

THE DYNKIN DIAGRAMS PACKAGE

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1. QUICK INTRODUCTION

This is a test of the Dynkin diagram package. Load the package via

`\usepackage{dynkin-diagrams}`

and invoke it directly:

The flag variety of pointed lines in projective 3-space is associated to the Dynkin diagram $\star \rightarrow \star \rightarrow \bullet$.

1 The flag variety of pointed lines in
2 projective 3-space is associated to
3 the Dynkin diagram `\dynk[parabolic=3]{A}{3}`.

or use the long form inside a `\tikz` statement or environment:

$\star \rightarrow \star \rightarrow \bullet$

1 `\tikz \dynkin[parabolic=3]{A}{3};`

With labels for the roots:

$\begin{smallmatrix} \star & \rightarrow & \star & \rightarrow & \bullet \\ 0 & & 1 & & 2 \end{smallmatrix}$

1 `\tikz \dynkin[parabolic=3,label=true]{A}{3};`

Inside an environment:

$\begin{smallmatrix} \star & \rightarrow & \star & \rightarrow & \bullet \\ 0 & & 1 & & 2 \end{smallmatrix}$

1 `\begin{tikzpicture}`
2 `\dynkin[parabolic=3,label=true]{A}{3}`
3 `\end{tikzpicture}`

Make up your own labels for the roots:

$\star \rightarrow \star \rightarrow \bullet_{\alpha_2}$

1 `\begin{tikzpicture}`
2 `\dynkin[parabolic=3]{A}{3};`
3 `\node at (root label 2) {\scalebox{.7}{\(\alpha_2\)}};`
4 `\end{tikzpicture}`

Drawing curves between the roots:



```

1 \begin{tikzpicture}
2 \dynkin[parabolic=429]{E}{8}
3 \draw[brown,-latex]
4   (root 3.south)
5   to [out=-90, in=-90]
6   (root 6.south);
7 \end{tikzpicture}

```

Various options:



```

1 \tikz \dynkin[color=brown]{G}{2};

```



```

1 \tikz \dynkin[edgelenh=1.2,parabolic=3]{A}{3};

```



```

1 \tikz \dynkin[crosssize=.1cm,parabolic=3]{A}{3};

```



```

1 \tikz \dynkin[dotradius=.08cm,parabolic=3]{A}{3};

```



```

1 \begin{tikzpicture}[
2   show background rectangle,
3   background rectangle/.style={ fill =lightgray}]
4 \dynkin[parabolic=1,background color=lightgray]{G}{2}
5 \end{tikzpicture}

```

2. SYNTAX

Inside a `\tikz` environment, the syntax is `\dynkin[<options>]{<letter>}{<rank>}` where `<letter>` is *A, B, C, D, E, F* or *G*, the family of root system for the Dynkin diagram, and `<rank>` is an integer representing the rank, or is the symbol `*` to represent an indefinite rank:



```

1 \begin{tikzpicture}
2 \dynkin[parabolic=5]{D}{*}
3 \end{tikzpicture}

```

Outside a `\tikz` environment, use `\dynk` instead of `\dynkin`.

3. OPTIONS

`parabolic = \langle integer \rangle , default = 0`

A parabolic subgroup with specified integer, where the integer is computed as $n = \sum 2^i a_i$, $a_i = 0$ or 1 , to say that root i is crossed, i.e. a noncompact root.

`color = \langle color name \rangle , default = black`

`background color = \langle color name \rangle , default = white`

This only says what color you have already set for the background rectangle. It is needed precisely for the G_2 root system, to draw the triple line correctly, and only when your background color is not white.

`dotradius = \langle number \rangle cm, default = .04cm`

size of the dots in the Dynkin diagram

`edgelenlength = \langle number \rangle cm, default = .35cm`

distance between nodes in the Dynkin diagram

`crosssize = \langle number \rangle , default = 1.5`

size of the crosses, for parabolic subgroup diagrams.

`label = true or false, default = false`

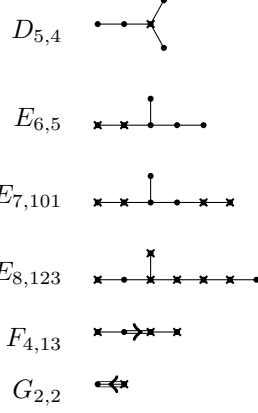
whether to label the roots by their root numbers.

4. FINDING THE ROOTS

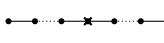

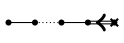

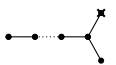
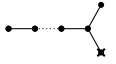



The roots are labelled in the Bourbaki labelling, but from 0 to $r - 1$, where r is the rank. The command sets up nodes (`root 0`), (`root 1`), and so on. Use these tikz nodes to draw on the Dynkin diagram. It also sets up nodes (`root label 0`), (`root label 1`), and so on for the labels.

5. EXAMPLE: SOME PARABOLIC SUBGROUPS

$A_{1,0}$ \bullet
 $A_{1,1}$ \times
 $A_{2,0}$ $\bullet \rightarrow \bullet$
 $A_{2,2}$ $\bullet \rightarrow \times$
 $A_{2,2}$ $\bullet \rightarrow \times$
 $B_{2,3}$ $\times \rightarrow \times$
 $C_{3,5}$ $\times \rightarrow \bullet \leftarrow \times$



6. EXAMPLE: THE HERMITIAN SYMMETRIC SPACES

A_n		Grassmannian of k -planes in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}
B_n		$(2n - 1)$ -dimensional hyperquadric, i.e. the variety of null lines in \mathbb{C}^{2n+1}
C_n		space of Lagrangian n -planes in \mathbb{C}^{2n}
D_n		$(2n - 2)$ -dimensional hyperquadric, i.e. the variety of null lines in \mathbb{C}^{2n}
D_n		one component of the variety of maximal dimension null subspaces of \mathbb{C}^{2n}
D_n		the other component
E_6		complexified octave projective plane
E_6		its dual plane
E_7		the space of null octave 3-planes in octave 6-space