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ON THE RELATION OF REAL COBORDISM TO KR-THEORY

Dedicated to Professor Tominosuke Otsuki on his 60th birthday

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Introduction

In the previous paper [6] we have introduced the cobordism theory with reality. The purpose of this paper is to give an analogue of the cobordism interpretation for K -theory of Conner-Floyd [4] for theories with reality.

Throughout this paper, by a *real space* and a *real map* we mean a Hausdorff space with involution and an equivariant map between real spaces, respectively (cf. [2], [6]). By a *real complex* we mean a CW -complex with nice involution (cf. [4], [6]). By *real vector bundles* over real spaces we mean real vector bundles in the sense of Atiyah [2].

Let $MR^{*,*}(\)$ and $KR^{*,*}(\)$ be the cobordism theory with reality [6] and the real K -theory of Atiyah [2], respectively. They are multiplicative generalized cohomology theories in some sense. By making use of Thom classes in KR -theory, we can get a natural transformation

$$\mu_R : MR^{*,*}(X) \longrightarrow KR^{*,*}(X)$$

of the cohomologies. Furthermore we can define a group homomorphism

$$c_0 : KR^{*,*}(X) \longrightarrow MR^{*,*}(X)$$

by using the first $MR^{*,*}$ -Chern classes for real vector bundles. And then, it holds a relation

$$\mu_R c_0 = -\text{id}.$$

Hence we obtain

Theorem 1. *For any pair (X, A) of finite real complexes, $KR(X, A)$ is embedded additively as a direct summand of $MR^{0,0}(X, A)$.*

Since the transformation $\mu_R : MR^{*,*} \longrightarrow KR^{*,*}$ is a ring homomorphism, we can regard $KR^{*,*}$ as a left $MR^{*,*}$ -module by defining $\omega a = \mu_R(\omega) a$ for $\omega \in MR^{*,*}$ and $a \in KR^{*,*}$. Then we have the following

Theorem 2. *For any pair (X, A) of finite real complexes, we have an*

isomorphism

$$\hat{\mu}_R : MR^{*,*}(X, A) \otimes_{MR^{*,*}} KR^{*,*} \cong KR^{*,*}(X, A).$$

In §1 we summarize some basic properties of KR -theory. In §2 we discuss on the relation between $MR^{*,*}$ -theory and $KR^{*,*}$ -theory by making use of the transformation μ_R of cohomology theories and prove Theorem 1. The proof of Theorem 2 is given in §3 by using $MR^{*,*}$ - and $KR^{*,*}$ -cohomology structures of the Grassmann manifold $G_k(C^n)$ which is a real space with the reality given by the conjugation.

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1. Preliminaries

In this section we summarize some basic properties on KR -theory which are needed in the later sections.

For any real pair (X, A) , we define

$$KR^{-p,-q}(X, A) = \tilde{KR}(\Sigma^{p,q} \wedge (X/A))$$

for any integers $p, q \geq 0$, where $\Sigma^{p,q}$ is the real space of [6], (2.1).¹⁾ Then, there is the following Bott isomorphism.

Proposition 1.1 (cf. [2], Theorem 2.3).

$$\beta : KR^{-p,-q}(X, A) \longrightarrow KR^{-p-1,-q-1}(X, A), \quad x \longmapsto bx,$$

is an isomorphism, where $b \in \tilde{KR}(\Sigma^{1,1}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ is a generator.

By making use of this proposition we can define $KR^{p,q}(X, A)$ for any pair (p, q) of integers. And we have

Proposition 1.2. For any integer p , $KR^{p,*}(\cdot)$ is a generalized cohomology theory. The theory $KR^{*,*}(\cdot)$ is a multiplicative theory.

Let ξ be a real vector bundle over a real compact space X and $T(\xi)$ the real Thom space (cf. [6]) of ξ . As in the usual way (cf. [3], Chap. II, §2.6 or [5], §3) the Thom class of ξ

$$\mathfrak{T}(\xi) \in \tilde{KR}(T(\xi))$$

is defined by the exterior algebra of ξ . And we have

1) According to the definition of Atiyah [2] $KR^{p,q}(X, A) = \tilde{KR}(\Sigma^{p,q} \wedge (X/A))$.

Proposition 1.3. (i) Let $h: \eta \longrightarrow \xi$ be a real bundle map and $T(h): T(\eta) \longrightarrow T(\xi)$ the real map of the real Thom spaces induced by h . Then

$$\mathfrak{T}(\eta) = T(h)^* \mathfrak{T}(\xi).$$

(ii) Under the identification $T(\xi \times \xi') = T(\xi) \wedge T(\xi')$ we have

$$\mathfrak{T}(\xi \times \xi') = \mathfrak{T}(\xi) \wedge \mathfrak{T}(\xi').$$

(iii) If θ^n is the n -dimensional trivial real vector bundle over a point, then $b_n = \mathfrak{T}(\theta^n) \in \widetilde{KR}(\Sigma^{n,n})$ is a generator ($b = b_1$).

Let the sequence $\{MU(k), \varepsilon_k \mid k \in N\}$ be the real Thom spectrum of [6], (2.4), and

$$\iota_{m,n}^*: MU(m) \wedge MU(n) \longrightarrow MU(m+n)$$

be the real map of [6], (2.2).

Proposition 1.5. Let $\gamma_n = (E(\gamma_n), p, BU(n))$ be the n -dimensional universal real vector bundle (cf. [6], §1) and $i_n: \Sigma^{n,n} \subset MU(n)$ the natural real inclusion. Then, we have

$$(i) \quad \iota_{m,n}^* (\mathfrak{T}(\gamma_{m+n})) = \mathfrak{T}(\gamma_m) \wedge \mathfrak{T}(\gamma_n),$$

$$(ii) \quad b_n = i_n^* (\mathfrak{T}(\gamma_n)).$$

Let CP_n be the n -dimensional complex projective space and η_n the canonical complex line bundle over CP_n . The space CP_n is a real space and the bundle η_n is a real line bundle with the reality induced by the conjugation.

As in the usual case (cf. [5], Chap. I, §4) we have

Proposition 1.6. (i) $T(\eta_{n-1}) = CP_n$ as real spaces with base points.

$$(ii) \quad \mathfrak{T}(\eta_{n-1}) = 1 - \eta_n \text{ in } KR(CP_n).$$

Let us consider that the Thom class $\mathfrak{T}(\xi)$ of the n -dimensional real vector bundle ξ belongs to $\widetilde{KR}^{n,n}(T(\xi))$, that is

$$\mathfrak{T}(\xi) \in \widetilde{KR}^{n,n}(T(\xi)),$$

by the Bott isomorphism $\beta^{-n}: \widetilde{KR}(T(\xi)) \cong \widetilde{KR}^{n,n}(T(\xi))$. It is convenient to think so for considerations of cohomology theories. Then

Proposition 1.7 (Thom Isomorphism Theorem) (cf. [2], Theorem 2.4). *For any n -dimensional real vector bundle ξ over a real compact space X , the homomorphism*

$$\mathcal{F} : KR^{p,q}(X) \longrightarrow \widetilde{KR}^{p+n,q+n}(T(\xi)),$$

defined by $\mathcal{F}(x) = \mathfrak{T}(\xi) \cdot x$ for $x \in KR^{p,q}(X)$, is an isomorphism.

Furthermore we have the followings.

Proposition 1.8 (cf. [2], p. 374). *Let $u_n = \beta^{-1}(1 - \eta_n) \in KR^{1,1}(CP_n)$. Then $KR^{*,*}(CP_n)$ is a free $KR^{*,*}$ -module with basis $1, u_n, \dots, (u_n)^n$, with the relation $(u_n)^{n+1} = 0$. In other words,*

$$KR^{*,*}(CP_n) = KR^{*,*}[u_n]/((u_n)^{n+1}).$$

Proposition 1.9. *It holds the splitting principle in the $KR^{*,*}$ -theory.*

Proposition 1.10. *There exists a unique function assigning to each n -dimensional real vector bundle ξ over a real compact space X an element*

$$\sigma(\xi) = 1 + \sigma_1(\xi) + \dots + \sigma_n(\xi)$$

where $\sigma_i(\xi) \in KR^{i,1}(X)$, such that

1) *if a real bundle map $f: \eta \longrightarrow \xi$ covers a real map $f: X \longrightarrow Y$ of base spaces, then $f^*\sigma(\xi) = \sigma(\eta)$,*

2) *if ξ and η are real vector bundles over X , then*

$$\sigma(\xi \oplus \eta) = \sigma(\xi) \sigma(\eta),$$

3) *if η_n is the canonical real line bundle over the real space CP_n , then $\sigma(\eta_n) = 1 + u_n$ where u_n is the element in Proposition 1.8.*

The elements $\sigma_i(\xi)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, will be called $KR^{*,*}$ -Chern classes of the n -dimensional real vector bundle ξ .

2. The relation between MR -theory and KR -theory

In the previous paper [6] we have defined the real cobordism group for any finite real complex X with base point as follows:

$$\widetilde{MR}^{p,q}(X) = \text{Dir}_k \text{Lim } [\Sigma^{k-p, k-q} \wedge X; MU(k)]_R.$$

We now define a natural transformation

$$\mu_R : \widetilde{MR}^{*,*}(X) \longrightarrow \widetilde{KR}^{*,*}(X)$$

in the same way as the definition of the natural transformation

$$\mu_G : \tilde{MU}^*(\cdot) \longrightarrow \tilde{K}^*(\cdot)$$

in Conner-Floyd [5], Chap. I, §5: Let $\alpha \in \tilde{MR}^{p,q}(X)$ be represented by $f : \Sigma^{k-p,k-q} \wedge X \longrightarrow MU(k)$. Then, let $\mu_R(\alpha)$ be the image of $\mathfrak{Z}(\gamma_k)$ in the composition

$$\tilde{KR}(MU(k)) \xrightarrow{f^*} \tilde{KR}(\Sigma^{k-p,k-q} \wedge X) = \tilde{KR}^{p-k, p-k}(X) \stackrel{\beta^{-k}}{\cong} \tilde{KR}^{p,q}(X).$$

Proposition 2.1. (i) *The transformation*

$$\mu_R : \tilde{MR}^{*,*}(\cdot) \longrightarrow \tilde{KR}^{*,*}(\cdot)$$

is a multiplicative transformation of cohomology theories.

(ii) *If $t(\xi) \in \tilde{MR}^{n,n}(T(\xi))$ is the Thom class of an n -dimensional real vector bundle ξ over a real compact space [6], §4, then $\mu_R(t(\xi))$ is the Thom class of ξ in the KR-theory.*

Proposition 2.2. *Let ξ be an n -dimensional real vector bundle over a finite real complex X , and let $c_i(\xi) \in MR^{i,i}(X)$ and $\sigma_i(\xi) \in KR^{i,i}(X)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, be the $MR^{*,*}$ -Chern classes [6] and $KR^{*,*}$ -Chern classes, respectively. Then $\mu_R c_i(\xi) = \sigma_i(\xi)$.*

Proof. To prove this, it suffices to show that

$$\mu_R : MR^{1,1}(CP_n) \longrightarrow KR^{1,1}(CP_n)$$

maps x_n into u_n , where x_n is the element of [6], Theorem 6.2, and u_n is the element of Proposition 1.8. Since the element x_n is represented by the real inclusion $j_n : CP_n \subset MU(1) = CP(\infty)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_R(x_n) &= \beta^{-1} j_n^* (\mathfrak{Z}(\gamma_1)) \\ &= \beta^{-1} \mathfrak{Z}(\eta_{n-1}) && \text{by Prop. 1.3, (i), and Prop. 1.6, (i)} \\ &= \beta^{-1}(1 - \eta_n) && \text{by Prop. 1.6, (ii)} \\ &= u_n. && \text{q. e. d.} \end{aligned}$$

If ξ, η are m, n -dimensional real vector bundles over a finite real complex X respectively, then $c_1(\xi \oplus \eta) = c_1(\xi) + c_1(\eta)$. Hence there exists a unique additive homomorphism

$$c_1 : KR(X) \longrightarrow MR^{1,1}(X)$$

taking a class of a real vector bundle ξ into $c_1(\xi)$.

Proposition 2.3. *If ξ is an n -dimensional trivial real vector bundle over a finite real complex, then $c_i(\xi) = 0$ for $i \geq 1$.*

Proof. Since every trivial bundle is induced by a map into a point, it suffices by the naturality to prove $c_i(\theta^n) = 0$, $i \geq 1$, for the trivial real bundle θ^n over a point. By [6], Theorem 6.2, we have $(x_{n-1})^n = 0$ in $MR^{*,*}(CP_{n-1})$. Hence $c_i(\theta^n) = 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, by the definition of $MR^{*,*}$ -Chern classes. q. e. d.

Proposition 2.4. *For any connected finite real complex X with base point, the following diagram is commutative :*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{KR}(X) & \xrightarrow{c_1} & \widetilde{MR}^{1,1}(X) \\ -1 \downarrow & & \downarrow \mu_R \\ \widetilde{KR}(X) & \xrightarrow{\beta^{-1}} & \widetilde{KR}^{1,1}(X). \end{array}$$

Proof. First we have

$$c_1(\eta_n - 1) = x_n \in MR^{*,*}(CP_n)$$

for the canonical real line bundle η_n over the real space CP_n . Hence

$$\mu_R c_1(\eta_n - 1) = \mu_R(x_n) = \beta^{-1}(1 - \eta_n)$$

is just the computation of the proof of Proposition 2.2. Therefore, by the naturality we have

$$\mu_R c_1(\xi - 1) = \beta^{-1}(1 - \xi)$$

for any real line bundle ξ over X .

Every element of $\widetilde{KR}(X)$ is of the form $\xi - k$, where ξ is a k -dimensional real vector bundle and k is a k -dimensional trivial real vector bundle over X . In virtue of Proposition 1.9, there is a real space F and a real map $\pi : F \rightarrow X$ such that

- 1) $\pi^* : KR^{*,*}(X) \rightarrow KR^{*,*}(F)$ is a monomorphism, and
- 2) $\pi^* \xi$ splits as a sum of k real line bundles $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^* \mu_R c_1(\xi - k) &= \mu_R c_1((\xi_1 - 1) + \dots + (\xi_k - 1)) \\ &= \beta^{-1}(1 - \xi_1) + \dots + \beta^{-1}(1 - \xi_k) \\ &= \pi^* \beta^{-1}(k - \xi). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\mu_R c_1(\xi - k) = \beta^{-1}(k - \xi). \quad \text{q. e. d.}$$

We now define, for a finite real complex X with base point,

$$c_0: \tilde{KR}(X) \longrightarrow \tilde{MR}^{0,0}(X)$$

as the composition

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{KR}(X) & \xrightarrow{\quad c_0 \quad} & \tilde{MR}^{0,0}(X) \\ \sigma^{1,1} \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{1,1} \\ \tilde{KR}^{1,1}(\Sigma^{1,1} \wedge X) & & \tilde{MR}^{1,1}(\Sigma^{1,1} \wedge X), \\ & \searrow \beta \quad \nearrow c_1 & \\ & \tilde{KR}(\Sigma^{1,1} \wedge X), & \end{array}$$

where $\sigma^{1,1}$ is the suspension isomorphism.

Passing to pairs (X, A) , we get an additive homomorphism

$$c_0: KR(X, A) \longrightarrow MR^{0,0}(X, A).$$

Proposition 2.5. *For any pair (X, A) of finite real complexes, the homomorphisms*

$$KR(X, A) \xrightarrow{c_0} MR^{0,0}(X, A) \xrightarrow{\mu_R} KR(X, A)$$

have $\mu_R c_0(\alpha) = -\alpha$ for every $\alpha \in KR(X, A)$.

Now, as a corollary of this proposition we obtain the following

Theorem 1. *For any pair (X, A) of finite real complexes, $KR(X, A)$ is embedded additively in $MR^{0,0}(X, A)$ as a direct summand.*

3. A real cobordism interpretation for $KR^{*,*}(X)$

Let $MR^{*,*} = \tilde{MR}^{*,*}(\Sigma^{0,0})$ and $KR^{*,*} = \tilde{KR}^{*,*}(\Sigma^{0,0})$. Then, in virtue of Proposition 2.5,

$$\mu_R: MR^{*,*} \longrightarrow KR^{*,*}$$

is a ring epimorphism. We thus can regard $KR^{*,*}$ as a left $MR^{*,*}$ -module by defining $\omega a = \mu_R(\omega) a$ for $\omega \in MR^{*,*}$ and $a \in KR^{*,*}$.

For a pair (X, A) of finite real complexes, define

$$A^{*,*}(X, A) = MR^{*,*}(X, A) \otimes_{MR^{*,*}} KR^{*,*}.$$

Then, there is a natural epimorphism

$$h : MR^{*,*}(X, A) \longrightarrow A^{*,*}(X, A)$$

defined by $h(x) = x \otimes 1$ for $x \in MR^{*,*}(X, A)$. And it is easily seen that the epimorphism induces an isomorphism

$$\bar{h} : MR^{*,*}(X, A)/R \cong A^{*,*}(X, A),$$

where R is the least subgroup of $MR^{*,*}(X, A)$ generated by all $x\omega - x\omega'$ for $x \in MR^{*,*}(X, A)$ and $\omega, \omega' \in MR^{*,*}$ such that $\mu_R(\omega) = \mu_R(\omega')$.

Since μ_R is multiplicative, there is a unique homomorphism

$$\hat{\mu}_R : A^{*,*}(X, A) \longrightarrow KR^{*,*}(X, A)$$

satisfying the following conditions :

- 1) $\hat{\mu}_R(x \otimes a) = \mu_R(x) a$
- 2) commutativity holds in

$$\begin{array}{ccc} MR^{*,*}(X, A) & \xrightarrow{h} & A^{*,*}(X, A) \\ & \searrow \mu_R & \swarrow \hat{\mu}_R \\ & KR^{*,*}(X, A) & \end{array}$$

Let define

$$\hat{c}_0 : KR^{*,*}(X, A) \longrightarrow A^{*,*}(X, A)$$

by the composition $KR^{*,*}(X, A) \xrightarrow{\hat{c}_0} A^{*,*}(X, A) \xrightarrow{h} MR^{*,*}(X, A)$. Then we have

Proposition 3.1. $\hat{\mu}_R \hat{c}_0 = -1.$

Now we can state the main theorem of this paper.

Theorem 2. For any pair (X, A) of finite real complexes,

$$\hat{\mu}_R : MR^{*,*}(X, A) \otimes_{MR^{*,*}} KR^{*,*} \longrightarrow KR^{*,*}(X, A)$$

is an isomorphism.

For the proof of Theorem 2 we shall need the cohomology structures

of the real Thom space of the classifying bundle.

Let $G_k(C^n)$ be the Grassmann manifold of k -planes in the n -dimensional complex space C^n , which is a real space with the reality given by the conjugation. We have real vector bundles γ_k^n (k -plane, point in it) and $\bar{\gamma}_k^n$ (k -plane, point in the orthogonal $(n-k)$ -plane) over $G_k(C^n)$ with $\gamma_k^n \oplus \bar{\gamma}_k^n$ trivial. We then have the Chern classes

$$\begin{aligned} c_i &= c_i(\gamma_k^n), \quad \bar{c}_i = c_i(\bar{\gamma}_k^n) \in MR^{i,i}(G_k(C^n)), \\ \sigma_i &= \sigma_i(\gamma_k^n), \quad \bar{\sigma}_i = \sigma_i(\bar{\gamma}_k^n) \in KR^{i,i}(G_k(C^n)), \end{aligned}$$

related by the equations $c\bar{c} = 1$ and $\sigma\bar{\sigma} = 1$. Therefore $\bar{c}_j$ and $\bar{\sigma}_j$ are the polynomials of degree j in the c_i and σ_i given by the formal inversions of c and σ , respectively. Then we can obtain the following proposition in the same way as R. E. Stong [7].

Proposition 3.2 (cf. [7], p. 69). *Let $h^{*,*}$ denote the cohomology functor $MR^{*,*}$ or $KR^{*,*}$ and d_i the $h^{*,*}$ -Chern class c_i or σ_i . Then $h^{*,*}(G_k(C^n))$ is the quotient of the polynomial algebra over $h^{*,*}$ on $d_1, \dots, d_k$, by the relations imposed by $\bar{d}_j = 0$ for $j > n - k$.*

Proof. The proof is by induction on k . Since $G_1(C^n) = CP_{n-1}$, the proposition being obvious for $k = 1$ by Proposition 1.8 and [6], Theorem 6.2.

Suppose the result holds for all $G_t(C^n)$ with $t < k$, and consider $G_k(C^n)$. Let $(P(\gamma_k^n), \pi, G_k(C^n))$ be the associated real projective bundle of γ_k^n and $(P(\bar{\gamma}_{k-1}^n), \bar{\pi}, G_{k-1}(C^n))$ the one of $\bar{\gamma}_{k-1}^n$. A point in $P(\gamma_k^n)$ is a pair $(V, [x])$ of a k -plane V in C^n and a line $[x]$ in V . Let $[x]^\perp$ be the orthogonal complement of $[x]$ in V . Then we can identify $P(\gamma_k^n)$ with $P(\bar{\gamma}_{k-1}^n)$ by means of the real homeomorphism defined by $(V, [x]) \rightarrow ([x]^\perp, [x])$. Let $l = l(\gamma_k^n) = l(\bar{\gamma}_{k-1}^n)$ denote the canonical real line bundle over $P = P(\gamma_k^n) \cong P(\bar{\gamma}_{k-1}^n)$ and $\xi = \bar{\pi}^* \gamma_{k-1}^n$, $\eta = \pi^* \bar{\gamma}_k^n$. Then we have

- (i) $\pi^* \gamma_k^n = l \oplus \xi$
- (ii) $\bar{\pi}^* \bar{\gamma}_{k-1}^n = l \oplus \eta$
- (iii) $\xi \oplus l \oplus \eta = \theta^n$

where θ^n is the trivial real bundle over P .

In virtue of Proposition 1.9 and [6], Theorem 6.6, $h^{*,*}(P)$ is a free $h^{*,*}(G_{k-1}(C^n))$ -module with basis $1, c, \dots, c^r$, with the relation $\sum_{i=0}^{r+1} (-1)^i c^{r+1-i} d_i(\bar{\gamma}_{k-1}^n) = 0$, where c is the first $h^{*,*}$ -Chern class $d_1(l)$ of l and $r = n - k$. By making use of the inductive assumption and the above

relations (i), (ii) and (iii) $h^{*,*}(P)$ is the quotient of the polynomial algebra over $h^{*,*}$ on $d_1(\xi), \dots, d_{k-1}(\xi), c, d_1(\eta), \dots, d_r(\eta)$ by the relations imposed by $d(\xi \oplus l \oplus \eta) = d(\xi) d(l) d(\eta) = 1$. Furthermore $h^{*,*}(P)$ is a free A -module with basis $1, c, \dots, c^{k-1}$, with the relation $\sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i c^{k-i} d_i = 0$, where A is the quotient of the polynomial algebra over $h^{*,*}$ on $d_1, \dots, d_k$ by the relations imposed by $\bar{d}_j = 0$ for $j > r$.

On the other hand, looking at P as a bundle over $G_k(C^n)$, $h^{*,*}(P)$ is a free $h^{*,*}(G_k(C^n))$ -module with basis $1, c, \dots, c^{k-1}$, with the relation $\sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i c^{k-i} d_i = 0$. Besides $h^{*,*}(G_k(C^n)) \supset A$. This completes the induction.

q. e. d.

As a corollary of this proposition we obtain the following

Proposition 3.3. *Let $h^{*,*}$ and d_i be as in the previous proposition. Then $h^{*,*}(G_k(C^n))$ is a free $h^{*,*}$ -module with basis $e_1, \dots, e_r$ ($r = \binom{n}{k}$), where e_i is a polynomial of the Chern classes $d_1, \dots, d_k$.*

Hence, by making use of the Thom isomorphism η^* we have

Proposition 3.4. *Let $h^{*,*}$ and e_i be as in the above proposition. Then $\tilde{h}^{*,*}(T(\gamma_k^n))$ is a free $h^{*,*}$ -module with basis $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$ ($r = \binom{n}{k}$), where $\alpha_i = \eta^*(e_i)$.*

Proof of Theorem 2. 1) The case of $X = T(\gamma_k^n)$: Let

$$\tilde{A}^{*,*}(X) = \tilde{M}R^{*,*}(X) \otimes_{MR^{*,*}} KR^{*,*}.$$

We need to compute the kernel of $\mu_R: \tilde{M}R^{*,*}(X) \rightarrow \tilde{K}R^{*,*}(X)$. An element is in this kernel if and only if the coefficients from $MR^{*,*}$ used in expressing this element in terms of the α_i all lie in the kernel of $\mu_R: MR^{*,*} \rightarrow KR^{*,*}$. Hence $\text{Ker } \mu_R \subset \text{Ker } h$, hence $\hat{\mu}_R$ is an isomorphism in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{M}R^{*,*}(X) & \xrightarrow{h} & \tilde{A}^{*,*}(X) \\ \mu_R \searrow & & \nwarrow \hat{\mu}_R \\ & \tilde{K}R^{*,*}(X) & \end{array}$$

2) The general case: Suppose $\hat{\mu}_R(\alpha) = 0$ for $\alpha \in \tilde{A}^{*,*}(X, A)$. Then, there exists $x \in MR^{*,*}(X, A)$ such that $\alpha = h(x)$ and $\mu_R(x) = 0$ in

$KR^{*,*}(X, A)$. Say $x = x_{i_1, j_1} + \cdots + x_{i_r, j_r}$ where $x_{i_k, j_k} \in MR^{i_k, j_k}(X, A)$. Let put $p = i_k$, $q = j_k$ for simplisity. Then $\mu_R(x_{p,q}) = 0$ in $KR^{p,q}(X, A)$. Let $x_{p,q}$ be represented by a real map

$$f: \Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A) \longrightarrow MU(n).$$

Since $\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A)$ is compact, we have for sufficiently large m

$$f(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A)) \subset T(\gamma_n^m).$$

Then the suspension $\sigma^{n-p, n-q}(x_{p,q}) \in \widetilde{MR}^{n,n}(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A))$ is in the image of

$$f^*: \widetilde{MR}^{n,n}(T(\gamma_n^m)) \longrightarrow \widetilde{MR}^{n,n}(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A)).$$

Hence $\sigma^{n-p, n-q} h(x_{p,q})$ is in the image of

$$f^*: \widetilde{A}^{*,*}(T(\gamma_n^m)) \longrightarrow \widetilde{A}^{*,*}(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A)).$$

Since $\hat{\mu}_R: \widetilde{A}^{*,*}(X/A) \longrightarrow \widetilde{KR}^{*,*}(X/A)$ maps $h(x_{p,q})$ into zero, so does

$$\hat{\mu}_R: \widetilde{A}^{*,*}(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A)) \longrightarrow \widetilde{KR}^{*,*}(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A))$$

map $\sigma^{n-p, n-q} h(x_{p,q})$ into zero. Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{A}^{*,*}(T(\gamma_n^m)) & \xrightarrow{f^*} & \widetilde{A}^{*,*}(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A)) \\ \hat{\mu}_R' \downarrow \uparrow \hat{c}_0' & & \hat{\mu}_R \downarrow \uparrow \hat{c}_0 \\ \widetilde{KR}^{*,*}(T(\gamma_n^m)) & \xrightarrow{f^*} & \widetilde{KR}^{*,*}(\Sigma^{n-p, n-q} \wedge (X/A)). \end{array}$$

Since $\hat{\mu}_R'$ is an isomorphism by the cass 1) and $\hat{\mu}_R' \hat{c}_0' = -1$, $\hat{c}_0'$ is an isomorphism. Therefore there exists $\varepsilon \in \widetilde{KR}^{*,*}(T(\gamma_n^m))$ with $\sigma^{n-p, n-q} h(x_{p,q}) = f^* \hat{c}_0'(\varepsilon)$. Then

$$-f^*(\varepsilon) = \hat{\mu}_R \hat{c}_0 f^*(\varepsilon) = \hat{\mu}_R f^* \hat{c}_0'(\varepsilon) = \hat{\mu}_R \sigma^{n-p, n-q} h(x_{p,q}) = 0.$$

Thus we have $\sigma^{n-p, n-q} h(x_{p,q}) = 0$ and $h(x_{p,q}) = 0$ in $\widetilde{A}^{*,*}(X/A)$. Hence $\alpha = h(x) = 0$ in $\widetilde{A}^{*,*}(X, A)$. That is

$$\hat{\mu}_R: \widetilde{A}^{*,*}(X, A) \longrightarrow KR^{*,*}(X, A)$$

is a monomorphism and the theorem follows.

q. e. d.

Recently, S. Araki [1] has discussed on the structure of $MR^{*,*}$, in which he has introduced notations MR^* , MR^{*+k} and MR^{*-k} . Now, by using these notations, let put

$$MR^* = \sum_p MR^{p,p}, \quad MR^{**k}(X, A) = \sum_p MR^{p+k,p}(X, A),$$

$$KR^* = \sum_p KR^{p,p}, \quad KR^{**k}(X, A) = \sum_p KR^{p+k,p}(X, A).$$

Then $MR^{**k}(X, A)$ and $KR^{**k}(X, A)$ are MR^* - and KR^* -modules, respectively. Furthermore, $MR^{*,*}(X, A)$ is a graded MR^* -module with grading $MR^{**k}(X, A)$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $KR^{*,*}(X, A)$ is a graded KR^* -module with grading $KR^{**k}(X, A)$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

By a suggestion of P. S. Landweber we obtain the following

Proposition 3.5. *For any pair (X, A) of finite real complexes, we have isomorphisms*

$$(i) \quad \hat{\mu}_R : MR^{**k}(X, A) \otimes_{MR^*} KR^* \cong KR^{**k}(X, A) \text{ for any integer } k,$$

$$(ii) \quad \hat{\mu}_R : MR^{*,*}(X, A) \otimes_{MR^*} KR^* \cong KR^{*,*}(X, A).$$

Proof. Let h^* denote MR^* or KR^* . Then $\tilde{h}^*(T(\tau_k^n))$ is a free h^* -module with basis $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$, where α_i is as in Proposition 3.4. Therefore, the proof of (i) for $k=0$ is quite similar to the proof of Theorem 2.

For a non-zero integer k , we have

$$MR^{**k}(X, A) = \tilde{MR}^*(\Sigma^{n-k,n} \wedge (X/A))$$

$$KR^{**k}(X, A) = \tilde{KR}^*(\Sigma^{n-k,n} \wedge (X/A)),$$

and the proposition follows from the case of $k=0$. q. e. d.

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