

# Affine permutation groups

Type  $\tilde{A}_{n-1}$ :  $n \geq 2$ , let  $\tilde{S}_n =$  bijections  $\sigma: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  
 $\sigma(i+n) = \sigma(i) + n \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma(i) = \binom{n+1}{2}$

"window notation"  $[\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n)]$

$\Rightarrow \sigma$  induces bijection on  $\mathbb{Z}/n$

Lemma:  $\tilde{S}_n$  is a group under composition

$\hookrightarrow$  affine symmetric group

Let  $L = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n \mid x_1 + \dots + x_n = 0\}$ , coroot lattice for  $\tilde{S}_n$

For  $x \in L$ , let  $t_x \in \tilde{S}_n$  be defined by  $t_x(i) = i + x_i n$   
for  $i=1, \dots, n$

Extend notation so that  $x_i$  means  $x_{i'}$  where  $i' \in [n]$  is the coset representative for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}/n$ .

$\Rightarrow t_x(i) = i + x_i n \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Then  $t_x t_y = t_{x+y}$  and  $t_x^{-1} = t_{-x}$ . Let  $T_L = \{t_x \mid x \in L\}$

We have surjection  $\pi: \tilde{S}_n \rightarrow \tilde{S}_n$  by considering bijection mod  $n$

$\sigma \in \ker \pi \Leftrightarrow \sigma(i) \equiv i \pmod{n}$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$

$\Leftrightarrow \sigma(i) = i + x_i n$  for  $x \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  s.t.  $x_1 + \dots + x_n = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow \sigma \in T_L$

$\Rightarrow \ker \pi = T_L$

We have injection  $\tilde{S}_n \rightarrow \tilde{S}_n$  where for  $\sigma \in \tilde{S}_n$ , window notation is  $[\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n)]$

$\Rightarrow$  we have right coset representatives  $\{T_L w \mid w \in \tilde{S}_n\}$

for  $\tilde{S}_n/T_L$ , so every element is uniquely of the form

$t_x w$  for  $x \in L, w \in \tilde{S}_n$ .

Prop. We have isomorphism  $W_a \xrightarrow{\cong} \tilde{G}_n$  where  $W_a$  is affine Weyl group of type  $\tilde{A}_{n-1}$ . sit.  $t_x w \rightarrow t_x w$ .

Can make more explicit: for  $i=1, \dots, n-1$ ,

$$s_i = [1, \dots, i+1, i, \dots, n]$$

$$s_0 = [0, 2, 3, \dots, n-1, n+1]$$

Prop. For all  $w \in \tilde{G}_n$ ,  $l(w) = \sum_{\{1 \leq i < j \leq n\}} \left\lfloor \frac{w(j) - w(i)}{n} \right\rfloor$ .

Type  $\tilde{C}_n$ : For  $n \geq 2$ ,  $N = 2n+1$ .

$$\tilde{G}_n^C = \left\{ \sigma: \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z} \mid \begin{array}{l} \sigma(i+N) = \sigma(i) + N \\ \sigma(i) = -\sigma(-i) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\subseteq \tilde{G}_N$$

Let  $L^\vee = \{(x_{-n}, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^N \mid x_{-i} = -x_i\} \cong \mathbb{Z}^n$

For  $x \in L^\vee$ , define  $t_x(l_i) = i + x_i N$  for  $i = -n, \dots, n$ .

Set  $T_{L^\vee} = \{t_x \mid x \in L^\vee\} \subset \tilde{G}_n^C$

Let  $W = W(B_n)$ , thought of as permutations  $\sigma$  of  $[-n, n]$   
sit.  $\sigma(-i) = -\sigma(i)$

Get surjection  $\pi: \tilde{G}_n^C \rightarrow W(B_n)$  by considering induced bijection modulo  $N$  (w/ reps  $[-n, n]$ )

As before,  $\ker \pi = T_{L^\vee}$ , and  $\tilde{G}_n^C \cong T_{L^\vee} \rtimes W(B_n)$

Recall, type  $C_n$  root system consists of vectors  $\pm e_i \pm e_j$  and  $\pm 2e_i$  where  $i, j \leq n \Rightarrow$  coroot lattice is  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  w/ usual

action of  $W(B_n)$  by signed permutations.

Prop.  $\tilde{G}_n^C$  is affine Weyl group of type  $\tilde{C}_n$ .

Type  $\tilde{B}_n$ . Type  $B_n$  root system consists of vectors  $\pm e_i, \pm e_j$  and  $\pm e_i$  for  $i, j \leq n$

Coroot lattice is  $\{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n \mid x_1 + \dots + x_n \text{ even}\}$  w/ induced action of  $W$

For  $\sigma \in \tilde{G}_n^C$  and integers  $i, j$  define

$$\sigma[i, j] = \#\{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a \leq i, \sigma(a) \geq j\}$$

Define  $\tilde{G}_n^B = \{\sigma \in \tilde{G}_n^C \mid \sigma[n, n+1] \text{ is even}\}$ .

Lemma. For  $\sigma \in \tilde{G}_n^C$ , have

$$\sigma[n, n+1] = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\lfloor \frac{(\sigma(i)) + n}{N} \right\rfloor.$$

If  $\sigma \in W(B_n)$ , then  $\sigma[n, n+1] = 0$ , so  $W(B_n) \subseteq \tilde{G}_n^B$ .

If  $\sigma \in \tilde{G}_n^C$  is  $t_x$  for  $x = (x_{-n}, \dots, x_n)$ , then

$$\sigma[n, n+1] = x_1 + \dots + x_n$$

Prop.  $\tilde{G}_n^B$  is affine Weyl group of  $\tilde{B}_n$ .

Type  $\tilde{D}_n$ . Coroot lattice for  $D_n$  is same as for  $B_n$  but  $W(D_n)$  is subgroup of  $W(B_n)$  s.t. # of negative signs is even.

Define  $\tilde{G}_n^D = \{\sigma \in \tilde{G}_n^B \mid \sigma[0, 1] \text{ even}\}$ .

Lemma. For  $\sigma \in \tilde{S}_n^c$ ,  $\sigma[0,1] = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\lfloor \frac{|\sigma(i)|}{N} \right\rfloor + \#\{i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n, \sigma(i) < 0\}$

If  $\sigma \in W(B_n)$  then  $\sigma[0,1] = \# \text{negative signs in } \sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n)$

$$\Rightarrow W(B_n) \cap \tilde{S}_n^D = W(D_n)$$

If  $\sigma = t_x$ , then  $\sigma[0,1] = x_1 + \dots + x_n$  (already even)

$$(\sigma(i) = i + x_i N)$$

Prop.  $\tilde{S}_n^D$  is affine Weyl group of type  $\tilde{D}_n$ .