1. Introduction

Exceptional collections provide the most atomic decomposition of the derived category of coherent sheaves on a variety. They have rich ties to representation theory of finite-dimensional algebras and their existence has strong structural implications for the motive of a variety, both in the commutative and non-commutative settings [Orl05, Tab13]. However, the following question is still very open:

Question 1.1. Which smooth projective varieties admit full exceptional collections?

In particular, even in cases where one knows that the answer to this question is positive, techniques for constructing full exceptional collections can be highly idiosyncratic.

Toric varieties defined over algebraically-closed fields of characteristic zero provide an important testing ground which informs our understanding of the existence and construction of exceptional collections. Moving beyond to general fields and arithmetic toric varieties [Dun16, ELFST14, MP97], one has the opportunity to further advance our grasp of the general situation. Indeed, this presents a non-trivial challenge: it is not known whether all smooth projective arithmetic toric varieties admit full exceptional collections. On the other hand, base changing a field \( k \) to its separable closure \( k^{\text{sep}} \) opens the door to many useful tools and known results.

In [BDM17], the authors showed that a \( k \)-variety \( X \) (not required to be toric) admits a full exceptional collection if and only if \( X_{k^{\text{sep}}} \) admits a full exceptional collection which is Galois-stable, i.e., objects of the collection are permuted by the action of \( \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k) \). Exhibiting a full exceptional collection over \( k \) therefore requires that one produce a collection over \( k^{\text{sep}} \) which is highly symmetric with respect to the Galois action. By considering the
class of toric varieties, one quickly recognizes that “most” full exceptional collections are not Galois-stable. The Galois-stable collections are often the simplest, particularly due to their large exceptional blocks (subcollections consisting of objects which are mutually orthogonal). One may optimistically hope that the additional constraint of Galois-stability makes the search for a positive answer to Question 1.1 more tractable in general.

In this paper, we study a particular highly-symmetric class of smooth projective varieties. A polytope $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is centrally symmetric if it satisfies $-P = P$. The smooth split toric varieties $X$ whose anti-canonical polytope is full-dimensional and centrally symmetric were classified in [VK84]. It was shown in loc. cit. that any such variety, which we refer to as centrally symmetric toric Fano varieties, is isomorphic to a product of projective lines and generalized del Pezzo varieties $V_n$ of dimension $n = 2m$.

The variety $V_n$ is the (split) toric variety with rays given by

\[
\begin{align*}
e_0 &= (-1, -1, \ldots, -1) & \tilde{e}_0 &= (1, 1, \ldots, 1) \\
e_1 &= (1, 0, \ldots, 0) & \tilde{e}_1 &= (-1, 0, \ldots, 0) \\
e_2 &= (0, 1, \ldots, 0) & \tilde{e}_2 &= (0, -1, \ldots, 0) \\
& \vdots \\
e_n &= (0, 0, \ldots, 1) & \tilde{e}_n &= (0, 0, \ldots, -1)
\end{align*}
\]

and whose maximal cones are as follows (see [VK84, Proof of Thm. 5]). Each maximal cone is generated by the rays in the set \{\(e_i\)\}_{i \in A} \cup \{\tilde{e}_i\}_{i \in B}$ where $A$ and $B$ are disjoint subsets of \{0, \ldots, n\}, each of cardinality \(\frac{n}{2}\). The number of maximal cones $c(n)$ of $V_n$ is

\[
c(n) = \frac{(n + 1)!}{(\frac{n}{2})!^2} = \frac{(2m + 1)!}{m!^2},
\]

which coincides with the rank of Grothendieck group $K_0(V_n)$. Throughout, we let $\Delta$ denote the fan corresponding to $V_n$. Note that $V_2$ is the del Pezzo surface $dP_6$ of degree 6; and $V_4$ is the variety (116) in the enumeration of [PN17] or (118) in the enumeration of [Bat99].

The variety $V_n$ admits a natural $(S_{n+1} \times C_2)$-action, given by an action on the rays $e_i, \tilde{e}_i$. The $S_{n+1}$-action permutes $e_0, \ldots, e_n$ and $\tilde{e}_0 \ldots \tilde{e}_n$ in the obvious way. The $C_2$-action, whose generator we refer to as the antipodal involution, is the antipodal map on the cocharacter lattice, and interchanges $e_i$ and $\tilde{e}_i$ for each index $i$.

The variety $V_n$ is of importance in birational geometry due to its appearance in the factorization of the standard Cremona transformation of $\mathbb{P}^n$, and may be constructed in an entirely geometric manner. First, take the blow-up of $\mathbb{P}^n$ at the collection of $(n + 1)$ torus fixed points, then flip the (strict transforms) of the lines through these points, then flip the (strict transforms) of planes through these points, and so on, up to, but not including, the half-dimensional linear subspaces. The resulting variety is $V_n$ [Cas03, §3].

**Notation 1.2.** We let $Y_n$ denote the blowup of $\mathbb{P}^n$ at its $(n + 1)$ torus fixed points.

Since $V_n$ and $Y_n$ are isomorphic in codimension 1, they have isomorphic Picard groups. We let $H, E_0, \ldots, E_n$ be a basis for $\text{Pic}(V_n)$, given by the hyperplane and exceptional divisors of $Y_n$. The divisors corresponding to the rays $e_i, \tilde{e}_i$ are then given by

\[
[e_i] = E_i, \quad [\tilde{e}_i] = (H - \sum_{j=0}^{n} E_j) + E_i,
\]
where $S_{n+1}$ permutes the $E_i$ leaving $H$ fixed, and the antipodal involution is represented by the matrix

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\
1 - n & 0 & \cdots & -1 \\
1 - n & -1 & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
1 - n & -1 & \cdots & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\]

For each $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $J \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\}$, define

\[F_{c,J} := c \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n} E_i - H \right) - \sum_{j \in J} E_j.\]

Note that the antipodal involution takes $F_{c,J}$ to $F_{\left|J\right|-c,J}$.

**Theorem 1.3.** The set $F_n$ of all bundles $O(F_{c,J})$ with

1. $|J| - \left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor \leq c \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor$, or
2. $\left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{4} \right\rfloor \leq c \leq |J| - \left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{4} \right\rfloor$

forms a full strong $(S_{n+1} \times C_2)$-stable exceptional collection of line bundles on $V_n$ under any ordering of the blocks such that $|J|$ is (non-strictly) decreasing.

If the base field $k$ is not algebraically closed, it is natural to require a more permissive notion of exceptional collection as discussed in [BDM17]. Recall that a form of a $k$-variety $X$ is a $k$-variety $X'$ such that there is an isomorphism $X_K \cong X'_K$ after base change to some field extension $K/k$. Since any centrally symmetric toric Fano variety is a product of projective lines and the varieties $V_n$, the descent result given in [BDM17, Lemma 3.11] yields the following:

**Corollary 1.4.** Any form of a centrally symmetric toric Fano variety admits a full strong exceptional collection consisting of vector bundles.

In [CT17, Theorem 6.6], Castravet and Tevelev exhibit a full strong $\text{Aut} (\Delta)$-stable exceptional collection for $V_n$, where $\Delta$ denotes the fan associated to $V_n$. The authors of this paper had independently discovered the same collection (up to a twist by a line bundle), as discussed in [BDM17, §4.4]. This article fleshes out these ideas. A particular benefit is that complexity in checking generation in [CT17] is lessened greatly by the methods here. In particular, we make use of forbidden cones in showing exceptionality and grade-restriction windows in showing fullness (i.e., that the collection generates the bounded derived category $\mathbb{D}^b(V_n)$). The distinct methods and perspective should be valuable in understanding more general situations.

2. Examples

Let us explicitly describe the full exceptional collections in low-dimensional examples. We remind the reader that we utilize the aforementioned basis of $\text{Pic}(Y_n)$, and $E := \sum E_i$.

**Example 2.1** (Dimension 2). Applying the inequalities given in Theorem 1.3, we see that $F_2 = \{(0, 0), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 3)\}$. Each of these pairs gives an $S_3$-orbit of bundles on $V_2$. 


| $F_2$  | $S_3$-orbit |
|--------|-------------|
| (0, 0) | $O$         |
| (1, 2) | $O(E_1 - H), O(E_2 - H), O(E_3 - H)$ |
| (1, 3) | $O(−H)$   |
| (2, 3) | $O(E - 2H)$ |

Notice that this is the exceptional collection on $V_2 = dP_6$ (the del Pezzo surface of degree 6) which is the dual of that given in [Kin97, Prop. 6.2(ii)]. This collection was also recovered in [BSS11]. Recall that the antipodal involution acts on these orbits via $(c, ℓ) \mapsto (ℓ - c, ℓ)$, so that $(1, 3) \mapsto (2, 3)$. We thus obtain (orthogonal) blocks given by the $(S_3 \times C_2)$-orbits:

| $E_0$ | $O$ |
|-------|-----|
| $E_1$ | $O(E_1 - H), O(E_2 - H), O(E_3 - H)$ |
| $E_2$ | $O(−H), O(E - 2H)$ |

**Example 2.2** (Dimension 4). The variety $V_4$ is exactly (116) in the enumeration of [PN17] or (118) in the enumeration of [Bat99]. Applying the inequalities given in Theorem 1.3, we see that $F_4 = \{(-1, 0), (0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 4), (2, 5), (3, 5)\}$. Each of these pairs gives an $S_5$-orbit of bundles on $V_4$.

| $F_4$  | $S_5$-orbit |
|--------|-------------|
| (−1, 0) | $O(−E + H)$ |
| (0, 0) | $O$         |
| (0, 1) | $O(−E_1), O(−E_2), O(−E_3), O(−E_4), O(−E_5)$ |
| (1, 0) | $O(E - H)$ |
| (1, 1) | $O(E - H - E_1), O(E - H - E_2), O(E - H - E_3), O(E - H - E_4), O(E - H - E_5)$ |
| (1, 2) | $O(E - H - E_1 - E_2), O(E - H - E_1 - E_3), O(E - H - E_1 - E_4), O(E - H - E_1 - E_5), O(E - H - E_2 - E_3), O(E - H - E_2 - E_4), O(E - H - E_2 - E_5), O(E - H - E_3 - E_4), O(E - H - E_3 - E_5), O(E - H - E_4 - E_5)$ |
| (2, 4) | $O(E - 2H + E_1), O(E - 2H + E_2), O(E - 2H + E_3), O(E - 2H + E_4), O(E - 2H + E_5)$ |
| (2, 5) | $O(E - 2H)$ |
| (3, 5) | $O(2E - 3H)$ |

The antipodal involution acts on these orbits via $(-1, 0) \leftrightarrow (1, 0), (0, 1) \leftrightarrow (1, 1), and (2, 5) \leftrightarrow (3, 5)$, leaving the others fixed. We thus obtain (orthogonal) blocks $E_i$ given by the $(S_5 \times C_2)$-orbits:

| $E_0$ | $O$ |
|-------|-----|
| $E_1$ | $O(−E_1), O(−E_2), O(−E_3), O(−E_4), O(−E_5), O(E - H - E_1), O(E - H - E_2), O(E - H - E_3), O(E - H - E_4), O(E - H - E_5)$ |
| $E_2$ | $O(E - H - E_1 - E_2), O(E - H - E_1 - E_3), O(E - H - E_1 - E_4), O(E - H - E_1 - E_5), O(E - H - E_2 - E_3), O(E - H - E_2 - E_4), O(E - H - E_2 - E_5), O(E - H - E_3 - E_4), O(E - H - E_3 - E_5), O(E - H - E_4 - E_5)$ |
| $E_3$ | $O(E - 2H + E_1), O(E - 2H + E_2), O(E - 2H + E_3), O(E - 2H + E_4), O(E - 2H + E_5)$ |
| $E_4$ | $O(E - 2H), O(E - 2H - E_3), O(E - 2H + E_4), O(E - 2H + E_5)$ |
| $E_5$ | $O(E - 2H), O(2E - 3H)$ |
3. Exceptionality via forbidden cones

We begin by recalling definitions of exceptional objects and collections. We then apply the theory of forbidden cones, put forth by Borisov and Hua [BH09], to show that the collection described above is exceptional and stable under the action of the group $S_{n+1} \times C_2$. For a $k$-scheme $X$, we let $\mathcal{D}^b(X) = \mathcal{D}^b(\text{coh}X)$ denote the bounded derived category of coherent sheaves on $X$. It is a $k$-linear triangulated category.

**Definition 3.1.** Let $\mathcal{T}$ be a $k$-linear triangulated category. An object $E$ in $\mathcal{T}$ is exceptional if the following conditions hold:

1. $\text{End}_{\mathcal{T}}(E)$ is a division $k$-algebra.
2. $\text{Ext}^n_{\mathcal{T}}(E, E) := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(E, E[n]) = 0$ for $n \neq 0$.

A totally ordered set $\mathcal{E} = \{E_1, ..., E_s\}$ of exceptional objects in $\mathcal{T}$ is an exceptional collection if $\text{Ext}^n_{\mathcal{T}}(E_i, E_j) = 0$ for all integers $n$ whenever $i > j$. An exceptional collection is full if it generates $\mathcal{T}$, i.e., the smallest thick subcategory of $\mathcal{T}$ containing $\mathcal{E}$ is all of $\mathcal{D}^b(X)$. An exceptional collection is strong if $\text{Ext}^n_{\mathcal{T}}(E_i, E_j) = 0$ whenever $n \neq 0$. An exceptional block is an exceptional collection $\mathcal{E} = \{E_1, ..., E_s\}$ such that $\text{Ext}^n_{\mathcal{T}}(E_i, E_j) = 0$ for every $n$ whenever $i \neq j$.

**Definition 3.2.** Let $X$ be a scheme with an action of a group $G$. Any element $g \in G$ induces a functor $g^*: \mathcal{D}^b(X) \to \mathcal{D}^b(X)$. A $G$-stable exceptional collection on $X$ is an exceptional collection $\mathcal{E} = \{E_1, ..., E_s\}$ of objects in $\mathcal{D}^b(X)$ such that for all $g \in G$ and $1 \leq i \leq s$ there exists $E \in \mathcal{E}$ such that $g^*E \simeq E$.

Let us now investigate exceptionality of the collection $\mathcal{F}_n$ described in Theorem 1.3. It will be useful for our calculations to consider a larger collection of bundles grouped into $S_{n+1}$-orbits. Conceptually, this gives a nice picture of (orbits of objects in) this collection as shown in Figures 1a, 1b, 2a, and 2b. Suppose $\ell, k$ are nonnegative integers such that $k + \ell \leq n + 1$. Let $F(c, k, \ell)$ be the $S_{n+1}$-orbit of the divisor

$$c \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n} E_i - H \right) + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} E_i - \sum_{i=k}^{k+\ell-1} E_i .$$

Notice that when $k = 0$, the set $F(c, k, \ell)$ is just the $S_{n+1}$-orbit of the divisor $F_{c,J}$, where $J$ is any subset of $\{0, 1, \ldots, n\}$ of cardinality $\ell$. Also note that $F(c, k, \ell)$ is not necessarily stable under the antipodal involution, and in the case $k = 0$, the antipodal involution takes $F(c, 0, \ell)$ to $F(\ell - c, 0, \ell)$.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let $\mathcal{F}_n \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^2$ be the set of $(c, \ell)$ where $0 \leq \ell \leq n + 1$ satisfying one of the following two conditions:

1. $\ell - \frac{n}{4} \leq c \leq \frac{n}{4}$, or
2. $\frac{n+2}{4} \leq c \leq \ell - \frac{n+2}{4}$.

Then the collection of line bundles $\mathcal{O}(D)$ for all $D$ in $F(c, 0, \ell)$ for all $(c, \ell)$ in $\mathcal{F}_n$ coincides with the set $\mathcal{F}_n$ and forms an $(S_{n+1} \times C_2)$-stable exceptional collection under any ordering of the blocks such that $\ell$ is (non-strictly) decreasing.

The fact that the collection described above coincides with $\mathcal{F}_n$ given in Theorem 1.3 is obvious. The remainder of this subsection is devoted to proving the above theorem.
Lemma 3.4 (Exceptionality of objects). Suppose $k \leq \ell$. Then, for all non-trivial $D$ in $F(c,k,\ell)$, the line bundle $\mathcal{O}(D)$ is acyclic if

\begin{align*}
-\frac{n}{2} + \ell &\leq c \leq \frac{n}{2} - k \\
1 &\leq c \leq \ell - k - 1
\end{align*}

if $\ell \leq \frac{n}{2}$.

Proof. Recall from Borisov-Hua [BH09] that given a subset $I \subseteq \Delta(1)$ which has non-trivial reduced homology in the simplicial complex of $\Delta$, we obtain a forbidden cone in $\text{Pic}(X)$ given by

$$
F_I = \sum_{\rho \in I} (-1 - r_\rho) [D_\rho] + \sum_{\rho \notin I} r_\rho [D_\rho],
$$

where the $r_\rho$ are non-negative real numbers. A line bundle is acyclic if it does not lie in any forbidden cone (but not conversely, in general).

Let us use the basis

$$
\{ \Omega = \left( \sum_{i=0}^n E_i - H \right), E_0, \ldots, E_n \}
$$

for $\text{Pic}(V_n)$, and let $\beta$ be a divisor class in $F(c,k,\ell)$. Let $b_2$ be the coefficient of $\Omega$ in $\beta$ and $b_i$ the coefficient of $E_i$ in $\beta$. Thus $b_2 = c$ and the other coefficients are in $\{-1,0,1\}$. Let $L,N,K$ denote the subset of $\{0,\ldots,n\}$ corresponding to the number of $-1$’s, $0$’s, and $1$’s, respectively. Note that $k = |K|$, $\ell = |L|$ and $|N| = n + 1 - \ell - k$.

In this basis, $e_i \mapsto E_i$ and $\bar{e}_i \mapsto E_i - \Omega$. Let us compute the possible coefficients $b_i$ in a forbidden cone with indexing set $I$. We use the notation $r_i$ for $r_{e_i}$ and $\bar{r}_i$ for $r_{\bar{e}_i}$. For each $i \in \{0,\ldots,n\}$, we have the following table:

| $\subseteq I$ | $b_i$ | $b_2$ |
|--------------|------|------|
| $\emptyset$  | $r_i + \bar{r}_i$ | $-\bar{r}_i$ |
| $\{e_i\}$    | $-1 - r_i + \bar{r}_i$ | $-\bar{r}_i$ |
| $\{\bar{e}_i\}$ | $-1 + r_i - \bar{r}_i$ | $1 + \bar{r}_i$ |
| $\{e_i, \bar{e}_i\}$ | $-2 - r_i - \bar{r}_i$ | $1 + \bar{r}_i$ |

where the $b_2$ column really just records the contribution from $e_i$ and $\bar{e}_i$. 
Note that if both \( e_i \) and \( \bar{e}_i \) are contained in \( I \) then the corresponding forbidden cone \( F_I \) has \( b_i \leq -2 \). No divisor of \( F_n \) lies in a forbidden cone \( F_I \) where \( I \) contains both \( e_i \) and \( \bar{e}_i \). Thus, if our bundle is not acyclic it must be contained in a forbidden cone corresponding to \( I \) where \( e_i \) and \( \bar{e}_i \) do not both appear. Note that the values of \( r_i \) are irrelevant for \( b_\sharp \).

With this in mind, we determine the possible values of the contributions to \( b_\sharp \) given a fixed value of \( b_i \). They are:

| \( b_i \) | \( \subseteq I \) | \( \bar{r}_i \) | \( b_\sharp \) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | \( \emptyset \) | \([0, 1]\) | \([-1, 0]\) |
| \( \{e_i\} \) | \([2, \infty)\) | \((-\infty, -2]\) |
| \( \{\bar{e}_i\} \) | \([0, \infty)\) | \([1, \infty)\) |
| 0 | \( \emptyset \) | \(\{0\}\) | \(\{0\}\) |
| \( \{e_i\} \) | \([1, \infty)\) | \((-\infty, -1]\) |
| \( \{\bar{e}_i\} \) | \([0, \infty)\) | \([1, \infty)\) |
| -1 | \( \emptyset \) | \(\emptyset\) | \(\emptyset\) |
| \( \{e_i\} \) | \([0, \infty)\) | \((-\infty, 0]\) |
| \( \{\bar{e}_i\} \) | \([0, \infty)\) | \([1, \infty)\) |

Recall that a \emph{primitive collection} is a minimal subset \( C \) of the set of rays \( \Delta(1) \) such that \( C \) is not contained in any cone of \( \Delta \). In [Efi14, Lem. 4.4], Efimov shows that every (nonempty) indexing set for a forbidden cone is a union of primitive collections. Recall that the maximal cones of \( \Delta \) contain a set of rays of the form \( \{e_i\}_{i \in A} \cup \{\bar{e}_i\}_{i \in B} \) where \( A \) and \( B \) are disjoint subsets of \( \{0, \ldots, n\} \), each of cardinality \( \frac{n}{2} \). Thus the primitive collections are of the form \( \{e_i, \bar{e}_i\} \), \( \{e_i\}_{i \in S} \) and \( \{\bar{e}_i\}_{i \in S} \) where \( S \) is a subset of \( \{0, \ldots, n\} \) of cardinality \( \geq \frac{n}{2} + 1 \).

Above we saw that \( \beta \) does not lie in any forbidden cone whose indexing set contains \( \{e_i, \bar{e}_i\} \) for any \( i \). Thus we may assume that either \( I = \{e_i\}_{i \in S} \) or \( I = \{\bar{e}_i\}_{i \in S} \) where \( S \) is a
We want to select $F$ form $K$ $S$ here. Since there is no way to produce negative $b_i$ for $i \in L \setminus S$. We get contributions to $b_2$ for each element of various subsets as follows:

\[
\begin{array}{c|cc}
I & \{e_i\}_{i \in S} & \{\bar{e}_i\}_{i \in S} \\
L & (-\infty, 0] & [1, \infty) \\
K \cap S & (-\infty, -2] & [1, \infty) \\
K \setminus S & [-1, 0] & [-1, 0] \\
N \cap S & (-\infty, -1] & [1, \infty) \\
N \setminus S & \{0\} & \{0\}
\end{array}
\]

First, let us assume $I = \emptyset$, i.e., the corresponding forbidden cone is the effective cone. Here $S = \emptyset$. To be forbidden, we require $L = \emptyset$. Our standing assumption is that $k \leq \ell$ so $K = \emptyset$ as well. It follows that $b_2 = 0$, and the trivial line bundle is the only one of the form $F(c, k, \ell)$ lying in the effective cone.

Now, we assume that $I = \{e_i\}_{i \in S}$. We see that

\[b_2 \leq -2|K \cap S| - |N \cap S|\]

We want to select $S$ to forbid as much as possible. If $\ell > \frac{n}{2}$ then we may select $S = L$ and we forbid $c \leq 0$. If $\ell \leq \frac{n}{2}$ then, since $k \leq \ell$, the weakest bound is obtained by selecting $S$ such that $|N \cap S| = \frac{n}{2} + 1 - \ell$ where we forbid $c \leq -\frac{n}{2} + \ell - 1$. Indeed, to maximize $-2|K \cap S| - |N \cap S|$, we take $S$ to have minimal size: $|S| = \frac{n}{2} + 1$. Since $L \subseteq S$, we have $|S \setminus L| = \frac{n}{2} + 1 - \ell$. Note that $|N| = n + 1 - k - \ell$ and $|N| - |S \setminus L| = \frac{n}{2} + k > 0$. Thus, the maximum occurs when $|N \cap S| = |S \setminus L| = \frac{n}{2} + 1 - \ell$.

Now we assume that $I = \{\bar{e}_i\}_{i \in S}$. We see that

\[b_2 \geq |L| + |K \cap S| - |K \setminus S| + |N \cap S|\]

Or, since $L \subseteq S$, we have $b_2 \geq |S| - |K \setminus S|$. Again, we want to select $S$ so as to forbid as much as possible. If $\ell \leq \frac{n}{2}$ then since $k \leq \ell$, we may select $|S| = \frac{n}{2} + 1$ of minimal size, and $K \cap S = \emptyset$. Thus we forbid $c \geq \frac{n}{2} + 1 - k$. If $\ell > \frac{n}{2}$ then we may select $S = L$ so $K \cap S = \emptyset$. Thus we forbid $c \geq \ell - k$.

We have checked all possible forbidden cones and the statement of the theorem describes precisely those bundles which are left over. \hfill $\Box$

In order to build an exceptional collection, we will need to compute Ext-groups. Since we are only using line bundles, it suffices to show that line bundles corresponding to differences of divisors are acyclic. Thus, we need the following:

**Lemma 3.5.** If $L_1 \in F(c_1, 0, \ell_1)$ and $L_2 \in F(c_2, 0, \ell_2)$, then $L_1 - L_2 \in F(c_1 - c_2, \ell_2 - i, \ell_1 - i)$ for an integer $i$ satisfying

- $i \geq 0$,
- $i \leq \ell_1$,
- $i \leq \ell_2$, and
- $i \geq \ell_1 + \ell_2 - n - 1$.

**Proof.** The line bundle $L_1$ has the form

\[c_1 \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n} E_j - H \right) - \sum_{j \in J_1} E_j\]
for some subset $J_1 \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\}$ of size $\ell_1$. Similarly, there is a subset $J_2$ of size $\ell_2$. Their difference is given by

$$(c_1 - c_2) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n} E_j - H \right) + \sum_{j \in J_2 \setminus J_1} E_j - \sum_{j \in J_1 \setminus J_2} E_j .$$

Note that if $i = |J_1 \cap J_2|$, then $|J_2 \setminus J_1| = \ell_2 - i$ and $|J_1 \setminus J_2| = \ell_1 - i$. The inequalities for $i$ in the statement of the theorem are obtained by noting that $|J_1 \cap J_2|$, $|J_1 \setminus J_2|$, and $|J_2 \setminus J_1|$ must be non-negative and that $|J_1 \cup J_2| \leq n + 1$.

Proof of Theorem 3.3. We show that for any two pairs $(c_1, \ell_1), (c_2, \ell_2) \in E_n$ with $\ell_1 \geq \ell_2$, and for any $L_1 \in F(c_1, 0, \ell_1)$ and $L_2 \in F(c_2, 0, \ell_2)$, the bundle $O(L')$ is acyclic for $L' := L_1 - L_2$ unless $L_1 = L_2$. This will suffice to prove the theorem. Indeed, taking $\ell_1 = \ell_2$ and $c_1 = c_2$ shows that each $S_{n+1}$-orbit is internally orthogonal, taking $\ell_1 = \ell_2$ and $c_2 = \ell_1 - c_1$ establishes that the whole $(S_{n+1} \times C_2)$-orbit is orthogonal, and the orbits ordered as in the statement of the theorem thus form an exceptional collection.

By Lemma 3.5 we know $L' \in F(c_1 - c_2, \ell_2 - i, \ell_1 - i)$ for some $i$. We will consider 3 distinct cases.

- **Case 1:** $\ell_1, \ell_2 \leq \frac{n}{2}$. For $j = 1, 2$, we have $\ell_j - \frac{n}{4} \leq c_j \leq \frac{n}{4}$. Adding the inequality for $j = 1$ with the negation of the inequality for $j = 2$, it follows that

$$\ell_1 - \frac{n}{2} \leq c_1 - c_2 \leq \frac{n}{2} - \ell_2 .$$

Thus, for any non-negative $i$, we have

$$-\frac{n}{2} + (\ell_1 - i) \leq c_1 - c_2 \leq \frac{n}{2} - (\ell_2 - i) .$$

We conclude that, regardless of $i$, the line bundle $L'$ is acyclic by Lemma 3.4.

- **Case 2:** $\ell_1, \ell_2 > \frac{n}{2}$. For $j = 1, 2$ we have $\frac{n+2}{4} \leq c_j \leq \ell_j - \frac{n+2}{4}$. Adding $\frac{n+2}{4}$, we obtain $\frac{n}{2} + 1 \leq c_j + \frac{n+2}{4} \leq \ell_j$. Thus

$$-\ell_2 + \frac{n}{2} + 1 \leq c_1 - c_2 \leq \ell_1 - \frac{n}{2} - 1 .$$

Since $\ell_j > \frac{n}{2}$, we have that $\ell_1 + \ell_2 \geq n + 1$. We may assume $\ell_1 + \ell_2 - n - 1 \leq i$ from Lemma 3.5. Rearranging, we have $\ell_1 - i \leq n + 1 - \ell_2 \leq \frac{n}{2}$. We also obtain

$$-\frac{n}{2} + (\ell_1 - i) \leq c_1 - c_2 \leq \frac{n}{2} - (\ell_2 - i)$$

using $\ell_1 + \ell_2 - n - 1 \leq i$ and conclude that $L'$ is acyclic once again.

- **Case 3:** $\ell_1 > \frac{n}{2}$ but $\ell_2 \leq \frac{n}{2}$. Now $\frac{n+2}{4} \leq c_1 \leq \ell_1 - \frac{n+2}{4}$ and $\ell_2 - \frac{n}{4} \leq c_2 \leq \frac{n}{4}$, so

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq c_1 - c_2 \leq (\ell_1 - \ell_2) - \frac{1}{2} .$$

In fact, we have $1 \leq c_1 - c_2 \leq (\ell_1 - \ell_2) - 1$, since $c_1, c_2, \ell_1, \ell_2$ are integers. If $\ell_1 - i > \frac{n}{2}$, then the conditions of Lemma 3.4 are satisfied. Otherwise, $\ell_1 - i - \frac{n}{2} \leq 0$, and so using $\ell_1 \geq \ell_2$ we have

$$\ell_1 - i - \frac{n}{2} \leq c_1 - c_2 \leq \frac{n}{2} - (\ell_2 - i)$$

to again satisfy the conditions of Lemma 3.4.
4. Generation via windows

It remains to prove that the collection $F_n$ is full, i.e., that it generates the category $D^b(V_n)$. To do so, we utilize a particular run of the Minimal Model Program (MMP) for $V_n$. The endpoint of this run is $\mathbb{P}^n$, and the birational map $\mathbb{P}^n \to V_n$ is described above (blow up the torus invariants points of $\mathbb{P}^n$ and then inductively flip the linear subspaces of dimension $d < m$, where $n = 2m$). To understand how the derived category is affected under such modifications, it will be advantageous to present the process as a variation of GIT quotients of the spectrum of the Cox ring of the blow up of $\mathbb{P}^n$ using [BFK17, Bal17].

We begin by recalling the relevant pieces of the theory of windows and associated semi-orthogonal decompositions and apply these tools to the case of toric varieties given by GIT quotients in this section. We provide an application to the centrally symmetric toric Fano varieties described above in Section 5.

Let us recall some definitions and results of [BFK17, Bal17] in the context of a toric action. We establish some notation and conventions to be used throughout the remainder of the paper. Simple flips, blow-ups/downs, and fiber space contractions can be described as moving between chambers in the GKZ fan of a projective toric variety.

We let $W := \mathbb{A}^r = \text{Spec} k[x_1, \ldots, x_r]$ be a vector space and let $G$ be a subtorus of $\mathbb{G}_m^r \subseteq \text{GL}(W)$. We use $\lambda : \mathbb{G}_m \to G$ to denote a one-parameter subgroup (or cocharacter) of $G$ and $\chi : G \to \mathbb{G}_m$ to denote a character of $G$. The abelian group of characters of $G$ is denoted by $\hat{G}$.

Recall that the semi-stable locus associated to the $G$-equivariant line bundle $\mathcal{O}(\chi)$ is

$$W^\text{ss}(\chi) = \{w \in W \mid \exists f \in H^0(W, \mathcal{O}(n\chi))^G \text{ with } n > 0 \text{ and } f(w) \neq 0\}.$$  

Note that the unstable locus (i.e., the complement of $W^\text{ss}(\chi)$) is given by the following vanishing locus:

$$W^\text{us}(\chi) = Z(f \mid f \in H^0(W, \mathcal{O}(n\chi))^G, n > 0).$$

Since

$$W^\text{ss}(\chi) = W^\text{ss}(m\chi)$$

for $m > 0$, we can naturally extend the definition of semi-stable loci to fractional characters $\hat{G}_\mathbb{Q}$.

We write

$$W/\chi G := [W^\text{ss}(\chi)/G],$$

where the right-hand side is the usual quotient stack. If this stack is represented by a scheme, this definition agrees with Mumford’s GIT quotient [BFK17, Prop. 2.1.7]. Let

$$C^G(W) = \{\chi \in \hat{G} \mid \exists f \in k[x_1, \ldots, x_r] \text{ with } f \neq 0 \text{ and } f(g \cdot x) = \chi(g)^n f(x) \text{ for some } n > 0\}.$$

The group $C^G(W) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R} \subseteq \hat{G}_\mathbb{R}$ admits a fan structure where the interiors of the cones are exactly the subsets of equal semi-stable locus, see e.g. [BFK17, Prop. 4.1.3]. Assuming that $W/\chi G$ is a simplicial and semi-projective toric variety, $C^G(W)$ is the effective cone of $W/\chi G$. In this situation it also coincides with the pseudo-effective cone [CLS11, Lemma 15.1.8]. We denote this fan by $\Sigma_{\text{GKZ}}$. This is called the GKZ (or GIT or secondary) fan associated to the action of $G$ on $W$. 
A chamber in $\Sigma_{\text{GKZ}}$ is an interior of a maximal cone. A chamber is a boundary chamber if its closure intersects the closure of the complement of $C^G(X)_\mathbb{R}$. The empty chamber is the complement of $C^G(X)_\mathbb{R}$. A wall is the relative interior of the intersection of the closures of two adjacent chambers.

The fan $\Sigma_{\text{GKZ}}$ parametrizes the birational models of the usual (scheme-theoretic) GIT quotients that arise via GIT quotients for characters in chambers. Our interest is how the derived category is affected by varying our linearization across walls in $\Sigma_{\text{GKZ}}$.

For a one-parameter subgroup $\lambda$, we get a linear function $\hat{\lambda}: \hat{G} \to \text{End}(\mathbb{G}_m) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

$$\chi \mapsto \chi \circ \lambda.$$ 

Each wall in $\Sigma_{\text{GKZ}}$ is the interior of a full-dimensional cone inside the hyperplane given by the vanishing of some $\hat{\lambda}$. Denote the wall by $\Sigma^\lambda_0$. We let $\Sigma^\pm_\lambda$ be the two adjacent chambers lying in the half-spaces $\pm \hat{\lambda}_\mathbb{R} > 0$, respectively. Given $x_i$, let $\text{wt}_\lambda(x_i)$ denote $\lambda(a)$ where $x_i$ has grading $a \in \hat{G}$.

$$\mu_\lambda := \hat{\lambda}(\omega_{[W/G]}) = -\sum_{i=1}^d \text{wt}_\lambda(x_i),$$

where $\omega_{[W/G]}$ is the canonical sheaf of $[W/G]$. Without loss of generality, we will assume that $\mu_\lambda \leq 0$.

Choose characters $\chi^\pm \in \Sigma^\pm_\lambda$ and $\chi^0 \in \Sigma^0_\lambda$. Set

$$X^+_\lambda := W_{/\chi^+}G$$
$$X^-_\lambda := W_{/\chi^-}G$$
$$X^0_\lambda := W_{/\chi^0}G.$$ 

Denote the following vanishing loci as

$$W^+_\lambda := Z(x_i \mid \text{wt}_\lambda(x_i) < 0)$$
$$W^-_\lambda := Z(x_i \mid \text{wt}_\lambda(x_i) > 0)$$
$$W^0_\lambda := Z(x_i \mid \text{wt}_\lambda(x_i) \neq 0).$$

These are, respectively, the contracting, repelling, and fixed loci of the $\mathbb{G}_m$-action on $W$ induced by $\lambda$. Note that $W^\pm_\lambda$ is unstable for $\chi$ if $\pm \hat{\lambda}(\chi) < 0$.

Finally, set

$$Z^+_\lambda := \left[ (W^+_\lambda \cap W^{ss}(\chi^+)) / G \right]$$
$$Z^-_\lambda := \left[ (W^-_\lambda \cap W^{ss}(\chi^-)) / G \right]$$
$$Z^0_\lambda := \left[ (W^0_\lambda \cap W^{ss}(\chi^0)) / G \right].$$

These induce the following wall-crossing diagram
The maps $j^\pm$ are induced by the inclusions $W^\text{ss}(\chi^\pm) \subseteq W^\text{ss}(\chi^0)$ and $i^\pm, i^0$ are induced by base changing the inclusions of $W_\lambda^\pm, W_\lambda^0 \subseteq W$. The maps $\pi^\pm$ are obtained from the projections $W_\lambda^\pm \to W_\lambda^0$.

**Remark 4.1.** The wall-crossing diagram is not necessarily commutative.

Passing to the respective good moduli spaces [Alp13], the wall-crossing diagram yields a flip, blow-up/down, or fiber space contraction diagram of the usual projective toric varieties. The stacks $Z_\lambda^\pm$ become the exceptional loci. See Theorem 15.3.13 of [CLS11] in the case of a flip.

The vector space $W_\lambda^0$ carries a trivial $G_\text{m}$-action. Thus, any quasi-coherent sheaf $\mathcal{E}$ on $Z_\lambda^0$ decomposes as

$$\mathcal{E} = \bigoplus_{a \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{E}_a$$

corresponding to the local splitting of the associated $\mathbb{Z}$-graded module into homogeneous summands.

**Definition 4.2.** We let $\mathcal{E}_a$ be the $a$-th $\lambda$-weight space of $\mathcal{E}$. We set

$$\text{wt}_\lambda(\mathcal{E}) := \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \mathcal{E}_a \neq 0\}.$$ 

Note that $\text{wt}_\lambda(\mathcal{O}(\chi)) = \{\hat{\lambda}(\chi)\}$; or by a slight abuse of notation, $\text{wt}_\lambda(\mathcal{O}(\chi)) = \hat{\lambda}(\chi)$. For any $I \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$, let $C_\lambda(I)$ denote the full subcategory of $D^b(Z_\lambda^0)$ consisting of objects $\mathcal{E}$ with the weights of its cohomology sheaves in $I$,

$$\text{wt}_\lambda(\mathcal{H}^*\mathcal{E}) \subseteq I.$$

We set $C_\lambda(a) := C_\lambda(\{a\})$.

The $I$-window associated to $\lambda$, denoted $^I W_\lambda$, is the full subcategory of $D^b(X_\lambda^0)$ consisting of objects $\mathcal{E}$ whose derived restriction $(i^0)^* \mathcal{E}$ lies in $C_\lambda(I)$.

**Lemma 4.3.** Suppose that $\hat{\lambda}$ is primitive: if $nv = \hat{\lambda}$ for $v \in \hat{G}$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ then $v = \hat{\lambda}$.

For any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, there is an equivalence

$$D^b(Z_\lambda^0, \text{rig}) \cong C_\lambda(a).$$

Moreover, in this case, the rigidification of $Z_\lambda^0$ with respect to $G_\text{m}$ is given by

$$Z_\lambda^0, \text{rig} \cong \left[ (W_\lambda^0 \cap W^\text{ss}(\chi^0)) / (G/\lambda(G_\text{m})) \right].$$
Proof. The second statement is [ACV03, Section 5.1.3]. Note that we can split $G \cong G/\lambda(G_m) \times \lambda(G_m)$ since $\hat{\lambda}$ is primitive. Given the second statement, if we tensor an object $E$ of $\mathbb{D}^b(Z_{\lambda}^{0,\text{rig}})$ with $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec} k}(a)$ we get an object of $C_{\lambda}(a)$. This is the inverse to tensoring with $\mathcal{O}(-a)$ and pushing down via $Z_{\lambda}^{0} \to Z_{\lambda}^{0,\text{rig}}$. □

Some subsets of $\mathbb{Z}$ will be important. We set $t_{\lambda}^{\pm} := \hat{\lambda} \left( \omega_{[W_{\lambda}/G]||[W/G]} \right) = - \sum_{\pm \text{wt}_{\lambda}(x_i) > 0} \text{wt}_{\lambda}(x_i)$ and $I_{d,\lambda}^{\pm} := [d \pm t_{\lambda}^{\pm}, d - 1]$.

Note that $\mu_{\lambda} = t_{\lambda}^{+} + t_{\lambda}^{-}$. Windows allow us to lift derived categories.

**Proposition 4.4** (Fundamental Theorem of Windows I, Cor. 2.23 [Bal17], see also [HL15]). The functors

$$(j^{\pm})^* |_{W_{\lambda,I_{d,\lambda}^{\pm}}} : W_{\lambda,I_{d,\lambda}^{\pm}} \to \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{\pm})$$

are equivalences.

**Definition 4.5.** Since $\mathcal{W}_{\lambda,I_{d,\lambda}^{\pm}}$ is a full subcategory of $\mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{0})$, we may define

$Q_{d}^{\pm} : \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{\pm}) \to \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{0})$

as the inverse to $(j^{\pm})^* |_{W_{\lambda,I_{d,\lambda}^{\pm}}}$ followed by inclusion. We also define

$$\Phi_{d} := (j^{-})^* \circ Q_{d}^{+}$$
$$\Psi_{d} := (j^{+})^* \circ Q_{d}^{-}.$$  

**Remark 4.6.** Note that $(j^{\pm})^* \circ Q_{d}^{\pm} \cong 1_{\mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{\pm})}$, so that $Q_{d}^{\pm}$ is a right inverse to $(j^{\pm})^*$.

The following describes how the derived categories change when passing through a wall.

**Theorem 4.7** (Fundamental Theorem of Windows II, Thm. 2.29 [Bal17]). For any $d \in \mathbb{Z}$, there is a semi-orthogonal decomposition

$$\mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{\pm}) = \left\langle C_{\lambda}(d + t_{\lambda}^{+}), C_{\lambda}(d + 1 + t_{\lambda}^{+}), \ldots, C_{\lambda}(d - 1 - t_{\lambda}^{-}), \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{-}) \right\rangle$$

where the explicit fully-faithful functors are given by

$$\Upsilon_{d}^{+} := i_{d}^{-} \circ (\pi^{+})^* : C_{\lambda}(a) \to \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{+})$$

and

$$\Phi_{d} : \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{-}) \to \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{+})$$

Moreover,

$$\Psi_{d} : \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{+}) \to \mathbb{D}^b(X_{\lambda}^{-})$$

is the right adjoint (projection) functor to $\Phi_{d}$.  

Example 4.8. It is instructive to consider the case where \( W = \text{Spec}(k[x_1, x_2]) \) and \( G = \mathbb{G}_m \) with \( \bar{G} = \mathbb{Z} \) such that \( x_1, x_2 \) have degree 1. Here we take \( \lambda = \text{id}, \chi^+ = 1, \chi^- = -1 \) and \( x^0 = 0 \). We find that \( \omega_{W/G} = -2, \mu_{\lambda} = -2, t_+ = -2 \) and \( t_- = 0 \). We find \( X^+_\lambda = \mathbb{P}^1, X^-_{\lambda} = \emptyset, X^0_{\lambda} = [W/G] \). Then \( Z^+_{\lambda} = \mathbb{P}^1, Z^-_{\lambda} \cong \emptyset \) and \( Z^0_{\lambda} \cong BG \). The First Fundamental Theorem of Windows tells us that \( D^b(X^+_{\lambda}) = \langle \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1(d-2)}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1(d-1)} \rangle \), \( D^b(X^-_{\lambda}) = 0 \) for any \( d \). The result is also compatible with the Second Fundamental Theorem of Windows.

The following lemma allows us to track the action of \( \Psi_d \) for particular objects.

Lemma 4.9. If \( E = (j^+)^* F \) and \( \text{wt}_{\lambda}(F) \subseteq I^+_{d,\lambda} \), then \( \Psi_d(E) = (j^-)^* F \). In particular, if \( \lambda(\chi) \in I^+_{d,\lambda} \), then

\[
\Psi_d \left( \mathcal{O}_{X^+_{\lambda}}(\chi) \right) = \mathcal{O}_{X^-_{\chi}}(\chi).
\]

Proof. Note that \( Q^+_d \) sends any object \( A \) of \( D^b(X^+_{\lambda}) \) to the unique object \( B \) in \( D^b(X^0_{\lambda}) \) such that \( (j^+)^* B = A \) and \( (j^0)^* B \) lies in \( C_{\lambda, I^+_{d,\lambda}} \). Clearly, by assumption, \( F \) satisfies both of these conditions for \( E \). Hence

\[
\Psi_d(E) = (j^-)^* Q^+_d E = (j^-)^* F.
\]

\( \square \)

We provide a technical lemma before applying the above framework to generalized del Pezzo varieties.

Lemma 4.10. Let \( T \) be a triangulated category with a given semiorthogonal decomposition \( T = \langle A, B \rangle \), and let \( \Psi : T \to B \) be the right adjoint to the inclusion \( B \subseteq T \). Assume there is an object \( F \in T \) such that \( F \) generates \( A \) and \( \Psi(F) \) generates \( B \). Then \( F \) generates \( T \).

Proof. For any object \( C \in T \), we have a distinguished triangle \( C_b \to C \to C_a \), functorial in \( C \), where \( C_a \in A \) and \( C_b \in B \). Given generators \( A \) of \( A \) and \( B \) of \( B \), the object \( i_A(A) \oplus i_B(B) \) generates \( T \), where \( i_A \) and \( i_B \) are the inclusions of \( A \) and \( B \) in \( T \). The object \( F \) has associated triangle \( F_b \to F \to F_a \). Since \( F \) generates \( A \), it generates \( F_a \). We can thus generate \( F_b \) from \( F \) using the distinguished triangle above. Furthermore \( F_a \) generates \( A \). Note that \( F_b = i_B(\Psi(F)) \), so since \( \Psi(F) \) generates \( B \), it follows that \( F_b \) generates \( B \). Since \( F_a \) generates \( A \) and \( F_b \) generates \( B \), it follows that \( F \) generates \( T \). \( \square \)

5. Application of windows to del Pezzo varieties

Recall that \( Y_n \) denotes the blow-up of \( \mathbb{P}^n \) at the \((n+1)\) torus-invariant points. It is a toric variety with torus \( T = \mathbb{G}_m^n \). The spectrum of the Cox ring of \( Y_n \) is isomorphic to \( \mathbb{A}^{2n+2} \). Choosing a basis for \( \text{Div}_T(Y_n) \) consisting of

\[
\left\{ \bar{e}_0 := \left( H - \sum_{i \neq 0} E_i \right), \ldots, \bar{e}_n := \left( H - \sum_{i \neq n} E_i \right), e_0 := E_0, \ldots, e_n := E_n \right\}
\]

where \( E_i \) is the exceptional divisor for the \( i \)-th point and \( H \) is the hyperplane class, the action of the Picard torus \( G \cong \mathbb{G}_m^{n+2} \) on \( W := \mathbb{A}^{2n+2} \) gives a Pic(\( Y_n \)) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{n+2} \)-grading to the polynomial ring \( k[x_0, \ldots, x_n, y_0, \ldots, y_n] \) where we have correspondences \( x_i \leftrightarrow \bar{e}_i \) and

\[
\left\{ \bar{e}_0 := \left( H - \sum_{i \neq 0} E_i \right), \ldots, \bar{e}_n := \left( H - \sum_{i \neq n} E_i \right), e_0 := E_0, \ldots, e_n := E_n \right\}
\]
$y_i \leftrightarrow e_i$. Since we have a $\text{Pic}(Y_n)$-grading, we can and will identify characters of $G$ with elements of $\text{Pic}(Y_n)$. The weight matrix in the basis $H, E_0, \ldots, E_n$ is given by

$$
\gamma := \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -1 & \cdots & -1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
-1 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\
-1 & -1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \\
-1 & -1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}.
$$

For brevity, we set $E := \sum_{i=0}^{n} E_i$.

**Lemma 5.1.** There is an isomorphism

$$
V_n \cong W//_K G
$$

where $-K = (n+1)H - (n-1)E$ is the anticanonical divisor. There is also an isomorphism

$$
Y_n \cong W//_{H-tE} G
$$

where $0 < t \ll 1$.

**Proof.** We first treat the presentation of $V_n$ as a GIT quotient by comparing the description of the associated polytope given in [VK84, p. 234] with that given in [CLS11, §14.2]. Note that the polytope for $-K$ is centrally-symmetric. In [VK84], the authors use the polytope $P = \text{Conv}(\pm f_i \mid 0 \leq i \leq n)$ where

$$
f_0 = (-1, -1, \cdots, -1) \quad f_1 = (1, 0, \cdots, 0) \quad f_2 = (0, 1, \cdots, 0) \\
\vdots \quad f_n = (0, 0, \cdots, 1)
$$

in $N = \mathbb{Z}^n$. Let $P^\vee = (m \mid \pm m_i \geq -1$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $\pm \sum m_i \geq -1$) be its dual polytope in $M = N^\vee$. Turning to the GIT presentation, we have the usual short exact sequence for a toric variety $X$ with fan $\Delta$:

$$
0 \to M \to \mathbb{Z}^{\Delta(1)} \to \text{Pic}(X_\Delta) \to 0.
$$

Let $T$ be the torus of the toric variety $X_\Delta$. Note that $M = \hat{T}$ and $\text{Pic}(X_\Delta) = \hat{G}$, the character groups of $T$ and $G$. This sequence may be identified with

$$
0 \to \mathbb{Z}^n \cong \ker(\gamma) \xrightarrow{\delta} \mathbb{Z}^{2n+2} \xrightarrow{\gamma} \mathbb{Z}^{n+2} \to 0
$$

where $\delta$ is the inclusion. The matrix defining $\gamma$ is the weight matrix given above. It is clear that the kernel of $\gamma$ is given by

$$
\ker(\gamma) = \left\{ (\alpha, \beta) \mid \sum \alpha_i = 0 \text{ and } \beta_j - \sum_{i \neq j} \alpha_i = 0 \right\},
$$

where $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \ldots, \alpha_n)$ and $\beta = (\beta_0, \ldots, \beta_n)$. We have an isomorphism $\mathbb{Z}^n \to \ker(\gamma)$ via

$$(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) \mapsto \left( \sum \alpha_i, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_{n+1}, -\alpha_2, \ldots, -\alpha_{n+1} \right).$$
Dualizing, we have \( \delta(m) = (\langle m, \nu_1 \rangle, ..., \langle m, \nu_{2n+2} \rangle) \) for some \( \nu_1, ..., \nu_{2n+2} \in M^v = N \). These are precisely the elements of \( \Sigma(1) \). Thus, the dual matrix is given by

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
-1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\
1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\
-1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
0 & -1 & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & -1
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
\Id \\
-1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\
1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\
-\Id
\end{pmatrix}
\]

As shown in [CLS11, §14.2], the polytope of \( \mathbb{A}^{2n+2}/_{-K} G \) is given by

\[
\text{Conv}((\langle \alpha_2, ..., \alpha_{n+1} \rangle | - \sum \alpha_i \geq -1, \alpha_1 \geq -1, \sum \alpha_i \geq -1, -\alpha_i \geq -1)
\]

This is precisely the polytope \( P^v \) described above, and the claimed GIT description of \( V_n \) is verified.

For the presentation of \( Y_n \) as a GIT quotient, we note that \( H - tE \) is ample as a line bundle on \( Y_n \). Thus, taking the quotient of \( W \) relative to \( H - tE \) produces a variety on which \( H - tE \) (viewed as a bundle on this quotient) is ample, so these descriptions yield isomorphic varieties.

Knowing that \( V_n \) and \( Y_n \) occur as GIT quotients via linearizations in different chambers of the secondary fan, we analyze the wall-crossing behavior. Let us begin by identifying the walls. Consider the following cocharacters: for any subset \( J \subseteq \{0, 1, \ldots, n\} \), define

\[
\hat{\lambda}_J : \text{Pic}(Y_n) \to \mathbb{Z}
\]

\[
H \mapsto 1 - |J|
\]

\[
E_j \mapsto \begin{cases}
-1 & \text{if } j \in J \\
0 & \text{if } j \notin J
\end{cases}
\]

We denote the corresponding cocharacters by \( \lambda_J : \mathbb{G}_m \to G \). Note that for \( F_{c,L} = c(E - H) - \sum_{i \in L} E_i \), we have

\[
\hat{\lambda}_J(F_{c,L}) = c(-|J| - (1 - |J|)) + |L \cap J| - |L \cap J| - c.
\]

**Lemma 5.2.** The walls in the GIT fan are precisely those given by \( \hat{\lambda}_J = 0 \) for \( J \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\} \).

**Proof.** Walls in the GIT fan correspond to circuits in the set \( \Delta(1) \) of one-cones [CLS11, §15.3, p. 751]. Recall that a circuit in \( \Delta(1) \) is given by a linearly dependent set of ray generators such that each proper subset is linearly independent [CLS11, p. 751]. There are two ways to obtain such a collection. The first is to choose one of \( e_i \) or \( \overline{e_i} \) for each \( 0 \leq i \leq n \) since \( \overline{e_i} = -e_i \) in \( N \). In other words, for any subset \( J \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\} \), we take \( \overline{e_i} \) for \( i \notin J \) and \( e_i \) for \( i \in J \).
for \( i \in J \). Note that we have the following primitive relation amongst the elements of this circuit:

\[
\sum_{i \in J^c} e_i - \sum_{i \in J} e_i = 0.
\]

This is exactly the image of \( \tilde{\lambda}_J \). The other way to obtain a circuit is to take \( \{ e_i, \bar{e}_i \} \) for any \( i \in \{0, \ldots, n\} \). This is the image of \( \tilde{\lambda}_{[\infty,i]} \), which is defined via \( H \mapsto 1 \) and \( E_j \mapsto \delta_{ij} \). \( \Box \)

**Corollary 5.3.** The GIT quotient for the chamber with \( \text{wt}_{\tilde{\lambda}_J}(\chi) < 0 \) for \( |J| > 0 \) and \( \text{wt}_{\lambda_0}(\chi) > 0 \) is isomorphic to \( \mathbb{P}^n \).

**Proof.** We find it useful to the use the involution of \( G = \mathbb{G}^{n+2}_m \) given by

\[
(\beta, \alpha_0, \ldots, \alpha_n) \mapsto (\beta^{-1}, \beta \alpha_0, \ldots, \beta \alpha_n) =: (\gamma, \delta_0, \ldots, \delta_n).
\]

After applying this involution, the weight matrix becomes

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
-1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\]

Next we check that if \( y_0 = 0 \), then the point is unstable for \( \chi \). It suffices to exhibit a one-parameter subgroup \( \lambda \) of \( G \) such that

\[
\lim_{\alpha \to 0} \alpha \cdot (x_0, x_1, \ldots, x_n, 0, y_1, \ldots, y_n)
\]

exists and \( \text{wt}_{\lambda}(\chi) > 0 \). We can use \( \lambda^{-1}_{\{0\}} \) which, by assumption, satisfies \( \text{wt}_{\lambda^{-1}_{\{0\}}}(\chi) > 0 \) on the chamber. Appealing to \( S_{n+1} \)-symmetry, we see that to be semi-stable it is necessary that \( y_i \neq 0 \) for all \( i \). Consider the subgroup \( H = \{(1, \delta_0, \ldots, \delta_n)\} \subseteq G \). The \( H \)-invariant subring of \( k[x_0, \ldots, x_n, y_0^{\pm 1}, \ldots, y_n^{\pm 1}] \) is \( k[x_0 y_0^{-1}, \ldots, x_n y_n^{-1}] \) and it carries a \( \mathbb{G}^n_m \)-action from \( \gamma \) which has such that \( \text{wt}_{\lambda}(x_i y_i^{-1}) = -1 \). Thus,

\[
[(\mathbb{A}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{G}_m^{n+1})/G] \cong [\mathbb{A}^{n+1}/\mathbb{G}_m^n].
\]

Passing to the semi-stable locus gives \( \mathbb{P}^n \). \( \Box \)

The geometric manifestation of Lemma 5.2 is exactly the description relating \( \mathbb{P}^n \) and \( V_n \) via flips and then a blow-down to \( \mathbb{P}^n \). When crossing a wall (in the \( K \)-positive direction) corresponding to \( \frac{(n+1)}{2} \geq |J| \geq 2 \), we flip the contracting locus of \( \lambda_J \) for the repelling locus of \( \lambda_J \). When crossing a wall for \( J \) with \( |J| = 1 \), we blow down the corresponding exceptional divisor. Finally, when \( J = \emptyset \), we contract \( \mathbb{P}^n \) down to a point. Each of these exceptional/flipping loci are quotients of linear subspaces of \( W \).

**Remark 5.4.** To get a sense of \( \Sigma_{\text{GKZ}} \), consider the plane spanned by \( E \) and \( H \). This is presented in Figure 3. Note that the walls determined by \( \tilde{\lambda}_J \) for equal \( |J| \) coincide. Here \( \tilde{\lambda}_{[a]} \) denotes the intersection of \( \tilde{\lambda}_J \) with \( \text{span}\{E, H\} \) when \( a = |J| \), and \( \tilde{\lambda}_{[\infty]} \) denotes the intersection of \( \tilde{\lambda}_{[\infty,i]} \) (as defined in the proof of Lemma 5.2) with \( \text{span}\{E, H\} \).
Figure 3. Portion of $\Sigma_{GKZ}$ generated by $E$ and $H$, and walls relating $\mathbb{P}^n$, $Y_n$, and $V_n$ and their linearizations.

Notice that the anti-canonical divisor $-K$ lies on the ray emanating from the origin and passing through $(-(n - 1), n + 1)$. Taking absolute values of the slopes of $\hat{\lambda}_{[m]}$, $\hat{\lambda}_{[m-1]}$, and the line passing through $-K$, the inequalities

$$2m^2 + m - 1 \leq 2m^2 + m$$
$$\Rightarrow 2m^2 + 2m - m - 1 \leq 2m^2 + m$$
$$\Rightarrow (2m - 1)(m + 1) \leq 2m^2 + m$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{m+1}{m} \leq \frac{2m+1}{2m-1} = \frac{n+1}{n-1}$$

show that $-K$ lies above $\hat{\lambda}_{[m]}$. Similarly, the inequalities

$$2m^2 - m - 1 \leq 2m^2 - m$$
$$\Rightarrow 2m^2 - 2m + m - 1 \leq 2m^2 - m$$
$$\Rightarrow (2m + 1)(m - 1) \leq 2m^2 - m$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{n+1}{n-1} = \frac{2m+1}{2m-1} \leq \frac{m}{m-1}$$

show that $-K$ lies below $\hat{\lambda}_{[m-1]}$.

We need to identify the contracting and repelling loci associated to each $\lambda_J$. The following result verifies the above claim that these loci are linear subspaces of $W$.

**Lemma 5.5.** On $W$, the ideal of the contracting locus $W^+_J := W^+_J \lambda_J$ is $(y_j | j \in J)$, and the ideal of the repelling locus $W^-_J := W^-_J \lambda_J$ is $(x_i | i \not\in J)$. The ideal of the fixed locus $W_J := W_J \lambda_J$ is $(x_i, y_j | i \not\in J, j \in J)$.

**Proof.** This is obvious from the definitions. □
In light of Theorem 4.7, we also record \( t^\pm \) and \( \mu \) for each \( J \).

**Lemma 5.6.** Let \( t^+_J := t^+_J \), and \( \mu_J := \mu(\lambda_J) \) for \( J \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\} \). We have the following:

- \( t^+_J = \lambda \left( \omega_{[W^*_J/G][W/G]} \right) = -|J^c| \),
- \( t^-_J = \lambda \left( \omega_{[W^*_J/G][W/G]} \right) = |J| \).

Hence, \( \mu_J := t^+_J + t^-_J = |J| - |J^c| = 2|J| - n - 1 \).

**Proof.** This follows from
\[
\hat{\lambda}_J(e_i) = \begin{cases} 
-1 & \text{if } j \in J \\
0 & \text{if } j \notin J 
\end{cases}
\]
and
\[
\hat{\lambda}_J(\bar{e}_i) = \begin{cases} 
0 & \text{if } j \in J \\
1 & \text{if } j \notin J. 
\end{cases}
\]

The following lemma is the key observation in proving that \( F_n \) generates \( D^b(V_n) \). Given a set \( J \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\} \), we denote the Koszul complex associated to the set \( \{y_i \mid i \in J\} \) by \( K(J) \).

**Lemma 5.7.** Let \( J \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\} \) with \( |J| \leq \frac{n}{2} \). Let \( w \) be an integral point in the interval
\[
\left[ \frac{3n}{4} + |J| - n, \frac{3n + 2}{4} - |J| \right] = \left[ \frac{3n}{4} + |J^c|, |J^c| - \frac{n + 2}{4} \right].
\]

- If \( w \leq \frac{n}{4} \), the components of the tensor product \( K(J) \otimes O(w(E - H)) \) lie in \( F_n \).
- If \( w \geq \frac{n + 2}{4} \), the components of the tensor product \( K(J) \otimes O(w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J^c} E_i) \) lie in \( F_n \).

**Proof.** Using the action of \( S_{n+1} \), we may assume that \( J = \{0, 1, \ldots, |J| - 1\} \). Each component of the Koszul complex \( K(J) \) is given by \( O(-\sum_{i \in L} E_i) \) for some \( L \subseteq J \). Assume \( w \leq \frac{n}{4} \) and note that the tensor product \( O(-\sum_{i \in L} E_i) \otimes O(w(E - H)) \) is precisely the line bundle \( O(F_{w,L}) \). Thus, it suffices to check that \( (w, \ell) \in F_n \) whenever \( 0 \leq \ell \leq |J| \) and
\[
\frac{3n}{4} + |J| - n \leq w \leq \frac{3n + 2}{4} - |J|.
\]
Simplifying the first inequality yields \( |J| - \frac{n}{4} \leq w \). Using the assumption that \( w \leq \frac{n}{4} \), together with the fact that \( |L| \leq |J| \), we have
\[
|L| - \frac{n}{4} \leq |J| - \frac{n}{4} \leq w \leq \frac{n}{4}.
\]
Thus, \( O(F_{w,L}) \in F_n \) by definition. Assume that \( w \geq \frac{n + 2}{4} \) and note the tensor product \( O(-\sum_{i \in L} E_i) \otimes O(w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J^c} E_i) \) is the line bundle \( F_{w,L,J^c} \). Thus, we need to check that \( (w, \ell + |J^c|) \in F_n \) whenever \( 0 \leq \ell \leq |J| \) and
\[
\frac{3n}{4} + |J| - n \leq w \leq \frac{3n + 2}{4} - |J|.
\]
Note that
\[
\frac{3n + 2}{4} - |J| = |J^c| - \frac{n + 2}{4}.
\]
Using the assumption that $w \geq \frac{n+2}{4}$, we obtain

$$\frac{n+2}{4} \leq w \leq |J^c| - \frac{n+2}{4} \leq |J| - \frac{n+2}{4}.$$

So $F_{w, L_J J^c} \in F_n$ by definition.

**Corollary 5.8.** Let $U \subseteq W$ be any $G$-stable open subset of $W$. The smallest full triangulated subcategory of $D_G^b(U) \cong D^b([U/G])$ containing the line bundles in $F_n$ also contains, for each $J \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\}$ with $|J| \leq \frac{n}{2}$ and each integer $w$ in the interval $\left[\frac{3n+1}{4} - |J^c|, |J^c| - \frac{n+2}{4}\right]$, the objects $O_{U \cap W^+_J}(w(E - H))$ when $w \leq \frac{n}{4}$ and $O_{U \cap W^+_{J, j}}(w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J, k} E_i)$ when $w \geq \frac{n+2}{4}$.

**Proof.** The Koszul complex $K(J)$ is quasi-isomorphic to $O_{W^+_J}$. Lemma 5.7 shows that $K(J) \otimes O(w(E - H))$ is a complex consisting of objects of $F_n$ when $w \leq \frac{n}{4}$ and $K(J) \otimes O(w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J, k} E_i)$ is a complex consisting of objects of $F_n$. Thus, we can generate $O_{U \cap W^+_J}(w(E - H))$ for $w \leq \frac{n}{4}$ and $O_{W^+_J}(w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J, k} E_i)$ for $w \geq \frac{n+2}{4}$ in $D_G^b(W) \cong D^b([W/G])$. Since restriction to $U$ is exact, the analogous statement on $U$ holds. □

Let us set up some notation to handle the full run of the MMP.

**Notation 5.9.** For any set $S$, let $P(\ell, S) = \{J \subseteq S \mid |J| = \ell\}$. If $S = \{0, \ldots, m\}$, let $P(\ell, S)$ be denoted $P(\ell, m)$. We view $P(\ell, m)$ as an ordered set using the lexicographic order and denote its elements by $J_1, \ldots, J_m$. This induces a total ordering on the full power set where the minimal element is $\emptyset$. For each $J$, we let $\Sigma^+_J$ and $\Sigma^-_J$ be the following chambers in the GIT fan:

$$\Sigma^+_J = \{\chi \in \Sigma_{\text{GKZ}} \mid \hat{\lambda}_{J'}(\chi) > 0 \text{ for } J' \leq J \text{ and } \hat{\lambda}_{J'}(\chi) < 0 \text{ for } J' > J\}$$

$$\Sigma^-_J = \{\chi \in \Sigma_{\text{GKZ}} \mid \hat{\lambda}_{J'}(\chi) > 0 \text{ for } J' < J \text{ and } \hat{\lambda}_{J'}(\chi) < 0 \text{ for } J' \geq J\}.$$

We let $X^+_J$ be a GIT quotient for a linearization in $\Sigma^+_J$, and $X^-_J$ the GIT quotient corresponding to the generic linearization in the wall for $J$ [CLS11, Def. 14.3.13]. The sequence of birational maps given by crossing walls according to this ordering begins at $V_n$ and terminates at $\mathbb{P}^n$.

As described in Section 4, passing through the wall corresponding to $J$ yields a diagram where we replace the subscripts $\lambda_J$ with $J$ for brevity:
Lemma 5.10. We have isomorphisms
\[ Z^+_J \cong \mathbb{P}^{\lvert J \rvert - 1} \]
\[ Z^-_J \cong \mathbb{P}^{\lvert J \rvert - 1} \]
\[ Z^0_{J, \text{rig}} \cong \text{Spec } k. \]
Moreover, these induce isomorphisms of sheaves \( \mathcal{O}(D)|_{Z^+_J} \cong \mathcal{O}_{Z^+_J}(\pm \lambda_J(D)) \) for any divisor \( D \) on \( X^+_J \).

Proof. We handle the (+) claims. The statements for the (−) side are proven completely analogously.

On \( W \), the ideal \( (y_j \mid j \in J) \) defines the contracting locus \( W^+_J \), so that functions on \( W^+_J \) are given by \( k[x_0, \ldots, x_n] \otimes_k k[y_i \mid i \notin J] \). Assume that \( y_i = 0 \) for some point \( p \in W^+_J \) and some \( l \notin J \). Then \( \lambda_{J \setminus \{l\}} \) destabilizes \( p : \lambda_{J \setminus \{l\}} \) is negative on this chamber and \( p \) lies in the contracting locus of \( \lambda_{J \setminus \{l\}} \), since \( \lambda_{J \setminus \{l\}} \) has positive weights on \( k[x_0, \ldots, x_n] \otimes_k k[y_i \mid j \notin J \cup \{l\}] \).

Assume that \( x_j = 0 \) for \( j \in J \) for some point \( p \in W^+_J \). Then \( \lambda_J \lambda_{J \setminus \{j\}}^{-1} \) destabilizes \( p \). The weights \( x_l \) for \( l \neq j \) and \( y_i \) for \( i \notin J \) are non-negative. The chamber \( \Sigma^+_J \) lies in the positive half-spaces for both \( \hat{\lambda}_J \) and \( \hat{\lambda}_{J \setminus \{j\}} \). But \( \hat{\lambda}_J = 0 \) intersects the closure of \( \Sigma^+_J \). Thus, \( \Sigma^+_J \) lies in the negative half-space associated to \( \lambda_J \lambda_{J \setminus \{j\}}^{-1} \).

Additionally, \( \lambda_J^{-1} \) destabilizes any point with all \( x_i = 0 \) for all \( i \notin J \).

We have determined that we have a \( G \)-equivariant open immersion
\[ W^+_J \cap W^{\text{ss}}(\chi^+) \subset (\mathbb{A}^{\lvert J \rvert} \setminus \{0\}) \times \mathbb{G}_m^{n+1}. \]
The Hilbert-Mumford numerical criterion says that \( W^{\text{us}}(\chi^+) \) is the union of the contracting loci for one-parameter subgroups \( \lambda \) with \( \hat{\lambda}(\chi^+) < 0 \), i.e.
\[ W^{\text{us}}(\chi^+) = \bigcup_{\hat{\lambda}(\chi^+) < 0} W^+_\lambda. \]

We recall the subgroup \( H \) from the proof of Corollary 5.8. Since the subgroup generated by \( \delta_i \) for all \( i \) acts by multiplication on the torus factor, there is no contracting locus for one-parameter subgroups. Thus, we may pass directly to the invariant theory quotient by \( H \) and then subsequently consider the GIT quotient by \( G/H \).

Taking the quotient by \( H \) yields the subring \( k[x_i y_i^{-1} \mid i \notin J] \). Note that \( \lambda_J \) has weight 1 on each \( x_i y_i^{-1} \) for \( i \notin J \) and induces an isomorphism \( G/H \cong \mathbb{G}_m \). Thus, the above immersion is an equality and \( Z^+_J \cong \mathbb{P}^{\lvert J \rvert - 1} \), where \( \lambda_J \) induces the standard action on \( \mathbb{A}^{\lvert J \rvert} \).

Turning to the fixed locus, one can argue as above to conclude that
\[ W^0_J \cap W^{\text{ss}}(\chi^0) \cong \mathbb{G}_m^{n+1} \]
with trivial \( \lambda_J \)-action. So we have \( Z^0_J \cong B \mathbb{G}_m \). It then follows from Lemma 4.3 that \( Z^0_{J, \text{rig}} = \text{Spec } k. \)

Notation 5.11. Following the identification in Lemma 5.10, we will write \( \mathcal{O}(a) \) for the sheaf corresponding to \( \mathcal{O}(a) \) on \( \mathbb{P}^{\lvert J \rvert - 1} \).
Let us now apply the above framework to our situation. For each \( J \subseteq \{0, 1, \ldots, n\} \) we can apply Theorem 4.7 to the wall crossing at \( \lambda_J \).

**Proposition 5.12.** Let \( J \subseteq \{0, 1, \ldots, n\} \) with \(|J| \leq \frac{n}{2}\). For any \( d \in \mathbb{Z} \), there is a semi-orthogonal decomposition

\[
\mathcal{D}^b(X^+_J) = \left\langle \mathcal{O}_{Z^+_J}(d - |J^c|), \ldots, \mathcal{O}_{Z^+_J}(d - 1 - |J|), \mathcal{D}^b(X^-_J) \right\rangle,
\]

and if \( \hat{\lambda}_J(\chi) \in [d - |J^c|, d - 1] = I^+_{d,J} \), then \( \Psi_d(\mathcal{O}_{X^+_J}(\chi)) = \mathcal{O}_{X^-_J}(\chi) \).

**Proof.** This follows from Theorem 4.7 and Lemma 4.9 as soon as we identify \( C_{\lambda}(i) \) with \( \mathcal{O}_{P^+_J} - 1(i) \). But Lemmas 4.3 and 5.10 give this identification. \(\square\)

We next record an elementary statement for use momentarily.

**Lemma 5.13.** Let \( n \) be an even integer. Then

\[
\left\lceil \frac{n+2}{4} \right\rceil - 1 = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor.
\]

**Proof.** We write \( n = 2m \) and treat the cases where \( m \) is even or odd. If \( m = 2l \), then

\[
\left\lceil \frac{n+2}{4} \right\rceil - 1 = \left\lfloor l + \frac{1}{2} \right\rfloor - 1 = l - 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{1}{2} \right\rfloor = l
\]

and

\[
\left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor = l.
\]

If \( m = 2l + 1 \), then

\[
\left\lceil \frac{n+2}{4} \right\rceil - 1 = l
\]

and

\[
\left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor l + \frac{1}{2} \right\rfloor = l.
\]

\(\square\)

We now turn to generating the wall contributions.

**Lemma 5.14.** The values of \( \hat{\lambda}_J \) on \( F_n \) lie in the interval

\[
\left\lceil \frac{n+2}{4} \right\rceil - |J^c|, \left\lceil \frac{n+2}{4} \right\rceil - 1 \right\rangle = I^+_{(n+2)/4,J^c}.
\]

**Proof.** We first note that

\[
\frac{n+2}{4} - |J^c| = |J| - \frac{3n+2}{4}.
\]

Recall that for \( c \in \mathbb{Z} \) and \( L \subseteq \{0, \ldots, n\} \), we have \( F_{c,L} = c(E - H) - \sum_{j \in L} E_j \). We use the fact that \( \hat{\lambda}_J(F_{c,L}) = |L \cap J| - c \). We check the above claim using the defining equations of \( F_n \).

Let \( (c, L) \) satisfy \( |L| - \frac{n}{2} \leq c \leq \frac{n}{2} \) and let \( |J| \leq \frac{n}{2} \). Clearly, \( |L| - c \geq |L \cap J| - c \geq -c \). Using our defining equation, we have \( \frac{n}{4} \geq |L| - c \geq |L \cap J| - c \), giving the claimed upper bound on \( |L \cap J| - c \).
To get the lower bound, we use $|L \cap J| - c \geq -c$ and $c \leq \frac{n}{4}$, so that $|L \cap J| - c \geq -\frac{n}{4}$. But $\frac{n}{4} < \frac{n}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{n+2}{4} = \frac{3n-2n+2}{4} = \frac{3n+2}{4} - \frac{2n}{4}$. Since $|J| \leq \frac{n}{2}$, we have

$$|L \cap J| - c \geq -\frac{n}{4} > |J| - \frac{3n+2}{4}.$$  

We now show the claim holds when the second defining equation of $F_n$ is satisfied. Assume $(c, L)$ satisfies $\frac{n+2}{4} \leq c \leq |L \cap J| - n$. We have

$$c - |L \cap J| \geq c - |J|$$

$$\geq \frac{n+2}{4} - |J|$$

$$\geq \frac{n+2}{4} - \frac{n}{2}$$

$$= \frac{n+2-2n}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-n+2}{4}$$

$$\geq -\frac{n}{4}.$$  

For the claimed lower bound, we have

$$|L| - |L \cap J| = |L \cap J^c|$$

$$\leq |J^c|$$

$$= n+1 - |J|$$

$$= \frac{3n+2}{4} + \frac{n+2}{4} - |J|.$$  

Subtracting $\frac{n+2}{4}$ from the first and last terms gives

$$c - |L \cap J| \leq |L| - \frac{n+2}{4} - |L \cap J| \leq \frac{3n+2}{4} - |J|.$$  

We have shown the weights are in the set

$$\left[ \left[ \frac{n+2}{4} - |J^c|, \frac{n}{4} \right] \cap \mathbb{Z} \right].$$  

This equals

$$\left[ \left[ \frac{n+2}{4} - |J^c|, \frac{n}{4} \right] \right. \cap \mathbb{Z}.$$  

Appealing to Lemma 5.13 shows that

$$\left[ \left[ \frac{n+2}{4} - |J^c|, \frac{n}{4} \right] \right. = \left[ \left[ \frac{n+2}{4} - |J^c|, \frac{n+2}{4} - 1 \right] \right.$$

Lemma 5.15. The collection $F_n$, viewed as line bundles on $X^+_j$, generates the sheaves

$$\mathcal{O}_{Z^+_j} \left( \left[ \frac{n+2}{4} - |J^c| \right], \ldots, \mathcal{O}_{Z^+_j} \left( \left[ \frac{n+2}{4} \right] - 1 - |J| \right).$$
Proof. Assume that $w$ lies in
\[ \left[ \frac{3n + 4}{4} - |J^c|, |J^c| - \frac{n + 2}{4} \right] \cap \mathbb{Z}. \]

Let $U$ be a $G$-stable open subset of $W$. From Corollary 5.8, if $w \leq \frac{n}{4}$, then the collection $F_n$ generates $O_{U \cap W^j}(w(E - H))$. If $w \geq \frac{(n+2)}{4}$, then $F_n$ generates $O_{U \cap W^j}(w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J^c} E_i)$. We take $U = W^{ss}(\chi^+)$ and recall that $Z^+_j$ is $[U \cap W^+_j] / G$.

Thus, $F_n$ generates $O_{Z^+_j}(w(E - H))$ for $w \leq \frac{n}{4}$ and $O_{Z^+_j}(w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J^c} E_i)$ for $w \geq \frac{(n+2)}{4}$. The weights with respect to $\lambda_J$ are
\[ \hat{\lambda}_J(w(E - H)) = -w + |J \cap \emptyset| = -w \]
\[ \hat{\lambda}_J \left( w(E - H) - \sum_{i \in J^c} E_i \right) = -w + |J \cap J^c| = -w. \]

Applying Lemma 5.10 and using the $\lambda_J$-weight computations, when $w \in \left[ \frac{3n + 4}{4} - |J^c|, |J^c| - \frac{n + 2}{4} \right] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ the collection $F_n$ will generate $O_{Z^+_j}(a)$ for
\[ a \in \left[ \frac{n + 2}{4} - |J^c|, |J^c| - \frac{3n + 4}{4} \right] \cap \mathbb{Z}. \]

Note that
\[ |J^c| - \frac{3n + 4}{4} = \frac{n}{4} - |J|. \]

Thus, the collection $F_n$ will generate $O_{Z^+_j}(a)$ for
\[ a \in \left[ \frac{n + 2}{4} - |J^c|, \frac{n}{4} - |J| \right] \cap \mathbb{Z}. \]

Appealing to Lemma 5.13 gives the desired statement. \qed

Finally, we can easily handle the generation result for $F_n$.

**Theorem 5.16.** The collection $F_n$ generates the category $D^b(V_n)$.

**Proof.** Set
\[ d := \left\lceil \frac{n + 2}{4} \right\rceil. \]

Using Proposition 5.12, we have a semi-orthogonal decomposition
\[ D^b(X^+_j) = \left< O_{Z^+_j} \left( \left\lceil \frac{n + 2}{4} \right\rceil - |J^c| \right) , \ldots , \right. \]
\[ \left. O_{Z^+_j} \left( \left\lceil \frac{n + 2}{4} \right\rceil - 1 - |J| \right) \right>, D^b(X^-) \right>. \]

By Lemma 5.14, the collection $F_n$, viewed as line bundles, generates the components
\[ O_{Z^+_j} \left( \left\lceil \frac{n + 2}{4} \right\rceil - |J^c| \right) , \ldots , O_{Z^+_j} \left( \left\lceil \frac{n + 2}{4} \right\rceil - 1 - |J| \right). \]

To show that $F_n$ generates $D^b(V_n)$, we work via (downward) induction on the lexicographic ordering given above on $J \subseteq \{0, \ldots , n\}$ with $|J| \leq \frac{n}{2}$. Using Lemma 4.10 and the
semi-orthogonal decomposition above, we see that $F_n$ generates $D^b(X^+_f)$ if $\Psi_{\lfloor (n+2)/4 \rfloor}(F_n)$ generates $D^b(X^-_f)$.

Using the second statement of Proposition 5.12 and weights of $F_n$ computed in Lemma 5.14, we see that $\Psi_{\lfloor (n+2)/4 \rfloor}(F_n) = F_n$ (recall we are identifying these elements with their corresponding line bundles). Thus, we reduce to the base case of the induction: $X^-_f = \emptyset$. Since $D^b(X^-_f) = 0$, the statement here is trivial. □

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