

Séminaire d'Algèbre, Topologie et Géométrie

Jeudi 2 février à 14h00

Salle I

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Title : *Fast computation of the number of vectors of given length in a lattice.*

Abstract : The question is how one can compute the number of ways in which an integer m can be written as a sum of n squares of integers, fast. I will explain how recent progress in computation of 2-dimensional Galois representations make it possible to compute this number, for n even and m given with its factorisation in prime numbers, in time at most a power of $n \cdot \log(m)$ (assuming the Riemann hypothesis for number fields). This is an application of a generalisation by Peter Bruin of joint work of the speaker with Jean-Marc Couveignes, Robin de Jong and Franz Merkl.

For details, see :

<http://www.math.univ-toulouse.fr/~couveig/book.htm>

<http://www.math.u-psud.fr/~bruin/>

<http://www.math.leidenuniv.nl/nl/theses/196/>