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*Geometry and dynamics of groups acting on Gromov hyperbolic metric spaces.*

In this talk, I will discuss two theorems about groups acting by isometries on Gromov hyperbolic metric spaces. The first theorem is a generalization of a theorem of Bishop and Jones ('97) and Paulin ('97) to this setting. The second is a construction of Patterson-Sullivan measures in a setting where compactness is not assumed. Both theorems are part of an ongoing collaboration with Tushar Das (University of Wisconsin - La Crosse) and Mariusz Urbański (University of North Texas). (Received February 06, 2014)