## FREE ODD PERIODIC ACTIONS ON THE SOLID KLEIN BOTTLE

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## Abstract

The cyclic actions of odd period and empty fixed point set are studied on the solid Klein Bottle K. It is shown that up to weak equivalence there is only one such action.

1 – Notation and Preliminaries

 $D^2$ , R,  $S^1$  denote the unit disk [  $xER^2$ : |  $x | \le 1$  ], the field of real numbers and the unit circle. A 3-manifold M is irreducible if every 2-sphere in M bounds a 3-cell in M. The cyclic group generated by the periodic map h is denoted by < h >. If h is periodic on a space X, then the orbit space of h is the quotient space of h will be denoted by X/h. The identification map  $p_h: X \rightarrow X/h$  is called the orbit

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map. Two actions of  $\langle h \rangle$  and  $\langle f \rangle$  on X are said to be weakly equivalent if there is a homeomorphism t of X such that  $\langle th t^{-1} \rangle =$  $\langle f \rangle$  and that tht  $^{-1} = f^i$  for some i. Equivalently, h and f are weakly equivalent if there are homeomorphisms t and  $\overline{t}$  that make the diagram commutative, i. e.  $p_h t = \overline{t} p_f$ . The set [ $x \in X : h(x) = x$ ] of fixed points of h will be denoted by F(h).

The solid Klein Bottle K is the space obtained form  $D^2xR$  by identifying (z, t) with  $(\overline{z}, t + 1)$ . An element of this space with representative (z, t) will be denoted by [z, t].

2 - Results.

The follwing is the main result :

<u>Theorem A.</u> Up to weak equivalence there is exactly one free  $Z_{2r+1}$  action on the solid Klein Bottle K.

First we prove the following two Lemmas .

<u>Lemma 1.</u> If  $h: K \to K$  is a PL homeomorphism of period 2r + 1 on K , then F ( h ) is either empty or a simple closed curve ( homeomorphic to  $S^1$ ).

**Proof.** Let n = 2r + 1. Then n can be written as

$$n = p_1^{t_1} p_2^{t_2} \dots p_m^{t_m}$$

where  $p_1, \ldots, p_m$  are distinct odd primes and  $t_1, t_2 - - -, t_m$  are positive integers. If m = 1, then h is of period  $p_1^{t_1}$  on k which is a homology 1 - sphere. Hence, we find that, by [1], F(h) is either  $\emptyset$  or a homology 1 - sphere. Since F (h) can not be two dimensional (for  $p_1^{t_1} = 2$ ) it is either  $\emptyset$  or  $\approx$  (home omorphic to) S<sup>1</sup>. If m = 2, then  $n = p_1^{t_1} p_2^{t_2}$  and  $h^{p_1^{t_1}}$  is of period  $p_2^{t_2}$ .

As above  $F(h^{p_1t_1})$  is either  $\emptyset$  or  $\approx S^1$ . If  $F(h^{p_1t_1}) = \emptyset$ , then  $F(h) = \emptyset$ . Because  $F(h^{p_1t_1})$  is invariant under h, then if  $F(h^{p_1t_1}) \approx S^1$  and  $F(h) = \emptyset$ , then h is of period  $p_1^{t_1}$  on  $F(h^{p_1t_1}) \approx S^1$ . So, by [1],  $F(h) \approx S^1$ . Now suppose that the result is true for m = i. Let  $C = p_1^{t_1} \dots p_i^{t_i}$ . Then the period of h is  $cp_{i+1}^{t_{i+1}}$ . Then  $h^{p_i+1t_{i+1}}$  is of period c on k, hence, by the induction hypothesis,  $F(h^{p_i+1t_{i+1}})$  is eitgher  $\emptyset$  or  $\approx S^1$ . If  $F(h^{p_i+1t_{i+1}}) = \emptyset$ , then  $F(h) = \emptyset$ . If  $F(h^{p_i+1t_{i+1}}) \approx S^1$ , then by [1],  $F(h) \approx S^1$  or  $\emptyset$ .

<u>Remark</u>. The proof above shows that if  $F(h) \approx S^1$ , then  $F(h^i) = F(h) \approx S^1$  for all 1 < i < 2r + 1.

Lemma 2. Let  $h: K \to K$  be a homeomorphism of period 2r + 1. If h acts freely on K, then K/h  $\approx$  K.

**Proof :** Let B = K / h and let  $p : K \rightarrow B$  be the orbit map.

Since h acts freely on K, then K is a regular 2r + 1 covering of B by [4]

Hence  $p_{\#}(\pi_1(K))$  (which is infinite cyclic) is a normal subgroub of index 2r + 1 in  $\pi_1(B)$ .

So we have a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Z \xrightarrow{f} \pi_1(B) \xrightarrow{g} Z_{2r+1} \rightarrow 0$$

Since B is covered by a contractible space and no nontrivial finite group can act freely on a finite dimensional contractible space [3],  $\pi_1$  (B) has no torsion subgroup.

Let a be the image of a generator of Z under f and let b be such that g(b) is a generator of  $Z_{2r+1}$  Since p  $\#(\pi_1(K))$  is normal in  $\pi_1(B)$ ,  $bab^{-1} \in \langle a \rangle$ . So  $bab^{-1} = a$  or  $a^{-1}$ . If  $bab^{-1} = a^{-1}$ , then  $\pi_1(B) / [\pi_1(B), \pi_1(B)]$  which is isomorphic to H<sub>1</sub>(B) is finite ( for the coset  $b^{-1} = b + [\pi_1(B), \pi_1(B)]$  is of order

2r + 1). Here [ $\pi_1(B)$ ,  $\pi_1(B)$ ] is the commutator subgroup.

Hence the Euler characteristic,  $\chi(B) = \sum_{0}^{3} (-1)^{i} r_{i} = 1 + r_{2}$  because  $r_{1} = 0 = r_{3}$  and  $r_{3} = 0$  because B is nonorientable.

But this implies that  $\chi(B) \ge 1$ , contradicting the fact that  $\chi(B) = 0$ . Hence  $bab^{-1} \ne a^{-1}$  and we must have  $bab^{-1} = a$  and so  $\pi_1(B)$  is abelian. From the fundamental theorem of abelian groups we have

$$\pi_1(B) = Z + Tor(\pi_1(B)) = Z.$$

Note that B is compact, nonorientable, irreducible with a two dimensional Klein Bottle as its boundary. Moreover, B contains no 2 – sided projective plane  $p^2$ , because if B contains such  $p^2$ , then  $p^{-1}P^2$  will be a 2 – sphere S, and since K is irreducible, S bounds a 3 – cell C. Then p (C) is a 3 – manifold bounded by  $p^2$ .

Now, by [2] theorem 11 - 7, B is homeomorphic to K.

With these two lemmas at hand we now turn to prove our theorem .

## Proof of theorem A.

Let  $h_1: K \to K$  be defined by

 $h_1([z,t]) = [z,t+\frac{2r}{2r+1}]$ 

The map  $h_1$  is a homeomorphism of period 2r + 1 and  $F(h^i) = \emptyset$  for all  $1 \le i \le 2r$ . Hence, by lemma 2,  $K/h_1 \approx K$ . Now Let  $h : K \rightarrow K$  be any homeomorphism of period 2r + 1 such that  $F(h^i) = \emptyset$  for  $1 \le i \le 2r$ . Lemma 2 implies that  $K/h \approx K$ . Let  $p_1 : K \rightarrow K/h_1$  and  $p : K \rightarrow K/h$  be the orbit maps. .  $p_1$  and p are (2r + 1) - covering projections of  $K/h_1$  and K/h, respectively. Let  $t : K/h_1 \rightarrow K/h$  be a homeomorphism.

Since  $tp_1$  and p are  $(2r + 1) - covering projections of K and since <math>\pi_1(K/h)($ is infinite cyclic) has a unique normal subgropup of index 2r + 1, there is a homeomorphism  $\mathbf{\tilde{t}}: K \rightarrow K$  making the diagram



Commutative . Now by the commutativity of the diagram .



We obtain  $p_1 = p_1 t^{-1} h \bar{t}$ . That is  $t^{-1} h \bar{t}$  is a nontrivial covering transformation on K with respect to  $p_1$ . Hence,  $t^{-1} h \bar{t} = h_1^i$  for some  $1 \le i \le 2r$ , which means that h is weakly equivalent to  $h_1$ .

This completes the proof.

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