

Linking conjugacy class invariants for outer automorphism groups of free groups and geodesics in outer space

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The generic, dynamically minimal, elements of an outer automorphism group of a free group are called fully irreducible. In *Axes in Outer Space*, Michael Handel and Lee Mosher define an outer automorphism conjugacy class invariant for a fully irreducible outer automorphism, called the ideal Whitehead graph. In *Axes and Outer Space*, they go much further. Namely, they use these ideal Whitehead graphs to give information about the set of invariant “axes” for a fully irreducible outer automorphism. We build on this work and describe when having a particular ideal Whitehead graph is “stable”. This is joint work with Yael Algom-Kfir and Ilya Kapovich.