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Finite rigid sets in the curve complex of a nonorientable surface

Abstract: The curve complex $C(S)$ of a surface S is a simplicial complex whose k -simplices correspond to collections of $k+1$ distinct isotopy classes of essential simple closed curves on S with pairwise disjoint representatives. A celebrated theorem of Ivanov, Korkmaz and Luo says that the group $\text{Aut}(C(S))$ of simplicial automorphisms of $C(S)$ for orientable surface S is, with a few well understood exceptions, isomorphic to the extended mapping class group of S . Atalan and Korkmaz proved recently an analogous theorem for nonorientable surfaces. Aramayona and Leininger showed that $C(S)$ is 'finitely rigid', for orientable S , by constructing a finite subcomplex X of $C(S)$ with the property that every locally injective simplicial map from X to $C(S)$ is induced by some element of the extended mapping class group of S . They also proved that $C(S)$ can be exhausted by a sequence of finite rigid sets. By the work of Ilbira and Korkmaz, the curve complex of a nonorientable surface of genus g with n punctures contains a finite rigid set for $g+n > 4$. I will present a construction of a sequence of such rigid sets. If $g=1$ then this sequence exhausts the whole curve complex, for $g=2$ and $g=3$ it exhausts a certain large subcomplex.

