

## SPIN-STRUCTURES ON REAL BOTT MANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. Real Bott manifolds is a class of flat manifolds with holonomy group  $\mathbb{Z}_2^k$  of diagonal type. In this paper we formulate necessary and sufficient conditions of the existence of a Spin-structure on real Bott manifolds. It extends results of [9].

### 1. Introduction

Let  $M^n$  be a flat manifold of dimension  $n$ , i.e., a compact connected Riemannian manifold without boundary with zero sectional curvature. From the theorem of Bieberbach ([2], [17]) the fundamental group  $\pi_1(M^n) = \Gamma$  determines a short exact sequence:

$$(1) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \Gamma \xrightarrow{p} G \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  is a maximal torsion free abelian subgroup of rank  $n$  and  $G$  is a finite group which is isomorphic to the holonomy group of  $M^n$ . The universal covering of  $M^n$  is the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and hence  $\Gamma$  is isomorphic to a discrete cocompact subgroup of the isometry group  $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}^n) = O(n) \times \mathbb{R}^n = E(n)$ . In that case  $p : \Gamma \rightarrow G$  is a projection on the first component of the semidirect product  $O(n) \ltimes \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\pi_1(M^n) = \Gamma$  is a subgroup of  $O(n) \ltimes \mathbb{R}^n$ . Conversely, given a short exact sequence of the form (1), it is known that the group  $\Gamma$  is (isomorphic to) the fundamental group of a flat manifold. In this case  $\Gamma$  is called a Bieberbach group. We can define a holonomy representation  $\phi : G \rightarrow \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$  by the formula:

$$(2) \quad \phi(g)(e) = \tilde{g}e(\tilde{g})^{-1}$$

for all  $e \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ ,  $g \in G$  and where  $p(\tilde{g}) = g$ . In this article we shall consider Bieberbach groups of rank  $n$  with holonomy group  $\mathbb{Z}_2^k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n-1$ , and  $\phi(\mathbb{Z}_2^k) \subset D \subset \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ . Here  $D$  is the group of matrices with  $\pm 1$  on the diagonal.

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Let

$$(3) \quad M_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{R}P^1} M_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{R}P^1} \dots \xrightarrow{\mathbb{R}P^1} M_1 \xrightarrow{\mathbb{R}P^1} M_0 = \{\bullet\}$$

be a sequence of real projective bundles such that  $M_i \rightarrow M_{i-1}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , is a projective bundle of a Whitney sum of a real line bundle  $L_{i-1}$  and the trivial line bundle over  $M_{i-1}$ . The sequence (3) is called the real Bott tower and the top manifold  $M_n$  is called the real Bott manifold, [4].

Let  $\gamma_i$  be the canonical line bundle over  $M_i$  and we set  $x_i = w_1(\gamma_i)$  ( $w_1$  is the first Stiefel-Whitney class). Since  $H^1(M_{i-1}, \mathbb{Z}_2)$  is additively generated by  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{i-1}$  and  $L_{i-1}$  is a line bundle over  $M_{i-1}$ , we can uniquely write

$$(4) \quad w_1(L_{i-1}) = \sum_{l=1}^{i-1} a_{li}x_l,$$

where  $a_{li} \in \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

From above we obtain the matrix  $A = [a_{li}]$  which is an  $n \times n$  strictly upper triangular matrix whose diagonal entries are 0 and remaining entries are either 0 or 1. One can observe (see [12]) that the tower (3) is completely determined by the matrix  $A$  and therefore we may denote the real Bott manifold  $M_n$  by  $M(A)$ . From [12, Lemma 3.1] we can consider  $M(A)$  as the orbit space  $M(A) = \mathbb{R}^n / \Gamma(A)$ , where  $\Gamma(A) \subset E(n)$  is generated by elements

$$(5) \quad s_i = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \dots & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & (-1)^{a_{i,i+1}} & \dots & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \dots & \cdot \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & (-1)^{a_{i,n}} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cdot \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \in E(n),$$

where  $(-1)^{a_{i,i+1}}$  is in the  $(i + 1, i + 1)$  position and  $\frac{1}{2}$  is the  $i$ th coordinate of the last column,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$ .  $s_n = (I, (0, 0, \dots, 0, \frac{1}{2})) \in E(n)$ . From [12, Lemmas 3.2 and 3.3]  $s_1^2, s_2^2, \dots, s_n^2$  commute with each other and generate a free abelian subgroup  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ . In other words  $M(A)$  is a flat manifold with holonomy group  $\mathbb{Z}_2^k$  of diagonal type. Here  $k$  is a number of non zero rows of a matrix  $A$ .

We have the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 1.1** ([12], Lemma 2.1). *The cohomology ring  $H^*(M(A), \mathbb{Z}_2)$  is generated by degree one elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  as a graded ring with  $n$  relations*

$$x_j^2 = x_j \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}x_i,$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Lemma 1.2** ([12], Lemma 2.2). *The real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  is orientable if and only if the sum of entries is 0 (mod 2) for each row of the matrix  $A$ .*

There are a few ways to decide whether there exists a Spin-structure on an oriented flat manifold  $M^n$ . We start with:

**Definition 1.1** ([7]). An oriented flat manifold  $M^n$  has a Spin-structure if and only if there exists a homomorphism  $\epsilon: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Spin}(n)$  such that  $\lambda_n \epsilon = p$ , where  $\lambda_n: \text{Spin}(n) \rightarrow \text{SO}(n)$  is the covering map.

There is an equivalent condition for existence of Spin-structure. It is well known ([7]) that the closed oriented differential manifold  $M$  has a Spin-structure if and only if the second Stiefel-Whitney class vanishes.

The  $k$ th Stiefel-Whitney class [13, page 3, (2.1)] is given by the formula

$$(6) \quad w_k(M(A)) = (B(p))^* \sigma_k(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in H^k(M(A); \mathbb{Z}_2),$$

where  $\sigma_k$  is the  $k$ th elementary symmetric function,  $B(p)$  is a map induced by  $p$  on the classification space and

$$(7) \quad y_i := w_1(L_{i-1})$$

for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$ . Hence,

$$(8) \quad w_2(M(A)) = \sum_{1 < i < j \leq n} y_i y_j \in H^2(M(A); \mathbb{Z}_2).$$

**Definition 1.2** ([4, page 4]). A binary square matrix  $A$  is a Bott matrix if  $A = PBP^{-1}$  for a permutation matrix  $P$  and a strictly upper triangular binary matrix  $B$ .

Our paper is a sequel of [9]. There are given some conditions of the existence of Spin-structures.

**Theorem 1.1** ([9, page 1021]). *Let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$ .*

- (1) *Let  $l \in \mathbb{N}$  be an odd number. If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  and rows  $A_{i,*}, A_{j,*}$  such that*

$$\#\{m : a_{i,m} = a_{j,m} = 1\} = l$$

and

$$a_{ij} = 0,$$

then  $M(A)$  has no Spin-structure.

- (2) *If  $a_{ij} = 1$  and there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  and rows*

$$A_{i,*} = (0, \dots, 0, a_{i,i_1}, \dots, a_{i,i_{2k}}, 0, \dots, 0),$$

$$A_{j,*} = (0, \dots, 0, a_{j,i_{2k+1}}, \dots, a_{j,i_{2k+2l}}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

such that  $a_{i,i_1} = \dots = a_{i,i_{2k}} = 1$ ,  $a_{i,m} = 0$  for  $m \notin \{i_1, \dots, i_{2k}\}$ ,  $a_{j,i_{2k+1}} = \dots = a_{j,i_{2k+2l}} = 1$ ,  $a_{j,r} = 0$  for  $r \notin \{i_{2k+1}, \dots, i_{2k+2l}\}$  and  $l, k$  are odd, then  $M(A)$  has no Spin-structure.

In this paper we extend this theorem and we formulate necessary and sufficient conditions of the existence of a Spin-structure on real Bott manifolds. Here is our main result for Bott manifolds with holonomy group  $\mathbb{Z}_2^k$ .

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $A$  be a Bott matrix. Then the real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  has a Spin-structure if and only if for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  manifolds  $M(A_{ij})$  have a Spin-structure, where  $A_{ij}$  is the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -matrix consisting of  $i$ th and  $j$ th rows of  $A$ .*

In fact our condition reduces problem of existence of Spin-structure to the case of Bott manifold with holonomy  $\mathbb{Z}_2^2$ .

The structure of the paper is as follows. In Section 2 we prove a formula about the second Stiefel-Whitney class of the real Bott manifolds. This is the main tool in the proof of our main result. Section 3 has a very technical character. In this section we shall give a complete characterization of the existence of the Spin-structure on manifolds  $M(A_{ij})$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ .

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## 2. Proof of the Main Theorem

We have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  the Bott matrix. Then,*

$$w_2(M(A)) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} w_2(M(A_{ij})).$$

*Proof.* From Lemma 1.1 and ([3]) we have that the second cohomology group of  $H^2(M(A), \mathbb{Z}_2)$  has a basis

$$\mathcal{B} = \{x_i x_j : 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}.$$

Moreover, also from Lemma 1.1  $x_j^2$  can be expressed by a linear combination of  $x_k x_j$  for  $k < j$ . Note that this combination always contains an  $x_j$ -term. Hence, we get that  $w_2(M(A))$  is a sum of linear elements

$$w_2(M(A)) = \sum_{k < j} x_k x_j.$$

Each term  $x_k x_j$  of this sum is an element from basis  $\mathcal{B}$  and it is equal to the second Stiefel-Whitney class of the real Bott manifold  $M(A_{kj})$ , so we get

$$w_2(M(A)) = \sum_{k < j} x_k x_j = w_2(M(A_{kj})).$$

Thus, the second Stiefel-Whitney class of the real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  is equal to the sum of second Stiefel-Whitney classes of elementary components  $M(A_{kj})$ ,  $k < j$ .  $\square$

From proof of Lemma 2.1 we obtain the proof of Main Theorem 1.2.

*Proof of Theorem 1.2.* Let us recall the manifold  $M$  has a Spin-structure if and only if  $w_2(M) = 0$ . At the beginning let us assume, that for each pair  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ , we have  $w_2(M(A_{ij})) = 0$ . Then from Lemma 2.1 we have

$$w_2(M(A)) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} w_2(M(A_{ij})) = 0,$$

so the real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  has a Spin-structure.

On the other hand, if the manifold  $M(A)$  admits the Spin-structure, then

$$0 = w_2(M(A)) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} w_2(M(A_{ij})).$$

Since the second Stiefel-Whitney classes of  $M(A_{ij})$  are non negative so for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  we get

$$w_2(M(A_{ij})) = 0. \quad \square$$

In the next section of our paper we concentrate on calculations of Spin-structure on manifolds  $A_{ij}$ .

### 3. Existence of Spin-structure on manifolds $M(A_{ij})$

From now, let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  of dimension  $n$  with two non-zero rows. From Lemma 1.2 we have that the number of entries 1, in each row, is an odd number and we have following three cases:

**CASE I.** There are no columns with double entries 1,

**CASE II.** The number of columns with double entries 1 is an odd number,

**CASE III.** The number of columns with double entries 1 is an even number.

We give conditions for an existence of the Spin-structure on  $M(A_{ij})$ . In the further part of the paper we adopt the notation  $0_p = \underbrace{(0, \dots, 0)}_{p \text{ - times}}$ . From the

definition, rows of number  $i$  and  $j$  correspond to generators  $s_i, s_j$  which define a finite index abelian subgroup  $H \subset \pi_1(M(A))$  (see [10]).

**Theorem 3.1.** 1. *Let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  from the above Case I. If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i,*} &= (0_{i_1}, a_{i,i_1+1}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k}, 0_{i_{2l}}, 0_{i_p}), \\ A_{j,*} &= (0_{i_1}, 0_{i_{2k}}, a_{j,i_1+2k+1}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l}, 0_{i_p}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{i,m} = 1$  for  $m \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}$ ,  $a_{j,r} = 1$  for  $r \in \{i_1 + 2k + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l\}$ , then  $M(A)$  admits the Spin-structure if and only if either  $l$  is an even number or  $l$  is an odd number and  $j \notin \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}$ .

2. *Let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  from the above Case I. If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i,*} &= (0_{i_1}, 0_{i_{2k}}, a_{i,i_{2k}+1}, \dots, a_{i,i_{2k}+2l}, 0_{i_p}), \\ A_{j,*} &= (0_{i_1}, a_{j,i_1+1}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k}, 0_{i_{2l}}, 0_{i_p}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{j,m} = 1$  for  $m \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}$ ,  $a_{i,r} = 1$  for  $r \in \{i_{2k} + 1, \dots, i_{2k} + 2l\}$ , then  $M(A)$  has the Spin-structure.

*Proof.* 1. From (7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} y_{i_1+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k} = x_i, \\ y_{i_1+2k+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l} = x_j. \end{aligned}$$

Using (8) and  $x_i^2 = x_i \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji} x_j$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= k(2k - 1)x_i^2 + 4klx_i x_j + l(2l - 1)x_j^2 \\ &= k(2k - 1)x_i^2 + l(2l - 1)x_j^2 = l(2l - 1)x_j^2 = lx_j^2. \end{aligned}$$

Summing up, we have to consider the following cases

- (1) if  $l = 2b$ , then  $w_2(M(A)) = 2bx_j^2 = 0$ . Hence  $M(A)$  has a Spin-structure,
- (2) if  $l = 2b + 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= (2b + 1)x_j^2 = x_j^2 \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } j \notin \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}, M(A) \text{ has a Spin-structure,} \\ x_i x_j, & \text{if } j \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}, M(A) \text{ has no Spin-structure.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

2. From (7)

$$\begin{aligned} y_{i_1+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k} = x_j, \\ y_{i_1+2k+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l} = x_i. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, from (8) and since  $i_1 > j > i$

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= k(2k - 1)x_j^2 + 4klx_i x_j + l(2l - 1)x_i^2 \\ &= k(2k - 1) \underbrace{x_j^2}_{=0} + l(2l - 1) \underbrace{x_i^2}_{=0} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $M(A)$  has the Spin-structure. □

**Theorem 3.2.** 1. Let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  from the above Case II. If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i,*} &= (0_{i_1}, a_{i,i_1+1}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k}, a_{i,i_1+2k+1}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l}, 0_{i_{2m}}, 0_{i_p}), \\ A_{j,*} &= (0_{i_1}, 0_{i_{2k}}, a_{j,i_1+2k+1}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l}, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l+1}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l+2m}, 0_{i_p}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{i,r} = 1$  for  $r \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l\}$ ,  $a_{j,s} = 1$  for  $s \in \{i_1 + 2k + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l + 2m\}$ , then  $M(A)$  has the Spin-structure if and only if either  $l$  and  $m$  are numbers of the same parity or  $l$  and  $m$  are numbers of different parity and  $j \notin \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}$ .

2. Let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  from the above case II. If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i,*} &= (0_{i_1}, 0_{i_1+2k}, a_{i,i_1+2k+1}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l}, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l+1}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l+2m}, 0_{i_p}), \\ A_{j,*} &= (0_{i_1}, a_{j,i_1+1}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k}, a_{j,i_1+2k+1}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l}, 0_{i_{2m}}, 0_{i_p}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{j,m} = 1$  for  $m \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l\}$ ,  $a_{i,r} = 1$  for  $r \in \{i_1 + 2k + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l + 2m\}$ , then  $M(A)$  has the Spin-structure.

*Proof.* 1. From (7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} y_{i_1+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k} = x_i, \\ y_{i_1+2k+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l} = x_i + x_j, \\ y_{i_1+2k+2l+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l+2m} = x_j. \end{aligned}$$

From (8) and  $x_i^2 = x_i \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji} x_j$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= k(2k - 1)x_i^2 + 4klx_i(x_i + x_j) + l(2l - 1)(x_i + x_j)^2 + m(2m - 1)x_j^2 \\ &= l(2l - 1)x_j^2 + m(2m - 1)x_j^2 = (l + m)x_j^2. \end{aligned}$$

We have to consider the following cases:

- (1) If  $l + m$  is an even number, then  $w_2(M(A)) = 0$ . Hence  $M(A)$  has a Spin-structure.
- (2) If  $l + m$  is an odd number, then

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= x_j^2 \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } j \notin \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}, M(A) \text{ has a Spin-structure,} \\ x_i x_j, & \text{if } j \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k\}, M(A) \text{ has no Spin-structure.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

2. Using (7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} y_{i_1+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+1} = x_j, \\ y_{i_1+2k+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l} = x_i + x_j, \\ y_{i_1+2k+2l+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l+2m} = x_i. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, from (8) and since  $i_1 > j > i$

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= k(2k - 1)x_j^2 + l(2l - 1)x_i^2 + 4klx_j(x_i + x_j) + 4kmx_i x_j \\ &\quad + 4lmx_i(x_i + x_j) + l(2l - 1)(x_i + x_j)^2 + m(2m - 1)x_i^2 \\ &= k(2k - 1) \underbrace{x_j^2}_{=0} + l(2l - 1) \underbrace{x_i^2}_{=0} + l(2l - 1) \underbrace{x_j^2}_{=0} + m(2m - 1) \underbrace{x_i^2}_{=0} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $M(A)$  has a Spin-structure. □

**Theorem 3.3.** 1. Let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  from the above Case III. If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i,*} &= (0_{i_1}, a_{i,i_1+1}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k+1}, a_{i,i_1+2k+2}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l+2}, 0_{i_{2m+1}}, 0_{i_p}), \\ A_{j,*} &= (0_{i_1}, 0_{i_{2k+1}}, a_{j,i_{2k+2}}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l+2}, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l+3}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l+2m+3}, 0_{i_p}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{i,r} = 1$  for  $r \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l + 2\}$ ,  $a_{j,s} = 1$  for  $s \in \{i_1 + 2k + 2, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l + 2m + 3\}$ , then  $M(A)$  admits the Spin-structure if and only if  $l$  and  $m$  are numbers of the same parity and  $j \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2\}$ .

2. Let  $A$  be a matrix of an orientable real Bott manifold  $M(A)$  from the above case III. If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} A_{i,*} &= (0_{i_1}, 0_{i_{2l+1}}, a_{i,i_1+2k+2}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l+2}, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l+3}, \dots, a_{i,i_1+2k+2l+2m+3}, 0_{i_p}), \\ A_{j,*} &= (0_{i_1}, a_{j,i_1+1}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+1}, a_{j,i_1+2k+2}, \dots, a_{j,i_1+2k+2l+2}, 0_{i_{2m}}, 0_{i_p}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_{j,m} = 1$  for  $m \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l + 2\}$ ,  $a_{i,r} = 1$  for  $r \in \{i_1 + 2k + 2, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2l + 2m + 3\}$ , then  $M(A)$  has no Spin-structure.

*Proof.* 1. From (7)

$$\begin{aligned} y_{i_1+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+1} = x_i, \\ y_{i_1+2k+2} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l+2} = x_i + x_j, \\ y_{i_1+2k+2l+3} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l+2m+3} = x_j. \end{aligned}$$

From (8) and  $x_i^2 = x_i \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji} x_j$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= k(2k+1)x_i^2 + (2k+1)(2l+1)x_i(x_i + x_j) + (2k+1)(2m+1)x_i x_j \\ &\quad + l(2l+1)(x_i + x_j)^2 + (2l+1)(2m+1)x_j(x_i + x_j) \\ &\quad + m(2m+1)x_j^2 \\ &= (l+m+1)x_j^2 + (2l+1)(2m+1)x_i x_j \\ &= (l+m+1)x_j^2 + x_i x_j. \end{aligned}$$

Now, if  $l$  and  $m$  are number of the same parity we have

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= x_i x_j + x_j^2 \\ &= \begin{cases} x_i x_j, & \text{if } j \notin \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2\}, M(A) \text{ has no Spin-structure,} \\ 0, & \text{if } j \in \{i_1 + 1, \dots, i_1 + 2k + 2\}, M(A) \text{ has a Spin-structure.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

2. From (7)

$$\begin{aligned} y_{i_1+1} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+1} = x_j, \\ y_{i_1+2k+2} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l+2} = x_i + x_j, \\ y_{i_1+2k+2l+3} &= \dots = y_{i_1+2k+2l+2m+3} = x_i. \end{aligned}$$

From (8) and since  $i_1 > j > i$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(M(A)) &= k(2k+1)x_j^2 + m(2m+1)x_i^2 + (2k+1)(2l+1)x_j(x_i + x_j) \\ &\quad + (2k+1)(2m+1)x_i x_j + l(2l+1)(x_i + x_j)^2 \\ &\quad + (2l+1)(2m+1)x_i(x_i + x_j) + m(2m-1)x_i^2 \\ &= k(2k+1) \underbrace{x_j^2}_{=0} + l(2l+1) \underbrace{(x_i + x_j)^2}_{=0} + m(2m+1) \underbrace{x_i^2}_{=0} \\ &\quad + x_j(x_i + x_j) + x_i x_j + x_i(x_i + x_j) = x_i x_j \neq 0, \end{aligned}$$

so  $M(A)$  has no Spin-structure.  $\square$

At the end we illustrate our consideration by an example.



**Example 3.1.** Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have the following elementary components of  $A$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_{12}}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_{13}}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_{14}},$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_{23}}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_{24}}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_{34}}.$$

From Theorems 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 we get that manifolds  $M(A_{13})$ ,  $M(A_{24})$  have no Spin-structure and all others elementary components have Spin-structure. So, from Theorem 1.2 for the manifold  $M(A)$  we get

$$\omega_2(M(A)) = x_1x_3 + x_2x_4.$$

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