

REALIZATION OF AUTOMORPHISMS σ OF ORDER 3 AND G^σ OF COMPACT EXCEPTIONAL LIE GROUPS G , II, $G = E_7$

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Abstract. For the simply connected compact exceptional Lie group E_7 , we realize all of automorphisms σ of order 3 and determine the group structures the fixed subgroups $(E_7)^\sigma$ of E_7 .

Introduction

J.A. Wolf and A. Gray [3] classified automorphisms σ of order 3 and determined the fixed subgroups G^σ of connected compact simple Lie groups G of centerfree. In the previous paper [5], we found these automorphisms σ and realized G^σ for simply connected compact exceptional Lie groups G of type G_2, F_4 and E_6 . In this paper, we consider the case of type E_7 . Our result is the second column. The first column is the chart of involutive automorphisms and the fixed subgroups.

ι $(U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbf{Z}_3$ $\lambda\gamma$ $SU(8)/\mathbf{Z}_2$ σ $(SU(2) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$	ι_3 $(U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbf{Z}_3$ λ_3 $S(U(1) \times U(7))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ σ_3 $(SU(2) \times Spin(2) \times Spin(10))/\mathbf{Z}_4$ σ_3' $(U(1) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ w $(SU(3) \times SU(6))/\mathbf{Z}_3$
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0. Preliminaries

Let \mathfrak{C} be the division Cayley algebra and let $\mathfrak{J} = \{X \in M(3, \mathfrak{C}) \mid X^* = X\}$ be the exceptional Jordan algebra with the Jordan multiplication $X \circ Y$, the inner product (X, Y) and the Freudenthal multiplication $X \times Y$ defined by

$$X \circ Y = \frac{1}{2}(XY + YX), \quad (X, Y) = \text{tr}(X \circ Y),$$

$$X \times Y = \frac{1}{2}(2X \circ Y - \text{tr}(X)Y - \text{tr}(Y)X + (\text{tr}(X)\text{tr}(Y) - (X, Y))E)$$

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(E is the 3×3 unit matrix), respectively. Let \mathfrak{J}^C be the complexification of \mathfrak{J} and in \mathfrak{J}^C we define the Hermitian inner product $\langle X, Y \rangle$ by $\langle X, Y \rangle = (\tau X, Y)$. (The complex conjugation in $C = \mathbf{R}^C, \mathbf{C}^C, \mathfrak{J}^C$ or \mathfrak{P}^C (see below) is always denoted by τ). The simply connected compact Lie group E_6 is defined by

$$E_6 = \{ \alpha \in \text{Iso}_C(\mathfrak{J}^C)P, | \tau\alpha\tau(X \times Y) = \alpha X \times \alpha Y, \langle \alpha X, \alpha Y \rangle = \langle X, Y \rangle \}$$

and the Lie algebra \mathfrak{e}_6 of the group E_6 is given by

$$\mathfrak{e}_6 = \left\{ \phi \in \text{Hom}_C(\mathfrak{J}^C, \mathfrak{J}^C) \mid \begin{array}{l} \tau\phi\tau(X \times Y) = \phi X \times Y + X \times \phi Y, \\ \langle \phi X, Y \rangle + \langle X, \phi Y \rangle = 0 \end{array} \right\}.$$

The C -vector space \mathfrak{P}^C is defined by

$$\mathfrak{P}^C = \mathfrak{J}^C \oplus \mathfrak{J}^C \oplus C \oplus C.$$

For $\phi \in \mathfrak{e}_6^C, A, B \in \mathfrak{J}^C$ and $\nu \in C$, we define a C -linear mapping $\Phi(\phi, A, B, \nu)$ of \mathfrak{P}^C by

$$\Phi(\phi, A, B, \nu) \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi X - \frac{1}{3}\nu X + 2B \times Y + \eta A \\ 2A \times X - {}^t\phi Y + \frac{1}{3}\nu Y + \xi B \\ (A, Y) + \nu\xi \\ (B, X) - \nu\eta \end{pmatrix},$$

where \mathfrak{e}_6^C is the complexification of \mathfrak{e}_6 and ${}^t\phi$ is the transposed mapping of ϕ with respect to the inner product $(X, Y) : ({}^t\phi X, Y) = (X, \phi Y), X, Y \in \mathfrak{J}^C$. For $P = (X, Y, \xi, \eta), Q = (Z, W, \zeta, \omega) \in \mathfrak{P}^C$, we define a C -linear mapping $P \times Q$ of \mathfrak{P}^C by

$$P \times Q = \Phi(\phi, A, B, \nu), \quad \begin{cases} \phi = -\frac{1}{2}(X \vee W + Z \vee Y) \\ A = -\frac{1}{4}(2Y \times W - \xi Z - \zeta X) \\ B = \frac{1}{4}(2X \times Z - \eta W - \omega Y) \\ \nu = \frac{1}{8}((X, W) + (Z, Y) - 3(\xi\omega + \zeta\eta)), \end{cases}$$

where $X \vee W \in \mathfrak{e}_6^C$ is defined by

$$X \vee W = [\tilde{X}, \tilde{W}] + (X \circ W - \frac{1}{3}(X, W)E)^\sim,$$

here $\tilde{X} : \mathfrak{J}^C \rightarrow \mathfrak{J}^C$ is defined by $\tilde{X}Z = X \circ Z, Z \in \mathfrak{J}^C$. Finally we define a Hermitian inner product $\langle P, Q \rangle$ in \mathfrak{P}^C by

$$\langle P, Q \rangle = \langle X, Z \rangle + \langle Y, W \rangle + (\tau\xi)\zeta + (\tau\eta)\omega,$$

where $P = (X, Y, \xi, \eta)$, $Q = (Z, W, \zeta, \omega)$. Now the simply connected compact Lie group E_7 is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} E_7 &= \{\alpha \in \text{Iso}_C(\mathfrak{P}^C) \mid \alpha(P \times Q)\alpha^{-1} = \alpha P \times \alpha Q, \langle \alpha P, \alpha Q \rangle = \langle P, Q \rangle\} \\ &= \{\alpha \in \text{Iso}_C(\mathfrak{P}^C) \mid \alpha(P \times Q)\alpha^{-1} = \alpha P \times \alpha Q, \tau\lambda\alpha = \alpha\tau\lambda\}, \end{aligned}$$

where λ is the C -linear transformation of \mathfrak{P}^C defined by $\lambda(X, Y, \xi, \eta) = (Y, -X, \eta, -\xi)$. The Lie algebra \mathfrak{e}_7 of the group E_7 is given by

$$\mathfrak{e}_7 = \{\Phi(\phi, A, -\tau A, \nu) \mid \phi \in \mathfrak{e}_6, A \in \mathfrak{J}^C, \nu \in i\mathbf{R}\}.$$

The group E_7 contains E_6 as a subgroup by

$$E_6 = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, 1, 0)\}.$$

1. Automorphism ι_3 of order 3 and subgroup $(U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbf{Z}_3$ of E_7

Let $U(1) = \{\theta \in C \mid (\tau\theta)\theta = 1\}$ and we define an embedding $\phi : U(1) \rightarrow E_7$ by

$$\phi(\theta)(X, Y, \xi, \eta) = (\theta^{-1}X, \theta Y, \theta^3\xi, \theta^{-3}\eta).$$

For $i \in U(1)$ and $\omega = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i \in U(1)$, let

$$\iota = \phi(i), \quad \iota_3 = \phi(\omega).$$

Then $\iota, \iota_3 \in E_7$ and $\iota^2 = -1, \iota_3^3 = 1$. Let $(E_7)^\iota = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \iota\alpha = \alpha\iota\}$.

Proposition 1.1. [7]. $(E_7)^\iota \cong (U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbf{Z}_3$, $\mathbf{Z}_3 = \{(1, 1), (\omega, \phi(\omega^2)), (\omega^2, \phi(\omega))\}$. The isomorphism is induced by the homomorphism $\varphi : U(1) \times E_6 \rightarrow (E_7)^\iota$, $\varphi(\theta, \beta) = \phi(\theta)\beta$.

We shall determine the group structure of

$$(E_7)^{\iota_3} = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \iota_3\alpha = \alpha\iota_3\}.$$

We consider C -eigenspaces $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\omega^k}$, $k = 0, 1, 2$, of \mathfrak{P}^C with respect to ι_3 :

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{P}^C)_1 &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \iota_3 P = P\} = \{(0, 0, \xi, \eta) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \xi, \eta \in C\}, \\ (\mathfrak{P}^C)_\omega &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \iota_3 P = \omega P\} = \{(0, Y, 0, 0) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid Y \in \mathfrak{J}^C\}, \\ (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\omega^2} &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \iota_3 P = \omega^2 P\} = \{(X, 0, 0, 0) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid X \in \mathfrak{J}^C\}. \end{aligned}$$

These spaces are invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\iota_3}$.

Lemma 1.2. For $\alpha \in (E_7)^{\iota_3}$, there exists $\xi \in U(1)$ such that $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, \xi, 0)$.

Proof. Since $(0, 0, 1, 0) \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_1$, we have $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_1$. Hence let $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, \xi, \eta)$ and suppose that $\eta \neq 0$. $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) \times \alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) = \alpha((0, 0, 1, 0) \times (0, 0, 1, 0))\alpha^{-1} = 0$. On the other hand, $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) \times \alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, \xi, \eta) \times (0, 0, \xi, \eta) = \Phi(0, 0, 0, -\frac{3}{4}\xi\eta)$. Hence $\xi\eta = 0$, so $\xi = 0$, that is, $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, 0, \eta)$. Since $(0, E_1, 0, 0) \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_\omega$, we have $\alpha(0, E_1, 0, 0) \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_\omega$ (E_1 is the usual notation in \mathfrak{J}^C (e.g.[6])). Hence let $\alpha(0, E_1, 0, 0) = (0, Y, 0, 0)$, $Y \neq 0$. $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) \times \alpha(0, E_1, 0, 0) = \alpha((0, 0, 1, 0) \times (0, E_1, 0, 0))\alpha^{-1} = 0$. On the other hand, $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) \times \alpha(0, E_1, 0, 0) = (0, 0, 0, \eta) \times (0, Y, 0, 0) = \Phi(0, 0, -\frac{1}{4}\eta Y, 0) \neq 0$. This is a contradiction. Therefore $\eta = 0$, that is, $\alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, \xi, 0)$. Finally, $|\xi| = 1$ follows from $|\xi|^2 = \langle (0, 0, \xi, 0), (0, 0, \xi, 0) \rangle = \langle \alpha(0, 0, 1, 0), \alpha(0, 0, 1, 0) \rangle = \langle (0, 0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0) \rangle = 1$.

From Lemma 1.2, we see that C -vector subspaces

$$\{(X, 0, 0, 0) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid X \in \mathfrak{J}^C\}, \quad \{(0, Y, 0, 0) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid Y \in \mathfrak{J}^C\}, \\ \{(0, 0, \xi, 0) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \xi \in C\}, \quad \{(0, 0, 0, \eta) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \eta \in C\}$$

of \mathfrak{P}^C are invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\iota_3}$.

Theorem 1.3. $(E_7)^{\iota_3} \cong (U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbf{Z}_3$, $\mathbf{Z}_3 = \{(1, 1), (\omega, \phi(\omega^2)), (\omega^2, \phi(\omega))\}$.

Proof. From the fact above, $\alpha \in (E_7)^{\iota_3}$ commutes with ι , that is, $(E_7)^{\iota_3} \subset (E_7)^\iota$. Conversely, $(E_7)^\iota \subset (E_7)^{\iota_3}$ is obvious, because $(E_7)^\iota = \phi(U(1))E_6$ (Proposition 1.1). Hence $(E_7)^{\iota_3} = (E_7)^\iota \cong (U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbf{Z}_3$.

2. Automorphism λ_3 of order 3 and subgroup $S(U(1) \times U(7))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ of E_7

Let $\{1, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_7\}$ be the canonical \mathbf{R} -basis of \mathfrak{C} and the field \mathbf{C}_1 of complex numbers is embedded in \mathfrak{C} as $\mathbf{C}_1 = \{x + ye_1 \mid x, y \in \mathbf{R}\}$. Now we define a C -linear isomorphism $\chi: \mathfrak{P}^C \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}(8, \mathbf{C}_1)^C = \{Q \in M(8, \mathbf{C}_1)^C \mid {}^t Q = -Q\}$ by

$$\chi(X, Y, \xi, \eta) = (k(gX - \frac{\xi}{2}E))J + e_1(k(g(\gamma Y) - \frac{\eta}{2}E))J.$$

(The definitions of k, g, γ and J are found in [7]). Now, we define a mapping $\varphi: SU(8) \rightarrow E_7$ by

$$\varphi(A)P = \chi^{-1}(A\chi(P) {}^t A), \quad P \in \mathfrak{P}^C.$$

For $A_\epsilon = \text{diag}(\epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon) \in SU(8)$, $\epsilon = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e_1$ and $A_{\omega_1} = \text{diag}(\omega_1^{-1}, \omega_1, \omega_1, \omega_1, \omega_1, \omega_1, \omega_1, \omega_1) \in SU(8)$, $\omega_1 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}e_1$, let

$$\lambda\gamma = \varphi(A_\epsilon), \quad \lambda_3 = \varphi(A_{\omega_1}).$$

Then $\lambda_\gamma, \lambda_3 \in E_7$ and $(\lambda_\gamma)^2 = -1, \lambda_3^3 = 1$. Let $(E_7)^{\lambda_\gamma} = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \lambda_\gamma \alpha = \alpha \lambda_\gamma\}$.

Proposition 2.1. [7]. $(E_7)^{\lambda_\gamma} \cong SU(8)/\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2 = \{E, -E\}$. The isomorphism is induced by the homomorphism $\varphi : SU(8) \rightarrow (E_7)^{\lambda_\gamma}$.

We shall determine the group structure of

$$(E_7)^{\lambda_3} = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \lambda_3 \alpha = \alpha \lambda_3\}.$$

The explicit form of λ_3 is given by

$$\lambda_3 \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_3^{-1}(-\frac{1}{2}X + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}Y) + \frac{3}{8}(\text{tr}(X) - \xi)E - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}(\text{tr}(Y) - \eta)E \\ \gamma_3^{-1}(-\frac{1}{2}Y - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}X) + \frac{3}{8}(\text{tr}(Y) - \eta)E + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}(\text{tr}(X) - \xi)E \\ -\frac{1}{2}\xi - \frac{3}{8}(\text{tr}(X) - \xi) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\eta + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}(\text{tr}(Y) - \eta) \\ -\frac{1}{2}\eta - \frac{3}{8}(\text{tr}(Y) - \eta) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\xi - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}(\text{tr}(X) - \xi) \end{pmatrix},$$

where γ_3 of the right side is the C -linear transformation of \mathfrak{J}^C defined by

$$\gamma_3 X = \gamma_3 \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & x_3 & \overline{x_2} \\ \overline{x_3} & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & \overline{x_1} & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & \gamma_3(x_3) & \overline{\gamma_3(x_2)} \\ \gamma_3(x_3) & \xi_2 & \gamma_3(x_1) \\ \gamma_3(x_2) & \gamma_3(x_1) & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

moreover γ_3 of the right side is the C -linear transformation of $\mathfrak{C}^C = \mathbf{H}^C \oplus \mathbf{H}^C e_4$ defined by $\gamma_3(a + be_4) = a + (\omega_1 b)e_4, \omega_1 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}e_1$. ($\mathbf{H} = \{1, e_1, e_2, e_3\}_R \subset \mathfrak{C}$ is the field of quaternion numbers).

In the following Lemma, for $S \in M(3, \mathfrak{C})$ such that $\text{tr}(S) = 0$ and $S^* = -S$, $\tilde{S} \in \mathfrak{e}_6$ is defined by $\tilde{S}X = \frac{1}{2}[S, X] = \frac{1}{2}(SX - XS), X \in \mathfrak{J}^C$ and $(\partial_4)^{\gamma_3} = ((\mathfrak{e}_6)^{\gamma_3})_{E_1, E_2, E_3}$ is $\{\delta \in \mathfrak{e}_6 \mid \gamma_3 \delta = \delta \gamma_3, \delta E_k = 0, k = 1, 2, 3\}$. ($E_k, k = 1, 2, 3$ are the usual notations in \mathfrak{J}^C (e.g. [6])).

Lemma 2.2. The Lie algebra $(\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\lambda_3}$ of the group $(E_7)^{\lambda_3}$ is given by

$$(\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\lambda_3} = \left\{ \Phi \in \mathfrak{e}_7 \mid \lambda_3 \Phi = \Phi \lambda_3 \right\} \\ = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Phi(\phi, A, -\tau A, 0) \mid \\ \phi = \delta + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & s_3 & -\overline{s_2} \\ -\overline{s_3} & 0 & s_1 \\ s_2 & -\overline{s_1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim + 2i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (e_1 b_3)e_4 & \overline{(e_1 b_2)e_4} \\ (e_1 b_3)e_4 & 0 & (e_1 b_1)e_4 \\ (e_1 b_2)e_4 & (e_1 b_1)e_4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim, \\ A = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 & a_3 + ib_3 e_4 & \overline{a_2 + ib_2 e_4} \\ a_3 + ib_3 e_4 & \mu_2 & a_1 + ib_1 e_4 \\ a_2 + ib_2 e_4 & a_1 + ib_1 e_4 & \mu_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \delta \in (\partial_4)^{\gamma_3}, \quad s_k, a_k, b_k \in \mathbf{H}, \mu_k \in \mathbf{R} \end{array} \right\}$$

In particular, the dimension of the Lie algebra $(\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\lambda_3}$ is 49.

Proof. We obtain this result from direct calculations. (Note that we have

$$\begin{aligned} ((E_6)^{\gamma_3})_{E_1, E_2, E_3} &= \{\alpha \in (E_6)^{\gamma_3} \mid \alpha E_k = E_k, k = 1, 2, 3\} \\ &\cong (U(1) \times Sp(1) \times Sp(1) \times Sp(1))/\mathbf{Z}_2, \quad \mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(1, 1, 1, 1), (-1, -1, -1, -1)\}, \end{aligned}$$

hence the dimension of $(\mathfrak{d}_4)^{\gamma_3} = ((\mathfrak{e}_6)^{\gamma_3})_{E_1, E_2, E_3}$ is 10).

Theorem 2.3. $(E_7)^{\lambda_3} \cong S(U(1) \times U(7))/\mathbf{Z}_2$, $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{E, -E\}$.

Proof. We define a homomorphism $\varphi : S(U(1) \times U(7)) \rightarrow (E_7)^{\lambda_3}$ by the restriction mapping of φ in Proposition 2.1. Obviously φ is well-defined. Since $(E_7)^{\lambda_3}$ is connected and $\dim((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\lambda_3}) = 49$ (Lemma 2.2) $= \dim(\mathfrak{s}(\mathfrak{u}(1) \oplus \mathfrak{u}(7)))$, φ is onto. $\text{Ker } \varphi = \{E, -E\}$ is easily obtained from Proposition 2.1. Thus we have the required isomorphism.

3. Automorphism σ_3 of order 3 and subgroup $(SU(2) \times Spin(2) \times Spin(10))/\mathbf{Z}_4$ of E_7

Let $\mathfrak{C} = \mathbf{H} \oplus \mathbf{H}e_4$ and the field \mathbf{C}_4 of complex numbers is embedded in \mathfrak{C} as $\mathbf{C}_4 = \{x + ye_4 \mid x, y \in \mathbf{R}\}$. Let $Spin(2) = \{a \in \mathbf{C}_4 \mid \bar{a}a = 1\} (\cong U(1))$ and we define an embedding $D : Spin(2) \rightarrow E_7$ by

$$D_a(X, Y, \xi, \eta) = (D_a X, D_a Y, \xi, \eta),$$

where D_a of the right side is the \mathbf{C} -linear transformation of $\mathfrak{J}^{\mathbf{C}}$ defined by

$$D_a X = D_a \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & x_3 & \bar{x}_2 \\ \bar{x}_3 & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & \bar{x}_1 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & x_3 \bar{a} & \bar{x}_2 a \\ a \bar{x}_3 & \xi_2 & a x_1 a \\ \bar{a} x_2 & \bar{a} x_1 \bar{a} & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For $-1 \in Spin(2)$ and $\omega_4 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}e_4 \in Spin(2)$, let

$$\sigma = D_{-1}, \quad \sigma_3 = D_{\omega_4}.$$

Then $\sigma, \sigma_3 \in E_7$ and $\sigma^2 = 1$, $\sigma_3^3 = 1$. Let $SU(2) = \{A \in M(2, \mathbf{C}) \mid (\tau^t A)A = E, \det A = 1\}$. We define an embedding $\phi : SU(2) \rightarrow E_7$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(A) &\left(\begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & x_3 & \bar{x}_2 \\ \bar{x}_3 & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & \bar{x}_1 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 & y_3 & \bar{y}_2 \\ \bar{y}_3 & \eta_2 & y_1 \\ y_2 & \bar{y}_1 & \eta_3 \end{pmatrix}, \xi, \eta \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{pmatrix} \xi_1' & x_3' & \bar{x}_2' \\ \bar{x}_3' & \xi_2' & x_1' \\ x_2' & \bar{x}_1' & \xi_3' \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1' & y_3' & \bar{y}_2' \\ \bar{y}_3' & \eta_2' & y_1' \\ y_2' & \bar{y}_1' & \eta_3' \end{pmatrix}, \xi', \eta' \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1' \\ \eta' \end{pmatrix} &= A \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1' \\ \eta_1' \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_2' \\ \xi_3' \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} \eta_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_3' \\ \xi_2' \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} \eta_3 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} x_1' \\ y_1' \end{pmatrix} &= (\tau A) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_2' \\ y_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_3' \\ y_3' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

The group $Spin(12)$ and $Spin(10)$ are defined by

$$Spin(12) = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \kappa\alpha = \alpha\kappa, \mu\alpha = \alpha\mu\},$$

where $\kappa = \Phi(-2E_1 \vee E_1, 0, 0, -1)$, $\mu = \Phi(0, E_1, E_1, 0)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} Spin(10) &= \{\alpha \in Spin(12) \mid \alpha(F_1(s), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(s), 0, 0, 0), s \in \mathcal{C}_4\} \\ &= \left\{ \alpha \in Spin(12) \mid \begin{array}{l} \alpha(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(1), 0, 0, 0), \\ \alpha(F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0) \end{array} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

($F_k(x)$, $k = 1, 2, 3$ are the usual notations in \mathfrak{J}^C (e.g. [6]) and \mathcal{C}_4^\perp is the orthogonal complement of \mathcal{C}_4 in \mathfrak{C} with respect to the inner product $(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(x\bar{y} + y\bar{x})$) which is the covering group $SO(10) = SO(V^{10})$, where

$$\begin{aligned} V^{10} &= \left\{ P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \begin{array}{l} \kappa P = P, \mu\tau\lambda P = P, \\ P \times (F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) = 0, P \times (F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi & t \\ 0 & \bar{t} & -\tau\xi \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, \tau\eta \right) \mid t \in \mathcal{C}_4^\perp, \xi, \eta \in C \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

This group $Spin(10)$ is isomorphic to the usual spinor group $Spin_1(10)$ [7] :

$$Spin_1(10) = \left\{ \alpha \in Spin(12) \mid \begin{array}{l} \alpha(0, E_1, 0, 1) = (0, E_1, 0, 1), \\ \alpha(0, -E_1, 0, 1) = (0, -E_1, 0, 1) \end{array} \right\}.$$

In fact, for $\rho = \delta(\frac{\pi}{4}e_4)\gamma(\frac{\pi}{4}) \in Spin(12) \subset E_7$, where, for $a \in \mathfrak{C}$,

$$\delta(a) = \exp \Phi(0, iF_1(a), iF_1(a), 0), \quad \gamma(a) = \exp \Phi(0, F_1(a), -F_1(a), 0)$$

[2], we have $Spin(10) = \rho^{-1}Spin_1(10)\rho$.

$$\text{Let } (E_7)^\sigma = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \sigma\alpha = \alpha\sigma\}.$$

Proposition 3.1. [7]. $(E_7)^\sigma \cong (SU(2) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$, $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(E, 1), (-E, -\sigma)\}$. The isomorphism is induced by the homomorphism $\varphi : SU(2) \times Spin(12) \rightarrow (E_7)^\sigma$, $\varphi(A, \beta) = \phi(A)\beta$.

We shall determine the group structure of

$$(E_7)^{\sigma_3} = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \sigma_3\alpha = \alpha\sigma_3\}.$$

We consider two C -vector subspaces $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3}$ and $((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3})^\perp$ of \mathfrak{P}^C :

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3} &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \sigma_3 P = P\} \\ &= \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi_2 & s \\ 0 & \bar{s} & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta_2 & t \\ 0 & \bar{t} & \eta_3 \end{pmatrix}, \xi, \eta \right) \mid \begin{array}{l} \xi_k, \eta_k, \xi, \eta \in C, \\ s, t \in (C_4^\perp)^C \end{array} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$((C_4^\perp)^C$ is the complexification of C_4^\perp)

$$\begin{aligned} ((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3})^\perp &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \langle P, P' \rangle = 0 \text{ for any } P' \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3}\} \\ &= \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_3 & \bar{x}_2 \\ \bar{x}_3 & 0 & m \\ x_2 & \bar{m} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y_3 & \bar{y}_2 \\ \bar{y}_3 & 0 & n \\ y_2 & \bar{n} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0 \right) \mid x_k, y_k \in \mathfrak{C}^C, m, n \in C_4^C \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Then $\mathfrak{P}^C = (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3} \oplus ((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3})^\perp$ and $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3}, ((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3})^\perp$ are invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$.

We define a C -vector subspace $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_0$ of \mathfrak{P}^C :

$$(\mathfrak{P}^C)_0 = \{(F_1(m), F_1(n), 0, 0) \mid m, n \in C_4^C\}.$$

Lemma 3.2. $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_0$ is invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$.

Proof. The Lie algebra $(\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\sigma_3}$ of $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\sigma_3} &= \{\Phi \in \mathfrak{e}_7 \mid \sigma_3 \Phi = \Phi \sigma_3\} \\ &= \{\Phi(\phi, A, -\tau A, \nu) \in \mathfrak{e}_7 \mid \phi \in (\mathfrak{e}_6)^{\sigma_3}, A \in (\mathfrak{J}^C)_{\sigma_3}, \nu \in i\mathbb{R}\} \end{aligned}$$

$((\mathfrak{e}_6)^{\sigma_3} = \{\phi \in \mathfrak{e}_6 \mid \sigma_3 \phi = \phi \sigma_3\}$ and $(\mathfrak{J}^C)_{\sigma_3} = \{A \in \mathfrak{J}^C \mid \sigma_3 A = A\}$). Now, for $\Phi(\phi, A, -\tau A, \nu) \in (\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\sigma_3}$ and $(F_1(m), F_1(n), 0, 0) \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_0$, we have $\Phi(\phi, A, -\tau A, \nu)(F_1(m), F_1(n), 0, 0) = (F_1(m'), F_1(n'), 0, 0) \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_0$ by direct calculations. Hence, for $\alpha \in (E_7)^{\sigma_3}$, $\alpha(F_1(m), F_1(n), 0, 0)$ has also the form of $(F_1(m''), F_1(n''), 0, 0)$, because $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$ is connected.

From Lemma 3.2, we see that two C -vector subspaces

$$\{(F_2(x_2) + F_3(x_3), F_2(y_2) + F_3(y_3), 0, 0) \mid x_k, y_k \in \mathfrak{C}^C\}, \quad (\mathfrak{P}^C)_0$$

of $((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3})^\perp$ are invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$.

Lemma 3.3. $D_a, a \in Spin(2)$ and $\delta \in Spin(10)$ commute with each other.

Proof. Since δD_a and $\tau \lambda$ commute, to show that $D_a \delta = \delta D_a$, it suffices to prove

$$D_a \delta P = \delta D_a P, \quad P = (X, 0, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0).$$

Now, $\delta D_a(E_2, 0, 0, 0) = \delta(E_2, 0, 0, 0) = (\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(t), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta) (\xi, \eta \in C, t \in C_4^\perp)$. On the other hand, $D_a \delta(E_2, 0, 0, 0) = D_a(\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(t), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta) = (\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(ata), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta) = (\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(t), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta)$. Hence we have $\delta D_a(E_2, 0, 0, 0) = D_a \delta(E_2, 0, 0, 0)$. Similarly $\delta D_a(E_3, 0, 0, 0) = D_a \delta(E_3, 0, 0, 0)$. Next,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta D_a(iE_1, 0, -i, 0) &= \delta(iE_1, 0, -i, 0) = \delta \tau \lambda(0, -iE_1, 0, i) \\ &= \tau \lambda \delta(0, -iE_1, 0, i) = \tau \lambda(\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(t), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta) \end{aligned}$$

$(\xi, \eta \in C, t \in C_4^\perp)$. On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} D_a \delta(iE_1, 0, -i, 0) &= D_a \delta \tau \lambda(0, -iE_1, 0, i) = \tau \lambda D_a \delta(0, -iE_1, 0, i) \\ &= \tau \lambda D_a(\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(t), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta) \\ &= \tau \lambda(\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(ata), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta) \\ &= \tau \lambda(\xi E_2 - \tau \xi E_3 + F_1(t), \eta E_1, 0, \tau \eta). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\delta D_a(iE_1, 0, -i, 0) = D_a \delta(iE_1, 0, -i, 0)$, that is, $\delta D_a(E_1, 0, -1, 0) = D_a \delta(E_1, 0, -1, 0)$. Similarly $\delta D_a(E_1, 0, 1, 0) = D_a \delta(E_1, 0, 1, 0)$. Thus we have

$$\delta D_a(E_1, 0, 0, 0) = D_a \delta(E_1, 0, 0, 0) \quad \text{and} \quad \delta D_a(0, 0, 1, 0) = D_a \delta(0, 0, 1, 0).$$

For $z \in \mathfrak{C}^C$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta D_a(F_1(z), 0, 0, 0) &= \delta(F_1(aza), 0, 0, 0) \\ &= \delta(F_1(a^2s + t), 0, 0, 0) \quad (z = s + t \in C_4^C \oplus (C_4^\perp)^C = \mathfrak{C}^C) \\ &= (F_1(a^2s), 0, 0, 0) + \delta(F_1(t), 0, 0, 0) \\ &= (F_1(a^2s), 0, 0, 0) + \delta(F_1(t_1 + it_2), 0, 0, 0) \quad (t_k \in C_4^\perp) \\ &= (F_1(a^2s), 0, 0, 0) + \delta(F_1(t_1), 0, 0, 0) + i\delta(F_1(t_2), 0, 0, 0) \\ &= (F_1(a^2s), 0, 0, 0) + (\xi_2 E_2 + \xi_3 E_3 + F_1(t'), \eta_1 E_1, 0, \eta) \end{aligned}$$

$(\xi_2, \xi_3, \eta_1, \eta \in C, t' \in (C_4^\perp)^C)$. On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} D_a \delta(F_1(z), 0, 0, 0) &= D_a \delta(F_1(s + t), 0, 0, 0) \\ &= D_a((F_1(s), 0, 0, 0) + \delta(F_1(t), 0, 0, 0)) \\ &= (F_1(a^2s), 0, 0, 0) + D_a(\xi_2 E_2 + \xi_3 E_3 + F_1(t'), \eta_1 E_1, 0, \eta) \\ &= (F_1(a^2s), 0, 0, 0) + (\xi_2 E_2 + \xi_3 E_3 + F_1(t'), \eta_1 E_1, 0, \eta). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta D_a(F_2(z), 0, 0, 0) &= \delta(F_2(\bar{a}z), 0, 0, 0) \\
&= \delta(((F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) \times (F_2(z), 0, 0, 0))(0, 4F_1(a), 0, 0)) \\
&= \delta((F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) \times (F_2(z), 0, 0, 0))\delta^{-1}\delta(0, 4F_1(a), 0, 0) \\
&= (\delta(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) \times \delta(F_2(z), 0, 0, 0))(0, 4F_1(a), 0, 0) \\
&= ((F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) \times (F_2(x_2) + F_3(x_3), F_2(y_2) + F_3(y_3), 0, 0))(0, 4F_1(a), 0, 0) \\
&= \Phi(-\frac{1}{2}(F_1(1) \vee F_2(y_2) + F_1(1) \vee F_3(y_3)), 0, \\
&\quad \frac{1}{4}(F_3(\bar{x}_2) + F_2(\bar{x}_3)), 0)(0, 4F_1(a), 0, 0) \\
&= (F_2(\bar{a}x_2) + F_3(x_3\bar{a}), F_2(\bar{a}y_2) + F_3(y_3\bar{a}), 0, 0) \quad (x_k, y_k \in \mathfrak{C}^C).
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
D_a\delta(F_2(z), 0, 0, 0) &= D_a(F_2(x_2) + F_3(x_3), F_2(y_2) + F_3(y_3), 0, 0) \\
&= (F_2(\bar{a}x_2) + F_3(x_3\bar{a}), F_2(\bar{a}y_2) + F_3(y_3\bar{a}), 0, 0).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we have $\delta D_a(F_k(z), 0, 0, 0) = D_a\delta(F_k(z), 0, 0, 0)$, $k = 1, 2$. Similarly $\delta D_a(F_3(z), 0, 0, 0) = D_a\delta(F_3(z), 0, 0, 0)$. Thus we have $\delta D_a P = D_a\delta P$ for any $P \in \mathfrak{P}^C$, that is, $\delta D_a = D_a\delta$.

Lemma 3.4. For $\beta \in (Spin(12))^{\sigma_3} = \{\alpha \in Spin(12) \mid \sigma_3\alpha = \alpha\sigma_3\}$, there exists $s \in \mathbf{C}_4$, $|s| = 1$ such that

$$\beta(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(s), 0, 0, 0), \quad \beta(F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(e_4s), 0, 0, 0).$$

Proof. Consider the 2 dimensional \mathbf{R} -vector space

$$\begin{aligned}
V^2 &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \kappa P = P, \mu\tau\lambda P = P, \langle P, P' \rangle = 0 \text{ for any } P' \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3}\} \\
&= \{(F_1(s), 0, 0, 0) \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid s \in \mathbf{C}_4\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\beta \in (Spin(12))^{\sigma_3}$ acts on V^2 , there exists $s \in \mathbf{C}_4$ such that $\beta(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(s), 0, 0, 0)$. Then for $\omega_4 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}e_4$. we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta(F_1(\omega_4), 0, 0, 0) &= \beta(F_1(\omega_4^2 1\omega_4^2), 0, 0, 0) = \beta\sigma_3\sigma_3(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) \\
&= \sigma_3\sigma_3\beta(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) = \sigma_3\sigma_3(F_1(s), 0, 0, 0) \\
&= (F_1(\omega_4s), 0, 0, 0) \cdots (1).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly $\beta(F_1(\bar{\omega}_4), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(\bar{\omega}_4s), 0, 0, 0) \cdots (2)$. Subtract (1)–(2), then we have $\beta(F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(e_4s), 0, 0, 0)$. The fact that $|s| = 1$ follows from $\langle \beta P, \beta P \rangle = \langle P, P \rangle$, $P = (F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) \in \mathfrak{P}^C$.

Lemma 3.5. $\phi(SU(2))$, $Spin(2)$ and $Spin(10)$ are contained in $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$.

Proof. By direct calculations $\phi(SU(2))$ is contained in $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$, and since $\sigma_3 = D_{\omega_4} \in Spin(2)$, $Spin(2)$ is contained in $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$. Next, $\delta \in Spin(10)$ satisfied $\sigma_3\delta = \delta\sigma_3$ (Lemma 3.3). Hence $Spin(10)$ is contained in $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$.

Theorem 3.6. $(E_7)^{\sigma_3} \cong (SU(2) \times Spin(2) \times Spin(10))/\mathbf{Z}_4$, $\mathbf{Z}_4 = \{(E, 1, 1), (E, -1, \sigma), (-E, e_4, \phi(-E)D_{-e_4}), (-E, -e_4, \phi(-E)D_{e_4})\}$.

Proof. We define a mapping $\varphi : SU(2) \times Spin(2) \times Spin(10) \rightarrow (E_7)^{\sigma_3}$ by

$$\varphi(A, a, \delta) = \phi(A)D_a\delta.$$

φ is well-defined from Lemma 3.5. From Proposition 3.1, $\phi(A)$, $A \in SU(2)$ and $\delta \in Spin(10) \subset Spin(12)$ commute with each other, and D_a , $a \in Spin(2)$ and $\delta \in Spin(10)$ also commute with each other from Lemma 3.3. Moreover $\phi(A)\delta = \delta\phi(A)$ by direct calculations. Hence φ is a homomorphism. We shall show that φ is onto. Since $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3}$, $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_0$ and $\{(F_2(x_2) + F_3(x_3), F_2(y_2) + F_3(y_3), 0, 0 \mid x_k, y_k \in \mathfrak{C}^C)\}$ are invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\sigma_3}$, we have $(E_7)^{\sigma_3} \subset (E_7)^\sigma$. Hence, for $\alpha \in (E_7)^{\sigma_3}$, there exist $A \in SU(2)$ and $\beta \in Spin(12)$ such that $\alpha = \phi(A)\beta$ (Proposition 3.1). From $\sigma_3\alpha = \alpha\sigma_3$, we have $\beta \in (Spin(12))^{\sigma_3}$. Hence from Lemma 3.4, there exists $s \in \mathbf{C}_4$, $|s| = 1$ such that $\beta(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(s), 0, 0, 0)$ and $\beta(F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(e_4s), 0, 0, 0)$. Choose $a \in \mathbf{C}_4$ such that $a^2 = s$ and let $\delta = D_a^{-1}\beta$, then $\delta(F_1(1), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(1), 0, 0, 0)$ and $\delta(F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0) = (F_1(e_4), 0, 0, 0)$, that is, $\delta \in Spin(10)$. Hence we have a representation $\alpha = \phi(A)D_a\delta$, $A \in SU(2)$, $a \in Spin(2)$, $\delta \in Spin(10)$. Therefore φ is onto. $\text{Ker } \varphi = \mathbf{Z}_4$ is easily obtained. Thus we have the required isomorphism.

4. Automorphism σ_3' of order 3 and subgroup $(U(1) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ of E_7

Let $U(1) = \{\theta \in \mathbf{C} \mid (\tau\theta)\theta = 1\}$ and we define an embedding $\phi : U(1) \rightarrow E_7$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\theta) & \left(\left(\begin{array}{ccc} \xi_1 & x_3 & \overline{x_2} \\ \overline{x_3} & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & \overline{x_1} & \xi_3 \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \eta_1 & y_3 & \overline{y_2} \\ \overline{y_3} & \eta_2 & y_1 \\ y_2 & \overline{y_1} & \eta_3 \end{array} \right), \xi, \eta \right) \\ & = \left(\left(\begin{array}{ccc} \theta\xi_1 & x_3 & \overline{x_2} \\ \overline{x_3} & \theta^{-1}\xi_2 & \theta^{-1}x_1 \\ x_2 & \theta^{-1}\overline{x_1} & \theta^{-1}\xi_3 \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \theta^{-1}\eta_1 & y_3 & \overline{y_2} \\ \overline{y_3} & \theta\eta_2 & \theta y_1 \\ y_2 & \theta\overline{y_1} & \theta\eta_3 \end{array} \right), \theta\xi, \theta^{-1}\eta \right). \end{aligned}$$

ϕ is well-defined, that is, $\phi(\theta) \in E_7$. In fact, since $U(1)$ is contained in $SU(2)$ as $\left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc} \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \theta^{-1} \end{array} \right) \mid \theta \in \mathbf{C}, (\tau\theta)\theta = 1 \right\}$, this ϕ is the restriction mapping of $\phi :$

$SU(2) \rightarrow E_7$ of Section 3. For $\omega = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i \in U(1)$, let

$$\sigma_3' = \phi(\omega).$$

Then $\sigma_3' \in E_7$ and $(\sigma_3')^3 = 1$.

We shall determine the group structure of

$$(E_7)^{\sigma_3'} = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid \sigma_3' \alpha = \alpha \sigma_3'\}.$$

Lemma 4.1. $\phi(U(1))$ and $Spin(12)$ are contained in $(E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$.

Proof. Since $\sigma_3' = \phi(\omega)$, it is clear that $\phi(U(1))$ is contained in $(E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$. Next, from Proposition 3.1, $\phi(A)$, $A \in SU(2)$ and $\beta \in Spin(12)$ commute with each other. Hence $\phi(\theta)\beta = \beta\phi(\theta)$, $\theta \in U(1) \subset SU(2)$. Therefore $\sigma_3'\beta = \beta\sigma_3'$, that is, $Spin(12) \subset (E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$.

We consider two C -vector subspaces $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'}$ and $((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'})^\perp$ of \mathfrak{P}^C :

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'} &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \sigma_3' P = P\} \\ &= \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_3 & \bar{x}_2 \\ \bar{x}_3 & 0 & 0 \\ x_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y_3 & \bar{y}_2 \\ \bar{y}_3 & 0 & 0 \\ y_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0 \right) \mid x_k, y_k \in \mathfrak{C} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} ((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'})^\perp &= \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \langle P, P' \rangle = 0 \text{ for any } P' \in (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'}\} \\ &= \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ 0 & \bar{x}_1 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta_2 & y_1 \\ 0 & \bar{y}_1 & \eta_3 \end{pmatrix}, \xi, \eta \right) \mid \begin{array}{l} \xi_k, \eta_k, \xi, \eta \in \mathfrak{C}, \\ x_1, y_1 \in \mathfrak{C} \end{array} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then $\mathfrak{P}^C = (\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'} \oplus ((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'})^\perp$ and $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'}$, $((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'})^\perp$ are invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$.

Theorem 4.2. $(E_7)^{\sigma_3'} \cong (U(1) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$, $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(1, 1), (-1, -\sigma)\}$.

Proof. We define a mapping $\varphi : U(1) \times Spin(12) \rightarrow (E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$ by

$$\varphi(\theta, \beta) = \phi(\theta)\beta.$$

φ is well-defined from Lemma 4.1. Since $\phi(\theta)$, $\theta \in U(1)$ and $\beta \in Spin(12)$ commute (Lemma 4.1), φ is a homomorphism. We shall show that φ is onto. Since $(\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'}$ and $((\mathfrak{P}^C)_{\sigma_3'})^\perp$ are invariant under the action of the group $(E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$, $\alpha \in (E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$ commutes with σ , that is, $(E_7)^{\sigma_3'} \subset (E_7)^\sigma$. Hence, for $\alpha \in (E_7)^{\sigma_3'}$, there exists $A \in SU(2)$ and $\beta \in Spin(12)$ such that $\alpha = \phi(A)\beta$ (Proposition

3.1). From $\sigma_3'\alpha = \alpha\sigma_3'$, that is, $\sigma_3'\phi(A) = \phi(A)\sigma_3'$, we have $A = \begin{pmatrix} \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \theta^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$, $\theta \in U(1)$. Therefore φ is onto. $\text{Ker } \varphi = \mathbf{Z}_2$ is easily obtained. Thus we have the required isomorphism.

5. Automorphism w of order 3 and subgroup $(SU(3) \times SU(6))/\mathbf{Z}_3$ of E_7

A. Borel and J. de Siebenthal [1] classified the maximal subgroups of maximal rank of compact simple Lie groups G and showed that the group E_7 has a maximal subgroup of rank 7 which is the fixed subgroup of an automorphism of E_7 of order 3 and whose type is $A_2 \oplus A_5$. In the previous paper [4], we realized this group. The result is as follows. We define a C -linear transformation w of \mathfrak{P}^C by

$$w(X, Y, \xi, \eta) = (wX, wY, \xi, \eta),$$

here w of the right side in the C -linear transformation of \mathfrak{J}^C defined by

$$wX = w \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & x_3 & \overline{x_2} \\ \overline{x_3} & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & \overline{x_1} & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & w(x_3) & \overline{w(x_2)} \\ \frac{w(x_3)}{w(x_3)} & \xi_2 & w(x_1) \\ w(x_2) & \frac{w(x_1)}{w(x_1)} & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

moreover w of the right side is the C -linear transformation of $\mathfrak{C}^C = \mathbf{C}_4^C \oplus (\mathbf{C}_4^3)^C$ [5] defined by $w(a + \mathbf{m}) = a + \omega_4 \mathbf{m}$ ($\omega_4 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}e_4$). Then $w \in E_7$ and $w^3 = 1$.

Let $(E_7)^w = \{\alpha \in E_7 \mid w\alpha = \alpha w\}$.

Theorem 5.1. [4]. $(E_7)^w \cong (SU(3) \times SU(6))/\mathbf{Z}_3$, $\mathbf{Z}_3 = \{(E, E), (\omega_4 E, \omega_4 E), (\omega_4^2 E, \omega_4^2 E)\}$.

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