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1005-20-37 **Kai-Uwe Bux** and **Kevin Wortman*** (wortman@math.cornell.edu). *Finiteness properties of arithmetic groups over function fields.*

Let K be a global function field, \mathcal{O}_S a ring of S -integers in K , and \mathbf{G} a reductive K -group. In this talk I will describe a proof that the arithmetic group $\mathbf{G}(\mathcal{O}_S)$ is of type FP_∞ if and only if the semisimple K -rank of \mathbf{G} equals 0. Our proof is motivated by the Epstein-Thurston proof that $\mathbf{SL}_3(\mathbb{Z})$ has a quadratic Dehn function. (Received January 18, 2005)