

On the Morse Complex of Complexified
Arrangements

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We consider the following situation:

Let $\mathcal{A} := \{H\}$ be an *arrangement of hyperplanes* (locally finite, affine).

Let

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) := \mathbb{C}^n \setminus \bigcup_{H \in \mathcal{A}} H$$

Motivations:

- singularities (e.g., simple singularities), Milnor fibers
- Braid groups and generalizations (Artin groups, Coxeter groups)
- $\mathcal{M}_{0,n}$
- Configuration Spaces
- Combinatorics
- Root systems, splines, partition functions, hypergeometric functions,
- etc.

Some well known facts

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1. $H^*(M(Q); \mathbb{Z}) =$ Orlik-Solomon algebra $\frac{E}{I}$
it is a free \mathbb{Z} -module

associate lattice of intersections $L(Q)$

then: $H^*(M(Q); \mathbb{Z})$ depends only on $L(Q)$.

i.e. $L(Q) \cong L(Q') \Rightarrow H^*(M(Q); \mathbb{Z}) \cong H^*(M(Q'); \mathbb{Z})$

2. $L(Q) \cong L(Q') \not\Rightarrow M(Q) \sim M(Q')$

(counterexample by Rybnikov, where $\pi_1(M(Q)) \neq \pi_1(M(Q'))$)

[~~not~~ \Rightarrow true for special lattices]

3. Deligne thm: assume:

(i) all $H \in Q$ are defined over \mathbb{R}

(ii) the connected components of $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \cup H$ (chambers)

are simplicial cones

then: $M(Q)$ is a $K(\pi, 1)$ -space

Local systems on $M(\mathbb{Q})$ \longleftrightarrow $\pi_1(M(\mathbb{Q}))$ -modules R

try to calculate

$$H^*(M(\mathbb{Q}); R)$$

abelian local systems factor through $H_1 (\cong \mathbb{Z}^{|\mathcal{Q}|})$

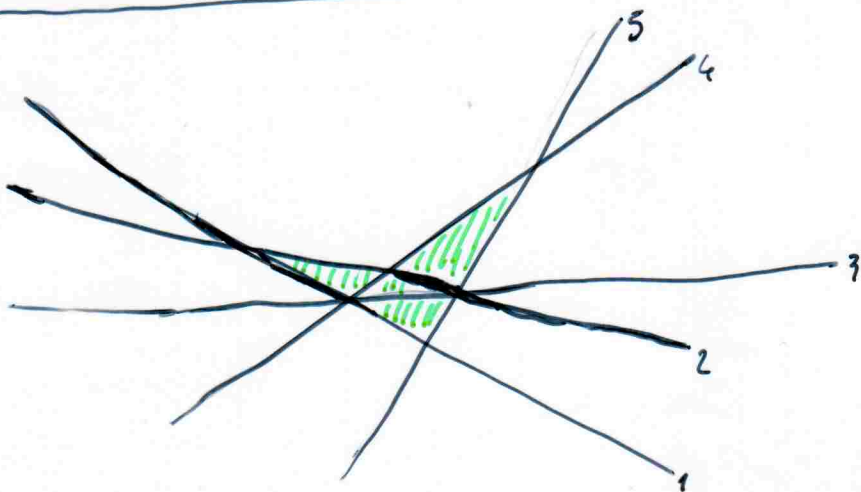
so they are given by a collection $t = \{t_H, H \in \mathcal{Q}, t_H \in \text{Aut}(R)\}$

Thm Assume \mathcal{Q} real. Then for generic $t = \{t_H \in \mathbb{C}^*\}$

$$H^k(M(\mathbb{Q}); \mathbb{C}_t) = 0 \quad \text{if } k < n$$

$$\dim H^n(M(\mathbb{Q}); \mathbb{C}_t) = \# \text{ bounded chambers}$$

Characteristic varieties: $t \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^{|\mathcal{Q}|}$ s.t. dimensions
jump



$$\dim H_2(M(\mathbb{Q}), \mathbb{C}_t) = 4$$

for generic $t = (t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5)$

Among local systems, it is particularly interesting the case of the π_1 -module $R[t^{\pm 1}]$, R any ring, with action:

elem. loop around hyperplane $\rightarrow t$. multiplication.

In fact

$$H^*(M(\mathcal{A}); R[t^{\pm 1}]) \cong H^*(F; R) \quad F: \text{Milnor fibers}$$

as $R[t^{\pm 1}]$ -modules, where t -action on the right is given by the classical monodromy.

Many computations were done for Coxeter arrangements

In this case one has orbit space

$$M(\mathcal{A})/W, \quad W \text{ reflection group}$$

and $\pi_1(M(\mathcal{A})/W) = \text{Artin group of type } W$

$$Br_n = \pi_1(M(\mathcal{A})/\Sigma_n) \quad \mathcal{A} = \{z_i = z_j\}$$

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 braid group

Case A_n : classical works by Arnold, Brieskorn, etc.

over \mathbb{Q} more recently F. Cohen, Veisstein, Frankel, Selig '94

- D. Cohen-Suciu; De Concini-~~Procesi~~-Procesi-Sac. - '02 (Topol)

- F. Callegaro (2006) Alg. Geom. Topol (complete calculations over \mathbb{Z})

Case B_n, D_n : De Concini-Procesi-Schütt '02

Exceptional groups: Callegaro-Sel. '04

Case \tilde{A}_n : Callegaro-Moroni-Sel. '08 Trans. Amer. Math. Soc

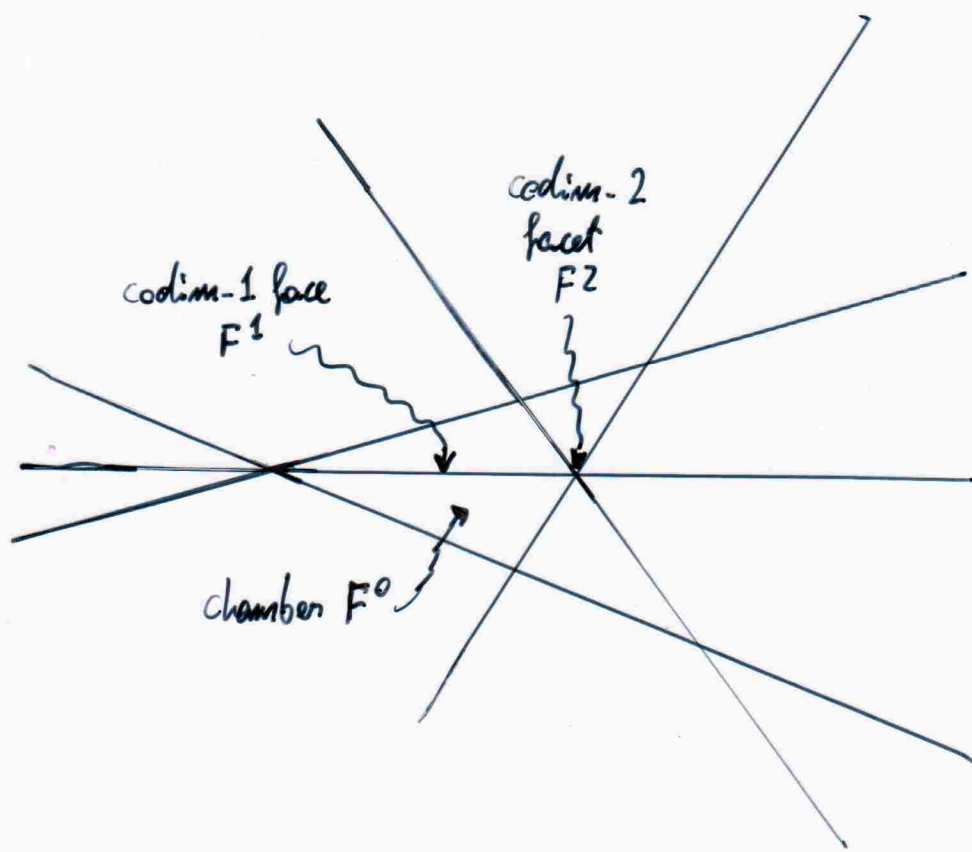
Case \tilde{B}_n : Callegaro-Moroni-Sel.

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to appear in JEMS

- A. Dimca - S. Papadimitropoulos "Hypersurface complements, Milnor fibers and higher homotopy groups of arrangements", *ANN. OF MATH.* (2003)
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If \mathcal{A} is defined over \mathbb{R} , there is more structure: so called "oriented matroid". [Thm: $\text{OM}(\mathcal{A}) \cong \text{OM}(\mathcal{A}') \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) \cong \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}')$]



$\mathcal{S} = (\{F^k\}, <)$ stratification of \mathbb{R}^n induced by the arrangement $\mathcal{A} = \{H\}$

$$F < G \quad \text{iff} \quad G \subset \text{clos}(F)$$

We want to find a discrete Morse function or a discrete gradient vector field over the

Schubert complex $\mathcal{S} \simeq \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathbb{C}^n \setminus \bigcup_{H \in \mathcal{A}} H_{\mathbb{C}}$

with minimal numbers of critical cells.

Recall:

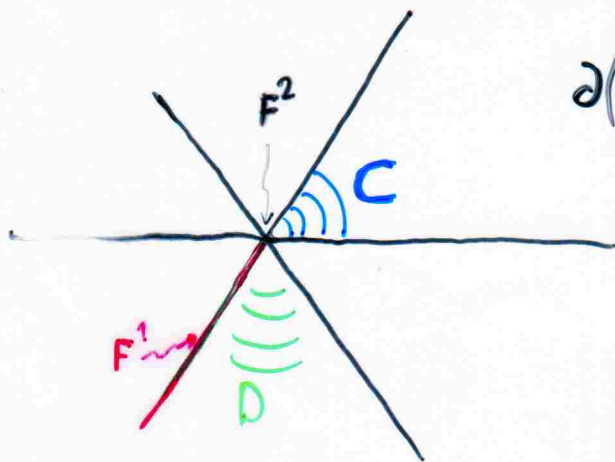
$$1) \{k\text{-cells of } S\} \longleftrightarrow \{ \text{pairs } [C \prec F^k] \}$$

2) a cell $[D \prec G]$ is in the boundary of $[C \prec F]$ iff

i) $G \prec F$ and ~~$D \prec G$~~

ii) $D = C.G$

where $C.G$ means the unique chamber of \mathcal{A} containing G in its closure and being in the same chamber of $\mathcal{A}_{|G|} = \{ H \in \mathcal{A} \mid G \subset H \}$ as the chamber C



$$\partial([C \prec F^2]) \supset [D \prec F^1]$$

\downarrow \downarrow
 2-cell 1-cell

Discrete Morse functions

Let $K = \{\sigma\}$ be finite regular CW-complex

def. A discrete Morse function over K is a function

$$f: K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

satisfying $\forall \sigma^{(p)} \in K$

$$(i) \# \{ \tau^{(p+1)} > \sigma^{(p)} \mid f(\tau^{(p+1)}) \leq f(\sigma^{(p)}) \} \leq 1$$

$$(ii) \# \{ \tau^{(p-1)} < \sigma^{(p)} \mid f(\sigma^{(p)}) \leq f(\tau^{(p-1)}) \} \leq 1$$



[remark: at least one of (i), (ii) is 0, $\forall \sigma$]

Gradient vector fields.

f discrete Morse function on K . The

def discrete gradient vector field V_f of f is

$$V_f = \{ (\sigma^{(p)}, \tau^{(p+1)}) \mid \sigma^{(p)} < \tau^{(p+1)}, f(\tau^{(p+1)}) \leq f(\sigma^{(p)}) \}$$

remark each cell belongs to at most one pair of V_f .

more generally:

def A discrete vector field Φ on K is a collection of pairs

$$(\sigma^{(p)}, \tau^{(p+1)}) \in K \times K, \quad \sigma^{(p)} < \tau^{(p+1)}$$

such that $\forall \sigma \in K$, σ belongs to at most one pair of Φ .

def A Φ -path is a sequence:

$$\sigma_0^{(p)}, \tau_0^{(p+1)}, \sigma_1^{(p)}, \tau_1^{(p+1)}, \sigma_2^{(p)}, \tau_2^{(p+1)}, \dots, \tau_r^{(p+1)}, \sigma_{r+1}^{(p)}$$

such that $\forall i$: $(\sigma_i^{(p)}, \tau_i^{(p+1)}) \in \Phi$ and

$$\sigma_i^{(p)} \neq \sigma_{i+1}^{(p)} < \tau_i^{(p+1)}$$

Thm A discrete vector field Φ is the gradient vector field of a discrete Morse function iff there are no nontrivial closed Φ -paths.

R. Forman '98

critical point of index p

→ critical cell σ^p of dimension p

$$\sigma^p \text{ is critical} \Leftrightarrow \sigma^p \notin V_f \Leftrightarrow \begin{array}{l} f(\sigma^{p+1}) > f(\sigma^p) \text{ if } \sigma^p < \sigma^p \\ f(\sigma^{p-1}) < f(\sigma^p) \text{ if } \sigma^{p-1} < \sigma^p \end{array}$$

Classical Morse theory is reproduced, in particular:

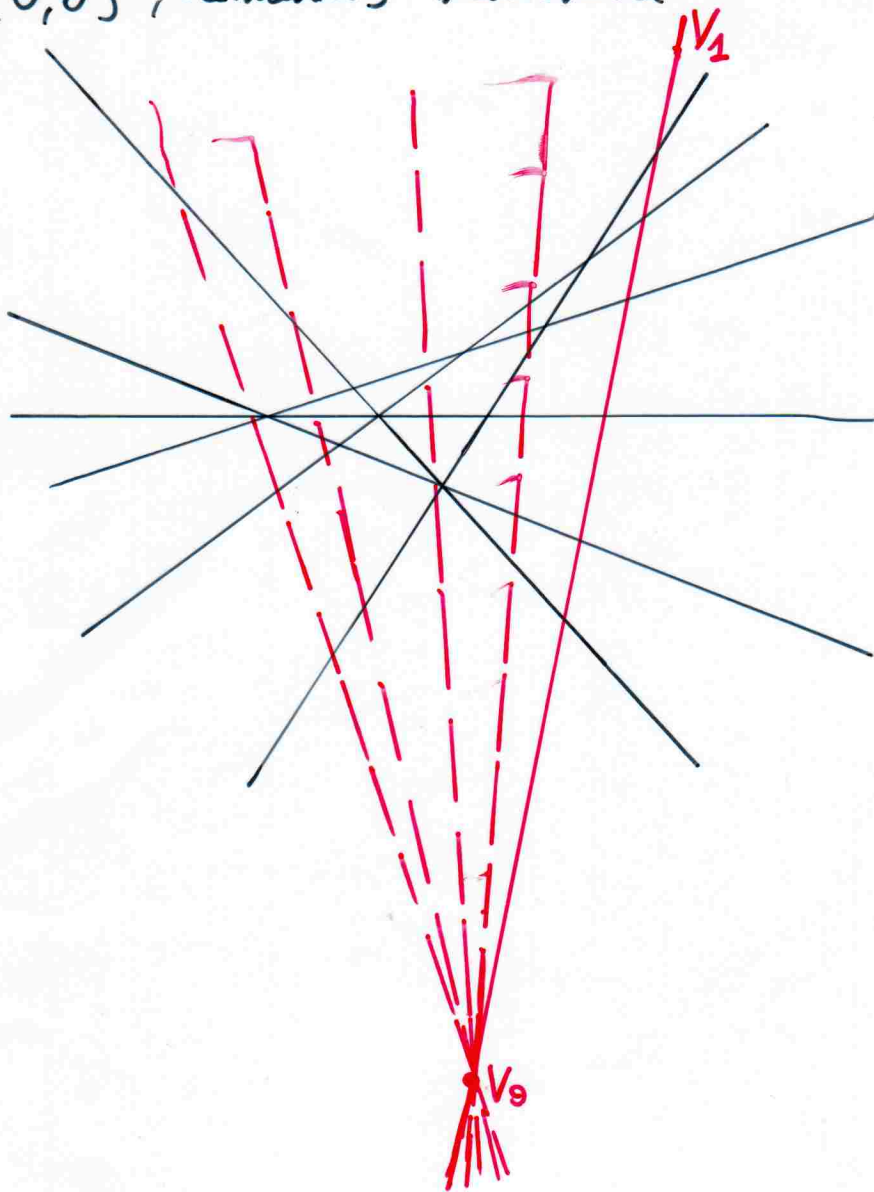
- the homotopy type of the level set $f^{-1}(-\infty, a]$ changes only when a crosses a critical value (= value of critical cell)
- the level set is obtained by attaching critical cells up to homotopy
- the homology and cohomology are obtained by a "Morse complex"

Take a complete flag

$$V_0 \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \dots \subset V_n = \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \dim V_i = i$$

which is generic w.r.t. Q :

it means that moving V_i inside a 1-parameter family of subspaces $V_i(\theta) \subset V_{i+1}$, around V_{i-1} , $\theta \in [0, \delta]$, remains transverse to the emergent.



$V = V_0, \dots, V_n$ generic flag gives a system of
polar coordinates $P \equiv (\theta_0, \dots, \theta_{n-1})$

where $\theta_0 = \|OP\|$ and

θ_i are suitably defined angles.

Proposition. For all $F \in \mathcal{S}$ it is well-defined the
first point of F , $P(F) \in \bar{F}$.

Theorem ~~■~~ To the generic polar system of coordinates
is associated a total ordering of the facets \mathcal{S}

$F \triangleleft G$ iff either $P(F) \neq P(G)$ and the coordinates of

$P(F)$ are lower than those of $P(G)$
(w.r.t. anti-lex ordering)

or $P(F) = P(G)$ but "moving" the subspace $V_i(\theta)$

which contains $P(F)$, $F \cap V(\theta + \epsilon) \triangleleft G \cap V(\theta + \epsilon)$.

Call \triangleleft the polar ordering of \mathcal{S}

Def [Polar Gradient] Define a discrete v.f. Φ over S by:
 in dimension $j+1$ it is given by all pairs

$$([C \prec F^j], [C \prec F^{j+1}]) \quad F^j \prec F^{j+1} \quad (\text{same } C)$$

where

$$- F^{j+1} \Delta F^j$$

- $\forall F^{j-1} \prec F^j$ s.t. $C \prec F^{j-1}$ the pair

$$([C \prec F^{j-1}], [C \prec F^j]) \notin \Phi_j$$

Theorem [II] (i) Φ is a combinatorial vector field on S
 which is the gradient of a discrete Morse function;

(ii) Φ is given (non-recursively) in terms of \prec, Δ by:

the pair $([C \prec F^j], [C \prec F^{j+1}])$, $F^j \prec F^{j+1}$ belongs to Φ iff:

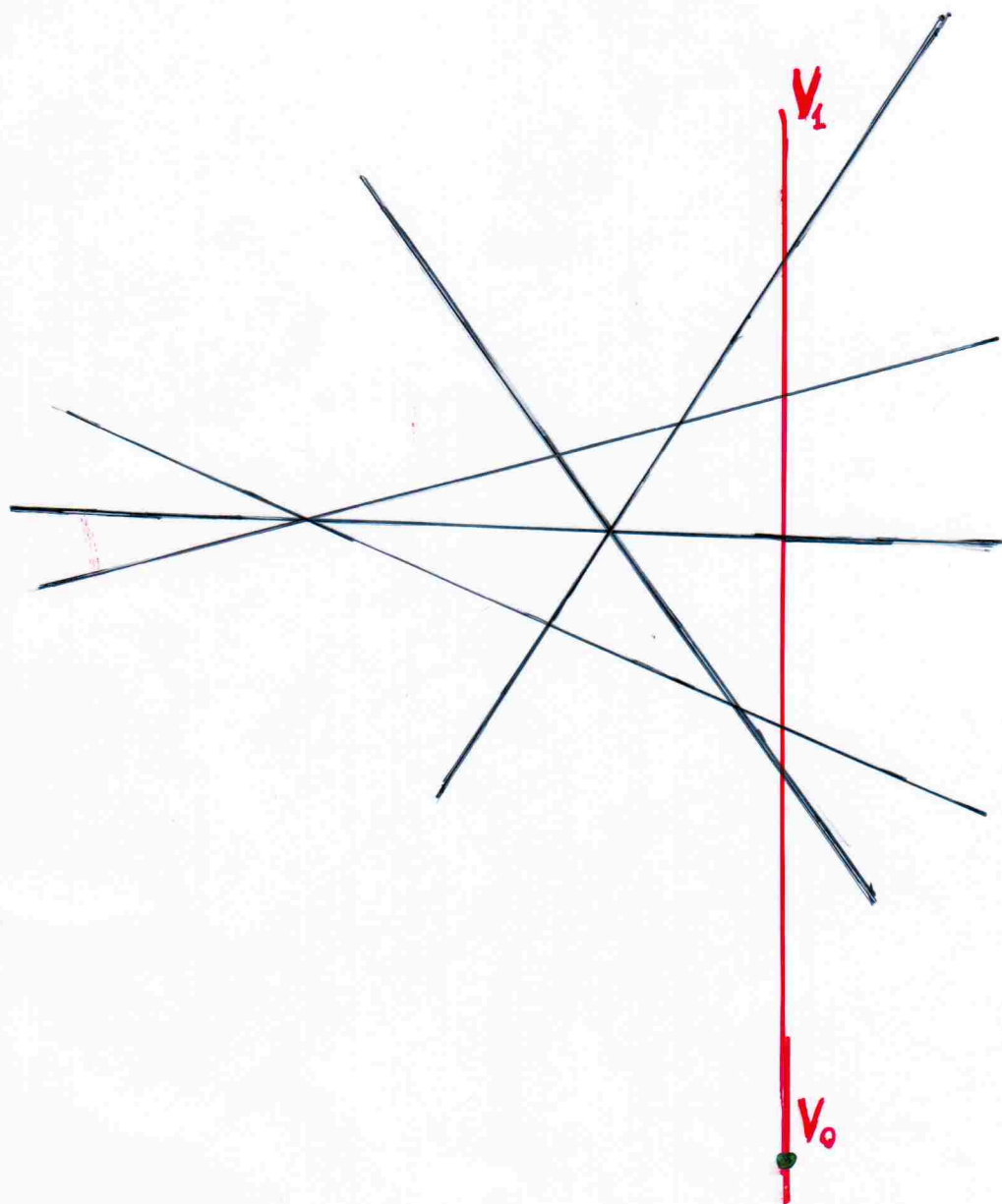
(a) $F^{j+1} \Delta F^j$

(b) $\forall F^{j-1}$ s.t. $C \prec F^{j-1} \prec F^j$ one has $F^{j-1} \Delta F^j$.

(iii) The set of k -dimensional singular cells is

$$\text{Sing}_k(S) = \{ [C \prec F^k] \mid \text{(i) } F^k \Delta F^{k+1}, \forall F^{k+1} \text{ s.t. } F^k \prec F^{k+1}$$

$$\text{(ii) } F^{k-1} \Delta F^k, \forall F^{k-1} \text{ s.t. } C \prec F^{k-1} \prec F^k \}$$



critical 2-cells: $[C \prec P]$ s.t. P is maximal among all cel
of \bar{C}

critical 1-cells: $[C \prec F]$ F 1-dim facet which intersects V

critical 0-cell: only $V_0 = [C_0 \prec C_0]$.

Def Given $P \in \mathcal{S}$ define a **block** as a sequence

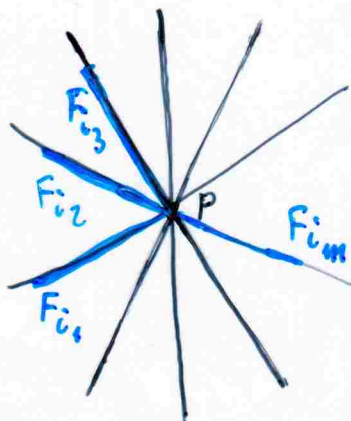
$$\mathcal{B}(P) = (F_{i_1}, \dots, F_{i_{m-1}}, F_{i_m})$$

of 1-facets s.t. $F_{i_j} \prec P$ and $P \triangleleft F_{i_j} \quad 1 \leq j \leq m-1$

$$F_{i_m} \triangleleft P$$

and

$$F_{i_1} \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft F_{i_{m-1}}$$



We can compose two blocks:

$$\mathcal{B}(P) \mathcal{B}(P') = (F_{i_1}, \dots, F_{i_m}, F'_{j_1}, \dots, F'_{j_{n-1}})$$

when $F_{i_m} \prec P'$

Def. Given a critical 2-cell $[C \prec P]$ and critical 1-cell $[D \prec G]$ define an **admissible 1-sequence** for the given pair a sequence

$$\mathcal{A} = (F_{i_1}, \dots, F_{i_h}) \quad \text{obtained by}$$

composition of blocks $\mathcal{B}(P_{i_1}) \dots \mathcal{B}(P_{i_h})$ such that

(a) $P_{i_1} = P$; (b) $F_{i_h} = G$ and $C \cdot F_{i_1} \cdot \dots \cdot F_{i_h} = D$

(c) $\forall j \quad C \cdot F_{i_1} \cdot \dots \cdot F_{i_j} \triangleleft F_{i_j}$

We want to describe explicitly the Morse complex.

In case of \mathbb{Q} -coefficients, the theory says that it is given by:

$$\rightarrow \text{Sing}_{n+1}(S) \xrightarrow{\partial_n} \text{Sing}_n(S) \xrightarrow{\partial_{n-1}} \text{Sing}_{n-1}(S) \rightarrow$$

where

$$\partial_n(e^n) = \sum_{f^{n-1} \in \text{Sing}_{n-1}} \left(\sum_u (-1)^{|u|} \right) \cdot f^{n-1}$$

where u is an alternating path between e^n and f^{n-1} , and $|u|$ is the # pairs in Φ contained in u .

For non-trivial cohomology, one has to modify by

$$\partial_n(e^n) = \sum_{f^{n-1}} \left(\sum_u (-1)^{|u|} u_{**} \right) \cdot f^{n-1}$$

Standard to associate to an admissible sequence homotopy classes of paths in $M(Q)$:

$$s = (F_{i_1}, \dots, F_{i_n}) \rightsquigarrow u(s) \in \pi_1(M(Q), P_0)$$

(Scl-Schubert)

Thm ~~Thm~~ The boundary operator ∂_k ~~[]~~ is

$$\partial_k(\ell \in e_{[C \times F^k]}) = \sum A_{[D \times G^{k-1}]}^{[C \times F^k]}(\ell) \cdot e_{[D \times G^{k-1}]}$$

where the coefficient is

$$A_{[D \times G^{k-1}]}^{[C \times F^k]} = \sum_{s \in \text{Adm. Seq}} (-1)^{\ell(s) - b(s)} u(s)_*$$

Here coefficients are over a $\pi_1(M(Q))$ -module L and $\ell \in L$, (so we are computing

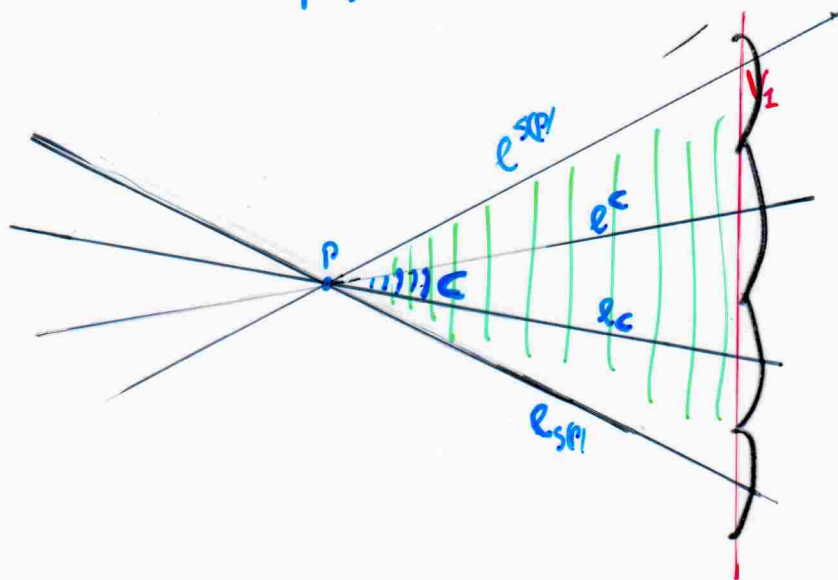
$$H_*(M(Q); L)$$

Rem 1). Thm holds for any local system.

2) For abelian local systems there are "a priori" simplifications.

Notations - $S(P) := \{\ell \in \mathcal{A} \mid P \in \ell\}$

- $\text{Cone}(P) :=$ closed cone delimited by the two lines $\ell_{S(P)}^{\min}, \ell_{S(P)}^{\max}$ with minimal and maximal index resp., and which intersects V_1 in bounded domain



- if $[C < P]$ is a critical 2-cell, let

$$U(C) := \{\ell_i \in S(P) \mid i \geq \text{index of } \ell^c\}$$

$$L(C) := \{\ell_i \in S(P) \mid i \leq \text{index of } \ell^c\}$$

- $U(P) := \{\ell \in \mathcal{A} \mid P \text{ is "below" } \ell\}$

Let now $L = L(t_1, \dots, t_m)$ be an abelian $\pi_1(M(\mathcal{A}))$ -mod. where $t_i \in \text{Aut}(L)$ is associated to an elementary loop around the line ℓ_i (well ordered).

Thm [Gaiiti-S.] Let $[C_0 \prec F_2], [C_1 \prec F_2], \dots, [C_{n-1} \prec F_n]$ be the critical 1-cells of C_* , where $\forall i, F_i \subset L_i$.

Given a critical 2-cell $[C \prec P]$, the 2-boundary of the Morse complex is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_2(\ell \cdot e_{[C \prec P]}) &= \\ &= \sum_{\substack{[C_{j-1} \prec F_j] \\ \text{s.t. } |F_j| \in SP}} \left[\prod_{\substack{i < j \text{ s.t.} \\ \ell_i \in UP}} t_i \right] \left[\prod_{\substack{i \text{ s.t.} \\ \ell_i \in [C \rightarrow |F_j|]}} t_i - \prod_{\substack{i < j \text{ s.t.} \\ \ell_i \in SP}} t_i \right] (\ell) \cdot e_{[C_{j-1} \prec F_j]} \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{[C_{j-1} \prec F_j] \text{ s.t.} \\ |F_j| \in UP \\ F_j \subset \text{Cone}(P)}} \left[\prod_{\substack{i < j \text{ s.t.} \\ \ell_i \in UP}} t_i \right] \left(1 - \prod_{\substack{i < j \text{ s.t.} \\ \ell_i \in L(C)}} t_i \right) \left(\prod_{\substack{i < j \text{ s.t.} \\ \ell_i \in U(C)}} t_i - \prod_{\substack{i \text{ s.t.} \\ \ell_i \in U(C)}} t_i \right) (\ell) \cdot e_{[C_{j-1} \prec F_j]} \end{aligned}$$

Here $[C \rightarrow |F_j|]$ means

$$\{\ell_k \in U(C) \mid k < j\} \text{ if } |F_j| \in U(C)$$

$$\{\ell_k \in SP \mid k < j\} \cup U(C) \text{ if } |F_j| \in L(C)$$

[~~note~~: if \prod is empty then it is 1 by convention]

1. THE CENTRAL CASE

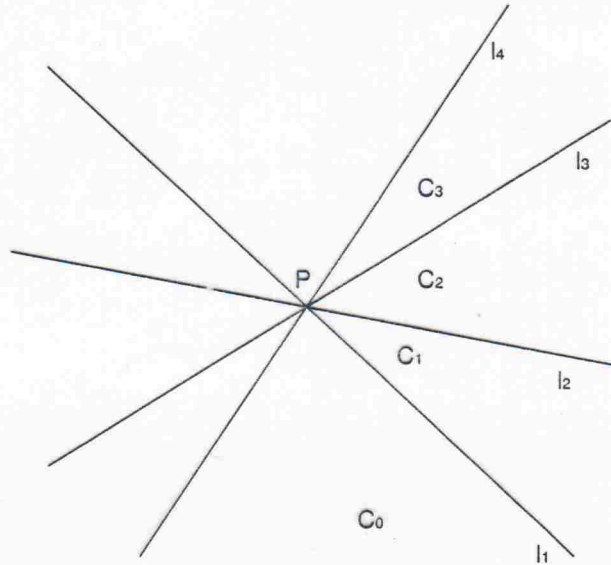
In \mathfrak{S} we find three 2-cells:

$$[C_1 \prec P], [C_2 \prec P], [C_3 \prec P]$$

four 1-cells:

$$[C_0 \prec F_1], [C_1 \prec F_2], [C_2 \prec F_3], [C_3 \prec F_4]$$

and the 0-cell $[C_0 \prec C_0]$.



$$[\partial_2] = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{[C_1 \prec P]}{t_2 t_3 t_4 - 1} & \frac{[C_2 \prec P]}{t_3 t_4 - 1} & \frac{[C_3 \prec P]}{t_4 - 1} \\ 1 - t_1 & t_1 t_3 t_4 - t_1 & t_1 t_4 - t_1 \\ t_2 - t_1 t_2 & 1 - t_1 t_2 & t_1 t_2 t_4 - t_1 t_2 \\ t_2 t_3 - t_1 t_2 t_3 & t_3 - t_1 t_2 t_3 & 1 - t_1 t_2 t_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cong \begin{pmatrix} t_2 t_3 t_4 - 1 & t_3 t_4 - 1 & t_4 - 1 \\ 1 - t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The characteristic variety $V_1^1(\mathcal{A})$ is therefore equal to

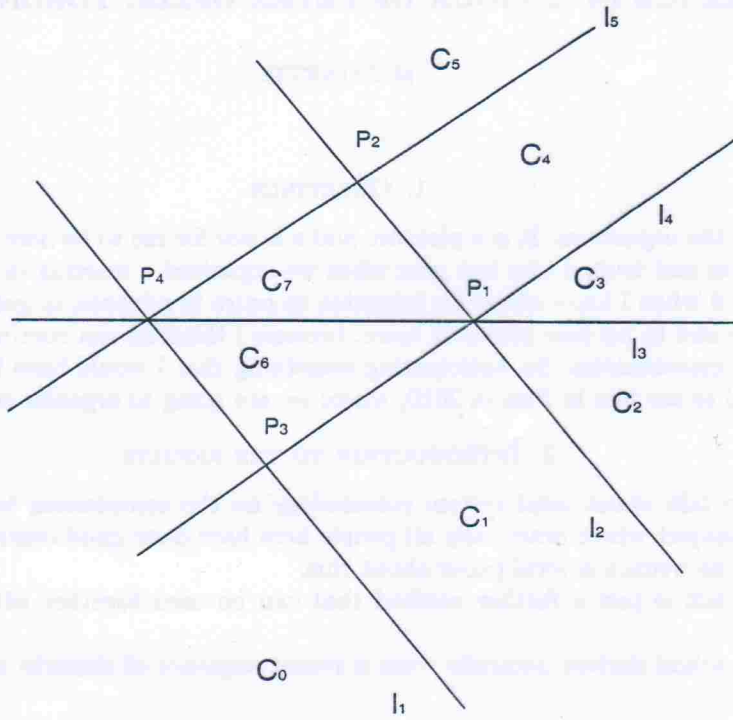
$$V_1^1(\mathcal{A}) = \{(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4) \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 = 1\}$$

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$$H_2(\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{Q}); \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) \cong 0 ; H_1(\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{Q}); \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t^n - 1)} \right)^{n-2}$$

$$H_0(\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{Q}); \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t-1)} \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

3. EXAMPLE: DECONING A_3



$$\begin{pmatrix} [C_1 \prec P_3] & [C_2 \prec P_1] & [C_3 \prec P_1] & [C_4 \prec P_2] & [C_6 \prec P_4] & [C_7 \prec P_4] \\ t_4 - 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & t_3 t_5 - 1 & t_5 - 1 \\ 1 - t_1 - t_4 + t_1 t_4 & t_3 t_4 - 1 & t_4 - 1 & t_5 - 1 & 1 - t_3 t_5 - t_1 + t_1 t_3 t_5 & 1 - t_5 - t_1 + t_1 t_5 \\ t_2(1 - t_1 - t_4 + t_1 t_4) & 1 - t_2 & t_2(t_4 - 1) & 0 & t_2(1 - t_1) & t_1 t_2(t_5 - 1) \\ t_2 t_3(1 - t_1) & t_3(1 - t_2) & 1 - t_2 t_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 - t_2 & t_2 t_3(1 - t_1) & t_2(1 - t_1 t_3) \end{pmatrix}$$

The five irreducible components of the characteristic variety $V_1^1(\mathcal{A})$ are:
 $t_1 = t_2 = t_3 = 1$, $t_2 = t_4 = t_1 t_3 t_5 = 1$, $t_1 = t_5 = t_2 t_3 t_4 = 1$, $t_3 = t_4 = t_5 = 1$
 and

$$(t_1 = t_4) \cap (t_2 = t_5) \cap (t_3 t_4 t_5 = 1).$$

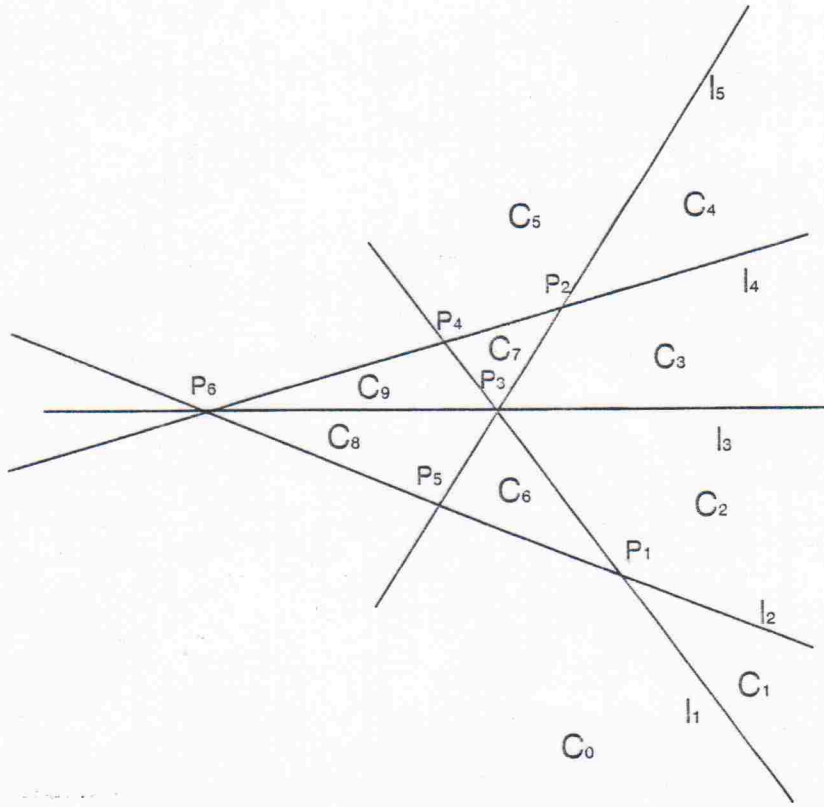
Specializing to the case when $t_1 = t_2 = \dots = t_n = t$ we obtain:

$$H_2(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) \cong (\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}])^2$$

$$H_1(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) \cong \left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t-1)} \right)^3 \oplus \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t^3-1)} \cong \mathbb{Z}^3 \oplus \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t^3-1)}$$

$$H_0(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t-1)} \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

2. EXAMPLE: TWO CONNECTED TRIPLE POINTS



$$\left(\begin{array}{cccccccc} [C_1 \prec P_1] & [C_2 \prec P_3] & [C_3 \prec P_3] & [C_4 \prec P_2] & [C_6 \prec P_5] & [C_7 \prec P_4] & [C_8 \prec P_6] & [C_9 \prec P_6] \\ t_2 - 1 & t_3 t_5 - 1 & t_5 - 1 & 0 & 0 & t_4 - 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 - t_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & t_1(t_5 - 1) & 0 & t_1(t_3 t_4 - 1) & t_1(t_4 - 1) \\ 0 & 1 - t_1 & t_1(t_5 - 1) & 0 & t_1 c(t_2, t_5) & 0 & t_1(1 - t_2) & t_1 t_2(t_4 - 1) \\ 0 & t_3 a(t_1, t_5) & b(t_1, t_3, t_5) & t_5 - 1 & t_1 t_3 c(t_2, t_5) & 1 - t_1 & t_1 t_3(1 - t_2) & t_1(1 - t_2 t_3) \\ 0 & t_3 t_4(1 - t_1) & t_4(1 - t_1 t_3) & 1 - t_4 & t_1 t_3 t_4(1 - t_2) & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

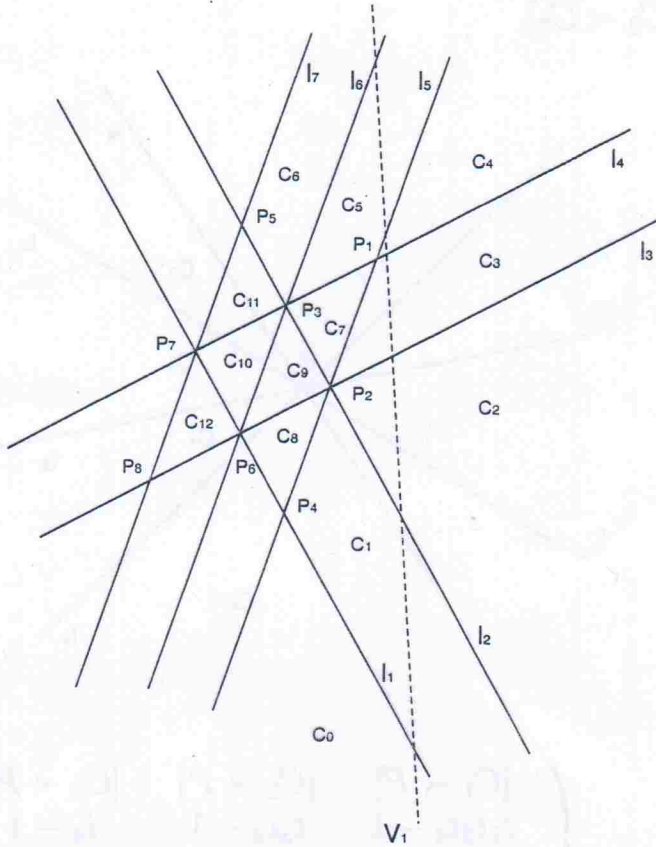
where $a(t_1, t_5) = (1 - t_1)(1 - t_5)$, $b(t_1, t_3, t_5) = (1 - t_1)(1 - t_3 - t_5)$, $c(t_2, t_5) = (1 - t_2)(1 - t_5)$.

The components of $V_1^1(\mathcal{A})$ are

$$t_1 = t_5 = t_2 t_3 t_4 = 1$$

$$t_2 = t_4 = t_1 t_3 t_5 = 1$$

4. EXAMPLE: DECONING THE DELETED B_3 ARRANGEMENT



$$\begin{aligned}
 &t_1 - t_4 = 0, \quad t_2 + t_4 t_7 = 0, \quad t_3 + t_4 t_7 = 0, \quad t_4^2 - t_5 = 0, \quad t_5 t_7 - 1 = 0, \quad t_6 + 1 = 0 \\
 &t_1 t_6 t_7 - 1 = 0, \quad t_2 - 1 = 0, \quad t_3 - t_7 = 0, \quad t_4 - t_6 = 0, \quad t_5 - 1 = 0 \\
 &t_1 - t_6 = 0, \quad t_2 - t_7 = 0, \quad t_3 - 1 = 0, \quad t_4 t_6 t_7 - 1 = 0, \quad t_5 - 1 = 0 \\
 &t_1 t_4 t_7 - 1 = 0, \quad t_2 - 1 = 0, \quad t_3 - 1 = 0, \quad t_5 - 1 = 0, \quad t_6 - 1 = 0 \\
 &t_1 t_3 t_6 - 1 = 0, \quad t_2 - 1 = 0, \quad t_4 - 1 = 0, \quad t_5 - 1 = 0, \quad t_7 - 1 = 0 \\
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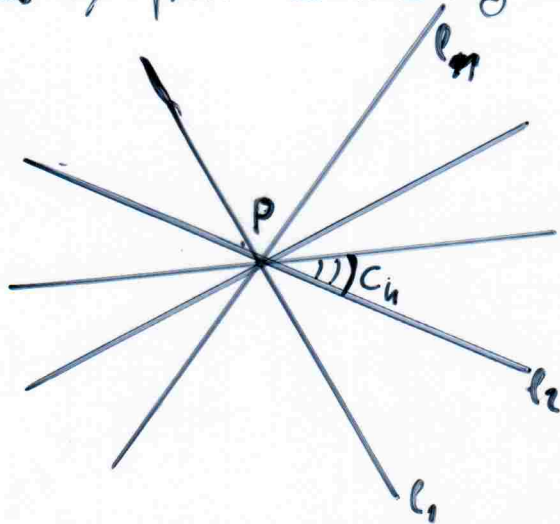
Specializing to the case with $t_1 = t_2 = \dots = t_n = t$ we obtain that the kernel of ∂_2 is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}])^4$ and the image of ∂_2 can be identified with the submodule

$$\{(t-1)(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, 0) \mid p_i \in \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]\}$$

of $(\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}])^5$. We have therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} H_2(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) &\cong (\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}])^4 \\ H_1(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) &\cong \left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t-1)} \right)^4 \cong \mathbb{Z}^4 \\ H_0(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]) &\cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t-1)} \cong \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

Proof is obtained by first considering the central case:



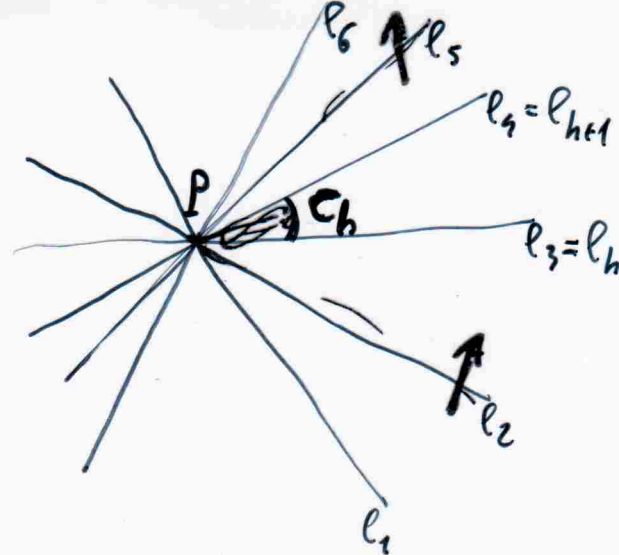
Thm $\partial_2(l, e_{C_h < P}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left[\prod_{l_i \in [C_h \rightarrow l_i]} t_i - \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j-1} t_i \right] (e) \cdot e_{[j, n]}$

which is obtained through simplification over the admissible paths;

second, one uses induction over the number of points P_i .



Proof (central core)



Take into account all admissible sequences from $[C_h \prec P]$ to $[C_{j-1} \prec F_j]$

I) $j \leq h$. Then \forall any adm. seq. $s = (F_{i_1}, \dots, F_{i_j})$ one has $P \triangleleft F_{i_1}$ and $|F_{i_i}| = l_i$ with $i \geq h+1$.

Now fix the last element of s which is bigger than P .

The point is that the contribution is the same, up to sign which is ± 1 according whether # facets of s is odd or even.

Then the sum vanishes except when the last element bigger than

P lies in $\boxed{l_m}$ or in $\boxed{l_h}$

First case $\Rightarrow \exists$ unique adm. seq. which gives $-\prod_{i=1}^{j-1} t_i$

Second case \Rightarrow partitioning according to the first element F'_{j_1}
it remains only the sequence (F'_{h+1}, F'_h, F_j) which gives

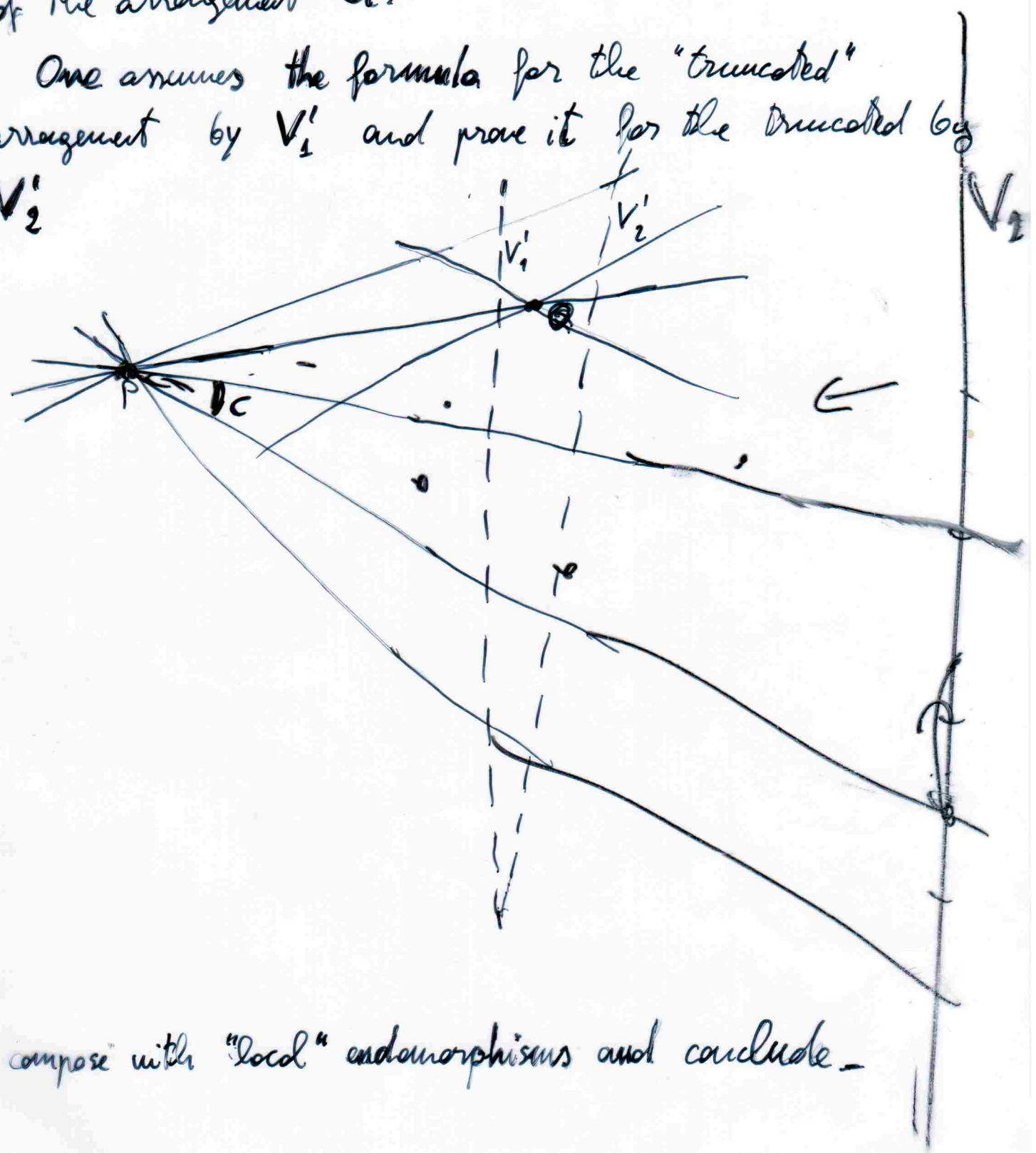
$$\prod_{i=h+1}^m t_i \prod_{i=1}^{j-1} t_i$$

so the formula follows.

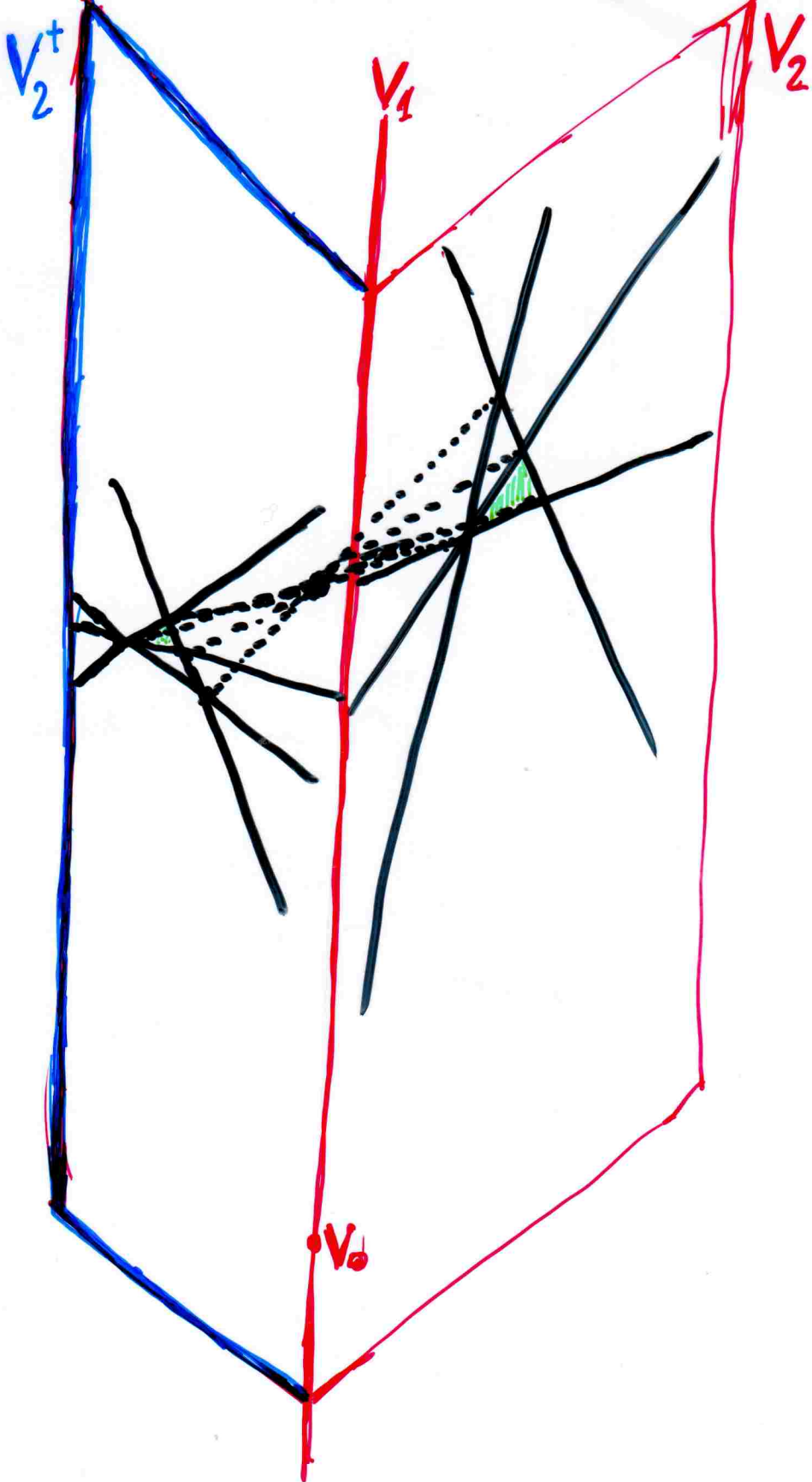
[Here $|F'_i| = l_i, P \triangleleft F'_i]$

Affine case: by induction on the number of vertices of the arrangement \mathcal{A} .

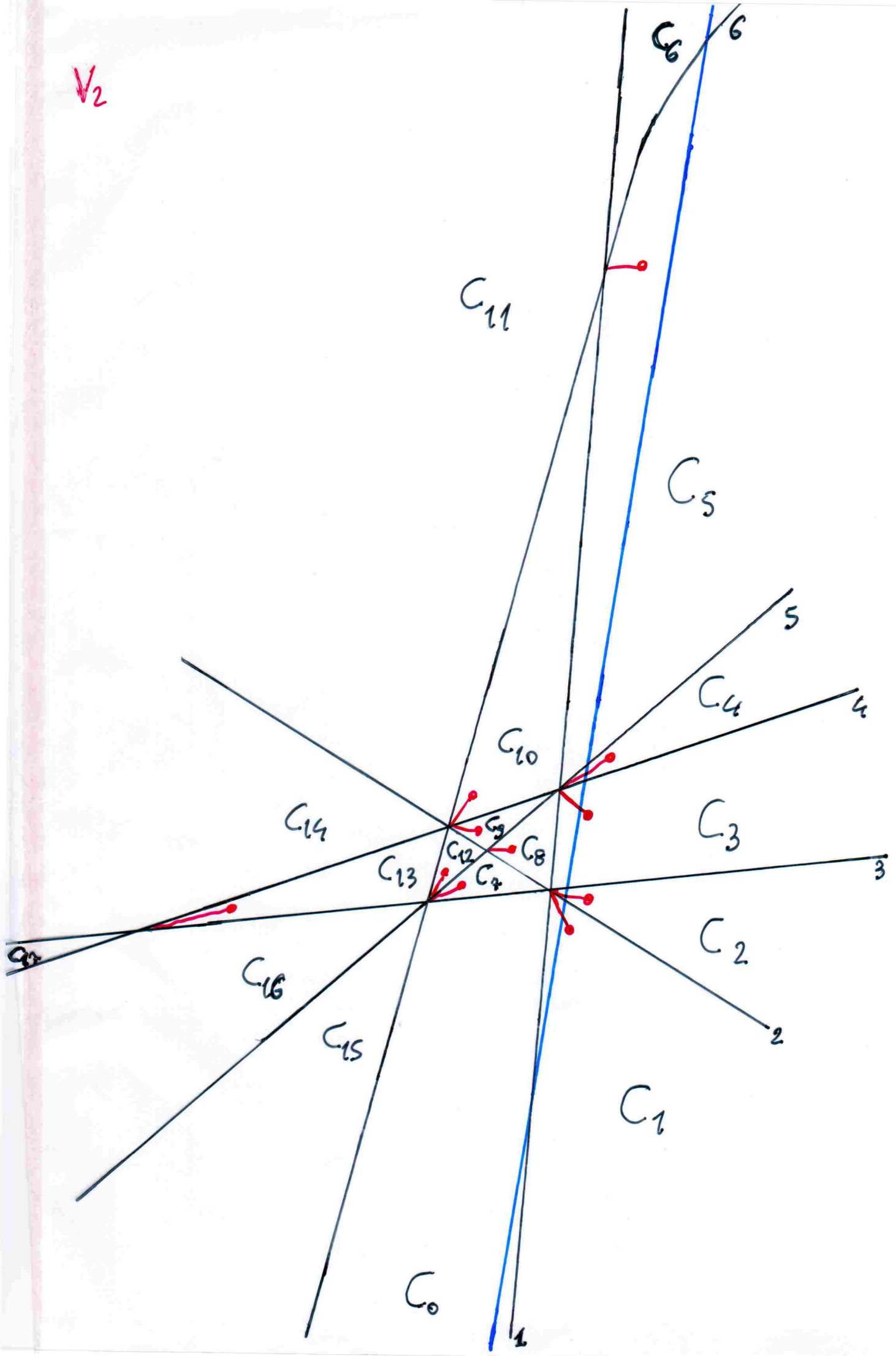
One assumes the formula for the "truncated" arrangement by V_1' and prove it for the truncated by V_2'

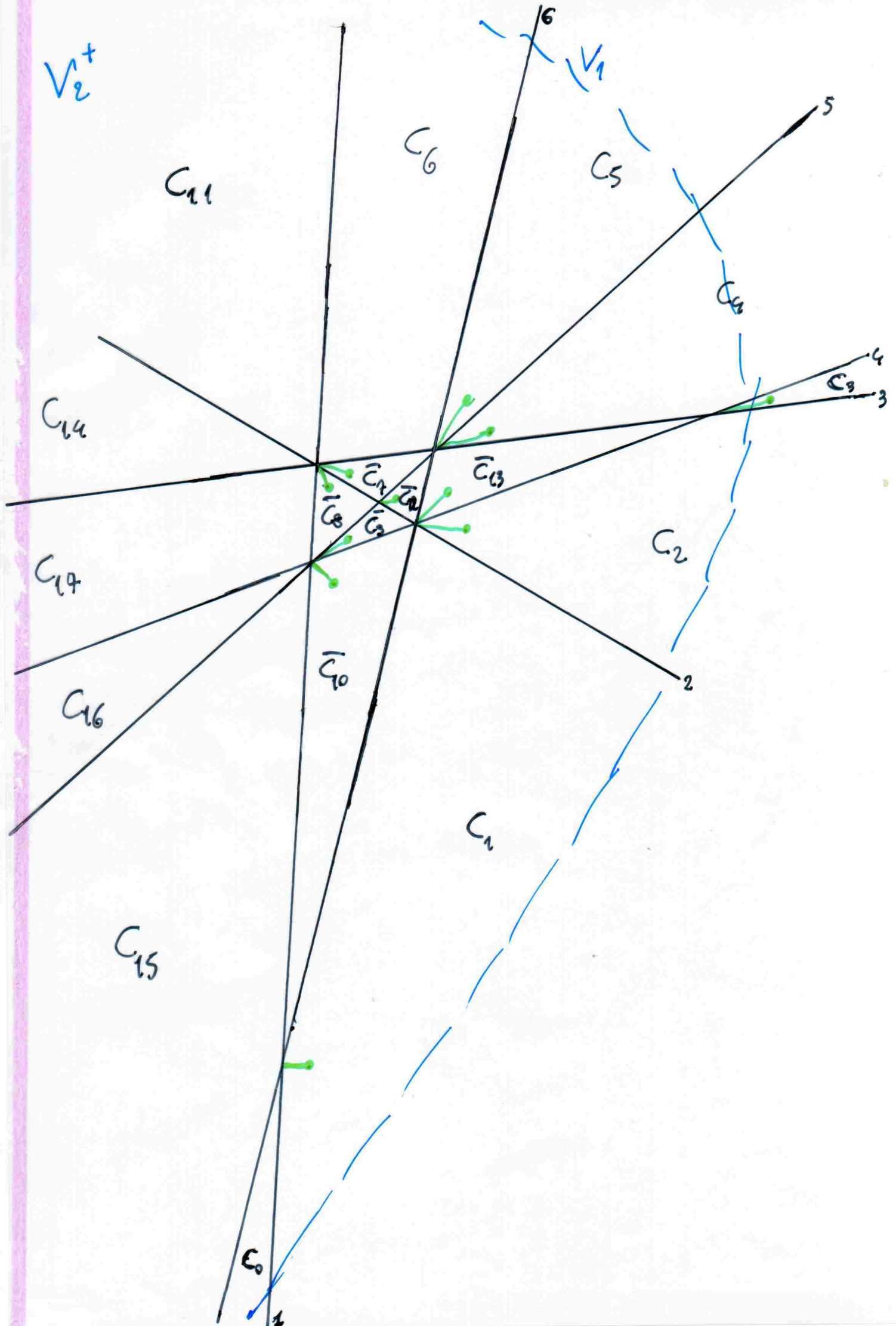


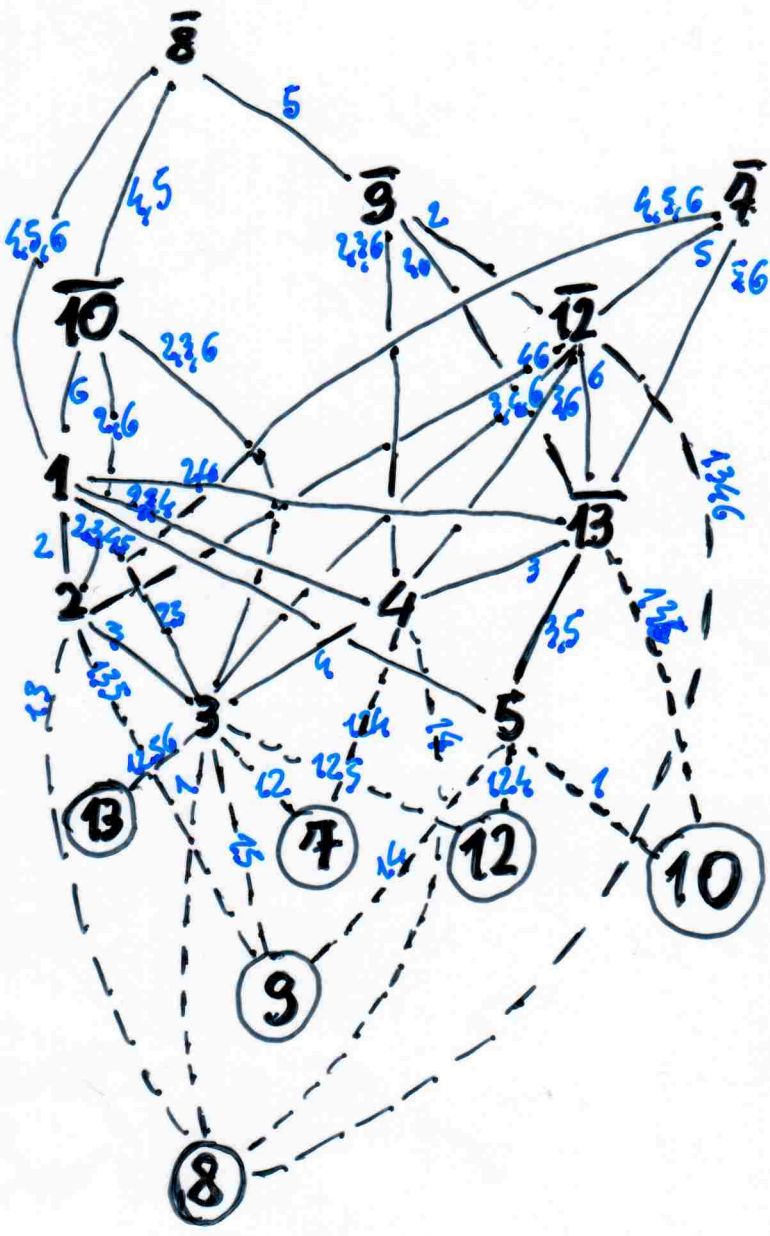
compose with "local" endomorphisms and conclude.



V_2







Thm (the top-boundary)

The boundary of each top-base element is given by a tree: for C bounded, $C \cap V^{n-1} \neq \emptyset$, one has

$$\partial [C < 0] = \sum_{[C' < F^{n-1}] \in \text{Sing}^{n-1}} \sum_{\substack{D \in \Gamma(C) \\ M_{F^{n-1}} \text{ does not} \\ \text{separate } C', D}} c(\Gamma(C), C', D) \cdot [C' < F^{n-1}]$$

where:

- $\Gamma(C)$ is a tree connecting C and its opposite chamber \bar{C} constructed explicitly.

- the coefficient c in the formula is also explicit, described only in terms of "hyperplane separations".

example A_3

$$\partial[C_7 < 0] =$$

$$P(C_7) = 7 - 3 - 2 - \bar{7}$$

$$= t_1 t_2 (1 - t_4 t_5 t_6) [C_2 < P_{C_2}] - t_1 t_2 (1 - t_3) [C_3 < P_{C_3}]$$

$$- t_1 t_2 t_4 t_5 (1 - t_3) [C_5 < P_{C_5}] - t_1 t_2 (1 - t_3) [C_8 < P_{C_8}]$$

$$- t_1 t_2 t_5 (1 - t_3) [C_9 < P_{C_9}] + t_5 t_6 (1 - t_1 t_2) [C_{13} < P_{C_{13}}]$$

$$+ (1 - t_1 t_2) [C_7 < P_{C_7}]$$

Happy Birthday,

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