

## Examples of four dimensional cusp singularities

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**Abstract.** We give some examples of four dimensional cusp singularities which are not of Hilbert modular type. We construct them, using quadratic cones and subgroups of reflection groups.

### Introduction.

In [8], we showed that an  $r$ -dimensional cusp singularity  $\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma)$  is obtained from a pair  $(C, \Gamma)$  of an open cone  $C$  in  $\mathbf{R}^r$  and a subgroup  $\Gamma$  of  $GL(r, \mathbf{Z})$  satisfying the following three conditions, where  $r$  is an integer greater than 1.

1.  $C$  is strongly convex, i.e.,  $\overline{xy} \subset C$  for any  $x, y \in C$  and  $\overline{C} \cap \overline{-C} = \{0\}$ .
2.  $C$  is  $\Gamma$ -invariant, i.e.,  $\gamma C = C$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .
3.  $\Gamma$  acts on  $D_C := C/\mathbf{R}_{>0}$  properly discontinuously, freely and  $D_C/\Gamma$  is compact.

$\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma)$  is obtained by adding a point to the quotient of the tube domain  $\mathbf{R}^r + \sqrt{-1}C$  under the action of the semidirect product of  $\mathbf{Z}^r$  and  $\Gamma$ . In the 2-dimensional case,  $\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma)$  is nothing but a Hilbert modular cusp singularity. Hilbert modular cusp singularities exist in all dimensions greater than 1, where  $C$  is the interior of a simplicial cone and  $D_C/\Gamma$  is a real torus. It is also known that there exist other higher dimensional cusp singularities of arithmetic type (see [6] and [7, Section 3], for instance). We gave in [8] some 3-dimensional explicit examples of  $(C, \Gamma)$  such that  $D_C/\Gamma$  are not real tori. In 1991, Ishida [3] gave explicit 4-dimensional examples. Until quite recently no other 4-dimensional explicit examples seem to be found. On the other hand, Vinberg [10] gave a way to obtain a subgroup  $\Gamma$  of  $GL(r, \mathbf{R})$  acting properly discontinuously on a strongly convex open cone  $C$  in  $\mathbf{R}^r$ . Here  $\Gamma$  is generated by reflections with respect to the hyperplanes containing the  $(r - 1)$ -dimensional faces of a polyhedral cone satisfying certain conditions. Moreover, he gave a simple necessary and sufficient condition for the cone  $C$  to be quadratic, i.e., defined by a quadratic polynomial. In this paper, using the results in [10], we give some explicit examples of 4-dimensional pairs  $(C, \Gamma)$  such that  $\Gamma$  are subgroups of reflection groups.

In Section 1, we show that for any open strongly convex cone  $C$  in  $\mathbf{R}^r$ , any subgroup of  $GL(r, \mathbf{Z})$  preserving  $C$ , acts on  $D_C$  properly discontinuously. In Section 2, we show that if a quadratic polynomial  $P$  defines a cone  $C$  in  $\mathbf{R}^r$  and there exists a subgroup  $\Gamma$  of  $GL(r, \mathbf{Z})$  satisfying the above conditions, then all coefficients of  $P$  may be assumed to be

integers and  $P(x) \neq 0$  for any point  $x$  in  $\mathbf{Z}^r \setminus \{0\}$ . In Section 3, we show that if a quadratic cone  $C$  contains a rational polyhedral cone satisfying certain conditions, then there exists a reflection group  $\Gamma$  contained in  $GL(r, \mathbf{Z})$  and acting on  $C$  with compact  $D_C/\Gamma$ . In Section 4, we study the structure of exceptional sets of resolutions of  $\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma)$  for pairs  $(C, \Gamma)$  such that  $\Gamma$  is a subgroup of a reflection group. Finally, we give three 4-dimensional examples of pairs  $(C, \Gamma)$  with quadratic  $C$ , and one with non-quadratic  $C$  and a resolution of  $\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma)$  whose exceptional set consists of 4 irreducible components.

**1. Groups acting on cones.**

Let  $N$  be a free  $\mathbf{Z}$ -module of rank  $r > 1$ , let  $M = \text{Hom}(N, \mathbf{Z})$  and let  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : M \times N \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$  be the natural pairing. For an open cone  $C$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}} = N \otimes \mathbf{R}$ , let  $D_C = C/\mathbf{R}_{>0}$  and let  $p_C : C \rightarrow D_C$  be the natural projection.

DEFINITION.  $\Gamma_C = \{\gamma \in GL(N) \mid \gamma C = C\}$  for an open cone  $C$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$ .

Let  $C^* = \{x \in M_{\mathbf{R}} \mid \langle x, y \rangle > 0 \text{ for } y \in \overline{C} \setminus \{0\}\}$ . If  $C$  is an open strongly convex cone in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$ , then  $\Gamma_{C^*} = \{{}^t\gamma \mid \gamma \in \Gamma_C\}$ , where  ${}^t\gamma$  is the element in  $GL(M)$  satisfying  $\langle {}^t\gamma x, y \rangle = \langle x, \gamma y \rangle$  for any elements  $x$  and  $y$  in  $M$  and  $N$ , respectively.

THEOREM 1. *If  $C$  is an open strongly convex cone in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$ , then  $\Gamma_C$  acts on  $D_C$  properly discontinuously, i.e.,  $\{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid \gamma S \cap S \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite for every compact subset  $S$  of  $D_C$ .*

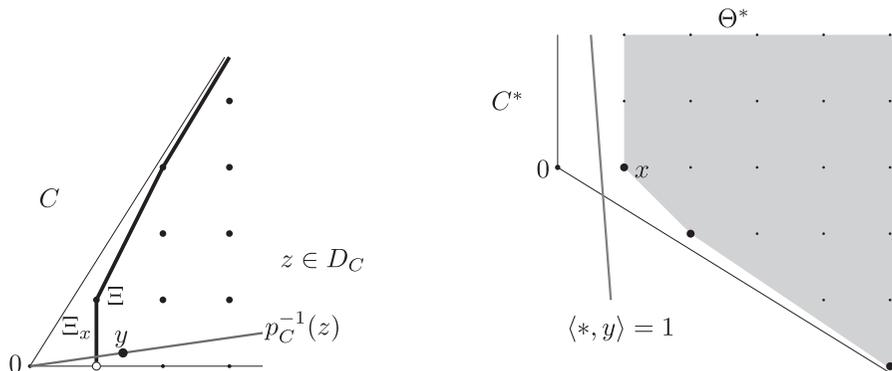


Figure 1.

PROOF. Let  $\Theta^*$  be the convex hull of  $C^* \cap M$  and let  $\Xi$  be the boundary of  $\{y \in C \mid \langle x, y \rangle \geq 1 \text{ for } x \in \Theta^*\}$ . Then the restriction  $p_{C|\Xi} : \Xi \rightarrow D_C$  of  $p_C$  to  $\Xi$  is a homeomorphism (see Figure 1). Let  $\Xi_x = \{y \in \Xi \mid \langle x, y \rangle = 1\}$  for each element  $x$  in  $C^* \cap M$ . Then  $\Xi_x$  is closed in  $\Xi$ . Let  $L$  be the set of vertices on  $\Theta^*$ . Then  $L$  is contained in  $M$  and  $\Xi = \bigcup_{x \in L} \Xi_x$ . For any point  $y$  in  $\Xi$ ,  $\{x \in L \mid y \in \Xi_x\} \subset \{x \in C^* \cap M \mid \langle x, y \rangle = 1\}$  is finite.

Let  $S$  be a compact subset of  $D_C$ . Then  $L_0 = \{x \in L \mid S \cap p_C(\Xi_x) \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite. If  $\gamma S \cap S \neq \emptyset$  for an element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ , then there exist elements  $x_1, x_2$  in  $L_0$  with  ${}^t\gamma x_1 = x_2$ .

On the other hand,  $K = \{y \in C \cap N \mid \langle x_1, y \rangle = c\}$  contains linearly independent  $r$  elements for a positive integer  $c$ . Then  $\{\gamma \in \Gamma_C \mid {}^t\gamma x_1 = x_1\} \subset \{\gamma \in \Gamma_C \mid \gamma K = K\}$  is a finite set. Hence  $\{\gamma \in \Gamma_C \mid {}^t\gamma x_1 = x_2\}$  is also finite for any elements  $x_1, x_2$  in  $L_0$ . Therefore,  $\{\gamma \in \Gamma_C \mid \gamma S \cap S \neq \emptyset\}$  is finite.  $\square$

For an open strongly convex cone  $C$  with compact  $D_C/\Gamma_C$ , there exists a normal subgroup  $\Gamma$  of  $\Gamma_C$  with a finite index acting on  $D_C$  freely. For example, we obtain such a group as the intersection with the kernel of  $SL(N) \rightarrow SL(N/nN)$  for a suitable positive integer  $n$ .

**2. Quadratic cones.**

We fix a coordinate  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_r)$  of  $N$  throughout the rest of this paper. For a homogeneous polynomial  $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_r)$  of  $r$  variables, we denote by  $C_P$  the open cone defined by

$$\{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r) \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r) > 0\}.$$

DEFINITION. We call a cone  $C$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  quadratic, if there exists a homogeneous quadratic polynomial  $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_r)$  such that  $C$  is a connected component of  $C_P$ .

If a quadratic cone  $C$  defined by a polynomial  $P$  is strongly convex, then the signature of  $P$  is  $(1, r - 1)$  and  $C \cup (-C) = C_P$ .

THEOREM 2. *Let  $C$  be a quadratic strongly convex cone in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  defined by a polynomial  $P$ . If  $D_C/\Gamma_C$  is compact, then there exists a positive real number  $c$  such that all coefficients of  $cP$  are integers and  $P$  has no isotropic elements in  $N$ , i.e.,  $P(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x$  in  $N \setminus \{0\}$ .*

PROOF. First, we show that there exists a finite set  $K$  contained in  $C \cap N$  such that the convex hull of  $p_C(\Gamma_C K)$  is equal to  $D_C$ . Let  $\Xi$  be the boundary of the convex hull of  $C \cap N$  and let  $J = \Xi \cap N$ . Then the convex hull of  $p_C(J)$  is equal to  $D_C$ . On the other hand,  $J/\Gamma_C$  is finite, because  $D_C/\Gamma_C$  is compact. Hence there exists a finite set  $K$  such that  $\Gamma_C K = J$ .

Let  $x$  be an element in  $K$ . We may assume that  $P(x) = 1$ , multiplying  $P$  by a positive number. Then  $P(\gamma x) = 1$  for any element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ . Hence all coefficients of  $P$  are rational, by the following lemma.

LEMMA. *There exist  $m = r(r + 1)/2$  elements  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_m$  in  $\Gamma_C$  and an element  $x$  in  $K$  such that  $f(\gamma_1 x), f(\gamma_2 x), \dots, f(\gamma_m x)$  are linearly independent, where  $f : N \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}^m$  is the map sending  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r)$  to  $(x_1^2, \dots, x_r^2, x_1 x_2, \dots, x_{r-1} x_r)$ .*

PROOF. Suppose that  $f(\gamma_1 x), f(\gamma_2 x), \dots, f(\gamma_m x)$  are linearly dependent for any element  $x$  in  $K$  and any  $m$  elements  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_m$  in  $\Gamma_C$ . Then  $f(\Gamma_C x)$  is contained in an  $(m - 1)$ -dimensional linear subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . It implies that there exists a homogeneous quadratic polynomial  $Q_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r)$  such that  $Q_x(\gamma x) = 0$  for all  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ . Since  $K$  is finite, there exists a point  $x_0$  on  $\partial C \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $Q_x(x_0) \neq 0$  for all  $x$  in  $K$ . Then there

exists a non-zero element  $y_0$  in  $M_{\mathbf{R}}$  such that  $\langle y_0, x_0 \rangle < 0$  and that  $\langle y_0, \gamma x \rangle > 0$  for all  $x$  in  $K$  and for all  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ , because there exists a hyperplane  $H$  with  $H \cap \partial C = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}x_0$ . Hence  $D_C$  is not equal to the convex hull of  $p_C(\Gamma_C K)$ , a contradiction.

Next, suppose that  $P(y_0) = 0$  for an element  $y_0$  in  $N \setminus \{0\}$ . We may assume that  $y_0$  is primitive and that  $y_0 \in \partial C$ . Let  $x_0$  be a vertex on the boundary of the convex hull of  $\{x \in C^* \cap M \mid \langle x, y_0 \rangle = 1\}$ , which is not empty. Then  $x_0 \in M$  and  $y_0 \in \overline{\Theta_{x_0}}$ , where

$$\Theta_{x_0} = \{y \in C \mid \langle x_0, y \rangle = 1, \langle x, y \rangle \geq 1 \text{ for } x \in C^* \cap M\}.$$

Since  $\overline{\Theta_{x_0}}$  is compact,  $\Theta_{x_0} \cap N$  is a finite set. Hence  $\Gamma_0 = \{\gamma \in \Gamma_C \mid \gamma \Theta_{x_0} = \Theta_{x_0}\}$  is a finite group. Therefore,  $p_C(\Theta_{x_0})/\Gamma_0$  is not compact. However,  $p_C(\Theta_{x_0})$  is closed in  $D_C$ . It implies that  $D_C/\Gamma_C$  is not compact. □

In the 2-dimensional case, the converse of the above theorem holds, because  $C = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}v_1 + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}v_2$  for two eigenvectors  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}} \setminus N_{\mathbf{Q}}$  of an element in  $SL(N)$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.** *An open strongly convex cone  $C$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  with compact  $D_C/\Gamma_C$ , is quadratic, if and only if there exists a homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$  such that  $f_{\mathbf{R}}(C) = C^*$  and that  $f \circ \gamma = {}^t\gamma^{-1} \circ f$  for any element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ .*

**PROOF.** Assume that  $C$  is quadratic, i.e., there exists a regular symmetric matrix  $A$  of index  $(1, r - 1)$  such that  $C$  is a connected component of  $\{x \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid {}^t xAx > 0\}$ . We may assume that all entries of  $A$  are integers, by Theorem 2. Let  $f : N \rightarrow M$  be the homomorphism satisfying  $\langle f(y), x \rangle = {}^t yAx$ . Since the index of  $A$  is  $(1, r - 1)$ ,

$$\{y \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid {}^t yAx > 0 \text{ for } x \in \overline{C} \setminus \{0\}\} = C.$$

Therefore,  $f_{\mathbf{R}}(C) = C^*$ . Let  $\gamma$  be any element in  $\Gamma_C$ . Then  ${}^t \gamma A \gamma = A$ . Hence

$$\langle f(\gamma y), x \rangle = {}^t (\gamma y)Ax = {}^t y {}^t \gamma Ax = {}^t y A \gamma^{-1} x = \langle f(y), \gamma^{-1} x \rangle = \langle {}^t \gamma^{-1} f(y), x \rangle.$$

Therefore,  $f \circ \gamma = {}^t \gamma^{-1} \circ f$ .

Conversely, assume that there exists a homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$  as in the proposition. We define a symmetric bilinear form on  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  by  $x \cdot y = \langle f_{\mathbf{R}}(x), y \rangle + \langle f_{\mathbf{R}}(y), x \rangle$ . Then there exists a symmetric and integer matrix  $A$  with  $x \cdot y = {}^t xAy$ . For any element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ ,  $\gamma x \cdot \gamma y = x \cdot y$ , because  $\langle f_{\mathbf{R}}(\gamma x), \gamma y \rangle = \langle {}^t \gamma^{-1} f_{\mathbf{R}}(x), \gamma y \rangle = \langle f_{\mathbf{R}}(x), y \rangle$ . Since  $f_{\mathbf{R}}(C) = C^*$ ,  $x \cdot y > 0$  for any points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $C$ . Hence  $x \cdot x \geq 0$  for any point  $x$  on  $\partial C$ , because the function  $N_{\mathbf{R}} \ni x \mapsto x \cdot x \in \mathbf{R}$  is continuous. Let  $\Theta$  be the convex hull of  $C \cap N$ . Since  $\partial \Theta/\Gamma_C$  is compact,  $\{x \cdot x \mid x \in \partial \Theta\}$  has the maximal value  $d$ . Let  $S_d = \{x \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid x \cdot x = d\}$ . Then  $S_d \cap C \subset \Theta$ . Since  $\Theta$  is closed and  $\Theta \cap \partial C = \emptyset$ ,  $S_d \cap \partial C = \emptyset$ . Hence  $x \cdot x = 0$  for any point  $x$  on  $\partial C$ . Therefore,  $C$  is a connected component of  $\{x \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid x \cdot x > 0\}$ . □

The above proposition can be applied to decide whether the cone  $C$  is quadratic for a pair  $(C, \Gamma)$  satisfying the conditions 1, 2 and 3 in Introduction. We give an example. Let  $r = 3$ . Let  $S$  be the surface and  $\Delta$  be its triangulation obtained from the hexagon in Figure 2, identifying the edges  $\overline{v_1 v_2}$ ,  $\overline{v_3 v_4}$  and  $\overline{v_5 v_6}$  with  $\overline{v_2 v_3}$ ,  $\overline{v_4 v_5}$  and  $\overline{v_6 v_1}$ , respectively.

Then  $\chi(S) = -1$  and the double  $\mathbf{Z}$ -weight on  $\Delta$  as in Figure 2 satisfies the monodromy condition and the convexity condition (see [8, Definitions 1.3 and 1.5]). Hence we obtain a map  $\sigma : \{\text{all vertices of } \tilde{\Delta}\} \rightarrow N$  and a homomorphism  $\rho : \pi_1(S) \rightarrow GL(N)$  such that  $\sigma(\gamma v) = \rho(\gamma)\sigma(v)$  for all vertices  $v$  of  $\tilde{\Delta}$  and all elements  $\gamma$  in  $\pi_1(S)$  by [8], where  $\tilde{\Delta}$  is the pull-back of  $\Delta$  under the universal covering  $\varpi : \tilde{S} \rightarrow S$ . Let  $C = \mathbf{R}_{>0}\Theta$ , where  $\Theta$  is the convex hull of the image of  $\sigma$ , and let  $\Gamma = \rho(\pi_1(S))$ . Then the pair  $(C, \Gamma)$  satisfies the conditions 1, 2 and 3 in Introduction. There exist vertices  $\tilde{v}_1, \tilde{v}_2, \dots, \tilde{v}_6$  of  $\tilde{\Delta}$  with  $\varpi(\tilde{v}_i) = v_i$  such that  $\overline{\tilde{v}_1\tilde{v}_2\tilde{v}_3}, \overline{\tilde{v}_3\tilde{v}_4\tilde{v}_5}, \overline{\tilde{v}_5\tilde{v}_6\tilde{v}_1}$  and  $\overline{\tilde{v}_1\tilde{v}_3\tilde{v}_5}$  are triangles of  $\tilde{\Delta}$ . Here we may assume that  $\sigma(\tilde{v}_1) = \mathbf{e}_1, \sigma(\tilde{v}_3) = \mathbf{e}_2$  and  $\sigma(\tilde{v}_5) = \mathbf{e}_3$ , where  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$  is a basis of  $N$ . Let  $\mathbf{f}_i = \sigma(\tilde{v}_{2i})(= 2\mathbf{e}_i + 2\mathbf{e}_{i+1} - \mathbf{e}_{i+2})$  for each  $i$  in  $\mathbf{Z}/3\mathbf{Z}$ . Let  $\Sigma = \{\gamma\tau \mid \gamma \in \Gamma, \tau \prec \mu_i, i = 0, 1, 2, 3\}$ , where  $\mu_0 = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_3$  and  $\mu_i = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_i + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_{i+1} + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{f}_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . Then  $\Sigma$  is a non-singular fan with  $|\Sigma| \setminus \{0\} = C$  and  $\Gamma$  acts on the set of 1-dimensional cones in  $\Sigma$  transitively, because  $\Delta$  has only one vertex. Hence we have a resolution of  $\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma)$  whose exceptional set is irreducible.

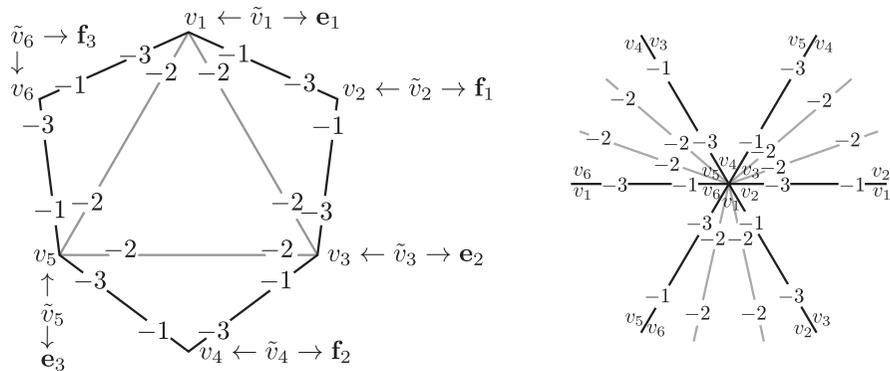


Figure 2.

PROPOSITION 4. *The above cone  $C$  is not quadratic.*

PROOF. Let  $\gamma_i$  be the elements in  $GL(N)$  sending  $\mathbf{e}_i, \mathbf{f}_i$  and  $\mathbf{e}_{i+1}$  to  $\mathbf{f}_i, \mathbf{e}_{i+1}$  and  $\mathbf{f}_i + 3\mathbf{e}_{i+1} - \mathbf{e}_i$ , respectively for all  $i$  in  $\mathbf{Z}/3\mathbf{Z}$ . Then  $\gamma_i$  are in  $\Gamma_C$ . We easily see that also in  $\Gamma_C$  the element sending  $\mathbf{e}_i$  to  $\mathbf{e}_{i+1}$ , which we denote by  $\delta$ . Let  $\mathbf{e}_0 = \mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3$  and  $\mathbf{e}_0^* = \mathbf{e}_1^* + \mathbf{e}_2^* + \mathbf{e}_3^*$ , where  $\{\mathbf{e}_1^*, \mathbf{e}_2^*, \mathbf{e}_3^*\}$  is the basis of  $M$  dual to  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ . Then  $\delta\mathbf{e}_0 = \mathbf{e}_0$  and  ${}^t\delta\mathbf{e}_0^* = \mathbf{e}_0^*$ . Suppose that there exists an injective homomorphism  $f : N \rightarrow M$  satisfying  $f \circ \gamma = {}^t\gamma^{-1} \circ f$  for any element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ . Then  $f(\mathbf{e}_0) = c\mathbf{e}_0^*$  for a non-zero integer  $c$ , because any fixed point of  ${}^t\delta^{-1}$  is on  $\mathbf{R}\mathbf{e}_0^*$ . We see by an easy calculation that  $\gamma_i\mathbf{e}_0 = 9\mathbf{e}_i + 20\mathbf{e}_{i+1} - 6\mathbf{e}_{i+2}$  and  ${}^t\gamma_i^{-1}\mathbf{e}_0^* = 9\mathbf{e}_i^* + 3\mathbf{e}_{i+1}^* + 23\mathbf{e}_{i+2}^*$ . Hence  $\gamma_1\mathbf{e}_0 + \gamma_2\mathbf{e}_0 + \gamma_3\mathbf{e}_0 = 23\mathbf{e}_0$  and  ${}^t\gamma_1^{-1}\mathbf{e}_0^* + {}^t\gamma_2^{-1}\mathbf{e}_0^* + {}^t\gamma_3^{-1}\mathbf{e}_0^* = 35\mathbf{e}_0^*$ . It implies  $c = 0$ . Hence  $C$  is not quadratic, by Proposition 3.  $\square$

### 3. Reflections.

Let  $P$  be a quadratic homogeneous polynomial of  $r$  variables with the signature  $(1, r - 1)$ , and let  $C$  be a connected component of  $C_P$ . Then  $C$  is strongly convex and  $C_P = C \cup (-C)$ . We assume that all coefficients of  $P$  are integers with no common divisors greater than 1, throughout this section. Let  $B_P : N \times N \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$  be the symmetric bilinear form with  $B_P(x, x) = 2P(x)$ .

DEFINITION.  $x \cdot y = B_P(x, y)$  for elements  $x, y \in N_{\mathbf{R}}$ .

We easily see that  $\gamma x \cdot \gamma y = x \cdot y$  for any element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ . For an element  $v$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  with  $v \cdot v \neq 0$ , we define a linear transformation  $\gamma_v$  and a hyperplane  $H_v$  of  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  as follows:

$$\gamma_v : x \mapsto x - 2 \frac{x \cdot v}{v \cdot v} v, \quad H_v = \{x \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid x \cdot v = 0\}.$$

We see by easy calculation that  $\gamma_v^2 = \text{id}$ ,  $\gamma_v v = -v$ ,  $\gamma_v x = x$  for any  $x$  in  $H_v$  and  $\gamma_v x \cdot \gamma_v y = x \cdot y$  for any  $x, y$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$ . Hence  $\gamma_v C = C$  or  $-C$ . If  $v \cdot v < 0$ , then  $\gamma_v C = C$ , because  $C \cap H_v \neq \emptyset$ . Hence we have:

PROPOSITION 5. *If  $v$  is an element in  $N$  with  $v \cdot v < 0$  and  $2(\mathbf{e}_i \cdot v/v \cdot v) \in \mathbf{Z}$  for each fundamental vector  $\mathbf{e}_i$ , then  $\gamma_v$  is in  $\Gamma_C$ .*

Any element  $v$  in  $N$  with  $v \cdot v = -2$  satisfies the assumption of the above proposition. Let  $F_\gamma = \{x \in C \mid \gamma x = x\}$  for an element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma_C$ .

PROPOSITION 6. *Let  $\gamma$  be an element in  $\Gamma_C$  with  $F_\gamma \neq \emptyset$  and  $\dim F_\gamma = r - 1$ . Then there exists an element  $v$  in  $N$  with  $\gamma = \gamma_v$ .*

PROOF.  $r - 1$  of the eigenvalues of  $\gamma$  are equal to 1. The other is equal to  $-1$  and  $\gamma^2 = 1$ , by Theorem 1. Hence there exists a non-zero element  $v$  in  $N$  with  $\gamma v = -v$ . For any element  $x$  in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$ , there exists a real number  $c_x$  with  $x - \gamma x = c_x v$ , because  $\gamma(x - \gamma x) = -(x - \gamma x)$ . On the other hand,  $\gamma x \cdot v = x \cdot \gamma v$ , because  $\gamma^2 = 1$ . Hence  $(x - \gamma x) \cdot v = 2x \cdot v$ . Therefore,  $c_x = 2(x \cdot v/v \cdot v)$ . □

Here we note that an eigenvector  $h$  of  $\gamma_v$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $-1$  and the linear function  $\alpha$  on  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  with  $\alpha(h) = 2$  and vanishing on  $H_v$  in [10], are nothing but  $v$  and the function  $\alpha(x) = 2v \cdot x/v \cdot v$ , respectively.

PROPOSITION 7. *Let  $v$  and  $w$  be elements in  $N$  with  $v \cdot v < 0$  and  $w \cdot w < 0$ . If  $v \cdot w/(\sqrt{-v \cdot v}\sqrt{-w \cdot w}) = 0, 1/2, 1/\sqrt{2}$  or  $\sqrt{3}/2$ , then  $|\gamma_v \gamma_w| = 2, 3, 4$  or  $6$ , respectively, and  $\lambda = \{y \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid v \cdot y \geq 0, w \cdot y \geq 0\}$  is a fundamental domain of the action of  $\langle \gamma_v, \gamma_w \rangle$  on  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$ .*

PROOF. We may assume that  $v \cdot v = w \cdot w = -1$  replacing  $v$  and  $w$  with  $v/\sqrt{-v \cdot v}$  and  $w/\sqrt{-w \cdot w}$ , respectively. Assume that  $v \cdot w = \sqrt{3}/2$ . Then  $\gamma_v \gamma_w$  sends  $v$  and  $w$  to  $2v + \sqrt{3}w$  and  $-\sqrt{3}v - w$ , respectively. Hence  $|\gamma_v \gamma_w| = 6$ . Moreover,

$$\lambda = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}(-2v - \sqrt{3}w) + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}(-\sqrt{3}v - 2w) + \{y \in N_{\mathbf{R}} \mid v \cdot y = w \cdot y = 0\}.$$

We see by easy calculation that  $r - 2 \leq \dim(\gamma\lambda \cap \lambda) \leq r - 1$  for any  $\gamma$  in  $\langle \gamma_v, \gamma_w \rangle \setminus \{1\}$ . For the other cases, calculation is easier.  $\square$

If  $v \cdot w / (\sqrt{-v \cdot v} \sqrt{-w \cdot w}) = -1/2, -1/\sqrt{2}$  or  $-\sqrt{3}/2$ , then  $|\gamma_v \gamma_w| = 3, 4$  or  $6$ , respectively, however,  $\dim(\gamma_v \gamma_w \gamma_v \lambda \cap \lambda) = r$ . Let  $\sigma$  be an  $r$ -dimensional rational polyhedral cone. For each  $(r - 1)$ -dimensional face  $\tau$  of  $\sigma$ , we denote by  $v(\tau)$  the unique primitive element  $v$  in  $N$  determined by the condition that  $v \cdot y = 0$  for all points  $y$  in  $\tau$  and  $v \cdot y \geq 0$  for all points  $y$  in  $\sigma$ .

**THEOREM 8.** *If there exists an  $r$ -dimensional rational polyhedral cone  $\sigma$  satisfying the following three conditions, then  $p_C(\sigma \setminus \{0\})$  is a fundamental domain of the action of  $\Gamma$  on  $D_C$ ,  $\Sigma = \{\gamma\lambda \mid \gamma \in \Gamma, \lambda \prec \sigma\}$  is a fan and  $|\Sigma| = C \cup \{0\}$ , where  $\Gamma = \langle \gamma_{v(\tau)} \mid \tau \prec \sigma, \dim \tau = n - 1 \rangle$ .*

1.  $\sigma \setminus \{0\} \subset C$ .
2.  $v(\tau) \cdot v(\tau) < 0$  and  $\gamma_{v(\tau)} \in \Gamma_C$  for any  $(r - 1)$ -dimensional face  $\tau$  of  $\sigma$ .
3.  $v(\tau) \cdot v(\mu) / (\sqrt{-v(\tau) \cdot v(\tau)} \sqrt{-v(\mu) \cdot v(\mu)}) = 0, 1/2, 1/\sqrt{2}$  or  $\sqrt{3}/2$  for any  $(r - 1)$ -dimensional faces  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  of  $\sigma$  with  $\dim(\tau \cap \mu) = r - 2$ .

**PROOF.** We can define distance  $\overline{vw}$  on  $S_C = \{v \in C \mid v \cdot v = 1\} \simeq D_C$  by  $\cosh \overline{vw} = v \cdot w$  and angle  $\angle H_v^C H_w^C$  of two hyperplanes  $H_v^C = H_v \cap S_C$  and  $H_w^C = H_w \cap S_C$  on  $S_C$  by  $\cos \angle H_v^C H_w^C = v \cdot w / (\sqrt{-v \cdot v} \sqrt{-w \cdot w})$  for  $v, w \in N_{\mathbf{R}}$  with  $v \cdot v < 0, w \cdot w < 0$ . Then we may regard  $D_C$  as a hyperbolic space and  $(p_C)_{\mathbf{R}}(\sigma \setminus \{0\})$  as a Coxeter polyhedron, by the conditions 2, 3 and Proposition 7. Hence we see by [4, Theorem 7.1.3] that the assertions of the theorem hold.  $\square$

#### 4. Structure of exceptional sets.

We keep the notations and the assumptions in the previous section. Let  $\sigma$  be an  $r$ -dimensional rational polyhedral cone satisfying the conditions of Theorem 8. Let  $W = T_N \text{emb}(\Sigma)$  be the toric variety associated to the fan  $\Sigma$  in Theorem 8. For a cone  $\tau \neq \{0\}$  in  $\Sigma$ , we denote by  $V(\tau)$  the closure of  $\text{orb}(\tau)$  in  $W$ , which is a compact toric variety (see [5, Corollary 1.7]). Let  $\text{ord} : T_N \rightarrow N_{\mathbf{R}}$  be the homomorphism induced by  $-\log | \cdot | : \mathbf{C}^\times \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . Let  $\tilde{U}$  be the interior of the closure of  $\text{ord}^{-1}(C)$  in  $W$  and let  $\tilde{X} = W \setminus T_N$ . Then  $\tilde{U}$  is an open neighborhood of  $\tilde{X}$ . Let  $\Gamma_0$  be a subgroup of  $\Gamma$  with a finite index acting on  $D_C$  freely. Then  $\Gamma_0$  acts on  $\tilde{U}$  freely. Let  $U = \tilde{U}/\Gamma_0$  and let  $X = \tilde{X}/\Gamma_0$ . Then the cusp singularity  $\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma_0)$  is obtained by contracting  $X$  to a point in  $U$  (see [8]).

Let  $\lambda$  be a face of  $\sigma$  with  $1 \leq s := \dim \lambda \leq r - 2$ , and let  $p_\lambda : N \rightarrow N/(\mathbf{R}\lambda \cap N)$  be the natural projection. Let  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_l$  be the  $(r - 1)$ -dimensional faces of  $\sigma$  with  $\lambda \prec \mu_i$  and let  $\Gamma_\lambda = \langle \gamma_{v(\mu_i)} \mid i = 1, \dots, l \rangle$ . Then  $\Gamma_\lambda$  acts on  $N/(\mathbf{R}\lambda \cap N)$ . Let  $\Sigma_\lambda = \{(p_\lambda)_{\mathbf{R}}(\tau) \mid \tau \in \Sigma, \lambda \prec \tau\}$ . Then  $\Sigma_\lambda$  is a  $\Gamma_\lambda$ -invariant fan in  $N/(\mathbf{R}\lambda \cap N)$ . Moreover,  $V(\lambda) \simeq T_{N/(\mathbf{R}\lambda \cap N)} \text{emb}(\Sigma_\lambda)$ , by [5, Corollary 1.7]. Hence  $V(\lambda)$  is non-singular, if and only if so is  $(p_\lambda)_{\mathbf{R}}(\sigma)$ .

Now, assume that  $(p_\lambda)_{\mathbf{R}}(\sigma)$  is non-singular, i.e.,  $(p_\lambda)_{\mathbf{R}}(\sigma) = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}w_1 + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}w_2 + \cdots + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}w_{r-s}$  for a basis  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{r-s}\}$  of  $N/(\mathbf{R}\lambda \cap N)$ . Then there exist elements  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{r-s}$  in  $N \cap \sigma$  with  $w_i = p_\lambda(u_i)$ . Let  $\{u_{r-s+1}, \dots, u_r\}$  be a basis of  $\mathbf{R}\lambda \cap N$ . Then  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$  is a basis of  $N$ . Moreover, so is  $\{u_1, \dots, u_{i-1}, \gamma_{v(\mu_i)}u_i, u_{i+1}, \dots, u_r\}$ , because  $\gamma_{v(\mu_i)}$  is in  $GL(N)$  and  $\gamma_{v(\mu_i)}u_j = u_j$  if  $i \neq j$ . Hence there exist integers  $c_{i,j}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq r-s, 1 \leq j \leq r$ ) with

$$u_i + \gamma_{v(\mu_i)}u_i + c_{i,1}u_1 + \cdots + c_{i,i-1}u_{i-1} + c_{i,i+1}u_{i+1} + \cdots + c_{i,r}u_r = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$w_i + \gamma_{v(\mu_i)}w_i + c_{i,1}w_1 + \cdots + c_{i,i-1}w_{i-1} + c_{i,i+1}w_{i+1} + \cdots + c_{i,r-s}w_{r-s} = 0.$$

These numbers  $c_{i,j}$  determine the structure of  $V(\lambda)$ . Especially, when  $s = r - 3$ , they are nothing but double  $\mathbf{Z}$ -weights in [5, 1.7]. We easily see that  $c_{i,j} \leq 0$ . Moreover,  $|\gamma_{v(\mu_i)}\gamma_{v(\mu_j)}| = +\infty$ , if  $c_{i,j} \leq -2$  and  $c_{j,i} \leq -2$ ,  $c_{i,j} = -1$  and  $c_{j,i} \leq -4$  or  $c_{i,j} = 0$  and  $c_{j,i} \neq 0$ . Hence if  $v(\mu_i) \cdot v(\mu_j) / (\sqrt{-v(\mu_i) \cdot v(\mu_i)} \sqrt{-v(\mu_j) \cdot v(\mu_j)}) = 0, 1/2, 1/\sqrt{2}$  or  $\sqrt{3}/2$ , then  $\{c_{i,j}, c_{j,i}\} = \{0\}, \{-1\}, \{-1, -2\}$  or  $\{-1, -3\}$ , respectively, by Proposition 7.

We explain some examples of  $V(\lambda)$  for the convenience of the next section. First, we consider the case  $s = r - 2$  and  $(p_\lambda)_{\mathbf{R}}(\sigma)$  is non-singular. If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = 0$ , then  $V(\lambda) \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$ . If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = -1$ , then  $V(\lambda) \simeq S_6$ . If  $c_{1,2} = -1$  and  $c_{2,1} = -2$  (resp.  $-3$ ), then  $V(\lambda) \simeq S_8$  (resp.  $S_{12}$ ). Here  $S_i$  are toric surfaces obtained from Coxeter groups as follows (see [2, 5.1] for the definition of Coxeter group). For each  $i = 6, 8, 12$ , let  $G_i$  be a subgroup of  $GL(2, \mathbf{Z})$  generated by two elements  $g_1$  and  $g_{2,i}$  defined by

$$g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_{2,6} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_{2,8} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_{2,12} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $G_i$  are Coxeter groups with  $|G_i| = i$ . Let  $\Lambda_i = \{\text{faces of } g\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}^2 \mid g \in G_i\}$ . Then  $\Lambda_i$  is a non-singular fan for each  $i$ . Let  $S_i = T_{\mathbf{Z}^2} \text{emb}(\Lambda_i)$  be the compact toric surface associated to the fan  $\Lambda_i$ . Then the complement of the algebraic torus in  $S_6$ , is a cycle of 6 rational curves with the self-intersection numbers all equal to  $-1$ . The complement of the algebraic torus in  $S_8$  (resp.  $S_{12}$ ), is a cycle of 8 (resp. 12) rational curves with the self-intersection numbers repeating  $-1, -2$  (resp.  $-1, -3$ ).

Next, we consider the case  $s = r - 3$  and assume that  $(p_\lambda)_{\mathbf{R}}(\sigma)$  is non-singular except the case (7). We denote by  $V_i$  the toric variety  $V(\lambda)$  in (i), which appears in the following sections as an irreducible component of the exceptional set of a resolution of 4-dimensional cusp singularities.

- (1a) If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = 0, c_{1,3} = c_{3,1} = c_{3,2} = -1, c_{2,3} = -2$ , then the complement of the algebraic torus in  $V_{1a}$ , consists of 26 toric surfaces 6, 8 and 12 of which are biholomorphic to  $S_8, S_6$  and  $\mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$ , respectively (see Figure 3). The self-intersection numbers  $(E|_V)^2$  in irreducible components  $V \simeq S_8$  of rational curves  $E = V \cdot W$ , are equal to  $-2$  and  $-1$ , if  $W \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$  and  $S_6$ , respectively.
- (1b) If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = 0, c_{1,3} = c_{3,1} = c_{2,3} = -1, c_{3,2} = -2$ , then the complement of the algebraic torus in  $V_{1b}$ , consists of 26 toric surfaces 6, 8 and 12 of which

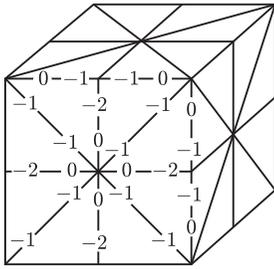


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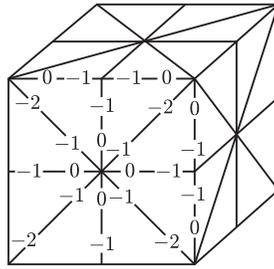


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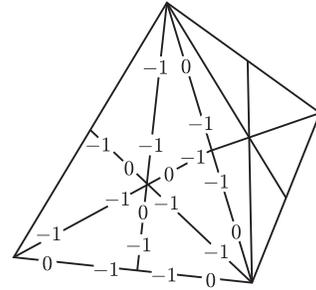


Figure 5.

are biholomorphic to  $S_8$ ,  $S_6$  and  $\mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$ , respectively (see Figure 4). The self-intersection numbers  $(E|_V)^2$  in irreducible components  $V \simeq S_8$  of rational curves  $E = V \cdot W$ , are equal to  $-1$  and  $-2$ , if  $W \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$  and  $S_6$ , respectively.

- (2) If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = 0$ ,  $c_{1,3} = c_{3,1} = c_{3,2} = c_{2,3} = -1$ , then the complement of the algebraic torus in  $V_2$ , consists of 14 toric surfaces 8 and 6 of which are biholomorphic to  $S_6$  and  $\mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$ , respectively (see Figure 5).
- (3) If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = c_{1,3} = c_{3,1} = 0$ ,  $c_{2,3} = c_{3,2} = -1$  then  $V_3 \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times S_6$ .
- (4) If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = c_{1,3} = c_{3,1} = 0$ ,  $c_{2,3} = -1$ ,  $c_{3,2} = -2$  then  $V_4 \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times S_8$ .
- (5) If  $c_{1,2} = c_{2,1} = c_{1,3} = c_{3,1} = 0$ ,  $c_{2,3} = -1$ ,  $c_{3,2} = -3$  then  $V_5 \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times S_{12}$ .
- (6) If  $c_{i,j} = 0$  for all  $i, j$ , then  $V_6 \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$ .
- (7) If  $(p_\lambda)_\mathbf{R}(\sigma)$  is simplicial,  $v(\mu_i) \cdot v(\mu_j) = 0$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$  and  $u_1 = \mathbf{f}_1$ ,  $u_2 = \mathbf{f}_1 + 2\mathbf{f}_2$ ,  $u_3 = \mathbf{f}_3$  for a basis  $\{\mathbf{f}_1, \mathbf{f}_2, \dots, \mathbf{f}_r\}$  of  $N$ , then  $V_7 \simeq \mathbf{P}^1 \times (\mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1 / (-1, -1))$ .

**5. Examples with quadratic  $C$ .**

We fix  $r = 4$ , throughout the rest of this paper.

EXAMPLE 1. Let  $P(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = -x_1^2 - x_2^2 - x_3^2 + 7x_4^2$ . Let  $\sigma$  be the cone generated by the following six elements in  $N$ .

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, u_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, u_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}, u_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $C$  be the connected component of  $C_P$  containing  $u_1$ . Then  $\sigma \setminus \{0\} \subset C$ . Let

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

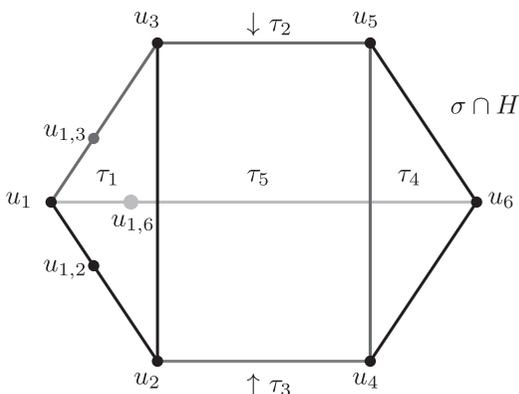


Figure 6.

Then  $\tau_i := \sigma \cap H_{v_i}$  ( $i = 1, \dots, 5$ ) are 3-dimensional faces of  $\sigma$  (see Figure 6 which shows the intersection with a hyperplane  $H$ ). Moreover, we see by Proposition 5 and easy calculation that  $v(\tau_i) = v_i$  satisfy the conditions 2, 3 of Theorem 8. Let  $\Sigma$  be the fan in Theorem 8 defined for this  $\sigma$ . Then  $V(\lambda)$  are singularities in  $T_N \text{emb}(\Sigma)$  for all cones  $\lambda$  in  $\Sigma$  with  $\dim \lambda \geq 2$ . Noting that  $\sigma^\vee$  is spanned by  $i(v_1), i(v_2), \dots, i(v_5)$ , where  $i : N \rightarrow M$  is the homomorphism satisfying  $\langle i(x), y \rangle = B_P(x, y)$ , we see that all 3-dimensional faces of  $\sigma^\vee$  are non-singular. Let  $\lambda = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}u_1$  and let

$$u_{1,2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u_{1,3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u_{1,6} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $\{u_1, u_{1,2}, u_{1,3}, u_{1,6}\}$  is a basis of  $N$  and  $(p_\lambda)\mathbf{R}(\sigma) = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}p_\lambda(u_{1,2}) + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}p_\lambda(u_{1,3}) + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}p_\lambda(u_{1,6})$ . Moreover, we see by easy calculation that the relations  $u_{1,2} + \gamma_{v_2}u_{1,2} - u_{1,3} - u_{1,6} = 0$ ,  $u_{1,3} + \gamma_{v_3}u_{1,3} - 2u_{1,2} = 0$  and  $u_{1,6} + \gamma_{v_1}u_{1,6} - u_1 - u_{1,2} = 0$  hold. Hence  $V(\lambda)$  is biholomorphic to  $V_{1a}$  in the previous section. Since  $v_1 \cdot v_3 = v_1 \cdot v_5 = 0$ ,  $v_3 \cdot v_5 = 1$ ,  $v_3 \cdot v_3 = -1$  and  $v_5 \cdot v_5 = -2$ ,  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}u_2)$  is biholomorphic to  $V_4$ . We see by similar calculation that  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}u_i)$  are biholomorphic to  $V_2, V_{1a}, V_2$  and  $V_4$  for  $i = 3, 4, 5$  and 6, respectively.

EXAMPLE 2. Let  $P(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = -x_1^2 - x_2^2 - x_3^2 + 15x_4^2$ . Then the cone  $\sigma$  defined by  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_6$ , satisfies the conditions of Theorem 8, where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(see Figure 7). We can verify that the divisors corresponding to the vertices attached  $\textcircled{i}$  are biholomorphic to  $V_i$  in the previous section. For example,  $v_2 \cdot v_4 = v_2 \cdot v_6 = v_4 \cdot v_6 = 0$ ,

$(\mathbf{R}w_2 + \mathbf{R}w_i) \cap M = \mathbf{Z}w_2 + \mathbf{Z}w_i$  for  $i = 4, 6$  and  $[(\mathbf{R}w_4 + \mathbf{R}w_6) \cap M : \mathbf{Z}w_4 + \mathbf{Z}w_6] = 2$ , where  $w_i$  ( $i = 2, 4, 6$ ) are the elements in  $M$  satisfying  $\langle w_2, x \rangle = B_P(v_2, x)$ ,  $\langle w_4, x \rangle = (1/5)B_P(v_4, x)$  and  $\langle w_6, x \rangle = B_P(v_6, x)$ . Hence  $V(\tau_2 \cap \tau_4 \cap \tau_6)$  is biholomorphic to  $V_7$ , where  $\tau_i = \sigma \cap H_{v_i}$ .

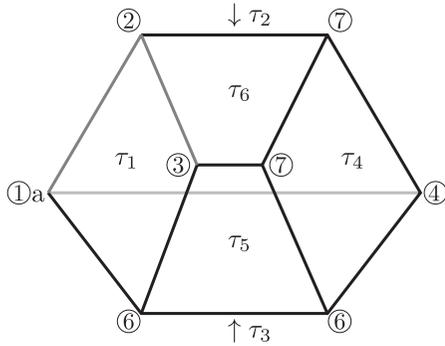


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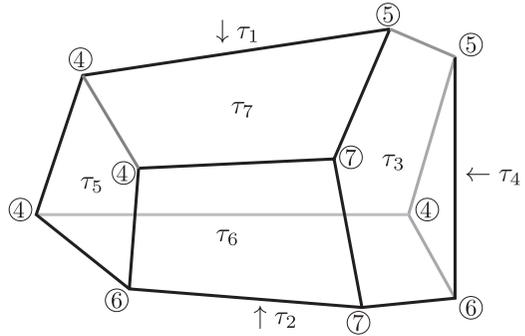


Figure 8.

EXAMPLE 3. Let  $P(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = -3x_1^2 - 3x_2^2 - 5x_3^2 + x_4^2$ . Then the cone  $\sigma$  defined by  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_6$ , where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(see Figure 8).

**6. An example with non-quadratic  $C$ .**

We fix a basis  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$  of  $N$ . Let  $\gamma_i$  be the elements in  $GL(N)$  defined by the following relations for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .  $\gamma_i e_j = e_j$  if  $i \neq j$  and

$$\gamma_1 e_1 = -e_1 + e_2 + 2e_3, \quad \gamma_2 e_2 = e_1 - e_2 + e_4, \quad \gamma_3 e_3 = e_1 - e_3 + e_4, \quad \gamma_4 e_4 = 2e_2 + e_3 - e_4.$$

Then  $\Gamma_6 = \langle \gamma_i \mid i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle$  is a Coxeter group with the relations:  $\gamma_i^2 = 1$  and

$$(*) \quad (\gamma_1 \gamma_2)^3 = (\gamma_3 \gamma_4)^3 = (\gamma_1 \gamma_3)^4 = (\gamma_2 \gamma_4)^4 = (\gamma_1 \gamma_4)^2 = (\gamma_2 \gamma_3)^2 = 1.$$

Hence the Dynkin diagram of  $\Gamma_6$  is Figure 9 (see [2, 2.3] for the definition of Dynkin diagram). Let  $\sigma = \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}e_1 + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}e_2 + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}e_3 + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}e_4$  and let  $\tau_i$  be the 3-dimensional face of  $\sigma$  which does not contain  $e_i$  for each  $i$ . Then  $\gamma_i$  is a reflection with respect to

the hyperplane containing  $\tau_i$ . Moreover, the entries  $a_{ij}$  of the Cartan matrix in [10], are equal to  $-c_{ji}$  if  $i \neq j$ , where  $c_{ji}$  are the coefficients in the above relations  $\gamma_j \mathbf{e}_j = \sum c_{ji} \mathbf{e}_i$ , because  $2\mathbf{e}_j - \sum_{i \neq j} c_{ji} \mathbf{e}_i$  is an eigenvector of  $\gamma_j$  with the eigenvalue  $-1$ . Hence  $a_{14} = a_{41} = a_{23} = a_{32} = 0$ ,  $a_{12} \cdot a_{21} = a_{34} \cdot a_{43} = 1$ ,  $a_{13} \cdot a_{31} = a_{24} \cdot a_{42} = 2$ . Therefore,  $C_6 = \bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma_6} \gamma\sigma \setminus \{0\}$  is an open strongly convex cone in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$  and  $\Sigma_6 = \{\gamma\tau \mid \gamma \in \Gamma_6, \tau \prec \sigma\}$  is a  $\Gamma_6$ -invariant fan with  $|\Sigma_6| = C_6 \cup \{0\}$ , by [10, Theorem 1]. Moreover,  $C_6$  is not quadratic, by [10, Theorem 6]. Since  $\sigma$  is non-singular, so is  $T_N \text{emb}(\Sigma_6)$ . The 3-dimensional toric variety  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i)$  is biholomorphic to  $V_{1a}$  (resp.  $V_{1b}$ ) in Section 4 for  $i = 2, 3$  (resp.  $1, 4$ ). The intersection  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i) \cap V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_j) = V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_j)$  is the toric surface corresponding to the Coxeter group generated by  $\{\gamma_k, \gamma_l\}$  for  $\{k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \setminus \{i, j\}$ . Hence it is biholomorphic to  $\mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$  if  $(i, j) = (2, 3), (1, 4)$ ,  $S_6$  if  $(i, j) = (3, 4), (1, 2)$  and  $S_8$  if  $(i, j) = (2, 4), (1, 3)$  by (\*). Note that  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i) \cap V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_j)$  is biholomorphic to  $\mathbf{P}^1 \times \mathbf{P}^1$ , if and only if  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i)$  and  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_j)$  are biholomorphic.

REMARK. Let  $\Gamma'_6, \Sigma'_6$  and  $C'_6$  be the subgroup of  $GL(N)$ , the fan and the cone in  $N_{\mathbf{R}}$ , respectively, obtained by transposing the coefficients  $c_{2,4} = 1$  and  $c_{4,2} = 2$  in the above relations  $\gamma_i \mathbf{e}_i = \sum c_{ij} \mathbf{e}_j$ . Then the irreducible components of  $T_N \text{emb}(\Sigma'_6) \setminus T_N$  are isomorphic to those of  $T_N \text{emb}(\Sigma_6) \setminus T_N$ . However, they intersect to each other in a different way.  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i)$  are biholomorphic to  $V_{1a}$  (resp.  $V_{1b}$ ) for  $i = 1, 2$  (resp.  $3, 4$ ). Hence  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i) \cap V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_j)$  is biholomorphic to  $S_6$ , if and only if  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i)$  and  $V(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_j)$  are biholomorphic. However, the following consideration for  $(C_6, \Gamma_6)$  holds also for  $(C'_6, \Gamma'_6)$ , because the relations in (\*) do not change.

Hereafter, we simply write  $\Gamma, \Sigma$  and  $C$  for  $\Gamma_6, \Sigma_6$  and  $C_6$ , respectively.

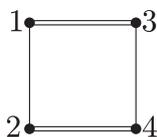


Figure 9.

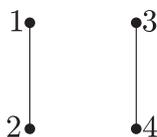


Figure 10.

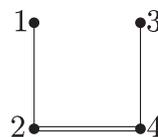


Figure 11.

THEOREM 9. *There exists a subgroup  $\Gamma^0$  of  $\Gamma$  of index 48 which acts on  $D_C$  freely. Conversely, if a subgroup  $\Gamma'$  of  $\Gamma$  acts on  $D_C$  freely, then  $\Gamma'$  is of index at least 48.*

Let  $\Gamma^i = \langle \gamma_j \mid 1 \leq j \leq 4, j \neq i \rangle$  for each  $i$ . Then  $\Gamma^i$  is the stabilizer of  $\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{e}_i$  and  $|\Gamma^i| = 48$ . Hence the second assertion in the above theorem holds. Let  $\Delta = \{p_C(\tau \setminus \{0\}) \mid \tau \in \Sigma, \tau \neq \{0\}\}$ . Then  $\Delta$  is a  $\Gamma$ -invariant tetrahedral decomposition of  $D_C$ . If we get  $\Gamma^0$  in the above theorem, then  $\Delta/\Gamma^0$  is a tetrahedral decomposition of the 3-dimensional compact topological manifold  $D_C/\Gamma^0$  consisting of 48 tetrahedra. Since  $\Delta/\Gamma^0$  has  $48 \cdot 4/|\Gamma^i| = 4$  vertices, there exists a resolution of the cusp singularity  $\text{Cusp}(C, \Gamma^0)$  with an exceptional set consisting of 4 irreducible components. The rest of this section is devoted to the proof of the first assertion in the above theorem.

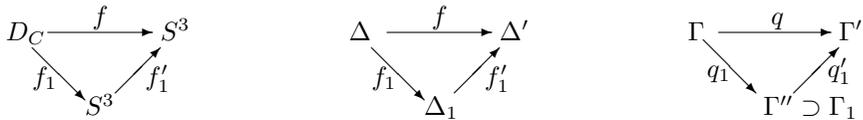
Let  $\gamma'_i$  be the elements in  $GL(N)$  defined by the following relations for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .  $\gamma'_i \mathbf{e}_j = \mathbf{e}_j$  if  $i \neq j$  and

$$\gamma'_1 \mathbf{e}_1 = -\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2, \gamma'_2 \mathbf{e}_2 = \mathbf{e}_1 - \mathbf{e}_2, \gamma'_3 \mathbf{e}_3 = -\mathbf{e}_3 + \mathbf{e}_4, \gamma'_4 \mathbf{e}_4 = \mathbf{e}_3 - \mathbf{e}_4.$$

Then  $\Gamma' = \langle \gamma'_i \mid i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle$  is a Coxeter group with the relations:  $\gamma_i'^2 = 1$  and

$$(\gamma'_1 \gamma'_2)^3 = (\gamma'_3 \gamma'_4)^3 = (\gamma'_1 \gamma'_3)^2 = (\gamma'_2 \gamma'_4)^2 = (\gamma'_1 \gamma'_4)^2 = (\gamma'_2 \gamma'_3)^2 = 1.$$

Hence the Dynkin diagram of  $\Gamma'$  is Figure 10,  $\Gamma' \simeq D_3 \times D_3$  and there exists a surjective homomorphism  $q : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$  sending  $\gamma_i$  to  $\gamma'_i$ . Let  $\Delta' = \{p(\gamma'\tau \setminus \{0\}) \mid \gamma' \in \Gamma', \tau \prec \sigma, \tau \neq \{0\}\}$ , where  $p : N_{\mathbf{R}} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow S^3$  is the natural projection. Then  $\Delta'$  is a tetrahedral decomposition of  $S^3$  with 36 tetrahedra. Let  $\tilde{f} : C \cup \{0\} \rightarrow N_{\mathbf{R}}$  be the piecewise linear map defined by  $\tilde{f}(x) = q(\gamma)\gamma^{-1}x$ , if  $x$  is in  $\gamma\sigma$  for an element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma$ . Then  $\tilde{f}$  induces a Galois covering  $f : D_C \rightarrow S^3$  with  $f(\gamma x) = q(\gamma)f(x)$  for any element  $\gamma$  in  $\Gamma$ , ramifying only along  $\Xi_{13} \cup \Xi_{24}$ , where  $\Xi_{ij} = \bigcup_{\gamma' \in \Gamma'} p(\gamma'(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_i + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_j) \setminus \{0\})$ , because  $\langle \gamma_i, \gamma_j \rangle$  are the stabilizers of  $\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_k + \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}\mathbf{e}_l$ , where  $\{k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \setminus \{i, j\}$ ,  $q((\gamma_2 \gamma_4)^2) = q((\gamma_1 \gamma_3)^2) = 1$  and the restriction of  $q$  to  $\langle \gamma_i, \gamma_j \rangle$  is an isomorphism if  $(i, j) \neq (1, 3), (2, 4)$ . Moreover,  $\Delta$  is the pull-back of  $\Delta'$  under  $f$ .



Let  $\Gamma'' = \langle \gamma''_i \mid i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ , where  $\gamma''_1 = \gamma'_1, \gamma''_2 = \gamma_2, \gamma''_3 = \gamma'_3, \gamma''_4 = \gamma_4$ . Then  $\Gamma''$  is a Coxeter group whose Dynkin diagram is Figure 11 and there exist surjective homomorphisms  $q_1 : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma''$  sending  $\gamma_i$  to  $\gamma''_i$  and  $q'_1 : \Gamma'' \rightarrow \Gamma'$  sending  $\gamma''_i$  to  $\gamma'_i$  with  $q = q'_1 \circ q_1$ . We can define Galois coverings  $f_1 : D_C \rightarrow S^3$  and  $f'_1 : S^3 \rightarrow S^3$  such that  $f'_1(\gamma''x) = q'_1(\gamma'')f_1(x)$  for any element  $\gamma''$  in  $\Gamma''$  and that  $f'_1 \circ f_1 = f$ , in a similar way as  $f$ . Then  $f'_1$  ramifies only along  $\Xi_{13}$ ,  $\text{Gal}(f'_1) = \ker(q'_1)$  and  $\Delta_1 = \{p(\gamma''\tau \setminus \{0\}) \mid \gamma'' \in \Gamma'', \tau \prec \sigma, \tau \neq \{0\}\}$  is the pull-back of  $\Delta'$  under  $f'_1$ . Let  $\gamma''_0 = \gamma''_1 \gamma''_2 \gamma''_3 \gamma''_4$ .

LEMMA. *There exists a normal subgroup  $\Gamma_1$  of  $\ker(q'_1)$  acting on  $S^3$  freely with  $\ker(q'_1)/\Gamma_1 \simeq \mathbf{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_2, \gamma''_0 \in \Gamma_1$  and  $\gamma''_0 \Gamma_1 \gamma''_0^{-1} = \Gamma_1$ .*

PROOF. Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be the convex hull of the 24 points

$$\begin{pmatrix} \pm 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \pm 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \pm 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \pm 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $\mathbf{R}^4$ . Then the boundary  $\partial\mathbb{P}$  of  $\mathbb{P}$  consists of 24 octahedra which are on the hyperplanes defined by  $\pm x_i \pm x_j = 2$  ( $1 \leq i < j \leq 4$ ), and is a regular polyhedron of type (3, 4, 3) (see [1, 8.2]). For example, an octahedron has 6 vertices  ${}^t(2, 0, 0, 0), {}^t(0, 2, 0, 0), {}^t(1, 1, \pm 1, \pm 1)$ . Let  $\square$  be the barycentric subdivision of the octahedral decomposition  $p(\partial\mathbb{P})$  of  $S^3$  which is the image of  $\partial\mathbb{P}$  under the projection  $p : \mathbf{R}^4 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow S^3$ . Let  $h : S^3 \rightarrow S^3$  be the homeomorphism induced by the linear transformation  $\tilde{h}$  sending  $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3$  and  $\mathbf{e}_4$  to  ${}^t(1, 1, 0, 0), {}^t(2, 1, 1, 0), {}^t(1, 1, 1, 1)$  and  ${}^t(2, 2, 2, 0)$ , respectively. Then  $h\Delta_1$  coincides

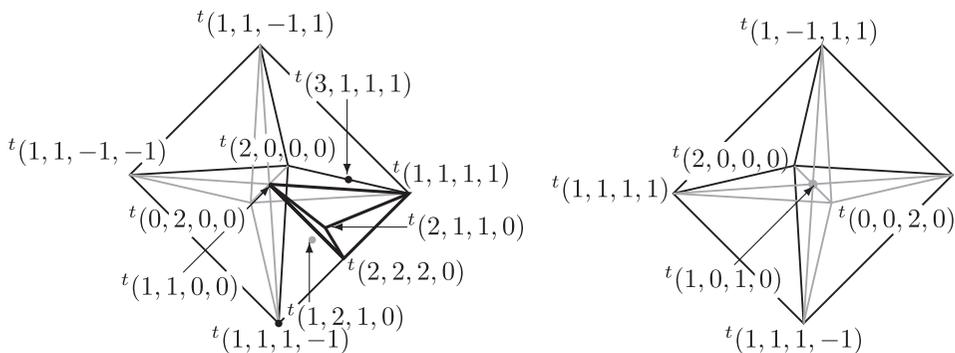


Figure 12.

with  $\square$ , because  $\tilde{h}(\gamma_1''\mathbf{e}_1) = t(1, 0, 1, 0)$ ,  $\tilde{h}(\gamma_2''\mathbf{e}_2) = t(1, 2, 1, 0)$ ,  $\tilde{h}(\gamma_3''\mathbf{e}_3) = t(1, 1, 1, -1)$  and  $\tilde{h}(\gamma_4''\mathbf{e}_4) = t(3, 1, 1, 1)$  (see Figure 12). Moreover,  $h(f_1'^{-1}(\Xi_{13}))$  is the union of the diagonals of the octahedra on  $p(\partial\mathbb{P})$ . Since the barycentric subdivision of an octahedron has 48 tetrahedra,  $|\Gamma''| = 24 \cdot 48 = 1152$ . Since  $\ker(q_1')$  is generated by the conjugates of  $(\gamma_2''\gamma_4'')^2$ , whose fixed points are contained in  $f_1'^{-1}(\Xi_{13})$  and  $|\ker(q_1')| = |\Gamma''|/|\Gamma'| = 1152/36 = 32$ ,  $\tilde{h}\ker(q_1')\tilde{h}^{-1}$  consists of the following 32 matrices, where  $\epsilon_i = \pm 1$  and  $\epsilon_1\epsilon_2\epsilon_3\epsilon_4 = 1$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \epsilon_4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \epsilon_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \epsilon_3 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \epsilon_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \epsilon_1 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_2 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_3 & 0 & 0 \\ \epsilon_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that the fixed points of all matrices of order 2 in the above except  $-I_4$ , are contained in the diagonals of the octahedra and that any one of order 4 in the above is the product of two of order 2. The set consisting of  $\pm I_4$ ,  $\pm A$ ,  $\pm B$  and  $\pm C$  is a normal subgroup of  $\tilde{h}\ker(q_1')\tilde{h}^{-1}$  acting on  $S^3$  freely, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $J = \tilde{h}\gamma_0''\tilde{h}^{-1}$ . Then

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence  $J^3 = -B$ ,  $JAJ^{-1} = -A$ ,  $JBJ^{-1} = B$  and  $JCJ^{-1} = -C$ . Since  $|\ker(q_1')/\Gamma_1| = 4$  and  $X^2 = -I_4$  for any element  $X$  of order 4 in  $\tilde{h}\ker(q_1')\tilde{h}^{-1}$ ,  $\ker(q_1')/\Gamma_1 \simeq \mathbf{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_2$ .  $\square$

Let  $T_1 = S^3/\Gamma_1$  and let  $g'_1 : T_1 \rightarrow S^3$  be the Galois covering induced by  $f'_1$ . Then  $g'_1$  ramifies only along  $\Xi_{13}$ . Let  $h_1 : D_C \rightarrow T_1$  be the composite of  $f_1$  and the quotient map  $S^3 \rightarrow T_1$  under  $\Gamma_1$ . Then  $h_1$  ramifies only along  $g'^{-1}_1(\Xi_{24})$  and  $f = g'_1 \circ h_1$ . Moreover,  $\gamma''_0$  induces an automorphism  $\delta_1$  on  $T_1$  with  $|\delta_1| = 3$ , by the above lemma. Let  $\gamma'_0 = \gamma'_1\gamma'_2\gamma'_3\gamma'_4$ . Then  $\gamma'_0$  has no fixed points on  $S^3$  and  $q'_1(\gamma''_0) = \gamma'_0$ . Hence  $g'_1 \circ \delta_1 = \gamma'_0 \circ g'_1$ . In a similar way, we obtain Galois coverings  $g'_2 : T_2 \rightarrow S^3$  ramifying only along  $\Xi_{24}$ ,  $h_2 : D_C \rightarrow T_2$  ramifying only along  $g'^{-1}_2(\Xi_{13})$  with  $f = g'_2 \circ h_2$  and an automorphism  $\delta_2$  on  $T_2$  with  $|\delta_2| = 3$  such that  $g'_2 \circ \delta_2 = \gamma'_0 \circ g'_2$ .

$$D_C \rightarrow T = T_1 \times_{S^3} T_2 \rightarrow T_0 = T/G_0 \rightarrow T_0/\langle\delta_0\rangle = D_C/\Gamma^0 \rightarrow S^3$$

Now, to show the existence of a subgroup  $\Gamma^0$  in the theorem, we construct covering maps as above, where the left three arrows do not ramify and the right one ramifies along  $\Xi_{13} \cup \Xi_{24}$ . Let  $T = T_1 \times_{S^3} T_2$  be the fiber product of  $g'_1$  and  $g'_2$ . Then  $T$  is a topological manifold, because  $\Xi_{13} \cap \Xi_{24} = \emptyset$ . Since  $\text{Gal}(g'_i) \simeq \mathbf{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_2$ , any bijection between  $\text{Gal}(g'_1) \setminus \{1\}$  and  $\text{Gal}(g'_2) \setminus \{1\}$  induces an isomorphism. Hence there exists an isomorphism  $\phi : \text{Gal}(g'_1) \simeq \text{Gal}(g'_2)$  such that  $\phi(\delta_1\gamma\delta_1^{-1}) = \delta_2\phi(\gamma)\delta_2^{-1}$  for any element  $\gamma$  in  $\text{Gal}(g'_1)$ . Let  $G_0 = \{(\gamma, \phi(\gamma)) \mid \gamma \in \text{Gal}(g'_1)\}$ . Then  $G_0$  has no fixed points on  $T$ , because  $\Xi_{13} \cap \Xi_{24} = \emptyset$ . Let  $T_0 = T/G_0$  and let  $g'_0 : T_0 \rightarrow S^3$  be the covering induced by the natural projection  $T \rightarrow S^3$ . Then  $\text{deg } g'_0 = 4$ , because  $\text{deg } g'_i = 4$ . Hence the pull-back of  $\Delta'$  under  $g'_0$ , consists of  $36 \cdot 4 = 144$  tetrahedra. Let  $h : D_C \rightarrow T_0$  be the composite of the map  $(h_1, h_2)$  and the quotient map  $T \rightarrow T_0$ . Then  $h$  is a surjective unramified covering, because it does not ramify along  $g'^{-1}_0(\Xi_{13} \cup \Xi_{24})$  and  $T_0$  is a topological manifold. Since  $(\delta_1, \delta_2)G_0(\delta_1, \delta_2)^{-1} = G_0$ ,  $(\delta_1, \delta_2)$  induces an automorphism  $\delta_0$  on  $T_0$  with  $g'_0 \circ \delta_0 = \gamma'_0 \circ g'_0$ . Since  $\gamma'_0$  has no fixed points on  $S^3$ , so does  $\delta_0$  on  $T_0$ . Hence the composite of  $h$  and the quotient map  $T_0 \rightarrow T_0/\langle\delta_0\rangle$ , is the quotient map under a subgroup of  $\Gamma$  with the index  $144/3 = 48$  acting on  $D_C$  freely.

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