

Gröbner theory of Grassmannian cluster algebras

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such that the toric variety of the Newton–Okounkov polytope is *isomorphic* to the toric variety of a Gröbner toric degeneration for some $w \in \text{Trop}(J)$:

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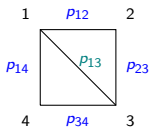
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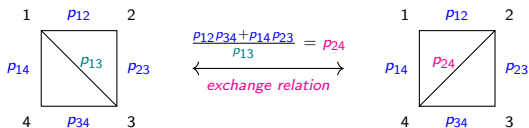
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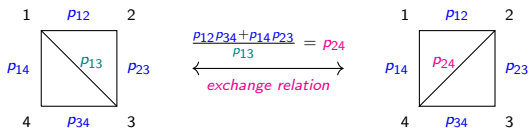
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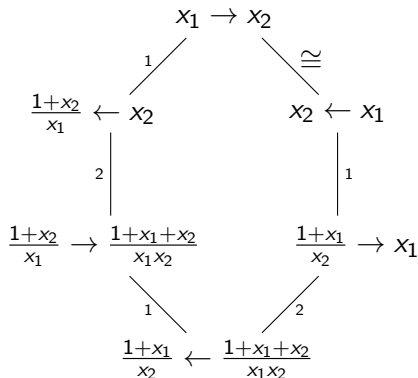
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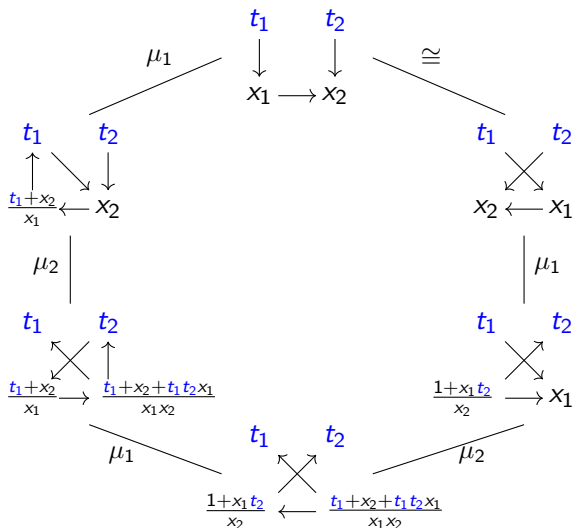
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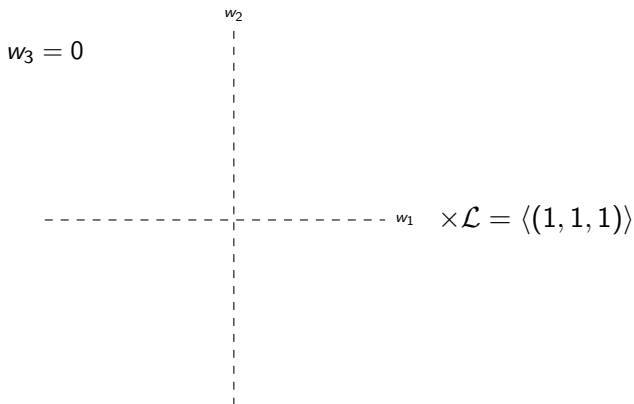
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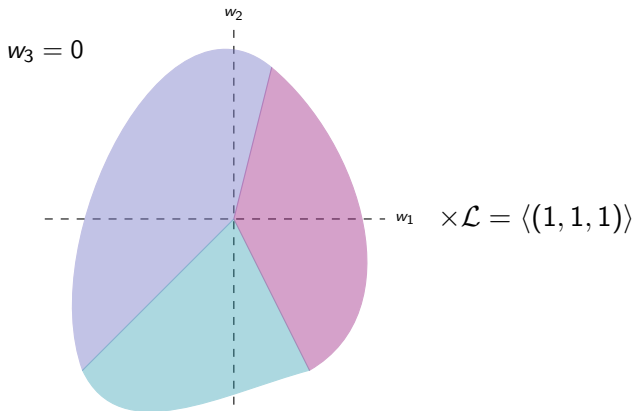
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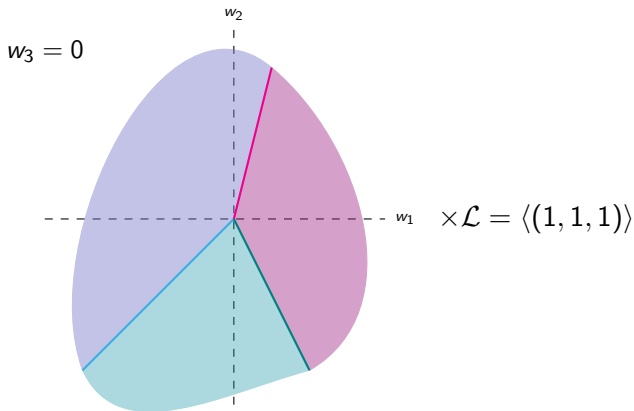
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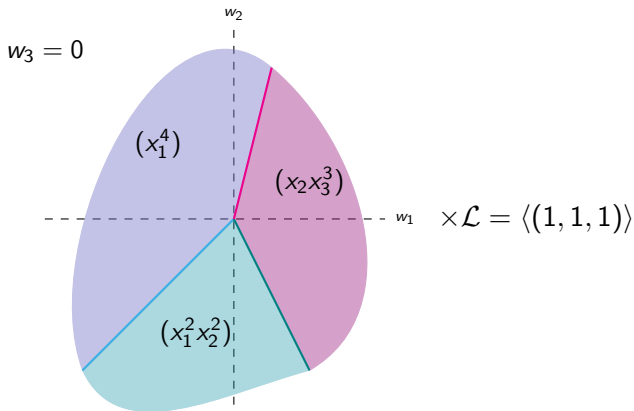
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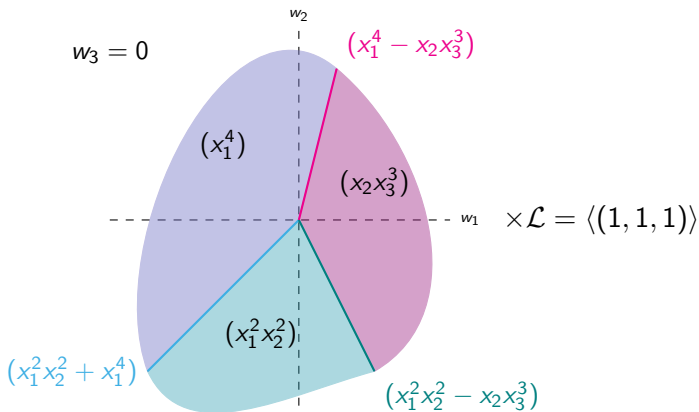
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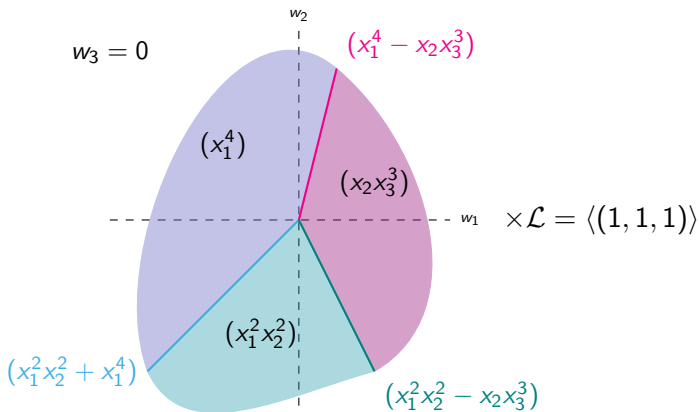
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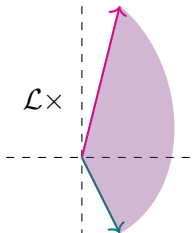
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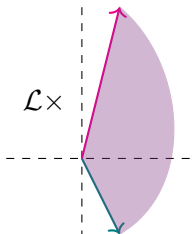
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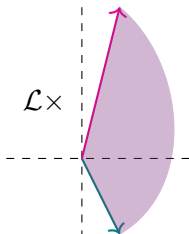
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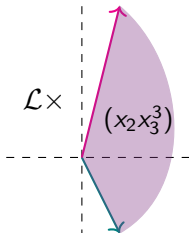


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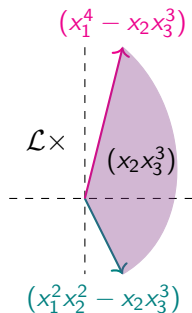


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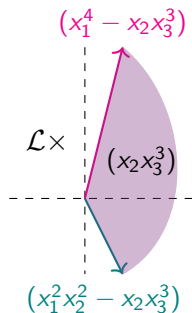


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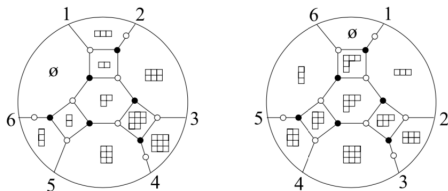
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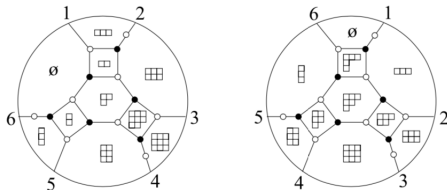
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