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Abstract

The concept of rigid spherical t -designs was introduced by Eiichi Bannai. We want to find examples of rigid but not tight spherical designs. Sali investigated the case when X is an orbit of a finite reflection group and proved that X is rigid if and only if tight for the groups $A_n, B_n, C_n, D_n, E_6, E_7, F_4, H_3$. There are two cases left open, namely the group E_8 and the isometry group H_4 of the four dimensional regular polytope, the 600-cell. In this paper, we study the rigidity of spherical t -designs X that are orbits of a finite reflection groups E_8 and H_4 , and prove that X is rigid if and only if tight or the 600-cell.

1 Introduction

Spherical t -designs were introduced by Delsarte, Goethals and Seidel [10]. A finite nonempty set X in the unit sphere

$$\mathbb{S}^d := \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_{d+1}^2 = 1\}$$

is called a *spherical t -design* in \mathbb{S}^d if and only if the equality

$$\frac{1}{|\mathbb{S}^d|} \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} f(x) d\omega(x) = \frac{1}{|X|} \sum_{x \in X} f(x)$$

holds for all polynomials $f(x) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d+1})$ of degree at most t . Here, the left-hand side involves integration on the unit sphere, and $|\mathbb{S}^d|$ denotes the volume of the sphere \mathbb{S}^d .

It is known [10] that there is a lower bound (Fischer-type inequality) for the size of a spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d .

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Theorem 1.1 (Delsarte-Goethals-Seidel). *Let X be a spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d . Then*

$$|X| \geq \begin{cases} \binom{d+t/2}{d} + \binom{d+t/2-1}{d}, & \text{if } t \text{ is even} \\ 2\binom{d+(t-1)/2}{d}, & \text{if } t \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

If equality holds, then X is called *tight* spherical t -design.

The concept of the rigidity was introduced by Bannai [1]. Let $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be a spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d . X is said to be *non-rigid* or *deformable*, if for any given $\epsilon > 0$ there exist another spherical t -design $X' = \{x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_n\}$ such that $|x_i - x'_i| < \epsilon$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$, and there exists no orthogonal transformation $g \in O(d+1)$ with $g(x_i) = x'_i$. X is said to be *rigid* if it is not non-rigid.

If X , X_1 and X_2 are spherical t -designs in \mathbb{S}^d , then the following hold.

- (1) For any $\sigma \in O(d+1)$, $X^\sigma := \{x^\sigma \mid x \in X\}$ is spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d .
- (2) If $X_1 \cap X_2 = \emptyset$, then $X_1 \cup X_2$ is spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d .

The property (2) means that we can make many spherical t -designs from given spherical t -designs. However spherical t -designs, that are disjoint union of spherical t -designs, are not “new” spherical t -designs. Such spherical t -designs is clearly non-rigid. Therefore rigid spherical t -designs are essential objects of study of spherical t -designs.

Bannai conjectured the following two propositions about rigid spherical t -design.

Conjecture 1.1 (Bannai, [1]). *There exist a function $f(d, t)$ such that if X is a spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d such that $|X| > f(d, t)$, then X is non-rigid.*

Conjecture 1.2 (Bannai, [1]). *For each fixed pair d and t , there are only finitely many rigid spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d up to orthogonal transformations.*

Lyubich and Vaserstein proved that Conjecture 1.1 and 1.2 are equivalent [12]. These conjecture are supported by the fact that the known rigid t -designs are very rare. Bannai proves this for dimension 1, by showing that any rigid spherical t -design X in \mathbb{S}^1 consists of the vertices of a regular $(k+1)$ -gon with $t \leq k \leq 2t$.

Because the distances between points of a tight spherical design are described by a theorem of Delsarte-Goethals-Seidel [10], we have the following proposition.

Proposition 1.1. *A tight spherical t -design is rigid.*

Unfortunately, tight spherical t -designs rarely exist [5], and it was proved that if a tight spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d with $d \geq 2$ exists, then necessarily either $t \leq 5$, or $t = 7, 11$ [3, 4]. We want to find examples of rigid but not tight spherical t -designs.

The following theorem, which was proved by Delsarte-Goethals-Seidel, is very useful for getting examples of spherical t -designs.

Theorem 1.2 (Delsarte-Goethals-Seidel). *For a finite subgroup G of $O(d+1)$ the following conditions are equivalent:*

1. every G -orbit is a spherical t -design in \mathbb{S}^d ,
2. there are no G -invariant harmonic polynomials of degree $1, 2, \dots, t$.

Let q_i be the dimension of the space of G -invariant harmonic polynomials of degree i . If we know the eigenvalue of each $g \in G$, then we determine t by the harmonic Molien series

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q_i \lambda^i = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{\det(I_{d+1} - \lambda g)}$$

where I_{d+1} is the $(d+1) \times (d+1)$ identity matrix [14, 11, Corollary 6.4].

Let W be a finite irreducible reflection group in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} . It is known that finite irreducible reflection groups are classified completely [6]. Let integers $1 = m_1 \leq m_2 \leq \dots \leq m_{d+1}$ be the exponents of W (please see [6, Ch.V, §6]). The exponents of W is important for the following theorem [7, Ch.VIII, §8, Corollary 1].

Theorem 1.3. *Let W be a finite reflection group. Let q_i be the dimension of the space of W -invariant harmonic polynomials of degree i . Then we have*

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q_i \lambda^i = \prod_{i=2}^{d+1} \frac{1}{1 - \lambda^{1+m_i}}.$$

Therefore every orbit $X = \{x^w \mid w \in W\}$ is a spherical m_2 -design in \mathbb{S}^d .

If $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d+1}$ are the fundamental roots, then the **corner vectors** v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{d+1} are defined by $v_i \perp \alpha_j$ if and only if $i \neq j$. The following proposition is immediate.

Proposition 1.2 (Sali, [13, Proposition 1.13]). *If $X = \{x^w \mid w \in W\}$ is such that x is not a corner vector of W , then X is non-rigid spherical m_2 -design.*

The following lemma is useful for proving the non-rigidity.

Lemma 1.1 (Sali, [13, Lemma 2.3]). *Suppose that $X \subset \mathbb{S}^d$ is a spherical t -design. Let $Y \subset X$ satisfy $Y \subset U^r \cup \mathbb{S}^d$ where U^r is an r -dimensional affine subspace of \mathbb{R}^{d+1} ($1 < r \leq d+1$). That is, $U^r = \{z_0 + x \mid x \in T^r\}$ where T^r is a linear subspace of \mathbb{R}^{d+1} . Furthermore, let us assume that*

$$\tilde{Y} = \left\{ \frac{y - z_0}{|y - z_0|} \mid y \in Y \right\}$$

forms a t -design in \mathbb{S}^{r-1} . If $X \setminus Y$ spans \mathbb{R}^{d+1} , then X is non-rigid.

Sali proved the following theorem by finding sub- t -designs in affine subspaces.

Theorem 1.4 (Sali, [13, Theorem 1.4]). *Let W be any of the following reflection groups.*

1. A_n for $n = 3, 4, \dots$
2. B_n for $n = 3, 4, \dots$
3. C_n for $n = 3, 4, \dots$
4. D_n for $n = 4, 5, \dots$
5. E_6, E_7, F_4, H_3

Then the orbit $X = \{x_0^w \mid w \in W\}$ for a corner vector x_0 is a rigid spherical m_2 -design if and only if it is tight.

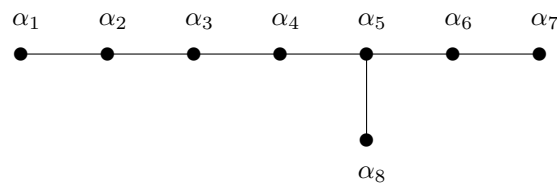
There were two cases left open, namely the group E_8 and the isometry group H_4 of the four dimensional regular polytope, the 600-cell. In this paper, we investigate the case of the group E_8 and H_4 , and prove the following theorems.

Theorem 1.5. *Let $W(E_8)$ be the reflection groups of E_8 . Then the orbit $X = \{x_0^w \mid w \in W(E_8)\}$ for a corner vector x_0 is a rigid spherical 7-design if and only if it is tight (i.e. $x_0 = v_1$).*

Theorem 1.6. *Let $W(H_4)$ be the reflection group H_4 . Then the orbit $X = \{x_0^w \mid w \in W(H_4)\}$ for a corner vector x_0 is a rigid spherical 11-design if and only if it is the 600-cell (i.e. $x_0 = v_1$).*

2 Group E_8

Space \mathbb{R}^8
 Dynkin diagram



Exponents 1, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29.

Reflection Group The order is $2^{14} 3^5 5^2 7$.

Fundamental Roots

- $\alpha_1 = [-2, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_2 = [0, -2, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_3 = [0, 0, -2, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_4 = [0, 0, 0, -2, 2, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_5 = [0, 0, 0, 0, -2, 2, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_6 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -2, 2, 0]$
- $\alpha_7 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -2, 2]$
- $\alpha_8 = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, -1, -1]$

Corner vector

- $v_1 = [-1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$
- $v_2 = [0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$
- $v_3 = [1, 1, 1, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3]$
- $v_4 = [1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2]$
- $v_5 = [3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 5, 5, 5]$
- $v_6 = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2]$
- $v_7 = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 3]$
- $v_8 = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$

By computer search, using GAP, we get the orbits of v_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots, 8$ as following.

	Cardinality	Vectors
v_1	240	$2^2 0^6, D 1^8$
v_2	6720	$2 1^2 0^5, 1^6 0^2, D (3/2)^2 (1/2)^6$
v_3	60480	$6 2^3 0^4, 4^3 0^5, 4^2 2^4 0^2, E 3^5 1^3, D 5 3^2 1^5$
v_4	241920	$4 1^4 0^3, 2^5 0^3, 1^3 2^2 3 0^2,$ $E 2^4 1^4, E (5/2)^3 (1/2)^5, E (5/2)^2 (3/2)^3 (1/2)^3, D (7/2) (3/2)^3 (1/2)^4$
v_5	483840	$(10) 2^5 0^2, 6^2 4^3 0^3, 6^3 2^3 0^2, 8 4^3 2^2 0^2,$ $E 5^3 3^5, E 6^2 4^2 2^4, E 7 5^2 3^2 1^3, D 9 3^4 1^3$
v_6	69120	$3 1^5 0^2, 2^3 1^2 0^3, E 2^2 1^6, E (7/2) (1/2)^7, E (5/2) (3/2)^3 (1/2)^4$
v_7	2160	$4 0^7, 2^4 0^4, E 3 1^7$
v_8	17280	$2 1^4 0^3, E 1^8, E (3/2)^3 (1/2)^5, D (5/2) (1/2)^7$

The full list of vectors is obtained by applying arbitrary permutations and signs to the vectors in the table, except that if the vector is prefixed by an E (resp. D) then an even (resp. odd) number of minus signs are required.

These orbits are spherical 7-designs in \mathbb{S}^7 because the exponent $m_2 = 7$. By Fischer-type inequality, a spherical 7-designs in \mathbb{S}^7 has at least 240 points. Therefore the orbit of v_1 , which is the E_8 root system, is tight 7-design in \mathbb{S}^7 . We shall find the subset Y in Lemma 1.1 to prove that other orbits are non-rigid. Indeed, the orbit of v_i for $i = 2, 3, \dots, 8$ contains the E_8 root system which is tight 7-design in \mathbb{S}^7 . The E_8 root system, which contained in the orbit, has the following fundamental roots.

The orbit of v_2

- $\alpha_1 = [-2, -1, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_2 = [0, 1, 2, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_3 = [0, 1, -1, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_4 = [1/2, -3/2, 1/2, -1/2, -3/2, -1/2, -1/2, 1/2]$
- $\alpha_5 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, -2]$
- $\alpha_6 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 2]$
- $\alpha_7 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, -2, -1]$
- $\alpha_8 = [0, 1, -1, -1, 0, -1, -1, 1]$

The orbit of v_4

- $\alpha_1 = [-4, -1, -1, -1, -1, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_2 = [1/2, 3/2, 5/2, 5/2, 3/2, -3/2, -1/2, 1/2]$
- $\alpha_3 = [1/2, -3/2, -3/2, -1/2, 3/2, 5/2, 1/2, -5/2]$
- $\alpha_4 = [0, 1, 0, 0, -1, 1, 1, 4]$
- $\alpha_5 = [0, 1, 1, -3, 1, -2, 0, -2]$
- $\alpha_6 = [0, 0, 1, 2, -3, 2, -1, -1]$
- $\alpha_7 = [0, 1, -3, 0, 2, -1, -2, 1]$
- $\alpha_8 = [1/2, -5/2, -3/2, 5/2, -1/2, -3/2, 3/2, 1/2]$

The orbit of v_3

- $\alpha_1 = [-6, -2, -2, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_2 = [0, 4, 4, 4, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_3 = [2, -6, -2, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_4 = [0, 2, 2, -4, -4, -2, -2, 0]$
- $\alpha_5 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 2, 6, -2]$
- $\alpha_6 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 4, -4, 4]$
- $\alpha_7 = [0, 0, 0, 0, 2, -6, 2, 2]$
- $\alpha_8 = [0, 2, -4, 2, 0, -2, -4, -2]$

The orbit of v_5

- $\alpha_1 = [-10, -2, -2, -2, -2, -2, 0, 0]$
- $\alpha_2 = [2, 2, 2, 6, 6, 4, -4, -2]$
- $\alpha_3 = [0, 0, 4, -4, -2, 2, 8, 4]$
- $\alpha_4 = [1, 1, -1, 5, -3, -7, -5, 3]$
- $\alpha_5 = [0, 0, 2, -2, -2, 2, 2, -10]$
- $\alpha_6 = [0, 2, -8, 2, 4, 0, 4, 4]$
- $\alpha_7 = [0, 0, 2, -2, -6, 6, -6, 2]$
- $\alpha_8 = [1, -7, 1, -3, 5, -1, -3, 5]$

The orbit of v_6

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= [-7/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2] \\ \alpha_2 &= [1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 2, 2, 2] \\ \alpha_3 &= [0, 0, 1, 2, 1, -2, -2, 0] \\ \alpha_4 &= [0, 0, 1, 0, -2, 1, 2, -2] \\ \alpha_5 &= [0, 1, 0, -2, 2, 1, -2, 0] \\ \alpha_6 &= [0, 1, -2, 1, 0, -2, 2, 0] \\ \alpha_7 &= [0, 0, 0, 1, -2, 2, -2, 1] \\ \alpha_8 &= [1/2, -5/2, 1/2, -1/2, -3/2, -3/2, 1/2, 3/2] \end{aligned}$$

The orbit of v_8

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= [-5/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, -1/2, 1/2] \\ \alpha_2 &= [1/2, -1/2, 3/2, 1/2, 1/2, 1/2, 3/2, -3/2] \\ \alpha_3 &= [0, 1, -2, 0, 1, 1, -1, 0] \\ \alpha_4 &= [0, 0, 1, 1, -1, 0, 1, 2] \\ \alpha_5 &= [0, 0, 1, 0, 1, -1, -2, -1] \\ \alpha_6 &= [0, 1, -1, -1, 0, -1, 2, 0] \\ \alpha_7 &= [0, 0, 0, 1, -2, 1, -1, -1] \\ \alpha_8 &= [1/2, -3/2, -1/2, -3/2, -1/2, 3/2, 1/2, 1/2] \end{aligned}$$

The orbit of v_7

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= [-4, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0] \\ \alpha_2 &= [2, -2, -2, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0] \\ \alpha_3 &= [0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 0] \\ \alpha_4 &= [0, 0, 2, -2, -2, -2, 0, 0] \\ \alpha_5 &= [0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0] \\ \alpha_6 &= [0, 0, 0, 0, 2, -2, -2, -2] \\ \alpha_7 &= [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 4] \\ \alpha_8 &= [0, 2, -2, 0, 0, -2, 2, 0] \end{aligned}$$

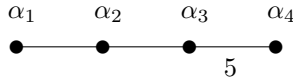
It is well known that the E_8 root system is linear combination of the fundamental roots with integer coefficients all of the same sign (all non-negative or all non-positive). Moreover, by seeing [6, PLATE VII], we easily get the E_8 root system which is contained in the orbit. Therefore the orbits of the group E_8 are non-rigid spherical 7-designs except the E_8 root system.

3 Group H_4

This group is the isometry group of the 600-cell acting on \mathbb{R}^4 .

Space \mathbb{R}^4

Dynkin diagram



Exponents 1, 11, 19, 29

Reflection Group The order is 14400.

Fundamental roots

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= [-2, 2, 0, 0] \\ \alpha_2 &= [0, -2, 2, 0] \\ \alpha_3 &= [0, 0, -2, -2] \\ \alpha_4 &= [1, 1, 1, \sqrt{5}] \end{aligned}$$

Corner vectors

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= [3 - \sqrt{5}, 1 + \sqrt{5}, 1 + \sqrt{5}, -1 - \sqrt{5}] \\ v_2 &= [2 - 2\sqrt{5}, 2 - 2\sqrt{5}, -4, 4] \\ v_3 &= [10, 10, 10, -6\sqrt{5}] \\ v_4 &= [4, 4, 4, -4] \end{aligned}$$

We get the orbits of v_i for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ as following.

	Cardinality	Vectors
v_1	120	$4^2 0^2, E 2^3 (2\sqrt{5}), D (1 + \sqrt{5})^3 (3 - \sqrt{5})$ $D (-1 + \sqrt{5})^3 (3 + \sqrt{5})$
v_2	720	$4^2 (-2 + 2\sqrt{5})^2, D 2 (2\sqrt{5})^2 (-4 + 2\sqrt{5}), E 2^2 6 (-4 + 2\sqrt{5})$ $0^2 (6 - 2\sqrt{5}) (2 + 2\sqrt{5}), E (7 - \sqrt{5}) (3 - \sqrt{5}) (1 + \sqrt{5})^2$ $D (5 - \sqrt{5})^2 (3 + \sqrt{5}) (-1 + \sqrt{5}), E (-1 + \sqrt{5})^2 (3 + \sqrt{5}) (-3 + 3\sqrt{5})$ $D (3 - \sqrt{5})^2 (-1 + 3\sqrt{5}) (1 + \sqrt{5})$
v_3	1200	$0^2 (20) (4\sqrt{5}), D (10)^3 (6\sqrt{5}), E (10) (2\sqrt{5}) (10 - 4\sqrt{5}) (10 + 4\sqrt{5})$ $0 (4\sqrt{5})^2 (8\sqrt{5}), (10 - 2\sqrt{5})^2 (10 + 2\sqrt{5})^2, E (10) (2\sqrt{5}) (6\sqrt{5})^2,$ $E (5 + 3\sqrt{5})^3 (15 - 3\sqrt{5}), E (15 - \sqrt{5}) (-5 + 3\sqrt{5}) (5 + \sqrt{5}) (5 + 5\sqrt{5})$ $D (15 + \sqrt{5}) (-5 + 5\sqrt{5}) (5 - \sqrt{5}) (5 + 3\sqrt{5}), E (15 + 3\sqrt{5}) (-5 + 3\sqrt{5})^3$ $D (5 + \sqrt{5})^2 (-5 + 7\sqrt{5}) (5 + 5\sqrt{5}), E (5 - \sqrt{5})^2 (5 + 7\sqrt{5}) (-5 + 5\sqrt{5})$
v_4	600	$8 0^3, 4^4, 0 4 (-2 + 2\sqrt{5}) (2 + 2\sqrt{5}), E 2 (2\sqrt{5})^3, D 2^2 6 (2\sqrt{5})$ $E (3 + \sqrt{5})^2 (5 - \sqrt{5}) (-1 + \sqrt{5}), E (3 - \sqrt{5})^2 (5 + \sqrt{5}) (1 + \sqrt{5})$ $D (1 + \sqrt{5})^3 (-1 + 3\sqrt{5}), E (-1 + \sqrt{5})^3 (1 + 3\sqrt{5})$

These orbits are spherical 11-designs in \mathbb{S}^3 because the exponent $m_2 = 11$. The orbit of v_1 is the 600-cell which has 120 points. Boyvalenkov and Danev [8] proved that uniqueness of the 120 points spherical 11-design in \mathbb{S}^3 . Of course, the uniqueness is stronger than the rigidity. The 600-cell is the first reported rigid non-tight t -design for $t \geq 3$ and $d \geq 2$.

Each orbit of v_i for $i = 2, 3, 4$ contains the 600-cell. Moreover the following proposition holds in the case of the group H_4 .

Proposition 3.1. *Let $W(H_4)$ denote the reflection group H_4 . Every $W(H_4)$ -orbit is disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the 600-cell.*

Proof. There exists the normal chain, such that

$$W(H_4) \triangleright D(W(H_4)) \triangleright N \triangleright \{\pm I_4\}.$$

Here, $D(W(H_4)) := \langle x^{-1}y^{-1}xy \mid \forall x, y \in W(H_4) \rangle$ is the derived subgroup of $W(H_4)$ and N is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}_2 \cdot A_5$ (non-splitting semi-direct product) where A_5 is alternating group on five symbols. The cardinality of $D(W(H_4))$ is 7200 and that of N is 120.

Let q_i be the dimension of the space of N -invariant harmonic polynomials

of degree i . The harmonic Molien series of N is

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q_i \lambda^i = \frac{1}{|N|} \sum_{g \in N} \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{\det(I_4 - \lambda g)} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{120} \left\{ \frac{1}{(1 - \lambda)^4} + \frac{1}{(1 + \lambda)^4} + \frac{30}{(1 + \lambda^2)^2} \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{20}{(1 - \lambda + \lambda^2)^2} + \frac{20}{(1 + \lambda + \lambda^2)^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{12}{(\lambda - \exp(\pi i/5))^2 (\lambda - \exp(-\pi i/5))^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{12}{(\lambda - \exp(2\pi i/5))^2 (\lambda - \exp(-2\pi i/5))^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{12}{(\lambda - \exp(3\pi i/5))^2 (\lambda - \exp(-3\pi i/5))^2} \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{12}{(\lambda - \exp(4\pi i/5))^2 (\lambda - \exp(-4\pi i/5))^2} \right\} \\ &= 1 + 13\lambda^{12} + 21\lambda^{20} + 25\lambda^{24} + 31\lambda^{30} + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Therefore every orbit $x^N := \{x^w \mid w \in N\}$ is spherical 11-design in \mathbb{S}^3 for any $x \in \mathbb{S}^3$.

By Fischer-Type inequality, if X is spherical 11-design in \mathbb{S}^3 , then the cardinality of X is at least 112. Thus the stabilizer subgroup N_x of any single point $x \in \mathbb{S}^3$ is trivial. Since 120 points spherical 11-design in \mathbb{S}^3 is unique, every N -orbit is the 600-cell. The orbit $x^{W(H_4)}$ is disjoint union of N -orbits. Therefore this proposition is proved. \square

Thus the orbits of the group H_4 are non-rigid spherical 11-designs except the 600-cell.

In the case of the group E_8 , if the E_8 root system is removed from the orbit of the corner vectors, then the remaining set is also spherical 7-design in \mathbb{S}^7 . The reflection group of E_8 does not have the subgroup like N which appeared in proof of the Proposition 3.1.

Problem 3.1. *Let v_i be corner vectors for $i = 2, 3, \dots, 8$ and $W(E_8)$ denote reflection group E_8 . Is the orbit $X := \{v_i^w \mid w \in W(E_8)\}$ disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the E_8 root system?*

By using computer, we checked that the orbits of v_i for $i = 2, 7, 8$ are disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the E_8 root system.

Remark:

(i) In the case of group D_4 , one of the orbit of corner vectors is a cross polytope which is a tight 3-design in \mathbb{S}^3 . The orbits of corner vectors are disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the cross polytope.

(ii) In the case of groups $A_n (n \geq 3)$, one of the orbits of corner vectors is a

regular simplex which is a tight 2-design in \mathbb{S}^{n-1} . Some orbits of corner vectors are **not** disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the regular simplex.

(iii) In the case of groups $B_n (n \geq 3)$, $C_n (n \geq 3)$ and $D_n (n \geq 5)$, one of the orbits of corner vectors is a cross polytope which is a tight 3-design in \mathbb{S}^{n-1} . Some orbits of corner vectors are **not** disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the cross polytope.

(vi) In the case of group H_3 , one of the orbits of corner vectors is the icosahedron which is a tight 5-design in \mathbb{S}^2 . Some orbits of corner vectors are **not** disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the icosahedron.

(v) In the case of group E_6 , one of the orbits of corner vectors is a tight 4-design in \mathbb{S}^5 . Some orbits of corner vectors are **not** disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the tight 4-design.

(iv) In the case of group E_7 , one of the orbits of corner vectors is a tight 5-design in \mathbb{S}^6 . Some orbits of corner vectors are **not** disjoint union of orthogonal transformations of the tight 5-design.

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