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ABSTRACT. Let \mathfrak{G} be a split reductive group, \mathbb{k} be a field and ϖ be an indeterminate. In order to study $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}])$ and $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{k}(\varpi))$, one can make them act on their twin building $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} \times \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}$, where \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} and \mathcal{I}_{\ominus} are related via a “codistance”.

Masures are generalizations of Bruhat–Tits buildings adapted to the study of Kac–Moody groups over valued fields. Motivated by the work of Dinakar Muthiah on Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials associated with Kac–Moody groups, we study the action of $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}])$ and $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{k}(\varpi))$ on their “twin measure”, when \mathfrak{G} is a split Kac–Moody group instead of a reductive group.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Context.

Split reductive groups over valued fields and Bruhat-Tits buildings. Let \mathfrak{G} be a split reductive group with maximal split torus \mathfrak{T} . Let \mathcal{K} be a field, $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ and $T = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K})$. If $\omega : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ is a nontrivial valuation of \mathcal{K} , one can construct a Bruhat-Tits building $\mathcal{I}_\omega = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega)$ on which G acts, and study G via its action on \mathcal{I}_ω . This building is a union of apartments, which are all translates by an element of G of a standard apartment \mathbb{A}_ω .

The action of G on \mathcal{I}_ω takes into account the valuation ω . More precisely, let Φ be the root system of (G, T) , which can be regarded as a subset of the dual \mathbb{A}_ω^* of the real vector space \mathbb{A}_ω . Then $G = \langle T, x_\alpha(u), \alpha \in \Phi, u \in \mathcal{K} \rangle$, where for each $\alpha \in \Phi$, $x_\alpha : (\mathcal{K}, +) \hookrightarrow (G, \cdot)$ is an algebraic group morphism. Let N be the normalizer of T in G . Then N is the stabilizer of \mathbb{A}_ω in G and T acts by translation on \mathbb{A}_ω . If $t \in T$, then t acts by translation on \mathbb{A}_ω by a vector depending on the values of $\omega(\chi(t))$, where χ runs over the characters of T . If $\alpha \in \Phi$ and $u \in \mathcal{K}$, $x_\alpha(u)$ fixes the half-apartment (or half-space) $\mathbb{A}_\omega \cap x_\alpha(u) \cdot \mathbb{A}_\omega = \{a \in \mathbb{A}_\omega \mid \alpha(a) + \omega(u) \geq 0\}$.

Twin building of $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}])$. Suppose now that $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$, where \mathbb{k} is a field and ϖ is an indeterminate. Let $\omega_\oplus, \omega_\ominus$ be the valuations on \mathcal{K} , trivial over \mathbb{k} and such that $\omega_\oplus(\varpi) = 1 = \omega_\ominus(\varpi^{-1})$. Let $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$. In order to study $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ and $G_{\mathcal{O}} = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O})$, it is natural to make them act on $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_\oplus \times \mathcal{I}_\ominus$, where $\mathcal{I}_\oplus = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_\oplus)$ and $\mathcal{I}_\ominus = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_\ominus)$. The buildings \mathcal{I}_\oplus and \mathcal{I}_\ominus are related by a $G_{\mathcal{O}}$ -invariant codistance

$d^* : \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{I}_\oplus) \times \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{I}_\ominus) \rightarrow W$, where $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{I}_\oplus), \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{I}_\ominus)$ are the sets of local chambers of \mathcal{I}_\oplus and \mathcal{I}_\ominus and W is the affine Weyl group of $\mathbb{A}_\oplus := \mathbb{A}_{\omega_\oplus}$ (which is isomorphic to the affine Weyl group of $\mathbb{A}_\ominus := \mathbb{A}_{\omega_\ominus}$). Equipped with this codistance, $\mathcal{I}_\oplus \times \mathcal{I}_\ominus$ is called a twin building (see [32] for the case of $\mathfrak{G} = \mathrm{SL}_2$ and [1] for a general study of twin buildings).

This codistance is also called a twinning and it is deduced from some Birkhoff decomposition in G . We may describe it slightly differently. Let C_∞ be the “fundamental local chamber of \mathbb{A}_\ominus ”, C_0^+ be the “fundamental local chamber” C_0^+ of \mathbb{A}_\oplus , I_∞ be the fixator of C_∞ in G and I be the fixator of C_0^+ in G . Then using the Birkhoff decomposition $G = I_\infty N I$, one can prove that there exists a unique I_∞ -invariant retraction $\rho_{C_\infty} : \mathcal{I}_\oplus \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (see § 4.4.2). We can then recover d^* from ρ_{C_∞} .

Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials. Let (W', S') be a Coxeter group. In their fundamental paper [25], Kazhdan and Lusztig associated to this data a family $(P_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}})_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in W'}$ of polynomials of $\mathbb{Z}[\mathbf{q}]$, where \mathbf{q} is an indeterminate. These polynomials are now known as the Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials. In order to define them, they began by defining auxiliary polynomials - called “ R -polynomials” - $R_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}} \in \mathbb{Z}[\mathbf{q}]$, for $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in W'$. When $W' = W$, these polynomials are defined by the following equation (see [29, (1.2)])

$$R_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}}(q) = |(I\dot{\mathbf{w}}I \cap I_\infty\dot{\mathbf{v}}I)/I|, \text{ for } \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in W, \text{ for all prime power } q, \tag{1.1}$$

with $I = I(q)$ and $I_\infty = I_\infty(q)$ defined as above in $G = G_q = \mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{F}_q(\varpi))$, with \mathbb{F}_q the field of cardinality q , where $\dot{\mathbf{v}}, \dot{\mathbf{w}}$ are liftings of \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} in $N \subset G$. This formula, is implicitly used by D. Kazhdan and G. Lusztig in [25], and was proven by Z. Haddad ([16]).

Split Kac–Moody groups over valued field and measures. Split Kac–Moody groups are infinite dimensional generalizations of split reductive groups. There are many possible definitions of such groups but in this paper, we are mainly interested in the minimal one defined in [41] (although we also use Mathieu’s completion). Let \mathfrak{G} be such a group, \mathcal{K} be a field equipped with a nontrivial valuation $\omega : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ and $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$. In [35], generalizing results of [14], Rousseau defined a “measure” $\mathcal{I}_\omega = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega)$ on which G acts. This measure is a kind of Bruhat–Tits building adapted to the Kac–Moody framework. We still have $\mathcal{I}_\omega = \bigcup_{g \in G} g \cdot \mathbb{A}_\omega$, where $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}_\omega$ is the “fundamental apartment”. This apartment is an affine space of the same dimension as \mathfrak{T} equipped with an arrangement of hyperplanes. Using \mathcal{I}_ω , one can define the Iwahori subgroup $I = I_\omega$ of G , which is the fixator of the fundamental local chamber C_0^+ of \mathbb{A} . The Borel subgroup $B^\pm = T.U^\pm$ is well known (cf. § 2.2.1). In the following, a Bruhat or Birkhoff decomposition will be called more precisely a Bruhat–Borel or Birkhoff–Borel (resp. Bruhat–Iwahori or Birkhoff–Iwahori) decomposition, when it involves B^\pm (resp. I). As the Iwahori case is frequently used, we often omit this name Iwahori.

Let Y be the cocharacter lattice and W^\vee be the vectorial Weyl group of $(\mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{T})$. Then, $W := N/T = W^\vee \rtimes Y$ and the Bruhat decomposition does not hold in G : $IWI \not\subseteq G$ (where we regard W as a subset of N by choosing for each element of W a lifting in N). Because of this, one often restricts attention to a subsemi-group $G^+ = G_\omega^+$ of G defined as follows. Let C_f^\vee be the fundamental vectorial chamber of \mathbb{A} , $\mathcal{T} := \bigcup_{w \in W^\vee} w \cdot \overline{C_f^\vee}$ be the Tits cone, $Y^+ = Y \cap \mathcal{T}$ and $W^+ = W^\vee \rtimes Y^+$. Then $G^+ := IW^+I$ is a set of elements of G admitting a Bruhat decomposition. An equivalent definition of G^+ is as follows. If $x, y \in \mathbb{A}$, we write $x \leq y$ if $y - x \in \mathcal{T}$. Then \leq extends to a G -invariant preorder \leq on \mathcal{I} and we have $G^+ = \{g \in G \mid g.0 \geq 0\}$ (where 0 is the vertex of C_0^+).

Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials in the Kac–Moody setting. In general, neither W nor W^+ , which is not even a group (except if \mathfrak{G} is reductive), is a Coxeter group. In [29], Muthiah suggests to take (1.1), for $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in W^+$, as a definition of the R -polynomials associated with \mathfrak{G} and then to define the Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials. With this approach, two questions naturally arise: are the cardinalities in (1.1) finite and how to compute them if they are?

In [29], Muthiah partially solves these questions, when \mathfrak{G} is untwisted affine of type A, D or E, under the assumption that the retraction $\rho_{C_\infty} : \mathcal{S}_\oplus \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ is well-defined (for every prime power q , where $\mathcal{S}_\oplus = \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathbb{F}_q(\varpi), \omega_\oplus)$), or at least that it is well-defined on a sufficiently large subset of \mathcal{S}_\oplus . These works are generalized to general Kac–Moody groups in [23], under the same assumption on the retraction ρ_{C_∞} , with similar techniques. Muthiah’s method is as follows. Let $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in W^+$. Then the set involved in (1.1) is in bijection with a set $E_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}}$ of local chambers of \mathcal{S}_\oplus , which are in some “sphere”, and whose image by ρ_{C_∞} is in $\mathbf{v}.C_0^+$. He proves that the image by ρ_{C_∞} of a line segment of \mathcal{S}_\oplus (satisfying certain conditions) is an I_∞ –Hecke path of \mathbb{A}_\oplus , i.e. it is a piecewise linear path satisfying certain precise conditions. He proves finiteness results for the number of these I_∞ –Hecke paths in \mathbb{A}_\oplus (in the untwisted affine case of type A, D or E) and proves that for a given I_∞ –path, the number of line segments of \mathcal{S}_\oplus retracting on it is finite and polynomial in q (in the general case, not necessarily affine). However, he does not study the existence of ρ_{C_∞} .

1.2. Content of this paper. Let \mathbb{k} be a field (not necessarily finite) and \mathfrak{G} be a split Kac–Moody group. In this paper, we study the action of $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{k}(\varpi))$ and $G_{\text{twin}} := G_{\mathcal{O}} = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O})$ on $\mathcal{S}_\oplus \times \mathcal{S}_\ominus$. As \mathcal{O} is not a field, the meaning of $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O})$ is not clear, but we give a definition of it as a subgroup of G in § 2.2.1. We begin by studying the action of $G_{\mathcal{O}}$ on a single measure \mathcal{S}_\oplus or \mathcal{S}_\ominus . We actually study the slightly more general situation where \mathcal{O} is replaced by \mathcal{R} , a dense subring of a field \mathcal{K} equipped with a discrete valuation (satisfying the additional assumption (2.1), i.e. such that $\omega(\mathcal{R}^*) = \omega(\mathcal{K}^*) = \mathbb{Z}$). We prove that $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ admits Bruhat and Iwasawa decompositions, using the corresponding decompositions of $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$. For $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$, set $U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon} = \langle x_\alpha(\mathcal{R}) \mid \alpha \in \Phi^\epsilon \rangle \subset G_{\mathcal{R}}$ (where Φ^+ and Φ^- are the sets of positive and negative real roots respectively). Note that greater groups $U_{\mathcal{R}}^\epsilon$ will be defined in § 2.2.1. Set $I_{\mathcal{R}} = I \cap G_{\mathcal{R}}$ and $N_{\mathcal{R}} = N \cap G_{\mathcal{R}}$. Then we prove the following theorem (see Corollary 3.10 and Corollary 3.11):

Theorem. *We have*

- (1) $G_{\mathcal{R}} = U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon} N_{\mathcal{R}} I_{\mathcal{R}}$, for both $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$,
- (2) $G_{\mathcal{R}} \cap G^+ = I_{\mathcal{R}} W^+ I_{\mathcal{R}}$.

We then go back to the situation where $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$ and study the action of $G_{\mathcal{O}}$ on $\mathcal{S}_\oplus \times \mathcal{S}_\ominus$. We do not prove the existence of ρ_{C_∞} , but we prove that if $(G_{\mathcal{O}})_\oplus^+ := \{g \in G_{\mathcal{O}} \mid g.0_\oplus \geq 0_\oplus\}$ admits a Birkhoff decomposition (see § 4.4 for the precise meaning), then ρ_{C_∞} is well-defined on $\mathcal{S}_\oplus^{\geq 0_\oplus} = \{x \in \mathcal{S}_\oplus \mid x \geq 0_\oplus\}$ (see § 4.4.2). Following the ideas of Muthiah, we conjecture that this decomposition holds (see § 4.4.1) and that the same decompositions with $(G_{\mathcal{O}})_\oplus^+$ replaced by $(G_{\mathcal{O}})_\oplus^- := \{g \in G_{\mathcal{O}} \mid g.0_\oplus \leq 0_\oplus\}$ hold, which would be sufficient for applying Muthiah’s method. With such Birkhoff decompositions, we might really say that \mathcal{S}_\oplus and \mathcal{S}_\ominus are twin measures. Unfortunately the decompositions proved by M. Patnaik in [30] concern a completion of $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O})$, see § 4.4.1.

We then study the image by ρ_{C_∞} of a line segment $[x, y]$, with $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$ and such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(z)$ is well-defined for every $z \in [x, y]$ (the second condition is always satisfied

if our conjecture is true). We prove that they are C_∞ -Hecke paths. We then obtain a formula counting the number of liftings of a given C_∞ -Hecke path, and proving that it is polynomial in the cardinality of \mathbb{k} (see Theorem 5.9).

To get this number of liftings of a C_∞ -Hecke path as a line segment, we first prove that, after choosing some superdecorations, it is the product of the numbers of local liftings around a finite number of points (the points where the path crosses a wall in some specific way). Then we compute each of these numbers of local liftings. We get a precise formula, which seems more explicit than Muthiah's formula in [29] (where our paths are called I_∞ -Hecke paths).

Eventually, we study the case where \mathfrak{G} is affine SL_2 . We prove that $G \supsetneq I_\infty NI$: the Birkhoff decomposition does not hold on the entire G . This was expected since this is already the case for the Bruhat decomposition. We give an example of an element $g \in G \setminus I_\infty NI$. As $g \notin G_\oplus^+ \cup G_\oplus^-$, this does not contradict our conjecture. We also study explicit examples of C_∞ -Hecke paths.

Remark 1.1.

- (1) Our conventions differ from the one of [29]. Our Tits cone is the opposite of the Tits cone for Muthiah, and thus what Muthiah denotes G^+ corresponds to G^- for us. For this reason, our definition of C_∞ -Hecke path and our formulas slightly differ from the one of [29].
- (2) The fixators of objects in the measure (like I or I_∞) are subgroups of G or $G_\mathcal{O}$ defined by sets of generators. Even in the affine case, it is a delicate issue to describe them explicitly. For example, if $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K}) = SL_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}])$, where u is an indeterminate, then the fixator of 0_\oplus in G is $SL_2(\mathcal{O}_\oplus[u, u^{-1}])$, where $\mathcal{O}_\oplus = \{a \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \mid \omega_\oplus(a) \geq 0\}$ (see Lemma 6.11). However, for I_∞ , we prove that

$$I_\infty \subset \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] & \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] \\ \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] & \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] \end{pmatrix},$$

(see Lemma 6.12), but we do not know if it is an equality.

The paper is organized as follows.

In § 2, we introduce the general framework, in particular Kac–Moody groups and measures.

In § 3, we study $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ for \mathcal{R} a dense subring of a valued field \mathcal{K} (satisfying Assumption (2.1)). We prove the Bruhat and Iwasawa decompositions of $G_{\mathcal{R}}$.

In § 4, we study the action of $G_{\text{twin}} := G_{\mathcal{O}}$, where $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$ on $\mathcal{I}_\oplus \times \mathcal{I}_\ominus$. We define ρ_{C_∞} under some conjecture.

In § 5, we study C_∞ -Hecke paths and their liftings in \mathcal{I}_\oplus .

In § 6, we study the case where \mathfrak{G} is affine SL_2 .

2. SPLIT KAC–MOODY GROUPS OVER VALUED FIELDS AND MEASURES

2.1. Standard apartment of a measure.

2.1.1. *Root generating system.* A Kac–Moody matrix (or generalized Cartan matrix) is a square matrix $A = (a_{i,j})_{i,j \in I}$ indexed by a finite set I , with integral coefficients, and such that:

- (i) $\forall i \in I, a_{i,i} = 2$;
- (ii) $\forall (i, j) \in I^2, (i \neq j) \Rightarrow (a_{i,j} \leq 0)$;
- (iii) $\forall (i, j) \in I^2, (a_{i,j} = 0) \Leftrightarrow (a_{j,i} = 0)$.

A *root generating system* is a 5-tuple $\mathcal{S} = (A, X, Y, (\alpha_i)_{i \in I}, (\alpha_i^\vee)_{i \in I})$ made of a Kac–Moody matrix A indexed by the finite set I , of two dual free \mathbb{Z} -modules X and Y of finite rank, and of a free family $(\alpha_i)_{i \in I}$ (resp. a free family $(\alpha_i^\vee)_{i \in I}$) of elements in X (resp. Y) called *simple roots* (resp. *simple coroots*) that satisfy $a_{i,j} = \alpha_j(\alpha_i^\vee)$ for all i, j in I . Elements of X (respectively of Y) are called *characters* (resp. *cocharacters*).

Fix such a root generating system $\mathcal{S} = (A, X, Y, (\alpha_i)_{i \in I}, (\alpha_i^\vee)_{i \in I})$ and set $\mathbb{A} := Y \otimes \mathbb{R}$. Each element of X induces a linear form on \mathbb{A} , hence X can be seen as a subset of the dual \mathbb{A}^* . In particular, the α_i 's (with $i \in I$) will be seen as linear forms on \mathbb{A} . This allows us to define, for any $i \in I$, an involution r_i of \mathbb{A} by setting $r_i(v) := v - \alpha_i(v)\alpha_i^\vee$ for any $v \in \mathbb{A}$. One defines the *Weyl group of \mathcal{S}* as the subgroup W^\vee of $\text{GL}(\mathbb{A})$ generated by $\{r_i \mid i \in I\}$. The pair $(W^\vee, \{r_i \mid i \in I\})$ is a Coxeter system.

The following formula defines an action of the Weyl group W^\vee on \mathbb{A}^* :

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{A}, w \in W^\vee, \alpha \in \mathbb{A}^*, (w.\alpha)(x) := \alpha(w^{-1}.x).$$

Let $\Phi := \{w.\alpha_i \mid (w, i) \in W^\vee \times I\}$ (resp. $\Phi^\vee = \{w.\alpha_i^\vee \mid (w, i) \in W^\vee \times I\}$) be the set of *real roots* (resp. *real coroots*): then Φ (resp. Φ^\vee) is a subset of the *root lattice* $Q := \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}\alpha_i$ (resp. *coroot lattice* $Q^\vee = \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}\alpha_i^\vee$). If $\alpha \in \Phi$, there exist $i \in I, w \in W^\vee$ such that $\alpha = w.\alpha_i$. One sets $\alpha^\vee = w.\alpha_i^\vee$ and $r_\alpha = r_{\alpha^\vee} = wr_iw^{-1} \in W^\vee$. This does not depend on the choice of i and w . By [26, 1.2.2(2)], one has $\mathbb{R}\alpha^\vee \cap \Phi^\vee = \{\pm\alpha^\vee\}$ and $\mathbb{R}\alpha \cap \Phi = \{\pm\alpha\}$ for all $\alpha^\vee \in \Phi^\vee$ and $\alpha \in \Phi$. We set $Q^+ = \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{N}\alpha_i, Q^{\vee,+} = \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathbb{N}\alpha_i^\vee, \Phi^+ = \Phi \cap Q^+$ and $\Phi^- = \Phi \cap -Q^+ = -\Phi^+$. We define $\text{ht} : Q \otimes \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $\text{ht}(\sum_{i \in I} n_i \alpha_i) = \sum_{i \in I} n_i$ for $(n_i) \in \mathbb{R}^I$ and we call ht the height.

2.1.2. *Local chambers, sectors, chimneys.*

- (1) *Vectorial facets:* Let $(\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq \ell}$ be the above basis of the system Φ of roots. Then $C_f^\vee = \{v \in \mathbb{A} \mid \alpha_i(v) > 0, \forall i\}$ is the canonical vectorial chamber. Its facets are the cones $F^\vee(J) = \{v \in \mathbb{A} \mid \alpha_i(v) = 0, \forall i \in J, \alpha_i(v) > 0, \forall i \notin J\}$ for $J \subset \{1, \dots, \ell\} = I$. The facet $F^\vee(J)$ and J are said spherical if the group $W^\vee(J)$ generated by the reflections $r_i = r_{\alpha_i}$ for $i \in J$ is finite.

A positive (resp. negative) vectorial facet of type J is a conjugate by W^\vee of $F^\vee(J)$ (resp. $-F^\vee(J)$). It is a chamber if $J = \emptyset$ and a panel if $|J| = 1$.

The Tits cone \mathcal{T} (resp. its interior \mathcal{T}°) is the union of all positive (resp. and spherical) vectorial facets. It is a convex cone.

- (2) *Local facets and segment germs:* A local facet in \mathbb{A} is the germ $F(x, F^\vee) = \text{germ}_x(x + F^\vee)$ where $x \in \mathbb{A}$ and F^\vee is a vectorial facet (i.e. $F(x, F^\vee)$ is the filter of all neighbourhoods of x in $x + F^\vee$). It is a local chamber, a local panel, positive, or negative if F^\vee has this property, it is of type 0 if $x \in Y \subset \mathbb{A}$. We denote by C_0^+ the fundamental local chamber, i.e. $C_0^+ = \text{germ}_0(C_f^\vee)$.

Let x, y in \mathbb{A} be such that $x \neq y$. The germ of $[x, y]$ at x is the filter $[x, y) = \text{germ}_x([x, y])$ consisting of the subsets of the form $\Omega \cap [x, y]$, where Ω is a neighbourhood of x in \mathbb{A} . It is said to be preordered if $y - x \in \pm \mathcal{T}$.

- (3) *Sectors and sector germs:* A sector in \mathbb{A} is a subset $\mathfrak{q} = x + C^\vee$, for x a point in \mathbb{A} and C^\vee a vectorial chamber. Its sector germ is the filter $\mathfrak{Q} = \text{germ}_\infty(\mathfrak{q})$ of subsets of \mathbb{A} containing another sector $x + y + C^\vee$, with $y \in C^\vee$. It is entirely determined by its direction C^\vee . This sector or sector germ is said positive (resp. negative) if C^\vee has this property.

For example, we consider $\mathfrak{Q}_{\pm\infty} = \text{germ}_\infty(\pm C_f^\vee)$.

- (4) A half-apartment: (resp. an open-half-apartment, a wall) of \mathbb{A} is a set of form $D(\alpha - k) = \alpha^{-1}([k, +\infty[)$ (resp. $D^\circ(\alpha - k) = \alpha^{-1}(]k, +\infty[)$, $M(\alpha - k) = \alpha^{-1}(\{k\})$), where $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\alpha \in \Phi$.

A subset E of \mathbb{A} is said to be enclosed if it is the intersection of a finite number of half-apartments. The enclosure $cl(E)$ of a subset (or filter) E of \mathbb{A} is the filter consisting of the subsets containing an enclosed set containing E .

- (5) Chimneys: Let $F = F(x, F_1^v)$ be a local facet and F^v be a vectorial facet. The chimney $\tau(F, F^v) = cl(F + F^v)$ is the filter consisting of the sets containing an enclosed set containing $F + F^v$. A shortening of a chimney $\tau(F, F^v)$, with $F = F(x, F_1^v)$ is a chimney of the form $\tau(F(x + \xi, F_1^v), F^v)$ for some $\xi \in F^v$. The germ $\mathfrak{R} = germ_\infty(\tau)$ of a chimney τ is the filter of subsets of \mathbb{A} containing a shortening of τ . The chimney $\tau(F, F^v)$ or its germ \mathfrak{R} is said splayed of sign ε if its direction F^v is a spherical facet of sign ε . A sector is a splayed chimney.

2.2. Split Kac–Moody groups over valued fields.

2.2.1. *Minimal split Kac–Moody groups.* Let $\mathfrak{G} = \mathfrak{G}_{\mathcal{S}}$ be the group functor associated in [41] with the root generating system \mathcal{S} , see also [31, 8]. Let (\mathcal{K}, ω) be a valued field where $\omega : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{+\infty\}$ is a normalized, discrete valuation. Let $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ be the split Kac–Moody group over \mathcal{K} associated with \mathcal{S} . The group G is generated by the following subgroups:

- the fundamental torus $T = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K})$, where $\mathfrak{T} = \text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}[X])$,
- the root subgroups $U_\alpha = \mathfrak{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{K})$, each isomorphic to $(\mathcal{K}, +)$ by an isomorphism x_α .

The groups X and Y correspond to the character lattice and cocharacter lattice of \mathfrak{T} respectively. One writes \mathfrak{U}^\pm the subgroup of \mathfrak{G} generated by the \mathfrak{U}_α , for $\alpha \in \Phi^\pm$ and $U^\pm = \mathfrak{U}^\pm(\mathcal{K})$.

Let \mathcal{R} be a subring of \mathcal{K} (with $1 \in \mathcal{R}$). In this paper, we are interested in the group of \mathcal{R} -points of \mathfrak{G} . It seems that there is currently no consensus on what this should mean. We mainly study the case where $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}] \subset \mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$, for \mathbb{k} a field and ϖ an indeterminate. When \mathfrak{G} is a split reductive group over \mathbb{k} , one knows that $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O})$ is given by some well known generators. This is a consequence of \mathcal{O} being a principal ideal domain by [40, top of p. 205]. So in this paper, we take the same kind of generators and set

$$G_{\mathcal{R}} := \langle x_\alpha(\mathcal{R}), \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{R}) \mid \alpha \in \Phi \rangle \subset \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K}) = G.$$

For $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$, we set $U_{\mathcal{R}}^\epsilon = G_{\mathcal{R}} \cap U^\epsilon = G_{\mathcal{R}} \cap \langle x_\alpha(\mathcal{K}) \mid \alpha \in \Phi^\epsilon \rangle$. Let $U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon} = \langle x_\alpha(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{R}, \alpha \in \Phi^\epsilon \rangle$. We have $U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon} \subset U_{\mathcal{R}}^\epsilon$. However, this inclusion is strict in general, see [41, 3.10.d p. 555] for a counter-example.

Timothée Marquis [27, Definition 8.126] defines a minimal Kac–Moody group functor $\mathfrak{G}_{\mathcal{S}}^{min}$ and proves [l.c. proof of Proposition 8.128] that the morphism $\mathfrak{G}_{\mathcal{S}}^{min}(k_1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}_{\mathcal{S}}^{min}(k_2)$ is injective when $k_1 \hookrightarrow k_2$ is an injective morphism of rings. Moreover when \mathcal{R} is a Euclidean ring (e.g. $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$), we know that $\text{SL}_2(\mathcal{R})$ is generated by its torus and root subgroups [27, Exercice 7.2(3)]. So our $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ is equal to the group $\mathfrak{G}_{\mathcal{S}}^{min}(\mathcal{R})$ defined by Timothée Marquis. It is perhaps not equal to $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{R})$ as the morphisms $\iota(\mathcal{R}) : \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{R}) \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}^{pma}(\mathcal{R})$ (see below in § 2.2.3) and $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{R}) \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ might be non injective.

Note that general Kac–Moody groups over rings are defined and studied in [2, 3] and [4]. It seems more difficult to relate them with the group we study.

Remark 2.1. We chose to work with any discretely valued field (\mathcal{K}, ω) . For our main purpose, which is to develop a Kazhdan–Lusztig theory in the Kac–Moody setting, we only

need the case where the residual cardinality of \mathcal{K} is finite, and even where $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$, where \mathbb{k} is a finite field. However, as it would not really simplify our proofs to impose these restrictions on \mathcal{K} , we work in this more general frameworks.

2.2.2. *Subgroups N and $N_{\mathcal{R}}$.* Let \mathfrak{N} be the group functor on rings such that if \mathcal{R}' is a ring, $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{R}')$ is the subgroup of $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{R}')$ generated by $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{R}')$ and the \tilde{s}_{α_i} , for $i \in I$, where \tilde{s}_{α_i} is defined in [35, 1.6]. Then if \mathcal{R}' is a field with at least 4 elements, $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{R}')$ is the normalizer of $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{R}')$ in $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{R}')$.

Let $N = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})$ and $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{A})$ be the group of affine automorphisms of \mathbb{A} . Then by [35, 4.2], there exists a group morphism $\nu : N \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{A})$ such that:

- (1) for $i \in I$, $\nu(\tilde{s}_{\alpha_i})$ is the simple reflection $r_i \in W^v$, it fixes 0,
- (2) for $t \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K})$, $\nu(t)$ is the translation on \mathbb{A} by the vector $\nu(t)$ defined by $\chi(\nu(t)) = -\omega(\chi(t))$, for all $\chi \in X$. This action is compatible with the action of W^v on \mathbb{A} ,
- (3) we have $\nu(N) = W^v \ltimes Y := W$.

Let \mathcal{R} be a dense subring of \mathcal{K} . We often assume:

$$\exists \varpi \in \mathcal{R}^* \mid \omega(\varpi) = 1. \tag{2.1}$$

This assumption is in particular satisfied by $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$, $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$ or $\mathbb{k}((\varpi))$, for \mathbb{k} a field and ϖ an indeterminate or by $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}]$, $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{Q}$ or \mathbb{Q}_p , for p a prime number.

Let $N_{\mathcal{R}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{R}) \subset N$. Then $N_{\mathcal{R}}$ normalizes $T_{\mathcal{R}} := \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{R})$. For $\lambda \in Y = \text{Hom}(\mathfrak{Mult}, \mathfrak{T})$, we set $\varpi^\lambda := \lambda(\varpi) \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{R})$. Then $\nu(\varpi^\lambda)$ is the translation on \mathbb{A} by the vector $-\lambda$. Moreover, $\tilde{s}_{\alpha_i} \in N_{\mathcal{R}}$. In particular, we have:

$$\nu(N_{\mathcal{R}}) = W^v \ltimes Y = W. \tag{2.2}$$

2.2.3. *The completion \mathfrak{G}^{pma} of the Kac–Moody group \mathfrak{G} .* In order to study the group $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ (for \mathcal{K} a field), we consider the group-functor homomorphism $\iota : \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}^{pma}$ from \mathfrak{G} to the (positive) completion \mathfrak{G}^{pma} of \mathfrak{G} (we shall also use the negative completion \mathfrak{G}^{nma}). We know that $\iota(\mathcal{K}) : \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K}) \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}^{pma}(\mathcal{K})$ is injective for any field \mathcal{K} [35, Proposition 3.13], so we consider G as a subgroup of $\mathfrak{G}^{pma}(\mathcal{K})$. Actually \mathfrak{G}^{pma} is the Kac–Moody group defined by Olivier Mathieu in [28] as a functor on the category of rings; we refer here to [35, § 3]. This group is hard to define. However the following important subgroups have simpler definitions.

One starts with the split Kac–Moody algebra $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{Z}}$ over \mathbb{Z} (see [27, Definition 7.5] for the definition of $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{Z}}$), with system of (real or imaginary) roots $\Delta = \Delta^+ \sqcup \Delta^- \subset Q$ (see [26, 1.2.2] for the definition of Δ). We have $\Phi \subset \Delta$. The elements of $\Phi = \Delta_{re}$ are called real roots and the elements of $\Delta_{im} = \Delta \setminus \Phi$ are called imaginary roots. To each $\alpha \in \Delta$ is associated a subgroup \mathfrak{U}_{α} .

Let $\Psi \subset \Delta^+$. We say that Ψ is closed if for all $\alpha, \beta \in \Psi$, for all $p, q \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta^+$ implies $p\alpha + q\beta \in \Psi$. Let Ψ be a closed subset of Δ^+ and R a ring (commutative with unit), then a pro-unipotent group scheme \mathfrak{U}_{Ψ}^{ma} is described as follows in [35, Propositions 3.2 & 3.4]:

$$\mathfrak{U}_{\Psi}^{ma}(R) = \prod_{\alpha \in \Psi} X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R). \tag{2.3}$$

One chooses an order on Ψ , e.g. such that the height of α is increasing.

$\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}}$ is the eigenspace associated to α in $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{Z}}$ and $X_{\alpha} : \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R \rightarrow \mathfrak{U}_{\Psi}^{ma}(R)$, $\sum_{x \in \mathcal{B}_{\alpha}} \lambda_x \cdot x \mapsto \prod_{x \in \mathcal{B}_{\alpha}} [exp] \lambda_x \cdot x$ is one to one (where \mathcal{B}_{α} is a \mathbb{Z} -basis of $\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}}$).

When α is real (i.e. $\alpha \in \Phi = \Delta_{re}$), then $\mathfrak{U}_\alpha(R) = X_\alpha(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R)$. One chooses e_α (one of the two bases of $\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}}$) and one writes $x_\alpha(a) = X_\alpha(a.e_\alpha)$ for $a \in R$. One gets thus an isomorphism $x_\alpha : (R, +) \rightarrow \mathfrak{U}_\alpha(R), a \mapsto x_\alpha(a)$ and $\mathfrak{r}_\alpha : \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow \mathfrak{U}_\alpha$.

When α is imaginary (i.e. $\alpha \in \Delta_{im}$), then $\mathfrak{U}_\alpha(R) = \prod_{n \geq 1} X_{n\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{n\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R)$.

\mathfrak{U}_Ψ^{ma} may be seen as “topologically generated” by the \mathfrak{U}_α for $\alpha \in \Psi$.

One writes $\mathfrak{U}^{ma+} = \mathfrak{U}_{\Delta^+}^{ma}$. It contains \mathfrak{U}^+ . The positive Borel subgroup of \mathfrak{G}^{pma} is $\mathfrak{T} \ltimes \mathfrak{U}^{ma+} = \mathfrak{B}^{ma+}$.

2.2.4. *Parahoric subgroups.* In [14] and [35], the measure \mathcal{I} of G is constructed as follows. To each $x \in \mathbb{A}$ is associated a group $\hat{P}_x = G_x$. Then \mathcal{I} is defined in such a way that G_x is the fixator of x in G for the action on \mathcal{I} (see § 2.3). We actually associate to each filter Ω on \mathbb{A} a subgroup $G_\Omega \subset G$ (with $G_{\{x\}} = G_x$ for $x \in \mathbb{A}$). Even though the measure is not yet defined, we use the terminology “fixator” to speak of G_Ω , as this will be the fixator of Ω in G . The definition of G_Ω involves the completed groups G^{pma} and G^{nma} .

(1) Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$ be a non empty set or filter. One defines a function $f_\Omega : \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{+\infty\}$, $f_\Omega(\alpha) = \inf\{r \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \Omega \subset D(\alpha + r)\} = \inf\{r \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \alpha(\Omega) + r \subset [0, +\infty[$ and, for $r \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq r} = \{x \in \mathcal{K} \mid \omega(x) \geq r\}$, $\mathcal{K}_{\omega=r} = \{x \in \mathcal{K} \mid \omega(x) = r\}$. The filter Ω is said almost open (resp. narrow) if for all $\alpha \in \Phi$, $f_\Omega(\alpha) + f_\Omega(-\alpha) \geq 1$ (resp. $f_\Omega(\alpha) + f_\Omega(-\alpha) \leq 1$). For example, segment germs and local facets are narrow and local chambers and sectors are almost open.

(2) If Ω is a set, we define the subgroup $U_\Omega^{ma+} = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} X_\alpha(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq f_\Omega(\alpha)})$, see § 2.2.3. Actually, for $\alpha \in \Phi^+ = \Delta_{re}^+$, $X_\alpha(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq f_\Omega(\alpha)}) = x_\alpha(\mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq f_\Omega(\alpha)}) =: U_{\alpha, \Omega}$. We then define $U_\Omega^{pm+} = U_\Omega^{ma+} \cap G = U_\Omega^{ma+} \cap U^+$, see [35, 4.5.2, 4.5.3 and 4.5.7]. When Ω is a filter, we set $U_\Omega^{ma+} := \bigcup_{S \in \Omega} U_S^{ma+}$ and $U_\Omega^{pm+} := U_\Omega^{ma+} \cap G$.

We may also consider the negative completion $G^{nma} = \mathfrak{G}^{nma}(\mathcal{K})$ of G , and define the subgroup $U_\Omega^{ma-} = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^-} X_\alpha(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq f_\Omega(\alpha)})$. For $\alpha \in \Phi^- = \Delta_{re}^-$, $X_\alpha(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq f_\Omega(\alpha)}) = x_\alpha(\mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq f_\Omega(\alpha)}) =: U_{\alpha, \Omega}$. We then define $U_\Omega^{nm-} = U_\Omega^{ma-} \cap G = U_\Omega^{ma-} \cap U^-$.

(3) Let Ω be a filter on \mathbb{A} . We denote by N_Ω the fixator of Ω in N (for the action of N on \mathbb{A}). If Ω is not a set, we have $N_\Omega = \bigcup_{S \in \Omega} N_S$. Note that we drop the hats used in [35] to avoid confusions with the hats related to the completion $\hat{\mathcal{K}}_\omega$ of \mathcal{K} , that we shall consider in § 4. When Ω is almost open one has $N_\Omega = N_{\mathbb{A}} = T_0 := \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq 0}) = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}_{\omega=0})$ (written H in l.c. , but we avoid this here), see [l.c. 4.3.1].

If $x \in \mathbb{A}$, we set $G_x = U_x^{pm+}.U_x^{nm-}.N_x$. This is a subgroup of G . If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$ is a set, we set $G_\Omega = \bigcap_{x \in \Omega} G_x$ and if Ω is a filter, we set $G_\Omega = \bigcup_{S \in \Omega} G_S$. Note that in [35], the definition of G_x is much more complicated (see [35, Définition 4.13]). However it is equivalent to this one by [35, Proposition 4.14].

A filter is said to have a “good fixator” if it satisfies [35, Définition 5.3]. There are many examples of filters with good fixators [l.c. 5.7]: points, preordered segment germs, local facets, sectors, sector germs, \mathbb{A} , walls, half apartments, ... For such a filter Ω , we have:

$$G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{pm+}.U_\Omega^{nm-}.N_\Omega = U_\Omega^{nm-}.U_\Omega^{pm+}.N_\Omega.$$

We then have: $U_\Omega^{pm+} = G_\Omega \cap U^+ =: U^+(\Omega)$ and $U_\Omega^{nm-} = G_\Omega \cap U^- =: U^-(\Omega)$, as $U^- \cap U^+.N = U^+ \cap N = \{1\}$, by [l.c. Remarque 3.17] and [31, 1.2.1 (RT3)].

Note that for the sector germ $\Omega = \Omega_{+\infty}$, $U_\Omega^{nm-} = \{1\}$, $N_\Omega = N_{\mathbb{A}} = T_0$ and $U_\Omega^{pm+} = U^+$. So $G_{\Omega_{+\infty}} = T_0U^+$. Similarly, $G_{\Omega_{-\infty}} = T_0U^-$.

When Ω is a local facet, G_Ω is called a parahoric subgroup (this is a little more general than in [11]).

When $\Omega = C_0^+ = \text{germo}_0(C_f^v)$ is the (fundamental) positive local chamber in \mathbb{A} , $I = G_\Omega$ is called the (fundamental) Iwahori subgroup.

(4) For Ω a set or a filter, one defines:

$$U_\Omega = \langle U_{\alpha,\Omega} \mid \alpha \in \Phi \rangle, \quad U_\Omega^\pm = U_\Omega \cap U^\pm \quad \text{and} \quad U_\Omega^{\pm\pm} = \langle U_{\alpha,\Omega} \mid \alpha \in \Phi^\pm \rangle.$$

Then one has $U_\Omega = U_\Omega^- \cdot U_\Omega^+ \cdot N_\Omega^u = U_\Omega^+ \cdot U_\Omega^- \cdot N_\Omega^u$, where $N_\Omega^u = U_\Omega \cap N \subset N_\Omega$, see [l.c. 4.6.1]. And also $U_\Omega^+ \subset U_\Omega^{pm+}$, $U_\Omega^- \subset U_\Omega^{nm-}$, see [l.c. 4.3.2 and 4.5.3].

The inclusion $U_\Omega^{\pm\pm} \subset U_\Omega^\pm$ is clear, but it is not always an equality, see [l.c. 4.3.2 and 4.12.3.a].

When Ω is narrow and has a good fixator, then $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{pm+} \cdot U_\Omega^- \cdot N_\Omega = U_\Omega^{nm-} \cdot U_\Omega^+ \cdot N_\Omega$, see [l.c. 4.13.4 and 5.3].

2.3. Measure associated with G .

2.3.1. *Measure.* We now define the measure $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega)$. As a set, $\mathcal{I} = G \times \mathbb{A} / \sim$, where \sim is defined as follows:

$$\forall (g, x), (h, y) \in G \times \mathbb{A}, (g, x) \sim (h, y) \Leftrightarrow \exists n \in N \mid y = \nu(n).x \quad \text{and} \quad g^{-1}hn \in G_x.$$

We regard \mathbb{A} as a subset of \mathcal{I} by identifying x and $(1, x)$, for $x \in \mathbb{A}$. The group G acts on \mathcal{I} by $g.(h, x) = (gh, x)$, for $g, h \in G$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}$. An apartment is a set of the form $g.\mathbb{A}$, for $g \in G$. The stabilizer of \mathbb{A} in G is N and if $x \in \mathbb{A}$, then the fixator of x in G is G_x . More generally, when $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$ has a good fixator, then G_Ω is the fixator of Ω in G and G_Ω permutes transitively the apartments containing Ω . If A is an apartment, we transport all the notions that are preserved by W (e.g segments, walls, facets, chimneys, etc.) to A . Then by [21, Corollary 3.7], \mathcal{I} satisfies the following properties:

- (MA II) Let A, A' be two apartments. Then $A \cap A'$ is a finite intersection of half-apartments and there exists $g \in G$ such that $g.A = A'$ and g fixes $A \cap A'$.
- (MA III) If \mathfrak{R} is the germ of a splayed chimney and if F is a facet or a germ of a chimney, then there exists an apartment containing \mathfrak{R} and F .

We also have:

- The stabilizer of \mathbb{A} in G is N and N acts on $\mathbb{A} \subset \mathcal{I}$ via ν .
- If Ω has a good fixator, $N.G_\Omega = \{g \in G \mid g.\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}\}$.
- The group $U_{\alpha,r} := \{x_\alpha(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{K}, \omega(u) \geq r\}$, for $\alpha \in \Phi, r \in \mathbb{Z}$, fixes the half-apartment $D(\alpha + r) = \{x \in \mathbb{A} \mid \alpha(x) + r \geq 0\}$. It is actually the fixator in U_α of any point in the wall $M(\alpha + r) = \{x \in \mathbb{A} \mid \alpha(x) + r = 0\}$. It acts simply transitively on the set of apartments in \mathcal{I} containing $D(\alpha + r)$.

For $x, y \in \mathcal{I}$, we write $x \leq y$ (resp. $x \overset{\circ}{\leq} y, x \overset{\circ}{\leq} y$) if there exists $g \in G$ such that $g.y, g.x \in \mathbb{A}$ and $g.y - g.x \in \mathcal{T}$ (resp. $g.y - g.x \in \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{T}}, g.y - g.x \in \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{T}} \cup \{0\}$). Note that by (MA II), if $x \leq y$, then for all $g' \in G$ such that $g'.x, g'.y \in \mathbb{A}$, we have $g'.y - g'.x \in \mathcal{T}$. The relation $x \leq y$ (resp. $x \overset{\circ}{\leq} y$) is G -invariant and is a preorder relation by [34, Théorème 5.9]; in particular it is transitive.

Let H be a subgroup of G . An H -apartment is a set of the form $h.\mathbb{A}$, where $h \in H$. We denote by $\mathcal{A}(H)$ the set of H -apartments. Note that implicitly, an apartment is a G -apartment. As we shall see (Corollary 3.8), every point of \mathcal{I} lies in a $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment. However, $\mathcal{A}(G_{\mathcal{R}})$ can be strictly smaller than $\mathcal{A}(G)$.

Let Ω_1, Ω_2 be two filters on \mathcal{S} . We say that Ω_1 and Ω_2 are H -friendly if there exists $A \in \mathcal{A}(H)$ containing $\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$.

Let H be a subgroup of G . Then one may consider the semigroups $H^+ := \{g \in H \mid g.0 \geq 0\}$ and $H^- := \{g \in H \mid g.0 \leq 0\}$. We will often apply this definition with $H = G$ or $H = G_{\mathcal{R}}$ and consider the semigroups G^+ and $G_{\mathcal{R}}^+$.

Remark 2.2. In § 2.1.1, we made the assumption that the family $(\alpha_i^\vee)_{i \in I}$ is free. This is more convenient and it enables us to use the results of [21] for example. However this assumption is not necessary to define Kac–Moody groups (see [27] for example). For example, $G := \text{SL}_n(\mathcal{K}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathcal{K}^*$ is naturally equipped with the structure of a Kac–Moody group associated with a root generating system \mathcal{S} having nonfree coroots. This group is particularly interesting for examples, since it is one of the only Kac–Moody groups in which we can make explicit computations. To handle this kind of group, a solution is to consider a central extension \tilde{G} of G having free coroots. Then if $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ is the measure associated with \tilde{G} , we have a natural surjection $\pi : \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$, that is compatible with the actions of G and \tilde{G} . Then we can deduce properties of \mathcal{S} and \tilde{G} from properties of $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ and \tilde{G} . We detail this reasoning in § 6 for the case $n = 2$. It should be possible to study groups with non necessarily free coroots in general with the same reasoning, using the results of [27, 7.4.5].

2.3.2. *Decompositions of subgroups of G , retractions.* Let H be a subgroup of G and E_1, E_2 be two subsets or filters in \mathbb{A} . We write $N_H(\mathbb{A})$ the stabilizer of \mathbb{A} in H and H_{E_i} the (pointwise) fixator of E_i in H . We are interested in decompositions $H = H_{E_1}.N_H(\mathbb{A}).H_{E_2}$ or $H^+ = H_{E_1}.(N_H(\mathbb{A}) \cap H^+).H_{E_2}$, where H^+ is a subsemigroup of H . We say that it is a Bruhat (resp. Iwasawa; mixed Iwasawa) decomposition if the pair (E_1, E_2) is made of two local chambers (resp. a local chamber and a sector germ; a local chamber and a chimney germ).

There is a geometric translation of such a decomposition, when each H_{E_i} is transitive on the set of apartments in $\mathcal{A}(H)$ containing E_i (here $\mathcal{A}(H) = \{h.\mathbb{A} \mid h \in H\}$). Then such a decomposition (involving H and not H^+) means that, for any $h_1, h_2 \in H$, the subsets or filters h_1E_1 and h_2E_2 are in a same apartment of $\mathcal{A}(H)$ (they are “ H -friendly”). Actually, the axiom (MA III) is a geometric translation of decompositions of G .

Let A be an apartment of \mathcal{S} and Ω be a sector germ of A . Let $x \in \mathcal{S}$. Then by (MA III), there exists an apartment B containing x and Ω . By (MA II), there exists $h \in G$ such that $h.B = A$ and h fixes $A \cap B$. Then $h.x$ does not depend on the choices of B and h and we set $\rho_{A,\Omega}(x) = h.x$. The map $\rho_{A,\Omega} : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow A$ is the retraction onto A centred at Ω . When $\Omega = \Omega_{\pm\infty}$, i.e when Ω is the germ at infinity of $\pm C_f^v$ and $A = \mathbb{A}$, we write $\rho_{\pm\infty}$ instead of $\rho_{\mathbb{A},\Omega_{\pm\infty}}$.

2.4. A precise decomposition of G_Ω , for Ω a local chamber.

Proposition 2.3. *Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A} \subset \mathcal{S}$ be a non empty set or filter. Suppose that Ω is narrow, almost open and has a good fixator (for example Ω is a local chamber). Then:*

$$G_\Omega = U_\Omega^+.U_\Omega^-.T_0 = U_\Omega^+.T_0.U_\Omega^- = U_\Omega.T_0 = \langle T_0, (U_{\alpha,\Omega})_{\alpha \in \Phi} \rangle,$$

actually $U_\Omega^{pm+} = U_\Omega^+ = U^+ \cap G_\Omega =: U^+(\Omega)$ and $U_\Omega^{nm-} = U_\Omega^- = U^- \cap G_\Omega =: U^-(\Omega)$.

Proof. By § 2.2.4 and the fact that T_0 normalizes $U_\Omega^\pm, U_\Omega^{pm+}, U_\Omega^{nm-}$, one has clearly that $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{pm+}.U_\Omega^-.T_0 = U_\Omega^{pm+}.T_0.U_\Omega^- = U_\Omega^{nm-}.T_0.U_\Omega^+ = U_\Omega^+.T_0.U_\Omega^{nm-}$. But G is a Kac–Moody group, so one has the Birkhoff–Borel decomposition $G = \sqcup_{n \in N} U^+.n.U^-$ and the

uniqueness result $U^- \cap N.U^+ = U^+ \cap N = \{1\}$, see [35, Remark 3.17] and [31, 1.2.4(i) + (RT3)]. In particular in the subset $U^+.T.U^-$ of G , the decomposition is unique. So the third and fifth formula for G_Ω above give $U_\Omega^{pm+} = U_\Omega^+$ and $U_\Omega^{nm-} = U_\Omega^-$. \square

N.B. *The proposition above is a simple improvement of [35, Property 4.13.4] when Ω is moreover almost open. But the trick below in Consequence 2.4.1(2), enables us to get the decomposition of G_x guessed in [35, Property 4.13.5].*

2.4.1. *Consequences.*

- (1) In particular the Iwahori group $I = G_{C_0^+}$ (fixator in G of the fundamental local chamber $C_0^+ = germ_0(C_f^v)$) is $\langle T_0, (U_{\alpha, C_0^+})_{\alpha \in \Phi} \rangle$. This is the same definition as in [10] (given there in the untwisted affine case). This result was also proved in [6, 7.2.2], using the results of [10]. We get here a direct proof and a more general result.
- (2) Let $x \in \mathbb{A}$ and $C_x^\pm = germ_x(x \pm C_f^v)$ be the two opposite chambers at x with respective directions $\pm C_f^v$. Then $U_{C_x^+}^{ma+} = U_x^{ma+}$, hence $U_{C_x^+}^{pm+} = U_x^{pm+}$. So $U_x^{pm+} = U_{C_x^+}^{pm+} = U_{C_x^+}^+ \subset U_x^+ \subset U_x^{pm+}$ and $U_x^{pm+} = U_x^+ = G_x \cap U^+$. Similarly $U_x^{nm-} = U_x^- = G_x \cap U^-$.

So (as x has a good fixator) we get $G_x = U_x^{pm+}.U_x^{nm-}.N_x = U_x^+.U_x^-.N_x = U_x^-.U_x^+.N_x = U_x.N_x = \langle N_x, (U_{\alpha, x})_{\alpha \in \Phi} \rangle$.

When x is a special point $N_x/T_0 = W^v$ and $N_x = N_x^u.T_0$, so $G_x = \langle T_0, (U_{\alpha, x})_{\alpha \in \Phi} \rangle$. Moreover $G_x = P_x^{min} = P_x^{pm} = P_x^{nm}$ with the notations of [35, 4.6.a].

Lemma 2.4. *Let $\mathbb{A}_{in} = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Phi} \ker(\alpha) = \bigcap_{i \in I} \ker(\alpha_i)$ and Ω be a filter on \mathbb{A} . Then we have $G_\Omega = G_{\Omega + \mathbb{A}_{in}}$.*

Proof. We begin by the case where $\Omega = \{x\}$, for some $x \in \mathbb{A}$. Let $y \in x + \mathbb{A}_{in}$. Then we have $U_{\alpha, y} = U_{\alpha, x}$ for all $\alpha \in \Phi$, since $\alpha(x) = \alpha(y)$. Let $n \in N_x$ and $\underline{w} \in W$ be the automorphism of \mathbb{A} induced by n . Write $\underline{w} = a + w$, where $a \in Y$ and $w \in W^v$. Then we have $a = x - w.x$. As W^v fixes \mathbb{A}_{in} , we deduce $y - w.y = a$ and hence \underline{w} fixes y . Otherwise said, n fixes y and we have $N_x \subset N_y$. By symmetry, $N_x = N_y$ and thus $G_x = G_y$. Let now Ω be a nonempty set. Then $G_\Omega = \bigcap_{x \in \Omega} G_x = \bigcap_{x \in \Omega} \bigcap_{y \in x + \mathbb{A}_{in}} G_y = G_{\Omega + \mathbb{A}_{in}}$.

Assume now that Ω is a filter. Let S be a subset of \mathbb{A} . Then $S \in \Omega + \mathbb{A}_{in}$ if and only if there exists $S' \in \Omega$ such that $S = S' + \mathbb{A}_{in}$. Therefore

$$G_{\Omega + \mathbb{A}_{in}} = \bigcup_{S \in \Omega + \mathbb{A}_{in}} G_S = \bigcup_{S' \in \Omega} G_{S' + \mathbb{A}_{in}} = G_\Omega. \quad \square$$

- (3) In particular the fixator $K = G_0$ of the origin point in \mathbb{A} is $K = G_0 = \langle T_0, (U_{\alpha, 0})_{\alpha \in \Phi} \rangle$. This is the same definition as in [10] (given there in the untwisted affine case). This result was also proved in [15, Remark 3.4], using the results of [10]. We get here a direct proof and a more general result.
- (4) Let $x \in \mathbb{A}$ and $F_x \subset \overline{C_x^+}$ be a segment germ or a local facet. Then $U_{C_x^+}^{ma+} = U_{F_x}^{ma+}$ hence $U_{C_x^+}^{pm+} = U_{F_x}^{pm+}$. So

$$U_{F_x}^{pm+} = U_{C_x^+}^{pm+} = U_{C_x^+}^+ \subset U_{F_x}^+ \subset U_{F_x}^{pm+} \quad \text{and} \quad U_{F_x}^{pm+} = U_{F_x}^+ = G_{F_x} \cap U^+.$$

If $F_x \subset \overline{C_x^-}$, then we get $U_{F_x}^{nm-} = U_{F_x}^- = G_{F_x} \cap U^-$. But we do not get the two series of equalities in general.

2.4.2. *Generalization of Proposition 2.4 to the almost-split case.* In § 2.4.1, we obtained a decomposition of the fixator G_Ω of certain filters $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$ and deduced a decomposition of G_x , for $x \in \mathbb{A}$. The advantage of these decompositions is that they involve only the minimal Kac–Moody group G and not its completions. As this result could be interesting on its own, we extend it to almost-split Kac–Moody groups below. This result will not be used in the sequel.

We consider an almost split Kac–Moody group \mathfrak{G} over a field \mathcal{K} endowed with a real valuation ω . We suppose that \mathfrak{G} is quasi-split over a tamely ramified extension and, if \mathfrak{G} is not split, that the valuation ω may be extended functorially and uniquely to any separable extension of \mathcal{K} (e.g. ω is complete). Then, by [36, 6.9], there exists a measure \mathcal{I} with a strongly transitive action of $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ and the fixators G_x of the points in the canonical apartment \mathbb{A} are a very good family of parahorics. For $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$, we write $U_\Omega = \langle U_{\alpha, \Omega} \mid \alpha \in \Phi \rangle \subset G_\Omega$, $U_\Omega^\pm = U_\Omega \cap U^\pm \subset G_\Omega$ and $N_\Omega = N \cap G_\Omega$, where G_Ω is the fixator of Ω in G .

Proposition 2.5. *For any point $x \in \mathbb{A}$, one has $G_x = U_x^+ \cdot U_x^- \cdot N_x = U_x^- \cdot U_x^+ \cdot N_x = U_x \cdot N_x$, $U_x^\pm = G_x \cap U^\pm$. And for any local chamber Ω in \mathbb{A} , one has $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^+ \cdot U_\Omega^- \cdot N_\Omega = U_\Omega^- \cdot U_\Omega^+ \cdot N_\Omega = U_\Omega \cdot N_\Omega$, $U_\Omega^\pm = G_\Omega \cap U^\pm$.*

N.B. *This result is also true if $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$ is narrow, non empty, almost open, with good fixator.*

Proof. When \mathfrak{G} is actually split, the proof is exactly the same as above in § 2.2.4, § 2.4 and § 2.4.1 (1), (2), (3). In the general almost split case, we have mainly to replace T by the centralizer Z of a maximal split subtorus of \mathfrak{G} [l.c. 2.7]. For any vectorial chamber $C^v = \pm w C_f^v \subset \mathbb{A}$, we write $U(C^v) = w U^\pm w^{-1}$ and $U_\Omega(C^v) = U_\Omega \cap U(C^v)$. When $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$ has a good fixator, we have

$$G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{(+)} \cdot U_\Omega^{(-)} \cdot N_\Omega = U_\Omega^{(-)} \cdot U_\Omega^{(+)} \cdot N_\Omega,$$

where $U_\Omega^{(\pm)} = G_\Omega \cap U^\pm \supset U_\Omega^\pm$ [l.c. 4.4.b, 4.5]. We shall use this for Ω a point or a local chamber.

When Ω is a local chamber, $N_\Omega = Z_0 := Z \cap G_\Omega$, $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{(+)} \cdot Z_0 \cdot U_\Omega^{(-)}$ and the Iwasawa decomposition [l.c. 4.3.3] gives $G = U^+ \cdot N \cdot U_\Omega$, so $G_\Omega = (U^+ \cdot N \cap G_\Omega) \cdot U_\Omega$. Now, by the uniqueness in the Birkhoff–Borel decomposition [l.c. 1.6.2],

$$U^+ \cdot N \cap G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{(+)} \cdot Z_0 \cdot U_\Omega^{(-)} \cap U^+ \cdot N \cdot \{1\} = U_\Omega^{(+)} \cdot Z_0;$$

so $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{(+)} \cdot Z_0 \cdot U_\Omega$. But, for $C_1^y, C_2^y \subset \mathbb{A}$ adjacent chambers along the wall $\ker \alpha$ (with $\alpha(C_1^y) \geq 0$), we get from [l.c. 4.4.a] $U_\Omega((C_1^y)) := G_\Omega \cap U(C_1^y) = U_{\alpha, \Omega} \times (G_\Omega \cap U(C_1^y) \cap U(C_2^y))$. From this we deduce, as in [14, Proposition 3.4], that $U_\Omega(C_1^y) \cdot U_\Omega(-C_1^y) \cdot Z_0$ is independent of the choice of the (positive) chamber C_1^y and

$$U_\Omega \subset U_\Omega(C_1^y) \cdot U_\Omega(-C_1^y) \cdot Z_0 = U_\Omega^+ \cdot Z_0 \cdot U_\Omega^-.$$

So $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^{(+)} \cdot Z_0 \cdot U_\Omega^-$ and, symmetrically, $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^+ \cdot Z_0 \cdot U_\Omega^{(-)}$. The uniqueness in the Birkhoff–Borel decomposition gives $U_\Omega^{(\pm)} = U_\Omega^\pm$, hence $G_\Omega = U_\Omega^+ \cdot U_\Omega^- \cdot N_\Omega = U_\Omega^- \cdot U_\Omega^+ \cdot N_\Omega = U_\Omega \cdot N_\Omega$.

For $x \in \mathbb{A}$ and $C_x^\pm = \text{germ}_x(x \pm C_f^y)$, we have $U_x^{(\pm)} = U_{C_x^\pm}^{(\pm)}$ [36, beginning of 4.5.3]. So

$$U_x^{(\pm)} = U_{C_x^\pm}^{(\pm)} = U_{C_x^\pm}^\pm \subset U_x^\pm \subset U_x^{(\pm)} \quad \text{and} \quad U_x^{(\pm)} = U_x^\pm.$$

Now $G_x = U_x^+ \cdot U_x^- \cdot N_x = U_x^- \cdot U_x^+ \cdot N_x$ is equal to $U_x \cdot N_x$, as $U_x^\pm \subset U_x \subset G_x$. □

3. STUDY OF $G_{\mathcal{R}}$, FOR \mathcal{R} A DENSE SUBRING OF A VALUED FIELD \mathcal{K}

Let \mathcal{R} be a dense subring of \mathcal{K} (for the main applications, we make the additional assumption (2.1)). In this section, we study decompositions of $G_{\mathcal{R}}$. Our main results are the Bruhat decomposition and the Iwasawa decompositions of $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ (see Corollaries 3.10 and 3.11). To do that, we study the action of $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ on the measure \mathcal{I} of G . Given a subset P of a \mathcal{K} -apartment, we study the existence of an \mathcal{R} -apartment containing P (see Theorem 3.7). We then deduce the desired decompositions from the corresponding decompositions of G .

3.1. Commutators in \mathfrak{U}^{ma+} . Let $\beta \in \Phi$. We want to understand the actions of $x_{\beta}(u)$ on \mathcal{I} , for $u \in \mathcal{K}$ satisfying $\omega(u) \gg 0$. To do so, we begin by studying commutators in \mathfrak{U}^{ma+} .

For $\alpha, \beta \in \Delta^+$, one would like a formula for the commutators in $[\mathfrak{U}_{\alpha}, \mathfrak{U}_{\beta}]$.

Assume α and β are not collinear. Let $\Psi' = \{p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta^+ \mid p \geq 1, q \geq 0\}$ and $\Psi = \Psi' \cup ((\mathbb{N}_{>0}\beta) \cap \Delta)$. They are closed subsets of Δ^+ . Moreover Ψ' is an ideal of Ψ ; so $\mathfrak{U}_{\Psi'}^{ma}(R) \triangleleft \mathfrak{U}_{\Psi}^{ma}(R)$ by [35, Lemma 3.3].

In particular:

$$X_{\beta}(u_{\beta}).X_{\alpha}(u_{\alpha}).X_{\beta}(u_{\beta})^{-1} = \prod_{\substack{p \geq 1, q \geq 0 \\ p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta}} X_{p\alpha + q\beta}(v_{p\alpha + q\beta}).$$

One chooses an order such that e.g. the height of $p\alpha + q\beta$ is increasing and $u_{\alpha} \in \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R$, $u_{\beta} \in \mathfrak{g}_{\beta, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R$. Then $v_{p\alpha + q\beta} \in \mathfrak{g}_{p\alpha + q\beta, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R$.

We now restrict to the case where β is real.

Proposition 3.1. *Let $\alpha \in \Delta^+$, $\beta \in \Phi^+$, $c_{\alpha} \in \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}}$ and $u, v \in R$. Then*

$$x_{\beta}(u).X_{\alpha}(v.c_{\alpha}).x_{\beta}(-u) = \prod_{\substack{p \geq 1, q \geq 0 \\ p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta}} X_{p\alpha + q\beta}(v^p u^q . c_{p\alpha + q\beta}),$$

for some $c_{p\alpha + q\beta} \in \mathfrak{g}_{p\alpha + q\beta, \mathbb{Z}}$ independent of u and v .

N.B.

- (1) For $p = 1, q = 0$, $c_{p\alpha + q\beta}$ is certainly equal to c_{α} , i.e. the factor on the left of the right hand side is $X_{\alpha}(v.c_{\alpha})$. This is suggested by the notation, but not proven here.
- (2) When α is imaginary and $p \geq 2, q = 0$, one should have $c_{p\alpha} = 0$. But we do not prove this here.

Proof. If α and β are collinear, then $\alpha = \beta$, $\{(p, q) \in \mathbb{N}^* \times \mathbb{N} \mid p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta^+\} = \{(1, 0)\}$ and $x_{\beta}(u)$ and $x_{\alpha}(v)$ commute so the formula is clear in this case. We now assume that α and β are not collinear. From the above formula,

$$\begin{aligned} &x_{\beta}(u).X_{\alpha}(v.c_{\alpha}).x_{\beta}(-u) \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \geq 1, q \geq 0 \\ p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta}} X_{p\alpha + q\beta}(v_{p\alpha + q\beta}(u, v)), \quad \text{with } v_{p\alpha + q\beta}(u, v) \in \mathfrak{g}_{p\alpha + q\beta, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R \end{aligned}$$

and the map $R^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_{p\alpha + q\beta, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes R, (u, v) \mapsto v_{p\alpha + q\beta}(u, v)$ is polynomial (defined over \mathbb{Z}), as we have unipotent groups defined over \mathbb{Z} by [35, § 3.4]. One will determine this polynomial map by using $R = \mathbb{C}$ and $u, v \in \mathbb{C}^*$ (we can assume u, v algebraically independent over \mathbb{Q}).

There exists $t \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{C})$ such that $\alpha(t) = v$ and $\beta(t) = u$, hence $(p\alpha + q\beta)(t) = v^p u^q$. Following the first paragraph of [35, § 3.5], one has $t.X_\gamma(v_\gamma).t^{-1} = X_\gamma(\gamma(t).v_\gamma)$ for $\gamma \in \Delta^+$ and $v_\gamma \in \mathfrak{g}_\gamma$. Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} x_\beta(u).X_\alpha(v.c_\alpha).x_\beta(-u) &= t.x_\beta(1).X_\alpha(c_\alpha).x_\beta(-1).t^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \geq 1, q \geq 0 \\ p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta}} t.X_{p\alpha + q\beta}(v_{p\alpha + q\beta}(1, 1)).t^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \geq 1, q \geq 0 \\ p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta}} X_{p\alpha + q\beta}(v^p u^q.c_{p\alpha + q\beta}), \end{aligned}$$

if one writes $c_{p\alpha + q\beta} = v_{p\alpha + q\beta}(1, 1) \in \mathfrak{g}_{p\alpha + q\beta, \mathbb{Z}}$. □

Lemma 3.2. *One writes $\overline{\mathcal{T}}$ the closed Tits cone in $\mathbb{A} = Y \otimes \mathbb{R} = \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}$, $\overline{\mathcal{T}}^\vee$ its analogue in the dual $\mathbb{A}^* = X \otimes \mathbb{R} = \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}^*$ and $\overline{Z} = \overline{\text{conv}}(\Delta_{im}^+ \cup \{0\})$ the closed convex hull in \mathbb{A}^* (some notations come from [24, § 5.8]). Then,*

- (a) *If Δ is of indefinite type, for any $\alpha \in \Phi = \Delta_{re}$, one has $\alpha^\vee \notin \pm \overline{\mathcal{T}}$,*
- (b) *If Δ is of indefinite type, for any $\alpha \in \Phi = \Delta_{re}$, one has $\alpha \notin \pm \overline{\mathcal{T}}^\vee$,*
- (c) *$\overline{Z} \subset -\overline{\mathcal{T}}^\vee$,*
- (d) *$\Delta_{re} \cap \pm \overline{Z} = \emptyset$.*

Proof. (a) By [24], 5.8.1 and Theorem 5.6.c, one has $\alpha_i^\vee \notin \overline{\mathcal{T}}, \forall i$. Conjugating by the Weyl group, we get (a). Now (b) is the result dual to (a).

(c) One may suppose Δ indecomposable. The result is clear if Δ is of finite type ($\overline{Z} = \{0\}$). In the affine or indefinite case, one considers $K = \{\alpha \in \sum \mathbb{N}\alpha_i \mid \alpha(\alpha_j^\vee) \leq 0, \forall j \text{ and } \text{supp}(\alpha) \text{ connected}\}$ [24, 5.3]. By [24, 5.8 c) or b)] $K \subset -\overline{\mathcal{T}}^\vee$. But $\Delta_{im}^+ = \cup_{w \in W^\vee} w(K)$ by [24, 5.4]; so $\Delta_{im}^+ \subset -\overline{\mathcal{T}}^\vee$ and $\overline{Z} \subset -\overline{\mathcal{T}}^\vee$.

(d) One may suppose Δ indecomposable. The result is clear if Δ is of finite type ($\overline{Z} = \{0\}$) or of affine type ($\overline{Z} = [0, +\infty[\delta$ and no real root is collinear to δ). In the indefinite case (d) is a consequence of (b) and (c). □

3.2. Study of the action of root subgroups on \mathcal{S} . The aim of this subsection is to prove the following lemma. It will enable us to obtain decompositions of $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ from decompositions of G . In the reductive case, this lemma is already known, see [11, Proposition 7.4.33]. The difficulty here is that the number of roots is infinite.

Lemma 3.3. *Let $x \in \mathcal{S}$. Then there exists $a \in \mathbb{A}$ such that U_a^{pm+} fixes x . In particular, if $\alpha \in \Phi^+$, then for $u \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $\omega(u) \gg 0$, $x_\alpha(u)$ fixes x .*

Recall that $\text{ht} : Q \otimes \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as follows: if $(n_i) \in \mathbb{R}^I$, then

$$\text{ht} \left(\sum_{i \in I} n_i \alpha_i \right) = \sum_{i \in I} n_i.$$

Lemma 3.4. *Let $\beta \in \Phi^+$. Then $\inf\{\text{ht}(\frac{\tau}{q}) \mid (q, \tau) \in \mathbb{N}^* \times (Q_+ \setminus \{0\}), \tau + q\beta \in \Delta\} > 0$.*

Proof. Suppose this is not the case and choose $(q_n) \in (\mathbb{N}^*)^{\mathbb{N}}$ and $(\tau_n) \in (Q_+ \setminus \{0\})^{\mathbb{N}}$ such that for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $q_n \beta + \tau_n \in \Delta$ and $\frac{1}{q_n} \text{ht}(\tau_n) \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 0$. Then $\frac{1}{q_n} \tau_n \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 0$. Up to choosing a subsequence of $((q_n, \tau_n))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, we may assume that one of the following two possibilities holds:

- $q_n\beta + \tau_n \in \Delta_{im}^+$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. In this case, $\beta + \frac{1}{q_n}\tau_n \in \overline{Z} = \overline{conv}(\Delta_{im}^+ \cup \{0\})$. So $\beta \in \overline{Z}$: this is impossible since $\Delta_{re} \cap \overline{Z} = \emptyset$ (see Lemma 3.2).
- $q_n\beta + \tau_n \in \Delta_{re}^+$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the rays

$$\mathbb{R}_+^* (q_n\beta + \tau_n) = \mathbb{R}_+^* \left(\beta + \frac{1}{q_n}\tau_n \right),$$

which are generated by real roots, converge to the ray $\mathbb{R}_+^*.\beta$. By [24, Lemma 5.8] one has $\beta \in \overline{Z}$: this is impossible (similarly as above). \square

Lemma 3.5. *Let $b \in \mathbb{A}$, $\beta \in \Phi^+$ and $v \in \mathcal{K}$. Then there exists $a \in b - C_f^v$ such that $x_\beta(v)U_a^{pm+}x_\beta(-v) \subset U_b^{pm+}$.*

Proof. Let $a \in \mathbb{A}$ and $h \in U_a^{pm+}$. By definition of U_a^{pm+} , we can write $h = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} X_\alpha(u_\alpha.c_\alpha)$, where $c_\alpha \in \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}}$, $u_\alpha \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\alpha(a) + \omega(u_\alpha) \geq 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Delta^+$, where Δ^+ is equipped with a total order such that the height is an increasing map for \leq .

Let $\alpha \in \Delta^+$. Set

$$E_\alpha = \left\{ (p, q) \in \mathbb{N}^* \times \mathbb{N} \mid p\alpha + q\beta \in \Delta^+ \right\}.$$

We equip E_α with a total order \leq such that for all $(p, q), (p', q') \in E_\alpha$,

$$(p, q) \leq (p', q') \Rightarrow \text{ht}(p\alpha + q\beta) \leq \text{ht}(p'\alpha + q'\beta).$$

By Proposition 3.1, we have

$$x_\beta(v)X_\alpha(u_\alpha.c_\alpha)x_\beta(-v) = \prod_{(p,q) \in E_\alpha} X_{p\alpha+q\beta} \left(u_\alpha^p v^q c_{(p,q),\alpha} \right), \tag{3.1}$$

where $c_{(p,q),\alpha} \in \mathfrak{g}_{p\alpha+q\beta, \mathbb{Z}}$, for $(p, q) \in E_\alpha$.

Therefore

$$x_\beta(v)hx_\beta(-v) = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \prod_{(p,q) \in E_\alpha} X_{p\alpha+q\beta} \left(u_\alpha^p v^q c_{(p,q),\alpha} \right) \tag{3.2}$$

(the right hand side of this product is well-defined, as for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$, there exist at most finitely many triples (α, p, q) with $\alpha \in \Delta^+$ and $(p, q) \in E_\alpha$ satisfying $\text{ht}(p\alpha + q\beta) = m$).

Let $\alpha \in \Delta^+$. Set

$$\Omega_\alpha(u_\alpha) = \bigcap_{(p,q) \in E_\alpha} \{ a' \in \mathbb{A} \mid (p\alpha + q\beta)(a') + \omega(u_\alpha^p v^q) \geq 0 \}.$$

By (3.2), $x_\beta(v)X_\alpha(u_\alpha.c_\alpha)x_\beta(-v)$ belongs to $U_{\Omega_\alpha(u_\alpha)}^{ma+}$. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_\alpha(u_\alpha) &= \bigcap_{(p,q) \in E_\alpha} \{ a' \in \mathbb{A} \mid p\alpha(a') + q\beta(a') + p\omega(u_\alpha) + q\omega(v) \geq 0 \} \\ &\supset \bigcap_{(p,q) \in E_\alpha} \left\{ a' \in \mathbb{A} \mid \frac{p}{q+1}(\alpha(a') + \omega(u_\alpha)) \geq \max(0, -\beta(a') - \omega(v)) \right\} \\ &\supset \Omega'_\alpha(a) := \bigcap_{(p,q) \in E_\alpha} \left\{ a' \in \mathbb{A} \mid \frac{p}{q+1}(\alpha(a') - \alpha(a)) \geq \max(0, -\beta(a') - \omega(v)) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We are looking for $a \in \mathbb{A}$ such that $b \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \Omega'_\alpha(a)$. Otherwise said, we are looking for $a \in \mathbb{A}$ such that, for all $\alpha \in \Delta^+$ we have

$$\frac{p}{q+1}(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)) \geq \max(0, -\beta(b) - \omega(v)), \quad \forall (p, q) \in E_\alpha. \tag{3.3}$$

Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{A}$ be such that $\alpha_i(\lambda) = 1$ for all $i \in I$. Then $\lambda \in C_f^v$. We search for a in the form $b - n\lambda$, where $n \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Then (3.3) becomes

$$\frac{p}{q+1}n\alpha(\lambda) = n \frac{\text{ht}(p\alpha)}{q+1} \geq \max(0, -\beta(b) - \omega(v)), \quad \forall (p, q) \in E_\alpha. \tag{3.4}$$

If $(p, q) \in E_\alpha$, then $\frac{\text{ht}(p\alpha)}{q+1} = \text{ht}(p\alpha)$ if $q = 0$ and $\frac{\text{ht}(p\alpha)}{q+1} = \frac{\text{ht}(p\alpha)}{q} \frac{q}{q+1} \geq \frac{1}{2} \inf\{\frac{\text{ht}(\tau)}{q} \mid \tau \in Q^+, q \in \mathbb{N}^*, \tau + q\beta \in \Delta^+\} > 0$ if $q > 0$ (by Lemma 3.4). Therefore (3.4) is satisfied for $n \gg 0$, which proves the Lemma 3.5. \square

Lemma 3.6. *Let $b \in \mathbb{A}$ and $g \in U^+$. Then there exists $a \in b - C_f^v$ such that $gU_a^{pm+}g^{-1} \subset U_b^{pm+}$.*

Proof. Write $g = x_{\beta_1}(v_1) \dots x_{\beta_k}(v_k)$, with $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k \in \Phi^+$ and $v_1, \dots, v_k \in \mathcal{K}$. We proceed by induction on k . If $k = 1$, this is Lemma 3.5. We assume that $k \geq 2$ and that there exists $a' \in b - C_f^v$ such that $x_{\beta_1}(v_1) \dots x_{\beta_{k-1}}(v_{k-1})U_{a'}^{pm+}x_{\beta_{k-1}}(-v_{k-1}) \dots x_{\beta_1}(-v_1) \subset U_b^{pm+}$. By Lemma 3.5, there exists $a \in a' - C_f^v$ such that $x_{\beta_k}(v_k)U_a^{pm+}x_{\beta_k}(-v_k) \subset U_{a'}^{pm+}$. Then $gU_a^{pm+}g^{-1} \subset U_b^{pm+}$, which proves the lemma. \square

We can now prove Lemma 3.3: if $x \in \mathcal{I}$, then there exists $a \in \mathbb{A}$ such that U_a^{pm+} fixes x . Indeed, we have $x \in U^+ \cdot \rho_{+\infty}(x)$, where $\rho_{+\infty}$ is defined in 2.3.2. Therefore there exist $g \in U^+$, $b \in \mathbb{A}$ such that $x = g.b$. By Lemma 3.5, there exists $a \in \mathbb{A}$ such that $g^{-1}U_a^{pm+}g \subset U_b^{pm+}$. Then U_a^{pm+} fixes x .

3.3. Bruhat and Iwasawa decomposition.

Theorem 3.7. *Let $A \in \mathcal{A}(G)$ and P be a bounded subset of A . Then there exists $\tilde{A} \in \mathcal{A}(G_{\mathcal{R}})$ such that \tilde{A} contains P . If moreover A contains $\Omega_{\epsilon\infty}$, for some $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$, then we can choose $\tilde{A} = u.\mathbb{A}$, for some $u \in U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$.*

Proof. Write $A = g.\mathbb{A}$, with $g \in G$. By [33, Proposition 1.5], $g = x_{\beta_1}(u_1) \dots x_{\beta_k}(u_k)t$, for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k \in \Phi$, $u_1, \dots, u_k \in \mathcal{K}$ and $t \in T$. As $t.\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}$, we may assume that $t = 1$. For $1 \leq i \leq k$, we choose a sequence $(u_i^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ such that $u_i^{(n)} \rightarrow u_i$.

Let $a \in \mathbb{A}$. Then by Lemma 3.3, for $n \gg 0$, $x_{\beta_1}(u_1^{(n)})^{-1}x_{\beta_1}(u_1)$ fixes $x_{\beta_2}(u_2) \dots x_{\beta_k}(u_k).a$ and thus we have (for $n \gg 0$)

$$x_{\beta_1} \left(u_1^{(n)} \right)^{-1} x_{\beta_1}(u_1)x_{\beta_2}(u_2) \dots x_{\beta_k}(u_k).a = x_{\beta_2}(u_2) \dots x_{\beta_k}(u_k).a.$$

For $n \gg 0$, we have $x_{\beta_2}(u_2^{(n)})^{-1}x_{\beta_2}(u_2)x_{\beta_3}(u_3) \dots x_{\beta_k}(u_k).a = x_{\beta_3}(u_3) \dots x_{\beta_k}(u_k).a$. By induction, we deduce that if $\tilde{g}(n) = x_{\beta_1}(u_1^{(n)}) \dots x_{\beta_k}(u_k^{(n)})$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then we have $\tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g.a = a$ for $n \gg 0$.

Let $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{A}$ be such that $\text{conv}(a_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq m) \supset g^{-1}.P$. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be sufficiently large such that $\tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g$ fixes a_i , for all $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$. Then $a_i \in \tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g.\mathbb{A} \cap \mathbb{A}$ for all i and as $\tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g.\mathbb{A} \cap \mathbb{A}$ is convex, we have

$$g^{-1}.P \subset \mathbb{A} \cap \tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g.\mathbb{A}.$$

Let $h \in G$ be such that $h.\mathbb{A} = \tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g.\mathbb{A}$ and such that h fixes $\mathbb{A} \cap \tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g.\mathbb{A}$. Then $h^{-1}\tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g$ stabilizes \mathbb{A} and induces an affine morphism on it. In particular $h^{-1}\tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g$ fixes $\text{conv}(a_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq m)$. Therefore $\tilde{g}(n)^{-1}g.x = x$, for all $x \in g^{-1}.P$ and in particular, $P \subset \tilde{g}(n).\mathbb{A}$.

Suppose now that A contains $\mathfrak{Q}_{\epsilon\infty}$, for some $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$. Then we can assume that g fixes $A \cap \mathbb{A}$ and thus that g fixes $\mathfrak{Q}_{\epsilon\infty}$. Then $g \in G_{\mathfrak{Q}_{\epsilon\infty}}$ and by § 2.2.4(3) we can assume that $\beta_i \in \Phi^\epsilon$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$. Then $\tilde{g}(n) \in U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$, which concludes the proof of Theorem 3.7. \square

Corollary 3.8.

- (1) We have $\mathcal{S} = G_{\mathcal{R}}.\mathbb{A}$.
- (2) For any local chamber C in \mathcal{S} , there is $u \in U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$ such that $C \subset u.\mathbb{A}$; in particular C and $\mathfrak{Q}_{\epsilon\infty}$ are in a same $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment.

Proof. Let $x \in \mathcal{S}$ (resp. $C \subset \mathcal{S}$). Let $A \in \mathcal{A}(G)$ containing x (resp. containing $C \cup \mathfrak{Q}_{\epsilon\infty}$, by (MA III) in § 2.3.1). Then by applying Theorem 3.7 to $P = \{x\}$ (resp. $P = C$), we get $g \in G_{\mathcal{R}}$ (resp. $u \in U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$) such that $x \in g.\mathbb{A}$ (resp. $C \subset u.\mathbb{A}$). \square

We now assume that \mathcal{R}^* contains an element ϖ such that $\omega(\varpi) = 1$ (this is Assumption 2.1). Recall that we have $\nu(N_{\mathcal{R}}) = W^v \rtimes Y$. Let $W^+ = W^v \rtimes Y^+ \subset W^v \rtimes Y$, where $Y^+ = Y \cap \mathcal{T}$.

Proposition 3.9. *Let $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}(G_{\mathcal{R}})$. Then there exists $g \in G_{\mathcal{R}}$ fixing $A_1 \cap A_2$ such that $A_2 = g.A_1$.*

N.B. In this proposition, we may replace $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ by any subgroup G' of G containing $G_{\mathcal{R}}$.

Proof. We may assume $A_1 = \mathbb{A}$. Let $g_1 \in G_{\mathcal{R}}$ be such that $A_2 = g_1.\mathbb{A}$. By (MA II), there exists $g_2 \in G$ fixing $\mathbb{A} \cap A_2$ such that $A_2 = g_2.\mathbb{A}$. Hence $g_1^{-1}g_2$ stabilizes \mathbb{A} and thus it belongs to N . As $\nu(N) = \nu(N_{\mathcal{R}}) = W$, there exists $n_{\mathcal{R}} \in N_{\mathcal{R}}$ such that $n_{\mathcal{R}}^{-1}g_1^{-1}g_2$ fixes \mathbb{A} . Then $g := g_1n_{\mathcal{R}}$ satisfies the condition of the proposition. \square

Recall that two filters Ω_1, Ω_2 are said to be $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -friendly if there exists $A \in \mathcal{A}(G_{\mathcal{R}})$ containing $\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$. Recall that $C_0^+ = \text{germ}_0(C_f^v)$. The following result is probably not new in the reductive case, but we could not find a reference in this case.

Corollary 3.10 (Bruhat decomposition).

- (1) Let $x, y \in \mathcal{S}$ and F_x, F_y be two facets based at x and y respectively. Then if x, y are G -friendly, F_x, F_y are $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -friendly. This is in particular the case if $x \leq y$.
- (2) Let $I_{\mathcal{R}}$ be the fixator of C_0^+ in $G_{\mathcal{R}}$. Then

$$G_{\mathcal{R}}^+ = I_{\mathcal{R}}W^+I_{\mathcal{R}}.$$

Proof. By [20, Proposition 5.17], there exists $A \in \mathcal{A}(G)$ containing $\tilde{F}_x \cup \tilde{F}_y$. Let $P \subset A$ be a bounded element of $F_x \cup F_y$. Then by Theorem 3.7, there exists $\tilde{A} \in \mathcal{A}(G_{\mathcal{R}})$ containing P . Then \tilde{A} contains $F_x \cup F_y$, which proves (1).

Let $h \in G_{\mathcal{R}}^+$. Then $h.0 \geq 0$ and thus there exists $A \in \mathcal{A}(G)$ containing C_0^+ and $h.C_0^+$. Let $g \in G$ be such that $A = g.\mathbb{A}$ and g fixes $A \cap \mathbb{A}$. Then by Theorem 3.7 and Proposition 3.9, there exists $\tilde{g} \in G_{\mathcal{R}}$ such that $\tilde{g}.\mathbb{A}$ contains C_0^+ and $h.C_0^+$ and such that \tilde{g} fixes C_0^+ . We have $h.0 \geq 0$ and hence $\tilde{g}^{-1}h.0 \geq \tilde{g}^{-1}.0 = 0$. Therefore $\tilde{g}^{-1}h.C_0^+ \subset \mathbb{A}$ is an element of $W^+.C_0^+$ and hence there exists $n \in N_{\mathcal{R}}$ (inducing an element of W^+ on \mathbb{A}) such that $\tilde{g}^{-1}h.C_0^+ = n.C_0^+$. Then $n^{-1}\tilde{g}^{-1}h \in I_{\mathcal{R}}$ and thus $h \in \tilde{g}nI_{\mathcal{R}} = I_{\mathcal{R}}W^+I_{\mathcal{R}}$. \square

Recall the definition of “narrow” and of the f_{Ω} from § 2.2.4.

Corollary 3.11 (Iwasawa decomposition). *Let $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$ and Ω be a narrow filter on \mathbb{A} . Then we have $G_{\mathcal{R}} = U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}.N_{\mathcal{R}}.(G_{\Omega} \cap G_{\mathcal{R}})$. In particular, we have $G_{\mathcal{R}} = U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}.N_{\mathcal{R}}.I_{\mathcal{R}}$.*

Proof. By definition of the f_Ω , we have $\Omega \subset D(\alpha, f_\Omega(\alpha))$, for all $\alpha \in \Phi$. In particular, $\Omega \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} D(\alpha_i, f_\Omega(\alpha_i)) \cap D(-\alpha_i, f_\Omega(-\alpha_i))$, for all $i \in I$. As Ω is narrow, we deduce that $\Omega \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} D(\alpha_i, f_\Omega(\alpha_i)) \cap D(-\alpha_i, -f_\Omega(\alpha_i) + 1)$. Therefore the image of Ω in $\mathbb{A}/\mathbb{A}_{in}$ is bounded, where $\mathbb{A}_{in} = \bigcap_{i \in I} \ker(\alpha_i)$. Hence there exists a bounded filter $\Omega' \subset \mathbb{A}$ such that $\Omega \subset \Omega' + \mathbb{A}_{in}$. By Lemma 2.4, we have $G_\Omega = G_{\Omega'}$ and thus we can assume that Ω is bounded.

Let $g \in G_{\mathcal{R}}$. Then by the Iwasawa decomposition ([35, Proposition 4.7]), there exists $A \in \mathcal{A}(G)$ containing $\Omega_{\epsilon\infty}$ and $g.\Omega$. By Theorem 3.7, there exists $u \in U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$ such that $u.A$ contains $g.\Omega$. Then $u^{-1}g.\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$.

Let $h \in G_{\mathcal{R}}$ be such that $hu^{-1}g.A = \mathbb{A}$ and h fixes $\mathbb{A} \cap u^{-1}g.A$, see Proposition 3.9. Then $hu^{-1}g.A = \mathbb{A}$ and thus $n := hu^{-1}g \in N_{\mathcal{R}}$. We have $n|_\Omega = u^{-1}g|_\Omega$, so $n^{-1}u^{-1}g \in G_{\mathcal{R}} \cap G_\Omega$. □

Remark 3.12. Let G' be a subgroup of G containing $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ (or more generally a subgroup of G containing $U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$ and $N_{\mathcal{R}}$, for some $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$). Then the proof of Corollary 3.11 actually shows that G' admits an Iwasawa decomposition:

$$G' = U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}.N_{\mathcal{R}}.(G_\Omega \cap G'), \text{ for } \epsilon \in \{-, +\}.$$

If we write an element of G' , $g = unh$, with $u \in U_{\mathcal{R}}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$ (or $u \in U^\epsilon$), $n \in N_{\mathcal{R}}$ (or $n \in N$) and $h \in G_\Omega$, then we have clearly that $\rho_{\epsilon\infty}(g.\Omega) = n.\Omega$. So the class of n in $W = N_{\mathcal{R}}/H = N/\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{R})$ is well determined by g , up to the right multiplication by the fixator in W of Ω .

3.4. The twin building at infinity, sector germs and $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartments.

3.4.1. The Kac–Moody group $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ acts on a twin building ${}^v\mathcal{S}$, see e.g. [31]. It is the disjoint union of two buildings, the positive one ${}^v\mathcal{S}^+$ and the negative one ${}^v\mathcal{S}^-$. Actually ${}^v\mathcal{S}^\pm$ is covered by a family $\mathcal{A}^\pm(G)$ of vectorial G -apartments permuted transitively by G , more precisely in bijection with G/N , hence also in bijection with the set $\mathcal{A}(G)$ of G -apartments in the measure \mathcal{S} .

The canonical apartment of sign \pm is ${}^v\mathbb{A}^\pm = \pm\mathcal{T} \subset \mathbb{A}$, with its vectorial facets of sign \pm (as defined in § 2.1). The stabilizer (and fixator) of the canonical vectorial chamber $\pm C_f^v$ is the Borel subgroup $B^\pm = TU^\pm$. As G acts transitively on the vectorial chambers of sign \pm , the set of these chambers is G/B^\pm .

One writes ${}^v\mathcal{A}^\pm(G_{\mathcal{R}}) = G_{\mathcal{R}}.{}^v\mathbb{A}^\pm$ the set of vectorial $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartments of sign \pm .

3.4.2. On another hand, G permutes transitively the sector germs of sign \pm in \mathcal{S} and the fixator of $\Omega_{\pm\infty} = \text{germ}_\infty(\pm C_f^v)$ is $G_{\Omega_{\pm\infty}} = T_0U^\pm$ (see § 2.2.4(3)). Clearly $B^\pm = TU^\pm$ stabilizes $\Omega_{\pm\infty}$, and the stabilizer is actually reduced to B^\pm : as (B^\pm, N) is a BN pair in G , a subgroup of G strictly greater than B^\pm should contain a simple reflection in W^v , which does not stabilize $\Omega_{\pm\infty}$.

We get bijections

$$\begin{aligned} \{\text{sector germs of sign } \pm\} &\leftrightarrow G/B^\pm && \leftrightarrow \{\text{vectorial chambers of sign } \pm\}, \\ g.\Omega_{\pm\infty} &\leftrightarrow \bar{g} \in G/B^\pm && \leftrightarrow g.(\pm C_f^v). \end{aligned}$$

These bijections are compatible with the above bijections between apartments: $g.\Omega_{\pm\infty} \subset h.A \iff h^{-1}g \in N.G_{\Omega_{\pm\infty}} = N.U^\pm = N.B^\pm \iff g.(\pm C_f^v) \subset h.{}^v\mathbb{A}^\pm$, for any $g, h \in G$.

Lemma 3.13. *We assume that \mathcal{R} is principal and that \mathcal{K} is its ring of fractions. Then any sector germ in \mathcal{S} (resp. any vectorial chamber in ${}^v\mathcal{S}^\pm$) is contained in a $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment (resp. a vectorial $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment).*

N.B.

- (1) The hypothesis that \mathcal{K} is the field of fractions of \mathcal{R} is clearly necessary, as we know that some sector germs in the measure $\widehat{\mathcal{S}}$ of \mathfrak{G} over the completion $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}$ of \mathcal{K} are not in a G -apartment.
- (2) Actually for this result, there is no need to assume that \mathcal{R} is dense in \mathcal{K} .

Proof. By § 3.4.2, in particular the last equivalences, we may concentrate on the case of ${}^v\mathcal{S}^\pm$. We use induction on the distance of a vectorial chamber to a vectorial $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment. Using galleries, we are reduced to prove that, if C_1, C_2 are adjacent chambers in ${}^v\mathcal{S}^\pm$ and C_1 is in a vectorial $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment, then so is C_2 . The set of chambers containing the common panel of C_1 and C_2 is isomorphic to the projective line $\mathbb{P}_1(\mathcal{K})$ and the induced action of the fixator in G (resp. $G_{\mathcal{R}}$) of this panel on $\mathbb{P}_1(\mathcal{K})$ is induced by an action of $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{K}) \subset G$ (resp. $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{R}) \subset G_{\mathcal{R}}$). But, as \mathcal{R} is a principal ideal domain with field of fractions \mathcal{K} , we know that $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{R})$ acts transitively on $\mathbb{P}_1(\mathcal{K})$ (see e.g. [9, 1.17] or [27, 8.124 p. 265]). Our result follows. \square

Proposition 3.14. *We assume that \mathcal{R} is a principal ideal domain, that \mathcal{K} is its field of fractions (and that \mathcal{R} is dense in \mathcal{K} for the valuation ω). We assume moreover that \mathcal{R} satisfies assumption (2.1). If a sector germ $\Omega \subset \mathcal{S}$ and a bounded set $P \subset \mathcal{S}$ are G -friendly (i.e. contained in a same G -apartment), then they are also $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -friendly (i.e. contained in a same $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment).*

Remark 3.15.

- (a) A sector germ and a bounded subset of an apartment are not always contained in a same apartment (even for the complete system of apartments of an affine building). Think to the case of a tree.
- (b) This proposition generalizes Theorem 3.7 (for some \mathcal{R}) in a framework similar to Iwasawa decomposition. But it is actually a simple corollary of this theorem.
- (c) As a particular case of this proposition, we have that any local chamber (or facet) and any sector germ in \mathcal{S} are contained in a $G_{\mathcal{R}}$ -apartment.

Proof. By Lemma 3.13, one may suppose (up to the action of $G_{\mathcal{R}}$) that $\Omega \subset \mathbb{A}$ and even $\Omega = \Omega_{\pm\infty}$ (using the action of $N_{\mathcal{R}}$). Then the proposition is an easy consequence of Theorem 3.7. \square

4. STUDY OF THE ACTION OF G_{twin} ON THE TWIN MASURE

Let \mathbb{k} be any field, $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$ and $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$, where ϖ is an indeterminate. In this section, we study the groups $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$, $G_{\text{twin}} = G_{\mathcal{O}}$ (see § 2.2.1 for the definitions of G and $G_{\mathcal{O}}$) and an other group G_{pol} lying between G and G_{twin} (see § 4.1.2 for the definition). Let $\omega_{\oplus} : \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$ (resp. $\omega_{\ominus} : \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$) be the valuation such that $\omega_{\oplus}(\varpi) = 1$ (resp. $\omega_{\ominus}(\varpi^{-1}) = 1$). Let \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} (resp. \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}) be the measure associated with $(\mathfrak{G}, \mathbb{k}(\varpi), \omega_{\oplus})$ (resp. $(\mathfrak{G}, \mathbb{k}(\varpi^{-1}), \omega_{\ominus})$). We study the action of these three groups on the twin measure $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus} \times \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}$.

In § 4.1 we introduce the framework.

In § 4.2, we prove the existence, for any two apartments A_1, A_2 of $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus} \times \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}$, of an element $g \in G_{\text{twin}}$ (or G_{pol}) such that $g.A_1 = A_2$ and g fixes $A_1 \cap A_2$.

In § 4.3, we study the existence of an apartment of $\mathcal{I}_\oplus \times \mathcal{I}_\ominus$ containing $E_\oplus \cup E_\ominus$, for certain pairs of filters $E_\oplus \subset \mathcal{I}_\oplus$, $E_\ominus \subset \mathcal{I}_\ominus$. Equivalently, we are interested in certain decompositions of G_{twin} (or G_{pol}).

4.1. The groups G_{twin} and G_{pol} .

4.1.1. *The field.* Let \mathbb{k} be any field (e.g. a finite field) and ϖ be an indeterminate. The field of rational functions over \mathbb{k} is written $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$. Then \mathcal{K} is a global field when \mathbb{k} is finite and is a function field over \mathbb{k} in any case. We refer to [38, 1] for more details on this subject.

A valuation ring on \mathcal{K}/\mathbb{k} is a ring $\mathcal{O}' \subset \mathcal{K}$ such that $\mathbb{k} \subsetneq \mathcal{O}' \subsetneq \mathcal{K}$ and such that for all $z \in \mathcal{K}$, we have either $z \in \mathcal{O}'$ or $z^{-1} \in \mathcal{O}'$. Such a ring is local (i.e it has a unique maximal ideal $\mathfrak{v}_{\mathcal{O}'}$). A set of the form $\mathfrak{v} = \mathfrak{v}_{\mathcal{O}'}$, for a valuation ring \mathcal{O}' , is called a place of \mathcal{K} (over \mathbb{k}). Then \mathcal{O}' is uniquely determined by \mathfrak{v} .

If P is a monic irreducible polynomial of $\mathbb{k}[\varpi]$, then there exists a unique valuation $\omega_P : \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$ such that $\omega_P(\mathbb{k}^*P) = \{1\}$. Then $\mathfrak{v}_P := \{z \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \mid \omega_P(z) \geq 0\}$ is a place of \mathcal{K} . We write ω_\oplus instead of ω_ϖ . Let $\omega_\ominus : \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$ be the valuation such that $\omega_\ominus(\mathbb{k}^*\varpi^{-1}) = \{1\}$. Then ω_\ominus defines a place of \mathcal{K} . We denote by \oplus (resp. \ominus) the place associated with ω_\oplus (resp. ω_\ominus). By [38, Theorem 1.1.2], every place of \mathcal{K} is either equal to \ominus or to \mathfrak{v}_P for some monic irreducible element P of $\mathbb{k}[\varpi]$. Note that \ominus is often called the place at infinity of \mathcal{K} , which explains why we sometimes index the objects related to \ominus with an “ ∞ ”. If \mathfrak{v} is a place of \mathcal{K} , we denote by $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}} = \{x \in \mathcal{K} \mid \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(x) \geq 0\} = \mathcal{K}_{\omega_{\mathfrak{v}} \geq 0}$) the associated valuation (resp. valuation ring). We have $\mathcal{O}_\oplus = \mathbb{k}[\varpi][[(1 + \varpi\mathbb{k}[\varpi])^{-1}]]$ and $\mathcal{O}_\infty = \mathcal{O}_\ominus = \mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][[(1 + \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}])^{-1}]]$.

We also set $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}] = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty} \mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}$.

One may write $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ the completion of \mathcal{K} with respect to $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ its ring of integers; $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is a “local” field (a true local field if \mathbb{k} is finite). In particular $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_\oplus = \mathbb{k}((\varpi))$ (resp. $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_\infty = \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_\ominus = \mathbb{k}((\varpi^{-1}))$) and $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_\oplus = \mathbb{k}[[\varpi]]$ (resp. $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_\infty = \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_\ominus = \mathbb{k}[[\varpi^{-1}]]$).

Remark 4.1. Our main motivation for this work is the definition of Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials in the Kac–Moody setting. For this, we could restrict ourselves to the case where \mathbb{k} is finite. This assumption is important when we count the number of lifts of a path (to obtain finiteness results) but for many results, it would not simplify our proofs to make this assumption. This is why for most results we make no assumption on \mathbb{k} .

4.1.2. *The Kac–Moody group, measures and the groups G_{twin} and G_{pol} .*

(1) **The measures.**

- Let $\mathcal{S} = (A, X, Y, (\alpha_i)_{i \in I}, (\alpha_i^\vee)_{i \in I})$ be a root generating system (as defined in § 2.1.1) and $\mathfrak{G} = \mathfrak{G}_{\mathcal{S}}$ be the associated Kac–Moody group described in § 2.2.1. We set $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$.
- Let \mathfrak{v} be a place of \mathcal{K} . We denote by $\widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ the measure associated with $(\mathfrak{G}, \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$ and by $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ the measure associated with $(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$ (see § 2.3). Let $G_{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathfrak{G}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$. By [36, 5.8 3], the inclusion $G \times \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \hookrightarrow G_{\mathfrak{v}} \times \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ induces a G -equivariant inclusion $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and we identify $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ with its image in $\widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$.
- The apartments of $\widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$) are the subsets $g \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \subset \widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$, for $g \in G_{\mathfrak{v}}$ (resp. $g \in G$). One writes $\mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}(G_{\mathfrak{v}})$ (resp. $\mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}(G)$) the set of these apartments. They are associated respectively to the set of maximal split tori of \mathfrak{G} over $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and \mathcal{K} . By Corollary 3.8 $\widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is the union of all apartments in $\mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}(G)$ (hence also in $\mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}(G_{\mathfrak{v}})$). Otherwise said, $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} = \widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ as a set.

- The group $G_{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathfrak{G}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ acts on $\widehat{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. The stabilizer of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in $G_{\mathfrak{v}}$ (resp. G) is $\mathfrak{N}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ (resp. $N = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})$).
 - The group $\mathfrak{T}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ acts by translations: to $t \in \mathfrak{T}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ is associated the translation of vector v , where $v \in \mathbb{A}$ is determined by $\chi(v) = -\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(\chi(t))$, for any $\chi \in X$ (hence χ in the dual of \mathbb{A}). The group of vectors of all these translations is Y .
 - The action of $n \in \mathfrak{N}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ is affine with associated linear map the action of the class \bar{n} of n in the Weyl group $W^{\vee} = \mathfrak{N}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})/\mathfrak{T}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}}) = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})/\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) = \mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k})/\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$ (this group acts \mathbb{Z} -linearly on Y , hence \mathbb{R} -linearly on \mathbb{A}).
 - One may choose an origin $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in such a way that $\mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k})$ fixes $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Then the image $W_{\mathfrak{v}}$ of $\mathfrak{N}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ or $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})$ in the affine group of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is identified with $W^{\vee} \ltimes Y$.
 - If $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$, we set $C_{f,\mathfrak{v}}^{\vee} = \{x \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \mid \alpha_i(x) > 0, \forall i \in I\}$. We set $C_{\oplus} = \text{germ}_{0_{\oplus}}(C_{f,\oplus}^{\vee}) \subset \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$ and $C_{\infty} = C_{\ominus} = \text{germ}_{0_{\ominus}}(-C_{f,\ominus}^{\vee}) \subset \mathbb{A}_{\ominus}$. These are the fundamental local chambers of \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} and \mathcal{I}_{\ominus} .
- (2) **The twin group.** We want to study the group of \mathcal{O} -points of \mathfrak{G} (where $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$). As mentioned before, this notion is not well defined. We studied the group $G_{\mathcal{O}} = \langle \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}), (\mathfrak{U}_{\alpha}(\mathcal{O}))_{\alpha \in \Phi} \rangle$ in § 3. We now denote this group by G_{twin} . As suggested by Muthiah, it seems also natural to study the group G_{pol} , more “adelic” in nature, defined below. We will use the fact that G_{twin} is a subgroup of G_{pol} in our study of G_{twin} .

The group G_{pol} is the subgroup of G consisting of the elements $g \in G$ such that for every place \mathfrak{v} of \mathcal{K} different from \oplus and \ominus , we have $g \in \mathfrak{G}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$.

As $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is not a field, there are several possible definitions for $\mathfrak{G}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$. We define it as the fixator of the point $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ for the action of G on the measure $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$. By [22, Proposition 3.1], we actually have $\mathfrak{G}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathfrak{v}}) = \mathfrak{G}^{\text{min}}(\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathfrak{v}})$, where $\mathfrak{G}^{\text{min}}$ is the minimal group defined by Marquis. The group G_{pol} contains G_{twin} .

Actually $N_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}), T_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O})$ and $U_{\alpha, \text{twin}} = \mathfrak{U}_{\alpha}(\mathcal{O})$ are well defined as $\mathfrak{N}, \mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{U}_{\alpha}$ are algebraic groups over \mathbb{k} . We have $N_{\text{twin}} = N_{\mathcal{O}}$, for the notation of § 2.2.2.

We denote by I_{\oplus} (resp. I_{\ominus}) the fixator of C_{\oplus} (resp. C_{\ominus}) in G . We denote by I_{twin} (resp. I_{∞}) the fixator of C_{\oplus} (resp. C_{\ominus}) in G_{twin} and by I_{pol} the fixator of C_{\oplus} in G_{pol} .

Remark 4.2. When \mathfrak{G} is a split reductive group over \mathbb{k} , it is a well defined functor over the \mathbb{k} -algebras and we saw in § 2.2.1 that $G_{\mathcal{O}}$ (as defined in § 1.2.1) is equal to $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O})$. So $G_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O}) = \mathfrak{G}(\cap_{\mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty} \mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}) = \cap_{\mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty} \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}})$. And $\mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ is the fixator in G of $0_{\mathfrak{v}} \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$, by [11, 6.13.b, 7.1 and 7.4.4]. So $G_{\text{twin}} = G_{\text{pol}}$ in this reductive case.

One may ask whether $G_{\text{twin}} = G_{\text{pol}}$ in general. The answer is unknown. For affine SL_n and $n = 2$, the answer is unknown, but for $n \geq 3$ there is equality, see Remark 6.9.

4.1.3. *Affine roots.* Following [10, Appendix B] there is a system of affine roots:

$$\Phi_a = \Phi \times \mathbb{Z} = \{\underline{\alpha} = \alpha + r\xi \mid \alpha \in \Phi, r \in \mathbb{Z}\}, \text{ where } \xi \text{ is a symbol (see also below).}$$

$$\Phi_{a+}^+ = \{\alpha + r\xi \mid \alpha \in \Phi^+, r \geq 0\} \quad ; \quad \Phi_{a-}^+ = \{\alpha + r\xi \mid \alpha \in \Phi^+, r < 0\}$$

$$\Phi_{a+}^- = \{\alpha + r\xi \mid \alpha \in \Phi^-, r > 0\} \quad ; \quad \Phi_{a-}^- = \{\alpha + r\xi \mid \alpha \in \Phi^-, r \leq 0\}$$

$$\Phi_{a+} = \Phi_{a+}^+ \cup \Phi_{a+}^- \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi_{a-} = -\Phi_{a+} = \Phi_{a-}^- \cup \Phi_{a-}^+$$

So Φ_{a+} may be considered as a system of positive roots in Φ_a ; but there is no associated basis (as Φ^- has no smallest root).

One may consider the vector space $\mathbb{A}_{twin} = \mathbb{A} \oplus \mathbb{R}$. So Φ_a is a set of linear forms on \mathbb{A}_{twin} : $\alpha \in \Phi \subset X$ is a linear form on \mathbb{A} and we set $\alpha(\mathbb{R}) = \{0\}$; $\xi(\mathbb{A}) = \{0\}$ and $\xi|_{\mathbb{R}} = Id|_{\mathbb{R}}$. \mathbb{A}_{twin} contains three interesting subspaces $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} = \mathbb{A} \oplus \{1\}$, $\mathbb{A}_{\ominus} = \mathbb{A} \oplus \{-1\}$ (affine subspaces) and ${}^v\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A} \oplus \{0\}$.

If $\mathfrak{v} = \oplus$ or $\mathfrak{v} = \ominus$, $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is the (canonical) apartment associated to \mathfrak{T} in the measure $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$, see § 4.1.2(2) above.

${}^v\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}$ is, more or less, the (twin) apartment associated to \mathfrak{T} in the twin building ${}^v\mathcal{S} = {}^v\mathcal{S}^+ \cup {}^v\mathcal{S}^-$ of \mathfrak{G} over \mathcal{K} . Actually the (twin) apartment is the union of ${}^v\mathbb{A}^+ = \mathcal{T} \subset {}^v\mathcal{S}^+$ and ${}^v\mathbb{A}^- = -\mathcal{T} \subset {}^v\mathcal{S}^-$, where \mathcal{T} is the Tits cone in \mathbb{A} (see § 2.1.2(1)).

4.1.4. *The affine Weyl group.* To each $\underline{\alpha} = \alpha + s\xi \in \Phi_a$ is associated a reflection $r_{\underline{\alpha}}$ in \mathbb{A}_{twin} with respect to the hyperplane (=wall) $M_{twin}(\underline{\alpha})$ with equation $(\alpha + s\xi)(x, p) = 0$: $r_{\alpha+s\xi}(x, p) = (x - (\alpha(x) + sp)\alpha^{\vee}, p)$.

On ${}^v\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}$ it acts as r_{α} (reflection associated to the root α , with respect to the wall $\ker \alpha$). On $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} = \mathbb{A} \oplus \{1\} \simeq \mathbb{A}$ (resp. $\mathbb{A}_{\ominus} = \mathbb{A} \oplus \{-1\} \simeq \mathbb{A}$) it acts as the usual reflection $r_{\alpha, s}^{\oplus}$ (resp. $r_{\alpha, -s}^{\ominus}$) with respect to the affine hyperplane (=wall) $M_{\oplus}(\alpha + s)$ (resp. $M_{\ominus}(\alpha - s)$) with equation $\alpha(x) + s = 0$ (resp. $\alpha(x) - s = 0$); its associated linear map is r_{α} .

Clearly the generated group is $W_a = W^{\vee} \times Q^{\vee}$ where $Q^{\vee} = \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} \mathbb{Z}\alpha^{\vee} = \oplus \mathbb{Z}\alpha_i^{\vee}$ acts by transvections: $\alpha^{\vee} * (x, p) = (x + p\alpha^{\vee}, p)$. The group W_a is not a Coxeter group in general.

4.1.5. *The root groups in G_{twin} .* For $\underline{\alpha} = \alpha + s\xi \in \Phi_a$ there is a group embedding $x_{\underline{\alpha}} : (\mathbb{k}, +) \rightarrow U_{\alpha}$, $a \mapsto x_{\alpha}(\varpi^s \cdot a)$. Its image is the group $U_{\alpha+s\xi} = x_{\alpha+s\xi}(\mathbb{k}) \subset G_{twin} \subset G$. Then $U_{\alpha, twin} = \mathfrak{U}_{\alpha}(\mathcal{O}) = \langle U_{\alpha+s\xi} \mid s \in \mathbb{Z} \rangle = \bigoplus_{s \in \mathbb{Z}} U_{\alpha+s\xi}$.

The link with the groups ${}^{\flat}U_{\alpha, r}$ of § 2.3.1 is as follows: $\oplus U_{\alpha, r} = (\oplus U_{\alpha, r+1}) \times U_{\alpha+r\xi}$, $\oplus U_{\alpha, r} / (\oplus U_{\alpha, r+1}) \simeq U_{\alpha+r\xi}$. But $\ominus U_{\alpha, r} = x_{\alpha}(\mathcal{K}_{\omega_{-} \geq r}) = (\ominus U_{\alpha, r+1}) \times U_{\alpha-r\xi}$, $\ominus U_{\alpha, r} / (\ominus U_{\alpha, r+1}) \simeq U_{\alpha-r\xi}$.

We may consider the action of G on $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus} \sqcup \mathcal{I}_{\ominus} \sqcup {}^v\mathcal{S} \supset \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \sqcup \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \sqcup {}^v\mathbb{A}$. Then, by § 2.3.1, the fixed point set of $x_{\alpha+s\xi}(k)$ (for $k \in \mathbb{k}^*$) in $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \sqcup \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \sqcup {}^v\mathbb{A}$ is the intersection $D_{\oplus}(\alpha + s) \sqcup D_{\ominus}(\alpha - s) \sqcup D^{\vee}(\alpha)$ of the half-apartment $D_{twin}(\alpha + s\xi) = \{a \in \mathbb{A} \mid (\alpha + s\xi)(a) \geq 0\}$ with $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \sqcup \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \sqcup {}^v\mathbb{A}$. (Recall that $\xi = 1$ (resp. $\xi = -1$, $\xi = 0$) on \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} (resp. \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} , ${}^v\mathbb{A}$).

Lemma 4.3. *For any $\alpha \in \Phi$, one has $U_{\alpha, twin} = U_{\alpha} \cap G_{twin} = U_{\alpha} \cap G_{pol}$.*

Proof. One has $U_{\alpha, twin} \subset U_{\alpha} \cap G_{twin} \subset U_{\alpha} \cap G_{pol}$. If $x_{\alpha}(a) \in U_{\alpha} \cap G_{pol}$ (with $a \in \mathcal{K}$), then, $\forall \mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty$, $x_{\alpha}(a)$ fixes $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in $\mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$, so $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(a) \geq 0$ and $a \in \mathcal{O}$, $x_{\alpha}(a) \in U_{\alpha, twin}$. \square

For $\varepsilon = +$ or $\varepsilon = -$, one considers $U_{twin}^{\varepsilon\varepsilon} = U_{\mathcal{O}}^{\varepsilon\varepsilon} = \langle U_{\alpha+s\xi} \mid \alpha + s\xi \in \Phi_{a-}^{\varepsilon} \cup \Phi_{a+}^{\varepsilon} \rangle \subset U^{\varepsilon}$.

Let us define also $U_{twin}^{\varepsilon} := U^{\varepsilon} \cap G_{twin}$ and $U_{pol}^{\varepsilon} := U^{\varepsilon} \cap G_{pol}$.

Clearly $U_{twin}^{\varepsilon\varepsilon} \subset U_{twin}^{\varepsilon} \subset U_{pol}^{\varepsilon}$. As we saw in § 2.2.1, the first inclusion is strict in general. For the second inclusion one does not know whether it may be an equality.

4.1.6. *The group $N_{twin} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O})$ (= N_{pol}).* We have $\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k}) \subset \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}) = T_{twin} \subset T = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K})$. For $\lambda \in Y = Hom(\mathfrak{Mult}, \mathfrak{T})$, we may define $\varpi^{\lambda} := \lambda(\varpi) \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}) = T_{twin}$, as $\varpi \in \mathcal{O}^*$.

Then one has:

$$T_{twin} = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}) = \left\{ h \cdot \varpi^{\lambda} \mid h \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k}), \lambda \in Y \right\},$$

$$N_{twin} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = \left\{ n_0 \cdot \varpi^{\lambda} \mid n_0 \in \mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k}), \lambda \in Y \right\},$$

and the Weyl group is

$$W := N_{\text{twin}}/\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k}) = \left\{ w.\varpi^\lambda \mid w \in W^\vee, \lambda \in Y \right\} = W^\vee \ltimes Y.$$

Actually the image of $n_0.\varpi^\lambda \in N_{\text{twin}}$ in $N_{\text{twin}}/\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$ is $w.\varpi^\lambda$ if the class of $n_0 \in \mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k})$ in $\mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k})/\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$ is w .

All this may be seen e.g. from [40] page 204: $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O})$ is generated by $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O})$ and elements m_i such that $m_i t m_i^{-1} = r_i(t)$ (for $t \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O})$), the m_i satisfy the braid relations and $m_i^2 = \eta_i \in \text{Hom}(Y, \mathbb{C}^*)$ such that $\eta_i(\lambda) = (-1)^{\langle \lambda, \alpha_i^\vee \rangle}$, i.e. with classical notation $\eta_i = (-1)^{\alpha_i^\vee}$ (see e.g. the relation $\tilde{s}(-1) = (\tilde{s})^{-1} = \tilde{s}.(-1)^{\alpha_i^\vee}$ in [31, p. 196]).

N.B.

- (1) In particular, for $\mathfrak{v} = \oplus$ or $\mathfrak{v} = \ominus$, $W_{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})/\{t \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) \mid \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(\chi(t)) = 0, \forall \chi \in X\} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})/\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ is also equal to $W = N_{\text{twin}}/\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$: any action of an element of $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})$ on $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is induced by the action of an element of N_{twin} . The same things are true for the action on ${}^{\vee}\mathbb{A}$.
- (2) We shall see below in § 4.1.7, Lemma 4.4, that $N \cap G_{\text{twin}} = N_{\text{twin}} = N \cap G_{\text{pol}} =: N_{\text{pol}}$ and $T \cap G_{\text{twin}} = T_{\text{twin}} = T \cap G_{\text{pol}} =: T_{\text{pol}}$.
- (3) By the Iwasawa decomposition (Remark 3.12) $G_{\text{twin}} = G_{\text{pol}} \iff I_{\text{twin}} = I_{\text{pol}}$.

4.1.7. *Stabilizers or fixators in G_{twin} or G_{pol} of canonical apartments $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ or ${}^{\vee}\mathbb{A}$.* Following [31, Corollary 10.4.3], the fixator (resp. stabilizer) of ${}^{\vee}\mathbb{A}$ in $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ is T (resp. N). Let now $\mathfrak{v} = \oplus$ or $\mathfrak{v} = \ominus$. We know that ${}^{\vee}\mathbb{A}$ is at infinity of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$, that ${}^{\vee}\mathcal{S}$ is at infinity of $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$, and that the action of G on $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ induces at infinity its action on ${}^{\vee}\mathcal{S}$. So it follows that the stabilizer of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in G is $N = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})$ and, then, that its fixator is $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}})$.

- (a) We prove below that the fixator (resp. stabilizer) in G_{twin} or G_{pol} of ${}^{\vee}\mathbb{A}$ is $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{pol}} = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}) = T_{\text{twin}}$ (resp. $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{pol}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = N_{\text{twin}}$).
- (b) We have the inclusions $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{pol}} \supset \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{twin}} \supset \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}) = T_{\text{twin}}$. Let us prove $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{pol}} \subset \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O})$. We have $\mathfrak{T} \simeq \text{Mult}^d$ and $(p_1, \dots, p_d) \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K}) = (\mathcal{K}^*)^d$ fixes $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$ for all $\mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty$ if, and only if, $\forall j, \forall \mathfrak{v}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(p_j) = 0$ if, and only if, $\forall j, p_j \in \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]^*$. We get that the above inclusions are equalities.
- (c) We remarked above (in § 4.1.6) that $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})/\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K})$ is equal to $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O})/\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O})$ and $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O})$ is in $G_{\text{twin}} \subset G_{\text{pol}}$. So $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{pol}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = N_{\text{twin}}$ follows from (b). And (a) is proved.
- (d) Now, for $\mathfrak{v} = \oplus$ or $\mathfrak{v} = \ominus$, the fixator (resp. stabilizer) in G_{twin} or G_{pol} of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}) \cap \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}) = \mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$ (resp. $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{pol}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = N_{\text{twin}}$).

Lemma 4.4. $(\mathfrak{U}^{\pm}(\mathcal{K}).\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K})) \cap G_{\text{twin}} = U_{\text{twin}}^{\pm}.\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O})$ and $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{twin}} = \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = N_{\text{twin}}$.

N.B. We write $U_{\text{twin}}^{\pm} = \mathfrak{U}^{\pm}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{twin}}$. The same things are true with G_{pol} instead of G_{twin} (just replacing U_{twin}^{\pm} by $\mathfrak{U}^{\pm}(\mathcal{K}) \cap G_{\text{pol}} = U_{\text{pol}}^{\pm}$) and with \mathfrak{T} instead of \mathfrak{N} .

Proof. The last equality is proved above in § 4.1.7(d) Let $g = u.n$ with $g \in G_{\text{pol}}, n \in N$ and $u \in U^{\pm}$. Let \mathfrak{v} be a place of \mathcal{K} , $\mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty$. As $g \in G_{\text{pol}}$, it fixes $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ for the action of G on $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$. Let us consider the retraction ρ onto the canonical apartment $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ of $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}})$ associated to U^{\pm} i.e. to $\Omega_{\pm\infty}$ (see § 2.3.2). Then the maps from $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ to itself given by $x \mapsto n.x$ and $x \mapsto \rho(g.x)$ coincide. So n fixes $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$; we have proved that $n \in N \cap G_{\text{pol}} = N_{\text{twin}}$ (§ 4.1.7(d) above) and thus $u \in U^{\pm} \cap G_{\text{pol}}$ (and $u \in U^{\pm} \cap G_{\text{twin}} = U_{\text{twin}}^{\pm}$ if $g \in G_{\text{twin}}$). □

4.1.8. (Linear) action of $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = N_{twin}$ on \mathbb{A}_{twin} . We shall define an action $\nu : N_{twin} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{A}_{twin})$.

By § 4.1.6 $N_{twin} = \{n_0.\varpi^\lambda \mid n_0 \in \mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k}), \lambda \in Y\}$, we ask that:

- n_0 acts linearly on $\mathbb{A}_{twin} = \mathbb{A} \oplus \mathbb{R}$, trivially on \mathbb{R} and by its linear action ν^\vee on \mathbb{A} (as $W^\vee = \mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k})/\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$).
- $t \in T_{twin} = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O})$ acts by transvections: $\nu(t) = tr_v : \mathbb{A}_{twin} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{twin}, x \mapsto x + v\xi(x)$, with $v \in \mathbb{A}$ determined by $\chi(v) = -\omega_\oplus(\chi(t)), \forall \chi \in X$.

In particular for $t = \varpi^\lambda, v = -\lambda \in Y \subset Y \otimes \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{A}$ (see e.g. [7, 2.9]).

This action induces the known actions of $N_{twin} \subset N$ on ${}^\vee\mathbb{A}, \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and \mathbb{A}_\ominus . For \mathbb{A}_\ominus , one has to remark that ϖ^λ acts by a translation of vector v' given by $\chi(v') = -\omega_\ominus(\chi(\varpi^\lambda)) = \omega_\oplus(\chi(\varpi^\lambda)) = \chi(\lambda), \forall \chi \in X$. This agrees with the fact that $\xi = -1$ on \mathbb{A}_\ominus .

4.1.9. Root datum in G_{twin} or G_{pol} ? We want to indicate some other relations between the groups defined above. For this we consider the definition of root datum given in [33, 1.5 p. 505]. This is close to the definition of Bruhat and Tits in [11] or of Rémy (as “donnée radicielle jumelée”) in [31]. We shall not get all the axioms and moreover, mainly as Φ_a is associated to W_a which is not a Coxeter group, the known results for these more classical root data would not be available.

One considers the triple $(G_{twin}, (U_{\alpha+r\xi})_{\alpha+r\xi \in \Phi_a}, H = \mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k}))$.

- (1) **(DR1)** H is a subgroup of $G_{twin} \subset G_{pol}$, the $U_{\alpha+r\xi}$ are non trivial subgroups normalized by H .

This is clear.

- (2) **(DR2)** For $\{\alpha, \beta\} \subset \Phi$ a prenilpotent pair and $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$, the commutator subgroup $[U_{\alpha+r\xi}, U_{\beta+s\xi}]$ is contained in the group generated by the $U_{p\alpha+q\beta+(pr+qs)\xi}$ for $p, q \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ and $p\alpha + q\beta \in \Phi$.

This comes from the explicit commutation relations of \mathfrak{U}_α and \mathfrak{U}_β (cf. [31, 9.2.2 p. 207]): $[x_\alpha(u), x_\beta(v)] = \prod_{p,q} x_{p\alpha+q\beta}(u^p.v^q.C_{p,q}^{\alpha,\beta})$ with $C_{p,q}^{\alpha,\beta} \in \mathbb{Z}$.

- (3) There is no need of **(DR3)** as the system Φ_a is reduced.
- (4) **(DR4)** For $\underline{\alpha} = \alpha + s\xi \in \Phi_a$ and $u \in U_{\alpha+s\xi}, u \neq 1$, there exist $u', u'' \in U_{-\alpha-s\xi} = U_{-\underline{\alpha}}$ such that $m(u) = u'uu''$ conjugates $U_{\gamma+t\xi}$ into $U_{r\alpha+s\xi(\gamma+t\xi)}$, for all $\gamma+t\xi \in \Phi_a$. Moreover, $\forall u, v \in U_{\alpha+s\xi}, u, v \neq 1$, one asks $m(u)H = m(v)H$.

We prove this in three steps:

- (a) Let $u = x_{\alpha+s\xi}(a) = x_\alpha(\varpi^s.a) \in U_{\alpha+s\xi} \setminus \{1\} \subset U_\alpha \setminus \{1\}$ (i.e. $a \in \mathbb{k}^*$). To calculate in $\langle \mathfrak{U}_\alpha, \mathfrak{U}_{-\alpha} \rangle$, one may use the group SL_2 and the classical formula:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -d^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -d^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d \\ -d^{-1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -d^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So one defines $u' = u'' = x_{-\alpha}(-(\varpi^s a)^{-1}) = x_{-\alpha-s\xi}(-a^{-1})$. Then $m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u) = m_\alpha(u) = u'uu'' \in \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = N_{twin}$. Clearly $m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u).H = m_{\alpha+s\xi}(v).H$ in the above situation, for $v \in U_{\alpha+s\xi} \setminus \{1\}$ (by a calculation in SL_2).

- (b) One has to identify the action of $m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u) \in N_{twin}$ on \mathbb{A}_{twin} by the action ν of § 4.1.8.

Let $\mathfrak{v} = \oplus, \varepsilon = +$ or $\mathfrak{v} = \ominus, \varepsilon = -$. On $\mathbb{A}_\mathfrak{v}, \nu(m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u)) = \nu(m_\alpha(u))$ is the reflection of W with respect to the following wall of $\mathbb{A}_\mathfrak{v}$: $M(\alpha + \omega_\mathfrak{v}(\varpi^s.a)) = M(\alpha + \varepsilon s) = \mathbb{A}_\mathfrak{v} \cap M_{twin}(\alpha + s\xi)$, where $M_{twin}(\alpha + s\xi)$ is $\ker(\alpha + s\xi)$. On ${}^\vee\mathbb{A}, \nu(m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u)) = \nu(m_\alpha(u)) = r_\alpha$.

So the action of $m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u) \in N_{twin}$ on \mathbb{A}_{twin} is the reflection $r_{\alpha+s\xi}$ defined in § 4.1.4.

(c) One has to deduce from this that $m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u)$ conjugates $U_{\gamma+t\xi}$ into $U_{r_{\alpha+s\xi}(\gamma+t\xi)}$.

Actually, using the known results for G acting on $\mathcal{I}_\oplus = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_\oplus)$, one gets that $m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u)$ conjugates $U_{\gamma+t\xi}$ into a subgroup of $\widehat{U}_{r_{\alpha(\beta),n}} \cap G_{twin}$ (if $r_{\alpha+s\xi}(\gamma+t\xi) = r_{\alpha(\beta)} + n\xi$), where $\widehat{U}_{r_{\alpha(\beta),n}} = \prod_{m \geq n} U_{r_{\alpha(\beta)}+m\xi} = \mathfrak{r}_{r_{\alpha(\beta)}}(\varpi^n \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_\oplus)$. Now, if we calculate with G acting on $\mathcal{I}_\ominus = \mathcal{I}(\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{K}, \omega_\ominus)$, one gets that $m_{\alpha+s\xi}(u)$ conjugates $U_{\gamma+t\xi}$ into a subgroup of G_{twin} and $\ominus \widehat{U}_{r_{\alpha(\beta),n}} = \prod_{m \leq n} U_{r_{\alpha(\beta)}+m\xi} = \mathfrak{r}_{r_{\alpha(\beta)}}(\varpi^n \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_\infty)$. As $\varpi^n \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_\oplus \cap \mathcal{O} \cap \varpi^n \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_\infty = \varpi^n \mathbb{k}$, one gets the expected result using Lemma 4.1.5.

Remark 4.5.

- (1) It is easy to prove that $m(u') = m(u'')$ acting on \mathbb{A}_{twin} is also $r_{\alpha+s\xi} = r_{-\alpha-s\xi}$.
- (2) One would like to say that u (resp. u', u'') fixes the half-apartment $D_{twin}(\alpha+s\xi) = \{(x, p) \in \mathbb{A}_{twin} \mid (\alpha+s\xi)(x, p) = \alpha(x) + sp \geq 0\}$ (resp. $D_{twin}(-\alpha-s\xi)$). The boundary of these half-apartments is the wall $M(\alpha+s\xi) = \ker(\alpha+s\xi)$, fixed point set of $r_{\alpha+s\xi}$.

Actually this is satisfied if we consider the restricted actions on $\mathbb{A}_\mathfrak{v} \subset \mathcal{I}_\mathfrak{v}$ and ${}^v\mathbb{A} \subset {}^v\mathcal{I}$.

- (5) **(DR5?)** For $\varepsilon = \pm$, let $U_\varepsilon := \langle U_{\alpha+r\xi} \mid \alpha+r\xi \in \Phi_{a\varepsilon} \rangle$. Is it true that $H.U_\varepsilon \cap U_{-\varepsilon} = \{1\}$?

It seems difficult to answer these two questions (which are actually equivalent).

If we look at G acting on \mathcal{I}_\oplus , then $H.U_+$ fixes the fundamental local chamber $C_\oplus \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (i.e. $H.U_+ \subset I_{twin}$, “positive” Iwahori subgroup of G_{twin}). But, if $\alpha+r\xi \in \Phi_{a-} = \Phi_{a-}^+ \cup \Phi_{a-}^-$ and $u \in U_{\alpha+r\xi} \setminus \{1\}$, then u does not fix C_\oplus ; so we get only the following weaker axiom.

(DR5’) $H.U_\varepsilon \cap U_{\alpha+r\xi} = \{1\}$, for any $\alpha+r\xi \in \Phi_{a(-\varepsilon)}$.

N.B.

- (1) The axiom (DR5’) of [33] (weaker than (DR5’)) has no meaning here, as it involves “simple roots”, which do not exist in Φ_a .
- (2) To deduce (DR5) from (DR5’), one should generalize [31, Theorem 3.5.4]. This is not at all clear (at least up to now).
- (3) A good question may be: is $H.U_+$ equal to I_{twin} ? (see § 4.3.2)
- (6) **(DRG?)** Is G_{twin} equal to $\langle H, (U_{\alpha+r\xi})_{\alpha+r\xi \in \Phi_a} \rangle$?

This fails in general, even if this looks like the definition of G_{twin} : $G_{twin} \supset G'_{twin} := \langle H, (U_{\alpha+r\xi})_{\alpha+r\xi \in \Phi_a} \rangle$. But in G'_{twin} one has, a priori, only a subgroup of $\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = N_{twin}$, due to the fact that one finds only a subgroup of $\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}) = T_{twin}$. It seems that $G'_{twin} \cap T_{twin}$ is generated by H and the $m_{\alpha+r\xi}(u)m_{\alpha+s\xi}(v)^{-1}$. In particular the Weyl group associated to G'_{twin} is certainly $W_a = W^\vee \rtimes Q^\vee$.

4.1.10. *Twin and twinnable apartments.* We saw that the system of apartments $\mathcal{A}_\oplus(G) = G.\mathbb{A}_\oplus = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K}).\mathbb{A}_\oplus$ of \mathcal{I}_\oplus is smaller than the system of apartments $\mathcal{A}_\oplus(G_\oplus) = G_\oplus.\mathbb{A}_\oplus = \mathfrak{G}(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_\oplus).\mathbb{A}_\oplus$ of $\widehat{\mathcal{I}}_\oplus$ associated to the completion $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_\oplus = \mathbb{k}((\varpi))$. As in § 3, we also consider the still smaller system of apartments (called twinnable apartments) $\mathcal{A}_\oplus(G_{twin}) = \mathcal{A}_{\oplus twin} = G_{twin}.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$. By § 4.1.7, $\mathcal{A}_\oplus(G_{twin})$ is in bijection with G_{twin}/N_{twin} or with the set \mathcal{T}_{twin} of maximal split tori in G conjugated to \mathfrak{T} by G_{twin} (that we may call “twin maximal split tori”).

There are analogous things on the negative side: $\mathcal{A}_\ominus(G_{twin}) = G_{twin} \cdot \mathbb{A}_\ominus$. The bijections $\mathcal{A}_\oplus(G_{twin}) \leftrightarrow G_{twin}/N_{twin} \leftrightarrow \mathcal{T}_{twin} \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_\ominus(G_{twin})$ tell that a positive (resp. negative) twinnable apartment has a unique twin in $\mathcal{A}_{\ominus twin}$ (resp. $\mathcal{A}_{\oplus twin}$). Classically a twin apartment is a pair $(A_\oplus, A_\ominus) = g \cdot (\mathbb{A}_\oplus, \mathbb{A}_\ominus) \in \mathcal{A}_\oplus(G_{twin}) \times \mathcal{A}_\ominus(G_{twin})$ (for $g \in G_{twin}$). We denote by \mathcal{A}_{twin} the set of twin apartments: $\mathcal{A}_{twin} = G_{twin} \cdot (\mathbb{A}_\oplus, \mathbb{A}_\ominus)$. If $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$, we call the apartments of $\mathcal{A}_\mathfrak{v}(G_{twin})$ “twinnable apartments”.

There is also a notion of twinnable apartment in the twin building ${}^v\mathcal{S} = {}^v\mathcal{S}^+ \sqcup {}^v\mathcal{S}^-$ of G : ${}^v\mathcal{A}_{twin} = G_{twin} \cdot {}^v\mathbb{A}$ (cf. § 4.1.3) and, as ${}^v\mathcal{A}_{twin} = G_{twin}/N_{twin}$ (cf. § 4.1.7), the three sets ${}^v\mathcal{A}_{twin}, \mathcal{A}_\oplus(G_{twin}), \mathcal{A}_\ominus(G_{twin})$ are in one to one correspondance.

Note that the apartments of ${}^v\mathcal{S}$ are often called twin in the classical litterature (see § 4.1.3). Of course we shall (now) avoid this terminology.

There are also analogous systems of apartments for G_{pol} . We define similarly $\mathcal{A}_\oplus(G_{pol}) = G_{pol} \cdot \mathbb{A}_\oplus \simeq \mathcal{A}_\ominus(G_{pol}) = G_{pol} \cdot \mathbb{A}_\ominus$ and $\mathcal{A}_{pol} = G_{pol} \cdot (\mathbb{A}_\ominus, \mathbb{A}_\oplus)$. This is similar to the case of G_{twin} since $G_{pol}/N_{pol} \simeq \mathcal{T}_{pol}$. As $\mathcal{A}_{twin} \simeq G_{twin}/N_{twin}, \mathcal{A}_{pol} \simeq G_{pol}/N_{pol}$ and $N_{twin} = N_{pol}$ (§ 4.1.6), one has $\mathcal{A}_{twin} = \mathcal{A}_{pol} \iff G_{twin} = G_{pol}$.

Implicitly, we will refer to G_{twin} instead of G_{pol} : a twin apartment is a G_{twin} -twin apartment. We will sometimes refer to G_{pol} -twin apartments (or G_{pol} -twinnable apartments).

We say that two sets or filters Ω_1, Ω_2 in $\mathcal{S}_\oplus \cup \mathcal{S}_\ominus$ are twin-friendly (resp. pol-friendly) if there exists $A \in \mathcal{A}_{twin}$ (resp. $A \in \mathcal{A}_{pol}$) containing $\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$.

Proposition 4.6. *Let $(x, y) \in \mathcal{S}_\oplus \times \mathcal{S}_\ominus$ be a twin-friendly pair (i.e. there is a twin apartment $A_\oplus \times A_\ominus$ such that $x \in A_\oplus$ and $y \in A_\ominus$). One considers local chambers $C_x \subset \mathcal{S}_\oplus, C_y \subset \mathcal{S}_\ominus$ with respective vertices x, y . Then (C_x, C_y) is a twin-friendly pair (i.e. there is a twin apartment $A'_\oplus \times A'_\ominus$ such that $C_x \in A'_\oplus$ and $C_y \in A'_\ominus$).*

N.B. We may replace the local chambers by local facets or preordered segment germs.

Proof. We are easily reduced to prove that, if (x, y) (resp. (x, C_y)) is twin friendly, then (C_x, y) (resp. (C_x, C_y)) is twin-friendly. And we may suppose $x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and $y \in \mathbb{A}_\ominus$ (resp. $C_y \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$). Let C_1 be a local chamber in \mathbb{A}_\oplus at x , with the same sign as C_x and $(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n = C_x)$ be a gallery of local chambers (in the tangent space $\mathcal{T}_x(\mathcal{S}_\oplus)$). We argue by induction on n , the case $n = 1$ is clear and we are reduced to prove the case $n = 2$: C_1 and C_x are adjacent. One writes F the local panel common to C_1 and C_x . If F is in no wall, then $C_x \subset cl(C_1)$ is in \mathbb{A}_\oplus , and we are done. Otherwise F is in a wall $M_\oplus(\alpha + r) = M_{twin}(\alpha + r\xi) \cap \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. One of the two half-apartments $D_{twin}(\pm(\alpha + r\xi))$ contains y (resp. C_y), we may suppose it is $D_{twin}(\alpha + r\xi) \supset D_\oplus(\alpha + r)$. Now there is an apartment A of \mathcal{S}_\oplus containing $D_\oplus(\alpha + r) \cup C_x$ and $u \in {}^\oplus U_{\alpha,r}$ such that $A = u \cdot \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (see [7, 1.4.3] and [35, 5.7.7]). Now ${}^\oplus U_{\alpha,r+1}$ fixes $u^{-1} \cdot C_x$ and ${}^\oplus U_{\alpha,r} = U_{\alpha+r\xi} \times {}^\oplus U_{\alpha,r+1}$ (by § 4.1.5). So there is $u' \in U_{\alpha+r\xi}$ such that $C_x \subset u' \cdot (\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$. As $U_{\alpha+r\xi} \subset G_{twin}$ fixes $D_{twin}(\alpha + r\xi) \cap \mathcal{S}_\ominus$, we are done. □

4.2. Existence of an isomorphism fixing the intersection of two apartments.

In this subsection, we prove that if A and B are twin apartments, then there exists $g \in G_{twin}$ such that $g.A = B$ and g fixes $A \cap B$ (i.e, g fixes $(A_\oplus \cap B_\oplus) \cup (A_\ominus \cap B_\ominus)$) (see Theorem 4.12). This result is crucial in order to define a retraction centered at C_∞ for example.

To that end, we begin by studying, for any place \mathfrak{v} on \mathcal{K} , the properties of $G_{0_\mathfrak{v}} \cap U^+ U^- N$, where $G_{0_\mathfrak{v}}$ is the fixator in G of $0_\mathfrak{v} \in \mathcal{S}_\mathfrak{v}$. We then deduce a description of $G_{pol} \cap U^\pm$. Using these results, we prove a weak version of Theorem 4.12: we prove it in the case

where $A_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}$ and $A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$ contain a chamber based at vertices of type 0 (i.e elements of $G.0_{\oplus}$ or $G.0_{\ominus}$). We then deduce the theorem.

4.2.1. *Intersections of $G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}$ (fixator of $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in G) with U^+U^-N or U^+U^- .* Let \mathfrak{v} be a place on \mathcal{K} with associated valuation ω . We work in $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$.

One defines $Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\ell} \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \alpha_i^{\vee} \subset \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and, for $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_i \alpha_i^{\vee}$, $\text{ht}(\mu) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_i$. One also chooses an element $\zeta \in C_f^{\vee} \cap Y \subset \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$.

The action of $T = \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K})$ on $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is given by translations. More precisely $t \in T$ acts by the translation $\nu(t) = \nu_{\omega}(t)$ of vector $\nu(t) = \nu_{\omega}(t) \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} = Y \otimes \mathbb{R}$ given by: $\chi(\nu(t)) = -\omega(\chi(t))$ for any $\chi \in X$. In particular $\nu(\varpi_{\mathfrak{v}}^{\lambda}) = -\lambda$ (if $\varpi_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is a uniformizing parameter for ω).

We define $T_{\omega}(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee}) := \nu_{\omega}^{-1}(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee})$.

Lemma 4.7.

- (1) $(U^+U^-N) \cap G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}} \subset U^+U^-T_{\omega}(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee})W^{\vee}$ and $(U^+U^-T) \cap G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}} \subset U^+U^-T_{\omega}(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee})$.
- (2) We have $(U^+U^-) \cap G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}} = (U^+ \cap G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}})(U^- \cap G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}) = U_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}^+U_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}^-$.

Proof. (1) Let $u^+ \in U^+, u^- \in U^-$ and $n \in N$ be such that $u^+u^-n \in G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}$. We write $n = t\tilde{w}$, with $t \in T$ and \tilde{w} any representative of $w \in W^{\vee} = N/T$ fixing $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ (e.g. $\tilde{w} \in \mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k})$). So $u^+u^-t \in G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}$. We write $\mu = t.0_{\mathfrak{v}} \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ (i.e. $\mu = \nu(t) \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$). We consider the retractions $\rho_{\pm\infty}$ of \mathcal{S} onto $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ with center $\Omega_{\pm\infty} = \text{germ}_{\infty}(\pm C_f^{\vee})$. Now $x := u^-t(0_{\mathfrak{v}}) = u^-(\mu)$ satisfies $\rho_{-\infty}(x) = \mu$ and $\rho_{+\infty}(x) = 0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ (as $u^+(x) = 0_{\mathfrak{v}}$). By [18, 7.6.1] = [19, 6.5.1] or [17, 3.1], one has $-\mu \in -Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee}$, so $\nu(t) = \mu \in Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee}$ and $t \in T_{\omega}(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee})$.

(2) Let $u^+ \in U^+, u^- \in U^-$ be such that $u^+u^- \in G_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}$. Let $x = u^-.0_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Then we have $\rho_{-\infty}(x) = 0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and $\rho_{+\infty}(x) = u^+u^-.0_{\mathfrak{v}} = 0_{\mathfrak{v}}$, since $\rho_{+\infty}(x)$ is the unique element of $U^+.x \cap \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Using [17, Corollary 4.4], we deduce $x \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$, and hence $x = \rho_{-\infty}(x) = u^-.0_{\mathfrak{v}} = 0_{\mathfrak{v}} = u^+u^-.0_{\mathfrak{v}}$, which proves the lemma. □

4.2.2. *Application to G_{pol} .* We consider now all the places of \mathcal{K} and the associated valuations.

We are first looking at $U^{\pm} \cap G_{pol} =: U_{pol}^{\pm} \supset U_{twin}^{\pm}$.

From § 2.2.4 (2) we know that, for $\omega = \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}, \mathfrak{v} \neq \oplus, \ominus$, $U_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}^{ma+} = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq 0})$, where $\mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq 0} = \{x \in \mathcal{K} \mid \omega(x) \geq 0\} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and $U_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}^{pm+} = U_{0_{\mathfrak{v}}}^{ma+} \cap G$ is the fixator of $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in U^+ for the action on \mathcal{S}_{ω} (cf. § 2.2.4 (3)). As the product decomposition of U^{ma+} is unique (cf. § 2.2.3) and $\mathcal{O} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{v} \neq \oplus, \ominus} \mathcal{K}_{\omega \geq 0}$, one gets:

$$U^{\pm} \cap G_{pol} = \left(\prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathcal{O}) \right) \cap G.$$

And clearly, if $\Omega \subset \mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ ($\mathfrak{v} = \oplus$ or \ominus), its fixator in $U^{\pm} \cap G_{pol}$ is:

$$U^{\pm}(\Omega) \cap G_{pol} = \left(\prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\omega \geq f_{\Omega}(\alpha)}) \right) \cap G.$$

where $\mathcal{O}_{\omega \geq f_{\Omega}(\alpha)} = \{x \in \mathcal{O} \mid \omega(x) \geq f_{\Omega}(\alpha)\}$.

One may also write a formula for $U^{\pm}(\Omega_{\oplus} \cup \Omega_{\ominus}) \cap G_{pol}$ when $\Omega_{\oplus} \subset \mathcal{S}_{\oplus}, \Omega_{\ominus} \subset \mathcal{S}_{\ominus}$.

4.2.3. A particular case of Theorem 4.12.

- (1) We may include $\alpha_1^\vee, \dots, \alpha_\ell^\vee$ in a \mathbb{Q} -basis of $Y \otimes \mathbb{Q}$. So, taking a “dual basis” there is $(\chi_1, \dots, \chi_d) \in X^d$ that is an \mathbb{R} -basis of \mathbb{A}^* (i.e. a \mathbb{Q} -basis of $X \otimes \mathbb{Q}$) and satisfies $\chi_i(\alpha_j^\vee) = m_i \delta_{i,j}$ for $1 \leq i \leq d, 1 \leq j \leq \ell$ with $m_i \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$. Actually in the simply connected case (i.e. when $\bigoplus_{i=1}^\ell \mathbb{Z}\alpha_i^\vee$ is a direct factor in Y), one may suppose that (χ_1, \dots, χ_d) is a \mathbb{Z} -basis of X and $m_i = 1$. We have $Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^\vee = \{x \in \mathbb{A} \mid \chi_i(x) \geq 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \ell; \chi_i(x) = 0 \text{ for } i > \ell\}$. And for $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^\ell a_i \alpha_i^\vee$, we have $a_i = \chi_i(\mu)/m_i$ and $\text{ht}(\mu) = \sum_{i=1}^\ell \chi_i(\mu)/m_i$ (notation of § 4.2.1).
- (2) Let \mathfrak{v} be a place on \mathcal{K} (typically $\mathfrak{v} \neq \oplus, \ominus$), and $\omega = \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}$. We write ν_ω the action of T on $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \subset \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ associated to \mathfrak{v} and $T_\omega(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^\vee) = \nu_\omega^{-1}(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^\vee)$. As $\chi_i(\nu_\omega(t)) = -\omega(\chi_i(t))$, we have $\nu_\omega(t) = -\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\omega(\chi_i(t))}{m_i} \alpha_i^\vee$ for any $t \in T$. So $t \in T_\omega(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^\vee) \iff \omega(\chi_i(t)) \leq 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ and $\omega(\chi_i(t)) = 0$ for $i > \ell$. And then $\text{ht}(\nu_\omega(t)) = -\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\omega(\chi_i(t))}{m_i}$.
- (3) Let us now consider $u^+ \in U^+, u^- \in U^-$ and $t \in T$ such that $u^+ u^- t \in G_{pol}$ (actually by the proof of Lemma 4.7(1), the study of $U^+ U^- N \cap G_{pol}$ may be reduced to this case). By Lemma 4.7(1), we have then $t \in T_\omega(Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^\vee), \forall \omega \neq \omega_{\oplus}, \omega_{\ominus}$. So $\omega(\chi_i(t^{-1})) \geq 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ and $\omega(\chi_i(t^{-1})) = 0$ for $i > \ell$. This means that $\chi_i(t^{-1}) \in \mathcal{O}$ for $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ and $\chi_i(t^{-1}) \in \mathcal{O}^*$ for $i > \ell$.

Lemma 4.8. *Let $C_x \subset \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}$ and $C_y \subset \mathcal{I}_{\oplus}$ be local chambers with respective vertices x and y . We suppose x and y of type 0, i.e they are conjugated by G to 0_{\ominus} and 0_{\oplus} respectively. We consider two twin apartments $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}_{twin}$ containing $C_x \cup C_y$. Then there is $g \in G_{twin}$ fixing C_x and C_y such that $A_2 = g.A_1$.*

Proof. The action of G_{twin} permutes transitively the twin apartments and the action of the stabilizer N_{twin} of \mathbb{A} in G_{twin} permutes transitively the local chambers in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} , of a given sign and with a vertex of type 0. So one may suppose $(A_1, A_2) = (\mathbb{A}, A), y = 0_{\oplus}, C_y = C_{\oplus} \subset \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}, C_x \subset \mathbb{A}_{\ominus}$, both contained in $A \cap \mathbb{A}$. Then, by Proposition 3.9 and § 4.1.10, there exist ${}^+g \in G_{twin} \cap G_{C_{\oplus}}$ and ${}^-g \in G_{twin} \cap G_{C_x}$ such that $A = {}^+g\mathbb{A} = {}^-g\mathbb{A}$. We would like that ${}^+g = {}^-g$ or, more generally, that ${}^+g = {}^-gt$ with $t \in T$ fixing \mathbb{A} . But from ${}^+g\mathbb{A} = {}^-g\mathbb{A}$ and ${}^+g, {}^-g \in G_{twin}$, we get only ${}^+g = {}^-gn$, with $n \in N_{twin} = N \cap G_{twin}$.

One writes ${}^+g = u_1^+ u_1^- t_1$ and ${}^+g = {}^-gn = u_2^+ u_2^- t_2 n = u_2^+ u_2^- n_2$, with $u_1^+, u_2^+ \in U^+, u_1^-, u_2^- \in U^-, t_2, t_1 \in T, n_2 = t_2 n \in N$ and moreover $u_1^+ u_1^- t_1 \in G_{twin} \cap G_{C_{\oplus}}$ (so $u_1^+, u_1^- \in G_{C_{\oplus}}$ and t_1 fixes \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} by Proposition 2.4) and $u_2^+ u_2^- t_2 = {}^-g \in G_{C_x} \cap G_{twin}$ (so $u_2^+, u_2^- \in G_{C_x}$ and t_2 fixes \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} by Proposition 2.4). We want to prove that n_2 fixes C_x and C_y .

One writes $n_2 = t_2 \tilde{w}$ with $t_2 \in T$ and \tilde{w} any representative of $w \in W^\vee = N/T$ in $\mathfrak{N}(\mathbb{k}) \subset G_{twin}$. In particular \tilde{w} fixes $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ in any measure $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$.

- (a) But ${}^+g = u_1^+ u_1^- t_1 = u_2^+ u_2^- t_2 \tilde{w}$ is in G_{pol} and fixes 0_{\oplus} in \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} , so $g_2 := u_2^+ u_2^- t_2$ is in G_{pol} . By § 4.2.3(1), we get $\chi_i(t_2^{-1}) \in \mathcal{O}, \forall i = 1, \dots, d$. Moreover $g_2 = {}^+g \tilde{w}^{-1}$ fixes 0_{\oplus} in \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} , so $\omega_{\oplus}(\chi_i(t_2^{-1})) \geq 0$ (by Lemma 4.7(1) and § 4.2.3(2)), $\chi_i(t_2^{-1}) \in \mathbb{k}[\varpi]$ and $\omega_{\ominus}(\chi_i(t_2^{-1})) \leq 0$.
- (b) Now u_2^+ and u_2^- fix $C_x \subset \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}$, so one may write $u_2^+ u_2^- = u_3^- u_3^+ t_3$ with $u_3^- \in U^-, u_3^+ \in U^+, t_3 \in T$, all fixing C_x (by § 2.4). In particular $\omega_{\ominus}(\chi_i(t_3)) = 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, d$ by § 4.2.3(2) (formula for $\nu_\omega(t)$).
- (c) But $g_2 = u_3^- u_3^+ t_3 t_2 \in G_{pol}$, so, by § 4.2.3(3) and Lemma 4.7(2), $\chi_i(t_3 t_2) \in \mathcal{O}, \forall i = 1, \dots, d$. We also know that g_2 fixes 0_{\oplus} in \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} . So, by Lemma 4.7(2),

- $t_3 t_2 \in T_{\omega_{\oplus}}(-Q_{\mathbb{R},+}^{\vee})$, i.e. (by § 4.2.3 (2)) $\omega_{\oplus}(\chi_i(t_3 t_2)) \geq 0$. We deduce from this that $\chi_i(t_3 t_2) \in \mathbb{k}[\varpi]$, hence $\omega_{\ominus}(\chi_i(t_3 t_2)) \leq 0$. But $\omega_{\ominus}(\chi_i(t_3)) = 0$ (by (b) above), so $\omega_{\ominus}(\chi_i(t_2)) \leq 0$. Comparing with (a), we get $\omega_{\ominus}(\chi_i(t_2^{\pm 1})) = 0$. But $\chi_i(t_2^{-1}) \in \mathbb{k}[\varpi]$ by (a), so $\chi_i(t_2) \in \mathbb{k}$. Hence t_2 fixes \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} and \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} , $n_2 = t_2 \tilde{w}$ fixes 0_{\ominus} and 0_{\oplus} .
- (d) Now $\mathfrak{T} = \mathfrak{Mult}^d$, we write θ_j the j^{th} coordinate map. As $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_d \in X$ is a \mathbb{Q} -basis of $X \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$, we have $n_j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and $b_{j,i} \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $n_j \theta_j = \sum_i b_{j,i} \chi_i$. So $\theta_j(t_2)^{n_j} = \prod_i \chi_i(t_2)^{b_{j,i}} \in \mathbb{k}$. As $\theta_j(t_2) \in \mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$, we get $\theta_j(t_2) \in \mathbb{k}$, i.e. $t_2 \in \mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k}) \subset G_{\text{twin}}$ and $n_2 = t_2 \tilde{w} \in G_{\text{twin}}$. So $u_2^+ u_2^- = {}^+ g n_2^{-1} \in G_{\text{twin}}$ and $t'_2 \in G_{\text{twin}}$; one may replace ${}^- g = u_2^+ u_2^- t'_2$ by $u_2^+ u_2^-$ i.e. suppose $t'_2 = 1$. Symmetrically we get also $t_1 \in G_{\text{twin}} \cap \mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{K})$ and one may replace ${}^+ g$ by $u_1^+ u_1^-$ i.e. suppose $t_1 = 1$.
- (e) We argue now in the tangent twin building $\mathcal{T}_{0_{\oplus}}(\mathcal{I}_{\oplus})$ and use that ${}^+ g = u_1^+ u_1^- = u_2^+ u_2^- t_2 \tilde{w}$ with u_1^{\pm} fixing C_{\oplus} , t_2 fixing \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} . But $u_2^+ u_2^- = {}^+ g (t_2 \tilde{w})^{-1}$ fixes 0_{\oplus} in \mathcal{I}_{\oplus} , and so do u_2^+ , u_2^- by § 4.2.1 (2). Hence u_2^+ fixes $C_{\oplus} = \text{germ}_{0_{\oplus}}(C_f^{\vee})$ and u_2^- fixes $C_0^- := \text{germ}_{0_{\oplus}}(-C_f^{\vee}) \subset \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$. We have then clearly $C_0^- = u_2^- . C_0^- = (u_2^+)^{-1} u_1^+ u_1^- (t_2 \tilde{w})^{-1} . C_0^- = (u_2^+)^{-1} u_1^+ u_1^- \tilde{w}^{-1} . C_0^-$. We consider now the retraction ρ^+ of $\mathcal{T}_{0_{\oplus}}(\mathcal{I}_{\oplus})$ onto $\mathcal{T}_{0_{\oplus}}(\mathbb{A}_{\oplus})$ with center C_{\oplus} . As u_2^+, u_1^+ and u_1^- fix C_{\oplus} , we get $C_0^- = \rho^+(C_0^-) = \tilde{w}^{-1} . C_0^-$. We have proved that the class w of \tilde{w} in W^{\vee} is trivial. We could have taken $\tilde{w} = 1$ and then $n_2 = t_2$ fixes \mathbb{A} as expected. \square

4.2.4. *Conclusion.* We now extend the result of Lemma 4.8 to arbitrary pairs A, B of $\mathcal{A}_{\text{twin}}$. We begin with the case where $A_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}$ and $A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$ have nonempty interior and then drop this condition.

Lemma 4.9. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{A}_{\text{twin}}$ be such that $A_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}$ and $A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$ have non-empty interior. Then there exists $g \in G_{\text{twin}}$ such that $g.A = B$ and g fixes $A \cap B$ (i.e g fixes pointwise $(A_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}) \sqcup (A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus})$).*

Proof. Using isomorphism of apartments, we may assume that $A = \mathbb{A}$. We fix an element of $y \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \cap B_{\ominus}$. As $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}$ (resp. $\mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$) has non-empty interior, there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ such that $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}$ (resp. $\mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$) contains an element C_x of $G_{\text{twin}} . (\frac{1}{n} Y + C_{\oplus})$ (resp. C_y of $G_{\text{twin}} . (\frac{1}{n} Y + C_{\ominus})$). Let $\mathcal{K}^{(n)} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi^{1/n})$, where $\varpi^{1/n}$ is an indeterminate such that $(\varpi^{1/n})^n = \varpi$. Let $G^{(n)} = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K}^{(n)})$. We add an exponent (n) when we consider an object corresponding to $G^{(n)}$ (for example we have $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus}^{(n)}, \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}^{(n)}, G_{\text{twin}}^{(n)}, \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}^{(n)}, \dots$). We have $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus}^{(n)} \supset \mathcal{I}_{\oplus}$ and $\mathcal{I}_{\ominus}^{(n)} \supset \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}$. As an affine space, $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus}^{(n)}$ can be identified with \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} . However, it contains more walls, and we have $Y^{(n)} = \frac{1}{n} Y$. Therefore by Lemma 4.8 applied with $G_{\text{twin}}^{(n)}$ instead of G_{twin} , there exists $g_y \in G_{\text{twin}}^{(n)}$ fixing $C_x \cup C_y$ and such that $g_y . \mathbb{A} = B$. By Proposition 3.9, there exists $h_y \in G_{\text{twin}}$ such that $h_y . \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} = B_{\oplus}$ (hence $h_y . \mathbb{A} = B$) and h_y fixes $\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}$. Then $g_y^{-1} h_y$ stabilizes \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} and is an element of $G_{\text{twin}}^{(n)}$. Therefore $g_y^{-1} h_y$ is an element of $N_{\text{twin}}^{(n)}$. Moreover $g_y^{-1} h_y$ fixes C_x and thus $g_y^{-1} h_y$ fixes \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} . Using § 4.1.7 we deduce that $g_y^{-1} h_y$ fixes \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} . Hence h_y fixes $(\mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}) \sqcup C_y$. By Proposition 3.9, there exists $h_x \in G_{\text{twin}}$ such that $h_x . \mathbb{A} = B$ and h_x fixes $\mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$. So $h_x^{-1} h_y$ stabilizes \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} and fixes C_y : it is the identity on \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} . This proves that h_y fixes $\mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$ and completes the proof of the lemma. \square

The following proposition corresponds to [34, Proposition 2.9(1)] in the twin case.

Proposition 4.10. *Let $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$. Let $A_{\mathfrak{v}}$ be a twinnable apartment in the measure $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Let M be a wall of $A_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and C be a (local) chamber of $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ not in $A_{\mathfrak{v}}$, but dominating a*

(local) panel of M . Then there exist two twinnable apartments $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}}$ and $A_{2,\mathfrak{v}}$ of $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ such that:

- (1) $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}}$ and $A_{2,\mathfrak{v}}$ contain C ,
- (2) $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{\mathfrak{v}'}$ and $A_{2,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{\mathfrak{v}'}$ (resp. $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{\mathfrak{v}'}$ and $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{2,\mathfrak{v}'}$, $A_{2,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{\mathfrak{v}'}$ and $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{2,\mathfrak{v}'}$) are two opposite half-apartments of $A_{\mathfrak{v}'}$ (resp. $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}'}$, $A_{2,\mathfrak{v}'}$) for both $\mathfrak{v}' \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$.

Proof. Using apartment isomorphisms, we may assume that $A_{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Let $D_{\mathfrak{v}}$ be a half-apartment of $A_{\mathfrak{v}}$ delimited by M . By [34, Proposition 2.9(1)], there exists an apartment $\tilde{B}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ of $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ containing $D_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and C . By § 2.3.1, we can write $\tilde{B}_{\mathfrak{v}} = x_{\alpha}(y) \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$, for some $\alpha \in \Phi$ and $y \in \mathcal{K}$, with $x_{\alpha}(y)$ fixing $D_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Let $z \in \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}}$ be such that $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(y - z) > \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(y)$.

Let $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}} = x_{\alpha}(z) \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} A_{1,\mathfrak{v}} \cap \tilde{B}_{\mathfrak{v}} &= x_{\alpha}(y) \cdot (x_{\alpha}(-y) \cdot A_{1,\mathfrak{v}} \cap x_{\alpha}(-y) \cdot \tilde{B}_{\mathfrak{v}}) \\ &= x_{\alpha}(y) \cdot (x_{\alpha}(z - y) \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \cap \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}). \end{aligned}$$

As $C \not\subset \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$, we have $\tilde{B}_{\mathfrak{v}} \cap \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} = D_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Moreover $D_{\mathfrak{v}} = \{a \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \mid \alpha(a) + \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(y) \geq 0\}$ and $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \cap x_{\alpha}(z - y) \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} = \{a \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \mid \alpha(a) + \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(z - y) \geq 0\}$. Therefore $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \cap x_{\alpha}(z - y) \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \supsetneq D_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and thus $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \cap x_{\alpha}(z - y) \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ contains any local chamber of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ which dominates some local panel of M . Therefore $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}}$ contains $D_{\mathfrak{v}}$ and C . Moreover if $\mathfrak{v}' \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$, then $A_{1,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{\mathfrak{v}'} =: D_{\mathfrak{v}'}$ is a half-apartment. Let now $A_2 = x_{-\alpha}(z^{-1}) \cdot \mathbb{A}$. Then $A_{2,\mathfrak{v}'} \cap A_{\mathfrak{v}'} = \overline{A_{\mathfrak{v}'} \setminus D_{\mathfrak{v}'}}$ and $r := x_{-\alpha}(-z^{-1})x_{\alpha}(z)x_{-\alpha}(-z^{-1}) \in N_{\text{twin}}$ induces reflections with respect to the wall $\{a \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}'} \mid \alpha(a) + \omega_{\mathfrak{v}'}(z) = 0\}$. Hence we have (2) and thus we have (1), which proves the proposition. \square

Lemma 4.11. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{A}_{\text{twin}}$. Then for all $(x, y) \in (A_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}) \times (A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus})$, there exists $g \in G_{\text{twin}}$ fixing x, y and such that $g.A = B$.*

Proof. Considering local chambers $C_x \subset B_{\oplus}$, $C_y \subset A_{\ominus}$ and a third twin apartment B' containing $C_x \cup C_y$ (by Proposition 4.6), we are reduced to consider the case where $A_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}$ or $A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus}$ contains a local chamber. We choose the case $A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus} \supset C_y$; the other case is similar. Let C (resp. C') be a positive local chamber of A_{\oplus} (resp. B_{\oplus}) based at x and $\Gamma = (C_1, \dots, C_n)$ be a minimal gallery of local chambers at x from $C = C_1$ to $C' = C_n$. Let P be the panel dominated by both C_1 and C_2 . There are two cases: either the panel P is not contained in any wall of A_{\oplus} , or the panel P is contained in exactly one wall of A_{\oplus} .

In the first case, any half-apartment containing C_1 contains C_2 and thus the enclosure of C_1 contains C_2 . By (MA II) we deduce that A_{\oplus} contains C_2 so we can replace Γ by the gallery (C_2, \dots, C_n) .

We now assume that we are in the second case. Let $D_{1,\oplus}, D_{2,\oplus}$ be the two half-apartments of A_{\oplus} delimited by P . By Proposition 4.10, there exist twin apartments A_1 and A_2 such that $A_{\oplus} \cap A_{i,\oplus} = D_{i,\oplus}$ for both $i \in \{1, 2\}$. Then $A_{\ominus} \cap A_{1,\oplus}$ and $A_{\ominus} \cap A_{2,\oplus}$ are two opposite half-apartments of A_{\ominus} . Therefore $A_{1,\oplus}$ or $A_{2,\oplus}$ contains C_y and there exists $i \in \{1, 2\}$ such that $A \cap A_i \supset D_{i,\oplus} \cup C_y$. By Lemma 4.9, there exists $g \in G_{\text{twin}}$ such that $g.A = A_i$ and g fixes x and C_y . By induction, we deduce that we can assume that $A \cap B$ contains C_n and C_y . Then by Lemma 4.9, there exists $g \in G_{\text{twin}}$ fixing x, y and such that $g.A = B$, which proves the lemma. \square

Theorem 4.12. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{A}_{\text{twin}}$. Then there exists $g \in G_{\text{twin}}$ such that $g.A = B$ and such that g fixes $A \cap B$ (i.e g fixes pointwise $(A_{\oplus} \cap B_{\oplus}) \sqcup (A_{\ominus} \cap B_{\ominus})$).*

Proof. We identify A and \mathbb{A} . We assume that $\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ and $\mathbb{A}_\ominus \cap B_\ominus$ are non-empty, since otherwise we can use Proposition 3.9. Fix $y \in \mathbb{A}_\ominus \cap B$. By (MA II) in § 2.3.1, $\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ is a finite intersection of half-apartments in \mathbb{A}_\oplus . In particular it is convex and the closure of its relative interior $(\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus)^\bullet$ (the interior of $\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ considered inside the support V_0 of $\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ in \mathbb{A}_\oplus). We regard \mathbb{A}_\oplus as an \mathbb{R} -vector space and V_0 as an affine subspace of \mathbb{A} . Let \vec{V}_0 be the direction of V_0 . If \vec{V} is a vector subspace of \vec{V}_0 , we say that \vec{V} satisfies the property \mathcal{P} if for all $x \in (\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus)^\bullet$, there exists $h_{x,\vec{V}} \in G_{twin}$ such that $h_{x,\vec{V}}.\mathbb{A} = B$ and $h_{x,\vec{V}}$ fixes $(x + \vec{V}) \cap \mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ and y . Then $\{0_\oplus\}$ satisfies \mathcal{P} by Lemma 4.11. Let \vec{V} be a vector subspace of \vec{V}_0 satisfying \mathcal{P} . Assume $\vec{V} \neq \vec{V}_0$ and take $v \in \vec{V}_0 \setminus \vec{V}$. Let $h \in G_{twin}$ be such that $h.\mathbb{A} = B$ and such that h fixes $\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ (the existence of such an h is provided by Proposition 3.9). For $x \in (\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus)^\bullet$, define $n_x = h^{-1}.h_{x,\vec{V}}$; it is in N_{twin} and fixes $(x + \vec{V}) \cap \mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ (hence all $x + \vec{V}$). Let w_x be the image of n_x in the Weyl group $W = N_{twin}/\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$, that we regard as a group of automorphisms of the affine space \mathbb{A}_\oplus . As W is countable, there exist $x', x'' \in (\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus)^\bullet$ such that $x', x'' \in x + \mathbb{R}v$, $x' \neq x''$ and $w_{x'} = w_{x''}$. Then $w_{x'}$ fixes $x'' + \vec{V}$ and $x' + \vec{V}$ and thus it fixes $x + (\vec{V} + \mathbb{R}v)$. So $h_{x',\vec{V}}$ fixes $(x + \vec{V} + \mathbb{R}v) \cap \mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$. Therefore $\vec{V} + \mathbb{R}v$ satisfies \mathcal{P} and by induction we deduce that \vec{V}_0 satisfies \mathcal{P} . In particular, there exists $h_y \in G_{twin}$ such that $h_y.\mathbb{A} = B$ and such that h_y fixes $\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap B_\oplus$ and y . We conclude the proof of the theorem by a similar reasoning. \square

Remark 4.13. The theorem above is true if we replace \mathcal{A}_{twin} and G_{twin} by \mathcal{A}_{pol} and G_{pol} respectively. The proof is similar since we mainly used that $G_{twin} \subset G_{pol}$ and our preliminary study of G_{pol} .

4.3. Decompositions of G_{twin} and G_{pol} .

4.3.1. *Twin Iwasawa decomposition.* Recall that $C_\oplus = germ_{0_\oplus}(C_f^y)$ is the fundamental positive local chamber in \mathbb{A}_\oplus and $I = I_\oplus$ (resp. I_{twin}) is the fixator of C_\oplus in $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ (resp. $G_{twin} = G_{\mathcal{O}}$). From Corollary 3.11 and Remark 3.12, we get:

Proposition 4.14. *Let $\epsilon \in \{-, +\}$. Then we have:*

$$G_{twin} = U_{twin}^{\epsilon\epsilon}.N_{twin}.I_{twin} \text{ and } G_{pol} = U_{twin}^{\epsilon\epsilon}.N_{twin}.(I_\oplus \cap G_{pol}).$$

N.B. *In \mathbb{A}_\ominus , one considers the fundamental negative local chamber $C_\infty = germ_{0_\ominus}(-C_f^y)$ and its fixator or stabilizer the negative Iwahori subgroup I_\ominus of G (acting on \mathcal{I}_\ominus). One writes $I_\infty = I_\ominus \cap G_{twin}$ and the (negative) Iwasawa decomposition may be written:*

$$G_{twin} = U_{twin}^{\epsilon\epsilon}.N_{twin}.I_\infty \text{ and } G_{pol} = U_{twin}^{\epsilon\epsilon}.N_{twin}.(I_\ominus \cap G_{pol}).$$

Lemma 4.15. *Let $\epsilon = +$ or $\epsilon = -$ and $A \in \mathcal{A}_{\oplus twin}$ such that $A \supset \Omega_{\epsilon\infty}$. Then there is a $u \in U_{twin}^\epsilon$ such that $A = u.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$.*

N.B.

- (1) u is unique and Corollary 3.8(2) tells, more or less, that $U_{twin}^{\epsilon\epsilon}$ is “dense” in U_{twin}^ϵ .
- (2) Such results are also true for all pairs “sector germ \subset twinnable apartment of \mathcal{I}_\oplus or \mathcal{I}_\ominus ” with $u \in G$ fixing the sector germ, by § 2.2.4(3) and § 2.3.1.

Proof. There are $g_1 \in G_{twin}, g_2 \in U^\epsilon$ such that $A = g_1.\mathbb{A}_\oplus = g_2.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$. So $g_2^{-1}g_1 \in Stab_G(\mathbb{A}_\oplus) = N$ and $g_1 \in G_{twin} \cap (U^\epsilon.N) = U_{twin}^\epsilon.N_{twin}$ by Lemma 4.4. One writes $g_1 = u.n$ with $u \in U_{twin}^\epsilon$ and $n \in N$ (stabilizing \mathbb{A}_\oplus), so $A = u.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and the lemma is proved. \square

4.3.2. *Decomposition of twin Iwahori subgroups?* We saw in § 2.2.4 that the fixator in G of the fundamental positive local chamber C_{\oplus} in \mathcal{S}_{\oplus} , may be written

$$I_{\oplus} = U_{C_{\oplus}}^+ \cdot U_{C_{\oplus}}^- \cdot \mathfrak{I}(\mathcal{K}_{\omega_{\oplus}=0}), \quad \text{with } U_{C_{\oplus}}^{\pm} = I_{\oplus} \cap U^{\pm}.$$

We would like such a decomposition of $I_{\text{twin}} = I_{\oplus} \cap G_{\text{twin}}$ or $I_{\text{pol}} = I_{\oplus} \cap G_{\text{pol}}$. But this is impossible in general as shown by the following counterexample for $\mathfrak{G} = \text{SL}_2$ (semi-simple).

Then I_{\oplus} is the group of the products $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ v & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z & 0 \\ 0 & z^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ with $u, v, z \in \mathcal{K}, \omega_{\oplus}(u) \geq 0, \omega_{\oplus}(v) > 0$ and $\omega_{\oplus}(z) = 0$. But the fixator in $\text{SL}_2(\mathcal{K})$ of $0_{\mathfrak{v}} \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is $\text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ [11], so such a product fixes $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ if, and only if, $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(z) \leq 0, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(zv) \geq 0, \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(z^{-1}u) \geq 0$ and $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(z(1+uv)) \geq 0$; hence it is in G_{pol} if, and only if, $z^{-1} \in \mathcal{O}, zv \in \mathcal{O}, z^{-1}u \in \mathcal{O}$ and $z(1+uv) \in \mathcal{O}$. Actually then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ v & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z & 0 \\ 0 & z^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z(1+uv) & z^{-1}u \\ zv & z^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}),$$

and $\text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}) = (\text{SL}_2)_{\text{twin}}$ as \mathcal{O} is a principal ideal domain and SL_2 is semisimple.

One chooses $P \in \mathbb{k}[\varpi]$ an irreducible polynomial, $P \neq \varpi$ and writes Bezout $1 = -\varpi u' + Pv'$, with $u', v' \in \mathbb{k}[\varpi]$, we may choose $v' \in \mathbb{k}$. One chooses $z^{-1} := P, z^{-1}u := u', zv := \varpi$, i.e. $u = u'/P, v = P\varpi$, so $z(1+uv) = P^{-1}(1+u'\varpi) = v'$. Hence $g := \begin{pmatrix} v' & u' \\ \varpi & P \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u'/P \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ P\varpi & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & P \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u'/v' \\ \varpi/v' & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v' & 0 \\ 0 & v'^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ is in the Iwahori subgroup of SL_2 and in $(\text{SL}_2)_{\text{twin}}$, but its (unique) decomposition in U^+U^-T involves factors not in $(\text{SL}_2)_{\text{pol}}$. Nevertheless the last decomposition shows that g is in $U_+H = \langle H, (U_{\alpha+r\xi})_{\alpha+r\xi \in \Phi_{\alpha+}} \rangle$. This agrees with the fact that, in reductive cases, the answer to the question in § 4.1.9 DR5, NB3 is yes.

4.3.3. *Groups associated with spherical vectorial facets.* We choose now to work in \mathcal{S}_{\oplus} , but the similar results in \mathcal{S}_{\ominus} are also true.

So we consider a spherical vectorial facet $F^{\vee} \subset \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$.

- (1) Following [31, 6.2.1, 6.2.2, 6.2.3, 12.5.2] we associate to the facet F^{\vee} a parabolic subgroup of $G = \mathfrak{G}(\mathcal{K})$ with a Levi decomposition: $P(F^{\vee}) = M(F^{\vee}) \ltimes U(F^{\vee})$. Actually $M(F^{\vee})$ is a \mathcal{K} -split reductive subgroup with maximal \mathcal{K} -split torus \mathfrak{T} and root system $\Phi^{\text{m}}(F^{\vee}) = \{\alpha \in \Phi \mid \alpha(F^{\vee}) = 0\}$. It is generated by T and the U_{α} for $\alpha \in \Phi^{\text{m}}(F^{\vee})$. And $U(F^{\vee})$ is the smallest normal subgroup of $P(F^{\vee})$ containing all U_{α} for $\alpha \in \Phi^{\text{u}}(F^{\vee}) = \{\alpha \in \Phi \mid \alpha(F^{\vee}) > 0\}$.
- (2) Parabolics and G_{twin} . One defines $U_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) := U(F^{\vee}) \cap G_{\text{twin}}, M_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) := \langle T_{\text{twin}}; \mathfrak{U}_{\alpha}(\mathcal{O}), \alpha \in \Phi^{\text{m}}(F^{\vee}) \rangle$ and $P_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) := M_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) \ltimes U_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee})$.

One has clearly $U_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) \supset \langle \mathfrak{U}_{\alpha}(\mathcal{O}) \mid \alpha \in \Phi^{\text{u}}(F^{\vee}) \rangle, M_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) \subset M(F^{\vee}) \cap G_{\text{twin}}$ and $P_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) \subset P(F^{\vee}) \cap G_{\text{twin}}$. These three inclusions may certainly be strict in general.

From the definition in § 4.1.5, one gets easily that $U_{\text{twin}}^{++} \subset P_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee})$ when $F^{\vee} \subset \overline{C_j^{\vee}}$.

One may also define $U_{\text{pol}}(F^{\vee}) := U(F^{\vee}) \cap G_{\text{pol}}, M_{\text{pol}}(F^{\vee}) := M(F^{\vee}) \cap G_{\text{pol}}$ and $P_{\text{pol}}(F^{\vee}) := M_{\text{pol}}(F^{\vee}) \ltimes U_{\text{pol}}(F^{\vee})$.

- (3) Twin Iwasawa decomposition. Let C_1 be a local facet in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} or \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} . As in § 4.3.1 or § 4.1.2(2) one defines $I_{\text{twin}}(C_1)$ or $I_{\text{pol}}(C_1)$ as the stabilizer (or fixator) in G_{twin} or G_{pol} of C_1 . So, from Remark 3.12, one gets the following Iwasawa decompositions:

$$G_{\text{twin}} = P_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) \cdot N_{\text{twin}} \cdot I_{\text{twin}}(C_1)$$

and

$$G_{\text{pol}} = P_{\text{twin}}(F^{\vee}) \cdot N_{\text{twin}} \cdot I_{\text{pol}}(C_1) = P_{\text{pol}}(F^{\vee}) \cdot N_{\text{pol}} \cdot I_{\text{pol}}(C_1).$$

4.3.4. *Parabolo-parahoric subgroups.* We consider now a splayed chimney $\mathfrak{r}_0 = cl(F, F^\vee)$ in \mathbb{A}_\oplus (with direction F^\vee) and its germ \mathfrak{R}_0 .

- (1) Following [34, 6.5], we define $P^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) = P^\mu(\mathfrak{R}_0) = M^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \ltimes U(F^\vee)$, where $M^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) = M^\mu(\mathfrak{R}_0)$ is the parahoric subgroup of the reductive group $M(F^\vee)$, fixator of the local facet F (or of $\mathfrak{r}_0, \mathfrak{R}_0$, as \mathfrak{r}_0 is in the enclosure of F for the reductive group $M(F^\vee)$). From [34, 6.5, 6.6], we get that the group $P^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0)$ fixes the chimney germ \mathfrak{R}_0 . It depends only on \mathfrak{R}_0 , but it is not clear that it is the whole fixator of \mathfrak{R}_0 in G .
- (2) We consider also the subgroup $P_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) = P_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{R}_0) = M_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \ltimes U(F^\vee)$ of $P^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \cap G_{twin}$, where $M_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) = \langle \mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k}); U_{\alpha+r\xi}, \alpha \in \Phi^m(F^\vee), (\alpha + r\xi)(F) \geq 0 \rangle \subset M^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \cap G_{twin}$.

Actually $M_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0)$ is the parabolic subgroup of the affine Kac–Moody group $M_{twin}(F^\vee)$ associated to the local facet $F \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. To see precisely $M_{twin}(F^\vee)$ as an affine Kac–Moody group, one has to write it $\mathfrak{M}(F^\vee)(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}])$ where $\mathfrak{M}(F^\vee)$ is the split reductive algebraic group (or group-scheme) with root system $\Phi^m(F^\vee)$ and split maximal torus \mathfrak{T} .

Theorem 4.16. *With the above notations in § 4.3.3 and § 4.3.4, we have:*

$$G_{twin} = P_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \cdot N_{twin} \cdot I_{twin}(C_1)$$

N.B.

- (a) This is the mixed twin Iwasawa decomposition. It mixes an Iwasawa decomposition in G_{twin} and a Bruhat decomposition (if $C_1 \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$) or a Birkhoff decomposition (if $C_1 \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$) in the Kac–Moody group $M_{twin}(F^\vee)$ (which is actually reductive).
- (b) One has also $G_{pol} = P_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \cdot N_{twin} \cdot I_{pol}(C_1)$.

Proof. Let $g \in G_{twin}$ (resp. $g \in G_{pol}$). From § 4.3.3, one gets $p \in P_{twin}(F^\vee)$, $n \in N_{twin}$, $q \in I_{twin}(C_1)$ (resp. $q \in I_{pol}(C_1)$) and $u \in U_{twin}(F^\vee)$, $m \in M_{twin}(F^\vee)$ with $g = pnq$ and $p = um$.

Then one uses the Bruhat (resp. Birkhoff) decomposition in the affine Kac–Moody group $M_{twin}(F^\vee)$ associated to the local facets $F \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and $n(C_1) \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (resp. $n(C_1) \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$). So:

$$m = p_1 n_1 q_1 \quad \text{with } p_1 \in M_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0), \quad n_1 \in N_{twin} \cap M_{twin}(F^\vee)$$

and

$$q_1 \in \langle \mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k}); U_{\alpha+r\xi}, \alpha \in \Phi^m(F^\vee), (\alpha + r\xi)(n(C_1)) \geq 0 \rangle.$$

Now $n^{-1}q_1n \in I_{twin}(C_1)$ and $g = up_1n_1nn^{-1}q_1nq$ is in $P_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \cdot N_{twin} \cdot I_{twin}(C_1)$ (resp. in $P_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{r}_0) \cdot N_{twin} \cdot I_{pol}(C_1)$). □

Corollary 4.17. *Let C be a local facet in \mathcal{S}_\oplus (resp. in \mathcal{S}_\ominus) and \mathfrak{R} a splayed chimney germ in \mathcal{S}_\oplus . Then C and \mathfrak{R} are always contained in a same twin apartment A : $\mathfrak{R} \subset A_\oplus$ and $C \subset A_\oplus$ (resp. $C \subset A_\ominus$).*

N.B. *Mutatis mutandis, one may also clearly suppose $\mathfrak{R} \subset \mathcal{S}_\ominus$.*

Proof. There are $g, h \in G_{twin}$ with $C_1 = g^{-1}C \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (resp. $C_1 = g^{-1}C \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$) and $\mathfrak{R}_0 = h^{-1}\mathfrak{R} \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. From Theorem 4.16, one gets $p \in P_{twin}^\mu(\mathfrak{R}_0)$, $n \in N_{twin}$ and $q \in I_{twin}(C_1)$ such that $h^{-1}g = pnq$. Now p fixes \mathfrak{R}_0 (by § 4.3.4) and q fixes C_1 (by definition). So $C = gC_1 = hpnC_1 \subset hp(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ (resp. $\subset hp(\mathbb{A}_\ominus)$) and $\mathfrak{R} = h\mathfrak{R}_0 = hp\mathfrak{R}_0 \subset hp(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$. We conclude now with $A = hp(\mathbb{A})$ as $hp \in G_{twin}$. □

Remark 4.18. When \mathfrak{R} is a sector germ and $C \subset \mathcal{I}_\oplus$, this corollary is a consequence of Corollary 3.8(2). When \mathfrak{R} is still a sector germ and $C \subset \mathcal{I}_\ominus$, then this corollary may also be deduced from Corollary 3.8(2): actually we have bijections between the sets of sector germs in \mathcal{I}_\oplus or in \mathcal{I}_\ominus (and with the set of chambers in $\mathcal{V}\mathcal{I}$).

When \mathfrak{R} is no longer a sector germ and $C \subset \mathcal{I}_\ominus$, this corollary or Theorem 4.16 gives a kind of non trivial link between \mathcal{I}_\oplus and \mathcal{I}_\ominus . It may be considered as a weak twinning of \mathcal{I}_\oplus and \mathcal{I}_\ominus . The twinning that may be hoped is a Birkhoff decomposition looking like Theorem 4.16, with $C_1 \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$ and τ_0 replaced by a local facet in \mathbb{A}_\oplus (well chosen with respect to C_1). See § 4.4 below.

4.4. Expected Birkhoff decompositions and retraction centered at C_∞ . Let H be G_{twin} (resp. G_{pol}), let $E_+ \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$, $E_- \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$ be either points or local facets and let H_{E_\pm} be their fixators in H . Then a *Birkhoff decomposition* in H is a decomposition $H = H_{E_+} \cdot \text{Stab}_H(\mathbb{A}) \cdot H_{E_-}$; one may also consider a decomposition $H' = H_{E_+} \cdot (\text{Stab}_H(\mathbb{A}) \cap H') \cdot H_{E_-}$ for a subsemigroup H' of H . As in § 2.3.2, the existence of such a decomposition means that any $h_+ \cdot E_+$ and $h_- \cdot E_-$ (for $h_+, h_- \in H$, with some conditions in the case of H') are in a same twin apartment $A \in \mathcal{A}_{twin}$, if $H \subset G_{twin}$ (or in a same G_{pol} -twin apartment $A \in \mathcal{A}_{pol}$, if $H \subset G_{pol}$). In the case where \mathfrak{G} is a reductive group, then $\mathcal{I} = (\mathcal{I}_\oplus, \mathcal{I}_\ominus)$ is a twin building with a strongly transitive action of the affine Kac-Moody group $G_{twin} = G_{pol}$ (see Remark 4.2. Then the Birkhoff decomposition, for G_{twin} , is well known (see e.g. [31]).

4.4.1. Conjectures. One would perhaps have liked that any pair of chambers $C_x \subset \mathcal{I}_\oplus$, $C_y \subset \mathcal{I}_\ominus$ is twin-friendly, i.e. there exists a twin apartment (A_\oplus, A_\ominus) with $C_x \subset A_\oplus$, $C_y \subset A_\ominus$. This would correspond to a Birkhoff decomposition $H = H_{E_+} \cdot N_H(\mathbb{A}) \cdot H_{E_-}$ for $H = G_{twin}$ and E_+, E_- as in § 4.4.

But the experience of measures leads to think that this is not true in general. A counterexample is actually given below in § 6. From this it is reasonable to think that a condition like $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$ has to be added.

For Muthiah’s purposes, we may restrict to the case $C_y \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus \subset \mathcal{I}_\ominus$, $C_y = C_\infty = \text{germ}_0(-C_f^y)$ is the fundamental chamber in \mathcal{I}_\ominus . Then we write 0_\oplus the element $0 \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$.

We give below two conjectures, the first one closely related to Muthiah’s framework.

Conjecture 4.19. For $x \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ such that $x \leq 0_\oplus$ or $x \geq 0_\oplus$, then (C_x, C_∞) is twin friendly.

Actually Muthiah needs a weaker result: for $x \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$, with $x \leq 0_\oplus$ and $(x, 0_\ominus)$ twin friendly, then, for any $z \in [0_\oplus, x]$, the pair $(z, 0_\ominus)$ is twin friendly.

But, using Proposition 4.6 and the following Proposition 4.21, we get from such a result the general conjecture above (at least for $x \overset{\circ}{\leq} 0_\oplus$).

Enhanced conjecture 4.20. For $x \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ and $y \in \mathcal{I}_\ominus$, we write $x \leq y$ (resp. $x \geq y$) if there is a twin apartment $A = (A_\oplus, A_\ominus)$ with $x \in A_\oplus, y \in A_\ominus$ and $op_A(y) \geq x$ (resp. $op_A(y) \leq x$), where $op_A(y)$ is the point in A_\oplus opposite y .

Then, for $x' \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ and $y' \in \mathcal{I}_\ominus$ with $x' \leq x$ and $y \leq y'$ (resp. $x' \geq x$ and $y \geq y'$) one has $x' \leq y'$ (resp. $x' \geq y'$).

This second conjecture seems to be a reasonable generalization of the result known in measures.

Note that these two conjectures are certainly more reasonable, if we replace everywhere \leq by $\overset{\circ}{\leq}$ and \geq by $\overset{\circ}{\geq}$.

In a recent preprint [30], Manish Patnaik looks at the above conjecture in the untwisted affine case, i.e. for loop groups. Unfortunately the Birkhoff decomposition he gets is, up to now, proved only in a completion of the Kac–Moody group.

Proposition 4.21. *For $x \overset{\circ}{\leq} y$ in \mathcal{I}_\oplus , there is a $z \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ such that $x \in [z, y]$ and (z, C_∞) is twin friendly.*

Proof. One may suppose $x \neq y$. There is an apartment A_\oplus in \mathcal{I}_\oplus containing x and y . One may consider in A_\oplus the spherical vectorial facet F^\vee of $\overrightarrow{A_\oplus}$ containing \overrightarrow{yx} , the ray $\delta = y + \mathbb{R}_+\overrightarrow{yx}$ and the splayed chimney $\mathfrak{r} = \mathfrak{r}(F(y, F^\vee), F^\vee)$. By Corollary 4.17, there is a twin apartment (A'_\ominus, A'_\oplus) such that $C_\infty \subset A'_\ominus$ and A'_\oplus contains the germ \mathfrak{R} of \mathfrak{r} , i.e. A'_\oplus contains a shortening $\mathfrak{r}(F(y + k\overrightarrow{yx}, F^\vee), F^\vee)$ of \mathfrak{r} (for some $k \in \mathbb{R}$ supposed ≥ 1). Then A'_\oplus contains $z = y + k\overrightarrow{yx}$ (and the ray $z + \mathbb{R}_+\overrightarrow{yx}$). So (z, C_∞) is twin friendly and $x \in [z, y]$ (as $k \geq 1$). \square

4.4.2. *Retraction centered at C_∞ .* Our main motivation to study twin measures is the study of the Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials introduced by Muthiah in [29] in the Kac–Moody frameworks. His definition involves the cardinalities of sets of the form

$$K_{twin}\varpi^\lambda K_{twin} \cap I_\infty\varpi^\mu K_{twin}/K_{twin}, \tag{4.1}$$

where K_{twin} is the fixator of 0_\oplus in G_{twin} and $\lambda, \mu \in Y^+ = Y \cap \mathcal{T}$ (and ϖ^λ is defined in § 2.2.2). The strategy he proposes to compute these cardinalities follows the steps below.

- (1) Define a retraction $\rho_{C_\infty} : \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus} = \{x \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus \mid x \leq 0_\oplus\} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus} = \mathbb{A}_\oplus \cap \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus}$ centered at C_∞ . Then the coset (4.1) is in bijection with

$$\{x \in \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus} \mid d^V(0_\oplus, x) = -\lambda \text{ and } \rho_{C_\infty}(x) = -\mu\}, \tag{4.2}$$

(see § 5.2 for the definition of d^V).

Recall that for us, following Tits, ϖ^λ acts on \mathbb{A}_\oplus by the translation of vector $-\lambda$: see § 4.1.8.

- (2) Study the images by ρ_{C_∞} of line-segments of $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus}$. He proves in [29] that such an image is a piecewise linear path of \mathbb{A}_\oplus satisfying certain conditions. He calls such paths I_∞ –Hecke paths.
- (3) Prove that an I_∞ –Hecke path from 0_\oplus to $-\mu$ in \mathbb{A}_\oplus , of shape $-\lambda$, has only a finite (computable) number of liftings as line segments of $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus}$ from 0_\oplus to $x \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ with $d^V(0_\oplus, x) = -\lambda$.
- (4) Prove that, for λ and μ given, there is only a finite number of I_∞ –Hecke paths from 0_\oplus to $-\mu$ in \mathbb{A}_\oplus , of shape $-\lambda$. Together with 3. this gives the cardinality of the set (4.2).

In [29], Muthiah achieves steps 2 and 3 in general and step 4 in certain cases (when G is untwisted affine of type A, D or E , see [29, Theorem 5.54]). Step 4 is achieved in full generality in [23, Corollary 3.11]. However, step 1 is only conjectural.

We now explain step 1, i.e. how to define ρ_{C_∞} under the assumption that $(G_{twin})_\oplus^+$ (or $(G_{twin})_\oplus^-$) admits a Birkhoff decomposition (which is still conjectural). Steps 2 and 3 will be explained with great details in § 5, see particularly § 5.3, § 5.9 and Theorem 5.9. In step 3, it seems that our formula for the number of liftings of a C_∞ –Hecke path is more precise than Muthiah’s formula. We shall tell nothing about step 4.

Let $\mathcal{E} = I_\infty.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$. Then \mathcal{E} is the set of elements $x \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ such that $x \cup C_\infty$ is G_{twin} -friendly. Indeed, take $x \in \mathcal{E}$ and write $x = i_\infty.y$, with $i_\infty \in I_\infty$ and $y \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. Then $A := i_\infty.\mathbb{A}$ contains $x \cup C_\infty$. Conversely, let $x \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ be such that $x \cup C_\infty$ is G_{twin} -friendly. Then

there exists $g \in G_{twin}$ such that $A := g.\mathbb{A}$ contains $x \cup C_\infty$. Then by Theorem 4.12, there exists $h \in G_{twin}$ such that $h.\mathbb{A} = A$ and h fixes $A \cap \mathbb{A}$. Then $h \in I_\infty$ and there exists $y \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ such that $h.y = x$, so $x \in \mathcal{E}$.

Lemma 4.22. *Let $z \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and $i_\infty \in I_\infty$ be such that $i_\infty.z \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. Then $i_\infty.z = z$.*

Proof. Let $A = i_\infty.\mathbb{A} = (i_\infty.\mathbb{A}_\oplus, i_\infty.\mathbb{A}_\ominus)$. By Theorem 4.12, there exists $h \in G_{twin}$ such that $h.A = \mathbb{A}$ and h fixes $A \cap \mathbb{A}$. Then hi_∞ stabilizes \mathbb{A} and thus it belongs to N_{twin} . As hi_∞ fixes C_∞ , it fixes an open subset of \mathbb{A}_\ominus . Therefore hi_∞ fixes \mathbb{A}_\ominus . By § 4.1.7(d), hi_∞ lies in $\mathfrak{T}(\mathbb{k})$ and thus it also fixes \mathbb{A}_\oplus . Therefore $hi_\infty.z = z = i_\infty.z$. \square

We define $\rho_{C_\infty} : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ by $\rho_{C_\infty}(i_\infty.x) = x$ for $x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and $i_\infty \in I_\infty$. This is well-defined by the lemma above. Moreover it is I_∞ -invariant and $\rho_{C_\infty}(x) = x$ for all $x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$, so it satisfies the conditions of [29, Proposition 2.4], with $Q = I_\infty$.

It is however difficult to describe explicitly \mathcal{E} . It is related to the existence of Birkhoff decompositions on G by the lemma below. For our purpose, we would like that \mathcal{E} contains $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$ (or $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus}$, since our sign conventions differ from the ones of Muthiah). In the following of this § 4.4 we work with $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$, but the same results are true for $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \leq 0_\oplus}$.

We set $(G_{twin})_\oplus^+ = \{g \in G_{twin} \mid g.0_\oplus \geq 0_\oplus\}$.

Lemma 4.23.

- (1) Let $J = \bigcap_{x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus} I_\infty N_{twin}(G_x \cap G_{twin})$ and $J^+ = \bigcap_{x \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}} I_\infty N_{twin}(G_x \cap G_{twin})$. Then $\mathcal{E} \supset J.\mathbb{A}_\oplus \cup J^+.\mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$.
- (2) If $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{I}_\oplus$, then $G_{twin} = J$.
- (3) If \mathfrak{G} is reductive, then $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{I}_\oplus$.
- (4) We have $(G_{twin})_\oplus^+.\mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus} = \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$.
- (5) We have $J^+ \supset (G_{twin})_\oplus^+.$ if and only if $\mathcal{E} \supset \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$.

Proof. (2) Suppose $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{I}_\oplus$. Let $g \in G_{twin}$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. Then $g.x \in \mathcal{E}$ and thus there exists $i_\infty \in I_\infty, y \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ such that $g.x = i_\infty.y$ and $(i_\infty)^{-1}g.x = y$. Let $h \in G_{twin}$ be such that $h(i_\infty)^{-1}g.\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}$ and such that h fixes $\mathbb{A} \cap (i_\infty)^{-1}g.\mathbb{A}$ (Theorem 4.12). Set $n = h(i_\infty)^{-1}g$. Then $n \in N_{twin}$ and $y = n.x$. Then $g.x = i_\infty n.x$ and hence $n^{-1}(i_\infty)^{-1}g \in G_x$. Consequently, $g \in I_\infty N_{twin}(G_x \cap G_{twin})$ and $G_{twin} = J$.

(1) Let $x \in J.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and $j \in J, y \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ be such that $x = j.y$. Write $j = i_\infty n k$, where $(i_\infty, n, k) \in I_\infty \times N_{twin} \times (G_y \cap G_{twin})$. Then $x = i_\infty.(n.y) \in \mathcal{E}$, so $\mathcal{E} \supset J.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$. Similarly we have $J^+.\mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus} \subset \mathcal{E}$.

(3) Suppose \mathfrak{G} is reductive. Then we have $G_{twin} = I_\infty N_{twin} I_{twin}$, by the Birkhoff decomposition in the affine Kac–Moody group over \mathbb{k} , $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]) = G_{twin}$. Therefore we have $G_{twin} = I_\infty N_{twin} m I_{twin} m^{-1}$ for every $m \in N$. Take $x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. Then there exists $m \in N_{twin}$ such that $m^{-1}.x \in \overline{C}_\oplus$. Then $G_x \cap G_{twin} \supset m I_{twin} m^{-1}$, which proves (3) using (1).

(4) Let $g \in (G_{twin})_\oplus^+$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$. Then $x \geq 0_\oplus$ and by G -invariance of \leq we have $g.x \geq g.0_\oplus$. By definition of $(G_{twin})_\oplus^+$, we have $g.0_\oplus \geq 0_\oplus$. By transitivity of \leq , $g.x \geq 0_\oplus$, thus $(G_{twin})_\oplus^+.\mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus} \subset \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$. Let $x \in \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$. Then there exists $g \in G_{twin}$ such that $g.x, g.0_\oplus \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and $g.x \geq g.0_\oplus$. We can moreover assume that $g.0_\oplus = 0_\oplus$ (see Corollary 3.10.1 and Proposition 3.9). Then $x = g^{-1}.(g.x)$ and $g^{-1} \in (G_{twin})_\oplus^+$, hence $x \in (G_{twin})_\oplus^+.\mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$. Therefore $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus} \subset (G_{twin})_\oplus^+.\mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$ which proves (4).

(5) By (1) and (4), we already have the implication “ \Rightarrow ”. Assume $\mathcal{E} \supset \mathcal{I}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$ and take $g \in (G_{twin})_\oplus^+$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus, \geq 0_\oplus}$. Then by G -invariance of \leq , we have $g.x \geq g.0_\oplus \geq 0_\oplus$, so

$g.x \in \mathcal{J}_{\oplus, \geq 0_{\oplus}} \subset \mathcal{E}$. Therefore there exists $y \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$ and $i_{\infty} \in I_{\infty}$ such that $g.x = i_{\infty}.y$. As in the proof of (2), we have $y \in N_{\text{twin}}.x$, thus $g \in I_{\infty}N_{\text{twin}}(G_x \cap G_{\text{twin}})$ and the lemma follows. \square

As we shall see in § 6.5, $J \neq G_{\text{twin}}$ in general. We conjecture that $J^+ \supset (G_{\text{twin}})_{\oplus}^+$ which is equivalent to $\mathcal{E} \supset \mathcal{J}_{\oplus, \geq 0_{\oplus}}$, by the lemma above. We also expect similar results for $\mathcal{J}_{\oplus, \leq 0_{\oplus}}$, $(G_{\text{twin}})_{\oplus}^-$ and J^- (where J^- is defined similarly to J^+).

Remark 4.24. It seems also natural to define $\mathcal{E}' = I_{\ominus}.\mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$ and then define $\rho'_{C_{\infty}} : \mathcal{E}' \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$ by $\rho_{C_{\infty}}(i.x) = x$ for $i \in I_{\ominus}$, $x \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$. However this is not defined in general because the fixator of \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} in G does not fix \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} . Indeed, let $z \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$ be such that $\omega_{\oplus}(z) \neq 0$ and $\omega_{\ominus}(z) = 0$ and $\lambda \in Y \setminus \{0\}$. Set $z^{\lambda} = \lambda(z) \in T$ (recall that $Y = \text{Hom}(\mathfrak{Mult}, \mathfrak{T})$). Then z^{λ} acts by translation of vector $-\omega_{\oplus}(z)\lambda$ on \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} and by translation of vector $\omega_{\ominus}(z)\lambda = 0$ on \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} . Actually, $\nu_{\oplus}(\mathfrak{T}(\mathcal{O}_{\oplus}^*)) = Y$, so we can define $\rho'_{C_{\infty}} : \mathcal{E}' \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}/Y$. Then we can define the image by $\rho'_{C_{\infty}}$ of a line-segment of \mathcal{E}' (up to an element of Y) by demanding its image to be continuous. So it might be helpful to look for a Birkhoff decomposition of G instead of a Birkhoff decomposition of G_{twin} , in order to study Kazhdan–Lusztig polynomials.

5. C_{∞} –HECKE PATHS

As explained above in § 4.4.1, we do not get what is expected to define the retraction $\rho_{I_{\infty}} = \rho_{C_{\infty}}$ (on a great part of \mathcal{J}_{\oplus}). One would like that $\forall x \in \mathcal{J}_{\oplus}, x \geq 0_{\oplus}$ (or $x \leq 0_{\oplus}$), then (x, C_{∞}) is twin friendly. Actually we get interesting results if, at least, (z, C_{∞}) is twin friendly for any $z \in [0_{\oplus}, x]$. Then $\rho_{I_{\infty}} = \rho_{C_{\infty}}$ is defined on $[0_{\oplus}, x]$ (by Theorem 4.12 or by § 4.4.2). In this section we shall prove, using Proposition 4.6, that $\rho_{C_{\infty}}([0_{\oplus}, x])$ is an I_{∞} –Hecke path (as defined in [29]). Actually C_{∞} is the canonical (negative) local chamber in \mathcal{J}_{\ominus} and $\rho_{C_{\infty}} = \rho_{I_{\infty}}$ is the retraction of (a part of) \mathcal{J}_{\oplus} onto (a part of) \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} with center C_{∞} ; it is also defined on a part of \mathcal{J}_{\ominus} (using a Bruhat decomposition in \mathcal{J}_{\ominus}).

More precisely, under the above hypothesis on $[0_{\oplus}, x]$, we prove that $\rho_{C_{\infty}}([0_{\oplus}, x])$ is a λ –path (with $\lambda = d^v(0_{\oplus}, x)$) and may be endowed with a superdecoration (§ 5.2, § 5.3). Conversely we prove that any superdecorated λ –path is the image by $\rho_{C_{\infty}}$ of a line segment $[0_{\oplus}, x]$ with $\lambda = d^v(0_{\oplus}, x)$ and we count the number of these possible x (Theorem 5.9). Then, starting from § 5.7, we get that the underlying path of a superdecorated λ –path is a C_{∞} –Hecke path of shape λ , for the definition of D. Muthiah (§ 5.11).

5.1. Projections and retractions.

5.1.1. One considers a twin friendly pair (C_y, x) with C_y a local chamber in \mathcal{J}_{\ominus} and $x \in \mathcal{J}_{\oplus}$. So one may suppose $C_y \subset \mathbb{A}_{\ominus}$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}$ (up to an element of G_{twin}).

By § 4.4.2, the retraction ${}^+\rho_{C_y}$ of $\mathcal{T}_x^{\pm}(\mathcal{J}_{\oplus})$ onto $\mathcal{T}_x^{\pm}(\mathbb{A}_{\oplus})$ with center C_y is well defined. This means that ${}^+\rho_{C_y}([x, z])$ or ${}^+\rho_{C_y}(C_x)$ is well defined for $z \in \mathcal{J}_{\oplus}$ and $x \leq z$ (resp. $z \leq x$) or when C_x is a local chamber at x in \mathcal{J}_{\oplus} with positive (resp. negative) direction (recall that $[x, z]$ is the germ of $[x, z]$ at x).

5.1.2. *Projections:* One defines: $\widetilde{pr}_x(C_y)$ (resp. $pr_x(C_y)$, also written C_x^{∞} when $C_y = C_{\infty}$) is the germ in x of the intersection of the half-apartments $D_{\oplus}(\alpha + k)$ with $\alpha \in \Phi$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ (resp. of the open-half-spaces $D_{\oplus}^{\circ}(\alpha + k)$ with $\alpha \in \Phi$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$) such that $D_{\text{twin}}(\alpha + k\xi) \supset \{x\} \cup C_y$. By Theorem 4.12, $\widetilde{pr}_x(C_y)$ (resp. $pr_x(C_y)$) is independent of the choice of $(\mathbb{A}_{\ominus}, \mathbb{A}_{\oplus})$ containing (C_y, x) .

One may remark that $\Phi_a(C_y) := \{\alpha + k\xi \in \Phi_a \mid D_{\text{twin}}(\alpha + k\xi) \supset C_y\}$ looks like a system of positive roots in Φ_a (in a clear sense). But it is not clear that C_x^∞ is a local chamber (its direction might be outside the Tits cone).

5.1.3. We are mostly interested in the case $C_y = C_\infty$, hence ${}^+\rho_{C_y} = \rho_{C_\infty} = \rho_{I_\infty}$. Then $\Phi_a(C_y) = \Phi_{a-}$ i.e. $C_y \subset D_{\text{twin}}(\alpha + k\xi) \iff C_\oplus \subset D_{\text{twin}}(-\alpha - k\xi)$. So (if $x \in \pm\mathcal{T}^\circ$, more precisely $x \overset{\circ}{>} 0_\oplus$ or $x \leq 0_\oplus$), C_x^∞ is the local chamber opposite at x to $pr_x(C_\oplus)$ (defined similarly to $pr_x(C_y)$ above, see [8, 2.1] for details); its sign is $+$ if $x \overset{\circ}{>} 0_\oplus$ and $-$ if $x \leq 0_\oplus$. Moreover $\widetilde{pr}_x(C_y)$ is the closed chamber in the restricted sense (see [14, § 4.5]) containing $pr_x(C_y) = C_x^\infty$. If x is a special vertex, $\widetilde{pr}_x(C_y) = \overline{pr_x(C_y)}$.

N.B.

- (a) Note that we chose above to suppose (up to G_{twin}) that $C_y \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. So, in general, when we speak of $C_0 = C_0(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ (resp. 0) in this § 5, it means the positive local chamber (resp. the vertex $0(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$) opposite C_∞ (resp. 0_\ominus) in a twin apartment $A_{\text{twin}} \supset \mathbb{A}_\ominus \cup \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (in the sense of § 4.1.10 and § 4.1.3) such that $C_\infty \subset \mathbb{A}_\ominus$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. By Theorem 4.12 the condition $x \overset{\circ}{>} 0(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ or $x \leq 0(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ does not depend of the choice of A_{twin} .
- (b) In this case $C_y = C_\infty$ and $x \overset{\circ}{>} 0$ or $x \leq 0$, we proved that C_x^∞ is a local chamber.

Lemma 5.1. *Let C_x be a local chamber at x in \mathcal{I}_\oplus . Then there are affine roots $\alpha_1 + k_1\xi, \dots, \alpha_n + k_n\xi \in \Phi_a(C_y)$ with $(\alpha_i + k_i\xi)(x) = 0$ and elements $u_i \in U_{\alpha_i + k_i\xi} \subset G_{\text{twin}} \cap G_x \cap G_{C_y}$ (possibly $u_i = 1$) such that ${}^+\rho_{C_y}(C_x) = u_n \dots u_1.C_x$.*

In particular ${}^+\rho_{C_y}$ restricted to $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(\mathcal{I}_\oplus)$ is induced by elements of the group $G_{\text{twin}}^{\text{min}}(x) = \langle U_{\beta+r\xi} \mid \beta + r\xi \in \Phi_a(C_y); (\beta + r\xi)(x) = 0 \rangle \subset G_{\text{twin}} \cap G_x$, which fixes $\widetilde{pr}_x(C_y)$. Hence (in the case of 3) above) this restriction (of ${}^+\rho_{C_y} = \rho_{C_\infty}$) is the retraction ρ' of $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(\mathcal{I}_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ with center $\widetilde{pr}_x(C_y)$ (or $pr_x(C_y) = C_x^\infty$).

N.B. $G_{\text{twin}} \cap G_x \cap G_{C_y}$ has the same restriction to $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(+\mathcal{I})$ as $G_{\text{twin}}^{\text{min}}(x)$.

Proof. Let $C^0 \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus, C^1, \dots, C^n = C_x$ be a minimal gallery of local chambers at x in \mathcal{I}_\oplus , with origin in \mathbb{A}_\oplus and end C_x . One argues by induction on n ; it is clear for $n = 0$. If $n \geq 1$, one considers the hyperplane $M_\oplus(\alpha_1 + k_1\xi)$ (with $\alpha_1 \in \Phi, k_1 \in \mathbb{R}$) of \mathbb{A}_\oplus containing the local panel common to C^0 and C^1 . One may suppose $(\alpha_1 + k_1\xi)(C_y) \geq 0$. If $k_1 \notin \mathbb{Z}$, this hyperplane is not a wall and $C^1 \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. By induction ${}^+\rho_{C_y}(C_x) = u_n \dots u_2.C_x$ (with clear notations) and we are done (we replace k_1 by any $k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ and take $u_1 = 1$). If $k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $\alpha_1 + k_1\xi \in \Phi_a(C_y)$, and, as in Proposition 4.6, one sees that there exists $u_1 \in U_{\alpha_1 + k_1\xi}$ such that $u_1 C^1 \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. One considers the gallery $u_1 C^1, \dots, u_1 C^n = u_1 C_x$. By induction there are $\alpha_2 + k_2\xi, \dots, \alpha_n + k_n\xi \in \Phi_a(C_y)$ with $(\alpha_i + k_i\xi)(x) = 0$ and elements $u_i \in U_{\alpha_i + k_i\xi} \subset G_{\text{twin}} \cap G_x \cap G_{C_y}$ such that ${}^+\rho_{C_y}(u_1 C_x) = u_n \dots u_2.u_1.C_x$. So ${}^+\rho_{C_y}(C_x) = {}^+\rho_{C_y}(u_1 C_x) = u_n \dots u_2.u_1.C_x$ as expected. As each u_i fixes $\widetilde{pr}_x(C_y)$ and $pr_x(C_y)$, it is also equal to $\rho'(C_x)$. □

5.2. C_∞ -friendly line segments in \mathcal{I}_\oplus .

5.2.1. Let $x, y \in \mathcal{I}_\oplus$ be such that $x \overset{\circ}{<} y$ (resp. $x \overset{\circ}{>} y$). There is a G -apartment $g.\mathbb{A}_\oplus$ containing $\{x, y\}$, so $g^{-1}y - g^{-1}x$ is in \mathcal{T}° (resp. $-\mathcal{T}^\circ$). We define the vectorial distance $\lambda = d^v(x, y)$ as the unique element in $\overline{C}_f^v \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ$ (resp. $-\overline{C}_f^v \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ$) conjugated by W^v to $g^{-1}y - g^{-1}x$. It does not depend on the choices made (see e.g. [8, § 1.6]).

The line segment $[x, y]$ in \mathcal{S}_\oplus is said C_∞ -friendly if, moreover, $\forall z \in [x, y]$, (C_∞, z) is twin friendly. By Proposition 4.6 we may ask that A_\oplus contains $[z, x]$ or $[z, y]$. We actually parametrize $[x, y]$ by $[0, 1] : \varphi : [0, 1] \rightarrow [x, y]$ is an affine bijection. We define $\varepsilon(\varphi) = +1$ if $x \overset{\circ}{<} y$ and $\varepsilon(\varphi) = -1$ if $x \overset{\circ}{>} y$.

In the following we suppose $[x, y]$ C_∞ -friendly.

5.2.2. By the usual argument using the compactness of $[x, y]$ and Proposition 4.6, we get points $z_0 = x, z_1, \dots, z_n = y$ in this order in $[x, y]$ and twin apartments $(A_i^\ominus, A_i^\oplus)$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, with $C_\infty \subset A_i^\ominus$ and $[z_{i-1}, z_i] \subset A_i^\oplus$. We set $z_i = \varphi(t_i), t_0 = 0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$. By Theorem 4.12 or § 4.4.2, we know that ρ_{C_∞} is defined on $[x, y]$, and also on all local chambers C_z with vertex $z \in [x, y]$ by Proposition 4.6. The above result tells that $\rho_{C_\infty}([x, y])$ (or better $\pi = \rho_{C_\infty} \circ \varphi$) is a piecewise linear continuous path in \mathbb{A}_\oplus . It is actually a λ -**path**, as defined in [8, 1.7], [15, 1.8] or [14, 5.1], i.e. it is a piecewise linear continuous path $\pi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ such that, $\forall t \in [0, 1], \pi'_\pm(t) \in W^\vee \cdot \lambda$ (which is in $\pm\mathcal{T}^\circ$). We shall investigate its properties more closely and then call it an I_∞ -Hecke path (to follow [29]) or a C_∞ -Hecke path or (more precisely) a Hecke path of shape λ in \mathbb{A}_\oplus with respect to C_∞ (in \mathbb{A}_\ominus).

5.2.3. We suppose now moreover that C_x^∞ is a local chamber, more precisely that, in the apartment A_1^\oplus , one has $x \overset{\circ}{>} 0_1$ (resp. $x \leq 0_1$), where 0_1 means the opposite in A_1^\oplus of $0_\ominus \in A_1^\ominus$. By Theorem 4.12 this condition does not depend on A_1 or $[x, y]$ but only on (C_∞, x) . In particular the sign of C_x^∞ is positive (resp. negative). We may decorate $[x, y]$ by the use of C_x^∞ :

For $z \in [x, y[$ we set $C_{z,\varphi}^+ = pr_{[z,y]}(C_x^\infty)$ and for $z \in]x, y]$ we set $C_{z,\varphi}^- = pr_{[z,x]}(C_x^\infty)$, i.e. $C_{z,\varphi}^+$ (resp. $C_{z,\varphi}^-$) is the local chamber containing $[z, y]$ (resp. $[z, x]$) in its closure that is the closest to C_x^∞ , for details see [8, § 2.1 and Definition 2.4] where $C_{z,\varphi}^-$ is written C''_z .

One has to be careful that, contrary to l.c., we may have $x \overset{\circ}{>} y$ (i.e. $\varepsilon(\varphi) = -1$) and then $C_{z,\varphi}^+$ (resp. $C_{z,\varphi}^-$) has a negative (resp. positive) direction. When $z = \varphi(t)$ we write also $C_{z,\varphi}^\pm = C_{t,\varphi}^\pm$. We write $\underline{\varphi}$ or $[x, y]$ this decorated line segment.

We recall the notations for some segment germs: $\varphi_+(t) = \varphi_+(z) = \varphi([t, 1]) = [z, y]$, $\pi_+(t) = \pi_+(p) = \pi([t, t + \eta])$ (resp. $\varphi_-(t) = \varphi_-(z) = \varphi([t, 0]) = [z, x]$, $\pi_-(t) = \pi_-(p) = \pi([t, t - \eta])$) if $t < 1$ (resp. $0 < t$) and $z = \varphi(t), p = \pi(t), \eta > 0$ small; also the right (resp. left) derivatives $\pi'_+(t)$ (resp. $\pi'_-(t)$).

We may also define $C_{p,\pi}^\pm = C_{t,\pi}^\pm := \rho_{C_\infty}(C_{z,\varphi}^\pm)$ when $p = \pi(t) = \rho_{C_\infty}(z) = \rho_{C_\infty}(\varphi(t))$. We get thus a decoration of π :

Definition 5.2 ([8, Definition 2.6]). A *decorated* λ -path is a triple $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0})$ such that: π is a λ -path, $C_{t,\pi}^+$ (resp. $C_{t,\pi}^-$) is a local chamber with the same (resp. opposite) sign as λ , with vertex $\pi(t)$, containing $\pi_+(t)$ (resp. $\pi_-(t)$) in its closure. Moreover, for some subdivision $t'_0 = 0 < t'_1 < \dots < t'_n = 1$ of $[0, 1]$ such that $\pi|_{[t'_{i-1}, t'_i]}$ is a line segment and for any $t'_{i-1} \leq t, t' \leq t'_i$, we ask that $C_{t,\pi}^+ = pr_{\pi_+(t)}(C_{t',\pi}^\pm)$ (resp. $C_{t,\pi}^- = pr_{\pi_-(t)}(C_{t',\pi}^\pm)$) (here we exclude $C_{t'_{i-1},\pi}$ and $C_{t'_i,\pi}$ of these equalities).

We get easily these properties in our context, as the apartment A_i^\oplus above contains $C_{z_{i-1},\varphi}^+$ and $C_{z_i,\varphi}^-$ (hence all $C_{z,\varphi}^\pm$ for $z \in]z_{i-1}, z_i[$). So, for $p_i = \pi(t_i)$, the restriction $\pi|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]}$ is a line segment from p_{i-1} to p_i and $\rho_{C_\infty}([x, y]) = [p_0, p_1] \cup [p_1, p_2] \cup \dots \cup [p_{n-1}, p_n]$.

5.3. Retractions of C_∞ -friendly line segments.

5.3.1. We suppose $[x, y] \subset \mathcal{J}_\oplus$, C_∞ -friendly and parametrized by φ as in § 5.2.1. We suppose moreover $[x, y] \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. We may then decorate $[x, y]$ (i.e. φ) by the use of C_x^∞ , if $x \leq 0$ or $x \overset{\circ}{>} 0$ (actually we assume often $x = 0$), cf. § 5.2.3. We get also a decoration on the λ -path $\rho_{C_\infty}([x, y])$ (i.e. on $\pi = \rho_{C_\infty} \circ \varphi$); we keep the notations of § 5.2.

5.3.2. We suppose $0 \overset{\circ}{\leq} x \overset{\circ}{<} y$ hence $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(\varphi) = +1$ (resp. $0 \overset{\circ}{\geq} x \overset{\circ}{>} y$ hence $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(\varphi) = -1$); for this we may eventually exchange x and y if e.g. $0 \overset{\circ}{\leq} y \overset{\circ}{<} x$. From this we deduce (by induction on i) that, for any $z \in]z_{i-1}, z_i[$, one has $z \overset{\circ}{>} 0(A_i^\oplus)$ (resp. $z \overset{\circ}{<} 0(A_i^\oplus)$); in particular C_z^∞ is a well defined local chamber of sign ε .

We now consider $t \in]0, 1[$, $z = \varphi(t)$, $p = \pi(t) = \rho_{C_\infty}(z)$. We write (A_\ominus, A_\oplus) a twin apartment containing C_∞ and $C_{z,\varphi}^-$. By Lemma 5.1, the restriction of ρ_{C_∞} to $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ (whose image is $\mathcal{T}_p^\pm(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$) is the retraction $\rho_{C_z^\infty}$ (of $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(A_\oplus)$ with center C_z^∞) followed by the isomorphism ψ of $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(A_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_p^\pm(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ induced by ρ_{C_∞} (hence by an element of I_∞). Note that $\psi(C_z^\infty) = C_p^\infty$.

We saw that C_z^∞ and $C_{z,\varphi}^+$ have the same sign ε . So we may consider a minimal gallery $C^0 = C_z^\infty, C^1, \dots, C^m = C_{z,\varphi}^+$ of length $m = m_z = m_t$; we write $\mathbf{i}_z = \mathbf{i}_t$ its type. We suppose that C^0, C^1, \dots, C^{m_t} is a minimal gallery from C_z^∞ to $\varphi_+(z)$. Now $(C_p^i = \rho_{C_\infty}(C^i))_{0 \leq i \leq m}$ is a minimal gallery in $\mathcal{T}_p^\pm(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ of type $\mathbf{i}_p := \mathbf{i}_t$ from $C_p^\infty = \rho_{C_\infty}(C_z^\infty)$ to $C_{p,\pi}^+ = \rho_{C_\infty}(C_{z,\varphi}^+)$. It is minimal as we retract with respect to C_p^∞ , which is the first chamber of the gallery, see Lemma 5.1.

5.3.3. So the λ -path π is decorated by the datum $((C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0})$, with $C_{0,\pi}^+ = pr_{\pi_+(0)}(C_{\pi(0)}^\infty)$. For any $t \in]0, 1[$, one has chosen the type \mathbf{i}_t of a minimal gallery of local chambers in $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ from C_p^∞ to $C_{p,\pi}^+$; its length is $m = m_p = m_t$. We supposed also that this minimal gallery begins by a minimal gallery (of length m'_t) from C_p^∞ to $\pi_+(t)$ and continues by a gallery of local chambers dominating $\pi_+(t)$.

For any $t \in]0, 1[$ we may consider a gallery $\mathbf{c}_p = \mathbf{c}_t$ of local chambers in $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ from $C_p^\infty = pr_p(C_\infty)$ to the projection $C_{p,\pi}^{(+)}$ of $C_{p,\pi}^-$ on the segment germ $\pi_{(+)}(t) = \pi(t) + \pi'_-(t).[0, 1)$ (opposite $\pi_-(t)$), that is of type \mathbf{i}_t and centrifugally folded with respect to $C_{p,\pi}^-$, see [8, § 2.2].

Such galleries may not exist in general. But we saw above that the decorated line segment $\underline{\varphi}$ or $\underline{[x, y]}$ gives rise to such galleries.

5.4. Superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ paths. Let π be a λ -path in \mathbb{A}_\oplus , with $\lambda \in \varepsilon(\overline{C}_f^v \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ)$ and $\pi(0) \overset{\circ}{\geq} 0$ if $\varepsilon = 1$, $\pi(0) \overset{\circ}{\leq} 0$ if $\varepsilon = -1$. Clearly we have $\pi(]0, 1]) \subset \varepsilon\mathcal{T}^\circ$.

5.4.1. We consider the numbers $0 = t'_0 < t'_1 < \dots < t'_n = 1$ of § 5.2.2 and the points $p'_i = \pi(t'_i)$ where π may be folded. For $t'_i \leq t < t'_{i+1}$ (resp. $t'_i < t \leq t'_{i+1}$) the derivative $\pi'_+(t)$ (resp. $\pi'_-(t)$) is a constant. The derivative $\pi'_\pm(t) \in W^v \cdot \lambda$ is in $\varepsilon\mathcal{T}^\circ$.

5.4.2.

Lemma 5.3. *There is only a finite number of pairs (M, t) with a wall M containing a point $p = \pi(t)$ for $0 < t < 1$, such that $\pi_+(t)$ is not in M and C_p^∞ is not in the same side of M as $\pi_+(t)$.*

Proof. We may restrict to the $t \in [t'_i, t'_{i+1}[$, more precisely to the t in a small open set Ω in $[t'_i, t'_{i+1}[$. We write $M = M_{\oplus}(\alpha + k\xi)$ with $\alpha + k\xi \in \Phi_{\alpha^+}$ (so $k \geq 0$). The conditions are thus $(\alpha + k\xi)(\pi(t)) = 0$ (hence $\alpha(\pi(t)) \leq 0$), $\alpha(\pi'_+(t)) \neq 0$ and more precisely $\alpha(\pi'_+(t)) > 0$ (as $C_t^\infty \subset D(-\alpha - k\xi)$). Suppose $\varepsilon = +1$, then $\pi(\Omega)$ (resp. $\pi'_+(t)$, which is independent of $t \in [t'_i, t'_{i+1}[$) is in the open Tits cone \mathcal{T}° (as $t > 0$), so $\alpha(\pi(t)) \leq 0$ (for some $t \in \Omega$) (resp. $\alpha(\pi'_+(t)) > 0$) is possible only for a finite number of positive (resp. negative) roots α . Hence there is a finite number of possible α (by [24, Proposition 3.12(c)], and, then, the condition $(\alpha + k\xi)(\pi(t)) = 0$ is possible for only a finite number of $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Moreover $t \in \Omega$ is uniquely determined by $\alpha + k\xi$ as $\alpha(\pi'_+(t)) \neq 0$. We get now the expected finiteness by using the compactness of $[t'_i, t'_{i+1}[$.

In the case $\varepsilon = -1$, one argues similarly, just exchanging positive and negative roots. \square

5.4.3. Suppose now that π is the underlying path of a decorated λ -path

$$\underline{\pi} = \left(\pi, \left(C_{t,\pi}^+ \right)_{t < 1}, \left(C_{t,\pi}^- \right)_{t > 0} \right) \text{ with } \lambda \in \varepsilon \left(\overline{C}_f^v \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ \right) \text{ and } \pi(0) \stackrel{\circ}{\geq} 0$$

if $\varepsilon = 1$ (resp. $\pi(0) \stackrel{\circ}{\leq} 0$ if $\varepsilon = -1$). Moreover, for any $t \in]0, 1[$, one supposes the existence of a gallery \mathbf{c}_t satisfying the conditions of § 5.3.3.

The fact that $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0})$ is a decorated λ -path tells that there are numbers $0 = t'_0 < t'_1 < \dots < t'_r = 1$ such that, for any $1 \leq i \leq r$, $\{\pi(t) \mid t'_{i-1} \leq t \leq t'_i\}$ is a segment $[\underline{\pi}(t'_{i-1}), \underline{\pi}(t'_i)]$ and

$$[\underline{\pi}(t'_{i-1}), \underline{\pi}(t'_i)] = \left([\pi(t'_{i-1}), \pi(t'_i)], \left(C_{t,\pi}^+ \right)_{t'_{i-1} \leq t < t'_i}, \left(C_{t,\pi}^- \right)_{t'_{i-1} < t \leq t'_i} \right)$$

is a decorated segment (defined in [8, Def. 2.6]).

In particular the direction $C_{t,\pi}^{+v}$ of $C_{t,\pi}^+$ for $t'_{i-1} \leq t < t'_i$ (resp. $C_{t,\pi}^{-v}$ of $C_{t,\pi}^-$ for $t'_{i-1} < t \leq t'_i$) is constant of sign ε (resp. $-\varepsilon$), the same (resp. opposite) as the sign of the direction $C_{\pi(t)}^{\infty v}$ of $C_{\pi(t)}^\infty$ (if $t \neq 0$). We write $w_{i-1}^+ = d^w(C_{\pi(t_{i-1})}^{\infty v}, C_{t_{i-1},\pi}^{+v})$ if $i \geq 2$ (resp. $w_i^- = d^{*w}(C_{\pi(t_i)}^{\infty v}, C_{t_i,\pi}^{-v}) = d^w(C_{\pi(t_i)}^{\infty v}, -C_{t_i,\pi}^{-v})$ the corresponding Weyl distance (resp. codistance), [1, 5.133]. We then clearly have $\pi'_+(t_i) = w_i^+ \cdot \lambda$ (resp. $\pi'_-(t) = w_i^- \cdot \lambda$) if one considers $C_{\pi(t)}^{\infty v}$ as a new fundamental vectorial chamber (for $t \neq 0$).

5.4.4.

Lemma 5.4. *One writes $p_0 = \pi(t_0), p_1 = \pi(t_1), \dots, p_{\ell_\pi} = \pi(t_{\ell_\pi})$ with $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{\ell_\pi-1} < t_{\ell_\pi} = 1$ the points $p = \pi(t)$ satisfying (for some wall M) the conditions of Lemma 5.3 in § 5.4 above (or $t = 0, t = 1$). Then any point t where the path π is folded at $\pi(t)$ appears in the set $\{t_k \mid 1 \leq k \leq \ell_\pi - 1\}$.*

Proof. If π is folded at $p = \pi(t)$ (for $t \in]0, 1[$), one has $\pi'_+(t) \neq \pi'_-(t)$, i.e. $\pi_{(+)}(t) \neq \pi_+(t)$. And, as $\pi_{(+)}(t)$ (resp. $\pi_+(t)$) is the segment germ in $\overline{C_{p,\pi}^{(+)}}$ (resp. $\overline{C_{p,\pi}^+}$) with the same type as λ , one has $C_{p,\pi}^{(+)} \neq C_{p,\pi}^+$. So the gallery \mathbf{c}_p from C_p^∞ to $C_{p,\pi}^{(+)}$ is folded. This is possible only if there is at least one wall M separating C_p^∞ from $C_{p,\pi}^+$; as $\pi_{(+)}(t) \neq \pi_+(t)$ we may also assume $\pi_+(t) \notin M$. So $t \in \{t_k \mid 1 \leq k \leq \ell_\pi - 1\}$. \square

5.4.5.

Definition 5.5. A superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path is a quadruple $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0}, (\mathbf{c}_t)_{0 < t < 1})$ where $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0})$ is a decorated λ -path and each \mathbf{c}_t is a gallery of type \mathbf{i}_t satisfying the conditions of § 5.3.3. We ask moreover that the local chamber $C_{0,\pi}^+$ is the projection $pr_{\pi_+(0)}(C_{\pi(0)}^\infty) = pr_{\pi_+(0)}(C_\infty)$.

5.4.6. It is interesting to describe the properties of the underlying λ -path of a superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path. We shall do this in § 5.9 to § 5.11, after some auxiliary results about twin buildings in § 5.7 to § 5.8. This underlying λ -path is a C_∞ -Hecke path, as in [29, 5.3.1] (and similar to [14, Definition 5.2]).

A λ -path $\pi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ (with $\lambda \in \varepsilon(\overline{C}_f^v \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ)$) has only a finite number (possibly 0, if it is not a C_∞ -Hecke path) of compatible superdecorations $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0}, (\mathbf{c}_t)_{0 < t < 1})$. Actually, by § 5.5 and Theorem 5.9 below, such a superdecoration is the image by ρ_{C_∞} of a C_∞ -friendly line segment (as explained in § 5.3.3) and these line segments depend only of the data $(C_{p_k,\pi}^+)_{0 \leq k \leq \ell_\pi - 1}, (C_{p_k,\pi}^-)_{1 \leq k \leq \ell_\pi - 1}$ and $(\mathbf{c}_{t_k})_{1 \leq k \leq \ell_\pi - 1}$. Now, as λ is spherical, the number of possible local chambers $C_{p_k,\pi}^\pm \subset \mathbb{A}$ containing $\pi_\pm(t_k)$ in their closure is finite. The type \mathbf{i}_{t_k} is the type of a specific minimal gallery in $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ between the chambers C_p^∞ and $C_{p,\pi}^+$ (which are well defined by the decoration and C_∞); so there is only a finite number of possible such types (moreover we shall fix one of them). Therefore the number of galleries \mathbf{c}_{t_k} in \mathbb{A} of type \mathbf{i}_{t_k} from $C_{p_k}^\infty$ to $C_{p_k,\pi}^{(+)}$ is also finite.

5.5. Liftings of superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ paths.

5.5.1. One considers a superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0}, (\mathbf{c}_t)_{0 < t < 1})$ of shape $\lambda \in \varepsilon(\overline{C}_f^v)$, as above in Definition 5.5 in § 5.4. One considers also a point x that is C_∞ -friendly (i.e. there is a twin apartment (A_\ominus, A_\oplus) with $x \in A_\oplus$ and $C_\infty \subset A_\ominus$) and such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(x) = p_0 = \pi(0)$. By Theorem 4.12, we have moreover

$$x \overset{\circ}{\geq} 0(A_\oplus) \text{ if } \varepsilon = +1 \text{ and } x \overset{\circ}{\leq} 0(A_\oplus) \text{ if } \varepsilon = -1.$$

We aim to prove that there is a C_∞ -friendly line segment $[x, y]$ with $d^v(x, y) = \lambda \in \varepsilon(\overline{C}_f^v)$ such that $\underline{\pi}$ is the “image” of $[x, y]$ by ρ_{C_∞} (as constructed in § 5.3). We want also a formula for the number of these $[x, y]$.

The idea is to build $[x, y]$ progressively, starting from x . So we look locally.

5.5.2. We look first for the segment germs $[x, x_+)$ of sign ε such that $\rho_{C_\infty}([x, x_+)) = \pi_+(0) = p_0 + \pi_+'(0) \cdot [0, 1)$, more precisely to local chambers C_x^+ of sign ε such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(C_x^+) = C_{p_0,\pi}^+$ (then $[x, x_+)$ is the segment in \overline{C}_x^+ with the same type as λ ; so $\rho_{C_\infty}([x, x_+)) = \pi_+(0)$ and $C_x^+ = pr_{[x, x_+)}(C_x^\infty)$).

Proposition 5.6. *There is a local chamber C_x^+ of sign ε such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(C_x^+) = C_{p_0,\pi}^+$. In case $\varepsilon = +1$, we suppose now moreover $p_0 \overset{\circ}{>} 0$ (i.e. $p_0 \neq 0$), then the number of these C_x^+ (or of the corresponding segment germ $[x, x_+)$) is finite (if $q = |\mathbb{k}|$ is finite) and equal to q^{m_0} if p_0 or x is a special vertex, where m_0 is the length of w_0^+ (cf. § 5.4.3) i.e. the length of a minimal gallery \mathbf{d} in $\mathcal{T}_{p_0}^\varepsilon(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ from $C_{p_0}^\infty$ to $C_{p_0,\pi}^+$. If p_0 is not special, one has to replace m_0 by the number m_0'' of walls separating $C_{p_0}^\infty$ from $C_{p_0,\pi}^+$.*

Remark 5.7. When $p_0 = 0$, then C_0^∞ is negative and $C_{0,\pi}^+$ of sign ε , so there is a problem if $\varepsilon = +1$. (Fortunately, for Muthiah’s purpose one has $p_0 = 0$ but $\varepsilon = -1$, as ϖ^λ acts by the translation of vector $-\lambda$.) In this problematic case the condition for C_x^+ involves codistances: it is $d^{*w}(C_x^\infty, C_x^+) = w_0^+ := d^{*w}(C_0^\infty, C_{0,\pi}^+)$. By the retraction ρ_{C_∞} , it is clearly equivalent to $d^{*w}(C_0^\infty, \rho_{C_\infty}(C_x^+)) = w_0^+$, i.e. to $\rho_{C_\infty}(C_x^+) = C_{p_0,\pi}^+$. There are infinitely many solutions for this condition.

Proof. We avoid the problematic case $\varepsilon = +1, p_0 = 0$. Then the equality $\rho_{C_\infty}(C_x^+) = C_{p_0,\pi}^+$ is equivalent to $d^w(C_x^\infty, C_x^+) = w_0^+ := d^w(C_0^\infty, C_{0,\pi}^+)$. This is clear as we saw (in § 5.3.2) that ρ_{C_∞} restricted to $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ is equal to a retraction $\rho_{C_x^\infty}$ (of $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(A_\oplus)$ with center C_x^∞) followed by an isomorphism ψ of $\mathcal{T}_x^\pm(A_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_{p_0}^\pm(A_\oplus)$ (which sends C_x^∞ to $C_{p_0}^\infty$).

Now $d^w(C_x^\infty, C_x^+) = w_0^+$ is equivalent to the existence of a minimal gallery of type **i** (the type of a fixed minimal decomposition of w_0^+), hence of length $m_0 = \ell(w_0^+)$, in \mathcal{J}_\oplus from C_x^∞ to C_x^+ . There are q^{m_0} (or more generally $q^{m_0''}$) such galleries. □

5.5.3. For $0 < t < 1$, we suppose now given a $z = \varphi(t)$, a local chamber $C_{z,\varphi}^-$ hence a segment germ $\varphi_-(t) \subset \overline{C_{z,\varphi}^-}$ (of the same type as $-\lambda$) such that the pair (C_∞, z) (hence also $(C_\infty, C_{z,\varphi}^-)$ or $(C_\infty, \varphi_-(t))$) is twin friendly and $\rho_{C_\infty}(z) = \pi(t) = p$, $\rho_{C_\infty}(C_{z,\varphi}^-) = C_{p,\pi}^-$, $\rho_{C_\infty}(\varphi_-(t)) = \pi_-(t)$. We write (A_\ominus, A_\oplus) a twin apartment with $C_\infty \subset A_\ominus$ and $C_{z,\varphi}^- \subset A_\oplus$. We now look for a segment germ $[z, z_+)$ of sign ε opposite $\varphi_-(t)$, such that $\rho_{C_\infty}([z, z_+)) = \pi_+(t) = p + \pi'_+(t) \cdot [0, 1)$; more precisely we look for a local chamber C_z^+ of sign ε opposite $\varphi_-(t)$, such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(C_z^+) = C_{p,\pi}^+$ and $C_z^+ = pr_{[z, z_+)}(C_{z,\varphi}^-)$.

Proposition 5.8.

- (a) *There is a local chamber C_z^+ of sign ε in $\mathcal{T}_z^\varepsilon(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(C_z^+) = C_{p,\pi}^+$ and that the segment germ $[z, z_+)$ in C_z^+ of the same type as λ is opposite $\varphi_-(t)$.
Actually we add the condition that the minimal gallery of type **i**_t from C_z^∞ to C_z^+ retracts onto \mathbf{c}_p by the retraction $\rho_{C_{z,\varphi}^-}$ (of $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(A_\oplus)$ with center $C_{z,\varphi}^-$) followed by the isomorphism ψ of $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(A_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_p^\pm(A_\oplus)$ induced by ρ_{C_∞} . This implies $C_z^+ = pr_{[z, z_+)}(C_{z,\varphi}^-)$.*
- (b) *Suppose $q = |\mathbb{k}|$ finite. Then the number of these local chambers is finite (non zero) and equal to the cardinality of the set $\mathcal{C}_{C_{p,\pi}^-}^m(C_p^\infty, \mathbf{c}_p)$ of all minimal galleries in $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ starting from C_p^∞ and retracting onto \mathbf{c}_p by the retraction of $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(A_\oplus)$ with center $C_{p,\pi}^-$. (Compare with [8, § 3.3(b)]).*
- (c) *If π is not folded at $p = \pi(t)$, then $\pi_{(+)}(t) = \pi_+(t)$. The number of expected local chambers C_z^+ (or of expected segment germs $[z, z_+)$) is then $q^{m_t''}$, where m_t'' is the number of walls that separate C_p^∞ from $C_{p,\pi}^+$ and do not contain $\pi_+(t)$ (or equivalently $\pi_-(t)$). If $q = |\mathbb{k}|$ may be infinite, we have at least that $[z, z_+)$ and C_z^+ are unique when $m_t'' = 0$.*

There is a twin apartment (A'_\ominus, A'_\oplus) with $A'_\ominus \supset C_\infty$ and $A'_\oplus \supset \overline{C_z^+} \cup C_{z,\varphi}^- \supset [z, z_+)$.

- (d) *In particular, if t is not one of the t_i in Lemma 5.4, then $m_t'' = 0$ and C_z^+ is unique; more precisely this unique C_z^+ is in A_\oplus , which already contains $C_{z,\varphi}^-$ (and $C_\infty \subset A_\ominus$). In particular $C_{p,\pi}^+ = C_{p,\pi}^{(+)}$. All this is true for any cardinality of \mathbb{k} .*

N.B. From (d) above, one deduces that a superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path π satisfies the condition of definition of decorated λ -paths in § 5.2.3 above with the subdivision $t_0 = 0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{\ell_\pi} = 1$ of Lemma 5.4. Moreover, for t different from each t_i , the gallery $\mathbf{c}_{\pi(t)}$ is minimal, uniquely determined by its type \mathbf{i}_t .

Proof. (a) + (b) We write $g \in I_\infty$ an element (of G_{twin} fixing C_∞) sending A_\oplus to \mathbb{A}_\oplus and z to p ; it exists by paragraph 4.4.2. By § 5.2.3 the restriction of ρ_{C_∞} to $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ is g restricted to $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ (sending isomorphically $\mathcal{T}_z^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_p^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$) followed by the retraction $\rho_{C_p^\infty}$ (of $\mathcal{T}_p^\pm(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ onto $\mathcal{T}_p^\pm(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ with center C_p^∞). The expected C_z^+ and $[z, z_+)$ correspond thus bijectively (by g) to pairs $(C_p^+, [p, p_+))$ where C_p^+ is a local chamber in $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ such that $\rho_{C_p^\infty}(C_p^+) = C_{p,\pi}^+$ and that $[p, p_+)$ is the segment germ in $\overline{C_p^+}$ of the same type as λ and is opposite $\pi_-(t)$.

But $\mathbf{c}_p = \mathbf{c}_t$ is a gallery in $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathbb{A}_\oplus)$ starting from C_p^∞ , of type \mathbf{i}_t , the type of a minimal gallery from C_p^∞ to $C_{p,\pi}^+$. Hence any minimal gallery in $\mathcal{T}_p^\varepsilon(\mathcal{J}_\oplus)$ starting from C_p^∞ of type \mathbf{i}_t ends with a chamber C_p^+ such that $\rho_{C_p^\infty}(C_p^+) = C_{p,\pi}^+$. Moreover \mathbf{c}_p is centrifugally folded with respect to $C_{p,\pi}^-$ and ends with the chamber $C_{p,\pi}^{(+)}$ projection of $C_{p,\pi}^-$ onto the segment germ $\pi_{(+)}(t) = \pi(t) + \pi'_-(t).[0, 1)$ (of type λ) opposite $\pi_-(t)$ (of type $-\lambda$ in $\overline{C_{p,\pi}^-}$). The set $\mathcal{C}_{C_{p,\pi}^\infty}^m(C_p^\infty, \mathbf{c}_p)$ is thus exactly the set of all galleries retracting by $\rho_{C_p^\infty}$ onto the minimal gallery of type \mathbf{i}_t from C_p^∞ to $C_{p,\pi}^+$ and retracting by $\rho_{C_{p,\pi}^-}$ onto \mathbf{c}_p . In particular the last chamber C_p^+ of such a gallery satisfies $\rho_{C_p^\infty}(C_p^+) = C_{p,\pi}^+$ and the segment germ $[p, p_+)$ in $\overline{C_p^+}$ of the same type as λ retracts by $\rho_{C_{p,\pi}^-}$ onto the segment germ $\pi_{(+)}(t)$. So a) and b) are proved, as a consequence of [8, § 2.3] (*mutatis mutandis*), which tells that $\mathcal{C}_{C_{p,\pi}^\infty}^m(C_p^\infty, \mathbf{c}_p)$ is non empty and finite (if $q = |\mathbb{k}| < \infty$) and gives a formula for its cardinality.

(c) If π is not folded at $p = \pi(t)$, then $\pi_{(+)}(t) = \pi_+(t)$ and \mathbf{c}_t is a gallery of type \mathbf{i}_t and length m_p . By the convention for \mathbf{i}_t (cf. § 5.2.3) the gallery \mathbf{c}_t shortened by removing the chambers of numbering $> m'_t$ is minimal from C_p^∞ to $\pi_+(t)$ and the chambers of numbering $\geq m'_t$ contain $\pi_+(t)$ in their closure. So the number of possible choices for $[z, z_+)$ is the number of possible liftings of the gallery \mathbf{c}_t shortened (and then $C_z^+ = pr_{[z, z_+)}(C_{z,\varphi}^-)$ is well determined). One considers the hyperplanes M cutting this shortened gallery \mathbf{c}_t along a panel and their contribution to a factor of this number of liftings, see [8, § 2.3] (*mutatis mutandis*). If M is not a wall, its contribution is 1. The walls cutting this shortened gallery \mathbf{c}_t i.e. between the chambers C^0 and $C^{m'_t}$ are exactly the walls that separate C_p^∞ from $C_{p,\pi}^+$ and do not contain $\pi_+(t)$; the contribution of each of them is q . If $m''_t = 0$, each contribution is 1 and $[z, z_+)$ is unique.

To get the twin apartment A' , we just have to modify \mathbb{A} by elements of $U_{\alpha+k\xi}$ where $M = M_\oplus(\alpha + k\xi)$ cuts \mathbf{c}_t between the chambers C^0 and $C^{m'_t}$ and $D_\ominus(\alpha + k\xi) \supset C_\infty$, $D_\oplus(\alpha + k\xi) \supset C_{p,\pi}^-$ and then apply g^{-1} . The modified apartment A' contains $C_\infty, C_{z,\varphi}^-$ and $[z, z_+)$, hence also $\overline{C_z^+}$.

(d) In this case $t \notin \{t_1, \dots, t_{\ell_\pi}\}$, one has $m''_t = 0$ and $q^{m'_t} = 1$. By the above procedure we get A' just by applying g^{-1} to \mathbb{A} . So $A' = A = g^{-1}\mathbb{A}$. As $g \in I_\infty$ fixes C_∞ , we have $C_{p,\pi}^+ = \rho_{C_\infty}(C_z^+) = \rho_{C_\infty}(pr_{[z, z_+)}(C_z^-)) = pr_{\pi_+(t)}(C_p^-) = C_{p,\pi}^{(+)}$. □

Theorem 5.9. Let $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t,\pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t,\pi}^-)_{t > 0}, (\mathbf{c}_t)_{0 < t < 1})$ be a superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ -Hecke path in \mathbb{A}_\oplus of shape $\lambda \in \varepsilon(\overline{C_f^v} \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ)$ with $\pi(0) \overset{\circ}{\geq} 0$ if $\varepsilon = +1$ (resp. $\pi(0) \overset{\circ}{\leq} 0$

if $\varepsilon = -1$). We consider also a point $x \in \mathcal{S}_\oplus$ that is C_∞ -friendly (i.e. there is a twin apartment (A_\ominus, A_\oplus) with $C_\infty \subset A_\ominus$ and $x \in A_\oplus$) and such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(x) = \pi(0)$.

- (1) There is a C_∞ -friendly line segment $[x, y]$ with $d^v(x, y) = \lambda$, such that $\underline{\pi}$ is the “image” of $[x, y]$ by ρ_{C_∞} (as constructed in § 5.3).
- (2) Except in the case $\varepsilon = +1$ and $\pi(0) = 0$, the number of these line segments is finite (provided that $q = |\mathbb{k}| < \infty$) and given by the following formula (for the notations see § 5.5.2, Lemma 5.4 and Proposition 5.8(c))

$$\#\{[x, y]\} = q^{m''} \times \prod_{k=1}^{\ell_\pi - 1} \#\mathcal{C}_{C_{p_k, \pi}^-}^m(C_{p_k}^\infty, \mathbf{c}_{p_k}).$$

This number is equal to $q^n \cdot (q - 1)^{n'}$ for some $n, n' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ depending only on $\underline{\pi}$ (in \mathbb{A}), not of \mathbb{k} , see [8, § 2.3].

- (3) If π is the parametrization of such a $[x, y]$, we write $z_0 = x = \varphi(t_0 = 0)$, $z_1 = \varphi(t_1)$, \dots , $z_k = \varphi(t_k)$, \dots , $z_{\ell_\pi} = \varphi(t_{\ell_\pi} = 1) = y$. Then there exist twin apartments $(A_k^\ominus, A_k^\oplus)$ (for $1 \leq k \leq \ell_\pi$) such that $A_k^\ominus \supset C_\infty$ and $A_k^\oplus \supset [z_{k-1}, z_k]$ (i.e. A_k^\oplus contains $[\varphi(t_{k-1}), \varphi(t_k)]$ and all $C_{t, \varphi}^+$ (for $t_{k-1} \leq t < t_k$), $C_{t, \varphi}^-$ (for $t_{k-1} < t \leq t_k$)).

Proof. Suppose the line segment $[x = \varphi(0), z_k = \varphi(t_k)]$ constructed with the expected properties. This is clearly satisfied for $k = 0$. We now construct $[x, z_{k+1}]$.

If $k = 0$, we investigated the possibilities for $\varphi_+(0) = [z_0, z_1]$ in § 5.5.2. Their number is ≥ 1 and equal to $q^{m''}$ under the conditions of (2). Now the Proposition 5.8(d) tells that each possibility for $[z_0, z_1]$ corresponds to one and only one possibility for $[z_0, z_1]$ and there is a twin apartment $(A_1^\ominus, A_1^\oplus)$ such that $C_\infty \subset A_1^\ominus$ and $[x, z_1] \subset A_1^\oplus$; hence $C_x^\infty \subset A_1^\oplus$, $[x, z_1] \subset A_1^\oplus$.

If $k \geq 1$, we investigated the possibilities for $\varphi_+(t_k) = [z_k, z_{k+1}]$ in Proposition 5.8(a) & (b). Their number is ≥ 1 and equal to

$$\#\mathcal{C}_{C_{p_k, \pi}^-}^m(C_{p_k}^\infty, \mathbf{c}_{p_k}).$$

Now the Proposition 5.8(d) tells that each possibility for $[z_k, z_{k+1}]$ corresponds to one and only one possibility for $[z_k, z_{k+1}]$. If we choose a twin apartment $(A_{k+1}^\ominus, A_{k+1}^\oplus)$ such that $C_\infty \subset A_{k+1}^\ominus$ and $[z_k, z_{k+1}] \subset C_{z_k, \varphi}^+ \subset A_{k+1}^\oplus$, then A_{k+1}^\oplus contains $[z_k, z_{k+1}]$ and $[z_k, z_{k+1}]$. \square

Note that Theorem 5.9 is obtained with a slightly different method in [23, 4.5.2].

5.6. Folding measure of superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ paths. Let $\underline{\pi} = (\pi, (C_{t, \pi}^+)_{t < 1}, (C_{t, \pi}^-)_{t > 0}, (\mathbf{c}_t)_{0 < t < 1})$ be a superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path in \mathbb{A}_\oplus of shape $\lambda \in \varepsilon(\overline{C}_f^v)$, as above in § 5.4.3. We consider the numbers $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{\ell_\pi} = 1$ and the points $p_i = \pi(t_i)$ as in § 5.4.4. We recall (§ 5.3.2) that, for $p = \pi(t)$ with $t > 0$, $C_{p, \pi}^{(+)}$ is the projection of $C_{p, \pi}^-$ on the segment germ $\pi_{(+)}(t) = \pi(t) + \pi'_-(t) \cdot [0, 1]$; when $t_{i-1} < t < t_i$, $C_{p, \pi}^{(+)} = C_{p, \pi}^+$ (see [8, Lemma 2.5] and Proposition 5.5(d) above). In the following of this subsection we drop π in the notations $C_{p, \pi}^\pm = C_{t, \pi}^\pm$ and $C_{p, \pi}^{(+)} = C_{t, \pi}^{(+)}$.

The direction C_t^{+v} of C_t^+ for $t_{i-1} \leq t < t_i$ (resp. C_t^{-v} of C_t^- for $t_{i-1} < t \leq t_i$) is constant of sign ε (resp. $-\varepsilon$), the same (resp. opposite) as the sign of the direction $C_{\pi(t)}^{\infty v}$ of $C_{\pi(t)}^\infty$ (if $t \neq 0$); here we may replace the t_i by the t'_j of § 5.4.3. From [8, 2.9.2] it is also clear that, for $t_{i-1} < t \leq t_i$, the direction $C_t^{(+v)}$ of $C_t^{(+)}$ is constant of sign ε and equal to $C_{p_{i-1}}^{+v}$. For $i \geq 1$, we write $w_i^+ = d^w(C_{p_i}^{\infty v}, C_{p_i}^{+v})$ (if $i < \ell_\pi$) (resp. $w_i^- = d^w(C_{p_i}^{\infty v}, C_{p_i}^{(+v)}) = d^w(C_{p_i}^{\infty v}, C_{p_{i-1}}^{+v})$).

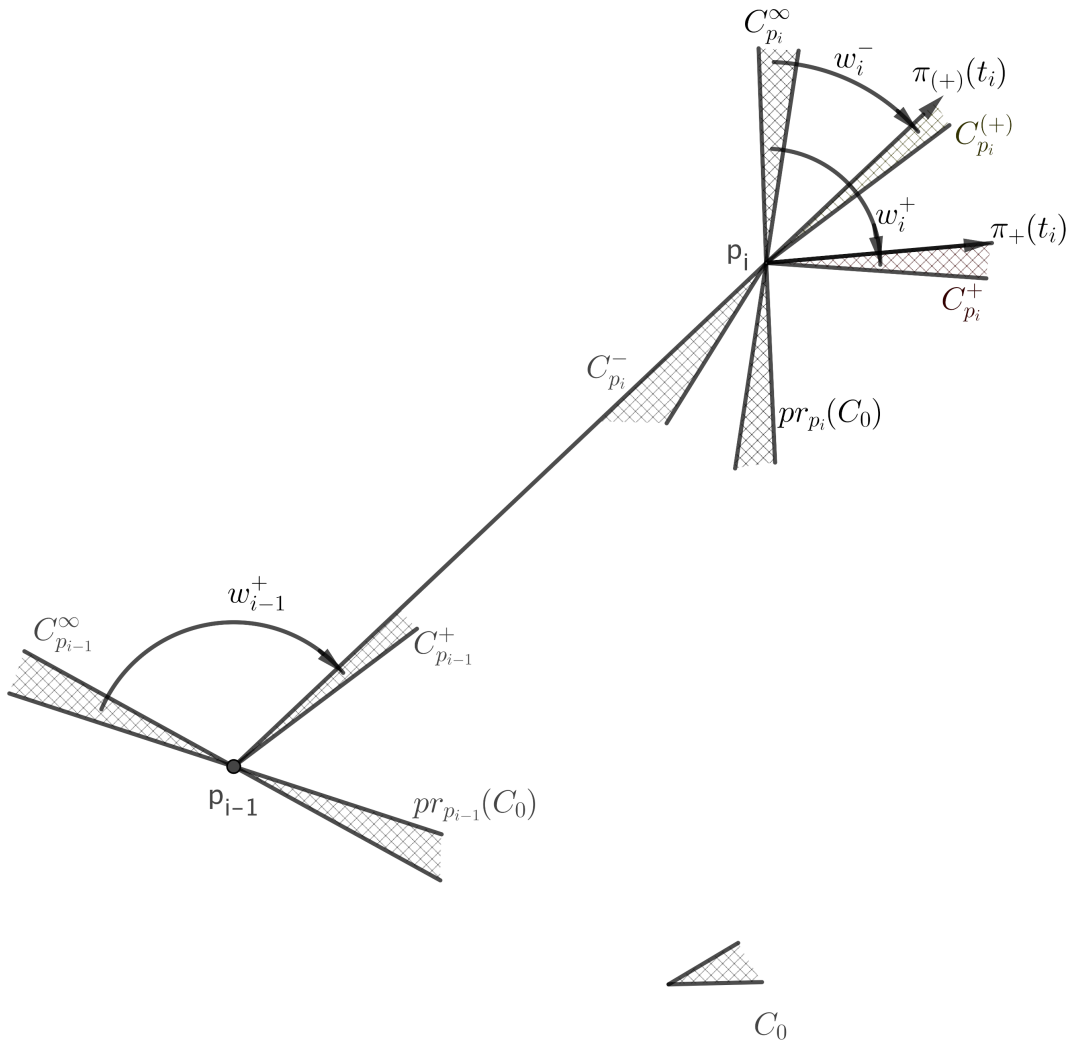


FIGURE 5.1.

Then we clearly have $\pi'_+(t_i) = w_i^+ \cdot \lambda$ (for $i < \ell_\pi$) (resp. $\pi'_-(t_i) = w_i^- \cdot \lambda$ (for $i > 0$)) if one considers $C_{p_i}^{\infty v}$ as a new fundamental vectorial chamber.

Proposition 5.10. *For the Bruhat order in W^v , one has $w_{i-1}^+ \geq w_i^-$ for $i \geq 2$ and $w_i^- \leq w_i^+$ for $1 \leq i < \ell_\pi$.*

Remark 5.11.

- (1) Unfortunately this gives no inequality between the w_i^+ (or the w_i^-). Perhaps one can get some inequalities with other definitions of w_i^\pm .
- (2) In the case of Hecke paths in a measure with respect to a sector germ one gets $w_{i-1}^+ = w_i^-$ and $w_i^- \leq w_i^+$. So one gets inequalities between the w_i^+ (or the w_i^-). This case of sector germs is in [15]. It should be possible to prove similarly the case of a Hecke path with respect to a local chamber, but it is written nowhere.

Proof. The second inequality is clear: \mathbf{c}_{t_i} is a gallery fom $C_{p_i}^{\infty}$ to $C_{p_i}^{(+)}$, with the same type as a minimal gallery from $C_{p_i}^{\infty}$ to $C_{p_i}^+$ (type associated to a minimal decomposition

of $w_i^+ = d^w(C_{p_i}^{\infty v}, C_{p_i}^{+v})$. For the first inequality recall that $pr_{p_i}(C_0)^v$ is the vectorial chamber containing the $\overrightarrow{p_i x}$ for $x \in C_0$ sufficiently near from 0. So $C_{p_i}^{\infty v} = opp(pr_{p_i}(C_0)^v)$ is the vectorial chamber containing the $\overrightarrow{x p_i}$ for these x . But we have $\overrightarrow{x p_i} = \overrightarrow{x p_{i-1}} + \overrightarrow{p_{i-1} p_i}$ and $\overrightarrow{x p_{i-1}} \in C_{p_{i-1}}^{\infty v}$, $\overrightarrow{p_{i-1} p_i} \in C_{p_{i-1}}^{+v}$. Hence $C_{p_i}^{\infty v}$ meets the closed convex hull of $C_{p_{i-1}}^{\infty v}$ and $C_{p_{i-1}}^{+v} = C_{p_i}^{(+v)}$. So $C_{p_i}^{\infty v}$ is in their enclosure, i.e. $C_{p_i}^{\infty v}$ is a vectorial chamber of a minimal gallery from $C_{p_{i-1}}^{\infty v}$ to $C_{p_{i-1}}^{+v} = C_{p_i}^{(+v)}$. This proves that

$$w_i^- = d^w(C_{p_i}^{\infty v}, C_{p_i}^{(+v)}) \leq d^w(C_{p_{i-1}}^{\infty v}, C_{p_{i-1}}^{+v}) = w_{i-1}^+ \quad \square$$

5.7. Opposite segment germs and retractions in masures or twin buildings.

From § 5.7 to § 5.8, we consider \mathcal{S} a twin building and \mathbb{A} its canonical [twin] apartment. We use the notation [twin] to indicate the reference to a classical notation in twin buildings, not to § 4.1.10. We think of \mathbb{A} as a vector space $V = \overrightarrow{\mathbb{A}}$, even if it is more precisely the union of two opposite Tits cones in V . These Tits cones are associated to a root system Φ , a Weyl group W^v and a fundamental chamber C_f^v ; but the thick walls of \mathcal{S} are associated to some particular roots called thick roots.

Actually we think very strongly to the case where \mathcal{S} is the tangent space (with its unrestricted building structure) at a point p to a thick measure, $\mathbb{A} \ni p$ is an apartment of this measure, Φ is in the dual of $V = \overrightarrow{\mathbb{A}}$ and the thick walls in \mathcal{S} are associated to the walls of this measure containing p (i.e. the direction $\ker \beta$ of this wall satisfies $\beta(p) \in \mathbb{Z} : \beta$ is a thick root).

In the following lines up to the proposition (included), we indicate between parentheses some words we may add when we think to a measure.

We consider:

- C_p^- a negative (local) chamber (with vertex p) in \mathbb{A} .
- ξ, η positive segment germs of origin 0 (or p) in \mathbb{A} .
- $-\xi, -\eta$ their negative opposites in \mathbb{A} .
- $C_{-\xi}$ a negative (local) chamber in \mathbb{A} (with vertex p) containing $-\xi$ in its closure.
- \mathbf{i} the type of a minimal gallery from C_p^- to $C_{-\xi}$.
- Ω a positive (local) chamber in \mathbb{A} (with vertex p) containing η in its closure.
- In the picture, everything not in dotted lines is in \mathbb{A} .
- One writes $\rho = \rho_{\mathbb{A}, C_p^-}$ (resp. $\rho_\Omega = \rho_{\mathbb{A}, \Omega}$) the retraction with center C_p^- (resp. Ω) and image \mathbb{A} ($= \mathcal{T}_p(\mathbb{A})$) defined on \mathcal{S} .
- One asks that ξ, η are generated by vectors in $W^v \cdot \lambda$ for λ a dominating vector in \mathbb{A} (i.e. $\lambda \in \overrightarrow{C_f^v}$).
- W_p^v is the subgroup of W^v generated by the r_β for β a thick root.

Proposition 5.12 (cf. [15, 4.6]).

- (1) *The following conditions are equivalent:*
 - (a) *There exists an opposite ζ to η in \mathcal{S} (with vertex p) such that $\rho(\zeta) = -\xi$.*
 - (b) *There exists a gallery \mathbf{c} of (local) chambers in \mathbb{A} (with vertex p), of type \mathbf{i} for some choice of $C_{-\xi}$, that is centrifugally folded with respect to Ω (in particular folded along thick walls) with first chamber C_p^- and last chamber containing $-\eta$ in its closure.*

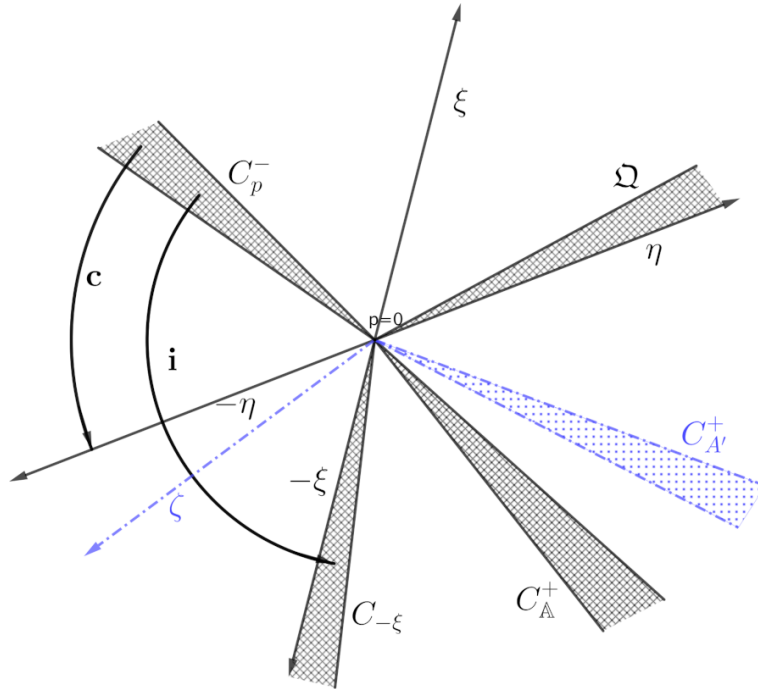


FIGURE 5.2.

- (c) $\eta \leq_{W_p^y} \xi$, i.e. there exist $\xi_0, \xi_s \in V \setminus \{0\}$ such that $\eta = [0, 1)\xi_s$, $\xi = [0, 1)\xi_0$ and a W_p^y -chain from ξ_0 to ξ_s , i.e. finite sequences $(\xi_0, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_s)$ of vectors in $V = \vec{\mathbb{A}}$ and $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)$ of (real) roots satisfying the following (for $1 \leq i \leq s$):
- (i) $r_{\beta_i}(\xi_{i-1}) = \xi_i$,
 - (ii) $\beta_i(\xi_{i-1}) < 0$,
 - (iii) $\ker \beta_i$ is a thick wall, i.e. β_i is a thick root (i.e. $\beta_i(p) \in \mathbb{Z}$ for a measure),
 - (iv) $\beta_i \in \Phi^+ = \Phi^+(-C_p^-)$, i.e. $\beta_i(C_p^-) < 0$.
- (2) If moreover \mathbf{i} is minimal (i.e. $C_{-\xi}$ is the (local) chamber “containing” $-\xi$ nearest to C_p^- , i.e. $C_{-\xi} = pr_{-\xi}(C_p^-)$), then the possible ζ are in one to one correspondence with the disjoint union of the $C_{\Omega}^m(\mathbf{c}) = \{ \text{minimal galleries } \mathbf{m} \text{ with origin } C_p^- \text{ and type } \mathbf{i} \text{ with image } \mathbf{c} \text{ by } \rho_{\mathbb{A}, \Omega} \}$, when \mathbf{c} runs in the set $\Gamma_{\Omega}^+(\mathbf{i}, -\eta)$ of galleries satisfying (b) above with this type \mathbf{i} (fixed).

Remark 5.13. With these choices of signs, Φ^+ is of positive type, i.e. the associated vectorial chamber $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+ = -C_p^-$ is in the positive Tits cone \mathcal{T} , but perhaps not equal to C_f^y .

Contrary to [15], we do not suppose in (1) above that \mathbf{i} is minimal. This gives more flexibility for applications.

We repeat below the main lines of the proofs in [15] and [14, 6.1, 6.3]. We give details of a proof of [14, 6.1] independent of the existence of a strongly transitive group.

Proof. (1a) \implies (1b). Let $\mathbf{m} = (C_p^- = M_0, M_1, \dots, M_r \ni \zeta)$ be a minimal gallery in \mathcal{S} from C_p^- to ζ . Its retraction by ρ is a minimal gallery from C_p^- to $-\xi$. Hence, under the additional hypothesis of (2), one may suppose \mathbf{m} of type \mathbf{i} and then ζ determines \mathbf{m} . If one retracts now \mathbf{m} into \mathbb{A} by ρ_{Ω} (with center Ω), one gets a gallery $\mathbf{c} = \rho_{\mathbb{A}, \Omega}(\mathbf{m})$

satisfying (1b) (and of type \mathbf{i} , under the hypothesis of (2)). This is a result of [15, 4.4] which is independent of the existence of a strongly transitive group. \square

(1b) \implies (1a). If $\mathbf{c} = (C_p^- = C_0, C_1, \dots, C_r)$ satisfies (b), there exists a minimal gallery $\mathbf{m} = (C_p^- = C'_0, C'_1, \dots, C'_r)$ retracting by $\rho_\Omega = \rho_{\mathbb{A}, \Omega}$ onto \mathbf{c} , with the same type \mathbf{i} (cf. [15, 4.4]). Let $\zeta \subset \overline{C'_r}$ retracting by ρ_Ω on $-\eta \subset \overline{C_r}$; as $\eta \subset \overline{\Omega}$, this implies in particular that ζ is opposite η . As \mathbf{c} and \mathbf{m} are of type \mathbf{i} , one has $\rho(C'_r) = C_{-\xi}$. Hence $\rho(\zeta)$ is in $\overline{C_{-\xi}}$ as $-\xi$. Thus $\rho(\zeta) = -\xi$, as they are both opposite η , up to a conjugation by W^V . \square

(2). Under the hypothesis of (2), the ζ are in one to one correspondence with the \mathbf{m} , which are exactly the galleries in $\coprod_{\mathbf{c}} \mathcal{C}_\Omega^{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{c})$ as announced. \square

(1a) \implies (1c). This generalizes [14, Proposition 6.1], just taking $\pi_+ = \eta, \pi_- = \zeta, \rho\pi_- = -\xi$.

One considers [twin] apartments A^0 containing $\eta \cup \zeta$, A^+ containing $C_p^- \cup \eta$ and A^- containing $C_p^- \cup \zeta$. One defines $\rho_- = \rho_{A^-, C_p^-}$ (recall that $\rho = \rho_{\mathbb{A}, C_p^-}$). But we shall first modify A^- by the following lemma.

Lemma 5.14. *Let $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{S}^+, \mathcal{S}^-)$ be a twin building, C^- a chamber in \mathcal{S}^- and $A = (A^+, A^-)$ a [twin] apartment. Then there exists a chamber C^+ in A^+ that is opposite C^- . We write then $B = (B^+, B^-)$ the unique [twin] apartment containing C^- and C^+ .*

If moreover D is a chamber in A^+ (resp. A^-), one may choose C^+ in such a way that $D \subset B^+$ (resp. $D \subset B^-$).

N.B. This lemma seems well known when \mathcal{S} is spherical, but we did not find a reference, see [37, 2.2.11]. It is likely that this twin case is also already known.

Proof. One assumes first $D \subset A^+$. We choose a [twin] apartment $A_1 = (A_1^+, A_1^-)$ containing C^- (in A_1^-) and D (in A_1^+), and we write $C'' = \text{opp}_{A_1}(C^-) \subset A_1^+$. As $D \subset A_1^+$, with A_1 generated by C^- and C'' , one has $d^{*w}(D, C^-) = d^w(D, C'')$ (see the Chasles relation (4) in [1, 5.173], as $d^{*w}(C^-, C'') = 1$).

Let $C^+ \subset A^+$ be the chamber such that $d^w(D, C^+) = d^{*w}(D, C^-)$; this means that there exists in A^+ a minimal gallery $(C_0 = D, \dots, C_s = C^+)$ of type $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_s)$, where $r_{i_1} \dots r_{i_s}$ is a minimal decomposition of $d^{*w}(D, C^-) = d^w(D, C'')$. Let us prove that C^+ and C^- are opposite. One calculates $d^{*w}(C_j, C^-)$ by induction on j : $d^{*w}(C_0, C^-) = d^w(D, C^+) = d^{*w}(D, C^-) = r_{i_1} \dots r_{i_s}$. One bets that $d^{*w}(C_j, C^-) = r_{i_{j+1}} \dots r_{i_s}$ (this will give $d^{*w}(C^+, C^-) = 1$, qed). But $d^w(C_{j+1}, C_j) = r_{i_{j+1}}$ and, by induction hypothesis, $\ell(r_{i_{j+1}} d^{*w}(C_j, C^-)) = \ell(r_{i_{j+2}} \dots r_{i_s}) = \ell(d^{*w}(C_j, C^-)) - 1$. So, by the axiom (Tw2) in [1, 5.133 p. 266], one gets $d^{*w}(C_{j+1}, C^-) = r_{i_{j+2}} \dots r_{i_s}$ which concludes the induction. One has now to prove that $D \subset B^+$. But $d^{*w}(D, C^-) = d^w(D, C^+)$; so this is a consequence of [1, 5.175 p. 278].

Let us now look at the case $D \subset A^-$. We choose a [twin] apartment $A_1 = (A_1^+, A_1^-)$ containing $C^- \cup D$ (in A_1^-) and write $C'' = \text{opp}_{A_1}(C^-) \subset A_1^+$. The Chasles relation gives $d^w(D, C^-) = d^{*w}(D, C'')$. Let $C^+ \subset A^+$ be such that $d^{*w}(D, C^+) = d^w(D, C^-)$. There is in A_1^- a minimal gallery $(C_0 = D, \dots, C_s = C^-)$ of type $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_s)$, where $r_{i_1} \dots r_{i_s}$ is a minimal decomposition of $d^{*w}(D, C^+) = d^{*w}(D, C'') = d^w(D, C^-)$. Let us prove that C^+ and C^- are opposite. For this one calculates $d^{*w}(C_j, C^+)$ by induction on j : $d^{*w}(C_0, C^+) = d^{*w}(D, C^+) = d^w(D, C^-) = d^{*w}(D, C'') = r_{i_1} \dots r_{i_s}$. One bets that

$d^{*w}(C_j, C^+) = r_{i_{j+1}} \dots r_{i_s}$ (this will give $d^{*w}(C^-, C^+) = 1$, qed). But $d^w(C_{j+1}, C_j) = r_{i_{j+1}}$ and, by induction hypothesis,

$$\ell(r_{i_{j+1}} d^{*w}(C_j, C^+)) = \ell(r_{i_{j+2}} \dots r_{i_s}) = \ell(d^{*w}(C_j, C^+)) - 1.$$

So, by the axiom (Tw2), one gets $d^{*w}(C_{j+1}, C^+) = r_{i_{j+2}} \dots r_{i_s}$ and the induction is OK. One has $d^{*w}(D, C^+) = d^w(D, C^-)$, hence $D \subset B^-$ by [1, 5.175]. \square

5.8. End of proof of Proposition 5.12. We no longer differentiate the two parts of a [twin] apartment by an exponent \pm .

(1a) \implies (1c). We write A_1^- the [twin] apartment B of Lemma 5.14 (obtained by setting $C^- := C_p^-, A := A^0$ and $\bar{D} \supset \zeta$). We shall replace A^- by A_1^- but not change A^0 . One has $A_1^- \supset C_p^- \cup \zeta \cup C^+$ and $C_{A_1^-}^+ := C^+ \subset A^0$ is opposite C_p^- in A_1^- . Recall that $\rho_- = \rho_{A^-, C_p^-}$ and $\rho = \rho_{A, C_p^-}$.

Remark 5.15. In [14, Proposition 6.1], C^+ is written C_0 and $C_p^- = \text{germ}(\mathfrak{s})$. Both A_1^- and A^- contain C_p^- and ζ , so they are isomorphic by an isomorphism $\theta^- : A_1^- \rightarrow A^-$ fixing C_p^- and ζ . If one supposes θ^- induced by an automorphism θ^- of the twin building (e.g. if there is a strongly transitive automorphism group, as in [14]), one may define $A^1 = \theta^-(A^0)$. This apartment contains ζ and a segment germ $\eta^1 = \theta^-(\eta)$ (opposite ζ) such that $\rho(\eta^1) = \rho(\eta)$ (as C_p^- is fixed by θ^-). So we are exactly in the situation of [14], second paragraph of the proof of 6.1 (η^1 is written π_+^1 there).

In this proof of 6.1, one takes a minimal gallery $m = (c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n)$ in A^1 from $c_0 = \theta^-(C^+) = C_{A^-}^+ = \text{opp}_{A^-}(C_p^-)$ to the opposite $\eta^1 = \theta^-(\eta)$ of ζ . And then one takes its retraction $\delta = \rho_-(m)$. We shall replace m by $m' = (\theta^-)^{-1}(m)$, which is a minimal gallery in A^0 from $C_{A_1^-}^+ = C^+ = \text{opp}_{A_1^-}(C_p^-) = (\theta^-)^{-1}(C_{A^-}^+)$ to $(\theta^-)^{-1}(\eta^1) = \eta$. So $\delta = \rho_-(m) = \rho_-(m')$ and this will avoid to suppose θ^- induced by an automorphism of \mathcal{S} .

Back to the proof of (1a) \implies (1c) (without assuming the existence of a strongly transitive group).

We assume $A^- = A_1^-$. As in [14] we consider ρ_- instead of ρ ; they are almost the same as $\rho_- = \theta \circ \rho$, if $\theta : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow A^-$ is the isomorphism fixing C_p^- .

By hypothesis, there are $w_\pm \in W^v$, such that $\xi = [0, 1]w_- \lambda$ and $\eta = [0, 1]w_+ \lambda$. We choose w_\pm minimal for this property. Here we consider $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+ = \text{opp}_{\mathbb{A}}(C_p^-)$ as the fundamental vectorial chamber of \mathbb{A} , to precise the action of W^v on \mathbb{A} and the relation $\lambda \in \mathbb{A}$ (i.e. $\lambda \in \overline{C_{\mathbb{A}}^+}$).

In A^0 one considers a minimal gallery $m' = (c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n)$ of type $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$ between $c_0 = C^+ = C_{A_1^-}^+ = C_{A^-}^+$ and $c_n \supset \eta$. The retracted gallery

$$\delta = \rho_-(m') = (c_0, c'_1 = \rho_-(c_1), \dots, c'_n = \rho_-(c_n))$$

in A^- is centrifugally folded with respect to C_p^- . It satisfies $c_0 = \rho_-(C_{A^-}^+) = C_{A^-}^+$ and $c'_n \supset \rho_-(\eta)$.

One has $\eta \in w_- C_{A^-}^+ = w_- C^+$ in A^0 , with w_- minimal (to be precise, W^v is considered here as a group of automorphisms of A^0 by considering C^+ as its fundamental vectorial chamber). Actually η is opposite ζ in $A^0 \supset C^+$; so, using the isomorphism $\theta^0 : A^0 \rightarrow A^-$ fixing ζ and C^+ , it is sufficient to prove that the opposite $\text{opp}_{A^-}(\zeta)$ of ζ in A^- is in

$w_-C^+ = w_-C_{A^-}^+$. But ρ induces the isomorphism $\theta^{-1} : A^- \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ (fixing C_p^-) which sends ζ onto $-\xi$ (by the hypothesis (1a)) hence $opp_{A^-}(\zeta)$ onto ξ and $C_{A^-}^+$ onto $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$. As $\xi \in w_-C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$ with w_- minimal, by the above definition of w_- , we are done.

From the definition of m' , one gets that $w_- = r_{i_1} \dots r_{i_n}$ is a reduced decomposition. Using once more the isomorphism $\theta^{-1} : A^- \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ (which sends $\rho_-(\eta)$ to $\rho(\eta) = \eta$ and $C_{A^-}^+$ to $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$), one gets $\rho_-(\eta) \in w_+C_{A^-}^+$ with w_+ minimal.

In A^0 , the chambers c_j and c_{j+1} are separated by a (thick or thin) wall H_j^1 and one writes H_j the (thick or thin) wall in A^- containing $\rho_-(H_j^1 \cap \bar{c}_j) = \rho_-(H_j^1 \cap \bar{c}_{j+1})$. We denote by j_1, \dots, j_s the indices such that $c'_j = \rho_-(c_j) = \rho_-(c_{j+1}) = c'_{j+1}$. Then, for all k , $H_{j_k}^1$ and H_{j_k} are thick walls (it is a part of the definition of a centrifugally folded gallery). One writes $\beta_k \in \Phi^+$ the positive root such that H_{j_k} has direction $\ker \beta_k$ (here Φ^+ is defined as in (1c)(iv) of but in A^- : $\beta \in \Phi^+ \iff \beta(C_p^-) < 0$).

Actually we get $\delta = \rho_-(m')$ from a minimal gallery $\delta^0 = (c_0^0 = c_0 = C_{A^-}^+, c_1^0, \dots, c_n^0) = \theta^0(m')$, of type **i** in A^- from c_0 to $c_n^0 = w_-c_0 \supset \theta^0(\eta)$, by applying successive foldings along the walls $H_{j_1}, H_{j_2}, \dots, H_{j_s}$. At each step one gets a gallery $\delta^k = (c_0^k = c_0 = C_{A^-}^+, c_1^k, \dots, c_n^k)$, of type **i** in A^- , centrifugally folded with respect to C_p^- , which ends more and more closely to c_0 .

One writes $\xi_0 = w_- \lambda \in c_n^0 = w_-c_0 \subset A^-$ and $\xi_k = r_{\beta_k} \dots r_{\beta_1} \cdot \xi_0 \in c_n^k \subset A^-$. In particular $\xi_s \in c_n^s = c'_n$ and $c'_n \supset \rho_-(\eta)$. As $\xi_s \in W^v \lambda$ and η is generated by a vector in $W^v \lambda$, one sees that ξ_s generates this segment germ $\rho_-(\eta) \subset A^-$. Similarly, we see that $\xi_0 = w_- \lambda$ generates $\theta^0(\eta) \subset A^-$.

Actually the isomorphism $\theta^{-1} \circ \theta^0 : A^0 \rightarrow A^- \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ sends $C^+ = C_{A^-}^+$ onto $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$ and η onto ξ (as we saw above that it sends ζ onto $-\xi$): $\rho(\theta^0(\eta)) = \xi$ in \mathbb{A} . The isomorphism $\theta^{-1} : A^- \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ sends $\theta^0(\eta)$ onto ξ and $\rho_-(\eta)$ onto η . So the condition (c) we aim to prove is equivalent to the conditions (i, ii, iii, iv) for (ξ_0, \dots, ξ_s) and $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)$ in A^- . Actually (i), (iii) (as H_{j_k} is a thick wall) and (iv) are clearly satisfied. Let us prove now (ii): $\beta_k(\xi_{k-1}) < 0$.

δ^0 is a minimal gallery from $c_0 = C_{A^-}^+$ to $w_-c_0 \supset [0, 1)w_- \lambda$. So, for any j , c_{j+1}^0, \dots, c_n^0 and $[0, 1)w_- \lambda$ are on the same side of the wall separating c_j^0 and c_{j+1}^0 ; in particular $(c_{j_k+1}^k, \dots, c_n^k)$ is a minimal gallery, entirely on the same side of H_{j_k} and $[0, 1)\xi_k \not\subset H_{j_k}$. But $c_{j_k}^k = \rho_-(c_{j_k}) = \rho_-(c_{j_k+1}) = c_{j_k+1}^k$ and, as we have centrifugal foldings (with respect to C_p^- , opposite $C_{A^-}^+ = c_0$ in A^-), this chamber is on the positive side of the wall H_{j_k} (with direction $\ker \beta_k$). So $c_{j_k+1}^k, \dots, c_n^k$ are in this positive side; this means that $\beta_k(\xi_k) > 0$, i.e. $\beta_k(\xi_{k-1}) < 0$. This proves that (1a) \implies (1c).

(1c) \implies (1a). This generalizes a part of [14, Theorem 6.3].

We have ξ (resp. η) generated by $\xi_0 = w_- \lambda$ (resp. $\xi_s = w_+ \lambda$) and $w_{\pm} \in W^v$ is chosen minimal for this property. We write $w_- = r_{i_1} \dots r_{i_n}$ a minimal decomposition (of type **i**, the type of a minimal gallery from C_p^- to $-\xi$, as in the hypothesis of (2)).

The segment germs ζ such that $\rho(\zeta) = -\xi$ are in bijection with the galleries of type **i** $m^- = (c_0^- = C_p^-, c_1^-, \dots, c_n^-)$ that are minimal (i.e. non stammering) starting from C_p^- . This bijection is given by the relation $\zeta \subset \bar{c}_n^-$. We have now to prove that we may choose m^- in such a way that ζ is opposite η . This is for this that the W_p^v -chain will be useful.

We write $\delta^0 = (c_0^0 = C_{\mathbb{A}}^+, c_1^0, \dots, c_n^0)$ the minimal gallery of type **i** in \mathbb{A} starting from $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$. It is thus stretched from $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$ to ξ (generated by $\xi_0 = w_- \lambda$). We shall first fold this gallery step after step, using the W_p^v -chain.

As $\beta_1(\xi_0) < 0$ (by (ii)) and $\beta_1(C_{\mathbb{A}}^+) > 0$ (by (iv)), the wall $\ker \beta_1$ (thick by (iii)) separates $c_0^0 = C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$ from c_n^0 : so it is the wall between two adjacent chambers $c_{j_1-1}^0$ and $c_{j_1}^0$ (actually here j_1 is well determined). One writes $\delta^1 = (c_0^1 = c_0^0 = C_{\mathbb{A}}^+, c_1^1 = c_1^0, \dots, c_{j_1-1}^1 = c_{j_1-1}^0, c_{j_1}^1 = c_{j_1-1}^1 = r_{\beta_1} c_{j_1}^0, \dots, c_n^1 = r_{\beta_1} c_n^0)$. It is a gallery of type **i** and $c_n^1 \supset r_{\beta_1}(\xi_0) = \xi_1$ (by (i)). But $\beta_2(\xi_1) < 0$ and $\beta_2(C_{\mathbb{A}}^+) > 0$, so the wall $\ker \beta_2$ separates $c_0^1 = C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$ from c_n^1 ; it is the wall between two strictly adjacent chambers $c_{j_2-1}^1$ and $c_{j_2}^1$. One writes $\delta^2 = (c_0^2 = c_0^1 = c_0^0 = C_{\mathbb{A}}^+, c_1^2 = c_1^1, \dots, c_{j_2-1}^2 = c_{j_2-1}^1, c_{j_2}^2 = c_{j_2-1}^2 = r_{\beta_2} c_{j_2}^1, \dots, c_n^2 = r_{\beta_2} c_n^1)$. It is a gallery of type **i** and $c_n^2 \supset r_{\beta_2}(\xi_1) = \xi_2$. But $\beta_3(\xi_2) < 0$, etc. At the end of the day, one gets a gallery $\delta^s = (c_0^s = c_0^0 = C_{\mathbb{A}}^+, c_1^s, \dots, c_n^s)$ of type **i** in \mathbb{A} starting from $C_{\mathbb{A}}^+$ and finishing in $c_n^s \supset \xi_s = w_+ \lambda$ (generating η). This gallery is folded along thick walls (this is condition (iii)), but perhaps not centrifugally folded (with respect to C_p^-), contrary to what is written (too quickly) in [14, line 3, p. 2650].

To prove now that ζ and η are opposite segment germs, it is equivalent to prove that $c_n^s (\supset \eta)$ and $c_n^- (\supset \zeta)$ are opposite chambers (as ζ and η are generated by vectors in $\pm W^\vee \lambda$). For this we shall choose carefully the successive chambers c_i^- and prove more than necessary: by induction on j , c_j^- and c_j^s are opposite for $0 \leq j \leq n$; this is true for $j = 0$. Let us suppose c_{j-1}^- and c_{j-1}^s opposite. Then c_j^s is adjacent to c_{j-1}^s (resp. c_j^- has to be strictly adjacent to c_{j-1}^-) along a panel (in the unrestricted sense) of type i_j . If the wall containing this panel is thin, then c_j^s and c_{j-1}^s (resp. c_j^- and c_{j-1}^-) are in the same apartments and $c_j^s \neq c_{j-1}^s$ (resp. $c_j^- \neq c_{j-1}^-$) so c_j^- and c_j^s are automatically opposite. If, on the contrary this wall is thick, then (from the theory of twin buildings, see e.g. [1, 5.139 and 5.134]) one knows that all chambers adjacent (or equal) to c_{j-1}^- (along a panel of type i_j) except exactly one, are opposite c_j^s . As the wall is thick, we can always choose c_j^- opposite c_j^s and strictly adjacent to c_{j-1}^- .

5.9. C_∞ –Hecke paths. We consider, as before § 5.7, a thick measure \mathcal{S} and a (canonical) apartment \mathbb{A} considered as a vector space with origin $0 = 0_{\mathbb{A}}$. It is endowed with a Weyl group W^\vee , a root system Φ (in \mathbb{A}^*), a fundamental vectorial chamber C_f^\vee and a Tits cone $\mathcal{T} = W^\vee.C_f^\vee$. We consider a spherical dominant or antidominant vector $\lambda \in \varepsilon(\overline{C}_f^\vee \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ)$.

Recall the definition and properties of λ –paths from § 5.2.3, § 5.4.1 and Lemma 5.3.

We consider now the case where $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_\oplus$ is the positive part of a twin measure and $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ is the canonical twin apartment. So \mathbb{A}_\ominus contains the fundamental negative local chamber C_∞ . For any $p \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ satisfying $p \overset{\circ}{>} 0$ or $p \leq 0$, we defined in § 5.1.3 the local chamber $C_p^\infty = pr_p(C_\infty)$; its sign is $+$ if $p \overset{\circ}{>} 0$ (i.e. $p \in \mathcal{T}^\circ$) and $-$ if $p \leq 0$ (i.e. $p \in -\mathcal{T}$).

We suppose the origin $\pi(0)$ of π in $\varepsilon\mathcal{T}$. By the choice of λ , we have $\pi(t) \in \varepsilon\mathcal{T}^\circ$, for any $t \in]0, 1]$. So $C_{\pi(t)}^\infty$ is well defined and of sign ε for $t > 0$.

Definition 5.16. Such a λ –path π is called a C_∞ –Hecke path of type λ (with sign ε) if, for any $0 < t < 1$, the left and right derivatives $\pi'_\pm(t) \in \varepsilon\mathcal{T}^\circ$ at $p = \pi(t)$ satisfy $\pi'_-(t) \leq_{W_p^\vee, C_p^\infty} \pi'_+(t)$, which means that there is a (W_p^\vee, C_p^∞) –chain from $\pi'_+(t)$ to $\pi'_-(t)$, i.e. finite sequences $(\xi_0 = \pi'_+(t), \xi_1, \dots, \xi_s = \pi'_-(t))$ of vectors in \mathbb{A} and $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_s)$ of real roots (in \mathbb{A}^*) such that, for all $i = 1, \dots, s$,

- (i) $r_{\beta_i}(\xi_{i-1}) = \xi_i$,
- (ii) $\beta_i(\xi_{i-1}) < 0$,
- (iii) $\beta_i(p) \in \mathbb{Z}$ (i.e. \exists a wall of direction $\ker \beta_i$ containing p),
- (iv) $\beta_i \in \Phi^+(C_p^\infty)$, i.e. $\beta_i(C_p^\infty) > \beta_i(p)$.

Remark 5.17.

- (1) When p is not a folding point of π (i.e. $\pi'_-(t) = \pi'_+(t)$), the above conditions (i) to (iv) are always fulfilled with $s = 0$.
- (2) W_p^v is the subgroup of W^v generated by the r_β , for $\beta \in \Phi$ and $\beta(p) \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- (3) The condition (iv), more precisely the definition of $\Phi^+(C_p^\infty)$, is opposite the definitions in [15, 1.8(iv) and 1.8(2)], [6, 3.3] or [8, 2.5]. Actually in these references the analogue of C_p^∞ (which determines locally the investigated retraction) is naturally of negative sign. In our case C_p^∞ is of positive sign for $\varepsilon = 1$ and negative sign for $\varepsilon = -1$; this is one of the reasons for our choice of definition of $\Phi^+(C_p^\infty)$. Notice that this $\Phi^+(C_p^\infty)$ will be also opposite the Φ^+ of Proposition 5.12(c)(iv), when we shall use this proposition.
- (4) We write $C_p^{\infty v} \subset \mathbb{A}$ the vectorial chamber (of sign ε) which is the direction of C_p^∞ . We consider the linear action of W^v on \mathbb{A} obtained by identifying (\mathbb{A}, C_f^v) and $(\mathbb{A}, C_p^{\infty v})$. As $\pi'_\pm(t)$ is also of sign ε , there is $w_\pm(t) \in W^v$ such that $\pi'_\pm(t) \in w_\pm(t).C_p^{\infty v} \subset V$; we actually choose $w_\pm(t)$ minimal for this property. Then the condition $\pi'_-(t) \leq_{W_p^v, C_p^\infty} \pi'_+(t)$ implies $w_-(t) \leq w_+(t)$:

Actually one may define $\sigma_i \in W^v$ minimal such that $\xi_i \in \sigma_i.C_p^{\infty v}$ (hence $w_-(t) = \sigma_s$ and $w_+(t) = \sigma_0$) and we prove now that $\sigma_i \leq \sigma_{i-1}$. Clearly $\xi_i \in r_{\beta_i}\sigma_{i-1}.C_p^{\infty v}$, so $\sigma_i \leq r_{\beta_i}\sigma_{i-1}$. But $\xi_{i-1} \in \sigma_{i-1}.C_p^{\infty v}$, $\beta_i(\xi_{i-1}) < 0$ and $\beta_i(C_p^{\infty v}) > 0$. Therefore $C_p^{\infty v}$ and $\sigma_{i-1}.C_p^{\infty v}$ are on opposite sides of the wall $\ker \beta_i$. This proves that $\ell(r_{\beta_i}\sigma_{i-1}) < \ell(\sigma_{i-1})$ and $r_{\beta_i}\sigma_{i-1} \leq \sigma_{i-1}$.

- (5) The relation $\pi'_-(t) \leq_{W_p^v, C_p^\infty} \pi'_+(t)$ is also opposite the relation appearing in the above references [6, 8, 15]. This is really a new phenomenon. We saw in remark (4) above that it implies $w_-(t) \leq w_+(t)$. This reminds us the relation $w_i^- \leq w_i^+$ of Proposition 5.6, but it is opposite the relation in [14, 5.4].

One may note that, in this reference the definition of $w_\pm(t)$ compares classically $\pi'_\pm(t)$ with the fundamental vectorial chamber C_f^v (which is opposite the analogue of C_p^∞), while the definition above compares it with C_p^∞ (which is seldom of direction C_f^v).

5.10. C_∞ -Hecke paths as retractions of C_∞ -friendly line segments. A line segment $[x, y]$ in \mathcal{S}_\oplus is said $\varepsilon - C_\infty$ -friendly if it is C_∞ -friendly in the sense of § 5.2.1 with $x \overset{\circ}{<} y$ if $\varepsilon = +1$ (resp. $x \overset{\circ}{>} y$ if $\varepsilon = -1$) and moreover, in a twin apartment $(A_0^\ominus, A_0^\oplus)$ containing $C_\infty \subset A_0^\ominus$ and $x \in A_0^\oplus$ (or even $[x, y] \subset A_0^\oplus$) one has $x \geq 0_{A_0^\oplus}$ (resp. $x \leq 0_{A_0^\oplus}$), where $0_{A_0^\oplus}$ is the element in A_0^\oplus opposite the vertex of C_∞ .

We write $\varphi : [0, 1] \rightarrow [x, y]$ an affine parametrization of $[x, y]$, with $x = \varphi(0), y = \varphi(1)$ and $\lambda = d^v(x, y)$; actually $\varepsilon\lambda$ is in the interior of the Tits cone and in $\overline{C_f^v}$.

By definition, the retraction ρ_{C_∞} (of a part of \mathcal{S}_\oplus into \mathbb{A}_\oplus , with center C_∞) is defined on $[x, y]$ and we saw in § 5.2.2 that the image $\pi = \rho_{C_\infty} \circ \varphi$ of $[x, y]$ by ρ_{C_∞} is a λ -path.

Proposition 5.18.

- (1) Let $[x, y] \subset \mathcal{S}_\oplus$ be an $\varepsilon - C_\infty$ -friendly line segment and $\lambda = d^v(x, y)$, then its image π by ρ_{C_∞} is a C_∞ -Hecke path of type λ (with sign ε).
- (2) Conversely let π be a C_∞ -Hecke path of type λ (with sign ε) in \mathbb{A}_\oplus with origin $p_0 \geq 0_{\mathbb{A}_\oplus}$ (resp. $p_0 \leq 0_{\mathbb{A}_\oplus}$) if $\varepsilon = +1$ (resp. $\varepsilon = -1$) and $x \in \mathcal{S}_\oplus$ be such that (C_∞, x) is twin friendly and $\rho_{C_\infty}(x) = p_0$, then there is an $\varepsilon - C_\infty$ -friendly line segment $[x, y]$ such that $\pi = \rho_{C_\infty}([x, y])$; moreover $\lambda = d^v(x, y)$.

Proof. We consider first the case $\varepsilon = -1$.

(1) Clearly $p_0 = \pi(0)$ satisfies $p_0 \leq 0_{\mathbb{A}_\oplus}$, i.e. $p_0 \in -\mathcal{T}$. For any $t \in]0, 1[$ we write $p = \pi(t)$; we have now to find a (W_p^v, C_p^∞) -chain from $\pi'_+(t)$ to $\pi'_-(t)$. For this we use Proposition 5.7 in the tangent space $\mathcal{T}_p(\mathcal{S}_\oplus)$ and we change first \mathbb{A} in order that it contains C_∞ and $[\varphi(t), x)$: this does not change π , up to an isomorphism which is a restriction of ρ_{C_∞} . We then have $p = \pi(t) = \varphi(t)$. For the chamber C_p^- we take the negative chamber C_p^∞ of § 5.1.3 (we identify local chambers at p and chambers in $\mathcal{T}_p(\mathcal{S}_\oplus)$). For ζ we take the negative segment germ $\varphi_+(t) = [p, y)$. For η we take the positive segment germ $\pi_-(t) = \varphi_-(t) = p - [0, 1)\pi'_-(t) \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (we identify segment germs of origin p in \mathcal{S}_\oplus and segment germs of origin 0 in $\mathcal{T}_p(\mathcal{S}_\oplus)$). And for $-\xi$ we take the negative segment germ $\pi_+(t) = p + [0, 1)\pi'_+(t) \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ (so $\xi = p - [0, 1)\pi'_+(t) \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ is a positive segment germ).

We have $\rho_{C_\infty}(\zeta) = -\xi$, i.e. $\rho(\zeta) = -\xi$, as the restriction of ρ_{C_∞} to $\mathcal{T}_p(\mathcal{S}_\oplus)$ is $\rho = \rho_{\mathbb{A}, C_p^\infty}$ (see Lemma 5.1). We are exactly in the situation of Proposition 5.12(1a), except that the λ in l.c. is our $-\lambda \in -\varepsilon\mathcal{T}^\circ = \mathcal{T}^\circ$: η (resp. ξ) is generated by $-\pi'_-(t) \in -W^v\lambda$ (resp. $-\pi'_+(t) \in -W^v\lambda$). From (a) \implies (c) in this proposition, we get $\eta \leq \xi$, or more precisely sequences $(\xi'_0 = -\pi'_+(t), \xi'_1, \dots, \xi'_s = -\pi'_-(t))$ and $(\beta'_1, \dots, \beta'_s)$ satisfying the conditions (i) to (iv) of Proposition 5.12(1c). Considering the sequences $(\xi_0 = -\xi'_0 = \pi'_+(t), \xi_1 = -\xi'_1, \dots, \xi_s = -\xi'_s = \pi'_-(t))$ and $(\beta_1 = -\beta'_1, \dots, \beta_s = -\beta'_s)$, we get the expected (W_p^v, C_p^∞) -chain, as the $\Phi^+(C_p^\infty)$ of § 5.9 (Definition 5.16(iv)) is opposite the Φ^+ of Proposition 5.12(1c)(iv).

(2) Now π is a C_∞ -Hecke path of shape λ (with sign $\varepsilon = -1$) in \mathbb{A}_\oplus with origin $p_0 \in \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ and $x \in \mathcal{S}_\oplus$ satisfies $\rho_{C_\infty}(x) = p_0$. By definition there is a subdivision $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{\ell_\pi} = 1$ of $[0, 1]$ such that $\pi([0, 1]) = [p_0, p_1] \cup [p_1, p_2] \cup \dots \cup [p_{\ell_\pi-1}, p_{\ell_\pi}]$, if we write $p_i = \pi(t_i)$. We take a twin apartment A_0 containing C_∞ and x , then $\rho_{C_\infty}|_{A_0}$ is an isomorphism of A_0 onto \mathbb{A} fixing C_∞ and sending x to p_0 ; so $x \leq 0_{\mathbb{A}_\oplus}$ as expected. We shall prove by induction that, for $i \geq 1$, there is a $(-1) - C_\infty$ -friendly line segment $[x, z_i]$ such that $\rho_{C_\infty}([x, z_i]) = \pi([0, t_i])$. We define $[x, z_1] = (\rho_{C_\infty}|_{A_0})^{-1}([p_0, p_1])$, it is a solution for $i = 1$. We assume now the result for i and prove it for $i + 1$. Up to an isomorphism, we may assume $\mathbb{A} \supset C_\infty \cup [z_i, x)$. Let $p := p_i = z_i$, we get the situation of Proposition 5.12, by setting $C_p^- := C_p^\infty$, $\eta := [z_i, x) = [p_i, p_{i-1})$, $-\xi = [p_i, p_{i+1})$. The condition (1c) of l.c. is fulfilled (see above in (1) the translation between chains). So the implication (c) \implies (a) provides us a segment germ ζ opposite η with origin z_i satisfying $\rho_{C_\infty}(\zeta) = -\xi = [p_i, p_{i+1})$. We write A_i a twin apartment containing C_∞ and ζ . Then $\rho_{C_\infty}|_{A_i}$ is an isomorphism from A_i onto \mathbb{A} fixing C_∞ and we define $[z_i, z_{i+1}] = (\rho_{C_\infty}|_{A_i})^{-1}([p_i, p_{i+1}])$. We have $\rho_{C_\infty}([x, z_i] \cup [z_i, z_{i+1}]) = \pi([0, t_{i+1}])$. But $[z_i, x) = \eta$ and $[z_i, z_{i+1}] = \zeta$ are opposite. So $[x, z_i] \cup [z_i, z_{i+1}]$ is a line segment by [15, 4.9] and we are done.

We deal now with the case $\varepsilon = +1$. (1) As above $p_0 = \pi(0)$ satisfies $p_0 \geq 0_{\mathbb{A}_\oplus}$, i.e. $p_0 \in \mathcal{T}$. For any $t \in]0, 1[$ we write $p = \pi(t)$; we have now to find a (W_p^v, C_p^∞) -chain from $\pi'_+(t)$ to $\pi'_-(t)$. We want to use Proposition 5.12 in $\mathcal{T}_p(\mathcal{S}_\oplus)$, but now C_p^∞ is a positive local chamber in \mathbb{A}_\oplus . Luckily the signs in Proposition 5.12 are not important, as e.g. Φ^+ is defined in (1c)(iv) by reference to C_p^- , not to the signs in \mathbb{A}_\oplus . The important fact is that ξ and η (resp. C_p^-, ζ and $-\xi$) are of the same sign. We change first \mathbb{A} in order that it contains C_∞ and $[\varphi(t), x)$, so $p = \pi(t) = \varphi(t)$. We take now $C_p^- := C_p^\infty$, $\zeta := \varphi_+(t)$, $\eta := \pi_-(t) = \varphi_-(t) = p - [0, 1)\pi'_-(t)$ and $-\xi = \pi_+(t) = p + [0, 1)\pi'_+(t)$, so $\xi = p - [0, 1)\pi'_+(t)$. We have $\rho_{C_\infty}(\zeta) = -\xi$ and we are exactly in the

situation of Proposition 5.12(1a), except for the signs; in particular η (resp. ξ) is generated by $-\pi'_-(t) \in -W^\vee\lambda$ (resp. $-\pi'_+(t) \in -W^\vee\lambda$), so the λ in l.c. is our $-\lambda$. From (1a) \implies (1c) in Proposition 5.12, we get $\eta \leq \xi$ which seems to mean $-\pi'_-(t) \leq -\pi'_+(t)$. By the same trick as above for the case $\varepsilon = -1$, we get the expected (W_p^\vee, C_p^∞) -chain from $\pi'_+(t)$ to $\pi'_-(t)$.

The proof of the converse result (2) is the same, mutatis mutandis, as the one given above in the case $\varepsilon = -1$. □

5.11. Consequences.

5.11.1. We considered in § 5.3.2 C_∞ -friendly line segments $[x, y]$ which were actually $\varepsilon - C_\infty$ -friendly. We endowed them with a decoration. Then $\pi = \rho_{C_\infty}([x, y]) \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$ is endowed with a superdecoration (§ 5.3.3) which makes it a superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path (see § 5.4.5 and § 5.4.6). Conversely we proved in Theorem 5.9 that a superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path is the image by ρ_{C_∞} of a C_∞ -friendly line segment.

Comparing with the above Proposition 5.10, we get that:

- (a) The underlying path of a super-decorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path is a C_∞ -Hecke path.
- (b) Any C_∞ -Hecke path $\pi \subset \mathbb{A}$ may be endowed with a super-decoration (provided that $\pi(0) \overset{\circ}{\geq} 0_\oplus$ or $\pi(0) \overset{\circ}{\leq} 0_\oplus$).
- (c) The number of these possible super-decorations is finite (see § 5.4.6).

Actually the consideration of (super-)decorations is useful to count the number of line segments with a given C_∞ -Hecke path as image under ρ_{C_∞} (see Theorem 5.9). But the definition we gave of a super-decoration is perhaps too precise. Other choices of the decorations $C_{t,\pi}^\pm$ may be interesting, e.g. to compare with Muthiah’s results in [29].

N.B. The reader should note that a decorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ path cannot always be endowed with a super-decoration. One should, at least, assume the condition $C_{t,\pi}^+ = pr_{\pi_+(t)}(C_{t,\pi}^-)$, when t is not among the t_i of Lemma 5.4. See analogously [8, Proposition 2.7 N.B. and Remark (3) in § 3.3].

5.11.2. We indicated in § 4.4.2 that our main motivation, according to Muthiah’s goals, was to calculate the cardinality of sets of the form $(K_{twin}\varpi^{-\lambda}K_{twin} \cap I_\infty\varpi^{-\mu}K_{twin})/K_{twin}$ for $\lambda, \mu \in \varepsilon(\overline{C}_f^\vee \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ \cap Y) \subset \mathbb{A}_\oplus$. Such a set is in one to one correspondence with the set of points $x \in \mathcal{S}_\oplus$ such that $d^\vee(0_\oplus, x) = \lambda$ and $\rho_{C_\infty}(x)$ is defined and equal to μ . Due to the lack of a Birkhoff decomposition, we are only able to calculate the cardinality of a subset: the set of the x as above such that, moreover, $\rho_{C_\infty}(z)$ is defined for any $z \in [0_\oplus, x]$. The formula we get for this cardinality is as follows: it is the sum of the numbers $\#\{[x, y]\}$ in Theorem 5.9(2), where the sum runs on the set of all superdecorated $C_\infty - \lambda$ paths in \mathbb{A}_\oplus of shape λ from 0_\oplus to μ (with the type \mathbf{i}_t fixed for any $t \in]0, 1[$). One can notice that this set of paths depends only on \mathbb{A}_\oplus , λ and μ (not of \mathbb{k}) and that it is finite, at least if the root system of \mathfrak{G} is untwisted affine of type A, D or E (see (1c) above and the result 4.4.2(4) of D. Muthiah). So (in the case of A, D, E with $\lambda \in -(\overline{C}_f^\vee \cap \mathcal{T}^\circ \cap Y)$) this cardinality is a well defined polynomial in the cardinality q of \mathbb{k} , depending only on \mathbb{A}_\oplus , λ and μ .

6. THE CASE OF AFFINE SL_2 : COUNTER-EXAMPLE TO THE BIRKHOFF DECOMPOSITION AND EXAMPLES OF HECKE PATHS

In this section, we begin by proving that when G is affine SL_2 over $\mathbb{k}(\varpi)$, the Birkhoff decomposition does not hold, that is $G_{\text{twin}} \not\subset I_\infty NK$. Actually, many Kac–Moody groups over $\mathbb{k}(\varpi)$ can be considered as affine SL_2 over $\mathbb{k}(\varpi)$: we will work with G^{loop} , G and \tilde{G} , which are respectively $SL_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}])$, $G^{\text{loop}} \rtimes \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$ and a central extension of G . Their maximal tori have dimensions 1, 2 and 3. In G^{loop} , neither the simple coroots nor the simple roots are free, in G the simple coroots are not free but the simple roots are free and in \tilde{G} both simple roots and simple coroots are free so that G and \tilde{G} fulfil the assumptions of § 4.1.2. To prove that the Birkhoff decomposition does not hold, we work in G^{loop} , in which the computations are easier, and then deduce the results for G and \tilde{G} .

We exhibit an element of $G_{\text{twin}} \setminus I_\infty NK$. Our element lies in $G \setminus (G_\oplus^+ \cup G_\oplus^-)$, where the index \oplus means that G^+ and G^- are defined with respect to \mathcal{J}_\oplus . This suggests that we need to work in G_\oplus^+ or G_\oplus^- to obtain a Birkhoff decomposition (see § 4.4.1). This was expected, since this is already the case for the Cartan decomposition

We end this section with some examples of Hecke paths associated with G .

6.1. Notation and projection of \tilde{G} on G . We begin by defining \tilde{G} , which is a central extension of $SL_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$, by defining a root generating system, in the sense of Bardy-Panse [5]. Let $\tilde{Y} = \mathbb{Z}\mathfrak{N}^\vee \oplus \mathbb{Z}c \oplus \mathbb{Z}d$, where \mathfrak{N}^\vee, c, d are some symbols, corresponding to the positive root of $SL_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi))$, to the central extension and to the semi-direct extension by $\mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$ respectively. Let $\tilde{X} = \mathbb{Z}\mathfrak{N} \oplus \mathbb{Z}\delta \oplus \mathbb{Z}\Lambda_0$, where $\mathfrak{N}, \delta, \Lambda_0 : \tilde{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ are the \mathbb{Z} -module morphisms defined by $\mathfrak{N}(\mathfrak{N}^\vee) = 2, \mathfrak{N}(c) = \mathfrak{N}(d) = 0, \delta(\mathfrak{N}^\vee) = 0 = \delta(c), \delta(d) = 1, \Lambda_0(c) = 1$ and $\Lambda_0(\mathfrak{N}^\vee) = \Lambda_0(d) = 0$. Let $\tilde{\alpha}_0 = \delta - \mathfrak{N}, \tilde{\alpha}_1 = \mathfrak{N}, \tilde{\alpha}_0^\vee = c - \mathfrak{N}^\vee$ and $\tilde{\alpha}_1^\vee = \mathfrak{N}^\vee$. Then

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}, \{\tilde{\alpha}_0, \tilde{\alpha}_1\}, \{\tilde{\alpha}_0^\vee, \tilde{\alpha}_1^\vee\} \right)$$

is a root generating system. Let \tilde{G} be the Kac–Moody group associated with $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ over $\mathbb{k}(\varpi)$. Then by [26, 13] and [27, 7.6], \tilde{G} is a central extension of $G := SL_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$, where u is an indeterminate and if $(M, z), (M_1, z_1) \in G$, with

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a(\varpi, u) & b(\varpi, u) \\ c(\varpi, u) & d(\varpi, u) \end{pmatrix}, M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_1(\varpi, u) & b_1(\varpi, u) \\ c_1(\varpi, u) & d_1(\varpi, u) \end{pmatrix},$$

we have

$$(M, z) \cdot (M_1, z_1) = \left(M \begin{pmatrix} a_1(\varpi, zu) & b_1(\varpi, zu) \\ c_1(\varpi, zu) & d_1(\varpi, zu) \end{pmatrix}, zz_1 \right). \tag{6.1}$$

Let $X = \mathbb{Z}\mathfrak{N} \oplus \mathbb{Z}\delta$ and $Y = \mathbb{Z}\mathfrak{N}^\vee \oplus \mathbb{Z}d$. We regard X as a set of maps from Y to \mathbb{Z} by restricting them to Y . Let $\alpha_0 = \delta - \mathfrak{N}, \alpha_1 = \mathfrak{N}, \alpha_0^\vee = -\mathfrak{N}^\vee$ and $\alpha_1^\vee = \mathfrak{N}^\vee$. Then

$$\mathcal{S} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, X, Y, \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1\}, \{\alpha_0^\vee, \alpha_1^\vee\} \right)$$

is a root generating system and G is the associated Kac–Moody group (over $\mathbb{k}(\varpi)$).

Note that the family $(\alpha_0^\vee, \alpha_1^\vee)$ is not free. We have $\Phi = \{\alpha + k\delta \mid \alpha \in \{\pm\mathfrak{N}\}, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ and (α_0, α_1) is a basis of this root system. We denote by Φ^+ (resp. Φ^-) the set $\Phi \cap (\mathbb{N}\alpha_0 + \mathbb{N}\alpha_1)$ (resp. $-\Phi_+$). For $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $y \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$, we set

$$x_{\mathfrak{N}+k\delta}(y) = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u^k y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, 1 \right) \in G \quad \text{and} \quad x_{-\mathfrak{N}+k\delta}(y) = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ u^k y & 1 \end{pmatrix}, 1 \right) \in G.$$

The tori of \tilde{G}, G and G^{loop} are different (with respective dimensions 3, 2 and 1). On the contrary the maximal unipotent subgroups \tilde{U}^\pm, U^\pm and U_{loop}^\pm are naturally isomorphic [35, 1.9.2].

We set

$$T = \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & y^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, z \right) \mid y, z \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* \right\}.$$

Then T is a maximal split torus of G . Let N be the normalizer of T in G . We have

$$N = G \cap \left(\left(\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* u^{\mathbb{Z}} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* u^{\mathbb{Z}} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* \right) \sqcup \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* u^{\mathbb{Z}} \\ \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* u^{\mathbb{Z}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* \right) \right).$$

Recall that $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$. We have

$$\mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}) = G \cap \left(\left(\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}} u^{\mathbb{Z}} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}} u^{\mathbb{Z}} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}} \right) \sqcup \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}} u^{\mathbb{Z}} \\ \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}} u^{\mathbb{Z}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}} \right) \right)$$

and $\mathfrak{U}(\mathcal{O}) := \langle x_{\alpha+k\delta}(\mathcal{O}) \mid \alpha \in \{\pm\mathfrak{N}\}, k \in \mathbb{Z} \rangle$, so that

$$G_{\text{twin}} = \langle \mathfrak{N}(\mathcal{O}), \mathfrak{U}(\mathcal{O}) \rangle \subset \text{SL}_2 \left(\mathcal{O} \begin{bmatrix} u & \\ & u^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \right) \rtimes \mathbb{k}^* \varpi^{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

The group G (resp \tilde{G}) acts on the masures $\mathcal{I}_{\oplus}, \mathcal{I}_{\ominus}$ (resp $\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\oplus}, \tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\ominus}$). We denote with a tilde the objects related to the masures $\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\oplus}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\ominus}$ (for example the vertex $\tilde{0}_{\oplus}$ and the local chamber \tilde{C}_{∞}). Let K (resp. \tilde{K}) be the fixator of 0_{\oplus} (resp. of $\tilde{0}_{\oplus}$) in G (resp. in \tilde{G}) and I_{∞} (resp. \tilde{I}_{∞}) be the fixator of C_{∞} in G_{twin} (resp. of \tilde{C}_{∞} in \tilde{G}_{twin}). Let $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$. The standard apartment $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ can be written as $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \oplus \mathbb{R}c$, where $c \in Y$ corresponds to the center, so that $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ can be considered as the quotient of $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ by $\mathbb{R}c$. Let $\pi : \tilde{G} \rightarrow G$ denote the natural projection and denote also by $\pi : \tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \oplus \mathbb{R}c \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ the natural projection. Then we have the following easy lemma.

Lemma 6.1. *The map $\pi : \tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ uniquely extends to a map $\pi : \tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ such that $\pi(g.a) = \pi(g).\pi(a)$ for $g \in \tilde{G}$, $a \in \tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. In particular, we can regard $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ as a quotient of $\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ by $\mathbb{R}c$.*

Let $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$ and $f(\varpi), g(\varpi) \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$ be such that $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(f(\varpi)) = \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(g(\varpi)) = 0$. Let $\ell, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$$\left(\left(\begin{pmatrix} f(\varpi)\varpi^{\ell} & 0 \\ 0 & f(\varpi)^{-1}\varpi^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix}, g(\varpi)\varpi^n \right) \right)$$

acts on $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ by the translation of vector $-\text{sgn}(\mathfrak{v})(\ell\mathfrak{N}^{\vee} + nd)$.

The kernel C of $\pi : \tilde{G} \rightarrow G$ is a one-dimensional split central torus (actually the reduced connected component of the center of \tilde{G} , which is contained in \tilde{T}), with cocharacter group $\mathbb{Z}.c \subset \tilde{Y}$ (cocharacter group of \tilde{T}). So there exists an isomorphism $T_C : \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* \rightarrow C$ such that $T_C(a)$ acts by the translations of vectors $-\omega_{\oplus}(a)c$ on $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\oplus}$ and $-\omega_{\ominus}(a)c$ on $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\ominus}$ (see § 2.2.2(2)). We set $t_c = T_C(\varpi^{-1}) \in \tilde{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]) \subset \tilde{G}_{\text{twin}}$.

Lemma 6.2. *Let $i \in \tilde{G}$ be such that $\pi(i) \in I_{\infty}$. Then $i \in \tilde{I}_{\infty}C \subset \tilde{I}_{\infty}\tilde{T}$.*

Proof. We have $\pi(i.\tilde{0}_{\ominus}) = 0_{\ominus}$ and hence $i.\tilde{0}_{\ominus} = 0_{\ominus} + kc$, for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $it_c^k.\tilde{0}_{\ominus} = \tilde{0}_{\ominus}$. Then $it_c^k.\tilde{C}_{\infty}$ is a local chamber based at $\tilde{0}_{\ominus}$ and we have $\pi(it_c^k.\tilde{C}_{\infty}) = C_{\infty}$. Therefore $it_c^k \in \tilde{I}_{\infty}$ and $i \in \tilde{I}_{\infty}C \subset \tilde{I}_{\infty}\tilde{T}$. □

Lemma 6.3. *Recall that $\tilde{\mathcal{E}} = \tilde{I}_{\infty}.\tilde{\mathbb{A}}$ and that $\mathcal{E} = I_{\infty}.\mathbb{A}$. Then*

$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}} = \pi^{-1}(\mathcal{E}) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_{\infty}} = \pi \circ \rho_{C_{\infty}}.$$

More precisely, let $g \in G$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}$ be such that $g.x \in \mathcal{E}$. Let $\tilde{g} \in \pi^{-1}(g)$ and $\tilde{x} \in \pi^{-1}(x)$. Then $\tilde{g}.\tilde{x} \in \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ and $\pi \circ \tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_{\infty}}(\tilde{g}.\tilde{x}) = \rho_{C_{\infty}}(g.x)$.

Proof. Let $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$. Write $\tilde{x} = \tilde{i}.\tilde{y}$, where $\tilde{i} \in \tilde{I}_\infty$ and $\tilde{y} = \tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_\infty(\tilde{x})} \in \mathbb{A}$. Then

$$\pi(\tilde{x}) = \pi(\tilde{i}).\pi(\tilde{y}) \in I_\infty.\pi(\tilde{y}) \subset \mathcal{E}.$$

Moreover, $\pi(\tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_\infty(\tilde{x})}(\tilde{x})) = \pi(\tilde{y}) = \rho_{C_\infty}(\pi(x))$. Conversely, take $x \in \mathcal{E}$. Write $x = i.y$, with $i \in I_\infty$ and $y \in \mathbb{A}$. Let

$$\tilde{x} \in \pi^{-1}(\{x\}), \tilde{y} \in \pi^{-1}(\{y\}) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{i} \in \pi^{-1}(\{i\}).$$

Then $\pi(\tilde{i}.\tilde{y}) = \pi(\tilde{x})$ and hence there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\tilde{x} = (t_c)^k \tilde{i}.\tilde{y} = \tilde{i}(t_c)^k.\tilde{y}$. Therefore $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$, which proves that $\tilde{\mathcal{E}} = \pi^{-1}(\mathcal{E})$.

Take $g \in G$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}$ such that $g.x \in \mathcal{E}$. Let $\tilde{g} \in \pi^{-1}(\{g\})$ and $\tilde{x} \in \pi^{-1}(\{x\})$. Write $g.x = i.y$, with $i \in I_\infty$ and $y \in \mathbb{A}$. Take $\tilde{i} \in \pi^{-1}(\{i\})$ and $\tilde{y} \in \pi^{-1}(\{y\})$. Then $\pi(\tilde{g}.\tilde{x}) = \pi(\tilde{i}.\tilde{y})$, so there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\tilde{g}.\tilde{x} = \tilde{i}(t_c)^k.\tilde{y} \in \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$. Therefore $\tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_\infty}(\tilde{g}.\tilde{x}) = (t_c)^k.\tilde{y}$, and the lemma follows. \square

In § 2.1.1, we defined actions of W^v on $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}$ and \mathbb{A} . We denote by $\tilde{\cdot}$ the action of W^v on $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}$. We have $w.\tilde{x} \in w.x + \mathbb{R}c$, for all $x \in \mathbb{A} \subset \tilde{\mathbb{A}}$.

Lemma 6.4. *Let $\tilde{\lambda} \in \tilde{C}_f^v$ and $\lambda = \pi(\tilde{\lambda})$. Let $v, w \in W^v$ be such that $v.\lambda = w.\lambda$. Then $v.\tilde{\lambda} = w.\tilde{\lambda}$.*

Proof. Let $i \in I = \{0, 1\}$. We have $r_i.\lambda = \lambda - \alpha_i(\lambda)\alpha_i^\vee$ and $r_i.\tilde{\lambda} = \lambda - \tilde{\alpha}_i(\lambda)\tilde{\alpha}_i^\vee = \lambda - \alpha_i(\lambda)\tilde{\alpha}_i^\vee$, with $\tilde{\alpha}_i^\vee \in \alpha_i^\vee + \mathbb{R}c$. Moreover, $(W^v).\tilde{c} = \{c\}$, so by induction on $\ell(w')$, we have $(w')\tilde{\lambda} \in w'.\lambda + \mathbb{R}c$, for all $w' \in W^v$.

Write $\tilde{\lambda} = \lambda + tc$, with $t \in \mathbb{R}$. We have $v^{-1}w.\lambda = \lambda$ and therefore:

$$v^{-1}w.\tilde{\lambda} = v^{-1}w.(\lambda + tc) = v^{-1}w.\lambda + tv^{-1}w.c = v^{-1}w.\lambda + tc \in v^{-1}w.\lambda + \mathbb{R}c = \lambda + \mathbb{R}c = \tilde{\lambda} + \mathbb{R}c.$$

Consequently $v^{-1}w.\tilde{\lambda} \in \tilde{C}_f^v \cap W^v.\tilde{\lambda} = \{\tilde{\lambda}\}$ \square

Lemma 6.5. *Let $\tilde{\lambda} \in \tilde{C}_f^v \cap \tilde{T}^\circ$, $\lambda = \pi(\tilde{\lambda})$, and $\tau : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ be a λ -path (for the action . of W^v on \mathbb{A}) and $\tilde{a}_0 \in \tilde{\mathbb{A}}$ be such that $\pi(\tilde{a}_0) = \tau(0)$. Then there exists a unique $\tilde{\lambda}$ -path $\tilde{\tau} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{A}}$ (for the action $\tilde{\cdot}$ of W^v on $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}$) such that $\pi \circ \tilde{\tau} = \tau$ and $\tilde{\tau}(0) = \tilde{a}_0$.*

Proof. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$ be such that τ is differentiable (with constant derivative) on $]t_i, t_{i+1}[$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$. For $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ and $t \in]t_i, t_{i+1}[$, choose $w_i \in W^v$ such that $\tau'(t) = w_i.\lambda$. Let $\tilde{\tau} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{A}}$ be a $\tilde{\lambda}$ -path with $\pi \circ \tilde{\tau} = \tau$. Maybe increasing the number of t_i , we may assume that $\tilde{\tau}$ is differentiable on $]t_i, t_{i+1}[$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$. Let $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ and $t \in]t_i, t_{i+1}[$. Then $\pi(\tilde{\tau}'(t)) = w_i.\lambda$. By Lemma 6.4 we deduce that $\tilde{\tau}'(t) = w_i.\tilde{\lambda}$. So $\tilde{\tau}(t) - \tilde{\tau}(0)$ is well-determined by τ for every $t \in [0, 1]$, which proves the desired uniqueness.

For the existence, it suffices to set $\tilde{\tau}(t) = \tilde{a}_0 + \int_0^t \tilde{\tau}'$, for $t \in [0, 1]$. \square

Let $g \in G$ and $\varphi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$ be a parametrization of a preordered segment of \mathbb{A} . We assume moreover that $g.\varphi(t) \in \mathcal{E}$ for all $t \in [0, 1]$. Let $\tilde{g} \in \pi^{-1}(\{g\})$. Then from what we proved, for every $t \in [0, 1]$, $\tilde{g}.\varphi(t) \in \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ and $\pi(\tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_\infty}(\tilde{g}.\varphi)) = \rho_{C_\infty}(g.\varphi)$, and we can recover $\pi(\tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_\infty}(\tilde{g}.\varphi))$ from $\tilde{\rho}_{\tilde{C}_\infty}(\tilde{g}.\varphi)$.

Let \tilde{I}_∞ be the fixator of \tilde{C}_∞ in \tilde{G}_{twin} , $\tilde{N} = \pi^{-1}(N)$. Let $\tilde{g} \in \tilde{I}_\infty \tilde{N} \tilde{K}$ and $g = \pi(\tilde{g})$. Then by Lemma 6.1, $g \in I_\infty N K$. Therefore, in order to prove that $\tilde{I}_\infty \tilde{N} \tilde{K} \not\subseteq \tilde{G}_{twin}$, it suffices to prove that $I_\infty N K \not\subseteq G_{twin}$ and we now work with G instead of \tilde{G} .

6.2. Reduction to a problem in G^{loop} . We have $G^{\text{loop}} = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \{1\} \subset G$. We set $I_\infty^{\text{loop}} = I_\infty \cap G^{\text{loop}}$ and $K^{\text{loop}} = K \cap G^{\text{loop}}$. We denote by $\text{proj}^{sd} : G \rightarrow \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$ the projection on the second coordinate. We begin by proving that we can get rid of the semi-direct product and work in G^{loop} . We regard δ as a linear form $\mathbb{A}_{twin} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. For $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$, we denote by $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}} : \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the restriction of δ to $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. As $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(N^{\vee}) = 0$, $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is W^{\vee} -invariant. Let $\rho_{+\infty, \mathfrak{v}} : \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ be the retraction with respect to the sector germ $C_f^{\mathfrak{v}}$. We extend $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}}$ to $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ by setting $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(x) = \delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(\rho_{+\infty, \mathfrak{v}}(x))$, for $x \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Actually by [19, Proposition 8.3.2(2)], we have $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}} = \delta_{\mathfrak{v}} \circ \rho$, for any retraction $\rho : \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ centred at a sector germ.

Recall from § 2.2.4 that

$$U_{C_\infty} = \langle x_\alpha(y) \mid \alpha \in \Phi, y \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi), x_\alpha(y) \in G_{C_\infty} \rangle$$

and

$$T_{0, \ominus} = \mathfrak{T}(\{y \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \mid \omega_\ominus(y) = 0\}) = \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & y^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, z \right) \mid y, z \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*, \omega_\ominus(y) = \omega_\ominus(z) = 0 \right\}.$$

Lemma 6.6. *Let $g \in G$, $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$ and $x \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}$. Write $g = (g^{\text{loop}}, g^{sd})$ with $g^{sd} \in \mathcal{K}^*$. Then $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(g.x) = \delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(x) + \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(g^{sd})$.*

Proof. Suppose that $\mathfrak{v} = \oplus$. By the Iwasawa decomposition ([35, Proposition 4.7]) we can write $g = v_1 t_1 k$, with $v_1 \in U^+$, $t_1 \in T$ and $k \in K$. By [35, Proposition 4.14] applied with the point 0_\oplus we can write $k = v_+ v_- n$, where $v_+ \in U^+$, $v_- \in U^-$ and $n \in N \cap K$. Write $x = v_2.y$, with $v_2 \in U^+$. Then $\delta_\oplus(g.x) = \delta(v_1 t_1 v_+ v_- n v_2.y)$. As T normalizes U^+ and U^- , we have $\delta_\oplus(g.x) = \delta_\oplus(v_1 v'_+ v'_- t_1 n v_2.y)$, for some $v'_+ \in U^+$ and $v'_- \in U^-$. By [19, Proposition 8.3.2(2)], we deduce that $\delta_\oplus(g.x) = \delta_\oplus(t_1 n v_2.y)$. As $t_1 n v_2 (t_1 n)^{-1}$ fixes the sector germ $t_1 n.(+\infty)$, [19, Proposition 8.3.2(2)] implies that

$$\delta_\oplus(g.x) = \delta_\oplus(t_1 n.y).$$

We have $g = v_1 t_1 v_+ v_- n$ and thus $\text{proj}^{sd}(g) = g^{sd} = \text{proj}^{sd}(t_1) \text{proj}^{sd}(n)$. As $n \in N \cap K$, we have $\omega_\oplus(\text{proj}^{sd}(n)) = 0$. Therefore $\ell := \omega_\oplus(\text{proj}^{sd}(g)) = \omega_\oplus(\text{proj}^{sd}(t_1))$. Therefore $\delta_\oplus(t_1 n.y) = \delta_\oplus(y) + \ell = \delta_\oplus(x) + \ell$, which proves the lemma when $\mathfrak{v} = \oplus$. The case where $\mathfrak{v} = \ominus$ is similar. □

Remark 6.7.

- (1) From the Lemma 6.6 we deduce that if $\mathfrak{v} \in \{\ominus, \oplus\}$, then the measure $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}}^{\text{loop}}$ of G^{loop} is actually $\{x \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} \mid \delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(x) = 0\}$.
- (2) Suppose \mathfrak{v} is any place of \mathcal{K} and write $g = (g^{\text{loop}}, g^{sd}) \in \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{K}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathcal{K}^* = G$. Let $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}}$ be the map $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ whose restriction on the canonical apartment $\mathbb{A}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is $\delta : Y \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as in § 6.2. Then the above lemma may be generalized easily to get $\delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(g.x) = \delta_{\mathfrak{v}}(x) + \omega_{\mathfrak{v}}(g^{sd})$.

Lemma 6.8. *The Laurent polynomial versions of G^{loop} and G are $G_{pol}^{\text{loop}} = \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}])$ and $G_{pol} = \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathcal{O}^*$, where $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}]$, hence $\mathcal{O}^* = \bigsqcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{k}\varpi^j$.*

Proof. For any place \mathfrak{v} , we know from [35, 4.12.3.b], that $\{g \in \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{K}[u, u^{-1}]) \mid g.0_{\mathfrak{v}} = 0_{\mathfrak{v}}\}$ is equal to $\text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}[u, u^{-1}])$. Taking now the intersection in $\text{SL}_2(\mathcal{K}[u, u^{-1}])$ of all these groups for $\mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty$, we get $G_{pol}^{\text{loop}} = \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}])$ (see § 4.1.2.3.a). Now from Remark 6.7(2), we see that the component in \mathcal{K}^* of an element in G_{pol} has to be in \mathcal{O}^* . So we get clearly $G_{pol} = \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathcal{O}^*$. □

Remark 6.9. Comparison of G_{twin} and G_{pol} :

- (1) Inside G_{pol}^{loop} (resp. G_{pol}) the twin group G_{twin}^{loop} (resp. G_{twin}) is generated by the diagonal and upper or lower triangular matrices in $SL_2(\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}])$ (resp. and by \mathcal{O}^*). So the problem of the equality of G_{pol}^{loop} with G_{twin}^{loop} (resp. G_{pol} with G_{twin}) is exactly equivalent to the problem of the generation of $SL_2(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}, u, u^{-1}])$ by its elementary matrices. Unfortunately, in [13, § 2 p. 228], the author tells that he knows no answer for this problem (while many closely related cases are known).
- (2) We may also look more generally to affine SL_n over $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$, i.e. replace above SL_2 by SL_n for $n \geq 3$. One gets easily that, as above for SL_2 , $G_{twin} = G_{twin}^{loop} \times \mathcal{O}^*$ and $G_{pol} = G_{pol}^{loop} \times \mathcal{O}^*$. Moreover G_{twin}^{loop} is the subgroup of $SL_n(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}])$ generated by its unipotent elementary matrices with coefficients in $\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}]$; it is a subgroup of $SL_n(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}, u, u^{-1}])$.

Now, for any place \mathfrak{v} , $\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is a discrete valuation ring (in particular a local ring); so, following [12, p. 14], $\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is a GE -ring: $SL_n(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}})$ is generated by its unipotent elementary matrices. Following [39, p. 223], $SK_1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}) = \{0\}$. And from [l.c. Corollary 7.10], $SL_n(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}[u, u^{-1}])$ is generated by its unipotent elementary matrices, for $n \geq 3$ (as $\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ is of dimension 1). We have got what is needed to generalize [35, 4.12.3.b] from SL_2 to SL_n . So $SL_n(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}[u, u^{-1}])$ is the group of elements $g \in SL_n(\mathcal{K}[u, u^{-1}])$ fixing the origin $0_{\mathfrak{v}}$ of the measure $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{v}}$ of $SL_n(\mathcal{K}[u, u^{-1}])$ associated to the valuation $\omega_{\mathfrak{v}}$.

Taking now the intersection in $SL_n(\mathcal{K}[u, u^{-1}])$ of all these groups for $\mathfrak{v} \neq 0, \infty$, we get $G_{pol}^{loop} = SL_n(\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}])$ (as above in Lemma 6.8). But Corollary 7.11 of [39] tells that $SL_n(\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}, u, u^{-1}])$ is generated by its elementary unipotent matrices for $n \geq 3$. So $G_{pol}^{loop} = G_{twin}^{loop}$ and $G_{pol} = G_{twin}$.

Lemma 6.10. Let $g \in I_{\infty}NK \cap G^{loop}$. Then $g \in I_{\infty}^{loop}N^{loop}K^{loop}$, where $N^{loop} = N \cap G^{loop}$.

Proof. Let $G_{C_{\infty}}$ be the fixator of C_{∞} in G . We have $I_{\infty} = G_{C_{\infty}} \cap G_{twin}$ and by Proposition 2.4, $G_{C_{\infty}} = U_{C_{\infty}} \cdot T_{0, \ominus}$,

Write $g = vt_0nk$, where $v \in U_{C_{\infty}}$, $t_0 \in T_{0, \ominus}$, $n \in N$ and $k \in K$. Write $k = (k_1, k_2)$, with $k_2 \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$. Then by Lemma 6.6, we have $\omega_{\oplus}(k_2) = 0$ and hence $(1, k_2) \in K$. By (6.1) we deduce that $(1, k_2^{-1}) \cdot k \in K^{loop}$. We have

$$g = v \cdot t_0 n (1, k_2) \cdot (1, k_2^{-1}) k \in I_{\infty}^{loop} N K^{loop} \cap G^{loop}.$$

As proj^{sd} is a group morphism, we deduce $t_0 n (1, k_2) \in N^{loop}$, which proves the lemma. \square

6.3. Towards a counter-example in G^{loop} . We now prove that $I_{\infty}^{loop}N^{loop}K^{loop} \neq G^{loop} \cap G_{twin}$. We now identify G^{loop} with $SL_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}])$.

We begin by describing I_{∞}^{loop} (or more precisely a group containing it). After that, we regard G^{loop} as a subgroup of $\overline{G^{loop}} = SL_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)((u^{-1})))$, and define ‘‘completions’’ $\overline{K^{loop}}$ and $\overline{I_{\infty}}$ of K^{loop} and I_{∞} in $\overline{G^{loop}}$. We then define an element $g \in G^{loop} \cap G_{twin}$, that admits a decomposition $g = \overline{ik}$, with $(\overline{i}, \overline{k}) \in \overline{I_{\infty}} \setminus I_{\infty} \times \overline{K^{loop}} \setminus K^{loop}$, and by a uniqueness property for these decompositions, we deduce that $g \notin I_{\infty}N^{loop}K^{loop}$.

Recall that $\mathcal{O}_{\oplus} = \{y \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \mid \omega_{\oplus}(y) \geq 0\}$.

Lemma 6.11. We have $K = SL_2(\mathcal{O}_{\oplus}[u, u^{-1}]) \times \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}^*$.

Proof. By [35, Proposition 4.14], we have $K = U_{0_{\oplus}}^{nm-} U_{0_{\oplus}}^+ \widehat{N}_{0_{\oplus}}$, where

$$U_{0_{\oplus}}^+ = U^+ \cap \left\langle \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Phi} \{u \in U_{\alpha} \mid u \cdot 0_{\oplus} = 0_{\oplus}\} \right\rangle,$$

$\widehat{N}_{0_{\oplus}}$ is the fixator of 0_{\oplus} in N and $U_{0_{\oplus}}^{nm-}$ is defined in § 2.2.4. By [35, Example 4.12 (3b)], $U_{0_{\oplus}}^{nm-} \subset \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\oplus}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \{1\}$. As $\widehat{N}_{0_{\oplus}}$ and $U_{0_{\oplus}}^+$ are contained in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\oplus}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}^*$, we deduce that $K \subset \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\oplus}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}^*$. By [35][Example 4.12 (3b)], we have $K^{\mathrm{loop}} = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\oplus}[u, u^{-1}])$ and as $\{1\} \rtimes \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}^*$ fixes 0_{\oplus} (it fixes \mathbb{A}_{\oplus}), we deduce that $K = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\oplus}[u, u^{-1}]) \rtimes \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}^*$. \square

Lemma 6.12. *We have*

$$I_{\infty}^{\mathrm{loop}} \subset \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] & \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] \\ \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] & \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}] \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. Recall that $G_{C_{\infty}}$ is the fixator of C_{∞} in G . Let $y \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $k \geq 0$, then $x_{\aleph+k\delta}(y) \in G_{C_{\infty}}$ if and only if $\omega_{\ominus}(y) > 0$ and if $k < 0$, then $x_{\aleph+k\delta}(y) \in G_{C_{\infty}}$ if and only if $\omega_{\ominus}(y) \geq 0$. Indeed, the fixed point set of $x_{\aleph+k\delta}(y)$ is $D := \{a \in \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} \mid \aleph(a) + k\delta(a) + \omega_{\ominus}(y) \geq 0\}$.

- If $\omega_{\ominus}(y) > 0$, then D contains a neighborhood of 0_{\ominus} in \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} and thus D contains C_{∞} .
- If $C_{\infty} \subset D$, then $0_{\ominus} \in D$ and thus $\omega_{\ominus}(y) \geq 0$.
- Assume that $k \geq 0$ and that $C_{\infty} \subset D$. Let Ω be a neighborhood of 0_{\ominus} in \mathbb{A}_{\ominus} such that $\Omega \cap -C_{f, \ominus}^v$ is contained in D . Then for all $a \in \Omega \cap -C_{f, \ominus}^v$, we have $\omega_{\ominus}(y) \geq (-\aleph(a) - k\delta(a)) > 0$ and thus $\omega_{\ominus}(y) > 0$.
- Assume that $k < 0$. As $\{\aleph, \delta - \aleph\}$ is a basis of Φ^+ , we have that $(\aleph - \delta)(C_{\infty}) > 0$, and thus $(\aleph + k\delta)(C_{\infty}) > 0$. Therefore if $\omega_{\ominus}(y) = 0$, then $x_{\aleph+k\delta}(y) \in G_{C_{\infty}}$.

Similarly, if $k > 0$, then $x_{-\aleph+k\delta}(y) \in G_{C_{\infty}}$ if and only if $\omega_{\ominus}(y) > 0$ and if $k \leq 0$, then $x_{-\aleph+k\delta}(y) \in G_{C_{\infty}}$ if and only if $\omega_{\ominus}(y) \geq 0$.

By Proposition 2.4, we have $G_{C_{\infty}} = U_{C_{\infty}} \cdot T_{0, \ominus}$.

Take $v \in U_{C_{\infty}}$ and write it $v = \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} \end{pmatrix}, 1 \right)$, with $a_{1,1}, a_{1,2}, a_{2,1}, a_{2,2} \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)[u, u^{-1}]$. Take $t \in T_{0, \ominus}$ and write it

$$\left(\begin{pmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & y^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, z \right),$$

with $y, z \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^*$ such that $\omega_{\ominus}(y) = \omega_{\ominus}(z) = 0$. Then

$$vt = \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1}y & a_{1,2}y^{-1} \\ a_{2,1}y & a_{2,2}y^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, z \right).$$

Let $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$. By the first part of the proof, we can write

$$a_{i,j} = \sum_{k \leq -1, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}} \varpi^{-k} f_{k,\ell}(\varpi) u^{\ell} + \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}} f_{0,\ell}(\varpi) u^{-\ell},$$

where $f_{k,\ell}(\varpi) \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$ satisfies $\omega_{\ominus}(f_{k,\ell}(\varpi)) = 0$ for all k, ℓ , with $f_{0,0}(\varpi) = 0$ if $(i, j) = (1, 2)$. Lemma follows by intersecting $G_{C_{\infty}}$, G_{twin} and G^{loop} . \square

6.4. Calculations in a completion. Let $\overline{G^{\text{loop}}} = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{k}(\varpi)((u^{-1}))) \supset G^{\text{loop}}$. By [35, 4.12.3.b] this group is the negative Mathieu completion $(G^{\text{loop}})^{\text{ma}}$ of G^{loop} (cf. § 2.2.3, § 2.2.4(2)).

Let

$$\overline{K^{\text{loop}}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}((u^{-1})) & \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}((u^{-1})) \\ \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}((u^{-1})) & \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}((u^{-1})) \end{pmatrix} \cap \overline{G^{\text{loop}}}$$

and

$$\overline{I_{\infty}^{\text{loop}}} = \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}((u^{-1})) + \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] & \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}((u^{-1})) + u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] \\ \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}((u^{-1})) + \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] & \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}((u^{-1})) + \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] \end{pmatrix} \cap \overline{G^{\text{loop}}}.$$

By Lemmas 6.11 and 6.12,

$$K^{\text{loop}} \subset \overline{K^{\text{loop}}}, I_{\infty}^{\text{loop}} \subset \overline{I_{\infty}^{\text{loop}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{I_{\infty}^{\text{loop}}} \cap \overline{K^{\text{loop}}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] & u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] \\ \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] & \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]] \end{pmatrix} \cap \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]]).$$

Lemma 6.13. *The subgroup $U_{C_{\infty}}^{\text{ma}-}$ of $\overline{G^{\text{loop}}}$ introduced in § 2.2.4(2) is the intersection H of $\text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]])$ with*

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]] & u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]] \\ \mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]] & 1+u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]] \end{pmatrix}.$$

Its intersection with G^{loop} (resp. $G_{\text{twin}}^{\text{loop}} = G^{\text{loop}} \cap G_{\text{twin}}$) is $U_{C_{\infty}}^{\text{pm}-}$ (resp. is in I_{∞}^{loop}). Its intersection with $G_{\text{pol}}^{\text{loop}}$ is the intersection of

$$\text{SL}_2\left(\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}, u^{-1}]\right) \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1+u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}, u^{-1}] & u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}, u^{-1}] \\ \mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}, u^{-1}] & 1+u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}, u^{-1}] \end{pmatrix}.$$

N.B. $U_{C_{\infty}}^{\text{ma}-}$ is not in $\overline{I_{\infty}^{\text{loop}}}$. One should replace $\varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}]$ by $\{x \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi) \mid \omega_{\ominus}(x) > 0\}$ in the definition of this last group to get such an inclusion.

Proof. An easy calculation in SL_2 proves that a matrix is in H if, and only if, it may be written

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ c & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1+d & 0 \\ 0 & (1+d)^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ with } c \in \mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]] \text{ and } b, d \in u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]].$$

On the other side we saw in § 2.2.4(2) that (taking $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathfrak{sl}_2(\mathbb{Z}[u, u^{-1}]))$ the elements in $U_{C_{\infty}}^{\text{ma}-}$ are written $\prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^{-}} X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{O}_{\ominus})$ (as $f_{C_{\infty}}(\alpha) = 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta^{-}$). And we may choose any order on the set Δ^{-} of negative roots. We consider first (on the left) the roots $-\aleph - n\delta$ for $n \geq 0$, then (in the middle) the imaginary roots $-n\delta$ for $n > 0$ and last (on the right) the roots $\aleph - n\delta$ for $n > 0$. For

$$\alpha = -\aleph - n\delta, \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \mathbb{Z}u^{-n} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

so

$$X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{O}_{\ominus}) = x_{\alpha}(\mathcal{O}_{\ominus}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \mathcal{O}_{\ominus}u^{-n} & 1 \end{pmatrix};$$

hence the (commutative) product of these terms for $n \geq 0$ is written $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ c & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ with $c \in \mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]]$. Similarly the (commutative) product of the $X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{O}_{\ominus})$ for $\alpha = \aleph - n\delta$ with $n > 0$ is written $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ with $b \in u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\ominus}[[u^{-1}]]$.

To get the first assertion of the lemma, the last thing to do now is to identify the commutative products of the $X_{\alpha}(\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha, \mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{O}_{\ominus})$ for $\alpha = -n\delta, n > 0$ with matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+d & 0 \\ 0 & (1+d)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

as above. But a basis of $\mathfrak{g}_{-n\delta, \mathbb{Z}}$ is

$$h_n = \begin{pmatrix} u^{-n} & 0 \\ 0 & -u^{-n} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The expression $X_{-n\delta}(h_n \otimes \lambda)$ of § 2.2.3, § 2.2.4 is actually written $[exp](\lambda h_n)$ in [35, 2.12] and is equal to $\begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & v_2 \end{pmatrix}$ with $v_1 = 1 + \lambda u^{-n} + \lambda^2 u^{-2n} + \dots$ and $v_2 = v_1^{-1} = 1 - \lambda u^{-n}$. Moreover such an element is in $U_{C_\infty}^{ma-}$ if, and only if, $\lambda \in \mathcal{O}_\ominus$ (as $f_{C_\infty}(-n\delta) = 0$). Now an easy induction proves that any element in $1 + u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_\ominus[[u^{-1}]]$ may be written as an infinite product of terms of the shape $1 - \lambda u^{-n}$ with $\lambda \in \mathcal{O}_\ominus$ and $n > 0$. So we get the equality $U_{C_\infty}^{ma-} = H$.

Now the last assertions of the lemma are easy consequences of the definitions and Lemma 6.8. □

6.5. An element in $G_{twin}^{loop} \setminus I_\infty NK$. Let $g = x_{-\aleph}(\varpi u^{-1})x_{\aleph}(\varpi^{-1}u^{-1}) \in G^{loop}$. We have

$$g = x_{\aleph} \left(\frac{\varpi^{-1}u^{-1}}{1+u^{-2}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1+u^{-2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 1+u^{-2} \end{pmatrix} x_{-\aleph} \left(\frac{\varpi u^{-1}}{1+u^{-2}} \right) = \bar{i}\bar{k}, \tag{6.2}$$

where

$$\bar{i} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1+u^{-2}} & \varpi^{-1}u^{-1} \\ 0 & 1+u^{-2} \end{pmatrix} \in \overline{I_\infty^{loop}} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{k} = x_{-\aleph} \left(\frac{\varpi u^{-1}}{1+u^{-2}} \right) \in \overline{K^{loop}}.$$

Therefore $g \in \overline{I_\infty^{loop} K^{loop}}$.

Actually $g.0_\oplus \neq 0_\oplus$ (as the first factor in g fixes 0_\oplus and the second one does not fix it). But $\delta_\oplus(g.0_\oplus) = \delta_\oplus(0_\oplus)$ by Lemma 6.6. So neither $g.0_\oplus \geq 0_\oplus$ nor $g.0_\oplus \leq 0_\oplus$, i.e. $g \notin G_\oplus^+ \cup G_\oplus^-$.

Lemma 6.14. *The element g does not belong to $I_\infty^{loop} K^{loop}$.*

Proof. Suppose $g = ik$, with $i \in I_\infty^{loop} \subset \overline{I_\infty^{loop}}$ and $k \in K^{loop} \subset \overline{K^{loop}}$. Set $h = i^{-1}\bar{i} = k\bar{k}^{-1} \in \overline{K^{loop}} \cap \overline{I_\infty^{loop}}$. Therefore $\bar{i}h^{-1} = i$. Write $i = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ and $h^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, with $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]]$ and $A, B, C, D \in \varpi^{-1}\mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}] + \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}]$. We have

$$\frac{a}{1+u^{-2}} + \varpi^{-1}u^{-1}c = A, \frac{b}{1+u^{-2}} + \varpi^{-1}u^{-1}d = B, (1+u^{-2})c = C, (1+u^{-2})d = D.$$

Therefore $\tilde{a} := \frac{a}{1+u^{-2}} \in \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}]$ and $\tilde{b} := \frac{b}{1+u^{-2}} \in \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}]$. We have $\varpi^{-1}u^{-1}c \in \mathbb{k}[\varpi^{-1}][u, u^{-1}]$ and thus $c \in \mathbb{k}[u, u^{-1}]$. Moreover $(1+u^{-2})c \in \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}]$ and thus $c \in \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}]$. Similarly, $d \in \mathbb{k}[u^{-1}]$. As $\det(i) = 1$, we have $ad - bc = (1+u^{-2})(\tilde{a}d - \tilde{b}c) = 1$ and thus $1+u^{-2}$ is invertible in $\mathbb{k}[u^{-1}]$: we reach a contradiction. Consequently $g \notin \overline{I_\infty^{loop} K^{loop}}$. □

It is easy to check that $N^{loop} K^{loop} = T^{loop} K^{loop}$ and $N^{loop} \overline{K^{loop}} = T^{loop} \overline{K^{loop}}$, where

$$T^{loop} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & y^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid y \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)^* \right\} = G^{loop} \cap T.$$

Lemma 6.15. *Let $t, t' \in T^{loop}$ be such that $\overline{I_\infty^{loop}} t \overline{K^{loop}} \cap \overline{I_\infty^{loop}} t' \overline{K^{loop}} \neq \emptyset$. Then $t \overline{K^{loop}} = t' \overline{K^{loop}}$.*

Proof. There exists $(i, k) \in \overline{I_\infty} \times \overline{K^{loop}}$ such that $itk = t'$, or equivalently, $t'^{-1}it = k^{-1}$. Write

$$t = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad t' = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma' & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma'^{-1} \end{pmatrix},$$

with $\gamma, \gamma' \in \mathbb{k}(\varpi)$. Write $i = (a_{m,n})_{m,n \in \{1,2\}}$, with $a_{m,n} \in \mathbb{k}((u^{-1}))[\varpi^{-1}]$ and $k = (b_{m,n})_{m,n \in \{1,2\}}$, with $b_{m,n} \in \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}((u^{-1}))$, for $m, n \in \{1, 2\}$.

Suppose $a_{1,1}a_{2,2} = 0$. Then $a_{1,2}a_{2,1} = -1$. Let $\tilde{a}_{1,2} \in u^{-1}\mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]]$ and $\tilde{a}_{2,1} \in \mathbb{k}[[u^{-1}]]$ be the evaluations of $a_{1,2}$ and $a_{2,1}$ at $\varpi^{-1} = 0$. Then $\tilde{a}_{1,2}\tilde{a}_{2,1} = -1$: we reach a contradiction. Therefore $a_{1,1}a_{2,2} \neq 0$.

We have $a_{1,1}\gamma'^{-1}\gamma = b_{1,1}$ and $a_{2,2}(\gamma'^{-1}\gamma)^{-1} = b_{2,2}$. For $m, n \in \{1, 2\}$, write $a_{m,n} = \sum_{p \leq 0} a_{m,n,p}(u)\varpi^p$, where $a_{m,n,p}(u) \in \mathbb{k}((u^{-1}))$, for all m, n, p . Let $\ell = \omega_{\oplus}(\gamma'^{-1}\gamma)$ and set $f(\varpi) = \varpi^{-\ell}\gamma'^{-1}\gamma$. Then

$$a_{1,1}\gamma'^{-1}\gamma = \sum_{p \leq 0} a_{1,1,p}(u)f(\varpi)\varpi^{\ell+p} \in \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}((u^{-1}))$$

and thus $\ell \geq 0$. As $a_{2,2}\gamma'\gamma^{-1} \in \mathcal{O}_{\oplus}((u^{-1}))$, we also have $\ell \leq 0$. Therefore $\ell = 0$. This proves that $t'^{-1}t \in K^{\text{loop}}$. □

We deduce that $g \notin I_{\infty}NK$. Indeed, otherwise, by Lemma 6.10 we could write $g = itk$, with $i \in I_{\infty}^{\text{loop}}$, $t \in T^{\text{loop}}$ and $k \in K^{\text{loop}}$. Then $t \in T \cap K^{\text{loop}} \subset K^{\text{loop}}$ and thus $g \in I_{\infty}^{\text{loop}}K^{\text{loop}}$, which would contradict Lemma 6.14. In particular, $G_{\text{twin}} \not\supseteq I_{\infty}NK$.

6.6. Examples of Hecke paths. The C_{∞} -Hecke paths, which are the image by the retraction $\rho_{C_{\infty}}$ of C_{∞} -friendly line segments have very different behaviors than the Hecke paths considered in the references [6, 15] or [8]. We study here some examples of such C_{∞} -Hecke paths in the case of affine SL_2 .

In the context of Lemma 6.1, we consider the action of the subgroup G^{loop} of G on \mathcal{S}_{\oplus} . We choose the parametrization of the line segment $[0 - d]$ (with $\delta(-d) = -1$ and $\aleph(-d) = 0$) in \mathbb{A} given by $\varphi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \subset \tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\oplus}$ such that $\varphi(t) = -td$ and will study C_{∞} -Hecke paths $\rho_{C_{\infty}}(g.\varphi([0, 1]))$ for some $g \in G^{\text{loop}}$. They are the images, by the map π of Lemma 6.1, of the C_{∞} -Hecke paths $\tilde{\rho}_{C_{\infty}}(\tilde{g}.\varphi([0, 1]))$, for some $\tilde{g} \in \tilde{G}$ with image g in G . We have to prove, along the way, that these retractions $\tilde{\rho}_{C_{\infty}}(\tilde{g}.\varphi([0, 1]))$ and $\rho_{C_{\infty}}(g.\varphi([0, 1]))$ are well defined; for this we shall prove some Birkhoff type decompositions of some elements in G .

These elements g are products of terms

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{k-1}u^k \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_{\aleph+k\delta+(k-1)\xi}(1) \quad \text{for } k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}.$$

So they are in $U^+ = \tilde{U}^+ \subset \tilde{G}$ and act on $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{\oplus}$. One recall that $x_{\aleph+k\delta+(k-1)\xi}(1)$ fixes $D_{1-k}^+ := \{a \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \mid \aleph(a) + k\delta(a) + (k-1) \geq 0\}$ and its analog \tilde{D}_{1-k}^+ in $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}_{\oplus}$. This half-apartment contains C_{\oplus} and is limited by M_{1-k} (line of equation $x = -ky + 1 - k$) in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} with cartesian system such that x corresponds to \aleph and y to δ . The matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi^{-k+1}u^{-k} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{fixes } D_{1-k}^- := \{a \in \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} \mid \aleph(a) + k\delta(a) + (k-1) \leq 0\}.$$

Moreover (by § 4.1.9) the element

$$x_{\aleph+k\delta+(k-1)\xi}(1)x_{-\aleph-k\delta-(k-1)\xi}(-1)x_{\aleph+k\delta+(k-1)\xi}(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^{k-1}u^k \\ -\varpi^{1-k}u^{-k} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

stabilizes \mathbb{A}_{\oplus} and its class in W is the reflexion R_{k-1} fixing M_{1-k} . We denote $t_k := \frac{k-1}{k} \in [0, 1]$, so that $\varphi(t_k) = (0, -t_k) \in M_{1-k}$.

In order to write decompositions of the elements g (written as a product) with a left term in I_∞^{loop} , we use the two following formulas in SL_2 ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a^{-1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ b & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ b(1+ab)^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1+ab & 0 \\ 0 & (1+ab)^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a(1+ab)^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Example 6.16. For $N \geq 1$, we consider $\tilde{g}_N = g_N = \prod_{k=1}^N \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3k} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and want to study the C_∞ -Hecke paths $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_N \cdot \varphi([0, 1]))$.

In Figure 6.1, we represent $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi([0, 1]))$ in blue and $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_3 \cdot \varphi([0, 1]))$ (blue and red).

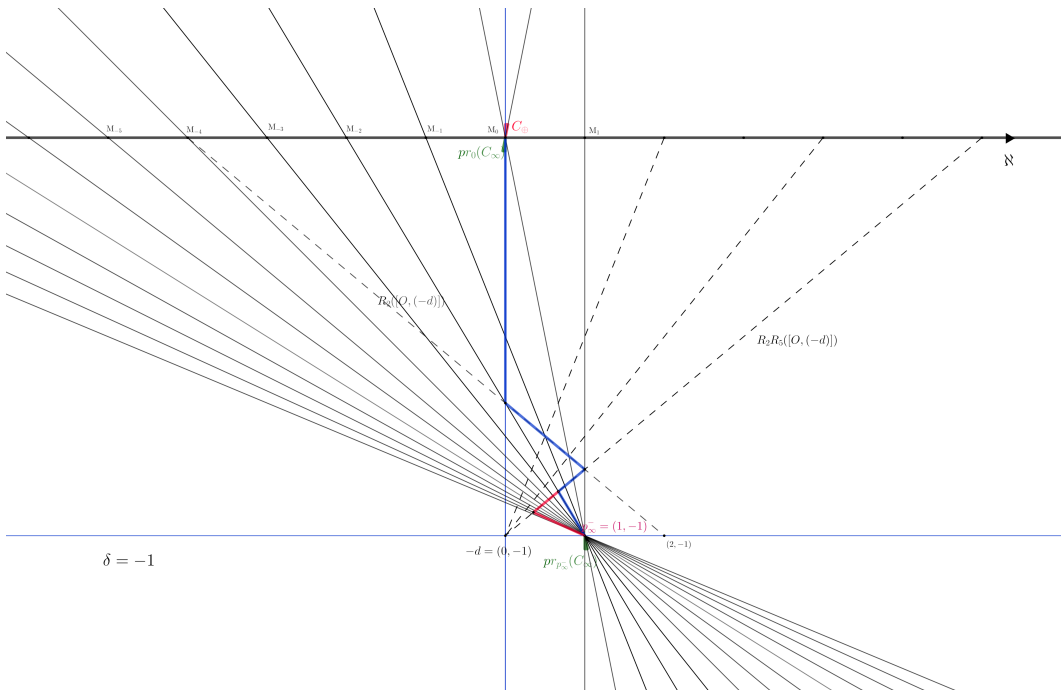


FIGURE 6.1. C_∞ -Hecke path.

For $N = 2$, we give details of the study.

The element $g_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ fixes $\varphi(t)$ for $t \in [0, t_3]$, so, for such a t , $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t))$ is well defined and equal to $\varphi(t)$. For $t \in [t_3, t_6]$, we use

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ -\varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

then as $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ \varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ fix $\varphi(t)$,

$$\rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t)) = \rho_{C_\infty} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ -\varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \varphi(t) \right) = \rho_{C_\infty} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ -\varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \varphi(t) \right)$$

(if it exists), because $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ \varpi^{-2} u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in I_\infty^{\text{loop}}$ (§ 6.4). So $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t))$ is well defined and equal to $R_2 \varphi(t)$ for $t \in [t_3, t_6]$.

For $t \geq t_6$, we can write, successively using the two formulas above,

$$\begin{aligned} g_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & 0 \\ -\varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-1} u^{-6} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & 0 \\ 1 + \varpi^{-3} u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \varpi^{-3} u^{-3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{1 + \varpi^{-3} u^{-3}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\varpi^2 u^3}{1 + \varpi^{-3} u^{-3}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-1} u^{-6} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Using $\frac{1}{1 + \varpi^{-3} u^{-3}} = 1 + \sum_{k \geq 1} (-1)^k \varpi^{-3k} u^{-3k}$, we find the existence of a matrix

$$A \in \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]]) \cap \begin{pmatrix} 1 + u^{-1} \mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] & u^{-1} \mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] \\ \mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] & 1 + u^{-1} \mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] \end{pmatrix}$$

such that

$$g_2 = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varpi^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ -\varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-1} u^{-6} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By the Lemma 6.13 (§ 6.4), $A \in U_{C_\infty}^{ma-} \subset \overline{G^{\text{loop}}}$ and more precisely, as g_2 and the other matrices are in $G^{\text{loop}} \cap G_{\text{twin}}$ so is A , and we have $A \in I_\infty^{\text{loop}}$. Moreover $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varpi^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_{\aleph-\xi}(1)$ fixes $C_\infty \subset \{a \in \mathbb{A}_\Theta \mid \aleph(a) + 1 \geq 0\}$, so $A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varpi^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in I_\infty^{\text{loop}}$.

For $t \geq t_6$, we obtain

$$\rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t)) = \rho_{C_\infty} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ -\varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-1} u^{-6} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \varphi(t) \right)$$

(if it exists). But, we know that $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ fixes $\varphi(t)$ and $\begin{pmatrix} \varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ -\varpi^{-5} u^{-6} & \varpi^5 u^6 \end{pmatrix}$ acts by R_5 on it.

As $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ fixes D_{-2}^+ , for $t \geq t_6$, this matrix acts on $R_5(\varphi(t))$ if and only if $t < t_9$ (as $R_5(\varphi(t)) \in D_{-2}^+ \iff \varphi(t) \in D_{-8}$).

So, for $t \in [t_6, t_9]$ by the same argument as in $[t_3, t_6]$, $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t))$ is well defined and equal to $R_2 R_5(\varphi(t))$. Moreover for $t \in [t_9, 1]$, $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t)) = R_5(\varphi(t))$. We see that the Hecke path has exactly 3 folding points $p_3 = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t_3)) = \varphi(t_3)$, $p_6 = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t_6)) = R_2 \varphi(t_6)$, $p_9 = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t_9)) = R_2 R_5 \varphi(t_9)$, with the line segment $[p_6 p_9] \subset R_2 R_5(\varphi([0, 1])) = [(6, 0)(-d)]$ and his last direction is that of $R_5 \varphi([t_9, 1])$.

For all $N \geq 2$, $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_N \cdot \varphi([0, 1]))$ is well defined and has 3 folding points

$$p_3 = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t_3)), p_6 = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t_6)), p_{3(N+1)} = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_N \cdot \varphi(t_{3(N+1)})),$$

moreover $[p_6 p_{3(N+1)}]$ is equal to $R_2 R_5(\varphi([t_6, t_{3(N+1)}]))$ and is included in the line segment $[(6, 0)(-d)]$ and the last direction of the Hecke path is that of the segment germ $R_{3N-1} \varphi((0, 1])$.

This result is easily obtained by induction. As $g_{N+1} = g_N \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3(N+1)} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, for $t \leq t_{3(N+1)}$ we have $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_{N+1} \cdot \varphi(t)) = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_N \cdot \varphi(t))$ and so the Hecke path has the two folding points $p_3 = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t_3))$, $p_6 = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_2 \cdot \varphi(t_6))$. We will see that we have no folding at $p_{3(N+1)}$. For the calculus, we remark that if $u_k = \varpi^{-1} q^k$ and $S_N = \sum_{k=1}^N u_k$, then $\frac{S_N}{1 + u_{N+1}^{-1} S_N} - \varpi^{-1} q^N \in -\varpi^{-1} + q^{-1} \mathbb{k}[[q^{-1}]]$ and we will use the same method as before.

We write

$$g_{N+1} = g_N \begin{pmatrix} \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3(N+1)} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3(N+1)} \\ -\varpi(\varpi u)^{-3(N+1)} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3(N+1)} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For $t \geq t_{3(N+1)}$, we know that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3(N+1)} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ fixes } \varphi(t) \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3(N+1)} \\ -\varpi(\varpi u)^{-3(N+1)} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ acts as } R_{3N+2}.$$

We consider $q = (\varpi u)^3$ and $u_k = \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3k} = \varpi^{-1}q^k$ and see that :

$$g_N \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3(N+1)} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{(u_{N+1})^{-1}}{1+u_{N+1}^{-1}S_N} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1+u_{N+1}^{-1}S_N & 0 \\ 0 & (1+u_{N+1}^{-1}S_N)^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{S_N}{1+u_{N+1}^{-1}S_N} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

so it can be written

$$A' \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varpi^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{-1}q^N \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ with } A' \in \text{SL}_2(\mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]]) \cap \begin{pmatrix} 1+u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] & u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] \\ \mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] & 1+u^{-1}\mathcal{O}_\Theta[[u^{-1}]] \end{pmatrix}.$$

As before, we can see that $A' \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varpi^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in I_\infty^{\text{loop}}$.

By § 6.4, for $t \geq t_{3(N+1)}$,

$$\rho_{C_\infty}(g_{N+1} \cdot \varphi(t)) = \rho_{C_\infty} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3N} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} R_{3N+2}(\varphi(t)) \right)$$

(if they exist).

For t large enough, the last direction of the Hecke path is $R_{3N+2}\varphi((0, 1])$.

More precisely

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3N} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

acts on $R_{3N+2}(\varphi(t))$ iff $t \leq t_{3(N+2)}$ (because one has $R_{2+3N}(D_{-(3N-1)}^-) = D_{-(3(N+2)-1)}^+$).

But, as in the first calculus for $t \in [t_6, t_9]$, we can see that, modulo I_∞^{loop} , this matrix acts by R_{3N-1} and we have $R_{3N-1}R_{3N+2} = R_2R_5$. So $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_{N+1} \cdot \varphi([t_{3(N+1)}, t_{3(N+2)}]))$ is well defined, is equal to $R_2R_5([\varphi(t_{3(N+1)}), \varphi(t_{3(N+2)})])$ and is included in $[(6, 0) (-d)]$ so there is no more folding at $p_{3(N+1)}$ and we have the expected result. The third folding point is $p_{3(N+2)} = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_N \cdot \varphi(t_{3(N+2)}))$.

Example 6.17. In the second example, we want to consider a new family (g'_N) , with a growing number of folding points. In the analog of previous calculus, we want that the action of the “new term” doesn’t affect the previous folding points.

We consider for $N \geq 0$,

$$\tilde{g}'_N = g'_N = \prod_{k=0}^N \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3 \cdot 2^k} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G_{\text{twin}}^{\text{loop}}.$$

Let us prove that for $N \geq 1$, $\rho_{C_\infty}(g'_N \cdot \varphi([0, 1]))$ is well defined, has at least N folding points and there exists $t_{3 \cdot 2^N} \leq T_N < t_{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}}$ such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(g'_N \cdot \varphi([T_N, 1]))$ is equal to $R_{3 \cdot 2^N - 1}(\varphi([T_N, 1]))$.

As $g'_1 = g_2$, we know the corresponding Hecke path and the result is true in this case (with $t_9 = T_1 < t_{12}$).

We consider for $N \geq 1$,

$$g'_{N+1} = g'_N \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

As before, if it is well defined, we have

$$\rho_{C_\infty}(g_{N+1} \cdot \varphi([0, t_{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}}])) = \rho_{C_\infty}(g_N \cdot \varphi([0, t_{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}}])).$$

We know by induction that $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_{N+1} \cdot \varphi([T_N, t_{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}}])) = R_{3 \cdot 2^N - 1}(\varphi([T_N, t_{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}}]))$ is well defined and that this Hecke path has at least N folding points there. As previously, we write

$$g'_{N+1} = g'_N \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} \\ -\varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

in order to study the case $t > t_{3,2^{N+1}}$. With $D = 1 + \sum_{k=0}^N (\varpi u)^{3 \cdot (2^k - 2^{N+1})}$ and $a = \varpi^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^N (\varpi u)^{3 \cdot 2^k}$, we obtain

$$g'_{N+1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}}} & 0 \\ \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 1/D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{a}{D} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} \\ -\varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

In fact $\frac{a}{D} - a + \varpi^{-1} \in \mathcal{O}_\oplus[[u^{-1}]]$, and so (as before) modulo I_∞^{loop} , g'_{N+1} acts on $\varphi([t_{3,2^{N+1}}, 1])$ as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} \\ -\varpi(\varpi u)^{-3 \cdot 2^{N+1}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so as $g'_N \circ R_{3,2^{N+1}-1}$.

But for $k \leq N$, $R_{3,2^{N+1}-1}(\varphi(t)) \in M_{1-3,2^k}$ if, and only if, $\varphi(t) \in M_{1-3,(2^{N+2}-2^k)}$ (i.e. $t = t_{3,(2^{N+2}-2^k)}$). So g'_N really acts on $R_{3,2^{N+1}-1}(\varphi(t))$ only for some t in $[t_{3,(2^{N+1})}, t_{3,(2^{N+2}-2^N)}]$ and there exists T_{N+1} with $t_{3,2^{N+1}} \leq T_{N+1} < t_{3,2^{N+2}}$ such that $\rho_{C_\infty}(g'_{N+1} \cdot \varphi([T_{N+1}, 1])) = R_{3,2^{N+1}-1}(\varphi([T_{N+1}, 1]))$ and, as the direction of this line segment is different from that of $R_{3,2^N-1}(\varphi([T_N, t_{3,2^{N+1}}]))$, there is a new folding point for this Hecke path, so at least $N + 1$ folding points.

Remark 6.18. It is interesting to look at what happens in these two examples when N goes to infinity. Actually $\cup_{N=1}^\infty \tilde{g}_N \varphi([0, t_{3N}])$ (resp. $\cup_{N=1}^\infty \tilde{g}'_N \varphi([0, t_{3,2^N}])$) is an increasing union of C_∞ -friendly line segments in \mathcal{S} ; and the same is true for their images in \mathcal{S} . So we get a half-open C_∞ -friendly line segment written (abstractly) $\tilde{g}_\infty \varphi([0, 1])$ (resp. $\tilde{g}'_\infty \varphi([0, 1])$) in \mathcal{S} and $g_\infty \varphi([0, 1])$ (resp. $g'_\infty \varphi([0, 1])$) in \mathcal{S} . A question is whether they can reasonably be completed in a “closed” C_∞ -friendly line segment. The answer is clearly no for example 2: this would lead to a C_∞ -Hecke path $\rho_{C_\infty}(\tilde{g}'_\infty \varphi([0, 1]))$ with an infinite number of folding points, contrary to Definition 5.9 and Proposition 5.18.

On the contrary we can make further calculations for example 1, as $\tilde{g}_N = g_N$ is associated to a geometric sequence in $\mathbb{k}[\varpi, \varpi^{-1}, u, u^{-1}]$. We consider the matrix

$$g_N^1 = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{k=0}^N (\varpi u)^{3k} & \varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3N+3} \\ -\varpi & 1 - (\varpi u)^3 \end{pmatrix} \in G_{pol}^{\text{loop}}.$$

So

$$g_\infty^1 := g_N g_N^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ -\varpi & 1 - (\varpi u)^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\varpi & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is a fixed element in G_{twin}^{loop} (so $g_N^1 \in G_{twin}^{\text{loop}}$). By the following Lemma g_N^1 fixes $\varphi([0, t_{3N+3}])$. So $g_\infty \varphi([0, 1])$ is actually equal to $g_\infty^1 \varphi([0, 1])$. We shall prove now that $g_\infty^1 \varphi([0, 1])$ is a C_∞ -friendly line segment. The associated C_∞ -Hecke path is then clearly $[0 p_3] \cup [p_3 p_6] \cup [p_6 -d]$.

We have to find a good Birkhoff decomposition for g_∞^1 . The details of the calculations are similar to those above and left to the reader.

$$\begin{aligned} g_\infty^1 &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi^{-2}u^{-3}} & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\varpi & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ -\varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi^{-2}u^{-3}} & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi^{-2}u^{-3}} & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varpi^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ -\varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ -\varpi^{-5}u^{-6} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi^{-5}u^{-6}} & 0 \\ \varpi^{-5}u^{-6} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi^{-2}u^{-3}} & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi^{-2}u^{-3}} & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (resp. } \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varpi^{-5}u^{-6}} & 0 \\ \varpi^{-5}u^{-6} & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \text{ fixes } \varphi([t_3, 1]) \text{ (resp. } \varphi([t_6, 1])), \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^5 u^6 \\ -\varpi^{-5}u^{-6} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (resp. } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varpi^2 u^3 \\ -\varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 0 \end{pmatrix}) \end{aligned}$$

stabilizes \mathbb{A}_\oplus and induces on it R_5 (resp. R_2); moreover

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \varpi^{-2}u^{-3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varpi^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

are in I_∞^{loop} . So the last expression for g_∞^1 is a Birkhoff decomposition, telling that the pair $\{C_\infty, g_\infty^1\varphi([t_6, 1])\}$ is friendly. One can also deduce from these expressions the shape of $\rho_{C_\infty}(g_\infty^1\varphi([0, 1]))$.

Lemma 6.19. $g_N^1 \in (U_{\varphi([0, t_{3N+3}]}^{ma+} U_{-\aleph, \varphi([0, 1])}) \cap G_{\text{twin}}^{\text{loop}}$ fixes $\varphi([0, t_{3N+3}])$.

Proof. In $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{k}[\varpi][u]) \subset \mathfrak{G}^{ma}(\mathcal{K})$, one may write $g_N^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ b & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\varpi & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, with

$$c = 1 - (\varpi u)^3, a = \frac{\varpi^{-1}(\varpi u)^{3N+3}}{1 - (\varpi u)^3} = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \varpi^{3N+2+3k} u^{3N+3+3k}$$

and

$$b = \frac{-\varpi}{1 - (\varpi u)^3} + \varpi = \sum_{k=1}^\infty -\varpi(\varpi u)^{3k}.$$

Now $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\varpi & 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_{-\aleph}(-\varpi) \in U_{-\aleph, \varphi([0, 1])}$ fixes $\varphi([0, 1])$. And

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ b & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \prod_{k=1}^\infty x_{-\aleph+3k\delta}(-\varpi^{3k+1}) \in U_{\varphi([0, 1])}^{ma+}$$

fixes also $\varphi([0, 1])$, as $f_{\varphi([0, 1])}(-\aleph + 3k\delta) = 3k$ (see § 2.2.4). Moreover

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \prod_{k=0}^\infty x_{\aleph+(3N+3+3k)\delta}(\varpi^{3N+2+3k}) \in U_{\varphi([0, t_{3N+3}]}^{ma+}$$

fixes $\varphi([0, t_{3N+3}])$, as $f_{\varphi([0, t])}(\aleph + (3N + 3 + 3k)\delta) = (3N + 3 + 3k)t$.

The last thing is now to prove that $\begin{pmatrix} c^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix}$ is in $U_{\varphi([0, 1])}^{ma+}$. We argue as in § 6.4 or [35, 2.12]. The matrix $h_n^+ = \begin{pmatrix} u^n & 0 \\ 0 & -u^n \end{pmatrix}$ is a basis of $\mathfrak{g}_{n\delta, \mathbb{Z}}$, hence

$$X_{n\delta}(h_n^+ \otimes \lambda) = [\text{exp}] \left(\lambda h_n^+ \right) = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & v_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

with $v_1 = 1 + \lambda u^n + \lambda^2 u^{2n} + \dots$ and $v_2 = 1 - \lambda u^n$. We take $n = 3, \lambda = \varpi^3$, so

$$\begin{pmatrix} c^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} = [\text{exp}] \left(\varpi^3 h_3^+ \right).$$

But $f_{\varphi([0, 1])}(3\delta) = \inf\{r \in \mathbb{Z} \mid (3\delta)(\varphi([0, 1])) + r \geq 0\} = 3$, so $\begin{pmatrix} c^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \in U_{\varphi([0, 1])}^{ma+}$. □

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