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Sp(2,1)ishyperbolicif it fixes exactly two points on the boundary ofH2H.Weclassify pairs of

hyperbolic elements in Sp(2,1)up to conjugation. A hyperbolic element of Sp(2,1)is calledloxodromicif it has no real eigenvalue. We show that the set of Sp(2,1)conjugation orbits of irreducible loxodromic pairs is a(CP1)4bundle over a topologicalspace that is locally a semianalytic subspace of R13. We use the above classification to showthat conjugation orbits of 'geometric' representations of a closed surface group (of genusg≥2) into Sp(2,1)can be determined by a system of 42g-42 real parameters. Further, we consider the groups Sp(1,1) and GL(2,H). These groups also act by the orientation-preserving isometries of the four and five dimensional real hyperbolic spaces respectively. We classify conjugation orbits of pairs of hyperbolic elements in

these groups. These classifi-cations determine conjugation orbits of 'geometric' surface group representations into thesegroups.

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