

NON-EXISTENCE THEOREMS ON INFINITE ORDER CORKS

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ABSTRACT. Suppose that X, X' are simply connected closed exotic 4-manifolds. It is well-known that X' is obtained by an order 2 cork twist of X . We show that in the case of infinite order cork, this existence theorem does not always hold.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. A fact for cork twist. In smooth 4-manifolds the following existence theorem of a cork is well-known.

Fact 1.1 ([9],[4]). *Let X, X' be simply-connected closed exotic smooth 4-manifolds. Then there exists a contractible 4-manifold C in X such that $X' = (X - C) \cup_{\tau} C$ and $\tau^2 = id$.*

Furthermore, as such a manifold C we can take a Stein manifold [1]. ‘Exotic’ means that manifolds are homeomorphic but non-diffeomorphic each other. The manifold obtained by removing a submanifold $Y \subset X$ with embedding i and regluing Y via τ is denoted by $X(i, Y, \tau)$. We may omit the embedding map i in the notation, if the map is understood in that context. Here we call such a surgery simply *twist*. Hence, cork means a *localization* of exotic structure.

1.2. Motivation and results. As Fact 1.1 mentioning, any exotic two 4-manifolds X and X' have an involutive relationship with respect to a cork twist. What we issue is the point of whether the existence holds for an infinite family. In this paper we give a negative answer (Main theorem 1) for this question. In the local situation we have a natural question of whether a (generalized) cork twist is a result of an inner cork or not. We give a negative answer (Main theorem 2) for this question as well.

1.3. Finite, infinite order cork, and Main theorem 1. Let (\mathcal{C}, τ) be a pair of a smooth manifold \mathcal{C} and a boundary diffeomorphism $\tau : \partial\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \partial\mathcal{C}$. If τ extends to a homeomorphism on \mathcal{C} but cannot extend to any diffeomorphism on \mathcal{C} , then τ is called *non-trivial* (otherwise *trivial*). If \mathcal{C}

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is a contractible and τ is non-trivial, then the pair (\mathcal{C}, τ) is called a *cork*. Freedman's result [6] says that \mathcal{C} is a contractible and τ cannot extend to any diffeomorphism on \mathcal{C} , then (\mathcal{C}, τ) is a cork. When we replace the contractible condition with the non-contractible one, we call (\mathcal{C}, τ) a *non-contractible cork*. Then the map τ is called *cork map* or *non-contractible cork map*. The *order* of a cork (or non-contractible cork) is the minimal positive number of n that τ^n can extend to a diffeomorphism on \mathcal{C} .

The author in [14] illustrates an example of a non-contractible cork. Recently, by the author [13] and Auckly, Kim, Melvin, and Ruberman [2] finite order corks are found. Right after the discoveries, Gompf in [7] found infinite order corks.

Theorem 1.2 ([7]). *Suppose that K_n is the $2n$ -twist knot. Then there exists an infinite order cork (C, f) satisfying $X_{K_n} = X(C, f^n)$.*

Here the 4-manifold X need have 2 vanishing cycles isotopic to the meridian of the knot-surgery. At the point that (C, f) produces Fintushel-Stern's knot-surgeries, this cork is very exciting object.

We prove the following non-existence theorem on infinite order cork. Here we denote by \mathbb{F} the order 2 field $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.

Main theorem 1. *Suppose that $\{X_n\}$ is a \mathbb{Z} -family of exotic oriented closed 4-manifolds with $b_2^+ > 1$ giving infinite OS-invariants with \mathbb{F} -coefficient. Then, there exists no infinite order cork (C, τ) such that $\{X_n\} = \{X(C, \tau^n)\}$.*

This theorem would be true even if one replaces OS-invariant with Seiberg-Witten invariant with \mathbb{F} -coefficient, because of the equivalence of the OS-invariant and the Seiberg-Witten invariant. This equivalence for 4-manifolds is still open now.

For a closed spin^c 4-manifold (X, \mathfrak{s}) the OS-invariant $\Phi_{X, \mathfrak{s}}$ is a smooth 4-manifold invariant

$$\Phi_{X, \mathfrak{s}} \in \mathbb{F}.$$

Then we have a polynomial

$$\sum_{\mathfrak{s} \in \text{Spin}^c(X)} \Phi_{X, \mathfrak{s}} \cdot e^{PD[c_1(\mathfrak{s})]} =: \Phi_X.$$

We call the polynomial *OS-invariant*. As an application, the following corollary holds.

Corollary 1.3. *Suppose that T_n is the $(2, 2n+1)$ -torus knot. Then for any integer m with $m \geq 2$ the family $\{E(m)_{T_n}\}$ cannot be constructed by twisting an infinite order cork.*

Compared this corollary with Theorem 1.2, we know that the two situations are contrasting. The \mathbb{F} -reductions of $\{\Delta_{T_n}(t)\}$ are infinite, i.e.,

$$\# \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n t^k \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} = \infty,$$

while the \mathbb{F} -reductions of $\{\Delta_{K_n}(t)\}$ are finite, precisely saying

$$\#\{1, t - 1 + t^{-1}\} = 2.$$

Here we denote by $\Delta_K(t)$ the Alexander polynomial of K . Depending on the knot, the existence of infinite order cork for Fintushel-Stern's knot-surgery changes.

This theorem means that the OS-invariants with \mathbb{F} -coefficient of 4-manifolds obtained from a single (finite or infinite order) cork are finite variations. Thus, immediately, we have the following corollary:

Corollary 1.4. *Let \mathcal{C} be a contractible 4-manifold. Let r be a rank of $HF^-(\partial\mathcal{C}, \mathbb{F})/(U = 0)$. If \mathcal{C} admits a G -cork with a G -effective embedding with distinct \mathbb{F} -coefficient OS-invariants, then $|G| \leq \prod_{k=0}^{r-1} (2^r - 2^k)$ holds.*

Question 1.5. *Let $\{X_n\}$ be an exotic family of 4-manifolds (e.g., with distinct \mathbb{Z} -coefficients OS-invariants). Suppose that $\{X_n\}$ have finite \mathbb{F} -coefficients OS-invariants. Then does there exist an infinite order cork (\mathcal{C}, τ) which produces $\{X_n\}$?*

A remaining question is a characterization of the finite family which is produced by a finite order cork (\mathcal{C}, τ) .

Question 1.6. *Let $\{X_k | k = 0, \dots, n-1\}$ be a finite family of exotic 4-manifolds. When does there exist an order n cork (\mathcal{C}, τ) such that the family is obtained by cork twists of (\mathcal{C}, τ) .*

Let \mathcal{C} be a 4-manifold and \mathcal{D} a contractible submanifold of \mathcal{C} with $\dim \mathcal{C} = \dim \mathcal{D}$ and with $\partial\mathcal{D}$ smoothly embedded in the interior of \mathcal{C} . Let i be the identity map $\partial\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \partial\mathcal{C}$. Thus, (\mathcal{C}, i) is a trivial twist. Let g be a boundary diffeomorphism of \mathcal{D} . Suppose that there exists a diffeomorphism F from the twist $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{D}, g)$ to \mathcal{C} . Then i induces a diffeomorphism $\partial\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \partial\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{D}, g)$. We define the composition $F^{-1}|_{\partial\mathcal{C}} \circ i$ by j . We call (\mathcal{C}, j) (or (\mathcal{D}, g)) an *induced twist* of (\mathcal{D}, g) (or core twist of (\mathcal{C}, f) respectively).

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{F} & \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{D}, g) \\ & & \uparrow \text{inclusion} \\ \partial\mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{i} & \partial\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{D}, g) \end{array}$$

It is already not clear whether (\mathcal{C}, j) is trivial. Then we denote it by

$$(\mathcal{D}, g) \subset (\mathcal{C}, f).$$

Definition 1.7 (Core cork and induced cork.). *Suppose that $(\mathcal{D}, g) \subset (\mathcal{C}, f)$. If (\mathcal{C}, f) is a cork, then the twist (\mathcal{D}, g) is also a cork. In this case we call (\mathcal{D}, g) a core cork of (\mathcal{C}, f) .*

For the case where (\mathcal{C}, f) or (\mathcal{D}, g) is a plug or non-contractible cork we use the same terminology \subset in the similar situation. Even if a cork twist (\mathcal{D}, g) induces a twist (\mathcal{C}, f) , then (\mathcal{C}, f) is not always a cork (or non-contractible cork) twist. The orders of (\mathcal{C}, f) and (\mathcal{D}, g) do not always agree with each

other. For example, in [14] the author proved cork-ness of $(D_{n,m}, \tau_{n,m}^D)$ (order n) by using an induced twist $(D_{n,m}, \tau_{n,m}^D) \subset (C(m), \tau(m))$ and what $(C(m), \tau(m))$ is an order 2 Stein cork.

Furthermore, we consider the following concept for a family version of core (and induced) cork.

Definition 1.8 (Core G -cork, induced H -cork). *Let (\mathcal{D}, G) be a G -cork and a submanifold in a 4-manifold \mathcal{C} with boundary and $\partial\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{C}$ smoothly embedding. Assume that $\mathcal{C} - \mathcal{D}$ is not diffeomorphic to a cylinder of $\partial\mathcal{C}$. If any $g \in G$ gives an induced twist $(\mathcal{D}, g) \subset (\mathcal{C}, h)$ and the correspondence $g \mapsto h$ produces an isomorphism*

$$G \xrightarrow{\cong} H \subset \text{Diff}(\partial\mathcal{C})$$

into a subgroup H , then (\mathcal{D}, G) is called a core G -cork of (\mathcal{C}, H) and (\mathcal{C}, H) is called an induced H -cork of (\mathcal{D}, G) . Then we denote it by

$$(\mathcal{D}, G) \subset (\mathcal{C}, H).$$

In [13], we prove the \mathbb{Z}_2 -cork $(C(1), \{\tau(1)\})$ contains a core \mathbb{Z}_2 -cork

$$(C_{2,1}, \{\tau_{2,1}^C\}) \subset (C(1), \{\tau(1)\}),$$

because, $\partial C_{2,1}$ and $\partial C(1)$ are not diffeomorphic homology spheres because of SnapPea computation. Therefore, $C(1) - C_{2,1}$ is not diffeomorphic to the cylinder. It is an open question whether $\partial C_{2,m} \not\cong \partial C(m)$ or not for any m . The motivation of core cork is to replace a cork or non-contractible cork twist with a new (or possible ‘universal’) reasonable cork.

To find a cork in a wider situation we would like to search a cork in a non-contractible cork. As an application of Main theorem 1 we show the following theorem.

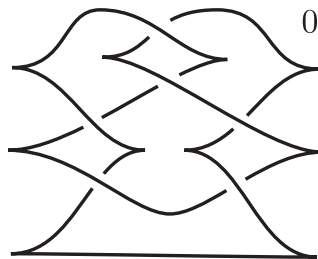
Main theorem 2. *There exists a non-contractible \mathbb{Z} -cork $(\mathcal{P}, \mathbb{Z})$ such that $(\mathcal{P}, \mathbb{Z})$ never contain any core \mathbb{Z} -cork.*

We give a natural question:

Question 1.9. *Let H be a finite group. Does any non-contractible H -cork contain a core G -cork \mathcal{D} with $(\mathcal{D}, G) \subset (\mathcal{C}, H)$?*

1.4. A Stein plug (Q, ϕ) with $b_2(Q) = 1$ changing any crossing of Fintushel-Stern’s knot-surgery. Let (P, φ) be a plug with $b_2 = 2$ which is defined in [14]. The last assertion in this paper is that it is not a plug with the minimal b_2 which gives rise to any crossing change of Fintushel-Stern’s knot-surgery. Let Q be a 4-manifold obtained by attaching a 2-handle along 5_2 with 0-framing. The 4-manifold Q is a submanifold in P naturally. See the first handle diagram of Q in FIGURE 4. Hence, we have $\partial Q \cong S_0^3(5_2)$. Then we prove the following:

Proposition 1.10. *There exists a diffeomorphism $\phi : \partial Q \rightarrow \partial Q$ such that (Q, ϕ) is a Stein core \mathbb{Z} -plug of (P, φ) .*

FIGURE 1. A Stein structure on Q .

A Stein structure on Q is presented in FIGURE 1. This \mathbb{Z} -plug (Q, ϕ) produces infinitely many exotic Fintushel-Stern's knot-surgeries. This means that the action on the Heegaard Floer homology should admit infinite order.

Let \mathfrak{s}_k be a spin^c structure with $\langle c_1(\mathfrak{s}_k), h \rangle = 2k$, where h is a generator in $H_2(\partial Q)$.

The Heegaard Floer homology of ∂Q is as follows:

$$HF^-(\partial Q, \mathfrak{s}_k) \cong \begin{cases} T_{(-\frac{5}{2})}^- \oplus T_{(-\frac{7}{2})}^- \oplus \mathbb{F}_{(-\frac{5}{2})} & k = 0 \\ \mathbb{F}[U]/(U^k - 1) & k \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

This computation will be done in Section 3.2. The action on the Heegaard Floer homology of ∂Q should be effective. This fact is contrast to Main Theorem 1. To investigate the mechanism that any crossing change of Fintushel-Stern's knot surgery changes the differential structures in terms of Heegaard Floer homology might become a help to understand exotic structures on 4-manifolds.

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2. PRELIMINARIES AND PROOFS OF MAIN THEOREM 1 AND 2

2.1. Knot-surgery. Let K be a knot in S^3 . Let X be a 4-manifold with a square zero embedded torus T . Then the performance

$$X_K = [X - \nu(T)] \cup [(S^3 - \nu(K)) \times S^1]$$

is a (*Fintushel-Stern's*) *knot-surgery* along K . The gluing map is indicated in [5]. The notation $\nu(\cdot)$ stands for an open neighborhood of a submanifold.

T. Mark in [8] proved the knot-surgery formula of (\mathbb{F} -coefficient) Ozsváth-Szabó's 4-manifold invariant.

$$(1) \quad \Phi_{X_K} = \Phi_X \cdot \Delta_K(t).$$

This is an Ozsváth-Szabó's invariant counterpart of the Seiberg-Witten formula of Fintushel-Stern's knot-surgery in [5]. Here we have to notice Sunukjian's result [12] that the Alexander polynomial distinguishes smooth structures of Fintushel-Stern's knot surgeries.

2.2. Proof of Main theorem 1. Suppose that $\{X_n\}$ is an exotic \mathbb{Z} -family of closed 4-manifolds with $b^+(X) > 1$ having infinite OS-invariants with \mathbb{F} -coefficient and these are produced by cork twists by an infinite order cork (\mathcal{C}, τ) . If X_n are not closed, then the same argument works by the relative OS-invariant.

By permuting the order of X_n , we have $X(\mathcal{C}, \tau^n) = X_n$. The group $\langle \tau \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}$ acts on $\partial\mathcal{C}$ and the action induces a homomorphism on $HF^-(\partial\mathcal{C})$.

The induced isomorphism τ_* on $HF^-(\partial\mathcal{C})$ keeps the absolute grading. The grading shift of the action is calculated from the Euler number and the signature of the cylinder $I \times \partial\mathcal{C}$. These invariants of the cylinder are all zero. $HF_d^-(\partial\mathcal{C})$ with a fixed grading d is a finite abelian group which is isomorphic to \mathbb{F} for sufficient small d 's. Hence there exists a positive integer m such that τ_*^m is the identity.

Here we consider X_n as the gluing of three 4-manifolds $\{\mathcal{C}, M, \tilde{V}\}$, where $X_n = [\mathcal{C} \cup_{\tau^n} M] \cup_N \tilde{V}$ and M is a cobordism $\partial\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \partial\tilde{V}$. Furthermore, we assume that N is an admissible cutting of X_n (defined in [11]). The existences of these cuttings N are guaranteed in [11]. Deleting two 4-balls in the interior in X_n , we give the composition W_n of three cobordisms:

$$W_n : S^3 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}_0} \partial\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{M} N \xrightarrow{V} S^3,$$

where actually the cobordism W_n is twisted on $\partial\mathcal{C}$ by action τ^n and V is \tilde{V} with a 4-ball deleted. Here the mixed invariant on W_n becomes as follows:

$$F_{W_n, \mathfrak{s}_0}^{\text{mix}} = F_{V, \mathfrak{s}_3}^+ \circ F_{M, \mathfrak{s}_2}^- \circ \tau_*^n \circ F_{\mathcal{C}_0, \mathfrak{s}_1}^- : HF^-(S^3) \rightarrow HF^+(S^3),$$

where $\mathfrak{s}|_{W_n} = \mathfrak{s}_0$, $\mathfrak{s}|_{\mathcal{C}_0} = \mathfrak{s}_1$, $\mathfrak{s}|_M = \mathfrak{s}_2$ and $\mathfrak{s}|_V = \mathfrak{s}_3$. Recall the OS-invariant $\Phi_{X_n, \mathfrak{s}} \in \mathbb{F}$ is defined by $F_{W_n, \mathfrak{s}}^{\text{mix}}(U^d \cdot \Theta^-) = \Phi_{X_n, \mathfrak{s}} \cdot \Theta^+$, where $d = (c_1^2(\mathfrak{s}) - 2\chi(X_n) - 3\sigma(X_n))/4$. Since $\{\tau_*^n|n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ has a finite variation, the mixed invariant $F_{W_n, \mathfrak{s}_0}^{\text{mix}}$ is also finite variations with respect to n . Thus the sets $\{\Phi_{X_n, \mathfrak{s}}|\mathfrak{s} \in \text{Spin}^c(X_n)\}$ are also finite variations only with respect to n . This contradicts that $\{X_n\}$ has infinite OS-invariants with \mathbb{F} -coefficient. \square

By a corollary we have the following:

Corollary 2.1. *Regardless of the order of the cork, the variations of \mathbb{F} -coefficient OS-invariants by a single cork are at most finite.*

In the case of the \mathbb{Z} -coefficient invariant, the variations are not always finite as a Gompf's example in [7] implies.

Proof of Corollary 1.3. Let T_n be the $(2, 2n+1)$ -torus knot. Due to the OS-invariant formula (1) of $E(m)_{T_n}$ with the \mathbb{F} -coefficient, we have

$$\Phi_{E(m)_{T_n}} = (t - t^{-1})^{m-2}(t^n - t^{n-1} + \dots - t^{-n+1} + t^{-n}) \pmod{2}.$$

These give infinite OS-invariants. From Main theorem 1, the family $\{E(m)_{T_n}|n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ never be produced by cork twists of an infinite order cork. \square

This proof means that for a family $\{\mathcal{K}_n\}$ of knots, if $E(m)_{\mathcal{K}_n}$ is constructed by an infinite order cork, then $\#\{\Delta_{\mathcal{K}_n} \bmod 2\} < \infty$. In fact $2n$ -twist knot K_n in [7] is $\{\Delta_{K_n}(t) \bmod 2\} = \{1, t - 1 + t^{-1}\}$.

Proof of Corollary 1.4. If a G -cork twist gives distinct \mathbb{F} -coefficient OS-invariants, then the action is effective on $HF^-(\partial\mathcal{C}, \mathbb{F})/(U = 0) = \mathbb{F}^r$. We note that the action is U -equivariant. The induced action become an invertible linear action on \mathbb{F}^r . Hence, we obtain $G \subset GL(r, \mathbb{F})$. Then we have $|G| \leq |GL(r, \mathbb{F})| = \prod_{k=0}^{r-1} (2^r - 2^k)$. \square

2.3. Proof of Main theorem 2. Let (P, φ) be the plug defined in [14]. Namely, P and φ are described in FIGURE 2 and 3 respectively.

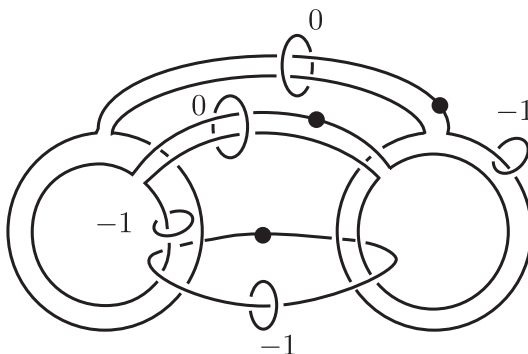


FIGURE 2. P .

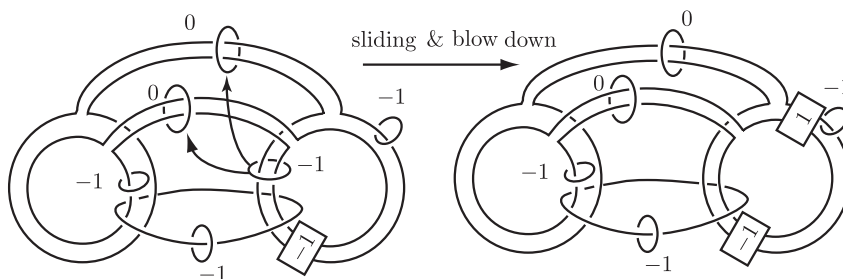


FIGURE 3. The diffeomorphism φ .

Taking $\psi = \varphi^2$, we obtain a non-contractible cork (P, ψ) by [14]. Lemma 3.2 in [14] says that ψ induces the trivial map on the homology group.

Since (P, φ) changes any crossing for Fintushel-Stern's knot-surgery, there exists an embedding $P \hookrightarrow E(2)$ such that the twist obtains $E(2)(P, \psi^n) = E(2)_{T_{2n}}$ as proven in [14].

Suppose there exists a core \mathbb{Z} -cork $(\mathcal{D}, f) \subset (P, \psi)$ which (\mathcal{D}, f^k) induces (P, ψ^k) . Since \mathcal{D} is a contractible, clearly $P - \mathcal{D}$ is not diffeomorphic to a cylinder. This setting says that this infinite order cork twist gives the following twist:

$$E(2) \rightsquigarrow E(2)(\mathcal{D}, f^k) = E(2)_{T_{2k}}.$$

However, the manifolds $E(2)_{T_{2k}}$ have infinite OS-invariants with \mathbb{F} -coefficient. This is a contradiction on Main theorem 1. \square

3. A CORE PLUG OF (P, φ) .

3.1. Proof of Proposition 1.10. The first picture (denoted by Q) in FIGURE 4 is P deleting an embedded disk. The diffeomorphism FIGURE 3 works

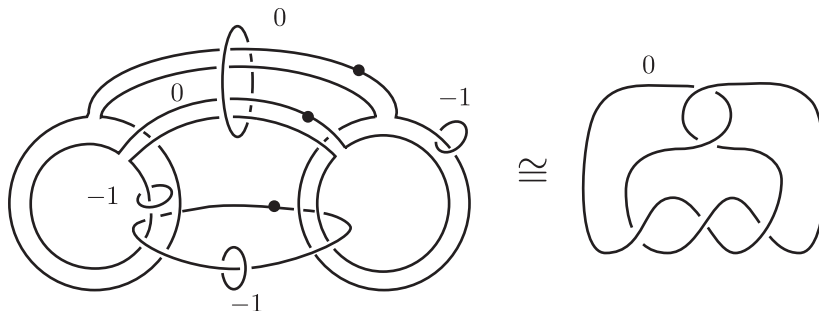


FIGURE 4. From the 2-handle deleted P to 0-framed 5_2

even for this submanifold Q . We denote the diffeomorphism $\partial Q \rightarrow \partial Q$ by ϕ . Thus we obtain $(Q, \phi^k) \subset (P, \varphi^k)$ for any k .

Since the twisted double $Q \cup_{\phi^k} (-Q)$ by (Q, ϕ^k) is homeomorphic to $\mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$ (k : odd) and $S^2 \times S^2$ (k : even) by easy calculation. The diffeomorphism ϕ^{2k+1} cannot extend to a homeomorphism on Q by [3]. Thus (Q, ϕ^{2k+1}) is a plug and (Q, ϕ^{2k}) is a non-contractible cork. Hence $(Q, \{\phi^k\})$ is a core \mathbb{Z} -plug of $(P, \{\varphi^k\})$.

Therefore, for an unknotting number 1 knot K , there exists an embedding $Q \hookrightarrow E(2)$ such that $E(2)(Q, \phi) = E(2)_K$. Thus (Q, ϕ) is infinite order.

The handle diagram of Q can be reduced to 5_2 with framing 0. The maximal Thurston-Bennequin invariant of 5_2 is 1. Thus the manifold is Stein manifold. For example see FIGURE 1. \square

The presentation in FIGURE 1 is the famous Chekanov-Eliashberg knot.

$Q \cup_{\phi} (-Q)$ and $Q \cup_{\phi^2} (-Q)$ is diffeomorphic to $\mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$ and $S^2 \times S^2$ respectively.

Conjecture 3.1. For $k \neq 1, 2$ any double $Q \cup_{\phi^k} (-Q)$ is a standard 4-manifold.

3.2. An action ϕ_* on $HF^-(\partial Q, \mathfrak{s}_k)$. Finally we compute the Heegaard Floer homology of ∂Q and consider the action on the homology induced by ϕ . Since 5_2 is an alternating knot, we have the following computation:

$$\widehat{HFK}(5_2, i) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_{(0)}^2 & i = 1 \\ \mathbb{F}_{(-1)}^3 & i = 0 \\ \mathbb{F}_{(-2)}^2 & i = -1. \end{cases}$$

Now, the Heegaard Floer homology of $-\Sigma(2, 3, 11)$ is as follows:

$$HF^+(S_1^3(5_2)) = T_{(-2)}^+ \oplus \mathbb{F}_{(-2)}.$$

By using the surgery exact sequence in [10] among S^3 , $S_0^3(5_2) = \partial Q$, and $S_1^3(5_2) = -\Sigma(2, 3, 11)$ we compute

$$HF^+(\partial Q, \mathfrak{s}_k) = \begin{cases} T_{(-\frac{1}{2})}^+ \oplus T_{(-\frac{3}{2})}^+ \oplus \mathbb{F}_{(-\frac{3}{2})} & k = 0 \\ 0 & k \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

By using the exact sequence among HF^- , HF^∞ , and HF^+ , we have the following computation:

$$HF^-(\partial Q, \mathfrak{s}_k) \cong \begin{cases} T_{(-\frac{5}{2})}^- \oplus T_{(-\frac{7}{2})}^- \oplus \mathbb{F}_{(-\frac{5}{2})} & k = 0 \\ \mathbb{F}[U]/(U^k - 1) & k \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

The twist ϕ induces an action on $HF^-(\partial Q)$ with spin^c structures preserving, because $\text{Spin}^c(\partial Q)$ is equivalent to $\text{Spin}^c(\partial Q \times I)$ naturally. Here we state the following question:

Question 3.2. *How does the diffeomorphism ϕ on Heegaard Floer invariants affect?*

To analyze the action would be significant to study the exotic structures that Fintushel-Stern's knot surgery gives.

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