

On the Adams Filtration of a Generator of the Free Part of $\pi_*^s(Q_n)$

Dedicated to Professor Shôrô Araki on his sixtieth birthday

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§1. Introduction and Results

Let Q_n be the quaternionic quasi-projective space (cf. [11]). Then it is a 2-connected CW-complex having one $4i-1$ dim cell for each i with $1 \leq i \leq n$. It is known that the order of the cokernel of the stable Hurewicz homomorphism $h: \pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n) \rightarrow H_{4n-1}(Q_n; Z)$ is equal to $a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!$ (see Theorem 3.10), where and throughout the paper $a(i)$ denotes 1 if i is an even integer and 2 if i is an odd integer. Then, for any generator x of the free part of $\pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)$, the mod p Adams filtration $F_p(x)$ is less than or equal to $\nu_p(a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!)$, where $\nu_p(j)$ denotes the exponent of a prime p in the prime power decomposition of an integer j . Let $G_{(p)}$ denote the tensor product $G \otimes Z_{(p)}$ for an abelian group G , where $Z_{(p)}$ is the ring of integers localized at p . Then, one of the results in this note is the following.

Theorem 1. *For $n \geq 1$ we have an element $x_n \in \pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)_{(2)}$ which is a generator of the free part and whose mod 2 Adams filtration is equal to $\nu_2(a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!)$.*

In [6] M.C. Crabb and K. Knapp has proved that $F_p(\sigma^r) = \nu_p(r!)$ for the generator σ^r of the free part of $\pi_{2r}^s(CP^\infty)$, where CP^∞ is the complex projective space and σ^r is the r -fold product of the canonical generator $\sigma \in \pi_2^s(CP^\infty)$ by the H -space structure of CP^∞ . Theorem 1 is an analogy of their result for the case of the quaternionic quasi-projective space. For the case of an odd prime p , the element $q_*(\sigma^{2n-1}) \in \pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)_{(p)}$ satisfies the corresponding properties, that is, it is a generator of the free part and satisfies $F_p(q_*(\sigma^{2n-1})) = \nu_p(a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!)$, where $q: \Sigma CP^{2n-1} \rightarrow Q_n$ is the map canonically defined by the definition of Q_n (cf. [20]).

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In [18] D.M. Segal has obtained some results about $\pi_*^s(HP^n)$ by applying the Adams spectral sequence, whose method originated with M. Mahowald [12], where HP^n denotes the quaternionic projective space. Our proof of Theorem 1 will be done as an application of Segal's method and of Crabb-Knapp's result mentioned above. Then by our method some properties concerned with the $\text{Im}(J)$ classes are also shown, which is the second result of this note. To state them, we prepare some notations.

Let $\text{Im}(J)_n$ be the image of J -homomorphism in $\pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0)_{(2)}$. Then it is a cyclic group of order $2^{3+\nu(n)}$ and a direct summand of $\pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0)$, where $\nu(n) = \nu_2(n)$. (Cf. [2]). We denote by α_{2n} the element of $\text{Im}(J)_n$ of order 2, and by $\alpha_{2n/i}$ the element of $\text{Im}(J)_n$ satisfying $2^{i-1}\alpha_{2n/i} = \alpha_{2n}$ for $i \geq 1$. Let $i: S^2 \rightarrow CP^n$ and $i: S^3 \rightarrow Q_n$ be the inclusions to the bottom spheres respectively. Then we have the following theorems.

Theorem 2. *Let $i_*: \pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0) \cong \pi_{4n+1}^s(S^2) \rightarrow \pi_{4n+1}^s(CP^k)$.*

- (i) *When $n=2m \geq 2$, we have (a) $i_*(\alpha_{4m}) \neq 0$ if $1 \leq k \leq 4m$, and (b) $i_*(\alpha_{4m}) = 0$ and $i_*(\alpha_{4m/2}) \neq 0$ if $k \geq 4m+1$.*
(ii) *When $n=2m+1 \geq 1$, we have (a) $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2}) = 0$ if $k \geq 2$, (b) $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/2}) \neq 0$ if $1 \leq k \leq 4m+2$, and (c) $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/2}) = 0$ and $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/3}) \neq 0$ if $k \geq 4m+3$.*

Theorem 3. *Let $i_*: \pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0) \cong \pi_{4n+2}^s(S^3) \rightarrow \pi_{4n+2}^s(Q_k)$.*

- (i) *When $n=2m \geq 2$, $i_*(\alpha_{4m}) \neq 0$ if $k \geq 1$.*
(ii) *When $n=2m+1 \geq 1$, (a) $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2}) \neq 0$ if $1 \leq k \leq 2m+1$, and (b) $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2}) = 0$ and $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/3}) \neq 0$ if $k \geq 2m+2$.*

This paper is organized as follows: In §2, we show Proposition 2.1, which proves a part of Theorems 2 and 3, and which we need in the proof of Theorem 1. In §3, we prove Theorem 1 by applying the Adams spectral sequences for $\pi_*^s(CP^n)$ and $\pi_*^s(Q_n)$, which also proves a part of Theorems 2 and 3. In §4, we complete the proof of Theorems 2 and 3.

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§2. Estimation by J -Theory

Let $(Y_n, d) = (CP^{2n}, 2)$ or $(Q_n, 3)$, and let $i_*|_J$ be the restriction of $i_*: \pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0) \cong \pi_{4n+d-1}^s(S^d) \rightarrow \pi_{4n+d-1}^s(Y_n)$ to $\text{Im}(J)_n$, where $i: S^d \rightarrow Y_n$ is the inclusion into the bottom sphere and $\text{Im}(J)_n$ is the 2-primary part of the image of the J -homomorphism in $\pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0)$. In this section, we prove the following

Proposition 2.1. (i) *When $Y_n = CP^{2n}$ and $n=2m \geq 2$, $i_*|_J$ is injective.*

(ii) *When $Y_n = CP^{2n}$ and $n=2m+1 \geq 1$, $\nu_2(|i_*(\text{Im}(J)_n)|) = \nu_2(|\text{Im}(J)_n|) - 1$, where $|G|$ denotes the order of the group G .*

(iii) When $Y_n = Q_n$ and $n \geq 1$, $i_*|_J$ is injective.

Let $\phi^3: KO_{(2)} \rightarrow KO_{(2)}$ be the stable Adams operation on the KO -theory localized at 2, and kO and $kSpin$ the (-1) and 3 connective cover of KO respectively. Then we have a lifting $\psi: kO_{(2)} \rightarrow kSpin_{(2)}$ of the operation $\phi^3 - 1: KO_{(2)} \rightarrow KO_{(2)}$, and we define j to be the fiber spectrum of ψ . (Cf. [7], [16]). Then j is a connected 2-local spectrum, and $\pi_0(j) \cong Z_{(2)}$. We denote by $j_i(X)$ and $j^i(X)$ the reduced homology and cohomology groups of a space X respectively. Then the j -theory is known to be closely related to the J -groups as follows, where $h_j: \pi_*^s(X)_{(2)} \rightarrow j_*(X)$ is the stable Hurewicz homomorphism.

Lemma 2.2. *The restriction of $h_j: \pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0)_{(2)} \rightarrow j_{4n-1}(S^0)$ to $\text{Im}(J)_n$ is an isomorphism.*

Thus we investigate the homomorphism $i_*: j_{4n-1}(S^0) \rightarrow j_{4n+d-1}(Y_n)$ to prove Proposition 2.1. For example, to prove (i) and (iii) it is sufficient to show that i_* is injective. To make use of the known results about the KO -cohomology of Y_n , we consider the S -dual of Y_n , and denote it by V_n . Then by [4], the stable homotopy type of V_n is given as follows:

Lemma 2.3. *When $Y_n = CP^{2n}$ (resp. Q_n), V_n is stably homotopy equivalent to the stunted complex (resp. quaternionic) projective space $CP_{\frac{2}{2}(N-n)-1}^{2(N-n-1)} = CP^{2(N-1)}/CP^{2(N-n-1)}$ (resp. $HP_{N-n}^{N-1} = HP^{N-1}/HP^{N-n-1}$) for some sufficiently large integer N which we can take so as to satisfy $N > n$ and $N \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$.*

We regard V_n as the stunted projective space as in Lemma 2.3. Let $p: V_n \rightarrow S^{4(N-1)}$ be the collapsing map to the top cell, and let $M = N - n - 1$. Then through the S -duality, the homomorphism $i_*: j_{4n-1}(S^0) \rightarrow j_{4n+d-1}(Y_n)$ is identified with $p^*: j^{-4n+1}(S^0) \cong j^{4M+1}(S^{4(N-1)}) \rightarrow j^{4M+1}(V_n)$. Thus to prove Proposition 2.1 we determine the order of the image of p^* . Let $\psi: kO^*(X)_{(2)} \rightarrow kSpin^*(X)_{(2)}$ denote the homomorphism defined by the operation $\phi^3 - 1$ mentioned at the first of this section. Then we have the following commutative diagram;

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \psi & & \delta & & \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ kO^{-4n}(S^0)_{(2)} & \longrightarrow & kSpin^{-4n}(S^0)_{(2)} & \longrightarrow & j^{-4n+1}(S^0) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow p^* & & \downarrow p^* & & \\ & & \psi & & \delta & & \\ kO^{4M}(V_n)_{(2)} & \longrightarrow & kSpin^{4M}(V_n)_{(2)} & \longrightarrow & j^{4M+1}(V_n), & & \end{array}$$

where and throughout the paper the cohomology and homology groups are assumed to be reduced. Let ι_n be the generator of $kSpin^{-4n}(S^0)_{(2)} \cong Z_{(2)}$. Then $\delta(\iota_n)$ is a generator of $j^{-4n+1}(S^0)$, and thus our task is to determine the order of $p^*(\iota_n)$ in $kSpin^{4M}(V_n)_{(2)}/\text{image}(\psi)$.

The group structure of $KO^*(CP^n)$ has been determined by M. Fujii [8], and

that of $KO^*(HP^n)$ is classically well-known, since the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence for $KO^*(HP^n)$ collapses. In particular both groups $KO^{4M}(CP^{2(N-1)})$ and $KO^{4M}(HP^{N-1})$ are free abelian groups of rank $N-1$. Using [8] and the elementary properties of the Adams operation, we have the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.5. *Let $V_n = CP_{2M+1}^{2(N-1)}$. Then we have*

(i) $kSpin^{4M}(V_n)$ and $kO^{4M}(V_n)$ are identified with the following subgroups of $KO^{4M}(CP^{2(N-1)})$ through the collapsing map $CP^{2(N-1)} \rightarrow V_n$: For a suitably chosen basis $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{N-1}\}$ of $KO^{4M}(CP^{2(N-1)})$,

$$kSpin^{4M}(V_n) \cong Z\{2X_{M+1}, X_{M+2}, \dots, X_{N-1}\}$$

and

$$kO^{4M}(V_n) \cong Z\{X_{M+1}, X_{M+2}, \dots, X_{N-1}\}.$$

(ii) $p^*(\iota_n) = X_{N-1}$ if n is even, and $p^*(\iota_n) = 2X_{N-1}$ if n is odd, where p^* and ι_n are those as in (2.4).

(iii) $(\phi^3 - 1)(X_j) \equiv (3^{2(j-M)} - 1)X_j \pmod{(X_{j+1}, \dots, X_{N-1})}$ for $M+1 \leq j \leq N-1$.

Lemma 2.6. *Let $V_n = HP_{N-n}^{N-1}$. Then $kO^{4M}(V_n) \cong kSpin^{4M}(V_n) \cong KO^{4M}(V_n) \cong Z\{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}$ for a basis $\{Y_i\}$ satisfying*

(i) $p^*(\iota_n) = Y_n$ and

(ii) $(\phi^3 - 1)(Y_j) \equiv (3^{2j} - 1)Y_j \pmod{(Y_{j+1}, \dots, Y_n)}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$.

Proof of Proposition 2.1. Let c_n be the order of $p^*(\iota_n)$ in $kSpin^{4M}(V_n)_{(2)}/\text{image}(\phi)$. Then for the case (i) and (iii), we have $\nu_2(c_n) = \nu_2(3^{2n} - 1)$ by Lemmas 2.5 and 2.6 respectively. Since $\nu_2(|j_{4n-1}(S^0)|) = \nu_2(3^{2n} - 1)$, $p^*: j^{-4n+1}(S^0) \rightarrow j^{4M+1}(V_n)$ is injective, and thus we have the desired results for (i) and (iii). Similarly, we have (ii), because in this case we have $\nu_2(c_n) = \nu_2(3^{2n} - 1) - 1$ by Lemma 2.5. Thus we have completed the proof.

§ 3. Proof of Theorem 1

In this section, we consider the classical Adams spectral sequence [1] converging to $\pi_*^s(S^0)$, $\pi_*^s(CP^n)$ and $\pi_*^s(Q_n)$ at a prime 2. Let $E_r^{s,t}(X)$ be the E_r -term of the Adams spectral sequence based on the ordinary $Z/2$ -coefficient cohomology groups and converging to $\pi_*^s(X) \otimes Z_2$, where Z_2 denotes the ring of 2-adic integers, and let $d_r: E_r^{s,t}(X) \rightarrow E_r^{s+r,t+r-1}(X)$ be the differential between E_r -terms. Thus, $E_2^{s,t}(X) = \text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(H^*(X; Z/2), Z/2)$, and $E_\infty^{s,t}(X)$ is the bigraded group associated with the Adams filtration of $\pi_*^s(X)$, where A denotes the mod 2 Steenrod algebra. We refer to [17] with respect to the definitions and the general properties for the Adams spectral sequences. Sometimes, we abbreviate s and t from $E_r^{s,t}(X)$ and simply denote by $E_r(X)$, and we say that $E_r^{s,t}(X)$ is in the u -stem if it satisfies $t - s = u$. For a continuous map $f: X \rightarrow Y$, $f_*: E_r^{s,t}(X) \rightarrow E_r^{s,t}(Y)$ denotes the homomorphism between the spectral sequences induced

from f .

Let $i_{k,n}: CP^k \rightarrow CP^n$ and $p_n: CP^n \rightarrow S^{2n}$ be the inclusion map and the collapsing map respectively. If we have a relation $(p_k)_*(x)=g$ for some element $g \in E_2^{s,t}(S^{2k}) \cong E_2^{s,t-2k}(S^0)$ and $x \in E_2^{s,t}(CP^k)$, then we denote by ${}_k g$ the element $(i_{k,n})_*(x)$ for $n \geq k$. Of course ${}_k g$ is not unique for g and k in general. We use these notations similarly for the elements of $E_2^{s,t}(Q_n)$.

Let $h_0 \in E_2^{-1}(S^0) = Z/2$ be the generator. Then, for each $i \geq 1$, h_i is a permanent cycle and represented by $2^i \in \pi_0^s(S^0)$. Let $(X_n, d) = (CP^n, 2)$ or $(\Sigma Q_n, 4)$, where $\Sigma Q_n = Q_n \wedge S^1$ denotes the reduced suspension. If we have an element ${}_n h_0^i \in E_2^{i,i+2n}(X_n)$, then it satisfies $(p_n)_*({}_n h_0^i) = h_0^i$ by definition, where $(p_n)_*: E_2^{i,i+2n}(X_n) \rightarrow E_2^{i,i+2n}(S^{2n}) = E_2^{i,i}(S^0)$. Thus, if ${}_n h_0^i$ is a permanent cycle furthermore, then we have an element y of $\pi_{2n}^s(X_n)$ with the property that $F_2(y) = \nu_2(h(y)) = i$, where $F_2(y)$ denotes the Adams filtration of y and $h(y)$ denotes the image of the stable Hurewicz homomorphism $h: \pi_{2n}^s(X_n) \rightarrow H_{2n}(X_n; Z) = Z$. Hence Theorem 1 is equivalent to the existence of an element ${}_n h_0^i \in E_\infty^{i,i+2n-1}(Q_n)$ for $i = \nu_2(a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!)$ by Theorem 3.10 which appears later on, and we will show the existence of such an element.

Let $\alpha(n)$ denote the number of 1 in the diadic expansion of n . We remark that $\nu_2(n!) = n - \alpha(n)$. Then Crabb-Knapp's theorem mentioned in §1 can be stated as follows:

Theorem 3.1. (M. C. Crabb-K. Knapp [6]) *There exists an element ${}_n h_0^{n-\alpha(n)} \in E_\infty^{n-\alpha(n), 3n-\alpha(n)}(CP^n)$.*

In §1 we defined the element $\alpha_{2n/i}$ of $\text{Im}(J)_n \subset \pi_{4n-1}^s(S^0)$. For $1 \leq i \leq 3$ we use the same notation $\alpha_{2n/i}$ for the element of $E_2(S^0)$ represented by $\alpha_{2n/i}$. Thus the element ${}_1 \alpha_{2n/i} \in E_2(CP^k)$ for $k \geq 1$ is the image of $\alpha_{2n/i} \in E_2(S^0)$ through $i_*: E_2^{s,t}(S^0) = E_2^{s,t+2}(S^2) \rightarrow E_2^{s,t+2}(CP^k)$. It is known that $\alpha_{2n/i}$ of $E_2(S^0)$ are in neighborhood of the vanishing line (cf. [13]), which we will describe below.

The vanishing theorem for $E_2(S^0)$ is given as follows:

Theorem 3.2. (J. F. Adams [3]) *$E_2^{s,t}(S^0) = 0$ for $0 < t - s < q(s)$, where $q(s) = 2s - \varepsilon$ for $\varepsilon = 1, 2$ and 3 if $s \equiv 0, 1 \pmod 4$, $s \equiv 2 \pmod 4$ and $s \equiv 3 \pmod 4$ respectively.*

The vanishing line is formed by the equality $t - s = q(s)$ when we treat the spectral sequence by writing each $E_2^{s,t}(S^0)$ in the plane with the $(t - s, s)$ coordinate. Then, by the periodicity theorem [3] and the calculations for the lower stems (cf. [19]), the structure of $E_2(S^0)$ is well investigated for some range near the vanishing line (cf. [17; Chapter 3]). Thus we have the following lemma which is a direct consequence of it.

Lemma 3.3. *Let $m \geq 1$ and $1 \leq j \leq 3$, and let $h_1 \in E_2^{-2}(S^0) = Z/2$ be the generator. (i) Concerning the $(8m - 1)$ -stem, we have $E_2^{1^{m+1-j} 12^{m-j}}(S^0) = Z/2\{\alpha_{4m+j}\}$ and*

$E_2^{i, i+8m-1}(S^0)=0$ for $i \geq 4m+1$, and $\alpha_{4m/2}$ is not divisible by h_1 .

(ii) Concerning the $(8m+1)$ -stem, we have an element α_{4m+1} such that $E_2^{4m+1, 12m+2}(S^0)=Z/2\{\alpha_{4m+1}\}$, and we have $E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(S^0)=0$ for $i \geq 4m+2$

(iii) Concerning the $(8m+2)$ -stem, $E_2^{4m+2, 12m+4}(S^0)=Z/2\{h_1\alpha_{4m+1}\}$ and $E_2^{i, i+8m+2}(S^0)=0$ for $i \geq 4m+3$.

(iv) Concerning the $(8m+3)$ -stem, we have $E_2^{4m+4-j, 12m+7-j}(S^0)=Z/2\{\alpha_{4m+2/j}\}$ and $E_2^{i, i+8m+3}(S^0)=0$ for $i \geq 4m+4$, $\alpha_{4m+2}=h_1^2\alpha_{4m+1}$, and $\alpha_{4m+2/j}$ is not divisible by h_1 for $j=2$ and 3 .

(v) Concerning other stems, we have $E_2^{i, i+8m}(S^0)=0$ for $i \geq 4m$, $E_2^{i, i+8m-2}(S^0)=0$ for $i \geq 4m-1$, and $E_2^{i, i+8m-3}(S^0)=E_2^{i, i+8m-4}(S^0)=0$ for $i \geq 4m-2$.

The cofiber $CP^{k-1} \xrightarrow{i} CP^k \xrightarrow{p} S^{2k}$ induces a long exact sequence

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \longrightarrow & E_2^{s, t}(CP^{k-1}) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & E_2^{s, t}(CP^k) & \xrightarrow{p_*} & E_2^{s, t}(S^{2k}) & \xrightarrow{\delta} \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & E_2^{s+1, t}(CP^{k-1}) & \longrightarrow & \dots & & & \end{array}$$

where δ is the connecting homomorphism (cf. [17; Chapter 2]). δ is compatible with the boundary homomorphisms, and $\delta: E_\infty^{s, t-1}(S^{2k-1}) \cong E_\infty^{s, t}(S^{2k}) \rightarrow E_\infty^{s+1, t}(CP^{k-1})$ is associated with $(\phi_k)_*: \pi_*^s(S^{2k-1}) \rightarrow \pi_*^s(CP^{k-1})$, where ϕ_k is the attaching map of the top cell of CP^k . In particular, since the stable homotopy class of the composition $S^{4k-1} \xrightarrow{\phi_{2k}} CP^{2k-1} \xrightarrow{p} S^{4k-2}$ represents the nontrivial class $\eta \in \pi_1^s(S^0) \cong Z/2$, we have the following lemma.

Lemma 3.5. *The composition $p_*\delta: E_2^{s, t-4k}(S^0) \cong E_2^{s, t}(S^{4k}) \rightarrow E_2^{s+1, t}(CP^{2k-1}) \rightarrow E_2^{s+1, t}(S^{4k-2}) \cong E_2^{s+1, t-4k+2}(S^0)$ is the multiplication by h_1 .*

By Lemmas 3.3 and 3.5 and Theorem 3.1 we have the following

Lemma 3.6. (i) For $4 \leq k \leq 4m$, $E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^k)=0$ if $i \geq 4m+1$, $=Z/2\{h_1\alpha_{4m}\}$ if $i=4m$, and $=Z/2\{h_1\alpha_{4m/2}\}$ if $i=4m-1$.

(ii) For $m \geq 1$ and $2 \leq k \leq 4m+2$, $E_2^{i, i+8m+5}(CP^k)=0$ if $i \geq 4m+3$, $=Z/2\{h_1\alpha_{4m+2/2}\}$ if $i=4m+2$, and $=Z/2\{h_1\alpha_{4m+2/3}\}$ if $i=4m+1$.

(iii) For $i \geq 2m+2 \geq 4$, $E_2^{i, i+4m}(CP^k)=0$ if $1 \leq k \leq 2m-1$, and $E_2^{i, i+4m}(CP^k)=E_\infty^{i, i+4m}(CP^k)=Z/2\{h_0^i\}$ if $k \geq 2m$.

Proof. (i) Assume that $i \geq 4m-1 \geq 3$. For $5 \leq k \leq 4m$, since $E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(S^{2k})=0$ and $E_2^{i-1, i+8m+1}(S^{2k})=0$ by Lemma 3.3, we have an isomorphism $(i_{4, k})_*: E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^4) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^k)$ by (3.4). Thus we may consider the case for CP^4 . First, to investigate CP^2 , we consider (3.4) for $k=2$. Then, since $\delta: E_2^{s, t}(S^4) \rightarrow E_2^{s+1, t}(S^2)$ multiplies each element by h_1 by Lemma 3.5, we have $\delta=0$ on $E_2^{i-1, i+8m+1}(S^4)$ by Lemma 3.3 (i). Thus we have an isomorphism $(i_{1, 2})_*: E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(S^2) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^2)$ from (3.4), because $E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(S^4)=0$ by Lemma 3.3 (v). We also have $E_2^{i+1, i+8m+1}(CP^2)=0$, because $E_2^{i+1, i+8m+1}(S^2)=E_2^{i+1, i+8m+1}(S^4)$

=0 by Lemma 3.3 (v). Next, consider (3.4) for $k=3$ to investigate CP^3 . Since $E_2^{i-1, i+8m+1}(S^6)=0$ by Lemma 3.3 (v), we have a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^2) \xrightarrow{i_*} E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^3) \xrightarrow{\hat{p}_*} E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(S^6) \longrightarrow 0.$$

By Lemma 3.3 (iv), $E_2^{4m-1, 12m}(S^6)=Z/2\{\alpha_{4m-2}\}$ and $E_2^{j, j+8m+1}(S^6)=0$ for $j \geq 4m$. Now, consider (3.4) for $k=4$ as the last step. By Lemma 3.5, the composition $\hat{p}_*\delta: E_2^{s-1, t}(S^8) \rightarrow E_2^{s, t}(CP^3) \rightarrow E_2^{s, t}(S^6)$ multiplies each element by h_1 . Therefore we have $\hat{p}_*\delta(h_1\alpha_{4m-3})=h_1^2\alpha_{4m-3}=\alpha_{4m-2}$ by Lemma 3.3 (iv). Then, using the above short exact sequence and (3.4), we have an isomorphism $i_*: E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^2) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^4)$, because $E_2^{4m-2, 12m}(S^8)=Z/2\{h_1\alpha_{4m-3}\}$ and $E_2^{j, j+8m+2}(S^8)=0$ for $j \geq 4m-1$ by Lemma 3.3 (iii). Thus we have an isomorphism $i_*: E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(S^2) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+8m+1}(CP^4)$, and we have the desired result by Lemma 3.3 (i).

(ii) Assume that $i \geq 4m+1 \geq 5$. Then, considering similarly as (i), we have an isomorphism $i_*: E_2^{i, i+8m+5}(CP^2) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+8m+5}(CP^k)$ for $3 \leq k \leq 4m+2$. Thus, we may consider the case for CP^2 , and to prove this case we consider (3.4) for $k=2$. Then, concerning the boundary δ in the sequence, we have $\delta(\alpha_{4m+1})=h_1\alpha_{4m+1} \neq 0$ and $\delta(h_1\alpha_{4m+1})=\alpha_{4m+2}$ by Lemma 3.3 (iii), (iv) and Lemma 3.5, where $\alpha_{4m+1} \in E_2^{4m+1, 12m+6}(S^4)$. Since $\alpha_{4m+2/2}$ and $\alpha_{4m+2/3}$ are not divisible by h_1 by Lemma 3.3 (iv), we have an isomorphism $i_*: E_2^{i, i+8m+5}(S^2)/(\alpha_{4m+2}) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+8m+5}(CP^2)$. Thus we have the desired result by Lemma 3.3 (iv).

(iii) Assume that $i \geq 2m+2 \geq 4$. Then we have that $i_*: E_2^{i, i+4m}(CP^{k-1}) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+4m}(CP^k)$ is an isomorphism if $k \neq 2m$ and $k \geq 2$, by using Lemma 3.3 similarly as in (i) and (ii). Thus we have the first half of the desired result, because $E_2^{i, i+4m}(CP^1)=0$. Then $p_*: E_2^{i, i+4m}(CP^{2m}) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+4m}(S^{4m}) \cong Z/2\{h_0^i\}$ is injective. But by Theorem 3.1 we have an element ${}_m h_0^i$ which is a permanent cycle mapped by p_* to h_0^i by definition. Thus we have $E_2^{i, i+4m}(CP^{2m})=E_\infty^{i, i+4m}(CP^{2m})=Z/2\{{}_m h_0^i\}$. Since $(i_{2m, k})_*: E_r^{i, i+4m}(CP^{2m}) \rightarrow E_r^{i, i+4m}(CP^k)$ is an isomorphism for $k \geq 2m$ and $r \geq 2$, we have the latter half of the desired result. Q. E. D.

Proposition 3.7. *Let $m \geq 1$. Then we have the following:*

- (i) ${}_1\alpha_{4m} \neq 0$ in $E_{\alpha(m)}^{4m, 12m+1}(CP^{4m+1})$,
- (ii) ${}_1\alpha_{4m+2/2} \neq 0$ in $E_{\alpha(m)+1}^{4m+2, 12m+7}(CP^{4m+3})$,

where $\alpha(m)$ denotes the number of 1 in the diadic expansion of m .

Proof. To treat both cases (i) and (ii), we denote by β the element ${}_1\alpha_{4m}$ for (i) and ${}_1\alpha_{4m+2/2}$ for (ii) respectively, and by l the integer $4m+1$ for (i) and $4m+3$ for (ii) respectively. First we must show that $\beta \neq 0$ in $E_2^{l-1, 3l-1}(CP^l)$. By (3.4), we have the exact sequence

$$E_2^{s, t}(CP^l) \xrightarrow{\hat{p}_*} E_2^{s, t}(S^{2l}) \xrightarrow{\delta} E_2^{s+1, t}(CP^{l-1}) \xrightarrow{i_*} E_2^{s+1, t}(CP^l)$$

for $s=l-2$ and $t=3l-2$. By Theorem 3.1 we have an element ${}_l h_0^{l-\alpha(l)} \in$

$E_2^{l-\alpha(l), 3l-\alpha(l)}(CP^l)$, and so $h_0^{l-2} \in \text{Im } p_*$ because $\alpha(l) \geq 2$. Thus i_* is injective, and we have $\beta \neq 0$ in $E_2(CP^l)$ by Lemma 3.6. Since $d_r(\beta) = 0$ for any $r \geq 2$ by Lemma 3.6 (iii), we have $\beta \in E_{\alpha(l)}^{l-1, 3l-1}(CP^l)$. Assume that $\beta = 0$ in $E_{\alpha(l)-1}(CP^l)$ for some l with $\alpha(l) \geq 4$. Then there is an integer r with $2 \leq r \leq \alpha(l) - 2$ and an element $y \in E_r^{l-r-1, 3l-r-1}(CP^l)$ which satisfy that $d_r(y) = \beta \neq 0$. By Theorem 3.1 we have an element ${}_l h_0^{l-r-1} \in E_{\infty}(CP^l)$, and we have that $i_*: E_r^{l, i+2l-1}(CP^{l-1}) \rightarrow E_r^{l, i+2l-1}(CP^l)$ is an isomorphism for $i \geq l - \alpha(l) + r - 1$. Then we have that y or $y - {}_l h_0^{l-r-1}$ is in the image of $i_*: E_r(CP^{l-1}) \rightarrow E_r(CP^l)$, that is, it is equal to $i_*(z)$ for some element $z \in E_r^{l-r-1, 3l-r-1}(CP^{l-1})$. Then we have $i_* d_r(z) = d_r(y) = \beta$. Since $E_r^{l-1, 3l-2}(CP^{l-1}) = Z/2\{\beta'\}$ by Lemma 3.6 (i) and (ii), we have $d_r(z) = \beta'$, where β' denotes the element ${}_1\alpha_{l-1}$ or ${}_1\alpha_{l-1/2}$ of $E_{\alpha(l)-1}(CP^{l-1})$ which satisfies $i_*(\beta') = \beta$. This contradicts Proposition 2.1, because β' is represented by $i_*(\alpha) \neq 0$ of $\pi_*^s(CP^{l-1})$, where $\alpha = \alpha_{4m} \in \text{Im}(J)_{2m}$ for (i) and $\alpha = \alpha_{4m+2/2} \in \text{Im}(J)_{2m+1}$ for (ii). Thus we have $\beta \neq 0$ in $E_{\alpha(l)-1}(CP^l)$, and we have completed the proof. Q. E. D.

Proposition 3.8. *Let k be an odd integer with $k \geq 3$. Then we have an element ${}_k h_0^{k-\alpha(k)-1} \in E_2^{k-\alpha(k)-1, 3k-\alpha(k)-1}(CP^k)$ satisfying the following property:*

- (i) $h_0 \cdot {}_k h_0^{k-\alpha(k)-1} \in E_{\infty}(CP^k)$.
- (ii) ${}_k h_0^{k-\alpha(k)-1} \in E_{\alpha(k)}(CP^k)$ and $d_{\alpha(k)}({}_k h_0^{k-\alpha(k)-1}) = {}_1\alpha_{k-1}$ if $k \equiv 1 \pmod 4$ and $= {}_1\alpha_{k-1/2}$ if $k \equiv 3 \pmod 4$.

Proof. We prove by induction on $\alpha(k)$. First, we prove the case $\alpha(k) = 2$. Consider the exact sequence (3.4), and let $\delta: E_2^{s, t-2k}(S^0) \cong E_2^{s, t}(S^{2k}) \rightarrow E_2^{s+1, t}(CP^{k-1})$ be the boundary homomorphism in it. If there is not any element ${}_k h_0^{k-3}$ in $E_2^{k-3, 3k-3}(CP^k)$, then by Lemma 3.6 we have $\delta(h_0^{k-3}) = {}_1\alpha_{4m/2}$ and ${}_1\alpha_{4m+2/3}$ if $k = 4m+1$ and $4m+3$ respectively. Then $\delta(h_0^{k-2}) \neq 0$ by Lemma 3.6. But this contradicts Theorem 3.1, and thus we have an element ${}_k h_0^{k-3}$ satisfying (i). Then this element also satisfies (ii). In fact, if it does not satisfy (ii), then it is a permanent cycle by Lemma 3.6 and it contradicts Theorem 3.1. Now we assume that $\alpha(k) = u \geq 3$ and that we have a desired element for the case $\alpha(k) \leq u-1$. Let t be the integer such that $2^t \leq k \leq 2^{t+1} - 1$, and $l = k - 2^t$. Then $\alpha(l) = \alpha(k) - 1$, and so by the inductive hypothesis we have an element ${}_l h_0^{l-\alpha(k)}$ of $E_{\alpha(k)-1}(CP^l)$ with the property (i) and (ii) for l . Let $s = 2^t$. Then by Theorem 3.1 we have ${}_s h_0^{s-1} \in E_{\infty}(CP^s)$. Let X be the product ${}_s h_0^{s-1} \cdot {}_l h_0^{l-\alpha(k)} \in E_{\alpha(k)-1}(CP^k)$ by the H -space structure of CP^{∞} . Then, X is an element ${}_k h_0^{k-\alpha(k)-1}$ since the binomial coefficient $\binom{k}{s} \equiv 1 \pmod 2$, and we have $h_0 \cdot X \in E_{\infty}(CP^k)$. If $d_{\alpha(k)-1}(X) \neq 0$, then by Lemma 3.6 it is equal to ${}_1\alpha_{k-1/2}$ if $k \equiv 1 \pmod 4$ and ${}_1\alpha_{k-1/3}$ if $k \equiv 3 \pmod 4$. Then $d_{\alpha(k)-1}(h_0 \cdot X) \neq 0$ by Proposition 3.7, but this cannot occur. Thus $X \in E_{\alpha(k)}(CP^k)$ and satisfies (i). If X does not satisfy (ii), then we have $X \in E_{\infty}(CP^k)$. In fact, since, for $i \geq k$, $E_2^{i, i+2k-1}(CP^{k-1}) = 0$ by Lemma 3.6 and

$i_*: E_2^{i, i+2k-1}(CP^{k-1}) \rightarrow E_2^{i, i+2k-1}(CP^k)$ is surjective, we have $d_r X \in E_r^{j+r, j+r+2k-1}(CP^k) = 0$ for $r \geq \alpha(k)+1$, where $j = k - \alpha(k) - 1$. Then we have an element $x \in \pi_{2k}^s(CP^k)$ such that $h(x) = 2^{k-\alpha(k)-1}c$ for some odd integer c , where $h: \pi_{2k}^s(CP^k) \rightarrow H_{2k}(CP^k; Z) = Z$ is the stable Hurewicz homomorphism. But this contradicts the well known fact that the image of h is generated by $k!$ and $\nu_2(k!) = k - \alpha(k)$. Thus X satisfies (ii), and we have completed the proof.

Q. E. D.

Next we consider the mod 2 Adams spectral sequence for $\pi_*^s(Q_n)$. The following lemma can be proved similarly as Lemma 3.6.

Lemma 3.9. (i) For an odd integer $n \geq 3$, $E_2^{i, i+4n-2}(Q_n) = 0$ if $i \geq 2n-1$, and $= Z/2\{\alpha_{2(n-1)}\}$ if $i = 2(n-1)$.

(ii) For an even integer $n \geq 2$, $E_2^{i, i+4n-2}(Q_n) = 0$ if $i \geq 2n$, and $= Z/2\{\alpha_{2(n-1)}\}$ if $i = 2n-1$.

In [9] B. Harris shows that the homotopy group $\pi_{4n-2}(Sp(n-1))$ of the symplectic group is isomorphic to the cyclic group of order $a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!$, which is a consequence of a result of R. Bott [5]. Hence the degree of $q_*: \pi_{4n-1}(Sp(n)) \rightarrow \pi_{4n-1}(Sp(n)/Sp(n-1)) \cong Z$ is equal to $a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!$, where q is the canonical quotient map. Let $\theta: \pi_{4n-1}(Sp(n)) \rightarrow \pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)$ be the homomorphism given by I. M. James (cf. [11]), and $p: Q_n \rightarrow Q_n/Q_{n-1} \approx S^{4n-1}$ denote the collapsing map. Then θ is an isomorphism onto the free part of $\pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)$, and q_* is identified with the composition $p_* \circ \theta: \pi_{4n-1}(Sp(n)) \rightarrow \pi_{4n-1}(S^{4n-1})$. Thus we have the following theorem which is also shown by several authors (cf. [21], [14], [15]).

Theorem 3.10. Let $h: \pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n) \rightarrow H_{4n-1}(Q_n; Z) = Z$ be the stable Hurewicz homomorphism. Then an element x of $\pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)$ is a generator of the free part if and only if it satisfies $h(x) = a(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!$, where $a(i) = 1$ for even i and $= 2$ for odd i .

Let $q: \Sigma CP_{\infty}^{\infty} \rightarrow Q_{\infty}$ be the map obtained by the symplectification (cf. [20]), and $q: \Sigma CP^{2n-1} \rightarrow Q_n$ the restriction of it by the cellular approximation. Then $q^*: H^*(Q_n; Z) \rightarrow H^{*-1}(CP^{2n-1}; Z)$ is the map of degree 2, that is, it maps a base of $H^{4j-1}(Q_n; Z) \cong Z$ to $\pm 2b$ for a base $b \in H^{4j-2}(CP^{2n-1}; Z) \cong Z$ for each $1 \leq j \leq n$. Thus q raises the mod 2 Adams filtration by 1, and we have a map $q_*: E_r^{s, t}(CP^{2n-1}) \rightarrow E_r^{s+1, t+2}(Q_n)$ between the spectral sequences.

For $t = 2n-1 - \alpha(2n-1) = 2n - \alpha(n-1)$ and $n \geq 3$, let ${}_{2n-1}h_0^{t-1} \in E_{\alpha(n-1)+1}^{t-1, t+4n-3}(CP^{2n-1})$ be the element in Proposition 3.8. Then $q_*({}_{2n-1}h_0^{t-1})$ is an element ${}_n h_0^t \in E_{\alpha(n-1)+1}^{t, t+4n-1}(Q_n)$, and we have

Lemma 3.11. Let $t = 2n - \alpha(n-1)$. Then we have the following.

- (i) For an odd integer $n \geq 3$, ${}_n h_0^t \in E_\infty(Q_n)$.
- (ii) For an even integer $n \geq 2$, $d_{\alpha(n-1)+1}({}_n h_0^t) = {}_1 \alpha_{2(n-1)}$.

Proof. For an odd $n \geq 3$, since $d_r({}_n h_0^t) \in E_r^{t+r, t+r+4n-2}(Q_n) = 0$ for $r \geq \alpha(n-1) + 1$ by Lemma 3.9 (i), we have (i). For even n , if (ii) is not true, then $d_{\alpha(n-1)+1}({}_n h_0^t) = 0$ and ${}_n h_0^t \in E_\infty(Q_n)$ by Lemma 3.9 (ii). Then there exists an element x of $\pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)$ which satisfies $2^t | h(x)$ but $2^{t+1} \nmid h(x)$, where h is the stable Hurewicz homomorphism. But it contradicts Theorem 3.10, because $t = \nu_2((2n-1)!)$. Thus we have the desired result. Q. E. D.

Proof of Theorem 1. We assume $n \geq 2$, since the assertion is clear for $n=1$. Let $y_n \in E_2(Q_n)$ denote ${}_n h_0^t$ for odd $n \geq 3$ and ${}_n h_0^{t+1}$ for even $n \geq 2$, where $t = 2n - \alpha(n-1)$. Then y_n is an element of $E_\infty(Q_n)$ by Lemmas 3.9 and 3.11. Let $x_n \in \pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)$ be an element which represents y_n . Then the mod 2 Adams filtration of x_n is equal to $\nu_2(\alpha(n-1) \cdot (2n-1)!)$, and x_n is a generator of the free part by Theorem 3.10. Thus we have the desired result.

Remark 3.8. For even n , $q_*(\sigma^{2n-1})$ is a generator of the free part of $\pi_{4n-1}^s(Q_n)$ by Theorem 3.10, where $\sigma^{2n-1} \in \pi_{4n-2}^s(CP^\infty)$ is the element mentioned in §1. Thus for even n Theorem 1 is a corollary of Crabb-Knapp's theorem [6].

§ 4. Proof of Theorems 2 and 3

Theorem 2 (i)(a) and (ii)(b) and Theorem 3 (i) follow from Proposition 2.1. Theorem 2 (ii)(a) follows from Lemma 3.6 (ii). The equation $i_*(\alpha_{4m}) = 0$ and $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/2}) = 0$ in Theorem 2 (i)(b) and (ii)(c) respectively follow from Proposition 3.8 (ii). Also the equation $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2}) = 0$ in Theorem 3 (ii) follows from Lemma 3.11 (ii).

Let W_n be the stunted projective space CP^n/S^2 or Q_n/S^3 , and $u=2n$ or $4n-1$ for the respective case. When $W_n = CP^n/S^2$ (resp. Q_n/S^3), we denote by A_n (resp. B_n) the value $\nu_2(|\text{Coker } h|)$, where $|\text{Coker } h|$ is the order of the cokernel of the stable Hurewicz homomorphism $h : \pi_u^s(W_n) \rightarrow H_u(W_n; Z)$. By [10; Theorem II and Corollary III], we have

- Proposition 4.1.** (i) $A_{2m+1} = \nu_2((2m+1)!)-1$.
 (ii) $B_{2m+1} = \nu_2((4m+1)!)$, and $B_{2m} = \nu_2((4m-1)!)-2$.

Consider the following diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & \pi_{2k}^s(S^{2k}) & & & \\
 & & & \uparrow p_* & & & \\
 \pi_{2k}^s(CP^k) & \xrightarrow{q_*} & \pi_{2k}^s(CP^k/S^2) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_{2k-1}^s(S^2) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & \pi_{2k-1}^s(CP^k) \\
 & & \uparrow i_* & & \parallel & & \uparrow i_* \\
 \pi_{2k}^s(CP^{k-1}/S^2) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & \pi_{2k-1}^s(S^2) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & \pi_{2k-1}^s(CP^{k-1}), & &
 \end{array}$$

where the horizontal and vertical sequences are derived from the cofiber sequences. From this diagram and Proposition 4.1, we have

(4.2) $i_*\pi_{2k}^s(CP^{k-1}/S^2)$ is the torsion part of $\pi_{2k}^s(CP^k/S^2)$, and

(4.3) $q_*x=2x_1+w$, where x and x_1 are the generators of the free parts of $\pi_{2k}^s(CP^k)$ and $\pi_{2k}^s(CP^k/S^2)$ respectively and w is some torsion element of $\pi_{2k}^s(CP^k/S^2)$.

We complete the proof of Theorem 2 by the following lemma.

Lemma 4.4. $i_*(\alpha_{4n/2}) \neq 0$ in $\pi_{8n+1}^s(CP^{4n+1})$ and $i_*(\alpha_{4n+2/3}) \neq 0$ in $\pi_{8n+5}^s(CP^{4n+3})$.

Proof. Let γ denote $\alpha_{4n/2}$ or $\alpha_{4n+2/3}$ for $k=4n+1$ or $4n+3$ respectively, and assume that $i_*\gamma=0$ in $\pi_{2k-1}^s(CP^k)$. Then in the above diagram we have an element $y \in \pi_{2k}^s(CP^k/S^2)$ satisfying $\partial y = \gamma$. Then we can put $y = tx_1 + v$ for some integer t and some torsion element v . By (4.3) we have $2\gamma = 2\partial(tx_1 + v) = \partial(tq_*(x) + 2v - tw) = \partial(2v - tw)$, and so $i_*(2\gamma) = 0$ in $\pi_{2k-1}^s(CP^{k-1})$ by (4.2). But 2γ is the non zero element of $\text{Im}(J)$, and $i_*(2\gamma) \neq 0$ by Proposition 2.1. Thus we have a contradiction, and we conclude $i_*\gamma \neq 0$. Q. E. D.

Similarly, by using Propositions 2.1 and 4.1 (ii), and by considering the analogous diagram for Q_n , we have $i_*(\alpha_{4m}) \neq 0$ in $\pi_{8m+2}^s(Q_{2m+1})$ and $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/3}) \neq 0$ in $\pi_{8m+6}^s(Q_{2m+2})$. Thus we complete the proof of Theorem 3.

Remark. We have not determined whether $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/2}) = 0$ or $\neq 0$ in $\pi_{8m+6}^s(Q_{2m+2})$. By using [10; Theorem I], we can prove that $i_*(\alpha_{4m+2/2} + \beta) = 0$ for an element β which is not in $\text{Im}(J)$ and the order of which is less than or equal to 4.

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