

2006/2007 Symposium on
Low Dimensional Geometry and Topology
Main Organiser: Caroline Series

Workshop on 3-manifold geometry and topology

9am, Monday 9 July, 2007 – 1pm, Thursday 12 July, 2007

Organisers: Marc Lackenby & Daryl Cooper

PROGRAMME

*All talks (except Wednesday afternoon) are in
Lecture Theatre MS.01 in the Mathematics Institute, Zeeman Building*

Monday 9 July 2007

- 09:00 - 10:15 **Registration** (in Room B1:37) and **Coffee** in the Mathematics Institute Common Room
- 10:15 - 11:15 **Alan Reid** (Texas at Austin) *Heegaard genus and property τ for hyperbolic 3-manifolds*
- 11:15 - 11:30 short break (no coffee)
- 11:30 - 12:30 **Stephan Tillmann** (Melbourne) *The Thurston norm via normal surfaces*
- 12:30 - 14:30 Lunch break
- 14:30 - 15:30 **Jessica Purcell** (Texas at Austin & Oxford) *Geometry under reflection*
- 15:30 - 16:15 Tea in The Street (ground floor close to the main entrance)
- 16:15 - 17:15 **Michel Boileau** (Toulouse) *Tits alternative and $PD(3)$ groups*
- 18:00 Buffet dinner in The Street

Tuesday 10 July 2007

- 09:00 - 10:00 **Ian Agol** (Illinois at Chicago & Berkeley) *Virtually fibering 3-orbifolds and virtually depth one taut sutured manifolds*
- 10:00 - 10:45 Coffee in The Street
- 10:45 - 11:45 **Genevieve Walsh** (Tufts) *Commensurability classes of 2-bridge knots*
- 11:50 - 12:50 **Steve Boyer** (Quebec at Montreal) *On families of virtually fibred Montesinos link exteriors*
- 12:50 - 14:30 Lunch break
- 14:30 - 15:30 **Darren Long** (Santa Barbara) *The virtual Betti numbers of closed arithmetic 3-manifolds*
- 15:30 - 16:15 Tea in The Street
- 16:15 - 17:15 **Shelly Harvey** (Rice) *Homology and derived p -series of groups*

Wednesday 11 July 2007

- 09:00 - 10:00 **Alex Coward** (Oxford) *Detecting the bridge number of hyperbolic knots*
- 10:00 - 10:45 Coffee in The Street
- 10:45 - 11:45 **Steve Kerckhoff** (Stanford) *Reflective Dehn filling in dimension 4*
- 11:50 - 12:50 **Joseph Maher** (Oklahoma) *Random walks and the complex of curves*
- 12:50 - 14:30 Lunch break

The following two talks will be in Lecture Room B3.03 on the 3rd floor of the Mathematics Institute

- 14:30 - 15:30 **Jennifer Schultens** (Davis) *The width complex for knots and 3-manifolds*
- 15:30 - 16:15 Tea in Mathematics Institute Common Room
- 16:15 - 17:15 **Stefan Friedl** (Warwick, Quebec at Montreal) *Symplectic 4-manifolds and fibered 3-manifolds*

Thursday 12 July 2007

- 09:00 - 10:00 **Sylvain Maillot** (Strasbourg) *Sequences of metrics given by Ricci flow on aspherical 3-manifolds*
- 10:00 - 10:45 Coffee in The Street
- 10:45 - 11:45 **Joan Porti** (Barcelona) *More on sequences of metrics on aspherical manifolds*
- 11:50 - 12:50 **Martin Scharlemann** (Santa Barbara) *A 3-dimensional reimbedding strategy for the 4-dimensional Schoenflies conjecture*

THE END

*If you have any questions during the Workshop please see either Hazel Higgins
or Yvonne Collins in Room B1:37 which is opposite the Common Room*