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Given $M_\varphi$ a fibered hyperbolic 3-manifold with boundary, we show that the translation distance of the monodromy $\varphi$ can be bounded above by the complexity of an essential surface with non-zero slope. Furthermore we prove that the minimal complexity of a surface with non-zero slope in $M_{\varphi^n}$ tends to infinity as $n \to \infty$. Additionally we show that an infinite family of fibered hyperbolic knots has translation distance bounded above by two, satisfying a conjecture by Schleimer which postulates that this behavior should hold for all fibered knots. (Received August 20, 2019)