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# Introduction

The central objects of this thesis are *Mori dream spaces* as introduced by Y. Hu and S. Keel [60], i.e., algebraic varieties such that the cone of effective divisors has a polyhedral Mori chamber decomposition. Well-known examples are toric varieties, spherical varieties or smooth Fano varieties. Hu and Keel have shown that the Mori dream spaces X are characterized by finite generation of the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ . There are strong relations between the geometry of X and its Cox ring. In fact, a Mori dream space X can be retrieved from the spectrum  $\overline{X}$  of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  as a quotient  $X = \widehat{X} /\!\!/ H$  of an open subset  $\widehat{X} \subseteq \overline{X}$  by a quasitorus H with the class group Cl(X) as its characters. F. Berchtold and J. Hausen [19, 51] proposed an explicit description of Mori dream spaces X in terms of bunched rings, i.e., pairs  $(R, \Phi)$  consisting of a factorially K-graded ring R given by generators and relations and a collection (bunch)  $\Phi$  of overlapping polyhedral cones in  $K \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ . Then R determines  $\overline{X} = \operatorname{Spec} R$ , the K-grading gives rise to the H-action on  $\overline{X}$  and the open subset  $\widehat{X} \subseteq \overline{X}$  is constructed from  $\Phi$  by geometric invariant theory. Building on the approach via bunched rings [19, 51, 5, 18, 6], our main focus lies on the development, implementation and application of explicit algorithms for general Mori dream spaces.

We now give a summary of the results of this thesis. A first series of results is a toolkit for basic computations with (not only projective) Mori dream spaces. We present algorithms for

- basics on finitely generated abelian groups and algebras graded by them,
- Picard group, local class groups, the cones of effective, movable or semiample divisor classes,
- canonical toric ambient variety, stratification, irrelevant ideal,
- tests for being quasismooth, smooth, (Q-) factorial, complete, (quasi-) projective, singularities (in terms of strata),
- for complete intersection Cox rings: intersection numbers, graph of exceptional divisors, anticanonical divisor class, test for (Q-) Gorenstein and Fano properties, Gorenstein index,
- for varieties with the action of a torus of codimension one: resolution of singularities, test for being almost-homogeneous, roots of the automorphism group.

We have implemented these algorithms in a software package, called *MDSpackage*, see [54, 55]. This extends packages for toric varieties, for example [20, 47, 66, 69, 99]. As an application of our algorithms, we study *del Pezzo surfaces*, i.e., Fano surfaces, with a non-trivial K\*-action. Recall that V. Alexeev and V. Nikulin [2] classified the log-terminal del Pezzo surfaces of Picard number one and Gorenstein index at most two. More is known for del Pezzo surfaces with torus action. A. Kasprzyk, M. Kreuzer and B. Nill [68] classified the toric del Pezzo surfaces with Gorenstein-index  $n \leq 16$  and at most log-terminal singularities. H. Süß [94, Ch. 6] listed the non-toric, log-terminal del Pezzo K\*-surfaces with  $n \leq 3$  and Picard number  $\varrho(X) \leq 2$  and E. Huggenberger [61, Ch. 5] classified the non-toric, log-terminal cases

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with n = 1. Using our algorithms, we classify the (not necessarily log-terminal) nontoric del Pezzo  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces with  $n \leq 6$ , Picard number two and hypersurface Cox ring that are *combinatorially minimal*, i.e., those without contractible curves.

**Theorem.** The following table lists the non-toric, combinatorially minimal del Pezzo  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces of Picard number two with hypersurface Cox ring and Gorenstein index  $n \leq 6$ .

Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	$\operatorname{Cl}(X)$	$[\operatorname{Cl}(X):\operatorname{Pic}(X)]$	n	degree
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2 + T_3^2 T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	32	2	2
$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_5]/\langle T_1T_2+T_3^2T_4^2+T_5^2\rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$	256	4	1
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2 + T_3^2 T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$	864	6	$\frac{2}{3}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_5]/\langle T_1T_2^2+T_3T_4^2+T_5^2\rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$	108	3	$\frac{4}{3}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2^3 + T_3 T_4^3 + T_5^3 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	9	3	$\frac{8}{3}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2^3 + T_3 T_4^3 + T_5^3 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	72	3	$\frac{4}{3}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2^2 + T_3 T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$	500	5	$\frac{4}{5}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2^5 + T_3 T_4^5 + T_5^5 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	25	5	85
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2^5 + T_3 T_4^5 + T_5^5 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	200	5	$\frac{4}{5}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1 T_2^3 + T_3 T_4^3 + T_5^3 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$	576	6	$\frac{2}{3}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_5]/\langle T_1T_2^4+T_3T_4^4+T_5^4\rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$	432	6	$\frac{2}{3}$
$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_1^2 T_2 + T_3^2 T_4 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	4	1	4

The explicit  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ -grading of the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  and further geometric properties of the surfaces are listed in Theorem 2.5.1.

As a first advanced algorithm we show how to compute the Mori chamber decomposition of a given Mori dream space. More generally, we provide a method to compute the *GIT-fan* of torus-actions on affine varieties. The GIT-fan is a polyhedral fan parameterizing quotients from D. Mumford's [83] geometric invariant theory (GIT). For quotients associated to ample bundles the fan structure has been described by I. Dolgachev, Y. Hu and M. Thaddeus [35, 97]. F. Berchtold and J. Hausen [18] then provided an explicit construction of the GIT-fan of an affine variety. Building on the latter, Algorithm 3.2.9 computes the maximal GIT-cones by traversing a spanning tree of the implicitly given dual graph of the GIT-fan. We have published our algorithm in [71].

A next series of advanced algorithms concerns the impact of modifications on Cox rings. More precisely, given a modification  $X_2 \to X_1$  of projective varieties where one of the Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  is known, we present methods to compute the other Cox ring in terms of generators and relations. The methods and results have been published jointly with J. Hausen and A. Laface in [57]. The case of a contraction  $X_2 \to X_1$  of a Mori dream space  $X_2$  can be answered purely theoretically, see Proposition 4.2.3. The case of a blow up  $X_2 \to X_1$  of a Mori dream space  $X_1$  is more delicate; we may even lose finite generation of  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ . We develop algorithms to

- verify finite generation of  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ ,
- verify a guess of generators for  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ ,
- produce a guess of generators for  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ ,
- determine the ideal of relations.

Our starting point are toric ambient modifications as developed by J. Hausen in [51]. More precisely, given a Mori dream space  $X_1$ , there is a canonical embedding  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  into a toric variety  $Z_1$ . Each toric modification  $\pi: Z_2 \to Z_1$  induces a modification  $X_2 \to X_1$  of the embedded variety where  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  is the proper transform under  $\pi$ . Hausen has given a list of geometric criteria under which we can describe the Cox ring of  $X_2$ . A key step is to reduce these criteria to a series

of primality tests, see Theorem 4.1.3 and the joint paper [10] with H. Bäker and J. Hausen. As a first consequence, we obtain algorithms for items two and four, i.e., to verify a guess of generators and to determine the ideal of relations.

As an application, we explicitly compute the Cox rings of the Gorenstein logterminal del Pezzo surfaces of Picard number one without  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. See [2] for a classification of these surfaces in terms of singularity types. The Cox rings of the non-toric cases with  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action have been determined by J. Hausen and H. Süß [59], the toric ones are well-known, see, e.g., R. Koelmann [72]. Our result completes the list. The idea is to present the surfaces X as  $\mathbb{P}_2 \leftarrow X' \to X$  where enough information on the Cox ring of X' is known by the work of B. Hassett, Y. Tschinkel, U. Derenthal, M. Artebani, A. Garbagnati and A. Laface [49, 33, 4].

**Theorem.** The following table lists the Cox rings of the Gorenstein log-terminal del Pezzo surfaces X of Picard number one that do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action.

S(X)	$\sharp$ gen.s of $\mathcal{R}(X)$	$\ddagger$ relations	$\operatorname{Cl}(X)$
$2A_4$	6	5	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$
$D_8$	4	1	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$
$D_5A_3$	5	2	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$
$D_{6}2A_{1}$	5	2	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$
$E_6A_2$	4	1	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$
$E_7A_1$	4	1	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$
$E_8$	4	1	$\mathbb{Z}$
$A_7$	4	1	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$
$A_8$	4	1	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$
$A_7A_1$	5	2	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$
$A_5A_2A_1$	7	9	$\mathbb{Z}\oplus\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$
$2A_{3}A_{1}$	9	20	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$
$4A_2$	10	27	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$

Moreover, an explicit description of each Cox ring in terms of generators and relations is listed in Theorem 4.4.1.

A more elaborate algorithm addresses items one and three in the enumeration on page 2, i.e., given a blow up  $X_2 \to X_1$  of a Mori dream space  $X_1$  our Algorithm 4.5.12 provides a systematic guess for generators of  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  and verifies its result. The idea is to show that  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is isomorphic to a certain saturated Rees algebra. Generators for  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  can then be obtained by a traversal of the components of the Rees algebra. This is a complete answer to the problem as it terminates if and only if  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is finitely generated. Furthermore, we present an algorithm that verifies finite generation of  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  for the case of infeasible computation.

As an application of our algorithms, we consider certain blow ups of the projective space  $\mathbb{P}_3$ . A.-M. Castravet and J. Tevelev [24] provided generators of the Cox ring of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_n$  at points that lie on a rational normal curve. Relations have been determined by B. Sturmfels and Z. Xu [93]. Moreover, in [92] Sturmfels and M. Velasco computed for  $n \leq 8$  the Cox rings of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_n$  at n + 3 points in general position. Applying a specialized version of our algorithm, we explicitly determine the Cox rings of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_3$  in six points in *edge-special* position, i.e., four points are general and at least one point lies in two hyperplanes spanned by the others.

**Theorem.** Let  $x_1, \ldots, x_4 \in \mathbb{P}_3$  be the standard toric fixed points. The following table lists the  $\mathbb{Z}^7$ -graded Cox rings of the blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_3$  in the following typical edge-special configurations  $x_1, \ldots, x_6$ .

$x_5$	$x_6$	$\sharp$ gen.s of $\mathcal{R}(X)$	$\ddagger$ relations
[1, 1, 0, 0]	[0, 1, 1, 1]	16	15

[2, 1, 0, 0]	[1, 1, 0, 1]	15	10
[1, 0, 0, 1]	[0, 1, 0, 1]	13	5
[1, 0, 0, 1]	[0, 1, 1, 0]	12	2
[2, 1, 0, 0]	[1, 2, 0, 0]	12	2

Moreover, an explicit description of each Cox ring in terms of generators and relations is listed in Theorem 4.6.6.

As the major result of this thesis, we determine the Cox rings of the smooth rational surfaces X with Picard number  $\rho(X) \leq 6$ ; for  $\rho(X) = 6$ , we restrict ourselves to the non-K\*-cases. The corollary that each smooth rational surface with  $\rho(X) \leq 6$  is a Mori dream space was also observed by Testa, Várilly-Alvarado and Velasco in [95]. So far, Cox rings of smooth rational surfaces have only been determined systematically for the special class of *(weak) del Pezzo surfaces*, i.e., blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in points in (almost) general position; see the work of V. Batyrev, U. Derenthal, O. Popov, M. Stillman, D. Testa and M. Velasco [13, 33, 32, 89].

Our approach makes use of the fact that each smooth rational surface X can be obtained as a blow up of the projective plane  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in up to five points or as a blow up of the *a*-th Hirzebruch surface  $\mathbb{F}_a$  in up to four points where  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . This enables us to use our methods for Cox ring computations of blow ups of Mori dream spaces: the blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  can be handled in a purely computational way whereas the blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  require a theoretical treatment. Here, we use our methods in a formal way to deal with the parameter  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . We give a complete classification of all surfaces X with  $\varrho(X) \leq 5$  and list the generators and relations of the Cox rings of each class. For Picard number six we explicitly determine the Cox rings of the surfaces that do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action; the remaining surfaces are known to be Mori dream spaces and their Cox rings can be obtained by combinatorial methods, see [59, 61].

**Theorem.** Each smooth rational surface X with Picard number  $\varrho(X) \leq 6$  is a Mori dream space. Moreover, the following statements hold.

- (i) If ρ(X) ≤ 5 holds, then X is isomorphic to P<sub>2</sub> or exactly one of the surfaces listed in Propositions 5.2.4, 5.2.5, 5.2.8 or Theorem 5.3.1. There, the Cox ring R(X) is listed explicitly in terms of generators and relations.
- (ii) If ρ(X) = 6 holds, then X admits a non-trivial K<sup>\*</sup>-action or is isomorphic to exactly one of the following surfaces where a ∈ Z≥3.

Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	legree matrix
$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7 T_8 T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_2^2 T_3 T_4 T_5 - T_6^2 T_7 - T_9 T_{10} \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3 T_5 T_8 - T_2 T_6 - T_9 T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_5 + T_7 T_8 - T_2 T_6^2 T_4 T_{10} \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{11}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3^2T_4T_5^2T_8 - T_2T_7 - T_{11}T_{10}, \\ & T_2^2T_4T_6^2T_{11} - T_5T_9 + T_8T_{10}, \\ & T_1T_5 + T_7T_8 - T_2T_4T_6^2T_{11}^2, \\ & T_3^2T_4T_5T_8^2 + T_1T_2 - T_9T_{11}, \\ & T_3^2T_4^2T_5T_8T_2T_6^2T_{11} - T_7T_9 \\ & -T_1T_{10} \end{split} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{10}]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_1T_5+T_7T_8-T_2T_4T_6T_{10}, \\ & T_3T_5T_7T_8^2-T_2^2T_4-T_9T_{10} \end{split} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$ \begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{13}]/I & T_2T_{11} - \lambda T_5T_3T_9 - T_7T_{12}, \\ (\lambda - 1)T_1T_5 - T_{10}T_9 - T_{12}T_{13}, \\ with I \ generated \ by & (\lambda - 1)T_5T_8 + T_6T_9 - T_{11}T_{13}, \\ T_1T_{11} - T_4T_3T_9 - T_8T_{12}, & T_{10}T_{11} - (\lambda - 1)T_4T_3T_5 + T_6T_{12}, \\ T_1T_7 - T_2T_8 + T_3T_9T_{13}, & (\lambda - 1)T_2T_4 - \lambda T_{10}T_9 - T_{11}T_{13}, \\ T_2T_6 + T_7T_{10} - T_3T_5T_{13}, & (\lambda - 1)T_2T_4 - \lambda T_{10}T_9 - T_{12}T_{13}, \\ T_1T_6 + T_8T_{10} - T_3T_4T_{13}, & where \ \lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}. \end{split} $
$ \begin{array}{ll} (\lambda-\mu)T_3T_5+\mu T_7T_{10}-T_{13}T_{16}, \\ (\lambda-1)T_5T_8+(-\mu+1)T_6T_{15}+T_{10}T_{11}, \\ (\lambda-1)T_5T_8+(-\mu+1)T_6T_9-T_{11}T_{16}, \\ (\lambda-1)T_4T_7+(\lambda-\mu)T_6T_9-T_{11}T_{16}, \\ (\lambda-1)T_4T_7+(\lambda-\mu)T_6T_9-T_{11}T_{16}, \\ (\mu-1)T_3T_4-\mu T_8T_{10}+T_{14}T_{16}, \\ T_5T_{12}-\mu T_7T_{15}-T_9T_{13}, \\ (\mu-1)T_3T_4-\mu T_8T_{10}+T_{14}T_{16}, \\ T_4T_{12}-\mu T_8T_{15}-\lambda T_9T_{14}, \\ (\lambda-\mu)T_2T_8+(-\mu+\lambda)T_3T_9-T_{12}T_{16}, \\ T_3T_{11}+T_7T_{14}-T_8T_{13}, \\ (\lambda-\mu)T_2T_6+\lambda T_7T_{10}-T_{13}T_{16}, \\ T_1T_{13}-T_2T_{14}-T_8T_{13}, \\ (\lambda-\mu)T_2T_4-\lambda T_9T_{10}-T_{15}T_{16}, \\ T_1T_{11}-T_8T_{15}-T_9T_{14}, \\ (\mu-1)T_1T_6-T_8T_{10}-T_{15}T_{16}, \\ T_2T_{11}-T_7T_{15}-T_9T_{13}, \\ (\lambda-1)T_1T_5-T_9T_{10}-T_{15}T_{16}, \\ there \lambda\neq\mu\in\mathbb{K}^*\setminus\{1\}. \end{array} $
$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{11}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_6T_2T_4+T_5T_9-T_8T_{10}, \\ & T_3T_4T_8-T_1T_6-T_9T_{11}, \\ & T_3T_4T_8-T_1T_6-T_9T_{11}, \\ & T_1T_5+T_7T_8-T_2T_4T_{11}, \\ & T_3T_4^2T_2-T_7T_9-T_1T_{10} \end{split} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_3 T_5 T_8 - T_2 T_6 - T_9 T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_5 + T_7 T_8 - T_2 T_4 T_{10} \end{split} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$ \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ T_1 T_5 T_{10} - T_2 T_6 - T_7 T_8, \\ T_2 T_4 T_7^{a-1} T_8^{a-2} - T_3 T_5 \\ - T_9 T_{10} \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{11}]/I & T_10T_{11} - T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6, \\ & \text{with $I$ generated by \dagger\dagger$} & -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} T_{11}^a + T_3 T_5, \\ & T_7 T_8 - T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} T_{11}^a + T_3 T_5, \\ & T_9 T_{11} - T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} - \kappa T_6 T_7, \end{split} \\ & T_1^a T_2^a T_2^{2} T_4^2 T_5^{a-1} T_8^{a-1} T_8^{a-1} T_{11}^{a-1} - T_3 T_9 - T_7 T_{10} \\ & \text{where $\kappa \in \mathbb{K}^*$}. \end{split} $
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$ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ with \ I \ generated \ by \\ T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 T_{10} - T_7 T_8, \\ T_1 T_2^{a^{-1}} T_4 T_8 - T_3 T_6 - T_9 T_{10} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2a - 1 & -a + 1 & -a & a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} $
$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with $I$ generated by} \\ & T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_6 T_{10} T_5 - T_7 T_8, \\ & T_1 T_2^{a^{-1}} T_4 T_7 T_8^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \\ & -T_9 T_{10} \end{split} \qquad $
$ \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ \text{with $I$ generated by} \\ T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \\ -T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 T_7 T_9 \\ +T_7 T_8 T_9^2 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
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In this table, the first 12 classes do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. In the  $\dagger \dagger -$  case, the listed ring is the Cox ring for  $a \leq 15$  whereas for a > 15 the Cox ring is finitely generated and given by the equivariant normalization of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{11}]/(I : (T_1 \cdots T_{11})^{\infty})$ .

This thesis is divided into five chapters and an appendix. We now give a brief overview.

In the first chapter, for the convenience of the reader, we recall the fundamental theory of Cox rings, GIT, bunched rings and Mori dream spaces. Also, we recapitulate basics on surfaces, of modifications and of complexity-one T-varieties. This chapter is mainly taken from [5, 32, 61].

In Chapter 2, based on [19, 51, 5], we present an algorithmic toolkit for explicit computations with Mori dream spaces. We introduce the required data types and provide basic algorithms for finitely generated abelian groups, algebras that are graded by a finitely generated abelian group, for general Mori dream spaces as well as for the special class of complexity-one varieties; see Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4. As an application, we classify in Section 5 the combinatorially minimal  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces of Picard number two of Gorenstein index at most six whose Cox ring has a single relation.

Using the construction [19], we develop in Chapter 3 an algorithm to compute the GIT-fan for affine varieties  $V(\mathfrak{a}) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  with torus action. As a first step, we need to determine the torus orbits of  $\mathbb{K}^r$  meeting  $V(\mathfrak{a})$ , the so-called  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces or  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces of the positive orthant  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ , see Section 1. We then show how to compute GIT-cones

and the GIT-fan in Section 2. A special case is the Mori chamber decomposition. In Section 3 of Chapter 3 we give a direct algorithm to determine the (H, 2)-maximal subsets [51], certain more general open subsets admitting a good quotient.

Given a modification  $X_2 \rightarrow X_1$  of projective varieties where one of the Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  is known, we show in Chapter 4 how to determine the other one. As a first step, we translate in Sections 1 and 2 the methods of toric ambient modifications developed in [51] to a computable version. We also present a theoretical solution to compute the Cox ring of a contraction. In Section 3, we then are in position to present algorithms to verify a guess of generators and to determine relations. Based on [2], we apply these algorithms in Section 4 to compute the Cox rings of the Gorenstein, log-terminal del Pezzo surfaces of Picard number one that do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. In Section 5, we develop an algorithm to explicitly compute the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  of a blow up  $X_2 \to X_1$  of a Mori dream space  $X_1$ along an irreducible subvariety inside the smooth locus. Moreover, for the case of infeasible computation, we present an algorithm that verifies finite generation of  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ . Specializing to blow ups  $X_2 \to \mathbb{P}_n$  of point configurations in a projective space  $\mathbb{P}_n$ , in Section 6, we provide an algorithm that verifies that  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is generated by transforms of hyperplanes in  $\mathbb{P}_n$ . We explore some relations to the underlying combinatorial structures. Using our algorithm, we determine the Cox rings of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_3$  in point configurations consisting of six distinct points in edge-special position.

In Chapter 5, we explicitly compute the Cox rings of the smooth rational surfaces X with Picard number  $\varrho(X) \leq 6$ . Our classification is complete for  $\varrho(X) \leq 5$  and contains the non- $\mathbb{K}^*$ -cases for  $\varrho(X) = 6$ . As X is obtained as a sequence of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  or the Hirzebruch surface  $\mathbb{F}_a$ , we can use the techniques developed in Chapter 4. We first classify the point configurations on  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $\mathbb{F}_a$  that we need to consider to obtain X as a blow up, see Section 1. Afterwards, in Sections 2, 3 and 4 we iteratively blow up a point of a surface of lower Picard number  $\varrho(X)$  until we arrive at  $\varrho(X) = 6$ . In each step, we remove redundancies.

In Appendix A, we describe an implementation of the algorithms developed throughout this thesis. It is aimed towards usability and computations of up to medium examples. The appendix serves as a manual.

Throughout this thesis we made extensive use of the software systems gfan, Macaulay2, magma, Maple, polymake and Singular for computer algebra or polyhedral computations, see [63, 45, 23, 79, 43, 31].

## CHAPTER 1

# Preliminaries

We recall basic notions from algebraic geometry and thereby fix our notation for the subsequent chapters. This chapter is a summary of the sources referenced at the beginning of each section and does not contain results by the author. Our primary reference is the book by Ivan Arzhantsev, Ulrich Derenthal, Jürgen Hausen and Antonio Laface [5].

Basics on geometric invariant theory for affine quasitorus actions can be found in the first section. In Section 2, we introduce Cox rings and toric varieties. We recall the theory of bunched rings and the correspondence to Mori dream spaces in Section 3. Section 4 deals with fundamental surface geometry and modifications, e.g., blow ups. In the final section, i.e., Section 5, we recall the construction and basic properties of  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces and complexity-one *T*-varieties.

Throughout this document, we work over an algebraically closed field  $\mathbb{K}$  of characteristic zero. By a *variety*, we always mean a separated prevariety over  $\mathbb{K}$ .

## 1. GIT and good quotients

We recall basics on good quotients, the correspondence between graded affine algebras and affine varieties with quasitorus action as well as the GIT-fan. This section is a summary of mainly Sections III.1 and I.2 of [5]; see also [7, 18].

An affine algebraic group is an affine variety G together with a group structure such that the group operations are morphisms. A variety X with the action  $G \times X \to X$  of an affine algebraic group G is called a G-variety. Given an affine algebraic group G, denote its group of *characters*, i.e., homomorphisms  $G \to \mathbb{K}^*$  of algebraic groups, by  $\mathbb{X}(G)$ .

**Definition 1.1.1.** A quasitorus is an affine algebraic group H with its algebra of regular functions  $\Gamma(H, \mathcal{O})$  generated by the characters  $\chi \in \mathbb{X}(H)$ . A connected quasitorus is a *torus*.

Each quasitorus is isomorphic to a product of a torus and a finite abelian group. The *standard torus* is the torus  $\mathbb{T}^n := (\mathbb{K}^*)^n$ . Homomorphic images of tori are again tori. Note that homomorphisms of tori correspond to integral matrices.

**Remark 1.1.2.** There are exact functors between finitely generated abelian groups and quasitori that are essentially inverse to each other; the assignments are

 $K \mapsto \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K], \quad \psi \mapsto \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[\psi], \quad \mathbb{X}(H) \leftrightarrow H, \quad \varphi^* \leftrightarrow \varphi.$ 

We now briefly recall the correspondence between affine varieties with quasitorus action and affine algebras that are graded by a finitely generated abelian group. Given such an affine variety X with the action of a quasitorus H, we obtain a  $\mathbb{X}(H)$ -graded algebra

$$\Gamma(X,\mathcal{O}) = \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mathbb{X}(H)} \Gamma(X,\mathcal{O})_{\chi}, \qquad \Gamma(X,\mathcal{O})_{\chi} := \{ f \in \Gamma(X,\mathcal{O}); \ f(h \cdot x) = \chi(h)f(x) \}.$$

Vice versa, consider a finitely generated abelian group K and a K-graded, affine  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra R. Set  $X := \operatorname{Spec} R$  and choose K-homogeneous generators  $f_1, \ldots, f_r$  for R. We have an embedding

$$X \to \mathbb{K}^r, \qquad x \mapsto (f_1(x), \dots, f_r(x))$$

and  $X \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  is invariant under the *diagonal action* of the quasitorus  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$ on  $\mathbb{K}^r$  with comorphism

$$R \to \mathbb{K}[K] \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} R, \qquad R_w \ni f \mapsto \chi^w \otimes f.$$

Moreover, a morphism of affine  $H_i$ -varieties  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  with quasitori  $H_i$  is a pair  $(\varphi, \tilde{\varphi})$  consisting of a morphism of varieties  $\varphi \colon X_1 \to X_2$  and a homomorphism of algebraic groups  $\tilde{\varphi} \colon H_1 \to H_2$  such that

$$\varphi(h \cdot x) = \widetilde{\varphi}(h) \cdot \varphi(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in X_1, h \in H_1.$$

**Proposition 1.1.3.** We have contravariant, exact functors that are essentially inverse to each other between the categories of affine  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebras that are graded by a finitely generated abelian group and affine varieties with the action of a quasitorus

$$\begin{array}{rccc} R & \mapsto & \operatorname{Spec} R, & & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}) & \leftrightarrow & X, \\ \left(\psi, \widetilde{\psi}\right) & \mapsto & \left(\operatorname{Spec} \psi, \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[\widetilde{\psi}]\right), & & \left(\varphi^*, \widetilde{\varphi}^*\right) & \leftarrow & \left(\varphi, \widetilde{\varphi}\right). \end{array}$$

By a *reductive algebraic group* we mean an affine algebraic group G such that every rational representation of G splits into irreducible ones. Examples of reductive groups include  $SL(n, \mathbb{Z})$ ,  $GL(n, \mathbb{Z})$ , all finite groups and quasitori.

Consider a reductive algebraic group G and a G-variety X. A morphism  $\varphi \colon X \to Y$  is G-invariant if  $\varphi(x) = \varphi(g \cdot x)$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $g \in G$ . We call  $\varphi$  affine if preimages of open affine subsets are again affine. The ring of invariants is the algebra

$$\mathcal{O}(X)^G := \{ f \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}); f(g \cdot x) = f(x) \text{ for each } x \in X, g \in G \}.$$

**Definition 1.1.4.** A good quotient for the G-action on X is an affine, G-invariant morphism  $\pi: X \to Y$  such that  $\mathcal{O}_Y \to (\pi_* \mathcal{O}_X)^G$  is an isomorphism.

The quotient space Y of a good quotient  $X \to Y$  for the G-action on X is unique up to isomorphism; we denote it by  $X/\!\!/G$ . Note that good quotients need not exist. However, for an affine G-variety X with reductive group G, by a theorem of David Hilbert, the ring of invariants  $\mathcal{O}(X)^G$  is finitely generated. Then the inclusion  $\mathcal{O}(X)^G \subseteq \mathcal{O}(X)$  yields the good quotient

$$X \to X/\!\!/G = \operatorname{Spec} \mathcal{O}(X)^G.$$

If X is not affine, good quotients can be obtained by gluing together quotients of an affine covering.

**Example 1.1.5.** Define  $G := \mathbb{K}^*$  and  $X := \mathbb{K}^2$  as well as  $U := \mathbb{K}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ . The varieties X and U are G-varieties with the G-action given by  $t \cdot (x, y) := (tx, ty)$ . The quotient space  $X/\!\!/ G$  is isomorphic to a point and  $U/\!\!/ G$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_1$ .



The following proposition subsumes some basic properties of good quotients. A subset  $U \subseteq X$  of a *G*-variety X is *G*-invariant if  $G \cdot U \subseteq U$ .

**Proposition 1.1.6.** Let X be a G-variety with a reductive group G and let  $p: X \to Y$  be a good quotient for the G-action.

- (i) The image of a closed, G-invariant subset is again closed.
- (ii) The images of two closed, G-invariant, disjoint subsets are again disjoint.
- (iii) For each point  $y \in Y$ , the fiber  $p^{-1}(y)$  contains a closed G-orbit.

A task of GIT is to construct good *G*-sets of a *G*-variety *X*, i.e., open subsets  $U \subseteq X$  that admit a good quotient  $U \to U/\!\!/G$ . We will concentrate on the affine case, i.e., assume  $X = \operatorname{Spec} R$  with an affine, *K*-graded algebra *R* and the action of the quasitorus  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$ . Let  $K_{\mathbb{Q}} := K \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ . The weight cone and the orbit cone of a point  $x \in X$  are the convex polyhedral cones

$$\begin{split} \vartheta_X &:= \operatorname{cone} \left( w \in K; \; R_w \neq \{0\} \right) \;\; \subseteq \;\; K_{\mathbb{Q}}, \\ \vartheta_x &:= \;\; \operatorname{cone} \left( w \in K; \; f(x) \neq 0 \; \text{for some} \; f \in R_w \right) \;\; \subseteq \;\; K_{\mathbb{Q}}. \end{split}$$

It turns out that there are only finitely many orbit cones. Given a vector  $w \in K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , we assign to w a set of semistable points, i.e., the open, H-invariant subset

 $X^{\rm ss}(w) := \{x \in X; f(x) \neq 0 \text{ with some } f \in R_{nw} \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}\} \subseteq X.$ 

**Proposition 1.1.7.** In the above setting,  $X^{ss}(w) \neq \emptyset$  holds if and only if  $w \in \vartheta_X$ . In this case, the H-action on  $X^{ss}(w)$  admits a good quotient and  $X^{ss}(w)/\!\!/ H$  is projective over  $X/\!\!/ H$ . Moreover, given  $w_1, w_2 \in \vartheta_X$  with  $X^{ss}(w_1) \subseteq X^{ss}(w_2)$ , we have a commutative diagram

with  $\varphi_{w_2}^{w_1}$  projective and surjective. Furthermore, given a third vector  $w_3 \in \vartheta_X$  with  $X^{ss}(w_2) \subseteq X^{ss}(w_3)$ , we have  $\varphi_{w_3}^{w_1} = \varphi_{w_3}^{w_2} \circ \varphi_{w_2}^{w_1}$ .

A quasifan in a rational vector space  $N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is a finite collection  $\Sigma$  of polyhedral, convex cones in  $N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  such that for each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ , also all faces  $\tau \preceq \sigma$  are elements of  $\Sigma$  and given  $\sigma, \sigma' \in \Sigma$  the cone  $\sigma \cap \sigma'$  is a face in both  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$ . A fan is a quasifan consisting of pointed cones. We write  $\Sigma \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  if the cones of  $\Sigma$  lie in  $N_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

**Definition 1.1.8.** Given  $w \in \vartheta_X$ , the corresponding *GIT-cone* or *GIT-chamber* is the nonempty polyhedral cone

$$\lambda(w) := \bigcap_{\substack{x \in X, \\ w \in \vartheta_x}} \vartheta_x \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

We call the collection  $\Lambda(X, H) := \{\lambda(w); w \in \vartheta_X\}$  of all GIT-cones the *GIT-fan* of the *H*-action on *X*.

The term "fan" is justified by the following theorem which also relates GIT-cones to sets of semistable points. In particular, the number of GIT-cones is finite.

**Theorem 1.1.9.** In the above setting, the GIT-fan  $\Lambda(X, H)$  is a pure quasifan in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  with support  $\vartheta_X$ . Furthermore, given  $w_1, w_2 \in \vartheta_X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(w_1) &\subseteq \lambda(w_2) &\iff X^{\rm ss}(w_1) \supseteq X^{\rm ss}(w_2), \\ \lambda(w_1) &= \lambda(w_2) &\iff X^{\rm ss}(w_1) = X^{\rm ss}(w_2). \end{aligned}$$

It then makes sense to define  $X^{ss}(\lambda) := X^{ss}(w)$  with any element w in the relative interior of the given GIT-cone  $\lambda$ . Theorem 1.1.9 tells us that the structure of  $\Lambda(X, H)$  reflects the variation of GIT-quotients; they form the *GIT-system* given

by the quotients  $Y(\lambda) := X^{ss}(\lambda) /\!\!/ H$  and morphisms  $\varphi_{\lambda_j}^{\lambda_i}$  of Proposition 1.1.7.



If X is *H*-factorial, i.e., it is irreducible, normal and each *H*-invariant Weil divisor is the divisor of a rational homogeneous function, the GIT-fan gives a correspondence to good *H*-sets. A subset  $U_0$  of a good *H*-set  $U \subseteq X$  is *H*-saturated if  $U_0 = p^{-1}(p(U_0))$  with the good quotient  $p: U \to U/\!\!/ H$ . By a *qp*-maximal subset of X we mean a good *H*-set  $U \subseteq X$  with quasiprojective quotient space and U is maximal with respect to *H*-saturated inclusion among the good *H*-sets with quasiprojective quotient space.

**Theorem 1.1.10.** In the above setting, assume that X is H-factorial. We have mutually inverse order-reversing bijections

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \Lambda(X,H) & \longleftrightarrow & \{ qp\text{-maximal subsets of } X \} \\ & \lambda & \mapsto & X^{\mathrm{ss}}(\lambda), \\ & \bigcap_{x \in U} \vartheta_x & \longleftrightarrow & U. \end{array}$$

**Example 1.1.11.** In Example 1.1.5, X and U are good  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -sets: the GIT-fan  $\Lambda(X, \mathbb{K}^*)$  consists of cone(1) and cone(0). They correspond to the good  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -sets

$$X = X^{ss}(0) = \{x \in X; f(x) \neq 0 \text{ for a } f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, T_2]_0\},\$$
  
$$U = X^{ss}(1) = \{x \in X; f(x) \neq 0 \text{ for a } f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, T_2]_{n \cdot 1}, n > 0\}$$

## 2. Cox rings

We recall the basic theory of Cox rings and toric varieties. This section summarizes parts of [5], mainly Chapter I, and [51, 61].

Consider an irreducible variety X that is normal, i.e., every local ring  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  integral and integrally closed in its quotient field. A prime divisor on X is an irreducible hypersurface  $D \subseteq X$ . The group generated by the prime divisors is the free abelian group WDiv(X), its elements are called Weil divisors. Let  $\operatorname{ord}_D(f)$  be the order of vanishing of a rational function  $f \in \mathbb{K}(X)^*$  along a prime divisor D. The principal divisor of f is

$$\operatorname{div}(f) := \sum_{D \text{ prime}} \operatorname{ord}_D(f) \cdot D \in \operatorname{WDiv}(X).$$

Note that  $f \mapsto \operatorname{div}(f)$  is a homomorphism  $\mathbb{K}(X)^* \to \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  with the subgroup of principal divisors  $\operatorname{PDiv}(X) \leq \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  as its image. The *divisor class group* is the factor group

$$\operatorname{Cl}(X) := \operatorname{WDiv}(X) / \operatorname{PDiv}(X).$$

A Weil divisor is a *Cartier divisor* if it is locally principal; we write  $\operatorname{CDiv}(X) \leq \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  for the group of all Cartier divisors. Moreover, a Weil divisor  $D = a_1D_1 + \ldots + a_nD_n \in \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  is *effective* if all  $a_i$  are non-negative; we then write  $D \geq 0$ . Given an open subset  $U \subseteq X$ , the *restriction* of a Weil divisor  $D \in \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  is the Weil divisor  $D_{|U} \in \operatorname{WDiv}(U)$  where  $D_{|U} := D \cap U$  if D intersects U non-trivially and  $D_{|U} := 0$  otherwise.

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**Construction 1.2.1.** To a Weil divisor  $D \in WDiv(X)$  we assign the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules where the sections over open subsets  $U \subseteq X$  are

$$\Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) := \left\{ f \in \mathbb{K}(X)^*; (\operatorname{div}(f) + D)_{|U} \ge 0 \right\} \cup \{0\}.$$

Note that given  $f_1 \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X(D_1))$  and  $f_2 \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X(D_2))$ , we have  $f_1 f_2 \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X(D_1 + D_2))$ . To a subgroup  $K \leq \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  we associate the *sheaf of divisorial algebras* 

$$\mathcal{S} := \bigoplus_{D \in K} \mathcal{S}_D, \qquad \mathcal{S}_D := \mathcal{O}_X(D).$$

The multiplication in S is defined by multiplying elements in the field of rational functions  $\mathbb{K}(X)$ .

**Construction 1.2.2** (Cox ring). Let X be an irreducible normal variety with finitely generated class group  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$  and  $\mathbb{K}^* = \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}^*)$ , e.g., X is complete. Fix a subgroup  $K \leq \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  such that the homomorphism  $c \colon K \to \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  mapping  $D \in K$  to its class  $[D] \in \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  is surjective. Set  $K^0 := \ker(c)$ . Choose a group homomorphism

$$\chi \colon K^0 \to \mathbb{K}(X)^*$$
 with  $\operatorname{div}(\chi(E)) = E$ ,  $E \in K^0$ .

Let S be the sheaf of divisorial algebras associated to K as in Construction 1.2.1. Consider the sheaf  $\mathcal{I}$  of radical ideals that is locally defined by  $1 - \chi(E)$  where E runs through  $K^0$ . On open subsets  $U \subseteq X$ , this means we have an ideal

$$\Gamma(U,\mathcal{I}) = \left\{ f \in \Gamma(U,\mathcal{S}); \text{ locally } f = \sum_{E \in K^0} h_E(1-\chi(E)) \text{ with } h_E \in \Gamma(U,\mathcal{S}) \right\}$$
$$= \left\langle 1-\chi(E_i); 1 \le i \le s \right\rangle_{\Gamma(U,\mathcal{S})}$$

where  $E_1, \ldots, E_s$  is a basis for  $K^0$ . Note that  $1 \in \Gamma(U, S_0)$  whereas  $E \in \Gamma(U, S_{-E})$ . The *Cox sheaf* is the quotient sheaf  $\mathcal{R} := S/\mathcal{I}$  with the Cl(X)-grading

$$\mathcal{R} = \bigoplus_{[D] \in \operatorname{Cl}(X)} \mathcal{R}_{[D]}, \qquad \mathcal{R}_{[D]} := \pi \left( \bigoplus_{D' \in c^{-1}([D])} \mathcal{O}_X(D') \right)$$

and the projection  $\pi: S \to \mathcal{R}$ . It is a quasicoherent sheaf of  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ -graded, reduced  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -algebras. The *Cox ring* of X is the ring of global sections of the Cox sheaf

$$\mathcal{R}(X) := \bigoplus_{[D] \in \operatorname{Cl}(X)} \Gamma\left(X, \mathcal{R}_{[D]}\right) \cong \Gamma(X, \mathcal{S}) / \Gamma(X, \mathcal{I}).$$

One can show that the construction of the Cox ring in 1.2.2 does not depend on the choices made.

**Remark 1.2.3.** If in Construction 1.2.2 the class group Cl(X) is free, one can directly define  $\mathcal{R}_{[D]} := \mathcal{O}_X(D)$ .

In the situation of Construction 1.2.2, let  $R := \mathcal{R}(X)$  be the Cox ring of X. A nonzero homogeneous element  $f \in R \setminus R^*$  is  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ -prime if  $f \mid gh$  with homogeneous elements g, h implies  $f \mid g$  or  $f \mid h$ . We say that R is  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ -factorial if every homogeneous non-zero element  $f \in R \setminus R^*$  is a product of  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ -primes.

**Theorem 1.2.4.** In the above setting, the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is a Cl(X)-factorial ring. If Cl(X) is free, then  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is a UFD.

We turn to the geometric counterpart of the Cox sheaf. Let X be as before but assume additionally that  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is finitely generated. Then the Cox sheaf  $\mathcal{R}$  is locally of finite type.

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**Construction 1.2.5.** Let the setting be as above. Taking the *relative spectrum* we obtain an irreducible, normal variety  $\widehat{X} := \operatorname{Spec}_X \mathcal{R}$  that is contained in  $\overline{X} := \operatorname{Spec} \mathcal{R}(X)$ . The affine variety  $\overline{X}$ , called the *total coordinate space* of X, is invariant with respect to the action of the *characteristic quasitorus*  $H_X := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[\operatorname{Cl}(X)]$ . Then the embedding  $\widehat{X} \subseteq \overline{X}$  is  $H_X$ -equivariant and X can be retrieved as a quotient

$$\operatorname{Spec}_{X} \mathcal{R} = \widehat{X} \subseteq \overline{X} = \operatorname{Spec} \mathcal{R}(X)$$

$$\downarrow_{X}^{/\!\!/ H_{X}}$$

$$X$$

of the quasiaffine, good  $H_X$ -set  $\widehat{X} \subseteq \overline{X}$  by  $H_X$ . The good quotient  $p: \widehat{X} \to X$  is called the *characteristic space* of X.

In Construction 1.2.5, we call  $z = (z_1, \ldots, z_r) \in \widehat{X} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  Cox coordinates for the point  $x := p(z) \in X$ . We write x = [z] or  $x = [z_1, \ldots, z_r]$ . Note that Cox coordinates are not unique, see 5.1.1.

**Example 1.2.6.** In Construction 1.2.5,  $X = \mathbb{P}_2$  arises as a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -quotient of the open subset  $\widehat{X} = \mathbb{K}^2 \setminus \{0\}$  of  $\overline{X} = \mathbb{K}^3$ . Cox coordinates are the usual homogeneous coordinates.

A toric variety is an irreducible, normal variety Z with a basepoint  $z_0 \in Z$  and the action  $\mathbb{T}_Z \times Z \to Z$  of the torus  $\mathbb{T}_Z$  such that the map  $\mathbb{T}_Z \to Z$  defined by  $t \mapsto t \cdot z_0$  is an open embedding. We then speak of the *dense torus*  $\mathbb{T}_Z$  of Z. We briefly recall the connection to *lattice fans*, i.e., pairs  $(N, \Sigma)$  with a lattice N and a fan  $\Sigma \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}} = N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ . Given a lattice fan  $(N, \Sigma)$  and a cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ , let  $\sigma^{\vee} \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}}^* := N^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  be the dual cone. We obtain an affine toric variety

$$Z_{\sigma} := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K} \left[ \sigma^{\vee} \cap N^* \right] = \operatorname{Spec} \bigoplus_{u \in \sigma^{\vee} \cap N^*} \mathbb{K} \cdot \chi^u$$

with dense torus  $\mathbb{T}_N := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[N^*]$ . Gluing together the affine toric varieties  $Z_{\sigma}$  with  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  produces the toric variety  $Z_{\Sigma}$ . For the other direction, it turns out that a toric variety Z can be covered by finitely many invariant open, affine toric subvarieties  $Z_1, \ldots, Z_s$ . The cones  $\sigma_{Z_1}, \ldots, \sigma_{Z_s}$  of convergent one-parameter subgroups  $\mathbb{K}^* \to Z_i$  of the  $Z_i$  then form a lattice fan  $(\Sigma_Z, \Lambda(\mathbb{T}_Z))$  where  $\Lambda(\mathbb{T}_Z)$  is the cone of convergent one-parameter subgroups of the dense torus  $\mathbb{T}_Z$ . Moreover, given a toric variety Z with fan  $\Sigma$ , note that to each cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  one can assign a distinguished point  $z(\sigma) \in Z$  such that the orbits  $\mathbb{T}_Z \cdot z(\sigma')$  correspond bijectively to the cones  $\sigma' \in \Sigma$ .

A morphism of toric varieties Z and Z' is a pair  $(\varphi, \widetilde{\varphi})$  consisting of a morphism of varieties  $\varphi \colon Z \to Z'$  and a morphism of tori  $\widetilde{\varphi} \colon \mathbb{T}_Z \to \mathbb{T}_{Z'}$  such that  $\varphi$  maps the basepoint of Z to the basepoint of Z' and  $\varphi(t \cdot z) = \widetilde{\varphi}(t) \cdot \varphi(z)$  holds for all  $t \in \mathbb{T}_Z$ ,  $z \in Z$ . Moreover, a map of lattice fans  $(\Sigma, N)$  and  $(\Omega, M)$  is a lattice homomorphism  $F \colon N \to M$  such that for each cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  there is a cone  $\omega \in \Omega$  such that  $F(\sigma) \subseteq \omega$ . To each such F one can assign a toric morphism  $(\varphi_F, \widetilde{\varphi}_F) \colon Z_{\Sigma} \to Z_{\Omega}$ , see [5, Ch. 2] or [42, 28] for details.

**Proposition 1.2.7.** We have covariant functors that are essentially inverse to each other between the categories of lattice fans and toric varieties given by

$$\begin{aligned} (\Sigma, N) &\mapsto (Z_{\Sigma}, \mathbb{T}_N, z_0), & (\Sigma_Z, \Lambda(\mathbb{T}_Z)) &\longleftrightarrow (Z, \mathbb{T}_Z, z_0), \\ F &\mapsto (\varphi_F, \widetilde{\varphi}_F), & \widetilde{\varphi}_* &\longleftrightarrow (\varphi, \widetilde{\varphi}). \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 1.2.8.** An irreducible, normal variety is toric if and only if its Cox ring is isomorphic to a polynomial ring.

## 3. Bunched rings and Mori dream spaces

We recall the basic theory of Mori dream spaces and bunched rings developed by F. Berchtold and J. Hausen in [19, 51]. This section is taken from [5], mainly Chapter III.

Let R be an integral affine K-algebra that is graded by a finitely generated abelian group K, i.e.,

$$R = \bigoplus_{w \in K} R_w.$$

Similar to Section 2, a homogeneous element  $f \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  is called *K*-prime if  $f \notin \mathbb{R}^*$ and  $f \mid gh$  with homogeneous g, h implies  $f \mid g$  or  $f \mid h$ . We say that R is factorially K-graded or is K-factorial if each homogeneous element  $f \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  with  $f \notin \mathbb{R}^*$ is a product of K-prime elements.

If R is factorially K-graded, one can choose a system  $\mathfrak{F} = (f_1, \ldots, f_r)$  of K-prime pairwise non-associated generators. We then encode the K-grading of R in a degree map, i.e., a homomorphism  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  of finitely generated abelian groups mapping the canonical basis vector  $e_i \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  to deg $(f_i) \in K$ . Denote the positive orthant by  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$ .

**Definition 1.3.1.** An  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face is a face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  such that the product  $\prod_{e_i \in \gamma_0} f_i$  is not an element of the radical of  $\langle f_j; e_j \notin \gamma_0 \rangle \subseteq R$ .

**Remark 1.3.2.** The set of orbit cones  $\Omega_{\overline{X}}$  of  $\overline{X} := \operatorname{Spec} R$  as defined in Section 1 equals the collection of all images  $Q(\gamma_0)$  such that  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  is an  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face.

The  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces store the algebraic information of R, see Chapter 3 for the computational aspects. We now turn to combinatorial data in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}} := K \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ . The grading is almost free if  $Q(\gamma_0 \cap \mathbb{Z}^r)$  generates the abelian group K for every facet  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$ .

- Definition 1.3.3. (i) Let  $\Omega$  be the set of *orbit cones*, i.e., the set of all cones  $Q(\gamma_0) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  such that  $\gamma_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face. An  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch is a non-empty collection  $\Phi \subseteq \Omega$  such that
  - each two  $\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2 \in \Phi$  overlap, i.e.,  $\vartheta_1^{\circ} \cap \vartheta_2^{\circ} \neq \emptyset$ .
  - given  $\vartheta_2 \in \Omega$  and  $\vartheta_1 \in \Phi$  with  $\vartheta_1^\circ \subseteq \vartheta_2^\circ$  then also  $\vartheta_2 \in \Phi$ .
  - (ii) An  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi$  is *true* if  $Q(\gamma_0) \in \Phi$  for each facet  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$ .
  - (iii) An  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi$  is maximal if no further projected  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $Q(\gamma_0)$  can be added to  $\Phi$ .

**Example 1.3.4.** Denote by  $\vartheta := \operatorname{cone}(\operatorname{deg}(f_1), \ldots, \operatorname{deg}(f_r)) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  the weight cone of R. Each vector  $w \in \vartheta$  defines an  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch





We call the K-grading of R pointed if  $R_0 = \mathbb{K}$  and the weight cone  $\vartheta$  is pointed. The following notion will be of central interest in Chapter 2.

**Definition 1.3.5.** A bunched ring is a triple  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  where R is an almost freely factorially K-graded, integral, normal, affine K-algebra with  $\mathbb{K}^*$  as its group of homogeneous units. Moreover,  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a system of pairwise non-associated K-prime generators for R and  $\Phi$  is a true  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

To each bunched ring  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  we implicitly assign the degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$ and the positive orthant  $\gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ . The relevant algebraic data of a bunched ring is 1. PRELIMINARIES

stored in the collection of relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces and the covering collection given by

$$rlv(\Phi) := \{ \gamma_0 \preceq \gamma; \gamma_0 \text{ is an } \mathfrak{F}\text{-face and } Q(\gamma_0) \in \Phi \}, \\ cov(\Phi) := \{ \gamma_0 \in rlv(\Phi); \gamma_0 \text{ minimal} \}.$$

Recall that a variety X is called an  $A_2$ -variety if for each two points  $x, x' \in X$  there is an affine, open neighborhood  $U \subseteq X$  such that  $x, x' \in U$ . A normal variety is  $A_2$  if and only if there is a closed embedding into a toric variety. The following construction is essential.

**Construction 1.3.6.** Let  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  be a bunched ring. Write  $\mathfrak{F} = (f_1, \ldots, f_r)$ . Consider the action of the quasitorus  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$  on the affine variety  $\overline{X} := \operatorname{Spec} R$ . We assign to each  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  the open affine variety

$$\overline{X}_{\gamma_0} := \overline{X}_{f_1^{u_1} \cdots f_r^{u_r}} \quad \text{with } u = (u_1, \dots, u_r) \in \gamma_0^{\circ}.$$

This is independent of the choice of  $u \in \gamma_0^{\circ}$ . We then obtain an open *H*-invariant subset

$$\widehat{X}(R,\mathfrak{F},\Phi) := \widehat{X} := \bigcup_{\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)} \overline{X}_{\gamma_0} = \bigcup_{\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{cov}(\Phi)} \overline{X}_{\gamma_0} \subseteq \overline{X}.$$

The *H*-action on  $\widehat{X}$  admits a good quotient *p*. This means we have an irreducible normal  $A_2$ -variety  $X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi) := X := \widehat{X} /\!\!/ H$  with

$$\operatorname{Spec} R = \overline{X} \quad \supseteq \quad \widehat{X} \xrightarrow{p} X$$

Then X is of dimension  $\dim(R) - \dim(K_{\mathbb{Q}})$ . Moreover, the Cox ring of X is isomorphic to R, we have  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}^*) = \mathbb{K}^*$  and there is an isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Cl}(X) \to K, \quad [D_i] \mapsto \operatorname{deg}(f_i) \quad \text{where } D_i := p\left(V(\widehat{X}; f_i)\right)$$

and the  $D_i \subseteq X$  are prime divisors. Furthermore, the affine open subsets  $\overline{X}_{\gamma_0} \subseteq \widehat{X}$  with  $\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  are *H*-saturated and we have an affine cover

$$X = \bigcup_{\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)} X_{\gamma_0}, \qquad X_{\gamma_0} := p\left(\overline{X}_{\gamma_0}\right) \subseteq X.$$

We call an embedding of varieties  $\iota: X \to X'$  big if the codimension of  $X' \setminus \iota(X)$  is at least two. Moreover, an  $A_2$ -variety X is called  $A_2$ -maximal if for each big open embedding  $\iota: X \to X'$  with an  $A_2$ -variety X', we have  $\iota(X) = X'$ . Projective varieties are  $A_2$ -maximal.

**Theorem 1.3.7.** Consider an irreducible, normal  $A_2$ -variety with finitely generated class group  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$  and finitely generated Cox ring  $R := \mathcal{R}(X)$ . Suppose  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}^*) = \mathbb{K}^*$ . Fix a system  $\mathfrak{F}$  of pairwise non-associated  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ -prime generators for  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ .

- (i) There is a maximal 𝔅-bunch Φ and a big open embedding X → X(R,𝔅,Φ).
  (ii) If, in (i), X is A<sub>2</sub>-maximal, then X ≅ X(R,𝔅,Φ).
- **Definition 1.3.8.** A *Mori dream space* is an irreducible, complete, normal variety X with finitely generated class group Cl(X) and finitely generated Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ .

We will use the term Mori dream space in a slightly more general setting in Chapter 2. An  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi$  of cones in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is called *projective* if  $\Phi = \Phi(w)$  for a vector  $w \in K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  as in Example 1.3.4. The following corollary states the correspondence to bunched rings. **Corollary 1.3.9.** For each Mori dream space X there is a bunched ring  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  such that  $X \cong X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$ . Moreover, there is a bijection

$$\left\{\begin{array}{c} projective \ Mori\\ dream \ spaces \end{array}\right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{\begin{array}{c} bunched \ rings \ with \ a\\ projective \ bunch \ of \ cones \end{array}\right\}$$

Observe that the GIT-fan presents the possible choices for the ample class w defining the projective bunch  $\Phi(w)$ . The moving cone of R is the polyhedral cone

$$\operatorname{Mov}(R) := \bigcap_{i=1}^{r} \operatorname{cone}(f_j; j \neq i) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

**Remark 1.3.10.** Fix a finitely generated abelian group K and a factorially K-graded, integral, normal, affine  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra R with K-prime generators  $f_1, \ldots, f_r$  and  $\mathbb{K}^*$  as its homogeneous units. Let  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$  act on  $\overline{X} := \operatorname{Spec} R$ . Consider a projective Mori dream space Y with Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(Y) \cong R$  and class group  $\operatorname{Cl}(Y) \cong K$ . Then

$$Y \cong X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi(w))$$
 for some  $\lambda \in \Lambda(\overline{X}, H), w \in \lambda^{\circ} \subseteq \operatorname{Mov}(R)^{\circ}.$ 

Let X be an irreducible normal variety and Z a toric variety with dense torus  $\mathbb{T}_Z$ , basepoint  $z_0 \in Z$  and invariant prime divisors  $D_Z^1, \ldots, D_Z^r$ . Write  $D_Z^i = \overline{\mathbb{T}_Z \cdot z_i}$ with  $z_i \in Z$ . Let  $\varphi \colon X \to Z$  be a morphism. Assume  $\varphi^{-1}(D_Z^i) \subseteq X$  are pairwise different irreducible hypersurfaces for each  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . Define

$$Z' := \mathbb{T}_Z \cdot z_0 \cup \ldots \cup \mathbb{T}_Z \cdot z_r \subseteq Z.$$

Then the codimension of  $X \setminus \varphi^{-1}(Z')$  in X is at least two and there is a canonical pullback homomorphism



where  $\operatorname{WDiv}^{\mathbb{T}_Z}(Z')$  and  $\operatorname{CDiv}^{\mathbb{T}_Z}(Z')$  denote the respective  $\mathbb{T}_Z$ -invariant divisors. Since principal divisors are mapped to principal divisors,  $\varphi^*$  induces the map in the lower row which we denote again by  $\varphi^* \colon \operatorname{Cl}(Z) \to \operatorname{Cl}(X)$ .

**Definition 1.3.11.** Let X be an irreducible, normal variety and Z a toric variety with dense torus  $\mathbb{T}_Z$  and invariant prime divisors  $D_Z^1, \ldots, D_Z^r$ . A closed embedding  $\iota: X \to Z$  is a *neat embedding* if

$$\iota^{-1}\left(D_{Z}^{1}\right), \qquad \dots, \qquad \iota^{-1}\left(D_{Z}^{r}\right) \subseteq X$$

are pairwise different irreducible hypersurfaces and the homomorphism  $\iota^* \colon \operatorname{Cl}(Z) \to \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  is an isomorphism.

**Construction 1.3.12** (Canonical toric ambient variety). Consider a bunched ring  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  with degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  and positive orthant  $\gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ . Setting  $M := \ker(Q)$  we have exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow L \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^r \xrightarrow{P} N$$
$$0 \longleftarrow K \xleftarrow{Q} \mathbb{Z}^r \xleftarrow{P^*} M \xleftarrow{Q} M$$

0

For each face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$ , let  $\gamma_0^* := \gamma_0^{\perp} \cap \delta$  be the dual face where  $\delta := \gamma^{\vee}$ . Consider the collection of faces  $\Theta$  and the fans  $\widehat{\Sigma} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$  and  $\Sigma \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}} := N \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  given by

$$\begin{split} \Theta &:= \{\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma; \text{ there is } \gamma_1 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi) \text{ with } \gamma_1 \preceq \gamma_0 \text{ and } Q(\gamma_1)^\circ \subseteq Q(\gamma_0)^\circ \}, \\ \widehat{\Sigma} &:= \{\delta_0 \preceq \delta; \text{ there is } \gamma_0 \in \Theta \text{ with } \delta_0 \preceq \gamma_0^* \}, \\ \Sigma &:= \{P(\gamma_0^*); \gamma_0 \in \Theta \}. \end{split}$$

As in Construction 1.3.6, let  $\widehat{X} := \widehat{X}(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  and  $X := X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$ . Consider the action of the quasitorus  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$  on  $\overline{X} := \operatorname{Spec} R$ . Let  $\overline{Z} := \mathbb{K}^r$  be the toric variety corresponding to the cone  $\delta$ . The generators  $\mathfrak{F} = (f_1, \ldots, f_r)$  for R provide a closed embedding

$$\overline{\iota} \colon \overline{X} \to \overline{Z}, \qquad z \mapsto (f_1(z), \dots, f_r(z))$$

which is *H*-equivariant if we install the diagonal *H*-action on  $\overline{Z}$  given by the characters  $\chi^{w_1}, \ldots, \chi^{w_r}$  with  $w_i := \deg(f_i) \in K$ . We have a diagram



where  $\widehat{Z}$  and Z are the toric varieties corresponding to  $\widehat{\Sigma}$  and  $\Sigma$  respectively,  $\hat{\iota}$  is the restriction of  $\bar{\iota}$ , the induced map of quotients  $\iota$  is a neat embedding and the toric morphism  $\widehat{Z} \to Z$ , the *Cox construction*, corresponds to the matrix P.

**Definition 1.3.13.** In the setting of Construction 1.3.12, we call  $\iota: X \to Z$  the canonical toric embedding and Z the canonical toric ambient variety of X.

We now give a short survey of the basic geometry of varieties arising from bunched rings. A first step is the decomposition into strata.

**Construction 1.3.14.** Let the situation be as in Construction 1.3.6. To an  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  we assign the locally closed set

$$\overline{X}(\gamma_0) := \left\{ z \in \overline{X}; f_i(z) \neq 0 \iff e_i \in \gamma_0 \text{ for each } 1 \le i \le r \right\} \subseteq \overline{X}.$$

Their union gives a disjoint covering of  $\overline{X}$ . We obtain a disjoint decomposition into locally closed *strata* as

$$X = \bigcup_{\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)} X(\gamma_0), \qquad X(\gamma_0) := p\left(\overline{X}(\gamma_0)\right) = X_{\gamma_0} \setminus \bigcup_{\substack{\gamma_1 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi), \\ \gamma_0 \prec \gamma_1}} X_{\gamma_1}.$$

Let X be normal and irreducible. Given  $x \in X$ , the *local class group* Cl(X, x) is the factor group of WDiv(X) by the group of all divisors that are principal in a neighborhood of x. The *Picard group* Pic(X) is the group CDiv(X)/PDiv(X) of Cartier divisors modulo principal divisors. Moreover, a point  $x \in X$  is *factorial* if near x each Weil divisor is principal. Similarly,  $x \in X$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -*factorial* if near x, for each Weil divisor  $D \in WDiv(X)$ , there is  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  such that nD is principal. If each point is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial, the variety X is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -*factorial*.

**Proposition 1.3.15.** Consider the setting of Construction 1.3.6. and let  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  be the degree matrix. For each  $\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  and each point  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$  we have a

diagram



It is independent of the choice of  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$ . The following claims hold.

- (i) The point x is factorial if and only if  $Q(\ln(\gamma_0) \cap \mathbb{Z}^r)$  equals K.
- (ii) The point x is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial if and only if  $Q(\gamma_0)$  is of full dimension.
- (iii) The point x is smooth if and only if it is factorial and there is a smooth point  $z \in p^{-1}(x) \subseteq \widehat{X}$ .

Moreover,  $\operatorname{Pic}(X)$  is isomorphic to the Picard group of the canonical toric ambient variety Z and it is free if Z has a toric fixed point. Within  $K \cong \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  it is given by

$$\operatorname{Pic}(X) = \bigcap_{\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{cov}(\Phi)} Q\left(\operatorname{lin}(\gamma_0) \cap \mathbb{Z}^r\right).$$

The effective cone is the convex polyhedral cone Eff(X) in  $\text{Cl}(X)_{\mathbb{Q}} := \text{Cl}(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ generated by the divisor classes of effective divisors. The stable base locus of a divisor  $D \in \text{WDiv}(X)$  is

$$\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}} \bigcap_{f \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}(nD))} \operatorname{Supp} \left( \operatorname{div}_{nD}(f) \right).$$

We call a divisor  $D \in \mathrm{WDiv}(X)$  movable if its stable base locus is of codimension at least two. The moving cone  $\mathrm{Mov}(X) \subseteq \mathrm{Cl}(X)_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is the convex polyhedral cone consisting of all movable divisor classes. Furthermore, a divisor  $D \in \mathrm{WDiv}(X)$  with empty stable base locus is called *semiample*. It is *ample* if there is a covering of Xby affine sets  $X \setminus \mathrm{Supp}(\mathrm{div}_{nD}(f))$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ . The convex cones  $\mathrm{SAmple}(X)$  and  $\mathrm{Ample}(X) \subseteq \mathrm{Cl}(X)_{\mathbb{Q}}$  consist of all semiample or ample divisor classes, respectively.

**Proposition 1.3.16.** Consider the situation of Construction 1.3.6 with degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  and  $\gamma = \mathbb{Q}^r_{>0}$ . Within  $K_{\mathbb{Q}} = \operatorname{Cl}(X)_{\mathbb{Q}}$  we have the cones

$$\operatorname{Eff}(X) = Q(\gamma), \qquad \operatorname{SAmple}(X) = \bigcap_{\substack{\tau \in \Phi \\ \tau \in \Phi}} \tau,$$
$$\operatorname{Mov}(X) = \bigcap_{\substack{\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma \\ facet}} Q(\gamma_0), \qquad \operatorname{Ample}(X) = \bigcap_{\tau \in \Phi} \tau^{\circ}.$$

We now treat the case of a variety  $X = X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  arising from a bunched ring  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  with  $\mathfrak{F} = (f_1, \ldots, f_r)$  and grading group K where R is a *complete intersection*, i.e., there are  $d := r - \dim(R)$  polynomials  $g_1, \ldots, g_d$  that are K-homogeneous and generate the kernel of

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r] \to R, \qquad T_i \mapsto f_i.$$

We write  $u_1, \ldots, u_d \in K$  for the degrees of  $g_1, \ldots, g_d$  and  $w_1, \ldots, w_r \in K$  for the degrees of  $f_1, \ldots, f_r \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Recall that a variety X is *Gorenstein* if its anticanonical divisor is Cartier. If some positive multiple of its anticanonical divisor is Cartier, X is called  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein. The variety X is Fano if it is irreducible, normal, projective and its anticanonical divisor is ample.

**Proposition 1.3.17.** In the situation of Construction 1.3.6, assume  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  is a complete intersection bunched ring. Within K = Cl(X), the anticanonical divisor

class of X is

$$-w_X^{\text{can}} = \sum_{i=1}^r w_i - \sum_{i=1}^d u_i \in K.$$

Moreover, the following properties hold.

- (i) X is Gorenstein if and only if -w<sup>can</sup><sub>X</sub> ∈ Pic(X).
  (ii) X is Q-Gorenstein if and only if -w<sup>can</sup><sub>X</sub> ∈ lin(τ) for each τ ∈ Φ.
- (iii) X is Fano if and only if  $-w_X^{\operatorname{can}} \in \operatorname{Ample}(X)$ .

In the setting of Proposition 1.3.17, we say that the variety X is *n*-Gorenstein if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  is minimal with  $-nw_X^{\operatorname{can}} \in \operatorname{Pic}(X)$ .

### 4. Modifications and surfaces

We recapitulate some basic geometry of *surfaces*, i.e., two-dimensional irreducible varieties. Also, the notions of contractions and blow ups of a variety are being recalled. This section is a summary of [5], mainly Chapter V, the thesis of U. Derenthal [33], mostly Chapter 1, and Chapters II.7 and V of R. Hartshorne's book [48]. Compare also [51, Sec. 6] and Beauville's book [14, Ch. II].

Consider a smooth, projective surface X and two distinct curves  $D_1, D_2$  on X, i.e., irreducible subvarieties of dimension one. In other words,  $D_1, D_2 \in WDiv(X) =$  $\operatorname{CaDiv}(X)$  are prime divisors with coefficient one. Their intersection number  $D_1 \cdot D_2$ is the sum over all *intersection multiplicities*  $m_x$ , that is

$$D_1 \cdot D_2 := \sum_{x \in D_1 \cap D_2} m_x, \qquad m_x := \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \left( \mathcal{O}_{X,x} / \langle f_x^{(1)}, f_x^{(2)} \rangle \right)$$

where  $f_x^{(i)} \in \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is a germ of a generator for the ideal  $I(D_i)$  near x. Note that if  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  intersect transversally and are smooth,  $D_1 \cdot D_2$  is the number of intersection points. Taking intersection numbers extends to a symmetric Z-valued bilinear form on WDiv(X) that only depends on the classes of the involved divisors. This means we have an *intersection product* 

$$\operatorname{Cl}(X) \times \operatorname{Cl}(X) \to \mathbb{Z}, \qquad ([D_1], [D_2]) \mapsto D_1 \cdot D_2.$$

Given  $D \in WDiv(X)$ , its self-intersection number is  $D^2 := D \cdot D$ . We call a curve  $D \subseteq X$  negative or non-negative if  $D^2 < 0$  or  $D^2 \ge 0$ , respectively. A (-k)-curve is an irreducible curve with  $C^2 = -k$  that is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_1$ .

We turn to *modifications*, i.e., proper birational morphisms. Let X be a projective Mori dream space and  $D \subseteq X$  a prime divisor. By a *contraction* of D, we mean a morphism  $\pi: X \to X'$  mapping D to a point such that the restriction  $\pi: X \setminus D \to$  $X' \setminus \pi(D)$  is an isomorphism. For surfaces, the contractible divisors are exactly the negative, rational curves.

**Theorem 1.4.1** (Castelnuovo criterion). Let X be a projective, smooth surface and C an irreducible curve on X. Then C is a (-1)-curve if and only if there is a contraction  $\pi: X \to X'$  of C with a smooth, projective surface X'.

For general Mori dream spaces, we use the following remark. Let R be a K-graded  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra as in Construction 1.3.6 with pairwise non-associated K-prime generators  $f_1,\ldots,f_r$  and weight cone  $\vartheta \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . We say  $w_i := \deg(f_i) \in K$  is extremal if  $\vartheta \neq \operatorname{cone}(w_i; j \neq i)$ . Note that this definition differs from the one in [5].

**Remark 1.4.2.** Let  $X = X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  be a projective, Q-factorial variety corresponding to a bunched ring as in Construction 1.3.6. Assume  $\Phi = \Phi(w)$  holds for a full-dimensional GIT-cone  $\lambda \in \Lambda(\overline{X}, H)$  with  $w \in \lambda^{\circ}$ . Let  $D_Z \subseteq Z$  be a prime divisor and  $D_X := D_Z \cap X$  the corresponding prime divisor on X. Writing  $w' := [D_Z] = [D_X] \in K$  for their classes, the following are equivalent.

- (i) The vector  $w' \in K$  is extremal and there is a full-dimensional cone  $\lambda' \in \Lambda(\overline{X}, H)$  with  $w' \in \lambda'$  such that  $\lambda' \cap \lambda$  is of codimension one.
- (ii) There is a contraction  $X \to X'$  of  $D_X$  with a projective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial variety X'.



We come to the blow up of a variety in a subvariety. For the case of the blow up of a surface in a point x, this means replacing x by a curve isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_1$ .

**Construction 1.4.3** (Blow up). Let  $\iota: C \to X$  be a closed embedding of varieties. Then the ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_C$  on C, i.e., the kernel of  $\iota^*: \mathcal{O}_X \to \iota_*\mathcal{O}_C$ , is coherent and we have a quasi-coherent sheaf of graded  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -algebras

$$\mathcal{S} := \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}} \mathcal{I}_C^d, \qquad \Gamma\left(U, \mathcal{I}_C^d\right) := \begin{cases} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{I}_C)^d, & d > 0, \\ \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X), & d = 0. \end{cases}$$

It is possible to glue together the varieties  $\operatorname{Proj} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S})$  where  $U \subseteq X$  is open and affine. We obtain a variety  $X' := \operatorname{Proj} \mathcal{S}$  and a morphism  $\pi \colon X' \to X$  such that  $\pi^{-1}(U) \cong \operatorname{Proj} \Gamma(U, \mathcal{S})$  for all open, affine subsets  $U \subseteq X$ . We call  $\pi$  the blow up of X along the center C.

**Example 1.4.4.** In Construction 1.4.3, we blow up  $X := \mathbb{K}^n$  at the origin, i.e., at  $C = V(I) \subseteq X$  with  $I = \langle T_1, \ldots, T_n \rangle$  and  $S = \mathcal{O}_X(X) \oplus I \oplus I^2 \oplus \ldots$  We have an epimorphism

$$\psi: \mathcal{O}_X(X)[S_1, \dots, S_n] \to \mathcal{S}, \qquad S_i \mapsto T_i \in \mathcal{S}_1 = I.$$

Taking the Proj, we obtain an embedding of the blow up X' of X along C into Proj  $\mathcal{O}_X(X)[S_1,\ldots,S_n] \cong \mathbb{K}^n \times \mathbb{P}_{n-1}$ . The homogeneous generators  $T_iS_j - T_jS_i$  of  $\ker(\psi)$  then give a description

$$X' \cong \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{K}^n \times \mathbb{P}_{n-1}; x_i y_j = x_j y_i \text{ for all } i \neq j\} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^n \times \mathbb{P}_{n-1}.$$

Given a morphism  $\varphi \colon X \to Y$  of varieties and the ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_Y$  on Y, the *inverse image ideal sheaf*  $\varphi^{-1}\mathcal{I}_Y \cdot \mathcal{O}_X$  on X is the following: viewing  $\varphi$  as a map of topological spaces, we have the preimage sheaf  $\varphi^{-1}\mathcal{I}_Y$  in the sheaf of rings  $\varphi^{-1}\mathcal{O}_Y$  on X. We define  $\varphi^{-1}\mathcal{I}_Y \cdot \mathcal{O}_X$  as the image of  $\varphi^{-1}\mathcal{I}_Y$  under  $\varphi^{-1}\mathcal{O}_Y \to \mathcal{O}_X$ .

**Proposition 1.4.5.** Let  $\pi: X' \to X$  be the blow up of a variety X along a subvariety  $C \subseteq X$  as in Construction 1.4.3.

- (i) The morphism  $\pi$  is birational proper and surjective.
- (ii) The restriction  $\pi \colon \pi^{-1}(U) \to U$ , where  $U := X \setminus C$ , is an isomorphism.
- (iii) If X is projective, then X' is projective.

For a morphism  $\varphi \colon W \to X$  of varieties, let  $\pi' \colon W' \to W$  be the blow up of W at the inverse image ideal sheaf  $\varphi^{-1}\mathcal{I}_C \cdot \mathcal{O}_W$ . Then there is a unique morphism  $\varphi'$ such that



is commutative. Moreover, if  $\varphi \colon W \to X$  is an embedding, also  $\varphi' \colon W' \to X'$  is an embedding.

Given a blow up  $\pi: X' \to X$  along  $C \subseteq X$  as in Construction 1.4.3, we frequently also call the variety X' the blow up of X along C.

**Definition 1.4.6.** In Proposition 1.4.5, assume  $W \subseteq X$ . The proper transform of  $W \subseteq X$  under  $\pi: X' \to X$  is the subvariety  $W' \subseteq X'$ . The subvariety  $E \subseteq X'$  defined by the inverse image ideal sheaf  $\pi^{-1}\mathcal{I}_C \cdot \mathcal{O}_{X'}$  is the exceptional divisor of the blow up  $\pi: X' \to X$ .

Throughout this document we will mainly work with the blow up  $\pi: X' \to X$  of a smooth projective surface X at a point  $x \in X$ . Then the proper transform of a prime divisor  $D \in \operatorname{WDiv}(X)$  is the closure  $D' := \overline{\pi^{-1}(D \setminus \{x\})}$  in X' and the exceptional divisor is the preimage  $\pi^{-1}(x) \subseteq X'$ ; it is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_1$ .



**Remark 1.4.7** (Toric blow up). Let Z be a toric variety with defining fan  $\Sigma$ . Then the blow up of Z at a toric fixed point  $z_{\sigma} \in Z$  is the toric variety Z' with its fan  $\Sigma'$ obtained by the barycentric subdivision  $\Sigma' \to \Sigma$  of the cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ .

We define the *Picard number*  $\varrho(X) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  of a surface X as the rank of the Picard group Pic(X). Note that for Q-factorial X the Picard number equals the rank of the class group. Moreover, given a point x on a smooth surface X and a principal divisor  $D = V(f) \in \text{WDiv}(X)$ , we write  $\mu(x, D) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  for the *multiplicity* of x in D; this is the maximal integer  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that  $f \in \mathfrak{m}_x^r$  with the maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}_x \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ . If  $x \in D$ , then  $\mu(x, D) \geq 1$  and equality holds if D is smooth.

**Proposition 1.4.8.** Let  $\pi: X' \to X$  be the blow up of a smooth surface X at a point  $x \in X$ .

- (i) The surface X' is smooth. If X is projective, then so is X'.
- (ii) The class group Cl(X') is isomorphic to Cl(X) ⊕ Z and the Picard group Pic(X') is isomorphic to Pic(X) ⊕ Z. In particular, the Picard number increases by one, i.e., ρ(X') = ρ(X) + 1.
- (iii) The self intersection number of the exceptional divisor  $E \subseteq X'$  is  $E^2 = -1$ and E does not intersect the proper transforms of prime divisors  $D \in$ WDiv(X) with  $x \notin D$ .
- (iv) Let  $D \in \mathrm{WDiv}(X)$  be a prime divisor. Then the proper transform  $D' \in \mathrm{WDiv}(X')$  of D has self-intersection number  $(D')^2 = D^2 \mu(x, D)^2$ . In particular, if D is smooth and contains x then  $(D')^2 = D^2 1$ .

Given surfaces  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ , we call a sequence  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  of points  $x_i \in X_i$  infinitely near if for all  $2 \leq i \leq n$  the surface  $X_i$  is the blow up of  $X_{i-1}$  in  $x_{i-1}$  and  $x_i \in X_i$  projects to  $x_{i-1}$  under  $X_i \to X_{i-1}$ . The union of the proper transforms of the *n* exceptional divisors is also called the *exceptional divisor over*  $x_1$ .

A resolution (of singularities) of a normal, projective variety X is a proper morphism  $\pi: X' \to X$  with a smooth, projective surface X' such that the restriction

$$\pi^{-1}(U) \to U, \qquad U := X \setminus X^{\text{sing}}$$

is an isomorphism. If X is a surface, there is a unique minimal resolution  $X' \to X$ , i.e., each other resolution  $X'' \to X$  factors through  $X' \to X$ .

**Construction 1.4.9** (Graph of exceptional curves). Let X be a smooth, projective surface. Consider the colored, undirected, simple graph  $G_X = (V, E)$  where V is the set of negative curves of X and the edges E are defined by

$$(D_1, D_2) \in E \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad D_1 \cdot D_2 > 0.$$

The color function  $V \to \mathbb{Z}$  is given by  $D \mapsto D^2$ . We call  $G_X$  the graph of exceptional curves or the exceptional graph.

Note that isomorphic surfaces  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  have isomorphic graphs  $G_{X_1}$ ,  $G_{X_2}$ . In particular, the number of (-k)-curves on  $X_1$  and on  $X_2$  must coincide for each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . Consider a singular point x on a normal surface X with the exceptional divisor E over x and the exceptional graph  $G_{X'}$  of the minimal resolution  $X' \to X$ . Assume the only negative curves are (-1)- and (-2)-curves. If for some n, one of the graphs



is isomorphic to the subgraph  $G_{X',-2} \subseteq G_{X'}$  of (-2)-curves occurring within E, then x is called an *ADE-singularity* of the type indicated below the fitting graph. The next remark recalls the fact that the Cox ring of a Mori dream surface X already contains all information about X.

**Remark 1.4.10.** Let X be a projective Mori dream surface. Then there is exactly one full-dimensional GIT-cone  $\lambda \in \Lambda(\overline{X}, H_X)$  with  $\lambda \subseteq \text{Mov}(X)^\circ$ . In particular, in Construction 1.3.6 the bunch  $\Phi$  can be obtained from  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ , i.e., is redundant.

#### 5. Complexity-one *T*-varieties and $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces

We recall the theory of rational varieties with a torus action of codimension one, so-called complexity-one varieties. This class of varieties can be handled purely in terms of matrices. We put special emphasis on the surface case. This section is a summary of [5], mainly Chapters V.4 and III.4, and E. Huggenberger's thesis [61]. Compare also [53, 86]. We will work in the notation of [61]; the main difference to [5] is the ordering of the slopes in Construction 1.5.2.

**Definition 1.5.1.** A complexity-one (T-) variety is a rational,  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial, complete, normal variety X with an effective action of a torus T with  $\dim(T) = \dim(X) - 1$ . A  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface is a complexity-one T-surface.

We will first treat the important special case of  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces. Higher dimensional complexity-one *T*-varieties will be constructed at the end of this section. The defining data of a variety of complexity one, i.e., the bunched ring as in Section 3, is encoded in a *P*-matrix.

**Construction 1.5.2** (*P*-matrix). Let  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  and  $n_0, \ldots, n_r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  be positive integers. For each  $0 \leq i \leq r$ , consider tuples  $l_i := (l_{i1}, \ldots, l_{in_i}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}^{n_i}$  and  $d_i :=$ 

 $(d_{i1},\ldots,d_{in_i}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{n_i}$  such that

$$\frac{d_{i1}}{l_{i1}} < \ldots < \frac{d_{in_i}}{l_{in_i}}, \qquad \gcd(l_{ij}, d_{ij}) = 1 \text{ for all } i, j.$$

Set  $n := n_0 + \ldots + n_r$ . We have an integral  $r \times n$  block matrix L and an integral  $1 \times n$  block matrix d

$$L := \begin{bmatrix} -l_0 & l_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -l_0 & 0 & \cdots & l_r \end{bmatrix}, \quad d := \begin{bmatrix} d_0 & \cdots & d_r \end{bmatrix}.$$

We define four types of *P*-matrices, namely the following integral  $(r+1) \times (n+m)$  matrices where  $m \in \{0, 1, 2\}$  counts the number of additional columns

(ee) 
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} L \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$
, (pp)  $P = \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ d & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  
(pe)  $P = \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ d & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , (ep)  $P = \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ d & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

We require the columns of P to be pairwise different and primitive and they must generate  $\mathbb{Q}^{r+1}$  as a cone. We denote by  $v_{ij}$ , where  $0 \leq i \leq r$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n_i$ , the first n columns of P and by  $v_k$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq m$ , the last m columns of P. Accordingly, we write  $e_{ij}, e_k$  for the canonical basis vectors of  $\mathbb{Q}^{n+m}$ .

**Construction 1.5.3.** Given  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ , consider a  $2 \times (r+1)$  matrix  $A = [a_0, \ldots, a_r]$  over  $\mathbb{K}$  such that each two columns  $a_i$ ,  $a_j$  are linearly independent for  $i \neq j$ . Let P be a  $(r+1) \times (n+m)$  matrix as in Construction 1.5.2. Define

$$g_I := \det\left(\left[\begin{array}{ccc} T_i^{l_i} & T_{i+1}^{l_{i+1}} & T_{i+2}^{l_{i+2}} \\ a_i & a_{i+1} & a_{i+2} \end{array}\right]\right), \qquad T_j^{l_j} := T_{j1}^{l_{j1}} \cdots T_{jn_j}^{l_{jn_j}}, \qquad I \in \mathfrak{J}$$

where  $\mathfrak{J}$  is the set of all triples I = (i, i + 1, i + 2) with  $0 \le i \le r - 2$ . We obtain a  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra R(P, A) that is a complete intersection ring

$$R(P,A) := \mathbb{K}[T_{ij}, S_k; 0 \le i \le r, 1 \le j \le n_i, 1 \le k \le m] / \langle g_I; I \in \mathfrak{J} \rangle.$$

Consider the projection  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^{n+m} \to K$  with  $K := \mathbb{Z}^{n+m}/\mathrm{Im}(P^*)$ . We install a K-grading on R(P, A) by setting

$$\deg(T_{ij}) := Q(e_{ij}), \qquad \deg(S_k) := Q(e_k).$$

Then the variables  $T_{ij}$ ,  $S_k$  form a system of K-prime generators of R(P, A) and the grading is K-factorial and almost free.

**Theorem 1.5.4.** Each ring R(P, A) is the Cox ring of a Q-factorial, projective  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface X(P, A). The surface X(P, A) is determined by the matrices P and A up to isomorphism. Furthermore, each rational, normal, complete  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface is isomorphic to X(P, A) for suitable matrices A and P.

**Corollary 1.5.5.** Let X be a surface with Cox ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_n]/\langle c_1 T^{\nu_1} + c_2 T^{\nu_2} + c_3 T^{\nu_3} \rangle$  where  $c_i \in \mathbb{K}^*$  and  $\nu_i \in \mathbb{Z}^n_{\geq 0}$  are such that the  $T^{\nu_i}$  are pairwise coprime. Then X admits a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action.

**Remark 1.5.6.** In Construction 1.5.3, the ideal  $\langle g_I; I \in \mathfrak{J} \rangle$  is prime. In particular, each ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  generated by two polynomials

 $T^{\nu_1} + T^{\nu_2} + T^{\nu_3}, \qquad \lambda T^{\nu_2} + T^{\nu_3} + T^{\nu_4}, \qquad \lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\},$ 

with exponent vectors  $\nu_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^r$  and pairwise coprime terms is a prime ideal.

We now construct the canonical toric ambient variety of a  $\mathbb{K}^*\text{-surface}$  explicitly, compare Construction 1.3.12.

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**Construction 1.5.7.** Let P be a P-matrix as in Construction 1.5.2; write  $v_{ij}$  for its first n columns and  $v_1 = (0, \ldots, 0, 1)$  and  $v_2 = (0, \ldots, 0, -1)$  for its m possibly remaining columns. Define in  $\mathbb{Z}^{n+m}$  the cones

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^{-} &:= \operatorname{cone}(v_{01}, \dots, v_{r1}), \\
\sigma^{+} &:= \operatorname{cone}(v_{0n_{0}}, \dots, v_{rn_{r}}), \\
\tau_{ij} &:= \operatorname{cone}(v_{ij}, v_{ij+1}), & 0 \le i \le r, \ 1 \le j \le n_{i} - 1, \\
\tau_{i}^{-} &:= \operatorname{cone}(v_{i1}, v_{2}), & 0 \le i \le r, \\
\tau_{i}^{+} &:= \operatorname{cone}(v_{in_{i}}, v_{1}), & 0 \le i \le r.
\end{aligned}$$

Depending on the type (ee), (pp), (pe) or (ep) of the *P*-matrix, we have a fan  $\Sigma(P)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^{r+1}$  with the following maximal cones



Note that the drawings show the case r = 2. Moreover,  $\Sigma(P)$  is the fan of the canonical toric ambient variety Z(P) of X(P, A) of Construction 1.3.12 independent of A. The  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action on X(P, A) arises from the one-parameter subgroup  $t \mapsto (1, \ldots, 1, t)$  of the dense torus  $\mathbb{T}^{r+1}$  of Z(P).

Consider a *P*-matrix *P* as in Construction 1.5.2 with columns  $v_{ij}$  and  $v_1, v_2$  if needed. A block of *P* is a  $(r+1) \times n_i$  submatrix with columns  $v_{i1}, \ldots, v_{in_i}$  for some  $0 \le i \le r$  or, if present, the submatrix with all *m* occurring vectors  $v_1, v_2$  as its columns. We call  $U \in GL(n+m,\mathbb{Z})$  admissible if the matrix  $P \cdot U$  arises from *P* by switching columns within a block or by interchanging whole blocks. Similarly,  $S \in GL(r+1,\mathbb{Z})$  is admissible if the matrix  $S \cdot P$  arises from *P* by a sequence of the operations

- add  $\pm 1$ -multiples of the upper r rows of P to the last row,
- add  $\pm 1$ -multiples of the first r rows to one of the first r rows in order to achieve a block matrix shape as in Construction 1.5.2,
- multiply the last row by  $\pm 1$ .

**Proposition 1.5.8.** Consider  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces  $X_1 = X(P_1, A_1)$  and  $X_2 = X(P_2, A_2)$  with  $P_i$  and  $A_i$  as in Construction 1.5.3. Then  $X_1 \cong X_2$  if and only if

$$A_2 = B \cdot A_1 \cdot D$$
 and  $P_2 = S \cdot P_1 \cdot U$ 

for a matrix  $B \in GL(2, \mathbb{K})$ , a diagonal matrix  $D \in GL(r+1, \mathbb{K})$  and admissible matrices  $S \in GL(r+1, \mathbb{Z})$  and  $U \in GL(n+m, \mathbb{Z})$ .

Note that in Proposition 1.5.8 the condition on S can be directly seen by an inspection of the  $g_I$ . The next remark specializes to the case r = 2.

**Remark 1.5.9.** If in Proposition 1.5.8 for both surfaces  $X_i$  we have r = 2, then the condition on the  $A_i$  can be dropped, i.e.,  $X_1$  is isomorphic to  $X_2$  if and only if  $P_2 = S \cdot P_1 \cdot U$  with admissible matrices  $S \in GL(r+1,\mathbb{Z})$  and  $U \in GL(n+m,\mathbb{Z})$ .

We turn to the properties of the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action on a normal, projective  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface X = X(P, A). Given  $x \in X$ , the orbit map  $\mathbb{K}^* \to X$  with  $(t, x) \mapsto t \cdot x$  can be extended to a morphism  $\overline{\mu}_x : \mathbb{P}_1 \to X$ . Define the *limit points* 

$$\lim_{t \to 0} t \cdot x := \overline{\mu}_x(0), \qquad \lim_{t \to \infty} t \cdot x := \overline{\mu}_x(\infty).$$

Then, the image of  $\overline{\mu}_x$  is the closure of  $\mathbb{K}^* \cdot x$  and the limit points are distinct fixed points. Each fixed point is either *elliptic*, i.e., it is isolated and lies in the closure of infinitely many  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -orbits, *parabolic*, i.e., it belongs to a fixed point curve or it is *hyperbolic* which means it is isolated and lies in the closure of exactly two  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -orbits. We call  $F^- \subseteq X$  the *source* and  $F^+ \subseteq X$  the *sink* if there is a non-empty, open subset  $U \subseteq X$  such that

$$\lim_{t \to 0} t \cdot x \in F^-, \qquad \lim_{t \to \infty} t \cdot x \in F^+ \qquad \text{for all } x \in U.$$

There always is exactly one source and sink and they are either single elliptic fixed points or curves of parabolic fixed points. Any fixed point outside of  $F^+$  and  $F^-$  is hyperbolic.

**Proposition 1.5.10.** Let X = X(P, A) be as in Construction 1.5.7. Depending on the type of X, the following assertions hold.

- (ee) Both sink  $F^-$  and source  $F^+$  consist of an elliptic fixed point.
- (pp) Both sink F<sup>-</sup> and source F<sup>+</sup> are smooth rational curves consisting of parabolic fixed points.
- (pe) The source  $F^-$  is a smooth rational curve consisting of parabolic fixed points whereas the sink  $F^+$  consists of an elliptic fixed point.
- (ep) The source  $F^-$  consists of an elliptic fixed point whereas the sink  $F^+$  is a smooth rational curve consisting of parabolic fixed points.

Let  $D_{ij} \subseteq X$  and  $D_k \subseteq X$  be the toric divisors corresponding to the variables  $T_{ij}$ and  $S_k$  of R(P, A). Then  $D_{ij}$  and  $D_k$  are rational curves. Let Z(P) be the toric variety with fan  $\Sigma(P)$  of Construction 1.5.7.

- (i) The toric orbit corresponding to the ray  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v_{ij} \in \Sigma(P)$  cuts out a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -orbit  $B_{ij} \subseteq D_{ij}$ .
- (ii) The toric orbit corresponding to a cone  $\tau_{ij} \in \Sigma(P)$  cuts out a hyperbolic fixed point  $x_{ij} \in X$ .
- (iii) For each  $0 \leq i \leq r$ , the divisors  $D_{ij}$  form a chain of rational curves connecting the source  $F^-$  with the sink  $F^+$  in the following sense: picking points  $b_{ij} \in B_{ij}$ , we have

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} t \cdot b_{ij} = x_{ij+1} = \lim_{t \to 0} t \cdot b_{ij+1}$$
$$\lim_{t \to 0} t \cdot b_{i1} \in F^-, \qquad \qquad \lim_{t \to \infty} t \cdot b_{in_i} \in F^+.$$

(iv) Let  $x \in X$  with  $x \notin F^+ \cup F^-$  and  $x \notin D_{ij}$  for all i, j. Then the limit points for  $t \to 0$  and  $t \to \infty$  are elements of  $F^-$  and  $F^+$  respectively.



We now rephrase Constructions 1.5.2 and 1.5.3 in order to cope with higher-dimensional complexity-one T-varieties.

**Construction 1.5.11.** Choose  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ , integers  $n_0, \ldots, n_r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  and  $m, s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that 0 < s < n + m - r where  $n := n_0 + \ldots + n_r$ . For each  $0 \le i \le r$ , pick a tuple  $l_i := (l_{i_1}, \ldots, l_{i_{n_i}}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}^{n_i}$ . Additionally, fix a  $2 \times (r+1)$  matrix A over  $\mathbb{K}$  with pairwise linearly independent columns as well as integral  $s \times n$  and  $s \times m$  matrices d and d' with the following property: in the  $(r+s) \times (n+m)$  block matrix

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 \\ d & d' \end{bmatrix}, \qquad L := \begin{bmatrix} -l_0 & l_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -l_0 & 0 & \cdots & l_r \end{bmatrix}$$

the columns are pairwise different, primitive and the cone generated by them equals  $\mathbb{Q}^{r+s}$ .

**Construction 1.5.12.** Let P and A be as in Construction 1.5.11 and consider the ring R := R(P, A) obtained from Construction 1.5.3. The system  $\mathfrak{F} = (T_{ij}, S_k)$  consists of homogeneous K-prime generators for R. Given any true  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi$  in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , we obtain a bunched ring  $(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$ . Construction 1.3.6 delivers  $\overline{X}(P, A) :=$  Spec(R) and

$$\widehat{X}(P,A,\Phi) \ := \ \widehat{X}(R,\mathfrak{F},\Phi), \qquad X(P,A,\Phi) \ := \ X(R,\mathfrak{F},\Phi).$$

Define  $H_0 := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K_0]$  where  $K_0 := \mathbb{Z}^{n+m}/\operatorname{Im}(P_0^*)$  and  $P_0 := (L, 0)$  consists of the first r rows of P. Then  $H_0$  leaves  $\widehat{X}(P, A, \Phi)$  invariant and there is an induced effective action of the torus  $T := H_0/H = \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}^s)$  on X.

**Theorem 1.5.13.** In Construction 1.5.12,  $X(P, A, \Phi)$  is an irreducible normal  $A_2$ -variety of dimension s + 1 with  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}) = \mathbb{K}$  and the torus  $T := H_0/H$  acts effectively with maximal orbit dimension  $\dim(X) - 1$  on X. In turn, each  $A_2$ -variety with  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}) = \mathbb{K}$  and torus action of complexity one arises from Construction 1.5.12.

See, e.g., Example 2.4.7 for a complexity one *T*-variety X that arises as  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$  as in Theorem 1.5.13.

## CHAPTER 2

## Basic algorithms for Mori dream spaces

In this chapter, we present basic algorithms and data types needed to compute with Mori dream spaces. We use the correspondence between Mori dream spaces and bunched rings explained in Section 3 of Chapter 1.

Section 1 deals with gradings by a finitely generated abelian group, e.g., the Cl(X)grading of a Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ . To this end, we introduce a data type for finitely generated abelian groups and their homomorphisms and show how to perform basic operations thereon. Afterwards, in Section 2, we show how to compute with rings that come with a grading by a finitely generated abelian group; this will be used to store the Cox ring of a Mori dream space. Section 3 then represents a Mori dream space X by its Cl(X)-graded Cox ring and a bunch of cones. Several algorithms are given to explore the properties and geometry of X. Finally, Section 4 is concerned with algorithms that work in the more specialized setting of complexity one Tvarieties.

This section uses results of [5, 17, 6], see the explicit references below. All presented algorithms have been implemented in the *MDSpackage* [54, 55], see Appendix A. Throughout this chapter, we will mainly use the following example.

**Example 2.0.14.** Consider the finitely generated abelian group  $K := \mathbb{Z}^3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  and the factorially K-graded ring

$$R := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] / \langle f_1 \rangle, \qquad f_1 := T_1 T_6 + T_2 T_5 + T_3 T_4 + T_7 T_8$$

where the K-grading is encoded in the *degree matrix* having  $\deg(T_1), \ldots, \deg(T_8)$  as its columns

		1	1	0	0	-1	-1	2	-2	1
Q	_	0	1	1	-1	-1	0	1	-1	
	_	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	·
		1	$\overline{0}$	1	$\overline{0}$	1	$\overline{0}$	1	0	

Choose in  $K \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}^3$  the vector w := (0, 0, 2). This defines a projective  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi = \Phi(w)$  in R, see Example 1.3.4. By Construction 1.3.6, these data determine a Mori dream space  $X = X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$ .

## 1. Finitely generated abelian groups and homomorphisms

In this section, we treat basic algorithms for finitely generated abelian groups and their homomorphisms. We will use them to work with gradings in subsequent sections. Some of these algorithms have also been implemented in [16] together with B. Bechtold, R. Birkner, L. Kastner, O. Motsak and A.-L. Winz. We assume that the reader is familiar with the basic algorithms on lattices as, e.g., used in [20]; compare the textbooks [75, 82]. We present the following algorithms:

- Compare groups: isomorphism test (Algorithm 2.1.4), test for containment (Algorithm 2.1.6), test for equality (Algorithm 2.1.8).
- Construct new groups: factor groups (Algorithm 2.1.9), product groups (Algorithm 2.1.10), free part (Algorithm 2.1.11), intersection (Algorithm 2.1.13).

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- *Image, kernel:* image (Algorithm 2.1.17), preimage (Algorithm 2.1.18), kernel (Algorithm 2.1.19), test for being injective (Algorithm 2.1.20), test for being surjective (Algorithm 2.1.21), complete an exact sequence (Algorithm 2.1.22).
- Gale duality: compute the degree map Q out of P (Algorithm 2.1.24), compute P out of Q (Algorithm 2.1.25), compute the projection  $Q^0$  onto the free part out of Q (Algorithm 2.1.26).
- Homomorphisms as degree maps, etc.: gradiator (Algorithm 2.1.29), test for being homogeneous (Algorithm 2.1.31), test for being almost free (Algorithm 2.1.32), section (Algorithm 2.1.34).

**Remark 2.1.1.** Let K be a finitely generated abelian group with elementary divisors  $a_1, \ldots, a_k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Recall, e.g., from [76, Sec. I.10], that there is a sublattice  $L \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  such that

$$K \cong \mathbb{Z}^r/L \cong \mathbb{Z}^d \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{Z}/a_i\mathbb{Z}$$

with  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . Consider now a subgroup  $H \leq K$ . Then there is a sublattice  $U \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  such that

$$H \cong U/(U \cap L) \cong (U+L)/L \leq \mathbb{Z}^r/L.$$

**Definition 2.1.2.** Let a finitely generated abelian group H be given with a description  $H \cong (U+L)/L$  as in Remark 2.1.1. We call the pair (U, L) in this setting an AG, an abbreviation for *abelian group*.

We do not differentiate between an AG and the underlying finitely generated abelian group.

**Example 2.1.3.** In Example 2.0.14, the grading group  $K = \mathbb{Z}^3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  is given as an AG  $K = (\mathbb{Z}^4, \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} ((0, 0, 0, 2))).$ 

Writing generators into the columns of a matrix, we may consider sublattices of  $\mathbb{Z}^r$  as integral matrices. Given an integral  $d \times r$  matrix A, write  $\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (A)$  for the sublattice of  $\mathbb{Z}^r$  generated by its columns and  $\mu_A \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^d$  for the multiplication map  $z \mapsto A \cdot z$ . Elements of an AG (U, L) are usually given as elements of  $\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (U) \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$ . The name of each algorithm is given in parentheses beside its number.

**Algorithm 2.1.4** (AGareisom). *Input:* AGs  $G_1 = (U_1, L_1)$  and  $G_2 = (U_2, L_2)$ .

- Compute lattice bases for  $\mu_{U_i}^{-1}(L_i)$  and write their elements in the columns of  $d \times n_i$  matrices  $M_i$ .
- Compute Smith normal forms  $S_i = (s_{kl}^i)_{k,l}$  of  $M_i$ . Denote by  $r_i$  the number of zero-rows of  $S_i$ . Return *false* if  $r_1 \neq r_2$ .
- Return false if the two sets  $\{|s_{jj}^i|; 1 \leq j \leq \min(n_i, d)\}$  are different. Otherwise, return true.

*Output:* true if  $G_1$  is isomorphic to  $G_2$  and false otherwise.

*Proof.* The abelian groups are isomorphic if their decompositions  $\mathbb{Z}^{r_i} \oplus \bigoplus_j \mathbb{Z}/a_{ij}\mathbb{Z}$  as  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules coincide. To show that the algorithm computes these descriptions, let  $\operatorname{pr}_{U_i} : U_i \to U_i/U_i \cap L_i$  be the canonical projection. Then  $\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (M_i)$  is the kernel of  $\pi_{U_i} = \operatorname{pr}_{U_i} \circ \mu_{U_i}$  where

$$\mathbb{Z}^{r} \xrightarrow{\pi_{U_{i}}} U_{i}/L_{i} \cap U_{i}$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z}^{r}/\text{lin}_{\mathbb{Z}}(M_{i}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z}^{r}/\text{lin}_{\mathbb{Z}}(S_{i})$$

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**Remark 2.1.5.** In Algorithm 2.1.4, the preimage can be computed as follows. Consider integral matrices A and B of sizes  $n \times r$  and  $n \times r'$ . Compute a lattice basis L for the integral kernel of the concatenated matrix [A, -B]. A lattice basis of the projection of L onto the first r components delivers a basis for  $\mu_A^{-1}(\lim_{\mathbb{Z}}(B))$ ; see [20].

**Algorithm 2.1.6** (AGcontains). *Input:* an AG  $(U_1, L_1)$  and either an AG  $(U_2, L_2)$  or a vector  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^{r_1}$ . In the latter case, define  $U_2 := \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (w)$  and  $L_2 := L_1$ .

• Return false if  $L_1 \neq L_2$  or  $U_1 + L_1 \not\subseteq U_2 + L_2$ . Return true otherwise.

*Output:* true if  $(U_1, L_1)$  is a subgroup of  $(U_2, L_2)$  or if  $(U_1, L_1)$  contains  $w + L_1$ , respectively. Returns *false* if this is not the case.

**Remark 2.1.7.** In Algorithm 2.1.6, we can check containment of a vector  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  in a sublattice  $L \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  by the following steps. Compute a lattice basis K for the integral kernel of the enlarged matrix [L, v]. Then  $v \in L$  if and only if the elements of the last row of K (considered as a matrix) are coprime; see [20].

Algorithm 2.1.8 (AGareequal). Input: either two AGs  $G_1 = (U_1, L_1)$  and  $G_2 = (U_2, L_2)$  or two vectors  $w, w' \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  and an AG G = (U, L).

• Using Algorithm 2.1.6, in the first input case, return *true* if  $G_1 \subseteq G_2$  and  $G_2 \subseteq G_1$ . In the second input case, return *true* if  $w - w' \in L$ . Otherwise, return *false*.

*Output:* depending on the input, *true* if  $G_1 = G_2$  or w = w' as elements of G. Otherwise, *false* is returned.

Algorithm 2.1.9 (AGfactgrp). Input: AGs  $G_1 = (U_1, L_1)$  and  $G_2 = (U_2, L_2)$  where  $G_2 \leq G_1$  is a subgroup.

• Return the AG  $(U_1, U_2 + L_2)$ .

*Output:* an AG describing the factor group  $G_1/G_2$ .

*Proof.* Since  $G_2 \leq G_1$  we have  $L_1 = L_2$  and  $U_2 \subseteq U_1$ . The second isomorphism theorem yields the claim

$$G_1/G_2 = ((U_1 + L_1)/L_1) / ((U_2 + L_2)/L_2)$$
  

$$\cong (U_1 + L_2) / (U_2 + L_2)$$
  

$$= (U_1 + (U_2 + L_2)) / (U_2 + L_2).$$

**Algorithm 2.1.10** (AGprodgrp). *Input:* AGs  $G_1 = (U_1, L_1)$  and  $G_2 = (U_2, L_2)$ .

• Consider  $U_i$ ,  $L_i$  as matrices with generators for the respective lattices as their columns. Return the AG (U, L) where, for zero-matrices of fitting sizes, U and L are generated by the columns of

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{array}\right], \qquad \left[\begin{array}{cc} L_1 & 0 \\ 0 & L_2 \end{array}\right].$$

*Output:* an AG describing the product group  $G_1 \times G_2$ .

Given a finitely generated abelian group K, we denote by  $K^{\text{tor}} \leq K$  the subgroup of torsion elements, i.e., elements  $w \in K$  such that kw = 0 for an integer  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The *free part* is the factor group  $K^0 := K/K^{\text{tor}}$ . Moreover, recall that the *saturation* of a lattice  $L \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  is the sublattice  $L^{\text{sat}} \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  consisting of all  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  such that  $kv \in L$  for a  $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ .

Algorithm 2.1.11 (AGfreepart). Input: an AG K = (U, L).

• Return the AG  $(U, L^{\text{sat}})$ .

*Output:* an AG describing the free part  $K/K^{tor}$ .

*Proof.* The fact that the AG  $(U, L^{sat})$  is the free part can be seen by using the second isomorphism theorem in

$$\begin{split} K &= U/U \cap L \xrightarrow{v+U \cap L \mapsto v+U \cap L^{\operatorname{sat}}} U/U \cap L^{\operatorname{sat}} \\ & & \uparrow \cong \\ & & K/K^{\operatorname{tor}} \underbrace{\qquad} (U/U \cap L) \, / \, \left( (U \cap L^{\operatorname{sat}})/U \cap L \right) \end{split}$$

**Example 2.1.12.** Consider the AGs  $G := (\mathbb{Z}^4, \{0_{\mathbb{Z}^4}\})$  and  $H := (L, \{0_{\mathbb{Z}^4}\})$  with  $L := \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} ((0, 0, 0, 2))$ . By Algorithm 2.1.6, we have  $H \leq G$ . Moreover, by 2.1.9, the factor group G/H equals the grading group  $K = (\mathbb{Z}^4, \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} ((0, 0, 0, 2)))$  of Example 2.1.3. Using 2.1.11, we see that the free part of K is  $K^0 = \mathbb{Z}^3$ .

Algorithm 2.1.13 (AGintersect). Input: AGs  $G_1 = (U_1, L)$  and  $G_2 = (U_2, L)$ .

• Return the AG  $((U_1 + L) \cap (U_2 + L), L)$ .

*Output:* an AG describing the intersection  $G_1 \cap G_2$ .

*Proof.* The intersection  $G_1 \cap G_2$  is determined by intersecting the respective lattices as summarized by the following diagram; upward arrows stand for inclusion and downward arrows for projection.



**Remark 2.1.14.** In Algorithm 2.1.13 the intersection  $L_1 \cap L_2$  of two sublattices  $L_1, L_2 \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  can be computed as follows. Write lattice bases for  $L_i$  into the columns of  $r \times n_i$  matrices  $A_i$ . Compute a lattice basis K for the kernel of the matrix  $[A_1, -A_2]$ . Denote by B the projection of K onto the first  $n_1$  coordinates. A Hermite normal form of  $A_1B$  then has generators for  $L_1 \cap L_2$  as its columns; see [20].

We turn to homomorphisms of finitely generated abelian groups. A typical example are degree matrices of Cox rings.

**Definition 2.1.15.** Consider a homomorphism  $\varphi: G_1 \to G_2$  of finitely generated abelian groups. We encode  $\varphi$  in an AGH, i.e., a triple  $(G_1, G_2, A)$  where  $G_i = (U_i, L_i)$  are AGs and A is an integral matrix satisfying

$$\mu_A(U_1 + L_1) \subseteq U_2 + L_2, \quad \mu_A(L_1) \subseteq L_2.$$

This means we have a diagram



Example 2.1.16. In the situation of Examples 2.0.14 and 2.1.3, consider the degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^8 \to K$  with  $Q(e_i) = \deg(T_i)$  and grading group  $K = \mathbb{Z}^3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . We encode Q as an AGH (F, K, A) with AGs F, K and a  $4 \times 8$  matrix A given by

Algorithm 2.1.17 (AGHim). Input: an AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$  with  $G_i = (U_i, L_i)$ and an AG  $H_1 = (U'_1, L_1)$  with  $H_1 \leq G_1$ .

- Compute the lattice M generated by the image  $\mu_A(U'_1 + L_1)$ .
- Return the AG  $(M, L_2)$ .

*Output:* an AG describing the image  $\varphi(H_1)$  as a subgroup of  $G_2$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\pi_i: \mathbb{Z}^{r_i} \to \mathbb{Z}^{r_i}/L_i$  be the canonical projections. We are in the situation of the diagram

$$U_{2} + L_{2} \xleftarrow{\mu_{A}} U_{1} + L_{1} \geq U_{1}' + L_{1}$$

$$\downarrow^{\pi_{2}} \qquad \downarrow^{\pi_{1}} \qquad \downarrow^{\pi_{1}}$$

$$G_{2} \xleftarrow{\varphi} G_{1} \geq H_{1}$$

The correctness of the algorithm follows from the observation

$$\varphi(H_1) = \{\varphi(\pi_1(v)); v \in U'_1 + L_1\} = \{\pi_2(\mu_A(v)); v \in U'_1 + L_1\}.$$

Algorithm 2.1.18 (AGHpreim). Input: an AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$  with  $G_i =$  $(U_i, L_i)$  and an AG  $H_2 = (U'_2, L_2)$  with  $H_2 \leq G_2$ .

- Compute the sublattice M := µ<sub>A</sub><sup>-1</sup>(U<sub>2</sub>' + L<sub>2</sub>) of Z<sup>r1</sup>.
  Determine the sublattice M' := M ∩ (U<sub>1</sub> + L<sub>1</sub>) of Z<sup>r1</sup>.

*Output:* the AG  $(M', L_1)$  describing the preimage  $\varphi^{-1}(H_2)$  as a subgroup of  $G_1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\pi_i: \mathbb{Z}^{r_i} \to \mathbb{Z}^{r_i}/L_i$  be the canonical projections. We are in the situation of the diagram

The correctness of the algorithm follows from the observation

$$\varphi^{-1}(H_2) = \pi_1 \left( \{ v \in U_1 + L_1; \, \mu_A(v) \in U'_2 + L_2 \} \right) \\ = \pi_1 \left( \mu_A^{-1}(U'_2 + L_2) \cap (U_1 + L_1) \right) \square$$

**Algorithm 2.1.19** (AGHker). *Input:* an AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$  with  $G_i = (U_i, L_i)$ .

• Call Algorithm 2.1.18 with input  $\varphi$  and the AG ( $\{0\}, L_2$ ).

*Output:* an AG describing  $\varphi^{-1}(0)$  as a subgroup of  $G_1$ .

As a consequence of the previous algorithms, we can test a homomorphism of finitely generated abelian groups for being injective or surjective.

Algorithm 2.1.20 (AGHisinj). Input: an AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$ .

- Use Algorithm 2.1.19 to compute  $M := \ker(\varphi)$ .
- Return *true* if M equals the trivial subgroup of  $G_1$  and return *false* otherwise.

*Output:* true if  $\varphi$  is injective and false otherwise.

Algorithm 2.1.21 (AGHissurj). Input: an AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$ .

- Use Algorithm 2.1.17 to compute  $N := \text{Im}(\varphi)$ .
- Return true if, by Algorithm 2.1.8,  $N = G_2$ . Return false otherwise.

*Output:* true if  $\varphi$  is surjective and false otherwise.

Algorithm 2.1.22 (AGH completes eq). Input: a surjective or injective AGH  $\varphi = (G, G', A)$  where G = (U, L) and G' = (U', L') with sublattices  $U, L \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  and  $U', L' \leq \mathbb{Z}^{r'}$ .

- If, by Algorithm 2.1.21,  $\varphi$  is surjective
  - use Algorithm 2.1.19 to compute the AG  $M := \ker(\varphi) \leq G$ ,
  - return the AGH  $(M, G, E_r)$  where  $E_r$  is the  $r \times r$ -unit matrix.
- If, by Algorithm 2.1.20,  $\varphi$  is injective
  - compute the AG K := G/G' with Algorithm 2.1.9,
  - return the AGH  $(G', K, E_{r'})$  where  $E_{r'}$  is the  $r' \times r'$ -unit matrix.

*Output:* if  $\varphi$  is surjective, an AGH  $\iota = (M, G', B)$  is returned such that we have an exact sequence

$$0 < - G' <_{\varphi} G <_{\iota} M < - 0 .$$

If  $\varphi$  is injective, an AGH  $\pi = (G', K, B)$  is returned such that we have an exact sequence

$$0 <\!\!-\!\!- K <\!\!-\!\!- G <\!\!-\!\!- 0 \ .$$

**Example 2.1.23.** We continue Example 2.1.16. Applying Algorithm 2.1.22 to the surjective AGH  $\pi := Q = (\mathbb{Z}^8, K, A)$ , we obtain an injective AGH  $\varphi := (G, \mathbb{Z}^8, E_8)$ , where  $E_8$  is the  $8 \times 8$  unit matrix and  $G \leq \mathbb{Z}^8$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}^5$  with

$$G = (\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} B, \{0_{\mathbb{Z}^8}\}), \qquad B := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 4 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -2 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 & -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider an  $n \times r$  matrix P of full rank, and a surjective homomorphism  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  of finitely generated abelian groups fitting into the diagram of dual exact sequences of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow L \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^r \xrightarrow{P} \mathbb{Z}^n$$

 $0 \triangleleft K \triangleleft \overset{Q}{\longleftarrow} \mathbb{Z}^r \triangleleft \overset{P^*}{\longleftarrow} \mathbb{Z}^n \triangleleft 0$ 

We then call Q and P Gale dual. If K is free, Q is given by an integral matrix which we call a Gale dual matrix for P. Note that Gale dual homomorphisms or matrices are not unique.

Algorithm 2.1.24 (AGHP2Q). Input: an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P of rank n.

- Compute a Smith normal form  $S = V \cdot P^* \cdot W$  of the transpose  $P^*$  with invertible integral matrices V, W. Write  $S = (S_{ij})_{i,j}$ .
- Let  $v_{i_1}, \ldots, v_{i_d}$  be the rows of V with  $i_k > \operatorname{rank}(S)$ . Let  $v_{j_1}, \ldots, v_{j_s}$  be the rows of V with  $1 < |S_{j_1j_1}| < \ldots < |S_{j_sj_s}|$ . Define B as the matrix with rows  $v_{i_1}, \ldots, v_{i_d}, v_{j_1}, \ldots, v_{j_s}$ .
- with rows v<sub>i1</sub>,..., v<sub>id</sub>, v<sub>j1</sub>,..., v<sub>js</sub>.
  Define the AG K = (Z<sup>r-l</sup>, S') where S' is obtained from S by removing the l rows i of S with S<sub>ii</sub> = 1. Then K is isomorphic to Z<sup>d</sup> ⊕ ⊕<sup>s</sup><sub>i=1</sub> Z/|S<sub>jiji</sub>|Z.

*Output:* the AGH ( $\mathbb{Z}^r, K, B$ ). It represents a Gale dual homomorphism  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^r / \text{Im}(P^*)$  of P.

*Proof.* Assume that in S there are l entries of absolute value one. Let  $pr: \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^{r-l}$  be the projection onto the other coordinates. By the diagram



the group K is equal to  $\mathbb{Z}^{r-l}/\text{Im}(\text{pr} \circ \mu_S)$  up to row permutations and, hence, also to  $\mathbb{Z}^r/\text{Im}(\mu_{P^*})$ . By choice of B, the AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, B)$  is surjective and  $\pi \circ \mu_B \circ \mu_{P^*} = 0$  since for each  $a \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  we have

$$\pi \circ \mu_B \circ \mu_{P^*}(a) = \pi \circ \operatorname{pr} \circ \mu_S \circ \mu_{W^{-1}}(a) = \overline{0} \in K.$$

We will see an application of Algorithm 2.1.24 in Example 2.1.30.

Algorithm 2.1.25 (AGHQ2P). Input: a surjective AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$ .

- Use Algorithm 2.1.19 to compute  $\ker(Q) \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  as an AG (U, 0).
- Return the transpose  $U^*$ .

*Output:* an integral  $r \times n$  matrix P that is a Gale dual matrix for Q.

Given a surjective AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  we can compute the free part  $K^0 = K/K^{\text{tor}}$ , compare Algorithm 2.1.11. Then there is an integral, surjective matrix  $Q^0$  fitting into the diagram



Algorithm 2.1.26 (AGHQ2Q0). Input: a surjective AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  where K = (U, L).

• Compute a matrix B satisfying  $\ker(B) = L^{\text{sat}}$ ; see Remark 2.1.27.

• Define  $Q^0 := B \cdot A$ .

*Output:* the integral matrix  $Q^0$ . Considered as a map, we have  $\operatorname{pr} \circ Q = Q^0$  with the projection  $\operatorname{pr}: K \to K^0 = K/K^{\operatorname{tor}}$ .

*Proof.* As an AG, we have  $K^0 = (U, L^{\text{sat}})$ , see Algorithm 2.1.11. Then the canonical projection  $\mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^r/L^{\text{sat}}$  is given by  $\mu_B$ . The algorithm is correct by the diagram



**Remark 2.1.27.** In Algorithm 2.1.26, *B* can be computed by first computing an invertible matrix *U* such that *UL* is in Hermite normal form. Removing the first rank(*L*) rows of *U* yields a matrix *B* with ker(*B*) =  $L^{\text{sat}}$ ; see [20].

**Example 2.1.28.** Consider the AGH Q of Example 2.1.16. An application of Algorithms 2.1.25 and 2.1.26 yields the matrices

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 4 & -2 & -6 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad Q^0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Recall from [5, Con. III.2.4.2] that the gradiator of a list of polynomials  $f_1, \ldots, f_s \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is a homomorphism  $\mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  of finitely generated abelian groups such that  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$  is the maximal quasitorus in  $\mathbb{T}^r$  leaving  $V(f_1, \ldots, f_s) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  invariant.

Algorithm 2.1.29 (AGH gradiator). See [5, Constr. III.2.4.2]. Input: a list of polynomials  $f_1, \ldots, f_s \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Write  $f_i = a_{i,1}T^{\nu_{i,1}} + \ldots + a_{i,n_i}T^{\nu_{i,n_i}}$  with  $a_{i,j} \in \mathbb{K}^*$ .

- For  $1 \le i \le s$  let  $P_i$  be the  $(n_i 1) \times r$  matrix with rows  $\nu_{i,k} \nu_{i,1}$  where  $2 \le k \le n_i$ . Let P be the vertical concatenation of  $P_1, \ldots, P_s$ .
- Use Algorithm 2.1.24 to compute an AGH  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^r / \text{Im}(P^*)$ .

*Output:* the pair (Q, P) where  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^r / \text{Im}(P^*)$  is the gradiator and P is a Gale dual matrix.

**Example 2.1.30.** We continue Example 2.0.14. Applying Algorithm 2.1.29 to  $f_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$ , we obtain a pair (Q', P') with an AGH  $Q' = (\mathbb{Z}^8, \mathbb{Z}^5, A')$  where

$$P' = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that, given an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  with K = (U, L), the degree of a homogeneous polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with respect to the grading deg $(T_i) = Q(e_i)$  is deg $(f) = A \cdot \nu + L \in K$  where  $T^{\nu}$  is any non-zero monomial in f.

Algorithm 2.1.31 (AGHishomog). Input: an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  and polynomials  $f_1, \ldots, f_s \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

- For each  $i = 1, \ldots, s$  do
  - if there are two monomials  $T^{\nu}$ ,  $T^{\mu}$  of  $f_i$  such that, by Algorithm 2.1.8,  $\deg(T^{\nu}) \neq \deg(T^{\mu})$  in K, then return *false*.

• Return *true*.

*Output:* true if all  $f_i$  are homogeneous with respect to the K-grading deg $(T_i) = Q(e_i)$ . Returns false otherwise.

Algorithm 2.1.32 (AGHisalmostfree). Input: an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$ .

- For each facet  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$  do
  - If, by Algorithm 2.1.8, the subgroup  $\langle Q(e_i); e_i \in \gamma_0 \rangle \leq K$  is different from K, then return *false*.
- Return *true*.

*Output:* true if the K-grading of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  given by deg $(T_i) = Q(e_i)$  is almost free. Returns *false* otherwise.

**Example 2.1.33.** In Example 2.0.14 and 2.1.16, applying Algorithms 2.1.21, 2.1.32, and 2.1.31, we see that Q is surjective, the grading defined by  $\deg(T_i) = Q(e_i)$  is almost free and  $f_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  is homogeneous of degree  $(0, 0, 2, \overline{1}) \in K$ . Moreover, Q has the AG G of Example 2.1.23 as its kernel.

Algorithm 2.1.34 (AGH section). Input: a surjective AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$  with AGs  $G_i = (U_i, L_i)$ .

- By a Hermite normal form computation, determine an integral matrix S such that  $A \cdot S$  is the unit matrix.
- Check if  $\psi = (G_2, G_1, S)$  defines an AGH, i.e., use Algorithm 2.1.6 to check whether  $\mu_S(U_2 + L_2)$  is a subset of  $U_1 + L_1$  and  $\mu_S(L_2) \subseteq L_1$ .
- Return  $\psi$  if the checks were positive. Return *false* otherwise.

*Output:* if no section  $G_2 \to G_1$  for  $\varphi$  was found, *false* is returned. Otherwise, an AGH  $(G_2, G_1, S)$  representing such a section is returned.

## 2. Graded rings

Using the correspondence 1.3.7, a Mori dream space is determined by its graded Cox ring and a bunch of cones. In this section, we encode the algebraic data of the Cox ring in a data type. We present the following algorithms on graded rings.

- *Grading:* integral points (Algorithm 2.2.2), homogeneous component (Algorithm 2.2.3) and its dimension (Algorithm 2.2.5).
- *Tropical algorithms:* tropical variety for one equation (Algorithm 2.2.7), containment in the tropical variety (Algorithm 2.2.8).
- *Primality check, modifying polynomials:* check a variable for being *K*-prime (Algorithm 2.2.10), pullback and pushforward of a Laurent polynomial (Algorithms 2.2.12 and 2.2.13), closure (Algorithm 2.2.14).

Let  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  be a surjective AGH. Consider an integral, normal, affine Kalgebra  $R := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  with an ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  that is homogeneous with respect to the K-grading

 $\deg(T_1) := Q(e_1), \qquad \dots, \qquad \deg(T_r) := Q(e_r).$ 

Assume R is factorially K-graded, has  $\mathbb{K}^*$  as its homogeneous units and the grading is almost free. Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be a set of K-prime generators for I and consider the matrix  $Q^0$  fitting into



with the free part  $K^0 = K/K^{\text{tor}}$ . Assume  $\mathfrak{F} = (\overline{T}_1, \ldots, \overline{T}_r)$  is a system of pairwise non-associated K-prime generators for R. Fix a Gale dual matrix P for Q and store the  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces in a list  $F_{\mathfrak{F}}$ .

**Definition 2.2.1.** In the above setting, we encode the graded ring R in the tuple  $(G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and speak of a GR.

We do not differentiate between a GR and the underlying ring R. Note that G, P,  $Q^0$ ,  $F_{\mathfrak{F}}$  are all computable from a presentation  $R = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$ , see Algorithms 2.1.25, 2.1.26; we will postpone the computational aspects of  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces until Chapter 3. We implicitly assign the respective positive orthant  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$  to a GR. Some of the following algorithms need the list of *lattice points*  $B \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$  or *interior points*  $B^\circ \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$  of a polytope  $B \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$ . The following is an ad-hoc method using a bounding box; see, e.g., [11, 29] for advanced algorithms.

**Algorithm 2.2.2** (intpoints). *Input:* a polytope  $B \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$ .

- Compute for each  $1 \leq i \leq r$  bounds  $b_i^{\bullet}$  and  $b_{i\bullet} \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  such that for each vertex v of B, we have  $b_{i\bullet} \leq v_i \leq b_i^{\bullet}$ .
- Set  $\mathcal{L} := \emptyset$ .
- For each  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  such that  $b_{i\bullet} \leq v_i \leq b_i^{\bullet}$  for all i do - if  $v \in B$ , then insert v into  $\mathcal{L}$ .

*Output:* the collection  $\mathcal{L}$  of lattice points  $B \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$ .



For a K-graded ring  $R = \bigoplus_{w \in K} R_w$ , the K-vector space  $R_w$  is called the homogeneous component or the graded component of R of degree w. Note that, by the decomposition  $K = K^0 \oplus K^{\text{tor}}$ , we can decompose each  $w \in K$  uniquely into  $w = w^0 + w^t$  with  $w^0 \in K^0$  and  $w^t \in K^{\text{tor}}$ .

**Algorithm 2.2.3** (GRgradedcomp). *Input:* a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and  $w \in K$ . Assume that the grading is pointed. Decompose  $w = w^0 + w^t$  with  $w^0 \in K^0$  and  $w^t \in K^{\text{tor}}$ .

- Let  $\mathcal{W} := \emptyset$ .
- For each  $f \in G$  do
  - Let  $\Delta := w^0 \deg(f)^0 \in K^0$ .
    - Use Algorithm 2.2.2 to compute the lattice points  $M_{\Delta} := B_{\Delta} \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$ of the fiber polytope  $B_{\Delta} := (Q^0)^{-1}(\Delta) \cap \gamma$ .
    - For each  $\nu \in M_{\Delta}$ , insert the polynomial  $T^{\nu} \cdot f$  into  $\mathcal{W}$  if  $\deg(T^{\nu} \cdot f) = w \in K$ .
- Use Algorithm 2.2.2 to compute the lattice points  $M_{w^0} := B_{w^0} \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$  of the fiber polytope  $B_{w^0} := (Q^0)^{-1}(w^0) \cap \gamma$ . Store the elements  $\nu \in M_{w^0}$ with  $\deg(T^{\nu}) = w \in K$  as ordered list  $(\nu_1, \ldots, \nu_k)$ .
- Given  $g \in \mathcal{W}$ , let  $v_g \in \mathbb{K}^k$  be the image of g under  $T^{\nu_i} \mapsto e_i$ . Let A be the matrix with the  $v_g$  as its columns where g runs through  $\mathcal{W}$  in a fixed order.
- Compute a Smith normal form  $S = U \cdot A \cdot V$  with integral, invertible matrices U, V. Write  $s := \operatorname{rank}(S)$ .
- Return the list  $(\sum_{j=1}^{k} (b_i)_j T^{\nu_j}; 1 \le i \le s)$  where  $b_i := U^{-1} \cdot e_i$ .

*Output:* a basis for  $\langle G \rangle_w$  considered as a K-vector space.

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**Lemma 2.2.4.** Consider a pointed grading  $\bigoplus_{w \in K} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]_w$  of the polynomial ring by a finitely generated abelian group K. Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be an ideal with K-homogeneous generators  $g_1, \ldots, g_s$ . Then

$$I_w = \lim_{\mathbb{K}} \left( T^{\nu} g_i; \ 1 \le i \le s, \ \deg(T^{\nu}) + \deg(g_i) = w \right) \qquad for \ each \ w \in K.$$

*Proof.* Given  $f \in I_w$ , write  $f = h_1g_1 + \ldots + h_sg_s$  with polynomials  $h_1, \ldots, h_s \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . By the direct sum decomposition, we may write each  $h_i$  uniquely as  $h_i = \sum_k h_{i,k}$  with  $h_{i,k} \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]_k$ . Since f equals its degree-w part  $f_w$ , we have

$$f = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{s} h_i g_i\right)_w = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{s} \left(\sum_k h_{i,k}\right) g_i\right)_w = \sum_{i=1}^{s} h_{i,w-w_i} g_i,$$

where in the last step, we defined  $w_i := \deg(g_i)$ . The other inclusion is obvious.  $\Box$ 

Proof of Algorithm 2.2.3. Note that since  $Q^0$  is pointed,  $B_{\Delta}$  and  $B_{w^0}$  are polytopes. Observe that the vector space  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]_w$  has the  $\mathbb{K}$ -basis  $(T^{\nu_1}, \ldots, T^{\nu_k})$  and  $\lim_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathcal{W}) = \langle G \rangle_w$  as a  $\mathbb{K}$ -vector space by Lemma 2.2.4. We now show that the remaining steps of the algorithm compute a basis for  $\langle G \rangle_w$ . Consider the isomorphism of  $\mathbb{K}$ -vector spaces

$$\varphi \colon \lim_{\mathbb{K}} (T^{\nu_1}, \dots, T^{\nu_k}) \to \mathbb{K}^k, \qquad T^{\nu_i} \mapsto e_i.$$

That is  $\varphi(g) = v_g$  for each polynomial  $g \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]_w$ . Moreover, by construction,  $(b_1, \ldots, b_s)$  is a basis for  $\varphi(\lim_{\mathbb{K}} (\mathcal{W}))$ . The last step in the algorithm applies the inverse map for  $\varphi$ , i.e., maps  $b \in \mathbb{Q}^k$  to  $\sum b_i T^{\nu_i}$ . We summarize the situation by a diagram where rightward arrows are inclusions and the remaining arrows are isomorphisms.



Algorithm 2.2.5 (GRgradedcompdim). Input: a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and a vector  $w \in Q^0(\gamma)$ . Assume that the grading is pointed. Decompose  $w = w^0 + w^t$ with  $w^0 \in K^0$  and  $w^t \in K^{\text{tor}}$ .

- Use Algorithm 2.2.2 to compute the set  $M_{w^0} := B_{w^0} \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$  with the fiber polytope  $B_{w^0} := (Q^0)^{-1}(w^0) \cap \gamma$ . Denote by  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  the number of elements  $\nu \in M_{w^0}$  with  $\deg(T^{\nu}) = w \in K$ .
- Compute a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $\langle G \rangle_w$  with Algorithm 2.2.3. Write  $d := n |\mathcal{B}|$ .

*Output:* the dimension  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  of the graded component  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]_w / \langle G \rangle_w$ .

**Example 2.2.6.** Consider in the setting of Example 2.0.14 the graded ring  $R = (\{f_1\}, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  where Q is as in Example 2.1.16 and P and  $Q^0$  are as in Example 2.1.28. We apply Algorithm 2.2.3 to R and  $w := (1, 0, 3, \overline{0}) \in K$ . We have

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_8]_w = \lim_{\mathbb{Q}} \left( T_1 T_7 T_8, T_1 T_3 T_4, T_1 T_2 T_5, T_1^2 T_6 \right),$$

where basis elements correspond to a positive combinations of w over the columns  $q_i$  of  $Q^0$ ; e.g., for  $T_1T_7T_8$  and  $T_1T_2T_5$ , we have:



Moreover, Algorithm 2.2.3 returns the basis  $(T_1f_1)$  for  $\langle f_1 \rangle_w$ . As obtained with Algorithm 2.2.5, we have

$$\dim \left( \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]_w / \langle f_1 \rangle_w \right)$$
  
= dim  $\left( \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]_w / \lim_{\mathbb{Q}} (T_1^2 T_6 + T_1 T_2 T_5 + T_1 T_3 T_4 + T_1 T_7 T_8) \right)$   
= 3.

Recall, e.g., from [78, 22], that given an affine variety  $\overline{X} := V(I) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  with a monomial-free ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , one assigns to I or to  $\overline{X}$  the tropical variety

$$\operatorname{trop}(I) := \operatorname{trop}\left(\overline{X}\right) := \bigcap_{f \in I} \operatorname{trop}(f) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$$

where  $\operatorname{trop}(f)$  is the support of the codimension one skeleton of the normal fan over the Newton polytope of f. There exists a fan  $\Upsilon \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$  with support  $|\Upsilon| = \operatorname{trop}(I)$ ; see [22] for its computation. This fan is a projectable fan, see [91, Prop. 2.8], so for the case of a Mori dream space  $X = X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  as in Construction 1.3.6, we may define  $\operatorname{trop}(X) := P(\operatorname{trop}(\overline{X}))$  where  $\overline{X}$  is the total coordinate space of X. For a single equation, we remark the following.

**Algorithm 2.2.7** (GRtrop). *Input:* a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  where  $P \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to N$  and G contains a single polynomial f.

- Let  $\Sigma$  be the normal fan over the Newton polytope of f.
- Let  $\widehat{\Upsilon}$  be the  $(\dim(\Sigma) 1)$ -skeleton of  $\Sigma$  and  $\Upsilon := P(\widehat{\Upsilon})$ .

*Output:* a fan  $\Upsilon$  in  $N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  with the tropical variety trop( $\langle G \rangle$ ) as its support.

Containment of a vector in the tropical variety can be done without computing the whole fan structure. For this, recall from [22, 41] that given a monomial-free ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , the *Gröbner cone* of a vector  $w \in \mathbb{Q}^r$  is the convex cone

$$\mathcal{C}(w) := \operatorname{cone}(w' \in \mathbb{Q}^r; \operatorname{in}_w(I) = \operatorname{in}_{w'}(I)) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$$

where  $\operatorname{in}_w(I)$  denotes the ideal  $(\operatorname{in}_w(f); f \in I) \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Here, the initial form  $\operatorname{in}_w(f)$  consists of all terms  $\alpha T^{\nu}$  of f that are maximal with respect to  $\nu \mapsto \langle w, \nu \rangle$ . Moreover, we have a description of the tropical variety

$$\operatorname{trop}(I) = \{ w \in \mathbb{Q}^r; \operatorname{in}_w(I) \text{ is monomial-free} \} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r.$$

If *I* is homogeneous, the *Gröbner fan* is the collection of all Gröbner cones  $\{\mathcal{C}(w); w \in \mathbb{Q}^r\}$ . It turns out to be a convex, polyhedral, complete fan in  $\mathbb{Q}^r$ . The tropical variety trop(*I*) then is the support of the subfan  $\Upsilon$  of the Gröbner fan of *I* that consists of all Gröbner cones  $\mathcal{C}(w)$  such that  $\operatorname{in}_w(I)$  is monomial-free.

Fix a monomial ordering > on  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Recall that for a vector  $v \in \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ , we obtain another monomial ordering  $>_v$  on  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  given by

$$T^{\nu} >_{v} T^{\mu} \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \langle v, \nu \rangle > \langle v, \mu \rangle \quad \text{or} \quad \left[ \langle v, \nu \rangle = \langle v, \mu \rangle \text{ and } T^{\nu} > T^{\mu} \right].$$

**Algorithm 2.2.8** (GRtropcontains). *Input:* a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and a vector  $v \in N$  or  $f \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  where  $P \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to N$ . Assume that the cone  $\omega$  over the columns  $q_1, \ldots, q_r$  of  $Q^0$  is pointed and no  $q_i$  is the zero-vector.

• If  $v \in N$  was given, then choose  $f \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  such that P(f) = v.

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- Determine  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that  $f' := f + af^+$  is an element of  $\mathbb{Z}_{>0}^r$  and compute a Gröbner basis  $\mathcal{G}_{>f'}$  for  $\langle G \rangle$  with respect to the monomial ordering  $>_{f'}$ .
- Consider the ideal  $\mathfrak{a} := \langle \inf_{f'}(g); g \in \mathcal{G}_{>_{f'}} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r].$
- Return *false* if the radical membership test  $T_1 \cdots T_r \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$  succeeds and return *true* otherwise.

*Output:* returns *true* if  $f \in \operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle)$  or  $v \in P(\operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle))$ , respectively. Returns *false* otherwise.

*Proof.* In the case of a given vector  $v \in N$ , since  $P^{-1}(P(\operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle))) = \operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle)$ , it suffices to choose any  $f \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  such that P(f) = v. By the definition of the tropical variety, we have

$$f \in \operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad T^{\nu} \notin \operatorname{in}_{f}(\langle G \rangle) \quad \text{for all } \nu \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{r}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \quad T_{1} \cdots T_{r} \notin \sqrt{\operatorname{in}_{f}(\langle G \rangle)}.$$

Note that since  $\omega$  is pointed,  $u_{|\omega \setminus \{0\}} > 0$ . Hence, we can coarsify the grading as claimed, i.e., we find the vector  $f' \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^r$ . By [90, Prop. 1.12] and its proof, for each  $g \in \langle G \rangle$  we have  $\inf_f(g) = \inf_{f'}(g)$ . Since f' is an element of the Gröbner cone of  $\langle G \rangle$  with respect to the ordering  $<_{f'}$ , by [41, Cor. 2.14], we conclude

$$\operatorname{in}_{f}(\langle G \rangle) = \operatorname{in}_{f'}(\langle G \rangle) = \left\langle \operatorname{in}_{f'}(g); g \in \mathcal{G}_{\geq_{f'}} \right\rangle.$$

**Example 2.2.9.** Let Q' and P' be as in Example 2.1.30 and compute  $(Q')^0$  with Algorithm 2.1.26. Consider the GR  $R' = (\{f_1\}, Q', (Q^0)', P', F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  where  $f_1$  is as in Example 2.0.14. Algorithm 2.2.7 then returns a two-dimensional pure fan  $P'(\Upsilon)$  in  $\mathbb{Q}^3$  with support  $|P'(\Upsilon)| = \operatorname{trop}(f_1)$ .



It is given as the codimension one skeleton of the normal fan over the standardsimplex. Moreover, using Algorithm 2.2.7, we verify that the vector  $v := (1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{Q}^3$  is contained in trop $(f_1)$ .

In the definition of bunched rings 1.3.5, we required the variables to define K-prime elements. We check this using the following direct method which was already published together with J. Hausen and A. Laface in [57, Alg. 4.2]. See [46, B.7] and [21, 25] for the computational background on how to compute the prime components  $c_i$  and number fields  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha_i)$ .

**Algorithm 2.2.10** (GRisKprime). *Input:* a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and an index  $1 \leq k \leq r$  where we consider  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  as a matrix and assume that the grading group is of shape  $K = \mathbb{Z}^s \oplus \mathbb{Z}/a_1\mathbb{Z} \oplus \ldots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/a_l\mathbb{Z}$ . We further require that  $G = \{f_1, \ldots, f_s\}$  is contained in  $\mathbb{Q}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

- If  $\langle f_1, \ldots, f_s, T_k \rangle$  is not a radical ideal, return *false*.
- Compute a decomposition  $\langle f_1, \ldots, f_s, T_k \rangle = \mathfrak{c}_1 \cap \ldots \cap \mathfrak{c}_m$  with prime ideals  $\mathfrak{c}_i$  and number fields  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha_i)$  such that  $\mathfrak{c}_i$  is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha_i)$ .

• Denote by  $q_1, \ldots, q_l$  the last l rows of Q and by  $\zeta_{a_i}$  the primitive  $a_i$ -th root of unity. Consider for any  $b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^l$  the map

 $\varphi_b \colon \mathbb{Q}(\alpha_i)[T_1,\ldots,T_r] \to \mathbb{L}[T_1,\ldots,T_r], \qquad T_j \mapsto \zeta_{a_1}^{b_1q_{1j}}\cdots \zeta_{a_l}^{b_lq_{lj}}T_j,$ where  $\mathbb{L} := \mathbb{Q}(\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_m,\zeta_{a_1},\ldots,\zeta_{a_l})$ . If for each two  $i \neq j$  there is  $b \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^l$  such that  $\varphi_b(\mathfrak{c}_i) = \mathfrak{c}_j$  in  $\mathbb{L}$ , then return *true*. Return *false* otherwise.

*Output:* true if  $T_k$  is K-prime in  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/\langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$  and false otherwise.

*Proof.* Let  $I := \langle G \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Consider the action of  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$  on  $Y := V(I) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$ . By [51, Prop. 3.2],  $T_k$  is K-prime in  $R = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  if and only if the divisor of  $T_k$  in Y is H-prime in the sense that it has only coefficients 0 or 1 and the prime divisors with coefficient 1 are transitively permuted by H.  $\Box$ 

**Example 2.2.11.** Consider the following factorially K-graded ring R where  $K := \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ ; we will encounter R later as the Cox ring of the surface with singularity type  $D_5A_3$  in Theorem 4.4.1.

$$R = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/I, \qquad I = \langle T_1T_3 - T_4^2 - T_5^2, \ T_1T_2 - T_3^2 + T_4T_5 \rangle,$$
  

$$\deg(T_1) = (1, \overline{2}), \quad \deg(T_2) = (1, \overline{2}), \quad \deg(T_3) = (1, \overline{0}),$$
  

$$\deg(T_4) = (1, \overline{3}), \quad \deg(T_5) = (1, \overline{1}).$$

We show that the variable  $T_1$  defines a K-prime element in R albeit it is not prime. The ideal  $I + \langle T_1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$  has the two prime components

$$\mathfrak{c}_1 = \langle T_1, T_4 - T_5 J, T_3^2 - T_4 T_5 \rangle, \qquad \mathfrak{c}_2 = \langle T_1, T_4 + T_5 J, T_3^2 - T_4 T_5 \rangle$$

defined in  $\mathbb{Q}(J)[T_1,\ldots,T_5]$  with the imaginary unit  $J \in \mathbb{C}$ . In the notation of Algorithm 2.2.10, we have  $a_1 = 4$ ,  $\zeta_{a_1} = J$  and  $\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{Q}(J)$ .



For  $b := 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ , the torsion part of the degrees  $\deg(T_i)$  defines the map

$$\varphi_b \colon \mathbb{Q}(J)[T_1,\ldots,T_5] \to \mathbb{L}[T_1,\ldots,T_5],$$

$$T_1 \mapsto -T_1, \quad T_2 \mapsto -T_2, \quad T_3 \mapsto T_3, \quad T_4 \mapsto -JT_4, \quad T_5 \mapsto JT_5.$$

Then, by the reasonsing of Algorithm 2.2.10,  $T_1$  is K-prime since  $\varphi_b$  permutes the ideals  $\mathfrak{c}_i \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(J)[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$  transitively: their images are

$$\langle T_1, -JT_4 + T_5, T_3^2 - T_4T_5 \rangle = \mathfrak{c}_2, \quad \langle T_1, -JT_4 - T_5, T_3^2 - T_4T_5 \rangle = \mathfrak{c}_1.$$

We come to basic modifications of polynomials; compare [57, 44] and Section 3 of Chapter 4. Consider a homomorphism  $p: \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^n$  of tori. Given a Laurent polynomial  $g \in \mathbb{K}[S_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, S_n^{\pm 1}]$ , its  $\star$ -pull back is a polynomial  $p^{\star}g \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $p^{\star}g$  and  $p^{\star}g$  coincide in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_r^{\pm 1}]$  up to units and the monomials of  $p^{\star}g$  are coprime. The  $\star$ -pull back always exists and is unique up to constants.

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**Algorithm 2.2.12** (pull). *Input:* a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{K}[S_1, \ldots, S_n]$  and an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P of full rank.

• Let g' be the image of f under the homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[S_1,\ldots,S_n] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1},\ldots,T_r^{\pm 1}], \qquad S_i \mapsto T^{P_{i*}}$$

- Choose  $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^r$  such that  $g := T^{\mu}g'$  is an element of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .
- While there is  $1 \le i \le r$  such that  $T_i \mid g$ , replace g by  $gT_i^{-1}$ .

*Output:*  $g \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $g = p^*g \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is the star pull back with the morphism of tori  $p: \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^n$  corresponding to P.

Consider a homomorphism  $p: \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^n$  of tori with kernel  $H \subseteq \mathbb{T}^r$ . Given an H-homogeneous polynomial  $h \in \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_r^{\pm 1}]$ , its  $\star$ -push forward is a polynomial  $p_{\star}h \in \mathbb{K}[S_1, \ldots, S_n]$  such that  $p^*p_{\star}h$  and h coincide in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_r^{\pm 1}]$  up to units and the monomials of  $p_{\star}g$  are coprime. The  $\star$ -push forward always exists and is unique up to constants.

**Algorithm 2.2.13** (push). *Input:* a polynomial  $h \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P of full rank such that h is H-homogeneous where  $H \subseteq \mathbb{T}^r$  is the kernel of the morphism of tori  $p: \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^n$  corresponding to P.

- Compute a Smith normal form  $D = U \cdot P \cdot V$  with integral invertible matrices U, V. Let  $\varphi_U \colon \mathbb{T}^n \to \mathbb{T}^n, \varphi_D \colon \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^n$  and  $\varphi_V \colon \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^r$  be the corresponding maps of tori.
- Use Algorithm 2.2.12 to compute  $g := \varphi_V^* h \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]$ .
- Write D = [D', 0] as a block matrix where D' is a diagonal matrix with diagonal entries  $d_1, \ldots, d_n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Let  $g' \in \mathbb{K}[S_1, \ldots, S_n]$  be the image of g under the map

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1^{d_1}, \dots, T_n^{d_n}, T_{n+1}, \dots, T_r] \to \mathbb{K}[S_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, S_n^{\pm 1}],$$
  
$$T_i^{d_i} \mapsto S_i \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le n, \qquad T_i \mapsto 0 \quad \text{else.}$$

• Use Algorithm 2.2.12 to compute  $f := \varphi_U^{\star} g' \in \mathbb{K}[S_1, \dots, S_n].$ 

*Output:* the \*-push forward  $f = p_* h \in \mathbb{K}[S_1, \ldots, S_n]$ .

*Proof.* Note that D is indeed of the claimed form since P is of full rank. As V is invertible, we have  $(\varphi_{V^{-1}})_* h = \varphi_V^* h$ . The same argument holds for U. The claim follows from the decomposition

$$p_{\star}h = (\varphi_{U^{-1}})_{\star}(\varphi_D)_{\star}(\varphi_{V^{-1}})_{\star}h \qquad \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{T}^r \xrightarrow{\varphi_{V^{-1}}} \\ p_{V} \\ \mathbb{T}^n \xleftarrow{\cong} \\ \mathbb{T}^n \xleftarrow{\varphi_{U^{-1}}} \\ \mathbb{T}^n \end{array}$$

and the fact that the  $\star$ -push forward under D is  $(\varphi_D)_{\star}g = g'$  since  $\varphi_D^{\star}g' = g$ . Observe that (the map used to obtain) g' is well-defined. Since h is  $\mathbb{Z}^r/\operatorname{Im}(P^*)$ -homogeneous the pull back  $\varphi_V^{\star}h$  is  $\mathbb{Z}^r/\operatorname{Im}(D^*)$ -homogeneous. This means that for each monomial  $T^{\nu}$  in  $\varphi_V^{\star}h$  we have  $d_i \mid \nu_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Recall that the *saturation* of an ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with respect to a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is the ideal

$$I: f^{\infty} := \left\{ g \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]; f^k g \in I \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1} \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r].$$

Algorithm 2.2.14 (closure). Compare [64, pp. 23–24]. *Input:* a list of generators  $f_1, \ldots, f_s$  for an ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

• Compute generators  $g_1, \ldots, g_n \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  for  $I: (T_1 \cdots T_r)^{\infty}$ .

*Output:* polynomials  $g_1, \ldots, g_m \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $\overline{V(\mathbb{T}^r; I)} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  is given by  $V(\mathbb{K}^r; g_1, \ldots, g_s)$ .

*Proof.* The associated primes of  $J := I : (T_1 \cdots T_r)^{\infty}$  are the vanishing ideals  $\mathfrak{p}_i \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r]$  of the irreducible components of  $X := V(J) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$ , see [46, Thm. 4.1.5]. We have  $\mathfrak{p}_i = \mathfrak{p}_i : (T_1 \cdots T_r)^\infty$  for each *i*, see [64, Lem. 2.5.8]. In particular, no component of X is contained in a coordinate hyperplane. This shows that the closure in  $\mathbb{K}^r$  is  $\overline{V(J) \cap \mathbb{T}^r} = V(J)$ . We now show  $V(J) \cap \mathbb{T}^r = V(I) \cap \mathbb{T}^r$ . By construction,  $V(J) \subseteq V(I)$ . For the reverse containment, consider  $x \in V(I) \cap \mathbb{T}^r$ and  $f \in J$ . Then  $(f \cdot (T_1 \cdots T_r)^n)(x) = 0$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ , i.e., f(x) = 0.  $\square$ 

### 3. Mori dream spaces

We provide first algorithms to explore the properties and geometry of a Mori dream space. This section contains material from [5] as indicated near the respective items below. Here is an overview of the algorithms of this section:

- Fundamental algorithms: dimension (Algorithm 2.3.4), covering collection (Algorithm 2.3.6), relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces (Algorithm 2.3.5), toric ambient variety and completions (Algorithm 2.3.9), irrelevant ideal (Algorithm 2.3.11).
- Cones of divisor classes: effective cone (Algorithm 2.3.13), moving cone (Algorithm 2.3.14), semiample cone (Algorithm 2.3.15).
- Groups: class group (Algorithm 2.3.17), local class groups (Algorithm 2.3.18), Picard group (Algorithm 2.3.20), Picard index (Algorithm 2.3.21).
- Singularities, properties: test for being quasismooth and smooth (Algorithms 2.3.23 and 2.3.24), singularities (Algorithm 2.3.25), exceptional graph (Algorithm 2.3.27), test for being  $(\mathbb{Q})$ -) factorial (Algorithms 2.3.30) and 2.3.31), test for being complete (Algorithm 2.3.33), test for being (quasi-) projective (Algorithms 2.3.35 and 2.3.36), strata (Algorithm 2.3.39).
- Complete intersection Cox rings: anticanonical divisor class (Algorithm 2.3.41), test for being ( $\mathbb{Q}$ -) Gorenstein (Algorithms 2.3.43 and 2.3.44), Gorenstein index (Algorithm 2.3.45), test for being Fano (Algorithm 2.3.46), intersection numbers (Algorithm 2.3.48).

We work with Mori dream spaces by using the correspondence to bunched rings  $(R,\mathfrak{F},\Phi)$ , compare Construction 1.3.6 and Corollary 1.3.9. To this end, we directly encode the true  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi$  in a data type BUN and then define the central data type MDS. Let  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  be a GR. As before, we implicitly assign to R the grading group K, its free part  $K^0$  and the positive orthant  $\gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ .

**Definition 2.3.1.** A *BUN* in *R* is a finite set  $\Phi := \{\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_s\}$  of polyhedral cones  $\vartheta_i \subseteq K^0_{\mathbb{Q}}$  of the form  $\vartheta_i = Q^0(\gamma_i)$  with an element  $\gamma_i \in F_{\mathfrak{F}}$  such that

- (i) for all i, j, we have  $\vartheta_i^{\circ} \cap \vartheta_j^{\circ} \neq \emptyset$ , (ii) if  $\vartheta_i^{\circ} \subseteq (Q^0(\gamma_j))^{\circ}$  with  $\gamma_j \in F_{\mathfrak{F}}$ , then  $Q^0(\gamma_j)$  belongs to  $\Phi$ , (iii) for each facet  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$ , the image  $Q^0(\gamma_0)$  is an element of  $\Phi$ .

**Definition 2.3.2.** Let R be a GR and  $\Phi$  a BUN in R. We call the pair  $(R, \Phi)$  a MDS.

We do not differentiate between a Mori dream space  $X = X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  as in Construction 1.3.6 and its description as an MDS. For instance, we also write  $\overline{X}$  for the total coordinate space of (the underlying Mori dream space of) an MDS X.

**Example 2.3.3.** Consider the GR R of Example 2.2.6. Then the Mori dream space X of Example 2.0.14 is given by the MDS  $(R, \Phi(w))$  where  $w := (0, 0, 2) \in K_{\mathbb{Q}}^0$ .

Next, we treat essential algorithms like dimension, relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces, covering collection and the canonical toric ambient variety.

Algorithm 2.3.4 (MDSdim). See [5, Thm. III.2.1.4]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

- Compute the dimension  $d_G$  of the ring R.
- Let  $d := d_G d^0$  where  $d^0$  is the dimension of the rowspace of  $Q^0$ .

*Output:* the dimension  $d = \dim(X)$ .

Algorithm 2.3.5 (MDSrlv). See [5, Con. III.2.1.3]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

• Compute the set L of all  $\gamma_0 \in F_{\mathfrak{F}}$  such that  $Q^0(\gamma_0) \in \Phi$ .

*Output:* the set  $L = \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  of relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces.

Algorithm 2.3.6 (MDScov). Compare [5, Con. III.2.1.3]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

- Compute  $L := rlv(\Phi)$  with Algorithm 2.3.5.
- Set  $L^{\min} := \emptyset$ .
- For each  $\gamma_0 \in L$  do
  - insert  $\gamma_0$  into  $L^{\min}$  if there is no  $\gamma_1 \in L$  such that  $\gamma_1 \subsetneq \gamma_0$ .

*Output:* the set  $L^{\min} = \operatorname{cov}(\Phi)$  of all minimal relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces.

**Example 2.3.7.** The MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of Example 2.3.3 is of dimension dim(R) - 3 = 4. Among the 83 relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces rlv $(\Phi)$  returned by Algorithm 2.3.5, there are 14 minimal ones, i.e.,

$$cov(\Phi) = \{\{1, 6, 7, 8\}, \{2, 5, 7, 8\}, \{3, 4, 7, 8\}, \{1, 2, 5, 6\}, \{1, 3, 4, 6\}, \{2, 3, 4, 5\}, \{2, 4, 8\}, \{1, 3, 8\}, \{1, 2, 8\}, \{5, 6, 7\}, \{4, 6, 7\}, \{3, 5, 7\}, \{2, 4, 6\}, \{1, 3, 5\}\}$$

where we used Algorithm 2.3.6 and identify a subset  $J \subseteq \{1, \ldots, 8\}$  with the face  $\operatorname{cone}(e_i; i \in J) \preceq \gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^8$ .

Algorithm 2.3.8 (MDSpointex). Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  and a vector  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  where  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

- If  $z \notin \overline{X} = V(G) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$ , then return false.
- Compute  $C := \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  with Algorithm 2.3.5.
- For each  $\gamma_0 \in C$  do
  - if  $z_i \neq 0$  for all  $e_i \in \gamma_0$ , then return *true*.
- Return *false*.

*Output:* true if  $[z] \in X$ , i.e.,  $z \in \widehat{X} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$ , and false otherwise.

*Proof.* The correctness directly follows from [5, Constr. III.3.1.1] where

$$\widehat{X} = \bigcup_{\gamma_0 \in \mathrm{rlv}(\Phi)} \overline{X} \setminus V\left(\prod_{e_i \in \gamma_0} T_i\right)$$

Given fans  $\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2 \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$ , denote by  $\Sigma_1 \sqcap \Sigma_2$  their coarsest common refinement, i.e., the set of cone-wise intersections  $\{\sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2; \sigma_i \in \Sigma_i\}$ . The Gelfand Kapranov Zelevinsky decomposition of a matrix  $Q^0 = [q_1, \ldots, q_r]$  is the coarsest common refinement

$$\operatorname{GKZ}\left(Q^{0}\right) := \prod \Lambda,$$

where  $\Lambda$  runs through all normal fans having their rays among the  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot q_i$  and with support  $|\Lambda| = \operatorname{cone}(q_1, \ldots, q_r)$ ; see Chapter 3 for the computational aspects.

Given an MDS X, the following algorithm computes the canonical toric ambient variety  $Z_{\Sigma} \supseteq X$  as defined in Construction 1.3.12. Here, by a *completion* we mean a toric variety Z' with properties (i)-(iii) of [5, Prop. III.2.5.4]. That is, in the setting of 1.3.12, we have a toric characteristic space  $p_{Z'}: \hat{Z}' \to Z'$  and a neat, closed embedding  $\iota: X \to Z'$  with  $\hat{X} = \bar{\iota}^{-1}(\hat{Z}')$  such that  $X_{\gamma_0} = \iota^{-1}(Z'_{P(\gamma_0^*)})$  for each  $\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$ . Moreover

$$D_X^i = \iota^*(D_{Z'}^i) \text{ where } D_X^i := p_X\left(V(\widehat{X}; T_i)\right), \quad D_{Z'}^i := p_{Z'}\left(V(\widehat{Z}'; T_i)\right).$$

Algorithm 2.3.9 (MDSambtorvar). See [5, Prop. III.2.5.4, Con. III.2.5.7] and Construction 1.3.12. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ ,  $P: \mathbb{Z}^r \to N$  and  $\gamma = \mathbb{Q}^r_{>0}$ . Option: completions is available if X is projective.

- If completions was asked
  - set  $\mathcal{F} := \emptyset$ ,
  - compute  $\lambda := \text{SAmple}(X)$  with Algorithm 2.3.15,
  - compute the fan  $\text{GKZ}(Q^0)$  in  $K^0_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . This can be done using Algorithm 3.2.9 with input  $\langle 0 \rangle$  and  $Q^0$ .
  - For each  $\eta \in \Lambda(Q^0)$  such that  $\eta^{\circ} \subseteq \lambda^{\circ}$  do \* insert the fan  $\Sigma(\eta) \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  into  $\mathcal{F}$  where

$$\Sigma(\eta) = \left\{ P(\gamma_0^*); \, \gamma_0 \preceq \gamma \text{ and } \eta^\circ \subseteq Q^0(\gamma_0)^\circ \right\}.$$

- Return  $\mathcal{F}$ .

- Compute  $C := cov(\Phi)$  with Algorithm 2.3.6.
- Return the fan  $\Sigma \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  with maximal cones  $\{P(\gamma_0^*); \gamma_0 \in C\}$ .

*Output:* the fan  $\Sigma \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  of the canonical toric ambient variety  $Z_{\Sigma} \supseteq X$ . If completions was given and X is projective, a list  $\mathcal{F}$  of complete fans  $\Sigma_1, \ldots, \Sigma_k \subseteq N_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is returned such that  $Z_{\Sigma_i} \supseteq X$  is a completion of  $Z_{\Sigma}$ .

**Example 2.3.10.** In Example 2.3.3, by Algorithm 2.3.9, the fan  $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^5$  of the canonical toric ambient variety  $Z_{\Sigma}$  of X has eight five-dimensional and six fourdimensional maximal cones. Its rays are generated by the columns of the matrix P of Example 2.1.28. Moreover, the algorithm finds 17 completions since

$$\left|\left\{\eta \in \operatorname{GKZ}\left(Q^{0}\right); \, \eta^{\circ} \subseteq \operatorname{SAmple}(X)^{\circ}\right\}\right| \,=\, 17.$$

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The *irrelevant ideal* of an MDS X is the ideal of the closed variety  $\overline{X} \setminus \hat{X}$ . Let  $\Sigma$  be a fan in  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  and  $v_1, \ldots, v_r$  generators for the rays of  $\Sigma$ . As in [5, Prop. III.1.3.4], for each maximal cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  we define

$$\nu \colon \Sigma \to \{0,1\}^r, \qquad \nu(\sigma)_i := \begin{cases} 1, & v_i \notin \sigma, \\ 0, & v_i \in \sigma. \end{cases}$$

Algorithm 2.3.11 (MDSirrel). See [5, Prop. III.1.3.4]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

- Use Algorithm 2.3.9 to compute the canonical toric ambient variety  $Z_{\Sigma}$ .
- Compute the ideal  $J := \langle T^{\nu(\sigma)}; \sigma \in \Sigma^{\max} \rangle + \langle G \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r].$

*Output:* a list of generators for the vanishing ideal J of  $\overline{X} \setminus \widehat{X}$ .

**Example 2.3.12.** Consider the MDS X defined in Example 2.3.3. By Algorithm 2.3.11, we have

$$\overline{X} \setminus \widehat{X} = V(\mathbb{K}^8; T_3 T_5 T_7, T_4 T_6 T_7, T_5 T_6 T_7, T_1 T_2 T_8, T_1 T_3 T_8, T_2 T_4 T_8, T_1 T_3 T_5, T_2 T_4 T_6, T_1 T_6 T_7 T_8, T_3 T_4 T_7 T_8, T_2 T_5 T_7 T_8, T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5, T_1 T_3 T_4 T_6, T_1 T_2 T_5 T_6, T_1 T_6 + T_2 T_5 + T_3 T_4 + T_7 T_8).$$

We come to algorithms that compute cones of divisor classes, i.e., the cones of effective, semiample, movable divisor classes.

Algorithm 2.3.13 (MDSeff). See [5, Prop. III.3.2.9] and 1.3.16. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  where  $Q^0$  has the columns  $q_1, \ldots, q_r$ .

• Compute  $\omega := \operatorname{cone}(q_1, \ldots, q_r).$ 

*Output:* the cone  $\omega = \text{Eff}(X)$  in the vector space  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

Algorithm 2.3.14 (MDSmov). See [5, Prop. III.3.2.9] and 1.3.16. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  where  $Q^0$  has the columns  $q_1, \ldots, q_r$ .

• Compute the cone

$$\tau := \bigcap_{i=1}^{r} \operatorname{cone}(q_j; j \neq i) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

*Output:* the cone  $\tau = Mov(X)$  in the vector space  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

Algorithm 2.3.15 (MDSsample). See [5, Prop. III.3.2.9] and 1.3.16. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .

• Compute the cone  $\tau := \bigcap_{\tau \in \Phi} \tau \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

*Output:* the semiample cone  $\tau = \text{SAmple}(X)$  in the vector space  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

**Example 2.3.16.** Consider the MDS X of Example 2.3.3. By Algorithms 2.3.13 and 2.3.14, the effective cone of X is  $Q^0(\mathbb{Q}^8_{\geq 0})$  and the moving cone of X is  $\operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_5, q_6, q_2)$ , i.e.,



Moreover, using Algorithm 2.3.15, we see that the semiample cone of X equals the GIT cone  $\lambda((0, 0, 2))$ , i.e.

$$SAmple(X) = cone((2,1,3), (1,1,2), (-2,-1,3), (-1,-1,2), (-1,0,2), (1,0,2), (0,-1,3), (0,1,3)).$$

We turn to groups associated to an MDS. Set  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ . Given a canonical basis vector  $e_i \in \mathbb{Z}^r$ , set  $\mathbb{Z}^{\chi_{\gamma_0}(e_i)} := \mathbb{Z}$  if  $e_i \in \gamma_0$  and  $\{0\}$  otherwise. Define the subgroup

(1) 
$$H_{\gamma_0} := \lim_{q \to \infty} (\gamma_0) \cap \mathbb{Z}^r = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathbb{Z}^{\chi_{\gamma_0}(e_i)} \leq \mathbb{Z}^r.$$

Algorithm 2.3.17 (MDSclassgrp). See [5, Thm. III.2.1.4] and 1.3.6. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with degree map  $Q \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$ .

• Return K.

*Output:* the AG K representing the class group Cl(X).

Algorithm 2.3.18 (MDSlocclassgrp). See [5, Prop. III.3.1.5] and 1.3.15. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  and Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  for a point  $x \in X$ . Let  $Q \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$ be the degree map and  $\gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$  the positive orthant.

- Let γ<sub>0</sub> := cone(e<sub>i</sub>; z<sub>i</sub> ≠ 0) ≤ γ. Then γ<sub>0</sub> ∈ rlv(Φ) and x ∈ X(γ<sub>0</sub>).
  Compute G<sub>x</sub> := K/Q(H<sub>γ0</sub>) using (1) and Algorithms 2.1.9 and 2.1.17.

*Output:* the AG  $G_x$  representing the local class group Cl(X, x).

**Example 2.3.19.** Consider the MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of Example 2.3.3. Then  $\gamma_0 :=$  $\operatorname{cone}(e_3, e_5, e_7) \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^8$  is an element of  $\operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$ , see Algorithm 2.3.5. By Algorithm 2.3.18, each  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$  has the local class group

$$\operatorname{Cl}(X,x) \;=\; \left(\mathbb{Z}^4,L\right) \;\leq\; \operatorname{Cl}(X), \qquad L \;:=\; \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \right)$$

given as an AG. In particular, the local class group Cl(X, x) is isomorphic to the finite group  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ .

Algorithm 2.3.20 (MDSpic). See [5, Cor. III.3.1.6] and 1.3.15. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with degree map  $Q \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$ .

- Define G := K and compute  $C := cov(\Phi)$  using Algorithm 2.3.6.
- For each  $\gamma_0 \in C$  do

- use Algorithms 2.1.13 and 2.1.17 to redefine G as  $G \cap Q(H_{\gamma_0})$  where  $H_{\gamma_0} \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  is as in (1).

*Output:* the Picard group G = Pic(X) as a subgroup of Cl(X).

Algorithm 2.3.21 (MDSpicind). Input: a Q-factorial MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$ .

- Use Algorithms 2.3.20 and 2.1.9 to compute the factor group H := $K/\operatorname{Pic}(X)$  and its isomorphism type  $H \cong \mathbb{Z}/a_1\mathbb{Z} \oplus \ldots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/a_s\mathbb{Z}$ .
- Return  $a_1 \cdots a_s$ .

*Output:* the index  $[Cl(X) : Pic(X)] \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$ .

**Example 2.3.22.** Continuing Example 2.3.3, we compute the Picard group of Xwith Algorithm 2.3.20 as the AG

$$\operatorname{Pic}(X) = \left( \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 12 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 12 & 0 & 0 \\ 12 & 12 & 24 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right], \ \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{array} \right] \right) \le \operatorname{Cl}(X).$$

Note that  $\operatorname{Pic}(X)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}^3$ . The Picard index is  $[\operatorname{Cl}(X) : \operatorname{Pic}(X)] = 6912$ by Algorithm 2.3.21.

We come to singularities and algorithms that determine further properties of X. An MDS X is called *quasismooth* if the open subset  $\widehat{X} \subseteq \overline{X}$  is smooth. The following algorithm makes use of the computation of  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces, i.e., faces  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}^r_{>0}$ such that  $V(\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_0}^r; \mathfrak{a}) \neq \emptyset$  where  $\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_0}^r \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  is the collection of all  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  such that  $z_i \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow e_i \in \gamma_0$ . We will treat a-faces and their computation in Section 1 of Chapter 3.

Algorithm 2.3.23 (MDSisquasismooth). Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with R = $(G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ . Write  $G = \{f_1, \ldots, f_s\}$  with  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

- Compute the Jacobian matrix, i.e., the  $s \times r$  matrix  $J := (\partial f_i / \partial T_j)_{i,j}$ over the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .
- Let  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be the ideal generated by G and all  $(r-d) \times (r-d)$  minors of J where d is the dimension of R.
- Compute  $C := \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  with Algorithm 2.3.5.
- For each  $\gamma_0 \in C$  do
  - if, by Algorithm 3.1.2,  $\gamma_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face, then return *false*.
- Return *true*.

*Output:* true if  $\hat{X}$  is smooth and false otherwise.

*Proof.* Note that  $V(\mathfrak{a}) \subseteq \overline{X}$  equals the singular locus  $\overline{X}^{\text{sing}}$ . Thus, the algorithm tests whether  $\overline{X}^{\text{sing}} \cap \widetilde{X} \neq \emptyset$  with the constructible set

$$\widetilde{X} := \bigcup_{\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)} \overline{X}(\gamma_0) = \bigcup_{\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)} \overline{X} \cap \mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0} \subseteq \widehat{X}$$

from [5, Con. III.3.1.1]. We now show that  $\widetilde{X} \cap \overline{X}^{\text{sing}}$  is empty if and only if  $\widehat{X} \cap \overline{X}^{\text{sing}}$  is empty. The reverse implication is obvious. For the direct one, suppose there were a point  $x_1 \in \widehat{X} \cap \overline{X}^{\text{sing}}$ . Consider now the good quotient  $p: \widehat{X} \to X$  by the characteristic quasitorus H. According to Proposition 1.1.6, the fiber  $p^{-1}(p(x_1))$  contains a closed orbit

$$H \cdot x_0 \subseteq \hat{X}$$
 with  $x_0 \in p^{-1}(p(x_1)).$ 

Observe that  $(H \cdot x_0) \cap (\overline{H \cdot x_1})$  is non-empty. Since the images  $p(H \cdot x_0) = \{\underline{p}(x_1)\}$ and  $p(\overline{H \cdot x_1})$  are not disjoint, by Proposition 1.1.6, neither are  $(H \cdot x_0)$  and  $\overline{H \cdot x_1}$ . Using the *H*-invariance of  $\widehat{X}^{\text{sing}} \subseteq \overline{X}$ , we have  $\overline{H \cdot x_1} \subseteq \widehat{X}^{\text{sing}}$ . Since  $\widetilde{X}$  equals the union of all closed *H*-orbits of  $\widehat{X}$  we conclude

$$\emptyset \neq (H \cdot x_0) \cap \left(\overline{H \cdot x_1}\right) \subseteq \widetilde{X} \cap \overline{X}^{\text{sing}}.$$

Algorithm 2.3.24 (MDSissmooth). See [5, Cor. III.3.1.12]. Input: an MDS X.

- Compute the fan  $\Sigma$  of the canonical toric ambient variety  $Z_{\Sigma} \supseteq X$  with Algorithm 2.3.9.
- If  $\Sigma$  is not regular or X is not smooth by Algorithm 2.3.23, then return *false*. Return *true* otherwise.

*Output:* true if X is smooth and *false* otherwise.

Algorithm 2.3.25 (MDSsing). *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  with  $G = \{f_1, \ldots, f_s\} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r].$ 

- Compute the  $s \times r$  Jacobian matrix  $J := (\partial f_i / \partial T_j)_{i,j}$ .
- Let  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be the ideal generated by  $f_1, \ldots, f_s$  and all  $(r d) \times (r d)$  minors of J where  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  is the dimension of R.
- Compute  $C := \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  with Algorithm 2.3.5.
- Store all  $\gamma_0 \in C$  which, by Algorithm 3.1.2, are  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces and with  $Q(\gamma_0 \cap \mathbb{Z}^r) = K$  in a list  $\mathcal{F}$ .

*Output:* the pair  $(\mathfrak{a}, \mathcal{F})$ . Then  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is the vanishing ideal of  $\overline{X}^{\text{sing}} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is the list of all relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces  $\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_l \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$  such that  $X(\gamma_i)$  is singular.

**Example 2.3.26.** Consider the MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of Example 2.3.3. By Algorithm 2.3.24, X is singular and Algorithm 2.3.25 provides us with  $(\mathfrak{a}, \mathcal{F})$  where

$$\overline{X}^{\text{sing}} = V\left(\mathbb{K}^8; \mathfrak{a}\right) = V\left(\mathbb{K}^8; T_1, \dots, T_8\right) = \{0\}$$

Moreover, identifying a subset  $J \subseteq \{1, \ldots, 8\}$  with the face  $\operatorname{cone}(e_i; i \in J) \preceq \gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^8$ , the list  $\mathcal{F}$  consists of the relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$  with singular stratum  $X(\gamma_0)$ .

It is

$$\mathcal{F} = \left(\{3,5,7\}, \{1,3,5,7\}, \{2,3,4,5,7\}, \{4,6,7\}, \{1,3,4,6,7\}, \{5,6,7\}, \{3,5,6,7\}, \\ \{1,6,7,8\}, \{1,3,6,7,8\}, \{1,4,6,7,8\}, \{3,4,6,7,8\}, \{1,3,4,6,7,8\}, \{3,4,7,8\}, \\ \{1,3,4,7,8\}, \{2,3,4,7,8\}, \{2,5,7,8\}, \{2,3,5,7,8\}, \{2,4,5,7,8\}, \{3,4,5,7,8\}, \\ \{2,3,4,5,7,8\}, \{1,2,8\}, \{1,3,8\}, \{2,4,8\}, \{1,2,4,8\}, \{2,3,4,5,8\}, \{2,4,6,8\}, \\ \{1,3,4,6,8\}, \{1,3,5\}, \{2,3,4,5\}, \{2,4,6\}, \{1,3,4,6\}, \{1,2,5,6\}\right).$$

We come to the graph of exceptional curves constructed in 1.4.9. We will use it primarily as an invariant. Note that Algorithm 2.3.48 can be used to compute the self-intersection numbers of its vertices.

Algorithm 2.3.27 (MDSintersgraph). Input: a smooth, projective MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of dimension two with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

- Determine the extremal rays  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot q_{i_1}, \ldots, \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot q_{i_k}$  of the effective cone  $\operatorname{cone}(q_1, \ldots, q_r)$  where  $q_1, \ldots, q_r$  are the columns of  $Q^0$ .
- Initialize  $V := \{D_{i_1}, \dots, D_{i_k}\}$  where  $D_{i_j} := V(X; T_{i_j})$  and set  $E := \emptyset$ .
- Compute  $C := \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  with Algorithm 2.3.5.
- For each two distinct  $i, j \in \{i_1, \ldots, i_k\}$  do
  - if  $\operatorname{cone}(e_k; k \notin \{i, j\}) \in C$ , then insert  $(D_i, D_j)$  into E.

*Output:* the graph of exceptional curves  $G_X = (V, E)$  of X.

*Proof.* The negative curves  $D_{i_1}, \ldots, D_{i_k} \subseteq X$  correspond to the extremal rays of the effective cone Eff(X), see [5, Ex. V.1] or [51, Prop. 6.7]. By basic properties [73, p. 96] of the good quotient p, we have

$$D_i \cap D_j \neq \emptyset \iff p\left(V(\widehat{X}; T_i, T_j)\right) \neq \emptyset$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow \operatorname{cone}(e_k; k \notin \{i, j\}) \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi).$$

**Remark 2.3.28.** Algorithm 2.3.48 can also be carried out for projective, Q-factorial Mori dream spaces. It then computes the graph of contractible divisors in the sense of Remark 1.4.2.

**Remark 2.3.29.** Algorithm 2.3.48 can be used in conjunction with Algorithm 2.3.27 to compute the ADE-singularity type of the minimal resolution  $X' \to X$  of a Mori dream surface X.

Algorithm 2.3.30 (MDSisfact). Compare [5, Cor. III.1.4.5] and 1.3.15. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  and orthant  $\gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ . Optional input: Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  for a point  $x \in X$ .

- If  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  was given, then set  $C := \{\gamma_0\}$  with  $\gamma_0 := \operatorname{cone}(e_i; z_i \neq 0) \preceq \gamma$ . Otherwise, compute  $C := \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$  using Algorithm 2.3.5.
- For each  $\gamma_0 \in C$  do
  - if by Algorithms 2.1.8 and 2.1.17 the image  $Q(H_{\gamma_0})$  with  $H_{\gamma_0}$  as in (1) does not generate K as a group, then return *false*.
- Return *true*.

*Output:* true if X is factorial and false otherwise. For the case of a given point  $x \in X$ , true is returned if x is factorial and false otherwise.

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma_0 \in \operatorname{rlv}(\Phi)$ . By [5, Cor. III.1.4.5], a point  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$  is factorial if and only if  $Q(\lim_{\mathbb{Q}}(\gamma_0) \cap \mathbb{Z}^r) = Q(H_{\gamma_0})$  generates K as a group. Use  $X = \bigcup X(\gamma_0)$  where the union runs through all relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces.

**Algorithm 2.3.31** (MDSisQfact). See [5, Cor. 3.1.9] and 1.3.15. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .

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• If there is  $\vartheta \in \Phi$  with  $\dim(\vartheta) \neq \dim(K_{\mathbb{Q}})$ , then return *false*. Return *true* otherwise.

*Output:* true if X is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial and false otherwise.

**Example 2.3.32.** By applications of Algorithms 2.3.30 and 2.3.31, the MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of Example 2.3.3 is Q-factorial but not factorial.

We defined an MDS to encode varieties arising from bunched rings and, hence, needs in general be neither projective nor complete. The following algorithm uses a result of J. Tevelev [96] to check for completeness.

Algorithm 2.3.33 (MDSiscomplete). Input: a projective MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and  $P \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

- Compute a fan  $\Upsilon \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  with support  $|\Upsilon| = \operatorname{trop}(X)$ . If |G| = 1, Algorithm 2.2.7 can be used.
- Compute a complete fan  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  having  $\Upsilon$  as a subfan. If  $G = \{g\}$ , one can define  $\Omega$  as the normal fan over the Newton polytope of  $p_{\star} g$ , compare Algorithm 2.2.13.
- Use Algorithm 2.3.9 to compute the fans Σ and Σ of the canonical ambient toric variety Z<sub>Σ</sub> and a completion Z<sub>Σ</sub> of Z<sub>Σ</sub>.
- Compute the coarsest common refinements  $\Sigma' := \Sigma \sqcap \Omega$  and  $\Upsilon' := \overline{\Sigma} \sqcap \Upsilon$ .
- For each maximal cone  $\tau' \in \Upsilon'$  do - if  $\tau' \not\subseteq \sigma'$  for each maximal cone  $\sigma' \in \Sigma'$ , then return *false*.
- Return *true*.

*Output:* true if X is complete and *false* otherwise.

*Proof.* First, note that in the case of  $G = \{g\}$ ,  $\Upsilon$  is the codimension-one skeleton of  $\Omega$  and, therefore,  $\Upsilon$  is a subfan of  $\Omega$ . By [96, Prop. 2.3], X is complete if and only if the support  $|\Sigma|$  contains the tropical variety  $\operatorname{trop}(X) = |\Upsilon|$ . Note that we have  $|\Upsilon'| = \operatorname{trop}(X)$  and  $|\Sigma| = |\Sigma'|$ . Hence, X is complete if and only if in the following diagram of fans the dashed arrow is an inclusion.



Since  $\Upsilon$  is a subfan of  $\Omega$ , each maximal cone  $\tau'$  of  $\Upsilon' = \Upsilon \sqcap \overline{\Sigma} \sqcap \Omega$  either is contained in  $\Sigma'$  or  $\tau^{\circ} \cap |\Sigma'| = \emptyset$ . This completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

**Remark 2.3.34.** In Algorithm 2.3.33, the fan  $\Upsilon$  with  $|\Upsilon| = \operatorname{trop}(X)$  can be computed using [63]. See [88, 41] for how to find  $\Omega$ .

Algorithm 2.3.35 (MDSisquasiproj). Compare [5, Cor. 1.4.5]. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . Write  $\Phi = \{\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_s\}$ .

- Define  $\tau := \vartheta_1$ .
- For each  $i = 2, 3, \ldots, s$  do
- if  $\tau^{\circ} \cap \vartheta_{i}^{\circ} = \emptyset$ , then return *false*. Otherwise, redefine  $\tau$  as  $\tau \cap \vartheta_{i}$ . • Return *true*.

*Output:* true if X is quasiprojective and false otherwise.

*Proof.* By [5, Cor. 1.4.5], X is quasiprojective if and only if  $\vartheta_1^\circ \cap \ldots \cap \vartheta_s^\circ$  is nonempty. Clearly, if  $\vartheta_i^\circ \cap \vartheta_j^\circ = \emptyset$  for some i, j, then X is not quasiprojective. Otherwise, by [87], the non-empty intersection  $\vartheta_1^\circ \cap \ldots \cap \vartheta_s^\circ$  equals  $(\vartheta_1 \cap \ldots \cap \vartheta_s)^\circ$ .  $\square$ 

Algorithm 2.3.36 (MDSisproj). Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0)$ ,  $P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}$ ). Assume that  $Q^0$  has no zero-columns.

• Return true if, by Algorithms 2.3.35 and 2.3.13, X is quasiprojective and Eff(X) is pointed. Return *false* otherwise.

*Output:* true if X is projective and false otherwise.

**Lemma 2.3.37.** Consider a surjective  $k \times r$  matrix Q without zero-columns and the positive orthant  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ . Then  $Q(\gamma)$  is pointed if and only if  $\ker(Q) \cap \gamma = \{0\}$ .

*Proof.* If  $Q(\gamma_0)$  is pointed, clearly Q(x) = 0 with  $x \in \gamma$  implies x = 0. On the other hand, if  $Q(\gamma)$  contains  $\lim_{\mathbb{Q}}(w)$  with a non-zero  $w \in Q(\gamma)$ , then there are  $x, y \in \gamma \setminus \{0\}$ such that Q(x) = w and Q(y) = -w. Thus,  $0 \neq x + y \in \gamma \cap \ker(Q)$ .

Proof of Algorithm 2.3.36. Since X is quasiprojective, there is  $w \in Mov(X)^{\circ}$ such that  $X = \overline{X}^{ss}(w)/\!\!/H_X$ , see [5]. By [5, Prop. III.1.2.2] or Proposition 1.1.7, X is projective over  $\overline{X}/\!\!/ H_X = \operatorname{Spec} R_0$ . Set  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ . We now prove that  $Q^0(\gamma)$ is pointed if and only if  $R_0 = \mathbb{K}$ . Since X is an  $\overline{MDS}$ , the classes of  $T_1, \ldots, T_r$ are pairwise non-associated K-prime generators for R. By [52, Rem. 1.25],  $R_0$  is generated by the classes of products  $T^{\nu}$  where  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{r}$  runs through the elements of a Hilbert basis U for ker $(Q^0) \cap \gamma$ . By Lemma 2.3.37,  $U = \{0\}$  is equivalent to  $Q^0(\gamma)$ being pointed. This shows that X is projective if and only if  $Q^0(\gamma)$  is pointed.  $\Box$ 

Example 2.3.38. By Algorithm 2.3.36, the MDS X of Example 2.3.3 is projective.

As in Section 1 of Chapter 3, given  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$ , let  $f^{\gamma_0} \in \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$  $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r]$  be the polynomial obtained from f by substitution of  $T_i = 0$  for all  $e_i \notin \gamma_0$ . Define the  $\mathbb{T}^r$ -orbit  $\mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}$  as the set of elements  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  such that  $z_i = 0 \Leftrightarrow e_i \not\in \gamma_0.$ 

Algorithm 2.3.39 (MDSstrat). Compare Construction 1.3.14. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}).$ 

- Compute the collection G<sub>γ0</sub> := {f<sub>1</sub><sup>γ0</sup>,..., f<sub>s</sub><sup>γ0</sup>}.
  Use Algorithm 2.2.13 to compute all h<sub>i</sub> := p<sub>⋆</sub>f<sub>i</sub><sup>γ0</sup> ∈ K[S<sub>1</sub>,..., S<sub>n</sub>] where  $p \colon \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^n$  is the homomorphism of tori corresponding to P.

*Output:*  $h_1, \ldots, h_s \in \mathbb{K}[S_1, \ldots, S_n]$ . Then the stratum  $X(\gamma_0)$  is given by the zero set  $V(h_1,\ldots,h_s) \subseteq \mathbb{T}^n$  where the  $h_i$  are considered as elements of  $\mathbb{K}[S_1^{\pm 1},\ldots,S_n^{\pm 1}]$ .

Proof. Using standard properties of good quotients [73, p. 96], by [5, Con. III.3.1.1], we have

$$p\left(\overline{X}(\gamma_0)\right) = p\left(\overline{X} \cap \mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}\right) = p\left(V\left(\mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}; f_1^{\gamma_0}, \dots, f_s^{\gamma_0}\right)\right) = V\left(\mathbb{T}^n; h_1, \dots, h_s\right). \square$$

**Example 2.3.40.** Let X be as in Example 2.3.3. For the following relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^8$  Algorithm 2.3.39 delivers

$$X(\gamma_0) = V(\mathbb{T}^5; T_1T_5 + T_3T_4), \qquad \gamma_0 := \operatorname{cone}(e_i; i \in \{1, 3, 4, 6, 7\}) \preceq \gamma.$$

We turn to algorithms on a complete intersection MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ , i.e., R is a complete intersection ring. Recall that this means that the kernel of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r] \rightarrow$ R with  $T_i \mapsto f_i$  is generated by  $r - \dim(R)$  polynomials.

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Algorithm 2.3.41 (MDSantican). See [5, Thm. III.3.3.2] and 1.3.17. Input: a complete intersection MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . Write  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  with  $G = \{g_1, \ldots, g_d\}$ . Let the degree map be given by the AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  with an AG K = (U, L).

• Define  $w := \sum_{i=1}^{r} A_{*i} - \sum_{j=1}^{d} A \cdot \nu_j \in U + L$  where  $T^{\nu_j}$  is a non-vanishing monomial in  $g_j$ .

*Output:* the vector  $w \in U + L$ . It represents the anticanonical divisor class  $-w_X^{\operatorname{can}} \in K$ .

**Example 2.3.42.** Consider the complete intersection MDS X of Example 2.3.3. Using Algorithm 2.3.41, we obtain  $-w_X^{\text{can}} = (0, 0, 6, \overline{1}) \in K$  since



Algorithm 2.3.43 (MDSisQgorenstein). See [5, Cor. III.3.3.3] and 1.3.17. Input: a complete intersection MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .

- Compute the anticanonical divisor class  $-w_X^{\text{can}} \in K$ ; see Algorithm 2.3.41.
- Determine the cone  $\tau := \bigcap_{\vartheta \in \Phi} \lim_{\mathbb{Q}} (\vartheta)$  in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .
- Let  $\pi: K \to K^0$  be the canonical projection. Return *true* if  $\pi(-w_X^{\text{can}}) \in \tau$  and *false* otherwise.

*Output:* true if X is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein and false otherwise.

Algorithm 2.3.44 (MDSisgorenstein). See [5, Cor. III.3.3.3] and 1.3.17. *Input:* a complete intersection MDS X.

- Compute the anticanonical divisor class  $-w_X^{\text{can}} \in K$ ; see Algorithm 2.3.41.
- Use Algorithm 2.3.20 to compute  $G := \operatorname{Pic}(X) \leq K$ .
- Return true if  $-w_X^{\text{can}} \in G$  and false otherwise.

Output: true if X is Gorenstein and false otherwise.

For a complete intersection Q-Gorenstein MDS X, the Gorenstein index is the smallest integer  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  such that  $n \cdot (-w_X^{\operatorname{can}}) \in \operatorname{Pic}(X)$  where  $-w_X^{\operatorname{can}}$  is the class of the anticanonical divisor of X.

**Algorithm 2.3.45** (MDSgorensteinind). *Input:* a complete intersection MDS X that is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein.

- Compute the anticanonical divisor class  $-w_X^{\text{can}} \in K$ ; see Algorithm 2.3.41.
- Determine the Picard group  $G := Pic(X) \le K$  with Algorithm 2.3.20.
- For n = 1, 2, ... do
  - test with Algorithm 2.1.6, whether  $n \cdot (-w_X^{\text{can}}) \in G$ . Return *n* if this is the case.

*Output:* the Gorenstein index  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  of X.

Algorithm 2.3.46 (MDSisfano). See [5, Cor. III.3.3.3] and 1.3.17. Input: a complete intersection MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .

- Compute the anticanonical divisor class  $-w_X^{\text{can}} \in K$ ; see Algorithm 2.3.41.
  - For each  $\vartheta \in \Phi$  do
    - return false if  $-w_X^{\operatorname{can}} \notin \vartheta^\circ$ .
  - Return *true*.

*Output:* true if X is Fano and *false* otherwise.

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**Example 2.3.47.** By Algorithms 2.3.46, 2.3.43 and 2.3.45, the MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $\Phi = \Phi(w)$  of Example 2.3.3 is a Fano variety that is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein with Gorenstein index 4. Note that, by Examples 2.3.16 and 2.3.42, we would have lost the Fano property had we chosen  $w \in \mathbb{Q}^3$  in a different GIT-cone within Mov(X) (the blue region).



For the surface case, we introduced intersection numbers in Section 4 of Chapter 1. We shortly recall from [5, Con. II.1.2.8] the construction for an *n*-dimensional complete toric variety Z with a lattice fan  $(\Sigma, N)$ . Assume  $\Sigma$  is simplicial. Consider pairwise different, invariant prime divisors  $D_1, \ldots, D_n$  on Z that correspond to rays  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v_1, \ldots, \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v_n \in \Sigma$  with primitive vectors  $v_i \in N$ . Their intersection number is

$$D_1 \cdots D_n := v_1 \cdots v_n := \begin{cases} [N \cap \lim_{\mathbb{Q}} (\sigma) : \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (v_1, \dots, v_n)]^{-1}, & \sigma \in \Sigma, \\ 0, & \sigma \notin \Sigma \end{cases}$$

with  $\sigma := \operatorname{cone}(v_1, \ldots, v_n)$ . If  $X = X(R, \mathfrak{F}, \Phi)$  is a projective Mori dream space with complete intersection Cox ring R and canonical toric ambient variety Z, it inherits intersection theory. Given invariant prime divisors  $D_X^1, \ldots, D_X^n$  on X with  $D_X^i = D_i \cap X$ , by [5, Con. III.3.3.4], their intersection number is the toric intersection number

$$D_X^1 \cdots D_X^n = v_1 \cdots v_n \cdot u_1 \cdots u_d$$

where  $u_1, \ldots, u_d$  are the degrees of the generators of the kernel of the map  $T_i \mapsto f_i$ with  $\mathfrak{F} = (f_1, \ldots, f_r)$ ; see [5, Con. III.3.3.4] for details. We state the next algorithm for the case of one equation. It is also able to produce self intersection numbers.

Algorithm 2.3.48 (MDSintersno). Compare [5, Con. III.3.3.4]. Input: a quasiprojective MDS  $X = (R, \Phi(w_0))$  and elements  $w, w' \in K$  where  $R = (\{g\}, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ . Let  $q_1, \ldots, q_r \in K$  be the degrees of the variables  $T_1, \ldots, T_r$  of R.

- Compute in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  the full-dimensional GIT-cone  $\lambda(w_0) = \bigcap_{\vartheta \in \Phi} \vartheta$ .
- Choose a random  $w'_0 \in \lambda(w_0)^\circ$  until the cone  $\eta \in \text{GKZ}(Q^0)$  with  $w'_0 \in \eta^\circ$  is of full dimension. See Algorithm 3.2.8 for how to compute  $\eta$ .
- Let  $N = (n_{ij})_{i,j}$  be the  $r \times r$  zero-matrix.
- For each two distinct  $1 \le i, j \le r$  do
  - choose a non-zero monomial  $T^{\nu}$  in g such that  $\nu_i = \nu_j = 0$ , - redefine  $n_{ij} := \sum_{k=1}^r \nu_k (q_i \cdot q_j \cdot q_k)$  where we use Algorithm 2.1.9 and the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module representation as in Algorithm 2.1.4 to calculate

$$q_i \cdot q_j \cdot q_k = \begin{cases} [K:K_{ijk}]^{-1}, & \eta \subseteq \operatorname{cone}\left(q_l; l \notin \{i, j, k\}\right), \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

with the subgroup  $K_{i,j,k} := \langle q_l; l \notin \{i, j, k\} \rangle$  of K for  $1 \le k \le r$ .

- For each  $1 \le i \le r$  do
  - compute a point  $a' \in Q_i^{-1}(q_i) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^{r-1}$  where  $Q_i$  is the matrix obtained from Q by removing the *i*-th column.

- Adding another 0-entry, we have  $a := (a'_1, \ldots, a'_{i-1}, 0, a'_i, \ldots, a'_{r-1})$ in  $\mathbb{Q}^r$ . Redefine  $n_{ii}$  as the sum  $\sum_{j=1}^r a_j n_{ij}$ . • Compute  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j \in \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$  such that  $w = \sum_i \alpha_i q_i$  and  $w' = \sum_j \beta_j q_j$ .
- Return  $\sum_{i,j} \alpha_i \beta_j n_{ij} \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

*Output:* the intersection number  $D \cdot D' \in \mathbb{Q}$  of divisors D, D' on X with [D] = wand  $[D'] = w' \in K$ .

*Proof.* This implements [5, Con. III.3.3.4]. Note that in line two, we have  $\eta^{\circ} \subseteq$  $\lambda(w_0)^{\circ}$  and in the first line of the first loop, the monomial  $T^{\nu}$  exists since, otherwise, the codimension of  $V(X; T_i, T_j)$  in X would be one. By construction and bilinearity of the intersection form, after the second loop,  $n_{ij} = q_i \cdot q_j \cdot \deg(g)$  for all i, j. Then

$$w \cdot w' \cdot \deg(g) = \left(\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} q_{i}\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{j} \beta_{j} q_{j}\right) \cdot \deg(g) = \sum_{i,j} \alpha_{i} \beta_{j} n_{ij}.$$

### 4. Complexity-one *T*-varieties

This section describes algorithms for the special class of Mori dream spaces of complexity-one *T*-varieties; see Section 5 of Chapter 1 for the background.

The algorithms concerning automorphisms have been developed by I. Arzhantsev, J. Hausen, E. Huggenberger and A. Liendo in [6]. The anticanonical complex and the related algorithms have been developed by B. Bechtold, J. Hausen and E. Huggenberger in [17]. See [5, 61] for the resolution of singularities for complexityone T-varieties. Our Algorithm 2.4.8 works in a slightly more general setting. Here is an overview:

- Automorphisms: vertical and horizontal Demazure P-roots (Algorithms 2.4.1 and 2.4.2), roots of  $Aut(X)^0$  (Algorithm 2.4.6).
- Singularities: resolution of singularities (Algorithm 2.4.8).
- Anticanonical complex: anticanonical polytope (Algorithm 2.4.13), anticanonical complex (Algorithm 2.4.14), test for being ( $\epsilon$ -log-) terminal (Algorithms 2.4.15 and 2.4.16).

Let  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$  be a complexity-one T-variety with matrices P, A and  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi$  as in Construction 1.5.12. In order to compute the roots of the unit-component Aut $(X)^0$ , we first show how to calculate Demazure P-roots. Let  $v_{ij}, v_k \in \mathbb{Z}^{r+s}$  be the columns of P and denote by M the dual lattice of  $\mathbb{Z}^{r+s}$ . Recall from [6, Def. 5.2] that a vertical Demazure P-root is a pair  $(u, k_0) \in M \times \{1, \ldots, m\}$  such that

$$\langle u, v_{ij} \rangle \ge 0 \quad \text{for all } i, j, \qquad \langle u, v_{k_0} \rangle = -1, \\ \langle u, v_k \rangle \ge 0 \quad \text{for all } k \ne k_0.$$

A horizontal Demazure P-root is a tuple  $(u, i_0, i_1, C)$  in the following sense. We have  $u \in M$ , distinct indices  $i_0, i_1 \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$  and  $C = (c_i)_i \in \prod_{i=0}^r \{1, \ldots, n_i\}$  is such that  $l_{ic_i} = 1$  for all  $i \notin \{i_0, i_1\}$ . Moreover, the scalar product  $\langle u, v_k \rangle$  is at least zero for all k and

$$\langle u, v_{ic_i} \rangle = \begin{cases} 0, & i \notin \{i_0, i_1\}, \\ -1, & i = i_1, \end{cases} \quad \langle u, v_{ij} \rangle \geq \begin{cases} l_{ij}, & i \notin \{i_0, i_1\}, & j \neq c_i, \\ 0, & i \in \{i_0, i_1\}, & j \neq c_i, \\ 0, & i = i_0, & j = c_i. \end{cases}$$

Given a horizontal or vertical Demazure P-root  $\kappa$  of the form  $\kappa = (u, k_0)$  or  $\kappa =$  $(u, i_0, i_1, C)$ , the last s coordinates of  $u \in M$  give the P-root  $\alpha_{\kappa} \in \mathbb{Z}^s$ .

Algorithm 2.4.1 (MDSvdemazure). See [6, Remark. 5.4]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$  is a complexity-one variety with a  $r \times (n+m)$  matrix P and a  $2 \times (r+1)$  matrix A as in Construction 1.5.11.

- In the sense of 1.5.11, read out the blocks  $l_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n_i}$  of P where  $0 \leq i \leq r$ . Let  $v_1, \ldots, v_{n+m}$  be the columns of P.
- Initialize  $\mathcal{V} := \emptyset$ .
- For each  $k_0 \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  do
  - define  $\zeta \in \mathbb{Z}^{n+m}$  by setting  $\zeta_{n+k_0} := -1$  and  $\zeta_i := 0$  otherwise.
  - Compute in  $M_{\mathbb{Q}} = M \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  the affine subspace and polytope

$$\eta(k_0) := \{ u \in M_{\mathbb{Q}}; \langle u, v_{k_0} \rangle = -1 \}, \\ B(k_0) := \{ u \in \eta(k_0); P^* \cdot u > \zeta \}.$$

- Use Algorithm 2.2.2 to compute the set  $U := B(k_0) \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$  of lattice points. Redefine  $\mathcal{V}$  as the set  $\mathcal{V} \cup \{(u, k_0); u \in U\}$ .

*Output:* the set  $\mathcal{V}$  of all vertical Demazure *P*-roots  $(u, k_0) \in M \times \{1, \ldots, m\}$ .

Algorithm 2.4.2 (MDShdemazure). See [6, Remark. 5.4]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$  is a complexity-one variety with a  $r \times (n+m)$  matrix P and a  $2 \times (r+1)$  matrix A as in Construction 1.5.11.

- In the sense of 1.5.11, read out the blocks  $l_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n_i}$  of P where  $0 \leq i \leq r$ . Write  $n'_i := n_0 + \ldots + n_{i-1}$  and let  $v_1, \ldots, v_{n+m}$  be the columns of P.
- Initialize  $\mathcal{H} := \emptyset$ .
- For each two distinct  $0 \le i_0, i_1 \le r$  do
  - for each  $C = (c_0, \ldots, c_r) \in \prod_{i=0}^r \{1, \ldots, n_i\}$  such that we have  $l_{ic_i} = 1$  for all  $i \in \{0, \ldots, r\} \setminus \{i_0, i_1\}$  do
    - \* let  $\zeta \in \mathbb{Z}^{n+m}$  with  $\zeta_{n+i} := 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq m$ . For its remaining components  $\zeta_k$  we write  $k = n'_i + j$  with  $0 \leq i \leq r$ and  $1 \leq j \leq n_i$  and define

$$\zeta_k := \begin{cases} -1, & i = i_1 & \text{and } j = c_{i_1}, \\ l_{ij}, & i \notin \{i_0, i_1\} & \text{and } j \neq c_i, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

\* Compute in  $M_{\mathbb{Q}} = M \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  the affine subspace  $\eta(i_0, i_1, C)$  which is given by

$$\left\{ u \in M_{\mathbb{Q}}; \ \langle u, v_{n'_i + c_i} \rangle = 0 \text{ for } i \notin \{i_0, i_1\}, \ \langle u, v_{n_{i_1} + c_{i_1}} \rangle = -1 \right\}.$$

\* Compute the polytope  $B(i_0, i_1, C) \subseteq M_{\mathbb{Q}}$  given by

$$B(i_0, i_1, C) = \{ u \in \eta(i_0, i_1, C); P^* \cdot u \ge \zeta \}.$$

\* Use Algorithm 2.2.2 to compute the set  $U := B(i_0, i_1, C) \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$ of lattice points. Redefine  $\mathcal{H}$  as  $\mathcal{H} \cup \{(u, i_0, i_1, C); u \in U\}$ .

*Output:* the set  $\mathcal{H}$  of all horizontal Demazure *P*-roots  $(u, i_0, i_1, C)$ .

**Remark 2.4.3.** Algorithms 2.4.2 and 2.4.1 depend only on the ring R(P, A).

**Remark 2.4.4.** Algorithm 2.4.2 can be used to test a normal complete complexityone *T*-variety for being *almost homogeneous*, i.e., its automorphism group acts with an open orbit. By [6, Thm. 6.1], this is equivalent to the existence of a horizontal Demazure *P*-root.

**Example 2.4.5.** We computationally verify [6, Ex. 5.3]. Consider the complexityone variety  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$  where  $\Phi$  is any  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch and

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

are as in Construction 1.5.2. Since m = 0, Algorithm 2.4.1 returns the empty set. However, Algorithm 2.4.2 finds the single horizontal Demazure *P*-root

$$(u, 1, 2, C),$$
  $u = (-1, -2, 3) \in M_{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{Q}^3,$   $C = (1, 1, 1).$ 

Recall from [62, 6] that for a connected, semisimple linear algebraic group G there is a root system  $\Phi_G \subseteq \mathbb{X}_{\mathbb{R}}(T)$  with respect to a given maximal torus  $T \subseteq G$ . Note that G is determined uniquely up to coverings by its root system. The following algorithm describes the roots of the unit component  $\operatorname{Aut}(X)^0$  for a normal, complete complexity-one MDS  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$ . By [6], for the semisimple part of  $\operatorname{Aut}(X)$ , only (sums of) the following root systems may occur

$$A_n := \{e_i - e_j; \ 1 \le i, j \le n+1, \ i \ne j\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}, B_2 := \{\pm e_1, \pm e_2, \pm (e_1 + e_2), \pm (e_1 - e_2)\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Algorithm 2.4.6 (MDSautroots). See [6, Thm. 5.5]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ , where  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$  is a complexity-one variety with P, A as in Construction 1.5.11 of size  $r \times (n + m)$  and  $2 \times (r + 1)$ .

- Compute the sets  $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^{r+s}$  and  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^{r+s}$  of vertical and horizontal Demazure *P*-roots with Algorithms 2.4.1 and 2.4.2.
- Determine the set  $A := \{\pi(u); u \in \mathcal{V} \cup \mathcal{H}\}$  where  $\pi \colon \mathbb{Z}^{r+s} \to \mathbb{Z}^s$  is the projection onto the  $\mathbb{Z}^s$ -part.

*Output:* the set A of roots of the unit component  $Aut(X)^0$ .

**Example 2.4.7.** Consider the complexity-one *T*-variety *X* arising from the data *P*, *A*,  $\Phi = \Phi(1)$  as in Construction 1.5.12 where

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then X is three-dimensional and its Cox ring and degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^5 \to K := \mathbb{Z}^5/\text{Im}(P^*) = \mathbb{Z}$  are

$$R = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5] / \langle T_4 T_5 + T_3^2 + T_1 T_2 \rangle, \qquad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We compute the roots of  $Aut(X)^0$  using Algorithm 2.4.6. As predicted in [6, Thm. 7.2], we obtain the root system

$$B_2 = \{(1,-1), (1,1), (-1,-1), (-1,1), \\ (0,-1), (0,1), (1,0), (-1,0)\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^2.$$

We turn to resolutions of singularities; compare Section 4 of Chapter 1. The following algorithm has been developed for complexity-one T-varieties, see the book by I. Arzhantsev, U. Derenthal, J. Hausen and A. Laface [5, Thm. III.4.4.9] and E. Huggenberger's thesis [61, Ch. 3]. For more general Mori dream spaces our algorithm computes a candidate for a resolution and tries to verify it. The algorithm uses the *weak tropical resolution* defined in [10].

**Algorithm 2.4.8** (MDSresolvesing). Compare [5, Thm. III.4.4.9] and [61, Ch. 3]. *Input:* a projective,  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ . Write  $G = \{f_1, \ldots, f_s\}$  and assume P is of size  $n \times r$ . Options: verify; minimal if X is a surface.

• Compute the fan  $\overline{\Sigma}$  of a completion  $Z_{\overline{\Sigma}}$  of the canonical toric ambient variety with Algorithm 2.3.9 and a fan  $\Upsilon \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  with support trop(X). If s = 1, Algorithm 2.2.7 can be used.

- Compute the coarsest common refinement  $\Sigma' := \overline{\Sigma} \sqcap \Upsilon$  and subdivide its singular cones until the resulting fan  $(\Sigma')^{\text{reg}}$  is regular. Write primitive generators for its rays into the columns of a  $n \times r'$  matrix P' = [P, B].
- Let  $p: \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^n$  and  $p': \mathbb{T}^{r'} \to \mathbb{T}^n$  be the homomorphisms of tori corresponding to P and P'. Use Algorithms 2.2.13 and 2.2.12 to compute the ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r'}]$  generated by  $(p')^* p_* f_1, \ldots, (p')^* p_* f_s$ .
- Compute a set G' of generators for the ideal  $I: (T_1 \cdots T_{r'})^{\infty}$ .
- Use Algorithms 2.1.24 and 2.1.26 to compute the AGH  $Q': \mathbb{Z}^{r'} \to K'$ where  $K' := \mathbb{Z}^{r'}/\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (P')^*$  and the matrix  $(Q')^0: \mathbb{Z}^{r'} \to (K')^0$ . Define

$$\Phi' := \left\{ \left(Q'\right)^0(\delta_0^*); \ \delta_0 \preceq \delta \text{ and } P'(\delta_0) \in \Sigma' \right\}, \qquad \delta := \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^{r'}$$

- Create the MDS  $X' = (R', \Phi')$  with  $R' = (G', Q', (Q^0)', P', F')$  where F' is the set of all  $\delta_0 \leq \delta$  such that  $\delta_0^{\circ} \cap \tau \neq \emptyset$  for a maximal cone  $\tau \in P^{-1}(\Upsilon)$ .
- If verify was requested, then
  - use Algorithm 2.2.10 to check whether all variables  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r'}$  define K'-primes in R'.
  - $\text{ Check if } \dim(\langle G' \rangle) \dim(\langle G' \rangle + \langle T_i, T_j \rangle) \geq 2 \text{ for all } i \neq j.$
  - − If s = 1, then check if  $\operatorname{codim}_{\overline{X}'}((\overline{X}')^{\operatorname{sing}}) \ge 2$  with Algorithm 2.3.25. Otherwise, check if R' is normal.
  - Check whether X' is smooth with Algorithm 2.3.24.
- If minimal was requested and X is a surface, then redefine X' as the result of Algorithm 2.4.9 with input r and X'.

*Output:*  $X' = (R', \Phi')$ . If all verify-checks were successful or if X is a complexityone variety as in Construction 1.5.11 then X' is a smooth MDS and  $X' \to X$  a resolution of singularities. The resolution is minimal if minimal was requested and X is a surface.

Algorithm 2.4.9 (minimize). Input:  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  and a two-dimensional smooth projective MDS  $X' = (R', \Phi')$  that arises from a two-dimensional MDS X as in Algorithm 2.4.8.

- If R' is a complete intersection, then
  - use Algorithm 2.3.48 to determine the indices  $i_1, \ldots, i_k$  such that  $V(X'; T_{i_j})$  is a (-1)-curve.
- If R' is not a complete intersection, then
  - Compute  $\vartheta := \operatorname{cone}(q_1, \ldots, q_{r'})$  where  $q_1, \ldots, q_{r'}$  are the columns of the matrix  $(Q^0)'$  representing the free part of the grading of R'.
  - Let  $i_1, \ldots, i_k$  be such that the  $q_{i_j}$  are exactly the extremal vectors of  $\vartheta$  with  $i_j > r$  in the sense of Remark 1.4.2.
- Return X' if k = 0.
- For each  $i \in \{i_1, \ldots, i_k\}$  do
  - compute the contraction  $X' \to X_i$  of  $V(X'; T_i)$  by an application of Algorithm 2.4.10.
  - If, by Algorithm 2.3.24,  $X_i$  is smooth, then return the result of the recursive call to Algorithm 2.4.9 with input r and  $X_i$ .

*Output:* a smooth MDS  $X_1$  such that  $X_1 \to X$  is a minimal resolution.

*Proof.* By Theorem 1.4.1, exactly the (-1)-curves can be contracted smoothly. Since X' is a surface the contractible divisors correspond to the extremal rays of  $\vartheta = \text{Eff}(X')$ , see Remark 1.4.2. As the minimal resolution of a surface is unique, it

suffices to consider any smooth contraction  $X' \to X_{i_i}$ .



By choice of  $i_j > r$ ,  $X_{i_j} \to X$  is a resolution. Hence, the algorithm computes the minimal resolution in finitely many steps.

Algorithm 2.4.10 (MDScontract). Input: a projective,  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial, two-dimensional MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  as in Algorithm 2.4.9 and a contractible curve  $V(X; T_k)$ . Write  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  with  $G = \{f_1, \ldots, f_s\}$ .

- Let P' be the matrix obtained by deleting the k-th column of P. Compute  $Q': \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^r / \text{Im}((P')^*)$  and the matrix  $(Q^0)'$  using Algorithms 2.1.24 and 2.1.26.
- Set  $G' := \{f'_1, \ldots, f'_s\}$  with the image  $f'_i$  of  $f_i$  under the map

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{r-1}], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_{i-1}, & i > k, \\ 1, & i = k, \\ T_i, & i < k. \end{cases}$$

- Compute the list  $(F_{\mathfrak{F}})'$  of  $\langle G' \rangle$ -faces with Algorithm 3.1.2 and define  $R' := (G', Q', (Q^0)', P', (F_{\mathfrak{F}})').$
- Choose  $w \in Mov(R')^{\circ}$  and define the MDS  $X' = (R', \Phi'(w))$ , see Algorithm 2.3.14 and Example 1.3.4.

*Output:* the MDS X'. Then  $X \to X'$  is the contraction of the divisor  $V(X; T_k)$ .

*Proof.* We will prove a similar statement in Algorithm 4.3.7 of Chapter 4.  $\Box$ 

Proof of Algorithm 2.4.8. For complexity-one varieties, this is [5, Thm. III.4.4.9], see also [61, Ch. 3]. Hence, we only need to show that if the verify option was given and all tests succeed, then X' is a smooth MDS. In particular,  $X' \to X$  then is an equivariant desingularization of X. Consider  $\overline{X}' = V(G') \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r'}$  and  $H' = \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K']$ . In the case of s = 1, we required the open subset  $U := \overline{X}' \setminus (\overline{X}')^{\operatorname{sing}}$  to be of codimension at least two in  $\overline{X}'$ . Thus, the ring R' is normal by Serre's criterion [73, 6.2], see Lemma 5.4.3. Moreover, the grading

$$Q'(e_1) = \deg(T_1), \qquad \dots, \qquad Q'(e_k) = \deg(T_k)$$

is almost free since, by construction, the columns of P' generate the whole space as a cone, are pairwise different and primitive. Furthermore, the codimension test ensures that the variables are pairwise non-associated. By Theorem 4.2.6, R' is the Cox ring of X'. We conclude that X' is a smooth MDS.

**Remark 2.4.11.** In Algorithm 2.4.8, for higher-dimensional X, it is not clear how to obtain a "minimal" resolution. However, one may use [51, Thm. 6.2] which states that X arises from a *combinatorially minimimal* MDS  $X_0$  by a finite sequence of small birationial maps and contractions.

In the following example, we apply Algorithm 2.4.8 to resolve the singularities of a surface X that does not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. We will encounter X in Theorem 4.4.1 as the surface with singularity type  $E_6A_2$ .

**Example 2.4.12.** Consider the Mori dream surface X with class group  $Cl(X) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  and the following Cox ring and degree matrix

$$\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_4] / \langle -T_1 T_4^2 + T_2^3 + T_2 T_3 T_4 + T_3^3 \rangle, \qquad Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{1} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{0} & \frac{1}{1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

By Algorithm 2.3.24, X is singular. Using Algorithm 2.4.8 with options verify and minimal, we obtain a minimal resolution  $X' \to X$  with a smooth MDS X'. Its Cox ring is

$$\mathcal{R}(X') = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{12}] / \langle g \rangle,$$
  
$$g := -T_1 T_4^2 T_5 + T_2^3 T_{12} T_7^2 T_8 + T_2 T_3 T_{11} T_4 T_5 T_6 T_7 T_8 T_{10} + T_3^3 T_9 T_{11}^2 T_{10}.$$

Note that  $\mathcal{R}(X')$  is as predicted in [33, p. 40, type  $E_6A_2$ ]. The class group of X' is  $\mathbb{Z}^9$  and the degree matrix is

	<b>1</b>	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	1	0	0	-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	1	0	0	0	-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	
	0	$^{-1}$	0	0	-1	0	1	0	-1	0	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	-1	1	0	0	l
İ	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0	1	0	0	ĺ.
	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	1	0	
ļ	Lο	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	

Since X' is a complete intersection we can compute the self intersection numbers of all  $D_i := V(X'; T_i)$  with Algorithm 2.3.48; they are

$D_{1}^{2}$	$D_2^2$	$D_{3}^{2}$	$D_4^2$	$D_{5}^{2}$	$D_{6}^{2}$	$D_{7}^{2}$	$D_{8}^{2}$	$D_{9}^{2}$	$D_{10}^2$	$D_{11}^2$	$D_{12}^{2}$
-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2

Observe that no further (-1)-curves  $D_i$  with i > 4 exist since we provided the option minimal. Combined with Algorithm 2.3.27, we obtain the exceptional graph  $G_{X'}$  and the subgraph of (-2)-curves which indeed has  $E_6A_2$  singularity type:



We come to algorithms concerning the so-called anticanonical complex introduced by B. Bechtold, J. Hausen and E. Huggenberger in [17]. Let  $X = X(P, A, \Phi)$  be a complexity-one *T*-variety as in Construction 1.5.11 with *P*-matrix *P* of size  $n \times r$ . Its Cox ring is  $R(P, A) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  with an ideal  $I = \langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$  and assume the Cl(X)-grading is pointed; compare Construction 1.5.3. Let  $Q^0$  be the degree matrix of the free part of the grading. In [17], the *anticanonical polytope* of X was defined as the polytope

$$A_X := B_X^{\vee}, \qquad B_X := (P^*)^{-1} \left( B_w + \sum_{i=1}^s \Delta(f_i) - (1, \dots, 1) \right) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n,$$

with the Newton polytopes  $\Delta(f_i) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$  and the fiber-polytope  $B_w := (Q^0)^{-1}(w) \cap \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$  of the free part  $w \in K^0$  of the anticanonical divisor class. Let  $Z_{\Sigma}$  be the canonical ambient toric variety of X as in Construction 1.5.7 and  $\Upsilon$  a fan in  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  with support trop(X). The *anticanonical complex* is the polyhedral complex



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where  $\Upsilon \sqcap \Sigma$  is the coarsest common refinement and faces $(A_X) \sqcap \Upsilon$  denotes the conewise intersection with the polytope  $A_X$ . The computation is a direct consequence of the definition.

Algorithm 2.4.13 (MDSanticanpoly). See [17]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one. Let  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  with  $G = \{f_1, \ldots, f_s\}$  and  $P \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

- Compute the free part  $w := (-w_X^{\operatorname{can}})^0 \in K^0$  of the anticanonical divisor class with Algorithm 2.3.41. Determine  $B_w := (Q^0)^{-1}(w) \cap \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$ .
- Compute the Minkowski sum  $B := B_w + \Delta(f_1) + \ldots + \Delta(f_s) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$  and the image  $B_X := (P^*)^{-1}(B - (1, \ldots, 1))$  in  $\mathbb{Q}^n$ . Let  $A_X := B_X^{\vee}$  be the dual.

*Output:* the anticanonical polytope  $A_X \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$ .

Algorithm 2.4.14 (MDSanticancomp). See [17]. Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

- Compute the anticanonical polytope  $A_X \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  with Algorithm 2.4.13.
- Compute a fan  $\Upsilon \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  with support trop(X), compare Algorithm 2.2.7.
- Compute the fan  $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  of the canonical toric ambient variety with Algorithm 2.3.9 and the coarsest common refinement  $\Sigma' := \Upsilon \sqcap \Sigma$ .
- Let  $\mathcal{A}_X$  be the polyhedral complex with maximal cells  $\sigma' \cap \mathcal{A}_X$  where  $\sigma' \in \Sigma'$  runs through the maximal cones of  $\Sigma'$ .

*Output:* the anticanonical complex  $\mathcal{A}_X$  of X.

Consider a normal Q-factorial variety X with Cartier canonical divisor  $D_X^{\text{can}}$ . Let  $\varphi: X' \to X$  be a resolution of singularities. Recall, e.g., from [61], that X is *terminal* if  $a_i > 0$  for all i in

$$D_{X'}^{\operatorname{can}} = \varphi^* \left( D_X^{\operatorname{can}} \right) + \sum_i a_i E_i$$

with the exceptional divisors  $E_i$  of  $\varphi$ . We say that X is *log-terminal* if  $a_i > 1$  for all *i*. Similarly, given  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ , we call X  $\varepsilon$ -log-terminal if we have  $a_i > -1 + \varepsilon$  for all *i*.

**Algorithm 2.4.15** (MDSisepslogterminal). See [17]. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and a rational number  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ .

- Compute the anticanonical complex  $\mathcal{A}_X$  of X using Algorithm 2.4.14.
- For each maximal cell  $C \in \mathcal{A}_X$  do
  - Let  $C_{\varepsilon}$  be the scaled cell  $\varepsilon \cdot C$ . Return *false* if  $C_{\varepsilon}$  is unbounded.
  - Compute the set of lattice points  $U := C_{\varepsilon} \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$  with Algorithm 2.2.2.
  - Let  $V \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  consist of the zero-vector, the columns of P and the
  - vertices of  $\mathcal{A}_X$ . Return false if  $U \setminus V \neq \emptyset$ .
- Return *true*.

*Output:* true if X is  $\varepsilon$ -log-terminal and false otherwise.

**Algorithm 2.4.16** (MDSisterminal). See [17]. *Input:* an MDS X of complexity one.

• Perform the same steps as in Algorithm 2.4.15 for  $\varepsilon = 1$ .

*Output:* true if X is terminal and *false* otherwise.

Note that we can also test a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface for being log-terminal by an inspection of its *P*-matrix, see Remark 2.5.6.

**Example 2.4.17.** By an application of Algorithm 2.4.16, the complexity-one T-variety defined in Example 2.4.7 is terminal whereas the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface of Example 2.4.5 is not. However, the latter is  $\varepsilon$ -log-terminal by Algorithm 2.4.15 for  $\varepsilon := 1/2$ .

# 5. Application: Combinatorially minimal $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces

In this section, we classify the non-toric, combinatorially minimal *del Pezzo*, i.e., Fano,  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces of Picard number two up to Gorenstein-index six. We apply the algorithms developed in the previous sections to study the resulting surfaces. This continues work of E. Huggenberger on the Gorenstein-case, see [61, Sec. 5.3].

We write  $d_X$  for the self-intersection number of the anticanonical divisor of the given surface X and denote the Picard index by b := [Cl(X) : Pic(X)]. We say that X has hypersurface Cox ring if the spectrum  $\overline{X}$  over the Cox ring is a hypersurface. Moreover, recall from [51, Sec. 6] that a variety X is combinatorially minimal if Mov(X) = Eff(X). In the sense of Remark 1.4.2, this means that no further contraction is possible.

**Theorem 2.5.1.** Up to isomorphism, there are only finitely many non-toric, combinatorially minimal del Pezzo  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces of Picard number two with hypersurface Cox ring and with Gorenstein index  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . The following table is a classification of all surfaces with  $n \leq 6$ . No two shown surfaces are isomorphic.

Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$		degr	ree ma	trix		$\operatorname{Cl}(X)$	b	n	$d_X$
(1) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2 + T_3^2T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\0\\1\end{array}\right]$	$-rac{0}{rac{2}{1}}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{1} \end{array}$	$\frac{1}{0}{\overline{0}}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -\frac{1}{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	32	2	2
(2) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2 + T_3^2T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\0\\1\end{array}\right]$	$-\frac{0}{2}{3}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -rac{1}{2} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\\ \overline{0} \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1\\ \overline{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$	256	4	1
(3) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2 + T_3^2T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\0\\1\end{array}\right]$	$-\frac{0}{2}{\frac{5}{5}}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -rac{1}{3} \end{array}$	$\frac{1}{0}{\overline{0}}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1\\ \overline{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$	864	6	23
(4) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2^2 + T_3T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\0\\1\end{array}\right]$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{1} \\ 1 \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{2}{\overline{0}} \end{array} $	$\frac{1}{0} \\ \overline{0}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1\\ \overline{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$	108	3	<u>4</u> 3
(5) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2^3 + T_3T_4^3 + T_5^3 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}3\\0\end{array}\right]$	$_{-1}^{0}$	$0 \\ -3$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	9	3	00 Co
(6) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1 T_2^3 + T_3 T_4^3 + T_5^3 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}3\\0\\1\end{array}\right]$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{1} \\ 1 \end{array}$	$-\frac{0}{\overline{0}}$	$\frac{1}{0}{\overline{0}}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -\frac{1}{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	72	3	<u>4</u> 3
(7) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2^2 + T_3T_4^2 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\0\\\overline{3}\end{array}\right]$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{1} \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{2}{\overline{0}} \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\\ \overline{0} \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1\\ \overline{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$	500	5	<u>4</u> 5
(8) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1 T_2^5 + T_3 T_4^5 + T_5^5 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}5\\0\end{array}\right]$	$_{-1}^{0}$	$^{0}_{-5}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	25	5	cr 00
(9) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1 T_2^5 + T_3 T_4^5 + T_5^5 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}5\\0\\1\end{array}\right]$	$0 \\ -\frac{1}{1}$	$-\frac{0}{5}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\\ \overline{0} \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -\frac{1}{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	200	5	<u>4</u> 5
(10) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1 T_2^3 + T_3 T_4^3 + T_5^3 \rangle$	$\begin{bmatrix} 3\\ 0\\ \overline{1} \end{bmatrix}$	$0 \\ -\frac{1}{1}$	$-\frac{0}{\overline{0}}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\\ \overline{0} \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1\\ \overline{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$	576	6	2 3

(11) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2^4 + T_3T_4^4 + T_5^4 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 4\\ 0\\ \frac{1}{2}\end{array}\right]$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{1} \\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -rac{4}{\overline{0}} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\\ \overline{0} \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -\frac{1}{0} \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2\oplus\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$	432	6	$\frac{2}{3}$
(12) $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/\langle T_1^2 T_2 + T_3^2 T_4 + T_5^2 \rangle$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\end{array}\right.$	$0 \\ -2$	$_{-1}^{0}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 2\\ 0 \end{array} $	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	4	1	4

All surfaces are singular and exactly the surfaces of cases (5), (8) and (12) are almost-homogeneous. The log-terminal surfaces are (1), (2), (3), (4), (7) and (12). Moreover, in each case (i), the following P-matrices can be chosen such that the respective  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface X satisfies  $X = X(P_i, A)$  as in Construction 1.5.2:

$P_1$	=	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$-1 \\ -1 \\ 0$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{array}$	$\left[\begin{smallmatrix} 0\\2\\1\end{smallmatrix} ight],$	$P_2 =$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-1}_{-1}_{1}$	$2 \\ 0 \\ -3$	$     \begin{array}{c}       2 \\       0 \\       1     \end{array} $	$\begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$	,
$P_3$	=	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-1}_{-1}_{2}$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ -5 & 1 \end{array}$	$\left[\begin{smallmatrix} 0\\2\\1\end{smallmatrix} ight],$	$P_4 =$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-2}_{-2}_{1}$	$\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\-1\end{array}$	${}^{2}_{0}_{1}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$	,
$P_5$	=	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$-3 \\ -3 \\ -2$	$egin{array}{ccc} 1 & 3 \ 0 & 0 \ 0 & 1 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,	$P_{6} =$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$     \begin{array}{r}       -3 \\       -3 \\       -1     \end{array} $	1 0 0	$\begin{array}{ccc} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{array}$	) }	1
$P_7$	=	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-2}_{-2}_{3}$	$egin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 \ 0 & 0 \ -2 & 1 \end{array}$	$\left[ \begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{smallmatrix} \right],$	$P_{8} =$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-5}_{-5}_{-4}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$5 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 4$	) 5 4 ],	I
$P_9$	=	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-5}_{-3}$	$egin{array}{ccc} 1 & 5 \ 0 & 0 \ 0 & 2 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,	$P_{10} =$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-3}_{-3}$	$\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\-1\end{array}$	${}^{3}_{0}_{1}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0\\3\\2 \end{bmatrix}$	,
$P_{11}$	=	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$^{-4}_{-4}$	$\begin{array}{ccc}1&4\\0&0\\0&3\end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,	$P_{12} =$	$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$-1 \\ -1 \\ 0$	$2 \\ 0 \\ -1$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$	

Furthermore, for the respective minimal resolution of singularities  $X' \to X$ , the subgraphs of (-k)-curves,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$ , of the graphs  $G_{X'}$  of exceptional curves and the corresponding self-intersection numbers are





**Remark 2.5.2.** In Theorem 2.5.1, case (12) coincides with the Gorenstein surface with ADE-singularity type  $D_4$  found in [61, Thm. 5.26]. Surfaces (1), (4) and (12) also appear in [94, Satz 6.13].

**Lemma 2.5.3.** Let  $w_1, \ldots, w_4 \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  be such that  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_1 = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_2$ , we have  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_3 = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_4$  and  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_1 \neq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_3$ . If  $\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (w_1, \ldots, w_4) = \mathbb{Z}^2$ , then there is  $S \in GL(2,\mathbb{Z})$  such that

$$S \cdot [w_1, \ldots, w_4] = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad with \ a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

*Proof.* After computing a Hermite normal form, we may assume that there are integers  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfying

$$w_1 = (a, 0), \qquad w_2 = (b, 0), \qquad w_3 = c \cdot v, \qquad w_4 = d \cdot v$$

with a vector  $v = (v_1, v_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ . Since the  $w_i$  generate  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ , we must have  $v_2 = \pm 1$ ; we may assume  $v_2 = 1$ . Adding  $-v_1$  times the last row to the first one yields

$$S \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \cdot v_1 & d \cdot v_1 \\ 0 & 0 & c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } S \in \mathrm{GL}(2, \mathbb{Z}).$$

**Lemma 2.5.4.** Let X be a combinatorially minimal  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface with hypersurface Cox ring and rank(Cl(X)) = 2. Then X = X(P, A) with integral matrices

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -l_{01} & -l_{02} & l_{11} & l_{12} & 0\\ -l_{01} & -l_{02} & 0 & 0 & l_{21} \\ -\frac{d_{12}l_{01}}{l_{12}} - \frac{d_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}} & -\frac{d_{11}l_{02}}{l_{11}} - \frac{d_{21}l_{02}}{l_{21}} & d_{11} & d_{12} & d_{21} \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0\\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

as in Construction 1.5.2, satisfying  $gcd(l_{ij_i}, d_{ij_i}) = 1$  for all  $0 \le i \le 2$  and  $1 \le j_i \le n_i$  and we have

$$0 \le d_{12} < l_{12}, \qquad 0 \le d_{21} < l_{21}, \qquad \frac{d_{12}}{l_{12}} > \frac{d_{11}}{l_{11}}$$

Furthermore, the fan  $\Sigma(P)$  of the canonical toric ambient variety of X in Construction 1.5.7 is of type (ee) with exactly two three-dimensional cones



Moreover, the integral  $2 \times 5$  matrix  $Q^0$  representing the free part of the degree map  $\mathbb{Z}^5 \to \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  is of shape

$$Q^{0} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & \frac{l_{01}a}{l_{12}} & \frac{l_{01}a}{l_{21}} \\ 0 & b & \frac{l_{02}b}{l_{11}} & 0 & \frac{l_{02}b}{l_{21}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}.$$

*Proof.* Since X is a surface and rank(Cl(X)) = 2, we have dim $(\mathcal{R}(X)) = 4$ . Together with the fact that the ideal of relations of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is principal, the parameters in Construction 1.5.2 are r = 2, n = 5 and m = 0. This means X = X(P, A) arises from matrices P and A where

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -l_{01} & -l_{02} & l_{11} & l_{12} & 0\\ -l_{01} & -l_{02} & 0 & 0 & l_{21}\\ d_{01} & d_{02} & d_{11} & d_{12} & d_{21} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0\\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let the  $2 \times 5$  matrix  $Q^0 = [q_{01}, \ldots, q_{21}]$  represent the projection  $\mathbb{Z}^5 \to \mathbb{Z}^2$  onto the free part of  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ . Since X is combinatorially minimal, the columns  $q_{01}, \ldots, q_{21}$  generate a pointed, two-dimensional cone  $\vartheta \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^2$  where each of the two extremal rays of  $\vartheta$  contains exactly two  $q_{ij}$  and  $q_{21} \in \vartheta^\circ$  by homogenity of the defining equation  $T_{01}^{l_{01}}T_{02}^{l_{02}} + T_{11}^{l_{11}}T_{12}^{l_{12}} + T_{21}^{l_{21}}$  of the Cox ring. Moreover, by Lemma 2.5.3, there are  $a, b, c, d, e, f \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

h.

$$\begin{array}{c} {}^{q_{02}} \bullet \overset{\vartheta}{}_{q_{21}} \\ {}^{q_{12}} \bullet \overset{\vartheta}{}_{q_{01}q_{11}} \end{array} \qquad \qquad Q^0 = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} a & 0 & 0 & d & e \\ 0 & b & c & 0 & f \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} a & 0 & 0 & \frac{l_{01}a}{l_{12}} & \frac{l_{01}a}{l_{21}} \\ 0 & b & \frac{l_{02}b}{l_{11}} & 0 & \frac{l_{02}b}{l_{21}} \end{array} \right],$$

where the last equality and the fact that all fractions are integers was obtained from  $P \cdot (Q^0)^t = 0$ . Multiplying the rows by  $\pm 1$ , we may assume  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . Using again  $P \cdot (Q^0)^t = 0$ , we have the additional conditions

$$ad_{01} = -\frac{ad_{12}l_{01}}{l_{12}} - \frac{ad_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}}, \qquad bd_{02} = -\frac{bd_{11}l_{02}}{l_{11}} - \frac{bd_{21}l_{02}}{l_{21}}$$

Division by a or b respectively gives the desired shape of P. The conditions  $0 \leq d_{12} < l_{12}$  and  $0 \leq d_{21} < l_{21}$  come from according row operations in P (before fixing the  $d_{0i}$ ). Note that P is in the normal form of Construction 1.5.2 if we fix the ordering of the slopes of one block:

$$\frac{d_{02}}{l_{02}} > \frac{d_{01}}{l_{01}} \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \frac{d_{12}}{l_{12}} > \frac{d_{11}}{l_{11}}.$$

**Lemma 2.5.5.** Let X = X(P, A) be as in Lemma 2.5.4. Then X is Fano if and only if the following inequalities hold

$$1 < \frac{1}{l_{21}} + \frac{1}{l_{12}} + \frac{1}{l_{01}}, \quad 1 < \frac{1}{l_{21}} + \frac{1}{l_{11}} + \frac{1}{l_{02}}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $Q^0$  be the 2 × 5 matrix from Lemma 2.5.5 with columns  $q_{ij}$ . Also by Lemma 2.5.5 and Construction 1.5.3, the Cox ring of X is

$$\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_{01}, T_{02}, T_{11}, T_{12}, T_{21}] / \langle g \rangle, \qquad g := T_{01}^{l_{01}} T_{02}^{l_{02}} + T_{11}^{l_{11}} T_{12}^{l_{12}} + T_{21}^{l_{21}}.$$

By Proposition 1.3.17, X is Fano if and only if the free part  $(-w_X^{\text{can}})^0 \in \operatorname{Cl}(X)^0 = \mathbb{Z}^2$  of the anticanonical divisor class of X is an element of the ample cone, i.e.

$$(-w_X^{\operatorname{can}})^0 = \left(\sum_{i,j} q_{ij}\right) - \operatorname{deg}(g)$$
  
=  $\left(\begin{array}{c} a\left(\frac{l_{01}}{l_{21}} + \frac{l_{01}}{l_{12}} + 1 - l_{01}\right)\\ b\left(\frac{l_{02}}{l_{21}} + \frac{l_{02}}{l_{11}} + 1 - l_{02}\right)\end{array}\right)$   
 $\in \operatorname{cone}(e_1, e_2)^\circ.$ 

This means  $(-w_X^{\operatorname{can}})_i^0 > 0$  for both i = 1, 2. Since  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ , division by  $l_{01}$  or  $l_{02} \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  respectively, gives the assertion.

The parameters occurring in the inequalities in Lemma 2.5.5 are *platonic triples*, i.e., triples  $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^3$  such that  $a^{-1} + b^{-1} + c^{-1} > 1$ . Up to permutation, the

only possible combinations are (compare [61, Ex. 3.20])

$$(1, x, y), \quad (2, 2, z), \quad (2, 3, 3), \quad (2, 3, 4), \quad (2, 3, 5), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}, \quad z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}.$$

**Remark 2.5.6.** The platonic triples occurring in Lemma 2.5.5 are similar to the ones occurring in [61, Prop. 3.19, Ex. 3.20]: X being log-terminal is equivalent to

$$1 \ < \ \frac{1}{l_{02}} + \frac{1}{l_{12}} + \frac{1}{l_{21}}, \qquad 1 \ < \ \frac{1}{l_{01}} + \frac{1}{l_{11}} + \frac{1}{l_{21}}$$

**Lemma 2.5.7.** Let X = X(P, A) be as in Lemma 2.5.4 and assume X is Fano. Then each possible choice of parameters  $l_{ij}$  must simultaneously satisfy cases  $A_k$ ,  $B_l$  for some  $k, l \in \{1, ..., 20\}$  where

case	$l_{01}$	$l_{12}$	$l_{21}$	case	$l_{02}$	$l_{11}$	$l_{21}$
$A_1$	1	$\geq 1$	$\geq 2$	$B_1$	1	$\geq 1$	$\geq 2$
$A_2$	$\geq 2$	1	$\geq 2$	$B_2$	$\geq 2$	1	$\geq 2$
$A_3$	2	2	$\geq 2$	$B_3$	2	2	$\geq 2$
$A_4$	2	$\geq 3$	2	$B_4$	2	$\geq 3$	2
$A_5$	$\geq 3$	2	2	$B_5$	$\geq 3$	2	2
$A_6$	2	3	3	$B_6$	2	3	3
$A_7$	3	2	3	$B_7$	3	2	3
$A_8$	3	3	2	$B_8$	3	3	2
$A_9$	2	3	4	$B_9$	2	3	4
$A_{10}$	2	4	3	$B_{10}$	2	4	3
$A_{11}$	3	2	4	$B_{11}$	3	2	4
$A_{12}$	4	2	3	$B_{12}$	4	2	3
$A_{13}$	3	4	2	$B_{13}$	3	4	2
$A_{14}$	4	3	2	$B_{14}$	4	3	2
$A_{15}$	2	3	5	$B_{15}$	2	3	5
$A_{16}$	2	5	3	$B_{16}$	2	5	3
$A_{17}$	3	2	5	$B_{17}$	3	2	5
$A_{18}$	5	2	3	$B_{18}$	5	2	3
$A_{19}$	3	5	2	$B_{19}$	3	5	2
$A_{20}$	5	3	2	$B_{20}$	5	3	2

*Proof.* This is a direct application of Lemma 2.5.5 and the aforementioned possible choices for platonic triples.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 2.5.8.** See [61, Prop. 5.2]. Let X = X(P, A) be as in Lemma 2.5.4. Then X is n-Gorenstein if and only if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  is minimal such that all of the following divisibility constraints, called (a) to (j), are satisfied

$l_{11}l_{21}d_{01} + l_{01}l_{21}d_{11} + l_{01}l_{11}d_{21}$	$n\left(l_{01}l_{11}l_{21}-l_{11}l_{21}-l_{01}l_{21}-l_{01}l_{11}\right),$
$l_{12}l_{21}d_{02} + l_{02}l_{21}d_{12} + l_{02}l_{12}d_{21}    $	$n\left(l_{02}l_{12}l_{21}-l_{12}l_{21}-l_{02}l_{21}-l_{02}l_{12}\right),$
$l_{11}l_{21}d_{01} + l_{01}l_{21}d_{11} + l_{01}l_{11}d_{21}   $	$n\left(l_{01}l_{21}d_{11}+l_{21}(d_{01}-d_{11})+l_{01}(d_{21}-d_{11})\right),$
$l_{12}l_{21}d_{02} + l_{02}l_{21}d_{12} + l_{02}l_{12}d_{21}  \big  $	$n\left(l_{02}l_{21}d_{12}+l_{21}(d_{02}-d_{12})+l_{02}(d_{21}-d_{12})\right),$
$l_{11}l_{21}d_{01} + l_{01}l_{21}d_{11} + l_{01}l_{11}d_{21}   $	$n\left(l_{01}l_{11}d_{21}+l_{11}(d_{01}-d_{21})+l_{01}(d_{11}-d_{21})\right),$
$l_{12}l_{21}d_{02} + l_{02}l_{21}d_{12} + l_{02}l_{12}d_{21}    $	$n\left(l_{02}l_{12}d_{21}+l_{12}(d_{02}-d_{21})+l_{02}(d_{12}-d_{21})\right),$
$l_{01}d_{02} - l_{02}d_{01}$	$n\left(d_{02}-d_{01}\right),$
$l_{01}d_{02} - l_{02}d_{01}$	$n\left(l_{01}-l_{02}\right),$
$l_{11}d_{12} - l_{12}d_{11}$	$n\left(d_{12}-d_{11}\right),$
$l_{11}d_{12} - l_{12}d_{11}$	$n(l_{11}-l_{12})$ .

**Lemma 2.5.9.** Let X = X(P, A) be as in Lemma 2.5.4. Set  $q_1 := \gcd(l_{21}l_{12}, l_{01}l_{21})$ and  $q_2 := \gcd(l_{21}l_{11}, l_{02}l_{21})$ . If  $q_1 \mid l_{12}l_{01}$  and  $q_2 \mid l_{02}l_{11}$ , then  $Q^0$  can be chosen as
the integral matrix

$$Q^{0} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{l_{21}l_{12}}{q_{1}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{l_{01}l_{21}}{q_{1}} & \frac{l_{12}l_{01}}{q_{1}} \\ 0 & \frac{l_{21}l_{11}}{q_{2}} & \frac{l_{02}l_{21}}{q_{2}} & 0 & \frac{l_{02}l_{11}}{q_{1}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

*Proof.* Consider the sublattice  $L \leq \mathbb{Z}^5$  spanned by the two vectors  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^5$  which are given by

$$u_1 := (l_{21}l_{12}, 0, 0, l_{01}l_{21}, l_{12}l_{01}), \qquad u_2 := (0, l_{21}l_{11}, l_{02}l_{21}, 0, l_{02}l_{11}).$$

Since  $L \leq \ker(P)$  and  $\operatorname{rank}(L) = 2 = \operatorname{rank}(\ker(P))$ , the saturated lattice  $L^{\operatorname{sat}}$  equals  $\ker(P)$ . Swapping coordinates, we have

$$\langle S_1 \cdot u_1, S_1 \cdot u_2 \rangle = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} l_{21}l_{12} \\ l_{01}l_{21} \\ 0 \\ l_{12}l_{01} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ l_{02}l_{21} \\ l_{21}l_{11} \\ l_{02}l_{11} \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle =: \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \\ l_{12}l_{01} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v' \\ l_{02}l_{11} \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$$

with  $S_1 \in \operatorname{GL}(5,\mathbb{Z})$  and  $v, v' \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ . By basic algebra, given a primitive vector  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  and  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there is  $S \in \operatorname{GL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$  such that  $S(d \cdot w) = (d, 0)$ . Applying this to the primitive vectors  $vq_1^{-1}$  and  $v'q_2^{-1}$ , we have  $S_2 \cdot v = (q_1, 0)$  and  $S'_2 \cdot v' = (q_2, 0)$  with matrices  $S_2, S'_2 \in \operatorname{GL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$ . Then

$$S \cdot L = \langle Su_1, Su_2 \rangle = \left\langle \left( \begin{array}{c} q_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ l_1 2 l_{01} \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ q_2 \\ l_{02} l_{11} \end{array} \right) \right\rangle, \quad S := \left[ \begin{array}{c} S_2 & 0 \\ 0 & S_2' \\ \hline 0 & S_2' \\ \hline 0 & S_2' \\ \hline \end{array} \right] \cdot S_1$$

with  $S \in \operatorname{GL}(5,\mathbb{Z})$ . Since  $q_1 \mid l_{12}l_{01}$  and  $q_2 \mid l_{02}l_{11}$ , we have a sublattice  $L' := \langle q_1^{-1}Su_1, q_2^{-1}Su_2 \rangle \leq \mathbb{Z}^5$ . Since  $L' = (L')^{\operatorname{sat}}$  and  $L' \subseteq (S \cdot L)^{\operatorname{sat}}$  and both L' and  $S \cdot L$  are of rank two, we have  $L' = (S \cdot L)^{\operatorname{sat}}$ . Then the rows of  $Q^0$ , i.e., generators for ker(P), are obtained by

$$\ker(P) = L^{\text{sat}} = S^{-1}(L') = \langle q_1^{-1}u_1, q_2^{-1}u_2 \rangle. \qquad \Box$$

**Lemma 2.5.10**  $(A_1B_1)$ . Consider in Lemma 2.5.7 case  $A_1B_1$ , i.e.,  $l_{01} = 1 = l_{02}$ , and  $l_{11} \ge 1$ ,  $l_{12} \ge 1$ ,  $l_{21} \ge 2$ . If X is n-Gorenstein, then there are only finitely many possibilities for the matrix P of Lemma 2.5.4. More precisely, we obtain the following bounds

$$2 \leq l_{21} = l_{11} = l_{12} \leq n, \quad -n < -d_{11} < 2n.$$

*Proof.* Note that by Lemma 2.5.4, we require  $d_{01}$  and  $d_{02}$  to be integers of the following form

$$d_{01} = -\frac{d_{12}}{l_{12}} - \frac{d_{21}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}, \qquad d_{02} = -\frac{d_{11}}{l_{11}} - \frac{d_{21}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Since also  $l_{12}d_{01} \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $l_{11}d_{02} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , this means  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{12}$  and  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{11}$ . As  $gcd(l_{21}, d_{21}) = 1$ , we have  $l_{21} \mid l_{12}$  and  $l_{21} \mid l_{11}$ . Lemma 2.5.9 then allows us to choose the free part  $Q^0$  of the grading as

$$Q^{0} = \begin{bmatrix} l_{12} & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{l_{12}}{l_{21}} \\ 0 & l_{11} & 1 & 0 & \frac{l_{11}}{l_{21}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the grading must be almost free, each four columns must generate  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  as a lattice, i.e., both  $l_{11}$  and  $l_{11}/l_{21}$  as well as  $l_{12}$  and  $l_{12}/l_{21}$  have to be coprime. We obtain  $l_{21} = l_{11} = l_{12}$ . Now, condition (i) in Lemma 2.5.8 provides us with  $l_{21} \mid n$  and, thus,  $2 \leq l_{21} = l_{11} = l_{12} \leq n$ . Moreover, by condition (a) of Lemma 2.5.8, we have  $d_{11} - d_{12} \mid 2n$ . Together with the condition  $d_{12} > d_{11}$  obtained by the requirements on the slopes in Lemma 2.5.4, this implies

$$-n \leq -l_{12} < -d_{12} < -d_{11} \leq 2n - d_{12} < 2n.$$

**Lemma 2.5.11**  $(A_1B_2)$ . Consider in Lemma 2.5.7 case  $A_1B_2$ , i.e.,  $l_{01} = 1$ ,  $l_{02} \ge 2$ ,  $l_{11} = 1$ ,  $l_{12} \ge 1$ ,  $l_{21} \ge 2$ . If X is n-Gorenstein, then there are only finitely many possibilities for the matrix P of Lemma 2.5.4. More precisely, we obtain the following bounds

$$2 \leq l_{21} = l_{02} = l_{12} \leq n, \quad -1 < -d_{11} < \frac{3n}{2}.$$

*Proof.* Note that by Lemma 2.5.4, we require  $d_{01}$  and  $d_{02}$  to be integers of the following form

$$d_{01} = -\frac{d_{12}}{l_{12}} - \frac{d_{21}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}, \qquad d_{02} = -d_{11}l_{02} - \frac{d_{21}l_{02}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}$$

For  $d_{02} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , this means  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{02}$  and  $l_{21} \mid l_{02}$  follows from  $gcd(d_{21}, l_{21}) = 1$ . Since also  $l_{12}d_{01} \in \mathbb{Z}$  holds, we obtain  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{12}$ . Using again  $gcd(d_{21}, l_{21}) = 1$ , we arrive at  $l_{21} \mid l_{12}$ . Lemma 2.5.9 then allows us to choose the free part  $Q^0$  of the grading as

$$Q^{0} = \begin{bmatrix} l_{12} & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{l_{12}}{l_{21}} \\ 0 & 1 & l_{02} & 0 & \frac{l_{02}}{l_{21}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since the grading must be almost free, each four columns must generate  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  as a lattice, i.e., both  $l_{02}$  and  $l_{02}/l_{21}$  as well as  $l_{12}$  and  $l_{12}/l_{21}$  have to be coprime. We obtain  $l_{21} = l_{02} = l_{12}$ . Now, condition (i) in Lemma 2.5.8 provides us with  $l_{21} \mid n$  and, thus,  $2 \leq l_{21} = l_{11} = l_{12} \leq n$ . The requirements on the slopes in Lemma 2.5.4 and  $0 \leq d_{21} < l_{21}$  gives us

$$d_{11} < \frac{d_{12}}{l_{12}} < 1.$$

Moreover, by condition (a) of Lemma 2.5.8,  $-d_{11}l_{21} + d_{12}$  divides  $n(l_{21} + 1)$ . Together, by division of  $l_{21} = l_{12}$ , we conclude

$$0 \leq -d_{11} + \frac{d_{12}}{l_{21}} \leq \frac{n(l_{21}+1)}{l_{21}} \leq \frac{3n}{2}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow -1 < -\frac{d_{12}}{l_{12}} \leq -d_{11} \leq \frac{3n}{2} - \frac{d_{12}}{l_{12}} < \frac{3n}{2}.$$

Several of the cases of Lemma 2.5.7 can be directly left out by the following observation.

**Lemma 2.5.12.** In the situation of Lemma 2.5.7, each case  $A_iB_j$  in which at least one of the following conditions is satisfied, is not possible.

$l_{21} \nmid l_{01} l_{12},$	$l_{12} \nmid l_{01} l_{21},$
$l_{21} \nmid l_{02} l_{11},$	$l_{11}  i l_{02} l_{21},$
$l_{21} = l_{01}$ and $l_{12} \nmid l_{01}$ ,	$l_{12} = l_{01} \ and \ l_{21} \nmid l_{01},$
$l_{21} = l_{02} \ and \ l_{11} \nmid l_{02},$	$l_{11} = l_{02} \ and \ l_{21} \nmid l_{02},$
$l_{01} \ge 2$ and $l_{12} = l_{21}$ and $l_{01} \nmid l_{21}$ ,	$l_{02} \ge 2$ and $l_{11} = l_{21}$ and $l_{02} \nmid l_{21}$ .

In particular, this rules out all cases  $A_iB_j$  with  $i \ge 4$  or  $j \ge 4$ . Furthermore, in the cases  $A_3B_j$  and  $A_iB_3$ , we have  $l_{21} = 2$ , in the cases  $A_1B_j$ , we have  $l_{12} \ge 2$  and in the cases  $A_iB_1$ , we have  $l_{11} \ge 2$ .

*Proof.* We enumerate the listed conditions row-wise from left to right and speak of conditions (i) to (x). In Lemma 2.5.4, we showed that the integers  $d_{01}$  and  $d_{02}$  are

$$d_{01} = -\frac{d_{12}l_{01}}{l_{12}} - \frac{d_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}, \qquad d_{02} = -\frac{d_{11}l_{02}}{l_{11}} - \frac{d_{21}l_{02}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

In particular,  $l_{12}d_{01}$  and  $l_{21}d_{01}$  as well as  $l_{21}d_{02}$  and  $l_{11}d_{02}$  are integers. Since  $gcd(l_{ij}, d_{ij}) = 1$  for all  $0 \le i \le 2$  and  $1 \le j \le n_i$ , this is equivalent to

$$l_{21} \mid l_{01}l_{12}, \qquad l_{12} \mid l_{01}l_{21}, \qquad l_{21} \mid l_{02}l_{11}, \qquad l_{11} \mid l_{02}l_{21},$$

respectively. This proves cases (i) to (iv). In the next four cases, i.e., (v) to (viii), ordered as in the claim, this becomes

$$d_{01} = -\frac{d_{12}l_{21}}{l_{12}} - d_{21} \in \mathbb{Z}, \qquad d_{01} = -d_{12} - \frac{d_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z},$$
  
$$d_{02} = -\frac{d_{11}l_{02}}{l_{11}} - d_{21} \in \mathbb{Z}, \qquad d_{02} = -d_{11} - \frac{d_{21}l_{02}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Since we require the  $d_{0i}$  to be integers, all occurring fractions must be integers, i.e., , enumerated from left to right, we have respectively

$$l_{12} \mid d_{12}l_{21}, \qquad l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{01}, \qquad l_{11} \mid d_{11}l_{02}, \qquad l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{02}.$$

Since  $l_{ij}$  and  $d_{ij}$  are coprime for all  $0 \le i \le 2$  and  $1 \le j \le n_i$ , all  $d_{ij}$  can be removed from the above divisibility constraints, i.e., the respective claim follows from

$$l_{12} \mid l_{21}, \qquad l_{21} \mid l_{01}, \qquad l_{11} \mid l_{02}, \qquad l_{21} \mid l_{02}$$

In the last two cases, we have respectively

$$d_{01} = \frac{l_{01}(-d_{12}-d_{21})}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad d_{02} = \frac{l_{02}(-d_{11}-d_{21})}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Since  $d_{01}$  and  $l_{01}$  as well as  $d_{02}$  and  $l_{02}$  are coprime, we must have  $l_{01} | l_{21}$  and  $l_{02} | l_{21}$  respectively. This completes the first part of the proof. The remaining assertions are direct consequences.

**Lemma 2.5.13**  $(A_1B_3)$ . Consider in Lemma 2.5.7 case  $A_1B_3$ , i.e.,  $l_{01} = 1$ ,  $l_{02} = 2$ ,  $l_{11} = 2$ ,  $l_{12} \ge 1$ ,  $l_{21} \ge 2$ . If X is n-Gorenstein, then there are only finitely many possibilities for the matrix P of Lemma 2.5.4. More precisely, we obtain the following bounds

$$1 \leq l_{12} \leq 2, \qquad l_{21} = 2, \qquad 0 > d_{11} \geq -n-1.$$

*Proof.* We have  $l_{21} = 2$  by Lemma 2.5.12. Since  $0 \le d_{21} < l_{21}$  and  $gcd(l_{21}, d_{21}) = 1$ , we have  $d_{21} = 1$ . Moreover, using Lemma 2.5.4, the requirement

$$2d_{01} = -\frac{2d_{12}}{l_{12}} - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

gives  $l_{12} \mid 2d_{12}$  which in turn delivers  $l_{12} \mid 2$  since  $gcd(l_{12}, d_{12}) = 1$ . In particular  $1 \leq l_{12} \leq 2$ . Condition (*h*) in Lemma 2.5.8 supplies us with bounds

$$\frac{2d_{12}}{l_{12}} + 1 - d_{11} - 2 \mid n \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad -d_{11} \leq n + 1 - \frac{2d_{12}}{l_{12}} \leq n + 1. \qquad \Box$$

**Lemma 2.5.14**  $(A_2B_1)$ . Consider in Lemma 2.5.7 case  $A_2B_1$ , i.e.,  $l_{01} \ge 2$ ,  $l_{02} = l_{12} = 1$ ,  $l_{21} \ge 2$  and  $l_{11} \ge 1$ . If X is n-Gorenstein, then there are only finitely many possibilities for the matrix P of Lemma 2.5.4. More precisely, we obtain the following bounds

$$2 \leq l_{01} = l_{11} = l_{21} < 4, \qquad d_{12} = 0, \qquad 0 < -d_{11} \leq 4n.$$

*Proof.* Note that by Lemma 2.5.4, we have  $0 \le d_{12} < l_{12} = 1$ , i.e.,  $d_{12} = 0$ . we require  $d_{01}$  and  $d_{02}$  to be integers of the following form

$$d_{01} = -\frac{d_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}, \qquad d_{02} = -\frac{d_{11}}{l_{11}} - \frac{d_{21}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

For  $d_{01} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , this means  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{01}$  and  $l_{21} \mid l_{01}$  follows from  $gcd(d_{21}, l_{21}) = 1$ . Since also  $l_{11}d_{01} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we obtain  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{11}$ . Using again  $gcd(d_{21}, l_{21}) = 1$ , we arrive at  $l_{21} \mid l_{11}$ . Lemma 2.5.9 then allows us to choose the free part  $Q^0$  of the grading as

$$Q^{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & l_{01} & \frac{l_{01}}{l_{21}} \\ 0 & l_{11} & 1 & 0 & \frac{l_{11}}{l_{21}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since the grading must be almost free, each four columns must generate  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  as a lattice, i.e., both  $l_{01}$  and  $l_{01}/l_{21}$  as well as  $l_{11}$  and  $l_{11}/l_{21}$  have to be coprime. We obtain  $l_{21} = l_{01} = l_{11}$ . By the requirements on the slopes in Lemma 2.5.4, we have  $d_{11} < 0$ . Now, conditions (a) and (b) in Lemma 2.5.8 provide us with

$$-d_{11} \mid n(l_{21}-3), \quad -d_{11} \mid n(l_{21}+1).$$

Then  $-d_{11}$  also divides the difference of the right hand sides, i.e.,  $-d_{11} \mid 4n$ . In particular,  $0 < -d_{11} \leq 4n$ . Applying condition (j) of Lemma 2.5.8, i.e.,  $-d_{11} \mid nl_{21} - n$ , we conclude

$$0 < -d_{11} \le nl_{21} - n \implies -4n \le d_{11} < -nl_{21} \le d_{11} - n \implies 4 > l_{21} \ge -\frac{d_{11}}{n} + 1 > 1.$$

**Lemma 2.5.15**  $(A_2B_2)$ . Consider in Lemma 2.5.7 case  $A_2B_2$ , i.e.,  $l_{01}$ ,  $l_{02}$ ,  $l_{21}$ ,  $\geq 2$ and  $l_{11} = l_{12} = 1$ . If X is n-Gorenstein, then there are only finitely many possibilities for the matrix P of Lemma 2.5.4. More precisely, we obtain the following bounds

$$2 \leq l_{01} = l_{02} = l_{21} \leq 2n, \quad 0 > d_{11} \geq -n.$$

*Proof.* Note that by Lemma 2.5.4, we have  $0 \le d_{12} < l_{12} = 1$ , i.e.,  $d_{12} = 0$ , and the condition on the slopes gives  $0 > d_{11}$ . Also, both  $l_{02}$  and  $d_{02}$  as well as  $l_{01}$  and  $d_{01}$  must be coprime. Using the description of  $d_{0i}$  obtained in Lemma 2.5.4, we have

$$d_{01} = -\frac{d_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}, \qquad d_{02} = l_{02}(-d_{11}) - \frac{d_{21}l_{02}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Since  $d_{02} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we must have  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{02}$  and the condition  $gcd(d_{21}, l_{21}) = 1$  then delivers  $l_{21} \mid l_{02}$ . Similarly,  $l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{01}$  implies  $l_{21} \mid l_{01}$ . Moreover, assume  $l_{02} \nmid l_{21}$  or  $l_{01} \nmid l_{21}$ . Then there is a prime number  $p \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$  or a prime number  $p' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$  such that

$$p \mid l_{02}$$
 and  $p \mid \frac{d_{21}l_{02}}{l_{21}}$  or  $p' \mid l_{01}$  and  $p' \mid \frac{d_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}}$ 

which means  $gcd(l_{02}, d_{02}) \ge p > 1$  or  $gcd(l_{01}, d_{01}) \ge p' > 1$ , a contradiction. We obtain  $l_{02} \mid l_{21} \mid l_{02}$  and  $l_{01} \mid l_{21} \mid l_{01}$  and therefore  $l_{01} = l_{21} = l_{02}$ . Moreover, since X is n-Gorenstein, we have

$$2 \leq (-d_{11})l_{01}l_{21} = (-d_{11})l_{01}^2 \leq n(l_{21}+l_{01}) = 2nl_{01}$$

by condition (a) of Lemma 2.5.8. In particular, we obtain  $l_{01} = l_{02} = l_{21} \leq 2n$ and  $0 < -d_{11} \leq n$ . We conclude that all free parameters in Lemma 2.5.4 are bounded.

**Lemma 2.5.16**  $(A_2B_3)$ . Consider in Lemma 2.5.7 case  $A_2B_3$ , i.e.,  $l_{01} \ge 2$ ,  $l_{02} = 2$ ,  $l_{11} = 2$ ,  $l_{12} = 1$  and  $l_{21} \ge 2$ . If X is n-Gorenstein, then there are only finitely many possibilities for the matrix P of Lemma 2.5.4. More precisely, we obtain the following bounds

$$l_{01} = 2,$$
  $l_{21} = 2,$   $0 > d_{11} \ge -n,$   $d_{12} = 0,$   $d_{21} = 1.$ 

*Proof.* Note that by Lemma 2.5.4, we have  $0 \le d_{12} < l_{12} = 1$ , i.e.,  $d_{12} = 0$ , and the condition on the slopes gives  $0 > d_{11}$ . Lemma 2.5.12 provides us with  $l_{21} = 2$ . Thus, by Lemma 2.5.4, we have  $d_{21} = 1$ . Moreover, using again Lemma 2.5.4, we have

$$gcd(l_{01}, d_{01}) = 1, \quad d_{01} = -\frac{d_{21}l_{01}}{l_{21}} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Therefore,  $2 = l_{21} \mid d_{21}l_{01}$  implies  $2 \mid l_{01}$ . Since  $l_{01} \geq 2$ , this means  $2 = l_{01}$ . Moreover, since X is n-Gorenstein, we have  $0 < -d_{11} \mid n$  by condition (j) of Lemma 2.5.8. In particular,  $0 > d_{11} \geq -n$ .

**Lemma 2.5.17.** In the situation of Lemma 2.5.7, cases  $A_3B_1$ ,  $A_3B_2$  and  $A_3B_3$  are not possible.

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.5.12, in all three cases, we have  $l_{21} = 2$  and, using Lemma 2.5.4,  $d_{01} = -2$ . This is a contradiction to  $gcd(d_{01}, l_{01}) = 1$ .

Proof of Theorem 2.5.1. By Theorem 1.5.4, each  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface X can be obtained as X = X(P, A) where the matrices P and A are as in Lemma 2.5.4; compare Construction 1.5.2. Since X is a del Pezzo surface, Lemma 2.5.7 provides us with a finite list of cases  $A_i B_j$  where  $i, j \in \{1, \ldots, 20\}$ . Lemma 2.5.12 then reduces this list to the cases  $A_i B_j$  with  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

Using the bounds obtained in Lemma 2.5.10 and neglecting matrices not satisfying the requirements of Lemma 2.5.4, in case  $A_1B_1$ , the only possible *P*-matrices are

$$P_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, P_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$P_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -5 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In a similar manner, in case  $A_1B_2$ , using the bounds given in Lemma 2.5.11, only the following *P*-matrices are possible:

$$\begin{split} P_4 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_5 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \\ P_6 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_7 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ P_8 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -5 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ -1 & -5 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & -4 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_9 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -5 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ -1 & -5 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \\ P_{10} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_{11} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -4 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ -1 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{split}$$

Using again Lemma 2.5.4 in conjunction with Lemma 2.5.13, no valid *P*-matrix can be obtained in case  $A_1B_3$ . Moreover, making use of Lemmas 2.5.14 and 2.5.4, case  $A_2B_1$  provides us with

$$\begin{split} P_{12} &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_{13} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ P_{14} &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_{15} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \\ P_{16} &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 2 & -5 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_{17} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{split}$$

Combining Lemma 2.5.4 with Lemma 2.5.15 or 2.5.16, we see that case  $A_2B_3$  does not yield valid *P*-matrices whereas we obtain from case  $A_2B_2$  the *P*-matrices

$$P_{18} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, P_{19} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$P_{20} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 5 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By Lemma 2.5.17, the cases  $A_3B_j$  do not produce any valid *P*-matrix. We now remove isomorphic  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces. In our case, Proposition 1.5.8 tells us that  $\mathbb{K}^*$ surfaces  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  with *P*-matrices  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are isomorphic if and only if  $P_2 =$   $SP_1U$  with admissible matrices  $S \in GL(3, \mathbb{Z})$  and  $U \in GL(5, \mathbb{Z})$ . The two invertible matrices

$$S := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad U := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

are admissible for all *P*-matrices  $P_i$  with i > 12. Hence, each  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface  $X(P_i, A)$  with i > 12 is isomorphic to a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface  $X(P_j, A)$  with  $1 \le j \le 12$  since

$$\begin{array}{rcrcrcrc} P_{13} &=& SP_4U, & P_{14} &=& SP_5U, & P_{15} &=& SP_6U, \\ P_{16} &=& SP_7U, & P_{17} &=& SP_{10}U, & P_{18} &=& SP_1U, \\ P_{19} &=& SP_2U, & P_{20} &=& SP_3U. \end{array}$$

The remaining data shown in the first table of the theorem are applications of Algorithms 2.1.24, 2.3.21, 2.3.45, 2.3.24, 2.3.48 and 2.3.41. We come to the property of being almost-homogeneous. An application of Algorithm 2.4.2 shows that only in cases (5), (8) and (12) there are horizontal Demazure *P*-roots, namely

$$\begin{array}{ll} \left((-1,-2,3),2,1,(1,1,1))\right), & \left((0,-4,5),2,0,(1,1,1)\right)\right), \\ & \left((0,1,-2),2,0,(2,2,1)\right)\right). \end{array}$$

By [6, Thm. 6.1], the existence of a horizontal Demazure *P*-root is equivalent to the surface being almost homogeneous. The statement about the log-terminal property is Remark 2.5.6. For the graphs of exceptional curves, we used Algorithm 2.4.8 to determine the minimal resolution  $X' \to X$  of each surface X of the previous table. Algorithm 2.3.27 then delivers the respective graphs of exceptional curves  $G_{X'}$ ; gray vertices stand for negative curves, white ones for nonnegative curves  $V(X'; T_i)$ .





The subgraph of (-k)-curves,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$ , then yields the graphs listed in the theorem. The needed self-intersection numbers are obtained using Algorithm 2.3.48; we write  $d_i := V(X'; T_i)^2$ .

case $d_1$	$d_2$	$d_3$	$d_4$	$d_5$	$d_6$	$d_7$	$d_8$	$d_9$	$d_{10}$	$d_{11}$	$d_{12}$	$d_{13}$	$d_{14}$	$d_{15}$	$d_{16}$
(1) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	$^{-4}$	-2	$^{-2}$	$^{-2}$	-2	-2	-2				
(2) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-3	$^{-3}$	-2	-3	-2	-3	-2	-2	-2		
(3) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	$^{-4}$	$^{-3}$	$^{-4}$	-2	-2	-2	-3	-2	-2	-2
(4) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	-3	-2	-2	-3	-2	-3	-2			
$(5) \ge 0$	-1	$\geq 0$	-1	$\geq 0$	-2	-3	-2	-2	-2	-2					
(6) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	$^{-3}$	$^{-2}$	$^{-3}$	-2	-2	-2	-2			
(7) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	$^{-3}$	$^{-3}$	$^{-2}$	-2	-2	-2	-3	-2	-4	
(8) -4	-1	-4	-1	$\geq 0$	-2	-2	-5	$^{-2}$	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	
(9) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	-2	$^{-2}$	$^{-2}$	-3	-2	-2	-3	-3	-2	
(10) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-3	$^{-3}$	-2	$^{-4}$	-2	-2	-2	$^{-4}$	-2	-2	-2
(11) -1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-3	-2	-4	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	-4	-2
(12) -1	$\geq 0$	-1	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-2	$^{-2}$	$^{-2}$	$^{-2}$							

For case (8), we computed a not necessarily minimal resolution  $X' \to X$ . The graph  $G_{X'}$  and the self-intersection numbers  $d_i := V(X'; T_i)^2$  are



We apply the steps of Algorithm 2.4.8 with r = 5 formally to obtain the graph of exceptional curves of the minimal resolution. Since  $d_9 = -1$ , we contract  $V(X'; T_9)$ , where we write again X' for the contracted surface. This means we remove the corresponding vertex and edges and increase the self-intersection number of  $V(X'; T_1)$ ,  $V(X'; T_3)$  and  $V(X'; T_{15})$  by one. Iterating this procedure, we contract  $V(X'; T_i)$  with i = 9, 15, 14, 7, 17 and obtain the graph and intersection numbers shown above by shifting the indices of the remaining variables accordingly.

**Remark 2.5.18.** Using the same methods, Theorem 2.5.1 can easily be expanded to higher Gorenstein index.

# CHAPTER 3

# Computing the Mori chamber decomposition

Given an action of a connected reductive linear algebraic group H on an algebraic variety X, Mumford [83] constructed good H-sets  $X^{ss}(\mathcal{L}) \subseteq X$  which depend on the choice of an ample, H-linearized line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on X. In general, there are several distinct quotients and this variation of GIT-quotients is described by the GIT-fan. See the work of Dolgachev, Hu [35] and Thaddeus [97] for ample bundles on a projective variety and Arzhantsev, Berchtold, Hausen [7, 18] for the affine case. Based on [18], we provide in this chapter an algorithm to compute the GIT-fan of torus actions on affine varieties. In Mumford's sense [83], it describes the possible linearizations of the trivial bundle. Note that the torus-case is essential as more general group actions can be reduced to it [7]. An import special case is the Mori chamber decomposition of a Mori dream space.

The structure of this chapter is as follows. In Section 1, we present algorithms to compute  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces, i.e., faces corresponding to torus orbits that meet an affine variety. Not only is this the basis for the computation of the GIT-fan but it is also essential for computations with Mori dream spaces, see Chapter 2. Section 2 is concerned with the computation of GIT-cones, the GIT-fan and the Mori chamber decomposition. The correspondence of the GIT-fan to qp-maximal good *H*-sets has been widened to the class of (H, 2)-maximal subsets in [51, 5]. In Section 3, we recall the correspondence and present a direct algorithm for their computation.

Most parts of Sections 1 and 2 (as well as part of this introduction) have been published in the author's paper *Computing the GIT-fan*, see [71]. The algorithms of this chapter have been implemented in Maple/convex [70, 54] and also in joint work with J. Böhm and Y. Ren in Singular [31].

## 1. Computing $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces

Let X be a Mori dream space with Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/\mathfrak{a}$  where  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is an ideal. Then the  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces of X in the sense of Section 3 of Chapter 1 are precisely the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces to be defined in Definition 3.1.1. In this section, we treat their computational aspects. Most of this section has appeared in [71, Sec. 2 and 3].

We will work with the following description of the toric orbits of  $\mathbb{K}^r$  in terms of faces of the orthant  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$ : the standard torus  $\mathbb{T}^r := (\mathbb{K}^*)^r$  acts via

$$\mathbb{T}^r \times \mathbb{K}^r \to \mathbb{K}^r, \qquad t \cdot x = (t_1 x_1, \dots, t_r x_r).$$

Given a face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$ , define the *reduction* of an *r*-tuple *z* of, e.g., numbers along  $\gamma_0$  as

$$z_{\gamma_0} := (z'_1, \dots, z'_r), \qquad z'_i := \begin{cases} z_i, & e_i \in \gamma_0, \\ 0, & e_i \notin \gamma_0, \end{cases}$$

where  $e_1, \ldots, e_r \in \mathbb{Q}^r$  denote the canonical basis vectors. Then, one has a bijection

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faces of 
$$\gamma \} \leftrightarrow \{ \mathbb{T}^r \text{-orbits} \}, \qquad \gamma_0 \mapsto \mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0} := \{ t_{\gamma_0}; t \in \mathbb{T}^r \}.$$

Note that in the notation of [42],  $\mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}$  is the  $\mathbb{T}^r$ -orbit through the distinguished point corresponding to the dual face  $\gamma_0^* := \gamma^{\perp} \cap \gamma^{\vee} \preceq \gamma^{\vee}$ .

**Definition 3.1.1.** Let  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be an ideal. A face  $\gamma_0$  of the positive orthant  $\gamma$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face if  $V(\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_0}^r; \mathfrak{a}) \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  be the zero set of an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Determining the torus orbits of  $\mathbb{K}^r$  intersecting X means calculating the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$ .



Given a face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  and a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , we write  $f_{\gamma_0} := f(T_{\gamma_0}) \in \mathbb{K}[T_{\gamma_0}]$  where  $T := (T_1, \ldots, T_r)$ , i.e., we replace each  $T_i$  with zero if  $e_i \notin \gamma_0$ . Set  $\mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0} := \langle f_{\gamma_0}; f \in \mathfrak{a} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{\gamma_0}]$ . A direct  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face test is the following, based on a radical membership problem. This leads to a Gröbner based way to decide whether a given  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face.

Algorithm 3.1.2 (a-face verification I). *Input:* a face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$  and an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

• Return false if  $\prod_{e_i \in \gamma_0} T_i \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0}}$  and return true otherwise.

*Output:* true if  $\gamma_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face and false otherwise.

**Remark 3.1.3.** The radical membership test in Algorithm 3.1.2 can be replaced by a saturation: a face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face if and only if  $1 \notin \mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0} : (T_1 \cdots T_r)^{\infty}$ .

The main aim of this section is to speed up this direct approach by dividing out all possible torus symmetry. This is done in Algorithm 3.1.6. Further possible improvements are discussed at the end of the section.

First, consider any torus  $\mathbb{T}$  and a monomial-free ideal  $\mathfrak{c} \subseteq \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{T})$ . Let  $H \subseteq \mathbb{T}$  be the maximal subtorus leaving  $V(\mathbb{T}; \mathfrak{c})$  invariant; compare Algorithm 2.1.29 and [5, Con. III.2.4.2]. Denote by  $\pi: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{T}/H$  the quotient map. Note that  $\mathbb{T}/H$  is again a torus. To describe  $\pi$  explicitly, we use the correspondence between integral matrices and homomorphisms of algebraic tori: every  $n \times k$  matrix A defines a homomorphism  $\alpha: \mathbb{T}^k \to \mathbb{T}^n$  by sending  $t \in \mathbb{T}^k$  to  $(t^{A_{1*}}, \ldots, t^{A_{n*}}) \in \mathbb{T}^n$  where the  $A_{i*}$  are the rows of A.

**Remark 3.1.4.** Let  $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{T}^k$  and  $\mathbb{T}/H = \mathbb{T}^n$ . The map  $\pi : \mathbb{T}^k \to \mathbb{T}^n$  is given by any  $n \times k$  matrix P of full rank satisfying

$$\ker(P) = \bigcap_{g \in \mathfrak{c}} \ker(P_g),$$

where to  $g = a_0 T^{\nu_0} + \ldots + a_m T^{\nu_m} \in \mathfrak{c}$  we assign the  $m \times k$  matrix  $P_g$  with rows  $\nu_1 - \nu_0, \ldots, \nu_m - \nu_0$ .

**Remark 3.1.5.** Let  $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{T}^k$ . Fix a generating set  $G := (g_1, \ldots, g_l)$  of the ideal  $\mathfrak{c} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_k^{\pm 1}]$ . Let  $P_G$  be the stack matrix, i.e., the vertical concatenation, of  $P_{g_1}, \ldots, P_{g_l}$ . Compute the Hermite normal form  $D = U \cdot P_G$  with an invertible integral matrix U. Choose P as the matrix consisting of the upper non-zero rows of D. Then P describes  $\pi \colon \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{T}/H$ .

*Proof.* Clearly, P is of full rank. Since the exponent vectors of each  $g \in \mathfrak{c}$  are linear combinations of the exponent vectors of  $g_1, \ldots, g_l$ , we have

$$\ker(P) = \ker(P_G) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{l} \ker(P_{g_i}) = \bigcap_{g \in \mathfrak{c}} \ker(P_g).$$

A push forward of  $g \in \mathfrak{c}$  under  $\pi$  is a  $h \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{T}/H)$  satisfying  $\pi^* h = T^{\mu}g$  for some monomial  $T^{\mu}$ . Suitably scaling push forwards by a monomial, we obtain the  $\star$ -push forward of Algorithm 2.2.13 on page 43. We define

$$\pi_{\star} \mathfrak{c} := \langle \pi_{\star} g; g \in \mathfrak{c} \rangle \subseteq \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{T}/H).$$

We now specialize to the case of  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face-verification. Given  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$ , let  $H(\gamma_0) \subseteq \mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}$  be the maximal subgroup leaving  $V(\mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}; \mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0})$  invariant. Our approach reduces the dimension of the problem by using

$$V(\mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}; \mathfrak{a}) \neq \emptyset \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad V\left(\mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}/H(\gamma_0); \pi_\star \mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0}\right) \neq \emptyset.$$

**Algorithm 3.1.6** (a-face verification II). *Input:* an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} = \langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and a face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$ . Set  $g_i := (f_i)_{\gamma_0}$  and  $G := (g_1, \ldots, g_s)$ .

- Compute with Remark 3.1.5 a matrix P representing  $\pi: \mathbb{T}^r \to \mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}/H(\gamma_0)$ .
- Apply Algorithm 2.2.13 to P to obtain  $\pi_{\star}G := (\pi_{\star}g_1, \ldots, \pi_{\star}g_s)$ .
- Test whether  $T_1 \cdots T_n \in \sqrt{\langle \pi_\star G \rangle} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_n]$ . Return false if the test was successful. Return true otherwise.

*Output:* true if  $\gamma_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face and false otherwise.

*Proof.* The map  $\pi$  is a good quotient for the  $H(\gamma_0)$ -action on  $\mathbb{T}^r_{\gamma_0}$ . Consequently, we have

$$\pi\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{s} V\left(\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_{0}}^{r}; g_{i}\right)\right) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{s} \pi\left(V\left(\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_{0}}^{r}; g_{i}\right)\right) = V\left(\mathbb{T}^{n}; \pi_{\star}g_{1}, \dots, \pi_{\star}g_{s}\right)$$

by standard properties of good quotients [73, p. 96]. This shows that  $V(\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_0}^r; \mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0}) \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $V(\mathbb{T}^n; \pi_* G)) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Remark 3.1.7.** If the total number of terms occurring among the generators is small as compared to the number of variables in the sense that  $P = P_G$  in the first line of Algorithm 3.1.6, then we might speed up the algorithm using linear algebra as follows. Each term  $\pi_{\star}g_i$  is linear by construction. Solve the linear system of equations  $\pi_{\star}G = 0$ . Then  $\gamma_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face if and only if there is a solution in  $\mathbb{T}^n$ .

**Remark 3.1.8.** The efficiency of Algorithm 3.1.6 depends on the algorithms used for both Gröbner bases and Smith normal forms. An implementation using the respective built in functions of Maple gave the following timings.

	Algorithm 3.1.2	Algorithm $3.1.6$ with $3.1.9(ii)$
$\mathfrak{a}$ -faces of $\mathfrak{a}_{2,5}$	$21\mathrm{s}$	$10\mathrm{s}$
$\mathfrak{a}$ -faces of $\mathfrak{a}_{2,6}$	$16\mathrm{min}$	$76\mathrm{s}$
$\mathfrak{a}$ -faces of $\mathfrak{a}_{2,7}$	> 3 days	$24.8\mathrm{h}$
$\mathfrak{a}$ -faces of $\mathfrak{a}_{2,3,3}$	$4.03\mathrm{h}$	44.1 min

Here,  $\mathfrak{a}_{2,n}$  stands for the respective Plücker ideal and  $\mathfrak{a}_{2,3,3}$  denotes the defining ideal of the Cox ring of the space X(2,3,3) of complete rank two collineations [58, Thm. 1].

Let us briefly recall the connection to tropical geometry, compare [22, 78]. As seen in Section 2 of Chapter 2, we assign to a monomial-free ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  its tropical variety

$$\operatorname{trop}(\mathfrak{a}) := \bigcap_{f \in \mathfrak{a}} \operatorname{trop}(f) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$$

where  $\operatorname{trop}(f)$  is the support of the codimension one skeleton of the normal fan of the Newton polytope of f. By [96],

(2) 
$$\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma \text{ is an } \mathfrak{a}\text{-face} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \operatorname{trop}(\mathfrak{a}) \cap (\gamma_0^*)^\circ \neq \emptyset.$$

Fixing a fan structure on  $trop(\mathfrak{a})$ , this can be turned into a computable criterion. Note however that  $trop(\mathfrak{a})$  usually carries more information than needed to determine the  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces and is in general harder to compute (see [22] for an algorithm).

**Remark 3.1.9.** To compute all *a*-faces, the number of calls to Algorithm 3.1.6 can be reduced by any of the following ideas.

- (i) The tropical prevariety of a generating set  $(f_1, \ldots, f_s)$  of  $\mathfrak{a}$  is the coarsest common refinement  $\prod_i \operatorname{trop}(f_i)$ . Then each face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$  whose dual face  $\gamma_0^*$  does not satisfy equation (2) with respect to  $\prod_i \operatorname{trop}(f_i)$  is not an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face.
- (ii) A face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  is not an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face if and only if there is  $f \in \mathfrak{a}$  such that exactly one vertex of the Newton polytope of f lies in  $\gamma_0$ . Choosing any subset of  $\mathfrak{a}$ , we may identify some faces  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  that are no  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces.
- (iii) Filter faces using the Veronese embedding: Let  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  be such that there are (classically) homogeneous generators  $g_1, \ldots, g_s$  of  $\mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0}$  of degree  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . The images of the  $g_i$  under

$$\mathbb{K}[T_{\gamma_0}] \to \mathbb{K}[S_\mu; \ \mu_1 + \ldots + \mu_r = d] , \qquad T^\mu \mapsto S_\mu$$

give a linear system of equations with coefficient matrix A. If a Gauss-Jordan normal form of A contains a row with exactly one non-zero entry,  $\gamma_0$  is no  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face. Adding redundant generators to  $\mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0}$  refines this procedure.

(iv) Let  $\sigma \in S_r$  be a permutation of (the indices of) the variables  $T_1, \ldots, T_r$ such that for each  $f \in \mathfrak{a}$  there is  $g_f \in \mathfrak{a}$  with  $f \circ \sigma = g_f$ . Then

$$\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma \ \mathfrak{a}$$
-face  $\Leftrightarrow \sigma(\gamma_0) := \operatorname{cone}(e_{\sigma(i)}; \ e_i \in \gamma_0) \ \mathfrak{a}$ -face.

*Proof.* We prove statements (ii) and (iv). For (ii), we directly generalize the proof of [19, Prop. 9.3]: Define  $\nu(f, \gamma_0)$  to be the number of vertices of the Newton polytope of f that lie in the given face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$ . Then  $\gamma_0$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face if and only if there is  $x \in \mathbb{K}^r$  such that

$$x_i \neq 0 \iff e_i \in \gamma_0$$
,  $f(x) = f_{\gamma_0}(x) = 0$  for all  $f \in \mathfrak{a}$ .

Each polynomial  $f_{\gamma_0}$  is a sum of  $\nu(f, \gamma_0)$  monomials. Clearly, if there is  $f \in \mathfrak{a}$  such that  $\nu(f, \gamma_0) = 1$  no such x can exists, i.e.,  $\gamma_0$  is not an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face. Conversely, assume  $\gamma_0$  is not an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face. By definition

$$\prod_{e_i \in \gamma_0} T_i^n = \sum_j (h_j)_{\gamma_0} (f_j)_{\gamma_0} = \left(\sum_j h_j f_j\right)_{\gamma_0} =: f_{\gamma_0} \in \mathfrak{a}_{\gamma_0}$$

with a  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  and polynomials  $h_j \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Since  $f \in \mathfrak{a}$  and  $\nu(f, \gamma_0) = 1$  the proof is complete. For (iv), we only prove one direction. Assume  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face. Then there is  $x \in \mathbb{K}^r$  with  $f_i(x) = 0$  for all  $f \in \mathfrak{a}$  and  $x_i \neq 0$  if and only if  $e_i \in \gamma_0$ . Choose  $y := (x_{\sigma(1)}, \ldots, x_{\sigma(r)}) \in \mathbb{K}^r$ . Then  $y_i \neq 0$  if and only if  $e_i \in \sigma(\gamma_0)$  and, by assumption, we have

$$f(y) = f \circ \sigma(x) = g_f(x) = 0$$
 for all  $f \in \mathfrak{a}$ .

In the fourth statement of Remark 3.1.9, a special case are permutations  $\sigma \in S_r$  that leave a fixed generating set of  $\mathfrak{a}$  invariant. A naive approach for their detection

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is to test all r! permutations for this property. Instead, we sketch an algorithm that uses graph theory.

Algorithm 3.1.10 (Generator symmetries). Input:  $f_1, \ldots, f_s \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Let  $\nu_1^{(i)}, \ldots, \nu_{m_i}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^r$  and  $c_1^{(i)}, \ldots, c_{m_i}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{K}^*$  be such that the  $c_j^{(i)} T^{\nu_j^{(i)}}$  are the non-zero monomials of  $f_i$ .

- Let G = (V, E) be the simple, directed, finite, bipartite graph with its set of vertices V and its set of edges E defined by
  - $V := \{1, T_1, \dots, T_r\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{s} \{\nu_1^{(i)}, \dots, \nu_{m_i}^{(i)}\},\$  $\left(\nu_{j}^{(i)},T_{k}\right)\in E\quad:\Leftrightarrow\quad\left(\nu_{j}^{(i)}\right)_{k}>0,$  $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_j^{(i)}, 1 \end{pmatrix} \in E \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad \nu_j^{(i)} = (0, \dots, 0), \\ \begin{pmatrix} \nu_j^{(i)}, \nu_k^{(i)} \end{pmatrix} \in E \quad \text{for all } i \neq j.$
- Assign to ν<sub>j</sub><sup>(i)</sup> ∈ V the color c<sub>j</sub><sup>(i)</sup> ∈ K\*, to edges of type (•, T<sub>k</sub>) the k-th entry of ν<sub>j</sub><sup>(i)</sup>, to edges of type (•, 1) the color 0 ∈ K and to edges of the third type, we assign an unused color c<sub>i</sub> ∈ K\*.
  Compute the automorphism group Aut(G) ≤ S<sub>n</sub> with n := |V|, e.g.,
- using [67, 81].
- Assume  $T_1, \ldots, T_r$  are the first r vertices in V. Return the set  $\{\sigma \in$  $S_r; (\sigma, \omega) \in \operatorname{Aut}(G) \}.$

*Output:* permutations  $\sigma \in S_r$  such that, for all *i*, we have  $f_i \circ \sigma = f_{\tau(i)}$  with a bijection  $\tau \in \text{Sym}(\{1, \ldots, s\})$ .

*Proof.* Note that we have  $\operatorname{Aut}(G) \subseteq S_r \times S_{n-r}$  where n is the number of vertices. Each  $(\sigma, \tau) \in \operatorname{Aut}(G)$  respects colors of edges and vertices. By construction, this means that each permutation  $\sigma(T)$  of  $T = (T_1, \ldots, T_r)$  respects the coefficients and monomials of each  $f_i$ , i.e., induces a permutation of  $f_1, \ldots, f_s$ . 

Note that in order to use [67, 81] one first must translate G to an unweighted colored graph G' with  $\operatorname{Aut}(G') \cong \operatorname{Aut}(G)$  as explained in, e.g., [80]. We sketch the construction in the following example.

**Example 3.1.11.** Consider the ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$  that is generated by the two polynomials

$$f_1 := T_1T_2 - T_3T_4 + T_1T_5^2, \qquad f_2 := T_1T_4 - T_2T_3 + T_1T_5^2$$

where we order the exponents  $\nu_j^{(i)}$  from left to right. Applying the first and second step of Algorithm 3.1.10, we obtain the colored, weighted, bipartite, directed, simple graph G = (V, E)



where we left out the edges of type  $(\nu_j^{(i)}, \nu_k^{(i)})$  and the colors are drawn next to the vertices and edges (the shaded areas are only for highlighting purposes). We now transform G into a directed, colored, unweighted graph G' as explained in [80]. The removal of the weights (i.e., 1 and 2) of edges is achieved by adding a "layer" of vertices for each occurring weight.



Edges within the shaded areas and the colors of the vertices are not drawn. Assume  $T_1, \ldots, T_5$  are the first five vertices. A direct inspection of G' shows that there is an automorphism (we show only the relevant part  $\sigma$ )

 $(\sigma, \tau) := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & \dots \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 5 & \dots \end{bmatrix} \in \operatorname{Aut}(G'),$ 

which, interpreted as element of  $S_5$ , interchanges the variables  $T_2$  and  $T_5$ . Then  $f_1 \circ \sigma = f_2$ . In particular, by Remark 3.1.9,  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^5$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face if and only if  $\sigma(\gamma_0)$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face.

# 2. Computing the GIT-fan

In this section, we develop algorithms for the computation of GIT-cones and the GIT-fan. First, we recall the necessary concepts from [18, 5]. Aspects of efficiency are discussed at the end of this section. Most of this section has been published in [71, Sec. 2 and 4].

**Remark 3.2.1.** Let G be a connected reductive algebraic group and X an irreducible, factorial, affine G-variety. Similar to the case of a quasitorus, one can define GIT-cones in  $M_{\mathbb{Q}} := \mathbb{X}(G) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  and the collection of GIT-cones  $\Lambda(X, G)$  is a fan that is in bijection with the qp-maximal good G-sets of X, see Arzhantsev and Hausen [7, Sec. 3, Thm. 3.2]. Consider the good quotient

$$\pi: X \to Y, \qquad Y := X/\!\!/ G^s$$

by the maximal connected semisimple subgroup  $G^s \subseteq G$ . Then  $T := G/G^s$  is a torus, we may identify  $\mathbb{X}(G) = \mathbb{X}(T)$  and  $X^{ss}(w) = \pi^{-1}(Y^{ss}(w))$  holds for all  $w \in M_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , see [7, Lem. 3.3]. Moreover, there are methods to treat not necessarily affine *G*-varieties using torus actions on an affine variety, compare [7, Sec. 7].

Thus, by Remark 3.2.1, the case of torus actions on affine varieties is of special interest. Consider an affine variety  $X \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  where we assume that its defining ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is monomial-free and homogeneous with respect to a  $\mathbb{Z}^k$ -grading

$$q_i := \deg(T_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^k, \quad 1 \le i \le r.$$

Then the corresponding action of the torus  $H = \mathbb{T}^k$  on  $\mathbb{K}^r$  leaves the zero set  $X = V(\mathbb{K}^r; \mathfrak{a}) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  invariant. Let Q be the  $k \times r$  matrix with columns  $q_1, \ldots, q_r$ . We assume that the cone  $Q(\gamma) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^k$  is of dimension k where  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$ . A projected  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face is a cone  $Q(\gamma_0)$  with  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$  an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face. These are exactly the orbit cones in the sense of Section 1 in Chapter 1. Write  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{a}}$  for the set of all projected  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces.

**Definition 3.2.2.** The *GIT-chamber* of a vector  $w \in Q(\gamma) = \operatorname{cone}(q_1, \ldots, q_r) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^k$  is the convex, polyhedral cone

$$\lambda(w) := \bigcap_{\substack{\vartheta \in \Omega_{\mathfrak{a}}, \\ w \in \vartheta}} \vartheta \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^k.$$

The *GIT-fan* of the *H*-action on  $X = V(\mathbb{K}^r; \mathfrak{a})$  is the set  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q) = \{\lambda(w); w \in Q(\gamma)\}$  of all GIT-chambers.

As the name suggests,  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  is indeed a (quasi-)fan in  $\mathbb{Q}^k$  with  $Q(\gamma)$  as its support, see [5, Thm. III.1.2.8]. However, note that the cones of the GIT-fan need not be pointed in general, compare [5, Ex. III.1.2.12]. The set of *j*-dimensional cones of  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  will be denoted by  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)^{(j)}$ .

We turn to the computation of GIT-chambers. Let  $\Omega := \{Q(\gamma_0); \gamma_0 \leq \gamma\}$  be the set of projected faces of  $\gamma$  and let  $\Omega^{(j)} \subseteq \Omega$  be the subset of *j*-dimensional cones. Similarly,  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{a}}^{(j)} \subseteq \Omega_{\mathfrak{a}}$  is the subset of *j*-dimensional projected  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces. We have

 $\Omega^{(k)}_{\mathfrak{a}} \subseteq \Omega^{(k)}_{0} := \left\{ \vartheta \in \Omega^{(k)}; \text{ all facets of } \vartheta \text{ are in } \Omega^{(k-1)}_{\mathfrak{a}} \right\} \subseteq \Omega^{(k)}$ 

where the first containment is due to the fact that faces of projected  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces are again projected  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces, see [18, Cor. 2.4]. Given a vector w in the relative interior  $Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$ , set  $\Omega^{(k)}(w)$  for the collection of all  $\vartheta \in \Omega^{(k)}$  that contain w. The next algorithm determines the associated GIT-chamber  $\lambda = \lambda(w)$ .

**Remark 3.2.3.** (i) The set  $\Omega^{(j)}$  is computed directly by taking cones over suitable subsets of  $\{q_1, \ldots, q_r\}$ .

- (ii) The computation of  $\Omega^{(j)}(w)$  can be sped up via *point location* similar to [77], i.e., we only consider cones  $\vartheta \in \Omega^{(k)}$  with at least one generator lying on the same side as w of a random hyperplane subdividing  $Q(\gamma)$ .
- (iii) For an efficient computation of  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{a}}^{(j)}$ , one reduces the amount of  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face tests as follows. Check for any  $\vartheta \in \Omega^{(j)}$  if some  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$  with  $Q(\gamma_0) = \vartheta$  is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face. As soon as such a face has been found, all other faces projecting to  $\vartheta$  may be ignored in subsequent tests.

Algorithm 3.2.4 (GIT-chamber I). Input: a vector  $w \in Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$  and  $\Omega^{(k)}(w)$  as well as  $\Omega_{\alpha}^{(k-1)}$ .

- Let  $\lambda := \mathbb{Q}^k$ .
- For each  $\vartheta \in \Omega^{(k)}(w)$  do

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 if  $\vartheta \not\supseteq \lambda$  and all facets of  $\vartheta$  are in  $\Omega_a^{(k-1)}$  then redefine  $\lambda$  as  $\lambda \cap \vartheta$ .

*Output:* the GIT-chamber  $\lambda = \lambda(w)$  in  $\mathbb{Q}^k$ .

**Example 3.2.5.** The semiample cone computed in Example 2.3.16 is the GIT-chamber  $\lambda(w)$  with w = (0, 0, 1). It can be computed using only four orbit cones:



**Lemma 3.2.6.** Let  $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^k$  be a pure k-dimensional fan with convex support  $|\Sigma|$ and let  $\tau \in \Sigma$  be such that  $\tau \cap |\Sigma|^\circ \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $\tau$  is the intersection over all  $\sigma \in \Sigma^{(k)}$ satisfying  $\tau \preceq \sigma$ .

*Proof.* Choose  $\sigma \in \Sigma^{(k)}$  such that  $\tau \preceq \sigma$ . By [38, Thm. 1.11], we can write  $\tau = \eta_1 \cap \ldots \cap \eta_m$  with facets  $\eta_i \preceq \sigma$ . Since  $\tau^\circ \subseteq |\Sigma|^\circ$ , also  $\eta_i^\circ \subseteq |\Sigma|^\circ$  for all *i*. By convexity of  $|\Sigma|$ , for all *i*, there are cones  $\sigma_{\eta_i}, \sigma'_{\eta_i} \in \Sigma^{(k)}$  such that  $\sigma_{\eta_i} \cap \sigma'_{\eta_i} = \eta_i$ . Note that  $\tau \preceq \sigma_{\eta_i}$  and  $\tau \preceq \sigma'_{\eta_i}$ . Therefore

$$\tau = \bigcap_{i=1}^{m} (\sigma_{\eta_i} \cap \sigma'_{\eta_i}) \supseteq \bigcap_{\substack{\sigma \in \Sigma^{(k)}, \\ \tau \preceq \sigma}} \sigma \supseteq \tau.$$

**Lemma 3.2.7.** Let  $\lambda \in \Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)^{(k)}$  and  $\vartheta_0 \in \Omega_0^{(k)}$ . If  $\vartheta_0^\circ \cap \lambda^\circ \neq \emptyset$  then  $\lambda \subseteq \vartheta_0$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $\lambda \not\subseteq \vartheta_0$ . Choosing any  $w \in \lambda^{\circ} \setminus \vartheta_0$  and  $v \in \vartheta_0^{\circ} \cap \lambda^{\circ}$ , the cone cone $(v, w) \cap (\vartheta_0 \setminus \vartheta_0^{\circ})$  lies on some facet  $\eta_0 \preceq \vartheta_0$ . By construction,  $\eta_0^{\circ} \cap \lambda^{\circ} \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $\eta_0 \in \Omega_{\mathfrak{a}}^{(k-1)}$  holds,  $\lambda$  is not a GIT-chamber; a contradiction.

Proof of Algorithm 3.2.4. The algorithm terminates with a cone  $\lambda \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^k$  containing the given  $w \in Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$  and our task is to show that  $\lambda = \lambda(w)$  holds. For this we establish

$$\lambda = \bigcap_{w \in \vartheta \in \Omega_{a}^{(k)}} \vartheta = \bigcap_{w \in \vartheta \in \Omega_{a}^{(k)}} \vartheta = \lambda(w).$$

The first equality is due to the algorithm. The third one follows from Lemma 3.2.6. Moreover, in the middle one, the inclusion " $\subseteq$ " follows from  $\Omega_0^{(k)} \supseteq \Omega_{\mathfrak{a}}^{(k)}$ . Thus we are left with verifying " $\supseteq$ " of the middle equality.

First suppose that  $\lambda(w)$  is of full dimension. Then, for any  $\vartheta_0 \in \Omega_0^{(k)}$  with  $w \in \vartheta_0$ , we obtain  $\vartheta_0^\circ \cap \lambda(w)^\circ \neq \emptyset$ , because  $w \in \lambda(w)^\circ$  holds. Lemma 3.2.7 shows  $\lambda(w) \subseteq \vartheta_0$ . Thus, we obtain  $\lambda \supseteq \lambda(w)$ . The case of dim $(\lambda(w)) < k$  then follows from the observation that  $\lambda(w)$  is the intersection over all fulldimensional chambers  $\lambda(w')$ with  $w \in \lambda(w')$ , see Lemma 3.2.6.

Working with (k - 1)-dimensional projected  $\mathfrak{a}$ -faces in Algorithm 3.2.4 simplifies the necessary  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face tests compared to the following naive variant of the algorithm using k-dimensional ones.

Algorithm 3.2.8 (GIT-chamber II). Input: a vector  $w \in Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$  and  $\Omega^{(k)}(w)$ .

- Set  $\lambda := \mathbb{Q}^k$ .
- For each  $\vartheta \in \Omega^{(k)}(w)$  do

- if  $\vartheta \not\supseteq \lambda$  and there is an  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \gamma$  with  $Q(\gamma_0) = \vartheta$  then redefine  $\lambda$  as  $\lambda \cap \vartheta$ .

*Output:* the GIT-chamber  $\lambda = \lambda(w)$  in  $\mathbb{Q}^k$ .

The naive variant 3.2.8, in contrast, involves fewer convex geometric operations as 3.2.4 and thus can be more efficient if the latter ones are limiting the computation. See Remark 3.2.15 for a more concrete comparison of complexity aspects.

We turn to the GIT-fan. Given a full-dimensional cone  $\lambda \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^k$ , we denote by innerfacets( $\lambda$ ) the set of all facets of  $\lambda$  that intersect the relative interior  $Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$ . Moreover, for two sets A, B, we shortly write  $A \ominus B$  for  $(A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$ . The following algorithm computes the set of maximal cones of the GIT-fan  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$ .

Algorithm 3.2.9 (GIT-fan). Input: an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and an integral matrix  $Q = [q_1, \ldots, q_r]$  such that  $\mathfrak{a}$  does not contain a monomial and is homogeneous with respect to the grading  $q_i =: \deg(T_i)$ .

- Initialize  $\Lambda := \{\lambda_0\}$  with a random full-dimensional GIT-chamber  $\lambda_0$  using Algorithm 3.2.4 or 3.2.8.
- $\mathcal{F} := \text{innerfacets}(\lambda_0)$
- While there is  $\eta \in \mathcal{F}$ , do
  - use Algorithm 3.2.4 or 3.2.8 to compute the full-dimensional GITchamber  $\lambda' \notin \Lambda$  with  $\eta \preceq \lambda'$ .
  - Redefine  $\Lambda := \Lambda \cup \{\lambda'\}$  and  $\mathcal{F} := \mathcal{F} \ominus \text{innerfacets}(\lambda')$ .

*Output:* the collection  $\Lambda$  of maximal cones of the GIT-fan  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$ .

**Remark 3.2.10.** (i) In the first line of Algorithm 3.2.9,  $\lambda_0$  can be found by successively testing whether  $\lambda(w_0)$  is of full dimension where  $w_0 =$   $a_1q_1 + \ldots + a_rq_r$  with random  $a_i \in \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$ . Alternatively, if  $\lambda(w_0)$  is lowdimensional, one may iteratively redefine  $w_0$  as  $w_0 + \varepsilon \cdot v$  where  $v \in \lambda(w_0)^{\perp}$ is a normal vector for some supporting hyperplane,  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

(ii) In the first line in the loop in Algorithm 3.2.9, let  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  be the already found GIT-chamber with facet  $\eta$ . Then  $\lambda' = \lambda(w')$  can be calculated with Algorithm 3.2.4 where  $w' := w(\eta) - \varepsilon \cdot v$  for some  $w(\eta) \in \eta^{\circ}$  and  $v \in \lambda^{\vee} \cap \eta^{\perp}$  with a suitably small  $\varepsilon > 0$ . One possibly must reduce  $\varepsilon$ until  $\lambda(w') \cap \lambda = \eta$ .

Proof of Algorithm 3.2.9. Write  $|\Lambda|$  for the union over all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  and  $|\mathcal{F}|$  for the union over all  $\eta \in \mathcal{F}$ . Then, in each passage of the loop, a full-dimensional chamber of  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  is added to  $\Lambda$  and, after adapting,  $|\mathcal{F}| \cap Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$  is the boundary of  $|\Lambda| \cap Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$  with respect to  $Q(\gamma)^{\circ}$ . The set  $\mathcal{F}$  is empty if and only if  $|\Lambda|$  equals  $Q(\gamma)$ . This shows that the algorithm terminates with the collection of maximal cones of  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  as output.  $\Box$ 

We can directly use Algorithm 3.2.9 to compute the *Mori chamber decomposition* of a Mori dream space X, i.e., the GIT-fan of the action of the torus  $\operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[\operatorname{Cl}(X)^0]$ on  $\overline{X}$  where  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)^0$  is the free part of the class group. The following algorithm is in the notation of Section 2.

**Algorithm 3.2.11** (MDSchambers). *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}).$ 

• Return the output of Algorithm 3.2.9 called with parameters  $\langle G \rangle$  and  $Q^0$ .

*Output:* the Mori chamber decomposition of X.

**Example 3.2.12.** We continue Example 2.0.14, i.e., we have a variety X with the  $Cl(X) = \mathbb{Z}^3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -graded Cox ring

$$\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]/\langle f_1 \rangle, \qquad f_1 := T_1T_6 + T_2T_5 + T_3T_4 + T_7T_8$$

where the free parts of the degrees of the generators are given by the columns of the matrix

$$Q := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then Algorithm 3.2.11 returns the pure, three-dimensional fan  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  with 37 maximal cones by the following steps:



Note that Algorithm 3.2.9 traverses a spanning tree of the (implicitly given) dual graph of  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  with the maximal cones as its vertices; two vertices are connected by an edge if they share a common facet. Another traversal method for implicitly given graphs is reverse search by Avis and Fukuda [9]. By the following observation, it also can be applied to our problem.

**Proposition 3.2.13.** The GIT-fan  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  is the normal fan of a polyhedron. If  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^k \subseteq Q(\gamma)$  then  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)^{(k)}$  can be enumerated using reverse search.

*Proof.* The first statement is [3, Cor. 10.4]. The second claim follows from the first one and [41, Sec. 3].

If we allow  $\mathfrak{a}$  to contain monomials, the collection  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}, Q)$  is not necessarily a quasifan and even if it is, Proposition 3.2.13 may not be valid any more.

**Example 3.2.14.** Consider the monomial ideal  $\mathfrak{a} := \langle T_1T_6, T_2T_4, T_3T_5 \rangle$  in the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the  $\mathbb{Z}^3$ -grading with degree matrix

$$Q := [q_1, \dots, q_6] := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{q_3}_{q_1} q_5$$

Though  $\mathfrak{a}$  contains monomials, using Algorithm 3.2.9 with input  $\mathfrak{a}$  and Q returns the fan drawn on the right. It is not the normal fan of a polyhedron, see [30].

**Remark 3.2.15.** We compare the usage of Algorithm 3.2.4 (in 3.2.9) to that of 3.2.8. As a test, we compute the GIT-fans of the maximal torus action on the (affine cones over the) Grassmannians G(2,5) and G(2,6), using our Maple/convex implementation [70]. The following table lists the total number of  $\mathfrak{a}$ -face tests and the total number of cones  $\vartheta$  entering the fourth line of Algorithms 3.2.4 and 3.2.8

	Algorithm 3.2.	9 with 3.2.4	Algorithm 3.2.9 with 3.2.8				
	$\sharp \mathfrak{a}\text{-}\mathrm{face}\text{-}\mathrm{tests}$	$\sharp \text{ cones } \vartheta$	$\sharp \ \mathfrak{a}\text{-face-tests}$	$\sharp \text{ cones } \vartheta$			
G(2,5)	300	21	469	20			
G(2, 6)	6574	50	21012	52			

Note that in Algorithm 3.2.4, the a-face tests concern faces of lower dimension than in Algorithm 3.2.8 and thus are even faster.

# **Remark 3.2.16.** (i) Intermediate storage of occurring cones and their intersections in Algorithms 3.2.4 and 3.2.8 saves time in further computations.

(ii) The traversal of the GIT-fan can take advantage of symmetries: Assume we know a subgroup  $G \leq S_r$  keeping the ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  invariant and each element of G induces a lattice isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}^k$ . Then in each step of Algorithm 3.2.9, we insert instead of  $\lambda'$  the orbit  $G \cdot \lambda'$  into  $\Lambda$  and adjust  $\mathcal{F}$  accordingly. See [65, Ch. 3.1] for a more thorough study of the traversal of symmetric fans.

To finish this section, we consider torus actions on the affine cone over the Grassmannian G(2, n) induced by a diagonal action on the Plücker coordinate space  $\mathbb{K}^r$ , where  $r = \binom{n}{2}$ . Such actions will be encoded by assigning to the variable  $T_i$  the *i*-th column  $q_i$  of a matrix  $Q = [q_1, \ldots, q_r]$ . Moreover, we write  $\mathfrak{a}_{2,n} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  for the Plücker ideal.

We compute both, the GIT-fan of the torus action on  $V(\mathbb{K}^r; \mathfrak{a}_{2,n})$  as well as the GIT fan of the ambient space  $\mathbb{K}^r$ . The latter coincides with the so-called *Gelfand Kapra*nov Zelevinsky decomposition GKZ(Q), i.e., the coarsest common refinement of all normal fans having their rays among the cones over the columns of Q and with support  $\operatorname{cone}(q_1, \ldots, q_r)$ . In general, the Gelfand Kapranov Zelevinsky decomposition is a refinement of the GIT-fan. See [28] for a toric background.

Below, the drawings show (projections of) the intersections of the respective fans with the standard simplex.

**Example 3.2.17.** (i) For n = 4, the ideal  $\mathfrak{a}_{2,4} = \langle T_1T_6 - T_2T_5 + T_3T_4 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  is homogeneous with respect to

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Using Algorithm 3.2.9, we obtain the four maximal GIT-chambers of  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}_{2,4}, Q)$ . The finer fan  $\operatorname{GKZ}(Q)$  has twelve maximal cones.

(ii) For n = 5, the ideal  $\mathfrak{a}_{2,5} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  is homogeneous with respect to



By Algorithm 3.2.9, there are twelve four-dimensional cones in  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}_{2,5}, Q)$  whereas GKZ(Q) contains 336 such cones.

(iii) For n = 6, the ideal  $\mathfrak{a}_{2,6} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{15}]$  is homogeneous with respect to

Q =	1 0 0 0	0 1 0 0	0 0 1 0	0 0 0 1	0 0 0 0			$     \begin{array}{c}       1 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       1 \\       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1     \end{array} $	0 1 1 0	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       1 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0     \end{array} $	0 1 0 0	0 0 1 1	0 0 1 0	0 0 0 1	.
	L Ő	Ő	Ő	0	1	Ő	Ő	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	

Using Algorithm 3.2.9, we obtain the 81 five-dimensional cones of the GIT-fan  $\Lambda(\mathfrak{a}_{2.6}, Q)$ . The fan  $\mathrm{GKZ}(Q)$  has 61920 such cones.

## **3.** Generalization to (H, 2)-maximal sets

We present a direct algorithm to characterize more general good H-sets defined in [51, 5]. First, we recall the required notions and correspondences from [51, 5] and then treat the computational aspects.

Let K be a finitely generated abelian group and consider an affine, irreducible, normal variety  $X := \operatorname{Spec} A$  with an integral, normal, K-graded, affine algebra A. Then the quasitorus  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K]$  acts on X. Write  $\Omega_X$  for the set of orbit cones. To a collection  $\Phi \subseteq \Omega_X$  we assign the a subset  $U(\Phi) \subseteq X$  and to an H-invariant subset  $U \subseteq X$  we assign a collection of orbit cones  $\Phi(U) \subseteq \Omega_X$  where

$$U(\Phi) := \{ x \in X; \text{ there is } \vartheta \in \Phi \text{ with } \vartheta \preceq \vartheta_x \} \subseteq X,$$
  
$$\Phi(U) := \{ \vartheta_x; x \in U \text{ and } H \cdot x \text{ closed in } U \} \subseteq \Omega_X.$$

Recall that given a good *H*-set  $U \subseteq X$  and an open subset  $U' \subseteq U$ , the inclusion  $U' \subseteq U$  is *H*-saturated if  $p^{-1}(p(U')) = U'$  with the good quotient  $p: U \to U/\!\!/ H$ .

**Definition 3.3.1.** We call a good *H*-set  $U \subseteq X$  a (H, 2)-maximal subset if the quotient space  $U/\!\!/H$  is an  $A_2$ -variety such that U is maximal with respect to *H*-saturated inclusion amidst all good *H*-sets with an  $A_2$ -variety as quotient space.

**Theorem 3.3.2.** See [5, Thm. III.1.4.4]. In the above situation, assume that X is H-factorial. We have mutually inverse, order-reversing bijections

$$\begin{cases} \begin{array}{c} maximal \ bunches \ of \\ orbit \ cones \ in \ \Omega_X \end{array} \end{cases} \longleftrightarrow \quad \{ (H, 2) \text{-}maximal \ subsets \ of \ X \ \} \\ \\ \Phi \qquad \mapsto \qquad U(\Phi), \\ \Phi(U) \qquad \leftarrow \qquad U. \end{cases}$$

Under these maps, the qp-maximal subsets of X correspond to the sets of semistable points  $U(\Phi(w)) = X^{ss}(w)$  where  $w \in \lambda^{\circ}$  with  $\lambda \in \Lambda(X, H)$ .

In particular, if we can compute all maximal bunches of orbit cones in  $\Omega_X$ , we also obtain (the information stored in) the GIT-fan. We now turn to their computation in the setting of Chapter 2, i.e., consider an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $\Phi = \{\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_s\}$  and GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ . Let  $\Omega$  be the set of all orbit cones.

**Definition 3.3.3.** The overlapping graph is the finite, undirected, simple graph  $G_{\Omega} = (V, E)$  with vertex set  $V = \Omega$  and set of edges  $E \subseteq V \times V$  given by

 $(\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2) \in E \qquad :\Leftrightarrow \qquad \vartheta_1^\circ \cap \vartheta_2^\circ \neq \emptyset.$ 

Recall that a *clique* of a finite, directed, simple graph G = (V, E) is a subset  $C \subseteq V$  such that its induced subgraph is complete. A clique is *maximal* if it is maximal with respect to containment.

Algorithm 3.3.4 (GRH2max). Input: a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

- Compute the collection  $\Omega = \{\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_m\}$  of orbit cones, i.e., the set of all  $Q^0(\gamma_0)$  where  $\gamma_0 \in F_{\mathfrak{F}}$ .
- Calculate the overlapping graph  $G_{\Omega} = (\Omega, E)$  by checking for each two orbit cones  $\vartheta_i, \vartheta_j \in \Omega$  whether  $\vartheta_i^{\circ} \cap \vartheta_j^{\circ} \neq \emptyset$ .
- Determine the maximal cliques  $C_1, \ldots, C_m$  of G as subgraphs  $C_i = (\Phi_i, E_i)$ . Interpret the  $\Phi_i \subseteq \Omega$  as BUNs.

For the third step, we use the following algorithm MaxCliques(G, C', A', H') from Kreher and Stinson's book [74] with input  $G := G_{\Omega} = (V, E)$  and  $C', A', H' \subseteq V$ where we initialize  $C' := A' := H' := \emptyset$ . We assume the vertices of V are ordered with respect to a relation >.

• Set  $R := \emptyset$ , define  $V_+ := \{v \in V; v > \max(x; x \in C')\}$  and set

$$H(C) := \begin{cases} V, & C' = \emptyset, \\ A' \cap H' \cap V_+, & C' \neq \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

- If  $H(C) = \emptyset$ , then C' is a maximal clique and we redefine  $R := \{C'\}$ .
- For each  $v \in H(C)$  do
  - define  $C := C' \cup \{v\}$ . Let  $\operatorname{Adj}(v) \subseteq V$  be the neighbors of v in G.
  - Insert into R the result returned by the recursive call to MaxCliques with input  $G, C, \operatorname{Adj}(v)$ , and H(C).
- Return R.

*Output:* the list  $(\Phi_1, \ldots, \Phi_m)$  of all maximal BUNs of orbit cones. They correspond to the (H, 2)-maximal subsets of Spec R.

*Proof.* The correspondence to (H, 2)-maximal subsets of X is Theorem 3.3.2. The correctness of the algorithm *MaxCliques* is as in [74]: each maximal clique  $C \subseteq V$  is obtained by enlarging a smaller clique  $C' \subseteq C$  iteratively by an element  $v \in \bigcap_{c \in C'} \operatorname{Adj}(c)$ . To avoid repeated rediscoveries of the same clique, we may restrict to elements

$$v \in V_+ \cap \operatorname{Adj}(c^{\bullet}) \cap H(C' \setminus \{c^{\bullet}\}), \quad c^{\bullet} := \max(c; c \in C').$$

Thus, in each call, C' is a clique that is maximal if and only if  $H(C) = \emptyset$ . Since in the first step, the algorithm starts with all subsets of V of cardinality one, this completes the proof.

**Example 3.3.5.** In the situation of Algorithm 3.3.4, assume we are given a GR  $R = (\emptyset, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  with AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^4, \mathbb{Z}^3, Q^0)$  where



Then there are precisely fifteen orbit cones  $\Omega = \{\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_{15}\}$  which we order by  $\vartheta_i > \vartheta_j$  if i > j. They are

$$\begin{array}{ll} \vartheta_1 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4), & \vartheta_2 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_2, q_3), \\ \vartheta_3 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_4), & \vartheta_4 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_3), \\ \vartheta_5 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1), & \vartheta_6 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_2, q_3, q_4), \\ \vartheta_7 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_3, q_4), & \vartheta_8 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_3, q_4), \\ \vartheta_9 &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_4), & \vartheta_{10} &= \operatorname{cone}(q_2, q_4), \\ \vartheta_{11} &= \operatorname{cone}(q_2), & \vartheta_{12} &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_2), \\ \vartheta_{13} &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_3), & \vartheta_{14} &= \operatorname{cone}(q_2, q_3), \\ \vartheta_{15} &= \operatorname{cone}(q_1, q_2, q_3). \end{array}$$

The overlapping graph  $G_\Omega$  is the following undirected, simple graph with nine components



Besides the maximal cliques  $\{\vartheta_i\}$  with  $i \in \{3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ , Algorithm 3.3.4 detects the following nine 3-cliques (highlighted in black; isolated vertices are not drawn); in particular, there are seventeen (H, 2)-maximal subsets of Spec R.



**Remark 3.3.6.** In the situation of Algorithm 3.3.4, set  $s := |\Omega|$ . By [74, Sec. 4.3.1], the asymptotic worst case running time of the subroutine *MaxCliques* is  $O(s \cdot n)$  where *n* is the number of (not necessarily maximal) cliques in  $G_{\Omega}$ . Its average running time is  $O(s^{\log_2(s)+1})$ .

# CHAPTER 4

# Modifications of Mori dream spaces

This chapter is about the computation of Cox rings of modified Mori dream spaces. More precisely, given a modification  $X_2 \to X_1$  of projective varieties, e.g., a sequence of blow ups, where one of the Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  is known, we provide computational methods to obtain information about the other Cox ring. To this end, we develop algorithms concerning the tasks

- verifying finite generation,
- producing a guess of generators,
- verifying a guess of generators,
- computing relations between generators.

Amongst others, we devise a technique to provide and verify a systematic guess for generators of the Cox ring of a blow up  $X_2 \to X_1$  of a Mori dream space  $X_1$ ; it terminates if and only if  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is finitely generated.

Section 1 develops the algebraic tools needed to relate the Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ . In Section 2 we adjust the methods of toric ambient modifications to our setting. Here, we also treat the contraction problem. We develop and present an algorithmic framework for modifications of Mori dream spaces in Section 3. This will enable us to compute explicit examples. As a first application, we compute in Section 4 the Cox rings of all Gorenstein log del Pezzo surfaces of Picard number one that do not admit a non-trivial K\*-action. Section 5 concerns the third item and presents an automated approach to compute the Cox rings of blow ups of Mori dream spaces along a subvariety in the smooth locus. The last section, Section 6, treats the special case where the Cox ring is generated by proper transforms of hyperplanes. As an application, we determine the Cox rings of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_3$  in certain special point configurations.

The first section has already been published in the paper On Chow quotients of torus actions [10] jointly with Hendrik Bäker and Jürgen Hausen. The remaining sections have been published in the paper Computing Cox rings [57] together with Jürgen Hausen and Antonio Laface. In an ongoing project with U. Derenthal, J. Hausen, A. Heim and A. Laface we have implemented the algorithms in the software system Singular [31] and plan to use it to compute Cox rings of cubic surfaces and smooth Fano threefolds [34].

### 1. Modifications and *H*-factoriality

In this section, we provide a general machinery to study the effect of modifications on the Cox ring. Similar to [51], we use toric embeddings. In contrast to the geometric criteria given there, our approach here is purely algebraic, based on results of Bechtold [15]. The crux of the matter is a construction of factorially graded rings out of given ones. This section has been published in [10, Sec. 3] together with H. Bäker and J. Hausen.

Let us recall from Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 1 the necessary algebraic concepts. Let K be a finitely generated abelian group and R a finitely generated integral K-graded K-algebra. A homogeneous nonzero nonunit  $f \in R$  is called K-prime if  $f \mid gh$  with homogeneous  $g, h \in R$  always implies  $f \mid g$  or  $f \mid h$ . The algebra R is called *factorially K-graded* if every homogeneous nonzero nonunit  $f \in R$  is a product of K-primes.

We enter the construction of factorially graded rings. Consider a grading of the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]$  by a finitely generated abelian group  $K_1$  such that the variables  $T_i$  are homogeneous. Then we have a pair of exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{k_1} \xrightarrow{Q_1^*} \mathbb{Z}^{r_1} \xrightarrow{P_1} \mathbb{Z}^n$$
$$0 \longleftarrow K_1 \xleftarrow{Q_1} \mathbb{Z}^{r_1} \xleftarrow{P_1^*} \mathbb{Z}^n \xleftarrow{Q_1^*} 0$$

where  $Q_1: \mathbb{Z}^{r_1} \to K_1$  is the degree map sending the *i*-th canonical basis vector  $e_i$  to  $\deg(T_i) \in K_1$ . We enlarge  $P_1$  to an  $n \times r_2$  matrix  $P_2$  by concatenating further  $r_2 - r_1$  columns. This gives a new pair of exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{k_2} \xrightarrow{Q_2^*} \mathbb{Z}^{r_2} \xrightarrow{P_2} \mathbb{Z}^n$$
$$0 \longleftrightarrow K_2 \xleftarrow{Q_2} \mathbb{Z}^{r_2} \xleftarrow{P_2^*} \mathbb{Z}^n \xleftarrow{Q_2^*} 0$$

**Construction 4.1.1.** Given a  $K_1$ -homogeneous ideal  $I_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]$ , we transfer it to a  $K_2$ -homogeneous ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}]$  by taking extensions and contractions according to the scheme

where  $i_1, i_2$  are the canonical embeddings and  $\pi_i^*$  are the homomorphisms of group algebras defined by  $P_i^* : \mathbb{Z}^n \to \mathbb{Z}^{r_i}$ .

**Remark 4.1.2.** From a geometric point of view, the passage from the Laurent polynomial ring to the polynomial ring corresponds to taking the closure. Back on the algebraic side this means saturating the ideal, see Algorithm 2.2.14.

Now, let  $I_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]$  be a  $K_1$ -homogeneous ideal and  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}]$  the transferred  $K_2$ -homogeneous ideal. Our result relates factoriality properties of the algebras  $R_1 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]/I_1$  and  $R_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}]/I_2$  to each other.

**Theorem 4.1.3.** Assume  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  are integral,  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$  and  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}$  define  $K_2$ -primes in  $R_2$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) The algebra  $R_1$  is factorially  $K_1$ -graded.
- (ii) The algebra  $R_2$  is factorially  $K_2$ -graded.

*Proof.* First, observe that the homomorphisms  $\pi_j^*$  embed  $\mathbb{K}[S_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, S_n^{\pm 1}]$  as the degree zero part of the respective  $K_j$ -grading and fit into a commutative diagram



The factor ring  $R'_1$  of the extension  $I'_1 := \langle i_1(I_1) \rangle$  is obtained from  $R_1$  by the localization with respect to  $K_1$ -primes  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$ :

$$R'_1 := \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{r_1}^{\pm 1}]/I'_1 \cong (R_1)_{T_1 \cdots T_{r_1}}.$$

The ideal  $I_1''$  is the degree zero part of  $I_1'$ . Thus, its factor algebra is the degree zero part of  $R_1'$ :

$$R_1'' := \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{r_1}^{\pm 1}]_0 / I_1'' \cong (R_1')_0.$$

Note that  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{r_1}^{\pm 1}]$  and hence  $R'_1$  admit units in every degree. Thus, [15, Thm. 1.1] yields that  $R_1$  is factorially  $K_1$ -graded if and only if  $R''_1$  is a UFD.

The homomorphism  $\psi$  restricts to an isomorphism  $\psi_0$  of the respective degree zero parts. Thus, the shifted ideal  $I_2'' := \psi_0^{-1}(I_1'')$  defines an algebra  $R_2''$  isomorphic to  $R_1''$ :

$$R_2'' := \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{r_2}^{\pm 1}]_0 / I_2'' \cong R_1''.$$

The ideal  $I'_2 := \langle \pi_2^*((\pi_1^*)^{-1}(I'_1)) \rangle$  has  $I''_2$  as its degree zero part and  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}^{\pm 1}]$  admits units in every degree. The associated  $K_2$ -graded algebra

$$R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{r_2}^{\pm 1}]/I'_2 \cong (R_2)_{T_1 \cdots T_{r_2}}$$

is the localization of  $R_2$  by the  $K_2$ -primes  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}$ . Again by [15, Thm. 1.1] we obtain that  $R_2'' \cong R_1''$  is a UFD if and only if  $R_2$  is factorially  $K_2$ -graded. This proves the assertion.

The following observation is intended for practical purposes; it reduces, for example, the number of necessary primality tests.

**Proposition 4.1.4.** Assume that  $R_1$  is integral and the canonical map  $K_2 \to K_1$  admits a section (e.g.,  $K_1$  is free).

- (i) Let  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$  and  $T_{r_1+1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}$  define  $K_2$ -primes in  $R_2$ . If no  $T_j$  with  $j \ge r_1 + 1$  divides a  $T_i$  with  $i \le r_1$ , then also  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define  $K_2$ -primes in  $R_2$ .
- (ii) The ring R<sub>2</sub> is integral. Moreover, if R<sub>1</sub> is normal and T<sub>r1+1</sub>,...,T<sub>r2</sub> define primes in R<sub>2</sub> (e.g., they are K<sub>2</sub>-prime and K<sub>2</sub> is free), then R<sub>2</sub> is normal.

*Proof.* The exact sequences involving the grading groups  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  fit into a commutative diagram where the upwards sequences are exact and  $\mathbb{Z}^{r_2-r_1} \to K'_2$  is

an isomorphism:



Moreover, denoting by  $K'_1 \subseteq K_2$  the image of the section  $K_1 \to K_2$ , there is a splitting  $K_2 = K'_2 \oplus K'_1$ . As  $K'_2 \subseteq K_2$  is the subgroup generated by the degrees of  $T_{r_1+1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}$ , we obtain a commutative diagram



where the map  $\mu$  denotes the embedding of the degree zero part with respect to the  $K'_2$ -grading. By the splitting  $K_2 = K'_2 \oplus K'_1$ , the image of  $\mu$  is precisely the Veronese subalgebra associated to the subgroup  $K'_1 \subseteq K_2$ . For the factor rings  $R_2$ and  $R_1$  by the ideals  $I_2$  and  $I_1$ , the above diagram leads to the following situation



To prove (i), consider a variable  $T_i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq r_1$ . We have to show that  $T_i$  defines a  $K_2$ -prime element in  $R_2$ . By the above diagram,  $T_i$  defines a  $K'_1$ -prime element in  $((R_2)_{T_{r_1+1}\cdots T_{r_2}})_0$ , the Veronese subalgebra of  $R_2$  defined by  $K'_1 \subseteq K_2$ . Since every  $K_2$ -homogeneous element of  $(R_2)_{T_{r_1+1}\cdots T_{r_2}}$  can be shifted by a homogeneous unit into  $((R_2)_{T_{r_1+1}\cdots T_{r_2}})_0$ , we see that  $T_i$  defines a  $K_2$ -prime in  $(R_2)_{T_{r_1+1}\cdots T_{r_2}}$ , see [5, Lem. III.4.1.9]. By assumption,  $T_{r_1+1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}$  define  $K_2$ -primes in  $R_2$  and are all coprime to  $T_i$ . It follows from [5, Lem. III.4.1.7] that  $T_i$  defines a  $K_2$ -prime in  $R_2$ . We turn to assertion (ii). As just observed, the degree zero part  $((R_2)_{T_{r_1+1}\cdots T_{r_2}})_0$  of the  $K'_2$ -grading is free in the sense that the associated torus Spec  $\mathbb{K}[K'_2]$  acts freely on Spec  $(R_2)_{T_{r_1+1}\cdots T_{r_2}}$ . It follows that  $(R_2)_{T_{r_1+1}\cdots T_{r_2}}$  is integral (normal if  $R_1$  is so). Construction 4.1.1 gives that  $R_2$  is integral. Moreover, if  $T_{r_1+1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}$  define primes in  $R_2$ , we can conclude that  $R_2$  is normal, see [5, Lem. IV.1.2.7].

Let us apply the results to Cox rings, see Section 2 in Chapter 1 for the basic theory. In the setting fixed at the beginning of the section, we assume additionally that the columns of  $P_2$  are pairwise different primitive vectors in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  and those of  $P_1$  generate  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  as a convex cone. Suppose we have toric Cox constructions  $\pi_i \colon \widehat{Z}_i \to Z_i$  where  $\widehat{Z}_i \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_i}$  are open toric subvarieties and  $\pi_i$  are toric morphisms defined by  $P_i$ , see [27]. Then the canonical map  $Z_2 \to Z_1$  is a toric modification. Consider the ideal  $I_1$  as discussed before and the geometric data

$$\overline{X}_1 := V(I_1) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_1}, \qquad \widehat{X}_1 := \overline{X}_1 \cap \widehat{Z}_1, \qquad X_1 := \pi_1\left(\widehat{X}_1\right) \subseteq Z_1.$$

Assume that  $R_1$  is factorially  $K_1$ -graded and  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define pairwise non-associated  $K_1$ -prime elements in  $R_1$ . Then  $R_1$  is the Cox ring of  $X_1$ , see [5]. Our statement concerns the Cox ring of the proper transform  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  of  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  with respect to  $Z_2 \to Z_1$ .

**Corollary 4.1.5.** In the above setting, assume that  $R_2$  is normal and the variables  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}$  define pairwise non-associated  $K_2$ -prime elements in  $R_2$ . Then the  $K_2$ -graded ring  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of  $X_2$ .

Proof. According to Theorem 4.1.3, the ring  $R_2$  is factorially  $K_2$ -graded. Moreover, with the toric Cox construction  $\pi_2: \widehat{Z}_2 \to Z_2$ , we obtain that  $R_2$  is the algebra of functions of the closure  $\widehat{X}_2 \subseteq \widehat{Z}_2$  of  $\pi_2^{-1}(X_2 \cap \mathbb{T}^{r_2})$ . Thus, [5] yields that  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of  $X_2$ .

**Example 4.1.6.** We start with the UFD  $R_1 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_1$  where the ideal  $I_1$  is defined as

$$I_1 = \langle T_1 T_2 + T_3 T_4 + T_5 T_6 + T_7 T_8 \rangle.$$

Then  $I_1$  is homogeneous with respect to the standard  $K_1 = \mathbb{Z}$ -grading given by  $Q_1 = [1, \ldots, 1]$ . Then  $P_1 = [e_0, e_1, \ldots, e_7]$  is Gale dual to  $Q_1$  where  $e_0 = -e_1 - \ldots - e_7$  and the  $e_i \in \mathbb{Z}^7$  are the canonical basis vectors. Concatenation of  $e_1 + e_3$  yields a matrix  $P_2$ . Applying Construction 4.1.1, we obtain  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I_2$  where

$$I_2 = \langle T_1 T_2 T_9 + T_3 T_4 T_9 + T_5 T_6 + T_7 T_8 \rangle$$

together with a  $K_2 = \mathbb{Z}^2$ -grading. As predicted by Theorem 4.1.3,  $R_2$  is again a UFD.

#### 2. Toric ambient modifications

Using the tools of Section 1, we upgrade the technique of toric ambient modifications developed in [51]. It will serve as foundation for the algorithmic framework for modifications of Mori dream spaces presented in Section 3. This section has been published together with J. Hausen and A. Laface, in [57, Sec. 2].

Recall from Section 2 in Chapter 1 that a *Mori dream space* is a normal projective variety with finitely generated Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  and class group  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ . The *characteristic quasitorus*  $H := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[\operatorname{Cl}(X)]$  acts on  $\widehat{X} := \operatorname{Spec}_X \mathcal{R}$  and the canonical map, the *characteristic space* over  $X, p : \widehat{X} \to X$  is a good quotient for this action. One has the *total coordinate space*  $\overline{X} := \operatorname{Spec} \mathcal{R}(X)$  and a canonical H-equivariant open embedding  $\widehat{X} \subseteq \overline{X}$ .

For Mori dream spaces X, we obtain canonical embeddings into toric varieties Z relating the geometry of X to that of its ambient variety. Let  $\mathfrak{F} = (f_1, \ldots, f_r)$  be a system of pairwise non-associated  $\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ -prime generators of the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ .

This gives rise to a commutative diagram



where the embedding  $\overline{X} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  of the total coordinate space is concretely given by  $\overline{x} \mapsto (f_1(\overline{x}), \ldots, f_r(\overline{x}))$ , we have  $\widehat{X} = \overline{X} \cap \widehat{Z}$  and  $p: \widehat{Z} \to Z$  is the toric characteristic space; compare Construction 1.2.5 and [27]. The induced embedding  $X \subseteq Z$  of quotients is as wanted, see [5, Sec. III.2.5] for details.

**Definition 4.2.1.** In the above setting, we call  $X \subseteq Z$  a canonically embedded Mori dream space (CEMDS).

**Remark 4.2.2.** For a projective toric variety Z with Cox ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , let  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K := \operatorname{Cl}(Z)$  denote the degree map sending the *i*-th canonical basis vector to the degree of the *i*-th variable  $T_i$  and  $P: \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^n$  the Gale dual, i.e., P is dual to the inclusion  $\ker(Q) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^r$ . If  $w \in \operatorname{Cl}(Z)$  is an ample class, then the fans  $\hat{\Sigma}$  of  $\hat{Z}$  and  $\Sigma$  of Z are

$$\widehat{\Sigma} := \{ \widehat{\sigma} \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r; \ w \in Q(\widehat{\sigma}^{\perp} \cap \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r) \}, \qquad \Sigma^{\max} = \{ P(\widehat{\sigma}); \ \widehat{\sigma} \in \widehat{\Sigma}^{\max} \},$$

where we write  $\leq$  for the face relation of cones and regard Q and P as maps of the corresponding rational vector spaces. If  $X \subseteq Z$  is a CEMDS, then the ample class  $w \in \operatorname{Cl}(Z) = \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  is also an ample class for X. Note that a different choice of the ample class  $w' \in \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  may lead to another CEMDS  $X \subseteq Z'$  according to the fact that the Mori chamber decomposition of Z refines the one of X.

We now consider modifications  $\pi: X_2 \to X_1$  of normal projective varieties. A first general statement describes the Cox ring of  $X_1$  in terms of the Cox ring of  $X_2$ .

**Proposition 4.2.3.** Let  $\pi: X_2 \to X_1$  be a proper birational morphism of normal projective varieties. Let  $C \subseteq X_1$  be the center of the modification. Set  $K_i := \operatorname{Cl}(X_i)$  and  $R_i := \mathcal{R}(X_i)$  and identify  $U := X_2 \setminus \pi^{-1}(C)$  with  $X_1 \setminus C$ . Then we have canonical surjective push forward maps

$$\pi_* \colon K_2 \to K_1, \qquad [D] \mapsto [\pi_*D],$$
  
$$\pi_* \colon R_2 \to R_1, \qquad (R_2)_{[D]} \ni f \mapsto f_{|U} \in (R_1)_{[\pi_*D]}.$$

Now suppose that  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is finitely generated, let  $E_1, \ldots, E_l \subseteq X_2$  denote the exceptional prime divisors and  $f_1, \ldots, f_l \in \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  the corresponding canonical sections. Then we have a commutative diagram



of morphisms of graded algebras where  $\lambda$  is the canonical projection with the projection  $K_2 \rightarrow K_2/\langle \deg(f_i); 1 \leq i \leq l \rangle$  as accompanying homomorphism and the induced map  $\psi$  is an isomorphism.

**Lemma 4.2.4.** See [57, Lem. 2.3]. Let R be a  $K_2$ -graded domain,  $f \in R_w$  with w of infinite order in  $K_2$  and consider the downgrading of R given by  $K_2 \to K_1 := K_2/\langle w \rangle$ . Then f - 1 is  $K_1$ -prime.

Proof of Proposition 4.2.3. Let  $x_i \in X_i$  be smooth points with  $\pi(x_2) = x_1$  such that  $x_2$  is not contained in any of the exceptional divisors. Consider the divisorial sheaf  $S^{x_i}$  on  $X_i$  associated to the subgroup of divisors avoiding the point  $x_i$ , see [5, Constr. 4.2.3]. Then we have canonical morphisms of graded rings

$$\Gamma(X_2, \mathcal{S}^{x_2}) \rightarrow \Gamma(U_2, \mathcal{S}^{x_2}) \rightarrow \Gamma(X_1, \mathcal{S}^{x_1}),$$

where  $U_2 \subseteq X_2$  is the open subset obtained by removing the exceptional divisors of  $\pi: X_2 \to X_1$  and the accompanying homomorphisms of the grading groups are the respective push forwards of Weil divisors. The homomorphisms are compatible with the relations of the Cox sheaves  $\mathcal{R}^{x_i}$ , see again [5, Constr. 4.2.3], and thus induce canonical morphisms of graded rings

$$\Gamma(X_2, \mathcal{R}^{x_2}) \rightarrow \Gamma(U_2, \mathcal{R}^{x_2}) \rightarrow \Gamma(X_1, \mathcal{R}^{x_1}).$$

This establishes the surjection  $\pi_* \colon R_2 \to R_1$  with the canonical push forward of divisor class groups as accompanying homomorphism. Clearly, the canonical sections  $f_i$  of the exceptional divisors are sent to  $1 \in R_1$ .

We show that the induced map  $\psi$  is an isomorphism. As we may proceed by induction on l, it suffices to treat the case l = 1. Lemma 4.2.4 tells us that  $f_1 - 1$  is  $K_1$ -prime. From [51, Prop. 3.2] we infer that  $\langle f_1 - 1 \rangle$  is a radical ideal in  $R_2$ . Since  $\text{Spec}(\psi)$  is a closed embedding of varieties of the same dimension and equivariant with respect to the action of the quasitorus  $\text{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K_1]$ , the assertion follows.  $\Box$ 

As an immediate consequence, we obtain that  $X_1$  is a Mori dream space provided  $X_2$  is one; see also [85]. The converse question is in general delicate. The classical counterexample arises from the projective plane  $X_1 = \mathbb{P}_2$ : for suitably general points  $x_1, \ldots, x_9 \in \mathbb{P}_2$ , the blow up  $X_1$  at the first eight ones is a Mori dream surface and the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  at  $x_9$  is not.

We now upgrade the technique of toric ambient modifications developed in [51] and Section 1 according to our computational purposes. In the following setting,  $\hat{X}_i \to X_i$  needs (a priori) not be a characteristic space and  $\overline{X}_i$  not a total coordinate space.

**Setting 4.2.5.** Let  $\pi: Z_2 \to Z_1$  be a toric modification, i.e.,  $Z_1, Z_2$  are complete toric varieties and  $\pi$  is a proper birational toric morphism. Moreover, let  $X_i \subseteq Z_i$  be closed subvarieties, both intersecting the big *n*-torus  $\mathbb{T}^n \subseteq Z_i$ , such that  $\pi(X_2) = X_1$  holds. Then we have a commutative diagram



where the downwards maps  $p_i: \widehat{Z}_i \to Z_i$  are toric characteristic spaces and  $\widehat{X}_i \subseteq \widehat{Z}_i$ are the closures of the inverse image  $p_i^{-1}(X_i \cap \mathbb{T}^n)$ . Let  $I_i \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_i}]$  be the vanishing ideal of the closure  $\overline{X}_i \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_i}$  of  $\widehat{X}_i \subseteq \widehat{Z}_i$  and set  $R_i := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_i}]/I_i$ . Note that  $R_i$  is graded by  $K_i := \operatorname{Cl}(Z_i)$ .

Theorem 4.2.6. Consider Setting 4.2.5.

(i) If X<sub>1</sub> ⊆ Z<sub>1</sub> is a CEMDS, the ring R<sub>2</sub> is normal and T<sub>1</sub>,..., T<sub>r<sub>2</sub></sub> define pairwise non-associated K<sub>2</sub>-primes in R<sub>2</sub>, then X<sub>2</sub> ⊆ Z<sub>2</sub> is a CEMDS. In particular, K<sub>2</sub> is the divisor class group of X<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> is the Cox ring of X<sub>2</sub>.

(ii) If  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  is a CEMDS, then  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a CEMDS. In particular,  $K_1$  is the divisor class group of  $X_1$  and  $R_1$  is the Cox ring of  $X_1$ .

*Proof.* First consider the lattice homomorphisms  $P_i: \mathbb{Z}^{r_i} \to \mathbb{Z}^n$  associated to the toric morphisms  $p_i: \hat{Z}_i \to Z_i$ . Viewing the  $P_i$  as matrices, we may assume that  $P_2 = [P_1, B]$  with a matrix B of size  $n \times (r_2 - r_1)$ . We have a commutative diagram of lattice homomorphisms and the corresponding diagram of homomorphisms of tori:



where in the left diagram, the  $e_i$  are the first  $r_1$ , the  $e_j$  the last  $r_2 - r_1$  canonical basis vectors of  $\mathbb{Z}^{r_2}$ , the  $m_j$  are positive integers and  $E_n, E_{r_1}$  denote the unit matrices of size  $n, r_1$  respectively and A is an integral  $r_1 \times (r_2 - r_1)$  matrix.

We prove (i). We first show that  $R_2$  is integral. By construction, it suffices to show that  $p_2^{-1}(X_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^n)$  is irreducible, compare Lemma 4.3.6. By assumption,  $\overline{X}_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^{r_1}$ is irreducible. Since the Smith normal form of  $[E_{r_1}, A]$  is simply  $[E_{r_1}, 0]$ , under  $\alpha$ , preimages of irreducible subsets are again irreducible. This means  $\alpha^{-1}(\overline{X}_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^{r_1})$  is irreducible. We conclude that  $\overline{X}_2 \cap \mathbb{T}^{r_2} = \mu(\alpha^{-1}(\overline{X}_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^{r_1}))$  is irreducible. Moreover, since  $X_2$  is complete and the  $K_2$ -grading of  $R_2$  has a pointed weight cone, we obtain that  $R_2$  has only constant units. Thus, Theorem 4.1.3 yields that  $R_2$  is factorially  $K_2$ -graded. Since the  $T_i$  are pairwise non-associated  $K_2$ -primes and  $R_2$  is normal, we conclude that  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of  $X_2$  and  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  is a CEMDS.

We turn to (ii). Observe that for every  $f \in I_2$ , the Laurent polynomials  $\mu^*(f)$  and  $\alpha^*(f(t_1,\ldots,t_{r_1},1,\ldots,1))$  differ by a monomial factor. We conclude

$$\mathbb{K} \left[ T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{r_2}^{\pm 1} \right] \cdot I_2 = \langle \alpha^* (f(t_1, \dots, t_{r_1}, 1, \dots, 1)); \ f \in I_2 \rangle$$
  
$$\subseteq \mathbb{K} \left[ T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{r_2}^{\pm 1} \right].$$

Now, Proposition 4.2.3 tells us that  $R_1$  is the Cox ring of  $X_1$ . Since  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define also in  $X_1$  pairwise different prime divisors, we conclude that  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a CEMDS.

**Remark 4.2.7.** The verification of normality as well as the primality tests needed for Theorem 4.2.6 are computationally involved. Proposition 4.1.4 considerably reduces the effort in many cases.

As a consequence of Theorem 4.2.6, we obtain that the modifications preserving finite generation are exactly those arising from toric modifications as discussed. More precisely, let  $Z_2 \rightarrow Z_1$  be a toric modification mapping  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  onto  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$ . We call  $Z_2 \rightarrow Z_1$  a good toric ambient modification, if it is as in Theorem 4.2.6 (i).

**Corollary 4.2.8.** Let  $X_2 \to X_1$  be a birational morphism of normal, projective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial varieties such that the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$  is finitely generated. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) The Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is finitely generated.
- (ii) The morphism  $X_2 \to X_1$  arises from a good toric ambient modification.

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Proof. The implication "(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i)" is Theorem 4.2.6. For the reverse direction, set  $K_i := \operatorname{Cl}(X_i)$  and  $R_i := \mathcal{R}(X_i)$ . Let  $f_1, \ldots, f_{r_2}$  be pairwise nonassociated  $K_2$ -prime generators for  $R_2$ . According to Proposition 4.2.3, we may assume, after suitably numbering, that  $f_1, \ldots, f_{r_1}$  define generators of  $R_1$ , where  $r_1 \leq r_2$ . Now take an ample class  $w_1 \in K_1$ . Then the pullback  $w'_2 \in K_2$  of  $w_1$  under  $X_2 \to X_1$  is semiample on  $X_2$ . Choose  $w_2 \in K_2$  such that  $w_2$  is ample on  $X_2$  and the toric ambient variety  $Z_2$  of  $X_2$  defined by  $w_2$  has an ample cone containing  $w'_2$  in its closure. Then, with the sets of semistable points  $\hat{Z}_2, \hat{Z}'_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_2}$  defined by  $w_2, w'_2$  respectively and  $\hat{Z}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_1}$  the one defined by  $w_1$ . By [51, Lem. 6.7], we obtain morphisms

$$Z_2 = \widehat{Z}_2 / H_2 \rightarrow \widehat{Z}_2' / H_2 \cong \widehat{Z}_1 / H_2 = Z_1,$$

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where  $H_i := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K_i]$  denotes the characteristic quasitorus of  $Z_i$ ; observe that  $\widehat{Z}'_2 \to \widehat{Z}'_2 /\!\!/ H_2$  is in general not a toric characteristic space. Thus, we arrive at Setting 4.2.5 and  $Z_2 \to Z_1$  is the desired good toric ambient modification inducing the morphism  $X_2 \to X_1$ .

For a flexible use of Theorem 4.2.6 we will have to adjust given embeddings of a Mori dream space, e.g., bring general points of a CEMDS into a more special position, or remove linear relations from a redundant presentation of the Cox ring. The formal framework is the following.

Setting 4.2.9. Let  $Z_1$  be a projective toric variety with toric characteristic space  $p_1: \widehat{Z}_1 \to Z_1$  and ample class  $w \in K_1 := \operatorname{Cl}(Z_1)$ . Consider  $K_1$ -homogeneous polynomials  $h_1, \ldots, h_l \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]$  and, with  $r'_1 := r_1 + l$ , the (in general non-toric) embedding

 $\overline{\imath} \colon \mathbb{K}^{r_1} \to \mathbb{K}^{r'_1}, \qquad (z_1, \dots, z_{r_1}) \mapsto (z_1, \dots, z_{r_1}, h_1(z), \dots, h_l(z)).$ 

Note that  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1'}]$  is graded by  $K'_1 := K_1$  via attaching to  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  their former  $K_1$ -degrees and to  $T_{r_1+i}$  the degree of  $h_i$ . The class  $w \in K'_1$  defines a toric variety  $Z'_1$  and a toric characteristic space  $p_1: \widehat{Z}'_1 \to Z'_1$ . Any closed subvariety  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  and its image  $X'_1 := i(X_1)$  lead to a commutative diagram



where  $\widehat{X}_1 \subseteq \widehat{Z}_1$  and  $\widehat{X}'_1 \subseteq \widehat{Z}'_1$  are the closures of the inverse image  $p_1^{-1}(X_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^n)$  and  $(p'_1)^{-1}(X'_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^{n'})$ . Denote by  $I_1$  and  $I'_1$  the respective vanishing ideals of the closures  $\overline{X}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_1}$  of  $\widehat{X}_1 \subseteq \widehat{Z}_1$  and  $\overline{X}'_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r'_1}$  of  $\widehat{X}'_1 \subseteq \widehat{Z}'_1$ . Set  $R_1 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]/I_1$  and define  $R'_1 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r'_1}]/I'_1$ .

**Remark 4.2.10.** In Setting 4.2.5, the cone over the columns of the degree matrix  $Q_2$  is pointed if the cone over the columns of  $Q_1$  was pointed. Similarly, in Setting 4.2.9, the cone over the columns of  $Q'_1$  is pointed if the cone over the columns of  $Q_1$  is pointed.

Proposition 4.2.11. Consider Setting 4.2.9.

(i) If  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a CEMDS and  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}, h_1, \ldots, h_l$  define pairwise nonassociated  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$  then  $X'_1 \subseteq Z'_1$  is a CEMDS.

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- (ii) If  $R'_1$  is normal, the localization  $(R'_1)_{T_1\cdots T_{r_1}}$  is factorially  $K'_1$ -graded and  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define pairwise non-associated  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$  such that  $K_1$  is generated by any  $r_1 1$  of their degrees, then  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a CEMDS.
- (iii) If  $X'_1 \subseteq Z'_1$  is a CEMDS, then  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a CEMDS.

*Proof.* First, observe that the ideal  $I'_1$  equals  $I_1 + \langle T_{r_1+1} - h_1, \ldots, T_{r'_1} - h_l \rangle$ . Consequently, we have a canonical graded isomorphism  $R'_1 \to R_1$  sending  $T_{r_1+i}$  to  $h_i$ . Assertion (i) follows directly.

We prove (ii). Since  $(R'_1)_{T_1\cdots T_{r_1}}$  is factorially  $K'_1$ -graded, we obtain that  $(R_1)_{T_1\cdots T_{r_1}}$  is factorially  $K_1$ -graded. As  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$ , we can apply [15, Thm. 1.2] to see that  $R_1$  is factorially  $K_1$ -graded. Since  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  are pairwise non-associated we conclude that  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a CEMDS.

We turn to (iii). Note that by construction,  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  also define  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$ . According to (ii), we only have to show that any  $r_1 - 1$  of the degrees of  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  generate  $K_1$ . For this, it suffices to show that each deg $(T_j)$  for  $j = r_1 + 1, \ldots, r_1 + l$  is a linear combination of any  $r_1 - 1$  of the first  $r_1$  degrees. Since  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  generate  $R_1$  and  $T_j$  is not a multiple of any  $T_i$ , we see that for any  $i = 1, \ldots, r_1$ , there is a monomial in  $h_j$  not depending on  $T_i$ . The assertion follows.

### 3. Computing modifications of Mori dream spaces

Based on Section 2, we provide a general algorithmic framework for computations with modifications of Mori dream spaces. This section has been published together with J. Hausen and A. Laface in [57, Sec. 3].

In order to encode a canonically embedded Mori dream space  $X_i \subseteq Z_i$  and its Cox ring  $R_i$ , we use the triple  $(P_i, \Sigma_i, G_i)$  where  $P_i$  and  $\Sigma_i$  are as in Remark 4.2.2 and  $G_i = (g_1, \ldots, g_s)$  is a system of generators of the defining ideal  $I_i$  of the Cox ring  $R_i$ . We call such a triple  $(P_i, \Sigma_i, G_i)$  as well a CEMDS.

**Remark 4.3.1.** In the sense of Chapter 2, each CEMDS  $(P, \Sigma, G)$  corresponds to a MDS  $(R, \Phi)$  where the GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  is computed using Algorithms 2.1.24 and 2.1.26. The BUN  $\Phi$  is obtained from  $\Sigma$  by Gale duality

$$\Phi = \{Q(\gamma_0); \ \gamma_0 \preceq \gamma \ \mathfrak{F}\text{-face}, \ P(\gamma_0^*) \in \Sigma\}, \qquad \gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r.$$

In particular, given a CEMDS  $(P_i, \Sigma_i, G_i)$ , the degree map  $Q_i \colon \mathbb{Z}^{r_i} \to K_i$  and  $\overline{X}_i$  as well as  $p_i \colon \widehat{X}_i \to X_i$  are directly computable. Then  $Q_i$  and  $P_i$  are Gale dual to each other, i.e.,  $Q_i$  is surjective and  $P_i$  is the dual of the inclusion ker $(Q_i) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^{r_i}$ . The following two algorithms implement Proposition 4.2.11.

Algorithm 4.3.2 (StretchCEMDS). Input: a CEMDS  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$  and a list  $(f_1, \ldots, f_l)$  of polynomials  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]$  defining pairwise non-associated  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$ .

- Compute the Gale dual  $Q_1 \colon \mathbb{Z}^{r_1} \to K_1$  of  $P_1$  with Algorithm 2.1.24.
- Let  $Q'_1: \mathbb{Z}^{r_1+l} \to K_1$  be the extension of  $Q_1$  by the degrees of  $f_1, \ldots, f_l$ .
- Using Algorithm 2.1.25, compute the Gale dual  $P'_1: \mathbb{Z}^{r_1+l} \to \mathbb{Z}^{n'}$  of  $Q'_1$ and the fan  $\Sigma'$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^{n'}$  defined by  $P'_1$  and the ample class  $w \in K'_1 = K_1$ of  $Z_1$ .
- Set  $G'_1 := (g_1, \ldots, g_s, T_{r_1+1} f_1, \ldots, T_{r_2} f_l)$  where  $G_1 = (g_1, \ldots, g_s)$ .

*Output:* the CEMDS  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$ .

The input of the second algorithm is more generally an *embedded space*  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  that means just a closed normal subvariety intersecting the big torus. In particular, we do not care for the moment if  $R_1$  is the Cox ring of  $X_1$ . We encode  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  as

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well by a triple  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$  and name it for short an ES. For notational reasons we write  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  for the input.

Algorithm 4.3.3 (CompressCEMDS). Input: an ES  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  such that  $R'_1$  is normal, the localization  $(R'_1)_{T_1\cdots T_{r_1}}$  is factorially  $K'_1$ -graded and the last l relations in  $G'_1$  are fake, i.e., of the form  $f_i = T_i - h_i$  with  $h_i$  not depending on  $T_i$ . Option: verify.

- Successively substitute  $T_i = h_i$  in  $G'_1$ . Set  $G_1 := (f_1, \ldots, f_{r_1})$  where  $G'_1 = (f_1, \dots, f_{r'_1})$  and  $r_1 := r'_1 - l$ . • Set  $K_1 := K'_1$  and let  $Q_1 : \mathbb{Z}^{r_1} \to K_1$  be the map sending  $e_i$  to deg $(T_i)$
- for  $1 \leq i \leq r_1$ .
- Compute a Gale dual  $P_1 \colon \mathbb{Z}^{r_1} \to \mathbb{Z}^n$  of  $Q_1$  with Algorithm 2.1.25 and the fan  $\Sigma_1$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  defined by  $P_1$  and the ample class  $w \in K_1 = K'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ .
- If verify was asked then
  - check if any  $r_1 1$  of the degrees of  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  generate  $K_1$ ; see Algorithm 2.1.32.
  - check if  $\dim(I_1) \dim(I_1 + \langle T_i, T_j \rangle) \ge 2$  for all  $i \ne j$ ,
  - check if  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}$  define  $K_1$ -primes in  $R_1$ ; see Algorithm 2.2.10.

*Output:* the ES  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ . If  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  is a CEMDS or all verifications were positive, then  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$  is a CEMDS. In particular, then  $R_1$  is the Cox ring of the corresponding subvariety  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$ .

Remark 4.3.4. In Algorithm 4.3.3, observe that it is no restriction to assume that each fake relation  $T_i - h \in \langle G'_1 \rangle$  already satisfies  $T_i - h \in G'$ . Write  $T_i - h =$  $h_1f_1 + \ldots + h_{r_1}f_{r_1}$  with  $h_j \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . Comparing the degrees of both sides with respect to a suitable monomial ordering, we obtain  $T_i - h = f_j$  for some j.

We turn to the algorithmic version of Theorem 4.2.6. We will work with the saturation of an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with respect to an ideal  $\mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ ; recall that this is the ideal

$$\mathfrak{a}:\mathfrak{b}^{\infty} := \{g \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]; g \mathfrak{b}^k \subseteq \mathfrak{a} \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r].$$

In case of a principal ideal  $\mathfrak{b} = \langle f \rangle$ , we write  $\mathfrak{a} : f^{\infty}$  instead of  $\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b}^{\infty}$ . We say that an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is *f*-saturated if  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a} : f^{\infty}$  holds. We will only consider saturations with respect to  $f = T_1 \cdots T_r \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]$ ; we refer to [90, Chap. 12] for the computational aspect. Let us recall the basic properties, see also [64].

**Lemma 4.3.5.** Consider  $\mathbb{K}[T, U^{\pm 1}]$  with tupels of variables  $T = (T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1})$  and  $U = (U_1, \ldots, U_{r_2-r_1})$ . For  $f := U_1 \cdots U_{r_2-r_1} \in \mathbb{K}[U]$ , one has mutually inverse bijections

$$\begin{cases} \text{ ideals in } \mathbb{K}[T, U^{\pm 1}] \end{cases} \longleftrightarrow \begin{cases} f \text{-saturated ideals in } \mathbb{K}[T, U] \end{cases} \\ \mathfrak{a} \mapsto \mathfrak{a} \cap \mathbb{K}[T, U] \\ \langle \mathfrak{b} \rangle_{\mathbb{K}[T, U^{\pm 1}]} & \longleftrightarrow \mathfrak{b}. \end{cases}$$

Under these maps, the prime ideals of  $\mathbb{K}[T, U^{\pm 1}]$  correspond to the *f*-saturated prime ideals of  $\mathbb{K}[T, U]$ .

For transferring polynomials from  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]$  to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}]$  and vice versa, recall from Chapter 2 the following operations; compare also [44]. Consider a homomorphism  $\pi \colon \mathbb{T}^n \to \mathbb{T}^m$  of tori and its kernel  $H \subseteq \mathbb{T}^n$ .

• By a  $\star$ -pull back of  $g \in \mathbb{K}[S_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, S_m^{\pm 1}]$  we mean a polynomial  $\pi^{\star}g \in$  $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_n]$  with coprime monomials such that  $\pi^*g$  and  $\pi^*g$  are associated in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1}].$ 

• By a  $\star$ -push forward of an *H*-homogeneous  $h \in \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  we mean a polynomial  $\pi_{\star}h \in \mathbb{K}[S_1, \ldots, S_m]$  with coprime monomials such that hand  $\pi^*\pi_{\star}h$  are associated in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$ .

Note that  $\star$ -pull backs and  $\star$ -push forwards always exist and are unique up to constants. The  $\star$ -pull back  $\pi^*g$  of a Laurent polynomial is its usual pull back  $\pi^*g$  scaled with a suitable monomial. See Algorithm 2.2.13 on how to compute the  $\star$ -push forward.

**Lemma 4.3.6.** Consider a monomial epimorphism  $\pi \colon \mathbb{K}^{n_1} \times \mathbb{T}^{n_2} \to \mathbb{K}^m$ . Write  $T = (T_1, \ldots, T_{n_1})$  and  $U = (U_1, \ldots, U_{n_2})$ .

(i) If a ⊆ K[T, U<sup>±1</sup>] is a prime ideal, then ⟨π<sub>\*</sub>a⟩ ⊆ K[S<sup>±1</sup>] is a prime ideal.
(ii) If b ⊆ K[S<sup>±1</sup>] is a radical ideal, then ⟨π<sup>\*</sup>b⟩ ⊆ K[T, U<sup>±1</sup>] is a radical ideal.

*Proof.* The first statement follows from  $\langle \pi_{\star} \mathfrak{a} \rangle = (\pi^*)^{-1}(\mathfrak{a})$ . To prove (ii), let  $f \in \sqrt{\langle \pi^{\star} \mathfrak{b} \rangle}$ . Since  $\sqrt{\langle \pi^{\star} \mathfrak{b} \rangle} = I(\pi^{-1}(V(\mathfrak{b})))$  is invariant under  $H := \ker(\pi|_{\mathbb{T}^{n_1+n_2}})$ , we may assume that f is H-homogeneous, i.e.,  $f(h \cdot z) = \chi(h)f(z)$  holds with some character  $\chi \in \mathbb{X}(H)$ . Choose  $\eta \in \mathbb{X}(\mathbb{T}^{n_1+n_2})$  with  $\chi = \eta_{|H}$ . Then  $\eta^{-1}f$  is H-invariant and thus belongs to  $\pi^*(I(V(\mathfrak{b})))$ . Hilbert's Nullstellensatz and the assumption give  $\pi^*(I(V(\mathfrak{b})) = \pi^*(\mathfrak{b})$ .

We are ready for the first algorithm, treating the contraction problem. We enter a weak CEMDS  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  in the sense that  $G_2$  provides generators for the extension of  $I_2$  to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}^{\pm 1}]$  and a toric contraction  $Z_2 \to Z_1$ , encoded by  $(P_1, \Sigma_1)$ , and obtain a CEMDS  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$ .

Algorithm 4.3.7 (ContractCEMDS). Input: a weak CEMDS  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  and a pair  $(P_1, \Sigma_1)$  where  $P_2 = [P_1, B]$  and  $\Sigma_1$  is a coarsening of  $\Sigma_2$  removing the rays through the columns of B.

- For  $G_2 = (g_1, \ldots, g_s)$ , set  $h_i := g_i(T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}, 1, \ldots, 1) \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}].$
- Compute a system of generators  $G'_1$  for  $I'_1 := \langle h_1, \ldots, h_s \rangle : (T_1 \cdots T_{r_1})^{\infty}$ .
- Set  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1) := (P_1, \Sigma_1, G'_1)$  and reorder the variables such that the last l relations of  $G'_1$  are as in Algorithm 4.3.3.
- Apply Algorithm 4.3.3 to  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  and write  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$  for the output.

*Output:*  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ . This is a CEMDS. In particular,  $R_1$  is the Cox ring of the image  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  of  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  under  $Z_2 \to Z_1$ .

*Proof.* First we claim that in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{r_1}^{\pm 1}]$ , the ideal generated by  $h_1, \ldots, h_s$  coincides with the ideal generated by  $p_1^*(p_2)_\star g_1, \ldots, p_1^*(p_2)_\star g_r$ . To see this, consider  $p_i: \mathbb{T}^{r_i} \to \mathbb{T}^n$  and let  $S_1, \ldots, S_n$  be the variables on  $\mathbb{T}^n$ . Then the claim follows from  $(P_2)_{ij} = (P_1)_{ij}$  for  $j \leq r_1$  and

$$p_2^*(S_i) = T_1^{(P_2)_{i_1}} \cdots T_{r_2}^{(P_2)_{i_{r_2}}}, \qquad p_1^*(S_i) = T_1^{(P_1)_{i_1}} \cdots T_{r_1}^{(P_1)_{i_{r_1}}}.$$

As a consequence of the claim, we may apply Lemma 4.3.6 and obtain that  $G'_1$  defines a radical ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm}, \ldots, T_{r_1}^{\pm}]$ . Moreover, from Theorem 4.2.6 we infer that  $\widehat{X}'_1$ , defined as in Setting 4.2.5, is irreducible. Since  $G'_1$  has  $\widehat{X}'_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^{r_1}$  as its zero set, it defines a prime ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm}, \ldots, T_{r_1}^{\pm}]$ . Lemma 4.3.5 then shows that  $I'_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}]$  is a prime ideal. Using Theorem 4.2.6 again, we see that  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  as defined in the third step of the algorithm is a CEMDS. Thus, we may enter Algorithm 4.3.3 and end up with a CEMDS.

We turn to the modification problem. Given a Mori dream space  $X_1$  with Cox ring  $R_1$  and a modification  $X_2 \to X_1$ , we want to know if  $X_2$  is a Mori dream space, and if so, we ask for the Cox ring  $R_2$  of  $X_2$ . Our algorithm verifies a guess of

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prospective generators for  $R_2$  and, if successful, computes the relations. In practice, the generators are added via Algorithm 4.3.2.

Algorithm 4.3.8 (ModifyCEMDS). *Input:* a weak CEMDS  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ , a pair  $(P_2, \Sigma_2)$  with a matrix  $P_2 = [P_1, B]$  and a fan  $\Sigma_2$  having the columns of  $P_2$  as its primitive generators and refining  $\Sigma_1$ . *Options:* verify.

- Compute  $G'_2 := (h_1, \ldots, h_s)$  with  $h_i = p_2^*(p_1)_*(g_i)$  and  $G_1 = (g_1, \ldots, g_s)$ .
  - Compute a list of generators  $G_2$  for  $I_2 := \langle h_1, \ldots, h_s \rangle : (T_{r_1+1} \cdots T_{r_2})^{\infty}$ .
  - If verify was asked
    - compute a Gale dual  $Q_2: \mathbb{Z}^{r_2} \to K_2$  of  $P_2$  with Algorithm 2.1.24,
    - check if  $\dim(I_2) \dim(I_2 + \langle T_i, T_j \rangle) \ge 2$  for all  $i \ne j$ ,
    - check if  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}$  define  $K_2$ -primes in  $R_2$ ; see Algorithm 2.2.10.
    - check if  $R_2$  is normal, e.g., using Proposition 4.1.4.

*Output:*  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ , if the verify-checks were all positive, this is a CEMDS. In particular,  $R_2$  then is the Cox ring of the strict transform  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  of  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  with respect to  $Z_2 \to Z_1$ .

*Proof.* We write shortly  $\mathbb{K}[T, U^{\pm 1}]$  with the tuples  $T = (T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1})$  and  $U = (U_1, \ldots, U_{r_2-r_1})$  of variables. Lemma 4.3.6 ensures that  $G_2$  generates a radical ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[T, U^{\pm}]$ . To see that the zero set  $V(G_2) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_1} \times \mathbb{T}^{r_2-r_1}$  is irreducible, consider the situation of equation (3) in the proof of Theorem 4.2.6. There, in the right hand side diagram, we may lift the homomorphisms of tori to



Observe that we have an isomorphism  $\varphi = \alpha \times id$  given by

$$\mathbb{K}^{r_1} \times \mathbb{T}^{r_2 - r_1} \to \mathbb{K}^{r_1} \times \mathbb{T}^{r_2 - r_1}, \qquad (z, z') \mapsto (z_1(z')^{A_{1*}}, \dots, z_{r_1}(z')^{A_{r_1*}}, z').$$

Since  $\overline{X}_1$  is irreducible, so is  $\varphi^{-1}(\overline{X}_1 \times \mathbb{T}^{r_2-r_1}) = \alpha^{-1}(\overline{X}_1)$ . Hence, the image  $\mu(\alpha^{-1}(\overline{X}_1)) = \overline{X}_2 \cap \mathbb{K}^{r_1} \times \mathbb{T}^{r_2-r_1} = V(G_2)$  is irreducible as well. Moreover, Lemma 4.3.5 implies that  $G_2$  generates a prime ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[T, U]$ . If the verify-checks were all positive, then Theorem 4.2.6 tells us that  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  is a CEMDS.

**Remark 4.3.9.** If the canonical map  $K_2 \to K_1$  admits a section, e.g., if  $K_1$  is free, then, in the verification step of Algorithm 4.3.8, it suffices to check the variables  $T_{r_1+1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}$  for being  $K_2$ -prime in  $R_2$ , see Proposition 4.1.4.

## 4. Application: Gorenstein log del Pezzo surfaces

As an application of the algorithms developed in Section 3, mainly Algorithm 4.3.7, we compute Cox rings of Gorenstein log-terminal del Pezzo surfaces X of Picard number one that do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. This section has been published with J. Hausen and A. Laface in [57, Sec. 4].

Del Pezzo means that the anticanonical divisor  $-\mathcal{K}_X$  is ample and the condition "Gorenstein log-terminal" implies that X has at most ADE-singularities. The idea is to present each such surface X, classified by Alekseev and Nikulin [2], as  $\mathbb{P}_2 \leftarrow \widetilde{X} \rightarrow X$  with smooth  $\widetilde{X}$  and information about  $\mathcal{R}(\widetilde{X})$  is known from Hasset, Tschinkel, Derenthal, Artebani, Garbagnati and Laface [49, 33, 4]. The Cox rings admitting a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action have been computed in [59], the toric ones in, e.g., [72].

In [2, Theorem 8.3], the Gorenstein log-terminal del Pezzo surfaces X of Picard number one have been classified according to the singularity type, i.e., the configuration S(X) of singularities. Besides  $\mathbb{P}_2$ , there are four toric Gorenstein log-terminal surfaces del Pezzo surfaces X of Picard number one, namely the singularity types  $A_1, A_1A_2, 2A_1A_3$  and  $3A_2$ . Moreover, there are thirteen (deformation types of) K\*surfaces; they represent the singularity types  $A_4, D_5, E_6, A_12A_3, 3A_1D_4, A_1D_6,$  $A_2A_5, E_7, A_1E_7, A_2E_6, E_8, 2D_4$  and their Cox rings have been determined in [59, Theorem 5.6].

We now compute the Cox rings of the remaining ones using Algorithm 4.3.2 and the knowledge of generators of their resolutions [33, 4]; note that the relations for Cox rings of the resolutions is still not known in all cases. In the sequel, we will write a Cox ring as a quotient  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  and specify generators for the ideal I. As before, the  $\mathrm{Cl}(X)$ -grading is encoded by a degree matrix, i.e., a matrix with  $\mathrm{deg}(T_1), \ldots, \mathrm{deg}(T_r) \in \mathrm{Cl}(X)$  as columns.

**Theorem 4.4.1.** The following table lists the Cox rings of the Gorenstein logterminal del Pezzo surfaces X of Picard number one that do not allow a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action.

S(X)	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	$\operatorname{Cl}(X)$ and degree matrix
$2A_4$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_6]/I \text{ with } I \text{ generated by} \\ -T_2T_5 + T_3T_4 + T_6^2, -T_2T_4 + T_3^2 + T_5T_6, \\ T_1T_6 - T_3T_5 + T_4^2, T_1T_3 - T_4T_6 + T_5^2, \\ T_1T_2 - T_3T_6 + T_4T_5 \end{aligned}$	$ \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \overline{2} & \overline{2} & \overline{3} & \overline{4} & \overline{0} & \overline{1} \end{array} \right] $
$D_8$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_4]/I$ with $I$ generated by $T_1^2 - T_4^2 T_2 T_3 + T_4^4 + T_3^4$	$ \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \overline{1} & \overline{1} & \overline{1} & \overline{0} \end{array} \right] $
$D_{5}A_{3}$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/I$ with $I$ generated by $T_1T_3 - T_4^2 - T_5^2$ , $T_1T_2 - T_3^2 + T_4T_5$	$ \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} $ $ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & \overline{0} & \overline{3} & \overline{1} \end{bmatrix} $
$D_{6}2A_{1}$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/I$ with $I$ generated by $T_5T_2 - T_5^2 + T_3^2 + T_4^2, \ -T_2^2 + T_5T_2 + T_1^2 - T_4^2$	$ \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \overline{1} & \overline{0} & \overline{0} & \overline{1} & \overline{1} & \overline{0} \\ \overline{0} & \overline{1} & \overline{0} & \overline{1} & \overline{1} \end{array} \right] $
$E_6A_2$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_4]/I$ with $I$ generated by $-T_1T_4^2 + T_2^3 + T_2T_3T_4 + T_3^3$	$ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \overline{1} & \overline{2} & \overline{0} & \overline{1} \end{bmatrix} $
$E_7A_1$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_4]/I$ with $I$ generated by $-T_1T_3^3 - T_2^2 + T_2T_3T_4 + T_4^4$	$ \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ \overline{1} & \overline{1} & \overline{1} & \overline{0} \end{array} \right] $
$E_8$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_4]/I$ with $I$ generated by $T_1^3 + T_1^2 T_4^2 + T_2^2 - T_3 T_4^5$	$\mathbb{Z}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
$A_7$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_4]/I$ with $I$ generated by $T_1^2-T_4T_2T_3+T_4^4+T_3^4$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ \overline{1} & \overline{1} & \overline{1} & \overline{0} \end{array} \right]$
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$A_8$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_4]/I$ with $I$ generated by $-T_1T_2T_3 + T_3^3 + T_4^3 + T_4^3$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ $\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \frac{1}{1} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{0} & \frac{1}{1} \end{array}\right]$
$A_7A_1$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]/I \text{ with } I \text{ generated by} \\ -T_2T_3 + T_4^2 - T_5^2, \ T_1^2 - T_3^2 + T_4T_5$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ $\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{0} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{1} \end{array}\right]$
$A_5 A_2 A_1$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]/I \text{ with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_5^2 + T_6^2 - T_7 T_1, \ T_4 T_5 + T_6 T_1 - T_2 T_6 - T_7^2, \\ & -T_3 T_6 - T_5 T_7 + T_1 T_4, \ T_3^2 - T_6 T_1 + T_7^2, \\ & T_1 T_5 - T_2 T_5 - T_4 T_6 + T_7 T_3, \\ & T_3 T_4 - T_6^2 + T_7 T_1 - T_2 T_7, \\ & The \ class \ group \ and \ degree \ matrix \ are \\ & \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \end{split}$	$\begin{bmatrix} T_1 T_3 - T_2 T_3 + T_6 T_5 - T_7 T_4, \\ T_1 T_2 - T_2^2 - T_4^2 + T_3 T_5, \\ T_1^2 - T_2^2 - T_4^2 + 2T_3 T_5 - T_7 T_6 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{1} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{0} \end{bmatrix}$
$2A_3A_1$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / I \text{ with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & -\frac{1}{2}T_4^2 + T_5^2 + \frac{1}{2}T_7 T_9, \\ & -\frac{1}{2}T_3 T_8 - \frac{1}{2}T_4 T_5 + T_6^2, \\ & -\frac{1}{2}T_3 T_4 + T_5 T_8 + \frac{1}{2}T_6 T_9, \\ & T_2 T_6 - T_7 T_9 - 4T_8^2, \\ & T_5 T_2 - 2T_3 T_7 + T_8 T_9, \\ & -\frac{1}{4}T_2 T_4 + \frac{1}{4}T_3 T_9 + T_7 T_8, \\ & T_1 T_7 + T_2 T_7 - 4T_3 T_4 + 2T_6 T_9, \\ & T_1 T_6 - 2T_4^2 + T_7 T_9, \\ & \frac{1}{2}T_1 T_6 - \frac{1}{2}T_2 T_6 + T_3^2 - T_4^2, \\ & T_1 T_8 - 2T_4 T_7 + T_5 T_9, \\ & The \ class \ group \ and \ degree \ matrix \ are \\ & \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \end{split}$	$ \begin{array}{c} T_1^2 - 16T_4T_5 + 8T_7^2 - T_9^2 , \\ T_2^2 - 16T_3T_8 + 8T_7^2 - T_9^2 , \\ T_2T_3 - T_4T_9 + 4T_5T_7 - 8T_6T_8 , \\ T_1T_2 - 8T_7^2 - T_9^2 , \\ T_1T_5 + 2T_3T_7 - 4T_4T_6 + T_8T_9 , \\ T_1T_3 - T_4T_9 - 4T_5T_7 , \\ - \frac{1}{8}T_4T_1 + \frac{1}{8}T_2T_4 + T_5T_6 - T_7T_8 , \\ - \frac{1}{16}T_9T_1 + \frac{1}{16}T_2T_9 - T_4T_8 + T_6T_7 , \\ - \frac{1}{8}T_9T_1 + \frac{1}{8}T_2T_9 + T_3T_5 - T_4T_8 , \\ \frac{1}{4}T_1T_8 - \frac{1}{4}T_2T_8 + T_6T_3 - T_4T_7 , \\ \end{array} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$4A_2$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{10}]/I \text{ with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & 3T_3T_6+3T_4T_7\zeta+(-3\zeta-3)T_5T_8, \\ & (\zeta-1)T_2T_8+3T_3^2+(-\zeta-2)T_6T_9, \\ & 3T_2T_7\zeta+3T_6T_{10}+(-3\zeta-3)T_8T_9, \\ & (-\zeta+1)T_2T_5+(\zeta-1)T_4T_9+3T_6T_8, \\ & -\zeta T_1T_{10}+T_2T_{10}\zeta+3T_4T_7-3T_5T_8, \\ & (\zeta+1)T_1T_{10}-T_2T_{10}\zeta+3T_5T_8-T_9^2, \\ & -T_1T_9\zeta-T_2T_9+3T_3T_7+(\zeta+1)T_{10}^2, \\ & -T_1T_9\zeta+T_2T_9\zeta+3T_3T_7-3T_8T_4, \\ & (-\zeta+1)T_1T_8+(\zeta-1)T_2T_8+3T_3^2-3T_4T_5, \\ & (\zeta+2)T_1T_7+(-\zeta-2)T_2T_7+3T_4T_3-3T_5^2, \\ & T_2T_1+(-\zeta-1)T_2^2+3T_8T_3+T_9T_{10}\zeta, \\ & -\zeta T_1T_2+3T_4T_6+T_9T_{10}\zeta, \\ & T_1^2+(-\zeta-1)T_1T_2+3T_5T_7+T_9T_{10}\zeta \\ & The \ class\ group\ and\ degree\ matrix\ are \end{split}$	$ \begin{array}{c} (-\zeta-1)T_1T_9 + (\zeta+1)T_2T_9 - 3T_8T_4 + 3T_5T_6, \\ (-2\zeta-1)T_1T_8 + (\zeta-1)T_2T_8 + 3T_3^2 + (\zeta-1)T_7T_{10}, \\ -3T_1T_6 + (3\zeta+3)T_2T_6 + (-3\zeta-3)T_7T_9 + 3T_8T_{10}, \\ (-\zeta-2)T_1T_7 + (2\zeta+1)T_2T_7 + 3T_5^2 + (-\zeta-2)T_8T_9, \\ (-\zeta-2)T_1T_6 + (2\zeta+1)T_2T_6 + 3T_3T_5 + 3T_4^2, \\ (-\zeta+1)T_1T_6 + (-2\zeta-1)T_2T_6 - 3T_3T_5 + 3T_4^2, \\ (-\zeta+1)T_1T_5 + (-\zeta-2)T_2T_5 + (2\zeta+1)T_3T_{10} + 3T_7^2, \\ (-\zeta+1)T_1T_5 + (\zeta-1)T_2T_5 - 3T_6T_8 + 3T_7^2, \\ -3T_1T_4 + (3\zeta+3)T_2T_4 + (-3\zeta-3)T_3T_9 + 3T_5T_{10}, \\ (-2\zeta-1)T_1T_4 + (2\zeta-1)T_5T_9 + 3T_6^2, \\ (\zeta+2)T_1T_3 + (\zeta-1)T_5T_9 + 3T_6T_7, \\ 3\zeta T_1T_3 + 3T_4T_{10} + (-3\zeta-3)T_5T_9, \\ (\zeta+2)T_1T_3 + (-2\zeta-1)T_2T_3 + (\zeta-1)T_5T_9 + 3T_8^2, \\ where \zeta is a primitive third root of unity. \\ \end{array} \right] $

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*Proof.* According to [2, Thm. 8.3], the Gorenstein log del Pezzo surfaces X with  $\rho(X) = 1$  have ADE-singularity types

For each singularity type, up to isomorphism, there is exactly one such surface except for the cases  $E_6A_2$ ,  $E_7A_1$  and  $E_8$  where exactly two isomorphism classes occur, and case  $2D_4$  where there are infinitely many classes. As noted in the introduction, the singularity types shown in the last two rows of (4) are toric or are  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces; this includes all  $2D_4$  cases.

Each of the remaining surfaces X, is obtained by contracting curves of a smooth surface  $X_2$  arising as a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  with generators for the Cox ring known by [33, 4]. A direct application of Algorithms 4.3.8 and 4.3.7 is not always feasible. However, we have enough information to present the blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  as a weak CEMDS. As an example, we treat the  $D_5A_3$ -case. By [4], with  $X_2 := X_{141}$ , additional generators for  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  correspond in  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbb{P}_2)$  to

$$f_1 := T_1 - T_2, \qquad f_2 := T_1 T_2 - T_2^2 + T_1 T_3.$$

Using Algorithm 4.3.2 with input the CEMDS  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $(f_1, f_2)$ , we obtain a CEMDS  $X_1$ . Again by [4, Sec. 6], we know the degree matrix  $Q_2$  of  $X_2$ . Write  $Q_2 = [D, C]$  with submatrices D and C consisting of the first  $r_1$  and the last  $r_2 - r_1$  columns respectively. We compute a Gale dual matrix  $P_2$  of the form  $P_2 = [P_1, B]$  by solving  $CB^t = -DP_1^t$ . Let  $p_1: \mathbb{T}^5 \to \mathbb{T}^4$  and  $p_2: \mathbb{T}^{14} \to \mathbb{T}^4$  be the maps of tori corresponding to  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . Instead of using Algorithm 4.3.8, we directly produce the equations  $G'_2$  for  $X_2$  on the torus:

$$p_{2}^{\star}(p_{1})_{\star} f_{1} = T_{1}T_{6}T_{7}T_{8}T_{14} - T_{2}T_{10}T_{11}^{2} - T_{3}T_{12}T_{13}^{2},$$
  
$$p_{2}^{\star}(p_{1})_{\star} f_{2} = T_{1}T_{4}T_{14}^{2} + T_{2}T_{3}T_{9}T_{11}T_{13} - T_{5}T_{6}^{2}T_{7}.$$

Note that by [4], the variables define pairwise non-associated  $\operatorname{Cl}(X_2)$ -prime generators for  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ . This makes  $X_2$  a weak CEMDS with data  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G'_2)$  where  $\Sigma_2$  is the stellar subdivision of the fan  $\Sigma_1$  of the CEMDS  $X_1$  at the columns of B. We now use Algorithm 4.3.7 to contract on  $X_2$  the curves corresponding to the variables  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14\}$ . The resulting ring is the one listed in the table of the theorem.

Observe that the given surfaces do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. As noted before, we only have to treat cases  $E_6A_2$ ,  $E_7A_1$  and  $E_8$ . Here, using e.g., Algorithm 2.4.8, one computes the minimal resolution  $X' \to X$  and compares  $\mathcal{R}(X')$ with the Cox ring given in [33, Sect. 3]. If the rings are isomorphic, again by [33, Sect. 3], X does not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. See Example 2.4.12 for the  $E_6A_2$  case.

**Remark 4.4.2.** Note that the resolutions of the surfaces with singularity type  $E_6A_2$ ,  $E_7A_1$  and  $E_8$  listed in Theorem 4.4.1 have a hypersurface as Cox ring; they have been computed in [33, Sect. 3, Table 9]. Moreover, these surfaces admit small degenerations into  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces. In fact, multiplying the monomials  $T_2T_3T_4$  and  $T_1^2T_4^2$  in the respective Cox rings with a parameter  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$  gives rise to a flat family of Cox rings over  $\mathbb{K}$ . The induced flat family of surfaces over  $\mathbb{K}$  has a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface as zero fiber, compare also the corresponding Cox rings listed in [59, Theorem 5.6].

#### 5. The lattice ideal method

We consider the blow up  $X_2$  of a Mori dream space  $X_1$  with known Cox ring and develop a method for the systematic guess and verification of generators for the new Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ . A description of  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  as saturated Rees algebra is used. As examples, we compute the Cox ring of Cayley's cubic surface and the Cox ring of the blow up of a weighted projective space in its base point. This section has been published in [57, Sec. 5] together with J. Hausen and A. Laface.

Let  $X_1$  be a Mori dream space and  $\pi: X_2 \to X_1$  the blow up of an irreducible subvariety  $C \subseteq X_1$  contained in the smooth locus of  $X_1$ . As before, write  $K_i := \operatorname{Cl}(X_i)$  for the divisor class groups and  $R_i := \mathcal{R}(X_i)$  for the Cox rings. Then we have the canonical pullback maps

$$\pi^* \colon K_1 \to K_2, \qquad [D] \mapsto [\pi^*D],$$
  
$$\pi^* \colon R_1 \to R_2, \qquad (R_1)_{[D]} \ni f \mapsto \pi^*f \in (R_2)_{[\pi^*D]}.$$

Moreover, identifying  $U := X_2 \setminus \pi^{-1}(C)$  with  $X_1 \setminus C$ , we obtain canonical push forward maps

$$\pi_* \colon K_2 \to K_1, \qquad [D] \mapsto [\pi_*D],$$
  
$$\pi_* \colon R_2 \to R_1, \qquad (R_2)_{[D]} \ni f \mapsto f_{|U} \in (R_1)_{[\pi_*D]}.$$

Let  $J \subseteq R_1$  be the irrelevant ideal, i.e., the vanishing ideal of  $\overline{X}_1 \setminus \hat{X}_1$ , and  $I \subseteq R_1$ the vanishing ideal of  $p_1^{-1}(C) \subseteq \overline{X}_1$  where  $p_1 \colon \hat{X}_1 \to X_1$  is the characteristic space. We define the *saturated Rees algebra* to be the subalgebra

$$R_1[I]^{\text{sat}} := \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( I^{-d} : J^{\infty} \right) t^d \subseteq R_1[t^{\pm 1}], \quad \text{where } I^k := R_1 \text{ for } k \le 0.$$

Note that this indeed makes  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  a graded algebra. For all  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have containment of  $(I^n : J^{\infty})(I^m : J^{\infty})$  in  $I^{n+m} : J^{\infty}$ .

**Remark 4.5.1.** The usual Rees algebra  $R_1[I] = \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{Z}} I^{-d} t^d$  is a subalgebra of the saturated Rees algebra  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$ . In the above situation,  $I \subseteq R_1$  is a  $K_1$ -prime ideal. Since  $K_1$ -prime ideals are saturated with respect to  $K_1$ -homogeneous ideals, we have  $I : J^{\infty} = I$ . Consequently,  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  equals  $R_1[I]$  if and only if  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  is generated in the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -degrees 0 and  $\pm 1$ . In this case,  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  is finitely generated because  $R_1[I]$  is so.

Note that the saturated Rees algebra  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  is naturally graded by  $K_1 \times \mathbb{Z}$  as  $R_1$  is  $K_1$ -graded and the ideals I, J are homogeneous. Let  $E = \pi^{-1}(C)$  denote the exceptional divisor. Then we have a splitting  $K_2 = \pi^* K_1 \times \mathbb{Z} \cdot [E] \cong K_1 \times \mathbb{Z}$ ; compare Proposition 1.4.8.

**Proposition 4.5.2.** See [57, Prop. 5.2]. In the above situation, we have the following mutually inverse isomorphisms of graded algebras

$$R_2 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad R_1[I]^{\operatorname{sat}},$$

$$(R_2)_{[\pi^*D]+d[E]} \ni f \quad \mapsto \quad \pi_*f \cdot t^d \in (R_1[I]^{\operatorname{sat}})_{([D],d)},$$

$$(R_2)_{[\pi^*D]+d[E]} \ni \pi^*f \cdot 1^d_E \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad f \cdot t^d \in (R_1[I]^{\operatorname{sat}})_{([D],d)}.$$

For the computation of the Cox ring  $R_2$ , we work in the notation of Setting 4.2.5; in particular  $X_1$  comes as a CEMDS  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$ . As before,  $C \subseteq X_1$  is an irreducible subvariety contained in the smooth locus of  $X_1$  and  $\hat{C} \subseteq \hat{X}_1$  denotes its inverse image with respect to  $p_1: \hat{X}_1 \to X_1$ . The idea is to stretch the given embedding  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  by suitable generators of the vanishing ideal  $I \subseteq R_1$  of  $\hat{C} \subseteq \overline{X}_1$  and then perform an ambient modification. Algorithm 4.5.3 (BlowUpCEMDS). Input: a CEMDS  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ , a  $K_1$ -prime ideal  $I = \langle f_1, \ldots, f_l \rangle \subseteq R_1$  with pairwise non-associated  $K_1$ -primes  $f_i \in R_1$  defining an irreducible subvariety  $C \subseteq X_1$  inside the smooth locus and coprime positive integers  $d_1, \ldots, d_l$  with  $f_i \in I^{d_i} : J^{\infty}$ .

- Compute the stretched CEMDS  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  by applying Algorithm 4.3.2 to  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$  and  $(f_1, \ldots, f_l)$ .
- Define a multiplicity vector  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^{r_1+l}$  by  $v_i := 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r_1$  and  $v_i := d_{i-r_1}$  for  $r_1 + 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + l$ .
- Determine the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  along the ray through  $P'_1 \cdot v$ . Write  $P_2 := [P'_1, P'_1 \cdot v]$ .
- Compute  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  by applying Algorithm 4.3.8 to  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  and the pair  $(P_2, \Sigma_2)$ .
- Let  $T^{\nu}$  be the product over all  $T_i$  with  $C \not\subseteq D_i$  where  $D_i \subseteq X_1$  is the divisor corresponding to  $T_i$ . Test whether  $\dim(I_2 + \langle T_{r_2} \rangle) > \dim(I_2 + \langle T_{r_2}, T^{\nu} \rangle)$ .
- Set  $(P'_2, \Sigma'_2, G'_2) := (P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ . Eliminate all fake relations by applying Algorithm 4.3.3. Call the output  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ .

*Output:*  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ . If the verification in the next to last step was positive, then  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  is a CEMDS describing the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  along C. In particular then the  $K_2$ -graded algebra  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of  $X_2$ .

**Lemma 4.5.4.** Let  $\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be ideals and  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  a polynomial. Then taking the saturation commutes with taking the localization, i.e.,

$$\mathfrak{a}_f : (\mathfrak{b}_f)^\infty = (\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b}^\infty)_f \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]_f.$$

*Proof.* Compare also [8, Cor. 3.15]. Consider  $g \in (\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b}^{\infty})_f$ . Then  $gf^{-k} \in \mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b}^s$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  and an integer  $s \geq 1$ . This means  $g\mathfrak{b}^s \subseteq \mathfrak{a}$ . Since localizing commutes with taking products we obtain  $g(\mathfrak{b}_f)^s \subseteq \mathfrak{a}_f$ , see [8, Prop. 3.11].

For the other inclusion, let  $g \in \mathfrak{a}_f : (\mathfrak{b}_f)^{\infty}$ . As before,  $g(\mathfrak{b}^s)_f \subseteq \mathfrak{a}_f$  for an  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ . In particular,  $g\mathfrak{b}^s \subseteq \mathfrak{a}_f$ . Write  $\mathfrak{b}^s = \langle b_1, \ldots, b_l \rangle$ . Then there are  $a_i \in \mathfrak{a}$  and  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $gb_i = a_i f^{m_i} \in \mathfrak{a}_f$  which means  $gf^{-m_i}b_i \in \mathfrak{a}$ . We obtain  $gf^{k'}\mathfrak{b}^s \subseteq \mathfrak{a}$  for suitable  $k' \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We arrive at  $g \in (\mathfrak{a} : \mathfrak{b}^{\infty})_f$ .

**Lemma 4.5.5.** In the situation of Algorithm 4.5.3, consider a monomial  $T^{\nu} \in J \subseteq R_1$ . Then the localization  $(R_1[I]^{\text{sat}})_{T^{\nu}}$  is isomorphic to  $(R_1[I])_{T^{\nu}}$ .

*Proof.* Set  $f := T^{\nu}$ . Since the  $T_i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq r_1$  are of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -degree zero, using Lemma 4.5.4, we obtain

$$(R_{1}[I]^{\operatorname{sat}})_{f} = \bigoplus_{k < 0} \left( I^{-k} : J^{\infty} \right)_{f} t^{k} \oplus \bigoplus_{k \ge 0} (R_{1})_{f} t^{k}$$
$$= \bigoplus_{k < 0} \left( \left( I^{-k} \right)_{f} : R_{1} \right) t^{k} \oplus \bigoplus_{k \ge 0} (R_{1})_{f} t^{k}$$
$$= \bigoplus_{k < 0} \left( I^{-k} \right)_{f} t^{k} \oplus \bigoplus_{k \ge 0} (R_{1})_{f} t^{k}$$
$$= (R_{1}[I])_{f}.$$

**Lemma 4.5.6.** In the situation of Algorithm 4.5.3, let  $R_1[I] \subseteq R_2 \subseteq R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  be an inclusion of  $K_2 = K_1 \times \mathbb{Z}$ -graded algebras. Let  $T^{\nu}$  be the product over all  $T_i$  such that  $C \not\subseteq V(X_1; T_i)$ . Then  $R_2 = R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  holds if

$$\dim \left( I_2 + \langle T_{r_2} \rangle_{R_2} \right) > \dim \left( I_2 + \langle T_{r_2}, T^{\nu} \rangle_{R_2} \right).$$

*Proof.* Denote by  $(R_2)_d$  the degree d part of  $R_2$  with respect to the natural  $\mathbb{Z}$ grading. Assume that the inclusion  $R_2 \subseteq R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  is strict and let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  be minimal such that there is  $ft^{-n} \in R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}_{-n} \setminus (R_2)_{-n}$ . Observe that n > 1 by assumption. Moreover  $ft^{-n+1} \in R_2$  since  $f \in I^n : J^{\infty} \subseteq I^{n-1} : J^{\infty}$  and  $(R_2)_{-n+1} = (R_1[I]^{\text{sat}})_{-n+1}$ . Therefore

$$ft^{-n+1} \in \langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}} \cap R_2, \qquad ft^{-n+1} \notin \langle t \rangle_{R_2}$$

so that the ideal  $\langle t \rangle_{R_2}$  is strictly contained in  $\langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}} \cap R_2$ . Note that  $T^{\nu}$  is an element of the irrelevant ideal J since

$$T^{\nu} \in J \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \bigcap_{\nu_i=0} D_i \neq \emptyset \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \bigcap_{C \subseteq D_i} D_i \neq \emptyset.$$

Moreover, localizing by  $T^{\nu}$ , Lemma 4.5.5 delivers

$$\left(\langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}} \cap R_2\right)_{T^{\nu}} = \langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}_{T^{\nu}}} \cap (R_2)_{T^{\nu}} = \langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]_{T^{\nu}}}.$$

In particular, both ideals are of the same dimension in  $R_2$  and  $\langle t \rangle_{R_2}$  equals the  $K_2$ prime ideal  $\langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}} \cap R_2$  in  $(R_2)_{T^{\nu}}$ , i.e., t is  $K_2$ -prime in  $(R_2)_{T^{\nu}}$ . Observe that t is  $K_2$ -prime in  $R_2$ . Given  $K_2$ -homogeneous elements  $h_1, h_2 \in R_2$  with  $t \mid h_1h_2$ , considered as elements of  $(R_2)_{T^{\nu}}$ , we have  $t \mid h_1$  or  $t \mid h_2$ , i.e.,

$$h_1(T^{\nu})^{k_1} = t\alpha_1$$
 or  $h_2(T^{\nu})^{k_2} = t\alpha_2$ ,  $\alpha_i \in R_2, \ k_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .

Since by the dimension requirement we know that t and  $T^{\nu}$  are coprime in  $R_2$ , we obtain  $t \mid h_1$  or  $t \mid h_2$ . Therefore,  $\langle t \rangle_{R_2} = \langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]^{sat}} \cap R_2$  in  $R_2$ , a contradiction.  $\Box$ 

Proof of Algorithm 4.5.3. Consider the  $K_2$ -graded ring  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}]/I_2$ associated to the output  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ . Assume all verifications were positive. The first step is to show that  $R_2$  is normal; then  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  is a CEMDS and  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the output variety  $X_2$ . In a second step we show that  $X_2$  equals the blow up of  $X_1$  along C.

Consider the output  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  of the fourth item, i.e., the situation before entering the last step. The variables  $T_{r_1+1}, \ldots, T_{r_2-1}$  correspond to  $f_1, \ldots, f_l$  and  $T_{r_2}$ to the exceptional divisor. Observe that we have a canonical  $K_2$ -graded homomorphism  $R_2 \to R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{r_2}] \to R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}, \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_i, & 1 \le i \le r_1, \\ f_{i-r_1}t^{-v_i}, & r_1 < i < r_2, \\ t, & i = r_2. \end{cases}$$

Indeed, because C is contained in the smooth locus of  $X_1$ , the cone generated by the last l columns of  $P'_1$  is regular and, because in addition  $d_1, \ldots, d_l$  are coprime, the vector  $P'_1 \cdot v$  is primitive. Thus, the ideal  $I_2$  of  $X_2$  is the saturation with respect to  $T_{r_2}$  of

$$I_1 + \langle T_i T_{r_2}^{v_i} - f_{i-r_1}; r_1 < i < r_2 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{r_2}].$$

Consequently, the above assignment induces a homomorphism  $R_2 \to R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$ . This homomorphism yields an isomorphism of the  $K_2$ -graded localizations

$$(R_2)_{T_{r_2}} = \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{Z}} R_1 T_{r_2}^d \cong \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{Z}} R_1 t^d = (R_1[I]^{\operatorname{sat}})_t$$

and hence is in particular injective. As the image  $\varphi(R_2)$  contains generators

$$\varphi(T_{r_2}) = t, \qquad \varphi(T_{r_1+i}T_{r_2}^{v_i-1}) = f_i t^{-1}, \qquad 1 \le i \le l$$

for the Rees algebra  $R_1[I]$ , we obtain  $R_1[I] \subseteq \varphi(R_2) \subseteq R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$ . In fact, by the dimension check in the last step and the definition of  $\varphi$  we may apply Lemma 4.5.6 which delivers  $\varphi(R_2) = R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$ . By Proposition 4.5.2,  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}} \cong R_2$  is the Cox ring of the blow up  $X'_2$  of  $X_1$  at C. In particular,  $R_2 \cong R'_2$  is normal and we may apply Algorithm 4.3.3. Note that there is no need to use the **verify** option

as the variables  $T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2} \in R_2$  are  $K_2$ -prime and the generators surviving the elimination process are  $K_2$ -prime as well. As for any Cox ring, the  $K_2$ -grading is almost free.



We show that  $X_2 \cong X'_2$  holds. Let  $\lambda \subseteq \operatorname{Mov}(R_2)$  be the chamber representing  $X_1$ . Then  $\lambda$  is of codimension one in  $\mathbb{Q} \otimes K_2$  and lies on the boundary of  $\operatorname{Mov}(R_2)$ . Since there are the contraction morphisms  $X_2 \to X_1$  and  $X'_2 \to X_1$ , the chambers  $\lambda_2, \lambda'_2$  corresponding to  $X_2, X'_2$  both have  $\lambda$  as a face. We conclude  $\lambda_2 = \lambda'_2$  and thus  $X_2 \cong X'_2$ .

An important special input case for Algorithm 4.5.9 is the blow up of a smooth point. The point  $x_1 \in X_1$  can be given in Cox coordinates, i.e., as a point  $z \in \hat{X}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_1}$  with  $x_1 = p_1(z)$ .

**Definition 4.5.7.** Let P be an  $s \times r$  integer matrix and  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$ . Let  $i_1, \ldots, i_k$  be the indices with  $z_{i_j} \neq 0$  and  $\nu_1, \ldots, \nu_s \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  a lattice basis for  $\operatorname{im}(P^*) \cap \operatorname{lin}(e_{i_1}, \ldots, e_{i_k})$ . Then the associated ideal to P and z is the saturation

$$I(P,z) := \langle z^{-\nu_1^+} T^{\nu_1^+} - z^{-\nu_1^-} T^{\nu_1^-}, \dots, z^{-\nu_s^+} T^{\nu_s^+} - z^{-\nu_s^-} T^{\nu_s^-} \rangle : (T_1 \cdots T_r)^{\infty} \\ \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r],$$

where  $\nu_i = \nu_i^+ - \nu_i^-$  is the unique decomposition with nonnegative vectors  $\nu_i^+, \nu_i^- \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  and we write  $T^{\alpha} = T_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots T_r^{\alpha_r}$  and  $z^{\alpha} = z_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots z_r^{\alpha_r}$  for any vector  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^r$ .

Note that the ideal  $I(P_1, z_1) + \langle T_j; j \neq i_1, \ldots, i_k \rangle$  describes the closure of the orbit through  $z_1$  of the quasitorus  $H = \text{Spec}(\mathbb{K}[K_1])$  acting on  $\mathbb{K}^{r_1}$  via the grading  $\deg(T_i) = Q_1(e_i)$  with the projection  $Q_1: \mathbb{Z}^{r_1} \to K_1 := \mathbb{Z}^{r_1}/\text{im}(P_1^*)$ .

**Remark 4.5.8.** The ideal I(P, z) is a so called lattice ideal. In particular it is generated by binomials, see [82].

**Algorithm 4.5.9** (BlowUpCEMDSpoint). *Input:* a CEMDS  $X_1 = (P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ and a smooth point  $x \in X_1$  given in Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^{r_1}$ .

- Compute a list  $(f_1, \ldots, f_l)$  of pairwise non-associated  $K_1$ -prime generators for for  $I(P_1, z) + \langle T_j; z_j = 0 \rangle \subseteq R_1$  and choose  $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  such that  $f_i \in I^{d_i} : J^{\infty}$ .
- Call Algorithm 4.5.3 with input  $X_1$ ,  $(f_1, \ldots, f_l)$  and  $(d_1, \ldots, d_l)$ . Denote the result by  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ .

*Output:*  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ . If the verification was positive, then  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  is a CEMDS describing the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in x. In particular then the  $K_2$ -graded algebra  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of  $X_2$ .

We will see in Algorithm 4.5.12 how to choose the  $f_i$  more systematically. In the following example, we compute the Cox ring of *Cayley's nodal cubic surface*. We have published it in [56].

**Example 4.5.10** (Cayley's cubic). Let  $X_1$  be the toric surface of Picard number two coming with four singularities of type  $A_1$ . So,  $X_1$  arises from the fan  $\Sigma_1$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  as indicated below



We determine the Cox ring of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  at the unit element of the big torus  $\mathbb{T}^2 \subseteq X_1$ . Using Algorithm 4.5.9, all  $d_i$  are 1 and we obtain the Cox ring of  $X_2$  as  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I_2$  graded by  $K_2 = \mathbb{Z}^3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  where generators of  $I_2$  and the degree matrix  $Q_2$  are

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_5^2 - T_7^2 + T_6 T_8, \ T_2 T_5 - T_3 T_6 + T_4 T_7, \\ T_2 - T_2^2 - T_6 T_9, \ T_3 T_5 - T_1 T_7 + T_2 T_8, \\ T_4 T_5 - T_1 T_6 + T_2 T_7, \ T_1 T_5 - T_3 T_7 + T_4 T_8, \\ T_2 T_3 - T_1 T_4 - T_5 T_9, \ T_1 T_2 - T_3 T_4 - T_7 T_9, \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider  $w := (0, 1, 1, \overline{1}) \in K_2$  which is in fact the anticanonical class in  $K_2 = Cl(X_2)$ . Then the homogeneous component  $(R_2)_w$  is of dimension 4 and it is generated by the classes

$$z_0 := T_6 T_8 T_9, \qquad z_1 := T_4 T_5 T_6, \qquad z_2 := T_4 T_7 T_9, \qquad z_3 := T_5 T_7 T_8,$$

compare Algorithm 2.2.5. The rational map  $X_2 \to \mathbb{P}_3$ , given in Cox coordinates by  $z \mapsto (z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$ , is a closed embedding. We see that the image in  $\mathbb{P}_3$  is Cayley's cubic surface as we have in  $(R_2)_{3w}$  the relation

$$z_0 z_1 z_2 + z_0 z_1 z_3 + z_0 z_2 z_3 + z_1 z_2 z_3 = 0.$$

We now give an example where the Cox ring computation with Algorithm 4.5.3 fails depending on the input multiplicities  $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ . We will also see that the weighted ambient toric blow up induces a blow up of the embedded varieties. This serves also an example for the proof of the algorithm.

**Example 4.5.11** (to the proof of Algorithm 4.5.3). Consider the smooth twodimensional CEMDS  $X_1$  with  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded Cox ring, degree matrix and irrelevant ideal

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &= \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] \,/ \,\langle f \rangle, \\ f &:= T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 - T_1^2 T_2 - T_7 T_8, \end{aligned} Q_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 & 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ J &= \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_1 T_2 T_3 T_4 T_7, \, T_1 T_3 T_4 T_5 T_7, \, T_1 T_2 T_5 T_6 T_8, \\ T_2 T_4 T_5 T_6 T_8, \, T_1 T_3 T_4 T_7 T_8, \, T_2 T_5 T_6 T_7 T_8, \\ T_1 T_2 T_3 T_6, \, T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6, \, T_3 T_6 T_7 T_8 \end{array} \right\rangle \subseteq R_1. \end{aligned}$$

We want to blow up  $X_1$  in the point  $x \in X_1$  having  $z := (0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1) \in \widehat{X}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^8$  as Cox coordinates. Set  $I := \langle T_1, T_3, T_7 \rangle \subseteq R_1$ . By a computation, we have prime elements  $f_i \in R_1$  with multiplicities  $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  where



Assume that we called Algorithm 4.5.3 instead with input  $X_1$ , I and lists  $(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  $(d_1, d_2, d_3)$  where  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = 1$ . First, the call to Algorithm 4.3.2 provides the embedding

$$\overline{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^{11}, \qquad z \mapsto (z, f_1(z), f_2(z), f_3(z))$$

and the stretched CEMDS  $X'_1$ . On  $X'_1$ , we want to blow up the point  $\iota(x)$  with Cox coordinates  $(z, 0, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^{11}$ . The steps of 4.5.3 and its proof then are as follows.

Applying steps three and four, we obtain a modified ES  $X_2$  with a  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded ring

$$R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{12}] / I_2, \qquad I_2 = \left\langle \begin{array}{cc} T_9 T_{12} - T_1, \ T_{10} T_{12} - T_3, \ T_{11} T_{12} - T_7, \\ T_{10}^3 T_{12}^2 T_4^2 T_5 - T_9^2 T_2 T_{12} - T_8 T_{11} \end{array} \right\rangle.$$

Recall from the proof of Algorithm 4.5.3 the monomorphism  $\varphi \colon R_2 \to R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$ induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{12}] \to R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}, \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_i, & 1 \le i \le 8, \\ f_{i-r_1}t^{-v_i}, & 8 < i < 12, \\ t, & i = 12. \end{cases}$$

As predicted, observe that we indeed obtain an inclusion  $R_1[I] \subseteq \varphi(R_2) \subseteq R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  of algebras. By [98, Prop. 7.9, Prop. 7.10], the Rees algebra  $R_1[I]$  and  $\varphi(R_2)$  even coincide:

$$\begin{aligned} R_1[I] &\cong & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8, U_1, U_2, U_3, t] \, / \, \langle g, \, U_1 t - T_1, \, U_2 t - T_3, \, U_3 t - T_7 \rangle, \\ \varphi(R_2) &\cong & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8, \, U_1, \, U_2, \, U_3, \, t] \, / \, \langle g, \, U_1 t - T_1, \, U_2 t - T_3, \, U_3 t - T_7 \rangle, \\ g &:= & U_2^3 T_4^2 T_5 t^2 - U_1^2 T_2 t - U_3 T_8, \end{aligned}$$

Note that the inclusion  $\varphi(R_2) \subseteq R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  is proper as, by a direct computation, we have  $T_7 \in (I^2: J^\infty) \setminus I^2$ . This means  $T_7 t^{-2}$  is an element of  $(R_1[I]^{\text{sat}})_{-2} \setminus \varphi(R_2)_{-2}$ . Then  $T_7 t^{-1}$  is an element of  $\langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}} \cap \varphi(R_2)$  with  $T_7 t^{-1} \notin \langle t \rangle_{\varphi(R_2)}$ . As predicted, the irrelevant ideal  $J \subseteq R_1$  contains the product  $T^{\nu} = T_2 T_4 T_5 T_6 T_8$  over all  $T_i$  with  $x \notin V(X_1; T_i)$ . Passing to localizations, according to Lemma 4.5.5, we have the equality  $R_1[I]_{T^{\nu}} = \varphi(R_2)_{T^{\nu}} = R_1[I]_{T^{\nu}}^{\text{sat}}$  of localized algebras. For instance, we now have

$$T_7 = T_8^{-1} \left( T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 - T_1^2 T_2 \right) \quad \in \quad \left( I^2 : J^\infty \right)_{T^\nu} = \left( I^2 \right)_{T^\nu}$$

Then  $\langle t \rangle_{R_1[I]_{T^{\nu}}^{\text{sat}}} \cap \varphi(R_2)_{T^{\nu}}$  equals  $\langle t \rangle_{\varphi(R_2)_{T^{\nu}}}$  which implies that t is a prime element in  $\varphi(R_2)_{T^{\nu}}$ . Consequently, t and  $T^{\nu}$  are coprime in  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  but not in  $\varphi(R_2)$  as

$$\dim (I_2 + \langle T_{12}, T_8 \rangle_{R_2}) = \dim (I_2 + \langle T_{12} \rangle_{R_2}).$$

Thus, the verification step in Algorithm 4.5.9 with input  $(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  and (1, 1, 1) fails. Had we chosen  $d_3 = 2$ , we would have obtained  $U_2^3 T_4^2 T_5 t - U_1^2 T_2 - U_3 T_8$  instead of g, the codimension test is successful and  $\varphi(R_2) = R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$ . This means the Cox ring of the blow up is the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded ring

$$\mathcal{R}(X_2) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 T_9 - T_1^2 T_2 - T_7 T_8 \rangle.$$

Albeit implied by the proof of Algorithm 4.5.9, we now show directly that the weighted ambient toric blow up induces a blow up of  $X_1$  in x. Let  $P_1 = [v_1, \ldots, v_8]$  be a Gale dual matrix of  $Q_1$ . Then  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v_1, \ldots, \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v_8$  are the rays of the fan  $\Sigma_1$  of the canonical toric ambient variety  $Z_1$  of  $X_1$ . Choose coordinates

$$S_3 := \frac{T_7}{T_2^3 T_4^2 T_5^4 T_6^6 T_8^5}, \qquad S_2 := \frac{T_3}{T_2 T_5 T_6^2 T_8^2}, \qquad S_1 := \frac{T_1}{T_2 T_4 T_5^2 T_6^3 T_8^3}$$

for the affine chart  $(Z_1)_{\sigma}$  with the smooth cone  $\sigma := \operatorname{cone}(v_1, v_3, v_7) \in \Sigma_1$ . Then

$$\mathcal{O}((Z_1)_{\sigma} \cap X_1) = \mathbb{K}[S_1, S_2, S_3] / \langle h \rangle, \quad h := (p_1)_{\star} f = S_2^3 - S_1^2 - S_3.$$

Since  $d_1 = d_2 = 1$  and  $d_3 = 2$ , the blow up of  $X_1$  in x is induced by a weighted blow  $Z_2 \to Z_1$  of the toric ambient variety. By [84, Ex. 2], we have to blow up the sheaf of ideals  $\mathcal{J}$  in  $\mathcal{O}((Z_1)_{\sigma} \cap X_1)$  generated by

$$\langle S_1^2, S_2^2, S_3 \rangle = \langle S_1^2, S_2^2, S_2^3 - S_1^2 \rangle = \langle S_1^2, S_2^2 \rangle$$

where we used the special shape of h. Taking the Proj, by Proposition 1.4.5, we see that this induces the usual blow up of  $X_1$  in x, i.e., Proj  $\mathcal{I} = \operatorname{Proj} \mathcal{J}$  where  $\mathcal{I}$  is the sheaf of ideals in  $\mathcal{O}((Z_1)_{\sigma} \cap X_1)$  generated by  $\langle S_1, S_2 \rangle$ . Note that we blew up a bigger orbit in  $Z_1$  than anticipated; still, the insertion of the respective ray now cuts out  $x \in X_1$ . The following algorithm produces a systematic guess for the generators and their multiplicities  $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  of the Cox ring of a blow up of a Mori dream space.

**Algorithm 4.5.12** (BlowUpCEMDS2). *Input:* a CEMDS  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ , a  $K_1$ -prime ideal I defining an irreducible subvariety  $C \subseteq X_1$  inside the smooth locus.

- Let F and D be empty lists.
- For each  $k = 1, 2, \ldots \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  do
  - compute a set  $G_k$  of generators for  $A_k := I^k : J^\infty \subseteq R_1$ . Let  $f_{k1}, \ldots, f_{kl_i}$  be a maximal subset of pairwise non-associated elements of  $G_k$  with

$$f_{kj} \notin A_1 A_{k-1} + \ldots + A_{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} A_{\lceil \frac{k}{2} \rceil} \quad \text{if } k > 1.$$

- Determine integers  $d_{k1}, \ldots, d_{kl_i} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq k}$  such that  $f_{kj} \in A_{d_{ki}} \setminus A_{d_{ki}+1}$ .
- Add the elements of  $f_{k1}, \ldots, f_{kl_i}$  to F that are not associated to any other element of F. Add the respective integers among  $d_{k1}, \ldots, d_{kl_i}$  to D.
- Run Algorithm 4.5.9 with input  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ , F and D.
- If Algorithm 4.5.9 terminated with  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  and positive verification, return  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ .

*Output (if provided):* the algorithm terminates if and only if  $X_2$  is a Mori dream space. In this case, the CEMDS  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  describes the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  along C. In particular, then the  $K_2$ -graded algebra  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of  $X_2$ .

*Proof.* Note that each  $f_{ki}$  is a  $K_1$ -prime element. Otherwise,  $f_{ki} = f_1 f_2$  with  $K_1$ -homogeneous elements  $f_i \in R_1$ . As I is  $K_1$ -prime,  $f_1$  or  $f_2$  lies in  $A_{k'}$  with k' < k, i.e.,  $f_{ki} \in A_{k'}$ . This contradicts the choice of  $f_{ki}$ .

By Proposition 4.5.2, the Cox ring  $R_2$  of the blow up is isomorphic to the saturated Rees algebra  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$ . After the k-th step,  $(F, T_1, \ldots, T_{r_1}, t)$  are generators for a subalgebra  $B_k \subseteq R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  such that

$$\mathbb{K}\left[\{t\} \cup R_1 \cup A_1 t^{-1} \cup \ldots \cup A_k t^{-k}\right] \subseteq B_k \subseteq \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} A_k t^{-k} = R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}.$$

If the algorithm stops, by the correctness of Algorithm 4.5.9, the output then is a CEMDS describing the blow  $X_2$  with Cox ring  $R_2$ . Vice versa, if  $X_2$  has finitely generated Cox ring, there is  $k_0 \ge 1$  with  $R_1[I]^{\text{sat}} = B_{k_0}$ . Then Algorithm 4.5.9 is called with  $K_1$ -prime non-associated generators for  $\mathcal{R}(X_2) \cong R_1[I]^{\text{sat}}$  and thus terminates with positive verification.

**Remark 4.5.13.** Steps similar to the ones performed in Algorithm 4.5.12 can be used to determine generators and relations of each graded algebra  $A = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} A_k$  if all  $A_k$  are finitely generated  $A_0$ -modules.

We now consider an example where an extra generator (found with Algorithm 4.5.12) with  $d_i > 1$  is needed. Recall that given  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  with gcd(a, b, c) = 1, the weighted projective space  $\mathbb{P}(a, b, c)$  is the complete toric surface with the  $Cl(X) = \mathbb{Z}$ -grading of  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbb{P}(a, b, c)) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_3]$  defined by the degree matrix

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Example 4.5.14** (Blow up of a weighted projective space). We want to compute the Cox ring of the blow up of  $X_1 := \mathbb{P}(3, 4, 5)$  at the general point with Cox coordinates  $z_1 := (1, 1, 1) \in \mathbb{K}^3$ . The lattice ideal of  $z_1$  with respect to  $P_1$  is

$$I(P_1, z_1) = \langle T_2^2 - T_1 T_3, \ T_1^2 T_2 - T_3^2, \ T_1^3 - T_2 T_3 \rangle, \qquad P_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

An application of Algorithm 4.5.9 with the three generators  $(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  of I := $I(P_1, z_1)$  and  $d_i := 1$  for all *i* is unsuccessful: the dimension check fails. However, adding the additional generator

$$f_4 := T_1^5 - 3T_1^2T_2T_3 + T_1T_2^3 + T_3^3 \in I^2: J^\infty$$

with  $d_4 := 2$  to the input, Algorithm 4.5.9 returns the  $\operatorname{Cl}(X_2) = \mathbb{Z}^2$ -graded Cox ring  $R_2 = \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $[z_1]$ . All verifications are positive. The ring is given as  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_2$  with generators for  $I_2$  and the degree matrix being

In Algorithm 4.5.3, the saturation computation may become infeasible. In this case, the following variant can be used to, at least, obtain finite generation.

Algorithm 4.5.15 (Finite generation). Input: a CEMDS  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$ , a  $K_1$ prime ideal  $I = \langle f_1, \ldots, f_l \rangle \subseteq R_1$  with pairwise non-associated  $K_1$ -primes  $f_i$  defining an irreducible subvariety  $C \subseteq X_1$  inside the smooth locus and coprime positive integers  $d_1, \ldots, d_l$  with  $f_i \in I^{d_i} : J^{\infty}$ .

- Compute the stretched CEMDS  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  by applying Algorithm 4.3.2 to  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$  and  $(f_1, \ldots, f_l)$ .
- Define a multiplicity vector  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^{r_1+l}$  by  $v_i := 0$  if  $1 \leq i \leq r_1$  and  $v_i := d_{i-r_1}$  for  $r_1 + 1 \le i \le r_1 + l$ .
- Determine the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  along the ray through  $P'_1 \cdot v$ . Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, P'_1 \cdot v]$ .
- Use Algorithms 2.2.12 and 2.2.13 to compute  $G'_2 := (h_1, \ldots, h_s)$  where  $h_i = p_2^{\star}(p_1')_{\star}(g_i)$  and  $G_1' = (g_1, \dots, g_s)$ . • Choose a system of generators  $G_2$  of an ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{r_2}]$  with
- $\langle G'_2 \rangle : (T_1 \cdots T_{r_2})^\infty \supseteq I_2 \supseteq \langle G'_2 \rangle.$
- Check if dim $(I_2)$  dim $(I_2 + \langle I_i, T_j \rangle) \ge 2$  for all  $i \ne j$ . Check if  $T_{r_2}$  is prime in  $\mathbb{K}[T_j^{\pm 1}; j \ne r_2][T_{r_2}]/I_2$ .

*Output:*  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ . The ES  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  describes the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  along C. If all verifications in the last steps were positive, the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is finitely generated and is given by the  $H_2$ -equivariant normalization of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{r_2}]/I_2$ :  $(T_1\cdots T_{r_2})^\infty.$ 

*Proof.* By the last verification, the exceptional divisor  $D_{r_2} \subseteq X_2$  inherits a local defining equation from the toric ambient variety  $Z_2$ . Thus, the ambient modification is neat in the sense of [51, Def. 5.4]. By [51, Prop. 5.5],  $X_2 \subseteq Z_2$  is a neat embedding. In turn, the dimension checks enable us to use [51, Cor. 2.7]. This completes the proof.  $\square$ 

We will make frequent use of Algorithm 4.5.9 both directly as well as formally in Chapter 5. To close this section, we now use the Cox ring computation 4.5.9 to present the Rees algebras associated to certain binomial ideals in terms of generators and relations; we retrieve [98, Prop. 7.10].

**Definition 4.5.16.** Consider a binomial ideal  $I = \langle T^{\nu_i^+} - T^{\nu_i^-}; i = 1, ..., s \rangle$  in the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and let P be the  $s \times r$  matrix with the rows  $\nu_i^+ - \nu_i^-$ . Then  $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r]$  is graded by the associated abelian group  $K_I := \mathbb{Z}^r / \mathrm{Im}(P^*)$  via  $\deg(T_i) := e_i + \operatorname{Im}(P^*)$ . We say that I is general, if the following properties hold:

(i)  $\deg(T_1), \ldots, \deg(T_r)$  generate a pointed cone in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ ,

- (ii) any r-1 of the deg $(T_i)$  generate  $K_I$  as a group,
- (iii) the ideal I is  $K_I$ -prime,

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(iv) every  $T_j$  defines a  $K_I$ -prime in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$ .

**Corollary 4.5.17.** Compare [98, Prop. 7.10]. Let I be a general binomial ideal in  $R := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with  $K_I$ -prime generators  $f_1, \ldots, f_s$  and consider the ideal

$$I' := \langle SU_i - f_i; i = 1, \dots, s \rangle : S^{\infty} \subset \mathbb{K}[S, U_1, \dots, U_s, T_1, \dots, T_r] =: R'.$$

If S defines a K-prime element in R'/I', not associated to any of the  $U_k$ ,  $T_j$ , then the Rees algebra R[I] is isomorphic to the factor algebra R'/I'.

*Proof.* Let X be any projective toric variety having the K-graded polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  as its Cox ring. Then, according to Algorithm 4.5.9, the ring R'/I' is the Cox ring of the blow up of X at the base point and thus, by Proposition 4.5.2, a saturated Rees algebra. Since R'/I' is generated in the Rees degrees  $0, \pm 1$ , it is the usual rees algebra.

#### 6. Linear generation

In this section, we consider blow ups  $X_2 \to \mathbb{P}_n$  of the projective space  $\mathbb{P}_n$  in k distinct points where the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is generated by proper transforms of hyperplanes. Certain relations to the underlying incidence structures are discussed. As an application, we consider certain blow ups of six special points on  $\mathbb{P}_3$ . Most of this section has been published in [57, Sec. 7] in joint work with J. Hausen and A. Laface

We consider the blow up X of a projective space  $\mathbb{P}_n$  at k distinct points  $x_1, \ldots, x_k$ where k > n + 1. Our focus is on special configurations in the sense that the Cox ring of X is generated by the exceptional divisors and the proper transforms of hyperplanes. We assume that  $x_1, \ldots, x_{n+1}$  are the standard toric fixed points, i.e., we have

$$x_1 = [1, 0, \dots, 0], \qquad \dots, \qquad x_{n+1} = [0, \dots, 0, 1].$$

Now, write  $\mathcal{P} := \{x_1, \ldots, x_k\}$  and let  $\mathcal{L}$  denote the set of all hyperplanes  $\ell \subseteq \mathbb{P}_n$  containing n (or more) points of  $\mathcal{P}$ . For every  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$ , we fix a linear form  $f_\ell \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{n+1}]$  with  $\ell = V(f_\ell)$ . Note that the  $f_\ell$  are homogeneous elements of degree one in the Cox ring of  $\mathbb{P}_n$ .

The idea is now to take all  $T_{\ell}$  where  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$ , as prospective generators of the Cox ring of the blow up X and then to compute the Cox ring using Algorithms 4.3.2, 4.3.8 and 4.3.3. Here comes the algorithmic formulation.

**Algorithm 4.6.1** (LinearBlowUp). *Input:* a collection  $x_1, \ldots, x_k \in \mathbb{P}_n$  of pairwise distinct points.

- Set  $X_1 := \mathbb{P}_n$ , let  $\Sigma_1$  be the fan of  $\mathbb{P}_n$  and  $P_1$  the matrix with columns  $e_0, \ldots, e_n$  where  $e_0 = -(e_1 + \ldots + e_n)$ .
- Compute the set  $\mathcal{L}$  of all hyperplanes through any n points of  $x_1, \ldots, x_k$ , let  $(f_\ell; \ell \in \mathcal{L}')$  be the collection of the  $f_\ell$  different from all  $T_i$ .
- Compute the stretched CEMDS  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  by applying Algorithm 4.3.2 to  $(P_1, \Sigma_1, G_1)$  and  $(f_\ell; \ell \in \mathcal{L}')$ .
- Determine the Cox coordinates  $z'_i \in \mathbb{K}^{r'_1}$  of the points  $x'_i \in X'_1$  corresponding to  $x_i \in X_1$ .
- Let  $\Sigma_2$  be the barycentric subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the cones  $\sigma'_i$ , corresponding to the toric orbits containing  $x'_i = p'_1(z'_i)$ . Write primitive generators for the rays of  $\Sigma_2$  into a matrix  $P_2 = [P_1, B]$ .
- Compute  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$  by applying Algorithm 4.3.8 to  $(P'_1, \Sigma'_1, G'_1)$  and the pair  $(P_2, \Sigma_2)$

• Set  $(P'_2, \Sigma'_2, G'_2) := (P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ . Eliminate all fake relations by applying Algorithm 4.3.3 with option verify. Call the ouput  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ .

*Output:*  $(P_2, \Sigma_2, G_2)$ . If the verifications in the last step were positive, this is a CEMDS describing the blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_n$  at the points  $x_1, \ldots, x_k$ . In particular, the  $K_2$ -graded algebra  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of  $X_2$ .

Besides for the proof of Algorithm 4.6.1, the following lemma will primarily be used in Chapter 5; we have published it in [57, Lem. 6.3].

**Lemma 4.6.2.** Consider Setting 4.2.5. Assume that  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a CEMDS,  $Z_2 \rightarrow Z_1$  arises from a barycentric subdivision of a regular cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma_1$  and  $X_2 \rightarrow X_1$  has as center a point  $x \in X_1 \cap \mathbb{T}^n \cdot z_{\sigma}$ . Let f be the product over all  $T_i$  where  $P_1(e_i) \notin \sigma$ , and choose  $z \in \mathbb{K}^{r_1}$  with  $p_1(z) = x$ . Then  $X_2 \rightarrow X_1$  is the blow up at x provided we have

$$\langle T_i; z_i = 0 \rangle_f + I(P_1, z)_f = \langle T_i; e_i \in \widehat{\sigma} \rangle_f + I(\overline{X}_1)_f \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{r_1}]_f.$$

*Proof.* Compare also [39, Lem. 14.9]. Let  $Z_{1,\sigma} \subseteq Z_1$  be the affine chart given by  $\sigma$  and set  $X_{1,\sigma} := X_1 \cap Z_{1,\sigma}$ . In order to see that the toric blow up  $Z_2 \to Z_1$  induces a blow up  $X_2 \to X_1$ , we have to show

$$\mathfrak{m}_x = I(\mathbb{T}^n \cdot z_{\sigma}) + I(X_{1,\sigma}) \subseteq \Gamma(Z_{1,\sigma}, \mathcal{O}).$$

Consider the quotient map  $p_1: \widehat{Z}_1 \to Z_1$ . Then we have  $p_1^{-1}(Z_{1,\sigma}) = \mathbb{K}_f^{r_1}$  and, since  $\sigma$  is regular,  $\Gamma(p_1^{-1}(Z_{1,\sigma}), \mathcal{O})$  admits units in every  $K_1$ -degree. This implies

$$p_1^*(\mathfrak{m}_x) = \langle T_i; z_i = 0 \rangle_f + I(P_1, z)_f,$$
  
$$p_1^*(I(\mathbb{T}^n \cdot z_\sigma)) = \langle T_i; e_i \in \widehat{\sigma} \rangle_f, \qquad p_1^*(I(X_{1,\sigma})) = I(\overline{X_1})_f.$$

Consequently, the assumption together with injectivity of the pullback map  $p_1^*$  give the assertion.

**Lemma 4.6.3.** In Algorithm 4.6.1, for each  $x_i$  the barycentric subdivision of  $\sigma'_i$  induces a blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $x'_i$ .

*Proof.* Observe that since any point  $x_i$  can be mapped to a toric fixed point by an automorphism of  $\mathbb{P}_n$ , there are *n* hyperplanes in  $\mathcal{L}$  with intersection  $\{x_i\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_n$  for all *i*. Furthermore, note that is suffices to consider  $\mathcal{L}'$  instead of  $\mathcal{L}$  since the  $T_i$  are already present in  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbb{P}_n)$ .

In Algorithm 4.6.1, write  $G'_1 = \{T_{n+1+j} - f_j; 1 \le j \le s\}$ . Since the following left hand side is  $H'_1$ -invariant and contains  $z'_i$ , we have

(5) 
$$\overline{X}'_1 \cap V(T_j; e_j \in \widehat{\sigma}'_i) \supseteq V(I(P'_1, z'_i) + \langle T_j; (z'_i)_j = 0 \rangle) = \overline{H'_1 \cdot z'_i}.$$

Assume that (5) is an equality. Taking ideals, this then implies that  $I(\overline{X}'_1) + \langle T_j; e_j \in \widehat{\sigma}'_i \rangle$  is equal to  $I(P'_1, z'_i)$  as the ideals are linear and thus radical; the claim then follows from Lemma 4.6.2 since  $\sigma'_i$  is smooth. The remainder of this proof is concerned with showing that (5) is an equality. It suffices to compare their dimensions. Write the coefficients of the (linear) generators of  $\mathfrak{b}_i := I(\overline{X}'_1) + \langle T_j; e_j \in \widehat{\sigma}'_i \rangle$  into a matrix  $A_{\mathfrak{b}_i}$ . Then

$$V(\mathbb{K}^{r'_{1}}; \mathfrak{b}_{i}) = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{K}^{r'_{1}}; A_{\mathfrak{b}_{i}} \cdot x = 0 \right\}, \quad \dim\left(V(\mathbb{K}^{r'_{1}}; \mathfrak{b}_{i})\right) = r'_{1} - \operatorname{rank}(A_{\mathfrak{b}_{i}}).$$

Changing coordinates, we may assume that  $x_i = [0, \ldots, 0, 1] \in \mathbb{P}_n$ , i.e., it is cut out by the *n* coordinate hyperplanes  $V(T_1), \ldots, V(T_n) \subseteq \mathbb{P}_n$ . Starting with the rows corresponding to these  $V(T_j) \subseteq \mathbb{P}_n$  followed by the rows corresponding to the

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elements of  $G'_1$ , the matrix  $A_{\mathfrak{b}_i}$  is of shape

$$A_{\mathfrak{b}_i} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ E_n \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \hline \bullet \\ \hline \bullet \\ \hline \bullet \\ \hline E_s \end{bmatrix}$$

where 0 stands for a zero matrix and • for an arbitrary matrix of fitting size. Then  $\operatorname{rank}(A_{\mathfrak{b}_i}) = n+s$  and  $r'_1 = n+1+s$  shows that  $V(\mathbb{K}^{r'_1}; \mathfrak{b}_i)$  is one-dimensional. Let  $n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  be the number of vanishing coordinates of  $z'_i$ . Then  $B = (e_1, \ldots, e_m, e_0)$ , where  $m := r'_1 - n_0 - 1$  and  $e_0 := (-1, \ldots, -1)$ , is a lattice basis for  $\operatorname{Im}((P'_1)^*) \cap \operatorname{lin}(e_j; (z'_i)_j \neq 0)$  as in Definition 4.5.7. Consequently, the lattice ideal  $I(P'_1, z'_i)$  is linear and we conclude

$$\dim \left( V \left( I(P'_1, z'_i) + \langle T_j; (z'_i)_j = 0 \rangle \right) \right) = r'_1 - (m + n_0) = 1.$$

Proof of Algorithm 4.6.1. By Lemma 4.6.3, the modification  $X_2 \to X'_1$  is the blow up at the points  $x'_1, \ldots, x'_k$ . It remains to show that the input ring  $R'_2$  of the last step is normal; this is necessary for Algorithm 4.3.3. We only treat the case k = 1. Consider the stretched ring  $R'_1$  obtained from the third step and the ring  $R_2$  obtained after the sixth step

$$R_1' = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{r_1'}] / \langle G_1' \rangle, \qquad R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{r_1'}, T_{r_2}] / \langle G_2 \rangle$$

where  $T_{r_2}$  corresponds to the exceptional divisor. We assume that of the  $r'_1 - r_1$  new equations  $T_i - f_i$  in  $G'_1$  the last l will result in fake relations in  $G_2$ . Localizing and passing to degree zero, we are in the situation

The upper left ring is  $K_1$ -factorial by assumption. By [15, Thm. 1.1] the middle ring in the lower row is a UFD and the ring on the upper right is  $K_2$ -factorial. Thus,  $R_2$  is  $K_2$ -factorial. Since  $K_1$  is free, also  $K_2$  is, so  $R_2$  is a UFD. In particular,  $R_2$  is normal and we may apply Algorithm 4.3.3.

**Example 4.6.4.** Let X be the blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in the seven points

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &:= [1, 0, 0], \quad x_2 &:= [0, 1, 0], \quad x_3 &:= [0, 0, 1], \\ x_4 &:= [1, 1, 0], \quad x_5 &:= [1, 0, -1], \quad x_6 &:= [0, 1, 1], \\ x_7 &:= [1, 1, 1]. \end{aligned}$$

Write  $S_i$  for the variables corresponding to  $x_i$  and let  $T_1, \ldots, T_9$  correspond to the nine lines in  $\mathcal{L}$ . Algorithm 4.6.1 provides us with the Cox ring of X. It is given as the factor ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9, S_1, \ldots, S_7]/I$  where I is generated by

$2T_8S_4S_6 - T_5S_2 + T_9S_7,$	$2T_1S_3S_6 + T_5S_5 - T_6S_7,$
$2T_4S_1S_6 + T_6S_2 - T_9S_5,$	$-T_1S_2S_6 + T_2S_1S_5 - T_7S_4S_7,$
$2T_7S_3S_4 + T_6S_2 + T_9S_5,$	$-T_2S_5S_3 + T_3S_4S_2 - T_4S_7S_6,$
$2T_3S_1S_4 + T_5S_5 + T_6S_7,$	$T_1 S_2 S_3 + T_8 S_4 S_5 + T_4 S_1 S_7,$
$2T_2S_1S_3 + T_5S_2 + T_9S_7,$	$T_2 T_6 S_3 - T_3 T_9 S_4 - T_4 T_5 S_6,$
$T_3S_1S_2 + T_8S_5S_6 - T_7S_3S_7,$	$T_3 T_9 S_1 - T_5 T_7 S_3 - T_6 T_8 S_6,$
$T_2 T_6 S_1 - T_5 T_7 S_4 + T_1 T_9 S_6,$	$T_4 T_5 S_1 + T_1 T_9 S_3 + T_6 T_8 S_4,$
$T_3 T_7 S_4^2 + T_1 T_4 S_6^2 + T_2 T_6 S_5,$	$T_2 T_7 S_3^2 + T_4 T_8 S_6^2 + T_3 T_9 S_2,$
$T_1 T_2 S_3^2 + T_3 T_8 S_4^2 - T_4 T_5 S_7,$	$T_1 T_3 S_2^2 + T_2 T_8 S_5^2 + T_4 T_7 S_7^2,$
$T_3 T_4 S_1^2 + T_1 T_7 S_3^2 - T_6 T_8 S_5,$	$T_2 T_4 S_1^2 + T_7 T_8 S_4^2 - T_1 T_9 S_2,$

 $T_2T_3S_1^2 + T_1T_8S_6^2 + T_5T_7S_7, \quad T_4T_5^2T_7 + T_2T_6^2T_8 + T_1T_3T_9^2$ 

and the  $\mathbb{Z}^8$ -grading is given by the degree matrix

Г	0	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0 7	
	$^{-1}$	0	-1	0	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	-1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
	-1	$^{-1}$	0	0	0	0	$^{-1}$	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	-1	0	0	0	$^{-1}$	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
	0	0	0	1	-1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	
	$^{-1}$	0	0	-1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
L	. 0	1	0	0	0	-1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	

Before eliminating fake relations, the ideal of the intersection of  $\overline{X}_2$  with the ambient big torus  $\mathbb{T}^{r_2}$  admits the following description in terms of finite geometries. In our setting, similar to [12], we call the pair  $\mathfrak{L} := (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L})$  a *finite linear space* and the finite sets  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  points and lines, respectively. Note that each two points  $p, p' \in \mathcal{P}$ lie on a common line  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$  and, for  $n \geq 2$ , there are three points not lying on a common line. An element  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$  is an *m*-line if it contains exactly *m* points. We call  $\mathfrak{L}$  an (m-)design if each line is a *m*-line. Moreover,  $\mathfrak{L}$  is a *near-pencil* if there are distinct lines  $\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_{n-1} \in \mathcal{L}$  such that all points except one are contained in  $\bigcap \ell_i$ . An *m*-arc is a subset of  $\mathcal{P}$  within which no three points lie on a common line.

**Proposition 4.6.5.** At the end of the fifth step in Algorithm 4.6.1, the Cox ring of  $Z_2$  is the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_{\ell}, S_p]$  with indices  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$  and  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ . Consider the homomorphism

$$\beta \colon \mathbb{K}[T_{\ell}; \, \ell \in \mathcal{L}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_{\ell}, S_p; \, \ell \in \mathcal{L}, \, p \in \mathcal{P}], \qquad T_{\ell} \mapsto T_{\ell} \cdot \prod_{p \in \ell} S_p.$$

Then the extension of the ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{\ell}, S_p]$  to the Laurent polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_{\ell}^{\pm}, S_p^{\pm}]$  is generated by  $\beta(T_{\ell} - f_{\ell})$  where  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}'$ . Moreover, properties of the linear space  $\mathfrak{L} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L})$  lead to properties of  $I_2$  as listed in the following table. The  $\dagger$ -cases require n = 2.

£	property of $R_2$ or $X_2$
design	$I_2$ is classically homogeneous
near pencil	$X_2$ admits a non-trivial $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action
contains $m$ -arc †	$X_2$ contains at least $\binom{m}{2} + k$ many $(-1)$ -curves
$complete \ graph \ \dagger$	$X_2$ is smooth
contains an m-line $\dagger$	$X_2$ contains a $(1-m)$ -curve

*Proof.* Denote the elements of  $\mathcal{L}'$  by  $\ell_i$ . The first statement is directly seen by providing a weak *B*-lifting  $[E_{r'_1}, A]$  in the sense of [10], i.e., we have a matrix *A* fitting into

and the corresponding morphism  $\alpha \colon \mathbb{T}^{r_2} \to \mathbb{T}^{r'_1}$  satisfies  $\alpha^*(g) = p_2^*(p_1)_*(g)$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{r_2}^{\pm 1}]$  for Laurent polynomials  $g \in \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{r'_1}^{\pm 1}]$ .

We come to the claims listed in the table. For the first one, note that all  $\beta(T_{\ell}-f_{\ell})$  are homogeneous and  $I_2$ , as a saturation, is obtained by a Gröbner basis computation. Gröbner bases of homogeneous ideals are again homogeneous, see for example [1, Ex. 1.8.3]. The second statement is due to the fact that, up to monomial factors, the ideal generated by the  $\beta(T_{\ell}-f_{\ell})$  is already of the shape of Construction 1.5.3. Since it is prime, it equals its saturation and therefore  $I_2$ ; hence,  $X_2$  admits a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action by Theorem 1.5.13. For the remaining three claims, as each  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$  has self-intersection number  $\ell^2 = 1$ , blowing up *m* different points on  $\ell$ , the proper transform  $\hat{\ell}$  has self-intersection number  $\hat{\ell}^2 = 1 - m$ , see Proposition 1.4.8.

We now treat blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_3$  in six distinct points  $x_1, \ldots, x_6$ . As before, we assume that  $x_1, \ldots, x_4$  are the standard toric fixed points. We call the point configuration *edge-special* if at least one point of  $\{x_5, x_6\}$  is contained in two different hyperplanes spanned by the other points.

**Theorem 4.6.6.** Let X be the blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_3$  at distinct points  $x_1, \ldots, x_6$  not contained in a hyperplane. Then X is a Mori dream space. Moreover, for the following typical edge-special configurations, we obtain:

(i) For  $x_5 := [1, 1, 0, 0]$ ,  $x_6 := [0, 1, 1, 1]$ , the Cox ring of X is  $\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{16}]/I$  where I is generated by



$2T_4T_{13} - 2T_5T_{16} - 2T_3T_{14},$	$T_4 T_{12} T_{15} - T_2 T_{14} - T_6 T_{16},$
$T_5 T_{12} T_{15} - T_6 T_{13} + T_7 T_{14},$	$T_3 T_{12} T_{15} - T_2 T_{13} - T_7 T_{16},$
$T_5 T_{11} T_{12} - T_9 T_{13} + T_{10} T_{14},$	$T_4 T_{11} T_{12} - T_8 T_{14} - T_9 T_{16},$
$T_3 T_{11} T_{12} - T_8 T_{13} - T_{10} T_{16},$	$T_1 T_{12} T_{13} + T_7 T_{11} - T_{10} T_{15},$
$T_1 T_{12} T_{14} + T_6 T_{11} - T_9 T_{15},$	$T_1 T_{12} T_{16} - T_2 T_{11} + T_8 T_{15},$
$T_5 T_8 - T_3 T_9 + T_4 T_{10},$	$T_2T_5 - T_3T_6 + T_4T_7,$
$T_1 T_5 T_{12}^2 + T_7 T_9 - T_6 T_{10},$	$T_1 T_3 T_{12}^2 + T_7 T_8 - T_2 T_{10},$
$T_1 T_4 T_{12}^2 + T_6 T_8 - T_2 T_9$	

with the  $\mathbb{Z}^7$ -grading given by the degree matrix

Г	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0 -	1
	0	-1	$^{-1}$	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
	-1	0	$^{-1}$	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
	-1	-1	0	-1	0	-1	0	-1	-1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.
	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
L	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	

(ii) For  $x_5 := [2, 1, 0, 0]$ ,  $x_6 := [1, 1, 0, 1]$ , the Cox ring of X is  $\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{15}]/I$  where I is generated by



with the  $\mathbb{Z}^7$ -grading given by the degree matrix

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0 -	1
0	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
-1	0	-1	-1	0	$^{-1}$	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.
-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	J

(iii) For  $x_5 := [1, 0, 0, 1]$ ,  $x_6 := [0, 1, 0, 1]$ , the Cox ring of X is  $\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{13}]/I$  where I is generated by



$$\begin{split} &T_2 T_8 T_{11} - T_6 T_9 + T_7 T_{13}, \ T_2 T_{11} T_{12} - T_4 T_9 + T_5 T_{13}, \\ &T_1 T_9 T_{11} - T_5 T_8 + T_7 T_{12}, \ T_1 T_{11} T_{13} - T_4 T_8 + T_6 T_{12}, \\ &T_1 T_2 T_{11}^2 - T_5 T_6 + T_4 T_7 \end{split}$$

with the  $\mathbb{Z}^7$ -grading given by the degree matrix

Г	- 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0 .	1
I	0	$^{-1}$	$^{-1}$	-1	-1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
ł	-1	0	-1	-1	0	-1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
I	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.
I	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
I	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
L	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.	

(iv) For  $x_5 := [1, 0, 0, 1]$ ,  $x_6 := [0, 1, 1, 0]$ , the Cox ring of X is  $\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{12}]/I$  where I is generated by



$T_3T_8 - T_5T_{12}$	$-T_2T_9$ ,
$T_4 T_7 - T_6 T_{11}$	$-T_1T_{10}$

with the  $\mathbb{Z}^7$ -grading given by the degree matrix

Г	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	٦
	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1.
	-1	-1	-1	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
	0	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	
L	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

(v) For  $x_5 := [2, 1, 0, 0]$ ,  $x_6 := [1, 2, 0, 0]$ , the Cox ring of X is  $\mathcal{R}(X) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{12}]/I$  where I is generated by



 $\begin{aligned} & 3T_2T_7 + 2T_5T_{11} + T_6T_{12}, \\ & 3T_1T_8 + T_5T_{11} + 2T_6T_{12} \end{aligned}$ 

with the  $\mathbb{Z}^7$ -grading given by the degree matrix

Г	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	٦
	0	-1	-1	-1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
	-1	0	-1	-1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.
	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
	0	0	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
L	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	

*Proof.* See [57, Thm. 7.5] for the proof of the first statement. The second part of the theorem is an application of Algorithm 4.6.1.  $\hfill \Box$ 

**Remark 4.6.7.** Algorithm 4.6.1 usually is faster than the lattice ideal approach of Algorithm 4.5.9. For instance, some cases of Theorem 4.6.6 were only feasible using Algorithm 4.6.1.

## CHAPTER 5

# Smooth rational surfaces

In this chapter, we prove that each smooth rational surface of Picard number at most six is a Mori dream space. In terms of Cox rings, we present a complete classification for the case of Picard number at most five and a classification for the surfaces that do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action for Picard number six. All Cox rings are listed explicitly in terms of generators and relations.

Using the fact that each smooth rational surface can be obtained as a blow up of the projective plane  $\mathbb{P}_2$  or the Hirzebruch surface  $\mathbb{F}_a$ , we proceed by the following steps. In Section 1, we classify the needed point configurations on  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $\mathbb{F}_a$ . Afterwards, we use Algorithm 4.5.9 to determine the Cox rings of the (possibly iterated) blow ups of these configurations. For blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$ , we apply Algorithm 4.3.8 in a formal way.

In Sections 2 and 3, we classify the Cox rings of all families of smooth rational surfaces X of Picard number  $\rho(X) \leq 5$ . Eliminating isomorphic surfaces, it turns out that besides  $\overline{M}_{0,5}$  there are only surfaces with a non-trivial K\*-action. In Section 4, we obtain the smooth rational surfaces of Picard number six as blow ups of the surfaces from the previous step. Here, we classify the Cox rings of the surfaces without a non-trivial K\*-action. The result of Section 4 (and the proof of one of the cases) has been published in the paper *Computing Cox rings* together with J. Hausen and A. Laface [57, Sec. 6].

# 1. Point configurations on $\mathbb{P}_2$ and $\mathbb{F}_a$

In this section we classify the point configurations on the projective plane and the Hirzebruch surface which we need to blow up in order to obtain the smooth rational surfaces of Picard number at most six in Sections 2, 3 and 4.

Recall from [5, Rem. III.2.5.5] that we can identify points on a Mori dream space by their *Cox coordinates*. This generalizes homogeneous coordinates on  $\mathbb{P}_n$ .

**Notation 5.1.1.** Let X be a Q-factorial Mori dream space with characteristic space  $p: \hat{X} \to X$  and characteristic quasitorus H. For any  $z \in \hat{X} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  we write  $[z] := p(z) \in X$ . Note that [z] = [z'] if and only if  $z' \in H \cdot z$ . Furthermore, given an ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  that is generated by Cl(X)-homogeneous polynomials  $f_1, \ldots, f_n$ , we write

$$V(X; f_1, \ldots, f_n) := V(X; I) := p\left(V(\widehat{X}; I)\right) \subseteq X.$$

To symbolize point configurations, we draw  $\mathbb{P}_2$  as the big torus (gray) together with its boundary divisors  $V(\mathbb{P}_2; T_i)$  (the black bordering lines). Points are identified by their position on the torus or boundary divisors. For instance, the following picture symbolizes  $\mathbb{P}_2$  with the points [1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0] and [0, 1, 0].

$$V(T_2)$$
  $V(T_1)$   $V(T_3)$ 

configuration	points	
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star)$	$\{[1,0,0]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star i)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star ii)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[1,1,0]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\stari)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1],[1,1,1]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star~ii)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1],[1,1,0]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star\ iii)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[1,1,0],[1,\lambda,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star\star i)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1],[1,1,1],[1,\lambda,\mu]\}$	
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star\star ii)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1],[1,1,1],[1,\lambda,0]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star\stariii)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1],[1,1,0],[1,0,1]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star\star iv)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1],[1,1,0],[1,\lambda,0]\}$	$\bigwedge$
$\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star v)$	$\{[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[1,1,0],[1,\lambda,0],[1,\mu,0]\}$	

**Proposition 5.1.2.** Each configuration of at most five distinct points on  $\mathbb{P}_2$  can be moved by an automorphism of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  to one of the following configurations. Occurring parameters are distinct elements of  $\mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ .

**Remark 5.1.3.** Given triples  $(p_1, p_2, p_3)$  and  $(q_1, q_2, q_3)$  of non-collinear points in  $\mathbb{P}_2$ , there is exactly one projective linear transformation mapping the  $p_i$  to the  $q_i$ .

Proof of Proposition 5.1.2. Exemplarily, we treat the case of five distinct points  $p_1, \ldots, p_5 \in \mathbb{P}_2$ . Case 1: There is no line in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  containing three of the points. By Remark 5.1.3, we can move  $p_1, p_2$  and  $p_3$  to the standard toric fixed points [1, 0, 0],

[0, 1, 0] and  $[0, 0, 1] \in \mathbb{P}_2$ . Applying a suitable torus element, we additionally achieve that  $p_4$  is as claimed in  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star i)$ .

Case 2: There is a line in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  containing exactly three of the points. Subcase A: No other line in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  contains three points. We may assume that the line contains  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$  and  $p_4$ . After a projective transformation, we have

 $p_1 = [1, 0, 0], \quad p_2 = [0, 1, 0], \quad p_3 = [0, 0, 1], \quad p_4 = [1, \lambda, 0], \quad p_5 = [1, \mu, \nu].$ 

Scaling  $p_5$  with a torus element, we arrive at the configuration  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star ii)$ . Subcase B: There is an additional line in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  containing three of the points. We may assume that  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$  and  $p_4$  are elements of one line and  $p_1$ ,  $p_3$  and  $p_5$  lie on the other line. After a projective transformation, we have

 $p_1 = [1,0,0], \quad p_2 = [0,1,0], \quad p_3 = [0,0,1], \quad p_4 = [1,\lambda,0], \quad p_5 = [1,0,\mu].$ 

Scaling  $p_4$  and  $p_5$  with a torus element leads to the configuration  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star iii)$ . Case 4: There is a line in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  containing exactly four of the points. We may assume that the line contains all points except  $p_3$ . After a projective transformation, we have

$$p_1 = [1, 0, 0], \quad p_2 = [0, 1, 0], \quad p_3 = [0, 0, 1], \quad p_4 = [1, \lambda, 0], \quad p_5 = [1, \mu, 0].$$

Scaling  $p_5$  with a torus element, we arrive at the configuration  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star iv)$ .

Case 5: There is a line in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  containing all points. After a projective transformation, we have

$$p_1 = [1, 0, 0], \quad p_2 = [0, 1, 0], \quad p_3 = [1, \lambda, 0], \quad p_4 = [1, \mu, 0], \quad p_5 = [1, \nu, 0].$$
  
Scaling  $p_5$  with a torus element, we arrive at the configuration  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star \nu).$ 

Recall that, given  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , the *a*-th Hirzebruch surface is the complete toric surface  $\mathbb{F}_a$  corresponding to the following complete fan with its rays generated by the columns of P

$$(0,1) \qquad P := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$(-1,-a) \qquad Q := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbb{F}_a) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_4]$  is graded by  $\operatorname{Cl}(\mathbb{F}_a) = \mathbb{Z}^2$  via  $\operatorname{deg}(T_i) = Q(e_i)$ . Similar to  $\mathbb{P}_2$ , we draw  $\mathbb{F}_a$  as the big torus (gray) together with its boundary divisors  $V(\mathbb{F}_a; T_i)$  (the black bordering lines). Points are given in Cox coordinates as in 5.1.1 and are drawn according to their position on the torus or boundary divisors. For instance, the points  $[0, 1, 0, 1] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  and  $[0, 1, 1, 1] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  are drawn as follows.

$$V(T_1) \underbrace{V(T_3)}_{V(T_4)} V(T_2)$$

Note that the self-intersection numbers of the  $V(\mathbb{F}_a; T_i)$  are a for i = 3, -a for i = 4 and zero for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , see [28, Thm. 10.4.4].

**Proposition 5.1.4.** Let  $a \ge 2$ . Each configuration of at most  $\min(a + 1, 4)$  distinct points on  $\mathbb{F}_a$  can be moved by an automorphism of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  to one of the following configurations. Occurring parameters are distinct elements of  $\mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ .

configuration	points	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star i)$	$\{[0, 1, 0, 1]\}$	

$\mathbb{F}_a(\star~ii)$	$\{[1,0,0,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\stari)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star~ii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[0,1,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star~iii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star \ iv)$	$\{[0,1,1,0],[1,0,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star \ v)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[0,1,1,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star i)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[0,1,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star ii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[0,1,1,0],[1,0,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\stariii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[1,1,0,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star iv)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[0,1,1,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star v)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[0,1,1,0],[0,1,1,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star vi)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[0,1,1,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star vii)$	$\{[0,1,1,0],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star viii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star ix)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[0,1,1,1],[0,1,1,\lambda]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star x)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[1,1,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star xi)$	$\{[0,1,1,0],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,0,1]\}$	

$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star xii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,0,1]\}$	•
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star~i)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[1,1,0,1],[1,\lambda,0,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star~ii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,0,1],[1,\lambda,0,1]\}$	•••
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star~iii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,0,1],[1,\lambda,1,0]\}$	•
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star iv)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,1,0],[\lambda,\lambda,1,0]\}$	••••
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star v)$	$\{[0,1,1,0],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,1,0],[1,\lambda,1,0]\}$	• • • •
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star vi)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[1,1,0,1],[0,1,1,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\starvii)$	$\{[0, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\starviii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,1,0],[0,1,1,1]\}$	•
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star\ ix)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,0,1],[0,1,1,1]\}$	•
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star x)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[0,1,1,0],[1,0,1,0],[1,1,0,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\starxi)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,1,0],[0,1,1,0],[1,1,1,0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\starxii)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[0,1,1,0],[1,1,0,1]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star\ xiii)$	$\{[0, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 1, 0]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star xiv)$ $\kappa\in\mathbb{K}^*$	$\{[0,1,0,1], [1,0,0,1], [0,1,1,1], [1,0,1,\kappa]\}$	
$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star xv)$	$\{[0,1,0,1],[1,0,0,1],[0,1,1,0],[1,0,1,1]\}$	



**Lemma 5.1.5.** Let  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  be Mori dream surfaces. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i)  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are isomorphic.
- (ii)  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  are isomorphic as  $\operatorname{Cl}(X_i)$ -graded algebras.
- (iii) The affine  $H_{X_i}$ -varieties  $\overline{X}_1$  and  $\overline{X}_2$  are isomorphic.

In particular, each  $H_i$ -equivariant automorphism of  $\overline{X}_i$  is an  $H_i$ -equivariant automorphism of  $\widehat{X}_i$ .

*Proof.* The equivalence between the last two statements is Proposition 1.1.3 or [5, Thm. I.2.2.4]. We only need to show that (iii) implies (i). Let  $(\varphi, \tilde{\varphi})$  be an isomorphism between the affine  $H_i$ -varieties  $\overline{X}_1$  and  $\overline{X}_2$ . Then both  $\hat{X}_2$  and  $\varphi(\hat{X}_1)$  are open,  $H_2$ -invariant subsets of  $\overline{X}_2$  such that the complement in  $\overline{X}_2$  is of codimension at least two, the good quotient by  $H_2$  exists and is projective. Since  $X_2$  is a surface, we obtain  $\varphi(\hat{X}_1) = \hat{X}_2$ .

**Lemma 5.1.6.** Let H be the characteristic torus of  $\mathbb{F}_a$ .

(i) Given A ∈ GL(2, K), we have an H-equivariant automorphism of F<sub>a</sub> ⊆ K<sup>4</sup> given by

 $\varphi_A \colon \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a \to \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a, \quad (z_1, \dots, z_4) \mapsto (y_1, y_2, z_3, z_4), \quad y := A \cdot (z_1, z_2).$ 

(ii) For each  $t := (t_a, t_{a-1}, \dots, t_0) \in \mathbb{K}^{a+1}$ , we have an *H*-equivariant automorphism

$$\varphi_t \colon \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a \to \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a, \qquad z \mapsto \left( z_1, z_2, z_3 + z_4 \cdot \sum_{k=0}^a t_k z_1^k z_2^{a-k}, z_4 \right).$$

*Proof.* By Lemma 5.1.5, it suffices to show that  $\varphi_A$  and  $\varphi_t$  are *H*-equivariant automorphisms of  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_a$ . Both  $\varphi_A$  and  $\varphi_t$  are *H*-equivariant since  $\varphi_A^*$  and  $\varphi_t^*$  are  $\operatorname{Cl}(\mathbb{F}_a)$ -graded; compare [6, Cor. 2.3]. The inverse map for (i) is given by  $w \mapsto$ 

 $(x_1, x_2, w_3, w_4)$  with  $x := A^{-1}(w_1, w_2)$ . In (ii), given a vector  $w \in \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a$ , the inverse map assigns  $w_3 - (t_a w_1^a + \ldots + t_0 w_2^a)$  to  $w_3$  and is the identity on the other entries.

Proof of Proposition 5.1.4. We treat exemplarily the case of four points and  $a \ge 3$ . Let  $p_1, \ldots, p_4 \in \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a$  be Cox coordinates for the four points on  $\mathbb{F}_a$ . Consider the  $4 \times 4$  matrix  $B := [p_1, \ldots, p_4]$  where we may assume that  $\operatorname{rank}([p_1, p_2]) = \operatorname{rank}([p_i, p_j])$  for all i, j. In the case of  $\operatorname{rank}([p_1, p_2]) = 2$  and of  $\operatorname{rank}([p_1, p_2]) = 1$ , respectively, choose  $A \in \operatorname{GL}(2, \mathbb{K})$  such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \\ \hline \\ E_2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \bullet & \bullet \\ 1 & 0 & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \bullet & \bullet \\ 1 & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $E_2$  is the 2×2 unit matrix and • stands for an element of K. By Lemma 5.1.6, the map corresponding to the above matrix multiplication is an automorphism. Write  $q_1, \ldots, q_4$  for the columns of the resulting matrix. It suffices to treat the case a = 3 and rank $([q_1, q_2]) = 2$ , i.e., we have  $q_{11} = q_{22} = 0$  and  $q_{12} = q_{21} = 1$ . We now look for  $t = (t_3, \ldots, t_0) \in \mathbb{K}^4$  such that the automorphism  $\varphi_t$  defined in Lemma 5.1.6(ii) moves as many  $q_i$  to  $V(\mathbb{F}_a; T_3)$  as possible. Given  $z \in \mathbb{K}^4$ , we have

$$\varphi_t(z) \in V\left(\widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a; T_3\right) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad -z_3 = t_3 z_1^3 z_4 + t_2 z_1^2 z_2 z_4 + t_1 z_1 z_2^2 z_4 + t_0 z_2^3 z_4$$

by definition of  $\varphi_t$ . Thus, in the last equation, substituting  $q_i$  for z we look for solutions of the linear system of equations

$$A \cdot t = b, \qquad (A,b) := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & q_{14} & -q_{13} \\ q_{24} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -q_{23} \\ q_{34}q_{31}^2 & q_{34}q_{31}^2 q_{32}^2 & q_{34}q_{32}^2 & q_{34}q_{32}^3 & -q_{33} \\ q_{44}q_{41}^2 & q_{44}q_{41}q_{42}^2 & q_{44}q_{41}q_{42}^2 & q_{44}q_{42}^2 & -q_{43} \end{bmatrix}.$$

We say that two points  $q_i$  and  $q_j$  lie in a fiber if  $q_{i1}q_{j2} = q_{i2}q_{j1}$ . If all  $q_{i4} \neq 0$ , replacing  $q_{i3}$  by  $q_{i3}q_{i4}^{-1}$ , we may assume that  $q_{i4} = 1$  for all *i*. Then the rank of A equals the number of different fibers the points lie in:

$$\operatorname{rank}(A) = 2 + \operatorname{rank}\left(\left[\begin{array}{cc} q_{31}^2 q_{32} & q_{31} q_{32}^2 \\ q_{41}^2 q_{42} & q_{41} q_{42}^2 \end{array}\right]\right) = \begin{cases} 4, & \operatorname{exactly} 4 \text{ fibers with one point,} \\ 3, & \operatorname{exactly} 1 \text{ fiber with two points,} \\ 2, & \operatorname{exactly} 2 \text{ fibers with two points} \end{cases}$$

In particular, the system At = b is solvable if there are four different fibers containing exactly one point and we can move rank(A) many points to  $V(\mathbb{F}_a; T_3)$  by an automorphism  $\varphi_t$ . To achieve the shown coordinates, one can move general points in  $V(\mathbb{F}_a; T_3)$  and  $V(\mathbb{F}_a; T_4)$  simultaneously or in all fibers simultaneously either by the automorphism  $\varphi_A$  of Lemma 5.1.6 or using a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. We treat exemplarily configuration  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star xiv)$ . Here, we are in the case rank(A) = 2, i.e., after the aforementioned transformation, the points are

$$q_1 = [0, 1, 0, 1],$$
  $q_2 = [1, 0, 0, 1],$   $q_3 = [0, b_2, b_3, b_4],$   $q_4 = [c_1, 0, c_2, c_3],$   
with  $b_i, c_j \in \mathbb{K}^*$ . Note that there are  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -actions

$$\mathbb{K}^* \times \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a \to \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a, \qquad (t,z) \mapsto (tz_1, tz_2, z_3, t^{-a}z_4), \\ \mathbb{K}^* \times \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a \to \widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a, \qquad (t,z) \mapsto (z_1, z_2, tz_3, tz_4).$$

In particular, we see that  $q_1 = [0, k_2, 0, k_4]$  and  $q_2 = [l_1, 0, 0, l_4]$  for any  $k_i, l_j \in \mathbb{K}^*$ . Thus, scaling the last components of the listed Cox coordinates for  $q_3$  and the first component of the Cox coordinates for  $q_4$ , we obtain the points  $\{q_1, q_2, q'_3, q'_4\}$  as shown in the table where

$$q'_3 := [0, 1, 1, 1], \qquad q'_4 := \left[1, 0, \frac{c_3}{b_3}, \frac{c_4}{b_4}\right] = [1, 0, 1, \kappa], \qquad \kappa := \frac{b_3 c_4}{b_4 c_3} \in \mathbb{K}^*.$$

#### **2.** Smooth rational surfaces with $\rho(X) \leq 4$

Building on the classification of point configurations in Section 1, we classify the smooth rational surfaces of Picard number at most four in terms of their Cox rings. The idea is a stepwise application of Algorithm 4.3.8 in the following formal way.

**Remark 5.2.1** (Formal blow up). Consider a smooth, two-dimensional CEMDS  $X_1 = (G_1, P_1, \Sigma_1)$  with free class group  $K_1$ . Let  $X_2$  be the blow up of  $X_1$  in a point  $x \in X_1$  with Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^{r_1}$ . We guess and verify a candidate for  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  by the following steps.

- Choose prime elements  $f_1, \ldots, f_l \in I(P_1, z) + \langle T_j; z_j = 0 \rangle$  in  $R_1$ .
- Compute the stretched CEMDS  $X'_1$  by the steps of Algorithm 4.3.2 with input  $f_1, \ldots, f_l$ .
- Formally apply Algorithm 4.3.8 with option verify:
  - compute the ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r_2}]$  and show that it is saturated with respect to  $T_{r_2}$ ,
  - show that  $\langle T_{r_2} \rangle + I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{r_2}]$  is a prime ideal,
  - show that the codimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_{r_2}, T_i)$  is at least two for all  $i < r_2$  and that  $T_i$  is not associated to  $T_j$  for  $i \neq j$ .
- Prove that the performed modification was a blow up.
- Remove redundant generators with Algorithm 4.3.3 if necessary.

For details and correctness of the steps we refer to the proofs of the respective algorithms in Chapter 4, Theorem 4.2.6 and Proposition 4.1.4. In the following, we will only cite Theorem 4.2.6 when referring to the correctness of this procedure.

Notation 5.2.2. Denote by the prefix Bl the blow up of a point configuration. For instance, Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star ii)$  is the blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in the configuration  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star ii)$  defined in Proposition 5.1.2. Iterated blow ups are indicated by exponents and consecutive numbers; for example Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$  stands for (the second occurrence of) a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in three infinitely near points.

**Remark 5.2.3.** Each smooth rational surface X can be obtained as a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  or as a blow up of the Hirzebruch surface  $\mathbb{F}_a$  where  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ; see [14, Thm. V.10]. Note that  $\mathbb{F}_0 = \mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_1$  and  $\mathbb{F}_1 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star)$ . Moreover, each blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_1$  is isomorphic to a blow up of  $\mathbb{F}_1$ . In particular, it is a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in two points.

**Proposition 5.2.4.** Let X be a smooth rational surface with Picard number  $\rho(X) = 2$ . Then X is isomorphic to exactly one of the following.

X	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_4]$	$\left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$
$\mathbb{F}_{a}, \\ a \neq 1$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_4]$	$\left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 1 & 0 & -a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$

*Proof.* By Remark 5.2.3, the surface X can either be obtained as a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in one point or we have  $X = \mathbb{F}_a$  with  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . By Proposition 5.1.2,  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star)$  is the only configuration we need to consider. Clearly,  $\mathbb{F}_1 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star)$  and  $\mathbb{F}_a$  is not isomorphic to the toric variety Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star)$  for  $a \neq 1$ .

**Proposition 5.2.5.** Let X be a smooth rational surface with Picard number  $\rho(X) = 3$ . Then X is isomorphic to exactly one of the following.

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X	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_5]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_5]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_5]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -a+1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right]$

The following lemma helps us to identify Gale dual matrices also for the case of formal parameters.

**Lemma 5.2.6.** Let P be an integral  $n \times r$  matrix with rank P = n and r > n. Assume  $\mathbb{Z}^r/\text{Im}(P^*)$  is free. Then an integral  $(r-n) \times r$  matrix Q is a Gale dual matrix of P if all of the following conditions hold.

- (i) We have  $\operatorname{rank}(Q) = r n$ .
- (ii) Each row of Q is an element of  $\ker(P)$ .
- (iii) For each  $1 \le k \le n$ , the  $k \times k$ -minors of Q are coprime.

*Proof.* By (ii), the lattice  $L \leq \mathbb{Z}^r$  spanned by the rows of Q is contained in ker(P). Due to (i), the saturated lattice satisfies  $L^{\text{sat}} = \text{ker}(P)$ . The third condition means that the elementary divisors of L are all equal to one, i.e.,  $L^{\text{sat}} = L$ .

**Remark 5.2.7.** Let X be a smooth rational surface. By [14], each negative curve C on X is an exceptional divisor and therefore smooth. In particular, the proper transform of C under the blow up  $X' \to X$  of X in a point  $x \in C$  is a  $(C^2-1)$ -curve, see Proposition 1.4.8.

Proof of Proposition 5.2.5. By Remark 5.2.3, each smooth rational surface X with Picard number  $\rho(X) = 3$  can be obtained as a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in two points or as the blow up of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  in one point where  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$ . The configurations we need to consider are listed in Propositions 5.1.2 and 5.1.4.

We now compute the Cox rings of the listed surfaces. The variety Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)$  is a blow up of  $Z' := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star)$  in a point in the exceptional divisor. As a toric variety, Z' is given by a fan  $\Sigma'$  with its rays generated by the columns of

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad (0,1) \qquad (1,1) \qquad (1,0)$$

The exceptional divisor of Z' is  $V(Z'; T_4)$  which consists of the toric orbits through the points

$$[1,0,1,0], [1,1,0,0], [1,1,1,0] \in Z'.$$

Note that we can move both the third point and the second point to the first point by using the respective equivariant automorphisms

$$z \mapsto (z_1, z_2 - z_3, z_3, z_4), \quad z \mapsto (z_1, z_3, z_2, z_4)$$

of  $\widehat{Z}'$ , compare Lemma 5.1.5. Thus, Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)$  is the toric variety with its fan given by the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'$  at  $(2,1) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ . The surfaces Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star ii)$  are obtained from  $\mathbb{F}_a$  by stellar subdivision of the fan of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  at  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  where v = (-1, -a+1) or v = (-1, -a-1), respectively. By Lemma 5.2.6, the degree matrices of the Cox rings  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$  of Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star i)$ and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star ii)$  are Gale dual matrices of

$$[P, v], \qquad P := \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} ^{-1} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ ^{-a} & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right].$$

Note that Bl  $\mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star i)$  is isomorphic to Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star ii)$  for each  $a \geq 2$ : as toric varieties both surfaces share the same fan



Hence, we may remove Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star ii)$  from the list. Observe that we also may omit Bl  $\mathbb{F}_2(\star i)$ . Let Z be the blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in the fixed point [0,0,1]. Blowing up the fixed point  $[0,1,1,0] \in Z$ , we obtain the toric variety Bl  $\mathbb{F}_2(\star i)$ . Therefore, Bl  $\mathbb{F}_2(\star i)$  is isomorphic to Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)$ .

To show that the remaining listed surfaces X are pairwise non-isomorphic, we compare the self-intersection numbers of negative curves. These come from toric divisors, i.e., are of the form  $V(X; T_i)$ . See also Remark 5.2.7.

X	$V(T_{1})^{2}$	$V(T_{2})^{2}$	$V(T_{3})^{2}$	$V(T_{4})^{2}$	$V(T_{5})^{2}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)$	$\geq 0$	-1	$\geq 0$	-2	-1
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star)$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-1	-1	-1
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star i)$ , $a \ge 3$	-1	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-1

**Proposition 5.2.8.** Let X be a smooth rational surface with Picard number  $\varrho(X) = 4$ . Then X is isomorphic to exactly one of the following.

V	$C_{orr} \min \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{X})$	dograo matrix
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_6]$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$	$\begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]/I \\ with \ I \ generated \ by \\ T_3^2T_4 - T_1T_2 - T_6T_7 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star i)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_6]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_6]$	$\left[ \begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star i)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_6]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$

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Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star ii)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_2T_4 - T_1T_5 - T_6T_7 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_6]$	$\left[\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & a-3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & a-3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a-2 & -1 & -1 \end{array}\right]$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]/I$ with I generated by $T_6T_7 - T_2^aT_4 + T_3T_5$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_6]$	$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -a+2 & a-1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$
$\frac{1}{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_6]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$

In particular, the cases  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ ,  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star ii)$  and  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v)$  are non-toric  $\mathbb{K}^*\text{-surfaces}.$  The remaining surfaces are toric.

For the proof of Proposition 5.2.8, to avoid redundancies, we must be able to test surfaces for being isomorphic. We give a solution for toric and non-toric  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces. Afterwards, we provide easy to check conditions on whether an ambient modification was a blow up and on when a point in the total coordinate space is relevant.

Notation 5.2.9. Let A and B be  $n \times r$  matrices. We write A = B if A equals B up to permutation of the columns.

**Remark 5.2.10.** Let Z and Z' be complete toric surfaces. Write primitive generators for the rays of their fans into the columns of matrices  $P_Z$  and  $P_{Z'}$ . Then

$$Z_1 \cong Z_2 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad A \cdot P_Z \rightleftharpoons P_{Z'} \quad \text{for some } A \in \mathrm{GL}(2,\mathbb{Z}).$$

Algorithm 5.2.11 (Toric surface isomorphism test). Input:  $2 \times r$  matrices  $P_Z =$  $[p_1,\ldots,p_r]$  and  $P_{Z'}=[p'_1,\ldots,p'_r]$  as in Remark 5.2.10 such that both the  $p_1,\ldots,p_r$ and  $p'_1, \ldots, p'_r$  contain a lattice basis for  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ .

- Choose a lattice basis (p<sub>i1</sub>, p<sub>i2</sub>) for Z<sup>2</sup>.
  If there is an ordered lattice basis (p'<sub>j1</sub>, p'<sub>j2</sub>) for Z<sup>2</sup> such that A<sub>j1j2</sub> · P<sub>Z</sub> ≓ P<sub>Z'</sub> with the invertible matrix A<sub>j1j2</sub> := [p'<sub>j1</sub>, p'<sub>j2</sub>] · [p<sub>i1</sub>, p<sub>i2</sub>]<sup>-1</sup>, then return true. Otherwise, return false.

*Output:* true if Z is isomorphic to Z' and false otherwise.

*Proof.* Each  $A \in GL(2,\mathbb{Z})$  maps a lattice basis to a lattice basis, i.e.,  $A \cdot [p_{i_1}, p_{i_2}] \rightleftharpoons$  $[p'_{j_1}, p'_{j_2}]$  which means  $A = A_{j_1, j_2}$ . Thus, the algorithm runs through all possibilities of Remark 5.2.10. 

Algorithm 5.2.12 (Classify toric blow ups). Input: the fan  $\Sigma_0$  of a complete toric surface  $Z_0$  and an integer  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ .

• Initialize lists  $L_0 := (\Sigma_0)$  and  $L_i := \emptyset$  for  $i \in \{1, \ldots, s\}$ .

- For each i = 0, 1, ..., s 1 do
  - for each  $\Sigma \in L_i$  do
    - \* for each maximal cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  do
      - perform the barycentric subdivision  $\Sigma' \to \Sigma$  of  $\Sigma$  at  $\sigma$ .
      - Use Algorithm 5.2.11 to test whether there is  $\Sigma'' \in L_{i+1}$ such that the toric variety  $Z_{\Sigma''}$  is isomorphic to  $Z_{\Sigma'}$ . Insert  $\Sigma'$  into  $L_{i+1}$  if this is not the case.

*Output:*  $L_s$ . This is a list of the fans of all complete toric surfaces that can be obtained from  $Z_0$  by s blow up steps. Of these surfaces, no two are isomorphic.

We now turn to methods for testing whether two  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces are isomorphic. We use the fact that, in the sense of Proposition 1.5.8, *admissible* operations preserve the shape of the blocks of the *P*-matrices corresponding to the surfaces; compare Construction 1.5.2.

**Remark 5.2.13.** Consider  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces X = X(P, A) and X' = X(P', A') as in Construction 1.5.2. Assume that the Cox rings are of shape

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}(X) &= \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{n+m}] / \langle g \rangle, \qquad g := c_0 T^{l_0} + c_1 T^{l_1} + c_2 T^{l_2}, \\ \mathcal{R}(X') &= \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{n+m}] / \langle g' \rangle, \qquad g' := c_0' T^{l_0'} + c_1' T^{l_1'} + c_2' T^{l_2'} \end{aligned}$$

with  $c_i, c'_i \in \mathbb{K}^*$  and integral vectors  $l_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n_i}$ ,  $l'_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n'_i}$ . By Remark 1.5.9, X and X' are isomorphic if and only if  $P' = S \cdot P \cdot U$  with admissible matrices S, U. In particular, up to permutation, the sets of exponent vectors of g and of g' coincide:

 $\{\sigma_0(l_0), \sigma_1(l_1), \sigma_2(l_2)\} = \{l'_0, l'_1, l'_2\}$  for some  $\sigma_i \in \text{Sym}(n_i)$ .

**Algorithm 5.2.14** ( $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface isomorphism test). *Input:*  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces  $X_1, X_2$  as in Remark 5.2.13 with  $\operatorname{Cl}(X_i) = \mathbb{Z}^k$  for both *i*. Let  $Q_i$  be the  $k \times (n+m)$  degree matrices of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$ 

- Return *false* if the criterion of Remark 5.2.13 fails.
- As in Algorithm 5.2.11, compute all matrices  $A \in \operatorname{GL}(k,\mathbb{Z})$  such that  $A \cdot Q_1 \cdot U_A = Q_2$  with a permutation matrix  $U_A \in \operatorname{GL}(n+m,\mathbb{Z})$ .
- Return *true* if one of the matrices  $U_A$  is admissible and *false* otherwise.

*Output:* true if  $X_1 \cong X_2$  and false otherwise.

*Proof.* Let  $X_i = X(P_i, A_i)$  be as in Construction 1.5.2. Then  $Q_i$  is a Gale dual matrix for  $P_i$ . Assume  $X_1$  is isomorphic to  $X_2$ . By Remark 1.5.9, there is an admissible matrix  $S \in GL(3, \mathbb{Z})$  and an admissible permutation matrix  $U \in GL(n + m, \mathbb{Z})$  such that  $P_2 = S \cdot P_1 \cdot U$ . Then  $Q'_2 := Q_1(U^{-1})^t = Q_1U$  satisfies  $P_2(Q'_2)^t = 0$ . Hence, both  $Q_2$  and  $Q'_2$  have a basis for ker $(P_2)$  as their rows, i.e.

$$Q_2 = A \cdot Q'_2 = A \cdot Q_1 \cdot U$$
 for some  $A \in GL(k, \mathbb{Z})$ .

Similarly, for the reverse implication, assume that  $Q_2 = A' \cdot Q_1 \cdot U'$  with  $A' \in \operatorname{GL}(k,\mathbb{Z})$  and an admissible permutation matrix  $U' \in \operatorname{GL}(n+m,\mathbb{Z})$ . Then  $P'_2 := P_1 \cdot ((U')^{-1})^t$  satisfies  $P'_2 \cdot Q_2^t = 0$ , i.e.

 $P_2 = S' \cdot P'_2$  for some  $S' \in \operatorname{GL}(n+m-k,\mathbb{Z}).$ 

Since U' is admissible, both  $P'_2$  and  $P_2 = S' \cdot P'_2$  are in block shape as in Construction 1.5.2. Therefore, the only possible row operations performed by multiplying S' from the left is adding multiples of the upper r rows to the lower ones, i.e., S' is admissible.

**Lemma 5.2.15.** Consider Setting 4.2.5. Assume that  $X_1 \subseteq Z_1$  is a Mori dream space embedded in its canonical toric ambient variety,  $Z_2 \rightarrow Z_1$  arises from a

barycentric subdivision of a regular cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma_1$  and  $X_2 \to X_1$  has as center a point  $x \in X_1 \cap (\mathbb{T}^n \cdot z(\sigma))$  with Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$ . Then  $X_2 \to X_1$  is the blow up at x provided the following conditions are fulfilled.

- (i) The grading group  $K_1$  is free.
- (ii) The ideal  $I(\overline{X}_1) + \langle T_i; z_i = 0 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[\underline{T}_1, \dots, T_{r_1}]$  is prime.
- (iii) The torus  $H_1 := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K_1]$  and  $\overline{X}_1 \cap V(T_i; z_i = 0)$  are of the same dimension.

*Proof.* Write  $J_1 := I(\overline{X}_1) + \langle T_i; z_i = 0 \rangle$  and  $Y := V(\mathbb{K}^r; J_1)$ . Since  $z \in Y$ , also the orbit closure  $\overline{H_1 \cdot z}$  is contained in Y. It can be described as

$$\overline{H_1 \cdot z} = V(\mathbb{K}^r; J_2), \qquad J_2 := I(P_1, z) + \langle T_i; z_i = 0 \rangle.$$

By conditions (ii) and (iii), Y is irreducible and of the same dimension as  $V(\mathbb{K}^r; J_2)$ , which shows  $Y = V(\mathbb{K}^r; J_2)$ . Again by (ii), we conclude  $J_1 = \sqrt{J_2}$ . Since the grading group is free, by [82, Thm. 7.4],  $I(P_1, z)$  is a prime ideal in the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_j; z_j \neq 0]$ . The integral domain  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/J_2$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{K}[T_j; z_j \neq 0]/I(P_1, z)$ , so we arrive at  $J_1 = J_2$ . An application of Lemma 4.6.2 concludes the proof.

Lemma 5.2.16. Consider Setting 4.2.9.

- (i) Consider  $z \in \overline{X}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r_1}$ . If  $z_i = 0$  for exactly one  $1 \leq i \leq r_1$ , then  $z \in \widehat{X}_1$ .
- (ii) If  $X_1$  is a surface, then  $\widehat{X}'_1 = \overline{\iota}(\widehat{X}_1)$ .

Proof. Let  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^{r_1}$ . Given a face  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$ , write  $T_{\gamma_0} \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  for the product of all  $T_i$  with  $e_i \in \gamma_0$ . By the construction of bunched rings 1.3.6, each facet  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$ is a relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face and  $\widehat{X}_1$  equals the union of all  $\overline{X}_1 \setminus V(\overline{X}_1; T_{\gamma_0})$  where  $\gamma_0 \leq \gamma$ runs through the relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces. Choosing  $\gamma_0 := \operatorname{cone}(e_i; z_i \neq 0)$  proves the first assertion. For (ii), consider the diagram

with the characteristic quasitorus  $H_1$  of  $X_1$ . Since  $X_1$  is a surface,  $\widehat{X}_1 \subseteq \overline{X}_1$  is the only open subset with its complement in  $\overline{X}_1$  of codimension at least two that admits a quasiprojective quotient by  $H_1$ . Thus, as  $\overline{\iota} \colon \overline{X}_1 \to \overline{X}'_1$  is an isomorphism, so is  $\iota \colon X_1 \to X'_1$  and we obtain  $\overline{\iota}(\widehat{X}_1) = \widehat{X}'_1$ .

**Lemma 5.2.17.** Let  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be such that  $T_j \nmid f$  for all j. Assume there is a variable  $T_i$  dividing exactly one non-zero monomial  $T^{\mu}$  of f and  $T_i^2 \nmid T^{\mu}$ . Then f is prime.

*Proof.* By choice of f, each factorization must be of the form  $f = (g_1 + T_i g_2)h$  with  $g_i, h \in \mathbb{K}[T_j; j \neq i]$ . By assumption, h is not a monomial. Since we allow only one term to depend on  $T_i$  we conclude  $h \in \mathbb{K}^*$ , i.e., f is irreducible.

Proof of Proposition 5.2.8. By Remark 5.2.3, the surface X can be obtained as a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in three points or as the blow up of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  in two points where  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$ . Propositions 5.1.2 and 5.1.4 list the configurations we need to consider. Moreover, X is a blow up of one of the surfaces classified in Proposition 5.2.5. See Remark 5.2.1 for the steps.

(I) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3)$ . The varieties of the form Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3)$  are a blow up of  $Z_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)$  in a point in the exceptional divisor of the first or of the second

blow up. As a toric variety,  $Z_1$  is given by a fan  $\Sigma_1$  with its rays generated by the columns of

$$P_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad (0,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,0)}(2,1)^{(1,0)}_{(1,0)}(1,0)^{(1,1)}_{(1,0)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)^{(1,1)}_{(1,1)}(2,1)}($$

The exceptional divisors of  $Z_1$  are  $V(Z_1; T_4)$  and  $V(Z_1; T_5)$ . The union  $V(Z_1; T_4) \cup V(Z_1; T_5)$  consists of the toric orbits through the points

The equivariant automorphism  $z \mapsto (z_1, z_2, z_3 - z_2 z_5, z_4, z_5)$  of  $\widehat{Z}_1$  maps  $q_4$  to  $q_5$ ; compare Lemma 5.1.5. Thus, if we blow up  $Z_1$  in  $q_1, q_3$  or in one of the points  $q_4$ ,  $q_5$  it is given by insertion of the respective rays

$$\mathbb{Q}_{>0} \cdot (3,1), \qquad \mathbb{Q}_{>0} \cdot (3,2), \qquad \mathbb{Q}_{>0} \cdot (1,2)$$

into  $\Sigma_1$  by means of a stellar subdivision. This covers the cases Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$ , Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 iii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 iv)$ . We now treat the case Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$  which is the blow up of  $Z_1$  in  $q_2$ . This is done by the steps explained in Remark 5.2.1. Note that the point exists by Lemma 5.2.16. In the situation of Setting 4.2.9, we have  $Z_1 = X_1$ and  $K_1 = \mathbb{Z}^3$ . Consider the embedding

$$\bar{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad x \mapsto (x, h_1(x)), \qquad h_1 := T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5].$$

Then  $I'_1 = \langle T_6 - h_1 \rangle$  is the vanishing ideal of  $\overline{X}'_1$ . The  $\mathbb{Z}^3$ -grading on  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  is given by the following degree matrix  $Q'_1$ . The columns of  $P'_1$ , a Gale dual matrix of  $Q'_1$ , generate the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of the toric ambient variety  $Z'_1$  where

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We want to blow up  $\iota(q_2) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0] \in X'_1$ . Note that this point exists by Lemma 5.2.16. Consider now Setting 4.2.5 with the toric modification  $\pi: Z_2 \to Z'_1$ given by insertion of the ray through the sum v := (-2, 0, -1) of the fifth and sixth column of  $P'_1$  into  $\Sigma'_1$ . Thus, the fan of the toric variety  $Z_2$  has its rays generated by the columns of  $P_2 = [P'_1, v]$ . We obtain the ideal  $I_2 = \langle g \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  of the closure of the inverse image  $\overline{X}_2$  by modifying the generator of  $I_1$ :

$$g := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_6 - h_1) = T_6T_7 - T_3^2T_4 + T_1T_2 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]$$

where  $p_i$  is the morphism of tori corresponding to  $P_i$ . Observe that g is already saturated with respect to  $T_7$ . All variables  $T_i$  define pairwise non-associated prime elements in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]/\langle g \rangle$  by Lemma 5.2.17. Moreover,  $T_7 \nmid T_i$  for all i < 7 as

$$\dim \left( V(\mathbb{K}^{7}; T_{7}, T_{i}, g) \right) = 4 \quad \text{for all } i < 7.$$

Using Theorem 4.2.6(i) with Proposition 4.1.4,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification. Its degree matrix is a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as listed in the table. We now show that the modification was the blow up of  $\iota(q_2) \in X'_1$ . In  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$ , the ideal  $\langle T_5, T_6 \rangle + I'_1$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17, its zero set is three-dimensional and the latter contains  $\bar{\iota}((1, 1, 1, 1, 0))$ . By Lemma 5.2.15, the modification was the claimed blow up.

(II) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star)$ . The cases Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii)$  are blow ups of  $Z_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star)$  in a point in one of the two exceptional divisors. As a toric variety,  $Z_1$  is given by a fan with its rays generated by the columns of

$$P_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad (0,1) (1,1) (-1,0) (-1,-1) (1,0)$$

Of the exceptional divisors  $V(Z_1; T_4)$  and  $V(Z_1; T_5)$  we consider the first one. It consists of the toric orbits through the points

$$q_1 := [1, 0, 1, 0, 1], \qquad q_2 := [1, 1, 1, 0, 1], \qquad q_3 := [1, 1, 0, 0, 1] \in Z_1.$$

The automorphism  $z \mapsto (z_1, z_2 - z_3 z_5, z_3, z_4, z_5)$  of  $\widehat{Z}_1$  maps  $q_2$  to  $q_1$ ; compare Lemma 5.1.5. Thus, any blow up of  $Z_1$  in one of the points  $q_i$  is isomorphic to the toric blow up obtained by insertion of the ray  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (2, 1)$  or  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (1, 2)$  into the fan of  $Z_1$ .

(III) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star)$ . Surfaces of the form Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star)$  are again blow ups of  $Z_1 :=$  Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star)$ . By Proposition 5.1.2, we need to consider the following configurations.



If  $X = \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star i)$  we have to perform the toric blow up of the fixed point  $[0,0,1,1,1] \in Z_1$ . This is done by the stellar subdivision of the fan of  $Z_1$  at (0,-1). For  $X = \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star ii)$  we blow up the point  $q := [1,1,0,1,1] \in Z_1$ . Note that it exists by Lemma 5.2.16. The following steps are the same as in case Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ ; compare Remark 5.2.1. We choose the embedding

$$\bar{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad x \mapsto (x, h_1(x)), \qquad h_1 := T_2 T_4 - T_1 T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]$$

and obtain a CEMDS  $X'_1$ . Its degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and the matrix  $P'_1$  of generators for the rays of the fan of the toric ambient variety  $Z'_1$  of  $X'_1$  are

$$Q_1' := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

On  $X'_1$ , to blow up  $\iota(q) = [1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0]$ , we perform the stellar subdivision of the fan of  $Z'_1$  at v := (-1, -1, 0). Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_6 - h_1) = T_6T_7 - T_2T_4 + T_1T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]$$

By the same arguments as in case Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ , using the simplifications of Proposition 4.1.4, we check that the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6(i) are fulfilled. Thus,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with the degree matrix as listed in the table. In  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$ , the ideal  $\langle T_3, T_6, h_1 \rangle$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17, its zero set is three-dimensional and it contains (1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0). Thus, Lemma 5.2.15 can be applied.

(IV) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star)$ . Recall that the fan  $\Sigma_a$  of the toric variety  $\mathbb{F}_a$  has its rays generated by the columns of

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$$P_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad (0, 1)$$

The first four cases Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)$  to Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iv)$  are blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  in the toric fixed points listed in Proposition 5.1.4 where  $a \geq 2$ . Each of these toric blow ups is a stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \mathbb{F}_a$  at two vectors  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ . The fan  $\Sigma_2$  has its rays generated by the columns of  $P_2 := [P_1, v_1, v_2]$ . The choices for  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are as follows. The degree matrices of the Cox rings are obtained as Gale dual matrices of  $P_2$ , compare Lemma 5.2.6.

X	$v_1$	$v_2$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)$	(-1, -a+1)	(1,1)
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star ii)$	(-1, -a+1)	(-1, -a - 1)
$Bl \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iii)$	(-1, -a+1)	(1, -1)
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iv)$	(-1, -a - 1)	(1, -1)

We come to  $X = \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v)$ . Recall from Proposition 5.2.5 that the toric variety  $Z_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star i)$  is the blow up of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  in the fixed point [0, 1, 0, 1], i.e., the toric variety with the rays of its fan  $\Sigma_1$  generated by the columns of

$$P_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad (0,1)$$

Then X is the blow up of  $Z_1$  in q := [0, 1, 1, 1, 1]. Note that q exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and projects to  $[0, 1, 1, 1] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under the first blow up  $z \mapsto (z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4)$ . The subsequent steps are as in case Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ , compare Remark 5.2.1. Using the embedding

$$\bar{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad x \mapsto (x, h_1(x)), \qquad h_1 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5],$$

we obtain a CEMDS  $X'_1$ . The degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and the matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of the toric ambient variety  $Z'_1$  of  $X'_1$  are

$$Q'_{1} := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -a+1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P'_{1} := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

On  $X'_1$ , for the blow up of the point  $\iota(q) = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0]$ , we perform the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at v := (0, -1, -1). Write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_6 - h_1) = T_6T_7 - T_2^aT_4 + T_3T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7].$$

By the same methods as before, we verify the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6 and Proposition 4.1.4. Thus,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with the degree matrix listed in the table. By Lemma 5.2.15, we did perform a blow up as the ideal  $\langle T_3, T_6, h_1 \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17 and its zero set contains (0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0) while being three-dimensional.

(V) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2)$ . Define  $Z_1$  as in the previous case, i.e.,  $Z_1$  is the blow up of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  in the fixed point  $[0, 1, 0, 1] \in \mathbb{F}_a$ . We want to blow up a point in the exceptional divisor  $V(Z_1; T_5)$ . It consists of the toric orbits through the points

$$q_1 := [1, 1, 0, 1, 0], \qquad q_2 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0], \qquad q_3 := [0, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in Z_1,$$

The automorphism  $z \mapsto (z_1, z_2, z_3 - z_1 z_2^{a-1} z_4, z_4, z_5)$  of  $\widehat{Z}_1$  maps  $q_2$  to  $q_1$ ; compare Lemma 5.1.5. Thus, the remaining cases are the toric blow ups of  $Z_1$  in  $q_1$  and  $q_3$  and are carried out by insertion of the respective rays

 $\mathbb{Q}_{>0} \cdot v, \quad v := (-1, -a+2) \quad \text{or} \quad v := (-2, -2a+1)$ 

into  $\Sigma_1$ . The degree matrix of the Cox ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  of X is a Gale dual matrix of the enlarged matrix  $[P_1, v]$ , compare Lemma 5.2.6. This covers the cases Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)$ .

We come to blow ups of the toric variety Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star ii)$  in a point in the exceptional divisor. Recall that  $Z_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star ii)$  has the rays of its fan  $\Sigma_1$  generated by the

columns of

$$P_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a - 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad (0,1)$$

The exceptional divisor of  $Z_1$  is  $V(Z_1; T_5)$  and consists of the toric orbits through the points

 $q_1 := [0, 1, 1, 1, 0], \qquad q_2 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0], \qquad q_3 := [1, 1, 1, 0, 0] \in Z_1.$ 

The blow ups of the toric fixed points  $q_1$  and  $q_3$  are carried out by stellar subdivisions of  $\Sigma_1$  at the rays

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v, \qquad v := (-2, -2a - 1) \qquad \text{or} \qquad v := (-1, -a - 2)$$

respectively. The degree matrix of the Cox ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  of X is a Gale dual matrix of the enlarged matrix  $[P_1, v]$ , see Lemma 5.2.6. This covers the cases Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 iii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 iv)$ .

For  $X = \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 v)$ , we blow up  $Z_1$  in  $q_2$ . Note that  $q_2$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16. The steps are analogous to previous cases, e.g.,  $\text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ . Choose the embedding

$$\bar{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad x \mapsto (x, h_1(x)), \qquad h_1 := T_2^{a+1} T_4 - T_1 T_3 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5].$$

We obtain a CEMDS  $X'_1$ , a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q'_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -a - 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P'_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & a + 1 & -1 & -a - 1 & -a \end{bmatrix}.$$

On  $X'_1$ , for the blow up of  $\iota(q_2) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0]$ , we perform the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the vector v := (-1, -2, -2a - 1) in  $\mathbb{Z}^3$ . Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_6 - h_1) = T_6T_7 - T_2^{a+1}T_4 + T_1T_3 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7].$$

As in previous cases, one directly verifies the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6. Hence, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]/I_2$ . Its degree matrix is a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ , i.e.,

$$Q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -a & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By Lemma 5.2.15, the modification was a blow up as the ideal  $\langle T_5, T_6, h_1 \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17 and its zero set contains (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0) while being three-dimensional.

Isomorphisms: We now show that the surfaces listed in the proposition are pairwise non-isomorphic. As seen in the proof of Proposition 5.2.5, Bl  $\mathbb{F}_2(\star i)$  is isomorphic to Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)$ . Therefore, we have  $a \geq 3$  in the cases

$$\begin{split} & \text{Bl}\,\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\,i), \quad \text{Bl}\,\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\,ii), \quad \text{Bl}\,\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\,ii), \quad \text{Bl}\,\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\,v), \\ & \text{Bl}\,\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2\,i), \qquad \text{Bl}\,\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2\,ii). \end{split}$$

We first treat the toric and then the non-toric cases. We compare the self-intersection numbers of negative curves. These curves are of the form  $V(X; T_i)$ , compare also 5.2.7.

a	X	$V(T_{1})^{2}$	$V(T_2)^2$	$V(T_{3})^{2}$	$V(T_{4})^{2}$	$V(T_{5})^{2}$	$V(T_{6})^{2}$
	Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$	$\geq 0$	-2	$\geq 0$	-2	-2	-1
	Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 iii)$	$\geq 0$	-1	$\geq 0$	-3	-2	-1
	Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 iv)$	$\geq 0$	-1	-1	-3	-1	-1

	Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star i)$	$\geq 0$	-1	-1	-2	-1	-1
	Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii)$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-2	-2	-1	$^{-1}$
	Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star i)$	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$\geq 3$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)$	-1	-1	$\geq 0$	-a	-1	-1
$\geq 3$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star ii)$	-2	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a - 1	-1	-1
$\geq 3$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iii)$	-1	-1	$\geq 0$	-a - 1	-1	-1
$\geq 2$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iv)$	-1	-1	$\geq 0$	-a - 2	-1	-1
$\geq 3$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$	-1	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-2	-1
$\geq 3$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)$	-2	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-2	-1
$\geq 2$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 iii)$	-2	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a - 1	-2	-1
$\geq 2$	Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 iv)$	-1	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a - 2	-2	-1

An inspection of the table shows that the listed surfaces are pairwise non-isomorphic except for the following. Using Algorithm 5.2.11 and Remark 5.2.10, we give isomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a+2}(\star^2 i) &\to & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 iv), & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star \star i) \to & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iii), \\ \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 iii) &\to & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_3(\star^2 i), & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 iv) \to & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_3(\star \star i), \\ \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star \star iii) \to & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iv), & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star^2 ii) \to & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 iii), \\ & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star^2 i) \to & \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star ii). \end{array}$$

For each surface, we write primitive generators for the rays of its corresponding fan into a matrix as in Remark 5.2.10. In the first and the two last cases, the respective matrices already are the same up to column permutations. For the second to fifth isomorphism, in the notation of 5.2.9, the surfaces are isomorphic by Remark 5.2.10 since

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -a & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a + 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

We come to isomorphisms between the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces. This comprises the cases Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ , Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star ii)$ , Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 v)$ . Note that all these surfaces are non-toric since their total coordinate spaces have singularities. By Remark 5.2.13, no isomorphisms are possible except between  $X_1 :=$  Bl  $\mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star \star v)$ and  $X_2 :=$  Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 v)$ . The degree matrices  $Q_i$  of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  coincide up to column permutations after applying the matrix  $A \in \mathrm{GL}(4,\mathbb{Z})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A \cdot Q_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -a & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -a & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & a & +1 & 2a & +1 & -a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -a & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= Q_2 \cdot U, \end{aligned}$$

where  $U \in GL(7,\mathbb{Z})$  is the permutation matrix exchanging the first and fifth column. It is admissible in the sense of Proposition 1.5.8. By Algorithm 5.2.14,  $X_1$  is isomorphic to  $X_2$ .

### 3. Smooth rational surfaces with $\rho(X) = 5$

In this section, we classify the smooth rational surfaces of Picard number five up to isomorphism and present their Cox rings explicitly. Each such surface can be obtained as a blow up of one of the smooth rational surfaces of Picard number four listed in Proposition 5.2.8. Whereas the Cox rings of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  can be calculated in a purely computational manner with Algorithm 4.5.9, for blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$ , we apply the algorithm in a formal way as explained in Remark 5.2.1.

**Theorem 5.3.1.** Let X be a smooth rational surface with Picard number  $\varrho(X) = 5$ . Then X is isomorphic to exactly one of the following surfaces.

X	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$ degree matrix					
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 iv)$ $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7, \\ & (\lambda - 1) T_3^2 T_4 - T_8 T_9 - \lambda T_6 T_7 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 v)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7 T_8$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vi)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 + T_6 T_8^2 T_7$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 ix)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xiii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xiv)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 - T_1^2 T_2 - T_7 T_8 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xv)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				
$\frac{\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2}{iii}$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2\star^2$ <i>iv</i> )	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				

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Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star i)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} $
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star ii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_2T_4T_6^2 - T_1T_5 - T_7T_8$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star iv)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_2T_4T_6 - T_1T_5 - T_7T_8 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$			$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star i)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_4T_7 - T_5T_8 + T_6T_9 \text{,} \\ & T_1T_7 - T_2T_8 + T_3T_9 \text{,} \\ & T_3T_5 - T_2T_6 - T_7T_{10} \text{,} \\ & T_3T_4 - T_1T_6 - T_8T_{10} \text{,} \\ & T_2T_4 - T_1T_5 - T_{10}T_9 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	0 1 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0	0 0 1 0	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccc} -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{array}\right]$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star ii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_2T_4 - T_1T_5 - T_7T_8$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	0 1 0 0 0	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $	${0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 }$	$ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} $
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star iii)$ $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_2T_4 - T_1T_5 - T_6T_7, \\ & T_8T_9 - (\lambda - 1)T_2T_4 + \lambda T_6T_7 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0     \end{array} $	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iii)$ $a \ge 3$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_7T_8 - T_1T_5 + T_2T_6 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	0 1 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0	${0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 }$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -a+2 & a-1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -a+3 & a-2 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iv) \ a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_7T_8 - T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} + T_3 T_5$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	0 1 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ a - 2 & 1 & 2a - 4 & -a + 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ a - 1 & 1 & 2a - 3 & -a + 2 \end{bmatrix} $
$egin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$	$\mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{9}]/I$ with I generated by $T_{6}T_{7} - T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + T_{3}T_{5},$ $T_{8}T_{9} - (\lambda - 1)T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + \lambda T_{6}T_{7}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{bmatrix}$	0 1 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0	0 0 0 1 0	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ a & 0 & a & 3a-1 & -2a+1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star i)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0     \end{array} $	$\begin{bmatrix} a-5 & -a+3 & -1 \\ a-4 & -a+3 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ a-4 & -a+3 & -1 \\ a-3 & -a+2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star iv)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 - T_7 T_8$	$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
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Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star v)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
$\frac{\mathrm{Bl}  \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star \\ viii)  a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_8$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
$Bl \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 i)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
$Bl \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iii)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$				
$Bl \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iv)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_1T_2^{a-1}T_4 - T_3T_6 - T_7T_8$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
$Bl \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 v)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
$Bl \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 viii a \ge 3$	) $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
$Bl \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 ix)$ $a \ge 3$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{8}]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_{1}T_{2}^{2a-1}T_{4}^{2} - T_{3}^{2}T_{5} - T_{7}T_{8} \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 x)$ $a \ge 3$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				

In particular, each smooth rational surface of Picard number five either admits a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action or is isomorphic to  $\overline{M}_{0,5}$ .

**Remark 5.3.2.** The  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces occurring in Theorem 5.3.1 are all embedded equivariantly into their canonical toric ambient varieties since the relations in the Cox rings are of trinomial shape as in Construction 1.5.3.

**Lemma 5.3.3.** In  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , consider binomials  $f_i := c_i^+ T^{\nu_i^+} - c_i^- T^{\nu_i^-}$  with  $c_i^{\pm} \in \mathbb{K}^*$  where  $1 \le i \le s$ . Let A be the  $s \times r$  matrix with rows  $\nu_i^+ - \nu_i^-$ . Then the dimension of  $V(\mathbb{T}^r; f_1, \ldots, f_s)$  is  $r - \operatorname{rank}(A)$ .

*Proof.* See [50, Satz 2.1.13]. Compute a Smith normal form  $D = U \cdot A \cdot V$  with invertible matrices U, V and denote by  $\varphi_A, \varphi_D, \varphi_U$  the corresponding morphisms of tori. Then there is a finite abelian group  $\Gamma$  such that

$$V(\mathbb{T}^r; f_1, \dots, f_s) = \varphi_A^{-1} \left( -\frac{c_1^-}{c_1^+}, \dots, -\frac{c_s^-}{c_s^+} \right)$$
$$\cong \varphi_D^{-1} \left( \varphi_U \left( -\frac{c_1^-}{c_1^+}, \dots, -\frac{c_s^-}{c_s^+} \right) \right)$$
$$\cong \mathbb{T}^{r-\operatorname{rank} A} \times \Gamma.$$

When checking a variable for being prime (e.g., with Algorithm 2.2.10) we often encounter ideals of the form  $I = I_0 + I'$  with a binomial ideal  $I_0$ . The following observation may then simplify the computation. We have published a similar version in [56, Lem. 4.3].

**Lemma 5.3.4** (Binomial trick). Consider an ideal  $I = I_0 + I' \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with a prime binomial ideal

$$I_0 = \langle T^{\nu_1^+} - T^{\nu_1^-}, \dots, T^{\nu_n^+} - T^{\nu_n^-} \rangle \quad \text{where } \nu_i^+, \nu_i^- \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^r.$$

Let B be the integral  $n \times r$  matrix with rows  $\nu_i^+ - \nu_i^-$  and A an integral  $r \times s$  matrix the columns of which generate ker(B). We have a homomorphism

$$\psi_A \colon \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r] \to \mathbb{K}\left[Y_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, Y_s^{\pm 1}\right], \qquad T^{\nu} \mapsto Y^{A^t \cdot \nu}$$

Then  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is prime if one of the following conditions is fulfilled.

- (i)  $\langle \psi_A(I') \rangle$  is a prime ideal in the Veronese subalgebra  $R \subseteq \mathbb{K}[Y_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, Y_s^{\pm 1}]$ given by the monoid  $S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^s$  generated by the rows of A.
- (ii)  $\ker(B) \cap \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle \psi_A(I') \rangle$  is a prime ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[Y_1, \ldots, Y_s]$ .

*Proof.* Since  $I_0$  is a prime binomial ideal, we have  $I_0 = \ker(\psi_A)$ . Let  $s_1, \ldots, s_r$  be the rows of A. Then the image of  $\psi_A$  is the subalgebra

$$R = \mathbb{K}[Y^{s_1}, \dots, Y^{s_r}] \subseteq \mathbb{K}[Y_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, Y_s^{\pm 1}].$$

Thus, the map  $\psi_A \colon \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r] \to R$  is surjective. As  $I_0 = \ker(\psi_A)$ , by basic algebra, we obtain  $I = \psi_A^{-1}(\langle \psi_A(I') \rangle)$ . The first assertion follows. For (ii), choose  $w \in \ker(B) \cap \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$ . We may replace each generator w' of  $\ker(B)$  that does not lie in  $\mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$  with w'' := bw + w' where  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  is large enough such that  $w'' \in \ker(B) \cap \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$ . In the above setting, the image R of  $\psi_A$  is contained in  $\mathbb{K}[Y_1, \ldots, Y_s]$ , i.e.,  $\langle \psi_A(I') \rangle$  is prime in R. The claim follows from (i).

In order to classify blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $\mathbb{F}_a$ , in the proofs of Theorems 5.3.1 and 5.4.1, we have to choose points for the next blow up step. The possible choices of these points frequently is reflected in parameters in their Cox coordinates. With regard to  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces, parameters only occur when blowing up points on fixed point curves.

**Remark 5.3.5.** Let X be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface that is embedded equivariantly into its canonical toric ambient variety. Consider points  $x, x' \in X$  belonging to exactly one of the divisors  $V(X; T_i)$ . By Proposition 1.5.10, we have

 $x = \lambda \cdot x'$  with  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \Leftrightarrow V(X; T_i)$  is not a fixed point curve.

**Remark 5.3.6.** Computations involving Gröbner bases, e.g., in Algorithm 4.5.9, can also be carried out for equations depending on parameters  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_s \in \mathbb{K}$ 

by changing the base field to  $\mathbb{Q}(\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_s)$  and regard the  $\lambda_i$  as transcendental elements, see [46, p. 34].

Proof of Theorem 5.3.1. By Remark 5.2.3, the surface X can be obtained as a blow up of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in four points or as the blow up of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  in three points where  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2}$ . This proof is structured as follows. We compute the resulting Cox rings grouped into originating point configurations; they are listed in Propositions 5.1.2 and 5.1.4. Each surface of Picard number five arises as a blow up of a surface of Picard number four as classified in Proposition 5.2.8. If necessary, we prove or disprove the existence of a K\*-action. Finally, we sort out isomorphic surfaces.

(1) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4)$ . By Propositions 5.2.8 and 5.1.2, these are blow ups of the surface Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$  or Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$  in a point in one of the exceptional divisors.



Recall that (4) stands for a fourfold iterated blow up. We first consider blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ . As seen in the proof of Proposition 5.2.8, the exceptional divisors are

$$V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_7).$$

The curve  $V(X_1; T_5)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve. Consequently, by Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the points

where all points exist by Lemma 5.2.16 or by an application of Algorithm 2.3.8. Observe that we cover all necessary points on  $V(X_1; T_5)$ . Pulling back generators for the irrelevant ideal of  $X_1$  we obtain  $\langle T-1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T]$ , compare Algorithm 2.3.11. Hence,  $q_4 \in \hat{X}_1$  for each  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K} \setminus \{1\}$ . Write  $p: \hat{X}_1 \to X_1$  for the characteristic space and  $\iota: \mathbb{K} \setminus \{1\} \to V(T_5)$  for the assignment  $\lambda \mapsto (1, 1, 1, \lambda, 0, \lambda - 1, 1)$ . Define  $D := V(X_1; T_5)$  and  $\varphi := p \circ \iota$ . We have a commutative diagram



where  $\varphi$  and the lifted morphism  $\overline{\varphi}$  are non-constant. This means  $\overline{\varphi}$  is surjective and the image of  $\varphi$  comprises D up to at most two points. Since  $q_5, q_8 \in D$  are distinct points not contained in  $\text{Im}(\varphi)$  it suffices to consider the listed points  $q_i$ .

Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we compute the Cox rings of the resulting surfaces which we call Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 i)$  to Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 viii)$ . By Remark 5.3.6, the computation could also be carried out for the case Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 iv)$ . All obtained Cox rings are either listed in the table of Theorem 5.3.1 or in the following one; we will show at the end of this proof that the following ones are redundant.

X	$\operatorname{Cox} \operatorname{ring} \mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix	
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 i)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & -T_3^2 T_4 T_8^3 + T_1 T_2 + T_6 T_7 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	

Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 ii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_1T_2 + T_5T_6 - T_3T_7^2T_8^3$	$ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} $	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 iii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $-T_3^2 T_4 T_8 + T_1 T_2 + T_6 T_7$	$ \left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_3^2T_4 - T_1T_2 - T_6T_7T_8^2$	$ \left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 viii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_8]/I$ with I generated by	$ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} $		$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

However, for the surfaces  $Y_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 ii)$  and  $Y'_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vi)$  Algorithm 4.5.9 returned a ring different from the one listed in the table. We now prove that these rings are isomorphic. For  $Y_1$ , Algorithm 4.5.9 returns the Cox ring and degree matrix

$$\mathcal{R}(Y_1) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] \left/ \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_1 T_2 + T_5 T_6 - T_8 T_3 T_2^2 T_4^2 T_6^2 \\ + 2T_3 T_2 T_4 T_6 T_7 T_8^2 - T_3 T_7^2 T_8^3, \end{array} \right\rangle,$$
$$Q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We claim that  $Y_1$  is isomorphic to the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface  $Y_2$  with the same degree matrix  $Q_2 := Q_1$  and Cox ring

$$\mathcal{R}(Y_2) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] / \langle T_1 T_2 + T_5 T_6 - T_3 T_7^2 T_8^3 \rangle$$

By Lemma 5.1.5, it suffices to show that the Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(Y_2)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(Y_1)$  are isomorphic as graded algebras. We choose the homomorphism  $\psi \colon \mathcal{R}(Y_2) \to \mathcal{R}(Y_1)$  induced by the homomorphism  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  with

$$T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_5 - T_2^2 T_3 T_4^2 T_6 T_8 + 2T_2 T_3 T_4 T_7 T_8^2, & i = 5, \\ T_i, & i \neq 5. \end{cases}$$

One directly verifies that  $(\psi, id)$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded algebras. Hence,  $Y_1$  is isomorphic to the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface  $Y_2$ . Similarly, for  $Y'_1 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vi)$ , Algorithm 4.5.9 delivers its Cox ring and degree matrix

$$\mathcal{R}(Y_1') = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] / \langle T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_8 T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5 + T_6 T_8^2 T_7 \rangle,$$
$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have a  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded isomorphism  $(\psi', \mathrm{id})$  between the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(Y'_2)$  of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface  $Y'_2$  and  $\mathcal{R}(Y'_1)$  where

$$\mathcal{R}(Y_2') := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] / \langle T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 + T_6 T_8^2 T_7 \rangle$$

and the degree matrix is again  $Q'_1$ . The graded homomorphism  $\psi'$  is induced by the homomorphism  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  assigning  $T_1 + T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 T_8$  to  $T_1$ and  $T_i \mapsto T_i$  otherwise. Thus,  $Y'_1$  is isomorphic to  $Y'_2$ .

We come to the blow up of the toric variety Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$  in a point in the union of the exceptional divisors. It is given by the toric orbits through the points

All points exist by Lemma 5.2.16 or by Algorithm 2.3.8. The fan of Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$  is drawn on the right. Observe that the equivariant automorphism

$$\widehat{Z}_1 \rightarrow \widehat{Z}_1, \qquad z \mapsto (z_1, z_2, z_3 - z_2 z_5 z_6^2, z_4, z_5, z_6)$$

maps  $q_2$  to  $q_1$ ; compare Lemma 5.1.5. Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we compute the Cox rings of the remaining surfaces. We denote the results by Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 ix)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xi)$  to Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xv)$ . The results can be found in the table of Theorem 5.3.1 or in the following one.

X	$\operatorname{Cox} \operatorname{ring} \mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xi)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_3^2T_4 - T_1T_2T_6 - T_7T_8$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

(II) Blow ups of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star)$ . By Propositions 5.2.8 and 5.1.2, the surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star)$  are blow ups of Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$  or of Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$  in a point that maps to  $[0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  under the first three blow ups.



We first treat blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ . Recall from the proof of Proposition 5.2.8 the blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{P}_2$$

where, as in Setting 4.2.9, the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6$  is given by  $z \mapsto (z, h_1(z))$ with the polynomial  $h_1 := T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$ . The blow ups are

$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 z_7, z_6 z_7],$$
  
$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_5, z_3, z_4 z_5], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4].$$

Using Algorithm 2.3.8, we see that the following point p exists on  $X_1$  and its blow up yields the desired surface:

$$\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(p) = [0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2, \quad p := [0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1] \in X_1.$$

In a similar manner, for the toric variety  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 i)$  the point  $[0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1] \in X_1$  exists and projects to  $[0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$ . In each of the two cases we use Algorithm 4.5.9 to blow up  $X_1$  in p. We obtain surfaces  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star i)$  and  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star ii)$  with the following Cox rings.

X	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star i)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8]/I$ with I generated by $T_3^2 T_4 T_8 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star ii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

(III) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2)$ . These are blow ups of  $Z_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star i)$  or  $Z_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii)$  in a point in the second exceptional divisor, i.e.



The toric varieties  $Z_i$  have the following fans and ray generators

$$\begin{array}{c} (0,1) \\ (-1,0) \\ (-1,-1) \\ (-1,-1) \end{array} \begin{array}{c} (1,1) \\ (2,1) \\ (0,1) \\ (-1,0) \\ (-1,-1) \end{array} \begin{array}{c} (1,2) \\ (1,1) \\ (1,0) \\ (1,0) \\ (1,0) \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{c} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} v \right]$$

with v = (2, 1) or v = (1, 2) respectively. On both  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  the second exceptional divisor is  $V(Z_i; T_5)$  and consists of the toric orbits through the points

 $q_1 := [0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1], \qquad q_2 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1], \qquad q_3 := [1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1].$ 

For both i, the point  $q_2 \in Z_i$  is mapped to  $q_1$  by the respective equivariant automorphism

$$\widehat{Z}_1 \to \widehat{Z}_1, \qquad z \mapsto (z_1 - z_3 z_4 z_6, z_2, \dots, z_6), 
\widehat{Z}_2 \to \widehat{Z}_2, \qquad z \mapsto (z_1 - z_3 z_4 z_6^2, z_2, \dots, z_6),$$

compare Lemma 5.1.5. Denote by Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 ii)$  the surfaces obtained as blow up of  $Z_1$  in  $q_1$  and  $q_3$ . The blow ups of  $Z_2$  in  $q_1$  and  $q_3$  are called Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 ii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 ii)$ . The table of the theorem lists the Cox rings of the latter two whereas the ones of the former two are as follows.

X	$\operatorname{Cox} \operatorname{ring} \mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix	
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 i)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 ii)$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_7]$	$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	]

(IV) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star)$ . Let  $Z_1 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star i)$  and  $Z_2 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii)$  be as in the previous paragraph (III). By Proposition 5.1.2, we have to consider the configurations



By Proposition 5.2.8, this means that the surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star)$  are blow ups of  $Z_1$  or  $Z_2$  in a point that maps to  $[0,0,1] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  or to  $[1,1,0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  under the maps of the first three blow ups. Recall from the proof of Proposition 5.2.8 that the blow up sequence of both  $Z_i$  is

$$Z_i \xrightarrow{\pi_{i,3}} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star\star) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{P}_2$$

where the blow ups  $\pi_1$ ,  $\pi_2$  and  $\pi_{i,3}$  are

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \pi_{1,3}([z]) &=& [z_1, z_2 z_6, z_3, z_4 z_6, z_5], & \pi_{2,3}([z]) &=& [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_6, z_4 z_6, z_5], \\ \pi_2([z]) &=& [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4], & \pi_1([z]) &=& [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4]. \end{array}$$

In our case, the points  $p := [0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1] \in Z_i$  and  $p' := [1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1] \in Z_i$  are directly seen to exist and satisfy

$$\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \pi_{i,3}(p) = [0,0,1] \in \mathbb{P}_2, \qquad \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \pi_{i,3}(p') = [1,1,0] \in \mathbb{P}_2.$$

The blow ups of  $Z_1$  in p and p' are called Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star ii)$  whereas Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star iii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star iv)$  are the blow ups of  $Z_2$  in p and p'. The results are listed in the table except for the Cox ring and degree matrix

$$\mathcal{R}\left(\mathrm{Bl}\,\mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{2}\star\star iii)\right) = \mathbb{K}[T_{1},\ldots,T_{7}], \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(V) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star)$ . Proposition 5.1.2 lists the three point configurations we have to consider, i.e.,



The blow ups of the first two configurations can be obtained as a blow up of  $X_1 :=$  Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star i)$ . As seen in the proof of Proposition 5.2.8,  $X_1$  was obtained as blow up

$$\pi_{3,2,1} \colon X_1 \to \mathbb{P}_2, \qquad [z] \mapsto [z_1 z_5 z_6, z_2 z_4 z_6, z_3 z_4 z_5]$$

Under  $\pi_{3,2,1}$ , the points  $[1, \ldots, 1]$  and  $[1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1] \in X_1$  project to  $[1, 1, 1] \in \mathbb{P}_2$ and  $[1, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  respectively. Note that the second point exists by Lemma 5.2.16. The blow ups of  $X_1$  in these points with Algorithm 4.5.9 yield surfaces Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star i)$ and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star i)$ . Their Cox rings can be found in the table.

For the third configuration, we want to blow up  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star ii)$  in a point projecting to  $[1, \lambda, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$ , where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ , under the blow ups

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star i)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_{2,1}} \mathbb{P}_2$$
  
$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_7, z_4, z_5, z_6 z_7], \qquad \pi_{2,1}([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4 z_5]$$

and the embedding  $\iota_1$  is given by  $[z] \mapsto [z, h_1(z)]$  with the polynomial  $h_1 := T_2T_4 - T_1T_5$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$ . We have

$$\pi_1 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2(q) = [1, \lambda, 0] \qquad q := [1, \lambda, 0, 1, 1, \lambda - 1, 1] \in X_1$$

and q exists in  $X_1$  by Lemma 5.2.16. Using Algorithm 4.5.9 with Remark 5.3.6, we obtain the listed surface Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star iii)$ .

(VI) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star)$ . We now treat the blow ups of the Hirzebruch surface  $\mathbb{F}_a$ . According to Proposition 5.2.8, each blow up of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star)$  is obtained by blowing up one of the surfaces

Bl 
$$\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)$$
, Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star ii)$ , Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v)$ 

in a point that is not contained in the union of the two exceptional divisors. This rules out the configurations

$$\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star vii), \quad \mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star viii), \quad \mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star xi), \quad \mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star xii)$$

found in Proposition 5.1.4. Additionally, observe that we also need not consider  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star vi)$ . The blow up of this configuration is isomorphic to the blow up of Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iii)$  in a point projecting to [0, 1, 1, 1]. As seen in the proof of Proposition 5.2.8, there is an isomorphism  $\varphi: Z_1 \to Z_2$  from the toric variety  $Z_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star \star i)$  to the toric variety  $Z_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iii)$ . In terms of fans,  $\varphi$  is given by an invertible matrix sending the ray  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (-1, -a - 1)$  corresponding to  $V(Z_1; T_1)$  to the ray  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (-1, -a)$  corresponding to  $V(Z_2; T_1)$ . In particular, Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star vi)$  is isomorphic to the blow up of  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)$  in [0, 1, 1, 1], i.e., to Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star iv)$ . The remaining cases are



There are further reductions: as seen in the proof of Proposition 5.2.8, Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star ii)$  is isomorphic to the surface Bl  $\mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star^2 \star i)$ . Therefore, the surfaces Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star i)$ , Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star v)$  are redundant and do not appear in the table of the theorem.

We first consider blow ups of the toric variety  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)$ . This includes  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iii)$ ,  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iv)$  and  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star x)$ . The rays of the fan  $\Sigma_1$  of  $X_1$  are generated by the columns of

$$P_1 := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \Sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0, 1 \\ (1, 0) \\ (-1, -a) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0, 1 \\ (1, 0) \\ (0, -1) \end{pmatrix}$$

For Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star iii)$ , we want to blow up  $X_1$  at q := [1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1], a point which exists by Lemma 5.2.16. The steps are the same as in, e.g., the proof of Proposition 5.2.8 for case Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ . In Setting 4.2.9, choose the embedding

$$\bar{\iota} : \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_1 T_5 - T_2 T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_6].$$

As in Algorithm 4.3.2 we obtain a new CEMDS  $X'_1$  with degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of the toric ambient variety  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a-3 & -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & a-3 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a-2 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -a \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $\iota(q) = [1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in X'_1$  we work in Setting 4.2.5. We perform the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the sum v := (-1, -1, -a + 1) of the third and seventh column of  $P'_1$ ; this determines the toric modification  $\pi: Z_2 \to Z'_1$ . Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7 - h_1) = T_7T_8 - T_1T_5 + T_2T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8].$$

By Lemma 5.2.17, g is prime, all variables define prime elements and one directly verifies that dim  $V(\mathbb{K}^8; g, T_i, T_j) = 5$  for all  $i \neq j$ . Hence, by Theorem 4.2.6, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/\langle g \rangle$ . The degree matrix

listed in the table is obtained as a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  using, e.g., Lemma 5.2.6. The ideal  $\langle T_3, T_7, h_1 \rangle$  of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17, its zero set contains  $\overline{\iota}((1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1))$  and it is four-dimensional. Therefore, the modification was the desired blow up by Lemma 5.2.15.

The case Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iv)$  is similar to the previous one. Here, we want to blow up  $X_1$  in q := [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]. By Lemma 5.2.16,  $q \in X_1$  exists. Choose  $h_1 := T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} - T_3 T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a-3 & -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & a-3 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a-2 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & a-2 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & a-1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q) = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0]$  we perform the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the sum v := (0, -1, -1) of the first and seventh column of  $P'_1$ . Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7 - h_1) = T_7 T_8 - T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} + T_3 T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8].$$

Using Lemma 5.2.17, similar to before, the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6 are fulfilled. Hence, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_2$ . Its degree matrix is a a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ . By Lemma 5.2.15, we did perform a blow up since  $\langle T_1, T_7, h_1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17 and its vanishing set is of dimension four while containing  $\overline{\iota}((0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1))$ .

We proceed for Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star x)$  in the same manner. Here, we want to blow up  $X_1$ in q := [1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1] which exists by Lemma 5.2.16. Choose  $h_1 := T_1T_5 - T_2T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a-3 & -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & a-3 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a-2 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -a \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $\iota(q) = [1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0] \in X'_1$ , we insert the ray through v := (-1, -1, -a-1) into  $\Sigma'_1$  by performing the stellar subdivision at v. Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7 - h_1) = T_7T_8 - T_1T_5 + T_2T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8].$$

Using Lemma 5.2.17, the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6 are fulfilled. Hence, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_2$ . Its degree matrix is as listed in the table. By Lemma 5.2.15, the modification was a blow up as  $\langle T_4, T_7, h_1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17, its zero set contains  $\overline{\iota}((1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1))$  and is four-dimensional.

We now consider blow ups of the variety  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v)$ . The surface  $\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star ix)$  is a blow up of  $X_1$  in a point q projecting to  $[0, 1, 1, \lambda] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under the previous blow ups where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ . By the proof of Proposition 5.2.8, the blow up sequence is

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a$$

where  $\iota_1([z]) := [z, h_1(z)]$  with  $h_1 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5$  and the blow ups  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  are given by

$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1z_7, z_2, z_3, z_4, z_5, z_6z_7], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1z_5, z_2, z_3z_5, z_4].$$

In our case, the point  $q := [0, 1, 1, \lambda, 1, \lambda - 1, 1] \in X_1$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and satisfies  $\pi_1 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2(q) = [0, 1, 1, \lambda]$ . We now perform the same steps as in the previous cases. In  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$ , choose  $h_2 := (\lambda - 1)T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_6 T_7$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^7 \to \mathbb{K}^8$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $X_1$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $\iota(q) = [0, 1, 1, \lambda, 1, \lambda - 1, 1, 0] \in X'_1$ , we consider the toric morphism corresponding to the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the ray through v := (0, -1, -1, -1). Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by the modified equations defining  $\overline{X}'_1$ , i.e.,

$$p_{2}^{\star}(p_{1})_{\star}(T_{6}T_{7} - T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + T_{3}T_{5}) = T_{6}T_{7} - T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + T_{3}T_{5},$$
  
$$p_{2}^{\star}(p_{1})_{\star}(T_{8} - h_{2}) = T_{8}T_{9} - (\lambda - 1)T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + \lambda T_{6}T_{7}.$$

After scaling, e.g.,  $T_8$  by a suitable element of  $\mathbb{K}^*$ , Remark 1.5.6 applies and, therefore,  $I_2$  is prime. In particular,  $I_2 = I_2 : T_9^{\infty}$ . We now show that the variable  $T_9$ defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I_2$ . Note that, by 1.5.3, for suitable choices of P and A we have  $R_2 = R(P, A)$ , i.e.,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface and  $T_9$  defines a prime element. Alternatively, we may show that the image of the ideal  $I_2 + \langle T_9 \rangle$  under the isomorphism  $T_6 \mapsto T_6(\lambda - 1)/\lambda$ , namely

$$I := \langle T_9, (\lambda - 1)T_6T_7 - \lambda T_2^aT_4 + \lambda T_3T_5, -T_2^aT_4 + T_6T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

is a prime ideal using the binomial trick 5.3.4. This means we consider the ideal generated by the image  $\psi_A(I)$  under the homomorphism

Then  $\langle \psi_A(I) \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[Y_1, \ldots, Y_9]$  is generated by  $Y_9$  and  $-Y_4^a Y_6^a Y_5 Y_7 + \lambda Y_2 Y_3$  and is a prime ideal by Lemma 5.2.17. In turn, since  $-T_2^a T_4 + T_6 T_7$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17, Lemma 5.3.4 tells us that  $T_9$  is a prime element in  $R_2$ . Furthermore, each two variables  $T_i, T_j$  are pairwise non-associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$ for  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_9 \nmid T_i$  for all i < 9, since each of the following intersections is of codimension two in  $\overline{X}_2$ :

$$\begin{split} \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_9) &= V(T_1, T_9, T_6T_7 - T_2^a T_4 + T_3T_5, (\lambda - 1)T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_6T_7) \\ &= V(T_1, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_3T_5, (\lambda - 1)T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_6T_7), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_2, T_9) &= V(T_2, T_9, T_3T_5, T_6T_7), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_3, T_9) &= V(T_3, T_9, T_6T_7, T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4, T_9) &= V(T_4, T_9, T_3T_5, T_6T_7), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_9) &= V(T_5, T_9, T_6T_7, T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_9) &= V(T_6, T_9, T_3T_5, T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7, T_9) &= V(T_7, T_9, T_3T_5, T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8, T_9) &= V(T_8, T_9, T_6T_7 - T_2^a T_4 + T_3T_5, (\lambda - 1)T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_6T_7) \\ &= V(T_8, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_3T_5, (\lambda - 1)T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_6T_7). \end{split}$$

This can be seen directly or, for  $i \in \{1, 8\}$ , we write the exponent vectors of the binomial generators into the rows of a matrix as in Lemma 5.3.3 and obtain

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which is of rank two. Hence, by Lemma 5.3.3, the dimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_i, T_9)$  is five on  $\mathbb{T}^9 \cdot (0, 1, \ldots, 1, 0)$  or  $\mathbb{T}^9 \cdot (1, \ldots, 1, 0, 0)$  for i = 1, 8 respectively. One directly checks that on the smaller tori the dimension is also at most six. For instance setting the second component to zero, we obtain the variety  $V(T_i, T_9, T_2, T_3T_5, T_6T_7)$  in  $\mathbb{K}^9$  of dimension four. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with its degree matrix as listed in the table.

We now show that the modification was the desired blow up. Note that the factor ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I'$  with  $I' := \langle T_1, T_8, g_1, g_2 \rangle$  is isomorphic to the integral domain  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/(I + \langle T_9 \rangle)$ . Hence, I' is prime. Since  $(0, 1, 1, \lambda, 1, \lambda - 1, 1, 0) \in V(I')$ , by Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up using

$$\dim \left( V(\mathbb{K}^8; I') \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V\left( \mathbb{K}^9; T_8, T_9 \right) \right) = 4$$

(VII) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star)$ . These are blow ups of a surface of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2)$ in a point not belonging to one of the two exceptional divisors. By Proposition 5.2.8, the only such surfaces of Picard number four are Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$ . As the contraction of the exceptional divisors must lead to a configuration listed in Proposition 5.1.4, we only have to take the configurations



into account where (2) stands for an iterated blow up. Let  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$ . As a toric variety, the fan  $\Sigma_1$  of  $X_1$  has its rays generated by the columns of

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -a+2 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \Sigma_1 = (-1, -a+2) + (-1, -a+1) + (-1, -a) + ($$

and, by the proof of Proposition 5.2.8, the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a$$
  
$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_6, z_4, z_5 z_6], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4].$$

The surfaces Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star i)$  to Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star iv)$  are obtained as blow ups of  $X_1$  in points  $q_i \in X_1$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1 \circ \pi_2(q_1) &= [1, 0, 0, 1], & \pi_1 \circ \pi_2(q_2) &= [0, 1, 1, 0], \\ \pi_1 \circ \pi_2(q_3) &= [1, 0, 1, 0], & \pi_1 \circ \pi_2(q_4) &= [0, 1, 1, 1] \in \mathbb{F}_a \end{aligned}$$

We may choose the following ones. Note that their existence can be seen by an inspection of  $\Sigma_1$  or by Lemma 5.2.16

$$\begin{array}{rcl} q_1 & := & [1,0,0,1,1,1], \\ q_3 & := & [1,0,1,0,1,1], \\ \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{rcl} q_2 & := & [0,1,1,0,1,1], \\ q_4 & := & [0,1,1,1,1,1] \\ \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{rcl} \in & X_1. \end{array}$$

Therefore, the first three blow ups are toric and hence are performed by the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma_1$  at  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  where the respective vectors are

$$v = (1,1), \quad v = (-1, -a - 1), \quad v = (1, -1).$$

We come to the blowup Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star iv)$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_4$ . The steps are as before. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  the polynomial  $h_1 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7$ . We obtain a new CEMDS  $X'_1$  with degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -a+2 & a-1 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  at  $\iota(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0]$ , we perform the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at v := (0, -1, -1). Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7 - h_1) = T_7 T_8 - T_2^a T_4 + T_3 T_5 T_6^2 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8].$$

As before, one directly checks that the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6 are fulfilled. Hence, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_2$ . Its degree matrix is as listed in the table. By Lemma 5.2.15, we did perform the claimed blow up since  $\langle T_1, T_7, h_1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17 and its zero set contains  $\bar{\iota}((0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1))$  while being four-dimensional.

We now treat the blow ups of  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)$ . As a toric variety, the fan  $\Sigma_1$  of  $X_1$  has its rays generated by the columns of

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -2a+1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \Sigma_1 = (-1, -a+1) + (-1, -a) + (-$$

and, by the proof of Proposition 5.2.8, the previous blow ups  $\pi_i$  are

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a$$
  
$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1 z_6, z_2, z_3, z_4, z_5 z_6], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4]$$

The surfaces Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star v)$  to Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star viii)$  are the blow ups of  $X_1$  in the same points  $q_i \in X_1$  as defined in the previous case, i.e.,

$$\begin{array}{rll} q_1 &:= & [1,0,0,1,1,1], \\ q_3 &:= & [1,0,1,0,1,1], \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{rll} q_2 &:= & [0,1,1,0,1,1], \\ q_4 &:= & [0,1,1,1,1,1] \\ \end{array} \left. \begin{array}{rll} \in & X_1. \end{array} \right.$$

Again, their existence can be seen by inspecting  $\Sigma_1$  or using Lemma 5.2.16. Therefore, the first three blow ups are toric and hence are performed by stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma_1$  at  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  where the respective vectors are

$$v = (1,1), \quad v = (-1, -a - 1), \quad v = (1, -1)$$

We now treat the blow up Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star vii)$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_4$ . The steps are as in previous cases. Choose  $h_1 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2a-1 & -a+1 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $\iota(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in X'_1$ , we perform the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (0, -1, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^3$ . Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7-h_1) = T_7T_8 - T_2^aT_4 + T_3T_5T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_8].$$

By a direct check, using, e.g., Lemma 5.2.17, the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6 are fulfilled. Hence, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_2$ . Its degree matrix is as listed in the table. The performed modification was a blow up, for  $\langle T_1, T_7, h_1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17 and its zero set contains  $\bar{\iota}((0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1))$  while being four-dimensional, see Lemma 5.2.15.

(VIII) Surfaces of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3)$ . Each surface Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3)$  is a blow up of a surface of type Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2)$  in a point in the union of the two exceptional divisors. By Proposition 5.1.4 and Proposition 5.2.8, we need only consider the following configurations where (3) stands for the threefold iterated blow up.

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Thus, we blow up the two surfaces Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)$  listed in Proposition 5.2.8 in a point in the union of the exceptional divisors. Let  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)$ . As a toric variety the fan  $\Sigma_1$  of  $X_1$  has its rays generated by the columns of



The exceptional divisors are  $V(X_1; T_5)$  and  $V(X_1; T_6)$  and their union consists of the toric orbits through the points

$$\begin{array}{rcl} q_1 &:= & [1,1,0,1,1,0], & q_2 &:= & [1,1,1,1,1,0], & q_3 &:= & [1,1,1,1,0,0], \\ q_4 &:= & [1,1,1,1,0,1], & q_5 &:= & [0,1,1,1,0,1] &\in X_1. \end{array}$$

Note that all points exist by Lemma 5.2.16 or by an inspection of  $\Sigma_1$ . The automorphism  $z \mapsto (z_1, z_2, z_3 - z_1^2 z_2^{a-2} z_4 z_5, z_4, \ldots, z_6)$  of  $\widehat{X}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^6$  maps the point  $q_2$  to  $q_1$ ; compare Lemma 5.1.5. The blow ups of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  (and thus  $q_2$ ),  $q_3$  as well as  $q_5$ are toric. They are determined by the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma_1$  at  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  where

$$v = (-1, -a + 3),$$
  $v = (-2, -2a + 3),$   $v = (-2, -2a + 1),$ 

respectively. The resulting toric surfaces are called Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 i)$ , Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 v)$ ; their Cox rings can be found in the table.

We now consider the blow up Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iv)$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_4$ . The steps are as in previous cases. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  the polynomial  $h_1 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in the point  $\iota(q) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0]$  we perform the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at v := (-1, -2, -1). Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7 - h_1) = T_7 T_8 - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 + T_3 T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8].$$

Using Lemma 5.2.17, the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6 are fulfilled. Hence, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_2$ . Its degree matrix is as listed in the table. By Lemma 5.2.15, we have performed a blow up since  $\langle T_5, T_7, h_1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17 and its zero set contains  $\overline{\iota}((1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1))$  while being four-dimensional.

We now treat the blow ups of  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)$ . Its fan  $\Sigma_1$  and generators for its rays are

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -2a+1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \Sigma_{1} = (-1, -a+1) (0, -1) (0, -1) (-1, -a) (-1, -a)$$

The exceptional divisors are  $V(X_1; T_5)$  and  $V(X_1; T_6)$  and their union consists of the toric orbits through the points

Note that all points exist by Lemma 5.2.16 or by an inspection of  $\Sigma_1$ . The automorphism  $z \mapsto (z_1, z_2, z_3 - z_1 z_2^{a-1} z_4 z_6, z_4, \ldots, z_6)$  of  $\widehat{X}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^6$  maps  $q_2$  to  $q_1$ . The blow ups of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  (and hence  $q_2$ ),  $q_3$  and  $q_5$  are toric. They are determined by the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma_1$  at  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  where

$$v = (-1, -a+2),$$
  $v = (-3, -3a+2),$   $v = (-3, -3a+1),$ 

respectively. The resulting toric surfaces are called Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 vi)$ , Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 vii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 x)$ . The latter two can be found in the table; the former will be isomorphic to another surface and sorted out at the end of this proof.

We now consider the blow up Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 ix)$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_4$ . The steps are the same as in previous cases. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  the polynomial  $h_1 := T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5$ for the embedding  $\overline{\iota} \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$ whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in the point  $\iota(q_4) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0]$  we insert the ray through v := (0, -2, -1) into  $\Sigma'_1$  by performing the stellar subdivision at  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^3$ . Set  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7 - h_1) = T_7 T_8 - T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 + T_3^2 T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8].$$

As before, one directly checks that the requirements for Theorem 4.2.6 are fulfilled. This leaves us with the Cox ring  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I_2$  of the performed modification. Its degree matrix is as listed in the table. The ideal  $\langle T_6, T_7, h_1 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$  is prime by Lemma 5.2.17, its zero set contains  $\bar{\iota}((1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0))$  and is four-dimensional. By Lemma 5.2.15 the modification was the wanted blow up.

Isomorphisms: We now remove redundancies between the obtained surfaces. More precisely, we will show that the surfaces not listed in the table of Theorem 5.3.1 are isomorphic to surfaces appearing in the table. Keep in mind that also these redundant Cox rings have been presented explicitly throughout this proof. We first treat the toric then the non-toric  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces. Note that, in our case, exactly the surfaces without a relation in their Cox ring are toric as the total coordinate spaces of the other ones are singular.

Given toric surfaces  $Z_1$ ,  $Z_2$ , we write primitive generators for the rays of their fans into the columns of matrices  $P_{Z_1}$ ,  $P_{Z_2}$ . By Remark 5.2.10, we then have

$$Z_1 \cong Z_2 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad A \cdot P_{Z_1} \rightleftharpoons P_{Z_2} \quad \text{with} \quad A \in \mathrm{GL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$$

in the notation of 5.2.9. We will reuse the matrices  $P_{Z_i}$  from the proof if possible. Otherwise, we will use Gale dual matrices computed with Algorithm 2.1.25 from the respective degree matrices.

$Z_1 \cong Z_2$	$AP_{Z_1} = P_{Z_2}$ with $A \in \operatorname{GL}(2,\mathbb{Z})$	_
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xi)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_3(\star^3 iii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$	

Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star ii)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 ii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 i)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star i)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{2} \star^{2} ii)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{2} \star^{2} iii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star i)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star iii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} v)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} vi)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -a+2 & -2a+1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -2a+1 & -a+2 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{2} \star i)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a-1}(\star^{2} \star iii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -a+2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\stackrel{=}{\leftarrow} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -a+1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+2 & -a+3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
$ \begin{array}{l} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} i) \\ \cong \\ \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a-1}(\star^{2} \star ii) \end{array} $	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -a+2 & -a+3 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -a+1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+2 & -a+3 & -a \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} iii)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a-1}(\star^{2} \star vi)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -a+2 & -2a+3 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ -a+1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+2 & -2a+3 & -a \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} vi)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a-2}(\star^{3} xiii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -2a+1 & -a+2 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 \\ -a+2 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -a & -2a+1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star^2 \star v)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star vii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -a - 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a & -2a - 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a + 1 & -2a + 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} v)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} vi)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -a+2 & -2a+1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\rightleftharpoons \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ -a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -a+1 & -2a+1 & -a+2 \end{bmatrix}$

X	$D_{1}^{2}$	$D_2^2$	$D_{3}^{2}$	$D_4^2$	$D_{5}^{2}$	$D_{6}^{2}$	$D_{7}^{2}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 ix)$	$\geq 0$	-2	$^{-1}$	-3	-2	-1	-1
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xiii)$	$\geq 0$	-2	$\geq 0$	-2	-3	-2	$^{-1}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xv)$	$\geq 0$	-3	$\geq 0$	-2	-2	-2	-1
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 iii)$	$^{-1}$	$\geq 0$	-2	-2	-2	-1	-1
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star^2 iv)$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-3	-2	-2	$^{-1}$	-1
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star i)$	-1	-2	$^{-1}$	-2	$^{-1}$	$^{-1}$	-1
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star i)$	-1	$^{-1}$	$\geq 0$	-a	-2	$^{-1}$	-1
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star v)$	-2	$^{-1}$	$\geq 0$	-a	-2	$^{-1}$	-1
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 i)$	-1	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-2	-2	-1
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iii)$	-1	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-3	-2	-1
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 v)$	-2	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-3	-1	-1
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 viii)$	-2	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-3	-2	$^{-1}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 x)$	-3	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-a	-2	-2	-1

We show that the listed toric surfaces are pairwise non-isomorphic by comparing the respective self intersection numbers  $D_i^2$  where  $D_i := V(X; T_i)$ .

Counting the number of (-k)-curves we can rule out all isomorphisms except for the following.

$$Bl \mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{4} xiii) \rightarrow Bl \mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{4} xv)$$
  

$$Bl \mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{4} ix) \rightarrow Bl \mathbb{F}_{3}(\star^{2} \star v), \qquad Bl \mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{2} \star^{2} iv) \rightarrow Bl \mathbb{F}_{3}(\star^{3} i),$$
  

$$Bl \mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} iii) \rightarrow Bl \mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} v), \qquad Bl \mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} viii) \rightarrow Bl \mathbb{F}_{a}(\star^{3} x).$$

The first three ones are not possible by Algorithm 5.2.11. To rule out the other isomorphisms we compare the intersection behavior of negative curves, i.e., their exceptional graphs. To this end, consider the fans  $\Sigma(\star^3 iii)$  and  $\Sigma(\star^3 v)$  of the surfaces Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 v)$  where the self-intersection numbers of the divisors  $D_{\rho}$  corresponding to rays  $\rho$  are drawn beside the rays.

$$\Sigma(\star^{3} iii) = \underbrace{\begin{smallmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{smallmatrix}}_{-a}^{\geq 0} \Sigma(\star^{3} v) = \underbrace{\begin{smallmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{smallmatrix}}_{-a}^{\geq 0}$$

Thus, on Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 v)$ , a (-2)-curve has non-trivial intersection with a (-1)-curve and a (-a)-curve which is not the case on Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iii)$ . We proceed similarly for Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 viii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 x)$ . Their fans  $\Sigma(\star^3 viii)$  and  $\Sigma(\star^3 x)$  and selfintersection numbers of the  $D_{\rho}$  are



On Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star x)$  there is a (-3)-curve that meets the (-a)-curve. This is not the case on the surface Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star viii)$ .

We come to isomorphisms between the found non-toric  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces. By Algorithm 5.2.14 and Remark 5.2.13, two  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  are isomorphic if and only if the degree matrices  $Q_i$  of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  coincide up to multiplication by admissible matrices, i.e.,

$$A \cdot Q_1 = Q_2 \cdot U$$
 with  $A \in GL(5, \mathbb{Z})$ 

admissible and U is a block-invariant, admissible permutation matrix. We use the notation of 5.2.9 where U is given implicitly.

$X_1 \cong X_2$	$AQ_1 = Q_2$ with $A \in \operatorname{GL}(5,\mathbb{Z})$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 i)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 ii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 v)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 viii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vi)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vii)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 i)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_3(\star \star \star iv)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 iii)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{F}_3(\star^3 iv)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xii)$ $\cong$ Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 v)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ $ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Bl} \mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{3} \star i) \\ \underset{\cong}{\cong} \\ \text{Bl} \mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{2} \star ii) \\ \stackrel{\cong}{\cong} \\ \text{Bl} \mathbb{P}_{2}(\star^{2} \star ii) \\ \stackrel{\cong}{=} \\ \begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ \stackrel{\cong}{=} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ \stackrel{\cong}{=} \\ \begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{array} \right] \\ \stackrel{\cong}{=} \\ \begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ \stackrel{\cong}{=} \\ \begin{array}{c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -a + 3 & a - 2 \end{array} \right] \\ \stackrel{\cong}{=} \\ \stackrel{\cong}{=} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & a - 1 & -a + 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & -a + 3 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

By Remark 5.2.13, there are no further isomorphisms between the listed  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces except possibly between Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star ii)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iii)$ . However, this cannot be the case as, by the blow up sequence, the self intersection numbers of the  $D_i := V(X; T_i)$  are different for each  $a \geq 3$ :

X	$D_{1}^{2}$	$D_{2}^{2}$	$D_{3}^{2}$	$D_4^2$	$D_{5}^{2}$	$D_{6}^{2}$	$D_{7}^{2}$	$D_{8}^{2}$
$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star ii)$	-1	$^{-1}$	-2	-1	-1	-1	٠	$^{-1}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iii)$	-1	-1	$\geq 0$	-a	-1	-1	٠	$^{-1}$

**Remark 5.3.7.** In the proof of Theorem 5.3.1, we presented the self-intersection numbers of all occurring toric surfaces. The self-intersection numbers for the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces X listed in Theorem 5.3.1 are as follows. Let  $D_i := V(X; T_i)$ . We write • if we do not know the value from the blow up sequence.

X	$D_{1}^{2}$	$D_2^2$	$D_{3}^{2}$	$D_4^2$	$D_{5}^{2}$	$D_{6}^{2}$	$D_{7}^{2}$	$D_{8}^{2}$	$D_{9}^{2}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 iv)$	$\geq 0$	$^{-1}$	$\geq 0$	-2	-3	٠	-1	٠	-1
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 v)$	$\geq 0$	-1	$\geq 0$	-2	-3	٠	-2	$^{-1}$	
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vi)$	$\geq 0$	-1	$\geq 0$	-2	-2	-2	٠	$^{-1}$	
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xiv)$	$\geq 0$	-2	$\geq 0$	-2	-2	-2	٠	$^{-1}$	
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star ii)$	$\geq 0$	$^{-1}$	-2	-2	-1	$^{-1}$	٠	$^{-1}$	
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star iv)$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	-3	-2	$^{-1}$	$^{-1}$	٠	$^{-1}$	
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star ii)$	$^{-1}$	-1	-2	-1	-1	-1	٠	-1	
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	$\ge 0$ -1 -2 -3 -2 -3	$ \begin{array}{c} \geq 0 \\ -1 \\ \hline \\ \geq 0 \\ \geq 0 \\ \geq 0 \\ \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} -3\\ \geq 0\\ \geq 0\\ \geq 0\\ \geq 0\\ \geq 0\\ \geq 0\\ \geq 0 \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ -a \\ -a \\ -a \\ -a \\ -a \end{array} $	-1 -1 -1 -2 -2	● -1 -1 -1 -1 -1	-1 • -1 •	● -1 -1 -1 -1 -1	-1
$ \begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$		$ \begin{array}{c} \geq 0 \\ -1 \\ \hline \\ \geq 0 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} -3 \\ \geq 0 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ -a \end{array} $	-1 -1 -1 -2 -2 -3	• -1 -1 • -1 -1 -1	-1 • -1 •	• -1 -1 • -1 -1 -1	-1

## 4. Smooth rational surfaces with $\rho(X) = 6$

In this section, building on Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1, we present and prove the central theorem of this chapter, Theorem 5.4.1. We show that each smooth rational surface of Picard number six is a Mori dream space and classify the Cox rings of the families without a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. All Cox rings are given explicitly. Each such surface can be obtained as a blow up of a smooth rational surface of Picard number five as classified in Theorem 5.3.1. Theorem 5.4.1 (as well as the proof of one of the cases) has been stated together with J. Hausen and A. Laface in [57, Sec. 6].

The Cox rings of blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  will be determined computationally using Algorithm 4.5.9 with option verify. For blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  we apply the algorithm in a formal way by the steps explained in Remark 5.2.1.

**Theorem 5.4.1.** Each smooth rational surface X with Picard number  $\varrho(X) \leq 6$  is a Mori dream space. Moreover, the following statements hold.

- (i) If ρ(X) ≤ 5 holds, then either X admits a non-trivial K\*-action or is isomorphic to M
  <sub>0,5</sub>, the blow up of P<sub>2</sub> in four general points. The Cox ring of X is listed in Theorem 5.3.1 or Propositions 5.2.8, 5.2.5, 5.2.4.
- (ii) If ρ(X) = 6 holds, then X admits a non-trivial K<sup>\*</sup>-action or is isomorphic to exactly one of the following surfaces where a ∈ Z≥3.

X	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 i$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{ with } I \text{ generated by } \\ & T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7 T_8 T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_2^2 T_3 T_4 T_5 - T_6^2 T_7 - T_9 T_1 \end{split} $	$10 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star i)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_3 T_5 T_8 - T_2 T_6 - T_9 T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_5 + T_7 T_8 - T_2 T_6^2 T_4 T_{10} \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star ii)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{11}]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_3^2 T_4 T_5^2 T_8 - T_2 T_7 - T_{11} T_{10} \\ & T_2^2 T_4 T_6^2 T_{11} - T_5 T_9 + T_8 T_{10} \\ & T_1 T_5 + T_7 T_8 - T_2 T_4 T_6^2 T_{11}^2, \\ & T_3^2 T_4 T_5 T_8^2 + T_1 T_2 - T_9 T_{11}, \\ & T_3^2 T_4^2 T_5 T_8 T_2 T_6^2 T_{11} - T_7 T_9 \\ & -T_1 T_{10} \end{split}$	$ \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 &$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star iii)$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & T_1T_5 + T_7T_8 - T_2T_4T_6T_{10}, \\ & T_3T_5T_7T_8^2 - T_2^2T_4 - T_9T_{10} \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star i)$ $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{13}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_1 T_{11} - T_4 T_3 T_9 - T_8 T_{12}, \\ & T_1 T_7 - T_2 T_8 + T_3 T_9 T_{13}, \\ & T_2 T_6 + T_7 T_{10} - T_3 T_5 T_{13}, \\ & T_1 T_6 + T_8 T_{10} - T_3 T_4 T_{13}, \end{split} $	$T_{2}T_{11} - \lambda T_{5}T_{3}T_{9} - T_{7}T_{12},$ $(\lambda - 1)T_{1}T_{5} - T_{10}T_{9} - T_{12}T_{13},$ $(\lambda - 1)T_{5}T_{8} + T_{6}T_{9} - T_{11}T_{13},$ $T_{10}T_{11} - (\lambda - 1)T_{4}T_{3}T_{5} + T_{6}T_{12},$ $(\lambda - 1)T_{4}T_{7} + \lambda T_{6}T_{9} - T_{11}T_{13},$ $(\lambda - 1)T_{2}T_{4} - \lambda T_{10}T_{9} - T_{12}T_{13},$
	$\left[\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$	$ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} $

Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star$ $\star\star\star ii)$ $\lambda \neq \mu \in$ $\mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{16}]/I & (\lambda-\mu)T_3T_5+\mu T_7T_{10}-T_{13}T_{16}, \\ & (-\lambda+1)T_5T_{14}+(-\mu+1)T_6T_{15}+T_{10}T_{11}, \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by & (\lambda-1)T_5T_8+(-\mu+1)T_6T_9-T_{11}T_{16}, \\ & T_6T_{12}+\lambda T_7T_{14}-T_8T_{13}, \\ & T_5T_{12}-\mu T_7T_{15}-T_9T_{13}, \\ & T_4T_{13}-\lambda T_5T_{14}-\mu T_6T_{15}, \\ & T_4T_{13}-T_2T_{14}-T_8T_{15}, \\ & T_4T_{13}-T_2T_{14}-T_8T_{13}, \\ & T_1T_{13}-T_2T_{14}-T_8T_{13}, \\ & T_1T_{11}-T_8T_{15}-T_9T_{14}, \\ & T_2T_{11}-T_7T_{15}-T_9T_{13}, \\ & (\lambda-\mu)T_2T_8+(-\lambda\mu+\lambda)T_3T_9-T_{12}T_{16}, \\ & (\lambda-\mu)T_2T_8+\lambda T_7T_{10}-T_{13}T_{16}, \\ & (\lambda-\mu)T_2T_4-\lambda T_9T_{10}-T_{15}T_{16}, \\ & (\lambda-\mu)T_1T_7+(\lambda-\mu)T_3T_9-T_{12}T_{16}, \\ & (\lambda-\mu)T_1T_6-T_8T_{10}+T_{14}T_{16}, \\ & (\lambda-\mu)T_1T_5-T_9T_{10}-T_{15}T_{16} \end{split} $
	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star iii)$	$ \begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{11}]/I \\ \text{with $I$ generated by} \\ T_6T_2T_4 + T_5T_9 - T_8T_{10}, \\ T_3T_4T_8 - T_1T_6 - T_9T_{11}, \\ T_3T_4T_5 + T_6T_7 - T_{11}T_{10}, \\ T_1T_5 + T_7T_8 - T_2T_4T_{11}, \\ T_3T_4^2T_2 - T_7T_9 - T_1T_{10} \end{split} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star iv)$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3T_5T_8-T_2T_6-T_9T_{10}, \\ & T_1T_5+T_7T_8-T_2T_4T_{10} \end{split} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star vi)$	$ \begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ with \ I \ generated \ by \\ T_1 T_5 T_{10} - T_2 T_6 - T_7 T_8, \\ T_2 T_4 T_7^{a-1} T_8^{a-2} - T_3 T_5 \\ -T_9 T_{10} \end{split} \qquad \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$Bl \mathbb{F}_{a}(\star\star\\\star\star xiv)\\\kappa\in\mathbb{K}^{*}\\\dagger\dagger$	$ \begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{11}]/I & T_{10}T_{11} - T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6, \\ with \ I \ generated \ by & -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} T_{11}^a + T_3 T_5, \\ T_7 T_8 - T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} T_{11}^a + T_3 T_5, \\ T_9 T_{11} - T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} - \kappa T_6 T_7, \end{split} $
	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 &$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3\star i)$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 T_{10} - T_7 T_8, \\ & T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_8 - T_3 T_6 - T_9 T_{10} \end{split} \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3\star$ <i>ii</i> )	$\begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ with \ I \ generated \ by \\ T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_6 T_{10} T_5 - T_7 T_8, \\ T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_7 T_8^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \\ -T_9 T_{10} \end{split}$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^4 i$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \\ & -T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 T_7 T_9 \\ & +T_7 T_8 T_9^2 \end{split} $	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2\star^2)$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & with \ I \ generated \ by \\ & ^2 T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 \\ & -T_7 T_9 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6 \\ & +T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \end{split} $	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	

All surfaces except possibly the surfaces marked with a single  $\dagger$  do not admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. The surface marked with  $\dagger \dagger$  has the listed ring as its Cox ring for  $a \leq 15$ ; for a > 15 it is a Mori dream surface having the H<sub>2</sub>-equivariant normalization of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{11}]/(I : (T_1 \cdots T_{11})^{\infty})$  as its Cox ring.

For the following remark, recall from [5, Thm. V.2.1.7] that a weak del Pezzo surface is a surface that is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_1$ , to  $\mathbb{F}_2$  or to a blow up

$$X_r \longrightarrow X_{r-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow X_1 \longrightarrow X_0 = \mathbb{P}_2$$

of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  in  $0 \leq r \leq 8$  points  $p_1, \ldots, p_r$  in almost general position, i.e.,  $p_i \in X_{i-1}$ , no four points are mapped to the same line in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and for each *i*, the total transform of the exceptional divisor over  $p_i \in X_{i-1}$  is a chain of rational curves where the last one is a (-1)-curve and the remaining ones are (-2)-curves. The degree of a weak del Pezzo surface is 9 - r.

**Remark 5.4.2.** In Theorem 5.4.1, the weak del Pezzo surfaces of degree four, i.e., with r = 5, are

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$$\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star ii),$$
 Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star i),$   
Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star ii),$  Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star ii),$  Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star \star iv).$ 

Their Cox rings have been predicted in [32, Sec 6.4]. All other surfaces listed in the table of Theorem 5.4.1 contain (-k)-curves with  $k \geq 3$ . This can be seen from Remark 5.3.7 and the blow up sequence shown in the proof of Theorem 5.4.1. Therefore, these surfaces do not appear in [32].

**Lemma 5.4.3** (Serre's criterion). Let  $f_1, \ldots, f_s \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be homogeneous polynomials with respect to a pointed grading of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  by a lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ . Write  $I := \langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$  and  $\overline{X} := V(\mathbb{K}^r; I)$ . Then I is prime if there is an open subset  $U \subseteq \overline{X}$  such that

$$\operatorname{codim}_{\overline{X}}(\overline{X} \setminus U) \ge 2, \quad \operatorname{rank}\left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial T_j}(u)\right)_{i,j} = s \quad \text{for all } u \in U.$$

*Proof.* We first show that  $\overline{X}$  is connected. Let  $w_i \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  be the degree of  $T_i$ . Write  $\vartheta := \operatorname{cone}(w_1, \ldots, w_r) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  for the weight cone and choose an element  $u \in (\vartheta^{\vee})^{\circ}$ . Since  $\vartheta$  is pointed, we obtain a  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -grading of the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  by

setting deg $(T_i) := a_i$  where  $a_i := u(w_i) > 0$ . Note that I is homogeneous. For each two points  $x, x' \in \overline{X}$  there are one-parameter subgroups  $\mathbb{K}^* \to \mathbb{T}^r$  given by

$$t \mapsto (t^{a_1}x_1, \dots, t^{a_r}x_r), \quad t \mapsto (t^{a_1}x'_1, \dots, t^{a_r}x'_r),$$

respectively, that leave  $\overline{X}$  invariant and have limit 0 for  $t \to 0$  since  $a_i > 0$  for all *i*. This shows that  $\overline{X}$  is connected. By Serre's criterion [73, 6.2], *I* is radical,  $R := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  a complete intersection and  $\overline{X}$  a normal variety. By [36, Thm. 18.15], R is a product of integral domains. Since  $\overline{X}$  is connected, R is an integral domain, i.e.,  $\sqrt{I} = I$  is prime.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 5.4.4.** Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  be an ideal such that  $T_k - f \in I$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq r$  and  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_i; i \neq k] =: R_k$ . Let  $I_k \subseteq R_k$  be the ideal generated by the image of I under

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r] \to R_k, \qquad T_k \mapsto f, \qquad T_i \mapsto T_i \text{ for } i \neq k.$$

Then  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is prime if and only if  $I_k \subseteq R_k$  is prime. Moreover, we have dim $(V(\mathbb{K}^r; I)) = \dim(V(\mathbb{K}^{r-1}; I_k)).$ 

*Proof.* This statement is due to the observation that  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  is isomorphic to  $R_k/I_k$ .  $\square$ 

Amongst others, the following lemma describes the behavior of the irrelevant ideal under a toric blow up  $Z_2 \to Z_1$ . Let  $\Sigma_i \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^d$  be the fan corresponding to  $Z_i$ . Assume the rays of  $\Sigma_i$  are  $\varrho_1^i, \ldots, \varrho_r^i$ . Define

$$\nu_i \colon \Sigma_i \to \{0,1\}^r, \qquad \nu_i(\sigma)_j := \begin{cases} 1, & \varrho_j^i \not\subseteq \sigma, \\ 0, & \varrho_j^i \subseteq \sigma. \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 5.4.5.** In Setting 4.2.5, let  $Z_1$  be a smooth toric variety with dense torus  $\mathbb{T}_{Z_1}$  and fan  $\Sigma_1$  with rays  $\varrho_1, \ldots, \varrho_r$ . Assume  $\pi: Z_2 \to Z_1$  arises from the barycentric subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma_1$  of a cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma_1$ . Suppose  $X_1 \cap (\mathbb{T}_{Z_1} \cdot z(\sigma)) = \{[p_1]\}$ with  $p_1 \in \widehat{Z}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  and  $\pi$  induces a blow up of  $X_1$  in  $[p_1]$ . Let  $V(Z_2; T_{r+1})$  be the exceptional divisor of the blow up  $\pi$ .

(i) The ideal of  $\overline{Z}_2 \setminus \widehat{Z}_2$  in the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{r+1}]$  is

$$\left\langle T^{\nu_1(\sigma')}T_{r+1}; \ \sigma' \in \Sigma_1^{\max} \setminus \{\sigma\} \right\rangle + \left\langle T^{\nu_1(\sigma)}T_i; \ \varrho_i \subseteq \sigma, \ 1 \le i \le r \right\rangle.$$

- (ii) The set (X̂<sub>1</sub> × {1}) ∩ X̄<sub>2</sub> is contained in X̂<sub>2</sub>.
  (iii) Let p<sub>2</sub> ∈ X̄<sub>2</sub> ⊆ K<sup>r+1</sup>. Then p<sub>2</sub> is contained in X̂<sub>2</sub> if there is 1 ≤ j ≤ r with

$$(p_2)_j \neq 0, \qquad (p_1)_j = 0, \qquad \prod_{(p_1)_i \neq 0} (p_2)_i \neq 0$$

*Proof.* First, recall from [5, Prop. II.1.3.3] that the vanishing ideal of  $\overline{Z}_i \setminus \widehat{Z}_i$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_r]$  is  $J_i := \langle T^{\nu_i(\sigma')}; \sigma' \in \Sigma_i^{\max} \rangle$ . Let  $\varrho_{r+1} \in \Sigma_2$  be the ray corresponding to the exceptional divisor  $V(Z_2; T_{r+1})$ . For the first statement, each maximal cone  $\sigma' \in \Sigma_2$  either is a maximal cone of  $\Sigma_1$  or contains  $\varrho_{r+1}$ . In the former case,  $\nu_2(\sigma') = (\nu_1(\sigma'), 1)$  whereas in the latter case  $\sigma' \subseteq \sigma$  which, by regularity of  $\Sigma_i$ , contains exactly one more of the rays  $\rho_i$  than  $\sigma'$  where  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . This shows (i).



For (ii), consider  $q_2 := (q_1, 1) \in \overline{X}_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{r+1}$  with  $q_1 \in \widehat{X}_1$ . Since  $q_1 \notin V(J_1)$ , we have  $T^{\nu_1(\sigma')}(q_1) \neq 0$  for a maximal cone  $\sigma' \in \Sigma_1$ . If  $\varrho_{r+1} \not\subseteq \sigma'$ , then  $(q_1, 1) \notin V(J_2)$  as

$$T^{\nu_2(\sigma')}(q_1, 1) = T^{\nu_1(\sigma')}(q_1) \neq 0$$

by the first statement. On the other hand, if  $\rho_{r+1} \subseteq \sigma'$ , we have  $\sigma' = \sigma$ . Assume  $(T^{\nu_1(\sigma)}T_i)(q_1,1) = 0$  for all rays  $\rho_i \subseteq \sigma$  with  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . Since  $T^{\nu_1(\sigma)}(q_1) \neq 0$ , we have  $(q_1)_i = 0$  for all  $\rho_i \subseteq \sigma$ . This means,  $q_1$  lies in the toric orbit  $\mathbb{T}_{Z_1} \cdot z(\tau)$  corresponding to a cone  $\tau \in \Sigma_1$  with  $\sigma \preceq \tau$ . By assumption, we have

$$\{[q_1]\} \subseteq X_1 \cap (\mathbb{T}_{Z_1} \cdot z(\tau)) \subseteq X_1 \cap (\mathbb{T}_{Z_1} \cdot z(\sigma))) = \{[p_1]\},\$$

and thus  $[p_1] = [q_1] \in X_1$ . Because  $\pi([q_1, 1]) = [q_1] = [p_1]$  this implies that  $[q_1, 1]$  is an element of the exceptional divisor  $V(Z_2; T_{r+1})$ , a contradiction.

We come to (iii). Since  $\sigma \in \Sigma_1$ , the monomial  $T^{\nu_1(\sigma)} = \prod_{(p_1)_i \neq 0} T_i$  is an element of the ideal  $J_1$ . Since  $(p_1)_j = 0$ , we have  $\varrho_j \subseteq \sigma$ . By (i) and the requirements on  $p_2$  we conclude

$$T_j \cdot \prod_{(p_1)_i \neq 0} T_i \in J_2, \qquad p_2 \in \overline{X}_2 \setminus V\left(\mathbb{K}^{r+1}; J_2 + I_2\right) = \widehat{X}_2.$$

The following proposition will be used to identify non-isomorphic surfaces in the proof of Theorem 5.4.1. We call the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  of a Mori dream space X minimally presented if the Cl(X)-grading is pointed and no generator of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  may be omitted.

**Proposition 5.4.6.** Consider Mori dream spaces  $X_1, X_2$  sharing the same class group  $\operatorname{Cl}(X_i) = \mathbb{Z}^n$ . Assume both Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  are generated by  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  elements and are minimally presented. If  $X_1 \cong X_2$ , then the following assertions hold.

(i) There is a permutation  $\sigma \in \text{Sym}(r)$  such that for the corresponding permutation matrix  $U_{\sigma} \in \text{GL}(r,\mathbb{Z})$  the  $n \times r$  degree matrices  $Q_i$  satisfy

 $S \cdot Q_1 \cdot U_{\sigma} = Q_2$  for some  $S \in \operatorname{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z}).$ 

- (ii) Let L<sub>i</sub> be the lists consisting of the sorted absolute values of all n × n minors of the Q<sub>i</sub>. Then L<sub>1</sub> = L<sub>2</sub>.
- (iii) There is  $\sigma \in \text{Sym}(r)$  such that the Hermite normal forms of  $Q_1 \cdot U_{\sigma}$  and of  $Q_2$  are equal up to units.

The idea of the proof of Proposition 5.4.6 is to track the permutation of certain "minimal weight vectors"; this concept is used in an ongoing project together with J. Hausen. Let K be a finitely generated abelian group. Consider an affine K-algebra  $R = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  with a pointed K-grading  $R = \bigoplus_{w \in K} R_w$  and a K-homogeneous ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ . We order the elements of K by

$$w \le w' \quad :\Leftrightarrow \quad w' = w + w''$$
(6) for some  $w'' \in K$ .



**Definition 5.4.7.** Let  $S(R) := \{w \in K; R_w \neq \{0\}\}$ . A vector  $w \in S(R)$  is *originary* if it is minimal in S(R) with respect to the relation  $\leq$  defined in (6). We denote the set of originary vectors by  $\operatorname{orig}(R) \subseteq S(R)$ .

For instance, if  $w \in S(R)$  and w is an element of a Hilbert basis for the weight cone  $\vartheta \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  of R or w is a primitive generator of a ray  $\rho \preceq \vartheta$ , then w is originary.

**Remark 5.4.8.** In Definition 5.4.7, the originary vectors are the elements  $w \in S(R)$  such that

$$f \notin \mathbb{K} \left[ \bigcup_{w_0 < w} R_{w_0} \right]$$
 for some  $f \in R_w$ .

Let  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$  be finitely generated abelian groups and  $R_i$  two K-algebras that are graded by  $K_i$ . Recall, e.g., from [5, Sec. I.1.1], that an *isomorphism of graded* algebras is a pair  $(\psi, \alpha)$  with an isomorphism  $\psi: R_1 \to R_2$  of algebras and an isomorphism  $\alpha: K_1 \to K_2$  of groups such that

 $\psi((R_1)_w) = (R_2)_{\alpha(w)}$  for all  $w \in K$ .

Moreover, a homomorphism  $\psi \colon R_1 \to R_2$  of algebras is called *graded* if there is a homomorphism  $\alpha \colon K_1 \to K_2$  of groups such that  $\psi((R_1)_w) \subseteq (R_2)_{\alpha(w)}$  for all  $w \in K$ .

**Lemma 5.4.9.** Let K, K' be finitely generated abelian groups and R, R' affine  $\mathbb{K}$ algebras with respective pointed K- and K'-gradings. Each isomorphism  $(\psi, \alpha) \colon R \to R'$  satisfies  $\alpha(\operatorname{orig}(R)) = \operatorname{orig}(R')$ .

*Proof.* As  $(\psi, \alpha)$  is an isomorphism, we have  $\alpha(S(R_1)) = S(R_2)$ . Note that  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism of posets, i.e.,  $w \leq w'$  in S(R) if and only if  $\alpha(w) \leq \alpha(w')$  in S(R'). In particular, the minimal elements of S(R) are mapped to the minimal elements of S(R'), as claimed.

**Lemma 5.4.10.** Consider a Mori dream space X with Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  that is minimally presented by the generators  $f_1, \ldots, f_s$ . Then the set of originary vectors of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is  $\{\deg(f_1), \ldots, \deg(f_s)\}$ .

*Proof.* We write  $R := \mathcal{R}(X)$ . Assume there were  $1 \leq j \leq s$  with  $\deg(f_j)$  not originary. This means we have

$$f_j \in \mathbb{K}\left[\bigcup_{w_0 < \deg(f_j)} R_{w_0}\right]$$

In particular,  $f_j$  can be removed from the presentation of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ , a contradiction. For the reverse inclusion, assume  $w \in \operatorname{orig}(R)$  is given such that  $w \neq \operatorname{deg}(f_j)$  for all  $1 \leq j \leq s$ . Since no generator  $f_j$  is an element of  $R_w$ , any  $0 \neq f \in R_w$  is a combination  $f = \sum h_i f_i$  with  $h_i \in R$ . In particular, w is not originary.  $\Box$ 

Proof of Proposition 5.4.6. If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are isomorphic, there is an isomorphism  $(\psi, \beta)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ -graded K-algebras  $\mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$ ; compare [5, 6]. Note that  $\beta \colon \mathbb{Z}^n \to \mathbb{Z}^n$  is given by a matrix  $S \in \mathrm{GL}(n,\mathbb{Z})$ . Since  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  is minimally presented, by Lemmas 5.4.10 and 5.4.9, generator degrees in  $\mathrm{Cl}(X_1)$  are mapped to generator degrees in  $\mathrm{Cl}(X_2)$  under  $\beta$ , i.e.,

 $S \cdot Q_1 \cdot U_{\sigma} = Q_2$  for some  $\sigma \in \operatorname{Sym}(r)$ .

In particular, the Hermite normal forms of  $Q_1 \cdot U_{\sigma}$  and  $Q_2$  coincide up to units. This shows (i) and (iii). Statement (ii) follows from (i) and the fact that up to sign the maximal minors of a matrix are invariant with respect to multiplication by an invertible matrix.

The following observations will be useful in the proof of Theorem 5.4.1, to identify surfaces that do admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. The next lemma uses a result from P. Orlik and P. Wagreich [86].

**Lemma 5.4.11.** Compare [86]. Consider a surface  $X_1$  admitting a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ action. Let  $X_2$  be the blow up of a point  $x \in X_1$  with Cox coordinates  $z \in \widehat{X}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$ . If x is a fixed point, then  $X_2$  admits a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. In particular, this is the case if one of the following conditions hold.

- (i)  $X_1$  is toric and x is not contained in in the big  $\mathbb{T}_{X_1}$ -orbit of  $X_1$ .
- (ii)  $X_1$  is non-toric, embedded equivariantly into its canonical toric ambient variety and there are  $i \neq j$  such that  $z_i = z_j = 0$ .

*Proof.* If x is a fixed point,  $X_2$  admits again a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action by [86]. For (ii), the intersection of the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -invariant divisors  $V(X_1; T_i)$  and  $V(X_1; T_j)$  is again  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -invariant, i.e., is a hyperbolic fixed point, see Proposition 1.5.10.

For the first statement, the dense torus  $\mathbb{T}_{X_1}$  of  $X_1$  can be obtained as  $\mathbb{T}_{X_1} = \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[E]$  with a lattice E, see Remark 1.1.2. By assumption, x belongs to a torus orbit  $\mathbb{T} \cdot z(\sigma)$  with the distinguished point  $z(\sigma) \in X_1$  of a cone  $\{0\} \neq \sigma \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \otimes F$  of the fan of  $X_1$ . Consider the sublattice  $L := F \cap \lim_{\mathbb{Q}} (\sigma) \subseteq F$ . The inclusion  $L \to F$  corresponds to an epimorphism  $Q: E \to K$  of the dual lattices. By [5, Prop. II.1.4.2], we have

$$\operatorname{rank}(K_{\sigma}) \geq 1$$
 where  $K_{\sigma} := K / Q(\sigma^{\perp} \cap E)$ 

Hence, the isotropy group  $H_{z(\sigma)} = \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K_{\sigma}]$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{T}_{X_1}$  of dimension at least one. This means, x lies on a fixed point curve of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action and  $X_2$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

**Lemma 5.4.12.** Let X be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. Consider negative curves  $D, D' \subseteq X$  that each intersect at least three other negative curves on X non-trivially. Given a negative curve  $E \subseteq X$ , we have

$$D \cap E = \emptyset$$
 or  $D' \cap E = \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition 1.5.10, D and D' must be sink and source of the  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action on X. In particular, they must not meet, i.e.,  $D \cap D' = \emptyset$ . If  $E \notin \{D, D'\}$ , then the contraction  $X \to X'$  of E yields again a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface X'. In terms of P-matrices as in 1.5.2 this means deleting a column. Let Z and Z' be the canonical toric ambient varieties of X and X' as in 1.5.7. Since the fan of Z' is obtained by contraction of a ray of the fan of Z we have a toric contraction

$$(\varphi, \tilde{\varphi}): Z \to Z'$$
 where  $\tilde{\varphi} = \operatorname{id}: \mathbb{T}_Z \to \mathbb{T}_{Z'},$ 

 $\varphi$  is proper and the contraction is equivariant. Thus, on X', sink and source have non-trivial intersection.

**Remark 5.4.13.** Let X be a smooth  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. By Proposition 1.5.10, depending on the type of fixed points, the graph of exceptional curves  $G_X$  is of shape



where gray and black vertices are negative curves and white vertices form a complete subgraph of not necessarily negative curves. The graph of case (pp) is called the *Orlik Wagreich graph* defined in [86].

**Remark 5.4.14.** See [37, Cor. 2.6] and compare [64], [50, Kap. 2.1]. Given a binomial ideal  $I \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , let  $T_{i_1}, \ldots, T_{i_s}$  be the variables that are contained in I. Write the exponents of binomial generators of I into a matrix B as in Lemma 5.3.3. Then I is prime if and only if the entries of the Smith normal form of B are elements of  $\{0, \pm 1\}$  and

$$I = \langle T_{i_1}, \dots, T_{i_s} \rangle + (I : f^{\infty}), \qquad f := \prod_{i \notin \{i_1, \dots, i_s\}} T_i.$$

Proof of Theorem 5.4.1. Each surface X of Picard number six can be obtained as blow up of a surface of Picard number five listed in Theorem 5.3.1 such that the contraction of the exceptional divisors on X leads to one of the configurations of Propositions 5.1.2 and 5.1.4, see Remark 5.2.3. We compute the resulting surfaces grouped into originating surface of Picard number five.

Blow ups that lead to (toric or non-toric)  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces will be omitted; they are known to be Mori dream spaces, see, e.g., [5, 61]. Algorithm 4.5.9 will be used directly for blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and formally for blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$ . We will prove or disprove the existence of a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action directly when we encounter the surfaces. In the final step, we present or rule out isomorphisms between the listed surfaces.

(I) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 iv)$ . As seen in the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1, the point configuration and blow up sequence for  $X_1$  are

$$(4) \xrightarrow{(4)} X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_4} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii) \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2) \xrightarrow{\pi_1 \circ \pi_2} \mathbb{P}_2$$

The embeddings  $\iota_i$  are as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 : \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2, 
\bar{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^7 \to \mathbb{K}^8, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_2(z)), \qquad h_2 := (\lambda - 1) T_3^2 T_4 - \lambda T_6 T_7$$

where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}, h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5]$  and  $h_2 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]$ . The blow ups are given by

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 z_9, z_6, z_7, z_8 z_9], \qquad \pi_3([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 z_7, z_6 z_7], \\ \pi_2([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_5, z_3, z_4 z_5], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_7), V(X_1; T_9).$$

By Proposition 5.1.2 and Theorem 5.3.1, we want to blow up  $X_1$  in a point  $q \in X_1$  which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, we blow up  $X_1$  in the point q where

$$q := [0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1] \in X_1, \qquad \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3 \circ \iota_2^{-1} \circ \pi_4(q) = [0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$$

and the existence of q can be seen by an application of Algorithm 2.3.8. By an application of Algorithm 4.5.9 with Remark 5.3.6, the result is again a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface; compare Lemma 5.4.11.

We come to the second configuration, i.e., blow ups of  $X_1$  of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^5)$ . Note that the curve  $V(X_1; T_5)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve. Therefore, by Lemma 5.4.11, blowing up any point q lying in  $V(X_1; T_5)$  or in the intersection of two invariant divisors  $V(X_1; T_i)$  and  $V(X_1; T_j)$  leads to a surface with at least a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action and thus will be omitted. By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider

			$ _{T_5} / T_8$
$q_1$	:=	$[-1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, -\lambda, 1], $	
$q_2$	:=	$[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, \lambda - 1, 1],$	
$q_3$	:=	$[1, 1, 1, \lambda, 1, \lambda - 1, 1, 1, 0].$	19
			$T_6$

By Lemma 5.2.16, all points exist. Using Algorithm 4.5.9 with Remark 5.3.6, we obtain the following Cox rings.

$q_i$	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	legree	ma	trix							
$q_1$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & (\lambda - 1)T_1T_2 - T_5T_6 - T_7T_8, \\ & (\lambda - 1)T_2^2T_3T_4^2T_6^2T_8^2T_{10} \\ & + (-2\lambda + 2)T_2T_3T_4T_6T_8T_9T_{10}^2 \\ & + (\lambda - 1)T_3T_9^2T_{10}^3 - \lambda T_5T_6 - T_7T_8 \end{split}$	$\left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]$	0 1 0 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0 0	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0     \end{array} $		0 0 0 0 1	$     \begin{array}{c}       1 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0 \\       -1     \end{array} $	$5 \\ 8 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ -3$	
$q_2$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 \lambda + T_7 T_8, \\ & T_6 T_{10} T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5 T_8 - T_6 T_{10}^2 T_9 \\ & + (-\lambda + 1) T_1 T_2 + T_7 T_8 \end{split} $	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       1 \\       0 \\     $		$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} $	0 0 1 0 0	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       1 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       -1     \end{array} $	$3 \\ 5 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
$q_3$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7, \\ & T_8 T_{10} T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5 T_7 - \lambda T_8 T_9 T_{10}^2 \\ & + (-\lambda^2 + \lambda) T_1 T_2 + \lambda T_6 T_7 \end{split} $	$\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	0 1 0 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0 0	$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1 \\       0     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       1 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0 \\       -1 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{c}       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       0 \\       1     \end{array} $	$3 \\ 5 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ 1$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

We now show that all three surfaces are  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces since their Cox rings are isomorphic to the following Cox rings belonging to  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces with the same grading:

$$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_{1},\ldots,T_{10}] \Big/ \left\langle \begin{array}{c} (\lambda-1)T_{1}T_{2}-T_{5}T_{6}-T_{7}T_{8}, \\ (\lambda-1)T_{3}T_{9}^{2}T_{10}^{3}-\lambda T_{5}T_{6}-T_{7}T_{8} \end{array} \right\rangle, \\ & \mathbb{K}[T_{1},\ldots,T_{10}] \Big/ \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_{3}^{2}T_{4}-T_{1}T_{2}\lambda+T_{7}T_{8}, \\ -T_{6}T_{10}^{2}T_{9}+(-\lambda+1)T_{1}T_{2}+T_{7}T_{8} \end{array} \right\rangle, \\ & \mathbb{K}[T_{1},\ldots,T_{10}] \Big/ \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_{3}^{2}T_{4}-T_{1}T_{2}-T_{6}T_{7}, \\ -\lambda T_{8}T_{9}T_{10}^{2}+(-\lambda^{2}+\lambda)T_{1}T_{2}+\lambda T_{6}T_{7} \end{array} \right\rangle. \end{split}$$

By Lemma 5.1.5, it suffices to provide  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded isomorphisms  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  that induce isomorphisms of the respective Cox rings. For  $q_1, q_2$  and  $q_3$  we respectively choose

$$\begin{split} T_i &\mapsto \begin{cases} T_1 + T_2 T_3 T_4^2 T_6^2 T_8^2 T_{10} - 2 T_3 T_4 T_6 T_8 T_9 T_{10}^2, & i = 1, \\ T_7 + (\lambda - 1) T_2^2 T_3 T_4^2 T_6^2 T_8 T_{10} - (2\lambda - 2) T_2 T_3 T_4 T_6 T_9 T_{10}^2, & i = 7, \\ T_i, & \text{else}, \end{cases} \\ T_i &\mapsto \begin{cases} T_1 - T_6 T_{10} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_8, & i = 1, \\ T_7 - \lambda T_6 T_{10} T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5, & i = 7, \\ T_i, & \text{else}, \end{cases} \end{split}$$

$$T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_1 + \lambda^{-2} T_8 T_{10} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_7, & i = 1, \\ T_6 - \lambda^{-2} T_8 T_{10} T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5, & i = 6, \\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

(II) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 v)$ . As seen in the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1, the point configuration and blow up sequence for  $X_1$  are

(4)   

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_4} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii) \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2) \xrightarrow{\pi_1 \circ \pi_2} \mathbb{P}_2$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 : \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$  and the blow ups are

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_4([z]) &= [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 z_8, z_6, z_7 z_8], \\ \pi_2([z]) &= [z_1, z_2 z_5, z_3, z_4 z_5], \end{aligned}$$
 
$$\begin{aligned} \pi_3([z]) &= [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 z_7, z_6 z_7], \\ \pi_1([z]) &= [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4]. \end{aligned}$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are

 $V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_7), V(X_1; T_8).$ 

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, we use Algorithm 4.5.9 to blow up  $X_1$  in the following point q; it exists by Algorithm 2.3.8 and we then obtain a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface

 $q := [0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1] \in X_1, \qquad \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3 \circ \pi_4(q) = [0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2.$ 

We come to the second configuration, i.e., blow ups of  $X_1$  of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^5)$ . On  $X_1$ , the curve  $V(X_1; T_5)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve. By Lemma 5.4.11, blow ups of points lying in  $V(X_1; T_5)$  or in the intersection  $V(X_1; T_i) \cap V(X_1; T_j)$  of two invariant divisors yield surfaces with a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action and thus may be omitted. By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the following points.

$q_1$	:=	[1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, -1],	$T_{-}$	$T_7$	
$q_2$	:=	[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0],	<sup>15</sup>	<u> </u>	$T_{6}$
$q_3$	:=	[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1].	-	$T_8$	

By Lemma 5.2.16, all points exist. Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we computed the following Cox rings.

$q_i$	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
$q_1$	$ \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I $ with I generated by $T_5T_6T_7 + T_1T_2 - T_3T_9T_2^2T_4^2T_6^2T_7 + 2T_3T_9^2T_2T_4T_6T_7^2T_8 - T_3T_9^3T_8^2 $	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
<i>q</i> <sub>2</sub>	$ \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I $ with <i>I</i> generated by $ T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7 T_8 T_{10}, $ $ T_1 T_2^2 T_3 T_4 T_5 - T_6^2 T_7 - T_9 T_{10} $	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

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	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_9]/I$										
	with $I$ generated by	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$	0	0	1	0	0	0	1 3	0	
$q_3$	$T^2T$ , $T_{\rm e}T_{\rm e}$ , $T_{\rm e}T_{\rm e}T_$	0	0	1	$-2^{-2}$	Õ	Ő	Ő	$-2^{\circ}$	1	
	$1_3 1_4 - 1_{112} - 1_{61_7} 1_{912} 1_{31415} + T_c T_7 T^2 T_2$		0	0	0	1	0	0	2	$-1 \\ -1$	
	1101/1918	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	$^{-2}$	

Both the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  and the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_3$  are  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces since their Cox rings are isomorphic to the respective Cox rings

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_5 T_6 T_7 + T_1 T_2 - T_3 T_9^3 T_8^2 \rangle, \\ \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 + T_6 T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \rangle$$

of  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces with the same degree matrices as listed in the table. By Lemma 5.1.5, it suffices to consider the isomorphisms induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphisms  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]$  given by

respectively. Denote by  $X_2 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 i)$  the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$ . By an application of Algorithm 2.3.27, its graph  $G_{X_2}$  of exceptional curves is



where gray and black vertices stand for negative curves. Black vertices correspond to curves intersecting at least three other negative curves. By Lemma 5.4.12,  $X_2$  is not a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

(III) Blow ups of  $X_1 := Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 vi)$ . As seen in the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1, the point configuration and blow up sequence for  $X_1$  are



Here, the embeddings  $\iota_i$  are as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2, 
\bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^7 \to \mathbb{K}^8, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_2(z)), \qquad h_2 := T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5 - T_6, 
\bar{\iota}_3 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9, \qquad z \mapsto (z_1, \dots, z_5, z_2 z_3 z_4 z_5 - z_8 z_9, z_6, z_7, z_8)$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$  and  $h_2 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$ ,  $\overline{\iota}_3$  eliminates a fake relation as in Algorithm 4.3.3, the isomorphism  $\varphi$  maps  $z \in \mathbb{K}^8$  to  $(z_1 + z_3 z_4 z_5 z_6 z_8, z_2, \ldots, z_8) \in \mathbb{K}^8$  and the blow ups are

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5, z_6, z_7 z_9, z_8 z_9], \qquad \pi_3([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 z_7, z_6 z_7], \\ \pi_2([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_5, z_3, z_4 z_5], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4].$$

Note that after having eliminated redundant equations with Algorithm 4.3.3 the exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, Algorithm 4.5.9 returns a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface where as input we used  $q := [0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1] \in X_1$ , a point which exists by Algorithm 2.3.8 and satisfies

$$\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3 \circ \iota_2^{-1} \circ \pi_4 \circ \iota_3 \circ \varphi(q) = [0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2.$$

We come to the second configuration, i.e., blow ups of  $X_1$  of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^5)$ . Note that the curve  $V(X_1; T_5)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve. This means that blowing up any point q lying in  $V(X_1; T_5)$  or in the intersection of two invariant divisors  $V(X_1; T_i) \cap V(X_1; T_j)$  leads to a surface with a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action and thus will be left out, see Lemma 5.4.11. By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the points

$q_1$	:=	[1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1],	$T_{-}$	$T_8$	
$q_2$	:=	[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1],	15	<u> </u>	$T_7$
$q_3$	:=	[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0].		$ T_6$	

All points exist by Lemma 5.2.16. Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we computed the following Cox rings.

$q_i$	$\operatorname{Cox} \operatorname{ring} \mathcal{R}(X)$	legree matrix	
$q_1$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_5 T_6 T_7^2 - T_1 T_2 - T_3 T_9 T_2^2 T_4^2 T_5^2 T_7 \\ & + 2 T_3 T_9^2 T_2 T_4 T_5 T_7 T_8 - T_3 T_9^3 T_8^2 \end{split} $	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
$q_2$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I$ with I generated by $T_2T_3T_4T_5 - T_7T_8 - T_9T_{10},$ $T_3^2T_4 - T_1T_2 + T_6T_7T_8^2T_{10}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
$q_3$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 + T_6^2 T_7^2 T_9^2 T_2^2 T_4 T_5^2 \\ & -T_6 T_7^2 T_9^3 T_8 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	

Both the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  and the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_3$  are  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces since their respective Cox rings are isomorphic to the Cox rings

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_5 T_6 T_7^2 - T_1 T_2 - T_3 T_9^3 T_8^2 \rangle, \\ \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7^2 T_9^3 T_8 \rangle$$

of  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces with the same degree matrices as listed in the table; see Lemma 5.1.5. The isomorphisms are induced by the graded homomorphisms  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9] \rightarrow$   $\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_9]$  where

$$T_1 \mapsto T_1 - T_2 T_3 T_4^2 T_5^2 T_7^2 T_9 + 2T_3 T_4 T_5 T_7 T_8 T_9^2, \quad T_i \mapsto T_i \quad \text{for } i \neq 1,$$
  
$$T_1 \mapsto T_1 + T_2 T_4 T_5^2 T_6^2 T_7^2 T_9^2, \qquad T_i \mapsto T_i \quad \text{for } i \neq 1,$$

respectively. Denote by  $X_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 ii)$  the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$ . Using Algorithm 2.3.27 its graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$  is



where gray and black vertices stand for negative curves. Black vertices stand for curves intersecting at least three other negative curves. Since both of them have non-trivial intersection, by Lemma 5.4.12,  $X_2$  is not a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

(IV) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^4 xiv)$ . As seen in the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1, the point configuration and blow up sequence for  $X_1$  are



Here, the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 : \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_1^2 T_2 - T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups are

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5, z_6 z_8, z_7 z_8], \qquad \pi_3([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_6, z_3, z_4, z_5 z_6], \\ \pi_2([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_5, z_3, z_4 z_5], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are  $V(X_1; T_i)$  with i = 4, 5, 6, 8. On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, the direct blow up of  $X_1$  needs higher multiplicities in Algorithm 4.5.9, see Example 4.5.11 for this very instance. To keep our description concise, we instead blow up the toric variety  $Z_1$  with fan  $\Sigma_1$  and ray generators

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \Sigma_1 = (-1,0) \xrightarrow{(0,1)} (1,1) (2,1) (3,1) (1,0) (-1,-1) (1,0) (1,0) (-1,-1) (1,0) (1,0) (-1,-1) (1,0) (1$$

in a point q in the exceptional divisor  $V(Z_1; T_6)$ . The choice  $q := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in Z_1$  is viable by Lemma 5.2.16. Algorithm 4.5.9 then delivers the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

Next, we treat the second configuration, i.e., blow ups of  $X_1$  of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^5)$ . Note that the curve  $V(X_1; T_6)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve. This means that blowing up any point q lying in  $V(X_1; T_6)$  or in the intersection of two invariant divisors  $V(X_1; T_i) \cap V(X_1; T_j)$  leads to a surface with a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action and thus will

be left out, see Lemma 5.4.11. By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the points

$$\begin{array}{rcl} q_1 &:= & [1,1,1,1,1,1,0], & q_2 &:= & [1,1,1,1,0,1,-1,1], \\ & q_3 &:= & [1,1,1,0,1,1,-1,1] &\in X_1 \end{array}$$

all of which exist by Lemma 5.2.16. Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we computed the following Cox rings.

$q_i$	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
$q_1$	$ \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I $ with <i>I</i> generated by $ T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 - T_1^2 T_2 + T_7 T_9^2 T_8 $ $ - T_7 T_9 T_1 T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 $	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$q_2$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I$ with <i>I</i> generated by $T_1 T_2 T_6 T_8 - T_3^2 T_4 - T_9 T_{10},$ $T_1^2 T_2 + T_7 T_8 - T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 T_{10}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$q_3$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_1^2 T_2 + T_6 T_7 + T_3^2 T_4 T_9^5 T_8^3 \\ & -T_3^2 T_4^4 T_9^2 T_2^3 T_5^6 T_7^6 \\ & + 3 T_3^2 T_4^3 T_9^3 T_2^2 T_5^4 T_7^4 T_8 \\ & - 3 T_3^2 T_4^2 T_9^4 T_2 T_5^2 T_7^2 T_8^2 \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

Note that by the blow up sequence the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  is a weak del Pezzo surface. Using Algorithm 2.3.27 in conjunction with Algorithm 2.3.48, we obtain the graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$ . The subgraph of (-2)-curves is

$$\begin{array}{c} T_7 - T_6 - T_5 - T_4 \\ \downarrow \\ T_2 \end{array}$$

In particular,  $X_2$  has ADE singularity type  $D_5$ . By [33, Sec. 5.5], the Cox ring of  $X_2$  is isomorphic to the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_9] / \langle T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 - T_1^2 T_2 + T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \rangle.$$

Also, the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface since its Cox ring is isomorphic to the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface  $Y_2$  where

$$\mathcal{R}(Y_2) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_1^2 T_2 + T_6 T_7 + T_3^2 T_4 T_9^5 T_8^3 \rangle$$

with the same  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -grading as  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$ , see Lemma 5.1.5. The isomorphism is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded isomorphism  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]$  with

$$T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_6 + T_3^2 T_4^4 T_9^2 T_2^3 T_5^6 T_7^5 - 3T_3^2 T_4^3 T_9^3 T_2^2 T_5^4 T_7^3 T_8 \\ +3T_3^2 T_4^2 T_9^4 T_2 T_5^2 T_7 T_8^2, \\ T_i, & i \neq 6 \end{cases}$$

Redefine  $X_2 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 iii)$  as the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$ . Using Algorithm 2.3.27 its graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$  is



As before, gray and black vertices stand for negative curves. If  $X_2$  were a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface, the black vertices correspond to sink and source. Since they have non-trivial intersection, by Lemma 5.4.12,  $X_2$  is not a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

(V) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star ii)$ . We recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence



$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_4} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii)' \stackrel{\iota_1}{\longleftarrow} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii) \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star) \xrightarrow{\pi_1 \circ \pi_2} \mathbb{P}_2$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2 T_4 T_6^2 - T_1 T_5$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_8, z_4, z_5, z_6, z_7 z_8], \quad \pi_3([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_6, z_3, z_4 z_6, z_5], \\ \pi_2([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ . For the first and second configuration, we choose in  $X_1$  the following points  $q_i$  which exist by Algorithm 2.3.8

$$\begin{aligned} q_1 &:= [1, \lambda, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, \lambda - 1, 1], \quad \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \pi_3 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_4(q_1) &= [1, \lambda, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2, \\ q_2 &:= [0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1], \quad \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \pi_3 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_4(q_2) &= [0, 0, 1] \in \mathbb{P}_2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $V(X_1; T_3)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve, by Lemma 5.4.11, the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  will be a toric surface or a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we see that the same is true for the blow up in  $q_2$ .

For the third configuration, we want to blow up a point in the second exceptional divisor, i.e.,  $V(X_1; T_5)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11, we need not consider points whose Cox coordinates have two vanishing entries. By Remark 5.3.5, this leaves us with  $q_3 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1]$ . It exists by Lemma 5.2.16. Algorithm 4.5.9 returns the ring and degree matrix

$$R_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_1 T_3 T_5^2 - T_4 T_9 T_2 T_3 T_5 T_7 + T_4 T_9^2 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle,$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Observe that the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_3$  is in fact a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface; by Lemma 5.1.5, the graded homomorphism  $T_6 \mapsto T_6 - T_4 T_9 T_2 T_3 T_5$  induces an isomorphism from the Cox ring  $R'_2$  of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface with the same degree matrix to  $R_2$  where

$$R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_1 T_3 T_5^2 + T_4 T_9^2 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle.$$

We come to the fourth configuration, i.e., blow ups of  $X_1$  of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11, we need not consider points that lie in the fixed point curve  $V(X_1; T_3)$  or in the intersection of two invariant curves  $V(X_1; T_i) \cap V(X_1; T_j)$ . Thus, by Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider

$q_1$	:=	[-1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1],	$T_4 \qquad T_2$
$q_2$	:=	[-1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1],	$T_3 \longrightarrow T_6$

By Lemma 5.2.16, all points exist. Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we computed the following Cox rings.

$q_i$	$\operatorname{Cox} \operatorname{ring} \mathcal{R}(X)$	degree matrix
$q_1$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I$ with <i>I</i> generated by $T_3T_5T_8 - T_2T_6 - T_9T_{10},$ $T_1T_5 + T_7T_8 - T_2T_6^2T_4T_{10}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$q_2$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{11}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3^2 T_4 T_5^2 T_8 - T_2 T_7 - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ & T_2^2 T_4 T_6^2 T_{11} - T_5 T_9 + T_8 T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_5 + T_7 T_8 - T_2 T_4 T_6^2 T_{11}^2, \\ & T_3^2 T_4 T_5 T_8^2 + T_1 T_2 - T_9 T_{11}, \\ & T_3^2 T_4^2 T_5 T_8 T_2 T_6^2 T_{11} - T_7 T_9 - T_1 \end{split}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 &$

Denote by Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star i)$  and Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star ii)$  the blow ups of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$  and  $q_4$ . By an application of Algorithm 2.3.27, their respective graphs of exceptional curves are



where gray and black vertices stand for negative curves. Black vertices correspond to curves that meet at least three other negative curves. By Lemma 5.4.12, neither Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star i)$  nor Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star ii)$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

(VI) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star iv)$ . As in the previous case, we recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence



$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_4} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star ii) \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star\star) \xrightarrow{\pi_1 \circ \pi_2} \mathbb{P}_2$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\overline{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2 T_4 T_6 - T_1 T_5$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_8, z_4, z_5, z_6, z_7 z_8], \quad \pi_3([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_6, z_4 z_6, z_5] \pi_2([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4], \quad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are

 $V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$ 

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first and second configuration the following points  $q_i \in X_i$  exist by an application of Algorithm 2.3.8 and satisfy

Since  $V(X_1; T_3)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve, by Lemma 5.4.11, the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  will be a toric surface or a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. Also, the blow up in  $q_2$  admits a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action as can be seen by an inspection of the output of Algorithm 4.5.9. For the third configuration, we want to blow up a point in the second exceptional divisor, i.e.,  $V(X_1; T_5)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11 we need not consider points whose Cox coordinates have two vanishing entries. By Remark 5.3.5, this leaves us with  $q_3 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1] \in X_1$  which exists by Lemma 5.2.16. Algorithm 4.5.9 returns the ring and degree matrix

$$R_{2} := \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{9}] / \langle T_{1}T_{3}T_{5} - T_{6}T_{7} + T_{4}T_{9}^{2}T_{8} - T_{4}T_{9}T_{2}T_{3}T_{5}^{2}T_{7} \rangle, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Observe that the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_3$  is in fact a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface: the graded homomorphism  $T_6 \mapsto T_6 - T_4 T_9 T_2 T_3 T_5^2$  induces an isomorphism from the Cox ring  $R'_2$  of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface with the same degree matrix to  $R_2$  where

$$R'_{2} = \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{9}] / \langle T_{1}T_{3}T_{5} - T_{6}T_{7} + T_{4}T_{9}^{2}T_{8} \rangle,$$

see Lemma 5.1.5. We come to the fourth configuration, i.e., we consider blow ups of  $X_1$  of type Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11 we need not consider points that lie in the fixed point curve  $V(X_1; T_3)$  or in the intersection of two invariant curves. Thus, by Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the points

$$\begin{array}{rcl} q_1 & := & [-1,1,1,1,1,0,1,1], \\ q_2 & := & [-1,1,1,0,1,1,1,1]. \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{rcl} T_4 & T_3 \\ T_2 & & \\ T_6 & & \\ T_6 & & \\ \end{array}$$

By Lemma 5.2.16, all points exist. Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we computed the following Cox rings.

 $q_i$  Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  degree matrix

$q_1$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_1T_5 + T_7T_8 - T_2T_4T_6T_{10}, \\ & T_3T_5T_7T_8^2 - T_2^2T_4 - T_9T_{10} \end{split} $	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
$q_2$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]/I \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_1 T_4 + T_6 T_7 + T_3 T_5 T_9^2 T_8 \\ & -T_3 T_5^2 T_9 T_2 T_4 T_7 \end{split} $	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	

The blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface since its Cox ring is isomorphic to the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_9] / \langle T_1T_4 + T_6T_7 + T_3T_5T_9^2T_8 \rangle$$

with the same degree matrix as listed in the table, see Lemma 5.1.5. The isomorphism is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_1 + T_3 T_5^2 T_9 T_2 T_7, & i = 1, \\ T_i, & i \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

Denote by  $X_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star iii)$  the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$ . Using Algorithm 2.3.27 we obtain the graph  $G_{X_2}$  of exceptional curves



Gray and black vertices stand for negative curves where the latter correspond to curves intersecting at least three other negative curves; if  $X_2$  were a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface they must be sink and source. By Lemma 5.4.12, Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star iii)$  cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. (VII) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star i)$ . Recall from Theorem 5.3.1 that  $X_1$  was obtained from the point configuration



By Proposition 5.1.2 and Theorem 5.3.1, we have to blow up the point configurations



For the first configuration, by Proposition 5.2.8, instead of blowing up  $X_1$  we may also blow up a general point in  $Z_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star i)$  which we obtained as

$$Z_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_4} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{P}_2$$

with the blow ups  $\pi_i$  given by

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1z_7, z_2z_7, z_3, \dots, z_6], \quad \pi_3([z]) = [z_1, z_2z_6, z_3, z_4z_6, z_5], \\ \pi_2([z]) = [z_1z_5, z_2, z_3z_5, z_4], \quad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1, z_2z_4, z_3z_4].$$
Clearly, the point  $p_1 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1] \in Z_1$  projects to  $[1, 1, 1] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  under the map  $\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \pi_3 \circ \pi_4$ . Algorithm 4.5.9 then returns the surface  $X_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star \star i)$  with Cox ring and degree matrix

Since  $X_2$  can be obtained as a blow up of the surface Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star i)$  without  $\mathbb{K}^*$ action,  $X_2$  cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface: equivariant contractions preserve  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -actions. Alternatively, this can be seen by an inspection of  $G_{X_2}$  and Lemma 5.4.12:



where, in this case, all vertices are negative curves. If the surface were a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface, each black vertex had to be sink or source, a contradiction to Lemma 5.4.12. For the second and the third configuration we recall from the proofs of Theorem 5.3.1 and Proposition 5.2.8 the blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_4} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star i)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_{3,2,1}} \mathbb{P}_2$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\overline{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^9, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z), h_2(z), h_3(z)),$$
  
$$h_1 := T_3 T_5 - T_2 T_6, \qquad h_2 := T_3 T_4 - T_1 T_6, \qquad h_3 := T_2 T_4 - T_1 T_5$$

where  $h_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups are

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_6, z_7 z_{10}, z_8 z_{10}, z_9 z_{10}], \quad \pi_{3,2,1}([z]) = [z_1 z_5 z_6, z_2 z_4 z_6, z_3 z_4 z_5].$$

For the second configuration, for each  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ , the following point  $q \in X_1$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16 where

$$\pi_{3,2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_4(q) = [1,\lambda,0] \in \mathbb{P}_2, \qquad q := [1,\lambda,0,1,1,1,-\lambda,-1,\lambda-1,1].$$

By an application of Algorithm 4.5.9 with Remark 5.3.6 we obtain the surface  $X_2 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star i)$  as listed in the table. By the same reasoning as before,  $X_2$  cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface since it is a blow up of  $X_1$ . Alternatively, this can be seen by an inspection of  $G_{X_2}$  and Lemma 5.4.12:



For the third configuration, let  $\lambda$ ,  $\mu$  be distinct elements of  $\mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ . The following point  $q \in X_1$  exists and satisfies

 $\pi_{1,2,3} \circ \iota^{-1} \circ \pi_4(q) = [1,\lambda,\mu] \in \mathbb{P}_2, \qquad q := [1,\lambda,\mu,1,1,1,\mu-\lambda,\mu-1,\lambda-1,1].$ 

Using Algorithm 4.5.9, we obtain the surfaces  $X_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star ii)$  depending on  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$ . By the same reasoning as before,  $X_2$  cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. (VIII) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star ii)$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence



where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 and the blow ups, in the situation of Setting 4.2.5, are

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2 T_4 - T_1 T_5, \pi_4([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_8, z_4, z_5, z_6, z_7 z_8], \qquad \pi_{3,2,1}([z]) = [z_1 z_5 z_6, z_2 z_4 z_6, z_3 z_4 z_5]$$

with  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$ . The exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, the point  $q_1 := [1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1] \in X_1$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and is mapped to  $[1, 0, 1] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  under  $\pi_{3,2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_4$ . Using Algorithm 4.5.9 we obtain the surface  $X_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star ii)$  listed in the table. An inspection of its graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$ , shows that Lemma 5.4.12 applies, compare Algorithm 2.3.27. This means that  $X_2$  cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface as there are adjacent black vertices, i.e., sink and source would meet.



For the second configuration, we consider the points  $q_2 := [1, \lambda, 0, 1, 1, 1, \lambda - 1, 1]$  in  $X_1$  where for each  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$  the point exist by Lemma 5.2.16 and is mapped to  $[1, \lambda, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  under  $\pi_{3,2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_4$ . Since  $V(X_1; T_3)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve, by Lemma 5.4.11, the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$  will admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. For the third configuration, we want to blow up a point in the first exceptional divisor  $V(X_1; T_4)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11 we need not consider points whose Cox coordinates have two vanishing entries. By Remark 5.3.5, this leaves us with the point  $[1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, -1, 1] \in X_1$ . It exists by Lemma 5.2.16. Algorithm 4.5.9 delivers the Cox ring of the surface Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star \star iv)$  listed in the table. Arguing as before, by Lemma 5.4.12, its graph of exceptional curves cannot belong to a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface:



(IX) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star\star\star\star iii)$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence



where the embeddings  $\iota_i$  are as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2 T_4 - T_1 T_5, \\ \bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^7 \to \mathbb{K}^8, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_2(z)), \qquad h_2 := (\lambda - 1) T_2 T_4 - \lambda T_6 T_7$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]$  and  $h_2 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$ . The blow ups  $\pi_i$  are

$$\pi_4([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_9, z_4, \dots, z_7, z_8 z_9],$$
  
$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_7, z_4, z_5, z_6 z_7], \qquad \pi_{2,1}([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2 z_4, z_3 z_4 z_5].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second, third and fourth blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_4), V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_7), V(X_1; T_9)$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



The first configuration has already been dealt with in part (VIII) of this proof. For the second configuration, let  $\mu \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1, \lambda\}$ . Then each point

$$q_1 := [1, \mu, 0, 1, 1, \mu - 1, 1, \lambda - \mu, 1] \in X_1,$$

exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and projects to  $[1, \mu, 0] \in \mathbb{P}_2$  under the map  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3 \circ \iota_2^{-1} \circ \pi_4$ . Since  $V(X_1; T_3)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve, by Lemma 5.4.11, the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  will admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action.

For the third configuration, we want to blow up a point in the first exceptional divisor  $V(X_1; T_4)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11 we need not consider points whose Cox coordinates have two vanishing entries. By Remark 5.3.5, this leaves us with the point  $q_3 := [1, 1, 1, 0, 1, -1, 1, \lambda, 1] \in X_1$  which exists by Lemma 5.2.16. Consider the following Cox rings  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  sharing the same degree matrix. The first one is returned by Algorithm 4.5.9 for the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_3$  and the second one is the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface:

$$\begin{split} R_1 &:= \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \Big/ \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_7 T_8 - (\lambda - 1) T_3 T_{10} T_2 T_4 T_6 T_8 + (\lambda - 1) T_3 T_{10}^2 T_9 + \lambda T_5 T_6, \\ \lambda T_1 T_4 - T_7 T_8 - T_3 T_{10} T_2 T_4 T_6 T_8 + T_3 T_{10}^2 T_9 \\ \end{array} \right\rangle, \\ R_2 &:= \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \Big/ \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_7 T_8 + (\lambda - 1) T_3 T_{10}^2 T_9 + \lambda T_5 T_6, \\ \lambda T_1 T_4 - T_7 T_8 + T_3 T_{10}^2 T_9 \\ \end{array} \right\rangle, \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right]. \end{split}$$

Then  $X_2$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface, since  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. From Lemma 5.1.5 we infer that also  $X_1$  admits a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action since we have an isomorphism

between the two rings that is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_5 + T_2 T_3 T_4 T_8 T_{10}, & i = 5\\ T_7 - T_2 T_3 T_4 T_6 T_{10}, & i = 7\\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

(X) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iii)$ . Let  $a \geq 3$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_{2,1}} \mathbb{F}_a$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 and the blow ups, in the situation of Setting 4.2.5, are

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_1 T_5 - T_2 T_6, \pi_3([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_8, z_4, \dots, z_6, z_7 z_8], \qquad \pi_{2,1}([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2 z_6, z_3 z_5 z_6, z_4]$$

with  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$ . The exceptional divisors of the first, second and third blow up are

 $V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$ 

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, we want to blow up a point in the first exceptional divisor, i.e.,  $V(X_1; T_5)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11 we need not consider points whose Cox coordinates have two vanishing entries. By Remark 5.3.5, this leaves us with  $q_1 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, -1, 1, 1] \in X_1$  which exists by Lemma 5.2.16. The  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8], \quad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_3 + (-1)^a T_1 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_6^{a-3} T_7, & i = 3, \\ T_i, & i \neq 3 \end{cases}$$

induces an automorphism of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . Thus, instead of blowing up  $q_1$  we may blow up the point  $[1, 1, 0, 1, 0, -1, 1, 1] \in X_1$ . By Lemma 5.4.11, the blow up will be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

We need not consider the second configuration, since  $V(X_1; T_3)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve; by Lemma 5.4.11 the blow up will result in a surface with non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. For the third configuration, the point  $[0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, -1, 1] \in X_1$  projects to  $[0, 1, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3$  and exists by iteratively applying Lemma 5.4.5 and Lemma 5.2.16. By Lemma 5.4.11, the blow up will admit a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ action.

For the fourth configuration the steps are as in the proof of Theorem 5.3.1 for, e.g., case Bl  $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 ii)$ . Here, we want to blow up  $X_1$  in  $q_4$  where

$$\pi_{2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_4) = [0,1,1,1] \in \mathbb{F}_a, \qquad q_4 := [0,1,1,1,1,1,1,-1,1] \in X_1.$$

Note that  $q_4 \in X_1$  exists by, e.g., Lemma 5.2.16. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_2 T_4 T_7^{a-1} T_8^{a-2} - T_3 T_5$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$ 

whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & a & a - 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0]$  we consider the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (1, 0, -1, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ . Let  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$  be the enlarged matrix. The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_7T_8 - T_1T_5 + T_2T_6) = T_7T_8 - T_1T_5T_{10} + T_2T_6,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star}(T_9 - h_2) = T_9T_{10} - T_2T_4T_7^{a-1}T_8^{a-2} + T_3T_5.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$  by showing that  $I_2$  is prime. The grading is pointed by Remark 4.2.10. Consider the open subset

$$U := \{ x \in \overline{X}_2; \ x_5 x_6 \neq 0 \text{ or } x_2 x_{10} \neq 0 \} \subseteq \overline{X}_2 = V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; I_2).$$

Let  $J := (\partial g_i / \partial T_j)_{i,j}$  be the Jacobian matrix. Inspecting the submatrices of J with indices i = 1, 2 and j = 2, 3 as well as i = 1, 2 and j = 6, 9, respectively, we see that the rank of J(u) is two for all  $u \in U$ . Furthermore,  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  is contained in the union of the 8-dimensional subspaces

$$V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_5, T_2), \quad V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_5, T_{10}), \quad V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_6, T_2), \quad V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_6, T_{10}).$$

We claim that in  $\mathbb{K}^{10}$  each of the following intersections is of dimension six.

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_2) &= V(T_5, T_2, T_7 T_8, T_9 T_{10}), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10}) &= V(T_5, T_{10}, T_7 T_8 + T_2 T_6, T_2 T_4 T_7^{a-1} T_8^{a-2} - T_3 T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_2) &= V(T_6, T_2, T_7 T_8 - T_1 T_5 T_{10}, T_9 T_{10} + T_3 T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10}) &= V(T_6, T_{10}, T_7 T_8, T_3 T_5), \end{aligned}$$

For all but the second one, this could be done computationally since the equations are independent of a. For  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10})$ , we used Lemma 5.3.3 with the matrix

of rank two to see that its dimension is six on the torus  $\mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0)$ . Also, on the smaller tori, the dimension does not exceed six; for instance, for  $\mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0)$  we consider the zero set  $V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_2, T_5, T_{10}, T_7T_8, T_3T_5)$  which is of dimension five. Therefore,  $\dim(\overline{X}_2 \setminus U) \leq 6$  and, since  $\overline{X}_2$  is of dimension at least eight, the codimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  in  $\overline{X}_2$  is at least two. By Lemma 5.4.3, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime.

We now show that the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in the ring  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$ . Removing monomial generators and shifting variable indices, instead of showing that  $I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle$  is prime, we may show that  $I_0$  has the same property where

$$I_{2} + \langle T_{10} \rangle = \langle T_{10}, T_{2}T_{6} + T_{7}T_{8}, T_{2}T_{4}T_{7}^{a-1}T_{8}^{a-2} - T_{3}T_{5} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{10}],$$
  
$$I_{0} := \langle T_{1}T_{5} + T_{6}T_{7}, T_{1}T_{3}T_{6}^{a-1}T_{7}^{a-2} - T_{2}T_{4} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{7}].$$

The extension of  $I_0$  to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_7^{\pm 1}]$  is prime since the matrix with the exponents of the binomial generators as its rows

has a Smith normal form of shape  $[E_2, 0, ..., 0]$  where  $E_2$  is the  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix, compare [37, Thm. 2.1]. Now, by Remark 5.4.14,  $I_0$  is prime if  $I_0 = I_0 : (T_1 \cdots T_7)^{\infty}$ .

We will prove this by showing that

$$\mathcal{G} := \{f_1, f_2, f_3\} := \begin{cases} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} T_1 T_5 + T_6 T_7, \\ T_1 T_3 T_6^{a-1} T_7^{a-2} - T_2 T_4, \\ T_3 T_6^a T_7^{a-1} + T_2 T_4 T_5 \end{array} \right\}, & T_1 T_5 > T_6 T_7, \\ T_1 T_5 + T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^{a-1} T_3 T_6 T_5^{a-2} + (-1)^{a-1} T_2 T_4, \\ T_1^a T_3 T_5^{a-1} - (-1)^{a-1} T_2 T_4 T_7 \end{cases} \right\}, & T_1 T_5 < T_6 T_7$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to the degree reverse lexicographical ordering for any ordering  $T_1 > \ldots > T_{i-1} > T_{i+1} > \ldots > T_7 > T_i$  with  $1 \le i \le 7$ . First, observe that in the case  $T_1T_5 > T_6T_7$  we have  $I_0 = \langle \mathcal{G} \rangle$  since  $f_3 = T_3T_6^{a-1}T_7^{a-2}f_1 - T_5f_2$ . In the second case, let  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  be the generators for  $I_0$ . Using the relation  $T_1T_5 = -T_6T_7$ , we have

$$f_1 = g_1,$$
  

$$f_2 = T_1^{a-2}T_3T_5^{a-3}T_6g_1 + (-1)^a g_2,$$
  

$$f_3 = T_1^{a-1}T_3T_5^{a-2}g_1 + (-1)^{a+1}T_7g_2,$$

i.e.,  $\langle \mathcal{G} \rangle \subseteq I_0$ . The first and second equation also show  $I_0 \subseteq \langle \mathcal{G} \rangle$ . We compute the *S*-polynomials. They are

$$\begin{split} S(f_1, f_2) &= \begin{cases} T_3 T_6^a T_7^{a-1} + T_2 T_4 T_5, & T_1 T_5 > T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^a T_3 T_5^{a-1} - (-1)^{a-1} T_2 T_4 T_7, & T_1 T_5 < T_6 T_7, \end{cases} \\ S(f_1, f_3) &= \begin{cases} T_3 T_6^{a+1} T_7^a - T_1 T_2 T_4 T_5^2, & T_1 T_5 > T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^{a+1} T_3 T_5^a + (-1)^{a-1} T_2 T_4 T_6 T_7^2, & T_1 T_5 < T_6 T_7, \end{cases} \\ S(f_2, f_3) &= \begin{cases} -T_1 T_2 T_4 T_5 - T_2 T_4 T_6 T_7, & T_1 T_5 > T_6 T_7, \\ (-1)^{a-1} T_2 T_4 T_6 T_7 + (-1)^{a-1} T_1 T_2 T_4 T_5, & T_1 T_5 > T_6 T_7, \end{cases} \end{split}$$

Note that this holds for all  $a \ge 3$ . Applied to  $S(f_i, f_j)$  and  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , the division algorithm, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 3], returns the combinations

$$S(f_1, f_2) = \begin{cases} f_3, & T_1T_5 > T_6T_7, \\ f_3, & T_1T_5 < T_6T_7, \end{cases}$$
  

$$S(f_1, f_3) = \begin{cases} -T_2T_4T_5f_1 + T_6T_7f_3, & T_1T_5 > T_6T_7 \\ T_2T_4T_7f_1 + T_1T_5f_3, & T_1T_5 < T_6T_7 \\ S(f_2, f_3) = \begin{cases} -T_2T_4f_1, & T_1T_5 > T_6T_7, \\ (-1)^{a-1}T_2T_4f_1, & T_1T_5 < T_6T_7. \end{cases}$$

By the Buchberger criterion, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 6],  $\mathcal{G}$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to the chosen ordering. From [90, Lem. 12.1], we infer that

$$\left\{\frac{f}{T_i^{k_i(f)}}; \ f \in \mathcal{G}\right\} = \mathcal{G}, \qquad k_i(f) := \max\left(n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}; \ T_i^n \mid f\right)$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ . In particular,  $I_0 = I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each *i*. As observed in [90, p. 114], the claim follows from

$$I_0: (T_1 \cdots T_7)^{\infty} = ((\cdots (I_0: T_1^{\infty}) \cdots): T_7^{\infty}) = I_0.$$

Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for all  $i \neq j$ . We have  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for each i < 10 because each of the following intersections

is six-dimensional:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_1, -T_2T_6 - T_7T_8, T_2T_4T_7^{a-1}T_8^{a-2} - T_3T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_2, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_2, T_7T_8, T_3T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_3, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_3, -T_2T_6 - T_7T_8, T_2T_4T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_4, T_3T_5, -T_2T_6 - T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_3T_5, T_2T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_8, T_3T_5, T_2T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_9, -T_2T_6 - T_7T_8, T_2T_4T_7^{a-1}T_8^{a-2} - T_3T_5), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10})$  and  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10})$  have already been treated above. To compute the dimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_i, T_{10})$  for  $i \in \{1, 9\}$  we use Lemma 5.3.3 with the matrix

of rank two. This shows that on  $\mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (0, 1, \dots, 1, 0)$  or  $\mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, \dots, 1, 0, 0)$ , respectively, the dimension is six. One directly checks that also on the smaller tori the dimension is at most six.

By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with its degree matrix as listed in the table. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The factor ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'$  where

$$I' := \langle T_1, T_9, h_2, T_7 T_8 - T_1 T_5 + T_2 T_6 \rangle = \langle T_1, T_9, h_2, T_2 T_6 + T_7 T_8 \rangle$$

is isomorphic to the integral domain  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$ . Thus, I' is prime. Given Cox coordinates  $z := (0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  for  $\iota(q_1) \in X'_1$  we have  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9 I')$ . By the previous dimension computations

 $\dim (V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')) = -1 + \dim (\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10})) = 5.$ 

By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. The Cox ring and degree matrix of the resulting surface  $X_2 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star vi)$  are listed in the table. Note that  $X_2$  is not a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface by Lemma 5.4.12 if we can show that its graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$  is



We prove only the part of the graph needed for the argument, i.e., the subgraph induced by the vertices  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 10\}$ . Note that this could be done using the blow up sequence and Remark 5.3.7. Instead, we give a direct argument. Write  $w_i := \deg(T_i)$  for the degrees of the generators of  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  and  $Q := Q_2 = [w_1, \ldots, w_{10}]$  for its degree matrix. First, note that  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_3$  and  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_9$  are non-extremal rays of  $Q(\mathbb{Q}_{>0}^{10})$ :

$$w_3 = (a-2)w_1 + w_2 + w_4 + (a-3)w_5 + w_7 + (a-2)w_{10},$$
  

$$w_9 = w_1 + (a-2)w_2 + w_4 + w_5 + (a-1)w_6 + w_7.$$

All other rays  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_i$  are extremal since  $w_i$  can be separated from the other  $w_j$  by the following linear forms  $u_i \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}^6, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^6$ :

i	$u_i \in \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}^6, \mathbb{Z})$	$u_i(w_1),\ldots,u_i(w_{10})$
1	(-2, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)	-2, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1
2	(0, -1, 0, 1, 0, 1)	0, -1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0
4	(1, 1, 0, -a, 0, 0)	1, 1, 0, -a, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0
5	(1, 0, 1, 0, -1, 0)	1, 0, 1, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
6	(0, 1, 1, 0, 0, -1)	0, 1, 1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 1, 0
7	(0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0)	0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, -1, 1, 0, 0
8	(0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)	0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, -1, 1, 0
10	(1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)	1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, -1

We now claim that w := (4, 6a-3, 6, 6, 6, 6a-3) is an element of the relative interior  $Mov(Q)^{\circ}$ . It suffices to show that for each  $1 \le i \le 10$  with  $\mathbb{Q}_{\ge 0} \cdot w_i$  a ray of  $Q(\mathbb{Q}_{\ge 0}^{10})$  we can find an expression

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot \sum_{\substack{j \neq i, \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_j \\ \text{extremal}}} \alpha_j w_j, \qquad \alpha_j \in \mathbb{K}^*,$$

because then, by [87, Thm. 6.5], w is an element of

$$\bigcap_{\substack{\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_i \\ \text{extremal}}} \operatorname{cone}(w_j; \ j \neq i)^{\circ} = \left(\bigcap_{\substack{\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w_i \\ \text{extremal}}} \operatorname{cone}(w_j; \ j \neq i)\right)^{\circ} = \operatorname{Mov}(Q)^{\circ}.$$

Here, for  $i \in \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 8, 10\}$ , we found the following combinations.

$$\begin{split} &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (0, 2, 16, 4, 4, 16, 4a + 1, 4a + 3 + 12, 16, 4), \\ &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (6a + 1, 0, 8, 6, 6a - 3, 12, 2, 14, 22, 6a + 11)), \\ &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (2, 2, 34, 0, 8, 44, 3, 45, 50, 24)), \\ &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (8, 12a - 3, 4, 24, 0, 12a - 9, 12a - 2, 12a - 8, 8, 4)), \\ &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (12a + 6, 6, 6, 24, 12a, 0, 12a - 9, 12a - 15, 6, 12a)), \\ &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (6a + 1, 1, 4, 6, 6a - 3, 7, 0, 6, 14, 6a + 7)), \\ &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (12a + 6, 12a - 9, 6, 24, 12a, 12a - 15, 6, 0, 6, 12a)), \\ &\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w \ = \ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (8, 12a - 3, 12, 28, 4, 12a - 7, 16a - 1, 16a - 5, 8, 0)). \end{split}$$

Now, we show that the edges

$$(T_4, T_1), (T_4, T_2), (T_4, T_7), (T_1, T_5), (T_1, T_{10})$$

exist in  $G_{X_2}$ . Let  $\gamma_{i,j} := \operatorname{cone}(e_k; k \notin \{i, j\}) \preceq \gamma$  with  $\gamma := \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^{10}$ . By Algorithm 2.3.27, this means we have to show that the faces

$$\gamma_{1,4}, \gamma_{2,4}, \gamma_{7,4}, \gamma_{1,5}, \gamma_{1,10}, \qquad \gamma_{i,j} := \operatorname{cone}(e_k; k \notin \{i, j\}) \preceq \gamma_{i,j}$$

are  $I_2$ -faces in the sense of Chapter 3 and the respective projection  $Q(\gamma_{i,j})$  contains w in its relative interior. For the former, define as in Section 1 of Chapter 3 the torus and ideal

$$\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_{i,j}}^{10} := \left\{ t_{\gamma_{i,j}}; \, t \in \mathbb{T}^{10} \right\}, \qquad I_2^{\gamma_{i,j}} := \left\{ f_{\gamma_{i,j}}; \, f \in I_2 \right\},$$

where the k-th entry of  $z_{\gamma_{i,j}}$  equals  $z_k$  if  $e_k \in \gamma_{i,j}$  and zero otherwise. Then  $\gamma_{i,j}$  is an  $I_2$ -face if and only if  $V(\mathbb{T}_{\gamma_{i,j}}^{10}; I_2^{\gamma_{i,j}}) \neq \emptyset$ . We directly list elements of the respective vanishing sets.

i, j	$V(\mathbb{T}^{10}_{\gamma_{i,j}}; I_2^{\gamma_{i,j}})$	contained element
1, 4	$V(-T_2T_6 - T_7T_8, -T_3T_5 - T_9T_{10})$	(0, -1, -1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)
2,4	$V(T_1T_5T_{10} - T_7T_8, -T_3T_5 - T_9T_{10})$	(1, 0, -1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)

7, 4	$V(T_1T_5T_{10} - T_2T_6, -T_3T_5 - T_9T_{10})$	(1, 1, -1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1)
1, 5	$V(-T_2T_6 - T_7T_8, T_2T_4T_7^{a-1}T_8^{a-2} - T_9T_{10})$	(0, 1, 1, 1, 0, -1, 1, 1, 1, 1)
1,10	$ \begin{array}{c} V(-T_2T_6 - T_7T_8, \\ T_2T_4T_7^{a-1}T_8^{a-2} - T_3T_5) \end{array} $	(0, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 1, 1, 0)

We now show that for each  $\gamma_{i,j}$  the relative interior  $Q(\gamma_{i,j})^{\circ}$  contains the vector w = (4, 6a - 3, 6, 6, 6, 6a - 3). For this, we present expressions

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w = \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot \sum_{e_k \in \gamma_{i,j}} \alpha_k w_k, \qquad \alpha_k \in \mathbb{K}^*.$$

For the respective  $\gamma_{i,j}$  they are given by

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w &= \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (0, 1, 16, 0, 4, 19, 2, 20, 20, 8)), \\ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w &= \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (1, 0, 15, 0, 4, 18, 2, 20, 21, 10)), \\ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w &= \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (1, 2, 15, 0, 4, 20, 0, 18, 21, 10)), \\ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w &= \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (0, 1, 12, 4, 0, 15, 4a + 2, 4a + 16, 20, 8)), \\ \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot w &= \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot (Q \cdot (0, 4a + 1, 16, 8, 4, 4a + 11, 4a + 2, 4a + 12, 12, 0)). \end{split}$$

(XI) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star iv)$ . Let  $a \geq 3$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_{2,1}} \mathbb{F}_a$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 : \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} - T_3 T_5$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are given by

$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1 z_8, z_2, z_3, z_4, \dots, z_6, z_7 z_8], \qquad \pi_{2,1}([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2 z_6, z_3 z_5 z_6, z_4].$$
  
The exceptional divisors of the first, second and third blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, we want to blow up a point in the first exceptional divisor, i.e.,  $V(X_1; T_5)$ . By Lemma 5.4.11 and Remark 5.3.5 it suffices to consider the point  $q := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1] \in X_1$ . It exists by Lemma 5.2.16. However, using Lemma 5.1.5, the existence of the automorphism of  $\hat{X}_1$  induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_3 - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6^{a-2} T_8, & i = 3, \\ T_i, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

shows that the blow up of  $X_1$  in q is isomorphic to the blow up of  $X_1$  in the point [1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1] which will result in a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface by Lemma 5.4.11.

The second configuration has already been dealt with in part (X) of this proof. We now treat the third configuration which leads to the surface Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star vii)$ . Here, the point  $q_3 := [1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, -1, 1] \in X_1$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and projects to  $[1, 1, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3$ . Blowing up  $X_1$  in  $q_3$  is done by the same steps as before. Choose  $h_2 := T_1T_5T_8 - T_2T_6 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota_2(q_3) = [1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0]$  we perform the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the vector  $v := (-1, -1, 0, a+1) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ . Let  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$  be the enlarged matrix. The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star} (p_1)_{\star} (T_7 T_8 - T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} + T_3 T_5) = T_7 T_8 - T_2^a T_4 T_6^{a-1} T_{10} + T_3 T_5,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star} (p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_5 T_8 + T_2 T_6.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$  by showing that  $I_2$  is prime. The grading is pointed by Remark 4.2.10. Consider the open subset

$$U := \{ x \in \overline{X}_2; \ x_1 x_5 \neq 0 \text{ or } x_3 x_{10} \neq 0 \} \subseteq \overline{X}_2 = V \left( \mathbb{K}^{10}; I_2 \right).$$

Inspecting the indices i = 1, 2 and j = 3, 8 as well as i = 1, 2 and j = 5, 9 we see that the rank of the Jacobian matrix  $(\partial g_i/\partial T_j)_{i,j}(u)$  is two for all  $u \in U$ . Furthermore,  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  is contained in the union of the 8-dimensional subspaces

$$V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_1, T_3), V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_1, T_{10}), V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_5, T_3), V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_5, T_{10}).$$

Note that each of the following intersections is of dimension six

$$\begin{split} X_2 \cap V(T_1, T_3) &= V(T_1, T_3, T_2T_6 + T_9T_{10}, T_2^a T_6^{a-1} T_{10} T_4 - T_7 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10}) &= V(T_1, T_{10}, T_2 T_6, T_3 T_5 + T_7 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_3) &= V(T_5, T_3, T_2 T_6 + T_9 T_{10}, T_2^a T_6^{a-1} T_{10} T_4 - T_7 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10}) &= V(T_5, T_{10}, T_2 T_6, T_7 T_8), \end{split}$$

where for the first and third variety we write the binomials into a matrix as in Lemma 5.3.3 and obtain the matrix

of rank two. By Lemma 5.3.3, the dimensions of  $\overline{X}_2 \cap \mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (0, 1, 0, 1, \ldots, 1)$  and of  $\overline{X}_2 \cap \mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, \ldots, 1)$  are six respectively. Also, on the smaller tori, we are in dimension at most six. Therefore, dim $(\overline{X}_2 \setminus U) \leq 6$  and since  $\overline{X}_2$  is of dimension at least eight  $\operatorname{codim}_{\overline{X}_2}(\overline{X}_2 \setminus U) \geq 2$ . By Lemma 5.4.3, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime. We now show that the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$ . This is the case since the ideal

$$I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle = \langle T_{10}, T_1 T_5 T_8 - T_2 T_6, T_3 T_5 + T_7 T_8 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]$$

is prime by a computation, see Algorithm 2.2.10. Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since deg $(T_i) \neq deg(T_j)$  for all i, j. Also,  $T_i \nmid T_{10}$  for all i < 10 because the intersections

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{2}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{2}, T_{3}T_{5} + T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}T_{5}T_{8}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{3}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{3}, T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}T_{5}T_{8} + T_{2}T_{6}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{4}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{4}, T_{3}T_{5} + T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}T_{5}T_{8} + T_{2}T_{6}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{3}T_{5} + T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}T_{5}T_{8}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{7}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{7}, T_{3}T_{5}, -T_{1}T_{5}T_{8} + T_{2}T_{6}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{8}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{8}, T_{3}T_{5}, T_{2}T_{6}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{9}, T_{3}T_{5} + T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}T_{5}T_{8} + T_{2}T_{6}),$$

are all of dimension six as can be seen by computations. By Theorem 4.2.6, the Cox ring and degree matrix of the surface  $X_2 = \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star vii)$  are

$$\mathcal{R}(X_2) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \left/ \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_1 T_5 T_8 - T_2 T_6 - T_9 T_{10}, \\ T_2^a T_6^{a-1} T_{10} T_4 - T_3 T_5 - T_7 T_8 \end{array} \right\rangle, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & a+1 & -a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & a & -a+1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We now show that we have performed a blow up. Since we have an isomorphism from

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_9]/I', \qquad I' := \langle T_4, T_9, h_2, T_7T_8 + T_3T_5 \rangle$$

to the integral domain  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$  the ideal I' is prime. Consider Cox coordinates  $z := (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  for  $\iota(q_3) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$ and dim $(V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')) = 5$  by a computation. Using Lemma 5.2.15, we see that the performed modification was the desired blow up. To show that  $X_2$  is not a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface we claim that the graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$  is as follows. The assertion then follows from Lemma 5.4.12.



It suffices to prove the existence of the subgraph induced by the vertices  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10\}$ . By Remark 5.3.7 and the fact that  $V(T_{10})$  is the exceptional divisor of the last blow up, we know that the curves corresponding to the vertices are negative. The existence of the edges, i.e., the fact that the curves meet, is directly seen from the blow up sequence of  $X_2$  as explained above.

We come to the fourth and fifth configurations. Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ . For the following points  $q_4$  and  $q_5 \in X_1$  we have

$$\pi_{2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, \lambda] \in \mathbb{F}_a, \qquad q_4 := [0, 1, 1, \lambda, 1, 1, \lambda - 1, 1],$$
  
$$\pi_{2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_5) = [0, 1, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a, \qquad q_5 := [0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, -1, 1].$$

The point  $q_4$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16 whereas for  $q_5$  we iteratively use Lemma 5.4.5 and Lemma 5.2.16. The blow ups of  $X_1$  in  $q_4$  and of  $X_1$  in  $q_5$  will admit again a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action by Lemma 5.4.11; for  $q_4$  this is due to the fact that  $V(X_1; T_1)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve.

For the sixth configuration, let  $\kappa \in \mathbb{K}^*$ . In  $X_1$ , the point  $q_6 := [1, 0, 1, \kappa, 1, 1, -1, 1]$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and projects to  $[0, 1, 1, \kappa] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under  $\pi_{2,1} \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3$ . We will perfom the blow up  $X_1$  in  $q_6$  by steps similar to before but we will only show finite generation of the Cox ring for a > 15. This is done by carrying out Algorithm 4.5.15 in a formal way. Consider the embedding

$$\bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^{10}, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_2(z), h_3(z)),$$

$$h_2 := T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6 T_7, \qquad h_3 := T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - \kappa T_3 T_6$$

with  $h_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We obtain a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the

fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota_2(q_6) = [1, 0, 1, \kappa, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0, 0]$  we consider the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the vector  $v := (2a - 3, 2a - 1, 0, 0, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^5$ . Write  $P_2$  for the enlarged matrix  $[P'_1, v]$ . The extension  $I'_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}, T_{11}^{\pm 1}]$  of the vanishing ideal of  $\overline{X}_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{11}$  is generated by

$$g_{1} := p_{2}^{\star}(p_{1})_{\star}(T_{7}T_{8} - h_{1}) = T_{7}T_{8} - T_{2}^{a}T_{4}T_{6}^{a-1}T_{11}^{a} + T_{3}T_{5},$$
  

$$g_{2} := p_{2}^{\star}(p_{1})_{\star}(T_{9} - h_{2}) = T_{9}T_{11} - T_{1}^{a}T_{4}T_{5}^{a}T_{8}^{a-1} - \kappa T_{6}T_{7},$$
  

$$g_{3} := p_{2}^{\star}(p_{1})_{\star}(T_{10} - h_{3}) = T_{10}T_{11} - T_{1}^{a}T_{4}T_{5}^{a-1}T_{8}^{a} + \kappa T_{3}T_{6}.$$

The next step is to compute the saturated ideal  $I'_2: T^{\infty}_{11} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{11}]$ . We claim that it is given by

$$I'_{2} : (T_{1} \cdots T_{11})^{\infty} = \langle g_{1}, g_{2}, g_{3}, \\ -\kappa T_{2}^{a} T_{4} T_{6}^{a} T_{11}^{a-1} + T_{8} T_{9} - T_{5} T_{10}, \\ T_{1}^{a} T_{2}^{a} T_{4}^{2} T_{5}^{a-1} T_{6}^{a-1} T_{8}^{a-1} T_{11}^{a-1} - T_{3} T_{9} - T_{7} T_{10} \rangle \\ =: I_{2}$$

For  $3 \leq a \leq 15$  we verified algorithmically that this equality holds. Moreover, we checked that the ideal

$$I_{2} + \langle T_{11} \rangle = \langle T_{11}, -T_{1}^{a}T_{4}T_{5}^{a}T_{8}^{a-1} - \kappa T_{6}T_{7}, -T_{1}^{a}T_{4}T_{5}^{a-1}T_{8}^{a} + \kappa T_{3}T_{6}, T_{7}T_{8} + T_{3}T_{5}, T_{8}T_{9} - T_{5}T_{10}, T_{3}T_{9} + T_{7}T_{10} \rangle$$

in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  is saturated with respect to  $T_1 \cdots T_{10}$  for  $a \leq 15$ . Since the exponent matrix as in Lemma 5.3.3

0	0	-1	0	-1	0	1	1	0	0	0
a	0	0	1	a	-1	-1	a - 1	0	0	0
a	0	-1	1	a - 1	-1	0	a	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	1	1	$^{-1}$	0
LO	0	1	0	0	0	$^{-1}$	0	1	-1	0

has a Smith normal form of shape  $[E_5, 0]$  with the 5×5 unit matrix  $E_5$  Remark 5.4.14 tells us that  $T_{11}$  is a prime element for  $3 \leq a \leq 15$ . We will later compute dim $(V(T_i, T_j) \cap \overline{X}_2)$  for all  $i \neq j$ . This will show that no two variables divide one another and are pairwise non-associated. Thus, the Cox ring of the performed modification is  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{11}]/I_2$  for  $3 \leq a \leq 15$  with its degree matrix as listed in the table. We now show that we did perform the desired blow up. The factor ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I'$  where

$$I' := \langle T_2, T_9, T_{10}, h_2, h_3, T_7 T_8 - h_1 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_2, T_9, T_{10}, T_7 T_8 + T_3 T_5, -T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} - \kappa T_6 T_7, -T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6 \rangle$ 

is isomorphic to the integral domain  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{11}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{11} \rangle)$ . Thus, I' is prime. Given Cox coordinates

$$z := (1, 0, 1, \kappa, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^{11}$$
 for  $\iota_2(q_6) \in X'_1$ 

we have  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; I')$ . By a computation, dim  $V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; I') = 5$  and an application of Lemma 5.2.15 shows that the performed modification was the claimed blow up. We now show that  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is finitely generated for any  $a \geq 3$  using Algorithm 4.5.15 in a formal way. To this end, we first have to show that  $T_{11}$  defines a prime element

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in the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{10}^{\pm 1}, T_{11}]/I_2$ . Consider the ideal

$$J := \langle -T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} - \kappa T_6 T_7, -T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6, T_7 T_8 + T_3 T_5, T_8 T_9 - T_5 T_{10}, T_3 T_9 + T_7 T_{10} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]$$

obtained from  $I_2 + \langle T_{11} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{11}]$  by removing the monomial generator  $T_{11}$ . Using the fifth and third generator, in the Laurent polynomial ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{10}^{\pm 1}]$ , we substitute

$$T_{10} = -\frac{T_3 T_9}{T_7}, \qquad T_7 = -\frac{T_3 T_5}{T_8}$$

into the other generators of J and obtain in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{10}^{\pm 1}]$  the ideal

$$J' := \left\langle T_5 \left( -T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6 \right), -T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6, \right. \\ \left. T_{10} + \frac{T_3 T_9}{T_7}, T_7 + \frac{T_3 T_5}{T_8} \right\rangle \\ = \left\langle -T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6, T_{10} + \frac{T_3 T_9}{T_7}, T_7 + \frac{T_3 T_5}{T_8} \right\rangle.$$

Then  $J' \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{10}^{\pm 1}]$  is a prime ideal if  $f := -T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a + \kappa T_3 T_6$  is a prime element in  $\mathbb{K}[T_i^{\pm 1}; i \notin \{7, 10\}]$  since

$$\mathbb{K}\left[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_{10}^{\pm 1}\right] / J' \cong \mathbb{K}\left[T_i^{\pm 1}; i \notin \{7, 10\}\right] / \langle f \rangle$$

By Lemma 4.3.5,  $f \in \mathbb{K}[T_i^{\pm 1}; i \notin \{7, 10\}]$ , is a prime element because  $\langle f \rangle$  is saturated with respect to the product over all variables and defines a prime ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[T_i; i \notin \{7, 10\}]$  by Lemma 5.2.17. In turn, this shows that  $T_{11}$  defines a prime element in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_{10}^{\pm 1}, T_{11}]/I_2$ . The next step in Algorithm 4.5.15 is to show that

$$\dim\left(\overline{X}_2 \cap V\left(\mathbb{K}^{11}; T_i, T_j\right)\right) \leq \dim\left(\overline{X}_2\right) - 2 \quad \text{for all} \quad i \neq j.$$

The dimension of  $V(\mathbb{T}^{11}; I'_2) = V(\mathbb{T}^{11}; I_2)$  is at least eight as it is defined by three equations. Therefore,  $V(\mathbb{K}^{11}; I_2)$  is of at least eight-dimensional and it suffices to show that the dimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(\mathbb{K}^{11}; T_i, T_j)$  is at most six for all i < j. For i = 1 and j = 2, the variety

$$X_2 \cap V(T_1, T_2) = V(T_1, T_2, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8, -\kappa T_6T_7 + T_9T_{11}, -\kappa T_3T_6 - T_{11}T_{10}, T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, T_3T_9 + T_7T_{10})$$

in  $\mathbb{K}^{11}$  is of dimension six by a computer check. For i = 1 and j = 3, we decompose the vanishing set

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_3) &= V(T_1, T_3, T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_7 T_8, \kappa T_6 T_7 - T_9 T_{11}, \\ T_{11} T_{10}, T_7 T_{10}, -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} + T_8 T_9 - T_5 T_{10}) \\ &= V(T_1, T_3, T_7, T_{11}, T_8 T_9 - T_5 T_{10}) \cup \\ V(T_1, T_3, T_{10}, T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_7 T_8, \\ \kappa T_6 T_7 - T_9 T_{11}, -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} + T_8 T_9) \end{aligned}$$

in  $\mathbb{K}^{11}$  into two components. The first one clearly is of dimension six. For the second component, we consider the matrix with the exponent vectors of the three occurring binomials as its rows

which is of rank two. By Lemma 5.3.3, the component is of dimension six on  $\mathbb{T}^{11} \cdot (0, 1, 0, 1, \dots, 1, 0, 1)$ . Note that also on the smaller tori the dimension is at most six; e.g., for  $\mathbb{T}^{11} \cdot (0, 0, 0, 1, \dots, 1, 0, 1)$  we receive the variety

$$V(T_1, T_2, T_3, T_{10}, T_7T_8, \kappa T_6T_7 - T_9T_{11}, T_8T_9) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{11}$$

of dimension five. The remaining dimension arguments are similar. We restrict ourselves to listing the vanishing sets and the exponent matrices of Lemma 5.3.3 for components with unclear dimension.

i,j	$\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_i, T_j)$ d	limension argument (some components)
1,4	$V(T_1, T_4, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8, \\ \kappa T_6T_7 - T_9T_{11}, \\ -\kappa T_3T_6 - T_{11}T_{10},$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, -T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10})$ Method: computation.
1,5	$ \begin{array}{c} V(T_1, \ T_5, \ \kappa T_6 T_7 - T_9 T_{11}, \\ T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_7 T_8, \\ -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} + T_8 T_9, \\ -T_3 T_9 - T_7 T_{10} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & a -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] $
1,6	$V(T_1, T_6, T_9T_{11}, T_{11}T_{10}, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8,$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, -T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10})$ Method: computation.
1,7	$V(T_1, T_7, T_9, \\ -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_3 T_5, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 & a - 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 & a \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} - T_5 T_{10} \\ \cup V(T_1, T_7, T_3, T_{11}, \\ T_8 T_9 - T_5 T_{10} ) \\ \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & a - 1 \end{array} \right] $
1,8	$ \begin{array}{c} V(T_1,  T_8,  \kappa T_6 T_7 - T_9 T_{11}, \\ T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_3 T_5, \\ -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} - T_5 T_{10}, \\ \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$ \begin{array}{cccc} -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ -T_3 T_9 - T_7 T_{10} \end{array} \\ \\ \begin{array}{ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
1,9	$V(T_1, T_9, T_7, -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}, T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_3 T_5, -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} - T_5 T_{10}) \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 & a - 1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 & a \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 & a \end{bmatrix}$	$ \cup V(T_1, T_9, T_6, T_{10}, \\ -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8) $
1,10	$V(T_1, T_{10}, T_3, \kappa T_6 T_7 - T_9 T_{11}, T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_7 T_8, -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} + T_8 T_9) \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & a-1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & a \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$	$ \cup V(T_1, T_{10}, T_6, T_9, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8) $

1,11	$V(T_1, T_{11}, T_6T_7, T_3T_6, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8, T_7T$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10},$ $T_3T_9 + T_7T_{10})$ <i>Method:</i> computation.
2,3	$V(T_2, T_3, T_7, T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} - T_9 T_{11}, T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - T_{11} T_{10})$ $\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a - 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \cup V(T_2, T_3, T_8, T_{10}, T_9 T_{11} - \kappa T_6 T_7) $ $ a - 1  -1  0  -1 \\ a  0  -1  -1 \\ 1  1  -1  0 \end{bmatrix} $
2, 4	$V(T_2, T_4, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8, \\ \kappa T_6T_7 - T_9T_{11}, \\ -\kappa T_3T_6 - T_{11}T_{10}, \\ T_1 = 0$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, -T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10})$ Method: computation.
2, 5	$V(T_2, T_5, T_7 T_8, K_7 G_7 - T_9 T_{11}, K_7 G_7 - T_9 T_{11}, K_7 G_7 - T_{11} T_{10}, K_7 - T_{11} T_{10}, K_7 - T_{11} T_{10}, K_7 - T_{11} T_{10}, K_7 - T_{11} T_{10} - T_{11} T_{10}, K_7 - T_{11} T_{10} - T_{11} T_{1$	$T_8T_9, -T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10})$ Method: computation.
2,6	$V(T_2, T_6, T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, T_1^aT_4T_5^aT_8^{a-1} - T_9T_{11}, T_1^aT_4T_5^{a-1}T_8^a - T_{11}T_{10}, T_1^aT_4T_5^{a-1}T_8^a - T_{11}T_8^a - T_{1$	$ \begin{bmatrix} -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8, \\ -T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10} \end{bmatrix} $
2,7	$V(T_2, T_7, T_3, T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, T_1^aT_4T_5^aT_8^{a-1} - T_9T_{11}, T_1^aT_4T_5^{a-1}T_8^a - T_{11}T_{10})$ $\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a - 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \cup V(T_2, T_7, T_5, T_9, \\ -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}) \\ a - 1 - 1 0 - 1 \\ a 0 - 1 - 1 \\ 1 1 - 1 0 \end{bmatrix} $
2,8	$V(T_2, T_8, T_3T_5, \\ \kappa T_6T_7 - T_9T_{11}, \\ -\kappa T_3T_6 - T_{11}T_{10}, \end{cases}$	$T_5T_{10}, -T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10})$ Method: computation.
2,9	$ \begin{array}{c} V(T_2, T_9, T_{10}, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8, \\ T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - \kappa T_3 T_6) \\ \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & -1 \\ a & 0 & -1 & 1 & a - 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} $	$ \bigcup_{\substack{-\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11}T_{10} \\ -1 & a - 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} $
2,10	$V(T_2, T_{10}, T_9, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8, T_1^aT_4T_5^aT_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6T_7, T_1^aT_4T_5^{a-1}T_8^a - \kappa T_3T_6) $ $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & -1 \\ a & 0 & -1 & 1 & a - 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \cup V(T_2, T_{10}, T_8, T_3, -\kappa T_6 T_7 - T_9 T_{11}, T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a) $

2, 11	$V(T_2, T_{11}, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8, T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6 T_7, T_8 T_9 - T_5 T_{10}, $	$T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - \kappa T_3 T_6, -T_3 T_9 - T_7 T_{10})$
	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & a - 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
3, 4	$V(T_3, T_4, T_7T_8, T_7T_{10}, T_{11}T_{10}, \kappa T_6T_7 - T_9T_{11},$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}$ ) Method: computation.
3,5	$ \begin{array}{c} V(T_3,T_5,T_{10},\\ \kappa T_6T_7-T_9T_{11},\\ T_2^aT_4T_{11}^aT_6^{a-1}-T_7T_8,\\ \left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} + T_8 T_9) \\ \cup V(T_3, T_5, T_7, \\ T_{11}, T_8 T_9) \\ \hline \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & a -1 \end{array} \right] $
3,6	$V(T_3, T_6, T_7, T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, T_1^aT_4T_5^aT_8^{a-1} - T_9T_{11}, T_1^aT_4T_5^{a-1}T_8^a - T_{11}T_{10})$ $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \cup V(T_3, T_6, T_8, T_{10}, T_9T_{11}) $ $ \begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & a - 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ \end{smallmatrix} $
3,7	$V(T_3, T_7, T_2T_4T_{11}T_6, T_1^aT_4T_5^aT_8^{a-1} - T_9T_{11}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ T_8 T_9 - T_5 T_{10} \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 & a-1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] $
3,8	$V(T_3, T_8, T_{10}, T_2T_4T_{11}T_6, -\kappa T_6T_7 + T_9T_{11})$	$\cup V(T_3, T_8, T_7, T_{11}, T_5)$ Method: computation.
3,9	$ \begin{array}{c} V(T_9,T_3,\\ T_2^{a}T_4T_{11}^{a}T_6^{a-1} - T_7T_8,\\ T_1^{a}T_4T_5^{a}T_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6T_7,\\ T_1^{a}T_4T_5^{a-1}T_8^{a} - T_{11}T_{10},\\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} - T_5 T_{10}, \\ T_1^a T_2^a T_4^2 T_5^{a-1} T_6^{a-1} T_8^{a-1} T_{11}^{a-1} \\ -T_7 T_{10} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ -1 & a-1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & a-1 \\ -1 & a-1 & 0 & -1 & a-1 \end{array} \right] $
3,10	$ \begin{array}{c} V(T_{10},T_3,T_1T_4T_5T_8,\\ -\kappa T_6T_7+T_9T_{11},\\ \left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$ \begin{array}{c} T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_7 T_8, \\ -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} + T_8 T_9) \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & a - 1 \end{array} \right] $
3,11	$V(T_{11}, T_3, T_7, T_1T_4T_5T_8, T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10})$	$\cup V(T_{11}, T_3, T_8, T_{10}, T_6)$ Method: computation.
4,5	$V(T_5, T_4, T_7T_8, T_8T_9, -\kappa T_6T_7 + T_9T_{11},$	$-\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10},$ $-T_3 T_9 - T_7 T_{10})$ <i>Method:</i> computation.

4, 6	$V(T_6, T_4, T_9T_{11}, T_{11}T_{10}, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8,$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, \ T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10}) \ Method:$ computation.
4,7	$V(T_7, T_4, T_3T_5, T_9T_{11}, T_3T_9, -\kappa T_3T_6 - T_{11}T_{10},$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}$ ) Method: computation.
4,8	$V(T_8, T_4, T_3T_5, T_5T_{10}, -\kappa T_6T_7 + T_9T_{11},$	$-\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10},$ $-T_3 T_9 - T_7 T_{10})$ <i>Method:</i> computation.
4,9	$V(T_9, T_4, T_6T_7, T_5T_{10}, T_7T_{10}, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8,$	$-\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}$ ) Method: computation.
4,10	$V(T_{10}, T_4, T_3T_9, T_8T_9, T_3T_6, -T_3T_5 - T_7T_8,$	$\kappa T_6 T_7 - T_9 T_{11}$ ) Method: computation.
4,11	$V(T_{11}, T_4, T_6T_7, T_3T_6, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8,$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10},$ $T_3T_9 + T_7T_{10})$ Method: computation.
5, 6	$V(T_6, T_5, T_7T_8, T_9T_{11}, T_{11}T_{10}, T_8T_9,$	$T_3T_9 + T_7T_{10}$ ) Method: computation.
5,7	$V(T_7, T_5, T_3T_9, T_9T_{11}, T_8T_9,$	$T_2 T_4 T_6 T_{11}, -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10})$ Method: computation.
5, 8	$V(T_8, T_5, T_2T_4T_6T_{11}, \\ -\kappa T_6T_7 + T_9T_{11},$	$-\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10},$ $T_3 T_9 + T_7 T_{10})$ <i>Method:</i> computation.
5,9	$V(T_9, T_5, T_6T_7, T_7T_{10}, T_7T_8,$	$T_2T_4T_6T_{11}, \\ -\kappa T_3T_6 - T_{11}T_{10})$ Method: computation.
5,10	$V(T_{10}, T_5, T_3T_9, T_3T_6, T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_7T_8, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & a-1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_{6}T_{7} + T_{9}T_{11}, \\ -\kappa T_{2}^{a}T_{4}T_{6}^{a}T_{11}^{a-1} + T_{8}T_{9}) \\ \stackrel{-1}{-1} & 0 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & a - 1 \end{array} \right] $
5,11	$V(T_{11}, T_5, T_7T_8, T_6T_7, T_3T_6, T_8T_9,$	$T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10}$ ) Method: computation.

6, 7	$V(T_7, T_6, T_3T_5, T_3T_9, T_1^a T_4 T_{\epsilon}^{a-1} - T_9 T_{11},$	$T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - T_{11} T_{10}, T_8 T_9 - T_5 T_{10})$
	$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a - 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & a - 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & a & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
6, 8	$V(T_8, T_6, T_3T_5, T_9T_{11}, T_{11}T_{10},$	$T_5T_{10}, T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10})$ Method: computation.
6, 9	$V(T_9, T_6, T_5T_{10}, T_1T_4T_5T_8, T_{11}T_{10}, T_1T_4T_5T_8, T_{11}T_{10}, T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T_1T$	$T_7T_{10}, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8, )$ Method: computation.
6,10	$V(T_{10}, T_6, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8, T_9T_{11}, T_1T_4T_5T_8,$	$T_8T_9, T_3T_9)$ Method: computation.
6, 11	$V(T_{11}, T_6, T_1T_4T_5T_8, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8,$	$T_8T_9 - T_5T_{10}, \ T_3T_9 + T_7T_{10}) \ Method:$ computation.
7,8	$V(T_8, T_7, T_9T_{11}, T_3T_9, \\ -\kappa T_3T_6 - T_{11}T_{10}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} T_2^a T_4 T_{11}^a T_6^{a-1} - T_3 T_5, \\ -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} - T_5 T_{10}) \\ a-1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & a -1 \end{array} \right] $
7,9	$V(T_9, T_7, T_1T_4T_5T_8, T_2^aT_4T_{11}^aT_6^{a-1} - T_3T_5, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} - T_5 T_{10}) \\ a-1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & a-1 \end{array} \right] $
7,10	$ \begin{array}{c} V(T_{10},T_{7},\\ T_{2}^{a}T_{4}T_{11}^{a}T_{6}^{a-1} - T_{3}T_{5},\\ T_{1}^{a}T_{4}T_{5}^{a}T_{8}^{a-1} - T_{9}T_{11},\\ T_{1}^{a}T_{4}T_{5}^{a-1}T_{8}^{a} - \kappa T_{3}T_{6},\\ \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a \\ a & 0 & -1 & 1 & a -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a & a & -1 & 2 & a -1 \end{bmatrix} $	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} + T_8 T_9, \\ T_1^a T_2^a T_4^2 T_5^{a-1} T_6^{a-1} T_8^{a-1} T_{11}^{a-1} \\ -T_3 T_9) \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} a - 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & a - 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & a -1 \\ a - 1 & 0 & a - 1 & -1 & 0 & a -1 \end{array} \right] $
7, 11	$V(T_{11}, T_7, T_3T_5, T_3T_9, T_3T_9, T_3T_6,$	$T_1T_4T_5T_8,\ T_8T_9-T_5T_{10})$ Method: computation.
8,9	$V(T_9, T_8, T_7T_{10}, T_6T_7, T_2^aT_4T_{11}^aT_6^{a-1} - T_3T_5, \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} -\kappa T_3 T_6 - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ -\kappa T_2^a T_4 T_6^a T_{11}^{a-1} - T_5 T_{10}) \\ a - 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & a - 1 \end{array} \right] $
8,10	$V(T_{10}, T_8, T_3T_9, T_3T_6, T_2T_4T_6T_{11},$	$T_3T_5, -\kappa T_6T_7 + T_9T_{11})$ Method: computation.

8,11	$V(T_{11}, T_8, T_3T_5, T_6T_7, T_3T_6, T_5T_{10},$	$T_3T_9 - T_7T_{10}$ ) Method: computation.
9,10	$V(T_{10}, T_9, T_2T_4T_6T_{11}, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a \\ a & 0 & -1 & 1 & a - 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - \kappa T_3 T_6) \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & a - 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} $
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9,11	$V(T_{11}, T_9, T_7T_{10}, T_5T_{10}, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a \\ a & 0 & -1 & 1 & a - 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{bmatrix} T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - \kappa T_3 T_6 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & a -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} $
10,11	$V(T_{11}, T_{10}, T_3T_9, T_8T_9, T_3T_5 + T_7T_8, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 & a \\ a & 0 & -1 & 1 & a - 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{bmatrix} T_1^a T_4 T_5^a T_8^{a-1} + \kappa T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^a T_4 T_5^{a-1} T_8^a - \kappa T_3 T_6 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{smallmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & a - 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} $

Thus, by Algorithm 4.5.15, the surface  $X_2$  is a Mori dream surface and the statement about its Cox ring holds. The fact that it does not admit a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action can be seen from its graph  $G_{X_2}$  of exceptional curves



where the subgraph induced by the vertices  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11\}$  exists by the blow up sequence, compare Remark 5.3.7. By Lemma 5.4.12, the surface cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface because sink and source, marked black, meet in the common negative curve  $V(X_2; T_4)$ .

(XII) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star ix)$ . Let  $a \geq 3$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v)' \xleftarrow{\iota_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star v) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{B$$

where the embeddings  $\iota_i$  are as in Setting 4.2.9 with

 $\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^5 \to \mathbb{K}^6, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5, \\ \bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^7 \to \mathbb{K}^8, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_2(z)), \qquad h_2 := (\lambda - 1) T_2^a T_4 - \lambda T_6 T_7$ 

where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are

$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1 z_9, z_2, \dots, z_7, z_8 z_9],$$

$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1 z_7, z_2, \dots, z_5, z_6 z_7], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second and third blow up are

 $V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_7), V(X_1; T_9).$ 

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



The first configuration has already been dealt with in part (XI) of this proof. For the second configuration, we choose the point

$$q_2 := [0, 1, 1, \mu, 1, \mu - 1, 1, \lambda - \mu, 1] \in X_1, \qquad \mu \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1, \lambda\}.$$

It exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and  $\pi_1 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_2^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_2)$  equals  $[0, 1, 1, \mu] \in \mathbb{F}_a$ . Since  $V(X_1; T_1)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve, the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_2$  will admit a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action, see Lemma 5.4.11. The blow ups of the third and fourth configurations are blow ups of  $X_1$  in the points

$$q_3 := [1, 0, 1, 0, 1, -1, 1, \lambda, 1], \qquad q_4 := [0, 1, 1, 0, 1, -1, 1, \lambda, 1] \in X_1$$

which project to the respective points [1, 0, 1, 0] and  $[0, 1, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under  $\pi_1 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_2^{-1} \circ \pi_3$ . Both points exist by an iterated application of Lemma 5.4.5 and Lemma 5.2.16. By Lemma 5.4.11, both the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_3$  and the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_4$  will admit non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -actions.

The last configuration means blowing up  $X_1$  in a point in the exceptional divisor  $V(X_1; T_5)$ . Since it can also be obtained as the blow up of Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star iv)$  or Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star viii)$  in the respective divisor  $V(T_1)$  we will treat this case in parts (XIII) and (XIV) of this proof.

(XIII) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star iv)$ . Let  $a \geq 3$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence



 $X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a$ 

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are given by

$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1 z_8, z_2, \dots, z_6, z_7 z_8],$$
  
$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_6, z_4, z_5 z_6], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second and third blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, we choose in  $X_1$  the point  $q_1 := [0, 1, 1, \lambda, 1, 1, \lambda - 1, 1]$ with  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ . It exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and satisfies

$$\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_1) = [0, 1, 1, \lambda] \in \mathbb{F}_a.$$

Since  $V(X_1; T_1)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  will admit a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action, see Lemma 5.4.11. For the second, third and fourth configurations, we

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blow up the points

$$\begin{array}{rcl} q_2 &:= & [1,0,0,1,1,1,0,1], & q_3 &:= & [1,0,1,0,1,1,-1,1] \\ & q_4 &:= & [0,1,1,0,1,1,-1,1] & \in & X_1 \end{array}$$

which project to [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0] and  $[0, 1, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under  $\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3$ . A stepwise application of Lemma 5.4.5 and Lemma 5.2.16 shows that all points exist. By Lemma 5.4.11, all three surfaces will be  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces.

For the fifth configuration, we want to blow up a point in the union of the exceptional divisors  $V(X_1; T_5)$  and  $V(X_1; T_6)$ . By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the points

$$q_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1], \qquad q'_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1] \in X_1$$

both of which exist by Lemma 5.2.16. We first blow up  $X_1$  in  $q_5$ . The steps are as before, compare Remark 5.2.1. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_8 - T_3 T_6$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 & & \\ -1 & & \\ -1 & & \\ 1 & & \\ 1 & & \\ 1 & & \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0]$  we stellarly subdivide  $\Sigma'_1$  at the vector v := (-1, 0, -1, 2). Write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star} (p_1)_{\star} (T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 - T_7 T_8) = T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 T_{10} - T_7 T_8$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star} (p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_8 + T_3 T_6.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is prime. In particular,  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$ . The grading is pointed by Remark 4.2.10. Consider the open subset

$$U := \{ x \in \overline{X}_2; \ x_8 x_9 \neq 0 \text{ or } x_7 x_{10} \neq 0 \} \subseteq \overline{X}_2 = V (\mathbb{K}^{10}; I_2).$$

Inspecting the indices i = 1, 2 and j = 7, 10 or i = 1, 2 and j = 8, 9 respectively we see that the rank of the Jacobian matrix  $(\partial g_i/\partial T_j)_{i,j}(u)$  is two for all  $u \in U$ . Furthermore,  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  is contained in the union of the 8-dimensional subspaces

$$V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_8, T_7), \quad V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_8, T_{10}), \quad V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_9, T_7), \quad V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_9, T_{10}).$$

We claim that in  $\mathbb{K}^{10}$  each of the following intersections is of dimension six.

$$\begin{aligned} X_2 \cap V(T_8, T_7) &= V(T_8, T_7, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 T_{10}, T_9 T_{10} + T_3 T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8, T_{10}) &= V(T_8, T_{10}, T_2 T_4, T_3 T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_7) &= V(T_9, T_7, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 T_{10}, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_8 - T_3 T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10}) &= V(T_9, T_{10}, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_8 - T_3 T_6). \end{aligned}$$

The second one is clearly of dimension six whereas for the others, as in Lemma 5.3.3, we consider the exponent matrices

0	$\begin{array}{c} a \\ 0 \end{array}$		-1 C	) –	2 0 1 0	0 0	$0 \\ -1$	$^{-1}_{-1}$	],
$\left[\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 1\end{array}\right]$	a = 1	$^{-1}_{-1}$	$\frac{1}{1}$	$^{-1}_{0}$	$^{-2}_{-1}$	0 0	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \end{array}$	0 – 1 0 0	[ ],
$\begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix}$	a = 1	$_{-1}^{0}$	$1 \\ 1$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$_{-1}^{0}$	$^{-1}_{0}$	$^{-1}_{1}$	0 0	

all of which are of rank two. Thus, on the respective tori, the dimension is six by Lemma 5.3.3. One directly checks that the dimension is at most six on the smaller tori. Therefore,  $\dim(\overline{X}_2 \setminus U) \leq 6$  and, since  $\overline{X}_2$  is of dimension at least eight, the

codimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  in  $\overline{X}_2$  is at least two. By Lemma 5.4.3, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime. Consider the ideals

$$I_{2} + \langle T_{10} \rangle = \langle T_{10}, T_{2}^{a} T_{4} - T_{7} T_{8}, T_{1} T_{2}^{a-1} T_{4} T_{8} - T_{3} T_{6} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{10}],$$
  
$$I_{0} := \langle T_{2}^{a} T_{4} - T_{6} T_{7}, T_{1} T_{2}^{a-1} T_{4} T_{7} - T_{3} T_{5} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{7}].$$

Then the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$ , i.e.,  $I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle$  is prime, if and only if  $I_0$  is a prime ideal in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]$ . The matrix consisting of the exponents of the binomial generators

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & a - 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

has a Smith normal form of shape  $[E_2, 0, \ldots, 0]$  where  $E_2$  is the  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix. Hence, the ideal  $\langle I_0 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_7^{\pm 1}]$  is prime, compare [37]. By Remark 5.4.14,  $I_0$  is prime if  $I_0 = I_0 : T_1 \cdots T_7^{\infty}$ . To this end we first prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G} &:= \{f_1, f_2, f_3\} \\ &:= \{T_1 T_6 T_7^2 - T_2 T_3 T_5, \ T_2^a T_4 - T_6 T_7, \ T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_7 - T_3 T_5\} \end{aligned}$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to any degree reverse lexicographical ordering with  $T_1 > \ldots > T_{i-1} > T_{i+1} > \ldots > T_7 > T_i$  for a  $1 \le i \le 7$ . First, observe that we have  $I_0 = \langle \mathcal{G} \rangle$  since  $f_2$  and  $f_3$  are the generators of  $I_0$  and  $f_1 = -T_1T_7f_2 + T_2f_3$ . The S-polynomials are

$$S(f_1, f_2) = -T_2^{a+1}T_3T_4T_5 + T_1T_6^2T_7^3$$
  

$$S(f_1, f_3) = -T_2^aT_3T_4T_5 + T_3T_5T_6T_7,$$
  

$$S(f_2, f_3) = -T_1T_6T_7^2 + T_2T_3T_5.$$

The division algorithm, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 3], returns the combinations

$$S(f_1, f_2) = T_6 T_7 f_1 - T_2 T_3 T_5 f_2, \quad S(f_1, f_3) = -T_3 T_5 f_2, \quad S(f_1, f_4) = -f_1.$$

By the Buchberger criterion, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 6],  $\mathcal{G}$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to the chosen orderings. By [90, Lem. 12.1], we know that

$$\left\{\frac{f}{T_i^{k_i(f)}}; \ f \in \mathcal{G}\right\} = \mathcal{G}, \qquad k_i(f) := \max\left(n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}; \ T_i^n \mid f\right)$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0: T_i^{\infty}$ . In particular,  $I_0 = I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each  $1 \le i \le 7$ . As in [90, p. 114], the claim follows from

$$I_0: (T_1 \cdots T_7)^{\infty} = ((\cdots (I_0: T_1^{\infty}) \cdots): T_7^{\infty}) = I_0.$$

Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for all  $i \neq j$  and we have  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10 since

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{1}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{1}, T_{3}T_{6}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{2}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{2}, T_{7}T_{8}, T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{3}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{3}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{4}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{4}, T_{7}T_{8}, T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{5}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{8} - T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{7}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{7}, T_{2}T_{4}, T_{3}T_{6})$$

are all of dimension six; this can be seen as in the dimension computations of  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8, T_{10})$  and  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10})$  above. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring

of the performed modification with its degree matrix as listed in the table. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_5, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_5, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_8 - T_3 T_6 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is a prime ideal since the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'$  is isomorphic to the integral domain  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$ . Given Cox coordinates  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  for the point  $\iota(q_5) \in X'_1$  we have  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and by the previous dimension arguments

dim 
$$(V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')) = -1 + \dim (\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10})) = 5$$

An application of Lemma 5.2.15 shows that the performed modification was the claimed blow up. The Cox ring and degree matrix of the resulting surface  $X_2 =$ Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star i)$  are listed in the table. We claim that its graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$  is as follows. By Lemma 5.4.12,  $X_2$  then cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.



It suffices to prove the existence of the subgraph induced by the vertices  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10\}$ . By Remark 5.3.7 and the fact that  $V(X_2; T_{10})$  is the exceptional divisor of the last blow up, we know that the curves  $V(X_2; T_i)$  are negative. The existence of the edges, i.e., the fact that the curves meet, is directly seen from the blow up sequence of  $X_2$ .

We now blow up  $X_1$  in  $q'_5 = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1]$  by the same steps. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8^2 - T_3$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$ , whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 & & & \\ -1 & -2 & & \\ 1 & 1 & \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in the point  $\iota(q'_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0]$  we determine the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (-2, 0, -1, 3) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$  and write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 - T_7 T_8) = T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 T_{10}^2 - T_7 T_8,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8^2 + T_3.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$  by showing that  $I_2$  is prime. By Lemma 5.4.4, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime if the ideal

$$I_2' := \langle T_2^a T_3 - T_9^2 T_4^2 T_5^2 T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_3 T_7^2 + T_9^3 T_4 T_5^2 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_3 = -g_2 + T_3$  in  $g_1$  and relabeling all  $T_i$  with i > 3 by  $T_{i-1}$  is prime. The latter follows from Lemma 5.2.17. In similar manner, by Lemma 5.4.4, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  since the ideal

$$I_2' + \langle T_9 \rangle = \langle T_9, T_2^a T_3 - T_6 T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

is prime by Lemma 5.2.17. Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for all  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10: the dimension of each

zero set

$$\begin{split} X_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_3, T_1, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_2, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_3, T_2, T_7 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_3, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_3, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, T_1 T_2 T_4 T_5 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_4, T_3, T_7 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_5, T_3, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_6, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, -T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8^2 + T_3), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_2 T_4, T_3), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_8, T_3, T_2 T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, -T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8^2 + T_3) \end{split}$$

is six. In the parameter-free cases this can be seen by computations whereas otherwise, Lemma 5.3.3 is used. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as degree matrix. We now show that we have performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_6, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_6, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, -T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8^2 + T_3 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q'_5) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and by the previous computations

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10}) \right) = 5.$$

By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. As all requirements for Algorithm 4.3.3 are fulfilled we may eliminate the equation  $T_3 = g_2 + T_3$  from  $I_2$ . We obtain the Cox ring  $R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$  describing the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q'_5)$  with the degree matrix  $Q'_2$  given by

$$Q_2' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -a & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Observe that the surface  $X_2$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. Its Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2) = R'_2$  is isomorphic to the Cox ring of a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface Y given by

$$\mathcal{R}(Y) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_2^a T_3 + T_9^3 T_4 T_5^2 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle$$

with the same degree matrix  $Q'_2$ . Using Lemma 5.1.5, the isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(Y) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_6 + T_9^2 T_4^2 T_5^2 T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_3 T_7, & i = 6, \\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

We come to the blow up of the last configuration. This is the blow up of  $X_1$  in a point in the last exceptional divisor, i.e.,  $V(X_1; T_8)$ . By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the point  $q_6 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in X_1$ . As before, choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6 - T_7$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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For the blow up of  $\iota_2(q_6) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0] \in X'_1$ , we determine the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at the vector  $v := (-1, -2, -2, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$  and write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 - T_7 T_8) = T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 - T_7 T_8 T_{10},$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is prime. In particular,  $I_2$  then is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$ . By Lemma 5.4.4, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime if the ideal

$$I_2' := \langle T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 - T_7 T_9 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$  in  $g_1$  and relabeling all  $T_i$  with i > 7 by  $T_{i-1}$  is prime. The latter follows from Lemma 5.2.17. By the same reasoning, making again use of Lemma 5.4.4, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  since

$$I'_2 + \langle T_9 \rangle = \langle T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9].$$

is prime by Lemma 5.2.17. Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated because their degrees deg $(T_i)$ , deg $(T_j)$  are different for all  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10: the dimensions of all intersections

$$\begin{split} X_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_1, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_2, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_2, T_3 T_5 T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_3, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_3, T_2 T_4, T_7), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_4, T_3 T_5 T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_5, T_2 T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_6, T_2 T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2, T_1 T_2 T_4 T_5 T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_8, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2, -T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2, -T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7). \end{split}$$

are six. This is done by computations or with Lemmas 5.3.3 and 5.4.4 By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as degree matrix. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_8, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_8, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6 - T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q_6) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and, as  $g_2$  is a fake relation, we have

$$\dim \left( V \left( \mathbb{K}^9; I' \right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( V \left( \mathbb{K}^9; T_8, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6^2 \right) \right) = 5$$

By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. By Algorithm 4.3.3 we are allowed to remove the redundant equation  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$ . Hence, the Cox ring of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_6$  is  $\mathcal{R}(X_2) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$ . Its degree matrix is given by removing the seventh column of a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ . Note that at the moment we are uncertain whether  $X_2$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface or not.

(XIV) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star viii)$ . Let  $a \geq 3$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 : \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are given by

 $\pi_3([z]) = [z_1 z_8, z_2, \dots, z_6, z_7 z_8],$ 

$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1z_6, z_2, \dots, z_4, z_5z_6], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1z_5, z_2, z_3z_5, z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second and third blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



For the first configuration, we choose the point  $q_1 := [0, 1, 1, \lambda, 1, 1, \lambda - 1, 1]$  in  $X_1$ where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{1\}$ . It exists by Lemma 5.2.16 and satisfies

$$\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_1) = [0, 1, 1, \lambda] \in \mathbb{F}_a.$$

Since  $V(X_1; T_1)$  is a parabolic fixed point curve the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_1$  will admit a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action, see Lemma 5.4.11. For the configurations two, three and four we want to blow up the points

$$[1,0,0,1,1,1,0,1], \qquad [1,0,1,0,1,1,-1,1], \qquad [0,1,1,0,1,1,-1,1] \in X_1,$$

which project to [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0] and  $[0, 1, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  under  $\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3$  respectively. By an iterative application of Lemma 5.4.5 and Lemma 5.2.16, we see that all points exist. By Lemma 5.4.11, all three surfaces will be  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces.

For the fifth configuration, we want to blow up a point in the union of the exceptional divisors  $V(X_1; T_5)$  and  $V(X_1; T_6)$ . By Remark 5.3.5 it suffices to consider the points

$$q_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1], \qquad q'_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1] \in X_1$$

both of which exist by Lemma 5.2.16. We first blow up  $X_1$  in  $q_5$ . Choose the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_8 - T_3 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $\iota(q_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in X'_1$  we determine the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (-1, 0, -1, 2) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$  and write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_8) = T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 T_{10} - T_7 T_8,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_8 + T_3.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is prime. In particular,  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$ . By Lemma 5.4.4, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime if the ideal

$$I_2' := \langle T_2^a T_3 - T_9 T_4 T_5^2 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_7 + T_9^2 T_4 T_5 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_3 = -g_2 + T_3$  in  $g_1$  and replacing all  $T_i$  with  $T_{i-1}$  if i > 3 is prime. The latter follows from Lemma 5.2.17. By the same reasoning,

using Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  since we have a prime ideal

$$I'_{2} + \langle T_{9} \rangle = \langle T_{9}, T_{2}^{a}T_{3} - T_{6}T_{7} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{9}].$$

Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since their degrees  $\deg(T_i)$ ,  $\deg(T_j)$  are different for all  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10: each of the intersections

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{1}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{1}, T_{3}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{2}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{2}, T_{3}, T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{3}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{3}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{6}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{4}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{4}, T_{3}, T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{5}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{6}T_{8} + T_{3}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{3}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{7}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{7}, T_{2}T_{4}, -T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{6}T_{8} + T_{3}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{8}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{8}, T_{3}, T_{2}T_{4}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{9}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{6}T_{8} + T_{3})$$

is six-dimensional. This can be seen directly or with Lemma 5.4.4. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as degree matrix. We now show that we have performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_5, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_5, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_8 - T_3 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q_5) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and, as above, we have

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10}) \right) = 5.$$

By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. Using Algorithm 4.3.3, we eliminate the equation  $T_3 = -g_2 + T_3$  and obtain the Cox ring  $R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$  of the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_5$ . Its degree matrix  $Q'_2$  is given by removing the third column of a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ , i.e.,

$$Q_2' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2a-1 & -a+1 & -a & a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Observe that the blow up  $X_2$  is isomorphic to a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface Y since its Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2) = R'_2$  is isomorphic to

$$\mathcal{R}(Y) := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_2^a T_3 + T_9^2 T_4 T_5 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle$$

with the same degree matrix  $Q'_2$ , compare Lemma 5.1.5. The isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(Y) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_6 + T_9 T_4 T_5^2 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3, & i = 6, \\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

We now blow up  $X_1$  in  $q'_5$  by similar steps. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_7 T_8^2 - T_3^2 T_5$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns

are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q'_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0]$  we determine the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (-1, 0, -2, 3) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$  and write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_8) = T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 T_{10} - T_7 T_8,$$
  

$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_7 T_8^2 + T_3^2 T_5.$$

We show that  $I_2 = I_2 : T_{10}^{\infty}$  by showing that  $I_2$  is prime. The grading is pointed by Remark 4.2.10. Consider the open subset

$$U := \left\{ x \in \overline{X}_2; \ x_2 x_4 x_7 x_8 \neq 0 \text{ or } x_3 x_5 x_{10} \neq 0 \right\} \subseteq \overline{X}_2 = V \left( \mathbb{K}^{10}; I_2 \right).$$

Inspecting the entries with indices i = 1, 2 and j = 1, 7 as well as i = 1, 2 and j = 6, 9, we see that the rank of the Jacobian matrix  $(\partial g_i/\partial T_j)_{i,j}(u)$  is two for all  $u \in U$ . Furthermore,  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  is contained in the union of the 8-dimensional subspaces

$$V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_2, T_3\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_2, T_5\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_2, T_{10}\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_4, T_3\right), \\ V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_4, T_5\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_4, T_{10}\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_7, T_3\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_7, T_5\right), \\ V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_7, T_{10}\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_8, T_3\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_8, T_5\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_8, T_{10}\right).$$

We directly see that each of the following intersections is of dimension six.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} X_2 \cap V(T_2,T_3) &=& V(T_3,T_2,T_9T_{10},T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_2,T_5) &=& V(T_5,T_2,T_9T_{10},T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_2,T_{10}) &=& V(T_{10},T_2,T_7T_8,T_3T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4,T_3) &=& V(T_4,T_3,T_9T_{10},T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4,T_5) &=& V(T_5,T_4,T_9T_{10},T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4,T_{10}) &=& V(T_{10},T_4,T_7T_8,T_3T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7,T_3) &=& V(T_7,T_3,T_9T_{10},T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7,T_5) &=& V(T_7,T_5,T_9T_{10},T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7,T_{10}) &=& V(T_{10},T_7,T_3T_5,T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8,T_3) &=& V(T_8,T_3,T_9T_{10},T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8,T_5) &=& V(T_8,T_5,T_9T_{10},T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8,T_5) &=& V(T_8,T_5,T_9T_{10},T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8,T_{10}) &=& V(T_{10},T_8,T_3T_5,T_2T_4). \end{array}$$

Therefore,  $\dim(\overline{X}_2 \setminus U) \leq 6$  and, since  $\overline{X}_2$  is of dimension at least eight, the codimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  in  $\overline{X}_2$  is at least two. By Lemma 5.4.3, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime. We now show that the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  by showing that the ideal

$$I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle = \langle T_{10}, T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_7 T_8^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]$$

is a prime ideal. Since  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]/I_0$  this is equivalent to

$$I_0 := \langle T_2^a T_4 - T_6 T_7, \ T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_7^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]$$

being prime. By a computation, we verified the cases  $3 \le a \le 4$ . Let  $a \ge 5$ . The ideal  $\langle I_0 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_7^{\pm 1}]$  is prime since the matrix consisting of the exponents

of the binomial generators

has a Smith normal form of shape  $[E_2, 0, ..., 0]$  where  $E_2$  is the  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix, compare [37]. By Remark 5.4.14,  $I_0$  is prime if  $I_0 = I_0 : (T_1 \cdots T_7)^{\infty}$ . To this end, we first show that

$$\mathcal{G} := \{ f_1, f_2, f_3 \}$$
  
 
$$:= \{ T_1 T_6^2 T_7^3 - T_2 T_5 T_3^2, T_2^a T_4 - T_6 T_7, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_7^2 - T_5 T_3^2 \}$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to any degree reverse lexicographical ordering with  $T_1 > \ldots > T_{i-1} > T_{i+1} > \ldots > T_7 > T_i$  for a  $1 \le i \le 7$ . Since  $f_2$ ,  $f_3$  are the generators of  $I_0$  and  $f_1 = -T_1T_6T_7^2f_2 + T_2f_3$ , we have  $\langle \mathcal{G} \rangle = I_0$ . The S-polynomials are

$$S(f_1, f_2) = -T_2^{a+1}T_3^2T_4T_5 + T_1T_6^3T_7^4,$$
  

$$S(f_1, f_3) = -T_2^aT_3^2T_4T_5 + T_3^2T_5T_6T_7,$$
  

$$S(f_2, f_3) = -T_1T_6^2T_7^3 + T_2T_5T_3^2.$$

The division algorithm, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 3], returns the combinations

$$S(f_1, f_2) = T_6 T_7 f_1 - T_2 T_3^2 T_5 f_2, \quad S(f_1, f_3) = -T_3^2 T_5 f_2, \quad S(f_2, f_3) = -f_1.$$

By the Buchberger criterion, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 6],  $\mathcal{G}$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to each of the chosen orderings. From [90, Lem. 12.1], we infer that

$$\left\{\frac{f}{T_i^{k_i(f)}}; \ f \in \mathcal{G}\right\} = \mathcal{G}, \qquad k_i(f) := \max\left(n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}; \ T_i^n \mid f\right)$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ , i.e., we have  $I_0 = I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each *i*. As in [90, p. 114], the claim follows from

$$I_0: T_1 \cdots T_7^{\infty} = ((\cdots (I_0: T_1^{\infty}) \cdots): T_7^{\infty}) = I_0.$$

Furthermore, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for all  $i \neq j$  and  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10: each of the intersections

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{1}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{1}, T_{3}T_{5}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{3}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{3}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{7}T_{8}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{5}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{7}T_{8}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{7}T_{8}^{2} - T_{3}^{2}T_{5}),$$

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{9}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{7}T_{8}^{2} - T_{3}^{2}T_{5}),$$

is six-dimensional; here, one uses Lemma 5.3.3. The missing cases have been treated before. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with its degree matrix as listed in the table. Observe that we performed the desired blow up. The factor ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'$  where

$$\begin{aligned} I' &:= \langle T_6, \ T_9, \ h_2, \ h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle \\ &= \langle T_6, \ T_9, \ T_2^a T_4 - T_7 T_8, \ T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_7 T_8^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \rangle \ \subseteq \ \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \end{aligned}$$

is isomorphic to the integral domain  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$ . Hence, the ideal I' is prime. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q'_5) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and by the previous dimension computations

$$\dim (V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')) = -1 + \dim (\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10})) = 5.$$

The performed modification then was the claimed blow up, see Lemma 5.2.15. The Cox ring and degree matrix of the resulting surface  $X_2 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star ii)$  are listed

in the table of Theorem 5.4.1. We claim that the graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$  is



By Lemma 5.4.12,  $X_2$  then cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. It suffices to prove the existence of the subgraph induced by the vertices  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10\}$ . By Remark 5.3.7 and the fact that  $V(X_2; T_{10})$  is the exceptional divisor of the last blow up, we know that the curves corresponding to the vertices are negative. The existence of the edges is directly seen from the blow up sequence.

We come to the last configuration. Here, we want to blow up a point in the last exceptional divisor  $V(X_1; T_8)$ . By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the point  $q_6 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in X_1$ . Similar to before, we choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6^2 - T_7$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q_6) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0]$  we determine the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (-1, -2, -2, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$  and write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_8) = T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_8 T_{10},$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6^2 + T_7.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$  by proving that  $I_2$  is prime. By Lemma 5.4.4, the latter is the case if the ideal

$$I_2' := \langle T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_9 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6^2 + T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$  in  $g_1$  and replacing all  $T_i$  with i > 7 by  $T_{i-1}$  is prime. By Lemma 5.2.17, this is the case. In a similar manner, using Lemma 5.4.4, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  since

$$I_2' + \langle T_9 \rangle = \langle T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

is prime by Lemma 5.2.17. Moreover, as the degrees  $\deg(T_i)$  are pairwise different, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated for  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10: each of the intersections

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{1}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{1}, T_{7}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{5}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{2}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{2}, T_{7}, T_{3}T_{5}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{3}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{3}, T_{2}T_{4}, T_{7}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{4}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{4}, T_{7}, T_{3}T_{5}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{5}, T_{7}, T_{2}T_{4}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{7}, T_{2}T_{4}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{7}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{7}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{5}T_{6}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{5}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{8}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{8}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{5}T_{6}, -T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4}T_{5}T_{6}^{2} + T_{7}),$$

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$$\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6, -T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6^2 + T_7)$$

is of dimension six; here, Lemma 5.4.4 can be used. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification. Its degree matrix is a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ . Observe that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_8, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_8, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6, -T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_5 T_6^2 + T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q_6) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$ . Moreover, since  $T_7$  is linear in  $g_2$  we have

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; T_8, T_9, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 \right) \right) = 5.$$

By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. Using Algorithm 4.3.3, we substitute the equation  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$  into  $g_1$ . We obtain the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X_2) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$  of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_6$ . Its degree matrix  $Q'_2$  is given by removing the seventh column of a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ , i.e.,

$$Q_2' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a & 0 & 5a-2 & -2a+1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Observe that  $X_2$  is isomorphic to a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface Y. By Lemma 5.1.5 it suffices to show that  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is isomorphic to

$$\mathcal{R}(Y) := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 + T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \rangle$$

where the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(Y)$  is again  $Q'_2$ . The isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(Y) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is induced by the graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_3 + T_7 T_9 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6, & i = 3, \\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

(XV) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 iv)$ . Let  $a \geq 3$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i)' \stackrel{\iota_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 i) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are given by

$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 z_8, z_6, z_7 z_8],$$
  
$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1, z_2, z_3 z_6, z_4, z_5 z_6], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second and third blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations



The blow ups of the first three configurations are the blow ups of  $X_1$  in the points

$$[1,0,0,1,1,1,0,1], \quad [0,1,1,0,1,1,-1,1], \quad [1,0,1,0,1,1,-1,1] \in X$$

which project under  $\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3$  to [1, 0, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0] and  $[1, 0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  respectively. Note that all points exist by a stepwise application of Lemmas 5.4.5 and 5.2.16. By Lemma 5.4.11, all three surfaces will be  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces.

We come to the fourth configuration. The main steps are as in previous cases. We want to blow up of  $X_1$  in the point

$$q_4 := [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1] \in X_1, \qquad \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, 1] \in \mathbb{F}_a.$$

Note that  $q_4$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_2^a T_4 + T_5 T_6 T_7 T_8^2$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ a \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0]$ , we determine the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (1, -1, 0, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ . Write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6 - T_7 T_8) = T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_{10} - T_3 T_6 - T_7 T_8,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_2^a T_4 - T_5 T_6 T_7 T_8^2.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is prime. In particular,  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$ . The grading is pointed by Remark 4.2.10. Consider the open subset

$$U := \{ x \in \overline{X}_2; \ x_6 x_9 \neq 0 \text{ or } x_7 x_{10} \neq 0 \} \subseteq \overline{X}_2 = V (\mathbb{K}^{10}; I_2)$$

Inspecting the indices i = 1, 2 and j = 3, 10 as well as i = 1, 2 and j = 8, 9 we see that the rank of the Jacobian matrix  $(\partial g_i/\partial T_j)_{i,j}(u)$  is two for all  $u \in U$ . Furthermore,  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  is contained in the union of the 8-dimensional subspaces

$$V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_6, T_7), V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_6, T_{10}), V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_9, T_7), V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_9, T_{10}).$$

Furthermore, each of the following intersections is of dimension six.

$$X_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{7}) = V(T_{7}, T_{6}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} - T_{9}T_{10}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{10}),$$
  

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{7}T_{8}, T_{2}T_{4}),$$
  

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{7}) = V(T_{9}, T_{7}, T_{2}T_{4}, T_{3}T_{6}),$$
  

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{9}, T_{3}T_{6} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + T_{5}T_{6}T_{7}T_{8}^{2}).$$

For  $\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10})$ , we used Lemma 5.3.3 with the exponent matrix

to see that the dimension is six on  $\mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, \ldots, 1, 0, 0)$ . One directly verifies that the dimension is at most six on all smaller tori. Therefore, dim $(\overline{X}_2 \setminus U) \leq 6$  and, since  $\overline{X}_2$  is of dimension at least eight, the codimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  in  $\overline{X}_2$  is at least two. By Lemma 5.4.3, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime. We now show that the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  by proving that

$$I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle = \langle T_{10}, T_3T_6 + T_7T_8, T_2^aT_4 + T_5T_6T_7T_8^2 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]$$

is a prime ideal. Since  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]/I_0$  this is equivalent to

$$I_0 := \langle T_2 T_5 + T_6 T_7, T_1^a T_3 + T_4 T_5 T_6 T_7^2 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7]$$

being prime. By a computation, we verified the cases  $3 \le a \le 4$ . Assume  $a \ge 5$ . The ideal  $\langle I_0 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_7^{\pm 1}]$  is prime since the matrix consisting of the exponents of the binomial generators

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

has a Smith normal form of shape  $[E_2, 0, ..., 0]$  where  $E_2$  is the 2 × 2 unit matrix, compare [37]. By Remark 5.4.14,  $I_0$  is prime if  $I_0 = I_0 : (T_1 \cdots T_7)^{\infty}$ . To show this, we first prove that

$$\mathcal{G} := \{f_1, f_2\} := \begin{cases} T_2 T_5 + T_6 T_7, T_1^a T_3 + T_4 T_5 T_6 T_7^2 \\ T_6 T_7 + T_5 T_2, T_1^a T_3 - T_4 T_5^2 T_7 T_2 \end{cases}, T_2 T_5 > T_6 T_7,$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to any degree reverse lexicographical ordering with  $T_1 > \ldots > T_{i-1} > T_{i+1} > \ldots > T_7 > T_i$  for any  $1 \le i \le 7$ . Let  $g'_i$  be the generators of  $I_0$ . In the case  $T_2T_5 < T_6T_7$  we have  $f_2 = -T_4T_5T_7g'_1 + g'_2$ . In particular, we have  $\langle \mathcal{G} \rangle = I_0$  in both cases. The single S-polynomial is

$$S(f_1, f_2) = \begin{cases} T_1^a T_3 T_6 T_7 - T_2 T_4 T_5^2 T_6 T_7^2, & T_2 T_5 > T_6 T_7, \\ T_1^a T_3 T_5 T_2 + T_2 T_4 T_5^2 T_6 T_7^2, & T_2 T_5 < T_6 T_7. \end{cases}$$

The division algorithm, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 3], returns the combinations

$$S(f_1, f_2) = \begin{cases} -T_4 T_5 T_6 T_7^2 f_1 + T_6 T_7 f_2, & T_2 T_5 > T_6 T_7, \\ T_4 T_5^2 T_7 T_2 f_1 + T_5 T_2 f_2, & T_2 T_5 < T_6 T_7. \end{cases}$$

By the Buchberger criterion, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 6],  $\mathcal{G}$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to each of the chosen orderings. By [90, Lem. 12.1], we know that

$$\left\{\frac{f}{T_i^{k_i(f)}}; \ f \in \mathcal{G}\right\} = \mathcal{G}, \qquad k_i(f) := \max\left(n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}; \ T_i^n \mid f\right)$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ . In particular,  $I_0 = I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each *i*. As in [90, p. 114], the claim follows from

$$I_0: (T_1 \cdots T_7)^{\infty} = ((\cdots (I_0: T_1^{\infty}) \cdots): T_7^{\infty}) = I_0.$$

Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for all  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10 since each of the intersections

$$\begin{split} \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_1, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_1, T_3T_6 + T_7T_8, T_2^aT_4 + T_5T_6T_7T_8^2), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_2, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_2, T_3T_6 + T_7T_8, T_5T_6T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_3, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_3, T_7T_8, T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_4, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_4, T_3T_6 + T_7T_8, T_5T_6T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_5, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_5, T_3T_6 + T_7T_8, T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_7, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_7, T_3T_6, T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_8, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_8, T_3T_6, T_2T_4), \end{split}$$

is of dimension six. As in previous cases, this is done by a computer check or using Lemma 5.3.3. The missing cases have been treated before. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as degree matrix. Observe that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_1, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_1, T_9, T_3 T_6 + T_7 T_8, T_2^a T_4 + T_5 T_6 T_7 T_8^2 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime since  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$  which is an integral domain. Let  $z := (0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q_4) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and

$$\dim (V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')) = -1 + \dim (\overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10})) = 5$$

by the previous dimension arguments. By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. The Cox ring and degree matrix of the resulting surface  $X_2 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iii)$  are

$$\mathcal{R}(X_2) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] / \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_{10} - T_3 T_6 - T_7 T_8, \\ T_2^a T_4 + T_5 T_6 T_7 T_8^2 - T_9 T_{10} \end{array} \right\rangle, \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -a & a & 2a-1 & -a+1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right].$$

Observe that  $X_2$  is not a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface. To this end, we claim that the graph of exceptional curves  $G_{X_2}$  is as follows. However, note that it suffices to prove the existence of the subgraph induced by the vertices  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10\}$ .



By Remark 5.3.7 and the fact that  $V(X_2; T_{10})$  is the exceptional divisor of the last blow up, we know that the curves corresponding to the vertices are negative. The existence of the edges, i.e., the fact that the curves meet, is directly seen from the blow up sequence. By Lemma 5.4.12,  $X_2$  cannot be a K\*-surface.

For the fifth configuration, we treat blow ups of  $X_1$  in a point in the union of the exceptional divisors

$$V(X_1; T_5) \cup V(X_1; T_6) \cup V(X_1; T_8).$$

Note that we do not have to blow up a point in the parabolic fixed point curve  $V(X_1; T_5)$  by Lemma 5.4.11. By Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider the points

$$q_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1], \qquad q'_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in X_1$$

Lemma 5.2.16 ensures their existence. We first blow up  $X_1$  in  $q_5$ . Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8 - T_3$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0]$ , we determine the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (0, 1, -1, 2) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ . Write  $P_2 = [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6 - T_7 T_8) = T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6 T_{10} - T_7 T_8,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8 + T_3.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$  by showing that  $I_2$  is prime. Consider the ideal

$$I_2' := \langle T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 - T_9 T_5 T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_3 T_4 T_7 + T_9^2 T_5 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_3 = -g_2 + T_3$  in  $g_1$  and replacing all  $T_i$  with  $T_{i-1}$  if i > 3. By Lemma 5.2.17,  $I_0$  is prime. This implies primality of  $I_2$ , see Lemma 5.4.4. Similarly, by Lemma 5.4.4, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  since the ideal

$$I'_{2} + \langle T_{9} \rangle = \langle T_{9}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{3} - T_{6}T_{7} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{9}]$$

is prime by Lemma 5.2.17. Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for all  $i \neq j$ . Also, we have  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for each i < 10: all intersections

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{1}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{1}, T_{3}, T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{2}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{2}, T_{3}, T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{3}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{3}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{5}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{4}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{4}, T_{3}, T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{5}, T_{3}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}^{2}T_{2}^{a-2}T_{4}T_{5}T_{8} + T_{3}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{6}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{7}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}, T_{3}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{8}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{8}, T_{3}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{9}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{1}^{2}T_{2}^{a-2}T_{4}T_{5}T_{8} + T_{3})$$

are six-dimensional; this can be seen using Lemmas 5.4.4 and Lemma 5.3.3. Theorem 4.2.6 shows that  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as degree matrix. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_6, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_6, T_9, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_7 T_8, T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_8 - T_3 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q_5) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10}) \right) = 5.$$

By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. Using Algorithm 4.3.3, we eliminate the equation  $T_3 = -g_2 + T_3$  and obtain the graded ring  $R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$  as Cox ring of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_5$ . Its degree matrix  $Q'_2$  is obtained by removing the third column of a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ , i.e.,

	1	0	0	0	0	3	-2	-1	1
O' -	0	1	0	0	0	2a - 3	-a + 2	-a + 1	a - 1
	0	0	0	0	0	-1	1	2	-1
$\varphi_2$ –	0	0	1	0	0	2	-1	-1	1
	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0	0
	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	-1

Note that  $X_2$  is isomorphic to a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface Y. By Lemma 5.1.5 it suffices to show that  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is isomorphic to

$$\mathcal{R}(Y) := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 + T_9^2 T_5 T_8 - T_6 T_7 \rangle$$

with the same degree matrix  $Q'_2$ . The isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(Y) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_6 + T_9 T_5 T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_3 T_4, & i = 6, \\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

For the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q'_5$  we choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_6 - T_7$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix

of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & \frac{3}{2a-3} & \\ & -1 & \\ & 2 & \\ & 1 & \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q'_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0]$  we determine the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at the sum  $v := (-2, -3, -2, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$  of the last two columns of  $P'_1$ . Define  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6 - T_7 T_8) = T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6 - T_7 T_8 T_{10},$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is prime. Note that this implies that  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$ . Consider the ideal

$$I_2' := \langle T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6 - T_7 T_9 T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$  in  $g_1$  and replacing all  $T_i$  with  $T_{i-1}$  if i > 7. By Lemma 5.4.4, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime if the ideal  $I'_2$  is. The latter follows from Lemma 5.2.17. Using again Lemma 5.4.4, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  since the ideal

$$I'_{2} + \langle T_{9} \rangle = \langle T_{9}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{6} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{9}]$$

is prime, see Lemma 5.2.17. Furthermore, as the degrees  $deg(T_i)$  are pairwise distinct, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated for  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_i \nmid T_{10}$  for all i < 10: the vanishing sets

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{1}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{1}, T_{7}, T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{2}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{2}, T_{7}, T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{3}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{3}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}, T_{7}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{4}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{4}, T_{7}, T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{5}, T_{7}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{5}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{6}, T_{7}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{7}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{7}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{6}, T_{1}T_{2}T_{4}T_{5}T_{6}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{8}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{8}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{6}, -T_{1}^{2}T_{2}^{a-2}T_{4}T_{5}T_{6} + T_{7}), 
\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_{9}, T_{1}T_{2}^{a-1}T_{4} - T_{3}T_{6}, -T_{1}^{2}T_{2}^{a-2}T_{4}T_{5}T_{6} + T_{7}),$$

are all six-dimensional; this can be seen using Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.3.3. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as its degree matrix. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_8, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_8, T_9, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6, -T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q'_5) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10}) \right) = 5$$

where we used the previous dimension computations. By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. Using Algorithm 4.3.3, we eliminate the equation  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$  and obtain the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded ring  $R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$  as
Cox ring of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q'_5$ . Its degree matrix  $Q'_2$  is given by removing the seventh column of a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ , i.e.,

$$Q_2' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a - 1 & 0 & 3a - 5 & -a + 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We show that  $X_2$  is isomorphic to a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface Y. By Lemma 5.1.5 it suffices to given an isomorphism between  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)$  and

$$\mathcal{R}(Y) := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 - T_3 T_6 + T_7 T_9^2 T_8 \rangle$$

where the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(Y)$  is again  $Q'_2$ . The isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(Y) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_3 + T_7 T_9 T_1^2 T_2^{a-2} T_4 T_5, & i = 3, \\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

(XVI) Blow ups of  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 ix)$ . Let  $a \geq 3$ . Recall from the proofs of Proposition 5.2.8 and Theorem 5.3.1 the point configuration and blow up sequence

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_3} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii)' \xleftarrow{\iota_1} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 ii) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star i) \xrightarrow{\pi_1} \mathbb{F}_a$$

where the embedding  $\iota_1$  is as in Setting 4.2.9 with

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^6 \to \mathbb{K}^7, \qquad z \mapsto (z, h_1(z)), \qquad h_1 \coloneqq T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5$$

where  $h_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]$  and the blow ups  $\pi_i$  are

$$\pi_3([z]) = [z_1, \ldots, z_5, z_6 z_8, z_7 z_8],$$

$$\pi_2([z]) = [z_1 z_6, z_2, z_3, z_4, z_5 z_6], \qquad \pi_1([z]) = [z_1 z_5, z_2, z_3 z_5, z_4].$$

The exceptional divisors of the first, second and third blow up are

$$V(X_1; T_5), V(X_1; T_6), V(X_1; T_8).$$

On  $X_1$ , we want to blow up a point which, together with the exceptional divisors, projects to one of the configurations

For the first three configurations we blow up  $X_1$  in the points

$$[1,0,0,1,1,1,0,1], \quad [0,1,1,0,1,1,-1,1], \quad [1,0,1,0,1,1,-1,1] \in X_1,$$

which project under  $\pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3$  to [1, 0, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0] and  $[1, 0, 1, 0] \in \mathbb{F}_a$  respectively. By a stepwise application of Lemma 5.4.5 and Lemma 5.2.16, all points exist. By Lemma 5.4.11, all three surfaces will be  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surfaces.

The blow up of the fourth configuration is the blow up of  $X_1$  in the point

$$q_4 := [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1] \in X_1, \qquad \pi_1 \circ \pi_2 \circ \iota_1^{-1} \circ \pi_3(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, 1] \in \mathbb{F}_a.$$

Note that  $q_4$  exists by Lemma 5.2.16. The main steps are as in previous cases. Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 T_8$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ a \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in the point  $\iota(q_4) = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0]$  we determine the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (2, -1, 1, -2) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ . Define the enlarged matrix  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} \left( T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8 \right) = T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 T_{10} - T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} \left( T_9 - h_2 \right) = T_9 T_{10} - T_2^a T_4 + T_3 T_5 T_6 T_8.$$

We show that  $I_2 = I_2 : T_{10}^{\infty}$  by proving that  $I_2$  is a prime ideal. The grading is pointed by Remark 4.2.10. Consider the open subset

$$U := \{ x \in \overline{X}_2; \ x_8 x_9 \neq 0 \text{ or } x_7 x_{10} \neq 0 \} \subseteq \overline{X}_2 = V(\mathbb{K}^{10}; I_2).$$

Inspecting the indices i = 1, 2 and j = 7, 10 as well as i = 1, 2 and j = 8, 9 we see that the rank of the Jacobian matrix  $(\partial g_i/\partial T_j)_{i,j}(u)$  is two for all  $u \in U$ . The complement  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  is contained in the union of the 8-dimensional subspaces

 $V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_8, T_7\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_8, T_{10}\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_9, T_7\right), \quad V\left(\mathbb{K}^{10}; T_9, T_{10}\right).$ 

Each of the following intersections is of dimension six

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{8}, T_{7}) = V(T_{8}, T_{7}, T_{1}T_{2}^{2a-1}T_{4}^{2}T_{10} - T_{3}^{2}T_{5}, T_{9}T_{10} - T_{2}^{a}T_{4}),$$
  

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{8}, T_{10}) = V(T_{8}, T_{10}, T_{3}T_{5}, T_{2}T_{4}),$$
  

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{7}) = V(T_{9}, T_{7}, T_{1}T_{2}^{2a-1}T_{4}^{2}T_{10} - T_{3}^{2}T_{5}, -T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + T_{3}T_{5}T_{6}T_{8}),$$
  

$$\overline{X}_{2} \cap V(T_{9}, T_{10}) = V(T_{9}, T_{10}, -T_{3}^{2}T_{5} - T_{7}T_{8}, -T_{2}^{a}T_{4} + T_{3}T_{5}T_{6}T_{8}).$$

Note that for the first, third and fourth variety we used Lemma 5.3.3 with the respective exponent matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2a-1 & -2 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -a & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2a-1 & -2 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

to see that the dimension is six on the respective tori

$$\mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, \dots, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1), \qquad \mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, \dots, 1, 0, 1, 0), \qquad \mathbb{T}^{10} \cdot (1, \dots, 1, 0, 0)$$

and then directly checks that the dimension is at most six on all smaller tori. Therefore,  $\dim(\overline{X}_2 \setminus U) \leq 6$ . Since  $\overline{X}_2$  is of dimension at least eight, the codimension of  $\overline{X}_2 \setminus U$  in  $\overline{X}_2$  is at least two. By Lemma 5.4.3, this shows that  $I_2$  is prime. We now prove that the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$ . Consider the ideals

$$I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle = \langle T_{10}, -T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8, -T_2^a T_4 + T_3 T_5 T_6 T_8 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}],$$
  
$$I_0 := \langle T_2^2 T_4 + T_6 T_7, T_1^a T_3 - T_2 T_4 T_5 T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7].$$

Since  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_7]/I_0$  it suffices to show that  $I_0$  is prime. The ideal  $\langle I_0 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_7^{\pm 1}]$  is prime since the matrix consisting of the exponents of the binomial generators

has a Smith normal form of shape  $[E_2, 0, ..., 0]$  where  $E_2$  is the  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix, compare [37]. By Remark 5.4.14,  $I_0$  is prime if  $I_0 = I_0 : (T_1 \cdots T_7)^{\infty}$ . In a first step we show that the set of generators

$$\mathcal{G} := \{f_1, f_2\} := \{T_2^2 T_4 + T_6 T_7, T_1^a T_3 - T_2 T_4 T_5 T_7\}$$

already is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to the degree reverse lexicographical ordering for any ordering of the variables of the kind  $T_1 > \ldots > T_{i-1} > T_{i+1} >$ 

 $\ldots > T_7 > T_i$  with  $1 \le i \le 7$ . We verified the case  $3 \le a \le 4$  by a computer check, so assume  $a \ge 5$ . The single S-polynomial is

$$S(f_1, f_2) = T_1^a T_3 T_6 T_7 + T_2^3 T_4^2 T_5 T_7.$$

The division algorithm, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 3], returns the combination

$$S(f_1, f_2) = T_2 T_4 T_5 T_7 f_1 + T_6 T_7 f_2.$$

Using the Buchberger criterion, see [26, Ch. 2, Thm. 6],  $\mathcal{G}$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0$  with respect to each of the specified orderings. By [90, Lem. 12.1], we know that

$$\left\{\frac{f}{T_i^{k_i(f)}}; \ f \in \mathcal{G}\right\} = \mathcal{G}, \qquad k_i(f) := \max\left(n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}; \ T_i^n \mid f\right)$$

is a Gröbner basis for  $I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ . In particular  $I_0 = I_0: T_i^{\infty}$  for each *i*. As in [90, p. 114], the claim follows from

$$I_0: T_1 \cdots T_7^{\infty} = ((\cdots (I_0: T_1^{\infty}) \cdots): T_7^{\infty}) = I_0.$$

We have shown that  $T_{10}$  is prime. Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for  $i \neq j$ . Also, observe that  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10. The intersections

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_1, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_1, -T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8, -T_2^a T_4 + T_3 T_5 T_6 T_8) \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_2, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_2, -T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8, T_3 T_5 T_6 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_3, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_3, T_7 T_8, T_2 T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_4, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_4, -T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8, T_3 T_5 T_6 T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_5, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_5, T_7 T_8, T_2 T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_6, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_6, -T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8, T_2 T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_7, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_3 T_5, T_2 T_4) \end{aligned}$$

are all six-dimensional; as in previous cases, this can be seen by computer checks or using Lemma 5.3.3. The missing cases have been treated before. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification. Its degree matrix is listed below. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_1, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_1, T_9, T_3^2 T_5 + T_7 T_8, T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 T_8 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime since  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/(I_2 + \langle T_{10} \rangle)$  which is an integral domain. Let  $z := (0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q_4) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10}) \right) = 5$$

by the previous dimension computations. By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. The Cox ring and degree matrix of the resulting surface  $X_2 = \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iv)$  are

We claim that its graph  $G_{X_2}$  of exceptional curves is as follows. Note that it suffices to prove the existence of the subgraph induced by the vertices  $T_i$  with  $i \in \{1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10\}$ .



By Remark 5.3.7 and the fact that  $V(X_2; T_{10})$  is the exceptional divisor of the last blow up, we know that the curves corresponding to the vertices are negative. The existence of the edges, i.e., the fact that the curves meet, is directly seen from the blow up sequence. By Lemma 5.4.12,  $X_2$  then cannot be a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface.

For the fifth configuration we want to blow up a point in the union of the exceptional divisors

$$V(X_1; T_5) \cup V(X_1; T_6) \cup V(X_1; T_8).$$

Note that we need not treat blow ups of points on the parabolic fixed point curve  $V(X_1; T_6)$ , see Lemma 5.4.11. Hence, by Remark 5.3.5, it suffices to consider

$$q_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1], \qquad q'_5 := [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0] \in X_1.$$

Both points exist by Lemma 5.2.16. We first blow up  $X_1$  in  $q_5$ . Choose in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_8 - T_3$  for the embedding  $\bar{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

$$Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a-1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0]$  we perform the stellar subdivision of  $\Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (-1, 1, -1, 3) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ . Define the enlarged matrix  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} \left(T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8\right) = T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 T_{10} - T_7 T_8,$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} \left(T_9 - h_2\right) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_8 + T_3.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is prime. In particular,  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$ . By Lemma 5.4.4, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime if the ideal

$$\begin{split} I_2' &:= \langle T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_3^2 - T_9 T_4 T_1^2 T_2^{2a-2} T_3^2 T_5^2 T_7^2 \\ &+ 2 T_9^2 T_4 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_5 T_7 T_8 - T_9^3 T_4 T_8^2 - T_6 T_7 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] \end{split}$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_3 = -g_2 + T_3$  in  $g_1$  and replacing all  $T_i$  with  $T_{i-1}$  if i > 3 is prime. This follows from Lemma 5.2.17. In a similar manner, by Lemma 5.4.4, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  since the ideal

$$I'_{2} + \langle T_{9} \rangle = \langle T_{9}, T_{1}T_{2}^{2a-1}T_{3}^{2} - T_{6}T_{7} \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{9}].$$

is prime, see Lemma 5.2.17. Moreover, no two variables are associated because the degrees deg $(T_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^6$  are pairwise different. Also,  $T_i \nmid T_{10}$  for all i < 10 since the

dimension of each of the intersections

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_1, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_1, T_3, T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_2, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_2, T_3, T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_3, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_3, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_7T_8, T_1T_2T_4T_6T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_4, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_4, T_3, T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_5, T_1T_2^{a-1}T_4T_6T_8 - T_3, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_6, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_6, T_3, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_7T_8), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_7, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_7, T_3, T_1T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_8, T_{10}) &= V(T_{10}, T_9, T_1T_2^{a-1}T_4T_6T_8 - T_3, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_7T_8) \end{aligned}$$

is six. This can be seen using Lemma 5.4.4. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as degree matrix. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_5, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_5, T_9, T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_7 T_8, T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_6 T_8 - T_3 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemmas 5.4.4 and 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$  be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q_5) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$ . By the previous dimension arguments

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_5, T_{10}) \right) = 5.$$

Thus, the performed modification was the claimed blow up, see Lemma 5.2.15. Using Algorithm 4.3.3, we substitute the equation  $T_3 = -g_2 + T_3$  and obtain the graded ring  $R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$  as the Cox ring of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q_5$ . Its degree matrix  $Q'_2$  is given by removing the third column of a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ , i.e.,

$$Q_2' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3a-2 & -a+1 & -2a+1 & 2a-1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that the blow up of  $X_1$  in  $q_5$  is isomorphic to a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface Y. By Lemma 5.1.5 it suffices to show that  $R'_2 = \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is isomorphic to

$$\mathcal{R}(Y) := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / \langle T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_3^2 - T_9^3 T_4 T_8^2 - T_6 T_7 \rangle$$

with the same degree matrix  $Q'_2$ . The isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(Y) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is induced by the  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] &\to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9], \\ T_i &\mapsto \begin{cases} T_6 + T_9 T_4 T_1^2 T_2^{2a-2} T_3^2 T_5^2 T_7 - 2T_9^2 T_4 T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_5 T_8, & i = 6, \\ T_i, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

For the blow up  $X_1$  in  $q'_5$  we choose the polynomial  $h_2 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 - T_7$ in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]$  for the embedding  $\overline{\iota}_2 : \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9$ . Let  $Q_1$  be the degree matrix of  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$ . We have a new degree matrix  $Q'_1$  and a matrix  $P'_1$  whose columns are generators for the rays of the fan  $\Sigma'_1$  of  $Z'_1$ :

For the blow up of  $X'_1$  in  $\iota(q'_5) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0]$ , we determine the stellar subdivision  $\Sigma_2 \to \Sigma'_1$  at  $v := (-1, -3, -2, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ . Write  $P_2 := [P'_1, v]$ . The vanishing ideal  $I_2 \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  of  $\overline{X}_2$  is generated by

$$g_1 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8) = T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 - T_7 T_8 T_{10},$$
  
$$g_2 := p_2^{\star}(p_1)_{\star} (T_9 - h_2) = T_9 T_{10} - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7.$$

We show that  $I_2$  is saturated with respect to  $T_{10}$  by showing that  $I_2$  is prime. Consider the ideal

$$I_2' := \langle T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 - T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 T_7 T_9 + T_7 T_8 T_9^2 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$$

obtained by substitution of  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$  in  $g_1$  and replacing all  $T_i$  with  $T_{i-1}$  for i > 7. By Lemma 5.4.4, the ideal  $I_2$  is prime if  $I'_2$  is prime. The latter follows from Lemma 5.2.17. In a similar manner, by Lemma 5.4.4, the variable  $T_{10}$  defines a prime element in  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$ , since the ideal

$$I'_2 + \langle T_9 \rangle = \langle T_9, T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9].$$

is prime by Lemma 5.2.17. Moreover, no two variables  $T_i$ ,  $T_j$  are associated since  $\deg(T_i) \neq \deg(T_j)$  for all  $i \neq j$ . Also,  $T_{10} \nmid T_i$  for all i < 10 since each of the intersections

$$\begin{split} X_2 &\cap V(T_1, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_1, T_7, T_3T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_2, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_2, T_7, T_3T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_3, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_3, T_7, T_1T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_4, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_4, T_7, T_3T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_5, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_5, T_7, T_1T_2T_4), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_6, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_6, T_7, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_3^2T_5), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_7, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_7, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_3^2T_5, T_1T_2T_3T_4T_5T_6), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_8, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_8, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_3^2T_5, T_1T_2^{a-1}T_3T_4T_5T_6 - T_7), \\ \overline{X}_2 &\cap V(T_9, T_{10}) = V(T_{10}, T_9, T_1T_2^{2a-1}T_4^2 - T_3^2T_5, T_1T_2^{a-1}T_3T_4T_5T_6 - T_7). \end{split}$$

is six-dimensional; here, Lemma 5.4.4 can be used. By Theorem 4.2.6,  $R_2 = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]/I_2$  is the Cox ring of the performed modification with a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$  as degree matrix. We now show that we performed the desired blow up. The ideal

$$I' := \langle T_8, T_9, h_2, h_1 - T_7 T_8 \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle T_8, T_9, T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 - T_3^2 T_5, -T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 + T_7 \rangle$   
 $\subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9]$ 

is prime by Lemma 5.4.4 and Lemma 5.2.17. Let  $z := (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{K}^9$ be Cox coordinates for  $\iota(q'_5) \in X'_1$ . Then  $z \in V(\mathbb{K}^9; I')$  and

$$\dim \left( V\left(\mathbb{K}^9; I'\right) \right) = -1 + \dim \left( \overline{X}_2 \cap V(T_9, T_{10}) \right) = 5.$$

By Lemma 5.2.15, the performed modification was the claimed blow up. Using Algorithm 4.3.3, we eliminate the equation  $T_7 = -g_2 + T_7$  and obtain the graded ring  $R'_2 := \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_9]/I'_2$ . The Cox ring of the blow up  $X_2$  of  $X_1$  in  $q'_5$  then is  $\mathcal{R}(X_2) = R'_2$ . Its degree matrix is given by removing the seventh column of a Gale dual matrix of  $P_2$ . Note that it is not obvious whether  $X_2$  is a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface or not.

Isomorphisms: We now remove redundancies between the found surfaces without a non-trivial  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -action. Note that the Cox rings of all surfaces are either listed in the table of Theorem 5.4.1 or directly when encountered in this proof. To rule out isomorphisms, we will first apply Proposition 5.4.6 formally to compare the lists  $L_i$  of the absolute values of the maximal minors of the respective degree matrices. Note

X	list of $6 \times 6$ minors
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 i)$	$0^{47}, 1^{70}, 2^{51}, 3^{17}, 4^{11}, 5^7, 6^3, 7^1, 8^1, 10^1, 11^1$
$\frac{1}{\operatorname{Bl}\mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 ii)}$	$0^{49}, 1^{97}, 2^{44}, 3^{13}, 4^4, 5^1, 6^1, 7^1$
$\frac{1}{\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 iii)}$	$0^{47}, 1^{70}, 2^{51}, 3^{17}, 4^{11}, 5^7, 6^3, 7^1, 8^1, 10^1, 11^1$
$\frac{1}{\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star i)}$	$0^{54}, 1^{127}, 2^{20}, 3^8, 5^1$
$\frac{1}{\operatorname{Bl}\mathbb{P}_2(\star^3\star\star ii)}$	$0^{128}, 1^{202}, 2^{100}, 3^{28}, 4^4$
$Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star iii)$	$0^{49}, 1^{97}, 2^{44}, 3^{13}, 4^4, 5^1, 6^1, 7^1$
$Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star \star i)$	$0^{168}, 1^{266}, 2^{28}$
$Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star i)$	$0^{756}, 1^{920}, 2^{40}$
$Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star ii)$	$0^{3960}, 1^{4032}, 2^{16}$
$Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star iii)$	$0^{168}, 1^{266}, 2^{28}$
$Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star \star iv)$	$0^{62}, 1^{135}, 2^{12}, 3^1$
$BI \mathbb{F} (++++ ni)$	$0^{52}, 1^{116}, 2^6,  a-2 ^{10},  -3+a ^2,  2a-1 ^1,  -5+2a ^1,  -3+2a ^2,$
$\operatorname{DIr}_a(\star\star\star\star 0i)$	$ a-1 ^{14},  a ^6$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_{a}(\star \star \star \star vii)$	$0^{52}, 1^{116}, 2^6,  a+1 ^6,  a-2 ^2,  a-1 ^{10},  2a-1 ^2,  a ^{14},$
	$ 1+2a ^1,  -3+2a ^1$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star xiii),$	$0^{124}, 1^{166}, 2^{28},  a ^{64},  2a-2 ^8,  -2+a ^4,  a-1 ^{32},  2a-3 ^4,$
tt	$ -4+4a ^4,  2a-1 ^{28}$
$\operatorname{Bl}\mathbb{F}\left(\pm^{3}\pm i\right)$	$0^{47}, 1^{89}, 2^{17}, 3^7, 5^1, 3 a ^1, 2 a ^2,  -3+2a ^1,  2a-1 ^6,  -2+3a ^2,$
$\operatorname{Dir}_a(\wedge \wedge \iota)$	$ -3+5a ^1,  a-2 ^2,  a ^{27},  a-1 ^7$
	$0^{47}, 1^{68}, 2^{30}, 3^{11}, 4^2, 5^1, 6^1, 7^1,  -3 + 7a ^1,  2a - 1 ^6, 3 a ^1,  -3 + 4a $
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star ii)$	$ -2+6a ^{1},  -2+4a ^{1},  a-1 ^{2}, 2 a ^{8},  a ^{21},  -2+5a ^{1},  3a-1 ^{5},$
	$ -2+3a ^{1}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iii)$	$0^{47}, 1^{89}, 2^{17}, 3^7, 5^1,  a ^{27},  2a-1 ^6,  -3+5a ^1, 2 a ^2,  a-2 ^2,$
	$\frac{ -3+2a ^{1}, -2+3a ^{2}, a-1 ^{7},3 a ^{1}}{47.468}$
	$0^{47}, 1^{08}, 2^{50}, 3^{11}, 4^2, 5^1, 6^1, 7^1,  a - 1 ^2,  -2 + 4a ^1,  a ^{21},  -3 + 7a ^1,$
BI $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iv)$	$3 a ^{1},  3a-1 ^{3},  2a-1 ^{6},  -2+6a ^{1},  -2+5a ^{1}, 2 a ^{6},  -3+4a ^{1},  -2+5a ^{1}, 2 a ^{6},  -3+4a ^{1},  $
	$\frac{ -2+3a ^2}{ -2+3a ^2}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^4 i), \dagger$	$0^{-}, 1^{-}, 2^{-}, 3^{-}, 4^{-},  a-1 ^{-},  -4+4a ^{-},  4a-3 ^{-}, 2 a ^{-},  2a-1 ^{+},  2a-1 ^$
	$\frac{ -2+3a }{ 135 215 32 42 -4+4a ^{1} -2+3a ^{2} 2a-1 ^{1} a ^{10}}$
Bl $\mathbb{F}_a(\star^2 \star^2 i), \dagger$	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
	u - 1 , $ u - 2 $ , $2 u $

that for blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$ , the  $L_i$  also could be computed with symbolic parameter  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 3}$ . For a concise presentation, given integers  $k, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we shortly write  $k^n$  for the sequence  $k, \ldots, k$  of n copies of k.

By the second statement of Proposition 5.4.6, only the following isomorphisms are possible. In fact, all of them turn out to be isomorphisms.

$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 i) \to \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 iii),$	$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 ii) \to \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star iii)$
Bl $\mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star \star i) \to Bl \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star iii),$	$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star \star \star \star vi) \to \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star vii),$
$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star i) \to \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iii),$	$\operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star ii) \to \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iv).$

For the first isomorphism, write  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 i)$  and  $X_2 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 iii)$ . Recall from the beginning of this proof the Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  and their degree matrices  $Q_i$ .

Y	Cox ring $\mathcal{R}(Y)$	degree matrix	
$X_1$	$ \begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}]/I_1 \\ & \text{with } I_1 \text{ generated by} \\ & T_3^2 T_4 - T_1 T_2 - T_6 T_7 T_8 T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_2^2 T_3 T_4 T_5 - T_6^2 T_7 - T_9 T_1 \end{split} $	$10 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	

	$\mathbb{K}[T_1,\ldots,T_{10}]/I_2$											
$X_2$	with $I_2$ generated by		0 1 0	00	0 0	0 0	0 0	3 2	$^{-1}_{-1}$	$-2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ $	$\begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$	
2	$T_1 T_2 T_6 T_8 - T_3^2 T_4 - T_9 T_{10}, T_1^2 T_2 + T_7 T_8 - T_3^3 T_4^2 T_5 T_{10}$	0	0 0	1 0 0	1 0	0 1	0 0	$-2 \\ -1 \\ 0$	2 1 0	3 1	$-3 \\ -2 \\ -1$	
	-1-2 3 - 4 - 5 - 10	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	$^{-1}$	0	0	

Write  $I_i \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  for the ideal of relations of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$ . Substituting  $T_3^2 T_4 = T_1 T_2 T_6 T_8 - T_9 T_{10}$  into  $I_2$  does not change the ideal, i.e.,

$$I_{2} = \langle T_{1}T_{2}T_{6}T_{8} - T_{3}^{2}T_{4} - T_{9}T_{10}, T_{1}^{2}T_{2} + T_{7}T_{8} - T_{1}T_{2}T_{3}T_{4}T_{5}T_{6}T_{8}T_{10} + T_{3}T_{4}T_{5}T_{9}T_{10}^{2} \rangle.$$

The  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded homomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_7 - T_1 T_2 T_3 T_4 T_5 T_6 T_{10}, & i = 7, \\ T_i, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

induces an isomorphism  $R'_2 \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebras where  $R'_2$  also has  $Q_2$  as degree matrix and is given by

$$R'_{2} := \mathbb{K}[T_{1}, \dots, T_{10}] / I'_{2}, \qquad I'_{2} := \left\langle \begin{array}{c} T_{1}T_{2}T_{6}T_{8} - T_{3}^{2}T_{4} - T_{9}T_{10}, \\ T_{1}^{2}T_{2} + T_{7}T_{8} + T_{3}T_{4}T_{5}T_{9}T_{10}^{2} \end{array} \right\rangle.$$

By Lemma 5.1.5, the surfaces  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are isomorphic if  $R'_2$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)$  as  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebra. Consider the homomorphism of algebras  $\psi \colon R'_2 \to \mathcal{R}(X_1)$  induced by

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] &\to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}], \\ T_1 &\mapsto T_6, \quad T_2 \mapsto T_7, \quad T_3 \mapsto T_3, \quad T_4 \mapsto T_4, \\ T_5 &\mapsto T_5, \quad T_6 \mapsto T_8, \quad T_7 \mapsto T_9, \quad T_8 \mapsto T_{10}, \\ T_9 &\mapsto -T_1, \quad T_{10} \mapsto T_2. \end{split}$$

Then  $\langle \psi(I'_2) \rangle = I_1$  and the homomorphism  $\psi$  is a well-defined isomorphism of Kalgebras. To see that  $\psi$  is also an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebras we consider the homomorphism of abelian groups

This turns the pair  $(\psi, \alpha)$  into an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebras: for all  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^6$  the image  $\psi((R'_2)_w)$  is contained in the component  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)_{\alpha(w)}$  because

$$A \cdot Q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons Q_1.$$

For the second isomorphism, let  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^5 ii)$  and  $X_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{P}_2(\star^3 \star \star iii)$ . We claim that we have an isomorphism given by

$$\varphi \colon \overline{X}_2 \to \overline{X}_1, \qquad (z_1, \dots, z_{10}) \mapsto (-z_9, z_{10}, z_2, z_4, z_6, z_3, -z_7, z_8, z_1, z_5).$$

For this, by Lemma 5.1.5, it suffices to show that the comorphism  $\psi := \varphi^* \colon \mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded isomorphism that is induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \rightarrow \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}],$$
  

$$T_1 \mapsto -T_9, \quad T_2 \mapsto T_{10}, \quad T_3 \mapsto T_2, \quad T_4 \mapsto T_4,$$
  

$$T_5 \mapsto T_6, \quad T_6 \mapsto T_3, \quad T_7 \mapsto -T_7, \quad T_8 \mapsto -T_8,$$
  

$$T_9 \mapsto T_1, \quad T_{10} \mapsto T_5.$$

Write  $I_i \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_{10}]$  for the ideal of relations of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$ . Then  $\langle \psi(I_1) \rangle = I_2$  and the homomorphism  $\psi$  is a well-defined isomorphism of  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebras. Observe that  $\psi$  is also an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebras. Consider the homomorphism of abelian groups

$$\alpha \colon \mathbb{Z}^6 \to \mathbb{Z}^6, \quad e_i \mapsto A \cdot e_i, \quad A := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2\\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1\\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1\\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3\\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \operatorname{GL}(6, \mathbb{Z}).$$

This turns the pair  $(\psi, \alpha)$  into an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebras: for all  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^6$  the image  $\psi(\mathcal{R}(X_1)_w)$  is contained in the component  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)_{\alpha(w)}$  because

$$A \cdot Q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons Q_2.$$

For the third isomorphism define  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{P}_2(\star^2 \star \star \star i)$  and  $X_2 := \mathbb{P}_2(\star \star \star \star \star ii)$ . As seen by the blow up sequences of the respective surfaces the curves  $V(X_1; T_6)$  and  $V(X_2; T_4)$  are (-1)-curves. Their respective contractions lead to surfaces  $X'_i$  fitting into the diagram



where  $\varphi$  will be specified below. The Cox rings  $\mathcal{R}(X'_i)$  and their degree matrices  $Q'_i$  are listed in the following table.

Y	$\mathcal{R}(Y)$	degree matrix	
$X_1'$	$ \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5, T_7, \dots, T_{11}] / I'_1 $ with I generated by $T_4T_8 + T_5T_9 - T_7T_{10}, $ $T_2T_9 + T_1T_8 - T_3T_{10}, $ $T_3T_4 - T_1T_7 - T_9T_{11}, $ $T_2T_7 - T_3T_5 - T_8T_{11}, $ $T_2T_4 - T_1T_5 - T_{11}T_{10} $	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	]
$X_2'$	$\begin{split} & \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_3, T_5, \dots, T_{11}] / I_2' \\ & \text{with } I \text{ generated by} \\ & T_6 T_2 + T_5 T_9 - T_8 T_{10}, \\ & T_3 T_8 - T_1 T_6 - T_9 T_{11}, \\ & T_3 T_5 + T_6 T_7 - T_{11} T_{10}, \\ & T_1 T_5 + T_7 T_8 - T_2 T_{11}, \\ & T_3 T_2 - T_7 T_9 - T_1 T_{10} \end{split}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	

Note that  $\overline{X}'_1$  is a subset of  $\bigoplus_{i\neq 6} \mathbb{K} \cdot e_i \cong \mathbb{K}^{10}$  whereas  $\overline{X}'_2$  is a subset of  $\bigoplus_{i\neq 4} \mathbb{K} \cdot e_i \cong \mathbb{K}^{10}$ . We claim that the isomorphism  $\varphi \colon \overline{X}'_2 \to \overline{X}'_1$  of the total coordinate spaces of the contracted surfaces and its inverse  $\varphi^{-1}$  are given by

$$\overline{X}'_1 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \overline{X}'_2 (z_1, z_8, z_2, z_3, z_6, z_{10}, z_5, z_7, z_{11}, z_9) \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_5, \dots, z_{11}), (z_1, \dots, z_5, z_7, \dots, z_{11}) \quad \mapsto \quad (z_1, z_3, z_4, z_8, z_5, z_9, z_2, z_{11}, z_7, z_{10})$$

To this end, it suffices to show that the comorphism  $\psi := \varphi^* : \mathcal{R}(X_1') \to \mathcal{R}(X_2')$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded isomorphism induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_5, T_7, \dots, T_{11}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_3, T_5, \dots, T_{11}],$$
$$T_i \mapsto T_{\sigma(i)}, \quad \sigma := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 \\ 1 & 8 & 2 & 3 & 6 & 10 & 5 & 7 & 11 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\sigma$  stands for the bijective function  $\{1, \ldots, 11\} \setminus \{6\} \rightarrow \{1, \ldots, 11\} \setminus \{4\}$ mapping the *i*-th element of the first row to the *i*-th element in the second row; see Lemma 5.1.5. Note that  $\langle \psi(I'_1) \rangle = I'_2$  and  $\psi$  is a well-defined isomorphism of  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebras. Observe that  $\psi$  is also an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded algebras. For this purpose, consider the homomorphism of abelian groups

$$\alpha \colon \mathbb{Z}^5 \to \mathbb{Z}^5, \qquad e_i \mapsto A \cdot e_i, \qquad A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathrm{GL}(5,\mathbb{Z}).$$

This turns the pair  $(\psi, \alpha)$  into an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(X'_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X'_2)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded algebras: for all  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^5$ , the image  $\psi(\mathcal{R}(X'_1)_w)$  is contained in the component  $\mathcal{R}(X'_2)_{\alpha(w)}$  as

$$A \cdot Q_1' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons Q_2'$$

Switching back to the original surfaces  $X_i$ ,  $X_1$  can be obtained as the blow up of  $X'_1$  in the point  $p_1$  and  $X_2$  as the blow up of  $X'_2$  in  $p_2$  where

$$\begin{array}{rcl} p_1 & := & [1,0,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,-1] \in X_1', \\ p_2 & := & [-1,0,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1] \in X_2'. \end{array}$$

Both points exist by an application of Algorithm 2.3.8. We claim that we have an automorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \eta \colon \overline{X}'_2 &\to \overline{X}'_2 \\ (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_5, \dots, z_{11}) &\mapsto (z_9, z_8, z_3, z_5, z_7, z_6, z_2, z_1, z_{11}, z_{10}) \,. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by definition of  $\varphi^{-1}$  and  $\eta$ , we have

$$\eta \circ \varphi^{-1}(p_1) = [\eta((1,1,0,1,1,1,0,-1,1,1))] = p_2 \in X'_2.$$

Since  $\varphi^{-1}$  is an isomorphism and  $\eta$  an automorphism, using uniqueness of the blow up we then may conclude that  $X_1$  is isomorphic to  $X_2$ , see Proposition 1.4.5 or [48]. By Lemma 5.1.5, it remains to show that the comorphism  $\kappa := \eta^* : \mathcal{R}(X'_2) \to \mathcal{R}(X'_2)$ is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded algebras induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_3, T_5, \dots, T_{11}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_3, T_5, \dots, T_{11}],$$
  
$$T_i \mapsto T_{\sigma'(i)}, \qquad \sigma' := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 \\ 9 & 8 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 6 & 2 & 1 & 11 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\sigma'$  stands for the bijective function  $\{1, \ldots, 11\} \setminus \{4\} \rightarrow \{1, \ldots, 11\} \setminus \{4\}$ mapping the *i*-th element of the first row to the *i*-th element of the second row.

Note that  $\kappa$  is well-defined since  $\langle \kappa(I'_2) \rangle = I'_2$ . Consider the homomorphism of abelian groups

$$\beta \colon \mathbb{Z}^5 \to \mathbb{Z}^5, \qquad e_i \mapsto B \cdot e_i, \qquad B := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \in \operatorname{GL}(5, \mathbb{Z}).$$

Similar to before,  $(\kappa, \beta)$  is an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(X'_2) \to \mathcal{R}(X'_2)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded algebras since we have  $\kappa(\mathcal{R}(X'_2)_w) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(X'_2)_{\beta(w)}$  for all  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^5$ :

$$B \cdot Q_2' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = Q_2'$$

We come to the fourth isomorphism. Let  $a \geq 3$ . Redefine  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_{a+1}(\star \star \star \star vi)$ and  $X_2 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star vii)$ . We have an isomorphism of K-algebras  $\psi : \mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}],$$
  
$$T_7 \mapsto T_{10}, \quad T_8 \mapsto T_9, \quad T_9 \mapsto T_7, \quad T_{10} \mapsto T_8, \quad T_i \mapsto T_i \text{ else.}$$

Comparing the degree matrices of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  we see that  $(\psi, \mathrm{id})$  is an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebras. By Lemma 5.1.5, this shows that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are isomorphic.

For the fifth isomorphism, write  $X_1 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star i)$  and  $X_2 := \operatorname{Bl} \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iii)$ . Denote by  $Q_i$  the degree matrices of their Cox rings. We claim that we have an isomorphism  $\varphi : \overline{X}_1 \to \overline{X}_2$  with its comorphism  $\psi := \varphi^* : \mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  induced by

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_{10}],$$
  
$$T_i \mapsto T_{\sigma(i)}, \qquad \sigma := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \\ 1 & 2 & 7 & 4 & 5 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Sym}(10).$$

Note that the ideals of relations of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i)$  are mapped to each other. Then  $\psi$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebras. To see that  $\psi$  is  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded consider the homomorphism of abelian groups

$$\gamma: \mathbb{Z}^6 \to \mathbb{Z}^6, \qquad e_i \mapsto C \cdot e_i, \qquad C := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -a & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \in \operatorname{GL}(6, \mathbb{Z}).$$

Thus,  $(\psi, \gamma)$  is an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(X_1) \to \mathcal{R}(X_2)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^6$ -graded algebras since  $\psi$  maps the component  $\mathcal{R}(X_1)_w$  into the component  $\mathcal{R}(X_2)_{\gamma(w)}$  for all  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^6$ :

$$C \cdot Q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -a & 0 & 0 & a & 2a-1 & -a+1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightleftharpoons Q_2.$$

Therefore, again by Lemma 5.1.5, we conclude that the surfaces  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are isomorphic.

For the sixth isomorphism, let  $X_1 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star ii)$  and  $X_2 := \text{Bl } \mathbb{F}_a(\star^3 \star iv)$ . As seen by the blow up sequences of the respective surfaces, the curves  $V(X_1; T_{10})$ and  $V(X_2; T_8)$  are (-1)-curves. Their contraction leads to surfaces  $X'_1$  and  $X'_2$ . We have a diagram



where we consider  $\overline{X}'_1$  as a subset of  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^9 \mathbb{K} \cdot e_i$  and  $\overline{X}'_2$  as a subset of  $\bigoplus_{i \neq 8} \mathbb{K} \cdot e_i \cong \mathbb{K}^9$ . Moreover, the embeddings  $\overline{\iota}_i$  are as in Setting 4.2.9 and satisfy

$$\bar{\iota}_1 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9, \qquad (x_1, \dots, x_8) \mapsto (x_1, \dots, x_8, h_1(x)), 
\bar{\iota}_2 \colon \mathbb{K}^8 \to \mathbb{K}^9, \qquad (x_1, \dots, x_6, x_9, x_{10}) \mapsto (x_1, \dots, x_6, h_2(x), x_9, x_{10}), 
h_1 := T_1 T_2^{a-1} T_4 T_7 T_8^2 - T_3^2 T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8], 
h_2 := T_1 T_2^{2a-1} T_4^2 T_{10} - T_3^2 T_5 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8].$$

The Cox rings and degree matrices  $Q'_i$  and  $Q''_i$  of the surfaces  $X'_i$  and  $X''_i$  are as follows.

Y	$\mathcal{R}(Y)$	degree matrix
$X_1'$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_9] / I$ with I generated by $T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_8, \ T_9 - h_1$	$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$X_2'$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_7, T_9, T_{10}] / I$ with I generated by $T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_9 T_{10}, \ T_7 - h_2$	$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$X_1''$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] / I$ with I generated by $T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_7 T_8$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
$X_2''$	$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_6, T_9, T_{10}] / I$ with $I$ generated by $T_2^a T_4 - T_3 T_5 T_6 - T_9 T_{10}$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

Inspecting the degree matrices  $Q_i''$  and the ideals of  $\mathcal{R}(X_i'')$ , we see that we have an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}(X_1'') \to \mathcal{R}(X_2'')$  of  $\mathbb{Z}^5$ -graded algebras that arises from

$$\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_8] \to \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_6, T_9, T_{10}], \qquad T_i \mapsto \begin{cases} T_9, & i = 7, \\ T_{10}, & i = 8, \\ T_i, & i \neq 7, 8. \end{cases}$$

This yields an isomorphism  $\varphi \colon \overline{X}_2'' \to \overline{X}_1''$ . The surface  $X_1$  is obtained as the blow up of  $X_1'$  at the point  $[\overline{\iota}_1(q_1)] \in X_1'$  where

$$q_1 := (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1) \in X_1'', \quad \bar{\iota}_1(q_1) \in X_1',$$

compare Lemmas 5.1.5 and 5.2.16. Then  $\varphi^{-1}(q_1) = (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1) \in \widehat{X}_2''$  and the blow up of  $X'_2$  at the point  $[\overline{\iota}_2(\varphi^{-1}(q_1))]$  delivers  $X_2$ . We conclude  $X_2 \cong X_1$ . Further note that no isomorphisms between cases with fixed discrete parameter  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 3}$  but different continuous parameters are possible. For the blow ups of  $\mathbb{P}_2$ , this is due to the fact that the respective originating point configurations are not isomorphic. For blow ups of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  we only need to show that the point configuration  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star xiv)$  of Proposition 5.1.4 with fixed  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 3}$  and fixed  $\kappa \in \mathbb{K}^*$  cannot be moved to the same configuration with continuous parameter  $\kappa' \in \mathbb{K}^* \setminus \{\kappa\}$  by an automorphism. To this end, let

$$v_1 := (-1, -a), \quad v_2 := (1, 0), \quad v_3 := (0, 1), \quad v_4 := (0, -1) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$$

be primitive generators of the rays of the fan  $\Sigma_a$  of  $\mathbb{F}_a$ . Recall from [27] that a root of  $\Sigma_a$  is an element  $u \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  such that there is  $1 \leq i(u) \leq 4$  with

$$\langle u, v_{i(u)} \rangle = 1, \qquad \langle u, v_j \rangle \leq 0 \quad \text{for } i(u) \neq j.$$

By [27, Cor. 4.7] the group of equivariant automorphisms of  $\widehat{\mathbb{F}}_a$  is generated by the maximal torus, (certain) permutations of coordinates and automorphisms corresponding to one-parameter subgroups

$$y_u(\lambda) \colon \mathcal{R}(\mathbb{F}_a) \to \mathcal{R}(\mathbb{F}_a), \quad T_j \mapsto \begin{cases} T_j + \lambda \prod_{k \neq j} T_k^{\langle -u, v_k \rangle}, & j = i(u), \\ T_j, & j \neq i(u), \end{cases} \lambda \in \mathbb{K}$$

of graded automorphisms of  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbb{F}_a) = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_4]$  where  $u \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  runs through all roots. Since the roots of  $\mathbb{F}_a$  are

(-1,0), (1,0), (-b,1) where  $0 \le b \le a$ ,

these automorphisms are as in Lemma 5.1.6. In particular, two configurations of type  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star\star\star\star xiv)$  with same  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 3}$  but different continuous parameter cannot be mapped to each other by an automorphism.

**Remark 5.4.15.** To compute the Cox ring of the  $\dagger \dagger$  case Bl  $\mathbb{F}_a(\star \star \star \star xiv)$  for a > 15 one may proceed by the following steps.

- Prove that the ideal  $I_2$  shown in the table is saturated with respect to  $T_{11}$ . As in other cases, this can be done by providing a Gröbner basis depending on the parameter a > 15.
- Show that the binomial ideal  $I_2 + \langle T_{11} \rangle$  is prime. Again, this can be done by providing a Gröbner basis and using Remark 5.4.14; see also Lemma 5.3.4.

However, note that in experiments with fixed a > 15, a Gröbner basis for the first step contained more than 800 elements.

# APPENDIX A

# Procedures of the MDSpackage

We describe an implementation of the algorithms that we have developed throughout this thesis. The *MDSpackage* is currently available for the computer algebra system Maple in joint work with J. Hausen [54, 55]. We make use of the convexpackage [40] by M. Franz. Some of the algorithms have already been implemented in [20, 70] and [16]. This appendix mainly serves as a manual.

The structure of this chapter will be similar to Chapter 2. Section 1 describes procedures on AGs and AGHs whereas Section 2 introduces functions on GRs. Section 3, 4 and 5 present procedures on MDSs, complexity-one T-varieties and miscellaneous functions. We first shortly recall the involved data types from Chapter 2. Corollary 1.3.9 and the description of Construction 1.3.6 serve as a theoretical foundation.

**Data types A.0.16.** We store a Mori dream space X in a MDS, i.e., a pair  $(R, \Phi)$ where R is a graded ring, GR for short, and  $\Phi$  a collection of overlapping cones in  $\operatorname{Cl}(X) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ , called a BUN. The GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  encodes the Cox ring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/\langle G \rangle$  with a list of polynomials  $G \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and the grading of R by  $K := \operatorname{Cl}(X)$  in the form of a degree map, i.e., a homomorphism of finitely generated abelian groups

$$Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K, \qquad e_i \mapsto \deg(T_i).$$

We encode Q in a data type AGH and K in a data type AG for finitely generated abelian groups. It is useful to also store the projection  $Q^0: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K^0 = K/K^{\text{tor}}$  onto the free part as a matrix as well as a Gale dual matrix P of the homomorphism Q.



### 1. Procedures on finitely generated abelian groups

In this section, we describe procedures on finitely generated abelian groups (AGs) and their homomorphisms (AGHs). This describes an implementation of the algorithms of Section 1 of Chapter 2. Here is an overview:

• Creation and stored data: create an AG (Procedure A.1.1), return the stored data of an AG (Procedure A.1.2), create an AGH (Procedure A.1.3), return the stored data of an AGH (Procedure A.1.4).

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- Compare AGs: test for isomorphy (Procedure A.1.5), test for containment (Procedure A.1.6), test for equality (Procedure A.1.7).
- Construct new AGs: factor groups (Procedure A.1.8), product groups (Procedure A.1.9), free part (Procedure A.1.10), intersection (Procedure A.1.11).
- Image and kernel of AGHs: image (Procedure A.1.12), preimage (Procedure A.1.13), kernel (Procedure A.1.14), test for being injective (Procedure A.1.15), test for being surjective (Procedure A.1.16), complete an exact sequence (Procedure A.1.17).
- AGHs as degree maps, etc.: gradiator (Procedure A.1.18), K-degree (Procedure A.1.19), test for being homogeneous (Procedure A.1.20), test for being almost free (Procedure A.1.21), section (Procedure A.1.22).
- Gale duality: compute the degree map Q out of P (Procedure A.1.23), compute P out of Q (Procedure A.1.24), compute the projection  $Q^0$  onto the free part out of Q (Procedure A.1.25).

Recall that given an integral  $r \times n$  matrix A we write  $\lim_{\mathbb{Z}}(A)$  for the sublattice of  $\mathbb{Z}^r$  spanned by the *n* columns of A. In the following procedures one should use the option 'nocheck' if possible to speed up the computations.

**Procedure A.1.1** (createAG). Constructor for the data type AG.

*Input:* there are four input types:

- An integer r. This will create the AG  $\mathbb{Z}^r$ .
- An integer r and a list  $[a_1, \ldots, a_k]$  with  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . This will create the AG  $\mathbb{Z}^r \oplus \bigoplus_i \mathbb{Z}/a_i\mathbb{Z}$ .
- An integral  $r \times s$  matrix L. This will create an AG representing  $\mathbb{Z}^r / \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L)$ .
- An integral  $r \times n$  matrix U and an integral  $r \times s$  matrix L. This will create an AG representing  $(\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (U) + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L)) / \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L)$ .

*Output:* an AG. Also prints an integer r and a list of integers  $[a_1, \ldots, a_k]$  such that the returned group is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}^r \oplus \bigoplus_i \mathbb{Z}/a_i\mathbb{Z}$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module.

*Example:* > createAG(2, [3]); # creates  $\mathbb{Z}^2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ 

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AG(2, [3])
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**Procedure A.1.2** (AGdata). Returns the stored information of the given AG G, i.e., a list  $[U, L, r, [a_1, \ldots, a_s]]$  with integral matrices U, L and  $r, a_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  such that

$$G \cong (\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (U) + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L)) / \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L) \cong \mathbb{Z}^r \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1} \mathbb{Z}/a_i \mathbb{Z}.$$

Input: an AG G = (U, L).

*Output:* a list  $[U, L, r, [a_1, \ldots, a_s]]$  with matrices U and L an integer r and integers  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  as explained above.

Example: > U1 := linalg[matrix]([[2,0],[0,3]]):
> L1 := linalg[matrix]([[0],[3]]):
> H1 := createAG(U1, L1);

H1 := AG(1, [])

> AGdata(H1);

$$\left[ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, 1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

**Procedure A.1.3** (createAGH). Constructor for the data type AGH. Represents a homomorphism  $Q: G_1 \to G_2$  of AGs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ .

Input: an AG  $G_1 = (U_1, L_1)$ , an AG  $G_2 = (U_2, L_2)$  and an integral matrix A. Throws an error if  $A \cdot \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L_1) \not\subseteq \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L_2)$  or if  $A \cdot (\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (U_1) + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L_1))$  is not contained in  $\lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (U_2) + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L_2)$ .

*Output:* the AGH  $(G_1, G_2, A)$ . Also prints integers  $r_i$  and lists  $[a_{i1}, \ldots, a_{ik_i}]$  of integers such that the  $G_i$  are isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}^{r_i} \oplus \bigoplus_j \mathbb{Z}/a_{ij}\mathbb{Z}$  as  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules.

Example: > G1 := createAG(3,[3]);

$$G1 := AG(3, [3])$$

> G2 := createAG(2,[2]);

G2 := AG(2, [2])> A := linalg[matrix]([[1,1,0,0],[0,1,0,0],[0,0,1,2]]);  $A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ > Q := createAGH(G1, G2, A); Q := AGH([3, [3]], [2, [2]])

**Procedure A.1.4** (AGHdata). Returns the stored data of the given AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$ , i.e., returns a list  $[G_1, G_2, A]$  with  $G_i$  AGs and A an integral matrix. *Input:* an AGH  $\varphi$ .

*Output:* a list  $[G_1, G_2, A]$  with AGs  $G_1, G_2$  and a matrix A as explained above. *Example:* let Q be as in Procedure A.1.3.

> AGHdata(Q);

$$\begin{bmatrix} AG(3, [3]), AG(2, [2]), \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Procedure A.1.5** (AGareisom). Implements Algorithm 2.1.4.

Input: an AG G<sub>1</sub> and an AG G<sub>2</sub>. Output: true if G<sub>1</sub> is isomorphic to G<sub>2</sub> and false otherwise. Example: > U1 := linalg[matrix]([[2,0],[0,3]]): > L1 := linalg[matrix]([[0],[3]]): > H1 := createAG(U1, L1); H1 := AG(1,[]) > H2 := createAG(1); H2 := AG(1,[]) > AGareisom(H1, H2); true

**Procedure A.1.6** (AGcontains). Implements Algorithm 2.1.6.

*Input:* there are two input possibilities:

- An AG  $G_1$  and an AG  $G_2$ .
- An AG G and a vector w.

*Output:* true if  $G_1$  contains  $G_2$  or, for the second input type, if  $w \in G$ . Returns false otherwise.

 $\begin{aligned} Example: > L := linalg[matrix]([[0],[3]]); \\ L := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ > & U1 := linalg[matrix]([[2,0],[0,1]]); \\ & U1 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ > & H1 := createAG(U1, L); \\ & H1 := AG(1,[3]) \\ > & U2 := linalg[matrix]([[2,0],[0,3]]); \\ & U2 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ > & H2 := createAG(U2, L); \\ & H2 := AG(1,[]) \\ > & AGcontains(H2, H1); & AGcontains(H1, H2); \\ & true \\ false \\ > & AGcontains(H2, [2,0]); \end{aligned}$ 

true

**Procedure A.1.7** (AGareequal). Implements Algorithm 2.1.8.

*Input:* there are two input types:

- An AG  $G_1$  and an AG  $G_2$ .
- Vectors  $w, w' \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  and an AG G = (U, L) such that  $w + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L)$  and  $w' + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L)$  are elements of G.

*Output:* true if  $G_1 = G_2$  or, for the second input type, if  $w = w' \in G$ . Returns false otherwise.

*Options:* 'nocheck': do not check whether  $w, w' \in G$ .

*Example:* let H1 and H2 be as in Procedure A.1.6.

> AGareequal(H1, H1); AGareequal(H1, H2);

true

false

> AGareequal([2,4],[2,7], H1);

true

Procedure A.1.8 (AGfactgrp). Implements Algorithm 2.1.9.

Input: an AG G and an AG H such that  $H \leq G$ . Output: an AG representing the factor group G/H. Options: 'nocheck': do not check whether  $H \leq G$ . Example: > U1 := linalg[matrix]([[2,0],[0,3]]);

$$U1 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Procedure A.1.9** (AGprodgrp). Implements Algorithm 2.1.10. *Input:* an AG  $G_1$  and an AG  $G_2$ .

$$U1 := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

> L1 := linalg[matrix]([[0],[3]]);

$$L1 := \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

> G1 := createAG(U1, L1);

$$G1 := AG(1, [3])$$

- > U2 := linalg[matrix]([[3,0],[0,2]]);  $U2 := \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- > L2 := linalg[matrix]([[0],[3]]);

$$L2 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

> G2 := createAG(U2, L2);

G2 := AG(1, [3])> G12 := AGprodgrp(G1, G2); AGdata(G12); G12 := AG(2, [3, 3])  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$\left[ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, 2, [3,3] \right]$$

**Procedure A.1.10** (AGfreered). Implements Algorithm 2.1.11. *Input:* an AG G.

$$U := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

> L := linalg[matrix]([[0],[3]]);

$$L := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

> G := createAG(U, L);

G := AG(1, [3])

> GO := AGfreered(G); AGdata(GO);

$$\begin{aligned} G0 &:= AG(1, []) \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, 1, [] \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Procedure A.1.11** (AGintersect). Implements Algorithm 2.1.13.

Input: an AG  $G_1$  and an AG  $G_2$ .

*Output:* an AG G representing the intersection  $G_1 \cap G_2$ .

Options: 'nocheck' prevents checks for the groups to have the same torsion part. Example: consider the AGs G1 and G2 defined in the example of Procedure A.1.9. > G12 := AGintersect(G1, G2); AGdata(G12);

$$\begin{aligned} G12 &:= AG(1, [3]) \\ \left[ \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, 1, [3] \right] \end{aligned}$$

Procedure A.1.12 (AGHim). Implements Algorithm 2.1.17.

Input: an AGH  $Q = (G_1, G_2, A)$  and an AG  $H_1 \leq G_1$ . If the subgroup  $H_1$  is left out,  $H_1 = G_1$  will be used.

*Output:* an AG representing  $Q(H_1) \leq G_2$ . *Example:* > G1 := createAG(2);

$$G1 := AG(2, [])$$

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> G2 := createAG(1,[4]);
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$$G2 := AG(1, [4])$$

> A := linalg[matrix]([[2,0],[0,2]]);

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

> Q := createAGH(G1, G2, A);

$$Q := AGH([2, []], [1, [4]])$$

> H1 := AGHim(Q); AGdata(H1); # the image is  $2\mathbb{Z}\oplus 2\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ 

$$H1 := AG(1, [2]);$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, 1, [2]$$

**Procedure A.1.13** (AGHpreim). Implements Algorithm 2.1.18. *Input:* an AGH  $Q = (G_1, G_2, A)$  and an AG  $H_2 \leq G_2$ . *Output:* an AG representing the preimage  $Q^{-1}(H_2) \leq G_1$ . *Options:* 'nocheck': do not check whether  $H_2 \leq G_2$ . *Example:* > G1 := createAG(2); G2 := createAG(1,[4]); G1 := AG(2, [])G2 := AG(1, [4])

**Procedure A.1.14** (AGHker). Implements Algorithm 2.1.19. *Input:* an AGH  $Q = (G_1, G_2, A)$ . *Output:* returns an AG representing ker $(Q) \le G_1$ . *Example:* define the AGH Q as in A.1.13. > H1 := AGHker(Q); AGdata(H1);

$$\begin{split} H1 &:= AG(1, []) \\ \left[ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, 1, [] \right] \end{split}$$

Procedure A.1.15 (AGHisinj). Implements Algorithm 2.1.20. Input: an AGH Q. Output: returns true if Q is injective and false otherwise. Example: > G1 := createAG(1, [2]); G2 := createAG(1, [4]); G1 := AG(1, [2])G2 := AG(1, [4])> A1 := linalg[matrix]([[1,0], [0,2]]);  $A1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ > phi1 := createAGH(G1, G2, A1); phi1 := AGH([1, [2]], [1, [4]])> AGHisinj(phi1); true> A2 := linalg[matrix]([[1,0], [0,4]]);  $A2 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ > phi2 := createAGH(G1, G2, A2); phi2 := AGH([1, [2]], [1, [4]])

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> AGHisinj(phi2);
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false

**Procedure A.1.16** (AGHissurj). Implements Algorithm 2.1.21. *Input:* an AGH Q.

Output: returns true if Q is surjective and false otherwise. Example: let phi1 and G1 be as in A.1.15.

> AGHissurj(phi1);

false

- > AGHissurj(phi2);

Options: tests.

true

**Procedure A.1.17** (AGHcompleteseq). Implements Algorithm 2.1.22. Input: an AGH  $\varphi = (G_1, G_2, A)$  that is either injective or surjective. Output: an AGH  $\psi$  completing the respective exact sequence

> $0 \leftarrow G_2 \leftarrow \varphi - G_1 \leftarrow \varphi - G \leftarrow 0$  $0 \leftarrow G \leftarrow \psi - G_2 \leftarrow \varphi - G_1 \leftarrow 0$ 'inj' or 'surj' assumes  $\varphi$  is injective or surjective without further

 $\begin{aligned} Example: > U1 := linalg[matrix]([[0], [2]]); \\ U1 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ > L1 := linalg[matrix]([[0], [4]]); \\ L1 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ > G1 := createAG(U1, L1); \ \text{\# represents } \{0\} \oplus 2\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \\ G1 := AG(0, [2]) \end{aligned}$ 

> G2 := createAG(1,[4]); # represents  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ G2 := AG(1,[4]) > U3 := linalg[matrix]([[1,0],[0,2]]);

$$U3 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

> L3 := linalg[matrix]([[0],[4]]);

$$L3 := \begin{bmatrix} 0\\4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Procedure A.1.18 (AGHgradiator). Implements Algorithm 2.1.29.

Input: a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  and a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

*Output:* a list [Q, P] with an AGH  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  representing the gradiator, i.e., the maximal quasi-torus action keeping  $V(f_1, \ldots, f_s)$  invariant. The second element is a Gale dual matrix P of Q.

Example: > RL := [T[1]\*T[2] + T[3]\*T[4] + T[5]\*T[6],T[1]\*T[2] + T[3]^2 + T[5]^2];

$$RL := \left[ T[1]T[2] + T[3]T[4] + T[5]T[6], T[1]T[2] + T[3]^2 + T[5]^2 \right]$$

TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5], T[6]]

> L := AGHgradiator(RL, TT);

$$L := \begin{bmatrix} AGH([6, []], [2, [2]]), \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$
> AGHdata(L[1]);  
$$\begin{bmatrix} AG(6, []), AG(2, [2]), \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Procedure A.1.19** (AGHdeg). Computes the K-degrees of a list of polynomials. *Input:* an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  with K = (U, L), a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

*Output:* a list of vectors  $[w_1, \ldots, w_s]$  with  $w_i \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  representing the degree deg $(f_i) = w_i + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L) \in K$ .

Example: > G1 := createAG(4);

$$G1 := AG(4, [])$$

- > A := linalg[matrix]([[1,1,0,0],[1,1,1,1]]);

$$A := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

> Q := createAGH(G1, K, A); Q := AGH([4, []], [1, [3]])> TT := vars(4); TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]]> RL :=  $[T[1]*T[3] + T[2]*T[4], T[1]^3 + T[2]^3];$   $RL := [T[1]T[3] + T[2]T[4], T[1]^3 + T[2]^3]$ > AGHdeg(Q, RL, TT); # interpreted as  $(1, \overline{2})$  and  $(3, \overline{3}) \in K$ : [[1, 2], [3, 3]]

Input: an AGH or matrix Q, a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  and a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

*Output:* true if all  $f_i$  are homogeneous with respect to the grading  $\deg(T_i) = Q(e_i)$ . Returns false otherwise.

$$\begin{split} Example: > E := createAG(4); K := createAG(1, [3]); \\ & E := AG(4, []) \\ & K := AG(1, [3]) \\ > B := linalg[matrix]([[1,0,-1,2], [1,2,2,2]]); \\ & B := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ > Q := createAGH(E, K, B); \\ & Q := AGH([4, []], [1, [3]]) \\ > RL := [T[1]*T[3] + T[2]^3, T[3]*T[4] + T[1]]; \\ & RL := [T[1]T[3] + T[2]^3, T[3]T[4] + T[1]]; \\ & RL := [T[1]T[3] + T[2]^3, T[3]T[4] + T[1]]; \\ > TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]]; \\ & TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]]; \\ & TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]]; \\ \end{split}$$

true

**Procedure A.1.21** (AGHisalmostfree). Implements Algorithm 2.1.32.

Procedure A.1.22 (AGHsection). Implements Algorithm 2.1.34.

Input: a surjective AGH  $Q = (G_1, G_2, A)$  or a surjective matrix.

*Output:* a pair  $[b, \psi]$ . If the algorithm found a section, then b is true and  $\psi$  a section. Otherwise, b is false and  $\varphi = []$ . In the first case,  $\psi$  is given as AGH  $\psi: G_2 \to G_1$ .

Example: > Q := createAGH(createAG(1), createAG(0,[2]), linalg[matrix]([[1]]));

$$Q := AGH([1, []], [0, [2]])$$

> AGHsection(Q);# no homomorphism  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}$  exists:

[false, []]

> P := linalg[matrix]([[1,0,1],[0,2,1]]);

 $P := \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right]$ 

> S := AGHsection(P); AGHdata(S[2]);

$$S := [true, AGH([2, []], [3, []])]$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} AG(2, []), AG(3, []), \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Procedure A.1.23** (AGHP2Q). Implements Algorithm 2.1.24.

Input: an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P. Output: an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  such that  $K \cong \mathbb{Z}^r / \text{Im}(P^*)$ . Options: 'nocheck': skip the test of Q being surjective.

Example: > P := linalg[matrix]([[1,0,2],[0,2,2]]);

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

> Q := AGHP2Q(P);

$$Q := AGH([3, []], [1, [2]])$$

> AGHdata(Q);

$$\left[AG(3,[]), AG(1,[2]), \left[\begin{array}{rrr} -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right]\right]$$

Procedure A.1.24 (AGHQ2P). Implements Algorithm 2.1.25.

Input: a surjective AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A).$ 

*Output:* a Gale dual matrix P for Q, i.e., P is dual to the inclusion  $\ker(Q) \to \mathbb{Z}^r$ . *Example:* > E := createAG(4); K := createAG(2, [2]);

$$E := AG(4, [])$$

$$K := AG(2, [2])$$
> B := linalg[matrix]([[1,0,1,0],[0,1,0,1],[1,1,0,0]]);  

$$B := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
> Q := createAGH(E, K, B);  

$$Q := AGH([4, []], [2, [2]])$$
> P := AGHQ2P(Q);  

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Procedure A.1.25 (AGHQ2Q0). Implements Algorithm 2.1.26. Input: a surjective AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A).$ *Output:* a matrix  $Q^0$  representing the projection  $\mathbb{Z}^r \to K/K^{\text{tor}}$ . *Example:* > E := createAG(4); K := createAG(2, [2]);

E := AG(4, [])K := AG(2, [2])> B := linalg[matrix]([[1,0,1,0],[0,1,0,1],[1,1,0,0]]);  $B := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$ > Q := createAGH(E, K, B); Q:=AGH([4,[]],[2,[2]])> QO := AGHQ2QO(Q); $Q0 := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$ 

# 2. Procedures on graded rings

In this section, we describe the implementation of algorithms that work on rings that are graded by a finitely generated abelian group (GRs). See mainly Section 2 of Chapter 2. Here is an overview:

- Creation on stored data: create a BUN (Procedure A.2.1), return the stored data of a BUN (Procedure A.2.2), create a GR (Procedure A.2.3), return the stored data of a GR (Procedure A.2.4).
- Grading: homogeneous components (Procedure A.2.5), dimension of a homogeneous component (Procedure A.2.6).
- GIT: GIT-fan (Procedure A.2.7), (H, 2)-maximal sets (Procedure A.2.8).
- Tropical algorithms: tropical variety for one equation (Procedure A.2.9), containment in the tropical variety (Procedure A.2.10).

**Procedure A.2.1** (createBUN). Constructor for the data type BUN. Represents a true  $\mathfrak{F}$ -bunch  $\Phi$  in  $K_{\mathbb{O}}$ .

*Input:* there are five types of input:

- A vector w ∈ Mov(Q<sup>0</sup>)° ⊆ K<sub>Q</sub> and a GR R = (G, Q, Q<sup>0</sup>, P, F<sub>s</sub>).
  A vector w ∈ Mov(Q<sup>0</sup>)° ⊆ K<sub>Q</sub>, a list of polynomials G ⊆ K[T<sub>1</sub>,...,T<sub>r</sub>], a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and an integral matrix  $Q^0$ .
- A list of cones  $[\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_s]$  in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}).$
- A list of cones  $[\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_s]$  in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , a list of polynomials  $G \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and an integral matrix  $Q^0$ .
- A list of cones  $[\vartheta_1, \ldots, \vartheta_s]$  in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

*Output:* a BUN  $\Phi$  in  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . The printed information is the number of stored cones. Depending on the input type,  $\Phi$  is given by

$$\Phi = \begin{cases} \left\{ Q^{0}(\gamma_{0}); \gamma_{0} \ \mathfrak{F}\text{-face}, w \in \left(Q^{0}(\gamma_{0})\right)^{\circ} \right\}, & \text{in case one or two,} \\ \left\{ Q^{0}(\gamma_{0}); \gamma_{0} \ \mathfrak{F}\text{-face}, \vartheta_{i}^{\circ} \subseteq \left(Q^{0}(\gamma_{0})\right)^{\circ} \text{ for some } i \right\}, & \text{in case three or four,} \\ \left\{ \vartheta_{1}, \dots, \vartheta_{s} \right\}, & \text{in case five.} \end{cases}$$

Options: 'nocheck': in cases four and five, do not check whether the cones satisfy  $\vartheta_i^{\circ} \cap \vartheta_j^{\circ} \neq \emptyset$ ; in cases one and two, do not check whether  $w \in \operatorname{Mov}(Q^0)^{\circ}$ .

*Example:* In the following example B1 to B4 all define the same BUN. Its cones are the elements of CL3; compare Procedure A.2.2. > RL := [T[1]\*T[2] + T[3]\*T[4] + T[5]<sup>2</sup>];  $RL := [T[1]T[2] + T[3]T[4] + T[5]^{2}]$ > TT := vars(5); TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5]]> Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[-2, 2, -1, 1, 0],[1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]);  $Q0 := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} -2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$ > w := [-1,2]; w := [-1, 2]> R := createGR(RL, TT, [Q0]); R := GR(5, 1, [2, []])> B1 := createBUN(w, R); B1 := BUN(5)> B2 := createBUN(w, RL, TT, Q0); B2 := BUN(5)> CL3 := [poshull([-2,1],[1,1]), poshull([-2,1],[2,1]), poshull([2,1],[-1,1]), poshull([-1,1],[1,1]), poshull([-2,1],[1,1])]; CL3 := [CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2), CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2), CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2),CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2), CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2)]> B3 := createBUN(CL3); B3 := BUN(5)> CL4 := [poshull([-1,1],[1,1])]; CL4 := [CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2)]> B4 := createBUN(CL4, RL, TT, Q0); B4 := BUN(5)

**Procedure A.2.2** (BUNdata). Returns the data stored in a given BUN  $\Phi$ . *Input:* a BUN

Procedure A.2.3 (createGR). Constructor for the data type GR.

Input: there are multiple ways to use this function:

• a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a pair  $[Q, Q^0]$  with an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$  and a matrix  $Q^0$ , a matrix P.

- a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list [Q] with an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$ , a matrix P. Here,  $Q^0$  will be computed from Q using Algorithm 2.1.26.
- a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list  $[Q^0]$  with a matrix  $Q^0$ , a matrix P. The AGH  $Q := Q^0 \colon \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^n$  will be used.
- a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list [Q] with an AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$ . Both  $Q^0$  and P will be computed from Q using Algorithms 2.1.25 and 2.1.26.
- a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list  $[Q^0]$  with a matrix  $Q^0$ . Here,  $Q := Q^0 : \mathbb{Z}^r \to \mathbb{Z}^n$  will be used and P will be computed from Q using Algorithm 2.1.25.
- a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list [Q] with an AGH  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$ . Here, both  $Q^0$  and P will be computed from Q using Algorithms 2.1.25 and 2.1.26.
- a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a matrix P. Both Q and  $Q^0$  will be computed from P using Algorithms 2.1.24 and 2.1.26.
- An integral matrices P and A as in Construction 1.5.11. The procedure then returns the graded ring R(P, A), see 1.5.3.

In each case, we require Q to be surjective, P to be of full rank, the grading of  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  given by  $\deg(T_i) = Q(e_i)$  to be almost free and all  $f_i$  must be K-homogeneous. Moreover, all variables must be K-prime,  $P(Q^0)^t = 0$  and  $K \cong \mathbb{Z}^r / \operatorname{Im}(P^*)$ .

*Output:* a GR  $R = (\{f_1, \ldots, f_s\}, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ . Then R represents the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/I$  with the ideal  $I = \langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$  and degree map  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$ . It fixes matrices  $P, Q^0$  such that  $K \cong \mathbb{Z}^r/\operatorname{Im}(P^*)$  and the matrix  $Q^0$  represents the projection  $\mathbb{Z}^r \to K/K^{\operatorname{tor}}$ . See Chapter 2 for details.

Internally, the list of all  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces is stored unless the option 'noffaces' was given. The printed information is the number of variables, the number s of generators for the ideal of relations and information about the AG K.

**Options:** 

- 'nocheck': skips tests for the parameters.
- 'noffaces': postpones the computation and storage of F-faces.
- 'Singular': use the software Singular for the computations of  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces; this only possible on UNIX-based machines where Singular is available on the command line. Writes temporary files to the current directory.

Example: > RL := [T[1]\*T[6] + T[2]\*T[5] + T[3]\*T[4] + T[7]\*T[8]];

RL := [T[1]T[6] + T[2]T[5] + T[3]T[4] + T[7]T[8]]

$$TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5], T[6], T[7], T[8]]$$

> A := linalg[matrix] ([[1,1,0,0,-1,-1,2,-2], [0,1,1,-1,-1,0,1,-1], [1,1,1,1,1,1,1], [1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0]]);  $A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ > F := createAG(8); K := createAG(3, [2]); F := AG(8, [])

K := AG(3, [2])

> Q := createAGH(F, K, A);

$$Q := AGH([8, []], [3, [2]])$$

> Q0 := linalg[delrows](A, 4..4);

> P := AGHQ2P(Q);

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 4 & -2 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

> R1 := createGR(RL, TT, [Q, Q0], P);

$$R1 := GR(8, 1, [3, [2]])$$

The printed information means that R1 represents  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_8]/I$  with I generated by a single polynomial and the grading group K is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}^3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . The function GRdata in Procedure A.2.4 shows all stored information. We enter another example with a free grading group:

> RL := 
$$[T[1]^2 + T[2]^2 - T[3]*T[4]];$$
  
 $RL := [T[1]^2 + T[2]^2 - T[3]T[4]]$   
> TT := vars(4);  
 $TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]]$   
> Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[0,0,-1, 1], [1,1, 1, 1]]);  
 $Q0 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
> R2 := createGR(RL, TT, [Q0], 'Singular');

R2 := GR(4, 1, [2, []])

In the next example, we enter a toric variety:
> RL := []; TT := vars(4);

$$RL := []$$
  

$$TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]]$$
  
> P := linalg[matrix]([[-1,1,0,1], [-1,0,1,1]]);  

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

> R3 := createGR(RL, TT, P);

$$R3 := GR(4, 0, [2, []])$$

We now enter a  $\mathbb{K}^*$ -surface with  $\mathbb{Z}^4$ -graded Cox ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_6]/\langle T_1T_2 + T_3T_4 + T_5T_6 \rangle$  by providing its *P*-matrix and a list *A* of integers:

> P := matrix([[-1,-1,1,1,0,0], [-1,-1,0,0,1,1]]);

$$P := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrrr} -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

> A := [[1,0],[1,1],[0,1]];

A:=[[1,0],[1,1],[0,1]]

> R := createGR(P, A);

R := GR(6, 1, [4, []])

**Procedure A.2.4** (GRdata). Returns the stored information on the given GR R.

Input: a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  with AGH  $Q = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K, A)$ .

*Output:* a list  $[G, [T_1, \ldots, T_r], [Q, Q^0], P, F]$  with a list G of K-homogeneous polynomials in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , integral matrices  $Q^0$  and P as well as a list of all  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces F such that

$$R = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r] / \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$$

the matrix P is dual to the inclusion  $\ker(Q) \to \mathbb{Z}^r$  and  $Q^0$  is a matrix describing the projection  $\mathbb{Z}^r \to K/K^{\text{tor}}$ . Moreover, Q is surjective and the grading given by  $\deg(T_i) = Q(e_i)$  is almost free.

*Example:* we enter the GR R2 of the example of Procedure A.2.3.

> GRdata(R2);

$$\left[ T[1]^2 + T[2]^2 - T[3]T[4] \right], [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]], \\ \left[ AGH([4, []], [2, []]), \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \right], \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ \left\{ \{\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{3\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{4\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\} \} \right]$$

Procedure A.2.5 (GRgradedcomp). Implements Algorithm 2.2.3.

*Input:* there are two possible input types:

- A graded ring  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and a vector  $w \in Q^0(\mathbb{Q}^r_{\geq 0})$ .
- A list  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  of polynomials  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a  $r \times k$  matrix  $Q^0$  and  $w \in Q^0(\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r)$  where the  $f_i$  are homogeneous with respect to the grading  $\deg(T_i) = Q^0(e_i)$ .

In both cases, the cone over the columns of  $Q^0$  must be pointed and  $Q^0$  must not contain zero-columns.

*Output:* a basis for the vector space  $\langle G \rangle_w$  as a list of polynomials.

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\begin{split} Example: > \text{RL} := [\text{T}[1]*\text{T}[2] + \text{T}[3]*\text{T}[4] + \text{T}[5]^2];\\ & RL := [T[1]T[2] + T[3]T[4] + T[5]^2] \\ > \text{TT} := \text{vars}(5);\\ & TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5]] \\ > \text{Q0} := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5]] \\ > \text{Q0} := \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ > \text{W} := [-1, 2];\\ & w := [-1, 2];\\ & w := [-1, 2];\\ & R := \text{createGR}(\text{RL}, \text{ TT}, [Q0]);\\ & R := GR(5, 1, [2, []]) \\ > \text{W} := [-1, 3];\\ & w := [-1, 3];\\ & C := [\text{Rgradedcomp}(\text{R}, \text{W});\\ & C := [T[1]T[2]T[3] + T[3]^2T[4] + T[3]T[5]^2] \end{split}
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**Procedure A.2.6** (GRgradedcompdim). Implements Algorithm 2.2.5. *Input:* there are two possible input types:

• A graded ring  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and a vector  $w \in Q^0(\mathbb{Q}^r_{\geq 0})$ .

• A list  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  of polynomials  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , a  $r \times k$  matrix  $Q^0$  and  $w \in Q^0(\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r)$  where the  $f_i$  are homogeneous with respect to the grading  $\deg(T_i) = Q^0(e_i)$ .

In both cases, the cone over the columns of  $Q^0$  must be pointed and  $Q^0$  must not contain zero-columns.

Output: the dimension of the vector space  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]_w / \langle G \rangle_w$ . Example: enter the GR R from the example of Procedure A.2.5. > w := [-1,3]; w := [-1,3]

> C := GRgradedcompdim(R, w);

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**Procedure A.2.7** (GRgitfan). Uses Algorithm 3.2.9 to compute the GIT-fan of the action of the torus  $H^0 := \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{K}[K^0]$  on  $X := \operatorname{Spec} R$ . This procedure is as in [70].

Input: a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}).$ 

*Output:* the GIT-fan  $\Lambda(X, H^0)$  given as a list of maximal CONEs.

Options: 'FAN': return a FAN instead of a list of its maximal CONEs.

*Example:* Consider the GR R1 as in the example of Procedure A.2.3:

> GRgitfan(R1, 'FAN');

Procedure A.2.8 (GRH2max). Implements Algorithm 3.3.4.

Input: a GR R or a MDS X.

*Output:* a list of BUNs. They correspond to the (H, 2)-maximal sets of X. *Example:* > Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[1,0,1,0], [0,1,0,1], [0,0,1,1]]);

$$Q0 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
> R := createGR([], vars(4), [Q0]);

R := GR(4, 0, [3, []])

> GRH2max(R);

$$\begin{split} & [BUN(1), BUN(1), BUN(1), BUN(1), BUN(1), BUN(1), BUN(1), \\ & BUN(1), BUN(3), BUN(3), BUN(3), BUN(3), BUN(3), BUN(3), \\ & BUN(3), BUN(3), BUN(3), BUN(3)] \end{split}$$

**Procedure A.2.9** (GRtrop). Implements Algorithm 2.2.7. Also works for arbitrary ideals if gfan [63] is available.

*Input:* There are three input possibilities:

- A GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}).$
- A MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}).$
- A list of polynomials  $G = [f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  and a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

In the first two cases, let P be the integral  $n \times r$  matrix dual to the degree matrix Q.

*Output:* a FAN in  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  with support  $P(\operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle))$  or a FAN in  $\mathbb{Q}^r$  with support  $\operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle)$  if the option 'F' was specified or the third input type was used.

**Options:** 

- 'F': return a FAN in  $\mathbb{Q}^r$  with support trop( $\langle G \rangle$ ).
- 'CONEs': return a list of CONEs instead of a FAN. These represent the maximal cones of the fan.
- 'gfan': if the software gfan is installed on a UNIX-based machine, then arbitrary ideals may be entered. Writes temporary files in the current directory.

Example: > RL := [T[1]\*T[2] + T[3]\*T[4] + T[5]^2];  $RL := [T[1]T[2] + T[3]T[4] + T[5]^2]$ > TT := vars(5); TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5]]> Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[-2, 2, -1, 1, 0],[1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]);  $Q0 := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} -2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$ > R := createGR(RL, TT, [Q0]); R := GR(5, 1, [2, []])> GRtrop(R); # after projection under  $P: \mathbb{Z}^5 \to \mathbb{Z}^3$ . FAN(3, 1, [0, 3, 0])> GRtrop(R, 'F', 'CONEs'); # in  $\mathbb{Q}^5$ . [CONE(5, 4, 3, 1, 1), CONE(5, 4, 3, 1, 1), CONE(5, 4, 3, 1, 1)]> RL := [T[2]^3 -3\*T[1]^2\*T[2]^3 + 1, T[2]+T[1]+T[1]\*T[2]^2 -1];  $RL := \left[ T[2]^3 - 3T[1]^2 T[2]^3 + 1, T[2] + T[1] + T[1]T[2]^2 - 1 \right]$ > TT := vars(2); TT := [T[1], T[2]]> F := GRtrop(RL, TT, 'gfan'); F := FAN(2, 1, [1, 0])

Procedure A.2.10 (GRtropcontains). Implements Algorithm 2.2.8.

*Input:* there are two input types:

- A GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  or a MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with P of size  $n \times r$ and a vector  $f \in \mathbb{Z}^r$ .
- A GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  or a MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with P of size  $n \times r$ and a vector  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

*Output:* true if  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v \subseteq P(\operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle))$  or if  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot f \subseteq \operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle)$  respectively. Returns *false* otherwise.

*Example:* enter the GR R from the example of Procedure A.2.9. > f := [0,0,0,-2,-1];

$$f := [0, 0, 0, -2, -1]$$

> GRtropcontains(R, f); #  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot f$  is contained in trop( $\langle G \rangle$ ).

true

> v := [0, -2, -1];

v := [0, -2, -1]

> GRtropcontains(R, v); #  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \cdot v$  is contained in  $P(\operatorname{trop}(\langle G \rangle))$ .

### 3. Procedures on Mori dream spaces

In this section, we describe an implementation of our algorithms that work on Mori dream spaces (MDS). The algorithms have been stated mainly in Section 3 of Chapter 2. The special case of complexity-one T-varieties will be treated in the next section. Here is an overview:

- *Creation and stored data:* create an MDS (Procedure A.3.1), return the stored data of an MDS (Procedure A.3.2).
- Orbit data: relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces (Procedure A.3.3), covering collection (Procedure A.3.4), toric ambient variety and completions (Procedure A.3.5).
- *Miscellanea:* Mori chamber decomposition (Procedure A.3.6), dimension (Procedure A.3.7), existence of points (Procedure A.3.8), irrelevant ideal (Procedure A.3.9), stratum (Procedure A.3.10), degree matrix (Procedure A.3.11), graph of exceptional curves (Procedure A.3.12).
- Cones of divisor classes: semiample cone (Procedure A.3.13), effective cone (Procedure A.3.14), moving cone (Procedure A.3.15).
- *Groups:* divisor class group (Procedure A.3.16), local divisor class groups (Procedure A.3.17), Picard group (Procedure A.3.18), Picard index (Procedure A.3.19).
- Complete intersection Cox rings: anticanonical divisor class (Procedure A.3.20), test for being (Q)-Gorenstein (Procedures A.3.21 and A.3.22), Gorenstein index (Procedure A.3.23), test for being Fano (Procedure A.3.24), intersection numbers (Procedure A.3.25).
- Singularities, further properties: test for being (Q-)factorial (Procedures A.3.26 and A.3.27), test for being quasismooth (Procedure A.3.28), test for being smooth (Procedure A.3.29), singularities (Procedure A.3.30), test for being (quasi-)projective (Procedure A.3.31 and A.3.32), test for being complete (Procedure A.3.33).

**Procedure A.3.1** (createMDS). Constructor for the data type MDS. Represents Mori dream spaces in terms of bunched rings.

*Input:* there are two types of input:

• A GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and a vector  $w \in K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . This input will return the result of createMDS with parameters R and the BUN

$$\Phi(w) = \left\{ Q^0(\gamma_0); \, \gamma_0 \text{ is an } \mathfrak{F}\text{-face and } w \in \left(Q^0(\gamma_0)\right)^{\circ} \right\}.$$

• a GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  and a BUN  $\Phi$  in  $K_{\mathbb{O}}$ .

 $Output: \ \ \, \mbox{``nocheck':} \ \, \mbox{do not perform checks.}$  Use this option if you know that the input is valid.

*Options:* the MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . The printed information of an MDS is the number of variables, the number of relations, its dimension and information about the grading group.

*Example:* We reenter the GR R, the BUN B1 and the vector w as in the example of Procedure A.2.1. Then X and Y describe the same Mori dream surface:

> RL := [T[1]\*T[2] + T[3]\*T[4] + T[5]<sup>2</sup>];

$$RL := [T[1]T[2] + T[3]T[4] + T[5]^2]$$

> TT := vars(5);

$$TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5]]$$

> Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[-2, 2, -1, 1, 0],[1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]);

$$Q0 := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} -2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

**Procedure A.3.2** (MDSdata). Returns the stored data of the given MDS. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .

*Output:* a list  $[R, \Phi]$  with a GR R and a BUN  $\Phi$ .

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1:

> MDSdata(X);

Procedure A.3.3 (MDSrlv). Implements Algorithm 2.3.5.

*Input:* there are three types of input:

- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .
- A BUN  $\Phi$ , a matrix  $Q^0$ , a list F of  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces.
- A BUN  $\Phi$ , a matrix  $Q^0$ , a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

*Output:* in the first case, the list  $\operatorname{rlv}(X)$  of all relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces is returned. In the second case, all  $\gamma_0 \in F$  such that  $Q^0(\gamma_0) \in \Phi$  is returned. In the third case, all  $\langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$ -faces  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$  such that  $Q^0(\gamma_0) \in \Phi$  are returned.

*Example:* consider the MDS X, the matrix Q0 and the BUN B as in Procedure A.3.1. Then the lists FFr1 to FFr3 coincide:

> FFr1 := MDSrlv(X);

$$\begin{split} FFr1 &:= [\{1,2,3,4,5\},\{2,3,4,5\},\{1,2,3,4\},\{3,4,5\},\{1,3,4,5\},\\ & \{1,2,4,5\},\{1,2,5\},\{1,2,3,5\},\{2,3\},\{1,4\}] \end{split}$$

Procedure A.3.4 (MDScov). Implements Algorithm 2.3.6.

*Input:* there are three types of input:

- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .
- A BUN  $\Phi$ , a matrix  $Q^0$ , a list of  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces F.
- A BUN  $\Phi$ , a matrix  $Q^0$ , a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

*Output:* in the first, second, third input case, the algorithm returns

- the list cov(X) of all minimal relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces.
- all  $\gamma_0 \in F$  such that  $Q^0(\gamma_0) \in \Phi$  and  $\gamma_0$  is minimal with this property.
- all  $\langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$ -faces  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$  such that  $Q^0(\gamma_0) \in \Phi$  and  $\gamma_0$  is minimal with this property.

*Example:* consider the MDS X, the matrix QO and the BUN B as in Procedure A.3.1. Compare also Procedure A.3.3.

Procedure A.3.5 (MDSambtorvar). Implements Algorithm 2.3.9.

Input: an MDS X.

Output: a FAN or a list of FANs if 'completions' was given.

**Options:** 

- 'completions': return a list of FANs representing all possible completions for projective X as in Algorithm 2.3.9.
- 'nocheck': do not test whether X is projective.
- 'CONEs': return lists of maximal cones, i.e., lists of CONEs, instead of FANs.

Example: consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1:
> Z := MDSambtorvar(X);

Z := FAN(3, 0, [0, 2, 2])

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> ZL := MDSambtorvar(X, 'completions');
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ZL := [FAN(3, 0, [0, 0, 6]), FAN(3, 0, [0, 0, 5]), FAN(3, 0, [0, 0, 6])]

> map(iscomplete, ZL); ZL[1] &>= Z; ZL[2] &>= Z; ZL[3] &>= Z;

[true, true, true]

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**Procedure A.3.6** (MDSchambers). Implements Algorithm 3.2.11 to compute the Mori chamber decomposition; compare also [70].

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}}).$ 

 $Output: \$  the Mori chamber decomposition as a list of maximal CONEs or a FAN if the option 'FAN' was used.

Options: 'FAN': return a FAN instead of a list of its maximal CONEs.

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1:

> MDSchambers(X, 'FAN');

FAN(3, 0, [0, 0, 37])

**Procedure A.3.7** (MDSdim). Implements Algorithm 2.3.4. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . *Output:* an integer  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that  $\dim(X) = d$ . *Example:* consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1: > MDSdim(X);

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**Procedure A.3.8** (MDSpointex). Implements Algorithm 2.3.8. *Input:* an MDS X and a vector  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$ . *Output:* true if  $z \in \widehat{X}$  and false otherwise. This means  $[z] \in X$ . *Example:* consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1: > z := [1,1,-1,1,0];

$$z := [1, 1, -1, 1, 0]$$

> MDSpointex(X, z);

true

Procedure A.3.9 (MDSirrel). Implements Algorithm 2.3.11.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .

*Output:* a list of generators  $g_1, \ldots, g_n \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  for the vanishing ideal of  $\overline{X} \setminus \widehat{X}$  in  $\mathbb{K}^r$ .

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1:

> MDSirrel(X);

 $\left[T[2]T[3], T[1]T[4], T[3]T[4]T[5], T[1]T[2]T[5], T[1]T[2] + T[3]T[4] + T[5]^2\right]$ 

Procedure A.3.10 (MDSstrat). Implements Algorithm 2.3.39.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . Optional: a relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}^r_{>0}$ .

*Output:* Depending on the input type:

- If a second parameter  $\gamma_0$  was given: computes a list of generators  $G_{\gamma_0} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  for the ideal  $I_{\gamma_0} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  of the stratum  $X(\gamma_0) \subseteq X$ . Returns the pair  $[G_{\gamma_0}, [T_1, \ldots, T_n]]$ .
- If no second parameter was given: generators  $G_{\gamma_0} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  for the ideals  $I_{\gamma_0} \subseteq \mathbb{K}[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  of all strata  $X(\gamma_0)$  are returned as a pair  $[L, [T_1, \ldots, T_n]]$  where the list L consists of all pairs  $[\gamma_0, G_{\gamma_0}]]$  with  $\gamma_0$  running through rlv(X).

Example: consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1:
> gam0 := {2, 3, 4, 5};

$$gam0:=\{2,3,4,5\}$$

> MDSstrat(X, gam0);

$$[T[2] + T[3]^2], [T[1], T[2], T[3]]$$

> MDSstrat(X);

 $\begin{bmatrix} [[3,4,5,[T[2] + T[3]^2]], [1,3,4,5,[T[2] + T[3]^2]], [1,2,4,5,[T[1] + T[3]^2]], \\ [1,2,5,[T[1] + T[3]^2]], [1,2,3,5,[T[1] + T[3]^2]], [1,2,3,4,5,[T[1] + T[2] + T[3]^2]], \\ [2,3,4,5,[T[2] + T[3]^2]], [2,3,[]], [1,4,[]], [1,2,3,4,[T[1] + T[2]]] \end{bmatrix}, [T[1], T[2], T[3]] \end{bmatrix}$
**Procedure A.3.11** (MDSdegmat). This is a special version of Procedure A.1.23. First, A.1.23 will be applied to the *P*-matrix of the given MDS X to obtain an AGH  $Q' = (\mathbb{Z}^r, K', A)$  where

$$Q': \mathbb{Z}^r \to K', \qquad K' := \mathbb{Z}^d \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \mathbb{Z}/a_i \mathbb{Z}$$

and the columns of A represent the degrees  $\deg(T_i) \in K'$ . Afterwards, A is returned together with the integers  $a_1, \ldots, a_k$ .

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  or a GR R where  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .

*Output:* a pair  $[A, [a_1, \ldots, a_k]]$  with an integral matrix A and  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The entries of the last k rows of A must be interpreted as elements of  $\mathbb{Z}/a_i\mathbb{Z}$ ; for this, Algorithm 2.1.24 is used.

Example: > A := linalg[matrix]([[ 1, 0, 1], [ 1, 1, 0]]);

$$A := \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

> Q := createAGH(createAG(3), createAG(1, [3]), A);

Q := AGH([3, []], [1, [3]])

> R := createGR([], vars(3), [Q]);

$$R := GR(3, 0, [1, [3]])$$

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> X := createMDS(R, [1]);
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$$X := MDS(3, 0, 2, [1, [3]])$$

> MDSdegmat(X); # the last row must be interpreted as elements of  $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ .

 $\left[ \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right], [3] \right]$ 

Procedure A.3.12 (MDSintersgraph). Implements Algorithm 2.3.27.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of dimension two.

*Output:* the graph of exceptional curves  $G_X$  (without intersection numbers).

*Options:* 'latex': prints LATEX code to draw  $G_X$ . Gray vertices stand for negative curves and black vertices for negative curves which are incident with at least three other curves. Also, the non-negative curves among the  $V(X; T_i)$  are drawn in white.

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1:

> G := MDSintersgraph(X); # also draws a representation of the graph.

$$G := G$$

> networks[vertices](G); # shows the names of all vertices of G.

$$\{"T1", "T2"\}$$

> networks[edges]("T1", "T2", G); # there is an edge between the vertices representing  $V(T_1)$  and  $V(T_2)$ 

 $\{e1\}$ 

> MDSintersgraph(X, 'latex'); # prints code for  $G_X$ 



**Procedure A.3.13** (MDSsample). Implements Algorithm 2.3.15. *Input:* an MDS X. *Output:* the CONE SAmple(X) in the vector space  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . *Example:* consider the MDS X defined in Procedure A.3.1: > c := MDSsample(X); rays(c); c := CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2)

[[1,1],[-1,1]] **Procedure A.3.14** (MDSeff). Implements Algorithm 2.3.13.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . Output: the CONE Eff(X) in the vector space  $K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . Example: consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1: > c := MDSeff(X); rays(c);

CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2)[[-2, 1], [2, 1]]

Procedure A.3.15 (MDSmov). Implements Algorithm 2.3.14.

*Input:* there are three input possibilities:

- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ .
- A GR R where the matrix  $Q^0$  has columns  $q_1, \ldots, q_r \in K_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .
- An integral matrix with columns  $q_1, \ldots, q_r$ .

*Output:* the CONE  $Mov(X) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}$  or, for the other input types, the CONE

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{r} \operatorname{cone}(q_j; \ j \neq i) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

Example: consider the MDS X and the matrix Q<sup>0</sup> in the example of Procedure A.3.1:
> c1 := MDSmov(X); rays(c1);

c1 := CONE(2,2,0,2,2) [[-1,1],[1,1]] > c2 := MDSmov(Q0); c1 &= c2; c2 := CONE(2,2,0,2,2) true

**Procedure A.3.16** (MDSclassgrp). Returns the divisor class group. *Input:* an MDS X.

Output: an AG representing the class group Cl(X).
Example: consider the MDS X defined in Procedure A.3.1:
> MDSclassgrp(X);

AG(2, [])

**Procedure A.3.17** (MDSlocclassgrp). Implements Algorithm 2.3.18. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  and a point  $x \in X$  which is given either in Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  or as a relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$  such that  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$ .

*Output:* an AG representing the local class group Cl(X, x).

*Example:* we computationally verify part of [5, Ex. III.3.3.5]: > RL := [T[1]\*T[2] + T[3]<sup>2</sup> + T[4]\*T[5]];  $RL := [T[1]T[2] + T[3]^2 + T[4]T[5]]$ > TT := vars(5); TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5]]> Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[1, -1, 0, -1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0, 2]]);  $Q0 := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right]$ > R := createGR(RL, TT, [Q0]); R := GR(5, 1, [2, []])> w := [0,3];w := [0, 3]> Y := createMDS(R, w); Y := MDS(5, 1, 2, [2, []])> x0 := [0,1,0,0,1]; # Cox coordinates for a point in  $X(cone(e_2,e_5))$ . x0 := [0, 1, 0, 0, 1]> MDSlocclassgrp(Y, x0); # will be  $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ . AG(0, [3])> gam123 := {1,2,3};  $gam123 := \{1, 2, 3\}$ > MDSlocclassgrp(Y, gam123); # will be the trivial group: AG(0, [])

Procedure A.3.18 (MDSpic). Implements Algorithm 2.3.20.
Input: an MDS X.
Output: the AG Pic(X) as a subgroup of Cl(X).
Example: consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1:
> Pic := MDSpic(X); AGdata(Pic);

$$Pic := AG(2, [])$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, 2, [] \end{bmatrix}$$

Procedure A.3.19 (MDSpicind). Implements Algorithm 2.3.21.
Input: an MDS X.
Output: the Picard index [Cl(X) : Pic(X)].
Example: consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1:
> MDSpicind(X);

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**Procedure A.3.20** (MDSantican). Implements Algorithm 2.3.41. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  such that R is a complete intersection. *Output:* a vector  $w \in \mathbb{Z}^r$ . If K = (U, L) is the grading group then the anticanonical divisor class  $-w_X^{\text{can}} \in K$  satisfies  $-w_X^{\text{can}} = w + \lim_{\mathbb{Z}} (L)$ . *Example:* consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1: A. PROCEDURES OF THE MDSPACKAGE

> MDSantican(X); # represents an element of  $K = \mathbb{Z}^2$ :

[0, 3]

Procedure A.3.21 (MDSisgorenstein). Implements Algorithm 2.3.44.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  such that R is a complete intersection.

Output: true if X is Gorenstein and false otherwise.

*Example:* let Y be as in the example of Procedure A.3.17. We computationally verify part of [5, Ex. III.3.3.5]:

> MDSisgorenstein(Y);

true

**Procedure A.3.22** (MDSisQgorenstein). Implements Algorithm 2.3.43.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  such that R is a complete intersection.

Output: true if X is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein and false otherwise.

*Example:* let Y be as in the example of Procedure A.3.17. We computationally verify part of [5, Ex. III.3.3.5]:

> MDSisQgorenstein(Y); # since  $(0,5) - (0,2) \in Q(\operatorname{cone}(e_2,e_5))$ :

true

Procedure A.3.23 (MDSgorensteinind). Implements Algorithm 2.3.45.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  such that R is a complete intersection.

*Output:* true if X is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein and false otherwise.

*Example:* let Y be as in the example of Procedure A.3.17. We computationally verify part of [5, Ex. III.3.3.5].

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> MDSgorensteinind(Y); # Y is Gorenstein:

Procedure A.3.24 (MDSisfano). Implements Algorithm 2.3.46.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  such that R is a complete intersection.

*Output:* true if X is Fano and false otherwise.

*Example:* let Y be as in the example of Procedure A.3.17. We computationally verify part of [5, Ex. III.3.3.5]:

> MDSisfano(Y); # since  $(0,5) - (0,2) \in \vartheta^{\circ}$  for each  $\vartheta \in \Phi$ :

true

Procedure A.3.25 (MDSintersno). Implements Algorithm 2.3.48.

Input: a quasiprojective MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  with R having a principal ideal of relations and two elements  $w, w' \in K$ .

*Output:* the intersection number  $D \cdot D' \in \mathbb{Q}$  where D, D' are divisors on X with classes [D] = w and [D'] = w'.

*Options:* 'allself': return the list of all  $V(X; T_i)^2$ .

*Example:* let Y be as in the example of Procedure A.3.17. We computationally verify [5, Ex. III.3.3.5]:

> w := -MDSantican(Y);

w := [0, -3]

> n := MDSintersno(Y, w, w); # the self-intersection number  $(w_Y^{\text{can}})^2$ n:=6

Procedure A.3.26 (MDSisfact). Implements Algorithm 2.3.30.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . Optional second parameter: a point  $x \in X$  given in Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  or as a relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r$  such that  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$ .

*Output:* if only X was given: *true* if X is factorial and *false* otherwise. If a point  $x \in X$  was given: *true* if  $x \in X$  is factorial and *false* otherwise.

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1:

> MDSisfact(X); # since  $Q(\lim_{\mathbb{Z}}(\operatorname{cone}(e_1, e_2, e_5) \cap \mathbb{Z}^8)) \neq \mathbb{Z}^2$ :

false

> gam0 := {1,2,5};

 $gam0 := \{1, 2, 5\}$ 

> MDSisfact(X, gam0); # no point  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$  is factorial: false

> MDSisfact(X, [-1,1,0,0,1]); # the point  $[-1,1,0,0,1] \in X$  is not factorial: false

Procedure A.3.27 (MDSisQfact). Implements Algorithm 2.3.31.

Input: an MDS X = (R, Φ).
Output: true if X is Q-factorial and false otherwise.
Example: consider the MDS X as defined in Procedure A.3.1:
MDSisQfact(X); # all cones of Φ are full-dimensional.

true

Procedure A.3.28 (MDSisquasismooth). Implements Algorithm 2.3.23.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . Optional second parameter: a point  $x \in X$  given in Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  or as a relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r$  such that  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$ .

*Output:* if only X was given: *true* if  $\hat{X}$  is smooth and *false* otherwise. If also a point  $x \in X$  was given, *true* if  $x \in \hat{X}^{reg}$  and *false* otherwise.

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1:

> MDSisquasismooth(X); #  $\widehat{X}$  is smooth since  $\overline{X}^{sing} = \{0\}$  in  $\mathbb{K}^5$ :

true

> MDSisquasismooth(X, {2,3}); # this means  $\overline{X(\operatorname{cone}(e_2, e_3))} \cap \widehat{X}$  is smooth. true

> MDSisquasismooth(X, [-2,1,1,1,1]); #  $(-2,1,1,1,1) \in \widehat{X}$  is smooth. true

Procedure A.3.29 (MDSissmooth). Implements Algorithm 2.3.24.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . Optional second parameter: a point  $x \in X$  given in Cox coordinates  $z \in \mathbb{K}^r$  or as a relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -face  $\gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}^r_{\geq 0}$  such that  $x \in X(\gamma_0)$ .

*Output:* if only X was given: *true* if X is smooth and *false* otherwise. If a point  $x \in X$  was given, *true* if  $x \in X$  is smooth and *false* otherwise.

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1:

> MDSissmooth(X); #  $\hat{X}$  is smooth, the toric ambient variety is singular:

false

> MDSissmooth(X,  $\{2,3\}$ ); # the stratum  $X(\operatorname{cone}(e_2, e_3))$  is singular:

false

> MDSissmooth(X, [-2,1,1,1,1]); # the point  $[-2,1,1,1,1] \in X$  is smooth: true

Procedure A.3.30 (MDSsing). Implements Algorithm 2.3.25.

Input: an MDS X.

*Output:* a list of lists  $[[J, [T_1, \ldots, T_r]], F]$  where

- J is a list of polynomials in  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that the vanishing set  $V(J) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^r$  equals  $\overline{X}^{sing}$ ,
- F is a list of all relevant  $\mathfrak{F}$ -faces such that  $X(\gamma_0)$  is singular.

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\begin{split} Example: \ > \ \mathsf{RL} \ := \ \begin{bmatrix} 2*\mathsf{T}[1]^3*\mathsf{T}[2]^2 + \mathsf{T}[3]^3*\mathsf{T}[4]^2 + \mathsf{T}[5]^3*\mathsf{T}[6]^2 \end{bmatrix}; \\ RL := \begin{bmatrix} 2T[1]^3T[2]^2 + T[3]^3T[4]^2 + T[5]^3T[6]^2 \end{bmatrix} \end{split}
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> TT := vars(6);

TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5], T[6]] Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[ 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1 ], [ 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0 ]]);  $Q0 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  R := createGR(RL, TT, [Q0]); R := GR(6, 1, [2, []]) Y := createMDS(R, [2,3]); Y := MDS(6, 1, 3, [2, []])  $MDSsing(Y); \text{ # both } \overline{X} \text{ and } \widehat{X} \text{ are singular}$   $\begin{bmatrix} [[6T[1]^2T[2]^2, 4T[1]^3T[2], 3T[3]^2T[4]^2, 2T[3]^3T[4], 3T[5]^2T[6]^2, 2T[5]^3T[6], 2T[1]^3T[2]^2 + T[3]^3T[4]^2 + T[5]^3T[6]^2], [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5], T[6]] \end{bmatrix},$   $[\{1, 6\}, \{3, 6\}, \{1, 3, 6\}, \{2, 3, 6\}, \{1, 4, 6\}, \{2, 5\}, \{2, 3, 5\}, \{4, 5\}, \{1, 4, 5\}, \{2, 4, 5\}, \{2, 3, 5\}, \{4, 5\}, \{1, 4, 5\}, \{2, 4, 5\}, \{2, 3, 5\}, \{1, 4\} \end{bmatrix}$ 

**Procedure A.3.31** (MDSisquasiproj). Implements Algorithm 2.3.35. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$ . *Output:* true if X is quasiprojective and false otherwise. *Example:* consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1: > MDSisquasiproj(X); #  $\Phi$  was defined by a vector  $w \in K_{\Theta}$ :

true

Procedure A.3.32 (MDSisproj). Implements Algorithm 2.3.36.
Input: an MDS X.
Output: true if X is projective and false otherwise.
Example: consider the MDS X as in the example of Procedure A.3.1:
> MDSisproj(X); # X is quasiprojective and the grading is pointed

**Procedure A.3.33** (MDSiscomplete). Implements Algorithm 2.3.33. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where the ideal of relations of R is principal. *Output: true* if X is complete and *false* otherwise.

*Example:* consider the MDS X as in Procedure A.3.1:

> MDSiscomplete(X); #  $|\Sigma| \supseteq \operatorname{trop}(f)$  where  $Z_{\Sigma}$  is as in Construction 1.3.12. true

## 4. Procedures on complexity-one T-varieties

In this section, we describe our implementation of algorithms for complexity-one T-varieties. See Section 4 of Chapter 2 for the algorithms. Here is an overview:

- Automorphisms: horizontal and vertical Demazure *P*-roots (Procedure A.4.1 and A.4.2), roots of  $Aut(X)^0$  (Procedure A.4.3).
- *Singularities:* resolution of singularities (Procedure A.4.4).
- Anticanonical complex: anticanonical polytope (Procedure A.4.5), anticanonical complex (Procedure A.4.6), test for being ( $\epsilon$ -log-) terminal (Procedures A.4.7 and A.4.8).

In this section, we call an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  or also its GR R of complexity one if X is a complexity-one T-variety with Cox ring R = R(P, A) as in Construction 1.5.3. This means the GR R was obtained by a call to Procedure A.2.3 with input P and A.

Procedure A.4.1 (MDShdemazure). Implements Algorithm 2.4.2.

*Input:* there are three input types:

- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one.
- A GR R of complexity one.
- Integral matrices P and A as in Construction 1.5.2. If instead of A the number of blocks of P is given, the procedure chooses A.

In the first two cases, we require that  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  has been entered as createGR(P,A).

*Output:* a list of all horizontal Demazure *P*-roots of R = R(P, A).

*Example:* we computationally verify [6, Ex. 5.3]:

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 3 & 0\\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 2\\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

> A := [[0,1],[-1,-1],[1,0]];

$$A := [[0, 1], [-1, -1], [1, 0]];$$

> R := createGR(P, A);

R := GR(4, 1, [1, []])

> HDEM := MDShdemazure(R);

$$HDEM:=[[[[-1,-2,3]],2,3,[1,1,1]]]$$

Let us consider another example and input type: > P := cols2matrix([[-1,-1,-1],[-3,-3,-2],[2,0,1],[0,1,1], [0,0,1],[0,0,-1]]);

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

> HDEM := MDShdemazure(P, 3); # there are three blocks in P; no horizontal Demazure P-root exists:

HDEM := [[[], 1, 2, [1, 1, 1]], [[], 1, 2, [2, 1, 1]], [[], 2, 3, [1, 1, 1]]]

Procedure A.4.2 (MDSvdemazure). Implements Algorithm 2.4.1.

*Input:* there are three input types:

- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one.
- A GR R of complexity one.
- Integral matrices P and A as in Construction 1.5.2. If instead of A the number of blocks of P is given, the procedure chooses A.

In the first two cases, we require that  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  has been entered as createGR(P,A).

*Output:* a list of all vertical Demazure *P*-roots of R = R(P, A).

*Example:* as in Procedure A.4.1, we continue the verification [6, Ex. 5.3]:

> P := cols2matrix([[-1,-1,-1],[-3,-3,-2],[3,0,1],[0,2,1]]);

$$P := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrrr} -1 & -3 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

> A := [[0,1],[-1,-1],[1,0]];

$$A:=[[0,1],[-1,-1],[1,0]];\\$$

> R := createGR(P, A);

$$R := GR(4, 1, [1, []])$$

> VDEM := MDSvdemazure(R); # There are no vertical P-roots:

$$VDEM := [[[], 0]]$$

In the next example there are vertical P-roots. Note that we use another input type:

> P := cols2matrix([[-1,-1,-1],[-3,-3,-2],[2,0,1],[0,1,1], [0,0,1],[0,0,-1]]);

$$P := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrrr} -1 & -3 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

> VDEM := MDSvdemazure(P, 3); # there are three blocks in P; (v, 2) with v = (0, -1, 1) is the only vertical Demazure P-root:

$$VDEM := [[[], 1], [[[0, -1, 1]], 2]]$$

Procedure A.4.3 (MDSautroots). Implements Algorithm 2.4.6.

*Input:* there are two input types:

- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one.
- A GR *R* of complexity one.

In both cases, the GR  $R = (G, Q, Q^0, P, F_{\mathfrak{F}})$  must have been obtained from Procedure A.2.3 as createGR(P,A).

*Output:* the roots of the unit component  $\operatorname{Aut}(X)^0$  as a set of integral vectors. These are the *P*-roots of *X*.

*Example:* we verify Example 2.4.7:

> P := cols2matrix([[-2,-2,-1,-1], [1,0,0,0], [1,0,1,0], [0,1,0,1], [0,1,0,0]]);

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Procedure A.4.4 (MDSresolvesing). Implements Algorithm 2.4.8.

*Input:* there are two input types:

- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one, i.e., R = R(P, A) has been entered as createGR(P,A).
- An MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  where the ideal of relations of R is principal.

*Output:* a pair  $Y = (R', \Phi')$ . If X is of complexity one or if in the second case the 'verify'-tests succeeded, Y is a smooth MDS such that  $Y \to X$  is a resolution of singularities.

**Options:** 

- 'verify': tries to verify that Y is a smooth MDS; this is not needed if X is of complexity one.
- 'minimal': compute a minimal resolution if X is a surface.
- 'noffaces': skip the computation of  $\mathfrak{F} ext{-faces}.$
- 'noMDS': do not return a data type MDS but only a list of generators for the defining ideal, a list of variables and the new matrix P'; this usually is much quicker.

*Example:* we algorithmically verify [5, Ex. III.4.4.10]:

> A := [[0,1],[-1,-1],[1,0]];

$$A := [[0,1], [-1,-1], [1,0]];$$

$$P := linalg[matrix] ([[-3,-1,3,0], [-3,-1,0,2], [-2,-1,1,1]]);$$

$$P := \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ -3 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R := createGR(P, A); GRdata(R);$$

$$R := GR(4,1,[1,[]])$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} [T[4]^2 + T[3]^3 + T[1]T[2]], [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]], [AGH([4, []], [1, []]), [1 & 3 & 2 & 3], \\ -3 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ -3 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, [\{\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\}] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w := relint(MDSmov(R));$$

$$w := [1]$$

$$X := createMDS(R, w);$$

$$X := MDS(4, 1, 2, [1, []])$$

$$Y := MDSresolvesing(X, 'noffaces');$$

$$Y := MDS(13, 1, 2, [10, []])$$

$$GRdata(MDSdata(Y)[1])[1]; # print the defining equation:$$

 $\left[T[5]T[8]^{3}T[10]T[11]^{2} + T[2]T[4]^{2}T[6]T[9]^{3} + T[7]T[12]^{2}T[13]\right]$ 

**Procedure A.4.5** (MDSanticanpoly). Implements Algorithm 2.4.13. *Input:* an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one, i.e., R = R(P, A) has been entered as createGR(P,A). *Output:* the anticanonical polytope  $A_X$ . *Example:* we enter the  $E_6$ -singular cubic, see [61, Ex. 7.3]: > P := cols2matrix([[-3,-3,-2],[-1,-1,-1],[2,0,1],[0,3,1]]);  $P := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} -3 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$ > A := [[-1,-1],[1,0],[0,1]] A:=[[-1,-1],[1,0],[0,1]]> R := createGR(P, A); R := GR(4, 1, [1, []])> X := createMDS(R, relint(MDSmov(R))); X := MDS(4, 1, 2, [1, []])> AX := MDSanticanpoly(X); AX := POLYTOPE(3, 3, 6, 8)> vertices(AX); [[-3, -3, -2], [-1, -1, -1], [2, 0, 1], [0, 3, 1], [0, 0, -1/5], [0, 0, 1]]

## Procedure A.4.6 (MDSanticancomp). Implements Algorithm 2.4.14.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one, i.e., R = R(P, A) has been entered as createGR(P,A).

*Output:* the anticanonical complex  $\mathcal{A}_X$  of X.

Example: enter the example of Procedure A.4.5. Then:

> AXC := MDSanticancomp(X); AXC := PCOMPLEX(3, [0, 0, 7, 0])> vertices(AXC);  $\{[0, 0, -1/5], [0, 0, 0], [-3, -3, -2], [-1, -1, -1], [2, 0, 1], [0, 3, 1], [0, 0, 1]\}$ 

**Procedure A.4.7** (MDSisterminal). Implements Algorithm 2.4.16.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one, i.e., R = R(P, A) has been entered as createGR(P,A).

Output: true if X is terminal and false otherwise.

*Example:* enter the example of Procedure A.4.5. Then:

> MDSisterminal(X);

false

**Procedure A.4.8** (MDSisepslogterminal). Implements Algorithm 2.4.15.

Input: an MDS  $X = (R, \Phi)$  of complexity one, i.e., R = R(P, A) has been entered as createGR(P,A) and a rational number  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$ .

*Output:* true if X is  $\varepsilon$ -log-terminal (for  $\varepsilon < 1$ ) and false otherwise.

*Example:* we continue the example of Procedure A.4.5:

> MDSisepslogterminal(X, 1/2);

true

### 5. MISCELLANEA

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This section contains information on several procedures that do not fit into one of the previous categories. Most of them have been described throughout Chapter 2. Here is an overview:

- Algebraic operations: closure computation (Procedure A.5.1), primality test (Procedure A.5.2), prime variables (Procedure A.5.3).
- *Polyhedral operations:* dualize fans or bunches of cones (Procedures A.5.5 and A.5.4), fiber polyhedron (Procedure A.5.6), lattice points or interior points of a polytope (Procedure A.5.7).
- Modifying equations, etc.: \*-pullback (Procedure A.5.8), \*-pushforward (Procedure A.5.9), variables (Procedure A.5.10).

Procedure A.5.1 (closure). Implements Algorithm 2.2.14.

Input: a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  and a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

*Output:* a list  $[[g_1, \ldots, g_m], [T_1, \ldots, T_r]]$  such that  $g_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  and the closure  $V(\mathbb{T}^r; f_1, \ldots, f_s)$  in  $\mathbb{K}^r$  is given by  $V(\mathbb{K}^r; g_1, \ldots, g_s)$ .

$$\begin{split} & Example: > \texttt{RL} := [\texttt{T[1]} * \texttt{T[10]} - \texttt{T[3]} * \texttt{T[7]} + \texttt{T[4]} * \texttt{T[6]}, \texttt{T[1]} * \texttt{T[8]} - \texttt{T[2]} * \texttt{T[6]} \\ & + \texttt{T[3]} * \texttt{T[5]}, \texttt{T[1]} * \texttt{T[9]} - \texttt{T[2]} * \texttt{T[7]} + \texttt{T[4]} * \texttt{T[5]}; \end{split}$$

$$RL := [T_1T_{10} - T_3T_7 + T_4T_6, T_1T_8 - T_2T_6 + T_3T_5, T_1T_9 - T_2T_7 + T_4T_5]$$

TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5], T[6], T[7], T[8], T[9], T[10]]

> closure(RL, TT); # the affine cone over G(2,5).

 $\begin{bmatrix} [T_7T_8 - T_6T_9 + T_5T_{10}, T_4T_8 - T_3T_9 + T_2T_{10}, T_1T_{10} - T_3T_7 + T_4T_6, \\ T_1T_9 - T_2T_7 + T_4T_5, T_1T_8 - T_2T_6 + T_3T_5], \\ [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4], T[5], T[6], T[7], T[8], T[9], T[10]] \end{bmatrix}$ 

**Procedure A.5.2** (isprimeideal). Implements Algorithm 2.2.10 for the case of a free class group.

Input: a list  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  of polynomials and a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{Q}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

*Output:* true if the ideal  $\langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  is prime and false otherwise. Example: > RL := [T[1]^2 +1];

 $[T[1]^2 + 1]$ 

> isprimeideal(RL, vars(1)); # the ideal  $\langle T_1^2 + 1 \rangle \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}[T_1]$  is not prime: false

**Procedure A.5.3** (primevars). Successively applies Procedure A.5.2 to test whether  $T_i$  defines a prime element in  $R = \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]/\langle f_1, \ldots, f_s \rangle$ .

Input: a list  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$  of polynomials and a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  such that  $f_i \in \mathbb{Q}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ .

$$RL := [T[1]T[2] + T[2]T[3] + T[4]T[5]]$$

> primevars(RL, vars(5)); # In  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_5]/\langle T_1T_2 + T_2T_3 + T_4T_5 \rangle$  only  $T_1$  and  $T_3$  define prime elements:

**Procedure A.5.4** (w2fan). Consider a surjective integral  $k \times r$  matrix  $Q^0$  and a Gale dual matrix P of size  $n \times r$ . Let either a vector  $w \in \operatorname{cone}(Q^0)$  or a BUN  $\Phi$ in  $\mathbb{Q}^k$  for the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with grading deg $(T_i) := Q(e_i)$  be given. In  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  we have fans

$$\begin{split} \Sigma(w) &= \left\{ P(\gamma_0^*); \ \gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r \text{ and } w \in \left(Q^0(\gamma_0)\right)^\circ \right\}, \\ \Sigma(\Phi) &= \left\{ P(\gamma_0^*); \ \gamma_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r \text{ and } Q^0(\gamma_0) \in \Phi \right\}. \end{split}$$

*Input:* in the above notation, there are three input types:

- A vector w ∈ Q<sup>k</sup>, a matrix Q<sup>0</sup>, a matrix P.
  A CONE λ ⊆ Q<sup>k</sup>, a matrix Q<sup>0</sup>, a matrix P. Then w ∈ λ° will be chosen.
  A BUN Φ in Q<sup>k</sup>, a matrix Q<sup>0</sup>, a matrix P.

*Output:* a FAN  $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$ . For the first two input cases, we have  $\Sigma = \Sigma(w)$  whereas  $\Sigma = \Sigma(\Phi)$  holds for the third input case.

Options: 'CONEs': return a list of maximal CONEs instead of a FAN. Example: in the following example, the fans Sigw, Siglam and SigB coincide. > Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[-2, 2, -1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]);

$$Q0 := \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

> P := linalg[matrix]([[3, 1, -4, 0, 0], [2, 0, -3, 1, 0], [1, 0, -2, 0, 1]]);

$$P := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrrr} 3 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

> w := [-1,2];

$$w := [-1, 2]$$

> Sigw := w2fan(w, Q0, P); Sigw := FAN(3, 0, [0, 0, 6])> lam := poshull([-1,1],[0,1]); lam := CONE(2, 2, 0, 2, 2)> Siglam := w2fan(lam, Q0, P); Siglam := FAN(3, 0, [0, 0, 6])> B := createBUN(w, [], vars(5), Q0); B := BUN(8)> SigB := w2fan(B, Q0, P); SigB := FAN(3,0,[0,0,6])

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**Procedure A.5.5** (fan2w). Let  $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  be a fan and P an integral  $n \times r$  matrix such that the columns of P are pairwise different primitive generators for the rays of  $\Sigma$  and the columns of P generate  $\mathbb{Q}^n$  as a cone. Let  $Q^0$  be a matrix that describes the map  $\mathbb{Z}^r \to K^0$  that is dual to the inclusion ker $(P) \to \mathbb{Z}^r$ . In  $K^0_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , we have a BUN  $\Phi(\Sigma)$  in the ring  $\mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  that is graded by  $\deg(T_i) := Q(e_i)$  where

$$\Phi(\Sigma) = \{ Q(\delta_0^*); \ \delta_0 \preceq \mathbb{Q}_{>0}^r \text{ and } P(\delta_0) \in \Sigma \}$$

*Input:* a FAN  $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  as well as integral matrices P and  $Q^0$  as explained above. *Output:* the BUN  $\Phi(\Sigma)$  in  $K^0_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

*Options:* 'w': instead of a BUN return a vector  $w \in (\bigcap_{\vartheta} \vartheta)^{\circ}$  where  $\vartheta$  ranges over

the elements of  $\Phi(\Sigma)$ .

*Example:* consider the setting of the example of Procedure A.5.4.

$$B := BUN(8)$$

**Procedure A.5.6** (fiberpoly). Consider an integral surjective  $k \times r$  matrix  $Q^0$  and a vector w inside the cone over the columns of  $Q^0$ . The *fiber polyhedron* is

$$B_w := (Q^0)^{-1}(w) \cap \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}^r \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r.$$

*Input:* there are two input types:

- A matrix  $Q^0$  and a vector  $w \in \mathbb{Q}^k$ .
- A matrix  $Q^0$  and a CONE  $\lambda \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^k$ . Here,  $w \in \lambda^\circ$  will be chosen.

In both cases, a Gale dual matrix P of  $Q^0$  may be given as a third parameter. *Output:* the POLYHEDRON  $B_w \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$ . If a third parameter P was given then  $(P^*)^{-1}(B_w) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^n$  will be returned.

Example: > Q0 := linalg[matrix]([[-2, 2, -1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]);

$$Q0 := \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
> P := linalg[matrix]([[3, 1, -4, 0, 0], [2, 0, -3, 1, 0], [1, 0, -2, 0, 1]]);

$$P := \left[ \begin{array}{rrrrr} 3 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

> w := [-1,2];

$$w := [-1, 2]$$

```
Procedure A.5.7 (intpoints). Implements Algorithm 2.2.2.
```

Input: a POLYTOPE  $B \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^r$ .

*Output:* 'relint': return the list of elements of  $B^{\circ} \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$  instead of  $B \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$ . *Options:* a list of the elements of  $B \cap \mathbb{Z}^r$ .

Example: > B := cube(3);

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B := POLYTOPE(3, 3, 8, 6)
```

```
> intpoints(B);
```

```
\begin{split} & [[-1,-1,-1],[-1,-1,0],[-1,-1,1],[-1,0,-1],[-1,0,0],[-1,0,1],[-1,1,-1],\\ & [-1,1,0],[-1,1,1],[0,-1,-1],[0,-1,0],[0,-1,1],[0,0,-1],[0,0,0],[0,0,1],\\ & [0,1,-1],[0,1,0],[0,1,1],[1,-1,-1],[1,-1,0],[1,-1,1],[1,0,-1],[1,0,0],[1,0,1],\\ & [1,1,-1],[1,1,0],[1,1,1]] \end{split}
```

```
> intpoints(B, 'relint');
```

```
[[0, 0, 0]]
```



Procedure A.5.8 (pull). Implements Algorithm 2.2.12.

*Input:* there are two input types:

- A list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_n]$  with  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_n]$ , an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P.
- A polynomial  $f_1$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_n]$  with  $f_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_n]$ , an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P.

*Output:* a list  $[G, [T_1, \ldots, T_r]]$  where

- for the first input type,  $G = [p^* f_1, \dots, p^* f_s]$  with  $p^* f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]$ ,
- for the second input type,  $G = p^* f_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_r]$ .

```
Example: > f := T[1]*T[2] + 3*T[3]^2;
```

```
f := T[1]T[2] + 3T[3]^2
```

> TT := vars(3); TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3]]> P := linalg[matrix]([[1, 0, 3, 0], [0, 1, 0, 4], [1, 1, 1, 1]]);  $P := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ > pull(f, TT, P);  $\begin{bmatrix} T_1 T_3^3 T_2 T_4^4 + 3T_1^2 T_2^2 T_3^2 T_4^2, [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]] \end{bmatrix}$ 

```
> pull([T[1] + T[2], T[2] + T[3]], TT, P);

\left[[T_1T_3^3 + T_2T_4^4, T_2T_4^4 - 3T_1T_2T_3T_4], [T[1], T[2], T[3], T[4]]\right]
```

Procedure A.5.9 (push). Implements Algorithm 2.2.13.

*Input:* there are two input types:

- A list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with  $f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P of rank n.
- A polynomial  $f_1$ , a list of variables  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  with  $f_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$ , an integral  $n \times r$  matrix P of rank n.

We require the polynomials  $f_i$  to be K-homogeneous with respect to the  $K := \mathbb{Z}^r / \operatorname{Im}(P^*)$ -grading deg $(T_i) = Q(e_i)$  where  $Q : \mathbb{Z}^r \to K$  is as in Algorithm 2.1.24. *Output:* a list  $[G, [T_1, \ldots, T_n]]$  where

- for the first input case,  $G = [p_* f_1, \dots, p_* f_s]$  with  $p_* f_i \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_n]$ ,
- for the second input case,  $G = p_{\star} f_1 \in \mathbb{K}[T_1, \dots, T_n]$ .

 $\begin{aligned} Example: > \texttt{f1} := \texttt{T[1]} * \texttt{T[2]} + \texttt{T[3]} * \texttt{T[5]}; \\ f1 := T[1]T[2] + T[3]T[5] \\ > \texttt{f2} := \texttt{T[1]}^2 + \texttt{T[2]}^2 + \texttt{T[3]} * \texttt{T[4]} * \texttt{T[5]}^2; \\ f2 := T[1]^2 + T[2]^2 + T[3]T[4]T[5]^2 \end{aligned}$ 

Procedure A.5.10 (vars). Returns a list of variables.

Input: an integer  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$  or a list of polynomials  $[f_1, \ldots, f_s]$ .

*Output:* the list  $[T_1, \ldots, T_r]$  if an integer r was given; assumes that T has not yet been assigned. If a list of polynomials was given, then a list of all found variables is returned.

Example: > TT := vars(3);

TT := [T[1], T[2], T[3]]> TTf := vars([T[1]\*Y[3]^2 + 7\*S[2] + 1, -2\*S[1] - 9]); TTf := [S[1], T[1], S[2], Y[3]]

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