

# Discrete Symmetries of Quiver Theories and Wrapped Branes

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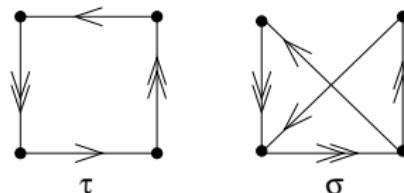
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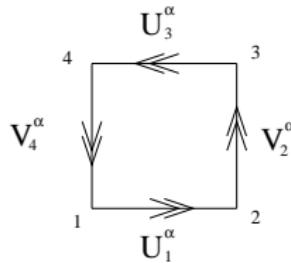
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Unit cells



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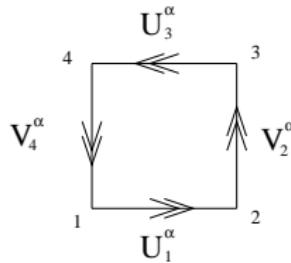
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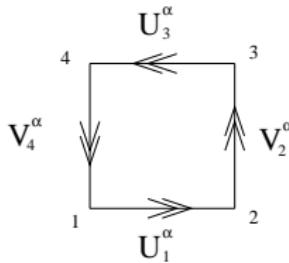
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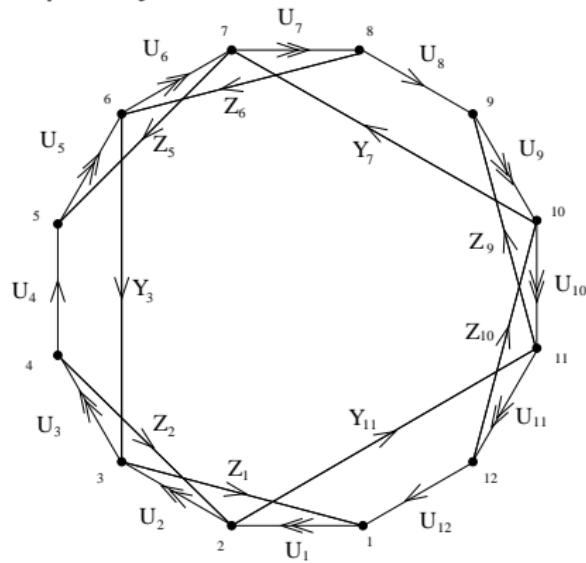
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# General $Y^{p,q}$ ( $p, q$ not coprime)

We find this to be a general pattern,  
even for complicated  $Y^{p,q}!$

We work out explicitly:



# Conclusions

For a large class of theories, we find that

**Wrapped Brane Number Operators**

**DO NOT COMMUTE!**

(Worked on by D. Belov and G. Moore)

We later generalize this to even the non-conformal case!

(hep-th/0603114)

(also, see hep-th/0412193 Herzog, Ejaz, Klebenov for  
non-conformal generalizations)