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**Hwa Jeong Lee** and **Gyo Taek Jin\*** (trefoil@kaist.ac.kr), Department of Mathematical Sciences, KAIST, 291 Daehak-ro Yuseong-gu, Daejeon, 305-701, South Korea. *Arc index of pretzel knots of type  $(-p, q, r)$ .*

We computed the arc index for some pretzel knots  $K = P(-p, q, r)$  with  $p, q, r \geq 2$ ,  $q \leq r$ , and at most one of  $p, q, r$  is even. If  $q = 2$ , then the arc index  $\alpha(K)$  equals the minimal crossing number  $c(K)$ . If  $p \geq 3$  and  $q = 3$ , then  $\alpha(K) = c(K) - 1$ . If  $p \geq 5$  and  $q = 4$ , then  $\alpha(K) = c(K) - 2$ . (Received December 12, 2011)