

Restricted Roots and Weyl Dimension Formula for Spherical Varieties

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Rank $r > 1$: $(\mathbf{SL}_{p+q}, \mathbf{SL}_p \times \mathbf{SL}_q)$ ($p \neq q$), $(\mathbf{SL}_{2n+1}, \mathbf{Sp}_{2n})$,

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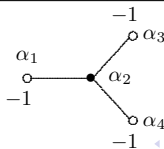
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If $\lambda = k_1\mu_1 + k_2\mu_2 + k_3\mu_3$ then

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