

From this, we can see once again that all edges in the weak order graph must be black. Indeed, we can argue just as in Subsection 4.1.2 that for  $i < n$ , if  $\alpha_i$  is a non-compact imaginary root, it must be of type I. And since the cross action of  $s_{\alpha_n}$  is to interchange  $c_{n-1}$  with  $c_{n+2}$ , and  $c_n$  with  $c_{n+1}$ ,  $s_{\alpha_n}$  reverses one of the two above strings of four consecutive signs in the event that  $\alpha_n$  is non-compact imaginary for  $Q_\gamma$ . Thus  $s_{\alpha_n} \times Q_\gamma \neq Q_\gamma$ , and so all non-compact imaginary roots are of type I.

### 5.2.3 Example

With this combinatorial description of the orbit structure and the weak ordering in hand, consider the example  $n = 3$ . There are 10 orbits. See Figure B.12 of Appendix B for the weak order graph.

As usual, the closed orbits are parametrized by the clans consisting only of signs. To obtain an  $S$ -fixed representative of each, we simply take  $w \in S_{2n}$  to be the permutation which assigns  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ , in ascending order, to the coordinates of the  $+$  signs, and  $\{n+1, \dots, 2n\}$ , also in ascending order, to the coordinates of the  $-$  signs. The skew-symmetry of the clan dictates that this gives a signed element of  $S_{2n}$ , which corresponds to flag  $\langle e_{w(1)}, \dots, e_{w(2n)} \rangle \in X$ . We then take the signed permutation in  $W$  which corresponds to this signed element of  $S_{2n}$ . This signed permutation is the one which assigns, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $i \mapsto \pm i$ , depending on whether the sign in position  $i$  is a  $+$  or a  $-$ .

Since our formulas for classes of closed orbits are a bit complicated, we give a couple of examples. For the orbit  $(+, +, +, -, -, -)$ , take  $w = id$ . Since  $g(w) = 0$ ,

$$[Q_{(+,+,+,-,-,-)}] = \begin{vmatrix} c_2 & c_3 \\ c_0 & c_1 \end{vmatrix}.$$