

# FIXED POINTS SUBGROUPS BY TWO INVOLUTIVE AUTOMORPHISMS $\sigma, \gamma$ OF COMPACT EXCEPTIONAL LIE GROUPS $F_4, E_6$ AND $E_7$

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## Introduction

For simply connected compact exceptional Lie groups  $G = F_4, E_6$  and  $E_7$ , we consider two involutions  $\sigma, \gamma$  and determine the group structure of subgroups  $G^{\sigma, \gamma}$  of  $G$  which are the intersection  $G^\sigma \cap G^\gamma$  of the fixed points subgroups of  $G^\sigma$  and  $G^\gamma$ . The motivation is as follows. In [1], we determine the group structure of  $(F_4)^{\sigma, \sigma'}$ ,  $(E_6)^{\sigma, \sigma'}$  and  $(E_7)^{\sigma, \sigma'}$ , and in [2], we also determine the group structure of  $(G_2)^{\gamma, \gamma'}$ ,  $(F_4)^{\gamma, \gamma'}$  and  $(E_6)^{\gamma, \gamma'}$ . So, in this paper, we try to determine the type of groups  $(F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ ,  $(E_6)^{\sigma, \gamma}$  and  $(E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ . Our results are the following second columns. The first columns are already known in [3], [4] or [5] and these play an important role to obtain our results. In Table 1, the results of the group structure of  $G^{\sigma, \gamma}$  are obtained by the result of  $G^\gamma$  and in Table 2, ones are obtained by the result of  $G^\sigma$ . In this paper, we show the proof of the results of the first and the second line of Table 1 and the third line of Table 2.

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$$(E_8)^{\sigma, \gamma} \cong (\text{Spin}(4) \times \text{Spin}(12))/(\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2).$$

REMARK. In  $E_7$ , since  $\gamma$  is conjugate to  $-\sigma$ , we have  $(E_7)^\gamma \cong (E_7)^\sigma$ . (In detail, see [4].) Note that the results of Table 1 and Table 2 are the same as a set, however they are different as realizations.

Table 1

$G$	$G^\gamma$	$G^{\sigma,\gamma}$
$F_4$	$(Sp(1) \times Sp(3))/\mathbf{Z}_2$	$(Sp(1) \times Sp(1) \times Sp(2))/\mathbf{Z}_2$
$E_6$	$(Sp(1) \times SU(6))/\mathbf{Z}_2$	$(Sp(1) \times S(U(2) \times U(4)))/\mathbf{Z}_2$
$E_7$	$(SU(2) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$	$(SU(2) \times Spin(4) \times Spin(8))/(\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2)$

Table 2

$G$	$G^\sigma$	$G^{\sigma,\gamma}$
$F_4$	$Spin(9)$	$(Spin(4) \times Spin(5))/\mathbf{Z}_2$
$E_6$	$(U(1) \times Spin(10))/\mathbf{Z}_4$	$(U(1) \times Spin(4) \times Spin(6))/\mathbf{Z}_2$
$E_7$	$(SU(2) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$	$(SU(2) \times Spin(4) \times Spin(8))/(\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2)$

### Notation

- (1) For a group  $G$  and an element  $s$  of  $G$ , we denote  $\{g \in G \mid sg = gs\}$  by  $G^s$ .
- (2) For a transformation group  $G$  of a space  $M$ , the isotropy subgroup of  $G$  at  $m_1, \dots, m_k \in M$  is denoted by  $G_{m_1, \dots, m_k} = \{g \in G \mid gm_1 = m_1, \dots, gm_k = m_k\}$ .
- (3) For a  $\mathbf{R}$ -vector space  $V$ , its complexification  $\{u + iv \mid u, v \in V\}$  is denoted by  $V^C$ . The complex conjugation in  $V^C$  is denoted by  $\tau : \tau(u + iv) = u - iv$ . In particular, the complexification of  $\mathbf{R}$  is briefly denoted by  $C : \mathbf{R}^C = C$ .
- (4) For a Lie group  $G$ , the Lie algebra of  $G$  is denoted by the corresponding German small letter  $\mathfrak{g}$ . For example,  $\mathfrak{so}(n)$  is the Lie algebra of the group  $SO(n)$ .
- (5) Although we will give all definitions used in the following Sections, if in case of insufficiency, refer to [3], [4] or [5].

### 1. Group $F_4$

We use the same notation as in [1], [2] or [5] (however, some will be rewritten). For example, the Cayley algebra  $\mathfrak{C} = \mathbf{H} \oplus \mathbf{H}e_4$ , the exceptional Jordan algebra  $\mathfrak{J} = \{X \in M(3, \mathfrak{C}) \mid X^* = X\}$ , the Jordan multiplication  $X \circ Y$ , the inner product  $(X, Y)$  and the elements  $E_1, E_2, E_3 \in \mathfrak{J}$ , the group  $F_4 = \{\alpha \in \text{Iso}_{\mathbf{R}}(\mathfrak{J}) \mid \alpha(X \circ Y) = \alpha X \circ \alpha Y\}$ .

We define  $\mathbf{R}$ -linear transformations  $\sigma$  and  $\gamma$  of  $\mathfrak{J}$  by

$$\sigma X = \sigma \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & x_3 & \bar{x}_2 \\ \bar{x}_3 & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & \bar{x}_1 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & -x_3 & -\bar{x}_2 \\ -\bar{x}_3 & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ -x_2 & \bar{x}_1 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma X = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & \gamma x_3 & \overline{\gamma x_2} \\ \overline{\gamma x_3} & \xi_2 & \gamma x_1 \\ \gamma x_2 & \overline{\gamma x_1} & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

respectively, where  $\gamma x_k = \gamma(m_k + a_k e_4) = m_k - a_k e_4$ ,  $x_k = m_k + a_k e_4 \in \mathbf{H} \oplus \mathbf{H}e_4 = \mathfrak{C}$ . Then,  $\sigma, \gamma \in F_4$  and  $\sigma^2 = \gamma^2 = 1$ .  $\sigma$  and  $\gamma$  are commutative. From  $\sigma\gamma = \gamma\sigma$ , we have

$$(F_4)^\sigma \cap (F_4)^\gamma = ((F_4)^\sigma)^\gamma = ((F_4)^\gamma)^\sigma.$$

Hence, this group will be denoted briefly by  $(F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ .

**PROPOSITION 1.1.**  $(F_4)^\gamma \cong (Sp(1) \times Sp(3))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(1, E), (-1, -E)\}$ .

**PROOF.** The isomorphism is induced by the homomorphism  $\varphi : Sp(1) \times Sp(3) \rightarrow (F_4)^\gamma$ ,  $\varphi(p, A)(M + \mathbf{a}) = AMA^* + paA^*$ ,  $M + \mathbf{a} \in \mathfrak{J}(3, \mathbf{H}) \oplus \mathbf{H}^3 = \mathfrak{J}$ . (In detail, see [3], [5].)

**LEMMA 1.2.**  $\varphi : Sp(1) \times Sp(3) \rightarrow (F_4)^\gamma$  of Proposition 1.1 satisfies  $\sigma\varphi(p, A)\sigma = \varphi(p, I_1 A I_1)$ , where  $I_1 = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1)$ .

**PROOF.** From  $\sigma = \varphi(-1, I_1)$ , we have the required one.

Now, we shall determine the group structure of  $(F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma} = ((F_4)^\gamma)^\sigma = ((F_4)^\sigma)^\gamma = (F_4)^\sigma \cap (F_4)^\gamma$ .

**THEOREM 1.3.**  $(F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma} \cong (Sp(1) \times Sp(1) \times Sp(2))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(1, 1, E), (-1, -1, -E)\}$ .

**PROOF.** We define a map  $\varphi_4 : Sp(1) \times Sp(1) \times Sp(2) \rightarrow (F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma}$  by

$$\varphi_4(p, q, B)(M + \mathbf{a}) = \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} q & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & \\ 0 & & B \end{array} \right) M \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} q & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & \\ 0 & & B \end{array} \right)^* + pa \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} q & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & \\ 0 & & B \end{array} \right)^*,$$

$M + \mathbf{a} \in \mathfrak{J}(3, \mathbf{H}) \oplus \mathbf{H}^3 = \mathfrak{J}$ , as the restriction of Proposition 1.1. By Lemma 1.2,  $\varphi_4$  is well-defined and a homomorphism. We shall show that  $\varphi_4$  is onto. Let  $\alpha \in (F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ . Since  $(F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma} \subset (F_4)^\gamma$ , there exist  $p \in Sp(1)$  and  $A \in Sp(3)$  such that  $\alpha = \varphi(p, A)$  (Proposition 1.1). From  $\sigma\alpha\sigma = \alpha$ , we have  $\varphi(p, I_1 A I_1) = \varphi(p, A)$  (Lemma 1.2). Hence,

$$\begin{cases} p = p \\ I_1 A I_1 = A \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} p = -p \\ I_1 A I_1 = -A \end{cases}.$$

The latter case is impossible because  $p = 0$  is false. In the former case, from

$I_1 A I_1 = A$ , we have  $A = \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} q & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & B \\ 0 & & \end{array} \right)$ ,  $q \in Sp(1)$ ,  $B \in Sp(2)$ . Hence,  $\alpha = \varphi(q, \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} q & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & B \\ 0 & & \end{array} \right)) = \varphi_4(p, q, B)$ , that is,  $\varphi_4$  is onto. And  $\text{Ker } \varphi_4 = \{(1, 1, E), (-1, -1, -E)\} = \mathbf{Z}_2$ . Thus, we have the required isomorphism  $(Sp(1) \times Sp(1) \times Sp(2))/\mathbf{Z}_2 \cong (F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ .

## 2. Group $E_6$

We use the same notation as in [1], [2] or [5] (however, some will be rewritten). For example, the complex exceptional Jordan algebra  $\mathfrak{J}^C = \{X \in M(3, \mathfrak{C}^C) \mid X^* = X\}$ , the Freudenthal multiplication  $X \times Y$  and the Hermitian inner product  $\langle X, Y \rangle$ , the group  $E_6 = \{\alpha \in \text{Iso}_C(\mathfrak{J}^C) \mid \alpha X \times \alpha Y = \tau \alpha \tau(X \times Y), \langle \alpha X, \alpha Y \rangle = \langle X, Y \rangle\}$ , and the natural inclusion  $F_4 \subset E_6$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.1.**  $(E_6)^\gamma \cong (Sp(1) \times SU(6))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(1, E), (-1, -E)\}$ .

**PROOF.** The isomorphism is induced by the homomorphism  $\varphi : Sp(1) \times SU(6) \rightarrow (E_6)^\gamma$ ,  $\varphi(p, A)(M + \mathbf{a}) = k_J^{-1}(Ak_J(M)^t A) + pak^{-1}(A^*)$ ,  $M + \mathbf{a} \in \mathfrak{J}(3, \mathbf{H})^C \oplus (\mathbf{H}^3)^C = \mathfrak{J}^C$ . (In detail, see [3], [5].)

**LEMMA 2.2.**  $\varphi : Sp(1) \times SU(6) \rightarrow (E_6)^\gamma$  of Proposition 2.1 satisfies  $\sigma\varphi(p, A)\sigma = \varphi(p, I_2 A I_2)$ , where  $I_2 = \text{diag}(-1, -1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$ .

**PROOF.** From  $\sigma = \varphi(-1, I_2)$ , we have the required one.

Now, we shall determine the group structure of  $(E_6)^{\sigma, \gamma} = ((E_6)^\gamma)^\sigma = ((E_6)^\sigma)^\gamma = (E_6)^\sigma \cap (E_6)^\gamma$ .

**THEOREM 2.3.**  $(E_6)^{\sigma, \gamma} \cong (Sp(1) \times S(U(2) \times U(4)))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(1, E), (-1, -E)\}$ .

**PROOF.** We define a map  $\varphi_6 : Sp(1) \times S(U(2) \times U(4)) \rightarrow (E_6)^{\sigma, \gamma}$  by

$$\varphi_6(p, A)(M + \mathbf{a}) = k_J^{-1}(Ak_J(M)^t A) + pak^{-1}(A^*),$$

$M + \mathbf{a} \in \mathfrak{J}(3, \mathbf{H})^C \oplus (\mathbf{H}^3)^C = \mathfrak{J}^C$ , as the restriction of  $\varphi$  of Proposition 2.1. By Lemma 2.2,  $\varphi_6$  is well-defined and a homomorphism. We shall show that  $\varphi_6$  is

onto. Let  $\alpha \in (E_6)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ . Since  $(E_6)^{\sigma, \gamma} \subset (E_6)^\gamma$ , there exist  $p \in Sp(1)$  and  $A \in SU(6)$  such that  $\alpha = \varphi(p, A)$  (Proposition 2.1). From  $\sigma\alpha\sigma = \alpha$ , we have  $\varphi(p, I_2AI_2) = \varphi(p, A)$  (Lemma 2.2). Hence,

$$\begin{cases} p = p \\ I_2AI_2 = A \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} p = -p \\ I_2AI_2 = -A \end{cases}.$$

The latter case is impossible because  $p = 0$  is false. In the former case, we have  $A \in S(U(2) \times U(4))$ . Therefore,  $\varphi_6$  is onto.  $\text{Ker } \varphi_6 = \{(1, E), (-1, -E)\} = \mathbf{Z}_2$ . Thus, we have the required isomorphism  $(Sp(1) \times S(U(2) \times U(4)))/\mathbf{Z}_2 \cong (E_6)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ .

### 3. Group $E_7$

We use the same notation as in [1], [4] or [5] (however, some will be rewritten). For example, the Freudenthal  $C$ -vector space  $\mathfrak{P}^C = \mathfrak{J}^C \oplus \mathfrak{J}^C \oplus C \oplus C$ , the Hermitian inner product  $\langle P, Q \rangle$ , the  $C$ -linear map  $P \times Q : \mathfrak{P}^C \rightarrow \mathfrak{P}^C$  ( $P, Q \in \mathfrak{P}^C$ ), the group  $E_7 = \{\alpha \in \text{Iso}_C(\mathfrak{P}^C) \mid \alpha(X \times Y)\alpha^{-1} = \alpha P \times \alpha Q, \langle \alpha P, \alpha Q \rangle = \langle P, Q \rangle\}$ , the natural inclusion  $E_6 \subset E_7$  and elements  $\sigma, \sigma' \in F_4 \subset E_6 \subset E_7$ ,  $\lambda \in E_7$ .

We shall consider the following subgroup of  $F_4$ .

$$((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)} = \{\alpha \in (F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma} \mid \alpha F_1(h) = F_1(h) \text{ for all } h \in \mathbf{H}\}.$$

PROPOSITION 3.1.  $((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)} \cong Sp(1) \times Sp(1)$  ( $=Spin(4)$ ).

PROOF. We define a map  $\varphi : Sp(1) \times Sp(1) \rightarrow ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)}$  by

$$\varphi(p, q)(M + \mathbf{a}) = \begin{pmatrix} q & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & E \\ 0 & & \end{pmatrix} M \begin{pmatrix} q & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & E \\ 0 & & \end{pmatrix}^* + p\mathbf{a} \begin{pmatrix} q & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & E \\ 0 & & \end{pmatrix}^*,$$

as the restriction of  $\varphi_4$  of Theorem 1.3. By  $F_1(h) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbf{O}$ ,  $\varphi$  is well-defined and homomorphism. We shall show that  $\varphi$  is onto. Let  $\alpha \in ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)}$ . Since  $((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)} \subset (F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ , there exist  $p, q \in Sp(1)$  and  $B \in Sp(2)$  such that  $\alpha = \varphi_4(p, q, B)$  (Theorem 1.3). From  $\alpha F_1(h) = F_1(h)$ , we have  $B \begin{pmatrix} 0 & h \\ \bar{h} & 0 \end{pmatrix} B^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & h \\ \bar{h} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , so that

$$\alpha = \varphi_4(p, q, E) \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha = \varphi_4(p, q, -E).$$

In the former case, we have  $\alpha = \varphi_4(p, q, E) = \varphi(p, q)$ . In the latter case, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= \varphi_4(p, q, -E) = \varphi_4(-p, -q, E)\varphi_4(-1, -1, -E) \\ &= \varphi_4(-p, -q, E)1 = \varphi(-p, -q).\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\varphi$  is onto.  $\text{Ker } \varphi = \{(1, 1)\}$ . Thus, we have the required isomorphism  $Sp(1) \times Sp(1) \cong ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)}$ .

Hereafter, in  $\mathfrak{A}^C$ , we use the following notations.

$$\begin{aligned}(F_1(h), 0, 0, 0) &= \dot{F}_1(h), & (0, E_1, 0, 1) &= \tilde{E}_1, \\ (0, E_1, 0, -1) &= \tilde{E}_{-1}, & (E_2 + E_3, 0, 0, 0) &= \dot{E}_{23}.\end{aligned}$$

We shall consider a subgroup  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}}$  of  $E_7$ .

**LEMMA 3.2.** *The Lie algebra  $((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}}$  of the group  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}}$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned}&(((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}}) \\ &= \left\{ \Phi \left( \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & D'_4 \end{array} \right), 0, 0, 0 \right) \mid \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & D'_4 \end{array} \right) \in \mathfrak{so}(8), D'_4 \in \mathfrak{so}(4) \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have

$$\dim(((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}}) = 6.$$

Hereafter,  $\left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & D'_4 \end{array} \right)$  will be denoted by  $D'_4$ , and also  $\Phi(D'_4, 0, 0, 0)$  will be denoted by  $\Phi_4$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.3.**  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}} = ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)}$ .

**PROOF.** Let  $\alpha \in ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)}$ . Since  $((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)} \subset (F_4)^\sigma = (F_4)_{E_1}$  (as for  $(F_4)^\sigma = (F_4)_{E_1}$ , see [3], [5]), we see  $\alpha E_1 = E_1$ . As a result, because  $\kappa$  and  $\mu$  are defined using by  $E_1$  (see [1], [4] or [5]), we see that  $\kappa\alpha = \alpha\kappa$  and  $\mu\alpha = \alpha\mu$ . From  $\alpha E = E$  (see [3], [5]), we have  $\alpha(E_2 + E_3) = E_2 + E_3$ . Hence,  $\alpha\dot{E}_{23} = \dot{E}_{23}$ . Moreover, from  $\alpha(0, 0, 0, 1) = (0, 0, 0, 1)$  (see [4], [5]), we have  $\alpha\tilde{E}_1 = \tilde{E}_1$  and  $\alpha\tilde{E}_{-1} = \tilde{E}_{-1}$ . Obviously  $\alpha\dot{F}_1(h) = \dot{F}_1(h)$ . Thus,  $\alpha \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}})$ . Conversely, let  $\alpha \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\dot{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}})$ . From  $\alpha\tilde{E}_1 = \tilde{E}_1$  and  $\alpha\tilde{E}_{-1} = \tilde{E}_{-1}$ , we have

$\alpha(0, E_1, 0, 0) = (0, E_1, 0, 0)$  and  $\alpha(0, 0, 0, 1) = (0, 0, 0, 1)$ . Hence,  $\alpha \in ((E_6)^\gamma)_{F_1(h), E_1, E_2+E_3}$  (see [4], [5]). Thus,  $((F_4)_{E_1})^\gamma_{F_1(h)} = ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(h)}$ . Therefore, the proof of this proposition is completed.

Next, we shall consider the following subgroup of  $F_4$ .

$$((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(he_4)} = \{ \alpha \in (F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma} \mid \alpha F_1(he_4) = F_1(he_4) \text{ for all } h \in \mathbf{H} \}.$$

**PROPOSITION 3.4.**  $((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(he_4)} \cong Sp(2) (=Spin(5))$ .

**PROOF.** We define a map  $\varphi : Sp(2) \rightarrow ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(he_4)}$  by

$$\varphi(B)(M + \mathbf{a}) = \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & \\ 0 & & B \end{array} \right) M \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & \\ 0 & & B \end{array} \right)^* + \mathbf{a} \left( \begin{array}{c|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & & \\ 0 & & B \end{array} \right)^*,$$

as the restriction of  $\varphi_4$  of Theorem 1.3. Obviously  $\varphi$  is well-defined and homomorphism. We shall show that  $\varphi$  is onto. Let  $\alpha \in ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(he_4)}$ . Since  $((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(he_4)} \subset (F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ , there exist  $p, q \in Sp(1)$  and  $B \in Sp(2)$  such that  $\alpha = \varphi_4(p, q, B)$  (Theorem 1.3). From  $\alpha F_1(he_4) = F_1(he_4) (=O + (h, 0, 0))$ , we have  $ph\bar{q} = h$  ( $h \in \mathbf{H}$ ), so that

$$\alpha = \varphi_4(1, 1, B) \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha = \varphi_4(-1, -1, B).$$

In the former case, we have  $\alpha = \varphi_4(1, 1, B) = \varphi(B)$ . In the latter case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \varphi_4(-1, -1, B) = \varphi_4(1, 1, -B)\varphi_4(-1, -1, -E) \\ &= \varphi_4(1, 1, -B)1 = \varphi(-B). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\varphi$  is onto.  $\text{Ker } \varphi = \{E\}$ . Thus, we have the required isomorphism  $Sp(2) \cong ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(he_4)}$ .

Then, we have the following proposition.

**PROPOSITION 3.5.**  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}} = ((F_4)^{\sigma, \gamma})_{F_1(he_4)}$ .

**PROOF.** This proof is in the way similar to Proposition 3.3.

We shall consider the subgroup  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}$  of  $E_7$ .

**LEMMA 3.6.** *The Lie algebra  $((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}$  of the group  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned}
& (((\mathbf{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}} \\
&= \left\{ \Phi \left( \left( \begin{array}{c|c} D_4 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) + \tilde{A}_1(p) + i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & q \\ 0 & \bar{q} & -\varepsilon \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0, 0 \right) \left| \left( \begin{array}{c|c} D_4 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \in \mathfrak{so}(8), \right. \\
&\quad \left. D_4 \in \mathfrak{so}(4), \varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}, p, q \in \mathbf{H} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have

$$\dim((((\mathbf{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}}) = 15.$$

Hereafter,  $\left( \begin{array}{c|c} D_4 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$  will be denoted by  $D_4$ .

LEMMA 3.7. (1) For  $a \in \mathbf{H}$ , we define a map  $\tilde{\alpha}_1(a)$  of  $\mathfrak{J}^C$  by

$$\begin{cases} \xi'_1 = \xi_1 \\ \xi'_2 = \frac{\xi_2 - \xi_3}{2} + \frac{\xi_2 + \xi_3}{2} \cos|a| + i \frac{(a, x_1)}{|a|} \sin|a| \\ \xi'_3 = -\frac{\xi_2 - \xi_3}{2} + \frac{\xi_2 + \xi_3}{2} \cos|a| + i \frac{(a, x_1)}{|a|} \sin|a| \\ x'_1 = x_1 + i \frac{(\xi_2 + \xi_3)a}{|a|} \sin|a| - \frac{2(a, x_1)a}{|a|^2} \left( \sin \frac{|a|}{2} \right)^2 \\ x'_2 = x_2 \cos \frac{|a|}{2} + i \frac{\bar{x}_3 \bar{a}}{|a|} \sin \frac{|a|}{2} \\ x'_3 = x_3 \cos \frac{|a|}{2} + i \frac{\bar{a} x_2}{|a|} \sin \frac{|a|}{2} \end{cases}.$$

Then,  $\tilde{\alpha}_1(a) \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}}$ .

(2) For  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , we define a map  $\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(t)$  of  $\mathfrak{J}^C$  by

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(t) \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & x_3 & \bar{x}_2 \\ \bar{x}_3 & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & \bar{x}_1 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & e^{it/2} x_3 & e^{-it/2} \bar{x}_2 \\ e^{it/2} \bar{x}_3 & e^{it} \xi_2 & x_1 \\ e^{-it/2} x_2 & \bar{x}_1 & e^{-it} \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then,  $\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(t) \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}}$ .

PROOF. (1) For  $a \in \mathbf{H}$ , we have  $i\tilde{F}_1(a) \in (((\mathbf{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}}$  (Lemma 3.6). Hence,  $\tilde{\alpha}_1(a) = \exp i\tilde{F}_1(a) \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}}$ .



(2) For  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , we have  $it(E_2 - E_3) \sim \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}}$  (Lemma 3.6). Hence,  $\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(t) = \exp it(E_2 - E_3) \sim \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}}$ .

We define a 6 dimensional  $\mathbf{R}$ -vector space  $V^6$  by

$$V^6 = \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \kappa P = P, \mu\tau\lambda P = P, \gamma P = P, \langle P, \tilde{E}_1 \rangle = 0, \langle P, \tilde{E}_{-1} \rangle = 0\}$$

$$= \left\{ P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -\tau\xi \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0, 0 \right) \mid \xi \in C, h \in \mathbf{H} \right\}$$

with the norm (see [5] for the definition of  $\{, \}$ 's)

$$(P, P)_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \{ \mu P, P \} = \frac{1}{2} (\mu P, \lambda P) = (\tau\xi)\xi + \bar{h}h.$$

Then,  $S^5 = \{P \in V^6 \mid (P, P)_\mu = 1\}$  is a 5 dimensional sphere.

LEMMA 3.8.  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}} / Spin(5) \simeq S^5$ . In particular,  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}}$  is connected.

PROOF. Since  $E_7$  is commutative with  $\tau\lambda$ , the group  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}}$  acts on  $S^5$ . We shall show that this action is transitive. To show this, it is sufficient to show that any element  $P \in S^5$  can be transformed to  $(i(E_2 + E_3), 0, 0, 0) \in S^5$  under the action of  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}}$ . Now, for a given

$$P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -\tau\xi \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0, 0 \right) \in S^5,$$

choose  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  such that  $e^{it\xi} \in \mathbf{R}$ . For this  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , operate  $\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(t)$  (Lemma 3.7(2))  $\in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}}$  on  $P$ . Then, we have

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(t)P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -r \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0, 0 \right) = P_1, \quad r \in \mathbf{R}.$$

In the case of  $h \neq 0$ , operate  $\tilde{\alpha}_1(\pi h/2|h|)$  (Lemma 3.7(1))  $\in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4), \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_{-1}}$  on  $P_1$ . Then, we have

$$\tilde{\alpha}_1\left(\frac{\pi h}{2|h|}\right)P_1 = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\tau\xi' \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0, 0 \right) = P_2 \in S^5, \quad \xi' \in C.$$

Here, from  $(\tau\xi')\xi' = 1$ ,  $\xi' \in C$ , we can put  $\xi' = e^{i\theta}$ ,  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ . Operate  $\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(-\theta)$  on  $P_2$ . Then,

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(-\theta)P_2 = (E_2 - E_3, 0, 0, 0) = P_3.$$

Moreover, operate  $\tilde{\alpha}_{23}(\pi/2)$  on  $P_3$ ,

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{23}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)P_3 = (i(E_2 + E_3), 0, 0, 0) = i\dot{E}_{23}.$$

This shows the transitivity. The isotropy subgroup  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}$  at  $\dot{E}_{23}$  is  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}, \dot{E}_{23}} = Sp(2)$  (Propositions 3.4, 3.5) =  $Spin(5)$ . Therefore, we have the homeomorphism  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}/Spin(5) \simeq S^5$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.9.**  $((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}} \cong Spin(6)$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}$  is connected (Lemma 3.8), we can define a homomorphism  $\pi : ((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}} \rightarrow SO(6) = SO(V^6)$  by

$$\pi(\alpha) = \alpha|V^6.$$

It is not difficult to see that  $\text{Ker } \varphi = \{1, \sigma\} = \mathbf{Z}_2$ . Since  $\dim(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}} = 15$  (Lemma 3.6) =  $\dim(\mathfrak{so}(6))$ ,  $\pi$  is onto. Hence,  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}/\mathbf{Z}_2 \cong SO(6)$ . Therefore,  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1, \dot{E}_{-1}}$  is isomorphism to  $Spin(6)$  as a double covering group of  $SO(6)$ .

We shall consider a subgroup  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1}$  of  $E_7$ .

**LEMMA 3.10.** *The Lie algebra  $(((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1}$  of the group  $(((E_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1}$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1} \\ &= \left\{ \Phi \left( D_4 + \tilde{A}_1(p) + i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & q \\ 0 & \bar{q} & -\varepsilon \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha & ix \\ 0 & i\bar{x} & \tau\alpha \end{pmatrix}, -\tau \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha & ix \\ 0 & i\bar{x} & \tau\alpha \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. | D_4 \in \mathfrak{so}(4) \subset \mathfrak{so}(8), \varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}, \alpha \in C, p, q, x \in \mathbf{H} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have

$$\dim(((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{K,\mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\mathit{he}_4), \dot{E}_1} = 21.$$

**LEMMA 3.11.** *For  $a \in \mathbf{R}$ , we define maps  $\alpha_k(a)$ ,  $k = 2, 3$  of  $\mathfrak{B}^C$  by*

$$\alpha_k(a) \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (1 + (\cos a - 1)p_k)X - 2(\sin a)E_k \times Y + \eta(\sin a)E_k \\ 2(\sin a)E_k \times X + (1 + (\cos a - 1)p_k)Y - \xi(\sin a)E_k \\ ((\sin a)E_k, Y) + (\cos a)\xi \\ -(\sin a)E_k, X) + (\cos a)\eta \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $p_k : \mathfrak{J}^C \rightarrow \mathfrak{J}^C$  is defined by

$$p_k(X) = (X, E_k)E_k + 4E_k \times (E_k \times X), \quad X \in \mathfrak{J}^C.$$

Then,  $\alpha_k \in E_7$  and  $\alpha_2(a), \alpha_3(b)$  ( $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ ) commute with each other.

PROOF. For  $\Phi_k(a) = \Phi(0, aE_k, -aE_k, 0) \in \mathfrak{e}_7$ , we have  $\alpha_k(a) = \exp \Phi_k(a) \in E_7$ . Since  $[\Phi_2(a), \Phi_3(b)] = 0$ ,  $\alpha_2(a)$  and  $\alpha_3(b)$  are commutative.

We define a 7 dimensional  $\mathbf{R}$ -vector space  $V^7$  by

$$V^7 = \{P \in \mathfrak{P}^C \mid \kappa P = P, \mu\tau\lambda P = P, \gamma P = P, \langle P, \tilde{E}_1 \rangle = 0\}$$

$$= \left\{ P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -\tau\xi \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} i\eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, -i\eta \right) \mid \xi \in C, h \in \mathbf{H}, \eta \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$$

with the norm

$$(P, P)_\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\mu P, \lambda P) = (\tau\xi)\xi + \bar{h}h + \eta^2.$$

Then,  $S^6 = \{P \in V^7 \mid (P, P)_\mu = 1\}$  is a 6 dimensional sphere.

LEMMA 3.12.  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\tilde{F}_1(he_4), \tilde{E}_1} / Spin(6) \simeq S^6$ . In particular,  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\tilde{F}_1(he_4), \tilde{E}_1}$  is connected.

PROOF. The group  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\tilde{F}_1(he_4), \tilde{E}_1}$  acts on  $S^6$ . We shall show that this action is transitive. To show this, it is sufficient to show that any element  $P \in S^6$  can be transformed to  $(0, -iE_1, 0, i) \in S^6$  under the action of  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})_{\tilde{F}_1(he_4), \tilde{E}_1}$ . Now, for a given

$$P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -\tau\xi \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} i\eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, -i\eta \right) \in S^6,$$

choose  $a \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $0 \leq a < \pi/2$  such that  $\tan 2a = \frac{i2\eta}{\tau\xi - \xi}$  (if  $\tau\xi - \xi = 0$ , then let

$a = \pi/4$ ). Operate  $\alpha_{23}(a) := \alpha_2(a)\alpha_3(a) = \exp(\Phi(0, a(E_2 + E_3), -a(E_2 + E_3), 0))$  (Lemma 3.11)  $\in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1}$  (Lemma 3.10) on  $P$ . Then, the  $\eta$ -term of  $\alpha_{23}(a)P$  is  $(1/2)(\zeta - \tau\bar{\zeta}) \sin 2a + i\eta \cos 2a = 0$ . Hence,

$$\alpha_{23}(a)P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \zeta & m \\ 0 & \bar{m} & -\tau\bar{\zeta} \end{pmatrix}, 0, 0, 0 \right) = P_1 \in S^5 \subset S^6.$$

Since  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}} \subset (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1})$  acts transitively on  $S^5$  (Lemma 3.8), there exist  $\beta \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}}$  such that  $\beta P_1 = (i(E_2 + E_3), 0, 0, 0) = P_2 \in S^5 \subset S^6$ . Moreover, operate  $\alpha_{23}(-\pi/4)$  on  $P_2$ ,

$$\alpha_{23}\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)P_2 = (0, -iE_1, 0, i) = -i\tilde{E}_{-1}.$$

This shows the transitivity. The isotropy subgroup  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1})$  at  $\tilde{E}_{-1}$  is  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}} = Spin(6)$  (Proposition 3.9). Thus, we have the homeomorphism  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1})/Spin(6) \simeq S^6$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.13.**  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1}) \cong Spin(7)$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1})$  is connected (Lemma 3.12), we can define a homomorphism  $\pi : (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1} \rightarrow SO(7) = SO(V^7)$  by

$$\pi(\alpha) = \alpha|V^7.$$

It is not difficult to see that  $\text{Ker } \varphi = \{1, \sigma\} = \mathbf{Z}_2$ . Since  $\dim(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1} = 21$  (Lemma 3.10)  $= \dim(\mathfrak{so}(7))$ ,  $\pi$  is onto. Hence,  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1})/\mathbf{Z}_2 \cong SO(7)$ . Therefore,  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1})$  is isomorphism to  $Spin(7)$  as a double covering group of  $SO(7)$ .

We shall consider the subgroup  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})$  of  $E_7$ .

**LEMMA 3.14.** *The Lie algebra  $(((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4)}$  of the group  $((((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} & (((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(\text{he}_4)} \\ &= \left\{ \Phi \left( D_4 + \tilde{A}_1(p) + i \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_2 & q \\ 0 & \bar{q} & \varepsilon_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & x \\ 0 & \bar{x} & \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix}, -\tau \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & x \\ 0 & \bar{x} & \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix}, -\frac{3}{2}i\varepsilon_1 \right) \\ & \quad \left| D_4 \in \mathfrak{so}(4) \subset \mathfrak{so}(8), \alpha_k \in C, p, q \in \mathbf{H}, x \in \mathbf{H}^C, \varepsilon_k \in \mathbf{R}, \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_3 = 0 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have

$$\dim(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)} = 28.$$

Hereafter, any element of the Lie algebra  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}$  will be denoted by  $\Phi_8$ .

LEMMA 3.15. For  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , we define a map  $\alpha(t)$  of  $\mathfrak{B}^C$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(t)(X, Y, \xi, \eta) \\ = \left( \begin{pmatrix} e^{2it}\xi_1 & e^{it}x_3 & e^{it}\bar{x}_2 \\ e^{it}\bar{x}_3 & \xi_2 & x_1 \\ e^{it}x_2 & \bar{x}_1 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} e^{-2it}\eta_1 & e^{-it}y_3 & e^{-it}\bar{y}_2 \\ e^{-it}\bar{y}_3 & \eta_2 & y_1 \\ e^{-it}y_2 & \bar{y}_1 & \eta_3 \end{pmatrix}, e^{-2it}\xi, e^{2it}\eta \right). \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $\alpha(t) \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}$ .

PROOF. For  $\Phi = \Phi(2itE_1 \vee E_1, 0, 0, -2it) \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}$  (Lemma 3.14), we have  $\alpha(t) = \exp \Phi \in (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}$  by  $E_1 \vee E_1 = (1/3)(2E_1 - E_2 - E_3)^\sim$ .

We define an 8 dimensional  $\mathbf{R}$ -vector space  $V^8$  by

$$\begin{aligned} V^8 = \{P \in \mathfrak{B}^C \mid \kappa P = P, \mu\tau\lambda P = P, \gamma P = P\} \\ = \left\{ P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -\tau\xi \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, \tau\eta \right) \mid \xi, \eta \in C, h \in \mathbf{H} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with the norm

$$(P, P)_\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\mu P, \lambda P) = (\tau\xi)\xi + \bar{h}h + (\tau\eta)\eta.$$

Then,  $S^7 = \{P \in V^8 \mid (P, P)_\mu = 1\}$  is a 7 dimensional sphere.

LEMMA 3.16.  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}/Spin(7) \simeq S^7$ . In particular,  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}$  is connected.

PROOF. The group  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}$  acts on  $S^7$ . We shall show that this action is transitive. To show this, it is sufficient to show that any element  $P \in S^7$  can be transformed to  $(0, E_1, 0, 1) \in S^7$  under the action of  $(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\dot{F}_1(he_4)}$ . Now, for a given

$$P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \xi & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -\tau\xi \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, \tau\eta \right) \in S^7,$$

choose  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  such that  $e^{-2it}\eta \in i\mathbf{R}$ . Operate  $\alpha(t)$  (Lemma 3.15)  $\in (((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)}$  on  $P$ . Then,

$$\alpha(t)P = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \zeta & h \\ 0 & \bar{h} & -\tau\zeta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} i\eta' & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0, -i\eta' \right) = P_1 \in S^6 \subset S^7, \quad \eta' \in \mathbf{R}$$

Since  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1} \subset (((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})$  acts transitively on  $S^6$  (Lemma 3.12), there exists  $\beta \in (((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1}$  such that  $\beta P_1 = (0, -iE_1, 0, i) = P_2 \in S^6 \subset S^7$ . Moreover, operate  $\alpha(-\pi/4)$  (Lemma 3.15) on  $P_2$ ,

$$\alpha\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)P_2 = (0, E_1, 0, 1) = \tilde{E}_1.$$

This shows the transitivity. The isotropy subgroup  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})$  at  $\tilde{E}_1$  is  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4), \tilde{E}_1} = Spin(7)$  (Proposition 3.12). Thus, we have the homeomorphism  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})/Spin(7) \simeq S^7$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.17.**  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)}) \cong Spin(8)$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})$  is connected (Lemma 3.16), we can define a homomorphism  $\pi : (((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)} \rightarrow SO(8) = SO(V^8)$  by

$$\pi(\alpha) = \alpha|V^8.$$

It is not difficult to see that  $\text{Ker } \varphi = \{1, \sigma\} = \mathbf{Z}_2$ . Since  $\dim(((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)} = 28$  (Lemma 3.14)  $= \dim(\mathfrak{so}(8))$ ,  $\pi$  is onto. Hence,  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})/\mathbf{Z}_2 \cong SO(8)$ . Therefore,  $((((E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(\text{he}_4)})$  is isomorphism to  $Spin(8)$  as a double covering group of  $SO(8)$ .

We shall determine the group structure of  $(E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma$ .

**LEMMA 3.18.** *The Lie algebra  $((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma$  of the group  $(E_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} ((\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\kappa,\mu})^\gamma = & \left\{ \Phi \left( D_4 + D'_4 + \tilde{A}_1(p) + i \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_2 & q \\ 0 & \bar{q} & \varepsilon_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & x \\ 0 & \bar{x} & \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix}, \right. \\ & \left. -\tau \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & x \\ 0 & \bar{x} & \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix}, -\frac{3}{2}i\varepsilon_1 \right) \mid D_4, D'_4 \in \mathfrak{so}(4) \subset \mathfrak{so}(8), \alpha_k \in \mathbf{C}, p, q \in \mathbf{H}, \\ & \left. x \in \mathbf{H}^{\mathbf{C}}, \varepsilon_k \in \mathbf{R}, \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_3 = 0 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have

$$\dim(((e_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma) = 34.$$

**PROPOSITION 3.19.**  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma \cong (Spin(4) \times Spin(8))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(1, 1), (-1, -1)\}$ .

**PROOF.** For  $Spin(4) = Sp(1) \times Sp(1) = (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \tilde{E}_{23}}$  (Propositions 3.1, 3.3) and  $Spin(8) = (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(he_4)}$  (Proposition 3.17), we define a map  $\phi_1 : Spin(4) \times Spin(8) \rightarrow ((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma$  by

$$\phi_1(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha\beta.$$

Then,  $\phi_1$  is well-defined. For  $\Phi_4 \in \mathfrak{spin}(4)$  (Lemma 3.2) and  $\Phi_8 \in \mathfrak{spin}(8)$  (Lemma 3.14), since  $[\Phi_4, \Phi_8] = 0$ , we have  $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$ . Hence,  $\phi_1$  is a homomorphism. It is not difficult to see that  $\text{Ker } \phi_1 = \{(1, 1), (-1, -1)\} = \mathbf{Z}_2$ . Since  $((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma \cong (Spin(12))^\gamma$ . (see [4], [5]) is connected and  $\dim(((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma) = 34$  (Lemma 3.18)  $= 6 + 28 = \dim(\mathfrak{spin}(4) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(8))$ ,  $\phi_1$  is onto. Thus, we have the required isomorphism  $(Spin(4) \times Spin(8))/\mathbf{Z}_2 \cong ((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma$ .

Now, we shall determine the group structure of  $(E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ .

**LEMMA 3.20.** The Lie algebra  $(e_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$  of the group  $(E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} (e_7)^{\sigma, \gamma} = \left\{ \Phi \left( D_4 + D'_4 + \tilde{A}_1(p) + i \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_2 & q \\ 0 & \bar{q} & \varepsilon_3 \end{pmatrix} \right), \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & x \\ 0 & \bar{x} & \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix}, \right. \\ \left. -\tau \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & x \\ 0 & \bar{x} & \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix}, v \mid D_4, D'_4 \in \mathfrak{so}(4) \subset \mathfrak{so}(8), \alpha_k \in \mathbf{C}, p, q \in \mathbf{H}, x \in \mathbf{H}^C, \right. \\ \left. \varepsilon_k \in \mathbf{R}, \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_3 = 0, v \in i\mathbf{R} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have

$$\dim((e_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}) = 37.$$

**PROPOSITION 3.21.** For  $A \in SU(2) = \{A \in M(2, \mathbf{C}) \mid (\tau^t A)A = E, \det A = 1\}$ , we define  $\mathbf{C}$ -linear transformations  $\phi(A)$  of  $\mathfrak{P}^C$  by

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

Then,  $\phi(A) \in (E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ .

**PROOF.** Let  $\Phi = \Phi(2\nu E_1 \vee E_1, aE_1, -\tau aE_1, \nu)$ ,  $a \in C$ ,  $\nu \in i\mathbf{R}$ . Then,  $\Phi \in (\mathfrak{e}_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$  (Lemma 3.20). Therefore, for  $A = \exp \begin{pmatrix} \nu & a \\ -\tau a & -\nu \end{pmatrix} \in SU(2)$ , we have  $\phi(A) = \exp \Phi \in (E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.22.**  $(E_7)^\sigma \cong (SU(2) \times Spin(12))/\mathbf{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(E, 1), (-E, -\sigma)\}$ .

**PROOF.** The isomorphism is induced by the homomorphism  $\varphi_1 : SU(2) \times Spin(12) \rightarrow (E_7)^\sigma$  by  $\varphi_1(A, \delta) = \phi(A)\delta$ . (In detail, see [4], [5].)

**THEOREM 3.23.**  $(E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma} \cong (SU(2) \times Spin(4) \times Spin(8))/(\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2)$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2 = \{(E, 1, 1), (E, \sigma, \sigma)\} \times \{(E, 1, 1), (-E, \gamma, -\sigma\gamma)\}$ .

**PROOF.** For  $SU(2)$  (Proposition 3.21),  $Spin(4) = (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(h), \tilde{E}_1, \tilde{E}_{-1}, \tilde{E}_{23}}$  (Propositions 3.1, 3.3) and  $Spin(8) = (((E_7)^{\kappa, \mu})^\gamma)_{\tilde{F}_1(he_4)}$  (Proposition 3.17), we define a map  $\varphi : SU(2) \times Spin(4) \times Spin(8) \rightarrow (E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$  by

$$\varphi(A, \alpha, \beta) = \phi(A)\alpha\beta.$$

Then,  $\varphi$  is well-defined. From Propositions 3.19, 3.22,  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism. We shall show that  $\varphi$  is onto. Let  $\rho \in (E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ . Since  $(E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma} \subset (E_7)^\sigma$ , there exist  $A \in SU(2)$  and  $\delta \in Spin(12)$  such that  $\rho = \varphi_1(A, \delta)$  (Proposition 3.22). Now, from  $\gamma\rho\gamma = \rho$ , we have  $\phi(A)(\gamma\delta\gamma) = \phi(A)\delta$ . Hence,



$$\begin{cases} A = A \\ \gamma\delta\gamma = \delta \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} A = -A \\ \gamma\delta\gamma = -\sigma\delta \end{cases}.$$

The latter case is impossible because  $A = 0$  is false. In the former case, from Proposition 3.19, there exist  $\alpha \in Spin(4)$  and  $\beta \in Spin(8)$  such that  $\delta = \phi_1(\alpha, \beta)$ . Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \varphi_1(A, \delta) = \phi(A)\delta = \phi(A)\phi_1(\alpha, \beta) \\ &= \phi(A)\alpha\beta = \varphi(A, \alpha, \beta). \end{aligned}$$

It is not difficult to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker } \varphi &= \{(E, 1, 1), (E, \sigma, \sigma), (-E, \gamma, -\sigma\gamma), (-E, \sigma\gamma, -\gamma)\} \\ &= \{(E, 1, 1), (E, \sigma, \sigma)\} \times \{(E, 1, 1), (-E, \gamma, -\sigma\gamma)\} \\ &= \mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have the required isomorphism  $(SU(2) \times Spin(4) \times Spin(8))/(\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2) \cong (E_7)^{\sigma, \gamma}$ .

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