

Correctness, proof completeness, novelty, and source audit

Bijectivity of a generalized Pak-Stanley labeling

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SUMMARY

01	Statements	Contains wrong statements
02	Proofs	Contains incorrect or incomplete proofs
03	Novelty	No non-novelty findings
04	Sources	Contains incorrect or incomplete source use

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01 / STATEMENTS

Statements

Contains wrong statements

The right-inverse theorem and the sufficient bijectivity theorem for (m, ε) -arrangements are correct after the verified local repairs. Theorem 5.1 is false in its stated positive- n scope: for $n = 2$ and $S_{1,2} = \{2, 7\}$, the arrangement is transitive and its three regions are bijectively labeled, but it is not an (m, ε) -arrangement. The exhaustive $n = 3$ tests still support a possible corrected classification in a narrower scope, although the general converse sketches remain incomplete. Several foundational definitions and the $m = 0$ queue boundary also require explicit repairs.

Definitions 2.1–2.2: The parking-function domain and the off-diagonal arc set must be stated

PDF page 4 · Definitions 2.1–2.2 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Unsupported as written · verified repair

Definition 2.2 calls $p = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ only a sequence. With no requirement that its entries be nonnegative integers, every sufficiently negative integer or real vector satisfies the displayed upper inequalities, while the algorithm of Section 3 can start with neither a zero nor an open-list entry and return an incomplete word. The intended and verified repair is $p \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$. Definition 2.1 also quantifies over all $i, j \in [n]$, although $S_{i,i}^+$ is never defined; replacing this by $i \neq j$ gives the intended loop-free directed multigraph. Under these repairs, the sink arc makes each parking-function coordinate finite and the Section 3 algorithm has the required domain.

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Definitions 1.3 and 2.7–2.8: Index and empty-set conventions are missing from the main scope

PDF pages 3 and 5–6 · Definition 1.3, Definition 2.7, Definition 2.8, and the setup of Section 3 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Ill-defined as written · verified conventions

Definition 2.7 quantifies i, j, s, t but uses an unbound index k ; Definitions 2.7, 4.3, and 4.5 also range into diagonal symbols $S_{i,i}^+$ that the notation never defines. Bernardi's imported definition uses distinct indices, and restricting the displayed conditions to the pairwise-distinct indices actually occurring in their S^+ terms is the verified repair. In addition, $m = \max \bigcup S_{i,j}^+$ is undefined for the empty arrangement, although every tuple of finite sets is allowed. Taking this maximum to be zero and declaring $[a; b] = \emptyset$ for $b < a$ makes Definition 1.3 represent the empty boundary with $m_k = 0$ and all relevant $\varepsilon_{i,k} = 1$. It does not by itself repair Section 3: when $m = 0$, Case 1 must append k to the open list only if $m > 0$, or Case 2 emits a nonexistent letter $\alpha_k^{(1)}$. A local-maximality clause with no qualifying adjacency must likewise be read vacuously.

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Theorem 3.2: The right-inverse identity survives the definition repairs

PDF pages 6–8 · Lemmas 3.1 and 3.5 and Theorem 3.2 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Correct after verified local repairs

For a nonnegative directed-graph parking function, the zero/queue procedure cannot terminate with a positive coordinate: applying the parking inequality to the remaining positive index set gives the contradiction printed in Lemma 3.1. First-in-first-out processing preserves the sketch order, and the coordinate invariant in Lemma 3.5 counts exactly the source letters preceding each zero-letter. Evaluating that invariant when the zero-letter is emitted proves the right-inverse identity coordinate by coordinate. Two boundary repairs are necessary: the printed terminal value $-m$ must be $-(m+1)$, and Case 1 must enqueue k after $\alpha_k^{(0)}$ only when $m > 0$. Without the latter repair, the empty $n = 2, m = 0$ case with $p = (0, 0)$ emits a nonexistent level-one letter. With both repairs, exhaustive checks covered 742,656 parking-function inputs across all 33,280 three-index arrangements with $m = 1$ or $m = 2$, and a dedicated $m = 0$ regression check, with no failure.

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Theorem 4.1: The sufficient bijectivity theorem uses only the sound half of Lemma 4.4

PDF pages 8–11 · Theorem 4.1, Lemmas 4.2 and 4.6, and the forward half of Lemma 4.4 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Correct after verified local repairs

An (m, ε) -arrangement directly satisfies Properties X and Y. The proof of Theorem 4.1 then uses Y only in the sound direction $Y \implies M_S = L_S$, uses Lemma 4.6 to obtain $N_S = M_S$ from X, and invokes Bernardi’s surjection through Lemma 4.2. It does not use the ellipsis-based converse $M_S = L_S \implies Y$. After the off-diagonal index and empty-interval conventions are inserted and the Section 3 algorithm queues a zero-level index only when $m > 0$, each required implication is verified and the explicit inverse is the repaired Section 3 right inverse.

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Theorem 5.1: The transitive classification is false in the stated positive-n scope

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Wrong as stated · explicit $n=2$ counterexample

Let $n = 2$ and $S_{1,2} = \{2, 7\}$, so $S_{1,2}^+ = \{2, 7\}$ and $S_{2,1}^+ = \emptyset$. Bernardi transitivity is vacuous because it quantifies pairwise-distinct triples. The arrangement consists of two parallel hyperplanes and has three regions. Its graph has two arcs $1 \rightarrow 2$ and one sink arc from each vertex, hence $\text{Park}_S = \{(0, 0), (1, 0), (2, 0)\}$; direct evaluation of λ gives exactly these three distinct labels, so condition (a) holds. After the necessary distinct-index repair, Properties X and Y are also vacuous, so (c) holds. But an (m, ε) -arrangement would require $S_{1,2}^+ = [1; m_2 - \varepsilon_{1,2}]$, an initial interval, which $\{2, 7\}$ is not. Thus (a) and (c) do not imply (d), disproving Theorem 5.1 in its stated scope. Exhaustive enumeration still found the claimed equivalences for all 512 arrangements with $n = 3, m = 1$ and all 32,768 with $n = 3, m = 2$, but restricting to $n \geq 3$ would only remove this counterexample; the incomplete converse sketches in Lemmas 4.4 and 5.3 would still need a general proof.

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02 / PROOFS

Proofs

Contains incorrect or incomplete proofs

The Section 3 algorithm has a repairable off-by-one assertion and an $m = 0$ queue error. The final reconstruction of the (m, ε) parameters has an unbound witness and boundary error and, more decisively, cannot prove the false $n = 2$ scope of Theorem 5.1. The converse sketch constructions in Lemmas 4.4 and 5.3 also omit the general extension and adjacency checks on which their contradictions depend; one displayed membership claim in Lemma 5.3 is false at shift zero. Finite exhaustive checks support the repaired claims at $n = 3$, but do not repair the theorem's stated scope or replace the missing arbitrary-size proof.

Lemma 3.1: The terminal queue coordinate is off by one

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Incorrect as written · verified repair

An index is decremented from zero to -1 when its zero-letter is emitted, and once more after each of its m positive-level letters. Its terminal value is therefore $-(m + 1)$, not $-m$ as printed; Figure 4 itself ends at -2 when $m = 1$. Replacing $-m$ by $-(m + 1)$ makes the ensuing conclusion exact: every letter at levels $0, 1, \dots, m$ appears once. There is a separate $m = 0$ control-flow defect: Case 1 unconditionally appends the index to the open list, so Case 2 later emits $\alpha_k^{(1)}$ even though a $(0, n)$ -sketch has only zero-level letters. Appending only when $m > 0$ repairs this boundary. The contradiction for the remaining positive set and the local-maximality check are then valid.

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Lemma 4.4: The two converse witnesses are specified only by ellipses

PDF page 9 · converse half of Lemma 4.4, Cases 1 and 2 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Incomplete as written · unresolved in full generality

Failure of Property Y is answered by displaying fragments such as a descending zero-letter block followed later by two prescribed adjacencies. In Case 2, the stated block before $\alpha_k^{(0)}$ includes every $\alpha_p^{(0)}$ with $p > k$ and $p \neq j$; because the case assumes $i > k$, this already includes $\alpha_i^{(0)}$, which the displayed word then writes a second time. The local repair is to exclude both $p = i$ and $p = j$ from that first block. Even after this correction, the proof does not define the omitted letters, verify all three sketch axioms, or check every zero-letter adjacency required for membership in L_S . Those points are essential: an arbitrary word containing the fragment need not be a sketch. Exhaustive construction over every $(1, 3)$ - and $(2, 3)$ -sketch confirms the equivalence $Y \iff M_S = L_S$, and generic prefixes of the advertised kind had unique completions for $n = 3, 4$ and $m = 2$. This is strong support, but no general completion argument is supplied in version 1, so the converse remains unresolved as printed.

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Lemma 4.6: The injectivity induction is valid after the distinct-index convention

PDF pages 9–10 · proof of Lemma 4.6 and equation (1) · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Correct after verified index repair

At the first differing position, two positive-level letters would force contradictory orders on their predecessors. Thus one word emits a zero-letter while the other delays it. Equality of the corresponding label coordinate excludes every contributing letter in the intervening segment, and Property X propagates the zero-level ordering backward through that segment to a contradiction. When the propagated index equals the fixed index, the needed alternative is immediate rather than an application of Property X. Restricting all S^+ symbols to unequal indices makes this implicit equality case and the displayed induction well-defined.

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Lemma 5.3: The positive-shift witness contains a false membership claim and unproved completions

PDF pages 12–13 · second case in the proof of Lemma 5.3 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Incorrect and incomplete · local repairs verified, general construction unresolved

From Property Y the proof claims $s - 1 \in S_{\ell,k}^+$ for every $\ell \neq j$. This is false when $s = 1$ and $\ell < k$: zero is represented by the baseline clause in Triple_S , not by membership in $S_{\ell,k}^+$. The exact repair is the weaker statement $(\ell, k, s - 1) \in \text{Triple}_S$: for positive $s - 1$ it follows from Y; at zero it follows either from the baseline order $\ell < k$ or, when $\ell > k$, from Y. Also, $n^* = \max([n] \setminus \{i, j, k\})$ is undefined for $n = 3$ and the corresponding block must be declared empty. These repairs justify the advertised boundary adjacencies. The proof still does not spell out the omitted suffixes, verify every local-maximality condition, or derive all equal label coordinates for arbitrary n, m . The complete $n = 3, m \leq 2$ enumeration found no failure, but the general witness verification remains unresolved.

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Theorem 5.1, (c) implies (d): The parameter reconstruction has local errors and cannot cover $n=2$

PDF page 13 · final three paragraphs of the proof of Theorem 5.1 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Incorrect as written · theorem false at $n=2$

After fixing k , the proof defines the least s through $S_{i,k}^+$ without choosing or quantifying i , and then uses that same free index throughout. A local repair is to choose a witness pair (i, s) with globally minimal admissible s , where $i \neq k$ and either $s > 0$ or $i > k$. In the branch where no set contains the boundary value, the printed choice $m_k = s - 1$ is negative when $s = 0$; the boundary repair is $m_k = s$ and $\varepsilon_{\ell,k} = 1$ for every $\ell \neq k$. The displayed monotonicity sentence is also backwards and should use the contrapositive of X, and $S_{\ell,k}$ is missing a plus sign. These corrections repair the printed local manipulations only where the argument has a third index. They cannot close the stated implication: for $n = 2$ and $S_{1,2} = \{2, 7\}$, X and Y are vacuous while the shift set is not an initial interval. The proof's attempted contradiction after finding a later shift silently needs an index $j \neq i, k$, which does not exist. A valid theorem must first narrow or otherwise amend its scope, and the remaining $n \geq 3$ reconstruction must still be checked together with Lemmas 4.4 and 5.3.

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03 / NOVELTY

Novelty

No non-novelty findings

No non-novelty findings.

04 / SOURCES

Sources

Contains incorrect or incomplete source use

Bernardi's 2018 paper is the only direct proof-critical non-book source. Its Section 8 results have the strength the focal proofs need, but the focal pinpoint for the region/sketch bijection names the wrong proposition, and the exact journal proof contains a defective inverse construction repaired only in arXiv:1604.06554v4. The focal transitivity definition also drops Bernardi's distinct-index quantifier. After those repairs, the inherited branch is mathematically applicable; its deeper proof-critical inputs terminate at Zaslavsky's monograph and Stanley's book.

Bernardi region/sketch correspondence: The focal pinpoint is wrong and the cited journal construction needs the later repair

PDF page 5 · Lemma 2.6 and citation [2, Proposition 8.1] · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Incorrect or incomplete source use · verified repair

Bernardi Proposition 8.1 is not the region/sketch bijection; it maps annotated sketches to labeled $(m+1)$ -ary trees. The region/sketch bijection is established by properties (i)–(iv) immediately before that proposition on journal pages 503–504. Moreover, the version-of-record recipe in property (iv) can create equal consecutive values: for $n=3, m=1$, the valid sketch $\alpha_1^{(0)}\alpha_2^{(0)}\alpha_1^{(1)}\alpha_3^{(0)}\alpha_2^{(1)}\alpha_3^{(1)}$ gives $z_4 = z_5 = 3/2$. Bernardi's arXiv version 4 repairs the recipe by using decreasing increments 2^{-p} for newly initialized coordinates while retaining the version of record's already-correct nonzero branch for later levels. That repair verifies the imported bijection, but the focal citation should point to the preceding properties and disclose the corrected source form.

Verifiable source: Bernardi, corrected arXiv version 4

Bernardi Theorem 8.8 branch: The locally maximal surjection and transitive bijection have the required scope

PDF pages 5–6 and 8–13 · Theorem 2.9 as used in Theorems 3.2, 4.1, and 5.1 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Applicable and sufficient after the Section 8.1 repair

Bernardi Lemmas 8.12–8.13 identify each arrangement region with an equivalence class of Catalan subregions and translate local maximality into the corresponding tree condition. Their proof gives surjectivity for arbitrary S . When S is transitive, Bernardi Theorem 4.6 supplies equal finite cardinalities, so the map is bijective. These are exactly the two assertions quoted in focal Theorem 2.9. The focal paper's use is therefore sound once the earlier region/sketch construction is taken from the corrected arXiv version.

Verifiable source: Bernardi, Advances in Mathematics version of record

Transitivity definition: The focal transcription omits the source’s distinct-index domain

PDF page 5 · Definition 2.7 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Incomplete source transcription · verified repair

Bernardi Definition 4.3 quantifies over distinct indices a, b, c . Focal Definition 2.7 quantifies only i, j and then uses an unbound k ; without distinctness it also calls undefined diagonal sets. Quantifying pairwise distinct i, j, k is both source-faithful and the domain used by the later proofs. The same explicit restriction should be propagated to Properties X and Y whenever their displayed S^+ terms would otherwise be diagonal.

Verifiable source: [Bernardi, Advances in Mathematics version of record](#)

Inherited counting branch: The transitive cardinality input terminates at two published monographs

PDF pages 5–6 and 11–13 · inherited use of Bernardi Theorem 8.8 in Theorem 2.9 and Theorem 5.1 · arXiv:2603.24886v1

Sources complete for the marked branch

Bernardi’s bijectivity upgrade uses Theorem 4.6. Its proof-bearing chain passes through the signed region formula, where Zaslavsky’s characteristic-polynomial evaluation converts the coboundary identity to a region count, and through Claim 7.6, where Stanley’s Chapter 5.3 plane-tree/path encoding and cyclic-conjugation count evaluate the tree factor. Zaslavsky’s Memoirs AMS monograph and Stanley’s Enumerative Combinatorics, Volume 2 are published book terminals, so no further graph recursion is required. Contextual citations in the focal paper, including Mazin–Miller’s alternative graphical proof and the earlier surjectivity result that Section 3 reproves, do not affect the marked claims.

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METHOD

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All mathematical expressions in this report are compiled by LaTeX. The web presentation independently validates and renders the corresponding expressions with KaTeX.

Sources checked

1. Source paper: [arXiv:2603.24886v1](#)
2. Exact arXiv version 1
3. Bernardi, exact version of record
4. Bernardi, corrected arXiv version 4

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