

DYER-LASHOF OPERATIONS FOR CERTAIN INFINITE LOOP SPACES

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§1. Results (with notation in §2.)

1. Let  $X = BU \times Z$ . Consider  $H_*(X; Z_p) = Z_p[a_0, a_0^{-1}, a_1, \dots]$ ,

$\deg a_i = 2i$ , for an arbitrary odd prime  $p$ .

$$Q^m(a_k) = \sum C_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} a_{n_1} a_{n_2} \dots a_{n_p},$$

where  $n_1 + \dots + n_p = k + m(p - 1)$ ,  $n_1 \geq n_2 \geq \dots \geq n_p$ .

The coefficients  $C_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m}$  are defined as the (unique) solution

of the system of equations:

$$\sum_{\nu=0}^{[k/p]} \binom{k - \nu(p-1)}{\nu} C_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k - \nu(p-1), m + \nu} = (-1)^m B_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m}, \dots (1.1)$$

where

$$B_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_p / H} A_{n_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, n_{\sigma(p)}}^{k, m},$$

( $H$  is the stabilizer of  $\{n_1, \dots, n_p\}$ )

$A_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m}$  = the coefficient of  $X^{m(p-1)}$  in the polynomial

$$(1 + X)^{n_1} (1 + 2X)^{n_2} \dots (1 + (p-1)X)^{n_{p-1}}.$$

The equation can be solved in some special cases. Set

$$k = k'(p - 1) - \alpha, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < p - 1.$$

i) In case  $k' \leq p$ : 
$$C_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} = \sum_{j=1}^{k'} (-1)^{m+k'-j} \binom{k'+\alpha-1}{k'-j} B_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{j(p-1)-\alpha, m+k'-j}.$$

ii) In case  $k' = p + 1$ : 
$$C_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} = \sum_{j=2}^{k'} \text{(same as above).}$$

iii) In case there is a number  $n$  such that 
$$\sum_{i=1}^p (n_i - n) < p - 1,$$

$$n_i \geq n,$$

$$(-1)^{m+k, m} B_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} = \#(\mathbb{G}_p/H) \binom{n}{m},$$

and hence 
$$C_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} = \#(\mathbb{G}_p/H) \binom{n-k-1}{n-m},$$
 applying Th. 25.3 of Adem.

iv) In case there is a number  $n$  such that  $n_1 = n_2 = \dots = n_{p-1} = n,$

$$n_p = n - 1, \quad C_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} = \binom{n-k-2}{n-m}.$$

As for the remaining generator  $a_0^{-1}$ :

$$Q^m(a_0^{-1}) = \sum (-1)^\lambda \binom{\lambda}{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m} (Q^1(a_0))^{\lambda_1} \dots (Q^m(a_0))^{\lambda_m} a_0^{-p(\lambda+1)},$$

where  $\sum i\lambda_i = m, \quad \lambda = \sum \lambda_i.$

2. Let  $X = K(\pi, n)$  : the Eilenberg-MacLane space for an arbitrary finitely generated abelian group  $\pi$ , and  $n \geq 1$ .

For any prime  $p$ , the Dyer-Lashof operations on  $H_*(K(\pi, n); \mathbb{Z}_p)$

are trivial, except that  $Q^0(1) = 1$ .

§2. Proofs of 1. :  $X = BU \times Z$  .

In [1], S. Priddy has computed the Dyer-Lashof operations on  $H_*(BU \times Z; Z_2)$ . We shall adapt his methods to the mod  $p$  case for an arbitrary odd prime  $p$ , and obtain some results.

For the necessary background literature on infinite loop spaces and Dyer-Lashof operations, we refer to J. P. May's papers [2], [4].

It is known that

$$H_*(BU \times Z) = Z_p[a_0, a_0^{-1}, a_1, a_2, \dots]$$

and that the generator  $a_i$  comes from the generator  $e_{2i}$  of  $H_*(BZ_p)$ ,

( $Z_p$  is regarded as the subgroup of  $U_1$ , with generator  $a = e^{2\pi i/p}$ )

which is the dual of  $y_2^i \in H^*(BZ_p) = \bigwedge(y_1) \otimes Z_p[y_2]$ .

According to [1] the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 B(Z_p \wr Z_p) & \longrightarrow & B(\mathcal{S}_p \wr U_1) & \xrightarrow{Bj} & BU_p \\
 \parallel & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 WZ_p \times_{Z_p} (BZ_p)^P & \longrightarrow & W\mathcal{S}_p \times_{\mathcal{S}_p} (BU_1)^P & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & W\mathcal{S}_p \times_{\mathcal{S}_p} (BU \times Z)^P & \xrightarrow{\theta} & BU \times Z
 \end{array}$$

is homotopy commutative, where  $j$  is the inclusion of the wreath product

and  $\theta$  is the Dyer-Lashof map.

Consider the following commutative diagram of group homomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p & \xrightarrow{1 \times \Delta^P} & \mathbb{Z}_p \wr \mathbb{Z}_p & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{G}_p \wr U_1 & \xrightarrow{j} & U_p \\
 \downarrow 1 \times \Delta^P & & & & & & \downarrow P(\cdot)^{p-1} \\
 \mathbb{Z}_p \times (\underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_p \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_p}_p) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_p \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_p}_p & \hookrightarrow & \underbrace{U_1 \times \dots \times U_1}_p & \xrightarrow{m} & U_p
 \end{array}$$

where

$$\varphi(a; b_1, \dots, b_p) = (ab_1, a^2b_2, \dots, a^pb_p)$$

(group multiplications of the cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ )

$m$  = juxtaposition of matrices

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p}} \begin{pmatrix} a^{ij} \\ 1 \leq i \leq p \\ 1 \leq j \leq p \end{pmatrix}, \quad (a = e^{2\pi i/p}),$$

(note that  $P^{-1} = \overline{P}$ ).

We now apply  $H_*B(\cdot)$  to the diagram, and compute the images of

the element  $e_{2m(p-1)} \otimes e_{2k} \in H_*(B\mathbb{Z}_p \times B\mathbb{Z}_p)$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 e_{2m(p-1)} \otimes e_{2k} & \xrightarrow{B(1 \times \Delta^P)_*} & \sum_{\nu} (-1)^{\nu+k} \binom{k-\nu(p-1)}{\nu} e_{2(m+p\nu-k)(p-1)} \otimes e_{2k-2\nu(p-1)}^p \\
 \downarrow B(1 \times \Delta^P)_* & (1) & \downarrow B j_* \\
 \sum_{i_1 + \dots + i_p = k} e_{2m(p-1)} \otimes e_{2i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{2i_p} & (2) & (-1)^m \sum_{\nu} \binom{k-\nu(p-1)}{\nu} Q^{m+\nu} (a_{k-\nu(p-1)}) \\
 \downarrow m_* \varphi_* & (3) & \downarrow \text{id.} \\
 \sum_{i_1 + \dots + i_p = k} \sum_{j_1 + \dots + j_{p-1} = m(p-1)} & (4) & \sum_{j_2 \dots (p-1)}^{j_{p-1}} (j_{1+i_1} \dots (j_{p-1+i_{p-1}}) \\
 & & a_{j_1+i_1} \dots a_{j_{p-1}+i_{p-1}} a_{i_p}
 \end{array}$$

(proofs): (1) is referred to Lemma 4.6 of [3].

(2) is obtained from the definition of  $Q^m$ . (see [3].)

(3) and (4) are proved by investigating the duality. In fact,

$$\langle y_1^{\varepsilon_1} y_2^{i_1} \otimes y_1^{\varepsilon_2} y_2^{i_2}, \Delta_*(e_{2k}) \rangle = \langle y_1^{\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2} y_2^{i_1 + i_2}, e_{2k} \rangle$$

$$= 1 \text{ iff } \varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = 0, \quad i_1 + i_2 = k,$$

$$\text{and hence } \Delta_*(e_{2k}) = \sum_{i_1 + i_2 = k} e_{2i_1} \otimes e_{2i_2};$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle y_2^{k_1 + k_2}, \mu_*(e_{2k_1} \otimes e_{2k_2}) \rangle \\ &= \langle (y_2 \otimes 1 + \lambda y_1 \otimes y_1 + 1 \otimes y_2)^{k_1 + k_2}, e_{2k_1} \otimes e_{2k_2} \rangle = \binom{k_1 + k_2}{k_1}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and hence } \mu_*(e_{2k_1} \otimes e_{2k_2}) = \binom{k_1 + k_2}{k_1} e_{2k_1 + 2k_2}.$$

$$\text{Note that } \varphi = (\varphi_1 \times \dots \times \varphi_p) \circ T \circ (\Delta^{p \times 1}),$$

where  $T$  is the shuffling map and  $\varphi_\nu = \mu^\nu(s_\nu \times 1)$  with  $s_\nu = \mu^\nu \circ \Delta^\nu: a \mapsto a^\nu$ .

We see that

$$\begin{aligned} s_{\nu^*}(e_{2j}) &= (\mu^\nu)_* \sum_{k_1 + \dots + k_\nu = j} e_{2k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{2k_\nu} \\ &= \sum_{k_1 + \dots + k_\nu = j} \binom{k_1 + \dots + k_\nu}{k_1, \dots, k_\nu} e_{2j} \\ &= \underbrace{(1 + \dots + 1)}_{\nu}^j e_{2j} = \nu^j e_{2j}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and hence } & \varphi_*(e_{2i_1} \otimes e_{2i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{2i_p}) \\ &= \sum_{j_1 + \dots + j_p = n} 1^{j_1} 2^{j_2} \dots p^{j_p} \binom{j_1 + i_1}{i_1} \dots \binom{j_p + i_p}{i_p} e_{2j_1 + 2i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{2j_p + 2i_p}. \end{aligned}$$

From the preceding diagram we have

$$\sum_{\nu} \binom{k-\nu(p-1)}{\nu} Q^{m+\nu} (a_{k-\nu(p-1)}) = (-1)^m \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_p} B_{n_1, \dots, n_p}^{k, m} a_{n_1} \cdots a_{n_p},$$

and (1.1) follows.

Note that the solution of the equation (1.1) is determined uniquely, since the left hand side is of the form  $C^{k, m} + (k: \text{lower})$ , and the right hand side is known.

(1.1) can be solved only in some special cases.

First, we get i) and ii), using

Lemma. If  $i < p$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < p-1$ , then

$$\binom{j(p-1)-\alpha}{i} = (-1)^i {}_{i+1}H_{j+\alpha-1} = (-1)^i \binom{i+j+\alpha-1}{j+\alpha-1} \pmod{p}.$$

(this is proved by considering the power series  $(1+X)^{jp-(j+\alpha)}$ )

and the fact that

$$c_k = \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k+\alpha-1}{k-j} a_j \text{ is the solution of } \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} (-1)^i \binom{k+\alpha-1}{i} c_{k-i} = a_k.$$

Secondly, in view of  $(1+X) \cdots (1+(p-1)X) = 1 - X^{p-1} \pmod{p}$ ,

$A^{k, m}$  are expressed by some binomial coefficients in cases iii) and iv),

and in these cases  $C^{k, m}$  are computed by using some formulas of binomial

coefficients. Th. 25.3 of Adem is referred to [1].

Computation of  $Q^m(a_0^{-1})$  is same as in [1]. In fact, we get from the Cartan formula in  $H_*(QS^0)$ ,

$$Q^n([-1]) = \sum_{\sum i \lambda_i = n} (-1)^{\lambda} (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) (Q^1[1])^{\lambda_1} \dots (Q^n[1])^{\lambda_n} [-1]^{p(\lambda+1)}$$

in  $H_*(QS^0)$ , and the result follows.

Note that

$$Q^m(a_0) = (-1)^m \sum_{n_1 + \dots + n_{p-1} = m(p-1)} 2^{n_2} \dots (p-1)^{n_{p-1}} a_{n_1} \dots a_{n_{p-1}} a_0,$$

by i).

### §3. Proof of 2. : $X = K(\pi, n)$ .

Remark 3.1. The Dyer-Lashof map

$$\theta: WZ_p \times_{Z_p} (K(\pi, n))^P \longrightarrow K(\pi, n)$$

always represents an element of  $H^n(WZ_p \times_{Z_p} (K(\pi, n))^P; \pi)$ .

On the other hand, the properties of  $\theta$ :

i)  $\theta|_{(WZ_p)^0 \times_{Z_p} X^P}: X^P \longrightarrow X$  is equal to the p-ple product map of the

H-space  $X$  (see [6]),

ii)  $\theta_*(e_m \circledast \underbrace{1 \circledast \dots \circledast 1}_p) = 0$  in  $H_m(X; Z_p)$ , for any  $m \geq 1$  (see [2]),

show that

$$\theta_*: H_i(WZ_p \times_{Z_p} (K(\pi, n))^P; Z) \longrightarrow H_i(K(\pi, n); Z)$$

is uniquely determined for  $i = n$ .

Hence the universal coefficient theorem shows that  $\theta$  is unique as an element of  $H^n(WZ_p \times_{Z_p} (K(\pi, n))^P; \pi)$ .

Since  $\theta$  is unique, the Dyer-Lashof operations on the homology of  $K(\pi + \pi', n) = K(\pi, n) \times K(\pi', n)$  can be regarded as the tensor product of those on the direct summands  $H_*(K(\pi, n))$ ,  $H_*(K(\pi', n))$ .

So it suffices to consider the Dyer-Lashof operations on  $H_*(K(Z_p^h, n); Z_p)$  and  $H_*(K(Z, n); Z_p)$  ( $p$ : prime,  $h, n \geq 1$ ).

Lemma 3.2. Let  $H^* = \bigwedge (x_\alpha; \alpha \in A) \otimes Z_p [y_\beta; \beta \in B]$  be an algebra over  $Z_p$ , of locally finite type, and with product map  $\Delta^*$ . Then in its dual coalgebra  $(H_*, \Delta_*)$ , an element is primitive (i.e.,  $\Delta_*(z) = z \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes z$ ) if and only if it is a linear combination of elements  $\{(x_\alpha)^*, (y_\beta)^*\}$ .

Proof. Let  $s \binom{i_1}{\alpha_1} \binom{i_2}{\alpha_2} \dots \binom{j_1}{\beta_1} \binom{j_2}{\beta_2} \dots$  be the dual basis of  $x_{\alpha_1}^{i_1} x_{\alpha_2}^{i_2} \dots y_{\beta_1}^{j_1} y_{\beta_2}^{j_2} \dots$ . Then

$$\Delta_*(s \binom{i_1}{\alpha_1} \dots \binom{j_1}{\beta_1} \dots) = \sum_{\substack{i_1'' + i_1' = i_1 \\ \vdots \\ j_1'' + j_1' = j_1 \\ \vdots}} s \binom{i_1'}{\alpha_1} \dots \binom{j_1'}{\beta_1} \dots \otimes s \binom{i_1''}{\alpha_1} \dots \binom{j_1''}{\beta_1} \dots,$$

and the primitive elements are determined as above.



We shall use the Cartan formula for the coproduct  $\Delta_*$ :

$$\Delta_* Q^r(x) = \sum_i \sum_j Q^i(x') \otimes Q^{r-i}(x'') \quad (\text{if } \Delta_*(x) = \sum x' \otimes x'') \quad \dots (3.3)$$

and the Nishida relations:

$$Sq_*^s \circ Q^r = \sum_i \binom{r-s}{s-2i} Q^{r-s+i} \circ Sq_*^i \quad (p = 2) \quad \dots (3.4)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_*^s \circ Q^r &= \sum_i (-1)^{i+s} \binom{r-s}{s-pi} Q^{r-s+i} \circ \mathcal{P}_*^i \\ \mathcal{P}_*^s \circ \beta_* \circ Q^r &= \sum_i (-1)^{i+s} \binom{r-s}{s-pi} \beta_* \circ Q^{r-s+i} \circ \mathcal{P}_*^i \\ &\quad + \sum_i (-1)^{i+s} \binom{r-s}{s-pi-1} Q^{r-s+i} \circ \mathcal{P}_*^i \circ \beta_* \end{aligned} \right\} (p: \text{ odd}) \dots (3.5)$$

(see [7]).

As for the structure of the cohomology of  $K(\pi, n)$ , we refer to [8] and [9]. In any case, Lemma 3.2 always applies to the cohomology group of our consideration.

Proposition 3.6. In  $H_*(K(Z_{2^h}, n); Z_2)$ ,  $Q^r(x) = 0$ , except  $Q^0(1) = 1$ .

Proof. We shall prove this by induction on the degree.

Take a homogeneous element  $x$ . By the induction hypothesis,

$$\|y\| < \|x\| \Rightarrow Q^r(y) = 0 \quad \text{for any } r, \text{ except that } Q^0(1) = 1.$$

Then the Cartan formula (3.3) implies that  $\Delta_* Q^r(x) = Q^r(x) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes Q^r(x)$ ,

i.e.,  $Q^r(x)$  is primitive.

Hence by Lemma 3.2, it suffices to show that  $\langle \text{Sq}_h^I(\mathcal{L}_n), Q^r(x) \rangle = 0$ ,

where  $d(I) + n = r + \|x\|$ . (see [8].)

Write  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_t)$ . If  $i_t > 1$ , put  $I' = I$  and  $v = \mathcal{L}_n$ , then  $\text{Sq}_h^I = \text{Sq}_h^{I'}$ . If  $i_t = 1$ , put  $I' = (i_1, \dots, i_{t-1})$  and  $v = \beta_h(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_n)$ , then  $\text{Sq}_h^I(\mathcal{L}_n) = \text{Sq}_h^{I'}(v)$ . ( $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_n$  is the fundamental class in  $H^n(K(Z_{2^h}^n); Z_{2^h})$  and  $\beta_h$  is the Bockstein homomorphism.)

Note that  $\langle \text{Sq}_h^I(\mathcal{L}_n), Q^r(x) \rangle = \langle v, \text{Sq}_*^{I'} \circ Q^r(x) \rangle$ .

Now we use the Nishida relation (3.4). By the induction hypothesis,

$Q^{r-s+i}(\text{Sq}_*^i(x)) = 0$  if  $i > 0$ . Hence

$$\text{Sq}_*^{I'} \circ Q^r(x) = \binom{r-i_1}{i_1} \binom{r-i_1-i_2}{i_2} \dots \binom{r-d(I')}{i_t \text{ or } i_{t-1}} Q^{r-d(I')}(x).$$

Recall  $r-d(I') = n - \|x\| + (d(I) - d(I')) \leq n+1 - \|x\|$ .

Since  $\|x\| \geq n$  and  $Q^r(x) = 0$  if  $r < \|x\|$ ,

$$\text{Sq}_*^{I'} \circ Q^r(x) = 0 \text{ unless } \|x\| = n = 1, r-d(I') = i_t = 1.$$

Hence it suffices to show that

$$\langle \beta_h(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1), Q^1(u_1) \rangle = 0. \quad (u_1 \text{ is the fundamental homology class.})$$

In fact,  $\langle \beta_h(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1), Q^1(u_1) \rangle = \langle \beta_h(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1), u_1^2 \rangle = \langle \mu^*(\beta_h(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1)), u_1 \circ u_1 \rangle$

$$= \langle (\beta_h \circ \rho + \rho \circ \beta_h) \circ \mu^*(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1), u_1 \circ u_1 \rangle = \langle \beta_h(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \beta_h(\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1), u_1 \circ u_1 \rangle$$

= 0, by virtue of Lemma 3.7 below.

Thus we have shown  $Q^r(x) = 0$ , and the proposition is proved by induction.

Lemma 3.7. The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H^1(X; Z_{2^h}) & \xrightarrow{\beta_h} & H^2(X; Z_2) \\
 \mu_* \downarrow & & \downarrow \mu_* \\
 H^1(X \times X; Z_{2^h}) & \xrightarrow{\beta_h} & H^2(X \times X; Z_2) \\
 \kappa \uparrow & & \uparrow \kappa \\
 \sum_{i_1+i_2=1} H^{i_1}(X; Z_{2^h}) \otimes H^{i_2}(X; Z_{2^h}) & \xrightarrow{\beta_h \circ \rho + \rho \circ \beta_h} & \sum_{j_1+j_2=2} H^{j_1}(X; Z_2) \otimes H^{j_2}(X; Z_2)
 \end{array}$$

is commutative, where  $\rho =$  reduction mod 2,  $\beta_h =$  Bockstein homomorphism,

$\kappa =$  the cross product.

Proof. This follows from the commutativity of the following diagrams:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C^*(X; Z_2) \otimes C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \rho} & C^*(X; Z_2) \otimes C^*(X; Z_2) & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & C^*(X; Z_2) \\
 i_* \otimes 1 \downarrow & & & & \downarrow i_* \\
 C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) \otimes C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & & & C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}})
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) \otimes C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) & & \\
 \delta \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \delta \uparrow & & \delta \uparrow & & \\
 C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) \otimes C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & C^*(X; Z_{2^{h+1}}) & & \\
 j_* \otimes j_* \downarrow & & j_* \downarrow & & \\
 C^*(X; Z_{2^h}) \otimes C^*(X; Z_{2^h}) & \xrightarrow{\kappa} & C^*(X; Z_{2^h}) & & .
 \end{array}$$

Proposition 3.8. In  $H_*(K(Z_{p^h}^n); Z_p)$ ,  $p$ : odd,  $Q^r(x) = 0$ , except

$$Q^0(1) = 1.$$

Proof. This is entirely same as 3.6. In fact:

it suffices to prove  $\langle \rho_h^I(z_n), Q^r(x) \rangle = 0$ , with  $d(I) + n = 2r(p-1) + \|x\|$ .

Write  $I = (\varepsilon_0, i_1, \varepsilon_1, \dots, i_t, \varepsilon_t)$  and put  $I' = I - (\varepsilon_t)$ .

The Nishida relation (3.5) and the induction hypothesis show that

$$\rho_*^{I'} \circ Q^r(x) = \lambda \beta_*^{\varepsilon_{t-1}} \dots \beta_*^{\varepsilon_0} \circ Q^{r-i_1-\dots-i_t}(x), \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_p.$$

Note that  $r-i_1-\dots-i_t = \frac{n-\|x\|+\sum \varepsilon_j}{2(p-1)}$ . If  $\varepsilon_0+\dots+\varepsilon_{t-1} > 1$ , then

$$\beta_*^{\varepsilon_{t-1}} \dots \beta_*^{\varepsilon_0} = 0. \quad \text{If } \varepsilon_0+\dots+\varepsilon_{t-1} \leq 1, \text{ then } r-i_1-\dots-i_t \leq 2/2(p-1),$$

and hence  $\leq 0$ , thus  $Q^{r-i_1-\dots-i_t}(x) = 0$ .

Thus  $\langle \rho_h^I(\mathbb{Z}_n), Q^r(x) \rangle$  is always shown to be zero.

Proposition 3.9. In  $H_*(K(\mathbb{Z}, n); \mathbb{Z}_p)$ ,  $p$ : any prime,  $Q^r(x) = 0$ ,

except  $Q^0(1) = 1$ .

Proof. This is now obvious, by the proof of 3.6 and 3.8.

Now we complete the proof 2., combining 3.1 and 3.6~3.9.

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