# Quaterly Report

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# 1 Reading

1. Introduction to Lie Algebras and Representation Theory by James Humphreys - Chapters 2 and 3 of 7.

#### 2 Research

- 1. Wrote an algorithm to write a word in the generators for  $\Omega^-(d, F)$ , char  $F \neq 2$  in a non-natural representation
- 2. Calcualted generators for  $\Omega^-(d, F)$ , char F = 2
- 3. Wrote algorithms to write a word in the generators for  $\Omega^{-}(d, F)$ , char F = 2 in both a natural and a non-natural representation
- 4. Wrote algorithms to write a word in the generators for  $\Omega(d, F)$ , d odd, char  $F \neq 2$  in both a natural and a non-natural representation
- 5. Wrote code to test and debug the above algorithms
- 6. Modified all non-natural representation algorithms so that they were able to work over non-natural representations of the same characteristic rather than the same field
- 7. Modified the Unitary group algorithms so that they ran faster
- 8. Assisted a colleague at Imperial with his problem
- 9. Modified MatrixPGroupWordInGen so that it ran faster
- 10. Wrote 22 pages of a paper that will eventually be turned into a thesis
- 11. Started work on writing code to Construct algorithms to write an element of PSX(d,q) as an element of its generators by considering how the generators act on the projective points.
- 12. Timed all algorithms against various variables

## 3 Seminars

1. I gave a Pure Maths Seminar based on my research

### 3.1 Things To Be Done

- 1. Calculate the complexity of the algorithms for which this has not yet been done
- 2. Continue with the PSX(d,q) work
- 3. Continue writing the paper