

# 曲面の写像類群に含まれる純ブレイド群の最高次数について

The maximum sizes of pure braid groups in the mapping class groups  
of surfaces

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## Definition of the mapping class groups of surfaces

$S = S_{g,p}^b$ : an orientable surface of genus  $g$  with  $p$  punctures and  $b$  boundary components

### Definition

The **mapping class group**  $\text{Mod}(S)$  is  $\text{Homeo}^+(S)/(\text{isotopy rel. } \partial S)$ .

$\text{PMod}(S) := \text{Ker}(\text{Mod}(S) \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}_p)$  is called the **pure mapping class group** of  $S$ .

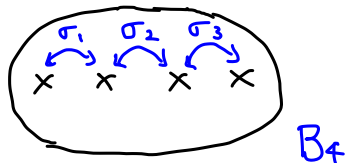
In particular,

$B_n := \text{Mod}(S_{0,n}^1)$  is called the **braid group** on  $n$ -strands.

$PB_n := \text{PMod}(S_{0,n}^1)$  is called the **pure braid group**.

$B_n \cong \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n-1} \mid \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}, \sigma_i \sigma_j = \sigma_j \sigma_i \rangle$ ,  
where  $i - j \geq 2$  in the second relations.

$PB_n$  is a finite index subgroup of  $B_n$  (index  $n!$ ).



## Rigidity of mapping class groups

### Theorem (Behrstock–Kleiner–Minsky–Mosher, 2010)

$S$ : an orientable surface with complexity  $3g - 3 + p + b \geq 3$

$G$ : finitely generated group

If  $G \underset{q.i.}{\sim} \text{Mod}(S)$ , then  $G \underset{\exists}{\rightarrow} \text{Mod}(S)$  with finite kernel and finite index image.

### Theorem (Bowditch, 2015)

$S, S'$ : orientable surfaces with the same complexity  $\geq 4$

If  $\text{Mod}(S)$  is quasi-isometrically embedded in  $\text{Mod}(S')$ , then  $S = S'$ .

Similar result holds for injective homomorphisms: Ivanov–McCarthy (1999).

For virtual embeddings: Shackleton (2007).

Here,  $H$  is **virtually embedded** in  $G$  if  $\exists L \leq H$ : a f.i. subgp s.t.  $L \hookrightarrow G$ .

Question.  $\text{Mod}(S) \xrightarrow[\text{virtual}]{\hookrightarrow} \text{Mod}(S')$ ?

Note: Since MCGs are virtually torsion free,  $\exists$  v.e.  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  virtual hom with finite kernel.

topology of surfaces  $\leftrightarrow$  v.e. of MCGs?

relation

## Main Result

Case where  $S$  is a surface without boundary:

### Main Theorem 1

$PB_n \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,p})$  if and only if

$$n \leq \begin{cases} 1 & ((g,p) \in \{(0,0), (0,1), (0,2), (0,3)\}) \\ 2 & ((g,p) \in \{(0,4), (1,0), (1,1)\}) \\ -\chi & (g=0, p \geq 5) \\ 1-\chi & (g=1, p \geq 2) \\ 2-\chi & (g \geq 2, p=0) \\ 1-\chi & (g \geq 2, p \geq 1). \end{cases}$$

$$-\chi = -\chi(S_{g,p}^b) = 2g + p + b - 2.$$

Remark: Similar holds for virtual embeddings of  $B_n$ .

Case where  $S$  is a surface with boundary:

## Main Theorem 2

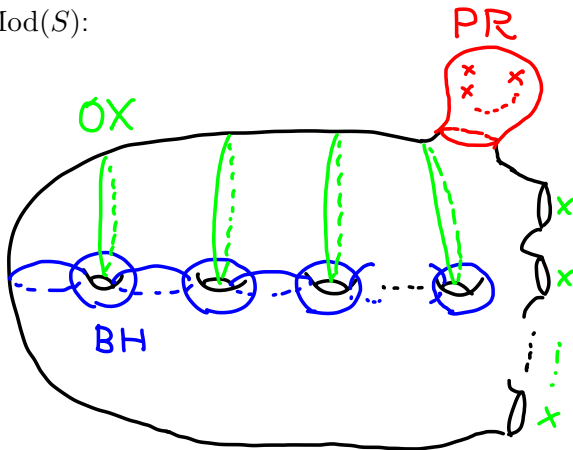
Suppose  $b \geq 1$ .

Then  $PB_n \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,p}^b)$  if and only if

$$n \leq \begin{cases} 2 - \chi & (g \geq 1, p + b \leq 2) \\ 1 - \chi & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases}$$

Remark: Similar holds for virtual embeddings of  $B_n$ .

Methods for  $PB_n \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S)$ :





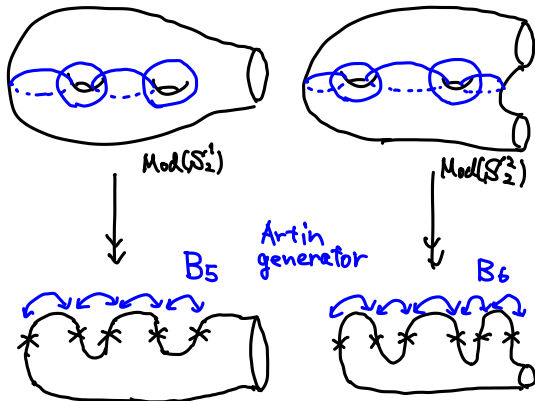
“Geometric monodromy” obtained from Birman–Hilden theory

Theorem (Birman–Hilden, '72)

$$B_{2g-1} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g-1}^1).$$

Moreover,  $B_{2g} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g-1}^2).$

$g=3.$



Paris–Rolfen’s work

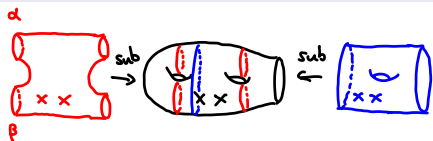
Let  $S' \subset S$  be a surface inclusion preserving punctures.

From this we have a natural homomorphism  $\iota: \text{Mod}(S') \rightarrow \text{Mod}(S)$ .

Theorem (Paris–Rolfen, '00)

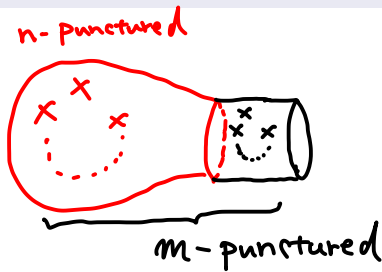
Suppose that  $\forall$  component of  $S - \text{Int}N(S')$  is either hyperbolic or an annulus.

Then  $\text{Ker}(\iota) \cong \bigoplus \mathbb{Z}[T_\alpha T_\beta^{-1}]$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are closed curves isotopic through an outer annulus, and the direct sum runs over the set of outer annular components.



$$\text{Mod}(\text{red}) \xrightarrow{f} \text{Mod}(\text{cylinder}) \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(\text{blue})$$

$$\text{Ker} f = \langle T_\alpha T_\beta^{-1} \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}$$



Corollary (van der Lek, '83): If  $n \leq m$ , then  $B_n \hookrightarrow B_m$  ( $PB_n \hookrightarrow PB_m$ ).

# $(1 - \chi)$ -embedding theorem of pure braid groups

## Theorem

Suppose  $g \geq 1$  or  $b \geq 1$ .

Then  $PB_{2g+p+b-1} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,p}^b)$ .

Note:  $\chi(S_{g,p}^b) = 2 - 2g - p - b$  and so  $1 - \chi = 2g + p + b - 1$ .

**Step A.** Show that  $PB_{2g+p+b-1} \xrightarrow{\exists} \text{Mod}(S_{0,p}^{2g+b})$ .

Direct decomposition  $\text{PMod}(S_{0,p}^{2g+b}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2g+b-1} \times PB_{2g+p+b-1}$  (Clay–Leininger–Margalit).

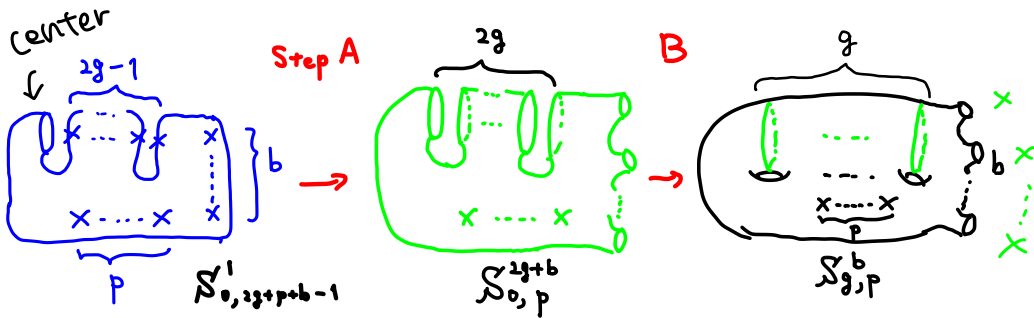
**Step B.** Show that the restriction of the hom  $\text{Mod}(S_{0,p}^{2g+b}) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,p}^b)$  to  $PB_{2g+p+b-1}$  is injective.

Use Paris–Rolfsen' result.

Step A + Step B  $\rightsquigarrow$  the desired embedding.

*g copies  
of an annulus*

Picture for (OX):



## Difference between $(1 - \chi)$ and others

We have the following methods for embedding pure braid groups into MCGs:

- (BH) Birman–Hilden theory
- (PR) Paris–Rolfsen's result
- (OX)  $(1 - \chi)$ -embedding theorem

From (BH) and (PR), we obtain embeddings of **braid groups** into MCGs.

On the other hand, according to Castel's result, (OX) cannot be extended to braid groups.

### Theorem (Castel, '16)

Suppose  $b \geq 2$ .

$B_n \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_g^b)$  if and only if  $n \leq 2g + 2$ .

From our result, we can deduce  $PB_{2g+b-1} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_g^b)$ .

If  $b \geq 4$ , (OX) provides us with new embeddings of pure braid groups.

## Finding the “largest” pure braid groups

Emphasize that all of (BH), (PR) and (OX) are effective methods.

The list of the largest pure braid groups when  $g = 0$  or  $g \geq 2$

Genus 0 case

$b = 0$  and  $p \geq 3$ ;  $PB_{p-2} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{0,p})$  (PR).

$b \geq 1$ ;  $PB_{p+b-1} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{0,p}^b)$  (OX).

Genus  $\geq 2$  case

$p + b = 0$ ;  $PB_{2g} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_g)$  (BH)+(PR).

$1 \leq p + b \leq 2$ ;  $PB_{2g} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,1})$  (BH) or (OX).

$PB_{2g+1} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_g^1)$  (BH).

$PB_{2g+1} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,2})$  (BH)+(PR) or (OX).

$PB_{2g+2} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_g^2)$  (BH).

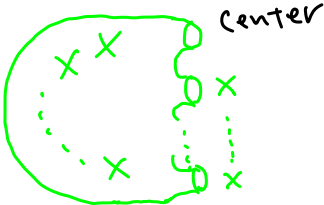
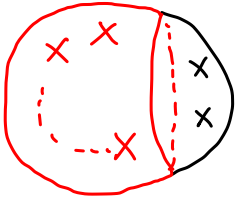
$PB_{2g+2} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,1}^1)$  (BH)+(PR).

$p + b = 3$ ;  $PB_{2g+2} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,p}^b)$  (BH)+(PR) or (OX).

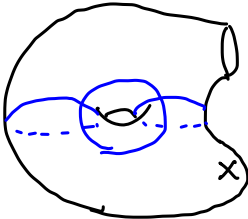
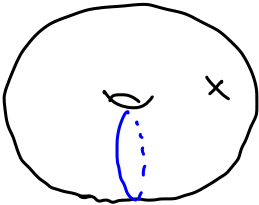
$p + b \geq 4$ ;  $PB_{2g+p+b-1} \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_{g,p}^b)$  (OX).

Largest pure braid groups:

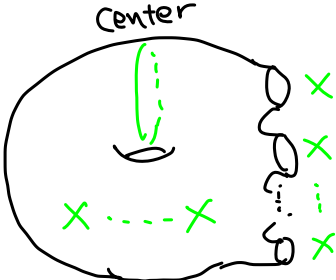
$g=0$



$g=1$



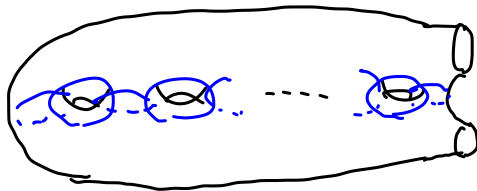
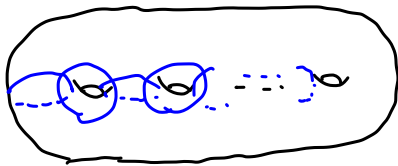
$p+b \leq 2$



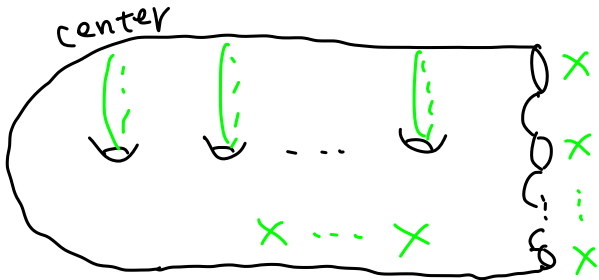
$p+b \geq 3$

$$g \geq 2.$$

$$p+b \leq 2$$



$$p+b \geq 3$$





## Main Theorem 1

$PB_n$  is embedded in  $\text{Mod}(S_{g,p})$  if and only if

$$n \leq \begin{cases} -\chi & (g = 0, p \geq 5) \text{ (PR)} \\ 1 - \chi & (g = 1, p \geq 2) \text{ (OX)} \\ 2 - \chi & (g \geq 2, p = 0) \text{ (BH)} \\ 1 - \chi & (g \geq 2, p \geq 1). \text{ (OX)} \end{cases}$$

## Main Theorem 2

Suppose  $b \geq 1$ . Then  $PB_n$  is embedded in  $\text{Mod}(S_{g,p}^b)$  if and only if

$$n \leq \begin{cases} 2 - \chi & (g \geq 1, p + b \leq 2) \text{ (BH)+(PR)} \\ 1 - \chi & \text{(otherwise). (OX)} \end{cases}$$

## Sketch of proof for the “only if” part

Want to show that  $PB_n$  is not embedded in  $\text{Mod}(S)$  if  $n$  is bigger than the bound given in the main thms.

**KEY:** Suppose  $n$  is bigger than the bound.

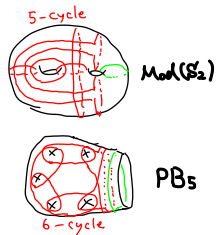
Then  $S_{0,n}^1$  contains a complicated curve system which cannot appear in  $S$ .

Curve system on a surface  $\xrightarrow{\text{Dehn twist}}$  right-angled Artin group (Koberda, 2012)

$\exists$  a right-angled Artin group in  $PB_n$  but not in  $\text{Mod}(S)$ ?

**Lemma 1:** Suppose  $\Gamma$  is a “nice” graph. Then  $A(\Gamma) \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S)$  (if and) only if  $\Gamma \leq \mathcal{C}(S)$ .

**Lemma 2:** If  $n$  is larger than the bound, then  $\exists \Gamma \leq \mathcal{C}(S_{0,n}^1)$  such that  $\Gamma$  is “nice” and  $\Gamma \not\leq \mathcal{C}(S)$ .



## Right-angled Artin groups

$\Gamma$ : a finite simple graph

$V(\Gamma)$ : the vertex set of  $\Gamma$

$E(\Gamma)$ : the edge set of  $\Gamma$

### Definition

The **right-angled Artin group** (RAAG) on  $\Gamma$  is the group defined by the following group presentation:

$$A(\Gamma) = \langle V(\Gamma) \mid [v_i, v_j] = 1 \text{ if and only if } \{v_i, v_j\} \in E(\Gamma) \rangle.$$

E.g.

Every finitely generated free group is the RAAG on an edgeless graph.

Every finitely generated free abelian group is the RAAG on a complete graph.

RAAGs includes the direct products, free products and HNN extensions of these groups.

## Curve graphs and powers of Dehn twists

### Definition

For a surface  $S$ , the **curve graph**  $\mathcal{C}(S)$  is the simple graph such that

- $V(\mathcal{C}(S))$  is the set of the isotopy classes of essential simple closed curves in  $S$  and
- $E(\mathcal{C}(S))$  consists of all non-ordered pair of essential simple closed curves which can be represented disjointly.

$\mathcal{C}(S)$  is the 1-skeleton of the Harvey's curve complex.

### Theorem (Koberda, '12)

$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ : mutually non-isotopic essential or boundary-parallel simple closed curves in  $S$

For a sufficiently large  $m$ ,  $\langle T_{\alpha_1}^m, \dots, T_{\alpha_n}^m \rangle$  is isomorphic to a RAAG.

The defining graph of the RAAG coincides with the subgraph of  $\mathcal{C}(S)$ , which is induced by  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ .

Also phrased as follows: If  $\Gamma$  is a finite induced subgraph of  $\mathcal{C}(S)$ , then  $A(\Gamma) \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S)$ .

Thank you for the attention!