

## ON THE $BP_*$ -HOPF INVARIANT

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In this paper we will consider the  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant,  $\pi_*(S^0) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,*}(BP_*, BP_*)$ , i.e. the Hopf invariant defined by making use of the homology theory of the Brown-Peterson spectrum  $BP$ . The  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant is essentially "the functional coaction character". Similarly we will define the  $BP_*-e$  invariant ("the functional Chern-Dold character") and show that the  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant coincides with the  $BP_*-e$  invariant by the  $BP$ -analogue of Buhstaber-Panov's theorem ([6], [7]). As applications we give a proof of the non-existence of elements of Hopf invariant 1, and detect  $\alpha$ -series.

We will use freely notations of Adams [2], [3], [4]. For example,  $S$ ,  $H$ ,  $HZ_p$  and  $HZ_{(p)}$  denote the sphere spectrum, the Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum,  $Z_p$  coefficient Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum and  $Z_{(p)}$  coefficient Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum respectively, where  $Z_{(p)}$  is the ring of integers localized at the fixed prime  $p$ .

We list some well known facts:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_*(BP) &= BP_*(S^0) = BP_* = Z_{(p)}[v_1, v_2, \dots], \quad \deg v_k = |v_k| = 2(p^k - 1). \\ H_*(BP) &= HZ_{(p)*}(BP) = Z_{(p)}[n_1, n_2, \dots], \quad \deg n_k = |n_k| = 2(p^k - 1). \end{aligned}$$

The Hurewicz map

$$h^H = (i^H \wedge 1_{BP})_* : \pi_*(BP) \rightarrow H_*(BP)$$

is decided by the formula [5]

$$\begin{aligned} h^H(v_k) &= pn_k - \sum_{0 < s < k} h^H(v_{k-s})^{p^s} n_s. \\ BP_*(BP) &= BP_*[t_1, t_2, \dots], \quad \deg t_k = |t_k| = 2(p^k - 1). \end{aligned}$$

The Thom map  $BP \xrightarrow{\mu} HZ$  induces

$$BP_*(BP) \xrightarrow{\mu} HZ_{(p)*}(BP) = H_*(BP), \quad \mu(t_k) = n_k, \quad \mu(v_k \cdot 1) = 0$$

( $k > 0$ ) and ([10])

$$HZ_{(p)*}(BP) \xrightarrow{\mu_*} (HZ_p)_*(HZ_p), \quad \mu_*(n_k) = c(\xi_k),$$

where  $c$  is the conjugation map of the Hopf algebra  $(HZ_p)_*(HZ_p)$  and  $\xi_k (k=1, 2, \dots)$  are Milnor's basis of a polynomial subalgebra  $Z_p[\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots] \subset (HZ_p)_*(HZ_p)$ .  $BP_*(BP) = BP_* \hat{\otimes}_{Z_{(p)}} \{r_E\}$ , where  $E$  runs through sequences of non-negative integers  $E = (e_1, e_2, \dots)$  in which all but finite number of terms are zero and  $\deg r_E = |E| = |r_E| = 2(\sum_{k \geq 1} e_k(p^k - 1))$ .

**1. BP-analogue of Panov's theorem**

To compute  $\text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,*}(BP_*, BP_*)$  we define some subquotient group of  $H_*(BP)$  and compute this group and next relate this with  $\text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,*}(BP_*, BP_*)$ .

We may regard  $\pi_*(BP)$  as a submodule of  $H_*(BP)$  by the Hurewicz map  $h^H$ . Cohomology operations  $r_E$  act on  $H_*(BP)$  so that we define

$$N = \bigcap_{E \neq 0} r_E^{-1}(\text{Im } h^H) \quad \text{and} \quad N/\text{Im } h^H.$$

We fix a prime  $p$  and discuss the Brown-Peterson spectrum associated with this prime, then for  $n \neq 2k(p-1)$   $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_n = 0$  as  $H_n(BP) = 0$ , thus it remains to decide the groups  $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k(p-1)}$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** *For odd prime  $p$   $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k(p-1)} = Z_{p^{v_p(k)+1}}$  with generator  $v_1^k/p^{v_p(k)+1}$  where  $v_p(k)$  denotes the exponent of highest power of  $p$  dividing  $k$ . For  $p=2$   $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k} = Z_2$  ( $k$ : odd),  $Z_4$  ( $k=2$ ) and  $Z_{2^{v_2(k)+2}}$  ( $k > 2$ , even) with generators  $v_1^k/2$ ,  $v_1^2/4$  and  $v_1^k/2^{v_2(k)+2} + v_1^{k-3}v_2/2$  respectively.*

Similar theorem for  $MU$  spectrum was first computed by Panov [7], and Landweber [6] gave a shortened proof of which  $BP$ -analogue we follow faithfully.

Exponent sequences  $E = (e_1, e_2, \dots)$ ,  $F = (f_1, f_2, \dots)$  are ordered as follows:  $E > F$  if

- (1)  $|E| > |F|$ , or
- (2)  $|E| = |F|$ , and  $n(E) = \sum_{k \geq 1} e_k < n(F)$ , or
- (3)  $E = F$ ,  $n(E) = n(F)$  and there exist a  $k$  such that  $e_k > f_k$ ,  $e_i = f_i$  ( $i > k$ ).

We have that if  $E > E'$  and  $F > F'$  then  $E + F > E' + F'$ , where the sum is componentwise. We say that an element  $a$  of  $N$  has type  $E$  if  $r_E(a) \in (p) = p \cdot \text{Im } h^H$  and  $r_F(a) \in (p)$  for any  $F > E$ , especially  $a$  has type 0 if  $a$  has type  $(0, 0, \dots)$ . If  $a$  has type  $E$ , such a  $E$  is denoted by  $t(a)$ .

**Lemma 1.2.**

- (1)  $v_{k+1}$  has type  $p\Delta_k$  ( $k \geq 1$ ) and  $v_1$  has type 0 (i.e.  $t(v_{k+1}) = p\Delta_k$ ,  $t(v_1) = 0$ ).

- (2)  $r_{\Delta_{k+1}}(v_{k+1})=p.$
- (3)  $t(v^E)=(pe_1, pe_2, \dots)$  where  $E=(e_1, e_2, \dots)$

and  $v^E$  means  $v_1^{e_1}v_2^{e_2}\dots$ .

Using the formula ([10])

$$r_E(n_k) = \begin{cases} n_i, & E = p^i \Delta_j (i+j = k); \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$v_k = pn_k \sum_{0 < s < k} v_{k-s}^{p^s} n_s,$$

the lemma can be proved by a routine induction on  $k$ , so we omit it.

By the above lemma we get  $t(v^E) \neq t(v^F)$  for  $E \neq F$ ,  $|E| = |F|$ .

Theorem 1.1 is divided into three lemmas as Landweber did in  $MU$  case.

**Lemma 1.3.**  $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k(p-1)}$  is cyclic (i.e., has one generator).

**Lemma 1.4.**

- (1)  $v_1^k/p^{v_p(k)+1} \in N_{2k(p-1)}$ , and
- (2) if  $p$  is odd, or  $p=2$  and  $k$  is odd, or  $p=2$  and  $k=2$ , then  $v_1^k/p^{v_p(k)+1}$  represents the generator of  $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k(p-1)}$ .

**Lemma 1.5.** If  $p=2$  and  $k>2$ , then  $v_1^k/2^{v_2(k)+2} + v_1^{k-3}v_2/2$  represents the generator of  $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k}$ .

Proof of Lemma 1.3. Let  $a \in N_{2k(p-1)}$  represent an element of order  $p$  in  $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k(p-1)}$ , then  $pa \in \text{Im } h^H$ . Write  $pa = \lambda v_1^k + \lambda_1 v^{E_1} + \lambda_2 v^{E_2} + \dots + \lambda_i v^{E_i}$  with  $\lambda, \lambda_j \in Z_{(p)}$ ,  $|E_j| = 2k(p-1)$  and  $t(v^{E_1}) < t(v^{E_2}) < \dots < t(v^{E_i})$ . Apply  $r_{t(v^{E_i})}$  to the element  $pa$ . We get  $\lambda_i \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  since  $\lambda_i r_{t(v^{E_i})}(v^{E_i}) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . Next apply  $r_{t(v^{E_{i-1}})}$ . By the same argument we have  $\lambda_{i-1} \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . Continue these argument, then we get  $\lambda_1 \equiv \lambda_2 \equiv \dots \equiv \lambda_i \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . So we conclude

$$pa \equiv \lambda v_1^k \pmod{p}$$

and hence

$$a = \lambda \cdot (v_1^k/p) \text{ in } (N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k(p-1)}.$$

This implies Lemma 1.3.

Proof of Lemma 1.4. (1) We get by induction

$$r_E(v_1^k) = \begin{cases} \binom{k}{e} p^e v_1^{k-e}, & E = e \Delta_1; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

Using the formula ([6], [7])

$$\nu_p\left(\binom{k}{e}\right) = \nu_p(k) - \nu_p(e) \quad \text{for } e \leq p^{\nu_p(k)},$$

we have

$$\nu_p\left(\binom{k}{e} p^e\right) \geq \nu_p(k) + 1.$$

The equality holds for  $e=1$ . Hence

$$v_1^k/p^{\nu_p(k)+1} \in N_{2k(p-1)} \quad \text{and} \quad v_1^k/p^{\nu_p(k)+2} \notin N_{2k(p-1)}.$$

(2) For odd prime  $p$ , or  $p=2$  and  $k$ : odd, or  $p=2$  and  $k=2$ ,  $v_1^k/p^{\nu_p(k)+1}$  has type  $\Delta_1(<t(v^E), |E|=2k(p-1), E \neq k\Delta_1)$  by the above argument.

If 
$$a = \lambda \cdot v_1^k/p^{\nu_p(k)+2} + \sum_{\substack{E=2k(p-1) \\ E \neq k\Delta_1}} \lambda_E \cdot v^E \in N_{2k(p-1)}, \quad \lambda, p\lambda_E \in Z_{(p)},$$

then  $pa$  has type 0 so that  $p|\lambda, p|\lambda_E$  by the same type-argument as the proof of Lemma 1.3. This shows that there is no element  $a$  such that  $v_1^k/p^{\nu_p(k)+1} = pa$  in  $(N/\text{Im } h^H)_{2k(p-1)}$ . This implies Lemma 1.4.

Proof of Lemma 1.5. In case  $p=2$  and  $k>2$ ,

$$\nu_2\left(\binom{k}{e} 2^e\right) = \nu_2(k) + 1 \quad (e = 1, 2)$$

and

$$\nu_2\left(\binom{k}{e} 2^e\right) > \nu_2(k) + 1 \quad (e > 2).$$

These imply that  $v_1^k/2^{\nu_2(k)+1}$  has type  $2\Delta_1$ . After routine computations we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\Delta_1}(v_1^k/2^{\nu_2(k)+1}) &= v_1^{k-1} \equiv r_{\Delta_1}(v_1^{k-3}v_2) \pmod{2} \\ r_{2\Delta_1}(v_1^k/2^{\nu_2(k)+1}) &= v_1^{k-2} \equiv r_{2\Delta_1}(v_1^{k-3}v_2) \pmod{2}. \end{aligned}$$

So we conclude that  $v_1^k/2^{\nu_2(k)+1} + v_1^{k-3}v_2$  has type 0, and thus  $v_1^k/2^{\nu_2(k)+2} + v_1^{k-3}v_2/2 \in N_{2k}$ . Put  $P = v_1^k/2^{\nu_2(k)+2} + v_1^{k-3}v_2/2$ . We decide the type of  $P$  in several steps.  $t(P) = \Delta_2$  or  $t(P) > \Delta_2$  by  $r_{\Delta_2}(P) = v_1^{k-3}$ . The Cartan formula implies  $r_E(P) \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  for  $E > \Delta_2$  and  $E \neq i\Delta_1$ , so that  $t(P) = \Delta_2$  or  $i\Delta_1 (i \geq 4)$ . For  $i \geq 4$

$$r_{i\Delta_1}(P) \equiv \binom{k}{i} 2^i/2^{\nu_2(k)+2} v_1^{k-i} \pmod{2},$$

thus

$$\binom{k}{i} 2^i/2^{\nu_2(k)+2} \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \quad \text{if } \nu_2(k) = 1,$$

and if  $\nu_2(k) \geq 2$

$$\binom{k}{i} 2^i / 2^{\nu_2(k)+2} \equiv \begin{cases} 2^{i-2-\nu_2(i)}, & i \leq \nu_2(k)+2; \\ 0 \pmod{2}, & i > \nu_2(k)+2. \end{cases}$$

This implies that  $t(P) = \Delta_2$  if  $\nu_2(k) = 1$  and  $t(P) = 4\Delta_1$  if  $\nu_2(k) \geq 2$ .

There is no element  $a \in \text{Im } h^H$  such that  $r_E(P) \equiv r_E(a) \pmod{2}$  for any  $E$ . If not,  $a$  is represented by a linear combination of  $v_1^k, v_1^{k-3}v_2$  and  $v_1^{k-6}v_2^2$ , then  $r_{\Delta_2}(a) \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  which contradicts the assumption. This implies Lemma 1.5 and also completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.

Next we lift the group  $(N/\text{Im } h^H)$  to a subquotient group of  $BP_*(BP)$  by Thom map  $BP_*(BP) \xrightarrow{\mu} H_*(BP)$ . We denote by  $(r_E)_*$  the right action of  $r_E$  on  $BP_*(BP)$  which is compatible under Thom map  $\mu$  with the action on  $H_*(BP)$ . We consider the groups

$$N^{BP} = \bigcap_{E \neq 0} (r_E)_*^{-1}(\text{Im } h^{BP}) \text{ and } N^{BP}/\text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1,$$

on which Thom map induces the group homomorphism

$$N^{BP}/\text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1 \xrightarrow{\hat{\mu}} N/\text{Im } h^H.$$

**Theorem 1.6.**  $\hat{\mu}$  is isomorphic.

Proof. In  $BP_*(BP) \otimes Q = BP_* \otimes Q[n_1, n_2, \dots]$

$$\bigcap_{E \neq 0} (r_E)_*^{-1}(0) = BP_* \otimes Q$$

so that in  $BP_*(BP)$

$$\bigcap_{E \neq 0} (r_E)_*^{-1}(0) = BP_* \cdot 1 (= BP_* \otimes 1).$$

We get easily

$$\text{Ker } \mu \cap N^{BP} \subset \bigcap_{E \neq 0} (r_E)_*^{-1}(0) = BP_* \cdot 1$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker } \hat{\mu} &= \{(\text{Im } h^{BP} + \text{Ker } \mu) \cap N^{BP} + \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1\} / \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

so that  $\hat{\mu}$  is monomorphic.

For any prime  $p, h^{BP}(v_1) = v_1 = v_1 \cdot 1 + pt_1$ , and thus

$$v_1^k - v_1^k \cdot 1 = \sum_{1 \leq e \leq k} \binom{k}{e} p^e v_1^{k-e} t_1^e.$$

We get

$$(v_1^k - v_1^k \cdot 1) / p^{\nu_p(k)+1} \in BP_{2k(p-1)}(BP)$$

and

$$(v_1^k - v_1^k \cdot 1) / p^{\nu_p(k)+1} \in N_{2k(p-1)}^{BP}.$$

In case of  $p=2$  and  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$h^{BP}(v_2) = v_2 = v_2 \cdot 1 - 3v_1^2 t_1 - 5v_1 t_1^2 + 2t_2 - 4t_1^3, \quad ([3]).$$

We get

$$\begin{aligned} (v_1^k - v_1^k \cdot 1) / 2^{\nu_2(k)+2} &= (1/2)v_1^{k-1} t_1 + (1/2)v_1^{k-2} t_1^2 + A, \\ (v_1^{k-3} v_2 - (v_1^{k-3} v_2) \cdot 1) / 2 &= (-1/2)v_1^{k-1} t_1 + (-1/2)v_1^{k-2} t_1^2 + B, \end{aligned}$$

where  $A, B \in BP_*(BP)$ , and thus

$$(v_1^k - v_1^k \cdot 1) / 2^{\nu_2(k)+2} + (v_1^{k-3} v_2 - (v_1^{k-3} v_2) \cdot 1) / 2 \in BP_{2k}^{BP}.$$

We have easily

$$(v_1^k - v_1^k \cdot 1) / 2^{\nu_2(k)+2} + (v_1^{k-3} v_2 - (v_1^{k-3} v_2) \cdot 1) / 2 \in N_{2k}^{BP}.$$

These conclude that  $\hat{\mu}$  is epimorphic and complete the proof of Theorem 1.6.

The conjugation map  $c$  of the Hopf algebra  $BP_*(BP)$  induces the isomorphism

$$\hat{c}: N^{BP} / \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1 \rightarrow \bigcap_{B \neq 0} r_E^{-1}(BP_* \cdot 1) / \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1,$$

but  $\hat{c}$  preserves the generators given in Theorem 1.6 up to sign, so that we obtain

**Corollary 1.7.**

$$N^{BP} / \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1 = \bigcap_{B \neq 0} r_E^{-1}(BP_* \cdot 1) / \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1.$$

We next show that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,*}(BP_*, BP_*) &= \bigcap_{B \neq 0} r_E^{-1}(BP_* \cdot 1) / \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_* \cdot 1 \\ &\cong N / \text{Im } h^H. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $S \xrightarrow{i} BP \xrightarrow{p} I$  be the cofibration obtained from the unit  $S \xrightarrow{i} BP, I^{(k)} = I \wedge I \wedge \dots \wedge I$  ( $k$ -factors) and  $d_k$  be the composition  $BP \wedge I^{(k)} \xrightarrow{p \wedge 1} I^{(k+1)} \xrightarrow{B} BP \wedge I^{(k+1)}$  (or equivalently  $BP \wedge I^{(k)} \xrightarrow{B} BP \wedge BP \wedge I^{(k)} \xrightarrow{1 \wedge p \wedge 1} BP \wedge I^{(k+1)}$ ). Then we obtain the geometric resolution of Adams [4]

$$BP \xrightarrow{d_0} BP \wedge I \xrightarrow{d_1} BP \wedge I^{(2)} \xrightarrow{d_2} BP \wedge I^{(3)} \xrightarrow{d_3} \dots,$$

which defines a chain complex of a spectrum  $X$

$$BP_*(X) \xrightarrow{(d_0)_*} (BP \wedge I)_*(X) \xrightarrow{(d_1)_*} (BP \wedge I^{(2)})_*(X) \rightarrow \dots$$

and

$$\text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{k,*}(BP_*, BP_*(X)) = \text{Ker}(d_k)_*/\text{Im}(d_{k-1})_*.$$

For  $X=S^0$ ,  $(d_0)_*=p_*h^{BP}$  and  $(d_1)_*=(p_*\otimes 1)\Psi_I$  where  $BP_*(BP)\xrightarrow{p_*}BP_*(I)=BP_*(BP)/BP_*\cdot 1$  is the canonical projection,  $BP_*(I)\xrightarrow{\Psi_I}BP_*(BP)\otimes_{BP_*}BP_*(I)$  is the coaction map of  $I$  for which

$$\Psi_I(x) = \sum_E t^E \otimes r_E(x).$$

REMARK. This coaction map is twisted by the conjugation map  $c$  of  $BP_*(BP)$  from the one denfied by Adams [2].

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker}(d_1)_* &= \{x \in BP_*(BP)/BP_*\cdot 1 \mid r_E(x) = 0, E \neq 0\} \\ &= \bigcap_{E \neq 0} r_E^{-1}(BP_*\cdot 1)/BP_*\cdot 1, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Im}(d_0)_* = \text{Im } h^{BP}/\text{Im } h^{BP} \cap BP_*\cdot 1 = \text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_*\cdot 1/BP_*\cdot 1.$$

Hence we obtain

**Theorem 1.8.**

$$\text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,*}(BP_*, BP_*) = \bigcap_{E \neq 0} r_E^{-1}(BP_*\cdot 1)/\text{Im } h^{BP} + BP_*\cdot 1.$$

**Corollary 1.9.**

$$\text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,*}(BP_*, BP_*) \stackrel{\hat{\mu}}{\cong} N/\text{Im } h^H.$$

**2. The BP\*-Hopf invariant**

Since  $BP_*(BP)$  is flat over  $BP_*$ ,  $BP_*(BP)$  comodules and  $BP_*(BP)$  comodule homomorphisms form a relative abelian category so that similar construction of Adams [1] is valid for  $BP_*$  homology theory. We review the construction of the  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant quickly; for a morphism  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  of CW-spectra in homotopy category such that  $f_* = 0$ , we have a short exact sequence

$$E(f): 0 \rightarrow BP_*(Y) \rightarrow BP_*(C_f) \rightarrow BP_*(SX) \rightarrow 0,$$

which is regarded as an element of  $\text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,*}(BP_*(X), BP_*(Y))$ . This is the  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant of  $f$ .

For  $X=S^{kq-1}(q=2(p-1))$ ,  $Y=S^0$  the  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant is defined on the whole group  $\pi_{kq-1}(S^0)$ . For a short exact sequence  $E(f)$  we apply the Adams

resolution  $BP \rightarrow BP \wedge I \rightarrow BP \wedge I^{(2)} \rightarrow \dots$  then we obtain a short exact sequence of chain complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & BP_*(S^0) & \rightarrow & (BP \wedge I)_*(S^0) & \rightarrow & (BP \wedge I^{(2)})_*(S^0) \rightarrow \dots \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow i_* & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & BP_*(C_f) & \rightarrow & (BP \wedge I)_*(C_f) & \rightarrow & (BP \wedge I^{(2)})_*(C_f) \rightarrow \dots \\
 & & \downarrow j_* & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & BP_*(S^{kq}) & \rightarrow & (BP \wedge I)_*(S^{kq}) & \rightarrow & (BP \wedge I^{(2)})_*(S^{kq}) \rightarrow \dots \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

Let  $\sigma_{kq} \in BP_{kq}(S^{kq})$  be a generator and  $\delta(\sigma_{kq}) = [i_*^{-1}(d_0)_* j_*^{-1}(\sigma_{kq})] \in \text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,kq}(BP_*, BP_*)$  then the element  $\delta(\sigma_{kq}) = E(f)_*(\sigma_{kq})$  is just the element  $E(f)$  by well known technique of homological algebra. This construction is considered as follows; let  $\sigma_0 = i_*(\sigma_0)$ ,  $\mu_{kq}$  are generators of  $BP_*(C_f)$  of dimension 0, dimension  $kq$  respectively so that  $j_*(\mu_{kq}) = \sigma_{kq}$ , and let  $\eta_R: BP \simeq S \wedge BP \rightarrow BP \wedge BP$  be the Boardman map and put  $\eta_{R^*}(\mu_{kq}) = A_f \sigma_0 + \mu_{kq} (A_f \in BP_*(BP))$ . Then  $A_f$  represents  $E(f)$ . Replacing  $BP \rightarrow BP \wedge BP$  by  $BP \rightarrow H \wedge BP$ , we have the  $BP_* - e$  invariant (or the functional Chern-Dold character) and is equivalent to the  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant by Corollary 1.9.

### 3. Applications

For an element  $f \in \pi_{kq-1}(S^0)$  ( $q=2(p-1)$ ) we get a short exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow (HZ_p)_*(S^0) \rightarrow (HZ_p)_*(C_f) \rightarrow (HZ_p)_*(S^{kq}) \rightarrow 0$  and can choose generators  $\sigma'_0$  and  $\mu'_{kq}$  of  $(HZ_p)_*(C_f)$  such that  $\sigma'_0 = i_*(\sigma'_0)$  and  $j_*(\mu'_{kq}) = \sigma'_{kq}$  where  $\sigma'_n$  is a canonical generator of  $(HZ_p)_*(S^n)$ . Let  $\Psi: (HZ_p)_*(C_f) \rightarrow A_* \otimes (HZ_p)_*(C_f)$  be the coaction, then the definition of the Hopf invariant in the sense of Steenrod is described as follows;  $f \in \pi_{kq-1}(S^0)$  is said to have mod  $p$  Hopf invariant 1 if  $\langle P^k, H_f \rangle \neq 0$ , where  $P^k$  is the Steenrod reduced power (interpreted as  $Sq^{2k}$  if  $p=2$ ) and  $\Psi(\mu'_{kq}) = H_f \sigma'_0 + \mu'_{kq} (H_f \in A_*)$ .

**Theorem 3.1** (Adams, Liulevicius, Shimada-Yamanoshita.) *If  $f$  has mod  $p$  Hopf invariant 1 then*

- (2)  $k=1, 2$  or  $4$  for  $p=2$ ;
- (2)  $k=1$  for odd prime  $p$ .

**Proof.** Consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 BP_*(C_f) & & \xrightarrow{\rho p \mu} & & (HZ_p)_*(C_f) \\
 \downarrow B_* & & \searrow \eta_{R^*} & & \downarrow \Psi \\
 H_*(BP) \otimes H_*(C_f) & \xrightarrow{\mu_* \otimes 1} & A_* \otimes (HZ_p)_*(C_f) & \xrightarrow{c \otimes 1} & A_* \otimes (HZ_p)_*(C_f)
 \end{array}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Psi(\mu'_{kq}) &= \Psi \mu(\mu_{kq}) = (c \otimes 1)(\mu_* \otimes 1)(A_f \sigma'_0 + \mu'_{kq}) \\
 &= H_f \sigma'_0 + \mu'_{kq}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A_f$  is a multiple of  $v_1^k/p^{\nu_p(k)+1} = p^{k-\nu_p(k)-1}n_1^k$  or  $v_1^k/2^{\nu_2(k)+2} + v_1^{k-3}v_2 \times 2^{k-\nu_2(k)-2}n_1^k \pmod{2 \cdot H_{kq}(BP)}$  by Theorem 1.1,  $H_f$  is a multiple of  $p^{k-\nu_p(k)-1}\xi_1^k$  or  $2^{k-\nu_2(k)-2}\xi_1^{2k}$ . In case of an odd prime  $p$   $H_f=0$  for  $k>1$ , in case of  $p=2$  and odd number  $k$   $H_f=0$  for  $k>1$ , in case of  $p=2$  and even  $k$   $H_f=0$  for  $k>4$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

Let  $V(0) = S^0 \cup_p e^1$  then there exists a map  $\phi_k: S^{kq} \rightarrow S^{kq}V(0) \rightarrow V(0)$  such that  $\phi_{k^*}(\sigma_{kq}) = v_1^k \cdot \gamma_0$  where  $\sigma_{kq} \in BP_{kq}(S^{kq})$  and  $\gamma_0 \in BP_0(V(0))$  are generators ([8]).  $\alpha$ -series elements  $\alpha_k (k=1, 2, \dots)$  of  $\pi_{kq-1}(S^0)$  are defined by  $\alpha_k = j\phi_k$  where  $j: V(0) \rightarrow S^1$  is the canonical projection. We detect these elements by means of the  $BP_*$ -Hopf invariant. We have the following diagram of cofibrations;

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 S^0 & \xlongequal{\quad} & S^0 & & & & \\
 \downarrow i & & \downarrow \dots & & & & \\
 S^{kq} & \xrightarrow{\phi_k} & V(0) & \xrightarrow{a} & C_{\phi_k} & \xrightarrow{b} & S^{kq+1} \longrightarrow SV(0) \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow j & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
 S^{kq} & \xrightarrow{\alpha_k} & S^1 & \xrightarrow{c} & C_{\alpha_k} & \xrightarrow{d} & S^{kq+1} \longrightarrow S^2 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 S^1 & \xlongequal{\quad} & S^1 & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

Considering the above diagram following results are obtained;

$$\begin{aligned}
 BP_*(S^n) & \begin{cases} \text{generator; } \sigma_n \\ \text{relations; none,} \end{cases} \\
 BP_*(V(0)) = BP_*(p) & \begin{cases} \text{generator; } \gamma_0 \\ \text{relations; } p\gamma_0 = 0, \end{cases} \\
 BP_*(C_{\phi_k}) & \begin{cases} \text{generators; } a_*(\gamma_0), \lambda_{kq+1} \\ \text{relations; } (p, v_1^k) \cdot a_*(\gamma_0) = 0 \\ \text{formula; } b_*(\lambda_{kq+1}) = p\sigma_{kq+1}, \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$BP_*(C_{\alpha_k}) \begin{cases} \text{generators; } c_*(\sigma_1), \mu_{kq+1} \\ \text{relations; none} \\ \text{formula; } d_*(\mu_{kq+1}) = \sigma_{kq+1}, \end{cases}$$

and the formula

$$h_*(\lambda_{kq+1}) = p\mu_{kq+1} - v_1^k c_*(\sigma_1).$$

The coefficient  $v_1^k$  of  $c_*(\sigma_1)$  is decided up to a multiple of a unit of  $Z_{(p)}$ . The image of these generators of Thom homomorphism are denoted by  $\sigma_n', \gamma_n', \lambda_n'$  and  $\mu_n'$  respectively.

**Theorem 3.2.**

$$e(\alpha_k) = v_1^k/p \text{ in } N/\text{Im } h^H \cong \text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}^{1,kq}(BP_*, BP_*).$$

Proof. By applying the Chern-Dold character  $BP_*(C_{\alpha_k}) \xrightarrow{B_*} (H \wedge BP)_*(C_{\alpha_k})$  to  $\mu_{kq+1}$  we get  $B_*(\mu_{kq+1}) = A_{\alpha_k} c_*(\sigma_1') + \mu'_{kq+1}$ .  $A_{\alpha_k}$  represents  $BP_*-e$  invariant of  $\alpha_k$  in  $N/\text{Im } h^H$ . The computation

$$\begin{aligned} p\mu'_{kq+1} &= h_* B_*(\lambda_{kq+1}) = B_*(p\mu_{kq+1} - v_1^k c_*(\sigma_1)) \\ &= p\mu'_{kq+1} + (pA_{\alpha_k} - v_1^k) c_*(\sigma_1') \end{aligned}$$

implies  $pA_{\alpha_k} = v_1^k$  and this completes the proof.

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