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I'll discuss a connection between a class of subgroups of the mapping class group of a surface, the curve complex of that surface, and Bass–Serre trees for splittings of the surface group. (Received January 22, 2007)