

$\text{Ext}_A(Z_2[y]/Z_2, Z_2)$, A BEING THE mod 2 STEENROD ALGEBRA

Dedicated to Professor Atuo Komatu on his 60th birthday

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§ 1. Introduction.

Let A be the mod 2 Steenrod algebra, Z be a ring of integers, $Z_m = Z/mZ$, (m : a positive integer). Let \underline{M}^k be a polynomial algebra with one generator y of degree 2^k , (k : a non-negative integer) over Z_2 . Let x be the generator of \underline{M}^0 . Let M_i^k be a A -submodule of \underline{M}^k generated by y^q , $q \geq i$, and $M_{i,p}^k$ be a quotient module of M_i^k by an A -submodule generated by y^q , $p < q$. Particularly we denote $M^k = M_1^k$, $M_i = M_i^0$, $M_{i,p} = M_{i,p}^0$.

Let RP^i , CP^i , HP^i be i -dimensional real (complex, quaternion) projective space, respectively. Then reduced cohomology groups of them with coefficient group Z_2 are

$$H^*(RP^\infty) = M^0, H^*(CP^\infty) = M^1, H^*(HP^\infty) = M^2.$$

There is no space such that $H^*(X) = M^k$, for $k \geq 3$. (see [10] Chapter 1, Theorem 4.5; [3] Theorem 4.6.1.) But we can naturally make M^k (and M_i^k) a left A -module algebraically such that the axiom [10] by Steenrod hold on M^k . This definition has no contradiction since in the case $k=0$ there is a space $X (= RP^\infty)$ such that $H^*(X) = M^0$ and since we have Proposition 2.3 in this paper.

The determination of $\text{Ext}_A(M_i^k, Z_2)$, $k=0, 1, 2$, is used to the determination of 2-primary components of stable homotopy of S^0 to RP^∞/PP^{i-1} , CP^∞/CP^{i-1} , HP^∞/HP^{i-1} , respectively by [1] and [2].

After the author determined $\text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(M^0, Z_2)$, $t-s \leq 27$, the author fined that M. Mahowald [6] had determined $\text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(M_i^0, Z_2)$, $t-s \leq 29$, by his own method different to my method. Since his representation of generators is different to mine and the relationship between generators of $\text{Ext}_A(M^k, Z_2)$ and those of $\text{Ext}_A(Z_2, Z_2)$ is more clear at a glance by my method, we will offer the table of $\text{Ext}_A(M^0, Z_2)$ in the last of this paper, for reference. So the main purpose of this paper is the determination of generators and relations of $\text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(M^k, Z_2)$ in general (without restriction on $t-s$).

We conjecture by our table of $\text{Ext}_A(M^0, Z_2)$, $t-s \leq 27$, that $\text{Ext}_A(Z_2, Z_2)/Z_2[h_0]$ is isomorphic to a direct summand of $\text{Ext}_A(M^0, Z_2)$ by an appropriate correspondence. But we have not found the effective method to prove this.

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§ 2. $\text{Ext}_A^0(M_i^k, \mathbb{Z}_2)$.

If 2-adic expansion of a positive integer i is

$$(2.1) \quad i = 2^{i_1} + \dots + 2^{i_m}, \quad i_1 > \dots > i_m \geq 0,$$

then we define 2-*th* set $[i]$ and 2-*th* number $\#[i]$ of i in the following;

$$[i] = \{i_1, \dots, i_m\}, \quad \#[i] = m.$$

If 2-adic expansion of another positive integer j is

$$(2.2) \quad j = 2^{j_1} + \dots + 2^{j_n}, \quad j_1 > \dots > j_n \geq 0,$$

then $[i] \geq [j]$ means the condition that

$$m \geq n, \quad i_1 \geq j_{m-n+1}, \dots, i_m \geq j_n;$$

or

$$m \leq n, \quad i_{n-m+1} \geq j_1, \dots, i_m \geq j_n.$$

The following lemma on binomial coefficients is an alternative representation of Lemma 2.6 Chapter 1 in [10] and plays an essential part of proving many propositions and lemmas in this paper.

Lemma 2.1

$$\binom{[i]}{[j]} \equiv \begin{cases} 1, & [j] \subset [i] \\ 0, & [j] \not\subset [i] \end{cases} \pmod{2}$$

Remark. $[j] \subset [i]$ means that the set $[j]$ is contained in the set $[i]$.

Proposition 2.2

If $k \geq 0$, $a < 2b$, then as operations on M_i^k ,

$$\text{Sq}^{2^k a} \text{Sq}^{2^k b} = \sum_{t=0}^{\left[\frac{a}{2}\right]} \binom{b-t-1}{a-2t} \text{Sq}^{2^k(a+b-t)} \text{Sq}^{2^k t}$$

where $\left[\frac{a}{2}\right]$ stands for the maximal integer which does not exceed i only in this proposition.

Proof. By the following equality and congruence:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sq}^{2^k a} \text{Sq}^{2^k b} &= \sum \binom{2^k b - 2^k t - 1}{2^k a - 2^{k+1} t} \text{Sq}^{2^k(a+b-t)} \text{Sq}^{2^k t} \\ \binom{2^k b - 2^k t - 1}{2^k a - 2^{k+1} t} &= \binom{2^k(b-t-1) + 2^k - 1}{2^k(a-2t)} \equiv \binom{2^k(b-t-1)}{2^k(a-2t)} \equiv \binom{b-t-1}{a-2t} \pmod{2} \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.3

$$\text{Sq}^j y^i = \begin{cases} y^{j'+i}, & j = 2^k j' \text{ and } [j'] \subset [i] \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proof. By Cartan formula. This proposition is a generalization of Lemma 2.4 Chapter 1 in [10].

Theorem 2.4

$A \cdot y^j = Z_2\{y^i; i \geq j, [i] \geq [j], \# [i] \leq \# [j]\}$, where $Z_2\{a: C(a)\}$ means a Z_2 -module generated by a satisfying the condition $C(a)$.

Proof. We denote by C the right hand side of the equality to prove. By Proposition 2.2 and 2.3, it is sufficient to prove this Theorem in the case $k=0$. Since $A \cdot x^j \subset C$ easily follows from Proposition 2.3, we will only prove $A \cdot x^j \supset C$.

If e is a positive integer such that

$$(2.3) \quad e > j, [e] \geq [j], \# [e] \leq \# [j],$$

then we denote

$$B = Z_2\{x^i \in C; e > i\}.$$

We will show by induction on e that if $B \subset A \cdot x^j$, then

$$x^e = a \cdot x^i, \text{ for some } a \in A, x^i \in B, a \neq 1.$$

If 2-adic expansion of e is

$$e = 2^{e_1} + \dots + 2^{e_q}, e_1 > \dots > e_q \geq 0$$

and that of i, j is the same as in (2.1) and (2.2), then by $j < e$, there is an integer a satisfying conditions (2.4) and, either (2.5), (2.6), (2.7) or (2.8):

$$(2.4) \quad j_1 = e_1, \dots, j_{a-1} = e_{a-1}, j_a < e_a, 0 \leq a \leq q;$$

$$(2.5) \quad e_u = e_{u+1} + 1, a \leq u < b < q, e_b > e_{b+1} + 1, \text{ for some } b;$$

$$(2.6) \quad e_u = e_{u+1} + 1, a \leq u < q;$$

$$(2.7) \quad e_a = e_{a+1} + 1;$$

$$(2.8) \quad a = q.$$

In all cases, $[e] \geq [j]$ implies $e_b \geq j_{n-q+b}$. We have $e_b > j_{n-q+b}$.

(If $e_b = j_{n-q+b}$, then by $e_a > j_a$

$$\# \left[\sum_{u=a}^q 2^{e_u} \right] > \# \left[\sum_{u=a}^{n-q+b} 2^{j_u} \right].$$

Therefore $\# [e] > \# [j]$. This is contrary to (2.3).)

In the case (2.5), set $e' = 2^{e_b-1}$, then (2.4) implies $e - e' > j, e_b > j_{n-q+b}$ implies $[e - e'] \geq [j]$, and we have

$$\# [e - e'] = \# [e] \leq \# [j].$$

Therefore by the inductive hypothesis,

$$x^e = \text{Sq}^{e'} x^{e-e'}, x^{e-e'} \in B.$$

In the cases (2.6), (2.8), we have $e_q > 0$.

(If otherwise, then we have not both $e > j$, and $\#[e] \leq \#[j]$.)

The proof in the case is the same as in the case (2.5), after replacing b with q .

In the case (2.7) or (2.8), if $e_a > j_a + 1$, then the proof is similar to that in the case (2.5), after replacing b with a .

In the case (2.5), set $e' = 2^{e_b-1}$ then (2.4) implies $e - e' > j$, $e_b > j_{n-q+b}$ implies $[e - e'] \geq [j]$, and we have

$$\#[e - e'] = \#[e] \leq \#[j].$$

Therefore by the inductive hypothesis,

$$x^e = \text{Sq}^{e'} x^{e-e'}, x^{e-e'} \in B.$$

In the case (2.7), if

$$e_a = j_a + 1; j_u = j_{u+1} + 1, a \leq u < n \text{ or } a = e = q,$$

then $\#[e] \leq \#[j]$ implies $[j] - [e] \neq \emptyset$ and we take

$$c = \min([j] - [e]),$$

where signature “—” means a subtraction of two tets $[j]$ and $[e]$. Take

$$e' = 2^c + \sum_{u=a+1}^q 2^{e_u}.$$

Clearly $[e'] \subset [j]$, and $x^e = \text{Sq}^{e'} x^j, x^j \in B$.

In the case (2.7), let

$$e_a = j_a + 1; j_u = j_{u+1} + 1, a \leq u < b, j_b > j_{b+1} + 1, \text{ or } j_a > j_{a+1} + 1$$

(If $j_a > j_{a+1} + 1$, take $b = a$.)

If $e_{a+1} = j_b - 1$, then we take

$$c = \min(\{j_a, \dots, j_b, j_b - 1\} - [e]),$$

$$d = \min\{u; e_u \geq j_b - 1\},$$

$$e' = 2^c + \sum_{u=a+1}^d 2^{e_u},$$

$$j' = j + 2^{j_b-1} - 2^{j_{b+1}}.$$

$$j' > j, [j'] \geq [j], \#[j'] = \#[j]$$

implies by the inductive hypothesis

$$(2.9) \quad x^{j'} = g x^u \in C, \text{ for some } g \in A, x^u \in B.$$

Clearly $[e'] \subset [j']$, and

$$x^e = \text{Sq}^{e'} x^{j'}.$$

If $e_{a+1} < j_b - 1$, then we have (2.9). Clearly $j_b - 1 \in [j']$, and

$$x^e = \text{Sq}^{2^{j_b-1}} x^{j'}.$$

In the case (2.8), if

$$e_a = j_a + 1; j_u = j_{u+1} + 1, a \leq u < n \text{ or } a = q = n,$$

then $j_n \in [j]$ implies

$$x' = \text{Sq}^{j'} x', x' \in B.$$

(We write $j' = 2^{j_n}$. In this case $j = e - j'$.)

In the case (2.8), if, for some b ,

$$e_a = j_a + 1, j_u = j_{u+1} + 1, a \leq u < b < n, j_b > j_{b+1} + 1,$$

and we take $j' = 2^{j_b-1}$, then

$$j_b - 1 \in [e - j']$$

implies

$$x^e = \text{Sq}^{j'} x^{e-j'}, x^{e-j'} \in B$$

[Q. E. D. of Theorem 2.4]

For the next theorem we give the following notation :

If i is such an integer as (2.1), and u is such an integer that $i_u > u > i_{v+1}$, or $i_m > u \geq 0$, we define (in the last case, we set $v = m$)

$$(i, u) = 2^{i_1} + \dots + 2^{i_v} + 2^u - 1.$$

Theorem 2.5

(1) If $2^j - 1 < i \leq 2^{j+1} - 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_A^0(M_{i,p}^k, Z_2) &= Z_2\{\underline{h}_u, \max[p] \geq u > j + k; \\ &\quad h_{i,u}, j > u \geq 0, u \notin [i], p \geq (i, u)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ext}_A^0(M_i^k, Z_2) = Z_2\{\underline{h}_u, u > j + k; h_{i,u}, j > u \geq 0, u \notin [i]\}$$

(2) In the particular case $i = 2^j - 1$,

$$\text{Ext}_A^0(M_i^k, Z_2) = Z_2\{\underline{h}_u, u \geq j + k\}.$$

Remark. where $Z_2\{a; C(a)\}$ stand for a Z_2 -free module generated by a satisfying the condition $C(a)$; $\underline{h}_u, h_{i,u}$ stands for the cohomology classes of $[] y_{2^{u-k-1}}, [] y_{(i,u)}$ of degrees $2^u - 2^k$, (i, u) in the cobar construction $\overline{F}(A^*, M_{i,p}^{k*})$ of $M_{i,p}^{k*}$ over A^* , and y_u stands for the element in $M_{i,p}^{k*}$ dual to y^u in $M_{i,p}^k$.

Proof. By Proposition 2.3, it is sufficient to prove the proposition in the case $k=0$ and $p=\infty$.

First we show that

$$x^{2^u-1}, u > j; x^{(i,u)}, j > u \geq 0, u \notin [i],$$

generate M_i as a left A -module. If $2^j - 1 < e < 2^{j+1} - 1$, then

$$\#[e] = j = \#[2^j - 1], [e] \geq [2^j - 1],$$

so by Theorem 2.4,

$$x^e = a \cdot x^{2^j-1}, \text{ for some } a \in A.$$

If $i < e < 2^{j+1} - 1$, and e cannot be expressed in the form of (i, u) , we denote

$$u = \max([e] - [i]).$$

Clearly $u \notin [i]$, $e > i, u$, and $e \neq (i, u)$ implies $\{u-1, \dots, 1, 0\} - [e] \neq \emptyset$.
Therefore

$$[e] \geq [(i, u)], \# [e] \leq \# [(i, u)].$$

Then by Theorem 2.4,

$$x^e = a \cdot x^{(i, u)}, \text{ for some } a \in A.$$

Secondly we show that (2.10) is a minimal generating set of M_i as a left A -module. If $u > v > j$, then

$$\#[2^u - 1] = u > v = \#[2^v - 1], 2^u - 1 > 2^v - 1$$

implies by Theorem 2.4 that x^{2^u-1} and x^{2^v-1} are linearly independent. If

$$j > u > v \geq 0, u \notin [i], v \notin [i],$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \#[(i, u)] - \#[(i, v)] &= \#[2^u - 1] - \#[2^v - 1] = v - v > 0, \\ (i, u) - (i, v) &= (2^u - 1) - (2^v - 1) > 0, \end{aligned}$$

implies by Theorem 2.4 that $x^{(i, u)}$ and $x^{(i, v)}$ are linearly independent. If

$$u > j > v \geq 0, v \notin [i],$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} 2^u - 1 &> 2^{j+1} - 1 > (i, v) \\ \#[2^u - 1] &= u > j > \#[(i, v)] \end{aligned}$$

implies by Theorem 2.4 That x^{2^u-1} and $x^{(i, u)}$ are linearly independent. Thus the proof is completed.

For the next alternative Proof of Theorem 2.5 (2), we give the following definition.

Definition 2.6

We define A -maps

$$f_k: \bar{A} \longrightarrow M^k, \bar{A} = A/Z_2,$$

$$\underline{f}_k: \bar{A} \longrightarrow \underline{M}^k$$

for an admissible monomial $\text{Sq}^{i_1} \text{Sq}^{i_2} \dots \text{Sq}^{i_n}$ in the following;

$$f_k(\text{Sq}^{i_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{i_n}) = \begin{cases} y^{i-1}, & i_1 = 2^k i, i \geq 2, n=1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{f}_k(\text{Sq}^{i_1} \dots \text{Sq}^{i_n}) = \begin{cases} y^{i-1}, & i_1 = 2^k i, i \geq 1, n=1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We denote

$$f = f_0, \underline{f} = \underline{f}_0, L^k = \ker f_k, K = \ker \underline{f}.$$

Remark. Adem relations ensure that f_k and \underline{f}_k are A -maps in the following; If $0 < i < 2j$, then

(We show only in the case $k=0$ by Proposition 2.2 and 2.3.)

$$\begin{aligned} f(\text{Sq}^i \text{Sq}^t) &= \sum \binom{j-t-1}{i-2t} f(\text{Sq}^{i+j-t} \text{Sq}^t) \\ &= \binom{j-1}{i} f(\text{Sq}^{i+j}) = \binom{j-1}{i} x^{i+j-1}, \\ \text{Sq}^i f(\text{Sq}^j) &= \text{Sq}^i x^{j-1} = \binom{j-1}{i} x^{i+j-1}. \end{aligned}$$

[Alternative proof of (2) in Proposition 2.5]

Since f_k is an A -map, and by Lemma 4.2, Chapter 1 in [10], and Sq^i is indecomposable if and only if i is a power of 2, if $y^t \notin A \cdot M^k$, then $i = 2^u - 1$, for some $u \geq k$.

If $y^{2^u-1} = a \cdot y^j$, for some j and $a \in A$, then

$$f_k(\text{Sq}^{2^{u+k}}) = y^{2^u-1} = a \cdot y^j = a \cdot f_k(\text{Sq}^{2^k(j+1)}) = f_k(a \cdot \text{Sq}^{2^k(j+1)})$$

Therefore

$$\text{Sq}^{2^{u+k}} + a \cdot \text{Sq}^{2^k(j+1)} = b, \text{ for some } b \in \ker f_k$$

This is contrary to the fact that $\text{Sq}^{2^{u+k}}$ is indecomposable.

§ 3. Relations in $\text{Ext}_A(M_i^k, Z_2)$.

We determine some typical relations in $\text{Ext}_A(M_i^k, Z_2)$ by using the cobar construction $F(A^*, M_i^{k*})$ of M_i^{k*} over A^* in this section.

We denote by $\alpha\beta$ the image of $\alpha \otimes \beta$ by the composition map

$$\text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(M_i^k, Z_2) \otimes \text{Ext}_A^{u,v}(Z_2, Z_2) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_A^{s+u, t+v}(M_i^k, Z_2)$$

Let h_m be the generator in $\text{Ext}_A^{1,2^m}(Z_2, Z_2)$ corresponding to Sq^{2^m} .

Theorem 3.1

If $n \geq 0$, i is such as (2.1), then in $\text{Ext}_A(M_i^k, Z_2)$,

$$\underline{h}_{n+1} h_n = 0, \quad n+1 > i_1 + k,$$

$$\underline{h}_{n+2} h_n^2 = \underline{h}_{n+1} h_{n+1}^2, \quad n+1 > i_1 + k,$$

$$\underline{h}_{n+2} h_{n+2} h_n = 0, \quad n+2 > i_1 + k.$$

Remark. Similar relations holds in $\text{Ext}_A(Z_2, Z_2)$, but the following relations are not true;

$$\underline{h}_n h_{n+1} = 0, \quad \underline{h}_n h_{n+2}^2 = 0.$$

The remainder of this section is devoted to the proof of this theorem. The direct proof is remained in the last of this section.

Lemma 3.2

$$a < 2b, \quad c \geq 2d,$$

$$\text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b = \text{Sq}^{2^a} \text{Sq}^{2^b} + \dots (Adem \text{ relation})$$

implies $a, b \equiv 0 \pmod{2^n}$.

Proof. If $a = a_1 2^n + a_2$, $0 < a_2 < 2^n$, then

$$\binom{2^n - a_2 - 1}{a_2} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

Therefore

$$\binom{b - 2^n d - 1}{a - 2^{n+1} d} = \binom{2^n(c - a_1) + 2^n - a_2 - 1}{2^n(a_1 - 2d) + a_2} \equiv \binom{c - a_1}{a_1 - 2d} \binom{2^n - a_2 - 1}{a_2} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

Proposition 3.3

$$r \geq 2s,$$

$$\{(a, b); a < 2b, \text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b = \text{Sq}^r \text{Sq}^s + \cdots (\text{Adem relation})\}$$

$$\xrightarrow{g} \{(c, d); c < 2d, \text{Sq}^c \text{Sq}^d = \text{Sq}^{2^n r} \text{Sq}^{2^n s} + \cdots (\text{Adem relation})\}$$

This map is a bijection by defining

$$g(a, b) = (2^n a, 2^n b)$$

Proof. The latter equality in the proof of Proposition 2.2 implies that g is a map and the definition of g implies that g is a monomorphism. If the latter Adem relation in this proposition holds, then by Lemma 3.2

$$c = 2^n c', d = 2^n d', c' < 2d'.$$

Therefore by the latter equality in the proof of Proposition 2.2, g is an epimorphism.

Proposition 3.4

Let B be a module over a field R , $\{b_u, u \in U\}$ be a basis for B , b^u be the element in the dual R -module B^* dual to b_u .

(1) If B is an algebra with product φ , and

$$\varphi(b_u \otimes b_v) = \sum c_{u,v}^w b_w, c_{u,v}^w \in R$$

then B^* is a coalgebra with coproduct φ^* such that

$$\varphi^*(b^w) = \sum (-1)^e c_{u,v}^w b^u \otimes b^v, e = \deg b_u \times \deg b_v$$

(2) If B is a coalgebra with coproduct ψ and

$$\psi(b_w) = \sum c_w^{u,v} b_u \otimes b_v, c_w^{u,v} \in R,$$

then B^* is an algebra with product ψ^* such that

$$\psi^*(b^u \otimes b^v) = \sum (-1)^e c_w^{u,v} b^w.$$

Proof. standard.

Lemma 3.5

If $\text{Sq}^I \neq \text{Sq}^{2^u}$, then $(\text{Sq}^I)^*$ has not $\xi_1^{2^u}$ as a summand.

The proof is left to my paper to appear. This lemma is used only to prove Proposition 3.6 in the case of $\deg(I) = 2^q$, $q \geq 0$, and this is not

necessary to prove Theorem 3.1.

Proposition 3.6

$$(\text{Sq}^I)^* = \sum \xi^J$$

implies

$$(\text{Sq}^{2^n \cdot I})^* = \sum \xi^{2^n \cdot J},$$

where J runs over the same set in the two summations above and if $I = (i_1, \dots, i_m)$, then we denote

$$2^n \cdot I = (2^n i_1, \dots, 2^n i_m).$$

Proof. By induction on $\deg(I)$.

$$\varphi^*(\sum \xi^J) = \varphi^*((\text{Sq}^I)^*) = \sum (\text{Sq}^{I_1})^* \otimes (\text{Sq}^{I_2})^*,$$

where the last summation runs over all pairs I_1, I_2 such that

$$\text{Sq}^{I_1} \text{Sq}^{I_2} = \text{Sq}^I + \dots$$

By inductive hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^*(\sum \xi^{2^n \cdot J}) &= (\varphi^*(\sum \xi^J))^{2^n} \\ &= \sum ((\text{Sq}^{I_1})^*)^{2^n} \otimes ((\text{Sq}^{I_2})^*)^{2^n} \\ &= \sum_{I_1, I_2 \neq I} (\text{Sq}^{2^n \cdot I_1})^* \otimes (\text{Sq}^{2^n \cdot I_2})^* + ((\text{Sq}^I)^*)^{2^n} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes ((\text{Sq}^I)^*)^{2^n}, \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by Proposition 3.4 (1),

$$\varphi^*((\text{Sq}^{2^n \cdot I})^*) = \sum (\text{Sq}^{2^n \cdot I_1})^* \otimes (\text{Sq}^{2^n \cdot I_2})^*.$$

Using Lemma 3.5, we have the conclusion.

For the next proposition we denote $\text{Sq}^I = \text{Sq}(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n)$, for convenience' sake, if $I = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n)$ is complicated.

Proposition 3.8

- (1) $\text{Sq}(2^{n+j}, \dots, 2^{n+1}, 2^n)^* = \xi_{j+1}^{2^n}, j \geq 0$
- (2) $\text{Sq}(2^n(2^j + 2^{m+q}), \dots, 2^n(2^{j-q} + 2^m), 2^{n+j-q-1}, \dots, 2^{n+1}, 2^n)^*$
 $= \xi_{q+1}^{2^{n+m}} \xi_{j+1}^{2^n}, 0 \leq m \leq j, 0 \leq q \leq j.$
- (3) $\text{Sq}(2^n(2^{m+q} + 2^j), \dots, 2^n(2^{m+q-j+1} + 2), 2^n(2^{m-q-j} + 1), 2^{n+m+q-j-1},$
 $\dots, 2^{n+m+1}, 2^{n+m})^* = \xi_{q+1}^{2^{n+m}} \xi_{j+1}^{2^n}, 0 \leq m \leq j \leq q.$
- (4) $\text{Sq}(2^{n+j+m}, \dots, 2^{n+j+2}, 2^{j+n}, \dots, 2^{n+1}, 2^n)^*$
 $= \xi_{m-1}^{2^{n+j+1}} \xi_{j+m}^{2^n}, m \geq 2, j \geq 0.$
- (5) $\text{Sq}(2^{n+j}(2^m + 1), \dots, 2^{n+j-m+1}(2^m + 1), 2^{n+j-m}, \dots, 2^{n+1}, 2^n)^*$
 $= \xi_m^{2^{n+j+1}} \xi_{j+1}^{2^n} \div \xi_{j+m+1}^{2^n}, j \geq m-1 \geq 0.$

- (6) $\text{Sq}(2^{n+j}(2^m+1), \dots, 2^{n+1}(2^m+1), 2^n(2^m+1), 2^{n+m-1}, \dots, 2^{n+1}, 2^n)^* = \xi_m^{2^{n+j+1}} \xi_{j+1}^{2^n} + \xi_{j+m+1}^{2^n}, m > j \geq 0.$
- (7) $\text{Sq}(2^{n+j+m}+2^{n+j}, \dots, 2^{n+j+2}+2^{n+j-m+2}, 2^{n+j-m+1}, \dots, 2^{n+1}, 2^n)^* = \xi_{m-1}^{2^{n+j+2}} \xi_{j+1}^{2^n} + \xi_{m-1}^{2^{n+j+1}} \xi_{j+m}^{2^n}, 2 \leq m \leq j+2.$
- (8) $\text{Sq}(2^{n+j+m}+2^{n+j}, \dots, 2^{n+m}+2^n, 2^{n+m-1}, \dots, 2^{n+j+3}, 2^{n+j+2})^* = \xi_{m-1}^{2^{n+j+2}} \xi_{j+1}^{2^n} + \xi_{m-1}^{2^{n+j+1}} \xi_{j+m}^{2^n}, m \geq j+2.$

Proof. It is sufficient by Proposition 3.6 to prove this proposition in the case $n=0$.

Proof of (5); If

$$\psi(\text{Sq}^I) = \text{Sq}(2^{j+m}, \dots, 2^{j+2}, 2^{j+1}) \otimes \text{Sq}(2^j, \dots, 2, 1) + \dots,$$

then I is either

$$I_1 = (2^{j+m}, \dots, 2, 1)$$

or

$$I_2 = (2^{j+m}+2^j, \dots, 2^{j+1}+2^{j-m+1}, 2^{j-m}, \dots, 2, 1)$$

Applying Proposition 3.4 (2),

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_m^{2^{j+1}} \xi_{j+1} &= \text{Sq}(2^{j+m}, \dots, 2^{j+1})^* \text{Sq}(2^j, \dots, 2, 1)^* \\ &= (\text{Sq}^{I_1})^* + (\text{Sq}^{I_2})^* \\ &= \xi_{j+m+1} + (\text{Sq}^{I_2})^*. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the proof of (5) is completed.

(4) is a special case of (2).

Proof of (7): If

$$\psi(\text{Sq}^I) = \text{Sq}(2^{j+m}, \dots, 2^{j+2}) \otimes \text{Sq}(2^j, \dots, 2, 1) + \dots$$

then I is either

$$I_1 = (2^{j+m}, \dots, 2^{j+2}, 2^j, \dots, 2, 1)$$

or

$$I_2 = (2^{j+m}+2^j, \dots, 2^{j+2}+2^{j-m+2}, 2^{j-m+1}, \dots, 2, 1)$$

Applying Proposition 3.4 (2) and the formula (4),

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{m-1}^{2^{j+2}} \xi_{j+1} &= \text{Sq}(2^{j+m}, \dots, 2^{j+2})^* \text{Sq}(2^j, \dots, 2, 1)^* \\ &= (\text{Sq}^{I_1})^* + (\text{Sq}^{I_2})^* \\ &= \xi_{m-1}^{2^{j+1}} \xi_{j+m} + (\text{Sq}^{I_2})^* \end{aligned}$$

Thus the proof is completed.

The proofs of other formulas are similar.

Remark. The following formula is expected to be true:

$$(\text{Sq}^J)^* = \sum b(J) \xi^J, \quad \deg(J) = j,$$

where if $J = (j_1, \dots, j_n)$, then we denote

$$b(J) = \frac{(j_1 + \dots + j_n)!}{j_1! \dots j_n!}$$

In particular

$$(\text{Sq}^{2^n-1})^* = \sum \xi^I, \quad \deg(I) = 2^n - 1.$$

For the proof of Theorem 3.1, we use only the following special cases of the formulas above:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sq}(2^{n+2}, 2^n)^* &= \xi_1^{2^{n+1}} \xi_2^{2^n} \\ \text{Sq}(2^{n+1} + 2^n)^* &= \xi_1^{2^{n+1}+2^n} + \xi_2^{2^n}. \end{aligned}$$

We denote the A^* -comodule map of M_i^{k*} by

$$\Delta : M_i^{k*} \longrightarrow A^* \otimes M_i^{k*}$$

There are some properties of this map.

Proposition 3.9

$$\Delta x_j = \sum \xi^I \otimes x_n$$

implies

$$\Delta y_j = \sum \xi^{2^k \cdot I} \otimes y_n.$$

Proof. If $\text{Sq}^I x^u = x^j$, $j \geq u \geq i$, in M_i , then by Proposition 2.3, $\text{Sq}^{2^k \cdot I} y^u = y^j$ in M_i^k . If $\text{Sq}^J y^u = y^j$, $j \geq u \geq i$, then by Proposition 2.3, $J = 2^k \cdot I$ for some I , and $\text{Sq}^I x^u = x^j$. Therefore by Proposition 3.6, we have the proposition.

Lemma 3.10

$$\begin{aligned} &\{(I, q); \text{Sq}^I y^q = y^m\} \\ &\xrightarrow{g} \{(J, j); \text{Sq}^J y^j = y^{2^m m + 2^n - 1}\} \end{aligned}$$

This map g is a bijection by defining

$$g(I, q) = (2^n \cdot I, 2^n q + 2^n - 1)$$

Proof. By Proposition 2.3, g is a monomorphism. If

$$\text{Sq}^J y^j = y^{2^m m + 2^n - 1},$$

then by Theorem 2.4, $[j] \leq [2^m m + 2^n - 1]$, that is, $[j] \leq [2^n - 1]$.

Therefore $j = 2^n q + 2^n - 1$ for some q and Sq^J is such that

$$\text{Sq}^J y^{2^n q} = y^{2^m m}.$$

By Proposition 2.3, $J = 2^n \cdot I$, for some I . Thus g is an epimorphism and a bijection.

Proposition 3.11

$$\Delta y_m = \sum \xi^I \otimes y_J$$

implies

$$\Delta y_{2^n m + 2^n - 1} = \sum \xi^{2^n \cdot I} \otimes y_{2^n J + 2^n - 1}.$$

Proof. By Lemma 3.10.

Proposition 3.12

$$\Delta x_{2^n - 1} = 1 \otimes x_{2^n - 1}$$

$$\Delta x_{3 \cdot 2^n - 1} = 1 \otimes x_{3 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \xi_1^{2^n} \otimes x_{2^{n+1} - 1}$$

$$\Delta x_{5 \cdot 2^n - 1} = 1 \otimes x_{5 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \xi_1^{2^n} \otimes x_{2^{n+2} - 1} + \xi_1^{2^{n+1}} \otimes x_{3 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \xi_2^{2^n} \otimes x_{2^{n+1} - 1}$$

$$\Delta y_{7 \cdot 2^n - 1} = 1 \otimes y_{7 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \xi_1^{2^n} \otimes x_{3 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 1} + (\xi_1^{3 \cdot 2^n} + \xi_2^{2^n}) \otimes x_{2^{n+2} - 1}$$

The formulas replaced x_j with y_j and ξ^I with $\xi^{2^k \cdot I}$ above are true.

Proof. It is sufficient by Proposition 3.9 to prove the formulas in the case $k=0$. We will prove only the second, for example. The proof of the second is reduced by Proposition 3.11 to that of

$$\Delta x_2 = 1 \otimes x_2 + \xi_1 \otimes x_1,$$

which is clearly true.

[The proof of Theorem 3.1]

Let δ be the coboundary map of the cobar construction $\overline{F}(A^*, M_i^{k*})$. Then it is sufficient to calculate

$$\begin{aligned} & \delta \left(\left[\right] x_{3 \cdot 2^n - 1} \right) \\ & \delta \left(\left[\xi_1^{2^n} \right] x_{5 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \left[\xi_1^{3 \cdot 2^n} + \xi_2^{2^n} \right] x_{3 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \left[\xi_1^{2^n} \xi_2^{2^n} \right] x_{2^{n+1} - 1} \right) \\ & \delta \left(\left[\xi_1^{2^{n+2}} \right] x_{5 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \left[\xi_2^{2^{n+1}} \right] x_{3 \cdot 2^n - 1} + \left[\xi_3^{2^n} \right] x_{2^{n+1} - 1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

§ 4. Minimal sets of generators.

For the next proposition we denote by K , L^0 , \overline{K} , \overline{L}^0 a Z_2 -module generated by the following admissible monomials, respectively:

$$K: \text{Sq}^{a_1} \text{Sq}^{a_2} \cdots \text{Sq}^{a_n}, n \geq 2$$

$$L^0: \text{Sq}^1, \text{Sq}^{a_1} \text{Sq}^{a_2} \cdots \text{Sq}^{a_n}, n \geq 2$$

$$\overline{K}: \text{Sq}^{2^a} \text{Sq}^{2^b}, a > b \geq 0$$

$$\overline{L}^0: \text{Sq}^1, \text{Sq}^{2^a} \text{Sq}^{2^b}, a > b > 0.$$

Since $K = \ker \underline{f}$, $L^k = \ker f_k$, and \underline{f} and f_k are A -maps, K and L^k are left A -modules.

We finally prove in Proposition 5.3 that

$$K = \bar{K} + \bar{A} \cdot K \quad (\text{direct sum})$$

Proposition 4.1

$$K = \bar{K} + \bar{A} \cdot K \quad (\text{not direct sum})$$

Proof. It is sufficient to prove that

$$\text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b \in \bar{A} \cdot K, \text{ if } a \geq 2b, b > 0 \text{ and unless}$$

$$a = 2^{a'}, b = 2^{b'}, \text{ for any } a', b'.$$

Let 2-adic expansions of a and b are

$$a = 2^{a_1} + \dots + 2^{a_q}, \quad a_1 > \dots > a_q \geq 0,$$

$$b = 2^{b_1} + \dots + 2^{b_r}, \quad b_1 > \dots > b_r \geq 0.$$

The set of all cases not satisfying

$$a = 2^{a'}, b = 2^{b'}, \text{ for any } a' \text{ and } b'$$

are classified into following four cases (with no intersection to each other):

$$(4.1) \quad r \geq 2, \quad a_q \geq b_r + 2,$$

$$(4.2) \quad r \geq 2, \quad a_q = b_r + 1, \quad q \geq 2,$$

$$(4.3) \quad a_q \leq b_r, \quad q \geq 2,$$

$$(4.4) \quad r = 1, \quad a_q > b_r, \quad q \geq 2.$$

Proof of the case (4.1): Let

$$a = a' 2^{n+2}, \quad b = b' 2^{n+1} + 2^n, \quad a' > b' > 0.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sq}(2^{n+1}, a - 2^n, b' 2^{n+1}) &= (\text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^{2^n} + \text{Sq}^{a+2^n}) \text{Sq}^{b' 2^{n+1}} \\ &= \text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b + \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \text{Sq}(a, b - 2^t, 2^t) + \text{Sq}(a + 2^n, b' 2^{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

The last summand is reduced to the case (4.3).

Proof of the case (4.2): Let

$$a = a' 2^{n+2} + 2^{n+1}, \quad b = b' 2^{n+1} + 2^n, \quad a' \geq b' > 0.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sq}(2^{n+1}, a' 2^{n+2} + 2^{n+1}, b' 2^{n+1}) &= \text{Sq}(a, 2^n, b' 2^{n+1}) \\ &= \text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b + \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \text{Sq}(a, b - 2^t, 2^t). \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the case (4.3): Let

$$a = a' 2^{n+1} + 2^n, \quad b = b' 2^n, \quad a' \geq b' > 0.$$

Then we prove it by induction on n . If $n = 0$, then

$\text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b = \text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}^{a-1} \text{Sq}^b$. Therefore $\text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b \in \bar{A} \cdot K$. If $n > 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.5) \quad \text{Sq}(2^n, a'2^{n+1}, b) &= \text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b + \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \text{Sq}(a-2^t, 2^t, b) \\
&= \text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b + \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \text{Sq}(a-2^t, b+2^t) \\
&\quad + \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \sum_{s=0}^{t-1} \text{Sq}(a-2^t, b+2^t-2^s, 2^s)
\end{aligned}$$

$\text{Sq}(a-2^t, b+2^t)$ is not admissible only in the case $a'=b'$, $t=n-1$, but if $n \geq 2$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Sq}(a-2^{n-1}, b+2^{n-1}) &= \text{Sq}(a'2^{n+1}+2^{n-1}, a'2^n+2^{n-1}) \\
&= \sum_{t=0}^{n-2} \text{Sq}(2^{n+1}a'+2^n-2^t, 2^na'+2^t).
\end{aligned}$$

Transform the summands of $n-2 > t \geq 0$ in the form as (4.5), and we know that they are contained in $\bar{A} \cdot K$ by inductive hypothesis. the summand of $t=n-2$ is

$$\text{Sq}(2^{n-1}c+2^{n-2}, 2^{n-2}c), \quad c=4a'+1.$$

Apply the same method above to this summand, and we know that there remains only one summand

$$\text{Sq}(2^{n-3}d+2^{n-4}, 2^{n-4}d), \quad d=4c+1,$$

which is unknown to be contained in $\bar{A} \cdot K$, if $n \geq 4$.

But by applying this method repeatedly the problem is reduced to either $\text{Sq}(4e+1, 2e+1)$ or $\text{Sq}(8e+2, 4e+2)$ according that n is odd or even. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Sq}(4e+1, 2e+1) &= 0 \\
\text{Sq}(8e+2, 4e+2) &= \text{Sq}(8e+3, 4e+1) \\
&= \text{Sq}(1, 8e+2, 4e+1)
\end{aligned}$$

Then in the cases (4.1), (4.2), and (4.3), by inductive hypothesis, $\text{Sq}^a 2q^b \in \bar{A} \cdot K$.

Proof of the case (4.4): Let $b=2^n$. Using Proposition 3.2 we can decompose Sq^a in the form of

$$\text{Sq}^a = \sum_{u \geq n} c_u \text{Sq}^{2^u}, \quad c_u \in A.$$

Therefore $\text{Sq}^a \text{Sq}^b \in \bar{A} \cdot K$.

Thus the proposition has been proved.

In this proof, we use the following formulas.

Lemma 4.2

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Sq}(2^n, 2^{n+1}a+2^n) &= \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \text{Sq}(2^{n+1}a+2^{n+1}-2^t, 2^t) \\
\text{Sq}(2^n, 2^{n+1}a) &= \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \text{Sq}(2^{n+1}a+2^n-2^t, 2^t) + \text{Sq}(2^{n+1}a+2^n) \\
\text{Sq}(2^{n+1}, 2^{n+2}a+2^n) &= \text{Sq}(2^{n+2}a+2^{n+1}, 2^n) \\
\text{Sq}(a2^{n+2}+2^n, a2^{n+1}+2^n) &= \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \text{Sq}(2^{n+2}a+2^{n+1}-2^t, 2^{n+1}a+2^t).
\end{aligned}$$

We define an A -map

$$\bar{f}: \bar{A}^2 \longrightarrow N$$

$$N = \bar{A} \cdot M^0 = Z_2\{x^j; j > 0, j \neq 2^n - 1, \text{ for any } n\}$$

to be the restriction of $f: \bar{A} \longrightarrow M^0$. then

$$(4.6) \quad 0 \longrightarrow K \longrightarrow \bar{A}^2 \xrightarrow{\bar{f}} N \longrightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of left A -modules.

Lemma 4.3

$$N = \bar{A} \cdot N + Z_2\{x^{2^{n+1}+2^n-1}, n \geq 0\}. \quad (\text{direct sum})$$

Proof. If

$$a = 2^{m+1}a' + 2^m + 2^n - 1, m \geq n + 2, a' \geq 0, \\ \text{or } m = n + 1, a' > 0,$$

then

$$\text{Sq}^{2^{m-1}} x^{a-2^{m-1}} = x^a, x^{a-2^{m-1}} \in N.$$

If $m > n$, set

$$m' = 2^{m+1} + 2^m - 1, n' = 2^{n+1} + 2^n - 1,$$

then

$$m' > n', \# [m'] = m + 1 > n + 1 = \# [n'].$$

Therefore $x^{m'}$ and $x^{n'}$ are linearly independent by Theorem 2.4. Thus the proof is completed.

Proposition 4.4

$$L^0 = \bar{L}^0 + \bar{A} \cdot L^0 \quad (\text{not direct sum}).$$

Proof. By Proposition 4.1,

$$\begin{aligned} L^0 &= K + Z_2\{\text{Sq}^1\} \\ &= \bar{K} + \bar{A} \cdot K + Z_2\{\text{Sq}^1\} \\ &= \bar{L}^0 + \bar{A} \cdot L^0 + Z_2\{\text{Sq}^{2^j} \text{Sq}^1, j > 0\} + Z_2\{\text{Sq}^1\} \\ &= \bar{L}^0 + \bar{A} \cdot L^0 \quad (\text{not direct sum}). \end{aligned}$$

§ 5. Exact sequences for Ext.

The author imagines that somebody has ever proved the following proposition.

Proposition 5.1

Let R be a commutative ring with unit and B be an algebra over R .

(1) Then an short exact sequence of left B -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow L \xrightarrow{i} N \xrightarrow{f} M \longrightarrow 0$$

and a left B -module G induce an exact sequence of right $\text{Ext}_A^r(G, G)$ -modules, $r \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_B^s(M, G) &\xrightarrow{F_s} \text{Ext}_B^s(N, G) \xrightarrow{I_s} \text{Ext}_B^s(L, G) \\ &\xrightarrow{\partial_s} \text{Ext}_B^{s+1}(M, G) \longrightarrow \cdots \end{aligned}$$

(2) F_s , I_s and ∂_s are compatible with Massey products; in detail, if $m \in \text{Ext}_B^s(M, G)$, $l \in \text{Ext}_B^s(L, G)$, $n \in \text{Ext}_B^s(N, G)$, $a, b \in \text{Ext}_B^s(G, G)$, then

$$F\langle m, a, b \rangle \subset \langle F(m), a, b \rangle, \text{ if } ma = 0 = ab,$$

$$I\langle n, a, b \rangle \subset \langle I(n), a, b \rangle, \text{ if } na = 0 = ab,$$

$$\partial\langle l, a, b \rangle \subset -\langle \partial(l), a, b \rangle, \text{ if } la = 0 = ab.$$

These properties hold for iterated Massey products. For example,

$$F\langle \langle m, a, b \rangle, a', b' \rangle \subset \langle \langle F(m), a, b \rangle, a', b' \rangle,$$

if $ma = 0 = ab$, $\langle m, a, b \rangle a' \ni 0$, and $a'b' = 0$,

where F, I and ∂ stand for F_s, I_s and ∂_s for an appropriate s .

We apply this proposition to the following short exact sequence of left A -modules:

$$0 \longrightarrow L^k \longrightarrow \bar{A} \xrightarrow{J_k} M^k \longrightarrow 0$$

Then the following exact sequence is induced:

$$\begin{aligned} (5.1) \quad \cdots \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_A^{s-1, t}(L^k, Z_2) &\xrightarrow{\partial_s} \text{Ext}_A^{s, t-s^k}(M^k, Z_2) \\ &\xrightarrow{F_s} \text{Ext}_A^{s, t}(\bar{A}, Z_2) \xrightarrow{I_s} \text{Ext}_A^{s, t}(L^k, Z_2) \longrightarrow \cdots \\ &\quad \parallel \\ &\quad \text{Ext}_A^{s+1, t}(Z_2, Z_2) \end{aligned}$$

By comparing the dimensions of generators,

$$F_0(h_n) = h_n, \quad n > k.$$

Proposition 5.2

$$\text{Ext}_A^1(M^0, Z_2) = Z_2\{h_a h_b; a \neq b+1, a > 0, b \geq 0\}.$$

$$L^0 = \bar{A} \cdot L^0 + \bar{L}^0. \quad (\text{direct sum})$$

Remark. By Theorem 3.1, we have

$$h_a h_{a-1} = 0, \quad a > 0.$$

Proof.

$$\text{Sq}^{2^a} x^{2^b-1} = 0, \quad a \geq b.$$

$$\text{Sq}^{2^a} x^{2^b-1} = \text{Sq}^{2^{b-1}} \text{Sq}^{2^a} x^{2^{b-1}-1}, \quad a+2 \leq b,$$

implies

$$\underline{h}_b h_a \neq 0, \quad b > 0, \quad a \geq 0, \quad b \neq a + 1,$$

$$\underline{h}_b h_a \neq \underline{h}_a h_b, \quad a \geq b + 2, \quad b > 0.$$

Since

$$F_1(\underline{h}_b h_{b+1}) = h_b h_{b+1} = 0, \quad b > 0$$

$$F_1(\underline{h}_b h_a) = h_b h_a = h_a h_b = F_1(\underline{h}_a h_b), \quad a - 2 \geq b > 0$$

$$I_0(h_0) = h'_0,$$

(where h'_0 is the cohomology class of $[\]\xi_1$ in the cobar construction $\overline{F}(A^*, L^{0*})$), we have

$$Z_2\{\underline{h}_b h_{b+1}, b > 0; \underline{h}_b h_a + \underline{h}_a h_b, a - 2 \geq b > 0\}$$

$$\subset \ker F_1 = \text{im } \partial_0 = \text{coker } I_0.$$

$\text{coker } I_0$ is a Z_2 -module generated by $g_{a,b}$, which is the cohomology class of $[\](\text{Sq}^{2^a} \text{Sq}^{2^b})^*$ in the cobar construction $\overline{F}(A^*, L^{0*})$, for a, b such that $a > b > 0$ and $\text{Sq}^{2^a} \text{Sq}^{2^b} \notin \overline{A} \cdot L^0$. (Therefore $g_{a,b} \neq 0$, if exists.) By comparing the dimensions,

$$\text{coker } I_0 = Z_2\{g_{a,b}, a > b > 0\},$$

$$\partial_0(g_{a,b}) = \underline{h}_a h_b + \underline{h}_b h_a, \quad a - 2 \geq b > 0$$

$$\partial_0(g_{a+1,a}) = \underline{h}_a h_{a+1}, \quad a > 0,$$

and two sets of generators in the left hand side and right hand side correspond bijectively to each other. Thus the proof is completed.

Proposition 5.3

$$K = \overline{A} \cdot K + \overline{K} \quad (\text{direct sum}).$$

Proof. Let $S = Z_2\{\text{Sq}^1\}$. Then the short exact sequence of left A -modules:

$$0 \longrightarrow K \longrightarrow L^0 \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow 0$$

induces the long exact sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(L^0, Z_2) &\xrightarrow{I_s} \text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(K, Z_2) \\ &\xrightarrow{\partial_s} \text{Ext}_A^{s+1,t}(S, Z_2) \xrightarrow{F_{s+1}} \text{Ext}_A^{s+1,t}(L^0, Z_2) \longrightarrow \cdots \\ &\quad \parallel \\ &\quad \text{Ext}_A^{s+1,t-1}(Z_2, Z_2) \end{aligned}$$

By Proposition 5.2 and 4.4, $\text{Ext}_A^0(K, Z_2)$ is a Z_2 -free module generated by $g_{a,b}$, which is the cohomology class in the cobar construction $\overline{F}(A^*, K)$ for a, b , such that $a > b \geq 0$ and $\text{Sq}^{2^a} \text{Sq}^{2^b} \notin \overline{A} \cdot K$. In $\text{Ext}_A(L^0, Z_2)$, $h'_0 h_0 \neq 0$, $h'_0 h_u = 0$, $u > 0$.

By comparing the dimensions of generators, $g_{u,v}$, $u > v \geq 0$, are generators in $\text{Ext}_A(K, Z_2)$ and

$$F_0(1) = h'_0, \quad F_1(h_0) = h'_0 h_0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_0(g_{u,v}) &= g_{u,v}, \quad u > v > 0, \\ \partial_0(g_{u,0}) &= h_u, \quad u > 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Corollary 5.4

$$\bar{A}^2 = \bar{A}^3 + Z_2 \{ \text{Sq}^{2^a} \text{Sq}^{2^b}; a > b \geq 0, a+1 = b > 0 \}. \quad (\text{direct sum})$$

Proof. Apply Proposition 5.3 to the exact sequence (4.6) and we have $I_0(g_{a,b}) = g_{a,b}$, $a > b \geq 0$, and $g_{a,b}$, $a > b \geq 0$, are generators of $\text{Ekt}_2^0(\bar{A}^2, Z_2)$.

Let N^k be a Z_2 -module generated by

$$x^n; n \geq 0 \text{ and } n \equiv -1 \pmod{2^k} \text{ or } n = 2^k - 1$$

Lemma 5.5

$$N^k = \bar{A} \cdot N^k + Z_2 \{ x^{2^j-1}, 0 \leq j \leq k: x^{2^j-2^{k-1}-1}, j \geq k+2 \}. \quad (\text{direct sum})$$

Proof. By Theorem 2.4. We denote by \underline{h}_j and $\underline{b}_{k,j}'$ the cohomology classes of $[\]_{x_{2^j-1}}$ and $[\]_{x_{2^j-2^{k-1}-1}}$ in $\bar{F}(A^*, N^{k*})$, respectively. $\deg \underline{h}_j = 2^j - 1$, $\deg \underline{b}_{k,j}' = 2^j - 2^{k-1} - 1$.

Proposition 5.6

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_A^0(L^k, Z_2) &= Z_2 \{ h_u, u \leq k; g_{u,v}, u > v > k; b_{k,j}', j \geq k+2 \}. \\ \deg h_u &= 2^u, \deg b_{k,j}' = 2^j - 2^{k-1}, \deg g_{u,v} = 2^u + 2^v. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. There is a morphism of short exact sequences of left A -modules:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & L^0 & \longrightarrow & \bar{A} & \longrightarrow & M^0 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & L^k & \longrightarrow & N^k \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

This induces a morphism of long exact sequences for Ext :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & \text{Ext}_A^{s+1,t}(Z_2, Z_2) & & \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \\ \cdots \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_A^{s,t-1}(M^0, Z_2) & \xrightarrow{F_s} & \text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(\bar{A}, Z_2) & \xrightarrow{I_s} & \text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(L^0, Z_2) & \\ & \downarrow p_s & & \downarrow q_s & & \downarrow r_s & \\ \cdots \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_A^{s,t-1}(N^k, Z_2) & \xrightarrow{F'_s} & \text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(L^k, Z_2) & \xrightarrow{I'_s} & \text{Ext}_A^{s,t}(K, Z_2) & \\ & \downarrow \partial_s & & \downarrow \partial'_s & & & \\ & \text{Ext}_A^{s+1,t-1}(M^0, Z_2) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & & & \\ & \downarrow p_{s+1} & & & & & \\ & \text{Ext}_A^{s+1,t-1}(N^k, Z_2) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & & & \end{array}$$

We denote $F'_0(\underline{h}_j) = h'_j$, $k \geq j \geq 0$, $F'_0(\underline{b}_{k,j}') = b'_{k,j}$. Then $h'_j = F'_0(\underline{h}_j) = q_0 F_0(\underline{h}_j) = q_0(h_j)$.

$$\partial_0(g_{u,v}) = \begin{cases} 0, & u > v > k \\ \underline{h}_v h_u, & u - 2 \geq v, \quad u > k \geq v \\ \underline{h}_u h_v + \underline{h}_v h_u, & k \geq u \geq v + 2 \\ \underline{h}_v h_{v+1}, & k \geq v = u - 1 \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Therefore $\ker \partial_0 = Z_2\{g_{u,v}, u > v > k\}$. Thus the proof is completed.

Theorem 5.7

If $k > 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_A^1(M^k, Z_2) &= Z_2\{\underline{h}_u h_v, k < u \neq v + 1; b_{k,j}, j \geq k + 2. \\ \deg(\underline{h}_u h_v) &= 2^u - 2^k + 2^v, \quad \deg b_{k,j} = 2^j - 3 \cdot 2^{k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. By comparing the dimensions in the exact sequence (5.1),

$$\begin{aligned} F_0(\underline{h}_u) &= h_u, \quad u > k; \quad I_0(h_u) = h'_u, \quad 0 \leq u \leq k, \\ \partial_0(g_{u+1,u}) &= \underline{h}_u h_{u+1}, \quad u > k; \quad \hat{c}_0(b'_{k,j}) = b_{k,j}, \quad j \geq k + 2. \\ \partial_0(g_{u,v}) &= \underline{h}_u h_v + \underline{h}_v h_u, \quad u - 2 \geq v > k, \end{aligned}$$

and $F_1(\underline{h}_u h_v) = h_u h_v = F_1(\underline{h}_v h_u)$ implies $\underline{h}_u h_v \neq \underline{h}_v h_u$.

(also we can show this directly by the method similar to the proof of Proposition 5.2) Thus the proof is completed.

Proposition 5.8

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In } \text{Ext}_A(L^k, Z_2), \quad & g_{a,b} h_a \neq 0, \quad g_{a,b} h_{a-1} = 0, \quad g_{a,b} h_{b-1} = 0, \\ & g_{a,b} h_{a+1} = g_{a+1,a} h_b, \quad g_{a,b} h_{b+1} = g_{b+1,b} h_a, \quad a > b > k: \\ & g_{a,b} h_c + g_{a,c} h_b + g_{b,c} h_a = 0, \quad a - 4 \geq b - 2 \geq c > k. \\ \text{In } \text{Ext}_A(L^0, Z_2), \quad & a \geq 0, \\ & g_{a+3,a+2} h_a^2 = g_{a+3,a+1} h_{a+1}^2 = g_{a+2,a+1} h_{a+1}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5.9

(1) If α and β are non-zero elements of $\text{Ext}_A(Z_2, Z_2)$, and $\alpha\beta \neq 0$, then $\underline{\alpha}\beta \neq 0$. In particular $\underline{h}_u \beta \neq 0$, $u > k$, in $\text{Ext}_A(M^k, Z_2)$, if $h_u \beta \neq 0$.

(2) If α, β_u and γ_u are in $\text{Ext}_A(Z_2, Z_2)$, then we denote an iterated Massey product by

$$M(\alpha) = \langle \langle \dots \langle \langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma_1 \rangle, \beta_2, \gamma_2 \rangle, \dots \rangle, \beta, \gamma_n \rangle.$$

If $M(\alpha)$ and $M(\underline{\alpha})$ are defined and $M(\alpha) \neq 0$, then $M(\underline{\alpha}) \neq 0$ in $\text{Ext}_A(M^k, Z_2)$.

Proof. By Proposition 5.1.

Corollary 5.10

(1) $\underline{h}_u h_v h_w$, $u > k$, $u \neq v \pm 1$, $v \neq w \pm 1$, $u \neq w \pm 1$;

$$\underline{h}_u h_0^{2^{u-1}-1}, \quad u > k$$

are non-zero in $\text{Ext}_A(M^k, Z_2)$.

(2) \underline{c}_0 , $\underline{h}_1 \underline{c}_0 = \underline{c}_0 h_1$, \underline{d}_0 , $P^i \underline{h}_2$, $P^i \underline{h}_1$, $P^i \underline{c}_0$, $P^i \underline{d}_0$

are non-zero in $\text{Ext}_A(M^0, Z_2)$.

Remark. In theorem 5.8 and Corollary 5.9, if there is an element in $\text{Ext}_A(M^k, Z_2)$ which is mapped to α by F_n , for an appropriate n , then we denote this element by $\underline{\alpha}$. The representation of generators of $\text{Ext}_A(Z_2, Z_2)$ is due to [9] and [7].

§ 6. Tables.

We offer the tables of $\text{Ext}_A^t(L^0, Z_2)$, $t - s \leq 29$, and $\text{Ext}_A^s(M^0, Z_2)$, $t - s \leq 27$, in this section.

We first determine the former by determining the partial minimal resolution of L^0 over A . Secondly we determine the latter by the former and the table of $\text{Ext}_A(Z_2, Z_2)$ in [9], [7] and the exact sequence (5.1) in the case $k=0$. We only remark the fact that I_s is trivial for all generators in $\text{Ext}_A^s(Z_2, Z_2)$, except for h_0^{s+1} , when $F_s(h_0^{s+1}) = h_0' h_0^s$, $s \geq 0$, in that range of s , t .

Since $\alpha_2 = \langle g_{2,1}, h_1, h_3^2 \rangle$, $\alpha_4 = \langle g_{4,1}, h_0, h_2^2 \rangle$,

$$F(\alpha_2) = \langle F(g_{2,1}), h_1, h_3^2 \rangle = \langle \underline{h}_1 h_2, h_1, h_3^2 \rangle = \underline{h}_1 \langle h_2, h_1, h_3^2 \rangle = \underline{h}_1 c_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(\alpha_4) &= \langle F(g_{4,1}), h_0, h_2^2 \rangle = \langle \underline{h}_4 h_1 + \underline{h}_1 h_4, h_0, h_2^2 \rangle \\ &= \underline{h}_4 \langle h_1, h_0, h_2^2 \rangle + \langle \underline{h}_1, h_0, h_2^2 \rangle h_4 = \underline{h}_4 c_0 + \underline{c}_1 h_4. \end{aligned}$$

By exactness $\underline{h}_4 c_0 \neq \underline{c}_0 h_4$. By constructing a minimal resolution $\underline{h}_1 c_0 = \underline{c}_0 h_1 (\neq 0)$ and by Theorem 5.8 $\underline{h}_1 c_0 h_4 \neq 0$. By $F(\alpha_4 h_1) = \underline{h}_4 c_0 h_1 + \underline{c}_0 h_4 h_1$, $\underline{h}_4 c_0 h_1 \neq \underline{c}_0 h_4 h_1 = \underline{h}_1 c_0 h_4$.

As above $\underline{h}_1 c_1 \neq 0$, but by constructing a minimal resolution $\underline{c}_1 h_1 = 0$.

In Table 6.1 and 6.2, "bar" means "multiplied by h_0 , h_1 or h_2 ".

We imagine that $\text{bideg}(\tau h_1^2 d_0) = (6, 23)$, $\text{bideg}({}_0 i) = (7, 23)$, $d_2(\tau h_1^2 d_0) = {}_0 P_1 d_0$, $\pi_*(P_k) = Z_4 \div Z_{16}$ in Table 8.3, and $({}_6 h_3 h_3^2) h_0^2 \neq 0$ in Table 8.2 in [6] are misprints and we think that they must be corrected in the following: $\text{bideg}(\tau h_1^2 d_0) = (7, 23)$, $\text{bideg}({}_0 i) = (6, 23)$, $d_2({}_0 i) = {}_0 P_1 d_0$, $\pi_*(P_k) = Z_2^2 + Z_{16}$, and $({}_6 h_0 h_3^2) h_0^2 = 0$, $({}_2 f_0) h_1 \neq 0$.

In Table 8.3, $({}_2 P_i h_1 c_0) h_1 = ({}_4 P_i c_0) h_0^2$, $({}_2 P_i h_1 c_0) h_2 = ({}_0 P_i d_0) h_0$, $({}_6 h_0^2 h_2) h_2 = ({}_4 c_0) h_0$, in Table 8.4, $({}_6 P_1 h_1^2) h_1 = {}_1 P_1 c_0$, $({}_6 P_i h_1^2) h_2 = {}_3 P_i c_0$, $({}_1 P_i c_0) h_1^2 = ({}_3 P_i c_0) h_0^2$.

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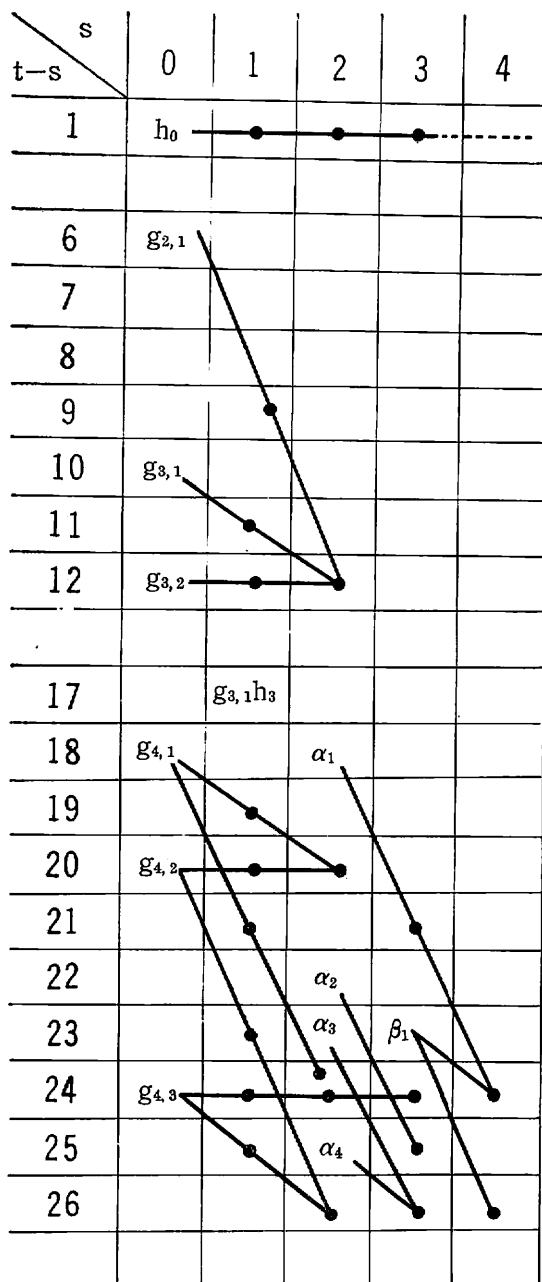


Table 6.1

 $\text{Ext}_A(L^0, Z_2)$

$$\alpha_2 = \langle g_{2,1}, h_1, h_3^2 \rangle$$

$$\alpha_4 = \langle g_{4,1}, h_0, h_2^2 \rangle$$

$$\alpha_2 h_2 = \alpha_1 h_3$$

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