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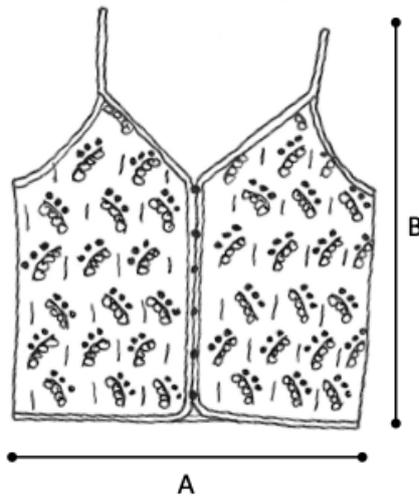
May Be Lily Tank

This top is knitted in lace stitch. The buttonholes are made in crochet once the top is finished.

This top is knitted back and forth from bottom up in one piece, ideally with vegetal fiber for a light & breathable top.

Pattern

Sizes:	XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL)
Finished circumference:	78 (84) 90 (101) 111 (123) cm consider 7cm of negative ease & 2 cm of positive ease
Length:	45 (45) 46,5 (46,5) 48 (48) cm
Gauge:	22 stitches * 28 rows, lace stitch, needles 3.5 mm, after blocking
Needles:	Circular needle size 3.5 mm Crochet hook 3 mm Needle size is only a suggestion! If you have too many stitches on 10cm switch to larger needles. If you have too few stitches on 10cm switch to smaller needles.
Materials:	4(4)4(5)5(5) yarn balls of quattro from Lang yarn (100% cotton, 50g = 120m) or any other equivalent sport yarn 480 (480) 480 (600) 600 (600) m 6 buttons of 11 mm Stitch markers



A (circumference): 78 (84) 90 (101) 111 (123) cm

B : 45 (45) 46.5 (46.5) 48 (48) cm

Overview

The top is knit back and forth, seamlessly from the bottom up. You will start by knitting the body back and forth. You will then separate the body into 3 pieces to create the shoulder straps and the back. The buttonholes are bristles that are made in crochet once the top is finished.

Abbreviations

CO: cast on
BO: bind off
K: Knit
k1b&f : k1 through the back & front loop
P: Purl
st: stitch
Sl: slip purlwise with the yarn in the front
Ssk: slip, slip, knit 2 sts together
sssk: slip, slip, slip, knit 3 sts together
Ssp: slip, slip, purl 2 sts together
sssp: slip, slip, slip, purl 3 sts together
SM: Stitch marker
tog: together
Yo: Yarn over
WS: wrong side
RS: Right side

Bubble stitch tutorial : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AfXt-pVnFnI>

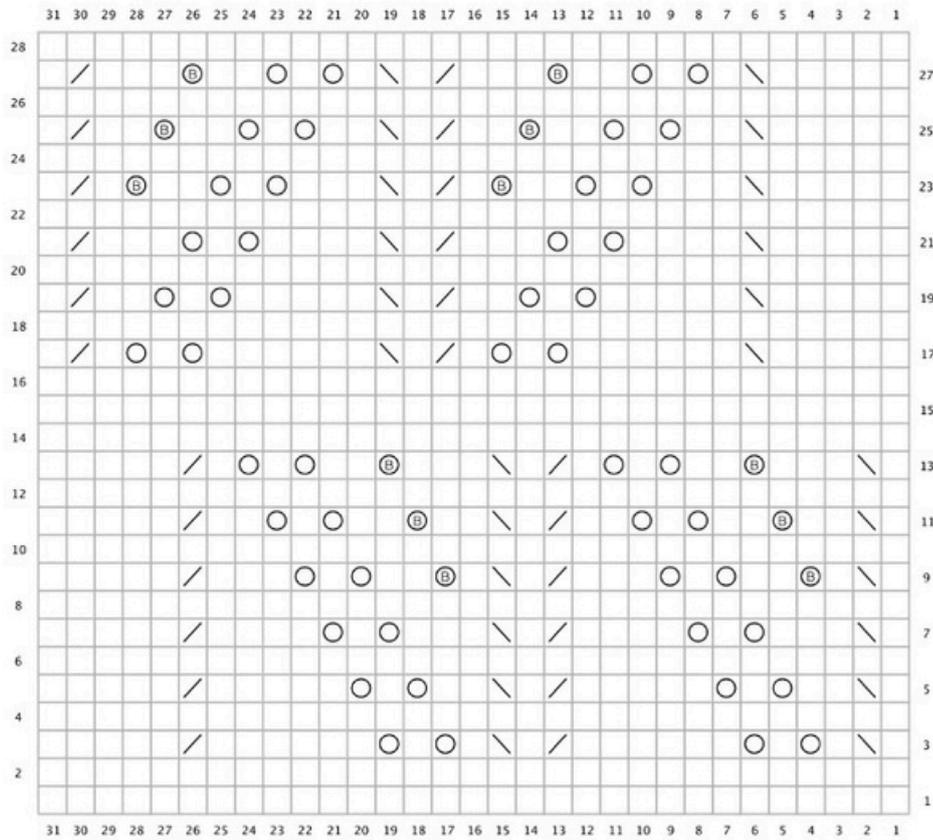
You can also make these bubble stitch with your needle to avoid using a crochet.

Diagram key

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Gauge

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 Knit the following diagram to make your gauge:



Explanations

I-cord cast-on

This step is explained in the video tutorial : <https://youtu.be/3LZpt1YdSSA>

CO 4 sts on the 3.5 mm circular needles with provisional cast on method and work as follow:

Row 1: k4, slip 4 sts from right needle to left needle.

Knit the row 1 a total of 2 times.

You will now CO 174(187)200(226)252(278) sts with an I-cord cast on technique by repeating the following row:

Row 1 (RS): k1b&f, k3, slip 4 sts from right to left needle. (1 increase)

Once you have CO 174(187)200(226)252(278) sts (not including the 4sts on your left needle for the i-cord edge), knit the following row: k4, slip 4 sts from right needle to left needle, k4.

At the beginning, remove the provisional CO and place the 4 sts before the I-cord CO sts.

We have a total of 182(195)208(234)260(286) sts on your needle.

Body

First row is a WS row :

Row 1 (WS) and all WS row : Sl3, p until 3 sts before the end of the row, sl3.

Row 2 (RS): k4, (k1, ssk, (k1, yo) × 2, k6, k2tog) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k9.

Row 4 (RS): k4, (k1, ssk, k2, yo, k1, yo, k5, k2tog) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k9.

Row 6 (RS): k4, (k1, ssk, k3, yo, k1, yo, k4, k2tog) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k9.

Row 8 (RS): k4, (k1, ssk, k1, bobble, k2, yo, k1, yo, k3, k2tog) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k9.

Row 10 (RS): k4, (k1, ssk, k2, bobble, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, k2tog) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k9.

Row 12 (RS): k4, (k1, ssk, k3, bobble, k2, (yo, k1) × 2, k2tog) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k9.

Row 14 (RS): k to the end of the row.

Row 16 (RS): k9, (ssk, k6, (yo, k1) × 2, k2tog, k1) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k4.

Row 18 (RS): k9, (ssk, k5, yo, k1, yo, k2, k2tog, k1) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k4.

Row 20 (RS): k9, (ssk, k4, yo, k1, yo, k3, k2tog, k1) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k4.

Row 22 (RS): k9, (ssk, k3, yo, k1, yo, k2, bobble, k1, k2tog, k1) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k4.

Row 24 (RS): k9, (ssk, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, bobble, k2, k2tog, k1) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k4.

Row 26 (RS): k9, (ssk, (k1, yo) × 2, k2, bobble, k3, k2tog, k1) × 13(14)15(17)19(21), k4.

Row 28 (RS): k to the end of the row.

Knit rows 1 to 28 a total of 2 times. Then knit the rows 1 to 13.

The body is finished. It will measure 25 cm after blocking. (If you wish to have a longer body, you can: knit rows 1 to 28 a total of 3 times, then knit the rows 1 to 13. Then the body will measure 35 cm. Be careful to add at least an extra yarn ball to be able to knit a longer top.)

Separation

The body separation into the back, the left & right shoulders, is worked as follow :

Row 29 (RS): k3, ssk, k 35(35)41(47)53(59), then cast on 4 sts on your left needle do knit an I-cord bind off for the back, *k3, k2tog, sl4 sts of the I-cord from your right needle to your left needle*, repeat from * to * until 40(40)46(52)58(64) sts before the end of the row, k 35(35)41(47)53(59), k2tog, k3.

I-cord bind off tutorial : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GyhgyvEgsBM>

Left shoulder

Start the diagram N°1 at row 2 to knit the left shoulder (in the diagram you will knit : an I-cord edge / a lace part / an I-cord edge).

When you have finished the diagram, knit the shoulder strap as follow:

Row 1 (RS): K5, do not turn work.

Row 2 (RS): Slide the 5 sts to right end of needle. Bring the yarn behind the work tightly, and starting with first st, k5, do not turn work.

Repeat Row 2 until the I-cord measures approx. 23 cm or desired length. Cut your yarn keeping few centimeters to sew the shoulder straps to the I-cord in the back with grafting technique. (To place the shoulder strap in the back, I have tried the top and I have placed the shoulder straps in the back to cover my bra straps.)

Right shoulder

Pick up 4 sts inside the beginning of the I-cord & start the diagram N°2 at row 2 to knit the right shoulder (in the diagram you will knit : an I-cord edge / a lace part / an I-cord edge).

When you have finished the diagram, knit the shoulder strap as follow:

Row 1 (RS): K5, do not turn work.

Row 2 (RS): Slide the 5 sts to right end of needle. Bring the yarn behind the work tightly, and starting with first st, k5, do not turn work.

Repeat Row 2 until cord measures approx. 23 cm or desired length. Cut your yarn keeping few centimeters to sew the shoulder straps to the I-cord in the back with grafting technique. (To place the shoulder strap in the back, I have tried the top and I have placed the shoulder straps in the back to cover my bra straps.)

Buttonholes

The buttonholes are bridles that are made in crochet once the top is finished.

You will make a total of 6 bridles along the right front edge (right when wearing the top). Place 6 stitch markers evenly along the right front edge to mark the placement. The First one, at 2 cm from the bottom. The last one, on the separation of the right and left shoulder.

With the RS facing & 3mm crochet hook, make the first bridles as follow:

Row: crochet a stitch from the I-cord, then make a chain of 4 stitches, close the last stitches of your chain, skip 1 stitch from the I-cord, sew the chain to the I-cord.

Tutorial : <https://youtu.be/7nQBah21LeI>

Once this bridle is made, make sure that your button passes through the bridle (if necessary, you can add or remove 1 single crochet on your chain) then cut and weave in all ends.

Repeat to create 6 bridles.

Sew the button, on the left side to the top.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. Don't forget to block your project so that the lace stitch can reveal all its beauty and achieve its final size. Here a picture of the blocking step, don't hesitate to use pin when blocking it (most important part is the V neck that could be a little tight depending of your tension for the I-cord) :



I hope you enjoyed knitting this top.

I would love to see your finished projects. If you'd like to share your work on IG, please use hashtag #maybelilytank & #macimille and tag me @macimille

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Diagram n°1 – Sizes XS & S

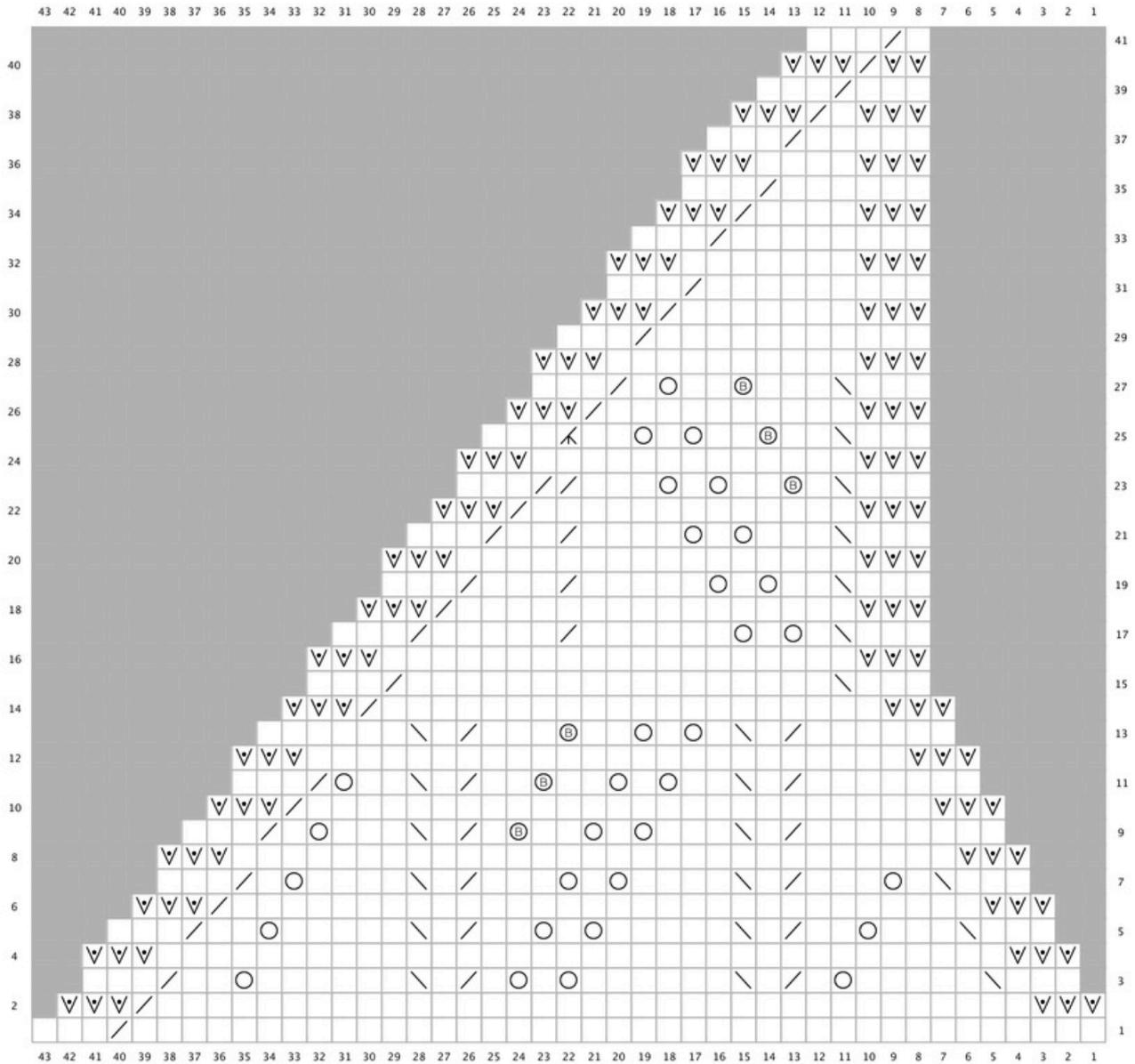


Diagram n°2 – Sizes XS & S

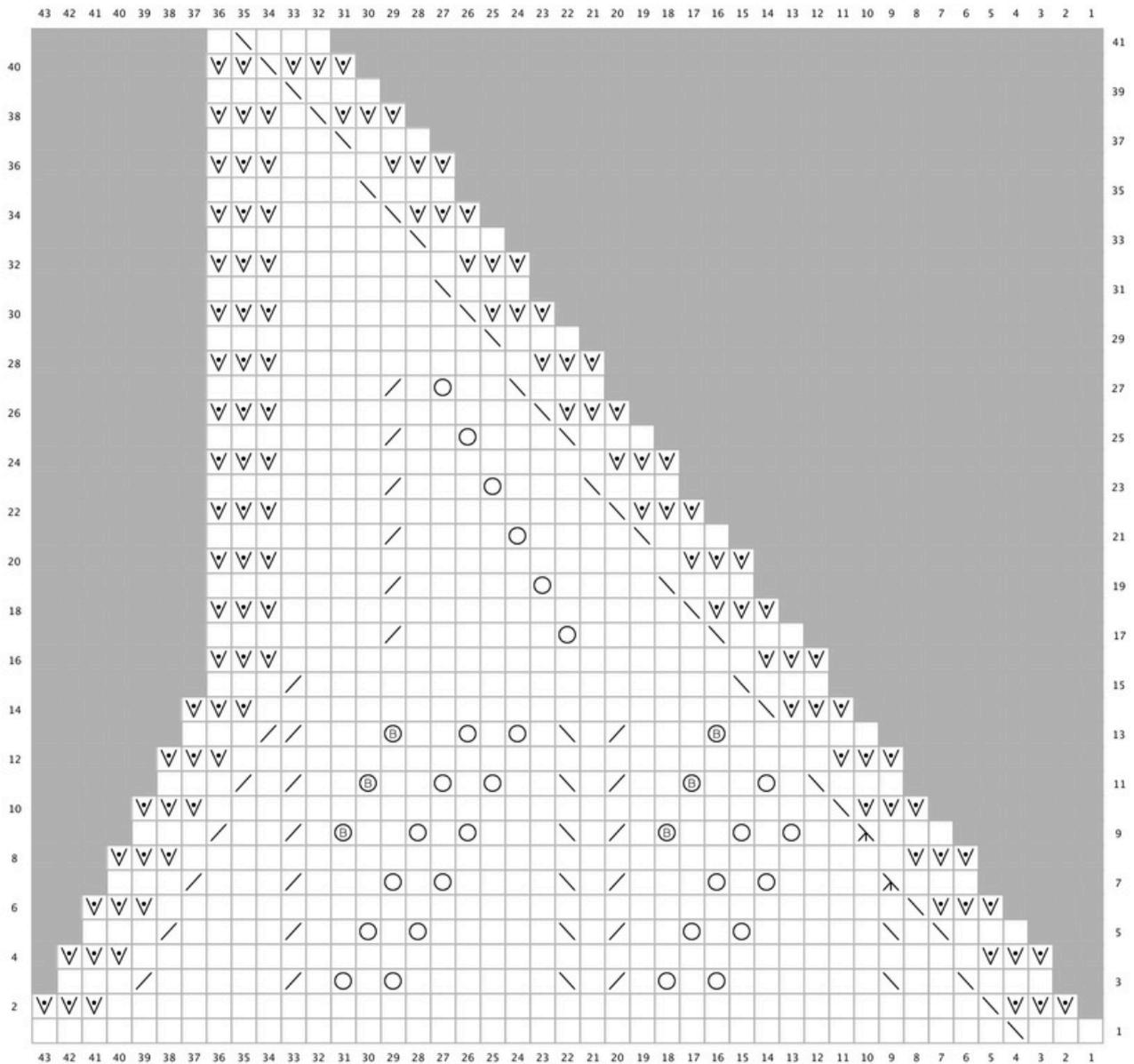


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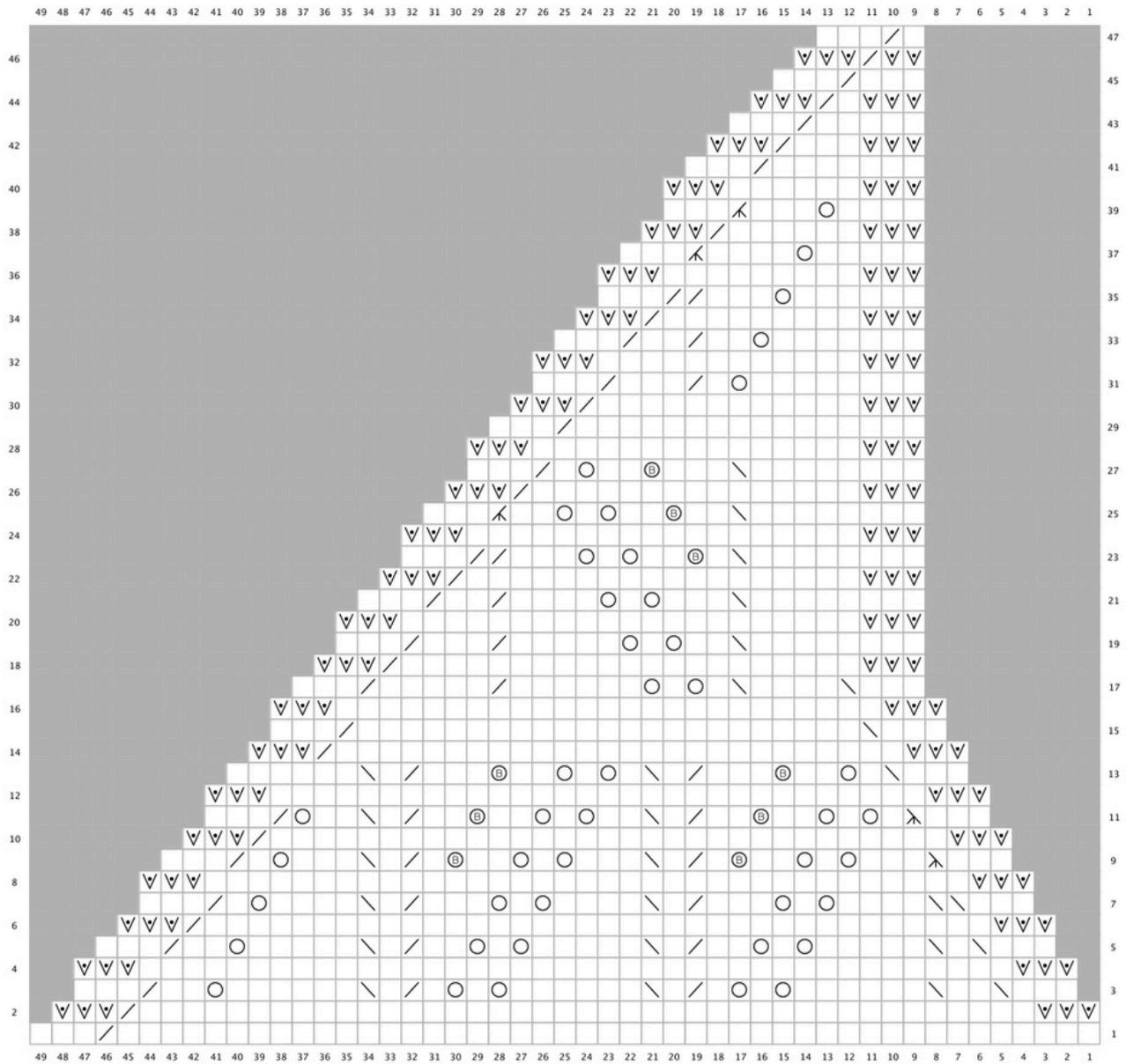


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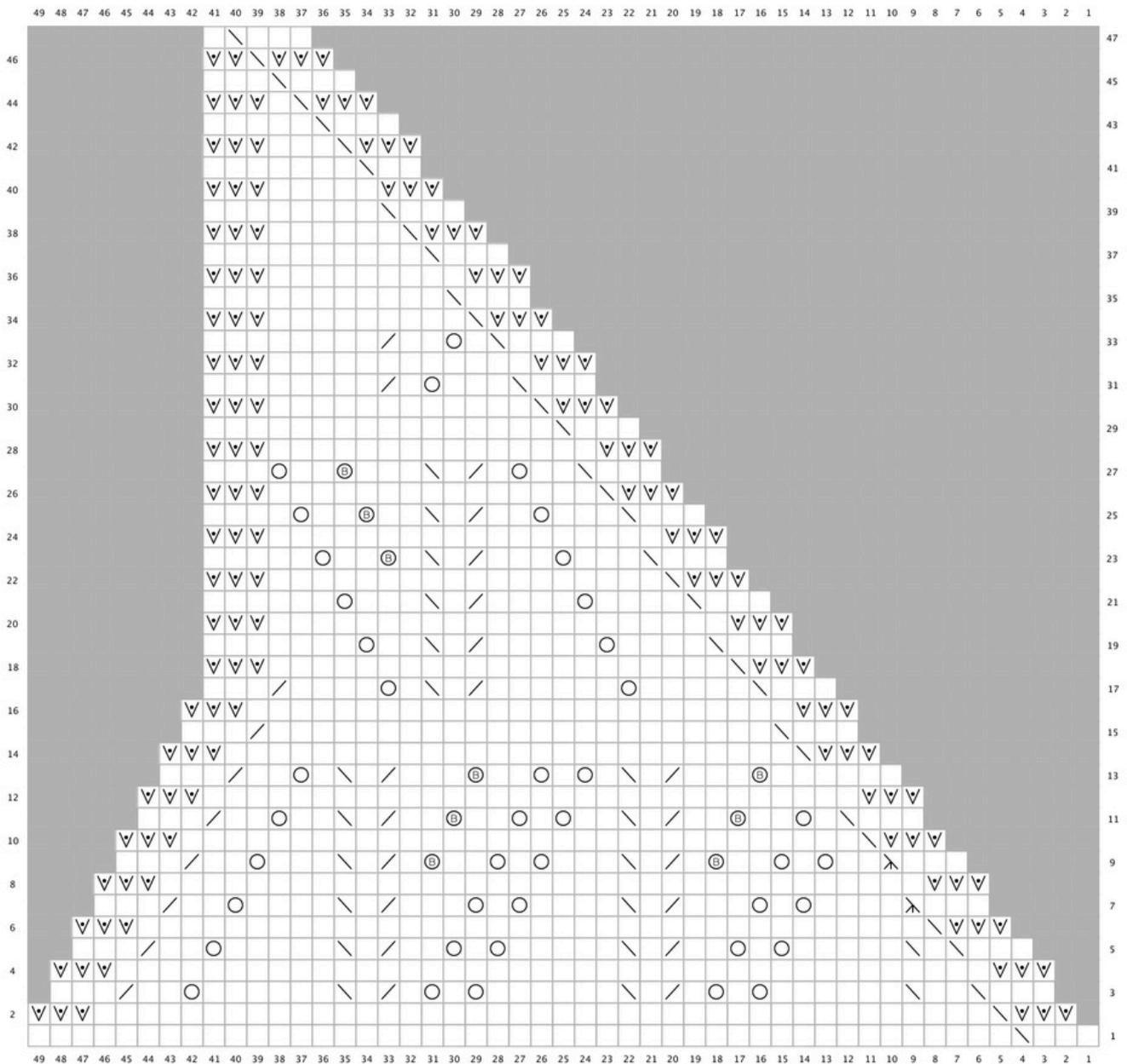


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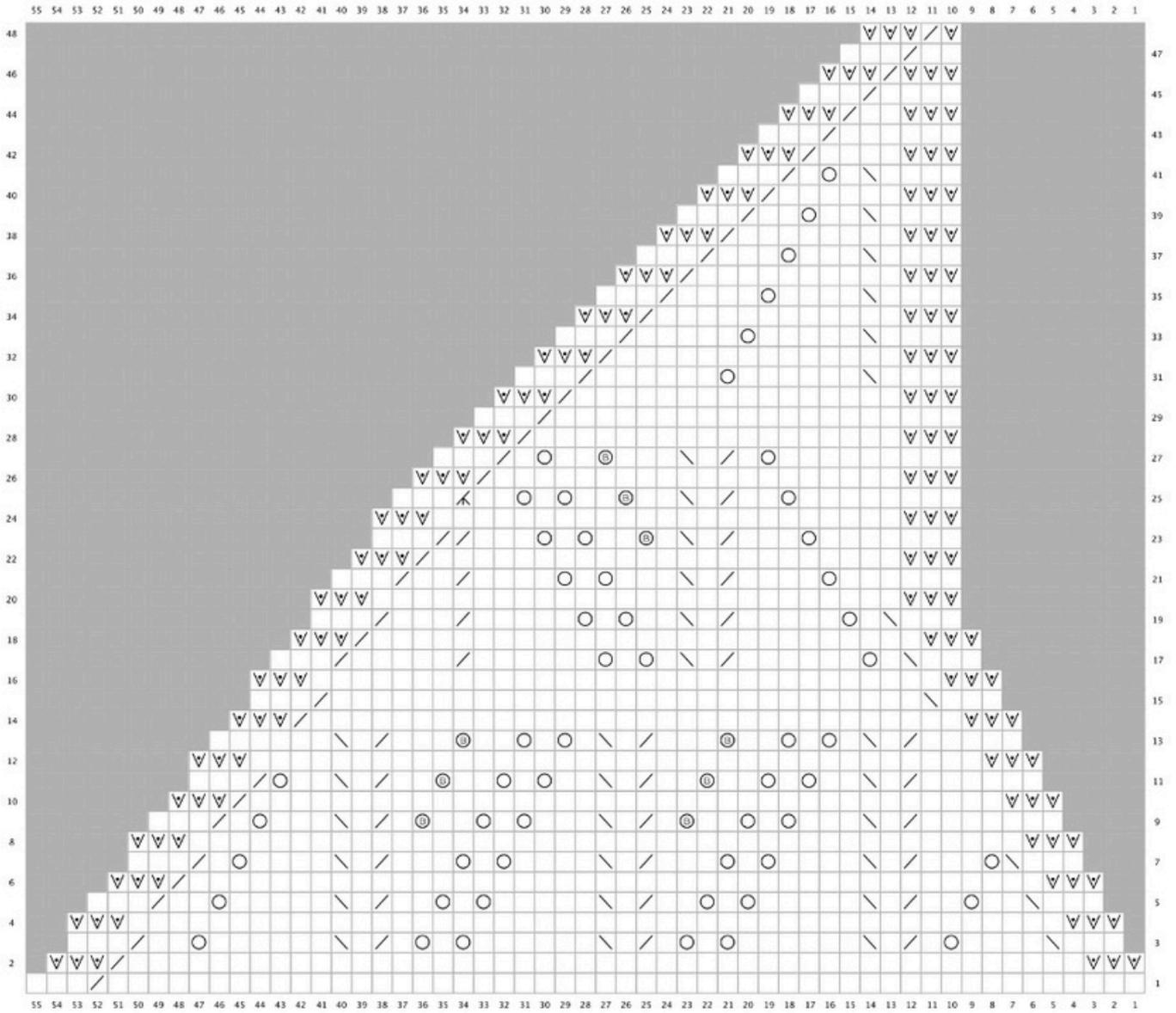


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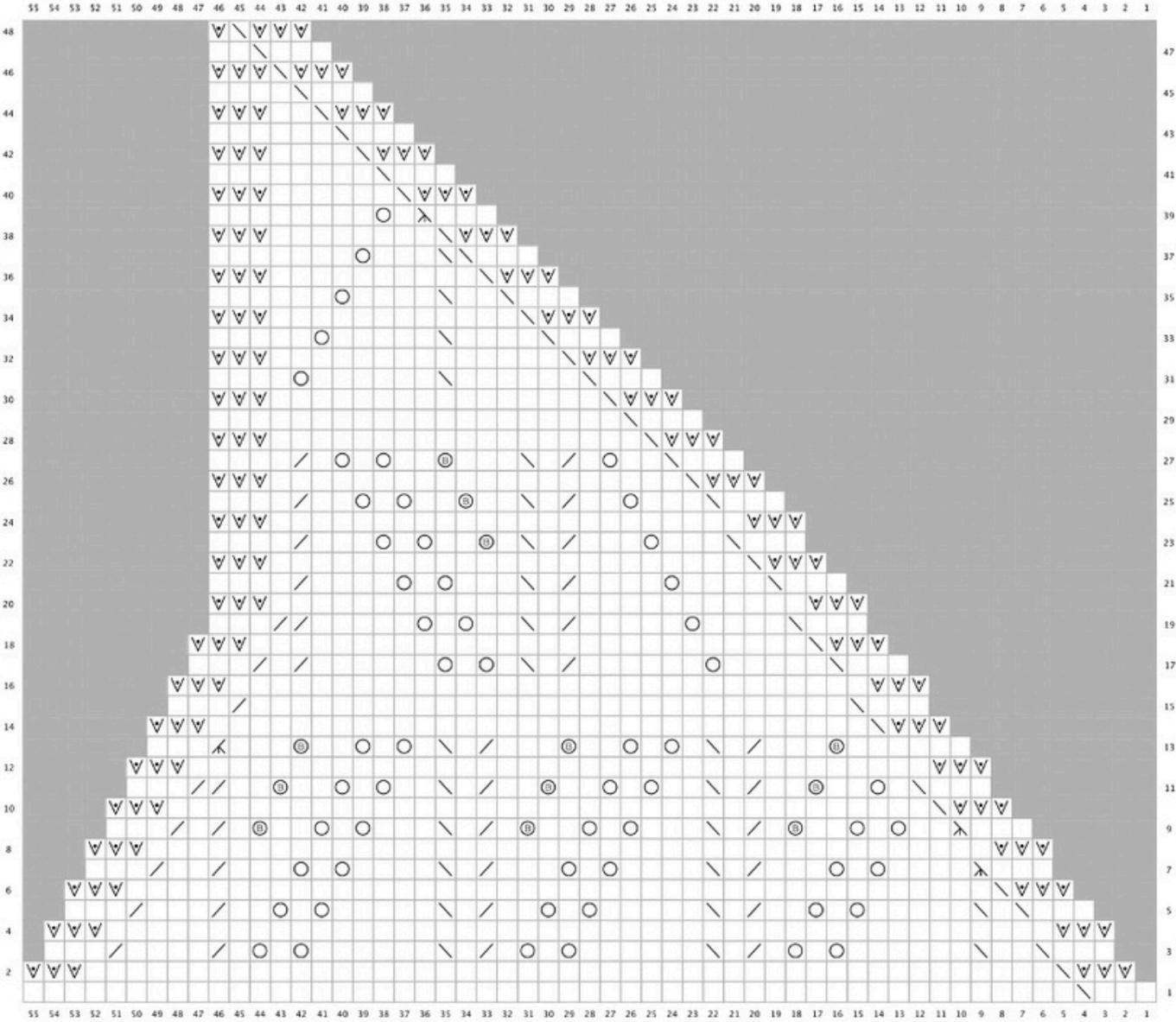


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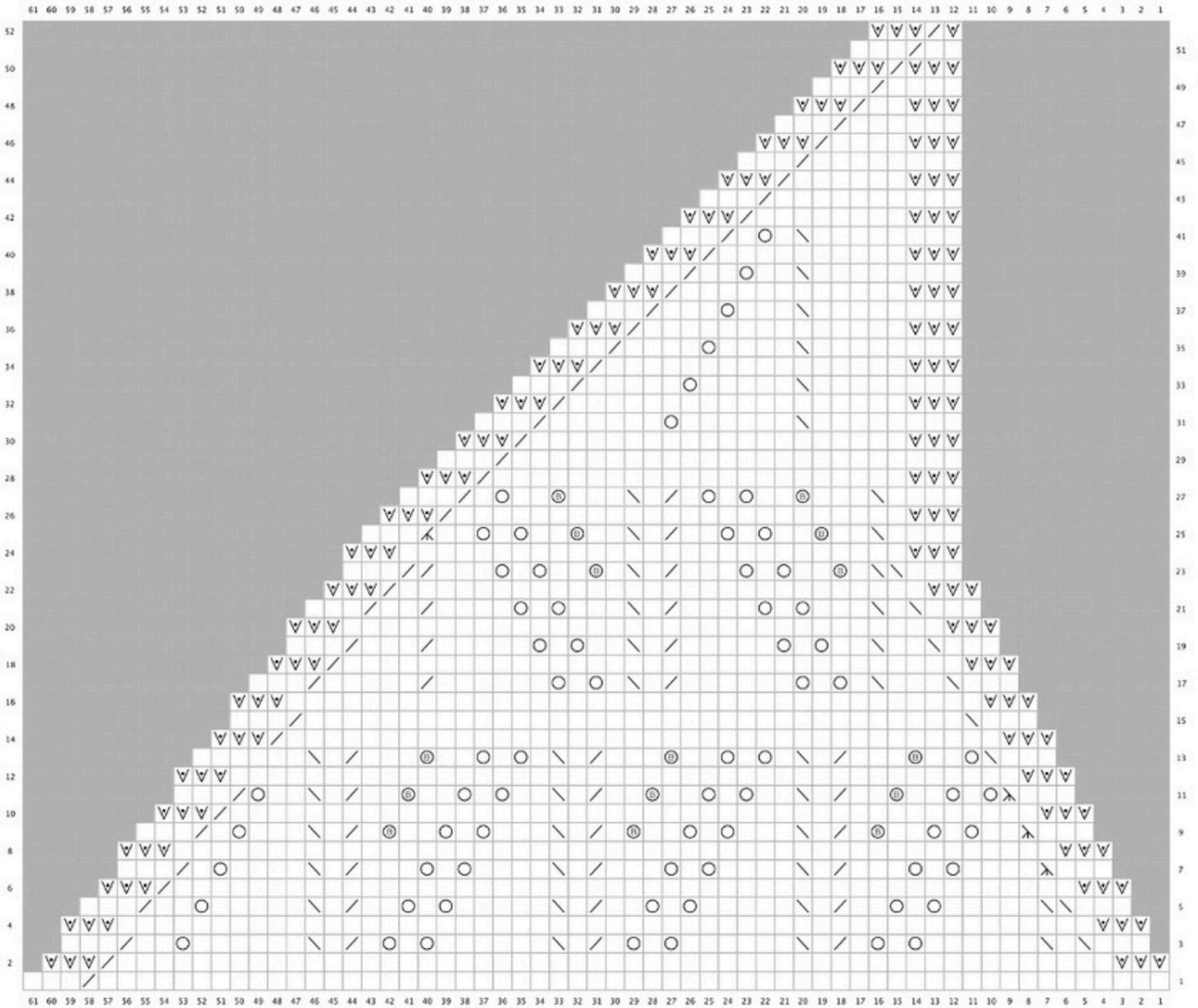


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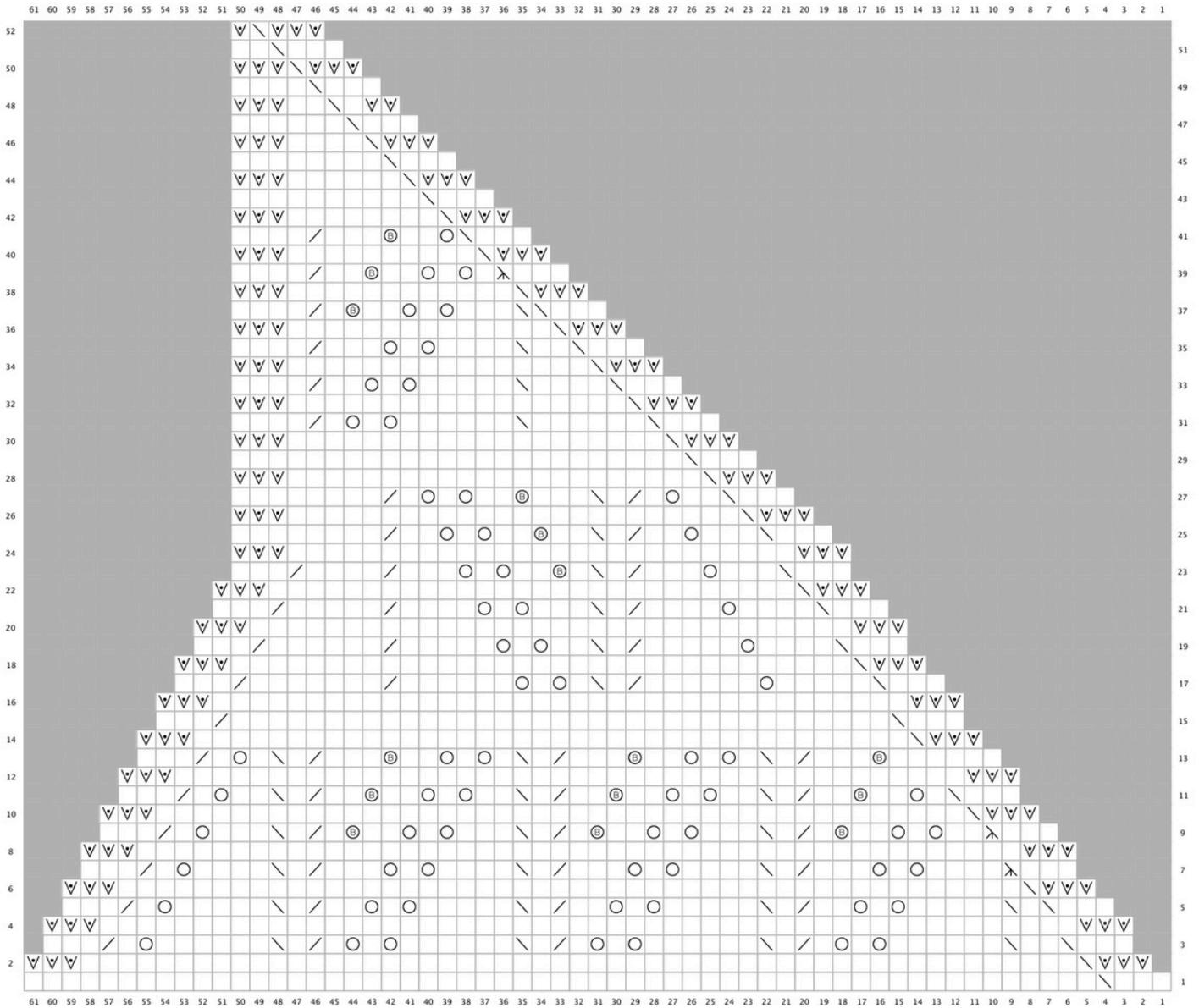


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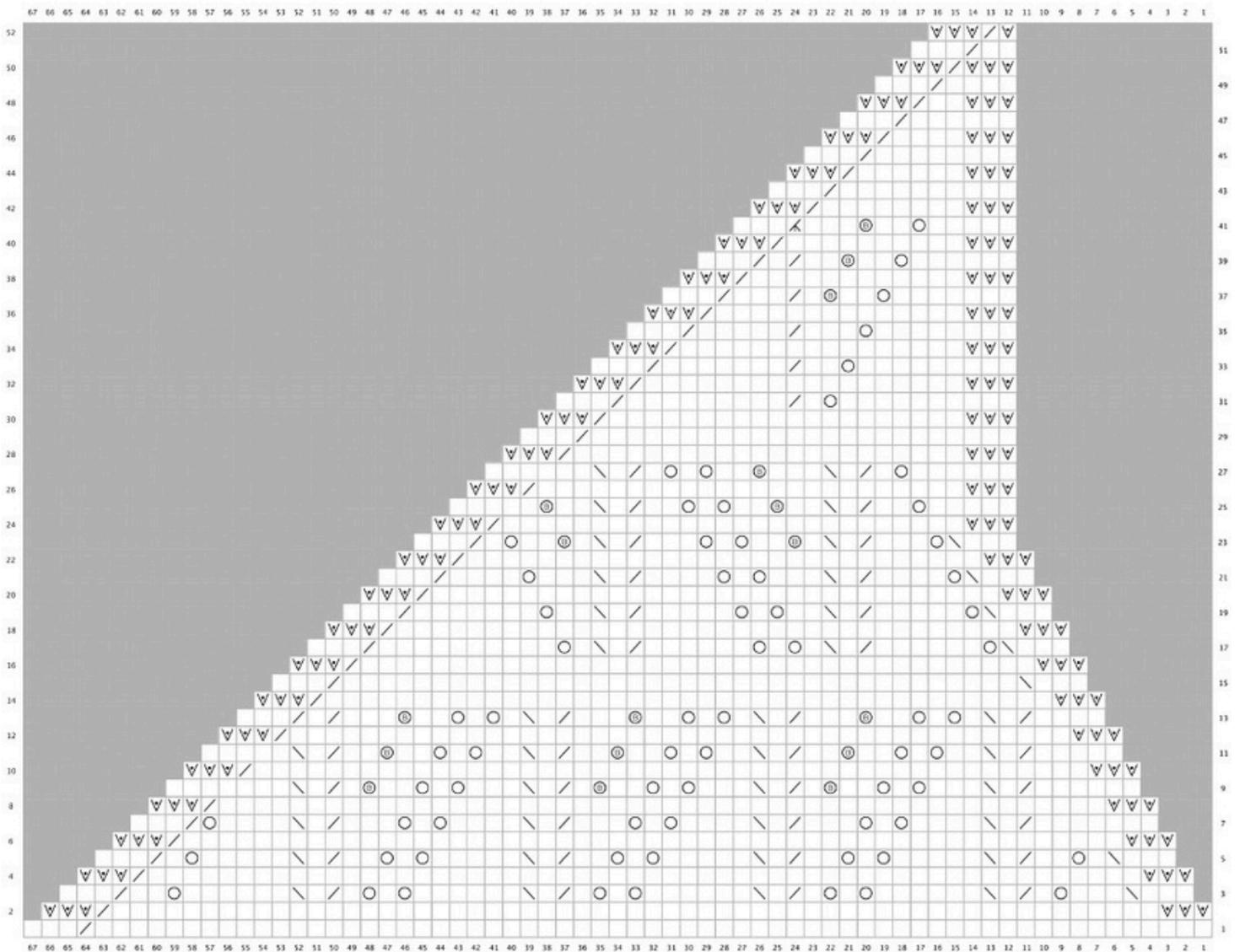


Diagram n°2 – Size 2XL

