1. Record Nr. UNINA9910146314203321 Autore Hsu Tim Titolo Quilts: Central Extensions, Braid Actions, and Finite Groups / / by Tim Pubbl/distr/stampa Berlin, Heidelberg:,: Springer Berlin Heidelberg:,: Imprint: Springer, , 2000 **ISBN** 3-540-45580-9 Edizione [1st ed. 2000.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XIV, 190 p.) Collana Lecture Notes in Mathematics, , 1617-9692;; 1731 512.2 Disciplina Soggetti Group theory **Group Theory and Generalizations** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di contenuto Background material -- Quilts -- Norton systems and their guilts --Examples of quilts -- The combinatorics of quilts -- Classical interpretations of guilts -- Presentations and the structure problem --Small snug guilts -- Monodromy systems -- Quilts for groups involved in the monster -- Some results on the structure problem -- Further directions. Sommario/riassunto Quilts are 2-complexes used to analyze actions and subgroups of the 3-string braid group and similar groups. This monograph establishes the fundamentals of guilts and discusses connections with central extensions, braid actions, and finite groups. Most results have not previously appeared in a widely available form, and many results appear in print for the first time. This monograph is accessible to graduate students, as a substantial amount of background material is included. The methods and results may be relevant to researchers interested in infinite groups, moonshine, central extensions, triangle

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