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Introduction

Let A be the modulo 2 Steenrod algebra, \mathcal{A} the category of graded A -modules and A -linear maps of degree zero, and \mathcal{U} the full sub-category of \mathcal{A} whose objects are unstable A -modules. We denote by $D : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ the destabilization functor and by $D_s, s \geq 0$, its derived functors. We have a natural transformation $\Sigma : D_s \rightarrow D_{s+1}$, $s \geq 0$, induced by the adjoint of the identity $\Omega D = D \Sigma^{-1}$ where $\Sigma^m, \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}, m \in \mathbb{Z}$, is the m^{th} suspension functor and Ω is the left adjoint of $\Sigma : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$.

In this note we prove the following theorem which will be more precise in section 2.3.

Theorem 1.1. Let M be a nil-closed unstable A -module. Then the natural map $\Omega D_s \Sigma^{-s} M \rightarrow D_s \Sigma^{-s-1} M$ is an isomorphism for every $s \geq 0$.

Using the higher Hopf invariants introduced in [7] we prove the following property of the Adams spectral sequence, in the modulo 2 cohomology, for the group $\{X, Y\}$ of homotopy classes of stable maps from X to Y , in certain cases.

Theorem 1.2. : Let X and Y two pointed CW-complexes such that

- (i) $\bar{H}^*(X; \mathbb{F}_2) \simeq \Sigma^2 I$ where ΣI is an injective unstable A -module.
- (ii) $\bar{H}^*(Y; \mathbb{F}_2)$ is gradually finite and nil-closed.

Then, the Adams spectral sequence for the group $\{X, Y\}$ degenerates at the E_2 -term : $E_2^{s,s} \simeq E_r^{s,s}$ for every $r \geq 2$ and $s \geq 0$.

The infinite real projective space $\mathbb{R}P^\infty$ is an example of a space Y satisfying the hypotheses of theorem 1.2.

The organization of the rest of this note is as follows. In section 2 we give a characterization of nil-closed A -modules which allows us to prove the theorem 1.1 (see theorem 2.3.3). Section 3 gives the proof of theorem 1.2 and an application. We finish this note by a remark concerning the case $p > 2$.

All cohomology is taken with \mathbb{F}_2 coefficients. We write $H^*()$ for $H^*(; \mathbb{F}_2)$ and we denote by $\bar{H}^*()$ the reduced modulo 2 cohomology.

2. Derived functors of the destabilization

2.1. Let A be the modulo 2 Steenrod algebra. We denote by \mathcal{A} the category whose objects are graded A -modules ($M = \{M^n, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$) and whose morphisms are A -linear maps of degree zero. We denote by \mathcal{U} the full sub-category of \mathcal{A} whose objects are unstable A -modules (an A -module M is called unstable if $Sq^i x = 0$ for every x in M^n and every $i > n$; in particular $M^n = 0$ if $n < 0$).

The forgetful functor $\mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ has a left adjoint functor $D : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$, called the destabilization functor, which satisfies : $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, N) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(DM, N)$ for every A -module M and every unstable A -module N . The functor $D : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ is right exact, we denote $D_s : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$, $s \geq 0$, its derived functors. One of the motivations for the study of the derived functors of the destabilization is the following isomorphism :

$$(2.1) \quad \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^s(M, I) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(D_s M, I)$$

for every A -module M and every unstable injective A -module I .

Let $\Sigma^m : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, the m^{th} suspension functor

which associates to a module $M = \{M^n, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ the module $\Sigma^m M = \{M^{n-m}, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. The A -module structure on $\Sigma^m M$ is given by $Sq^i(\Sigma^m x) = \Sigma^m Sq^i x$, x in M . The computation of $D_S \Sigma^{-t} M$, where M is an unstable A -module, is done by Lannes and Zarati [5] for $t \leq s$. In this paragraph we will compute $D_S \Sigma^{-(s+1)} M$ for a particular unstable A -modules called nil-closed. First let us recall the definition and some properties of nil-closed unstable A -modules.

2.2. Nil-closed unstable A -modules [1], [6]

Definition 2.2.1 An unstable A -module M is called reduced if the cup-square $Sq^n : M^n \rightarrow M^{2n}$, $x \rightarrow Sq^n x$, is injective for every $n \geq 0$.

Remark 2.2.2 We can verify easily that an unstable A -module is reduced if and only if it does not contain a non trivial nilpotent sub- A -module. An unstable A -module N is called nilpotent if for

$$\text{every } x \text{ in } M^n, \text{ there exist } r \geq 0 \text{ such that } Sq^{2^n} \dots Sq^n x = 0.$$

Definition 2.2.3. An unstable A -module M is called nil-closed if
 (i) M is reduced
 (ii) An element x in M of even degree is in the image of the cup-square if and only if $Q_i x = 0$, for all $i \geq 0$, where Q_i is the i^{th} Milnor primitive in A .

Example 2.2.4 Let $B\mathbb{Z}/2$ denote a classifying space of the group $\mathbb{Z}/2$. The unstable A -module $H^*(B\mathbb{Z}/2)$ is nil-closed indeed, as a graded \mathbb{F}_2 -algebra $H^*(B\mathbb{Z}/2)$ is freely generated by one generator of degree one.

2.3. Computation of $D_S \Sigma^{-(s+1)} M$, M nil-closed and $s \geq 0$.

2.3.1 To state our result we use the functor $R_S : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$, $s \geq 0$, introduction in [5] page 29 (see also [9]) whose main properties

are:

(i) The module $R_S M$ is a sub-A-module of $H^*(B(\mathbb{Z}/2)^S) \otimes M$. In particular $R_S M$ is an unstable A-module.

(ii) Let $H^*(B\mathbb{Z}/2) = \mathbb{F}_2[u]$ where u is of degree one. We denote by $L_S = H^*(B(\mathbb{Z}/2)^S)^{GL_S(\mathbb{Z}/2)}$ the Dickson algebra, that is the sub-algebra of $H^*(B(\mathbb{Z}/2)^S)$ of invariants under the natural action of the general linear group $GL_S(\mathbb{Z}/2) = GL((\mathbb{Z}/2)^S)$. The module $R_S M$ is the L_S -module generated by the elements $St_S(x)$, x in M . These elements $St_S(x)$ are defined inductively by :

$$St_0(x) = x \quad , \quad x \in M.$$

$$St_1(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n u^{n-i} \otimes Sq^i x \quad , \quad x \in M^n.$$

$$St_s(x) = St_1(St_{s-1}(x)) \quad , \quad s \geq 1, x \in M$$

iii) Let $E_+ \mathfrak{S}_2^s$ be the disjoint union of a base point and a contractible space on which the symmetric group \mathfrak{S}_2^s acts freely. For any pointed space X , we denote by $\mathfrak{S}_2^s X$ the quotient of the space $E_+ \mathfrak{S}_2^s \wedge (X \wedge \dots \wedge X)$, X is smashed with itself 2^s times, by the diagonal action of \mathfrak{S}_2^s (\mathfrak{S}_2^s acts on $X \wedge \dots \wedge X$ by permutation of the factors). Let $\Delta_S : B_+(\mathbb{Z}/2)^S \wedge X \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}_2^s X$ be a "Steenrod diagonal" determined by a bijection between $(\mathbb{Z}/2)^S$ and $\{1, 2, \dots, 2^S\}$. The unstable A-module $R_S H^* X$ is the image of Δ_S^* in the modulo 2 cohomology.

2.3.2 Let $\Omega : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ be the left adjoint functor of $\Sigma : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$, that is :

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(M, \Sigma N) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(\Omega M, N)$$

for every unstable A-modules M and N .

We are now ready to state the main result of this paragraph which will be proved in 2.6

Theorem 2.3.3 : Let M be a nil-closed unstable A -module. There exist a natural isomorphism :

$$D_S \Sigma^{-(s+1)} M \simeq \Omega R_S M, \quad s \geq 0$$

2.4. Some properties of nil-closed unstable A modules

In this paragraph we give two characterizations of nil-closed unstable A -modules which allow us to prove theorem 2.3.3

2.4.1. The first characterization of nil-closed unstable A -modules is given in [6] page 314.

Proposition 2.4.1.1. Let M be an unstable A -module. The following conditions are equivalent.

- (i) M is nil-closed
- (ii) $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{U}}^i(N, M) = 0$ for every nilpotent N in \mathcal{U} and $i = 0, 1$.
- (iii) There exist an injective resolution of M starting

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow K^0 \longrightarrow K^1$$

where K^0 and K^1 are reduced injective unstable A -modules.

Remark 2.4.1.2. The condition (iii) of the proposition 2.4.1.1 can be replaced by the following (see [4] page 163)

- (iii)' There exist an injective resolution of M starting

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow \prod_{\alpha} H^*(BV_{\alpha}) \longrightarrow \prod_{\beta} H^*(BV_{\beta})$$

where V_{α} and V_{β} are elementary abelian 2-groups. We have the following easy corollary.

Corollary 2.4.1.3. Let M be an unstable A -module. The following conditions are equivalent.

- (i) M is nil-closed.
- (ii) There exist a nil-closed unstable A -module L containing M such that the quotient L/M is reduced.

2.4.2. Another characterization of nil-closed.

Proposition 2.4.2.1 Let M be an unstable A -module. The following properties are equivalent.

- (i) M is nil-closed
- (ii) M and ΩM are reduced

The proof of this proposition is based on the following technical lemma. Let $Q_i, i \geq 0$, the i^{th} Milnor primitive in A and Sq_k the cohomology operation defined by $Sq_k x = Sq^{n-k}x$ where x is an element of degree n of an A -module ($Sq^{n-k} = 0$ if $n < k$).

Lemma 2.4.2.2 Let M be an unstable A -module. We have the following formula :

$$(Q_{i+1} \circ Sq_1)(x) = (Sq_0 \circ Q_i)(x)$$

for every x in M and every $i \geq 0$.

Proof. The proof is done by induction on i using Adem's relations. Recall that the elements $Q_i, i \geq 0$, are defined by

$$Q_0 = Sq^1$$

$$Q_i = Q_{i-1} Sq^{2^i} + Sq^{2^i} Q_{i-1}, \quad i \geq 1$$

The case $i = 0$. Let x be an element of degree n of an unstable A -module, we have :

$$Sq^1 Sq_1(x) = Sq^1 Sq^{n-1}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0(2). \\ Sq_0 x & \text{if } n \equiv 1(2). \end{cases}$$

$$Sq^2 Sq_1(x) = Sq^2 Sq^{n-1}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 2 > 2n - 1. \\ Sq^2 Sq^1 x & \text{if } 2 = 2n - 2. \\ \sum_{c=0}^1 C_{n-2-c}^{2-2c} Sq^{n+1-c} Sq^c x & \text{if } 2 < 2n - 2. \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ \text{Sq}^n \text{Sq}^1 x & \text{if } n \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

These formulas imply the case $i = 0$ because we have :

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1 \text{Sq}_1 x &= \text{Sq}^3 \text{Sq}_1 x + \text{Sq}^2 \text{Sq}^1 \text{Sq}_1 x \\ &= \text{Sq}_0 \text{Sq}^1 x \\ &= \text{Sq}_0 Q_1 x. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose $Q_i \text{Sq}_1 x = \text{Sq}_0 Q_{i-1} x$ for every $i : 0 \leq i \leq j-1$ and for every element x (of degree n) of an unstable A -module. To prove this formula for $i = j$ we consider :

$$\begin{aligned} Q_j \text{Sq}_1(x) &= \text{Sq}^{2^j} Q_{j-1} \text{Sq}_1(x) + Q_{j-1} \text{Sq}^{2^j} \text{Sq}_1(x) \\ &= \text{Sq}^{2^j} \text{Sq}_0 Q_{j-2}(x) + Q_{j-1} \text{Sq}^{2^j} \text{Sq}_1(x) , \text{ (inductive assumption)} \\ &= \text{Sq}_0 \text{Sq}^{2^{j-1}} Q_{j-2}(x) + Q_{j-1} \text{Sq}^{2^j} \text{Sq}_1(x). \end{aligned}$$

In the last equality we have used the following easy formula :

$$\text{Sq}^k \text{Sq}_0 = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \equiv 1(2) . \\ \text{Sq}_0 \text{Sq}^{\frac{k}{2}} & \text{if } k \equiv 0(2) . \end{cases}$$

If remains to show :

$$Q_{j-1} \text{Sq}^{2^j} \text{Sq}_1(x) = \text{Sq}_0 Q_{j-2} \text{Sq}^{2^{j-1}}(x).$$

Using the unstability of M and Adem's relations we prove :

$$Sq^{2^j} Sq_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \leq 2^{j-1} . \\ Sq_1 Sq^{2^{j-1}}(x) & \text{if } n \geq 2^{j-1} + 1 . \end{cases}$$

This formula gives :

$$Q_{j-1} Sq^{2^j} Sq_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \leq 2^{j-1} . \\ Q_{j-1} Sq_1 Sq^{2^{j-1}}(x) & \text{if } n \geq 2^{j-1} + 1 . \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \leq 2^{j-1} . \\ Sq_0 Q_{j-2} Sq^{2^{j-1}}(x) & \text{if } n \geq 2^{j-1} + 1 , \text{ (inductive assumption).} \end{cases}$$

$$= Sq_0 Q_{j-2} Sq^{2^{j-1}}(x)$$

2.4.3. Functor R_S and nil-closed A -modules.

Proposition 2.4.3.1. Let M be an unstable A -module. If M is nil-closed then $R_S M$ is nil-closed.

Proof : Let (*) $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha} H^*(V_{\alpha}) \rightarrow \prod_{\beta} H^* V_{\beta}$ be the beginning of an injective resolution of the nil-closed unstable A -module M (see remark 2.4.1.2). The functor R_S is exact and comutes with products (see [6]) ; then, when we apply it to the exact sequence (*) we get the following exact sequence :

$$0 \rightarrow R_S M \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha} R_S H^* V_{\alpha} \rightarrow \prod_{\beta} R_S H^* V_{\beta} .$$

The computation of $R_s H^* V$, where V is an elementary abelian 2-group, is done by induction on s (see [6] page 321). Let $V_s = (\mathbb{Z}/2)^s \oplus V$, $R_s H^* V$ is the sub-module of $H^*(V_s)$ of invariants under the action of the sub-group of $GL(V_s)$, denoted $GL(V_s, V)$, of automorphisms of V_s which induces the identity on V . The proposition 2.4.3.1 is now a consequence of the corollary 2.4.1.3 and of the fact that the sub-A-module $H^*(V)^G$, $G < GL(V)$, of $H^*(V)$ is nil-closed (see [6] page 314).

Remark 2.4.3.2. A different proof of the proposition 2.4.3.1 for $s = 1$ is given in [3]

2.5.Proof of the proposition 2.4.2.1.

2.5.1. First let us recall some properties of the functor Ω introduced in 2.3.2. Let $\Phi : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ be the functor which associates to each unstable A-module M , the "double of M ", denoted ΦM , defined by :

$$(\Phi M)^n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 1(2). \\ M^{n/2} & \text{if } n \equiv 0(2). \end{cases} \quad \text{and } Sq^i(\Phi x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \equiv 1(2). \\ \Phi Sq^{i/2} x & \text{if } i \equiv 0(2). \end{cases}$$

we verify that the map $Sq_0 : \Phi M \rightarrow M$, $\Phi x \mapsto Sq_0 x$, is A-linear and that the kernel and the cokernel of Sq_0 are respectively $\Sigma \Omega_1 M$ and $\Sigma \Omega M$ where Ω_1 is the first and unique derived functor of Ω (see [5] page 30). We remark that an unstable A-module M is reduced if and only if $\Omega_1 M = 0$.

2.5.2. Proof the proposition 2.4.2.1. (i) \implies (ii). It suffices to prove that ΩM is reduced. Let y be an element of $(\Omega M)^k$ such that $Sq_0 y = 0$. To prove that $y = 0$ we envision two cases :

(*) The case $k \equiv 0(2)$. in this case $(\Omega M)^k = (\Sigma^{-1} M / \text{Im } Sq_0)^k = M^{k+1}$ then $y = \Sigma^{-1} x$ where x is an element of M^{k+1} . $Sq_0 y =$

$\Sigma^{-1}Sq_1x = 0$. This implies that $Sq_1^1Sq_1x = Sq_0x = 0$ and then $x = 0$ since M is reduced. This shows that $y = \Sigma^{-1}x = 0$.

(**) The case $k \equiv 1(2)$. In this case $(\Omega M)^k = (\Sigma^{-1}M/\text{Im}Sq_0)^k = (M/\text{Im}Sq_0)^{k+1}$ then $y = \Sigma^{-1}[x]$ where x is an element of M^{k+1} . $Sq_0y = \Sigma^{-1}[Sq_1x] = \Sigma^{-1}Sq_1x = 0$ (Sq_1x is an element of M of odd degree) ; then, $Sq_1x = 0$. This implies that $Q_{i+1}Sq_1x = 0$ for every $i \geq 0$. Using the lemma 2.4.2.2 we get : $Sq_0Q_i x = 0$ for every $i \geq 0$ and then $Q_i(x) = 0, i \geq 0$, since M is reduced. Now x is an element of even degree of a nil-closed A -module M annihilated by all the $Q_i, i \geq 0$ then x is in the image of Sq_0 and then $y = \Sigma^{-1}[x] = 0$.

(ii) \implies (i). Since M is reduced then M embeds in a reduced injective unstable A -module K (see [6] page 313). To prove M nil-closed it suffices to prove that the quotient K/M is reduced and to use the corollary 2.4.1.3. If we apply the functor Ω to the exact sequence $0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow K \rightarrow K/M \rightarrow 0$ we get the following exact sequence : $0 \rightarrow \Omega_1(K/M) \rightarrow \Omega M \rightarrow \Omega K \rightarrow \Omega(K/M) \rightarrow 0$. The module $\Omega_1(K/M)$ is trivial because it is a nilpotent sub- A -module of the reduced unstable A -module ΩM . $\Omega_1(K/M)$ is nilpotent because, by definition, it is concentrated in odd degree. This shows that K/M is reduced and then M is nil-closed

2.6. Proof of the theorem 2.3.3

Let M be an unstable A -module. Consider the following exact sequence introduced in [5] page 32 :

$$(*) \quad 0 \rightarrow \Omega D_s \Sigma^{-s} M \rightarrow D_s \Sigma^{-(s+1)} M \rightarrow \Omega_1 D_{s-1} \Sigma^{-s} M \rightarrow 0$$

When M is reduced, the module $D_s \Sigma^{-s} M$ is naturally isomorphic to $R_s M$ ([5] proposition 4.6.2). The exact sequence becomes :

$$(**) \quad 0 \rightarrow \Omega R_s M \rightarrow D_s \Sigma^{-(s+1)} M \rightarrow \Omega_1 D_{s-1} \Sigma^{-s} M \rightarrow 0$$

The proof of the theorem 2.3.3 is done by induction on s . For $s = 0$ it is the identity $D \Sigma^{-1} = \Omega D$. Suppose that : $(H_k) D_k \Sigma^{-(k+1)} M \simeq \Omega R_k M$ for every $k : 0 \leq k \leq s-1$ and every nil-closed A -module M .

To prove (H_S) it suffices to remark that since M is nil-closed then, by the proposition 2.4.3.1, $R_{S-1}M$ is nil-closed. This implies that $\Omega R_{S-1}M$ is reduced (proposition 2.4.2.1), that is : $\Omega_1 \Omega R_{S-1}M = 0$. The exact sequence (**) and the inductive assumption give, for M nil-closed, the following natural isomorphism : $D_S \Sigma^{-(s+1)}M \simeq \Omega R_S M$.

3. Applications.

The topological applications of this note are based on the higher Hopf invariants introduced by Lannes and Zarati in [7]. Let X and Y be two pointed CW-complexes. We denote by $\{X, Y\}$ the group of homotopy classes of stable maps from X to Y . The Adams spectral sequence, in the modulo 2 cohomology, for the group $\{X, Y\}$ is denoted $\{E_r^{s,s} = E_r^{s,s}(X, Y), s \geq 0, d_r\}_{r \geq 2}$; $d_r : E_r^{s,s} \rightarrow E_r^{s+r, s+r-1}$ is the differential. We have the following theorem which will be proved in the section 3.4

Theorem 3.1 Let X and Y be two pointed CW-complexes such that :

- (i) $\bar{H}^*(X) \simeq \Sigma^2 I$ where ΣI is an injective unstable A -module.
- (ii) $\bar{H}^*(Y)$ is gradually finite ($\dim_{\mathbb{F}_2} H^n(Y) < +\infty, n \geq 0$) and nil-closed.

Then, the Adams spectral sequence, in the modulo 2 cohomology, for the group $\{X, Y\}$ degenerate at the E_2 -term $E_2^{s,s} \simeq E_r^{s,s}$ for every $r \geq 2$ and $s \geq 0$.

Remark 3.2 In [8] (see also [7]) there exist an analogous property of the Adams spectral sequence as in theorem 3.1 in the following two cases :

- (3.2.1) (i) $\bar{H}^*(X)$ is a reduced injective unstable A -module.
- (ii) $\bar{H}^*(Y)$ is gradually finite.

- (3.2.2) (i) $\Sigma \bar{H}^*(X)$ is an injective unstable A -module.
 (ii) $\bar{H}^*(Y)$ is a reduced gradually finite unstable A -module.

Corollary 3.3. Let X and Y be two pointed CW complexes which verify the hypothesis (i) and (ii) of theorem 3.1 and such that the Adams spectral sequence for the group $\{X, Y\}$ converges.

Then, the natural map :

$$h : \{S^1 X, Y\} \dashrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(\bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma \bar{H}^* X)$$

is surjective.

Proof. Theorem 3.1 shows that the term $E_2^{0,1} \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(\bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma \bar{H}^* X)$ persists at the infinity. Since the Adams spectral sequences for $\{X, Y\}$ converges, then the natural map $h : \{S^1 X, Y\} \dashrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(\bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma \bar{H}^* X)$ is surjective.

3.4. Proof of the theorem 3.1

Consider the following diagram whose commutativity is proved in [7], [8].

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & E_{\infty}^{s,s} & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{H}_{\infty}^{s,s}} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(R_S \bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma^2 I) \\
 \nearrow & & \downarrow \wr \\
 Z_{2,\infty}^{s,s} & & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(\Omega R_S \bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma I) \\
 \downarrow & & \textcircled{3} \uparrow \wr \\
 E_2^{s,s} \textcircled{1} \simeq \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^s(\Sigma^{-s-1} \bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma I) & \xrightarrow[\textcircled{2}]{\mathcal{H}_2^{s,s}} & \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{U}}(D_S \Sigma^{-s-1} \bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma I)
 \end{array}$$

($Z_{2,\infty}^{s,s}$ is the inverse image of $E_{\infty}^{s,s}$ in E_2 , $\mathfrak{H}_{\infty}^{s,s}$ and $\mathfrak{H}_2^{s,s}$ are the Hopf invariants at the E_{∞} -level and the E_2 -level respectively). The isomorphism 1 is clear since $E_2^{s,s} = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^s(\Sigma^{-s} \bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma^2 I) \simeq \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^s(\Sigma^{-s-1} \bar{H}^* Y, \Sigma I)$. The isomorphism 2 follows from the fact that ΣI is an injective unstable A -module. The isomorphism 3 is a consequence of the theorem 2.3.3.

By definition of the differential $d_r : E_r^{s-r, s-r+1} \rightarrow E_r^{s, s}$ we have : $\text{Im } d_r \subset Z_{r, \infty}^{s, s}$ and $Z_{r+1, \infty}^{s, s} = Z_{r, \infty}^{s, s} / \text{Im } d_r$ (see, for example [2]). It follows from the commutativity of the previous diagram that $Z_{2, \infty}^{s, s} \xrightarrow{\sim} E_{\infty}^{s, s}$ and then the differential $d_r : E_r^{s-r, s-r+1} \rightarrow E_r^{s, s}$, $r \geq 2$, is trivial. To prove that the differential $d_r : E_r^{s, s} \rightarrow E_r^{s+r, s+r-1}$, $r \geq 2$, is trivial we use the following isomorphism $E_2^{s, t}(X, Y) \approx E_2^{s, t+1}(X, SY)$ which allows us to use the results of [8] (see remark 3.2).

4. The case $p > 2$

In this note we can't replace 2 by an odd prime p since the proposition 2.4.2.1, which is the main algebraic result of this note, is false for $p > 2$. Here is an example ; the unstable A -module $H = H^*(B(\mathbb{Z}/p) ; \mathbb{F}_p) \otimes \mathbb{F}_p[v]$ of an exterior algebra on one generator u of degree one and of a polynomial algebra generated by v the Bockstein of u . We know that H is nil-closed (see [6]) but ΩH is not λ -projective (λ is the analog of Sq_0 for $p > 2$) ; the element $\Sigma^{-1} v^2$ of degree three of ΩH is such that : $\lambda(\Sigma^{-1} v^2) = \Sigma^{-1} \beta P^1 v^2 = 0$.

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