

# On Generalization of Weyl Group Orbit Functions

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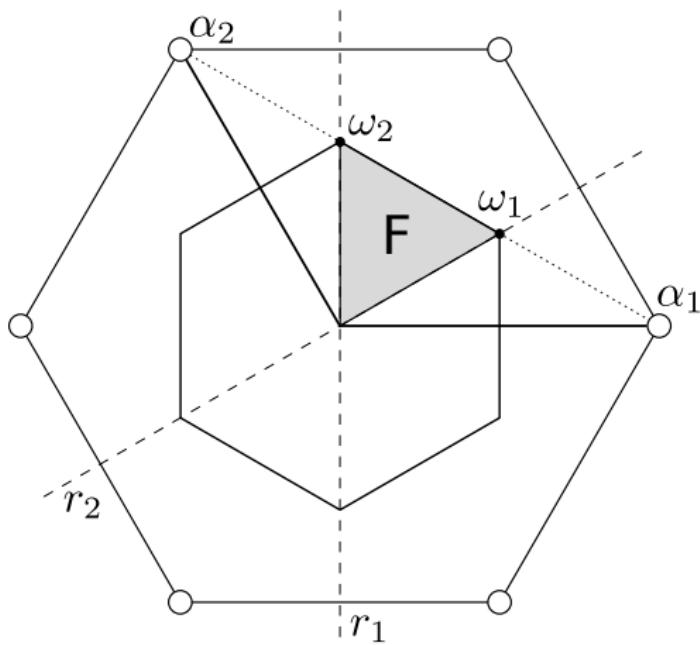
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- Its fundamental domain  $F$  -  $n$ -dimensional simplex.

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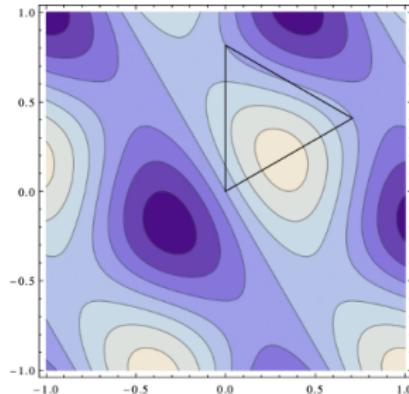
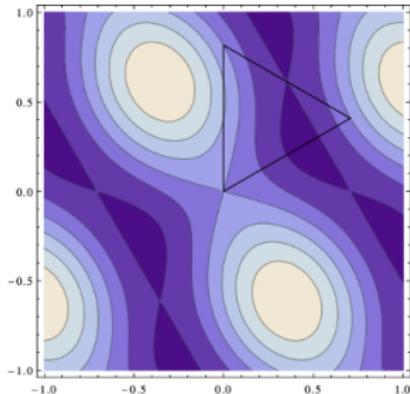
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- Relations:

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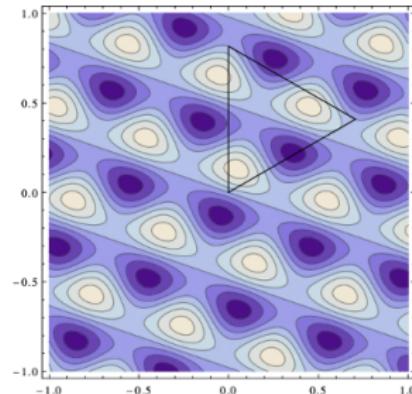
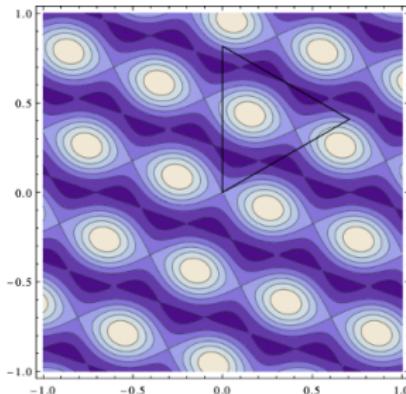
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