

(Same notation as last time)

Weyl group of root system R

$$W \leq GL(E^*) \quad (\text{or } GL(E))$$

Subgroup generated by $\{S_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in R}$

- (1) $|W| < \infty$, since W preserves R & R spans E^* ,
so $W \leq \text{Perm}(R)$

- (2) W preserves (\cdot, \cdot) on E (or E^*)

$$(W\phi, W\psi) = (\phi, \psi)$$

Proof $(S_\alpha \phi, S_\alpha \psi) = (\phi - \alpha(\phi)\alpha^\vee, \psi - \alpha(\psi)\alpha^\vee),$

and $(\phi, \alpha^\vee) = \frac{2}{(\alpha, \alpha)} \alpha(\phi), \quad (\alpha^\vee, \alpha^\vee) = \frac{4}{(\alpha, \alpha)}.$

Expand & done.

- (3) W preserves $\{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in R}$ hyperplane arrangement in E .

$\Rightarrow W$ acts on set of connected components of $E^\circ = E \setminus \bigcup_{\alpha \in R} H_\alpha$.

simple roots

$\mathcal{C}^\circ \subset E^\circ$ fund. chamber $\leadsto \{\alpha_i\}_{i \in I}$ ^{simple roots} walls of \mathcal{C}°

$W' =$ subgroup of W generated by $S_i = S_{\alpha_i} \quad (i \in I)$.

Lemma let $y \in E$. then $\exists w \in W'$ s.t. $w(y) \in \overline{\mathcal{C}^\circ}$.

(i.e. α_i scores ≥ 0 on $w(y) \quad \forall i \in I$).

proof pick $a \in \mathcal{C}^\circ$. consider $W' \cdot y = \overset{\text{finite}}{\{w(y) \mid w \in W'\}}$.

Choose $y_0 \in W' \cdot y$ st. $\text{distance}(y_0, a) \leq \text{distance}(y', a) \quad \forall y' \in W' \cdot y$.

claim $\forall i \in I, \alpha_i(y_0) \geq 0$.

pf $\text{distance}(a, y_0)^2 \leq \text{distance}(a, S_i(y_0))^2$

$$|a - y_0|^2 \leq |a - S_i(y_0)|^2$$

$$\cancel{|a|^2 + |y_0|^2} - 2(a, y_0) \leq \cancel{|a|^2 + |S_i(y_0)|^2} - 2(a, S_i(y_0))$$

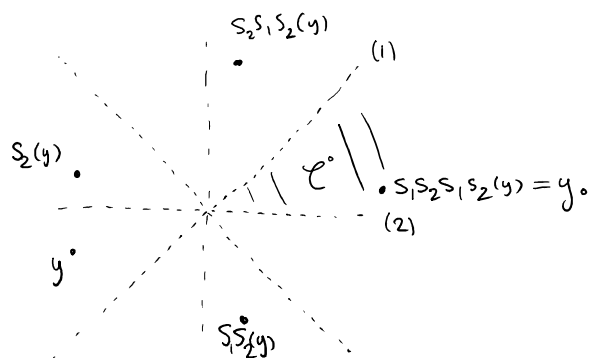
$$\Rightarrow (a, y_0 - S_i(y_0)) \geq 0$$

$$(a, \alpha_i(y_0) \alpha_i^\vee) \geq 0$$

$$\alpha_i(y_0) \underbrace{(a, \alpha_i^\vee)}_{\text{positive since } a \in \mathcal{C}^\circ} \geq 0$$

□

Ex



$$\forall y \in E, \exists w \in W' = \langle s_i \rangle_{i \in I} \text{ s.t. } w(y) \in \overline{C^0} \quad \left. \vphantom{\forall y \in E} \right\} \text{statement of thm above}$$

Corollaries

(1) $W \subset \pi_0(E^0)$ is transitive

(2) $R = \bigcup_{i \in I} W' \cdot \alpha_i$

pf $\bigcup_{i \in I} W' \cdot \alpha_i \subset R$ obvious.

conversely, if $\alpha \in R$, pick $\tau \in E^0$ s.t. α is a wall of \mathcal{C} ,
pick $w \in W'$ s.t. $w(\tau) = \alpha$.
walls are $\{\alpha_i\}_{i \in I}$

$$\Rightarrow w(\alpha) = \alpha_i \text{ for some } i \in I.$$

$$S_i(\alpha_j) = \alpha_j - a_{ij} \alpha_i \quad (i \neq j)$$

$\{\alpha_i\}_{i \in I} \rightsquigarrow$ repeated application of $\{S_i\}_{i \in I}$ gives R .

$$(3) \quad W = W'$$

$$\text{iff } W = \langle S_\alpha \rangle_{\alpha \in R}, \quad \text{WTS } S_\alpha \in W' \quad \forall \alpha \in R.$$

$$\text{let } w \in W' \text{ and } i \in I \text{ be s.t. } \alpha = w(\alpha_i)$$

$$\text{Then } S_\alpha = w \cdot S_i \cdot w^{-1} \in W' \quad \square$$

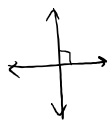
- generators of W : $\{S_i\}_{i \in I}$.
- Relations of W : $S_i^2 = e \quad \forall i \in I$.

Rank 2 relations (order of $s_i s_j = ?$)

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($|I| = \dim E$)

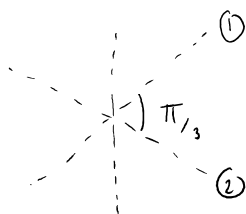
We use our classification of rank-2 root systems.

Eg



$A_1 \times A_1$

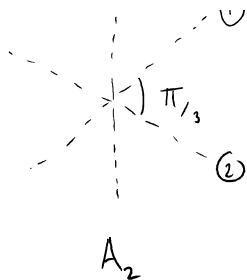
$$S_1 S_2 = S_2 S_1$$



A_2

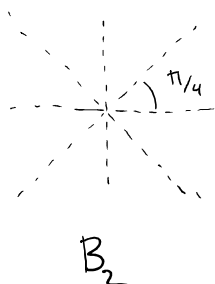
$$S_1 S_2 = \text{rotation by } \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$(S_1 S_2)^3 = e$$



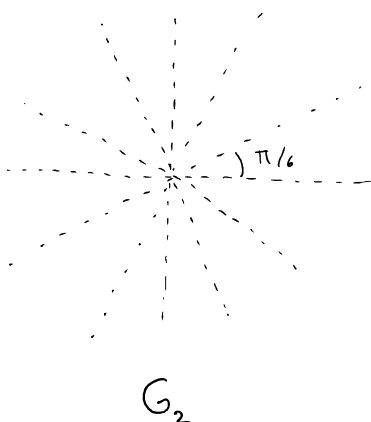
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$S_1 S_2 = \text{rotation by } \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$(S_1 S_2)^4 = e$$



$S_1 S_2 = \text{rotation by } \frac{2\pi}{6}$

$$(S_1 S_2)^6 = e$$

Remark D_{2n} comes from a root system

$$\Leftrightarrow \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) \in \mathbb{Q} \Leftrightarrow n = 2, 3, 4, 6$$

$\forall i \neq j, (S_i S_j)^{m_{ij}} = e$ where

$a_{ij} a_{ji}$	m_{ij}
0	2
1	3

0	2
1	3
2	4
3	6

Definition For $w \in W$, define length of w

$$l(w) = \min \{k \mid \exists i_1, \dots, i_k \in I \text{ s.t. } w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}\}.$$

$w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$ is "reduced expression" of w if $l = l(w)$.

Lemma If $\alpha \in R_+$ and $s_i(\alpha) \in R_-$, then $\alpha = \alpha_i$.

$$\text{Pf } s_i(\alpha) = \alpha - \alpha(\alpha_i^\vee) \cdot \alpha_i \in R_-$$

$$\text{if } \alpha = \sum_{j \in I} n_j \alpha_j \text{ then } n_j = 0 \quad \forall j \neq i$$

$$\alpha \sim \alpha_i, \quad \alpha \in R_+ \implies \alpha = \alpha_i \quad \square$$

Proposition Let $w \in W$; $i \in I$. Then TFAE.

$$(1) \quad l(ws_i) < l(w)$$

$$(2) \quad w(\alpha_i) \in R_-$$

(3) For any reduced expression

$$w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_\ell}$$

$$\exists j \in \{1, \dots, \ell\} \text{ s.t. } s_{i_j} s_{i_{j+1}} \cdots s_{i_\ell} = s_{i_{j+1}} \cdots s_{i_\ell} s_{i_j}$$

} exchange property.

Proof (2) \Rightarrow (3) $w(\alpha_i) \in R_-$, $w = s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_\ell}$.

Define $\beta_j = s_{i_{j+1}} \cdots s_{i_\ell}(\alpha_i)$ (for $0 \leq j \leq \ell$)

$$\text{eg } \beta_0 = \underbrace{w(\alpha_i)}_{R_-}, \quad \beta_\ell = \underbrace{\alpha_i}_{R_+}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists j \in \{1, \dots, \ell\} \text{ s.t. } \beta_{j-1} \in R_-, \beta_j \in R_+$$

$$\beta_{j-1} = s_{i_j}(\beta_j) \Rightarrow \beta_j = \alpha_{i_j}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \alpha_j = \underbrace{s_{i_{j+1}} \cdots s_{i_\ell}}_u(\alpha_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow s_{i_j} = u \cdot s_{i_j} \cdot u^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow s_{i_j} u = u s_{i_j}.$$

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let $\ell = \ell(w)$ and $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_\ell}$ be a reduced exp.

$$\text{By 3, } w = s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_{j-1}} s_{i_{j+1}} \cdots s_{i_\ell} s_{i_j}$$

$$\Rightarrow w s_{i_j} = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_{j-1}} s_{i_{j+1}} \cdots s_{i_\ell}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ell(w s_{i_j}) < \ell(w).$$

(1) \Rightarrow (2) If not, then $w(\alpha_i) \in R_+$

$$\underbrace{w \cdot s_{i_j}(\alpha_i)}_u \in R_-$$

We have shown $u(\alpha_i) \in R_- \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (1)$ for u

$$l(u \cdot s_i) < l(u)$$

$$l(w) < l(ws_i)$$

□

Corollaries of proposition

$$(1) \quad W = \langle s_i \mid s_i^2 = e, (s_i s_j)^{m_{ij}} = e \rangle$$

\uparrow
 $i \in I$

$$(2) \quad W \curvearrowright \pi_0(E^\circ) \quad \text{is free} \quad (\& \text{ transitive})$$

$$(3) \quad \text{Equivalent defns of } l(w):$$

$l(w) =$ smallest # of walls to cross to
get from τ° to $w(\tau^\circ)$.

$$= \# \{ \alpha \in R_+ \mid w(\alpha) \in R_- \}$$