ON THE EXISTENCE OF THE SELF MAP $v_2^9$ ON THE SMITH-TODA COMPLEX $V(1)$ AT THE PRIME 3

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ABSTRACT. Let $V(1)$ be the Smith-Toda complex at the prime 3. We prove that there exists a map $v_2^9 : \Sigma^{144}V(1) \to V(1)$ that is a $K(2)$ equivalence. This map is used to construct various $v_2$-periodic infinite families in the 3-primary stable homotopy groups of spheres.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF RESULTS

Let $V(0)$ denote the mod 3 Moore spectrum. Let $V(1)$ be the Smith-Toda complex obtained by taking the cofiber of the self map $v_1 : \Sigma^4V(0) \to V(0)$ which induces multiplication by $v_1$ in $K(1)$-homology. This is an example of a type 2 complex. The periodicity theorem of Hopkins and Smith [10] states that there exists a $v_2$-self map $v : \Sigma^N V(1) \to V(1)$ which is a $K(2)$-equivalence. The purpose of this paper is to provide a minimal such $v_2$-self map. The main theorem of this paper is stated below.

**Theorem 1.1.** There exists a self-map

$$v_2^9 : \Sigma^{144}V(1) \to V(1)$$

whose effect on $K(2)$ homology is multiplication by $v_2^9$.

The strategy of proving the theorem is straightforward and computational. We first prove that the element $v_2^9$ in the Adams spectral sequence (ASS) for computing $\pi_*(V(1))$ is a permanent cycle. We then prove that this map extends over $V(1)$. We use the ASS instead of the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence (ANSS) because

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$v^0_9$ is in Adams filtration 9, whereas it has Adams-Novikov filtration 0. Therefore there are less potential targets for a differential supported by $v^0_9$ in the ASS than in the ANSS. The ASS $E_2$-term is also easier to compute.

Our method of showing that $v^0_9$ is a permanent cycle in the ASS is to consider all of the elements of the ASS which could be targets of differentials supported by $v^0_9$ which would not be detected in the ASS for $e_{O_2} \wedge V(1)$. We then will show all of these potential targets either support non-trivial differentials, or are killed on earlier pages of the spectral sequence. This requires knowledge of the ASS of $e_{O_2} \wedge V(1)$, as well as the $E_2$ term of the ASS converging to $\pi_*(V(1))$.

The spectrum $e_{O_2}$ is a connective cover of the spectrum $EO_2$ discussed in [5]. This spectrum should be regarded as a chromatic level 2 analog to the spectrum $bo$.

The spectrum $e_{O_2}$ is a ring spectrum, and thus there is a Hurewicz homomorphism

$$h : V(1) \rightarrow e_{O_2} \wedge V(1).$$

For our proof of Theorem 1.1, we need to know what the ASS for $e_{O_2} \wedge V(1)$ looks like, and what the effect of the Hurewicz homomorphism is on Adams $E_2$ terms, and this is accomplished in Section 2. The reader who like to avoid a digression on $e_{O_2}$-theory is invited to skip Section 2 and simply refer to Figure 2.2 and Proposition 2.5 for the relevant information. All of the methods in this section derive from unpublished work of Hopkins, Mahowald, and Miller. In retrospect, the resolution we use to compute $\text{Ext}(e_{O_2} \wedge V(1))$ should be compared to that of Ravenel [16, ch. 7].

In Section 3 we compute the $E_2$-term of the ASS for $V(1)$ through the 144-stem (the degree of $v^0_9$). We rely on Tangora’s computer generated tables [22] of $H^\ast(P_\ast)$ where $P_\ast$ is the polynomial part of the dual Steenrod algebra. The periodic lambda algebra [7] allows us to compute the $E_2$ term $H^\ast(A_\ast/E[r_0,r_1])$ via a Bockstein spectral sequence (BSS). In some instances Christian Nassau’s computer generated Ext tables were of welcome assistance.

Differentials in the ASS are computed by using the Hurewicz image in the homotopy of the spectrum $e_{O_2}$. In addition, we will prove a modified ‘Leibnitz rule’ for differentials in the ASS for $V(1)$. This product rule is our main tool for calculating difficult differentials in the ASS for $V(1)$. The product rule is presented in Section 5. It is a generalization of a formula for Adams $d_2$’s that was communicated to us by Brayton Gray. Such technology is essential because $V(1)$ is not a ring spectrum, so its ASS is not a spectral sequence of algebras. However, the $S$-module structure of $V(1)$ does make the ASS a spectral sequence of modules over the ASS for computing $\pi_\ast(S)$, and this is used occasionally to propagate differentials.

We make heavy use of the computation of the 3-primary stable stems through the 108 stem presented in [16]. We use these computations as input for the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence (AHSS) to make selective computations of $\pi_\ast(V(1))$ in certain ranges. These computations are described in Section 6.

Section 8 is devoted to proving that $v^0_9$ is a permanent cycle in the ASS for $V(1)$, and therefore detects an element of $\pi_\ast(V(1))$.

It now remains to extend $v^0_9$ over $V(1)$. This is simplified by a certain splitting of the complex $D(V(1)) \wedge V(1)$, where $D(V(1))$ is the Spanier-Whitehead dual. This splitting is the subject of Section 4. The splitting is also needed to prove the product rule.

Using the attaching map structure of one of the wedge summands, the obstruction to the extension of $v^0_9$ over $V(1)$ is identified as an element of $\pi_\ast(V(1))$. In
showing that this obstruction is zero, it is helpful to know what power $\beta_1^k$ has the
property that $\beta_1^k : \Sigma^{10k} V(1) \to V(1)$ is null. In Section 7, we show that the map is
null precisely when $k \geq 5$.

In Section 9, we proceed by considering all of the elements in the ASS that might
survive to the obstruction to extending $v_2^5$ over $V(1)$, and show that they all either
support differentials, or are the targets of differentials. Thus the map $v_2^5$ extends
to a self map of $V(1)$, completing our proof of Theorem 1.1.

We will now indicate the construction of some $v_2$-periodic elements of the stable
stems which arise from the self-map $v_2^5$. The authors learned of these constructions
from Katsumi Shimomura (compare with [18]). Theorem 1.1 allows us to deduce
that certain elements of the ANSS for the sphere must be permanent cycles. In
particular, we have the following consequence.

**Corollary 1.2.** The elements $\beta_i$ are permanent cycles in the ANSS for $i \equiv 0,1,2,5,6$
(mod 9).

**Proof.** For dimensional reasons, $v_2$ is a permanent cycle of the ANSS which detects
a map

$$v_2 : S^{16} \to V(1).$$

By [15], or Remark 8.2, the element $v_2^5$ in the ANSS is a permanent cycle which
detects a map

$$v_2^5 : S^{80} \to V(1).$$

We denote the Spanier-Whitehead dual of $v_2$ by

$$v_2^* : \Sigma^{16} DV(1) = \Sigma^{10} V(1) \to S^0.$$ 

Let $\nu : V(1) \to S^6$ be projection onto the top cell. The elements $\beta_i$ in Corollary 1.2
are constructed by the following compositions.

$$\beta_{0t} : S^{144t-6} \to \Sigma^{144t-6} V(1) \xrightarrow{v_2^{10t}} \Sigma^{-6} V(1) \xrightarrow{\nu} S^0$$

$$\beta_{0t+1} : S^{144t+10} \xrightarrow{v_2^{10t}} \Sigma^{144t+10} V(1) \xrightarrow{v_2^{10}} \Sigma^{-6} V(1) \xrightarrow{\nu} S^0$$

$$\beta_{0t+2} : S^{144t+26} \xrightarrow{v_2^{10t}} \Sigma^{144t+26} V(1) \xrightarrow{v_2^{10}} \Sigma^{10} V(1) \xrightarrow{\nu} S^0$$

$$\beta_{0t+5} : S^{144t+74} \xrightarrow{v_2^{10t}} \Sigma^{144t+74} V(1) \xrightarrow{v_2^{10}} \Sigma^{-6} V(1) \xrightarrow{\nu} S^0$$

$$\beta_{0t+6} : S^{144t+90} \xrightarrow{v_2^{10t}} \Sigma^{144t+90} V(1) \xrightarrow{v_2^{10}} \Sigma^{10} V(1) \xrightarrow{\nu} S^0$$

$\square$

It should be the case that the elements $\beta_{0t+3}$ exist, but we are unable to deduce
this from the existence of our self map on $V(1)$. Oka [15] indicates that if the complex $M(3,v_2^5)$ has a $v_2^5$ self map then the elements $\beta_{0t+3}$ exist. Shimomura’s
computations of $\pi_*(L_2 V(0))$ [20] demonstrate that the elements $\beta_{0t+3}$ are present
in $\pi_*(L_2(S^0))$. Shimomura [19] proves that $\beta_i$ cannot be a permanent cycle for $i \equiv 4,7,8$ (mod 9). In [18], many relations amongst the $\beta_i$‘s are investigated contingent
on the existence of the self-map constructed in this paper. In particular, Shimomura
proves that if the elements $\beta_i$ are permanent cycles for $i \equiv 1$ (mod 9), then they
are non-trivial. These elements are permanent cycles by Corollary 1.2. They should
be regarded as the substitutes for the the Adams-Novikov elements $\beta_{0t+4}$, which
fail to exist.
Some remarks as to how this paper came to be written are in order. The main result of this paper was the subject of the second author’s dissertation completed at Northwestern University under the direction of Mark Mahowald. The first author required the result for his dissertation work at the University of Chicago under the direction of J. Peter May. Certain errors and gaps in the original work needed to be corrected. In the original thesis, the second author’s main technique for obtaining differentials in the ASS was to lift differentials from the ANSS using a technical lemma called the ‘ladder lemma’. We were unable to make the proof of this lemma rigorous, and so the product rule (Theorem 5.1) is used instead for many of the differentials.

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**Conventions.** Throughout this paper we shall always be working in the stable homotopy category localized at the prime 3, and all homology will be with $\mathbb{F}_3$ coefficients. We shall use the following abbreviations.

- ASS: Adams spectral sequence
- ANSS: Adams-Novikov spectral sequence
- BSS: Bockstein spectral sequence
- AHSS: Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence

The dual Steenrod algebra will be denoted by $A_\ast$. If $X$ is a spectrum, we will often use the notation $\text{Ext}(X)$ to represent $\text{Ext}_{A_\ast}(\mathbb{F}_3, H_\ast(X))$, the $E_2$ term of the ASS for computing $\pi_\ast(X)$. We will denote the $E_2$ term of this ASS by $E_2(X)$. We shall use the notation $\simeq$ to indicate two quantities are equal up to multiplication by a unit in $\mathbb{F}_3$.

Finally, in Section 3 we give many elements in $H^\ast(P)$ names which are derived from their May spectral sequence names. In all but one case, the sign of the element corresponding to a name coincides with the element whose Curtis algorithm representative has a leading term with a positive sign. The one exception we make is the element called $k_0$ in bidegree $(2,20)$. We work under the sign convention that $k_0$ is detected by the lambda algebra element $-\lambda_4\lambda_3$. The reason we make this exception is so that certain relations (Equation 3.1) are more uniform.

2. The Adams spectral sequence of $eo_2 \wedge V(1)$

In this section we will define $eo_2 \wedge V(1)$ and compute its ASS. The method of computing the $E_2$ term of the ASS is to produce a finite complex $Y(2)$ such that upon smashing it with $eo_2 \wedge V(1)$ we get a wedge of $k(2)'s$. We know the ASS of this object, and we recover the $E_2$ term of the ASS for $\pi_\ast(eo_2 \wedge V(1))$ by forming a periodic resolution of $S^0$ out of copies of $Y(2)$. There is nothing original in this section. Most of the material here was first discovered by Hopkins, Mahowald, and Miller, but remains unpublished.
Let \( E_2 \) be the Hopkins-Miller spectrum at \( p = 3 \). It represents a Landweber exact cohomology theory whose coefficient ring is

\[
E_{2*} = \mathbb{W}_{F_9}[[u]][u, u^{-1}]
\]

where \( |u_1| = 0 \) and \( |u| = -2 \). Here \( \mathbb{W}_{F_9} \) is the Witt ring with residue field \( F_9 \). Fix a primitive 8\(^{\text{th}}\) root of unity \( \varpi \) in \( F_9 \). We will refer to it’s Teichmüller lift in \( \mathbb{W}_{F_9} \) also as \( \omega \). The element \( \varpi \) satisfies the relation

\[
\varpi^2 + \varpi + 2 = 0
\]

in \( F_9 \). The spectrum \( E_2 \) is a \( BP \)-ring spectrum, and the map \( \Phi : BP \to E_2 \) has the following effect on coefficient rings.

\[
\begin{align*}
\Phi(u_1) &= u^{-2}u_1 \\
\Phi(u_2) &= u^{-8} \\
\Phi(u_i) &= 0, \quad \text{for } i > 2
\end{align*}
\]

Let \( S_2 \) be the Morava stabilizer group. It is the automorphism group of the Honda height 2 formal group law \( F_2 \) over \( F_9 \), and is contained in the non-commutative algebra

\[
\mathbb{W}_{F_9}(S)/\langle S^2 = p, Sa = \sigma(a)S \rangle
\]

as the multiplicative group of units. Here \( \sigma \) is the a lift of the Frobenius map. The Galois group \( Gal = Gal(F_9/F_3) \) acts on \( S_2 \) by acting on \( \mathbb{W}_{F_3} \). It is cyclic of order 2 generated by the Frobenius automorphism \( \sigma \). One may form the semi-direct product

\[
G_2 = S_2 \rtimes Gal.
\]

The spectrum \( E_2 \) is an \( E_\infty \) ring spectrum, and the group \( G_2 \) acts on \( E_2 \) via \( E_\infty \) maps. The spectrum \( E_2 \) and the \( A_\infty \) action of \( S_2 \) are presented in [17]. There is a maximal finite subgroup \( G_{12} < S_2 \) of order 12 which is isomorphic to \( C_3 \rtimes C_4 \). It is generated by an element \( s \) of order 3, and an element \( t \) of order 4, given by the following formulas.

\[
\begin{align*}
s &= -\frac{1}{2}(1 + \omega S) \\
t &= \omega^2
\end{align*}
\]

These elements, as well as specific formulas for their action on \( E_{2*} \), are given in [5]. The subgroup \( G_{12} \) is not invariant under the Galois action, so following [6] we instead investigate a maximal finite subgroup \( G_{24} < G_2 \) (of order 24) which contains \( G_{12} \) and fits into the following (non-split) short exact sequence.

\[
1 \to G_{12} \to G_{24} \to Gal \to 1
\]

The subgroup \( G_{24} \) is generated by the elements \( s, t, \) and \( \psi \), where we define

\[
\psi = \omega \sigma \in G_2.
\]

The spectrum \( EO_2 \) is defined to be the homotopy fixed point spectrum \( E_2^{hG_{24}} \). A complete computation of the homotopy of \( EO_2 \), and its ANSS, is given in [6]. In [5], Goerss, Henn, and Mahowald compute the ANSS for \( EO_{24}(V(1)) \), but their approach must be modified since they use \( G_{12} \) instead of \( G_{24} \). Their results may be conveniently summarized in Figure 2.1. In this figure, dots represent additive \( F_3 \) generators, lines of length 3 represent multiplication by \( \alpha_1 \), lines of length 7
represent the Toda Bracket $\langle\alpha_1, \alpha_1, -\rangle$, and lines of length 10 represent multiplication by $\beta_1$. These products are given by the $S$-module structure. The homotopy is periodic with periodicity generator $v_2^{\pm 9/2}$ of degree 72 on the displayed pattern.

We want an Adams spectral sequence, but unfortunately the $v_2$-periodicity in $EO_2$ makes its homotopy trivial. We therefore need to take a connective cover. There is a nice connective cover of $EO_2$ called $eo_2$ which has been constructed by Hopkins, Mahowald, and others. Since the details of this construction are quite involved, we will instead define $eo_2 \wedge V(1)$ to be the connective cover of $EO_2 \wedge V(1)$.

Since there is a gap in the homotopy of $EO_2 \wedge V(1)$ between the 56 stem and the 72 stem (and hence by the periodicity of $EO_2$’s homotopy groups there is a gap between the $-16$ stem and 0 stem), taking the connective cover removes the periodic copies of the homotopy in negative dimensions. We remark that the reason that we cannot just define $eo_2$ to be the connective cover of $EO_2$ is that there are infinitely many copies of $BP(1)$ in the homotopy supported on negative periodicity generators whose unwanted homotopy eventually appears in positive degrees. Smashing with $V(1)$ kills all of this troublesome $v_1$-periodic homotopy.

We will now produce a finite complex $Y(2)$ which, when smashed with $EO_2$, splits as a wedge of Morava $K$-theories. Let $\gamma : S^4 \to BO$ be a generator of $\pi_4(BO) = \mathbb{Z}$. The map $\gamma$ extends to a loop map $\gamma_{\infty} : \Omega S^5 \to BO$. Let $J_i(S^4) \hookrightarrow \Omega S^5$ be the $i$th filtration of the James construction [11]. Then $\gamma$ restricts to a map $\gamma_i : J_i(S^4) \to BO$. Let $Y(i)$ be the Thom spectrum $(J_i(S^4))^\wedge$. Then the homology of the ring spectrum $Y(\infty)$ is given by

$$H_*(Y(\infty)) = \mathbb{F}_2[b_2]$$

where $b_2$ has degree 4. The homology $H_*(Y(i))$ is the additive subgroup generated by $b_k^i$ for $0 \leq k \leq i$.

There are maps $Y(i) \wedge Y(j) \to Y(i+j)$ induced from the maps $J_i(S^4) \times J_j(S^4) \to J_{i+j}(S^4)$. The complex $Y(1)$ is just the Thom spectrum $(S^4)^\wedge$, and it is a two cell complex whose top cell is attached to the bottom cell by the attaching map which is the image of $\gamma$ under the $J$-homomorphism. Therefore, $Y(1) = S^0 \cup_{b_1} e^4$. It follows that the dual Steenrod operation $P^1_*(b_2)$ acts on $H_*(Y(1))$ by the formula

$$P^1_*(b_2) = 1.$$
Using the map $Y(1) \wedge Y(1) \to Y(2)$, we obtain the following formulas for the dual action of the Steenrod algebra on $H_*(Y(2))$.

\[
\begin{align*}
P_1^1(b_2) &= 1 \\
P_1^2(b_2) &= 2b_2 \\
P_2^2(b_2) &= 1
\end{align*}
\]

In particular, we have the CW decomposition $Y(2) = S^0 \cup_{a_1} e^4 \cup_{2a_1} e^8$.

Our interest in $Y(2)$ arises from the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.1.** There is a splitting

\[ EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2) \simeq K(2) \vee \Sigma^8 K(2). \]

**Proof.** One can easily compute $\pi_*(EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty))$ from the AHSS arising from the cellular filtration of $Y(\infty)$, but the associated graded arising from this filtration gives too much ambiguity for our purposes. We therefore will use instead the homotopy fixed point spectral sequence

\[ H^*(G_{24}; \pi_*(E_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty))) \Rightarrow \pi_*(EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)) \]

where

\[ \pi_*(E_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)) = F_9[u, u^{-1}, b_2]. \]

In [6], the action of $G_{24}$ on $E_{24}(V(1))$ is given by the following formulas.

\[
\begin{align*}
s_*(u) &= u \\
t_*(u) &= u^2u \\
\psi_*(u) &= u^3u
\end{align*}
\]

The elements $s, t \in G_{12}$ correspond to the automorphisms

\[
\begin{align*}
s(x) &= x + F_2u^{-2}u^2x^3 = x + u^{-2}u^2x^3 + O(x^4) \\
t(x) &= u^2x
\end{align*}
\]

of the Honda height 2 formal group $F_2$ over $F_9[u, u^{-1}]$, with 3-series $[3]_{F_2} = u^{-8}x^3$.

Under the canonical map of Thom spectra $Y(\infty) \to MU$, $b_2$ maps to the element of the same name in

\[(E_2 \wedge V(1))_* (MU) = F_9[u, u^{-1}][b_1, b_2, b_3, \ldots]\]

where the generators $b_i$ coincide with those of Adams in [1, II.4.5]. These $b_i$ correspond to the coefficient of $x^{i+1}$ in a strict map of formal groups, and as such, we have

\[
\begin{align*}
s_*(b_2) &= b_2 + u^{-2}u^2 \\
t_*(b_2) &= b_2 \\
\psi_*(b_2) &= b_2.
\end{align*}
\]

Therefore, the fixed points are given by

\[ \pi_*(E_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty))^{G_{24}} = F_9[\langle u^2u^{-4} \rangle^{\pm 1}, b_2^3 - u^2u^2u^{-4}] \subset F_9[u^{\pm 1}, b_2]. \]

Define $a_4 = u^2u^{-4}$ and $a_6 = b_2^3 - u^2u^2u^{-4}$. In [5, 1.4], the $E_2$ term of the homotopy fixed point spectral sequence for $EO_2 \wedge V(1)$ is computed to be

\[ H^*(G_{24}; \pi_*(E_2 \wedge V(1))) = F_3[a_4^{\pm 1}, \beta] \otimes E[\alpha] \]
where $\beta = \langle \alpha, \alpha, \alpha \rangle$. The cellular filtration of $Y(\infty)$ gives an Atiyah-Hirzebruch type spectral sequence that allows one to compute $H^*(G_{24}; \pi_*(E_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)))$ from this. The $d^i_s$’s in this spectral sequence are multiplication by $\alpha_s$ and the $d^s_8$’s are given by the application of the Massey product $\langle \alpha_s, \alpha_s, - \rangle$. Thus we conclude that

$$H^*(G_{24}; \pi_*(E_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty))) = \begin{cases} \pi_*(E_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty))^{G_{24}}, & s = 0 \\ 0, & s > 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\pi_*(EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)) = F_3[a_1^{\pm 1}, a_6].$$

The spectrum $EO_2 \wedge Y(\infty)$ is a ring spectrum whose homotopy is concentrated in Adams-Novikov filtration 0, and since the obstruction for $V(1)$ to be a ring spectrum lies in positive Adams-Novikov filtration (4.1), $EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)$ is also a ring spectrum. Its homotopy is concentrated in even degrees, so it is complex-orientable [1]. The complex orientation

$$\theta : BP \to E_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)$$

for which $\theta_{*}(v_i) = 0$ for $i \neq 2$ and $\theta_{*}(v_2) = u^{-8}$ lifts to a complex orientation

$$\tilde{\theta} : BP \to EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty).$$

Here the effect on homotopy is given by $\tilde{\theta}_{*}(v_i) = 0$ and $\tilde{\theta}_{*}(v_2) = -a_2^3$. There are maps (for $\epsilon = 0, 1$)

$$S^{12j+8\epsilon} \wedge BP \xrightarrow{\alpha\pi_8^{\phi}} EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)$$

that extend to maps

$$\psi_{12j+8\epsilon} : \Sigma^{12j+8\epsilon} K(2) \to EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty).$$

These maps give a splitting

$$EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty) = \bigvee_{j \geq 0} \Sigma^{12j} (K(2) \wedge \Sigma^8 K(2)).$$

The composite

$$EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2) \to EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty) \to K(2) \wedge \Sigma^8 K(2)$$

(the second arrow is projection onto the first two wedge summands) is an equivalence. \[\square\]

**Corollary 2.2.** There is a splitting

$$eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2) \simeq k(2) \vee \Sigma^8 k(2).$$

**Proof.** The spectrum $k(2) \vee \Sigma^8 k(2)$ is the connective cover of $K(2) \vee \Sigma^8 K(2)$. The Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence for $(eo_2 \wedge V(1))_{*}(Y(2))$ is easily computed, and one finds

$$\pi_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2)) = F_3[a_4].$$

Therefore, $eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2)$ is the connective cover of $EO_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2)$. The previous proposition and the uniqueness of the connective cover combine to give this corollary. \[\square\]

**Remark 2.3.** Hopkins and Miller, in [9], prove the following stronger result.

$$eo_2 \wedge Y(2) \simeq BP(2)^{\wedge}_3 \vee \Sigma^8 BP(2)^{\wedge}_3.$$
We will now construct a resolution of the sphere spectrum out of suspensions of $Y(2)$. There are cofiber sequences
\[
S^0 \to Y(2) \to \Sigma^4 Y(1) \\
Y(1) \to Y(2) \to S^8
\]
where the first maps are the evident inclusions. Splicing these together gives the following 2-periodic resolution of $S^0$.

\[
\begin{array}{ccccccc}
S^0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^3 Y(1) & \longrightarrow & S^{10} & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{13} Y(1) & \longrightarrow & S^{20} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
Y(2) & & \Sigma^3 Y(2) & & \Sigma^{10} Y(2) & & \Sigma^{13} Y(2) & & \Sigma^{20} Y(2) & & \\
\end{array}
\]

The homology long exact sequences associated to this resolution break up into short exact sequences as a result of the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.4.** The maps
\[
H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1)) \to H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2)) \\
H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(1)) \to H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2))
\]
are injective.

**Proof.** The natural map of Thom spectra $Y(\infty) \to MU$ makes $MU$ a $Y(\infty)$-ring spectrum, and therefore the Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum $HF_3 = H$ is a $Y(\infty)$-ring spectrum. Thus there is a retraction

\[
H \xrightarrow{1 \wedge \eta} H \wedge Y(2) \xrightarrow{\mu} H \wedge Y(\infty) \xrightarrow{Id} H
\]

and we may conclude that $H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1)) \to H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2))$ is an inclusion. The complex $Y(2)$ is, up to suspension, Spanier-Whitehead self-dual, and so we also have that the projection map $H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2)) \to H_*(\Sigma^8 eo_2 \wedge V(1))$ is surjective, hence, the previous map in the cofiber sequence
\[
H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(1)) \to H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2))
\]
must be injective. \hfill \Box

We may therefore apply $\text{Ext}_{A_*}(F_3, H_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge -))$ to this resolution, and get long exact sequences, hence a spectral sequence. Our spectral sequence takes the form (for $\epsilon = 0, 1$)

\[
E_1^{2k+\epsilon, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot} = \text{Ext}^{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot}(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge \Sigma^{10k+3\epsilon} Y(2)) \Rightarrow \text{Ext}^{\cdot+2k+\epsilon, \cdot+1, \cdot}(eo_2 \wedge V(1))
\]

Applying Corollary 2.2, and using the known computation $\text{Ext}(k(2)) = F_3[v_2]$ where $|v_2| = (1, 17)$, we may express the $E_1$ term of 2.1 by

\[
E_1^{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot} = F_3[v_2, \beta] \otimes E[\alpha, \cdot].
\]

The tridegrees of these elements are $|v_2| = (0, 1, 17)$, $|\alpha| = (0, 0, 8)$, $|\beta| = (2, 0, 10)$, and $|\alpha| = (1, 0, 3)$. The only possible differentials are

\[
d_1(\alpha, \beta^i v_2^j \cdot) = \beta^{i+1} v_2^j
\]
but this $d_1$ arises from the composite $Y(2) \to S^8 \to \Sigma^8 Y(2)$. The element $v_2^ja \in \text{Ext}(e_0 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(2))$ is born on the zero cell of $Y(2)$, and so must map to zero when projected onto the 8-cell of $Y(2)$. Therefore, the spectral sequence 2.1 collapses at $E_1$, and we are left with a computation of the $E_2$-term of the ASS for $\pi_*(e_0 \wedge V(1))$.

The differentials in the ASS are easily inferred from the differentials in the ANSS computed in [5]. Figure 2.2 displays the complete ASS chart. In this chart, $F_3$-generators are represented by dots, $\alpha$ multiplication is displayed with solid lines, and
the Massey product \((\alpha, \alpha, -)\) is displayed with dotted lines. Solid lines of negative slope represent Adams differentials. The \(x\)-axis represents the \(t-s\) degree, and the \(y\)-axis represents the homological degree \(s\).

We remark that the ASS for \(eo_2 \wedge V(1)\) is additively identical to the ANSS. The only difference is that \(v_2\) has Adams filtration 1, whereas it has Adams-Novikov filtration 0.

We finish this section with a computation of the effect of the \(eo_2\) Hurewicz homomorphism on the ASS. We will use the resolution of \(S^0\) by the ring spectrum \(Y(\infty)\). Mahowald, in [12], investigates a geometric Thom isomorphism

\[ Y(\infty) \wedge Y(\infty) \simeq Y(\infty) \wedge (\Omega S^0_+) \]

under which we may make the identification

\[ \pi_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty) \wedge Y(\infty)) = F_3[a_4, a_6, r] \]

Here \(r\) has degree 4. We may regard \(F_3[a_4, a_6, r]\) as being contained in \(F_3[u^{-1}, b_2] \otimes F_3[b_2]\) where \(a_4\) and \(a_6\) are contained in the first factor as described earlier, and the element \(r\) corresponds to \(1 \otimes b_2\). The main result of [12] states that the right unit of the associated Hopf algebroid

\[ (F_3[a_4, a_6], F_3[a_4, a_6, r]) \]

is given by the following formulas where \(b_2\) maps to \(b_2 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes b_2\).

\[
\begin{align*}
\pi_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty)) & \xrightarrow{\Delta} \pi_*(eo_2 \wedge V(1) \wedge Y(\infty) \wedge Y(\infty)) \\
F_3[a_4, a_6] & \xrightarrow{\Delta} F_3[a_4, a_6, r] \\
\bar{\Delta}(a_4) & = \Delta(\bar{\varphi}^2 u^{-4}) = \bar{\varphi}^2 u^{-4} \otimes 1 \\
& = a_4 \\
\bar{\Delta}(a_6) & = \Delta(b_2^3 - \bar{\varphi}^2 b_2 u^{-4}) = (b_2^3 - \bar{\varphi}^2 u^{-4} b_2) \otimes 1 - \bar{\varphi}^2 u^{-4} \otimes b_2 + 1 \otimes b_2^3 \\
& = a_6 - a_4 r + r^3
\end{align*}
\]

The Hurewicz image of \(h_0\) is represented by \(r\), and the Hurewicz image of \(h_1\) is represented by \(r^3\). The \(d_1\) supported by \(a_6\) identifies the Hurewicz image of \(h_1\) with \(h_0 a_4 = \alpha \cdot a\). This observation may be used to prove the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.5.** The Hurewicz homomorphism

\[ h : \text{Ext}(V(1)) \to \text{Ext}(eo_2 \wedge V(1)) \]

is described by

\[
\begin{align*}
h(h_0) & = \alpha & h(b_2) & = \beta & h(v_2) & = v_2 \\
h(h_1) & = \alpha_1 a & h(g_0) & = \beta a
\end{align*}
\]

3. **Calculation of the Adams \(E_2\) term \(\text{Ext}_{A_0}(F_3, H_*(V(1)))\)**

The ASS for computing \(\pi_*(V(1))\) has as its \(E_2\) term

\[ \text{Ext}_{A_0}(F_3, H_*(V(1))) \]

As a comodule over the dual Steenrod algebra, we have

\[ H_*(V(1)) = E[\tau_0, \tau_1]. \]
Figure 3.1: $\text{Exp}_P(F_3, F_3)$, from Tangora's tables.
Figure 3.3. The $E_2$ term $\text{Ext}_{A_1}/E[\tau_0, \tau_1](F_2, F_3)$ of the ASS for computing $\pi_\ast(V(1))$. 
This is a subalgebra of the Steenrod algebra, but \( V(1) \) is not a ring spectrum, so this algebra structure is not the consequence of a geometric multiplication. For the purposes of computing \( \text{Ext} \), though, we may use the algebra structure. A change of rings isomorphism identifies the \( E_2 \) term of the ASS as the cohomology of a Hopf algebra.

\[
\text{Ext}_{A_*}(F_3, E[\tau_0, \tau_1]) \cong \text{Ext}_{A_*//E[\tau_0, \tau_1]}(F_3, F_3) = H^*(A_*//E[\tau_0, \tau_1]).
\]

We may identify

\[
A_*//E[\tau_0, \tau_1] = P[\xi_1, \xi_2, \ldots] \otimes E[\tau_2, \tau_3, \ldots].
\]

The cohomology of this Hopf algebra is the cohomology of the subalgebra of the periodic lambda algebra (see [7] for a description of the periodic lambda algebra) given by

\[
\overline{\lambda}(1) = \langle \lambda_i, e_j : i \geq 0, j \geq 2 \rangle \subset \overline{\lambda}.
\]

We only need the \( E_2 \) term of the Adams spectral sequence through the dimension of \( v_0^2 \), which is 144. Since the dimension of \( v_0 \) is 160, the cohomology of \( \overline{\lambda}(2) \) coincides with \( H^*(P_* \otimes P[\xi_3]) \) in the range we are interested in.

Figure 3.1 displays \( H^*(P_*) \). It was produced from Tangora’s Curtis tables in [22]. The y axis is the homological degree \( s \), and the x-axis is \( t-s \), where \( t \) is the internal degree. Solid lines of different slopes indicate multiplication by \( h_0 \) and \( h_1 \). Dotted lines indicate the Massey product \( \langle -, h_0, h_0 \rangle \). The element \( b_0 = \langle h_0, h_0, h_0 \rangle \), so \( b_0 \) multiplication can be read off as composites of \( h_0 \) multiplication and application of the above Massey product. Rectangles indicate that a generator supports a polynomial algebra on \( b_0 \), that is, all multiples of \( b_0 \) on the generator are non-zero in the calculated range, but they have not been written down in an effort to make the chart less cluttered. The Massey product representatives are the ones produced by using the full tags produced by the Curtis algorithm.

In Figure 3.1, certain generators have been given names. In our summary of conventions at the end of Section 1, we indicated that the signs of these elements will be chosen (with the exception of \( h_0 \)) so that the leading term of the corresponding element of the lambda algebra has coefficient +1. The following table summarizes this choice of signs for some of the low dimensional generators, by comparing our name, the lambda algebra name, and a Massey product representation.

<table>
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<th>Generator</th>
<th>Lambda Name</th>
<th>Massey Product</th>
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<tr>
<td>( b_0 )</td>
<td>( \lambda_2 \lambda_1 + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 )</td>
<td>( \langle h_0, h_0, h_0 \rangle )</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>( g_0 )</td>
<td>( \lambda_2 \lambda_3 )</td>
<td>( \langle h_0, h_0, h_1 \rangle )</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>( h_0 )</td>
<td>( -\lambda_4 \lambda_3 )</td>
<td>( \langle h_0, h_1, h_1 \rangle )</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>( b_1 )</td>
<td>( \lambda_6 \lambda_3 + \lambda_3 \lambda_6 )</td>
<td>( \langle h_1, h_1, h_1 \rangle )</td>
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</table>

There are certain relations which may be read off of Figure 3.1 up to sign. We indicate the proper sign of some of the low dimensional relations. By choosing the sign of \( h_0 \) as we have, these relations look more uniform.

\[
\begin{align*}
    h_1 b_0 &= h_0 g_0 \\
    h_1 g_0 &= h_0 k_0 \\
    h_1 k_0 &= h_0 b_1 
\end{align*}
\]

(3.1)
Figure 3.2 is a chart of the BSS

$$\text{Ext}_{A_+//E[\tau_0, \tau_1, \tau_2]}(F_3, F_3) \otimes P[v_2] \cong \text{Ext}_{A_+//E[\tau_0, \tau_1]}(F_3, F_3)$$

It is straightforward to calculate the differentials of this spectral sequence completely by explicitly finding the differentials in the periodic lambda algebra $\Lambda_{(1)}$ and then finding the representatives in the Curtis table.

In Figure 3.2, the $E_1$-term consists of $H^*(A_+//E[\tau_0, \tau_1, \tau_2]) \otimes P[v_2]$ which is isomorphic to $H^*(P_+) \otimes P[v_2, v_3]$ in our range of computation. It is implicit in the chart that every generator supports a $P[v_2]$, but all $v_2$ multiples are omitted unless they are targets of differentials, or otherwise contribute to hidden extensions. When $v_2$ multiples are displayed, they are represented by dash-dot lines. Hidden extensions are represented by dashed lines, and differentials are represented by negatively sloped solid lines.

We now have computed the $E_2$ term of the ASS. It is displayed in Figure 3.3. Unlike in Figure 3.2, in this chart $v_2$ is not implicit unless specifically indicated. Small solid dots on the chart represent, like all of the previous charts, $F_3$-basis elements. Small circles represent polynomial algebras on $v_2$. Otherwise $v_2$ multiplication is represented explicitly by dash-dotted lines. It should be noted that if an element is represented by a circle, it does not mean that that element supports infinitely many non-trivial multiplications by $v_2$. It just means that throughout the indicated range, all multiplications by $v_2$ are non-trivial.

4. The splitting of $D(V(1)) \wedge V(1)$

The complex $V(1)$ may be visualized with the following cell diagram.

```
0  1  5  6
```

Here the uncurved lines represent the Bockstein $\beta$ (attaching map $\cdot 3$) and the curved line represents the Steenrod operation $P^1$ (attaching map $\alpha_1$). The top $V(0)$ is attached to the bottom $V(0)$ by $v_1$, but this is not explicitly indicated in the cell diagram. Let $D(V(1)) \simeq \Sigma^{-6}V(1)$ be the Spanier-Whitehead dual of $V(1)$. In this section we will decompose $D(V(1)) \wedge V(1)$ into irreducible subcomplexes. Since $V(1)$ is self-dual, we will have also provided a splitting of $V(1) \wedge V(1)$.

Define finite complexes $Y_1$ and $Y_2$ as follows.

$$Y_1 = \text{cofiber} \left( \Sigma^{-1}V(1) \xrightarrow{\cdot 2} \Sigma^4V(0) \xrightarrow{\beta} \Sigma^{-6}V(1) \right)$$

$$Y_2 = \text{cofiber} \left( \Sigma^{-2}V(1) \xrightarrow{\cdot 1} \Sigma^{-5}V(1) \right)$$

Here $\nu$ is projection onto the top $V(0)$. Figure 4.1 displays cell diagrams of these complexes.

We will prove the following

**Proposition 4.1.** There is a splitting

$$D(V(1)) \wedge V(1) \simeq Y_1 \vee Y_2.$$  

**Proof.** Since $D(V(1)) \wedge V(1) \simeq \Sigma^{-6}V(1) \wedge V(1)$, it suffices to split the latter. Consider the twist map

$$\tau : V(1) \wedge V(1) \to V(1) \wedge V(1)$$
ON THE EXISTENCE OF \( v_2^g \)

The map \( \tau \) decomposes \( V(1) \wedge V(1) \) into +1 and −1 eigenspaces \( T_+ \) and \( T_- \). We claim that these are \( \Sigma^9Y_1 \) and \( \Sigma^9Y_2 \), respectively. More precisely, the self-maps \((1 + \tau)/2\) and \((1 − \tau)/2\) are idempotents on \( V(1) \wedge V(1) \), and thus give a splitting

\[ V(1) \wedge V(1) \cong T_+ \vee T_- . \]

The structure of \( T_- \) is straightforward from the action of the Steenrod algebra. To prove the existence of the \( \beta_1 \) attaching map in \( T_+ \), we will use the secondary cohomology operation \( \phi \) corresponding to the Adem relation \( P^2P^1 = 0 \). This secondary operation detects \( \beta_1 \). In [23], Thomas proves the Cartan formula

\[ \phi(xy) = \phi(x)y + x\phi(y) + (P^1\beta(x))(P^1\beta(y)) + (\beta P^1\beta(x))(P^1\beta(y)) . \]

Let \( e_i \) denote the generator of \( H^*(V(1)) \) in dimension \( i \). Evaluating \( \phi \) on \( e_0 \wedge e_0 \), we get

\[ \phi(e_0 \wedge e_0) = 0 \wedge e_0 + e_0 \wedge 0 + e_5 \wedge e_6 + e_6 \wedge e_6 = e_5 \wedge e_6 + e_6 \wedge e_5 . \]

Similarly, we see \( \phi(e_1 \wedge e_0 + e_0 \wedge e_1) = -e_6 \wedge e_6 . \)

\[ \square \]

5. THE PRODUCT RULE

The statement of the product rule will require some notation related to Adams resolutions which we will give presently. Let \( \overline{H} \) be the fiber of the unit \( \eta : S^0 \rightarrow H \), where \( H \) is the Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum \( HF_3 \). The standard Adams resolution is defined by letting \( W_s = \overline{H}^{(s)} \) and then defining \( W_{s,r} \) to be the cofiber \( \overline{H}^{(s)} / \overline{H}^{(s+r)} \). In particular, \( W_{s,\infty} = W_s = \overline{H}^{(s)} \) and \( W_{s,1} = H \wedge \overline{H}^{(s)} \). For a
spectrum $X$ the resolution may be written as

$$
\begin{align*}
X & \longrightarrow W_1 \land X \longrightarrow W_2 \land X \longrightarrow \cdots \\
W_{0,1} \land X & \longrightarrow W_{1,1} \land X \longrightarrow W_{2,1} \land X
\end{align*}
$$

The ASS for $\pi_*(W_{s,r} \land X)$ is a truncated version of the ASS for $\pi_*(X)$; it is the spectral sequence obtained by only including the $E_1^{i,j}$ terms for $s \leq i < s + r$, and omitting differentials supported on $E_1^{i,j}$ for $i < s$. There are several important maps relating the spectra $W_{s,r}$,

$$
\begin{align*}
&f_{s,r,k} : W_{s+r,k} \to W_{s,r+k} \\
g_{s,r,k} : W_{s,r+k} \to W_{s,r} \\
&\partial_{s,r,k} : W_{s,r} \to \Sigma W_{s+r,k} \\
&\mu_{s_1,s_2,r} : W_{s_1,r} \land W_{s_2,r} \to W_{s_1+s_2,r}
\end{align*}
$$

$\mu$ is induced by the product on $E$. The remaining maps are compatible in all of the ways one might expect them to be, and the sequence

$$W_{s+r,k} \xrightarrow{f_{s,r,k}} W_{s,r+k} \xrightarrow{g_{s,r,k}} W_{s,r} \xrightarrow{\partial_{s,r,k}} \Sigma W_{s+r,k}$$

is a cofiber sequence.

It is easy to see that an element $x \in \pi_*(W_{s,1} \land X)$ persists to the $E_r$ term of the ASS if and only if it lifts to an element $\tilde{x} \in \pi_*(W_{s,r} \land X)$. In fact, we have

$$E_r^{s,t} = \frac{\text{Im}\{\pi_{t-s}(W_{s,r} \land X) \to \pi_{t-s-1}(W_{s,1} \land X)\}}{\text{Im}\{\pi_{t-s+1}(W_{s-1,r} \land X) \to \pi_{t-s}(W_{s,r} \land X) \to \pi_{t-s-1}(W_{s,1} \land X)\}}$$

and $d_r(x)$ is computed as $\partial(\tilde{x}) \in \pi_*(W_{s+r,1} \land X)$.

Define, for $x_i$ in $\pi_*(V(1))$,

$$F(x_1,x_2) = x_1 \cdot \overline{x_2} + (-1)^{|x_1|} \overline{x_1} \cdot x_2 \in \pi_*(V(0))$$

where $\overline{x}$ is the image of $x_1$ in $\pi_*(V(0))$ under the projection $V(1) \to \Sigma^0 V(0)$, $\overline{x}$ is the image of $\overline{x}$ in $\pi_*(S)$ under the projection $V(0) \to S^1$. If $x_i \in \pi_*(W_{s_i,r} \land V(1))$, then $F(x_1,x_2)$ will be regarded as an element of $\pi_*(W_{s_1+s_2,r} \land V(0))$.

**Theorem 5.1 (Product Rule).** Suppose $x_i \in E_1(V(1))$ persist to the $E_r$-term of the ASS and $\beta_1 \cdot F(x_1,x_2) = 0$, thought of an element of $\pi_*(W_{s+1,r-1} \land X)$ (the product is induced from the $V(0)$-module structure of $V(1)$). Then it follows that $\beta_1 \cdot F(x_1,x_2) \in \pi_*(W_{s+1,r-1} \land V(1))$ lifts to an element $G(x_1,x_2)$ in $\pi_*(W_{s+1,r-1} \land V(1))$ and we have the following formula for $d_r(x_1,x_2)$

$$d_r(x_1,x_2) = (d_r(x_1) \cdot x_2 + (-1)^{|x_1|} x_1 \cdot (d_r(x_2)) - G(x_1,x_2)$$

**Example 5.2.** We will use the product rule to compute $d_3(v_2^3)$. The element $v_2$ is a permanent cycle for dimensional reasons. We have $\overline{v_2} = \beta_1 = h_1$ and $\overline{v_2} = \beta_1 = b_0$. Here we have given the ASS names of these elements. Therefore,

$$G(v_2,v_2) = (h_1 b_0 + b_0 \beta_1) b_0 = -h_1 b_0^2$$

so the product rule says that

$$d_3(v_2^3) = d_3(v_2)v_2 + v_2 d_3(v_2) - G(v_2,v_2) = h_1 b_0^2.$$
One can also use the Hurewicz homomorphism $V(1) \to e_{\alpha_2} \wedge V(1)$ to get this formula.

**Proof of product rule.** Let $X$ be the cofiber of $\beta_1 : \Sigma^{10} V(0) \to V(1)$. The closest substitute for a product on $V(1)$ is the map

$$
\mu : V(1) \wedge V(1) \to X
$$

formed by projecting onto the wedge summand $\Sigma^6 Y_1$ (Proposition 4.1) and collapsing out the bottom two cells of the top $V(1)$. If $y_i$ are elements of $\pi_*(V(1))$, then the image of $y_1 \wedge y_2 \in \pi_*(V(1) \wedge V(1))$ under the composition

$$
V(1) \wedge V(1) \to X \to \Sigma^{11} V(0)
$$

is $F(y_1, y_2)$.

We shall need various filtered forms of $X$. Define $X_{s,r} = W_{s,r} \wedge X$, and define $\tilde{X}_{s,r}$ and $\tilde{\tilde{X}}_{s,r}$ to be the following cofibers.

$$
\Sigma^{10} W_{s,r} \wedge V(0) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} W_{s+2, r-2} \wedge V(1) \to \tilde{X}_{s,r}
$$

$$
\Sigma^{10} W_{s,r} \wedge V(0) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} W_{s+2, r-1} \wedge V(1) \to \tilde{\tilde{X}}_{s,r}
$$

Note that the maps $\beta_1$ above may be chosen to raise the $s$-index by 2 because they have Adams filtration 2. Then we have the following cofiber sequences (by Verdier’s axiom).

$$
\tilde{X}_{s,r} \to X_{s,r} \to W_{s,2} \wedge V(1)
$$

$$
\tilde{\tilde{X}}_{s,r} \to \tilde{X}_{s,r} \to \Sigma W_{s+1,1} \wedge V(1)
$$

$$
\tilde{X}_{s,r+1} \to \tilde{X}_{s,r} \to \Sigma X_{s+1,1}
$$

$$
\tilde{\tilde{X}}_{s,r+1} \to \tilde{\tilde{X}}_{s,r} \to \Sigma^{12} W_{s+1,1} \wedge V(0)
$$

Since the Adams filtration of $\beta_1$ is greater than 0, there is an equivalence $H \wedge X \simeq H \wedge V(1) \vee H \wedge \Sigma^{11} V(0)$, thus $X_{s,1}$ splits in a similar manner. We need a splitting map that behaves well with respect to the other maps floating about. Consider the splitting $j$ induced on the cofibers below (the rows are cofiber sequences).

$$
\tilde{X}_{s,r+1} \xrightarrow{j} \tilde{X}_{s,r} \xrightarrow{\Sigma^{12} W_{s+1,1} \wedge V(0)}
$$

$$
\tilde{\tilde{X}}_{s,r+1} \xrightarrow{j} \tilde{\tilde{X}}_{s,r} \xrightarrow{\Sigma X_{s+1,1}}
$$

$$
\Sigma^{12} W_{s+1,1} \wedge V(0) \cong \Sigma^{12} W_{s+1,1} \wedge V(0)
$$
We consider \( j \) to be a nice splitting, because the projection \( \nu \) it induces onto the other wedge summand fills in the following triad of cofiber sequences.

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
\tilde{X}_{s,r+1} & \xrightarrow{\jmath} & \tilde{X}_{s,r} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma X_{s+r}} \Sigma W_{s+1,r} \land V(0) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow & \downarrow j \\
\tilde{X}_{s,r+1} & \xrightarrow{\partial j} & \tilde{X}_{s,r} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma X_{s+r}} \Sigma W_{s+1,r} \land V(1)
\end{array}
\]

Let \( \bar{x}_i \in \pi_*(W_{s,r}) \) be lifts of \( x_i \in \pi_*(W_{s,1}) \). Let \( s = s_1 + s_2 \). It is useful to keep in mind the following diagram.

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
W_{s,1} \land V(1) & \xrightarrow{\iota} & W_{s,r} \land V(1) & \xrightarrow{\Sigma W_{s+1,r} \land V(1)} \\
\downarrow \alpha & & \downarrow \alpha & \downarrow \alpha \\
X_{s,1} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & X_{s,r} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma X_{s+r}} \Sigma W_{s+1,r} \land V(1)
\end{array}
\]

The element \( x_1 \land x_2 \in \pi_*(W_{s,1} \land W_{s,2} \land V(1)^{(2)}) \) lifts to \( \bar{x}_1 \land \bar{x}_2 \in \pi_*(W_{s,r} \land W_{s,r} \land V(1)^{(2)}) \). We then have

\[
\partial(\bar{x}_1 \land \bar{x}_2) = d_r(x_1) \land x_2 + (-1)^{\|x_1\|}x_1 \land d_r(x_2).
\]

The element \( x_1 \cdot x_2 \) is equal to \( \nu \circ \mu(x_1 \land x_2) \in \pi_*(W_{s,1} \land V(1)) \). We want to compute \( d_r(x_1 \cdot x_2) \), which means we first need to lift \( x_1 \cdot x_2 \) to \( \pi_*(W_{s,r} \land V(1)) \). Now \( \mu(\bar{x}_1 \land \bar{x}_2) \) is a lift of \( \mu(x_1 \land x_2) \), but this element will not lift to a lift of \( x_1 \cdot x_2 \) without a little modification. The following sequence is exact.

\[
\pi_*(\tilde{X}_{s,r}) \to \pi_{*-11}(W_{s,r} \land V(0)) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \pi_{*-1}(W_{s+2,r-2} \land V(1))
\]

Our assumption that \( \beta_1 \cdot F(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) \in \pi_*(W_{s+2,r-2} \land V(1)) \) is trivial implies that \( F(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) \) lifts to an element \( \tilde{F} \in \pi_*(\tilde{X}_{s,r}) \). Let \( y \) be the image of \( \tilde{F} \) in \( X_{s,r} \), and define

\[
z = \mu(\bar{x}_1 \land \bar{x}_2) - y \in \pi_*(X_{s,r}).
\]

We claim that (1) \( z \) lifts to \( \bar{z} \in \pi_*(W_{s,r} \land V(1)) \), and (2) \( \bar{z} \) is a lift of \( x_1 \cdot x_2 \in \pi_*(W_{s,1} \land V(1)) \).

With regard to claim (1), we need only check that the image of \( z \) in \( \pi_*(\Sigma^{11}W_{s,r} \land V(0)) \) is zero. The image of both \( \mu(\bar{x}_1 \land \bar{x}_2) \) and \( y \) in \( \pi_*(\Sigma^{11}W_{s,r} \land V(0)) \) is \( F(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) \), therefore the image of \( z \), their difference, is zero. Claim (2) is established by noting that the sequence

\[
\pi_*(\tilde{X}_{s,r}) \to \pi_*(X_{s,r}) \to \pi_*(W_{s,2} \land V(1))
\]
is exact. Therefore the image of \( y \) in \( \pi_*(W_{s,2} \land V(1)) \) is zero, so its image \( \nu \circ g(y) \in \pi_*(W_{s,1} \land V(1)) \) is zero. So, we have
\[
g(\tilde{z}) = \nu \circ \iota \circ g(\tilde{z}) = \nu \circ g(z) = \nu \circ \mu(x_1 \land x_2) = x_1 \cdot x_2
\]
and claim (2) is established.

We are left with identifying \( \partial(\tilde{z}) \). We have
\[
\partial\tilde{z} = \nu \circ \partial(\mu(\overline{x_1} \land \overline{x_2}) - y) = d_r(x_1) \cdot x_2 + (-1)^{|x_1|} x_1 \cdot d_r(x_2) - \nu \circ \partial(y)
\]
We must evaluate \( \nu \circ \partial(y) \). In Diagram 5.1 the boundary maps \( \partial_1 \) and \( \partial_2 \) are displayed. There is a map of cofiber sequences relating \( \partial_1 \) to \( \partial \) in the commutative diagram displayed below.

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\tilde{X}_{s,r} & \longrightarrow & X_{s,r} \\
\| & & \| \\
\Sigma X_{s+r,1} & \longrightarrow & \Sigma X_{s+r,1}
\end{array}
\]

Therefore, \( \partial y = \partial_1 \tilde{F} \). Furthermore, Diagram 5.1 reveals the relationship between \( \partial_1 \) and \( \partial_2 \). Thus we have \( \nu \circ \partial_1(\tilde{F}) = \partial_2(\tilde{F}) \), and we just need an explicit description of the latter. The map of cofiber sequences
\[
\begin{array}{c}
W_{s+r,1} \land V(1) \longrightarrow \tilde{X}_{s,r} \longrightarrow \tilde{X}_{s,r} \\
\| & & \| \\
\Sigma W_{s+r,1} \land V(1) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W_{s+r,1} \land V(1)
\end{array}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{c}
W_{s+2,r-1} \land V(1) \longrightarrow \tilde{X}_{s,r} \longrightarrow \Sigma^{11} W_{s,r} \land V(0) \\
\| & & \| \\
\Sigma W_{s+2,r-1} \land V(1) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma W_{s+2,r-1} \land V(1)
\end{array}
\]
tells us that \( \partial_2(\tilde{F}) \) is a lift of \( \beta_1 \cdot F(x_1, x_2) \) to \( \pi_*(W_{s+r,1} \land V(1)) \) and as such, deserves to be called \( G(x_1, x_2) \). This completes our verification of the formula. \( \square \)

**Remark 5.3.** The theorem holds under a weaker assumption. The proof of the theorem does not require \( x_1 \) and \( x_2 \) to survive to \( E_r \), but only that \( \partial(x_1) \cdot x_2 + (-1)^{|x_1|} x_1 \cdot \partial(x_2) \) have Adams filtration greater than or equal to \( s+r \). We will need this technical generalization for some of our applications of the product rule.

### 6. Selected AHSS Calculations of \( \pi_*(V(1)) \)

In our calculation of differentials in the ASS it is helpful to know some of the homotopy groups of \( V(1) \). The 3-component of the homotopy groups of spheres is known completely through the 10S stem. A table summarizing these elements may be found in [16, A3]. Thus one may write down the \( E_1 \)-term of the AHSS
\[
E^1_{s,t} = \bigoplus_{\sigma \text{-cells of } V(1)} \pi_{t+s}(S) \Rightarrow \pi_{t+s}(V(1))
\]
in this range. The complex \( V(1) \) only has cells in dimensions 0, 1, 5, and 6. We shall denote an element in the \( E^1 \) term by the notation \( \gamma[k] \) where \( \gamma \in \pi_{s}(S) \) and \( k \) is the cell supporting it. The differentials are determined by the attaching maps,
and are given by the following formulas.

\[
d_1(\gamma[k]) = \begin{cases} 
3\gamma[k - 1] & k = 1, 6 \\
0, & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\]

\[
d_4(\gamma[k]) = \begin{cases} 
\alpha_1\gamma[1] & k = 5 \\
0, & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\]

\[
d_5(\gamma[k]) = \begin{cases} 
\langle \gamma, 3, \alpha_1 \rangle[1] & k = 6 \\
\langle \gamma, \alpha_1, 3 \rangle[0] & k = 5 \\
0, & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\]

While a complete determination of the AHSS through the 108 stem should be a relatively straightforward task, we restrict ourselves to a few vicinities where we need the data. These partial charts are given on the next few pages, and are referred to in subsequent sections.

All but two of the differentials are immediate. We do not know if the dotted differential (1) exists in (6.4) because we are unsure of whether or not \( \beta_2 \in \pm\langle \beta_5, \alpha_1, 3 \rangle \). We will see in the proof of Lemma 9.7 that the differential (1) must exist. The only other differential which isn’t clear is \( d_5(x_{68}[3]) \) in (6.3). We compute

\[
\alpha_1 \langle 3, \alpha_1, x_{68} \rangle \neq 3(\alpha_1, \alpha_1, x_{68}) \neq 0.
\]

This is a hidden extension in the ANSS for \( \pi_*(S^0) \) in the computations in [16].

The indeterminacy of \( \langle 3, \alpha_1, x_{68} \rangle \) is trivial, and the indeterminacy of \( \langle \alpha_1, \alpha_1, x_{68} \rangle \) is contained in \( \alpha_1 \cdot \pi_{72}(S^0) = 3 \cdot \pi_{75}(S^0) \), so it doesn’t enter into the above computation.

We conclude that \( \langle 3, \alpha_1, x_{68} \rangle \neq 0 \), so it has no choice but to be a non-zero multiple of \( \beta_2 \beta_1^2 \).

\textbf{Portions of the AHSS for } \pi_*(V(1))

\[
\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c}
\text{Stem} & \text{Stem} & \text{Stem} & \text{Stem} & \text{Stem} \\
55 & 56 & 57 & 58 & \\
\alpha_{14}[0] & \alpha_{14}[1] & \beta_2[5] & \beta_2[6] & \\
\beta_2^2 \alpha_1[0] & \beta_2 \alpha_1[1] & \alpha_1[6] & \beta_2[6] & \\
\beta_1^5[5] & \alpha_1[5] & \beta_2 \beta_1^2 \alpha_1[6] & \beta_1^5[6] & \\
\end{array}
\]

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Portions of the AHSS for $\pi_*(V(1))$, cont’d

(6,2)

\begin{align*}
\alpha_{16}[0] & \quad \alpha_{16}[1] & \quad \beta_2^2 \beta_1 \alpha_1[0] \\
\beta_2^2 \beta_1[1] & \quad \alpha_{15/2}[5] & \quad \beta_2^2 \beta_1[6]
\end{align*}

\begin{align*}
\alpha_{17}[0] & \quad \alpha_{17}[1] \\
\beta_2^2 \beta_1[5] & \quad \alpha_{16}[5] \\
\beta_2^2 \beta_1[6]
\end{align*}

(6,3)

\begin{align*}
\alpha_{17}[1] & \quad \alpha_{17}[6] \\
\alpha_{16}[5] & \quad \beta_2^2 \beta_1[6]
\end{align*}

(continues on next page)
Portions of the AHSS for $\pi_*(V(1))$, cont'd

(6.4) \[ \begin{align*} &\beta_2^2 \beta_7^2[5] \quad \beta_2^2[0] \quad \alpha_20[0] \quad \alpha_20[1] \\
&\alpha_18/3[6] \quad \beta_2^2 \beta_7^2[6] \quad (1) \quad \beta_2^2[1] \quad \alpha_19[5] \\
&\beta_6[5] \quad \beta_2^2 \beta_7^2 \alpha_1[5] \quad \beta_2^2 \beta_7^2 \alpha_1[5] \\
&\beta_5[6] \end{align*} \]

(6.5) \[ \begin{align*} &\alpha_22[0] \quad \alpha_22[1] \quad \gamma_2 \alpha_1[5] \quad \beta_6[0] \\
&\beta_6/2[1] \quad \alpha_21/2[5] \quad \beta_5 \beta_1[5] \quad \beta_6/3 \alpha_1[5] \\
&\beta_6/3[5] \quad \beta_6/3[6] \quad \alpha_21/2[6] \quad \langle \beta_2^3, \alpha_1, \alpha_1 \rangle[5] \\
&\langle \beta_5, \alpha_1, \alpha_1 \rangle[6] \quad \gamma_2 \alpha_1[6] \\
&\gamma_2[6] \quad \beta_5 \beta_1[6] \end{align*} \]

(6.6) \[ \begin{align*} &x_92[5] \quad \beta_6 \alpha_1[5] \quad \alpha_20[0] \quad \beta_2 \beta_6[0] \\
&\beta_6/3 \beta_1[5] \quad \beta_6 \alpha_1[5] \quad \langle x_92, \alpha_1, \alpha_1 \rangle[0] \quad \alpha_25[1] \\
&\alpha_23[6] \quad x_92[6] \quad \gamma_2 \beta_1 \alpha_1[5] \quad \langle x_92, \alpha_1, \alpha_1 \rangle[1] \\
&\langle \beta_5 \beta_1, \alpha_1, \alpha_1 \rangle[6] \quad \beta_6 \beta_1[6] \quad \beta_5 \beta_1[5] \quad \beta_6 \beta_1[5] \\
&\gamma_2 \beta_1[6] \quad \beta_6 \alpha_1[6] \quad \alpha_24/2[5] \quad \beta_6/3 \beta_1 \alpha_1[5] \\
&\beta_3 \alpha_1[6] \quad \gamma_2 \beta_1 \alpha_1[6] \quad \beta_5 \beta_1[6] \\
&\beta_6 \alpha_1[6] \quad \beta_5 \beta_1[6] \end{align*} \]
7. The Order of the $\beta_1$ Action on $V(1)$

In this section we will prove the following proposition.

**Proposition 7.1.** The map

$$\beta_1^5 : \Sigma^{50}V(1) \to V(1)$$

induced from smashing the map $\beta_1^5 : S^{50} \to S^0$ with $V(1)$ is null.

**Corollary 7.2.** Regarding $\pi_*(V(1))$ as a module over $\pi_*(S)$, we have the relation

$$\beta_1^5 \cdot x = 0$$

for all $x \in \pi_*(V(1))$.

We remark that in $\pi_*(S)$ we have the relation $\beta_1^6 = 0$, and $\beta_1^5$ is non-zero. The power of $\beta_1^5$ in Proposition 7.1 is minimal, since in $\pi_*(V(1))$ the image of the element $\beta_1^5$ under the inclusion of the bottom cell is non-trivial.

Corollary 7.2 follows from Proposition 7.1 since the element $\beta_1^5 \cdot x$ may be expressed as the following composite.

$$S^{50+k} \xrightarrow{x} \Sigma^{50}V(1) \xrightarrow{\beta_1^5} V(1)$$

We will first prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 7.3.** The element $\beta_1^5$ in $\pi_{50}(V(1))$ is trivial.

**Proof.** There are no elements in the 50 stem of Adams filtration greater than $b_0^5$. Therefore, it suffices to show that the element $b_0^5$ in the ASS for $\pi_*(V(1))$ is the target of a differential. In the ASS for $\pi_*(eO_2 \wedge V(1))$ there is a differential

$$d_6(v_2^3h_0) = b_0^5.$$ 

Using the results of Proposition 2.5, we may conclude that if $v_2^3h_0$ supports no shorter differentials in the ASS for $V(1)$, then it must kill $b_0^5$. Upon investigating the $E_2$ term of the ASS for $V(1)$, we see that there is no element in smaller Adams filtration that could be the target of a shorter differential. \qed

**Proof of Proposition 7.1.** We will demonstrate that the Spanier-Whitehead adjoint of $\beta_1^5$

$$\beta_1^5 : S^{50} \to D(V(1)) \wedge V(1)$$

is null. Let $X$ be the fiber of the composite

$$V(1) \to \Sigma^5V(0) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \Sigma^{-5}V(0)$$

where the first arrow is projection onto the top $V(0)$. By Proposition 4.1, $X$ may be regarded as a subcomplex of $Y_1$, which may in turn be regarded as a subcomplex of $D(V(1)) \wedge V(1)$. We wish to show that the composite

$$S^{50} \xrightarrow{\beta_1^5} S^0 \xrightarrow{X} Y_1 \xrightarrow{D(V(1)) \wedge V(1)}$$

is null. We will show that the shorter composite $S^{50} \to Y_1$ is null.
Consider the following diagram, whose two bottom rows are cofiber sequences.

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
S^{50} & \xrightarrow{f} & S^0 \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \ast \\
\Sigma^{-6}V(0) & \xrightarrow{X} & V(1) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\Sigma^{-6}V(1) & \rightarrow & V(1) \\
\end{array}
\]

In this diagram, the map \( S^{50} \rightarrow V(1) \) is null by Lemma 7.3. Therefore the lift \( f \) exists making the diagram commute. We will complete the proof of the proposition once we establish the following

**Claim.** The image of the map \( \pi_{50}(V(0)) \rightarrow \pi_{50}(V(1)) \) is trivial.

The claim follows easily from the AHSS for \( \pi_*(V(0)) \) and \( \pi_*(V(1)) \). A portion of the AHSS for \( \pi_*(V(0)) \) is displayed below.

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There are no differentials, and \( \pi_{50}(V(0)) \) is of rank 2. We now consider the image in \( V(1) \). The same portion of the AHSS for \( V(1) \) is displayed in (6.1), in which the same generators of \( \pi_{50}(V(0)) \) have been killed by differentials, and the claim follows.

\( \square \)

8. PROOF THAT \( v_2^0 \) IS A PERMANENT CYCLE

In this section we will prove that the element \( v_2^0 \) is a permanent cycle in the ASS for \( \pi_*(V(1)) \). We will let \( h : V(1) \rightarrow \eta_0 \wedge V(1) \) be the Hurewicz homomorphism.

We will first use the product rule (5.1) to determine \( d_2(v_2^0) \).

**Lemma 8.1.** There are the following differentials on \( v_2^0 \) in the ASS.

\[
\begin{align*}
\sigma_*(v_2) &= 0 & \sigma_3(v_2^3) &= h_1 b_0^2 & \sigma_2(v_2^0) &= -b_0 k_0 h_1 \\
\sigma_2(v_2^0) &= -b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2 & \sigma_2(v_2^0) &= -b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2 & \sigma_2(v_2^0) &= b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2^2 \\
\sigma_2(v_2^0) &= b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2 & \sigma_2(v_2^0) &= b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2 & \sigma_2(v_2^0) &= b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2^2 \\
\sigma_2(v_2^0) &= b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2 & \sigma_2(v_2^0) &= b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2 & \sigma_2(v_2^0) &= b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2^2 \\
\end{align*}
\]

**Proof.** These formulas are just obtained by iterated application of the product rule. The differential \( \sigma_3(v_2^0) \) is computed in this manner in Example 5.2. One then uses the following formulas in the ANSS, which are derived in [16, 5.1.20]

\[
\begin{align*}
\bar{v}_2^k &= \beta_k \equiv k h_1 v_2^{k-1} \pmod{v_1} \\
\bar{v}_2^k &= \beta_k \equiv k \binom{k}{2} v_2^{k-2} k_0 + k v_2^{k-1} b_0 \pmod{3, v_1}
\end{align*}
\]
to inductively determine $d_*(v_2^{k+1})$ from $d_*(v_2^k)$. We should point out that this formula differs by a sign from the formula in [16] because the elements we are referring to as $b_0$ and $k_0$ are normalized differently.

\begin{remark}
In [15], Oka demonstrates that $v_2^5$ is a permanent cycle in the ANSS for $\pi_*(V(1))$. Above, we have shown that it supports a $d_2$ in the ASS for $\pi_*(V(1))$. In fact, there is a differential

$$d_2(v_3b_0g_0) = b_0k_0h_1v_2^2$$

and $v_2^5 \pm v_3b_0g_0$ is a permanent cycle in the ASS. This differential is established in Lemma 9.5.

We must eliminate the possibility that $v_2^0$ supports a $d_r$ for $r > 2$. We will make a list of all elements in the ASS in the 143-stem of Adams filtration greater than 11. It is given in the table below, with references to the lemma that takes care of it, as well as the Adams filtration (AF).

\begin{table}
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|}
\hline
AF & Element & Lemma \\
\hline
29 & $h_0b_0^4$ & 8.3 \\
23 & $g_0h_0^2v_2^2b_0^4$ & 8.3 \\
22 & $b_1h_0v_2b_0^4$ & 8.4 \\
18 & $h_0b_0^2v_2^2b_0^1$ & 8.3 \\
 & $\eta_1v_2b_0^1$ & 8.5 \\
 & $v_3h_1b_0^8$ & 8.6 \\
17 & $h_0h_0^2v_2^2b_0^1$ & 8.9 \\
 & $\eta_1h_0b_0^6$ & 8.10 \\
13 & $v_3h_0b_0^6v_2^5$ & 8.13 \\
12 & $g_0h_0b_0^6v_2^5$ & 8.3 \\
 & $\eta_1g_0v_2b_0^2$ & 8.15 \\
 & $v_3b_0h_0v_2b_0^3$ & 8.14 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\end{table}

\begin{lemma}
If $x \in E_2(V(1))$ is an element of the ASS for $V(1)$, and its Hurewicz image $h(x) \in E_2(e^{2}A\vee V(1))$ is non-zero, then $x$ cannot be the target of a differential supported by $v_2^0$.
\end{lemma}

\begin{proof}
We have $h(d_r(v_2^0)) = d_r(h(v_2^0))$, but $h(v_2^0) \in E_2(e^{2}A\vee V(1))$ is a permanent cycle, so $d_r(v_2^0)$ must be in the Hurewicz kernel.
\end{proof}

\begin{lemma}
Suppose that $y \in E_6(V(1))$. Then $h_0b_0^6y = 0$ in $E_6(V(1))$. Similarly, if $z \in E_7(V(1))$, then $h_0^6z = 0$ in $E_7(V(1))$. In particular, if $x$ is an element of $E_2(V(1))$ and $x = h_0b_0^6y$ or $x = h_0^6z$ for $y$ or $z$ as before, than $x$ is not the target of a non-trivial $d_r$ for $r \geq 6$ or $r \geq 7$, respectively.
\end{lemma}

\begin{proof}
The element $h_0b_0^6$ dies in $E_6(S^0)$ (this is just the Toda differential $d_2b_1 \equiv h_0b_0^6$). Similarly, there is a differential $d_6(h_0b_0v_2^3) \equiv b_0^6$ giving the relation $b_0^6 = 0$ in $E_7(S^0)$. Then use the $S^0$-module structure of $V(1)$.
\end{proof}

The following lemmas take care of the other possible targets. We work from highest to lowest Adams filtration to eliminate the possibility of intervening differentials as we go along.
Lemma 8.5. In $E_6(V(1))$ there is a non-trivial differential
\[ d_5(\eta_1 v_2 b_0^7) = k_0 v_2 b_0^{10}. \]

Proof. In $E_6(S^0)$, we have $d_5 \eta_1 = k_0 b_0^3$. The element $v_2 b_0^7$ is a permanent cycle in the ASS for $V(1)$, so the differential follows from the $S$-module structure of $V(1)$. \qed

Lemma 8.6. In $E_4(V(1))$ there is a non-trivial differential
\[ d_4(v_3 h_1 b_0^8) = b_0^8 k_0^2. \]

Proof. Our AHSS calculations (6.3) prove that $\pi_7(V(1)) = 0$. Therefore, the ASS for $\pi_4(V(1))$ should have no non-trivial permanent cycles in the 72-stem. The $E_2$ term contains $k_0^2 b_0^2$, $b_0^3 k_0 v_2$, and $b_0^4 v_2$. The element $b_0^4 v_2$ supports a non-trivial $d_3$, and $d_5 \eta_1 v_2 = b_0^3 k_0 v_2$. The only possibility for eliminating $k_0^2 b_0^2$ is for $d_4(v_3 h_1) = k_0^2 b_0^2$. Therefore $d_4(b_0^4 v_3 h_1) = k_0^2 b_0^2$. \qed

For Lemma 8.9 we need to know the differentials supported by $v_2^i g_0$ for small $i$. These are given below.

Lemma 8.7. We have the following Adams differentials on $g_0 v_2^i$ in $E_4(V(1))$.
\[
\begin{align*}
 d_4(g_0 v_2^1) &= b_0^3 h_0 & d_3(g_0 v_2^2) &= b_0^3 k_0 h_0 & d_2(g_0 v_2^3) &= -g_0 b_0 k_0 h_1 \\
 d_3(g_0 v_2^2) &= 0 & d_3(g_0 v_2^3) &= v_2^2 b_0^3 k_0 h_0
\end{align*}
\]

Remark 8.8. The element $g_0 v_2^i$ is actually a permanent cycle, and this should be regarded as anomalous. The AHSS element which it corresponds to is $\langle \beta_5, \alpha_1, \alpha_1 \rangle[1]$, and this bracket is defined only because of the anomalous relation $\alpha_1 \beta_5 = 0$ in $\pi_4(S)$.

Proof. We will first explain how the term $G(g_0 v_2^i, v_2)$ and the term $G(g_0 v_2^i, v_2^2)$ in the product rule is computed. The Adams-Novikov element which detects $g_0 v_2^i$ is given by
\[ v_2^i b_0 h_0 - i v_2^{i-1} k_0 h_0 \quad (\text{mod } v_1). \]
(We will just work modulo $(v_1)$ since we will be mapping everything into $V(1)$ for the product rule anyways.) The Adams-Novikov element which detects $g_0 v_2^2$ is given by
\[ \left( \begin{array}{c} i \\ 2 \end{array} \right) v_2^{i-2} k_0 b_0 + i v_2^{i-1} b_0 g_0 \quad (\text{mod } v_1). \]

We recall from Lemma 8.1 the following formulas.
\[
\begin{align*}
 v_2 &= h_1 & v_2^2 &= -h_1 v_2 \\
 v_2^3 &= b_0 & v_2^3 &= k_0 - b_0 v_2
\end{align*}
\]

Using the relations 3.1 and the relation $v_2 b_1 h_1 = 0$, we may apply the product rule (5.1) iteratively to get the requisite differentials. Specifically, first apply the product rule to $g_0 \cdot v_2$ to get $d_4(v_2 g_0)$, then apply the product rule to $(g_0 v_2) \cdot v_2$ to get $d_3(g_0 v_2^2)$. In $E_2(S^0)$, $g_0$ supports a $d_2$, and $v_2^3$ supports a $d_2$ in $E_2(V(1))$, thus $d_2(v_2^3 g_0)$ may be deduced from the $S$-module pairing of Adams spectral sequences. The problem is, we can no longer apply the product rule to $v_2$ multiplication to get $d_3(v_2^4 g_0)$. However, we may instead apply the product rule to the product $v_2^2 \cdot v_2^3 g_0$ to get the formula for $d_3(v_2^4 g_0)$ and similarly to $v_2^3 \cdot v_2^4 g_0$ to get the formula for $d_3(v_2^6 g_0)$. \qed
In particular, we have the following lemma, which follows immediately.

**Lemma 8.9.** In $E_3(V(1))$ there is a differential
\[ d_3(v_2^4 h_0^2 b_0) = k_0 h_0 v_2^4 b_0. \]

**Lemma 8.10.** In $E_6(V(1))$ there is a differential
\[ d_6(v_2^4 h_0^3 b_0^3) = \eta_1 k_0 b_0^6. \]

**Proof.** We need to compute the differential supported by $v_2^4 h_0$. Observe that the differential $d_6(v_2^4 h_0) = b_0^6$ in the ASS for $eo_2 \wedge V(1)$ lifts to a differential in $E_6(V(1))$. The element $v_2^4 h_0^3$ must be a permanent cycle since there is nothing for it to kill. Hence, by the product rule,
\[ b_0^6 = d_6(v_2^4 h_0) = -G(v_2^4 h_0, v_2) = -b_0(\overline{h_0 v_2^4 b_0} - \overline{h_0 v_2^4 h_1}). \]

We conclude that the image of $h_0 v_2^4$ in $\pi_* V(1)$ is $\pm b_0^6$. The image of $\overline{h_0 v_2^4}$ in $\pi_* V(1)$ has to be in Adams filtration greater than or equal to that of the image of $h_0 v_2^4$, and so we may conclude that the image of $h_0 v_2^4$ is actually zero. Whereas $d_4(v_2^4)$ is non-zero, the differential ($d_4(v_2^4)$) $v_2^4 h_0$ is zero, and there are no permanent cycles in higher Adams filtration. Therefore $(\partial(v_2^4)) \cdot v_2^4 h_0 = 0$, and we are in a position to use the version of the product rule explained in Remark 5.3. Since $v_2^4$ is detected by $k_0$, we have
\[ d_6(v_2^4 h_0) = -G(v_2^4, v_2^4 h_0) = -b_0(v_2^4 \cdot v_2^4 h_0 + v_2^4 \cdot v_2^4 h_0) = -b_0(k_0 \cdot b_0^6) = -k_0 b_0^6. \]

We then use the $S$-module structure of $V(1)$, and the differential $d_6 \eta_1 = k_0 b_0^6$ to obtain
\[ d_6(\eta_1 \cdot v_2^4 h_0 b_0^6) = \pm k_0 h_0 b_0^6 v_2^4 \pm \eta_1 k_0 b_0^6. \]

By Lemma 8.9, $k_0 h_0 b_0^6 v_2^4$ is the target of $d_6$. \hfill $\Box$

We will need a couple of lemmas to prove Lemmas 8.13 and 8.14.

**Lemma 8.11.** In $E_4(V(1))$ there is a differential
\[ d_4(v_2^3 h_0 b_0) = b_1 b_0^3. \]

**Proof.** In the Adams spectral sequence for $\pi_* V(1)$ in the vicinity of the 65 stem, we have the following elements and differentials.

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Here we know for dimensional reasons that $b_1$, $k_0$, $v_2$, $h_0 v_2^2$, and $h_0 h_0 v_2$ are permanent cycles, and so all $b_0$ multiples of them are permanent cycles. We have the solid differentials from Lemmas 8.1 and 8.7. The only means by which the correct homotopy can be achieved is for one of the dotted differentials (1) to exist and the dotted differential (2) to exist. The differential (2) is the desired differential. \hfill $\Box$
Lemma 8.12. The element $v_2^3 b_1$ is a permanent cycle.

Proof. In [16] the element $\beta_{0/3}$ is shown to exist in $\pi_{82}(S^0)$. It is detected modulo the ideal $(3,v_1)$ in the ANSS by the element $\pm v_3^2 b_1$. Thus, the image of $\beta_{0/3}$ in $\pi_{82}(V(1))$ is detected in the ASS by the element $\pm v_3^2 b_1$, and this element must therefore be a permanent cycle.

Lemma 8.13. In $E_2(V(1))$ there is a non-trivial differential

$$d_2(v_2 h_0 b_0^3 v_2^3) = v_2 h_0 h_1.$$  

Proof. In Lemma 8.11, we showed that $d_2(v_2 h_0 b_0) = 0$. In Lemma 8.1, we showed that

$$d_2(v_2^3) = -b_0 h_0 h_1 = -b_0 b_1 h_0.$$  

We also know $v_2^3$, and hence $v_2^3$, are trivial in $E_2$ (they are in higher Adams filtration). We will now use the product rule (5.1) to compute the differential on $(v_2 h_0 b_0) \cdot v_2^3$. The term $G(v_2 h_0 b_0, v_2^3)$ is trivial in $E_2$ by the previous considerations. The following manipulations are made possible with the hidden extension $h_0 \cdot (v_2 h_0 b_0) = b_1 g_0 v_2$.

$$d_2((v_2 h_0 b_0) \cdot v_2^3) = (v_3 h_0 b_0) \cdot (b_0 b_1 h_0)$$

$$\quad \quad = b_0 h_0 b_1 v_2$$

$$\quad \quad = v_2 h_0 h_1 h_0 b_0$$

Now multiply by $b_0^3$.

Lemma 8.14. In $E_3(V(1))$ there is a non-trivial differential

$$d_3(v_3 k_0 b_0 v_2 b_3^3) = b_1 b_0^3 v_2^3.$$  

Proof. In $E_2(V(1))$, there is a Massey product

$$(8.1) \quad v_2^3 b_1 b_0^3 \in \langle b_1 b_0^3, v_1, v_2 b_2 h_2 \rangle.$$  

We are regarding the elements in the Massey product as detecting the following maps in homotopy.

$$b_1 b_0^3 \leftrightarrow \beta_2^3 \alpha_1[3] : \Sigma^{64} V(0) \to V(1)$$

$$v_1 \leftrightarrow v_1 : \Sigma^4 V(0) \to V(0)$$

$$v_2 h_2 \leftrightarrow \beta_3 : \Sigma^{43} V(0) \to V(0)$$

This Massey product therefore detects the Toda bracket

$$(8.2) \quad \langle \beta_2^3 \alpha_1[3], v_1, \beta_3 \rangle.$$  

We saw in Lemma 8.11 that $b_0^3 b_1 = 0$ in $E_5(V(1))$. Therefore, the Toda bracket is detected in a higher Adams filtration modulo an indeterminacy contained in the subgroup

$$[\Sigma^{69} V(0), V(1)] \circ \beta_3.$$  

We computed $\pi_{69}(V(1))$ and $\pi_{70}(V(1))$ using the AHSS (6.3). Both of these groups are rank 1, generated by $x_{69}[1]$ and $\beta_2^2 \beta_1 \alpha_1[3]$, respectively. So we have $[\Sigma^{69} V(0), V(1)]$ is of rank 2, generated by elements $\beta_2^2 \beta_1 \alpha_1[3]$ and $x_{69}[1]$. Here, the subscripts 0,1 are used to indicate what cell of the source $V(0)$ the element is
born on. We will conclude that the indeterminacy is zero using the \( V(0) \)-module structure of \( V(1) \).

\[
\beta_3^2 \beta_1 \alpha_1 [5] \circ \beta_3 = \beta_3 \cdot \beta_3^2 \beta_1 \alpha_1 [5]_0 = 0
\]

\[
x_{68}[1]_0 \circ \beta_3 = (\beta_3[1] \cdot x_{68}[1])_0 = 0
\]

Equation 8.3 follows from the relation \( \beta_3 \beta_1 = 0 \) in \( \pi_*(S) \).

In Equation 8.4, we mean the product of \( \beta_3[1] \in \pi_{43}(V(0)) \) and \( x_{68}[1] \in \pi_{69}(V(1)) \) under the module map \( \mu : V(0) \land V(1) \to V(1) \). The following diagram commutes:

\[
\pi_{43}(V(0)) \otimes \pi_{69}(V(0)) \xrightarrow{\mu} \pi_{112}(V(0))
\]

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\pi_{43}(V(0)) \otimes \pi_{69}(V(1)) \xrightarrow{\mu} \pi_{112}(V(1))
\]

Since \( x_{68}[1] \in \pi_{69}(V(1)) \) is born on the 1-cell, we may lift it to an element \( x_{68}[1] \in \pi_{69}(V(0)) \). Thus in order to show there is no indeterminacy it suffices to show that \( \beta_3[1] \circ x_{68}[1] = 0 \in \pi_{12}(V(0)) \). At this point we remind the reader that by our descriptions of the elements \( \beta_3[1] \) and \( x_{68}[1] \) as elements in \( \pi_*(V(1)) \), we mean that their images under the projection to the top cell are \( \beta_3 \) and \( x_{68} \), respectively. These elements are not necessarily uniquely determined in \( \pi_*(V(0)) \), but any two representatives will differ by the image of an element of \( \pi_*(S) \) under the inclusion of the bottom cell of \( V(0) \). Now \( \pi_{69}(S) = 0 \), so \( x_{68}[1] \) is uniquely determined. However, \( \pi_{43}(S) \) is generated by \( \alpha_1 \), so any two elements of \( \pi_{43}(V(0)) \) which project to \( \beta_3 \) on the top cell must differ by \( \pm \alpha_1 \circ [0] = \pi_{43}(V(0)) \). Under the product map \( V(0) \land V(0) \to V(0) \), all homotopy carried by the smash product of the 1-cells is annihilated. We will necessarily have \( \beta_3[1] \cdot x_{68}[1] = 0 \in \pi_{112}(V(0)) \) for all possible representatives of \( \beta_3[1] \) if we can show

\[
\alpha_1 [0] \cdot x_{68}[1] = 0 \in \pi_{112}(V(0)).
\]

This is straightforward: in \( \pi_{43}(V(0)) \) we have \( \alpha_1 [0] = \nu_0 \alpha_1 [0] \), and \( \alpha_1 \cdot x_{68} = 0 \in \pi_*(S) \). Thus the Toda bracket 8.2 has no indeterminacy.

We conclude that the Toda bracket 8.2 must be zero in \( \pi_*(V(1)) \) modulo higher Adams filtration. There are only three elements in the correct range to kill the corresponding Massey product 8.1, and these elements are \( v_3^2 v_3 h_0 b_0 \), \( \gamma_2^2 v_3 \), and \( v_3^3 h_0 v_3^2 \). In Lemma 8.13, we proved that \( v_2^3 v_3 h_0 b_0 \) supported a non-trivial \( d_2 \). The element \( \gamma_2^2 v_3^2 \) must support a non-trivial \( d_3 \); this follows from the \( S \)-module pairing and the \( d_3 \) supported by \( v_3^2 \) that was proved in Lemma 8.1. Thus we must have

\[
d_3(v_3^3 h_0 v_3^2) = v_3^3 b_1^3 = d_3(v_3^3 h_0 v_3^2)
\]

and the lemma is proven after multiplying both sides by \( b_0^6 \).

\[\square\]

**Lemma 8.15.** In \( E_2(V(1)) \) there is a differential

\[
d_2(\eta_1 g_0 v_3^2 b_0^6) = \eta_1 g_0 k_0 h_0^3 h_1 \cdot k_1 b_0^6.
\]

**Proof.** This lemma follows immediately from the \( S \)-module pairing of Adams spectral sequences. We know \( b_0^6 \eta_1 \) survives to \( E_5(S) \) and we have computed \( d_2(g_0 v_3^2) \) in \( E_2(V(1)) \) as part of Lemma 8.7.

\[\square\]
We have established that every possible target of a differential supported by \( v_2^0 \) is either the target of a shorter differential or the source of a differential. We may conclude that \( v_2^0 \) is a permanent cycle.

9. **Proof that \( v_2^0 \) extends over \( V(1) \)**

In this section we will prove that if \( v_2^0 : S^{144} \rightarrow V(1) \) is a map detected by the element \( v_2^0 \in E_2(V(1)) \), then it extends over \( V(1) \) to a self-map

\[
\tilde{v}_2^0 : \Sigma^{144}V(1) \rightarrow V(1).
\]

Applying Spanier-Whitehead duality, this is equivalent to finding an extension corresponding to the dotted arrow in the diagram below.

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
D(V(1)) \land V(1) & \rightarrow & V(1) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
S^{144} & \rightarrow & V(1) \\
\end{array}
\]

The inclusion of the wedge summand \( Y_1 \) of \( D(V(1)) \land V(1) \) (Proposition 4.1) has the property that the composite

\[
Y_1 \hookrightarrow D(V(1)) \land V(1) \rightarrow V(1)
\]

is just projection onto the top \( V(1) \). It therefore suffices to extend \( v_2^0 \) over the complex \( Y_1 \) as displayed below.

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
Y_1 & \rightarrow & V(1) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
S^{144} & \rightarrow & V(1) \\
\delta & & \\
\downarrow & & \\
\Sigma^{-5}V(1) & & \\
\end{array}
\]

The vertical column forms a cofiber sequence where \( \delta \) is given as the composite

\[
V(1) \xrightarrow{\nu} \Sigma^5V(0) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \Sigma^{-5}V(0) \xrightarrow{\iota} \Sigma^{-5}V(1).
\]

Here, \( \nu \) is projection onto the top \( V(0) \) and \( \iota \) is inclusion of the bottom \( V(0) \). Thus there is a solution to the extension problem if and only if the composite \( \delta \circ v_2^0 = 0 \).

The map \( \delta \) is also given by the composite

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
V(1) & \xrightarrow{\nu} & \Sigma^5V(0) \\
& \xrightarrow{\iota} & \Sigma^5V(1) \\
& & \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \Sigma^{-5}V(1) \\
& & \xrightarrow{\delta'} \\
& & \Sigma^{-5}V(1) \\
\end{array}
\]

Here \( \delta' \) is the geometric \( v_1 \)-Bockstein. In this section we will prove

\[
(9.1) \quad \beta_1 \cdot \delta'(v_2^0) = 0
\]

from which it follows that \( \delta \circ v_2^0 = 0 \), and thus \( v_2^0 \) extends over \( V(1) \).

Since \( v_2^0 \) has Adams filtration 9, \( \delta'(v_2^0) \) has Adams filtration \( \geq 9 \). We may calculate \( \delta' \) in \( \text{Ext} \) using the periodic lambda algebra. We have

\[
d(v_2^0) = v_1^9 \lambda_{27}
\]
thus we have
\[ \overline{X}_1 \xrightarrow{\nu} \overline{X}_0 \xrightarrow{e} \overline{X}_1 \]
\[ v_2^0 \xrightarrow{\eta_1} v_1^0 \lambda_2 \]
and so \( \delta'(v_2^0) = 0 \) viewed as an element of \( E_2(V(1)) \). We may conclude that the Adams filtration of \( \delta'(v_2^0) \) is \( \geq 10 \). Our strategy to prove that \( \beta_1 \cdot \delta'(v_2^0) = 0 \) is to make a list of all of the elements in \( E_0(V(1)) \) in Adams filtration greater than or equal to 10 in the 139-stem. We then will prove that each of these elements is either not a permanent cycle, or is killed by a differential or at least has the property that composition with \( \beta_1 \) is zero. A list of the elements, as well as the lemmas that deal with it, is given below.

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{AF} & \text{Element} & \text{Lemma} \\
26 & h_0 v_2 b_0^1 & 8.4 \\
25 & k_0 h_0 b_0^1 & 8.4 \\
20 & g_0 h_0 v_2^0 b_0^0 & 9.1 \\
19 & b_1 h_0 v_2^0 b_0^0 & 9.4 \\
15 & v_2^0 h_0 b_0^1 & 9.7, 9.8 \\
 & \eta_1 v_2^0 b_0^0 & 9.7, 9.9 \\
 & v_3 h_1 v_2^0 b_0^0 & 9.7, 9.9 \\
14 & \eta_1 k_0 v_2 b_0^0 & 9.7, 9.10 \\
 & v_2^0 k_0 h_0 b_0^1 & 9.7, 9.11 \\
 & v_3 k_0 h_1 b_0^1 & 9.7, 9.10, 9.11 \\
13 & (k_1, h_0, h_0) b_0^0 & 9.12 \\
10 & v_3 h_0 b_0^0 v_2^0 & 9.13 \\
\end{array}
\]

**Lemma 9.1.** If \( x \) is an element of \( E_r(V(1)) \) whose Hurewicz image \( h(x) \in E_r(eo_2 \wedge V(1)) \) supports a non-trivial differential, then \( x \) cannot be a permanent cycle.

**Proof.** This is obvious; \( h \) is a map of spectral sequences. \( \square \)

We shall need the following lemma.

**Lemma 9.2.** There is the following pattern of differentials in the ASS for \( \pi_*(V(1)) \) in the vicinity of the 68-stem.

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Stem 67} & \text{Stem 68} & \text{Stem 69} \\
v_2 b_0^0 h_1 & b_0^0 g_0 & b_0^0 v_2 h_0 \\
b_1 b_0^0 h_0 & b_0^0 v_2^3 k_0 & b_0^0 h_0 k_0 \\
\eta_1 b_0 & b_0 h_0 v_2^3 k_0 & b_0 h_1 v_2^3 \\
v_2^4 h_0 & v_2 k_0^0 & h_0 b_1 v_2^3 \\
\eta_1 h_1 & g_1 h_1 & \\
\end{array}
\]

Here only one of the dotted differentials occurs.

**Remark 9.3.** We will find later (see the proof of Lemma 9.7) that in fact \( \eta_1 h_1 \) must be a permanent cycle, and thus the dotted differential supported on \( b_0 v_2^3 k_0 \) must be the non-trivial one.
Proof. We will first deduce the following portion of the ASS chart for $\pi_*(V(1))$.

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
\text{Stem 56} & \text{Stem 57} & \text{Stem 58} & \text{Stem 59} \\
\begin{array}{c}
b_0^3 v_2 \\
b_0^3 k_0 \\
\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}
b_0^3 h_1 v_2 \\
b_0^2 h_0 \\
\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}
b_0^1 v_0^3 h_0 \\
\eta_1 \\
\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}
v_2 b_1^2 h_0 \\
h_1^2 v_2 \\
\end{array}
\end{array}
\]

The differential on $\eta_1$ follows from the differential in $E_0(S)$. The differential on $b_0 v_2^3$ is a consequence of Lemma 8.1. Since the AHSS calculation (6.1) told us that $\pi_{57}(V(1)) = 0$, we may conclude that one of the dotted differentials (1) exists. Also, we have shown that $\pi_{58}(V(1))$ has rank 1, hence something must kill $b_0^0 h_0$. Both $v_2 b_1^0 h_0$ and $k_0 b_0^2 h_0$ are permanent cycles, so the only candidate to support the dotted differential (2) is $h_1 v_2^3$. Note that this differential is present in the ASS for $e_{o_2} \land V(1)$.

Moving up to the vicinity of the 68-stem of the ASS, the two solid differentials in the statement of the lemma are propagated by $b_0$ multiplication. Our AHSS calculations (6.2) tell us that $\pi_{67}(V(1)) = 0$. Now $v_2 k_0^2$ must be a permanent cycle since $v_2 k_0$ is a permanent cycle for dimensional reasons. Since $v_2 b_1^0 h_1$ must vanish, one of the dotted differentials must occur. We have computed $\pi_{68}(V(1))$ to be of rank 2, so there can be no more differentials originating from the 69 stem. \qed

Lemma 9.4. The element $b_1 h_0 v_2^2 b_0^3 \in E_0(V(1))$ must be zero.

Proof. In Lemma 9.2 we showed that $v_2^3 b_1 h_0 \in E_r(V(1))$ is a permanent cycle. The result then follows from the fact that in $E_7(S)$ there is a relation $b_0^3 = 0$. \qed

We are now in a position to prove the differential promised in Remark 8.2. We will need this differential later in this paper.

Lemma 9.5. In $E_2(V(1))$, there is a non-trivial differential

\[
d_2(v_2 h_0) = k_0 h_1 v_2^2 = b_1 h_0 v_2^2.
\]

Proof. Our AHSS computations (6.3) show that $\pi_{69}(V(1))$ has rank 1. In the proof of Lemma 9.2, we computed all of the Adams differentials in $E_*(V(1))$ supported in the 69 stem. That data is used to compute the following portion of the ASS for $\pi_*(V(1))$.

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
\text{Stem 68} & \text{Stem 69} & \text{Stem 70} \\
\begin{array}{c}
b_0^2 g_0 \\
b_0^3 v_2 \\
b_1 v_0^3 k_0 \\
v_2 k_0^2 \\
\eta_1 h_1 \\
\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}
b_0^2 v_2 h_0 \\
b_0 h_0 k_0 \\
b_0 h_1 v_2^2 \\
h_0 b_1 v_2^2 \\
g_1 h_1 \\
\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}
b_0^2 \\
b_0^0 h_0 v_2^2 \\
b_1 v_2 b_1 \\
h_0 b_0 \eta_1 \\
\end{array}
\end{array}
\]

The differential supported by $b_0^2 g_0 v_2^2$ is a consequence of Lemma 8.7. The differential supported by $b_0^2 v_2 b_1$ is a consequence of the Toda differential on $b_1$ in $E_0(S)$ and
the $S$-module structure of $V(1)$. One more element in the 69 stem must be the target of an Adams differential, and the only possibility is the dotted differential. This is the differential we wanted. 

There is an elaborate pattern of activity in Adams filtration 13-15 in the 139-stem. We would like to understand which elements in this range of filtrations are permanent cycles, and which aren’t, and this is accomplished in Lemma 9.7. As a consequence, certain linear combinations of the possible obstructions to the extension of $v_2^0$ will be eliminated. First we need the following differential.

**Lemma 9.6.** In $E_3(V(1))$, there is a non-trivial differential

$$d_3(v_3 h_1 v_2) = b_0 \eta_1 h_1.$$ 

**Proof.** In Lemma 8.6, we showed that $v_3 h_1$ supports a non-trivial $d_4$ and thus is a $d_3$ cycle. We now apply the product formula (5.1) to deduce the differential on $v_3 h_1 \cdot v_2$. Computer assisted lambda algebra calculations yield the formula

$$v_3 h_1 = -g_1 \in E_2(V(0)).$$

We wish to compute $v_3 h_1$, which is obtained by computing the Bockstein on $g_1$. Now $g_1$ is a $d_1$-cycle when it is considered as an element of $E_1(S^0)$, so we need to compute the Adams differential of $g_1$ in $E_4(S^0)$ to get this Bockstein. We use the main theorem of Bruner ([3, VI.1.1]) to understand the relationship between Steenrod operations in Ext and differentials in the ASS. Using Bruner’s formula, we may compute

$$(9.2) \quad d_2(g_1) = d_2(P^0(g_0)) = v_0 \cdot \beta P^0(g_0) = v_0 \eta_1.$$ 

Here we should point out that our indexing of the Steenrod operations is different from that of Bruner’s, but conforms to the perhaps more common indexing as given in [13]. The element $v_0$ detects the degree $p$ map on spheres. The Steenrod operation $\beta P^0(g_0) \equiv \eta_1$ is computed using the May spectral sequence for $H^*(P_s)$. Specifically, The element $g_0$ is detected by $\pm h_{2,0} h_{1,0}$. On the May $E_2$-term, we compute (using the Cartan formula)

$$\beta P^0(h_{2,0} h_{1,0}) = \beta P^0(h_{2,0}) \cdot P^0(h_{1,0}) - P^0(h_{2,0}) \cdot \beta P^0(h_{1,0}) = b_{2,0} h_{1,1} - h_{2,1} b_{1,0}$$

and $\pm (b_{2,0} h_{1,1} - h_{2,1} b_{1,0})$ detects $\eta_1$.

We conclude from Equation 9.2 that $v_3 h_1 \equiv \eta_1$. We then apply the product formula, keeping in mind that $v_2^2 = h_1$ and $v_2^0 = b_0$, and get

$$d_3(v_3 h_1 \cdot v_2) = -b_0 (\pm \eta_1 h_1 - g_1 b_0) \equiv b_0 \eta_1 h_1.$$ 

\[\square\]
Lemma 9.7. We have the following differentials in the 139 stem of the ASS for \(V(1)\) in Adams filtrations 13-15.

\[
\begin{align*}
    d_3(\eta_1 v_2^2 h_0^5) &= b_0^5 h_1 \eta_1 \\
    d_3(v_3 h_1 b_0^5 v_2) &= b_0^5 h_1 \eta_1 \\
    d_3(v_2 h_0 b_0^5) &= b_0^5 h_1 \eta_1 & \text{or } v_0^5 h_0 \text{ is a permanent cycle} \\
    d_5(v_2^5 k_0 h_0 b_0^5) &= b_0^5 k_0^2 v_2 \\
    d_5(\eta_1 k_0 v_2 b_0^5) &= b_0^5 k_0^2 v_2 \\
    d_5(v_3 k_0 b_0^5 h_1) &= b_0^5 k_0^2 v_2
\end{align*}
\]

An \(F_3\)-basis of permanent cycles in this range of Adams filtration is listed below.

\[
v_2^5 h_0 b_0^4 + a_1(\eta_1 v_2^2 b_0^5) + a_2(v_3 h_1 b_0^5 v_2) \\
\eta_1 v_2^2 b_0^5 \pm v_3 h_1 b_0^5 v_2 \\
v_2^5 k_0 h_0 b_0^5 \pm v_3 k_0 b_0^5 h_1 \\
\eta_1 k_0 v_2 b_0^5 \pm v_3 k_0 b_0^5 h_1 \\
\langle k_1, h_0, h_0 \rangle b_0^5
\]

Here \(a_1\) and \(a_2\) are elements of \(F_3\). We are unable to determine the \(\pm\) signs or the coefficients \(a_i\). A diagram of this portion of the ASS chart is given below for the reader’s convenience.

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<td>(b_0^5 h_1 \eta_1)</td>
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<td>(\langle k_1, h_0, h_0 \rangle b_0^5)</td>
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Proof. The method of proof is to divide these elements by a maximal power of \(b_0\), and then multiply by \(b_0\) successively until all of the elements in question are present in the \(E_2\) term. We begin with the vicinity of the 79 stem. In our AHSS calculations (6.4), we computed \(\pi_{78}(V(1))\) and \(\pi_{79}(V(1))\) modulo one differential which we were unable to determine (this is the dotted differential labeled (1) in (6.4)). We conclude that either \(\pi_{78}(V(1))\) has rank 2 and \(\pi_{79}(V(1))\) has rank 1, or \(\pi_{78}(V(1))\) has rank 1 and \(\pi_{79}(V(1))\) is trivial. We will see shortly however that the latter is the case, i.e. that the dotted differential (1) must exist. We display below
the ASS in the same range.

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<td>$v_2^3b_0^8$</td>
<td>$k_0b_0^8h_0$</td>
<td>$b_0^8g_0v_2^3$</td>
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<td>$b_0^8\eta_1$</td>
<td>$v_2^3k_0b_0^8$</td>
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By comparing with the ASS chart in the vicinity of the 68-stem in the proof of Lemma 9.2, we see that the elements $b_0v_2^4k_0^8$, $v_2^3b_0^8h_0$, $k_0b_0^8h_0$, and $b_1v_2^4b_0^8h_0$ are permanent cycles, and the elements $v_2^3b_0^8$ and $v_2^4b_0^8h_1$ support the indicated differentials. The differential on $v_3h_1v_2$ was the subject of Lemma 9.6. In Lemma 9.2, we were unable to determine whether $v_2^3b_0^8h_1$ was killed by $b_0v_2^4k_0$ or $\eta_1h_1$. Since $\eta_1h_1b_0$ is the target of a differential, this ambiguity is now resolved: $d_4(v_2^3k_0b_0^8) = v_2^3b_0^8h_1$. The differential supported by $b_0^8\eta_1v_2^4$ was established in Lemma 8.7. The differential supported by $b_0^8v_2^4b_1$ follows from the Toda differential on $b_1$ in $E_\infty(S^0)$. The differentials supported by $b_0v_3g_0$ and $v_2^5$ were proven in Lemmas 9.5 and 8.1, respectively. There is nothing remaining in stem 79, so we conclude that $\pi_7(V(1))$ is trivial. Therefore the dotted differential (1) exists in the AHSS chart (6.4). The AHSS chart now tells us that $\pi_7(V(1))$ is of rank 1, and the only way for the ASS to produce the same answer is for there to exist the dotted differential (2) since neither $b_0^8\eta_1$ nor $v_2^4h_0b_0$ are permanent cycles.

We now multiply everything by $b_0$ and move into the vicinity of the 89 stem. The ASS chart is displayed below.

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<td>$b_0^8h_1\eta_1$</td>
<td>$v_2^3\eta_1$</td>
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<tr>
<td>$v_3h_2$</td>
<td>$v_3k_0b_0$</td>
<td>$b_0v_2^3h_1$</td>
<td>$v_2^5b_0$</td>
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<td>$h_1v_3k_0$</td>
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<td>$v_4^2g_1$</td>
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<td>$v_3h_2h_0$</td>
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All of the indicated differentials follow from our computations near the 79 stem except for the one supported by $h_1v_3k_0$. For that we consider the image under
projection onto the top cell of $V(1)$. We saw in the proof of Lemma 9.6 that $v_2 h_1 = \eta_1$. We have

$$d(v_2 h_1 k_0) = d(v_3 h_1 k_0) = d(\eta_1 k_0) = k_0^2 b_0^3 = b_0^3 v_2 k_0^2.$$ 

This can only happen if $d_2(v_3 h_1 k_0) = k_0^2 b_0^3 v_2$. Our AHSS calculations (6.5) tell us that $\pi_{89}(V(1))$ is of rank 2, so there can be no more differentials originating from the 90 stem.

We now multiply once more by $b_0$ and arrive in the crucial region around the 99 stem. Our AHSS computations (6.6) tell us that the rank of $\pi_{98}(V(1))$ is 3 and the rank of $\pi_{99}(V(1))$ is 4. We turn now to the ASS.

Aside from the differentials supported by (possibly) $g_0 v_2^5$, $h_0 v_2^5$, and $v_2 \eta_1 k_0$, all of the differentials displayed follow from our calculations near the 89 stem. If we had only the differentials arising from $b_0$ multiplication on elements in the vicinity of the 89 stem, we would have created groups of the correct rank in the 98 and 99 stem as predicted from the AHSS. Therefore any additional differentials must preserve the rank of the $E_\infty$ term. We easily see that $d_5(v_2 \eta_1 k_0) = b_0^3 k_0^2 v_2$ from the differential on $\eta_1$ and the S-module structure of $V(1)$.

The problem is that $h_0 v_2^5$ could support a $d_4$ killing $b_0^3 k_0^2 v_2$, and this would make both $v_2 \eta_1 k_0$ and $b_0 h_1 v_3 k_0$ into permanent cycles. We claim that this cannot happen. For suppose that $d_4(h_0 v_2^5) = b_0^3 k_0^2 v_2$. Then there is no linear combination of elements containing $h_0 v_2^5$ which is a permanent cycle. Our AHSS calculation indicates there is some element in $\pi_{99}(V(1))$ such that its image in $\pi_{93}(S)$ under projection onto the top cell of $V(1)$ is $b_0 \alpha_1$. The only element which can account for this is $h_0 v_2^5$. Therefore, if $h_0 v_2^5$ is not a permanent cycle, it must support a $d_3$ killing $b_0^3 h_1 \eta_1$. This possibility is indicated by the dashed differential (4).

Also, we cannot eliminate the possibility that $d_5(g_0 v_2^5) = b_0^3 k_0^2 v_2 k_0$, since $g_0 v_2^5$ is in the same Adams filtration as $b_0^3 v_2 k_0$. This possibility is indicated with the dashed differential (3). Upon taking the pattern of differentials supported by the 99 stem
and multiplying by $b_0^4$, we get the promised pattern of differentials supported in the 139 stem. 

**Lemma 9.8.** Choose the correct coefficients $a_i \in \mathbb{F}_3$ so that $v_3^0 h_0 b_0^4 + a_1(\eta_1 v_2^2 b_0) + a_2(v_3 h_1 b_0^6 v_2)$ is a permanent cycle. The composite of any element that this permanent cycle detects with $\beta_1$ must be null.

**Proof.** The element $v_3^0 h_0 + a_1(\eta_1 v_2^2 b_0) + a_2(v_3 h_1 b_0^6 v_2)$ is a permanent cycle by Lemma 9.7. Now apply Corollary 7.2. Comparing with the elements present in the 149 stem of $E_2(V(1))$ we see that there is no possibility of a hidden $\beta_1$ extension. 

**Lemma 9.9.** Choose the correct sign so that $\eta_1 v_2^2 b_0^4 \pm v_3 h_1 b_0^6 v_2$ is a permanent cycle. This element must be the target of a differential.

**Proof.** The element $\eta_1 v_2^2 \pm v_3 h_1 b_0$ is a permanent cycle (Lemma 9.7). Now apply Corollary 7.2. 

**Lemma 9.10.** Choose the correct sign so that $\eta_1 v_3 h_0 b_0^3 \pm v_3 k_0 b_0^6 h_1$ is a permanent cycle. The composite of any element that this permanent cycle detects with $\beta_1$ must be null.

**Proof.** Again, apply Corollary 7.2. Comparing with the elements present in the 149 stem of $E_2(V(1))$ we see that there is no possibility of a hidden $\beta_1$ extension.

**Lemma 9.11.** Choose the correct sign so that $v_3^0 k_0 h_0 b_0^3 \pm v_3 k_0 b_0^6 h_1$ is a permanent cycle. This element must be the target of a differential.

**Proof.** In Lemma 9.5, it was established that $v_3^0 \pm v_3 g_0 b_0$ was a permanent cycle, therefore the element

$$h_0 \cdot (v_3^0 \pm v_3 g_0 b_0) = h_0 v_3^0 \pm v_3 h_1 b_0^2$$

is a permanent cycle. Now $d_5(\eta_1) = k_0 b_0^6$ in the ASS for $\pi_*(S)$. Using the $S$-module structure of $V(1)$, we deduce that there is a differential

$$d_5(\eta_1 \cdot (h_0 v_3^0 \pm v_3 h_1 b_0^2)) = v_3^0 k_0 h_0 b_0^3 \pm v_3 k_0 b_0^6 h_1.$$ 

Note that $v_3^0 k_0 h_0 b_0^3 \pm v_3 k_0 b_0^6 h_1$ might be the target of a shorter differential, in which case the conclusion of the lemma is still satisfied. 

**Lemma 9.12.** The element $\langle k_1, h_0, h_0 \rangle b_0^6$ must be the target of a differential.

**Proof.** This follows immediately from Corollary 7.2 and the fact that $\langle k_1, h_0, h_0 \rangle$ is a permanent cycle (Lemma 9.7).

**Lemma 9.13.** In $E_2(V(1))$ there is a non-trivial differential

$$d_2(v_3 h_0 b_0^2 v_2) = v_3^0 h_0 k_0 h_0^3.$$ 

**Proof.** In Lemma 8.11, we showed that $d_2(v_3 h_0 b_0) = 0$. In Lemma 8.1, we showed that $d_2(v_3^0) = -b_0 k_0 h_1 v_2 = -b_0 b_1 h_0 v_2$. 

Computer assisted lambda algebra computations reveal that in $E_2$, we have

$$v_3 h_0 b_0 = -h_0 \eta_1$$

$$v_3 h_0 b_0 = 0$$
We also have \( \overline{v_2} = h_1 v_2 \) and \( \overline{v_3} = 0 \) in \( E_2 \). We will now use the product rule (5.1) to compute the differential on \( (v_3 h_0 b_0) \cdot v_2 \). The term

\[
G(v_3 h_0 b_0, v_2) = v_3 h_0 b_0 \cdot \overline{v_2} - v_3 h_0 b_0 \cdot v_2^3
\]

is trivial in \( E_2 \) because \( \overline{v_2} \) and \( v_3 h_0 b_0 \) are trivial in \( E_2 \). The following manipulations are made possible with the hidden extension \( h_0 \cdot (v_3 h_0 b_0) = b_0 g_0 v_2 \).

\[
d_2((v_3 h_0 b_0) \cdot v_2^3) = (v_3 h_0 b_0) \cdot (b_0 b_1 h_0 v_2)
\]

\[
= b_0^2 g_0 b_0 v_2^2
\]

\[
= v_2^3 h_0 \eta_1 h_0 b_0
\]

Now multiply by \( b_0 \).

\[\square\]

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