

48. *Twisting Symmetry-spins of Pretzel Knots*^{*)}

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Let π be the commutator subgroup of the knot group of a knot in the 4-sphere S^4 . In [1] it is shown that if π is finite, then $\pi = G \times Z_d$ where $G = \{1\}$, the quaternion group $Q(8)$, the binary icosahedral group I^* or the generalized binary tetrahedral group $T(k)$ and d is an odd integer which is relatively prime to the order of G . Conversely, Yoshikawa [10] has shown that these groups can be realized as the commutator subgroups of the knot groups of knots in S^4 except $Q(8) \times Z_d$, $d > 1$. Actually, these knots were constructed by twist-spinning certain 2-bridge knots and pretzel knots. The exceptional groups were realized only as the commutator subgroups of knot groups of knots in homotopy 4-spheres. Note that $Q(8) \times Z_d$ is isomorphic to the fundamental group of a prism manifold M_d , that is, the Seifert fibered manifold with invariants $\{b : (o_1, 0) : (2, 1), (2, 1), (2, 1)\}$, $d = |2b + 3|$ (cf. [3], [7]). Since then, by using the deform-spinning introduced by Litherland [6], Kanenobu [4] and the author [9] showed that for $d = 5, 11, 13$ and 19 (equivalently $b = -4, 4, -8$ and 8), there is a fibered 2-knot in S^4 whose fiber is the punctured prism manifold M_d° ; thus for these values of d , the groups $Q(8) \times Z_d$ are realized as the commutator subgroups of knot groups of knots in S^4 . It should be noted that a fibered 2-knot with fiber M_d° ($d > 1$) cannot be constructed by twist-spins (cf. [2]).

The purpose of this paper is to show that other three values can be realized.

Theorem. *There exists a fibered 2-knot in S^4 whose fiber is a punctured prism manifold M_d° with fundamental group isomorphic to $Q(8) \times Z_d$ for $d = 3, 5, 11, 13, 19, 21, 27$.*

Our examples for the cases $d = 3, 21, 27$ will be constructed by a product of two symmetry-spinnings and 1-twist-spinning for pretzel knots. It is unknown whether there exists such a fibered 2-knot in S^4 for any other value of d .

All maps and spaces are assumed to be in the PL category, and all manifolds are oriented. A circle is identified with the quotient space R/Z . The unit interval $[0, 1]$ is denoted by I .

1. Construction. Let (S^3, K) be a knot and suppose that there are orientation-preserving periodic homeomorphisms g_i ($i = 1, 2$) on (S^3, K) of order n_i such that $g_1 g_2 = g_2 g_1$, $(n_1, n_2) = 1$, and $J_1 \cup J_2$ is the Hopf link with $lk(J_1, J_2) = 1$, where $J_i = \text{Fix}(g_i)$, ($i = 1, 2$). Let $n = n_1 n_2$, $g = g_1 g_2$. Let $q :$

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$S^3 \rightarrow S^3/g$ be the quotient map, and $\bar{K} = q(K)$, $\bar{J}_i = q(J_i)$. The map q is the $Z_{n_1} \oplus Z_{n_2}$ -branched cover branched over $\bar{J}_1 \cup \bar{J}_2$, corresponding to $\text{Ker} [\pi_1(S^3 - \bar{J}_1 \cup \bar{J}_2) \rightarrow H_1(S^3 - \bar{J}_1 \cup \bar{J}_2) \rightarrow Z_{n_1} \oplus Z_{n_2}]$, where the last homomorphism sends a meridian $t_1(t_2$ resp.) of \bar{J}_1 (\bar{J}_2 resp.) to $(1, 0)$ ($(0, 1)$ resp.) $\in Z_{n_1} \oplus Z_{n_2}$. Let $\bar{K} \times D^2$ be a tubular neighbourhood of \bar{K} disjoint from \bar{J}_1 and \bar{J}_2 , and $X(\bar{K}) = cl(S^3 - \bar{K} \times D^2)$. It is well-known that there is a map $\bar{p}: X(\bar{K}) \rightarrow \partial D^2$ such that $\bar{p}|_{\partial X(\bar{K})}: \partial X(\bar{K}) = \bar{K} \times \partial D^2 \rightarrow \partial D^2$ is the projection (cf. [5: Ch. 3], [8: Ch. 5]). Then $q^{-1}(\bar{K} \times D^2)$ is a g -invariant tubular neighbourhood $K \times D^2$ of K with $q(x, v) = (nx, v)$, $x \in K$, $v \in D^2$. We always assume that $K \times v$ ($v \in \partial D^2$) is null-homologous in $X(K) = cl(S^3 - K \times D^2)$. Since $j_j = lk(K, J_i)$ is coprime to n_i , we can choose an integer k_i such that $j_i k_i \equiv 1 \pmod{n_i}$. It follows that $g_i|_{K \times D^2}$ is given by $(x, v) \rightarrow (x + k_i/n_i, v)$. Then $g|_{K \times D^2}: (x, v) \rightarrow (x + k/n, v)$, $k = k_2 n_1 + k_1 n_2$. Take a collar $\partial X(K) \times I$ of $\partial X(K) = K \times \partial D^2$ such that $\partial X(K)$ is identified with $\partial X(K) \times \{0\}$, which is disjoint from J_1 and J_2 . Define two homeomorphisms $t, s_{n,k}: (S^3, K) \rightarrow (S^3, K)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} t(x, \theta, \phi) &= (x, \theta + \phi, \phi) && \text{for } (x, \theta, \phi) \in K \times \partial D^2 \times I, \\ t(y) &= y && \text{for } y \notin \partial X(K) \times I, \\ s_{n,k}(x, \theta, \phi) &= (x - k(1 - \phi)/n, \theta, \phi) && \text{for } (x, \theta, \phi) \in K \times \partial D^2 \times I, \\ s_{n,k}(x, v) &= (x - k/n, v) && \text{for } (x, v) \in K \times D^2, \\ s_{n,k}(y) &= y && \text{for } y \in X(K) - \partial X(K) \times I. \end{aligned}$$

Then $s_{n,k}g|_{K \times D^2} = id$, $s_{n,k}g|_{cl(X(K) - \partial X(K) \times I)} = g$, and $\bar{p}q(s_{n,k}g|_{X(K)}) = \bar{p}q$. Note that $\bar{p}q: X(K) \rightarrow \partial D^2$ is the map whose restriction $\bar{p}q|_{\partial X(K)}: \partial X(K) = K \times \partial D^2 \rightarrow \partial D^2$ is the projection. Fix a point x on K . Take a ball neighbourhood of K_- of x in K , and set $B_- = K_- \times D^2$. Then (B_-, K_-) is a standard ball pair. Let (B_+, K_+) be the complementary ball pair. For any nonzero integer m , construct $\partial(B_+, K_+) \times B^2 \cup_{\partial} (B_+, K_+) \times {}_{\iota^m s_{n,k}g} \partial B^2$. This is a locally flat sphere pair depending only on the isotopy classes τ of t , and $\omega_{n,k}$ of $s_{n,k}g \# (\text{rel } \# K \times D^2)$ [6: Lemma 1.2]. We write $\tau^m \omega_{n,k} K$ for this 2-knot in S^4 . Remark that $\omega_{n,k}$ is an untwisted deformation with respect to $(\bar{p}q, K \times D^2)$ in terms of [6]. The main theorem of [6] states that $\tau^m \omega_{n,k} K$ is fibered.

2. The fiber. Let a, b be coprime integers with $b \neq 0$. Let $\Phi: K \times \partial D^2 \rightarrow K \times \partial D^2$ be a homeomorphism $(x, \theta) \rightarrow (x + b\theta, a\theta)$. By $S^3(K, a/b)$ we mean the manifold obtained from S^3 by removing $K \times D^2$ and sewing it back using Φ . Let K^* denote the image of $K \times \{0\}$ under this surgery. Moreover, for any integers c, d with $d \neq 0$, choose coprime integers a, b with $a/b = c/d$, and let $S^3(K, c/d) = S^3(K, a/b)$.

Proposition. *Let (S^2, K) be a knot having the property as described in Section 1. Let \bar{K}, \bar{J}_i, k_i ($i=1, 2$), $k = k_2 n_1 + k_1 n_2$, n be as before. For $m > 0$, let M be the mn -fold cyclic branched covering space of $S^3(\bar{K}, m/k)$ branched over $\bar{K}^* \cup \bar{J}_1 \cup \bar{J}_2$, corresponding to $\text{Ker} [\pi_1(S^3 - \bar{K} \cup \bar{J}_1 \cup \bar{J}_2) \rightarrow Z \langle t_0 \rangle \times Z \langle t_1 \rangle \times Z \langle t_2 \rangle \rightarrow Z_{mn} \langle t \rangle]$. Here $t_0(t_1, t_2$ resp.) corresponds to a meridian of \bar{K} (\bar{J}_1, \bar{J}_2 resp.) and the last homomorphism sends t_0 to t , and t_1, t_2 to t^{-m} . Then the fiber of $\tau^m \omega_{n,k} K$ is M° .*

Note that the projection $M \rightarrow S^3(\bar{K}, m/k)$ is n to 1 over \bar{K}^* , mn_2 to 1 over \bar{J}_1 , mn_1 to 1 over \bar{J}_2 . This proposition is a generalization of Proposition 5.4 of [6], and can be proved similarly. We shall show its sketch and how to identify the manifold M .

Sketch of the proof. In [6] it is shown that the closed fiber is $M=K \times D^2 \cup_{\beta} \{(y, \phi) \in X(K) \times_{s_n, kq} S^1 \mid p(y) = m\phi\}$, where $\beta: K \times \partial B^2 \rightarrow \{(y, \phi) \in \partial X(K) \times_{s_n, kq} S^1 \mid p(y) = m\phi\}$ is given by $(x, \phi) \rightarrow ((x, m\phi), \phi)$, and $p = \bar{p}q$. Then g acts on M naturally, since $pg = p$. Let $M_1 = M/g$. It is easy to see that M_1 is obtained from $\Sigma_m(\bar{K})$, the m -fold cyclic branched covering space of S^3 over \bar{K} , by performing $1/k$ -surgery (with respect to the induced framing) along the lift of \bar{K} . Thus M_1 is the m -fold cyclic branched covering space of $S^3(\bar{K}, m/k)$ over \bar{K}^* . These observations imply that M is as described in Proposition.

Given such a knot K , we can construct M as follows. Take $\Sigma_m(\bar{K})$ and let \tilde{J}_i be the lift of \bar{J}_i ($i=1, 2$), which is not necessarily connected. Let M_1 be the manifold obtained from $\Sigma_m(\bar{K})$ by performing $1/k$ -surgery along the lift of \bar{K} , and let \tilde{J}_i^* be the image of \tilde{J}_i . Finally take the $Z_{n_1} \oplus Z_{n_2}$ -branched covering space of M_1 over $\tilde{J}_1^* \cup \tilde{J}_2^*$, and we get M . In particular, if \bar{K} is unknotted, then $\Sigma_m(\bar{K})$ and M_1 are homeomorphic to S^3 . Actually we will deal with only this case.

3. Proof of Theorem. Let $P(m, n)$ be the pretzel knot as illustrated in Fig. 1, where n is an odd integer, and $2m+1$ denotes the number of half-twists (left-handed if $m \geq 0$, right if $m < 0$). Note that $P(0, n)$ and $P(-1, n)$ are torus knots of type $(2, n)$, $(2, -n)$, respectively. It is clear that $P(m, n)$ has two symmetries g_1 of order n , and g_2 of order 2 such that $g_1 g_2 = g_2 g_1$. Put $J_i = \text{Fix}(g_i)$ ($i=1, 2$), and orient them such that $lk(P(m, n), J_1) = 2$, $lk(P(m, n), J_2) = (-1)^m n$, $lk(J_1, J_2) = 1$. Thus the knot $P(m, n)$ has the property as described in Section 1. By considering a suitable power of g_1 , we may assume $k = \pm 1$, and consider these cases.

Lemma 1. *Let $P(m, n)$ be as above. Then the closed fiber of $\tau^1 \omega_{2n, k} P(m, n)$, $k = \pm 1$, is given as follows:*

- (1) *the Seifert fibered manifold $\{0: (o_1, 0): (m, 1), \dots n \dots, (m, 1)\}$ if $k=1$ and $m \neq 0$,*
- (2) *the Seifert fibered manifold $\{0: (o_1, 0): (m+1, 1), \dots n \dots, (m+1, 1)\}$, if $k=-1$ and $m \neq -1$,*
- (3) *$\#^{n-1} S^2 \times S^1$, if $k=1$ and $m=0$, or $k=-1$ and $m=-1$.*

Proof. We shall follow the procedure given in Section 2 in determining the closed fiber. Let $q: S^3 \rightarrow S^3/g_1 g_2$ be the quotient map, let $\bar{P}(m, n) = q(P(m, n))$, $\bar{J}_i = q(J_i)$ ($i=1, 2$). Note that $\bar{P}(m, n)$ is unknotted (Fig. 1). Since we consider the 1-twist-spinning, M_1 is obtained from S^3 by performing $1/k$ -surgery along $\bar{P}(m, n)$, and it follows that M_1 is homeomorphic to S^3 . Trivialize the surgery by $(-k)$ -twist (cf. [8]), and let J_i^* be the image of \bar{J}_i under $(-k)$ -twist ($i=1, 2$) (Fig. 2). Finally we must take the $Z_n \oplus Z_2$ -branched covering space of M_1 over $J_1^* \cup J_2^*$, corresponding to $\text{Ker} [\pi_1(M_1 -$

$J_1^* \cup J_2^* \rightarrow Z\langle t_1 \rangle \times Z\langle t_2 \rangle \rightarrow Z_n \oplus Z_2]$, where the last homomorphism sends a meridian t_1 (t_2 resp.) of J_1^* (J_2^* resp.) to $(1, 0)$ $((0, 1)$ resp.). Take the n -fold cyclic branched covering over J_1^* , and identify the lift \tilde{J}_2^* of J_2^* . The result follows by taking the 2-fold branched covering over \tilde{J}_2^* .

Let $Q(m, n)$ be the pretzel knot as illustrated in Fig. 3, where n is an odd integer, $2m+1$ denotes the number of half-twists (left-handed if $m \geq 0$, right if $m < 0$). It is clear that $Q(m, n)$ has two symmetries g_1 of order n , and g_2 of order 2, and has the property as described in Section 1. We may assume $k=1$, and consider this case.

Lemma 2. *Let $Q(m, n)$ be as above. Then the closed fiber of $\tau^1 \omega_{2n,1} Q(m, n)$ is given as follows:*

- (1) *the Seifert fibered manifold $\{-4n : (o_1, 0) : (m+1, 1), \dots, n \dots, (m+1, 1)\}$, if $m \neq -1$,*
- (2) *$\#^{n-1} S^2 \times S^1$, if $m = -1$.*

Proof. We can determine the closed fiber in the same way as the proof of Lemma 1. See Fig. 4.

Proof of Theorem. In Lemma 1(1) take $(m, n) = (2, 3)$, or in Lemma 1(2) take $(m, n) = (1, 3)$. Then in either case we get the prism manifold M_3 . In Lemma 2(1) take $(m, n) = (1, 3)$, $(-3, 3)$. Then we get the prism manifolds M_{21} , M_{27} , respectively.

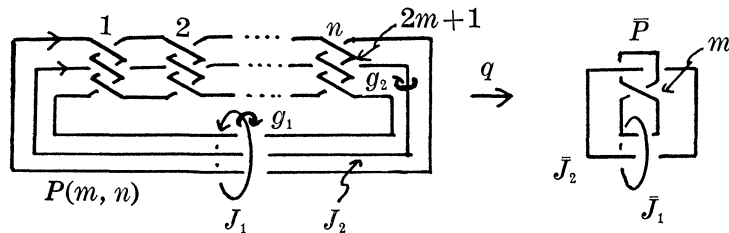


Fig. 1

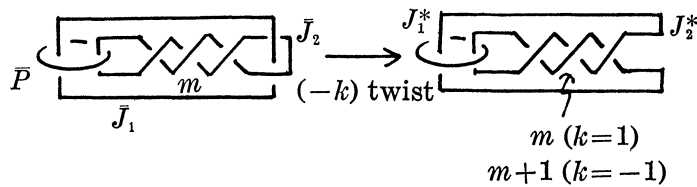


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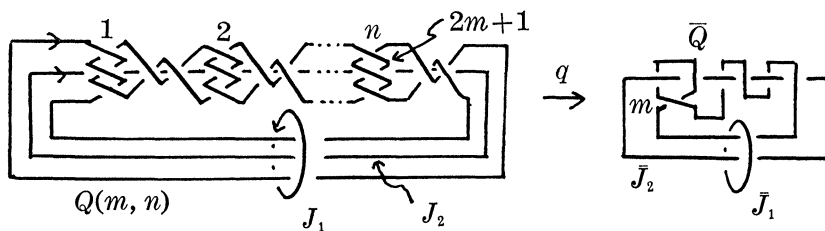


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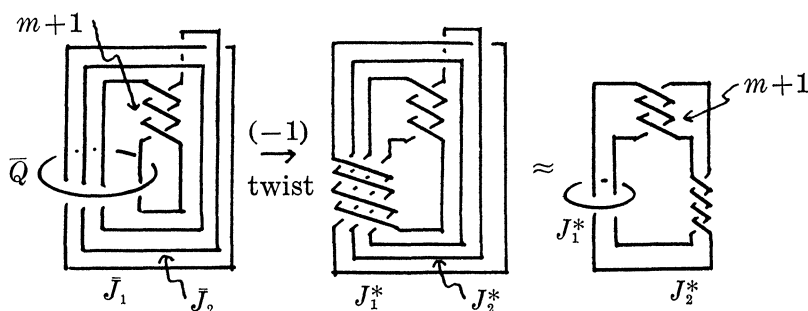


Fig. 4

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