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# ENDOMORPHISMS OF EXOTIC MODELS

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**Abstract.** We calculate the endomorphism dga of Franke's exotic algebraic model for the *K*-local stable homotopy category at odd primes. We unravel its original abstract structure to give explicit generators, differentials and products.

**1. Introduction.** The stable homotopy category Ho(S) is a large and complex category. Thus, it becomes natural to break it up. First, we break it into its *p*-local parts  $Ho(S_{(p)})$ , and then these are broken into smaller, atomic pieces. These pieces are described by the *chromatic localisations*  $Ho(L_nS)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . (Note that the prime *p* is traditionally absent from the notation.) We can think of the stable homotopy category as a city with a tower block with infinitely many floors for each prime, the first *n* floors being described by  $Ho(L_nS)$ , where K(n) is the *n* Morava *K*-theory.





The 'ground floor',  $Ho(L_{K(0)}S)$ , is given by rational homotopy theory, which is the same for all primes. The first and ground floor,  $Ho(L_1S)$ , are governed by *p*-local topological *K*-theory, which is related to vector bundles. The next level,  $Ho(L_2S)$ , is related to elliptic curves, but is already much more complicated to describe, while the higher levels are valuable for their structural contribution to the bigger picture rather than any individual computational merits.

Schwede showed in [19] that the triangulated structure of Ho(S) determines the entire higher homotopy information of spectra, that is, it determines the underlying model category up to suitable equivalence. In other words, the stable homotopy category is *rigid*. This is particularly interesting because examples of rigidity are usually hard to find. A natural question to follow is whether the atomic building blocks Ho( $L_nS$ ) are also rigid. Franke showed in [10] that for n = 1 and  $p \ge 5$  this is false and Ho( $L_nS$ ) are not rigid by constructing an algebraic counterexample. Note that the Franke's result in [10] is formulated for  $n^2 + n < 2p - 2$ . This version contains a gap which is pointed out in [13], and partially filled in [14].

The second author showed in [16] that in contrast, in the case of n = 1 and p = 2, the K-local stable homotopy category Ho( $L_1S$ ) is rigid. To this day it is rather mysterious why counterexamples exist for  $p \ge 5$  but not for p = 2, and what the situation is like outside of the range covered by Franke and Roitzheim. For p = 3, there is an equivalence but it seems from [14] that is unknown whether the equivalence is triangulated.

Franke's model is *algebraic*, which means that it is model enriched over the model category of chain complexes. Therefore, it makes sense to direct the study of exotic models to algebraic models. For example, is Franke's model the only algebraic model for Ho( $L_1S$ )? Or are all exotic models for Ho( $L_1S$ ) algebraic?

By Morita theory, algebraic model categories which have a single compact generator are determined by an endomorphism dga with homology and Massey products. To get a grip on those uniqueness questions we have to understand the endomorphism dgas: if there was a unique endomorphism dga, then there would also be a unique algebraic model. This has partially been answered in [18], but it does not seem feasible to approach this by hand due to the rapidly increasing complexity of the computations.

Thus, in order to work towards a greater understanding of algebraic models, their uniqueness, and ultimately the stable homotopy category, we are going to look at the endomorphism dga of Franke's exotic models. This construction used many abstract ingredients, such as injective resolutions of  $E(1)_*E(1)$ -comodules, Adams operations, quasi-periodicity and  $v_1$ -self maps. The goal of this paper is to carefully unravel these abstractions in order to arrive at the  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -module structure of the dga in question. We hope that going through and turning the abstract machinery into concrete numbers will contribute to the greater picture by allowing for direct calculations in future.

This paper is organised as follows. In Section 2, we recall some background on endomorphism dgas and the context that we are using them in. In Section 3, we give a summary of the construction and properties of Franke's exotic model for Ho( $L_1S$ ). In Section 4, we perform first steps to simplify the endomorphism dga of a compact generator of Franke's model, showing that some pieces are trivial. In Section 5, we show how the endomorphism dga can be expressed explicitly in terms of sequences with coefficients in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , using work of [6]. In Sections 6 and 7, we use the sequence representation to do an explicit calculation of the homology of the endomorphism dga, verifying that it gives the expected result. We conclude in Section 8 by verifying that the product and Massey products also give the expected result.

**2.** Algebraic models. The basic goal is to study the *K*-local stable homotopy category at an odd prime p. We assume that the reader is familiar with basic notions regarding stable model categories and Bousfield localisation, see for example [3]. For background on *K*-theory and related topics, see [5]. Recall that *K*-theory splits into

$$K = \bigvee_{i=0}^{p-2} \Sigma^{2i} E(1),$$

where E(1) is the Adams summand with  $E(1)_* = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[v_1, v_1^{-1}], |v_1| = 2p - 2$ . Thus,  $L_{K_{(p)}} = L_{E(1)}$ , which is commonly denoted by  $L_1$ .

To study the  $K_{(p)}$ -local stable homotopy category Ho( $L_1S$ ), we will study the existence of *algebraic model categories*: a stable  $Ch(\mathbb{Z})$ -model category C in the sense of [7, Appendix A], such that there is an equivalence of triangulated categories

$$\Phi: \operatorname{Ho}(L_1\mathcal{S}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ho}(\mathcal{C}).$$

If C is an arbitrary stable model category, it can be very hard to understand it, or to compare  $L_1S$  with C. The following result [**20**, Theorem 3.1.1] gives a more concrete way to approach C. Recall that an object  $X \in Ho(C)$  is *compact* if the functor Ho(C)(X, -) commutes with arbitrary coproducts. X is a *generator* if the full subcategory of Ho(C) containing X, which is closed under coproducts and exact triangles is again Ho(C) itself. Then, we have the following result.

THEOREM 1 (Schwede-Shipley). Let C be a simplicial proper, stable model category with a compact generator X. Then, there exists a chain of simplicial Quillen equivalences between C and module spectra over the endomorphism ring spectrum of X,

$$\mathcal{C} \simeq mod\text{-} \operatorname{End}(X).$$

Note that the assumption that C is simplicial is not a significant restriction, see for example [8].

The category Ho( $L_1S$ ) possesses the sphere  $L_1S^0$  as a compact generator. Thus, if  $\Phi : \text{Ho}(L_1S) \longrightarrow \text{Ho}(C)$  is a triangulated equivalence as above, we can use (a fibrant and cofibrant replacement of)  $X = \Phi(L_1S^0)$  as a compact generator for Ho(C).

From Theorem 1, we know that the endomorphism ring spectrum End(X) satisfies

$$\pi_*(\operatorname{End}(X)) \cong \operatorname{Ho}(\mathcal{C})(X, X)_*.$$

Combining this with our triangulated equivalence, we have

$$\pi_*(\operatorname{End}(X)) \cong \operatorname{Ho}(\mathcal{C})(X, X)_* \cong \pi_*(L_1S^0).$$

Now, if we additionally assume that C is an algebraic category, [9, Proposition 6.3] gives us the following about the endomorphism spectrum.

THEOREM 2. Let C be an algebraic model category with a fibrant and cofibrant compact generator X. Then, the endomorphism ring spectrum End(X) is weakly

equivalent to the generalised Eilenberg-Mac Lane spectrum of the endomorphism dga C(X, X).

Moreover, for  $X \cong \Phi(L_1S^0)$ , the endomorphism dga  $\mathcal{C}(X, X)$  satisfies ([18, Lemma 2.1]):

- $H_*(\mathcal{C}(X, X)) = \operatorname{Ho}(\mathcal{C})(X, X)_* = \pi_*(L_1S^0),$
- Under the above, the Massey products of H<sub>\*</sub>(C(X, X)) coincide with the Toda brackets of π<sub>\*</sub>(L<sub>1</sub>S<sup>0</sup>).

Thus, we see that in order to understand algebraic models C for  $L_1S$  it is vital to understand the endomorphism dga of a compact generator. In the next section, we will describe a specific algebraic model C that will be the focus of this paper, and also take a closer look at its compact generator.

3. Franke's model and its compact generator. In this section, we are going to give a brief description of the particular algebraic model for  $Ho(L_1S)$  that we will be looking at in detail in the subsequent sections. This was developed by Franke [10]; further details are available in [17] (and [14] for the triangulated structure). In what follows, we will use notation consistent with [17].

To begin, we consider the category  $\mathcal{B}$ , an abelian category, which is equivalent to  $E(1)_*E(1)$ -comodules that are concentrated in degrees 0 mod 2p - 2. (Note that in [5], Bousfield denotes this category by  $\mathcal{B}(p)_*$ .) We can think of  $E(1)_*E(1)$ -comodules as modules over  $E(1)_*$  with an action of the Adams operations. Furthermore, the category  $\mathcal{B}$  is equipped with self-equivalences

$$T^{j(p-1)}: \mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B} \ (j \in \mathbb{Z})$$

each of which is the identity on the underlying  $E(1)_*$ -modules but changes the Adams operation  $\Psi^k$  by a factor of  $k^{j(p-1)}$ .

Now, we consider *twisted chain complexes*  $C^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$  on  $\mathcal{B}$ . An object of  $C^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$  is a cochain complex  $C^*$  with  $C^i \in \mathcal{B}$ , together with an isomorphism

$$\alpha_C: T^{(p-1)}(C^*) \longrightarrow C^*[2p-2] = C^{*+2p-2}.$$

Morphisms in this category are cochain maps  $f : C^* \longrightarrow D^*$  which are compatible with those isomorphisms, that is, for which there is a commutative diagram.

We can define a model structure on  $C^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$  as follows.

**PROPOSITION 3** (Franke). There is a model structure on  $C^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$ , such that

- weak equivalences are the quasi-isomorphisms,
- cofibrations are the monomorphisms,
- fibrations are the degree-wise split epimorphisms with strictly injective kernel.

Here, an object  $C^*$  is said to be strictly injective if it is level-wise injective and for each acyclic complex  $D^*$ , the mapping chain complex  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}(D^*, C^*)^*$  is again acyclic.

Note that the above model structure is a variant of the standard injective model structure on chain complexes. There is no projective-type model structure on  $C^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$ , as  $\mathcal{B}$  has enough injectives but not enough projectives.

Now, let  $\mathcal{D}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$  be the homotopy category of a model category of  $\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$ . This is the exotic algebraic model we are interested in:

THEOREM 4 (Franke). For  $p \ge 5$  there is an equivalence of triangulated categories

$$\mathcal{R}: \mathcal{D}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Ho}(L_1\mathcal{S})$$

which satisfies

$$\bigoplus_{i=0}^{2p-3} H^i(C)[-i] \cong E(1)_*(\mathcal{R}(C)).$$

Concerning the equivalence  $\mathcal{R}: \mathcal{D}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B}) \longrightarrow \text{Ho}(L_1\mathcal{S})$ , the notation  $\mathcal{R}$  stands for *reconstruction functor*. Usually, one would expect an equivalence between two categories, such as the above to have the category of topological origin as its source and the algebraic category as its target. But, in this unusual case, the equivalence *reconstructs* a topological object from an algebraic one.

This reconstruction can be described as follows. To build a spectrum X from a chain complex  $C^*$ , one first considers the boundaries  $B^i$  of  $C^*(1 \le i \le 2p - 2)$  and the quotients  $G^i$  of  $C^*$  by its boundaries. Then, one assigns spectra  $X_{\beta_i}$  and  $X_{\gamma_i}$  to the  $B^i$  and  $G^i$ , respectively, so that

$$G^{l}(X) = E(1)_{*}(X_{\gamma_{l}})[-i]$$
 and  $B^{l}(X) = E(1)_{*}(X_{\beta_{l}})[-i].$ 

These spectra are now arranged in a crown-shaped diagram.



Then, the reconstruction spectrum  $X = \mathcal{R}(C^*)$  is defined to be the homotopy colimit of the above diagram. Proving that this defines an equivalence of categories as stated in Theorem 4 is a lengthy progress involving various Adams spectral sequences and diagram chases. Once it is completed, however, it is not too hard to read off the following:

LEMMA 5. The cochain complex  $A^* := \mathcal{R}^{-1}(L_1S^0)$  is  $A^i = T^{k(p-1)}(E(1)_*)$  in degrees  $i = k(2p-2), k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and 0 in all other degrees.

**4.** The endomorphism dga. Recall from Section 2 that in order to understand an algebraic model, we want to study the endomorphism dga of a compact generator. We

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know that the cochain complex of Lemma 5

$$A^* = \cdots \longrightarrow \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \qquad T^{-(p-1)}E(1)_* \longrightarrow \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \qquad \cdots$$
$$\cdots \longrightarrow \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \qquad E(1)_* \longrightarrow \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \qquad \cdots$$
$$\cdots \longrightarrow \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \qquad T^{(p-1)}E(1)_* \longrightarrow \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \qquad \cdots$$

is a compact generator for  $\mathcal{D}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$ . Hence, to understand Franke's model we need to study the endomorphism dga  $C^*$  of  $A^*$ , that is,

$$C^* := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}(A^*, A^*).$$

Note that our endomorphism dga is cohomologically graded. By construction,

$$H^{t-s}(C^*) = \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}^{s,t}(E(1)_*, E(1)_*),$$

which is the  $E^2$ -term of the  $E(1)_*$ -based Adams spectral sequence for  $\pi_*(L_1S^0)$ . Examining the degrees shows that this spectral collapses, giving an isomorphism  $H^n(C^*) = \pi_n(L_1S^0)$ .

We intend to unravel what  $C^*$  looks like as  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module and obtain a concrete description of this chain complex. We begin by considering the general form of any mapping chain complex  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}(X^*, Y^*)$  for arbitrary  $X^*, Y^* \in \mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$ . This satisfies

$$H^*(\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})})(X^*, Y^*) = \mathcal{D}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})(X^*, Y^*).$$

When  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$  are concentrated in one degree up to periodicity, that is,

$$X^* = \prod_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} T^{k(p-1)} X[-k(2p-2)] \text{ and } Y^* = \prod_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} T^{k(p-1)} Y[-k(2p-2)]$$

for some  $X, Y \in \mathcal{B}$ , we have

$$H^{n-i}(\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}(X^*, Y^*)) = \prod_{i} \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}^{i,n}(X, Y).$$

We examine what such a morphism in  $C^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$  looks like when  $X^*$  is cofibrant and  $Y^*$  is fibrant. We will see that all morphisms  $f^* : X^* \longrightarrow Y^{*+s}$  are not only determined by the first  $f^0, ..., f^{2p-3} \in \mathcal{B}$  but also solely by the low-degree terms of  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$ .

First, by definition of the category  $C^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$  in Section 3, a morphism satisfies

$$f^{*+2p-2} \cong T^{p-1}(f^*).$$

This means that, for example, a map  $f^*: X^* \longrightarrow Y^*$  of degree 0 is defined by morphisms  $f^i: X^i \to Y^i$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $0 \le i \le 2p - 3$ , and similarly, a map  $f^*$  of degree  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  is determined by  $f^i: X^i \longrightarrow Y^{i+n}$  for  $0 \le i \le 2p - 3$ .

However, we also claim that a morphism of degree n = (2p - 2)r + s,  $0 \le s \le 2p - 3$  is in fact already defined by a morphism of degree s in  $\mathcal{B}$  between the lower degrees of  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$ , that is, the low-degree morphisms define the entire mapping chain complex.

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To see this, consider a morphism of degree 2p - 2, determined by

$$f^{0}: \quad X^{0} \longrightarrow Y^{2p-2} \cong T^{p-1}(Y^{0})$$

$$f^{1}: \quad X^{1} \longrightarrow Y^{2p-1} \cong T^{p-1}(Y^{1})$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$f^{2p-3}: X^{2p-3} \longrightarrow Y^{4p-5} \cong T^{p-1}(Y^{2p-3})$$

Consider the map  $f^0$  in  $\mathcal{B}$ . Recall that objects in  $\mathcal{B}$  are themselves graded, and denote this internal degree by a subscript. Therefore, by definition of  $T^{p-1}$ ,

$$f^0 = f^0_* : X^0_* \longrightarrow Y^{2p-2}_* \cong T^{p-1}(Y^0)_* \cong Y^0_{2p-2}$$

Any morphism in  $\mathcal{B}$ 

$$F_*: M_* \longrightarrow N_*$$

is given by a  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module map satisfying  $F \circ \Psi^k = \Psi^k \circ F$  for the Adams operation  $\Psi^k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ . Thus, a morphism

$$F: M_* \longrightarrow T^{p-1}(N)_* = N_{*+2p-2}$$

is a  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module map

$$F: M_* \longrightarrow N_{*+2p-2}$$

satisfying  $F(\Psi^k x) = k^p F(X)$ . Now, we also have [5, Section 4.2],

$$\Psi^k(v_1 \cdot y) = k^{p-1}v_1 \cdot \Psi^k(y) = k^p v_1 y,$$

which means that F factors as

$$M_* \xrightarrow{G} N_* \xrightarrow{\cdot v_1} N_{*+2p-2},$$

where G is a map in  $\mathcal{B}$  of degree 0, and multiplication by  $v_1$  is an isomorphism.

Returning to our map of chain complexes

$$f^0: X^0 \longrightarrow Y^{2p-2},$$

we see that  $f^0$  can be factored as  $f^0 = v_1 \cdot g_0$ , where  $g_0 : X^0 \longrightarrow Y^0$  is a morphism in  $\mathcal{B}$ . Similarly, any map

$$f^*: X^* \longrightarrow Y^* \in \mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})$$

of degree n = (2p - 2)r + s,  $0 \le s \le 2p - 3$  is determined by a map of degree s. Thus,

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}(X^*, Y^*)^* = \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X^*, Y^{*+n}) = \prod_{0 \le i, s \le 2p-3} \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X^i, Y^{i+s}).$$

Note that we have not yet considered the internal grading. The object

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X^{i}, Y^{i+s})$$

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is a graded  $E(1)_*$ -module, with the grading coming from the internal grading in  $\mathcal{B}$ on  $X^i = X_*^i$  and  $Y^{i+s} = Y_*^{i+s}$ . We say that an element in  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X^i, Y^{i+s})$  has degree t if it raises the internal degree by t. As we will consider each degree separately, we use  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X_*^i, Y_{*+t}^{i+s})$  to denote those morphisms in  $\mathcal{B}$  that raise degree by t. So in our notation, this is only a  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module and *not* an  $E(1)_*$ -module. In particular,  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X_*^i, Y_{*+t}^{i+s})$  is *not* a graded object.

Taking this internal degree into account, we define  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}(X^*, Y^*)^*$  to be the chain complex defined in degree *n* by

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}(X^*, Y^*)^n = \prod_{\substack{n=t-s, \\ 0 \le i, s \le 2p-3}} \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(X^i_{*-t}, Y^{i+s}_*),$$

that is, as shown earlier, the mapping chain complex is defined only by low-degree terms of the chain complexes as well as low-degree morphisms. (Recall that we are assuming that  $X^*$  is cofibrant and  $Y^*$  is fibrant. If this is not the case, cofibrant and fibrant replacements need to be applied.) The *n*th differential is given by

$$d_A \circ f + (-1)^{n+1} f \circ d_B.$$

The grading is consistent with the equivalence given in Lemma 5

$$\pi_{t-s}(L_1S^0) = \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}^{s,t}(E(1)_*, E(1)_*) = H^{t-s}\operatorname{Hom}(A^*, A^*),$$

where  $A^*$  is the compact generator. Explicitly,  $A^*$  is the cochain complex which is  $A^i = T^{k(p-1)}(E(1)_*)$  in degrees  $i = k(2p-2), k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and 0 in all other degrees.

In order to apply the above discussion to our endomorphism complex, we need to find a fibrant and cofibrant replacement for  $A^*$ . The model structure of Proposition 3 implies that any object in  $C^{2p-2}(B)$  is cofibrant, so in fact we only need a fibrant replacement.

To produce a fibrant replacement, we will use an injective resolution

$$0 \longrightarrow E(1)_* \longrightarrow I^0 \longrightarrow I^1 \longrightarrow I^2 \longrightarrow 0 \tag{1}$$

of  $E(1)_*$  as an  $E(1)_*E(1)$ -comodule. Since  $A^*$  is  $E(1)_*$  repeated periodically using the self-equivalence  $T^{(p-1)}$ , we will obtain an injective resolution of  $A^*$  by taking the injective resolution above and repeating it periodically, again applying the selfequivalence  $T^{(p-1)}$ . Since p is odd and the injective dimension of  $\mathcal{B}$  is 2 (as is the injective dimension of  $E(1)_*E(1)$ -comod) [5, Section 7], the pieces from the injective resolution do not overlap in the cochain complex.

For the injective resolution in (1), we will use the standard resolution by Adams-Baird-Ravenel [4]

$$0 \longrightarrow E(1)_* \longrightarrow E(1)_* E(1) \xrightarrow{(\Psi^r - 1)_*} E(1)_* E(1) \xrightarrow{q} E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow 0, \qquad (2)$$

where r is a unit of the cyclic group  $(\mathbb{Z}/p^2)^{\times}$ ,  $\Psi^r$  is the rth Adams operation and q is induced by the map  $E(1) \longrightarrow H\mathbb{Q}$  that is a rational homotopy isomorphism in degree 0 and trivial otherwise.

Note that this resolution I does not consist of injective comodules, but of *relative injective* comodules, see [11, Definition 3.1.1], that is, the functor  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(-, I)$  sends split short exact sequences of  $E(1)_*$ -modules to short exact sequences. By definition,

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{B}}^{*}(E(1)_{*}, E(1)_{*}) = H^{*}(\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*}, J)),$$

where J is an injective resolution of  $E(1)_*$ . As J is injective, one also has

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*, J) \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(J, J).$$

By [11, Lemma 3.1.4] the above is quasi-isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*, I)$  with I our relative injective resolution. Now, consider the split exact sequence of complexes  $E(1)_*$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow E(1)_* \longrightarrow I \longrightarrow K \longrightarrow 0,$$

where K is the cokernel of the first map. The sequence is split because the first map is the unit  $E(1)_* \longrightarrow E(1)_* E(1)$  in degree 0, where a split is given by the counit. This K is bounded above and below as well as acyclic, so it is contractible. Thus, by [11, Lemma 3.3.3], every map  $K \longrightarrow I$  is chain homotopic to the zero map, so  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(K, I) \simeq 0$ and consequently

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*, I) \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(I, I) \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(J, J),$$

which is what we are using.

Thus, we create a relative injective replacement equivalent to the fibrant replacement

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{A}^{fib})^* &= \\ & \cdots 0 \longrightarrow \quad T^{-(p-1)}I^0 \longrightarrow \quad T^{-(p-1)}I^1 \longrightarrow \quad T^{-(p-1)}I^2 \longrightarrow \quad 0 \longrightarrow \quad \cdots \\ & \cdots 0 \longrightarrow \qquad I^0 \longrightarrow \qquad I^1 \longrightarrow \qquad I^2 \longrightarrow \quad 0 \longrightarrow \quad \cdots \\ & \cdots 0 \longrightarrow \qquad T^{(p-1)}I^0 \longrightarrow \qquad T^{(p-1)}I^1 \longrightarrow \qquad T^{(p-1)}I^2 \longrightarrow \quad 0 \longrightarrow \quad \cdots \\ \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$(A^{fib}) = \mathbb{R}I = \prod_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} T^{k(p-1)}I[-k(2p-2)]$$

with

$$I = (\dots 0 \to I^0 \to I^1 \to I^2 \to 0 \dots) \in Ch(\mathcal{B})$$

and [n] denoting the *n*th suspension.

Returning to the definition of the endomorphism complex  $C^*$ , we have that

$$C^* := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}((A^{fib})^*, (A^{fib})^*)$$

is entirely determined by the terms of the form

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(I^{j}, I^{k}), \text{ where } i, j \in \{0, 1, 2\}.$$

So, we have to calculate nine potential terms:

$$C^{n} := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}^{2p-2}(\mathcal{B})}((\mathcal{A}^{fib})^{*}, (\mathcal{A}^{fib})^{*})^{n} = \prod_{n=t-s,i} \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{i})_{*-t}, (I^{i+s})_{*})$$

$$= \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-n}, (I^{0})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-(n-1)}, (I^{1})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-(n-2)}, (I^{2})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{1})_{*-(n+1)}, (I^{0})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{1})_{*-n}, (I^{1})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{1})_{*-(n-1)}, (I^{2})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-(n+2)}, (I^{0})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-(n+1)}, (I^{1})_{*}) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-n}, (I^{2})_{*})$$

and specify the differentials between those terms.

Since the terms appearing in the sequence (2) are either of the form  $E(1)_*E(1)$  or  $E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ , the nine terms above can be grouped into four types of the following form:

- (I)  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-t}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1))$
- (II) Hom<sub> $\mathcal{B}$ </sub>( $E(1)_{*-t}E(1), E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ )
- (III) Hom<sub> $\mathcal{B}$ </sub>( $E(1)_{*-t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_*E(1)$ )
- (IV)  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q})$

All of the above are trivial unless t is a multiple of 2p - 2. By [15, Appendix A1], we have the following natural isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{E(1)_*}(M, N) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(M, E(1)_* E(1) \otimes_{E(1)_*} N)$$
(3)

for  $M \in \mathcal{B}$  and N an  $E(1)_*$ -module. Applying this to the terms above yields the following.

*Type* (I) The isomorphism (3) gives

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-t}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1)) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{E(1)_{*}}(E(1)_{*-t}E(1), E(1)_{*}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}}(E(1)_{0}E(1), \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}(v_{1}^{k})) \quad \text{for } t = (2p-2)k$$

*Type (II)* Here, we have to distinguish between t = 0 and  $t \neq 0$ . Let us begin with t = 0. By [1],  $E(1)_*E(1)$  consists of Laurent polynomials living in  $\mathbb{Q}[u, u^{-1}, w, w^{-1}]$  with |u| = |w| = 2p - 2 satisfying certain conditions. (We can think of u and w as 'two copies of  $v_1$ ' in terms of the  $E(1)_*$ -action.) Furthermore,

$$E(1)_*E(1)\otimes \mathbb{Q}\cong \mathbb{Q}[u, u^{-1}, w, w^{-1}].$$

Now, let  $f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*E(1), E_* \otimes \mathbb{Q})$ . By definition, f is an  $E(1)_*$ -module homomorphism, and also the following diagram has to commute.

$$E(1)_*E(1) \xrightarrow{f} E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}[v_1, v_1^{-1}]$$

$$\downarrow \psi$$

$$E(1)_*E(1) \otimes_{E(1)_*} E(1)_*E(1) \xrightarrow{1 \otimes f} E(1)_*E(1) \otimes_{E(1)_*} E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q} = E(1)_*E(1) \otimes \mathbb{Q}.$$

For the coactions, we have

 $\Delta u^i w^j = u^i w^{2j}$  and  $\psi(v_1^i) = u^i$ ,

that is, w is group-like, see for example [2] or [12].

Since f is an  $E_*$ -module homomorphism, we have

$$f(u^{i}w^{j}) = v_{1}^{i+j}f(1).$$

Putting this information together, we see that the diagram can only commute if j = 0 or f is the zero map. So, f has to be zero on w, that is, only supported on Laurent polynomials in u. Thus, f can be considered as an  $E(1)_*$ -module homomorphism from  $E(1)_* \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[u, u^{-1}]$  to  $E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ . Thus, we have

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*E(1), E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{E(1)_*}(E(1)_*, E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \cong \mathbb{Q}.$$

Note that the last isomorphism holds as we are only considering degree-preserving morphisms. Furthermore, note that the 1 in the last  $\mathbb{Q}$  corresponds to the morphism that sends w to 0 and u to 1, which is exactly q from the Adams–Baird–Ravenel resolution (1).

Let us now look at the case  $t \neq 0$ :

Analogously to the previous argument,

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*E, E(1)_{*+t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{E(1)_*}(E(1)_*, E(1)_{*+t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \cong \mathbb{Q}.$$

As a module over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , this is generated by the function sending w to 0 and u to  $v_1^{s-1}$  for t = s(2p-2).

*Type (III)* Every  $E(1)_*$ -module is in particular a  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module, and so every element of (III) is in particular a  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module homomorphism from  $\mathbb{Q}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ . Thus, all terms of the form (III) are zero.

Type (IV) A morphism

$$f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q})$$

is entirely determined by  $f(1) \in E(1)_0 \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}$ , so for the degree t = 0 we have

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}.$$

For  $t \neq 0$ , a term of Type (IV) is trivial. If t is not a multiple of (2p - 2), this is already clear for degree reasons. For t = s(2p - 2),  $s \neq 0$  we have the following. A morphism

$$f: E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow E(1)_{*+t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$$

in  $\mathcal{B}$  is an  $E(1)_*$ -module homomorphism, which is compatible with Adams operations. The  $E(1)_*$ -module homomorphisms are given by

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{E(1)_*}(E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_{*+t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q},$$

which is generated over  $\mathbb{Q}$  by the map that sends 1 to  $v_1^s$ . The Adams operations are given by  $\Psi^k(v_1^i) = k^{i(p-1)}v_1^s$ , in particular  $\Psi^k(v_1^2) = k^{2(p-1)}v_1^2$ .

We also know that  $E(1)_{*+t}$  is also isomorphic in  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $T^{s(p-1)}E(1)_{*}$ , therefore,

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_{*+t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}, T^{s(p-1)}E(1)_*).$$

Therefore, by definition of T,

$$\Psi^{k}(v_{1}^{2}) = k^{s(p-1)}\Psi^{k}_{old}(v_{1}^{2}) = k^{s(p-1)}(k^{(2p-2)}v_{1}^{2}) = k^{(s+2)(p-1)}v_{1}^{2}.$$

However, this can only be equal to the previously calculated  $k^{2(p-1)}v_1^2$  if s = 0, which proves that for  $t \neq 0$ ,

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_{*+t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}) = 0.$$

Now that we have identified the forms of the terms I–IV in the endomorphism complex, let us consider the differentials. A differential from  $C^n$  to  $C^{n+1}$  is of the form  $d \circ f + (-1)^{n+1} f \circ d$ . We illustrate its individual parts in the diagram given subsequently, where a solid arrow represents a possible nontrivial  $d \circ f$  and a dashed arrow represents a possible nontrivial  $f \circ d$ . In addition, each term has been labelled with its type (I–IV).

$$(I) \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-n}, (I^{0})_{*}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-(n+1)}, (I^{0})_{*}) (I)$$

$$(I) \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-(n-1)}, (I^{1})_{*}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-n}, (I^{1})_{*}) (I)$$

$$(II) \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-(n-2)}, (I^{2})_{*}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{0})_{*-(n-1)}, (I^{2})_{*}) (II)$$

$$(I) \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{1})_{*-n}, (I^{1})_{*}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{1})_{*-(n+1)}, (I^{0})_{*}) (I)$$

$$(II) \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{1})_{*-(n-1)}, (I^{2})_{*}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{1})_{*-n}, (I^{2})_{*}) (II)$$

$$(III) \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-(n+2)}, (I^{0})_{*}) = 0$$

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-(n+3)}, (I^{0})_{*}) = 0 (III)$$

$$(III) \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-(n+1)}, (I^{1})_{*}) = 0$$

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-(n+1)}, (I^{2})_{*}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}((I^{2})_{*-(n+1)}, (I^{2})_{*}) (IV)$$

For any other values of n, the dga will be zero. Combining this information with the interpretations of Terms (I–IV), we see that the non-zero terms of the endomorphism dga look

like:



Here,  $\Psi^*$ ,  $\Psi_*$ ,  $q^*$  and  $q_*$  refer to (pre)composing with  $\Psi = (\Psi^r - 1)$  and q from the Adams-Ravenel-Baird resolution (2).

**REMARK 6.** When p = 3, degree reasons do not rule out a differential

$$C^{(2p-2)k+2} \to C^{(2p-2)k+3}.$$

However, the actual definition of the differential in terms of  $\Psi$  and q means that no nontrivial such differential exists.

**5. Reinterpretation as sequences.** We now turn to creating an explicit description of the sequence described in the previous section. As noted above, terms of Type (III) are trivial, terms of Type (II) give a single copy of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We here consider the other, not so simple terms of Type (I).

As mentioned formerly, by [15, Appendix A1],

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-n}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1)) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{E(1)_{*}}(E(1)_{*}E(1), E(1)_{*+n}).$$
(4)

Since  $E(1)_*E(1)$  is free as an  $E(1)_*$ -module [1, Theorem 2.1],

 $\operatorname{Hom}_{E(1)_*}(E(1)_*E(1), E(1)_{*+n}) \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}}(E(1)_0E(1), \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[v_1^k]), n = (2p-2)k.$ 

This dual has been considered in [6], where it is shown that

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}}(E(1)_0 E(1), \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[v_1^k]) \cong E(1)^0 E(1).$$

Furthermore, by [6, Theorem 6.2] this can be uniquely expressed as a formal series

$$E(1)^0 E(1) \cong \{ \sum_{n \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m(\Psi^r) \mid a_m \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)} \},\$$

see also [21, Proposition 18]. Here,  $\Theta_m$  is an explicit polynomial in the Adams operation  $\Psi^r$  (where *r* a generator of  $(\mathbb{Z}/p^2)^{\times}$ ) defined as follows: [6, Definition 6.1]:

$$\begin{split} \Theta_0(\Psi^r) &= 1, \\ \Theta_1(\Psi^r) &= (\Psi^r - 1), \\ \Theta_2(\Psi^r) &= (\Psi^r - 1)(\Psi^r - r), \\ \Theta_3(\Psi^r) &= (\Psi^r - 1)(\Psi^r - r)(\Psi^r - r^{-1}), \\ \Theta_4(\Psi^r) &= (\Psi^r - 1)(\Psi^r - r)(\Psi^r - r^{-1})(\Psi^r - r^2), \\ \Theta_5(\Psi^r) &= (\Psi^r - 1)(\Psi^r - r)(\Psi^r - r^{-1})(\Psi^r - r^2)(\Psi^r - r^{-2}), \\ \text{etc.} \end{split}$$

This means that we can view the elements of  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-n}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1))$  as sequences of coefficients in *p*-local integers,

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-n}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1)) \cong \{(a_{m})_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \mid a_{m} \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}\} = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}}.$$

For simplicity of notation, will denote a sequence  $(a_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  by  $\langle a_m \rangle$ .

**5.1. The formulas on sequences.** To get the differential, we need to translate the following maps over to the sequence representation:

$$\Psi^* : \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}_{(p)} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}_{(p)}$$
$$\Psi_* : \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}_{(p)} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}_{(p)}$$

and furthermore,

$$\begin{split} \Psi^* &: \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q} \\ q_* &: \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q} \\ q^* &: \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}. \end{split}$$

The map  $\Psi_*$ : We start by considering the map  $\Psi_* = (\Psi^r - 1)_*$  given by composition with the map  $\Psi^r - 1$ . Chasing through our equivalences, we have



To calculate  $(\Psi^r - 1)_*$  we can work on the  $v_1^k$  level. Note that when k = 0,  $\Psi^r$  acts as the identity, and so  $(\Psi^r - 1)_* = 0$ . For  $k \neq 0$ , we know that up to a *p*-local unit,

$$(\Psi^{r} - 1)_{*}(v_{1}^{k}) = (r^{k(p-1)} - 1)v_{1}^{k}$$
$$= p^{\nu(k)+1}v_{1}^{k}$$

Therefore, we can see that  $(\Psi^r - 1)_*$  is given by multiplication by  $p^{\nu(k)+1}$ .

**The map**  $\Psi^*$  on  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -sequences: Chasing through the effect of  $(\Psi^r - 1)^*$  is slightly more involved. Starting with the k = 0 case, we see that since the vertical isomorphisms in the last step are ring isomorphisms, the overall effect on the sequences is multiplication by  $\Theta_1(\Psi^r)$ . In all that follows, we will write  $\Theta_i$  in place of  $\Theta_i(\Psi^r)$ . Then we can calculate:

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_0 \Theta_1 &= \Theta_1 \\ \Theta_m \Theta_1 &= (\Psi^r - 1)(\Psi^r - r)(\Psi^r - r^{-1}) \cdots (\Psi^r - r^{\tilde{s}(m)})(\Psi^r - 1) \\ \Theta_{m+1} &= (\Psi^r - 1)(\Psi^r - r)(\Psi^r - r^{-1}) \cdots (\Psi^r - r^{\tilde{s}(m)})(\Psi^r - r^{\tilde{s}(m+1)}), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\tilde{s}(m) = \begin{cases} \frac{m}{2} & m \text{ even} \\ \frac{1-m}{2} & m \text{ odd} \end{cases}.$$

So then,

$$\Theta_m \Theta_1 - \Theta_{m+1} = (\Psi^r - 1)(\Psi^r - r)(\Psi^r - r^{-1})\cdots(\Psi^r - r^{\tilde{s}(m)})(r^{\tilde{s}(m+1)} - 1)$$
  
$$\Theta_m \Theta_1 = [r^{\tilde{s}(m+1)} - 1]\Theta_m + \Theta_{m+1}.$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m \Theta_1 = a_0 \Theta_1 + \sum_{m \ge 1} a_m [r^{s(m)} - 1] \Theta_m + \Theta_{m+1} \qquad = \sum_{m \ge 1} (a_m (r^{s(m)} - 1) + a_{m-1}) \Theta_m,$$

where  $s(m) = \tilde{s}(m + 1)$ . Thus, when k = 0, our formula becomes

$$\Psi^* \langle a_m \rangle = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ a_1(r^{s(1)} - 1) + a_0 \\ a_2(r^{s(2)} - 1) + a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m(r^{s(m)} - 1) + a_{m-1} \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\rangle.$$

When  $k \neq 0$ , then we have  $n \neq 0$  and thus, must determine how the map  $\Psi^r - 1$  behaves on  $E(1)_{*-n}E(1)$  instead of just  $E(1)_*E(1)$ . Due to this, we observe what happens on the level of the generators  $v_1^i$ . We first note that

$$(\Psi^r - 1)v_1^i = (r^{i(p-1)} - 1)v_1^i.$$

As mentioned above, precomposing with such a map corresponds to multiplication by  $\Theta_1$ . Thus, upon shifting to  $E(1)_{*-n}E(1)$  via multiplication by  $v_1^k$ , we see that multiplication by  $\Theta_1$  would correspond to  $\Psi^r - 1$  producing  $(r^{i(p-1)} - 1)v_1^{i+k}$  in  $E(1)_{*-n}E(1)$ . However, to truly shift to working in  $E(1)_{*-n}E(1)$ , we observe that

$$(\Psi^r - 1)v_1^{i+k} = (r^{(i+k)(p-1)} - 1)v_1^{i+k}$$

Due to this difference, precomposition with  $\Psi^r - 1$  on  $E(1)_{*-n}E(1)$  when translated to sums of  $\Theta_m$ 's must include an additional  $\Theta_0$  term. Up to a *p*-local unit, for any *i*,

$$r^{(i+k)(p-1)} - r^{i(p-1)} = p^{\nu(k)+1}$$

Hence, when  $k \neq 0$ ,  $\Psi^*$  acts by multiplication by  $\Theta_1 + p^{\nu(k)+1}\Theta_0$ . By performing a similar computation to the one above for  $\sum_{m\geq 0} a_m \Theta_m \Theta_1$ , we obtain

$$\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m(\Theta_1 + p^{\nu(k)+1}\Theta_0) = p^{\nu(k)+1} a_0 + \sum_{m \ge 1} a_m [r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1}] \Theta_m$$

and thus, when  $k \neq 0$  our formula becomes

$$\Psi^{*}\langle a_{m}\rangle = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{0} \\ a_{1}(r^{s(1)}-1+p^{\nu(k)+1})+a_{0} \\ \\ \vdots \\ a_{m}(r^{s(m)}-1+p^{\nu(k)+1})+a_{m-1} \\ \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\rangle.$$

**The map**  $\Psi^*$  on the rational terms:

Let us consider  $\Psi^* : \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ , that is, the map induced by  $\Psi$  on terms of Type (II). We recall that we have an isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*E(1), E(1)_*\otimes \mathbb{Q})\cong \mathbb{Q}$$

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and that the  $1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  on the right hand side corresponds to the map q itself. But,  $q \circ \Psi = 0$  as they are part of the resolution (1), thus, the map  $\Psi^*$  above is the zero map.

For t = s(2p - 2), the copy of the rationals

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*E(1), E(1)_{*+t} \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \cong \mathbb{Q}$$

is generated by the function that sends  $w \in E(1)_*E(1)$  to 0 and  $u \in E(1)_*E(1)$  to  $v_1^s$ . As

$$(\Psi^r - 1)v_1^s = (r^{(s)(p-1)} - 1)v_1^s,$$

precomposition with  $\Psi$  is multiplication by  $r^{(s-1)(p-1)} - 1$ , which up to *p*-local unit is a nontrivial power of *p*. (This is also consistent with the case t = 0, where this map is trivial.)

The map  $q_*$ : The map

$$q_*$$
: Hom<sub>B</sub>(E(1)<sub>\*-n</sub>E(1), E(1)<sub>\*</sub>E(1))  $\longrightarrow$  Hom<sub>B</sub>(E(1)<sub>\*-n</sub>E(1), E(1)<sub>\*</sub>  $\otimes \mathbb{Q}$ )

is the map obtained by composing with the map

$$q: E(1)_* E(1) \longrightarrow E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}$$

from the Adams–Baird–Ravenel resolution. The map q is induced by the map  $E(1) \to H\mathbb{Q}$ which, on homotopy, is a rational isomorphism in degree 0 and trivial in all other degrees. So,  $q_*$  is induced by the inclusion  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  and becomes  $q_*(\langle a_m \rangle) = a_0$ . For  $n \neq 0$ ,  $q_*$  is trivial.

The map  $q^*$ : Lastly we consider the map

 $q^*$ : Hom<sub>B</sub>( $E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}, E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \longrightarrow$  Hom<sub>B</sub>( $E(1)_*E(1), E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q}).$ 

We saw that both these terms are isomorphic to one copy of  $\mathbb{Q}$  via the isomorphism  $f \mapsto f(1)$ . So,  $q^*$  sends  $1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  to the element in  $\mathbb{Q}$  corresponding to the composite

$$E(1)_*E(1) \xrightarrow{q} E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q} \xrightarrow{1} E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q},$$

which is again q. Thus,  $q^* : \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  is simply the identity map.

6. The calculation for n = 0. In this section and the next, we are going to use our explicit representations to calculate the homology of the endomorphism dga C. Note that by our earlier remarks, we know that this should come out to  $H^*(C) = \pi_{-*}(L_1S^0)$  (the change in sign arises as the dga is cohomologically graded).

As explained at the end of Section 4, in degrees around 0 our dga looks like



Condensing it down we have



Now, we need to see what each of these maps is on sequences. Using our formulas from Section 5.1 we get

$$d^{-1}(\langle a_m \rangle) = (\Psi^* \langle a_m \rangle, \Psi_* \langle a_m \rangle, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a_1(r^{s(1)} - 1) + a_0 & 0 \\ \langle \vdots \\ a_m(r^{s(m)} - 1) + a_{m-1} \rangle, \langle \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix},$$

$$d^{0}(\langle a_{m} \rangle, \langle b_{m} \rangle, x) = (\Psi_{*} \langle a_{m} \rangle - \Psi^{*} \langle b_{m} \rangle, q_{*} \langle b_{m} \rangle - q^{*}(x))$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -b_{1}(r^{s(1)} - 1) - b_{0} \\ \langle \vdots \\ -b_{m}(r^{s(m)} - 1) - b_{m-1} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, b_{0} - x \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix},$$

$$d^{1}(\langle a_{m}\rangle, y) = q_{*}\langle a_{m}\rangle + \Psi^{*}(y) = a_{0}.$$

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*Proof.* It is easy to see that  $(d^0 \circ d^{-1})(a_m) = d^0(\Psi^*(a_m), 0, 0) = 0$  and

$$(d^{1} \circ d^{0})(\langle a_{m} \rangle, \langle b_{m} \rangle, x) = d^{1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -b_{1}(r^{s(1)} - 1) - b_{0} \\ -b_{2}(r^{s(2)} - 1) - b_{1} \\ \vdots \\ -b_{m}(r^{s(m)} - 1) - b_{m-1} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$
  
= 0.

THEOREM 8. Near n = 0:

$$H^{n}(C) = \begin{cases} 0 & if \ n = -1, \\ \mathbb{Z}_{(p)} & if \ n = 0 \\ 0 & if \ n = 1, \\ \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}_{(p)} & if \ n = 2 \end{cases} . * * *$$

*Proof.* n = -1: Suppose that  $\langle a_m \rangle \in \ker(d^{-1})$ . Then, we know that

$$a_m(r^{s(m)}-1) + a_{m-1} = 0$$
 for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We will show that  $a_m = 0$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . For any given m, choose  $\ell > m$ , such that  $p(p-1)|s(\ell)$ . Then,  $r^{s(\ell)} = 1$ , and so we know that  $a_{\ell-1} = 0$ . Then, since for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ 

$$a_i(r^{s(j)}-1) = -a_{i-1},$$

we see that if  $a_j = 0$ , then  $a_{j-1} = 0$  also. So by induction,  $a_m = 0$  also. So,  $d^{-1}$  is injective and  $H^{-1}(C) = 0$ .

sn = 0: Suppose that  $(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle, x) \in \ker d^0$ . Then, we know that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -b_1(r^{s(1)}-1)-b_0 \\ \langle \vdots \\ -b_m(r^{s(m)}-1)-b_{m-1} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \end{pmatrix}, b_0-x = 0.$$

Therefore,  $b_0 = x$  and  $b_m = 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$  by the same argument used for n = -1. Then,  $(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle, x) = (\langle a_m \rangle, 0)$ 

We claim that

$$\operatorname{Im} d^{-1} = \{ d^{-1} \langle c_m \rangle : \langle c_m \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}} \}$$
  
=  $\{ (\Psi^* \langle c_m \rangle, \langle 0 \rangle, 0) : \langle c_m \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}} \}$   
=  $\{ (\langle a_m \rangle, \langle 0 \rangle, 0) : \langle a_m \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}}, a_0 = 0 \}.$  (5)

It is clear that any element in the image must have  $a_0 = 0$ . Conversely, given  $\langle a_m \rangle$  with  $a_0 = 0$ , we can produce  $\langle c_m \rangle$ , such that  $d^{-1}(\langle c_m \rangle) = (\langle a_m \rangle, \langle 0 \rangle, 0)$ . We produce  $c_m$  as follows: for any m, we choose the smallest  $\ell > m$ , such that  $(p - 1)p|s(\ell)$ . Then, we need to choose  $c_{\ell-1}$  satisfying

 $c_{\ell-1} = a_{\ell}$ . Then, we work our way down, observing that if we have chosen  $c_j$ , we can then find  $c_{j-1}$  to satisfy

$$c_i(r^{s(i)}-1)+c_{i-1}=a_{i-1}$$

Inductively, we can get a value for  $c_m$ .

So, we can find  $\langle c_m \rangle$  such that  $c_m = a_m(r^{s(m)} - 1) + a_{m-1}$  and hence,  $d^{-1}(\langle c_m \rangle) = (\langle a_m \rangle, \langle 0 \rangle, 0)$ . Thus, we see that ker  $d^0 / \operatorname{Im} d^{-1} = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  as represented by the value of  $a_0$  in  $(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle 0 \rangle, 0)$ .

n = 1: Note that ker  $d^1 = (\langle a_m \rangle, y)$ , such that  $a_0 = 0$ . We can see in our claim above, given in equations (5), that there exists  $\langle b_m \rangle = \langle -c_m \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that

$$\langle a_m \rangle = \Psi^*(\langle c_m \rangle) = -\Psi^*(\langle b_m \rangle).$$

Then,

$$d^{0}(\langle 0 \rangle, \langle b_{m} \rangle, b_{0} - y) = (\langle a_{m} \rangle, y).$$

As ker  $d^1 = \operatorname{Im} d^0$ , we get  $H^1(C) = 0$ .

n = 2: Finally, we know that ker  $d^2 = \mathbb{Q}$ . Clearly, Im  $d^1 = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ . So,

$$H^2(C) = \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$$

7. The homology calculation for  $n \neq 0$ . Looking back on our description of the endomorphism dga at the end of Section 4, we see that in terms of our sequence representations, we have

 $C^{(2p-2)k-1} \longrightarrow C^{(2p-2)k} \longrightarrow C^{(2p-2)k+1} \longrightarrow C^{(2p-2)k+2}$ 



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Condensing down our earlier diagram, we are looking at



where

$$d^{(2p-2)k-1}(\langle a_m \rangle) = (\Psi^* \langle a_m \rangle, \Psi_* \langle a_m \rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0 & p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0 \\ a_1(r^{\nu(1)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1}) + a_0 & p^{\nu(k)+1}a_1 \\ \langle \vdots \\ a_m(r^{\nu(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1}) + a_{m-1} \rangle, \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d^{(2p-2)k}(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle) = (\Psi_* \langle a_m \rangle - \Psi^* \langle b_m \rangle, 0)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0 - p^{\nu(k)+1}b_0 \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_1 - b_1(r^{s(1)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1}) - b_0 \\ \vdots \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m - b_m(r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1}) - b_{m-1} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, 0$$

and

$$d^{(2p-2)k+1}(\langle a_m \rangle, b) = p^{\nu(k)+1}b).$$

We start by verifying the following:

LEMMA 9. The sequence of modules and maps described in (6) is a cochain complex.

*Proof.* We show that  $d^{(2p-2)k}(d^{(2p-2)k-1}\langle a_m \rangle) = 0$  for any sequence  $\langle a_m \rangle$ , where  $a_m \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ :

$$\Psi_{*}(\Psi^{*}\langle a_{m}\rangle) = \Psi_{*}\begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{0} \\ a_{1}(r^{s(1)}-1+p^{\nu(k)+1})+a_{0} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m}(r^{s(m)}-1+p^{\nu(k)+1})+a_{m-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ \vdots \\ p^{2\nu(k)+1}a_{0} \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{1}(r^{s(1)}-1+p^{\nu(k)+1})+p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{0} \\ \vdots \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{m}(r^{s(m)}-1+p^{\nu(k)+1})+p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{m-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ \vdots$$

$$= \Psi^* \begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu(k)+a_0} \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_1 \\ \vdots \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m \end{pmatrix} = \Psi^*(\Psi_*\langle a_m \rangle).$$

Then,

$$d^{(2p-2)k}(d^{(2p-2)k-1}\langle a_m\rangle) = \Psi_*(\Psi^*\langle a_m\rangle) - \Psi^*(\Psi_*\langle a_m\rangle) = 0.$$

Also,

$$d^{(2p-2)k+1} \circ d^{(2p-2)k}(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle) = d^{(2p-2)k+1}(p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0 - p^{\nu(k)+1}b_0, 0) = 0$$

as required.

It had been immediately clear that the isomorphism  $\Psi^* = p^{\nu(k)+1} : \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  does not contribute anything to the chain complex, so we will omit it from here onwards.

Before verifying that the cohomology is as expected, we examine the kernel of  $d^{(2p-2)k}$  more closely.

LEMMA 10. For all 
$$(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle) \in \ker d^{(2p-2)k}$$
,  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_m$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Proof.* If  $(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle)$  is in the kernel, we know that

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0 = p^{\nu(k)+1}b_0$$

and

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m = (r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_m + b_{m-1}$$
 for all  $m \ge 1$ 

Since  $r \in (\mathbb{Z}/p^2)^{\times}$ , we know  $r^{s(m)} - 1 = 0$  whenever s(m) is a multiple of p(p-1). Now, fix  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and we will show that  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_m$ . Let  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\ell > m$ , such that  $r^{s(\ell)} - 1 = 0$ . Then,

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{\ell} = p^{\nu(k)+1}b_{\ell} + b_{\ell-1}$$

and thus,  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_{\ell-1}$ . Then, since

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_q = (r^{s(q)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_q + b_{q-1},$$

it is clear that if  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_q$  then also  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_{q-1}$  for any  $q \ge 1$ . Thus, since  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_\ell$  and  $\ell > m$ ,  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_m$  by induction.

THEOREM 11. When  $k \neq 0$ ,

$$H^{n}(C) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/p^{\nu(k)+1} & \text{if } n = (2p-2)k+1. \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* From the complex, it is immediate that  $H^t(C) = 0$  for all t that are not congruent to -1, 0 or 1 modulo 2p - 2.

n = (2p - 2)k - 1: Suppose  $\langle a_m \rangle$  is in ker  $d^{(2p-2)k-1}$ . Then,  $p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m = 0$  for all  $m \ge 0$ , and so  $a_m = 0$  for all  $m \ge 0$ . Thus, ker  $d^{(2p-2)k-1} = 0$  and so  $H^{(2p-2)k-1}(C) = 0$ .

n = (2p - 2)k: Let  $(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle) \in \ker d^{(2p-2)k}$ . This means

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0 = p^{\nu(k)+1}b_0$$
, so  $a_0 = b_0$ ,

and

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m = (r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_m + b_{m-1}$$
 for all  $m \ge 1$ 

By Lemma 10 we know  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|b_m$  for all *m*, and so we may write

$$b_m = p^{\nu(k)+1} c_m$$
 for some  $c_m \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ .

Thus,  $a_0 = b_0 = p^{\nu(k)+1}c_0$ , and for  $m \ge 1$  we may write

$$a_m = (r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})c_m + c_{m-1}.$$

Thus, we see that all elements of the kernel are of the form

$$d^{(2p-2)k-1}(\langle c_m \rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu(k)+1}c_0 & p^{\nu(k)+1}c_0 \\ (r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})c_1 + c_0 & p^{\nu(k)+1}c_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, ker  $d^{(2p-2)k} = \operatorname{Im} d^{(2p-2)k-1}$  and  $H^{(2p-2)k}(C) = 0$ .

n = (2p - 2)k + 1: For any  $(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , we have

$$d^{(2p-2)k}(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle) = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} p^{\nu(k)+1}(a_0 - b_0) \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_1 - (r^{s(1)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_1 - b_0 \\ \vdots \\ p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m - (r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_m - b_{m-1} \end{array} \right\rangle.$$

So, if  $\langle c_m \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}}$  is in  $\operatorname{Im} d^{(2p-2)k}$ , then  $c_0$  is clearly divisible by  $p^{\nu(k)+1}$ . We will show that the converse is also true: if  $p^{\nu(k)+1}|c_0$ , then there exist sequences  $\langle a_m \rangle$ ,  $\langle b_m \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , such that

$$d^{(2p-2)k}(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle) = \langle c_m \rangle$$

Given any  $b_0$ , we may always select  $a_0$ , so that  $p^{\nu(k)+1}(a_0 - b_0) = c_0$ . We will show that we can find  $a_m, b_m$ , and  $b_{m-1}$  so that

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_m - (r^{s(m)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_m - b_{m-1} = c_m$$

compatibly for all  $m \ge 1$ . As in the proof of Lemma 10, for any fixed  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we may choose the smallest value  $\ell > m$ , such that  $r^{s(\ell)} - 1 = 0$ . Then, if we take  $a_{\ell} = b_{\ell}$  and  $b_{\ell-1} = -c_{\ell}$ , we have

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{\ell} - (r^{s(\ell)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_{\ell} - b_{\ell-1} = c_{\ell}.$$

Now suppose we have defined  $a_q$ ,  $b_q$ , and  $b_{q-1}$ , so that

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_q - (r^{s(q)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_q - b_{q-1} = c_q.$$

If we then let  $a_{q-1} = b_{q-1}$  and  $b_{q-2} = (r^{s(q-1)} - 1)b_{q-1} - c_{q-1}$  we will obtain

$$p^{\nu(k)+1}a_{q-1} - (r^{s(q-1)} - 1 + p^{\nu(k)+1})b_{q-1} - b_{q-2} = c_{q-1}$$

Again, inducting downwards from  $\ell$  shows that we can find values for  $a_m$ ,  $b_m$  for any m such that  $d^{(2p-2)k}(\langle a_m \rangle, \langle b_m \rangle) = \langle c_m \rangle.$ 

8. Products and Massey products. In this section we discuss the multiplicative structure of *C*, showing that it induces an injective multiplication  $H^{-(2p-2)k+1}(C) \otimes H^{(2p-2)k+1}(C) \rightarrow H^2(C)$  and that *C* has the appropriate Massey products.

8.1. Products. In this section we will prove the following:

PROPOSITION 12. The multiplication  $C^{-(2p-2)k+1} \otimes C^{(2p-2)k+1} \rightarrow C^2$  induces multiplication  $H^{-(2p-2)k+1}(C) \otimes H^{(2p-2)k+1}(C) \rightarrow H^2(C)$  given by

$$\mathbb{Z}/p^{\nu(k)+1} \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p^{\nu(k)+1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$$
$$a \otimes b \longmapsto \frac{a}{p^{\nu(k)+1}} \frac{b}{p^{\nu(k)+1}}$$

This will immediately give the following:

COROLLARY 13. The multiplication  $H^{-(2p-2)k+1}(C) \otimes H^{(2p-2)k+1}(C) \rightarrow H^2(C)$  is injective.

In order to prove Proposition 12, we examine the multiplication on  $C^*$ . The multiplication  $C^{-(2p-2)k+1} \otimes C^{(2p-2)k+1} \rightarrow C^2$  is of the form

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-n}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1)) \otimes \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*+n}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1))$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*}E(1), E(1)_{*} \otimes \mathbb{Q})$$

given by the composition of morphisms in  $\mathcal{B}$ .

To obtain the product in  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_*E(1), E(1)_* \otimes \mathbb{Q})$ , we compose with *q*. We translate this into a product on our sequence representations.

LEMMA 14. For sequences  $\langle a_m \rangle$  and  $\langle b_m \rangle$  representing  $\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m$  and  $\sum_{n \ge 0} b_n \Theta_n$  in  $E(1)^t E(1)$  and  $E(1)^s E(1)$ , respectively, where t = (2p - 2)k and  $s = (2p - 2)\ell$ ,

$$\sum_{m\geq 0} a_m \Theta_m \cdot \sum_{n\geq 0} b_n \Theta_n = \sum_{m+n=i} a_m b_n \Theta_m \Theta_n p^{N(i+k,m)-N(i,m)+N(i+\ell,n)-N(i,m)},$$

where N(i, k) are integers that depend on i and k.

*Proof.* Recall that when n = (2p - 2)k, we obtain the sequences using the equivalence

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(E(1)_{*-n}E(1), E(1)_{*}E(1)) \cong E(1)^{n}E(1) = E(1)^{0}E(1) \cdot v_{1}^{k}$$

So, we consider

$$\begin{array}{c|c} E(1)^{t}E(1) \otimes E(1)^{s}E(1) & \longrightarrow & E(1)^{s+t}E(1) \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ E(1)^{0}E(1) \cdot v_{1}^{k} \otimes E(1)^{0}E(1) \cdot v_{1}^{\ell} & \longrightarrow & E(1)^{0}E(1) \cdot v_{1}^{k+\ell} \end{array}$$

for the product of elements from  $C^t$  and  $C^s$  where t = (2p - 2)k and  $s = (2p - 2)\ell$ . Since  $E(1)^0 E(1) = \{\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m\}$ , where  $\Theta_m = \Theta_m (\Psi^r - 1)$ , we need to understand how  $\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m$  acts on  $v_1^i$ .

If t = 0, then

$$\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m \cdot v_1^i = \sum_{m \ge 0} a_m (r^{i(p-1)} - 1) (r^{i(p-1)} - r) \cdots (r^{i(p-1)} - r^{s(m)}) v_1^i$$
$$= \sum_{m \ge 0} a_m p^{N(i,m)} v_1^i,$$

where N(i, m) is some integer depending on *i* and *m*. If t = (2p - 2)k for  $k \neq 0$ ,

$$\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m \cdot v_1^i = (\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m \Theta_m \cdot v_1^{i+k}) v_1^{-k}$$
  
= 
$$\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m (r^{i(p-1)} - 1) (r^{i(p-1)} - r) \cdots (r^{i(p-1)} - r^{s(m)}) v_1^i$$
  
= 
$$\sum_{m \ge 0} a_m p^{N(i+k,m)} v_1^i.$$

Applying this to the sum yields the product described in the lemma.

COROLLARY 15. The index zero term in the sequence  $\langle a_m \rangle \cdot \langle b_n \rangle$  is  $a_0 b_0$ .

*Proof.* From the definition we see that N(i, 0) = 0 for any *i*, since  $v_1^0 = 1$ . Since the only way for  $\Theta_m \Theta_n = \Theta_0$  is to have m = n = 0, this proves the claim.

*Proof of Proposition 12.* We saw in the homology computation of Theorems 8 and 11 that the homology in  $H^{(2p-2)k+1}(C)$  and  $H^2(C)$  is represented by the value of the index zero term in the sequences. Thus, to compute a product

$$H^{-(2p-2)k+1}(C) \otimes H^{(2p-2)k+1}(C) \to H^2(C)$$

we need only consider the multiplication

$$C^{-(2p-2)k+1} \otimes C^{(2p-2)k+1} \to C^2$$

on the index zero terms of sequences. By Corollary 15, if  $\langle a_n \rangle \cdot \langle b_n \rangle = \langle c_n \rangle$  then  $c_0 = a_0 b_0$ . Therefore, if we pick any

$$a \in H^{-(2p-2)k+1}(C) = \mathbb{Z}/p^{\nu(k)+1}$$
 and  $b \in H^{(2p-2)k+1}(C) = \mathbb{Z}/p^{\nu(k)+1}$ ,

we know multiplying them will yield the product in the quotient in  $H^2(C) = \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ . Explicitly, we first consider *a* and *b* as  $\frac{a}{p^{\nu(k)+1}} \in \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  and  $\frac{b}{p^{\nu(k)+1}} \in \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ , respectively, in  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  and then multiply these representatives together.

**8.2. Massey products.** Here, we calculate the Massey products.

**PROPOSITION 16.** Suppose that  $\gamma_k$  denotes an element of the cohomology

$$H^{(2p-2)k+1}(C) \cong \mathbb{Z}/p^{\nu(k)+1}$$

such that  $p\gamma_k = 0$ . Then, the  $\gamma_k$ 's satisfy the following Massey product relation:

$$\langle \gamma_i, p, \gamma_j \rangle = \gamma_{i+j}$$

and the indeterminacy of this product is zero.

*Proof.* We will compute the product directly using the definition of Massey product. The cohomology class  $\gamma_k$  must be a multiple of  $p^{\nu(k)}$ , and we can represent it by the cycle

$$a = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0\\ 0\\ \vdots \end{array} \right\rangle,$$

where  $a_0$  is some value such that  $v(a_0) = 0$ . Choosing the analogous representative for  $\gamma_j$  gives the following cycles, *a*, *b*, and *c*, representing  $\gamma_i$ , *p*, and  $\gamma_j$ , respectively:

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu(k)+1}a_0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \qquad b = p \qquad c = \begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu(k)+1}c_0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\nu(a_0) = \nu(c_0) = 0$ . Now, we choose

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} -c_0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

where |u| = (2p - 2)i and |v| = (2p - 2)j. We can compute

$$d^{(2p-2)i}(u) = \begin{pmatrix} p^{\nu^{(i)+1}a_0} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = pa = (-1)^{1+|a|}a \cdot b$$

and

$$d^{(2p-2)j}(v) = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} -p^{v(j)+1}c_0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\rangle = -pc = (-1)^{1+|b|}b \cdot c.$$

Therefore, the Massey product  $\langle \gamma_i, p, \gamma_i \rangle$  can be computed as  $[(-1)^{1+|u|}u \cdot c + (-1)^{1+|a|}a \cdot v]$ . This gives us

which yields

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2a_0c_0(p^{\nu(i)} + p^{\nu(j)}) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

by our description of the multiplication in Section 8.1.

Now we can rewrite  $p^{\nu(i)} + p^{\nu(j)}$  as

$$p^{\nu(i)} + p^{\nu(j)} = p^{\min(\nu(i),\nu(j))} (1 + p^{\max(\nu(i),\nu(j))} - \min(\nu(i),\nu(j))}).$$

If  $i \neq j$  then  $\nu(i+j) = \min(\nu(i), \nu(j))$  so  $p^{\nu(i+\nu(j))} = p^{\nu(i+j)}m$ , where  $\nu(m) = 0$ . If i = j then  $\nu(i + j) = 0$ . j = v(2i) = v(2) + v(i) = v(i). Thus, in this case  $p^{v(i)+v(j)} = 2p^{v(i)} = 2p^{v(i+j)}$ . Thus,

$$(-1)^{1+|u|}u \cdot c + (-1)^{1+|a|}a \cdot v = \begin{pmatrix} -2a_0c_0m(p^{\nu(i+j)})\\ 0\\ 0\\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

where m is some value such that v(m) = 0. Thus, we also have  $v(2a_0c_0m) = 0$  so this is an element of  $H^{(2p-2)(i+j)+1}(C)$  of order *p* which represents  $\gamma_{i+j}$ .

Finally, we note that the indeterminacy of the product is

$$\gamma_i H^{(2p-2)j}(C) \oplus \gamma_j H^{(2p-2)i}(C),$$

which is zero because the cohomology in each of those degrees is zero.

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