

## ON THE KO-COHOMOLOGIES OF THE STUNTED LENS SPACES

Dedicated to Professor Hirosi Toda on his 60th birthday

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**1. Introduction.** In this note, we consider the  $KO$ -cohomologies of the stunted lens spaces. In order to state our theorem we recall some notation in [4].

For the  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional standard lens space  $L^n(q) = S^{2n+1}/Z_q \text{ mod } q$ , we set

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} L_q^{2n+1} &= L^n(q), \\ L_q^{2n} &= \{[z_0, \dots, z_n] \in L^n(q) \mid z_n \text{ is real } \geq 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $\text{ord } G$  the order of a finite group  $G$ .

The following theorem is immediately obtained (cf. [9]).

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $q \geq 3$  be an odd integer, then*

$$(1) \quad \widetilde{KO}^{-2j-1}(L_q^{2m}/L_q^{2n}) \cong 0.$$

$$(2) \quad \text{i) } \widetilde{KO}^{-2j}(L_q^{2m}/L_q^{2n}) \cong \widetilde{K}^{-2j}(L_q^{2m}/L_q^{2n})/(1-t)\widetilde{K}^{-2j}(L_q^{2m}/L_q^{2n}),$$

where  $t: K \rightarrow K$  is the complex conjugation.

$$\text{ii) } \text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-2j}(L_q^{2m}/L_q^{2n}) = q^{\lfloor (m+j)/2 \rfloor - \lfloor (n+j)/2 \rfloor}.$$

$$(3) \quad \widetilde{KO}^{-2j-1}(L_q^{2m}/L_q^{2n+1}) \cong \widetilde{KO}(S^{2n+2j+3}).$$

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$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \widetilde{KO}^{-2j}(L_q^{2m+1}/L_q^{2n+1}) \\ \cong \widetilde{KO}^{-2j}(L_q^{2m}/L_q^{2n+2}) \oplus \widetilde{KO}(S^{2n+2j+2}) \oplus \widetilde{KO}(S^{2m+2j+1}). \end{aligned}$$

As defined in [1], we denote by  $\phi(n_1, n_2)$  the number of integers  $s$  with

$n_2 < s \leq n_1$  and  $s \equiv 0, 1, 2$  or  $4 \pmod{8}$ , so that  $\phi(n_1, n_2) = \phi(n_1, 0) - \phi(n_2, 0)$  with

$$\phi(n, 0) = \begin{cases} \lfloor n/2 \rfloor & (n \equiv 0, 6 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8}) \\ \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1 & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases}$$

Let  $h: Z \rightarrow Z$  be the function defined by

$$(1.2) \quad h(s) = \begin{cases} 2 & (s \equiv 1 \pmod{8}) \\ 1 & (s \equiv 0 \text{ or } 2 \pmod{8}) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases}$$

Main result is the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.** (1) *If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then we have*

$$\text{ord } \widetilde{K\tilde{O}}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) = 2^{\varphi(m+j, n-j)} q^{\lfloor m/4 \rfloor - \lfloor n/4 \rfloor}.$$

(2) *If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{K\tilde{O}}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \widetilde{K\tilde{O}}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \oplus Z.$$

(3) *If  $j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+2$ , then the groups  $\widetilde{K\tilde{O}}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n)$  are tabled as follows.*

| $m+j \pmod{4} \backslash n+j \pmod{8}$ | 0                         | 1                | 2                | 3                |
|--|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 0                                      | $Z \oplus Z_2 \oplus Z_2$ | $Z_2 \oplus Z_2$ | $Z_2 \oplus Z_2$ | $Z_2 \oplus Z_2$ |
| 1                                      | $Z \oplus Z_2$            | $Z_2$            | $Z_2$            | $Z_2$            |
| 2                                      | $Z$                       | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| 3                                      | $Z$                       | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| 4                                      | $Z$                       | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| 5                                      | $Z$                       | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| 6                                      | $Z$                       | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| 7                                      | $Z \oplus Z_2$            | $Z_2$            | $Z_2$            | $Z_2$            |

(4) *If  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+3$ , then we have*

$$\text{ord } \widetilde{K\tilde{O}}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) = 2^{h(m+j) + h(n+j)} q^{\lfloor (m+2)/4 \rfloor - \lfloor (n+2)/4 \rfloor}.$$

(5) *If  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+3$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \begin{cases} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \oplus Z & (n+j \equiv 3 \pmod{8}) \\ (\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1})/G) \oplus Z & (n+j \equiv 7 \pmod{8}), \end{cases}$$

where  $G$  denotes the kernel of the homomorphism

$$(p_{m,n})^!: \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n)$$

induced by the projection  $p_{m,n}: L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n \rightarrow L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}$ , and  $\text{ord } G$  is equal to 2.

(6) If  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+2$ , then we have

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \begin{cases} Z & (m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}) \\ Z_2 \oplus Z_2 & (m+j \equiv 2 \pmod{8}) \\ Z_2 & (m+j \equiv 1 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8}) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases}$$

**Remark 1.** If  $m = n+1$ , then we have a homeomorphism

$$S^j(L_{2q}^{n+1}/L_{2q}^n) \simeq S^{j+n+1},$$

and the group  $\widetilde{KO}(S^{j+n+1})$  is well known.

**Remark 2.** If  $m = n+2$ , then we have homotopy equivalences

$$S^j(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \simeq \begin{cases} S^{j-n+2} \vee S^{j+n+1} & (n: \text{ odd}) \\ S^{j-n}(L_{2q}^2) & (n: \text{ even}), \end{cases}$$

and parts (4) and (5) are true except the following cases :

i) If  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $m+j = n+j+2 \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$ , then we have

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong Z_2.$$

ii) If  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $m+j = n+j+2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then we have

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong Z \oplus Z_2.$$

**Remark 3.** The partial results for the case  $n = 0$  of Theorem 2 have been obtained in [11] (see also (2.3)).

**Remark 4.** The corresponding results for the case  $q = 1$  of Theorem 2 are included in [6]. Our results imply

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-2j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \widetilde{KO}^{-2j-1}(RP(m)/RP(n))$$

for any  $q$ .

Consider the homomorphism

$$(p_n^m)^!: \widetilde{K\mathcal{O}}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow \widetilde{K\mathcal{O}}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m)$$

induced by the projection

$$p_n^m: L_{2q}^m \rightarrow L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n.$$

Then, we have following result.

**Corollary 3.** *If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then the homomorphism  $(p_n^m)^!$  is a monomorphism.*

We prove Theorem 2 in section 3 after recalling some known facts in section 2.

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**2. Preliminaries.** In this section we fix integers  $m$  and  $n$  with  $0 \leq n < m$ . Set  $e^k = L_q^k - L_q^{k-1}$  for  $0 \leq k \leq m$ . Then the space  $L_q^m$  has the cell decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} L_q^m &= e^0 \cup e^1 \cup \dots \cup e^m, \\ \partial(e^{2k+1}) &= 0, \quad \partial(e^{2k}) = qe^{2k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

(2.1) *The cohomology groups of the pair  $(L_{2q}^m, L_{2q}^n)$  are given by*

$$\begin{aligned} &H^j(L_{2q}^m, L_{2q}^n; Z) \\ &\cong \begin{cases} Z & (j = m \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \text{ or } j = n+1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}) \\ Z_{2q} & (j \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \text{ and } n+1 < j \leq m) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}), \end{cases} \\ &H^j(L_{2q}^m, L_{2q}^n; Z_2) \cong \begin{cases} Z_2 & (n < j \leq m) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

We recall some known facts which are useful for the proof of Theorem 2.

(2.2) [11, (1.2) and (1.3)].

$$\begin{aligned} &Sq^2 \widetilde{H}^j(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n; Z_2) \\ &\cong \begin{cases} Z_2 & (j \equiv 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n < j \leq m-2) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(2.3) [11, Theorems (0.1) and (0.2)].

(1) If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , then

$$\text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m) = 2^{\varphi(m+j)} q^{\lfloor m/4 \rfloor}.$$

(2) If  $j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then the groups  $\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m)$  are tabled as follows.

|                |                |       |       |       |
|----------------|----------------|-------|-------|-------|
| $m+j \pmod{4}$ | 0              | 1     | 2     | 3     |
| $j \pmod{8}$   |                |       |       |       |
| 1              | $Z \oplus Z_2$ | $Z_2$ | $Z_2$ | $Z_2$ |
| 5              | $Z$            | 0     | 0     | 0     |

(3) If  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq 2$ , then we have

$$\text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m) = 2^{h(m+j)+h(j)} q^{\lfloor (m+2)/4 \rfloor},$$

where  $h: Z \rightarrow Z$  is the function defined by (1.2).

(4) If  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m) \cong \begin{cases} Z & (m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}) \\ Z_2 \oplus Z_2 & (m+j \equiv 2 \pmod{8}) \\ Z_2 & (m+j \equiv 1 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8}) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases}$$

Consider the homomorphism

$$(i_n^m)^!: \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^n)$$

induced by the inclusion

$$i_n^m: L_{2q}^n \rightarrow L_{2q}^m.$$

Then we have the following.

**Lemma 2.4.** (1) If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , then the homomorphism  $(i_n^m)^!$  is an epimorphism.

(2) If  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+3$ , then the homomorphism  $(i_n^m)^!$  is a zero-map.

*Proof.* (1) is obtained immediately from [7, Lemma 2.9]. From (4) of (2.3), (2) is clear except the case  $m = n+3$  and  $n+j \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ . Assume  $n+j \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then  $\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+2}) \cong Z_2$  and  $\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+2}/L_{2q}^n) \cong$

$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(S^n(L_{2q}^2)) \cong Z_2$ . In the exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^{n+2}) \xrightarrow{(i_n^{n+2})^!} \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+2}/L_{2q}^n) \\ \xrightarrow{(p_n^{n+2})^!} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+2}) \xrightarrow{(i_n^{n+2})^!} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

associated to the cofibration

$$L_{2q}^n \xrightarrow{i_n^{n+2}} L_{2q}^{n+2} \xrightarrow{p_n^{n+2}} L_{2q}^{n+2}/L_{2q}^n,$$

the homomorphism  $(i_n^{n+2})^! : \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^{n+2}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^n)$  is an epimorphism by (1). Hence,  $(p_n^{n+2})^!$  is an isomorphism. So the homomorphism  $(i_n^{n+2})^! : \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+2}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^n)$  is a zero-map and the homomorphism  $(i_n^{n+3})^! : \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+3}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^n)$  is a zero-map. q. e. d.

**Remark.** By the above proof, we see that (2) of (2.4) is also true for the cases  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $m = n+2$  and  $n+j \equiv 2 \pmod{8}$ .

Now consider the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequences for  $\widetilde{KO}^*(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n)$ :

$$\widetilde{E}_2^{*,*} \cong \widetilde{H}^*(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n; KO^*(pt)) \Rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^*(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n).$$

Then, as mentioned in [11], we have (cf. [5] and [10])

(2.5) *The differentials*

$$\begin{aligned} d_2^{i,8k} : E_2^{i,8k} &\rightarrow E_2^{i+2,8k-1}, \\ d_2^{i,8k-1} : E_2^{i,8k-1} &\rightarrow E_2^{i-2,8k-2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$d_3^{i,8k-2} : E_3^{i,8k-2} \rightarrow E_3^{i+3,8k-4}$$

are induced by  $Sq^2\rho_2$ ,  $Sq^2$  and  $\beta_2Sq^2$  respectively, where  $\rho_2$  is the reduction mod 2,  $Sq^2$  is the Steenrod operation and  $\beta_2$  is the Bockstein operation associated to the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Z \rightarrow Z \rightarrow Z_2 \rightarrow 0.$$

Using (2.1), (2.2) and (2.5), we obtain the following results, where  $\alpha(m, n)$  and  $\beta(m, n)$  denote non-negative integers with

$$\alpha(m, n) \leq \begin{cases} 1 & (m \equiv 0, 1 \text{ or } 2 \pmod{4}) \\ 2 & (m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}), \end{cases}$$

$$\beta(m, n) \leq \begin{cases} 1 & (n \equiv 0 \text{ or } 2 \pmod{4}) \\ 2 & (n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}). \end{cases}$$

(2.6) Assume  $m \geq n+3$ , then we have

(1) If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \\ &= \begin{cases} 2^{\varphi(m-j, n+j)} q^{\lfloor m/4 \rfloor - \lfloor n/4 \rfloor} & (m+j \equiv 0, 1, 6 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 1, 2, 4 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8}) \\ 2^{\varphi(m+j, n+j) - \alpha(m, n)} q^{\lfloor m/4 \rfloor - \lfloor n/4 \rfloor} & (m+j \equiv 2, 3, 4 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 1, 2, 4 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8}) \\ 2^{\varphi(m+j, n+j) - \beta(m, n)} q^{\lfloor m/4 \rfloor - \lfloor n/4 \rfloor} & (m+j \equiv 0, 1, 6 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 0 \text{ or } 6 \pmod{8}) \\ 2^{\varphi(m+j, n+j) - \alpha(m, n) - \beta(m, n)} q^{\lfloor m/4 \rfloor - \lfloor n/4 \rfloor} & (m+j \equiv 2, 3, 4 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 0 \text{ or } 6 \pmod{8}). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(2) If  $j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \\ & \cong \begin{cases} Z & (m \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 3, 4 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8}) \\ 0 & (m \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 2, 3, 4, 5 \text{ or } 6 \pmod{8}), \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \\ &= \begin{cases} 2^{2-\beta(m, n)} & (m \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 0 \pmod{8}) \\ 2^{1-\beta(m, n)} & (m \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 1 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8}). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(3) If  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then we have

$$\text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) = 2^{h(m+j)+h(n+j)} q^{\lfloor (m+2/4) \rfloor - \lfloor (n+2/4) \rfloor},$$

where  $h: Z \rightarrow Z$  is the function defined by (1.2).

(4) If  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then we have

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \begin{cases} Z & (m+j \equiv 0 \pmod{8} \text{ and } n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}) \\ 0 & (m+j \equiv 5, 6 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8}), \end{cases}$$

and

$$\text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) = \begin{cases} 2^{2-\alpha(m, n)} & (m+j \equiv 2 \pmod{8}) \\ 2^{1-\alpha(m, n)} & (m+j \equiv 1 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}). \end{cases}$$

**3. Proof of Theorem 2.** In this section we complete the proof of Theorem 2. Consider the exact sequence

$$(3.1) \quad \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \xrightarrow{(p_n^m)!} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m) \xrightarrow{(i_n^m)!} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow$$

associated to the cofibration

$$L_{2q}^n \xrightarrow{i_n^m} L_{2q}^m \xrightarrow{p_n^m} L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n,$$

where  $i_n^m$  and  $p_n^m$  are maps given in sections 2 and 1 respectively. It follows from the exactness of (3.1) by making use of (2.3), (2.6) and Lemma 2.4 that

$$(3.2) \quad \alpha(m, n) = \beta(m, n) = 0 \text{ for } m \geq n+3.$$

(3.3) *The homomorphism  $(p_n^m)!$  is an isomorphism for  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+3$ .*

Thus, using Remarks 1 and 2, we see

(3.4) (1) *If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then we have*

$$\text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) = 2^{\varphi(m+j, n+j)} q^{\lfloor m/4 \rfloor - \lfloor n/4 \rfloor}.$$

(2) *If  $j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+2$ , then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) &\cong Z_2 \\ &(m \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 1 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8}), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) &= 4 \\ &(m \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n+j \equiv 0 \pmod{8}). \end{aligned}$$

(3) *If  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+2$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \begin{cases} Z & (m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}) \\ Z_2 \oplus Z_2 & (m+j \equiv 2 \pmod{8}) \\ Z_2 & (m+j \equiv 1 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8}) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases}$$

**Remark.** (1) (3.4) implies Corollary 3.

(2) (3.3) is also true for the cases  $j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $m = n+2$  and  $n+j \not\equiv 2 \pmod{8}$ .

Now, consider the exact sequence

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{m+1}/L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j+1}(S^{m+1})$$

associated to the cofibration

$$L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n \rightarrow L_{2q}^{m+1}/L_{2q}^n \rightarrow S^{m+1}.$$

Then from (3.4), we obtain

(3.5) *If  $j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+2$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \begin{cases} Z \oplus Z_2 & (n+j \equiv 1 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8}) \\ Z & (n+j \equiv 2 \text{ or } 6 \pmod{8}). \end{cases}$$

Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \widetilde{KO}^{-j+1}(S^{m+1}) & = & \widetilde{KO}^{-j+1}(S^{m+1}) & & \\ \delta_1 \uparrow & & \uparrow \delta & & \\ \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+2}) & \xrightarrow{g} & \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) & \xrightarrow{f} & \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+2}/L_{2q}^n) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow k & & \parallel \\ \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{m+1}/L_{2q}^{n+2}) & \xrightarrow{g_1} & \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{m+1}/L_{2q}^n) & \xrightarrow{f_1} & \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{n+2}/L_{2q}^n) \end{array}$$

of the exact sequences, where the upper row is associated to the cofibration

$$L_{2q}^{n+2}/L_{2q}^n \rightarrow L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n \rightarrow L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+2}.$$

If  $j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $n+j \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$ , then  $L_{2q}^{n+2}/L_{2q}^n \simeq S^{n+2} \vee S^{n+1}$ ,  $\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{m+1}/L_{2q}^{n+2}) \cong 0$  and  $\text{ord } \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^{m+1}/L_{2q}^n)$  is equal to 4. This implies that  $f_1$  is an isomorphism and the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+2}) \xrightarrow{g} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \xrightarrow{f} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(S^{n+2} \vee S^{n+1}) \rightarrow 0$$

splits. Thus we obtain

(3.6) *If  $j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n+j \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$  and  $m \geq n+2$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \begin{cases} Z \oplus Z_2 \oplus Z_2 & (m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}) \\ Z_2 \oplus Z_2 & (m \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}). \end{cases}$$

Now we turn to the case  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $n+j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . Consider the exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.7) \quad & \widetilde{K}O^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \xrightarrow{(p_{m,n})^!} \widetilde{K}O^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \xrightarrow{(i_{m,n})^!} \widetilde{K}O^{-j-1}(S^{n+1}) \\
& \xrightarrow{\delta} \widetilde{K}O^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \xrightarrow{(p_{m,n})^!} \widetilde{K}O^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \xrightarrow{(i_{m,n})^!} \widetilde{K}O^{-j}(S^{n+1}) \\
& \xrightarrow{\delta} \widetilde{K}O^{-j+1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \xrightarrow{(p_{m,n})^!} \widetilde{K}O^{-j+1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \xrightarrow{(i_{m,n})^!} \widetilde{K}O^{-j+1}(S^{n+1})
\end{aligned}$$

associated to the cofibration

$$S^{n+1} \xrightarrow{i_{m,n}} L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n \xrightarrow{p_{m,n}} L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}.$$

In this case  $\widetilde{K}O^{-j+1}(S^{n+1}) \cong 0$ , and

$$\text{rk } \widetilde{K}O^{-j+1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) = \text{rk } \widetilde{K}O^{-j+1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n)$$

by (2.6), (3.4), (3.5) and (3.6). Hence we have

(3.8) *If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $n+j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then the image of the homomorphism*

$$\delta: \widetilde{K}O^{-j}(S^{n+1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}O^{-j+1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1})$$

*has a finite order.*

If  $n+j \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$ , then we have

$$\widetilde{K}O^{-j-1}(S^{n+1}) \cong 0.$$

It follows from (3.8) that we obtain a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \widetilde{K}O^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{K}O^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus we have

(3.9) *If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $n+j \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{K}O^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \widetilde{K}O^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \oplus Z.$$

Assume  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n+j \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$ ,  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \geq n+2$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \widetilde{K}O^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \cong Z_2, \\
& \widetilde{K}O^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong Z_2 \oplus Z_2, \\
& \widetilde{K}O^{-j-1}(S^{n+1}) \cong Z_2
\end{aligned}$$

by (3.4) and (3.6). This implies that, in the exact sequence (3.7), the homomorphism

$$(i_{m,n})^!: \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(S^{n+1})$$

is an epimorphism, and the homomorphism

$$\delta: \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(S^{n+1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1})$$

is a zero-map. Note that the homomorphism  $\delta$  is also a zero-map for the cases  $m = n+1$  or  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . It follows from (3.8) that we obtain a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus we obtain

(3.10) *If  $j \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $n+j \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \oplus Z.$$

Finally, assume  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n+j \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$  and  $m \geq n+3$ . Then, in the exact sequence (3.7), the homomorphism

$$(p_{m,n})^!: \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j-1}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n)$$

is an isomorphism by (3.3). Hence we obtain an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow Z_2 \rightarrow \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1}) \xrightarrow{(p_{m,n})^!} \widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$$

by (3.8). Thus we have

(3.11) *If  $j \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n+j \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$  and  $m \geq n+3$ , then we have*

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong (\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^{n+1})/G) \oplus Z,$$

where  $G$  denotes the kernel of the homomorphism  $(p_{m,n})^!$ .

Now, summarizing (2.6), (3.4), (3.5), (3.6), (3.9), (3.10) and (3.11), we obtain Theorem 2. The proof is thus completed.

**Additional Remark.** In view of the fact that the stunted lens spaces are Thom complexes, one may think of using the  $KO$ -theory Thom isomorphism in the computation of  $\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n)$ . It turns out that there is an

isomorphism

$$\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n) \cong KO^{-j-n-1}(L_{2q}^{m-n-1}) \text{ for } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4},$$

which is a generalized form of Proposition (2.1) of [6]. Combining this isomorphism with the results in Theorem 2, one can now get further information about  $\widetilde{KO}^{-j}(L_{2q}^m/L_{2q}^n)$ .

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