

A NOTE ON HOPKINS' PICARD GROUPS OF THE STABLE HOMOTOPY CATEGORIES OF L_n -LOCAL SPECTRA

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ABSTRACT. For a stable homotopy category [6], M. Hopkins introduced a Picard group (cf. [11], [4]) as a category consisting of isomorphism classes of invertible objects. For the stable homotopy category of L_n -local spectra, M. Hovey and H. Sadofsky [7] showed that the Picard group is actually a group containing the group of integers as a direct summand. We constructed an injection in [8] from the other summand of the Picard group to the direct sum of the E_r -terms $E_r^{r, r-1}$ over $r \geq 2$ of the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence converging to the homotopy groups of the L_n -localized sphere spectrum. In this paper, we show in a classical way that the injection is a bijection under a condition.

1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper we fix a prime p . Let $\mathcal{S}_{(p)}$ denote the stable homotopy category consisting of all p -local spectra. For a spectrum E , a spectrum $X \in \mathcal{S}_{(p)}$ is E -local if $[C, X]_* = 0$ for C with $E \wedge C = pt$. We denote by \mathcal{L}_E the full subcategory of E -local spectra, and have the Bousfield localization functor $L_E: \mathcal{S}_{(p)} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_E$ with respect to E . A spectrum $Q \in \mathcal{L}_E$ is *invertible* in \mathcal{L}_E if there is a spectrum $Q' \in \mathcal{L}_E$ such that $L_E(Q \wedge Q') = L_E S^0$ for the sphere spectrum S^0 . M. Hopkins introduced the Picard group $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_E)$ of \mathcal{L}_E consisting of isomorphism classes of invertible spectra (cf. [11], [4]). Hereafter, we abuse notation and an invertible spectrum Q denotes a class of $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_E)$ represented by Q .

Let $BP \in \mathcal{S}_{(p)}$ denote the Brown-Peterson spectrum whose homotopy groups are $BP_* = \pi_*(BP) = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[v_1, v_2, \dots]$ over generators with degree $|v_i| = 2p^i - 2$. In this paper, we consider the spectrum $E = v_n^{-1}BP$ for a fixed integer $n \geq 1$, and denote by \mathcal{L}_n and L_n traditionally the category \mathcal{L}_E and the functor L_E , respectively. The category and the functor are the same as $\mathcal{L}_{E(n)}$ and $L_{E(n)}$ for the n -th Johnson-Wilson spectrum $E(n)$ (cf. [9]), whose homotopy groups are $E(n)_* = \pi_*(E(n)) = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v_n^{-1}] \subset v_n^{-1}BP_*$.

We have some results on the Picard group $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_n)$. Hereafter, we set

$$q = 2p - 2.$$

Theorem 1.1 ([7, Prop. 1.4, Lemma 1.5, Th. 5.4, Th. 6.1]). *$\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_n)$ is a group with multiplication defined by the smash product and $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_n) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)$ for a subgroup $\text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)$. In particular, $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_n) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ if $q > n^2 + n$ and $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2$ if $p = 2$.*

Theorem 1.2 ([3]). *$\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_2) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3$ if $p = 3$.*

Theorem 1.3 ([7, Th. 2.4]). *If $Q \in \text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)$, then $E(n)_*(Q) \cong E(n)_*$ as an $E(n)_*(E(n))$ -comodule.*

Consider the $v_n^{-1}BP$ -based Adams spectral sequence $\{E_r^{s,t}(X), d_r\}$ for a spectrum X converging to homotopy groups $\pi_*(L_n X)$. We notice that the E_2 -term $E_2^{s,t}(Q)$ for $Q \in \text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)$ is isomorphic to $\text{Ext}_{E(n)_*(E(n))}^{s,t}(E(n)_*, E(n)_*)$ by Theorem 1.3 and [8, Th. 3.3] (see Theorem 2.2). Thus, we see that $E_2^{s,t}(Q) \cong E_2^{s,t}(S^0)$ for an invertible spectrum Q of $\text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)$. Let $\text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)_k$ be a subgroup consisting of invertible spectra Q of $\text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)$ such that $d_s(1_Q) = 0 \in E_s^{s,s-1}(Q)$ for $s < kq+1$, where $1_Q \in E_2^{0,0}(Q) \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ denotes the generator. Put

$$GPic^0(\mathcal{L}_n) = \bigoplus_{k>0} (\text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)_k / \text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)_{k+1}).$$

Then, in [8], we set up a homomorphism

$$(1.4) \quad \varphi: GPic^0(\mathcal{L}_n) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{k>0} E_{kq+1}^{kq+1, kq}(S^0)$$

sending $[Q] \neq 0 (= [L_n S^0])$ to an element $w \neq 0 \in E_{kq+1}^{kq+1, kq}(S^0)$ such that $d_{kq+1}(1_Q) = w1_Q \in E_{kq+1}^{kq+1, kq}(Q)$.

Theorem 1.5 ([8, Th. 2]). *The homomorphism φ is a monomorphism.*

For a small n , the E_2 -term has a horizontal vanishing line:

Lemma 1.6 (cf. [9, (10.10)]). *Suppose $n < p - 1$. Then, $E_2^{s,t}(S^0) = 0$ for $s > n^2 + n$.*

By Theorem 1.5 and Lemma 1.6, we deduce that the second isomorphism in Theorem 1.1 holds in the case where $q = n^2 + n$ unless $(p, n) = (2, 1)$:

Corollary 1.7. *Suppose that $p > 2$ or $n > 1$. Then, $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{L}_n) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ if $q \geq n^2 + n$.*

In this paper, we show the following:

Theorem 1.8. *Suppose that there is an integer r_0 such that $E_2^{r_0q+2, r_0q}(S^0) = 0$ for $r > r_0$. Then, for $\omega \in E_{r_0q+1}^{r_0q+1, r_0q}(S^0)$, we have an invertible spectrum X_ω such that $\varphi([X_\omega]) = \omega$.*

Corollary 1.9. *Suppose that $n < p - 1$ and let r_0 be the maximal integer less than $(n^2 + n)/q$. Then, the composite $GPic^0(\mathcal{L}_n) \xrightarrow{\varphi} \bigoplus_{k>0} E_{kq+1}^{kq+1, kq}(S^0) \rightarrow E_{r_0q+1}^{r_0q+1, r_0q}(S^0)$ is an epimorphism.*

Corollary 1.10. *For n and r_0 in Corollary 1.9, if $E_{r_0q+1}^{r_0q+1, r_0q}(S^0) \neq 0$, then \mathcal{L}_n admits an exotic invertible spectrum, or an invertible spectrum other than $L_n S^k$.*

Corollary 1.11. *If $n < p - 1$ and $n^2 + n \leq 2q$, then $\text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n)$ is isomorphic to $E_2^{q+1, q}(S^0) \cong \text{Ext}_{E(n)_*(E(n))}^{q+1, q}(E(n)_*, E(n)_*)$.*

In the corollary, if the condition $n^2 + n \leq q$ holds, then it is Corollary 1.7. If $q+1 \leq n^2 + n$, then the isomorphism $\text{Pic}^0(\mathcal{L}_n) \cong E_2^{q+1, q}(S^0)$ holds in the following cases:

p	5	7	11	13	17	19
n	3	4	5	6	7	8

For the case where $p = 23$ and $n = 9$, we have $n^2 + n = 90 > 89 = 2q + 1$. We note that we have the isomorphism for the cases $(p, n) = (2, 1)$ and $(3, 2)$ by Theorems 1.1 and 1.2, though $n = p - 1$. We have a conjecture that $E_2^{s,t}(S^0) = 0$ for $s > n^2$

if $n < p - 1$. If this is true, then the table extends up to $p = 29$ and $n = 10$ after replacing the condition by $q + 1 \leq n^2 < 2q + 1$.

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2. RECOLLECTION FROM [8]

Let E denote $v_n^{-1}BP$. We recollect some facts from [8, §3-4]: The spectrum E yields a Hopf algebroid $(E_*, E_*(E))$ in a usual way. Here,

$$\begin{aligned} E_*(E) &= E_* \otimes_{BP_*} BP_*(BP) \otimes_{BP_*} E_* \quad \text{and} \\ E(n)_*(X) &= E(n)_* \otimes_{BP_*} BP_*(X) = E(n)_* \otimes_{E_*} E_*(X) \end{aligned}$$

for a spectrum X , where $E_* = v_n^{-1}BP_*$ and $E_*(E)$ is flat over E_* .

An invertible spectrum Q is characterized by its E_* -homology:

Theorem 2.1 ([8, Prop. 3.2] (*cf.* [8, Th. 1.1], [7, Th. 2.4])). *A spectrum $Q \in \mathcal{L}_n$ is invertible if and only if there is an isomorphism $E_*(Q) \cong E_*$ of $E_*(E)$ -comodules.*

We have a relation between the E_2 -terms of the E -based and the $E(n)$ -based Adams spectral sequences:

Theorem 2.2 ([8, Th. 3.3]).

$$\text{Ext}_{E_*(E)}^{*,*}(E_*, M) \cong \text{Ext}_{E(n)_*(E(n))}^{*,*}(E(n)_*, E(n)_* \otimes_{E_*} M)$$

for an $E_*(E)$ -comodule M , on which v_n acts isomorphically.

The unit map $i: S^0 \rightarrow E$ yields a cofiber sequence

$$(2.3) \quad S^0 \xrightarrow{i} E \xrightarrow{j} \bar{E} \xrightarrow{k} S^1,$$

which gives rise to the E -based Adams tower

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} S^0 & \xleftarrow{\quad k \quad} & \bar{E} & \xleftarrow{\quad k \wedge 1 \quad} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{\quad k \wedge 1 \quad} & \bar{E}^m & \xleftarrow{\quad k \wedge 1 \quad} & \bar{E}^{m+1} & \xleftarrow{\quad k \wedge 1 \quad} & \cdots \\ i \downarrow & \nearrow j & \downarrow i \wedge 1 & \nearrow j \wedge 1 & & \nearrow j \wedge 1 & \downarrow i \wedge 1 & \nearrow j \wedge 1 & \downarrow i \wedge 1 & & \\ E & \xrightarrow{\quad d^0 \quad} & E \wedge \bar{E} & \xrightarrow{\quad d^1 \quad} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\quad d^{m-1} \quad} & E \wedge \bar{E}^m & \xrightarrow{\quad d^m \quad} & E \wedge \bar{E}^{m+1} & \xrightarrow{\quad d^{m+1} \quad} & \cdots \end{array}$$

in which dotted arrows denote degree -1 maps, \bar{E}^m denotes the m -fold smash product of \bar{E} and $d^m = (i \wedge \bar{E}^{m+1})(j \wedge \bar{E}^m) = d^0 \wedge \bar{E}^m$. Hereafter, we denote $f \wedge W: X \wedge W \rightarrow Y \wedge W$ for a map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by $X \wedge W \xrightarrow{f \wedge 1} Y \wedge W$ in diagrams. Let $k^m: \bar{E}^m \rightarrow S^m$ denote the composite $k(k \wedge \bar{E}) \cdots (k \wedge \bar{E}^{m-1})$ of the above sequence. We have a spectrum \bar{E}_m and maps i_m and j_m fitting in a cofiber sequence

$$(2.5) \quad \bar{E}^m \xrightarrow{k^m} S^m \xrightarrow{i_m} \Sigma \bar{E}_m \xrightarrow{j_m} \Sigma \bar{E}^m.$$

Throughout the paper, we omit suspensions for maps of spectra. So the maps i_m and j_m in (2.5) denote Σi_m and Σj_m for $i_m: S^{m-1} \rightarrow \bar{E}_m$ and $j_m: \bar{E}_m \rightarrow \bar{E}^m$, respectively. In particular, we see that

$$(2.6) \quad i_1 = i: S^0 \rightarrow \bar{E}_1 = E.$$

Indeed, the cofiber sequence (2.5) for $m = 1$ agrees with the one (2.3) (up to suspension), and so we identify \bar{E}_1 with E .

The cofiber sequence (2.5) gives rise to another E -based Adams tower

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} \bar{E}_0 = pt & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \bar{E}_1 & \xleftarrow{k_1^S} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{k_{m-1}^S} & \bar{E}_m & \xleftarrow{k_m^S} & \bar{E}_{m+1} & \xleftarrow{k_{m+2}^S} & \cdots \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & & \\ E & \xrightarrow{d^0} & E \wedge \bar{E} & \xrightarrow{d^1} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{d^{m-1}} & E \wedge \bar{E}^m & \xrightarrow{d^m} & E \wedge \bar{E}^{m+1} & \xrightarrow{d^{m+1}} & \cdots \end{array}$$

with the same d^m 's as (2.4). Here, the maps i_m^S , j_m^S and k_m^S are defined by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} S^m & \xlongequal{\quad} & S^m & \longrightarrow & * & \longrightarrow & S^{m+1} \\ i_{m+1} \downarrow & & \downarrow i_m & & \downarrow & & \downarrow i_{m+1} \\ \bar{E}_{m+1} & \xrightarrow{k_m^S} & \Sigma \bar{E}_m & \xrightarrow{i_m^S} & \Sigma E \wedge \bar{E}^m & \xrightarrow{j_m^S} & \Sigma \bar{E}_{m+1} \\ j_{m+1} \downarrow & & \downarrow j_m & & \parallel & & \downarrow j_{m+1} \\ \bar{E}^{m+1} & \xrightarrow{k \wedge 1} & \Sigma \bar{E}^m & \xrightarrow{i \wedge 1} & \Sigma E \wedge \bar{E}^m & \xrightarrow{j \wedge 1} & \Sigma \bar{E}^{m+1} \end{array}$$

of cofiber sequences, which is obtained from Verdier's axiom. Note that these maps satisfy

$$(2.8) \quad i_m^S = (i \wedge 1)j_m, \quad i_m^S i_m = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad k_m^S i_{m+1} = i_m.$$

A smash product of the tower (2.7) and a spectrum X defines the E -based Adams spectral sequence

$$E_2^{s,t}(X) = \text{Ext}_{E_*(E)}^{s,t}(E_*, E_*(X)) \implies \pi_{t-s}(\text{holim}_m(\Sigma^{1-m} \bar{E}_m \wedge X)).$$

Note that $\text{holim}_m(\Sigma^{1-m} \bar{E}_m \wedge X) = L_n X$. We consider a similar tower

$$(2.9) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} Q_0 = pt & \xleftarrow{\quad} & Q_1 & \xleftarrow{k_1^Q} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{k_{m-1}^Q} & Q_m & \xleftarrow{k_m^Q} & Q_{m+1} & \xleftarrow{k_{m+2}^Q} & \cdots \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & & \\ E & \xrightarrow{d^0} & E \wedge \bar{E} & \xrightarrow{d^1} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{d^{m-1}} & E \wedge \bar{E}^m & \xrightarrow{d^m} & E \wedge \bar{E}^{m+1} & \xrightarrow{d^{m+1}} & \cdots \end{array}$$

over the same bottom sequence as (2.7). Put

$$(2.10) \quad Q = \text{holim}_{k_m^Q} \Sigma^{1-m} Q_m.$$

Then, we have a spectral sequence

$$(2.11) \quad E_2^{s,t} = \text{Ext}_{E_*(E)}^{s,t}(E_*, E_*) \implies \pi_{t-s}(Q)$$

obtained by applying homotopy groups $\pi_*(-)$ to (2.9), and see the following lemma by [2, Prop. 1.9].

Lemma 2.12. *The spectral sequence (2.11) is isomorphic to the E -based Adams spectral sequence for computing $\pi_*(Q)$ via an isomorphism which is the identity on the E_2 -term.*

Proof. By the same argument as [2, Prop. 1.9], we verify that the spectral sequence (2.11) is isomorphic to the modified E -based Adams spectral sequence for computing $\pi_*(Q)$. Now the lemma follows from [2, Prop. 1.9]. \square

The lemma implies that the E_r -term of (2.11) agrees with the one of the E -based Adams spectral sequence:

$$E_r^{s,t} \cong E_r^{s,t}(Q).$$

Proposition 2.13. *If a tower (2.9) exists, then Q in (2.10) is an invertible spectrum of \mathcal{L}_n . Furthermore, if $d_{rq+1}(1_Q) = \omega 1_Q \neq 0 \in E_{rq+1}^{rq+1, rq} = E_{rq+1}^{rq+1, rq}(Q)$ for the generator $1_Q \in E_2^{0,0} = E_2^{0,0}(Q)$ in the spectral sequence (2.11), then $\varphi(Q) = \omega$ for the monomorphism φ in (1.4).*

Proof. Let $\mu: E \wedge E \rightarrow E$ be the multiplication of the commutative ring spectrum E , and let $\eta_m: Q \rightarrow \Sigma^{1-m}Q_m$ denote the canonical map such that $k_{m-1}^Q \eta_m = \eta_{m-1}$. Then, we have a map $\eta: E \wedge Q \xrightarrow{E \wedge \eta_1} E \wedge E \xrightarrow{\mu} E$. Let $\mathcal{C} = \{X \in \mathcal{S}_{(p)} \mid X \text{ is finite, } \eta \wedge X: E \wedge Q \wedge X \simeq E \wedge X\}$. Then, \mathcal{C} is a thick subcategory of finite spectra. Ravenel [10, 8.3] constructed a finite torsion free spectrum Y , whose E -based Adams E_2 -term has a horizontal vanishing line: there exists an integer s_0 such that $E_2^{s,*}(Y) = 0$ for $s > s_0$. By [8, Prop. 4.3], we see that $Y \in \mathcal{C}$. This together with the thick subcategory theorem [5, Th. 7] implies that $S^0 \in \mathcal{C}$, and so $\eta: E \wedge Q \simeq E$. This also induces an isomorphism of E_*E -comodules. This fact is verified as follows: Since the cofiber sequence $E \xrightarrow{E \wedge i} E \wedge E \xrightarrow{E \wedge j} E \wedge \bar{E}$ obtained from (2.3) splits by $\mu(E \wedge i) = 1_E$ (the identity map on E), we have a map $\bar{\mu}: E \wedge \bar{E} \rightarrow E \wedge E$ such that $(E \wedge i)\mu + \bar{\mu}(E \wedge j) = 1$ for the identity $1: E \wedge E \rightarrow E \wedge E$. We see that $d\eta_1 = dk_1^Q \eta_2 = 0$ by (2.9). Then, we compute $(E \wedge j)(E \wedge \eta_1) = (\mu \wedge \bar{E})(E \wedge i \wedge \bar{E})(E \wedge j)(E \wedge \eta_1) = (\mu \wedge \bar{E})(E \wedge d)(E \wedge \eta_1) = 0$. We also see that $\eta_1 = \eta(i \wedge Q)$ by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Q & \xrightarrow{\eta_1} & E \\ i \wedge Q \downarrow & & i \wedge E \downarrow \\ E \wedge Q & \xrightarrow{E \wedge \eta_1} & E \wedge E \xrightarrow{\mu} E. \end{array}$$

It follows that $(E \wedge i)\eta = (E \wedge i)\mu(E \wedge \eta_1) = (1 - \bar{\mu}(E \wedge j))(E \wedge \eta_1) = E \wedge \eta_1 = (E \wedge \eta)(E \wedge i \wedge Q)$, and we obtain a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E \wedge Q & \xrightarrow{\eta} & E \\ E \wedge i \wedge Q \downarrow & & \downarrow E \wedge i \\ E \wedge E \wedge Q & \xrightarrow{E \wedge \eta} & E \wedge E \end{array}$$

Therefore, η induces a homomorphism $E_*(Q) \rightarrow E_*$ of comodules, and the former part of the proposition follows from Theorem 2.1.

The latter follows from Lemma 2.12. \square

We call the following finite sub-tower of (2.9) an m -tower :

$$(2.14)_m \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} Q_0 = pt & \leftarrow & Q_1 & \xleftarrow{k_1^Q} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{k_{m-1}^Q} & Q_m & \xleftarrow{k_m^Q} & Q_{m+1} \\ \downarrow & \swarrow & \downarrow d = i_1^Q & \nearrow j_1^Q & & \nearrow j_{m-1}^Q & \downarrow i_m^Q & \nearrow j_m^Q & \\ E & \xrightarrow{d^0} & E \wedge \bar{E} & \xrightarrow{d^1} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{d^{m-1}} & E \wedge \bar{E}^m & & \end{array}$$

Let M be an E -module spectrum with structure map $\nu: E \wedge M \rightarrow M$. Then, the unit map i of E and the map $d = i_1^Q$ in (2.9) give rise to an exact sequence

$$(2.15) \quad [E \wedge \overline{E}, M]_t \xrightarrow{(i_1^Q)^*} [E, M]_t \xrightarrow{i^*} [S^0, M]_t \rightarrow 0$$

for each $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ with splitting σ given by $\sigma(x) = \nu(E \wedge x)$ for $x \in \pi_t(M)$ (cf. [8, p. 329]). Consider a tower $(2.14)_m$ for an integer m and define a homomorphism $\psi_m: \pi_{m+t-1}(M) \rightarrow [Q_m, M]_t$ by

$$(2.16) \quad \psi_m(x) = \sigma(x)(k^Q)^{m-1},$$

where $(k^Q)^s = k_1^Q \cdots k_s^Q$ in (2.9).

Lemma 2.17 ([8, Lemma 4.5]). *Suppose that an m -tower $(2.14)_m$ for $m > 1$ exists and let M be an E -module spectrum. Then, we have a split short exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_{m+t-1}(M) \xrightarrow{\psi_m} [Q_m, M]_t \xrightarrow{(j_{m-1}^Q)^*} (\text{Im } (d^{m-1})^*)_t \rightarrow 0.$$

Here, $(d^{m-1})^*: [E \wedge \overline{E}^m, M]_t \rightarrow [E \wedge \overline{E}^{m-1}, M]_t$ is induced from $d^{m-1}: E \wedge \overline{E}^{m-1} \rightarrow E \wedge \overline{E}^m$.

Lemma 2.18. *Let $m > 1$ and let $\psi_m: \pi_{m+t-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^k) \rightarrow [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^k]_t$ be the homomorphism defined by (2.16) with $\nu = \mu \wedge \overline{E}^k$ for the multiplication μ of E and for an integer $k \geq 0$. Then, the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_{m+t-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^k) & \xrightarrow{\psi_m} & [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^k]_t \\ d_* \downarrow & & \downarrow d_* \\ \pi_{m+t-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^{k+1}) & \xrightarrow{\psi_m} & [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^{k+1}]_t \end{array}$$

commutes for the induced maps d_* from $d = d^k: E \wedge \overline{E}^k \rightarrow E \wedge \overline{E}^{k+1}$.

Proof. Since $i^*d_* = d_*i^*: [E, E \wedge \overline{E}^k]_* \rightarrow \pi_*(E \wedge \overline{E}^{k+1})$ and σ in (2.15) is a splitting for the homomorphism i^* , we see that $i^*(d_*(\sigma(x))) = d_*(x) = i^*(\sigma(d_*(x)))$ for $x \in \pi_{m+t-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^k)$. Then, we have an element $y \in [E \wedge \overline{E}, E \wedge \overline{E}^{k+1}]_*$ such that $(i_1^Q)^*(y) = d_*(\sigma(x)) - \sigma(d_*(x))$. Therefore, noticing that $i_1^Q(k^Q)^{m-1} = 0$, we compute for $x \in \pi_{m+t-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^k)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_m d_*(x) & \stackrel{(2.16)}{=} \sigma(d_*(x))(k^Q)^{m-1} = \left(d_*(\sigma(x)) - (i_1^Q)^*(y) \right) (k^Q)^{m-1} \\ & = d_*(\sigma(x))(k^Q)^{m-1} \stackrel{(2.16)}{=} d_* \psi_m(x). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

3. CONSTRUCTION OF INVERTIBLE SPECTRA

Consider a spectral sequence $\{{}^m E_r^{s,t}\}$ obtained by applying the homotopy groups $\pi_*(-)$ to an m -tower $(2.14)_m$. Then, the E_2 -term of the spectral sequence is isomorphic to the E_2 -term of the E -based Adams spectral sequence for computing $\pi_*(S^0)$ up to $(m-1)$ -stage: ${}^m E_2^{s,t} \cong E_2^{s,t}(S^0)$ for $s \leq m-1$. Consider a nontrivial element $[w] \in E_{rq+1}^{rq+1, rq}(S^0)$ for $w \in \pi_{rq}(E \wedge \overline{E}^{rq+1})$ and $r > 0$. Note that $\pi_{rq}(E \wedge \overline{E}^{rq+1})$ is also an E_1 -term of the spectral sequence $\{{}^m E_r^{s,t}\}$. If the element w survives to an element of ${}^m E_{rq+1}^{rq+1, rq}$ for $rq+1 \leq m$, then we denote it by $\langle w \rangle$.

Lemma 3.1. *Suppose that we have a nontrivial element $[w] \in E_{rq+1}^{rq+1, rq}(S^0)$ for $w \in \pi_{rq}(E \wedge \overline{E}^{rq+1})$ and $r > 0$. Then there exists an $(rq+2)$ -tower $(2.14)_{rq+2}$ such that $d_{rq+1}(1) = \langle w \rangle \in {}^{rq+2}E_{rq+1}^{rq+1, rq}$ for $1 \in {}^{rq+2}E_2^{0,0} \cong E_2^{0,0}(S^0)$ in the spectral sequence $\{{}^{rq+2}E_r^{s,t}\}$ associated to the tower.*

Proof. We take the same rq -tower as (2.7) up to rq -stage. That is, $Q_s = \overline{E}_s$ for $s \leq rq+1$ and $\ell_s^Q = \ell_s^S$ for $s \leq rq$, where ℓ stands for one of letters i, j and k . Put $i_{rq+1}^Q = i_{rq+1}^S + \psi_{rq+1}(w) \in [\overline{E}_{rq+1}, E \wedge \overline{E}^{rq+1}]_0$ for the maps i_{rq+1}^S in (2.7) and ψ_{rq+1} in (2.16) where $k^Q = k^S$. Then, $i_{rq+1}^Q j_{rq}^Q = i_{rq+1}^Q j_{rq}^S = i_{rq+1}^S j_{rq}^S = d$, since $(j_{rq}^S)^* \psi_{rq+1} = 0$ by Lemma 2.17. Let Q_{rq+2} be a cofiber of i_{rq+1}^Q , and we have an $(rq+1)$ -tower. By Lemma 2.18, we see that $d_* \psi_{rq+1}(w) = \psi_{rq+1} d_*(w) = 0$ for $d = d^{rq+1}$, since w is a d_* -cocycle. Since $d_* i_{rq+1}^S = 0$ by (2.7), we deduce $d_* i_{rq+1}^Q = 0$, and hence we obtain a map $i_{rq+2}^Q: Q_{rq+2} \rightarrow E \wedge \overline{E}^{rq+2}$ such that $d = i_{rq+2}^Q j_{rq+1}^Q$. Thus, we have an $(rq+2)$ -tower by setting Q_{rq+3} to be a cofiber of i_{rq+2}^Q .

Now consider the spectral sequence $\{{}^{rq+2}E_r^{s,t}\}$. Note that the generator $1 \in {}^{rq+2}E_2^{0,0}$ is represented by the unit map i . Then, the differentials of the spectral sequence on the generator 1 is given by

$$d_s(1) = [a] \in {}^{rq+2}E_s^{s, s-1} \quad \text{if } i_s^Q i_s = a \in \pi_{s-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^s)$$

by definition for $s \leq rq+1$. Here, i_s is the map of (2.5). By the last relation of (2.8) and (2.6), we see that

$$(3.2) \quad (k^S)^{s-1} i_s = i \quad \text{for } s \geq 1.$$

This together with $i_s^S i_s = 0$ of (2.8) shows that the differential of the spectral sequence acts as $d_s(1) = 0$ for $s \leq rq$. Consider (2.15) for $M = E \wedge \overline{E}^{rq+1}$ and $\nu = \mu \wedge \overline{E}^{rq+1}$. Then, we have $\sigma(w)i = i^* \sigma(w) = w$. We compute

$$\psi_{rq+1}(w) i_{rq+1} \xrightarrow{(2.16)} \sigma(w) (k^S)^{rq} i_{rq+1} \xrightarrow{(3.2)} \sigma(w) i = w,$$

and so, $i_{rq+1}^Q i_{rq+1} = (i_{rq+1}^S + \psi_{rq+1}(w)) i_{rq+1} = \psi_{rq+1}(w) i_{rq+1} = w$. This implies $d_{rq+1}(1) = \langle w \rangle \in {}^{rq+2}E_{rq+1}^{rq+1, rq}$ in the spectral sequence. \square

Lemma 3.3. *Suppose that we have a tower $(2.14)_m$ for $m > 1$. If $E_2^{m+1, m-1}(S^0) = 0$, then the tower extends up to $m+1$ stage.*

Proof. It suffices to show that the map $i_m^Q: Q_m \rightarrow E \wedge \overline{E}^m$ in the given tower $(2.14)_m$ is replaced by a map i_m^Q satisfying $i_m^Q j_{m-1}^Q = d^{m-1}$ and $d^m i_m^Q = 0$. Indeed, the relation $d^m i_m^Q = 0$ yields a map $i_{m+1}^Q: Q_{m+1} \rightarrow E \wedge \overline{E}^{m+1}$ such that $i_{m+1}^Q j_m^Q = d^m$, and we obtain a tower $(2.14)_{m+1}$ by taking Q_{m+2} as a cofiber of i_{m+1}^Q .

By Lemma 2.18, we have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
\pi_{m-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^m) & \xrightarrow{\psi_m} & [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^m]_0 & \xrightarrow{(j_{m-1}^Q)^*} & (\mathrm{Im} (d^{m-1})^*)_0 \\
(d^m)_* \downarrow & & \downarrow (d^m)_* & & \downarrow (d^m)_* \\
\pi_{m-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^{m+1}) & \xrightarrow{\psi_m} & [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^{m+1}]_0 & \xrightarrow{(j_{m-1}^Q)^*} & (\mathrm{Im} (d^{m-1})^*)_0 \\
(d^{m+1})_* \downarrow & & \downarrow (d^{m+1})_* & & \downarrow (d^{m+1})_* \\
\pi_{m-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^{m+2}) & \xrightarrow{\psi_m} & [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^{m+2}]_0 & \xrightarrow{(j_{m-1}^Q)^*} & (\mathrm{Im} (d^{m-1})^*)_0,
\end{array}$$

in which the horizontal sequences are exact by Lemma 2.17. Let $i'_m \in [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^m]_0$ denote the given map i'_m . Then, $d^{m-1} = i'_m j_{m-1}^Q$, and so $(j_{m-1}^Q)^*(d^m i'_m) = d^m d^{m-1} = 0$ for $d^m i'_m \in [Q_m, E \wedge \overline{E}^{m+1}]_0$. Therefore, we have an element $o \in \pi_{m-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^{m+1})$ such that $\psi_m(o) = d^m i'_m$. Moreover, $\psi_m(d^{m+1})_*(o) = (d^{m+1})_* \psi_m(o) = d^{m+1} d^m i'_m = 0$. Since ψ_m is a monomorphism, we have $(d^{m+1})_*(o) = 0$. The assumption $E_2^{m+1, m-1}(S^0) = 0$ indicates that the left column of the diagram is exact, and so we have an element $\tilde{o} \in \pi_{m-1}(E \wedge \overline{E}^m)$ such that $(d^m)_*(\tilde{o}) = o$. Now set $i_m^Q = i'_m - \psi_m(\tilde{o})$. Then, $i_m^Q j_{m-1}^Q = i'_m j_{m-1}^Q - (j_{m-1}^Q)^* \psi_m(\tilde{o}) = d^{m-1}$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
d^m i_m^Q &= d^m i'_m - (d^m)_* \psi_m(\tilde{o}) \stackrel{2.18}{=} d^m i'_m - \psi_m(d^m)_*(\tilde{o}) \\
&= d^m i'_m - \psi_m(o) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

as desired. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.8. Consider the $(r_0 q + 2)$ -tower of Lemma 3.1. For each $m \geq r_0 q + 2$, the condition of Lemma 3.3 is fulfilled by the assumption $E_2^{r_0 q + 2, r_0 q}(S^0) = 0$ for $r > r_0$ and the fact that $E_2^{*, t}(S^0) = 0$ unless $t \equiv 0 \pmod{q}$. It follows that the tower extends to an infinite tower. Now the theorem follows from Proposition 2.13.

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