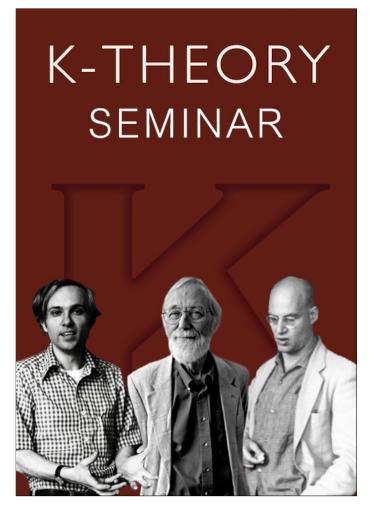
# 代数 K 理论讨论班笔记

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## Chapter 1

# Notes on $NK_0$ and $NK_1$ of the groups $C_4$ and $D_4$

This note is based on the paper [5].

## 1.1 Outline

**Definition 1.1** (Bass Nil-groups).  $NK_n(\mathbb{Z}G) = \ker(K_n(\mathbb{Z}G[x]) \xrightarrow{x \mapsto 0} K_n(\mathbb{Z}G))$ 

G	$NK_0(\mathbb{Z}G)$	$NK_1(\mathbb{Z}G)$	$NK_2(\mathbb{Z}G)$
$C_2$	0	0	V
$D_2 = C_2 \times C_2$	V	$\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]}$	
$C_4$	V	$\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]}$	
$D_4 = C_4 \rtimes C_2$			

Note that  $D_4 = \langle \sigma, \tau | \sigma^4 = 1, \tau^2 = 1, \tau \sigma \tau = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$ .

 $V=x\mathbb{F}_2[x]=\oplus_{i=1}^\infty\mathbb{F}_2x^i=\oplus_{i=1}^\infty\mathbb{Z}/2x^i$ : continuous  $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ -module. As an abelian group, it is countable direct sum of copies of  $\mathbb{F}_2=\mathbb{Z}/2$  on generators  $x^i,i>0$ .

 $\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]} = \mathbb{F}_2[x] dx = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_2 e^i$ , often write  $e^i$  stands for  $x^{i-1} dx$ . As an abelian group,  $\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]} \cong V$ . But it has a different  $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ -module structure.

#### 1.2 Preliminaries

#### 1.2.1 Regular rings

We list some useful notations here:

R: ring with unit (usually commutative in this chapter)

R-mod: the category of R-modules,

 $\mathbf{M}(R)$ : the subcategory of finitely generated R-modules,

 $\mathbf{P}(R)$ : the subcategory of finitely generated projective R-modules.

Let  $\mathbf{H}(R) \subset R$ -mod be the full subcategory contains all M which has finte  $\mathbf{P}(R)$ resolutions. R is called regular if  $\mathbf{M}(R) = \mathbf{P}(R)$ .

**Proposition 1.2.** Let R be a commutative ring with unit, A an R-algebra and  $S \subset R$  a multiplicative set, if A is regular, then  $S^{-1}A$  is also regular.

### 1.2.2 The ring of Witt vectors

As additive group  $W(\mathbb{Z}) = (1 + x\mathbb{Z}[[x]])^{\times}$ , it is a module over the Cartier algebra consisting of row-and-column finite sums  $\sum V_m[a_{mn}]F_n$ , where [a] are homothety operators for  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

additional structure Verschiebung operators  $V_m$ , Frobenius operators  $F_m$  (ring endomorphism), homothety operators [a].

$$[a]: \alpha(x) \mapsto \alpha(ax)$$

$$V_m: \alpha(x) \mapsto \alpha(x^m)$$

$$F_m: \alpha(x) \mapsto \sum_{\zeta^m=1} \alpha(\zeta x^{\frac{1}{m}})$$

$$F_m: 1 - rx \mapsto 1 - r^m x$$

**Remark 1.3.**  $W(R) \subset Cart(R), \prod_{m=1}^{\infty} (1 - r_m x^m) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} V_m[a_m] F_m$ . See [1].

**Proposition 1.4.**  $[1] = V_1 = F_1$ : multiplicative identity. There are some identities:

$$V_m V_n = V_{mn}$$

$$F_m F_n = F_{mn}$$

$$F_m V_n = m$$

$$[a] V_m = V_m [a^m]$$

$$F_m [a] = [a^m] F_m$$

$$[a] [b] = [ab]$$

$$V_m F_k = F_k V_m, \text{ if } (k, m) = 1$$

We call a W(R)-module M continuous if  $\forall v \in M$ ,  $\operatorname{ann}_{W(R)}(v)$  is an open ideal in W(R), that is  $\exists k$  s.t.  $(1-rx)^m * v = 0$  for all  $r \in R$  and  $m \geq k$ . Note that if A is an R-module, xA[x] is a continuous W(R)-module but that xA[[x]] is not.

#### 1.2.3 Dennis-Stein symbols

**Steinberg symbol** Let R be a commutative ring,  $u, v \in R^*$ . First we construct Steinberg symbol  $\{u, v\} \in K_2(R)$  as follows:

$$\{u,v\} = h_{12}(uv)h_{12}(u)^{-1}h_12(v)^{-1}$$

where  $h_{ij}(u) = w_{ij}(u)w_{ij}(-1)$  and  $w_{ij}(u) = x_{ij}(u)x_{ji}(-u^{-1})x_{ij}(u)$ .

These symbols satisfy

- (a)  $\{u_1u_2, v\} = \{u_1, v\}\{u_2, v\}$  for  $u_1, u_2, v \in \mathbb{R}^*$ . [Bilinear]
- (b)  $\{u, v\}\{v, u\} = 1$  for  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^*$ . [Skew-symmetric]
- (c)  $\{u, 1-u\} = 1$  for  $u, 1-u \in \mathbb{R}^*$ .

**Theorem 1.5.** If R is a field, division ring, local ring or even a commutative semilocal ring,  $K_2(R)$  is generated by Steinberg symbols  $\{r, s\}$ .

**Dennis-Stein symbol version 1** If  $a, b \in R$  with  $1 + ab \in R^*$ , Dennis-Stein symbol  $\langle a, b \rangle \in K_2(R)$  is defined by

$$\langle a,b\rangle = x_{21}(-\frac{b}{1+ab})x_{12}(a)x_{21}(b)x_{12}(-\frac{a}{1+ab})h_{12}(1+ab)^{-1}.$$

Note that

$$\langle a, b \rangle = \begin{cases} \{-a, 1 + ab\}, & \text{if } a \in R^* \\ \{1 + ab, b\}, & \text{if } b \in R^* \end{cases}$$

and if  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^* - \{1\}$ ,  $\{u, v\} = \langle -u, \frac{1-v}{u} \rangle = \langle \frac{u-1}{v}, v \rangle$ , thus Steinberg symbol is also a Dennis-Stein symbol. See Dennis, Stein *The functor K*<sub>2</sub>: a survey of computational problem.

Maazen and Stienstra define the group D(R) as follows: take a generator  $\langle a, b \rangle$  for each pair  $a, b \in R$  with  $1 + ab \in R^*$ , defining relations:

(D1) 
$$\langle a, b \rangle \langle -b, -a \rangle = 1$$
,

(D2) 
$$\langle a, b \rangle \langle a, c \rangle = \langle a, b + c + abc \rangle$$
,

(D3) 
$$\langle a, bc \rangle = \langle ab, c \rangle \langle ac, b \rangle$$
.

If  $I \subset R$  is an ideal,  $a \in I$  or  $b \in I$ , we can consider  $\langle a, b \rangle \in K_2(R, I)$  satisfy following relations

(D1) 
$$\langle a, b \rangle \langle -b, -a \rangle = 1$$
,

(D2) 
$$\langle a, b \rangle \langle a, c \rangle = \langle a, b + c + abc \rangle$$
,

- (D3)  $\langle a, bc \rangle = \langle ab, c \rangle \langle ac, b \rangle$  if any of a, b, c are in I.
- **Theorem 1.6.** 1. If R is a commutative local ring, then  $D(R) \stackrel{\cong}{\to} K_2(R)$  is isomorphic. (Maazen-Stienstra, Dennis-Stein, van der Kallen)
  - 2. Let R be a commutative ring. If  $I \subset \operatorname{Rad}(R)$  (ideal I is contained in the Jacobson radical),  $D(R,I) \stackrel{\cong}{\to} K_2(R,I)$ .

**Dennis-Stein symbol version 2** In 1980s, things have changed. Dennis-Stein symbol is defined as follows

 $r, s \in R$  commute and 1 - rs is a unit, that is rs = sr and  $1 - rs \in R^*$ ,

$$\langle r, s \rangle = x_{ji}(-s(1-rs)^{-1})x_{ij}(-r)x_{ji}(s)x_{ij}((1-rs)^{-1}r)h_{ij}(1-rs)^{-1}.$$

Note that if  $r \in R^*$ ,  $\langle r, s \rangle = \{r, 1 - rs\}$ . If  $I \subset R$  is an ideal,  $r \in I$  or  $\in I$ , we can even consider  $\langle r, s \rangle \in K_2(R, I)$ 

(D1) 
$$\langle r, s \rangle \langle s, r \rangle = 1$$
,

(D2) 
$$\langle r, s \rangle \langle r, t \rangle = \langle r, s + t - rst \rangle$$
,

- (D3)  $\langle r, st \rangle = \langle rs, t \rangle \langle tr, s \rangle$  (this holds in  $K_2(R, I)$  if any of r, s, t are in I). Note that  $\langle r, 1 \rangle = 0$  for any  $r \in R$  and  $\langle r, s \rangle_{version2} = \langle -r, s \rangle_{version1}$ .
- **Theorem 1.7.** 1. If R is a commutative local ring or a field, then  $K_2(R)$  is generated by  $\langle r, s \rangle$  satisfying D1, D2, D3.
  - 2. Let R be a commutative ring. If  $I \subset \operatorname{Rad}(R)$  (ideal I is contained in the Jacobson radical),  $K_2(R, I)$  is generated by  $\langle r, s \rangle$  (either  $r \in R$  and  $s \in I$  or  $r \in I$  and  $s \in R$ ) satisfying D1, D2, D3.

#### 1.2.4 Relative group and double relative group

You can skip this subsection for first reading. We will use the results in 1.4.

**Relative groups** Let R be a ring (not necessarily commutative),  $I \subset R$  a two-sided ideal, by definition  $K_i(R) = \pi_i(BGL(R)^+)$ ,  $i \geq 1$ , there exists a map

$$BGL(R)^+ \longrightarrow BGL(R/I)^+$$

**Definition 1.8.** K(R,I) is the homotopy fibre of the map  $BGL(R)^+ \longrightarrow BGL(R/I)^+$ .  $K_i(R,I) := \pi_i(K(R,I)), i \ge 1$ .

By long exact sequences of homotopy groups of a homotopy fibre, there is an exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow K_{i+1}(R) \longrightarrow K_{i+1}(R/I) \longrightarrow K_i(R,I) \longrightarrow K_i(R) \longrightarrow K_i(R/I) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

In particular,

$$K_3(R,I) \longrightarrow K_3(R) \longrightarrow K_3(R/I) \longrightarrow K_2(R,I) \longrightarrow K_2(R) \longrightarrow K_2(R/I) \longrightarrow K_1(R,I) \longrightarrow K_1(R) \longrightarrow K_1(R/I)$$

**Double relative groups** Let R be any ring (not necessarily commutative), if  $I, J \subset R$  are two-sided ideals, there is a map

$$K(R,I) \longrightarrow K(R/J,I+J/J).$$

$$K(R;I,J) \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \\ K(R,I) & \longrightarrow BGL(R)^+ & \longrightarrow BGL(R/I)^+ \\ \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \\ K(R/J,I+J/J) & \longrightarrow BGL(R/J)^+ & \longrightarrow BGL(R/I+J)^+$$

**Definition 1.9.** K(R; I, J) is the homotopy fibre of the map  $K(R, I) \longrightarrow K(R/J, I + J/J)$ .  $K_i(R, I, J) := \pi_i(K(R; I, J)), i \ge 1$ .

**Remark 1.10.** 
$$K_i(R; I, J) \cong K_i(R; J, I), K_i(R; I, I) = K_i(R, I).$$

Let R be any ring (not necessarily commutative), if  $I, J \subset R$  are two-sided ideals such that  $I \cap J = 0$ , then there is an exact sequence

$$K_3(R,I) \longrightarrow K_3(R/I,I+J/J) \longrightarrow I/I^2 \otimes_{R^e} J/J^2 \xrightarrow{\psi} K_2(R,I) \longrightarrow K_2(R/I,I+J/J) \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $R^e = R \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R^{op}$ ,  $\psi([a] \otimes [b]) = \langle a, b \rangle$ , see [6] 3.5.10 or [2] p. 195. In the case  $I \cap J = 0$ ,  $K_2(R; I, J) \cong I/I^2 \otimes_{R^e} J/J^2$ . 我的疑问: if R is commutative, whether  $K_2(R; I, J) = I \otimes_R J$  or not?

**Lemma 1.11.** Let (R; I, J) satisfy the following Cartesian square

$$R \longrightarrow R/I$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$R/J \longrightarrow R/I + J$$

suppose  $f:(R,I) \longrightarrow (R/J,I+J/J)$  has a section g, then

$$0 \longrightarrow I/I^2 \otimes_{R^e} J/J^2 \longrightarrow K_2(R,I) \longrightarrow K_2(R/I,I+J/J) \longrightarrow 0$$

is split exact.

## 1.3 W(R)-module structure

 $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ -module structure on  $V = x\mathbb{F}_2[x]$  See Dayton& Weibel [1] example 2.6, 2.9.

$$V_m(x^n) = x^{mn}$$

$$F_d(x^n) = \begin{cases} dx^{n/d}, & \text{if } d|n\\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$[a]x^n = a^n x^n$$

 $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ -module structure on  $\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]} = \mathbb{F}_2[x] dx = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_2 e^i$  Dayton& Weibel [1] example 2.10

$$V_m(x^{n-1} dx) = mx^{mn-1} dx$$

$$F_d(x^{n-1} dx) = \begin{cases} x^{n/d-1} dx, & \text{if } d | n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$[a]x^{n-1} dx = a^n x^{n-1} dx$$

**Remark 1.12.**  $\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]}$  is **not** finitely generated as a module over the  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -Cartier algebra or over the subalgebra  $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ .

In general, for any map  $R \longrightarrow S$  of communicative rings, the S-module  $\Omega^1_{S/R}$  (relative Kähler differential module  $\Omega_{S/R}$ ) is defined by

generators:  $ds, s \in S$ ,

relations: d(s+s') = ds + ds', d(ss') = sds' + s'ds, and if  $r \in R$ , dr = 0.

**Remark 1.13.** If  $R = \mathbb{Z}$ , we often omit it. In the previous section,  $\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]} = \Omega^1_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]/\mathbb{Z}}$ .

As abelian groups,  $x\mathbb{F}_2[x] \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]}, x^i \mapsto x^{i-1}dx$ . However, as  $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ -modules,

$$V_m(x^i) = x^{im},$$
  
$$V_m(x^{i-1}dx) = mx^{im-1}dx$$

 $x^{im}$  is corresponding to  $x^{im-1}dx$  but not to  $mx^{im-1}dx$ . So they have different  $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ -module structure.

**Remark 1.14.** 一个不知道有没有用的结论, see [5]

There is a  $W(\mathbb{F}_2)$ -module homomorphism called de Rham differential

$$D \colon x\mathbb{F}_2[x] \longrightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{F}_2[x]}$$
$$x^i \mapsto ix^{i-1}dx$$

Then  $\ker D = H_{dR}^0(\mathbb{F}_2[x]/\mathbb{F}_2)$  is the de Rham cohomology group and  $\operatorname{coker} D = HC_1^{\mathbb{F}_2}(\mathbb{F}_2[x])$  is the cyclic homology group. Note that  $HC_1(\mathbb{F}_2[x]) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_2 e_{2l}$  where  $e_{2l} = x^{2l-1} dx$ , and  $H_{dR}^0(\mathbb{F}_2[x]) = x^2 \mathbb{F}_2[x^2]$ .

## 1.4 $NK_i$ of the group $C_2$

First, consider the simplest example  $G = C_2 = \langle \sigma \rangle = \{1, \sigma\}$ . There is a Rim square

$$\mathbb{Z}[C_2] \xrightarrow{\sigma \mapsto 1} \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\sigma \mapsto -1 \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow q$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{q} \mathbb{F}_2$$

Since  $\mathbb{F}_2$  (field) and  $\mathbb{Z}$  (PID) are regular rings,  $NK_i(\mathbb{F}_2) = 0 = NK_i(\mathbb{Z})$  for all i.

By Mayer-Vietoris sequence, one can get  $NK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]) = 0$ ,  $NK_0(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]) = 0$ . Note that the similar results are true for any cyclic group of prime order.

$$\ker(\mathbb{Z}[C_2] \stackrel{\sigma \mapsto -1}{\longrightarrow} \mathbb{Z}) = (\sigma + 1)$$

By relative exact sequence,

$$0 = NK_3(\mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2], (\sigma + 1)) \stackrel{\cong}{\longrightarrow} NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]) \longrightarrow NK_2(\mathbb{Z}) = 0.$$

And from  $(\mathbb{Z}[C_2], (\sigma+1)) \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}[C_2]/(\sigma-1), (\sigma+1)+(\sigma-1)/(\sigma-1)) = (\mathbb{Z}, (2))$  one has double relative exact sequence

$$0 = NK_3(\mathbb{Z},(2)) \longrightarrow NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]; (\sigma+1), (\sigma-1)) \stackrel{\cong}{\longrightarrow} NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2], (\sigma+1)) \longrightarrow NK_2(\mathbb{Z},(2)) = 0.$$

Note that  $0 = NK_{i+1}(\mathbb{Z}/2) \longrightarrow NK_i(\mathbb{Z}, (2)) \longrightarrow NK_i(\mathbb{Z}) = 0$ .

$$NK_{3}(\mathbb{Z},(2)) = 0$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad NK_{2}(\mathbb{Z}[C_{2}];(\sigma+1),(\sigma-1))$$

$$\downarrow \cong \qquad \qquad NK_{2}(\mathbb{Z}[C_{2}],(\sigma+1)) \xrightarrow{\cong} NK_{2}(\mathbb{Z}[C_{2}]) \longrightarrow NK_{2}(\mathbb{Z}) = 0$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad NK_{2}(\mathbb{Z},(2)) = 0$$

We obtain  $NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]) \cong NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2], (\sigma+1), (\sigma-1))$ , from Guin-Loday-Keune [3],  $NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]; (\sigma+1), (\sigma-1))$  is isomorphic to  $V = x\mathbb{F}_2[x]$ , with the Dennis-Stein symbol  $\langle x^n(\sigma-1), \sigma+1 \rangle$  corresponding to  $x^n \in V$ . Note that  $1 - x^n(\sigma-1)(\sigma+1) = 1$  is invertible in  $\mathbb{Z}[C_2][x]$  and  $\sigma+1 \in (\sigma+1), x^n(\sigma-1) \in (\sigma-1)$ .

**Theorem 1.15.** 
$$NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]) \cong V$$
,  $NK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]) = 0$ ,  $NK_0(\mathbb{Z}[C_2]) = 0$ .

In fact, we have  $NK_2(\mathbb{Z}[C_p]) \cong x\mathbb{F}_p[x], NK_1(\mathbb{Z}[C_p]) = 0, NK_0(\mathbb{Z}[C_p]) = 0.$ 

## 1.5 $NK_i$ of the group $C_4$

## 1.6 $NK_i$ of the group $D_4$

## Chapter 2

# **Mackey Functors**

参考文献有: [4]

#### 2.1 Introduction

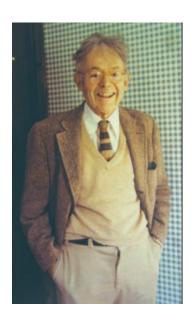


图 2.1: George Mackey

George W. Mackey (1916-2006) was an American mathematician. For more interesting story about him, see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George\_Mackey, http://www.ams.org/notices/200707/tx070700824p.pdf or http://www-history.mcs.st-andrews.ac.uk/Biographies/Mackey.html. And I found an interesting fact that Leslie Lamport's

advisor Richard Palais was a PhD student of him.  $^1$  And Lamport is best known for the system  $\LaTeX$ 

Mackey functor is an algebraic structure, related to many constructions from finite groups, such as group cohomology and the algebraic K-theory of group rings.

History: began in 1980s

People: Dress and Green first gave the axiomatic formulation of Mackey functors.

<sup>1</sup>http://www.genealogy.ams.org/id.php?id=35871

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