

THE TOPOLOGICAL MODULAR FORMS OF $\mathbb{R}P^2$ AND $\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2$

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we study the elliptic spectral sequence computing $tmf_*(\mathbb{R}P^2)$ and $tmf_*(\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2)$. Specifically, we compute all differentials and resolve exotic extensions by 2, η , and ν . For $tmf_*(\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2)$, we also compute the effect of the v_1 -self maps of $\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2$ on tmf -homology.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Motivation. Topological modular forms (tmf) are ubiquitous in algebraic topology and homotopy theory. The goal of this paper is to compute the tmf -homology of two spaces, namely $\mathbb{R}P^2$ and $\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2$, and to determine the differentials and extensions in their elliptic spectral sequences.

We approach this problem from the point of view of stable homotopy theory. As is common, we let $V(0)$ denote the cofiber of multiplication by 2 on the sphere spectrum. Then

$$V(0) \simeq \Sigma^{-1}\Sigma^\infty \mathbb{R}P^2$$

and, via the suspension isomorphism, computing $tmf_*V(0) \cong \pi_*tmf \wedge V(0)$ is equivalent to computing the tmf -homology of $\mathbb{R}P^2$. Similarly, let Y be the smash product of $V(0)$ with C_η , the cofiber of the stable Hopf map η . Then

$$Y \simeq \Sigma^{-3}\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2$$

and computing tmf_*Y is equivalent to computing the tmf -homology of $\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2$. In this paper, we compute the elliptic spectral sequence for both $tmf \wedge V(0)$ and $tmf \wedge Y$. From this computation, we deduce $tmf_*V(0)$ and tmf_*Y and provide

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information about their module structure over tmf_* . In particular, we resolve all exotic $2, \eta, \nu$ extensions as well as compute the effect of v_1 -self maps of Y on tmf_*Y . Note that determining the tmf_* -module structure is much less straightforward than a simple degree-wise computation of $tmf_*V(0)$ or tmf_*Y .

Knowing the homology of basic spaces is part of a full understanding of any generalized homology theory. So we see these computations as having independent and fundamental interest. They are, at the very least, an addition to the slim bank of examples of computations in tmf -homology theory of spaces and finite spectra.

However, our motivation for doing this runs deeper and this computation is part of a more ambitious program, coming from chromatic homotopy theory. Specifically, our main goal in doing this computation is not just to understand the structure of $tmf_*V(0)$ and tmf_*Y as tmf_* -modules, but more-so *to fully compute their elliptic spectral sequences*. To explain this, we let $K(2)$ denote the Morava K -theory spectrum and E_2 the Lubin-Tate spectrum (also often called Morava E -theory).

In the sequence of papers [GHM04, GHMR05, HKM13, GHMR15, GH16, GHM14, Hen07], Goerss, Henn, Karamanov, Mahowald and Rezk carry out a program for studying $K(2)$ -local homotopy theory at $p = 3$ using the theory of *finite resolutions*. These are sequences of spectra built from the $K(2)$ -localization of tmf (and tmf with level structures) that resolve the $K(2)$ -local sphere. Finite resolutions give rise to Bousfield-Kan spectral sequences. Let us call these *finite resolution spectral sequences*. The input is $K(2)$ -local tmf -homology, possibly with level structures, and the output is $K(2)$ -local homotopy groups. The ultimate goal is to use finite resolutions to compute $\pi_*L_{K(2)}S^0$, but an intermediate step is the computations of the homotopy groups of $L_{K(2)}F$ for some key finite spectra F , such as the prime 3 Moore spectrum $V(0)$ [HKM13] and the cofiber of its v_1 -self map, commonly denoted $V(1)$ [GHM04]. So, to use the finite resolution approach to $K(2)$ -local homotopy, a key input is $\pi_*L_{K(2)}(tmf \wedge F)$. This can be computed via the $K(2)$ -local E_2 -based Adams-Novikov spectral sequence (which can also be cast as a homotopy fixed point spectral sequence). This spectral sequence receives a map from the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge F$. Understanding the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge F$ thus provides key input for $K(2)$ -local computations.

Recently, there have been significant advancements towards carrying out an analogous program at the prime $p = 2$. See [Bea15, Bea17, BG18, BGH17]. But the program is still in progress. For example, the only complete computation of the $K(2)$ -local homotopy groups of a finite spectrum at $p = 2$ is the computation of $\pi_*L_{K(2)}Z$ for $Z \in \mathcal{Z}$, where \mathcal{Z} is the class of Bhattacharya-Egger spectra admitting a v_2 -self map. See [BE20a, BE20b] and also [BBB⁺19]. The motivation for this project is to add to this bank of computations, namely, to study $L_{K(2)}V(0)$, $L_{K(2)}Y$, but also $L_{K(2)}A_1$ where A_1 is the cofiber of a v_1 -self map of Y . For this, we found the need to understand the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge V(0)$, $tmf \wedge Y$ and $tmf \wedge A_1$. In [Pha18], the third author computes a $K(2)$ -local E_2 -based Adams-Novikov spectral sequence converging to $\pi_*L_{K(2)}(tmf \wedge A_1)$. From this computation, one can deduce that of the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge A_1$.

Here, we study instead the elliptic spectral sequences of $tmf \wedge V(0)$ and $tmf \wedge Y$. For F either $V(0)$ or Y , $tmf_*F = 0$ for $* < 0$ and tmf_*F is determined by its values in the range $0 \leq * < 192$. In this paper, we obtain the following result, where the definition of what we mean by *exotic extensions* is given in [Definition 2.18](#).

Theorem 1.1. *The elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$ is depicted in Figures 4, 5, 6 and 7. The tmf -homology of $V(0) \simeq \Sigma^{-1}\Sigma^\infty \mathbb{R}P^2$, namely*

$$tmf_* V(0) \cong \widetilde{tmf}_{*+1} \mathbb{R}P^2,$$

together with **all exotic** $2, \eta$ and ν **extensions** in the corresponding elliptic spectral sequence is as displayed in Figures 8 and 9 in degrees $0 \leq * < 192$.

Similarly, the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$ is depicted in Figures 14, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 20. The tmf -homology of $Y \simeq \Sigma^{-3}\Sigma^\infty \mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2$, namely

$$tmf_* Y \cong \widetilde{tmf}_{*+3} \mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2,$$

together with **all exotic** $2, \eta$ and ν **extensions and almost all exotic** v_1 -**extensions** in the corresponding elliptic spectral sequence is as displayed in Figures 21 and 22 in degrees $0 \leq * < 192$. In particular,

$$2(\widetilde{tmf}_*(\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2)) = 0.$$

Remark 1.2. Computing exotic extensions in this sense of Definition 2.18 can (and does in some places here) leave ambiguity about the module structure. However, this definition of exotic extensions, which we borrowed from [IWX20], is very standard in these kinds of large spectral sequence computations.

1.2. Methods and comparison with existing work. To say a few words about our techniques, the major input in our computation is the elliptic spectral sequence of tmf , which was first computed by Hopkins and Mahowald [DFHH14, Ch. 15], and later by Bauer [Bau08]. The computation of the spectral sequence for $tmf_* V(0)$ is straightforward given that data, while that of $tmf_* Y$ is more intricate. The technique we use for the latter relies on an observation of the third author from [Pha18]. For both $V(0)$ and Y , computation of the exotic extensions requires work and new input. Several techniques are used to achieve this, and the most interesting among these is probably the Brown–Comenetz “self-duality” of $tmf_* V(0)$ and $tmf_* Y$. See Theorem 2.5.

In [BR] (soon to be published), Bruner and Rognes do a thorough investigation of tmf . A main tool used in [BR] to answer computational questions about tmf and its modules is the *classical Adams spectral sequence*. (Note that the study of the classical Adams spectral sequence of tmf probably goes back to Hopkins and Mahowald, and later to Henriques in [DFHH14, Chapter 13].) Among many other topics, including duality for topological modular forms which is relevant for our approaches, they study the classical Adams spectral sequence of tmf smashed with many finite spectra, including a study of tmf smashed with $V(0)$. In particular, they also compute $tmf_* V(0)$, determining all but a few $2, \eta, \nu$ -multiplications as well as v_1^4 -multiplications. Here, we deliberately use the word *multiplication* in contrast to the word *extension* discussed above to emphasize that Bruner–Rognes name all classes, which leads them to a more precise determination of multiplicative relations. Recently, Bruner and Rognes shared their charts and an advanced copy of some of the chapters of their forthcoming book with us. However, our results were obtained independently from theirs and via different methods. So the two approaches complement one another. We also use a few results on the classical Adams spectral sequence of tmf_* which we verified against both [DFHH14, Chapter 13] and [BR, Chapters 5,9]. Furthermore, [BR, Chapter 10] is a direct reference of Theorem 2.5, which is used extensively in this paper.

Finally, we reiterate that for our applications, namely, as an input in the finite resolution approach to $K(2)$ -local homotopy theory, it is important to understand specifically the elliptic spectral sequence instead of the classical Adams spectral sequence because of its close relationship to the homotopy fixed point spectral sequence, a key tool in chromatic homotopy theory (see the discussion above).

1.3. Organization of the paper. In [Section 2](#), we discuss the elliptic spectral sequences and other key tools used later in the paper. In [Section 3](#), we review the computation of the E_2 -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$. In [Section 4](#) we compute the differentials and some exotic extensions. In [Section 5](#) we turn to the computation of the E_2 -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$ and in [Section 6](#) we compute the differentials and exotic extensions.

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2. BACKGROUND

In this section, we review some of the key tools that will be used in the paper.

2.1. The elliptic spectral sequence. We begin with the elliptic spectral sequence. Let

$$(A, \Lambda) = (\mathbb{Z}[a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_6], \mathbb{Z}[a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_6, s, r, t])$$

with

$$|a_i| = 2i, |r| = 4, |s| = 2, |t| = 6$$

be the Hopf algebroid of Weierstrass elliptic curves. Then the elliptic spectral sequence has the form [[Bau08](#)]

$$E_2^{s,t-s} = \text{Ext}_{\Lambda}^{s,t}(A, A) \implies \pi_{t-s} tmf.$$

Consider the map

$$\Omega SU(4) \rightarrow \Omega SU \simeq BU$$

induced by the usual inclusion $SU(4) \rightarrow SU$. Let $X(4)$ be the Thom spectrum of the associated virtual vector bundle over $\Omega SU(4)$. These spectra play a crucial role in the study of nilpotence and periodicity in chromatic homotopy theory, in

particular, in the work of Ravenel [Rav87]. As outlined in [DFHH14, Ch. 9], the elliptic spectral sequence is the $X(4)$ -based Adams spectral sequence for tmf . See also [Rez].

Let us spell this out. We let $R = tmf$ and $E = tmf \wedge X(4)$. Then

$$E \wedge_R E \simeq tmf \wedge X(4) \wedge X(4).$$

Let \overline{E} be the fiber of the unit map $R \rightarrow E$. For any tmf -module M , one can construct the Adams tower

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} M & \longleftarrow & \overline{E} \wedge_R M & \longleftarrow & \overline{E} \wedge_R \overline{E} \wedge_R M & \longleftarrow & \dots \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ E \wedge_R M & \xrightarrow{\quad} & E \wedge_R \overline{E} \wedge_R M & \xrightarrow{\quad} & E \wedge_R \overline{E} \wedge_R \overline{E} \wedge_R M & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \dots \end{array}$$

by splicing together the cofiber sequences

$$\overline{E}^{\wedge_R(n+1)} \wedge_R M \rightarrow \overline{E}^{\wedge_R n} \wedge_R M \rightarrow E \wedge_R \overline{E}^{\wedge_R n} \wedge_R M.$$

We abbreviate

$$\begin{aligned} X_k &:= \overline{E}^{\wedge_R k} \wedge_R M \simeq \overline{X(4)}^{\wedge k} \wedge M, \\ I_k &:= E \wedge_R \overline{E}^{\wedge_R k} \wedge_R M \simeq X(4) \wedge \overline{X(4)}^{\wedge k} \wedge M \end{aligned}$$

where $\overline{X(4)}$ is the fiber of the unit map $S^0 \rightarrow X(4)$. As a consequence, the associated spectral sequence is identified with the $X(4)$ -based Adams spectral sequence for M .

However, we have that the Hopf algebroid

$$(\pi_*(E), \pi_*(E \wedge_R E)) = (\pi_*(tmf \wedge X(4)), \pi_*(tmf \wedge X(4) \wedge X(4)))$$

is isomorphic to (A, Λ) . In particular, it is flat. Therefore, the E_2 -term of the associated spectral sequence is identified with

$$E_2^{s,t}(M) \cong \text{Ext}_\Lambda^{s,t}(A, \pi_*(E \wedge_R M)).$$

See [BL01]. When $M = tmf$, this is precisely the elliptic spectral sequence, and more generally, this is the elliptic spectral sequence for the tmf -module M .

According to Bousfield [Bou79, Theorem 6.5], since $X(4)$ is connected and $\pi_0(X(4)) \cong \mathbb{Z}$, if M is connective, then $L_{X(4)}M \simeq M$ and the spectral sequence converges to $\pi_*(M)$. In particular, if F is a finite spectrum, then the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge F$ reads as

$$E_2^{s,t-s} = \text{Ext}_\Lambda^{s,t}(A, \pi_*(tmf \wedge X(4) \wedge F)) \implies \pi_{t-s}(tmf \wedge F).$$

To simplify the notation, we put

$$\mathcal{F}_*(F) := \pi_*(tmf \wedge X(4) \wedge F)$$

noting that this is a Λ -comodule.

2.2. (co)Truncated spectral sequences. We will use the (co-)truncation of the spectral sequence associated to a tower of cofibrations. We will recall the constructions and their basic properties. Let

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} X_0 & \longleftarrow & X_1 & \longleftarrow & X_2 & \longleftarrow & X_3 & \longleftarrow & \cdots & \longleftarrow & X_{n-1} & \longleftarrow & X_n & \longleftarrow & \cdots \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & & & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ I_0 & & I_1 & & I_2 & & I_3 & & & & I_{n-1} & & & & \end{array}$$

be a tower of cofibrations of spectra. Let $(E_r^{*,*}, d_r)_{r \geq 1}$ be the associated spectral sequence.

Let X_i/X_n be the cofiber of the evident map $X_n \rightarrow X_i$. For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there is a tower of fibrations, which we call the *n-truncated tower*:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} X_0/X_n & \longleftarrow & X_1/X_n & \longleftarrow & X_2/X_n & \longleftarrow & \cdots & \longleftarrow & X_{n-1}/X_n & \longleftarrow & \text{pt} \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & & & \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ I_0 & & I_1 & & I_2 & & & & I_{n-1} & & \end{array}$$

We denote the terms of the resulting spectral sequence by $E_{r,<n}^{s,t}$. This spectral sequence computes the homotopy groups of

$$\text{sk}_{n-1} X_0 := X_0/X_n.$$

There is a natural map from the original tower to the *n*-truncated tower. Let

$$T_r^{s,t} : E_r^{s,t} \rightarrow E_{r,<n}^{s,t}$$

be the induced map between the respective E_r -terms. Then $E_{2,<n}^{s,t} = 0$ for $s \geq n$, while $T_2^{s,t}$ is an isomorphism if $s < n - 1$ and an injection if $s = n - 1$. More generally, we have:

Lemma 2.1. *For every $r \geq 2$, the map $T_r^{s,t}$ has the following properties:*

- (i) $T_r^{s,t}$ is injective for $s \leq n - 1$, and
- (ii) $T_r^{s,t}$ is bijective for $s \leq n - 1 - (r - 1)$.

Proof. We prove this by induction on the r . From the above discussion, (i) and (ii) hold for $r = 2$. Suppose both hold for some $r \geq 2$.

We prove that (i) holds at E_{r+1} . Let $[x] \in E_{r+1}^{s,t}$ be represented by an element $x \in E_r^{s,t}$ such that $s \leq n - 1$ and $T_{r+1}^{s,t}([x]) = 0$. So $T_r^{s,t}(x)$ is the target of a d_r -differential. That is, there exists $y \in E_{r,<n}^{s-r,t-r-1}$ such that $d_r(y) = T_r^{s,t}(x)$. Since $s - r \leq n - r$, $T_r^{s-r,*}$ is bijective by the induction hypothesis. It follows that there exists $\bar{y} \in E_r^{s-r,t-r-1}$ such that $T_r^{s-r,t-r-1}(\bar{y}) = y$. So, by naturality and the hypothesis that $T_r^{s,t}$ is injective, $d_r(\bar{y}) = x$. This means that $[x] = 0$, and hence $T_{r+1}^{s,t}$ is injective when $s \geq n - 1$.

Now, we prove that (ii) holds at E_{r+1} . Let $[x] \in E_{r+1,<n}^{s,t}$ with $s \leq n - r - 1$. We need to show that $[x]$ is in the image of $T_{r+1}^{s,t}$. By the induction hypothesis, there is a class $\bar{x} \in E_r^{s,t}$ such that $T_r^{s,t}(\bar{x}) = x$. It suffices to prove that \bar{x} is a d_r -cycle. By naturality,

$$T_r^{s+r,t+r-1}(d_r(\bar{x})) = d_r(T_r^{s,t}(\bar{x})) = d_r(x) = 0.$$

Since $d_r(x) \in E_{r,<n}^{s+r,t+r-1}$ and $s+r \leq n-1$, the induction hypothesis implies that $d_r(\bar{x}) = 0$. \square

Next, we look at the co-truncated spectral sequence. Consider the following tower of fibrations, which we call the *n-co-truncated tower*,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} Y_0 & \xleftarrow{\text{id}} & Y_1 & \xleftarrow{\text{id}} & \cdots & \xleftarrow{\text{id}} & Y_n = X_n \\ \downarrow & \nearrow \swarrow & \downarrow & \nearrow \swarrow & & & \downarrow \\ J_0 & & J_1 & & & & J_n = I_n \\ & & & & & & \downarrow \\ & & & & & & I_{n+1} \\ & & & & & & \downarrow \\ & & & & & & I_{n+2} \end{array}$$

where $Y_0 = \dots = Y_n = X_n$ and $J_0 = \dots = J_{n-1} = pt$. We denote by $E_{r,\geq n}^{s,t}$ the r -term of the spectral sequence associated to this tower. There is an obvious map from the n -co-truncated tower to the original one. This map induces a map of spectral sequences:

$$cT_r^{s,t}: E_{r,\geq n}^{s,t} \rightarrow E_r^{s,t}.$$

We observe that $E_{r,\geq n}^{s,t} = 0$ for $s < n$, and that $cT_2^{s,*}$ is a bijection for $s \geq n+1$ and a surjection for $s = n$. The following lemma is proved as in [Lemma 2.1](#).

Lemma 2.2. *For every $r \geq 2$, the map $cT_r^{s,t}$ has the following properties:*

- (i) $cT_r^{s,t}$ is surjective for $s \geq n$, and
- (ii) $cT_r^{s,t}$ is bijective for $s \geq n+r-1$.

We will be applying this technology to 2-local spectra. As described in [\[Bau08, Section 7\]](#), one can simplify the computation of the cohomology of the Weierstrass Hopf algebroid

$$(A_{(2)}, \Lambda_{(2)}) \cong (A \otimes \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}, \Lambda \otimes \mathbb{Z}_{(2)})$$

as follows. Let A' denote $\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}[a_1, a_3]$ and $f: A \rightarrow A'$ the evident projection. Let Λ' denote $A' \otimes_A \Lambda \otimes_A A'$, which is isomorphic to $A'[s, t]/\sim$, where the relations \sim are generated by

$$\begin{aligned} s^4 - 6st + a_1s^3 - 3a_1t - 3a_3s &= 0 \\ s^6 - 27t^2 + 3a_1s^5 - 9a_1s^2t + 3a_1^2s^4 - 9a_1^2st + a_1^3s^3 - 27a_3t &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The map between Hopf algebroids

$$f: (A_{(2)}, \Lambda_{(2)}) \rightarrow (A', \Lambda')$$

induces an equivalence of the associated categories of comodules [\[Bau08, Sections 2 & 7\]](#), where

$$N \mapsto A' \otimes_{A_{(2)}} N$$

for an $(A_{(2)}, \Lambda_{(2)})$ -comodule N . When F is the 2-localization of a finite spectrum, the E_2 -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for

$$tmf \wedge F \simeq tmf_{(2)} \wedge F$$

is isomorphic to

$$E_2^{s,t}(tmf \wedge F) \cong \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{s,t}(A', A' \otimes_A \mathcal{F}_*(F)).$$

Remark 2.3. The spectrum $tmf \wedge X(4)$ is a complex oriented ring spectrum (e.g., $A = \pi_*(tmf \wedge X(4))$ is concentrated in even degrees). Let us denote by

$$H: MU \rightarrow tmf \wedge X(4)$$

the map of ring spectra inducing the complex orientation of $tmf \wedge X(4)$ given by the completion of the universal Weierstrass curve at the origin. Then H induces a homomorphism of Hopf algebroids

$$H_*: (MU_*, MU_* MU) \rightarrow ((tmf \wedge X(4))_*, (tmf \wedge X(4) \wedge X(4))_*) = (A, \Lambda).$$

Recall that $MU_* \cong \mathbb{Z}[x_1, x_2, \dots]$ with $|x_i| = 2i$ and $MU_* MU \cong MU_*[m_1, m_2, \dots]$ with $|m_i| = 2i$. We note that $H_*(x_1) = \pm a_1$. This is discussed in [Bau08, (3.2)].

For any finite spectrum F , H also induces a map from the Adams–Novikov spectral sequence for $\pi_*(F)$ to the elliptic spectral sequence for $\pi_*(tmf \wedge F)$, which converges to the Hurewitz map $h: \pi_*(F) \rightarrow \pi_*(tmf \wedge F)$. Moreover, the induced map at the E_2 is induced by H_* .

2.3. Duality. In this section, we discuss Brown–Comenetz duality for tmf . This will be used for determining some of the exotic extensions in our spectral sequences. First, we introduce the following notation.

Notation 2.4. Let A be a graded module over a graded commutative ring S and $x \in S$. We let $\Sigma^r A$ be the module determined by $(\Sigma^r A)_t = A_{t-r}$. We denote by $\Gamma_x A$ the x -power torsion of A , i.e.,

$$\Gamma_x A = \{m \in A \mid x^i m = 0, i \gg 0\},$$

and by $A/(x^\infty)$ the module that fits into the exact sequence of S -modules

$$A \rightarrow A \left[\frac{1}{x} \right] \rightarrow A/(x^\infty) \rightarrow 0.$$

We will also denote by A^\vee the Pontryagin dual A , i.e.,

$$(A^\vee)_* = \text{Hom}((A)_{-*}, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$$

with the S -module structure given by $(r.f)(m) = (-1)^{|r||f|} f(rm)$ for every $r \in S_{|r|}$, $f \in (A^\vee)_{|f|}$ and $m \in A_{|m|}$.

Now suppose that R is a commutative ring spectrum (e.g., $R = tmf$) and M is a R -module. For any $x \in \pi_*(R)$, we define $M \left[\frac{1}{x} \right]$ to be

$$M \left[\frac{1}{x} \right] = \text{hocolim}(M \xrightarrow{x} \Sigma^{-|x|} M \xrightarrow{x} \Sigma^{-2|x|} M \xrightarrow{x} \dots).$$

We define $M/(x^\infty)$ to be the cofiber of the natural map $M \rightarrow M \left[\frac{1}{x} \right]$. Inductively, if (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) is a sequence of elements of $\pi_* R$, then we define

$$M/(x_1^\infty, x_2^\infty, \dots, x_n^\infty) = (M/(x_1^\infty, x_2^\infty, \dots, x_{n-1}^\infty))/(x_n^\infty).$$

With this notation, using the long exact sequence on homotopy groups, we see that the cofiber sequence

$$M \rightarrow M \left[\frac{1}{x} \right] \rightarrow M/(x^\infty)$$

gives rise to the short exact sequence of $\pi_*(R)$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_*(M)/(x^\infty) \rightarrow \pi_*(M/(x^\infty)) \rightarrow \Gamma_x(\pi_{*-1}(M)) \rightarrow 0.$$

Let $I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}$ be the spectrum representing the Pontryagin dual of stable homotopy groups, so that for a spectrum X ,

$$I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}^q(X) := \text{Hom}(\pi_q X, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}).$$

Then the the Brown-Comenetz dual of a spectrum X is defined to be

$$I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(X) = F(X, I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}).$$

The literature contains a variety of references and methods for studying dualities of tmf and related spectra. To name a few, we note work of Mahowald–Rezk [MR99], of Stojanoska [Sto12, Sto14] and of Greenlees [Gre16]. While the identification of $I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(tmf)$ is known to experts, there is no direct reference in the literature. (The work of Greenlees and Stojanoska [GS18] describes the relationship between various forms of duality, but this work does not directly apply to tmf .) Upcoming work of Bruner–Rognes [BR, Chapter 10] and Bobkova–Stojanoska will soon fill this gap and provide a reference for the following result.

Theorem 2.5. *There is an equivalence of tmf -modules*

$$I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(tmf/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty)) \simeq \Sigma^{20} tmf.$$

Remark 2.6. Here and below, “ $-/\Delta^\infty$ ”, we really mean $-/(\Delta^8)^\infty$ as Δ is an element of the E_2 -term of the elliptic spectral sequence but it does not survive to the E_∞ -term. However, Δ^8 survives and detects a class in $\pi_{192} tmf$. Note also that the class $c_4 \in \pi_8 tmf$ reduces to $v_1^4 \in tmf \wedge V(0)$ and so c_4 -power torsion is the same as v_1 -power torsion when the latter makes sense.

Corollary 2.7. *There are equivalences of tmf -modules*

- (1) $I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(tmf \wedge V(0)/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty)) \simeq \Sigma^{19} tmf \wedge V(0)$, and
- (2) $I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(tmf \wedge Y/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty)) \simeq \Sigma^{17} tmf \wedge Y$.

In the proof of the result below, we use the following lemma.

Lemma 2.8. *For $\mathcal{X} = tmf \wedge V(0)$ or $tmf \wedge Y$ and $a \in \pi_* \mathcal{X}$, $c_4 a$ is divisible by Δ^8 if and only if a is divisible by Δ^8 .*

Remark 2.9. The proof makes use of the structure of the E_∞ -terms of the elliptic spectral sequences as a module over $\mathbb{F}_2[c_4, \Delta^8]$. So this is a bit premature but we want to have this result here to gather all our techniques in one place. We note that the logic of the argument is not circular as the determination of the E_∞ -terms do not require this lemma.

Proof. Let \mathcal{X} be $tmf \wedge V(0)$. The homotopy groups of \mathcal{X} decompose as

$$0 \rightarrow T_{c_4} \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{X} \rightarrow F_{c_4} \rightarrow 0$$

Here, T_{c_4} is the subgroup of c_4 -torsion elements, and $F_{c_4} = \pi_*(\mathcal{X})/T_{c_4}$. By the calculation of the E_∞ -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for \mathcal{X} , multiplication by Δ^8 induces a bijective endomorphism of T_{c_4} in every stem and an injective endomorphism of F_{c_4} . Furthermore, there are no non-trivial c_4 -torsion elements in the stems between 176 and 191, and hence T_{c_4} satisfies the conclusion of the lemma. Any element that maps non-trivially to F_{c_4} is detected in filtrations less than or equal to 2 of the E_∞ -term of the elliptic spectral sequence. This part of the E_∞ -term is free as a module over $\mathbb{F}_2[v_1^4, \Delta^8]$, and hence satisfies the conclusion of

the lemma. (Note that in the elliptic spectral sequence c_4 is detected by v_1^4 .) Now, suppose we have $a \in \pi_*\mathcal{X}$ such that $a \notin T_{c_4}$ and c_4a is divisible by Δ^8 . Then by our remarks on F_{c_4} , $a = \Delta^8b + c$ for some element $c \in T_{c_4}$. Since Δ^8 is surjective on T_{c_4} , we see that c is in the image of Δ^8 and so the claim holds.

For $\mathcal{X} = tmf \wedge Y$, a similar argument applies. \square

Corollary 2.10. *We have the following isomorphisms of π_*tmf -modules*

- (1) $\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*(tmf \wedge V(0))/(\Delta^\infty))^\vee \cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-21}(tmf \wedge V(0))),$ and
- (2) $\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*(tmf \wedge Y)/(\Delta^\infty))^\vee \cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-19}(tmf \wedge Y)).$

Proof. In this proof, we let $\mathcal{X} = tmf \wedge V(0)$. Since $\pi_*\mathcal{X}$ is 2-power torsion, we have $\mathcal{X}[1/2] \simeq *$. Thus,

$$(2.11) \quad \mathcal{X}/(2^\infty) \simeq \Sigma \mathcal{X}.$$

The long exact sequence in homotopy associated to the cofiber sequence

$$\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}/(2^\infty) \left[\frac{1}{c_4} \right] \rightarrow \mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty),$$

gives an exact sequence

$$(2.12) \quad 0 \rightarrow (\pi_*\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty))/(c_4^\infty) \rightarrow \pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty)) \rightarrow \Gamma_{c_4}\pi_{*-1}(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty)) \rightarrow 0.$$

By (2.11), we have that

$$(\pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty)))/(c_4^\infty) \cong (\pi_{*-1}\mathcal{X})/(c_4^\infty)$$

and that

$$\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-1}(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty))) \cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-2}\mathcal{X}).$$

Since Δ^8 acts injectively on $\pi_*\mathcal{X}$, it also acts injectively on $\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-2}\mathcal{X})$. Moreover, Δ^8 acts injectively on $(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(c_4^\infty)$ by Lemma 2.8. The short exact sequence (2.12) then shows that Δ^8 acts injectively on $\pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty))$. Therefore, we have that

$$\pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty)) \cong (\pi_*\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty)) / (\Delta^\infty).$$

The 9-lemma then implies that the following is a short exact sequence of π_*tmf -modules:

$$(2.13) \quad 0 \rightarrow (\pi_{*-1}\mathcal{X})/(c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty) \rightarrow \pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty)) \rightarrow \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-2}\mathcal{X}) / (\Delta^\infty) \rightarrow 0.$$

By applying $\text{Hom}(-, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ to this exact sequence, we obtain that

$$0 \rightarrow (\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-2}\mathcal{X}) / (\Delta^\infty))^\vee \rightarrow \pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty))^\vee \rightarrow ((\pi_{*-1}\mathcal{X})/(c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty))^\vee \rightarrow 0,$$

is an exact sequence of π_*tmf -modules.

We see that the right most term is c_4 -free and the left most term is c_4 -torsion. In particular, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-2}\mathcal{X}) / (\Delta^\infty))^\vee &\cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty))^\vee) \\ &\cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_* I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty))), \end{aligned}$$

where the second isomorphism comes from the definition of the Brown-Comenetz dual $I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty))$. Together with [Corollary 2.7](#), we obtain an isomorphism of π_*tmf -modules

$$\begin{aligned} (\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty))^\vee &\cong \Sigma^2(\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*-2}\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty))^\vee \\ &\cong \Sigma^2\Gamma_{c_4}\pi_*(I_{\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}}(\mathcal{X}/(2^\infty, c_4^\infty, \Delta^\infty))) \\ &\cong \Sigma^2\Sigma^{19}\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X}) \\ &\cong \Sigma^{21}\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X}). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting \mathcal{X} for $tmf \wedge Y$ and this last 19 with 17 gives the result for Y . \square

Remark 2.14. We will explain how to use [Corollary 2.10](#) to compute extensions. Continue to let $\mathcal{X} = tmf \wedge V(0)$. Let K denote the kernel of the homomorphism induced by multiplication by Δ^8 on $\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty)$. Since multiplication by Δ^8 induces an isomorphism

$$(2.15) \quad \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*+192}\mathcal{X})$$

for $* \geq 0$, we see that, for $-192 \leq t < 0$,

$$K_t \cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty)_t.$$

The Snake Lemma applied to the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X}) \left[\frac{1}{\Delta^8} \right] & \xrightarrow{\Delta^8} & \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X}) \left[\frac{1}{\Delta^8} \right] & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty) & \xrightarrow{\Delta^8} & \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty) \end{array}$$

gives rise to the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X}) \xrightarrow{\Delta^8} \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*+192}\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow K \rightarrow 0.$$

Using (2.15) again, the homomorphism $\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_{*+192}\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow K$ in the above short exact sequence induces an isomorphism

$$\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_t \rightarrow K_{t-192} \cong \Gamma_{c_4}\pi_*(\mathcal{X}/(\Delta^\infty))_{t-192}$$

for $0 \leq t < 192$.

Now let r be an element of $\pi_l(tmf)$. If $0 \leq k < 192 - l$, multiplication by r induces a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_k & \xrightarrow{\cong} & K_{k-192} \cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty)_{k-192} \\ \downarrow r & & \downarrow r \\ \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_{k+l} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & K_{k+l-192} \cong \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})/(\Delta^\infty)_{k+l-192}. \end{array}$$

By applying the Pontryagin dual to this commutative diagram, together with [Corollary 2.10](#), we obtain the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}(\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_k, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) & \xleftarrow{\cong} & \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_{171-k} \\ \uparrow r^\vee & & \uparrow r \\ \text{Hom}(\Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_{k+l}, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}) & \xleftarrow{\cong} & \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_{171-k-l}. \end{array}$$

As a consequence, the cardinality of the image of

$$r: \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_k \rightarrow \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_{k+l}$$

is the same as that of

$$r: \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_{171-k-l} \rightarrow \Gamma_{c_4}(\pi_*\mathcal{X})_{171-k}.$$

In particular, this means that a non-trivial multiplication by r on stem k forces a non-trivial multiplication by r on stem $171 - k - l$.

Similarly, for $tmf \wedge Y$ we obtain that a non-trivial multiplication by r on stem k forces a non-trivial multiplication by r on stem $173 - k - l$.

2.4. The Geometric Boundary Theorem. We also make use of the following result, due to Bruner [Bru78]. A standard reference is Theorem 2.3.4 of [Rav86]. We apply this Theorem 2.3.4 to the $X(4)$ -based Adams-Novikov spectral sequence and the cofiber sequence

$$tmf \wedge S^0 \xrightarrow{2} tmf \wedge S^0 \xrightarrow{i} tmf \wedge V(0) \xrightarrow{p} tmf \wedge S^1.$$

Using $X(4)_*tmf \cong A$ and $X(4)_*(tmf \wedge V(0)) \cong A/2$, we have $X(4)_*p = 0$ and hence a short exact sequence

$$(2.16) \quad 0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{2} A \rightarrow A/2 \rightarrow 0.$$

Theorem 2.17 (Geometric Boundary Theorem). *There are maps*

$$\delta_r: E_r^{s,t}(V(0)) \rightarrow E_r^{s+1,t}(S^0)$$

such that

$$\delta_2 = \delta: E_2^{s,t}(V(0)) \rightarrow E_2^{s+1,t}(S^0)$$

is the connecting homomorphism arising from (2.16). For all r ,

$$\delta_r d_r = d_r \delta_r$$

and δ_{r+1} is induced by δ_r . Furthermore, δ_∞ is a filtered form of

$$p_*: \pi_*tmf \wedge V(0) \rightarrow \pi_{*+1}tmf.$$

2.5. Further observations on extensions. Here, we collect a few classical but useful extension results. Note that, in this paper, we use Definition 2.10 of [IWX20] as our definition of an *exotic extension*. See Section 2.1 of that reference for a detailed discussion. However, briefly, we have

Definition 2.18 (Definition 2.10 [IWX20]). Let $\alpha \in \pi_*tmf$ be an element detected by a on the E_∞ -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf . An *exotic extension* by α is a pair of elements b and c on the E_∞ -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for M (where M is a tmf -module) such that

- (1) $ab = 0$ on the E_∞ -term,
- (2) there is an element β detected by b such that $\alpha\beta$ is detected by c ,
- (3) if an element β' detected by b' is such that $\alpha\beta'$ is detected by c , then the filtration of b' is less than or equal to that of b .

Note that this implies that if both $\alpha\beta$ and $\alpha\beta'$ are detected by c as in Figure 1, there is no exotic extension from b' to c .

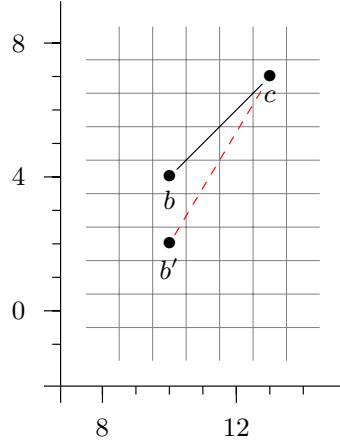


FIGURE 1. Here there is no exotic extensions from b' to c , and so the dashed line would not be drawn.

Lemma 2.19. *Let X be a spectrum. Consider the long exact sequence in homotopy*

$$\dots \rightarrow \pi_n X \xrightarrow{i} \pi_n(X \wedge V(0)) \xrightarrow{p} \pi_{n-1} X \xrightarrow{2} \dots$$

associated to the cofiber sequence $X \xrightarrow{2} X \rightarrow X \wedge V(0)$. Let $a \in \pi_{n-1} X$ be an element of order 2. If $a' \in \pi_n(X \wedge V(0))$ is such that $p_(a') = a$, then*

$$2a' = i_*(\eta a) \in \pi_n X \wedge V(0).$$

Proof. This is a classical result. See, for example, [BGH17, Lemma 3.1.5.]. \square

Remark 2.20. *Lemma 2.19 will be used with $X = tmf$ and $tmf \wedge C_\eta$ where C_η is the cofiber of the Hopf map $\eta: S^1 \rightarrow S^0$. This gives all exotic 2-extensions in the elliptic spectral sequences for $tmf \wedge V(0)$ and $tmf \wedge Y$, since $Y \simeq C_\eta \wedge V(0)$.*

Finally, we have the following classical result which is an analogue of [Lemma 2.19](#).

Lemma 2.21. *Let $b \in \pi_n X$ be such that $\eta b = 0$. If $b' \in \pi_{n+2}(C_\eta \wedge X)$ is such that $p_* b' = b$ in the long exact sequence on homotopy groups associated to*

$$\Sigma X \xrightarrow{\eta} X \xrightarrow{i} X \wedge C_\eta \xrightarrow{p} \Sigma^2 X,$$

then $\eta b' = i_(\nu b)$.*

Proof. First, consider $b = \iota \in \pi_0 C_\eta$ given by the inclusion $S^0 \rightarrow C_\eta$ of the bottom cell. We have a cofiber sequence

$$C_\eta \xrightarrow{i} C_\eta \wedge C_\eta \xrightarrow{p} \Sigma^2 C_\eta$$

which is not split because of the non-triviality of Sq^4 in $H^*(C_\eta \wedge C_\eta, \mathbb{Z}/2)$. We get a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \pi_2 C_\eta & \xrightarrow{i_*} & \pi_2 C_\eta \wedge C_\eta & \xrightarrow{p_*} & \pi_2 \Sigma^2 C_\eta & \longrightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow \eta & & \downarrow \eta & & & \\ \pi_3 C_\eta & \xrightarrow{i_*} & \pi_3(C_\eta \wedge C_\eta) & & & & \end{array}$$

For any $b' \in \pi_2(C_\eta \wedge C_\eta)$ such that $p_* b' = \iota$, we must have $\eta b' \neq 0$, else we could split the above cofiber sequence. Since $\eta \iota = 0$, $\eta b' \in i_*(\pi_3 C_\eta)$, where $\pi_3 C_\eta \cong \mathbb{Z}/4\{\nu \iota\}$. Now, in $\pi_* C_\eta$, we can form the bracket

$$\langle \iota, \eta, 2 \rangle \in \pi_2 C_\eta$$

with indeterminacy

$$2\pi_2 C_\eta + \iota \pi_2 S^0 = 2\pi_2 C_\eta \cong 2\mathbb{Z}.$$

So, $\langle \iota, \eta, 2 \rangle \eta$ contains a unique element. In $\pi_* S^0$, we also have $2\nu \in \langle \eta, 2, \eta \rangle$ with indeterminacy $\eta \pi_2 S^0$. It follows that

$$\langle \iota, \eta, 2 \rangle \eta = \iota \langle \eta, 2, \eta \rangle = \iota 2\nu \neq 0 \in \pi_3 C_\eta.$$

So $i_*(2\nu) = 0$ and $\eta b' = i_*(\nu \iota)$.

For the general case, note that any class $b: S^n \rightarrow X$ such that $\eta b = 0$ can be extended to a map $\bar{b}: \Sigma^n C_\eta \rightarrow X$. The claim then follows from the commutativity of the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Sigma^n C_\eta & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^n C_\eta \wedge C_\eta & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^{n+2} C_\eta \\ \downarrow \bar{b} & & \downarrow \bar{b} \wedge C_\eta & & \downarrow \Sigma^2 \bar{b} \\ X & \xrightarrow{i} & X \wedge C_\eta & \xrightarrow{p} & \Sigma^2 X \end{array}$$

Then $b' = (\bar{b} \wedge C_\eta)_* \iota$ satisfies $\eta b' = i_*(\nu \iota)$. Now, suppose that $p_* \tilde{b}' = b$. Then $\tilde{b}' - b' \in \ker p_* = \text{im } i_*$. Therefore, $\eta(\tilde{b}' - b') = 0$ so, $\eta \tilde{b}' = i_*(\nu \iota)$ as well. \square

2.6. Self-maps and their cofiber. It is well-known that $V(0)$ admits v_1^4 self-maps, i.e., maps $\Sigma^8 V(0) \rightarrow V(0)$ which induce multiplication by v_1^4 in $K(1)$ -homology for $K(1)$ the first Morava K -theory. The map on MU -homology is given by multiplication by $x_1^4 \in MU_8$. Under the map from the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence of $V(0)$ to that of the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge V(0)$, x_1 maps to v_1 on the E_2 -term. See the discussion surrounding (3.3). Any v_1^4 self-map is detected by the same-named element. The spectral sequence inherits an action of v_1^4 and the differentials are v_1^4 -linear.

Recall that we let Y be the spectrum $V(0) \wedge C_\eta$. In [DM81], Davis and Mahowald show that there exist v_1 self-maps of Y , i.e., maps $\Sigma^2 Y \rightarrow Y$ which induce multiplication by v_1 in $K(1)_* Y$. Any of these is detected by the element v_1 on the E_2 -term of elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$ and the differentials are v_1 -linear.

In Lemma 6.40, we will be studying the v_1 -multiplication in $tmf_* Y$. Some of the answers will depend on the choice of v_1 -self map, so we give a bit of background here on this subject. This material can be found in [DM81].

In [DM81], the authors show that there are in fact 8 v_1 -self maps of Y . They also show that a v_1 -self map of Y is detected in the Adams spectral sequence by

an element of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y))$, where \mathcal{A} denotes the Steenrod algebra at the prime 2.

A class of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y))$ is represented by a short sequence of \mathcal{A} -modules:

$$0 \rightarrow \Sigma^2 H^*(Y) \rightarrow M \rightarrow H^*(Y) \rightarrow 0.$$

Let $\mathcal{A}(1)$ be the sub-algebra of the Steenrod algebra generated by Sq^1 and Sq^2 . We know that $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}(1)}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y)) \cong \mathbb{F}_2$ and its unique non-trivial class is represented by the short exact sequence of $\mathcal{A}(1)$ -module

$$0 \rightarrow \Sigma^2 H^*(Y) \rightarrow A(1) \rightarrow H^*(Y) \rightarrow 0,$$

where $A(1)$ is isomorphic to $\mathcal{A}(1)$ as an $\mathcal{A}(1)$ -module, thus the notation. Davis and Mahowald showed that a class of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y))$ which detects a v_1 -self map of Y is sent to the unique non-trivial class of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}(1)}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y))$ (via the map induced by the inclusion $\mathcal{A}(1) \subset \mathcal{A}$).

To put an \mathcal{A} -module structure on $A(1)$, it suffices to specify the Sq^4 action. Indeed, the action of Sq^k , for $k \geq 8$ on $A(1)$ is trivial for degree reasons. By the Adem relations, there must be a non-trivial Sq^4 on the class of degree one of $A(1)$. There are possibilities for a non-trivial action of Sq^4 on the classes of degrees zero and two, giving rise to four different \mathcal{A} -module structures on $A(1)$. This implies, in particular, that

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y)) \cong \mathbb{F}_2^{\oplus 3}.$$

Computing the first three stems of $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,t}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y))$, we see that

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,s+2}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y)) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_2 & \text{if } s = 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We deduce that there are eight homotopy classes of maps $\Sigma^2 Y \rightarrow Y$ detected in $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y))$ and mapping non-trivially to $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}(1)}^{1,3}(H^*(Y), H^*(Y))$. These are the v_1 self-maps of Y .

The singular cohomology of the cofiber of each of the v_1 -self map is isomorphic to one of the four $A(1)$ s as an \mathcal{A} -module. We denote the four choices by $A_1[ij]$, with $i, j \in \{0, 1\}$. Here, $A_1[ij]$ means that the cohomology has a non-trivial Sq^4 on the class of degree 0, respectively 2 if $i = 1$, respectively if $j = 1$.

It is somewhat surprising that out of eight v_1 -self-maps, there are only four homotopy types which are distinguished by their cohomology, as is shown [DM81]. We use the notation A_1 , for short, when we mean any or all of the four models.

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From now on, we will be working exclusively with 2-local spectra. We will write tmf for $tmf_{(2)}$ to simplify the notation. Furthermore, we will be considering only elliptic spectral sequences for $M = tmf \wedge F$ for F a finite spectrum and so shorten our notation even more to

$$E_2^{s,t}(F) := \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{s,t}(A', A' \otimes_A \mathcal{F}_*(F)).$$

The map $S^0 \xrightarrow{\times 2} S^0$ induces multiplication by 2 on $\mathcal{F}_*(S^0) \cong A$, which is injective. Thus the cofiber sequence

$$S^0 \xrightarrow{2} S^0 \rightarrow V(0)$$

gives rise to a short exact sequence of Λ' -comodules

$$(3.1) \quad 0 \rightarrow A' \xrightarrow{\times 2} A' \rightarrow A' \otimes_A \mathcal{F}_*(V(0)) \rightarrow 0.$$

It follows that $A' \otimes_A \mathcal{F}_*(V(0))$ is isomorphic to $A'/(2)$ as a Λ' -comodule. Since $(2) \subseteq A'$ is a Λ' -invariant ideal, we have that

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{s,t}(A', A'/(2)) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2)}^{s,t}(A'/(2), A'/(2)).$$

See, for example, [Rav86, Proposition A1.2.16]. So, we have a spectral sequence

$$(3.2) \quad E_2^{s,t}(V(0)) = \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2)}^{s,t}(A'/(2), A'/(2)) \Longrightarrow \pi_* \mathrm{tmf} \wedge V(0).$$

A computation of the cohomology of $(A'/(2), \Lambda'/(2))$ is originally due to Hopkins and Mahowald and can be found in [DFHH14, Chapter 15, Section 7] and [Bau08, Section 7]. Let us describe the answer here and introduce some notation.

Classical computations of modular forms yield

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{0,*}(A', A') \cong \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}[c_4, c_6, \Delta]/(c_4^3 - c_6^2 - (12)^3 \Delta)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c_4 &= a_1^4 - 24a_1a_3 \\ c_6 &= -a_1^6 + 36a_1^3a_3 - 216a_3^2 \\ \Delta &= a_1^3a_3^3 - 27a_3^4 \end{aligned}$$

as well as

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2)}^{0,*}(A'/(2), A'/(2)) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[a_1, \Delta].$$

See, for example [Bau08] and [Sil86, III.1]. The map on $\mathrm{Ext}^{0,*}$ induced by the mod 2 reduction $(A', \Lambda') \rightarrow (A'/(2), \Lambda'/(2))$ sends $c_4 \mapsto a_1^4$ and $c_6 \mapsto a_1^6$.

There are also maps of Adams–Novikov Spectral Sequences, where H and h are as in Remark 2.3:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{*,*}(BP_*, BP_*V(0)) & \longrightarrow & \pi_* V(0) \\ \cong \uparrow & & \cong \uparrow \\ \mathrm{Ext}_{MU_*MU}^{*,*}(MU_*, MU_*V(0)) & \longrightarrow & \pi_* V(0) \\ \downarrow H & & \downarrow h \\ \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2)}^{*,*}(A'/(2), A'/(2)) & \longrightarrow & \pi_* \mathrm{tmf} \wedge V(0) \end{array}$$

Further,

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{0,*}(BP_*, BP_*V(0)) \cong \mathbb{F}_2[v_1];$$

see [Rav86, Thm 4.3.2].

So, we have $a_1 \in \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2)}^{0,2}(A'/(2), A'/(2))$, $v_1 \in \mathrm{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{0,2}(BP_*, BP_*V(0))$ and $x_1 \in \mathrm{Ext}_{MU_*MU}^{0,2}(MU_*, MU_*V(0))$, and

$$(3.3) \quad v_1 \leftarrow x_1 \mapsto a_1.$$

Note that v_1 detects either of the two classes in $\pi_2 V(0) \cong \mathbb{Z}/4$ which map to $\eta \in \pi_1 V(0)$ under the homomorphism $\pi_2 V(0) \rightarrow \pi_1 S^0$ in the long exact sequence in homotopy. We fix a choice and call it $v_1 \in \pi_2 V(0)$. It follows that a_1 survives

to detect the image of $v_1 \in \pi_2 V(0)$ in $\pi_2 tmf \wedge V(0)$. From now on, in mod 2 computations, we abuse notation and denote all classes we have named a_1 by v_1 .

Now we will present the E_2 page of (3.2) as computed in [DFHH14, p. 270], [Sto14, Fig. 5] and [Bau08, p.26]. See Figure 2. Even if the elliptic spectral sequence for $V(0)$ is not multiplicative, $E_2(V(0))$ is a ring and we can completely describe the algebraic relations (which also follow from [Bau08]). The ring structure will be used in our computation of $E_2(Y)$ below.

Recall that $\delta = \delta_2$ was defined in Theorem 2.17. In the theorem below, $\kappa \in E_2^{2,16}(S^0)$ is the unique non-zero element.

Theorem 3.4 (Figure 2). *The ring $E_2(V(0))$ is isomorphic to*

$$\mathbb{F}_2[v_1, \Delta, \bar{\kappa}, \eta, \nu, x, y]/(\sim)$$

for elements

$$\eta \in \text{Ext}^{1,2}, \quad \nu \in \text{Ext}^{1,3}, \quad \bar{\kappa} \in \text{Ext}^{0,24}, \quad \Delta \in \text{Ext}^{0,24}$$

in the image of $E_2(S^0) \rightarrow E_2(V(0))$, as well as elements

$$v_1 \in \text{Ext}^{0,2}, \quad x \in \text{Ext}^{1,8}, \quad y \in \text{Ext}^{1,15}$$

in the image of $\delta_2: E_2(V(0)) \rightarrow E_2(S^0)$ where

$$\delta_2(v_1) = \eta, \quad \delta_2(x) = \nu^2, \quad \delta_2(y) = \kappa.$$

The relations (\sim) is the ideal generated by

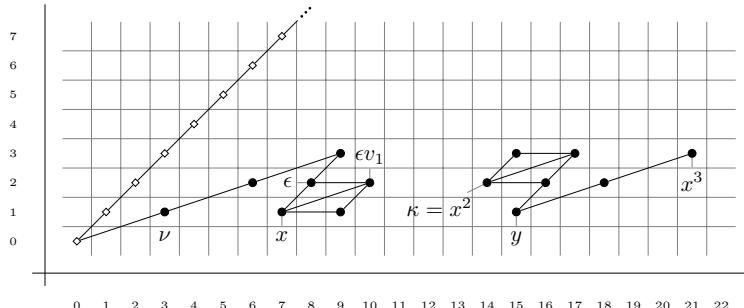
$$\begin{aligned} (s=1) \quad & v_1\nu & v_1^2x & v_1y \\ (s=2) \quad & \nu\eta & \nu x - v_1\nu x & \eta y - v_1x^2 & xy & y^2 - \nu^2\Delta \\ (s=3) \quad & \eta^2x - \nu^3 & x^3 - \nu^2y \\ (s=4) \quad & \eta^4\Delta - v_1^4\bar{\kappa}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we have $\kappa = x^2$ and $\delta_2(\nu^2y) = 4\bar{\kappa}$.

Remark 3.5. The algebraic structure in Theorem 3.4 can also be deduced from the appendix of [Bea17].

Remark 3.6. The element Δ is detected by v_2^4 in the Bockstein spectral sequence computation of [DFHH14, II.2.7].

Remark 3.7. Let P denote the following pattern:



Then $E_2^{*,*}(V(0))$ can be summarized additively as

$$E_2^{*,*}(V(0)) = P[\bar{\kappa}, \Delta]/(\Delta\eta^4 - \bar{\kappa}v_1^4).$$

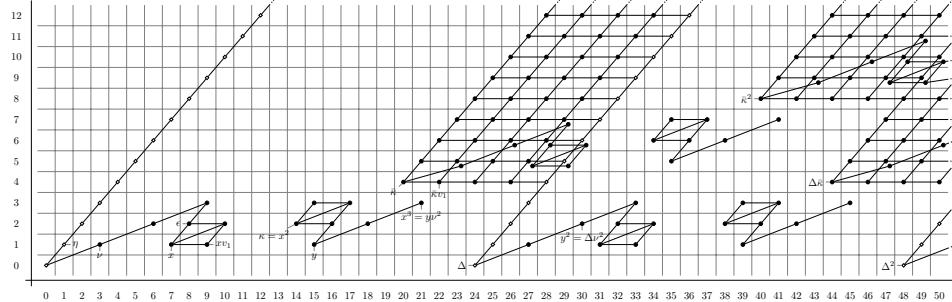


FIGURE 2. The E_2 -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$. A bullet \bullet denotes \mathbb{F}_2 and a diamond \diamond denotes a copy of $\mathbb{F}_2[v_1]$. The lines of slope 1 denote multiplication by η , and the lines of slope $1/3$ denote multiplication by ν . Horizontal lines are v_1 -multiplications.

4. $tmf_*V(0)$: THE DIFFERENTIALS AND EXTENSIONS

We begin with an observation that $V(0)$ has a v_1^4 self map, hence all differentials d_r for $r \geq 3$ are v_1^4 linear. Since $\eta, \nu, \bar{\kappa}$ and Δ^8 are permanent cycles, all differentials are linear with respect to multiplication by these elements. Note that there are no even length differentials due to sparseness.

We will use the following methods when computing differentials in this section.

- (1) The map of spectral sequences induced by the map of spectra

$$tmf \rightarrow tmf \wedge V(0)$$

allows us to import a differential $d_r(a) = b$ from the spectral sequence for tmf if the images of a and b are both non-trivial on the E_r page of the spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$. Note also that the elliptic spectral for $tmf \wedge V(0)$ is a module over the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf .

- (2) The long exact sequence in homotopy groups associated to the fiber sequence

$$tmf \xrightarrow{2} tmf \rightarrow tmf \wedge V(0)$$

gives short exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow (\pi_i tmf)/2 \rightarrow \pi_i(tmf \wedge V(0)) \rightarrow \ker_2(\pi_{i-1} tmf) \rightarrow 0$$

where $\ker_2(\pi_{i-1} tmf)$ is the subgroup of elements of order 2. This allows us to compute the rank of $\pi_i(tmf \wedge V(0))$ and forces certain differentials by various dimension count arguments.

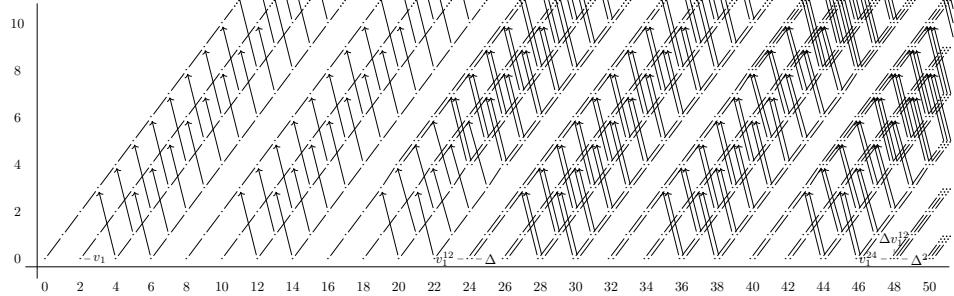
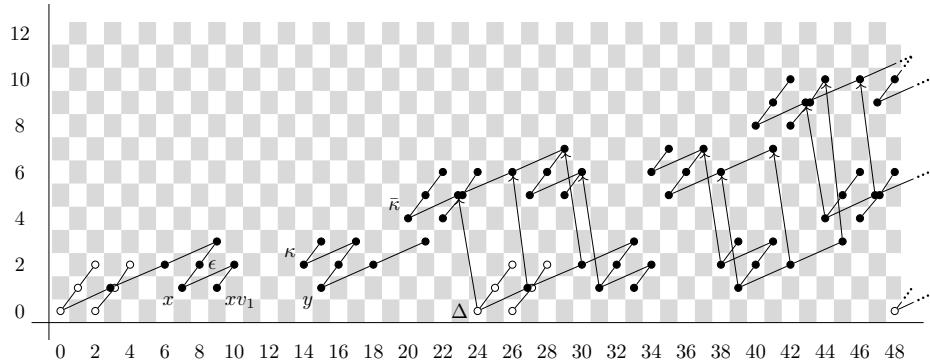
- (3) The Geometric Boundary Theorem, stated in [Theorem 2.17](#).

4.1. The d_3 -differentials.

Lemma 4.1 ([Figure 3](#)). *The d_3 -differentials are Δ and v_1^4 -linear. They are determined by this linearity, the differentials*

$$d_3(v_1^2) = \eta^3; \quad d_3(v_1^3) = v_1 \eta^3,$$

and the module structure over the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf .

FIGURE 3. The d_3 -differentialsFIGURE 4. d_5 and d_7 -differentials in stems 0-48. A \circ denotes $\mathbb{F}_2[v_1^4]$.

Proof. The two listed d_3 -differentials occur in the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence computing $\pi_* V(0)$ so happen here also by naturality. See, for example, [Rav78, Theorem 5.13 (a)]. Since Δ is a d_3 -cycle in the elliptic spectral sequence computing $\pi_* tmf$ and the elliptic spectral sequence for $V(0)$ is a module over this spectral sequence, the d_3 -differentials are Δ -linear. For degree reasons (making use of Δ and $\bar{\kappa}$ -linearity), these determine all d_3 -differentials. \square

Remark 4.2. On the E_5 -page, all classes in filtrations $s \geq 3$ are v_1^4 -torsion. The v_1^4 -free classes are concentrated in stems $t - s \not\equiv 5, 6, 7 \pmod{8}$.

4.2. The d_5 -differentials.

Lemma 4.3 (Figure 4). *The d_5 -differentials are Δ^2 -linear. They are determined by this linearity, the differential*

$$d_5(\Delta) = \bar{\kappa}\nu,$$

and the module structure over the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf .

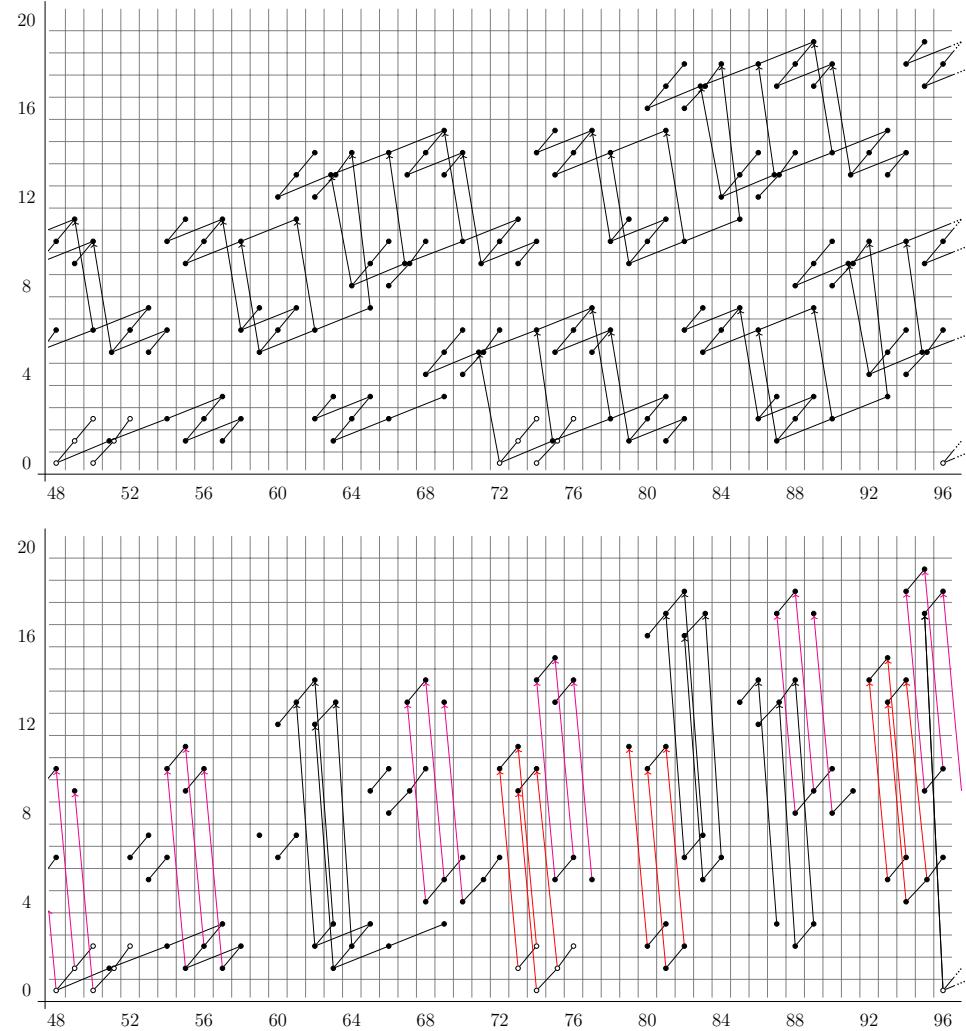


FIGURE 5. Differentials in stems 48 to 96

Proof. The same differential occurs in the spectral sequence for π_*tmf . The rest of the argument is as in the proof of Lemma 4.1. \square

4.3. Higher differentials. Since all the classes in filtrations 4 and above are in the ideal generated by $\bar{\kappa}$, the differentials that have sources in filtrations 0-3 generate the other differentials with respect to the module structure over the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf (denoted $E_r^{*,*}(S^0)$). We focus on these differentials in the narrative. See Figures 4, 5, 6 and 7.

Lemma 4.4. *The d_7 -differentials are Δ^4 -linear and determined by*

$$\begin{aligned} d_7(\Delta\nu^2y) &= \bar{\kappa}^2\eta^2v_1, \\ d_7(\Delta^3\nu^2y) &= \Delta^2\bar{\kappa}^2\eta^2v_1, \end{aligned}$$

and the module structure over the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf .

Proof. First, note that $d_7(\Delta^4) = \eta^2\bar{\kappa} = 4\nu\bar{\kappa}$ in the spectral sequence for tmf . Therefore, for any $a \in E_7(V(0))$

$$d_7(\Delta^4a) = 4\nu\bar{\kappa}a + \Delta^4d_7(a).$$

Since $4E_7(V(0)) = 0$, we get Δ^4 -linearity.

We give a proof for the differential $d_7(\Delta\nu^2y) = \bar{\kappa}^2\eta^2v_1$. The proof for the other differential is similar. In the spectral sequence for tmf , we have

$$d_7(\Delta 4\bar{\kappa}) = \eta^3\bar{\kappa}^2.$$

But, for $\delta_2: E_2^{s,t}(V(0)) \rightarrow E_2^{s+1,t}(S^0)$ the connecting homomorphism, we have

$$\delta_2(\Delta\nu^2y) = \Delta 4\bar{\kappa}$$

and

$$\delta_2(\bar{\kappa}^2\eta^2v_1) = \bar{\kappa}^2\eta^3.$$

The differential when $i = 0$ then follows from [Theorem 2.17](#).

Making use of the module structure over the spectral sequence for tmf , the only other possible d_7 -differential for degree reasons is on $\Delta^2\nu^2y$. But this class is in fact a d_7 -cycle since Δ^2y is a d_7 -cycle by sparseness. \square

Lemma 4.5. *Using the module structure over the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf , the d_9 -differentials are determined by the following differentials with $i = 0, 1$:*

- (1) $d_9(\Delta^{2+4i}) = \Delta^{4i}\bar{\kappa}^2x,$
- (2) $d_9(\Delta^{2+4i}x) = \Delta^{4i}\bar{\kappa}^2\kappa,$
- (3) $d_9(\Delta^{3+4i}\eta) = \Delta^{1+4i}\bar{\kappa}^2\epsilon$
- (4) $d_9(\Delta^{3+4i}\epsilon) = \Delta^{1+4i}\kappa\bar{\kappa}^2\eta$
- (5) $d_9(\Delta^{2+4i}v_1) = \Delta^{4i}\bar{\kappa}^2v_1x$
- (6) $d_9(\Delta^{2+4i}v_1x) = \Delta^{4i}\bar{\kappa}^2\eta y$
- (7) $d_9(\Delta^{3+4i}v_1) = \Delta^{1+4i}\bar{\kappa}^2v_1x$
- (8) $d_9(\Delta^{3+4i}v_1x) = \Delta^{1+4i}\bar{\kappa}^2\eta y$

Proof. We prove the claim for $i = 0$. To prove $i = 1$, one uses exactly the same arguments in later stems.

In order to show (1), note that Δ^2 cannot support any d_r for $r < 9$ by sparseness. Then we have the differential from the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf

$$d_9(\Delta^2\eta) = \bar{\kappa}^2\epsilon$$

and this differential becomes η divisible in the spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$. For (2), we use the same argument with the differential $d_9(\Delta^2\epsilon) = \Delta\bar{\kappa}^2\kappa\eta$ from the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf .

The differentials (3) and (4) are the images of the same differentials in the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf . The differentials (5)–(8) are proved using [Theorem 2.17](#). For example, the differential $d_9(\Delta^2\eta) = \bar{\kappa}^2\epsilon$ and the facts that $\delta(v_1) = \eta$ and $\delta(v_1x) = \epsilon$ together imply (5). The others are similar.

It remains to argue that there are no other generating d_9 -differentials. As noted above, it suffices to determine this on classes in filtration less than four. Combining a comparison with the spectral sequence for tmf and sparseness, we see that the only question is whether or not the classes $\Delta^4 x$ and $\Delta^4 v_1 x$ support non-trivial d_9 s. However, the possible targets are the sources of $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiples of the d_{11} -differentials (1) and (3) of [Lemma 4.6](#) shown below, which settles the question. \square

Lemma 4.6. *Using the module structure over the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf , the d_{11} -differentials are determined by the following differentials with $i = 0, 1$:*

- (1) $d_{11}(\Delta^{2+4i}\kappa) = \Delta^{4i}\bar{\kappa}^3\eta$
- (2) $d_{11}(\Delta^{3+4i}\kappa\eta) = \Delta^{1+4i}\bar{\kappa}^3\eta^2$
- (3) $d_{11}(\Delta^{2+4i}y) = \Delta^{4i}\bar{\kappa}^3v_1$
- (4) $d_{11}(\Delta^{3+4i}\kappa v_1) = \Delta^{1+4i}v_1\bar{\kappa}^3\eta$
- (5) $d_{11}(\Delta^5v_1) = \Delta^3\bar{\kappa}^2\nu^3$

Proof. The differentials (1) and (2) are images of the same differentials in the spectral sequence for tmf . The differentials (3) and (4) follow from (1) and (2) respectively using [Theorem 2.17](#). The differential (5) follows from the fact that $\pi_{121}(tmf \wedge V(0))$ does not contain v_1^4 -torsion, which can be verified by comparing with π_*tmf using the long exact sequence on π_* .

Sparseness and multiplicative structure guarantees that these are all the generating d_{11} -differentials, except for a possible d_{11} on $\Delta^7\eta^2v_1$. However, the possible target is the source of the $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiple of the d_{13} below. \square

Lemma 4.7. *The d_{13} -differentials are determined by*

$$d_{13}(\Delta^4y) = \Delta^2\bar{\kappa}^3\eta^2.$$

There are no d_{15} -differentials and the d_{17} -differentials are determined by

$$d_{17}(\Delta^4) = \bar{\kappa}^4y.$$

The d_{19} -differentials are determined by

$$d_{19}(\Delta^7\nu^3) = \bar{\kappa}^5\Delta^3v_1\eta^2.$$

Proof. The first and second differentials follow from the facts that

$$\pi_{110}(tmf \wedge V(0)) = \mathbb{Z}/2 \text{ and } \pi_{95}(tmf \wedge V(0)) = 0$$

respectively. The d_{19} -differential follows from the fact that there is no v_1^4 -torsion in $\pi_{177}(tmf \wedge V(0))$.

There are no d_{15} differentials and no other d_{17} and d_{19} for degree reasons. The only argument needed beyond sparseness and multiplicative structure to show that there are no other d_{13} -differentials is as follows. There are possible d_{13} s on $\Delta^3\nu^3$ and $\Delta^7\nu^3$. These classes are in the image of the tmf spectral sequence. For tmf , $d_{13}(\Delta^3\nu^3) = 2\bar{\kappa}^4$ and the target maps to zero in the spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$ and similarly for $\Delta^7\nu^3$. \square

Warning 4.8. The d_{13} differential above is in fact equivalent to the 2-extension in $\pi_{110}tmf$. For those familiar with names, this corresponds to $2\kappa_4 = \eta_1\bar{\kappa}^3$. For a recent detailed treatment of this extension, see [BR, Chapter 9].

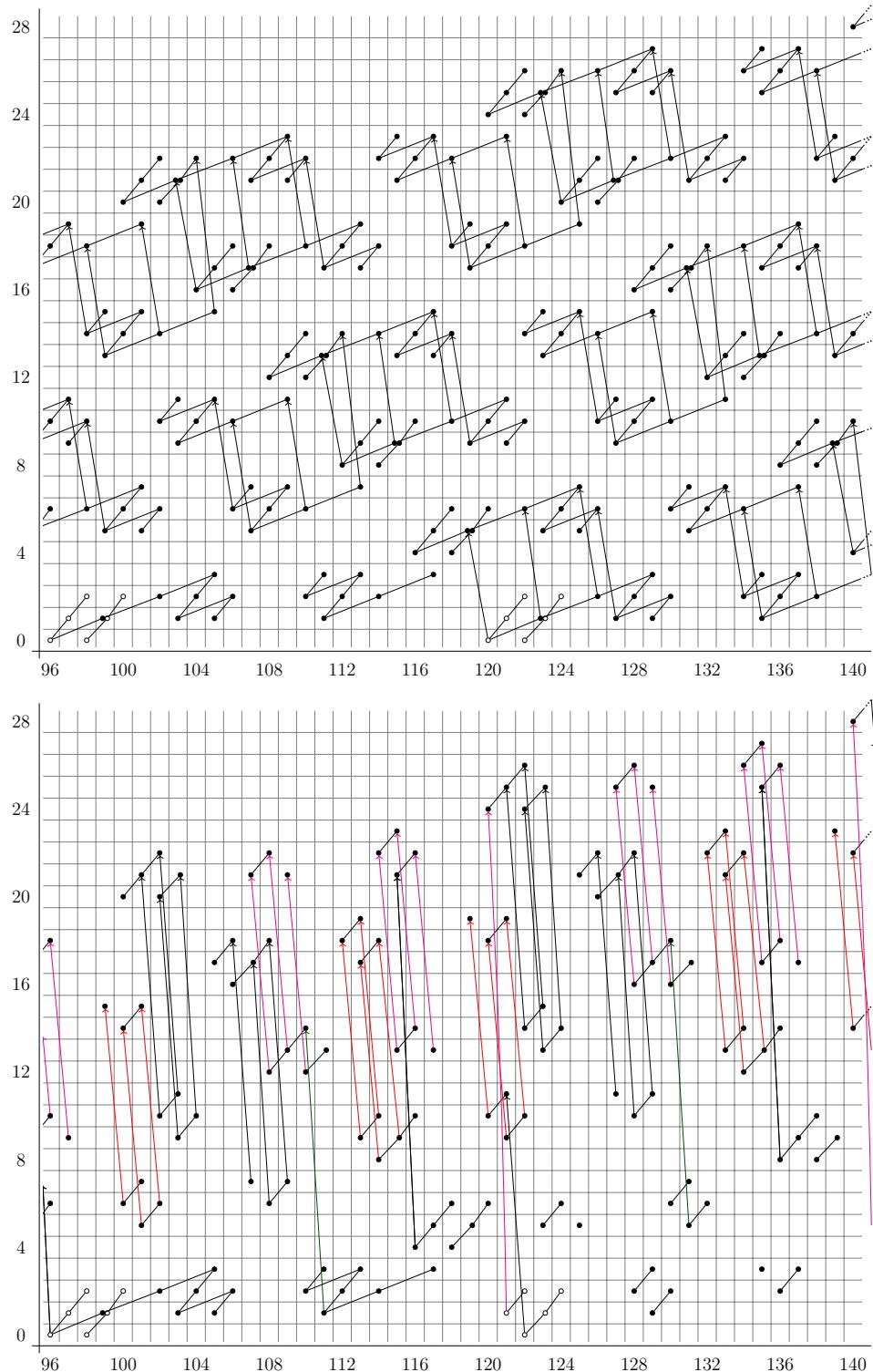


FIGURE 6. Differentials in stems 96 to 140

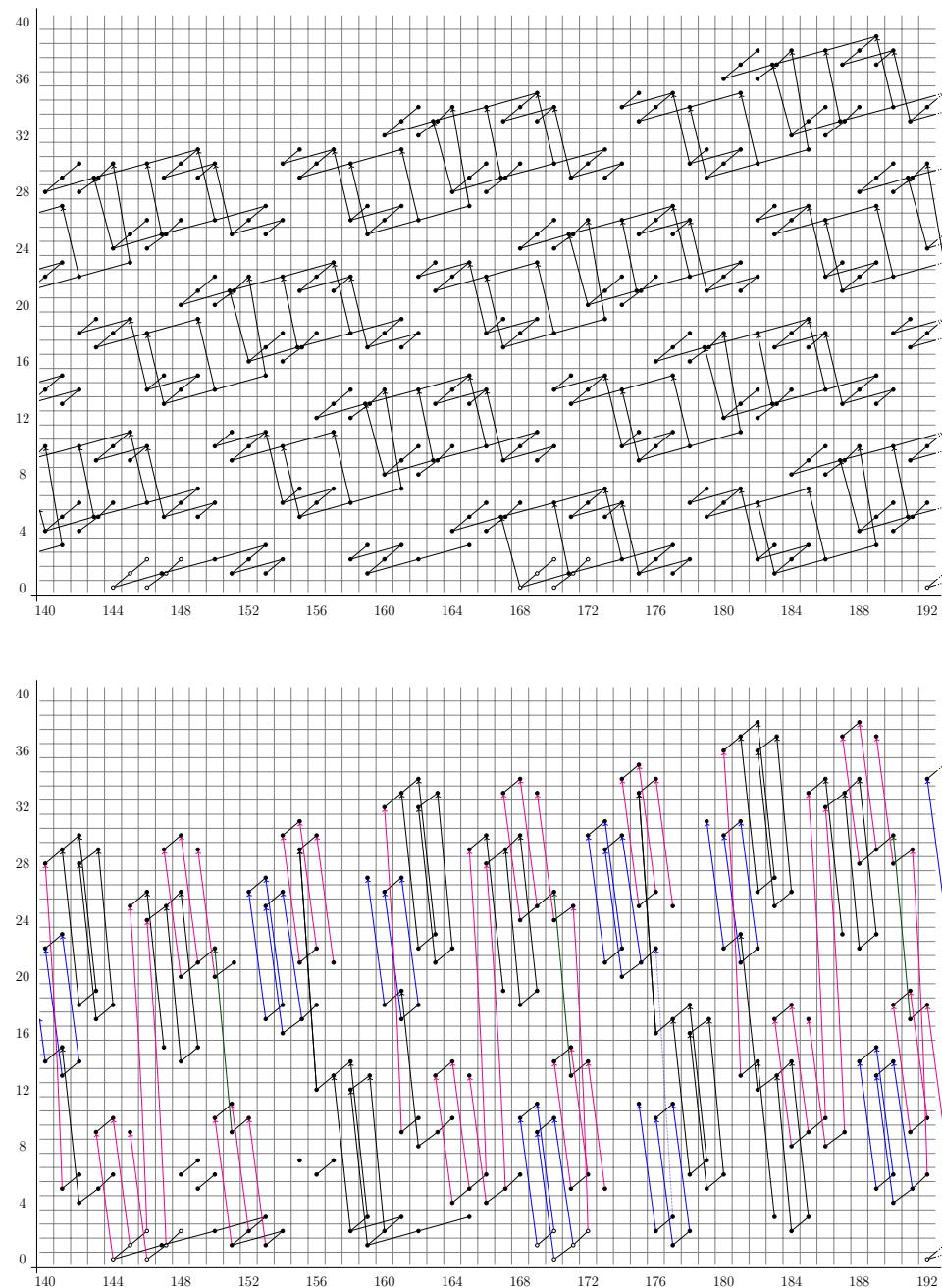


FIGURE 7. Differentials in stems 140 to 192

Lemma 4.9. *There are no d_{21} -differentials. The d_{23} -differentials are determined by:*

- (1) $d_{23}(\Delta^5\eta) = \bar{\kappa}^6$
- (2) $d_{23}(\Delta^6\eta^2) = \bar{\kappa}^6\Delta\eta$
- (3) $d_{23}(\Delta^6\eta v_1) = \bar{\kappa}^6\Delta v_1$
- (4) $d_{23}(\Delta^7\eta^2v_1) = \bar{\kappa}^6\Delta^2\eta v_1$

Proof. The differentials (1) and (2) occur in the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf . The differential (3) is the geometric boundary of (2) as in [Theorem 2.17](#). The last differential is forced by the fact that the v_1^4 -torsion in $\pi_{171}(tmf \wedge V(0))$ is trivial. There are no d_{21} or other d_{23} -differentials for degree reasons. \square

The following is now immediate.

Lemma 4.10. *The spectral sequence collapses at E_{24} with a horizontal vanishing line at $s = 22$, i.e., $E_\infty^{s,t}(V(0)) = 0$ for $s \geq 22$.*

4.4. Exotic extensions. We list the exotic extensions that do occur. All other possibilities can be ruled out using algebraic structure and duality. We bring to the attention of the reader the precise meaning of exotic extensions given in [Definition 2.18](#). Note also that all exotic 2-extensions are deduced from [Lemma 2.19](#). We do not discuss 2-extensions further but include them in our figures.

Lemma 4.11 (Figure 8). *In stems 0 to 45, there are exotic extensions:*

- (1) $[\Delta\eta]\nu = \bar{\kappa}\epsilon$
- (2) $[\Delta\epsilon]\nu = \kappa\bar{\kappa}\eta$
- (3) $[\Delta\kappa\eta]\nu = \bar{\kappa}^2\eta^2$
- (4) $[\Delta v_1]\nu = \bar{\kappa}v_1x$
- (5) $[\Delta v_1x]\nu = \kappa\bar{\kappa}v_1$
- (6) $[\Delta\kappa v_1]\nu = \bar{\kappa}^2\eta v_1$
- (7) $[y\nu^2]\nu = \bar{\kappa}v_1\eta^2$

Proof. The first three extensions are between elements from π_*tmf , see [\[Bau08\]](#). The next three are forced by the fact that the connecting homomorphism in the long exact sequence on homotopy groups is a map of π_*S^0 -modules, the geometric boundary theorem, and the fact that under the map

$$\delta: E_2^{s,t}(V(0)) \rightarrow E_2^{s+1,t}(S^0)$$

we have $\delta(v_1) = \eta$ (and so $\delta(xv_1) = \epsilon$, $\delta(\kappa v_1) = \eta\kappa$, etc.).

The last extension follows from duality and the fact that there is a ν multiplication between stems 147 and 150 (already present on the E_2 -page). \square

Lemma 4.12 (Figure 8). *In stems 46 to 96, there are exotic extensions:*

- (1) $[\Delta^2\eta^2]\nu = \Delta\bar{\kappa}\nu^3$
- (2) $[\Delta^2\nu]\eta = \Delta\bar{\kappa}\epsilon$
- (3) $[\Delta^2v_1\eta]\nu = \Delta\bar{\kappa}x\nu$
- (4) $[\Delta^2x\nu]\eta = \Delta\bar{\kappa}\kappa\eta$
- (5) $[\Delta^2x\nu]\nu = \Delta\bar{\kappa}\kappa\eta v_1$
- (6) $[\Delta^2\kappa\nu]\nu = \Delta\bar{\kappa}^2\eta^2v_1$
- (7) $[\Delta^2y\nu^2]\nu = \Delta^2\bar{\kappa}v_1\eta^2$

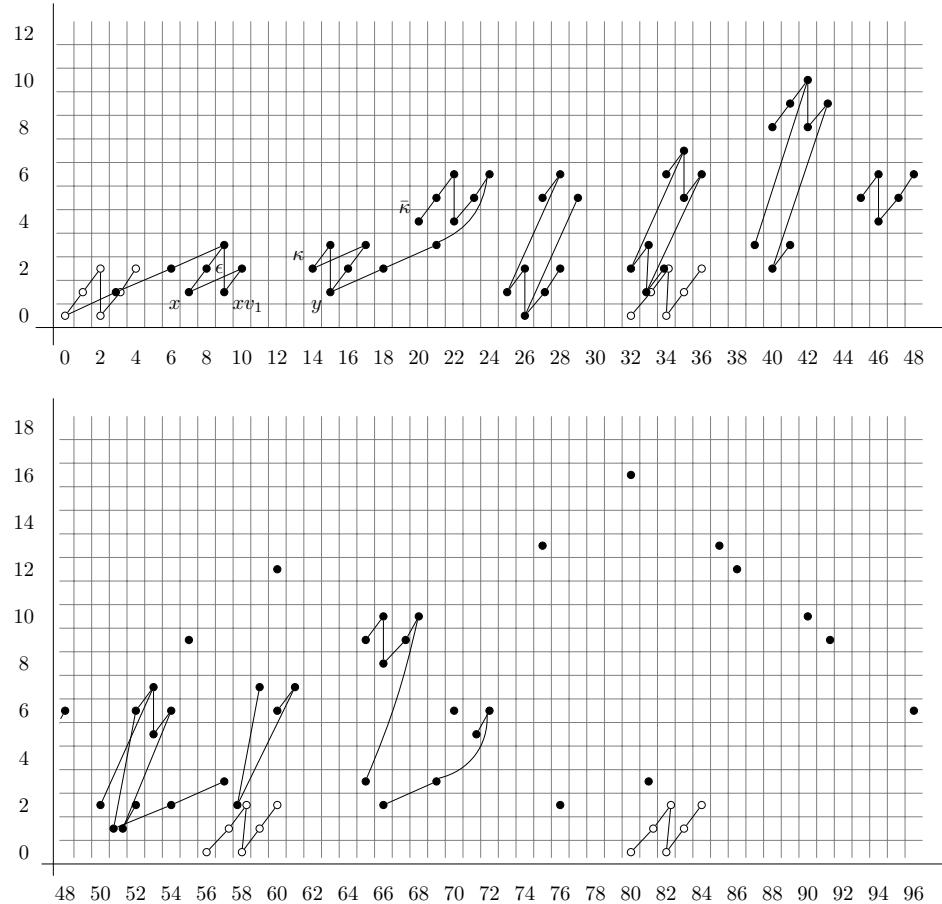


FIGURE 8. Exotic extensions in the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$ in stems 0 to 96. This records $tmf_* V(0) \cong \widetilde{tmf}_{*+1} \mathbb{R}P^2$.

Proof. The first two extensions (1) and (2) are multiplicative relations that hold in $\pi_* tmf$. Extension (3) follows from (1) and [Theorem 2.17](#). Extension (4) is dual to the algebraic η multiplication from stem 112 to 113, and similarly for (5). The extension (6) involves classes in the image of i_* and this extension happens in tmf_* . Finally, (7) is dual to the algebraic ν multiplication from stem 99 to 102. \square

Remark 4.13. Looking at the charts in [\[Bau08\]](#), one might have expected extensions $[\Delta^2 \kappa \nu] \eta = \Delta \bar{\kappa}^2 \eta^2$ and, by the Geometric Boundary Theorem, $[\Delta^2 y \nu] \eta = \Delta \bar{\kappa}^2 \eta v_1$. However, these are not exotic extensions according to [Definition 2.18](#).

We also note that $[\Delta^2 c_4] \nu \neq [\Delta \bar{\kappa} \kappa \eta]$ and $[\Delta^3 c_4 v_1] \nu \neq [\Delta \bar{\kappa}^3 \eta]$. The first comes from the fact in $\pi_* tmf$, there is no such extension. (This can be seen, for example, from the Adams Spectral Sequence of tmf .) The second follows from the fact that the target has a non-trivial $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiple and $\bar{\kappa} \nu = 0$.

Lemma 4.14 ([Figure 9](#)). *In stems 97 to 144, there are exotic extensions:*

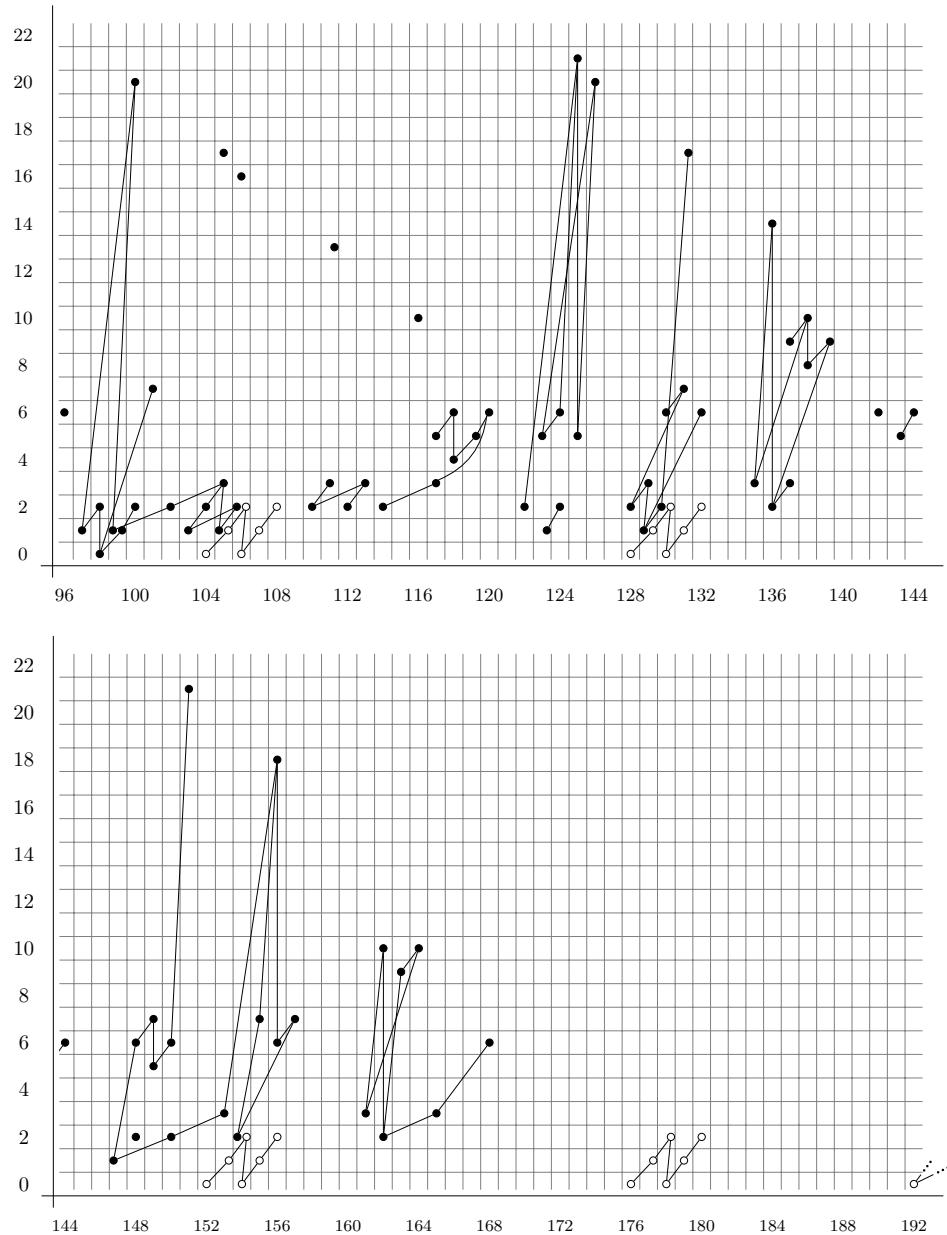


FIGURE 9. Exotic extensions in the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge V(0)$ in stems 96 to 192, recording $tmf_* V(0) \cong \widetilde{tmf}_{*+1} \mathbb{R}P^2$.

- (1) $[\Delta^4 \eta] \nu = \bar{\kappa}^5$
- (2) $[\Delta^4 \nu] \eta = \bar{\kappa}^5$
- (3) $[\Delta^4 \bar{\kappa} \epsilon] \eta = \Delta \bar{\kappa}^5 \eta$
- (4) $[\Delta^5 \eta^2] \nu = \Delta \bar{\kappa}^5 \eta$

- (5) $[\Delta^5 \epsilon] \nu = \Delta^4 \kappa \bar{\kappa} \eta$
- (6) $[\Delta^5 \kappa \eta] \nu = \Delta^4 \bar{\kappa}^2 \eta^2$
- (7) $[\Delta^4 \bar{\kappa} x v_1] \eta = \Delta \bar{\kappa}^5 v_1$ (from (125, 5) to (126, 20))
- (8) $[\Delta^5 x v_1] \nu = \Delta^4 \kappa \bar{\kappa} v_1$ (from (129, 1) to (132, 6))
- (9) $[\Delta^5 \kappa v_1] \nu = \Delta^4 \bar{\kappa}^2 \eta v_1$ (from (136, 2) to (139, 9))
- (10) $[\Delta^5 \epsilon v_1] \eta = \Delta^2 \bar{\kappa}^4 v_1 \eta$ (from (130, 2) to (131, 17))
- (11) $[\Delta^4 v_1] \nu = \Delta^3 \bar{\kappa} \nu^3$ (from (98, 0) to (101, 7))
- (12) $[\Delta^5 \kappa \eta] \eta = \Delta^3 \bar{\kappa}^3 \eta^2 v_1$ (from (135, 3) to (136, 14))
- (13) $[\Delta^4 y \nu^2] \nu = [\Delta^4 \bar{\kappa} v_1 \eta^2]$ (from (117, 3) to (120, 6))

Proof. Extensions (1)–(6) follow from studying $i_*: \text{tmf}_* \rightarrow \text{tmf}_* V(0)$. Note that (4) is missing from the [Bau08] charts, but can be obtained from the classical Adams Spectral Sequence for tmf . See [DFHH14, Chapter 13] or [BR, Chapter 9]. Extensions (7), (8) and (9) follow from (3), (5) and (6), respectively, using [Theorem 2.17](#).

For (11), note that by [Theorem 2.17](#), $[\Delta^4 v_1]$ has geometric boundary $[\Delta^4 \eta]$. Since $[\Delta^4 \eta] \nu \neq 0$, $[\Delta^4 v_1] \nu \neq 0$ and this extension is the only choice. For (12), use [Remark 2.14](#) and the algebraic η multiplication between $\pi_{35} \text{tmf} \wedge V(0)$ and $\pi_{36} \text{tmf} \wedge V(0)$. A similar argument applies for (13). \square

Remark 4.15. There is no exotic ν -extension on $[\Delta^5 c_4]$ since the potential target is not annihilated by $\bar{\kappa}$.

Lemma 4.16 ([Figure 9](#)). *In stems 145 to 191, there are exotic extensions:*

- (1) $[\Delta^6 \nu] \eta = [\Delta^5 \bar{\kappa} \epsilon]$ (from (147, 1) to (148, 6))
- (2) $[\Delta^6 \kappa \nu] \eta = [\Delta^5 \bar{\kappa}^2 \eta^2]$ (from (161, 3) to (162, 10))
- (3) $[\Delta^5 \bar{\kappa} \kappa \eta] \eta = [\Delta^3 \bar{\kappa}^4 \eta^2 v_1]$ (from (155, 7) to (156, 18))
- (4) $[\Delta^6 y \nu] \eta = [\Delta^5 \bar{\kappa}^2 v_1 \eta]$ (from (162, 2) to (163, 9))
- (5) $[\Delta^5 \bar{\kappa} \epsilon v_1] \eta = [\Delta^2 \bar{\kappa}^5 \eta v_1]$ (from (150, 6) to (151, 21))
- (6) $[\Delta^6 \nu^3] \nu = \Delta^3 \bar{\kappa}^4 v_1 \eta^2$ (from (153, 3) to (156, 18))
- (7) $[\Delta^6 \epsilon v_1] \eta = \Delta^5 \bar{\kappa} \kappa \eta$ (from (154, 2) to (155, 7))
- (8) $[\Delta^6 \epsilon v_1] \nu = \Delta^5 \bar{\kappa} \kappa \nu$ (from (154, 2) to (157, 7))
- (9) $[\Delta^6 \kappa \nu] \nu = \Delta^5 \bar{\kappa}^2 v_1 \eta^2$ (from (161, 3) to (164, 10))
- (10) $[\Delta^6 y \nu^2] \nu = [\Delta^6 \bar{\kappa} v_1 \eta^2]$ (from (165, 3) to (168, 6))

Proof. The first two extensions occur in tmf_* . The third is also an extension in tmf_* , namely $[\Delta^5 \bar{\kappa} \kappa \eta] \eta = [\Delta^4 2 \bar{\kappa}^3]$, but the image of the class $[\Delta^4 2 \bar{\kappa}^3]$ is detected by $[\Delta^3 \bar{\kappa}^4 \eta^2 v_1]$ in $\text{tmf}_* V(0)$. The extension (4) follows from (2) and [Theorem 2.17](#). This result also implies (5) from the extensions $[\Delta^5 \bar{\kappa} \nu^3] \eta = [\Delta^2 \bar{\kappa}^5 \eta^2]$ in tmf_* . All the extensions (6)–(10) follow from [Corollary 2.10](#) and [Remark 2.14](#) and the data for algebraic multiplications in the range $3 \leq t - s \leq 20$. \square

5. $\text{tmf}_* Y$: THE E_2 -PAGE

Let C_η be the cofiber of the Hopf map η , so that there is an exact triangle

$$(5.1) \quad S^1 \xrightarrow{\eta} S^0 \rightarrow C_\eta \rightarrow S^2.$$

We define $Y \simeq V(0) \wedge C_\eta$ and study its elliptic spectral sequence. Recall that if F is a finite spectrum, then we abbreviate

$$\mathcal{F}_*(F) := \pi_*(\text{tmf} \wedge X(4) \wedge F).$$

We first describe $\mathcal{F}_*(C_\eta)$. Since $\pi_*(tmf \wedge X(4)) \cong A$ is concentrated in even degrees, the cofiber sequence (5.1) induces a short exact sequence on $tmf \wedge X(4)$ -homology

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*(C_\eta) \rightarrow \Sigma^2 A \rightarrow 0.$$

This splits as a sequence of A -modules so that

$$\mathcal{F}_*(C_\eta) \cong A \oplus \Sigma^2 A.$$

Multiplication by 2 on C_η induces multiplication by 2 on $tmf \wedge X(4)$ -homology, which is injective because $\mathcal{F}_*(C_\eta)$ is torsion-free. Thus the cofiber sequence

$$C_\eta \xrightarrow{2} C_\eta \rightarrow Y$$

induces a short exact sequence in $tmf \wedge X(4)$ -homology

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*(C_\eta) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*(C_\eta) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*(Y) \rightarrow 0,$$

and it follows that

$$(5.2) \quad \mathcal{F}_*(Y) \cong A/(2) \oplus \Sigma^2 A/(2)$$

as an $A/(2)$ -module.

Likewise, since $\mathcal{F}_*(V(0))$ is concentrated in even degrees, the induced map on $tmf \wedge X(4)$ -homology of the cofiber sequence

$$\Sigma V(0) \xrightarrow{\eta} V(0) \rightarrow Y$$

is trivial. It follows that there is a short exact sequence of Λ -comodules

$$0 \rightarrow A/(2) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_*(Y) \rightarrow \Sigma^2 A/(2) \rightarrow 0.$$

This short exact sequence of A -modules splits because of (5.2). Tensoring it with A' over A , we obtain a short exact sequence of Λ' -comodules, which splits as a sequence of A' -modules

$$(5.3) \quad 0 \rightarrow A'/(2) \rightarrow A' \otimes_A \mathcal{F}_*(Y) \rightarrow \Sigma^2 A'/(2) \rightarrow 0.$$

As $\mathcal{F}_*(Y)$ is 2-torsion, (5.3) is a short exact sequence of $A'/(2)$ -module, and hence splits as such. Therefore, applying $\text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{*,*}(A', -)$ to (5.3), we get a long exact sequence of $\text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{*,*}(A', A'/(2))$ -modules. See, for example, [Bro10, p.110, (3.3)]. Its connecting homomorphism

$$(5.4) \quad \delta : \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{s,t}(A', A'/(2)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{s+1,t+2}(A', A'/(2))$$

is given by multiplication with $\eta \in \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{1,2}(A', A'/(2))$. Here, as is often the case, we denote by η the class in Ext which detects the same-named homotopy class.

We present the effect of the connecting homomorphism separately for the v_1 -power torsion and for the v_1 -free classes of $E_2(V(0))$ in Figure 10 and Figure 11, respectively.

In Figure 11 a \circ denotes a copy of $\mathbb{F}_2[v_1]$, and a line of slope 1 denotes, as usual, multiplication by η . Note that we have $\bar{\kappa}v_1^4 = \Delta\eta^4$, hence $\bar{\kappa}v_1^4 = 0$ in $E_2(Y)$, while v_1 itself is not nilpotent and Δ^i is not v_1 torsion. For our purposes, we need to determine completely the action of v_1 on $E_2(Y)$. The class $v_1 \in \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^0(A', A'/(2))$ is detected by the primitive $a_1 \in A'/(2)$ (with respect to the Λ' -comodule structure).

Since $a_1 \in A'/(2)$ is a primitive, multiplication by $a_1 \in A'/(2)$ induces the following diagram of Λ' -comodules

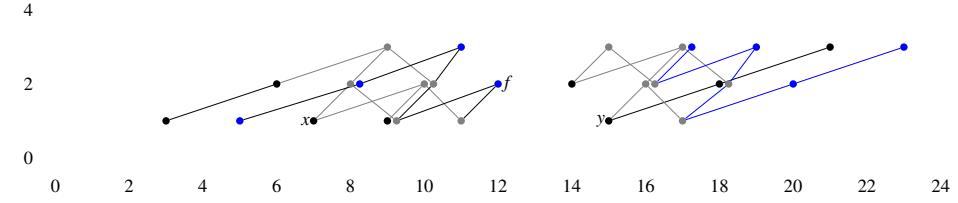


FIGURE 10. The connecting homomorphism (5.4) for the v_1 -power torsion classes

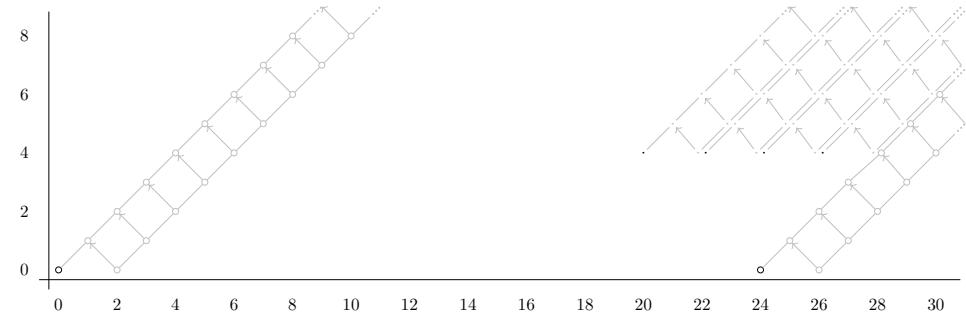


FIGURE 11. The connecting homomorphism (5.4) for the v_1 -free classes

(5.5)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^2 A'/(2) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^2 A'/(2) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^4 A'/(2) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow \times a_1 & & \downarrow \times a_1 & & \downarrow \times a_1 \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & A'/(2) & \longrightarrow & A'/(2) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^2 A'/(2) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & A'/(2, a_1) & \longrightarrow & A'/(2, a_1) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma^2 A'/(2, a_1) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

We let

$$\mathcal{M} := A'/(2, a_1) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y)$$

The middle vertical short exact sequence induces a long exact sequence
(5.6)

$$\dots \longrightarrow E_2^{s,t}(Y) \xrightarrow{v_1} E_2^{s,t+2}(Y) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{s,t+2}(A', \mathcal{M}) \longrightarrow E_2^{s+1,t+2}(Y) \xrightarrow{v_1} \dots$$

so that we can determine the action of v_1 on $E_2(Y)$ by computing

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{*,*}(A', \mathcal{M}) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{*,*}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y)).$$

The cohomology ring $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{*,*}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1))$ is computed in [Bau08, Section 7]. With our notation,

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{*,*}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1)) \cong \mathbb{F}_2[\eta, \nu, \bar{\kappa}, v_2]/(\nu^2\eta^3 - \nu^3, \eta\nu).$$

The bottom short exact sequence of the above diagram (5.5) splits as a sequence of $A'/(2,a_1)$ -modules. However, it does not split as a one of $\Lambda'/(2,a_1)$ -comodules, rather it represents the element $\eta \in \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{1,2}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1))$. Therefore, the connecting homomorphism

$$(5.7) \quad \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{s,t}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1)) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{s+1,t+2}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1))$$

of the induced long exact sequence in $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{*,*}(A'/(2,a_1), -)$ is given by multiplication by η . We obtain:

Lemma 5.8. *As a module over the ring $\mathbb{F}_2[\eta, \nu, \bar{\kappa}, v_2]/(\nu^2\eta^3 - \nu^3, \eta\nu)$, the cohomology group*

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{*,*}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y))$$

is generated by $a[0,0] \in \mathrm{Ext}^{0,0}$ and $a[5,1] \in \mathrm{Ext}^{1,6}$ with the relations

$$\eta a[0,0] = 0, \quad \eta a[5,1] = \nu^2 a[0,0].$$

Proof. By the description of the connecting homomorphism (5.7), we see that

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{*,*}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y)) \cong \mathbb{F}_2[\nu, \bar{\kappa}, v_2]/(\nu^3)\{a[0,0], a[5,0]\}$$

as an $\mathbb{F}_2[\nu, \bar{\kappa}, v_2]/(\nu^3)$ -module. Next, we determine the action of η . We see easily that $\eta a[0,0] = 0$. To calculate $\eta a[5,1]$, we remark that

$$\nu^2 a[0,0] = \langle \eta, \nu, \eta \rangle a[0,0] = \eta \langle \nu, \eta, a[0,0] \rangle,$$

where the first equality comes from the Massey product $\nu^2 = \langle \eta, \nu, \eta \rangle$ and the second is a shuffle. As $\nu^2 a[0,0] \neq 0$, $\langle \nu, \eta, a[0,0] \rangle$ is not trivial and must be equal to $a[5,1]$ by sparseness. Hence, $\nu^2 a[0,0] = \eta a[5,1]$. \square

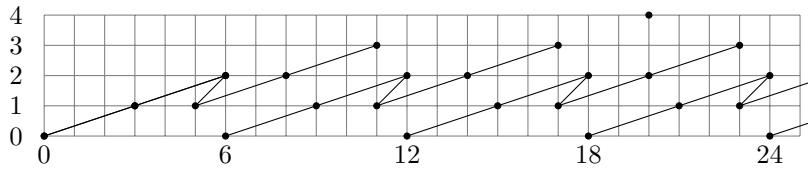


FIGURE 12. $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2,a_1)}^{s,t}(A'/(2,a_1), A'/(2,a_1) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y))$ depicted in the coordinate $(t-s, s)$.

Proposition 5.9 (Figure 13). *As a module over $E_2(V(0))$, $E_2(Y)$ is generated by classes*

$$a[0, 0], a[5, 1], a[17, 3]$$

The submodule generated by $a[0, 0]$ is isomorphic to $E_2(V(0))/\eta$. There are Massey products

$$a[5, 1] = \langle \nu, \eta, a[0, 0] \rangle, \quad a[17, 3] = \langle \eta x^2, \eta, a[0, 0] \rangle$$

and these classes are subject to the following relations. On the new classes, we have v_1 multiplications

$$v_1 a[5, 1] = x a[0, 0] \quad v_1 a[17, 3] = x^2 a[5, 1],$$

η and ν multiplications

$$\eta a[5, 1] = \nu^2 a[0, 0], \quad \eta a[17, 3] = \nu a[17, 3] = y a[17, 3] = 0$$

as well as

$$\nu^2 y a[5, 1] = v_1^3 \bar{\kappa} a[0, 0].$$

Proof. Using the description of $E_2(V(0))$, the effect of the connecting homomorphism δ of (5.4) is straightforward to compute. The cokernel is simply $E_2 V(0)/\eta$ as an $E_2(V(0))$ -module. Using the multiplication on $E_2(V(0))$, the kernel is generated by classes $a[5, 1]$ and $a[17, 3]$ defined as

$$a[5, 1] = p_*(\nu) \quad a[17, 3] = p_*(\eta x^2),$$

where p_* is induced by the map $A' \otimes_A \mathcal{F}_*(Y) \rightarrow \Sigma^2 A'/(2)$ of (5.3).

Inspecting the long exact sequence (5.6) and the structure of

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'/(2, a_1)}^{*, *}(A'/(2, a_1), A'/(2, a_1) \otimes_{A/(2)} \mathcal{F}_*(Y)),$$

we see that $v_1 a[5, 1] = x a[0, 0]$ (else the latter $\mathrm{Ext}^{1, 8}$ -term would be nonzero and contain the image of $x a[0, 0]$). That $v_1 a[17, 3] = x^2 a[5, 1]$ follows from the fact that $v_1 \eta x^2 = x^2 \nu$ in $E_2(V(0))$ and the definition these classes as images of δ .

By the same argument used in Lemma 5.8, we deduce the η -multiplication on $a[5, 1]$. The relations $\eta a[17, 3] = \nu a[17, 3] = y a[17, 3] = 0$ follows for degree reasons.

It remains to verify that $\nu^2 y a[5, 1] = v_1^3 \bar{\kappa} a[0, 0]$. A juggling of Massey products gives

$$y \nu^2 \langle \nu, \eta, a[0, 0] \rangle = \langle y \nu^2, \nu, \eta \rangle a[0, 0].$$

The relation $\nu^2 y a[5, 1] = v_1^3 \bar{\kappa} a[0, 0]$ then follows by Lemma 5.10 below and the fact that $\eta a[0, 0] = 0$. \square

Lemma 5.10. *In $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{*, *}(A', A'/(2))$, there is the following Massey product*

$$\bar{\kappa} v_1^3 \in \langle y \nu^2, \nu, \eta \rangle$$

with indeterminacy

$$\eta \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{3, 28}(A', A'/(2)) + y \nu^2 \mathrm{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{1, 6}(A', A'/(2)).$$

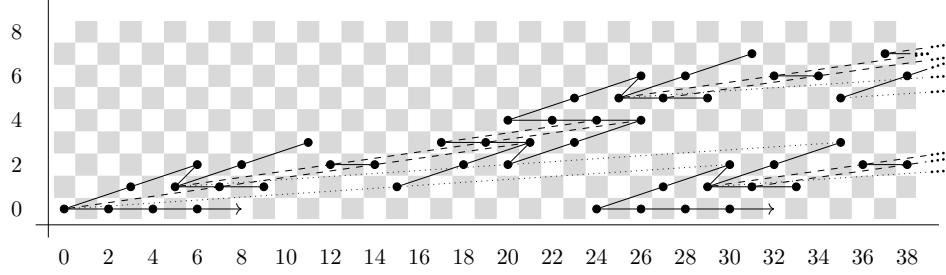


FIGURE 13. $E_2(Y)$ as a module over $E_2(V(0))$. The dashed lines are x -multiplications and dotted lines y -multiplications. Other structure lines are as in Figure 2.

Proof. By [Bau08, Formula 7.9], $\bar{\kappa}v_1^2 = \langle \eta, \kappa\eta, x \rangle$ and

$$\bar{\kappa}v_1^3 = v_1 \langle \eta, \kappa\eta, x \rangle \subset \langle v_1\eta, \kappa\eta, x \rangle \subset \langle \eta, v_1\kappa\eta, x \rangle = \langle \eta, \eta^2y, x \rangle$$

and the indeterminacy $\eta \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{3,28}(A', A'/(2))$ does not contain $\bar{\kappa}v_1^3$. Here, we used the relation $v_1\kappa\eta = \eta^2y$. So $\bar{\kappa}v_1^3 = \langle \eta, \eta^2y, x \rangle$ and it follows that

$$\bar{\kappa}v_1^4 = v_1 \langle \eta, \eta^2y, x \rangle = \langle v_1\eta, y, \eta^2x \rangle = \langle v_1\eta, y, \nu^3 \rangle \subset \langle v_1\eta, y\nu, \nu^2 \rangle$$

and the indeterminacy $\eta v_1 \text{Ext}^{3,28}$ does not contain $\bar{\kappa}v_1^4$. So

$$\bar{\kappa}v_1^4 = \langle v_1\eta, y\nu, \nu^2 \rangle = \langle v_1\eta, \nu, \nu^2y \rangle = v_1 \langle \eta, \nu, y\nu^2 \rangle.$$

As v_1 acts injectively on $\text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{4,30}(A', A'/(2))$, so $\bar{\kappa}v_1^3 = \langle \eta, \nu, y\nu^2 \rangle = \langle y\nu^2, \nu, \eta \rangle$. \square

Remark 5.11. In $E_2^{s,t}(Y)$, there is at most one non-zero element in any bi-degree (s, t) with filtration $s > 0$. There is also a unique non-zero element in bi-degree $(0, 0)$. So, for $s > 0$ or $(s, t) = (0, 0)$, we often denote by $a[t - s, s] \in E_r^{s,t}$ the non-zero element, if it exists. Furthermore, when $s = 0$ and $t > 0$, we let $a[t, 0]$ denote the element of $E_2^{0,t}(Y)$ which is divisible by the largest power of Δ . For example, $E_2^{0,52}(Y) \cong \mathbb{F}_2\{v_1^{26}a[0, 0], v_1^{14}\Delta a[0, 0], v_1^2\Delta^2 a[0, 0]\}$ and $a[52, 0] = v_1^2\Delta^2 a[0, 0]$.

Although Proposition 5.9 gives us a very compact description of $E_2(Y)$, the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$ is not a module over the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge V(0)$ as the latter is not even a multiplicative spectral sequence. However, the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$ is a module over the elliptic spectral sequence of tmf . In fact, we get even more structure than that from the fact that Y has v_1 -self maps. As explained in Section 2.6, we have:

Lemma 5.12 (v_1 -linearity). *The differentials in the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$ are v_1 -linear.*

We state the following ‘‘intermediate’’ result for convenience of reference in the computations below. The module structure of the elliptic spectral sequence spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$ over that of tmf is richer than what is stated here but that information can be read off of Proposition 5.9.

Corollary 5.13. *As a module over*

$$\mathbb{F}_2[v_1, \nu, \bar{\kappa}, \Delta]/(v_1\nu, \nu^3, v_1^4\bar{\kappa})$$

$E_2(Y)$ is generated by

$$a[0, 0], a[5, 1], a[12, 2], a[15, 1], a[17, 3], a[20, 2]$$

subject to the relations generated by

$$v_1^3 a[5, 1] = v_1^2 a[12, 2] = v_1 a[15, 1] = \nu a[12, 2] = \nu a[17, 3] = 0$$

and

$$\nu^2 a[15, 1] = v_1^2 a[17, 3], \quad \nu^2 a[20, 2] = v_1^3 \bar{\kappa} a[0, 0].$$

Furthermore, the differentials are $\mathbb{F}_2[v_1, \nu, \bar{\kappa}, \Delta^8]/(v_1 \nu, \nu^3, v_1^4 \bar{\kappa})$ -linear.

Proof. This follows from the results of this section and the fact that Δ^8 is a permanent cycle in the elliptic spectral sequence spectral sequence of tmf . \square

6. tmf_*Y : THE DIFFERENTIALS AND EXTENSIONS

Our approach to computing the differentials of the elliptic spectral sequence for $\pi_*(tmf \wedge Y)$ is based largely on the analysis of the action of $\bar{\kappa}$. Since $\bar{\kappa}$ is a permanent cycle in the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf , $\bar{\kappa}$ acts on the spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$ and differentials are linear with respect to this action.

Lemma 6.1. *The E_r -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for Y has the following properties:*

- (1) *All classes in filtration greater than $(r - 1)$ are $\bar{\kappa}$ -free.*
- (2) *All classes in filtration greater than or equal to 4 are divisible by $\bar{\kappa}$.*

Proof. We prove these two properties by induction on $r \geq 2$. For $r = 2$, this follows from [Proposition 5.9](#). Suppose now that $r > 2$. Let a be a d_{r-1} -cycle and $[a] \in E_r^{s,t}$ the corresponding class. Suppose that a lives in filtration s with $s > (r - 1)$. We have that $\bar{\kappa}[a] = 0$ if and only if there exists $b \in E_{r-1}$ such that $d_{r-1}(b) = \bar{\kappa}a$. Then, b must live in filtration $(4+s)-(r-1) > 4$. By the second property, b is divisible by $\bar{\kappa}$, i.e., there exists $c \in E_{r-1}$ such that $\bar{\kappa}c = b$. As a consequence of the $\bar{\kappa}$ -linearity, $\bar{\kappa}d_{r-1}(c) = d_{r-1}(b) = \bar{\kappa}a$, and so $\bar{\kappa}(d_{r-1}(c) - a) = 0$. Since $(d_{r-1}(c) - a) \in E_{r-1}$ lives in filtration s greater than $r - 2$, it is $\bar{\kappa}$ -free by the second property. It follows that $d_{r-1}(c) = a$, and so $[a] = 0$. Therefore, the E_r -term has the first property.

For the second property, suppose that a lives in filtration greater than or equal to 4. By the second property for E_{r-1} , there exists $b \in E_{r-1}$ such that $\bar{\kappa}b = a$. It suffices to prove that b is a d_{r-1} -cycle. Suppose that $d_{r-1}(b) = c$. The latter implies that c lives in filtration greater than $(r - 2)$, hence is $\bar{\kappa}$ -free by the first property. Since a is a d_{r-1} -cycle by assumption, we have, by $\bar{\kappa}$ -linearity, that

$$0 = d_{r-1}(a) = d_{r-1}(\bar{\kappa}b) = \bar{\kappa}c.$$

This means that $c = 0$ and so b is a d_{r-1} -cycle, as required. \square

Terminology. For convenience, we will call all $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiples of a class which has filtration less than four the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of that class. By part (2) of the above lemma, at any term of the spectral sequence, every class belongs to some $\bar{\kappa}$ -family. The following corollary tells us how these $\bar{\kappa}$ -families are organized.

Corollary 6.2. (1) *At any term of the spectral sequence, all non-zero $\bar{\kappa}$ -power torsion classes survive to the E_∞ -term.*

- (2) Every $\bar{\kappa}$ -free family consisting of permanent cycles is truncated by one and only one other $\bar{\kappa}$ -free family.

Proof. For part (1), let $a \in E_r$ be a non-zero $\bar{\kappa}$ -power torsion class. By part (1) of Lemma 6.1, a is in filtration less than or equal to $r - 1$. It follows that a cannot be hit by any differential from the E_r -term onwards. Moreover, by part (1) of Lemma 6.1 again, the possible targets of $d_{r'}(a)$, $r' \geq r$ are $\bar{\kappa}$ -free classes. Since $a \in E_r$ is $\bar{\kappa}$ -power torsion, it is a permanent cycle, by $\bar{\kappa}$ -linearity. Therefore, a persists to the E_∞ -term.

For part (2), let a be a permanent cycle of filtration strictly less than four which is $\bar{\kappa}$ -free at the E_2 -term. Then the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of a consists of permanent cycles. Since $\bar{\kappa}$ is nilpotent at the E_∞ -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf , some $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiple of a must be hit by a differential. Suppose that a is $\bar{\kappa}$ -free at the E_r -term and that $\bar{\kappa}^l a$ is the smallest $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiple of a that is hit by a differential, say $d_r(b) = \bar{\kappa}^l a$. Since a is $\bar{\kappa}$ -free at the E_r -term, so is b . It follows that the $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiples of b truncate those of $\bar{\kappa}^l a$ by differentials d_r , i.e., $d_r(\bar{\kappa}^n b) = \bar{\kappa}^{l+n} a$. So, all the classes $\bar{\kappa}^k a$ for $k \leq l - 1$ are non-zero $\bar{\kappa}$ -power torsion classes on the E_{r+1} -term, hence are essential by part (1).

Finally, we claim that b has filtration less than four so that the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of b truncates the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of a . If b had filtration greater than or equal to 4, then b would be divisible by $\bar{\kappa}$, i.e., there would exist $c \in E_r$ such that $\bar{\kappa}c = b$, by Lemma 6.1 part (2). By $\bar{\kappa}$ -linearity, we have that $\bar{\kappa}^l a = d_r(b) = \bar{\kappa}d_r(c)$, and so $\bar{\kappa}(\bar{\kappa}^{l-1} a - d_r(c)) = 0$. This means that $d_r(c) = \bar{\kappa}^{l-1} a$ because $d_r(c) - \bar{\kappa}^{l-1} a$ has filtration at least r so that it is $\bar{\kappa}$ -free, by Lemma 6.1 part (1). This contradicts the minimality of ℓ , so b has filtration less than four. \square

Slogan 6.3. The $\bar{\kappa}$ -free families at the E_r -page come in pairs. The first member of the pair is a family consisting of permanent cycles. The second member is a family which eventually supports differentials (i.e., possibly at a later page) to truncate the first family.

Corollary 6.4. At the E_r -term, we have:

- (1) The homomorphism $E_r^{s,t} \rightarrow E_r^{s,t+192}$ induced by multiplication by Δ^8 is an injection for all s and t ,
- (2) If a is a class of the E_2 -term such that $\Delta^8 a$ is a d_r -cycle, then a is also a d_r -cycle.

Proof. We prove part (1) by induction on $r \geq 2$. For $r = 2$, this can be seen from the explicit structure of the E_2 -term. Suppose the $E_{r'}$ -term has these properties for $r' < r$. Let us prove part (1) for E_r . Let $a \in E_{r-1}$ represent a class of E_r . If $\Delta^8[a] = 0 \in E_r$. This means that there exists $b \in E_{r-1}$ such that $d_{r-1}(b) = \Delta^8 a$. It is obvious that b lives in stem at least 192, hence there exists $c \in E_{r-1}$ such that $b = \Delta^8 c$, by the induction hypothesis. It follows that $\Delta^8(d_{r-1}(c) - a) = 0$, and so $d_{r-1}(c) = a$ because of part (1) of the induction hypothesis. Thus $[a] = 0 \in E_r$, as needed.

For part (2), by induction, suppose that a is a d_{r-1} -cycle. We need to prove that a is a d_r -cycle. In effect, if $d_r(a) = b$, then

$$0 = d_r(\Delta^8 a) = \Delta^8 d_r(a) = \Delta^8 b.$$

By part (1), $b = 0$, and so $d_r(a) = 0$, as needed. \square

Finally, we will also use the following result to establish the differentials.

Lemma 6.5 (Vanishing line). *The spectral sequence for $\pi_*\text{tmf} \wedge Y$ degenerates at the E_{24} -term and has a horizontal vanishing line at $s = 24$, i.e., $E_{24}^{s,t} = E_\infty^{s,t} = 0$ for $s \geq 24$.*

Proof. We know that $\bar{\kappa}^6$ is hit by a differential d_{23} in the elliptic spectral sequence for tmf , see [Bau08]. This means that at the E_{24} -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for $\text{tmf} \wedge Y$, all the classes are annihilated by $\bar{\kappa}^6$, hence are $\bar{\kappa}$ -power torsion. Therefore, by Lemma 6.1, all the classes in the E_{24} -term are in filtrations less than 24, meaning that the spectral sequence has the horizontal vanishing line at $s = 24$, i.e., $E_r^{s,t} = 0$ for $s \geq 24$ and $r \geq 24$. \square

Remark 6.6. The cofiber sequence

$$V(0) \xrightarrow{i} Y \xrightarrow{p} \Sigma^2 V(0) \xrightarrow{\eta} \Sigma V(0)$$

gives rise to maps of spectral sequences

$$i_*: E_2^{s,t}(V(0)) \rightarrow E_2^{s,t}(Y), \quad p_*: E_2^{s,t}(Y) \rightarrow E_2^{s,t-2}(V(0))$$

as well as a long exact sequence

$$(6.7) \quad \dots \rightarrow \text{tmf}_{*+1}V(0) \xrightarrow{\eta} \text{tmf}_*V(0) \xrightarrow{i_*} \text{tmf}_*Y \xrightarrow{p_*} \text{tmf}_{*-1}V(0) \rightarrow \dots$$

6.1. The d_3 , d_5 and d_7 -differentials. Note that for r even, $E_r(Y) \cong E_{r+1}(Y)$ since the spectral sequence is concentrated in bi-degrees (s, t) with t even. The differentials in this section are depicted in Figures 14, 15, 16 and 17.

Proposition 6.8. *There is no non-trivial d_3 -differential, and so $E_3(Y) \cong E_5(Y)$.*

Proof. Since Δ is a d_3 -cycle in the elliptic spectral sequence of tmf , the d_3 -differentials are $\mathbb{F}_2[v_1, \nu, \bar{\kappa}, \Delta]/(v_1\nu, \nu^3, v_1^4\bar{\kappa})$ -linear. All the generators listed in Corollary 5.13 are d_3 -cycles for degree reasons. \square

We then get the following result for degree reasons.

Corollary 6.9. *The classes in stems $t - s < 24$ are permanent cycles.*

Lemma 6.10. *The d_5 -differentials are linear with respect to $\bar{\kappa}, \nu, v_1, \Delta^2$ and are determined by*

$$\begin{aligned} d_5(\Delta) &= \nu\bar{\kappa}, & d_5(\Delta a[5, 1]) &= \nu\bar{\kappa}a[5, 1] \\ d_5(\Delta a[15, 1]) &= \nu\bar{\kappa}a[15, 1], & d_5(\Delta a[20, 2]) &= \nu\bar{\kappa}a[20, 2] \end{aligned}$$

under multiplication by elements of $\mathbb{F}_2[\Delta^2, \bar{\kappa}, \nu, v_1]/(v_1\nu, \nu^3, \bar{\kappa}v_1^4)$.

Proof. For linearity, we only need to prove the Δ^2 -linearity. Note that $d_5(\Delta) = \nu\bar{\kappa}$ in the elliptic spectral sequence of tmf . By Leibniz rule and the fact that $E_2(Y)$ is 2-torsion,

$$d_5(\Delta^2 x) = 2\Delta d_5(\Delta)x + \Delta^2 d_5(x) = \Delta^2 d_5(x).$$

Using the module structure over the elliptic spectral sequence of tmf , we get

$$d_5(\Delta a[5, 1]) = d_5(\Delta)a[5, 1] + \Delta d_5(a[5, 1]) = \nu\bar{\kappa}a[5, 1].$$

The other arguments are similar. \square

Lemma 6.11. *There are no non-trivial d_7 -differentials.*

Proof. This is an immediate consequence of sparseness. \square

The following observation will be crucial for our computation and is motivated by [Slogan 6.3](#).

Corollary 6.12 (Figure 14). *The $\bar{\kappa}$ -free families on the E_9 -term of the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$ in stems $0 \leq t - s < 48$ are given by the following 24 classes*

$$\begin{array}{lll} a[0, 0] & a[2, 0] = v_1 a[0, 0] & a[4, 0] = v_1^2 a[0, 0] \\ a[5, 1] & a[7, 1] = v_1 a[5, 1] & a[9, 1] = v_1^2 a[5, 1] \\ a[12, 2] & a[14, 2] = v_1 a[12, 2] & a[15, 1] \\ a[17, 3] & a[19, 3] = v_1 a[17, 3] & a[20, 2] \\ a[26, 0] = \Delta v_1 a[0, 0] & a[28, 0] = \Delta v_1^2 a[0, 0] & a[30, 0] = \Delta v_1^3 a[0, 0] \\ a[30, 2] = \Delta v_1^2 a[0, 0] & a[31, 1] = \Delta v_1 a[5, 1] & a[33, 1] = \Delta v_1^2 a[5, 1] \\ a[35, 3] = \Delta v_1^2 a[5, 1] & a[36, 2] = \Delta a[12, 2] & a[38, 2] = \Delta v_1 a[12, 2] \\ a[41, 3] = \Delta a[17, 3] & a[43, 3] = \Delta v_1 a[17, 3] & a[45, 3] = \Delta v_1^2 a[17, 3] \end{array}$$

All $\bar{\kappa}$ -free families at E_9 are given by these classes and their Δ^2 -multiples. All the elements in filtrations four and above are $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiples of these generators.

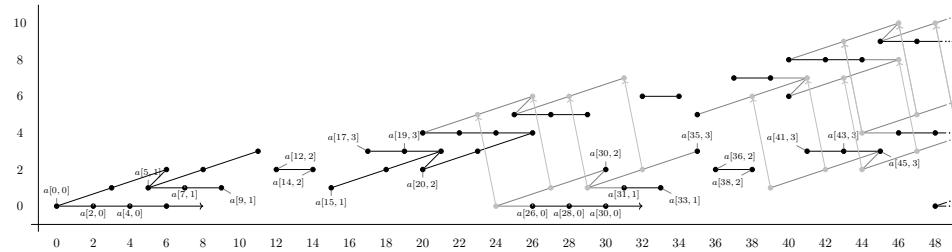


FIGURE 14. d_5 -differentials in stems 0 to 48 and $\bar{\kappa}$ -free generators at E_9

The generators of the $\bar{\kappa}$ -free families in stems $0 \leq t - s < 48$ are presented in [Figure 14](#). The $\bar{\kappa}$ -free generators in the range $0 \leq t - s < 192$ are given by multiples of these with Δ^2, Δ^4 and Δ^6 and all other $\bar{\kappa}$ -free generators are multiples of these with the powers of Δ^8 . By [Corollary 6.2](#), each $\bar{\kappa}$ -free family consisting of permanent cycles is truncated by exactly one other $\bar{\kappa}$ -free family. Thus, using the Δ^8 -linearity and [Corollary 6.4](#), we see that the 24×4 $\bar{\kappa}$ -free generators in the range $0 \leq t - s < 192$ organize themselves as follows. Exactly half of them are permanent cycles and the other half are not. The $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of each non-permanent $\bar{\kappa}$ -free generator supports a differential that hits the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of exactly one of the other permanent generators. Note that the truncation must begin in stems less than four by [Corollary 6.2](#). This allows us to determine longer differentials before settling shorter ones.

All 24 $\bar{\kappa}$ -free generators in the range $0 \leq t - s < 48$ are permanent cycles due to sparseness and in the next section we will find their “partners”.

6.2. The d_9 -differentials. To analyze the d_9 -differentials, we make the following observation, which, in some sense, is a very small part of the geometric boundary theorem as in [Beh12, Appendix 4].

Lemma 6.13. *Let $a \in E_r^{s,t}(Y)$ so that $p_*(a) \in E_r^{s,t-2}(V(0))$. Suppose $p_*(a)$ persists to the $E_{r'}$ term for some $r' \geq r$ and that there is a non-trivial differential, $d_{r'}(p_*a) \neq 0$. Then $d_{r''}(a) \neq 0$ for $r'' \leq r'$.*

Proof. This is a straight forward application of naturality. Our assumptions imply that a cannot be hit by a differential $d_{r''}$ for $r'' \leq r'$ and, furthermore, that if it persists to the $E_{r'}$ term, that $d_{r'}(a) = b'$ for b' such that $p_*b' = b$. \square

The differentials below are depicted in Figures 14, 15, 16 and 17.

Lemma 6.14 (Figures 15, 16 and 17). *There are d_9 -differentials, for $i = 0, 1$,*

- (1) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+2}a[0, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i} v_1 a[5, 1]$
- (2) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+2}a[5, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i} a[12, 2]$
- (3) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+3}v_1 a[0, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i+1} v_1^2 a[5, 1]$
- (4) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+2}a[17, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 \Delta^{4i} v_1^2 a[0, 0]$
- (5) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+3}a[17, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 \Delta^{4i+1} v_1^2 a[0, 0]$
- (6) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+3}a[12, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i+1} v_1 a[17, 3]$
- (7) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+2}a[12, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i} v_1 a[17, 3]$
- (8) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+3}v_1 a[5, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i+1} v_1 a[12, 2]$
- (9) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+2}v_1 a[0, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i} v_1^2 a[5, 1]$
- (10) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+2}v_1 a[5, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i} v_1 a[12, 2]$
- (11) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+3}v_1 a[17, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 \Delta^{4i+1} v_1^3 a[0, 0]$.
- (12) $d_9(\Delta^{4i+3}v_1 a[12, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i+1} v_1^2 a[17, 3]$

Proof. Let $i = 0$. The differentials (1) and (3) are the image of a differential in $E_2(V(0))$ under i_* . The second differential (2) follows v_1 -linearity and from the fact that $d_9(\Delta^{4i+2}x) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i} \kappa$ in $E_2(V(0))$, $i_*(x) = v_1 a[5, 1]$ and $i_*(\kappa) = v_1 a[12, 2]$.

For (4), we use Lemma 6.13. In $E_*(V(0))$, we have $d_{11}(\Delta^2 \eta \kappa) = \eta^2 \bar{\kappa}^3$. Since $p_*(\Delta^2 a[17, 3]) = \Delta^2 \eta \kappa$, $\Delta^2 a[17, 3]$ supports a differential of length at most 11. This d_9 is the only choice. The argument for (5) is the same, with one more power of Δ .

For (6), note that $p_*(\Delta^3 a[12, 2]) = \Delta^3 v_1 \eta x$. Since $d_9(\eta v_1 x) = \nu \kappa \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta$, the class $\Delta^3 a[12, 2]$ supports a differential of length at most 9. This is the only choice.

The arguments (1)–(6) when $i = 1$ are the same as those for $i = 0$.

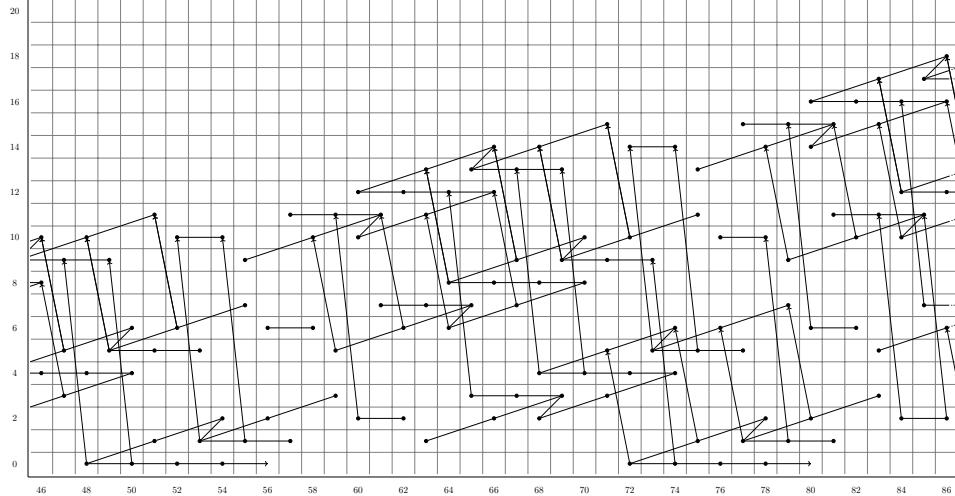
For (7)–(8), note that from our computation above, $tmf_{59}Y \cong \mathbb{Z}/2$. This forces (7) when $i = 0$. Arguing in a similar way, $tmf_{79}Y = 0$, $tmf_{155}Y \cong \mathbb{Z}/2$ and $tmf_{175}Y = 0$ imply the other d_9 s.

The d_9 -differentials (9)–(12) follow from those of (1), (2), (5), (6), respectively, by v_1 -linearity. \square

Remark 6.15. It turns out these are all the d_9 -differentials. For degree reasons, there can be very few other d_9 s. The class $\Delta^5 v_1 a[0, 0]$ is the image of a d_9 -cycle in $E_9(V(0))$ so does not support a d_9 .

The only other possible d_9 differentials for degree reasons are

- A non-trivial d_9 on $\Delta^5 a[17, 3]$. This does not happen since it implies a non-trivial d_9 on $v_1 \Delta^5 a[17, 3] = \Delta^4 a[43, 3]$, but this family has already been paired: it is truncated by $\Delta^6 a[36, 2]$.
- A nontrivial d_9 on $\Delta^4 a[17, 3]$, truncating the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of $\Delta^2 a[4, 0]$. We will see below that this does not happen, but at this point, we leave this undecided.

FIGURE 15. d_5 and d_9 differentials in stems 46 to 86

6.3. Higher differentials. We begin our analysis using [Slogan 6.3](#). The reader should remember that we only need to analyze the generators of the $\bar{\kappa}$ -free families, which are in filtration less than four. All differentials discussed in this section are depicted in Figures 19 and 20.

Lemma 6.16. *There are differentials*

- (1) $d_{19}(\Delta^4 a[5, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 a[0, 0]$
- (2) $d_{19}(\Delta^5 v_1 a[5, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 \Delta v_1 a[0, 0]$
- (3) $d_{19}(\Delta^4 a[36, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 a[31, 1]$
- (4) $d_{19}(\Delta^4 a[41, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 a[36, 2]$
- (5) $d_{19}(\Delta^4 a[26, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^4 a[41, 3]$

Proof. For (1), since the element $\bar{\kappa}^4 \in \pi_{80}(tmf \wedge V(0))$ is not divisible by η and $\bar{\kappa}^5 \in \pi_{100}(tmf \wedge V(0))$ is divisible by η , the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of $a[0, 0]$ in the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$ must be truncated at $\bar{\kappa}^5 a[0, 0]$. Remembering that the source has to have filtration less than four, the only possibility is this differential.

Inspection then show that the differentials (2)-(4) are the only possibilities to satisfy [Slogan 6.3](#). \square

Lemma 6.17. *There are differentials*

- (1) $d_{17}(\Delta^4 a[0, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^4 a[15, 1]$

$$(2) \quad d_{17}(\Delta^4 a[15, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^4 a[30, 2]$$

Proof. For (1), note that in $\pi_*(tmf \wedge V(0))$, $\bar{\kappa}^3 y$ is not divisible by η and $\bar{\kappa}^4 y = 0$. The class y maps to $a[15, 1]$ under i_* so it follows that the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of $a[15, 1]$ is truncated at $\bar{\kappa}^4 a[15, 1]$. The only possibility is this differential.

For (2), using the long exact sequence, we obtain that $\pi_{111}(tmf \wedge Y) = \mathbb{Z}/2$. By part [Lemma 6.16 \(3\)](#), the class $\bar{\kappa}^4 a[31, 1] \in E_5^{17, 128}$ survives the spectral sequence and so detects the unique non-trivial class of $\pi_{111}(tmf \wedge Y)$. This implies that the class $\Delta^4 a[15, 1] \in E_5^{1, 112}$ must support a differential. Taking into account the d_9 differentials proves (2). \square

Lemma 6.18. *There is a differential $d_{23}(\Delta^4 a[30, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^6 a[5, 1]$.*

Proof. By inspection, taking into account the d_9 s, the only generators that can be paired with $a[5, 1]$ are $\Delta^4 a[30, 2]$ and $\Delta^4 a[30, 0]$. However, it cannot be $\Delta^4 a[30, 0]$ because such a differential would have length 25, contradicting [Lemma 6.5](#). \square

Lemma 6.19. *For $i = 0, 1$, there are differentials:*

- (1) $d_{11}(\Delta^{4i+2} a[15, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 \Delta^{4i} a[2, 0]$
- (2) $d_{11}(\Delta^{4i+2} a[28, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^{4i} a[35, 3]$

Proof. In (1), for both $i = 0, 1$, these are the image of differentials in the spectral sequence $E_*(V(0))$. Both source and targets survive to $E_{11}(Y)$ and so these two differentials occur.

For (2), the long exact sequence shows that $\pi_{75}(tmf \wedge Y) = \mathbb{Z}/2$. [Lemma 6.17 \(1\)](#) implies that the class $\bar{\kappa}^3 a[15, 1] \in E_7^{13, 88}$ survives the spectral sequence and detects the unique non-trivial element of the $\pi_{75}(tmf \wedge Y)$. On the other hand, the class $\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta \nu^2 a[5, 1] \in E_7^{11, 86}$ is a permanent cycle. Thus, it must be hit by a differential and this is the possibility.

For $i = 1$, by taking into account the d_9 -differentials and the d_{17} -differential [Lemma 6.17 \(2\)](#), we see that $\Delta^4 a[35, 3]$ is a permanent cycle, which is $\bar{\kappa}$ -free at the E_{11} -term. By inspection, the only class which can truncate its κ -family is $\Delta^6 a[28, 0]$ by the indicated d_{11} -differential. \square

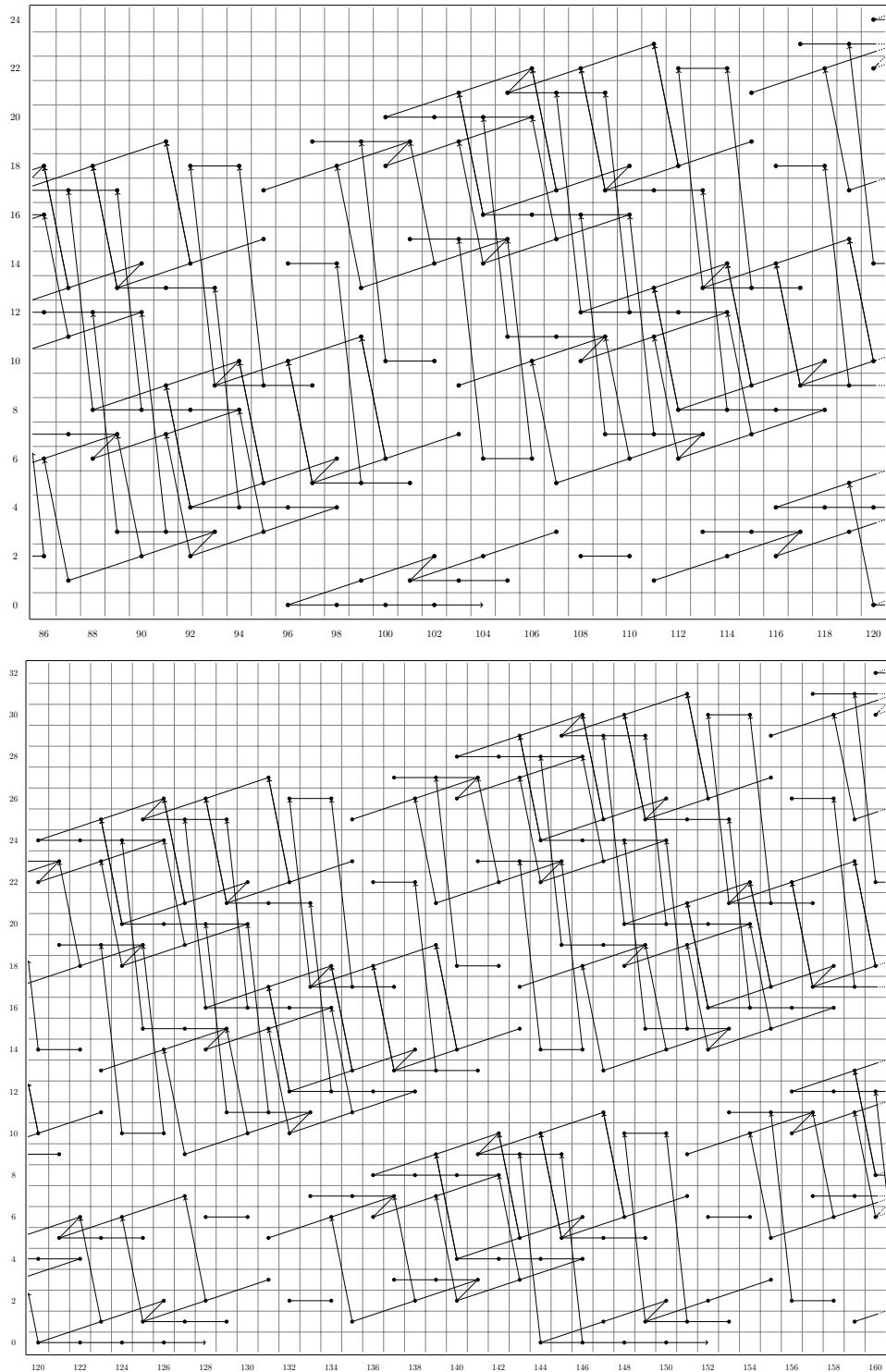
Lemma 6.20. *There are differentials:*

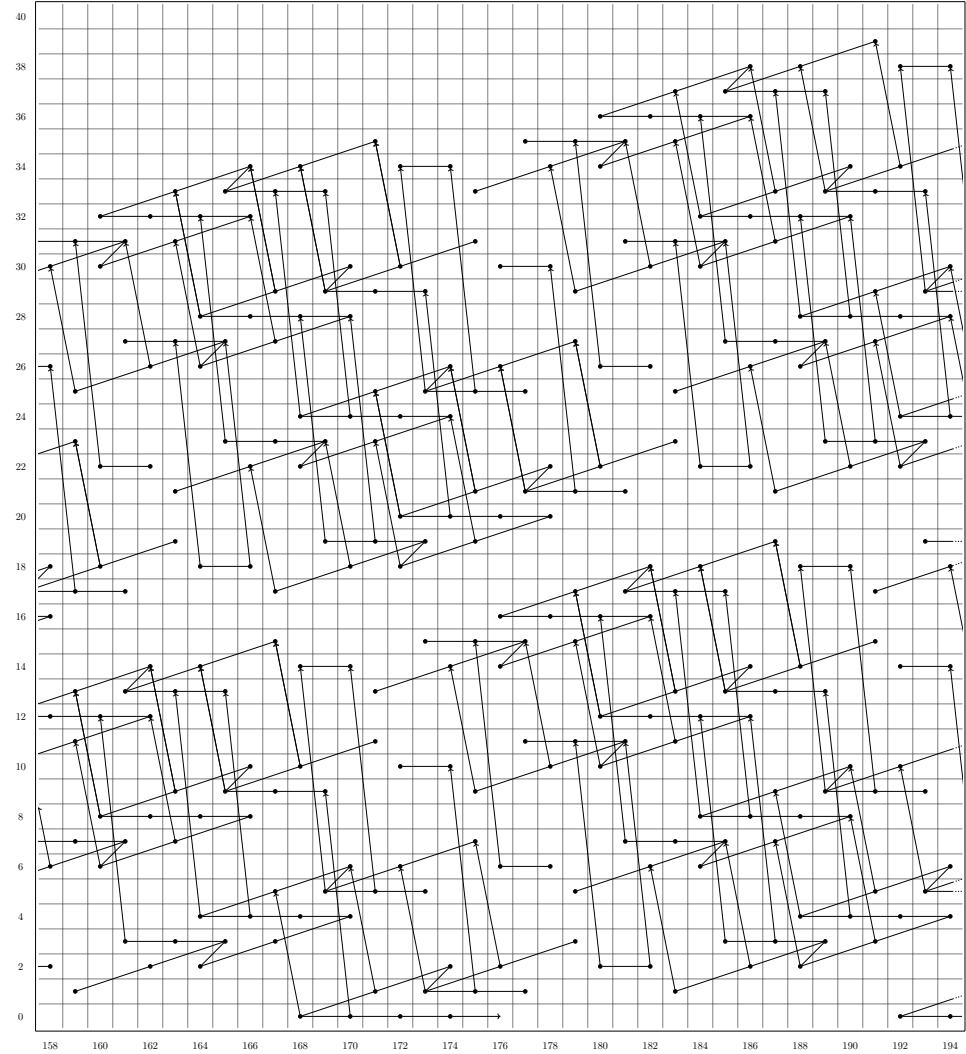
- (1) $d_{13}(\Delta^2 a[30, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 a[17, 3]$
- (2) $d_{13}(\Delta^2 a[33, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 a[20, 2]$

Proof. For (1), it follows from [\(6.7\)](#) that $\pi_{78}(tmf \wedge Y) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2$. By sparseness, either $\Delta^2 a[30, 2]$ or $\Delta^2 a[30, 0]$ is a permanent cycle detecting the non-zero element of $\pi_{78}(tmf \wedge Y)$. Suppose that

$$\Delta^2 a[30, 2] = \Delta^3 \nu^2 a[0, 0]$$

is a permanent cycle detecting a class $\alpha \in \pi_{78}(tmf \wedge Y)$. At E_2 , $\Delta^3 \nu^2 a[0, 0]$ is in the image of $i_*: E_2(V(0)) \rightarrow E_2(Y)$ and so $p_*(\Delta^3 \nu^2 a[0, 0]) = 0$. However, since $\pi_{78}(tmf \wedge V(0)) = 0$, $p_* \alpha \neq 0$ in $\pi_{76}(tmf \wedge V(0))$ and so is detected by a non-zero class in filtration $s > 2$, but such a class does not exist. We conclude that $\Delta^2 a[30, 0]$ is a permanent cycle and that $\Delta^2 a[30, 2]$ supports the stated differential. For (2), by inspection, only $\Delta^2 a[33, 1]$ and $\Delta^4 a[5, 1]$ can support differentials truncating the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of $a[20, 2]$. But $\Delta^4 a[5, 1]$ is already paired with $a[0, 0]$. \square

FIGURE 16. d_5 and d_9 differentials in stems 86 to 160

FIGURE 17. d_5 and d_9 differentials in stems 160 to 194

Proposition 6.21. *The following classes are $\bar{\kappa}$ -free permanent cycles:*

$$(A) : \begin{array}{ccccc} \Delta^2 a[4, 0] & \Delta^2 a[9, 1] & \Delta^2 a[14, 2] & \Delta^2 a[19, 3] & \Delta^2 a[20, 2] \\ \Delta^2 a[30, 0] & \Delta^2 a[35, 3] & \Delta^2 a[45, 3] & \Delta^4 a[17, 3] & \Delta^4 a[20, 2] \end{array}$$

and the following classes are not permanent cycles:

$$(B) : \begin{array}{ccccc} \Delta^6 a[4, 0] & \Delta^6 a[9, 1] & \Delta^6 a[14, 2] & \Delta^6 a[19, 3] & \Delta^6 a[20, 2] \\ \Delta^6 a[30, 0] & \Delta^6 a[30, 2] & \Delta^6 a[33, 1] & \Delta^6 a[35, 3] & \Delta^6 a[45, 3] \end{array}$$

Consequently, in the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$, each generator in (B) truncates some $\bar{\kappa}$ -multiple of one and only one generator in (A).

Proof. These are the remaining generators of $\bar{\kappa}$ -free families. No class in (B) can be a permanent cycle because the $\bar{\kappa}$ -family of a class of (B) cannot be truncated.

This means that all the 10 classes of (B) are non-permanent cycles, and so all the 10 classes of (A) are permanent cycles. \square

Lemma 6.22. *We have the following differentials:*

- (1) $d_{19}(\Delta^6 a[4, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^4 \Delta^2 a[19, 3]$
- (2) $d_{19}(\Delta^6 a[9, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 \Delta^2 a[4, 0]$
- (3) $d_{19}(\Delta^6 a[14, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 \Delta^2 a[9, 1]$
- (4) $d_{19}(\Delta^6 a[19, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 \Delta^2 a[14, 2]$
- (5) $d_{17}(\Delta^6 a[20, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^4 \Delta^2 a[35, 3]$
- (6) $d_{13}(\Delta^6 a[33, 1]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 \Delta^4 a[20, 2]$
- (7) $d_{17}(\Delta^6 a[35, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^5 \Delta^2 a[30, 0]$
- (8) $d_{23}(\Delta^6 a[45, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^6 \Delta^2 a[20, 2]$

Proof. Taking into account the differentials shown above, these are only possible pairings remaining between the classes in (B) which are the sources in (1)–(8) and classes of (A). \square

Remark 6.23. There are only two generators in (B) left living in the same topological degree, namely $\Delta^6 a[30, 0]$ and $\Delta^6 a[30, 2]$. Each of these supports a differential truncating the $\bar{\kappa}$ -families of either $\Delta^4 a[17, 3]$ or $\Delta^2 a[45, 3]$ and one differential determines the other.

Determining the last differential pattern turns out to be unfortunately tricky (as far as we know). A crucial step towards settling the last differentials is to establish the following extension in the E_∞ -term of the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$.

Proposition 6.24. *There is an exotic extension*

$$\nu^2(\nu \Delta^6 a[0, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

To prove this extension, we need some intermediate results.

Lemma 6.25. *In $\text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{*,*}(A', A'/(2, a_1) \otimes \mathcal{F}_*(Y))$, there is a Massey product*

$$\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle = \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

Proof. Since $\Delta^4 a[12, 2] = \eta \Delta^4 a[11, 1]$ (see Figure 12), we have that

$$\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle = \langle \eta, \nu, \eta \Delta^4 a[11, 1] \rangle \supseteq \langle \eta, \nu, \eta \rangle \Delta^4 a[11, 1] = \nu^2 a[11, 1] = a[17, 1].$$

The indeterminacy is zero since

$$\eta \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{2,114}(A', A'/(2, a_1) \otimes \mathcal{F}_*(Y)) + \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{1,6}(A', A'/(2)) \Delta^4 a[12, 2] = 0. \quad \square$$

Proposition 6.26. *In $\text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{*,*}(A', \mathcal{F}_*(Y))$, there is a Massey product*

$$\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle = \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

Proof. Let $f_*: \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{*,*}(A', \mathcal{F}_*(Y)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\Lambda'}^{*,*}(A', A'/(2, a_1) \otimes \mathcal{F}_*(Y))$ be the map induced by the Λ -comodule homomorphism $\mathcal{F}_*(Y) \rightarrow A'/(2, a_1) \otimes \mathcal{F}_*(Y)$. By naturality of Massey products, we have that

$$f_*(\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle) \subseteq \langle \eta, \nu, f_*(\Delta^4 a[12, 2]) \rangle.$$

Further, $f_*(\Delta^4 a[12, 2]) = \Delta^4 a[12, 2]$. By Lemma 6.25, the above equation gives

$$f_*(\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle) = \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

The pre-image of $\Delta^4 a[17, 3]$ is the same-named class. The indeterminacy is zero. \square

Lemma 6.27. *There is an element of $\pi_{108}(tmf \wedge Y)$ detected by $\Delta^4 a[12, 2]$ and annihilated by $\bar{\kappa}^2$.*

Proof. We have already determined $E_\infty(Y)$ in stems $t - s = 108, 148$. We see that there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\{\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^2 a[20, 2]\} \rightarrow G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\{\Delta^4 a[12, 2]\} \rightarrow 0$$

where $G \subseteq \pi_{108}(tmf \wedge Y)$ is the subgroup of elements detected in positive filtration. At the E_∞ -term in stem $t - s = 148$, the only non-zero class in positive filtration is $\bar{\kappa}^4 \Delta^2 a[20, 2]$. In particular, $\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[12, 2] = 0$. So, one of the classes detected by $\Delta^4 a[12, 2]$ satisfies the claim. \square

We will denote also by $\Delta^4 a[12, 2]$ the element in $\pi_{108}(tmf \wedge Y)$, which is detected by $\Delta^4 a[12, 2]$ and is annihilated by $\bar{\kappa}^2$.

Proposition 6.28. *There are the following relations in $\pi_*(tmf \wedge Y)$:*

- (1) $\nu^2[\nu \Delta^6 a[0, 0]] \neq 0$
- (2) $\eta[\nu \Delta^6 a[0, 0]] = 0$

Proof. The class detected by $\nu \Delta^6 a[0, 0]$ lifts to $\pi_*(tmf \wedge V(0))$ and there is a lift detected by $\nu \Delta^6$. But in $\pi_*(tmf \wedge V(0))$, $\nu^2[\nu \Delta^6]$ is not divisible by η . \square

Now, we use the truncated spectral sequences of [Section 2.2](#), applied to the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$. As in [Section 2.2](#), let

$$\text{sk}_{16}(tmf \wedge Y) = X_0/X_{17}$$

for X_n the n th term of the $X(4)$ -Adams tower of $tmf \wedge Y$. Then $E_{r, < 17}^{*, *}(Y)$ as in [Section 2.2](#) is a spectral sequence computing $\pi_* \text{sk}_{16}(tmf \wedge Y)$, and it satisfies $E_{r, < 17}^{s, *}(Y) = 0$ for $s \geq 17$. Furthermore, we have a map of spectral sequences

$$T_r^{s, t}: E_r^{s, t}(Y) \rightarrow E_{r, < 17}^{s, t}(Y).$$

Proposition 6.29. *In $\pi_*(\text{sk}_{16}(tmf \wedge Y))$, we have*

$$\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle = \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

Proof. In $\pi_*(tmf \wedge Y)$, the product $\nu \Delta^4 a[12, 2]$, if not trivial, is detected in filtration 17. It follows that $\nu \Delta^4 a[12, 2]$ is equal to zero in $\pi_*(\text{sk}_{16}(tmf \wedge Y))$. Thus, the Toda bracket $\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle$ can be formed. [Proposition 6.26](#) means that in $E_{2, < 17}^{s, t}(Y)$, there is Massey product

$$\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle = \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

The conditions of the Moss Convergence Theorem [[Mos70](#)] are satisfied, so the Toda bracket $\langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle$ contains $\Delta^4 a[17, 3]$ and the indeterminacy is zero. \square

Proposition 6.30. *In the elliptic spectral sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$, there is an exotic extension*

$$\eta a[152, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

Proof. Since $\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3]$ lives in filtration $s = 11$, it suffices to prove that extension in the E_∞ -term of the spectral sequence for $\text{sk}_{16}(tmf \wedge Y)$. The above proposition and the choice of $\Delta^4 a[12, 2]$ imply that

$$\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3] = \langle \eta, \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2] \rangle \bar{\kappa}^2 = \eta \langle \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2], \bar{\kappa}^2 \rangle.$$

Since $\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3] \neq 0$ at E_∞ , $\langle \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2], \bar{\kappa}^2 \rangle$ must be non-trivial, and it must be detected by a class which is not in the kernel of η . This forces $\langle \nu, \Delta^4 a[12, 2], \bar{\kappa}^2 \rangle$ to be detected by $a[152, 2]$, and so $\eta a[152, 2]$ is detected by $\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3]$. \square

Proof of Proposition 6.24. Let $\beta = [\nu \Delta^6 a[0, 0]]$. By Proposition 6.28, $\eta \beta = 0$ and we can form the Toda bracket $\langle \nu, \eta, \beta \rangle$. Then

$$\eta \langle \nu, \eta, \beta \rangle = \langle \eta, \nu, \eta \rangle \beta = \nu^2 \beta$$

On the other hand, $\nu^2 \beta \neq 0$ by Proposition 6.28. It follows that $\langle \nu, \eta, \beta \rangle \neq 0$. We see that it must be detected by $a[152, 2]$. So $\eta a[152, 2] = \nu^2 \beta$ and Proposition 6.30 implies that $\nu^2 \beta$ is detected by $\bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3]$. \square

Lemma 6.31. *There are differentials:*

- (1) $d_{13}(\Delta^6 a[30, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 \Delta^4 a[17, 3]$
- (2) $d_{19}(\Delta^6 a[30, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^4 \Delta^2 a[45, 3]$

Proof. Let

$$tmf \wedge Y \leftarrow (tmf \wedge Y)_1 \leftarrow (tmf \wedge Y)_2 \leftarrow \dots$$

be the Adams tower associated to the $X(4)$ -based resolution of $tmf \wedge Y$. We consider its 1-co-truncated tower and the induced map of spectral sequences

$$cT_r^{s,t} : E_{r,\geq 1}^{s,t} \rightarrow E_r^{s,t}.$$

By Lemma 2.2, $cT_r^{s,t}$ is surjective for $s \geq 1$.

Let $a = \nu^2 \Delta^6 a[0, 0] \in E_2^{2,150+2}$. This is a permanent cycle representing a unique non-zero element of $\pi_{150}(tmf \wedge Y)$, which in this proof we denote by α . Since a has positive filtration, there is a class $\bar{a} \in E_{2,\geq 1}^{2,150+2}$ such that $cT_2(\bar{a}) = a$ and the surjectivity of cT_∞ guarantees that we can choose \bar{a} to be a permanent cycle. It then detects classes $\bar{\alpha} \in \pi_{150}((tmf \wedge Y)_1)$ that map to α .

Since $\nu \alpha$ is detected by $b = \bar{\kappa}^2 \Delta^4 a[17, 3] \in E_\infty^{11,153+11}$ (Proposition 6.24), $\nu \bar{\alpha}$ must be detected in $E_\infty^{s,153+s}(cT_1)$ for $3 \leq s \leq 11$. Since $E_2^{s,153+s}(cT_1) = 0$ for $3 \leq s \leq 10$ (this is true for $E_2^{*,*}$), $\nu \bar{\alpha}$ must be detected by a lift \bar{b} of b .

The relation $\bar{\kappa} \nu = 0 \in \pi_* tmf$ implies that $\bar{\kappa} \nu \bar{\alpha} = 0 \in \pi_*((tmf \wedge Y)_1)$. This implies that $d_r(\bar{c}) = \bar{\kappa} \bar{b}$ for some non-trivial element $\bar{c} \in E_{r,\geq 1}^{15-r,174+(15-r)}$. As $E_{2,\geq 1}^{0,*} = 0$, \bar{c} must live in filtration $1 \leq s \leq 13$, and hence so does $cT_r(\bar{c})$. In particular, $cT_r(\bar{c}) \neq \Delta^6 a[30, 0]$. However, we find that

$$d_r(cT_r(\bar{c})) = cT_r(\bar{\kappa} \bar{b}) = \bar{\kappa} \cdot cT_r(\bar{b}) = \bar{\kappa}^3 \Delta^4 a[17, 3].$$

The only way for this to make sense is if $cT_r(\bar{c})$ is equal to $\Delta^6 a[30, 2]$ and this is the desired differential (1).

This differential then determines (2) as noted in Remark 6.23. \square

Remark 6.32. From this discussion, we also learn that there is a non-trivial class in $i_* \pi_{150} V(0)$ which is detected by $a[153, 11]$.

6.4. Exotic extensions. In this section we resolve the exotic 2, η , ν and v_1 extensions in the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$. The extensions are depicted in Figures 21 and 22.

We begin with the exotic η -extensions, which are few. To determine them, we use the following strategies. First, the long exact sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow tmf_{*+1}V(0) \xrightarrow{\eta_*} tmf_*V(0) \xrightarrow{i_*} tmf_*Y \xrightarrow{p_*} tmf_{*-1}V(0) \rightarrow \dots$$

We use the following basic, but useful facts.

Lemma 6.33. *For $a \in tmf_*Y$ and $b \in tmf_*V(0)$,*

- (1) *if $a = i_*b$, then $\eta a = i_*\eta b = 0$,*
- (2) *$p_*\eta a = \eta p_*a = 0$, and*
- (3) *$v_1\eta a = \eta v_1a$.*

Proof. These are easy consequences of the long exact sequence on homotopy groups combined with the fact that composition as well as the smash product induces the π_*S^0 -module structure in the stable homotopy category. \square

Note further that Corollary 2.10 as described in Remark 2.14 gives a way to relate extensions in different stems between the v_1 -power torsion classes. We also use Lemma 2.19 and Lemma 2.21

A stem-by-stem analysis using the above techniques then allows us to determine that the only non-trivial exotic η -extensions are as follows:

Lemma 6.34. *In the elliptic spectral sequence of Y , there are exotic extensions*

- (1) $\eta[\Delta^2\nu a[5, 1]] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[17, 3]$
- (2) $\eta[\Delta^4\nu a[5, 1]] = \bar{\kappa}^5 a[5, 1]$
- (3) $\eta[\Delta^6\nu a[5, 1]] = \bar{\kappa}^2[\Delta^4 a[17, 3]]$
- (4) $\eta[\Delta^6\nu a[20, 2]] = \bar{\kappa}^5[\Delta^2 a[20, 2]]$

There are no other exotic η -extensions.

Proof. The first extension (1) follows from Lemma 2.21. The extension (2) and (4) follow from duality: (2) from $\eta[\Delta^2 a[20, 2]] = [\Delta^2 v_1^2 a[17, 3]]$ and (4) from $\eta a[5, 1] = \nu^2 a[0, 0]$. Finally, (3) is Proposition 6.30.

All possible exotic η -extensions are shown not to occur using Lemma 6.33, duality and Lemma 2.21. In particular, the possible η -extensions with source in stems $52 \leq t - s \leq 57$ are shown not to occur using Lemma 2.21 and v_1 -linearity. \square

Now, we turn to the exotic 2-extensions.

Theorem 6.35. *There are no exotic 2-extensions in the elliptic spectral sequence for Y and, consequently,*

$$2(\pi_*tmf \wedge Y) = 0.$$

Proof. Since we have a cofiber sequence

$$tmf \wedge C_\eta \xrightarrow{2} tmf \wedge C_\eta \xrightarrow{j_*} tmf \wedge Y \xrightarrow{q_*} \Sigma tmf \wedge C_\eta,$$

we can apply Lemma 2.19 with $X = tmf \wedge C_\eta$, $i = j$ and $p = q$. From this, we deduce that if $a' \in \pi_*tmf \wedge Y$ is in the image of j_* , then it has order 2 and that if $q_*(a') = a$, then $2a' = j_*(\eta a)$. It follows that if $2a' \neq 0$, then $2a'$ is divisible by η .

This leaves one possible extension in stem 57. But such a 2-extension would lead, by duality, to a 2-extension in stem 116. However, there are no η -divisible classes in that stem. Since the E_2 -term was 2-torsion and there are no exotic 2-extensions, $\pi_*tmf \wedge Y$ is annihilated by 2. \square

Next, we turn to the ν extensions.

Remark 6.36. We will use without mention that $\bar{\kappa}\nu = 0$ in tmf_* -modules. This allows us to eliminate many possible exotic ν -extensions.

Lemma 6.37. *In the elliptic spectral sequence of Y , there are exotic extensions*

- (1) $\nu a[26, 0] = a[29, 5]$
- (2) $\nu a[41, 3] = a[44, 8]$
- (3) $\nu a[52, 0] = a[55, 7]$
- (4) $\nu a[54, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[17, 3]$
- (5) $\nu a[67, 3] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[30, 0]$
- (6) $\nu a[98, 0] = a[101, 15]$
- (7) $\nu a[102, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^5 a[5, 1]$
- (8) $\nu a[103, 1] = a[106, 16]$
- (9) $\nu a[124, 0] = a[127, 15]$
- (10) $\nu a[129, 1] = a[132, 16]$
- (11) $\nu a[150, 2] = a[153, 11]$
- (12) $\nu a[155, 3] = a[158, 16]$
- (13) $\nu a[165, 3] = a[168, 22]$

Proof. The extensions (1) and (6) follow from the extensions $\nu a[26, 0] = a[29, 5]$ and $a[98, 0] = a[101, 15]$, respectively, in $\pi_*tmf \wedge V(0)$ by applying i_* . The extensions (2), (3), (5) and (9) follow from examining the effect of p_* and the extensions $\nu a[39, 3] = a[42, 10]$, $\nu a[50, 2] = a[53, 7]$, $\nu a[65, 3] = a[68, 10]$ and $\nu a[122, 2] = a[125, 21]$ in $\pi_*tmf \wedge V(0)$, respectively.

Extensions (4), (7), (12) and (13) are obtained by duality from algebraic extensions. The extensions (10) and (8) follow by duality from (2) and (5).

The extension (11) is proved in Proposition 6.24. \square

Lemma 6.38. *In the elliptic spectral sequence of Y , there are exotic extensions*

- (1) $\nu a[57, 1] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[20, 2]$
- (2) $\nu a[62, 2] = \bar{\kappa} a[45, 3]$
- Dually, we have
- (3) $\nu a[108, 2] = a[111, 17]$
- (4) $\nu a[113, 3] = a[116, 18]$

Together with Lemma 6.37, there are no other non-trivial exotic ν -extensions.

To prove Lemma 6.38, we use the tmf -based Atiyah–Hirzebruch spectral sequence for Y , whose filtration comes from the cellular filtration of Y . To set up notation, we have the E_1 -page of this spectral sequence

$$E_1 = \bigoplus_{n=0}^3 \pi_* tmf \implies \pi_{*+n} tmf \wedge Y.$$

For a homotopy class β in $\pi_*tmf \wedge Y$, we denote by $\alpha[n]$ the element that detects it in the E_1 -page of the tmf -based Atiyah–Hirzebruch spectral sequence, where n

is the Atiyah–Hirzebruch filtration of β , and α is a class in π_*tmf . The stem of β is then the stem of α plus n .

Proof of Lemma 6.38. In our Atiyah–Hirzebruch notation, we can rewrite the two ν -extensions of Lemma 6.38 as

- (1) $\nu \cdot \bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa[3] = \Delta \eta \kappa \bar{\kappa}[1]$,
- (2) $\nu \cdot \bar{\kappa}^3[2] = \Delta^2 \nu \kappa[0]$.

We first prove (2), namely, that $\nu \cdot \bar{\kappa}^3[2] = \Delta^2 \nu \kappa[0]$. In $\pi_*tmf \wedge C_\eta$, we have

$$\nu \cdot \bar{\kappa}^3[2] = \langle \nu, \bar{\kappa}^3, \eta \rangle[0]$$

by Lemma 5.3 of [WX18]. By Moss’s Theorem and the differential $d_{11}(\Delta^2 \kappa) = \eta \bar{\kappa}^3$ in the elliptic spectral sequence of tmf , we have

$$\langle \nu, \bar{\kappa}^3, \eta \rangle = \Delta^2 \nu \kappa.$$

Mapping this relation along the inclusion $C_\eta \rightarrow Y$ gives us (2).

For (1), note that in $\pi_*tmf \wedge \Sigma C_\eta$, we have

$$\nu \cdot \bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa[3] = \langle \nu, \bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa, \eta \rangle[1]$$

by Lemma 5.3 of [WX18]. Since $\bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa$ is ν -divisible in π_*tmf , we may shuffle

$$\langle \nu, \bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa, \eta \rangle = \langle \bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa, \nu, \eta \rangle.$$

By Moss’s theorem and the differential $d_5(\Delta \kappa \bar{\kappa}) = \nu \bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa$ in tmf , we have

$$\langle \bar{\kappa}^2 \kappa, \nu, \eta \rangle = \Delta \eta \kappa \bar{\kappa}.$$

Pulling back this relation along the quotient map $Y \rightarrow \Sigma C_\eta$ gives (1).

Extensions (3) and (4) follow by duality. The fact that there are no other exotic ν -extensions is discussed below. \square

Most possibilities for other exotic ν -extensions are ruled out in a straightforward way by analyzing i_* and p_* , duality, the fact that $\bar{\kappa} \nu = 0$. However, the following two extensions require us to analyze the classical Adams Spectral Sequence. The following proof depends on checking algebraic extensions in

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}((H\mathbb{F}_2)^*(tmf \wedge Y), (H\mathbb{F}_2)^*)$$

using Bruner’s Ext-program [Bru]. See Figure 18 for classical Adams E_2 -charts for $tmf \wedge V(0)$ and $tmf \wedge Y$, and see [DFHH14, Chapter 13] for tmf .

Lemma 6.39. *In $\pi_*tmf \wedge Y$,*

- (1) $\nu a[31, 1] = 0$
- (2) $\nu a[36, 2] = 0$

Dually, we have

- (3) $\nu a[134, 2] = 0$
- (4) $\nu a[139, 3] = 0$

Proof. To show this, we need to prove that

- (1) $\nu a[31, 1] \neq a[34, 6]$,
- (2) $\nu a[36, 2] \neq a[39, 7]$.

In our Atiyah–Hirzebruch notation, we can rewrite these extensions as

- (1) $\nu \cdot \kappa^2[3] \neq \kappa \bar{\kappa}[0]$,

$$(2) \quad \nu \cdot \Delta\nu^3[3] \neq \Delta\eta\kappa[0].$$

We give a proof for (1) that $\nu \cdot \kappa^2[3] \neq \kappa\bar{\kappa}[0]$ using the classical Adams Spectral Sequence. We consider the Adams Spectral Sequence for $tmf \wedge Y$ and its subquotients. We will show that the Adams filtration of $\kappa^2[3]$ is 7 and the Adams filtration of $\kappa\bar{\kappa}[0]$ is 8. The fact that there is no such ν -extension follows from the algebraic fact that on the Adams E_2 -page, the h_2 -multiple of the first element is not the second element, which is checked by a computer program.

For the class $\kappa\bar{\kappa}[0]$, it is clear that the Adams filtration of $\kappa\bar{\kappa}$ in $\pi_{34}tmf$ is 8, (it is detected by the element d_0g ,) and it maps nontrivially on the Adams E_2 -pages along the map $tmf \rightarrow tmf \wedge Y$. The image under this map, which we denoted by $d_0g[0]$, is a permanent cycle. It cannot be killed due to filtration reasons. Therefore, the class $\kappa\bar{\kappa}[0]$ is detected by $d_0g[0]$ and, in particular, it has Adams filtration 8.

For the class $\kappa^2[3]$, we first consider the class $\kappa^2[1]$ in $\pi_{29}tmf \wedge V(0)$. Since $\pi_{29}tmf = 0, \pi_{30}tmf = 0$, we have $\pi_{30}tmf \wedge V(0) = 0$. This forces three nonzero Adams differentials eliminating the three elements in the Adams E_2 -page for $tmf \wedge V(0)$. In particular, we learn that $\kappa^2[1]$ in $\pi_{29}tmf \wedge V(0)$ is detected by the only remaining element $j[0]$ in Adams filtration 7, and that there is a nonzero d_3 -differential from $(t-s, s)$ -bidegrees $(31, 6)$ to $(30, 9)$.

Considering the quotient map $tmf \wedge Y \rightarrow tmf \wedge \Sigma^2 V(0)$, we learn that $\kappa^2[3]$ is detected in Adams filtration at most 7. Considering the induced map on the Adams E_2 -pages, we also learn that it is an isomorphism on the $(t-s, s)$ -bidegrees $(31, 6)$ and $(30, 9)$. So, in particular, the element in $(t-s, s)$ -bidegree $(31, 6)$ does not survive. Therefore, $\kappa^2[3]$ is detected in Adams filtration exactly 7.

For (2), that $\nu \cdot \Delta\nu^3[3] \neq \Delta\eta\kappa[0]$, we use the Adams spectral sequence again in a very similar way. We will show that the Adams filtration of $\Delta\nu^3[3]$ is 8 and the Adams filtration of $\Delta\eta\kappa[0]$ is 9. The fact that there is no such extensions then follows as in (1).

For the class $\Delta\eta\kappa[0]$, it is clear that the Adams filtration of $\Delta\eta\kappa$ in $\pi_{39}tmf$ is 9, (it is detected by the element u ,) and it maps nontrivially on the Adams E_2 -pages along the map $tmf \rightarrow tmf \wedge Y$. The image under this map, which we denoted by $d_0g[0]$, is a permanent cycle. It cannot be killed due to filtration reasons. Therefore, the class $\Delta\eta\kappa[0]$ is detected by $u[0]$, and in particular it has Adams filtration 9.

For the class $\Delta\nu^3[3]$, we first consider the class $\Delta\nu^3$ in $\pi_{33}tmf$. The class $\Delta\nu^3$ in $\pi_{33}tmf$ is detected in the Adams filtration 8. Considering the quotient map $tmf \wedge Y \rightarrow \Sigma^3 tmf$, we learn that $\Delta\nu^3[3]$ is detected in Adams filtration at most 8. To show that it is detected in Adams filtration 8, we will show that the only other element in lower filtration, the class in $(t-s, s)$ -bidegree $(36, 7)$, supports a nonzero d_2 -differential.

The maps in the zigzag

$$tmf \wedge S^1 \longleftarrow tmf \wedge V(0) \longrightarrow tmf \wedge Y$$

are isomorphisms in $(t-s, s)$ -bidegrees $(36, 7)$ and $(35, 9)$ on Adams E_2 -pages. So the claimed nonzero d_2 -differential follows from the one in the Adams spectral sequence of tmf , from $(t-s, s)$ -bidegrees $(35, 7)$ and $(34, 9)$. \square

We now turn to the study of the v_1 -extensions. First, recall the discussion on v_1 -self maps and A_1 from Section 2.6. The homotopy groups of $tmf \wedge A_1$ are studied by

the third author in [Pha18]. Furthermore, the knowledge of the homotopy groups of $tmf \wedge A_1$ are sufficient to allow us to deduce much of the action of v_1 on the homotopy groups of $tmf \wedge Y$, via the long exact sequence on homotopy of the cofiber sequence

$$tmf \wedge \Sigma^2 Y \xrightarrow{v_1} tmf \wedge Y \rightarrow tmf \wedge A_1.$$

Since the outcome depends on the choice of the v_1 -self-map, we call a v_1 -self-map of type *I* if its cofiber is $A_1[01]$ or $A_1[10]$ and of type *II*, otherwise. Again, see Section 2.6 for the definition of $A_1[ij]$.

Lemma 6.40. *(a) For all v_1 -self maps of Y , there exotic v_1 -extensions and those induced by $\bar{\kappa}$ -linearity:*

- (1) $v_1a[9, 1] = a[11, 3]$
- (2) $v_1a[15, 1] = a[17, 3]$
- (3) $v_1a[30, 2] = \bar{\kappa}a[12, 2]$
- (4) $v_1a[33, 1] = a[35, 3]$
- (5) $v_1a[38, 2] = \bar{\kappa}a[20, 2]$
- (6) $v_1\Delta^2 a[9, 1] = \Delta^2 a[11, 3]$
- (7) $v_1a[99, 1] = \bar{\kappa}^3 a[21, 3]$
- (8) $v_1a[104, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^4 a[26, 0]$
- (9) $v_1a[105, 1] = a[107, 3]$
- (10) $v_1(v_1a[108, 2]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 a[52, 0]$
- (11) $v_1a[114, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^4 a[36, 2]$
- (12) either $v_1a[116, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[78, 0]$ or $v_1a[116, 2] = \bar{\kappa}a[98, 0]$
- (13) $v_1\bar{\kappa}a[105, 1] = \bar{\kappa}^3 a[67, 3]$
- (14) $v_1a[129, 1] = a[131, 3]$
- (15) either $v_1a[131, 3] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[93, 3]$ or $v_1a[131, 3] = \bar{\kappa}a[113, 3]$.
- (16) $v_1a[134, 2] = \bar{\kappa}a[116, 2]$
- (17) $v_1\bar{\kappa}a[115, 3] = \bar{\kappa}a[117, 13]$
- (18) $v_1(v_1a[139, 3]) = \bar{\kappa}^3 a[83, 3]$
- (19) $v_1\bar{\kappa}a[120, 3] = \bar{\kappa}a[122, 14]$
- (20) $v_1(v_1\bar{\kappa}a[124, 0]) = \bar{\kappa}^4 a[68, 2]$
- (21) $v_1a[147, 1] = \bar{\kappa}a[129, 1]$
- (22) $v_1a[152, 2] = \bar{\kappa}a[134, 2]$
- (23) $v_1a[156, 10] = a[158, 16]$
- (24) $v_1a[162, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[124, 0]$

(b) For v_1 -self-maps of type I, there are also the following v_1 -extensions, and those induced from these by $\bar{\kappa}$ -linearity:

- (1) $v_1a[68, 2] = \bar{\kappa}^2 a[30, 2]$
- (2) $v_1a[83, 3] = \bar{\kappa}^4 a[15, 1]$

Proof. For all parts, except for (9), (12), (15), we see, by inspecting the relevant parts of the homotopy groups of appropriate $tmf \wedge A_1[ij]$, that the targets of the stated v_1 extensions are sent to zero via the natural map

$$\pi_*(tmf \wedge Y) \rightarrow \pi_*(tmf \wedge A_1[ij]).$$

Therefore, they are in the image of a v_1 -multiplication and the stated v_1 -extensions are the only possibilities.

For part (9), consider

$$\text{sk}_4(tmf \wedge Y) = (tmf \wedge Y)/(tmf \wedge Y)_5,$$

where $(tmf \wedge Y)_5$ is the 5th term in the $X(4)$ -Adams tower of $tmf \wedge Y$. It is a module over $\text{sk}_4(tmf)$. Since $\Delta^4 \in \pi_{96}(\text{sk}_4(tmf))$, this element acts on $\pi_* \text{sk}_4(tmf \wedge Y)$. We see that the induced map $\pi_*(tmf \wedge Y) \rightarrow \pi_* \text{sk}_4(tmf \wedge Y)$ sends $a[9, 1]$ and $a[11, 3]$ to non-trivial elements, which we denote by the same names. Furthermore, it sends $a[105, 1]$ and $a[107, 3]$ to elements detected by the products $\Delta^4 a[9, 1]$ and $\Delta^4 a[11, 3]$. Since $v_1 a[9, 1] = a[11, 3]$ by part (1),

$$v_1 \Delta^4 a[9, 1] = \Delta^4 v_1 a[9, 1] = \Delta^4 a[11, 1]$$

in $\pi_* \text{sk}_4(tmf \wedge Y)$. It follows that $v_1 a[105, 1]$ must be detected by $a[107, 3]$ in the E_∞ -term of the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$. \square

Remark 6.41. We are left with two undecided v_1 -extensions, namely (12) and (15) in Lemma 6.40. We expect that some of these unsettled v_1 -extensions can be resolved using comparison with the classical Adams Spectral Sequence for $tmf \wedge V(0)$, $tmf \wedge Y$ and $tmf \wedge V(0)/v_1^4$. These will soon appear in upcoming work of [BR].

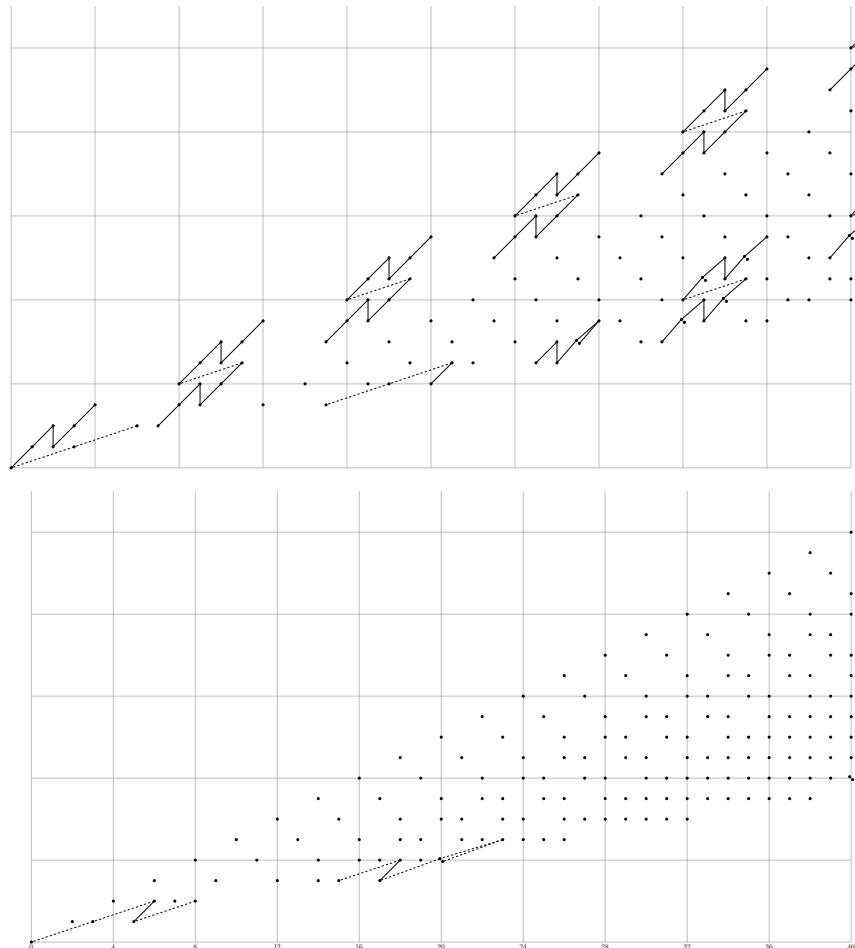
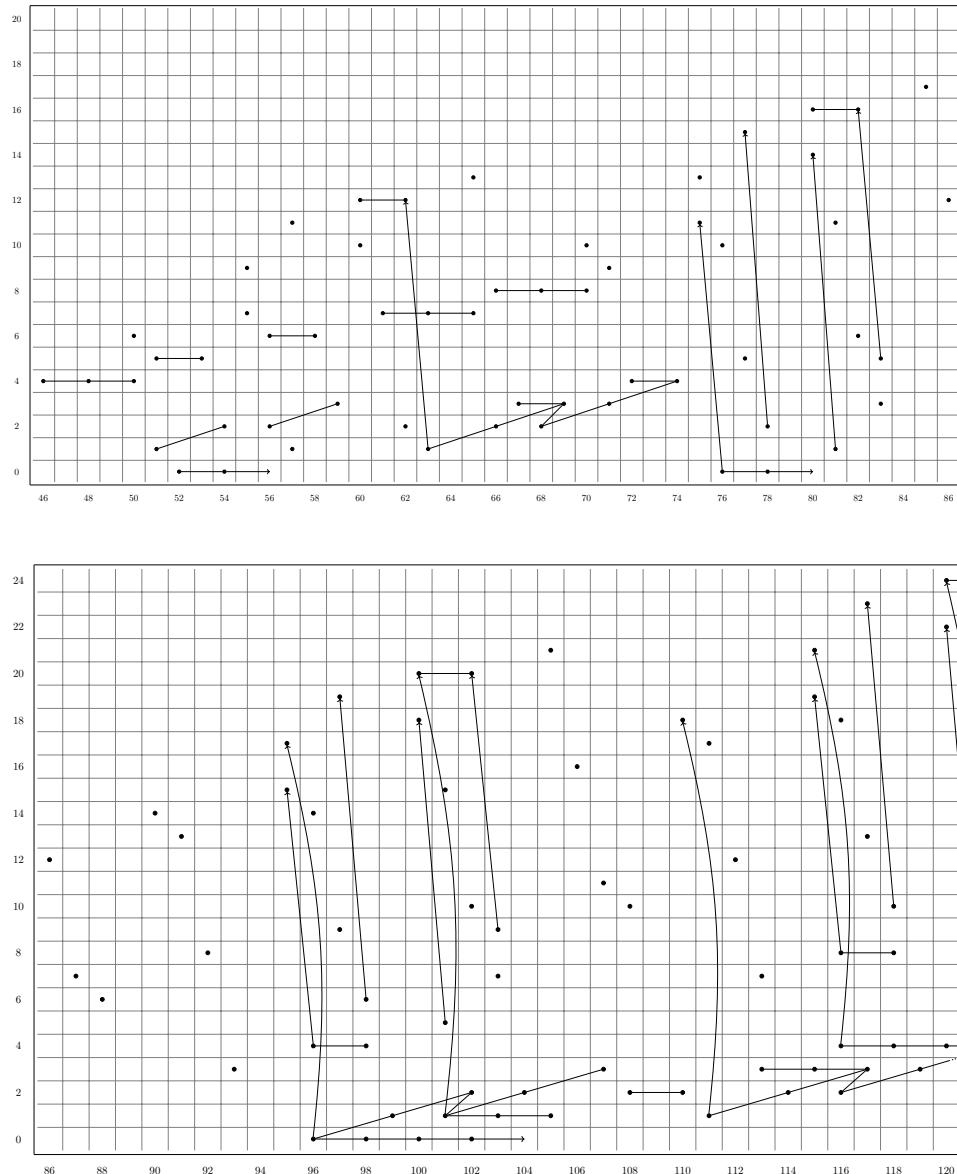
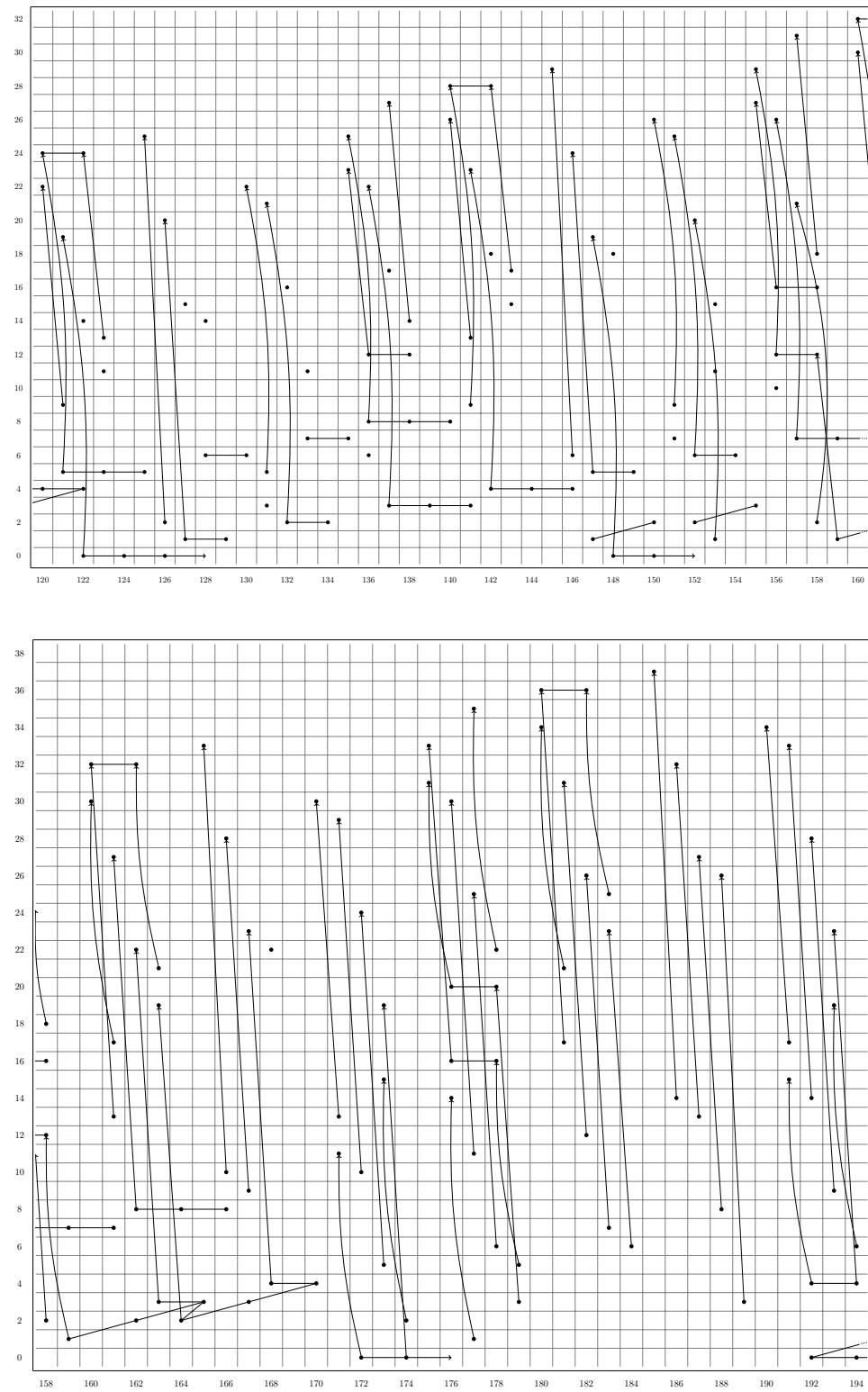


FIGURE 18. Classical Adams Spectral Sequence E_2 -pages for $tmf \wedge V(0)$ (top) and $tmf \wedge Y$ (bottom) computed with Bruner's Ext-program [Bru].

FIGURE 19. d_{11} to d_{23} differentials in stems 46 to 120

FIGURE 20. d_{11} to d_{23} differentials in stems 120 to 194

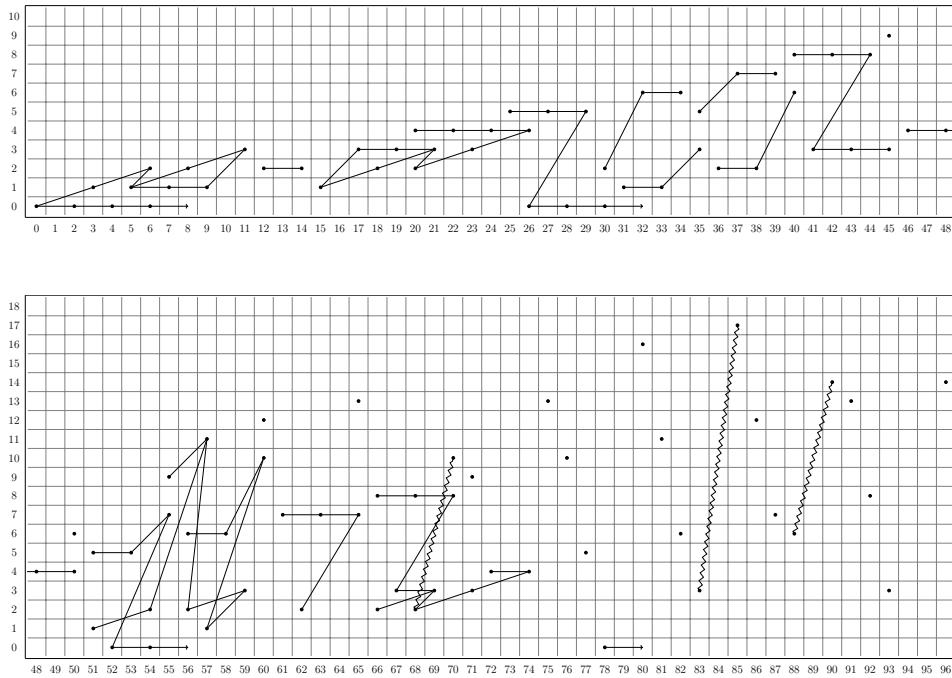


FIGURE 21. Exotic extensions in the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$. This records $tmf_* Y \cong \widetilde{tmf}_{*+3}(\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2)$. The zigzags denote exotic v_1 -extensions that occur only for certain choices of v_1 self-maps.

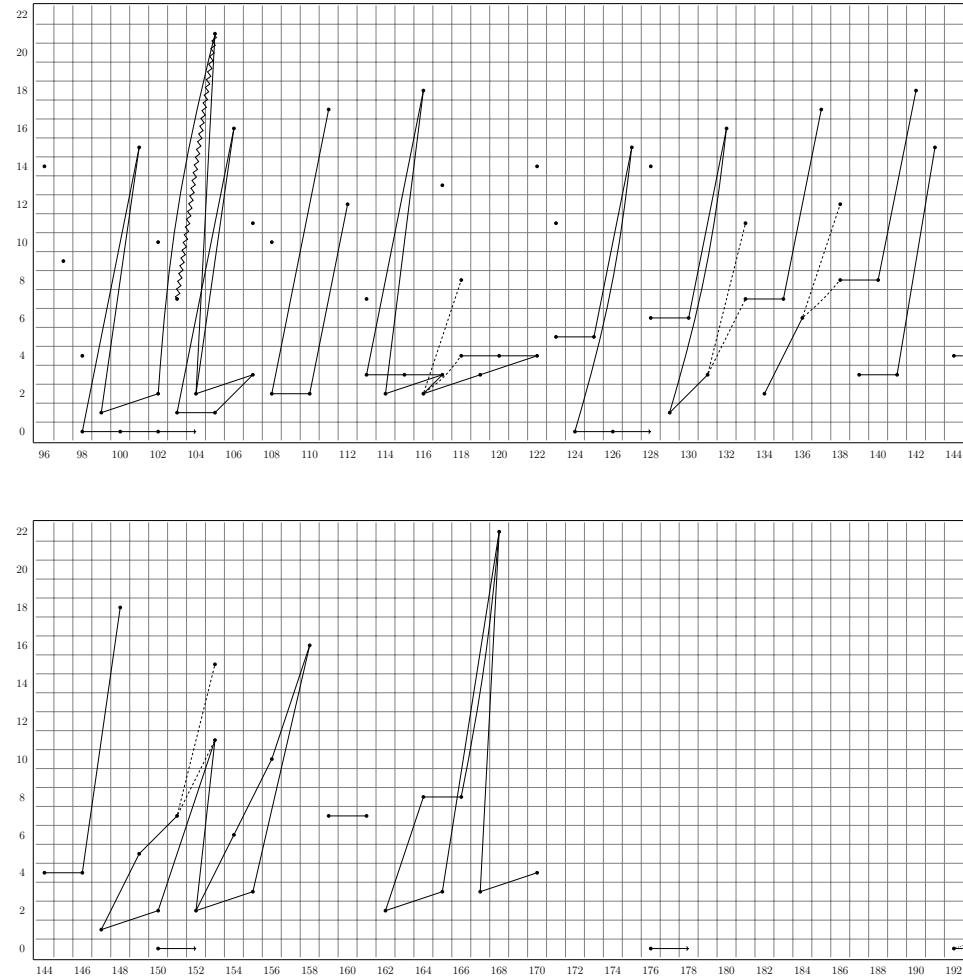


FIGURE 22. Exotic extensions in the elliptic spectral sequence of $tmf \wedge Y$. This records $tmf_* Y \cong \widetilde{tmf}_{*+3}(\mathbb{R}P^2 \wedge \mathbb{C}P^2)$. The zigzags denote exotic v_1 -extensions that occur only for certain choices of v_1 self-maps.

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