# ON THE PETERSON HIT PROBLEM OF FIVE VARIABLES AND ITS APPLICATIONS TO THE FIFTH SINGER TRANSFER

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#### Abstract

We study the Peterson hit problem of finding a minimal set of generators for the polynomial algebra  $P_k := \mathbb{F}_2[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k]$  as a module over the mod-2 Steenrod algebra,  $\mathcal{A}$ . In this paper, we explicitly determine a minimal set of  $\mathcal{A}$ -generators with k=5 in degree 15. Using this results we show that the fifth Singer transfer is an isomorphism in this degree.

# 1 Introduction and statement of results

Let  $V_k$  be an elementary abelian 2-group of rank k. Denote by  $BV_k$  the classifying space of  $V_k$ . It may be thought of as the product of k copies of the real projective space  $\mathbb{RP}^{\infty}$ . Then

$$P_k := H^*(BV_k) \cong \mathbb{F}_2[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k],$$

a polynomial algebra on k generators  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k$ , each of degree 1. Here the cohomology is taken with coefficients in the prime field  $\mathbb{F}_2$  of two elements.

Being the cohomology of a space,  $P_k$  is a module over the mod 2 Steenrod algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ . The action of  $\mathcal{A}$  on  $P_k$  can explicitly be given by the formula

$$Sq^{i}(x_{j}) = \begin{cases} x_{j}, & i = 0, \\ x_{j}^{2}, & i = 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

**Key words:** Steenrod squares, Hit problem, Singer transfer. AMS Mathematics Subject Classification: Primary 55S10; 55S05, 55T15. and subject to the Cartan formula  $Sq^n(fg) = \sum_{i=0}^n Sq^i(f)Sq^{n-i}(g)$ , for  $f, g \in P_k$  (see Steenrod-Epstein [22]).

A polynomial f in  $P_k$  is called hit if it can be written as a finite sum  $f = \sum_{i>0} Sq^i(f_i)$  for some polynomials  $f_i$ . That means f belongs to  $\mathcal{A}^+P_k$ , where  $\mathcal{A}^+$  denotes the augmentation ideal in  $\mathcal{A}$ . We are interested in the hit problem, set up by F. Peterson, of finding a minimal set of generators for the polynomial algebra  $P_k$  as a module over the Steenrod algebra. In other words, we want to find a basis of the  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k := QP_k$ .

Let  $GL_k = GL_k(\mathbb{F}_2)$  be the general linear group over the field  $\mathbb{F}_2$ . This group acts naturally on  $P_k$  by matrix substitution. Since the two actions of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $GL_k$  upon  $P_k$  commute with each other, there is an action of  $GL_k$  on  $QP_k$ . The subspace of degree n homogeneous polynomials  $(P_k)_n$  and its quotient  $(QP_k)_n$  are  $GL_k$ -subspaces of the spaces  $P_k$  and  $QP_k$  respectively.

The hit problem was first studied by Peterson [15], Wood [26], Singer [20], and Priddy [16], who showed its relationship to several classical problems respectively in cobordism theory, modular representation theory, Adams spectral sequence for the stable homotopy of spheres, and stable homotopy type of classifying spaces of finite groups. The tensor product  $QP_k$  was explicitly calculated by Peterson [15] for k = 1, 2, by Kameko [10] for k = 3, and recently by us [23] for k = 4.

Many authors was then investigated the hit problem. (See Boardman [1], Bruner-Hà-Hung [2], Crabb-Hubbuck [5], Hà [6], Hung [7, 8], Kameko [10, 11], Nam [13, 14], Repka-Selick [18], Singer [21], Silverman [19], Wood [26, 27] and others.)

One of our main tools for studying the hit problem is the so-called Kameko squaring operation

$$Sq^0: \mathbb{F}_2 \underset{GL_k}{\otimes} PH_*(BV_k) \to \mathbb{F}_2 \underset{GL_k}{\otimes} PH_*(BV_k).$$

Here  $H_*(BV_k)$  is homology with  $\mathbb{F}_2$  coefficients, and  $PH_*(BV_k)$  denotes the primitive subspace consisting of all elements in the space  $H_*(BV_k)$ , which are annihilated by every positive-degree operation in the mod 2 Steenrod algebra; therefore,  $\mathbb{F}_2 \underset{GL_k}{\otimes} PH_*(BV_k)$  is dual to  $QP_k^{GL_k}$ . The dual of the Kameko squar-

ing is the homomorphism  $Sq_*^0: QP_k^{GL_k} \to QP_k^{GL_k}$ . This homomorphism is given by the following  $GL_k$ -homomorphism  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0: QP_k \to QP_k$ . The latter is given by the  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -linear map, also denoted by  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0: P_k \to P_k$ , given by

$$\widetilde{Sq}_*^0(x) = \begin{cases} y, & \text{if } x = x_1 x_2 \dots x_k y^2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

for any monomial  $x \in P_k$ . Note that  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0$  is not an  $\mathcal{A}$ -homomorphism. However,  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0 Sq^{2t} = Sq^t \widetilde{Sq}_*^0$  and  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0 Sq^{2t+1} = 0$ , for any nonnegative integer t.

The Kameko squaring operation commutes with the classical squaring operation on the cohomology of the Steenrod algebra through the Singer transfer

$$\operatorname{Tr}_k: \mathbb{F}_2 \underset{GL_k}{\otimes} PH_d(BV_k) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{k,k+d}(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2).$$

Boardman [1] used this fact to show that  $Tr_3$  is an isomorphism. Bruner-Hà-Hung [2] applied it to prove that  $Tr_4$  does not detect any element in the usual family  $\{g_i\}_{i>0}$  of  $\operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^4(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2)$ . Recently, Hung and his collaborators have completely determined the image of the fourth Singer transfer  $Tr_4$  (in [2], [8], [6], [14], [9]). Singer showed in [20] that  $Tr_5$  is not an epimorphism in degree 9. In [17], Quỳnh proved that  $Tr_5$  is also not an epimorphism in degree 11. The Singer transfer was also investigated by Chon-Hà [3, 4].

In this paper, we explicitly determine all the admissible monomials (see Section 2) of  $P_5$  in degree 15. Using this results, we prove that the fifth Singer transfer is an isomorphism in this degree. We have

**Theorem 1.1.** There exist exactly 432 admissible monomials of degree 15 in  $P_5$ . Consequently dim $(QP_5)_{15} = 432$ .

By using Theorem 1.1, we compute  $(QP_5)_{15}^{GL_5}$ 

**Theorem 1.2.**  $(QP_5)_{15}^{GL_5}$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space of dimension 2 with a basis consisting of the 2 classes represented by the following polynomials:

$$\begin{split} p &= x_1^{15} + x_2^{15} + x_3^{15} + x_4^{15} + x_5^{15} + x_1 x_2^{14} + x_1 x_3^{14} + x_1 x_4^{14} + x_1 x_5^{14} + x_2 x_3^{14} \\ &+ x_2 x_4^{14} + x_2 x_5^{14} + x_3 x_4^{14} + x_3 x_5^{14} + x_4 x_5^{14} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{12} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_4^{12} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_5^{12} \\ &+ x_1 x_3^{2} x_4^{12} + x_1 x_3^{2} x_5^{12} + x_1 x_4^{2} x_5^{12} + x_2 x_3^{2} x_4^{12} + x_2 x_3^{2} x_5^{12} + x_2 x_4^{2} x_5^{12} + x_3 x_4^{2} x_5^{12} \\ &+ x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_4^{8} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_5^{8} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_4^{4} x_5^{8} + x_1 x_3^{2} x_4^{4} x_5^{8} + x_2 x_3^{2} x_4^{4} x_5^{8} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_4^{4} x_5^{4} \\ &+ x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_4^{8} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_5^{8} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_4^{4} x_5^{8} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_4^{8} + x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_4^{4} x_5^{4} \\ &+ x_1 x_2^{2} x_3^{4} x_4^{6} + x_1 x_2 x_3^{6} x_4 x_5^{6} + x_1 x_2 x_3^{6} x_4^{6} x_5 + x_1 x_2^{6} x_3^{3} x_4 x_5^{6} + x_1 x_2^{6} x_3^{3} x_4^{4} x_5^{6} + x_1^{6} x_3^{6} x_4^{6} x_5^{6} + x_1^{$$

Using Theorem 1.2, we prove the following which was proved in Hung [8] by using computer computation.

Theorem 1.3 (Hung [8]). The fifth Singer transfer

$$\operatorname{Tr}_5: \mathbb{F}_2 \underset{GL5}{\otimes} PH_{15}(BV_5) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{5,20}(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2)$$

is an isomorphism.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we recall some needed information on the admissible monomials in  $P_k$  and Singer criterion on the hit monomials. We prove Theorem 1.1 in Section 3 by explicitly determine all the admissible monomials of degree 15. Theorems 1.2 and 1.3 will be proved in Sections 4.

### 2 Preliminaries

In this section, we recall some results in Kameko [10] and Singer [21] which will be used in the next sections.

**Notation 2.1.** Let  $\alpha_i(a)$  denote the *i*-th coefficient in dyadic expansion of a nonnegative integer a. That means  $a = \alpha_0(a)2^0 + \alpha_1(a)2^1 + \alpha_2(a)2^2 + \ldots$ , for  $\alpha_i(a) = 0, 1$  and  $i \ge 0$ .

Let  $x = x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \dots x_k^{a_k} \in P_k$ . Set  $I_i(x) = \{j \in \mathbb{N}_k : \alpha_i(a_j) = 0\}$ , for  $i \ge 0$ . Then we have

$$x = \prod_{i \ge 0} X_{I_i(x)}^{2^i}.$$

For a polynomial f in  $P_k$ , we denote by [f] the class in  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k$  represented by f. For a subset  $S \subset P_k$ , we denote

$$[S] = \{ [f] : f \in S \} \subset QP_k.$$

**Definition 2.2.** For a monomial  $x = x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \dots x_k^{a_k} \in P_k$ , we define two sequences associated with x by

$$\omega(x) = (\omega_1(x), \omega_2(x), \dots, \omega_i(x), \dots),$$
  
$$\sigma(x) = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k),$$

where  $\omega_i(x) = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq k} \alpha_{i-1}(a_j) = \deg X_{I_{i-1}(x)}, \ i \geqslant 1.$ 

The sequence  $\omega(x)$  is called the weight vector of x (see Wood [27]). The weight vectors and the sigma vectors can be ordered by the left lexicographical order.

Let  $\omega = (\omega_1, \omega_2, \ldots, \omega_i, \ldots)$  be a sequence of nonnegative integers such that  $\omega_i = 0$  for  $i \gg 0$ . Define  $\deg \omega = \sum_{i>0} 2^{i-1}\omega_i$ . Denote by  $P_k(\omega)$  the subspace of  $P_k$  spanned by all monomials y such that  $\deg y = \deg \omega, \omega(y) \leqslant \omega$  and  $P_k^-(\omega)$  the subspace of  $P_k$  spanned by all monomials  $y \in P_k(\omega)$  such that  $\omega(y) < \omega$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{A}_s^+$  the subspace of  $\mathcal{A}$  spanned by all  $Sq^j$  with  $1 \leqslant j < 2^s$ . Define

$$QP_k(\omega) = P_k(\omega)/((\mathcal{A}^+P_k \cap P_k(\omega)) + P_k^-(\omega)).$$

Then we have

$$(QP_k)_n = \bigoplus_{\deg \omega = n} QP_k(\omega).$$

**Definition 2.3.** Let x be a monomial and f, g two homogeneous polynomials of the same degree in  $P_k$ . We define  $f \equiv g$  if and only if  $f - g \in A^+P_k$ . If  $f \equiv 0$  then f is called hit.

We recall some relations on the action of the Steenrod squares on  $P_k$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** Let f be a homogeneous polynomial in  $P_k$ .

- i) If  $i > \deg f$  then  $Sq^i(f) = 0$ . If  $i = \deg f$  then  $Sq^i(f) = f^2$ . ii) If i is not divisible by  $2^s$  then  $Sq^i(f^{2^s}) = 0$  while  $Sq^{r2^s}(f^{2^s}) = (Sq^r(f))^{2^s}$ .

**Definition 2.5.** Let x, y be monomials of the same degree in  $P_k$ . We say that x < y if and only if one of the following holds

- i)  $\omega(x) < \omega(y)$ ;
- ii)  $\omega(x) = \omega(y)$  and  $\sigma(x) < \sigma(y)$ .

**Definition 2.6.** A monomial x is said to be inadmissible if there exist monomials  $y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_t$  such that  $y_j < x$  for  $j = 1, 2, \ldots, t$  and  $x \equiv y_1 + y_2 + \ldots + y_t$ . A monomial x is said to be admissible if it is not inadmissible.

Obviously, the set of all the admissible monomials of degree n in  $P_k$  is a minimal set of  $\mathcal{A}$ -generators for  $P_k$  in degree n.

The following theorem is a modification of a result in [10].

Theorem 2.7 (Kameko [10], Sum [24]). Let x, w be monomials in  $P_k$ such that  $\omega_i(x) = 0$  for i > r > 0. If w is inadmissible, then  $xw^{2'}$  is also in admissible.

**Proposition 2.8** ([24]). Let x be an admissible monomial in  $P_k$ . Then we

- i) If there is an index  $i_0$  such that  $\omega_{i_0}(x) = 0$ , then  $\omega_i(x) = 0$  for all  $i > i_0$ .
- ii) If there is an index  $i_0$  such that  $\omega_{i_0}(x) < k$ , then  $\omega_i(x) < k$  for all  $i > i_0$ .

Now, we recall a result of Singer [21] on the hit monomials in  $P_k$ .

**Definition 2.9.** A monomial  $z = x_1^{b_1} x_2^{b_2} \dots x_k^{b_k}$  is called a spike if  $b_j = 2^{s_j} - 1$ for  $s_j$  a nonnegative integer and j = 1, 2, ..., k. If z is a spike with  $s_1 > s_2 >$  $\ldots > s_{r-1} \geqslant s_r > 0$  and  $s_j = 0$  for j > r, then it is called a minimal spike.

The following is a criterion for the hit monomials in  $P_k$ .

**Theorem 2.10 (Singer [21]).** Suppose  $x \in P_k$  is a monomial of degree n, where  $\mu(n) \leq k$ . Let z be the minimal spike of degree n. If  $\omega(x) < \omega(z)$  then x is hit.

For latter use, we set

$$P_k^0 = \langle \{x = x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \dots x_k^{a_k} ; a_1 a_2 \dots a_k = 0\} \rangle,$$
  

$$P_k^+ = \langle \{x = x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \dots x_k^{a_k} ; a_1 a_2 \dots a_k > 0\} \rangle.$$

It is easy to see that  $P_k^0$  and  $P_k^+$  are the  $\mathcal{A}$ -submodules of  $P_k$ . Furthermore, we have the following.

**Proposition 2.11.** We have a direct summand decomposition of the  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector spaces

$$QP_k = QP_k^0 \oplus QP_k^+$$
.

Here  $QP_k^0 = P_k^0/\mathcal{A}^+.P_k^0$  and  $QP_k^+ = P_k^+/\mathcal{A}^+.P_k^+$ .

For  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , define the homomorphism  $f_i = f_{k,i} : P_{k-1} \to P_k$  of algebras by substituting

$$f_i(x_j) = \begin{cases} x_j, & \text{if } 1 \leqslant j < i, \\ x_{j+1}, & \text{if } i \leqslant j < k. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that

**Proposition 2.12.** If  $B_{k-1}(n)$  is the set of all admissible monomials of degree n in  $P_{k-1}$ , then  $f(B_{k-1}(n)) := \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq k} f_i(B_{k-1}(n))$  is the set of all admissible monomials of degree n in  $P_k^0$ .

For  $1 \leqslant i \leqslant k$ , define  $\varphi_i: QP_k \to QP_k$ , the homomorphism induced by the  $\mathcal{A}$ -homomorphism  $\overline{\varphi}_i: P_k \to P_k$ , which is determined by  $\overline{\varphi}_1(x_1) = x_1 + x_2$ ,  $\overline{\varphi}_1(x_j) = x_j$  for j > 1, and  $\overline{\varphi}_i(x_i) = x_{i-1}, \overline{\varphi}_i(x_{i-1}) = x_i, \overline{\varphi}_i(x_j) = x_j$  for  $j \neq i, i-1, \ 1 < i \leqslant k$ . Note that the general linear group  $GL_k$  is generated by  $\overline{\varphi}_i, \ 0 \leqslant i \leqslant k$  and the symmetric group  $\Sigma_k$  is generated by  $\overline{\varphi}_i, \ 1 < i \leqslant k$ .

For any  $I = (i_0, i_1, \dots, i_r)$ ,  $0 < i_0 < i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq k$ ,  $0 \leq r < k$ , we define the homomorphism  $p_I : P_k \to P_{k-1}$  of algebras by substituting

$$p_I(x_j) = \begin{cases} x_j, & \text{if } 1 \leq j < i_0, \\ \sum_{1 \leq s \leq r} x_{i_s - 1}, & \text{if } j = i_0, \\ x_{j - 1}, & \text{if } i_0 < j \leq k. \end{cases}$$

Then  $p_I$  is a homomorphism of  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules. In particular, for I = (i), we have  $p_{(i)}(x_i) = 0$ .

# 3 Proof of Theorem 1.1

In this section, we explicitly determine all the admissible monomials of degree 15.

Consider the Kameko homomorphism  $(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5: (QP_5)_{15} \to (QP_5)_5$ . Since this homomorphism is an epimorphism, we have

$$(QP_5)_{15} \cong \operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5 \oplus (QP_5)_5 = ((QP_5^0)_{15} \oplus ((QP_5^+)_{15} \cap \operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5) \oplus (QP_5)_5.$$

By Proposition 2.12, to compute  $(QP_5^0)_{15}$  we need to compute

$$(QP_4)_{15} = (QP_4)_{15}^0 \oplus (QP_4)_{15}^+.$$

Using Kameko's results in [10], we have

$$B_3(15) = \{x_1^{15}, x_2^{15}, x_3^{15}, x_1 x_2^{14}, x_1 x_3^{14}, x_2 x_3^{14}, x_1 x_2^2 x_3^{12}, x_1 x_2^7 x_3^7, x_1^7 x_2 x_3^7, x_1^7 x_2^7 x_3, x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^7, x_1^3 x_2^7 x_3^5, x_1^7 x_2^3 x_3^5\}.$$

By a direct computation using Proposition 2.12, we see that  $f(B_3(15))$  is the set consisting of 38 admissible monomials in  $(P_5^0)_{15}$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** If x is an admissible monomial of degree 15 in  $P_4$  then either  $\omega(x) = (1, 1, 1, 1)$  or  $\omega(x) = (3, 2, 2)$ .

*Proof.* Since deg x is odd, we have  $\omega_1(x) = 1$  or  $\omega_1(x) = 3$ .

Suppose  $\omega_1(x)=1$ , then  $x=x_iy^2$  with y a monomial of degree 7. Since x is admissible, by Theorem 2.7, y is admissible. If  $y\notin P_4^+$  then from Kameko [10],  $\omega(y)=(1,1,1)$  or  $\omega(y)=(3,2)$ . A direct computation shows that  $x=x_iy^2$  is inadmissible for all monomials y in  $P_4$  with  $\omega(y)=(3,2)$ . Hence  $\omega(x)=(1,1,1,1)$ . If  $y\in P_4^+$ , then y is a permutation of one of the following monomial  $x_1x_2x_3x_4^4$ ,  $x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^3$ ,  $x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^2$ . By a direct computation we see that  $x=x_iy^2$  is inadmissible.

If  $\omega_1(x) = 3$ , then  $x = x_i x_j y^2$ , i < j with y a monomial of degree 6 in  $P_4$ . By Theorem 2.7, y is admissible. So  $\omega_1(y) = 2$  or  $\omega_1(y) = 4$ . If  $\omega_1(y) = 4$ , then by Proposition 2.8, x is inadmissible. Hence  $\omega_1(y) = 2$  and  $\omega(x) = (3, 2, 2)$ . The lemma is proved.

**Proposition 3.2.**  $(QP_4^+)_{15}$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space of dimension 37 with a basis consisting of all the classes represented by the admissible monomials  $d_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le 37$ , which are determined as follows:

*Proof.* From the proof of Lemma 3.1, if x is an admissible monomial of degree 15 in  $P_4$ , then x is a permutation of one of the following monomials:

$$x_1x_2x_3^6x_4^7,\ x_1x_2^2x_3^5x_4^7,\ x_1x_2^3x_3^4x_4^7,\ x_1x_2^3x_3^5x_4^6,\ x_1^2x_2^3x_3^5x_4^5,\ x_1^3x_2^3x_3^4x_4^5.$$

By a direct computation we see that if  $x \neq d_t$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 37$ , then x is inadmissible.

Now we prove that the set  $\{[d_t]: 1 \leq t \leq 37\}$  is linearly independent in  $QP_4^+$ . Suppose there is a linear relation

$$S = \sum_{1 \le t \le 37} \gamma_t d_t \equiv 0, \tag{3.1}$$

with  $\gamma_t \in \mathbb{F}_2$ .

By Kameko [10],  $B_3(15)$  is the set consisting of 7 monomials:

$$v_1 = x_1 x_2^7 x_3^7, \ v_2 = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^7, v_3 = x_1^3 x_2^7 x_3^5, v_4 = x_1^7 x_2 x_3^7, v_5 = x_1^7 x_2^3 x_3^5, v_6 = x_1^7 x_2^7 x_3, v_7 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^{12}.$$

By a direct computation, we explicitly compute  $p_I(S)$  in terms of  $v_1, v_2, \ldots v_7$ . From the relations  $p_I(S) \equiv 0$  for I = (i, j) with  $1 \leqslant i < j \leqslant 4$  and for I = (1, i, j) with  $2 \leqslant i < j \leqslant 4$ , one gets  $\gamma_t = 0$  for  $t \neq 1, 2, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19, 22, 24, 29, 30, 31 and <math>\gamma_1 = \gamma_9 = \gamma_{16} = \gamma_{22}, \gamma_2 = \gamma_{11} = \gamma_{19} = \gamma_{24}, \gamma_{12} = \gamma_{15} = \gamma_{29} = \gamma_{30}, \gamma_{31} = \gamma_{34} = \gamma_{35} = \gamma_{36}$ . Hence the relation (3.1) becomes

$$\gamma_1 \theta_1 + \gamma_2 \theta_2 + \gamma_{12} \theta_3 + \gamma_{31} \theta_4 + \gamma_{37} d_{37} \equiv 0, \tag{3.2}$$

where

$$\theta_1 = d_1 + d_9 + d_{16} + d_{22}, \quad \theta_2 = d_2 + d_{11} + d_{19} + d_{24},$$
  
 $\theta_3 = d_{12} + d_{15} + d_{29} + d_{30}, \quad \theta_4 = d_{31} + d_{34} + d_{35} + d_{36}.$ 

Now, we prove that  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \gamma_{12} = \gamma_{31} = 0$ .

The proof is divided into 4 steps.

Step 1. Under the homomorphism  $\varphi_1$ , the image of (3.2) is

$$\gamma_1 \theta_1 + \gamma_2 \theta_2 + \gamma_{12} \theta_3 + \gamma_{31} (\theta_4 + \theta_3) + \gamma_{37} (d_{37} + v_7) \equiv 0. \tag{3.3}$$

Since  $v_7 \in P_4^0$ ,  $\gamma_{37} = 0$ . Combining (3.2) and (3.3), we get

$$\gamma_{31}\theta_3 \equiv 0. \tag{3.4}$$

If the polynomial  $\theta_3$  is hit, then we have

$$\theta_3 = Sq^1(A) + Sq^2(B) + Sq^4(C),$$

for some polynomials  $A \in (P_4^+)_{14}$ ,  $B \in (P_4^+)_{13}$ ,  $C \in (P_4^+)_{11}$ . Let  $(Sq^2)^3$  act on the both sides of this equality. We get

$$(Sq^2)^3(\theta_3) = (Sq^2)^3 Sq^4(C),$$

By a direct calculation, we see that the monomial  $x=x_1^8x_2^7x_3^4x_4^2$  is a term of  $(Sq^2)^3(\theta_3)$ . If this monomial is a term of  $(Sq^2)^3Sq^4(y)$  for a monomial

 $y \in (P_4^+)_{11}$ , then  $y = x_2^7 f_2(z)$  with  $z \in P_3$  and  $\deg z = 4$ . Using the Cartan formula, we see that x is a term of  $x_2^7 (Sq^2)^3 Sq^4(z) = x_2^7 (Sq^2)^3 (z^2) = 0$ . Hence

$$(Sq^2)^3(\theta_3) \neq (Sq^2)^3 Sq^4(C),$$

for all  $C \in (P_4^+)_{11}$  and we have a contradiction. So  $[\theta_3] \neq 0$  and  $\gamma_{31} = 0$ . Since  $\gamma_{31} = 0$ , the homomorphism  $\varphi_2$  sends (3.2) to

$$\gamma_1 \theta_1 + \gamma_2 \theta_2 + \gamma_{12} \theta_4 \equiv 0. \tag{3.5}$$

Using the relation (3.5) and by the same argument as given in Step 1, we get  $\gamma_{12} = 0$ .

Step 3. Since  $\gamma_{31} = \gamma_{12} = 0$ , the homomorphism  $\varphi_3$  sends (3.2) to

$$\gamma_1[\theta_1] + \gamma_2[\theta_3] = 0. \tag{3.6}$$

Using the relation (3.6) and by the same argument as given in Step 2, we obtain  $\gamma_3 = 0$ .

Step 4. Since  $\gamma_{31} = \gamma_{12} = \gamma_2 = 0$ , the homomorphism  $\varphi_4$  sends (3.2) to

$$\gamma_1 \theta_2 = 0.$$

Using this relation and by the same argument as given in Step 3, we obtain  $\gamma_1 = 0$ . The proposition is proved.

Corollary 3.3. The set  $[f(B_4(15))]$  is a basis of the  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space  $(QP_5^0)_{15}$ . Consequently  $\dim(QP_5^0)_{15} = 270$ .

Now we compute  $(QP_5)_5 = (QP_5^0)_5 \oplus (QP_5^+)_5$ . Using Kameko's results in [10], we have  $B_3(5) = \{x_1x_2x_3^3, x_1x_2^3x_3, x_1^3x_2x_3\}$ . A direct computation, we easily obtain

$$B_4(5) = f(B_3(5)) \cup \{x_1 x_2^2 x_3 x_4, x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4, x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4^2\}.$$

This implies dim $(QP_4)_5 = 15$ . It is easy to see that  $(QP_5^+)_5 = \langle [x_1x_2x_3x_4x_5] \rangle$ . So we get

$$B_5(5) = f(B_4(5)) \cup \{x_1x_2x_3x_4x_5\}.$$

Combining this with Proposition 2.12 we obtain

**Proposition 3.4.** The set  $[B_5(5)]$  is a basis of the  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space  $(QP_5)_5$ . Consequently  $\dim(QP_5)_5 = 46$ .

Now we compute  $(QP_5^+)_{15} \cap \operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5$ .

**Lemma 3.5.** If x is an admissible monomial of degree 15 in  $P_5^+$  and  $[x] \in Ker(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)$ , then  $\omega(x)$  is one of the sequences: (1,1,3), (3,2,2), (3,4,1).

*Proof.* Since  $x \in P_5^+$  and  $[x] \in \operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)$ , using Proposition 2.8, we see that x is a permutation of one of the following monomials:

We have

$$\begin{split} x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^4x_5^6 &= x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^2x_5^8 + Sq^1(x_1^2x_2x_3x_4^4x_5^6 + x_2^2x_3x_4^2x_5^8) \\ &\quad + Sq^2(x_1x_2x_3x_4^4x_5^6 + x_1x_2x_3x_4^2x_5^8) \\ x_1^2x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^4 &= x_1x_2^2x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4 + Sq^1(x_1x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^4) \\ x_1^2x_2^2x_3^2x_4^3x_5^6 &= x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^4x_5^6 + Sq^1(x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^3x_5^6). \end{split}$$

Since  $\omega(x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^2x_5^8)=(1,3,0,1)<(1,3,2,0)=\omega(x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^4x_5^6),$   $\omega(x_1x_2^2x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4)=(1,1,3)<(1,3,2)=\omega(x_1^2x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^4),$   $\omega(x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^4x_5^6)=(1,3,2)<(1,5,1)=\omega(x_1^2x_2^2x_3^2x_4^3x_5^6),$  if the monomial x is a permutation of one of the monomials  $x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^4x_5^6,$   $x_1^2x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^4,$   $x_1^2x_2^2x_3^2x_4^3x_5^6,$  then x is inadmissible. The lemma follows.

From Lemma 3.5, we have

$$(QP_5^+)_{15} \cap \operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5 = ((QP_5^+) \cap QP_5(1,1,3)) \oplus \\ \oplus ((QP_5^+) \cap QP_5(3,4,1)) \oplus ((QP_5^+) \cap QP_5(3,2,2)).$$

**Proposition 3.6.**  $QP_5^+ \cap QP_5(1,1,3) = \langle [x_1x_2^2x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4] \rangle$ .

*Proof.* From the proof of Lemma 3.5, if x is a monomial of degree 15 in  $P_5$  and  $\omega(x)=(1,1,3)$  then x is a permutation of the monomial  $x_1x_2^2x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4$ . By a direct computation, we have  $x\equiv x_1x_2^2x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4$ , completing the proof.

**Proposition 3.7.**  $QP_5^+ \cap QP_5(3,4,1)$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space of dimension 40 with a basis consisting of all the classes represented by the admissible monomials  $a_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 40$ , which are determined as follows:

*Proof.* Let x be an admissible monomial of degree 15 in  $P_5$  and  $\omega(x) = (3,4,1)$ . From the proof of Lemma 3.5, x is a permutation of one of the monomials  $x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^3x_5^7$ ,  $x_1x_2^2x_3^3x_4^3x_5^6$ ,  $x_1^2x_2^2x_3^3x_4^3x_5^5$ . A direct computation shows that if  $x \neq a_t$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 40$ , then x is inadmissible.

Now, we prove that the set  $\{[a_t]: 1 \leq t \leq 40\}$  is linearly independent in  $QP_5$ . Suppose there is a linear relation

$$S = \sum_{1 \le t \le 40} \gamma_t a_t \equiv 0,$$

with  $\gamma_t \in \mathbb{F}_2$ . By a direct computation, we explicitly compute  $p_{(1,j)}(\mathcal{S})$  in terms of  $d_i$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq 37$ . From the relations  $p_{(1,j)}(\mathcal{S}) \equiv 0$  for  $1 \leq j \leq 5$ , we obtain  $\gamma_t = 0$  for  $1 \leq t \leq 40$ . The proposition is proved.

**Proposition 3.8.**  $QP_5^+ \cap QP_5(3,2,2)$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space of dimension 75 with a basis consisting of all the classes represented by the admissible monomials  $b_t$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 75$ , which are determined as follows:

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3. x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^5x_4^6

7. x_1x_2x_3^3x_4^6x_5^5

11. x_1x_2x_3^6x_4^6x_5

15. x_1x_2^2x_3x_4^6x_5^5

19. x_1x_2^2x_3^4x_4x_7^7
                                                                          2. \quad x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^4 x_5^7
    1. x_1x_2x_3x_4^6x_5^6
                                                                                                                                                                                                                      4. x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^6x_5^5
    5. x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^7x_5^4
                                                                        6. x_1 x_2 x_3^{3} x_4^{4} x_5^{6}
                                                                                                                                                                                                                    8. x_1x_2x_3^6x_4x_5^6
9. x_1x_2x_3^6x_4^2x_5^5

13. x_1x_2^2x_3x_4^4x_5^7

17. x_1x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^5
                                                                     10. x_1 x_2 x_3^6 x_4^3 x_5^4
14. x_1 x_2^2 x_3 x_4^5 x_5^6
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   12. x_1x_2x_3^7x_4^2x_5^2
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   16. x_1 x_2^2 x_3 x_4^7 x_5^7
                                                                    18. x_1 x_2^{\tilde{2}} x_3^3 x_4^{\tilde{5}} x_5^{\tilde{4}}
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   20. x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^3 x_4^5
                                                                                                                                            23. x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^2 x_5^5
 21. x_1x_2^2x_3^4x_4^7x_5
                                                                      22. x_1x_2^2x_3^5x_4x_5^6
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   24. x_1x_2^2x_3^5x_4^3x_5^3
                                                                                                                                          \begin{array}{lll} 23. & x_1x_2x_3x_4x_5 \\ 27. & x_1x_2^2x_3^7x_4^4x_5 \\ 31. & x_1x_2^3x_3^2x_5^4x_5^4 \\ 35. & x_1x_2^3x_3^4x_4^3x_5^4 \\ 39. & x_1x_2^3x_3^6x_4^4x_5 \end{array}
                                                                     26. x_1x_2^2x_3^3x_4x_5^4

30. x_1x_2^3x_3^2x_4^4x_5^5

34. x_1x_2^3x_3^4x_4^2x_5^5

38. x_1x_2^3x_3^6x_4x_4^5
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   28. x_1 x_2^3 x_3 x_4^4 x_5^6

32. x_1 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^6

36. x_1 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^6
 25. x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^6 x_5
29. x_1 x_2^3 x_3 x_4^6 x_5
\begin{array}{lll} 33. & x_1x_2^3x_3^4x_4x_5^6\\ 37. & x_1x_2^3x_3^5x_4^2x_5^4\\ 41. & x_1x_2^6x_3x_4^2x_5^5\\ \end{array}
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   40. x_1x_2^6x_3x_4x_5^6
                                                                   44. x_1 x_2^{\tilde{6}} x_3^3 x_4 x_5^{\tilde{4}}
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   48. x_1 x_2^7 x_3^2 x_4^4 x_5
 45. x_1 x_2^6 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5
\begin{array}{lll} 45. & x_1x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5\\ 49. & x_1^3x_2x_3x_4^4x_5^6\\ 53. & x_1^3x_2x_3^3x_4^4x_5\\ 57. & x_1^3x_2x_3^4x_4^6x_5\\ 61. & x_1^3x_2^3x_3x_4^4x_5^6\\ 65. & x_1^3x_2^4x_3x_4^2x_5^6\\ 69. & x_1^3x_2^4x_3^3x_4^4x_5\\ 73. & x_1^7x_2x_3x_4^2x_5^4\\ \end{array}
                                                                                                                                                                                                                   52. x_1^3 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^5 x_5^4
                                                                                                                                                                                                                  52. x_1^4 x_2^2 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^5
56. x_1^3 x_2 x_3^4 x_4^3 x_5^4
60. x_1^3 x_2 x_3^6 x_4^4 x_5
64. x_1^3 x_2^4 x_3 x_4 x_5^6
68. x_1^3 x_2^4 x_3^3 x_4 x_5^4
72. x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^2 x_4^4 x_5
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*Proof.* Let x be an admissible monomial of degree 15 in  $P_5$  and  $\omega(x) = (3, 2, 2)$ . From the proof of Lemma 3.5, x is a permutation of one of the monomials:

$$\begin{array}{lll} x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^4x_5^7, & x_1x_2x_3x_4^6x_5^6, & x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^5x_5^6, & x_1x_2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^6, \\ x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^5x_5^5, & x_1x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^5 & x_1x_2^2x_3^3x_4^4x_5^4. \end{array}$$

By a direct computation, we see that if  $x \neq b_t$ ,  $1 \leqslant t \leqslant 75$ , then x is inadmissible.

Now, we prove that the set  $\{[b_t]: 1 \leq t \leq 75\}$  is linearly independent in  $QP_5$ . Suppose there is a linear relation

$$S = \sum_{1 \le t \le 75} \gamma_t b_t \equiv 0, \tag{3.7}$$

with  $\gamma_t \in \mathbb{F}_2$ . By a direct computation, we explicitly compute  $p_{(i,j)}(\mathcal{S})$  in terms of  $d_t$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 37$ . From the relations  $p_{(i,j)}(\mathcal{S}) \equiv 0$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq 5$ , one gets  $\gamma_t = 0$  for  $t \notin J$  with

 $J = \{1, 8, 11, 32, 38, 39, 40, 43, 44, 45, 49, 50, 53, 54, 57, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68, 69\}$ 

and  $\gamma_t = \gamma_1$  for  $t \in J$ . Hence the relation (3.7) becomes

$$\gamma_1 q \equiv 0$$
,

where  $q = b_1 + b_8 + b_{11} + b_{32} + b_{38} + b_{39} + b_{40} + b_{43} + b_{44} + b_{45} + b_{49} + b_{50} + b_{53} + b_{54} + b_{57} + b_{61} + b_{62} + b_{63} + b_{64} + b_{67} + b_{68} + b_{69}$ .

If the polynomial q is hit, then we have

$$q = Sq^{1}(A) + Sq^{2}(B) + Sq^{4}(C),$$

for some polynomials  $A \in (P_5^+)_{14}$ ,  $B \in (P_5^+)_{13}$ ,  $C \in (P_5^+)_{11}$ . Let  $(Sq^2)^3$  act on the both sides of this equality. Since  $(Sq^2)^3Sq^1=0$  and  $(Sq^2)^3Sq^2=0$  we get

$$(Sq^2)^3(q) = (Sq^2)^3 Sq^4(C).$$

By a direct calculation, we have

$$(Sq^2)^3(q) = D + \text{other terms},$$

where  $D=x_1^3(x_2^2x_3^8x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^8x_3^2x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^8x_3^4x_4^2x_5^4+x_2^8x_3^4x_4^4x_5^2+x_2^6x_3^8x_4^2x_5^4+x_2^8x_3^4x_4^4x_5^2+x_2^6x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^6x_3^4x_5^4+x_2^6x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^6x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^6x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^6x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^6x_3^4x_4^4x_5^4+x_2^6x_3^4x_4^4x_5^$ 

$$(Sq^2)^3(q) \neq (Sq^2)^3 Sq^4(C),$$

for all  $C \in (P_5^+)_{11}$  and we have a contradiction. So  $[q] \neq 0$  and  $\gamma_1 = 0$ . The proposition is proved.

# 4 Proof of Theorems 1.2 and 1.3

Proof of Theorem 1.2. Since  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0 = (\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_{15}^5 : (QP_5)_{15} \to (QP_5)_5$  is a homomorphism of  $GL_5$ -modules, we have a direct summand decomposition of the  $GL_5$ -modules:  $(QP_5)_{15} = \operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5 \oplus (QP_5)_5$ . Hence

$$(QP_5)_{15}^{GL_5} = (\operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5)^{GL_5} \oplus (QP_5)_5^{GL_5}.$$

By a direct computation using Proposition 3.4 we easily obtain  $(QP_5)_5^{GL_5} = 0$ . It is easy to see that

$$\operatorname{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_{*}^{0})_{5}^{5} = QP_{5}(1, 1, 1, 1) \oplus QP_{5}(1, 1, 3) \oplus QP_{5}(3, 2, 2) \oplus QP_{5}(3, 4, 1),$$

where  $QP_5(1,1,1,1) \oplus QP_5(1,1,3)$ ,  $QP_5(3,2,2)$  and  $QP_5(3,4,1)$  are the  $GL_5$ -submodules of  $Ker(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_5^5$ . By a direct computation using Theorem 1.1 and the homomorphisms  $\varphi_i: QP_5 \to QP_5$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 5$ , one gets

$$(QP_5(1,1,1,1) \oplus QP_5(1,1,3))^{GL_5} = \langle [p] \rangle,$$
  
 $QP_5(3,2,2)^{GL_5} = \langle [q] \rangle, \ QP_5(3,4,1)^{GL_5} = 0.$ 

The theorem is proved.

Proof of Theorem 1.3. First of all, we briefy recall the definition of the Singer transfer. Let  $\widehat{P}_1$  be the submodule of  $\mathbb{F}_2[x_1,x_1^{-1}]$  spanned by all powers  $x_1^i$  with  $i \geq -1$ . The usual  $\mathcal{A}$ -action on  $P_1 = \mathbb{F}_2[x_1]$  is canonically extended to an  $\mathcal{A}$ -action on  $\mathbb{F}_2[x_1,x_1^{-1}]$  (see Singer [20]).  $\widehat{P}_1$  is an  $\mathcal{A}$ -submodule of  $\mathbb{F}_2[x_1,x_1^{-1}]$ . The inclusion  $P_1 \subset \widehat{P}_1$  gives rise to a short exact sequence of  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules:

$$0 \longrightarrow P_1 \longrightarrow \widehat{P}_1 \longrightarrow \Sigma^{-1} \mathbb{F}_2 \longrightarrow 0.$$

Let  $e_1$  be the corresponding element in  $\operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^1(\Sigma^{-1}\mathbb{F}_2, P_1)$ . Singer set  $e_k = e_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes e_1 \in \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^k(\Sigma^{-k}\mathbb{F}_2, P_k)$ . Then, he defined  $\operatorname{Tr}_k^* : \operatorname{Tor}_k^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{F}_2, \Sigma^{-k}\mathbb{F}_2) \to \operatorname{Tor}_0^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{F}_2, P_k) = QP_k$  by  $\operatorname{Tr}_k^*(z) = e_k \cap z$ . Its image is a submodule of  $(QP_k)^{GL_k}$ . The k-th Singer transfer is defined to be the dual of  $\operatorname{Tr}_k^*$ .

The algebra  $\operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{*,*}(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2)$  is described in terms of the mod-2 lambda algebra  $\Lambda$  (see Lin [12]). Recall that  $\Lambda$  is a bigraded differential algebra over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  generated by  $\lambda_j \in \Lambda^{1,j}, j \geq 0$ , with the relations

$$\lambda_j \lambda_{2j+1+m} = \sum_{\nu \geqslant 0} {m - \nu - 1 \choose \nu} \lambda_{j+m-\nu} \lambda_{2j+1+\nu},$$

for  $m \ge 0$  and the differential

$$\delta(\lambda_k) = \sum_{\nu \ge 0} \binom{k - \nu - 1}{\nu + 1} \lambda_{k - \nu - 1} \lambda_{\nu},$$

for k>0 and that  $H^{s,t}(\Lambda,\delta)=\operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,t+s}(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2)$ . It is easy to see that  $\lambda_{2^i-1}\in\Lambda^{1,2^i-1}$ ,  $i\geqslant 0$ , and  $\bar{d}_0=\lambda_6\lambda_2\lambda_3^2+\lambda_4^2\lambda_3^2+\lambda_2\lambda_4\lambda_5\lambda_3+\lambda_1\lambda_5\lambda_1\lambda_7\in\Lambda^{4,14}$  are the cycles in the lambda algebra  $\Lambda$ .

**Proposition 4.1 (See Lin [12]).**  $\operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{5,20}(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2) = \operatorname{Span}\{h_0^4h_4,h_1d_0\}, \text{ with } h_i = [\lambda_{2^{i-1}}] \in \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{1,2^{i}}(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2) \text{ and } d_0 = [\bar{d}_0] \in \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{4,18}(\mathbb{F}_2,\mathbb{F}_2).$ 

It is well known that  $H_*(BV_k)$  is the dual of  $H^*(BV_k) = P_k$ . So

$$H_*(B\mathbb{V}_k) = \Gamma(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$$

is the divided power algebra generated by  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_k$ , where  $a_i$  is dual to  $x_i \in P_k$  with respect to the basis of  $P_k$  consisting of all monomials in  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k$ . In [3], Chon and Hà defined a homomorphism of algebras

$$\phi = \underset{k \ge 1}{\oplus} \phi_k : \underset{k \ge 1}{\oplus} H_*(B\mathbb{V}_k) \to \underset{k \ge 1}{\oplus} \Lambda_k = \Lambda,$$

which induces the Singer transfer. Here the homomorphism  $\phi_k : H_*(B\mathbb{V}_k) \to \Lambda_k$  is defined by the following inductive formula:

$$\phi_k(a^{(I,t)}) = \begin{cases} \lambda_t, & \text{if } k - 1 = \ell(I) = 0, \\ \sum_{i \ge t} \phi_{k-1}(Sq^{i-t}a^I)\lambda_i, & \text{if } k - 1 = \ell(I) > 0, \end{cases}$$

for any  $a^{(I,t)} = a_1^{(i_1)} a_1^{(i_2)} \dots a_{k-1}^{(i_{k-1})} a_k^{(t)} \in H_*(B\mathbb{V}_k)$  and  $I = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{k-1})$ .

**Proposition 4.2 (See Chon and Hà [3]).** If  $b \in PH_*(BV_k)$ , then  $\phi_k(b)$  is a cycle in the lambda algebra  $\Lambda$  and  $\operatorname{Tr}_k([b]) = [\phi_k(b)]$ .

Now we are ready to prove Theorem 1.3.

According to Theorem 1.2,  $\{[p], [q]\}$  is a basis of  $(QP_5)_{15}^{GL_5}$ . Let  $\{p^*, q^*\}$  be the basis of  $\mathbb{F}_2 \underset{GL_5}{\otimes} PH_{15}(B\mathbb{V}_5)$  which is dual to  $\{[p], [q]\}$ . It is easy to see that  $a_5^{(15)} \in PH_{15}(B\mathbb{V}_5)$  and  $\langle a_5^{(15)}, p \rangle = 1, \langle a_5^{(15)}, q \rangle = 0$ . Consider the element  $b = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{J}} a^I \in H_{15}(B\mathbb{V}_5)$ , where  $\mathcal{J}$  is the set of all the following sequences:

 $(1,1,1,6,6),\ (1,2,2,5,5),\ (1,2,1,6,5),\ (1,1,2,5,6),\ (1,4,2,5,3),\ (1,4,1,6,3),\\ (1,3,2,6,3),\ (1,2,4,3,5),\ (1,1,4,3,6),\ (1,4,4,3,3),\ (1,6,1,1,6),\ (1,5,2,2,5),\\ (1,6,1,2,5),\ (1,5,2,1,6),\ (1,5,2,4,3),\ (1,6,1,4,3),\ (1,6,2,3,3),\ (1,3,4,2,5),\\ (1,3,4,1,6),\ (1,3,3,2,6),\ (1,3,4,4,3),\ (1,1,6,1,6),\ (1,2,5,2,5),\ (1,2,6,1,5),\\ (1,1,5,2,6),\ (1,4,5,2,3),\ (1,4,6,1,3),\ (1,3,6,2,3),\ (1,2,3,4,5),\ (1,1,3,4,6),\\ (1,4,3,4,3),\ (1,3,1,5,5),\ (1,5,5,1,3),\ (1,5,1,3,5),\ (1,5,3,1,5),\ (1,5,3,3,3).$ 

By a direct computation we see that  $b \in PH_{15}(B\mathbb{V}_5)$  and  $\langle b, p \rangle = 0$ ,  $\langle b, q \rangle = 1$ . Hence we obtain  $[a_5^{(15)}] = p^*$  and  $[b] = q^*$ . A direct computation shows

$$\phi_5(a_5^{(15)}) = \lambda_0^4 \lambda_{15},$$
  
$$\phi_5(b) = \lambda_1 \bar{d}_0 + \delta(\lambda_1 \lambda_9 \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_1 \lambda_3 \lambda_9 \lambda_3).$$

Using Proposition 4.2, one gets  $\operatorname{Tr}_5(p^*) = \operatorname{Tr}_5([a_5^{(15)}]) = h_0^4 h_4$  and  $\operatorname{Tr}_5(q^*) = \operatorname{Tr}_5([b]) = h_1 d_0$ . The theorem follows.

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