



Algebra. — *Combinatorics and topology of toric arrangements defined by root systems*, by LUCA MOCI.

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ABSTRACT. — Given the toric (or toral) arrangement defined by a root system Φ , we classify and count its components of each dimension. We show how to reduce to the case of 0-dimensional components, and in this case we give an explicit formula involving the maximal subdiagrams of the affine Dynkin diagram of Φ . Then we compute the Euler characteristic and the Poincaré polynomial of the complement of the arrangement, which is the set of regular points of the torus.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathfrak{g} be a semisimple Lie algebra of rank n over \mathbb{C} , \mathfrak{h} a Cartan subalgebra and $\Phi \subset \mathfrak{h}^*$ and $\Phi^\vee \subset \mathfrak{h}$ respectively its root and coroot systems. The equations $\{\alpha(h) = 0\}_{\alpha \in \Phi}$ define in \mathfrak{h} a family \mathcal{H} of intersecting hyperplanes. Let $\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ be the lattice spanned by the coroots. Then the quotient $T \doteq \mathfrak{h} / \langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ is a complex torus of rank n . Each root α takes integer values on $\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$, so it induces a map $T \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{C}^*$ that we denote by e^α . The conditions $\{\alpha(h) \in \mathbb{Z}\}_{\alpha \in \Phi}$ define in \mathfrak{h} a periodic family of hyperplanes, or equivalently the equations $\{e^\alpha(t) = 1\}_{\alpha \in \Phi}$ define in T a finite family \mathcal{T} of hypersurfaces. \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{T} are called respectively the *hyperplane arrangement* and the *toric arrangement* defined by Φ (see for example [8], [10], [23]). We define the *subspaces* of \mathcal{H} to be the intersections of elements of \mathcal{H} , and the *components* of \mathcal{T} to be the connected components of the intersections of elements of \mathcal{T} . We denote by $\mathcal{S}(\Phi)$ the set of subspaces of \mathcal{H} , by $\mathcal{C}(\Phi)$ the set of components of \mathcal{T} , and by $\mathcal{S}_d(\Phi)$ and $\mathcal{C}_d(\Phi)$ the sets of d -dimensional subspaces and components. Clearly if $\Phi = \Phi_1 \times \Phi_2$ then $\mathcal{S}(\Phi) = \mathcal{S}(\Phi_1) \times \mathcal{S}(\Phi_2)$ and $\mathcal{C}(\Phi) = \mathcal{C}(\Phi_1) \times \mathcal{C}(\Phi_2)$, so from now on we will suppose Φ to be irreducible.

\mathcal{H} is a classical object, whereas De Concini and Procesi [8] recently showed that \mathcal{T} provides a geometric way to compute the values of the Kostant partition function. This function counts in how many ways an element of the lattice $\langle \Phi \rangle$ can be written as a sum of positive roots, and plays an important role in representation theory, since (by

Kostant's and Steinberg's formulae [18], [25]) it yields efficient computation of weight multiplicities and Littlewood–Richardson coefficients, as shown in [6] using results from [1], [3], [7], [26]. Values of the Kostant partition function can be computed as sums of contributions given by the elements of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ (see [6, Th. 3.2]).

Furthermore, let R be the complement in T of the union of all elements of \mathcal{T} . Then R is called the set of *regular points* of the torus T and has been intensively studied (see in particular [8], [19], [20]). The cohomology of R is the direct sum of contributions given by the elements of $\mathcal{C}(\Phi)$ (see for example [8]). Then by describing the action of W on $\mathcal{C}(\Phi)$ we implicitly get a W -equivariant decomposition of the cohomology of R , and by counting and classifying the elements of $\mathcal{C}(\Phi)$ we can compute the Poincaré polynomial of R .

We say that a subset Θ of Φ is a *subsystem* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- $\alpha \in \Theta \Rightarrow -\alpha \in \Theta$,
- $\alpha, \beta \in \Theta$ and $\alpha + \beta \in \Phi \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta \in \Theta$.

For each $t \in T$ let us define the following subsystem of Φ :

$$\Phi(t) \doteq \{\alpha \in \Phi \mid e^\alpha(t) = 1\}.$$

The aim of Section 2 is to describe $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$, the set of points $t \in T$ such that $\Phi(t)$ has rank n . Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ be the simple roots of Φ , α_0 the lowest root (i.e. the opposite of the highest root), and Φ_p the subsystem of Φ generated by $\{\alpha_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq n, i \neq p}$. Let Γ be the affine Dynkin diagram of Φ and $V(\Gamma)$ the set of its vertices (a list of such diagrams can be found for example in [12] or [17]). $V(\Gamma)$ is in bijection with $\{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$, so we can identify each vertex p with an integer from 0 to n . The diagram Γ_p that we get by removing from Γ the vertex p (and all adjacent edges) is the (genuine) Dynkin diagram of Φ_p . Let W be the Weyl group of Φ and W_p the Weyl group of Φ_p , i.e. the subgroup of W generated by all the reflections $s_{\alpha_0}, \dots, s_{\alpha_n}$ except s_{α_p} . Notice that Γ_0 is the Dynkin diagram of Φ and $W_0 = W$. Since W permutes the roots, its natural action on T restricts to an action on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$. We denote by $W(t)$ the stabilizer of a point $t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$. We prove

THEOREM 1. *There is a bijection between the W -orbits of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ and the vertices of Γ , having the property that for every point t in the orbit \mathcal{O}_p corresponding to the vertex p , $\Phi(t)$ is W -conjugate to Φ_p and $W(t)$ is W -conjugate to W_p .*

As a corollary we get the formula

$$(1) \quad |\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)| = \sum_{p \in V(\Gamma)} \frac{|W|}{|W_p|}.$$

In Section 3 we deal with components of arbitrary dimension. For each component U of \mathcal{T} we consider the subsystem of Φ ,

$$\Theta_U \doteq \{\alpha \in \Phi \mid e^\alpha(t) = 1 \forall t \in U\},$$

and its completion $\overline{\Theta_U} \doteq \langle \Theta_U \rangle_{\mathbb{R}} \cap \Phi$.

Let \mathcal{K}_d be the set of subsystems Θ of Φ of rank $n - d$ that are *complete* (i.e. such that $\Theta = \overline{\Theta}$), and let \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ be the set of components U such that $\overline{\Theta_U} = \Theta$. This gives a partition of the components:

$$\mathcal{C}_d(\Phi) = \bigsqcup_{\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d} \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi.$$

Notice that the subsystem of roots vanishing on a subspace of \mathcal{H} is always complete; then \mathcal{K}_d is in bijection with \mathcal{S}_d . The elements of \mathcal{S}_d are classified and counted in [22], [23]. Thus the description of the sets \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ that we give in Theorem 11 yields a classification of the components of \mathcal{T} . In particular, we show that $|\mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi| = n_\Theta^{-1} |\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)|$, where n_Θ is an integer depending only on the conjugacy class of Θ , and so

$$(2) \quad |\mathcal{C}_d(\Phi)| = \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d} n_\Theta^{-1} |\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)|.$$

In Section 4, using results of [8] and [9], we deduce from Theorem 1 that the Euler characteristic of R is equal to $(-1)^n |W|$. Moreover, Corollary 12 yields a formula for the Poincaré polynomial of R :

$$(3) \quad P_\Phi(q) = \sum_{d=0}^n (-1)^d (q+1)^d q^{n-d} \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d} n_\Theta^{-1} |W^\Theta|.$$

This formula allows one to compute $P_\Phi(q)$ explicitly.

2. ZERO-DIMENSIONAL COMPONENTS

2.1. Statements

For all facts about Lie algebras and root systems we refer to [14]. Let

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Phi} \mathfrak{g}_\alpha$$

be the Cartan decomposition of \mathfrak{g} , and let us choose nonzero elements X_0, X_1, \dots, X_n in the 1-dimensional subalgebras $\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha_0}, \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha_1}, \dots, \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha_n}$; since $[\mathfrak{g}_\alpha, \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha'}] = \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha+\alpha'}$ whenever $\alpha, \alpha', \alpha + \alpha' \in \Phi$, we know that X_0, X_1, \dots, X_n generate \mathfrak{g} . Let $a_0 = 1$ and for $p = 1, \dots, n$ let a_p be the coefficient of α_p in $-\alpha_0$. For each $p = 0, \dots, n$ we define an automorphism σ_p of \mathfrak{g} by

$$\sigma_p(X_p) \doteq e^{2\pi i a_p^{-1}} X_p, \quad \sigma_p(X_i) = X_i \quad \forall i \neq p.$$

Let G be the semisimple and simply connected algebraic group having root system Φ ; \mathfrak{g} and T are respectively the Lie algebra and a maximal torus of G (see for example [13]). G acts on itself by conjugacy, i.e. for each $g \in G$ the map $k \mapsto gkg^{-1}$ is an automorphism of G . Its differential $\text{Ad}(g)$ is an automorphism of \mathfrak{g} .

REMARK 2. Let $t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ and let $\mathfrak{g}^{\text{Ad}(t)}$ be the subalgebra consisting of the elements fixed by $\text{Ad}(t)$. For each $\alpha \in \Phi$ and for each $X_\alpha \in \mathfrak{g}_\alpha$ we have $\text{Ad}(t)(X_\alpha) = e^\alpha(t)X_\alpha$, thus

$$\mathfrak{g}^{\text{Ad}(t)} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Phi(t)} \mathfrak{g}_\alpha.$$

Moreover, \mathfrak{g}^{σ_p} is generated by the subalgebras $\{\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha_i}\}_{0 \leq i \leq n, i \neq p}$. Then $\mathfrak{g}^{\text{Ad}(t)}$ and \mathfrak{g}^{σ_p} are semisimple algebras with root systems respectively $\Phi(t)$ and Φ_p . Our strategy will be to prove that for each $t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$, $\text{Ad}(t)$ is conjugate to some σ_p . This implies that $\mathfrak{g}^{\text{Ad}(t)}$ is conjugate to \mathfrak{g}^{σ_p} and then $\Phi(t)$ to Φ_p , as claimed in Theorem 1.

Then we want to give a bijection between vertices of Γ and W -orbits of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ showing that, for every t in the orbit \mathcal{O}_p , $\text{Ad}(t)$ is conjugate to σ_p . However, since some of the σ_p (as well as the corresponding Φ_p) are themselves conjugate, this bijection is not going to be canonical. To make it canonical we should merge the orbits corresponding to conjugate automorphisms; for this we consider the action of a larger group.

Let $\Lambda(\Phi) \subset \mathfrak{h}$ be the lattice of coweights of Φ , i.e.

$$\Lambda(\Phi) \doteq \{h \in \mathfrak{h} \mid \alpha(h) \in \mathbb{Z} \forall \alpha \in \Phi\}.$$

The lattice spanned by the coroots $\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ is a sublattice of $\Lambda(\Phi)$; set

$$Z(\Phi) \doteq \Lambda(\Phi) / \langle \Phi^\vee \rangle.$$

This finite subgroup of T coincides with $Z(G)$, the *center* of G . It is well known ([13, 13.4]) that

$$(4) \quad \text{Ad}(g) = \text{id}_{\mathfrak{g}} \Leftrightarrow g \in Z(\Phi).$$

Notice that

$$Z(\Phi) = \{t \in T \mid \Phi(t) = \Phi\}$$

thus $Z(\Phi) \subseteq \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$. Moreover, for each $z \in Z(\Phi)$, $t \in T$, $\alpha \in \Phi$,

$$e^\alpha(zt) = e^\alpha(z)e^\alpha(t) = e^\alpha(t),$$

and therefore $\Phi(zt) = \Phi(t)$. In particular, $Z(\Phi)$ acts by multiplication on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$. Clearly this action commutes with that of W and we get an action of $W \times Z(\Phi)$ on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$.

Let Q be the set of $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$ -orbits of $V(\Gamma)$. If $p, p' \in V(\Gamma)$ are two representatives of $q \in Q$, then $\Gamma_p \simeq \Gamma_{p'}$, thus $W_p \simeq W_{p'}$. Moreover we will see (Corollary 7(ii)) that σ_p is conjugate to $\sigma_{p'}$. Then we can restate Theorem 1 as follows.

THEOREM 3. *There is a canonical bijection between Q and the set of $W \times Z(\Phi)$ -orbits in $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$, having the property that if $p \in V(\Gamma)$ is a representative of $q \in Q$, then:*

- (i) every point t in the corresponding orbit \mathcal{O}_q induces an automorphism conjugate to σ_p ;
- (ii) the stabilizer of $t \in \mathcal{O}_q$ is isomorphic to $W_p \times \text{Stab}_{\text{Aut}(\Gamma)} p$.

This theorem immediately implies the formula

$$(5) \quad |\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)| = \sum_{q \in Q} |q| \frac{|W|}{|W_p|}$$

where p is any representative of q . This is clearly equivalent to formula (1).

REMARK 4. If we view the elements of $\Lambda(\Phi)$ as translations, we can define a group of isometries of \mathfrak{h} by

$$\tilde{W} \doteq W \ltimes \Lambda(\Phi).$$

\tilde{W} is called the *extended affine Weyl group* of Φ and contains the affine Weyl group $\widehat{W} \doteq W \ltimes \langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ (see for example [15], [24]).

The action of $W \times Z(\Phi)$ on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ can be lifted to an action of \tilde{W} . Indeed, \tilde{W} preserves the lattice $\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ of \mathfrak{h} , and thus acts on $T = \mathfrak{h}/\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ and on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi) \subset T$. Since the semidirect factor $\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ acts trivially, \tilde{W} acts as its quotient,

$$\tilde{W}/\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle \simeq W \times Z(\Phi).$$

2.2. Examples

In the following examples we denote by \mathfrak{S}_n , \mathfrak{D}_n , \mathfrak{C}_n respectively the symmetric, dihedral and cyclic group on n letters.

CASE \mathfrak{C}_n . The roots $2\alpha_i + \dots + 2\alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_n$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) take integer values at the points $[\alpha_1^\vee/2], \dots, [\alpha_n^\vee/2] \in \mathfrak{h}/\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$, and thus at their sums, for a total of 2^n points of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$. Indeed, let us introduce the following notation. For a fixed basis h_1^*, \dots, h_n^* of \mathfrak{h}^* , the simple roots of \mathfrak{C}_n can be written as

$$(6) \quad \alpha_i = h_i^* - h_{i+1}^* \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad \alpha_n = 2h_n^*.$$

Then $\Phi = \{h_i^* - h_j^*\} \cup \{h_i^* + h_j^*\} \cup \{\pm 2h_i^*\}$ ($i, j = 1, \dots, n, i \neq j$), and writing t_i for $e^{h_i^*}$, we have

$$e^\Phi \doteq \{e^\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Phi\} = \{t_i t_j^{-1}\} \cup \{t_i t_j\} \cup \{t_i^{\pm 2}\}.$$

The system of n independent equations $t_1^2 = 1, \dots, t_n^2 = 1$ has 2^n solutions: $(\pm 1, \dots, \pm 1)$, and it is easy to see that the other systems do not have other solutions. The group $W \simeq \mathfrak{S}_n \times (\mathfrak{C}_2)^n$ acts on $T = (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ by permuting and inverting its coordinates; the second operation is trivial on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$. Two elements of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ are in the same W -orbit if and only if they have the same number of negative coordinates. So we

can define the p -th W -orbit \mathcal{O}_p as the set of points with p negative coordinates. (This choice is not canonical: we may choose the set of points with p positive coordinates as well.) Clearly, if $t \in \mathcal{O}_p$ then

$$W(t) \simeq (\mathfrak{S}_p \times \mathfrak{S}_{n-p}) \ltimes (\mathbb{C}_2)^n.$$

Thus $|\mathcal{O}_p| = \binom{n}{p}$ and we get

$$|\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)| = \sum_{p=0}^n \binom{n}{p} = 2^n.$$

Notice that if $t \in \mathcal{O}_p$ then $-t \in \mathcal{O}_{n-p}$, and $\text{Ad}(t) = \text{Ad}(-t)$ since $Z(\Phi) = \{\pm(1, \dots, 1)\}$. In fact, Γ has a symmetry exchanging the vertices p and $n - p$. Finally, notice that $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ is a subgroup of T isomorphic to $(\mathbb{C}_2)^n$ and generated by the elements

$$\delta_i \doteq (1, \dots, 1, -1, 1, \dots, 1) \quad (\text{with the } -1 \text{ at the } i\text{-th place}).$$

Then we can return to the original coordinates observing that δ_i is the nontrivial solution of the system $t_i^2 = 1, t_j = 1$ for $j \neq i$, and using (6) to get

$$\delta_i \leftrightarrow \left[\sum_{k=i}^n \alpha_k^\vee / 2 \right].$$

CASE D_n . We can write $\alpha_n = h_{n-1}^* + h_n^*$ and the other α_i as before, so $e^\Phi = \{t_i t_j^{-1}\} \cup \{t_i t_j\}$. Then each system of n independent equations is W -conjugate to

$$t_1 = t_2, \dots, t_{p-1} = t_p, t_{p-1} = t_p^{-1}, t_{p+1}^{\pm 1} = t_{p+2}, \dots, t_{n-1} = t_n, t_{n-1} = t_n^{-1}$$

for some $p \neq 1, n - 1$. Thus we get the subset of $(\mathbb{C}_2)^n$ consisting of the following n -ples: $\{(\pm 1, \dots, \pm 1)\} \setminus \{\pm \delta_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$, $2^n - 2n$ in number. However, reasoning as before we see that each such n -ple represents two points in $\mathfrak{h}/\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$. Namely, the correspondence is given by

$$\left\{ \left[\sum_{k=i}^{n-1} \frac{\alpha_k^\vee}{2} \pm \frac{\alpha_{n-1}^\vee - \alpha_n^\vee}{4} \right] \right\} \rightarrow \delta_i.$$

From the geometric point of view, the t_i s are coordinates of a maximal torus of the orthogonal group, while $T = \mathfrak{h}/\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ is a maximal torus of its two-sheet universal covering. Each W -orbit corresponding to the four extremal vertices of Γ is a singleton consisting of one of the four points over $\pm(1, \dots, 1)$, all inducing the identity automorphism: indeed, $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$ acts transitively on these points. The other orbits are defined as in the case C_n .

CASE B_n . This case is very similar to the previous one, but now $\alpha_n = h_n^*$, $e^\Phi = \{t_i t_j^{-1}\} \cup \{t_i t_j\} \cup \{t_i^{\pm 1}\}$, and hence we get the points $\{(\pm 1, \dots, \pm 1)\} \setminus \{\delta_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$. Here the projection is

$$\left\{ \left[\sum_{k=i}^{n-1} \frac{\alpha_k^\vee}{2} \pm \frac{\alpha_n^\vee}{4} \right] \right\} \rightarrow \delta_i$$

so we have $2^n - n$ pairs of points in $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$.

CASE A_n . If we view \mathfrak{h}^* as the subspace of $\langle h_1^*, \dots, h_{n+1}^* \rangle$ of equation $\sum h_i^* = 0$, and T as the subgroup of $(\mathbb{C}^*)^{n+1}$ of equation $\prod t_i = 1$, we can write all the simple roots as $\alpha_i = h_i^* - h_{i+1}^*$; then $e^\Phi = \{t_i t_j^{-1}\}$. In this case Φ has no proper subsystem of the same rank, so all the coordinates must be equal. Therefore

$$\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi) = Z(\Phi) = \{(\zeta, \dots, \zeta) \mid \zeta^{n+1} = 1\} \simeq \mathfrak{C}_{n+1}.$$

Then $W \simeq \mathfrak{S}_{n+1}$ acts on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ trivially and $Z(\Phi)$ transitively, as expected since $\text{Aut}(\Gamma) \simeq \mathfrak{D}_{n+1}$ acts transitively on the vertices of Γ . We can write more explicitly $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi) \subseteq \mathfrak{h}/\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ as

$$\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi) = \left\{ \left[\frac{k}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n i \alpha_i^\vee \right] \mid k = 0, \dots, n \right\}.$$

2.3. Proofs

Motivated by Remark 2, we start by describing the automorphisms of \mathfrak{g} that are induced by the points of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$.

LEMMA 5. *If $t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$, then $\text{Ad}(t)$ has finite order.*

PROOF. Let β_1, \dots, β_n be linearly independent roots such that $e^{\beta_i}(t) = 1$. Then for each root $\alpha \in \Phi$ we have $m\alpha = \sum c_i \beta_i$ for some $m, c_i \in \mathbb{Z}$, and thus

$$e^\alpha(t^m) = e^{m\alpha}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n (e^{\beta_i})^{c_i}(t) = 1.$$

Then $\text{Ad}(t^m)$ is the identity on \mathfrak{g} , so by (4), $t^m \in Z(\Phi)$. As $Z(\Phi)$ is a finite group, t^m and t have finite order. \square

The previous lemma allows us to apply the following

THEOREM 6 (Kac).

- (i) *Each inner automorphism of \mathfrak{g} of finite order m is conjugate to an automorphism σ of the form*

$$\sigma(X_i) = \zeta^{s_i} X_i$$

with ζ a fixed primitive m -th root of unity and (s_0, \dots, s_n) nonnegative integers without common factors such that $m = \sum s_i a_i$.

- (ii) Two such automorphisms are conjugate if and only if there is an automorphism of Γ sending the parameters (s_0, \dots, s_n) of the first to the parameters (s'_0, \dots, s'_n) of the second.
- (iii) Let (i_1, \dots, i_r) be all the indices for which $s_{i_1} = \dots = s_{i_r} = 0$. Then \mathfrak{g}^σ is the direct sum of an $(n-r)$ -dimensional center and a semisimple Lie algebra whose Dynkin diagram is the subdiagram of Γ with vertices i_1, \dots, i_r .

This is a special case of a theorem proved in [16] and more extensively in [12, X.5.15 and 16]. We only need the following

COROLLARY 7.

- (i) Let σ be an inner automorphism of \mathfrak{g} of finite order m such that \mathfrak{g}^σ is semisimple. Then there is $p \in V(\Gamma)$ such that σ is conjugate to σ_p . In particular, $m = a_p$ and the Dynkin diagram of \mathfrak{g}^σ is Γ_p .
- (ii) Two automorphisms $\sigma_p, \sigma_{p'}$ are conjugate if and only if p, p' are in the same $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$ -orbit.

PROOF. If \mathfrak{g}^σ is semisimple, then in Theorem 6(iii) $n = r$, hence all parameters of σ but one are equal to 0, and the nonzero parameter s_p must be equal to 1, otherwise there would be a common factor, contradicting Theorem 6. So we get the first statement. Then the second statement follows from Theorem 6(ii). \square

Let $t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$; by Remark 2, $\mathfrak{g}^{\text{Ad}(t)}$ is semisimple, so by Corollary 7(i), $\text{Ad}(t)$ is conjugate to some σ_p . Thus there is a canonical map

$$(7) \quad \psi : \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}$$

sending t to $\psi(t) = \{p \in V(\Gamma) \mid \sigma_p \text{ is conjugate to } \text{Ad}(t)\}$. Notice that $\psi(t)$ is a well-defined element of \mathcal{Q} by Corollary 7(ii).

We now prove the fundamental

LEMMA 8. Two points in $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ induce conjugate automorphisms if and only if they are in the same $W \times Z(\Phi)$ -orbit.

PROOF. Let N be the normalizer of T in G . We recall that $W \simeq N/T$ and the action of W on T is induced by the conjugation action of N ; it is also well known that two points of T are G -conjugate if and only if they are W -conjugate. Thus W -conjugate points induce conjugate automorphisms. Moreover, by (4),

$$\text{Ad}(t) = \text{Ad}(s) \Leftrightarrow \text{Ad}(ts^{-1}) = \text{id}_{\mathfrak{g}} \Leftrightarrow ts^{-1} \in Z(\Phi).$$

Finally, suppose that $t, t' \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ induce conjugate automorphisms, i.e.

$$\exists g \in G : \text{Ad}(t') = \text{Ad}(g) \text{Ad}(t) \text{Ad}(g^{-1}) = \text{Ad}(gtg^{-1}).$$

Then $zt' = gtg^{-1}$ for some $z \in Z(\Phi)$. Thus zt' and t are G -conjugate elements of T , and so they are W -conjugate, proving the claim. \square

We can now prove Theorem 3(i). Indeed, by the previous lemma there is a canonical injective map defined on the set of orbits of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$:

$$\overline{\psi} : \frac{\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)}{W \times Z(\Phi)} \rightarrow Q.$$

We must show that this map is surjective. The system

$$\alpha_i(h) = 1 \ (\forall i \neq 0, p), \quad \alpha_p(h) = a_p^{-1}$$

is composed of n linearly independent equations, so it has a solution $h \in \mathfrak{h}$. Notice that $\alpha_0(h) \in \mathbb{Z}$. Let t be the class of h in T ; then $e^\alpha(t) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \Phi_p$. Hence by Remark 2, $\text{Ad}(t)$ is conjugate to σ_p , and $\Phi(t)$ to Φ_p .

In order to relate the action of $Z(\Phi)$ to that of $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$, we introduce the following subset of W . For each $p \neq 0$ such that $a_p = 1$, set $z_p \doteq w_0^p w_0$, where w_0 is the longest element of W and w_0^p is the longest element of the parabolic subgroup of W generated by all the simple reflections $s_{\alpha_1}, \dots, s_{\alpha_n}$ except s_{α_p} . Then we define

$$W_Z \doteq \{1\} \cup \{z_p\}_{p=1, \dots, n, a_p=1}.$$

This set has the following properties (see [15, §1.7 and 1.8]):

THEOREM 9 (Iwahori–Matsumoto).

- (i) W_Z is a subgroup of W isomorphic to $Z(\Phi)$.
- (ii) For each $z_p \in W_Z$, $z_p \cdot \alpha_0 = \alpha_p$. This defines an injective morphism $W_Z \hookrightarrow \text{Aut}(\Gamma)$, and the W_Z -orbits of $V(\Gamma)$ coincide with the $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$ -orbits.

Therefore Q is the set of W_Z -orbits of $V(\Gamma)$, and the bijection $\overline{\psi}$ between Q and the set of $Z(\Phi)$ -orbits of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)/W$ can be lifted to a noncanonical bijection between $V(\Gamma)$ and $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)/W$. Thus we just have to consider the action of W on $\mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)$ and prove

LEMMA 10. *If $t \in \mathcal{O}_p$, then $W(t)$ is conjugate to W_p .*

PROOF. Notice that the centralizer $C_N(t)$ of t in N is the normalizer of $T = C_T(t)$ in $C_G(t)$. Thus $W(t) = C_N(t)/T$ is the Weyl group of $C_G(t)$. Since $C_G(t)$ is the subgroup of G of points fixed by the conjugacy by t , its Lie algebra is $\mathfrak{g}^{\text{Ad}(t)}$, conjugate to \mathfrak{g}^{σ_p} by Theorem 3(i). Therefore $W(t)$ is conjugate to W_p . \square

This completes the proof of Theorem 3 and also of Theorem 1, since by Remark 2 the map ψ defined in (7) can also be seen as the map

$$t \mapsto \psi(t) = \{p \in V(\Gamma) \mid \Phi_p \text{ is conjugate to } \Phi(t)\}.$$

3. POSITIVE-DIMENSIONAL COMPONENTS

3.1. From hyperplane arrangements to toric arrangements

Let S be a d -dimensional subspace of \mathcal{H} . The set Θ_S of elements of Φ vanishing on S is a complete subsystem of Φ of rank $n - d$. Hence the map $S \mapsto \Theta_S$ gives a bijection between \mathcal{S}_d and \mathcal{K}_d , whose inverse is

$$\Theta \mapsto S(\Theta) \doteq \{h \in \mathfrak{h} \mid \alpha(h) = 0 \ \forall \alpha \in \Theta\}.$$

In [23, 6.4 and C] (following [22] and [5]) the subspaces of \mathcal{H} are classified and counted, and the W -orbits of \mathcal{S}_d are completely described. This is done case-by-case according to the type of Φ . We now show a case-free way to extend this analysis to the components of \mathcal{T} .

Given a component U of \mathcal{T} , set

$$\Theta_U \doteq \{\alpha \in \Phi \mid e^\alpha(t) = 1 \ \forall t \in U\}.$$

In contrast with the case of linear arrangements, Θ_U in general is not complete. For each $\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d$ define \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ as the set of components U such that $\overline{\Theta_U} = \Theta$. This is clearly a partition of the set of d -dimensional components of \mathcal{T} , i.e.

$$(8) \quad \mathcal{C}_d(\Phi) = \bigsqcup_{\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d} \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi.$$

We may think of $S(\Theta)$ as the tangent space at any point of each component of \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ ; then by [23] the problem of classifying and counting the components of \mathcal{T} reduces to classifying and counting the components of \mathcal{T} with a given tangent space, i.e. the elements of \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ . We do this in the next section.

3.2. Theorems

Let Θ be a complete subsystem of Φ and W^Θ its Weyl group. Let \mathfrak{k} and K be respectively the semisimple Lie algebra and the semisimple and simply connected algebraic group with root system Θ , \mathfrak{d} a Cartan subalgebra of \mathfrak{k} , $\langle \Theta^\vee \rangle$ and $\Lambda(\Theta)$ the coroot and coweight lattices, $Z(\Theta) \doteq \Lambda(\Theta)/\langle \Theta^\vee \rangle$ the center of K , D the maximal torus of K defined by $\mathfrak{d}/\langle \Theta^\vee \rangle$, \mathcal{D} the toric arrangement defined by Θ on D , and $\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)$ the set of its 0-dimensional components.

We also consider the *adjoint group* $K_a \doteq K/Z(\Theta)$ and its maximal torus $D_a \doteq D/Z(\Theta) \simeq \mathfrak{d}/\Lambda(\Theta)$. We recall from [13] that K is the universal covering of K_a , and if D' is an algebraic torus with Lie algebra \mathfrak{d} , then $D' \simeq \mathfrak{d}/L$ for some lattice $\Lambda(\Theta) \supseteq L \supseteq \langle \Theta^\vee \rangle$; so there are natural covering projections $D \twoheadrightarrow D' \twoheadrightarrow D_a$ with kernels respectively $L/\langle \Theta^\vee \rangle$ and $\Lambda(\Theta)/L$. Notice that Θ naturally defines an arrangement on each D' , and that for $D' = D_a$ the set of 0-dimensional components is $\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)/Z(\Theta)$. Given a point t of some D' we set

$$\Theta(t) \doteq \{\alpha \in \Theta \mid e^\alpha(t) = 1\}.$$

THEOREM 11. *There is a W^Θ -equivariant surjective map*

$$\varphi : \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)/Z(\Theta)$$

such that $\ker \varphi \simeq Z(\Phi) \cap Z(\Theta)$ and $\Theta_U = \Theta(\varphi(U))$.

PROOF. Let $S(\Theta)$ be the subspace of \mathfrak{h} defined in Section 3.1 and H the corresponding subtorus of T . Then T/H is a torus with Lie algebra $\mathfrak{h}/S(\Theta) \simeq \mathfrak{d}$, so Θ defines an arrangement \mathcal{D}' on $D' \doteq T/H$. The projection $\pi : T \rightarrow T/H$ induces a bijection between \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ and the set of 0-dimensional components of \mathcal{D}' , because $H \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi$ and $\Theta_U = \Theta(\pi(U))$ for each $U \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi$.

Moreover, the restriction of the projection $d\pi : \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}/S(\Theta)$ to $\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ is simply the map that restricts the coroots of Φ to Θ . Set $R^\Phi(\Theta) \doteq d\pi(\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle)$; then $\Lambda(\Theta) \supseteq R^\Phi(\Theta) \supseteq \langle \Theta^\vee \rangle$ and $D' \simeq \mathfrak{d}/R^\Phi(\Theta)$. Denote by p the projection $\Lambda(\Phi) \rightarrow \Lambda(\Phi)/\langle \Phi^\vee \rangle$ and embed $\Lambda(\Theta)$ in $\Lambda(\Phi)$ in the natural way. Then the kernel of the covering projection of $D' \rightarrow D_a$ is isomorphic to

$$\Lambda(\Theta)/R^\Phi(\Theta) \simeq p(\Lambda(\Theta)) \simeq Z(\Phi) \cap Z(\Theta). \quad \square$$

We set

$$n_\Theta \doteq |Z(\Theta)|/|Z(\Phi) \cap Z(\Theta)|.$$

The following corollary is straightforward from Theorem 11.

COROLLARY 12.

$$|\mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi| = n_\Theta^{-1} |\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)|$$

and then by (8),

$$|\mathcal{C}_d(\Phi)| = \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d} n_\Theta^{-1} |\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)|.$$

Notice that two components U, U' of \mathcal{T} are W -conjugate if and only if the two conditions below are satisfied:

- their tangent spaces are W -conjugate, i.e. there exists $w \in W$ such that $\overline{\Theta_U} = w.\overline{\Theta_{U'}}$;
- U and $w.U'$ are $W^{\overline{\Theta_U}}$ -conjugate.

Then the action of W on $\mathcal{C}(\Phi)$ is described by the following remark.

REMARK 13. (i) By Theorem 11, φ induces a surjective map $\bar{\varphi}$ from the set of W^Θ -orbits of \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ to the set of $W^\Theta \times Z(\Theta)$ -orbits of $\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)$, described by Theorem 3.
 (ii) In particular, if Θ is irreducible, let Γ^Θ be its affine Dynkin diagram, Q^Θ the set of $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$ -orbits of its vertices, Γ_p^Θ the diagram that we get from Γ^Θ by removing the vertex p , and Θ_p the associated root system. Then there is a surjective map

$$\hat{\varphi} : \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi \rightarrow Q^\Theta$$

such that if $\hat{\varphi}(U) = q$ and p is a representative of q , then $\Theta_U \simeq \Theta_p$.

3.3. Examples

CASE F_4 . We have $Z(\Phi) = \{1\}$, thus $n_\Theta = |Z(\Theta)|$. Therefore in this case n_Θ does not depend on the conjugacy class, but only on the isomorphism class of Θ .

We say that a subspace S of \mathcal{H} (respectively a component U of \mathcal{T}) is of a given type if the corresponding subsystem Θ_S (respectively Θ_U) is of that type. Then by [23, Tab. C.9] and Corollary 12 there are:

1. one subspace of type A_0 , tangent to one component of the same type (the whole spaces);
2. 24 subspaces of type A_1 , each tangent to one component of the same type;
3. 72 subspaces of type $A_1 \times A_1$, each tangent to one component of the same type;
4. 32 subspaces of type A_2 , each tangent to one component of the same type;
5. 18 subspaces of type B_2 , each tangent to one component of the same type and one component of type $A_1 \times A_1$;
6. 12 subspaces of type C_3 , each tangent to one component of the same type and three of type $A_2 \times A_1$;
7. 12 subspaces of type B_3 , each tangent to one component of the same type, one of type A_3 and three of type $A_1 \times A_1 \times A_1$;
8. 96 subspaces of type $A_1 \times A_2$, each tangent to one component of the same type;
9. one subspace of type F_4 (the origin), tangent to: one component of the same type, 12 of type $A_1 \times C_3$, 32 of type $A_2 \times A_2$, 24 of type $A_3 \times A_1$, and 3 of type C_4 .

CASE A_{n-1} . It is easily seen that each subsystem Θ of Φ is complete and is a product of irreducible factors $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_k$, with Θ_i of type A_{λ_i-1} for some positive integers λ_i such that $\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_k = n$ and $n - k$ is the rank of Θ . In other words, as is well known, the W -conjugacy classes of subspaces of \mathcal{H} are in bijection with the partitions λ of n , and if a subspace has dimension d then the corresponding partition has length $|\lambda| \doteq k$ equal to $d + 1$. The number of subspaces of the partition λ is easily seen to be equal to $n!/b_\lambda$, where b_i is the number of λ_j that are equal to i and $b_\lambda \doteq \prod i!^{b_i}$ (see [23, 6.72]). Now let g_λ be the greatest common divisor of $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$. By Example 4 in Section 2.2 we know that $|Z(\Theta)| = \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_k = |\mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)|$ and $|Z(\Phi) \cap Z(\Theta)| = g_\lambda$. Then by Corollary 12, $|\mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi| = g_\lambda$ and

$$|\mathcal{C}_d(\Phi)| = \sum_{|\lambda|=d+1} \frac{n!g_\lambda}{b_\lambda}.$$

This could also be seen directly as follows. We can view T as the subgroup of $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ given by the equation $t_1 \dots t_n - 1 = 0$. Then Θ imposes the equations

$$t_1 = \dots = t_{\lambda_1}, \dots, t_{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_{k-1} + 1} = \dots = t_n.$$

Thus we have the relation $x_1^{\lambda_1} \dots x_k^{\lambda_k} - 1 = 0$. If $g_\lambda = 1$ this polynomial is irreducible, because the vector $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$ can be completed to a basis of the lattice \mathbb{Z}^k . If $g_\lambda > 1$ this polynomial has exactly g_λ irreducible factors over \mathbb{C} . Thus in every case it defines an affine variety having exactly g_λ irreducible components, which are precisely the elements of \mathcal{C}_Θ^Φ .

4. TOPOLOGICAL INVARIANTS

4.1. Theorems

Let R be the complement in T of the union of all the hypersurfaces of the toric arrangement \mathcal{T} . In this section we prove that the Euler characteristic of R , denoted by χ_Φ , is equal to $(-1)^n |W|$. This may also be seen as a consequence of [4, Prop. 5.3]. We also give a formula for the Poincaré polynomial of R , denoted by $P_\Phi(q)$.

Let d_1, \dots, d_n be the *degrees* of W , i.e. the degrees of the generators of the ring of W -invariant regular functions on \mathfrak{h} . It is well known that $d_1 \dots d_n = |W|$. Moreover, by [2], $\mathcal{B}(\Phi) \doteq (d_1 - 1) \dots (d_n - 1)$ is equal to the leading coefficient of the Poincaré polynomial of the complement of \mathcal{H} in \mathfrak{h} , and hence to the number of *unbroken bases* of Φ , because by [21] they give a basis for the n -th cohomology space.

The cohomology of R can be expressed as a direct sum of contributions given by the components of \mathcal{T} (see for example [8, Th. 4.2] or [10, 15.1.5]). In terms of the Poincaré polynomial this expression is:

THEOREM 14.

$$P_\Phi(q) = \sum_{U \in \mathcal{C}(\Phi)} \mathcal{B}(\Theta_U)(q + 1)^{d(U)} q^{n-d(U)}$$

where $d(U)$ is the dimension of the component U .

Now we use this expression to compute χ_Φ .

LEMMA 15.

$$\chi_\Phi = (-1)^n \sum_{p=0}^n \frac{|W|}{|W_p|} \mathcal{B}(\Phi_p).$$

PROOF. We have

$$(9) \quad \chi_\Phi = P_\Phi(-1) = (-1)^n \sum_{t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Phi)} \mathcal{B}(\Phi(t))$$

because the contributions of all components of positive dimension vanish at -1 . Obviously isomorphic subsystems have the same degrees, so Theorem 1 yields the statement. \square

THEOREM 16.

$$\chi_\Phi = (-1)^n |W|.$$

PROOF. By the previous lemma we must prove that

$$\sum_{p=0}^n \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Phi_p)}{|W_p|} = 1.$$

If we write d_1^p, \dots, d_n^p for the degrees of W_p , the previous identity becomes

$$\sum_{p=0}^n \frac{(d_1^p - 1) \dots (d_n^p - 1)}{d_1^p \dots d_n^p} = 1.$$

This identity has been proved in [9], and later with different methods in [11]. \square

Notice that W acts on R and hence on the cohomology of R . So we can consider the *equivariant Euler characteristic* of R , that is, for each $w \in W$,

$$\tilde{\chi}_\Phi(w) \doteq \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \text{Tr}(w, H^i(R, \mathbb{C})).$$

Let ϱ_W be the character of the regular representation of W . From Theorem 16 we get

COROLLARY 17.

$$\tilde{\chi}_\Phi = (-1)^n \varrho_W.$$

PROOF. Since W is finite and acts freely on R , it is well known that $\tilde{\chi}_\Phi = k\varrho_W$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then to compute k we just have to look at $\tilde{\chi}_\Phi(1_W) = \chi_\Phi$. \square

Finally, we give a formula for $P_\Phi(q)$ that, together with the above mentioned results in [23], allows its explicit computation.

THEOREM 18.

$$P_\Phi(q) = \sum_{d=0}^n (q+1)^d q^{n-d} \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d} n_\Theta^{-1} |W^\Theta|.$$

PROOF. By formula (8) we can restate Theorem 14 as

$$P_\Phi(q) = \sum_{d=0}^n (q+1)^d q^{n-d} \sum_{\Theta \in \mathcal{K}_d} \sum_{U \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi} \mathcal{B}(\Theta_U).$$

Moreover, by Theorem 11 and Corollary 12 we get

$$\sum_{U \in \mathcal{C}_\Theta^\Phi} \mathcal{B}(\Theta_U) = n_\Theta^{-1} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)} \mathcal{B}(\Theta(t)).$$

Finally, the claim follows from formula (9) and Theorem 16 applied to Θ :

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Theta)} \mathcal{B}(\Theta(t)) = (-1)^d \chi_\Theta = |W^\Theta|. \quad \square$$

4.2. *Examples*

CASE F_4 . In Section 3.3 we have given the list of all possible types of complete subsystems, together with their multiplicities. So we just have to compute the coefficient $n_{\Theta}^{-1}|W^{\Theta}|$ for each type. This is equal to:

- 1 for types 1, 2 and 3,
- 2 for types 4 and 8,
- 4 for type 5,
- 24 for types 6 and 7,
- 1152 for type 9.

Thus

$$P_{\Phi}(q) = 2153q^4 + 1260q^3 + 286q^2 + 28q + 1.$$

CASE A_{n-1} . By Section 3.3, $n_{\Theta}^{-1} = g_{\lambda}/\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_k$ and $|W^{\Theta}| = \lambda_1! \dots \lambda_k!$. Hence by Theorem 17,

$$P_{\Phi}(q) = \sum_{d=0}^n (q+1)^d q^{n-d} \sum_{|\lambda|=d+1} n! b_{\lambda}^{-1} g_{\lambda} (\lambda_1 - 1)! \dots (\lambda_k - 1)!.$$

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