

# Interpolating between ordinary and bumpless pipe dreams with hybrid pipe dreams

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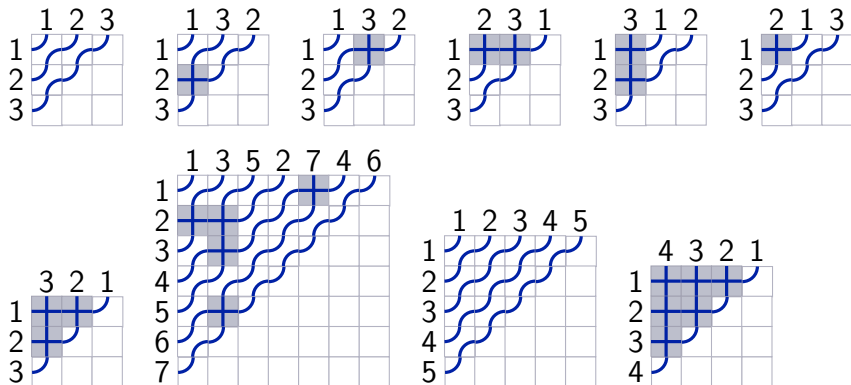
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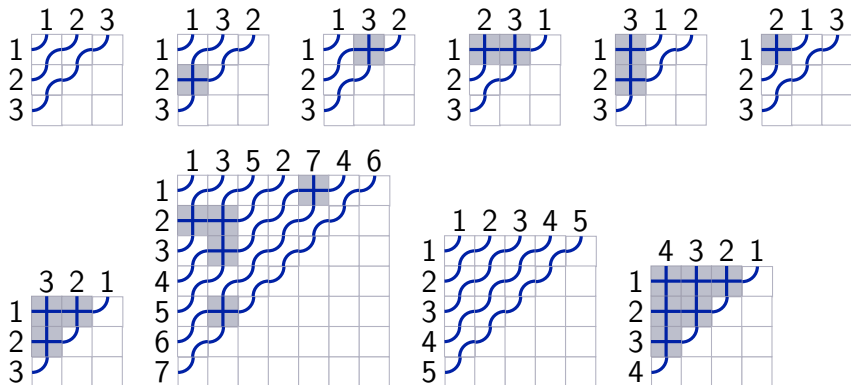
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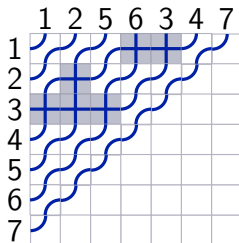
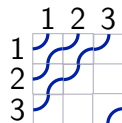
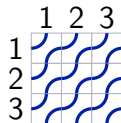
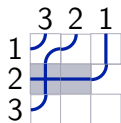
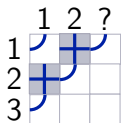
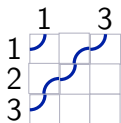
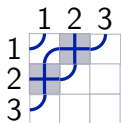
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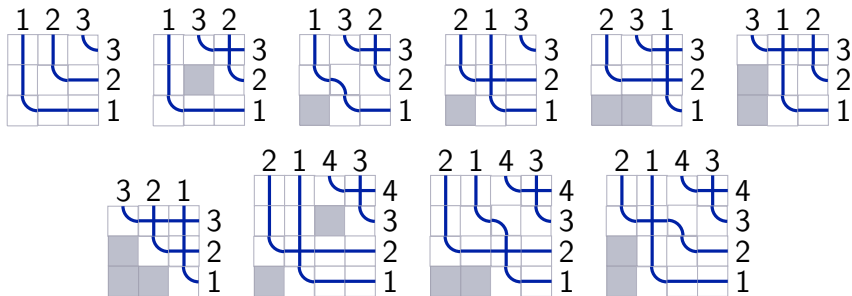
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# Bumpless pipe dreams

## Definition (Lam-Lee-Shimozono 2018)

An (upside down) **bumpless pipe dream** for  $\pi$  is a filling of an  $n \times n$  square with tiles



so that two pipes never cross twice and pipes connect  $i$  on top to  $i$  on the right when the top edges of the square are labeled  $\pi^{-1}(1), \dots, \pi^{-1}(n)$  and the right edges are labeled  $1, \dots, n$  from bottom to top.

# Bumpless pipe dreams and Schubert polynomials

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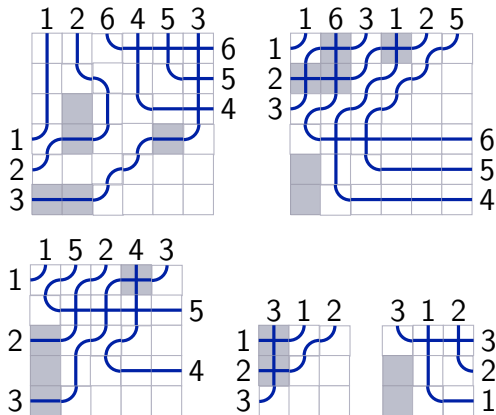
Write  $\text{BPD}(\pi)$  for the set of bumpless pipe dreams for  $\pi$ .

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$$S_{\pi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{D \in \text{BPD}(\pi)} \prod_{(i, j) \in \text{weighty}(D)} (x_i - y_j)$$

# Hybrid pipe dreams by example





# Hybrid pipe dreams defined

The ordinary tiles are



and the bumpless tiles are



## Definition (Knutson)

A **hybrid pipe dream** is a filling of a square with ordinary and bumpless tiles such that

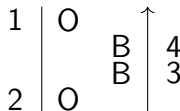
- 1 each row is either ordinary or bumpless
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# Hybrid types

## Definition

A hybrid pipe dream is of **type**  $\tau = \tau_1\tau_2\dots\tau_n \in \{O, B\}^n$  if (its  $i$ th physical row is ordinary if  $\tau_i = O$  and bumpless if  $\tau_i = B$ ).

Labels are left of ordinary rows and right of bumpless rows. Ordinary rows labeled  $1, \dots, k$  from the top. Bumpless rows labeled  $k \dots, n$  from the bottom.



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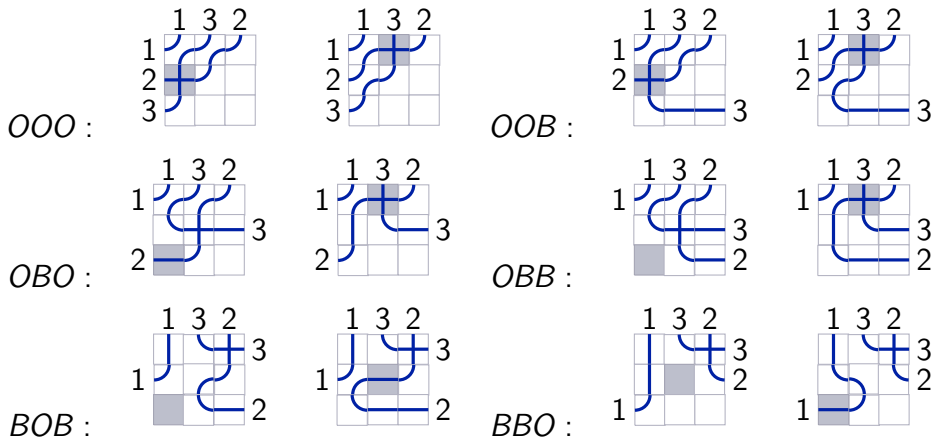
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$\text{HPD}(\pi, \tau)$  is the set of hybrid pipe dreams for  $\pi$  with type  $\tau$ .


# More hybrid examples

Pipe dreams are the hybrid pipe dreams of type  $O^n$ , bumpless pipe dreams are the hybrid pipe dreams of type  $B^n$ .

Hybrid pipe dreams for  $\pi = 132$  and some choices of  $\tau$ .



# Schubert polynomials from hybrid pipe dreams

- ▬ and  are the two weighty ordinary tiles.
- is the only weighty bumpless tile.

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# Plan for constructing hybrid bijections

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Only change the last row of the hybrid pipe dream.

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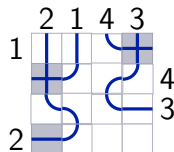
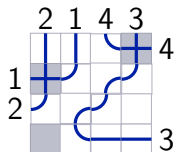
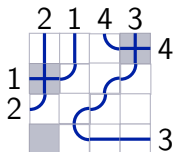
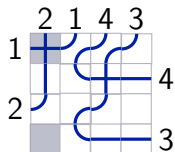
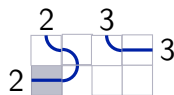
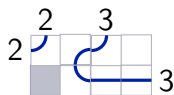
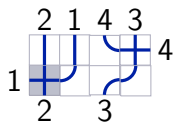
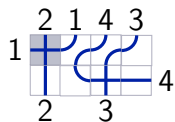
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Modify only the physical  $k$ th,  $(k + 1)$ st rows.

E.g.  $OOO \xrightarrow{1} OOB \xrightarrow{2} OBO \xrightarrow{2} BOO \xrightarrow{1} BOB \xrightarrow{2} BBO \xrightarrow{1} BBB$



# Switching two adjacent rows



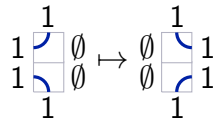
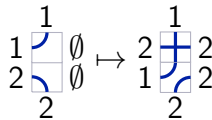
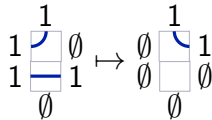
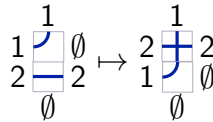
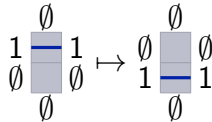
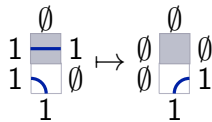
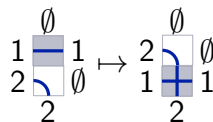
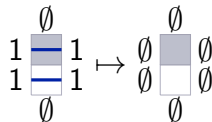
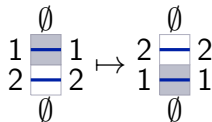
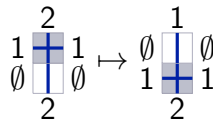
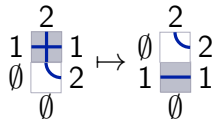
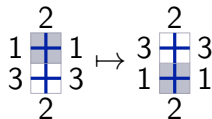
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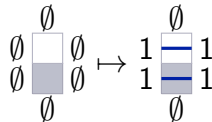
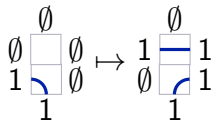
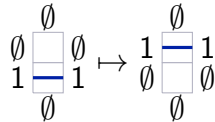
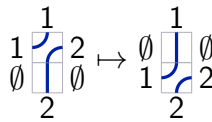
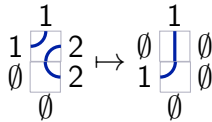
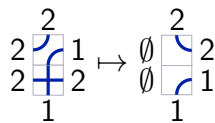
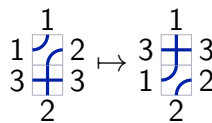
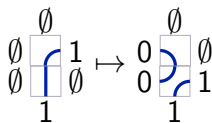
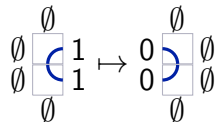
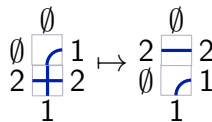
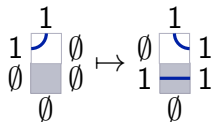
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# A third approach to an $x$ -weight preserving bijection from ordinary to bumpless pipe dreams

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# Decorated hybrid pipe dreams

## Definition (Huang 2020)

$$\widetilde{\text{HPD}}(\pi, \tau) = \{(D, f) : D \in \text{HPD}(\pi, \tau), f : \text{weighty}(D) \rightarrow \{x, -y\}\}$$

$$\text{mon}(D, f) = \prod_{\substack{(i,j) \in \text{weighty}(D) \\ f(i,j)=x}} x_i \prod_{\substack{(i,j) \in \text{weighty}(D) \\ f(i,j)=-y}} -y_j$$

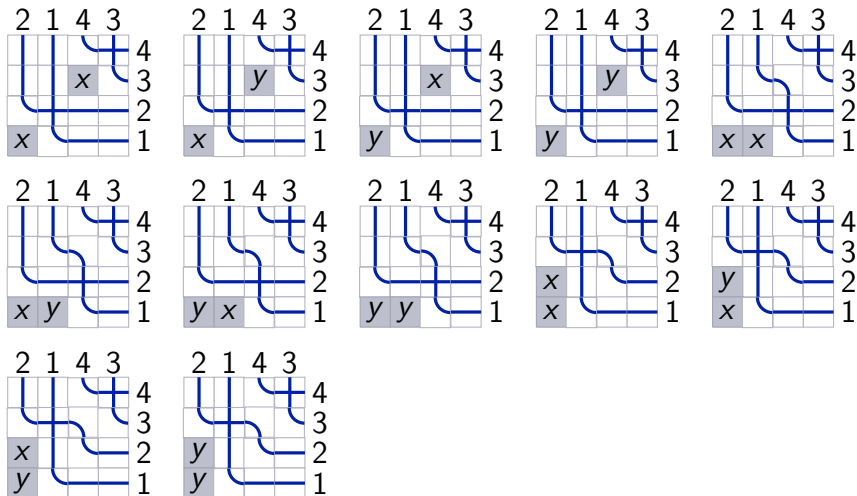
$$S_\pi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{(D,f) \in \widetilde{\text{HPD}}(\pi, \tau)} \text{mon}(D, f)$$

## Theorem (Knutson-U)

For  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in \{O, B\}$ , and  $\pi \in S_n$  there exists a bijection

$$\phi : \widetilde{\text{HPD}}(\pi, \tau_1) \rightarrow \widetilde{\text{HPD}}(\pi, \tau_2) \text{ such that } \text{mon}(\phi(D, f)) = \text{mon}(D, f)$$

# Examples of decorated bumpless pipe dreams



# There is lots to do!

## Further questions

- Describe (equivariant) Monk's rule maps on decorated hybrid pipe dreams
- Describe the bijection between decorated PDs and decorated BPDs without using hybrid pipe dreams

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## Bonus slides



# There is no equivariant weight preserving bijection

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Find a weight preserving bijection between any two types of hybrids.  
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Ordinary and bumpless pipe dreams for  $\pi = 132$ .



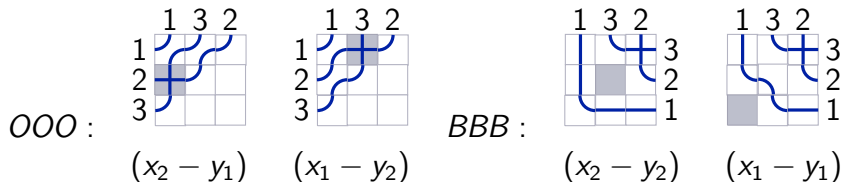
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# There are non-equivariant weight preserving bijections

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|-------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
|                   |               |               |              |               |               |
| <i>OOO</i> :      |               |               | <i>BBB</i> : |               |               |
| weight            | $(x_2 - y_1)$ | $(x_1 - y_2)$ |              | $(x_2 - y_2)$ | $(x_1 - y_1)$ |
| $\text{mon}_x(D)$ | $x_2$         | $x_1$         |              | $x_2$         | $x_1$         |
| $\text{mon}_y(D)$ | $-y_1$        | $-y_2$        |              | $-y_2$        | $-y_1$        |

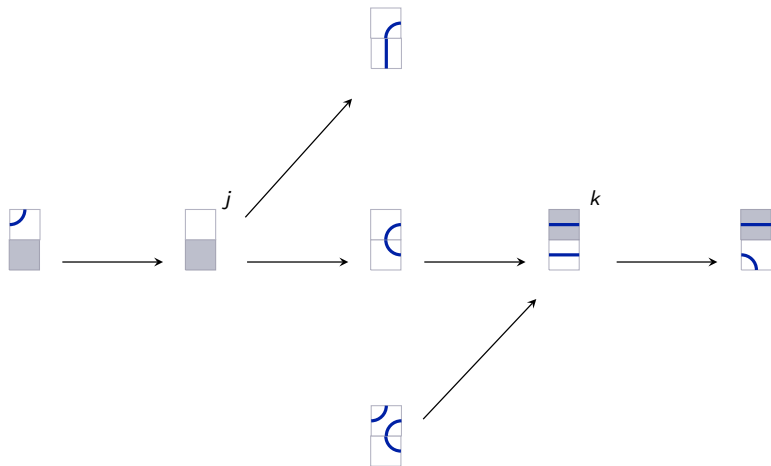
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# Getting a weight preserving bijection for decorated hybrid pipe dreams

Plan:

- Break up a strip of  $n$  dominos into a strip of  $k$  dominos and a strip of  $(n - k)$  dominos
- Understand the bijection on the irreducible pieces

# Irreducible chunks



# Irreducible chunks 2

