

# The Mod 3 Homology of the Space of Loops on the Exceptional Lie Groups and the Adjoint Action

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $p$  be a prime number and  $G$  be a compact, connected, simply connected and simple Lie group. Let  $\Omega G$  be the loop space of  $G$ . Bott showed  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/p)$  is a finitely generated bicommutative Hopf algebra concentrated in even degrees, and determined it for classical groups  $G$  ([1]).

Here, let  $G$  be an exceptional Lie group, that is,  $G = G_2, F_4, E_6, E_7, E_8$ . In [2], K.Kozima and A.Kono determined  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/2)$  as a Hopf algebra over  $\mathcal{A}_2$ , where  $\mathcal{A}_p$  is the mod  $p$  Steenrod Algebra and acts on it dually.

Let  $\text{Ad} : G \times G \rightarrow G$  and  $\text{ad} : G \times \Omega G \rightarrow \Omega G$  be the adjoint actions of  $G$  on  $G$  and  $\Omega G$  respectively. In [3], the cohomology maps of these adjoint actions are studied and it is shown that  $H^*(\text{ad}; \mathbb{Z}/p) = H^*(p_2; \mathbb{Z}/p)$  where  $p_2$  is the second projection if and only if  $H^*(G; \mathbb{Z})$  is  $p$ -torsion free. For  $p = 2, 3$  and  $5$ , some exceptional Lie groups have  $p$ -torsions on its homology.

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Moreover in [8, 9] mod  $p$  homology map of ad is determined for  $(G, p) = (G_2, 2), (F_4, 2), (E_6, 2), (E_7, 2)$  and  $(E_8, 5)$ . This result is applied to compute the  $\mathcal{A}_5$  module structure of  $H_*(\Omega E_8; \mathbb{Z}/5)$  and  $H^*(E_8; \mathbb{Z}/5)$  in [9].

For a compact and connected Lie group  $G$ , the free loop group of  $G$  is denoted by  $LG(G)$ , i.e. the space of free loops on  $G$  equipped with multiplication as

$$\phi \cdot \psi(t) = \phi(t) \cdot \psi(t),$$

and has  $\Omega G$  as its normal subgroup. Then

$$LG(G)/\Omega G \cong G,$$

and identifying elements of  $G$  with constant maps from  $S^1$  to  $G$ ,  $LG(G)$  is equal to the semi-direct product of  $G$  and  $\Omega G$ . This means that the homology of  $LG(G)$  is determined by the homology of  $G$  and  $\Omega G$  as module and the algebra structure of  $H_*(LG(G); \mathbb{Z}/p)$  depends on  $H_*(ad; \mathbb{Z}/p)$  where

$$ad : G \times \Omega G \rightarrow \Omega G$$

is the adjoint map. Since the next diagram commutes where  $\lambda, \lambda'$  and  $\mu$  are the multiplication maps of  $\Omega G$ ,  $LG(G)$  and  $G$  respectively and  $\omega$  is the composition

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (1_{\Omega G} \times T \times 1_G) \circ (1_{\Omega G \times G} \times ad \times 1_G) \circ (1_{\Omega G} \times \Delta_G \times 1_{\Omega G \times G}), & & \\ \Omega G \times G \times \Omega G \times G & \xrightarrow{\omega} & \Omega G \times \Omega G \times G \times G \xrightarrow{\lambda \times \mu} \Omega G \times G \\ \downarrow \cong \times \cong & & \downarrow \cong \\ LG(G) \times LG(G) & \xrightarrow{\lambda'} & LG(G) \end{array}$$

we can determine directly the algebra structure of  $H_*(LG(G); \mathbb{Z}/p)$  by the knowledge of the Hopf algebra structures of  $H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ ,  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/p)$  and induced homology map  $H_*(ad; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ . See Theorem 6.12 of [8] for detail.

In this paper we determine the Hopf algebra structure over  $\mathcal{A}_3$  of the homology group  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  for  $G = F_4, E_6, E_7$  and  $E_8$  by using adjoint action and determine the mod 3 homology map of ad for them. The result is shown in §2.

This paper is organized as follows. We refer to the results of [4, 5, 6] for the structure of  $H^*(G)$  and compute  $H^*(\Omega G)$  for the lower dimensions and their cohomology operations are partially determined. This is done in §3.

In §4 we turn to their homology rings. We determine the algebra structure of  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  and we partly determine the Hopf algebra structure and cohomology operations on  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$ . Finally in §5 the homology map of the adjoint action and the rest of the Hopf algebra structure and cohomology operations are determined. The computations are completely algebraic.

## 2 Results

Let  $G(l)$  be the compact, connected, simply connected and simple exceptional Lie group of rank  $l$  where  $l = 4, 6, 7$  or  $8$ . The exponents of  $G(l)$  are the integers  $n(1) < n(2) < \dots < n(l)$  which are given by the following table :

| $l$ | $n(1),$ | $n(2),$ | $\dots$ | $n(l)$ |    |    |    |    |
|-----|---------|---------|---------|--------|----|----|----|----|
| 4   | 1       | 5       | 7       | 11     |    |    |    |    |
| 6   | 1       | 4       | 5       | 7      | 8  | 11 |    |    |
| 7   | 1       | 5       | 7       | 9      | 11 | 13 | 17 |    |
| 8   | 1       | 7       | 11      | 13     | 17 | 19 | 23 | 29 |

Put  $E(l) = \{n(1), \dots, n(l)\}$  and  $\bar{\phi}(t) = \Delta_*(t) - (t \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes t)$  where  $\Delta$  is the diagonal map.  $\mathcal{P}_*^k$  is the dual of the Steenrod operation  $\mathcal{P}^k$ . Then the results are following :

**Theorem 1.** *As a Hopf Algebra over  $\mathcal{A}_3$ ,*

$$H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3[t_{2j} | j \in E(l) \cup \{3\}]/(t_2^3), & \text{if } l = 4, 6, 7 \\ \mathbb{Z}/3[t_{2j} | j \in E(8) \cup \{3, 9\}]/(t_2^3, t_6^3), & \text{if } l = 8 \end{cases}$$

where  $|t_{2j}| = 2j$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\phi}(t_{2j}) &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } j \neq 3, 9, \\ -t_2^2 \otimes t_2 - t_2 \otimes t_2^2, & \text{if } j = 3, \\ \begin{aligned} &t_2^2 t_6^2 \otimes t_2 + t_2 t_6^2 \otimes t_2^2 - t_6^2 \otimes t_6 - t_2^2 t_6 \otimes t_2 t_6 \\ &- t_2 t_6 \otimes t_2^2 t_6 - t_6 \otimes t_6^2 + t_2^2 \otimes t_2 t_6^2 + t_2 \otimes t_2^2 t_6^2, \end{aligned} & \text{if } j = 9, \end{cases} \\ \mathcal{P}_*^{3^r} t_{2j} &= 0, \quad \text{if } r \geq 3, \\ \mathcal{P}_*^9 t_{2j} &= \begin{cases} t_{22}, & \text{if } j = 29, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{2j}$  and  $\mathcal{P}_*^3 t_{2j}$  are given by the following table:

| $t_{2j}$                 | $t_2$ | $t_6$ | $t_8$ | $t_{10}$ | $t_{14}$ | $t_{16}$ | $t_{18}$                      | $t_{22}$       | $t_{26}$          | $t_{34}$             | $t_{38}$          | $t_{46}$            | $t_{58}$   |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|----------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------|
| $\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{2j}$ | 0     | $t_2$ | 0     | 0        | $t_{10}$ | 0        | $\epsilon t_{14} - t_2 t_6^2$ | $\kappa t_6^3$ | $\epsilon t_{22}$ | $-\epsilon t_{10}^3$ | $\epsilon t_{34}$ | $\epsilon t_{14}^3$ | $t_{18}^3$ |
| $\mathcal{P}_*^3 t_{2j}$ | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0        | 0        | 0        | $t_6$                         | 0              | $t_{14}$          | $t_{22}$             | $-t_{26}$         | $t_{34}$            | 0          |

where  $\epsilon$  and  $\kappa$  are 1 or  $-1$ .

(Remark) In Theorem 1, if  $t_{2j}$  does not exist in  $H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$ , we regard  $t_{2j}$  as 0 for such  $j$ .

Let  $\text{Ad} : G \times G \rightarrow G$  and  $\text{ad} : G \times \Omega G \rightarrow \Omega G$  be the adjoint actions of a Lie group  $G$  defined by  $\text{Ad}(g, h) = ghg^{-1}$  and  $\text{ad}(g, l)(t) = gl(t)g^{-1}$  where  $g, h \in G$ ,  $l \in \Omega G$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . These induce the homology maps

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ad}_* & : H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \otimes H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \rightarrow H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \\ \text{ad}_* & : H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \otimes H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \rightarrow H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3). \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.** *There are generators  $y_8$  in  $H_*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  for  $l = 4, 6, 7$  and  $y_8$  and  $y_{20}$  in  $H_*(E_8; \mathbb{Z}/3)$ . We can choose these generators so that  $\text{ad}_*(y_i \otimes t_{2j})$  ( $i = 8, 20$ ) is given by the following table.*

| $t_{2j}$ | $\text{ad}_*(y_8 \otimes t_{2j})$            | $\text{ad}_*(y_{20} \otimes t_{2j})$                  | $t_{2j}$ | $\text{ad}_*(y_8 \otimes t_{2j})$ | $\text{ad}_*(y_{20} \otimes t_{2j})$ |
|----------|--|---|----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| $t_2$    | $t_{10}$                                     | $\epsilon t_{22}$                                     | $t_{22}$ | $-t_{10}^3$                       | $-t_{14}^3$                          |
| $t_6$    | $t_{14} - t_{10} t_2^2$                      | $t_{26} - \epsilon t_{22} t_2^2$                      | $t_{26}$ | $t_{34}$                          | $-t_{46}$                            |
| $t_8$    | $t_{16}$                                     | —   | $t_{34}$ | $-t_{14}^3$                       | $\epsilon t_{18}^3$                  |
| $t_{10}$ | $\kappa t_6^3$                               | —   | $t_{38}$ | $-t_{46}$                         | $t_{58}$                             |
| $t_{14}$ | $t_{22}$                                     | $t_{34}$  | $t_{46}$ | $-\epsilon t_{18}^3$              | $\epsilon t_{22}^3$                  |
| $t_{16}$ | $\delta t_8^3$                               | —   | $t_{58}$ | $-\epsilon t_{22}^3$              | $-t_{26}^3$                          |
| $t_{18}$ | $t_{26} + t_{10} t_6^2 t_2^2 - t_{14} t_6^2$ | $t_{38} + \epsilon t_{22} t_6^2 t_2^2 - t_{26} t_6^2$ |          |                                   |                                      |

where  $\delta, \epsilon \in \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\epsilon \neq 0$ . For other generators  $y_i \in H_*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$ ,  $\text{ad}_*(y_i \otimes t_{2j}) = 0$  for all  $j$ .

### 3 The mod 3 cohomology groups

We recall the results of [4, 5, 6] for the structure of  $H^*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  as the Hopf algebra over  $\mathcal{A}_3$ .

**Theorem 3.** *There is an isomorphism :*

$$H^*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong \begin{cases} \Lambda(x_{2j+1} | j \in E(l) \cup \{3\} - \{11\}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[x_8]/(x_8^3), & \text{if } l = 4, 6, 7, \\ \Lambda(x_{2j+1} | j \in E(8) \cup \{3, 9\} - \{11, 29\}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[x_8, x_{20}]/(x_8^3, x_{20}^3), & \text{if } l = 8, \end{cases}$$

*the coproduct is given by :*

| $x_i$         | $\overline{\varphi}x_i$  |
|---------------|--|
| $x_{11}$      | $x_8 \otimes x_3$  |
| $x_{15}$      | $x_8 \otimes x_7$  |
| $x_{17}$      | $x_8 \otimes x_9$  |
| $x_{27}$      | $x_8 \otimes x_{19} + x_{20} \otimes x_7$  |
| $x_{35}$      | $x_8 \otimes x_{27} - x_8^2 \otimes x_{19} + x_{20} \otimes x_{15} + x_8 x_{20} \otimes x_7$     |
| $x_{39}$      | $x_{20} \otimes x_{19}$  |
| $x_{47}$      | $-x_8 \otimes x_{39} - x_{20} \otimes x_{27} - x_{20} x_8 \otimes x_{19} + x_{20}^2 \otimes x_7$ |
| <i>others</i> | $0$  |

*and the cohomology operations are determined by the following table:*

| $x_i$               | $x_3$ | $x_7$    | $x_8$    | $x_9$ | $x_{11}$ | $x_{15}$          | $x_{17}$ | $x_{19}$ | $x_{20}$ | $x_{27}$     | $x_{35}$          | $x_{39}$    | $x_{47}$       |
|---------------------|-------|----------|----------|-------|----------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------|
| $\beta x_i$         | 0     | $x_8$    | 0        | 0     | 0        | $-x_8^2$          | 0        | $x_{20}$ | 0        | $x_8 x_{20}$ | $-x_8^2 x_{20}$   | $-x_{20}^2$ | $x_8 x_{20}^2$ |
| $\mathcal{P}^1 x_i$ | $x_7$ | 0        | 0        | 0     | $x_{15}$ | $\epsilon x_{19}$ | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0            | $\epsilon x_{39}$ | 0           | 0              |
| $\mathcal{P}^3 x_i$ | 0     | $x_{19}$ | $x_{20}$ | 0     | 0        | $x_{27}$          | 0        | 0        | 0        | $-x_{39}$    | $x_{47}$          | 0           | 0              |

where  $\epsilon$  is 1 or -1.

If  $r > 1$  then  $\mathcal{P}^{3^r} x_i = 0$ .

(Remark) We consider  $x_i$  in these tables as 0 when  $x_i \notin H^*$ .

Recall a Serre fibration:

$$\Omega G(l) \longrightarrow * \longrightarrow G(l). \quad (\text{A})$$

First, we compute  $H^*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  by the Serre spectral sequence associated with the fibration (A). This spectral sequence has a Hopf algebra structure. We can proceed to compute it using degree-reason and Kudo's transgression theorem ([7]) from the previous theorem. For  $j \in E(l) - \{9, 11, 29\}$ , there are universally transgressive elements  $a_{2j} \in H^*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$ , such that  $\tau a_{2j} = x_{2j+1}$ . Thus we can show that for  $j = 9, 11, 15, 21, 27$  and  $29$ , there are  $a_{2j}$  such that satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
d_7(1 \otimes a_{18}) &= x_7 \otimes a_2^6, & \text{for } l = 4, 6, 7, \\
d_{11}(1 \otimes a_{30}) &= x_{11} \otimes a_{10}^2, & \text{for } l = 4, 6, 7, \\
d_{15}(1 \otimes a_{42}) &= x_{15} \otimes a_{14}^2, & \text{for } l = 8, \\
d_{19}(1 \otimes a_{22}) &= x_3 x_8^2 \otimes a_2^2, & \text{for } l = 4, 6, 7, 8, \\
d_{19}(1 \otimes a_{54}) &= x_{19} \otimes a_2^{18}, & \text{for } l = 8, \\
d_{47}(1 \otimes a_{58}) &= x_7 x_{20}^2 \otimes a_2^6, & \text{for } l = 8.
\end{aligned}$$

$a_{2j}'$ s are generators of the cohomology group in the low dimensions. The results are the following:

**Proposition 4.** *For the dimensions less than  $2n(l) + 2$ , the next isomorphism holds :*

$$H^*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3[a_{2j} | j \in E(l) \cup \{9\}]/(a_2^9), & \text{if } l = 4, 6, \\ \mathbb{Z}/3[a_{2j} | j \in E(7) \cup \{15\}]/(a_{10}^3), & \text{if } l = 7, \\ \mathbb{Z}/3[a_{2j} | j \in E(8) \cup \{21, 27\}]/(a_2^{27}, a_{14}^3), & \text{if } l = 8. \end{cases}$$

Now we start to determine the cohomology operations and the coproducts on  $a_{2j}$ .

**Theorem 5.** *For  $j \in E(l) - \{9, 11, 29\}$   $a_{2j} \in H^*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  is primitive and cohomology operations are determined by*

| $a_{2j}$               | $a_2$   | $a_8$ | $a_{10}$ | $a_{14}$         | $a_{16}$ | $a_{26}$  | $a_{34}$          | $a_{38}$ | $a_{46}$ |
|------------------------|---------|-------|----------|------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|----------|----------|
| $\mathcal{P}^1 a_{2j}$ | $a_2^3$ | 0     | $a_{14}$ | $\epsilon a_2^9$ | 0        | 0         | $\epsilon a_{38}$ | 0        | 0        |
| $\mathcal{P}^3 a_{2j}$ | 0       | 0     | 0        | $a_{26}$         | 0        | $-a_{38}$ | $a_{46}$          | 0        | 0        |

If  $r > 1$  then  $\mathcal{P}^{3^r} a_{2j} = 0$ .

*Proof.* For  $j \in E(l) - \{9, 11, 29\}$ ,  $a_{2j}$  is transgressive, therefore  $\mathcal{P}^i a_{2j} = \mathcal{P}^i \sigma x_{2j+1} = \sigma \mathcal{P}^i x_{2j+1}$ . Thus this can be determined by Theorem 3.  $\blacksquare$

For the investigation of  $a_{2j}$  which is not transgressive we start from the following theorem. In the next theorem,  $\psi$  means the coproduct of  $H^*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  and we set  $\bar{\psi}(a) = \psi(a) - (a \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes a)$ .

**Theorem 6.** For  $j = 9, 15, 21, 27$ ,  $\bar{\psi}a_{2j}$  is given by the following formula:

$$\bar{\psi}a_{2j} = \begin{cases} a_2^3 \otimes a_2^6 + a_2^6 \otimes a_2^3, & \text{if } j = 9, \\ a_{10} \otimes a_{10}^2 + a_{10}^2 \otimes a_{10}, & \text{if } j = 15, \\ a_{14} \otimes a_{14}^2 + a_{14}^2 \otimes a_{14}, & \text{if } j = 21, \\ a_2^9 \otimes a_2^{18} + a_2^{18} \otimes a_2^9, & \text{if } j = 27. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* To begin with, we investigate the element  $a_{18}$ . Let  $a'_2$  be the generator of  $H^2(\Omega F_4; \mathbb{Z})$ .  $H^*(\Omega F_4; \mathbb{Z})$  has no torsion and is a commutative Hopf algebra over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Since  $a_2^9 = 0$ , there is  $a'_{18}$  such that  $a_2^9 = 3a'_{18}$  and  $\rho a'_{18} \neq 0$ , where  $\rho$  is modulo 3 reduction. Then we can choose  $a_{18}$  as  $\rho a'_{18}$ . The coproduct of  $a'_{18}$  is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi a'_{18} &= 1/3 \psi a_2^9 \\ &= 1/3 (1 \otimes a'_2 + a'_2 \otimes 1)^9 \\ &\equiv a'_{18} \otimes 1 + a_2^3 \otimes a_2^6 + a_2^6 \otimes a_2^3 + 1 \otimes a'_{18} \pmod{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\bar{\psi}a_{18} = a_2^3 \otimes a_2^6 + a_2^6 \otimes a_2^3$  is shown.

Consider the inclusion  $\iota : F_4 \rightarrow E_7$ , we chose  $a_{18} \in H^*(\Omega E_7; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  so as to satisfy  $(\Omega \iota)^* a_{18} = a_{18}$ . Because  $(\Omega \iota)^*$  is injective for degrees less than 18,  $\bar{\psi}a_{18} = a_2^3 \otimes a_2^6 + a_2^6 \otimes a_2^3$  is shown again for this  $a_{18}$ . And in the similar way we put  $a_{30} = 1/3 a_{10}^3$ ,  $a_{42} = 1/3 a_{14}^3$  and  $a_{54} = 1/3 a_2^{27}$  and obtain the coproduct formulas of the statement.  $\blacksquare$

We remark that we can assume that  $a_{22}$  and  $a_{58}$  are primitive.

**Theorem 7.** In Proposition 4 we have that  $\mathcal{P}^1 a_{18} = \pm a_{22}$ .

Let  $\tilde{G}(l)$  be the 3-connected cover of  $G(l)$  and

$$\Omega \tilde{G}(l) \longrightarrow * \longrightarrow \tilde{G}(l) \quad (\text{B})$$

$$\tilde{G}(l) \xrightarrow{p} G(l) \xrightarrow{i} K(\mathbb{Z}, 3) \quad (\text{C})$$

$$\Omega \tilde{G}(l) \xrightarrow{\Omega p} \Omega G(l) \xrightarrow{\Omega i} K(\mathbb{Z}, 2) \quad (\text{D})$$

be Serre fibrations. To prove Theorem 7 we have to compute  $H^*(\Omega \tilde{G}; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  and  $H^*(\tilde{G}; \mathbb{Z}/3)$ .

Let  $\tilde{a}_{2j}$  be  $(\Omega p)^* a_{2j}$ , for  $j \neq 1$ . Using the Serre spectral sequence associated with the fibration (D), one can easily show that there are generators  $\tilde{a}_{17} \in H^{17}$  for  $l = 4, 6$ , and  $\tilde{a}_{53} \in H^{53}$  for  $l = 8$ . We have the following proposition. Let denote  $E(l) - \{1\}$  as  $\tilde{E}(l)$ .

**Proposition 8.** *For the dimensions less than  $2n(l) + 2$ , the next isomorphism holds :*

$$H^*(\Omega\tilde{G}(l); \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3[\tilde{a}_{2j} | j \in \tilde{E}(l) \cup \{9\}] \otimes \Lambda(\tilde{a}_{17}), & \text{if } l = 4, 6, \\ \mathbb{Z}/3[\tilde{a}_{2j} | j \in \tilde{E}(7) \cup \{15\}] / (\tilde{a}_{10}^3), & \text{if } l = 7, \\ \mathbb{Z}/3[\tilde{a}_{2j} | j \in \tilde{E}(8) \cup \{21, 27\}] / (\tilde{a}_{14}^3) \otimes \Lambda(\tilde{a}_{53}), & \text{if } l = 8. \end{cases}$$

By computing the Serre spectral sequence associated with (B), it is easy to see  $\tilde{a}_{2j}$ , ( $j \neq 15, 21$ ) is universally transgressive. Let  $\tilde{x}_{i+1}$  be  $\tau\tilde{a}_i$ . Then we have the following:

**Proposition 9.** *For the dimensions less than  $2n(l) + 2$ , the next isomorphism holds :*

$$H^*(\tilde{G}(l); \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong \begin{cases} \Lambda(\tilde{x}_{2j+1} | j \in \tilde{E}(l) \cup \{9\}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[\tilde{x}_{18}], & \text{if } l = 4, 6, \\ \Lambda(\tilde{x}_{2j+1} | j \in \tilde{E}(7)), & \text{if } l = 7, \\ \Lambda(\tilde{x}_{2j+1} | j \in \tilde{E}(8) \cup \{27\}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[\tilde{x}_{54}], & \text{if } l = 8. \end{cases}$$

*Proof of Theorem 7.* It is possible to show that  $\mathcal{P}^1 a_{18}$  is not zero as follows. Let  $\sigma'$  denotes the cohomology suspension associated to the fibration (C) for  $l = 4$ . It is easy to see  $\tilde{x}_{19} = \sigma' \beta \mathcal{P}^3 \mathcal{P}^1 u_3$  and  $\tilde{x}_{23} = \sigma' (\beta \mathcal{P}^1 u_3)^3$ , where  $u_3$  is the generator of  $H^3(K(\mathbb{Z}, 3); \mathbb{Z}/3)$ . So we get  $\mathcal{P}^1 \tilde{x}_{19} = \sigma' \mathcal{P}^1 \beta \mathcal{P}^3 \mathcal{P}^1 u_3 = \sigma' \mathcal{P}^4 \beta \mathcal{P}^1 u_3 = \sigma' (\beta \mathcal{P}^1 u_3)^3 = \tilde{x}_{23}$ , and from this, we have  $(\Omega p)^* \mathcal{P}^1 a_{18} = \mathcal{P}^1 (\Omega p)^* a_{18} = \mathcal{P}^1 \tilde{a}_{18} = \mathcal{P}^1 \sigma \tilde{x}_{19} = \sigma \mathcal{P}^1 \tilde{x}_{19} = \sigma \tilde{x}_{23} = \tilde{a}_{22}$ , where  $\sigma$  is the cohomology suspension associated to (B). Thus  $\mathcal{P}^1 a_{18} \neq 0$ . We fix  $a_{22}$  as  $\mathcal{P}^1 a_{18}$ .  $\blacksquare$

## 4 Homology groups

**Theorem 10.** *The homology ring of  $\Omega G(l)$  is*

$$H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3[t_{2j} | j \in E(l) \cup \{3\}] / (t_2^3), & \text{if } l = 4, 6, 7 \\ \mathbb{Z}/3[t_{2j} | j \in E(8) \cup \{3, 9\}] / (t_2^3, t_6^3), & \text{if } l = 8. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $|t_{2j}| = 2j$ . The coproduct is given by

$$\bar{\phi}(t_{2j}) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } j \neq 3, 9, 11, 29, \\ -t_2^2 \otimes t_2 - t_2 \otimes t_2^2, & \text{if } j = 3, \\ \begin{aligned} & t_2^2 t_6^2 \otimes t_2 + t_2 t_6^2 \otimes t_2^2 - t_6^2 \otimes t_6 - t_2^2 t_6 \otimes t_2 t_6 \\ & - t_2 t_6 \otimes t_2^2 t_6 - t_6 \otimes t_6^2 + t_2^2 \otimes t_2 t_6^2 + t_2 \otimes t_2^2 t_6^2, \end{aligned} & \text{if } j = 9. \end{cases}$$



*Proof.* Let  $t_{2j}$  be the dual element of  $a_{2j} \in H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  as to the monomial basis for  $j \in E(l) - \{9\}$  and  $t_6, t_{18}$  be the dual element of  $a_2^3, a_2^9$ , respectively. It is easy to see  $t_2^3 = t_6^3 = 0$  and to show the coproduct formula for  $t_6$  and  $t_{18}$ . Thus we can say that statement (1) is true for  $* < 2n(l) + 2$ .

Now it is possible to show that there is no truncation in  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  other than the parts generated by  $t_2$  and  $t_6$  and that (1) holds for all dimensions. Since  $H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  is the even degree concentrated commutative Hopf algebra, we may suppose

$$H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3) = \mathbb{Z}/3[u_i | i \in I] \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[v_j | j \in J] / (v_j^{3^{r_j}} | j \in J).$$

Consider an Eilenberg - Moore spectral sequence :

$$E_2 = \text{Ext}_{H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)}(\mathbb{Z}/3, \mathbb{Z}/3) \implies E_\infty = \mathcal{G}r(H^*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)).$$

Since  $E_2 = \Lambda(su_i | i \in I) \otimes \Lambda(sv_j | j \in J) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[\theta v_j | j \in J]$ , where  $\deg su_i = (1, |u_i|)$ ,  $\deg sv_j = (1, |v_j|)$ , and  $\deg \theta v_j = (2, 3^{r_j} |v_j|)$ , the essential differentials have the forms :  $d_r su_i = (\theta v_j)^{3^{k_j}}$  ( $k_j \geq 1$ ) or  $d_r sv_j = (\theta v_j)^{3^{l_j}}$  ( $l_j \geq 1$ ). Because  $H^*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  is a finite dimensional vector space, one can easily show

$$E_\infty = \Lambda(su_i | i \in I') \otimes \Lambda(sv_j | j \in J') \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[\theta v_j | j \in J] / ((\theta v_j)^{3^{m_j}} | j \in J), \quad (I' \subset I, J' \subset J)$$

and  $|I'| + |J'| = |I|$ . Here the total dimension of  $E_\infty$  is  $2^{|I'| + |J'|} 3^{\sum_{j \in J} m_j}$ , ( $m_j \geq 1$ ) and the total dimension of  $H^*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  is  $2^{|E(l)|} 3^{f(l)}$  where  $f(l) = 1$  for  $l = 4, 6, 7$  and  $f(l) = 2$  for  $l = 8$ . Thus the indices  $J$  of the truncation part satisfy that  $|J| \leq f(l)$  and  $|I| = |E(l)|$ . This means that the truncation parts of  $H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  is generated by only  $t_2$  and  $t_6$ .

Therefore  $H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  has the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{Z}/3[u_i | i \in I] \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[t_2] / (t_2^3) && \text{for } l = 4, 6, 7 \text{ and} \\ & \mathbb{Z}/3[u_i | i \in I] \otimes \mathbb{Z}/3[t_2, t_6] / (t_2^3, t_6^3) && \text{for } l = 8. \end{aligned}$$

Also Theorem 5 means that for  $j \in E(l) - \{9\}$   $t_{2j}$  is primitive and indecomposable and  $t_6, t_{18}$  are indecomposable. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \{t_{2j} | j \in \tilde{E}(l)\} \cup \{t_6\} \subset \{u_i | i \in I\} && \text{for } l = 4, 6, 7 \text{ and} \\ & \{t_{2j} | j \in \tilde{E}(l)\} \cup \{t_{18}\} \subset \{u_i | i \in I\} && \text{for } l = 8. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|I| = |E(l)|$ , the theorem is proved. ■

Dualizing the result of Theorem 5 and Theorem 7, we obtain the statement of Theorem 1 except for  $\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{26}, \mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{34}, \mathcal{P}_*^3 t_{34}, \mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{46}, \mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{58}$  and  $\mathcal{P}_*^9 t_{58}$ . To determine these operations, we use the adjoint action of  $H_*(G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  on  $H_*(\Omega G(l); \mathbb{Z}/3)$  which is introduced in the next section.

(Remark) The computation of dualizing the result of Theorem 5 and Theorem 7 is not difficult except for  $\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{18}$ , because  $\mathcal{P}_*^n t$  is primitive if  $t$  is primitive. Moreover, it is easily shown

$$\bar{\phi}(\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{18}) = \mathcal{P}_*^1 \bar{\phi}(t_{18}) = \bar{\phi}(-t_2 t_6^2)$$

and this shows  $\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{18} = -t_2 t_6^2$  modulo primitive elements. By Theorem 5 we can see  $\mathcal{P}_*^1 a_{14} = \epsilon a_2^9$  and this shows that  $\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{18} = \epsilon t_{14} - t_2 t_6^2$ .

## 5 Adjoint action

Put  $y * y' = \text{Ad}_*(y \otimes y')$  and  $y * t = \text{ad}_*(y \otimes t)$  where  $y, y' \in H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  and  $t \in H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$ . Following are the dual result of [3]. Also see [9].

**Theorem 11.** For  $y, y', y'' \in H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  and  $t, t' \in H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$

- (i)  $1 * y = y, 1 * t = t.$
- (ii)  $y * 1 = 0, \text{ if } |y| > 0, \text{ whether } 1 \in H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \text{ or } 1 \in H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3).$
- (iii)  $(yy') * t = y * (y' * t).$
- (iv)  $y * (tt') = \sum (-1)^{|y''||t|} (y' * t)(y'' * t')$  where  $\Delta_* y = \sum y' \otimes y''.$
- (v)  $\sigma(y * t) = y * \sigma(t)$  where  $\sigma$  is the homology suspension.
- (vi)  $\mathcal{P}_*^n (y * t) = \sum_i (\mathcal{P}_*^i y) * (\mathcal{P}_*^{n-i} t).$   
 $\mathcal{P}_*^n (y * y') = \sum_i (\mathcal{P}_*^i y) * (\mathcal{P}_*^{n-i} y').$
- (vii)

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_*(y * t) &= (\Delta_* y) * (\Delta_* t) \\ &= \sum (-1)^{|y''||t'|} (y' * t') \otimes (y'' * t'') \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta_* y = \sum y' \otimes y''$  and  $\Delta_* t = \sum t' \otimes t''.$

And  $\bar{\Delta}_*(y * t) = (\bar{\Delta}_* y) * (\bar{\Delta}_* t).$

(viii) If  $t$  is primitive then  $y * t$  is primitive.

Also the result of [3] implies the following theorem. See [8].

**Theorem 12.** We set a submodule  $A$  of  $H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \mathbb{Z}/3[y_8]/(y_8^3) && \text{for } G = F_4, E_6, E_7 \text{ and} \\ A &= \mathbb{Z}/3[y_8, y_{20}]/(y_8^3, y_{20}^3) && \text{for } G = E_8 \end{aligned}$$

where  $y_{2i}$  is the dual of  $x_{2i}$  with respect to the monomial basis. Then there exists a retraction  $p : H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \rightarrow A$  and the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_*(G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \otimes H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3) & \xrightarrow{ad_*} & H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3) \\ \downarrow p \otimes 1 & \nearrow ad_* & \\ A \otimes H_*(\Omega G; \mathbb{Z}/3) & & \end{array}$$

(Remark) By Theorem 3 we can see  $\mathcal{P}_*^3 y_{20} = y_8$ .

Since  $Ad_*$  is agreed with the composition  $\mu_* \circ (1 \otimes \mu_*) \circ (1 \otimes 1 \otimes \iota_*) \circ (1 \otimes T) \circ (\Delta_* \otimes 1)$  where  $\mu$  is the multiplication of  $G(l)$  and  $\iota$  is the inverse map, the next theorem follows. See [9].

**Theorem 13.** Let  $y, y' \in H_*(G)$ . If  $y$  is primitive,

$$y * y' = [y, y']$$

where  $[y, y'] = yy' - (-1)^{|y||y'|} y'y$ .

Now we give the proof of Theorem 2 and finish the proof of Theorem 1. Let  $y_i$  be the dual element of  $x_i \in H^*(G(l))$  as to the monomial basis. By Theorem 3 and Theorem 13 we see that for  $j \in E(l) \cup \{3, 9\} - \{11, 29\}$

$$y_8 * y_{2j+1} = \begin{cases} y_{2j+9} & \text{for } j = 1, 3, 4, 9, 13, \\ -y_{2j+9} & \text{for } j = 19, \\ 0 & \text{others} \end{cases}$$

and

$$y_{20} * y_{2j+1} = \begin{cases} y_{2j+21} & \text{for } j = 3, 7, 9, \\ -y_{2j+21} & \text{for } j = 13, \\ 0 & \text{others.} \end{cases}$$

Since  $\sigma t_{2j} = y_{2j+1}$  for  $j \in E(l) \cup \{3, 9\} - \{11, 29\}$ , Theorem 11 (v) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(y_8 * t_{2j}) &\neq 0 & \text{for } j = 1, 3, 4, 9, 13, 19, \\ \sigma(y_{20} * t_{2j}) &\neq 0 & \text{for } j = 3, 7, 9, 13. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Then the equations

$$y_8 * t_2 = t_{10}, \quad (3)$$

$$y_8 * t_8 = t_{16}, \quad (4)$$

$$y_8 * t_{26} = t_{34}, \quad (5)$$

$$y_8 * t_{38} = -t_{46}, \quad (6)$$

$$y_{20} * t_{14} = t_{34}, \quad (7)$$

$$y_{20} * t_{26} = -t_{46} \quad (8)$$

are shown by Theorem 11 (viii). Moreover (2) implies

$$y_8 * t_6 \equiv t_{14}, \quad (9)$$

$$y_8 * t_{18} \equiv t_{26}, \quad (10)$$

$$y_{20} * t_6 \equiv t_{26}, \quad (11)$$

$$y_{20} * t_{18} \equiv t_{38} \quad (12)$$

modulo decomposable elements. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\phi}(y_8 * t_6) &= -(y_8 * t_2) \otimes t_2^2 - (y_8 * t_2^2) \otimes t_2 - t_2 \otimes (y_8 * t_2^2) - t_2^2 \otimes (y_8 * t_2) \\ &= \bar{\phi}(-t_{10}t_2^2), \end{aligned}$$

one can see that  $y_8 * t_6 \equiv -t_{10}t_2^2 \pmod{\text{primitive elements}}$ . By this and (9), we have

$$y_8 * t_6 = t_{14} - t_{10}t_2^2. \quad (13)$$

The equations

$$y_8 * t_{18} = t_{26} + t_{10}t_2^2t_6^2 - t_{14}t_6^2, \quad (14)$$

$$y_{20} * t_6 = t_{26} - (y_{20} * t_2)t_2^2, \quad (15)$$

$$y_{20} * t_{18} = t_{38} - (y_{20} * t_6)t_6^2 \quad (16)$$

are shown in the similar way.

By the equation (13), we can compute  $y_8^3 \otimes t_6$  as

$$\begin{aligned} y_8^3 * t_6 &= y_8^2 * (t_{14} - t_{10}t_2^2) \\ &= y_8^2 * t_{14} + t_{10}^3. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $y_8^3 = 0$ ,  $y_8^2 * t_{14} = -t_{10}^3$  and this means  $y_8 * t_{14}$  is a non-zero primitive indecomposable element. We redefine  $t_{22}$  as

$$t_{22} = y_8 * t_{14}. \quad (17)$$

Then we have

$$y_8 * t_{22} = -t_{10}^3.$$

By Theorem 7 we can set  $\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{22} = \kappa t_6^3$  where  $\kappa = \pm 1$ . Since  $\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{22} = \mathcal{P}_*^1(y_8 * t_{14}) = y_8 * t_{10}$ , we have

$$y_8 * t_{10} = \kappa t_6^3.$$

By the similar manner, we can compute  $y_8^3 * t_{18}$  and obtain  $y_8^2 * t_{26} = -t_{14}^3$ . Therefore

$$y_8 * t_{34} = y_8^2 * t_{26} = -t_{14}^3. \quad (18)$$

Because  $t_{16}$  and  $t_{46}$  are primitive, we can set

$$y_8 * t_{16} = \rho_2 t_8^3, \quad (19)$$

$$y_8 * t_{46} = \rho_3 t_{18}^3. \quad (20)$$

Operate  $\mathcal{P}_*^3$  to (20) to obtain

$$y_8 * t_{34} = \mathcal{P}_*^3(y_8 * t_{46}) = \rho_3 \mathcal{P}_*^3(t_{18}^3) = \rho_3 \epsilon t_{14}^3.$$

Thus by (18), we conclude that  $\rho_3 = -\epsilon$ .  $y_8 * t_{58}$  will be determined after the determination of  $y_{20} * t_{58}$ .

Here we apply  $\mathcal{P}_*^1$  on (5), (6) and (14),  $\mathcal{P}_*^3$  on (5) to see

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{26} &= \mathcal{P}_*^1(y_8 * t_{18} - t_{10}t_6^2 t_2^2 + t_{14}t_6^2) \\ &= \epsilon y_8 * t_{14} = \epsilon t_{22}, \\ \mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{34} &= \mathcal{P}_*^1(y_8 * t_{26}) = \epsilon y_8 * t_{22} = -\epsilon t_{10}^3, \\ \mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{46} &= -\mathcal{P}_*^1(y_8 * t_{38}) = -\epsilon y_8 * t_{34} = \epsilon t_{14}^3, \\ \mathcal{P}_*^3 t_{34} &= \mathcal{P}_*^3(y_8 * t_{26}) = y_8 * t_{14} = t_{22}. \end{aligned}$$

Next we compute  $y_{20} * t_{2i}$ . First we apply  $\mathcal{P}_*^1$  to (15) to obtain

$$y_{20} * t_2 = \mathcal{P}_*^1(y_{20} * t_6) = \mathcal{P}_*^1(t_{26} - (y_{20} * t_2)t_2^2) = \epsilon t_{22}.$$

From this, (15) and (16) imply that

$$\begin{aligned} y_{20} * t_2 &= \epsilon t_{22}, \\ y_{20} * t_6 &= t_{26} - \epsilon t_{22} t_2^2, \\ y_{20} * t_{18} &= t_{38} + \epsilon t_{22} t_6^2 t_2^2 - t_{26} t_6^2. \end{aligned}$$

$y_{20}^3 * t_6$  is computed as

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = y_{20}^3 * t_6 &= y_{20}^2 * (y_{20} * t_6) \\ &= y_{20}^2 * (t_{26} - \epsilon t_{22} t_2^2) \\ &= y_{20}^2 * t_{26} + \epsilon t_{22}^3. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $y_{20} * t_{46} = -y_{20}^2 * t_{26} = \epsilon t_{22}^3$ .

The similar computation of  $y_{20}^3 * t_{18}$  implies

$$y_{20}^2 * t_{38} = -t_{26}^3.$$

Thus  $y_{20} * t_{38}$  is a non zero primitive indecomposable element and we redefine  $t_{58}$  as  $y_{20} * t_{38}$ . Hence

$$y_{20} * t_{38} = t_{58}, \tag{21}$$

$$y_{20} * t_{58} = -t_{26}^3. \tag{22}$$

By applying  $\mathcal{P}_*^3$  to (22), we have

$$y_8 * t_{58} = \mathcal{P}_*^3(y_{20} * t_{58}) = -\mathcal{P}_*^3(t_{26}^3) = -\epsilon t_{22}^3.$$

We obtain also

$$y_{20} * t_{22} = \epsilon \mathcal{P}_*^1(y_{20} * t_{26}) = -\epsilon \mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{46} = -t_{14}^3$$

by applying  $\mathcal{P}_*^1$  to (8).

Since  $t_{34}$  is primitive, we can set  $y_{20} * t_{34} = \rho_4 t_{18}^3$  ( $\rho_4 \in \mathbb{Z}/3$ ). Operating  $\mathcal{P}_*^3$  to the both sides of this equation,  $\rho_4 \epsilon t_{14}^3$  is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_4 \epsilon t_{14}^3 &= \rho_4 \mathcal{P}_*^3(t_{18}^3) \\ &= \mathcal{P}_*^3(y_{20} * t_{34}) \\ &= y_8 * t_{34} + y_{20} * t_{22} \\ &= t_{14}^3. \end{aligned}$$

So  $y_{20} * t_{34} = \epsilon t_{18}^3$  is shown. Now  $ad_*$  is determined except for  $y_8 * t_{16}$ .

Finally we operate  $\mathcal{P}_*^1$  to (21) and  $\mathcal{P}_*^9$  to (22) and see

$$\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{58} = \mathcal{P}_*^1 (y_{20} * t_{38}) = y_{20} * (\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{38}) = \epsilon y_{20} * t_{34} = t_{18}^3,$$

$$y_{20} * (\mathcal{P}_*^9 t_{58}) = \mathcal{P}_*^9 (y_{20} * t_{58}) = -\mathcal{P}_*^9 (t_{26}^3) = -t_{14}^3.$$

These equations imply that

$$\mathcal{P}_*^1 t_{58} = t_{18}^3, \mathcal{P}_*^9 t_{58} = t_{22}.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

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