

On the Image $\rho(BP^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X; Z_p))$

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In this paper we study ways to calculate the Brown-Peterson cohomology $BP^*(X)$ localized at a prime p when the Steenrod algebra action on the ordinary mod p cohomology $H^*(X; Z_p) = HZ_p^*(X)$ is known. One of the most difficult problems is to know which elements in $H^*(X)_{(p)}$ are permanent cycles in the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence $H^*(X; BP^*) \Rightarrow BP^*(X)$. This is equivalent to know the image $\rho: BP^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X)_{(p)}$ where ρ is the Thom map.

Cohomology operations on $HZ_p^*(X)$ give some informations about the image. For example if $Q_n x \neq 0$ in $HZ_p^*(X)$, then x is not in Image $\rho(BP^*(X) \rightarrow HZ_p^*(X))$, where Q_n is the Milnor primitive operation. We study the above facts in more general situation.

Let: $\rho: h \rightarrow k$ be a map of spectra. In Section 1, we note the importance of Image $\rho(h^*(k) \rightarrow k^*(k)) = \rho(h, k)$, indeed, if an operation θ is in $\rho(h, k)$, then for each $x \in k^*(X)$, $\theta x \in \text{Image } \rho(h^*(X) \rightarrow k^*(X))$. The image $\rho(P(n), P(m))$ and $\rho(k(n), HZ_p)$ are studied in Section 2. Since $\rho(PB, HZ_p) = 0$, we consider $K(Z, n)$ or $K(Z_n, n)$ as k instead of HZ_p in Section 3. Here we introduce the Tamanoi's results. In Section 4, $\rho(BP, K(Z, 3))$ and $BP^*(K(Z, 3))$ are studied. Applications for finite H -spaces are given in Section 5. For example, in the case $p=2$, let X be a simply connected finite associative H -space and let Q^* be the indecomposable elements in $HZ_2^*(X)$. Then

$$(Q^{2^n+1})^2 \subset \text{Image } \rho(BP^*(X) \rightarrow HZ_2^*(X)/(HZ_2^+(X)^3)).$$

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§ 1. Maps of cohomology theories

Let $\rho: h \rightarrow k$ be a map of spectra and let $k = \{k_n\}$ be the Ω -spectrum, i.e., $k^n(X) \simeq [X, k_n]$. For simplicity of notations, let us write Image $\rho(h^*(k) \rightarrow k^*(k))$ (resp. Image $\rho(h(k_n) \rightarrow k(k_n))$) by $\rho(h, k)$ (resp. $\rho(h, k_n)$).

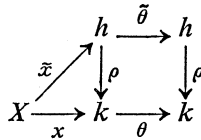
Lemma 1.1. *If $\theta \in \rho(h, k)$ (resp. $\theta \in \rho(h, k_n)$), then for $x \in k^*(X)$ (resp. $x \in k^n(X)$), $\theta x \in \text{Image } \rho(h^*(X) \rightarrow k^*(X))$.*

Proof. Each element $x \in k^n(X)$ is represented by a map $x: X \rightarrow k_n$. Since $\theta \in \rho(h, k_n) = \text{Image } \rho(h^*(k_n) \rightarrow k^*(k_n))$, there is a map $i: k_n \rightarrow h$ such that $\rho i = \theta$. Hence $\theta x = \rho i x$. q.e.d.

It is immediate from the above lemma that if $\theta \in \rho(h, k)$, then $\rho(h, k) \supset \text{Im } \theta = \theta k^*(k)$ but in general, $\rho(h, k) \not\supset k^*(k)\theta$.

Lemma 1.2. *If $\theta \in \rho^{*-1}\rho h^*(h)$ and $x \in \text{Image } \rho(h^*(X) \rightarrow k^*(X))$, then θx is also contained in the Image ρ .*

Proof. Let $\rho^* \theta = \rho \tilde{\theta}$ and $\rho \tilde{x} = x$. Then the following diagram is commutative and we have $\theta x = \rho \tilde{\theta} \tilde{x}$. q.e.d.



Corollary 1.3. *If $\theta \in \rho(h, k)$, then $\rho(h, k) \supset \theta k^*(k) \cup (\rho^{*-1}\rho h(h))\theta$.*

§ 2. BP-module spectra

Let BP be the Brown-Peterson spectrum with the coefficient $BP^* = Z_{(p)}[v_1, \dots]$. Let k be a complex oriented ring spectrum such that k^* is a $Z_{(p)}$ -module. Then from the universal property of BP , there is a map of ring spectra $\rho_k: BP \rightarrow k$. Moreover if p is an odd prime number and k^* is a $BP^*/(p, \dots, v_{n-1})$ -module, then there is a map of BP -module spectra $\rho': P(n) \rightarrow k$ with $\rho_k = \rho' \rho_{P(n)}$. Here $P(n)$ is the BP -module spectrum with the coefficient $P(n)^* = BP^*/(p, \dots, v_{n-1})$ [6], [7].

Examples of k such that $k^*(k)$ are known are not so many, e.g., $P(n)$, $k(n)$ and $P(\infty) = HZ_p$ [6], [8], [9]

$$(2.1) \quad P(n)^*(P(n)) \simeq P(n)^* \otimes_{BP^*} BP^*(BP) \otimes \Lambda(Q_0, \dots, Q_{n-1})$$

$$(2.2) \quad k(n)^*(k(n)) \simeq (k(n)^*\{s_\alpha \mid \alpha_i < p^n\} \oplus B') \otimes \Lambda(Q_0, \dots, Q_{n-1})$$

where B' is some $k(n)^*/(v_n)$ -module (for details see [9]).

Lemma 2.3. *When $p \geq 3$, $h = P(m)$ and $k = P(n)$ for $m < n \leq \infty$,*

- (1) $Q_s \rho = 0$ for $m \leq s$
- (2) $\rho^{*-1}\rho P(m)^*(P(m)) = P(n)^*(P(n))$
- (3) $\rho(P(m), P(n)) = Q_m \cdots Q_{n-1} P(n)^*(P(n)) = P(n)^*(P(n)) Q_m \cdots Q_{n-1}$.

Proof. From the Sullivan exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 P(m)^*(X) & \xrightarrow{v_m} & P(m)^*(X) \\
 \delta_m \swarrow & & \searrow \rho_m \\
 & & P(m+1)^*(X)
 \end{array}$$

and from the fact $\rho\delta = Q_m$, we get $Q_m\rho = 0$ for $k = P(m+1)$. From (2.1) it is easily seen $Q_s\rho = 0$ for $m \leq s < n$ and $k = P(n)$. The formula (2) is proved by (1) and (2.1).

We know (Theorem 3.12 in [8]) that $aQ_m \cdots Q_{n-1} = (\pm)Q_m \cdots Q_{n-1}a$ for $a \in P(n)^*(P(n))$. From the definition of the operation Q_i ,

$$Q_m \cdots Q_{n-1} = \rho_{n-1} \cdots \rho_m \delta_m \cdots \delta_{n-1} \in \rho(P(m), P(n)).$$

Therefore $\rho(P(m), P(n))$ contains the right hand side module in (3). For each element x not contained in the module (3), there is a with $m \leq s < n$ such that $Q_s x \neq 0$. Hence the proof is completed. q.e.d.

Next we consider the case $h = k(n)$ and $k = HZ_p$. From the Sullivan exact sequence, $Q_n \in \rho(k(n), HZ_p)$. Moreover we have the following proposition.

Proposition 2.4. For $p \geq 3$, $\rho(k(n), HZ_p) = \text{Im } Q_n = Q_n HZ_p^*(HZ_p)$.

Proof. Consider the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence $H^*(HZ_p; k(n)^*) \Rightarrow k(n)^*(HZ_p)$. Since the first differential is given by $d^{2p-1}(x \otimes 1) = Q_n x \otimes v_n$, we have $E_{2p^n}^{*,*} = Q_n \mathcal{A} \otimes k(n)^*/(v_n)$ where \mathcal{A} is the Steenrod algebra of the ordinary mod p cohomology. In particular, $E_{2p^n}^{*,t} = 0$ unless $t = 0$. Hence the spectral sequence collapses; $E_{2p^n}^{*,*} = E_\infty$ and the extension is trivial. Thus we obtain $k(n)^*(HZ_p) \simeq Q_n \mathcal{A}$ and the Thom map $\rho: k(n)^*(HZ_p) \rightarrow HZ_p^*(HZ_p)$ maps to $Q_n \mathcal{A}$ because ρ coincides with the edge homomorphism of the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence. q.e.d.

Recall $BP[m, n]$ be the BP -spectrum such that $BP[m, n] = Z_p[v_m, \dots, v_n]$. Then by the Sullivan exact sequence

$$Q_m \cdots Q_n \in \rho(BP[m, n], HZ_p).$$

Corollary 2.5. $\rho(BP[m, n], HZ_p) = \text{Im } Q_m \cdots Q_n$.

Proof. From Proposition 2.4,

$$\rho(BP[m, n], HZ_p) = \bigcap_{i=m}^n \text{Im } Q_i.$$

It is easily seen the right hand side of the above formula is $\text{Im } Q_m \cdots Q_n$ in \mathcal{A} . q.e.d.

§ 3. The image $\rho(BP, K(Z, n))$

From Lemma 2.3, we have $\rho(BP, HZ_p) = 0$. Hence when $k = BP$ and $h = HZ_p$, we need to consider the Ω -spectrum, that is, k_n is the Eilenberg MacLane space $K(Z_p, n)$ (or $K(Z, n)$). Tamanoi decided $\rho(BP, K(Z_p, n))$ and $\rho(BP, K(Z, n))$ for $p \geq 3$ completely in [4] by using Wilson and Ravenel-Wilson results.

Theorem 3.1 (S. Wilson [5]). *For $k \leq 2(p^n + \cdots + p + 1)$*

$$BP^k(X) \cong BP\langle n \rangle^k(X) \times \prod_{j \geq n+1} BP\langle j \rangle^{k+2(p^j-1)}(X)$$

where $BP\langle n \rangle$ is the BP -spectrum with the coefficient $BP\langle n \rangle \cong Z_{(p)}[v_1, \dots, v_n]$.

Define \mathcal{S}_n^m to be the set of sequences

$$s = \{(s_1, \dots, s_n) \mid 0 < s_1 < s_2 < \cdots < s_n < m, s_i \in Z\}$$

and $\dim s = 2(1 + p^{s_1} + \cdots + p^{s_n})$.

Theorem 3.2 (Ravenel-Wilson [3]). *For $p \geq 3$ and $n \geq 3$, there exist x_s, y_s with $|x_s| = |y_s| = \dim s$ such that*

- (1) $K(m)^*(K(Z, n)) \cong K(m)^*[[x_s \mid s \in \mathcal{S}_{n-2}^m]]$
- (2) $K(m)^*(K(Z_p, n-1)) \cong K(m)^*[y_s \mid s \in \mathcal{S}_{n-2}^m] / (y_s^{p^m - 3 - s_n - 2})$.

Theorem 3.3 (Tamanoi [4]). *For $p \geq 3$ and $n \geq 3$,*

- (1) $\rho(BP, K(Z, n)) = Z_p[Q_s \tau \mid s \in \mathcal{S}_{n-2}^\infty]$
- (2) $\rho(BP, K(Z_p, n-1)) = Z_p[Q_s Q_0 \iota \mid s \in \mathcal{S}_{n-2}^\infty]$

where τ, ι are the fundamental classes and $Q_s = Q_{s_{n-2}} \cdots Q_{s_1}$ for $s \in \mathcal{S}_{n-2}^\infty$.

Since Tamanoi's proof is written in Japanese, we introduce its outline here. We prove only the case $X = K(Z, n)$ and the other case is proved by the similar methods.

Outline of the proof of Theorem 3.3. It follows that $\{Q_s \tau \mid s \in \mathcal{S}_{n-2}^\infty\}$ generates a polynomial algebra by some computation of the Steenrod algebra on a product of Lens spaces.

By the inductive definition of Q_n , we can show

$$Q_s \tau = \mathcal{P}_s Q_{n-2} \cdots Q_1 \tau$$

where \mathcal{P}_s is expressed by a sum of reduced powers. From the Sullivan exact sequence, we get $x = Q_{n-2} \cdots Q_1 \tau \in \rho(BP \langle n-2 \rangle, K(Z, n))$ and let $\rho(\bar{x}) = x$. The dimension of x is just $2p^{n-2} + \cdots + 2p + 2$. Wilson's theorem says $\bar{x} \in \text{Image } \rho(BP^*(X) \rightarrow BP \langle n-2 \rangle^*(X))$. Therefore $x = \rho(\bar{x}) \in \rho(BP, K(Z, n))$. Since $\rho^{*-1}\rho(BP^*(BP)) = \mathcal{A}$ for $\rho: BP \rightarrow HZ_p$, we get $Q_s \tau \in \rho(BP, K(Z, n))$.

For $m > n$, consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} BP^*(X) & \xrightarrow{\rho_2} & k(m)^*(X) \xrightarrow{l} K(m)^*(X) \\ \downarrow \rho_1 & \nearrow & \nwarrow \rho_3 \\ HZ_p^*(X) & & \end{array}$$

Here recall $l\rho_2(r_s x) = x_s$ where $r_s \in BP^*(BP)$ is the operation such that $\rho_1(r_s) = \mathcal{P}_s$. From Ravenel-Wilson theorem, for a given $w \in BP^*(X)$ we can take $\lambda^\alpha, v_m^\alpha$ such that

$$y = w - \sum_{s, \alpha} \lambda^\alpha v_m^\alpha (r_s x)^\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad l\rho_2(y) = 0,$$

where $(r_s x)^\alpha$ are monomials in $Z[r_s x]$. Hence $v_m^K \rho_2(y) = 0$ for some large K and so $v_m^{K-1} \rho_2(y)$ is v_m -torsion. But non zero element of dimension $< 2(p^m - 1)$ is v_m -torsion free. Indeed, from the Sullivan exact sequence, if there exists an element of dimension t as above, then there is a non zero element in $HZ_p^{t-2p^{m+1}}(X)$. Take m to be larger than $\dim s$. Then $\rho_2(y) = 0$ and

$$\rho_1(w) = \rho_1\left(\sum_{s, \alpha} \lambda^\alpha v_m^\alpha (r_s x)^\alpha\right) = \sum_{s, v_m^\alpha = 1} \lambda^\alpha (Q_s \tau)^\alpha. \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Corollary 3.4. Let $p \geq 3$ and $BP(S)$ be the spectrum of the coefficient $BP^*/(S)$ where $S = (a_1, \dots, a_m)$, $a_i \in BP^*$. Then

- (1) $\beta(BP(S), K(Z, n)) = \rho(BP, K(Z, n))$,
- (2) $\rho(BP(S), K(Z_p, n)) = \rho(PB, K(Z_p, n))$.

§ 4. $BP^*(K(Z, 3))$ and its application

In this section we consider the case $K = K(Z, 3)$ more carefully and consider also the case $p = 2$. The mod p cohomology of K is well known

$$(4.1) \quad A = HZ_p^*(K(Z, 3)) \cong Z_p[b_1, b_2, \dots] \otimes A(c_0, c_1, \dots)$$

where $c_n = \mathcal{P}^{p^n-1} \cdots \mathcal{P} \tau$, $\delta c_n = b_n$, ($n \geq 1$) and $|c_n| = 2p^n + 1$. For $p = 2$, $A \cong Z_p[c_0, \dots]$ where $c_n = Sq^{2^n} \cdots Sq^2 \tau$, $c_0 = \tau$. Let $\delta c_n = b_n$. Then $b_n = c_{n-1}^2$ and in order to avoid separating cases, we think (4.1) is the isomor-

phism of associated graded algebras filtered by the polynomial algebra of b_i . Moreover for $p=2$, let $Q_m = Sq^{4m}$ be the Milnor basis.

Lemma 4.2. *In $HZ_p^*(K)$, $Q_m b_n = 0$ and $Q_m c_m = 0$,*

$$Q_m c_n = Q_n c_m = (b_{n-m})^{p^m} \quad \text{for } n > m > 0.$$

Proof. See Lemma 3.4.1 in [11]. The similar arguments prove the lemma for $p=2$. q.e.d.

Lemma 4.3. *Ker Q_m in A is isomorphic to*

$$Z_p[b_1, \dots] \cdot (\text{Im } Q_m \bigoplus_{n=1}^m \bigotimes A(c_{m+n} - b_n^{p^m - p^{m-n}} c_{m-n}) \otimes A(c_m)).$$

Proof. The algebra A is a tensor product of subalgebras

$$\begin{aligned} Z_p[b_n] \otimes A(c_{m+n}) & \quad \text{if } n > m \\ Z_p[b_n] \otimes A(c_{m+n}, c_{m-n}) & \quad \text{if } n \leq m \end{aligned}$$

and $A(c_m)$. Here each subalgebra is closed under the action of Q_m . The cohomology of the above subalgebras of the differential Q_m are

$$\begin{aligned} Z_p[b_n]/(b_n^{p^m}), \\ Z_p[b_n]/(b_n^{p^m - p^{m-n}}) \otimes A(c_{m+n} - b_n^{p^m - p^{m-n}} c_{m-n}) \end{aligned}$$

and $A(c_m)$. Therefore $H(A; Q_m)$ is the tensor product of the above cohomology. The lemma is proved from the fact $\text{Ker } Q_m = \text{Im } Q_m \oplus H(A; Q_m)$. q.e.d.

For each cohomology theory h , let $F_s = \text{Ker}(h^*(X) \rightarrow h^*(X^{s-1}))$ where X^s is an s -dimensional skeleton of X . We give $h^*(X)$ the topology by this filtration F_s .

Corollary 4.4. *$k(n)^*(K)/F_{2p^{n-2}}$ is generated by b_1, \dots, b_{n-1} as a $k(n)^*$ -algebra. In particular $\rho(BP, K) = Z_p[b_1, \dots]$.*

Proof. Consider the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence of $k(n)^*(K)$. The first non zero differential is $d_{2p^{n-1}} = v_n \otimes Q_n$.

$$E_{2p^n}^{*,*} \simeq k(n)^* \otimes H(A; Q_n) \oplus (k(n)^*/v_n) \otimes \text{Im } Q_n.$$

From Lemma 4.3 and from the fact b_i 's are permanent cycles, we have the first assertion. Since $\rho(BP, K) \subset \bigcap_n \rho(k(n), K)$, the second assertion is also proved, by using Wilson's theorem. q.e.d.

Proposition 4.5. For $p \geq 3$, as a BP-algebra, $BP^{4*}(K)/F_{2p^5+2p^4}$ is generated by $\tilde{b}_1, \dots, \tilde{b}_5$ with $\rho(\tilde{b}_i) = b_i$.

Proof. Let $B = Z[b_1, \dots]$. Then note that $(BP^* \otimes B)^i = 0$ if $i \not\equiv 0 \pmod 4$. If $P(1)^*(K)/F$ is generated by B as a $P(1)^*$ -module, then for each BP^* -module generator $x \in BP^*(K)$, we can take $b \in BP^* \otimes B$ so that $x - b \in pBP^*(K)$. Therefore we can take b for x . Hence we need only prove the above proposition for $P(1)^*(K)$.

Assume $0 \neq ax \in E_2^{*,*}$ is a permanent cycle for $a \in P(1)^*$, $x \in HZ_p^{4*}(K)$ in the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence of $P(1)^*(K)$. The first non zero differential is $d_{2p-1} = v_1 \otimes Q_1$. Hence from Lemma 4.3,

$$x \in A(c_1, c_2 - b_1^{p-1}c_0) \otimes B \oplus \text{Image } Q_1.$$

Since $|c_i| = 2p^i + 1$ and $|x| = 4n$, we have $x \in \text{Im } Q_1$ and so $0 \neq a \in P(1)^*/v_1 P(2)^*$.

Next compare spectral sequences of $P(1)^*(K)$ and $P(2)^*(K)$. Let $\rho: P(1) \rightarrow P(2)$ be the natural map. Then $d_{2p^2-1}\rho(ax) = av_2 \otimes Q_2x$. The facts that ax is permanent and $0 \neq a \in P(2)^*$, implies $Q_2x = 0$.

A $4m$ -dimensional element which is of the lowest dimensional in Image Q_1 and is not in B is

$$Q_1(c_0c_1c_2c_3c_4).$$

But this element is not in Ker Q_2 . It is necessary

$$|x| \geq |Q_1(c_0c_1c_2c_4c_5)|$$

for $x \in \text{Ker } Q_2$ and $|x| = 4n$.

q.e.d.

Question 4.6. As a BP^* -algebra $BP^*(K)$ is generated by $\tilde{b}_1, \tilde{b}_2, \dots$?

We recall the main lemma in [11], which is also proved by Tamanoi using only stable homotopy theories.

Theorem 4.7. Let $\sum v_j b_j = 0$ in $BP^*(X)$. Then there is $y \in HZ_p^*(X)$ such that $Q_j(Y) = \rho(b_j)$.

Remark. The above theorem is valid also for $p=2$.

Proposition 4.8. The relations in $BP^{4*}(K)/F_{2p^5+2p^4}$ are given by

- (1) $p\tilde{b}_n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} v_i \tilde{b}_{n-i} + \sum_{i=1} v_{n+i} \tilde{b}_i^{p^n} \pmod{(p, v_1, \dots)^2}$,
- (2) relations in $(p, v_1, \dots)^2$.

Moreover we have

- (3) $\tilde{b}_i = -r_{pd_i-1} \tilde{b}_1 \pmod{(p, \dots)^2}$.

Proof. Since $\text{Ker } \rho(BP^{4*}(K) \rightarrow HZ_p^{4*}(K))/F_{2(p^5+p^4)} = \text{Ideal}(p, v_1, \dots)$, that $pb_n = 0$ in $E_{\infty}^{*,*}$ in the spectral sequence of $BP^*(K)$ implies that there is a relation

$$p\tilde{b}_n + \dots = 0.$$

The element a with $Q_0a = b_n$ is uniquely determined by c_n . From Theorem 4.7, we have the relations (1). This fact also follows (1) and (2) generate relations.

Operate the Quillen operation $r_{pd_{i-1}}$ on $v_1\tilde{b}_1 + v_2\tilde{b}_2 + \dots = 0$. The fact $r_{pd_{i-1}}v_j = v_1$ if $i=j$ and $=0 \pmod{(p, \dots)^2}$ if $i \neq j$, implies the formula (3).
q.e.d.

Theorem 4.9. *Let $x \in H^3(X; Z)$. Then for mod p reduction \bar{x} , $Q_i(\bar{x}) \in \text{Image } \rho(BP^*(X) \rightarrow HZ_p^*(X))$ and $\sum_{i \geq 1} v_i \tilde{b}_i = 0$ with $\rho(\tilde{b}_i) = Q_i(\bar{x})$. Moreover if $p \geq 3$, there are relations (1)–(3) in Proposition 4.8.*

§ 5. Finite H -spaces

In this section we always assume X to be a simply connected finite associative H -space.

Consider the case $p \geq 3$. Assume that $Q^{2n} \neq 0$ for at most two n 's where $Q^* = HZ_p^*(X)/HZ_p^+(X) \cdot HZ_p^+(X)$. (All known examples hold the above fact.) Then Kane's theorem says [1]

$$|Q^{\text{even}}| = (2p+2) \text{ or } (2p+2, 2p^2+2)$$

and for each $b_1 \in Q^{2p+2}$ (resp. $b_2 \in Q^{2p^2+2}$) there are $b_2 \in Q^{2p^2+2}$ (resp. $b_1 \in Q^{2p+2}$) and $x \in Q^3$ such that $Q_1x = b_1$ and $Q_2x = b_2$. Therefore we have the following theorem from Theorem 4.9.

Theorem 5.1. *If $p \geq 3$ and $Q^{2n} \neq 0$ for at most two n 's, then $Q^{\text{even}} \subset \text{Image } \rho(BP^*(X) \rightarrow Q^*)$ and for each $b_1 \in Q^{2p+2}$ there are \tilde{b}_1 and $\tilde{b}_2 \in BP^*(X)$ such that $v_1\tilde{b}_1 + v_2\tilde{b}_2 = 0$, moreover $\tilde{b}_2 = -r_{pd_1}\tilde{b}_1$ modulo $(p, \dots)^2 \cup F_{2(p^5+p^4)}$.*

When $p=2$, we consider elements in Q^{2n+1} . By Lin [2] $Q^{2n+1} = Sq^{2n-1}Q^{2n-1+1}$. Then it is easily seen $(Q^{2n+1})^2 = Q_{n-1}Q^3$. We also have the following theorem from Theorem 4.9.

Theorem 5.2. *For $p=2$,*

$$(Q^{2n+1})^2 \subset \text{Image } \rho(BP^*(X) \rightarrow HZ_2^*(X)/HZ_2^+(X)^3)$$

and for each $x \in Q^3$ there are \tilde{b}_i such that $\sum v_i \tilde{b}_i = 0$ and $\rho(\tilde{b}_i) \in (Q^{2i+1})^2$.

As an example we consider the exceptional Lie group E_8 . The mod 3 cohomology is

$$HZ_3^*(E_8) \cong Z_3[x_8, x_{20}]/(x_8^3, x_{20}^3) \otimes A(x_3, \dots).$$

Hence there are \tilde{b}_1, \tilde{b}_2 in $BP^*(E_8)$ such that $\rho(\tilde{b}_1) = x_8, \rho(\tilde{b}_2) = x_{20}$

$$v_1\tilde{b}_1 + v_2\tilde{b}_2 = 0, \quad r_{p^4}(\tilde{b}_1) = -\tilde{b}_2 \text{ mod } (p, \dots)^2.$$

The mod 2 cohomology of E_8 is

$$HZ_2^*(E_8) \cong Z_2[x_3, x_5, x_9, x_{15}]/(x_3^{16}, x_5^8, x_9^4, x_{15}^4) \otimes A(x_{17}, \dots).$$

Then there are $\tilde{b}_i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$ such that

$$v_1\tilde{b}_1 + v_2\tilde{b}_2 + v_3\tilde{b}_3 = 0 \text{ mod } (v_4, v_5, \dots)$$

with $\rho(\tilde{b}_1) = x_3^2, \rho(\tilde{b}_2) = x_5^2, \rho(\tilde{b}_3) = x_9^2$.

By Using Theorem 4.9 and arguments similar to [10], we can prove the following theorem. (While $P(n)^*(X), K(n)^*(X)$ have not good commutative product, we use the associated graded algebras filtered by F_s , which have good product.)

Theorem 5.3. *There are BP^* -module isomorphisms for $p = 2$*

- (1) $BP^*(G_2) \cong BP^*\{1, 2x_3, x_3^2x_5\} \oplus BP^*\{x_3^3, x_3^2x_5\}/(2x_3^3 + v_1x_3^2x_5) \oplus BP^*/(2, v_1)\{x_3^2\}.$
- (2) $BP^*(F_4) \cong BP^*(G_2) \otimes A(x_{15}, x_{23}),$
- (3) $BP^*(E_6) \cong BP^*(F_4) \otimes A(x_9, x_{17}).$

Proof. The cohomology of the exceptional Lie group G_2 is

$$HZ_2^*(G_2) \cong Z_2[x_3]/(x_3^4) \otimes A(x_5).$$

Using the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence, we can prove the theorem. q.e.d.

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