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This book presents an introduction to the geometric group theory associated with nonpositively curved cube complexes. It advocates the use of cube complexes to understand the fundamental groups of hyperbolic 3-manifolds as well as many other infinite groups studied within geometric group theory.

The main goal is to outline the proof that a hyperbolic group G with a quasiconvex hierarchy has a finite index subgroup that embeds in a right-angled Artin group. The supporting ingredients of the proof are sketched: the basics of nonpositively curved cube complexes, wallspaces and dual $CAT(0)$ cube complexes, special cube complexes, the combination theorem for special cube complexes, the combination theorem for cubulated groups, cubical small-cancellation theory, and the malnormal special quotient theorem. Generalizations to relatively hyperbolic groups are discussed. Finally, applications are described towards resolving Baumslag's conjecture on the residual finiteness of one-relator groups with torsion, and to the virtual specialness and virtual fibering of certain hyperbolic 3-manifolds, including those with at least one cusp.

The text contains many figures illustrating the ideas.

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