# Commensurability of Surface Automorphisms 

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If two pseudo D-type automorphisms $\left(F_{1}, \phi_{1}\right),\left(F_{2}, \phi_{2}\right)$ are commensurable, then

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- In fact, we can construct infinite different structures of surface bundle over circle up to rational commensurability on some 3 manifold $M$.


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We can also construct $M=F_{1} \times I / \phi_{1}=F_{2} \times I / \phi_{2},\left(F_{1}, \phi_{1}\right),\left(F_{2}, \phi_{2}\right)$ are not rational commensurable, and $g\left(F_{1}\right)=g\left(F_{2}\right)$.

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## Thank You!

