

# Structure of $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])^*$

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**Abstract** In this paper we study the K-theory of the integral group ring  $\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4]$ . We prove that the relative  $SK_1$  group of the integral group ring  $\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4]$  is an elementary Abelian group of rank-3. We also show that the 4-rank of  $K_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$  is at least 1 and the 2-rank of  $K_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$  is at least 10.

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## $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$ 的结构

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**摘 要** 主要研究整群环  $\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4]$  的 K 理论. 证明整群环  $\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4]$  的相对  $SK_1$  群为秩是 3 的初等阿贝尔群. 也证明了  $K_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$  的 4 秩至少是 1,  $K_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$  的 2 秩至少是 10.

**关键词** 整群环; 相对  $SK_1$  群;  $K_2$  群

The structure of the relative  $SK_1$  group of the integral group ring is crucial to compute the  $K_2$  group of the integral group ring. However it is very difficult to determine the exact structure of the relative  $SK_1$  group. We can only find some results about the structure of the relative  $SK_1$  group  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[G])$  when  $G$  is an elementary Abelian  $p$ -group. In this paper, we consider the case of  $G = C_4 \times C_4 = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^4 = \tau^4 = 1, \sigma\tau = \tau\sigma \rangle$ . We use the a result

about the exponent of  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$  in Ref. [1] to determine the exact structure of the group  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$ . We use the result about the structure of  $K_2(\mathbb{F}_2[C_4 \times C_4])$  in Ref. [2] to study the structure of  $K_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$ , and we obtain a lower bound of the 4-rank of  $K_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$  and a lower bound of the 2-rank of  $K_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$ .

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## 1 Preliminaries

Let  $C_n$  be a cyclic group of order  $n$ ,  $p$  be a prime number, and  $\mathbf{F}_p$  be a finite field of  $p$  elements. Let  $J(R)$  denote the Jacobson radical of a ring  $R$ . We first introduce a basic definition which is crucial to compute the relative  $SK_1$  group.

**Definition 1.1** Let  $G$  be a finite Abelian  $p$ -group and  $O_F$  be the ring of integers in an algebraic number field  $F$ . A subset  $S \subset \hat{G}$  is called an  $F$ -cluster of characters for  $G$  if  $S$  contains exactly one character for each simple  $F[G]$ -module. When  $F = Q, O_F = \mathbb{Z}$ , we will call  $S$  a cluster of characters for  $G$ . If  $S$  is a cluster of characters for  $G$ , We will define  $S_0 = \{\chi \in S \mid \mathbb{Z}[\chi] \neq \mathbb{Z}\}$ .  $S_0$  will be called an imaginary cluster of characters for  $G$ . Note that  $S_0 = S - \{\text{trivial character}\}$  when  $p$  is odd and  $S_0 = \{\chi \in S \mid \text{im}(\chi) \mid > 2\}$  when  $p = 2$ .

The following two theorems will be used to determine  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])$ .

**Theorem 1.1** (Theorem 1.10 in Ref. [1]) Let  $G$  be a finite Abelian 2-group and  $S_0$  an imaginary cluster of characters for  $G$ . Then

$$SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[G], 2\mathbb{Z}[G]) = \left[ \prod_{\chi \in S_0} \text{Im } \chi \right] / \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G]))).$$

**Note** The elements  $\sum \lambda_g g \in \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G]$ ,  $\phi$  is defined as follows:

$$\phi\left(\sum \lambda_g g\right) = \sum \lambda_g g^2.$$

$\forall g, h \in G$ ,  $\psi_{\chi_{ij}}$  is defined as follows:

$$\psi_{\chi_{ij}}(g \otimes h) = \begin{cases} \chi_{ij}(g), & \text{if } \chi_{ij}(h) = 1; \\ 1, & \text{if } \chi_{ij}(h) \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 1.2** (Proposition 4.7 in Ref. [1])  $\exp(SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4])) = 2$ .

## 2 Main results

The following are the main results of this paper.

**Theorem 2.1**  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4]) = C_2^3$ .

**Proof** Let  $G = C_4 \times C_4 = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^4 = \tau^4 = 1, \sigma\tau = \tau\sigma \rangle$ , and  $\xi$  be a primitive 4th root of unity.

Define the characters of  $C_4 \times C_4$  as follows:

$$\chi_{ij}, 0 \leq i, j \leq 3,$$

$$\chi_{ij}(\sigma) = \xi^i, \chi_{ij}(\tau) = \xi^j,$$

then  $\chi_{ij}(\sigma^h \tau^k) = \xi^{hi+jk}$ . Let  $S_0 = \{\chi_{ij}, 0 \leq j \leq 3, \chi_{ii}, i = 0, 2\}$ , then by Proposition 4.7 of Ref. [1],  $S_0$  is an imaginary cluster of  $C_4 \times C_4$ .

Then by Theorem 1.1,

$$SK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z}[C_4 \times C_4]) = \left[ \prod_{\chi \in S_0} \text{Im } \chi \right] / \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G]))).$$

Obviously,  $\text{Im } \chi_{01} = \text{Im } \chi_{10} = \text{Im } \chi_{11} = \text{Im } \chi_{12} = \text{Im } \chi_{13} = \text{Im } \chi_{21} = C_4$ . In the following, we will fix the order of the product  $\prod_{\chi \in S_0} \text{Im } \chi$  as  $\prod_{\chi \in S_0} \text{Im } \chi = \text{Im } \chi_{01} \times \text{Im } \chi_{10} \times \text{Im } \chi_{11} \times \text{Im } \chi_{12} \times \text{Im } \chi_{13} \times \text{Im } \chi_{21} = C_4^6$ .

Next we will determine the structure of  $\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G])))$ .

For any  $x \in J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G]) = \langle 2, g-1 \mid g \in G \rangle$ , we have  $\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(x)) = \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(x)) \cdot \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(x))$ , then  $\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G])))$  is generated by the following 34 elements,

$$\{\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(2)), \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(2)), \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^i \tau^j - 1)), \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^i \tau^j - 1)), 0 \leq i, j \leq 3\}.$$

We will compute the value of  $\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau - 1))$  as an example, and the same method can be used to determine the values of the other 33 elements. For

$$\begin{aligned} (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau - 1) &= 2\sigma\tau - 2 - \sigma^2\tau^2 + 1 \\ &= -\sigma^2\tau^2 + 2\sigma\tau - 1, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau - 1)) \\ &= \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (-\sigma^2\tau^2 + 2\sigma\tau - 1)) \\ &= (y_{ij}) \in \prod_{\chi \in S_0} \text{Im } \chi, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} y_{ij} &= \psi_{\chi_{ij}}(\sigma \otimes (-\sigma^2\tau^2 + 2\sigma\tau - 1)) \\ &= \psi_{\chi_{ij}}(\sigma \otimes \sigma^2\tau^2)^{-1} \psi_{\chi_{ij}}(\sigma \otimes \sigma\tau)^2 \times \\ &\quad \psi_{\chi_{ij}}(\sigma \otimes 1)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

By the definition of  $\psi_{\chi_{ij}}$ , we have  $y_{01} = 1, y_{10} = \xi^3, y_{11} = \xi^2, y_{12} = \xi^3, y_{13} = 1$ , and  $y_{21} = \xi^2$ .

Hence

$$\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau - 1)) = (1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^3, 1, \xi^2).$$

Using the same method, we can get the following generators:

$$\begin{aligned} & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(1 - 1)) \\ &= \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(1 - 1)) = (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(2)) = (1, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^2, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(2)) = (\xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\tau - 1)) = (1, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^3, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\tau^2 - 1)) = (1, 1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\tau^3 - 1)) = (1, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^3, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma - 1)) = (1, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau - 1)) = (1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^3, 1, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau^2 - 1)) = (1, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau^3 - 1)) = (1, \xi^3, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2 - 1)) = (1, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^2, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2\tau - 1)) = (1, \xi^2, \xi^3, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2\tau^2 - 1)) = (1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2\tau^3 - 1)) = (1, \xi^2, \xi^3, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3 - 1)) = (1, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3\tau - 1)) = (1, \xi^3\xi^3, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3\tau^2 - 1)) = (1, \xi^3\xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\sigma \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3\tau^3 - 1)) = (1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^3, 1, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\tau - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^3, 1, \xi, \xi^3), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\tau^2 - 1)) = (\xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\tau^3 - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^3, 1, \xi, \xi^3), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma - 1)) = (1, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2, 1, \xi^3), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau^2 - 1)) = (\xi^2, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma\tau^3 - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^3), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2 - 1)) = (1, 1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2\tau - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^3, 1, \xi, \xi^3), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2\tau^2 - 1)) = (\xi^2, 1, 1, 1, 1, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^2\tau^3 - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^3, 1, \xi, \xi^3), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3 - 1)) = (1, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi, \xi^2), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3\tau - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^3), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3\tau^2 - 1)) = (\xi^2, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi, 1), \\ & \psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(\tau \otimes (2 - \phi)(\sigma^3\tau^3 - 1)) = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2, 1, \xi^3). \end{aligned}$$

Because some of these generators are the same, we use  $a_i$  to denote the different generators:

$$\begin{aligned} & \{a_1 = (1, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^2, 1); \\ & a_2 = (\xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2); \\ & a_3 = (1, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^3, \xi^2); \\ & a_4 = (1, 1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1); \\ & a_5 = (1, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, \xi^3, 1); \\ & a_6 = (1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^3, 1, \xi^2); \\ & a_7 = (1, \xi^3, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi^2); \\ & a_8 = (1, \xi^2, \xi^3, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2); \\ & a_9 = (1, \xi^2, 1, \xi^2, 1, 1); \\ & a_{10} = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^3, 1, \xi, \xi^3); \\ & a_{11} = (1, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi, \xi^2); \\ & a_{12} = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2, 1, \xi^3); \\ & a_{13} = (\xi^2, 1, \xi^3, \xi^2, \xi, 1); \\ & a_{14} = (\xi^3, 1, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2, \xi^3); \\ & a_{15} = (\xi^2, 1, 1, 1, 1, \xi^2); \\ & a_{16} = (\xi^3, 1, \xi^2, \xi^2, 1, \xi^3). \} \end{aligned}$$

Next we will determine the structure of the group generated by  $a_i$  which is  $\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G])))$ .

For  $1 \leq i \leq 6$ , let  $b_i$  be the vector of dimension 6 in which the  $i$ th component is  $\xi^2$  and the other components are all equal to 1. Let  $b_7 = (\xi, 1, 1, 1, 1, \xi)$ ,  $b_8 = (1, \xi, 1, \xi, 1, 1)$ ,  $b_9 = (1, 1, \xi, 1, \xi, 1)$ . We show that  $\{b_i, 1 \leq i \leq 9\}$  is a generating set of the group generated by  $\{a_i, 1 \leq i \leq 16\}$ .

On one hand,  $\{b_i, 1 \leq i \leq 9\}$  can be generated by  $\{a_i, 1 \leq i \leq 16\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & a_5 \cdot a_6 \cdot a_{11} = (1, \xi^2, 1, 1, 1, 1) = b_2, \\ & a_9 \cdot b_2 = (1, 1, 1, \xi^2, 1, 1) = b_4, \\ & a_5 \cdot a_7 \cdot a_8 \cdot b_4 = (1, 1, \xi^2, 1, 1, 1) = b_3, \\ & a_4 \cdot b_3 = (1, 1, 1, 1, \xi^2, 1) = b_5, \\ & a_3 \cdot a_4 \cdot a_{10} \cdot a_{12} \cdot a_{14} \cdot a_{16} = (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, \xi^2) = b_6, \\ & a_{15} \cdot b_6 = (\xi^2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1) = b_1, \\ & a_{12} \cdot b_1 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_6 = (\xi, 1, 1, 1, 1, \xi) = b_7, \\ & a_7 \cdot b_2 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_6 = (1, \xi, 1, \xi, 1, 1) = b_8, \\ & a_8 \cdot b_2 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_6 = (1, 1, \xi, 1, \xi, 1) = b_9. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,  $\{a_i, 1 \leq i \leq 16\}$  can be generated by  $\{b_i, 1 \leq i \leq 9\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & a_1 = b_2 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_5, a_2 = b_1 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_6, \\ & a_3 = b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_9, a_4 = b_3 \cdot b_5, \\ & a_5 = b_2 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_8 \cdot b_9, a_6 \end{aligned}$$

$$= b_2 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_8,$$

$$a_7 = b_2 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_8, a_8 = b_2 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_9,$$

$$a_9 = b_2 \cdot b_4, a_{10} = b_1 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_7 \cdot b_9,$$

$$a_{11} = b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_9, a_{12} = b_1 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_7,$$

$$a_{13} = b_1 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_9, a_{14} = b_1 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_5 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_7,$$

$$a_{15} = b_1 \cdot b_6, a_{16} = b_1 \cdot b_3 \cdot b_4 \cdot b_6 \cdot b_7.$$

Hence  $\{b_i, 1 \leq i \leq 9\}$  is an generating set of  $\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G])))$ .

It is easy to know that these 6 elements  $\{b_i, 1 \leq i \leq 6\}$  generate an elementary Abelian 2-group of rank 6. We denote this group by  $H$ . Then the 8 cosets,

$\{H, b_7H, b_8H, b_9H, b_7b_8H, b_7b_9H, b_8b_9H, b_7b_8b_9H\}$ , are disjoint with each other and their union is

$\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G])))$ . Hence

$$|\psi_{\chi_{S_0}}(G \otimes (2 - \phi)(J(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2[G])))| = 2^6 \cdot 8 = 2^9,$$

and

$$|SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4])| = \frac{4^6}{2^9} = 2^3.$$

By Theorem 1.2,

$$\exp(SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4])) = 2.$$

So

$$SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) = C_2^3. \quad \square$$

**Corollary 2.1**  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4 \times C_2]) = C_2^4$ .

**Proof** By Theorem 1.11 in Ref. [1], we have  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4 \times C_2]) \simeq SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4] \oplus SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]))$ . By Theorem 5.5 in Ref. [1],  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) = C_2$ . Then by Theorem 2.1, we have

$$SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) = C_2^3.$$

So  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4 \times C_2]) = C_2^4$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2** The 4-rank of  $K_2(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4])$  is at least 1 and its 2-rank is at least 10.

**Proof** By the long exact sequence of  $K$ -theory, we have

$$K_2(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_1} K_2(\mathbb{F}_2 [C_4 \times C_4]) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_2} SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_3}$$

$$SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_4} SK_1(F_2 [C_4 \times C_4]).$$

By Theorem 1.2 in Ref. [2],  $K_2(F_2 [C_4 \times C_4]) = C_2^9 \oplus C_4^3$ . By Theorem 2.1,

$SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4], 2\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) = C_2^3$ . By Theorem 5.5 in Ref. [1], we have  $SK_1(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) = C_2$ . Then the exact sequence becomes

$$K_2(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_1} C_2^9 \oplus C_4^3 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_2} C_2^3 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_3} C_2 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_4} 1.$$

By the exactness,  $\text{im}(f_2) = \ker(f_3) = C_2^2$ . Then we get the following exact sequence,

$$K_2(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4]) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_1} C_2^9 \oplus C_4^3 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{f}_2} C_2^2 \longrightarrow 1.$$

By the exactness,  $\text{im}(f_1) = \ker(f_2)$  can only be one of the following three cases,

$$\{C_2^{11} \oplus C_4; C_2^9 \oplus C_4^2; C_2^7 \oplus C_4^3\}.$$

In any of these cases,  $\text{im}(f_1)$  contains one cyclic subgroup of order 4 as its direct summand. Then the 4-rank of  $K_2(\mathbb{Z} [C_4 \times C_4])$  is at least 1 and the 2-rank is at least 10.  $\square$

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