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# ON THE MSp HATTORI-STONG PROBLEM

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#### 1. Introduction

In the present paper, we work in the category of CW-spectra due to Adams [1]. For any ring spectrum E, we denote by  $E_*()$  and  $E^*()$  the associated homology and cohomology functors and by  $E_*$  the coefficient ring. The unit of E is denoted by  $u^E \colon S \to E$ . Let E be a ring spectrum and F a spectrum. Consider the spectrum morphism

$$u^E \wedge 1: F = S \wedge F \rightarrow E \wedge F$$
.

Then  $u^E \wedge 1$  induces the generalized Hurewicz map

$$h^E = (u^E \wedge 1)_* : F_* \rightarrow E_*(F)$$
.

For E=H, we denote  $h^E$  simply by h.

Ray [7] has conjectured that the Hurewicz map

$$(1.1) h^{KO}: MSp_n \to KO_n(MSp)$$

is a split monomorphism for any integer n and has shown that it is a split monomorphism for  $n \le 20$ . Later Segal [14] has shown that the map (1.1) is not a monomorphism for n = 31 (since  $MSp_{31} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ ) and that Ray's MSp Hattori-Stong conjecture is false.

But still we may conjecture that the map

(1.2) 
$$h^{KO}/\text{Tors}: MSp_*/\text{Tors} \rightarrow KO_*(MSp)/\text{Tors}$$

is a split monomorphism, where Tors denotes the torsion subgroup.

For any ring spectrum E, we put

$$W_*^E = \{x \in MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q}; h^E(x) \in E_*(MSp) / Tors \subset E_*(MSp) \otimes \mathbf{Q}\}$$
.

Then  $MSp_*/Tors \subset W_*^E$ . And the map (1.2) is a split monomorphism if and only if  $MSp_*/Tors = W_*^{KO}$ .

Let  $L_*$  be a subring of  $MSp_*\otimes Q$ . We put

$$Q(L_*) = L_*/(L_* \cap D_*)$$

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where  $D_*$  is the ideal of all decomposable elements in  $MSp_*\otimes Q$ . In this paper, we prove the following two theorems.

**Theorem 1.1.** The inclusion i:  $MSp_*/Tors \rightarrow W_*^{KO}$  induces the isomorphism

$$i_*: Q(MSp_*/Tors) \cong Q(W_*^{KO})$$

(Cf. Proposition 3.12).

Theorem 1.2. The Hurewicz map

$$h^{KO}: MSp_n \rightarrow KO_n(MSp)$$

is a split monomorphism for  $n \leq 30$ . In particular, we have

$$MSp_n/Tors = W_n^{KO}$$
 for  $n < 32$ .

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# 2. Calculations in $W_*^K$ and $W_*^{KO}$

We denote by  $ni: \mathbb{C}P^n \to \mathbb{C}P^{\infty}$  (resp.  $ni: HP^n \to HP^{\infty}$ ) the inclusion map. Let E be a ring spectrum having a class  $x \in \widetilde{E}^2(\mathbb{C}P^{\infty})$  (resp.  $x \in \widetilde{E}^4(HP^{\infty})$ ) such that

$$E^*(CP^n) = E_*[{}_nx]/({}_nx^{n+1}) \text{ (resp. } E^*(HP^n) = E_*[{}_nx]/({}_nx^{n+1}))$$

for each integer  $n \ge 1$  and  ${}_{1}x \in \widetilde{E}^{2}(CP^{1}) = \widetilde{E}^{2}(S^{2})$  (resp.  ${}_{1}x \in \widetilde{E}^{4}(HP^{1}) = \widetilde{E}^{4}(S^{4})$ ) is represented by the unit  $u^{E}$ , where  ${}_{n}x = {}_{n}i^{*}(x)$ . As is well known, x determines the Thom isomorphism  $\phi \colon E_{*}(BU) \cong E_{*}(MU)$  (resp.  $\phi \colon E_{*}(BSp) \cong E_{*}(MSp)$ ). Let  $j \colon CP^{\infty} \to BU$  (resp.  $j \colon HP^{\infty} \to BSp$ ) be the inclusion map and  $y_{i}' \in E_{*}(CP^{\infty})$  (resp.  $y_{i}' \in E_{*}(HP^{\infty})$ ) dual to  $x^{i}$ . Put  $y_{i} = \phi j_{*}(y_{i}')$ . Then we have

$$\begin{split} E_*(MU) &= E_*[y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_i, \cdots] \\ (\text{resp. } E_*(MSp) &= E_*[y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_i, \cdots]) \,, \end{split}$$

where  $y_i \in E_{2i}(MU)$  (resp.  $y_i \in E_{4i}(MSp)$ ).

In  $\tilde{H}^2(CP^{\infty})$ , choose x to be  $c_1$ , the first Chern class of the universal U(1)-bundle  $\zeta^1$  over  $CP^{\infty}$ . In this case, we denote  $y_i$  by  $b_i$ . Then we have

$$H_*(MU) = \mathbf{Z}[b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i, \dots], b_i \in H_{2i}(MU).$$

In  $\widetilde{MU}^2(CP^{\infty})$ , choose x to be  $cf_1$ , the first Conner-Floyd Chern class of  $\zeta^1$ , represented by the homotopy equivalence  $CP^{\infty} \simeq MU(1)$ .

Let  $z \in K_2$  be such that  $i^*(\zeta^1 - 1) = z\gamma$  in  $K^0(CP^1)$ , where  $\gamma \in \tilde{K}^2(CP^1) = \tilde{K}^2(S^2)$  is represented by the unit  $u^K$ . Then we have

$$K_* = \boldsymbol{Z}[z, z^{\scriptscriptstyle -1}]$$
 and  $H_*(K) = \boldsymbol{Q}[t, t^{\scriptscriptstyle -1}]$ ,

where t=h(z).

In  $\tilde{K}^2(CP^{\infty})$ , choose x to be  $z^{-1}(\zeta^1-1)$ . As is well known, there is a unique ring spectrum morphism  $g: MU \to K$  such that  $g_*(cf_1) = z^{-1}(\zeta^1-1)$ .

In  $\tilde{H}^4(HP^\infty)$ , choose x to be  $p_1$ , the first symplectic Pontrjagin class of the universal Sp(1)-bundle  $\xi^1$  over  $HP^\infty$ . In this case we denote  $y_i$  by  $q_i$ . Then we have

$$H_*(MSp) = \mathbf{Z}[q_1, q_2, \cdots, q_i, \cdots], q_i \in H_{4i}(MSp).$$

In  $\widetilde{MSp}^4(HP^{\infty})$ , choose x to be  $pf_1$ , the first Conner-Floyd symplectic Pontrjagin class of  $\xi^1$ , represented by the homotopy equivalence  $HP^{\infty} \simeq MSp(1)$ . In this case, we denote  $y_i$  by  $qf_i$ .

Put  $\kappa_i = (gr)_*(qf_i) \in K_*(MSp)$ , where  $r: MSp \to MU$  is the morphism induced by the inclution  $Sp \to U$ . Then we have

$$K_*(MSp) = K_*[\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \cdots, \kappa_i, \cdots], \kappa_i \in K_{4i}(MSp).$$

Let bu denote the connective BU-spectrum and  $\psi: bu \rightarrow K$  the canonical morphism. Then we have

$$\psi_*$$
:  $bu_n \simeq K_n$  if  $n \ge 0$ ,  $bu_n = 0$  if  $n < 0$ .

And let  $\tilde{\kappa}_i \in bu_*(MSp)$  be the unique class such that  $\psi_*(\tilde{\kappa}_i) = \kappa_i \in K_*(MSp)$ . Then we have

$$bu_*(MSp) = bu_*[\tilde{\kappa}_1, \tilde{\kappa}_2, \cdots, \tilde{\kappa}_i, \cdots].$$

Therefore  $\psi_*$ :  $bu_*(MSp) \rightarrow K_*(MSp)$  is a split monomorphism, so that we have

$$(2.1) W_*^{bu} = W_*^K.$$

Similarly we have

$$(2.2) W_*^{bo} = W_*^{KO},$$

where bo denotes the connective BO-spectrum.

We have a Künneth isomorphism

$$H_*() \otimes H_*(MSp) \cong H_*( \wedge MSp)$$

since  $H_*(MSp)$  is torsion free. By this isomorphism we idenify  $H_*()\otimes H_*(MSp)$  and  $H_*(\land MSp)$ .

Lemma 2.1. Consider the commutative diagram

$$MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q} \xrightarrow{h} H_*(MSp) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$$

$$\downarrow h^K \qquad \qquad \downarrow j$$

$$K_*(MSp) \otimes \mathbf{Q} \xrightarrow{\cong} H_*(K) \otimes H_*(MSp) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$$
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where  $j=(u^K\wedge 1)_*: H_*(MSp)\to H_*(K\wedge MSp)=H_*(K)\otimes H_*(MSp)$ . Then we have

$$j(x) = 1 \otimes x$$

for any  $x \in H_*(MSp)$  and

$$h(h^K(W_*^K)) = h(K_*(MSp)) \cap j(H_*(MSp))$$
  
=  $h(Z[z^2, \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \cdots, \kappa_i, \cdots]) \cap j(H_*(MSp))$ .

Proof. It is proven by diagram chasing that

$$j(x) = 1 \otimes x$$

for any  $x \in H_*(MSp)$ .

We have the following commutative diagram

$$h^{K} \begin{pmatrix} h^{bu} & h \\ h^{bu} & & \tilde{j} \\ h^{k} & h^{k} & & \tilde{j} \\ h^{k} & h^{k} & & \tilde{j} \\ h^{k} & h^{k} & & h \\ h^{k} & h^{k} & & h^{k} \\ h^{k} & h^{k} & & h^{k} \\ h^{k} & h^{k} & & h^{k} \\ h$$

where  $\tilde{j} = (u^{bu} \wedge 1)_* : H_*(MSp) \rightarrow H_*(bu \wedge MSp) = H_*(bu) \otimes H_*(MSp)$ .

Now let  $x \in W_*^K = W_*^{bu}$  (Cf. (2.1)). Then there is an integer  $n \neq 0$  such that  $nx \in MSp_*/Tors$ . We have

$$nh(h^{bu}(x)) = h(h^{bu}(nx))$$
  
=  $\tilde{j}(h(nx)) \in \tilde{j}(H_*(MSp))$ .

Since  $\tilde{j}/\text{Tors}$ :  $H_*(MSp) \rightarrow H_*(bu)/\text{Tors} \otimes H_*(MSp)$  is a split monomorphism,  $h(h^{bu}(x)) \in \tilde{j}(H_*(MSp))$ . Therefore we obtain

$$h(h^K(x)) \in j(H_*(MSp))$$
.

By (2.1) and dimensional reason, we obtain

$$h^{K}(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[z^{2}, \kappa_{1}, \kappa_{2}, \cdots, \kappa_{i}, \cdots],$$
  
$$h(h^{K}(x)) \in h(\mathbb{Z}[z^{2}, \kappa_{1}, \kappa_{2}, \cdots, \kappa_{i}, \cdots]).$$

Conversly let  $y \in K_*(MSp)$  and  $h(y) \in i(H_*(MSp))$ . Then

$$h(y) \in j(h(MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q})) = h(h^K(MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q})),$$

so that  $y \in h^K(MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q})$ . Consequently we obtain

$$y \in h^K(W_*^K), h(y) \in h(h^K(W_*^K))$$
.

Corollary 2.2.  $h(W_*^K) \subset H_*(MSp)$ .

It is well known that

$$(2.3) g_*(b_i) = t^i/(i+1)!,$$

where  $g_*: H_*(MU) \rightarrow H_*(K)$ . And we have

#### Lemma 2.3.

$$(gr)_*(q_i) = 2t^{2i}/[2(i+1)]!$$
,

where  $(gr)_*: H_*(MSp) \rightarrow H_*(K)$ .

Proof. We have

$$r_*(q_i) = 2[b_{2i} - b_1 b_{2i-1} + \dots + (-1)^{i-1} b_{i-1} b_{i+1}] + (-1)^i b_i^2$$

so that the lemma follows immediately from (2.3).

Consider the commutative diagram

$$MSp_*(MSp) \xrightarrow{h} H_*(MSp) \otimes H_*(MSp)$$

$$\downarrow (gr)_* \qquad \qquad \downarrow (gr)_* \otimes 1$$

$$K_*(MSp) \xrightarrow{h} H_*(K) \otimes H_*(MSp) .$$

By definition,  $(gr)_*(qf_i) = \kappa_i$ . Therefore we have

$$h(\kappa_i) = (gr)_* \otimes 1(h(qf_i))$$
,

so that, by Ray [9], (5.6) and Lemma 2.3, we can calculate the Hurewicz map

$$h: K_*(MSp) \rightarrow H_*(K) \otimes H_*(MSp)$$
.

Therefore, by Lemma 2.1 and the fact that  $h^K: W_*^K \to K_*(MSp)$  is a monomorphism, we obtain

**Proposition 2.4.**  $W_*^K$  is generated by elements

$$x_i(1 \leq i \leq 7), y_4, y_6$$
 and  $y_7$ 

in dimensions < 32, where  $x_i$   $(1 \le i \le 6)$  are defined by

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$$\begin{split} h^K(x_1) &= z^2 + 12\kappa_1 \,, \\ h^K(x_2) &= z^2\kappa_1 - 4\kappa_1^2 + 10\kappa_2 \,, \\ h^K(x_3) &= z^2(-3\kappa_1^2 + 4\kappa_2) + 12\kappa_1^3 - 36\kappa_1\kappa_2 + 28\kappa_3 \,, \\ h^K(x_4) &= z^2(\kappa_1^3 - 2\kappa_1\kappa_2 + \kappa_3) - 4\kappa_1^4 + 14\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 - 4\kappa_2^2 - 12\kappa_1\kappa_3 + 6\kappa_4 \,, \\ h^K(x_5) &= z^2(-7\kappa_1^4 + 18\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 - 4\kappa_2^2 - 11\kappa_1\kappa_3 + 4\kappa_4) \\ &\quad + 28\kappa_1^5 - 112\kappa_1^3\kappa_2 + 66\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 + 96\kappa_1^2\kappa_3 - 38\kappa_2\kappa_3 - 62\kappa_1\kappa_4 + 22\kappa_5 \,, \\ h^K(x_6) &= z^4(-2\kappa_1^4 + 5\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 - \kappa_2^2 - 3\kappa_1\kappa_3 + \kappa_4) \\ &\quad + z^2(-3\kappa_1^5 - 10\kappa_1^3\kappa_2 + 24\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 + 13\kappa_1^2\kappa_3 - 18\kappa_2\kappa_3 - 14\kappa_1\kappa_4 + 8\kappa_5) \\ &\quad + 44\kappa_1^6 - 150\kappa_1^4\kappa_2 + 15\kappa_1^2\kappa_2^2 + 25\kappa_2^3 + 140\kappa_1^3\kappa_3 + 36\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3 - 12\kappa_2^2 - 84\kappa_1^2\kappa_4 \\ &\quad - 45\kappa_2\kappa_4 + 18\kappa_1\kappa_5 + 13\kappa_5 \end{split}$$

and

$$y_4 = (-x_2^2 + x_1 x_3)/4$$
,  $y_6 = (-x_2 x_4 + x_1 x_5)/2$  and  $y_7 = (-x_3 x_4 + x_2 x_5)/2$ .

And we have

**Lemma 2.5.** Let  $x \in W_*^K$ , and

$$h^{K}(x) = f(z, \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \cdots, \kappa_i, \cdots) \in \mathbb{Z}[z, \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \cdots, \kappa_i, \cdots].$$

Then

$$h(x) = f(0, q_1, q_2, \dots, q_i, \dots) \in H_*(MSp)$$
.

For example,

$$h(x_1) = 12q_1$$
,  
 $h(x_2) = -4q_1^2 + 10q_2$ ,  
 $h(x_3) = 12q_1^3 - 36q_1q_2 + 28q_3$ ,  
 $h(x_4) = -4q_1^4 + 14q_1^2q_2 - 4q_2^2 - 12q_1q_3 + 6q_4$ .

Proof. Notice that

$$h(\kappa_i) \equiv 1 \otimes q_i \mod t \otimes 1$$
 in  $\mathbf{Q}[t] \otimes H_*(MSp)$ 

where  $h: K_*(MSp) \rightarrow H_*(K) \otimes H_*(MSp)$ . Then the lemma follows from Lemma 2.1.

Let  $c: KO \rightarrow K$  be the complexification morphism. As is well known,  $KO_*$  is generated by the classes

$$e \in KO_1$$
,  $x \in KO_4$ ,  $y \in KO_8$  and  $y^{-1} \in KO_{-8}$ 

subject to the relations

$$2e = e^3 = ex = 0$$
,  $x^2 = 4y$  and  $yy^{-1} = 1$ 

such that

$$c_*(x) = 2z^2$$
 and  $c_*(y) = z^4$  in  $K_*$ .

Let  $\sigma_i \in KO_{4i}(MSp)$  be the unique class such that  $c_*(\sigma_i) = \kappa_i \in K_{4i}(MSp)$ . Then we have

$$KO_*(MSp) = KO_*[\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \cdots, \sigma_i, \cdots],$$

and

$$(2.4) W_{*}^{KO} \subset W_{*}^{K}.$$

As a corollary to Proposition 2.4, we obtain

**Proposition 2.6.**  $W_{4k}^{KO}$  has the following generators for  $k \le 7$ .

$$\begin{split} k &= 1 \colon 2x_1 \,. \\ k &= 2 \colon x_1^2, \, 2x_2 \,. \\ k &= 3 \colon 2x_1^3, \, x_1x_2, \, 2x_3 \,. \\ k &= 4 \colon x_1^4, \, 2x_1^2x_2, \, x_1x_3, \, 2y_4, \, 2x_4 \,. \\ k &= 5 \colon 2x_5^5, \, x_1^3x_2, \, 2x_1^2x_3, \, 2x_1y_4, \, x_2x_3, \, x_1x_4, \, 2x_5 \,. \\ k &= 6 \colon x_1^6, \, 2x_1^4x_2, \, x_1^3x_3, \, 2x_1x_2x_3, \, 2x_2y_4, \, x_3^2, \, 2x_1^2x_4 \,, \\ & \quad x_1x_2x_3 + x_1^2(y_4 + x_4), \, x_2x_4, \, x_1x_5, \, 2x_6 \,. \\ k &= 7 \colon 2x_1^7, \, x_1^5x_2, \, 2x_1^4x_3, \, 2x_1^3y_4, \, x_1^2x_2x_3, \, 2x_1x_3^2, \, 2x_3y_4, \, x_1^3x_4 \,, \\ & \quad x_1x_2^3 + x_1x_2(y_4 + x_4), \, x_3x_4, \, 2x_1^2x_5, \, x_1y_6, \, x_2x_5, \, 2x_1x_6, \, \tilde{x}_7 \,. \end{split}$$

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$$W_*^{MSU} = W_*^{KO}, h^{MSU}(W_*^{MSU}) = H-Sp_*,$$

where  $H-Sp_*$  is the algebra of Ray [10], (2·1), and

$$h(2x_i) = h_i \in H_*(MSp)$$

for  $i \leq 4$ , where  $h_i$  are the classes in [10], (3.7) (Cf. Lemma 2.5)

#### 3. Adams spectral sequence maps

For any connective spectrum X such that  $X_r$  is finitely generated for each r, we denote by  $E_*^{**}(X)$  the mod 2 Adams spectral sequence for  $X_*$  (Cf. [3], 2.2). For an integer n, we denote by  $F^sX_n$  the s-th filtration in the mod 2 Adams spectral sequence. Then we have

$$F^s X_n / F^{s+1} X_n = E^{s,s+n}_{\infty}(X) = E^{s,s+n}_r(X)$$
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Let H be a graded vector space over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . We define a graded vector space H' from H by

$$H'_{2n} = H_n, H'_{2n+1} = 0$$

for any integer n. For any connected Hopf algebra H over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ , we denote the augmentation ideal  $\sum_{i>0} H_i$  by H.

We denote the mod 2 Steenrod Algebra by A. Let A'' be endowed with structure as a graded A-module by the following A-action.

$$A \otimes A'' \xrightarrow{\beta \otimes 1} A'' \otimes A'' \xrightarrow{\mu} A''$$
.

Here  $\beta: A \to A''$  is the map such that  $\beta^*(x) = x^4 \in A^*$  for any  $x \in A''^*$  and  $\mu$  is the product map in A. Using the notation of Milnor [4], we denote  $(\zeta_{j+1}^m)^*$  by  $m_j$  for any integers  $m, j \ge 0$ . For any n  $(0 \le n \le \infty)$ , let B(n) be the Hopf subalgebra of A (multiplicatively) generated by the elements  $1_0$ ,  $2_j$  for j < n. The map  $\beta$  induces the isomorphism

$$(3.1) A//B \cong A'',$$

where  $B=B(\infty)$ .

Let R be a Hopf subalgebra of A, and  $(C, d_C, \mathcal{E}_C)$  a R-free resolution of  $\mathbf{Z}_2$ . As is well known, A is free as a right R-module and we have the isomorphism  $A/A\bar{R} \cong A \otimes \mathbf{Z}_2$  of A-modules. So we obtain

**Lemma 3.1.** There is an A-free resolution of  $A/A\bar{R}$ :

$$A/A\bar{R} \xleftarrow{1 \otimes \mathcal{E}_{C}} A \underset{\mathbb{R}}{\otimes} C_{\scriptscriptstyle{0}} \xleftarrow{1 \otimes d_{C}} A \underset{\mathbb{R}}{\otimes} C_{\scriptscriptstyle{1}} \xleftarrow{1 \otimes d_{C}} \cdots \xleftarrow{1 \otimes d_{C}} A \underset{\mathbb{R}}{\otimes} C_{\scriptscriptstyle{i}} \xleftarrow{1 \otimes d_{C}} \cdots .$$

The following proposition is well known.

#### Proposition 3.2.

(1) (Serre [15])  $(HZ_2)^*(H) \cong A/A\overline{B(0)}$ 

as graded A-modules.

(2) (Cf. [1], §16)  $(H\mathbf{Z}_2)^*(bo) \cong A/A\overline{B(1)}$ 

as graded A-modules.

(3) (Cf. [3], THEOREM II. 4)  $(H\mathbf{Z}_2)^*(MSp) \cong A'' \otimes S''$ 

as graded coalgebra and A-modules (A oprating on S'' trivially), where S is the graded coalgebra over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  such that

$$S^* \cong \mathbf{Z}_2[V_2, V_4, V_5, \dots, V_i, \dots], i \neq 2^a - 1, \deg V_i = i.$$

As a result of Proposition 3.2, the following proposition is obtained by (3.1) and Lemma 3.1.

#### Proposition 3.3.

- (1)  $E_2(H) \cong Ext_{B(0)}(Z_2, Z_2)$ .
- $(2) \quad E_2(bo) \cong Ext_{B(1)}(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2).$

(3) 
$$E_2(MSp) \cong Ext_B(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2) \otimes \mathbf{Z}_2[v_2, v_4, v_5, \dots, v_i, \dots],$$
  
 $i \neq 2^a - 1, v_i = [V_i] \in E_2^{0,4i}(MSp).$ 

A B(n)-free resolution of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  has been constructed by Liulevicius [3]. Let Y(n) be the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -vector space with basis

$$\left\{I \otimes J; \begin{array}{l} I = (i_0, i_1, \cdots, i_{n-1}), J = (j_0, j_1, \cdots, j_n), \text{ where } I, J \text{ are } \\ \text{sequences of non-negative, finitely non-zero integers.} \end{array}\right\}.$$

Let

$$\deg I \otimes J = (\sum (i_r + j_r), \sum [i_r(2^{r+2} - 2) + j_r(2^{r+1} - 1)]).$$

We define a B(n)-homomorphism  $d(n): B(n) \otimes Y(n) \rightarrow B(n) \otimes Y(n)$  by

$$d(n)(I \otimes J) = \sum_{k} [1_{k}I \otimes (J - \Delta_{k}) + 2_{k}(I - \Delta_{k}) \otimes J + (j_{k+1} + 1)(I - \Delta_{k}) \otimes (J - \Delta_{0} + \Delta_{k+1}) + (j_{k+1} + 1)1_{0}(I - \Delta_{0} - \Delta_{k}) \otimes (J + \Delta_{k+1}) + (j_{k+1} + 2)(I - \Delta_{0} - 2\Delta_{k}) \otimes (J + 2\Delta_{k+1})] + \sum_{k} (j_{k+1} + 1)(j_{t+1} + 1)(I - \Delta_{0} - \Delta_{k} - \Delta_{t}) \otimes (J + \Delta_{k+1} + \Delta_{t+1}).$$

Here we set  $I-\Delta_r=0$  if  $i_r=0$  and  $J-\Delta_r=0$  if  $j_r=0$ . Then

$$B(n) \otimes Y(n) = (B(n) \otimes Y(n), d(n), \varepsilon(n))$$

is the B(n)-free resolution of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  constructed by him, where  $\mathcal{E}(n)$ :  $B(n) \otimes Y(n)_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  is the unique B(n)-homomorphism. Put

$$\langle J \rangle = (0) \otimes J$$
.

Then we have

$$d(n)\langle J\rangle = \sum 1_{k}\langle J-\Delta_{k}\rangle$$
.

Using the notation of [3] for  $Hom_{B(n)}(B(n) \otimes Y(n), \mathbb{Z}_2) = Y(n)^*$ , let

$$k_{j} = [x_{j}] \in Ext_{B(n)}^{1,2^{j+2}-2}(\boldsymbol{Z}_{2}, \boldsymbol{Z}_{2}),$$

$$q_{0} = [y_{0}] \in Ext_{B(n)}^{1,1}(\boldsymbol{Z}_{2}, \boldsymbol{Z}_{2}),$$

$$\tau_{j} = [y_{0}y_{j+1}^{2} + x_{0}x_{j}y_{j+1}] \in Ext_{B(n)}^{3,2^{j+3}-1}(\boldsymbol{Z}_{2}, \boldsymbol{Z}_{2}),$$

$$\omega_{0} = [y_{1}^{4}] \in Ext_{B(n)}^{4,12}(\boldsymbol{Z}_{2}, \boldsymbol{Z}_{2}).$$

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**Proposition 3.4.** (Liulevicius [3])

- (1)  $Ext_{B(0)}(Z_2, Z_2) = Z_2[q_0].$
- (2)  $Ext_{B(1)}(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2)$  has multiplicative generators  $q_0, k_0, \tau_0$  and  $\omega_0$  with bidegrees (1,1), (1,2), (3,7) and (4,12) respectively subject to the relations

$$q_0 k_0 = 0$$
,  $k_0^3 = 0$ ,  $k_0 \tau_0 = 0$  and  $\tau_0^2 = q_0^2 \omega_0$ .

# Corollary 3.5.

- $(1) \quad E_{\infty}(H) = E_{2}(H) \ .$
- (2)  $E_{\infty}(bo) = E_{2}(bo)$ .

**Lemma 3.6.** For any integer n, there is an integer  $s_0 = s_0(n)$  such that

$$Ext_B^{s,s+n}(Z_2, Z_2) = (Z_2[q_0, \{\tau_j\}])^{s,s+n}$$
 if  $s \ge s_0$ .

Proof. Let  $\tilde{B}(m)$  be the Hopf subalgebra of B (multiplicatively) generated by B(m),  $1_{m+1}$  ( $0 \le m < \infty$ ). By Segal [12], PROPOSITION 2.3, there is a spectral sequence  ${}_{m}E_{*}^{****}$  such that

$$_{m}E_{1} = Ext_{\widetilde{B}(m)}^{s}(\mathbf{Z}_{2}, \mathbf{Z}_{2}) \otimes F(\Omega^{*}) \ (\Omega = B(m+1)/|\widetilde{B}(m)),$$
  
 $(_{m}E_{\infty})^{s,t} \cong Ext_{B(m+1)}^{s,t}(\mathbf{Z}_{2}, \mathbf{Z}_{2}).$ 

Since  $\Omega = E_{Z_2}[k_m']$ ,  $k_{m'} = [2_m]$ , we have  $F(\Omega^*) = Z_2[k_m]$ ,  $\deg k_m = (1, 2^{m+2} - 2)$ . And  $Ext_{\widetilde{B}(m)}(Z_2, Z_2) = Ext_{B(m)}(Z_2, Z_2) \otimes Z_2[q_{m+1}]$ ,  $\deg q_{m+1} = (1, 2^{m+2} - 1)$ . Therefore

$$_{m}E_{1} = Ext_{B(m)}(\mathbf{Z}_{2}, \mathbf{Z}_{2}) \otimes \mathbf{Z}_{2}[k_{m}] \otimes \mathbf{Z}_{2}[q_{m+1}].$$

Then we have

$$d_1(q_{m+1}) = q_0 \dot{R}_m$$

and all  $d_r$  in  $_mE$  are trivial on  $Ext_{B(m)}(Z_2, Z_2) \otimes Z_2[k_m]$  (Cf. [12]).

Now we prove by induction on m that there is an integer  $s_0 = s_0(n,m)$  such that

$$Ext_{B(m)}^{s,s+n}(Z_2, Z_2) = (Z_2[q_0, \{\tau_j; j \leq m-1\}])^{s,s+n}$$
 if  $s \geq s_0$ .

For m=0, it is true by Proposition 3.4, (1). Assume that it is true for m. Since  $\deg q_{m+1}=(1, 1+(2^{m+2}-2)), 2^{m+2}-2\geq 1$  and  $\deg k_m=(1, 1+(2^{m+2}-3)), 2^{m+2}-3\geq 1$ , there is an integer  $s_0'=s_0'(n, m)$  such that

$$(_{m}E_{2})^{s,s+n} = (\mathbf{Z}_{2}[q_{0}, \{\tau_{j}; j \leq m-1\}, q_{m+1}^{2}])^{s,s+n}$$
 if  $s \geq s_{0}'$ .

Clearly there is an integer  $s_0'' = s_0''(n, m) \ge s_0'$  such that

$$(_{m}E_{2})^{s,s+n} = (\mathbf{Z}_{2}[q_{0}, \{\tau_{j}; j \leq m-1\}, q_{0}q_{m+1}^{2}])^{s,s+n} \quad \text{if} \quad s \geq s_{0}^{"}.$$

 $q_0q_{m+1}^2$  is a permanent cycle and  $\tau_m$  is represented by  $q_0q_{m+1}^2$ . Put  $s_0(n, m+1) = s_0''(n, m)$  then

$$Ext_{B(m+1)}^{s,s+n}(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2) = (\mathbf{Z}_2[q_0, \{\tau_j; j \leq m\}])^{s,s+n}$$
 if  $s \geq s_0(n, m+1)$ .

From the fact that  $Ext_B^{s,s+n}(Z_2, Z_2) \cong Ext_{B(m)}^{s,s+n}(Z_2, Z_2)$  if  $2^{m+2}-3>n$ , the lemma follows.

Let

$$G = {}_{m}G = A/A\overline{B(m)} \otimes (H\mathbf{Z}_{2})^{*}(MSp) = (H\mathbf{Z}_{2})^{*}({}_{m}M) \otimes (H\mathbf{Z}_{2})^{*}(MSp)$$

(A operating on  $(HZ_2)^*(MSp)$  trivially), where m=0 or 1 and  $_0M=H$ ,  $_1M=bo$ . And we define a map

$$\Phi = {}_{m}\Phi \colon G \rightarrow (HZ_{2})^{*}(M \wedge MSp) \quad (M = {}_{m}M)$$

by  $\Phi([a] \otimes u) = \sum [a_i'] \cdot a_i''u$  for  $a \in A$ ,  $u \in (H\mathbb{Z}_2)^*(MSp)$ , where  $\psi(a) = \sum a_i' \otimes a_i''$ . Then we have

**Lemma 3.7.** (Cf. [1], §16)  $\Phi$  is an isomorphism of graded coalgebras and A-modules.

We identify G and  $(HZ_2)^*(M \wedge MSp)$  by  $\Phi$ .

## Corollary 3.8.

- (1)  $E_2(H \wedge MSp) = \mathbb{Z}_2[q_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i, \dots].$
- (2)  $E_2(bo \wedge MSp) = E_2(bo) \otimes \mathbf{Z}_2[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i, \dots].$

Here  $v_i \in E_2^{0,4}(_mM \wedge MSp)$ , where

$$v_i = [\zeta_i]$$
 if  $i = 2^j - 1$ ,  $v_i = [V_i]$  if  $i \neq 2^a - 1$ 

 $((H\mathbf{Z}_2)_*(MSp) = A^{\prime\prime} \otimes S^{\prime\prime}).$ 

#### Corollary 3.9.

(1)  $E_{\infty}(H \wedge MSp) = E_2(H \wedge MSp)$ .

Therefore we have

$$F^sH_n(MSp) = \{x \in H_n(MSp); 2^s \mid x\}$$
.

(2)  $E_{\infty}(bo \wedge MSp) = E_{2}(bo \wedge MSp)$ .

**Lemma 3.10.** For any  $u \in (HZ_2)^*(MSp)$ , we have

$$(u^M \wedge 1)*(1 \otimes u) = u$$
,

where  $(u^M \wedge 1)^*$ :  $G \rightarrow (H\mathbf{Z}_2)^*(MSp)$ .

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Proof. For any  $v \in (HZ_{\bullet})_{*}(MSp)$ , we can prove by diagram chaising that

$$(u^M \wedge 1)_*(v) = 1 \cdot v \in (H\mathbf{Z}_2)_*(M \wedge MSp)$$
.

Therefore we have

$$(u^M \wedge 1)*(1 \cdot u) = u$$

for any  $u \in (HZ_2)^*(MSp)$ , where  $(u^M \wedge 1)^* : (HZ_2)^*(M \wedge MSp) \rightarrow (HZ_2)^*(MSp)$ . Since  $\Phi^{-1}(1 \cdot u) = 1 \otimes u$ , the lemma follows.

For any ring spectrum X and any spectrum Y,  $u^X \wedge 1$ :  $Y \rightarrow X \wedge Y$  induces the spectral sequence map

$$h^X : E^{**}(Y) \rightarrow E^{**}(X \wedge Y)$$
.

For X=H, we denote  $h^X$  simply by h.

#### Lemma 3.11.

- (1-a)  $h(v_i) = v_i$  if  $i \neq 2^a 1$ .
- (1-b)  $h(Ext_B(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2))$  is contained in the ring

$$_{0}R = \mathbf{Z}_{2}[q_{0}, v_{1}, v_{3}, \cdots, v_{2^{a}-1}, \cdots].$$

- (1-c)  $h(\tau_j) = q_0^3(v_{2^{j+1}-1} + \text{demcoposables in } \mathbf{Z}_2[v_1, v_3, \dots, v_{2^{d}-1}, \dots]) \in {}_{\scriptscriptstyle{0}}R.$
- (2-a)  $h^{bo}(v_i) = v_i$  if  $i \neq 2^a 1$ .
- (2-b)  $h^{bo}(Ext_B(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2))$  is contained in the ring

$$_{1}R = Ext_{R(1)}(\mathbf{Z}_{0}, \mathbf{Z}_{0}) \otimes \mathbf{Z}_{0}[v_{1}, v_{2}, \cdots, v_{n}]$$

- (2-c)  $h^{bo}(\tau_j) = \tau_0(v_{2^{j-1}}^2 + \text{other terms in } \mathbf{Z}_2[v_1, v_3, \cdots, v_{2^{j-1}}]) + q_0^3(v_{2^{j+1}-1} + \text{decomposables in } \mathbf{Z}_2[v_1, v_3, \cdots, v_{2^{d-1}}, \cdots]) \in {}_1R,$  where  $v_0 = 1$ .
  - (2-c') Let  $u \in (\mathbf{Z}_2[q_0, \{\tau_a\}])^{s,t} \subset Ext_B^{s,t}(\mathbf{Z}_2, \mathbf{Z}_2)$ . Then we have

$$h^{bo}(u) \in \mathbb{Z}_2[q_0, \tau_0, \{v_{2^a-1}\}]$$

and

$$h^{bo}(u) \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{2}[q_{0}, \{v_{2^{a}-1}\}]$$
 if  $u \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{2}[q_{0}]$ .

(2-d) 
$$h^{bo}(k_j) = k_0(v_{2^{j-1}} + \text{decomposables in } \mathbf{Z}_2[v_1, v_3, \dots, v_{2^{d-1}}, \dots]) \in {}_{1}R.$$

Proof. We porve only (2). We can prove (1) in the same way. Applying Lemma 3.1 to the resolution  $B(n) \otimes Y(n)$ , we obtain an A-free resolution of  $A/A\overline{B(n)}$ :

$$A/A\overline{B(n)} \stackrel{\mathcal{E}}{\leftarrow} A \stackrel{d}{\leftarrow} A \otimes Y(n)_1 \stackrel{d}{\leftarrow} \cdots \stackrel{d}{\leftarrow} A \otimes Y(n)_s \stackrel{d}{\leftarrow} \cdots$$

Then  $(A \otimes Y(1) \otimes A'' \otimes S'', d \otimes 1 \otimes 1, \varepsilon \otimes 1 \otimes 1)$  is an A-free resolution of

$$_{1}G = A/A\overline{B(1)} \otimes A'' \otimes S''$$

and  $(A \otimes Y(\infty) \otimes S'', d \otimes 1, \beta \otimes 1)$  an A-free resolution of

$$(H\mathbf{Z}_2)^*(MSp) = A'' \otimes S''$$
.

We can define an A-homomorphism  $f_s: A \otimes Y(1)_s \otimes A'' \to A \otimes Y(\infty)_s$  for each  $s \ge 0$  such that

$$\{f_s \otimes 1; A \otimes Y(1)_s \otimes A'' \otimes S'' \rightarrow A \otimes Y(\infty)_s \otimes S''\}$$

is a homomorphism of A-free resolutions, that is,

$$(u^{bo} \wedge 1)^*(\mathcal{E} \otimes 1 \otimes 1) = (\beta \otimes 1)(f_0 \otimes 1)$$
$$(f_* \otimes 1)(d \otimes 1 \otimes 1) = (d \otimes 1)(f_{*+1} \otimes 1) \quad \text{for any } s \ge 0,$$

where  $(u^{bo} \wedge 1)^* : A/A\overline{B(1)} \otimes A'' \otimes S'' \rightarrow A'' \otimes S''$  (Cf. Lemma 3.10). Partial construction of  $\{f_s\}$  is given as the following  $((\circ) \sim (iii), (i'))$ .

- (o) For  $(\zeta_1^{n_1}\zeta_2^{n_2}\cdots\zeta_j^{n_j}\cdots)^*\in A''=Y(1)_0\otimes A''$ ,  $f_0[(\zeta_1^{n_1}\zeta_2^{n_2}\cdots\zeta_j^{n_j}\cdots)^*]=(\zeta_1^{4n_1}\zeta_2^{4n_2}\cdots\zeta_j^{4n_j}\cdots)^*\in A=A\otimes Y(\infty)_0.$
- (i)  $f_1(\langle \Delta_0 \rangle \otimes 2_{j-1}) = 8_{j-1}\langle \Delta_0 \rangle + 6_{j-1}\langle \Delta_j \rangle$  for  $j \ge 2$ ,  $f_1(\langle \Delta_0 \rangle \otimes 2_0) = 8_0\langle \Delta_0 \rangle + 6_0\langle \Delta_1 \rangle + 2_0\langle \Delta_2 \rangle$ ,  $f_1(\langle \Delta_1 \rangle \otimes 2_{j-1}) = 8_{j-1}\langle \Delta_1 \rangle + 4_{j-1}\langle \Delta_{j+1} \rangle$ ,  $f_1(\langle \Delta_0 \rangle \otimes 1_j) = 4_j\langle \Delta_0 \rangle + 2_j\langle \Delta_{j+1} \rangle$ .
- (iii)  $f_3(\langle \Delta_0 + 2\Delta_1 \rangle \otimes 2_{j-1}) = 8_{j-1}\langle \Delta_0 + 2\Delta_1 \rangle + 6_{j-1}\langle 2\Delta_1 + \Delta_j \rangle$   $+ 4_{j-1}\langle \Delta_0 + \Delta_1 + \Delta_{j+1} \rangle + 2_{j-1}\langle \Delta_1 + \Delta_j + \Delta_{j+1} \rangle + \langle \Delta_0 + 2\Delta_{j+1} \rangle$ ,  $f_3(\langle 3\Delta_0 \rangle \otimes 1_j) = 4_j\langle 3\Delta_0 \rangle + 2_j\langle 2\Delta_0 + \Delta_{j+1} \rangle + \langle \Delta_0 + 2\Delta_{j+1} \rangle$ .
- (i')  $f_1([\Delta_0 \otimes (0)] \otimes 1_{j-1}) = 4_{j-1} \Delta_0 \otimes (0) + 1_0 1_j \Delta_{j-1} \otimes (0) + \Delta_j \otimes (0)$  for  $j \ge 2$ ,  $f_1([\Delta_0 \otimes (0)] \otimes 1_0) = 4_0 \Delta_0 \otimes (0) + \Delta_1 \otimes (0)$ .

We have

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$$Hom_A(f_s \otimes 1, 1) = f_s^* \otimes 1 \colon Y(\infty)_s^* \otimes S'' \to Y(1)_s^* \otimes A'' \otimes S'',$$

where  $f_s^*: Y(\infty)_s^* \to Y(1)_s^* \otimes A''$  and  $1: S''^* \to S''^*$ . So we obtain (2-a) and (2-b). By (iii), we obtain

 $f_s^*(y_0y_{j+1}^2+x_0x_jy_{j+1})=y_0y_1^2\otimes\zeta_j^2+\text{other terms in }Y(1)^*\otimes A''\qquad\text{for }j\geqq 1$  and

$$f_3^*(y_0y_{j+1}^2 + x_0x_jy_{j+1}) = y_0^3 \otimes \zeta_{j+1} + \text{other terms in } Y(1)^* \otimes A''$$
.

Obviously we have  $f_3^*(y_0y_1^2+x_0^2y_1)=y_0y_1^2\otimes 1+$  other terms, so that

$$f_{s}^{*}(y_{0}y_{j+0}^{2}+x_{0}x_{j}y_{j+1})=y_{0}y_{1}^{2}\otimes\zeta_{j}^{2}+y_{0}^{3}\otimes\zeta_{j+1}+\text{other terms in }Y(1)^{*}\otimes A''$$
 for  $j\geq 0$ ,

where  $\zeta_0=1$ . No  $y_0y_1^2+$  other terms in  $(Y(1)_3^*)^7$  is coboundary and  $Ext_{B_0^{1,7}}(Z_2, Z_2)=\{0, \tau_0\}$ .  $(Y(1)_3^*)^3=\{0, y_0^3\}$ . Therefore we have

$$h^{bo}(\tau_j) = \tau_0 v_2^2 i_{-1} + q_0^3 v_2^2 i_{-1} + \text{other terms in } {}_1R$$
.

From the dimensional reason, (2-c) follows.

(2-d) can be proven by (i').

Now we prove (2-c'). We define a ring homomorphism

$$\gamma \colon \boldsymbol{Z_{2}}[q_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}, \, \tau_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}, \, \{v_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}{}^{\scriptscriptstyle a}{}_{\scriptscriptstyle -1}\}] {\to} \boldsymbol{Z_{2}}[\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}, \, \{v_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}{}^{\scriptscriptstyle a}{}_{\scriptscriptstyle -1}\}]$$

by  $\gamma(q_0)=0$ ,  $\gamma(\tau_0)=\tau_0$ ,  $\gamma(v_2^a_{-1})=v_2^a_{-1}$ . And we define a decreasing flitration  $\{F^s\}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_2[\tau_0, \{v_2^a_{-1}\}]$  by

$$F^0 = Z_2[\tau_0, \{v_2{}^a_{-1}\}],$$
  
 $F^{s+1} = \text{(the ideal of } F^0 \text{ generated by } \{v_2{}^a_{-1}; a \ge 1\} F^s)$ 

Then  $F^sF^t \subset F^{s+t}$  and  $\gamma h^{bo}(\tau_j) \equiv \tau_0 v_2^2 i_{-1}$  mod higher filtration. Let

$$egin{aligned} u &= q_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}^{s'} u', \, s' \! \geq \! 0, \, u' \! \in \! \mathbf{Z}_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}[q_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}, \, \{\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle a}\}] \;, \\ u' &\text{ is not divisible by } q_{\scriptscriptstyle 0} &\text{ in } \mathbf{Z}_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}[q_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}, \, \{\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle a}\}] \;. \end{aligned}$$

If  $u \notin \mathbb{Z}_2[q_0]$  then u' has the form

$$u' = \sum_{\substack{0 \le s_0 \le m, \\ 0 \le s_1, \dots, s_j, \dots, \\ (s_0, s_1, \dots, s_j, \dots) \ne (0)}} b^{(s_0, s_1, \dots, s_j, \dots)} \tau_0^{s_0 \tau_1^{s_1} \dots \tau_s^{s_j} \dots + q_0 u''},$$

 $(m \ge 0 \text{ and there is } (s_1, \dots, s_j, \dots) \text{ such that } b^{(m,s_1,\dots,s_j,\dots)} \ne 0).$  We have

$$s_0 + s_1 + \dots + s_j + \dots = (s - s')/3$$
 if  $b^{(s_0, s_1, \dots, s_j, \dots)} \neq 0$ .

Therefore we obtain

$$\gamma h^{bo}(u') \equiv \sum_{\substack{0 \leq s_1, \, \cdots, \, s_j, \, \cdots, \\ (m, \, s_1, \, \cdots, \, s_j, \, \cdots) \neq (0)}} b^{(m, \, s_1, \, \cdots s_j, \, \cdots)} \tau_0^m (v_0 v_1^2)^{s_1} \cdots (\tau_0 v_2^{s_{j-1}})^{s_j} \cdots$$
 mod higher filtration,

so that (2-c') is proven.

By Lemma 3.11, (2-a) and (2-d), we obtain

**Proposition 3.12.** Let k be an integer, and  $x \in MSp_{4k+1}$  represented by an element  $\pm 0$  of  $E_{\infty}^{1,1+(4k+1)}(MSp)$ . Then  $h^{KO}(x) \pm 0$  in  $KO_{4k+1}(MSp)$ .

Proof.  $Ext_B^1(Z_2, Z_2)$  is a  $Z_2$ -vector space generated by  $\{q_0, k_0, k_1, \dots, k_j, \dots\}$ .

By Lemma 3.6 and Lemma 3.11, (1), we obtain

**Lemma 3.13.** Let s, t be integers, and  $u \in E_{\infty}^{s,t}(MSp)$  such that  $q_0^n u \neq 0$  for any integer  $n \geq 0$ . Then  $h(u) \neq 0$  in  $E_{\infty}^{s,t}(H \wedge MSp)$ .

REMARK. Lemma 3.13 follows also from [12], PROPOSITION 3.2.

#### 4. Proof of Thorem 1.1

For any integer k, we denote by  $g_k$  the composition of the following sequence of homomorphism

$$MSp_{4k} \otimes \mathbf{Q} \xrightarrow{h} H_{4k}(MSp) \otimes \mathbf{Q} \xrightarrow{p_k} \mathbf{Q}$$
,

where  $p_k(x)$  is the coefficient of  $q_k$  in x for any  $x \in H_{4k}(MSp) \otimes Q$ . We have the commutative diagram

$$MSp_{4k}/Tors \xrightarrow{q} Q_{4k}(MSp_*/Tors) \xrightarrow{u_1} Z$$

$$\downarrow i \qquad \qquad \downarrow i_* \qquad \qquad \downarrow u_2$$

$$W^{KO}_{4k} \xrightarrow{q} Q_{4k}(W^{KO}_*)$$

Here q denotes the quotient map, and  $u_1$ ,  $u_2$  are the maps such that

$$g_k | MSp_{4k}/Tors = u_1 \circ q, g_k | W_{4k}^{KO} = u_2 \circ q$$

(Cf. Corollary 2.2 and (2.4)). Since  $u_2$  is a monomorphism, Theorem 1.1 is equivalent to

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(4.1)  $g_k(MSp_{Ak}/Tors) \supset g_k(W_{Ak}^{KO})$  for any integer k.

By [9], (6.4), we have

 $(4.2) MSp_*/Tors \otimes \mathbf{Z}[\frac{1}{2}] = W_*^{KO} \otimes \mathbf{Z}[\frac{1}{2}].$ 

Therefore (4.1) is equivalennt to

 $(4.3) 2<sup>s</sup> | g<sub>k</sub>(MSp<sub>4k</sub>/Tors) \Rightarrow 2<sup>s</sup> | g<sub>k</sub>(W<sup>KO</sup><sub>4k</sub>) for any integer k.$ 

Let E be a ring spectrum. Then, obviously, we have

 $(4.4) f_*(W_*^E) \subset W_{*-*}^E.$ 

for any morphism  $f: MSp \rightarrow MSp$  of degree -n, where  $f_*: MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q} \rightarrow MSp_{*-n} \otimes \mathbf{Q}$ .

Making use of Proposition 2.6, Lemma 2.5 and (4.4), we can prove the following proposition in the same way as that of Segal [13].

## Proposition 4.1.

- (1) For any integer k,  $g_k(W_{4k}^{KO})$  is divisible by 2. If k is a power of 2 then it is divisible by 4.
- (2) Let k be an odd integer. Then  $h(W_{4k}^{KO})$  is divisible by 4 in  $H_{4k}(MSp)$ . In particular,  $g_k(W_{4k}^{KO})$  is divisible by 4.

And further, making use of some results in §3, we obtain

**Proposition 4.2.** If  $k=2^{j}-1$ , j an integer > 0, then  $g_k(W_{4k}^{KO})$  is divisible by 8.

Proof. Let  $x \in W_{4k}^{KO}$  and  $x \neq 0$ . By Lemma 3.6, there is an integer  $n \geq 0$  such that  $2^n x \in MSp_{4k}/Tors \subset MSp_{4k}$  is represented by an element of  $\mathbb{Z}_2[q_0, \{\tau_m\}, \{v_i; i \neq 2^a - 1\}] \cap E_{\infty}(MSp)$ . Let  $2^n x$  be represented by  $u \in E_{\infty}^s(MSp)$ ,  $s \geq 0$ .

(i) In case  $u \in \mathbb{Z}_2[q_0, \{v_i; i \neq 2^a - 1\}]$ : There is a decomposable element  $y \in H_{4k}(MSp)$  such that

$$h(2^n x) \equiv y \bmod F^{s+1} H_{4k}(MSp).$$

Therefore, by Corollary 3.9, (1),  $g_k(2^nx)$  is divisible by  $2^{s+1}$ , so that  $g_k(x)$  is divisible by  $2^{s+1-n}$ . By Lemma 3.13,  $h(2^nx)$  is not divisible by  $2^{s+1}$ , so that h(x) is not divisible by  $2^{s+1-n}$ . By Proposition 4.1, (2), we have  $s+1-n\geq 3$ . Consequently  $g_k(x)$  is divisible by 8.

(ii) In case  $u \in \mathbb{Z}_2[q_0, \{v_i; i \neq 2^a - 1\}]$ : By Lemma 3.11, (2-a) and (2-c'), we have

$$h^{bo}(u) \oplus \mathbf{Z}_2[q_0, \{v_i\}] \subset E_\infty(bo \wedge MSp)$$
.

By (2.2),  $h^{bo}(x) \in bo_{4k}(MSp)$ . Let  $h^{bo}(x)$  be represented by  $w \in E_{\infty}^{*,*+4k}(bo \wedge MSp)$ . By Proposition 3.4, (2),  $h^{bo}(2^nx) = 2^nh^{bo}(x)$  is represented by  $q_0^nw$ , so that

$$h^{bo}(u) = q_0^n w, w \in E_*^{s-n}(bo \wedge MSp).$$

Then  $w \notin \mathbb{Z}_2[q_0, \{v_i\}]$ , so that  $s-n \ge 3$ .  $h(2^n x)$  is divisible by  $2^s$ , so that h(x) is divisible by  $2^{s-n}$ . Consequently h(x) is divisible by 8.

Let  $n_j(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r) \in MSp_{2N-4j}$  be the Stong-Ray classes in [11], where  $N = \sum_{i=1}^r (2n_i - 1)$ .

## Proposition 4.3.

(1) (Segal [13]) For an even integer k>0, we define integers  $s_k$  and  $t_k$  as follows. If k is not a power of 2 then we define  $s_k=2^u+1$ ,  $2^u$  the largest power of 2 less than k, and  $t_k=k-s_k+2$ . If  $k=2^j$  then we define  $s_k=t_k=2^{j-1}+1$ . Then we have

$$g_{k}(n_{1}(s_{k}, t_{k})) \equiv \begin{cases} 2 \mod 4 & \text{if } k \equiv 0 \mod 2, \ k \neq 2^{j} \\ 4 \mod 8 & \text{if } k = 2^{j} \end{cases}$$

(2) Using the notation of (1), we have

$$g_k(n_2(s_{k+1}, t_{k+1})) \equiv \begin{cases} 4 \mod 8 & \text{if } k \equiv 1 \mod 2, \ k \neq 2^j - 1 \\ 8 \mod 16 & \text{if } k = 2^j - 1 \end{cases}$$

(Segal [13] has proven the fact that  $g_k(MSp_{4k}/Tors)$  is not divisible by 8 if  $k \equiv 1 \mod 2$ ,  $k \neq 2^j - 1$ .).

Now (4.3) follows from Propositions 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3, so that Theorem 1.1 is proven.

As a corollary to Proposition 4.3, we obtain

**Proposition 4.4.**  $\{n_j(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r) \in MSp_*\}$  generates  $Q(MSp_*/Tors) \cong Q(W_*^{KO})$ .

Proof. From Stong [17], Theorem 1, it follows that  $\{n_1(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r)\}$  generates  $Q(MSp_*/Tors) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$  for any odd prime p.

## 5. Proof of Theorem 1.2 and some remarks

For integers k,  $s \ge 0$ , we put

$$F_1^s = h(MSp_{4k}) \cap F^s H_{4k}(MSp)$$

and

$$F_2^s = h(W_{4k}^{KO}) \cap F^s H_{4k}(MSp).$$

The following lemma follows immediately from the definition.

**Lemma 5.1.** For m=1 or 2, the inclusion  $F_m^s \to H_{4k}(MSp)$  induces the monomorphism

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$$F_m^s/F_m^{s+1} \rightarrow F^sH_{4k}(MSp)/F^{s+1}H_{4k}(MSp) = E_{\infty}^{s,s+4k}(H \wedge MSp)$$
.

**Lemma 5.2.**  $MSp_{4k}/Tors = W_{4k}^{KO}$  if and only if

$$F_1^s/F_1^{s+1} = F_2^s/F_2^{s+1} \subset E_{\infty}^{s,s+4k}(H \wedge MSp) \quad \text{for any } s \ge 0.$$

Proof. By (4.2), we have

$$h(MSp_{4k})\otimes Z[\frac{1}{2}] = h(W_{4k}^{KO})\otimes Z[\frac{1}{2}].$$

Therefore there is an integer  $s_0 = s_0(k)$  such that  $F_1^s = F_2^s$  for any  $s \ge s_0$ . Then it is easy to see that  $h(MSp_{4k}) = h(W_{4k}^{KO})$  if and only if

$$F_1^s/F_1^{s+1} = F_2^s/F_2^{s+1}$$
 for any  $s \ge 0$ .

Since  $h: MSp_* \otimes Q \rightarrow H_*(MSp) \otimes Q$  is an isomorphism, the lemma follows.

By Theorem 1.1, Proposition 2.6, Lemmas 3.13, 5.2 and Segal [12], TABLE II, we obtain

**Lemma 5.3.**  $MSp_{ak}/Tors = W_{ak}^{KO}$  for  $k \le 7$ .

By Lemma 5.3, Proposition 2.6, Lemma 3.11, (2) and [12], TABLE II, we can prove

#### Lemma 5.4.

order of 
$$MSp_n$$
 = order of  $h^{KO}(MSp_n)$ 

for  $n \leq 30$ ,  $n \equiv 0 \mod 4$ .

Since  $MSp_{4k}$  is torsion free for  $k \le 7$  by [12], Theorem 1.2 follows from Lemmas 5.3 and 5.4.

Making use of the Ray classes  $\phi_i \in MSp_{si-3}$  in [8], we can immediately calculate the ring structure of  $MSp_*$  in dimensions  $\leq 30$  except the values of  $\alpha \tilde{x}_7$  and  $\alpha^2 \tilde{x}_7$ , where  $\alpha$  is the generator of  $MSp_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$  (Cf. Ray [10], (5·25)). For example, we have

Proposition 5.5. For  $k \le 5$ ,

$$x_1^2 M S p_{4k+1} \subset \alpha M S p_{4k+8}$$
 and  $x_1^2 M S p_{4k+2} \subset \alpha^2 M S p_{4k+8}$ .

We can calculate the Hurewicz map (1.1) for n=17:

**Proposition 5.6.** There is an indecomposable element  $\tau \in MSp_{17}$  such that

$$h^{KO}(\tau) = e(\sigma_2^2 + y\sigma_2).$$

Proof. Using the notation of [12],  $x_1^2$  is represented by  $\omega_0$  and  $2y_4$  by  $q_0v_2^2$ . Therefore  $2x_1^2y_4$  is represented by  $q_0\omega_0v_2^2$ . Since

$$2(x_1x_2x_3+x_1^2(x_2^2+y_4+x_4)) \equiv 2x_1^2y_4 \mod F^6MSp_{24}$$
,

 $x_1x_2x_3 + x_1^2(x_2^2 + y_4 + x_4)$  is represented by  $\omega_0v_2^2$ .

Let  $\tau' \in MSp_{17}$  be a class represented by  $k_0v_2^2$ . Then  $x_1^2\tau'$  is represented by  $k_0\omega_0v_2^2$ , so that

$$x_1^2 \tau' \equiv \alpha(x_1 x_2 x_3 + x_1^2(x_2^2 + y_4 + x_4)) \mod F^6 M S p_{25}$$
.

Therefore

$$yh^{KO}(\tau') = h^{KO}(x_1^2\tau') \equiv ye(\sigma_2^2 + y\sigma_2) \mod h^{KO}(F^6MSp_{25})$$
.

Since  $h^{KO}(F^6MSp_{25})=yh^{KO}(F^2MSp_{17})$ , there is an element  $\lambda \in F^2MSp_{17}$  such that

$$yh^{KO}(\tau') = ye(\sigma_2^2 + y\sigma_2) + yh^{KO}(\lambda),$$
  
 $h^{KO}(\tau') = e(\sigma_2^2 + y\sigma_2) + h^{KO}(\lambda).$ 

We may take  $\tau = \tau' + \lambda$ .

Let  $_UE_*^{**}(MSp)$  denote the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence for  $MSp_*$  (Cf. [5]). Proposition 2.6 shows us the structure of

$$MSp_*/Tors = {}_{U}E^{0*}_{\infty}(MSp) \subset {}_{U}E^{0*}_{2}(MSp)$$

in low dimensions:

#### Proposition 5.7.

- (1) (Porter [6])  ${}_{U}E_{2}^{0*}(MSp) \cong \{x \in MSp_{*} \otimes \mathbf{Q}; r_{*}(x) \in MU_{*}\}.$
- $(2) \quad \{x \in MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q}; r_*(x) \in MU_*\} = W_*^K.$

Proof of (2). Consider the commutative diagram

$$MSp_* \otimes \mathbf{Q} \xrightarrow{h^K} K_*(MSp) \otimes \mathbf{Q}$$

$$\downarrow r_* \qquad \qquad \downarrow r_*$$

$$MU_* \otimes \mathbf{Q} \xrightarrow{h^K} K_*(MU) \otimes \mathbf{Q}.$$

Then  $r_*: K_*(MSp) \to K_*(MU)$  is a split monomorphism. And, by Hattori [2] or Stong [16],  $h^K: MU_* \to K_*(MU)$  is a split monomorphism.

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