

Geometry, Topology and Dynamics Seminar

Discreteness Algorithm Advisoes

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Abstract: Determining whether a given finitely generated group of isometries is discrete is a formidable problem. Let Γ be a rank 2 non-elementary subgroup of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$; J. Gilman and B. Maskit developed a discreteness algorithm which codified previously existing algorithms for all such Γ . We intend to motivate the discreteness problem, give a synopsis of the Gilman-Maskit algorithm, and share some efforts toward developing discreteness algorithms for higher rank groups. In particular, a discreteness algorithm for Γ (as above) except generated by 3 parabolic isometries will be presented.

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