

# Maximal 0-1-fillings of moon polyominoes with restricted chain lengths and rc-graphs

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# Abstract

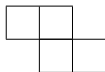
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with longest north-east chain having length  $k$   
(eg.,  $k$ -triangulations,  $k$ -noncrossing partitions)

can be identified with

an interval in the poset generated by chute moves of  
rc-graphs (also known as pipe dreams)  
associated with a certain permutation  $\omega(M, k)$

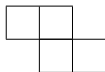
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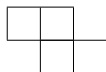
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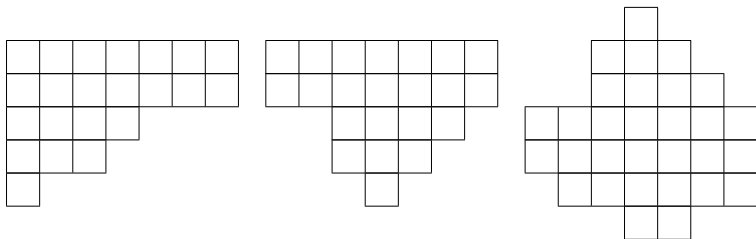
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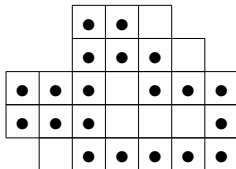
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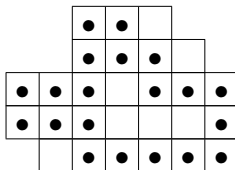
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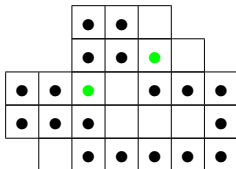
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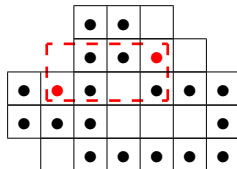


A **north-east chain** is a sequence of non-empty cells such that

- ▶ each entry is **strictly north-east** of its predecessor and
- ▶ the smallest rectangle containing all of them is **completely contained** in the polyomino.



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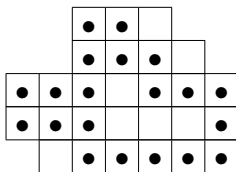


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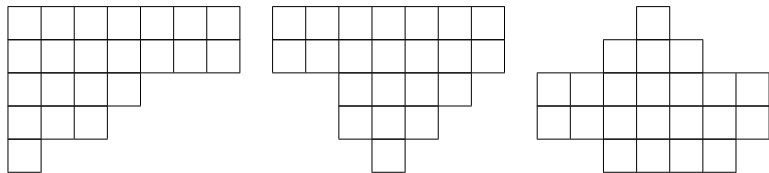
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### Corollary



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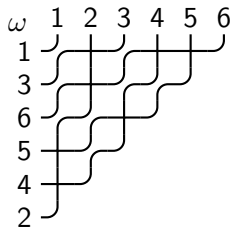
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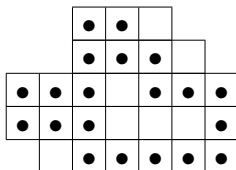
- ▶ elbow joints ( $\curvearrowright$ ) and
- ▶ a finite number of **crosses** ( $+$ ), such that
- ▶ a pipe entering from above in column  $i$  exits left in row  $\omega^{-1}(i)$

If every pair of pipes crosses at most once the pipe dream is **reduced** (or an **rc-graph**, 'reduced word compatible sequence graph').



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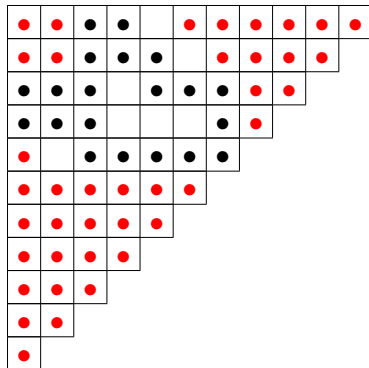
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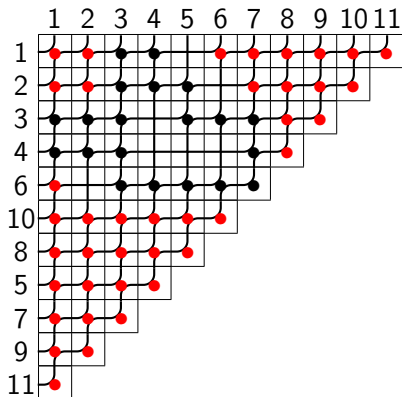
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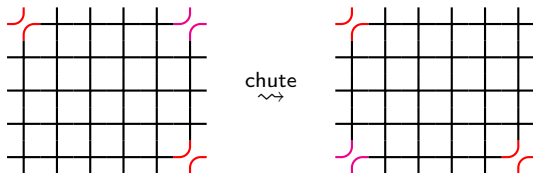
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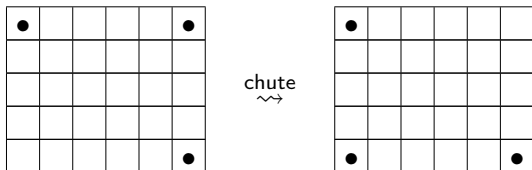
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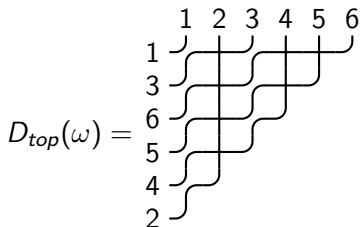
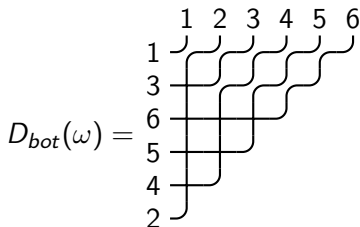
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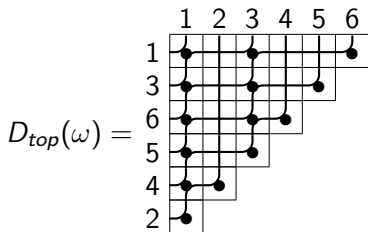
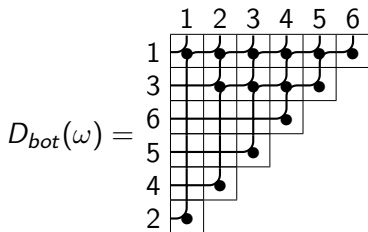
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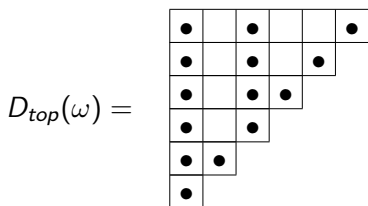
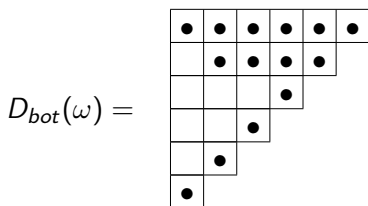
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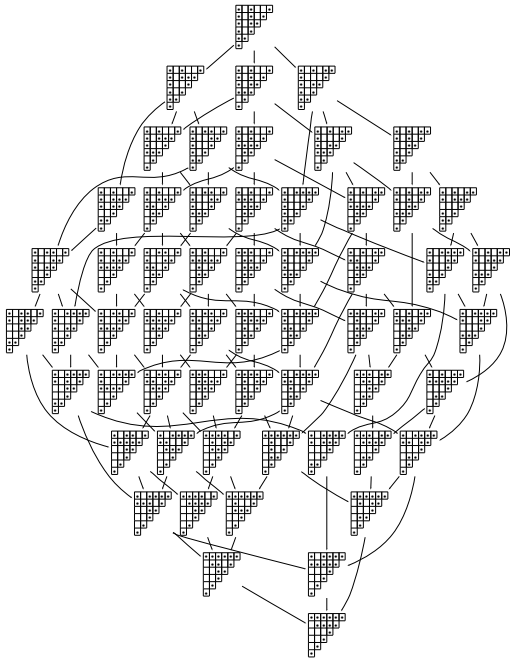
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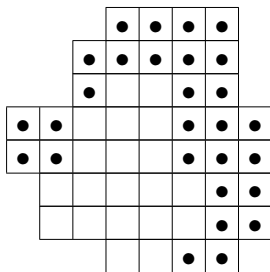




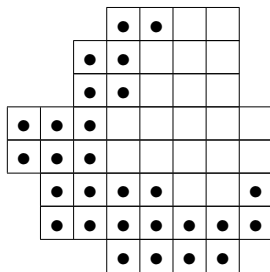
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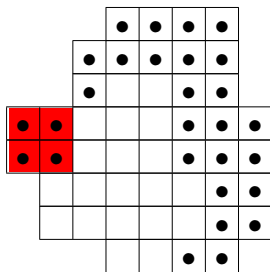


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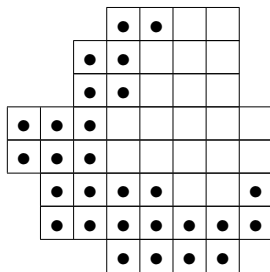
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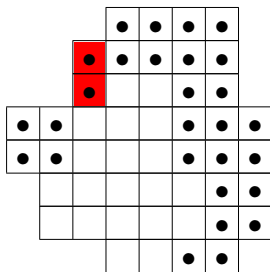


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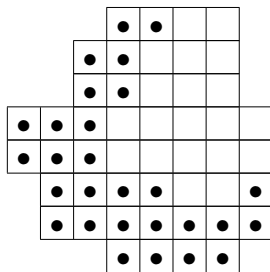
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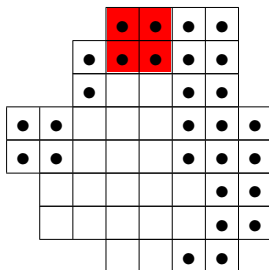


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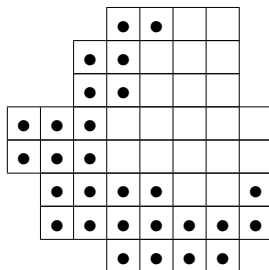
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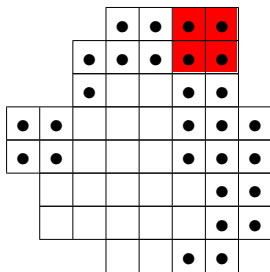
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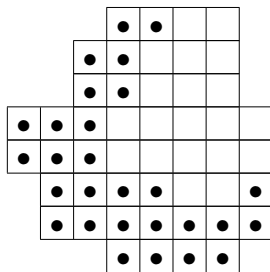
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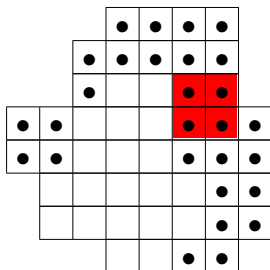


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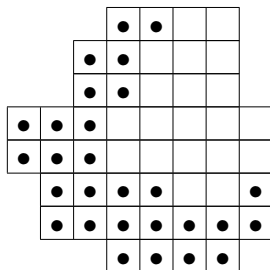
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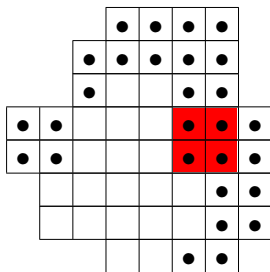


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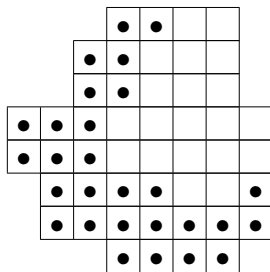
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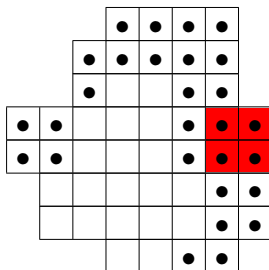


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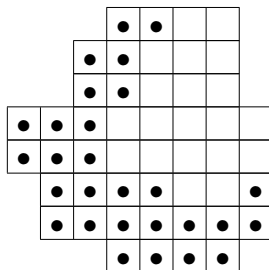
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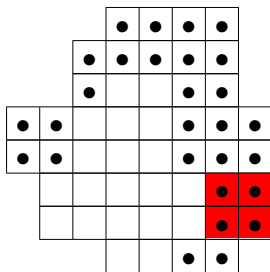


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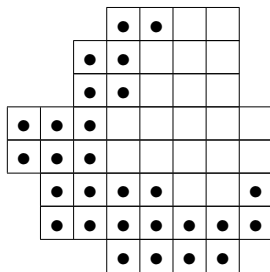
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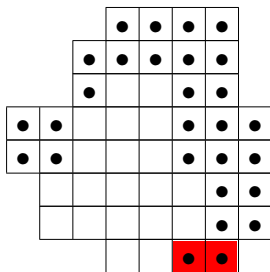


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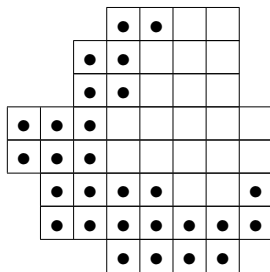
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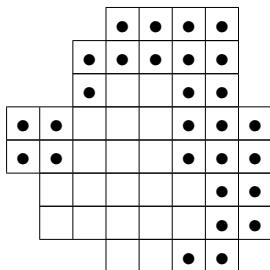


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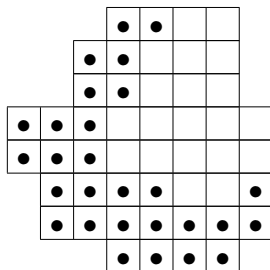
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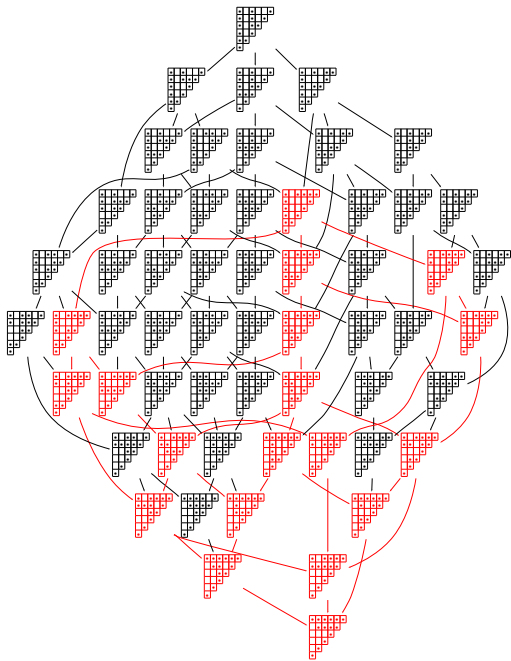


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Proof.

Show that  $D_{top}(M, 2)$  is the only filling that does not admit a generalised chute move. Details are tricky.







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## Proof.

Follow Woo (2004) and Serrano and Stump (2010):

- ▶ Notice that the permutation  $\omega$  associated with a stack polyomino (indeed: any moon polyomino) is vexillary.
- ▶ Apply the Edelman-Greene correspondence to the reduced factorisation of  $\omega$  given by an rc-graph associated with a filling to obtain a pair of tableaux  $(P, Q)$ .
- ▶ The  $P$ -tableau determines the shape of the stack polyomino, and is independent of the filling, the  $Q$ -tableau determines the filling.

## Open problems

- ▶ Prove the lattice property – does it have consequences?
- ▶ Find bijective proof of invariance for moon polyominoes.
- ▶ Generalise to non-maximal fillings.
- ▶ Find rc-graphs for other Dynkin types.