HERMITIAN K-THEORY OF MONOID RINGS AND THE RING OF INTEGERS IN A FINITE EXTENSION OF \mathbb{Q}_2

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ABSTRACT. In this work, we give two applications of Karoubi's fundamental theorem of hermitian K-theory. We prove some isomorphisms in L-theory of monoid rings and the ring of integers in a finite extension of \mathbb{Q}_2 .

1. INTRODUCTION

Let A be a regular ring and M be a commutative cancellative torsion free and c-divisible monoid for some c > 1. In [1], Joseph Gubeladze showed that for $i \in \mathbb{N}$, if

then

$$K_i(A) \simeq K_i(A[M]),$$

$$K_i(A) \simeq K_i(A[M]/AI)$$

for all proper radical ideals I of M. He also showed that if in addition, there exists an integer p such that $\mathbb{Z}_{+}^{p} \subset M \subset \mathbb{Q}_{+}^{p}$, then

$$K_i(A) \simeq K_i(A[M])$$

for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Here, \mathbb{Z}_+ will denote the additive monoid of nonnegative integers and \mathbb{Q}_+ that of nonnegative rationals. In the first part of this work, we suppose that F is a commutative field of characteristic different from 2 provided with the trivial involution, M is a *c*-divisible monoid for some natural c > 1 such that $\mathbb{Z}_+^p \subset M \subset \mathbb{Q}_+^p$ ($p \in \mathbb{N}$), and J is a proper ideal of M such that F.Jis maximal in F[M], and the field F[M]/F.J has a characteristic different from 2. We prove that if

$$_{1}L_{0}(F) \simeq {}_{1}L_{0}(F[M]/F.J)$$
 and $_{1}L_{1}(F) \simeq {}_{1}L_{1}(F[M]/F.J),$

then

$$\varepsilon L_n(F) \simeq \varepsilon L_n(F[M]/F.J)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\varepsilon = \pm 1$.

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In [5], Panin proved that for the ring of integers D in a local field K/\mathbb{Q}_2 with maximal ideal M, the natural homomorphism

$$K_i(D; \mathbb{Z}/2^n) \longrightarrow \underline{\lim} K_i(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$$

is an isomorphism for all positive i and n. In the second part of this work, we prove that if there exists an integer $r \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the groups

$$_{\varepsilon}L_r(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$$
 and $_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$

are finite,

$${}_{\varepsilon}L_{r}(D;\mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \simeq \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon}L_{r}(D/M^{j};\mathbb{Z}/2^{n})$$

and ${}_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D;\mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \simeq \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D/M^{j};\mathbb{Z}/2^{n}),$

then

$${}_{\varepsilon}L_q(D;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)\simeq \underline{\lim}_{\varepsilon}L_q(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$$

for all $q \geq r$.

2. Review of Known Facts

2.1. Here we recall some results obtained by using the algebraic suspension SA of a ring A.

Definition 2.1. The cone of A, called CA, is the set of infinite matrices such that in each row and each column, we have a finite number of non-zero elements in A. Clearly, CA is a ring by matrix multiplication. We define the suspension SA of A as the quotient of CA by the two-sided ideal of finite matrices (i.e. whose entries are 0, except for a finite number). This definition may be iterated and $S^n(A)$ will denote the nth suspension of A.

Remark 2.2. If A is a hermitian ring, we endow SA with the following involution

$$\overline{M} =^t \overline{M}.$$

Theorem 2.3. [6] Let A be a unitary ring. We have a natural homotopy equivalence

$$\Omega BGL(SA)^+ \sim K_0(A) \times BGL(A)^+$$

The group $K_0(A)$ is endowed with the discrete topology. In particular, for every $n \ge 1$, we have

$$K_n(SA) \simeq K_{n-1}(A).$$

Theorem 2.4. [2] Let A be a hermitian ring. We have a natural homotopy equivalence

$$\Omega B_{\varepsilon} O(SA)^+ \sim {}_{\varepsilon} L_0(A) \times B_{\varepsilon} O(A)^+$$

The group ${}_{\varepsilon}L_0(A)$ is endowed with the discrete topology. In particular, for every $n \ge 1$, we have

$$\varepsilon L_n(SA) \simeq \varepsilon L_{n-1}(A).$$

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These theorems are used to define groups K_n and εL_n for all n < 0. For a unitary ring (resp. hermitian ring) A and n < 0, we set

$$K_n(A) = K_0(S^{-n}A)$$
 (resp. ${}_{\varepsilon}L_n(A) = {}_{\varepsilon}L_0(S^{-n}A)$)

2.2. Let A be a hermitian ring. The hyperbolic functor [2] induces a group homomorphism

$$K_0(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_0(A)$$

and the homomorphism

$$GL_n(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} O_{n,n}(A)$$

defined by the following correspondence

$$M \longrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cc} M & 0 \\ 0 & {}^t \overline{M^{-1}} \end{array} \right)$$

induces a map

$$BGL(A)^+ \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} O(A)^+.$$

Ì We denote ${}_{\varepsilon}\mathcal{U}(A)$ the homotopic fiber of the map

$$K_0(A) \times BGL(A)^+ \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_0(A) \times B_{\varepsilon}O(A)^+.$$

Similarly, the forgetful functor [2] induces a group homomorphism

$$_{\varepsilon}L_0(A) \longrightarrow K_0(A)$$

and the natural inclusions

$$O_{n,n}(A) \longrightarrow GL_{2n}(A)$$

induce a map

$$B_{\varepsilon}O(A)^+ \longrightarrow BGL(A)^+.$$

We denote $_{\varepsilon}\mathcal{V}(A)$ the homotopic fiber of the map

$$_{\varepsilon}L_0(A) \times B_{\varepsilon}O(A)^+ \longrightarrow K_0(A) \times BGL(A)^+.$$

Theorem 2.5. [3] Let A be a hermitian ring containing in its center an element λ , such that $\lambda + \overline{\lambda} = 1$. Then there exists a natural homotopy equivalence between $\Omega_{\varepsilon}\mathcal{U}(A)$ and $_{-\varepsilon}\mathcal{V}(A)$.

For $n \ge 0$, we let

$$_{\varepsilon}U_n(A) = \pi_n(_{\varepsilon}\mathcal{U}(A)) \text{ and } _{\varepsilon}V_n(A) = \pi_n(_{\varepsilon}\mathcal{V}(A)).$$

For n < 0 we let

$$_{\varepsilon}U_n(A) = _{\varepsilon}U_0(S^{-n}A) \text{ and } _{\varepsilon}V_n(A) = _{\varepsilon}V_0(S^{-n}A).$$

For every $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have

$$\varepsilon U_{n+1}(A) = -\varepsilon V_n(A).$$

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We also have the following long exact sequences.

$$\cdots \longrightarrow K_{n+1}(A) \longrightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}V_n(A) \longrightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}L_n(A) \longrightarrow K_n(A) \longrightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}V_{n-1}(A) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

$$\cdots \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_{n+1}(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} U_n(A) \longrightarrow K_n(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_n(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} U_{n-1}(A) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

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Definition 3.1. Let M be a commutative monoid. M is called cancellative if, for all a, b and $c \in M$, ab = ac implies that b = c.

Definition 3.2. A monoid M is called c-divisible for some $c \in \mathbb{N}$ if, for any $x \in M$, there exists $y \in M$ for which cy = x.

Remark 3.3. If A is a hermitian ring. We endow A[M] with the following involution:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i m_i = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \overline{a_i} m_i.$$

Later, \mathbb{Z}_+ will denote the additive monoid of nonnegative integers and \mathbb{Q}_+ that of nonnegative rationals.

Theorem 3.4. [1] Let A be a unitary ring and M be a commutative cancellative torsion free and c-divisible monoid for some c > 1. The equality

$$K_i(A) \simeq K_i(A[M])$$

implies

$$K_i(A) \simeq K_i(A[M]/AI)$$

where $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and I is an arbitrary proper radical ideal of M.

Theorem 3.5. [1] Let A be a regular ring, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, and c > 1 a natural number. Then for an intermediate c-divisible monoid $\mathbb{Z}_{+}^{p} \subset M \subset \mathbb{Q}_{+}^{p}$, we have the natural isomorphisms

$$K_i(A) \simeq K_i(A[M])$$

where $i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Theorem 3.6. Let A be a hermitian regular ring containing in its center an element λ , such that $\lambda + \overline{\lambda} = 1$, c > 1 a natural number, and M an intermediate c-divisible monoid $\mathbb{Z}_{+}^{p} \subset M \subset \mathbb{Q}_{+}^{p}$. Let $r \in \mathbb{Z}$, and suppose that

$$_{\varepsilon}L_r(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}L_r(A[M])$$
 and $_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(A[M])$

Then

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$$_{\varepsilon}L_n(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}L_n(A[M])$$

for all $n \geq r$.

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Proof. For all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ the homomorphism

$$A \longrightarrow A[M]$$

induces the following diagrams of long exact sequences.

 $\rightarrow K_{n+1}(A)$ — $\rightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}V_n(A) \longrightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}L_n(A) \longrightarrow K_n(A) \rightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}V_{n-1}(A)$ - $\rightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}U_n(A) \longrightarrow K_n(A) \longrightarrow {}_{\varepsilon}L_n(A) \longrightarrow$ $\cdots \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_{n+1}(A)$ $\rightarrow \varepsilon U_{n-1}(A) -$ Consider the following diagram of exact sequences.

We deduce that for any ε ,

$$_{\varepsilon}V_r(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}V_r(A[M])$$

Then we have

$$U_{r+1}(A) \simeq {}_{\varepsilon}U_{r+1}(A[M]).$$

۶ We proceed now by induction on n. Assume that

$$_{\varepsilon}L_n(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}L_n(A[M])$$
 and $_{\varepsilon}U_n(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}U_n(A[M]).$

The diagram of exact sequences

$$K_{n+1}(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_{n+1}(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} U_n(A) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} K_n(A)$$

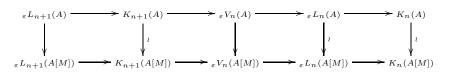
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$$K_{n+1}(A[M]) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_{n+1}(A[M]) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} U_n(A[M]) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} K_n(A[M])$$

prove that the homomorphism

$$\varepsilon L_{n+1}(A) \longrightarrow \varepsilon L_{n+1}(A[M])$$

is surjective. Consider the following diagram.



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We deduce that for any ε

$$_{\varepsilon}V_n(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}V_n(A[M]).$$

Consequently, we have

$$\varepsilon U_{n+1}(A) \simeq \varepsilon U_{n+1}(A[M]).$$

Finally, consider the diagram of exact sequences.

It follows that

$$_{\varepsilon}L_{n+1}(A) \simeq _{\varepsilon}L_{n+1}(A[M]).$$

The theorem follows.

Theorem 3.7. Let F be a field of characteristic different from 2 provided with the trivial involution, M an intermediate c-divisible monoid $\mathbb{Z}_{+}^{p} \subset M \subset \mathbb{Q}_{+}^{p}$, and J a proper ideal of M such that F.J is maximal in F[M], and the field F[M] F.J has a characteristic different from 2. If

$$_{1}L_{0}(F) \simeq {}_{1}L_{0}(F[M]/F.J)$$
 and $_{1}L_{1}(F) \simeq {}_{1}L_{1}(F[M]/F.J),$

then

$$_{\varepsilon}L_n(F) \simeq _{\varepsilon}L_n(F[M]/F.J)$$

for all $n \ge 0$ and $\varepsilon = \pm 1$.

Proof. Since

$$K_n(F) \simeq K_n(F[M])$$

we have, according to Theorem 3.4, an isomorphism

$$K_n(F) \simeq K_n(F[M]/F.J)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. On the other hand, we have

$$_{-1}L_0(F) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \simeq _{-1}L_0(F[M]/F.J)$$
 (see [2], p. 6)
 $_{-1}L_1(F) = _{-1}L_1(F[M]/F.J) = 0$ (see [2], p. 96)

Then we prove the result by proceeding as in Theorem 3.6.

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4. Hermitian K-theory with Coefficients of the Ring of Integers in a Finite Extension of \mathbb{Q}_2

Let X be a topological space. For $n \geq 2$, $\pi_n(X; \mathbb{Z}/l)$ will denote the *n*th homotopy group of X with coefficients in \mathbb{Z}/l .

Definition 4.1. Let A be a unitary (resp. hermitian) ring. For all $n \ge 2$, we let

 $K_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) = \pi_n(BGL(A)^+;\mathbb{Z}/l) \quad (resp. \ _{\varepsilon}L_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) = \pi_n(B_{\varepsilon}O(A)^+;\mathbb{Z}/l)).$

For n < 2, we let

$$K_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) = K_2(S^{2-n}A;\mathbb{Z}/l) \quad (resp. \ _{\varepsilon}L_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) =_{\varepsilon} L_2(S^{2-n}A;\mathbb{Z}/l)).$$

Definition 4.2. Let A be a hermitian ring. For $n \ge 2$, we let

$$_{\varepsilon}U_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) = \pi_n(_{\varepsilon}\mathcal{U}(A);\mathbb{Z}/l) \quad and \quad _{\varepsilon}V_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) = \pi_n(_{\varepsilon}\mathcal{V}(A);\mathbb{Z}/l).$$

For n < 2, we let

$$_{\varepsilon}U_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) =_{\varepsilon} U_2(S^{2-n}A;\mathbb{Z}/l) \text{ and } _{\varepsilon}V_n(A;\mathbb{Z}/l) =_{\varepsilon} V_2(S^{2-n}A;\mathbb{Z}/l).$$

Note that for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have

$${}_{\varepsilon}U_n(SA;\mathbb{Z}/l)\simeq_{\varepsilon}U_{n-1}(A;\mathbb{Z}/l), \quad {}_{\varepsilon}V_n(SA;\mathbb{Z}/l)\simeq_{\varepsilon}V_{n-1}(A;\mathbb{Z}/l)$$

and

$$\varepsilon U_{n+1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \simeq_{-\varepsilon} V_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/l).$$

We also have the following long exact sequences.

 $\cdots \longrightarrow K_{n+1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \varepsilon V_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \varepsilon L_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \kappa n(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \varepsilon V_{n-1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \cdots$ $\cdots \longrightarrow \varepsilon L_{n+1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \varepsilon U_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow K_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \varepsilon L_n(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \varepsilon U_{n-1}(A; \mathbb{Z}/l) \longrightarrow \cdots$

Theorem 4.3. [5] Let p be a prime integer and K/\mathbb{Q}_p a finite field extension. Let $D \subset K$ be the ring of integers in K, and M its maximal ideal. Then for all $r \geq 0$ and $n \geq 1$, we have the following statements.

- 1. The group $K_r(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/p^n)$ is finite for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$.
- 2. The natural homomorphism

$$K_r(D; \mathbb{Z}/p^n) \longrightarrow \underline{lim} K_r(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/p^n)$$

is an isomorphism.

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Theorem 4.4. Let K/\mathbb{Q}_2 be a finite field extension with involution. Let $D \subset K$ be the ring of integers in K containing in its center an element λ , such that $\lambda + \overline{\lambda} = 1$, and M its maximal ideal such that D and M are invariant by the involution. Suppose that there exists $r \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the groups ${}_{\varepsilon}L_r(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ and ${}_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ are finite, $\varepsilon = \pm 1$, and $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Then for all $q \geq r$, the groups ${}_{\varepsilon}U_q(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$, ${}_{\varepsilon}V_q(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ and ${}_{\varepsilon}L_q(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ are finite.

Proof. Consider the following exact sequence.

$$_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n) \xrightarrow{\alpha'_{r+1}} {}_{\varepsilon}U_r(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n) \xrightarrow{\alpha_r} K_r(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n).$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} |_{\varepsilon} U_r(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)| &= |ker\alpha_r| |Im\alpha_r| \\ &= |Im\alpha'_{r+1}| |Im\alpha_r| \end{aligned}$$

Since the groups ${}_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ and $K_r(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ are finite, the group ${}_{\varepsilon}U_r(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ is finite.

We proceed now by induction on q. Assume that ${}_{\varepsilon}L_q(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ is finite. The following exact sequence

$$K_{q+1}(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} V_q(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_q(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$$

proves that for any ε the group $\varepsilon V_q(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ is finite. Hence for any ε , the group $\varepsilon U_{q+1}(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ is also finite. Finally, consider the exact sequence

$$K_{q+2}(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} L_{q+2}(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n) \longrightarrow_{\varepsilon} U_{q+1}(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n).$$

It follows that the group ${}_{\varepsilon}L_{q+2}(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ is finite. The theorem follows. \Box

Theorem 4.5. Under the conditions of Theorem 4.4, assume moreover that

$${}_{\varepsilon}L_{r}(D;\mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \simeq \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon}L_{r}(D/M^{j};\mathbb{Z}/2^{n})$$

and ${}_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D;\mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \simeq \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon}L_{r+1}(D/M^{j};\mathbb{Z}/2^{n}).$

Then

$$_{\varepsilon}L_q(D;\mathbb{Z}/2^n) \simeq \underline{\lim}_{\varepsilon}L_q(D/M^j;\mathbb{Z}/2^n)$$

for all $q \geq r$.

Proof. Since for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$ and $q \geq r$, the groups ${}_{\varepsilon}U_q(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$, ${}_{\varepsilon}V_q(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$, $K_q(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$, and ${}_{\varepsilon}L_q(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$ are finite, then the following long sequences

 $\cdots \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} K_{r+1}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} V_{r}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} L_{r}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} K_{r}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n})$

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 $\cdots \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} L_{r+1}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} U_{r}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} K_{r}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n}) \longrightarrow \underbrace{\lim}_{\varepsilon} L_{r}(D/M^{j}; \mathbb{Z}/2^{n}).$ are exact. \Box

The proof of this theorem is completely analogous to that of Theorem 3.6. We only have to replace $K_n(A)$, $\varepsilon L_n(A)$, ..., by $K_n(D; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$, $\varepsilon L_n(D; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$, and $K_n(A[M])$, $\varepsilon L_n(A[M])$, ..., by $\varprojlim K_n(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$, and $\lim \varepsilon L_n(D/M^j; \mathbb{Z}/2^n)$.

Remark 4.6. The same statements of Theorem 4.4 and 4.5 are true for odd prime p, but the case p = 2 is more interesting. The case p odd is an immediate consequence of the periodicity theorem for odd torsion of the Witt groups [4].

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