CONJUGACY PROBLEMS IN THOMPSON'S AND HIGMAN-THOMPSON'S GROUPS

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The conjugacy problem asks if, given a finitely generated group G with generating set S, it is possible to decide whether two given words are conjugated elements of G. That is, given two words w_1, w_2 in the S alphabet, representing the group elements g and h, respectively, can we decide if there is $z \in G$ such that $g = zhz^{-1}$? There are a number of variations of this problem, such as the twisted and power conjugacy problems, and some results concerning them can be obtained for the Thompson's and Higman-Thompson's groups.

In this talk we will define the Thompson's groups F, T and V, giving some of their main properties and results on their conjugacy problems. Afther that, we will construct the Higman-Thompson groups, which can be viewed as a generalization of the first three groups. Again, we will state some of the main properties and results about their conjugacy problems.

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