## 1021-57-236 Kenneth Bromberg\* (bromberg@math.utah.edu), Dept. of Math., U of UT, 155 S 1400 E, JWB 233, Salt Lake City, UT 84112, and Jeffrey Brock. Bounded length curves in hyperbolic 3-manifolds.

Let M be a hyperbolic 3-manifold homotopy equivalent to a surface S. Minsky has show that given two bounded length curves  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in M that are a bounded distance apart in M then there is a bound on the distance between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in the curve complex for S. Here we are assuming that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are homotopic to simple closed curves on S. We will describe an alternative proof of this result and mention some of its applications. (Received September 06, 2006)