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1 Introduction

Let C be a compact Riemann surface of genus $g \geq 1$. We embed C into a projective space \mathbb{P}^{n-g} by a very ample line bundle L of degree $n \geq 2g + 1$:

$$\Phi_{|L|} : C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n-g}.$$

We denote by C_L the image of $\Phi_{|L|}$. Let $(\mathbb{P}^{n-g})^\vee$ be the dual projective space of \mathbb{P}^{n-g} , and let $\check{C}_L \subset (\mathbb{P}^{n-g})^\vee$ be the dual hypersurface of C_L ; that is,

$$\check{C}_L := \{H \in (\mathbb{P}^{n-g})^\vee; H \text{ does not intersect } C_L \text{ transversely}\}.$$

The purpose of this paper is to calculate the fundamental group of the complement to this dual hypersurface. The idea of the calculation stems from [Z], where the fundamental group of such complements was calculated in the case $g = 1$.

Let $\text{Pic}^n(C)$ be the Picard variety of line bundles of degree n on C , and let $S^n(C)$ be the symmetric product of n -copies of C , which parameterizes all effective divisors on C of degree n . Then there exists a natural homomorphism

$$\phi : S^n(C) \longrightarrow \text{Pic}^n(C)$$

which maps a divisor D to the associated line bundle $\mathcal{O}_C(D)$. Let $V \subset S^n(C)$ be the image of the big diagonal;

$$V := \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in S^n(C); x_i = x_j \text{ for some } i \neq j\}.$$

The fundamental group of the complement $S^n(C) \setminus V$ is, by definition, the braid group $B(g, n) \cong \pi_1 B_{0,n}C$ (in the notation of [B]) of C with n strings.

Theorem 1 *For a general line bundle $L \in \text{Pic}^n(C)$ of degree n , the fundamental group $\pi_1((\mathbb{P}^{n-g})^\vee \setminus \check{C}_L)$ is isomorphic to the kernel of the natural homomorphism*

$$\phi'_* : \pi_1(S^n(C) \setminus V) \longrightarrow \pi_1(\text{Pic}^n(C)) \cong H_1(C; \mathbf{Z})$$

induced by the restriction ϕ' of ϕ to the complement $S^n(C) \setminus V$.

We denote the kernel of ϕ'_* by $G_{g,n}$.

Theorem 2 *The group $G_{g,n}$, $n \geq 2g + 1$, is generated by $n + 3g - 1$ generators. Denote these generators by*

$$\begin{aligned} c_2, c_4, \dots, c_{2g-4}, c_{2g-2}; \\ g_{2g}, g_{2g+1}, \dots, g_{n-2}, g_{n-1}; \\ g_{1,i,j}, g_{3,i,j}, \dots, g_{2g-3,i,j}, g_{2g-1,i,j}, \quad i, j = 0, 1. \end{aligned}$$

The set of defining relations consists of

$$\begin{aligned}
& [c_{2k}, c_{2l}] = 1, & & |k-l| \neq 1; \\
& [c_{2k}, g_{l,i,j}] = 1, & i, j = 0, 1, & 2k \neq l \pm 1; \\
& [c_{2k}, g_l] = 1, & & (2k, l) \neq (2g-2, 2g); \\
& [(c_{2k-2}c_{2k}c_{2k-2}^{-1}), g_{2k-1,i,j}] = 1, & i, j = 0, 1, & 2 \leq k \leq g-1; \\
& [(c_{2g-2}g_{2g}c_{2g-2}^{-1}), g_{2g-1,i,j}] = 1, & & i, j = 0, 1; \\
& [g_{2k-1,i,j}, g_{2l-1,i,j}] = 1, & i, j = 0, 1, & k \neq l; \\
& [g_{2k-1,i,j}, g_l] = 1, & i, j = 0, 1, & l \geq 2k+1; \\
& [g_k, g_l] = 1, & & |k-l| \neq 1; \\
& c_{2i}c_{2i+2}c_{2i} = c_{2i+2}c_{2i}c_{2i+2}, & & 1 \leq i \leq g-2; \\
& c_{2k}g_{2k \pm 1,i,j}c_{2k} = g_{2k \pm 1,i,j}c_{2k}g_{2k \pm 1,i,j}, & i, j = 0, 1, & 1 \leq k \leq g-1; \\
& c_{2g-2}g_{2g}c_{2g-2} = g_{2g}c_{2g-2}g_{2g}; & & \\
& g_{2g}g_{2g-1,i,j}g_{2g} = g_{2g-1,i,j}g_{2g}g_{2g-1,i,j}, & & i, j = 0, 1; \\
& g_i g_{i+1} g_i = g_{i+1} g_i g_{i+1}, & & 2g \leq i \leq n-2; \\
& (g_{2j \pm 1,1,0} g_{2j \pm 1,0,0} c_{2j})^2 = (c_{2j} g_{2j \pm 1,1,0} g_{2j \pm 1,0,0})^2, & & 1 \leq j \leq g-1; \\
& (g_{2j \pm 1,0,1} g_{2j \pm 1,1,1} c_{2j})^2 = (c_{2j} g_{2j \pm 1,0,1} g_{2j \pm 1,1,1})^2, & & 1 \leq j \leq g-1; \\
& (g_{2j \pm 1,0,1} g_{2j \pm 1,0,0} c_{2j})^2 = (c_{2j} g_{2j \pm 1,0,1} g_{2j \pm 1,0,0})^2, & & 1 \leq j \leq g-1; \\
& (g_{2g-1,1,0} g_{2g-1,0,0} g_{2g})^2 = (g_{2g} g_{2g-1,1,0} g_{2g-1,0,0})^2; \\
& (g_{2g-1,0,1} g_{2g-1,1,1} g_{2g})^2 = (g_{2g} g_{2g-1,0,1} g_{2g-1,1,1})^2; \\
& (g_{2g-1,0,1} g_{2g-1,0,0} g_{2g})^2 = (g_{2g} g_{2g-1,0,1} g_{2g-1,0,0})^2; \\
& c_2 \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n-1} g_{n-1} \cdots g_{2g} (g_{2g-1,0,1} g_{2g-1,1,1} g_{2g-1,1,0} g_{2g-1,0,0}) c_{2g-2} \cdots \\
& \cdots (g_{3,0,1} g_{3,1,1} g_{3,1,0} g_{3,0,0}) c_2 (g_{1,0,1} g_{1,1,1} g_{1,1,0} g_{1,0,0}) = 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof of Theorem 2 is based essentially on the ideas contained in section 2 of [Z]. By this reason, we advise to look through section 2 in [Z] before reading the proof of this Theorem.

Let $pr : C_L \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ be a general projection, and denote by C'_L its image. Then the dual curve $(C'_L)^\vee \subset (\mathbb{P}^2)^\vee$ of C'_L is nothing but a general plane section of \check{C}_L . Therefore, we have the following theorem as an easy consequence:

Theorem 3 *For a general line bundle $L \in \text{Pic}^n(C)$ of degree n , the fundamental group $\pi_1(\mathbb{P}^2 \setminus (C'_L)^\vee)$ has the same presentation as that of $G_{g,n}$ in Theorem 2.*

The contents of this paper are as follows. In section 1, we prove Theorem 1. The main idea is to apply an analogue of [Sh, Theorem 1] to the pull-back of ϕ' by the universal covering of $\text{Pic}^n(C)$. In section 2, we recall some properties of the presentations of the braid group $B(g, n)$. In section 3, we prove Theorem 2 by applying Reidemeister-Schreier method and by reducing general case to the case considered in [Z].

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2 Proof of Theorem 1

Since $n \geq 2g+1$, the morphism ϕ is a fiber bundle with fibers isomorphic to \mathbb{P}^{n-g} . For $L \in \text{Pic}^n(C)$, we denote by $\mathbb{P}(L)$ the fiber $\phi^{-1}(L)$, which is canonically isomorphic to the projective space $\mathbb{P}_*(H^0(C, L))$ of all lines in $H^0(C, L)$ passing through the origin. The embedding morphism $\Phi_{|L|}$ is, by definition, a morphism into the dual projective space $\mathbb{P}(L)^\vee = \mathbb{P}_*(H^0(C, L)^\vee)$. Therefore, we can consider the dual hypersurface \check{C}_L to be a hypersurface in the projective space $\mathbb{P}(L)$ in a natural way. It is obvious that

$$\check{C}_L = \mathbb{P}(L) \cap V. \quad (2.1)$$

By Nori's Lemma [N, Lemma 1.5 (C)], we have an exact sequence

$$\pi_1(\mathbb{P}(L) \setminus \check{C}_L) \longrightarrow \pi_1(S^n(C) \setminus V) \longrightarrow \pi_1(\text{Pic}^n(C)) \longrightarrow \{1\}$$

for a general $L \in \text{Pic}^n(C)$. Therefore, the point of the proof is to show the injectivity of the homomorphism $\pi_1(\mathbb{P}(L) \setminus \check{C}_L) \rightarrow \pi_1(S^n(C) \setminus V)$ induced by the inclusion of a general fiber of ϕ' . Let $u : \mathbb{C}^g \rightarrow \text{Pic}^n(C)$ be the universal covering of $\text{Pic}^n(C)$. We define $\Sigma^n(C)$ and \mathcal{V} by the following fiber products:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^n(C) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\phi}} & \mathbb{C}^g \\ \downarrow & \square & \downarrow u \\ S^n(C) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \text{Pic}^n(C) \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{V} & \rightarrow & \mathbb{C}^g \\ \downarrow & \square & \downarrow u \\ V & \xrightarrow{\phi|_{\mathcal{V}}} & \text{Pic}^n(C). \end{array}$$

This \mathcal{V} is an analytic divisor of $\Sigma^n(C)$. Then we have

$$\pi_1(\Sigma^n(C) \setminus \mathcal{V}) \cong \text{Ker}(\phi'_* : \pi_1(S^n(C) \setminus V) \rightarrow \pi_1(\text{Pic}^n(C))). \quad (2.2)$$

Claim 1 For all $L \in \text{Pic}^n(C)$, the hypersurface \check{C}_L is reduced of constant degree $2(n+g-1)$.

To prove this claim, we choose a linear subspace \mathbb{P}^{n-g-3} in $(\mathbb{P}(L))$ of codimension 3 which is in general position with respect to C_L . Consider the projection pr of C_L to \mathbb{P}^2 with the center being this \mathbb{P}^{n-g-3} . We fix a general point on \mathbb{P}^2 and take the pencil \mathcal{P} of lines passing through this point. This pencil \mathcal{P} yields a line in $\mathbb{P}(L)$ whose point corresponds to a hyperplane of $(\mathbb{P}(L))$ spanned by the \mathbb{P}^{n-g-3} and a member of \mathcal{P} . The intersection points of this line with \check{C}_L correspond to the lines in \mathcal{P} which are tangent to the image $pr(C_L)$ of C_L by the projection. Therefore the degree of \check{C}_L is equal with the degree of the dual curve of $pr(C_L)$. Since $n \geq 2g+1$, C_L is non-singular. Since pr is a general projection, $pr(C_L)$ is a curve of degree n with nodes as its only singularities. The number of nodes is $(n-1)(n-2)/2 - g$. Thus, by Plücker formula, its dual is of degree $2(n+g-1)$.

Now the holomorphic map $\tilde{\phi} : \Sigma^n(C) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g$ is a fiber bundle with fibers isomorphic to \mathbb{P}^{n-g} . Therefore, there exists a global trivialization

$$\Sigma^n(C) \cong \mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times \mathbb{C}^g \quad (2.3)$$

over \mathbb{C}^g . We fix this analytic isomorphism once and for all. Let \mathcal{W} be the analytic divisor of $\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times \mathbb{C}^g$ corresponding to \mathcal{V} via this isomorphism. For a point λ of \mathbb{C}^g , we denote by $W(\lambda)$ the intersection of \mathcal{W} with $\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times \{\lambda\}$, and consider it as a hypersurface in \mathbb{P}^{n-g} . It is obvious that $W(\lambda)$ is projectively isomorphic to $\check{C}_{u(\lambda)}$.

Now we shall prove that, for a general $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^g$, the inclusion induces an isomorphism

$$\pi_1(\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \setminus W(\lambda)) \cong \pi_1((\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times \mathbb{C}^g) \setminus \mathcal{W}). \quad (2.4)$$

This isomorphism, combined with (2.2), gives us the hoped-for isomorphism.

The proof of the isomorphism (2.4) is quite similar to the proof of [Sh, Theorem 1]. The reason why we cannot apply [Sh, Theorem 1] to our situation is that the divisor \mathcal{W} on $\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times \mathbb{C}^g$ is not algebraic but only analytic. Hence we need to modify some parts of the proof in [Sh].

To be compatible with the notation of [Sh], we denote by A the affine space \mathbb{C}^g , and by p the projection from $(\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times A) \setminus \mathcal{W}$ to A . As in [Sh, p.518], we construct the following data;

- a closed real semi-analytic subset $\Omega \subset A$ of real codimension ≥ 3 ,
- a sequence of classically open subsets $U_1 \subset U_2 \subset \dots$ such that $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} U_i = A \setminus \Omega$, and
- sections $s_i : U_i \rightarrow p^{-1}(U_i)$ of p over U_i .

For a point $a \in A$ and a closed subset $\Gamma \subset A$, we use the symbols $R_a(\Gamma) \subset A$ and $\tilde{R}_a(\Gamma) \subset S_a$ in the same meaning as in [Sh, p.519]. Suppose that Γ is a closed analytic subset of complex codimension $\geq c$ in A . Then $R_a(\Gamma)$ is a closed real semi-analytic subset of real codimension $\geq 2c - 1$ in A , while $\tilde{R}_a(\Gamma)$ may fail even to be closed in the $(2g - 1)$ -sphere S_a , and this latter is the main reason why we have to rewrite the proof in [Sh, §2].

For a positive real number r and a point $b \in A$, we denote by $\Gamma\langle b, r \rangle$ the intersection of Γ with the closed ball of radius r with the center b . Then $\tilde{R}_a(\Gamma\langle b, r \rangle)$ is a closed real semi-analytic subset of real codimension $\geq 2c - 1$ in S_a for any $r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ and $b \in A$.

Since the projection $S^n(C) \setminus V \rightarrow \text{Pic}^n(C)$ is algebraic, there exists a Zariski closed subset $\Delta \subset \text{Pic}^n(C)$ of codimension 1 such that $S^n(C) \setminus V \rightarrow \text{Pic}^n(C)$ is locally trivial (in the category of differentiable manifolds) over $\text{Pic}^n(C) \setminus \Delta$. Let $D \subset A$ be the pull-back of Δ by the universal covering $u : A \rightarrow \text{Pic}^n(C)$. For a line $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{P}^{n-g}$ and a point $x \in \Lambda$, we put

$$\begin{aligned} D_\Lambda &:= \{\lambda \in A; \Lambda \text{ does not intersect } W(\lambda) \text{ transversely}\}, \\ D_x &:= \{\lambda \in A; x \in W(\lambda)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then both of D_Λ and D_x are closed analytic subsets of A of codimension 1 or possibly 0. We shall prove the following:

Claim 2 *If x, Λ and a point $o \in A$ are chosen appropriately, then $R_o(D) \cap R_o(D_\Lambda) \cap R_o(D_x)$ is a closed real semi-analytic subset of real codimension ≥ 3 in A .*

After proving this claim, we can construct the hoped-for data by applying the argument in [Sh, p.521-522] verbatim.

Proof of Claim 2. It is enough to prove that, if x, Λ and o are chosen appropriately, then $\tilde{R}_o(D\langle o, r \rangle) \cap \tilde{R}_o(D_\Lambda\langle o, r \rangle) \cap \tilde{R}_o(D_x\langle o, r \rangle)$ is a closed real semi-analytic subset of real codimension ≥ 3 in S_o for all $r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$.

The number of the irreducible components of D is at most countable. Let D_1, D_2, \dots be the irreducible components of D , and let λ_i be a point on D_i . By Baire's category theorem, $\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \setminus (\cup_i W(\lambda_i))$ is non-empty. Let y be a point of $\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \setminus (\cup_i W(\lambda_i))$, and put

$$G_y := \{\Lambda \in \text{Grass}(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^{n-g}); y \in \Lambda\}.$$

Since $\lambda_i \notin D_y$, D_y is a closed analytic subset of codimension 1 in A .

The number of the irreducible components of D_y is at most countable. Let $D_{y,1}, D_{y,2}, \dots$ be the irreducible components of D_y , and let $\lambda_{y,j}$ be a point of $D_{y,j}$. We put

$$\Gamma_{y,j} := \{\Lambda \in G_y; \Lambda \subset W(\lambda_{y,j})\}.$$

Then $\Gamma_{y,j}$ is a Zariski closed subset of codimension ≥ 1 in G_y . We also put

$$\Gamma_i := \{\Lambda \in G_y; \Lambda \text{ does not intersect } W(\lambda_i) \text{ transversely}\}.$$

Since $y \notin W(\lambda_i)$ and $W(\lambda_i)$ is reduced by Claim 1, Γ_i is a Zariski closed subset of codimension ≥ 1 in G_y . Hence, by Baire's theorem again, the set

$$G_y \setminus \left(\bigcup_i \Gamma_i \cup \bigcup_j \Gamma_{y,j} \right)$$

is non-empty. We choose a line Λ from this set. By the definition of Γ_i , D_Λ does not contain λ_i for any i . Hence $D_\Lambda \cap D$ is of codimension ≥ 2 in A . By the definition of $\Gamma_{y,j}$, $\Lambda \cap W(\lambda_{y,j})$ consists of finite number of points for all j . Hence there exists a point z on $\Lambda \setminus (\cup_j W(\lambda_{y,j}))$. Then D_z does not contain $\lambda_{y,j}$ for any j . Hence $D_z \cap D_y$ is a closed analytic subset of codimension ≥ 2 in A . This implies that

$$\Xi_\Lambda := \{\lambda \in A; \Lambda \subset W(\lambda)\}$$

is contained in a closed analytic subset of codimension ≥ 2 in A .

Since $D_\Lambda \cap D$ is of codimension ≥ 1 in D , there exists a set $\{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$ of countably many points on $D \setminus D_\Lambda$ which is dense in D . Let $E_\nu(\tau)$ be the union of all affine lines in A passing through a_ν and intersecting $D_\Lambda(a_\nu, \tau)$. Let E_ν be the union $\cup_{r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}} E_\nu(\tau)$. Each $E_\nu(\tau)$ is a closed subset of A which is real semi-analytic of real codimension ≥ 1 . Hence, by Baire's theorem again, we have

$$A \setminus \cup_\nu E_\nu = A \setminus \cup_\nu (\cup_{n=1}^\infty E_\nu(n)) \neq \emptyset.$$

Let o be a point of $A \setminus \cup_\nu E_\nu$. Then $\tilde{R}_o(D(o, \tau)) \cap \tilde{R}_o(D_\Lambda(o, \tau))$ is a closed real semi-analytic subset of real codimension ≥ 2 in S_o for all τ , because $\tilde{R}_o(D_\Lambda(o, \tau))$ does not contain the image of a_ν by the projection $\omega : A \setminus \{o\} \rightarrow S_o$, and the set $\{\omega(a_\nu); a_\nu \in D(o, \tau)\}$ is dense in $\tilde{R}_o(D(o, \tau))$.

Let $\tilde{R}_o(D, D_\Lambda, \tau)$ be the union of the irreducible components of $\tilde{R}_o(D, D_\Lambda, \tau)$ which are of real codimension 2 in S_o . Recall that Ξ_Λ is contained in a closed analytic subset of codimension ≥ 2 in A . Hence $\tilde{R}_o(\Xi_\Lambda(o, \tau))$ is contained in a closed real semi-analytic subset of real codimension ≥ 3 in S_o . Thus there exists a set $\{b_1, b_2, \dots\}$ of countably many points of $\tilde{R}_o(D, D_\Lambda, \tau) \setminus \tilde{R}_o(\Xi(o, \tau))$ which is dense in $\tilde{R}_o(D, D_\Lambda, \tau)$. Let σ_μ be the real semi-line in A passing through o and b_μ with the end-point o . Then the intersection

$$\Lambda \cap (\cup_{\lambda \in \sigma_\mu(o, t)} W(\lambda))$$

is a closed real semi-analytic subset of Λ of real codimension ≥ 1 for all $t \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$. Hence $\Lambda \setminus \cup_\mu (\cup_{\lambda \in \sigma_\mu} W(\lambda))$ is a non-empty set, from which we choose a point x . Then $\tilde{R}_o(D_x)$ contains none of b_μ . This implies that $\tilde{R}_o(D(o, \tau)) \cap \tilde{R}_o(D_\Lambda(o, \tau)) \cap \tilde{R}_o(D_x(o, \tau))$ is a closed real semi-analytic subset of real codimension ≥ 3 . \square

Thus the construction of the hoped-for data is completed.

The projection $(\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times A) \setminus \mathcal{W} \rightarrow A$ is locally trivial (in the category of differentiable manifolds) over $A \setminus D$. Moreover, when we are given a continuous map $f_0 : I^2 \rightarrow A$ such that $f_0(\partial I^2) \cap D = \emptyset$, then we can perturb f_0 to $f_\epsilon : I^2 \rightarrow A$ homotopically relative to ∂I^2 so that $f_\epsilon^{-1}(f_\epsilon(I^2) \cap D)$ consists of finitely many points in I^2 .

Now we can apply the argument in the first paragraph of [Sh, p.519], and follow the proof of [Sh, Corollary] to obtain the isomorphism (2.4). The assumption (C.1) in [Sh, Corollary] follows from Claim 1. The assumption (S) in [Sh, p.511] follows from the above construction. The assumptions (2.1), (2.2) and (3.1) in [Sh, Theorems 2 and 3] hold obviously. The assumption (3.2) in [Sh, Theorem 3] does not hold in our case, at least literally, because we have left the category of algebraic varieties when we take the universal covering of $\text{Pic}^n(C)$. This assumption, however, is used only in [Sh, §1.3]. All we have to do is to replace \mathbb{P}^M in [Sh, p.517] by the first factor \mathbb{P}^{n-g} of the product $\mathbb{P}^{n-g} \times \mathbb{C}^g$, and to replace Zariski open subsets of B by classically open subsets of B . \square

3 The braid groups $B(g, n)$

Consider the braid group $B(g, n)$ of n strings on a surface S_g of genus g . We shall assume that $n \geq 2g + 1$. The presentation of $B(g, n)$ was obtained in [Sc]. The sets of generators and defining relations of the presentation in [Sc] (after correction misprints) can be reduced to the following presentation of $B(g, n)$. The generators of $B(g, n)$ are

$$\rho_{i,j}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq 2g; \\ \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_{n-1}.$$

The set of defining relations consists of

$$[\rho_{i,j}, \rho_{k,l}] = 1, \quad i < k, j < l, (j, l) \neq (2t-1, 2t); \quad (1)$$

$$[\rho_{i,j}, \sigma_k] = 1, \quad i \neq k \text{ nor } k-1; \quad (2)$$

$$\rho_{k,j} = \sigma_k \rho_{k+1,j} \sigma_k^{-1}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n-1; \quad (3)$$

$$(\rho_{i,j} \sigma_i^{-1})^2 = (\sigma_i^{-1} \rho_{i,j})^2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq 2g; \quad (4)$$

$$[\sigma_i, \sigma_j] = 1, \quad |i-j| \neq 1; \quad (5)$$

$$\sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-2; \quad (6)$$

$$[(\sigma_i \rho_{j,2i} \sigma_i^{-1}), \rho_{j,2i-1}^{-1}] = \sigma_i^2, \quad j = i, \text{ or } i+1; \quad (7)$$

$$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \cdots \sigma_{n-2} \sigma_{n-1}^2 \sigma_{n-2} \cdots \sigma_1 = [\rho_{1,1}, \rho_{1,2}^{-1}] [\rho_{1,3}, \rho_{1,4}^{-1}] \cdots [\rho_{1,2g-1}, \rho_{1,2g}^{-1}]. \quad (8)$$

Note that we read all words contained in the presentation given in [Sc] from right to left and write down them from left to right.

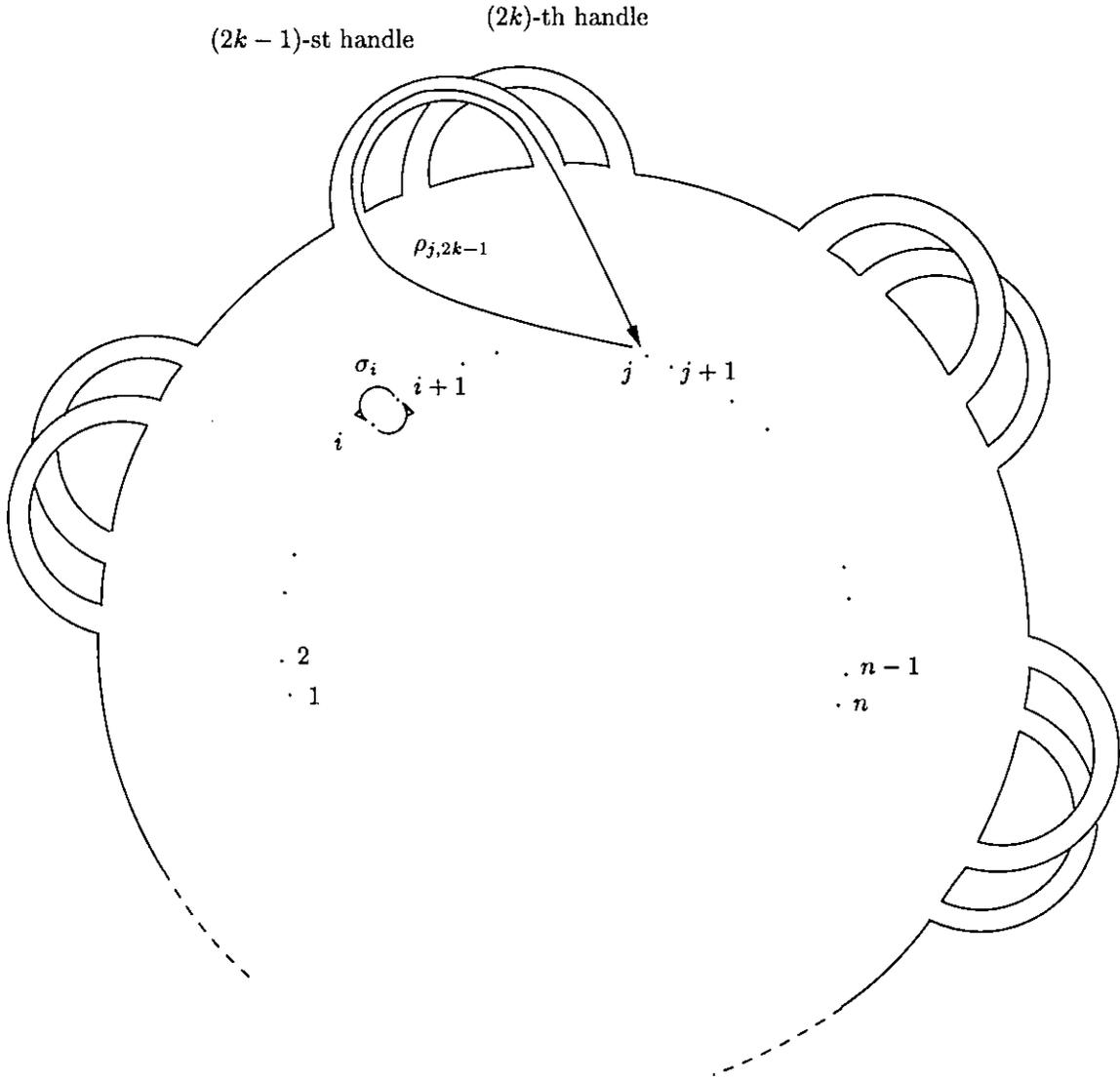


Figure 1

The generators $\rho_{i,j}$ and σ_k have the following geometrical meaning: S_g minus a 2-disc can be thought as a 2-disc Δ union $2g$ untwisted 1-handles. For each r the $(2r-1)$ st and $(2r)$ th handles are linked and no other pair of handles is linked. We number the handles reading from left to right. We shall assume that n fixed points

lie on a circle which is the boundary of a smaller disc in Δ . We choose one of these points, say x , and number them (starting from x) consecutively moving along the circle in clockwise direction. The elements $\rho_{j,k}$ and σ_i are drawn in Figure 1.

Lemma 1 Put

$$\sigma_n = \sigma_0 = \sigma_1 \cdots \sigma_{n-2} \sigma_{n-1} \sigma_{n-2}^{-1} \cdots \sigma_1^{-1}. \quad (9)$$

and define σ_k for all $k \in \mathbf{Z}$ assuming $\sigma_k = \sigma_{n+k}$. Let

$$A_k = \sigma_k \sigma_{k+1} \cdots \sigma_{k+n-3} \sigma_{k+n-2}^2 \sigma_{k+n-3} \cdots \sigma_k. \quad (10)$$

Then the following relations

$$\sigma_n \sigma_1 \sigma_n = \sigma_1 \sigma_n \sigma_1; \quad (11)$$

$$\sigma_{n-1} \sigma_n \sigma_{n-1} = \sigma_n \sigma_{n-1} \sigma_n; \quad (12)$$

$$\sigma_n \sigma_k = \sigma_k \sigma_n, \quad 2 \leq k \leq n-2; \quad (13)$$

$$A_{k+1} = \sigma_k A_k \sigma_k^{-1}, \quad k \in \mathbf{Z}; \quad (14)$$

$$A_k \sigma_l = \sigma_l A_k, \quad l \neq k \text{ nor } k-1 \pmod{n} \quad (15)$$

are consequences of (5) and (6).

Proof follows from the same assertion for the braid group of n strings on a disc. \square

Lemma 2 The presentation (1) - (8) of $B(g, n)$ is equivalent to the following presentation. The generators of $B(g, n)$ are

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho_{1,1}, \rho_{1,2}, \rho_{3,3}, \rho_{3,4}, \dots, \rho_{2g-1,2g-1}, \rho_{2g-1,2g}, \\ & \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The set of defining relations consists of

$$[\rho_{i,*}, \rho_{j,*}] = 1, \quad i \neq j; \quad (16)$$

$$[\rho_{i,*}, \sigma_j] = 1, \quad j \neq i \text{ nor } i-1; \quad (17)$$

$$[(\sigma_{i-1} \rho_{i,*} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1}), \sigma_i] = 1, \quad i = 1, 3, \dots, 2g-1; \quad (18)$$

$$(\rho_{2i-1,j} \sigma_{2i-1}^{-1})^2 (\sigma_{2i-1}^{-1} \rho_{2i-1,j})^{-2} = 1, \quad j = 2i-1 \text{ or } 2i; \quad (19)$$

$$[\sigma_i, \sigma_j] = 1, \quad |i-j| \neq 1; \quad (20)$$

$$\sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}^{-1} \sigma_i^{-1} \sigma_{i+1}^{-1} = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-2; \quad (21)$$

$$[(\sigma_j \rho_{2i+1,2i} \sigma_j^{-1}), \rho_{2i+1,2i-1}^{-1}] \sigma_j^{-2} = 1, \quad j = 2i \text{ or } 2i+1; \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \cdots \sigma_{n-2} \sigma_{n-1}^2 \sigma_{n-2} \cdots \sigma_{2g-1} [\rho_{2g-1,2g-1}, \rho_{2g-1,2g}^{-1}]^{-1} \sigma_{2g-2} \sigma_{2g-3} \cdots \\ & \cdot [\rho_{2g-3,2g-3}, \rho_{2g-3,2g-2}^{-1}]^{-1} \cdots \sigma_4 \sigma_3 [\rho_{3,3}, \rho_{3,4}^{-1}]^{-1} \sigma_2 \sigma_1 [\rho_{1,1}, \rho_{1,2}^{-1}]^{-1} = 1. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Proof. To obtain relations (1) - (8), we define $\rho_{i,l}$ by induction using (3). After that, to verify relations (2), we need to show by induction that if relations (17), (18) hold for $\rho_{i,l}$, then the similar relations also hold for $\rho_{i\pm 1,l}$. The checking is the following.

$$[\rho_{i-1,l}, \sigma_j] = [\sigma_{i-1} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1}, \sigma_j] = 1$$

for $j \neq i-2$ nor $i-1$ by assumption of induction and by (20).

$$\begin{aligned} & [(\sigma_{i-2} \rho_{i-1,l} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1}), \sigma_{i-1}] = [(\sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1}), \sigma_{i-1}] = \\ & \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} = \\ & \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} = \\ & \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-2} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} = \\ & \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1} \sigma_{i-2} \rho_{i,l} \rho_{i,l} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} \sigma_{i-2}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1} = \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1} \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{i-2} \sigma_{i-1} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

The detailed check of the remaining relations is left to the reader. \square

Denote $c_{2i} = \sigma_{2i+1}^{-1} \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1}$ for $1 \leq i \leq g-1$.

Lemma 3 *The group $B(g, n)$ is generated by*

$$\rho_{1,1}, \rho_{1,2}, \rho_{3,3}, \rho_{3,4}, \dots, \rho_{2g-1,2g-1}, \rho_{2g-1,2g}, \quad (24)$$

$$\sigma_1, c_2, \sigma_3, c_4 \dots, \sigma_{2g-3}, c_{2g-2}, \sigma_{2g-1}, \sigma_{2g}, \dots, \sigma_{n-1}. \quad (25)$$

The set of defining relations consists of

$$R_{1,i,j} := [\rho_{i,*}, \rho_{j,*}] = 1, \quad i \neq j; \quad (26)$$

$$R_{2,i,j} := [\rho_{i,*}, \sigma_j] = 1, \quad i \neq j; \quad (27)$$

$$R_{3,i,j} := [\rho_{2i+1,*}, c_{2j}] = 1, \quad 0 \leq i \leq g-1, 1 \leq j \leq g-1; \quad (28)$$

$$R_{4,i,i} := (\rho_{2i-1,*} \sigma_{2i-1}^{-1})^2 (\sigma_{2i-1}^{-1} \rho_{2i-1,*})^{-2} = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq g; \quad (29)$$

$$R_{5,i,j} := [\sigma_i, \sigma_j] = 1, \quad |i-j| \neq 1; \quad (30)$$

$$R_{5,2j,2j-2} := [c_{2j}, (c_{2j-2}^{-1} \sigma_{2j-1} c_{2j-2})] = 1; \quad (31)$$

$$R_{6,i,j} := [\sigma_i, c_j] = 1, \quad i \neq j \pm 1; \quad (32)$$

$$R_{7,2g,2g-2} := [\sigma_{2g}, (c_{2g-2}^{-1} \sigma_{2g-1} c_{2g-2})] = 1; \quad (33)$$

$$R_{8,i,j} := [c_{2i}, c_{2j}] = 1, \quad |i-j| \neq 1; \quad (34)$$

$$R_{9,i,i} := \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}^{-1} \sigma_i^{-1} \sigma_{i+1}^{-1} = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-2; \quad (35)$$

$$R_{10,i,i} := c_{2i} c_{2i+2} c_{2i} c_{2i+2}^{-1} c_{2i}^{-1} c_{2i+2}^{-1} = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq g-2; \quad (36)$$

$$R_{11,i,i} := c_{2i} \sigma_{2i \pm 1} c_{2i} \sigma_{2i \pm 1}^{-1} c_{2i}^{-1} \sigma_{2i \pm 1}^{-1} = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq g-1; \quad (37)$$

$$R_{12,i,j} := [(\sigma_{2i-1} \rho_{2i-1,2i} \sigma_{2i-1}^{-1}), \rho_{2i-1,2i-1}^{-1}] \sigma_{2i-1}^{-2} = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq g; \quad (38)$$

$$R_{13} := c_2 c_4 \dots c_{2g-2} \sigma_{2g} \sigma_{2g+1} \dots \sigma_{n-2} \sigma_{n-1}^2 \sigma_{n-2} \dots \sigma_{2g} \cdot (\sigma_{2g-1} [\cdot]_{2g-1}^{-1} \sigma_{2g-1}) c_{2g-2} \dots (\sigma_3 [\cdot]_3^{-1} \sigma_3) c_2 (\sigma_1 [\cdot]_1^{-1} \sigma_1) = 1, \quad (39)$$

where $[\cdot]_{2i-1} = [\rho_{2i-1,2i-1}, \rho_{2i-1,2i}^{-1}]$.

Proof. The elements σ_{2i} can be expressed through σ_{2i+1} and c_{2i} :

$$\sigma_{2i} = \sigma_{2i+1} c_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1}^{-1}.$$

Since $\sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i} = \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1}$, it is easy to check that

$$c_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} c_{2i} = \sigma_{2i+1} c_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \quad (40)$$

and

$$\sigma_{2i} = c_{2j} \sigma_{2i+1} c_{2i}^{-1}. \quad (41)$$

If we substitute these expressions into (16) - (23), then we obtain relations (26) - (39). For example, relations (18) (applying (21) and (17)) gives rise to (28). In fact, for $j = i$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{2j+1} \sigma_{2j} \rho_{2j+1,*} \sigma_{2j}^{-1} &= \sigma_{2j} \rho_{2j+1,*} \sigma_{2j}^{-1} \sigma_{2j+1} \Rightarrow \\ \sigma_{2j}^{-1} \sigma_{2j+1} \sigma_{2j} \rho_{2j+1,*} &= \rho_{2j+1,*} \sigma_{2j}^{-1} \sigma_{2j+1} \sigma_{2j} \Rightarrow \\ \sigma_{2j}^{-1} (\sigma_{2j+1} \sigma_{2j} \sigma_{2j+1}) \sigma_{2j+1}^{-1} \rho_{2j+1,*} &= \rho_{2j+1,*} \sigma_{2j}^{-1} (\sigma_{2j+1} \sigma_{2j} \sigma_{2j+1}) \sigma_{2j+1}^{-1} \Rightarrow \text{(by (21))} \\ \sigma_{2j}^{-1} (\sigma_{2j} \sigma_{2j+1} \sigma_{2j}) \sigma_{2j+1}^{-1} \rho_{2j+1,*} &= \rho_{2j+1,*} \sigma_{2j}^{-1} (\sigma_{2j} \sigma_{2j+1} \sigma_{2j}) \sigma_{2j+1}^{-1} \Rightarrow \\ c_{2j} \rho_{2j+1,*} &= \rho_{2j+1,*} c_{2j}. \end{aligned}$$

If $j \neq i$, then (28) is a consequence of (18), since σ_{2j} and σ_{2j+1} are commutative with $\rho_{2i+1,*}$.

Conversely, if we substitute $\sigma_{2i-1}^{-1} \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i-1}$ in (26) - (39) instead of c_{2i} we obtain relations (16) - (23). The details are left to the reader. \square

For the presentation of $B(g, n)$ given in Lemma 3, the following elements will be called the additional generators: σ_{2i} defined by (41), $1 \leq i \leq g-1$; σ_n defined by (9); A_k defined by (10); $\rho_{i,j}$ recurrently defined

by (3), $(i, j) \neq (2t-1, 2t-1)$ nor $(2t-1, 2t)$; $B_{i,j} = [\rho_{i,2j-1}, \rho_{i,2j}]$; and $c_0 = \sigma_1^{-1} \sigma_n \sigma_1$. It is easy to check that the following relations hold.

$$\sigma_n = c_0 \sigma_1 c_0^{-1}; \quad (42)$$

$$c_0 \sigma_1 c_0 = \sigma_1 c_0 \sigma_1; \quad (43)$$

$$c_0 \sigma_n c_0 = \sigma_n c_0 \sigma_n; \quad (44)$$

$$[\sigma_j, c_0] = 1, \quad 2 \leq j \leq n-1; \quad (45)$$

$$[\rho_{2j-1,*}, c_0] = 1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq g; \quad (46)$$

$$[B_{2i-1,j}, c_{2k}] = 1, \quad \text{for all } i, j, k; \quad (47)$$

$$[B_{i,j}, \sigma_k] = 1, \quad i \neq k \text{ nor } k-1; \quad (48)$$

$$B_{k,j} = \sigma_k B_{k+1,j} \sigma_k^{-1}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n-1; \quad (49)$$

The following lemma is a corollary from Lemmas 1 - 3.

Lemma 4 *Relations (2), (11) - (15), (42) - (49) are consequences of (27), (28), (30) - (37), (39).*

Denote relations (2), (11) - (15), (42) - (49), respectively, by $\tilde{R}_1, \dots, \tilde{R}_{15}$.

4 Proof of Theorem 2

In the sequel we use presentation (24) - (39) of $B(g, n)$. Consider the homomorphism

$$\alpha: B(g, n) \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}^{2g}$$

sending $\rho_{2i-1,j}$ to $\bar{1}_j = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$, where 1 is in j th place, and sending all σ_i and c_{2j} to zero. Obviously, $\alpha \simeq \phi'_*$. Denote by $G = G_{g,n}$ the kernel of α . Put $\rho_j = \rho_{2i-1,j}$, where $\rho_{2i-1,j}$ are the generators of $B(g, n)$ from presentation (24) - (39).

By Reidemeister - Schreier Theorem [R], [Sch], the following elements are generators of G :

$$a_{k,I} = (\rho^I) \rho_k (\rho^{I+1_k})^{-1}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq 2g; \quad (50)$$

$$c_{2j,\bar{I}} = (\rho^I) c_{2j} (\rho^I)^{-1}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq g-1; \quad (51)$$

$$g_{l,I} = (\rho^I) \sigma_l (\rho^I)^{-1}, \quad l = 1, 3, \dots, 2g-1, 2g, \dots, n-1, \quad (52)$$

where $\bar{I} = (i_1, \dots, i_{2g})$ and

$$\rho^{\bar{I}} = \rho_1^{i_1} \dots \rho_{2g}^{i_{2g}}.$$

The defining relations of G are

$$R_{k,i,j}^{\bar{I}} = (\rho^{\bar{I}}) R_{k,i,j} (\rho^{\bar{I}})^{-1}, \quad k = 1, \dots, 13, \quad (53)$$

where each $R_{k,i,j}^{\bar{I}}$ is written as a word in the generators a_* , c_* and g_* .

Remark 1 *If a relation R is a consequence of relations $R_1 \dots, R_k$, then for fixed \bar{I} the relation $R^{\bar{I}}$ is a consequence of the relations $R_1^{\bar{I}} \dots, R_k^{\bar{I}}$.*

Decrease the number of generators of G . It follows from (26) that

$$a_{2j,I} = 1 \quad (54)$$

for $1 \leq i \leq g$ and all \bar{I} . Similarly,

$$a_{2j-1, i_1, \dots, i_{2j-1}, 0, i_{2j+1}, \dots, i_{2g}} = 1 \quad (55)$$

for all sets of integers $(i_1, \dots, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j+1}, \dots, i_{2g})$.

Relations (26) give rise to

$$a_{2j-1, I} a_{2l, I+\bar{1}_{2j-1}} a_{2j-1, \bar{I}+\bar{1}_{2l}}^{-1} a_{2l, I}^{-1} = 1, \quad j \neq l, \quad (56)$$

and

$$a_{2l-1, \bar{I}} a_{2j-1, \bar{I}+\bar{1}_{2l-1}} a_{2l-1, I+\bar{1}_{2j-1}}^{-1} a_{2j-1, I}^{-1} = 1, \quad j \neq l. \quad (57)$$

It follows from (54) - (57) that

$$a_{2j-1, i_1, \dots, i_{2j-2}, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}, i_{2j+1}, \dots, i_{2g}} = a_{2j-1, 0, \dots, 0, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}, 0, \dots, 0} = a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}, \quad (58)$$

that is, $a_{2j-1, i_1, \dots, i_{2j-2}, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}, i_{2j+1}, \dots, i_{2g}}$ does not depend on $i_1, \dots, i_{2j-2}, i_{2j+1}, \dots, i_{2g}$. In particular, by (55),

$$a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 0} = 1. \quad (59)$$

Similarly, it follows from (27) and (28) that

$$g_{2j-1, i_1, \dots, i_{2j-2}, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}, i_{2j+1}, \dots, i_{2g}} = g_{2j-1, 0, \dots, 0, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}, 0, \dots, 0} = g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}, \quad j \leq g; \quad (60)$$

$$g_{j, i_1, \dots, i_{2g}} = g_{j, 0, \dots, 0} = g_j, \quad j \geq 2g; \quad (61)$$

$$c_{2j, i_1, \dots, i_{2g}} = c_{2j, 0, \dots, 0} = c_{2j}, \quad (62)$$

that is, g_j, i_1, \dots, i_{2g} , $j \geq 2g$, and $c_{2j, i_1, \dots, i_{2g}}$ do not depend on i_1, \dots, i_{2g} .

Similarly, it follows from (46) that the generators $c_{0, I}$ corresponding to the additional generator c_0 do not depend on \bar{I} , that is, $c_{0, I} = c_0$. By (41), the generators $g_{2j, I}$ corresponding to the additional generator σ_{2j} :

$$g_{2j, I} = c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j}^{-1} \quad (63)$$

do not depend on $i_1, \dots, i_{2j-2}, i_{2j+1}, \dots, i_{2g}$, and it follows from (42) that the generators $g_{n, I}$ corresponding to the additional generator σ_n :

$$g_{n, I} = c_0 g_{i_1, i_2} c_0^{-1} \quad (64)$$

do not depend on i_3, \dots, i_{2g} .

Denote by $A_{k, I}$, $\rho_{j, k, I}$, and $B_{j, k, I}$ the generators corresponding respectively to the additional generators A_k , $\rho_{j, k}$, and $B_{j, k}$. The relations defining $B_{j, k}$ give rise to the relations

$$B_{j, k, I} = \rho_{j, 2k-1, \bar{I}} \rho_{j, 2k, I+\bar{1}_{2k-1}}^{-1} \rho_{j, 2k-1, I+\bar{1}_{2k}}^{-1} \rho_{j, 2k, I}^{-1}$$

in particular,

$$B_{2k-1, k, I} = a_{2k-1, i_{2k-1}, i_{2k}} a_{2k-1, i_{2k-1}, i_{2k-1}}^{-1}, \quad (65)$$

and relations (47) and (48) yield the following relations

$$[B_{l, j, I}, c_{k, I}] = 1, \quad \text{for all } l, j, k; \quad (66)$$

$$[B_{l, j, I}, \sigma_{k, I}] = 1, \quad l \neq k \text{ nor } k-1. \quad (67)$$

Let us write down relations (53).

$$R_{1, j, l}^I := [a_{2j-1, *}, a_{2l-1, *}] = 1, \quad j \neq l; \quad (68)$$

$$R_{2, j, l}^I := [a_{2j-1, *}, g_{2l-1, *}] = 1, \quad j \neq l; \quad (69)$$

$$R_{2, j, l}^I := [a_{2j-1, *}, g_l] = 1, \quad l \geq 2g; \quad (70)$$

$$R_{3, j, l}^I := [a_{2j-1, *}, c_{2l}] = 1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq g, \quad 1 \leq l \leq g-1; \quad (71)$$

$$R_{4, 2j-1, 2j-1}^I := a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, i_{2j}}^{-1} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, i_{2j}} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, i_{2j}} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+2, i_{2j}}^{-1} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, i_{2j}}^{-1} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} = 1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq g; \quad (72)$$

$$R_{4,2j-1,2j}^I := g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1}^{-1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+2}^{-1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}} = 1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq g; \quad (73)$$

$$R_{5,i,j}^I := [g_i, g_j] = 1, \quad |i-j| \neq 1, i, j \geq 2g; \quad (74)$$

$$R_{5,j,l}^I := [g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}, g_{2l-1,i_{2l-1},i_{2l}}] = 1, \quad l \neq j; \quad (75)$$

$$R_{5,2g-1,j}^I := [g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}}, g_j] = 1, \quad j > 2g; \quad (76)$$

$$R_{5,2j,2j-2}^I := [c_{2j}, (c_{2j-2}^{-1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}} c_{2j-2})] = 1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq g-1; \quad (77)$$

$$R_{6,j,l}^I := [g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}, c_{2l}] = 1, \quad j \neq l \text{ and } j \neq l+1; \quad (78)$$

$$R_{7,2g,2g-2}^I := [g_{2g}, (c_{2g-2}^{-1} g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}} c_{2g-2})] = 1; \quad (79)$$

$$R_{8,i,j}^I := [c_{2i}, c_{2j}] = 1, \quad |i-j| \neq 1; \quad (80)$$

$$R_{9,j,j}^I := g_j g_{j+1} g_j = g_{j+1} g_j g_{j+1}, \quad 2g \leq j \leq n-2; \quad (81)$$

$$R_{9,2g-1,2g}^I := g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}} g_{2g} g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}} = g_{2g} g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}} g_{2g}; \quad (82)$$

$$R_{10,i,i}^I := c_{2i} c_{2i+2} c_{2i} = c_{2i+2} c_{2i} c_{2i+2}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq g-2; \quad (83)$$

$$R_{11,j,j}^I := c_{2j} g_{2j \pm 1, i_{2j \pm 1}, i_{2j \pm 1} + 1} c_{2j} = g_{2j \pm 1, i_{2j \pm 1}, i_{2j \pm 1} + 1} c_{2j} g_{2j \pm 1, i_{2j \pm 1}, i_{2j \pm 1} + 1}, \quad j \leq g-1; \quad (84)$$

$$R_{11,g,g}^I := c_{2g-2} g_{2g} c_{2g-2} = g_{2g} c_{2g-2} g_{2g}; \quad (85)$$

$$R_{12,j,1}^I := a_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1} = g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}^{-1} a_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1}^{-1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}^{-1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}^{-1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1}; \quad (86)$$

$$R_{13}^I := c_2 c_4 \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} g_{2g+1} \cdots g_{n-2} g_{n-1}^{-1} g_{n-2} \cdots g_{2g} \cdot (g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}} (a_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}} a_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}}^{-1})^{-1} g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},i_{2g}}) c_{2g-2} \cdots \cdots (g_{3,i_3,i_4} (a_{3,i_3,i_4} a_{3,i_3,i_4}^{-1})^{-1} g_{3,i_3,i_4}) c_2 (g_{1,i_1,i_2} (a_{1,i_1,i_2} a_{1,i_1,i_2}^{-1})^{-1} g_{1,i_1,i_2}) = 1. \quad (87)$$

Each relation depends on at most two parameters and the set of relations is similar to the relations in [Z] in the case $g = 1$. Now we shall show how to obtain a finite presentation of G using the arguments of [Z].

Relations (73) imply that $g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}$ is independent of i_{2j} . Let for brevity,

$$g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}+1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}} = s_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}}. \quad (88)$$

The recurrence relations (86) allow us to express all $a_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}$'s in terms of the $g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}$'s, since $a_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},0} = 0$ by (55). We obtain

$$a_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}} = g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},0} s_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}}^{-i_{2j}}. \quad (89)$$

Substituting these expressions of $a_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},i_{2j}}$'s into relation (87) and taking into account (88) we find in a straightforward manner that relations (87) can be replaced by the following relations:

$$c_2 \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n-1} g_{n-1} \cdots g_{2g} (g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},1} g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1}+1,1} g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1}+1,0} g_{2g-1,i_{2g-1},0}) c_{2g-2} \cdots \cdots (g_{3,i_3,1} g_{3,i_3+1,1} g_{3,i_3+1,0} g_{3,i_3,0}) c_2 (g_{1,i_1,1} g_{1,i_1+1,1} g_{1,i_1+1,0} g_{1,i_1,0}) = 1. \quad (90)$$

By (55), relation (72) for $i_{2j} = 0$ yields the following relation

$$g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}+2,0} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}+1,0} = g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}+1,0} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},0}. \quad (91)$$

Since, by (90), the product

$$g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}+1,1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}+1,0} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},0}$$

is independent of i_1, \dots, i_{2g-1} , we deduce, as a cosequence of (91), the following relation

$$g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}+1,1} = g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1}-1,1} g_{2j-1,i_{2j-1},1}. \quad (92)$$

Lemma 5 The defining relations (72) are consequences of the set of relations (68) - (71), (73) - (87), (91), (92), where the elements $a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ are defined by (88) and (89).

Proof. Denote by

$$\tau_{2j-1} = (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, 1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, 0} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 0})^{-1}. \quad (93)$$

or, equivalently,

$$\tau_{2j-1} = g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}^{-1} (a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}-1}^{-1}) g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} \quad (94)$$

By (90), we have

$$\tau_{2j-1} = c_{2j-2} \tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n-2} g_{n-1}^2 g_{n-2} \cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} c_{2j} \quad (95)$$

By (69) - (71) and due to (93) and the previous equation, each element $a_{2l-1, i_{2l-1}, i_{2l}}$, $1 \leq l \leq g$, and τ_{2j-1} commute, hence τ_{2j-1} and $a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}-1}^{-1}$ commute, i.e. in view of (94), τ_{2j-1} and $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} \tau_{2j-1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ commute:

$$(\tau_{2j-1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}})^2 = (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} \tau_{2j-1})^2.$$

The rest of the proof of Lemma coincides with the proof of the same assertion in the case $g = 1$ and is contained in [Z] pp. 347 - 349 (starting from equation (14) in [Z]). \square

Lemma 6 The set of relations (68) - (71), (73) - (87), (91), (92) is equivalent to the set (73) - (85), (90), (91), (92), where the elements $a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ are defined by (88) and (89).

Proof. Relations (68) and (69) are cosequences of (75) due to (89).

Relations (71), $l \neq j$ and $l \neq j+1$, are cosequences of (78) in view of (89). Deduce (71) from (73) - (84), (90), (91), (92) in the case $l = j$. By (87) (which is cosequence of (90), (88) and (89)),

$$a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}-1}^{-1} = g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} \tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n-1}^2 \cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}.$$

Since $a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 0} = 1$, it is sufficient to deduce that c_{2j} and $a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}-1}^{-1}$ commute. Note that relations (77) and (79), in view of (82) and (84), are equivalent respectively to

$$\left[c_{2j}, (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}^{-1}) \right] = 1 \quad (96)$$

and

$$\left[g_{2g}, (g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}, i_{2g}} c_{2g-2} g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}, i_{2g}}^{-1}) \right] = 1. \quad (97)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & c_{2j} (a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}-1}^{-1}) = \\ & \frac{c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} \tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots}{\cdots g_{n-1}^2 \cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}} = \text{(by (96))} \\ & \frac{g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}})^{\tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots}}{\cdots g_{n-1}^2 \cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}} = \text{(by (74) - (80))} \\ & \frac{g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} \tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}})^{c_{2j-2} c_{2j} \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots}}{\cdots g_{n-1}^2 \cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}} = \text{(by (96))} \\ & \frac{g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} \tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots c_{2j-2} c_{2j} (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}})^{\cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots}}{\cdots g_{n-1}^2 \cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}} = \text{(by (74) - (80))} \\ & \frac{g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} \tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots c_{2j-2} c_{2j} \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n-1}^2 \cdots}{\cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}})^{c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}} = \text{(by (84))} \\ & \frac{g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2} \tau_{2j-3}^{-1} \cdots c_2 \tau_1^{-1} c_2 \cdots c_{2j-2} c_{2j} \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n-1}^2 \cdots}{\cdots g_{2g} \tau_{2g-1}^{-1} c_{2g-2} \cdots \tau_{2j+1}^{-1} c_{2j} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j}} = \\ & (a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}-1}^{-1}) c_{2j}. \end{aligned}$$

The deducting of (70) and (71) (in the case $l = j + 1$) from (73) - (84), (90), (91), (92) is the same as the previous one and will be omitted. \square

The relations (73):

$$g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}+2} = g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}+1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}+1}^{-1}, \quad (98)$$

for a fixed value of i_{2j-1} , can be considered as recurrence relations defining the elements $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ in terms of the two free elements $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 0}$ and $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 1}$. Then the relations (91) and (92) can be used in order to express all the elements $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 0}$ and $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 1}$ in terms of $g_{2j-1, 0, 0}$, $g_{2j-1, 1, 0}$ and $g_{2j-1, 0, 1}$, $g_{2j-1, 1, 1}$ respectively. Consequently, our group $G_{g, n}$ is generated by $3g + n - 1$ elements:

$$g_{2j-1, 0, 0}, g_{2j-1, 1, 0}, g_{2j-1, 0, 1}, g_{2j-1, 1, 1}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq g; \quad (99)$$

$$c_2, c_4, \dots, c_{2g-2}; \quad (100)$$

$$g_{2g}, g_{2g+1}, \dots, g_{n-1}. \quad (101)$$

Relations (75) - (79) follow from the same relations for $g_{2j-1, 0, 0}$, $g_{2j-1, 1, 0}$, $g_{2j-1, 0, 1}$, $g_{2j-1, 1, 1}$ (respectively, $g_{2g-1, 0, 0}$, $g_{2g-1, 1, 0}$, $g_{2g-1, 0, 1}$, $g_{2g-1, 1, 1}$), since all $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ (respectively, $g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}, i_{2g}}$) belong to a subgroup generated by these elements, and since relations (77) (respectively, (79)) can be written as

$$[(c_{2j-2} c_{2j} c_{2j-2}^{-1}), g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}] = 1; \quad (102)$$

$$[(c_{2g-2} g_{2g} c_{2g-2}^{-1}), g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}, i_{2g}}] = 1. \quad (103)$$

Applying Zariski's Lemma ([Z], p.350), we obtain that relations (84) (for (82) the arguments are the same) are consequences of any three of them relative to three consecutive indices i_{2j} , say $i_{2j} = 0, 1, 2$. By (91) and (92), we conclude, on the basis of Zariski's Lemma, that for $i_{2j} = 0, 1$ relations (84) are consequences of three of these relations relative to three consecutive values of i_{2j-1} , say $i_{2j-1} = 0, 1, 2$. To decrease the number of relations (84) for $i_{2j} = 2$, we change, as in [Z], these relations to equivalent relations

$$(g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 0} c_{2j})^2 = (c_{2j} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 0})^2. \quad (104)$$

To show that these relations are equivalent to one of them, say

$$(g_{2j\pm 1, 0, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, 0, 0} c_{2j})^2 = (c_{2j} g_{2j\pm 1, 0, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, 0, 0})^2, \quad (105)$$

it is sufficient to show that the expressions

$$s_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}} = (g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 0} c_{2j})^2 (c_{2j} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 0})^{-2}$$

are all transforms of each other, for $i_{2j\pm 1} = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, as a consequence of relations (74) - (84) ($i_{2j} = 0$ or 1 , $1 \leq j \leq g - 1$), (73), (87), (91), (92) (where the elements $a_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ are defined by (88) and (89)), and additional relations defining additional generators. Hence, we shall be able to take the relations corresponding to $i_{2j-1} = 0$. For this we need, in order to apply Zariski's arguments (see the computation on p. 351 in [Z]), to show that

$$\delta_{j, \pm} = \delta_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}} = c_{2j} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}+1, 1} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}+1, 0} g_{2j\pm 1, i_{2j\pm 1}, 0} c_{2j}$$

are commutative respectively with $g_{2j+1, i_{2j+1}, i_{2j}+2}$ and $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ in the case $i_{2j}+2$ and $i_{2j} = 0$ or 1 . Let us check that $\delta_{j-1, +}$ and $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ commute. For this, denote by

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (g_{2j-3, i_{2j-3}, 1} g_{2j-3, i_{2j-3}+1, 1} g_{2j-3, i_{2j-3}+1, 0} g_{2j-3, i_{2j-3}, 0}) c_{2j-4} \cdots c_2 (g_{1, i_1, 1} g_{1, i_1+1, 1} g_{1, i_1+1, 0} \\ &\quad \cdot g_{1, i_1+1, 0} g_{1, i_1, 0}) c_2 \cdots c_{2j-4}; \\ B &= c_{2j+2} \cdots c_{2g-2} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n-1} g_{n-1} \cdots g_{2g} (g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}, 1} g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}+1, 1} g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}+1, 0} g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}, 0}) \\ &\quad \cdot c_{2g-2} \cdots (g_{2j+1, i_{2j+1}, 1} g_{2j+1, i_{2j+1}+1, 1} g_{2j+1, i_{2j+1}+1, 0} g_{2j+1, i_{2j+1}, 0}). \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} \delta_{j-1, +}^{-1} = && \text{(by (90))} \\
& (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}) A c_{2j-2} c_{2j} B c_{2j} c_{2j-2}^{-1} = && \text{(by (74) - (76))} \\
& A (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}) c_{2j-2} c_{2j} B c_{2j} c_{2j-2}^{-1} = && \text{(by (77), (83), (84))} \\
& \frac{A c_{2j-2} c_{2j} (c_{2j-2}^{-1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2}) B c_{2j} c_{2j-2}^{-1}}{A c_{2j-2} c_{2j} B (c_{2j-2}^{-1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} c_{2j-2}) c_{2j} c_{2j-2}^{-1}} = && \text{(by (74) - (76), (78), (80))} \\
& A c_{2j-2} c_{2j} B c_{2j} c_{2j-2}^{-1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}} = && \text{(by (77), (83), (84))} \\
& \delta_{j-1, +}^{-1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}.
\end{aligned}$$

To prove that $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ and $\delta_{j,-}^{-1}$ commute in the case $i_{2j} = 0$ or 1 , we need the following lemma.

Lemma 7 For fixed $\bar{I} = (i_1, \dots, i_{2g})$, where $i_{2j} = 0$ or 1 , the following relation

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{2j-1, I} = & B_{2j-1, j, I} g_{2j-1, I}^{-1} g_{2j, I}^{-1} B_{2j+1, j+1, I} g_{2j+1, I}^{-1} g_{2j+2, I}^{-1} \cdots g_{2g-3, I}^{-1} g_{2g-2, I}^{-1} B_{2g-1, g, I} \cdot \\
& \cdot g_{2g-1, I}^{-1} g_{2g, I}^{-1} A_{2g+1, I}^{-1} B_{2g+1, 1, I} \cdots B_{2g+1, j-1, I} A_{2g+1, I} g_{2g, I} \cdots g_{2j-1, I}
\end{aligned} \tag{106}$$

is a consequence of relations (68) - (71), (73) - (85), (87) with the same set \bar{I} .

Proof. By (8),

$$A_1 = B_{1,1} \cdots B_{1,g}.$$

Hence,

$$A_1 = B_{1,j} \cdots B_{1,g} A_1^{-1} B_{1,1} \cdots B_{1,j-1} A_1.$$

By (14) and (49), this relation can be written in the form

$$A_{2j-1} = B_{2j-1, j} \cdots B_{2j-1, g} A_{2j-1}^{-1} B_{2j-1, 1} \cdots B_{2j-1, j-1} A_{2j-1}.$$

If we substitute in the last relation $\sigma_{2j-1}^{-1} \cdots \sigma_{2k-2}^{-1} B_{2k-1, k} \sigma_{2k-2} \cdots \sigma_{2j-1}$ instead of $B_{2j-1, k}$ for $k > j$; $\sigma_{2j-1}^{-1} \cdots \sigma_{2g}^{-1} A_{2g+1} \sigma_{2g} \cdots \sigma_{2j-1}$ instead of A_{2j-1} ; and for $k < j$, substitute $\sigma_{2j-1}^{-1} \cdots \sigma_{2g}^{-1} B_{2g+1, k} \sigma_{2g} \cdots \sigma_{2j-1}$ instead of $B_{2j-1, k}$, we obtain the following relation

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{2j-1} = & B_{2j-1, j} \sigma_{2j-1}^{-1} \sigma_{2j}^{-1} B_{2j+1, j+1} \sigma_{2j+1}^{-1} \sigma_{2j+2}^{-1} \cdots \sigma_{2g-3}^{-1} \sigma_{2g-2}^{-1} B_{2g-1, g} \cdot \\
& \cdot \sigma_{2g-1}^{-1} \sigma_{2g}^{-1} A_{2g+1}^{-1} B_{2g+1, 1} \cdots B_{2g+1, j-1} A_{2g+1} \sigma_{2g} \cdots \sigma_{2j-1}
\end{aligned} \tag{107}$$

Now Lemma follows from Lemma 4 and Remark 1. \square

Since, by (65), $B_{2k-1, k, I} = a_{2k-1, i_{2k-1}, i_{2k}} a_{2k-1, i_{2k-1}, i_{2k-1}}^{-1}$, therefore, by (89), (91), (92), and (63), relation (107) can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_{j,-}^{-1} = & c_{2j}^{-1} (g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, 1} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}+1, 0} g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, 0})^{-1} c_{2j}^{-1} = \\
& g_{2j+2, I} \cdots g_{2g-1, I} g_{2g} \cdots g_{n+2j-3, I} g_{n+2j-3, I} \cdots g_{2g+1, I} A_{2g+1, I}^{-1} B_{2g+1, j-1, I}^{-1} \cdots B_{2g+1, 1, I}^{-1} A_{2g+1, I} \cdot \\
& \cdot g_{2g} g_{2g-1, i_{2g-1}, i_{2g}} B_{2g-1, g, I}^{-1} g_{2g-2, i_{2g-3}, i_{2g-2}} \cdots g_{2j+2, i_{2j+1}, i_{2j+2}} B_{2j+1, j+1, I}^{-1} g_{2j+1, i_{2j+1}, i_{2j+2}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{108}$$

Now, by Lemma 4, Remark 1, and by (13) - (15), (30), (45) - (48), it is obvious that $g_{2j-1, i_{2j-1}, i_{2j}}$ and $\delta_{j,-}^{-1}$ commute.

Finally, by (91) and (92), we observe that the infinite set of relations (87) reduces to one relation, say $i_{2j-1} = 0$ for all j . This completes the proof of Theorem 2.

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