

Odd primary Steenrod algebra, additive formal group laws, and modular invariants

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Abstract. We give a conceptual clarification of Milnor's theorem, which tells us the Hopf algebra structure of the stable co-operations H_*H in the odd primary ordinary cohomology. Directly connecting H_*H with the quasi-strict automorphism group of some 1-dimensional additive formal group law and modular invariants, we give a new proof of this theorem of Milnor.

1. Introduction.

Suppose that p is an odd prime, and that H is the mod p Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum. Let \mathcal{F}^* be the free associative graded algebra generated by the symbols β, P^1, P^2, \dots . Let S^* be the quotient algebra of \mathcal{F}^* modulo the Adem relations. The Cartan formula gives a coalgebra structure of S^* . Therefore S^* is a Hopf algebra, and it is called the Steenrod algebra. As usual, we regard β, P^1, P^2, \dots as elements in the stable operations H^*H . Then it is well known that S^* is isomorphic to H^*H as a Hopf algebra. Milnor [7] showed that S_* , the dual Hopf algebra of S^* , is isomorphic to the Hopf algebra $E(\tau_0, \tau_1, \dots) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots]$ whose coproduct is given by

$$\tau_n \mapsto \tau_n \otimes 1 + \sum_{i=0}^n \xi_{n-i}^{p^i} \otimes \tau_i, \quad \xi_n \mapsto \sum_{i=0}^n \xi_{n-i}^{p^i} \otimes \xi_i.$$

This induces the Hopf algebra structure of the stable co-operations H_*H .

Our aim is to reinforce and clarify this theorem of Milnor by introducing the quasi-strict automorphism group of a 1-dimensional additive formal group law and modular invariants. Our argument consists of two steps.

In the first step, we consider two functors $\text{Op}(-)$ and $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ on the category of non-negative graded commutative algebras over \mathbf{F}_p . The functor $\text{Op}(-)$ assigns $\text{Op}(R_*)$, the set of all multiplicative operations

$$H^*(-) \longrightarrow H^*(-) \otimes R_*$$

which satisfy certain properties, to each R_* , a non-negatively graded commutative algebra over \mathbf{F}_p . The functor $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ assigns $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*)$, the set of all quasi-strict

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that $N(\text{id}_{H_*H})$ is injective. Furthermore by the old work of Cartan [2], [3], the Poincaré series of A_* and that of H_*H are the same. Therefore $N(\text{id}_{H_*H})$ is an isomorphism. This leads us to the Hopf algebra structure of H_*H , for we can easily obtain the Hopf algebra structure of A_* .

In [6], we showed a similar result in the mod 2 case, which tells us the Hopf algebra structure of the stable co-operations $H\mathbf{Z}/2_*H\mathbf{Z}/2$ in the mod 2 ordinary cohomology by using the strict automorphism group of a 1-dimensional additive formal group law and modular invariants. The approach in this paper is similar to the one we used in [6]. However there is a difference. The strict automorphism group of the 1-dimensional additive formal group law over R_* plays an important role in [6], whereas the quasi-strict one over $R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$ does it in this paper. The usage of the strict one over R_* in this paper determine the polynomial part $\mathbf{F}_p[\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots]$ of H_*H only.

This paper is divided into five sections and an appendix. In Section 2, we introduce the notion of multiplicative operations. We define a multiplicative operation ψ with good properties, which induces the natural isomorphism λ . In Section 3, we recall the definition of reduced power operations [10] and Mui's results [8], [9], and introduce the multiplicative operation S_n by using these results. In Section 4, we study $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ and obtain the natural isomorphism T . In Section 5, we define the natural transformation F which relates $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ with $\text{Op}(-)$, and then we show the main theorem (Theorem 5.2). In Appendix A, we define higher dimensional graded formal group laws and homomorphisms. Especially we study a certain 2-dimensional graded additive formal group law G_a and the quasi-strict automorphism group of G_a . Then we prove the main theorem by the usage of the quasi-strict automorphism group of G_a instead of $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$.

Throughout this paper, we use the following notations. Suppose that X and Y are spaces, and that p is an odd prime. We denote the mod p cohomology by $H^*(-)$. Let e_1, \dots, e_n be the standard basis of $(\mathbf{Z}/p)^n$. Let

$$\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \in H^1(B(\mathbf{Z}/p)^n) = \text{Hom}((\mathbf{Z}/p)^n, \mathbf{Z}/p)$$

be the dual of e_1, \dots, e_n . Put $x_i = \beta\epsilon_i$, where β is the Bockstein homomorphism. Then we have

$$H^*(B(\mathbf{Z}/p)^n) = E(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n].$$

Any graded \mathbf{F}_p -algebra R_* is supposed to be non-negatively graded and commutative, that is to say, $R_n = 0$ for $n < 0$, and $a \cdot b = (-1)^{\text{deg } a \cdot \text{deg } b} b \cdot a$.

We set degree as follows. For an element x in $H^n(X)$, we define the degree of x by $\text{deg } x = n$. For a graded \mathbf{F}_p -algebra R_* and $r \in R_m$, we define the degree of r by $\text{deg } r = -m$. Therefore $x \otimes r \in H^*(X) \otimes R_*$ is of degree $n - m$.

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2. Multiplicative operations.

We now define multiplicative operations in a way similar to Definition 2.1 in [6].

DEFINITION 2.1. Let R_* be a graded \mathbf{F}_p -algebra. Consider the graded module whose degree k -part is $\prod_{n \geq 0} H^{k+n}(X) \otimes R_n$. By abuse of notation, we denote it by $H^*(X) \otimes R_*$. A natural operation $\gamma : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes R_*$ which preserves degree is said to be *multiplicative* if γ satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) The following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H^*(X) \otimes H^*(Y) & \xrightarrow{\quad \times \quad} & H^*(X \times Y) \\
 \gamma \otimes \gamma \downarrow & & \downarrow \gamma \\
 H^*(X) \otimes R_* & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1} & H^*(X) \otimes H^*(Y) \xrightarrow{(\times) \otimes m} H^*(X \times Y) \otimes R_* \\
 \otimes H^*(Y) \otimes R_* & & \otimes R_* \otimes R_*
 \end{array}$$

Here \times is the cross product, m is the multiplication on R_* , and μ is defined by $\mu(x, y) = (-1)^{mn}(y, x)$ for $x \in R_m$ and $y \in H^n(Y)$.

- (ii) $\gamma(u) = u \otimes 1$ when u is a generator of $H^1(S^1)$.

Let $\tilde{H}^*(-)$ be the reduced mod p cohomology, and γ a multiplicative operation. Then γ induces the reduced operation $\tilde{\gamma} : \tilde{H}^*(X) \rightarrow \tilde{H}^*(X) \otimes R_*$, which satisfies the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \tilde{H}^*(X) \otimes \tilde{H}^*(Y) & \xrightarrow{\quad \wedge \quad} & \tilde{H}^*(X \wedge Y) \\
 \tilde{\gamma} \otimes \tilde{\gamma} \downarrow & & \downarrow \tilde{\gamma} \\
 \tilde{H}^*(X) \otimes R_* & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1} & \tilde{H}^*(X) \otimes \tilde{H}^*(Y) \xrightarrow{(\wedge) \otimes m} \tilde{H}^*(X \wedge Y) \otimes R_* \\
 \otimes \tilde{H}^*(Y) \otimes R_* & & \otimes R_* \otimes R_*
 \end{array} \tag{2.1}$$

Here \wedge is the smash product.

LEMMA 2.2 (See [6, Lemma 2.2]). *Suppose that γ is a multiplicative operation. Then $\tilde{\gamma}$ is stable. That is, the following diagram is commutative:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \tilde{H}^n(X) & \xrightarrow{\quad \sigma \quad} & \tilde{H}^{n+1}(\Sigma X) \\
 \tilde{\gamma} \downarrow & & \downarrow \tilde{\gamma} \\
 [\tilde{H}^*(X) \otimes R_*]^n & \xrightarrow{\quad \sigma \otimes 1 \quad} & [\tilde{H}^*(\Sigma X) \otimes R_*]^{n+1}.
 \end{array}$$

Here σ is the suspension isomorphism.

PROOF. By the commutative diagram (2.1), we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \tilde{H}^*(S^1) \otimes \tilde{H}^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\quad \wedge \quad} & & \tilde{H}^*(S^1 \wedge X) & \\
 \tilde{\gamma} \otimes \tilde{\gamma} \downarrow & & & \downarrow \tilde{\gamma} & \\
 \tilde{H}^*(S^1) \otimes R_* & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1} & \tilde{H}^*(S^1) \otimes \tilde{H}^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\wedge \otimes m} & \tilde{H}^*(S^1 \wedge X) \otimes R_* \\
 \otimes \tilde{H}^*(X) \otimes R_* & & \otimes R_* \otimes R_* & &
 \end{array}$$

For any element x in $\tilde{H}^*(X)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\gamma}(\sigma(x)) &= \tilde{\gamma}(u \wedge x) = (\wedge \otimes m) \circ (1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1) \circ (\tilde{\gamma}(u) \otimes \tilde{\gamma}(x)) \\
 &= (\wedge \otimes m) \circ (1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1)(u \otimes 1 \otimes \tilde{\gamma}(x)) = u \wedge \tilde{\gamma}(x) = (\sigma \otimes 1) \circ \tilde{\gamma}(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

This means that $\tilde{\gamma}$ is a stable operation. □

Let H be the mod p Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum. We want to introduce a multiplicative operation $\psi : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes H_*H$ with good properties. We define a map

$$\bar{\psi} : H^*(X) = \{X^+, H\}^* \rightarrow \{X^+, H \wedge H\}^*$$

by $\bar{\psi}(f) = i \wedge f \in \{S^0 \wedge X^+, H \wedge H\}^*$, where $i : S^0 \rightarrow H$ is the unit map. Let $m : H \wedge H \rightarrow H$ be the multiplication on H . The map $\kappa : H^*(X) \otimes H_*H \rightarrow \{X^+, H \wedge H\}^*$ induced by $H \wedge (H \wedge H) \xrightarrow{m \wedge 1} H \wedge H$ is an isomorphism since $H_n H$ is finite dimensional for each n . (See [6, Lemma 2.3].) We set

$$\psi = \kappa^{-1} \circ \bar{\psi} : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes H_*H. \tag{2.2}$$

We see that ψ is a multiplicative operation by the same proof as [6, Lemma 2.4].

In the remainder of this section, we study properties of ψ . From now on, we assume that any graded algebra R_* over \mathbf{F}_p is of finite type, that is, R_n is finite dimensional for each n . Since R_* is of finite type, $H^*(X) \otimes R_*$ satisfies the wedge axiom

$$H^*(\vee X_\alpha) \otimes R_* \cong \prod_{\alpha} H^*(X_\alpha) \otimes R_*.$$

Therefore $H^*(X) \otimes R_*$ is a cohomology theory, and we write HR_* for the spectrum representing it. The cohomology $H^*(\) \otimes R_*$ has the products

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^*(X) \otimes R_* \otimes H^*(Y) \otimes R_* &\longrightarrow H^*(X \times Y) \otimes R_* \\
 (x \otimes r \otimes y \otimes r') &\mapsto (-1)^{\deg r \cdot \deg y} (x \times y) \otimes r \cdot r', \\
 H^*(X) \otimes (H^*(Y) \otimes R_*) &\longrightarrow H^*(X \times Y) \otimes R_* \quad (x \otimes y \otimes r \mapsto (x \times y) \otimes r).
 \end{aligned}$$

These imply that HR_* is a commutative ring spectrum and an H -module spectrum.

By Adams [1, III, 13.5], we have the isomorphism

$$\lambda : (HR_*)^*H \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p}^*(H_*H, R_*).$$

Here this map is defined by $\lambda(x) = (H \wedge H \xrightarrow{1 \wedge x} H \wedge HR_* \xrightarrow{\tau} HR_*)$ for $x \in \{H, HR_*\}^*$, where $\tau : H \wedge HR_* \rightarrow HR_*$ is the H -module map. It is easily seen that the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\psi} & H^*(X) \otimes H_*H \\ & \searrow \gamma & \downarrow 1 \otimes \lambda(\gamma) \\ & & H^*(X) \otimes R_* \end{array} \tag{2.3}$$

Let $\text{Op}(R_*)$ be the set of all multiplicative operations over R_* . Given a graded algebra homomorphism $R_* \rightarrow R'_*$ and $\gamma \in \text{Op}(R_*)$,

$$(1 \otimes r) \circ \gamma : H^*(X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} H^*(X) \otimes R_* \xrightarrow{1 \otimes r} H^*(X) \otimes R'_*$$

is a multiplicative operation over R'_* . Therefore $\text{Op}(-)$ is a covariant functor from the category of graded algebras to the category of sets. From Lemma 2.2, $\tilde{\gamma}$ is a stable cohomology operation. In conclusion, we can regard γ as an element in $(HR_*)^0H$, and hence we have $\text{Op}(R_*) \subset (HR_*)^0H$. We denote the restriction $\text{Op}(R_*) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(H_*H, R_*)$ of λ by the same symbol λ . Then we have the following theorem. Since the proof is the same as that of [6, Theorem 2.5], we omit it.

THEOREM 2.3. *There is a one-to-one correspondence*

$$\lambda : \text{Op}(R_*) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(H_*H, R_*).$$

Here λ is natural in R_* , and satisfies the commutativity of the diagram (2.3). Especially $\lambda(\psi)$ is the identity map of H_*H .

3. Steenrod's reduced power operations.

Let I be a finite ordered set. We denote by $\text{Sym}(I)$ and $\text{Alt}(I)$ the symmetric group and the alternating group of I , respectively. Let J be a finite ordered set, G a subgroup of $\text{Alt}(I)$, and H a subgroup of $\text{Alt}(J)$. Let $G \wr H = G \times \prod_X H$, the wreath product of G and H . Then we have

$$G \times H \subset G \wr H \subset \text{Alt}(I \times J), \tag{3.1}$$

where the first inclusion is given by the diagonal $H \rightarrow \prod_I H$.

Consider the vector space $E^n = E_1 \times \cdots \times E_n$, where $E_i = \mathbf{Z}/p$. Let Σ_{p^n} and A_{p^n} be the symmetric group $\text{Sym}(E^n)$ and the alternating group $\text{Alt}(E^n)$ on the point set E^n , respectively. The vector space E^n acts on itself: $g \in E^n$ sends $h \in E^n$ to $g + h$. Thereby we can regard E^n as a permutation group on E^n . This implies the inclusion $E^n \subset \Sigma_{p^n}$. We define a Sylow p -subgroup $\Sigma_{p^n,p}$ of Σ_{p^n} by $\Sigma_{p^n,p} = E_1 \wr \cdots \wr E_n$. Using (3.1) repeatedly, we have

$$A_{p^n} \supset \Sigma_{p^n,p} \supset E_1 \times \cdots \times E_n = E^n.$$

We recall reduced power operations in [10]. Let G be a subgroup of $\text{Alt}(I)$, where I is an ordered set of m elements. Given a space X and $X_i = X$ for any $i \in I$, we put $X^I = \prod_{i \in I} X_i$ and $E_G(X) = EG \times_G X^I$. Steenrod defined the power operation

$$P_G : H^q(X) \longrightarrow H^{mq}(E_G(X)).$$

Let $d_G : BG \times X \rightarrow E_G(X)$ be the diagonal map. Then we see

$$d_G^* P_G : H^q(X) \rightarrow H^{mq}(BG \times X).$$

Let G' be a subgroup of G . The inclusion $i_{G,G'} : G' \hookrightarrow G$ induces $BG' \rightarrow BG$ and $E_{G'}(X) \rightarrow E_G(X)$, which are denoted by the same symbol $i_{G,G'}$. It is known in [10, VII] that $i_{G,G'}^* P_G = P_{G'}$. Moreover d_G and $i_{G,G'}$ are continuous. Hence we have the following equalities for $E^n \subset \Sigma_{p^n,p} \subset A_{p^n}$:

$$i_{A_{p^n}, E^n}^* d_{A_{p^n}}^* P_{A_{p^n}} = i_{\Sigma_{p^n,p}, E^n}^* d_{\Sigma_{p^n,p}}^* P_{\Sigma_{p^n,p}} = d_n^* P_n : H^q(X) \rightarrow H^{p^n q}(BE^n \times X). \quad (3.2)$$

Here $d_n = d_{E^n}$ and $P_n = P_{E^n}$.

$d_n^* P_n$ has the following fundamental properties.

LEMMA 3.1. *Put $h = (p - 1)/2$. Then we have*

- (i) $d_n^* P_n = d_1^* P_1 d_{n-1}^* P_{n-1}$.
- (ii) $d_n^* P_n(uv) = (-1)^{nhqr} d_n^* P_n(u) \cdot d_n^* P_n(v)$, where $q = \deg u$ and $r = \deg v$.

Put $GL_n = GL_n(\mathbf{F}_p)$, $SL_n = \{w \in GL_n \mid \det w = 1\}$ and $\widetilde{SL}_n = \{w \in GL_n \mid (\det w)^h = 1\}$. Consider the graded algebras

$$\mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n], \quad E(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

with $\deg \epsilon_i = 1$ and $\deg x_i = 2$. Here $E(\)$ is an exterior algebra over \mathbf{F}_p . Any subgroup K of GL_n operates naturally on them. Let

$$\mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n]^K, \quad (E(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n])^K$$

be the subalgebras of the K -invariants. Recall the K -invariants for the case of $K = GL_n$,

SL_n or \widetilde{SL}_n from Dickson [4] and Mùì [8], [9]. These are needed to describe $d_n^*P_n(u)$ for $u \in H^*(X)$, which leads us to the definition of a multiplicative operation S_n .

Put $[e_1, \dots, e_n] = \det(x_i^{p^{e_j}})$ for any sequence of non-negative integers (e_1, \dots, e_n) . In particular, we set $L_{n,s} = [0, \dots, \hat{s}, \dots, n]$ for $0 \leq s \leq n$, and $L_n = L_{n,n}$. By the definition, we have $\deg L_{n,s} = 2(p^{n+1} - p^s)/(p - 1)$ and $\deg L_n = 2(p^n - 1)/(p - 1)$. According to [4], [8, I.4.15, I.4.16] and [9, 2.1], $L_{n,s}/L_n$ is an element in $\mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, and it is denoted by $Q_{n,s}$. Note that $Q_{n,n} = 1$. By the definition, we see $\deg Q_{n,s} = 2(p^n - p^s)$. From Dickson [4], we have

$$\mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n]^{SL_n} = \mathbf{F}_p[L_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}].$$

Let (a_{ij}) be a matrix of type (n, n) over a graded algebra. Then the determinant $\det(a_{ij})$ is defined as follows:

$$\det(a_{ij}) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} a_{2\sigma(2)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)}.$$

We set

$$[k; e_{k+1}, \dots, e_n] = \frac{1}{k!} \det \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 & \cdots & \epsilon_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \epsilon_1 & \cdots & \epsilon_n \\ x_1^{p^{e_{k+1}}} & \cdots & x_n^{p^{e_{k+1}}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1^{p^{e_n}} & \cdots & x_n^{p^{e_n}} \end{pmatrix},$$

for any sequence of non-negative integers (e_{k+1}, \dots, e_n) . For $0 \leq s_1 < \dots < s_k \leq n - 1$, we put

$$M_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} = [k; 0, \dots, \hat{s}_1, \dots, \hat{s}_k, \dots, n - 1].$$

Then we obtain $\deg M_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} = k + 2(p^n - 1)/(p - 1) - 2(p^{s_1} + \dots + p^{s_k})$. Here are results of Mùì.

THEOREM 3.2 ([8, I.4.8]). *We have the direct sum decomposition*

$$\begin{aligned} &(E(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n])^{SL_n} \\ &\cong \mathbf{F}_p[L_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}] \oplus \bigoplus_{0 \leq s_1 < \dots < s_k \leq n-1} \mathbf{F}_p[L_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}] \cdot M_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} \end{aligned}$$

as an $\mathbf{F}_p[L_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}]$ -module. The multiplicative structure is given by the relations

$$M_{n,s}^2 = 0, \quad M_{n,s_1} \cdots M_{n,s_k} = (-1)^{k(k-1)/2} M_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} L_n^{k-1}$$

for $0 \leq s_1 < \dots < s_k \leq n - 1$.

From [9, Lemma 2.1] and this theorem, we obtain the following corollary.

COROLLARY 3.3 ([9, 2.5]). *We have the direct sum decomposition*

$$\begin{aligned} & (E(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n])^{\widetilde{S}L_n} \\ & \cong \mathbf{F}_p[\widetilde{L}_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}] \oplus \bigoplus_{0 \leq s_1 < \dots < s_k \leq n-1} \mathbf{F}_p[\widetilde{L}_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}] \cdot \widetilde{M}_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} \end{aligned}$$

as an $\mathbf{F}_p[\widetilde{L}_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}]$ -module. Here $\widetilde{L}_n = L_n^h$ and $\widetilde{M}_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} = M_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} L_n^{h-1}$. Then $\deg \widetilde{L}_n = p^n - 1$ and $\deg \widetilde{M}_{n,s_1, \dots, s_k} = k - 1 + p^n - 2(p^{s_1} + \dots + p^{s_k})$.

As in [8], we put $V_k = \prod_{a_i \in \mathbf{Z}/p} (a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_{k-1} x_{k-1} + x_k)$. Then we obtain the relations

$$L_n = V_1 V_2 \cdots V_n, \quad Q_{n,s} = Q_{n-1,s} V_n^{p-1} + Q_{n-1,s-1}^p.$$

PROPOSITION 3.4 ([9, 2.6]). *Suppose $U_k = M_{k,k-1} L_{k-1}^{h-1}$. Then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} V_{k+1} &= (-1)^k \sum_{s=0}^k (-1)^s Q_{k,s} x_{k+1}^{p^s}, \\ U_{k+1} &= (-1)^k \left(\widetilde{L}_k \epsilon_{k+1} + \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} (-1)^{s+1} \widetilde{M}_{k,s} x_{k+1}^{p^s} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $\deg V_{k+1} = 2p^k$ and $\deg U_{k+1} = p^k$.

We identify $H^*(BE^n)$ with the above algebra $E(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Using the invariants, we describe the images of

$$i_{\Sigma_{p^n}, p, E^n}^* : H^*(B\Sigma_{p^n}, p) \rightarrow H^*(BE^n), \quad i_{A_{p^n}, E^n}^* : H^*(BA_{p^n}) \rightarrow H^*(BE^n)$$

as follows.

THEOREM 3.5 ([8, II Theorem 5.2], [9, Theorem 3.10]).

$$\text{Im } i_{\Sigma_{p^n}, p, E^n}^* = E(U_1, \dots, U_n) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[V_1, \dots, V_n].$$

In the proof of [9, Theorem 3.10], it is shown that

$$\text{Im } i_{A_{p^n}, E^n}^* = \text{Im } i_{\Sigma_{p^n}, p, E^n}^* \cap [H^*(BE^n)]^{\widetilde{S}L_n}.$$

From [9, Lemma 3.11] and Corollary 3.3, we see

$$\mathrm{Im} \, i_{\Sigma_{p^n, p}, E^n}^* \cap [H^*(BE^n)]^{\widetilde{S}\widetilde{L}_n} = E(\widetilde{M}_{n,0}, \dots, \widetilde{M}_{n,n-1}) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\widetilde{L}_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}].$$

Therefore we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.6 ([9, Theorem 3.10]).

$$\mathrm{Im} \, i_{A_{p^n}, E^n}^* = E(\widetilde{M}_{n,0}, \dots, \widetilde{M}_{n,n-1}) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\widetilde{L}_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}].$$

Since we have $d_n^* P_n = i_{A_{p^n}, E^n}^* d_{A_{p^n}}^* P_{A_{p^n}}$ from the equality (3.2), we obtain

$$\mathrm{Im} \, d_n^* P_n \subset (E(\widetilde{M}_{n,0}, \dots, \widetilde{M}_{n,n-1}) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\widetilde{L}_n, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}]) \otimes H^*(X).$$

Hence the following is well defined.

DEFINITION 3.7 ([9, Definition 4.1]). For every $u \in H^q(X)$, we write

$$d_n^* P_n(u) = \sum \widetilde{M}_{n,s_1} \cdots \widetilde{M}_{n,s_k} \widetilde{L}_n^{r_0} Q_{n,1}^{r_1} \cdots Q_{n,n-1}^{r_{n-1}} \otimes \mathcal{D}_{S,R}(u),$$

where the summation runs over all sequences $S = (s_1, \dots, s_k)$ with $0 \leq s_1 < \dots < s_k \leq n-1$ and all sequences of non-negative integers $R = (r_0, \dots, r_{n-1})$. This formula defines the maps

$$\mathcal{D}_{S,R} : H^q(X) \longrightarrow H^{p^n q - |S,R|}(X),$$

where $|S, R| = kp^n + r_0(p^n - 1) + 2(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} r_j(p^n - p^j) - \sum_{i=1}^k p^{s_i})$.

Müi proved the following lemma about $\mathcal{D}_{S,R}$.

LEMMA 3.8 ([9, Lemma 4.2]). *If $q - k - r_0$ is not even or $q < k + r_0 + 2(r_1 + \dots + r_{n-1})$, then $\mathcal{D}_{S,R}(u) = 0$.*

Let us introduce a multiplicative operation S_n . We set $\mu(q) = (h!)^q (-1)^{hq(q-1)/2}$, and

$$\Gamma[n]_* = E(\widetilde{M}_{n,0}, \dots, \widetilde{M}_{n,n-1}) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\widetilde{L}_n^\pm, Q_{n,1}, \dots, Q_{n,n-1}].$$

Then we define an operation $\bar{S}_n : H^*(X) \longrightarrow \Gamma[n]_* \otimes H^*(X)$ by

$$x \mapsto \mu(\deg x)^{-n} \widetilde{L}_n^{-\deg x} d_n^* P_n(x).$$

Since $\deg \widetilde{L}_n^{-\deg x} = -(\deg x) \cdot (p^n - 1)$ and $\deg d_n^* P_n(x) = (\deg x) \cdot p^n$, we see \bar{S}_n preserves degree. Put $\tau[n]_i = (-1)^{i+1} \widetilde{M}_{n,i} / \widetilde{L}_n$ for $0 \leq i \leq n-1$, and $\xi[n]_i = (-1)^i Q_{n,i} / \widetilde{L}_n^2$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. Denote by $D[n]_*$ the subalgebra generated by $\tau[n]_0, \dots, \tau[n]_{n-1}$ and $\xi[n]_1, \dots, \xi[n]_n$ in $\Gamma[n]_*$. Then we can easily see

$$D[n]_* = E(\tau[n]_0, \dots, \tau[n]_{n-1}) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\xi[n]_1, \dots, \xi[n]_n].$$

Here $\deg \tau[n]_i = -(2p^i - 1)$ and $\deg \xi[n]_i = -2(p^i - 1)$, i.e., $\tau[n]_i \in D[n]_{2p^i-1}$ and $\xi[n]_i \in D[n]_{2(p^i-1)}$. By Lemma 3.8, we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.9. $\text{Im}(\bar{S}_n) \subset D[n]_* \otimes H^*(X)$.

We denote by S_n the composite operation

$$H^*(X) \xrightarrow{\bar{S}_n} D[n]_* \otimes H^*(X) \xrightarrow{\mu} H^*(X) \otimes D[n]_*,$$

where μ is the interchange map $\sum a_i \otimes b_i \mapsto \sum (-1)^{\deg a_i \cdot \deg b_i} b_i \otimes a_i$.

LEMMA 3.10. *The cohomology operation S_n is multiplicative.*

PROOF. For $u \in H^q(X)$ and $v \in H^r(X)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{S}_n(uv) &= \mu(q+r)^{-n} \tilde{L}_n^{-(q+r)} d_n^* P_n(uv) \\ &= \mu(q+r)^{-n} \tilde{L}_n^{-(q+r)} (-1)^{nhqr} d_n^* P_n(u) \cdot d_n^* P_n(v) \\ &= \bar{S}_n(u) \cdot \bar{S}_n(v). \end{aligned}$$

Here the second equality follows from Lemma 3.1, and the third is obvious since $\mu(q+r) = \mu(q) \cdot \mu(r) \cdot (-1)^{hqr}$. Therefore S_n satisfies the condition (i) in Definition 2.1.

It remains to prove that S_n satisfies the condition (ii) in Definition 2.1. Let u be a generator of $H^1(S^1)$. Since

$$d_1^* P_1(u) = \mu(1)(y^h \otimes u) = \mu(1)(\tilde{L}_1 \otimes u),$$

we have $S_n(u) = u \otimes 1$. □

For $H^*(BE_{k+1}) = E(\epsilon_{k+1}) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_{k+1}]$, we consider

$$d_k^* P_k : H^*(BE_{k+1}) \longrightarrow H^*(B(E_1 \times \dots \times E_k) \times BE_{k+1}) = H^*(BE^{k+1}).$$

Then the following theorem is known in Mùì [8].

THEOREM 3.11 ([8], [9, Theorem 3.8], [11, Proposition 1.1(iii)]). *We have*

$$d_k^* P_k(\epsilon_{k+1}) = (-h!)^k U_{k+1}, \quad d_k^* P_k(x_{k+1}) = V_{k+1}.$$

This implies the following corollary. It is used in the proof of Theorem 5.2.

COROLLARY 3.12. *For $\epsilon \in H^1(B\mathbf{Z}/p)$ and $x \in H^2(B\mathbf{Z}/p)$, we have*

$$S_n(\epsilon) = \epsilon \otimes 1 + \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} x^{p^s} \otimes \tau[n]_s, \quad S_n(x) = x \otimes 1 + \sum_{s=1}^n x^{p^s} \otimes \xi[n]_s.$$

PROOF. By Lemma 3.4 and Theorem 3.11, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{S}_n(\epsilon) &= \mu(1)^{-n} \tilde{L}_n^{-1} d_n^* P_n(\epsilon) \\ &= (h!)^{-n} \tilde{L}_n^{-1} (-h!)^n (-1)^n \left(\tilde{L}_n \otimes \epsilon + \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{s+1} \tilde{M}_{n,s} \otimes x^{p^s} \right) \\ &= 1 \otimes \epsilon + \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} \tau[n]_s \otimes x^{p^s}. \end{aligned}$$

This induces $S_n(\epsilon) = \epsilon \otimes 1 + \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} x^{p^s} \otimes \tau[n]_s$.

We see

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(2) &= (h!)^2 (-1)^h = (1 \cdot 2 \cdots (p-1)/2)^2 (-1)^h \\ &= (1 \cdot 2 \cdots (p-1)/2) \cdot \{(-1) \cdot (-2) \cdots -(p-1)/2\} \\ &= 1 \cdot 2 \cdots p - 1 = -1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore by Lemma 3.4 and Theorem 3.11, we have

$$\bar{S}_n(x) = \mu(2)^{-n} \tilde{L}_n^{-2} d_n^* P_n(x) = (-1)^{-n} \tilde{L}_n^{-2} (-1)^n \sum_{s=0}^n (-1)^s Q_{n,s} x^{p^s} = \sum_{s=0}^n \xi[n]_s \otimes x^{p^s},$$

where $\xi[n]_0 = 1$. In consequence, we have $S_n(x) = x \otimes 1 + \sum_{s=1}^n x^{p^s} \otimes \xi[n]_s$. □

4. Some 1-dimensional additive formal group law.

Let g_a be the 1-dimensional additive formal group law. For each graded algebra R_* , we consider the graded algebra $R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$, the ring of dual numbers of R_* . Here $\deg \epsilon = 1$.

DEFINITION 4.1. We set $\deg x = 2$. A power series $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\epsilon m_i + n_i) x^i$ in $R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)[[x]]$ is called a *quasi-strict* automorphism of g_a over $R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$ if it satisfies the following three conditions:

- (i) $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$
- (ii) $n_1 = 1$
- (iii) $m_i \in R_{2i-1}$ and $n_i \in R_{2i-2}$.

REMARK. The condition (iii) is equivalent to $\deg \epsilon m_i x^i = \deg n_i x^i = 2$ for any i .

The condition (i) in this definition implies $m_i = 0$ and $n_i = 0$ for $i \neq p^k$, and thereby we can express a quasi-strict automorphism $f(x)$ as

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a_k + b_k) x^{p^k}, \quad a_k \in R_{2p^k-1}, \quad b_k \in R_{2p^k-2}, \quad b_0 = 1.$$

We write $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*)$ for the set of all quasi-strict automorphisms over $R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$. Then $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ is a functor from the category of graded algebras over \mathbf{F}_p to the category of sets. We put $A_* = E(\bar{\tau}_0, \bar{\tau}_1, \dots) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\bar{\xi}_1, \bar{\xi}_2, \dots]$, where $\bar{\tau}_i \in A_{2p^i-1}$ and $\bar{\xi}_i \in A_{2p^i-2}$. We have a natural isomorphism of sets

$$T : \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(A_*, R_*) \longrightarrow \text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*), \quad h \mapsto \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon h(\bar{\tau}_k) + h(\bar{\xi}_k))x^{p^k}, \quad (4.1)$$

where $\bar{\xi}_0 = 1$. We define a product of $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*)$ by the composition $(g \cdot f)(x) = f(g(x))$. Then $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*)$ is a group, and therefore $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ is a functor to the category of groups. Furthermore $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(A_*, -)$ is also a functor to the category of groups via (4.1), and this induces the coproduct $\Delta : A_* \rightarrow A_* \otimes A_*$. Given a couple of elements in $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*)$:

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a'_j + b'_j)x^{p^j}, \quad a'_j, b'_j \in R_*, \quad b'_0 = 1;$$

$$g(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a''_k + b''_k)x^{p^k}, \quad a''_j, b''_j \in R_*, \quad b''_0 = 1,$$

we obtain the product

$$\begin{aligned} (f \cdot g)(x) &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a_i + b_i)x^{p^i} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a''_k + b''_k) \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a'_j + b'_j)x^{p^j} \right)^{p^k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a''_k + b''_k) \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a'_j + b'_j)^{p^k} x^{p^{j+k}} \right) \\ &= (\epsilon a''_0 + b''_0) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a'_j + b'_j)x^{p^j} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\epsilon a''_k + b''_k) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} b'^{p^k}_j x^{p^{j+k}} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\epsilon \left(a'_i + \sum_{k=0}^i b'^{p^k}_{i-k} a''_k \right) + \sum_{k=0}^i b'^{p^k}_{i-k} b''_k \right) x^{p^i}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the coproduct Δ is given by

$$\Delta(\bar{\tau}_i) = \bar{\tau}_i \otimes 1 + \sum_{k=0}^i \bar{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \bar{\tau}_k, \quad \Delta(\bar{\xi}_i) = \sum_{k=0}^i \bar{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \bar{\xi}_k.$$

Therefore we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 4.2. *Let A_* be the Hopf algebra $E(\bar{\tau}_0, \bar{\tau}_1, \dots) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\bar{\xi}_1, \bar{\xi}_2, \dots]$ whose coproduct is given by*

$$\Delta(\bar{\tau}_i) = \bar{\tau}_i \otimes 1 + \sum_{k=0}^i \bar{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \bar{\tau}_k, \quad \Delta(\bar{\xi}_i) = \sum_{k=0}^i \bar{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \bar{\xi}_k.$$

Then T is a natural isomorphism of groups.

5. A relation between H_*H and $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)$.

The product $a : B\mathbf{Z}/p \times B\mathbf{Z}/p \rightarrow B\mathbf{Z}/p$ induces the coproduct map

$$a^* : H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \cong E(\epsilon) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x] \longrightarrow H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p \times B\mathbf{Z}/p) \cong E(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x_1, x_2],$$

and we see that $a^*(\epsilon) = \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2$ and $a^*(x) = x_1 + x_2$. Consider a multiplicative operation $\gamma : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes R_*$. If $X = B\mathbf{Z}/p$, we get the following isomorphisms

$$H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_* \cong E(\epsilon) \otimes R_*[[x]] \cong R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)[[x]].$$

For $\gamma(\epsilon) \in [H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_*]^1$ and $\gamma(x) \in [H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_*]^2$, we define an element $f_\gamma(x)$ in $R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)[[x]]$ as $f_\gamma(x) = \epsilon\gamma(\epsilon) + \gamma(x)$.

LEMMA 5.1. $f_\gamma(x)$ is a quasi-strict automorphism of g_a over $R_*[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$. In other words, $f_\gamma(x)$ is an element in $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*)$.

PROOF. Since a multiplicative operation γ preserves degree, $f_\gamma(x)$ satisfies the condition (iii) in Definition 4.1.

From the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) & \xrightarrow{\gamma \otimes \gamma} & H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_* \otimes H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_* \\ \times \downarrow & & \downarrow ((\times) \otimes m) \circ (1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1) \\ H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p \times B\mathbf{Z}/p) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p \times B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_* \end{array}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2) &= \gamma(\epsilon \times 1 + 1 \times \epsilon) \\ &= ((\times) \otimes m) \circ (1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1)(\gamma(\epsilon) \otimes \gamma(1) + \gamma(1) \otimes \gamma(\epsilon)) = \gamma(\epsilon_1) + \gamma(\epsilon_2), \\ \gamma(x_1 + x_2) &= \gamma(x \times 1 + 1 \times x) \\ &= ((\times) \otimes m) \circ (1 \otimes \mu \otimes 1)(\gamma(x) \otimes \gamma(1) + \gamma(1) \otimes \gamma(x)) = \gamma(x_1) + \gamma(x_2). \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the above equalities that $f_\gamma(x_1 + x_2) = f_\gamma(x_1) + f_\gamma(x_2)$, and thereby $f_\gamma(x)$ satisfies the condition (i) in Definition 4.1.

It remains to show that $f_\gamma(x)$ satisfies the condition (ii) in Definition 4.1. Since $f_\gamma(x)$ satisfies the conditions (i) and (iii) in Definition 4.1, we obtain the form

$$f_\gamma(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon a_k + b_k) x^{p^k}, \quad a_k \in R_{2p^k-1}, \quad b_k \in R_{2p^k-2}.$$

It is enough to prove $b_0 = 1$. Let z be the element in $H^2(BS^1)$ which satisfies $j^*(z) = x$ for the inclusion $j : B\mathbf{Z}/p \rightarrow BS^1$. Then we see that $H^*(BS^1) \cong \mathbf{F}_p[z]$, and that j^* is injective. Moreover we can write $\gamma(z)$ as $\gamma(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k z^{p^k}$. From the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^*(BS^1) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & H^*(BS^1) \otimes R_* \\ j^* \downarrow & & \downarrow j^* \otimes 1 \\ H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_*, \end{array}$$

we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k x^{p^k} = (j^* \otimes 1) \circ \gamma(z) = \gamma \circ j^*(z) = \gamma(x).$$

By the definition of $f_\gamma(x)$ and the preceding equality, we see that $b_0 = 1$ is equivalent to $c_0 = 1$.

Let $l : S^2 \rightarrow BS^1$ be the inclusion, and u the element in $H^2(S^2)$ which satisfies $l^*(z) = u$. By Definition 2.1 (ii) and Lemma 2.2, we have $\gamma(u) = u \otimes 1$. From the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^2(BS^1) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & [H^*(BS^1) \otimes R_*]^2 \\ l^* \downarrow & & \downarrow l^* \otimes 1 \\ H^2(S^2) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & [H^*(S^2) \otimes R_*]^2, \end{array}$$

we obtain

$$u \otimes c_0 = (l^* \otimes 1) \circ \gamma(z) = \gamma \circ l^*(z) = \gamma(u) = u \otimes 1.$$

Hence $c_0 = 1$. This completes the proof of the lemma. □

By this lemma, we can define a natural transformation $F : \text{Op}(-) \rightarrow \text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ by $F(\gamma) = f_\gamma(x)$. We consider the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Op}(-) & \xrightarrow{F} & \text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-) \\ \lambda \downarrow \cong & & \cong \uparrow T \\ \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(H_*H, -) & \xrightarrow{N} & \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(A_*, -). \end{array} \tag{5.1}$$

Here $N = T^{-1} \circ F \circ \lambda^{-1}$. We write χ_γ for $T^{-1} \circ F(\gamma) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(A_*, R_*)$. We obtain two algebra homomorphisms $\chi_\psi : A_* \rightarrow H_*H$ and $\chi_{S_n} : A_* \rightarrow D[n]_*$ from the multiplicative operations $\psi : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes H_*H$ in (2.2) and $S_n : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes D[n]_*$ in

Lemma 3.10, respectively. From Theorem 2.3, we see $N(\text{id}_{H_*H}) = \chi_\psi$, where id_{H_*H} is the identity map of H_*H . Since N is a natural transformation, we have

$$N(l) = N(l \circ \text{id}_{H_*H}) = l \circ N(\text{id}_{H_*H}) = l \circ \chi_\psi$$

for any graded algebra homomorphism $l : H_*H \rightarrow R_*$. From the commutative diagram (5.1) and the above equality, we see

$$\chi_{S_n} = T^{-1} \circ F(S_n) = N \circ \lambda(S_n) = N(\lambda(S_n)) = \lambda(S_n) \circ \chi_\psi,$$

i.e., the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A_* & \xrightarrow{\chi_\psi} & H_*H \\
 & \searrow \chi_{S_n} & \downarrow \lambda(S_n) \\
 & & D[n]_*
 \end{array} \tag{5.2}$$

The map $H \wedge S^0 \wedge H \xrightarrow{1 \wedge i \wedge 1} H \wedge H \wedge H$ induces the coproduct map

$$\delta : H_*H = \{S^0, H \wedge H\}_* \longrightarrow \{S^0, H \wedge H \wedge H\}_* \cong H_*H \otimes H_*H.$$

Then H_*H is a Hopf algebra and $H^*(X)$ is an H_*H -comodule with $\psi : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes H_*H$.

The following is the main theorem.

THEOREM 5.2. $\chi_\psi = N(\text{id}_{H_*H}) : A_* \longrightarrow H_*H$ is a Hopf algebra isomorphism.

PROOF. By Corollary 3.12, we have

$$f_{S_n}(x) = \epsilon S_n(\epsilon) + S_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \epsilon \tau[n]_i x^{p^i} + \left(x + \sum_{j=1}^n \xi[n]_j x^{p^j} \right) = \sum_{i=0}^n (\epsilon \tau[n]_i + \xi[n]_i) x^{p^i},$$

where $\xi[n]_0 = 1$ and $\tau[n]_n = 0$. From the definition of χ_{S_n} and T , we see

$$\begin{aligned}
 \chi_{S_n}(\bar{\tau}_i) &= \tau[n]_i \quad (0 \leq i \leq n-1), & \chi_{S_n}(\bar{\tau}_i) &= 0 \quad (i \geq n), \\
 \chi_{S_n}(\bar{\xi}_i) &= \xi[n]_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq n), & \chi_{S_n}(\bar{\xi}_i) &= 0 \quad (i > n).
 \end{aligned}$$

In consequence, $\chi_{S_n} : H_*H \rightarrow D[n]_*$ is an isomorphism for $* \leq 2p^n - 2$, which becomes arbitrarily large. This and the commutative diagram (5.2) imply χ_ψ is injective. Cartan [3] showed that the Poincaré series of H_*H is equal to

$$\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 + t^{2p^{i-1}-1}}{1 - t^{2p^i-2}}.$$

The Poincaré series of A_* and that of H_*H are the same, and hence χ_ψ is bijective.

We need to show that χ_ψ is a Hopf algebra homomorphism. Since ψ is an H_*H -comodule map, we have

$$(\psi \otimes 1) \circ \psi = (1 \otimes \delta) \circ \psi : H^*(X) \longrightarrow H^*(X) \otimes H_*H \otimes H_*H.$$

It is not difficult to see that χ_ψ is a Hopf algebra homomorphism. (See [6, Theorem 4.1] for details.) \square

Appendix A. Higher dimensional graded formal group laws.

We recall higher dimensional commutative formal group laws in Hazewinkel [5]. For convenience, we abbreviate commutative formal group laws to formal group laws.

DEFINITION A.1. An n -dimensional formal group law over a ring A is an n -tuple of power series $F(X, Y) = (F(1)(X, Y), \dots, F(n)(X, Y))$ in $2n$ indeterminates $X_1, \dots, X_n; Y_1, \dots, Y_n$ such that

- (i) $F(i)(X, Y) \equiv X_i + Y_i \pmod{(X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n)^2}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$;
- (ii) $F(i)(F(i)(X, Y), Z) = F(i)(X, F(i)(Y, Z))$, $i = 1, \dots, n$;
- (iii) $F(i)(X, Y) = F(i)(Y, X)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

DEFINITION A.2. Let $F(X, Y)$ be an n -dimensional formal group law over a ring A and $G(X', Y')$ an m -dimensional formal group law over A . A homomorphism over A , $F(X, Y) \rightarrow G(X', Y')$ is an m -tuple of formal power series $\alpha(X)$ in n indeterminates X_1, \dots, X_n such that $\alpha(X) \equiv 0 \pmod{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}$ and $\alpha(F(X, Y)) = G(\alpha(X), \alpha(Y))$.

We introduce higher dimensional graded formal group laws over a graded F_p -algebra and homomorphisms between them.

DEFINITION A.3. Suppose that α_i is odd for $0 \leq i \leq s$, and that α_j is even for $s + 1 \leq j \leq n$. Let X_j and Y_j be indeterminates of degree α_j . Then an n -tuple of elements $F(X, Y) = (F(1)(X, Y), \dots, F(n)(X, Y))$ in

$$E(X_1, \dots, X_s; Y_1, \dots, Y_s) \otimes R_*[[X_{s+1}, \dots, X_n; Y_{s+1}, \dots, Y_n]]$$

is called an n -dimensional graded formal group law over a graded F_p -algebra R_* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) $F(i)$ is a homogeneous formal power series of degree α_i , i.e., $\deg t_{I, I'} X^I Y^{I'} = \alpha_i$ if $F(i) = \sum t_{I, I'} X^I Y^{I'}$, where $X^I = X_1^{k_1} \dots X_n^{k_n}$, $Y^{I'} = Y_1^{k'_1} \dots Y_n^{k'_n}$ and $t_{I, I'} \in R_*$ for $I = (k_1, \dots, k_n)$ and $I' = (k'_1, \dots, k'_n)$;
- (ii) $F(i)(X, Y) \equiv X_i + Y_i \pmod{(X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n)^2}$;
- (iii) $F(i)(F(i)(X, Y), Z) = F(i)(X, F(i)(Y, Z))$;
- (iv) $F(i)(X, Y) = F(i)(Y, X)$.

In particular, we define a graded formal group law $G_a(X, Y)$ by $G_a(i)(X, Y) = X_i + Y_i$, which is called a *graded additive formal group law*.

DEFINITION A.4. Suppose that α_i is odd for $1 \leq i \leq s$, and that α_i is even for $s + 1 \leq i \leq n$. Suppose that β_j is odd for $1 \leq j \leq s'$, and that β_j is even for $s' + 1 \leq j \leq m$. Given indeterminates X_i, Y_i and X'_j, Y'_j such that $\deg X_i = \deg Y_i = \alpha_i$ and $\deg X'_j = \deg Y'_j = \beta_j$, let $F(X, Y)$ be an n -dimensional graded formal group law with X_i, Y_i over a graded \mathbf{F}_p -algebra R_* , and $G(X', Y')$ an m -dimensional graded formal group law with X'_j, Y'_j over R_* . Then a *homomorphism* $f(X) : F(X, Y) \rightarrow G(X', Y')$ is an m -tuple of elements $f(X) = (f(1)(X), \dots, f(m)(X))$ in

$$E(X_1, \dots, X_s) \otimes R_*[[X_{s+1}, \dots, X_n]]$$

which satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) $f(i)(X)$ is a homogeneous formal power series of degree β_i , i.e., $\deg t_I X^I = \beta_i$ if $F(i) = \sum t_I X^I$, where $X^I = X_1^{k_1} \cdots X_n^{k_n}$, and $t_I \in R_*$ for $I = (k_1, \dots, k_n)$;
- (ii) $f(X) \equiv 0 \pmod{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}$;
- (iii) $f(F(X, Y)) = G(f(X), f(Y))$.

A homomorphism $f(X) : F \rightarrow G$ is called an *isomorphism* if there exists a homomorphism $g(X') : G \rightarrow F$ such that $f(g(X')) = X'$ and $g(f(X)) = X$. Let $J(f)$ be the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $f(i)(X) \equiv a_{i1}X_1 + \cdots + a_{in}X_n \pmod{(X_1, \dots, X_n)^2}$. Note that $J(f)$ is a matrix over a graded algebra. We can easily see that $f(X)$ is an isomorphism if and only if $J(f)$ is invertible. Suppose that $J(f)$ is an upper triangular matrix with all diagonal entries 1, i.e.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we see that $J(f)$ is invertible, and $f(X)$ is called a *quasi-strict* isomorphism.

We now consider a 2-dimensional graded additive formal group law $G_a(\epsilon_1, x_1; \epsilon_2, x_2)$ with $\deg \epsilon_i = 1$ and $\deg x_i = 2$. Write $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(R_*)$ for the set of all quasi-strict automorphisms of $G_a(\epsilon_1, x_1; \epsilon_2, x_2)$ over a graded \mathbf{F}_p -algebra R_* . Obviously $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-)$ is a functor from the category of graded algebras to the category of sets. By the definition of quasi-strict automorphisms, an element $f(X) = (f(1)(\epsilon, x), f(2)(\epsilon, x))$ in $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(R_*)$ satisfies the following conditions:

$$f(1)(\epsilon, x), f(2)(\epsilon, x) \in E(\epsilon) \otimes R_*[[x]]; \tag{A.1}$$

$$\deg \epsilon = 1, \deg x = 2, \deg f(1) = 1, \deg f(2) = 2; \tag{A.2}$$

$$f(1)(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2, x_1 + x_2) = f(1)(\epsilon_1, x_1) + f(1)(\epsilon_2, x_2); \tag{A.3}$$

$$f(2)(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2, x_1 + x_2) = f(2)(\epsilon_1, x_1) + f(2)(\epsilon_2, x_2); \tag{A.4}$$

$$f(1)(\epsilon, x) \equiv \epsilon + a_0x, \quad f(2)(\epsilon, x) \equiv x \pmod{(\epsilon, x)^2}. \tag{A.5}$$

We express a quasi-strict automorphism $f(X) = (f(1)(\epsilon, x), f(2)(\epsilon, x))$ as

$$f(1)(\epsilon, x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon m_i + m'_i)x^i, \quad f(2)(\epsilon, x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\epsilon n_i + n'_i)x^i,$$

where $m_0 = 1, m'_0 = 0, n'_1 = 1, m_i \in R_{2i}, m'_i \in R_{2i-1}, n_i \in R_{2i-1},$ and $n'_i \in R_{2i-2}$. From the conditions (A.3) and (A.4), we see

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} ((\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2)m_i + m'_i)(x_1 + x_2)^i &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon_1 m_i + m'_i)x_1^i + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon_2 m_i + m'_i)x_2^i, \\ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ((\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2)n_i + n'_i)(x_1 + x_2)^i &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\epsilon_1 n_i + n'_i)x_1^i + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\epsilon_2 n_i + n'_i)x_2^i. \end{aligned}$$

If $i \geq 1,$ then

$$(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2)(x_1 + y_1)^i = \epsilon_1 x_1^i + \epsilon_2 x_2^i + \epsilon_1 x_2^i + \epsilon_2 x_1^i + A,$$

where A is a polynomial. This implies $m_i = n_i = 0$ for $i \geq 1.$ If $i = p^\alpha,$ then $(x_1 + x_2)^i = x_1^i + x_2^i,$ and if $i \neq p^\alpha,$ then $(x_1 + x_2)^i = x^i + y^i + xyB,$ where B is a non-zero polynomial. Therefore we have $m_i = 0$ and $n_i = 0$ for $i \neq p^\alpha.$ These show that the conditions (A.1)–(A.5) are equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} f(1)(\epsilon, x) &= \epsilon + a_0x + a_1x^p + \dots + a_nx^{p^n} + \dots \\ f(2)(\epsilon, x) &= x + b_1x^p + \dots + b_nx^{p^n} + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where $a_i \in R_{2p^i-1}$ and $b_i \in R_{2p^i-2}.$ We put $\hat{A}_* = E(\hat{\tau}_0, \hat{\tau}_1, \dots) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\hat{\xi}_1, \hat{\xi}_2, \dots],$ where $\hat{\tau}_i \in \hat{A}_{2p^i-1}$ and $\hat{\xi}_i \in \hat{A}_{2p^i-2}.$ Define a natural map

$$\hat{T} : \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(\hat{A}_*, R_*) \longrightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(R_*)$$

by

$$h \mapsto f(X) = (f(1)(\epsilon, x), f(2)(\epsilon, x)) = \left(\epsilon + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} h(\hat{\tau}_i)x^{p^i}, x + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} h(\hat{\xi}_i)x^{p^i} \right).$$

Obviously \hat{T} is an isomorphism of sets. A product of $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(R_*)$ is defined by the composition $(f \cdot g)(X) = g(f(X)),$ i.e.,

$$(f \cdot g)(X) = ((f \cdot g)(1)(X), (f \cdot g)(2)(X)) \\ = (g(1)(f(1)(\epsilon, x), f(2)(\epsilon, x)), g(2)(f(1)(\epsilon, x), f(2)(\epsilon, x))).$$

We see that $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(R_*)$ is a group, and therefore $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-)$ is a functor to the category of groups. Then there exists a unique coproduct $\hat{\Delta} : \hat{A}_* \rightarrow \hat{A}_* \otimes \hat{A}_*$ such that \hat{T} is a group isomorphism. We express a couple of elements $f(X) = (f(1)(X), f(2)(X))$ and $g(X) = (g(1)(X), g(2)(X))$ in $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(R_*)$ as

$$f(1)(X) = \epsilon + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a'_j x^{p^j}, \quad f(2)(X) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} b'_j x^{p^j}, \quad b'_0 = 1; \\ g(1)(X) = \epsilon + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a''_k x^{p^k}, \quad g(2)(X) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b''_k x^{p^k}, \quad b''_0 = 1.$$

Then we can describe the product $(f \cdot g)(X)$ as

$$(f \cdot g)(1)(X) = \epsilon + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^{p^i} = \left(\epsilon + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a'_j x^{p^j} \right) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a''_k \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} b'_j x^{p^j} \right)^{p^k} \\ = \epsilon + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(a'_i + \sum_{k=0}^i b'^{p^k}_{i-k} a''_k \right) x^{p^i}, \\ (f \cdot g)(2)(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i x^{p^i} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b''_k \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} b'_j x^{p^j} \right)^{p^k} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^i b'^{p^k}_{i-k} b''_k \right) x^{p^i}.$$

These imply that

$$\hat{\Delta}(\hat{\tau}_i) = \hat{\tau}_i \otimes 1 + \sum_{k=0}^i \hat{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \hat{\tau}_k, \quad \hat{\Delta}(\hat{\xi}_i) = \sum_{k=0}^i \hat{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \hat{\xi}_k.$$

Therefore we have the following theorem.

THEOREM A.5. *Let \hat{A}_* be the Hopf algebra $E(\hat{\tau}_0, \hat{\tau}_1, \dots) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[\hat{\xi}_1, \hat{\xi}_2, \dots]$ whose coproduct is given by*

$$\hat{\Delta}(\hat{\tau}_i) = \hat{\tau}_i \otimes 1 + \sum_{k=0}^i \hat{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \hat{\tau}_k, \quad \hat{\Delta}(\hat{\xi}_i) = \sum_{k=0}^i \hat{\xi}_{i-k}^{p^k} \otimes \hat{\xi}_k.$$

Then \hat{T} is a natural isomorphism of groups.

We can prove the main theorem by the usage of $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-)$ instead of $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$ as follows. Let $\gamma : H^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X) \otimes R_*$ be a multiplicative operation. For $X = B\mathbf{Z}/p$, we have

$$\gamma : H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \cong E(\epsilon) \otimes \mathbf{F}_p[x] \longrightarrow H^*(B\mathbf{Z}/p) \otimes R_* \cong E(\epsilon) \otimes R_*[[x]].$$

We define $\hat{f}_\gamma(X) = (\hat{f}_\gamma(1)(\epsilon, x), \hat{f}_\gamma(2)(\epsilon, x))$ by $\hat{f}_\gamma(1)(\epsilon, x) = \gamma(\epsilon)$ and $\hat{f}_\gamma(2)(\epsilon, x) = \gamma(x)$. We can prove that $\hat{f}_\gamma(X)$ is a quasi-strict automorphism of G_a over R_* in a way similar to the proof of Lemma 5.1. Let $\hat{F} : \text{Op}(-) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-)$ be the natural transformation which sends γ to $\hat{f}_\gamma(X)$. As in Section 5, we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Op}(-) & \xrightarrow{\hat{F}} & \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-) \\ \lambda \downarrow \cong & & \cong \uparrow \hat{T} \\ \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(H_*H, -) & \xrightarrow{\hat{N}} & \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(\hat{A}_*, -). \end{array} \tag{A.6}$$

Here $\hat{N} = \hat{T}^{-1} \circ \hat{F} \circ \lambda^{-1}$. We put

$$\hat{\chi}_\psi = \hat{N}(\text{id}_{H_*H}) : \hat{A}_* \rightarrow H_*H,$$

where id_{H_*H} is the identity map of H_*H . In a way similar to the proof of Theorem 5.2, we can show the following theorem.

THEOREM A.6. $\hat{\chi}_\psi$ is a Hopf algebra isomorphism.

Now we have the three natural operations $\text{Op}(-)$, $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-)$ and $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$. The Hopf algebras H_*H , \hat{A}_* and A_* represent them, respectively. We want to investigate relations among them. First we construct a natural transformation

$$W : \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-) \rightarrow \text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-),$$

and see relations among $\text{Op}(-)$, $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-)$ and $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-)$. Given an element

$$f(X) = (f(1)(X), f(2)(X))$$

in $\text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(R_*)$, we put $W(f(X)) = \epsilon f(1)(X) + f(2)(X)$. It is well defined since $\epsilon f(1)(X) + f(2)(X)$ is an element in $\text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(R_*)$. Moreover W is an isomorphism. By the definition of F in Section 5, the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-) & \\ & \nearrow F & \uparrow W \\ \text{Op}(-) & & \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-) \\ & \searrow \hat{F} & \end{array} \tag{A.7}$$

Next we study relations among H_*H , A_* and \hat{A}_* . Consider the Hopf algebra isomorphism $W' : A_* \rightarrow \hat{A}_*$ given by $\bar{\tau}_i \mapsto \hat{\tau}_i$ and $\bar{\xi}_i \mapsto \hat{\xi}_i$. Then the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Aut}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(G_a)(-) & \xrightarrow{W} & \text{AUT}_{\mathbf{F}_p}(g_a)(-) \\
 \hat{T} \uparrow \cong & & \cong \uparrow T \\
 \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(\hat{A}_*, -) & \xrightarrow{W'^*} & \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{F}_p\text{-alg}}(A_*, -).
 \end{array} \tag{A.8}$$

From the commutative diagrams (5.1), (A.6), (A.7) and (A.8), we obtain a commutative diagram of isomorphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A_* & & \\
 \downarrow W' & \searrow \chi_\psi & \\
 & & H_*H \\
 & \nearrow \hat{\chi}_\psi & \\
 \hat{A}_* & &
 \end{array}$$

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