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For classical groups the weak packets (and more) were computed, at least in small examples, by Jonathan Fernandes (UMD thesis, 2019).

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0	[0,0]	[0,0]	0	2T1	G2	[1]
1	[1,2]	[0,1]	6	A1+T1	A1	[1]
2	[2,3]	[1,0]	8	A1+T1	A1	[1]
3	[2,4]	[0,2]	10	G2	e	[1,2,3]
4	[6,10]	[2,2]	12	G2	e	[1]

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orbit	B	C	parameters	inf. char.
0	0	0	(x=9,lambda=[1,1]/1,nu=[0,0]/1)	[0, 0]/1
0	1	0	(x=0,lambda=[0,0]/1,nu=[0,0]/1)	[0, 0]/1
1	0	1	(x=9,lambda=[1,1]/1,nu=[1,0]/2)	[1, 0]/2
1	0	2	(x=9,lambda=[2,1]/1,nu=[1,0]/2)	[1, 0]/2
2	0	1	(x=9,lambda=[1,2]/1,nu=[0,1]/2)	[0, 1]/2
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3	0	1	(x=4,lambda=[1,0]/1,nu=[2,-1]/2)	[1, 0]/1
3	0	1	(x=8,lambda=[3,0]/1,nu=[1,0]/1)	[1, 0]/1
3	0	2	(x=2,lambda=[1,0]/1,nu=[0,0]/1)	[1, 0]/1
3	0	2	(x=6,lambda=[4,-1]/1,nu=[3,-1]/2)	[1, 0]/1
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$SU(2)$	1	1	
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$Sp(1, 1)$	3	3	1,1,1
$Sp(2)$	1	1	
$Sp(6, \mathbb{R})$	7	47	7,6,16,2,7,8,1

G_2 (split)	5	12	2,2,2,5,1
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F_4 (split)	16	75	3,4,10,5,2,4,2,7,2,8,14,2,4,3,4,1
$F_4(B_4)$	3	3	1,1,1
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E_6 (split)	21	68	3,4,5,4,7,4,2,3,4,2,4,7,3,2,2,2,2,4,2,1,1
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$E_7(E_6 T)$	13	28	3,1,1,5,1,2,2,1,5,1,3,2,1
$E_7(D_6 A_1 T)$	25	56	2,2,2,1,3,2,4,1,1,3,3,2 1,2,3,7,1,1,2,1,2,6,2,1,1
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 4536,4536,4536,525,3500,6075,7560,2835,4536,8800,3500,6075,6075,4200,
 4200,8800,46676,22778,4200,4200,38766,4200,2100,8800,4536,4200,8800,4200,
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