1077-55-1936 Matthew Donovan Griisser* (mgriisser3@gatech.edu), 3880 Overlake Drive, Cumming, GA 30041, and Allison Miller and Jacqueline Brimley. The Wecken Property for Random Maps on Surfaces with Boundary.

If f is a self-map on a compact ANR, the minimal number of fixed points of f, denoted MF(f), is the minimum number of fixed points for any g homotopic to f. The Nielsen number, denoted N(f), is a homotopy and homotopy-type invariant defined such that $N(f) \leq MF(f)$ for all f. Wecken established in the 1920s that if f is a self-map on a manifold (with or without boundary) of dimension not 2 then N(f) = MF(f). In general, if f is any function such that N(f) = MF(f), we say that f is Wecken. In the 1980s Jiang established that there are non-Wecken maps on surfaces with boundary.

We consider the action of a given $f: X \to X$ in terms of its induced homorphism $f_{\#} = \phi: \pi_1(X) \to \pi_1(X)$. In the case of surfaces with boundary, which are of the same homotopy type as bouquets of circles, we have that $\pi_1(X)$ is the free group on n generators. Wagner provided a way to calculate N(f) in terms of ϕ 's action on these generators. Using Wagner's algorithm, we obtained a lower bound, expressed in the language of asymptotic density, on the proportion of maps on surfaces with boundary that are Wecken. (Received September 21, 2011)