Tropical Grassmannians and Clusters: Associating $\text{Trop}^+\text{Gr}_{3,6}$ with cluster algebras of type D_4 .

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In this paper, we intend to give a detailed explanation (but not a full proof) of Theorem 4.1 in [BCL17], which gives an explicit bijection between the rays of the Speyer-Williams fan $F_{3,6}$ and the almost positive roots of type D_4 . Much attention will be focused on defining and motivating the definitions above. [MS15] will be used as a "bedrock" resource for all things tropical, most pertinently, sections 4.3 (Grassmannians) and 5.4 (Arrangements of Trees) will be drawn upon heavily in describing the tropical grassmanian and its positive part. Similarly, the draft ([FWZ16],[FWZ17]) of Fomin, Williams and (posthumously) Zelevinsky's text on Cluster Algebras will serve as a "bedrock" source for all things related to cluster algebras; in particular, chapter 5 (Finite type classification) will be instrumental in defining clusters of type D_n . In addition to the sources already named, [SW05] (in which it is originally defined) will be crucial in defining $F_{k,n}$ and illustrating its connection to Trop⁺Gr_{k,n}. To illustrate this relationship, we shall reconstruct the computations of [BCL17, §5], in which the authors compute which (combinatorial types of) planes in the tropical projective space \mathbb{TP}^5 are realized in Trop⁺Gr_{3,6} as according to the classification of such planes by [Her+09].

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