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Convex cocompact discrete subgroups of $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}\boldsymbol{H}^n) \cong O^+(1, n)$

Let $\Gamma <_{\text{d}} \text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}\boldsymbol{H}^n)$. Then $\Lambda_c(\Gamma) = \Lambda(\Gamma)$

$\iff$

Γ is geometrically finite with no cusps

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Γ is geometrically finite with no parabolic elements

$\iff$

for some $p \in \mathbb{R}\boldsymbol{H}^n$ the orbit map $\Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\boldsymbol{H}^n$ is a quasi-isometric embedding

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for every $p \in \mathbb{R}\boldsymbol{H}^n$ the orbit map $\Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\boldsymbol{H}^n$ is a quasi-isometric embedding

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the action $\Gamma \curvearrowright \text{convex}(\Lambda(\Gamma))$ is cocompact.



Lemma 2.2 Suppose we have a representation $\rho\colon G \rightarrow \text{Isom}(\mathbb{H}^n)$ of a finitely-generated group G . Then the action $\rho\colon G \curvearrowright \mathbb{H}^n$ is properly discontinuous and convex-cocompact iff there exists a G -equivariant quasi-isometric embedding $f\colon \Gamma_G \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$, where Γ_G is a Cayley graph of G .

Proof First, suppose that $\rho\colon G \curvearrowright \mathbb{H}^n$ properly discontinuous and convex-cocompact. Then, because $C(G)$ is a geodesic metric space, there exists a G -equivariant quasi-isometry $f\colon \Gamma_G \rightarrow C(G)$. Composing this map with the isometric embedding $\iota\colon C(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$, we conclude that $f\colon \Gamma_G \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$ is a quasi-isometric embedding.

Conversely, suppose that $f\colon \Gamma_G \rightarrow \mathbb{H}^n$ is an equivariant quasi-isometric embedding. In particular, f is a proper map. Hence, if for $1 \in \Gamma_G$ we set $o := f(1)$, then for each compact subset $K \subset \mathbb{H}^n$ there are only finitely many elements $g \in G$ such that $g(o) \in K$. Therefore the action $G \curvearrowright \mathbb{H}^n$ is properly discontinuous. In particular, it has finite kernel.

Observe that *stability* of quasi-geodesics in $\mathbb{H}^n$ implies that $\text{Im}(f)$ is *quasi-convex*, ie, there exists a constant $c < \infty$ such that for any two points $x, y \in \text{Im}(f)$ the geodesic segment $\overline{xy}$ is contained in a c -neighborhood $N_c(\text{Im}(f))$ of $\text{Im}(f)$. On the other hand, by [6, Proposition 2.5.4], there exists $R = R(c)$ such that the convex hull of each c -quasi-convex subset $S \subset \mathbb{H}^n$ is contained in the R -neighborhood $N_R(S)$. Thus, the convex subset $C(\rho(G)) \subset \mathbb{H}^n$ is contained in $N_{R(c)}(\text{Im}(f))$. Since G acts cocompactly on $\text{Im}(f)$ it follows that G acts cocompactly on $C(G)$. Therefore $\rho(G)$ is convex-cocompact. $\square$

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