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Combination of quasiconvex subgroups of relatively hyperbolic groups. (English)

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Let G be a group generated by a finite set X and hyperbolic relative to a collection of subgroups \mathcal{H} . A subgroup of G is called parabolic if it can be conjugated into one of the subgroups in \mathcal{H} . Moreover, a subgroup of G is called a relatively quasiconvex subgroup if it is a quasiconvex subgroup of the coned-off Cayley graph of (G, X, \mathcal{H}) .

In the paper under review are proved the following main theorems. 1. For any relatively quasiconvex subgroup Q and any maximal parabolic subgroup P of G , there is a constant $C = C(Q, P) \geq 0$ with the following property. If R is a subgroup of P such that (a) $Q \cap P \subset R$, and (b) $d_X(g, 1) \geq C$ for any $g \in R \setminus Q$, then the natural homomorphism $Q *_{Q \cap R} R \rightarrow G$ is injective with image a relatively quasiconvex subgroup. Moreover, every parabolic subgroup of $\langle Q \cup R \rangle \subset G$ is either conjugate to a subgroup of Q or a subgroup of R in $\langle Q \cup R \rangle$.

2. For any pair of relatively quasiconvex subgroups Q_1 and Q_2 , and any maximal parabolic subgroup P such that $R = Q_1 \cap P = Q_2 \cap P$, there is a constant $C = C(Q_1, Q_2, P) \geq 0$ with the following property. If $h \in P$ is such that (a) $hRh^{-1} = R$, and (b) $d_X(g, 1) \geq C$ for any $g \in RhR$, then the natural homomorphism $Q_1 *_R hQ_2h^{-1} \rightarrow G$ is injective and its image is a relatively quasiconvex subgroup. Moreover, every parabolic subgroup of $\langle Q_1 \cup hQ_2h^{-1} \rangle \subset G$ is either conjugate to a subgroup of Q_1 or hQ_2h^{-1} in $\langle Q_1 \cup hQ_2h^{-1} \rangle$. Here d_X denotes a word metric induced by X on G .

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