates corresponding to a bar or absence of a bar
        formed between elements x and y which lies on the associated diagonal of 'x'.
        Parameter conditions: n is the size of a permutation, x is the element whose
        diagonal we are populating, posX is the position of x in pi, posY is the
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position of 'y' in pi. posX != posY and x > y
        Post conditions: The (row, column) coordinates of the bar
        or absence of a bar corresponding to the two elements x and y
int* GetCoordinates(int n, int x, int posX, int posY){
        int* coordinates = calloc(2, sizeof(int));
        //if x is to the right of y, then they form the absence of an inversion. Use
        //equation 3.1.1 from Equation 3.1
        if(posX > posY){
                 int row = (2*n - x - 1) - (x - posY) + 1;
                int col = (x - 1) - (x - posY) + 1;
                coordinates[0] = row ;
                coordinates[1] = col;
        }//end If
        //else if posX is < posY, then they form an inversion.
        //Use equation 3.1.2 from Equation 3.1
        else{
                int row = (2*n - x - 1) - (x - posY);
                int col = (x - 1) - (x - posY);
                coordinates[0] = row;
                coordinates[1] = col;
        }//end else
        return coordinates;
}//end function
//creates a copy of a permutation from a start index to an end index
int* copyPerm(int* og, int start, int end){
        int size = (end - start);
        int* copy = calloc(size, sizeof(int));
        for(int i = start; i < end; i++){</pre>
                copy[i - start] = og[i];
        }
        return copy;
}
int* removeElement(int* og, int index, int n){
        int* leftPart = copyPerm(og, 0, index);
        int* rightPart = copyPerm(og, index+1, n);
        int size = n-1;
        int* newPerm = calloc(n-1, sizeof(int));
        for(int i = 0; i < index; i++)newPerm[i] = leftPart[i];</pre>
        for(int i = 0; i < n-index-1; i++)newPerm[index+i] = rightPart[i];</pre>
        free(leftPart);
        free(rightPart);
        return newPerm;
}
Sets ladder l to the Canical ladder.
```

```
Parameter conditions: l is created using initLadder, pi is a permutation of order n
Post conditions: l is set to the canonical ladder corresponding to pi
void CreateCanonical(Ladder* 1, int* pi, int n)
        int x = n;
        int* pi2 = copyPerm(pi, 0, n);
        //from element x=n down to element x=2
        while(x > 1)
        {
                int index = -1;
                //get the index of element 'x' in pi
                for(int i = 0; i < x; i++){
                        if(pi2[i] == x){
                                 index = i;
                                 break;
                        }//end if
                }//end for
                //populate the associated diagonal of x with 1s and 0s.
                for(int i = 0; i < x; i++){
                        if(i != index){
                                 int* coordinates = GetCoordinates(n, x, index, i);
                                 int row = coordinates[0];
                                 int col = coordinates[1];
                                 if(i < index){</pre>
                    1->ladder[row][col] = 0;
                                 }else{
                    1->ladder[row][col] = 1;
                                         1->numBars++;
                        }
                }//end for
                pi2 = removeElement(pi2, index, x);
        }//end while
}
void printLadder(Ladder *1)
    int n = 1->numCols + 1;
    int offset = 2*(n-1) - 1;
    printf("\n\n");
    for (int i = 0; i < offset; i++)</pre>
        for (int j = 0; j < 1->numCols; j++)
            printf("|");
            if (1->ladder[i][j] == 1)
                printf("----");
            else
                printf("
                              ");
        printf("|");
        printf("\n");
```

```
}

//main for testing
int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
    //testing permutation
    int pi[] = {4,1,7,2,3,6,5};
    int n = 7;
    Ladder* 1 = initLadder(n);
    CreateCanonical(1, pi, n);
    printLadder(1);
}
```

A.3 Code for ModifiedSJT

```
//Gets the coordinates of the row and coulumn for {\tt ModifiedSJT}
int* GetCoordinatesTwo(int* rX, int n, int x, int posX, int posY);
//modified SJT algorithm for listing Ln
void ModifiedSJT(Ladder* 1, int x, int n, bool* direction, int* rX);
//used in ModifiedSJT to return the location of a 1 or 0 indicating the addition or
//removal of a bar between two adjacent elements, x>y
int* GetCoordinatesTwo(int* rX, int n, int x, int posX, int posY)
        int* coordinates = calloc(2, sizeof(int));
        //if posX is to the right of posY then x and y are currently
        //uninverted and will be inverted. Therefore, we add a bar
        //along the associated diagonal of 'x'
        if(posX == posY + 1)
        {
                coordinates[0] = (2*n - x - 1) - (*rX)-1;
                coordinates[1] = (x-1) - (*rX)-1;
                (*rX)++;
        //else if x is to the left of y by 1 position, then x and y
        //are currently inverted and will become uninverted. Therefore,
        //we remove a bar along the associated diagnoal of 'x'
        else if(posX == posY - 1)
        {
                coordinates[0] = (2*n - x) - (*rX)-1;
                coordinates[1] = x - (*rX)-1;
                (*rX)--;
        //else error occured
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```
else
        {
                printf("Error occurred\n");
                exit(0);
        }
        return coordinates;
}
/**
Modify the SJT algorithm to list Ln by adding or removing a bar
void ModifiedSJT(Ladder* 1, int x, int n, bool* direction, int* rX)
{
        if(x > n)
        {
                if(1->numBars == 0)printLadder(1);
                return;
        for(int i = 0; i < x; i++)
                if(i == 0)ModifiedSJT(1, x+1, n, direction, rX);
                else
                         //adding to the associated diagonal of x
                        if(direction[x-1] == false)
                         {
                                 int* coordinates = GetCoordinatesTwo(&(rX[x-1]), n, x, 1, 0);
                                 //subtract 1 for 0 index
                                 int row = coordinates[0];
                                 int column = coordinates[1];
                                 1->ladder[row] [column] = 1;
                                 1->numBars++;
                         //removing a bar from the associated diagonal of x
                         else{
                                 int* coordinates = GetCoordinatesTwo(&(rX[x-1]), n, x, 0, 1);
                                 int row = coordinates[0];
                                 int column = coordinates[1];
                                 1->ladder[row][column] = 0;
                                 1->numBars--;
                        printLadder(1);
                        ModifiedSJT(1, x+1, n, direction, rX);
                }
        direction[x-1] = !(direction[x-1]);
}
```