

**LATTICE QUOTIENTS AND QUOTIENTOPEs**  
**FOR SOME GENERALIZATIONS OF THE WEAK ORDER**  
**PROBLEM SESSION 3: S-WEAK ORDER**

**Exercise 1.** For a  $n$ -tuple  $\mathbf{s}$  of non-negative integers, an  $\mathbf{s}$ -tree is a plane tree where node  $i$  has  $s_i + 1$  children which are either leaves or nodes  $j > i$ .

- (1) Give a product formula for the number of  $\mathbf{s}$ -trees.
- (2) Show that the  $\mathbf{s}$ -trees are also counted by

$$\sum_{\mathbf{j}} \prod_{i \in [n-1]} \binom{s_i + 1}{j_i} \left(1 - i + \sum_{k \in [i]} j_k\right),$$

where the first sum ranges over all  $\mathbf{j} := (j_1, \dots, j_{n-1})$  with  $j_i \geq 0$  and  $j_1 + \dots + j_i \geq i$  for all  $i \in [n-1]$ , and  $j_1 + \dots + j_{n-1} = n-1$ . (These are called Lidskii type formulas, see the course of Martha Yip, and the paper *Realizing the  $\mathbf{s}$ -permutahedron via flow polytopes* by Rafael González D'León, Alejandro Morales, Eva Philippe, Daniel Tamayo Jiménez, and Martha Yip.)

**Exercise 2.** Assume that  $\mathbf{s}$  is a strict composition, that is,  $s_j \neq 0$  for all  $j \in [n]$ . Describe a bijection between the  $\mathbf{s}$ -trees and the permutations of  $1^{s_1} 2^{s_2} \dots n^{s_n}$  avoiding the pattern 212.

**Exercise 3.** Consider the insertion algorithm in  $\mathbf{s}$ -bushes described in the course (see Figure 1).

- (1) Show that the closure  $\bar{\mathbb{F}}_{\mathbb{B}}$  of the fiber of an  $\mathbf{s}$ -bush  $\mathbb{B}$  is a polyhedron.
- (2) Show that the equations defining the affine span of  $\bar{\mathbb{F}}_{\mathbb{B}}$  correspond to the holes of  $\mathbb{B}$ , that is, the pairs  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  of nodes of  $\mathbb{B}$  such that  $j$  has two incoming edges with greatest common ancestor  $i$
- (3) For an  $\mathbf{s}$ -tree  $\mathbb{T}$ , show that the upper (resp. lower) facets of  $\bar{\mathbb{F}}_{\mathbb{T}}$  (in the usual direction  $\boldsymbol{\omega} := (n, \dots, 1) - (1, \dots, n)$ ) correspond to the ascents (resp. descents) of  $\mathbb{T}$ , that is, the pairs  $1 \leq i \leq j$  such that
  - $i$  is the greatest ancestor of  $j$  such that the increasing path from  $i$  to  $j$  in  $\mathbb{T}$  takes the leftmost (resp. rightmost) outgoing edge at each node, except at node  $i$ ,
  - either  $s_j = 0$  or the leftmost (resp. rightmost) edge of  $j$  is a leaf.

(Note that there is also a similar description of the upper and lower facets of  $\bar{\mathbb{F}}_{\mathbb{B}}$  for any  $\mathbf{s}$ -bush  $\mathbb{B}$ , but it is more complicated.)

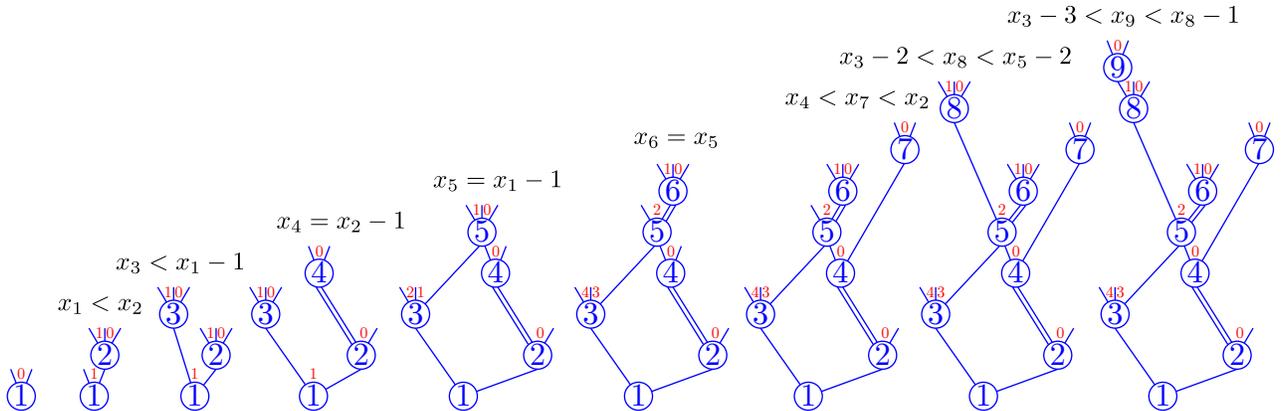
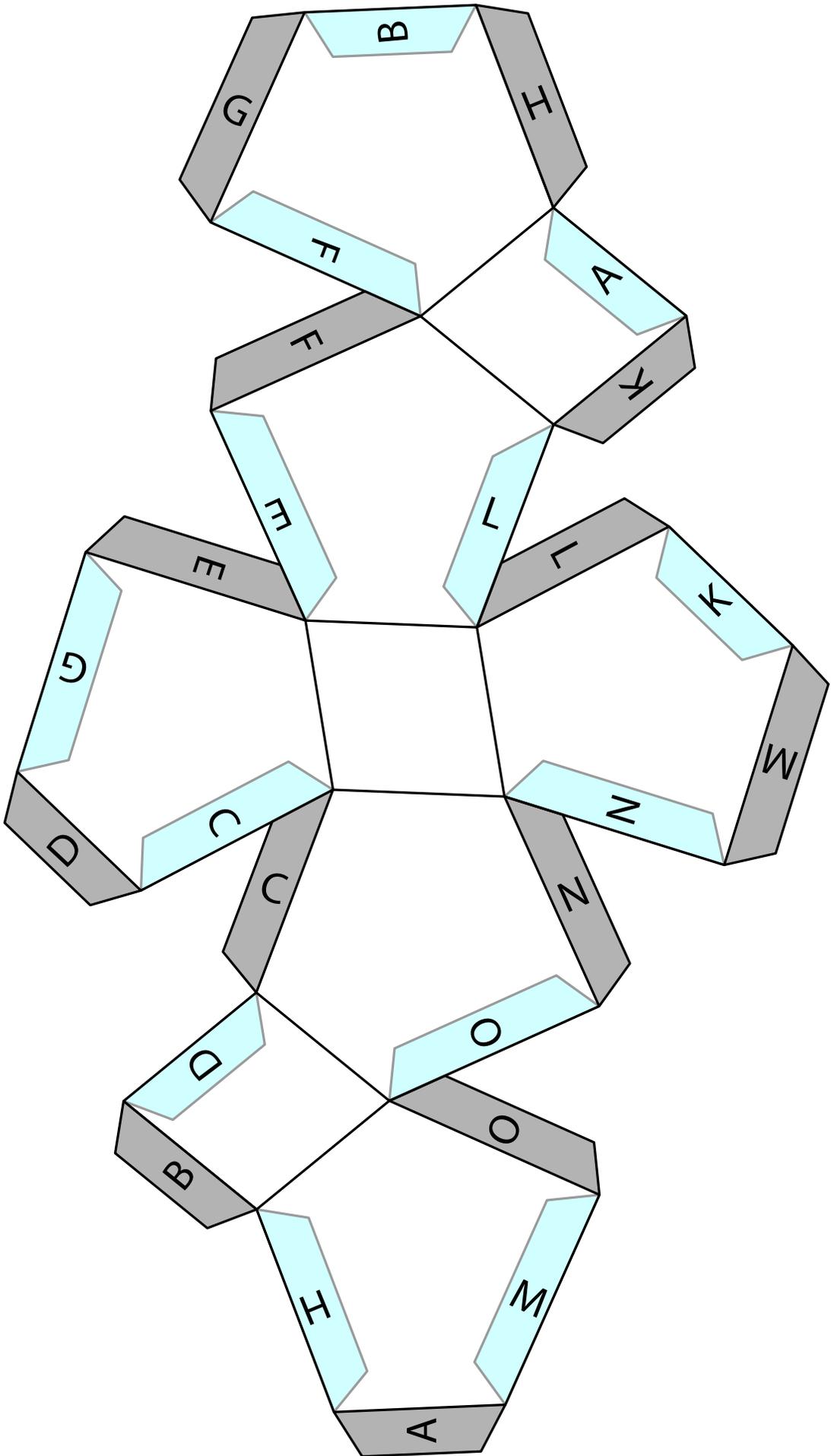


FIGURE 1. The insertion algorithm in  $\mathbf{s}$ -bushes.  
Here  $\mathbf{s} = (1, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1)$  and  $\mathbf{x} = (5, 6, 3, 5, 4, 4, 5.5, 1.5, .25)$ .



associahedron as secondary polytope