

# THE WEYL GROUP OF THE 3-EXTENDED AFFINE ROOT SYSTEM $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$

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## Abstract

We describe the Weyl group associated to the 3-extended affine root system  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$  [1, 5] in terms of the 3-extended affine diagram.

## 1. Introduction

In 1985, Saito [5] introduced the notion of an extended affine root system, and especially classified (marked) 2-extended affine root systems associated to the elliptic singularities, which are the root systems belong to a positive semi-definite quadratic form  $I$  whose radical has rank two. Therefore 2-extended affine root systems are also called *elliptic root systems*. In 1997, Allison et al. [1] also introduced the extended affine root systems associated to the extended affine Lie algebras and gave a complete description of them by using the concept of a semilattice. The generators and their relations of elliptic Weyl groups associated to the elliptic root systems were described from the viewpoint of a

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generalization of Coxeter groups by Saito and Takebayashi [6]. In the cases of the simply-laced extended affine root systems, Azam and Shahsanaei [4] have given a presentation of the corresponding Weyl groups. In [7], in the cases of simply-laced 3-extended affine root systems except for  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$ , similarly to the cases of the elliptic root systems, we described the 3-extended affine Weyl groups in terms of the 3-extended affine diagrams. In this paper, we describe the Weyl group of the 3-extended affine root system  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$  in terms of the 3-extended affine diagram.

## 2. The 3-extended Affine Root System $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$

We recall the 3-extended affine root system  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$  [1, 5], which is given as follows:

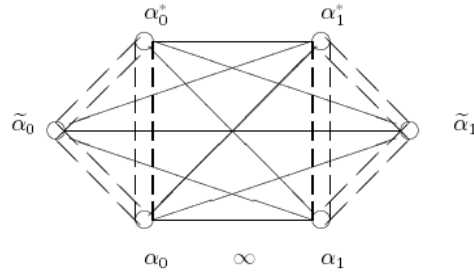
$$R = \{\pm(\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2) + nb + ma + kc \mid (n, m, k \in \mathbb{Z})\}.$$

We set

$$\alpha_0 = \varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1 + b, \quad \alpha_1 = \varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2,$$

$$\alpha_i^* = \alpha_i + a \quad (i = 0, 1), \quad \tilde{\alpha}_i = \alpha_i + c \quad (i = 0, 1).$$

The 3-extended affine diagram  $\Gamma(R)$  of  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$  is defined as follows:



## 3. The Weyl Group of the 3-extended Affine Root System

The Weyl group of the 3-extended affine root system is defined as follows [1, 5]. Let  $V$  be an  $(l + 3)$ -dimensional real vector space

equipped with a positive semi-definite bilinear form. Let  $V^0$  be the 3-dimensional radical of the form  $\langle, \rangle$  and  $(V^0)^*$  be the dual space of  $V^0$ . Set  $V = \dot{V} \oplus V^0$ , and  $\tilde{V} = \dot{V} \oplus V^0 \oplus (V^0)^*$ . Let  $\{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_l\}$  be the standard basis of  $\dot{V}$  satisfying  $\langle \varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$  for all  $i, j = 1, \dots, l$ . Define the bilinear form  $\langle, \rangle$  on  $\tilde{V}$  so that  $\langle, \rangle$  extends the form on  $V$  and  $\langle, \rangle$  is nondegenerate on  $\tilde{V}$ . For  $\alpha \in R$ , we define the reflection  $w_\alpha \in GL(\tilde{V})$  by  $w_\alpha(u) = u - \langle u, \alpha^\vee \rangle \alpha$  ( $u \in \tilde{V}$ ) with  $\alpha^\vee = \frac{2\alpha}{\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle}$ . Set  $\tilde{W}_R = \langle w_\alpha \mid \alpha \in R \rangle \subseteq GL(\tilde{V})$ . Then  $\tilde{W}_R$  is the Weyl group of the 3-extended affine root system  $R$ . In the case of  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$ , we set  $X = w_{\alpha_1} w_{\alpha_1+b}$ ,  $Y = w_{\alpha_1} w_{\alpha_1+a}$ ,  $Z = w_{\alpha_1} w_{\alpha_1+c}$ , and define the central elements  $\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3$ , by  $\eta_1(u) := u + \langle u, a \rangle b - \langle u, b \rangle a$ ,  $\eta_2(u) := u + \langle u, c \rangle b - \langle u, b \rangle c$ ,  $\eta_3(u) := u + \langle u, 2c \rangle a - \langle u, 2a \rangle c$ , then the following has been given in [4].

**Proposition 3.1** [4]. *The Weyl group of the 3-extended affine root system  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$  is described as follows:*

*Generators:*  $w_1 := w_{\alpha_1}$ ,  $X, Y, Z$  and the central elements  $\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3$ .

$$\text{Relations: } w_1^2 = 1, \quad \begin{cases} w_1 X w_1 X = 1 \\ w_1 Y w_1 Y = 1 \\ w_1 Z w_1 Z = 1, \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} YX = XY\eta_1 \\ ZX = XZ\eta_2 \\ ZY = YZ\eta_3. \end{cases}$$

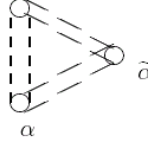
From Proposition 3.1, we obtain the following.

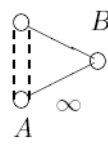
**Theorem 3.2.** *The Weyl group of the 3-extended affine root system  $A_1^{(1,1,1)}$  is described as follows:*

*Generators:* for each  $\alpha \in \Gamma(R)$ , we attach a generator  $a_\alpha := w_\alpha$ . For simplicity, we shall write  $a, a^*, \tilde{a}, b, b^*, \tilde{b}$  instead of  $a_\alpha, a_{\alpha^*}, a_{\tilde{\alpha}}, a_\beta, a_{\beta^*}, a_{\tilde{\beta}}$ .

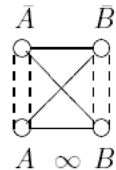
*Relations:*

$$0 \quad \alpha \circ \quad \Rightarrow a^2 = 1$$

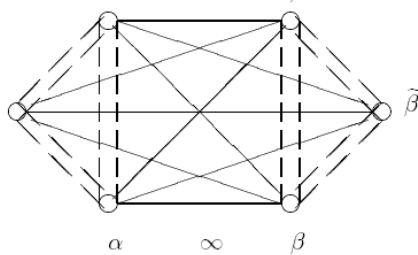
$$I.0 \quad \begin{array}{c} \alpha^* \\ \circ \\ \vdots \\ \circ \\ \alpha \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow (aa^*\tilde{a})^2 = (a^*\tilde{a}a)^2 = (\tilde{a}aa^*)^2$$


$$I.\infty \quad \begin{array}{c} \bar{A} \\ \circ \\ \vdots \\ \circ \\ A \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow (A\bar{A}B)^2 = (\bar{A}BA)^2 = (BA\bar{A})^2$$


where  $A \neq \bar{A} \in \{\alpha, \alpha^*, \tilde{\alpha}\}$ , and  $B = \beta, \beta^*, \tilde{\beta}$

$$II.\infty \quad \begin{array}{cc} \bar{A} & \bar{B} \\ \circ & \circ \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \circ & \circ \\ A & B \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow A\bar{A}B\bar{B} = \bar{A}B\bar{B}A = B\bar{B}A\bar{A} = \bar{B}A\bar{A}B$$


where  $\{A = \alpha, \bar{A} = \alpha^*, B = \beta, \bar{B} = \beta^*\}$ ,  
 $\{A = \alpha^*, \bar{A} = \tilde{\alpha}, B = \beta^*, \bar{B} = \tilde{\beta}\}$  or  
 $\{A = \alpha, \bar{A} = \tilde{\alpha}, B = \beta, \bar{B} = \tilde{\beta}\}$

$$III.\infty \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} & \alpha^* & & \beta^* & \\ & \circ & & \circ & \\ \tilde{\alpha} & \circ & \text{---} & \circ & \tilde{\beta} \\ & \vdots & & \vdots & \\ & \circ & & \circ & \\ & \alpha & \infty & \beta & \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} aa^*bb^*\tilde{a} &= \tilde{a}aa^*bb^* \\ aa^*bb^*\tilde{b} &= \tilde{b}aa^*bb^* \\ a\tilde{a}b\tilde{b}a^* &= a^*a\tilde{a}b\tilde{b} \\ a\tilde{a}b\tilde{b}b^* &= b^*a\tilde{a}b\tilde{b} \end{aligned}$$


**Proof.** In the case of *I.0* is the same as in [7], so we check the cases of *I.infinity*, *II.infinity*, and *III.infinity*.

$$(I.\infty) \quad (A\bar{A}B)^2(u) = u - \langle u, 2A - 2\bar{A} \rangle B - \langle u, -2\bar{A} - 2B \rangle A$$

$$- \langle u, 2A + 2B \rangle \bar{A} = (\bar{A}BA)^2(u) = (BA\bar{A})^2(u).$$

$$(II.\infty) \quad A\bar{A}B\bar{B}(u) = u + \langle u, d \rangle (A + B) - \langle u, A + B \rangle d = \bar{A}B\bar{B}A(u)$$

$$= B\bar{B}A\bar{A}(u) = \bar{B}A\bar{A}B(u). \quad (\bar{A} =: A + d, \bar{B} =: B + d)$$

$$(III.\infty) \quad aa^*bb^*\tilde{a}(u) = u + \langle u, a \rangle (\alpha + \beta) - \langle u, \alpha + \beta \rangle a - \langle u, \tilde{\alpha} \rangle \tilde{\alpha}$$

$$= \tilde{a}aa^*bb^*(u).$$

The others are similarly checked.

Next, we show that the relations in Theorem 3.2 are the defining relations of  $\tilde{W}_R$ . We denote by  $\tilde{W}(\Gamma(R))$  the group defined by the generators and relations in Theorem 3.2. Let  $N(R)$  be the smallest normal subgroup of  $\tilde{W}(\Gamma(R))$  containing  $\alpha_\alpha \tilde{a}_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1\}$ . Then one has a natural isomorphism

$$\tilde{W}(\Gamma(R))/N(R) \cong \tilde{W}(R_{el}).$$

The left hand side is a group obtained from  $\tilde{W}(\Gamma(R))$  by substituting  $\tilde{a}$ ,  $\tilde{b}$ , by  $a$ ,  $b$ . Therefore, it is isomorphic to the central extension  $\tilde{W}(R_{el})$  of the elliptic Weyl group associated to the elliptic root system  $R_{el}$  [6]. For the proof of Theorem 3.2, we prepare the following.

**Lemma 3.3.** *We set  $\gamma_3 := (w_1 w_1^* \tilde{w}_1)^2$ , then*

$$(i) \quad \gamma_3 = (w_0 w_0^* \tilde{w}_0)^2,$$

$$(ii) \quad \gamma_3 \text{ is a central element in } \tilde{W}(\Gamma(R)),$$

$$(iii) \quad N(R) \text{ is an abelian group generated by } T_\alpha := \alpha_\alpha \tilde{a}_\alpha \text{ for } \alpha \in \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1\} \text{ and } \gamma_3.$$

**Proof.**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) } \gamma_3 &= (w_1 w_1^* \tilde{w}_1)^2 \\
 &= w_1 w_1^* \tilde{w}_1 w_1 \tilde{w}_0 w_0 w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1^* \tilde{w}_1 \\
 &= w_1 w_1^* w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1^* w_1 \tilde{w}_0 w_0 \quad (\text{by } \tilde{w}_1 w_1 \tilde{w}_0 w_0 w_1^* = w_1^* \tilde{w}_1 w_1 \tilde{w}_0 w_0) \\
 &= w_1 w_1^* w_0 w_0^* w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 w_1^* w_1 \tilde{w}_0 w_0 \\
 &= w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 w_0 w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 w_0 \quad (\text{by } w_1 w_1^* w_0 w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 = \tilde{w}_0 w_1 w_1^* w_0 w_0^*) \\
 &= (w_0 w_0^* \tilde{w}_0)^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) It is trivial from the relations

$$\begin{aligned}
 (w_1 w_1^* \tilde{w}_1)^2 &= (w_1^* \tilde{w}_1 w_1)^2 = (\tilde{w}_1 w_1 w_1^*)^2 = (w_0 w_0^* \tilde{w}_0)^2 \\
 &= (w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 w_0)^2 = (\tilde{w}_0 w_0 w_0^*)^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) We show that the subgroup generated by  $T_\alpha$  (for  $\alpha \in \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1\}$ ) and  $\gamma_3$  is closed under the adjoint action  $Ad_{a_\alpha}$ ,  $\forall \alpha \in \Gamma(R)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 Ad_{\alpha_0}(T_{\alpha_1}) &= w_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_0 = w_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_0 \tilde{w}_0 \tilde{w}_0 \\
 &= w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_0 \tilde{w}_0 = T_{\alpha_0}^2 T_{\alpha_1}, \\
 Ad_{\alpha_0^*}(T_{\alpha_1}) &= w_0^* w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_0^* = w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 w_0 w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_0^* \\
 &= w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 w_0 w_0^* \tilde{w}_0 w_0 w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 = \gamma_3 T_{\alpha_0}^2 T_{\alpha_1}, \\
 Ad_{\tilde{\alpha}_0}(T_{\alpha_1}) &= \tilde{w}_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 \tilde{w}_0 = w_0 w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 \tilde{w}_0 \\
 &= w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1 = T_{\alpha_0}^2 T_{\alpha_1}, \\
 Ad_{\alpha_1^*}(T_{\alpha_1}) &= w_1^* w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_1^* = w_1^* w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_1^* w_1 \tilde{w}_1 w_1 = \gamma_3^{-1} T_{\alpha_1}^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$Ad_{\alpha_1}(T_{\alpha_0}) = T_{\alpha_0} T_{\alpha_1}^2, \quad Ad_{\alpha_1}^*(T_{\alpha_0}) = \gamma_3 T_{\alpha_1}^2 T_{\alpha_0},$$

$$Ad_{\tilde{\alpha}_1}(T_{\alpha_0}) = T_{\alpha_0} T_{\alpha_1}^2, \quad Ad_{\alpha_0}^*(T_{\alpha_0}) = \gamma_3^{-1} T_{\alpha_0}^{-1}.$$

**The Proof of Theorem 3.2.** Let  $N$  be a subgroup generated by  $Z, \eta_2$  and  $\eta_3$ . Then  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $\tilde{W}_R$  and there is an isomorphism  $\tilde{W}_R/N \cong \tilde{W}(R_{el})$ , where  $\tilde{W}(R_{el}) \cong \langle w_1, X, Y, \eta_1 \rangle$ . So we have the commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 1 & \rightarrow & N(R) & \rightarrow & \tilde{W}(\Gamma(R)) & \rightarrow & \tilde{W}(R_{el}) & \rightarrow & 1 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \\ 1 & \rightarrow & N & \rightarrow & \tilde{W}_R & \rightarrow & \tilde{W}(R_{el}) & \rightarrow & 1 \end{array}$$

By the same argument in the case of the elliptic Weyl group [6], noting the expression of  $\eta_2$  is generated by  $Y$ , we see that the first arrow is an isomorphism. Therefore the middle arrow is also an isomorphism.

Let us denote  $\dot{w}_\alpha$  be the reflection in  $GL(V)$  such that  $w_\alpha|_V = \dot{w}_\alpha$ , and set  $W_R = \langle \dot{w}_\alpha \mid \alpha \in R \rangle$ . Then, from the same argument in the elliptic case [6] and Proposition 3.1, we see the following.

**Proposition 3.4.** (i) *The central elements  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2 \in \tilde{W}(\Gamma(R))$  corresponding to  $\eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$  are given as follows:*

$$\gamma_1 = w_0 w_0^* w_1 w_1^*, \quad \gamma_2 = w_0 \tilde{w}_0 w_1 \tilde{w}_1.$$

(ii) *We have an isomorphism  $\tilde{W}(\Gamma(R))/\langle \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 \rangle \cong W_R$ .*

**Proof.** (i) is directly checked and (ii) is trivial.

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