### Orbit graphs of associated varieties

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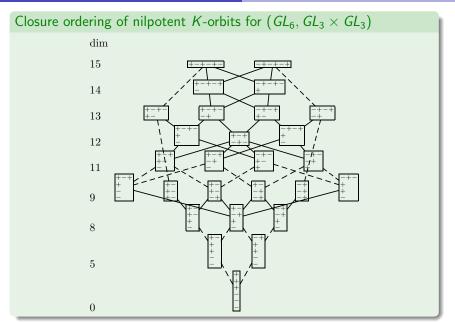
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### type AIII

We are concentrating on type AIII case:

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#### Some remarks:

- Notion of admissible orbits ... Ohta(1991), Noël(2001)
- Orbits with different shapes can share codim 1 boundary
- Special piece? Singularities?

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Examples of signed Young diagram 
$$(p, q) = (4, 4)$$

shape : 
$$\lambda = (3, 2, 2, 1) =$$
 (Jordan blocks)











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- parity condition :  $p-q = \sum_{i_r \text{ odd}} (m^+(i_r) - m^-(i_r)) = 2 \sum_{i_r \text{ odd}} m^+(i_r) - \sum_{i_r \text{ odd}} m(i_r).$

#### Remark

Difference  $m^+(i_r) - m^-(i_r)$  contributes only when row length  $i_r$  is odd (if even, the same number of +'s and -'s appear)

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Thus we are left to determine the edges of the orbit graph.

### Theorem (Description of Edge)

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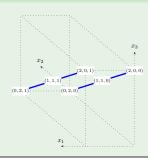
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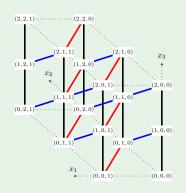
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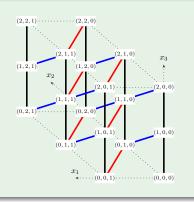
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#### we can thus construct

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Thank you for your attention!!