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STABLE OPERATIONS IN MOD p COHOMOLOGY THEORIES

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Introduction

By a cohomology theory we understand throughout the present work, a general reduced cohomology theory defined on the category of finite CW -complexes with base vertices (cf. [10]).

In this paper we consider the stable operations in mod p cohomology theories, where the stable operation means the natural linear operation which commutes with the suspension isomorphism.

Maunder [6] considered the stable operations in the mod p K -theory, by making use of a duality map $\omega: SM \wedge SM \rightarrow S^5$, where M is a co-Moore space of type $(Z_p, 2)$. We shall also use this map. For the completeness we summarize some known results on duality maps which owe to Spanier [7, 8] in section 1.

In section 2, we construct a natural transformation

$$\Gamma(\omega): h^*(\ ; E \wedge M) \rightarrow h^*(\ ; E \bmod p)$$

for any spectrum E , which is of degree 1, stable and isomorphic. This transformation is an essential tool in the present work.

And in section 3, we consider the relation between $O^*(E)$, the algebra of the stable operations in the cohomology theory $h^*(\ ; E)$, and $O^*(E; Z_p)$, the one in the mod p cohomology theory associated with $h^*(\ ; E)$. As an application, we shall study the stable operations in the mod p U -cobordism theory, by making use of Landweber's result [5].

Throughout this paper we shall use the terms "space", " CW -complex" and "map" to refer to space with a base point, CW -complex with a base vertex and continuous map preserving base points.

1. Known results on duality maps

In this section we summarize some basic properties of duality maps which owe to E.H. Spanier [7, 8].

1.1. First we shall fix some notations:

- $X \wedge Y$ the reduced join of two spaces X and Y ,
 $f \wedge g$ the reduced join of two maps f and g ,
 $SX = X \wedge S^1$ the reduced suspension of X ,
 $1 = 1_A; A \rightarrow A$ an identity map of A into itself,
 $T = T(A, B): A \wedge B \rightarrow B \wedge A$ a map switching factors,
 $S^n A = S(S^{n-1} A) = A \wedge S^{n-1} \wedge S^1 = A \wedge S^n$ an n -fold suspension of A ,
 $S^n f = f \wedge 1_{S^n}$ an n -fold suspension of a map f ,
 $[X, Y]$ the set of homotopy classes of maps of X into Y ,
 $\{X, Y\}$ the stable homotopy group of X into Y ,
 $p: S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ for any integer p to denote a map of degree p given by
 $p\{t\} = \{pt\}$ for $\{t \bmod 1\} \in S^1$.

1.2. Let X, X' be finite CW -complexes and $u: X \wedge X' \rightarrow S^n$ be a map. Such a map induces a homomorphism

$$\delta = \delta^z(u)_w: \{Z, W \wedge X\} \rightarrow \{Z \wedge X', W \wedge S^n\},$$

by the relation $\delta(\{f\}) = \{(1 \wedge u)(f \wedge 1)\}$ for any spaces Z and W .

A map $u: X \wedge X' \rightarrow S^n$ is called a semi-duality map provided $\delta^z(u)_w$ are isomorphisms for $W = S^0$ and $Z = S^k, k=1, 2, 3, \dots$. If u is a duality map in the Spanier sense, then u is a semi-duality map ([7], Lemma 5.8).

From the definition of semi-duality map, we obtain the following results.

(1.2.1) Let $u: X \wedge X' \rightarrow S^n$ and $v: Y \wedge Y' \rightarrow S^n$ be maps, and let $f: Y \rightarrow X$ and $g: X' \rightarrow Y'$ be maps such that

$$\{u(f \wedge 1)\} = \{v(1 \wedge g)\} \quad \text{in} \quad \{Y \wedge X', S^n\}.$$

Then the following diagram is commutative for any spaces Z and W :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{Z, W \wedge Y\} & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \{Z \wedge Y', W \wedge S^n\} \\ \downarrow f_* & & \downarrow g^* \\ \{Z, W \wedge X\} & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \{Z \wedge X', W \wedge S^n\}. \end{array}$$

(1.2.2) Let $u: X \wedge X' \rightarrow S^n$ be a semi-duality map.

Then the homomorphism $\delta^z(u)_w$ is an isomorphism for any finite CW -complexes Z and W .

(1.2.3) Let $u: X \wedge X' \rightarrow S^n$ be a semi-duality map.

Then two maps

$$\begin{aligned} u_{0,1}: X \wedge SX' &= X \wedge X' \wedge S^1 \xrightarrow{u \wedge 1} S^n \wedge S^1 = S^{n+1}, \\ u_{1,0}: SX \wedge X' &= X \wedge S^1 \wedge X' \xrightarrow{1 \wedge T} X \wedge X' \wedge S^1 \xrightarrow{u \wedge 1} S^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

are also semi-duality maps.

1.3. Let X, X', Y and Y' be finite CW -complexes and let $u: X \wedge X' \rightarrow S^n$, $v: Y \wedge Y' \rightarrow S^n$, $f: Y \rightarrow X$ and $g: X' \rightarrow Y'$ be maps such that f and g are cellular and $u(f \wedge 1)$ and $v(1 \wedge g)$ are homotopic maps from $Y \wedge X'$ into S^n .

We consider the following sequences:

$$(1.3.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} Y & \xrightarrow{f} & X & \xrightarrow{i} & C_f & \xrightarrow{p} & SY \xrightarrow{Sf} SX, \\ SY' & \xleftarrow{Sg} & SX' & \xleftarrow{q} & C_g & \xleftarrow{j} & Y' \xleftarrow{g} X', \end{array}$$

where C_f and C_g are mapping cones of f and g respectively. Then there exists a map $\omega: C_f \wedge C_g \rightarrow S^{n+1}$ such that the following diagrams are homotopy commutative ([7], §6):

$$(1.3.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} C_f \wedge Y' & \xrightarrow{1 \wedge j} & C_f \wedge C_g \\ \downarrow p \wedge 1 & & \downarrow \omega \\ SY \wedge Y' & \xrightarrow{v_{1,0}} & S^{n+1} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} X \wedge C_g & \xrightarrow{1 \wedge q} & X \wedge SX' \\ \downarrow i \wedge 1 & & \downarrow u_{0,1} \\ C_f \wedge C_g & \xrightarrow{\omega} & S^{n+1} \end{array}$$

With an application of the “five lemma,” we obtain the following result from (1.2.1), (1.2.3), (1.3.1) and (1.3.2).

(1.3.3) Let $u: X \wedge X' \rightarrow S^n$ and $v: Y \wedge Y' \rightarrow S^n$ be semi-duality maps, and let $f: Y \rightarrow X$ and $g: X' \rightarrow Y'$ be cellular maps such that $u(f \wedge 1)$ and $v(1 \wedge g)$ are homotopic. Then the above map $\omega: C_f \wedge C_g \rightarrow S^{n+1}$ is a semi-duality map.

1.4. Let $u: S^2 \wedge S^2 \rightarrow S^4$ be a canonical identification, and let $Sp: S^2 \rightarrow S^2$ be a suspension of the map $p: S^1 \rightarrow S^1$. Then $u(Sp \wedge 1)$ and $u(1 \wedge Sp)$ are homotopic and u is a semi-duality map. Thus we obtain a semi-duality map

$$\omega: SM_p \wedge SM_p \rightarrow S^5,$$

where $M_p = S^1 \cup_p e^2$ is a co-Moore space of type $(Z_p, 2)$.

2. Stable natural transformation $\Gamma(\omega)$

By a spectrum $E = \{E_k, \varepsilon_k | k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$, we shall mean a sequence of CW -complexes E_k and maps $\varepsilon_k: SE_k \rightarrow E_{k+1}$ for any integer k .

Throughout this section, let M, N be fixed finite CW -complexes.

2.1. For any finite CW -complex X , and any integers l, k , we have homomorphisms

$$[S^k X \wedge N, E_{k+l} \wedge M] \xrightarrow{S} [S^{k+1} X \wedge N, SE_{k+l} \wedge M] \xrightarrow{(\varepsilon_{k+l})\#} [S^{k+1} X \wedge N, E_{k+l+1} \wedge M],$$

$$\sigma_i^k: [S^k(SX) \wedge N, E_{k+l} \wedge M] \xrightarrow{\approx} [S^{k+1}X \wedge N, E_{k+l} \wedge M],$$

where $S=S(M, N)$ is defined by the suspension, $(\varepsilon_{k+l})_{\#}=\varepsilon_{k+l}(M, N)_{\#}$ is an induced homomorphism and $\sigma_i^k=\sigma_i^k(M, N)$ is induced from the identification $S^{k+1}X=X \wedge S^{k+1}=X \wedge S^1 \wedge S^k=S^k(SX)$.

Let $h^l(X; \mathbf{E} \wedge M \bmod N)=\lim_k \text{dir} \{[S^k X \wedge N, E_{k+l} \wedge M], (\varepsilon_{k+l})_{\#} S\}$ and $\sigma=\sigma(M, N): h^l(SX; \mathbf{E} \wedge M \bmod N) \xrightarrow{\approx} h^{l-1}(X; \mathbf{E} \wedge M \bmod N)$ be the direct limit of maps $\{\sigma_i^k\}$.

Then, $\{h^*(; \mathbf{E} \wedge M \bmod N), \sigma(M, N)\}$ becomes a cohomology theory [10]. In particular, we define

$$\begin{aligned} h^*(; \mathbf{E} \wedge M) &= h^*(; \mathbf{E} \wedge M \bmod S^0), \quad \sigma^M = \sigma(M, S^0), \\ h^*(; \mathbf{E} \bmod N) &= h^*(; \mathbf{E} \wedge S^0 \bmod N), \quad \sigma_N = \sigma(S^0, N), \\ h^*(; \mathbf{E}) &= h^*(; \mathbf{E} \wedge S^0 \bmod S^0), \quad \sigma = \sigma(S^0, S^0), \end{aligned}$$

and $h^k(; \mathbf{E} \bmod p) = h^{k+2}(; \mathbf{E} \bmod M_p), \quad \sigma_p = \sigma(S^0, M_p),$

where $M_p = S^1 \cup_p e^2$ be a co-Moore space of type $(Z_p, 2)$, then the third cohomology theory is just one defined by G.W. Whitehead [10], and the last is just a mod p cohomology theory associated with $h^*(; \mathbf{E})$ defined by A. Dold [3] and considered by S. Araki and H. Toda [1].

2.2. Let $\{h_1^*, \sigma_1\}$ and $\{h_2^*, \sigma_2\}$ be cohomology theories and

$$t: h_1^k \rightarrow h_2^{k+s} \quad \text{for any integer } k,$$

be a linear natural transformation of degree s . If $\sigma_2 t = (-1)^s t \sigma_1$, then we call t is a stable natural transformation of degree s . In particular, if $\{h_1^*, \sigma_1\} = \{h_2^*, \sigma_2\}$, then we call t is a stable operation of degree s .

2.3. Let $\omega: M \wedge N \rightarrow S^n$ be a map, then ω induces a homomorphism

$$\gamma(\omega)_i^k: [S^k X, E_{k+l} \wedge M] \rightarrow [S^k X \wedge N, E_{k+l} \wedge S^n],$$

by the relation $\gamma(\omega)([f]) = [(1 \wedge \omega)(f \wedge 1)]$ for any spectrum $\mathbf{E} = \{E_k, \varepsilon_k\}$ and any finite CW-complex X .

Proposition 2.3. For any spectrum $\mathbf{E} = \{E_k, \varepsilon_k\}$, a map $\omega: M \wedge N \rightarrow S^n$ induces a stable natural transformation

$$\gamma(\omega): h^*(; \mathbf{E} \wedge M) \rightarrow h^*(; \mathbf{E} \wedge S^n \bmod N)$$

of degree 0, where $\gamma(\omega)$ is the direct limit of homomorphisms $\{\gamma(\omega)_i^k\}$.

Proof. For any integers l, k ,

$$\varepsilon_{k+l}(S^n, N)_{\#} S(S^n, N) \gamma(\omega)_i^k = \gamma(\omega)_i^{k+1} \varepsilon_{k+l}(M, S^0)_{\#} S(M, S^0),$$

so we can define a natural transformation $\gamma(\omega)$ of degree 0. Moreover, for any integers l, k ,

$$\sigma_i^k(S^n, N)\gamma(\omega)_i^k = \gamma(\omega)_{i-1}^{k+1}\sigma_i^k(M, S^0),$$

thus

$$\sigma(S^n, N)\gamma(\omega) = \gamma(\omega)\sigma(M, S^0).$$

Therefore $\gamma(\omega)$ is stable. q.e.d.

2.4. From some switching map T , we can define the following homomorphisms:

$$\begin{aligned} [S^k X \wedge N, E_{l+k} \wedge SM] &\xrightarrow[\approx]{T(M, S^1)_\#} [S^k X \wedge N, SE_{l+k} \wedge M], \\ [S^k X \wedge SN, E_{l+k} \wedge M] &\xrightarrow[\approx]{T(N, S^1)^*} [S^{k+1} X \wedge N, E_{l+k} \wedge M] \end{aligned}$$

for any spectrum $E = \{E_k, \varepsilon_k\}$ and any finite CW-complex X .

Proposition 2.4. *For any spectrum $E = \{E_k, \varepsilon_k\}$, T induces stable natural transformations*

$$\begin{aligned} T_*: h^*(; E \wedge SM \bmod N) &\rightarrow h^*(; E \wedge M \bmod N), \\ T^*: h^*(; E \wedge M \bmod SN) &\rightarrow h^*(; E \wedge M \bmod N), \end{aligned}$$

such that degree $T_* = 1$ and degree $T^* = -1$, where T_* is the direct limit of homomorphisms $\{(-1)^k \varepsilon_{k+l}(M, N)_\# T(M, S^1)_\#\}$ and T^* is the direct limit of homomorphisms $\{(-1)^k T(N, S^1)^*\}$. Moreover, for any finite CW-complex X and any integer l ,

$$T_*: h^l(X; E \wedge SM \bmod N) \rightarrow h^{l+1}(X; E \wedge M \bmod N),$$

$$\text{and } T^*: h^l(X; E \wedge M \bmod SN) \rightarrow h^{l-1}(X; E \wedge M \bmod N)$$

are isomorphisms.

Proof. For any integers l, k ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\varepsilon_{k+l+1}(M, N)_\# S(M, N) \varepsilon_{k+l}(M, N)_\# T(M, S^1)_\# \\ &= -\varepsilon_{k+l+1}(M, N)_\# T(M, S^1)_\# \varepsilon_{k+l}(SM, N)_\# S(SM, N), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\sigma_{l+1}^k(M, N) \varepsilon_{k+l}(M, N)_\# T(M, S^1)_\# \\ &= \varepsilon_{k+l}(M, N)_\# T(M, S^1)_\# \sigma_l^k(SM, N), \end{aligned}$$

so we can define a stable natural transformation T_* of degree 1 induced from the sequence $\{(-1)^k \varepsilon_{k+l}(M, N)_\# T(M, S^1)_\#\}$. Similarly, we can define a stable natural transformation T^* of degree -1 induced from the sequence $\{(-1)^k T(N, S^1)^*\}$. Since $T(N, S^1)^*$ is an isomorphism, T^* is an isomorphism.

Next we consider the following homomorphism

$$[S^k X \wedge N, E_{l+k} \wedge M] \xrightarrow{S} [S^{k+1} X \wedge N, SE_{l+k} \wedge M] \xrightarrow[\approx]{T(S^1, M)^\#} [S^{k+1} X \wedge N, E_{l+k} \wedge SM],$$

then the sequence $\{(-1)^{k+1}T(S^1, M)_*S\}$ induces a stable natural transformation

$$S_*: h^*(\ ; E \wedge M \bmod N) \rightarrow h^*(\ ; E \wedge SM \bmod N)$$

of degree -1 and clearly S_* is the inverse transformation of T_* . Therefore T_* is an isomorphism. q.e.d.

2.5. Let $\omega: S^a M \wedge S^b N \rightarrow S^{n+a+b}$ be a map. For any spectrum E , we obtain a stable natural transformation

$$\Gamma(\omega): h^*(\ ; E \wedge M) \rightarrow h^*(\ ; E \bmod N)$$

of degree n , which is defined by $\Gamma(\omega) = (T^*)^b (T_*)^{n+a+b} \gamma(\omega) (T_*)^{-a}$.

Theorem 2.5. *If $\omega: S^a M \wedge S^b N \rightarrow S^{n+a+b}$ is a semi-duality map. Then, for any spectrum E , the stable natural transformation*

$$\Gamma(\omega): h^k(X; E \wedge M) \rightarrow h^{k+n}(X; E \bmod N)$$

is an isomorphism for any integer k and any finite CW-complex X .

Proof. It is sufficient to prove that $\gamma(\omega)$ is an isomorphism, by Proposition 2.4. For any finite CW-complex X , there exists a canonical isomorphism

$$\iota(A, B): h^k(X; E \wedge A \bmod B) \rightarrow \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ I}} \{ \{S^l X \wedge B, E_{k+l} \wedge A\}, \{\varepsilon_{k+l}\}_\# \}$$

induced from canonical homomorphisms

$$[S^l X \wedge B, E_{k+l} \wedge A] \rightarrow \{S^l X \wedge B, E_{k+l} \wedge A\},$$

where A, B are any finite CW-complexes.

From (1.2.2), the semi-duality map $\omega: S^a M \wedge S^b N \rightarrow S^{n+a+b}$ induces an isomorphism

$$\delta(\omega)_k^l: \{S^l X, E_{k+l} \wedge S^a M\} \rightarrow \{S^l X \wedge S^b N, E_{k+l} \wedge S^{n+a+b}\}$$

and the sequence $\{\delta(\omega)_k^l\}$ defines an isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(\omega): \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ I}} \{ \{S^l X, E_{k+l} \wedge S^a M\}, \{\varepsilon_{k+l}\}_\# \} \\ \rightarrow \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ I}} \{ \{S^l X \wedge S^b N, E_{k+l} \wedge S^{n+a+b}\}, \{\varepsilon_{k+l}\}_\# \}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the relation $\iota(S^0, S^b N) \gamma(\omega) = \delta(\omega) \iota(S^a M, S^0)$ holds, the homomorphism $\gamma(\omega)$ is an isomorphism. And therefore $\Gamma(\omega)$ is an isomorphism. q.e.d.

REMARK. Let $X=S^0$ in Theorem 2.5. Since $h^{-k}(S^0; \mathbf{E} \wedge M) = h_k(M; \mathbf{E})$, a reduced homology group of M , and $h^k(S^0; \mathbf{E} \text{ mod } N) = h^k(N; \mathbf{E})$, we obtain a duality isomorphism

$$\Gamma(\omega): h_k(M; \mathbf{E}) \rightarrow h^{n-k}(N; \mathbf{E}),$$

whenever $\omega: S^a M \wedge S^b N \rightarrow S^{n+a+b}$ is a semi-duality map.

3. Stable operations

Throughout this section, let p be a fixed prime, and let $M = S^1 \cup_p e^2$ be the co-Moore space of type $(Z_p, 2)$. Denote by $i: S^1 \rightarrow M$ and $\pi: M \rightarrow S^2$, the canonical inclusion and the map collapsing S^1 to a point.

3.1. Let $\{h^*, \sigma\}$ be a cohomology theory. The mod p cohomology theory (cf. [1]), $\{h^*(\ ; Z_p), \sigma_p\}$ is defined by

$$h^k(X; Z_p) = h^{k+2}(X \wedge M) \quad \text{for all } k,$$

and the suspension isomorphism

$$\sigma_p: h^k(SX; Z_p) \rightarrow h^{k-1}(X; Z_p) \quad \text{for all } k,$$

is defined as the composition

$$\begin{aligned} h^k(SX; Z_p) &= h^{k+2}(X \wedge S^1 \wedge M) \xrightarrow[\approx]{(1 \wedge T)^*} h^{k+2}(X \wedge M \wedge S^1) \\ &\xrightarrow[\approx]{\sigma} h^{k+1}(X \wedge M) = h^{k-1}(X; Z_p), \end{aligned}$$

where $T = T(S^1, M)$. If $\{h^*, \sigma\}$ is defined by a spectrum \mathbf{E} , then $\{h^*(\ ; Z_p), \sigma_p\}$ is equivalent to the cohomology theory defined in section 2.

Making use of maps $i: S^1 \rightarrow M$ and $\pi: M \rightarrow S^2$, we put

$$\rho_p: h^k(X) \xleftarrow[\approx]{\sigma^2} h^{k+2}(X \wedge S^2) \xrightarrow{(1 \wedge \pi)^*} h^{k+2}(X \wedge M) = h^k(X; Z_p)$$

$$\text{and } \delta_p: h^k(X; Z_p) = h^{k+2}(X \wedge M) \xrightarrow{(1 \wedge i)^*} h^{k+2}(X \wedge S^1)$$

$$\xleftarrow[\approx]{\sigma} h^{k+3}(X \wedge S^2) \xrightarrow{(1 \wedge \pi)^*} h^{k+3}(X \wedge M) = h^{k+1}(X; Z_p),$$

which are natural and called as the reduction “mod p ” and the “mod p ” Bockstein homomorphism. The following relations are easily seen.

$$(3.1) \quad \sigma_p \rho_p = \rho_p \sigma, \sigma_p \delta_p = -\delta_p \sigma_p, \delta_p \rho_p = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_p \delta_p = 0.$$

In particular, the Bockstein homomorphism δ_p is a stable operation of degree 1 in mod p cohomology theory.

3.2. Let θ be a stable operation of degree n in the cohomology theory $\{h^*, \sigma\}$, i.e., $\sigma\theta = (-1)^n\theta\sigma$. We put

$$\theta_p: h^k(X; Z_p) = h^{k+2}(X \wedge M) \xrightarrow{\theta} h^{k+n+2}(X \wedge M) = h^{k+n}(X; Z_p) \\ \text{for all } k,$$

which is a stable operation of degree n in the mod p cohomology theory $\{h^*(\ ; Z_p), \sigma_p\}$, i.e., $\sigma_p\theta_p = (-1)^n\theta_p\sigma_p$, and called as the “mod p ” reduction of θ . From the definitions of ρ_p , δ_p , θ_p and a stable operation of degree n , we obtain the following relations.

$$(3.2) \quad \delta_p\theta_p = (-1)^n\theta_p\delta_p \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_p\rho_p = \rho_p\theta.$$

REMARK. In the “mod 2” singular cohomology theory. Since $\delta_2 = S_q^1$ and $S_q^1 S_q^{2n} = S_q^{2n+1} \neq S_q^{2n} S_q^1$ for any $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$, S_q^{2n} ($n=1, 2, 3, \dots$) are not the “mod 2” reduction of any stable operations in the integral cohomology theory.

3.3. Let $\{h^*, \sigma\}$ be a cohomology theory. Let X be a CW -complex with a base vertex x_0 , and let $\{X_\alpha\}$ be the family of all finite subcomplexes with base vertex x_0 . Then $\{h^*(X_\alpha)\}$ becomes an inverse system with respect to the homomorphisms induced from the inclusion maps, and we can define

$$h^*(X) = \lim_{\alpha} \text{inv } h^*(X_\alpha).$$

3.4. In the rest of this paper, we consider a fixed spectrum $\mathbf{E} = \{E_k, \varepsilon_k\}$ and denote by $\{h^*, \sigma\}$, the cohomology theory $\{h^*(\ ; \mathbf{E}), \sigma\}$ associated with \mathbf{E} . And we consider a fixed semi-duality map $\omega: SM \wedge SM \rightarrow S^5$.

Denote by $\iota_k \in h^k(E_k) = h^k(E_k; \mathbf{E})$ and $\iota_M^k \in h^k(E_k \wedge M; \mathbf{E} \wedge M)$, the classes represented by the identity maps of E_k and $E_k \wedge M$ respectively. And denote by $\omega^k \in h^{k+1}(E_k \wedge M; Z_p) = h^{k+1}(E_k \wedge M; \mathbf{E} \text{ mod } p)$, the class $\Gamma(\omega)(\iota_M^k)$, where

$$\Gamma(\omega): h^*(\ ; \mathbf{E} \wedge M) \rightarrow h^*(\ ; \mathbf{E} \text{ mod } p)$$

is an isomorphic stable natural transformation of degree 1.

We put

$$\varepsilon_{k,M}: S(E_k \wedge M) = E_k \wedge M \wedge S^1 \xrightarrow{1 \wedge T} E_k \wedge S^1 \wedge M \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_k \wedge 1} E_{k+1} \wedge M,$$

and consider the following sequences:

$$h_*(E_{k+1}) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_k^*} h^*(SE_k) \xrightarrow[\approx]{\sigma} h^*(E_k), \\ h^*(E_{k+1} \wedge M; \mathbf{E} \wedge M) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{k,M}^*} h^*(S(E_k \wedge M); \mathbf{E} \wedge M) \\ \xrightarrow[\approx]{\sigma} h^*(E_k \wedge M; \mathbf{E} \wedge M),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
h^*(E_{k+1} \wedge M; Z_p) &\xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{k,M}^*} h^*(S(E_k \wedge M); Z_p) \xrightarrow[\approx]{\sigma_p} h^*(E_k \wedge M; Z_p), \\
h^*(E_k \wedge M; Z_p) &\xrightarrow{(1 \wedge i)^*} h^*(E_k \wedge S^1; Z_p) \xrightarrow[\approx]{\sigma_p} h^*(E_k; Z_p), \\
h^*(E_k; Z_p) &\xleftarrow[\approx]{\sigma_p^2} h^*(E_k \wedge S^2; Z_p) \xrightarrow{(1 \wedge \pi)^*} h^*(E_k \wedge M; Z_p).
\end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.4. *There are relations:*

- (i) $\iota^k = \sigma \varepsilon_k^*(\iota^{k+1})$, (ii) $\iota_M^k = \sigma \varepsilon_{k,M}^*(\iota_M^{k+1})$,
- (iii) $\omega^k = -\sigma_p \varepsilon_{k,M}^*(\omega^{k+1})$, (iv) $\rho_p(\iota^k) = \sigma_p(1 \wedge i)^*(\omega^k)$.
- (v) $\delta_p(\omega^k) = -(1 \wedge \pi)^* \sigma_p^{-2} \rho_p(\iota^k)$.

Proof. Relations (i) and (ii) are trivial, and (iii) is a consequence of $\omega^k = \Gamma(\omega)(\iota_M^k)$ and the fact that $\Gamma(\omega)$ is a stable natural transformation of degree 1, i.e., $\sigma_p \Gamma(\omega) = -\Gamma(\omega) \sigma$ and $\varepsilon_{k,M}^* \Gamma(\omega) = \Gamma(\omega) \varepsilon_{k,M}^*$.

Relations (iv) and (v) follow from the diagrams below (cf. (1.3.2)), the definition of ρ_p and δ_p , and the fact that $\omega^k \in h^{k+1}(E_k \wedge M; Z_p) = h^{k+3}(E_k \wedge M \wedge M; E)$ is represented by the composition:

$$\begin{aligned}
S^2(E_k \wedge M \wedge M) &= E_k \wedge M \wedge M \wedge S^1 \wedge S^1 \xrightarrow{1 \wedge 1 \wedge T \wedge 1} E_k \wedge SM \wedge SM \\
&\xrightarrow{1 \wedge \omega} E_k \wedge S^5 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} E_{k+5},
\end{aligned}$$

where ε is the composition:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_k \wedge S^5 &= S^4(SE_k) \xrightarrow{S^4 \varepsilon_k} S^4 E_{k+1} \xrightarrow{S^3 \varepsilon_{k+1}} S^3 E_{k+2} \rightarrow \dots \\
&\rightarrow SE_{k+4} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{k+4}} E_{k+5}.
\end{aligned}$$

Because, by making use of the following homotopy commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
S^2 \wedge SM & \xrightarrow{Si \wedge 1} & SM \wedge SM \\
\downarrow 1 \wedge S\pi & & \downarrow \omega \\
S^2 \wedge S(S^2) & \xlongequal{\quad} & S^5
\end{array}$$

the class $(1 \wedge i)^*(\omega^k)$ is represented by the composition:

$$\begin{aligned}
S^2(E_k \wedge S^1 \wedge M) &= E_k \wedge S^1 \wedge M \wedge S^2 \xrightarrow{1 \wedge 1 \wedge \pi \wedge 1} E_k \wedge S^1 \wedge S^2 \wedge S^2 \\
&= E_k \wedge S^5 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} E_{k+5}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the class $\sigma_p(1 \wedge i)^*(\omega^k)$ is represented by the composition:

$$S^3(E_k \wedge M) = E_k \wedge M \wedge S^3 \xrightarrow{1 \wedge \pi \wedge 1} E_k \wedge S^2 \wedge S^3 = E_k \wedge S^5 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} E_{k+5}.$$

And also this map represents $\rho_p(\iota^k)$. Thus the relation (iv) is obtained.

The relation (v) is obtained by the similar way from the following homotopy commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} SM \wedge S^2 & \xrightarrow{S\pi \wedge 1} & S(S^2) \wedge S^2 \\ \downarrow 1 \wedge Si & & \parallel \\ SM \wedge SM & \xrightarrow{\omega} & S^5. \end{array} \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Now, we can define

$$\begin{aligned} h^s(\mathbf{E}) &= \lim_{\leftarrow k} \{h^{k+s}(E_k), (-1)^s \sigma \varepsilon_k^*\}, \\ h^s(\mathbf{E}; Z_p) &= \lim_{\leftarrow k} \{h^{k+s}(E_k; Z_p), (-1)^s \sigma_p \varepsilon_k^*\}, \\ h^s(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; \mathbf{E} \wedge M) &= \lim_{\leftarrow k} \{h^{k+s}(E_k \wedge M; \mathbf{E} \wedge M), (-1)^s \sigma \varepsilon_{k,M}^*\}, \\ h^s(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; Z_p) &= \lim_{\leftarrow k} \{h^{k+s}(E_k \wedge M; Z_p), (-1)^s \sigma_p \varepsilon_{k,M}^*\}, \\ \rho_p &= \{\rho_p\}: h^s(\mathbf{E}) \rightarrow h^s(\mathbf{E}; Z_p), \\ i^{**} &= \{\sigma_p(1 \wedge i)^*\}: h^s(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; Z_p) \rightarrow h^{s-1}(\mathbf{E}; Z_p), \\ \pi^{**} &= \{(1 \wedge \pi)^* \sigma_p^{-2}\}: h^s(\mathbf{E}; Z_p) \rightarrow h^{s+2}(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; Z_p), \end{aligned}$$

and we can denote

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\iota} &= \{\iota^k\} \in h^0(\mathbf{E}), \quad \tilde{\iota}_p = \{\rho_p(\iota^k)\} \in h^0(\mathbf{E}; Z_p), \\ \tilde{\iota}_M &= \{\iota_M^k\} \in h^0(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; \mathbf{E} \wedge M), \quad \tilde{\omega} = \{\omega^k\} \in h^1(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; Z_p), \\ \delta_p(\tilde{\omega}) &= \{\delta_p(\omega^k)\} \in h^2(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; Z_p), \end{aligned}$$

which are well-defined from (3.1) and Proposition 3.4. Then we obtain the following relations.

$$(3.4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{(i)} \quad \tilde{\iota}_p = \rho_p(\tilde{\iota}), \quad \text{(ii)} \quad \tilde{\iota}_p = i^{**}(\tilde{\omega}), \\ &\text{(iii)} \quad \delta_p(\tilde{\omega}) = -\pi^{**}(\tilde{\iota}_p). \end{aligned}$$

REMARK. Making use of the cofibration

$$S^1 \xrightarrow{i} M \xrightarrow{\pi} S^2,$$

we have the following exact sequence.

$$(3.4.2) \quad \xrightarrow{\times p} h^*(X) \xrightarrow{(1 \wedge \pi)^* \sigma^{-2}} h^*(X \wedge M) \xrightarrow{\sigma(1 \wedge i)^*} h^*(X) \xrightarrow{\times p}$$

for any cohomology theory $\{h^*, \sigma\}$ and any finite CW-complex X . But, in

general the limit sequence of an inverse system of exact sequences need not be exact (cf. [4], Chap. 8). So the following sequence need not be exact.

$$(3.4.3) \quad \xrightarrow{\times p} h^*(E; Z_p) \xrightarrow{\pi^{**}} h^*(E \wedge M; Z_p) \xrightarrow{i^{**}} h^*(E; Z_p) \xrightarrow{\times p}.$$

3.5. Denote by $O^n(E)$, $O^n(E \wedge M)$ and $O^n(E; Z_p)$, the modules of the stable operations of degree n in the cohomology theories $h^*(; E)$, $h^*(; E \wedge M)$ and $h^*(; E \bmod p)$ respectively, where the addition is defined by pointwise operation.

Let $\theta \in O^n(E)$. Since $\theta(\iota^k) = \theta(\sigma \varepsilon_k^*(\iota^{k+1})) = (-1)^n \sigma \varepsilon_k^*(\theta(\iota^{k+1}))$ in $h^{n+k}(E_k; E)$, we can define $\theta(\tilde{\iota}) = \{\theta(\iota^k)\} \in h^n(E; E)$. Similarly, we can define $\theta(\tilde{\iota}_M) = \{\theta(\iota_M^k)\} \in h^n(E \wedge M; E \wedge M)$ for $\theta \in O^n(E \wedge M)$, and $\theta(\tilde{\omega}) = \{\theta(\omega^k)\} \in h^{n+1}(E \wedge M; E \bmod p)$ for $\theta \in O^n(E; Z_p)$.

Theorem 3.5. *The following homomorphisms are isomorphisms.*

- (i) $\Phi: O^n(E) \rightarrow h^n(E) = h^n(E; E)$ defined by $\Phi(\theta) = \theta(\tilde{\iota})$,
- (ii) $\Phi_M: O^n(E \wedge M) \rightarrow h^n(E \wedge M; E \wedge M)$ defined by $\Phi_M(\theta) = \theta(\tilde{\iota}_M)$,
- (iii) $\Phi_p: O^n(E; Z_p) \rightarrow h^{n+1}(E \wedge M; Z_p) = h^{n+1}(E \wedge M; E \bmod p)$ defined by $\Phi_p(\theta) = \theta(\tilde{\omega})$.

Proof. Let $\alpha \in h^k(X; E)$ be a class represented by a map

$$f: S^l X \rightarrow E_{l+k},$$

then $\alpha = \sigma^l f^*(\iota^{l+k})$, and also α is represented by the composition:

$$S^{l+1} X \xrightarrow{Sf} SE_{l+k} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{l+k}} E_{l+k+1}.$$

Thus, for $\theta \in O^n(E)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(\alpha) &= \theta(\sigma^l f^*(\iota^{l+k})) = (-1)^{ln} \sigma^l f^* \theta(\iota^{l+k}) \\ &= (-1)^{(l+1)n} \sigma^l f^* \sigma \varepsilon_{l+k}^* \theta(\iota^{l+k+1}) \\ &= (-1)^{(l+1)n} \sigma^{l+1} (Sf)^* \varepsilon_{l+k}^* \theta(\iota^{l+k+1}) \\ &= \theta(\sigma^{l+1} (Sf)^* \varepsilon_{l+k}^* (\iota^{l+k+1})), \end{aligned}$$

since $\sigma(Sf)^* = f^* \sigma$. And this assures (i). (ii) is similarly proved, because $h^*(; E \wedge M)$ is the cohomology theory defined on the spectrum $\{E_k \wedge M, \varepsilon_{k,M}\}$.

Let $\theta \in O^n(E; Z_p)$, then $\Gamma(\omega)^{-1} \theta \Gamma(\omega) \in O^n(E \wedge M)$ and this correspondence of θ to $\Gamma(\omega)^{-1} \theta \Gamma(\omega)$ induces an isomorphism of $O^n(E; Z_p)$ to $O^n(E \wedge M)$, because $\Gamma(\omega)$ is an isomorphic stable natural transformation. Since $\tilde{\omega} = \Gamma(\omega)(\tilde{\iota}_M)$, we obtain (iii). q.e.d.

Because of the above theorem, we study $h^*(E \wedge M; Z_p)$ for the investigation

of the graded algebra $\mathcal{O}^*(\mathbf{E}; Z_p) = \sum_n \mathcal{O}^n(\mathbf{E}; Z_p)$, where the multiplication is defined by the composition.

We obtain the following relations from (3.2), (3.4) and (3.4.1).

$$(3.5.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & i^{**}\phi(\tilde{\omega}) = (-1)^n \phi(\tilde{\iota}_p) \text{ and } \pi^{**}\phi(\tilde{\iota}_p) = -\phi \delta_p(\tilde{\omega}) \text{ for } \phi \in \mathcal{O}^n(\mathbf{E}; Z_p), \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & i^{**}\theta_p(\tilde{\omega}) = (-1)^n \rho_p(\theta(\tilde{\iota})) \text{ and } \pi^{**}\rho_p(\theta(\tilde{\iota})) = -\theta_p \delta_p(\tilde{\omega}) \text{ for } \theta \in \mathcal{O}^n(\mathbf{E}), \\ & \text{where } \theta_p \text{ is the mod } p \text{ reduction of } \theta. \end{aligned}$$

3.6. Now, we consider some conditions on the spectrum $\mathbf{E} = \{E_k, \varepsilon_k\}$ under which the sequence (3.4.3) becomes exact.

Let $\{E_{k,l}, \varepsilon_{k,l} | k, l \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ be a family of finite CW -complexes $E_{k,l}$ and maps $\varepsilon_{k,l}: SE_{k,l} \rightarrow E_{k+1,l}$, where the set $\{E_{k,l} | l \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a family of subcomplexes of E_k with the common base vertex as one of E_k for any integer k , such that

$$\text{(i)} \quad E_{k,l} \subset E_{k,l+1}, \quad \text{(ii)} \quad E_k = \bigcup_l E_{k,l}$$

and (iii) the following diagrams are commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} SE_{k,l} & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{k,l}} & E_{k+1,l} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ SE_k & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_k} & E_{k+1} \end{array}$$

where the vertical arrows are inclusion maps.

$$\text{Then,} \quad h^*(E_k; \mathbf{E}) = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ l}} \{h^*(E_{k,l}; \mathbf{E}), \iota_{k,l}^*\},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and} \quad h^*(\mathbf{E}; \mathbf{E}) &= \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ k}} \{h^*(E_k; \mathbf{E}), (-1)^* \sigma \varepsilon_k^*\} \\ &= \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ k}} \{h^*(E_{k,k}; \mathbf{E}), (-1)^* \sigma \varepsilon_{k,k}^* \iota_{k+1,k}^*\} \end{aligned}$$

where $\iota_{k,l}: E_{k,l} \rightarrow E_{k,l+1}$ is an inclusion map.

From (3.4.2), the following results are easy consequence of the properties of the inverse limit.

$$(3.6.1) \quad \text{If } h^*(E_{k,k}) \text{ have no } p\text{-torsion for any } k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Then the following sequences are exact:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow h^*(\mathbf{E}; Z_p) &\xrightarrow{\pi^{**}} h^*(\mathbf{E} \wedge M; Z_p) \xrightarrow{i^{**}} h^*(\mathbf{E}; Z_p), \\ 0 \rightarrow h^*(\mathbf{E}) &\xrightarrow{\times p} h^*(\mathbf{E}) \xrightarrow{\rho_p} h^*(\mathbf{E}; Z_p). \end{aligned}$$

(3.6.2) If $h^*(E_{k,k})$ are free abelian groups and the maps $\sigma \varepsilon_{k,k}^* \iota_{k+1,k}^*: h^*(E_{k+1,k+1}) \rightarrow h^*(E_{k,k})$ are onto for any $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $\rho_p: h^*(\mathbf{E}) \rightarrow h^*(\mathbf{E}; Z_p)$ is an onto homomorphism and therefore $h^*(\mathbf{E}) \otimes Z_p \approx h^*(\mathbf{E}; Z_p)$.

From (3.6.1) and (3.6.2), we obtain

(3.6.3) Under the condition of (3.6.2) on $h^*(E_{k,k})$, if the order of $\tilde{\omega} \in h^1(E \wedge M; Z_p)$ is p , i.e., $p\tilde{\omega}=0$. Then the following sequence is a split exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow h^*(E; Z_p) \xrightarrow{\pi^{**}} h^*(E \wedge M; Z_p) \xrightarrow{i^{**}} h^*(E; Z_p) \rightarrow 0$$

and $h^*(E \wedge M; Z_p)$ is a free $O^*(E)/pO^*(E)$ -module with generators $\tilde{\omega}$ and $\delta_p(\tilde{\omega})$.

Proof. We consider a correspondence of $\rho_p(\theta(\tilde{i}))$ to $\theta_p(\tilde{\omega})$. Since $p\tilde{\omega}=0$ and $h^*(E; Z_p) = \rho_p h^*(E) \approx h^*(E) \otimes Z_p$, this correspondence is a well-defined homomorphism of $h^*(E; Z_p)$ to $h^*(E \wedge M; Z_p)$ and this is a right inverse of i^{**} from (3.5.1), thus the above sequence is a split exact sequence. Since $h^*(E; Z_p)$ is a free $O^*(E)/pO^*(E)$ -module with one generator \tilde{i}_p from (3.2), (3.6.2) and Theorem 3.5, the final part follows from (3.5.1). q.e.d.

REMARK. If p is an odd prime, then the relation $p\tilde{\omega}=0$ is always true, and if $p=2$, this is true under some condition connecting with the Hopf map $\eta: S^3 \rightarrow S^2$ ([1]).

As a corollary of (3.2), (3.5.1), (3.6.3) and Theorem 3.5, we obtain

Theorem 3.6. *If $p\tilde{\omega}=0$, $h^*(E_{k,k})$ are free abelian groups and the maps $\sigma \varepsilon_{k,k}^* \iota_{k+1,k}^*: h^*(E_{k+1,k+1}) \rightarrow h^*(E_{k,k})$ are onto for any $k \in Z$. Then, there exists an isomorphism*

$$O^*(E; Z_p) \approx (O^*(E)/pO^*(E)) \otimes \Lambda_p(\delta_p)$$

as graded algebras over Z_p , where $\Lambda_p(\delta_p)$ is the exterior algebra generated by the Bockstein homomorphism δ_p . Moreover, $O^*(E)/pO^*(E)$ is identified with the mod p reduction of $O^*(E)$, a subalgebra of $O^*(E; Z_p)$.

3.7. As an application of Theorem 3.6, we consider the stable operations in mod p U -cobordism theory.

Denote by $\xi_{k,l}$ the canonical complex k -plane bundle over the complex Grassmann manifold $G_{k,l}$ of k -planes in C^{k+l} , and denote by $M(\xi_{k,l})$ the Thom complex of $\xi_{k,l}$.

Let $\varepsilon_{k,l}: S^2 M(\xi_{k,l}) \rightarrow M(\xi_{k+1,l})$ be a map induced from the canonical bundle map $\xi_{k,l} \oplus C^1 \rightarrow \xi_{k+1,l}$, and let $\iota_{k,l}: M(\xi_{k,l}) \rightarrow M(\xi_{k,l+1})$ be a canonical inclusion. Then the Thom spectrum $MU = \{MU(k), \varepsilon_k\}$ is defined by

$$MU(k) = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ l}} \{M(\xi_{k,l}), \iota_{k,l}\} \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon_k | M(\xi_{k,l}) = \varepsilon_{k,l}.$$

And U -cobordism theory is the cohomology theory associated with MU .

The family $\{M(\xi_{k,l}), \varepsilon_{k,l}\}$ satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 3.6 (cf. [5]) and the order of $\tilde{\omega} \in h^1(MU \wedge M; Z_p)$ is p for any prime p (cf. [1], Th. 2.3).

Therefore, Theorem 3.6 is applicable.

On the other hand, Landweber [5] shows that there exists an isomorphism

$$O^*(MU) \approx Z[\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n, \dots] \otimes h^*(S^0; MU)$$

as modules, where γ_n is the n -th U -cobordism characteristic class defined by Conner & Floyd [2], which corresponds to a stable U -cobordism operation of degree $2n$. Therefore, we obtain

Theorem 3.7. *There exists an isomorphism*

$$\begin{aligned} O^*(MU; Z_p) &\approx Z_p[\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n, \dots] \otimes \Lambda_p(\delta_p) \\ &\quad \otimes (h^*(S^0; MU)/ph^*(S^0; MU)) \end{aligned}$$

as modules over Z_p .

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