

# THE ADMISSIBLE MONOMIAL BASIS FOR THE POLYNOMIAL ALGEBRA OF FIVE VARIABLES IN DEGREE $2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5$

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## Abstract

Let  $P_k := \mathbb{F}_2[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k]$  be the polynomial algebra over the prime field of two elements,  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , in  $k$  variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$ , each of degree 1. We study the *hit problem*, set up by F. Peterson, of finding a minimal set of generators for  $P_k$  as a module over the mod-2 Steenrod algebra,  $\mathcal{A}$ . In this paper, we explicitly determine all admissible monomials for the case  $k = 5$  in degree  $2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5$  with  $s$  an arbitrary positive integer.

## 1 Introduction

Let  $P_k := \mathbb{F}_2[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k]$  be the polynomial algebra over the prime field of two elements,  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , in  $k$  variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$ , each of degree 1. The mod-2 Steenrod algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  acts on  $P_k$  by the formula

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

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 [12]).

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Many authors study the *hit problem* of determination of the minimal set of generators for  $P_k$  as a module over the Steenrod algebra, or equivalently, a basis of  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k$ .

This problem has first been studied by Peterson [8], Wood [16], Singer [11], Priddy [9], who show its relationship to several classical problems in homotopy theory.

The tensor product  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k$  has explicitly been calculated by Peterson [8] for  $k = 2$ , Kameko for  $k = 3$  in his thesis [5] and Sum [14] for  $k = 4$ .

The hit problem were then investigated by many authors. (See Bruner-Ha-Hung [1], Carlisle-Wood [2], Crabb-Hubbuck [3], Hung [4], Mothebe [6], Nam [7], Singer [11], Silverman [10], Walker-Wood [15] and others.)

Peterson conjectured in [8] that as a module over the Steenrod algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $P_k$  is generated by monomials in degrees  $n$  that satisfy  $\alpha(n+k) \leq k$ , where  $\alpha(n)$  denotes the number of ones in dyadic expansion of  $n$ , and proved it for  $k \leq 2$ . The conjecture was established in general by Wood [16].

For any nonnegative integer  $n$ , set  $\mu(n) = \min\{m \in \mathbb{Z} : \alpha(n+m) \leq m\}$ . Denote by  $(P_k)_n$  and  $(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)_n$  the subspaces of degree  $n$  homogeneous polynomials in the spaces  $P_k$  and  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k$  respectively.

**Theorem 1.1** ([Wood [16]). *If  $\mu(n) > k$ , then  $(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)_n = 0$ .*

From Theorem 1.1, the hit problem is reduced to the cases of degree  $n$  with  $\mu(n) \leq k$ .

In this paper, we explicitly determine all the admissible monomials (see Section 2) of  $P_5$  in degree  $n = 2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5$  with  $s$  an arbitrary positive integer.

For  $s = 1$ , the problem is easy. There exist exactly 5 admissible monomials of degree 1 in  $P_5$ , namely:  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5$ . For  $s = 2$ , we have

**Proposition 1.2.** *There exist exactly 110 admissible monomials of degree 7 in  $P_5$ . Consequently  $\dim((\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_7) = 110$ .*

The main result of the paper is the following:

**Theorem 1.3.** *For any integer  $s \geq 3$ , there exist exactly 912 admissible monomials of degree  $2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5$  in  $P_5$ . Consequently  $\dim((\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_{2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5}) = 912$ .*

In Section 2, we recall some results on the admissible monomials and hit monomials in  $P_k$ . We prove Proposition 1.2 in Section 3. Theorem 1.3 will be proved in Section 4.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this section, we recall some results in Kameko [5], Singer [11] and Sum [13] on the admissible monomials and the hit monomials in  $P_k$ .

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

Let  $x = x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \dots x_k^{a_k} \in P_k$ . Following Kameko [5], we define two sequences associated with  $x$  by

$$\begin{aligned}\omega(x) &= (\omega_1(x), \omega_2(x), \dots, \omega_i(x), \dots), \\ \sigma(x) &= (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k),\end{aligned}$$

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

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $x, y$  be the monomials of the same degree in  $P_k$ . We say that  $x < y$  if and only if one of the following holds

1.  $\omega(x) < \omega(y)$ ,
2.  $\omega(x) = \omega(y)$  and  $\sigma(x) < \sigma(y)$ .

Here, the order on the set of sequences of nonnegative integers is the lexicographical one.

Let  $f, g$  be homogeneous polynomials of the same degree in  $P_k$ . We denote  $f \equiv g$  if and only if  $f - g \in \mathcal{A}^+ P_k$ . If  $f \equiv 0$ , then  $f$  is called hit.

**Definition 2.2.** A monomial  $x$  is said to be inadmissible if there exists the monomials  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r$  such that

$$x \equiv y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_r \text{ and } y_j < x, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, r.$$

A monomial  $x$  is said to be admissible if it is not inadmissible.

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

**Definition 2.3.** A monomial  $x$  is said to be strictly inadmissible if and only if there exist monomials  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_t$  such that  $y_j < x$ , for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, t$  and

$$x = y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_t + \sum_{1 \leq i < 2^s} Sq^i(f_i),$$

with  $s \leq \max\{i ; \omega_i(x) > 0\}$  and  $f_i \in P_k$ .

The following theorem is one of our main tools.

**Theorem 2.4 (Kameko [5], Sum [13]).** *Let  $x, y, w$  be monomials in  $P_k$  such that  $\omega_i(x) = 0$  for  $i > r > 0$ ,  $\omega_s(w) \neq 0$  and  $\omega_i(w) = 0$  for  $i > s > 0$ .*

- i) *If  $w$  is inadmissible, then  $xw^{2^r}$  is also inadmissible.*
- ii) *If  $w$  is strictly inadmissible, then  $xw^{2^r}y^{2^{r+s}}$  is inadmissible.*

Now, we recall a result of Singer [11] on the hit monomials in  $P_k$ .

**Definition 2.5.** A monomial  $z = x_1^{a_1} x_2^{a_2} \dots x_k^{a_k}$  is called the spike if  $b_j = 2^{s_j} - 1$  for  $s_j$  a nonnegative integer and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . If  $z$  is the spike with  $s_1 > s_2 > \dots > s_{r-1} \geq s_r > 0$  and  $s_j = 0$  for  $j > r$  then it is called the minimal spike.

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

**Theorem 2.6 (Singer [11]).** *Suppose  $x \in P_k$  is a monomial of degree  $n$ , where  $\alpha(n+k) \leq k$ . Let  $z$  be the minimal spike of degree  $n$ . If  $\omega(x) < \omega(z)$  then  $x$  is hit.*

One of the main tools in the study of the hit problem is Kameko's squaring operation  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0 : \mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k$ . This homomorphism is induced by the  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -linear map, also denoted by  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0 : P_k \rightarrow P_k$ , 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  $t$ .

**Theorem 2.7 (Kameko [5]).** *Let  $m$  be a positive integer. If  $\mu(2m+k) = k$ , then  $(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)_m : (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)_{2m+k} \rightarrow (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)_m$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector spaces.*

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

$$\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k = (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k^0) \oplus (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k^+).$$

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

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

It is easy to see that

**Proposition 2.8.** *If  $B_{k-1}(n)$  is the set of all admissible monomials of degree  $n$  in  $P_{k-1}$ , then  $f(B_{k-1}(n)) := \cup_{1 \leq i \leq k} f_i(B_{k-1}(n))$  is the set of all admissible monomials of degree  $n$  in  $P_k^0$ .*

For 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  $p_I : P_k \rightarrow P_{k-1}$  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 Proposition 1.2

From now on, denote by  $B_k(n)$  the set of all admissible monomials of degree  $n$  in  $P_k$ .

According to a result in Sum [14], there exist exactly 35 admissible monomials of degree 7 in  $P_4$ , namely:

$$\begin{aligned} & x_i^7, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 4, \quad x_1 x_2^2 x_3^2 x_4^2, \\ & x_i x_j^6, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq 4, \\ & x_i x_j^2 x_\ell^4, \quad 1 \leq i < j < \ell \leq 4, \\ & x_i x_j^3 x_\ell^3, \quad 1 \leq i, j, \ell \leq 4, \quad i \neq j \neq \ell \neq i, \\ & x_i x_j^2 x_\ell x_m, \quad (i, j, \ell, m) \text{ is a permutation of } (1, 2, 3, 4) \text{ such that } i < j. \end{aligned}$$

By a direct computation we see that  $f(B_4(7))$  is the set consisting of 100 admissible monomials in  $(P_5^0)_7$ . Now we determine all admissible monomials in  $(P_5^+)_7$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *If  $x$  is an admissible monomials of degree 7 in  $P_5$  then either  $\omega(x) = (3, 2)$  or  $\omega(x) = (5, 1)$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\omega_1(x)$  is odd we have  $\omega_1(x) = 1$  or  $\omega_1(x) = 3$  or  $\omega_1(x) = 5$ .

If  $\omega_1(x) = 1$ , then  $x = x_i y^2$  with  $y$  a monomial of degree 3 in  $P_5$ . This contradicts the fact that  $x \in P_5^+$ .

If  $\omega_1(x) = 3$ , then  $x = x_i x_j x_\ell y^2$  with  $y$  a monomial of degree 2 in  $P_5$ . Since  $x$  is admissible, according to Theorem 2.4,  $y$  is admissible. Hence  $y = x_m x_n$ , where  $(i, j, \ell, m, n)$  is a permutation of  $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$ . So we have  $\omega(x) = (3, 2)$ .

If  $\omega_1(x) = 5$ , then  $x = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5 x_i^2$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 5$ . Hence  $\omega(x) = (5, 1)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** *The following monomials are strictly inadmissible:*

$$x_1 x_2^2 x_3^2 x_4 x_5, x_1^2 x_i^2 x_j x_\ell x_m, \quad (i, j, \ell, m) \text{ is a permutation of } (2, 3, 4, 5).$$

*Proof.* By a direct computation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4x_5 &= x_1x_2^2x_3x_4^2x_5 + x_1x_2^2x_3x_4x_5^2 + x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^2x_5 + x_1x_2x_3^2x_4x_5^2 \\ &\quad + x_1x_2x_3x_4^2x_5^2 + Sq^1(x_1^2x_2x_3x_4x_5) + Sq^2(x_1x_2x_3x_4x_5), \\ x_1^2x_i^2x_jx_\ell x_m &= x_1x_i^2x_j^2x_\ell x_m + x_1x_i^2x_jx_\ell^2x_m + x_1x_i^2x_jx_\ell x_m^2 + Sq^1(x_1x_i^2x_jx_\ell x_m). \end{aligned}$$

The lemma is proved.  $\square$

Let  $x$  be a monomial of degree 7 in  $P_5^+$ . If  $\omega(x) = (5, 1)$  then  $x$  is a spike. Hence  $x$  is admissible. If  $x$  is admissible and  $\omega(x) = (3, 2)$ , then by Lemma 3.2,  $x$  is one of 5 monomials:

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= x_1x_2x_3x_4^2x_5^2, & a_2 &= x_1x_2x_3^2x_4x_5^2, & a_3 &= x_1x_2x_3^2x_4^2x_5, \\ a_4 &= x_1x_2^2x_3x_4x_5^2, & a_5 &= x_1x_2^2x_3x_4^2x_5. \end{aligned}$$

Now we prove that the set  $\{[a_i], 1 \leq i \leq 5\}$  is linearly independent in  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5$ . Suppose that

$$\mathcal{S} = \gamma_1 a_1 + \gamma_2 a_2 + \gamma_3 a_3 + \gamma_4 a_4 + \gamma_5 a_5 \equiv 0.$$

By a direct computation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_{(1,2)}(\mathcal{S}) &\equiv (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \gamma_3)x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^2 + \gamma_4x_1^3x_2x_3x_4^2 + \gamma_5x_1^3x_2x_3^2x_4 \equiv 0, \\ p_{(1,3)}(\mathcal{S}) &\equiv (\gamma_1 + \gamma_4 + \gamma_5)x_1x_2^2x_3^2x_4^2 + \gamma_2x_1x_2^3x_3x_4^2 + \gamma_3x_1x_2^3x_3^2x_4 \equiv 0. \end{aligned}$$

From these above equalities, one gets  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \gamma_3 = \gamma_4 = \gamma_5 = 0$ . The proposition is proved.

## 4 Proof of Theorem 1.3

Note that

$$2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5 = 2^{s+1} + 2^{s-1} + 2^{s-2} + 2^{s-3} + 2^{s-3} - 5.$$

If  $s > 3$ , then  $\mu(2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5) = 5$ . According to Theorem 2.7, the squaring operation

$$\widetilde{Sq}_*^0 : (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_{2^{s+1}+2^s-5} \longrightarrow (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_{2^s+2^{s-1}-5}$$

is an isomorphism. Hence  $(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_{2^{s+1}+2^s-5} \cong (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_{19}$  for any  $s > 3$ . So, we need only to prove the theorem for  $s = 3$ .

Since the squaring operation  $\widetilde{Sq}_*^0 : (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_{19} \longrightarrow (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_7$  is an epimorphism, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_{19} &\cong \text{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0) \oplus (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_7 \\ &= (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^0)_{19} \oplus (\text{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0) \cap (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)_{19}) \oplus (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5)_7. \end{aligned}$$

According to a result in Sum [14], there exist exactly 140 admissible monomials of degree 19 in  $P_4$ . A direct computation using Proposition 2.8, one gets

**Proposition 4.1.** *There exist exactly 550 admissible monomials of degree 19 in  $P_5^0$ . Consequently  $\dim(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^0)_{19} = 550$ .*

Now we explicitly determine  $\text{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0) \cap (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)_{19}$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $x$  be an admissible monomial of degree 19 in  $P_5$ . If  $[x] \in \text{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0)$ , then either  $\omega(x) = (3, 2, 1, 1)$  or  $\omega(x) = (3, 2, 3)$  or  $\omega(x) = (3, 4, 2)$ .*

*Proof.* Observe that  $z = x_1^5 x_2^3 x_3$  is the minimal spike of degree 9 in  $P_5$  and  $\omega(z) = (3, 2, 1, 1)$ . Since  $\omega_1(x)$  is odd, using Theorem 2.6 and the fact that  $[x] \in \text{Ker} \widetilde{Sq}_*^0$ , we obtain  $\omega_1(x) = 3$ . Hence  $x = x_i x_j x_\ell y^2$ , where  $y$  is a monomial of degree 8 and  $1 \leq i < j < \ell \leq 5$ . Since  $x$  is admissible, by Theorem 2.4,  $y$  is also admissible. Applying Theorem 2.6, we see that either  $\omega_1(y) = 2$  or  $\omega_1(y) = 4$ . If  $\omega_1(y) = 2$ , then  $y = x_i x_j y_1^2$  with  $y_1$  a monomial of degree 3 in  $P_5$  and  $i < j$ . Then either  $\omega(y_1) = (1, 1)$  or  $\omega(y_1) = (3)$ . If  $\omega_1(y) = 4$ , then  $y = x_i x_j x_\ell y_2^2$  with  $y_2$  a monomial of degree 2 in  $P_5$  and  $i < j < \ell$ . Then  $\omega(y_2) = (2)$ . The lemma is proved.  $\square$

Let  $\omega = (\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_i, \dots)$  be a sequence of nonnegative integers such that  $\omega_i = 0$  for  $i \gg 0$ . Define  $\text{deg } \omega = \sum_{i>0} 2^{i-1} \omega_i$ . We set

$$(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)(\omega) = \text{Span}\{[x] \in \mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k : x \text{ is an admissible monomial and } \omega(x) = \omega\},$$

and  $(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k^+)(\omega) = ((\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)(\omega)) \cap (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k^+)$ . It is easy to see that

$$(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)_n = \bigoplus_{\text{deg } \omega = n} (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_k)(\omega).$$

Applying Lemma 4.2, one gets

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker}(\widetilde{Sq}_*^0) \cap (\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)_{19} &= ((\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)(3, 2, 1, 1)) \oplus \\ &\oplus ((\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)(3, 2, 3)) \oplus ((\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)(3, 4, 2)). \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 4.3.**  *$(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)(3, 2, 1, 1)$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space of dimension 150 with a basis consisting of all the classes represented by the following admissible monomials:*





*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{aligned} x_i^2 x_j &= x_i x_j^2 + Sq^1(x_i x_j), \\ x_i^2 x_j x_\ell &= x_i x_j^2 x_\ell + x_i x_j x_\ell^2 + Sq^1(x_i x_j x_\ell), \\ x_i^2 x_j x_\ell x_m^3 &= x_i x_j^2 x_\ell x_m^3 + x_i x_j x_\ell^2 x_m^3 + x_i x_j x_\ell x_m^4 + Sq^1(x_i x_j x_\ell x_m^3). \end{aligned}$$

The lemma follows.  $\square$

*Proof of Proposition 4.3.* Let  $x$  be a monomial in  $P_5$  and  $\omega(x) = (3, 2, 1, 1)$ . Then  $x$  is a permutation of one of the following monomials:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5^{14} & x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5^6 x_5^{10} & x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^2 x_5^{13} & x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4 x_5^{12} & x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^4 x_5^{11} \\ x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^5 x_5^{10} & x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^6 x_5^9 & x_1 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^8 & x_1 x_2 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^{10} & x_1 x_2 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^8 \\ x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^9 & x_1 x_2^2 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^9 & x_1 x_2^2 x_3^3 x_4^5 x_5^8 & x_1 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^8. & \end{array}$$

A direct computation using Theorem 2.4 and Lemmas 3.2, 4.4 shows that if  $x \neq a_t$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 150$ , then  $x$  is inadmissible.

Now, we prove that the set  $\{[a_t] : 1 \leq t \leq 150\}$  is linearly independent in  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5$ . Suppose there is a linear relation

$$\mathcal{S} = \sum_{1 \leq t \leq 150} \gamma_t a_t \equiv 0,$$

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

By a direct computation from the relations  $p_{(i,j)}(\mathcal{S}) \equiv 0$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq 5$ , and  $p_{(1,2,3)}(\mathcal{S}) \equiv 0$ , one gets  $\gamma_t = 0$  for all  $t$ . The proposition is proved.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.5.**  $(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)(3, 2, 3)$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space of dimension 47 with a basis consisting of all the classes represented by the following admissible monomials:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} b_1 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^7 & b_2 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^7 x_5^5 & b_3 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^4 x_5^7 & b_4 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^7 x_5^4 \\ b_5 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^5 & b_6 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_7 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_8 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^4 \\ b_9 = x_1^7 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^5 & b_{10} = x_1^7 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{11} = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^6 & b_{12} = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^6 x_5^5 \\ b_{13} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^7 & b_{14} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^7 x_5^4 & b_{15} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^4 & b_{16} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^4 \\ b_{17} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^7 & b_{18} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^7 x_5^4 & b_{19} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^4 & b_{20} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^4 \\ b_{21} = x_1^7 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^7 & b_{22} = x_1^7 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^7 x_5^4 & b_{23} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^6 & b_{24} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^5 \\ b_{25} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^4 x_5^6 & b_{26} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{27} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^6 & b_{28} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 \\ b_{29} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^6 & b_{30} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{31} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^6 & b_{32} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^5 \\ b_{33} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^4 x_5^6 & b_{34} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{35} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^6 x_4^4 x_5^5 & b_{36} = x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^6 x_4^5 x_5^4 \\ b_{37} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^6 & b_{38} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{39} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{40} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 \\ b_{41} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^5 x_4^4 x_5^6 & b_{42} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{43} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{44} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 \\ b_{45} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^4 & b_{46} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^5 x_4^4 x_5^6 & b_{47} = x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^5 x_4^4 x_5^6 & \end{array}$$

**Lemma 4.6.** The following monomials are strictly inadmissible:

- (i)  $x_i^2 x_j^3 x_\ell^3$ ,  $i \neq j \neq \ell \neq i$ ,

- (ii)  $x_i^2 x_j x_\ell^2 x_m^3$ ,  $i < j$ ,  $i, j \neq \ell, m$ ,  $\ell \neq m$ ,
- (iii)  $x_i^2 x_j x_\ell x_m^2 x_n^2$ ,  $(i, j, \ell, m, n)$  is a permutation of  $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$  and  $i < j < \ell$ .
- (iv)  $x_i^3 x_j^5 x_\ell^6 x_m^5$ ,  $i < j < \ell$ ,  $m \neq i, j, \ell$ ,
- (v)  $x_i^3 x_j^4 x_\ell^5 x_m^7$ ,  $i \neq j \neq \ell \neq m \neq i$ ,
- (vi)  $x_i^3 x_j^5 x_\ell^5 x_m^6$ ,  $i < j < \ell < m$ ,

**Lemma 4.7.** *Let  $(i, j, \ell, m, n)$  be a permutation of  $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$ . Then the following monomials are strictly inadmissible:*

- (i)  $x_i^4 x_j x_\ell^3 x_m^4 x_n^7$ ,  $x_i^4 x_j x_\ell^3 x_m^5 x_n^6$ ,  $i < j$ ,
- (ii)  $x_i^3 x_j^4 x_\ell^5 x_m^2 x_n^5$ ,  $x_i^3 x_j^4 x_\ell^4 x_m^3 x_n^5$   $i = 1, m > 3$ .

The above lemmas are proved by a direct computation.

*Proof of Proposition 4.5.* Let  $x$  be a monomial in  $P_5$  and  $\omega(x) = (3, 2, 3)$ . Then  $x$  is a permutation of one of the following monomials:

$$x_1 x_2^2 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^7, x_1 x_2^2 x_3^5 x_4^5 x_5^6, x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^7, x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^6, x_1^2 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^5 x_5^5, x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^5.$$

By a direct computation using Theorem 2.4 and Lemmas 3.2, 4.4, 4.6, 4.7 we see that if  $x \neq b_t, \forall t, 1 \leq t \leq 47$ , then  $x$  is inadmissible.

Now, we prove that the set  $\{[b_t] : 1 \leq i \leq 47\}$  is linearly independent in  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5$ . Suppose there is a linear relation

$$\mathcal{S} = \sum_{1 \leq t \leq 47} \gamma_t b_t \equiv 0,$$

with  $\gamma_t \in \mathbb{F}_2, 1 \leq t \leq 47$ .

Computing directly from the relations  $p_{(i,j)}(\mathcal{S}) \equiv 0, 1 \leq i < j \leq 5$ , gives  $\gamma_t = 0$  for all  $1 \leq t \leq 47$ . The proposition is proved.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.8.**  $(\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5^+)(3, 4, 2)$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space of dimension 55 with a basis consisting of all the classes represented by the following admissible monomials:

$$\begin{array}{llll} c_1 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^7 & c_2 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^7 x_4^2 x_5^7 & c_3 = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^7 x_4^2 x_5^2 & c_4 = x_1 x_2^7 x_3^2 x_4^2 x_5^7 \\ c_5 = x_1 x_2^7 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^2 & c_6 = x_1 x_2^7 x_3^7 x_4^2 x_5^2 & c_7 = x_1^7 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^2 x_5^7 & c_8 = x_1^7 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^2 \\ c_9 = x_1^7 x_2 x_3^7 x_4^2 x_5^2 & c_{10} = x_1^7 x_2^7 x_3^2 x_4^2 x_5^2 & c_{11} = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^7 & c_{12} = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^3 x_4^7 x_5^6 \\ c_{13} = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^7 x_4^3 x_5^6 & c_{14} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^2 x_4^6 x_5^7 & c_{15} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^6 & c_{16} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^6 x_4^2 x_5^7 \\ c_{17} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^6 x_4^7 x_5^2 & c_{18} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^7 x_4^2 x_5^6 & c_{19} = x_1 x_2^3 x_3^7 x_4^6 x_5^2 & c_{20} = x_1 x_2^7 x_3^2 x_4^3 x_5^6 \\ c_{21} = x_1 x_2^7 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^2 & c_{22} = x_1 x_2^7 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^2 & c_{23} = x_1^3 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^6 x_5^7 & c_{24} = x_1^3 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^6 \\ c_{25} = x_1^3 x_2 x_3^6 x_4^7 x_5^2 & c_{26} = x_1^3 x_2 x_3^6 x_4^7 x_5^2 & c_{27} = x_1^3 x_2 x_3^7 x_4^2 x_5^6 & c_{28} = x_1^3 x_2 x_3^7 x_4^6 x_5^2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
c_{29} &= x_1^3 x_2^7 x_3 x_4^2 x_5^6 & c_{30} &= x_1^3 x_2^7 x_3 x_4^6 x_5^2 & c_{31} &= x_1^7 x_2 x_3^2 x_4^3 x_5^6 & c_{32} &= x_1^7 x_2 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^6 \\
c_{33} &= x_1^7 x_2 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^6 & c_{34} &= x_1^7 x_2^3 x_3 x_4^2 x_5^6 & c_{35} &= x_1^7 x_2^3 x_3 x_4^6 x_5^2 & c_{36} &= x_1 x_2^5 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^6 \\
c_{37} &= x_1 x_2^3 x_3^6 x_4^6 x_5^6 & c_{38} &= x_1 x_2^3 x_3^6 x_4^6 x_5^3 & c_{39} &= x_1^3 x_2 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^6 & c_{40} &= x_1^3 x_2 x_3^6 x_4^3 x_5^6 \\
c_{41} &= x_1^3 x_2 x_3^6 x_4^6 x_5^3 & c_{42} &= x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3 x_4^6 x_5^6 & c_{43} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^2 & c_{44} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^2 \\
c_{45} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^2 & c_{46} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^2 & c_{47} &= x_1^7 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^2 x_5^2 & c_{48} &= x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^2 x_5^6 \\
c_{49} &= x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^2 x_5^6 & c_{50} &= x_1^3 x_2^3 x_3^2 x_4^3 x_5^6 & c_{51} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^6 x_4^3 x_5^3 & c_{52} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^6 \\
c_{53} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^6 x_4^2 x_5^3 & c_{54} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^6 x_4^2 x_5^3 & c_{55} &= x_1^3 x_2^5 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^2.
\end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 4.9.** *Let  $(i, j, \ell, m, n)$  be a permutation of  $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$ . Then the following monomials are strictly inadmissible:*

- (i)  $x_i^2 x_j x_\ell x_m x_n^3$ ,  $i < j < \ell < m$ ,
- (ii)  $x_i x_j^6 x_\ell^3 x_m^3 x_n^6$ ,  $i < j < \ell$ ,  $x_i x_j^6 x_\ell^3 x_m^3 x_n^6$ ,  $i = 1, j = 2$ .

*Proof.* We prove the lemma for  $x = x_1 x_2^6 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^7$ . The others can be proved by a similar computation. A direct computation shows

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= x_1 x_2^5 x_3^4 x_4^2 x_5^7 + x_1 x_2^5 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^8 + x_1^2 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^9 + x_1^2 x_2^4 x_3^4 x_4^2 x_5^7 + x_1^2 x_2^4 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^8 \\
&\quad + x_1^2 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^2 x_5^8 + x_1^4 x_2^4 x_3^3 x_4 x_5^7 + x_1^4 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4 x_5^7 + x_1^4 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4 x_5^8 + x_1 x_2^4 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^7 \\
&\quad + x_1 x_2^3 x_3^4 x_4^4 x_5^7 + x_1 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^8 + x_1 x_2^4 x_3^5 x_4^2 x_5^7 + x_1 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^2 x_5^8 + x_1 x_2^3 x_3^6 x_4^2 x_5^7 \\
&\quad + Sq^1(x_1 x_2^5 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^7 + x_1^4 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4 x_5^7 + x_1 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^4 x_5^7 + x_1 x_2^3 x_3^5 x_4^2 x_5^7) \\
&\quad + Sq^2(x_1 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^2 x_5^7).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $x$  is strictly inadmissible.  $\square$

*Proof of Proposition 4.8.* Let  $x$  be a monomial in  $P_5$  and  $\omega(x) = (3, 4, 2)$ . Then  $x$  is a permutation of one of the following monomials:

$$x_1 x_2^2 x_3^2 x_4^7 x_5^7, \quad x_1 x_2^2 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^7, \quad x_1 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^6 x_5^6, \quad x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3^3 x_4^5 x_5^7, \quad x_1^2 x_2^3 x_3^3 x_4^5 x_5^6.$$

By a direct computation using Theorem 2.4 and Lemma 4.9, we see that if  $x \neq c_t$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 55$ , then  $x$  is inadmissible.

Now, we prove that the set  $\{[c_t] : 1 \leq t \leq 55\}$  is linearly independent in  $\mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} P_5$ . Suppose there is a linear relation

$$\mathcal{S} = \sum_{1 \leq t \leq 55} \gamma_t c_t \equiv 0,$$

with  $\gamma_t \in \mathbb{F}_2$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 55$ .

By a direct computation from the relations  $p_{(i,j)}(\mathcal{S}) \equiv 0$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq 5$ , one gets  $\gamma_t = 0$  for all  $t$ . The proposition is proved.  $\square$

Combining Propositions 1.2, 4.1, 4.3, 4.5, 4.8, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
B_5(19) &= f(B_4(19)) \cup \{a_i : 1 \leq i \leq 150\} \cup \\
&\quad \cup \{b_j : 1 \leq j \leq 47\} \cup \{c_\ell : 1 \leq \ell \leq 55\} \cup \psi(B_5(7)),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi : P_5 \rightarrow P_5$  is the homomorphism determined by  $\psi(x) = x_1x_2x_3x_4x_5x^2$  for all  $x \in P_5$ . For  $s > 3$ , we have

$$B_5(2^{s+1} + 2^s - 5) = \psi^{s-3}(B_5(19)).$$

Theorem 1.3 is proved.

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