

# PROBLEMS ON TORELLI GROUPS

## GENERATION

- Find a conceptual proof  $I(S_3)$  is fin. gen.
- Is there a gen set for  $I(S_g)$  with  $\binom{2g+1}{3}$  elts?
- Find an explicit gen set for  $I(S_2)$ .
- Find an explicit finite gen set for  $K(S_g)$ .  
Other terms of Johnson filtration, terms of LCS.
- Is  $K(S_3)$  finitely generated?
- Is  $K(S_g)$  generated by twist differences  $T_c T_d^{-1}$ ?  
Other terms of Johnson filtration?
- Find explicit gen sets for terms of Johnson filtration.

## RELATIONS

- Is  $I(S_g)$  finitely presented?

What about  $K(S_g)$ , terms of Johnson filtration, etc.?

- Show that two elements of  $I(S_g)$  either commute or generate a free group.

Or just do it for BP maps, or just for  $K(S_g)$ .

## COHOMOLOGY

- Compute  $H_k(I(S_g))$

Is it f.g. for any  $g \geq 3$   $2 \leq k < 2g-3$ ?

- What is cohomological dimension of terms of Johnson filtration?

- Show the largest free abelian subgroup has rank  $g-1$ .

- Show  $H_{2g-3}(K(S_g))$  is  $\infty$ -gen.

## HYPERELLIPTIC TORELLI

- Find a simpler proof that  $SI(S_g)$  is gen. by Dehn twists.
- Is  $SI(S_g)$  finitely generated? presented?
- Is  $SI(S_g)^{ab}$  finitely generated?
- Find natural gen sets for congruence subgroups  $SMod(S_g)[m]$ . What are the abelianizations?

## STRETCH FACTORS

- Improve the gap between  $\sqrt{2}$  &  $62$  for the smallest stretch factor in  $I(S_g)$ .
- Is the smallest stretch factor in  $I(S_g)$  smaller than that in  $K(S_g)$ ? Further terms of Johnson filtration?
- Which algebraic degrees for stretch factors arise in  $I(S_g)$ ?
- What is the smallest stretch factor in  $Mod(S_g)[2]$ ?

## EMBEDDINGS

- Show that any embedding  $I(S_g) \hookrightarrow \text{Mod}(S_g)$  is standard.
- Show any non-abelian map  $I(S_g) \rightarrow \text{Mod}(S_k)$  is trivial if  $g \neq k$ .
- Similar for  $K(S_g)$ , other terms of Johnson filtration.

## MISCELLANEA

- Find a simple description of BCT maps, using double covers.
- Find the image of the second Johnson homomorphism.
- Which subsets of  $I(S_g)$  give all  $\mathbb{Z}HS^3$ 's?
- Determine if the even MMM classes vanish on  $I(S_g)$ .