

# Cocenter of Hecke algebras

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Now we give a short proof of it, for both the original version and the twisted version, based on the Iwahori-Matsumoto presentation.

Proof.

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