

## Real $K$ -homology of complex projective spaces

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### Introduction

The real  $K$ -homology theory is one of a few examples of generalized homology theories which take values in the category of comodules over the associated Hopf algebroid, which are not complex oriented in the sense of Adams [1], namely the real  $K$ -cohomology of the infinite dimensional complex projective space does not have a structure of formal group law induced by the group structure  $m : \mathbf{C}P^\infty \times \mathbf{C}P^\infty \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^\infty$ . However, the real  $K$ -homology of the infinite dimensional complex projective space has the Pontrjagin ring structure which is regarded as a virtual dual of non-existent structure of formal group law ([4]). From this point of view, the ring structure of the real  $K$ -homology of the infinite dimensional complex projective space might be of some interest. The aim of this paper is to determine the module structure of the real  $K$ -homology of complex projective spaces over the coefficient ring  $KO_*$  and to describe the ring structure of the real  $K$ -homology of the infinite complex projective space.

In the first section, we prepare some necessary results in the following sections. Next, we determine the “conjugation map” on  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  induced by the map  $BU(n) \rightarrow BU(n)$  which classifies the complex conjugate of the canonical bundle. We make some analysis on the conjugation map in section three and define certain elements of  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  which generates the image of the complexification map  $KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \rightarrow K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ . In section four, we determine the  $KO_*$ -module structure of  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  by using the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence. It turns out that the complexification map  $\mathbf{c} : \widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is injective if  $l$  is even or  $\infty$ . By virtue of this fact, we can describe the ring structure of  $KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  by examining the image of  $\mathbf{c}$  in the last section.

### 1. Preliminaries

We first recall the Bott periodicity

$$\begin{aligned} O \simeq \Omega(\mathbf{Z} \times BO), \quad O/U \simeq \Omega O, \quad U/Sp \simeq \Omega(O/U), \quad \mathbf{Z} \times BSp \simeq \Omega(U/Sp) \\ Sp \simeq \Omega(\mathbf{Z} \times BSp), \quad Sp/U \simeq \Omega Sp, \quad U/O \simeq \Omega(Sp/U), \quad \mathbf{Z} \times BO \simeq \Omega(U/O). \end{aligned}$$

Thus the  $KO$ -spectrum  $KO = (\varepsilon_n : SKO_n \rightarrow KO_{n+1})_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}$  is given as follows.

$$KO_{8n} = \mathbf{Z} \times BO, \quad KO_{8n+1} = U/O, \quad KO_{8n+2} = Sp/U, \quad KO_{8n+3} = Sp, \\ KO_{8n+4} = \mathbf{Z} \times BSp, \quad KO_{8n+5} = U/Sp, \quad KO_{8n+6} = O/U, \quad KO_{8n+7} = O.$$

We also recall that  $K^* = \mathbf{Z}[t, t^{-1}]$ ,  $KO^* = \mathbf{Z}[\alpha, x, y, y^{-1}]/(2\alpha, \alpha^3, \alpha x, x^2 - 4y)$ , where  $t, \alpha, x$  and  $y$  are generators of  $K^{-2} = \pi_2(K) \cong \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $KO^{-1} = \pi_1(KO) \cong \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$ ,  $KO^{-4} = \pi_4(KO) \cong \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $KO^{-8} = \pi_8(KO) \cong \mathbf{Z}$ . Note that  $t, \alpha$  are the homotopy classes of the inclusion maps  $S^2 = \mathbf{C}P^1 \rightarrow BU = K_0$ ,  $S^1 = \mathbf{R}P^1 \rightarrow BO = KO_0$  to the bottom cells.

Let us denote by  $h_2 : S^3 \rightarrow S^2$  the Hopf map, by  $j : S^3 = Sp(1) \rightarrow Sp$ ,  $i : S^2 = Sp(1)/U(1) \rightarrow Sp/U$  the inclusion maps of the bottom cells, and by  $p : Sp \rightarrow Sp/U$  the quotient map. Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^3 & \xrightarrow{h_2} & S^2 \\ \downarrow j & & \downarrow i \\ Sp & \xrightarrow{p} & Sp/U \end{array}$$

commutes.

**Lemma 1.1.** *The homotopy class of  $ih_2 = pj$  generates  $\pi_3(Sp/U) \cong \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$ . Hence  $ih_2$  represents  $\alpha \in \pi_1(KO) \cong \pi_3(KO_2)$ .*

*Proof.* By the commutativity of the above diagram, we have the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_3(S^3) & \xrightarrow[\cong]{h_{2*}} & \pi_3(S^2) \\ \cong \downarrow j_* & & \downarrow i_* \\ \pi_3(Sp) & \xrightarrow{p_*} & \pi_3(Sp/U) \end{array}$$

Since  $p_* : \pi_3(Sp) \rightarrow \pi_3(Sp/U)$  is surjective, the assertion follows. □

**Lemma 1.2.** *Let  $\eta_s : S^{2s-1} \rightarrow S^{2s-2} = \mathbf{C}P^{s-1}/\mathbf{C}P^{s-2}$  be the attaching map of the  $2s$ -cell of  $\mathbf{C}P^s/\mathbf{C}P^{s-2}$  ( $s \geq 2$ ). Then,  $\eta_s$  is null homotopic if  $s$  is odd and it is homotopic to  $S^{2s-4}h_2$  if  $s$  is even.*

*Proof.* Let  $g_j$  ( $j = 2s - 2, 2s$ ) be the generators of  $H^j(\mathbf{C}P^s/\mathbf{C}P^{s-2}; \mathbf{F}_2)$ . Since

$$Sq^2 g_{2s-2} = \begin{cases} g_{2s} & s \text{ is even} \\ 0 & s \text{ is odd} \end{cases},$$

the assertion follows. □

**Lemma 1.3.** *For integers  $n$  and  $m$  such that  $n \geq 2$ , the composition of the suspension  $\sigma : \widetilde{KO}_{m-1}(S^n) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_m(S^{n+1})$  and  $(S^{n-2}h_2)_* : \widetilde{KO}_m(S^{n+1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_m(S^n)$  coincides with the multiplication map by  $\alpha$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f : S^{m+q-1} \rightarrow KO_q \wedge S^n$  be a map which represents an element  $\xi$  of  $\widetilde{KO}_{m-1}(S^n)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} S^{m+q} &\xrightarrow{Sf} S^1 \wedge KO_q \wedge S^n \xrightarrow{T \wedge 1_{S^n}} KO_q \wedge S^1 \wedge S^n \\ &= KO_q \wedge S^{n+1} \xrightarrow{1_{KO_q} \wedge S^{n-2} h_2} KO_q \wedge S^n \end{aligned}$$

represents  $(S^{n-2} h_2)_* \sigma(\xi)$ . Hence the following composition also represents  $(S^{n-2} h_2)_* \sigma(\xi)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} S^{m+q+2} &\xrightarrow{S^3 f} S^2 \wedge S^1 \wedge KO_q \wedge S^n \xrightarrow{1_{S^2} \wedge T \wedge 1_{S^n}} \\ &S^2 KO_q \wedge S^1 \wedge S^n \xrightarrow{(\varepsilon_{q+1} S \varepsilon_q) \wedge S^{n-2} h_2} KO_{q+2} \wedge S^n \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $ih_2 : S^3 \rightarrow Sp/U$  as a representative of  $\alpha$ . Let  $(\mu_{p,q} : KO_p \wedge KO_q \rightarrow KO_{p+q})_{p,q \in \mathbb{Z}}$  be the product structure of  $KO$  and  $(\iota_p : S^p \rightarrow KO_p)_{p \in \mathbb{Z}}$  the unit. Since  $i : S^2 \rightarrow Sp/U = KO_2$  is identified with  $\iota_2$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^2 \wedge KO_q & \xrightarrow{i \wedge 1_{KO_q}} & (Sp/U) \wedge KO_q \\ \downarrow S \varepsilon_q & & \downarrow \mu_{2,q} \\ SKO_{q+1} & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{q+1}} & KO_{q+2} \end{array}$$

is homotopy commutative. Hence  $\alpha\xi$  is represented by the following composition.

$$S^{m+q+2} = S^3 \wedge S^{m+q-1} \xrightarrow{h_2 \wedge f} S^2 \wedge KO_q \wedge S^n \xrightarrow{(\varepsilon_{q+1} S \varepsilon_q) \wedge 1_{S^n}} KO_{q+2} \wedge S^n$$

Since  $Sh_2$  is order 2 in  $\pi_4(S^3)$ ,  $h_2 \wedge 1_{S^n} : S^{n+3} = S^3 \wedge S^n \rightarrow S^2 \wedge S^n = S^{n+2}$  is homotopic to  $1_{S^n} \wedge h_2 : S^{n+3} = S^n \wedge S^3 \rightarrow S^n \wedge S^2 = S^{n+2}$  for  $n \geq 0$ . This implies that

$$S^3 \wedge KO_q \wedge S^n \xrightarrow{h_2 \wedge 1_{KO_q} \wedge 1_{S^n}} S^2 \wedge KO_q \wedge S^n$$

is homotopic to

$$S^2 \wedge S^1 \wedge KO_q \wedge S^n \xrightarrow{1_{S^2} \wedge T \wedge 1_{S^n}} S^2 KO_q \wedge S^1 \wedge S^n \xrightarrow{1_{S^2} \wedge KO_q \wedge S^{n-2} h_2} S^2 KO_q \wedge S^n,$$

which shows  $(S^{n-2} h_2)_* \sigma(\xi) = \alpha\xi$ . □

Let us denote by  $u_i \in \widetilde{KO}_i(S^i)$  ( $i \geq 0$ ) the canonical generators, that is,  $u_i$ 's are given by  $u_0 = 1$ ,  $\sigma(u_i) = u_{i+1}$ .

For  $s \geq 2$ , consider the cofiber sequence  $CP^{s-1}/CP^{s-2} \xrightarrow{\iota} CP^s/CP^{s-2} \xrightarrow{\kappa} CP^s/CP^{s-1}$ . We have the long exact sequences associated with this cofiber sequence.

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_{n+1}(CP^s/CP^{s-1}) &\xrightarrow{\partial} \widetilde{KO}_n(CP^{s-1}/CP^{s-2}) \xrightarrow{\iota_*} \widetilde{KO}_n(CP^s/CP^{s-2}) \\ &\xrightarrow{\kappa_*} \widetilde{KO}_n(CP^s/CP^{s-1}) \rightarrow \cdots \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 1.4.** *The connecting homomorphism*

$$\partial : \widetilde{KO}_{n+1}(\mathbb{C}P^s/\mathbb{C}P^{s-1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_n(\mathbb{C}P^{s-1}/\mathbb{C}P^{s-2})$$

is given by

$$\partial(u_{2s}) = \begin{cases} \alpha u_{2s-2} & s \text{ is even} \\ 0 & s \text{ is odd} \end{cases} .$$

*Proof.* Since the composition

$$\widetilde{KO}_n(S^{2s-1}) \xrightarrow{\sigma} \widetilde{KO}_{n+1}(S^{2s}) = \widetilde{KO}_{n+1}(\mathbb{C}P^s/\mathbb{C}P^{s-1}) \xrightarrow{\partial} \widetilde{KO}_n(\mathbb{C}P^{s-1}/\mathbb{C}P^{s-2})$$

coincides with the map induced by the attaching map  $\eta_s$ , the first formula follows from Lemma 1.2 and 1.3.  $\square$

The following result is known.

**Proposition 1.1.** *The complexification map  $\mathbf{c} : KO^*(X) \rightarrow K^*(X)$ , the realization map  $\mathbf{r} : K^*(X) \rightarrow KO^*(X)$  and the conjugation map  $\Psi^{-1} : K^*(X) \rightarrow K^*(X)$  are natural transformation of cohomology theories having the following properties.*

- 1)  $\mathbf{c}$  is a homomorphism of graded rings which maps  $\alpha \in KO^{-1}$  to 0,  $x \in KO^{-4}$  to  $2t^2$  and  $y \in KO^{-8}$  to  $t^4$ .
- 2)  $\mathbf{r}$  is a homomorphism of graded abelian groups which maps  $t^{4i} \in K^{-8i}$  to  $2y^i$ ,  $t^{4i+1} \in K^{-8i-2}$  to  $\alpha^2 y^i$  and  $t^{4i+2} \in K^{-8i-4}$  to  $xy^i$  for  $i \in \mathbf{Z}$ .
- 3)  $\Psi^{-1}$  is a ring homomorphism which maps  $t \in K^{-1}$  to  $-t$ .
- 4)  $\mathbf{r}\mathbf{c} = 2id_{KO^*(X)}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}\mathbf{r} = id_{K^*(X)} + \Psi^{-1}$  and  $\Psi^{-1}\Psi^{-1} = id_{K^*(X)}$  hold.

We denote by  $B : \widetilde{K}_n(X) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}_{n+2}(X)$  the Bott periodicity map  $B(a) = ta$  and by  $\alpha : \widetilde{KO}_n(X) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_{n-1}(X)$ , the multiplication map by  $\alpha \in KO_1$ . A fiber sequence  $U/O \rightarrow BO \rightarrow BU$  gives a cofiber sequence  $\Sigma KO \rightarrow KO \xrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} K$  of spectra. The following result is known.

**Proposition 1.2.** *There is a long exact sequence*

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots \rightarrow \widetilde{K}_{n+1}(X) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{r}B^{-1}} \widetilde{KO}_{n-1}(X) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \widetilde{KO}_n(X) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} \widetilde{K}_n(X) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{r}B^{-1}} \\ \widetilde{KO}_{n-2}(X) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \widetilde{KO}_{n-1}(X) \rightarrow \cdots \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 1.1.** *Let  $X$  be a space such that  $K_1(X) = \{0\}$  ( $X = \mathbb{C}P^l$  for example). There is an exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_{2n-1}(X) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \widetilde{KO}_{2n}(X) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} \widetilde{K}_{2n}(X) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{r}B^{-1}} \widetilde{KO}_{2n-2}(X) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \widetilde{KO}_{2n-1}(X) \rightarrow 0.$$

## 2. Conjugation in $K_*(\mathcal{C}P^l)$

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $E$  be a ring spectrum and  $\psi : E \rightarrow E$  be a map of ring spectra. For a space  $X$ , consider the Kronecker pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : E^*(X) \otimes_{E_*} E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*$ . Then,  $\psi(\langle \xi, a \rangle) = \langle \psi(\xi), \psi(a) \rangle$  for  $\xi \in E^*(X)$  and  $a \in E_*(X)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $g : X \rightarrow E_n$  be the map which represents  $\xi \in E^*(X)$  and  $f : S^{k+m} \rightarrow E_k \wedge X$  the map which represents  $a \in E_m(X)$ . Then,  $\psi_n g : X \rightarrow E_n$  and  $(\psi_k \wedge 1_X)f : f : S^{k+m} \rightarrow E_k \wedge X$  represent  $\psi(\xi)$ ,  $\psi(a)$ , respectively. The assertion follows from the homotopy commutativity of the following diagram. Here  $\mu_{k,n} : E_k \wedge E_n \rightarrow E_{k+n}$  denote the ring structure of  $E$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} S^{k+m} & \xrightarrow{f} & E_k \wedge X & \xrightarrow{1_{E_k} \wedge g} & E_k \wedge E_n & \xrightarrow{\mu_{k,n}} & E_{k+n} \\ & & \downarrow \psi_k \wedge 1_X & & \downarrow \psi_k \wedge \psi_n & & \downarrow \psi_{k+n} \\ & & E_k \wedge X & \xrightarrow{1_{E_k} \wedge \psi_n g} & E_k \wedge E_n & \xrightarrow{\mu_{k,n}} & E_{k+n} \end{array}$$

□

Let us denote by  $\eta_l$  the canonical complex line bundle over  $\mathcal{C}P^l$ . Put  $\mu_l = \eta_l - 1 \in \tilde{K}^0(\mathcal{C}P^l)$ . Then,  $K^*(\mathcal{C}P^l) = K^*[\mu_l]/(\mu_l^{l+1})$  and  $\Psi^{-1}(\mu_l) = (1 + \mu_l)^{-1} - 1$ . We denote by  $\beta_i \in H_{2i}(\mathcal{C}P^l; \mathbf{Z})$  the dual of  $u^i \in H^{2i}(\mathcal{C}P^l; \mathbf{Z})$ . Then  $\beta_i$  generates  $H_{2i}(\mathcal{C}P^l; \mathbf{Z})$  which is isomorphic to  $\mathbf{Z}$ . The Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence  $E_{p,q}^2(K; \mathcal{C}P^l) = H_p(\mathcal{C}P^l; K_q) \Rightarrow K_{p+q}(\mathcal{C}P^l)$  collapses and  $K_*(\mathcal{C}P^l)$  is a free  $K_*$ -module generated by  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_l$ , where  $\beta_i \in K_{2i}(\mathcal{C}P^l)$  is the dual of  $t^{-i}\mu_l^i \in K^{2i}(\mathcal{C}P^l)$  ([1]). In order to calculate  $\Psi^{-1}(\beta_j)$ , we use the following fact.

**Lemma 2.2.** *For a positive integer  $i$ , the following equality holds in  $\mathbf{Z}[[z]]$ .*

$$(1 - (1+z)^{-1})^i = \sum_{k=i}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k-1}{i-1} z^k$$

*Proof.* By the Taylor expansion of  $(1+z)^{-i}$ , we have

$$(1 - (1+z)^{-1})^i = z^i (1+z)^{-i} = z^i \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} (-1)^s \binom{i+s-1}{i-1} z^s = \sum_{k=i}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k-1}{i-1} z^k.$$

□

**Proposition 2.1.**  $\Psi^{-1} : K_*(\mathcal{C}P^l) \rightarrow K_*(\mathcal{C}P^l)$  is given as follows.

$$\Psi^{-1}(\beta_0) = \beta_0, \quad \Psi^{-1}(\beta_j) = \sum_{k=1}^j \binom{j-1}{k-1} t^{j-k} \beta_k \quad \text{if } j \geq 1$$

*Proof.* We put  $\Psi^{-1}(\beta_j) = \sum_{k=0}^j c_{kj} \beta_k$  ( $c_{kj} \in K_{2j-2k}$ ). By Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\langle \Psi^{-1}(t^{-i} \mu_l^i), \Psi^{-1}(\beta_j) \rangle = \Psi^{-1}(\langle t^{-i} \mu_l^i, \beta_j \rangle) = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases} \quad \dots (1).$$

For  $i = 0$ , since  $\langle 1, \Psi^{-1}(\beta_j) \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^j c_{kj} \langle 1, \beta_k \rangle = c_{0j}$ , we have  $c_{00} = 1$  and  $c_{0j} = 0$  if  $j > 0$ . Suppose that  $i > 0$ . By Lemma 2.2,

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^{-1}(t^{-i} \mu_l^i) &= (-t)^{-i} ((1 + \mu_l)^{-1} - 1)^i \\ &= t^{-i} (1 - (1 + \mu_l)^{-1})^i \\ &= t^{-i} \sum_{s=i}^{\infty} (-1)^{s-i} \binom{s-1}{i-1} \mu_l^s. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Psi^{-1}(t^{-i} \mu_l^i), \Psi^{-1}(\beta_j) \rangle &= \left\langle t^{-i} \sum_{s=i}^{\infty} (-1)^{s-i} \binom{s-1}{i-1} \mu_l^s, \sum_{k=0}^j c_{kj} \beta_k \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{s=i}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^j (-1)^{s-i} \binom{s-1}{i-1} t^{s-i} c_{kj} \langle t^{-s} \mu_l^s, \beta_k \rangle \\ &= \sum_{k=i}^j (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k-1}{i-1} t^{k-i} c_{kj} \end{aligned}$$

if  $0 < i \leq j$ . It follows from (1) that  $c_{jj} = 1$  and, if  $0 < i < j$ ,

$$\sum_{k=i}^{j-1} (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k-1}{i-1} t^{k-i} c_{kj} + (-1)^{j-i} \binom{j-1}{i-1} t^{j-i} = 0.$$

Therefore

$$c_{ij} = - \sum_{k=i+1}^{j-1} (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k-1}{i-1} t^{k-i} c_{kj} - (-1)^{j-i} \binom{j-1}{i-1} t^{j-i} \quad \dots (2).$$

We show  $c_{ij} = \binom{j-1}{i-1} t^{j-i}$  by the induction on  $j-i$ . It can be easily verified from (2) that  $c_{j-1j} = \binom{j-1}{j-2} t$ . Assume that  $j-i = r$  and  $c_{kj} = \binom{j-1}{k-1} t^{j-k}$  holds if  $j-k < r$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{ij} &= - \sum_{k=i+1}^{j-1} (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k-1}{i-1} \binom{j-1}{k-1} t^{j-i} - (-1)^{j-i} \binom{j-1}{i-1} t^{j-i} \\
 &= - \sum_{k=i+1}^j (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k-1}{i-1} \binom{j-1}{k-1} t^{j-i} \\
 &= - \sum_{k=i+1}^j (-1)^{k-i} \binom{j-1}{i-1} \binom{j-i}{k-i} t^{j-i} \\
 &= - \binom{j-1}{i-1} t^{j-i} \sum_{k=i+1}^j (-1)^{k-i} \binom{j-i}{k-i}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence it remains to show that  $\sum_{k=i+1}^j (-1)^{k-i} \binom{j-i}{k-i} = -1$ . But this follows from

$$\sum_{p=0}^{j-i} (-1)^p \binom{j-i}{p} = ((-1) + 1)^{j-i} = 0. \quad \square$$

### 3. Eigen spaces of the conjugation map

We embed  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  into  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ . Then  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is a submodule of  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  spanned by  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_l$ .

Recall the Pontrjagin ring structure on  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  ([1]). Let  $m : \mathbf{C}P^\infty \times \mathbf{C}P^\infty \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^\infty$  be the product map and  $\eta \in K^0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  the class of the canonical line bundle on  $\mathbf{C}P^\infty$ . Put  $\mu = \eta - 1 \in K^*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  and  $\mu_1 = \mu \times 1, \mu_2 = 1 \times \mu \in K^*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty \times \mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ . Since  $m^* : K^*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \rightarrow K^*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty \times \mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  maps  $\mu$  to  $\mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_1\mu_2$ , we have

$$m^*((t^{-1}\mu)^k) = \sum_{i,j \geq 0, i+j \leq k} \frac{k!}{i!j!(k-i-j)!} t^{k-i-j} (t^{-1}\mu_1)^{k-j} (t^{-1}\mu_2)^{k-i}.$$

Thus we have

$$\langle m_*(\beta_i \otimes \beta_j), (t^{-1}\mu)^k \rangle = \frac{k!}{(k-i)!(k-j)!(i+j-k)!} t^{i+j-k}.$$

Hence the Pontrjagin ring structure  $m_* : K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \rightarrow K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  is given by

$$m_*(\beta_i \otimes \beta_j) = \sum_{i,j \leq k \leq i+j} \frac{k!}{(k-i)!(k-j)!(i+j-k)!} t^{i+j-k} \beta_k.$$

For  $x, y \in K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ , we denote  $m_*(x \otimes y)$  by  $xy$  for short below.

Since  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  is torsion free, we can regard  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  as a subalgebra of  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$ . Put  $\tilde{\beta}_i = it^{-i}\beta_i$  and  $z = \tilde{\beta}_1$ . Then,  $\beta_i\beta_1 = (i+1)\beta_{i+1} + it\beta_i$  implies a recursive formula  $\tilde{\beta}_{i+1} = (z-i)\tilde{\beta}_i$ . Hence we have

$$\tilde{\beta}_i = z(z-1) \cdots (z-i+1).$$

We set

$$\binom{z}{i} = \frac{1}{i!} z(z-1) \cdots (z-i+1).$$

The above argument shows  $\beta_i = t^i \binom{z}{i}$  and  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \subset K_* \otimes \mathbf{Q}[z]$ . This implies the following.

**Proposition 3.1.**  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$  is a polynomial algebra  $K_* \otimes \mathbf{Q}[z]$  over  $K_* \otimes \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}[t, t^{-1}]$  and  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  is the subalgebra of  $K_* \otimes \mathbf{Q}[z]$  generated by  $\binom{z}{i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ .

**Remark 3.1.** 1)  $K_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$  is a polynomial algebra  $\mathbf{Q}[z]$ .  $K_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  is the subalgebra of  $\mathbf{Q}[z]$  generated by  $\binom{z}{i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ .

2)  $\left\{ \binom{z}{i} \mid i = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \right\}$  is a basis of a free  $K_*$ -module  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  (resp. a free abelian group  $K_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ ). Here we set  $\binom{z}{0} = 1$ .

Put  $\bar{\Psi} = \Psi^{-1} \otimes id_{\mathbf{Q}} : K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q} \rightarrow K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$ . Since  $\bar{\Psi}(\beta_1) = \beta_1$  by Proposition 2.1, we have  $\bar{\Psi}(z) = \bar{\Psi}(t^{-1}\beta_1) = -t^{-1}\bar{\Psi}(\beta_1) = -t^{-1}\beta_1 = -z$ . Thus  $\bar{\Psi}$  is a ring homomorphism given by  $\bar{\Psi}(t) = -t$  and  $\bar{\Psi}(z) = -z$ .

It is clear that 1 and  $-1$  are eigen values of  $\bar{\Psi}$ . Let us denote by  $W_*$  and  $Z_*$  the eigen spaces of  $\bar{\Psi}$  corresponding to eigen values 1 and  $-1$  respectively. We set  $W_n = W_* \cap (K_n(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q})$  and  $Z_n = Z_* \cap (K_n(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q})$ . The following assertion is straightforward.

**Proposition 3.2.**  $Basis$  of  $W_{4k}, W_{4k-2}, Z_{4k}, Z_{4k-2}$  are given by the following sets of monomials, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ t^{2k} z^{2i} \mid i = 0, 1, 2, \dots \}, & \{ t^{2k-1} z^{2i-1} \mid i = 1, 2, 3, \dots \}, \\ & \{ t^{2k} z^{2i-1} \mid i = 1, 2, 3, \dots \}, & \{ t^{2k-1} z^{2i} \mid i = 0, 1, 2, \dots \} \end{aligned}$$

We define  $F_k(z) \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \subset \mathbf{Q}[z]$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  by

$$F_{2i-1}(z) = \sum_{j=i}^{2i-1} \binom{i-1}{j-i} \binom{z}{j}, \quad F_{2i}(z) = \sum_{j=i}^{2i} \left( \binom{i}{j-i} + \binom{i-1}{j-i-1} \right) \binom{z}{j}.$$

**Proposition 3.3.**

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2i-1}(z) &= \binom{z+i-1}{2i-1} = \frac{1}{(2i-1)!} z(z^2-1^2)(z^2-2^2) \cdots (z^2-(i-1)^2) \\ F_{2i}(z) &= \frac{z}{i} \binom{z+i-1}{2i-1} = \frac{2}{(2i)!} z^2(z^2-1^2)(z^2-2^2) \cdots (z^2-(i-1)^2) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Put  $\tilde{F}_{2i-1}(z) = \binom{z+i-1}{2i-1}$ ,  $\tilde{F}_{2i}(z) = \frac{2}{i} \binom{z+i-1}{2i-1}$ . It is easy to verify that  $F_k(z) = \tilde{F}_k(z)$  for  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$  and  $\tilde{F}_k(z+1) - 2\tilde{F}_k(z) + \tilde{F}_k(z-1) = \tilde{F}_{k-1}(z)$



for  $k \geq 2$ . Since  $\binom{z+1}{j} - 2\binom{z}{j} + \binom{z-1}{j} = \binom{z-1}{j-2}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{2i-1}(z+1) - 2F_{2i-1}(z) + F_{2i-1}(z-1) &= \sum_{j=i}^{2i-1} \binom{i-1}{j-i} \binom{z-1}{j-2} \\
&= \sum_{k=i-1}^{2i-2} \binom{i-1}{k-i+1} \binom{z-1}{k-1} \\
&= \sum_{k=i}^{2i-2} \binom{i-2}{k-i} \binom{z-1}{k-1} + \sum_{k=i-1}^{2i-3} \binom{i-2}{k-i+1} \binom{z-1}{k-1} \\
&= \sum_{j=i-1}^{2i-3} \binom{i-2}{j-i+1} \binom{z-1}{j} + \sum_{j=i-1}^{2i-3} \binom{i-2}{j-i+1} \binom{z-1}{j-1} \\
&= \sum_{j=i-1}^{2i-3} \binom{i-2}{j-i+1} \binom{z}{j} = F_{2i-3}(z)
\end{aligned}$$

Assume  $i \geq 3$  and  $F_{2i-3}(z) = \tilde{F}_{2i-3}(z)$ . Then,  $F_{2i-1}(z+1) - 2F_{2i-1}(z) + F_{2i-1}(z-1) = \tilde{F}_{2i-1}(z+1) - 2\tilde{F}_{2i-1}(z) + \tilde{F}_{2i-1}(z-1)$ .

Note that  $F_{2i-1}(0) = F_{2i-1}(1) = F_{2i-1}(2) = 0$  if  $i \geq 3$ . Put  $a_n = F_{2i-1}(n) - \tilde{F}_{2i-1}(n)$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $a_0 = a_1 = a_2 = 0$  and  $a_{n+1} - a_n = a_n - a_{n-1}$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Hence  $a_n - a_{n-1} = a_1 - a_0 = 0$  and  $a_n = a_0 = 0$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Therefore  $F_{2i-1}(n) = \tilde{F}_{2i-1}(n)$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Since  $F_{2i-1}(z)$  and  $\tilde{F}_{2i-1}(z)$  are polynomials of  $z$ ,  $F_{2i-1}(z) = \tilde{F}_{2i-1}(z)$ . Proof of  $F_{2i}(z) = \tilde{F}_{2i}(z)$  is similar.  $\square$

By the above result, we see that  $F_{2i}(-z) = F_{2i}(z)$  and  $F_{2i-1}(-z) = -F_{2i-1}(z)$ . Hence  $F_{2i}(z) \in W_* \cap \tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  and  $F_{2i-1}(z) \in Z_* \cap \tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ . More precisely, the following result holds.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $e = 0$  or  $1$ .  $\{t^{2k-e}F_{2i-e}(z) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots\}$  is a basis of  $W_* \cap \tilde{K}_{4k-2e}(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  over  $\mathbf{Z}$ . Similarly,  $\{t^{2k-e}F_{2i+e-1}(z) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots\}$  is a basis of  $Z_* \cap \tilde{K}_{4k-2e}(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  over  $\mathbf{Z}$ .*

*Proof.* Note that  $F_{2i}(z)$  (resp.  $F_{2i-1}(z)$ ) is a polynomial of degree  $2i$  (resp.  $2i-1$ ) which is a linear combination of monomials  $z^2, z^4, \dots, z^{2i}$  (resp.  $z, z^3, \dots, z^{2i-1}$ ). Hence  $z^{2i}$  (resp.  $z^{2i-1}$ ) is a linear combination of

$$F_2(z), F_4(z), \dots, F_{2i}(z) \quad (\text{resp.} \quad F_1(z), F_3(z), \dots, F_{2i-1}(z)).$$

It follows that  $\{F_{2i}(z) \mid i = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  (resp.  $\{F_{2i-1}(z) \mid i = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ ) is a basis of  $W_* \cap (\tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q})$  (resp.  $Z_* \cap (\tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q})$ ) over  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

Suppose  $\zeta \in W_* \cap \tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ . Then,  $\zeta = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i F_{2i}(z)$  for some  $m_i \in \mathbf{Q}$

( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ). By the definition of  $F_{2i}(z)$ , we have

$$\zeta = \sum_{j=1}^{2n} \left( \sum_{\frac{i}{2} \leq i \leq j} \left( \binom{i}{j-i} + \binom{i-1}{j-i-1} \right) m_i \right) \binom{z}{j}.$$

Since  $\left\{ \binom{z}{i} \mid i \geq 1 \right\}$  is a basis of a free abelian group  $\tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ ,

$$m_j + \sum_{\frac{i}{2} \leq i \leq j-1} \left( \binom{i}{j-i} + \binom{i-1}{j-i-1} \right) m_i \in \mathbf{Z}.$$

Now, we can show that every  $m_j$  is an integer by induction on  $j$ . Hence  $\{F_{2i}(z) \mid i = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  generates  $W_* \cap \tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  over  $\mathbf{Z}$ .

Similarly,  $\{F_{2i-1}(z) \mid i = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  generates  $Z_* \cap \tilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  over  $\mathbf{Z}$ .

Since the multiplication map  $t \times : \tilde{K}_n(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \rightarrow \tilde{K}_{n+2}(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  by  $t$  maps  $W_{-e} \cap \tilde{K}_n(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  isomorphically onto  $W_{e-1} \cap \tilde{K}_{n+2}(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ , the assertion follows from the above result.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.4.** *In  $\mathbf{Q}[z]$ , the following formula holds.*

$$\binom{z}{j} = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j+1}{2}} \frac{(-1)^{j-1}}{2} \left( \binom{j-i}{i-1} + \binom{j-i-1}{i-2} \right) F_{2i-1}(z) + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j}{2}} \frac{(-1)^j}{2} \binom{j-i-1}{i-1} F_{2i}(z)$$

Here we set  $\binom{j-2}{-1} = \begin{cases} 1 & j = 1 \\ 0 & j \neq 1 \end{cases}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $q$  and  $m$  be positive integers. In  $\mathbf{Q}[[z]]$ , we have  $(1-z)^{-q} = \sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^k \binom{-q}{k} z^k = \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{k+q-1}{q-1} z^k$ . Since  $(1-z)^{m-q} = (1-z)^{-q}(1-z)^m = \left( \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{k+q-1}{q-1} z^k \right) \left( \sum_{r \geq 0} (-1)^r \binom{m}{m-r} z^r \right)$ , the coefficient of  $z^p$  in  $(1-z)^{m-q}$  is

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^{p-k} \binom{q+k-1}{q-1} \binom{m}{k+m-p}.$$

On the other hand, the coefficient of  $z^p$  in  $(1-z)^{m-q}$  is  $\binom{q-m+p-1}{q-m-1}$  if  $q > m$ ,  $(-1)^p \binom{m-q}{p}$  if  $q \leq m$ . Thus we have

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^k \binom{k+q-1}{q-1} \binom{m}{k+m-p} = \begin{cases} (-1)^p \binom{q-m+p-1}{q-m-1} & q > m \\ \binom{m-q}{p} & q \leq m \end{cases}.$$

Apply this for  $(m, p, q) = (j-1, 2j-2i, i), (j-1, 2j-2i, i-1), (j, 2j-2i+1, i), (j, 2j-2i+1, i-1), (j-1, 2j-2i+1, i), (j-1, 2j-2i+1, i-1), (j-$

$1, 2j - 2i - 1, i), (j, 2j - 2i, i), (j - 1, 2j - 2i, i)$ . We have the following formulas, where  $\delta_{ij}$  denotes the Kronecker's delta  $\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{2i-1, j \leq k \leq 2j-1} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{k-i}{i-1} \binom{j-1}{k-j} &= \sum_{2i-1, j \leq k \leq 2j-1} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{k-i-1}{i-2} \binom{j-1}{k-j} = \delta_{ij}, \\ \sum_{2i-1, j \leq k \leq 2j} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{k-i}{i-1} \binom{j}{k-j} &= 0, \quad \sum_{2i-1, j \leq k \leq 2j} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{k-i-1}{i-2} \binom{j}{k-j} = \delta_{ij}, \\ \sum_{2i-1, j \leq k \leq 2j} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{k-i}{i-1} \binom{j-1}{k-j-1} &= -\delta_{ij}, \\ \sum_{2i-1, j \leq k \leq 2j} (-1)^{k-1} \binom{k-i-1}{i-2} \binom{j-1}{k-j-1} &= 0, \quad \sum_{2i, j \leq k \leq 2j-1} (-1)^k \binom{k-i-1}{i-1} \binom{j-1}{k-j} = 0, \\ \sum_{k \geq 2i} (-1)^k \binom{k-i-1}{i-1} \binom{j}{k-j} &= \sum_{k \geq 2j} (-1)^k \binom{k-i-1}{i-1} \binom{j-1}{k-j-1} = \delta_{ij}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $A$  be a matrix whose  $(i, 2j - 1)$ -entry is  $\binom{j-1}{i-j}$ ,  $(i, 2j)$ -entry is  $\binom{j}{i-j} + \binom{j-1}{i-j-1}$  and  $B$  a matrix whose  $(2i - 1, j)$ -entry is  $\frac{(-1)^{j-1}}{2} \left( \binom{j-i}{i-1} + \binom{j-i-1}{i-2} \right)$ ,  $(2i, j)$ -entry is  $\frac{(-1)^j}{2} \binom{j-i-1}{i-1}$ . Using the above equalities, it is straightforward to verify that  $BA$  is the unit matrix.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *The following equalities hold.*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{cr}(t^{2k} \beta_{2j}) &= \sum_{i=1}^j \binom{2j-i-1}{i-1} t^{2k+2j} F_{2i}(z) \\ \mathbf{cr}(t^{2k-1} \beta_{2j-1}) &= - \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \binom{2j-i-2}{i-1} t^{2k+2j-2} F_{2i}(z) \\ \mathbf{cr}(t^{2k-1} \beta_{2j}) &= - \sum_{i=1}^j \left( \binom{2j-i}{i-1} + \binom{2j-i-1}{i-2} \right) t^{2k+2j-1} F_{2i-1}(z) \\ \mathbf{cr}(t^{2k} \beta_{2j-1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^j \left( \binom{2j-i-1}{i-1} + \binom{2j-i-2}{i-2} \right) t^{2k+2j-1} F_{2i-1}(z) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.4 and Corollary 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^{-1} \left( \binom{z}{j} \right) &= - \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j+1}{2}} \frac{(-1)^{j-1}}{2} \left( \binom{j-i}{i-1} + \binom{j-i-1}{i-2} \right) F_{2i-1}(z) \\ &\quad + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j}{2}} \frac{(-1)^j}{2} \binom{j-i-1}{i-1} F_{2i}(z). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{z}{j} + \Psi^{-1} \left( \binom{z}{j} \right) &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j}{2}} (-1)^j \binom{j-i-1}{i-1} F_{2i}(z) \\ \binom{z}{j} - \Psi^{-1} \left( \binom{z}{j} \right) &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j+1}{2}} (-1)^{j-1} \left( \binom{j-i}{i-1} + \binom{j-i-1}{i-2} \right) F_{2i-1}(z) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the above equalities into

$$\mathbf{cr}(t^n \beta_j) = \mathbf{cr} \left( t^{n+j} \binom{z}{j} \right) = t^{n+j} \left( \binom{z}{j} + (-1)^{n+j} \Psi^{-1} \left( \binom{z}{j} \right) \right),$$

the result follows.  $\square$

For each positive integer  $n$ , we inductively define sequences of integers  $(a(n, 0), a(n, 1), \dots, a(n, n-1))$ ,  $(c(n, 0), c(n, 1), \dots, c(n, n-1))$ ,  $(d(n, 0), d(n, 1), \dots, d(n, n-1))$  by  $a(n, 0) = 1$ ,  $c(n, 0) = n$ ,  $d(n, 0) = 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned} a(n, j) &= - \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \binom{n+j-2i-1}{n-j-1} a(n, i) \\ c(n, j) &= -(n-j) \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \left( \left( \binom{n-2i+j-1}{n-j-1} + \binom{n-2i+j-2}{n-j-2} \right) c(n, i) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left( \binom{n-2i+j}{n-j-1} + \binom{n-2i+j-1}{n-j-2} \right) d(n, i) \right) \\ d(n, j) &= - \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \left( \left( \binom{n-2i+j-1}{n-j-1} + \binom{n-2i+j-2}{n-j-2} \right) c(n, i) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left( \binom{n-2i+j}{n-j-1} + \binom{n-2i+j-1}{n-j-2} \right) d(n, i) \right). \end{aligned}$$

The following result is a direct consequence of Corollary 3.2.

**Proposition 3.5.** *The following equalities hold.*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{cr} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a(n, j) t^{2j} \beta_{2n-2j} \right) &= t^{2n} F_{2n}(z) \\ \mathbf{cr} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (c(n, j) t^{2j} \beta_{2n-2j-1} + d(n, j) t^{2j-1} \beta_{2n-2j}) \right) &= t^{2n-1} F_{2n-1}(z) \end{aligned}$$

#### 4. Real $K$ -homology of complex projective spaces

Consider the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence

$$E_{p,q}^2(KO; \mathbf{CP}^l) \cong H_p(\mathbf{CP}^l; KO_q) \Rightarrow KO_{p+q}(\mathbf{CP}^l).$$

$E^2$ -term is a free  $KO_*$ -module generated by

$$\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_l \quad (\beta_j \in E_{2j,0}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)).$$

**Lemma 4.1.**  $d^2 : E_{p,q}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow E_{p-2,q+1}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  is given by

$$d^2(\beta_j) = \begin{cases} \alpha\beta_{j-1} & j \text{ is positive and even} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

*Proof.* We first note that the  $p$ -skeleton  $(\mathbf{C}P^l)^p$  is  $\mathbf{C}P^{\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor}$  if  $p \leq 2l$ . Hence  $E_{p,q}^1(KO, \mathbf{C}P^l) = 0$  if  $p$  is odd and  $E_{p,q}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l) = E_{p,q}^1(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l) = \widetilde{KO}_{p+q}(\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}}/\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-1})$  if  $p$  is positive and even. If  $p$  is even,  $d_2 : E_{p,q}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow E_{p-2,q+1}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  coincides with the connecting homomorphism

$$\partial : \widetilde{KO}_{p+q}(\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}}/\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_{p+q-1}(\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-1}/\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-2})$$

of the long exact sequence associated with the cofibration

$$\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-1}/\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-2} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}}/\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-2} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}}/\mathbf{C}P^{\frac{p}{2}-1}.$$

Then, the result follows from Lemma 1.4.  $\square$

By the above result,  $\beta_0, \beta_{2i-1}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l+1}{2}$ ),  $2\beta_{2i}, \alpha^2\beta_{2i}, x\beta_{2i}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}$ ) are cycles of the  $E^2$ -term. We denote by  $\beta_0 \in E_{0,0}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$ ,  $\beta_{2i-1,0} \in E_{4i-2,0}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$ ,  $\beta_{2i,0} \in E_{4i,0}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$ ,  $\beta_{2i-1,1} \in E_{4i,2}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$ ,  $\beta_{2i,1} \in E_{4i,4}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  the elements of the  $E^3$ -term corresponding to  $\beta_0, \beta_{2i-1}, 2\beta_{2i}, \alpha^2\beta_{2i}, x\beta_{2i}$ , respectively. The next result follows from the definitions of these elements and Lemma 4.1.

**Proposition 4.1.** *The following relations hold for  $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}$  in the  $E^3$ -term.*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha\beta_{2i-1,0} &= \alpha\beta_{2i,0} = \alpha\beta_{2i-1,1} = \alpha\beta_{2i,1} = 2\beta_{2i-1,1} = x\beta_{2i-1,1} = 0, \\ x\beta_{2i,0} &= 2\beta_{2i,1}, \quad x\beta_{2i,1} = 2y\beta_{2i,0} \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 4.1, the kernel of  $d^2$  is generated by  $\beta_0, \beta_{2i-1}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l+1}{2}$ ),  $2\beta_{2i}, \alpha^2\beta_{2i}, x\beta_{2i}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}$ ) over  $KO_*$ . Moreover, image of  $d^2$  is generated by  $\alpha\beta_{2i-1}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}$ ) over  $KO_*$ . Thus we have the following.

**Proposition 4.2.**  *$E^3$ -term is generated by the following set of elements over  $KO_*$ .*

- 1) *If  $l$  is even,  $\{\beta_{2i-1,0}, \beta_{2i,0}, \beta_{2i-1,1}, \beta_{2i,1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}\} \cup \{\beta_0\}$ .*
- 2) *If  $l$  is odd,  $\{\beta_{2i-1,0}, \beta_{2i,0}, \beta_{2i-1,1}, \beta_{2i,1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq \frac{l-1}{2}\} \cup \{\beta_0, \beta_{l,0}\}$ .*

**Corollary 4.1.**  $E_{*,*}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l) = E_{*,*}^\infty(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$

*Proof.* Since  $E_{p,q}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l) = \{0\}$  if  $p+q$  is odd and  $0 < p < 2l$ , there is no possibility of non-trivial differentials.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.2.**  $\widetilde{KO}_n(\mathbf{C}P^l) = \{0\}$  if “ $l$  is even and  $n$  is odd.” or “ $l$  is odd and  $n \not\equiv 2l + 1$  modulo 8.”

Applying Corollary 1.1 to the above result, we have the following.

**Corollary 4.3.**  $\mathbf{c} : \widetilde{KO}_{2n}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}_{2n}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is injective if  $l$  is even or  $n \not\equiv l + 1$  modulo 4. In particular,  $\widetilde{KO}_{2n}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is  $\mathbf{Z}$ -torsion free if  $l$  is even or  $n \not\equiv l + 1$  modulo 4.

We define elements  $\gamma_{i,s} \in KO_{2i+4s}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 2 \lfloor \frac{l}{2} \rfloor$ ,  $s = 0, 1$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{2n,s} &= \mathbf{r} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a(n,j) t^{2j+2s} \beta_{2n-2j} \right), \\ \gamma_{2n-1,s} &= \mathbf{r} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (c(n,j) t^{2j+2s} \beta_{2n-2j-1} + d(n,j) t^{2j+2s-1} \beta_{2n-2j}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

If  $l$  is odd, we define an element  $\gamma_{l,0} \in \widetilde{KO}_{2l}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  as follows. Since  $\mathbf{c}\mathbf{r}(t^{l-1}F_l(z)) = 0$  by Corollary 3.1 and  $\mathbf{c} : \widetilde{KO}_{2l-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}_{2l-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is injective by Corollary 4.3, we have  $\mathbf{r}(t^{l-1}F_l(z)) = 0$ . It follows from Corollary 1.1 that  $t^l F_l(z)$  is in the image of  $\mathbf{c} : \widetilde{KO}_{2l}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}_{2l}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  which is injective by Corollary 4.3. Hence there exists a unique element  $\gamma_{l,0} \in \widetilde{KO}_{2l}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  that maps to  $t^l F_l(z)$  by  $\mathbf{c}$ .

We put

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{2i-1} &= t^{2i-1} F_{2i-1}(z) = \sum_{j=i}^{2i-1} \binom{i-1}{j-i} t^{2i-j-1} \beta_j \in \widetilde{K}_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \\ \lambda_{2i} &= t^{2i} F_{2i}(z) = \sum_{j=i}^{2i} \left( \binom{i}{j-i} + \binom{i-1}{j-i-1} \right) t^{2i-j} \beta_j \in \widetilde{K}_{4i}(\mathbf{C}P^l). \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 4.1.** 1) It follows from Proposition 3.3 that  $\lambda_i \in K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}[t, t^{-1}, z]$  belongs to the subalgebra of  $\mathbf{Q}[t, t^{-1}, z]$  generated by  $\lambda_1 = tz$  and  $t^2$ .

2) By Proposition 3.4, we have the following equality in  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_j &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j+1}{2}} \frac{(-1)^{j-1}}{2} \left( \binom{j-i}{i-1} + \binom{j-i-1}{i-2} \right) t^{j-2i+1} \lambda_{2i-1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j}{2}} \frac{(-1)^j}{2} \binom{j-i-1}{i-1} t^{j-2i} \lambda_{2i} \end{aligned}$$

(3.5) implies the following.

**Lemma 4.2.**  $\mathbf{c} : KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  maps  $\gamma_{i,s}$  to  $t^{2s} \lambda_i$ .

**Lemma 4.3.**  $2\beta_{2i} \in E_{4i,0}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$ ,  $\alpha^2\beta_{2i} \in E_{4i,2}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  and  $x\beta_{2i} \in E_{4i,4}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}$ ) are permanent cycles corresponding to  $\gamma_{2i,0}$ ,  $\gamma_{2i-1,1}$  and  $\gamma_{2i,1}$ , respectively. Hence  $\gamma_{2i,0} \in F_{4i,0} - F_{4i-1,1}$ ,  $\gamma_{2i-1,1} \in F_{4i,2} - F_{4i-1,3}$  and  $\gamma_{2i,1} \in F_{4i,4} - F_{4i-1,5}$ .

*Proof.* There is a map  $\mathbf{r}^r : E_{p,q}^r(K; \mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow E_{p,q}^r(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  of spectral sequences induced by  $\mathbf{r} : K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ . Since  $\mathbf{r}^2(\beta_{2i}) = 2\beta_{2i}$ ,  $\mathbf{r}^2(t\beta_{2i}) = \alpha^2\beta_{2i}$  and  $\mathbf{r}^2(t^2\beta_{2i}) = x\beta_{2i}$  by 2) of (1.1), the result follows.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.4.**  $\gamma_{2i-1,0}$  belongs to the image  $F_{4i-2,0}$  of the map

$$KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1}) \rightarrow KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$$

induced by the inclusion map for  $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l+1}{2}$ . On the other hand,  $\gamma_{2i-1,0}$  does not belong to the image  $F_{4i-3,1}$  of the map  $KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i-2}) \rightarrow KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $F_{2l,0} = KO_{2l}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ , it suffices to show  $\gamma_{2i-1,0} \in F_{4i-2,0}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}$ . Let us denote by  $p : \mathbf{C}P^l \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^l/\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1}$ ,  $p' : \mathbf{C}P^{2i} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^{2i}/\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1} = S^{4i}$  the quotient maps and  $\iota : \mathbf{C}P^{2i} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^l$ ,  $\iota' : \mathbf{C}P^{2i}/\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}P^l/\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1}$  the inclusion maps. We put

$$\tilde{\gamma}_{2i-1,0} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (c(n,j)t^{2j}\beta_{2n-2j-1} + d(n,j)t^{2j-1}\beta_{2n-2j}).$$

$\tilde{\gamma}_{2i-1,0}$  is regarded as an element of  $K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i})$  and  $\gamma_{2i-1,0} \in KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is the image of  $\tilde{\gamma}_{2i-1,0}$  by the composition  $K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i}) \xrightarrow{\iota_*} K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{r}} KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ . Since  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{2i-1} \in K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i})$  are in the image of  $K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1}) \rightarrow K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i})$ ,  $p'_* : K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i}) \rightarrow K_{4i-2}(S^{4i})$  maps  $\tilde{\gamma}_{2i-1,0}$  to  $t^{-1}u_{4i}$ . It follows from (1.1) that  $\mathbf{r} : K_{4i-2}(S^{4i}) \rightarrow KO_{4i-2}(S^{4i})$  maps  $t^{-1}u_{4i}$  to zero. By the commutativity of the following diagram,  $p_*(\gamma_{2i-1,0}) = p_*(\mathbf{r}(\iota_*(\tilde{\gamma}_{2i-1,0}))) = \iota'_*(\mathbf{r}(p'_*(\tilde{\gamma}_{2i-1,0}))) = \iota'_*(\mathbf{r}(t^{-1}u_{4i})) = 0$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} K_{4i-2}(S^{4i}) & \xleftarrow{p'_*} & K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i}) & \xrightarrow{\iota_*} & K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \\ \downarrow \mathbf{r} & & \downarrow \mathbf{r} & & \downarrow \mathbf{r} \\ KO_{4i-2}(S^{4i}) & \xleftarrow{p_*} & KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i}) & \xrightarrow{\iota_*} & KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \\ & & \downarrow p'_* & & \downarrow p_* \\ & & KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i}/\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1}) & \xrightarrow{\iota'_*} & KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l/\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1}) \end{array}$$

Hence  $\gamma_{2i-1,0} \in \text{Ker } p_* = \text{Im}(KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^{2i-1}) \rightarrow KO_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l))$ .

By (4.2),  $\mathbf{c}(\gamma_{2i-1,0}) = \lambda_{2i-1} = \sum_{j=i}^{2i-1} \binom{i-1}{j-i} t^{2i-j-1} \beta_j \in F_{4i-2,0} - F_{4i-3,1}$ .

Therefore  $\gamma_{2i-1,0} \notin F_{4i-3,1}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.5.**  $\beta_{2i-1} \in E_{4i-2,0}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  is the permanent cycle corresponding to  $\gamma_{2i-1,0}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $E_{4i-2,0}^2(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbf{Z}$  generated by  $\beta_{2i-1}$ , the above result implies that there exists  $m \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $m\beta_{2i-1}$  is the permanent cycle corresponding to  $\gamma_{2i-1,0}$ . Consider a map  $\mathbf{c}^r : E_{p,q}^r(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow E_{p,q}^r(K; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  of spectral sequences induced by  $\mathbf{c} : KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow K_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ . Since  $\mathbf{c}^2(m\beta_{2i-1}) = m\beta_{2i-1}$  is the permanent cycle corresponding to  $\mathbf{c}(\gamma_{2i-1,0})$  and  $\mathbf{c}(\gamma_{2i-1,0}) = \lambda_{2i-1} \equiv \beta_{2i-1}$  modulo  $F_{4i-3,1}$ ,  $m\beta_{2i-1} \in E_{2i-1,0}^2(K; \mathbf{C}P^l)$  is the permanent cycle corresponding to  $\beta_{2i-1} \in K_{4i-2}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ . Therefore we have  $m = 1$ .  $\square$

Let us denote by  $\beta_0 \in KO_0(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  the unique element corresponding to  $\beta_0 \in E_{0,0}^3(KO; \mathbf{C}P^l)$ . Clearly,  $\mathbf{c}(\beta_0) = \beta_0$ .

**Theorem 4.1.**  $KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is generated by the following set of elements over  $KO_*$ .

- 1) If  $l$  is even,  $\{\gamma_{2i-1,0}, \gamma_{2i,0}, \gamma_{2i-1,1}, \gamma_{2i,1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}\} \cup \{\beta_0\}$ .
- 2) If  $l$  is odd,  $\{\gamma_{2i-1,0}, \gamma_{2i,0}, \gamma_{2i-1,1}, \gamma_{2i,1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq \frac{l-1}{2}\} \cup \{\beta_0, \gamma_{l,0}\}$ .

By the definition of  $\gamma_{i,s}$  and the above result, we have the following.

**Corollary 4.4.** The image of  $\mathbf{c} : \widetilde{KO}_{2n}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}_{2n}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is spanned over  $\mathbf{Z}$  by  $\{t^{n-2i}\lambda_{2i} \mid 1 \leq i \leq \frac{l}{2}\}$  if  $n$  is even,  $\{t^{n-2i+1}\lambda_{2i-1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq \frac{l+1}{2}\}$  if  $n$  is odd.

We also have the following result from (1.1), (4.1) and (4.2).

**Corollary 4.5.** The image of  $\mathbf{c} \otimes id_{\mathbf{Q}} : KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q} \rightarrow K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$  is the subalgebra generated by  $tz$  and  $t^2$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Relations  $\alpha\gamma_{i,s} = 0$ ,  $x\gamma_{i,s} = 2y^s\gamma_{i,1-s}$  hold for  $1 \leq i \leq 2 \lfloor \frac{l}{2} \rfloor$  and  $s = 0, 1$  in  $KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ .

*Proof.* First, assume that  $l$  is even. We have  $\widetilde{KO}_n(\mathbf{C}P^l) = \{0\}$  for odd  $n$ . Hence  $\alpha\gamma_{i,s} = 0$  for dimensional reason. By (4.2) and (1.1),  $\mathbf{c}(x\gamma_{i,0}) = \mathbf{c}(2\gamma_{i,1}) = 2t^2\lambda_i$  and  $\mathbf{c}(x\gamma_{i,1}) = \mathbf{c}(2y\gamma_{i,0}) = 2t^4\lambda_i$ . Since  $\mathbf{c} : \widetilde{K}_{2n}(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_{2n}(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  is injective by (4.3), we have  $x\gamma_{i,0} = 2\gamma_{i,1}$  and  $x\gamma_{i,1} = 2y\gamma_{i,0}$ . If  $l$  is odd, since  $\gamma_{i,s} \in KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 2 \lfloor \frac{l}{2} \rfloor$ ,  $s = 0, 1$ ) are the images of  $\gamma_{i,s} \in KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^{l-1})$  by the map induced by the inclusion map, the same relations holds in  $KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ .  $\square$

Proposition 3.4 enable us to describe the realization map  $\mathbf{r} : \widetilde{K}_*(\mathbf{C}P^l) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{C}P^l)$ .



**Proposition 4.3.**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{r}(t^{4n-j}\beta_j) &= \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j}{4}} (-1)^j \binom{j-2k-1}{2k-1} y^{n-k} \gamma_{4k,0} \\
&\quad + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j+2}{4}} (-1)^j \binom{j-2k}{2k-2} y^{n-k} \gamma_{4k-2,1} \\
\mathbf{r}(t^{4n+2-j}\beta_j) &= \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j}{4}} (-1)^j \binom{j-2k-1}{2k-1} y^{n-k} \gamma_{4k,1} \\
&\quad + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j+2}{4}} (-1)^j \binom{j-2k}{2k-2} y^{n-k+1} \gamma_{4k-2,0} \\
\mathbf{r}(t^{4n+1-j}\beta_j) &= \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j+1}{4}} (-1)^{j-1} \left( \binom{j-2k}{2k-1} + \binom{j-2k-1}{2k-2} \right) y^{n-k} \gamma_{4k-1,1} \\
&\quad + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j+3}{4}} (-1)^{j-1} \left( \binom{j-2k+1}{2k-2} + \binom{j-2k}{2k-3} \right) y^{n-k+1} \gamma_{4k-3,0} \\
\mathbf{r}(t^{4n+3-j}\beta_j) &= \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j+1}{4}} (-1)^{j-1} \left( \binom{j-2k}{2k-1} + \binom{j-2k-1}{2k-2} \right) y^{n-k+1} \gamma_{4k-1,0} \\
&\quad + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq \frac{j+3}{4}} (-1)^{j-1} \left( \binom{j-2k+1}{2k-2} + \binom{j-2k}{2k-3} \right) y^{n-k+1} \gamma_{4k-3,1}
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Since

$$\mathbf{c}\mathbf{r}(t^{m-j}\beta_j) = t^{m-j}\beta_j + \Psi^{-1}(t^{m-j}\beta_j) = t^m \binom{z}{j} + \bar{\Psi} \left( t^m \binom{z}{j} \right) = t^m \binom{z}{j} + (-t)^m \binom{-z}{j}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\binom{z}{j} + \binom{-z}{j} &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j}{2}} (-1)^j \binom{j-i-1}{i-1} F_{2i}(z) \\
\binom{z}{j} - \binom{-z}{j} &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \frac{j+1}{2}} (-1)^{j-1} \left( \binom{j-i}{i-1} + \binom{j-i-1}{i-2} \right) F_{2i-1}(z)
\end{aligned}$$

by Proposition 3.4, the result follows from the definition of  $\gamma_{i,s}$ 's and the injectivity of  $\mathbf{c}$ .  $\square$

**Remark 4.2.** Let us denote by  $\eta_L, \eta_R : KO_* \rightarrow KO_* \widetilde{KO}$  be the left, right unit of Hopf algebroid  $(KO_*, KO_* \widetilde{KO})$ . We denote by  $\varphi : \widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \rightarrow KO_* \widetilde{KO} \otimes_{KO_*} \widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  the  $KO_* \widetilde{KO}$ -comodule structure map and by  $\psi : \widetilde{K}_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty) \rightarrow K_* K \otimes_{K_*} \widetilde{K}_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  the  $K_* K$ -comodule structure map.

Since  $\eta_L(\alpha) = \eta_R(\alpha)$  ([3]) and  $\widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  is  $\alpha$ -torsion group, it follows from (4.3) that  $KO_* \widetilde{KO} \otimes_{KO_*} \widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  is  $\mathbf{Z}$ -torsion free. Hence the vertical maps of the following diagram is injective by (4.3) and the results on  $KO_* \widetilde{KO}$

([3]).

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{CP}^\infty) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & KO_*KO \otimes_{KO_*} \widetilde{KO}_*(\mathbf{CP}^\infty) \\ \downarrow \mathbf{c} & & \downarrow (\mathbf{c} \wedge \mathbf{c}) \otimes \mathbf{c} \\ \widetilde{K}_*(\mathbf{CP}^\infty) & \xrightarrow{\psi} & K_*K \otimes_{K_*} \widetilde{K}_*(\mathbf{CP}^\infty) \end{array}$$

If we set  $\psi(\beta_j) = \sum_{i=1}^j \alpha_{ij} \otimes \beta_i$  ( $\alpha_{ij} \in K_{2j-2i}K$ ), then  $\alpha_{jj} = 1$  and a relation  $(j+1)\beta_{j+1} = \beta_1\beta_j - jt\beta_j$  implies a recursive formula on  $\alpha_{ij}$ 's.

$$(j+1)\alpha_{ij+1} = (iv - ju)\alpha_{ij} + i\alpha_{i-1j} \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_{ii} = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad j \geq i \geq 1$$

Here, we put  $u = \eta_L(t)$  and  $v = \eta_R(t)$  for the left, right unit  $\eta_L, \eta_R : K_* \rightarrow K_*K$  of Hopf algebroid  $(K_*, K_*K)$ . In particular, we have  $(j+1)\alpha_{1j+1} = (v - ju)\alpha_{1j}$ , hence  $\alpha_{1j} = u^j v^{-1} \binom{u^{-1}v}{j}$  for  $j \geq 1$ . It seems to be difficult to give a good description of  $\alpha_{ij}$  for  $i \geq 2$ . Using (4.2), 2) of (4.1) and above observation, it may be possible to determine  $\psi(\gamma_{i,s})$  for small  $i$ .

## 5. Pontrjagin ring structure of $KO_*(\mathbf{CP}^\infty)$

The relation  $\beta_i\beta_j = \sum_{i,j \leq k \leq i+j} \frac{k!}{(k-i)!(k-j)!(i+j-k)!} t^{i+j-k} \beta_k$  implies the following formula.

**Proposition 5.1.**

$$\binom{z}{i} \binom{z}{j} = \sum_{i,j \leq k \leq i+j} \frac{k!}{(k-i)!(k-j)!(i+j-k)!} \binom{z}{k}$$

We put

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i,j,k} &= \sum_{p=i}^{2i-1} \sum_{q=j}^{2j-1} \sum_{p,q, 2k \leq r \leq p+q} \frac{(-1)^r}{2} \binom{i-1}{p-i} \binom{j-1}{q-j} \binom{r}{p} \binom{p}{r-q} \binom{r-k-1}{k-1}, \\ B_{i,j,k} &= \sum_{p=i}^{2i-1} \sum_{q=j}^{2j} \sum_{p,q, 2k \leq r \leq p+q} \frac{(-1)^{r-1}}{2} \binom{i-1}{p-i} \left( \binom{j}{q-j} + \binom{j-1}{q-j-1} \right) \\ &\quad \times \binom{r}{p} \binom{p}{r-q} \left( \binom{r-k}{k-1} + \binom{r-k-1}{k-2} \right), \\ C_{i,j,k} &= \sum_{p=i}^{2i} \sum_{q=j}^{2j} \sum_{p,q, 2k \leq r \leq p+q} \frac{(-1)^r}{2} \left( \binom{i}{p-i} + \binom{i-1}{p-i-1} \right) \\ &\quad \times \left( \binom{j}{q-j} + \binom{j-1}{q-j-1} \right) \binom{r}{p} \binom{p}{r-q} \binom{r-k-1}{k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 5.2.** *The following relations hold in  $K_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ .*

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2i-1}(z)F_{2j-1}(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{i+j-1} A_{i,j,k}F_{2k}(z), \\ F_{2i-1}(z)F_{2j}(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{i+j} B_{i,j,k}F_{2k-1}(z), \\ F_{2i}(z)F_{2j}(z) &= \sum_{k=1}^{i+j} C_{i,j,k}F_{2k}(z). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Since  $F_{2i-1}(z)F_{2j-1}(z)$ ,  $F_{2i}(z)F_{2j}(z)$  belong to  $W_* \cap \widetilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$  and  $F_{2i-1}(z)F_{2j}(z)$  belongs to  $Z_* \cap \widetilde{K}_0(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ ,  $F_{2i-1}(z)F_{2j-1}(z)$ ,  $F_{2i}(z)F_{2j}(z)$  are linear combinations of  $F_{2k}(z)$ 's and  $F_{2i-1}(z)F_{2j}(z)$  is a linear combination of  $F_{2k-1}(z)$ 's. The result follows from the definition of  $F_i(z)$ , (5.1) and Proposition 3.4.  $\square$

The above relations imply the next result which gives the product structure of  $KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *The following relations hold in  $KO_*(\mathbf{C}P^\infty)$ .*

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{2i-1,0}\gamma_{2j-1,0} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} A_{i,j,i+j-2s-1}y^s\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-2,0} \\ &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-3}{2}} A_{i,j,i+j-2s-2}y^s\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-4,1}, \\ \gamma_{2i-1,0}\gamma_{2j-1,1} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} A_{i,j,i+j-2s-1}y^s\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-2,1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-3}{2}} A_{i,j,i+j-2s-2}y^{s+1}\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-4,0}, \\ \gamma_{2i-1,1}\gamma_{2j-1,1} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} A_{i,j,i+j-2s-1}y^{s+1}\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-2,0} \\ &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-3}{2}} A_{i,j,i+j-2s-2}y^{s+1}\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-4,1}, \\ \gamma_{2i-1,0}\gamma_{2j,0} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-1}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s}y^s\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-1,0} \\ &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s-1}y^s\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-3,1}, \\ \gamma_{2i-1,1}\gamma_{2j,0} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-1}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s}y^s\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-1,1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s-1}y^{s+1}\gamma_{2i+2j-4s-3,0}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma_{2i-1,0}\gamma_{2j,1} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-1}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s} y^s \gamma_{2i+2j-4s-1,1} \\
&\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s-1} y^{s+1} \gamma_{2i+2j-4s-3,0}, \\
\gamma_{2i-1,1}\gamma_{2j,1} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-1}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s} y^{s+1} \gamma_{2i+2j-4s-1,0} \\
&\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} B_{i,j,i+j-2s-1} y^{s+1} \gamma_{2i+2j-4s-3,1}, \\
\gamma_{2i,0}\gamma_{2j,0} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-1}{2}} C_{i,j,i+j-2s} y^s \gamma_{2i+2j-4s,0} \\
&\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} C_{i,j,i+j-2s-2} y^s \gamma_{2i+2j-4s-2,1}, \\
\gamma_{2i,0}\gamma_{2j,1} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-1}{2}} C_{i,j,i+j-2s} y^s \gamma_{2i+2j-4s,1} \\
&\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} C_{i,j,i+j-2s-2} y^{s+1} \gamma_{2i+2j-4s-2,0}, \\
\gamma_{2i,1}\gamma_{2j,1} &= \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-1}{2}} C_{i,j,i+j-2s} y^{s+1} \gamma_{2i+2j-4s,0} \\
&\quad + \sum_{0 \leq s \leq \frac{i+j-2}{2}} C_{i,j,i+j-2s-2} y^{s+1} \gamma_{2i+2j-4s-2,1}
\end{aligned}$$

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