

# The group $\mathrm{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$ is $(2,3)$ -generated

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**Abstract:** It is proved that the group  $\mathrm{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$  is generated by an involution and an element of order 3.

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## 1. Introduction

A group is called  $(2, 3)$ -generated if it can be generated by an involution and an element of order 3. For instance,  $\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  is generated by the projective images of the matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

of (projective) order 2 and 3, respectively. Moreover, it is well known that  $\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  is isomorphic to the free product of the cyclic group of order 2 and the cyclic group of order 3. Thus, the problem of  $(2, 3)$ -generation is closely related to the problem of description of the normal subgroups of  $\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ .

L. Di Martino and N. Vavilov conjectured in [1, 2] that, for any finitely generated commutative ring  $R$ , elementary Chevalley groups over  $R$  are  $(2, 3)$ -generated provided their rank is large enough. For classical matrix groups over finite fields this conjecture was settled affirmatively in [4]. For matrix groups over other finitely generated rings see e.g. [8, 9]. The latter results are only asymptotic, i.e., they do not give the answer for low-dimensional groups. However, for certain

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series of groups and certain rings the problem can be solved completely. For instance, joint efforts of several authors [6, 7, 11–14] led to the discovery that the groups  $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$  and  $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$  are  $(2, 3)$ -generated precisely when  $n \geq 5$ .

It turns out that the problem for the symplectic groups  $Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$  is more delicate than for  $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ , because all general results in the symplectic case either required invertibility of 2 in the ring under consideration [6] or dealt only with groups over finite fields [5]. Moreover, these methods cannot be directly transferred to  $Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$ . The evidence arising from the solution of a similar problem for  $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$  shows that low-dimensional cases require a separate treatment.

We began a systematic study of the  $(2, 3)$ -generation problem for  $Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$  in [10], where the cases  $n \leq 4$  were considered. We also conjectured that  $Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$  is  $(2, 3)$ -generated precisely when  $n \geq 4$ . In the present paper we make the next step and give the affirmative answer for  $Sp_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$ . Our methods are similar to those developed in [10], but even a subtle increase of the dimension led to a significant growth of computational efforts. It might be rather difficult to proceed in the same manner for larger values of  $n$ .

## 2. Main result and notation

Let  $I_n$  be the  $n \times n$  identity matrix. Recall that up to conjugation

$$Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{Z}) = \{g \in GL_{2n}(\mathbb{Z}) : g^T J g = J\},$$

where

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ -I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Our main result is the following theorem.

### Theorem 2.1.

The group  $Sp_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$  is  $(2, 3)$ -generated. More precisely, define

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 10 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 00 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 11 & 0 & -2 & -1 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -20 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 00 & -1 & -1 & -3 & -1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 00 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 00 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 00 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 00 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -3 & 2 & -5 & 6 & 3 \\ -2 & 5 & -3 & -4 & 3 & 2 & -7 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & -2 & -1 & 2 & 5 & 0 & 5 & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -4 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 3 & -3 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 3 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & 5 & -3 & -4 & 4 & 2 & -6 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 & 3 & -3 & -1 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -4 & 3 & 7 & -3 & 1 & 4 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 & -3 & -3 & 5 & 3 & -3 & 2 & -3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $x^2 = y^3 = I_{10}$  and  $Sp_{10}(\mathbb{Z}) = \langle x, y \rangle$ .

### Remark 2.2.

The method of finding  $x$  and  $y$  is similar to that used in [10]. The starting point is a pair of parametric matrices

$$x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0010 & r_1 & 0000 & r_3 \\ 0001 & r_2 & 0000 & r_4 \\ 1000 & -r_1 & 0000 & -r_3 \\ 0100 & -r_2 & 0000 & -r_4 \\ 0000 & 10000 & 0 \\ 0000 & 00100 & r_5 \\ 0000 & 01000 & -r_5 \\ 0000 & 00001 & r_6 \\ 0000 & 00010 & -r_6 \\ 0000 & 00000 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1000 & r_7 & r_9 & 0 & r_{11} & 0 & r_{13} \\ 0100 & r_8 & r_{10} & 0 & r_{12} & 0 & r_{14} \\ 0000 & -1 & 00 & 00 & 0 \\ 0000 & 0 & -10 & 00 & 0 \\ 0010 & -1 & 00 & 00 & 0 \\ 0001 & 0 & -10 & 00 & 0 \\ 0000 & 0 & 00 & -10 & 0 \\ 0000 & 0 & 01 & -10 & 0 \\ 0000 & 0 & 00 & 00 & -1 \\ 0000 & 0 & 00 & 01 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

of order 2 and 3, respectively. Next we try to find  $r_1, \dots, r_{14}$  such that  $x_0, y_0$  fix *some* skew-symmetric form  $J_0$ , which remains non-degenerate modulo any prime  $p$ . This assumption implies certain relations between  $r_1, \dots, r_{14}$ , which allow to reduce the search area. For instance, the following parameters will suit us:

$$r_1 = r_2 = r_{14} = -1, \quad r_3 = 1, \quad r_4 = -4, \quad r_5 = 3, \quad r_6 = -2, \quad r_7 = r_{10} = r_{11} = 2, \quad r_8 = r_9 = r_{12} = 0, \quad r_{13} = 4.$$

Finally, we find an invertible integral matrix  $Z$  such that  $J_0 = Z^T J Z$  and set  $x = Zx_0 Z^{-1}$ ,  $y = Zy_0 Z^{-1}$ . In our case

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 5 & 0 & 4 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 2 & -4 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 8 & 1 & 7 & 0 & 5 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -5 & -1 & -4 & 0 & -3 & -3 & -1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 2 & -3 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -3 & 1 & -1 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 & 0 & -3 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We omit further computational details.

The claim about the orders of  $x$  and  $y$  is trivial. It is also straightforward to verify that  $\langle x, y \rangle \subseteq \mathrm{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$ . To prove the converse inclusion we use the well-known fact (e.g. see Theorem 5.3.4 in [3]) that  $\mathrm{Sp}_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$  coincides with the elementary symplectic group  $\mathrm{ESp}_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$ . Recall the definition of  $\mathrm{ESp}_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$ . For  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2n$ , let  $e_{i,j}$  be the  $2n \times 2n$  matrix with 1 in the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column and zeros elsewhere. Define

$$\begin{aligned} P_{i,j}(k) &= \begin{cases} I_{2n} + k \cdot (e_{i,j+n} + e_{j,i+n}) & 1 \leq i < j \leq n, \\ I_{2n} + k \cdot e_{i,i+n} & 1 \leq i = j \leq n, \end{cases} \\ Q_{i,j}(k) &= \begin{cases} I_{2n} + k \cdot (e_{i+n,j} + e_{j+n,i}) & 1 \leq i < j \leq n, \\ I_{2n} + k \cdot e_{i+n,i} & 1 \leq i = j \leq n, \end{cases} \\ R_{i,j}(k) &= I_{2n} + k \cdot (e_{i,j} - e_{j+n,i+n}) \quad 1 \leq i \neq j \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$P_{i,j}(k) = (P_{i,j}(1))^k, \quad Q_{i,j}(k) = (Q_{i,j}(1))^k, \quad R_{i,j}(k) = (R_{i,j}(1))^k.$$

Following [3, Chapter 5] we define  $\mathrm{ESp}_{2n}(\mathbb{Z})$  as the group generated by the matrices  $P_{i,j}(1)$ ,  $Q_{i,j}(1)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ , and  $R_{i,j}(1)$ ,  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$ .

Thus, to prove the inclusion  $\mathrm{ESp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z}) \subseteq \langle x, y \rangle$  it is enough to show that  $P_{i,j}(1), Q_{i,j}(1), R_{i,j}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$ . We split the proof into several steps, which are presented in the next section. In the proof we construct a sequence of matrices in  $\langle x, y \rangle$ . In order to assist the reader and make the construction more transparent we use the following notation:

- $A_i$  are upper block-triangular matrices in  $\langle x, y \rangle$  of the shape

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_5 & L \\ 0 & I_5 \end{pmatrix}; \tag{1}$$

- $B_i$  are lower block-triangular matrices in  $\langle x, y \rangle$  of the shape

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_5 & 0 \\ L & I_5 \end{pmatrix}; \tag{2}$$

- $C_i$  are upper block-triangular matrices in  $\langle x, y \rangle$  of the shape

$$\begin{pmatrix} K & L \\ 0 & M \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3)$$

where  $K, L$  and  $M$  are  $5 \times 5$  matrices;

- $D_i$  are block-diagonal matrices in  $\langle x, y \rangle$  of the shape

$$\begin{pmatrix} K & 0 \\ 0 & (K^T)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

where  $K$  is a  $5 \times 5$  matrix and  $T$  denotes the transpose of a matrix;

- $g_i$  are auxiliary matrices from  $\langle x, y \rangle$  with no prescribed shape.

### 3. Detailed proofs

To assist the reader in verifying the proof, the corresponding Magma file is also available as a supplementary information to the article.

#### Lemma 3.1.

We have  $P_{1,1}(4) \in \langle x, y \rangle$  and  $P_{1,i}(2), R_{1,i}(2) \in \langle x, y \rangle$  for  $2 \leq i \leq 5$ .

**Proof.** First of all, let us define

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 &= y(xy)^3(xy^2)^4, \\ g_2 &= (xy)^2(xy^2)^2(xy)^3, \\ g_3 &= y(xy^2)^2xy(xyxy^2)^2, \\ C_1 &= ((xyxy^2)^3g_1)^4. \end{aligned}$$

Now we can construct first matrices of shape (1):

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= (y^{-1}g_2yx)^{-1}C_1y^{-1}g_2yx \cdot g_3^{-1}C_1^{-1}g_3 = P_{1,1}(4)P_{1,3}(2)P_{1,5}(2), \\ A_2 &= (g_2^{-1}C_1g_2x)^2 = P_{1,1}(-4)P_{1,3}(-4), \\ A_3 &= xA_1A_2xA_1 = P_{1,3}(-4), \\ A_4 &= A_3A_2^{-1} = P_{1,1}(4). \end{aligned}$$

This gives the first inclusion stated in the lemma. Let us set

$$\begin{aligned} g_4 &= (xy^2)^3, \\ g_5 &= xyxy^2x, \\ g_6 &= y(xy^2)^2(xy)^2(xy^2)^2xy(xy^2)^3x, \\ g_7 &= (xyxy^2)^2(xy^2)^3x, \\ g_8 &= (xy^2)^3((xy)^2xy^2xy(xy^2)^2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Using these matrices and  $A_1, \dots, A_4$  we can find more matrices of the desired shape (1):

$$\begin{aligned} A_5 &= g_5^{-1} C_1 g_5 \cdot g_2 x C_1 x g_2^{-1} \cdot A_3^2 A_4^2 = P_{1,2}(4), \\ A_6 &= (x g_5^{-1} C_1 g_5)^2 \cdot (g_5 x g_1^{-1})^{-1} C_1 g_5 x g_1^{-1} \cdot (g_2^2 x g_4)^{-1} C_1^{-1} g_2^2 x g_4 \cdot A_1 = P_{1,4}(4), \\ A_7 &= (g_2^{-1} g_4 x)^{-1} A_1 g_2^{-1} g_4 x \cdot g_6^{-1} A_1 g_6 \cdot A_1^{-4} A_3^{-1} A_4^{-4} A_5 A_6 = P_{1,5}(2), \\ A_8 &= A_4^{-1} A_1 A_7^{-1} = P_{1,3}(2), \\ A_9 &= (g_2 x g_4)^{-1} A_8 g_2 x g_4 \cdot A_4^{-1} A_8^{-2} = P_{1,2}(2). \end{aligned}$$

We have already proved that  $P_{1,2}(2), P_{1,3}(2), P_{1,5}(2) \in \langle x, y \rangle$ . Before proving that  $P_{1,4}(2)$  belongs to  $\langle x, y \rangle$  we have to construct a few block-diagonal matrices of shape (4). Let us consider

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= (x A_6)^2 A_4^{-4} A_6^{-1} A_7^2 A_9^{-2} = R_{1,2}(-4), \\ D_2 &= x D_1 x \cdot A_4^{-8} A_6^{-3} A_7^2 A_8^6 = R_{1,4}(-4), \\ D_3 &= g_7^{-1} D_1^{-1} g_7 \cdot D_2 A_4^{-8} A_6^3 A_7^6 = R_{1,5}(8), \\ D_4 &= g_8^{-1} C_1 g_8 \cdot D_2^3 D_3^{-1} A_4^{74} A_6^7 A_7^4 A_8^{-20} A_9^{-5} = R_{1,4}(2), \\ D_5 &= g_4^{-1} C_1^{-1} g_4 \cdot D_4 A_4^{-2} A_6^{-1} A_7^{-2} A_8^2 A_9 = R_{1,5}(-4). \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have just shown the inclusion  $R_{1,4}(2) \in \langle x, y \rangle$ . Finally, let us set

$$\begin{aligned} g_9 &= (x y^2)^6 (x y)^2 x y^2 x y (x y^2)^2, \\ C_2 &= (g_2^{-1} g_4 x g_2 x g_4)^{-1} A_8 g_2^{-1} g_4 x g_2 x g_4 \cdot D_4 D_5^{-2} A_4^{25} A_6^{-1} A_7^{-4} A_9^2 = P_{1,4}(2) R_{1,5}(2). \end{aligned}$$

Now we are able to complete the proof by constructing the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} D_6 &= (g_2 x g_4)^{-1} C_2 g_2 x g_4 \cdot A_4^{-1} A_6^2 A_8^{-16} A_9^{-6} = R_{1,5}(2), \\ A_{10} &= C_2 D_6^{-1} = P_{1,4}(2), \\ D_7 &= g_9^{-1} C_1^{-1} g_9 \cdot D_4^3 A_4^{28} A_6^4 A_7^{24} A_8^6 A_9^{-9} = R_{1,2}(2), \\ D_8 &= (g_2^{-1} g_4 x g_2 x g_4)^{-1} A_9 g_2^{-1} g_4 x g_2 x g_4 \cdot D_4^{-5} D_6^{-6} A_4^{104} A_7^{10} A_8^{-4} A_9^{-5} A_{10}^9 = R_{1,3}(2). \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Let us define two subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}^{10}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= \{u = (u_1, \dots, u_{10})^T : u_6 = u_7 = \dots = u_{10} = 0\}, \\ U_2 &= \{u = (u_1, \dots, u_{10})^T : u_1 = u_2 = \dots = u_5 = 0\}. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

**Remark 3.2.**

Clearly,  $l_{10} + uv^T J + vu^T J$  has shape (1) if  $u, v \in U_1$  and has shape (2) if  $u, v \in U_2$ .

**Lemma 3.3.**

We have  $P_{1,1}(2), P_{i,j}(2) \in \langle x, y \rangle$ , where  $2 \leq i \leq j \leq 5$ .

**Proof.** First, we explain further constructions that are used in the proof of the lemma. Let  $u, v$  be two integral column-vectors orthogonal with respect to  $J$ , i.e.,  $v^T J u = 0$ . A direct computation shows that

$$S = l_{10} + uv^T J + vu^T J \in \text{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z}). \quad (6)$$

If we take

$$u = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T \quad (7)$$

and

$$v = ((a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + a_4b_4 + a_5b_5)/2, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5, 0, -a_2, -a_3, -a_4, -a_5)^T, \quad (8)$$

where all coefficients  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are even, then we can write  $S$  as

$$S = \prod_{i=2}^5 R_{1,i}(a_i) \cdot \prod_{i=2}^5 P_{1,i}(b_i). \quad (9)$$

In other words, since  $a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5$  are assumed to be even,  $S$  can be written as a product of suitable powers of  $D_7, D_8, D_4, D_6, A_9, A_8, A_{10}$ , and  $A_7$ . Hence, such  $S$  belongs to  $\langle x, y \rangle$  by Lemma 3.1. Assume further that  $g \in \langle x, y \rangle$  and  $g^{-1}u, g^{-1}v$  belong to  $U_1$ . Then  $g^{-1}Sg \in \langle x, y \rangle$  and

$$g^{-1}Sg = I_{10} + (g^{-1}u)(g^{-1}v)^T g^T Jg + (g^{-1}v)(g^{-1}u)^T g^T Jg = I_{10} + (g^{-1}u)(g^{-1}v)^T J + (g^{-1}v)(g^{-1}u)^T J$$

has shape (1) by the remark preceding the statement of the lemma. Moreover, the above conditions on  $v$  guarantee that  $g^{-1}Sg$  belongs to  $\langle P_{i,i}(4), P_{i,j}(2) : 1 \leq i < j \leq 5 \rangle$ .

Let us describe the strategy which is used in further computations.

1. We search for  $g \in \langle x, y \rangle$  such that the last five entries in the first column of  $g^{-1}$  vanish (this is equivalent to the condition  $g^{-1}u \in U_1$ , where  $u$  is given by (7)).
2. We find  $v$  of the form (8) such that  $g^{-1}v \in U_1$ , and find the corresponding decomposition (9) for  $S$ . After that we evaluate  $g^{-1}Sg$ .
3. Finally, to simplify the subsequent calculations we multiply  $g^{-1}Sg$  by suitable powers of

$$P_{1,1}(4), P_{1,2}(2), \dots, P_{1,5}(2) \in \langle x, y \rangle$$

(i.e., respectively by powers of  $A_4, A_9, A_8, A_{10}, A_7$  defined in the proof of Lemma 3.1) and obtain matrices from  $\langle P_{i,i}(4), P_{i,j}(2) : 2 \leq i < j \leq 5 \rangle$ .

Now we present the results of computation based on the above strategy. Let

$$\begin{aligned} g_{10} &= y^2((xy)^7xy^2)^2xy(xy^2)^2xyxy^2, \\ g_{11} &= y^2((xy^2)^3xy(xy^2)^4)^2xyxy^2x, \\ g_{12} &= y^2(xy^2)^4xy(xy^2)^9xy(xy^2)^4xyxy^2x, \\ g_{13} &= yxy^2((xy)^6xy^2(xy)^3)^2, \\ g_{14} &= yxy^2xyxy^2(xy(xy^2)^5)^2((xy^2)^2xy)^2xyxy^2, \\ g_{15} &= y(xy^2)^3(xy)^2(xy^2)^4xyxy^2(xy)^4(xy^2)^4(xy)^4xy^2xyxy^2x, \\ g_{16} &= (xy^2)^2xyxy^2xy(xy^2)^9xy(xy^2)^7x, \\ g_{17} &= y^2xy^2(xy)^2(xy^2)^8xy(xy^2)^2xyxy^2xy(xy^2)^2xy(xy^2)^3, \\ g_{18} &= (xy^2)^2xy(xy^2)^4(xyxy^2)^2xy^2(xy)^2(xy^2)^2xyxy^2(xy)^2(xy)^2(xy^2xy)^2(xy^2)^2xyx, \\ g_{19} &= y^2((xy^2)^3xy)^2xy^2xy(xy^2)^2(xy^2xy)^3xy(xy^2)^2xy(xyxy^2)^2xyx, \\ g_{20} &= y^2xyxy^2(xy)^{10}xy^2(xy)^5xy^2xy(xy^2)^3xyx, \\ g_{21} &= (xy^2)^4xy(xy^2)^9(xy(xy^2)^2)^2xyxy^2(xy)^3xy^2xy(xy^2)^3x, \\ g_{22} &= xy^2(xy)^2(xy^2)^2(xy)^7xy^2(xy^2xy)^2. \end{aligned}$$

All these matrices as well as  $g_{16}g_2xg_4$  and  $g_{11}g_2xg_4$  satisfy the condition  $g^{-1}u \in U_1$ . Using the idea described at the beginning of the proof we can find 15 upper-block triangular matrices  $A_{11}, \dots, A_{25} \in \langle x, y \rangle \cap \langle P_{i,i}(4), P_{i,j}(2) : 2 \leq i < j \leq 5 \rangle$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{11} &= g_{10}^{-1} D_7^{13} A_7^3 A_8^{-1} A_9^{-6} A_{10}^3 g_{10} \cdot A_4^{310} A_7^2 A_8^{708} A_9^{325} A_{10}^{-335}, \\
A_{12} &= g_{11}^{-1} D_7 A_7^2 A_8^2 A_9^{-4} A_{10}^{-2} g_{11} \cdot A_4^{11} A_7^2 A_8^{36} A_9^{10} A_{10}^{-17}, \\
A_{13} &= g_{12}^{-1} D_7^{-5} A_7^7 A_8^{-22} A_9^{-12} A_{10}^{-15} g_{12} \cdot A_4^{-54} A_7^5 A_8^{-272} A_9^{-92} A_{10}^{107}, \\
A_{14} &= g_{13}^{-1} D_7^{45} A_7^{24} A_8^{24} A_9^{-62} A_{10}^{-15} g_{13} \cdot A_4^{2787} A_7^{15} A_8^{16759} A_9^{5571} A_{10}^{-5577}, \\
A_{15} &= g_{14}^{-1} D_7 A_7 A_8^2 A_9^{-4} A_{10}^{-2} g_{14} \cdot A_4^{13} A_7^{16} A_8^{41} A_9^{21} A_{10}^{-14}, \\
A_{16} &= g_{15}^{-1} D_7^2 A_7 A_8^3 A_9^{-4} A_{10}^{-2} g_{15} \cdot A_4^{12} A_7^{19} A_8^{94} A_9^{59} A_{10}^{-18}, \\
A_{17} &= g_{16}^{-1} D_7^{-12} A_7 A_8^{-4} A_9^{11} g_{16} \cdot A_4^{158} A_7^8 A_8^{-867} A_9^{-288} A_{10}^{284}, \\
A_{18} &= (g_{16}g_2xg_4)^{-1} D_7^{-12} A_7 A_8^{-4} A_9^{11} g_{16}g_2xg_4 \cdot A_4^{147} A_7^8 A_8^{841} A_9^{274} A_{10}^{-289}, \\
A_{19} &= (g_{11}g_2xg_4)^{-1} D_7 A_7^2 A_8^2 A_9^{-4} A_{10}^{-2} g_{11}g_2xg_4 \cdot A_4^{15} A_7^2 A_8^{-62} A_9^{-20} A_{10}^{17}, \\
A_{20} &= g_{17}^{-1} D_7^{-34} A_7^5 A_8^{14} A_9^{33} A_{10}^4 g_{17} \cdot A_4^{1186} A_7^{-18} A_8^{2317} A_9^{28} A_{10}^{-2343}, \\
A_{21} &= g_{18}^{-1} D_7^2 A_7^2 A_8^{25} A_9^6 A_{10}^{-9} g_{18} \cdot A_4^{-8} A_7^{-4} A_8^{-18} A_9^{-14} A_{10}^4, \\
A_{22} &= g_{19}^{-1} A_8^{-3} A_9^{-1} A_{10} g_{19} \cdot A_4^{-72} A_7^{-59} A_8^{-150} A_9^{-50} A_{10}^{93}, \\
A_{23} &= g_{20}^{-1} D_7^{-1} A_7 A_8^5 A_9^2 A_{10}^{-1} g_{20} \cdot A_4^4 A_8^4 A_9^{-1} A_{10}^{-1}, \\
A_{24} &= g_{21}^{-1} D_7^{-1} A_7 A_8^{-13} A_9^{-6} A_{10}^6 g_{21} \cdot A_4^{-34} A_7^{-43} A_8^{135} A_9^{34} A_{10}^{-26}, \\
A_{25} &= g_{22}^{-1} D_7^{11} A_7^{11} A_8^{61} A_9^5 A_{10}^{-18} g_{22} \cdot A_4^{-176} A_7^{-358} A_8^{-984} A_9^{-134} A_{10}^{530}.
\end{aligned}$$

The matrices  $A_{11}, \dots, A_{25}$  can be written in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}
A_i &= I_{10} + k_1^{(i)} e_{2,7} + k_2^{(i)} (e_{2,8} + e_{3,7}) + k_3^{(i)} (e_{2,9} + e_{4,7}) + k_4^{(i)} (e_{2,10} + e_{5,7}) + k_5^{(i)} e_{3,8} \\
&\quad + k_6^{(i)} (e_{3,9} + e_{4,8}) + k_7^{(i)} (e_{3,10} + e_{5,8}) + k_8^{(i)} e_{4,9} + k_9^{(i)} (e_{4,10} + e_{5,9}) + k_{10}^{(i)} e_{5,10}.
\end{aligned}$$

For reader's convenience, we present the values of the coefficients  $k_j^{(i)}$  in Table 1.

**Table 1.** The coefficients  $k_j^{(i)}$

$i$	$k_1^{(i)}$	$k_2^{(i)}$	$k_3^{(i)}$	$k_4^{(i)}$	$k_5^{(i)}$	$k_6^{(i)}$	$k_7^{(i)}$	$k_8^{(i)}$	$k_9^{(i)}$	$k_{10}^{(i)}$
11	-340	-738	350	-2	-1592	758	-4	-360	2	0
12	4	0	10	-4	-36	42	-12	-24	4	0
13	152	448	-182	-10	1320	-538	-30	212	10	0
14	-11136	-33500	11148	-30	-100776	33536	-90	-11160	30	0
15	-32	-52	18	-22	-24	10	-22	-4	8	-12
16	-276	-434	82	-88	-680	128	-138	-24	26	-28
17	-520	-1566	512	16	-4716	1542	48	-504	-16	0
18	-508	-1562	538	-16	-4800	1652	-48	-568	16	0
19	-20	-64	14	4	-204	46	12	-8	-4	0
20	0	-56	56	0	-4524	4576	36	-4628	-36	0
21	20	30	-10	10	40	-10	10	0	0	0
22	32	96	-64	40	288	-192	120	120	-76	48
23	0	8	0	0	20	-2	0	0	0	0
24	0	34	0	-34	236	-26	-144	0	26	52
25	92	732	-404	274	5472	-2964	2004	1596	-1078	728

Clearly, the matrices  $A_{11}, \dots, A_{25}$  commute pairwise. It turns out that we can express  $P_{i,i}(4)$ ,  $P_{i,j}(2)$ ,  $2 \leq i < j \leq 5$ , as certain products of their powers:

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{26} &= A_{11}^4 A_{12}^{663} A_{13}^{-539} A_{14}^{41} A_{15}^{-2990} A_{16}^{284} A_{17}^{-1062} A_{18}^{-64} A_{19}^{-130} A_{20}^{-7} A_{21}^{-2758} A_{22}^{-441} A_{23}^{-7712} A_{24}^{-410} A_{25}^{20} = P_{2,2}(4), \\
A_{27} &= A_{11}^{-223} A_{12}^{-1296} A_{13}^{-439} A_{14}^{273} A_{15}^{1344} A_{16}^{-754} A_{17}^{-2481} A_{18}^{-3281} A_{19}^{-115} A_{20}^{16} A_{21}^{-4816} A_{22}^{388} A_{23}^{4726} A_{24}^{176} A_{25}^{-45} = P_{2,3}(2), \\
A_{28} &= A_{11}^{-193} A_{12}^{-544} A_{13}^{-422} A_{14}^{430} A_{15}^{-526} A_{16}^{86} A_{17}^{-6663} A_{18}^{-2402} A_{19}^{-2032} A_{20}^5 A_{21}^{2806} A_{22}^{365} A_{23}^{4126} A_{24}^{-818} A_{25}^{29} = P_{2,4}(2), \\
A_{29} &= A_{11}^9 A_{12}^{726} A_{13}^{84} A_{14}^{107} A_{15}^{-1073} A_{16}^{478} A_{17}^{-2505} A_{18}^{295} A_{19}^{-1555} A_{20}^{-6} A_{21}^{4432} A_{22}^3 A_{23}^{-153} A_{24}^{-595} A_{25}^{43} = P_{2,5}(2), \\
A_{30} &= A_{11}^{-165} A_{12}^{-1434} A_{13}^{-605} A_{14}^{287} A_{15}^{-564} A_{16}^{-147} A_{17}^{-4236} A_{18}^{-1920} A_{19}^{-842} A_{20}^6 A_{21}^{-1107} A_{22}^{186} A_{23}^{1502} A_{24}^{-423} A_{25}^3 = P_{3,3}(4), \\
A_{31} &= A_{11}^{-288} A_{12}^{-1498} A_{13}^{-1044} A_{14}^{424} A_{15}^{-1500} A_{16}^{-523} A_{17}^{-5165} A_{18}^{-3976} A_{19}^{-1498} A_{20}^{12} A_{21}^{-7035} A_{22}^{101} A_{23}^{-1052} A_{24}^{-413} A_{25}^{-22} = P_{3,3}(2), \\
A_{32} &= A_{11}^{-156} A_{12}^{-858} A_{13}^{189} A_{14}^{144} A_{15}^{2868} A_{16}^{-755} A_{17}^{-402} A_{18}^{-2403} A_{19}^{-604} A_{20}^{16} A_{21}^{-2281} A_{22}^{529} A_{23}^{7875} A_{24}^{453} A_{25}^{-49} = P_{3,5}(2), \\
A_{33} &= A_{11}^{-130} A_{12}^{-333} A_{13}^{-138} A_{14}^{66} A_{15}^{1249} A_{16}^{-787} A_{17}^{1004} A_{18}^{-2361} A_{19}^{196} A_{20}^{13} A_{21}^{-6846} A_{22}^{150} A_{23}^{1666} A_{24}^{552} A_{25}^{-59} = P_{4,4}(4), \\
A_{34} &= A_{11}^{-193} A_{12}^{-1167} A_{13}^{-919} A_{14}^{282} A_{15}^{-2016} A_{16}^{-287} A_{17}^{-3592} A_{18}^{-2583} A_{19}^{-1075} A_{20}^6 A_{21}^{-6106} A_{22}^{-94} A_{23}^{-3519} A_{24}^{-379} A_{25}^{-11} = P_{4,5}(2), \\
A_{35} &= A_{11}^{-45} A_{12}^{321} A_{13}^{570} A_{14}^{3182} A_{15}^{-439} A_{16}^{713} A_{17}^{-1022} A_{18}^{116} A_{19}^{10} A_{20}^{1505} A_{21}^{494} A_{22}^{8278} A_{23}^{462} A_{24}^{-30} A_{25}^0 = P_{5,5}(4).
\end{aligned}$$

To complete the proof of Lemma 3.3 it remains to show that  $P_{i,i}(2) \in \langle x, y \rangle$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 5$ . For this purpose let us define the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{23} &= yxy \left( (xy)^4 (xy^2)^2 \right)^2, \\
g_{24} &= (xyxy^2)^3 (xy)^2 (xyxy^2)^2 (xy)^3 xy^2 (xy)^2 x, \\
g_{25} &= (xyxy^2)^3, \\
C_3 &= (xy)^3 (xyxy^2)^2,
\end{aligned}$$

and set

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{36} &= (C_3 g_{24})^4 A_8^{-1} A_9^{-1} A_{27}^{-1} A_{28}^{-1} A_{30}^4 A_{31}^{-3} A_{33} = P_{1,1}(2) P_{4,4}(2), \\
A_{37} &= A_{36}^{-1} (C_3 g_{23})^{20} A_8^8 A_7^{15} A_8^{60} A_9^{15} A_{10}^{-15} A_{26}^8 A_{27}^{60} A_{28}^{-15} A_{29}^{15} A_{30}^{120} A_{31}^{-60} A_{32}^{60} A_{33}^8 A_{34}^{-15} A_{35}^8 = P_{2,2}(2) P_{5,5}(2), \\
A_{38} &= (A_{37} g_{25}^{-1})^2 A_8^{-2} A_9^{-1} A_{26}^{-1} A_{27}^{-2} A_{30}^{-2} A_{35}^{-1} = P_{1,1}(2), \\
A_{39} &= (A_{36} g_{25}^{-1})^2 A_7^{-1} A_8^{-4} A_{10}^{-8} A_{30}^4 A_{31}^{-4} A_{32}^{-4} A_{33}^{-1} A_{34} A_{38}^{-3} = P_{5,5}(2), \\
A_{40} &= A_{38}^{-1} A_{36} = P_{4,4}(2), \\
A_{41} &= A_{39}^{-1} A_{37} = P_{2,2}(2), \\
A_{42} &= (g_{24} x g_4 A_{41}^{-1})^{-2} A_8^{-9} A_9^{-6} A_{27}^{-6} A_{30}^{-4} A_{38}^{-9} A_{41}^{-5} = P_{3,3}(2).
\end{aligned}$$

The last five entries complete the proof. □

#### Lemma 3.4.

We have  $R_{1,i}(1)$ ,  $P_{3,5}(1)$ ,  $P_{1,j}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$  for  $2 \leq i \leq 5$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq 5$ .

**Proof.** Let us define

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{26} &= y (xy)^2 (xyxy^2)^5 (xy)^3 (xyxy^2)^2, \\
g_{27} &= y (xy^2 xyxy^2)^2 xy (xyxy^2)^2, \\
g_{28} &= (xy)^2 (xy^2)^2 (xyxy^2)^2 (xy^2)^3 x, \\
g_{29} &= (xyxy^2)^3 (xy)^2 (xy^2)^2 (xyxy^2)^2 xy^2 xy (xyxy^2)^2,
\end{aligned}$$



and consider

$$\begin{aligned}
D_9 &= (A_{27}g_{26}^{-1}yxg_5^{-2})^{-2}A_8A_{27}A_{31}^{-1}A_{32}^2 = R_{3,5}(2), \\
D_{10} &= (g_{26}A_{27}^{-1})^2A_8^{-2}A_{27}A_{31}^2A_{42}^{-10} = R_{3,4}(2), \\
D_{11} &= (A_{31}x)^{-2}A_{27}A_{31}A_{32}^{-1}A_{42}^{-2} = R_{3,2}(2), \\
D_{12} &= (A_{31}g_5^{-1}g_{25}^{-1})^2D_9A_{27}A_{31}^{-2}A_{32}^{-2}A_{42}^2 = R_{3,1}(2), \\
D_{13} &= (g_2xg_4C_1)^2D_4^3D_{10}^{-1}A_8^{72}A_9^{31}A_{10}^{-6}A_{27}^{26}A_{28}^{-4}A_{31}^{-4}A_{38}^{72}A_{41}^{-12}A_{42}^{64} = R_{2,4}(-4), \\
D_{14} &= (A_{27}g_{27}^{-1})^2A_{27}^2A_{28}^2A_{41}^{-6} = R_{2,4}(2)R_{2,5}(2), \\
D_{15} &= g_{28}^{-1}D_{14}g_{28} \cdot D_6^{-6}D_9^{-4}D_{13}^{-1}D_{14}^{-2}A_7^{-12}A_8^{-80}A_9^{-33}A_{10}^{12}A_{27}^6A_{28}^6A_{29}^{-6}A_{31}^8A_{32}^{-8}A_{38}^{-204}A_{41}^{18}A_{42}^{-16} = R_{2,5}(2).
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, we can obtain the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}
C_4 &= (xy^2xy(xy^2)^2(xy)^2(xy^2)^2(xy)^5(xyxy^2)^2x)^{15}, \\
C_5 &= C_4D_6^2D_9D_{13}D_{14}^2A_7^{-4}A_8^{39}A_9^{22}A_{10}^{-6}A_{27}^{39}A_{28}^{-6}A_{29}^{-4}A_{31}^{-16}A_{32}^{-5}A_{34}^{22}A_{38}^6A_{40}^{22}A_{41}^{70}A_{42}^{-70}.
\end{aligned}$$

The advantage of  $C_4$  and  $C_5$  is that they have shape (3) and some of their non-diagonal entries are odd. Moreover,  $C_5$  will help us to construct the first matrix of shape (1) with the block  $L$  containing only ones and zeros, namely

$$A_{43} = (g_2xg_4C_5^{-1})^{-2}D_6^{-1}D_9^{-1}D_{15}^{-1}A_7^{-2}A_8^{-7}A_9^{-6}A_{10}^4A_{27}^{-12}A_{28}^7A_{29}^{-4}A_{31}^{13}A_{32}^{-8}A_{34}^2A_{38}^{-6}A_{40}^{-5}A_{41}^{-8}A_{42}^{-21}.$$

Now let us set

$$\begin{aligned}
C_6 &= (g_3^{-1}g_6)^{-1}A_{43}g_3^{-1}g_6 \cdot D_{10}^2D_{12}D_{14}D_{15}^{-1}A_8^6A_9^7A_{27}^{-1}A_{31}^{-3}A_{41}^2A_{42}^2 = R_{2,1}(-1)P_{2,2}(1)P_{2,4}(1), \\
C_7 &= (g_{25}g_4^{-1}xg_2^{-1})^{-1}C_6g_{25}g_4^{-1}xg_2^{-1} \cdot D_9^2D_{10}^2D_{11}A_8^6A_{27}^3A_{31}^{-5}A_{32}^{-1}A_{42}^{34} = R_{3,1}(1)R_{3,2}(1)R_{3,4}(1)P_{3,3}(1)P_{3,5}(1), \\
C_8 &= (g_{26}g_4^{-1})^{-1}C_6g_{26}g_4^{-1} \cdot D_9^{-3}D_{10}D_{11}D_{12}^2A_8^{-1}A_{27}^3A_{31}^4A_{32}^6A_{42}^{36} = R_{3,1}(1)R_{3,2}(1)P_{1,3}(1)P_{2,3}(1)P_{3,3}(-1), \\
C_9 &= (g_{29}g_3^{-1})^{-1}C_6g_{29}g_3^{-1} \cdot D_9^{-3}D_{11}D_{12}^{-1}A_{27}^{-3}A_{31}^{-1}A_{32}^6A_{42}^{75} = R_{3,2}(1)R_{3,5}(1)P_{2,3}(1)P_{3,4}(1), \\
C_{10} &= (g_7g_2)^{-1}C_6g_7g_2 \cdot D_9^2D_{11}^2D_{12}^2A_{27}^5A_{31}^{-3}A_{32}^{28}A_{42}^2 = R_{3,1}(1)R_{3,2}(1)R_{3,5}(1)P_{3,3}(1), \\
C_{11} &= (g_3^{-1}g_{26})^{-1}C_6g_3^{-1}g_{26} \cdot D_9^5D_{10}^3D_{11}D_{12}^{-1}A_8^6A_{27}^4A_{31}^{-8}A_{32}^{-5}A_{42}^{138} = R_{3,2}(1)R_{3,4}(1)R_{3,5}(1)P_{3,4}(1), \\
C_{12} &= (g_{27}g_3^{-1})^{-1}C_6g_{27}g_3^{-1} \cdot D_9^{-1}D_{10}^2D_{11}^2A_8^4A_{27}^{-1}A_{31}^4A_{32}^3A_{42}^{42} = R_{3,1}(1)R_{3,2}(1)R_{3,4}(1)R_{3,5}(1)P_{2,3}(1)P_{3,3}(-1)P_{3,5}(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Using them we are now able to prove some of the statements of the lemma. Namely, take

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{44} &= C_7C_8^{-1}C_{10}C_{12}^{-1}A_8A_{27}A_{42}^2 = P_{1,3}(1), \\
A_{45} &= C_7C_8^{-1}C_9C_{11}^{-1}A_{44} = P_{3,5}(1), \\
A_{46} &= (g_2xg_4)^{-1}A_{44}g_2xg_4 \cdot A_8^{-1}A_{38}^{-1} = P_{1,2}(1), \\
A_{47} &= (g_2xg_5x)^{-1}A_{44}g_2xg_5x \cdot D_4^{-1}D_6^{-1}A_7^2A_{10}^3A_{38}^{-3}A_{46}^{-1} = P_{1,5}(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Futhermore, let us consider

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{30} &= (xy^2)^3(xy)^2(xy^2)^2xy(xy^2)^7(xy)^3x, \\
g_{31} &= ((xy^2)^2xy)^2(xy)^2, \\
g_{32} &= y(xy^2)^2(xy)^2(xy^2)^4xyxy^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Now we finish the proof by constructing the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{16} &= (g_5 g_4)^{-1} A_{44} g_5 g_4 \cdot A_{10} A_{38}^{-3} A_{44}^{-3} = R_{1,4}(1), \\
A_{48} &= (g_2 x g_{31})^{-1} A_{44} g_2 x g_{31} \cdot g_{30}^{-1} A_{47}^{-1} g_{30} \cdot D_6^7 D_7^{-1} D_{16}^5 A_{10}^{-6} A_{38}^{180} A_{44}^{-9} A_{46}^6 A_{47}^{-20} = P_{1,4}(1), \\
D_{17} &= g_{32}^{-1} D_{16} g_{32} \cdot D_6^{-1} D_7^2 D_8^{-2} D_{16}^{-11} A_8^{-4} A_9^{-4} A_{38}^{63} A_{47}^{11} A_{48}^{11} = R_{1,5}(1), \\
D_{18} &= (g_{31}^{-1} g_4 x g_2 x g_4)^{-1} A_{47} g_{31}^{-1} g_4 x g_2 x g_4 \cdot D_6 D_7^2 D_{16}^5 D_{17}^{-1} A_{38}^{31} A_{44}^{14} A_{47}^{-3} A_{48}^{-9} = R_{1,2}(1), \\
A_{49} &= (g_{31}^{-1} g_4 x)^{-1} A_{44} g_{31}^{-1} g_4 x \cdot D_6^2 D_{16} D_{17}^{-1} A_7^{-2} A_9 A_{10}^{-1} A_{38}^{10} A_{48}^{-1} = P_{1,1}(1), \\
D_{19} &= g_{30}^{-1} D_{18} g_{30} \cdot D_8^5 D_{16}^{14} D_{17}^{-2} D_{18}^{-11} A_{44}^{12} A_{46}^{19} A_{47}^{-14} A_{48}^{-9} A_{49}^{169} = R_{1,3}(1). \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

### Lemma 3.5.

We have  $P_{i,j}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$  for  $2 \leq i \leq j \leq 5$ .

**Proof.** We argue as at the beginning of the proof of Lemma 3.3, but now we consider  $v \in (\frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z})^{10}$  of shape (8) with  $a_i, b_j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , i.e. without any assumptions on their parity (taking  $u$  as in (7) we always have that  $uv^T J + vu^T J$  is an integral matrix). Again, the matrix  $S$  defined by (6) can be represented in the form (9), where now the product is in  $\langle x, y \rangle$  by Lemma 3.4. In other words,  $S$  is a product of suitable powers of  $D_{18}, D_{19}, D_{16}, D_{17}, A_{46}, A_{44}, A_{48}$ , and  $A_{47}$ . Set

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{33} &= y^2 x y^2 (x y)^2 (x y^2)^5 x y x y^2 (x y)^4 (x y^2)^4 (x y x y^2)^3 (x y^2)^2 (x y)^4 (x y^2)^2 x, \\
g_{34} &= x y (x y)^7 x y^2 (x y)^5 (x y^2)^2 x.
\end{aligned}$$

It is easy to check that the last five entries in the first column of  $g_{33}^{-1}, g_{34}^{-1}$  as well as  $(g_{16} g_2 x g_4)^{-1}$  vanish. Recall that the same property holds for  $g_{10}^{-1}, \dots, g_{22}^{-1}$  constructed in the proof of Lemma 3.3. Hence, for these matrices  $g$  we have  $g^{-1}u \in U_1$ . Finding suitable vectors  $v$  and reasoning in the same way as in the proof of Lemma 3.3, we define the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{50} &= g_{10}^{-1} D_{18}^{13} A_{44}^{-1} A_{46}^{-6} A_{47}^3 A_{48}^3 g_{10} \cdot A_{44}^{396} A_{46}^{169} A_{47}^2 A_{48}^{-179} A_{49}^{308}, \\
A_{51} &= g_{12}^{-1} D_{18}^{-5} A_{44}^{-22} A_{46}^{-12} A_{47}^7 A_{48}^{-15} g_{12} \cdot A_{44}^{-92} A_{46}^{-32} A_{47}^5 A_{48}^{47} A_{49}^{-48}, \\
A_{52} &= g_{14}^{-1} D_{18} A_{44}^2 A_{46}^{-4} A_{47} A_{48}^{-2} g_{14} \cdot A_{44}^{29} A_{46}^{17} A_{47}^{12} A_{48}^{-10} A_{49}^{22}, \\
A_{53} &= g_{16}^{-1} D_{18}^{-12} A_{44}^{-4} A_{46}^{11} A_{47} g_{16} \cdot A_{44}^{-471} A_{46}^{-156} A_{47}^8 A_{48}^{152} A_{49}^{184}, \\
A_{54} &= (g_{16} g_2 x g_4)^{-1} D_{18}^{-12} A_{44}^{-4} A_{46}^{11} A_{47} g_{16} g_2 x g_4 \cdot A_{44}^{445} A_{46}^{142} A_{47}^8 A_{48}^{-157} A_{49}^{162}, \\
A_{55} &= g_{22}^{-1} D_{18}^{11} A_{44}^{61} A_{46}^5 A_{47}^{11} A_{48}^{-18} g_{22} \cdot A_{44}^{-324} A_{46}^{-24} A_{47}^{-138} A_{48}^{200} A_{49}^{-132}, \\
A_{56} &= g_{33}^{-1} D_{18}^{-19} A_{44}^{195} A_{46}^{73} A_{47}^{19} A_{48}^{-43} g_{33} \cdot A_{44}^{39674} A_{46}^{15818} A_{47}^{3983} A_{48}^{-7963} A_{49}^{11901}, \\
A_{57} &= g_{34}^{-1} D_{18}^{-1} A_{44}^{12} A_{46}^5 A_{47}^3 A_{48}^{-2} g_{34} \cdot A_{44}^{-85} A_{46}^{-28} A_{47}^2 A_{48}^{25} A_{49}^{35}.
\end{aligned}$$

Clearly, the matrices  $A_{51}, \dots, A_{57}$  can be written in the form (10). The coefficients  $k_j^{(i)}$  are presented in Table 2. Moreover, we can simplify the result by making the reduction modulo 2 (the possibility of such simplification follows from Lemmas 3.1 and 3.3; moreover, using  $A_{45} = P_{3,5}(1)$  it is possible to make  $k_7^{(i)}$  equal 0):

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{58} &= A_{50} A_{27}^{107} A_{28}^{-48} A_{29} A_{31}^{-111} A_{40}^{51} A_{41}^{46} A_{42}^{242} A_{45}^2, \\
A_{59} &= A_{51} A_{27}^{-22} A_{28}^{16} A_{29}^3 A_{31}^{45} A_{34}^{-2} A_{40}^{-23} A_{41}^{-8} A_{42}^{-60} A_{45}^{15}, \\
A_{60} &= A_{52} A_{27}^7 A_{28}^{-2} A_{29}^4 A_{31}^4 A_{39} A_{40}^{-1} A_{41}^6 A_{42}^{-12} A_{45}^{-1}, \\
A_{61} &= A_{53} A_{27}^{194} A_{28}^{-62} A_{29}^{-4} A_{31}^{-187} A_{34}^4 A_{40}^{60} A_{41}^{64} A_{42}^{585} A_{45}^{-24}, \\
A_{62} &= A_{54} A_{27}^{193} A_{28}^{-68} A_{29}^4 A_{31}^{-215} A_{34}^{-4} A_{40}^{76} A_{41}^{61} A_{42}^{606} A_{45}^{24}, \\
A_{63} &= A_{55} A_{27}^{-18} A_{28}^{19} A_{29}^{-13} A_{31}^{246} A_{34}^{105} A_{39}^{-72} A_{40}^{-151} A_{41}^5 A_{42}^{-378} A_{45}^{-342}, \\
A_{64} &= A_{56} A_{27}^{26366} A_{28}^{-5292} A_{29}^{2647} A_{31}^{-13273} A_{34}^{-1332} A_{39}^{667} A_{40}^{2664} A_{41}^{10512} A_{42}^{66130} A_{45}^{13278}, \\
A_{65} &= A_{57} A_{27}^{32} A_{28}^{-9} A_{29}^{-1} A_{31}^{-27} A_{34} A_{40}^8 A_{41}^{11} A_{42}^{98} A_{45}^{-6}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Table 2.** The coefficients  $k_j^{(i)}$ 

$i$	$k_1^{(i)}$	$k_2^{(i)}$	$k_3^{(i)}$	$k_4^{(i)}$	$k_5^{(i)}$	$k_6^{(i)}$	$k_7^{(i)}$	$k_8^{(i)}$	$k_9^{(i)}$	$k_{10}^{(i)}$
50	-92	-213	97	-1	-484	223	-2	-102	1	0
51	16	44	-31	-5	120	-89	-15	46	5	0
52	-12	-14	5	-7	24	-7	1	2	0	-2
53	-128	-387	124	8	-1170	375	24	-120	-8	0
54	-122	-385	137	-8	-1212	430	-24	-152	8	0
55	-9	36	-37	27	756	-492	342	303	-209	144
56	-21024	-52732	10584	-5294	-132260	26546	-13278	-5328	2665	-1333
57	-21	-64	18	2	-195	55	6	-15	-2	0

The matrices  $A_{58}, \dots, A_{65}$  satisfy (10) with  $k_j^{(i)} \in \{0, 1\}$ . The coefficients  $k_j^{(i)}$  are listed in Table 3.

**Table 3.** The coefficients  $k_j^{(i)}$ 

$i$	$k_1^{(i)}$	$k_2^{(i)}$	$k_3^{(i)}$	$k_4^{(i)}$	$k_5^{(i)}$	$k_6^{(i)}$	$k_7^{(i)}$	$k_8^{(i)}$	$k_9^{(i)}$	$k_{10}^{(i)}$
58	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
59	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
60	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
61	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
62	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
63	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
65	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0

Recall that we already have  $P_{3,5}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$  by Lemma 3.4. To complete the proof it is enough to construct the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{66} &= A_{58}A_{59}^{-1} = P_{2,3}(1), \\
A_{67} &= A_{59}A_{60}^{-1} = P_{4,5}(1), \\
A_{68} &= A_{61}A_{66}^{-1} = P_{3,4}(1), \\
A_{69} &= A_{62}A_{66}^{-1} = P_{2,4}(1), \\
A_{70} &= A_{59}A_{67}^{-1}A_{68}^{-1}A_{69}^{-1} = P_{2,5}(1), \\
A_{71} &= A_{64}A_{67}^{-1} = P_{5,5}(1), \\
A_{72} &= A_{63}A_{67}^{-1}A_{69}^{-1}A_{70}^{-1} = P_{2,2}(1)P_{4,4}(1), \\
A_{73} &= A_{65}A_{68}^{-1}A_{72}^{-1} = P_{3,3}(1), \\
A_{74} &= (g_2xg_4)^{-1}A_{72}g_2xg_4 \cdot A_{41}^{-4}A_{44}^{-9}A_{46}^{-6}A_{49}^{-9}A_{66}^{-18}A_{68}^6A_{69}^2A_{73}^{-45} = P_{4,4}(1), \\
A_{75} &= A_{72}A_{74}^{-1} = P_{2,2}(1).
\end{aligned}$$

□

The statements of Lemma 3.4 and Lemma 3.5 show us that  $P_{i,j}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5$ . Using this fact we can prove that  $Q_{i,j}(1)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5$ , are also in  $\langle x, y \rangle$ .

### Lemma 3.6.

For  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5$  we have  $Q_{i,j}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$ .

**Proof.** Observe that

$$S = I_{10} \pm uu^T J \in \begin{cases} \langle P_{i,j}(1) : 1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5 \rangle \subset \langle x, y \rangle & \text{if } u \in U_1, \\ \langle Q_{i,j}(1) : 1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5 \rangle & \text{if } u \in U_2. \end{cases}$$

Here  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are the subsets defined in (5) and the matrix  $J$  is defined at the beginning of Section 2. Also it is clear that

$$g^{-1}Sg = g^{-1}(I_{10} \pm uu^T J)g = I_{10} \pm (g^{-1}u)(g^{-1}u)^T g^T J g = I_{10} \pm (g^{-1}u)(g^{-1}u)^T J$$

provided  $g \in \text{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$ . Thus, if we take  $g \in \langle x, y \rangle \subseteq \text{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$  and  $u \in U_1$  such that  $g^{-1}u \in U_2$ , then the above matrix  $g^{-1}Sg$  belongs to  $\langle Q_{i,j}(1) : 1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5 \rangle \cap \langle x, y \rangle$ . Set

$$\begin{aligned} g_{35} &= y(xy)^2(xy^2(xy)^3)^2(xy)^4(xy^2)^2xyx, \\ g_{36} &= xy(xy^2)^2(xy)^3(xy^2)^2, \\ g_{37} &= y(xy)^2xy^2(xy)^3(xy^2)^2xyx, \\ g_{38} &= (xy)^5(xy^2)^2(xy)^4(xy^2)^5(xy)^3, \\ g_{39} &= y^2xy^2(xy)^2x, \\ g_{40} &= y(xyxy^2)^2(xy^2)^2xy, \\ g_{41} &= y^2xyxy^2xy(xy^2)^4xyx, \\ g_{42} &= yxy^2xy(xy^2)^2xy(xy^2)^4(xy)^3(xy^2)^2(xy)^2(xy^2)^3xyx, \\ g_{43} &= y((xy^2)^3xy)^2xy^2, \\ g_{44} &= (xy^2)^5xyxy^2x, \\ g_{45} &= (xyxy^2)^2xy(xyxy^2)^3xy((xy)^2xy^2)^2(xyxy^2)^3y, \\ g_{46} &= y(xy^2)^2(xyxy^2)^2(xy)^4x, \\ g_{47} &= (xy^2)^3(xyxy^2)^3x, \\ g_{48} &= y(xy)^4(xyxy^2)^3(xy^2)^2, \\ g_{49} &= xyxy^2(xy)^7xy^2(xy)^2x, \\ g_{50} &= y^2(xy^2)^3, \\ g_{51} &= (xy^2xy)^3xyxy^2, \end{aligned}$$

and also

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= (1, 1, 2, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_2 &= (-1, 1, 3, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_3 &= (-2, -7, -20, 1, -5, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_4 &= (-10, -29, -64, 3, -4, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_5 &= (-4, 0, -2, 3, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_6 &= (-7, -19, -31, 5, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_7 &= (-3, -3, -11, 4, -3, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_8 &= (-6, -3, 13, -4, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_9 &= (-6, -6, -19, 7, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_{10} &= (1, -3, -8, 2, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_{11} &= (0, -2, -6, 1, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_{12} &= (-3, -2, -4, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\ u_{13} &= (-5, 0, -2, 3, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_{14} &= (2, -2, -5, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\
u_{15} &= (-8, -11, -29, 7, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\
u_{16} &= (-1, -3, -11, 3, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T, \\
u_{17} &= (-1, 0, -1, 1, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T.
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, let us consider

$$B_i = \begin{cases} g_{34+i}^{-1} (I_{10} + u_i u_i^T J) g_{34+i} & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq 15, \\ g_{34+i}^{-1} (I_{10} - u_i u_i^T J) g_{34+i} & \text{if } i = 16, 17, \end{cases}$$

which belong to  $\langle Q_{i,j}(1) : 1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5 \rangle \cap \langle x, y \rangle$ . Clearly,  $B_1, \dots, B_{17}$  commute pairwise. It turns out that they generate the same subgroup of  $\mathrm{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$  as  $Q_{i,j}(1)$  do. Namely, we can express the matrices  $Q_{i,j}(1)$  as the following products of  $B_1, \dots, B_{17}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_{1,1}(1) &= B_1^{-97} B_2^{-105} B_3^{12} B_4^{14} B_5^{-21} B_7^{95} B_8^{17} B_9^{137} B_{10}^{10} B_{12}^{-29} B_{13}^{-10} B_{14}^{-277} B_{15}^{-19} B_{16}^{-40} B_{17}^{65}, \\
Q_{1,2}(1) &= B_1^{34} B_2^{42} B_3^6 B_4 B_5^{-9} B_6^{-10} B_7^{30} B_8^{-2} B_9^{-5} B_{10}^{56} B_{11}^{-15} B_{12}^{36} B_{13}^{-14} B_{14}^{-122} B_{15}^{-6} B_{16}^{-48} B_{17}^{16}, \\
Q_{1,3}(1) &= B_1^{-160} B_2^{-221} B_3^{-20} B_4^{-3} B_5^{26} B_6^{34} B_7^{-93} B_8^{88} B_9^{22} B_{10}^{-180} B_{11}^{63} B_{12}^{-122} B_{13}^{54} B_{14}^{396} B_{15}^{19} B_{16}^{182} B_{17}^{-45}, \\
Q_{1,4}(1) &= B_1^{-111} B_2^{-140} B_3^{-2} B_4^{16} B_5^{11} B_6^{11} B_7^{10} B_8^{-5} B_{10}^{30} B_{11}^{-59} B_{12}^{16} B_{13}^{23} B_{14}^{-2} B_{15}^{52} B_{17}^{15}, \\
Q_{1,5}(1) &= B_1^{14} B_2^{18} B_3^{-6} B_4^{-1} B_5^{10} B_6^{-39} B_7^{-3} B_8^{29} B_9^{-65} B_{10}^{33} B_{11}^{-14} B_{12}^{88} B_{13}^{134} B_{14}^{88} B_{15}^{30} B_{16}^{-25} B_{17}^{-25}, \\
Q_{2,2}(1) &= B_{17}, \\
Q_{2,3}(1) &= B_1^{85} B_2^{121} B_3^{13} B_4 B_5^{-17} B_6^{-22} B_7^{63} B_8^{-4} B_9^{-13} B_{10}^{120} B_{11}^{-36} B_{12}^{75} B_{13}^{-32} B_{14}^{-262} B_{15}^{-13} B_{16}^{-111} B_{17}^{31}, \\
Q_{2,4}(1) &= B_1^{107} B_2^{163} B_3^{15} B_4 B_5^{-11} B_6^{-26} B_7^{74} B_8^{-2} B_9^{-16} B_{10}^{136} B_{11}^{-45} B_{12}^{69} B_{13}^{-40} B_{14}^{-298} B_{15}^{-15} B_{16}^{-135} B_{17}^{37}, \\
Q_{2,5}(1) &= B_1^{49} B_2^{45} B_3^{-12} B_4^{-2} B_5^{-7} B_6^{21} B_7^{-86} B_8^{-12} B_9 B_{10}^{-128} B_{11}^{21} B_{12}^{16} B_{13}^{265} B_{14}^{17} B_{15}^{57} B_{16}^{-57} B_{17}^{-75}, \\
Q_{3,3}(1) &= B_1^{36} B_2^{21} B_3^{-18} B_4^{-3} B_5^{-2} B_6^{31} B_7^{-119} B_8^{-12} B_9^{68} B_{10}^{-189} B_{11}^{12} B_{12}^{-21} B_{13}^{27} B_{14}^{393} B_{15}^{24} B_{16}^{99} B_{17}^{-75}, \\
Q_{3,4}(1) &= B_1^{-102} B_2^{-125} B_3^{14} B_4 B_5^{12} B_6^{-7} B_7^{45} B_8^{12} B_9^{68} B_{10}^{57} B_{11}^{21} B_{12}^{-37} B_{13}^{53} B_{14}^{-107} B_{15}^{-9} B_{16}^{13} B_{17}^{35}, \\
Q_{3,5}(1) &= B_1^{-76} B_2^{-119} B_3^{-20} B_4^{-3} B_5^{16} B_6^{34} B_7^{-108} B_8^{16} B_9^{-193} B_{10}^{42} B_{11}^{-86} B_{12}^{43} B_{13}^{414} B_{14}^{22} B_{15}^{152} B_{16}^{-60} B_{17}^{-60}, \\
Q_{4,4}(1) &= B_1^{208} B_2^{244} B_3^{-10} B_4^{-2} B_5^{-30} B_6^{18} B_7^{-106} B_8^{-28} B_9^{-12} B_{10}^{-132} B_{11}^{-40} B_{12}^{88} B_{13}^{-6} B_{14}^{254} B_{15}^{21} B_{16}^{-12} B_{17}^{-80}, \\
Q_{4,5}(1) &= B_1^{-86} B_2^{-89} B_3^{18} B_4 B_5^{88} B_6^{-31} B_7^{129} B_8^{17} B_9^{-2} B_{10}^{197} B_{11} B_{12}^{-1} B_{13}^{-21} B_{14}^{-404} B_{15}^{-26} B_{16}^{-79} B_{17}^{85}, \\
Q_{5,5}(1) &= B_{16}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Proof of Theorem 2.1.** By Lemmas 3.4, 3.5 and 3.6 we already have that  $P_{i,j}(1), Q_{i,j}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq 5$ . Finally, we set  $P_{i,j}(1) = P_{j,i}(1)$ ,  $Q_{i,j}(1) = Q_{j,i}(1)$  for  $i > j$  and use the commutator identity

$$R_{i,k}(1) = P_{i,j}(1) Q_{j,k}(1) P_{i,j}(-1) Q_{j,k}(-1)$$

which is true for any triple of pairwise distinct indices  $1 \leq i, j, k \leq 5$ . We conclude that  $R_{i,j}(1) \in \langle x, y \rangle$  for  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq 5$  and hence  $\mathrm{ESp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z}) \subseteq \langle x, y \rangle$ . Since  $\mathrm{Sp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z}) = \mathrm{ESp}_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$  by [3], this finishes the proof of Theorem 2.1. □

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