IDP for 2-Partition Maximal Polytopes

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A (lattice) polytope *P* has the **integer decomposition property** (IDP) provided for all $t \in \mathbb{Z}^{>0}$ and (integer point) $x \in tP$, there exists $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_t \in P$ so that

$$x = x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_t.$$

That is, the integer points in the t^{th} dialation of P is a sum of t points in P.

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How can we build symmetric polytopes in general?

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