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First of all – thank you very much for your interest in the Łąkowa pattern! I'm so happy that you decided to download this pattern and I really hope that it's not our last crochet meeting!

Because preparing the pattern took me some time, I will be very happy if you will tag my Facebook or Instagram, when you will publish photos of a ready work:

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Have fun!



Doily on the photo: Opus Natura MAXIMUM Metallic floss, ca. 220 m

Diameter: ca. 34 cm (crocheted loosely)

Crochet hook: 2 mm

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**Materials:**

- 200–300 m of floss, ombre yarn, or solid color yarn (3 or 4 strands)
- Hoop (for the mandala): 35–50 cm (it's best to choose the hoop at the end of the work)
- Crochet hook: 1.5–2.5 mm for floss, 2.5–3.25 mm for yarn, depending on how you crochet

Comments:

- Start the work with a magic ring or 5 chain stitches closed in a circle with a slip stitch. Then make 3 chain stitches and 15 double crochet stitches as the first row.
- Close each row with a slip stitch.
- Start most of the next rows with a chainless starting double crochet / treble crochet stitch.
- From part II, the diagram presents the pattern s in a shortened way – 1/8 of the diagram is shown.
- Crochet the doily/mandala around, without turning the work.
- Rows marked in grey belong to the previous parts of the pattern.
- The finished doily/mandala should be blocked.
- The finished doily/mandala can be sold in max 10 copies per year, with name of the pattern and designer clearly stated.

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Chainless starting stitches at the beginning of the row

Chainless starting stitches in patterns crocheted around help hide the place where a new row starts, and are made instead of, for example, three chain stitches replacing the first double crochet of the next row. They can be made in various ways, two of which are described below.

Method 1 (shown in the mandala diagram)

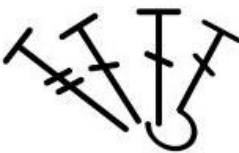
After closing the previous row with a slip stitch, make a chain stitch and pull it out a little on the hook (it shouldn't be tight), then make a front post double crochet / front post treble crochet in the same place – the chain stitch should hide behind the main stitch.

Method 2

After closing the previous row with a slip stitch, make a front post single crochet, then a chain stitch or two (to adjust the height of starting stitch to the height of the next stitches in the row), and then work the next stitches in the row according to the pattern. For a front post treble crochet, make a front post single crochet stitch, then adjust the height with chain stitches.

Used stitches (US terms)

-  - slip stitch
-  - chain stitch
-  - single crochet
-  - front post single crochet
-  - double crochet
-  - front post double crochet
-  - two fpdc in the same stitch, separated with a chain stitch
-  - two fpdc in the same stitch

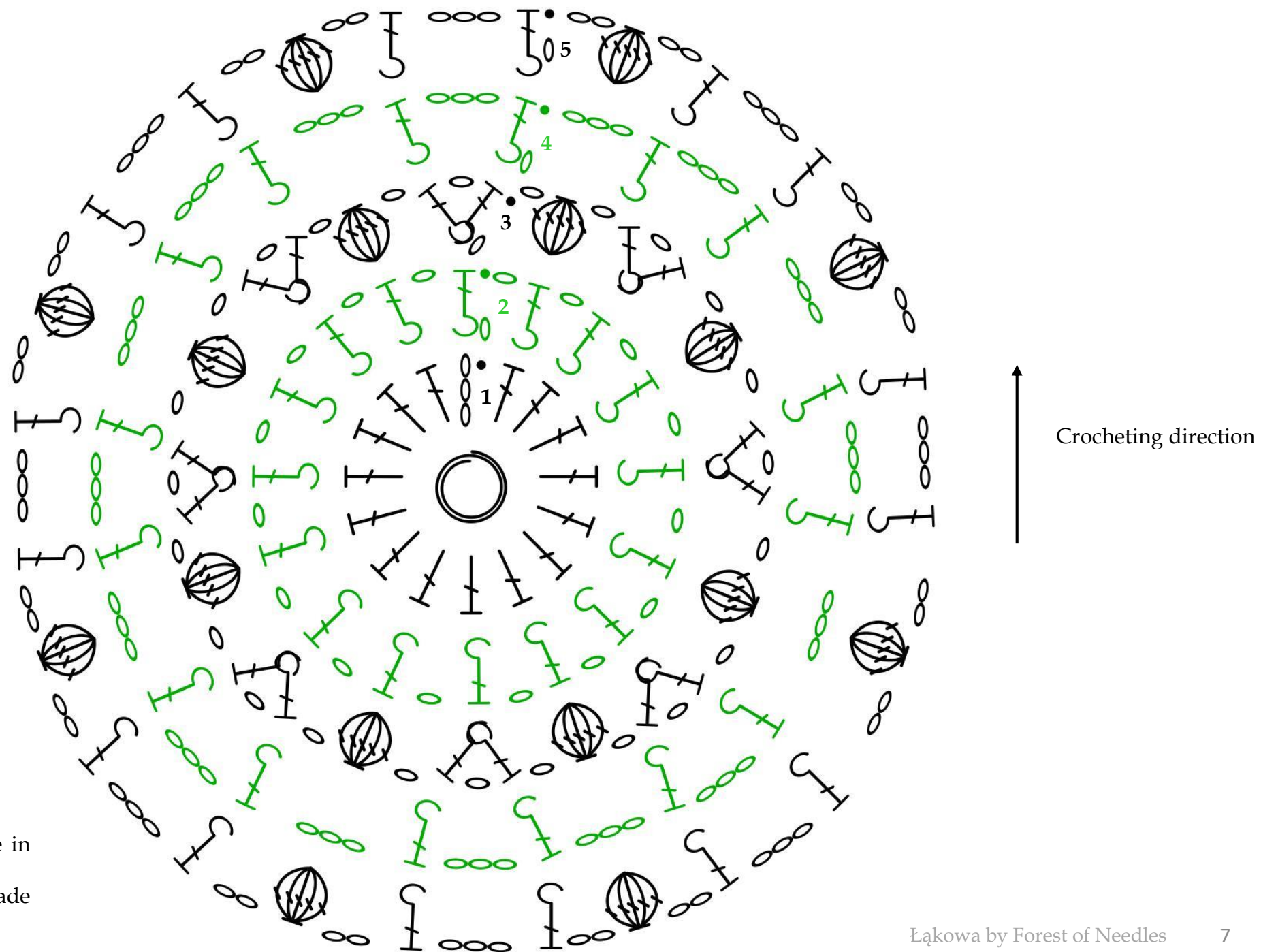
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|  | - two fpdc together |
|  | - tc, two dc and fpdc in the same stitch |
|  | - two fpdc and fptc together |
|  | - fptc and two fpdc in the same stitch |
|  | - front post treble crochet |
|  | - two fptc crossed, separated with a chain stitch |

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- bobble from 4-5 dc stitches

Diagram for those who crochet with right hand

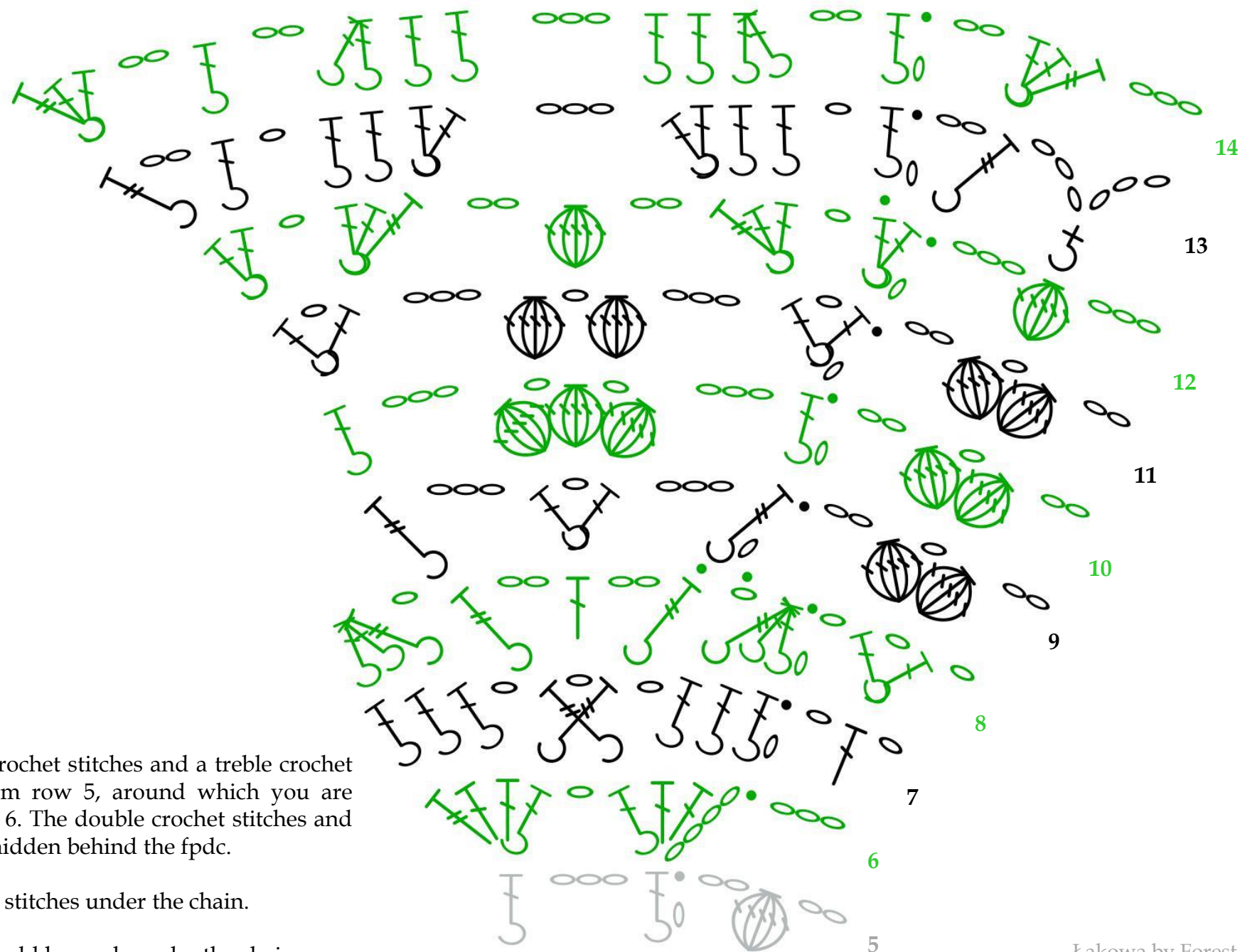


Part I



Row 3 - bobbles should be made in the fpdc from the previous row.
Row 5 - bobbles should be made under the chain.

Part II

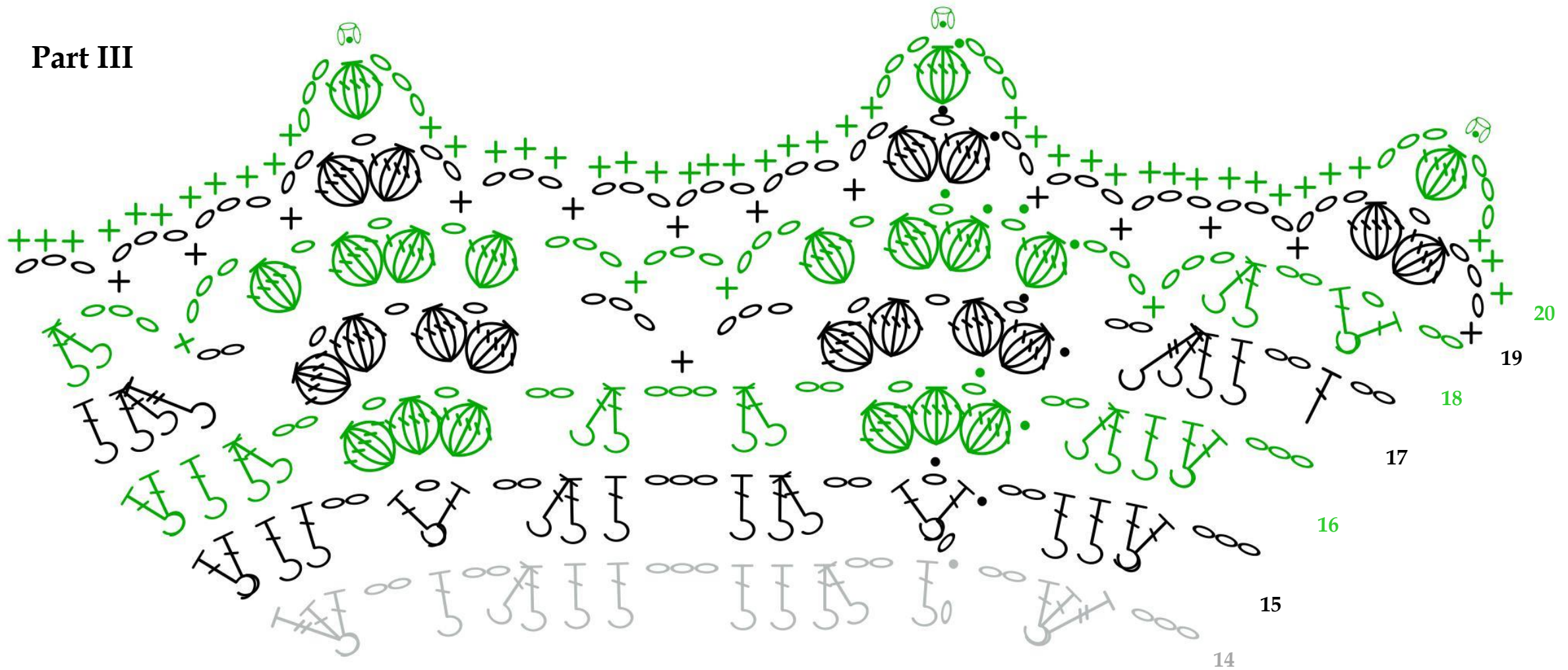


Row 6 - make double crochet stitches and a treble crochet into the same fpdc from row 5, around which you are making the fpdc in row 6. The double crochet stitches and a treble crochet will be hidden behind the fpdc.

Rows 7 and 8 - make dc stitches under the chain.

Rows 9-12 - bobbles should be made under the chain.

Part III



Rows 16–20 – bobbles should be made under the chain. To start a row with a bobble, after closing the previous row and moving with slip stitches to the beginning of a new row, make three chain stitches instead of the first double crochet. Then, work the remaining double crochets from the bobble and close everything together into a bobble.

Row 17 – dc stitches should be made under the chain.

Rows 17–20 – sc stitches should be made under the chain.

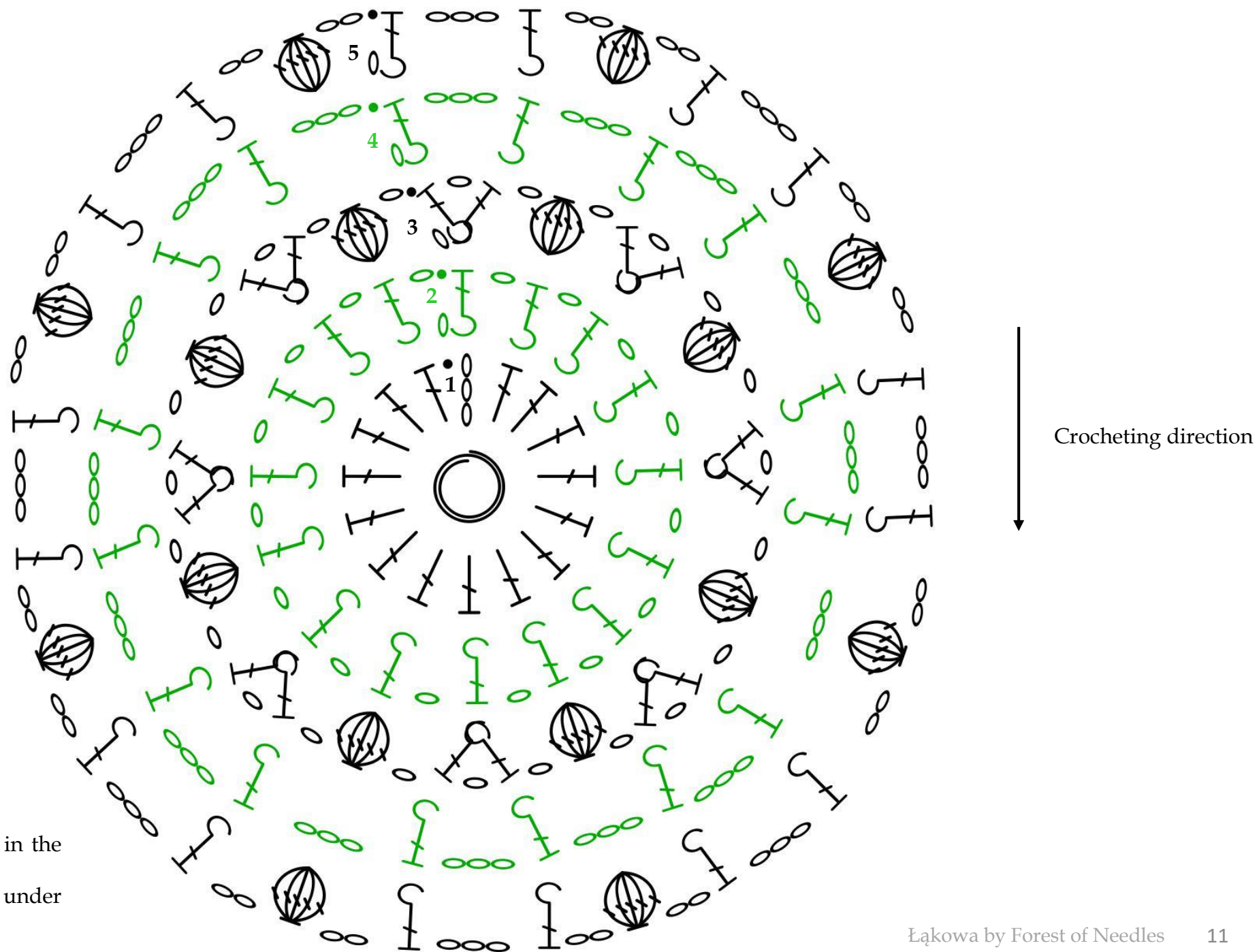
Row 20 – for the doily, make picots on the bobbles. For the mandala, you can make loops of 4–5 chain stitches instead of picots to attach the mandala to the hoop.

The work in part III may begin to wave slightly – you can starch and iron it after finishing your work, or while crocheting in rows 17–19 you can make chains of 2 chain stitches instead of 3 (and, accordingly, in row 20, make 2 single crochet stitches over them).

Diagram for those who crochet with left hand



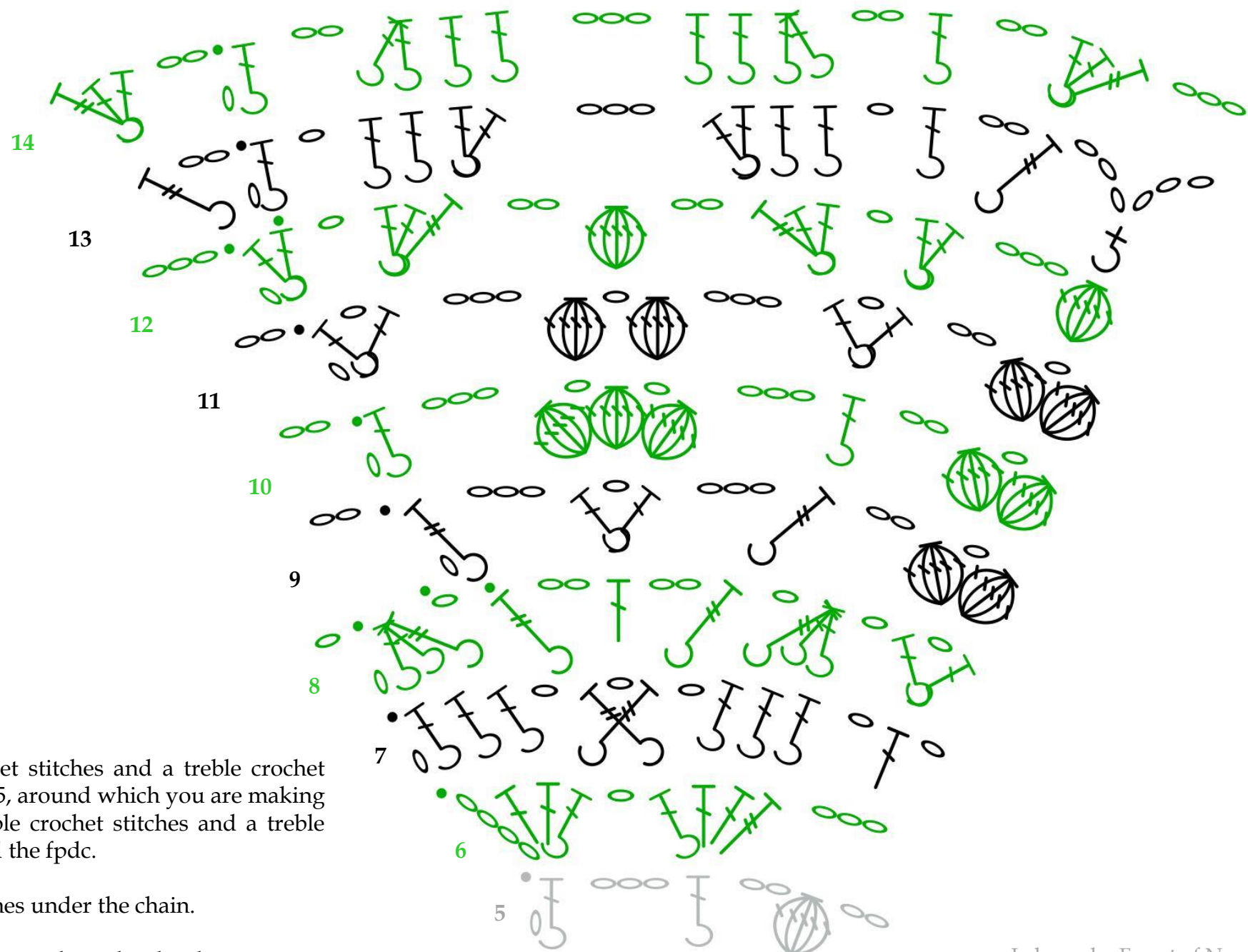
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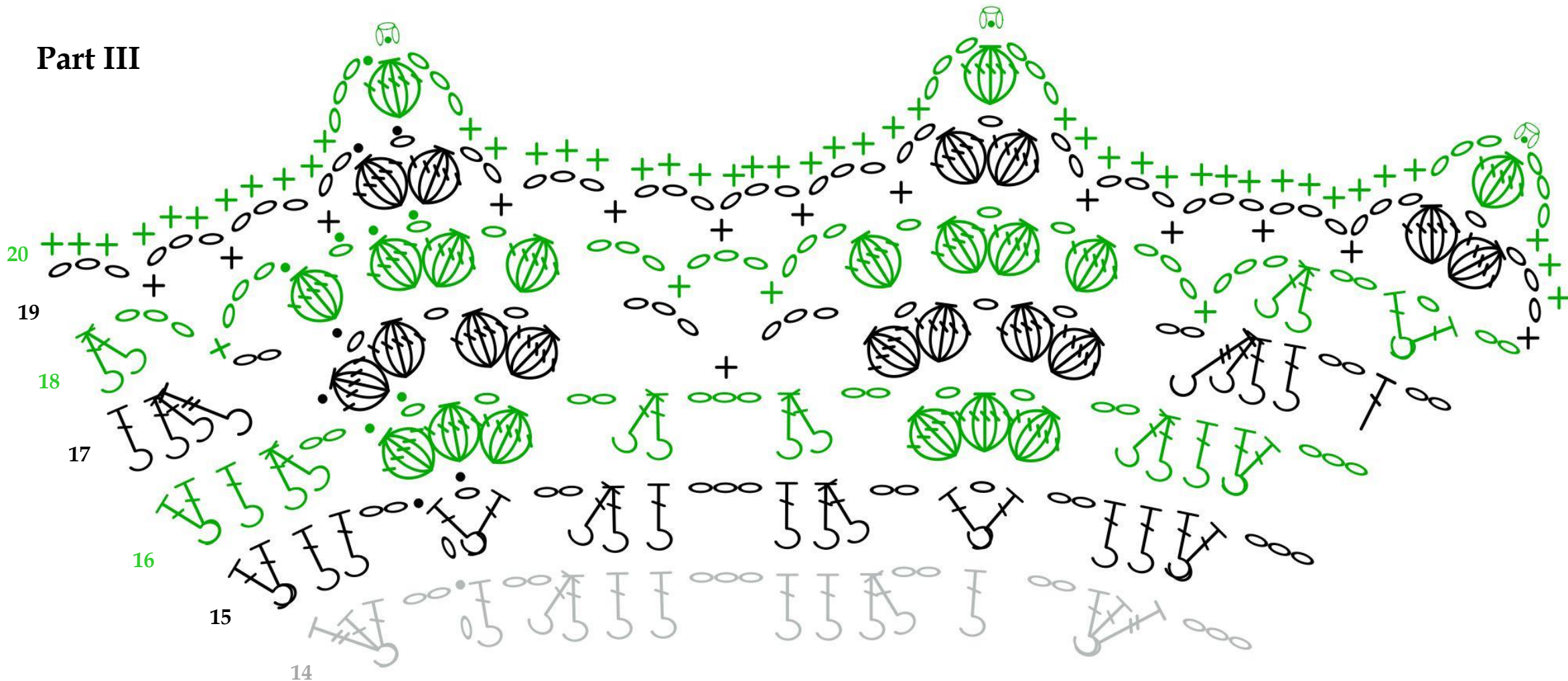


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