

Cofibre of τ , first take

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Abstract

By following [Isa19], [Ghe18] and [DI10] we explain how the motivic Adams and Adams-Novikov spectral sequences are related to their classical analogues and how the cofibre of the map of motivic spectra τ can be used to compute the classical Adams-Novikov spectral sequence and thus classical stable homotopy groups of spheres.

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1 The motivic Adams spectral sequence

Let F be an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0. Most of the time we will work with $F = \mathbb{C}$. Recall that objects in the stable motivic homotopy category

$$\mathrm{Sp}_F = L_{\mathbb{A}^1, \mathrm{Nis}}(\mathcal{P}(\mathrm{Sm}_F))_*[(S^1)^{-1}, \mathbb{G}_m^{-1}],$$

where S^1 is the usual simplicial circle and \mathbb{G}_m is the punctured affine line $\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus 0$, are bigraded motivic spectra representing generalised motivic cohomology theories. Write \mathbb{S}_F for the motivic sphere spectrum and write $\mathbb{S}_F^{n,w} := \mathbb{G}_m^{\wedge w} \wedge \Sigma^{n-w}\mathbb{S}$ for its (n, w) -suspension. The *stable motivic homotopy groups of spheres* are given by

$$\pi_{n,w} := \pi_{n,w}(\mathbb{S}_F) := \mathrm{hom}_{\mathrm{Sp}_F}(\mathbb{S}_F^{n,w}, \mathbb{S}_F).$$

In motivic weight 0 and over \mathbb{C} , they are isomorphic to the classical stable homotopy groups:

$$\pi_{n,0}(\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \pi_n(\mathbb{S}).$$

Analogous to singular cohomology, there is a cohomology theory called *motivic cohomology* with coefficients in an abelian group, represented by a (motivic) Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum. We will consider motivic cohomology with \mathbb{F}_2 -coefficients, represented by the mod 2 motivic Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum $M\mathbb{F}_2$. Write \mathbb{M}_2 for the bigraded motivic cohomology ring with \mathbb{F}_2 -coefficients $H^{*,*}(\text{Spec}(F)) = M\mathbb{F}_2^{*,*}(\text{Spec}(F))$. All cohomology groups we write (whether motivic or classical) are to be understood with \mathbb{F}_2 -coefficients.

Theorem 1.1 (Voevodsky). *The bigraded ring \mathbb{M}_2 is isomorphic to the polynomial ring $\mathbb{F}_2[\tau]$ on one generator τ of bidegree $(0, 1)$.*

We write $\mathcal{A}_{*,*} = [M\mathbb{F}_2, M\mathbb{F}_2]_{*,*}$ for the ring of stable cohomology operations in mod 2 motivic cohomology. It is called *motivic Steenrod algebra*, and it is generated over \mathbb{M}_2 by motivic Steenrod operations Sq^i , as the following theorem shows:

Theorem 1.2 (Voevodsky). *The motivic Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} is the \mathbb{M}_2 -algebra generated by elements Sq^{2k} of bidegree $(2k, k)$ and Sq^{2k-1} of bidegree $(2k-1, k-1)$ for all $k \geq 1$, satisfying the following relations for $a < 2b$:*

$$Sq^a Sq^b = \sum_c \binom{b-1-c}{a-2c} \tau^? Sq^{a+b-c} Sq^c,$$

where the exponent $?$ is either 0 or 1, easily determined by degrees.

Over \mathbb{C} , we can describe the *dual* motivic Steenrod algebra $\mathcal{A}_{*,*}$ (which we notationally will not distinguish from the motivic Steenrod algebra) even more explicitly by

$$\mathbb{M}_2[\tau_0, \tau_1, \dots, \xi_1, \xi_2, \dots] / (\tau_i^2 = \tau \xi_{i+1}), \quad |\tau_i| = (2^n - 1, 2^{n-1} - 1), \quad |\xi_i| = (2^{n+1} - 2, 2^n - 1).$$

If we invert τ , we will see that we obtain a polynomial algebra that is essentially the same as the classical dual Steenrod algebra. The *motivic Adams spectral sequence* is the trigraded spectral sequence with E_2 -page

$$E_2^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{S}_F) = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_2) \Rightarrow \pi_{t-s,v}((\mathbb{S}_F)_{(2)})$$

with differentials of the form $d_r : E_r^{s,t+s,v} \rightarrow E_r^{s-1,t+r,v}$, where s is the homological degree of the Ext-group (the Adams filtration), and (t, v) is the internal bigrading coming from the bigrading on \mathcal{A} and \mathbb{M}_2 , so t is the topological dimension and v is the motivic weight. For $x \in E_\infty(\mathbb{S})$, we write $\{x\}$ for the set of all elements of $\pi_{*,*}$ that are represented by x .

It is constructed analogously to the classical Adams spectral sequence: starting with the motivic sphere spectrum \mathbb{S}_F , one can inductively construct a motivic Adams resolution

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & K_2 & & K_1 & & K_0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \cdots & \longrightarrow & X_2 & \longrightarrow & X_1 & \longrightarrow & X_0 = \mathbb{S}_F \end{array}$$

where each K_i is a motivically finite type wedge of suspensions of $M\mathbb{F}_2$, the maps $X_i \rightarrow K_i$ are surjective on mod 2 motivic cohomology, and X_{i+1} is the homotopy fiber of $X_i \rightarrow K_i$. Applying $\pi_{*,v}$ gives an exact couple for each v , so a \mathbb{Z} -graded family of spectral sequences

indexed by v . The E_2 -term is $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_2)$ and abuts to the stable motivic homotopy group $\pi_{t-s,u}((\mathbb{S}_F)_{(2)})$ of the 2-completed motivic sphere spectrum.

The relation of the classical Adams spectral sequence and the motivic Adams spectral sequence we first would like to understand is the following one:

Theorem 1.3 ([DI10]). *After inverting τ , the motivic Adams spectral sequence becomes isomorphic to the classical Adams spectral sequence.*

The functor $\text{Sm}_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \text{Sp}$, $X \mapsto \Sigma_+^{\infty} X(\mathbb{C})$ induces a topological realisation functor

$$\text{Re}_{\mathbb{C}} : \text{Sp}_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \text{Sp}$$

uniquely determined up to homotopy by the fact that it preserves homotopy colimits and weak equivalences and that it sends the motivic suspension spectrum of a smooth scheme X to the ordinary suspension spectrum of the topological space of complex-valued points $X(\mathbb{C})$. It is called *Betti realisation* and maps $\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{n,w} \mapsto \mathbb{S}^n$.

It also sends the mod 2 motivic Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum $M\mathbb{F}_2$ to the classical mod 2 Eilenberg MacLane spectrum $H\mathbb{F}_2$, so induces a natural transformation

$$H^{p,q}(X) \rightarrow H^p(X(\mathbb{C})), \alpha \mapsto \alpha(\mathbb{C}),$$

where we view $H^*(X(\mathbb{C}))$ as bigraded concentrated in weight 0.

Definition 1.4. For X a motivic spectrum, let

$$\theta_X : H^{*,*}(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{M}_2} \mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}] \rightarrow H^*(X(\mathbb{C})) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_2} \mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}]$$

be the $\mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}]$ -linear map that takes a class α of weight w in $H^{*,*}(X)$ to $\tau^w \alpha(\mathbb{C})$.

Lemma 1.5. *For X the motivic sphere spectrum $\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}$ or the mod 2 motivic Eilenberg-MacLane spectrum $M\mathbb{F}_2$, the map θ_X is an isomorphism of bigraded $\mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}]$ -modules.*

Proof. • For $X = \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}$, the map θ_X is given by $\mathbb{M}_2 \otimes_{\mathbb{M}_2} \mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}] \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2 \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_2} \mathbb{M}[\tau^{-1}]$, which clearly is an isomorphism.

- For $X = M\mathbb{F}_2$, $H^{*,*}(X) = H^{*,*}(M\mathbb{F}_2)$ is the motivic Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A} and $H^*(X(\mathbb{C})) = H^*(H\mathbb{F}_2)$ is the classical Steenrod algebra \mathcal{A}_{cl} . The map θ_X maps Sq^{2k} to $\tau^{-k} Sq^{2k}$ and Sq^{2k-1} to $\tau^{-k} Sq^{2k-1}$. Now $\mathcal{A} \otimes_{\mathbb{M}_2} \mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}]$ is free as an $\mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}]$ -module on the admissible monomials, and $\mathcal{A}_{\text{cl}} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_2} \mathbb{M}[\tau^{-1}]$ is free as an $\mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}]$ -module on the admissible monomials, so θ_X is an isomorphism. \square

Corollary 1.6. *The map $\mathcal{A}[\tau^{-1}] \cong \mathcal{A} \otimes_{\mathbb{M}_2} \mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}] \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{\text{cl}} \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_2} \mathbb{M}_2[\tau^{-1}]$ that takes Sq^{2k} to $\tau^{-k} Sq^{2k}$ and Sq^{2k+1} to $\tau^{-k} Sq^{2k+1}$ is an isomorphism of bigraded rings.*

Considering a motivic Adams resolution from before, we can apply the topological realisation functor to obtain a tower of homotopy fiber sequences of classical spectra.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & K_2(\mathbb{C}) & & K_1(\mathbb{C}) & & K_0(\mathbb{C}) \\ & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & X_2(\mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow & X_1(\mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow & X_0(\mathbb{C}) & = & \mathbb{S} \end{array}$$

It can be shown that this indeed is a classical Adams resolution, which amounts to showing that the maps $X_i(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow K(\mathbb{C})$ are surjective on mod 2 singular cohomology. Topological realization gives maps $\pi_{p,q}(Z) \rightarrow \pi_p(Z(\mathbb{C}))$ for any motivic spectrum Z , so we get a map from the homotopy exact couple of (X, K) to that of $(X(\mathbb{C}), K(\mathbb{C}))$. We obtain a map from the motivic spectral sequence for the motivic sphere spectrum to the classical Adams spectral sequence for the classical sphere spectrum. On E_2 -pages:

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_2) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{cl}}}^{s,t}(\mathbb{F}_2, \mathbb{F}_2).$$

Note that $\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{0,*,*}(\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_2) = \mathrm{hom}_{\mathcal{A}}^{*,*}(\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_2) = \mathbb{F}_2[\tilde{\tau}]$, where $\tilde{\tau}$ is the dual of τ and has degree $(0, 0, -1)$. By abuse of notation, write τ instead of $\tilde{\tau}$ and write $\tilde{\mathbb{M}}_2$ for $\mathbb{F}_2[\tilde{\tau}]$. With what we have discussed so far, one can show the following:

Proposition 1.7. *There is an isomorphism of rings*

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_2) \otimes_{\tilde{\mathbb{M}}_2} \tilde{\mathbb{M}}_2[\tau^{-1}] \cong \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{cl}}}(\mathbb{F}_2, \mathbb{F}_2) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_2} \mathbb{F}_2[\tau, \tau^{-1}].$$

This gives Theorem 1.3, which in turn implies that the motivic differentials and motivic hidden extension¹ must be compatible with their classical analogues, a key computational tool.

2 Cofibre of τ using Adams

The E_2 -page $\mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{M}_2, \mathbb{M}_2)$ of the motivic Adams spectral sequence contains a non-trivial element in Adams-filtration 0:

$$\mathbb{M}_2 = \mathbb{F}_2[\tau] \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathbb{F}_2[\tau] = \mathbb{M}_2,$$

multiplication by τ on $\mathbb{F}_2[\tau]$. This is different from the topological Adams spectral sequence for \mathbb{S} , where the only elements in Adams filtration 0 are the identity and the zero map. It can be seen that this element survives to the E_∞ -page as it cannot be involved with any differentials for degree reasons, so it detects a map

$$\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,-1} \xrightarrow{\tau} (\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,0})_{(2)}.$$

To avoid complications about the existence of a non-completed version of this map, we will from now on work 2-completed, that is, in 2-completed spectra obtained by localisation at either the Moore spectrum $\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}/2$ or the EM-spectrum $M\mathbb{F}_2$, but we will stick to the original notation for 2-completed spectra. The motivic Adams spectral sequence produces a nontrivial map

$$\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,-1} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,0}.$$

The Betti realisation functor $\mathrm{Re}_{\mathbb{C}} : \mathrm{Sp}_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Sp}$ induces a split surjection $\pi_{n,w}(\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}) \twoheadrightarrow \pi_n(\mathbb{S})$ with section induced by the constant functor. It sends the map $\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,-1} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,0}$ to the identity $\mathbb{S} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{id}} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}$, and it sends C_τ to a contractible spectrum. Hence, C_τ is a purely motivic spectrum

¹Let α be an element of $\pi_{*,*}$ that is detected by an element a of the motivic Adams spectral sequence. A *hidden extension* by α is a pair of elements b, c of E_∞ such that $ab = 0$ in the E_∞ -page; there is an element $\beta \in \{b\}$ such that $\alpha\beta \in \{c\}$; and if there exists an element $\beta' \in \{b'\}$ such that $\alpha\beta' \in \{c\}$, then the Adams filtration of b' is less than or equal to the Adams filtration of b .

living in the kernel of Betti realization, and computationally, the Betti realisation functor can be interpreted as sending the element τ to 1. The above map gives a cofibre sequence

$$\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,-1} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,0} \longrightarrow C_{\tau} \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{1,-1},$$

where we write C_{τ} for the cofibre of τ . In other words, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,-1} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}^{0,0} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ * & \longrightarrow & C_{\tau} \end{array}$$

is a pushout square in $(\mathrm{Sp}_{\mathbb{C}})_{(2)}$. We will now be interested in the motivic Adams spectral sequence for C_{τ} , which takes the form

$$E_2^{s,t,v}(C_{\tau}) = \mathrm{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s,t,v}(H^{*,*}(C_{\tau}), \mathbb{M}_2) \Rightarrow \pi_{t-s,v}(C_{\tau}),$$

where the stable homotopy groups of C_{τ} are to be understood 2-completed. The main tool to compute it is the long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow E_2(\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}) \xrightarrow{\tau} E_2(\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}) \longrightarrow E_2(C_{\tau}) \longrightarrow \cdots$$

associated to the cofibre sequence above. We get a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathrm{coker}(\tau) \longrightarrow E_2(C_{\tau}) \longrightarrow \ker(\tau) \longrightarrow 0,$$

by which the desired $E_2(C_{\tau})$ is almost entirely described. An important method to compute Adams differentials for $E_2(C_{\tau})$ is to borrow results about the motivic Adams spectral sequence for $\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{F}}$, furthermore analyses of brackets and hidden extensions are necessary.

Theorem 2.1 ([Isa19]). *The E_{∞} -page of the motivic Adams spectral sequence for C_{τ} is known up to the 63-stem.*

3 The motivic Adams-Novikov spectral sequence

The classical Brown-Peterson spectrum BP which is used to define the classical Adams-Novikov spectral sequence

$$E_2^{s,t}(\mathbb{S}; BP) = \mathrm{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{s,t}(BP_*, BP_*) \Rightarrow \pi_{t-s}(\mathbb{S}_{(2)})$$

has a motivic analogue, the motivic Brown-Peterson spectrum BPL . Analogous to going from the classical Adams spectral sequence to the generalized Adams spectral sequence and the Adams-Novikov spectral sequence, one can obtain the motivic Adams-Novikov spectral sequence

$$E_2^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{F}}; BPL) = \mathrm{Ext}_{BPL_{*,*}BPL}^{s,t}(BPL_{*,*}, BPL_{*,*}) \Rightarrow \pi_{t-s,v}((\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{F}})_{(2)})$$

from the motivic Adams spectral sequence by replacing the spectra used. Again, classical and motivic spectral sequence are closely related.

Definition 3.1. Define a trigraded object $\overline{E}_2(\mathbb{S}_F, BPL)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{E}_2^{s,t,\frac{s+t}{2}}(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL) &:= E_2^{s,t}(\mathbb{S}, BP), \\ \overline{E}_2^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL) &:= 0 \quad \text{if } v \neq \frac{s+t}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.2 ([HKO11]). *The $E_2(\mathbb{S}_F, BPL)$ -page of the motivic Adams-Novikov spectral sequence is isomorphic to the trigraded object*

$$\overline{E}_2(\mathbb{S}_F, BPL) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_2} \mathbb{Z}_2[\tau],$$

where τ has degree $(0, 0, -1)$. In other words, in order to produce the motivic E_2 -page, start with the classical E_2 -page. At degree (s, t) , replace each copy of \mathbb{Z}_2 or $\mathbb{Z}/2^n$ with a copy of $\mathbb{Z}_2[\tau]$ or $\mathbb{Z}/2^n[\tau]$ respectively, where the generator has weight $\frac{s+t}{2}$.

Analogous to the case of the Adams spectral sequence, we have:

Theorem 3.3. *After inverting τ , the motivic Adams-Novikov spectral sequence is isomorphic to the classical Adams-Novikov spectral sequence tensored over \mathbb{Z}_2 with $\mathbb{Z}_2[\tau^{\pm 1}]$.*

4 Cofibre of τ using Adams-Novikov

As in the Adams case, we can say something about the motivic Adams-Novikov spectral sequence for the cofibre of τ .

Lemma 4.1. $E_2(C_\tau; BPL) \cong \overline{E}_2^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL)$.

Proof. The cofibre sequence

$$\mathbb{S}_C^{0,-1} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathbb{S}_C^{0,0} \longrightarrow C_\tau \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}_C^{1,-1}$$

induces a long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow E_2(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL) \xrightarrow{\tau} E_2(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL) \longrightarrow E_2(C_\tau; BPL) \longrightarrow \cdots.$$

By Theorem 3.2 the map $E_2(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL) \xrightarrow{\tau} E_2(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL)$ is injective. So $E_2(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL)$ is isomorphic to the cokernel of τ , which again by Theorem 3.2 is isomorphic to $\overline{E}_2^{s,t,v}(\mathbb{S}_F; BPL)$. \square

Lemma 4.2. *All differentials in the motivic Adams-Novikov spectral sequence for C_τ vanish.*

Proof. By Lemma 4.1, $E_2(C_\tau; BPL)$ is concentrated in degrees (s, t, v) with $s+t-2v=0$. But the Adams-Novikov differential d_r increases $s+t-2v$ by $r-1$, so all differentials are zero. \square

Lemma 4.3. *There are no hidden τ -extensions in $E_\infty(C_\tau; BPL)$.*

Proof. Let x and y be nonzero elements of $E_\infty(C_\tau; BPL)$ of degrees (s, t, v) and (s, t', v') with $t' > t$. Then $v' \geq v$ since $v = (s+t)/2$ and $v' = (s+t')/2$. The lifts $\{x\}$ live in degree $(t-s, v)$, so $\tau\beta$ for $\beta \in \{x\}$ lives in degree $(t-s, v-1)$ as τ has degree $(0, -1)$. Hence, $\tau\beta$ can't be in the degree of $\{y\}$ which is $(t'-s, v')$. \square

Theorem 4.4 ([Isa19]). *There is an isomorphism of bigraded abelian groups*

$$\pi_{s,v}(C_\tau) \xrightarrow{\sim} E_2^{s,2v-s}(\mathbb{S}_F; BP) = \text{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{s,2v-s}(BP_*, BP_*) \quad \text{for any } s, v \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proof. By Lemma 4.1, $E_2(C_\tau; BPL)$ is isomorphic to $E_2(\mathbb{S}, BP)$ when taking appropriate degrees. By Lemma 4.2, $E_\infty(C_\tau, BPL)$ is also isomorphic to $E_2(\mathbb{S}, BP)$. As in the proof of Lemma 4.3, there are no hidden extensions of any kind for degree reasons. Hence, $\pi_{s,v}(C_\tau)$ is also isomorphic to $E_2(\mathbb{S}, BP)$. \square

This is very surprising, as it shows that the homotopy groups of a motivic 2-cell complex, which in principle could be as complicated as $\pi_{*,*}(\mathbb{S}_\mathbb{C})$, are completely algebraic.

Corollary 4.5 ([GI17]). *The group $\pi_{s,v}(C_\tau)$ is zero when $v > s$, $v \leq \frac{1}{2}s$ or $s < 0$, except that $\pi_{0,0}(C_\tau) = \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}$, as depicted in Figure 1.*

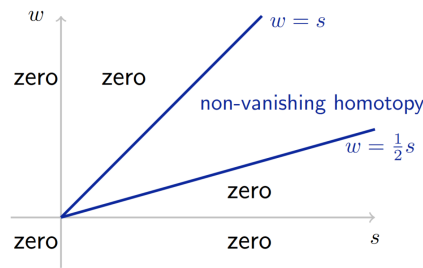


Figure 1: Vanishing regions of the homotopy groups $\pi_{s,w}(C_\tau)$, taken from [Ghe18].

Going the other way, we can also use results about $\pi_{*,*}(C_\tau)$ to compute the classical Adams-Novikov E_2 -page. With this technique, the classical Adams-Novikov spectral sequence, including differentials and hidden extensions, could be computed in a larger rang than previously known.

Theorem 4.6 ([Isa19]). *Apart from few uncertainties, the E_∞ -page of the classical Adams-Novikov spectral sequence is known through the 59-stem.*

In fact, the isomorphism of Theorem 4.4 can be refined to an isomorphism of rings.

Theorem 4.7 ([Ghe18]). *There exists a unique E_∞ -ring structure on C_τ .*

(The module category $\text{Mod}_{C_\tau}(\text{Sp}_\mathbb{C})$ will be considered in more detail in the next talk.)

Theorem 4.8 ([Ghe18]). *The isomorphism*

$$\pi_{*,*}(C_\tau) \cong \text{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{*,*}(BP_*, BP_*)$$

is an isomorphism of rings which sends Toda brackets in $\pi_{,*}$ to Massey products in Ext , and vice-versa.*

Even more: by [GWX21], the \mathbb{C} -motivic Adams spectral sequence $E_*(C_\tau)$ converging to the stable motivic homotopy groups $\pi_{*,*}(C_\tau)$ of the cofibre of τ is (up to reindexing) completely identical to the algebraic Novikov spectral sequence which converges to the E_2 -page $\text{Ext}_{BP_*BP}^{*,*}(BP_*, BP_*)$ of the classical Adams-Novikov spectral sequence at $p = 2$ (next talk).

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