

CONIVEAU SPECTRAL SEQUENCES OF CLASSIFYING SPACES FOR EXCEPTIONAL AND SPIN GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. Let k be an algebraically closed field of $ch(k) = 0$ and G be a simple simply connected algebraic group G over k . By using results of cohomological invariants, we compute the coniveau spectral sequence for classifying spaces BG .

1. INTRODUCTION

Let G be a simple simply connected algebraic group over an algebraically closed field k in \mathbb{C} . The cohomological invariant $Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ is (roughly speaking) the ring of natural maps $H^1(F; G) \rightarrow H^*(F; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ for finitely generated field F over k . (For detailed definition and properties, see the book [Ga-Me-Se] by Garibaldi, Merkurjev and Serre.)

Let BG be the classifying space of G . Totaro showed that

$$Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong H^0(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$$

where $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$ is the cohomology of the Zarisky sheaf induced from the presheaf $H_{et}^*(V; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ for open subsets V of X . This sheaf cohomology is also the E_2 -term

$$E_2^{*,*'} \cong H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'}) \implies H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)$$

of the coniveau spectral sequence by Bloch-Ogus [Bl-Og].

We restrict to consider a group G such that it has only one conjugacy class of nontoral maximal elementary abelian p -group A . For exceptional cases, $G = G_2, F_4, E_6$ for $p = 2$, $G = F_4, E_6, E_7$ for $p = 3$, and $G = E_8$ for $p = 5$. We also consider groups $Spin_n$, $n \geq 7$.

Let $W_G(A)$ be the Weyl group of G for A . Then by using Rost, Serre and Garibaldi's results [Ga], we easily see that

$$Res_{Inv} : Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong Inv^*(A; \mathbb{Z}/p)^{W_G(A)}$$

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for cases of the above groups except for $(E_6, p = 2)$ and $(Spin_n, p = 2)$, $n \geq 10$.

Let Q_i be the Milnor operation and let

$$Q(n) = \Lambda(Q_0, \dots, Q_n).$$

We easily see that operations Q_i can extend on $H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$ for these fields k . In particular, $H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)^{W_G(A)}$ has also the $Q(\infty)$ -module structure. We can prove that for the above cases except for $(E_7, p = 3)$, the invariant is generated as $Q(\infty)$ -algebras by elements in $Res(Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p))$ and $Res(H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)) = Res(CH^*(BG)/p)$. (Moreover it is a direct sum of free $Q(n)$ -modules.)

These facts imply the following theorem.

Theorem 1.1. *Let $G = G_2, Spin_n (7 \leq n \leq 9), F_4$ for $p = 2$, $G = F_4, E_6$ for $p = 3$, or $G = E_8$, $p = 5$. Then the following restriction map*

$$Res_{E_2} : H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*) \rightarrow H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)^{W_G(A)}$$

is an epimorphism.

For $(E_7, p = 3)$, the map Res_{E_2} is not epic, while Res_{Inv} is epic.

We note that the restriction map

$$Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/p} : H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p)^{W_G(A)}$$

is not an epimorphism for $p \geq 3$, while $H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$ as algebras. (Indeed, BG is 3-connected but $H^0(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^3) \neq 0$.) Note also that the right hand side invariant and $Im(Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/p})$ are computed by Kameko-Mimura [Ka-Mi] for odd primes p .

When $p = 2$, the maps $Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/2}$ are even isomorphic except for the case E_6 . However note ([Or-Vi-Vo])

$$H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*) \cong gr H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[y_1, \dots, y_n] \otimes \Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

with $\beta x_i = y_i$ but $y_i \neq x_i^2 = 0$ as the cases $p = odd$. So we know

$$Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/2} \cong gr(H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2)^{W_G(A)}) \subsetneq H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)^{W_G(A)}$$

for the above groups.

The arguments seem something subtle and we give here an example, the case $G = G_2$ and $p = 2$. Then $A \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^3$ and $W_G(A) \cong GL_3(\mathbb{Z}/2)$, moreover

$$H^*(BG_2; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2)^{W_G(A)} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[w_4, w_6, w_7] \quad |w_i| = i.$$

The cohomological invariant is known by Rost and Serre

$$Inv^*(G_2; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\{1, u_3\} \quad |u_3| = 3$$

where $u_3 = x_1x_2x_3$ in $H^0(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^3)$. From Mui and Kameko-Mimura results [Ka-Mi], we can show

$$H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\prime})^{W_G(A)} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\})$$

where $Q_0Q_1Q_2(u_3) = c_7$, $\deg(c_i) = (i, i)$ (and $w_i^2 = c_i$ in $H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2)$). These c_i are represented by Chern classes, and hence Res_{E_2} is an epimorphism.

Of course $u_3 \notin Res_{HZ/2}$, and moreover we see

$$H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\prime})^{W_G(A)} / Res_{HZ/2} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6]\{u_3\}.$$

For example, we have

$$Q_0(u_3) = w_4, \quad Q_1(u_3) = w_6, \quad Q_0Q_1(u_3) = w_7, \quad Q_2(u_3) = w_4w_6.$$

Here u_3 does not exist in $H^*(BG_2; \mathbb{Z}/2)$, and hence $d_r(u_3) = y \neq 0$ for some $r \geq 2$ and $y \in H^*(BG_2; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$ in the coniveau spectral sequence. We can see this $r = 2$.

Theorem 1.2. *We have the epimorphism (as bidegree $Q(2)$ -modules) from $H^*(BG_2; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\prime})$ onto*

$$\begin{aligned} & H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\prime})^{W_G(A)} \oplus (H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\prime})^{W_G(A)} / Res_{HZ/2})(-1)[2] \\ & \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1, y\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\}) \end{aligned}$$

where $(-1)[2]$ is the degree shift operation so that $\deg(y) = (2, 2)$. Moreover $d_2(u_3) = y$ in the coniveau spectral sequence.

Moreover if the Gottlieb transfer exists in the motivic cohomology, then the above epimorphism is indeed isomorphism. The similar fact also holds for $G = Spin_7$ and $p = 2$.

Note that y in the above theorem, is a ($\text{mod}(p)$) Griffith element, namely,

$$y \in Ker(\text{cycle map} : CH^*(BG)/p \rightarrow H^{2*}(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)).$$

Each non zero element in $(H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\prime})^{W_G(A)} / Res_{HZ/p})$ of $\deg = (* - 2, * + 1)$ corresponds to a Griffith element of $\deg = (*, *)$. So we can construct many Griffith elements in $CH^*(BG)/p$ for the above groups G .

An outline of this paper is following. In §2, we recall the relation between the motivic cohomology $H^{*,*}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ and the sheaf cohomology $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\prime})$. In §3, we show that $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\prime})$ has the Q_i -action. In §4, we recall the cohomological invariant and give a sufficient condition such that Res_{E_2} is epic when $Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ is known. In §5, we study the Dickson invariant for $H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\prime})$ using Q_i actions by Kameko-Mimura. In §6 – §8, we compute $H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\prime})$ for concrete cases,

e.g., $(G_2, p = 2)$ is studied in §6. In §9, we study the relation between $H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$ and the Brown-Peterson theory $BP^*(BG)$. In the last section, we study the image of Griffith elements to $BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/p$, in particular, for $(Spin_9, p = 2)$.

2. MOTIVIC COHOMOLOGY

Let X be a smooth (quasi projective) variety over a field $k \subset \mathbb{C}$. Let $H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ be the $mod(p)$ motivic cohomology defined by Voevodsky and Suslin ([Vo1-3]).

Recall that the $(mod\ p)$ $B(n, p)$ condition holds if

$$H^{m,n}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong H_{et}^m(X; \mu_p^{\otimes n}) \quad \text{for all } m \leq n.$$

Recently M.Rost and V.Voevodsky ([Vo5],[Su-Jo],[Ro]) proved that $B(n, p)$ condition holds for each p and n . Hence the Bloch-Kato conjecture also holds. Therefore in this paper, we *always assume* the $B(n, p)$ -condition and also the Bloch-Kato conjecture for all n, p .

Moreover we always assume that k contains a primitive p -th root of unity. For these cases, we see the isomorphism $H_{et}^m(X; \mu_p^{\otimes n}) \cong H_{et}^m(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$. Let τ be a generator of $H^{0,1}(Spec(k); \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p$, so that

$$colim_i \tau^i H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong H_{et}^*(X; \mathbb{Z}/p).$$

Let $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$ be the sheaf cohomology where $H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^n$ is the Zarisky sheaf induced from the presheaf $H_{et}^n(V; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ for open subset V of X .

Let $X = \bigcup U_\lambda$ for Zarisky open sets U_λ . The sheaf cohomology $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$ is defined as the colimit of the cohomology of the following Čech complex

$$(2.1) \quad \rightarrow \prod \Gamma_{(i_1, \dots, i_n)} \xrightarrow{\delta} \prod \Gamma_{(j_1, \dots, j_{n+1})} \rightarrow$$

$$\text{where } \Gamma_{(i_1, \dots, i_n)} = \Gamma(U_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_n}; H^*(U_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap U_{i_n}; \mathbb{Z}/p)^a)$$

and where $H^*(-; \mathbb{Z}/p)^a$ is a sheafification of the presheaf $H^*(-; \mathbb{Z}/p)$. Here δ is induced map from the inclusions $U_i \cap U_j \subset U_i$, $U_i \cap U_j \subset U_j$.

The Beilinson and Lichtenbaum conjecture (hence $B(n, p)$ -condition) (see [Vo2,5]) implies the exact sequences of cohomology theories

Theorem 2.1. ([Or-Vi-Vo], [Vo5]) *There is a long exact sequence*

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow H^{m,n-1}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) &\xrightarrow{\times \tau} H^{m,n}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \\ &\rightarrow H^{m-n}(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^n) \rightarrow H^{m+1,n-1}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \xrightarrow{\times \tau} \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we have

Corollary 2.2. *We have the additive isomorphism*

$$H^{m-n}(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^n) \cong H^{m,n}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)/(\tau) \oplus \text{Ker}(\tau) \mid H^{m+1, n-1}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$$

where $H^{m,n}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)/(\tau) = H^{m,n}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)/(\tau H^{m, n-1}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p))$.

Note that the long exact sequence in Theorem 2.1 induces the τ -Bockstein spectral sequence

$$E(\tau)_1 = H^{m-n}(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^n) \implies \text{colim}_i \tau^i H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong H_{et}^*(X; \mathbb{Z}/p).$$

On the other hand, the filtration *coniveau* is given by

$$N^c H_{et}^m(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) = \cup_Z \text{Ker}\{H_{et}^m(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H_{et}^m(X - Z; \mathbb{Z}/p)\}$$

where Z runs in the set of closed subschemes of X of *codim* = c . The induced spectral sequence is called the coniveau spectral sequence. Bloch-Ogus [Bl-Og] proved that its E_2 -term is given by

$$E(c)_2^{c, m-c} \cong H^c(X, H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{m-c}).$$

By Deligne (foot note (1) in Remark 6.4 in [Bl-Og]) and Paranjape (Corollary 4.4 in [Pj]), it is proven that there is an isomorphism of the coniveau spectral sequence with the Leray spectral sequence for the natural map of the sites. Hence we have ;

Theorem 2.3. *(Deligne, Paranjape) There is the isomorphism $E(c)_r^{c, m-c} \cong E(\tau)_{r-1}^{m, m-c}$ for $r \geq 2$ of spectral sequences. Hence the filtrations are the same $N^c H_{et}^m(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) = F_\tau^{m, m-c}$ where*

$$F_\tau^{m, m-c} = \text{Im}(\times \tau^c : H^{m, m-c}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H^{m, m}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)).$$

3. COHOMOLOGY OPERATION

Let $t_{\mathbb{C}} : H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H^*(X(\mathbb{C}); \mathbb{Z}/p)$ be the realization map ([Vo1]) for the inclusion $k \subset \mathbb{C}$. The motivic cohomology has (Bockstein, reduced powered) cohomology operations ([Vo2,4])

$$\beta : H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H^{*+1, *'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$$

$$P^i : H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H^{*+2i(p-1), *'+i(p-1)}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$$

which are compatible with the usual (topological) cohomology operations by the realization map $t_{\mathbb{C}}$. Voevodsky defines the Milnor operation Q_i also in the mod p motivic cohomology

$$Q_i : H^{*,*'}(-; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H^{*+2p^i-1, *'+p^i-1}(-; \mathbb{Z}/p).$$

Here we define the weight degree by

$$w(x) = 2n - m \text{ (resp. } = n' - m')$$

for $0 \neq x \in H^{m,n}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ (resp. $H^{m'}(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{n'})$). Similarly, we also define the weight degree for cohomology operations and differentials of spectral sequences, e.g.,

$$w(\tau) = 2, \quad w(P^i) = 0, \quad w(Q_j) = -1.$$

Let $\rho_p = (\xi_p) \in k^*/(k^*)^p = H^{1,1}(\text{Spec}(k); \mathbb{Z}/p)$ where ξ_p is the primitive p -th root of unity. The Q_i operation has the same property as the topological case only with $\text{mod}(\rho_2)$. For example, Q_i is a derivative only $\text{mod}(\rho_2)$.

Let A_p be the mod p Steenrod algebra generated by all cohomology operations on $H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$. (Voevodsky proved that A_p is multiplicatively generated by elements in $H^{*,*'}(\text{Spec}(k); \mathbb{Z}/p)$, P^j and Q_i .)

Lemma 3.1. *Suppose $\rho_p = 0$. Then the Steenrod algebra A_p acts on the étale cohomology $H^*(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$.*

Proof. In $H^{*,*'}(\text{Spec}(k); \mathbb{Z}/p)$, we know

$$P^i(\tau) = 0 \text{ for } i > 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta(\tau) = \rho_p = 0.$$

When $p \geq 3$, the Cartan formula holds in the motivic cohomology (Proposition 9.6 in [Vo4]), and we have

$$P^i(\tau x) = \tau P^i(x) \text{ for } i > 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta(\tau x) = \tau \beta(x).$$

From the $B(n, p)$ condition, $H_{\text{ét}}^*(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) = \text{colim}_i \tau^i H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p)$, which implies the lemma.

For $p = 2$, we also know from Proposition 9.6 in [Vo4],

$$Sq^{2^*}(xy) = \sum_i Sq^{2^i}(x) Sq^{2^*-2^i}(y) + \tau \sum_i Sq^{2^i+1}(x) Sq^{2^*-2^i-1}(y),$$

$$Sq^{2^*+1}(xy) = \sum_j Sq^j(x) Sq^{2^*+1-j}(y) + \rho_2 \sum_i Sq^{2^i+1}(x) Sq^{2^*-2^i-1}(y).$$

Since $\rho_2 = 0$, we see $Sq^{2^i+1}(\tau) = 0$, and so $Sq^*(\tau x) = \tau Sq^*(x)$. This also induces the lemma. \square

Theorem 3.2. *Suppose $\rho_p = 0$. Then the cohomology operation Q_i and P^i can be extended on the τ -Bockstein spectral sequence and so on the coniveau spectral sequence E_r , $r \geq 2$ (e.g., on $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$).*

Proof. In the stable \mathbb{A}^1 -homotopy category $SHot$, let $H\mathbb{Z}/p$ be the Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum representing the mod p motivic cohomology

$$H^{*,*'}(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong \text{Hom}_{SHot}(X, S^{*,*'} \wedge H\mathbb{Z}/p)$$

where $S^{*,*'}$ is the sphere of bidegree $(*, *')$.

Let $op. = Q_i$ or P^i of bidegree (m, n) . Consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} S^{0,1} \wedge H\mathbb{Z}/p & \xrightarrow{\times\tau} & H\mathbb{Z}/p & \xrightarrow{\rho} & cone \\ op. \downarrow & & op. \downarrow & & \\ S^{m,n+1} \wedge H\mathbb{Z}/p & \xrightarrow{\times\tau} & S^{m,n} \wedge H\mathbb{Z}/p & \xrightarrow{\rho} & S^{m,n} \wedge cone. \end{array}$$

Here $cone$ is the mapping cone of τ so that

$$H^{*+*'}(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'}) \cong Hom_{SHot}(X, S^{*,*'} \wedge cone).$$

In the above diagram, we see $\rho \cdot op. \cdot \tau = 0$. Hence there is a map $op'. : cone \rightarrow S^{m,n} \wedge cone$ such that $\rho \cdot op. = op'. \cdot \rho$. \square

Here we do not see yet that A_p acts on E_r , e.g., we do not see that Q_i generates the exterior algebra $Q(\infty)$. However when $r = 2$, the following theorem holds.

Lemma 3.3. *Let k be an algebraically closed field. Then the Steenrod algebra A_p acts on $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$.*

Proof. Recall that $H^*(X; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$ is defined as the cohomology of the Čech complex. Given $op. \in A_p$, by the universality of sheafification, the following diagram from (2.1) is commutative

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \prod \Gamma_{(i_1, \dots, i_n)} & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \prod \Gamma_{(j_1, \dots, j_{n+1})} \\ op. \downarrow & & op. \downarrow \\ \prod \Gamma_{(i_1, \dots, i_n)} & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \prod \Gamma_{(j_1, \dots, j_{n+1})}. \end{array}$$

Thus we have the desired result. \square

Let us write $H^{*,*'} = H^{*,*'}(Spec(k); \mathbb{Z}/p)$ and $H^* = K_M^*(k)/p$ so that $H^{*,*'} \cong H^*[\tau]$. (Note if k is algebraically closed, $H^{*,*'} \cong \mathbb{Z}/p[\tau]$.) For an elementary abelian p -group $A = A_n \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p)^n$, the $mod(p)$ motivic cohomology is given by Voevodsky ([Vo2,4])

$$H^{*,*'}(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong H^{*,*'}[y_1, \dots, y_n] \otimes \Delta(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

with $x_i^2 = y\tau + x\rho_2$ for $p = 2$ and $x_i^2 = 0$ otherwise.

Since $Ker(\tau)|_{H^{*,*'}(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p)} = 0$, from Corollary 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'}) &\cong H^{*,*}(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p) / (\tau H^{*,*'-1}(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p)) \\ &\cong H^*[y_1, \dots, y_n] \otimes \Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad (mod(\rho_2)) \end{aligned}$$

for all primes p . Each Q_i is a derivation $mod(\rho_2)$, and hence

$$Q_0 \dots Q_{s-1}(x_1 \dots x_s) = \sum sgn(j_1, \dots, j_s) y_1^{p^{j_1}} y_2^{p^{j_2}} \dots y_s^{p^{j_s}} \neq 0 \quad mod(\rho_2)$$

where (j_1, \dots, j_s) are permutations of $(0, \dots, s-1)$.

Let us write

$$Q(n) = \Lambda(Q_0, \dots, Q_n),$$

$$\bar{Q}(n) = Q(n) - \mathbb{Z}/p\{Q_0 \dots Q_n\} = \mathbb{Z}/p\{Q_{i_0} \dots Q_{i_s} \mid 0 \leq i_k \leq n, s < n\}.$$

Let $u_i = x_1 \dots x_i \in H^0(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^i)$. For example, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'}) &\supset H^*[y_1, \dots, y_n] \otimes (\oplus_i \bar{Q}(i-1)\{u_i\}) \\ &\supset \oplus_i H^*[y_1, \dots, y_i] \otimes Q(i-1)\{u_i\} \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

since $Q_0 \dots Q_{i-1}(u_i) \in H^*[y_1, \dots, y_i]\{y_1 \dots y_i\}$. In sections bellow, we show that the last sum $(*)$ of free $Q(i-1)$ -modules contains $H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})^{W_G(A)}$, as a direct summand, for many cases of G . (See Assumption (1) in §4.)

4. COHOMOLOGICAL INVARIANT

Let G be a linear algebraic group over k . Recall that $H^1(k; G)$ is the first non abelian Galois cohomology set of G , which represents the set of G -torsors over k . The cohomology invariant is defined by

$$\text{Inv}^i(G, \mathbb{Z}/p) = \text{Func}(H^1(F; G) \rightarrow H^i(F; \mathbb{Z}/p))$$

where Func means natural functions for each field F which is finitely generated over k . (For details for the definition or properties, see the book [Ga-Me-Se].)

Totaro proved [Ga-Me-Se] the following theorem in the letter to Serre.

Theorem 4.1. (Totaro) $\text{Inv}^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong H^0(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$.

Hereafter (throughout this paper), we assume that k is an *algebraically closed* field in \mathbb{C} . Moreover, in this paper, we only consider *simple simply connected* groups G which have the following property. we assume that the algebraic group G has only *one* conjugacy class A of non toral maximal elementary abelian p -subgroups. Exceptional groups are

$$G = \begin{cases} G_2, F_4, E_6 & \text{for } p = 2 \\ F_4, E_6, E_7 & \text{for } p = 3 \\ E_8 & \text{for } p = 5. \end{cases}$$

For spin groups Spin_n , we consider the cases $n \leq 9$ only in this paper.

We consider the restriction maps (of cohomology) to A and the maximal torus T_G

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_{H\mathbb{Z}/p} : H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p) &\xrightarrow{i^*} H^*(BT_G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \times H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p) \\ &\xrightarrow{\text{pr.}} H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p)^{W_G(A)}. \end{aligned}$$

By the Quillen's theorem the above i^* has nilpotent kernel. More strongly, Toda, Kono, Tezuka and Kameko show i^* is really injective, namely, $H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ is detected by A and T_G . Moreover when $p = 2$, $Res_{HZ/2}$ are isomorphic except the case E_6 . However $Res_{HZ/p}$ is not epic for $p \geq 3$.

On the other hand, by Serre, Rost and Garibaldi([Ga-Me-Se],[Ga]), $Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ are computed for these groups, e.g.,

$$Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_3\} & \text{for } (G_2, E_6, p = 2), (F_4, E_7, p = 3), \\ & (E_8, p = 5) \\ \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_3, u_4\} & \text{for } (Spin_7, p = 2), (E_6, p = 3) \\ \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_3, u_4, u_5\} & \text{for } (Spin_9, p = 2) \\ \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_3, u_4, u'_4, u_5\} & \text{for } (Spin_8, p = 2) \\ \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_3, u_5\} & \text{for } (F_4, p = 2). \end{cases}$$

(Moreover Rost and Garibaldi determined $Inv^*(Spin_n; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ for $n \leq 12$).

For these groups, we note (Ga-Me-Se],[Ga]) the the restriction

$$Res_{Inv} : Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow Inv^*(A; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong \Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

is injective (identifying $u_i = x_1 \dots x_i$ and $u'_4 = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_5$). We will show the following theorem in §6 – 8 bellow (by computations of concrete cases)

Theorem 4.2. *Let G be an above type except for $G = E_6$ and $p = 2$. Then*

$$Res_{Inv} : Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong Inv^*(A; \mathbb{Z}/2)^{W_G(A)}.$$

Remark. When $G = E_6$ and $p = 2$, the above Res_{Inv} is not epic.

We want to extend above isomorphism in the theorem to say that

$$Res_{E_2} : H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*) \rightarrow H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)^{W_G(A)}$$

is an epimorphism. (Of course for $p \geq 3$ the above map is not injective.) We will prove the following assumption (in the sections bellow) for the above groups except for $(E_6, p = 2)$ and $(E_7, p = 3)$. (When $G = Spin_8$, some modification of Assumption (1) holds.)

Assumption When $Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_{i_1}, \dots, u_{i_m}\}$, there is a bidegree isomorphism

$$(1) \quad H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)^{W_G(A)} \cong \bigoplus_{s=1}^m \mathbb{Z}/p[f_{s1}, \dots, f_{sk_s}] \otimes Q(i_s - 1)\{u_{i_s}\}$$

$$(2) \quad f_{st} \in Res_{HZ/p}(H^{2*,*}(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)) = Res(CH^*(BG)/p)$$

for all $1 \leq s \leq m$, $1 \leq t \leq k_s$.

If this assumption is satisfied then $H^*(BA; H^*)^{W_G(A)}$ is generated as bidegree $Q(\infty)$ -algebra by u_{i_s} and $Res(CH^*(BG)/p)$. Hence the surjectivity of Res_{E_2} is immediate.

Lemma 4.3. *If Assumption (1),(2) are satisfied, then*

$$Res_{E_2} : H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*) \rightarrow H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)^{W_G(A)}$$

is an epimorphism.

Thus we can prove Theorem 1.1 in the introduction. As for the statements of differential and (Griffith elements), the following lemma is useful.

Lemma 4.4. *Let $Res_{Inv}(a) \neq 0$ for $a \in Inv^i(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) = H^0(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$. (Namely, the above element is a permanent cycle in the coniveau spectral sequence.) Moreover let*

$$Q_{j_1} \dots Q_{j_{i-3}}(a) \notin H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p).$$

Then $d_2(a) = y \neq 0 \in H^2(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{i-1})$ in the coniveau spectral sequence, and elements

$$Q_{j_1} \dots Q_{j_{i-3}}(y) \neq 0 \in CH^*(BG)/p = H^{2*,*}(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)$$

are Griffith elements (i.e., in the kernel of $CH^{2}(BG)/p \rightarrow H_{et}^{2*}(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)$).*

Proof. Take $q = Q_{j_1} \dots Q_{j_{i-3}}(a)$. Since q does not exist in $H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)$, we see $d_r(q) \neq 0$ in the spectral sequence for some r .

This $r = 2$ because the following reason of weight degree. First note

$$w(d_r) = wt(1, 1 - r) = 2(1 - r) - 1 = 1 - 2r.$$

Since $w(q) = w(a) - (i - 3) = 3$, we have

$$w(d_r(q)) = 3 + 1 - 2r = 4 - 2r.$$

If $r \geq 3$, then the above weight is negative and $d_r(q) = 0$.

This implies that $d_2(a) \neq 0$. Otherwise

$$d_2(q) = d_2(Q_{j_1} \dots Q_{j_{i-3}} a) = Q_{j_1} \dots Q_{j_{i-3}}(d_2(a)) = 0,$$

which is a contradiction. \square

5. DICKSON INVARIANT

At first we assume $p \geq 3$. Dickson computed the ring of invariants of $\mathbb{Z}/p[y_1, \dots, y_n]$ with respect to the action of $GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)$. The ring of invariants is a polynomial algebra

$$D_n = \mathbb{Z}/p[y_1, \dots, y_n]^{GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)} \cong \mathbb{Z}/p[c_{n,0}, \dots, c_{n,n-1}]$$

where the generators are given by the equation

$$\mathcal{O}_n(X) = \prod_{y \in \mathbb{Z}/p\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}} (X + y) = X^{p^n} + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-j} c_{n,j} X^{p^j}.$$

Let $reg : A \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ be the regular representation and $c(reg)$ the total Chern class. Then it is well known that

$$c(reg) = \mathcal{O}_n(1) = 1 - c_{n,n-1} + \dots + (-1)^n c_{n,0}.$$

We also note the following lemma.

Lemma 5.1. (*Lemma 2.3, 2.4 in [Ka-Ya2]*) *Let $\rho : A_n \rightarrow GL_m(\mathbb{C})$ be an representation such that $c(\rho) \in H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p)^{SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)}$. Then $c(\rho) = c(reg)^a$ for some $a \geq 0$.*

For the invariant ring SD_n under $SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} SD_n &= \mathbb{Z}/p[y_1, \dots, y_n]^{SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)} \\ &\cong D_n\{1, e_n, \dots, e_n^{p-2}\} \quad \text{with } e_n^{p-1} = c_{n,0} \\ &\cong D'_n \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p[e_n] \quad \text{with } D'_n = \mathbb{Z}/p[c_{n,1}, \dots, c_{n,n-1}]. \end{aligned}$$

Mui computed the ring of invariants of

$$H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p[y_1, \dots, y_n] \otimes \Lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

with respect to the action of $SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)$. (In fact, Mui studied $H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ for odd prime p , however we study $H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$ for all primes.) Of course $u_n = x_1 \dots x_n$ is invariant under $SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)$. In terms of Milnor's operation, we may state Mui's result in the following form.

Theorem 5.2. (*Mui[Mu], Kameko-Mimura [Ka-Mi]*)

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)^{SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)} &\cong \mathbb{Z}/p[e_n, c_{n,1}, \dots, c_{n,n-1}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/p\{1\} \oplus \bar{Q}(n-1)\{u_n\}) \\ &\cong D'_n \oplus SD_n \otimes Q(n-1)\{u_n\} \end{aligned}$$

where $Q_0 \dots Q_{n-1} u_n = e_n$.

The Q_i -operation acts on u_n as follows.

Lemma 5.3. (*Kameko-Mimura [Ka-Mi], [Ka-Ya1]*) *For $x \in H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$, it holds*

$$(Q_n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-i} c_{n,i} Q_i)(x) = 0, \quad Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_i \dots Q_n(u_n) = c_{n,i} e_n.$$

Let $U_n \subset SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)$ be the maximal unipotent subgroup generated by upper triangular matrices with diagonals 1, so that U_n is a Sylow p -subgroup of $SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)$. The invariant under this group is given by Mui, Kameko-Mimura.

Theorem 5.4. (*Kameko-Mimura Theorem 4.2 in [Ka-Mi]*) Let $G' \subset GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p)$ such that $\mathbb{Z}/p[y_1, \dots, y_n]^{G'} \cong \mathbb{Z}/p[f_1, \dots, f_n]$ and

$$H^*(BA_n; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\ast'})^{G'} \cong \mathbb{Z}/p[f_1, \dots, f_n]\{v_1 = 1, \dots, v_{2^n}\}.$$

Then the invariant under $G = \langle G', U_{n+1} \rangle \subset GL_{n+1}(\mathbb{Z}/p)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & \mathbb{Z}/p[y_1, \dots, y_{n+1}]^G \cong \mathbb{Z}/p[f_1, \dots, f_n, \mathcal{O}_n(y_{n+1})] \\ (2) \quad & H^*(BA_{n+1}; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\ast'})^G \cong \\ & \mathbb{Z}/p[f_1, \dots, f_n, \mathcal{O}_n(y_{n+1})] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/p\{v_1, \dots, v_{2^n}\} \oplus Q(n-1)\{u_{n+1}\}). \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 5.5.

$$H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{\ast'})^{U_n} \cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^n \mathbb{Z}/p[\mathcal{O}_0(y_1), \dots, \mathcal{O}_{i-1}(y_i)] \otimes Q(i-1)\{u_i\}.$$

Corollary 5.6. (*Lemma 5.8 in [Ka-Ya]*)

$$\mathcal{O}(y_{n+1})u_n = (Q_n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-i} c_{n,i} Q_i)(u_{n+1}).$$

Hereafter this section, we assume $p = 2$. Of course we have the isomorphism $H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and its invariant under $GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/2) = SL_n(\mathbb{Z}/2)$ is

$$\mathbb{Z}/2[x_1, \dots, x_n]^{GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/2)} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[d_{n,0}, \dots, d_{n,n-1}]$$

where the generators are given by the equation

$$\mathcal{O}'_n(X) = \prod_{x \in \mathbb{Z}/p\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}} (X + x) = X^{2^n} + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} d_{n,j} X^{2^j}.$$

Here $d_{n,i}^2 = c_{n,i}$ in $H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ identifying $y_i = x_i^2$. The Milnor Q_i -operations (see (2.6) in Schuster-Yagita [Sc-Ya]) are given as the case p odd. (Hereafter let us write $d_{n,i}$ by d_i simply.)

$$d_0 = Q_0 \dots Q_{n-2}(u_n), \quad d_i = Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots Q_{n-1}(u_n)/d_0.$$

From Lemma 2.1 in [Sc-Ya], we have

$$(*) \quad Q_{n-1}(d_i) = d_0 d_i, \quad Q_{i-1}(d_i) = d_0.$$

In $H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\ast'})$, we can get more strong result. Let us write simply

$$\begin{aligned} I(GL_n) &= gr(H^*(BA_n; \mathbb{Z}/2)^{GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/2)}) \subset H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\ast'}) \\ Igr(GL_n) &= H^*(BA_n; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^{\ast'})^{GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/2)}. \end{aligned}$$

By Kameko-Mimura theorem, we have showed

$$Igr(GL_n) \cong D'_n \oplus D_n \otimes Q(n-1)\{u_n\}$$

where $D_n = \mathbb{Z}/2[c_{n,n-1}, \dots, c_{n,0}]$ and $D'_n = \mathbb{Z}/2[c_{n,n-1}, \dots, c_{n,1}]$.

Lemma 5.7. *In $H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} d_i &= Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots \hat{Q}_{n-1}(u_n), & d_i d_0 &= Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots Q_{n-1}(u_n). \\ d_i d_j &= Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots \hat{Q}_{j-1} \dots Q_{n-1}(u_n) & i \neq j. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Consider the element

$$a_i = Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots Q_{n-2} \hat{Q}_{n-1}(u_n) \in Igr(GL_n).$$

Then $Q_{i-1}(a_i) = d_0$ and $Q_{n-1}a_i = d_0 d_i$.

Using property (*), we see $Q_j(a_i - d_i) = 0$ for all j . Of course $a_i - d_i \in Igr(GL_n)$. From Kameko-Mimura theorem, we still know

$$Igr(GL_n) \cap \bigcap_j Ker(Q_j) = D_n.$$

This means $d_i = a_i \in Igr(GL_n)$. (In fact $d_i = a_i \pmod{D_n}$ in $H^*(BA_n; \mathbb{Z}/2)$, but $d_i = a_i$ exactly in $H^*(BA_n; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$.)

Therefore we have

$$d_i = Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots \hat{Q}_{n-1}(u_n), \quad d_i d_0 = Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots Q_{n-1}(u_n).$$

By the similar arguments, we have

$$d_i d_j = Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots \hat{Q}_{j-1} \dots Q_{n-1}(u_n).$$

□

Of course $I(GL_n) \subset Igr(GL_n)$, but this injection is not an isomorphism for $n \geq 3$.

Lemma 5.8. *Let $n \geq 3$. Then we have*

$$Igr(GL_n)/I(GL_n) \supset Q(n-1)/(Q(n-1)^+)^{n-2}\{u_n\}.$$

Proof. Consider the element

$$x = Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_{i-1} \dots \hat{Q}_{j-1} \dots \hat{Q}_{k-1} \dots Q_{n-1}(u_n).$$

Its image $Q_{i-1}(x) = d_j d_k$ or d_j (when $k = n$.) Hence x is not in $I(GL_n)$ because Q_i maps n -product elements into also n -product elements. (If $x \in I(GL_n)$, then x must be a sum of d_i or $d_i d_j$, but it still appeared in $(Q(n-1)^+)^{n-2}(u_n)$.) Thus we get the lemma. □

Let $A = A_n$ be a maximal elementary abelian p -subgroup of G and $W_G(A)$ its Weyl group.

Lemma 5.9. *If $Res_{Inv} : Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow Inv^*(A_n; \mathbb{Z}/p)^{W_G(A)}$ is an epimorphism, then*

$$(Q(n-1)^+)^{n-2}\{u_n\} \subset Res_{H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}}(H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p) \rightarrow H^*(BA_n; \mathbb{Z}/p))$$

(e.g., d_1, \dots, d_{n-1} for $p = 2$ are in $Res_{H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}}$).

Proof. Let x be an element in $H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$ with

$$Res_{E_2}(x) = Q_{i_1} \cdots Q_{i_{n-2}}(u_n).$$

Then $w(x) = n - (n - 2) = 2$. However the weight of the differential d_r of the coniveau spectral sequence is $w(d_r) = 1 - 2r$ (see the proof of Lemma 4.4). Hence $d_r(x) = 0$ for $r \geq 2$, namely, x is a permanent cycle and is an element in $H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p)$. \square

6. $W_G(A) \cong SL_3(\mathbb{Z}/p)$

We consider the cases of $A \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p)^3$ and $W_G(A) \cong SL_3(\mathbb{Z}/p)$, namely, $(G_2, 2)$, $(F_4, 3)$ and $(E_8, 5)$. These cases

$$Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_3\}.$$

(These u_3 are called the Rost invariants.)

Let $G = G_2$ and $p = 2$. It is well known that

$$H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong I(GL_3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[w_4, w_6, w_7]$$

where w_i is the Stiefel-Whitney class of $G_2 \subset SO_7$. We can identify

$$w_4 = d_{3,2}, \quad w_6 = d_{3,1}, \quad w_7 = d_{3,0}.$$

On the other hand, Kameko-Mimura theorem implies

$$Igr(GL_3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\}).$$

Also by using Lemma 5.8, we can show

$$Igr(GL_3)/I(GL_3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6]\{u_3\}.$$

In fact (from Lemma 5.7 or from dimensional reason), we have

$$Q_0(u_3) = w_4, \quad Q_1(u_3) = w_6, \quad Q_0Q_1(u_3) = w_7, \quad Q_2(u_3) = w_4w_6.$$

Moreover we note

$$c_7u_3 = w_4w_6w_7$$

because both above elements are same after acting Q_i , e.g. $Q_0(c_7u_3) = c_7w_4 = Q_0(w_4w_6w_7)$ (see the proof of Lemma 5.7 or see [Ya2]).

Therefore Assumption (1),(2) are satisfied. Moreover from Lemma 4.4, we see $d_2(u_3) = y \neq 0$. Therefore we have the following theorem.

Theorem 6.1. *There is a $Q(2)$ bidegree module epimorphism from $H^*(BG_2; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$ to*

$$Igr(GL_3) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6]\{y\} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1, y\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\}).$$

Remark. If there is a Gottlieb transfer in the motivic theory $H^{*,*'}(-; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ or the sheaf theory $H^*(-; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$, then the above epimorphism is in fact an isomorphism.

Next we consider the odd prime cases i.e., $(G, p) = (F_4, 3)$ or $(E_8, 5)$. From Kameko-Mimura theorem, we also have

$$Igr(SL_3) \cong D'_3 \oplus SD_3 \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\}.$$

Moreover from Kameko (Lemma 5.2 in [Ka-Ya1]), it is known that

$$Igr(SL_3)/Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/p} \cong SD_3/(e)\{u_3\}$$

as the case $(G_2, 2)$. Hence Assumption (1) satisfied and Lemma 4.4 can be applied so that $d_2(u_3) = y$.

To see Assumption (2), we consider the representations. We consider the case $(E_8, 5)$. (The case $(F_4, 3)$ is similar.) It is known that there is a non trivial representation ([Ad], [Ka-Ya2])

$$\rho : E_8 \rightarrow SO(248).$$

We consider the total Chern class of the representation $\rho|A$ for $A \cong (\mathbb{Z}/5)^3$,

$$c(\rho|A) = (1 - c_{3,2} + c_{3,1} - c_{3,0})^a \quad \text{for } a \geq 0$$

from Lemma 5.1. Since $\rho|A$ is non trivial, $a \geq 1$. Moreover

$$|c_{3,0}| = 2(5^3 - 1) = 248.$$

So $a = 1$. This means that $c_{3,i}$ are represented by Chern classes. (We also note $c_{3,1} = P^1 c_{3,2}$ for the reduced power operation P^1 .) Hence $w(c_{3,1}) = w(c_{3,2}) = 0$. Thus we can see Assumption (2).

Theorem 6.2. *Let $(G, p) = (F_4, 3)$ or $(E_8, 5)$. Then there is an epimorphism of $Q(2)$ -bidegree modules from $H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^{*'})$ to*

$$\mathbb{Z}/p[c_{3,2}, c_{3,1}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/p\{1, y\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/p[e_3] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\}).$$

$$7. W_G(A) \cong \langle U_4, SL_3(\mathbb{Z}/p) \rangle$$

We consider the cases of $A \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p)^4$ and

$$W_4 = W_G(A) \cong \langle U_4, SL_3(\mathbb{Z}/p) \rangle,$$

namely, $(Spin_7, 2)$, $(E_6, 3)$. For these cases, we have the isomorphism

$$Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\{1, u_3, u_4\}.$$

We also study the case $(E_7, 3)$, while the above facts do not satisfied.

Let $G = Spin_7$ and $p = 2$. It is well known that

$$H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong I(W_4) = \mathbb{Z}/2[x_1, \dots, x_4]^{W_4}$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z}/2[w_4, w_6, w_7, w_8]$$

where w_8 is the Stiefel-Whitney class of some spin representation. We can identify $w_8 = \mathcal{O}'_3(x_4)$.

Lemma 7.1.

$$Igr(W_4) \cong Igr(GL_3) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_8]\{c_8\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_8] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\}).$$

Proof. Recall that using $\bar{Q}(2)$, we have $(Q_2Q_1Q_0(u_3) = c_7)$

$$Igr(GL_3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_7] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1\} \oplus \bar{Q}(2)\{u_3\}).$$

By Theorem 5.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Igr(W_4) &\cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_7, c_8] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1\} \oplus \bar{Q}(2)\{u_3\} \oplus Q(2)\{u_4\}) \\ &\cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_8]\{1\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_8] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\}). \end{aligned}$$

The last isomorphism is shown by using the following facts. From Lemma 5.6, we can see (Lemma 5.8 in [Ka-Ya2])

$$\mathcal{O}_3(y_4)u_3 = (Q_3 + c_{3,2}Q_2 + c_{3,1}Q_1 + c_{3,0}Q_0)(u_4),$$

namely, $Q_3(u_4) = c_8u_3 + c_4Q_2(u_4) + c_6Q_1(u_4) + c_7Q_0(u_4)$. Hence

$$Q(2)\{u_4\} \oplus Q(2)\{c_8u_3\} \cong Q(3)\{u_4\}.$$

Using $Q_0Q_1Q_2Q_3(u_4) = c_7c_8$, we get the last isomorphism. \square

Lemma 7.2.

$$\begin{aligned} Igr(W_4)/I(W_4) &\cong Igr(GL_3)/I(GL_3) \oplus \\ &\mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8] \otimes \{1, Q_0, \dots, Q_3\}\{u_4\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. At first, we see

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1Q_0(u_4) &= Q_1Q_0(u_3x_4) = Q_1(w_4x_4 + u_3y_4) \\ &= w_7x_4 + w_4y_4^2 + w_6y_4 = w_8 \quad \text{in } H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*). \end{aligned}$$

(This fact also follows from $d_{4,3} = w_8$ and Lemma 5.7.) Similarly, we can compute the Q_i action on u_4 , which is given as $Q_0Q_1(u_4) = w_8$, $Q_0Q_2(u_4) = w_4w_8$, $Q_1Q_2(u_4) = w_6w_8$, $Q_0Q_3(u_4) = c_8w_4$, $Q_1Q_3(u_4) = c_8w_6$, $Q_2Q_3(u_4) = c_8w_4w_6$.

Moreover we have

$$c_7u_4 = c_7u_3x_4 = w_4w_6w_7x_4 = w_4w_6w_8.$$

Therefore $Q_iu_3 \notin I(W_4)$ but $Q_iQ_j(u_3) \in I(W_4)$. Thus we have

$$Igr(W_4)/I(W_4) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8]\{1, Q_0, \dots, Q_3\}\{u_4\}).$$

\square

Therefore Assumption (1),(2) are satisfied. Therefore we can compute ;

Theorem 7.3. *There is a $Q(2)$ bidegree module epimorphism from $H^*(BSpin_7; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$ to*

$$H^*(BG_2; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{c_8, y'_2, Q_0y'_2, \dots, Q_3y'_2\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\})$$

where $Q_0Q_1Q_2Q_3u_4 = c_7c_8$. The differentials $d_2(u_3) = y_2$, $d_2(u_4) = y'_2$ in the coniveau spectral sequence.

Remark. If the epimorphism in Theorem 6.1 is an isomorphism, then that in the above theorem is also an isomorphism.

Remark. The notations in [Ya3] are given : $a' = u_4$ as a virtual element and

$$\xi_3 = Q_0y'_2, \xi_4 = Q_1y'_2, \xi_6 = Q_2y'_2, c_8y_2 = Q_3y'_2.$$

Next we consider the odd prime cases i.e., $(G, p) = (E_6, 3)$. Let us denote by \mathcal{O} simply, $\mathcal{O}_3(x_4)$ so that $e_4 = Q_0Q_1Q_2Q_3(u_4) = e_3\mathcal{O}$. Then from Kameko-Mimura lemma, we also have ([Ka-Mi],

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Igr}(W_4) &\cong SD/(e)[\mathcal{O}] \oplus SD_3[\mathcal{O}] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3, u_4\} \\ &\cong SD_3/(e)[\mathcal{O}] \oplus SD_3 \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\} \oplus SD_3[\mathcal{O}] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover from Kameko (Lemma 5.2 in [Ka-Ya1]), it is known that

$$\text{Igr}(W_4)/\text{Res}_{H\mathbb{Z}/p} \cong SD_3/(e) \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/3\{u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3[\mathcal{O}]\{u_4, Q_0u_4, \dots, Q_3u_4\})$$

as the case $(Spin_7, 2)$. Hence Assumption (1) satisfied and Lemma 4.4 can be applied so that $d_2(u_3) = y$.

To see Assumption (2), we consider the representations. It is known that there is a non trivial representation $E_6 \rightarrow SO(26)$. Hence we know that $c_{3,i}$ is represented by Chern classes by the arguments similar to the case $(F_4, 3)$. As for the element \mathcal{O} , we consider the restriction

$$\langle a_4 \rangle \subset A \subset E_6 \xrightarrow{\rho} SO(26).$$

Here $a_4 \in A$ is the dual of $x_4 \in \text{Hom}(A; \mathbb{Z}/3)$. We see $\mathcal{O}|\langle a_4 \rangle \neq 0$ but $SD_3|\langle a_4 \rangle = 0$. Hence the fact

$$c_{26}(\rho|\langle a_4 \rangle) = y_4^{3^3-1} \neq 0$$

implies \mathcal{O} (modulo elements in SD_3) can be represented by a Chern class. Hence Assumption (2) is also satisfied.

Theorem 7.4. *There is an epimorphism of $Q(3)$ -bimodules from $H^*(BE_6; H_{\mathbb{Z}/3}^*)$ to*

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(BF_4; H_{\mathbb{Z}/3}^*) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3[c_{3,2}, c_{3,1}, \mathcal{O}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/3\{\mathcal{O}, y'_2, Q_0y'_2, \dots, Q_3y'_2\} \\ \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[e_3] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\}). \end{aligned}$$

At last of this section, we consider the case $(E_7, 3)$. This case

$$W_G(A) = W'_4 = \langle W_4, \text{diag}(1, 1, 1, -1) \rangle \subset GL_4(\mathbb{Z}/3).$$

The invariant is also computed by Kameko-Mimura

$$Igr(W'_4) \cong SD/(e)[\mathcal{O}^2] \oplus SD_3[\mathcal{O}^2] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3, \mathcal{O}u_4\}$$

Moreover from Kameko (page 2279 in [Ka-Ya1]), it is known that

$$Igr(W'_4)/Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/3} \cong SD_3/(e)[\mathcal{O}^2] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/3\{u_3\} \oplus Q(2)\{\mathcal{O}u_4\}).$$

It is also known $Inv^*(E_7; \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/3\{1, u_3\}$ and hence

$$Inv^*(E_7; \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong Inv^*(A; \mathbb{Z}/3)^{W'_4}$$

from the above result.

There is the natural representation $\rho : E_7 \rightarrow SO(52)$. Hence we see that \mathcal{O}^2 can be represented by a Chern class. So Assumption (2) is satisfied. However Assumption (1) is not.

Theorem 7.5. *The following restriction map*

$$Res_{E_2} : H^*(BE_7, H_{\mathbb{Z}/3}^{*'}) \rightarrow H^*(BA, H_{\mathbb{Z}/3}^{*'})^{W'_4}$$

is not an epimorphism.

Proof. Recall arguments in the proof of Lemma 5.9. Suppose $\mathcal{O}u_4 \in Res_{E_2}$ and $Res(x) = \mathcal{O}u_4$ for $x \in H^*(BE_7; H_{\mathbb{Z}/3}^{*'})$.

Of course $w(x) = w(\mathcal{O}u_4) = 4$. The weight $Q_0Q_1(x) = 2$. Recall $w(d_r) = 1 - 2r$ and

$$d_r(Q_0Q_1(x)) = 0 \quad \text{for } r \geq 2.$$

Hence $Q_0Q_1(x) \in H^*(BE_3; \mathbb{Z}/3)$ from the coniveau spectral sequence. So $Q_0Q_1(\mathcal{O}u_4) \in Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/3}$, which contradicts to the result above

$$Igr(W'_4)/Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/3} \supset Q(2)\{\mathcal{O}u_4\}.$$

□

8. $Spin_9$ FOR $p = 2$

In this section, we consider the groups $Spin_8, Spin_9, F_4, E_6$ for $p = 2$. At first we consider the case $G = Spin_9$. Then the maximal elementary abelian 2-group is $rank_2 = 5$, and the Weyl group is

$$W_G(A) = W_5 \cong \langle U_5, SL_3 \rangle \subset SL_5(\mathbb{Z}/2).$$

The cohomology is known that

$$H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2)^{W_G(A)} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[w_4, w_6, w_7, w_8, w_{16}]$$

where w_{16} is the Stiefel-Whitney class of some spin representation. We can also identify

$$w_{16} = \mathcal{O}'_4(x_5) = x_5^{16} + d_3x_5^8 + d_2x_5^4 + d_1x_5^2 + d_0x_5$$

where $d_3 = w_8$, $d_2 = w_8w_4$, $d_1 = w_8w_6$, $d_0 = w_8w_7$ (see the proof of Lemma 7.2 or p1051 in [Sc-Ya]). As the case (*) in §5, we know ([Sc-Ya])

$$Q_3w_{16} = d_0w_{16}, \quad Q_4(d_0w_{16}) = d_0^2w_{16}^2.$$

We can prove from Kameko-Mimura theorem

Lemma 8.1.

$$\begin{aligned} Igr(W_5) \cong & Igr(W_4) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_{16}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_8]\{c_{16}\} \oplus \\ & \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{c_{16}u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_8] \otimes Q(4)\{u_5\}) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Recall that

$$Igr(W_4) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_7, c_8] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1\} \oplus \bar{Q}(2)\{u_3\} \oplus Q(2)\{u_3\}).$$

From Kameko-Mimura theorem (Theorem 5.4) we see that

$$Igr(W_5) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_7, c_8, c_{16}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1\} \oplus \bar{Q}(2)\{u_3\} \oplus Q(2)\{u_4\} \oplus Q(3)\{u_5\}).$$

Using $Q_2Q_1Q_0(u_3) = c_7$ and $Q_3(u_4) = c_8u_3 + \dots$ as the case for $Spin_7$, we have the isomorphism

$$Q(2)\{u_3\} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\{c_7\} \oplus \bar{Q}(2)\{u_3\}, \quad Q(3)\{u_4\} \cong Q(2)\{c_8u_3\} \oplus Q(2)\{u_4\}.$$

Hence $Igr(W_5)$ is isomorphic to

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_{16}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_8] \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\} \oplus \\ & \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_8] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_8] \otimes Q(3)\{u_5\}) \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact $Q_4(u_5) = c_{16}u_4 + \dots$ from Lemma 5.6, we have the isomorphism

$$Q(4)\{u_5\} \cong Q(3)\{c_{16}u_4\} \oplus Q(3)\{u_5\}.$$

This induces the isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} Igr(W_5) \cong & \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_8, c_{16}] \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_{16}] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\} \\ & \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_8] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_8, c_{16}] \otimes Q(4)\{u_5\}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have the desired isomorphism. \square

The cohomological invariant is known

$$Inv^*(Spin_9, \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\{1, u_3, u_4, u_5\}.$$

Hence Assumption (1),(2) are also satisfied for $(Spin_9, 2)$ (from the last isomorphism in the above proof).

Lemma 8.2.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Igr}(W_5)/I(W_5) &\cong \text{Igr}(W_4)/(W_4) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_{16}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{c_{16}u_3\} \oplus \\ &\oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8] \otimes ((Q(4)/(Q(4)^+)^3\{u_5\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\{c_7u_5\})). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since

$$Q_0(u_5) = Q_0(u_4x_5) = Q_0(u_4)x_5 + u_4y_5,$$

we can compute

$$\begin{aligned} Q_2Q_1Q_0(u_5) &= Q_2Q_1Q_0(u_4)x_5 + Q_1Q_0(u_4)y_5^4 + Q_2Q_0(u_4)y_5^2 + Q_2Q_1(u_4)y_5 \\ &= w_7w_8x_5 + w_8y_5^4 + w_4w_8y_5^2 + w_6w_8y_5 = w_{16}. \end{aligned}$$

(This fact also follows from $d_{5,4} = w_{16}$.) Let us write $Q_{i_1, \dots, i_j}(u_5) = Q_{i_1, \dots, i_j}$ simply. Similarly we can compute

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{012} &= w_{16}, & Q_{013} &= w_{16}w_8, & Q_{023} &= w_{16}w_4w_8, & Q_{123} &= w_{16}w_6w_8, \\ Q_{014} &= c_{16}w_8, & Q_{024} &= c_{16}w_8w_4, & Q_{034} &= c_{16}c_8w_4, \\ Q_{124} &= c_{16}w_6w_8, & Q_{134} &= c_{16}c_8w_6, & Q_{234} &= c_{16}c_8w_4w_6. \end{aligned}$$

We can compute

$$\begin{aligned} Q_0(c_7u_5) &= Q_0(c_7u_4x_5) = Q_0(w_4w_6w_8x_5) \\ &= w_4w_7w_8x_5 + w_4w_6w_8y_5 + \dots = w_4w_{16}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us write $Q_{i_1, \dots, i_j}(c_7u_5) = Q'_{i_1, \dots, i_j}$ simply. Then we can compute

$$\begin{aligned} Q'_0 &= w_{16}w_4, & Q'_1 &= w_{16}x_6, & Q'_2 &= w_{16}w_4w_6, & Q'_3 &= w_{16}w_4w_6w_8, \\ Q'_4 &= c_{16}w_4w_6w_8, & Q'_{01} &= w_{16}w_7, & Q'_{12} &= w_{16}w_6w_7, & Q'_{04} &= c_{16}w_7w_4w_8. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$c_7^2u_5 = c_7w_4w_6w_8x_5 = w_4w_6w_7w_{16}.$$

There appear all generators of the $\mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8, c_{16}]$ -module with modulo $\text{Ideal}(c_7, w_7)$. Thus we can see

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Igr}(W_5)/I(W_5) &\cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_{16}]\{u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8](Q(3)/(Q(3)^+)^2\{u_4\} \\ &\oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8, c_{16}] \otimes ((Q(4)/(Q(4)^+)^3\{u_5\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\{c_7u_5\})). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 8.3. *There is an epimorphism of $Q(4)$ -modules from $H^*(BSpin_9; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$ to*

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(BSpin_7; H_{\mathbb{Z}/3}^*) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/p[c_4, c_6, c_{16}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{c_{16}u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\{c_{16}y\} \\ \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8, c_7] \otimes Q(4)\{u_5\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8] \otimes (Q(4)/(Q(4)^+)^3\{y''\}) \end{aligned}$$

where $d_2u_3 = y$ and $d_2(u_5) = y''$.

Remark. However note that we can not see $d_2(c_7u_5) \neq 0$ or not.

From Lemma 4.4, we know $d_2(u_5) = y'' \neq 0$ and we get many Griffith elements

$$Q_i Q_j(y'') \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i < j \leq 4.$$

We study the image of the cycle map \tilde{cl} to $BP^*(BSpin_9) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2$ in the last section (indeed $\tilde{cl}(Q_i Q_j(y'')) \neq 0$).

Next we consider the case $(Spin_8, 2)$. The Weyl group is

$$W_4 \subset W_G(A) = W_5'' = \{(w_{ij}) \in GL_5(\mathbb{Z}/2) | w_{5,4} = 0\} \subset W_5.$$

We can compute

$$\begin{aligned} Igr(W_5'') &\cong Igr(W_4) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8', c_8] \otimes \\ &(\mathbb{Z}/2\{c_8'\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3[c_7] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4'\} \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(4)\{u_5\}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence Assumption (1) (with some modification for u_4') and (2) are satisfied.

We consider the case $(F_4, 2)$ also. This case $A \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^5$ but

$$W_G(A) = W_5' = \langle U_5, GL_3(\mathbb{Z}/2) \oplus GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/2) \rangle \subset GL_5(\mathbb{Z}/2).$$

The cohomology is given by

$$H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong H^*(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2)^{W_G(A)} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[w_4, w_6, w_7, x_{16}, x_{24}]$$

where $x_{16} = w_8^2 + w_{16}$ and $x_{24} = w_8 w_{16}$. We consider the representation

$$\langle a_4, a_5 \rangle \subset A \subset F_4 \xrightarrow{\rho} SO(26)$$

where a_4, a_5 are dual of x_4, x_5 . Then the total Chern class is

$$c(\rho | \langle a_4, a_5 \rangle) = (1 + c_{2,1} + c_{2,0})^a$$

from Lemma 5.1. By dimensional reason, $a \leq 8$. So we see x_{16}^2 and x_{24}^2 are represented by Chern classes. Thus we can write

$$\begin{aligned} Igr(W_5') &\cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_{16}, c_{24}] \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_{24}] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\} \\ &\oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7, c_{16}, c_{24}] \otimes Q(4)\{u_5\}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence Assumption (1),(2) are also satisfied. So Res_{E_2} is an epimorphism for $(F_4, 2)$.

At last of examples, we consider the case $(E_6, 2)$. This case $W_G(A) \cong W_5'$ same as the case F_4 . But it is known ([Ga-Me-Se]) that

$$Inv^*(E_6, \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\{1, u_3\}.$$

Therefore we see

Lemma 8.4. *When $G = E_6$ and $p = 2$, the restriction map*

$$Res_{E_2} : H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*) \rightarrow H^*(BA; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)^{W_G(A)}$$

is not an epimorphism.

The above fact also proved by using the cohomology $H^*(BE_6; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ and Lemma 5.9 as follows.

Theorem 8.5. *The restriction maps*

$$Res_{Inv} : Inv^*(G; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow Inv^*(A_5; \mathbb{Z}/2)^{W_G(A_5)}$$

are epimorphisms for $G = E_6$ and $G = Spin_n$, $n \geq 10$.

Proof. Of course there is the embedding $i : Spin_9 \subset Spin_{10}$. From Kono-Mimura [Ko-Mi], we know

$$H^*(BSpin_{10}; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong H^*(BSpin_7; \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2[x_{10}, x_{32}]/(w_7x_{10}).$$

Hence $H^*(BE_6; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ does not contain an element x with $i^*(x) = w_{16}$ for $w_{16} = d_{5,4} = Q_0Q_1Q_2(u_5)$. From Lemma 5.9, we see that Res_{Inv} is not an epimorphism.

There is the embedding $F_4 \subset E_6$. From also Kono-Mimura [Ko-Mi], we know

$$H^*(BE_6; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong H^*(BSpin_7; \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/2[x_{10}, x_{18}, x_{32}, x_{48}]/(relations).$$

Hence Res_{Inv} is not epic from the lack of element x_{16} . \square

9. BP-THEORY AND GRIFFITH ELEMENTS

In this section, we recall the results in §5 in [Ya1] and consider the relation between BP -theory and results in the preceding sections. We always assume $k = \mathbb{C}$ in this section. Let $BP^*(-)$ be the Brown-Peterson theory with the coefficient ring $BP^* = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[v_1, \dots]$, $|v_i| = -2(p^i - 1)$. The Thom map induces $\rho : BP^*(X) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}_{(p)} \rightarrow H^*(X; \mathbb{Z}_{(p)})$. Totaro constructs [To1] the map

$$\tilde{cl} : CH^*(X)_{(p)} \rightarrow BP^*(X) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$$

such that the composition $\rho \cdot \tilde{cl}$ is the usual cycle map $cl = t_{\mathbb{C}}$ which is also the realization map. Totaro conjectured that this map is isomorphic for $X = BG$.

Let us write by

$$P(n)^* = BP^*/(p, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}),$$

e.g., $P(0)^* = BP^*$, $P(1)^* = BP^*/p$ and $P(\infty)^* = \mathbb{Z}/p$.

Many cases of X ([Te-Ya2], [Ko-Ya]), $BP^*(X)$ are computed by the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequences

$$E_2^{*,*'} = H^*(X) \otimes BP^{*'} \implies BP^*(X).$$

It is known that $d_{2p^i-1}(x) = v_i \otimes Q_i(x) \text{ mod}(M_i)$ where M_i is the ideal of $E_{2p^i-1}^{*,*'}$ generated by elements in $(p, \dots, v_{i-1})E_2^{*,*'}$.

We assume that $H^*(X)$ has no higher p -torsion and all non zero differentials are of form

$$(9.1) \quad d_{2p^i-1}(x) = v_i \otimes Q_i(x) \text{ mod}(M_i).$$

Let us write

$$(9.2) \quad grBP^*(X) \cong E_\infty^{*,*} \cong A \oplus B$$

where A (resp. B) is a BP^* -module generated by elements in $H^*(X)/p$ (resp. $pH^*(X) \oplus E_\infty^{*,minus}$) so that $B \subset Ker(\rho_p)$. Then we can write

$$A \cong \bigoplus_{n=-1} P(n+1)^* \tilde{G}_n$$

by the prime invariant ideal theorem of Landweber ; if $P(n)^*/(a)$ is a $BP^*(BP)$ -module, then $a = v_n^s$ for some $s \geq 1$.

Lemma 9.1. *(Lemma 5.1 in [Ya1]) Let $H^*(X)_{(p)}$ has no higher p -torsion. Suppose (9.1) and $A = \bigoplus_{n=-1} P(n+1)^* \tilde{G}_n$ in (9.2). Then there is a injection of $Q(\infty)$ -modules*

$$H^*(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \hookrightarrow \bigoplus_{n=-1} Q(n)G_n \quad \text{with } Q_0 \dots Q_n G_n = \tilde{G}_n.$$

It is proved ([Ko-Ya],[Ka-Ya],[Ya1]) that all $X = BG$ in Theorem 1.2 satisfy the assumption in the above lemma. Hence

$$H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/p) \hookrightarrow \bigoplus_{n=-1}^\infty Q(n)G_n.$$

Moreover when $n \neq -1$, we still know

$$w(G_n) = n.$$

Indeed if $n \geq 0$, then $G_n = G'_n \{u_n\}$ where G'_n is represented by elements in $CH^*(BG)/p$ (see Assumption (1),(2)). From Theorem 1.2, we also know

Corollary 9.2. *Let G be a group in Theorem 1.2. Then there is a bidegree $Q(n)$ -module injection*

$$\bigoplus_{i \geq 0} Q(n)G_n \subset H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*).$$

Lemma 9.3. *(Lemma 5.2 in [Ya]) Let $H^*(X)_{(p)}$ has no higher p -torsion.*

(1) *If (9.1) is satisfied and in (9.2),*

$$A \cong \bigoplus_{n=-1} P(n+1)^* \tilde{G}_n \quad \text{and } B \cong \bigoplus_{s=0} BP^* \{p, v_1, \dots, v_s\} \tilde{K}_s,$$

then we have the isomorphism

$$H^*(X; \mathbb{Z}/p) \cong (\bigoplus_{n=-1} Q(n)G_n) - (\bigoplus_s \bar{Q}(s)K_s)$$

with $Q_0 \dots Q_n G_n = \tilde{G}_n$, and $Q_1 \dots Q_s K_s = \tilde{K}_s$.

(2) *If $Q_0 \dots Q_n G_n \in Im(\rho)$ and $|Q_1 \dots Q_s K_s| = \text{even}$, then the converse also holds.*

Corollary 9.4. *Let G be a group in Theorem 1.2 so that Assumption (1),(2) are satisfied. Then there are epimorphisms from $grBP^*(BG) \cong E_\infty^{*,*}$ to*

$$(9.3) \quad \bigoplus_s P(i_s)^*[f_{s1}, \dots, f_{sk_s}]\{\tilde{u}_{i_s}\} \oplus \bigoplus_t BP^*(p, \dots, v_t)\{\tilde{K}_t\}$$

and from $BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/p$ to

$$\bigoplus_s \mathbb{Z}/p[f_{s1}, \dots, f_{sk_s}]\{\tilde{u}_{i_s}\} \oplus \bigoplus_t \mathbb{Z}/p\{p, \dots, v_t\}\{\tilde{K}_t\}$$

where $\tilde{u}_{i_s} = Q_{i_s-1} \dots Q_0(u_{i_s})$ and $Igr(W)/Res_{H\mathbb{Z}/p} \cong \bigoplus_t \bar{Q}(t)K_t$.

We give examples. At first we recall the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence for BG_2 in [Ko-Ya]. Since $H^*(BG)$ has no higher torsion, we have

$$H^*(BG_2)_{(2)} \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}[w_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}\{1\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[w_7]\{w_7\}).$$

Let us write $B_{i_1, \dots, i_j} = \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}[c_{i_1}, \dots, c_{i_j}]$, e.g., $B_{4,6} = \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}[c_4, c_6]$.

Since $Q_1(w_4) = w_7$, we have $d_3(w_4) = v_1 \otimes w_7$. Hence the E_4 -term of the spectral sequence is

$$E(G_2)_4^{*,*} \cong B_{4,6} \otimes (BP^*\{1, 2w_4\} \oplus P(2)^*[c_7]\{c_7, w_7\}).$$

Next differential is $d_7(w_7) = v_2 \otimes Q_2(w_7) = v_2 c_7$ and

$$E(G_2)_8^{*,*} \cong B_{4,6} \otimes (BP^*\{1, 2w_4\} \oplus P(3)^*[c_7]\{c_7\}).$$

which is isomorphic to $E(G_2)_\infty^{*,*}$. In particular

$$BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2 \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1, 2w_4\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7]\{c_7\}).$$

This result is also immediate from Corollary 9.4 and Theorem 6.1, in fact, we have the epimorphism

$$H^*(BG_2; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{1, y\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{u_3\}).$$

Here $\tilde{u}_3 = Q_0 Q_1 Q_2(u_3) = c_7$ and $d_2(u_3) = y$ in the coniveau spectral sequence, and we have

$$\bar{Q}(0)K_0 = K_0 = \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6]\{u\}.$$

Hence the cycle map \tilde{cl} is epimorphism and $\tilde{cl}(y) = \{2w_4\}$ (which is represented by a Chern class c_2). Moreover we know [Ya2] that this \tilde{cl} is a really isomorphism.

Next consider the case $Spin_7$. From [Ko-Ya], we can compute

$$E(Spin_7)_{16}^{*,*} \cong B_{4,6} \otimes P(3)^*[c_7]\{c_7\} \oplus$$

$$B_{4,6,8} \otimes (BP^*\{1, 2w_4, 2w_4 w_8, 2w_8, v_1 w_8\} \oplus P(4)^*[c_7]\{c_7 c_8\}).$$

This term is also the infinity term. Hence we have

$$BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2 \cong BP^*(BG_2) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2 \oplus$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{c_8, 2c_8w_4, 2w_4w_8, 2w_8, v_1w_8\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7]\{c_7c_8\})$$

This result is also get from Corollary 9.4 and Theorem 7.3, indeed, we have the epimorphism

$$H^*(BSpin_7; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*) \rightarrow H^*(BG_2; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*) \oplus$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{c_8, y'_2, Q_0y'_2, \dots, Q_3y'_2\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(3)\{u_4\})$$

This case $d_2(u_3) = y, d_2(u_4) = y'$ in the coniveau spectral sequence.

Recall

$$\begin{aligned} \oplus_s \bar{Q}(s)K_s &\cong Igr(W_4)/I(W_4) \cong I(GL_3)/I(GL_3) \oplus \\ &\mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8]\{1, Q_0, \dots, Q_3\}\{u_4\}. \end{aligned}$$

We can take

$$\bar{Q}(1)K_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8]\{1, Q_0, Q_1\}\{u_4\}$$

$$\bar{Q}(0)K_0 \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\{Q_2u_4, Q_3u_4\}).$$

The cycle map \tilde{cl} is given by

$$Q_0(y') \mapsto v_1w_8, \quad Q_1y' \mapsto 2w_8, \quad Q_2y' \mapsto 2w_4w_8, \quad Q_3y' \mapsto 2c_8w_4.$$

Of course the cycle map \tilde{cl} is isomorphic. This fact is still proved by P.Guillot [Gu1], and the case $G = Spin_8$ is computed by Molina [Mo].

10. $BP^*(BSpin_9) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2$

At last of this paper, we consider the case $Spin_9$. In [Ko-Ya], we can compute (which is quite complicated)

$$\begin{aligned} E(Spin_9)_{32}^{*,*} &\cong B_{4,6,8,16} \otimes (BP^*\{1, 2w_4, 2w_4w_8, 2w_8, v_1w_8, \\ &2w_4w_{16}, 2w_4w_8w_{16}, 2w_8w_{16}, v_1w_8w_{16}, 2w_{16}, v_1w_{16}, v_2w_{16}\} \\ &\oplus P(5)^*[c_7]\{c_7c_8c_{16}\} \oplus B_{4,6,7,8} \otimes P(4)^*[c_7]\{c_7c_8\} \oplus B_{4,6,16} \otimes P(3)^*[c_7]\{c_7\}). \end{aligned}$$

This term is the infinite term. (See Theorem 8.3 also.)

Lemma 10.1. ([Ko-Ya])

$$BP^*(BSpin_9) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2 \cong BP^*(BSpin_7) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2 \oplus$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8, c_{16}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2\{c_{16}, 2w_4c_{16}, 2w_4c_8c_{16}, (2, v_1)w_8c_{16}, 2w_4w_8c_{16}, \\ &(2, v_1, v_2)w_{16}, 2w_4w_{16}, (2, v_1)w_8w_{16}, 2w_4w_8w_{16}\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_7]\{c_{16}c_7\}). \end{aligned}$$

We still know there is an epimorphism from $H^*(BSpin_9; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*)$ to

$$H^*(BSpin_7; H_{\mathbb{Z}/2}^*) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_{16}] \otimes (\mathbb{Z}/2[c_7] \otimes Q(2)\{c_{16}u_3\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\{c_{16}y\})$$

$$\oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8, c_7] \otimes Q(4)\{u_5\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2[c_8] \otimes (Q(4)/(Q(4)^+)^3\{y''\})$$

where $d_2u_3 = y$ and $d_2(u_5) = y''$.

We can see the following lemma;

Proposition 10.2. *When $(G, p) = (Spin_9, 2)$, the cycle map*

$$\tilde{cl} : CH^*(BG)/2 \rightarrow (BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2)$$

is an epimorphism with $\text{mod}(\mathbb{Z}/2[c_4, c_6, c_8, c_{16}]\{2w_4w_{16}\})$.

The image of the cycle map \tilde{cl} is given as follows. By arguments for G_2 , we see

$$d_2(c_{16}u_3) \mapsto 2w_4c_{16}$$

If we can see

$$d_3(c_7u_5) \mapsto 2w_4w_{16},$$

then the Totaro's map \tilde{cl} is an epimorphism. Unfortunately, we do not see even $d_2(c_7u_5) = c_7y'' = 0$ yet.

Let us write $Q_{ij} = Q_iQ_j(d_2u_5) = Q_iQ_j(y'')$. Then the cycle map \tilde{cl} is written as

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{01} &\mapsto v_2w_{16}, & Q_{02} &\mapsto v_1w_{16}, & Q_{12} &\mapsto 2w_{16}, \\ Q_{03} &\mapsto v_1w_8w_{16}, & Q_{13} &\mapsto 2w_8w_{16}, & Q_{23} &\mapsto 2w_4w_8w_{16}, \\ Q_{04} &\mapsto v_1w_8c_{16}, & Q_{14} &\mapsto 2w_8c_{16}, & Q_{24} &\mapsto 2w_4w_8c_{16}, \\ & & Q_{34} &\mapsto 2w_4c_8c_{16}. \end{aligned}$$

By the arguments for $Spin_7$, we still know, for example $Q_1(d_2u_4) \mapsto 2w_8$, so we get the $Q_4Q_1(d_2u_5) \mapsto 2w_8c_{16}$ using $Q_4(u_5) = c_{16}u_4 + \dots$. Similarly we get the maps for Q_{*4} from that for $Spin_7$.

For other maps, we use the Quillen operation in $BP^*(-)$ theory. For a sequence $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$, $\alpha_i \geq 0$, we have the Quillen cohomology operation in $BP^*(X)$ (and also in $ABP^*(X)$) (see [Ra], [Ha], [Ya2])

$$r_\alpha : BP^*(X) \rightarrow BP^{*+|\alpha|}(X) \quad |\alpha| = \sum 2p^i \alpha_i$$

such that $\rho(r_\alpha) = P^\alpha$ the fundamental basis of the reduced power operations (see [Ha]) and $r_\alpha(v_i) \in \text{Ideal}(p, \dots, v_i)$. Hence r_α acts also on $BP^*(X) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/p$.

Let us write by $\bar{S}q^{\text{even}}$ the Quillen operation corresponding Sq^{even} . By the definition of Q_i , we see the equation $Sq^{16}Sq^8(Q_2Q_1(u_5)) = Q_4Q_1(u_5)$ in $H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/2)$. We still know the image of the cycle map

$$Sq^{16}Sq^8(Q_{12}) = Q_{14} \mapsto 2w_8c_{16} \in BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2.$$

Let $\tilde{cl}(Q_{12}) = x$. Then

$$\bar{S}q^{16}\bar{S}q^8(x) = 2w_8c_{16} \quad \text{in } BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/2.$$

So x is non zero. The equation $Sq^{16}Sq^8(w_{16}) = w_8c_{16}$ in $H^*(BG; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ implies

$$\bar{S}q^{16}\bar{S}q^8(2w_{16}) = 2w_8c_{16} \quad \text{mod}(v_1, \dots) \quad \text{in } BP^*(BG).$$

Hence we can take $x = 2w_{16}$.

Using $\bar{S}q^4\bar{S}q^2$ and dimensional reason, we have the first map $Q_{01} \mapsto v_2w_{16}$. The other cases are also proved similarly.

The above Q_{ij} are all Griffith elements. From Corollary 9.4, we can write

$$Q(4)\{u_5\}/(Q(4)^+)^3\{u_5\} \cong \bigoplus_{t=1}^2 \bar{Q}(t)K'_t.$$

In fact, we can take

$$\bar{Q}(2)K'_2 = \mathbb{Z}/2\{u_5, Q_0, Q_1, Q_2, Q_{01}, Q_{02}, Q_{12}\},$$

$$\bar{Q}(1)K'_1 = \mathbb{Z}/2\{Q_3, Q_{03}, Q_{13}, Q_4, Q_{04}, Q_{14}\},$$

$$\bar{Q}(0)K'_0 = \mathbb{Z}/2\{Q_{23}, Q_{24}, Q_{34}\}.$$

Recall Corollary 9.4 and $Igr(W)/Res_{HZ/p} \cong \bigoplus_t \bar{Q}(t)K_t$. Let $k \in K_t$. Then we can identify $k \in H^*(BG; H_{\mathbb{Z}/p}^*)$ and

$$k(i) = Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_i \dots Q_t(k) \in \bar{Q}(t)K_t \subset Igr(W)/Res_{HZ/p}.$$

Moreover suppose $w(k) = t + 3$. Since $w(k(i)) = 3$ and $w(d_r) = 1 - 2r$, we see

$$d_2(k(i)) \neq 0 \quad (\text{hence } d_2(k) \neq 0).$$

Let us consider the projection map

$$pr. : BP^*(X) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/p \rightarrow (9.3) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}/p \rightarrow (p, v_1, \dots, v_t)\{\tilde{k}\}$$

where $\tilde{k} = Q_0 \dots Q_t(k)$. For $G = G_2, Spin_7$ and $Spin_9$, it holds that $pr.\tilde{cl}(d_2(k(i))) = v_i\tilde{k}$, that is,

$$pr.\tilde{cl}(d_2(Q_0 \dots \hat{Q}_i \dots Q_t(k))) = v_i Q_0 \dots Q_t(k),$$

while we do not show it for general cases.

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