Geometry, Groups and Dynamics/GEAR Seminar (held at the Illinois hub of GEAR)

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Groups Associated with Rational Proper Maps

Abstract: Given a rational proper map \$f\$ between balls of typically different dimensions, we define a subgroup Γ_f of the source automorphism group. We prove that this group is noncompact if and only if \$f\$ is linear. We show how these groups behave under certain constructions such as juxtaposition and partial tensor products. We then sketch a proof of the following result. If \$G\$ is an arbitrary finite subgroup of the source automorphism group, then there is a rational map \$f\$ for which $\Gamma_f = G$. We provide many examples and, if time permits, discuss the degree estimate conjecture. This work is joint with Ming Xiao. Video