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Seminar

Intrinsic Chirality of Graphs in 3-manifolds

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Abstract: We say that an embedding Γ of a graph γ in a 3-manifold M is *achiral* if there is an orientation reversing homeomorphism of (M, Γ) . If a graph γ has no such embedding in M we say γ is *intrinsically chiral* in M.

We prove that for any closed, connected, orientable, irreducible 3-manifold M, there is an integer n_M such that every 3-connected graph γ with genus $(\gamma) > n_M$ and no involution is intrinsically chiral in M. On the other hand, we prove that every graph has achiral embeddings in infinitely many closed, connected, orientable, irreducible 3-manifolds.

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All are Welcome!