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ABSTRACT

The “bridge index” of a knot is the least number of maximal overpasses taken over all diagrams of the knot. A naïve method to determine the bridge index of a knot is to perform Reidemeister moves on diagrams of the knot, and this method quickly becomes tedious to implement by hand. In this paper, we introduce a sequence of Reidemeister moves which we call a “drag the underpass” move and prove how planar diagram codes change as Reidemeister moves are performed. We then use these results to programatically perform Reidemeister moves using Python 2.7 to calculate an upper bound on the bridge index of prime knots with three through twelve crossings. We conclude with discussions of how our results compare to the literature and future work related to these calculations.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 What is a knot?

Formally, a **knot** is a simple closed polygonal curve in \mathbb{R}^3 . However, knots are usually thought of and drawn as smooth curves. [6]

The simplest knot is the unknotted circle, pictured in Figure 1.1, which is called the **unknot** or the **trivial knot**.

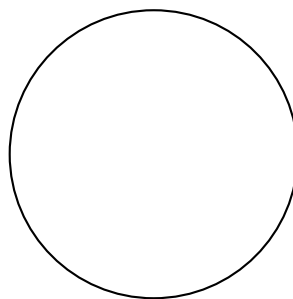


Figure 1.1: A diagram of the unknot

Common methods for depicting knots are regular projections and diagrams. In a **regular projection**, a knot is mapped from \mathbb{R}^3 onto a plane such that no three points on the knot project to the same point and no vertex projects to the same point as any other point on the knot [6]. Sections of a knot which pass over or under each other in \mathbb{R}^3 are depicted as double points in a regular projection. In a knot **diagram**, the double points of a projection are called **crossings**. Corresponding to each crossing of a diagram, in \mathbb{R}^3 there are two sections of the knot called an overpass and an underpass. The underpass is broken in diagrams to indicate which section passes over the other in \mathbb{R}^3 .



Figure 1.2: A projection (left) and a diagram (right) of the trefoil

A **labeled diagram** is a knot diagram for which the edges are sequentially labeled with natural numbers. To create a labeled diagram:

1. Select a starting point on an edge of the diagram.
2. Label the edge containing the starting point 1.
3. Unless already specified, select a direction to travel the diagram. This direction is called the **orientation** of the knot.
4. From the starting point, traverse the diagram following the orientation of the knot and label each edge with the natural number one greater than the label of the preceding edge until all of the edges have been labeled.

Note that a diagram of a knot can have different labelings depending on the starting point selected and the orientation of the knot, as illustrated in Figure 1.3.

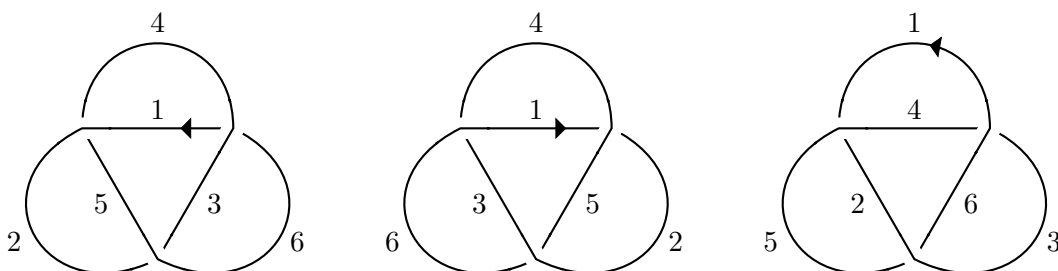


Figure 1.3: Three labelings of a diagram of the trefoil

1.2 The bridge index

In a knot diagram, an **underpass** is a section of the knot which goes under at least one crossing and does not go over a crossing. Conversely, an **overpass** is a section of the knot which goes over at least one crossing and does not go under a crossing. A **bridge**, or “maximal overpass”, is an overpass which cannot be made any longer - going further from either end would result in traveling under a crossing. An underpass, overpass and bridge are illustrated by the red sections in Figure 1.4. Note that each crossing in a knot diagram must have some bridge that crosses over it.

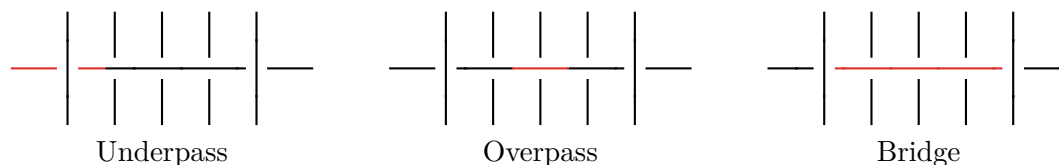


Figure 1.4: An underpass, an overpass and a bridge

The number of maximal overpasses in a knot diagram is the “bridge number” of the diagram. Different diagrams of the same knot can have different bridge numbers. The **bridge index of K** , denoted as $b(K)$, is the least bridge number of all diagrams of knot K [9]. The bridge index is sometimes referred to as the *bridge number*.

There is no known general method or algorithm for computing the bridge index of an arbitrary knot. As such, various methods have been used to compute bridge indexes. Schubert [10] introduced a projection which is now referred to as *Schubert normal form* and completely classified knots with bridge index 2, which includes many knots with less than 11 crossings. Musick [7] found the bridge index for all 11-crossing prime knots using a combination of methods. Musick presented the knots with bridge index two in two bridge form. For the knots with bridge index three, he notes that none of these are rational knots and exhibit a three bridge presentation. For knots with bridge index four, he uses a theorem which says that if a Montesinos knot K has $r \geq 3$ rational tangles,

excluding integer tangles, then K has bridge index r . While this project was in progress, Blair et al [3] proved that the Wirtinger number of a knot equals its bridge index and used this finding to determine the bridge index of prime knots with up to 14 crossings. The bridge indexes from these and other sources are available in the table of knot invariants curated by Cha and Livingston [4].

Knots with a bridge index of 2, called *two-bridge knots*, are arguably the most well-understood class of knots. Below are several interesting facts about two-bridge knots:

- The two-bridge knots are exactly the rational knots [1].
- The bridge index of the composition of two knots is one less than the sum of the bridge indexes of the two knots, i.e., $b(K_1 \# K_2) = b(K_1) + b(K_2) - 1$ [10]. This implies that all two-bridge knots are prime.
- The number of distinct two-bridge knots of n crossings is at least $(2^{n-2} - 1)/3$ [5].

Though two-bridge knots are well understood, knots for which $b(K) > 2$ are not yet well understood. For example, classifying all of the knots with $b(K) = 3$ is an open problem.

1.3 Planar diagram codes

A **planar diagram (PD) code** is a numerical representation of a knot diagram comprised of 4-tuples. Each element of a 4-tuple corresponds to an edge in the knot diagram and each 4-tuple corresponds to a crossing.

The set of 4-tuples of a PD code representing a given labeled knot diagram is generated as follows. For each crossing we include the 4-tuple of edge labels involved beginning with the incoming under-edge and proceeding counter-clockwise around the crossing.

Note that a knot diagram may have multiple corresponding planar diagram codes depending on the the labeling of the diagram.

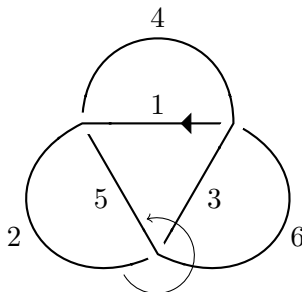


Figure 1.5: A labeled diagram of the trefoil with PD code $(2, 6, 3, 5)(4, 2, 5, 1)(6, 4, 1, 3)$

Given a planar diagram code, we can construct a diagram of the corresponding knot. As an example, we will construct a diagram of the trefoil from the planar diagram code we found above in Figure 1.5, $(2, 6, 3, 5)(4, 2, 5, 1)(6, 4, 1, 3)$. Begin by drawing a labeled crossing based on each tuple in the planar diagram code as in Figure 1.6. Note that it is not necessary for the crossings to be drawn in the same order as the corresponding tuples in the planar diagram code. Then connect the segments with matching labels as in Figure 1.7, being careful not to cross any edges which have already been connected.

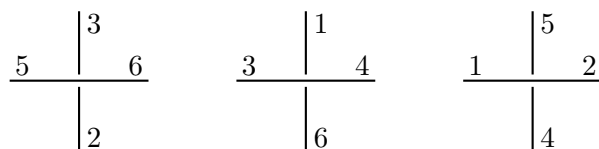


Figure 1.6: Crossings constructed from the PD code $(2, 6, 3, 5)(4, 2, 5, 1)(6, 4, 1, 3)$

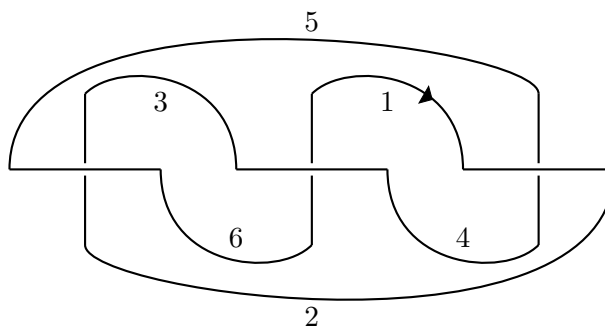


Figure 1.7: Diagram constructed from the PD code $(2, 6, 3, 5)(4, 2, 5, 1)(6, 4, 1, 3)$

Note that we are able to determine the orientation of a knot from a planar diagram code because the first element in each tuple corresponds to an edge that we follow under a strand to begin an undercross.

1.4 Reidemeister moves

There are three operations (and their inverses) which can be performed on a knot diagram without altering the corresponding knot. These operations, called **Reidemeister moves**, are local changes to the knot diagram. That is, the diagram remains unchanged except for the change depicted in Figure 1.8.

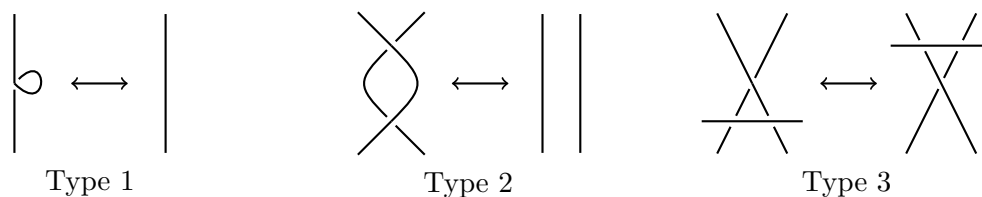


Figure 1.8: Reidemeister moves

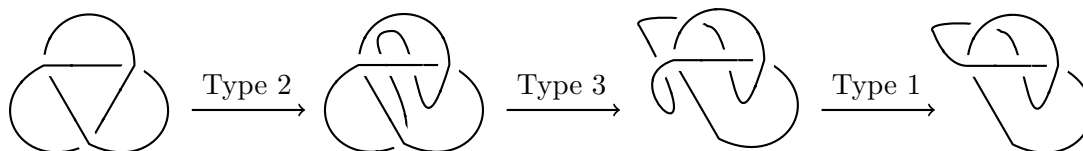


Figure 1.9: Reidemeister moves performed consecutively

As illustrated in Figure 1.9:

- a Reidemeister move of type 1 adds or removes one twist in a knot,
- a Reidemeister move of type 2 adds or removes two crossings by sliding one strand over or under another strand, and
- a Reidemeister move of type 3 changes the organization of three adjacent crossings by sliding a strand from one side of a crossing to the other.

Theorem 1.1. *Two knot diagrams belonging to the same knot, up to planar isotopy, can be related by a sequence of the three Reidemeister moves.*

Proofs of this theorem were published independently by Reidemeister in 1927 [8] and by Alexander and Briggs in 1926 [2].

1.5 “Drag the underpass” move

We introduce a method of altering a knot diagram called the “drag the underpass” move. To perform a “drag the underpass” move, drag the underpass strand of a crossing along the overpass strand to the opposite side of an adjacent crossing as illustrated in Figure 1.10. Throughout this paper we will focus on “drag the underpass” moves for which the overpass strand we drag the underpass along forms an overpass at the adjacent crossing, and this will be discussed further in sections 2.3 and 3.3.



Dragging an underpass along a segment which becomes an underpass



Dragging an underpass along a segment which remains an overpass

Figure 1.10: Knot segments before and after a “drag the underpass” move

The “drag the underpass” move is equivalent to a Reidemeister move of type 2 followed by a Reidemeister move of type 3, as illustrated in Figure 1.11.

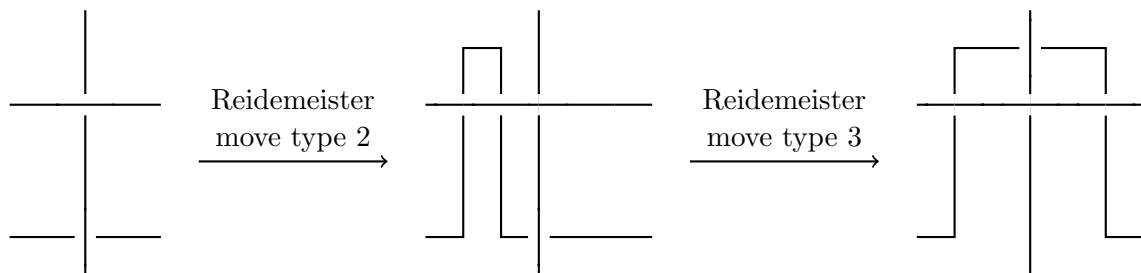


Figure 1.11: A “drag the underpass” move is a series of Reidemeister moves

CHAPTER 2

MANIPULATING PLANAR DIAGRAM CODES

In this chapter we present how planar diagram codes change as Reidemeister moves and “drag the underpass” moves are performed. We will begin by identifying how a PD code is structured when a crossing can be eliminated by a Reidemeister move of type 1 and present an algorithm for altering PD codes when such a move is performed. We will then identify how a PD code is structured when two crossings can be eliminated by a Reidemeister move of type 2 and present an algorithm for altering PD codes when such a move is performed. We will finish by identifying how a PD code is structured when a “drag the underpass” move can be performed and introduce an algorithm for altering PD codes when a “drag the underpass” move is performed.

2.1 Identifying and simplifying Reidemeister moves of type 1

A knot is said to be “simplifiable” by a Reidemeister move of type 1 if a crossing of the knot can be eliminated by performing a Reidemeister move of type 1 as discussed in Chapter 1.

Proposition. *A planar diagram code tuple indicates that a knot can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1 if and only if the tuple contains at most three unique values.*

Proof. We begin by showing that if a knot can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1, then the PD code tuple corresponding to the crossing to be eliminated contains at most three unique values.

Consider all possible diagrams of a knot segment which can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1, which are depicted in Figure 2.1.

Note that for each of the crossings depicted in Figure 2.1, the corresponding PD code tuple includes the value of the loop segment, b , twice.

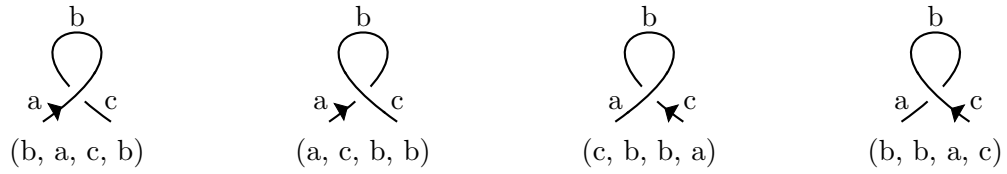


Figure 2.1: Knot segments simplifiable by a Reidemeister move of type 1 and the corresponding planar diagram code tuple

Hence if a knot can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1, then the PD code tuple corresponding to the crossing to be eliminated contains at most three unique values.

We will finish by showing that every PD code tuple that has at most three unique values corresponds to a crossing which can be eliminated by a Reidemeister move of type 1.

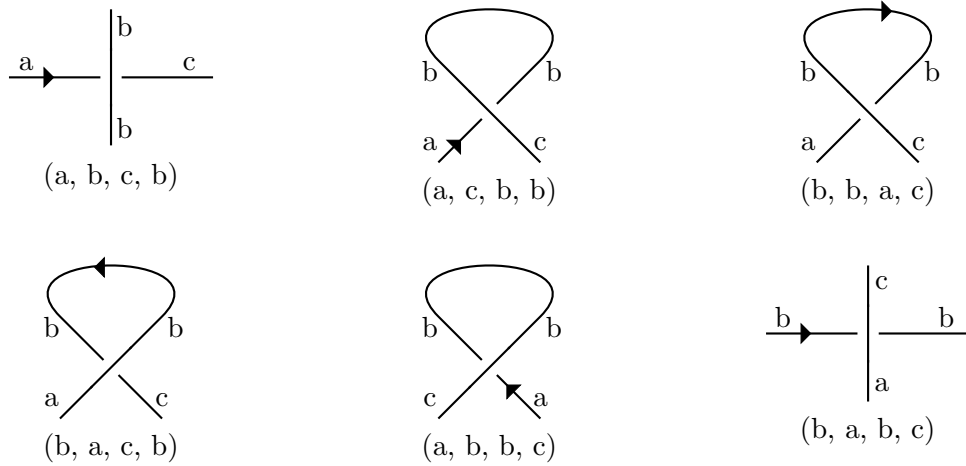


Figure 2.2: Diagrams corresponding to planar diagram codes with at most 3 unique values

Let us consider the diagrams that correspond to PD code tuples which contain at most three unique values, (a, b, c, b) , (a, c, b, b) , (b, b, a, c) , (b, a, c, b) , (a, b, b, c) and (b, a, b, c) , with $b \neq a, c$. Notice in Figure 2.2 that for the tuples (a, b, c, b) and (b, a, b, c) we cannot connect the two segments labeled b without crossing over or under either segment a or

segment c . This indicates that these two tuples are not valid PD code tuples. All of the other crossings can be eliminated by un-twisting motion, which is a Reidemeister move of type 1. Hence every PD code tuple with at most three unique elements corresponds to a crossing of a knot which can be eliminated by a Reidemeister move of type 1. \square

Proposition. *When a knot is simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1, the planar diagram code of the knot changes as follows:*

1. *The tuple corresponding to the crossing that is eliminated by performing the Reidemeister move is removed from the planar diagram code.*
2. *Let b denote the PD code value of the edge that formed the loop which was eliminated and let m denote the maximum value of elements in the PD code before the Reidemeister move was performed.*

Apply a function to each element of every PD code tuple, where the function to apply is determined by the value of b .

If $1 < b < m$, apply the function f where f is defined as:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x < b \\ x - 2 & x > b \end{cases}$$

If $b = 1$, apply the function g where g is defined as:

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x - 2 & x > 2 \\ m - 2 & x = 2 \end{cases}$$

If $b = m$, apply the function h where h is defined as:

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \leq b - 2 \\ 1 & x = b - 1 \end{cases}$$

Proof. Note that in the definitions of f , g , and h it is not necessary to consider the case $x = b$. The label of each edge in a knot diagram is included in the corresponding PD code exactly twice, and b was included twice in the tuple which was already removed from the PD code. Hence the case $x = b$ never arises.

We will find how a PD code changes when a knot is simplified through a Reidemeister move of type 1 by considering how the labels of edges change in the corresponding knot diagrams.

Begin by recognizing that when a knot diagram is simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1, the edge labeled b is merged with the edges immediately before and after it (i.e., the edges $b - 1$ and $b + 1$), as illustrated in Figure 2.3.

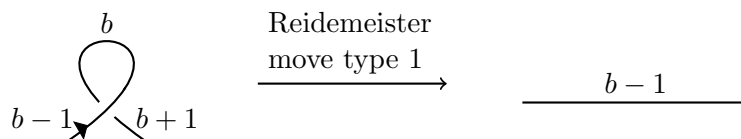


Figure 2.3: The merging of edges from a Reidemeister move of type 1

We now consider how the labels change depending on the value of b so that the resulting diagram has a valid labeling.

Case $1 < b < m$. The edges which originally had a label less than b remain unchanged and the edges which originally had a label greater than b have their labels decreased by 2 due to the edges that were merged together. As an example, consider the label changes in Figure 2.4.

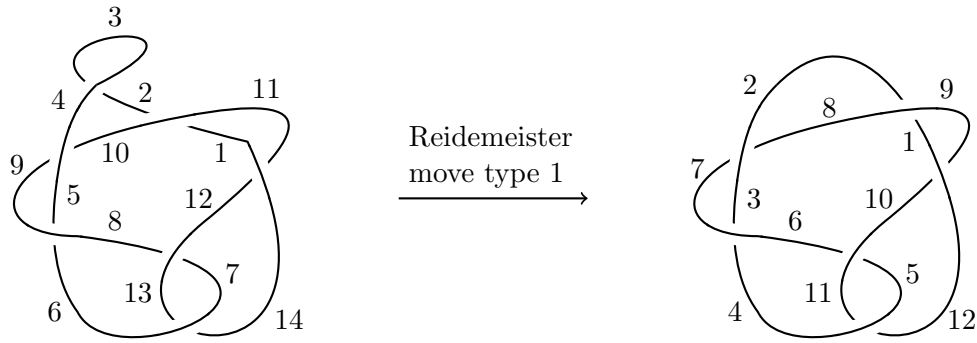


Figure 2.4: A diagram with $1 < b = 3 < m$ simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1

Case $b = 1$. If we apply the label changes discussed in the case $1 < b < m$ so that $x \rightarrow x$ for all $x < b$ and $x \rightarrow x - 2$ for all $x > b$, then the edge which results as a merger of the edges originally labeled 2 and m is labeled 0 and $m - 2$, as illustrated in Figure 2.5. This labeling is problematic as the least label must be 1 and each edge may only have one label.

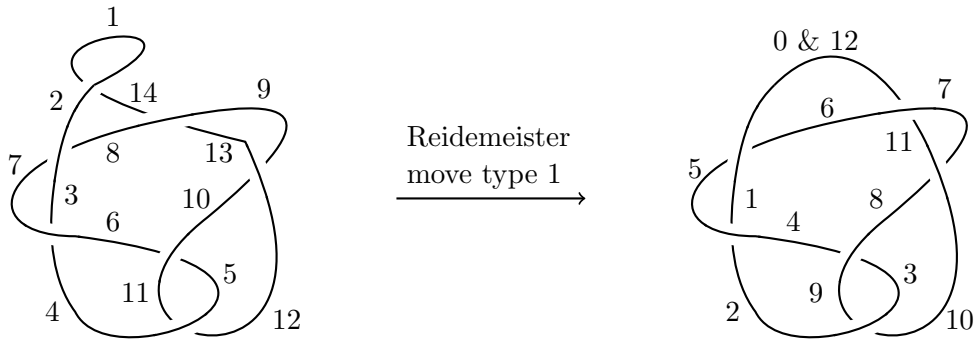


Figure 2.5: A knot diagram with $b = 1$ naïvely simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1

The labeling can be fixed by adjusting the function applied to each element of the PD code so that 2 and $m - 2$ are mapped to the same value, $x \rightarrow x - 2$ for all $x > 2$ and $x \rightarrow m - 2$ if $x = 2$, as illustrated in Figure 2.6.

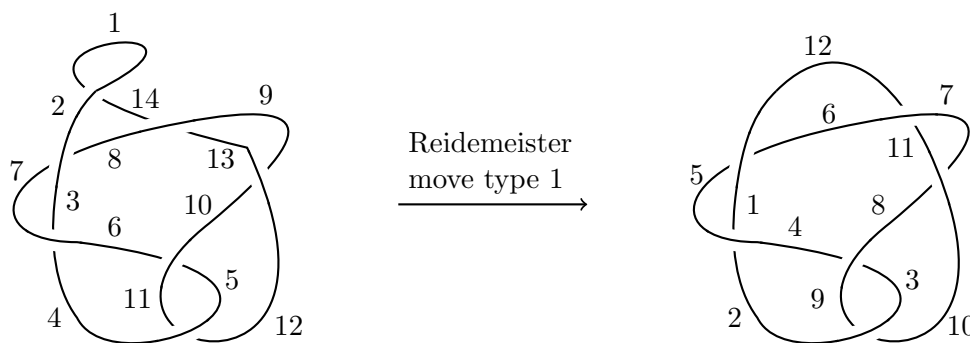


Figure 2.6: A knot diagram with $b = 1$ correctly simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1

Case $b = m$. Consider what happens if we apply the label changes discussed in the case $1 < b < m$ so that $x \rightarrow x$ for all $x < b$ and $x \rightarrow x - 2$ for all $x > b$. As illustrated in Figure 2.7, the edge which results as a merger of the edges originally labeled 1 and $m - 1$ is labeled 1 and $m - 1$. This is not a valid labeling as each edge may only have one label and $m - 1$ is greater than the maximum allowed label, which is $m - 2$.

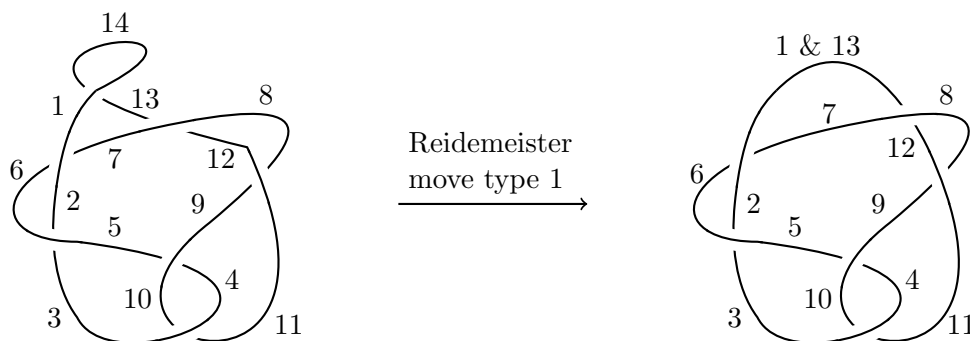


Figure 2.7: A diagram with $b = m$ naïvely simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1

This can be fixed by adjusting the function applied to each element of the PD code so that 1 and $m - 1$ are both mapped to 1 and all other labels remain the same, $x \rightarrow x$ for all $x \leq m - 2$ and $x \rightarrow 1$ for $x = m - 1$, as illustrated in Figure 2.8.

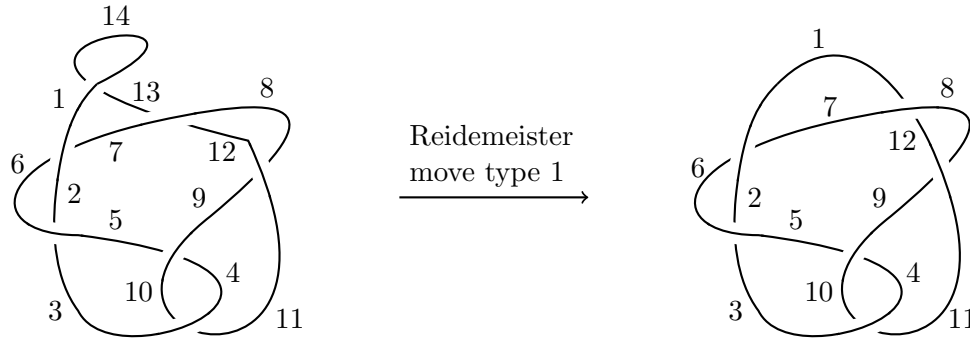


Figure 2.8: A diagram with $b = m$ correctly simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 1

□

2.2 Identifying and simplifying Reidemeister moves of type 2

A knot is said to be “simplifiable” by a Reidemeister move of type 2 if two crossings of the knot can be eliminated by performing a Reidemeister move of type 2.

Proposition. *A knot can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 if and only if a pair of tuples in a planar diagram code of the knot satisfy one of the following configurations of elements, where m is the maximum value in the PD code:*

1. (a, γ, β, b) and (β, γ, c, d) with $|a - \beta| = 1$
2. (a, b, β, γ) and (β, c, d, γ) with $|a - \beta| = 1$
3. $(m, b, 1, \beta)$ and $(1, a, 2, \beta)$
4. $(m, \beta, 1, b)$ and $(1, \beta, 2, a)$

Proof. We begin by showing that if a knot can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2, then the PD code tuples corresponding to the crossings to be eliminated are of one of the four forms stated above.

First, consider the PD code tuples of a knot that can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 which are obtained by choosing a starting point that is not in the loop. Depending on the orientation of the knot, there are eight possible diagrams. These are depicted in Figure 2.9, supposing that we traverse the knot from a_1 toward a_2 and then from b_1 toward b_2 .

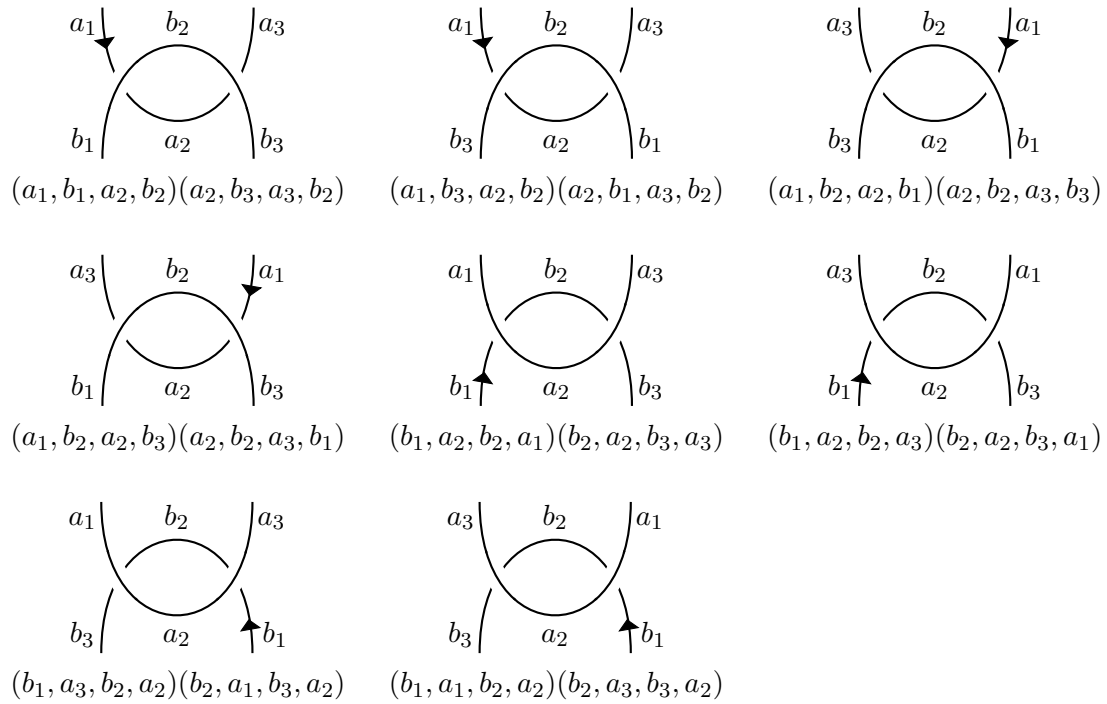


Figure 2.9: Knot segments which can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 and the corresponding PD code tuples

Note that the pairs of PD code tuples corresponding to these diagram segments have one of two forms - (a, γ, β, b) and (β, γ, c, d) , or (a, b, β, γ) and (β, c, d, γ) . Also note that since a and β are consecutive arcs of the knot, by the construction of the PD code $\beta = (a + 1) \bmod m$. Also by the construction of the PD code, $a_1 < a_2$ and $b_1 < b_2$, so $a \neq m$. Hence $\beta = a + 1$ and $|a - \beta| = 1$.

Second, consider the PD code tuples corresponding to the section of a knot which can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 where the knot diagram is labeled such that the edge labeled 1 is one of the arcs segments involved in the Reidemeister move. There are eight such possible diagrams, and these are illustrated in Figure 2.10 and Figure 2.11, supposing that we traverse the knot from 1 toward 2 and then from b_1 toward b_2 .

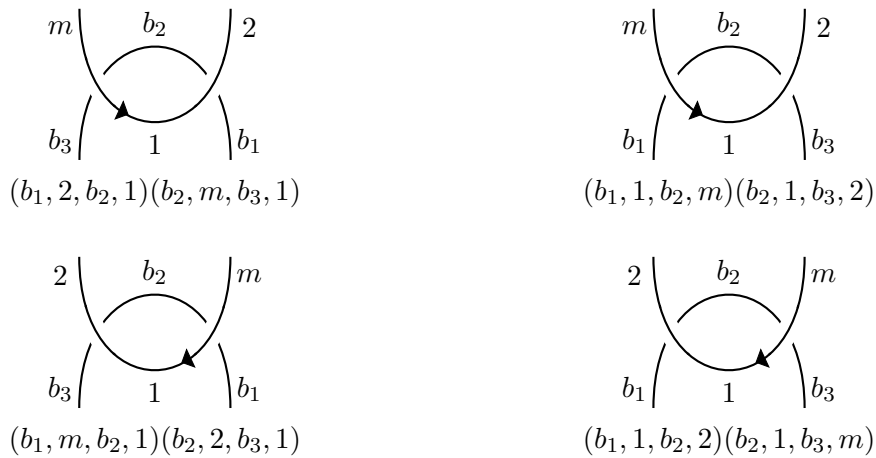


Figure 2.10: Diagrams of knot segments which can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 with a starting point in the arc forming an overpass

Note that in the cases that the knot edge labeled 1 forms an overpass, as in Figure 2.10, the PD code tuple pairs corresponding to these knot segments have the form (a, γ, β, b) , (β, γ, c, d) or (a, b, β, γ) , (β, c, d, γ) with $|a - \beta| = 1$.

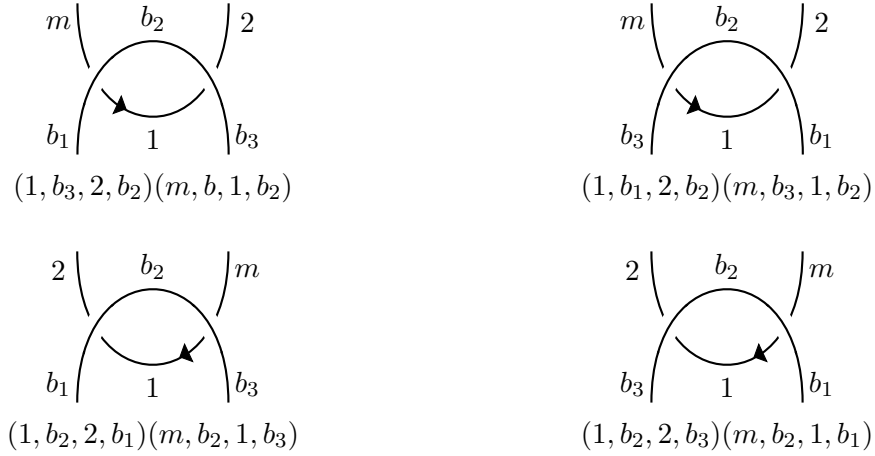


Figure 2.11: Diagrams of knot segments which can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 with a starting point in the arc forming an underpass

In the cases that the edge labeled 1 dead-ends into a strand creating an underpass, as depicted in Figure 2.11, the PD code tuples corresponding to this segment of the knot have the form $(m, b, 1, \beta)$ and $(1, a, 2, \beta)$, or $(m, \beta, 1, b)$ and $(1, \beta, 2, a)$, where m is the maximum value in the PD code.

Hence if a knot can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2, then the PD code tuples corresponding to the crossings to be eliminated are of one of the following forms, where m is the maximum value in the PD code:

1. (a, γ, β, b) and (β, γ, c, d) with $|a - \beta| = 1$
2. (a, b, β, γ) and (β, c, d, γ) with $|a - \beta| = 1$
3. $(m, b, 1, \beta)$ and $(1, a, 2, \beta)$
4. $(m, \beta, 1, b)$ and $(1, \beta, 2, a)$

We finish by showing that every pair of PD code tuples with one of the forms enumerated below corresponds to a segment of a knot which can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2:

1. (a, γ, β, b) and (β, γ, c, d) with $|a - \beta| = 1$

2. (a, b, β, γ) and (β, c, d, γ) with $|a - \beta| = 1$
3. $(m, b, 1, \beta)$ and $(1, a, 2, \beta)$
4. $(m, \beta, 1, b)$ and $(1, \beta, 2, a)$

Let us consider the diagrams that correspond to PD codes of the form $(a, \gamma, \beta, b)(\beta, \gamma, c, d)$ and $(a, b, \gamma, \beta)(\gamma, c, d, \beta)$ with $|a - \beta| = 1$.



Figure 2.12: Knot segment diagrams with PD codes of the form $(a, \gamma, \beta, b)(\beta, \gamma, c, d)$ and $(a, b, \gamma, \beta)(\gamma, c, d, \beta)$ with $|a - \beta| = 1$

From inspection of Figure 2.12 we see that these knot segments can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2.

Now let us consider the diagrams that correspond to PD code tuples of the form $(m, b, 1, \beta)(1, a, 2, \beta)$ and $(m, \beta, 1, b)(1, \beta, 2, a)$.



Figure 2.13: Knot segment diagrams with consecutive PD code tuples of the form $(m, b, 1, \beta)(1, a, 2, \beta)$ and $(m, \beta, 1, b)(1, \beta, 2, a)$

We see from inspection of the diagrams in Figure 2.13 that these knot segments can also be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2.

Therefore, two tuples in a planar diagram code indicate that the knot can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 if and only if the tuples are of one of the forms:

1. (a, γ, β, b) and (β, γ, c, d) with $|a - \beta| = 1$
2. (a, b, β, γ) and (β, c, d, γ) with $|a - \beta| = 1$
3. $(m, b, 1, \beta)$ and $(1, a, 2, \beta)$
4. $(m, \beta, 1, b)$ and $(1, \beta, 2, a)$

□

Proposition. *When a knot is simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2, the planar diagram code of the knot changes as follows:*

1. *The PD code tuples corresponding to the pair of crossings that are eliminated are removed.*
2. *Every element in the remaining PD code tuples is adjusted by applying $g \circ f$ where n_1, n_2 denote the PD code values of the arcs that were eliminated from the knot with $n_1 < n_2$, f is defined by*

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x < n_1 \\ x - 1 & x > n_1, n_1 = 1 \\ x - 2 & x > n_1, n_1 > 1 \end{cases}$$

g is defined by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x \bmod (m - 2) & x < k \\ (x - 1) \bmod (m - 2) & x > k, k = 1 \\ (x - 2) \bmod (m - 2) & x > k, k > 1 \end{cases}$$

with

$$k = \begin{cases} n_2 - 1 & n_1 = 1 \\ n_2 - 2 & n_1 > 1 \end{cases}$$

and m is the maximum value of elements in the PD code tuples before this Reidemeister move was performed.

Proof.

By definition, each tuple in a planar diagram code has a one-to-one relationship with a crossing in the corresponding knot. Hence when two crossings are eliminated from a knot by a Reidemeister move of type 2, the corresponding tuples are removed from the planar diagram code.

Now consider how the labels of a knot diagram change when a Reidemeister move of type 2 is performed.

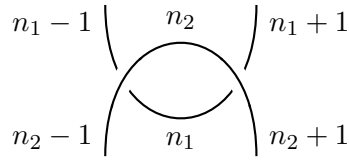


Figure 2.14: A labeled diagram segment simplifiable by a Reidemeister move of type 2

As illustrated in Figure 2.14, when a knot is simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 the edges n_1 and $n_1 + 1$ are merged into edge $n_1 - 1$ and the edges n_2 and $n_2 + 1$ are merged into edge $n_2 - 1$. Without loss of generality, let $n_1 < n_2$. Then the labels of edges originally labeled less than n_1 are not affected, the labels of edges originally labeled greater than $n_1 + 2$ decrease by 2 (since edges n_1 and $n_1 + 1$ are merged into edge $n_1 - 1$) and the edges originally labeled greater than $n_2 - 1$ are decreased by an additional 2 (since edges n_2 and $n_2 + 1$ are merged into edge $n_2 - 1$).

When adjusting the labels of edges, we need the resulting labeled diagram to satisfy the following criteria:

- each edge must have exactly one label
- the edges must be labeled sequentially beginning with 1 and ending with $m - 4$ (which is the number of edges in the new diagram)

Case $n_1 \neq 1$. Consider a knot diagram that can be simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 with $n_1 \neq 1$.

Suppose we apply h to each label where h is defined as:

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} x & x < n_1 \\ x - 2 & n_1 < x < n_2 \\ x - 4 & x > n_2 \end{cases}$$

Note that it is not necessary to consider the cases $x = n_1$ and $x = n_2$ in the definition of h . The label of each edge in a knot diagram is included in the corresponding PD code exactly twice, and n_1 and n_2 were included once in both of the tuples that were eliminated from the PD code. Hence the cases $x = n_1$ and $x = n_2$ never arise.

$h(1) = 1$, $h(m) = m - 4$, and for x and $x + 1$ in the same case range, $h(x + 1) = (x + 1) - y = x - y + 1 = (x - y) + 1 = h(x) + 1$. Hence h is strictly increasing within each case range and it is easy to see that h covers $[1, m - 4]$.

We have $h(n_1 - 1) = n_1 - 1$ and $h(n_1 + 1) = (n_1 + 1) - 2 = n_1 - 1$, so $h(n_1 - 1) = h(n_1 + 1)$, and we have $h(n_2 - 1) = (n_2 - 1) - 2 = n_2 - 3$ and $h(n_2 + 1) = (n_2 + 1) - 4 = n_2 - 3$, so $h(n_2 - 1) = h(n_2 + 1)$. Hence the labels of the edges that are merged together map to the same value, confirming that each edge has exactly one label.

Hence for $n_1 \neq 1$, h results a valid labeled diagram and PD code. This can be verified with the example in Figure 2.15.

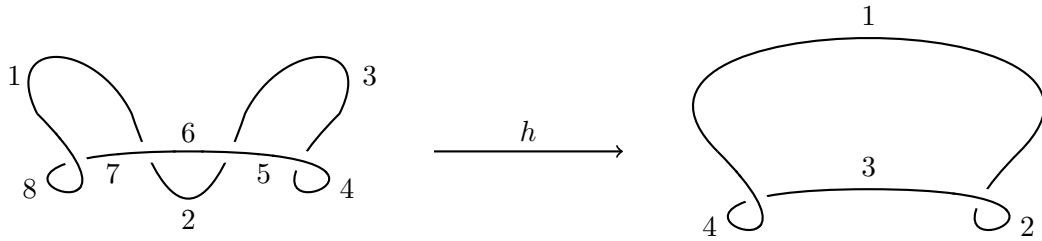


Figure 2.15: Simplify a diagram with $n_1 \neq 1$ by a Reidemeister move of type 2 using h

Case $n_1 = 1$. If we apply h to a PD code for which $n_1 = 1$, we quickly see that $h(n_1 + 1) = h(2) = 0$, which is not a valid label for a knot diagram. Also, $h(n_1 - 1) = h(m) = m - 4$, and so $h(n_1 + 1) \neq h(n_1 - 1)$, resulting in two different labels for the egde that is the result of edges on either side of edge n_1 being merged together. This is illustrated in Figure 2.16.

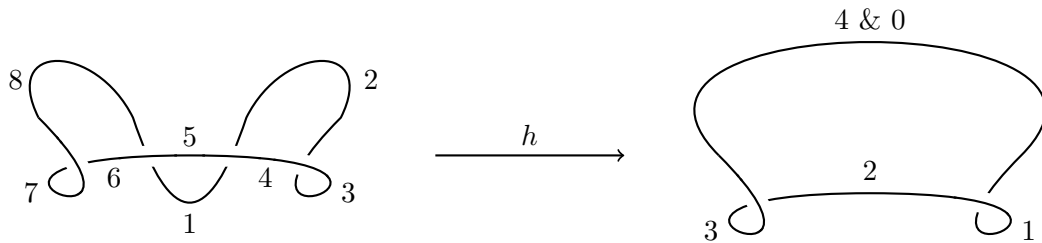


Figure 2.16: A diagram with $n_1 = 1$ naively simplified by a Reidemeister move of type 2 using h

We can fix both of these issues by defining a new function, j , such that $j(2) = h(m)$ and $j(x) = h(x)$ for all $x \neq 2$. Hence j is defined as:

$$j(x) = \begin{cases} m - 4 & x = 2 \\ x - 2 & 2 < x < n_2 \\ x - 4 & x > n_2 \end{cases}$$

□

2.3 Identifying and performing “drag the underpass” moves

Let (a, b, c, d) denote the crossing to be dragged and (e, f, g, h) the crossing directly before or after (a, b, c, d) which we will drag (a, b, c, d) underneath.

There are eight configurations for the crossings (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) depending on the orientation of the knot and which element the two tuples have in common. These eight configurations can be sub-divided into two sets - those with the segments ac and eg perpendicular to each other as in Figure 2.17 and those with segments ac and eg parallel to each other as in Figure 2.18.

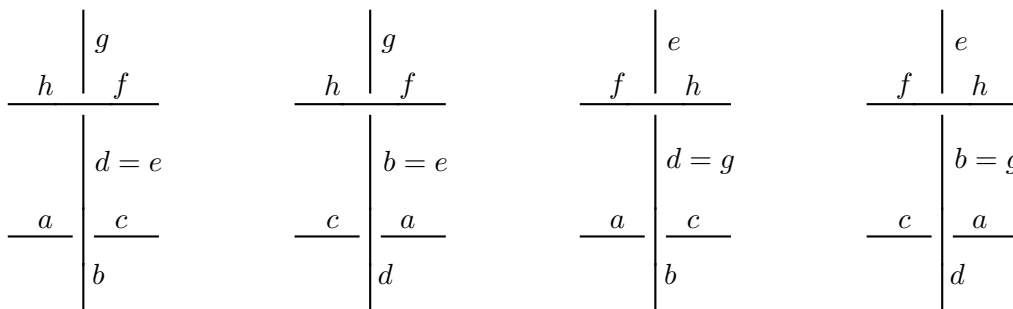


Figure 2.17: Knot segments with ac perpendicular to eg

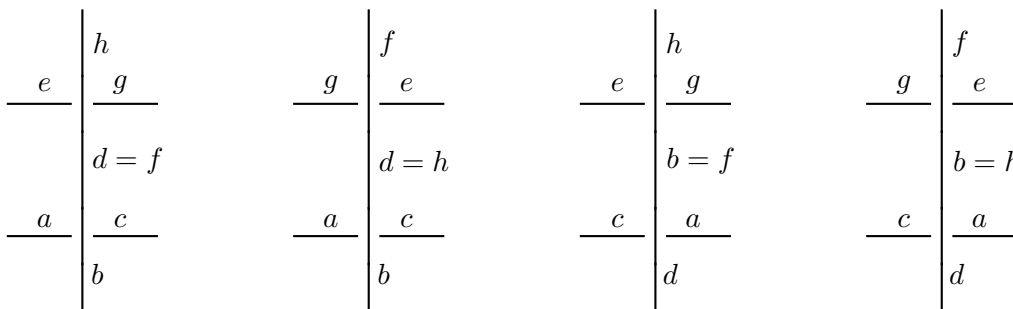
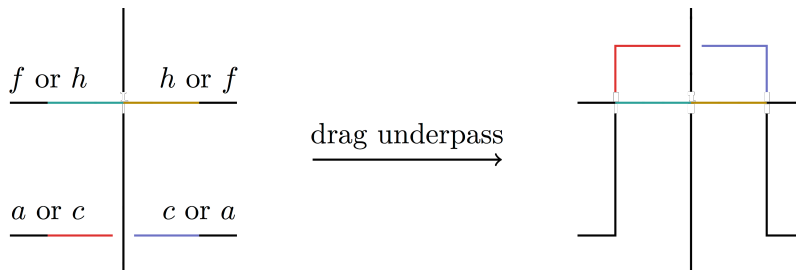


Figure 2.18: Knot segments with ac parallel to eg

We perform “drag the underpass” moves only for crossings arranged such that ac is perpendicular to eg , which as illustrated in 2.17 occurs when $d = e$, $b = e$, $d = g$ or $b = g$. The rationale for this restriction is detailed in section 3.3, and for the remainder of this paper we will focus our discussion on these cases.

A “drag the underpass” move adds three crossings to the knot diagram and removes one crossing, resulting in four new edges in the diagram. This is illustrated in Figure 2.19, where the colored portions of the diagram on the left are the sections of the original diagram that become new edges after dragging the underpass.



Cases $d = e$, $b = e$, $d = g$, and $b = g$

Figure 2.19: Four edges added to a knot diagram by dragging (a, b, c, d) under (e, f, g, h)

Proposition. *When performing a “drag the underpass” move for which the crossing denoted by the PD code tuple (a, b, c, d) is dragged underneath the crossing denoted by the PD code tuple (e, f, g, h) and the crossings (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) are oriented such that one of the following is true: $d = e$, $b = e$, $d = g$, or $b = g$, then the change to the knot diagram can be expressed through the PD code by altering the tuples (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) as detailed in Appendix A and applying the function k to each element of all the other tuples in the PD code where the value of y is determined as discussed in the remark*

on page 26 and k is defined as

$$k(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \leq \min(a, y) \\ x + 2 & \min(a, y) < x \leq \max(a, y) \\ x + 4 & x > \max(a, y) \end{cases}$$

Proof. The general idea is as follows, for which we assume $|f - h| = 1$. When (a, b, c, d) is dragged under (e, f, g, h) , the crossing (a, b, c, d) is eliminated and three new crossings are added to the knot resulting in four new edges, as illustrated in Figure 2.19.

The labels of edges in the diagram remain unchanged until we reach the first new edge, so $x \rightarrow x$ for all $x \leq \min(a, f, h)$.

We then have the first pair of new edges, labeled $\min(a, f, h) + 1$ and $\min(a, f, h) + 2$. The following edge, which was originally labeled $\min(a, f, h) + 1$, is now labeled $\min(a, f, h) + 3$ which is equal to the original label plus 2. We continue re-labeling the diagram by adding 1 to the label of the previous edge. Similarly, the labels of edges after the second pair of new edges are increased by an additional 2, and so $x \rightarrow x + 2$ for all x satisfying $\min(a, f, h) < x \leq \max(a, f, h)$ and $x \rightarrow x + 4$ for all $x > \max(a, f, h)$.

Now consider how the value of $\min(a, f, h)$ affects the labels of the new pairs of edges. If $\min(a, f, h) = a$, then the labels of the first pair of new edges are $a + 1$, $a + 2$ and the labels of the second pair of new edges are $(y + 2) + 1 = y + 3$ and $(y + 2) + 2 = y + 4$, where $y = \min(f, h)$. If $\min(a, f, h) = f$, then the labels of the first pair of new edges are $f + 1$ and $f + 2$ and the labels of the second pair of new edges are $(a + 2) + 1 = a + 3$ and $(a + 2) + 2 = a + 4$. If $\min(a, f, h) = h$, then the labels of the first pair of new edges are $h + 1$ and $h + 2$ and the labels of the second pair of new edges are $(a + 2) + 1 = a + 3$ and $(a + 2) + 2 = a + 4$.

Remark. For the vast majority of labeled diagrams, $|f - h| = 1$ and the label changes described above result in a valid diagram labeling. However, if $f = 1$ and the knot is

oriented such that $h = m$, or if $f = m$ and the knot is oriented such that $h = 1$ (i.e., if $|f - h| \neq 1$), then applying the label changes exactly as described above results in an invalid labeling similar to the invalid labelings considered in sections 2.1 and 2.2.

To avoid these invalid labelings, in the label changes described above we replace $\min(a, f, h)$ with $\min(a, y)$,

$$y = \begin{cases} \min(f, h) & |f - h| = 1 \\ m & |f - h| \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

Careful consideration needs to be given to how the three tuples which replace (a, b, c, d) in the PD code, which correspond to the three new crossings, are expressed and how tuple (e, f, g, h) is changed. There are three factors to consider:

- how (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) are oriented to each other (i.e., which elements of the (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) are equal),
- the order in which edges a, e, y are traveled, and
- the orientation of the knot.

Given these three factors, there are 48 cases to consider which are detailed in Appendix A.

Note that 48 is the result of the combinatorial calculation $4 * 3! * 2$ based on the three factors we must consider:

4 - the number of ways (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) may be oriented to each other.

Recall that for this project we restrict ourselves to “drag the underpass” cases for which one of the following is true: $d = e$, $b = e$, $d = g$, or $b = g$,

3! - the number of ways to choose the order in which edges a, e , and y are traveled, and

2 - the number of options for the orientation of the knot. □

Example 2.1. Consider the labeled diagram of 6_1 in Figure 2.20 which has the PD code $(1, 9, 2, 8)(3, 7, 4, 6)(5, 10, 6, 11)(7, 3, 8, 2)(9, 1, 10, 12)(11, 4, 12, 5)$. We will drag the underpass $(a, b, c, d) = (3, 7, 4, 6)$ along segment 6 underneath the overpass $(e, f, g, h) = (5, 10, 6, 11)$.

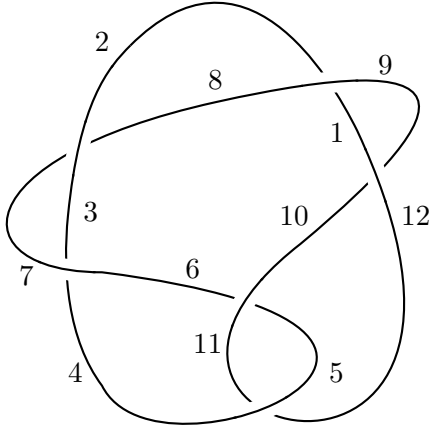


Figure 2.20: A labeled diagram of 6_1

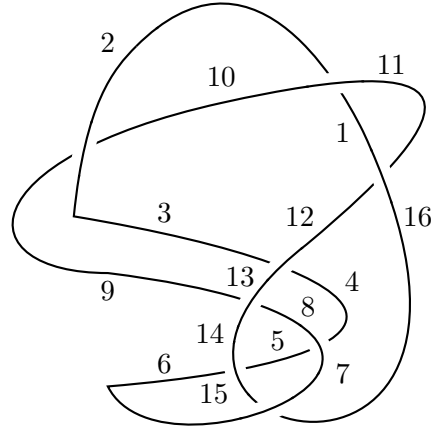


Figure 2.21: A labeled diagram of 6_1 after dragging an underpass

This is the case $d = g$, $a < e < y$ and $y = f$, so from Appendix A we have that the tuples in the PD code change as follows:

$$(3, 7, 4, 6) \rightarrow (3, 13, 4, 12)(4, 8, 5, 7)(5, 14, 6, 3)$$

$$(5, 10, 6, 11) \rightarrow (8, 13, 9, 14)$$

and we apply the function k to each element of all the other tuples where k is defined as

$$k(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \leq 3 \\ x + 2 & 3 < x \leq 10 \\ x + 4 & x > 10 \end{cases}$$

Hence the PD code after dragging the underpass is:

$(1, 11, 2, 10)(3, 13, 4, 12)(4, 8, 5, 7)(5, 14, 6, 15)(8, 13, 9, 14)(9, 3, 10, 2)(11, 1, 12, 16)(15, 6, 16, 7),$

which can be verified with the labeled knot diagram in Figure 2.21.

CHAPTER 3

COMPUTING AN UPPER BOUND ON THE BRIDGE INDEX

We produced a program using Python 2.7 that alters planar diagram codes to mimic the performance of Reidemeister moves of type 1 and 2 and “drag the underpass” moves on knot diagrams to naïvely find an upper bound on the bridge index of prime knots, and in this chapter we will detail how the program works. The source code of this program may be downloaded from <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.999014> and is included in Appendix C.

Remark. *Throughout the rest of this paper we use the term “bridge” to mean a maximal overpass which may have crossings added to it when a sequence of “drag the underpass” moves has been completed.*

The program is restricted from performing Reidemeister moves of type 1 and 2 which would add crossings to the knot. “Drag the underpass” moves which add crossings may be performed, but we restrict the edges to which we may add crossings. This restriction on “drag the underpass” moves is discussed in detail in section 3.3.

3.1 Data structures

The program handles data using two custom object types - a `Knot` and a `Crossing`. The key attributes of the `Knot` object type are described in Table 3.1, and the key attributes of the `Crossing` object type are described in Table 3.2.

Knot attribute	Description
name	a string to identify the knot in the output file
crossings	a list of <code>Crossing</code> objects, one per crossing in the knot diagram
free_crossings	a list of <code>Crossing</code> objects corresponding to the crossings in the knot diagram which are not covered by a bridge
bridges	a dictionary of key:value pairs where keys are integers and values are lists of the PD code label of the first and last edges of a bridge

Table 3.1: Attributes of the `Knot` object type

Crossing attribute	Description
bridge	the key of the element in <code>Knot.bridges</code> which corresponds to the bridge covering this crossing
pd_code	the PD code tuple corresponding to this crossing formatted as a list

Table 3.2: Attributes of the `Crossing` object type

3.2 Processing a planar diagram code

Each PD code in the input file is processed similar to a depth-first search, with the PD code in the input file being the root and each choice of a bridge “T” a branch. The general process is as follows:

A `Knot` object is created and then simplified by Reidemeister moves of type 1 and 2 until no more moves are possible.

```
knot = create_knot_from_pd_code(ast.literal_eval(row['pd_notation']),
    row['name'])
knot.simplify_rm1_rm2_recursively()
```

If there are no crossings remaining, the knot is equivalent to the unknot and the

program moves on to process the next PD code. Otherwise, the program continues by creating a list of all combinations of bridge pair choices that form a “T”. Refer to section 3.3 for details about how bridges are chosen and why we restrict ourselves to selecting bridges that form a “T”.

```

if knot.free_crossings != []:
    base_knot_name = row['name']
    directory = 'knot_trees/' + base_knot_name
    knot.list_bridge_ts(directory, 0)
    ...
else:
    write_output(knot, outfile_name)

```

For each choice of bridge “T”, sequences of “drag the underpass” moves and simplifications by Reidemeister moves of type 1 and 2 are performed until no more moves are possible. Refer to section 3.4 for an explanation of how sequences of “drag the underpass” moves to perform are identified and completed and to section 3.5 for an explanation of how bridges that are simplified away are handled. When no more moves are possible, if all of the crossings are covered by a bridge then the number of bridges is stored in an output file and the processing of this branch is complete. Otherwise, if there is at least one crossing not covered by a bridge, then a list of bridge choices which form a “T” with an existing bridge is created. The process of dragging underpasses, simplifying by Reidemeister moves of types 1 and 2, and generating a list of bridge choices is repeated until all crossings are covered by a bridge and all the combinations of bridge “T” choices have been considered.

```

while knot.free_crossings != []:
    try:
        # Drag underpasses & simplify until no moves are possible.
        args = knot.find_crossing_to_drag()
        knot.drag_crossing_under_bridge_resursively(*args)
        knot.simplify_rm1_rm2_recursively()
    except:
        break
if knot.free_crossings == []:
    write_output(knot, outfile_name)

```

```

else:
    knot.list_bridge_ts(subdir, depth + 1)
    more_to_process = True

```

After all bridge “T” choices for the knot have been considered, the output file is searched for the minimum number of bridges that was recorded and this number is returned as our result.

```

find_minimum_computed_bridge_index()

```

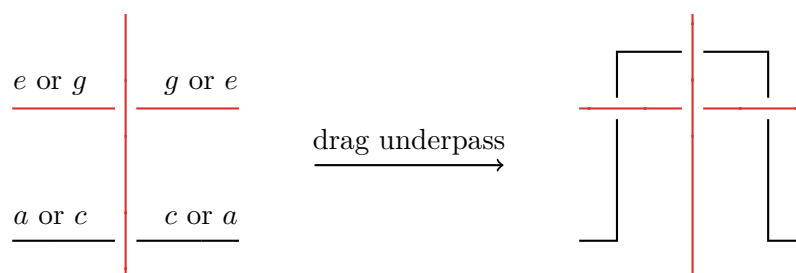
3.3 Choosing overpasses to designate as bridges

As mentioned in section 2.3, the program only performs a “drag the underpass” move for adjacent crossings (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) if one of the following is true: $d = e$, $b = e$, $d = g$, or $b = g$. As illustrated in Figure 3.1, these are the only arrangements of (a, b, c, d) and (e, f, g, h) for which performing a single “drag the underpass” move results in fewer crossings which are not covered by a bridge. We refer to a crossing which is not covered by a bridge as a **free crossing** and a crossing which is covered by a bridge a **bridge crossing**.

To improve the chances to being able to perform a sequence of “drag the underpass” moves to reduce the number of free crossings after designating a new bridge, we designate an overpass as a bridge only if it shares a crossing with an existing bridge and the shared crossing is not at the end of both the overpass and the bridge. This results in selecting overpasses which form a “T” with an existing bridge, as illustrated in Figure 3.2.

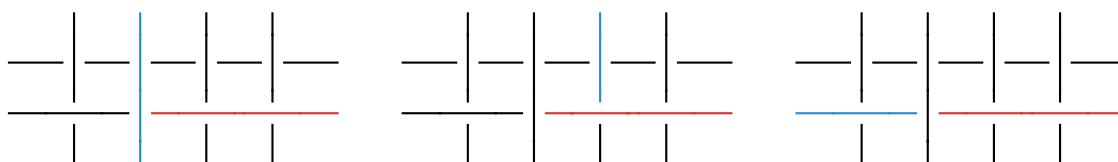


Cases $d = e$, $b = e$, $d = g$, and $b = g$



Cases $d = f$, $b = f$, $d = h$, and $b = h$

Figure 3.1: Bridge designations (denoted by red segments) necessary for new crossings to be covered by a bridge when dragging (a, b, c, d) under (e, f, g, h)



Good choice: The shared crossing is at the end of the bridge (red) but not the end of the overpass (blue)

Good choice: The shared crossing is at the end of the overpass (blue) but not the end of the bridge (red)

Poor choice: The shared crossing is at the end of the bridge (red) and the end of the overpass (blue)

Figure 3.2: Segment arrangements to consider when designating an overpass as a bridge

The method `Knot.list_bridge_ts()` generates a list of all “good” choices for overpasses to designate as a bridge based on the bridges that have already been designated. If no bridges have been designated, the list of overpasses to designate as bridges is each pair of overpasses that intersect at a crossing.

```

for a,b in itertools.combinations(self.free_crossings, 2):
    if list(set(a.pd_code).intersection(b.pd_code)):
        name = self.name + '_tree_' + str(i) + depth_suffix
        e,f,g,h = a.pd_code
        p,q,r,s = b.pd_code
        bridges = {0:[f,h], 1:[q,s]}

```

If bridges have been designated, the list of overpasses to designate as a bridge is all free crossings which share an edge with bridge crossing.

```

for a,b in itertools.product(self.bridge_crossings(),self.free_crossings):
    knot_copy = copy.deepcopy(self)
    if list(set(a.pd_code).intersection(b.pd_code)):
        knot_copy.designate_bridge(b)

```

3.4 Finding crossings for “drag the underpass” moves

Once bridges have been designated for a knot, “drag the underpass” moves may be performed. A naïve approach to performing “drag the underpass” moves is to try to drag each crossing which is not covered by a bridge. However, since our goal is to reduce the number of free crossings and dragging crossing (a, b, c, d) results in fewer free crossings only if the other crossing containing b or d is the intersection of two bridges and not the end of both bridges (refer to section 3.3), we can more efficiently choose crossings to drag.

A free crossings which can be eliminated by performing a sequence of “drag the underpass” moves can be found as follows, which is illustrated in Figure 3.3:

1. Beginning from the stem of a bridge “T”, travel toward the cross bar of the “T” and continue traveling in this direction until a free crossing is reached. Let the PD code tuple of this free crossing be denoted by (a, b, c, d) .

2. If b or d is the edge of the free crossing reached when traveling from the “T” stem, then crossing (a, b, c, d) can be dragged back along the edges traveled, under the cross bar of the bridge “T”, stopping under the stem of the bridge “T”.

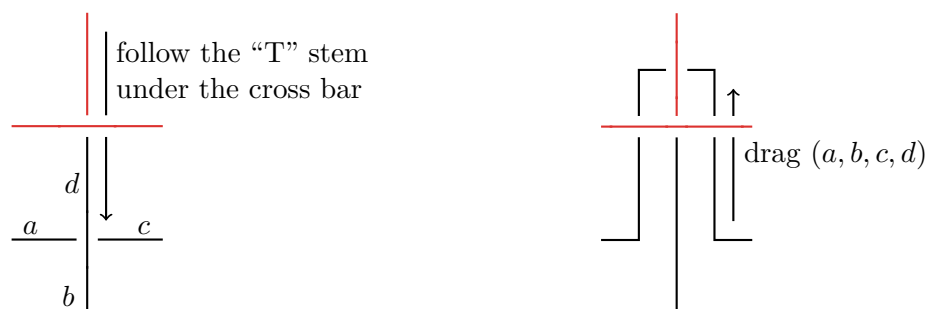


Figure 3.3: Follow a bridge “T” stem to the next free crossing and drag the free crossing back under the “T” stem

Note that a sequence of “drag the underpass” moves may be performed to drag (a, b, c, d) under multiple bridges on the way to a “T” stem, as illustrated in Figure 3.4.

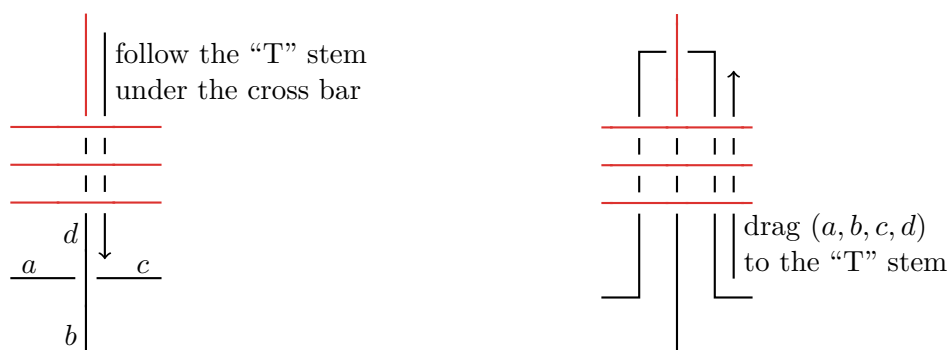


Figure 3.4: Drag a free crossing under multiple bridges to a bridge “T” stem

The method in the program which finds crossings to drag, `Knot.find_crossing_to_drag()`, does not necessarily find the most shortest sequence of “drag the underpass” moves necessarily to eliminate a free crossing. For example, given the knot segment in Figure 3.5 where the colored edges are bridges,

`Knot.find_crossing_to_drag()` may follow the blue “T” stem and find that the free crossing can be dragged under the blue “T” stem by performing a sequence of 3 “drag the underpass” moves - one move for each bridge crossing traveled under as the bridge “T” stem is followed in search of a free crossing to drag. We call this number the **drag count**.

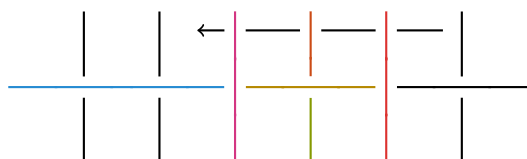


Figure 3.5: A free crossing found with a drag count of 3

However, as illustrated in Figure 3.6, only one “drag the underpass” move is necessary to eliminate the free crossing. Hence the drag count is only an upper bound on the number of “drag the underpass” moves necessary to eliminate a free crossing.



Figure 3.6: A free crossing eliminated with fewer “drag the underpass” moves than the drag count

To avoid unnecessarily adding crossings, we stop dragging the crossing once it is covered by a bridge, even if the number of “drag the underpass” moves performed is less than the drag count.

```
def drag_crossing_under_bridge_resursively(self, crossing_to_drag,
    adjacent_segment, drag_count):
    while (drag_count > 0):
        crossing_to_drag, adjacent_segment = self.drag_crossing_under_bridge(
            crossing_to_drag, adjacent_segment)
        drag_count -= 1
    # Stop if the crossing being dragged has been assigned to a bridge.
```

```

if crossing_to_drag.bridge:
    break;

```

3.5 Checking for bridges eliminated by Reidemeister moves

Recall from section 3.1 that `Knot.bridges` is a dictionary of key:value pairs where keys are integers and values are lists of the PD code labels of the first and last edges of a bridge. As an example, `Knot.bridges == {0:[3,4], 1:[9,10], 2:[5,7]}` for the labeled diagram in Figure 3.7. Note that the integer used for each key is not important so long as the keys are unique and the order of the PD code labels in each values list does not matter.

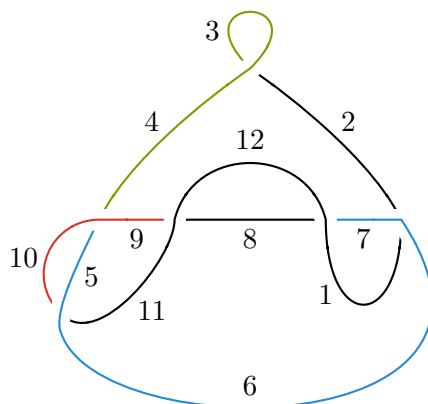
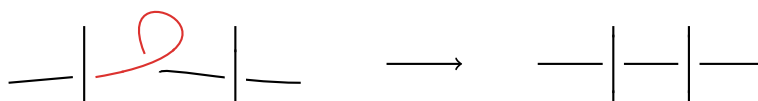
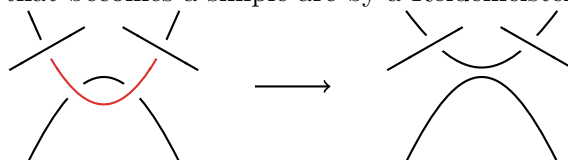


Figure 3.7: A knot diagram with several bridges (colored sections)

When a Reidemeister move of type 1 or 2 or a “drag the underpass” move is performed, the PD code labels stored in `Knot.bridges` are updated just as all of the labels in the PD code are updated. A bridge may become a simple arc (i.e., no longer pass over other strands of the knot) as illustrated in Figure 3.8 or be merged with another bridge as illustrated in Figure 3.9 when a Reidemeister move of type 1 or 2 is performed. We can determine if either of these changes has occurred by inspecting the elements in `Knot.bridges` and then must prune the elements of `Knot.bridges` accordingly.

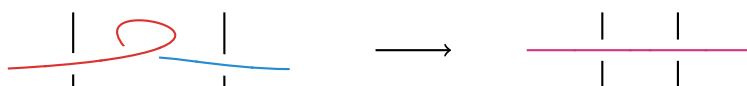


A bridge (red) that becomes a simple arc by a Reidemeister move of type 1

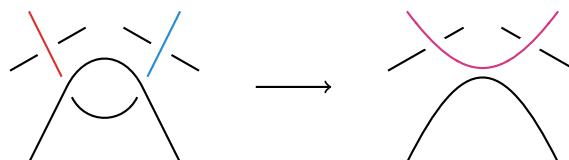


A bridge (red) that becomes a simple arc by a Reidemeister move of type 2

Figure 3.8: Bridges that become simple arcs by a Reidemeister move



Two bridges (red and blue) that become one bridge (purple) by a Reidemeister move of type 1



Two bridges (red and blue) that become one bridge (purple) by a Reidemeister move of type 2

Figure 3.9: Bridges that become one by a Reidemeister move

When a bridge becomes a simple arc, both of the PD code values stored in the corresponding element of `Knot.bridges` are equal. As an example, consider how the value of `Knot.bridges` corresponding to the labeled diagram in Figure 3.10 changes when the bridge covering crossing $(2, 3, 3, 4)$ is eliminated via a Reidemeister move of type 1. Initially, `Knot.bridges == {0:[3,4], 1:[9,10], 2:[5,7]}`. When the loop at crossing $(2, 3, 3, 4)$ is eliminated, `Knot.bridges` becomes `{0:[2,2], 1:[7,8], 2:[3,5]}`. The PD code values in the element corresponding to the bridge which had covered crossing

$(2, 3, 3, 4)$ are equal, indicating that the bridge has become a simple arc. Since the bridge no longer exists, the corresponding element is removed from `Knot.bridges` and the value of `Knot.bridges` becomes $\{1: [7, 8], 2: [3, 5]\}$.

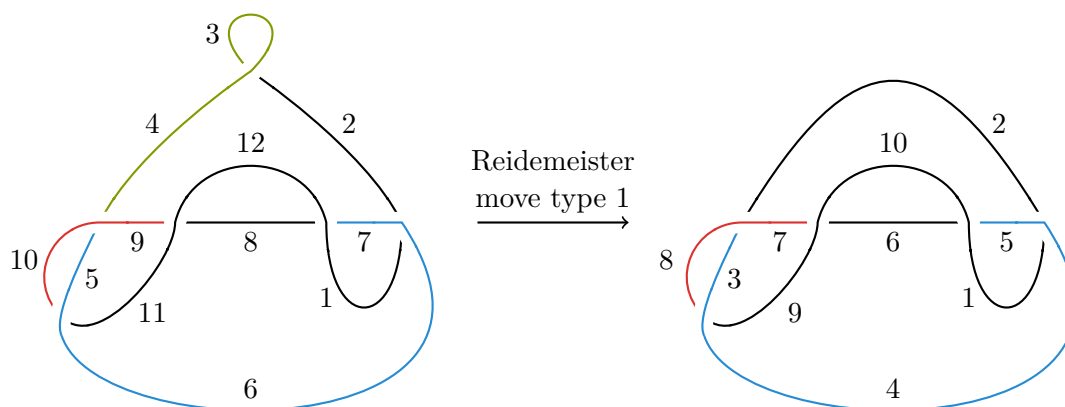


Figure 3.10: A bridge becomes a simple arc when a Reidemeister move of type 1 is performed

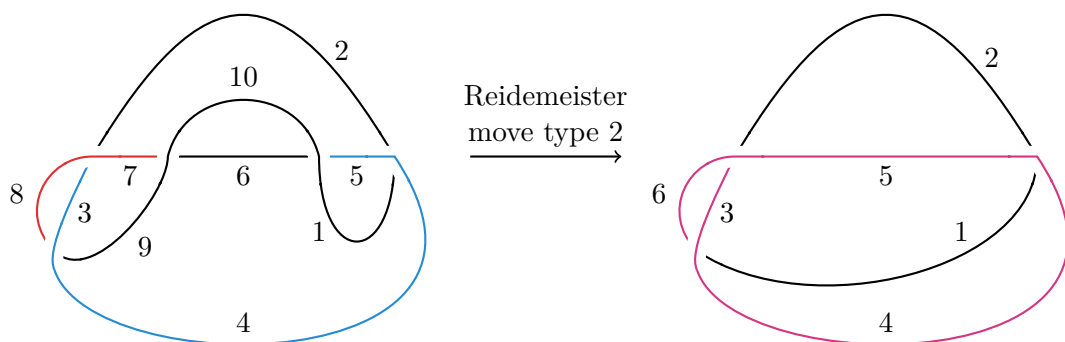


Figure 3.11: Bridges merged when a Reidemeister move of type 2 is performed

When two bridges are merged together, there is a shared value in their corresponding lists of PD code values in `Knot.bridges`. Continuing with the results of the previous example, consider how the value of `Knot.bridges` corresponding to the labeled diagram in Figure 3.11 changes when the red and blue bridges are merged together.

Initially the value of `Knot.bridges` is `{1:[7,8], 2:[3,5]}`. When edges 10 and 6 are eliminated via a Reidemeister move of type 2, `Knot.bridges` becomes `{1:[5,6], 2:[3,5]}`. The PD code value 5 is in each element of `Knot.bridges`, indicating that the bridges share an end and have been merged together. Since the bridges have been merged together, one of the elements containing in `Knot.bridges` containing 5 is removed and the value of `Knot.bridges` becomes `{1:[3,6]}`. Also, the `Crossing` objects for which `Crossing.bridge == 2` are updated so that `Crossing.bridge == 1`.

CHAPTER 4

RESULTS

The results of our program's computation of the upper bound on the bridge index of each prime knot with 3 through 12 crossings is given in Appendix B. These results are equal to the values published on Knotinfo [4] for prime knots with 3 through 11 crossings, which have been verified and accepted by the mathematics community. Our results also verify the values of the bridge indices of prime knots with 12 crossings which were published by Ryan Blair et al [3] while this project was in progress.

CHAPTER 5

FUTURE WORK

1. Automatically run `analyze_output.py` when `bridge_computation.py` is run.
2. Delete the csv files output by `bridge_computation.py` once they have been processed by `analyze_output.py`.
3. A combination of items 1 and 2 above, it would be ideal to run the process of `analyze_output.py` and clean up the csv files output by `bridge_computation.py` as each line in the input CSV file is processed to reduce the storage space necessary to run the program.
4. Return 1 as the number of bridges if `Knot.bridges` is empty, since by definition the bridge index of the unknot is 1 and not 0.
5. Validate the PD codes provided in the input CSV file.
6. How does the output of the program for prime knots with more than 12 crossings compare to the bridge indexes published by Ryan Blair, et al.[3] or others?
7. Can it be proven (or disproven) that the number of bridges output by the program for a particular knot is the bridge index of the knot?
8. Does the program successfully process links which have more than one component?
9. The program currently requires that the tuples in the PD codes input are ordered according to the order the crossings of the knot are traversed. While it is common practice to order the tuples in a PD code in this manner, it is not necessary. Adjust the methods which identify if a Reidemeister move or “drag the underpass” move can be performed to not require that the tuples be in any particular order.

10. We chose to designate an overpass as a bridge only if the overpass formed as “T” with a bridge to minimize the chances of designating a bridge which later becomes a simple arc or is merged with another bridge. For each knot diagram, what is the maximum number of overpasses which can be designated as a bridge without forming a “T”. Is this number meaningful in any way?

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APPENDIX A
ALTERATIONS TO PD CODE TUPLES (A, B, C, D) AND (E, F, G, H) WHEN
DRAGGING AN UNDERPASS

Let m denote the maximum value of the elements in the planar diagram code before the drag the underpass move is preformed, and let y denote the element f or h we travel from toward the other assuming that we start traveling the diagram from the edge labeled 1. If $|f - h| = 1$, then $y = \min(f, h)$. Otherwise $\min(f, h) = 1$ and $\max(f, h) = m$, in which case $y = m$.

Case $d = e, a < e < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f + 4, a + 1, (f + 5) \bmod m)(a + 1, e + 2, a + 2, g + 2)(a + 2, f + 3, a + 3, f + 2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 2, f + 3, e + 2, f + 4)$$

Case $d = e, a < e < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h + 3, a + 1, h + 2)(a + 1, e + 2, a + 2, g + 2)(a + 2, h + 4, a + 3, (h + 5) \bmod m)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 2, h + 4, e + 2, h + 3)$$

Case $d = e, a < y < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f + 4, a + 1, (f + 5) \bmod m)(a + 1, e + 4, a + 2, g + 4)(a + 2, f + 3, a + 3, f + 2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 4, f + 3, e + 4, f + 4)$$

Case $d = e, a < y < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h + 3, a + 1, h + 2)(a + 1, e + 4, a + 2, g + 4)(a + 2, h + 4, a + 3, (h + 5) \bmod m)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 4, h + 4, e + 4, h + 3)$$

Case $d = e, e < a < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f + 4, a + 1, (f + 5) \bmod m)(a + 1, e, a + 2, g)(a + 2, f + 3, a + 3, f + 2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b, f + 3, e, f + 4)$$

Case $d = e, e < a < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h + 3, a + 1, h + 2)(a + 1, e, a + 2, g)(a + 2, h + 4, a + 3, (h + 5) \bmod m)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b, h + 4, e, h + 3)$$

Case $d = e, e < y < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, f + 2, a + 3, f + 3)(a + 3, e, a + 4, g)(a + 4, f + 1, (a + 5) \bmod m, f)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b, f + 1, e, f + 2)$$

Case $d = e, e < y < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, h + 1, a + 3, h)(a + 3, e, a + 4, g)(a + 4, h + 2, (a + 5) \bmod m, h + 3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b, h + 2, e, h + 1)$$

Case $d = e, y < a < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, f + 2, a + 3, f + 3)(a + 3, e + 4, a + 4, g + 4)(a + 4, f + 1, (a + 5) \bmod m, f)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 4, f + 1, e + 4, f + 2)$$

Case $d = e, y < a < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, h + 1, a + 3, h)(a + 3, e + 4, a + 4, g + 4)(a + 4, h + 2, (a + 5) \bmod m, h + 3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 4, h + 2, e + 4, h + 1)$$

Case $d = e, y < e < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, f + 2, a + 3, f + 3)(a + 3, e + 2, a + 4, g + 2)(a + 4, f + 1, (a + 5) \bmod m, f)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 2, f + 1, e + 2, f + 2)$$

Case $d = e, y < e < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, h + 1, a + 3, h)(a + 3, e + 2, a + 4, g + 2)(a + 4, h + 2, (a + 5) \bmod m, h + 3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (b + 2, h + 2, e + 2, h + 1)$$

Case $b = e, a < e < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f + 2, a + 1, f + 3)(a + 1, g + 2, a + 2, e + 2)(a + 2, (f + 5) \bmod m, a + 3, f + 4)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d + 2, f + 3, e + 2, f + 4)$$

Case $b = e, a < e < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, (h+5) \bmod m, a+1, h+4)(a+1, g+2, a+2, e+2)(a+2, h+2, a+3, h+3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d+2, h+4, e+2, h+3)$$

Case $b = e, a < y < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f+2, a+1, f+3)(a+1, g+4, a+2, e+4)(a+2, (f+5) \bmod m, a+3, f+4)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d+4, f+3, e+4, f+4)$$

Case $b = e, a < y < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, (h+5) \bmod m, a+1, h+4)(a+1, g+4, a+2, e+4)(a+2, h+2, a+3, h+3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d+4, h+4, e+4, h+3)$$

Case $b = e, e < a < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f+2, a+1, f+3)(a+1, g, a+2, e)(a+2, (f+5) \bmod m, a+3, f+4)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d, f+3, e, f+4)$$

Case $b = e, e < a < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, (h+5) \bmod m, a+1, h+4)(a+1, g, a+2, e)(a+2, h+2, a+3, h+3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d, h+4, e, h+3)$$

Case $b = e, e < y < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, f, a+3, f+1)(a+3, g, a+4, e)(a+4, f+3, (a+5) \bmod m, f+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d, f+1, e, f+2)$$

Case $b = e, e < y < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, h+3, a+3, h+2)(a+3, g, a+4, e)(a+4, h, (a+5) \bmod m, h+1)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d, h+2, e, h+1)$$

Case $b = e, y < a < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, f, a+3, f+1)(a+3, g+4, a+4, e+4)(a+4, f+3, (a+5) \bmod m, f+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d+4, f+1, e+4, f+2)$$

Case $b = e, y < a < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, h+3, a+3, h+2)(a+3, g+4, a+4, e+4)(a+4, h, (a+5) \bmod m, h+1)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d+4, h+2, e+4, h+1)$$

Case $b = e, y < e < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, f, a+3, f+1)(a+3, g+2, a+4, e+2)(a+4, f+3, (a+5) \bmod m, f+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d+2, f+1, e+2, f+2)$$

Case $b = e, y < e < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, h+3, a+3, h+2)(a+3, g+2, a+4, e+2)(a+4, h, (a+5) \bmod m, h+1)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (d+2, h+2, e+2, h+1)$$

Case $d = g, a < e < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f+3, a+1, f+2)(a+1, g+2, a+2, e+2)(a+2, f+4, a+3, (f+5) \bmod m)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+2, f+3, b+2, f+4)$$

Case $d = g, a < e < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h+4, a+1, (h+5) \bmod m)(a+1, g+2, a+2, e+2)(a+2, h+3, a+3, h+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+2, h+4, b+2, h+3)$$

Case $d = g, a < y < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f+3, a+1, f+2)(a+1, g+4, a+2, e+4)(a+2, f+4, a+3, (f+5) \bmod m)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+4, f+3, b+4, f+4)$$

Case $d = g, a < y < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h+4, a+1, (h+5) \bmod m)(a+1, g+4, a+2, e+4)(a+2, h+3, a+3, h+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+4, h+4, b+4, h+3)$$

Case $d = g, e < a < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, f+3, a+1, f+2)(a+1, g, a+2, e)(a+2, f+4, a+3, (f+5) \bmod m)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, f+3, b, f+4)$$

Case $d = g, e < a < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h + 4, a + 1, (h + 5) \bmod m)(a + 1, g, a + 2, e)(a + 2, h + 3, a + 3, h + 2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, h + 4, b, h + 3)$$

Case $d = g, e < y < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, f + 1, a + 3, f)(a + 3, g, a + 4, e)(a + 4, f + 2, (a + 5) \bmod m, f + 3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, f + 1, b, f + 2)$$

Case $d = g, e < y < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, h + 2, a + 3, h + 3)(a + 3, g, a + 4, e)(a + 4, h + 1, (a + 5) \bmod m, h)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, h + 2, b, h + 1)$$

Case $d = g, y < a < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, f + 1, a + 3, f)(a + 3, g + 4, a + 4, e + 4)(a + 4, f + 2, (a + 5) \bmod m, f + 3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g + 4, f + 1, b + 4, f + 2)$$

Case $d = g, y < a < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, h + 2, a + 3, h + 3)(a + 3, g + 4, a + 4, e + 4)(a + 4, h + 1, (a + 5) \bmod m, h)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g + 4, h + 2, b + 4, h + 1)$$

Case $d = g, y < e < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, f + 1, a + 3, f)(a + 3, g + 2, a + 4, e + 2)(a + 4, f + 2, (a + 5) \bmod m, f + 3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g + 2, f + 1, b + 2, f + 2)$$

Case $d = g, y < e < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a + 2, h + 2, a + 3, h + 3)(a + 3, g + 2, a + 4, e + 2)(a + 4, h + 1, (a + 5) \bmod m, h)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g + 2, h + 2, b + 2, h + 1)$$

Case $b = g, a < e < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, (f + 5) \bmod m, a + 1, f + 4)(a + 1, e + 2, a + 2, g + 2)(a + 2, f + 2, a + 3, f + 3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g + 2, f + 3, d + 2, f + 4)$$

Case $b = g, a < e < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h+2, a+1, h+3)(a+1, e+2, a+2, g+2)(a+2, (h+5) \bmod m, a+3, h+4)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+2, h+4, d+2, h+3)$$

Case $b = g, a < y < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, (f+5) \bmod m, a+1, f+4)(a+1, e+4, a+2, g+4)(a+2, f+2, a+3, f+3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+4, f+3, d+4, f+4)$$

Case $b = g, a < y < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h+2, a+1, h+3)(a+1, e+4, a+2, g+4)(a+2, (h+5) \bmod m, a+3, h+4)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+4, h+4, d+4, h+3)$$

Case $b = g, e < a < y, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, (f+5) \bmod m, a+1, f+4)(a+1, e, a+2, g)(a+2, f+2, a+3, f+3)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, f+3, d, f+4)$$

Case $b = g, e < a < y, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a, h+2, a+1, h+3)(a+1, e, a+2, g)(a+2, (h+5) \bmod m, a+3, h+4)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, h+4, d, h+3)$$

Case $b = g, e < y < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, f+3, a+3, f+2)(a+3, e, a+4, g)(a+4, f, (a+5) \bmod m, f+1)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, f+1, d, f+2)$$

Case $b = g, e < y < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, h, a+3, h+1)(a+3, e, a+4, g)(a+4, h+3, (a+5) \bmod m, h+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g, h+2, d, h+1)$$

Case $b = g, y < a < e, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, f+3, a+3, f+2)(a+3, e+4, a+4, g+4)(a+4, f, (a+5) \bmod m, f+1)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+4, f+1, d+4, f+2)$$

Case $b = g, y < a < e, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, h, a+3, h+1)(a+3, e+4, a+4, g+4)(a+4, h+3, (a+5) \bmod m, h+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+4, h+2, d+4, h+1)$$

Case $b = g, y < e < a, y = f$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, f+3, a+3, f+2)(a+3, e+2, a+4, g+2)(a+4, f, (a+5) \bmod m, f+1)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+2, f+1, d+2, f+2)$$

Case $b = g, y < e < a, y = h$:

$$(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (a+2, h, a+3, h+1)(a+3, e+2, a+4, g+2)(a+4, h+3, (a+5) \bmod m, h+2)$$

$$(e, f, g, h) \rightarrow (g+2, h+2, d+2, h+1)$$

APPENDIX B
COMPUTED UPPER BOUNDS OF BRIDGE INDEXES

Table B.1: Computed bridge index of prime knots with 3 through 9 crossings

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
3 ₀₀₀₁	2	8 ₀₀₀₈	2	9 ₀₀₀₈	2	9 ₀₀₂₉	3
4 ₀₀₀₁	2	8 ₀₀₀₉	2	9 ₀₀₀₉	2	9 ₀₀₃₀	3
5 ₀₀₀₁	2	8 ₀₀₁₀	3	9 ₀₀₁₀	2	9 ₀₀₃₁	2
5 ₀₀₀₂	2	8 ₀₀₁₁	2	9 ₀₀₁₁	2	9 ₀₀₃₂	3
6 ₀₀₀₁	2	8 ₀₀₁₂	2	9 ₀₀₁₂	2	9 ₀₀₃₃	3
6 ₀₀₀₂	2	8 ₀₀₁₃	2	9 ₀₀₁₃	2	9 ₀₀₃₄	3
6 ₀₀₀₃	2	8 ₀₀₁₄	2	9 ₀₀₁₄	2	9 ₀₀₃₅	3
7 ₀₀₀₁	2	8 ₀₀₁₅	3	9 ₀₀₁₅	2	9 ₀₀₃₆	3
7 ₀₀₀₂	2	8 ₀₀₁₆	3	9 ₀₀₁₆	3	9 ₀₀₃₇	3
7 ₀₀₀₃	2	8 ₀₀₁₇	3	9 ₀₀₁₇	2	9 ₀₀₃₈	3
7 ₀₀₀₄	2	8 ₀₀₁₈	3	9 ₀₀₁₈	2	9 ₀₀₃₉	3
7 ₀₀₀₅	2	8 ₀₀₁₉	3	9 ₀₀₁₉	2	9 ₀₀₄₀	3
7 ₀₀₀₆	2	8 ₀₀₂₀	3	9 ₀₀₂₀	2	9 ₀₀₄₁	3
7 ₀₀₀₇	2	8 ₀₀₂₁	3	9 ₀₀₂₁	2	9 ₀₀₄₂	3
8 ₀₀₀₁	2	9 ₀₀₀₁	2	9 ₀₀₂₂	3	9 ₀₀₄₃	3
8 ₀₀₀₂	2	9 ₀₀₀₂	2	9 ₀₀₂₃	2	9 ₀₀₄₄	3
8 ₀₀₀₃	2	9 ₀₀₀₃	2	9 ₀₀₂₄	3	9 ₀₀₄₅	3
8 ₀₀₀₄	2	9 ₀₀₀₄	2	9 ₀₀₂₅	3	9 ₀₀₄₆	3
8 ₀₀₀₅	3	9 ₀₀₀₅	2	9 ₀₀₂₆	2	9 ₀₀₄₇	3
8 ₀₀₀₆	2	9 ₀₀₀₆	2	9 ₀₀₂₇	2	9 ₀₀₄₈	3
8 ₀₀₀₇	2	9 ₀₀₀₇	2	9 ₀₀₂₈	3	9 ₀₀₄₉	3

Table B.2: Computed bridge index of prime knots with 10 crossings

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
10 ₀₀₀₁	2	10 ₀₀₂₅	2	10 ₀₀₄₉	3	10 ₀₀₇₃	3
10 ₀₀₀₂	2	10 ₀₀₂₆	2	10 ₀₀₅₀	3	10 ₀₀₇₄	3
10 ₀₀₀₃	2	10 ₀₀₂₇	2	10 ₀₀₅₁	3	10 ₀₀₇₅	3
10 ₀₀₀₄	2	10 ₀₀₂₈	2	10 ₀₀₅₂	3	10 ₀₀₇₆	3
10 ₀₀₀₅	2	10 ₀₀₂₉	2	10 ₀₀₅₃	3	10 ₀₀₇₇	3
10 ₀₀₀₆	2	10 ₀₀₃₀	2	10 ₀₀₅₄	3	10 ₀₀₇₈	3
10 ₀₀₀₇	2	10 ₀₀₃₁	2	10 ₀₀₅₅	3	10 ₀₀₇₉	3
10 ₀₀₀₈	2	10 ₀₀₃₂	2	10 ₀₀₅₆	3	10 ₀₀₈₀	3
10 ₀₀₀₉	2	10 ₀₀₃₃	2	10 ₀₀₅₇	3	10 ₀₀₈₁	3
10 ₀₀₁₀	2	10 ₀₀₃₄	2	10 ₀₀₅₈	3	10 ₀₀₈₂	3
10 ₀₀₁₁	2	10 ₀₀₃₅	2	10 ₀₀₅₉	3	10 ₀₀₈₃	3
10 ₀₀₁₂	2	10 ₀₀₃₆	2	10 ₀₀₆₀	3	10 ₀₀₈₄	3
10 ₀₀₁₃	2	10 ₀₀₃₇	2	10 ₀₀₆₁	3	10 ₀₀₈₅	3
10 ₀₀₁₄	2	10 ₀₀₃₈	2	10 ₀₀₆₂	3	10 ₀₀₈₆	3
10 ₀₀₁₅	2	10 ₀₀₃₉	2	10 ₀₀₆₃	3	10 ₀₀₈₇	3
10 ₀₀₁₆	2	10 ₀₀₄₀	2	10 ₀₀₆₄	3	10 ₀₀₈₈	3
10 ₀₀₁₇	2	10 ₀₀₄₁	2	10 ₀₀₆₅	3	10 ₀₀₈₉	3
10 ₀₀₁₈	2	10 ₀₀₄₂	2	10 ₀₀₆₆	3	10 ₀₀₉₀	3
10 ₀₀₁₉	2	10 ₀₀₄₃	2	10 ₀₀₆₇	3	10 ₀₀₉₁	3
10 ₀₀₂₀	2	10 ₀₀₄₄	2	10 ₀₀₆₈	3	10 ₀₀₉₂	3
10 ₀₀₂₁	2	10 ₀₀₄₅	2	10 ₀₀₆₉	3	10 ₀₀₉₃	3
10 ₀₀₂₂	2	10 ₀₀₄₆	3	10 ₀₀₇₀	3	10 ₀₀₉₄	3
10 ₀₀₂₃	2	10 ₀₀₄₇	3	10 ₀₀₇₁	3	10 ₀₀₉₅	3
10 ₀₀₂₄	2	10 ₀₀₄₈	3	10 ₀₀₇₂	3	10 ₀₀₉₆	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
10 ₀₀₉₇	3	10 ₀₁₁₅	3	10 ₀₁₃₃	3	10 ₀₁₅₁	3
10 ₀₀₉₈	3	10 ₀₁₁₆	3	10 ₀₁₃₄	3	10 ₀₁₅₂	3
10 ₀₀₉₉	3	10 ₀₁₁₇	3	10 ₀₁₃₅	3	10 ₀₁₅₃	3
10 ₀₁₀₀	3	10 ₀₁₁₈	3	10 ₀₁₃₆	3	10 ₀₁₅₄	3
10 ₀₁₀₁	3	10 ₀₁₁₉	3	10 ₀₁₃₇	3	10 ₀₁₅₅	3
10 ₀₁₀₂	3	10 ₀₁₂₀	3	10 ₀₁₃₈	3	10 ₀₁₅₆	3
10 ₀₁₀₃	3	10 ₀₁₂₁	3	10 ₀₁₃₉	3	10 ₀₁₅₇	3
10 ₀₁₀₄	3	10 ₀₁₂₂	3	10 ₀₁₄₀	3	10 ₀₁₅₈	3
10 ₀₁₀₅	3	10 ₀₁₂₃	3	10 ₀₁₄₁	3	10 ₀₁₅₉	3
10 ₀₁₀₆	3	10 ₀₁₂₄	3	10 ₀₁₄₂	3	10 ₀₁₆₀	3
10 ₀₁₀₇	3	10 ₀₁₂₅	3	10 ₀₁₄₃	3	10 ₀₁₆₁	3
10 ₀₁₀₈	3	10 ₀₁₂₆	3	10 ₀₁₄₄	3	10 ₀₁₆₂	3
10 ₀₁₀₉	3	10 ₀₁₂₇	3	10 ₀₁₄₅	3	10 ₀₁₆₃	3
10 ₀₁₁₀	3	10 ₀₁₂₈	3	10 ₀₁₄₆	3	10 ₀₁₆₄	3
10 ₀₁₁₁	3	10 ₀₁₂₉	3	10 ₀₁₄₇	3	10 ₀₁₆₅	3
10 ₀₁₁₂	3	10 ₀₁₃₀	3	10 ₀₁₄₈	3		
10 ₀₁₁₃	3	10 ₀₁₃₁	3	10 ₀₁₄₉	3		
10 ₀₁₁₄	3	10 ₀₁₃₂	3	10 ₀₁₅₀	3		

Table B.3: Computed bridge index of alternating prime knots with 11 crossings

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
11a0001	3	11a0026	3	11a0051	3	11a0076	3
11a0002	3	11a0027	3	11a0052	3	11a0077	2
11a0003	3	11a0028	3	11a0053	3	11a0078	3
11a0004	3	11a0029	3	11a0054	3	11a0079	3
11a0005	3	11a0030	3	11a0055	3	11a0080	3
11a0006	3	11a0031	3	11a0056	3	11a0081	3
11a0007	3	11a0032	3	11a0057	4	11a0082	3
11a0008	3	11a0033	3	11a0058	3	11a0083	3
11a0009	3	11a0034	3	11a0059	2	11a0084	2
11a0010	3	11a0035	3	11a0060	3	11a0085	2
11a0011	3	11a0036	3	11a0061	3	11a0086	3
11a0012	3	11a0037	3	11a0062	3	11a0087	3
11a0013	2	11a0038	3	11a0063	3	11a0088	3
11a0014	3	11a0039	3	11a0064	3	11a0089	2
11a0015	3	11a0040	3	11a0065	2	11a0090	2
11a0016	3	11a0041	3	11a0066	3	11a0091	2
11a0017	3	11a0042	3	11a0067	3	11a0092	3
11a0018	3	11a0043	4	11a0068	3	11a0093	2
11a0019	3	11a0044	4	11a0069	3	11a0094	3
11a0020	3	11a0045	3	11a0070	3	11a0095	2
11a0021	3	11a0046	3	11a0071	3	11a0096	2
11a0022	3	11a0047	4	11a0072	3	11a0097	3
11a0023	3	11a0048	3	11a0073	3	11a0098	2
11a0024	3	11a0049	3	11a0074	3	11a0099	3
11a0025	3	11a0050	3	11a0075	2	11a0100	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
11a ₀₁₀₁	3	11a ₀₁₂₈	3	11a ₀₁₅₅	3	11a ₀₁₈₂	2
11a ₀₁₀₂	3	11a ₀₁₂₉	3	11a ₀₁₅₆	3	11a ₀₁₈₃	2
11a ₀₁₀₃	3	11a ₀₁₃₀	3	11a ₀₁₅₇	3	11a ₀₁₈₄	2
11a ₀₁₀₄	3	11a ₀₁₃₁	3	11a ₀₁₅₈	3	11a ₀₁₈₅	2
11a ₀₁₀₅	3	11a ₀₁₃₂	3	11a ₀₁₅₉	2	11a ₀₁₈₆	2
11a ₀₁₀₆	3	11a ₀₁₃₃	3	11a ₀₁₆₀	3	11a ₀₁₈₇	3
11a ₀₁₀₇	3	11a ₀₁₃₄	3	11a ₀₁₆₁	3	11a ₀₁₈₈	2
11a ₀₁₀₈	3	11a ₀₁₃₅	3	11a ₀₁₆₂	3	11a ₀₁₈₉	3
11a ₀₁₀₉	3	11a ₀₁₃₆	3	11a ₀₁₆₃	3	11a ₀₁₉₀	2
11a ₀₁₁₀	2	11a ₀₁₃₇	3	11a ₀₁₆₄	3	11a ₀₁₉₁	2
11a ₀₁₁₁	2	11a ₀₁₃₈	3	11a ₀₁₆₅	3	11a ₀₁₉₂	2
11a ₀₁₁₂	3	11a ₀₁₃₉	3	11a ₀₁₆₆	2	11a ₀₁₉₃	2
11a ₀₁₁₃	3	11a ₀₁₄₀	2	11a ₀₁₆₇	3	11a ₀₁₉₄	3
11a ₀₁₁₄	3	11a ₀₁₄₁	3	11a ₀₁₆₈	3	11a ₀₁₉₅	2
11a ₀₁₁₅	3	11a ₀₁₄₂	3	11a ₀₁₆₉	3	11a ₀₁₉₆	3
11a ₀₁₁₆	3	11a ₀₁₄₃	3	11a ₀₁₇₀	3	11a ₀₁₉₇	3
11a ₀₁₁₇	2	11a ₀₁₄₄	2	11a ₀₁₇₁	3	11a ₀₁₉₈	3
11a ₀₁₁₈	3	11a ₀₁₄₅	2	11a ₀₁₇₂	3	11a ₀₁₉₉	3
11a ₀₁₁₉	2	11a ₀₁₄₆	3	11a ₀₁₇₃	3	11a ₀₂₀₀	3
11a ₀₁₂₀	2	11a ₀₁₄₇	3	11a ₀₁₇₄	2	11a ₀₂₀₁	3
11a ₀₁₂₁	2	11a ₀₁₄₈	3	11a ₀₁₇₅	2	11a ₀₂₀₂	3
11a ₀₁₂₂	3	11a ₀₁₄₉	3	11a ₀₁₇₆	2	11a ₀₂₀₃	2
11a ₀₁₂₃	3	11a ₀₁₅₀	3	11a ₀₁₇₇	2	11a ₀₂₀₄	2
11a ₀₁₂₄	3	11a ₀₁₅₁	3	11a ₀₁₇₈	2	11a ₀₂₀₅	2
11a ₀₁₂₅	3	11a ₀₁₅₂	3	11a ₀₁₇₉	2	11a ₀₂₀₆	2
11a ₀₁₂₆	3	11a ₀₁₅₃	3	11a ₀₁₈₀	2	11a ₀₂₀₇	2
11a ₀₁₂₇	3	11a ₀₁₅₄	2	11a ₀₁₈₁	3	11a ₀₂₀₈	2

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
11a ₀₂₀₉	3	11a ₀₂₃₆	2	11a ₀₂₆₃	4	11a ₀₂₉₀	3
11a ₀₂₁₀	2	11a ₀₂₃₇	2	11a ₀₂₆₄	3	11a ₀₂₉₁	3
11a ₀₂₁₁	2	11a ₀₂₃₈	2	11a ₀₂₆₅	3	11a ₀₂₉₂	3
11a ₀₂₁₂	3	11a ₀₂₃₉	2	11a ₀₂₆₆	3	11a ₀₂₉₃	3
11a ₀₂₁₃	3	11a ₀₂₄₀	2	11a ₀₂₆₇	3	11a ₀₂₉₄	3
11a ₀₂₁₄	3	11a ₀₂₄₁	2	11a ₀₂₆₈	3	11a ₀₂₉₅	3
11a ₀₂₁₅	3	11a ₀₂₄₂	2	11a ₀₂₆₉	3	11a ₀₂₉₆	3
11a ₀₂₁₆	3	11a ₀₂₄₃	2	11a ₀₂₇₀	3	11a ₀₂₉₇	3
11a ₀₂₁₇	3	11a ₀₂₄₄	2	11a ₀₂₇₁	3	11a ₀₂₉₈	3
11a ₀₂₁₈	3	11a ₀₂₄₅	2	11a ₀₂₇₂	3	11a ₀₂₉₉	3
11a ₀₂₁₉	3	11a ₀₂₄₆	2	11a ₀₂₇₃	3	11a ₀₃₀₀	3
11a ₀₂₂₀	2	11a ₀₂₄₇	2	11a ₀₂₇₄	3	11a ₀₃₀₁	3
11a ₀₂₂₁	3	11a ₀₂₄₈	2	11a ₀₂₇₅	3	11a ₀₃₀₂	3
11a ₀₂₂₂	3	11a ₀₂₄₉	2	11a ₀₂₇₆	3	11a ₀₃₀₃	3
11a ₀₂₂₃	3	11a ₀₂₅₀	2	11a ₀₂₇₇	3	11a ₀₃₀₄	3
11a ₀₂₂₄	2	11a ₀₂₅₁	2	11a ₀₂₇₈	3	11a ₀₃₀₅	3
11a ₀₂₂₅	2	11a ₀₂₅₂	2	11a ₀₂₇₉	3	11a ₀₃₀₆	2
11a ₀₂₂₆	2	11a ₀₂₅₃	2	11a ₀₂₈₀	3	11a ₀₃₀₇	2
11a ₀₂₂₇	3	11a ₀₂₅₄	2	11a ₀₂₈₁	3	11a ₀₃₀₈	2
11a ₀₂₂₈	3	11a ₀₂₅₅	2	11a ₀₂₈₂	3	11a ₀₃₀₉	2
11a ₀₂₂₉	2	11a ₀₂₅₆	2	11a ₀₂₈₃	3	11a ₀₃₁₀	2
11a ₀₂₃₀	2	11a ₀₂₅₇	2	11a ₀₂₈₄	3	11a ₀₃₁₁	2
11a ₀₂₃₁	4	11a ₀₂₅₈	2	11a ₀₂₈₅	3	11a ₀₃₁₂	3
11a ₀₂₃₂	3	11a ₀₂₅₉	2	11a ₀₂₈₆	3	11a ₀₃₁₃	3
11a ₀₂₃₃	3	11a ₀₂₆₀	2	11a ₀₂₈₇	3	11a ₀₃₁₄	3
11a ₀₂₃₄	2	11a ₀₂₆₁	2	11a ₀₂₈₈	3	11a ₀₃₁₅	3
11a ₀₂₃₅	2	11a ₀₂₆₂	3	11a ₀₂₈₉	3	11a ₀₃₁₆	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
11a ₀₃₁₇	3	11a ₀₃₃₀	3	11a ₀₃₄₃	2	11a ₀₃₅₆	2
11a ₀₃₁₈	3	11a ₀₃₃₁	3	11a ₀₃₄₄	3	11a ₀₃₅₇	2
11a ₀₃₁₉	3	11a ₀₃₃₂	3	11a ₀₃₄₅	3	11a ₀₃₅₈	2
11a ₀₃₂₀	3	11a ₀₃₃₃	2	11a ₀₃₄₆	3	11a ₀₃₅₉	2
11a ₀₃₂₁	3	11a ₀₃₃₄	2	11a ₀₃₄₇	3	11a ₀₃₆₀	2
11a ₀₃₂₂	3	11a ₀₃₃₅	2	11a ₀₃₄₈	3	11a ₀₃₆₁	3
11a ₀₃₂₃	3	11a ₀₃₃₆	2	11a ₀₃₄₉	3	11a ₀₃₆₂	3
11a ₀₃₂₄	3	11a ₀₃₃₇	2	11a ₀₃₅₀	3	11a ₀₃₆₃	2
11a ₀₃₂₅	3	11a ₀₃₃₈	3	11a ₀₃₅₁	3	11a ₀₃₆₄	2
11a ₀₃₂₆	3	11a ₀₃₃₉	2	11a ₀₃₅₂	3	11a ₀₃₆₅	2
11a ₀₃₂₇	3	11a ₀₃₄₀	3	11a ₀₃₅₃	3	11a ₀₃₆₆	3
11a ₀₃₂₈	3	11a ₀₃₄₁	2	11a ₀₃₅₄	3	11a ₀₃₆₇	2
11a ₀₃₂₉	3	11a ₀₃₄₂	2	11a ₀₃₅₅	2		

Table B.4: Computed bridge index of non-alternating prime knots with 11 crossings

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
11n0001	3	11n0026	3	11n0051	3	11n0076	4
11n0002	3	11n0027	3	11n0052	3	11n0077	4
11n0003	3	11n0028	3	11n0053	3	11n0078	4
11n0004	3	11n0029	3	11n0054	3	11n0079	3
11n0005	3	11n0030	3	11n0055	3	11n0080	3
11n0006	3	11n0031	3	11n0056	3	11n0081	4
11n0007	3	11n0032	3	11n0057	3	11n0082	3
11n0008	3	11n0033	3	11n0058	3	11n0083	3
11n0009	3	11n0034	3	11n0059	3	11n0084	3
11n0010	3	11n0035	3	11n0060	3	11n0085	3
11n0011	3	11n0036	3	11n0061	3	11n0086	3
11n0012	3	11n0037	3	11n0062	3	11n0087	3
11n0013	3	11n0038	3	11n0063	3	11n0088	3
11n0014	3	11n0039	3	11n0064	3	11n0089	3
11n0015	3	11n0040	3	11n0065	3	11n0090	3
11n0016	3	11n0041	3	11n0066	3	11n0091	3
11n0017	3	11n0042	3	11n0067	3	11n0092	3
11n0018	3	11n0043	3	11n0068	3	11n0093	3
11n0019	3	11n0044	3	11n0069	3	11n0094	3
11n0020	3	11n0045	3	11n0070	3	11n0095	3
11n0021	3	11n0046	3	11n0071	4	11n0096	3
11n0022	3	11n0047	3	11n0072	4	11n0097	3
11n0023	3	11n0048	3	11n0073	4	11n0098	3
11n0024	3	11n0049	3	11n0074	4	11n0099	3
11n0025	3	11n0050	3	11n0075	4	11n0100	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
$11n_{0101}$	3	$11n_{0123}$	3	$11n_{0145}$	3	$11n_{0167}$	3
$11n_{0102}$	3	$11n_{0124}$	3	$11n_{0146}$	3	$11n_{0168}$	3
$11n_{0103}$	3	$11n_{0125}$	3	$11n_{0147}$	3	$11n_{0169}$	3
$11n_{0104}$	3	$11n_{0126}$	3	$11n_{0148}$	3	$11n_{0170}$	3
$11n_{0105}$	3	$11n_{0127}$	3	$11n_{0149}$	3	$11n_{0171}$	3
$11n_{0106}$	3	$11n_{0128}$	3	$11n_{0150}$	3	$11n_{0172}$	3
$11n_{0107}$	3	$11n_{0129}$	3	$11n_{0151}$	3	$11n_{0173}$	3
$11n_{0108}$	3	$11n_{0130}$	3	$11n_{0152}$	3	$11n_{0174}$	3
$11n_{0109}$	3	$11n_{0131}$	3	$11n_{0153}$	3	$11n_{0175}$	3
$11n_{0110}$	3	$11n_{0132}$	3	$11n_{0154}$	3	$11n_{0176}$	3
$11n_{0111}$	3	$11n_{0133}$	3	$11n_{0155}$	3	$11n_{0177}$	3
$11n_{0112}$	3	$11n_{0134}$	3	$11n_{0156}$	3	$11n_{0178}$	3
$11n_{0113}$	3	$11n_{0135}$	3	$11n_{0157}$	3	$11n_{0179}$	3
$11n_{0114}$	3	$11n_{0136}$	3	$11n_{0158}$	3	$11n_{0180}$	3
$11n_{0115}$	3	$11n_{0137}$	3	$11n_{0159}$	3	$11n_{0181}$	3
$11n_{0116}$	3	$11n_{0138}$	3	$11n_{0160}$	3	$11n_{0182}$	3
$11n_{0117}$	3	$11n_{0139}$	3	$11n_{0161}$	3	$11n_{0183}$	3
$11n_{0118}$	3	$11n_{0140}$	3	$11n_{0162}$	3	$11n_{0184}$	3
$11n_{0119}$	3	$11n_{0141}$	3	$11n_{0163}$	3	$11n_{0185}$	3
$11n_{0120}$	3	$11n_{0142}$	3	$11n_{0164}$	3		
$11n_{0121}$	3	$11n_{0143}$	3	$11n_{0165}$	3		
$11n_{0122}$	3	$11n_{0144}$	3	$11n_{0166}$	3		

Table B.5: Computed bridge index of alternating prime knots with 12 crossings

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a0001	3	12a0026	3	12a0051	3	12a0076	3
12a0002	3	12a0027	3	12a0052	3	12a0077	3
12a0003	3	12a0028	3	12a0053	3	12a0078	3
12a0004	3	12a0029	4	12a0054	3	12a0079	3
12a0005	3	12a0030	4	12a0055	3	12a0080	3
12a0006	3	12a0031	3	12a0056	3	12a0081	3
12a0007	3	12a0032	3	12a0057	3	12a0082	3
12a0008	3	12a0033	4	12a0058	3	12a0083	3
12a0009	3	12a0034	3	12a0059	3	12a0084	3
12a0010	3	12a0035	3	12a0060	3	12a0085	3
12a0011	3	12a0036	4	12a0061	3	12a0086	3
12a0012	3	12a0037	3	12a0062	3	12a0087	3
12a0013	3	12a0038	2	12a0063	3	12a0088	3
12a0014	3	12a0039	3	12a0064	3	12a0089	3
12a0015	3	12a0040	3	12a0065	3	12a0090	3
12a0016	3	12a0041	3	12a0066	3	12a0091	3
12a0017	3	12a0042	3	12a0067	3	12a0092	3
12a0018	3	12a0043	3	12a0068	3	12a0093	3
12a0019	3	12a0044	3	12a0069	3	12a0094	3
12a0020	3	12a0045	3	12a0070	3	12a0095	3
12a0021	3	12a0046	3	12a0071	3	12a0096	3
12a0022	3	12a0047	3	12a0072	3	12a0097	3
12a0023	3	12a0048	3	12a0073	3	12a0098	3
12a0024	3	12a0049	3	12a0074	3	12a0099	3
12a0025	3	12a0050	3	12a0075	3	12a0100	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
$12a_{0101}$	3	$12a_{0128}$	3	$12a_{0155}$	3	$12a_{0182}$	4
$12a_{0102}$	3	$12a_{0129}$	3	$12a_{0156}$	3	$12a_{0183}$	4
$12a_{0103}$	3	$12a_{0130}$	3	$12a_{0157}$	3	$12a_{0184}$	4
$12a_{0104}$	3	$12a_{0131}$	3	$12a_{0158}$	3	$12a_{0185}$	4
$12a_{0105}$	3	$12a_{0132}$	3	$12a_{0159}$	3	$12a_{0186}$	4
$12a_{0106}$	3	$12a_{0133}$	3	$12a_{0160}$	3	$12a_{0187}$	4
$12a_{0107}$	3	$12a_{0134}$	3	$12a_{0161}$	3	$12a_{0188}$	4
$12a_{0108}$	3	$12a_{0135}$	3	$12a_{0162}$	3	$12a_{0189}$	4
$12a_{0109}$	3	$12a_{0136}$	3	$12a_{0163}$	3	$12a_{0190}$	4
$12a_{0110}$	3	$12a_{0137}$	3	$12a_{0164}$	3	$12a_{0191}$	4
$12a_{0111}$	3	$12a_{0138}$	3	$12a_{0165}$	3	$12a_{0192}$	4
$12a_{0112}$	3	$12a_{0139}$	3	$12a_{0166}$	3	$12a_{0193}$	4
$12a_{0113}$	3	$12a_{0140}$	3	$12a_{0167}$	3	$12a_{0194}$	4
$12a_{0114}$	3	$12a_{0141}$	3	$12a_{0168}$	3	$12a_{0195}$	4
$12a_{0115}$	3	$12a_{0142}$	3	$12a_{0169}$	3	$12a_{0196}$	4
$12a_{0116}$	3	$12a_{0143}$	3	$12a_{0170}$	3	$12a_{0197}$	4
$12a_{0117}$	3	$12a_{0144}$	3	$12a_{0171}$	3	$12a_{0198}$	4
$12a_{0118}$	3	$12a_{0145}$	3	$12a_{0172}$	3	$12a_{0199}$	4
$12a_{0119}$	3	$12a_{0146}$	3	$12a_{0173}$	3	$12a_{0200}$	4
$12a_{0120}$	3	$12a_{0147}$	3	$12a_{0174}$	3	$12a_{0201}$	4
$12a_{0121}$	3	$12a_{0148}$	3	$12a_{0175}$	3	$12a_{0202}$	4
$12a_{0122}$	3	$12a_{0149}$	3	$12a_{0176}$	3	$12a_{0203}$	4
$12a_{0123}$	3	$12a_{0150}$	3	$12a_{0177}$	3	$12a_{0204}$	4
$12a_{0124}$	3	$12a_{0151}$	3	$12a_{0178}$	3	$12a_{0205}$	4
$12a_{0125}$	3	$12a_{0152}$	3	$12a_{0179}$	3	$12a_{0206}$	4
$12a_{0126}$	3	$12a_{0153}$	3	$12a_{0180}$	3	$12a_{0207}$	4
$12a_{0127}$	3	$12a_{0154}$	3	$12a_{0181}$	3	$12a_{0208}$	4

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a ₀₂₀₉	3	12a ₀₂₃₆	3	12a ₀₂₆₃	3	12a ₀₂₉₀	3
12a ₀₂₁₀	3	12a ₀₂₃₇	3	12a ₀₂₆₄	3	12a ₀₂₉₁	3
12a ₀₂₁₁	3	12a ₀₂₃₈	3	12a ₀₂₆₅	3	12a ₀₂₉₂	3
12a ₀₂₁₂	3	12a ₀₂₃₉	2	12a ₀₂₆₆	3	12a ₀₂₉₃	3
12a ₀₂₁₃	3	12a ₀₂₄₀	3	12a ₀₂₆₇	3	12a ₀₂₉₄	3
12a ₀₂₁₄	3	12a ₀₂₄₁	2	12a ₀₂₆₈	3	12a ₀₂₉₅	3
12a ₀₂₁₅	3	12a ₀₂₄₂	3	12a ₀₂₆₉	3	12a ₀₂₉₆	3
12a ₀₂₁₆	3	12a ₀₂₄₃	2	12a ₀₂₇₀	3	12a ₀₂₉₇	3
12a ₀₂₁₇	3	12a ₀₂₄₄	3	12a ₀₂₇₁	3	12a ₀₂₉₈	3
12a ₀₂₁₈	3	12a ₀₂₄₅	3	12a ₀₂₇₂	3	12a ₀₂₉₉	3
12a ₀₂₁₉	3	12a ₀₂₄₆	3	12a ₀₂₇₃	3	12a ₀₃₀₀	3
12a ₀₂₂₀	3	12a ₀₂₄₇	2	12a ₀₂₇₄	3	12a ₀₃₀₁	3
12a ₀₂₂₁	2	12a ₀₂₄₈	3	12a ₀₂₇₅	3	12a ₀₃₀₂	3
12a ₀₂₂₂	3	12a ₀₂₄₉	3	12a ₀₂₇₆	3	12a ₀₃₀₃	3
12a ₀₂₂₃	3	12a ₀₂₅₀	3	12a ₀₂₇₇	3	12a ₀₃₀₄	3
12a ₀₂₂₄	3	12a ₀₂₅₁	2	12a ₀₂₇₈	3	12a ₀₃₀₅	3
12a ₀₂₂₅	3	12a ₀₂₅₂	3	12a ₀₂₇₉	3	12a ₀₃₀₆	3
12a ₀₂₂₆	2	12a ₀₂₅₃	3	12a ₀₂₈₀	3	12a ₀₃₀₇	3
12a ₀₂₂₇	3	12a ₀₂₅₄	3	12a ₀₂₈₁	3	12a ₀₃₀₈	3
12a ₀₂₂₈	3	12a ₀₂₅₅	3	12a ₀₂₈₂	3	12a ₀₃₀₉	3
12a ₀₂₂₉	3	12a ₀₂₅₆	3	12a ₀₂₈₃	3	12a ₀₃₁₀	3
12a ₀₂₃₀	3	12a ₀₂₅₇	2	12a ₀₂₈₄	3	12a ₀₃₁₁	3
12a ₀₂₃₁	3	12a ₀₂₅₈	3	12a ₀₂₈₅	3	12a ₀₃₁₂	3
12a ₀₂₃₂	3	12a ₀₂₅₉	2	12a ₀₂₈₆	3	12a ₀₃₁₃	3
12a ₀₂₃₃	3	12a ₀₂₆₀	3	12a ₀₂₈₇	3	12a ₀₃₁₄	3
12a ₀₂₃₄	3	12a ₀₂₆₁	2	12a ₀₂₈₈	3	12a ₀₃₁₅	3
12a ₀₂₃₅	3	12a ₀₂₆₂	3	12a ₀₂₈₉	3	12a ₀₃₁₆	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a ₀₃₁₇	3	12a ₀₃₄₄	3	12a ₀₃₇₁	3	12a ₀₃₉₈	3
12a ₀₃₁₈	3	12a ₀₃₄₅	3	12a ₀₃₇₂	3	12a ₀₃₉₉	3
12a ₀₃₁₉	3	12a ₀₃₄₆	3	12a ₀₃₇₃	3	12a ₀₄₀₀	3
12a ₀₃₂₀	3	12a ₀₃₄₇	3	12a ₀₃₇₄	3	12a ₀₄₀₁	3
12a ₀₃₂₁	3	12a ₀₃₄₈	3	12a ₀₃₇₅	3	12a ₀₄₀₂	3
12a ₀₃₂₂	3	12a ₀₃₄₉	3	12a ₀₃₇₆	3	12a ₀₄₀₃	3
12a ₀₃₂₃	3	12a ₀₃₅₀	3	12a ₀₃₇₇	3	12a ₀₄₀₄	3
12a ₀₃₂₄	3	12a ₀₃₅₁	3	12a ₀₃₇₈	3	12a ₀₄₀₅	3
12a ₀₃₂₅	3	12a ₀₃₅₂	3	12a ₀₃₇₉	3	12a ₀₄₀₆	3
12a ₀₃₂₆	3	12a ₀₃₅₃	3	12a ₀₃₈₀	3	12a ₀₄₀₇	3
12a ₀₃₂₇	3	12a ₀₃₅₄	3	12a ₀₃₈₁	3	12a ₀₄₀₈	3
12a ₀₃₂₈	3	12a ₀₃₅₅	3	12a ₀₃₈₂	3	12a ₀₄₀₉	3
12a ₀₃₂₉	3	12a ₀₃₅₆	3	12a ₀₃₈₃	3	12a ₀₄₁₀	3
12a ₀₃₃₀	2	12a ₀₃₅₇	3	12a ₀₃₈₄	3	12a ₀₄₁₁	3
12a ₀₃₃₁	3	12a ₀₃₅₈	3	12a ₀₃₈₅	3	12a ₀₄₁₂	3
12a ₀₃₃₂	3	12a ₀₃₅₉	3	12a ₀₃₈₆	3	12a ₀₄₁₃	3
12a ₀₃₃₃	3	12a ₀₃₆₀	3	12a ₀₃₈₇	3	12a ₀₄₁₄	3
12a ₀₃₃₄	3	12a ₀₃₆₁	3	12a ₀₃₈₈	3	12a ₀₄₁₅	3
12a ₀₃₃₅	3	12a ₀₃₆₂	3	12a ₀₃₈₉	3	12a ₀₄₁₆	3
12a ₀₃₃₆	3	12a ₀₃₆₃	3	12a ₀₃₉₀	3	12a ₀₄₁₇	3
12a ₀₃₃₇	3	12a ₀₃₆₄	3	12a ₀₃₉₁	3	12a ₀₄₁₈	3
12a ₀₃₃₈	3	12a ₀₃₆₅	3	12a ₀₃₉₂	3	12a ₀₄₁₉	3
12a ₀₃₃₉	3	12a ₀₃₆₆	3	12a ₀₃₉₃	3	12a ₀₄₂₀	3
12a ₀₃₄₀	3	12a ₀₃₆₇	3	12a ₀₃₉₄	3	12a ₀₄₂₁	3
12a ₀₃₄₁	3	12a ₀₃₆₈	3	12a ₀₃₉₅	3	12a ₀₄₂₂	3
12a ₀₃₄₂	3	12a ₀₃₆₉	3	12a ₀₃₉₆	3	12a ₀₄₂₃	3
12a ₀₃₄₃	3	12a ₀₃₇₀	3	12a ₀₃₉₇	3	12a ₀₄₂₄	3

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K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a ₀₄₂₅	2	12a ₀₄₅₂	3	12a ₀₄₇₉	3	12a ₀₅₀₆	2
12a ₀₄₂₆	3	12a ₀₄₅₃	3	12a ₀₄₈₀	3	12a ₀₅₀₇	3
12a ₀₄₂₇	3	12a ₀₄₅₄	3	12a ₀₄₈₁	3	12a ₀₅₀₈	2
12a ₀₄₂₈	3	12a ₀₄₅₅	3	12a ₀₄₈₂	2	12a ₀₅₀₉	3
12a ₀₄₂₉	3	12a ₀₄₅₆	3	12a ₀₄₈₃	3	12a ₀₅₁₀	2
12a ₀₄₃₀	3	12a ₀₄₅₇	3	12a ₀₄₈₄	3	12a ₀₅₁₁	2
12a ₀₄₃₁	3	12a ₀₄₅₈	3	12a ₀₄₈₅	3	12a ₀₅₁₂	2
12a ₀₄₃₂	3	12a ₀₄₅₉	3	12a ₀₄₈₆	3	12a ₀₅₁₃	3
12a ₀₄₃₃	3	12a ₀₄₆₀	3	12a ₀₄₈₇	3	12a ₀₅₁₄	2
12a ₀₄₃₄	3	12a ₀₄₆₁	3	12a ₀₄₈₈	3	12a ₀₅₁₅	3
12a ₀₄₃₅	3	12a ₀₄₆₂	3	12a ₀₄₈₉	3	12a ₀₅₁₆	3
12a ₀₄₃₆	3	12a ₀₄₆₃	3	12a ₀₄₉₀	3	12a ₀₅₁₇	2
12a ₀₄₃₇	2	12a ₀₄₆₄	3	12a ₀₄₉₁	3	12a ₀₅₁₈	2
12a ₀₄₃₈	3	12a ₀₄₆₅	3	12a ₀₄₉₂	3	12a ₀₅₁₉	2
12a ₀₄₃₉	3	12a ₀₄₆₆	3	12a ₀₄₉₃	3	12a ₀₅₂₀	2
12a ₀₄₄₀	3	12a ₀₄₆₇	3	12a ₀₄₉₄	3	12a ₀₅₂₁	2
12a ₀₄₄₁	3	12a ₀₄₆₈	3	12a ₀₄₉₅	3	12a ₀₅₂₂	2
12a ₀₄₄₂	3	12a ₀₄₆₉	3	12a ₀₄₉₆	3	12a ₀₅₂₃	3
12a ₀₄₄₃	3	12a ₀₄₇₀	3	12a ₀₄₉₇	2	12a ₀₅₂₄	3
12a ₀₄₄₄	3	12a ₀₄₇₁	3	12a ₀₄₉₈	2	12a ₀₅₂₅	3
12a ₀₄₄₅	3	12a ₀₄₇₂	3	12a ₀₄₉₉	2	12a ₀₅₂₆	3
12a ₀₄₄₆	3	12a ₀₄₇₃	3	12a ₀₅₀₀	2	12a ₀₅₂₇	3
12a ₀₄₄₇	2	12a ₀₄₇₄	3	12a ₀₅₀₁	2	12a ₀₅₂₈	2
12a ₀₄₄₈	3	12a ₀₄₇₅	3	12a ₀₅₀₂	2	12a ₀₅₂₉	3
12a ₀₄₄₉	3	12a ₀₄₇₆	3	12a ₀₅₀₃	3	12a ₀₅₃₀	3
12a ₀₄₅₀	3	12a ₀₄₇₇	3	12a ₀₅₀₄	3	12a ₀₅₃₁	3
12a ₀₄₅₁	3	12a ₀₄₇₈	3	12a ₀₅₀₅	3	12a ₀₅₃₂	2

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K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a0533	2	12a0560	3	12a0587	3	12a0614	3
12a0534	2	12a0561	3	12a0588	3	12a0615	3
12a0535	2	12a0562	3	12a0589	3	12a0616	3
12a0536	2	12a0563	3	12a0590	3	12a0617	3
12a0537	2	12a0564	3	12a0591	3	12a0618	3
12a0538	2	12a0565	3	12a0592	3	12a0619	3
12a0539	2	12a0566	3	12a0593	3	12a0620	3
12a0540	2	12a0567	3	12a0594	3	12a0621	3
12a0541	2	12a0568	3	12a0595	2	12a0622	3
12a0542	3	12a0569	3	12a0596	2	12a0623	3
12a0543	3	12a0570	3	12a0597	2	12a0624	3
12a0544	3	12a0571	3	12a0598	3	12a0625	3
12a0545	2	12a0572	3	12a0599	3	12a0626	3
12a0546	3	12a0573	3	12a0600	2	12a0627	3
12a0547	3	12a0574	3	12a0601	2	12a0628	3
12a0548	3	12a0575	3	12a0602	3	12a0629	3
12a0549	2	12a0576	3	12a0603	3	12a0630	3
12a0550	2	12a0577	3	12a0604	3	12a0631	3
12a0551	2	12a0578	3	12a0605	3	12a0632	3
12a0552	2	12a0579	2	12a0606	3	12a0633	3
12a0553	3	12a0580	2	12a0607	3	12a0634	3
12a0554	4	12a0581	2	12a0608	3	12a0635	3
12a0555	3	12a0582	2	12a0609	3	12a0636	3
12a0556	3	12a0583	2	12a0610	3	12a0637	3
12a0557	3	12a0584	2	12a0611	3	12a0638	3
12a0558	3	12a0585	2	12a0612	3	12a0639	3
12a0559	3	12a0586	3	12a0613	3	12a0640	3

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K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a ₀₆₄₁	3	12a ₀₆₆₈	3	12a ₀₆₉₅	3	12a ₀₇₂₂	2
12a ₀₆₄₂	3	12a ₀₆₆₉	3	12a ₀₆₉₆	3	12a ₀₇₂₃	2
12a ₀₆₄₃	2	12a ₀₆₇₀	3	12a ₀₆₉₇	3	12a ₀₇₂₄	2
12a ₀₆₄₄	2	12a ₀₆₇₁	3	12a ₀₆₉₈	3	12a ₀₇₂₅	3
12a ₀₆₄₅	3	12a ₀₆₇₂	3	12a ₀₆₉₉	3	12a ₀₇₂₆	2
12a ₀₆₄₆	3	12a ₀₆₇₃	3	12a ₀₇₀₀	3	12a ₀₇₂₇	2
12a ₀₆₄₇	3	12a ₀₆₇₄	3	12a ₀₇₀₁	3	12a ₀₇₂₈	2
12a ₀₆₄₈	3	12a ₀₆₇₅	3	12a ₀₇₀₂	3	12a ₀₇₂₉	2
12a ₀₆₄₉	2	12a ₀₆₇₆	3	12a ₀₇₀₃	3	12a ₀₇₃₀	3
12a ₀₆₅₀	2	12a ₀₆₇₇	3	12a ₀₇₀₄	3	12a ₀₇₃₁	2
12a ₀₆₅₁	2	12a ₀₆₇₈	3	12a ₀₇₀₅	3	12a ₀₇₃₂	2
12a ₀₆₅₂	2	12a ₀₆₇₉	3	12a ₀₇₀₆	3	12a ₀₇₃₃	2
12a ₀₆₅₃	3	12a ₀₆₈₀	3	12a ₀₇₀₇	3	12a ₀₇₃₄	3
12a ₀₆₅₄	3	12a ₀₆₈₁	3	12a ₀₇₀₈	3	12a ₀₇₃₅	3
12a ₀₆₅₅	3	12a ₀₆₈₂	2	12a ₀₇₀₉	3	12a ₀₇₃₆	2
12a ₀₆₅₆	3	12a ₀₆₈₃	3	12a ₀₇₁₀	3	12a ₀₇₃₇	3
12a ₀₆₅₇	3	12a ₀₆₈₄	2	12a ₀₇₁₁	3	12a ₀₇₃₈	2
12a ₀₆₅₈	3	12a ₀₆₈₅	3	12a ₀₇₁₂	3	12a ₀₇₃₉	3
12a ₀₆₅₉	3	12a ₀₆₈₆	3	12a ₀₇₁₃	2	12a ₀₇₄₀	2
12a ₀₆₆₀	3	12a ₀₆₈₇	3	12a ₀₇₁₄	2	12a ₀₇₄₁	3
12a ₀₆₆₁	3	12a ₀₆₈₈	3	12a ₀₇₁₅	2	12a ₀₇₄₂	3
12a ₀₆₆₂	3	12a ₀₆₈₉	3	12a ₀₇₁₆	2	12a ₀₇₄₃	2
12a ₀₆₆₃	3	12a ₀₆₉₀	2	12a ₀₇₁₇	2	12a ₀₇₄₄	2
12a ₀₆₆₄	3	12a ₀₆₉₁	2	12a ₀₇₁₈	2	12a ₀₇₄₅	2
12a ₀₆₆₅	3	12a ₀₆₉₂	4	12a ₀₇₁₉	3	12a ₀₇₄₆	3
12a ₀₆₆₆	3	12a ₀₆₉₃	4	12a ₀₇₂₀	2	12a ₀₇₄₇	3
12a ₀₆₆₇	3	12a ₀₆₉₄	4	12a ₀₇₂₁	2	12a ₀₇₄₈	3

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K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a ₀₇₄₉	3	12a ₀₇₇₆	3	12a ₀₈₀₃	2	12a ₀₈₃₀	3
12a ₀₇₅₀	4	12a ₀₇₇₇	3	12a ₀₈₀₄	3	12a ₀₈₃₁	3
12a ₀₇₅₁	3	12a ₀₇₇₈	3	12a ₀₈₀₅	3	12a ₀₈₃₂	3
12a ₀₇₅₂	3	12a ₀₇₇₉	3	12a ₀₈₀₆	3	12a ₀₈₃₃	3
12a ₀₇₅₃	3	12a ₀₇₈₀	3	12a ₀₈₀₇	3	12a ₀₈₃₄	3
12a ₀₇₅₄	3	12a ₀₇₈₁	3	12a ₀₈₀₈	3	12a ₀₈₃₅	3
12a ₀₇₅₅	3	12a ₀₇₈₂	3	12a ₀₈₀₉	3	12a ₀₈₃₆	3
12a ₀₇₅₆	3	12a ₀₇₈₃	3	12a ₀₈₁₀	3	12a ₀₈₃₇	3
12a ₀₇₅₇	3	12a ₀₇₈₄	3	12a ₀₈₁₁	3	12a ₀₈₃₈	3
12a ₀₇₅₈	2	12a ₀₇₈₅	3	12a ₀₈₁₂	3	12a ₀₈₃₉	3
12a ₀₇₅₉	2	12a ₀₇₈₆	3	12a ₀₈₁₃	3	12a ₀₈₄₀	3
12a ₀₇₆₀	2	12a ₀₇₈₇	3	12a ₀₈₁₄	3	12a ₀₈₄₁	3
12a ₀₇₆₁	2	12a ₀₇₈₈	3	12a ₀₈₁₅	3	12a ₀₈₄₂	3
12a ₀₇₆₂	2	12a ₀₇₈₉	3	12a ₀₈₁₆	3	12a ₀₈₄₃	3
12a ₀₇₆₃	2	12a ₀₇₉₀	3	12a ₀₈₁₇	3	12a ₀₈₄₄	3
12a ₀₇₆₄	2	12a ₀₇₉₁	2	12a ₀₈₁₈	3	12a ₀₈₄₅	3
12a ₀₇₆₅	3	12a ₀₇₉₂	2	12a ₀₈₁₉	3	12a ₀₈₄₆	3
12a ₀₇₆₆	3	12a ₀₇₉₃	3	12a ₀₈₂₀	3	12a ₀₈₄₇	3
12a ₀₇₆₇	3	12a ₀₇₉₄	3	12a ₀₈₂₁	3	12a ₀₈₄₈	3
12a ₀₇₆₈	3	12a ₀₇₉₅	3	12a ₀₈₂₂	3	12a ₀₈₄₉	3
12a ₀₇₆₉	3	12a ₀₇₉₆	2	12a ₀₈₂₃	3	12a ₀₈₅₀	3
12a ₀₇₇₀	3	12a ₀₇₉₇	2	12a ₀₈₂₄	3	12a ₀₈₅₁	3
12a ₀₇₇₁	3	12a ₀₇₉₈	3	12a ₀₈₂₅	3	12a ₀₈₅₂	3
12a ₀₇₇₂	3	12a ₀₇₉₉	3	12a ₀₈₂₆	3	12a ₀₈₅₃	3
12a ₀₇₇₃	2	12a ₀₈₀₀	3	12a ₀₈₂₇	3	12a ₀₈₅₄	3
12a ₀₇₇₄	2	12a ₀₈₀₁	4	12a ₀₈₂₈	3	12a ₀₈₅₅	3
12a ₀₇₇₅	2	12a ₀₈₀₂	2	12a ₀₈₂₉	3	12a ₀₈₅₆	3

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K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a0857	3	12a0884	3	12a0911	3	12a0938	3
12a0858	3	12a0885	3	12a0912	3	12a0939	3
12a0859	3	12a0886	3	12a0913	3	12a0940	3
12a0860	3	12a0887	3	12a0914	3	12a0941	3
12a0861	3	12a0888	3	12a0915	3	12a0942	3
12a0862	3	12a0889	3	12a0916	3	12a0943	3
12a0863	3	12a0890	3	12a0917	3	12a0944	3
12a0864	3	12a0891	3	12a0918	3	12a0945	3
12a0865	3	12a0892	3	12a0919	3	12a0946	3
12a0866	3	12a0893	3	12a0920	3	12a0947	3
12a0867	3	12a0894	3	12a0921	3	12a0948	3
12a0868	3	12a0895	3	12a0922	3	12a0949	3
12a0869	3	12a0896	3	12a0923	3	12a0950	3
12a0870	3	12a0897	3	12a0924	3	12a0951	3
12a0871	3	12a0898	3	12a0925	3	12a0952	3
12a0872	3	12a0899	3	12a0926	3	12a0953	3
12a0873	3	12a0900	3	12a0927	3	12a0954	3
12a0874	3	12a0901	3	12a0928	3	12a0955	3
12a0875	3	12a0902	3	12a0929	3	12a0956	3
12a0876	3	12a0903	3	12a0930	3	12a0957	3
12a0877	3	12a0904	3	12a0931	3	12a0958	3
12a0878	3	12a0905	3	12a0932	3	12a0959	3
12a0879	3	12a0906	3	12a0933	3	12a0960	3
12a0880	3	12a0907	3	12a0934	3	12a0961	3
12a0881	3	12a0908	3	12a0935	3	12a0962	3
12a0882	3	12a0909	3	12a0936	3	12a0963	3
12a0883	3	12a0910	3	12a0937	3	12a0964	3

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K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12a ₀₉₆₅	3	12a ₀₉₉₂	3	12a ₁₀₁₉	3	12a ₁₀₄₆	3
12a ₀₉₆₆	3	12a ₀₉₉₃	3	12a ₁₀₂₀	3	12a ₁₀₄₇	3
12a ₀₉₆₇	3	12a ₀₉₉₄	3	12a ₁₀₂₁	3	12a ₁₀₄₈	3
12a ₀₉₆₈	3	12a ₀₉₉₅	3	12a ₁₀₂₂	3	12a ₁₀₄₉	3
12a ₀₉₆₉	3	12a ₀₉₉₆	3	12a ₁₀₂₃	2	12a ₁₀₅₀	3
12a ₀₉₇₀	3	12a ₀₉₉₇	3	12a ₁₀₂₄	2	12a ₁₀₅₁	3
12a ₀₉₇₁	3	12a ₀₉₉₈	3	12a ₁₀₂₅	3	12a ₁₀₅₂	3
12a ₀₉₇₂	3	12a ₀₉₉₉	3	12a ₁₀₂₆	3	12a ₁₀₅₃	3
12a ₀₉₇₃	3	12a ₁₀₀₀	3	12a ₁₀₂₇	3	12a ₁₀₅₄	3
12a ₀₉₇₄	3	12a ₁₀₀₁	3	12a ₁₀₂₈	3	12a ₁₀₅₅	3
12a ₀₉₇₅	3	12a ₁₀₀₂	3	12a ₁₀₂₉	2	12a ₁₀₅₆	3
12a ₀₉₇₆	3	12a ₁₀₀₃	3	12a ₁₀₃₀	2	12a ₁₀₅₇	3
12a ₀₉₇₇	3	12a ₁₀₀₄	3	12a ₁₀₃₁	3	12a ₁₀₅₈	3
12a ₀₉₇₈	3	12a ₁₀₀₅	3	12a ₁₀₃₂	3	12a ₁₀₅₉	3
12a ₀₉₇₉	3	12a ₁₀₀₆	3	12a ₁₀₃₃	2	12a ₁₀₆₀	3
12a ₀₉₈₀	3	12a ₁₀₀₇	3	12a ₁₀₃₄	2	12a ₁₀₆₁	3
12a ₀₉₈₁	3	12a ₁₀₀₈	3	12a ₁₀₃₅	3	12a ₁₀₆₂	3
12a ₀₉₈₂	3	12a ₁₀₀₉	3	12a ₁₀₃₆	3	12a ₁₀₆₃	3
12a ₀₉₈₃	3	12a ₁₀₁₀	3	12a ₁₀₃₇	3	12a ₁₀₆₄	3
12a ₀₉₈₄	3	12a ₁₀₁₁	3	12a ₁₀₃₈	3	12a ₁₀₆₅	3
12a ₀₉₈₅	3	12a ₁₀₁₂	3	12a ₁₀₃₉	2	12a ₁₀₆₆	3
12a ₀₉₈₆	3	12a ₁₀₁₃	3	12a ₁₀₄₀	2	12a ₁₀₆₇	3
12a ₀₉₈₇	3	12a ₁₀₁₄	3	12a ₁₀₄₁	3	12a ₁₀₆₈	3
12a ₀₉₈₈	3	12a ₁₀₁₅	3	12a ₁₀₄₂	3	12a ₁₀₆₉	3
12a ₀₉₈₉	3	12a ₁₀₁₆	3	12a ₁₀₄₃	3	12a ₁₀₇₀	3
12a ₀₉₉₀	3	12a ₁₀₁₇	3	12a ₁₀₄₄	3	12a ₁₀₇₁	3
12a ₀₉₉₁	3	12a ₁₀₁₈	3	12a ₁₀₄₅	3	12a ₁₀₇₂	3

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K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
$12a_{1073}$	3	$12a_{1100}$	3	$12a_{1127}$	2	$12a_{1154}$	3
$12a_{1074}$	3	$12a_{1101}$	3	$12a_{1128}$	2	$12a_{1155}$	3
$12a_{1075}$	3	$12a_{1102}$	3	$12a_{1129}$	2	$12a_{1156}$	3
$12a_{1076}$	3	$12a_{1103}$	3	$12a_{1130}$	2	$12a_{1157}$	2
$12a_{1077}$	3	$12a_{1104}$	3	$12a_{1131}$	2	$12a_{1158}$	2
$12a_{1078}$	3	$12a_{1105}$	3	$12a_{1132}$	2	$12a_{1159}$	2
$12a_{1079}$	3	$12a_{1106}$	3	$12a_{1133}$	2	$12a_{1160}$	3
$12a_{1080}$	3	$12a_{1107}$	3	$12a_{1134}$	2	$12a_{1161}$	2
$12a_{1081}$	3	$12a_{1108}$	3	$12a_{1135}$	2	$12a_{1162}$	2
$12a_{1082}$	3	$12a_{1109}$	3	$12a_{1136}$	2	$12a_{1163}$	2
$12a_{1083}$	3	$12a_{1110}$	3	$12a_{1137}$	3	$12a_{1164}$	3
$12a_{1084}$	3	$12a_{1111}$	3	$12a_{1138}$	2	$12a_{1165}$	2
$12a_{1085}$	3	$12a_{1112}$	3	$12a_{1139}$	2	$12a_{1166}$	2
$12a_{1086}$	3	$12a_{1113}$	3	$12a_{1140}$	2	$12a_{1167}$	3
$12a_{1087}$	3	$12a_{1114}$	3	$12a_{1141}$	3	$12a_{1168}$	3
$12a_{1088}$	3	$12a_{1115}$	3	$12a_{1142}$	3	$12a_{1169}$	3
$12a_{1089}$	3	$12a_{1116}$	3	$12a_{1143}$	3	$12a_{1170}$	3
$12a_{1090}$	3	$12a_{1117}$	3	$12a_{1144}$	3	$12a_{1171}$	3
$12a_{1091}$	3	$12a_{1118}$	3	$12a_{1145}$	2	$12a_{1172}$	3
$12a_{1092}$	3	$12a_{1119}$	3	$12a_{1146}$	2	$12a_{1173}$	3
$12a_{1093}$	3	$12a_{1120}$	3	$12a_{1147}$	3	$12a_{1174}$	3
$12a_{1094}$	3	$12a_{1121}$	3	$12a_{1148}$	2	$12a_{1175}$	3
$12a_{1095}$	3	$12a_{1122}$	3	$12a_{1149}$	2	$12a_{1176}$	3
$12a_{1096}$	3	$12a_{1123}$	3	$12a_{1150}$	3	$12a_{1177}$	3
$12a_{1097}$	3	$12a_{1124}$	3	$12a_{1151}$	3	$12a_{1178}$	3
$12a_{1098}$	3	$12a_{1125}$	2	$12a_{1152}$	3	$12a_{1179}$	3
$12a_{1099}$	3	$12a_{1126}$	2	$12a_{1153}$	3	$12a_{1180}$	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
$12a_{1181}$	3	$12a_{1208}$	3	$12a_{1235}$	3	$12a_{1262}$	3
$12a_{1182}$	3	$12a_{1209}$	3	$12a_{1236}$	3	$12a_{1263}$	3
$12a_{1183}$	3	$12a_{1210}$	3	$12a_{1237}$	3	$12a_{1264}$	3
$12a_{1184}$	3	$12a_{1211}$	3	$12a_{1238}$	3	$12a_{1265}$	3
$12a_{1185}$	3	$12a_{1212}$	3	$12a_{1239}$	3	$12a_{1266}$	3
$12a_{1186}$	3	$12a_{1213}$	3	$12a_{1240}$	3	$12a_{1267}$	3
$12a_{1187}$	3	$12a_{1214}$	3	$12a_{1241}$	3	$12a_{1268}$	3
$12a_{1188}$	3	$12a_{1215}$	3	$12a_{1242}$	3	$12a_{1269}$	3
$12a_{1189}$	3	$12a_{1216}$	3	$12a_{1243}$	3	$12a_{1270}$	3
$12a_{1190}$	3	$12a_{1217}$	3	$12a_{1244}$	3	$12a_{1271}$	3
$12a_{1191}$	3	$12a_{1218}$	3	$12a_{1245}$	3	$12a_{1272}$	3
$12a_{1192}$	3	$12a_{1219}$	3	$12a_{1246}$	3	$12a_{1273}$	2
$12a_{1193}$	3	$12a_{1220}$	3	$12a_{1247}$	3	$12a_{1274}$	2
$12a_{1194}$	3	$12a_{1221}$	3	$12a_{1248}$	3	$12a_{1275}$	2
$12a_{1195}$	3	$12a_{1222}$	3	$12a_{1249}$	3	$12a_{1276}$	2
$12a_{1196}$	3	$12a_{1223}$	3	$12a_{1250}$	3	$12a_{1277}$	2
$12a_{1197}$	3	$12a_{1224}$	3	$12a_{1251}$	3	$12a_{1278}$	2
$12a_{1198}$	3	$12a_{1225}$	3	$12a_{1252}$	3	$12a_{1279}$	2
$12a_{1199}$	3	$12a_{1226}$	3	$12a_{1253}$	3	$12a_{1280}$	3
$12a_{1200}$	3	$12a_{1227}$	3	$12a_{1254}$	3	$12a_{1281}$	2
$12a_{1201}$	3	$12a_{1228}$	3	$12a_{1255}$	3	$12a_{1282}$	2
$12a_{1202}$	3	$12a_{1229}$	3	$12a_{1256}$	3	$12a_{1283}$	3
$12a_{1203}$	3	$12a_{1230}$	3	$12a_{1257}$	3	$12a_{1284}$	3
$12a_{1204}$	3	$12a_{1231}$	3	$12a_{1258}$	3	$12a_{1285}$	3
$12a_{1205}$	3	$12a_{1232}$	3	$12a_{1259}$	3	$12a_{1286}$	3
$12a_{1206}$	3	$12a_{1233}$	3	$12a_{1260}$	3	$12a_{1287}$	2
$12a_{1207}$	3	$12a_{1234}$	3	$12a_{1261}$	3	$12a_{1288}$	3

Table B.6: Computed bridge index of non-alternating prime knots with 12 crossings

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12n0001	3	12n0026	3	12n0051	3	12n0076	3
12n0002	3	12n0027	3	12n0052	3	12n0077	3
12n0003	3	12n0028	3	12n0053	3	12n0078	3
12n0004	3	12n0029	3	12n0054	3	12n0079	3
12n0005	3	12n0030	3	12n0055	4	12n0080	3
12n0006	3	12n0031	3	12n0056	4	12n0081	3
12n0007	3	12n0032	3	12n0057	4	12n0082	3
12n0008	3	12n0033	3	12n0058	4	12n0083	3
12n0009	3	12n0034	3	12n0059	4	12n0084	3
12n0010	3	12n0035	3	12n0060	4	12n0085	3
12n0011	3	12n0036	3	12n0061	4	12n0086	3
12n0012	3	12n0037	3	12n0062	4	12n0087	3
12n0013	3	12n0038	3	12n0063	4	12n0088	3
12n0014	3	12n0039	3	12n0064	4	12n0089	3
12n0015	3	12n0040	3	12n0065	3	12n0090	3
12n0016	3	12n0041	3	12n0066	4	12n0091	3
12n0017	3	12n0042	3	12n0067	4	12n0092	3
12n0018	3	12n0043	3	12n0068	3	12n0093	3
12n0019	3	12n0044	3	12n0069	3	12n0094	3
12n0020	3	12n0045	3	12n0070	3	12n0095	3
12n0021	3	12n0046	3	12n0071	3	12n0096	3
12n0022	3	12n0047	3	12n0072	3	12n0097	3
12n0023	3	12n0048	3	12n0073	3	12n0098	3
12n0024	3	12n0049	3	12n0074	3	12n0099	3
12n0025	3	12n0050	3	12n0075	3	12n0100	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
$12n_{0101}$	3	$12n_{0128}$	3	$12n_{0155}$	3	$12n_{0182}$	3
$12n_{0102}$	3	$12n_{0129}$	3	$12n_{0156}$	3	$12n_{0183}$	3
$12n_{0103}$	3	$12n_{0130}$	3	$12n_{0157}$	3	$12n_{0184}$	3
$12n_{0104}$	3	$12n_{0131}$	3	$12n_{0158}$	3	$12n_{0185}$	3
$12n_{0105}$	3	$12n_{0132}$	3	$12n_{0159}$	3	$12n_{0186}$	3
$12n_{0106}$	3	$12n_{0133}$	3	$12n_{0160}$	3	$12n_{0187}$	3
$12n_{0107}$	3	$12n_{0134}$	3	$12n_{0161}$	3	$12n_{0188}$	3
$12n_{0108}$	3	$12n_{0135}$	3	$12n_{0162}$	3	$12n_{0189}$	3
$12n_{0109}$	3	$12n_{0136}$	3	$12n_{0163}$	3	$12n_{0190}$	3
$12n_{0110}$	3	$12n_{0137}$	3	$12n_{0164}$	3	$12n_{0191}$	3
$12n_{0111}$	3	$12n_{0138}$	3	$12n_{0165}$	3	$12n_{0192}$	3
$12n_{0112}$	3	$12n_{0139}$	3	$12n_{0166}$	3	$12n_{0193}$	3
$12n_{0113}$	3	$12n_{0140}$	3	$12n_{0167}$	3	$12n_{0194}$	3
$12n_{0114}$	3	$12n_{0141}$	3	$12n_{0168}$	3	$12n_{0195}$	3
$12n_{0115}$	3	$12n_{0142}$	3	$12n_{0169}$	3	$12n_{0196}$	3
$12n_{0116}$	3	$12n_{0143}$	3	$12n_{0170}$	3	$12n_{0197}$	3
$12n_{0117}$	3	$12n_{0144}$	3	$12n_{0171}$	3	$12n_{0198}$	3
$12n_{0118}$	3	$12n_{0145}$	3	$12n_{0172}$	3	$12n_{0199}$	3
$12n_{0119}$	3	$12n_{0146}$	3	$12n_{0173}$	3	$12n_{0200}$	3
$12n_{0120}$	3	$12n_{0147}$	3	$12n_{0174}$	3	$12n_{0201}$	3
$12n_{0121}$	3	$12n_{0148}$	3	$12n_{0175}$	3	$12n_{0202}$	3
$12n_{0122}$	3	$12n_{0149}$	3	$12n_{0176}$	3	$12n_{0203}$	3
$12n_{0123}$	3	$12n_{0150}$	3	$12n_{0177}$	3	$12n_{0204}$	3
$12n_{0124}$	3	$12n_{0151}$	3	$12n_{0178}$	3	$12n_{0205}$	3
$12n_{0125}$	3	$12n_{0152}$	3	$12n_{0179}$	3	$12n_{0206}$	3
$12n_{0126}$	3	$12n_{0153}$	3	$12n_{0180}$	3	$12n_{0207}$	3
$12n_{0127}$	3	$12n_{0154}$	3	$12n_{0181}$	3	$12n_{0208}$	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12n ₀₂₀₉	3	12n ₀₂₃₆	3	12n ₀₂₆₃	3	12n ₀₂₉₀	3
12n ₀₂₁₀	3	12n ₀₂₃₇	3	12n ₀₂₆₄	3	12n ₀₂₉₁	3
12n ₀₂₁₁	3	12n ₀₂₃₈	3	12n ₀₂₆₅	3	12n ₀₂₉₂	3
12n ₀₂₁₂	3	12n ₀₂₃₉	3	12n ₀₂₆₆	3	12n ₀₂₉₃	3
12n ₀₂₁₃	3	12n ₀₂₄₀	3	12n ₀₂₆₇	3	12n ₀₂₉₄	3
12n ₀₂₁₄	3	12n ₀₂₄₁	3	12n ₀₂₆₈	3	12n ₀₂₉₅	3
12n ₀₂₁₅	3	12n ₀₂₄₂	3	12n ₀₂₆₉	3	12n ₀₂₉₆	3
12n ₀₂₁₆	3	12n ₀₂₄₃	3	12n ₀₂₇₀	3	12n ₀₂₉₇	3
12n ₀₂₁₇	3	12n ₀₂₄₄	3	12n ₀₂₇₁	3	12n ₀₂₉₈	3
12n ₀₂₁₈	3	12n ₀₂₄₅	3	12n ₀₂₇₂	3	12n ₀₂₉₉	3
12n ₀₂₁₉	4	12n ₀₂₄₆	3	12n ₀₂₇₃	3	12n ₀₃₀₀	3
12n ₀₂₂₀	4	12n ₀₂₄₇	3	12n ₀₂₇₄	3	12n ₀₃₀₁	3
12n ₀₂₂₁	4	12n ₀₂₄₈	3	12n ₀₂₇₅	3	12n ₀₃₀₂	3
12n ₀₂₂₂	4	12n ₀₂₄₉	3	12n ₀₂₇₆	3	12n ₀₃₀₃	3
12n ₀₂₂₃	4	12n ₀₂₅₀	3	12n ₀₂₇₇	3	12n ₀₃₀₄	3
12n ₀₂₂₄	4	12n ₀₂₅₁	3	12n ₀₂₇₈	3	12n ₀₃₀₅	3
12n ₀₂₂₅	4	12n ₀₂₅₂	3	12n ₀₂₇₉	3	12n ₀₃₀₆	3
12n ₀₂₂₆	3	12n ₀₂₅₃	3	12n ₀₂₈₀	3	12n ₀₃₀₇	3
12n ₀₂₂₇	3	12n ₀₂₅₄	3	12n ₀₂₈₁	3	12n ₀₃₀₈	3
12n ₀₂₂₈	3	12n ₀₂₅₅	3	12n ₀₂₈₂	3	12n ₀₃₀₉	3
12n ₀₂₂₉	4	12n ₀₂₅₆	3	12n ₀₂₈₃	3	12n ₀₃₁₀	3
12n ₀₂₃₀	3	12n ₀₂₅₇	3	12n ₀₂₈₄	3	12n ₀₃₁₁	3
12n ₀₂₃₁	3	12n ₀₂₅₈	3	12n ₀₂₈₅	3	12n ₀₃₁₂	3
12n ₀₂₃₂	3	12n ₀₂₅₉	3	12n ₀₂₈₆	3	12n ₀₃₁₃	3
12n ₀₂₃₃	3	12n ₀₂₆₀	3	12n ₀₂₈₇	3	12n ₀₃₁₄	3
12n ₀₂₃₄	3	12n ₀₂₆₁	4	12n ₀₂₈₈	3	12n ₀₃₁₅	3
12n ₀₂₃₅	3	12n ₀₂₆₂	3	12n ₀₂₈₉	3	12n ₀₃₁₆	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12n ₀₃₁₇	3	12n ₀₃₄₄	3	12n ₀₃₇₁	3	12n ₀₃₉₈	3
12n ₀₃₁₈	3	12n ₀₃₄₅	3	12n ₀₃₇₂	3	12n ₀₃₉₉	3
12n ₀₃₁₉	3	12n ₀₃₄₆	3	12n ₀₃₇₃	3	12n ₀₄₀₀	3
12n ₀₃₂₀	3	12n ₀₃₄₇	3	12n ₀₃₇₄	3	12n ₀₄₀₁	3
12n ₀₃₂₁	3	12n ₀₃₄₈	3	12n ₀₃₇₅	3	12n ₀₄₀₂	3
12n ₀₃₂₂	3	12n ₀₃₄₉	3	12n ₀₃₇₆	3	12n ₀₄₀₃	3
12n ₀₃₂₃	3	12n ₀₃₅₀	3	12n ₀₃₇₇	3	12n ₀₄₀₄	3
12n ₀₃₂₄	3	12n ₀₃₅₁	3	12n ₀₃₇₈	3	12n ₀₄₀₅	3
12n ₀₃₂₅	3	12n ₀₃₅₂	3	12n ₀₃₇₉	3	12n ₀₄₀₆	3
12n ₀₃₂₆	3	12n ₀₃₅₃	3	12n ₀₃₈₀	3	12n ₀₄₀₇	3
12n ₀₃₂₇	3	12n ₀₃₅₄	3	12n ₀₃₈₁	3	12n ₀₄₀₈	3
12n ₀₃₂₈	3	12n ₀₃₅₅	3	12n ₀₃₈₂	3	12n ₀₄₀₉	3
12n ₀₃₂₉	3	12n ₀₃₅₆	3	12n ₀₃₈₃	3	12n ₀₄₁₀	3
12n ₀₃₃₀	3	12n ₀₃₅₇	3	12n ₀₃₈₄	3	12n ₀₄₁₁	3
12n ₀₃₃₁	3	12n ₀₃₅₈	3	12n ₀₃₈₅	3	12n ₀₄₁₂	3
12n ₀₃₃₂	3	12n ₀₃₅₉	3	12n ₀₃₈₆	3	12n ₀₄₁₃	3
12n ₀₃₃₃	3	12n ₀₃₆₀	3	12n ₀₃₈₇	3	12n ₀₄₁₄	3
12n ₀₃₃₄	3	12n ₀₃₆₁	3	12n ₀₃₈₈	3	12n ₀₄₁₅	3
12n ₀₃₃₅	3	12n ₀₃₆₂	3	12n ₀₃₈₉	3	12n ₀₄₁₆	3
12n ₀₃₃₆	3	12n ₀₃₆₃	3	12n ₀₃₉₀	3	12n ₀₄₁₇	3
12n ₀₃₃₇	3	12n ₀₃₆₄	3	12n ₀₃₉₁	3	12n ₀₄₁₈	3
12n ₀₃₃₈	3	12n ₀₃₆₅	3	12n ₀₃₉₂	3	12n ₀₄₁₉	3
12n ₀₃₃₉	3	12n ₀₃₆₆	3	12n ₀₃₉₃	3	12n ₀₄₂₀	3
12n ₀₃₄₀	3	12n ₀₃₆₇	3	12n ₀₃₉₄	3	12n ₀₄₂₁	3
12n ₀₃₄₁	3	12n ₀₃₆₈	3	12n ₀₃₉₅	3	12n ₀₄₂₂	3
12n ₀₃₄₂	3	12n ₀₃₆₉	3	12n ₀₃₉₆	3	12n ₀₄₂₃	3
12n ₀₃₄₃	3	12n ₀₃₇₀	3	12n ₀₃₉₇	3	12n ₀₄₂₄	3

(table continues)

K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$	K	$b(K)$
12n ₀₄₂₅	3	12n ₀₄₅₂	3	12n ₀₄₇₉	3	12n ₀₅₀₆	3
12n ₀₄₂₆	3	12n ₀₄₅₃	3	12n ₀₄₈₀	3	12n ₀₅₀₇	3
12n ₀₄₂₇	3	12n ₀₄₅₄	3	12n ₀₄₈₁	3	12n ₀₅₀₈	3
12n ₀₄₂₈	3	12n ₀₄₅₅	3	12n ₀₄₈₂	3	12n ₀₅₀₉	3
12n ₀₄₂₉	3	12n ₀₄₅₆	3	12n ₀₄₈₃	3	12n ₀₅₁₀	3
12n ₀₄₃₀	3	12n ₀₄₅₇	3	12n ₀₄₈₄	3	12n ₀₅₁₁	3
12n ₀₄₃₁	3	12n ₀₄₅₈	3	12n ₀₄₈₅	3	12n ₀₅₁₂	3
12n ₀₄₃₂	3	12n ₀₄₅₉	3	12n ₀₄₈₆	3	12n ₀₅₁₃	3
12n ₀₄₃₃	3	12n ₀₄₆₀	3	12n ₀₄₈₇	3	12n ₀₅₁₄	3
12n ₀₄₃₄	3	12n ₀₄₆₁	3	12n ₀₄₈₈	3	12n ₀₅₁₅	3
12n ₀₄₃₅	3	12n ₀₄₆₂	3	12n ₀₄₈₉	3	12n ₀₅₁₆	3
12n ₀₄₃₆	3	12n ₀₄₆₃	3	12n ₀₄₉₀	3	12n ₀₅₁₇	3
12n ₀₄₃₇	3	12n ₀₄₆₄	3	12n ₀₄₉₁	3	12n ₀₅₁₈	3
12n ₀₄₃₈	3	12n ₀₄₆₅	3	12n ₀₄₉₂	3	12n ₀₅₁₉	3
12n ₀₄₃₉	3	12n ₀₄₆₆	3	12n ₀₄₉₃	3	12n ₀₅₂₀	3
12n ₀₄₄₀	3	12n ₀₄₆₇	3	12n ₀₄₉₄	3	12n ₀₅₂₁	3
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12n0535	3	12n0562	3	12n0589	3	12n0616	3
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12n0538	3	12n0565	3	12n0592	3	12n0619	3
12n0539	3	12n0566	3	12n0593	3	12n0620	3
12n0540	3	12n0567	3	12n0594	3	12n0621	3
12n0541	3	12n0568	3	12n0595	3	12n0622	3
12n0542	3	12n0569	3	12n0596	3	12n0623	3
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12n0544	3	12n0571	3	12n0598	3	12n0625	3
12n0545	3	12n0572	3	12n0599	3	12n0626	3
12n0546	3	12n0573	3	12n0600	3	12n0627	3
12n0547	3	12n0574	3	12n0601	3	12n0628	3
12n0548	3	12n0575	3	12n0602	3	12n0629	3
12n0549	3	12n0576	3	12n0603	3	12n0630	3
12n0550	3	12n0577	3	12n0604	3	12n0631	3
12n0551	3	12n0578	3	12n0605	3	12n0632	3
12n0552	3	12n0579	3	12n0606	3	12n0633	3
12n0553	4	12n0580	3	12n0607	3	12n0634	3
12n0554	4	12n0581	3	12n0608	3	12n0635	3
12n0555	4	12n0582	3	12n0609	3	12n0636	3
12n0556	4	12n0583	3	12n0610	3	12n0637	3
12n0557	3	12n0584	3	12n0611	3	12n0638	3
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$12n_{0857}$	3	$12n_{0865}$	3	$12n_{0873}$	3	$12n_{0881}$	3
$12n_{0858}$	3	$12n_{0866}$	3	$12n_{0874}$	3	$12n_{0882}$	3
$12n_{0859}$	3	$12n_{0867}$	3	$12n_{0875}$	3	$12n_{0883}$	3
$12n_{0860}$	3	$12n_{0868}$	3	$12n_{0876}$	3	$12n_{0884}$	3
$12n_{0861}$	3	$12n_{0869}$	3	$12n_{0877}$	3	$12n_{0885}$	3
$12n_{0862}$	3	$12n_{0870}$	3	$12n_{0878}$	3	$12n_{0886}$	3
$12n_{0863}$	3	$12n_{0871}$	3	$12n_{0879}$	3	$12n_{0887}$	3
$12n_{0864}$	3	$12n_{0872}$	3	$12n_{0880}$	3	$12n_{0888}$	3

APPENDIX C

CODE USED TO COMPUTE THE BRIDGE INDEXES

Following is the code we used to compute the upper bound on the bridge indexes. The formatting of the code has been adjusting slightly to improve readability in print format.

C.1 bridge_computation.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python2.7

import ast
import csv
import json
import logging
import sys, getopt, os
from reduce_bridges import *

logging.basicConfig(filename='bridge_computation.log', filemode='w',
                    format='%(asctime)s: %(message)s', datefmt='%m/%d/%Y %I:%M:%S %p',
                    level=logging.WARNING)

def bridge_computation(argv):
    inputfile = ''
    outputdir = 'output'
    try:
        opts, args = getopt.getopt(argv,"hi:o:",["inputfile=", "outputdir",])
    except getopt.GetoptError:
        print 'bridge_computation.py -i <inputfile> -o <outputdir>'
        sys.exit(2)
    for opt, arg in opts:
        if opt == '-h':
            print 'bridge_computation.py -i <inputfile> -o <outputdir>'
            sys.exit()
        elif opt in ("-i", "--inputfile"):
            inputfile = arg
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elif opt in ("-o", "--outputdir"):
    outputdir = arg

# Create a directory for outputs.
if not os.path.exists(outputdir):
    os.makedirs(outputdir)

if os.path.isdir(inputfile):
    # Traverse the directory to process all csv files.
    for root, dirs, files in os.walk(inputfile):
        for file in files:
            if file.endswith(".csv"):
                try:
                    calculate_bridge_index(
                        os.path.join(root, file), outputdir)
                except:
                    logging.error('Failed to fully process ' + str(file))
                    print 'Failed to fully process ' + str(file)
elif os.path.isfile(inputfile):
    calculate_bridge_index(inputfile, outputdir)
else:
    input_message = ' '.join([
        'The specified input is not a file or a directory.',
        'Please try a different input.'])
    print input_message
    logging.warning(input_message)

def calculate_bridge_index(inputfile, outputdir):
    # Read in a CSV.
    with open(inputfile) as csvfile:
        fieldnames = ['name', 'pd_notation']
        knotreader = csv.DictReader(csvfile)
        for row in knotreader:
            # Create a file to store the output of all trees of this knot.
            outfile_name = outputdir + '/' + row['name'] + '_output.csv'
            with open(outfile_name, "w") as outfile:
                outputwriter = csv.writer(outfile, delimiter=',')
                outputwriter.writerow(['name', 'computed_bridge_index'])
            try:
                # Create a knot object.

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        ast.literal_eval(tree['pd_notation']),
        tree['name'],
        ast.literal_eval(tree['bridges']))
while knot.free_crossings != []:
    try:
        # Drag underpasses & simplify
        # until no moves are possible.
        args = knot.find_crossing_to_drag()
        knot.drag_crossing_under_bridge_resursively(*args)
        knot.simplify_rm1_rm2_recursively()
    except:
        break
if knot.free_crossings == []:
    write_output(knot, outfile_name)
else:
    knot.list_bridge_ts(subdir, depth + 1)
    more_to_process = True

return more_to_process

def write_output(knot, outfile_name):
    computed_bridge_index = len(knot.bridges)
    info_message = ' '.join([
        'Finished processing', str(knot.name) + '.',
        'The final bridge number is', str(computed_bridge_index)])
    logging.info(info_message)
    logging.debug('The final PD code of ' + str(knot.name) + ' is ' + str(knot))
    # Add the results to our output file.
    try:
        with open(outfile_name, "a") as outfile:
            outputwriter = csv.writer(outfile, delimiter=',')
            outputwriter.writerow([knot.name, computed_bridge_index])
    except IOError:
        error_message = ' '.join([
            'Cannot write output file.',
            'Be sure the directory "outputs" exists and is writeable.'])
        sys.exit(error_message)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    bridge_computation(sys.argv[1:])

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C.2 reduce_bridges.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python2.7

import itertools
from itertools import repeat
import logging
import numpy
import sys, os, csv, copy

class Crossing:
    def __init__(self, pd_code, bridge = None):
        self.pd_code = pd_code
        self.bridge = bridge

    def __eq__(self, other):
        return self.pd_code == other.pd_code and self.bridge == other.bridge

    def __hash__(self):
        return hash(tuple(self.pd_code))

    def __str__(self):
        return str([self.pd_code, self.bridge])

    def alter_elements_greater_than(self, value, addend, maximum = None):
        """
        Change the value of all elements in a Crossing which are greater
        than the provided value.

        Arguments:
        value -- (int) The number to compare each element of the crossing with.
        addend -- (int) The number to add to crossing elements greater than value.
        maximum -- (int) The maximum allowed value of elements in the crossing.
        """
        self.pd_code = [alter_if_greater(x, value, addend, maximum) for x in
            self.pd_code]
        return self

    def alter_for_drag(self, ordered_segments):
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self.pd_code = [
    alter_element_for_drag(x, ordered_segments[0],
        ordered_segments[1]) for x in self.pd_code]
return self

def has_duplicate_value(self):
    """
    Determine if there are duplicate values in the PD notation of a crossing.
    """
    sets = reduce(
        lambda (u, d), o : (u.union([o]), d.union(u.intersection([o]))),
        self.pd_code,
        (set(), set()))
    if sets[1]:
        return list(sets[1])[0]
    else:
        return False

def overpass_traveled_from(self):
    """
    Find the value of the overcross segment of a crossing we travel from
    toward the other.
    """
    e,f,g,h = self.pd_code
    if abs(f - h) == 1:
        return min(f, h)
    else:
        return max(f, h)

class Knot:
    def __init__(self, crossings, name = None, bridges = None):
        self.name = name
        self.crossings = crossings # crossings is a list of Crossing objects
        self.free_crossings = crossings[:]
        self.bridges = {}
        if bridges:
            for bridge in bridges.itervalues():
                bridge_end = bridge[0]
                for free_crossing in self.free_crossings:
                    count = free_crossing.pd_code.count(bridge_end)

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        if count == 1:
            i = free_crossing.pd_code.index(bridge_end)
            if ((i == 1) or (i == 3)):
                self.designate_bridge(free_crossing)
                break
        elif count == 2:
            self.designate_bridge(free_crossing)
            break

def __eq__(self, other):
    return self.crossings == other.crossings

def __str__(self):
    return str([crossing.pd_code for crossing in self.crossings])

def alter_bridge_segments_greater_than(self, value, addend, maximum = None):
    """
    Change the value of the bridge end segments if they are greater
    than the provided value.

    Arguments:
    value -- (int) The number to compare each segment with.
    addend -- (int) The number to add to the segments greater than value.
    maximum -- (int) The maximum allowed value of segments in the bridge.
    """
    for bridge_index, bridge in self.bridges.iteritems():
        for x in bridge:
            x_index = bridge.index(x)
            self.bridges[bridge_index][x_index] = alter_if_greater(x, value,
                                                                    addend,
                                                                    maximum)

    return self

def bridge_crossings(self):
    return diff(self.crossings, self.free_crossings)

def delete_bridge(self, bridge_key):
    for crossing in self.bridge_crossings():
        if (crossing.bridge == bridge_key):
            crossing.bridge = None

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        self.free_crossings.append(crossing)
del(self.bridges[bridge_key])
logging.debug('The bridge with key ' + str(bridge_key)
              + ' has been deleted.')
return self

def delete_crossings(self, indices):
    """
    Delete crossings from a knot.
    This removes objects from both knot.crossings and knot.free_crossings.

    Arguments:
    indices -- (list) the indices of the crossings to delete
    """
    # Delete crossings from last to first to avoid changing
    # the index of crossings not yet processed.
    indices.sort(reverse = True)
    for index in indices:
        del self.crossings[index]
    self.free_crossings = list(
        set(self.crossings).intersection(self.free_crossings))
    return self

def designate_additional_bridge(self):
    """
    Choose a crossing to designate as a bridge based on existing bridges.
    """
    bridge_crossings = self.bridge_crossings()
    bridge_ends = [x for bridge_ends in self.bridges.itervalues()
                   for x in bridge_ends]
    all_bridge_segments = [crossing.pd_code[i] for crossing in bridge_crossings
                           for i in [0, 2]]
    bridge_interior_segments = diff(all_bridge_segments, bridge_ends)

    for free_crossing in self.free_crossings:
        interior_match = list(
            set([free_crossing.pd_code[1], free_crossing.pd_code[3]])
            & set(bridge_interior_segments))
        end_match = list(set(bridge_ends) & set(free_crossing.pd_code))
        if (interior_match or end_match):

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        self.designate_bridge(free_crossing)
        return self

    logging.critical('We were unable to designate an additional bridge.')
    sys.exit('We were unable to designate an additional bridge for '
            + self.name + '.')

def designate_bridge(self, crossing):
    """
    Identify a crossing as a bridge and extend until it deadends.

    Arguments:
    crossing -- (obj) a crossing
    """
    # Determine the key for this bridge.
    bridge_keys = self.bridges.keys()
    if (bridge_keys):
        key = max(bridge_keys) + 1
    else:
        key = 0
    # Designate the bridge and update the crossing's info.
    self.bridges[key] = [crossing.pd_code[1], crossing.pd_code[3]]
    self.free_crossings.remove(crossing)
    crossing.bridge = key
    logging.debug('Crossing ' + str(crossing.pd_code)
                + ' has been designated as a bridge with key ' + str(key))
    self.extend_bridge(crossing.bridge)

def drag_crossing_under_bridge(self, crossing_to_drag, adjacent_segment):
    def find_bridge_to_go_under(adjacent_segment):
        """
        Return the bridge crossing under which to drag a free crossing.

        Arguments:
        adjacent_segment -- (int) The PD code value of the segment to drag
            a crossing along.
        """
        for crossing in self.bridge_crossings():
            if adjacent_segment in crossing.pd_code:
                return crossing

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bridge_crossing = find_bridge_to_go_under(adjacent_segment)
a, b, c, d = crossing_to_drag.pd_code
e, f, g, h = bridge_crossing.pd_code
new_max_pd_val = self.max_pd_code_value()+4
bid = bridge_crossing.bridge
y = bridge_crossing.overpass_traveled_from()
adjacent_segment_index = crossing_to_drag.pd_code.index(adjacent_segment)

logging.debug('We will drag ' + str(crossing_to_drag.pd_code)
             + ' under ' + str(bridge_crossing.pd_code))

# Alter the PD codes of all crossings not involved in the drag.
a_y_sorted = sorted([a, y])
for crossing in diff(self.crossings, [crossing_to_drag, bridge_crossing]):
    crossing.alter_for_drag(a_y_sorted)

# Replace the crossing being dragged, (a,b,c,d).
if d == e:
    i = sorted([a, y, b]).index(b)
    if a < y:
        m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a, a+1, a+2, a+3, a+1, a+2,
            alter_if_greater(b+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
            alter_if_greater(b+2+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
        if y == f:
            logging.debug('Dragging case d=e, a<y, y==f')
            y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [4,5], new_max_pd_val)
            y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)
        elif y == h:
            logging.debug('Dragging case d=e, a<y, y==h')
            y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)
            y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [4,5], new_max_pd_val)
    if a > y:
        m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a+2, a+3, a+4,
            alter_if_greater(a+5, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
            a+3, a+4,
            alter_if_greater(b+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
            alter_if_greater(b+2+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
        if y == f:
            logging.debug('Dragging case d=e, a>y, y==f')

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        y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
        y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [1,0], new_max_pd_val)
    elif y == h:
        logging.debug('Dragging case d=e, a>y, y==h')
        y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [1,0], new_max_pd_val)
        y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
elif b == e:
    i = sorted([a,y,d]).index(d)
    if a < y:
        m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a, a+1, a+2, a+3, a+1, a+2,
            alter_if_greater(d+2+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
            alter_if_greater(d+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
        if y == f:
            logging.debug('Dragging case b=e, a<y, y==f')
            y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
            y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [5,4], new_max_pd_val)
        elif y == h:
            logging.debug('Dragging case b=e, a<y, y==h')
            y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [5,4], new_max_pd_val)
            y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
    if a > y:
        m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a+2, a+3, a+4,
            alter_if_greater(a+5, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
            a+3, a+4,
            alter_if_greater(d+2+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
            alter_if_greater(d+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
        if y == f:
            logging.debug('Dragging case b=e, a>y, y==f')
            y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [0,1], new_max_pd_val)
            y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)
        elif y == h:
            logging.debug('Dragging case b=e, a>y, y==h')
            y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)
            y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [0,1], new_max_pd_val)
elif d == g:
    i = sorted([a,y,e]).index(e)
    if a < y:
        m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a, a+1, a+2, a+3, a+1, a+2,
            alter_if_greater(e+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
            e+2*i

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if y == f:
    logging.debug('Dragging case d=g, a<y, y==f')
    y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)
    y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [4,5], new_max_pd_val)
elif y == h:
    logging.debug('Dragging case d=g, a<y, y==h')
    y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [4,5], new_max_pd_val)
    y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)
if a > y:
    m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a+2, a+3, a+4,
    alter_if_greater(a+5, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
    a+3, a+4,
    alter_if_greater(e+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
    e+2*i
if y == f:
    logging.debug('Dragging case d=g, a>y, y==f')
    y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [1,0], new_max_pd_val)
    y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
elif y == h:
    logging.debug('Dragging case d=g, a>y, y==h')
    y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
    y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [1,0], new_max_pd_val)
elif b == g:
    i = sorted([a,y,e]).index(e)
if a < y:
    m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a, a+1, a+2, a+3, a+1, a+2, e+2*i,
    alter_if_greater(e+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
if y == f:
    logging.debug('Dragging case b=g, a<y, y==f')
    y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [5,4], new_max_pd_val)
    y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
elif y == h:
    logging.debug('Dragging case b=g, a<y, y==h')
    y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [2,3], new_max_pd_val)
    y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [5,4], new_max_pd_val)
if a > y:
    m, n, r, s, t, u, v, w = a+2, a+3, a+4,
    alter_if_greater(a+5, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val),
    a+3, a+4, e+2*i,
    alter_if_greater(e+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)

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    if y == f:
        logging.debug('Dragging case b=g, a>y, y==f')
        y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)
        y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [0,1], new_max_pd_val)
    elif y == h:
        logging.debug('Dragging case b=g, a>y, y==h')
        y_vals_one = alter_y_values(y, [0,1], new_max_pd_val)
        y_vals_two = alter_y_values(y, [3,2], new_max_pd_val)

crossing_one = Crossing([m, y_vals_one[0], n, y_vals_one[1]], bid)
crossing_two = Crossing([r, y_vals_two[0], s, y_vals_two[1]], bid)
crossing_to_drag.pd_code = [t, v, u, w]
index = self.crossings.index(crossing_to_drag)
self.crossings[index:index+1] = crossing_one, crossing_to_drag, crossing_two
logging.debug('(a,b,c,d) becomes ' + str(crossing_one.pd_code)
    + str(crossing_to_drag.pd_code) + str(crossing_two.pd_code))

# Alter the PD code of the bridge crossing, (e,f,g,h).
if b == e:
    m = alter_if_greater(d+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
    n = alter_if_greater(d+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
if d == e:
    m = alter_if_greater(b+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
    n = alter_if_greater(b+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
elif (d == g) or (b == g):
    m = alter_if_greater(e+1+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
    n = alter_if_greater(e+2+2*i, new_max_pd_val, 0, new_max_pd_val)
addends = get_y_addends(a, h, y)
bridge_crossing.pd_code = [m, y+addends[0], n, y+addends[1]]
logging.debug('(e,f,g,h) becomes ' + str(bridge_crossing.pd_code))

logging.debug('PD code of the knot after dragging is ' + str(self))

# Alter PD code values of bridge ends.
for i, bridge in self.bridges.iteritems():
    self.bridges[i] = map(alter_element_for_drag, bridge,
        repeat(a_y_sorted[0],2), repeat(a_y_sorted[1],2))

# Check if the crossing we dragged is now covered by a bridge.
for i, bridge in self.bridges.iteritems():

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    for end in bridge:
        if (end == crossing_to_drag.pd_code[1])
            or (end == crossing_to_drag.pd_code[3]):
            self.extend_bridge(i)
            logging.debug('Bridge end ' + str(end)
                + ' has been extended to cover the crossing we dragged')
logging.debug('After dragging and altering, the bridges are '
    + str(self.bridges))

# Get the value of the next segment to drag along in case we continue
# with this crossing.
next_segment = crossing_to_drag.pd_code[adjacent_segment_index]
logging.debug('If we drag this crossing again, we should drag it along '
    + str(next_segment))

return crossing_to_drag, next_segment

def drag_crossing_under_bridge_resursively(self, crossing_to_drag,
                                           adjacent_segment, drag_count):
    """
    Drag a crossing under multiple, consecutive bridges.

    Arguments:
    crossing_to_drag -- (obj) A Crossing to drag
    adjacent_segment -- (int) The PD code value of the adjacent segment to
        drag along
    drag_count -- (int) The number of bridges to drag the crossing underneath
    """
    while (drag_count > 0):
        crossing_to_drag, adjacent_segment = self.drag_crossing_under_bridge(
            crossing_to_drag, adjacent_segment)
        drag_count -= 1
        # Stop if the crossing being dragged has been assigned to a bridge.
        if crossing_to_drag.bridge:
            break;

def extend_bridge(self, bridge_index):
    """
    Extend both ends of a bridge until it deadends.

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Arguments:
bridge_index -- (int) the index of the bridge to extend
"""
bridge = self.bridges[bridge_index]
logging.debug('We will try to extend the bridge ' + str(bridge))
for x in bridge:
    index = bridge.index(x)
    x_is_deadend = False
    while (x_is_deadend == False):
        result = filter(lambda free_crossing: x in free_crossing.pd_code,
                        self.free_crossings)
        if result:
            crossing = result.pop()
            if x == crossing.pd_code[1]:
                logging.debug('Bridge end ' + str(x)
                              + ' can be extended to ' + str(crossing.pd_code[3]))
                bridge[index] = crossing.pd_code[3]
                x = crossing.pd_code[3]
                self.free_crossings.remove(crossing)
                crossing.bridge = bridge_index
            elif x == crossing.pd_code[3]:
                logging.debug('Bridge end ' + str(x)
                              + ' can be extended to ' + str(crossing.pd_code[1]))
                bridge[index] = crossing.pd_code[1]
                x = crossing.pd_code[1]
                self.free_crossings.remove(crossing)
                crossing.bridge = bridge_index
            else:
                logging.debug('Bridge end ' + str(x)
                              + ' is a dead-end and cannot be extended')
                x_is_deadend = True
        else:
            break;

def find_crossing_to_drag(self):
    max_pd_code_value = self.max_pd_code_value()
    for bridge in self.bridges.itervalues():
        for end in bridge:
            crossings_containing_end = []
            for crossing in self.bridge_crossings():

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    if end in crossing.pd_code:
        crossings_containing_end.append(crossing)
if len(crossings_containing_end) == 2:
    # end is a T stem.
    logging.debug(str(end) + ' is a T stem')

# Get the value of the segment adjacent to end.
for end_crossing in crossings_containing_end:
    i = end_crossing.pd_code.index(end)
    if (i%2 == 0):
        adjacent_segment = end_crossing.pd_code[(i+2)%4]
        logging.debug('The segment adjacent to the T stem is '
            + str(adjacent_segment))
        # Determine the addend needed to calculate the next
        # adjacent segment based on the direction we travel
        # along the T stem.
        if i == 0:
            next_segment_addend = 1
        else:
            next_segment_addend = -1
        logging.debug('The next_segment_addend is '
            + str(next_segment_addend))
        break;

drag_count = 0
continue_search = True
while continue_search:
    reached_deadend = False

    # Does adjacent_segment belong to a free crossing (deadend)?
    for free_crossing in self.free_crossings:
        if adjacent_segment in free_crossing.pd_code:
            reached_deadend = True
            break;

    if reached_deadend:
        if (free_crossing.pd_code.index(adjacent_segment)%2
            == 1):
            # The crossing is oriented such that we can drag it.
            drag_count += 1

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        logging.debug('Crossing '
            + str(free_crossing.pd_code)
            + ' can be dragged along '
            + str(adjacent_segment))
        return (free_crossing, adjacent_segment, drag_count)
    else:
        continue_search = False
        logging.debug(
            'We have completed our search of this stem')
        break
else:
    drag_count += 1
    # Consider the next crossing along the T stem.
    adjacent_segment = next_adjacent_segment(
        adjacent_segment, next_segment_addend,
        max_pd_code_value)
    logging.debug('We need to consider the next crossing'
        + ' along the T stem containing '
        + str(adjacent_segment))

# If we check all of the bridge Ts and cannot find a crossing to drag,
# return False to signify we need to identify a new bridge.
logging.debug('There are no crossings to drag. '
    + ' We need to identify another bridge.')
return False

def has_rm1(self):
    """
    Inspect a knot for crossings that can be eliminated
    by Reidemeister moves of type 1.
    """
    twisted_crossings = []
    for index, crossing in enumerate(self.crossings):
        if crossing.has_duplicate_value():
            twisted_crossings.append(index)
            logging.debug('The knot can be simplified by RM1 at crossing '
                + str(crossing.pd_code))
    return twisted_crossings
return False

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def has_rm2(self):
    """
    Inspect a knot for crossings that can be eliminated
    by Reidemeister moves of type 2.

    Return the crossings which form an arc and
    the PD code value of the segments which will be eliminated when the
    knot is simplified.
    """
    def compare_pd_codes_for_rm2(indices_to_compare, current_crossing,
                                  next_crossing):
        output = False
        for comparision in indices_to_compare:
            current_comparision = [current_crossing.pd_code[comparision[0][0]],
                                   current_crossing.pd_code[comparision[0][1]]]
            next_comparision = [next_crossing.pd_code[comparision[1][0]],
                                next_crossing.pd_code[comparision[1][1]]]
            if current_comparision == next_comparision:
                # True if a RM2 move is possible.
                pd_code_segments_to_eliminate = []
                for segment_to_eliminate in current_comparision:
                    if segment_to_eliminate == 1:
                        pd_code_segments_to_eliminate.append(
                            [segment_to_eliminate, -1])
                    else:
                        pd_code_segments_to_eliminate.append(
                            [segment_to_eliminate, -2])
                output = ([index, next_index], pd_code_segments_to_eliminate)
                break
        return output

    num_crossings = len(self.crossings)
    has_rm2 = False
    for index, current_crossing in enumerate(self.crossings):
        if has_rm2 == False:
            next_index = (index+1)%num_crossings
            next_crossing = self.crossings[next_index]
            difference = max(
                current_crossing.pd_code[0],
                next_crossing.pd_code[0]) - min(current_crossing.pd_code[0],

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next_crossing.pd_code[0])

    if (difference == 1):
        indices_to_compare = [[2,3],[0,3],[1,2],[1,0]]
        has_rm2 = compare_pd_codes_for_rm2(indices_to_compare,
            current_crossing, next_crossing)
    elif (difference == num_crossings-1):
        indices_to_compare = [[0,3],[2,3],[0,1],[2,1]]
        has_rm2 = compare_pd_codes_for_rm2(indices_to_compare,
            current_crossing, next_crossing)
    else:
        break
return has_rm2

def list_bridge_ts(self, directory, depth):
    """
    Generate a list of bridge choices that form a "T".

    Arguments:
    directory -- (str) The base path to store all the output files.
    depth -- (int) The depth of the tree
    """
    if self.bridges == {}:
        i = 1
        depth_suffix = '_' + str(depth)
        for a, b in itertools.combinations(self.free_crossings, 2):
            if list(set(a.pd_code).intersection(b.pd_code)):
                name = self.name + '_tree_' + str(i) + depth_suffix
                e,f,g,h = a.pd_code
                p,q,r,s = b.pd_code
                bridges = {0:[f,h],1:[q,s]}
                logging.debug('We found ' + name + ' at '
                    + str(a.pd_code) + ', ' + str(b.pd_code))
                # Create the directory for this tree.
                tree_directory = directory + '/tree_' + str(i)
                if not os.path.exists(tree_directory):
                    os.makedirs(tree_directory)
                # Create the file to store the tree root.
                tree_file = tree_directory + '/tree_' + str(i)
                    + depth_suffix + '.csv'
                outfile = open(tree_file, "w")

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        outputwriter = csv.writer(outfile, delimiter=',')
        outputwriter.writerow(['name', 'pd_notation', 'bridges'])
        outputwriter.writerow([name, str(self), bridges])
        i += 1
    outfile.close()
else:
    # Check if a file for this knot & depth exists. If not, create the file.
    tree_prefix = directory.rsplit('/', 1)[1]
    depth_suffix = '_' + str(depth)
    file_name = tree_prefix + depth_suffix + '.csv'
    file_path = directory + '/' + file_name
    if not os.path.isfile(file_path):
        # Create the file we need with headers.
        with open(file_path, "w") as outfile:
            outputwriter = csv.writer(outfile, delimiter=',')
            outputwriter.writerow(['name', 'pd_notation', 'bridges'])
    # Find and store bridge Ts.
    i = 1
    for a, b in itertools.product(self.bridge_crossings(),
        self.free_crossings):
        knot_copy = copy.deepcopy(self)
        if list(set(a.pd_code).intersection(b.pd_code)):
            knot_copy.designate_bridge(b)
            knot_name_parts = self.name.rsplit('_', 1)
            knot_copy_name = knot_name_parts[0] + '_' + str(i)
            with open(file_path, "a") as outfile:
                outputwriter = csv.writer(outfile, delimiter=',')
                outputwriter.writerow([knot_copy_name,
                    str(knot_copy), str(knot_copy.bridges)])
            i += 1

def max_pd_code_value(self):
    """
    Return the maximum value possible in the PD code.
    """
    return len(self.crossings)*2

def merge_bridges(self, bridge_a, bridge_b):
    """
    Merge bridges that become one through Reidemeister moves type 1 or 2.

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Arguments:
bridge_a -- The key of a bridge invloved in the merge.
bridge_b -- The key of the other bridge invovled in the merge.
"""
self.delete_bridge(bridge_a)
self.extend_bridge(bridge_b)
return self

def num_crossings(self):
    """
    Return the number of crossings in the knot.
    """
    return len(self.crossings)

def simplify_bridges(self, key):
    """
    Delete or merge bridges eliminated as part of Reidemeister moves.

    Arguments:
    key -- The index of the bridge to eliminate or None.
    """
    if key != None:
        bridge_to_check = self.bridges[key]
        if (bridge_to_check[0] == bridge_to_check[1]):
            # Remove the bridge if it has become a simple arc.
            self.delete_bridge(key)
        else:
            other_bridges = {other_key: value for other_key, value in
                             self.bridges.items() if other_key != key}
            for (end, (other_key, other_ends)) in
                 itertools.product(bridge_to_check, other_bridges.items()):
                if end in other_ends:
                    # Merge bridges that have been joined.
                    self.merge_bridges(key, other_key)
                    break
    return self

def simplify_rm1(self, twisted_crossings):
    """

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Simplify one level of a knot by Reidemeister moves of type 1.

Arguments:

`twisted_crossings` -- (list) the indices of crossings to eliminate

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def alter_bridge_end_for_rm1(x, duplicate_value, max_value):
    if x > duplicate_value:
        x -= 2
        if x > max_value:
            x = x%max_value
    elif x == duplicate_value:
        if duplicate_value == 1:
            x = max_value
        elif duplicate_value == max_value+2:
            x = 1
        else:
            x -= 1
    return x

crossings = self.crossings
for index in sorted(twisted_crossings, reverse = True):
    duplicate_value = self.crossings[index].has_duplicate_value()
    key = self.crossings[index].bridge
    original_max_value = len(self.crossings)*2
    self.delete_crossings([index])
    new_max_value = original_max_value-2

    if duplicate_value == original_max_value:
        extend_if_bridge_end = [1, duplicate_value + 1]
        # Adjust crossings.
        for crossing in self.crossings:
            crossing.alter_elements_greater_than(new_max_value,
                                                -new_max_value, new_max_value)
    else:
        extend_if_bridge_end = [duplicate_value - 1, duplicate_value + 1]
        # Adjust crossings.
        for crossing in self.crossings:
            crossing.alter_elements_greater_than(duplicate_value, -2,
                                                new_max_value)
for i, bridge in self.bridges.iteritems():
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    # Adjust bridges.
    self.bridges[i] = map(alter_bridge_end_for_rm1, bridge,
        repeat(duplicate_value, 2), repeat(new_max_value, 2))
    # Try to extend bridges.
    extend_bridge = any(x in bridge for x in extend_if_bridge_end)
    if extend_bridge:
        self.extend_bridge(i)
    self.simplify_bridges(key)
    logging.info('After simplifying the knot for RM1 at segment '
        + str(duplicate_value) + ', the PD code is ' + str(self)
        + ' and the bridges are ' + str(self.bridges))
return self

def simplify_rm1_recursively(self):
    """
    Simplify a knot by Reidemeister moves of type 1 until
    no more moves are possible.
    """
    while True:
        moves_possible = self.has_rm1()
        if moves_possible:
            self.simplify_rm1(moves_possible)
        if not moves_possible:
            break
    return self

def simplify_rm2(self, crossing_indices, segments_to_eliminate):
    """
    Simplify a knot by one Reidemeister move of type 2.

    Arguments:
    crossing_indices -- (list) the indices of crossings to remove
    segments_to_eliminate -- (list) each element is a list of the PD code of a
        segment that is simplified and the addend to apply to all
        greater PD code values.
    """
    key = self.crossings[crossing_indices[0]].bridge
    self.delete_crossings(crossing_indices)
    maximum = len(self.crossings) * 2
    extend_if_bridge_end = []

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segments_to_eliminate.sort(reverse = True)

logging.info('The segments ' + str(segments_to_eliminate[0][0])
            + ' and ' + str(segments_to_eliminate[1][0])
            + ' can be eliminated by RM2 moves.')

for segment in segments_to_eliminate:
    value, addend = segment

    # Alter values of each crossing.
    for crossing in self.crossings:
        crossing.alter_elements_greater_than(value, addend)

    # Adjust bridges.
    for key, bridge in self.bridges.iteritems():
        self.bridges[key] = map(alter_if_greater, bridge,
                                repeat(value, 2), repeat(addend, 2))

    # Alter values of remaining segments to eliminate.
    segments_to_eliminate = alter_segment_elements_greater_than(
        segments_to_eliminate, value, addend)

    # Remove segments as we finish with them.
    del(segments_to_eliminate[-1])

# Mod final crossings based on maximum value allowed.
for crossing in self.crossings:
    crossing.alter_elements_greater_than(maximum, 0, maximum)
# Mod final bridge ends based on maximum value allowed.
self.alter_bridge_segments_greater_than(maximum, 0, maximum)

extend_if_bridge_end = [value - 1, value + 1]
for bridge_index, bridge in self.bridges.iteritems():
    extend_bridge = any(x in bridge for x in extend_if_bridge_end)
    if extend_bridge:
        self.extend_bridge(bridge_index)
self.simplify_bridges(key)
logging.info('After simplifying by RM2, the PD code is ' + str(self)
            + ' and the bridges are ' + str(self.bridges))

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    return self

def simplify_rm2_recursively(self):
    """Simplify a knot by Reidemeister moves of type 2 until
    no more moves are possible.
    """
    while True:
        moves_possible = self.has_rm2()
        if moves_possible:
            self.simplify_rm2(moves_possible[0], moves_possible[1])
        if not moves_possible:
            break;
    return self

def simplify_rm1_rm2_recursively(self):
    """
    Simplify a knot by Reidemeister moves of types 1 & 2 until
    no more moves are possible.
    """
    while True:
        if self.has_rm1():
            self.simplify_rm1_recursively()
        if self.has_rm2():
            self.simplify_rm2_recursively()
        if not self.has_rm1() and not self.has_rm2():
            logging.info('No more moves of type RM1 or RM2 are possible.')
            break;
    return self

def alter_element_for_drag(x, first, second):
    """
    A helper function for the drag the underpass move to adjust PD code values
    of crossings not directly involved in the move.

    Arguments:
    x -- (int) The value to alter.
    first -- (int) The PD code value of the first segment we travel into.
    second -- (int) The PD code value of the second segment we travel into.
    """
    if x <= first:

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        return x
    if first < x <= second:
        return x+2
    if x > second:
        return x+4

def alter_if_greater(x, value, addend, maximum = None):
    """
    Arguments:
    x -- (int) The number to alter.
    value -- (int) The number to compare each element of the crossing with.
    addend -- (int) The number to add to crossing elements greater than value.
    maximum -- (int) The maximum allowed value of elements in the crossing.
    """
    if x > value:
        x += addend
        if x == 0:
            x = maximum
        if maximum and (x > maximum):
            x = x%maximum
    return x

def alter_segment_elements_greater_than(segments, value, addend):
    """
    Arguments:
    segments -- (list) A list of lists of integers to alter.
    value -- (int) The number to compare each element of the crossing with.
    addend -- (int) The number to add to crossing elements greater than value.
    """
    altered_segments = []
    for pair in segments:
        altered_segments.append([alter_if_greater(x, value, addend) for x in pair])
    return altered_segments

def alter_y_values(y, addends, maximum):
    """
    A helper function for the drag the underpass move.

    Arguments:
    y -- (int) The PD code value of f or h, whichever we travel from

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        toward the other.
    addends -- (list) Integer values to add to y.
    maximum -- (int) The maximum PD code value in the knot after dragging
        a crossing.
    """
    y_vals = [alter_if_greater(y+addend, maximum, 0, maximum) for addend in addends]
    return y_vals

def create_knot_from_pd_code(pd_code, name = None, bridges = None):
    """
    Create a Knot object using a provided PD code.

    Arguments:
    pd_code -- (list) the PD notation of a knot expressed as a list of lists
    name -- (str) a string to identify the knot
    bridges -- (list) Each element is a list of PD code values for the
        ends of each bridge
    """
    return Knot([Crossing(crossing) for crossing in pd_code], name, bridges)

def diff(first, second):
    """
    Compute the difference of two lists.

    Arguments:
    first -- (list) The list to prune
    second -- (list) The elements to remove from "first" (if they exist)
    """
    second = set(second)
    return [item for item in first if item not in second]

def get_y_addends(a, h, y):
    """
    Get the addends for y to alter the bridge tuple for a drag.

    Arguments:
    a -- (int) PD code of the 1st element in the tuple being dragged.
    h -- (int) PD code of the 4th element in the bridge tuple.
    y -- (int) PD code of the 2nd or 4th element in the bridge tuple that is
        traveled from toward the other.
    """

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"""
if a < y:
    addends = [3,4]
elif a > y:
    addends = [1,2]
addends.sort(reverse = bool(y == h))
return addends

def next_adjacent_segment(current_segment, next_segment_addend, max_pd_code_value):
    """
    Given a direction of travel, return the PD code segment of the section
    adjacent to current_segment.

    Arguments:
    current_segment -- (int) The PD code value of the current segment
    next_segment_addend -- (int) 1 or -1, depending on the direction of travel
    max_pd_code_value -- (int) The maximum PD code value for the knot diagram.
    """
    next_segment = alter_if_greater(current_segment, 0, next_segment_addend,
        max_pd_code_value)
    if next_segment == 0:
        next_segment = max_pd_code_value
    return next_segment
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C.3 analyze_output.py

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#!/usr/bin/env python2.7

import csv, getopt, numpy, os, sys

def write_analysis_output(argv):
    """
    Return the minimum bridge index returned by bridge_computation.py.
    """
    input_source = ''
    output_dir = 'analyzed_output'
    numeral_places = 4
    help_message = ' '.join(['bridge_computation.py -i <input_source>',
                              '-o <output_dir> -p <numeral_places>'])
    try:
        opts, args = getopt.getopt(argv, "hi:o:p:",
                                   ["input_source=", "output_dir", "numeral_places",])
    except getopt.GetoptError:
        error_message = ' '.join(['There was an error getting the arguments.',
                                   help_message])
        print error_message
        sys.exit(2)
    for opt, arg in opts:
        if opt == '-h':
            print help_message
            sys.exit()
        elif opt in ("-i", "--input_source"):
            input_source = arg
        elif opt in ("-o", "--output_dir"):
            output_dir = arg
        elif opt in ("-p", "--numeral_places"):
            numeral_places = int(arg)
    # Create a file for output.
    if not os.path.exists(output_dir):
        os.makedirs(output_dir)

    outfile_path = output_dir + '/minimum_computed_bridge_indices.csv'
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with open(outfile_path, "w") as outfile:
    outputwriter = csv.writer(outfile, delimiter=',')
    outputwriter.writerow(['knot', 'minimum_computed_bridge_index'])

if os.path.isdir(input_source):
    # Traverse the directory to process all csv files.
    for root, dirs, files in os.walk(input_source):
        for file in files:
            if file.endswith(".csv"):
                find_minimum_computed_bridge_index(os.path.join(root, file),
                                                    outfile_path, numeral_places)
elif os.path.isfile(input_source):
    find_minimum_computed_bridge_index(input_source, outfile_path,
                                       numeral_places)
else:
    input_message = ' '.join([
        'The specified input is not a file or a directory.',
        'Please try a different input.'])
    print input_message
    logging.warning(input_message)

def find_minimum_computed_bridge_index(csv_file, outfile_path, numeral_places):
    computed_bridge_indexes = numpy.loadtxt(fname=csv_file, skiprows=1,
                                             usecols=(1,), delimiter=',', dtype=int)
    min_computed_bridge_index = min(computed_bridge_indexes)
    # Format the name for better sorting.
    root, ext = os.path.splitext(os.path.basename(csv_file))
    knot_name = root[:-7]
    num_crossings, number = knot_name.split('_')
    number = number.zfill(numeral_places)
    knot_name = num_crossings + '_' + number

    with open(outfile_path, "a") as outfile:
        outputwriter = csv.writer(outfile, delimiter=',')
        outputwriter.writerow([knot_name, min_computed_bridge_index])

if __name__ == "__main__":
    write_analysis_output(sys.argv[1:])

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