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Consider lattice paths in  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  starting at the point (0, 1) that remain strictly above the x-axis, below a line of positive slope in the first quadrant, and whose allowable moves are up-right and down-right. We say that such lattice paths exist within a skewed-top corridor. The number such paths ending at each point within the skewed-top corridor may be arranged into an array. We have found that the diagonal sequences within a dualized version of this array exhibit a predictable pattern in which certain subsequences have degree given by an explicit formula. The formulas for starting/ending points of each subsequence and degree depend only on the parameters of the skewed-top corridor and not the values of the corridor numbers themselves. (Received September 24, 2018)