

## ON HARPER'S TORSION MOLECULE

Dedicated to Professor Teiichi Kobayashi on his 60th birthday

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**Introduction.** Harper's torsion molecule [1] for an odd prime  $p$  is a finite simply connected Hopf space  $K(p)$  whose cohomology in  $F_p$ -coefficients is given by  $H^*(K(p); F_p) = E(x_3, x_{2p+1}) \otimes F_p[x_{2p+2}]/(x_{2p+2}^p)$  and  $\phi^1(x_3) = x_{2p+1}$ ,  $\beta(x_{2p+1}) = x_{2p+2}$ . Here we study homotopy groups and  $BP$ -Hurewicz homomorphism of  $K(p)$ .

The organization of this note is as follows. In the first section, we compute the  $Z_{(p)}$ -homology and the  $BP$ -homology of the Harper's torsion molecule  $K(p)$  [1] and determine the Thom map  $T_{Z_{(p)}}: BP_*(K(p)) \rightarrow H_*(K(p); Z_{(p)})$ , by using the Adams spectral sequence.

In section 2, we observe that the space  $F$  obtained by killing the 3-dimensional homotopy group of  $K(p)$  is homotopy equivalent to the Toda's spectrum  $V(1/2)$  in the stable range. By making use of this fact and applying the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence, we examine the unstable homotopy groups of  $K(p)$  for dimension less than  $4p^2 - 1$ . We also compute the stable homotopy group of the  $(2p^2 + 2p - 2)$ -skeleton of  $K(p)$  in dimension  $2p^2 + 2p - 2$ , where the attaching map of the  $(2p^2 + 2p - 1)$ -cell of  $K(p)$  lives.

In section 3, we determine the  $BP$ -Hurewicz homomorphism  $h^{BP}: \pi_*(K(p)) \rightarrow BP_*(K(p))$  for dimension less than  $4p^2 - 1$  and show that it is a split monomorphism in this range.

In the last section, by showing that the image of the homology suspension coincides with the set of the diagonal primitive elements of  $BP_*(K(p))$ , we completely determine the  $BP$ -Hurewicz homomorphism, that is, it is a trivial map in dimension other than 3 and  $2p^2 + 2p - 1$ .

This work is motivated by G. Moreno's paper [4], where the  $BP$ -Hurewicz homomorphism of the Harper's torsion molecule is first studied. Our result improves the main result of [4].

**1. Computations in the Adams spectral sequences.** First we fix the notations. Let  $p$  be an odd prime number. We denote by  $\mathcal{A}_p$  be the mod  $p$  Steenrod algebra generated by the Bockstein operator  $\beta$  and

the reduced power operators  $\wp^i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ .  $\mathcal{A}_{p*}$  denotes the dual of the Steenrod algebra which is isomorphic to  $E(s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots) \otimes F_p[t_1, t_2, \dots]$ . Here,  $s_i$  and  $t_i$  are the conjugates by the canonical anti-automorphism of  $\tau_i$  and  $\xi_i$  in Milnor's paper [2]. In particular,  $-s_i$  and  $-t_1$  are the duals of  $Q_i$  and  $\wp^1$  with respect to the Milnor basis. Then, the coproduct  $\phi_*$  of  $\mathcal{A}_{p*}$  is given by

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi_*(t_i) &= \sum_{j=0}^i t_j \otimes t_{i-j}^{p^j}, \\ \phi_*(s_i) &= \sum_{j=0}^i s_j \otimes t_{i-j}^{p^j} + 1 \otimes s_i. \end{aligned}$$

For an abelian group  $G$ , we denote by  $K(G)$  the Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum for the group  $G$ . We only deal with the cases  $G = F_p$  and  $Z_{(p)}$ . In these cases,  $K(G)$  is a commutative ring spectrum. There is a cofiber sequence

$$(1.2) \quad K(Z_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{p} K(Z_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{\rho} K(F_p) \xrightarrow{\delta} \Sigma K(Z_{(p)}),$$

where  $p$  denotes the  $p$  times of the identity map,  $\rho$  the map induced by the mod  $p$  reduction  $Z_{(p)} \rightarrow F_p$ . Then  $\rho$  is a map of ring spectra and the composition  $K(F_p) \xrightarrow{\delta} \Sigma K(Z_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{\rho} \Sigma K(F_p)$  is the Bockstein operator. It is easy to show (also well-known) that  $\rho^*: \mathcal{A}_p = H^*(K(F_p); F_p) \rightarrow H^*(K(Z_{(p)}); F_p)$  is an epimorphism of left  $\mathcal{A}_p$ -modules with kernel  $\mathcal{A}_p\beta$ . By dualizing this, we have the following.

**Proposition 1.3.**  $\rho_*: H_*(K(Z_{(p)}); F_p) \rightarrow H_*(K(F_p); F_p) = \mathcal{A}_{p*}$  is a monomorphism of left  $\mathcal{A}_{p*}$ -comodule algebras onto a subalgebra  $E(s_1, s_2, \dots) \otimes F_p[t_1, t_2, \dots]$ .

Thus we identify  $H_*(K(Z_{(p)}); F_p)$  with the image of  $\rho_*$ .

Let  $E$  and  $X$  be connective spectra. We consider the Adams spectral sequence

$$(1.4) \quad E_2^{s,t} = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}_{p*}}^{s,t}(F_p, H_*(E \wedge X; F_p)) \Rightarrow E_{t-s}(X).$$

If  $E$  is a ring spectrum and there is a map of ring spectra  $f: E \rightarrow K(F_p)$  such that  $f_*: H_*(E; F_p) \rightarrow H_*(K(F_p); F_p) = \mathcal{A}_{p*}$  is injective, by applying the change-of-rings isomorphism ([6] A1.3.13),  $E_2$ -term of the above spectral sequence is identified with  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}_{p*}/I_f}^{s,t}(F_p, H_*(X; F_p))$ , where  $I_f$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{A}_{p*}$  generated by  $f_*(\sum_{i>0} H_i(E; F_p))$ .

In the case  $E = K(Z_{(p)})$ , by (1.3) we have a spectral sequence

$$(1.5) \quad E_2^{s,t} = \text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}^{s,t}(F_p, H_*(X; F_p)) \Rightarrow H_{t-s}(X; Z_{(p)}).$$

In the case  $E = BP$ , since the Thom reduction map  $T_{F_p}: BP \rightarrow K(F_p)$  induces a monomorphism  $T_{F_p*}: H_*(BP; F_p) \rightarrow H_*(K(F_p); F_p) = \mathcal{A}_p^*$  onto  $F_p[t_1, t_2, \dots]$ , we have

$$(1.6) \quad E_2^{s,t} = \text{Ext}_{E(s_0, s_1, \dots)}^{s,t}(F_p, H_*(X; F_p)) \Rightarrow BP_{t-s}(X).$$

**Remark 1.7.** We note that the Thom map  $T_{Z_{(p)}}: BP \rightarrow K(Z_{(p)})$  induces a morphism of spectral sequences from (1.6) to (1.5). Since  $\rho T_{Z_{(p)}} = T_{F_p}$ , the map

$$\begin{aligned} T_{Z_{(p)}}^*: \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}_p^*}(F_p, H_*(BP \wedge X; F_p)) \\ \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}_p^*}(F_p, H_*(K(Z_{(p)}) \wedge X; F_p)) \end{aligned}$$

induced by  $T_{Z_{(p)}}$  is identified with the map

$$\text{Ext}_{E(s_0, s_1, \dots)}(F_p, H_*(X; F_p)) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(F_p, H_*(X; F_p))$$

induced by the projection  $E(s_0, s_1, \dots) \rightarrow E(s_0, s_1, \dots)/(s_1, \dots) = E(s_0)$  through the change-of-rings isomorphisms.

Now we compute the  $E_2$ -terms of the spectral sequences (1.5) and (1.6) for  $X = K(p)$  the Harper's torsion molecule. The structure of  $H^*(K(p); F_p)$  is given by

$$(1.8) \quad \begin{aligned} H^*(K(p); F_p) &= E(x_3, x_{2p+1}) \otimes F_p[x_{2p+2}]/(x_{2p+2}^p), \\ \varphi^1(x_3) &= x_{2p+1}, \quad \beta(x_{2p+1}) = x_{2p+2}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $b_i$  ( $i = 3, 2p+1, 2p+2$ ) be the dual of  $x_i$ , then the structure of  $H_*(K(p); F_p)$  as a left  $\mathcal{A}_p^*$ -comodule algebra is given as follows.

$$(1.9) \quad \begin{aligned} H_*(K(p); F_p) &= E(b_3, b_{2p+1}) \otimes F_p[b_{2p+2}]/(b_{2p+2}^p), \\ \varphi(b_3) &= 1 \otimes b_3, \\ \varphi(b_{2p+1}) &= 1 \otimes b_{2p+1} - t_1 \otimes b_3, \\ \varphi(b_{2p+2}) &= 1 \otimes b_{2p+2} + s_0 \otimes b_{2p+1} - s_1 \otimes b_3 + s_0 t_1 \otimes b_3 \end{aligned}$$

$E(s_0)$  is a quotient Hopf algebra of  $\mathcal{A}_{p^*}$  by an ideal generated by  $s_1, s_2, \dots, t_1, t_2, \dots$  and  $H_*(K(p); \mathbf{F}_p)$  is regarded as a left  $E(s_0)$ -comodule via projection  $\mathcal{A}_{p^*} \rightarrow E(s_0)$ . It follows from (1.9) that the  $E(s_0)$ -comodule structure of  $H_*(K(p); \mathbf{F}_p)$  is given by

$$(1.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi_0(b_3) &= 1 \otimes b_3, \\ \varphi_0(b_{2p+1}) &= 1 \otimes b_{2p+1}, \\ \varphi_0(b_{2p+2}) &= 1 \otimes b_{2p+2} + s_0 \otimes b_{2p+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $H_*(K(p); \mathbf{F}_p)$  is a direct sum of subcomodules  $M = E(b_3, b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{p-1})$  and  $M_{\varepsilon, i} = \mathbf{F}_p\{b_3^\varepsilon b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{i-1}, b_3^\varepsilon b_{2p+2}^i\}$  for  $\varepsilon = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ . Here we denote by  $R\{a, b, c, \dots\}$  the free  $R$ -module generated by elements  $a, b, c, \dots$ .

Since  $M_{\varepsilon, i}$  is isomorphic to  $E(s_0)$  with shifting degree, we have  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}^{0,*}(\mathbf{F}_p, M_{\varepsilon, i}) = \mathbf{F}_p\{b_3^\varepsilon b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{i-1}\}$ ,  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}^{s,*}(\mathbf{F}_p, M_{\varepsilon, i}) = 0$  if  $s \neq 0$ . On the other hand, since  $M$  consists of primitive elements and  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(\mathbf{F}_p, \mathbf{F}_p) = \mathbf{F}_p[\bar{v}_0]$ , we have  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(\mathbf{F}_p, M) = \text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(\mathbf{F}_p, \mathbf{F}_p) \otimes M = \mathbf{F}_p[\bar{v}_0] \otimes M$ , where  $\bar{v}_0$  is an element of  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}^{1,1}(\mathbf{F}_p, \mathbf{F}_p)$  represented by  $[s_0]$  in the cobar complex for  $E(s_0)$ . Note that  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(\mathbf{F}_p, H_*(K(p); \mathbf{F}_p))$  has a structure of  $\mathbf{F}_p[\bar{v}_0]$ -module. (1.10) implies a relation  $\bar{v}_0 b_3^\varepsilon b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{i-1} = 0$ .

Let  $z_3, z_{2i(p+1)-1}$  and  $z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1}$  be the elements of  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}^{0,*}(\mathbf{F}_p, H_*(K(p); \mathbf{F}_p))$  represented by cocycles  $[b_3], [b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{i-1}]$  and  $[b_3 b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{i-1}]$  of the cobar complex, respectively. The above argument shows

**Proposition 1.11.** *As an  $\mathbf{F}_p[\bar{v}_0]$ -module,  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(\mathbf{F}_p, H_*(K(p); \mathbf{F}_p))$  is isomorphic to*

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbf{F}_p[\bar{v}_0]/(\bar{v}_0)\{z_{2i(p+1)-1}, z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq p-1\} \\ &\oplus \mathbf{F}_p[\bar{v}_0]\{1, z_3, z_{2p^2+2p-1}, z_3 z_{2p^2+2p-1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\bar{v}_0$  is a permanent cycle representing  $p$ , the preceding result immediately implies the following.

**Proposition 1.12.** *The Adams spectral sequence (1.5) collapses and  $H_*(K(p); \mathbf{Z}_{(p)})$  is isomorphic to*

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbf{F}_p\{z_{2i(p+1)-1}, z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq p-1\} \\ &\oplus \mathbf{Z}_{(p)}\{1, z_3, z_{2p^2+2p-1}, z_3 z_{2p^2+2p-1}\} \end{aligned}$$

as a  $Z_{(p)}$ -module, where  $\deg z_i = i$ .

We put  $E = E(s_0, s_1, \dots)$  for short. Since  $E$  is the quotient Hopf algebra of  $A_p^*$  by an ideal generated by  $t_1, t_2, \dots$ , it follows from (1.1) that each  $s_i$  is primitive in  $E$ . By (1.9),  $E$ -comodule structure of  $H_*(K(p); F_p)$  is given by

$$(1.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi_1(b_3) &= 1 \otimes b_3, \\ \varphi_1(b_{2p+1}) &= 1 \otimes b_{2p+1}, \\ \varphi_1(b_{2p+2}) &= 1 \otimes b_{2p+2} + s_0 \otimes b_{2p+1} - s_1 \otimes b_3. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $H_*(K(p); F_p)$  can be regarded as an  $E(s_0, s_1)$ -comodule. Put  $E' = E(s_2, s_3, \dots)$ , then  $E = E(s_0, s_1) \otimes E'$  as a Hopf algebra and the external product

$$(1.14) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_{E(s_0, s_1)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p)) \otimes \text{Ext}_{E'}(F_p, F_p) \\ \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_E(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p)) \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism by the Künneth theorem.

Let  $\bar{v}_i$  be the element of  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_i)}^{1, 2p^i-1}(F_p, F_p)$  represented by a cocycle  $[s_i]$ . Then,

$$(1.15) \quad \text{Ext}_{E'}(F_p, F_p) = F_p[\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \dots, \bar{v}_i, \dots],$$

and  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0, s_1)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))$  has a structure of  $F_p[\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2]$ -module. In order to compute  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0, s_1)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))$ , we apply the Cartan-Eilenberg spectral sequence to an extension of Hopf algebras  $E(s_1) \rightarrow E(s_0, s_1) \rightarrow E(s_0)$  ([6] A1.3.14)

$$\begin{aligned} E_2^{s, t} &= \text{Ext}_{E(s_1)}^s(F_p, \text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}^t(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))) \\ &\Rightarrow \text{Ext}_{E(s_0, s_1)}^{s+t}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p)). \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (1.11) that the  $E(s_1)$ -comodule structure of  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))$  is given by

$$(1.16) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{\varphi}_1(z_{2i(p+1)-1}) &= 1 \otimes z_{2i(p+1)-1} - (i-1)s_1 \otimes z_3 z_{2(i-1)(p+1)-1}, \\ \tilde{\varphi}_1(z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1}) &= 1 \otimes z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1}. \end{aligned}$$

We set

$$\begin{aligned} N &= F_p\{z_{2p+1}\} \oplus F_p[\bar{v}_0]\{1, z_3, \bar{v}_0 z_{2p^2+2p-1}, z_3 z_{2p^2+2p-1}\}, \\ N_i &= F_p\{z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1}, z_{2(i+1)(p+1)-1}\} \end{aligned}$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ . Then  $N$  and  $N_i$  are subcomodules of  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))$ .  $N$  consists of primitive elements and  $N_i$  is isomorphic to  $E(s_1)$  with shifting degrees.

Since  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))$  is a direct sum of  $N$  and  $N_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ ,  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_1)}(F_p, \text{Ext}_{E(s_0)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p)))$  is isomorphic to

$$F_p\{X_{2i(p+1)+2} \mid 1 \leq i \leq p-1\} \oplus F_p[\bar{v}_1]\{z_{2p+1}\} \\ \oplus F_p[\bar{v}_0, \bar{v}_1]\{1, z_3, z'_{2p^2+2p-1}, X_{2p^2+2p+2}\},$$

where  $X_{2i(p+1)+2}$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  are the classes of  $[ ]z_3z_{2i(p+1)-1}$  and  $[ ]\bar{v}_0z_{2p^2+2p-1}$ , respectively.

We note that  $X_{2i(p+1)+2}$ ,  $z_{2p+1}$ ,  $z_3$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  belong to  $E_2^{0,0}$ , hence the spectral sequence collapses. We use the same symbols as  $X_j$ ,  $z_{2p+1}$ ,  $z_3$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  to denote the elements of  $\text{Ext}_{E(s_0, s_1)}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))$  corresponding to them. The cocycles representing  $X_{2i(p+1)+2}$ ,  $z_{2p+1}$ ,  $z_3$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  in the cobar complex are given by  $[ ]b_3b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{i-1}$ ,  $[ ]b_{2p+1}$ ,  $[ ]b_3$  and  $[s_0]b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{p-1} + [s_0s_1]b_3b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{p-1} - [s_1]b_3b_{2p+1}^{p-1}$ , respectively.

By (1.13),  $[s_0]b_{2p+1}$  is cohomologous to  $[s_1]b_3$ , thus we have a relation  $\bar{v}_0z_{2p+1} = \bar{v}_1z_3$ . Similarly,  $[s_j]b_3b_{2p+1}b_{2p+2}^{i-1}$  ( $j = 0, 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ ) are cohomologous to 0 in the cobar complex, hence  $X_{2i(p+1)+2}$  is annihilated by  $\bar{v}_0$  and  $\bar{v}_1$  if  $i < p$ .

We put  $R = \text{Ext}_E(F_p, F_p) = F_p[\bar{v}_0, \bar{v}_1, \dots]$ . By virtue of the isomorphism (1.14) we obtain the following result.

**Proposition 1.17.**  $\text{Ext}_E(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p))$  is isomorphic to

$$R/(\bar{v}_0, \bar{v}_1)\{X_{2i(p+1)+2} \mid 1 \leq i \leq p-1\} \\ \oplus R\{z_3, z_{2p+1}\}/(\bar{v}_1z_3 - \bar{v}_0z_{2p+1}) \\ \oplus R\{1, z'_{2p^2+2p-1}, X_{2p^2+2p+2}\}$$

as an  $R$ -module.

Since  $X_j \in E_2^{0,j}$ ,  $z_j \in E_2^{0,j}$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1} \in E_2^{1,2p^2+2p}$ , the Adams spectral sequence (1.6) collapses for dimensional reason. Moreover, the extension problem of the  $BP_*$ -module structure is trivial also for dimensional reason.

Consider the morphism of spectral sequences  $T_{Z(p)}$  from (1.6) to (1.5) induced by the Thom map  $T_{Z(p)}: BP \rightarrow K(Z(p))$ . It follows from (1.7) that

$T_{Z(p)}$  maps  $X_{2i(p+1)+2}$  to  $z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1}$ ,  $z_3$  to  $z_3$ ,  $z_{2p+1}$  to  $z_{2p+1}$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  to  $\bar{v}_0 z_{2p^2+2p-1}$  in the  $E_2$ -terms.

**Proposition 1.18.**  $BP_*(K(p))$  is isomorphic to

$$\begin{aligned} & BP_*/(p, v_1)\{X_{2i(p+1)+2} \mid 1 \leq i \leq p-1\} \\ & \oplus BP_*\{z_3, z_{2p+1}\}/(v_1 z_3 - p z_{2p+1}) \\ & \oplus BP_*\{1, z'_{2p^2+2p-1}, X_{2p^2+2p+2}\} \end{aligned}$$

as an  $BP_*$ -module, where  $\deg X_j = j$ ,  $\deg z_j = j$  and  $\deg z'_{2p^2+2p-1} = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ .  $T_{Z(p)}: BP_*(K(p)) \rightarrow H_*(K(p); Z(p))$  maps  $X_{2i(p+1)+2}$  to  $z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1}$ ,  $z_3$  to  $z_3$ ,  $z_{2p+1}$  to  $z_{2p+1}$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  to  $p z_{2p^2+2p-1}$ .

**Remark 1.19.** (1) Since  $K(p)$  is a Hopf space, the spectral sequences (1.5) and (1.6) are multiplicative. Thus, in  $BP_*(K(p))$ , we have relations  $z_3 z_{2p+1} = X_{2p+4}$  and  $z_3 z'_{2p^2+2p-1} = p X_{2p^2+2p+2} + \gamma v_2 X_{2p+4}$  for some  $\gamma \in Z(p)$ . (See (4.14).)

(2) Let us denote by  $\psi: BP_*(K(p)) \rightarrow BP_*BP \otimes_{BP_*} BP_*(K(p))$  the  $BP_*BP$ -comodule structure map. Then, it follows from (1.9) and (1.18) that  $X_{2i(p+1)+2}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p$ ) and  $z_3$  are primitive and that  $\psi(z_{2p+1}) = 1 \otimes z_{2p+1} - t_1 \otimes z_3$ . We note that  $\widetilde{BP}_*(K(p))$  is the direct sum of subcomodules  $BP_*/(p, v_1)\{X_{2i(p+1)+2}\}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p-1$ ),  $BP_*\{X_{2p^2+2p+2}\}$  and  $BP_*\{z_3, z_{2p+1}\}/(v_1 z_3 - p z_{2p+1}) \oplus BP_*\{z'_{2p^2+2p-1}\}$ . Let us denote by  $K(p)^n$  the  $n$ -skeleton of  $K(p)$ , then it is shown that the inclusion map  $\widetilde{K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2}} \hookrightarrow K(p)$  induces a monomorphism  $\widetilde{BP}_*(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2}) \rightarrow \widetilde{BP}_*(K(p))$  onto the direct sum of  $BP_*\{z_3, z_{2p+1}\}/(v_1 z_3 - p z_{2p+1})$  and  $BP_*/(p, v_1)\{X_{2i(p+1)+2}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq p-1$ .

**2. The homotopy groups of  $K(p)$ .** We calculate  $H^*(K(p); Z(p))$  by using the Bockstein long exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \cdots \longrightarrow H^i(K(p); Z(p)) &\xrightarrow{p\chi} H^i(K(p); Z(p)) \xrightarrow{\rho} \\ &H^i(K(p); F_p) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^{i+1}(K(p); Z(p)) \longrightarrow \cdots \end{aligned}$$

We can easily show the following.

**Proposition 2.1.** We put  $y_{2p+2} = \delta(x_{2p+1})$  and there are elements  $y_3$  and  $y_{2p^2+2p-1}$  of  $H^*(K(p); Z(p))$  such that  $\rho(y_3) = x_3$  and

$\rho(y_{2p^2+2p-1}) = x_{2p+1}x_{2p+2}^{p-1}$ .  $H^*(K(p); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  is isomorphic to

$$F_p\{y_{2p+2}^i, y_3y_{2p+2}^i \mid 1 \leq i \leq p-1\} \\ \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{1, y_3, y_{2p^2+2p-1}, y_3y_{2p^2+2p-1}\}.$$

Let  $F$  be the homotopy fiber of  $y_3: K(p) \rightarrow K(\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, 3)$ .  $f: F \rightarrow K(p)$  denotes the inclusion map of the fiber. Applying the Serre spectral sequence to the fibration  $F \xrightarrow{f} K(p) \xrightarrow{y_3} K(\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, 3)$ , a routine argument shows

**Proposition 2.2.** *For degree  $\leq 2p^3$ ,  $H^*(F; F_p)$  is isomorphic to  $E(u_{2p^2+1}, u_{2p^2+2p-1}) \otimes F_p[u_{2p^2}]$  with  $\mathcal{A}_p$ -action  $\beta(u_{2p^2}) = u_{2p^2+1}$  and  $\beta^1(u_{2p^2+1}) = u_{2p^2+2p-1}$ .*

**Corollary 2.3.** *The  $(4p^2 - 1)$ -skeleton of  $F$  is homotopy equivalent to a 3-cell complex  $X = S^{2p^2} \cup e^{2p^2+1} \cup e^{2p^2+2p-1}$  such that the subcomplex  $Y = S^{2p^2} \cup e^{2p^2+1}$  is the mod  $p$  Moore space and the top cell  $e^{2p^2+2p-1}$  is attached to  $Y$  by the map  $\bar{\alpha}_1 \in \pi_{2p^2+2p-2}(Y)$  which maps to  $\alpha_1 \in \pi_{2p^2+2p-2}(S^{2p^2+1}) \cong \pi_{2p-3}^S(S^0)$  by the map induced by  $Y \rightarrow Y/S^{2p^2} = S^{2p^2+1}$ .*

Namely,  $X$  is nothing but the  $2p^2$ -fold suspension of the Toda's spectrum  $V(1/2)$  [7].

**Corollary 2.4.**  $\pi_i(K(p)) = 0$  for  $i < 3$  or  $3 < i < 2p^2$  and there are isomorphisms

$$\pi_3(K(p)) \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, \\ \pi_i(K(p)) \cong \pi_{i-2p^2}^S(V(1/2)) \quad \text{for } 2p^2 \leq i \leq 4p^2 - 2.$$

Hence it suffices to know  $\pi_i^S(V(1/2))$  for  $i \leq 2p^2 - 2$  to know  $\pi_i(K(p))$  for  $i \leq 4p^2 - 2$ .

We denote by  $M_p$  the mod  $p$  Moore spectrum  $S^0 \cup_p e^1$ . Consider the long exact sequences of stable homotopy groups associated with the cofibrations  $S^0 \xrightarrow{p} S^0 \xrightarrow{i_0} M_p \xrightarrow{\partial_0} S^1$  and  $S^{2p-2} \xrightarrow{\tilde{\alpha}_1} M_p \xrightarrow{i_1} V(1/2) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} S^{2p-1}$ .

$$(2.5) \quad \cdots \longrightarrow \pi_i^S(S^0) \xrightarrow{p} \pi_i^S(S^0) \xrightarrow{i_0^*} \pi_i^S(M_p) \xrightarrow{\partial_0^*} \\ \pi_{i-1}^S(S^0) \longrightarrow \cdots,$$



$$(2.6) \quad \cdots \longrightarrow \pi_i^S(S^{2p-2}) \xrightarrow{\bar{\alpha}_1^*} \pi_i^S(M_p) \xrightarrow{\iota_1^*} \pi_i^S(V(1/2)) \xrightarrow{\beta_1^*} \pi_{i-1}^S(S^{2p-2}) \longrightarrow \cdots.$$

We recall several stable homotopy groups of the sphere.

**Theorem 2.7.** *For  $i \leq 2p^2$ , the  $p$ -component of  $\pi_i^S(S^0)$  is trivial except for the following cases.*

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_0^S(S^0) &= \mathbb{Z}\{1\}, \\ \pi_{2r(p-1)-1}^S(S^0) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\alpha_r\} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq r < p \text{ or } r = p+1, \\ \pi_{2p^2-2p-2}^S(S^0) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\beta_1\}, \\ \pi_{2p^2-2p-1}^S(S^0) &= \mathbb{Z}/p^2\{\alpha_{p/2}\}, \\ \pi_{2p^2-5}^S(S^0) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\alpha_1\beta_1\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha: \Sigma^{2(p-1)}M_p \rightarrow M_p$  denote the Adams map. We put  $\bar{\alpha}_r = \alpha^r \iota_0$ , then  $\alpha_r = \partial_0 \bar{\alpha}_r$ . Since every element of  $\pi_*^S(M_p)$  is order  $p$ , the long exact sequence (2.5) splits into split short exact sequences

$$(2.8) \quad 0 \longrightarrow \pi_i^S(S^0)/p\pi_i^S(S^0) \longrightarrow \pi_i^S(M_p) \longrightarrow \text{Ker}\{p: \pi_{i-1}^S(S^0) \rightarrow \pi_{i-1}^S(S^0)\} \longrightarrow 0.$$

If  $x \in \pi_{i-1}^S(S^0)$  is an element of order  $p$ , we denote by  $\bar{x}$  an element of  $\pi_i^S(M_p)$  such that  $\partial_0 \bar{x} = x$ . Theorem (2.7) immediately implies

**Proposition 2.9.** *For  $i \leq 2p^2$ ,  $\pi_i^S(M_p) = 0$  except for the following cases.*

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_0^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_0\}, \\ \pi_{2r(p-1)-1}^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_0\alpha_r\} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq r < p \text{ or } r = p+1, \\ \pi_{2r(p-1)}^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\bar{\alpha}_r\} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq r < p \text{ or } r = p+1, \\ \pi_{2p^2-2p-2}^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_0\beta_1\}, \\ \pi_{2p^2-2p-1}^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_0\alpha_{p/2}, \bar{\beta}_1\}, \\ \pi_{2p^2-2p}^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\overline{p\alpha_{p/2}}\}, \\ \pi_{2p^2-5}^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_0\alpha_1\beta_1\}, \\ \pi_{2p^2-4}^S(M_p) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\bar{\alpha}_1\beta_1\}. \end{aligned}$$

We need to determine the map  $\bar{\alpha}_1^*: \pi_{i-2p+2}^S(S^0) \rightarrow \pi_i^S(M_p)$  for  $i \leq 2p^2 - 2$ . Consider the Adams-Novikov spectral sequences for  $BP$ -theory converging to  $\pi_*^S(S^0)$  and  $\pi_*^S(M_p)$ .

From now on, for a  $BP_*BP$ -comodule  $M$ , we set  $H^{s,t}(M) = \text{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{s,t}(BP_*, M)$ .

Recall from [3] that the cocycles representing  $\alpha_r$  and  $\alpha_{p/2}$  in  $H^{1,*}(BP_*)$  are the following elements of the cobar complex  $\Omega^*(BP_*)$ .

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} & r[t_1]v_1^{r-1} + \sum_{j=2}^r \binom{r}{j} (-p)^{j-1} [t_1^j] v_1^{r-j}, \\ & [t_1]v_1^{p-1} + \sum_{j=2}^p \binom{p}{j} (-p)^{j-2} [t_1^j] v_1^{p-j} \end{aligned}$$

Here we regard  $BP_*$  as a *left*  $BP_*BP$ -comodule.

We summarize the structure of  $H^{s,t}(BP_*)$ ,  $H^{s,t}(BP_*/(p))$  and  $H^{s,t}(BP_*/(p, v_1))$ .

**Proposition 2.11.** (1) For  $t - s < 2p^2 + 2p$ ,  $H^{s,t}(BP_*) = 0$  except for the following cases.

$$\begin{aligned} H^{0,0}(BP_*) &= \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{1\}, \\ H^{1,2r(p-1)}(BP_*) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\alpha_r\} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq r < p \text{ or } r = p+1, \\ H^{1,2p(p-1)}(BP_*) &= \mathbb{Z}/p^2\{\alpha_{p/2}\}, \\ H^{2,2p(p-1)}(BP_*) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\beta_1\}, \\ H^{3,2p^2-2}(BP_*) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\alpha_1\beta_1\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\beta_1$  is represented by a cocycle  $\sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \binom{p}{i} [t_1^i | t_1^{p-i}]/p$ .

(2) For  $t - s < 2p^2$ ,  $H^{s,t}(BP_*/(p)) = 0$  except for the following cases.

$$\begin{aligned} H^{0,0}(BP_*/(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{1\}, \\ H^{0,2r(p-1)}(BP_*/(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{v_1^r\} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq r \leq p+1, \\ H^{1,2r(p-1)}(BP_*/(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{v_1^{r-1}\alpha_1\} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq r < p \text{ or } r = p+1, \\ H^{1,2p(p-1)}(BP_*/(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{v_1^{p-1}\alpha_1, h_1\}, \\ H^{2,2p(p-1)}(BP_*/(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\beta_1\}, \\ H^{2,2p^2-2}(BP_*/(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{v_1\beta_1\}, \\ H^{3,2p^2-2}(BP_*/(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\alpha_1\beta_1\}. \end{aligned}$$

$h_1$  is the element represented by a cocycle  $[t_1^p]$ ,  $\alpha_1$  and  $\beta_1$  here are the mod  $p$  reduction of the elements of (1) with the same symbol.

(3) For  $t - s < 2p^2$ ,  $H^{s,t}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) = 0$  except for the following cases.

$$\begin{aligned} H^{0,0}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{1\}, \\ H^{0,2p^2-2}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{v_2\}, \\ H^{1,2p-2}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\alpha_1\}, \\ H^{1,2p(p-1)}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{h_1\}, \\ H^{2,2p(p-1)}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\beta_1\}, \\ H^{3,2p^2-2}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\alpha_1\beta_1\}. \end{aligned}$$

$h_1$ ,  $\alpha_1$  and  $\beta_1$  are the mod  $(p, v_1)$  reduction of the elements of (2) with the same symbol.

Since  $\iota_0 \cdot: BP_*(S^0) \rightarrow BP_*(M_p) = BP_*/(p)$  is the mod  $p$  reduction map, in the  $E_2$ -level,  $\iota_0 \cdot: H^{*,*}(BP_*(S^0)) \rightarrow H^{*,*}(BP_*(M_p))$  maps  $\alpha_r$  and  $\alpha_{p/2}$  to the elements represented by  $r[t_1]v_1^{r-1}$  and  $[t_1]v_1^{p-1}$ , respectively. On the other hand, since  $\alpha: \Sigma^{2(p-1)}M_p \rightarrow M_p$  induces the  $v_1$ -multiplication map on  $BP_*(M_p)$ ,  $\bar{\alpha}_1 = \alpha\iota_0$  induces  $\bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot: H^{*,*}(BP_*(S^0)) \rightarrow H^{*,*}(BP_*(M_p))$  which maps  $\alpha_{r-1}$  and  $\alpha_{p/2}$  to the elements represented by  $(r-1)[t_1]v_1^{r-1}$  and  $[t_1]v_1^p$ , respectively. Thus  $\bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\alpha_{r-1}) = ((r-1)/r)\iota_0 \cdot (\alpha_r)$  for  $2 \leq r < p$  or  $r = p+2$ ,  $\bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\alpha_{p-1}) = -\iota_0 \cdot (\alpha_{p/2})$  and  $\bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\alpha_{p/2}) = \iota_0 \cdot (\alpha_{p+1})$  hold in the  $E_2$ -term.

It follows from (2.11) that  $H^{1,2p^2-2p}(BP_*(M_p))$  is a 2-dimensional vector space over  $F_p$  and  $H^{s,2p^2-2p+s}(BP_*(M_p)) = 0$  for  $s > 1$ , hence both elements  $\iota_0 \alpha_{p/2}$  and  $\bar{\beta}_1$  of  $\pi_{2p^2-2p-1}^S(M_p)$  are in the same Adams filtration.

These arguments show the following.

**Proposition 2.12.**  $\bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot: \pi_{i-2p+2}^S(S^0) \rightarrow \pi_i^S(M_p)$  is given as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (1) &= \bar{\alpha}_1, \\ \bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\alpha_{r-1}) &= \frac{r-1}{r} \iota_0 \alpha_r \quad \text{for } 2 \leq r < p \text{ or } r = p+2, \\ \bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\alpha_{p-1}) &= -\iota_0 \alpha_{p/2}, \\ \bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\alpha_{p/2}) &= \iota_0 \alpha_{p+1}, \\ \bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\beta_1) &= \bar{\alpha}_1 \beta_1, \\ \bar{\alpha}_1 \cdot (\alpha_1 \beta_1) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the above result to (2.6) we obtain

**Proposition 2.13.** *For  $i < 2p^2 - 2$ ,  $\pi_i^S(V(1/2)) = 0$  except for the following cases.*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_0^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_1\iota_0\}, \\
 \pi_{2p-3}^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_1\iota_0\alpha_1\}, \\
 \pi_{2p-1}^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{w_{2p-1}\}, \\
 &\quad \text{where } w_{2p-1} \text{ maps to } p \in \pi_0^S(S^0) \text{ by } \partial_1^*, \\
 \pi_{2r(p-1)}^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\bar{\alpha}_r\} \text{ for } 2 \leq r < p, \\
 \pi_{2p^2-2p-2}^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_1\iota_0\beta_1\}, \\
 \pi_{2p^2-2p-1}^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_1\bar{\beta}_1\}, \\
 \pi_{2p^2-2p}^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_1\overline{p\alpha_{p/2}}\}, \\
 \pi_{2p^2-5}^S(V(1/2)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\iota_1\iota_0\alpha_1\beta_1\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, there is a short exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 \longrightarrow \pi_{2p^2-2}^S(M_p) &\xrightarrow{\iota_1^*} \pi_{2p^2-2}^S(V(1/2)) \xrightarrow{\partial_1^*} \\
 &p\pi_{2p^2-2p-1}^S(S^0) \longrightarrow 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we solve the extension problem in  $\pi_{2p^2-2}^S(V(1/2))$ . Consider the long exact sequence of  $BP$ -homology associated with cofibration  $S^{2p-1} \xrightarrow{\eta} V(1/2) \xrightarrow{\iota_2} V(1) \xrightarrow{\partial} S^{2p}$ . Since  $BP_*(S^{2p-1})$  is concentrated in odd dimensions and  $BP_*(V(1)) = BP_*/(p, v_1)$  is concentrated in even dimensions, the long exact sequence splits and give an isomorphism of  $BP_*$ -modules,

$$(2.14) \quad BP_*(V(1/2)) \cong BP_*\{w_{2p-1}\} \oplus BP_*/(p, v_1)\{1\}.$$

Here we put  $w_{2p-1} = \eta_*(id_{S^{2p-1}}) \in BP_{2p-1}(V(1/2))$  and  $1 \in BP_0(V(1/2))$  is the unique element that maps to  $1 \in BP_0(V(1))$  by  $\iota_{2*}$ . Both of them are primitive and the above isomorphism is an isomorphism of  $BP_*BP$ -comodules.

We consider the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence

$$(2.15) \quad E_2^{s,t} = H^{s,t}(BP_*(V(1/2))) \Rightarrow \pi_{t-s}^S(V(1/2)).$$

By (2.14), we have an isomorphism

$$(2.16) \quad E_2^{s,t} \cong H^{s,t-2p+1}(BP_*)\{w_{2p-1}\} \oplus H^{s,t}(BP_*/(p, v_1)).$$

Then, there are non trivial elements  $\beta_1 w_{2p-1} \in E_2^{2,2p^2-1}$ ,  $v_2 \in E_2^{0,2p^2-2}$  of order  $p$ , and  $\alpha_{p/2} w_{2p-1} \in E_2^{1,2p^2-1}$  of order  $p^2$ . Since  $\pi_{2p^2-3}^S(V(1/2)) = 0$  by (2.13),  $\beta_1 w_{2p-1}$  is killed by  $v_2$  and  $\alpha_{p/2} w_{2p-1}$  is a permanent cycle representing an element of order  $p^2$ . This solves the extension problem.

**Proposition 2.17.**

$$\pi_{2p^2-2}^S(V(1/2)) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p^2.$$

**Proposition 2.18.** *For  $i \leq 4p^2 - 2$ ,  $\pi_i(K(p)) = 0$  except for the following cases.*

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_3(K(p)) &\cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, \\ \pi_{2p^2}(K(p)) &\cong \pi_{2p^2+2p-3}(K(p)) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p, \\ \pi_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p)) &\cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, \\ \pi_{2p^2+2r(p-1)}(K(p)) &\cong \mathbb{Z}/p \quad \text{for } 2 \leq r < p, \\ \pi_{4p^2-2p-2}(K(p)) &\cong \pi_{4p^2-2p-1}(K(p)) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p, \\ \pi_{4p^2-2p}(K(p)) &\cong \pi_{4p^2-5}(K(p)) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p, \\ \pi_{4p^2-2}(K(p)) &\cong \mathbb{Z}/p^2 \end{aligned}$$

The rest of this section is devoted to show the following lemma which is needed in the next section.

**Lemma 2.19.**

$$\pi_{2p^2+2p-2}^S(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p.$$

To show this lemma, we use the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence

$$(2.20) \quad E_2^{s,t} = H^{s,t}(BP_*(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2})) \Rightarrow \pi_{t-s}^S(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2}).$$

Set  $L_i = BP_*/(p, v_1)\{X_{2i(p+1)+2}\}$  ( $i < p$ ),  $L_p = BP_*\{X_{2p^2+2p+2}\}$ ,  $M_0 = BP_*\{z_3\}$ ,  $M_1 = BP_*\{z_3, z_{2p+1}\}/(v_1 z_3 - p z_{2p+1})$ ,  $M_2 = BP_*\{z_3, z_{2p+1}\}/(v_1 z_3 - p z_{2p+1}) \oplus BP_*\{z'_{2p^2+2p-1}\}$ . They are subcomodules of  $BP_*(K(p))$  and  $BP_*(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2})$  is the direct sum of  $L_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p-1$ ) and  $M_1$  ((1.19)).

Consider the long exact sequence associated with a short exact sequence of  $BP_*BP$ -comodules  $0 \rightarrow M_0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_1/M_0 \rightarrow 0$ .

$$(2.21) \quad \cdots \longrightarrow H^{s,t}(M_0) \longrightarrow H^{s,t}(M_1) \longrightarrow H^{s,t}(M_1/M_0) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^{s+1,t}(M_0) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

We denote by  $\bar{z}_{2p+1} \in M_0/M_1$  represented by  $z_{2p+1}$ . Since  $M_1/M_0 = BP_*/(p)\{\bar{z}_{2p+1}\}$ ,  $H^{s,t}(M_1/M_0)$  is identified with  $H^{s,t-2p-1}(BP_*/(p))\{\bar{z}_{2p+1}\}$ . We can verify the formula

$$(2.22) \quad \psi(v_1^r z_{2p+1}) = 1 \otimes v_1^r z_{2p+1} - \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} \binom{r+1}{i} (-p)^{i-1} t_1^i \otimes v_1^{r+1-i} z_3.$$

Then, it follows from (2.11) that  $\delta: H^{s,t}(M_1/M_0) \rightarrow H^{s+1,t}(M_0)$  is given by  $\delta(v_1^r \bar{z}_{2p+1}) = \alpha_{r+1} z_3$ ,  $\delta(v_1^{r-1} \alpha_1 \bar{z}_{2p+1}) = 0$ ,  $\delta(\beta_1 \bar{z}_{2p+1}) = \alpha_1 \beta_1 z_3$ ,  $\delta(v_1 \beta_1 \bar{z}_{2p+1}) = \delta(\alpha_1 \beta_1 \bar{z}_{2p+1}) = 0$ .

We put  $\xi_r = \sum_{j=1}^r ((-p)^{j-1}/(j+1)) \binom{r}{j} [t_1^{j+1}] v_1^{r-j} \in \Omega^1(BP_*)$ . Then, we have  $\alpha_1 \alpha_r = d(-\xi_r)$  in  $\Omega^2(BP_*)$  and  $[t_1] v_1^{r-1} z_{2p+1} - \xi_r z_3$  is a cocycle of  $\Omega^1(M_1)$ . Let  $\omega_r$  be the element of  $H^{1,2r(p-1)+2p+1}(M_1)$  represented by  $[t_1] v_1^{r-1} z_{2p+1} - \xi_r z_3$ . It is easy to see that  $\omega_r$  maps to  $v_1^{r-1} \alpha_1 \bar{z}_{2p+1}$  by  $H^{*,*}(M_1) \rightarrow H^{*,*}(M_1/M_0)$  and that  $p\omega_{p-1} = -\alpha_{p/2} z_3$  holds in the cobar complex of  $M_1$ . Therefore we obtain

**Proposition 2.23.**  $H^{s,t}(M_1) = 0$  if  $t - s \leq 2p^2 + 2p$  except for the following cases.

$$\begin{aligned} H^{0,3}(M_1) &= \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{z_3\}, \\ H^{1,2r(p-1)+2p+1}(M_1) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\omega_r\} \quad \text{for } r < p-1 \text{ or } r = p+1, \\ H^{1,2p^2-2p+3}(M_1) &= \mathbb{Z}/p^2\{\omega_{p-1}\}, \\ H^{1,2p^2+1}(M_1) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\omega_p, h_1 z_{2p+1}\}, \\ H^{2,2p^2-2p+3}(M_1) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\beta_1 z_3\}, \\ H^{2,2p^2+2p-1}(M_1) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{v_1 \beta_1 z_{2p+1}\}, \\ H^{3,2p^2+2p-1}(M_1) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{\beta_1 \omega_1\}. \end{aligned}$$

(2.11) implies that  $H^{s,t}(L_i) \cong H^{s,t-2i(p+1)-2}(BP_*/(p, v_1)) = 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq p-1$  if  $t - s = 2p^2 + 2p - 2$ . Since  $H^{s,t}(BP_*(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2})) \cong H^{s,t}(M_1) \oplus \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} H^{s,t}(L_i)$ , (2.19) follows from (2.23).

**Remark 2.24.** It is easy to verify from (2.21) that  $H^{0,t}(M_1) = 0$  unless  $t = 3$ .

**3. The Hurewicz homomorphism.** To begin with, we examine the Hurewicz homomorphisms  $h^{BP}: \pi_i(F) \rightarrow BP_i(F)$  and  $h: \pi_i(F) \rightarrow H_i(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  for  $i \leq 4p^2 - 2$ .

Since  $E_2^{0,t} = H^{0,t}(BP_*(V(1/2))) = 0$  if  $t \neq 2p - 1, 2r(p^2 - 1)$  ( $r = 0, 1, \dots$ ) in (2.14) and  $v_2$  supports a differential,  $h^{BP}: \pi_i^S(V(1/2)) \rightarrow BP_i(V(1/2))$  is trivial if  $i \neq 0, 2p - 1$  and  $i \leq 2p^2 - 2$ , and it is an isomorphism if  $i = 0$  or  $2p - 1$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *For  $i \leq 4p^2 - 2$ , the Hurewicz homomorphism  $h^{BP}: \pi_i(F) \rightarrow BP_i(F)$  is trivial if  $i \neq 2p^2, 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ , and it is an isomorphism if  $i = 2p^2$  or  $2p^2 + 2p - 1$ .*

**Remark 3.2.** It follows from (2.13) that, for degree  $\leq 4p^2 - 2$ ,  $\widehat{BP}_*(F)$  is isomorphic to  $BP_*/(p, v_1)\{Y_{2p^2}\} \oplus BP_*\{Y_{2p^2+2p-1}\}$ .

Consider the long exact sequence of ordinary homology theory of  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -coefficients associated with a cofibration  $S^{2p-2} \xrightarrow{\bar{\alpha}_1} M_p \xrightarrow{\iota_1} V(1/2) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} S^{2p-1}$ .

$$(3.3) \quad \longrightarrow H_i(S^{2p-2}; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{\bar{\alpha}_1^*} H_i(M_p; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{\iota_1^*} H_i(V(1/2); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{\partial_1^*} H_{i-1}(S^{2p-2}; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \longrightarrow$$

Then, we see the following fact

**Proposition 3.4.** (1)  $H_i(V(1/2); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) = 0$  if  $i \neq 0, 2p - 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \iota_{1*}: H_0(M_p; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) &\longrightarrow H_0(V(1/2); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \quad \text{and} \\ \partial_{1*}: H_{2p-1}(V(1/2); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) &\longrightarrow H_{2p-2}(S^{2p-2}; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \end{aligned}$$

are isomorphisms, where  $H_0(M_p; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \cong F_p$ ,  $H_{2p-2}(S^{2p-2}; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ .

(2)  $H_i(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) = 0$  if  $i \neq 0, 2p^2, 2p^2 + 2p - 1$  for  $i \leq 4p^2 - 2$ , and there are isomorphisms  $H_0(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \cong H_{2p^2+2p-1}(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  and  $H_{2p^2}(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \cong F_p$ .

The Hurewicz homomorphisms give a morphism of the long exact sequences from (2.6) to (3.3). It follows from (2.12) and (3.4) that  $h: \pi_{2p-1}^S(V(1/2)) \rightarrow H_{2p-1}(V(1/2); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  maps injectively onto  $pH_{2p-1}(V(1/2); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** *For  $i \leq 4p^2 - 2$ , the Hurewicz homomorphism  $h: \pi_i(F) \rightarrow H_i(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  is trivial if  $i \neq 2p^2, 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ , it is an isomorphism if  $i = 2p^2$ , and it is an injection onto  $pH_{2p^2+2p-1}(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  if  $i = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ .*

**Remark 3.6.** (3.4) and (3.5) imply that the Thom map  $T_{\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}}: BP_i(F) \rightarrow H_i(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  is a bijection if  $i = 0, 2p^2$ , and it is an injection onto  $pH_{2p^2+2p-1}(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  if  $i = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ .

Recall that  $H_*(K(\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, 3); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  for degree  $\leq 2p^2 + 2p + 1$  is isomorphic to

$$(3.7) \quad \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{\theta_0, \theta_3\} \oplus \mathbb{F}_p\{\theta_{2r(p+1)-1} | r \leq p\} \oplus \mathbb{F}_p\{\theta_{2r(p+1)+2} | r < p\} \\ \oplus \mathbb{F}_p\{\theta_{2p^2+1}, \theta_{2p^2+4}\},$$

where  $\deg \theta_i = i$ .

Consider the homology Serre spectral sequence associated with the fibration  $F \xrightarrow{f} K(p) \xrightarrow{y_3} K(\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, 3)$ ;

$$E_{s,t}^2 = H_s(K(\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, 3); H_t(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})) \Rightarrow H_{s+t}(K(p); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}).$$

By (1.12) and (3.4),  $\theta_{2p^2+1} \in E_{2p^2+1,0}^2$  supports a differential and kills a generator of  $E_{0,2p^2}^2 = H_{2p^2}(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p$ . Since  $E_{s,t}^2 = 0$  if  $s + t = 2p^2 + 2p - 2$  or  $2p^2 + 2p$ , elements of total degree  $2p^2 + 2p - 1$  are permanent cycles. We also note the fact  $E_{s,t}^2 = 0$  if  $s + t = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$  and  $s, t > 0$ . Hence we have a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H_{2p^2+2p-1}(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{f_*} H_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \xrightarrow{y_{3*}} \\ H_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}, 3); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \longrightarrow 0.$$

By virtue of (1.12), (3.4) and (3.7), we obtain

**Proposition 3.8.**  *$f_*: H_i(F; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}) \rightarrow H_i(K(p); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  is a bijection if  $i = 0$ , an injection onto  $pH_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  if  $i = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ . Otherwise  $f_*$  is a zero map.*

Combining (3.5) and (3.8), we have the following result by the naturality of the Hurewicz homomorphism

**Proposition 3.9.** *The Hurewicz homomorphism  $h: \pi_i(K(p)) \rightarrow H_i(K(p); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  is trivial if  $i \neq 3, 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ , an isomorphism if  $i = 3$  and an injection onto  $p^2H_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p); \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$  if  $i = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$ .*



It follows from (1.18) and the above result that the  $BP$ -Hurewicz homomorphism  $h^{BP}: \pi_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p)) \rightarrow BP_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p))$  maps a generator to an element, say  $\zeta$ , of the form  $pz'_{2p^2+2p-1} + (\lambda v_1^{p+1} + \mu v_2)z_{2p+1}$ . Since  $\zeta$  is primitive,  $(\lambda v_1^{p+1} + \mu v_2)z_{2p+1}$  is primitive modulo  $p$ . Recall that  $v_1 z_3 = pz_{2p+1}$ ,  $\eta_R(v_1) = v_1 + pt_1$  and  $\eta_R(v_2) \equiv v_2 + v_1 t_1^p - v_1^p t_1$  modulo  $p$  [5], then we can easily verify from (1.19) that  $v_1^{p+1} z_{2p+1}$  is primitive modulo  $p$  and that  $\psi(v_2 z_{2p+1}) \equiv 1 \otimes v_2 z_{2p+1} + t_1 \otimes v_1^p z_{2p+1} - t_1 \otimes v_2 z_3$  modulo  $p$ . This implies that  $\mu \equiv 0$  modulo  $p$ , hence we may assume  $\mu = 0$  by replacing  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1} + (\mu/p)v_2 z_{2p+1}$  by  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$ .

We set  $\psi(z'_{2p^2+2p-1}) = 1 \otimes z'_{2p^2+2p-1} + A \otimes z_{2p+1} + B \otimes z_3$  for  $A \in BP_{2p^2-2}BP$  and  $B \in BP_{2p^2+2p-4}BP$ . We may assume  $B = bt_1^{p+2} + cv_2 t_1 + dt_1 t_2$  ( $b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ ) and put  $A = \sum_{i=0}^{p+1} a_i t_1^i \eta_R(v_1)^{p+1-i} + at_2 + a'v_2$ . Then,  $(\varepsilon \otimes 1)\psi(z'_{2p^2+2p-1}) = z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  implies that  $a_0 = a' = 0$ . An easy calculation shows that the equality  $\psi(\zeta) = 1 \otimes \zeta$  forces  $a_i = \lambda(-p)^{i-1} \binom{p+2}{i}$ ,  $b = \lambda p^p$  and  $a = c = d = 0$ . Then we have

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi(z'_{2p^2+2p-1}) &= 1 \otimes z'_{2p^2+2p-1} + \lambda(p+2)t_1 \otimes v_1^p z_{2p+1} \\ &\quad - \lambda \sum_{i=0}^p (-p)^i \binom{p+2}{i+2} t_1^{i+2} \otimes v_1^{p-i} z_3 \end{aligned}$$

Consider the long exact sequence associated with a short exact sequence of  $BP_*BP$ -comodules  $0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow M_2/M_1 \rightarrow 0$ .

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{aligned} \cdots \longrightarrow H^{s,t}(M_1) \longrightarrow H^{s,t}(M_2) \longrightarrow H^{s,t}(M_2/M_1) \xrightarrow{\delta} \\ H^{s+1,t}(M_1) \longrightarrow \cdots \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $\bar{z}'_{2p^2+2p-1} \in M_2/M_1$  the class of  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1} \in M_2$ . Then  $\bar{z}'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  is primitive in  $M_2/M_1$  and  $H^{s,t}(M_2/M_1)$  is identified with  $H^{s,t-2p^2-2p+1}(BP_*)\{\bar{z}'_{2p^2+2p-1}\}$ . It follows from (2.23) and (3.10) that  $\delta: H^{0,2p^2+2p-1}(M_2/M_1) \rightarrow H^{1,2p^2+2p-1}(M_1)$  maps  $\bar{z}'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  to  $(p+2)\lambda\omega_{p+1}$ . From (2.11), (2.23) and (3.11), we obtain

**Lemma 3.12.** *If  $\lambda \in p\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ , we have  $H^{1,2p^2+2p-1}(M_2) = \mathbb{Z}/p\{\omega_{p+1}\}$ . Thus  $H^{1,2p^2+2p-1}(BP_*(K(p))) = \mathbb{Z}/p\{\omega_{p+1}\}$  and  $\omega_{p+1}$  represents a non-trivial element of  $\pi_{2p^2+2p-2}^S(K(p))$ .*

Let  $g: S^{2p^2+2p-2} \rightarrow K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2}$  denote the attaching map of the  $(2p^2+2p-1)$ -cell of  $K(p)$ . Consider a cofiber sequence  $S^{2p^2+2p-2} \xrightarrow{g}$

$K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2} \xrightarrow{\iota} K(p)^{2p^2+2p-1}$ . Since  $\wp^1(b_3 b_{2p+2}^{p-1}) = b_{2p+1} b_{2p+2}^{p-1}$  in  $H^*(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-1}; \mathbb{F}_p) = H^*(K(p); \mathbb{F}_p)/(b_3 b_{2p+1} b_{2p+2}^{p-1})$ ,  $K(p)^{2p^2+2p-1}$  can not be stably homotopy equivalent to  $K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2} \vee S^{2p^2+2p-1}$ . Hence  $g$  is stably non-trivial and generates  $\pi_{2p^2+2p-2}^S(K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2})$  ((2.19)).

Suppose that  $\lambda \in p\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  and let us denote by  $\omega_{p+1}$  the element of  $\pi_{2p^2+2p-2}^S(K(p))$  corresponding to  $\omega_{p+1} \in H^{1,2p^2+2p-1}(BP_*(K(p)))$ . There is a map  $\omega'_{p+1}: S^{2p^2+2p-2} \rightarrow K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2}$  such that  $\omega_{p+1}$  is a composition  $S^{2p^2+2p-2} \xrightarrow{\omega'_{p+1}} K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2} \hookrightarrow K(p)$ . By the preceding argument,  $\omega'_{p+1} = cg$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{Z}/p$ . However, since  $S^{2p^2+2p-2} \xrightarrow{g} K(p)^{2p^2+2p-2} \hookrightarrow K(p)$  is trivial, this contradicts the non-triviality of  $\omega_{p+1}$ . Thus  $\lambda$  is a unit in  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ , and  $\zeta = pz'_{2p^2+2p-1} + \lambda v_1^{p+1} z_{2p+1}$  generates a direct summand of  $BP_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p)) = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{z'_{2p^2+2p-1}, v_1^{p+1} z_{2p+1}, v_2 z_{2p+1}\}$ . Together with (1.18), (3.1), (3.5) and (3.8), we showed

**Proposition 3.13.** *For  $i \leq 4p^2 - 2$ , the BP-Hurewicz homomorphism  $h^{BP}: \pi_i(K(p)) \rightarrow BP_i(K(p))$  is an isomorphism if  $i = 3$ , a split monomorphism onto the set of primitive elements if  $i = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$  and otherwise a zero map.*

**Remark 3.14.** Put  $PBP_i(K(p)) = \{x \in BP_i(K(p)) \mid \psi(x) = 1 \otimes x\} = H^{0,t}(BP_*(K(p)))$ . Then, it follows from (2.24) and (3.11) that  $PBP_i(K(p)) = 0$  except for the following cases.

$$\begin{aligned} PBP_3(K(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{z_3\}, \\ PBP_{2p^2+2p-1}(K(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{\zeta\}, \\ PBP_{2i(p+1)+2j(p^2-1)+2}(K(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}/p\{v_2^j X_{2i(p+1)+2}\} \\ &\quad \text{for } 1 \leq i < p, j \geq 0, \\ PBP_{2p^2+2p+2}(K(p)) &= \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\{X_{2p^2+2p+2}\}. \end{aligned}$$

**4. The homology suspension.** Consider the Serre spectral sequence for mod  $p$  cohomology associated with the path fibration  $\Omega K(p) \rightarrow PK(p) \rightarrow K(p)$ .

$$(4.1) \quad E_2^{s,t} = H^s(K(p); H^t(\Omega K(p); \mathbb{F}_p)) \Rightarrow H^{s+t}(PK(p); \mathbb{F}_p)$$

There exists an element  $\bar{x}_2 \in H^2(\Omega K(p); \mathbb{F}_p) = E_3^{0,2}$  which maps to  $x_3 \in E_3^{3,0}$  by  $d_3$ . The transgression theorem implies that  $d_{2p+1}(\bar{x}_2) = x_{2p+1}$  and  $d_{2p+2}(x_3 \otimes \bar{x}_2^{p-1}) = x_{2p+2}$ .

**Lemma 4.2.**  $H^{2p+1}(\Omega K(p); F_p) = 0$ .

We apply the Eilenberg-Moore spectral sequence associated with the above fibration.

$$E_{s,t}^2 = \text{Cotor}_{s,t}^{H_*(K(p); F_p)}(F_p, F_p) \Rightarrow H_{s+t}(\Omega K(p); F_p)$$

The  $E^2$ -term is given by  $E^2 = F_p[a_2, a_{2p}, a_{2p^2+2p-2}] \otimes E(a_{2p+1})$ , where  $a_2 \in E_{-1,3}^2$ ,  $a_{2p} \in E_{-1,2p+1}^2$ ,  $a_{2p+1} \in E_{-1,2p+2}^2$  and  $a_{2p^2+2p-2} \in E_{-2,2p^2+2p}^2$  are the elements represented by  $[b_3]$ ,  $[b_{2p+1}]$ ,  $[b_{2p+2}]$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^{p-1} (1/p) \binom{p}{i} [b_{2p+2}^i | b_{2p+2}^{p-i}]$ , respectively, in the cobar complex  $\Omega_*(H_*(K(p); F_p))$ . Since  $H_{2p+1}(\Omega K(p); F_p) = 0$  by (4.2),  $a_{2p+1}$  should support a differential. The only possible differential is  $d_{p-1}(a_{2p+1}) = \nu a_2^p$  ( $\nu \in F_p$ ,  $\nu \neq 0$ ) for dimensional reasons. Hence  $E^p = E^\infty = F_p[a_2, a_{2p}, a_{2p^2+2p-2}]/(a_2^p)$  and the extension is trivial.

**Proposition 4.3.** (1)  $H_*(\Omega K(p); F_p) = F_p[a_2, a_{2p}, a_{2p^2+2p-2}]/(a_2^p)$ . Let  $\varphi$  be the  $\mathcal{A}_p$ -comodule structure map, then  $\varphi(a_{2p}) = 1 \otimes a_{2p} - t_1 \otimes a_2$ . (2) The homology suspension map  $\sigma_*: H_t(\Omega K(p); F_p) \rightarrow H_{t+1}(K(p); F_p)$  is given by  $\sigma_*(a_2) = b_3$ ,  $\sigma_*(a_{2p}) = b_{2p+1}$ ,  $\sigma_*(a_{2p^2+2p-2}) = 0$ .

The equality  $\varphi(a_{2p}) = 1 \otimes a_{2p} - t_1 \otimes a_2$  follows from the fact that  $a_2$  and  $a_{2p}$  are the duals of  $\bar{x}_2$  and  $\bar{x}_2^p$  and that  $\varphi^1(\bar{x}_2) = \bar{x}_2^p$  in  $H^*(\Omega K(p); F_p)$ . The last statement follows from  $d_3(\bar{x}_2) = x_3$  and  $d_{2p+1}(\bar{x}_2^p) = x_{2p+1}$  in (4.1).

Since  $H_t(\Omega K(p); F_p) = 0$  if  $t$  is odd, it follows from the Bockstein exact sequence that  $H_*(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)})$  is torsion free and that there are elements  $\tilde{a}_2$ ,  $\tilde{a}_{2p}$  and  $\tilde{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}$  of  $H_*(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)})$  such that  $\rho(\tilde{a}_i) = a_i$  ( $i = 2, 2p, 2p^2+2p-2$ ), where  $\rho$  is the mod  $p$  reduction map. Then we have  $H_*(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)}) = Z_{(p)}[\tilde{a}_2, \tilde{a}_{2p}, \tilde{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}]/(\tilde{a}_2^p - \kappa p \tilde{a}_{2p})$  for some  $\kappa \in Z_{(p)}$ .

Since  $H_*(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)})$  is torsion free, it has a structure of Hopf algebra. Let  $\Delta_*$  denote the diagonal map. We set  $\Delta_*(\tilde{a}_{2p}) = 1 \otimes \tilde{a}_{2p} + \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} l_i \tilde{a}_2^i \otimes \tilde{a}_2^{p-i} + \tilde{a}_{2p} \otimes 1$  for some  $l_i \in Z_{(p)}$ . On the other hand, we have  $\Delta_*(\tilde{a}_2^p) = \sum_{i=0}^p \binom{p}{i} \tilde{a}_2^i \otimes \tilde{a}_2^{p-i}$  for  $\tilde{a}_2$  is primitive. Applying  $\Delta_*$  to the both sides of  $\tilde{a}_2^p = \kappa p \tilde{a}_{2p}$ , we have  $l_i = (1/\kappa p) \binom{p}{i}$ , therefore

$$(4.4) \quad \Delta_*(\tilde{a}_{2p}) = 1 \otimes \tilde{a}_{2p} + \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \frac{1}{\kappa p} \binom{p}{i} \tilde{a}_2^i \otimes \tilde{a}_2^{p-i} + \tilde{a}_{2p} \otimes 1.$$

Let us denote by  $\langle \cdot \rangle: H_*(\Omega K(p); F_p) \otimes H^*(\Omega K(p); F_p) \rightarrow F_p$  the canonical pairing and by  $\Delta_*^{p-1}$  the  $(p-1)$ -fold diagonal map

$$\Delta_*^{p-1} = (\Delta_* \otimes \overbrace{1 \otimes \cdots \otimes 1}^{p-2 \text{ times}}) \cdots (\Delta_* \otimes 1 \otimes 1)(\Delta_* \otimes 1) \Delta_*.$$

Then,  $\langle \Delta_*^{p-1}(a_{2p}), \bar{x}_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \bar{x}_2 \rangle = \langle a_{2p}, \bar{x}_2^p \rangle = 1$  and by (4.4),

$$\Delta_*^{p-1}(a_{2p}) = \frac{(p-1)!}{\kappa} \overbrace{a_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_2}^{p \text{ times}} + \cdots.$$

Thus we have  $\kappa \equiv (p-1)! \equiv -1$  modulo  $p$  and we may replace  $-\kappa \tilde{a}_{2p}$  by  $\tilde{a}_{2p}$ .

**Proposition 4.5.**  $H_*(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)}) = Z_{(p)}[\tilde{a}_2, \tilde{a}_{2p}, \tilde{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}]/(\tilde{a}_2^p + p\tilde{a}_{2p})$  with  $\rho(\tilde{a}_i) = a_i$  ( $i = 2, 2p, 2p^2 + 2p - 2$ ), and  $\Delta_*(\tilde{a}_{2p}) = 1 \otimes \tilde{a}_{2p} - \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} (1/p) \binom{p}{i} \tilde{a}_2^i \otimes \tilde{a}_2^{p-i} + \tilde{a}_{2p} \otimes 1$ .

To determine the homology suspension  $\sigma_*: H_t(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)}) \rightarrow H_{t+1}(K(p); Z_{(p)})$ , we consider the Serre spectral sequence for  $Z_{(p)}$ -homology associated with the path fibration  $\Omega K(p) \rightarrow PK(p) \rightarrow K(p)$ ;  $E_{s,t}^2 = H_s(K(p); H_t(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)})) \Rightarrow H_{s+t}(PK(p); Z_{(p)})$ . The routine argument shows that the differentials are given as follows (See (1.12)).

$$\begin{aligned} d^3(z_3) &= \tilde{a}_2, \\ d^3(z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1}) &= \tilde{a}_2 z_{2i(p+1)-1} \quad (1 \leq i \leq p), \\ d^{2p-1}(z_{2(i+1)(p+1)-1}) &= \tilde{a}_2^{p-1} z_3 z_{2i(p+1)-1} \quad (1 \leq i \leq p-1), \\ d^{2p+1}(z_{2p+1}) &= \tilde{a}_{2p}, \\ d^{2p^2+2p-1}(p z_{2p^2+2p-1}) &= \tilde{a}_{2p^2+2p-1} \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $p z_{2p^2+2p-1}$  is transgressible though  $z_{2p^2+2p-1}$  is not.

**Proposition 4.6.** The homology suspension  $\sigma_*: H_t(\Omega K(p); Z_{(p)}) \rightarrow H_{t+1}(K(p); Z_{(p)})$  is given by  $\sigma_*(\tilde{a}_2) = z_3$ ,  $\sigma_*(\tilde{a}_{2p}) = z_{2p+1}$  and  $\sigma_*(\tilde{a}_{2p^2+2p-1}) = p z_{2p^2+2p-1}$ .

Consider the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence

$$E_{s,t}^2 = H_s(\Omega K(p); BP_t) \Rightarrow BP_{s+t}(\Omega K(p)).$$

It collapses for dimensional reason and  $E^\infty = BP_*[\tilde{a}_2, \tilde{a}_{2p}, \tilde{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}]/(\tilde{a}_2^p + p\tilde{a}_{2p})$ . Let  $\hat{a}_2$ ,  $\hat{a}_{2p}$  and  $\hat{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}$  be the elements of  $BP_*(\Omega K(p))$  corresponding to  $\tilde{a}_2$ ,  $\tilde{a}_{2p}$  and  $\tilde{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}$  in the  $E^\infty$ -term. There exists  $\tau \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  such that  $\hat{a}_2^p + p\hat{a}_{2p} = \tau v_1 \hat{a}_2$ . By (4.3), we have  $\psi(\hat{a}_{2p}) = 1 \otimes \hat{a}_{2p} - t_1 \otimes \hat{a}_2$ , where  $\psi: BP_*(\Omega K(p)) \rightarrow BP_*BP \otimes_{BP_*} BP_*(\Omega K(p))$  is the  $BP_*BP$ -comodule structure map. Then,  $\psi(\hat{a}_2^p + p\hat{a}_{2p}) = 1 \otimes \hat{a}_2^p + 1 \otimes p\hat{a}_{2p} - t_1 \otimes p\hat{a}_2$ . On the other hand,  $\psi(\tau v_1 \hat{a}_2) = \tau v_1 \otimes \hat{a}_2 = 1 \otimes \tau v_1 \hat{a}_2 - \tau t_1 \otimes p\hat{a}_2$ . Thus we have  $\tau = 1$ .

By the naturality of the Thom map, it follows from (1.18) that the homology suspension  $\sigma_*: \widetilde{BP}_*(\Omega K(p)) \rightarrow \widetilde{BP}_{*+1}(K(p))$  maps  $\sigma_*(\hat{a}_2) = z_3$ ,  $\sigma_*(\hat{a}_{2p}) = \nu z_{2p+1}$  and  $\sigma_*(\hat{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}) = z'_{2p^2+2p-1} + \mu_1 v_1^{p+1} z_{2p+1} + \mu_2 v_2 z_{2p+1}$  for some  $\nu, \mu_1, \mu_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ ,  $\nu \equiv 1$  modulo  $p$ .

**Proposition 4.7.**  $BP_*(\Omega K(p)) = BP_*[\hat{a}_2, \hat{a}_{2p}, \hat{a}_{2p^2+2p-2}]/(\hat{a}_2^p + p\hat{a}_{2p} - v_1 \hat{a}_2)$ ,  $T_{\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}}(\hat{a}_i) = \hat{a}_i$  for  $i = 2, 2p, 2p^2 + 2p - 2$ . The image of the homology suspension  $\sigma_*: \widetilde{BP}_*(\Omega K(p)) \rightarrow \widetilde{BP}_{*+1}(K(p))$  is a  $BP_*$ -submodule of  $BP_*(K(p))$  generated by  $z_3$ ,  $z_{2p+1}$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$ , that is, it coincides with  $\sum_{i \geq 0} BP_{2i+1}(K(p))$ .

If  $X$  is a topological space with a base point  $x_0$  and  $E_*(-)$  is a generalized homology theory, then the set of diagonal primitive elements is defined to be the kernel of the reduced diagonal map  $\tilde{\Delta}: E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(X \times X)$  which maps  $x \in E_*(X)$  to  $\Delta_*(x) - (i_{1*}(x) + i_{2*}(x))$ . Here  $\Delta: X \rightarrow X \times X$  denotes the diagonal map and  $i_1, i_2: X \rightarrow X \times X$  are the maps given by  $i_1(x) = (x, x_0)$ ,  $i_2(x) = (x_0, x)$ . Note that this definition does not depend on the choice of the base point if  $X$  is path connected.

Let us denote by  $P_d E_*(X)$  the set of diagonal primitive elements of  $E_*(X)$ . Then, it is known that  $P_d E_*(X)$  contains the image of the homology suspension  $\sigma_*: \tilde{E}_*(\Omega X) \rightarrow \tilde{E}_{*+1}(X)$  and if a map  $\eta: S^0 \rightarrow E$  is given,  $P_d E_*(X)$  also contains the image of the unstable Hurewicz homomorphism  $h^E: \pi_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(X)$ .

To show that  $P_d BP_*(K(p)) = \text{Im } \sigma_*$ , we consider a homology theory  $P(2)_*(-)$  with coefficient ring  $BP_*/(p, v_1)$ . (It is also denoted by  $BPI_{2*}(-)$ .) There are canonical maps of ring spectra  $T_2: BP \rightarrow P(2)$  and  $\rho_2: P(2) \rightarrow K(\mathbb{F}_p)$  such that  $T_2$  induces the natural projection  $BP_* \rightarrow BP_*/(p, v_1)$  of the coefficient rings and composition  $\rho_2 T_2$  coincides with the Thom map. It is also known that  $\rho_{2*}: H_*(P(2); \mathbb{F}_p) \rightarrow H_*(K(\mathbb{F}_p); \mathbb{F}_p) = \mathcal{A}_{p*}$  is an injection onto  $E(s_0, s_1) \otimes \mathbb{F}_p[t_1, t_2, \dots]$ .

We apply the Adams spectral sequence (1.4) for  $E = P(2)$ ,  $X = K(p)$ .

$$(4.8) \quad E_2^{s,t} = \text{Ext}_{E(s_2, s_3, \dots)}^{s,t}(F_p, H_*(K(p); F_p)) \Rightarrow P(2)_{t-s}(K(p))$$

It follows from (1.9) that every element of  $H_*(K(p); F_p)$  is primitive as an  $E(s_2, s_3, \dots)$ -comodule, thus  $E_2 = F_p[\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \dots] \otimes H_*(K(p); F_p)$ . Therefore this spectral sequence collapses for dimensional reason. Note that  $T_2*: BP_*(K(p)) \rightarrow P(2)_*(K(p))$  induces morphism of the spectral sequences from (1.6) to (4.8), and that, as in (1.7), the maps between the  $E_2$ -terms coincides with the maps induced by the natural projection  $E(s_0, s_1, \dots) \rightarrow E(s_2, s_3, \dots)$ . We obtain an analog of (1.18).

**Proposition 4.9.**  $P(2)_*(K(p)) = BP_*/(p, v_1) \otimes E(b_3, b_{2p+1}) \otimes F_p[b_{2p+2}]/(b_{2p+2}^p)$  and  $T_2*: BP_*(K(p)) \rightarrow P(2)_*(K(p))$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} T_2*(X_{2i(p+1)+2}) &= b_3 b_{2p+1} b_{2p+2}^{i-1} \quad (1 \leq i \leq p), \\ T_2*(z_3) &= b_3, \\ T_2*(z_{2p+1}) &= b_{2p+1}, \\ T_2*(z'_{2p^2+2p-1}) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,  $\rho_2*: P(2)_*(K(p)) \rightarrow H_*(K(p); F_p)$  maps  $b_i$  to  $b_i$ .

The above result implies that  $P(2)_*(K(p))$  is a free  $BP_*/(p, v_1)$ -module, thus it has a structure of Hopf algebra. Hence  $\rho_2*: P(2)_*(K(p)) \rightarrow H_*(K(p); F_p)$  is a map of a Hopf algebras, and  $b_i$  ( $i = 3, 2p+1, 2p+2$ ) are primitive. If  $cX_{2i(p+1)+2} \in L_i \cap P_d BP_*(K(p))$  ( $c \in BP_*/(p, v_1)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq p-1$ ), then  $T_2*(cX_{2i(p+1)+2}) \in P_d P(2)_*(K(p))$ . On the other hand,  $T_2*(cX_{2i(p+1)+2}) = cb_3 b_{2p+1} b_{2p+2}^{i-1}$ , which is not diagonal primitive unless  $c = 0$ .

**Lemma 4.10.**

$$L_i \cap P_d BP_*(K(p)) = 0 \quad \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq p-1.$$

Consider the canonical map  $BP_*(K(p)) \rightarrow BP_*(K(p)) \otimes Q$  instead of  $T_2*$ . Since  $X_{2p^2+2p+2} = p^{-1} z_3 z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  in  $BP_*(K(p)) \otimes Q$  ((1.19)) and both  $z_3$  and  $z'_{2p^2+2p-1}$  are primitive, the similar argument shows

**Lemma 4.11.**

$$L_p \cap P_d BP_*(K(p)) = 0.$$

Suppose that there exists a non-zero element  $x$  of  $P_d BP_*(K(p))$  of even degree, say  $2n$ . Then  $x = \sum_{i=1}^p c_i X_{2i(p+1)+2}$  for some  $c_i \in BP_{2n-2i(p+1)-2}$  and it follows from (4.10) and (4.11) that  $c_i \neq 0$  for at least two  $i$ 's. If  $c_j \neq 0$  and  $c_k \neq 0$  ( $1 \leq j < k \leq p$ ),  $2n - 2j(p+1) - 2 = 2l(p-1)$  and  $2n - 2k(p+1) - 2 = 2m(p-1)$  for some integers  $l, m$ . Hence we have  $(k-j)(p+1) = (l-m)(p-1)$  and this implies that  $j = 1$  and  $k = p$ . Thus  $x = c_1 X_{2p+4} + c_p X_{2p^2+2p+2}$ . Since  $X_{2p+4}$  is a  $p$ -torsion element, we have  $px = pc_p X_{2p^2+2p+2} \in L_p \cap P_d BP_*(K(p))$ , hence  $pc_p X_{2p^2+2p+2} = 0$  by (4.11). But  $X_{2p^2+2p+2}$  is torsion free, this contradicts  $c_p \neq 0$ . Therefore we have shown  $P_d BP_*(K(p)) \cap \sum_{i \geq 0} BP_{2i}(K(p)) = 0$  and by (4.7), this implies the following result.

**Proposition 4.12.**

$$P_d BP_*(K(p)) = \text{Im} \{ \sigma_*: \widetilde{BP}_*(\Omega K(p)) \rightarrow \widetilde{BP}_{*+1}(K(p)) \}.$$

By (3.14) and (4.7), we have  $P_d BP_*(K(p)) \cap PBP_*(K(p)) = Z_{(p)} \{z_3, \zeta\}$ . The left hand side contains the Hurewicz image and we already showed that the Hurewicz image contains the right hand side. This implies  $\text{Im} \{ h^{BP}: \pi_*(K(p)) \rightarrow BP_*(K(p)) \} = Z_{(p)} \{z_3, \zeta\}$ . Finally we obtain

**Theorem 4.13.** *The BP-Hurewicz homomorphism  $h^{BP}: \pi_i(K(p)) \rightarrow BP_i(K(p))$  is an isomorphism if  $i = 3$ , a split monomorphism onto the set of primitive elements if  $i = 2p^2 + 2p - 1$  and otherwise a zero map.*

**Remark 4.14.** If we apply  $T_2^*$  to the both sides of a relation  $z_3 z'_{2p^2+2p-1} = pX_{2p^2+2p+2} + \gamma v_2 X_{2p+4}$  ((1.19)), it follows that  $\gamma \equiv 0$  modulo  $p$ . Since  $X_{2p+4}$  is a  $p$ -torsion element, we have  $z_3 z'_{2p^2+2p-1} = pX_{2p^2+2p+2}$  in  $BP_*(K(p))$ .

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