

Title: Bipartite Graphs, Quivers and Gauge Theories

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Abstract: We discuss how bipartite graphs on Riemann surfaces encapture a wealth of information about the physics of large classes of supersymmetric gauge theories, especially those with quiver structure and arising from the AdS/CFT context. The correspondence between the gauge theory, the underlying algebraic geometry of its space of vacua, the combinatorics of dimers and toric varieties, as well as the number theory of dessin d'enfants becomes particularly intricate under this light.

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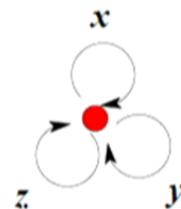
Two most famous SCFTs in 4-D

- $\mathcal{N} = 4$ $U(N)$ Yang-Mills

- 3 adjoint fields X, Y, Z with superpotential

$$W = \text{Tr}(X[Y, Z]) = \text{Tr}(XYZ - XZY)$$

- Original AdS/CFT: N D3-branes transverse to flat \mathbb{R}^6

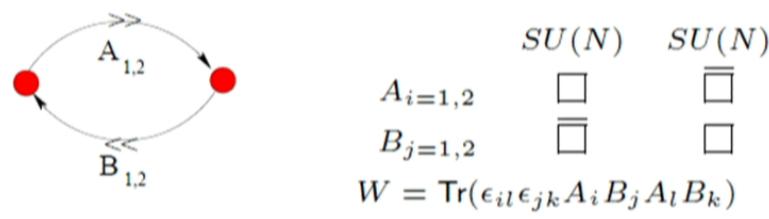


NODE = Gauge Group

ARROW = Bi-fundamental (Adj) Field

- QUIVER = Finite graph (label = rk(gauge factor)) + relations from SUSY
 - Matter Content: Nodes + arrows
 - Relations (F-Terms): $D_i W = 0 \rightsquigarrow [X, Y] = [Y, Z] = [X, Z] = 0$
- # gauge factors = $N_g = 1$; # fields = $N_f = 3$; # terms in $W = N_w = 2$

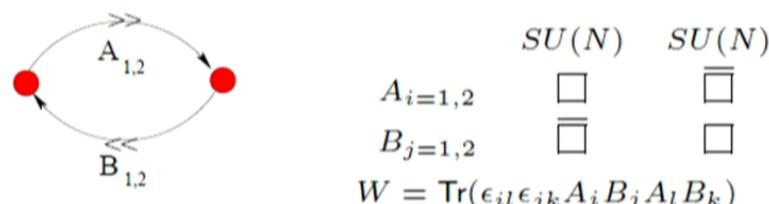
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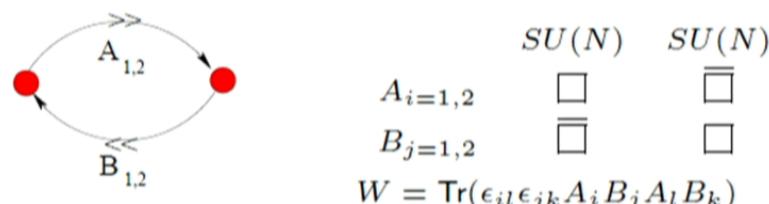
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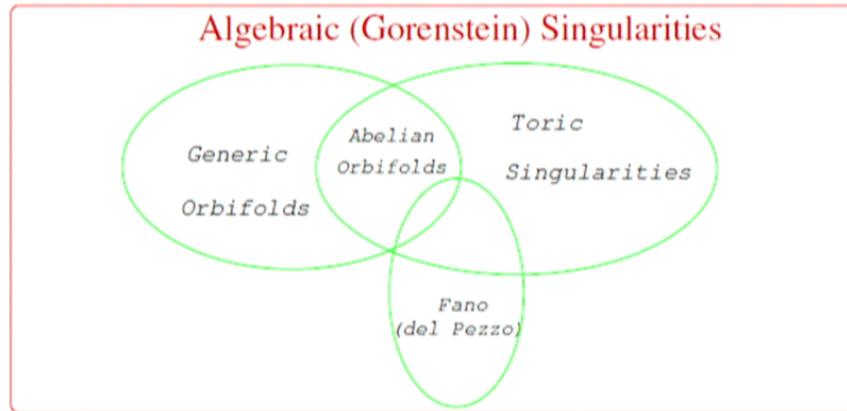
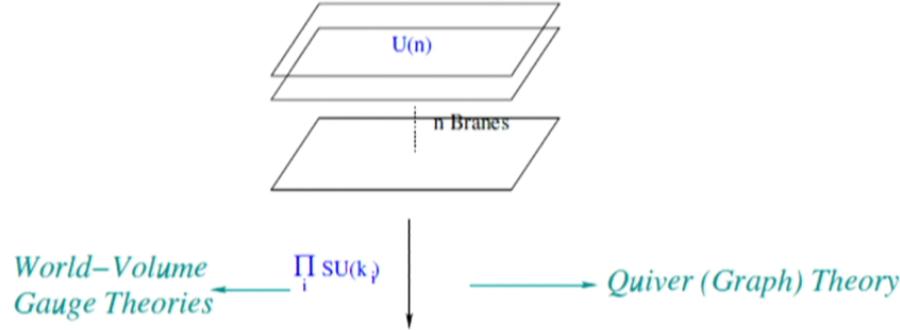
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An Computational Approach

- Programme to study the computational algebraic geometry of \mathcal{M} : w/ Gray, Jejjala, Nelson; Hauenstein, Mehta; Hanany, Mekareeya; Chuang, Hewlett;
 - ➊ n -fields: start with polynomial ring $\mathbb{C}[\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n]$
 - ➋ $D = \text{set of } k \text{ GIO's: a ring map } \mathbb{C}[\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n] \xrightarrow{D} \mathbb{C}[D_1, \dots, D_k]$
 - ➌ Now incorporate superpotential: F-flatness
$$\langle f_{i=1, \dots, n} = \frac{\partial W(\phi_i)}{\partial \phi_i} = 0 \rangle \simeq \text{ideal of } \mathbb{C}[\phi_1, \dots, \phi_k]$$
 - ➍ Moduli space = image of the ring map
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- Image is an ideal of $\mathbb{C}[D_1, \dots, D_k]$, i.e.,
$$\mathcal{M} \text{ explicitly realised as an affine variety in } \mathbb{C}^k$$
- Gröbner Bases: implemented in MACAULAY2, Singular...
- Numerical AG: implemented in Bertini...

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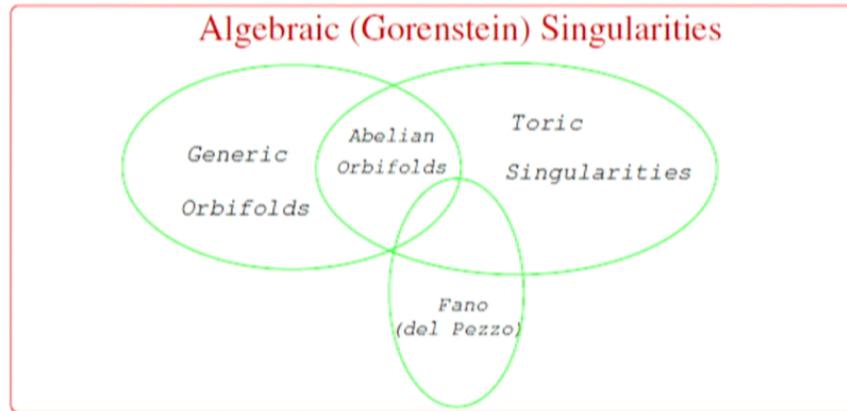
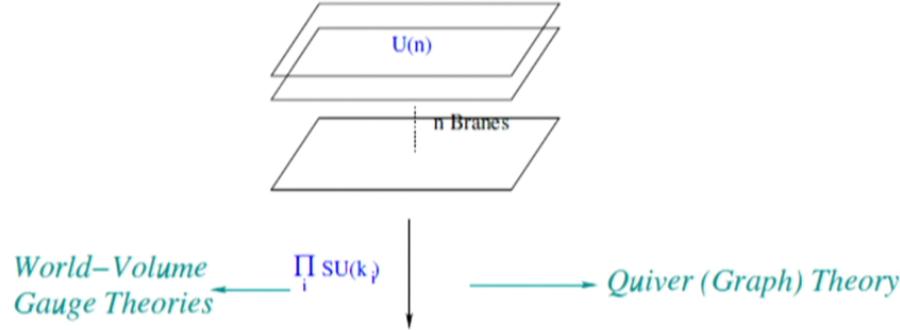
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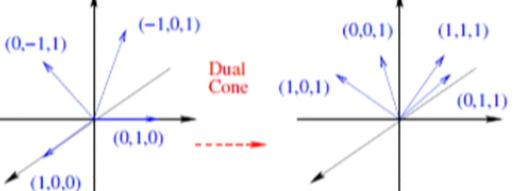
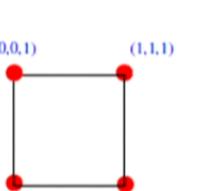
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Notation for Affine Toric Variety

Def		Example (Conifold)
Comb.:	Convex Cone $\sigma \in \mathbb{Z}^d \rightsquigarrow$ Dual Cone $\sigma^\vee \rightsquigarrow X =$ $\text{Spec}_{\text{Max}} \mathbb{C}[S_\sigma = x_i^{\text{gen}(\sigma^\vee) \cap \mathbb{Z}^d}]$ Toric Diagram = S_σ	 $S_\sigma = \langle a = z, c = yz, b = xyz, d = xz \rangle$ $ab = cd \text{ in } \mathbb{C}^4[a, b, c, d]$
Symp:	Generalise \mathbb{P}^n : a $(\mathbb{C}^*)^{q-d}$ action on $\mathbb{C}_{[x_i]}^q$ $x_i \mapsto \lambda_a^{Q_{i=1 \dots q}^{a=1 \dots q-d}} x_i$ with Relations: $\sum_{i=1}^d Q_i^a v_i = 0$ Toric Diagram = v_i	 $Q = [-1, -1, 1, 1]$ $\mathbb{C}^* \text{ on } \mathbb{C}^4 \rightsquigarrow$ $\ker Q = G_t = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
Comp:	Binomial Ideal $\langle \prod p_i = \prod q_j \rangle$	$ab = cd \text{ in } \mathbb{C}^4$

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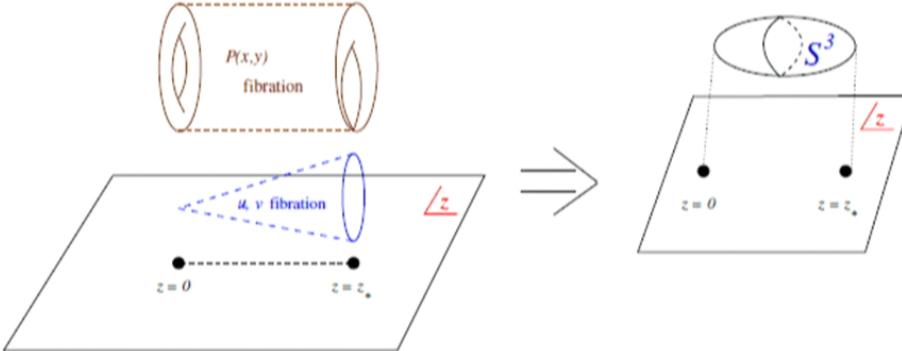


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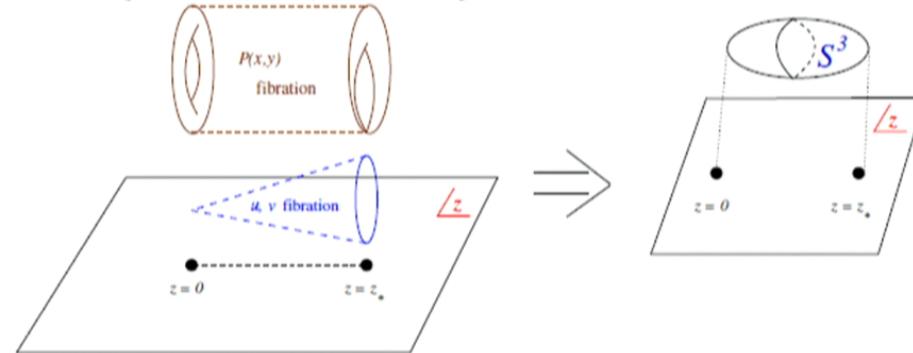
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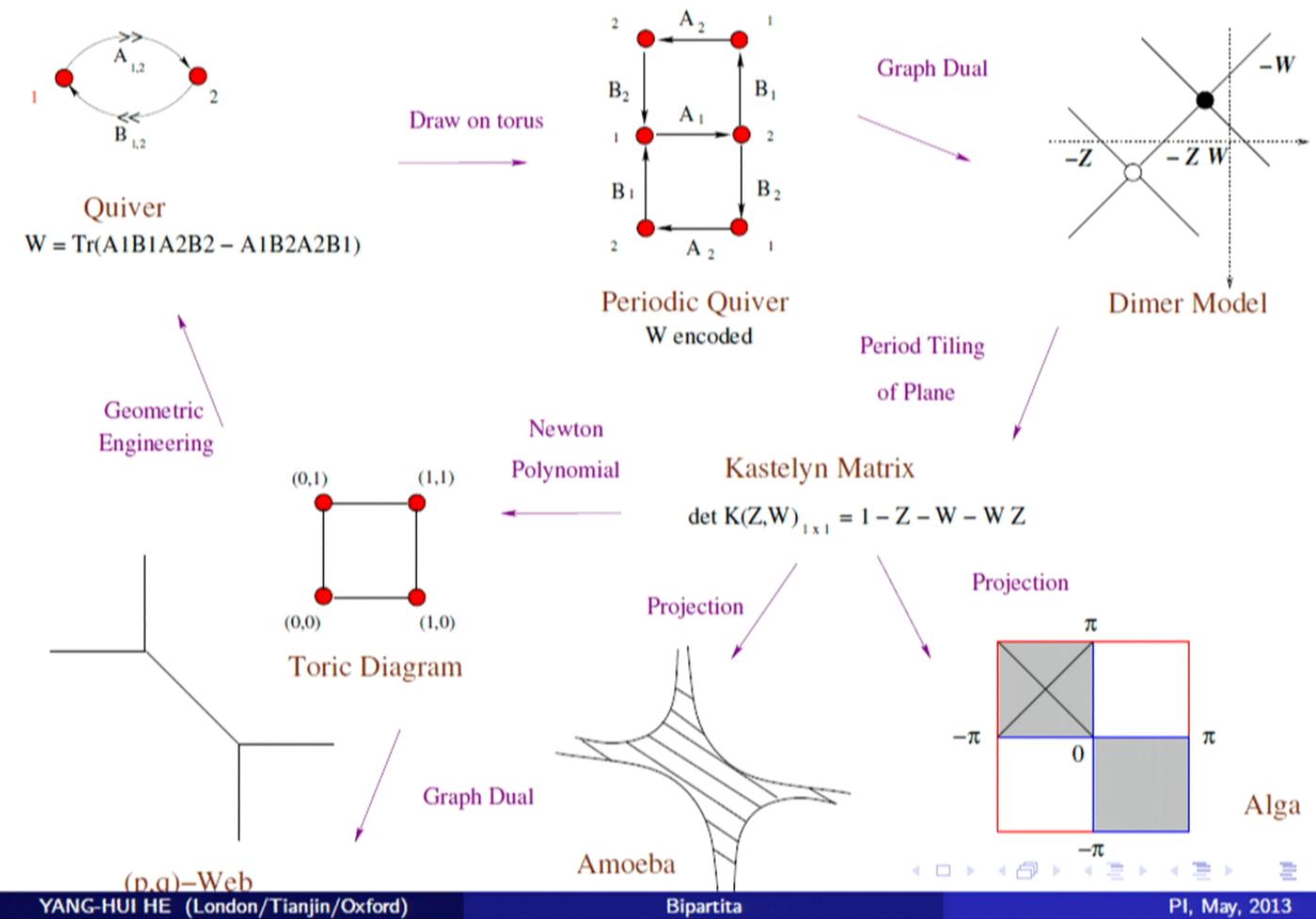
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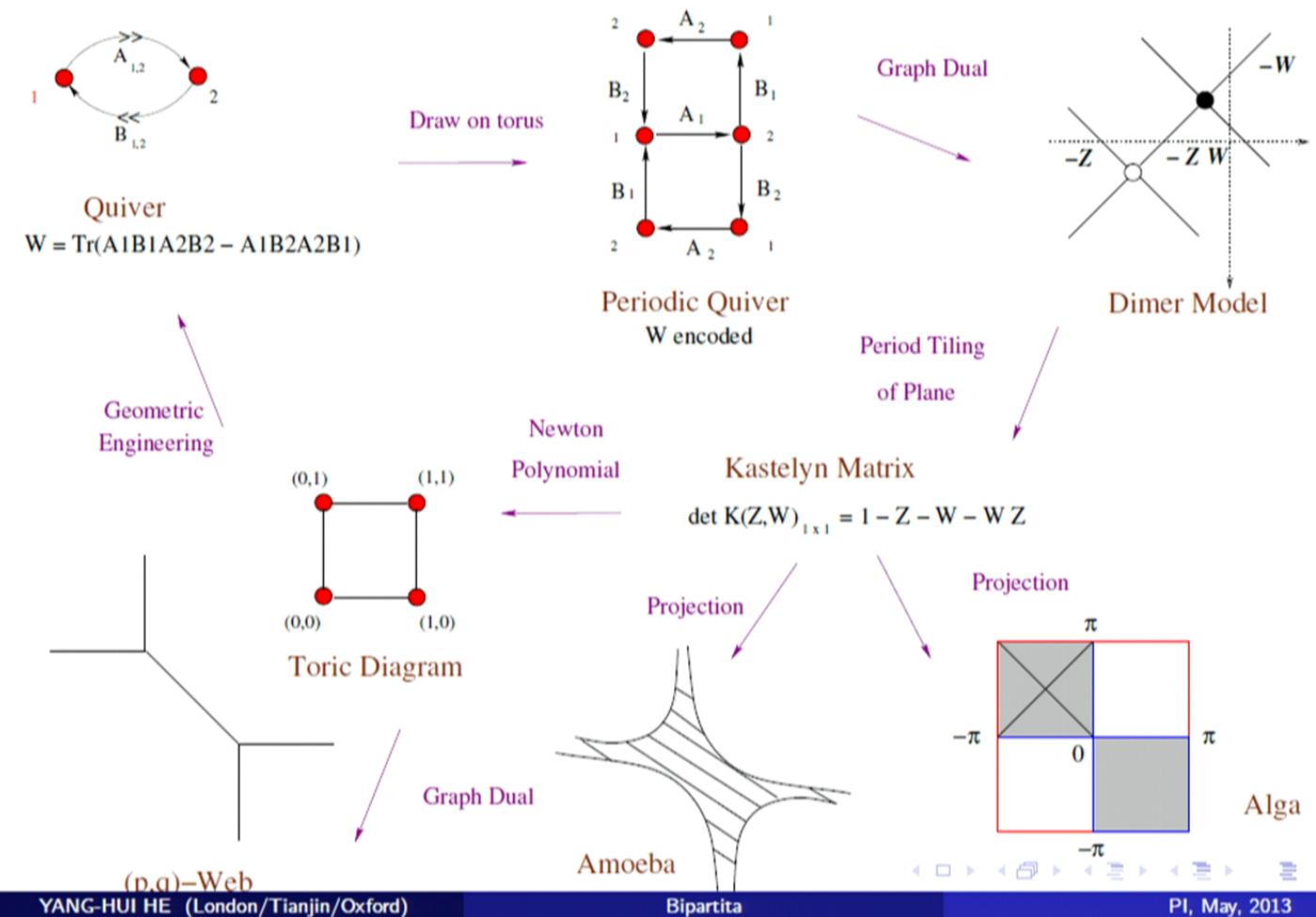
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A Quiver Duality from Seiberg Duality

We have quiver labeled by $(N_c)_i$ and arrows a_{ij} :

- ① Pick dualisation node i_0 with N_c , and define:

$I_{in} :=$ nodes having arrows going into i_0

$I_{out} :=$ nodes having arrow coming from i_0

$I_{no} :=$ nodes unconnected with i_0

- ② $N_c \rightarrow N_f - N_c$ (where $N_f = \sum_{i \in I_{in}} a_{i,i_0} = \sum_{i \in I_{out}} a_{i_0,i}$)

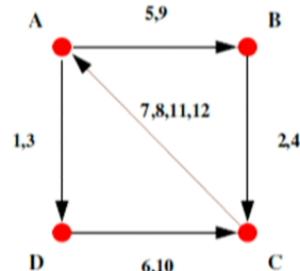
- ③ Reverse arrows going in or out of i_0 , leave I_{no} , and change affected nodes:

$$a_{ij}^{dual} = \begin{cases} a_{ji} & \text{if either } i, j = i_0 \\ a_{ij} - a_{i_0i}a_{ji_0} & \text{if both } A \in I_{out}, B \in I_{in} \end{cases}$$

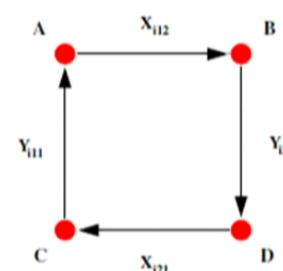
If negative, take it to mean $-a^{dual}$ arrows from j to i .

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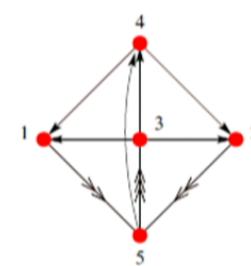


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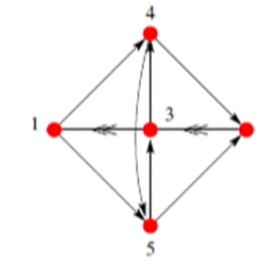


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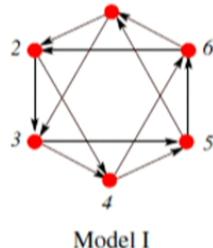


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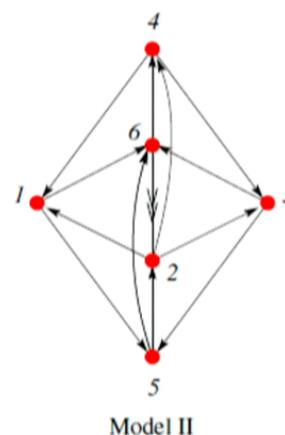


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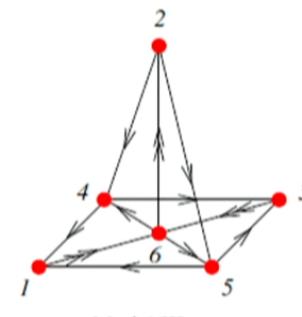
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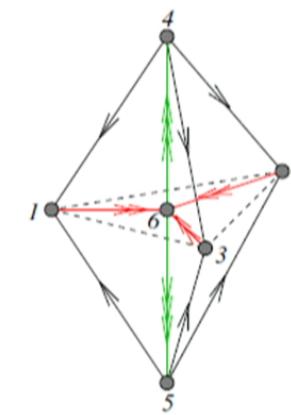
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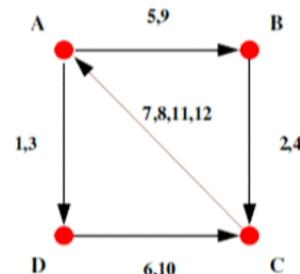
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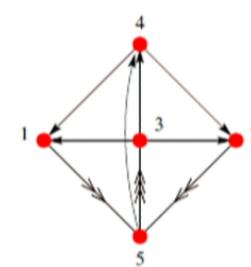
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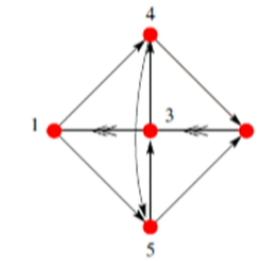
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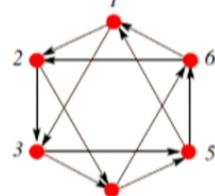


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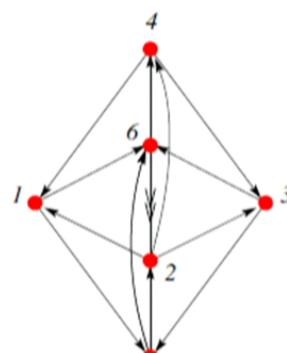


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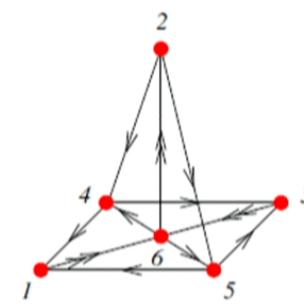
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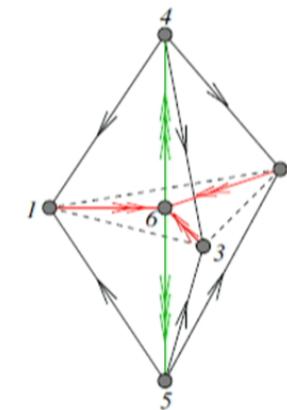
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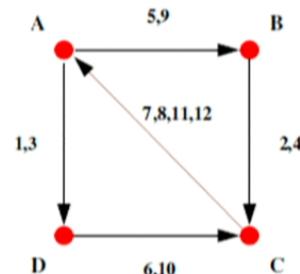
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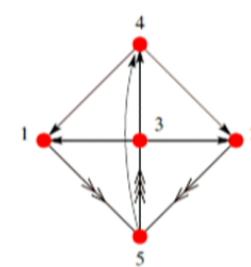
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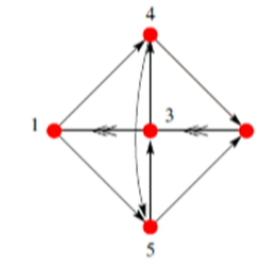
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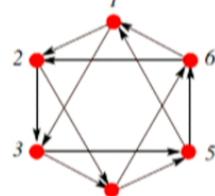


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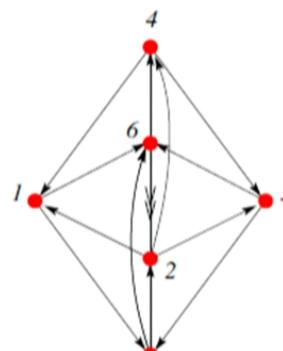


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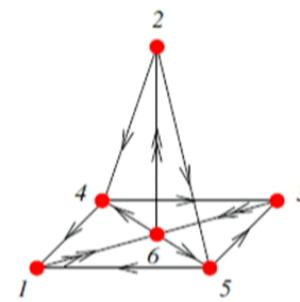
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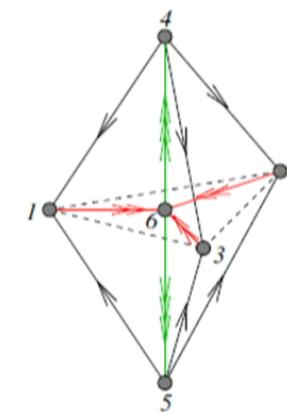
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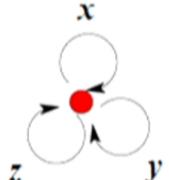
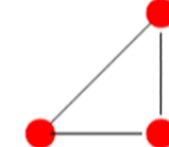
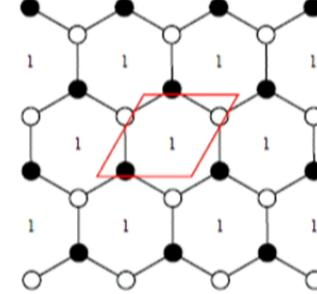
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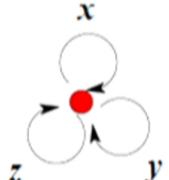
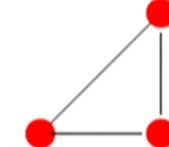
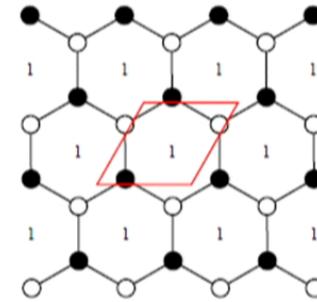
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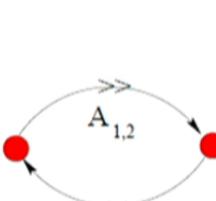
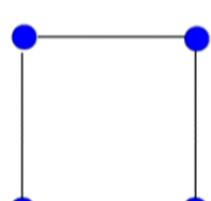
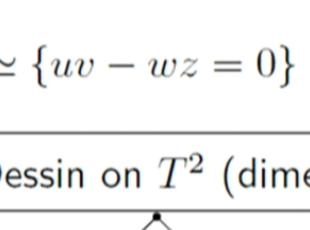
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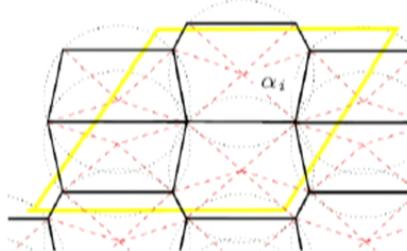
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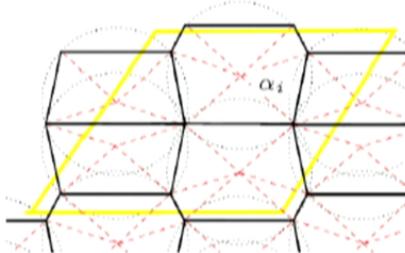
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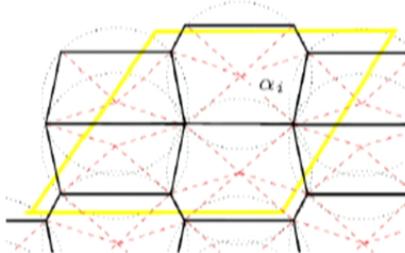
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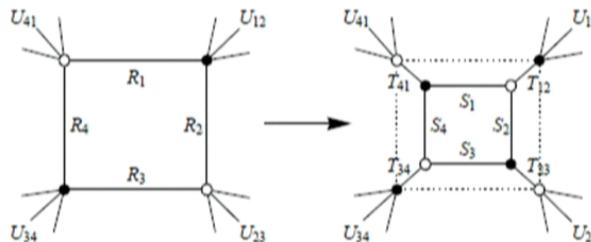
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