

HOMOLOGY AND GENERALIZED EVALUATION SUBGROUPS OF HOMOTOPY GROUPS

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D.H. Gottlieb showed that $G_n(X)$ is contained in the kernel of mod p Hurewicz homomorphism under some conditions. He proved the following theorems [2].

THEOREM. *Let X be a topological space with finitely generated integer homology. If n is an odd integer, then $G_n(X)$ is contained in the kernel of h_p for p any prime number provided the Euler-Poincare number $\chi(X) \neq 0$, where $h_p: \Pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X; Z_p)$ is the map as composition of Hurewicz map tensored with Z_p .*

THEOREM. *Let X have finitely generated integer homology. Suppose p is a prime which does not divided $\chi(X)$. Then $G_n(X)$ is contained in the kernel of h_p for even n .*

In [5], the first author and Kim introduced the generalized evaluation subgroups $G_n^f(X, A)$ of homotopy groups $\Pi_n(X)$ as a generalization of $G_n(X)$.

Let $(X, *)$ and $(A, *)$ be any two pointed topological spaces and $f: (A, *) \rightarrow (X, *)$ be a fixed map.

Consider the class of continuous functions

$$\phi: A \times S^n \rightarrow X$$

such that $\phi(a, *) = f(a)$. Then the map $g: (S^n, *) \rightarrow (X, *)$ defined by $g(s) = \phi(*, s)$ represents an element $[g] \in \Pi_n(X, *)$. The set of all element $[g] \in \Pi_n(X, *)$ obtained in the above manner from some ϕ was denoted by $G_n^f(X, A, *)$ and called the *generalized evaluation subgroup* of $\Pi_n(X, *)$. Thus for every $[g] \in G_n^f(X, A, *)$, there is at least one map $\phi: A \times S^n \rightarrow X$ which satisfies the above conditions. We say that ϕ is an *affiliated map* to $[g]$ with respect to A . It was denoted by $G_n(X, A)$ if f is an inclusion from A to X . The evaluation subgroup

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$G_n(X)$ is equal to $G_n^1(X, X, *)$.

Since $G_n(X, A)$ contains $G_n(X)$, we raise some questions; Is $G_n(X, A)$ contained in the kernel of h_p ? If it is not true, what are conditions so that it is true?

In this paper, in order to solve the problem, we study the algebraic structure induced by $\phi: A \times S^n \rightarrow X$ affiliated to some $\alpha \in G_n^f(X, A)$, on the homology which is a modified notion of D. H. Gottlieb's results. And we show that it is closely related to $G_n^{Rel}(X, A)$ constructed by us [6].

By the künnetth formula and the fact that $H_*(S^n, Z)$ has no torsion, we have

$$\mu: H_*(A; G) \otimes H_*(S^n; Z) \cong H_*(A \times S^n; G).$$

Thus if $x \in H_*(A \times S^n; G)$, $x = \mu(y \otimes 1 + z \otimes \lambda)$, for some $y, z \in H_*(A; G)$ where $\lambda \in H_n(S^n; Z)$ is a fundamental class of S^n . We shall denote $\mu(z \otimes z')$ by $z \times z'$.

PROPOSITION 1. *Let $\phi: A \times S^n \rightarrow X$ be an affiliated map of $\alpha \in G_n^f(X, A, x_0)$ with trace g . Then in homology, $\phi_*(1 \times \lambda) = g_*(\lambda)$ and if f has a left homotopy inverse r , $r_*\phi_*(x \times 1) = x$, for $x \in H_n(A; G)$.*

Proof. Let $i_1: A \rightarrow A \times S^n$ be the map which is given by $i_1(x) = (x, s_0)$ and $i_2: S^n \rightarrow A \times S^n$ given by $i_2(s) = (x_0, s)$, where x_0, s_0 are base points of A, S^n , respectively. Let p_1 and p_2 be the natural projections from $A \times S^n$ to A , to S^n , respectively. Then $p_{1*}(z \times z') = z \times \varepsilon(z')$ and $p_{2*}(z \times z') = \varepsilon(z) \times z'$, where ε is an augmentation. See [3]. Thus $p_{1*}(x \times 1) = x$ and $p_{1*}(x \times \lambda) = 0$. Also $p_{2*}(1 \times \lambda) = \lambda$, $p_{2*}(x \times \lambda) = 0$ and $p_{2*}(x \times 1) = 0$ if $x \in H_q(A; G)$ where $q > 0$. Now since $p_1 i_1 = 1_A$, $i_{1*}(x) = x \times 1$ for $x \in H_*(A; G)$ and since $p_2 i_2 = 1_{S^n}$, $i_{2*}(y) = 1 \times y$, for $y \in H_*(S^n; Z)$. Since $\phi i_2 = g$, $\phi_*(1 \times \lambda) = \phi_* i_{2*}(\lambda) = g_*(\lambda)$. Since $\phi i_1 = f$, $\phi_*(x \times 1) = \phi_* i_{1*}(x) = f_*(x)$. Thus $r_*\phi_*(x \times 1) = r_*\phi_* i_{1*}(x) = r_* f_*(x) = x$.

PROPOSITION 2. *Let $\phi: A \times S^n \rightarrow X$ be an affiliated map of $\alpha \in G_n^f(X, A, x_0)$ with trace g . If r is a left homotopy inverse of f , then $r\phi$ induces a homomorphism*

$$K_\lambda: H_q(A; G) \rightarrow H_{q+n}(A; G).$$

Proof. Define $K_\lambda(x) = r_*\phi_*(x \times \lambda)$. Then K_λ is a homomorphism. In fact, $K_\lambda(x+y) = r_*\phi_*((x+y) \times \lambda) = r_*\phi_*(\mu((x+y) \otimes \lambda))$
 $= r_*\phi_*(\mu(x \otimes \lambda) + \mu(y \otimes \lambda)) = r_*\phi_*(x \otimes \lambda) + r_*\phi_*(y \otimes \lambda)$
 $= K_\lambda(x) + K_\lambda(y)$.

We shall define $K_\lambda^n(x) = K_\lambda(K_\lambda^{n-1}(x))$ and $K_\lambda^0(x) = r_*\phi_*(x \times 1)$. Then $K_\lambda^0(x) = x$ by Proposition 1.

Let G be a field. Then by the k nneth formula,

$$\mu' : H_*(A ; G) \otimes H_*(A ; G) = H_*(A \times A ; G).$$

We shall denote $\mu'(z \otimes z')$ by $z \times z'$. If Δ stand for the diagonal map $A \rightarrow A \times A$, then $\Delta_*(x) = \sum z_i \times z_i'$ where $z_i, z_i' \in H_*(A ; G)$.

PROPOSITION 3. *Let Δ be the diagonal map $A \rightarrow A \times A$ and $\Delta_*(x) = \sum z_i \times z_i'$. Then $\Delta_*(K_\lambda(x)) = \sum z_i \times K_\lambda(z_i') + \sum (-1)^{n \dim z_i} K_\lambda(z_i) \times z_i'$.*

Proof. Consider the following diagram;

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & (A \times A) \times (S^n \times S^n) \\
 & \nearrow \Delta \times \Delta & \downarrow 1 \times T \times 1 \\
 A \times A & \xrightarrow{\quad} & (A \times S^n) \times (A \times S^n) \\
 \downarrow \phi & \Delta & \downarrow \phi \times \phi \\
 X & \xrightarrow{\quad} & X \times X \\
 \downarrow r & \Delta & \downarrow r \times r \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\quad} & A \times A \\
 & \Delta &
 \end{array}$$

The diagram commutes where $T : A \times S^n \rightarrow S^n \times A$ is given by $T(x, s) = (s, x)$, ϕ is an affiliated map and r is a left homotopy inverse of f . Note that $T_* : H_*(A ; G) \otimes H_*(S^n ; Z) \rightarrow H_*(S^n ; Z) \otimes H_*(A ; G)$ is given by $T_*(z \otimes x) = (-1)^{p q} x \otimes z$ where $z \in H_q(A ; G)$ and $x \in H_p(S^n ; Z)$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta_*(K_\lambda(x)) &= \Delta_* r_* \phi_*(x \times \lambda) \\
 &= (r_* \times r_*) (\phi_* \times \phi_*) (1 \times T_* \times 1) (\Delta_* \times \Delta_*) (x \times \lambda) \\
 &= (r_* \times r_*) (\phi_* \times \phi_*) (1 \times T_* \times 1) (\Delta_*(x) \times (1 \times \lambda + \lambda \times 1)) \\
 &= (r_* \times r_*) (\phi_* \times \phi_*) (1 \times T_* \times 1) (\sum (z_i \times z_i') \times (1 \times \lambda + \lambda \times 1)) \\
 &= (r_* \times r_*) (\phi_* \times \phi_*) (1 \times T_* \times 1) ((\sum (z_i \times z_i' \times 1 \times \lambda) + (\sum (z_i \times z_i' \times \lambda \times 1))) \\
 &= (r_* \times r_*) (\phi_* \times \phi_*) \{ \sum (z_i \times 1) \times (z_i' \times \lambda) + \sum (-1)^{n \dim z_i'} (z_i \times \lambda) \times (z_i' \times 1) \} \\
 &= \sum r_* \phi_*(z_i \times 1) \times r_* \phi_*(z_i' \times \lambda) + \sum (-1)^{n \dim z_i'} r_* \phi_*(z_i \times \lambda) \times r_* \phi_*(z_i' \times 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum z_i \times K_\lambda(z_i') + \sum (-1)^{n \dim z_i'} K_\lambda(z_i) \times z_i'.$$

We define the homomorphism $K_\lambda^p \otimes K_\lambda^q$, $p, q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, on $H_*(A; G) \otimes H_*(A; G)$ by the rule

$$(K_\lambda^p \otimes K_\lambda^q)(x \otimes y) = (-1)^{p \dim y} K_\lambda^p(x) \otimes K_\lambda^q(y). \text{ We shall denote } \mu(K^p \otimes K_\lambda^q) = K_\lambda^p \times K_\lambda^q. \text{ Thus, by Propostion 3, we see that}$$

$$\Delta_*(K_\lambda(x)) = (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)(\Delta_*(x)).$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_*(K_\lambda^2(x)) &= \Delta_*(K_\lambda(K_\lambda(x))) = (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)(\Delta_*(K_\lambda(x))) \\ &= (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)(K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)(\Delta_*(x)). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \Delta_*(K_\lambda^p(x)) = (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)^{p-1} (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)(\Delta_*(x)).$$

REMARK 1. If n is even, $(K_\lambda^p \times K_\lambda^q)(x \times y) = K_\lambda^p(x) \times K_\lambda^q(y)$. So we may regard $(K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)^p = \sum \binom{p}{i} K_\lambda^i \times K_\lambda^{p-i}$.

On the other hand, if n is odd, then observe that

$$\begin{aligned} (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)^2(x \times y) &= (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)(K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)(x \times y) \\ &= (K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)((-1)^{n \dim y} K_\lambda(x) \times y + x \times K_\lambda(y)) \\ &= (-1)^{n \dim y} K_\lambda(x) \times K_\lambda(y) + x \times K_\lambda(K_\lambda(y)) \\ &\quad + (-1)^{2n \dim y} K_\lambda^2(x) \times y + (-1)^{n \dim K_\lambda(y)} K_\lambda(x) \times K_\lambda(y). \end{aligned}$$

But $\dim K_\lambda(y) = \dim y + n$. So $n \dim K_\lambda(y) = n \dim y + n^2$. Since n^2 is odd, we have $(-1)^{n \dim K_\lambda(y)} = -(-1)^{n \dim y}$. So the $K_\lambda(x) \times K_\lambda(y)$ terms cancel.

Thus

$$(K_\lambda \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda)^2(x \times y) = (K_\lambda^2 \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda^2)(x \times y).$$

Before we prove the main theorems in this section, we study some properties of $H_*(A; Z_p)$ and K_λ .

LEMMA 4. The following diagram commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} H_0(A) \otimes H_n(S^n) & \xrightarrow{\bar{\mu}} & H_n(A \times S^n) & \xrightarrow{\phi_*} & H_n(X) \\ \downarrow q \otimes 1 & & \downarrow q_1 & & \downarrow q_2 \\ H_0(A) \otimes Z_p \otimes H_n(S^n) & & H_n(A \times S^n) \otimes Z_p & \xrightarrow{\phi_* \otimes 1} & H_n(X) \otimes Z_p \\ \downarrow \mu & & \downarrow \mu_1 & & \downarrow \mu_2 \\ H_0(A; Z_p) \otimes H_n(S^n) & \xrightarrow{\bar{\mu}} & H_n(A \times S^n; Z_p) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H_n(X; Z_p) \end{array}$$

where $\bar{\mu}$ is the map in the Künneth formula, q, q_1 and q_2 are maps tensored with Z_p and μ, μ_1 and μ_2 are the maps in the universal coefficient

theorem.

Proof. $\mu_1 q_1 \bar{\mu}(\{\alpha\} \otimes \{\beta\}) = (\mu_1 q_1) \{\alpha \otimes \beta\} = \mu_1(\{\alpha \otimes \beta\} \otimes 1_p) = \{\alpha \otimes \beta \otimes 1_p\}$ and $\bar{\mu} \mu(q \otimes 1)(\{\alpha\} \otimes \{\beta\}) = \bar{\mu} \mu(\{\alpha\} \otimes 1_p \otimes \{\beta\}) = \bar{\mu}(\{\alpha \otimes 1_p\} \otimes \{\beta\}) = \{\alpha \otimes \beta \otimes 1_p\}$ for $\{\alpha\} \in H_0(A)$, $\{\beta\} \in H_n(S^n)$ and $1_p \in Z_p$ is a generator. So the rectangle on the left is commutative. Also, the rectangles on the right are commutative, because μ_1 and μ_2 are functorial.

We shall denote $1_p = \mu(1 \otimes 1_p) \in H_*(A; Z_p)$ where 1 is the generator of $H_0(A)$ and $1_p \in Z_p$.

DEFINITION 5. Suppose $0 \neq x \in H_i(A; Z_p)$. We say that x has λ -depth d [2] if there is $y \in H_{i-dn}(A; Z_p)$ such that $K_\lambda^d(y) = x$ and $K_\lambda^{d+1}(z) \neq x$ for any $z \in H_*(A; Z_p)$.

Since $K_\lambda^0(x) = r_* \phi_*(x \times 1) = r_* \phi_* i_{1*}(x) = r_* f_*(x) = x$, every $x \in H_i(A; Z_p)$ has a nonnegative λ -depth.

LEMMA 6. Suppose $K_\lambda(1_p) \neq 0$ and $\dim \lambda (=n)$ is odd. If $K_\lambda(x) = 0$, then x has odd λ -depth.

Proof. Suppose x has λ -depth d and $K_\lambda^d(y) = x$. Then $0 = \Delta_*(K_\lambda(x)) = \Delta_*(K_\lambda^{d+1}(y))$. Let us assume that d is even and that

$$\Delta_*(y) = y \times 1_p + 1_p \times y + \sum_i y_i \times y_i'$$

Then by Remark 1,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_*(K_\lambda^{d+1}(y)) &= (1 \times K_\lambda + K_\lambda \times 1)(K_\lambda^2 \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda^2)^{\frac{d}{2}}(y \times 1_p) \\ &\quad + (1 \times K_\lambda + K_\lambda \times 1)(K_\lambda^2 \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda^2)^{\frac{d}{2}}(1_p \times y) \\ &\quad + \sum (1 \times K_\lambda + K_\lambda + 1)(K_\lambda^2 \times 1 + 1 \times K_\lambda^2)^{\frac{d}{2}}(y_i \times y_i') \dots (*) \end{aligned}$$

Since $K_\lambda^d(y) \neq 0$ and $K_\lambda(1_p) \neq 0$ and $H_*(A; Z_p)$ is a free module, $K_\lambda^d(y) \otimes K_\lambda(1_p) \neq 0$. So $\mu(K_\lambda^d(y) \otimes K_\lambda(1_p)) = K_\lambda^d(y) \times K_\lambda(1_p) \neq 0$. But $K_\lambda^d(y) \times K_\lambda(1_p)$ appears in terms of $\Delta_*(K_\lambda^{d+1}(y))$. Thus $K_\lambda^d(y) \times K_\lambda(1_p) + \sum z_j \times z_j' = 0$ where z_j and z_j' are in formula (*) such that $\dim z_j' = n$ and $\dim z_j = \dim K_\lambda^d(y)$. But since $\dim z_j = \dim K_\lambda^d(y)$ and $\dim y_i < \dim y$, z_j is of the form $K_\lambda^{d+1}(v_j)$ where v_j is some y_i with $\dim v_j = \dim y - n$. Now $\sum K_\lambda^{d+1}(v_j) \times z_j' = -K_\lambda^d(y) \times K_\lambda(1_p)$. Since $H_*(A; Z_p)$ is a free module, $K_\lambda^d(y)$ is a linear combination of $K_\lambda^{d+1}(v_j)$. i. e., $K_\lambda^d(y) = \sum \alpha_j K_\lambda^{d+1}(v_j) = K_\lambda^{d+1}(\sum \alpha_j v_j)$, for $\alpha_j \in Z_p$. Let $\sum \alpha_j v_j = z$. Then $x = K_\lambda^d(y) = K_\lambda^{d+1}(z)$. So x has λ -depth greater

than d , a contradiction.

LEMMA 7. $H_q(A; Z_p)$ (vector space over Z_p) can be written as the direct sum of spaces $A_q^d \oplus \dots \oplus A_q^0$ such that $x \in A_q^r$ has λ -depth r .

Proof. Define A_q^r as following; $K_\lambda(H_{q-n}(A; Z_p))$ is a subspace of $H_q(A; Z_p)$. Let Q_0 be the complementary subspace of $K_\lambda(H_{q-n}(A; Z_p))$, that is,

$$K_\lambda(H_{q-n}(A; Z_p)) \oplus Q_0 = H_q(A; Z_p).$$

Let $A_q^0 = Q_0$. $K_\lambda K_\lambda(H_{q-2n}(A; Z_p))$ is a subspace of $K_\lambda(H_{q-n}(A; Z_p))$. Thus it is a subspace of $H_q(A; Z_p)$. Let Q_1 be the complementary subspace of $K_\lambda K_\lambda(H_{q-2n}(A; Z_p))$ in $K_\lambda(H_{q-n}(A; Z_p))$, that is,

$$K_\lambda K_\lambda(H_{q-2n}(A; Z_p)) \oplus Q_1 = K_\lambda(H_{q-n}(A; Z_p))$$

Let $A_q^1 = Q_1$. Then

$$H_q(A; Z_p) = K_\lambda K_\lambda(H_{q-n}(A; Z_p)) \oplus A_q^1 \oplus A_q^0.$$

Inductively, we define A_q^r by the complementary subspace of $K_\lambda^{r+1}(H_{q-(r+1)n}(A; Z_p))$ in $K_\lambda^r(H_{q-rn}(A; Z_p))$, that is,

$$K_\lambda^{r+1}(H_{q-(r+1)n}(A; Z_p)) \oplus A_q^r = K_\lambda^r(H_{q-rn}(A; Z_p)).$$

Let $\left[\frac{q}{n} \right] = d$, where $[]$ is the Gauss function. Then we have

$$K_\lambda^d(H_{q-dn}(A; Z_p)) \oplus A_q^{d-1} \oplus \dots \oplus A_q^0 = H_q(A; Z_p).$$

But since $q - (d+1)n < 0$, $H_{q-(d+1)n}(A; Z_p) = 0$. So $K_\lambda^{d+1}(H_{q-(d+1)n}(A; Z_p)) = 0$ and therefore $K_\lambda^d(H_{q-dn}(A; Z_p)) = Q_d = A_q^d$. Consequently,

$$H_q(A; Z_p) = A_q^0 \oplus A_q^1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_q^d,$$

where $d = \left[\frac{q}{n} \right]$. If $x \in A_q^r$, then $x \in K_\lambda^r(H_{q-rn}(A; Z_p))$ and $x \in Q_r$.

So there is a $y \in H_{q-rn}(A; Z_p)$ such that $K_\lambda^r(y) = x$ and $x \neq K_\lambda^{r+1}(z)$ for any $z \in H_*(A; Z_p)$. Thus x has λ -depth r .

In particular, we have $K_\lambda(A_q^r) \supset A_{q+n}^{r+1}$. In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} K_\lambda^{r+2}(H_{q+n-(r+2)n}(A; Z_p)) \oplus A_{q+n}^{r+1} &= K_\lambda^{r+1}(H_{q+n-(r+1)n}(A; Z_p)) \\ &= K_\lambda^{r+1}(H_{q-rn}(A; Z_p)) = K_\lambda(K_\lambda^r(H_{q-rn}(A; Z_p))) \\ &= K_\lambda(K_\lambda^{r+1}(H_{q-(r+1)n}(A; Z_p)) \oplus A_q^r) \\ &\subset K_\lambda^{r+2}(H_{q+n-(r+2)n}(A; Z_p)) + K_\lambda(A_q^r). \end{aligned}$$

But since A_{q+n}^{r+1} is complementary to $K_\lambda^{r+2}(H_{q+n-(r+2)n}(A; Z_p))$, $A_{q+n}^{r+1} \subset K_\lambda(A_q^r)$.

LEMMA 8. Let A_q^r be the subspace of $H_q(A; Z_p)$ defined in Lemma 7. If d is even, $K_\lambda: A_q^d \cong A_{q+n}^{d+1}$.

Proof. We first show that $K_\lambda(A_q^d) = A_{q+n}^{d+1}$. For suppose not. Then there exists an $x \in A_q^d$ such that $K_\lambda(x)$ has λ -depth greater than $d+1$. Thus there is a $z \in H_*(A; Z_p)$ such that $K_\lambda(x) = K_\lambda^r(z)$ for $r > d+1$. Let $y = K_\lambda^{r-1}(z)$. Then $K_\lambda(x) = K_\lambda(y)$. Since $x \in A_q^d$, $x = K_\lambda^d(z')$ for some $z' \in H_{q-dn}(A; Z_p)$ and $x \neq K_\lambda^{d+1}(w)$ for any $w \in H_*(A; Z_p)$. Then

$x - y = K_\lambda^d(z') - K_\lambda^{r-1}(z) = K_\lambda^d(z' - K_\lambda^{r-d-1}(z))$ and $x - y \neq K_\lambda^{d+1}(w)$ for any $w \in H_*(A; Z_p)$, because if $x - y = K_\lambda^{d+1}(w)$, $x = K_\lambda^{d+1}(w) + K_\lambda^{r-1}(z) = K_\lambda^{d+1}(w + K_\lambda^{r-d-2}(z))$ which is a contradiction. But since $K_\lambda(x - y) = 0$ and d is even, $x - y = 0$ by Lemma 6. Thus y has λ -depth d . This is a contradiction to $y = K_\lambda^{r-1}(z)$, where $r - 1 > d$. Consequently,

$$K_\lambda(A_q^d) = A_{q+n}^{d+1}.$$

Similarly, if $K_\lambda(x - y) = 0$, then $x - y = 0$. This implies that K_λ is injective.

Let $h : \Pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X; Z)$ be the Hurewicz homomorphism. We shall define $h_p : \Pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X; Z) \rightarrow H_n(X; Z_p)$ as composition of h tensored with Z_p . h_p will be called *the mod p Hurewicz homomorphism*. We shall let h_∞ stand for the Hurewicz map $h_\infty : \Pi_n(X) \rightarrow H_n(X; Q)$ where Q is the rational field.

THEOREM 9. *Let X and A be topological spaces and A have a finitely generated integer homology and $f : A \rightarrow X$ be a map which has a left homotopy inverse r . If n is an odd integer, then $G_n^f(X, A, x_0)$ is contained in the kernel of $r_* h_p$, for any prime number p or ∞ provided $\chi(A) \neq 0$.*

Proof. Suppose $\alpha \in G_n^f(X, A, x_0)$ is not contained in the kernel of $r_* h_p$. Then, if $\phi : A \times S_n \rightarrow X$ is affiliated to α with trace g , we have,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \neq r_* h_p(\alpha) &= r_* \mu_2 q_2 \phi_* i_*(\lambda) = r_* \mu_2 q_2 \phi_*(\mu(1 \otimes \lambda)) \\ &= r_* \phi_*(\bar{\mu}(\mu(1 \otimes 1_p) \otimes \lambda)) = r_* \phi_*(1_p \times \lambda) = K_\lambda(1_p), \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 4. Thus if $K_\lambda(x) = 0$, then x has odd λ -depth by Lemma 6. This fact implies that $K_\lambda : A_q^{2r} \cong A_q^{2r+1}$, for $r \geq 0$, by Lemma 8. Let $\chi(H_*(A; Z_p)) = \sum_i (-1)^i (\dim H_i(A; Z_p))$. Since $H_*(A; Z_p)$ is finitely generated, $\chi(H_*(A; Z_p))$ is well-defined. But

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(H_*(A; Z_p)) &= \sum_q (-1)^q (\dim H_q(A; Z_p)) \\ &= \sum_q (-1)^q (\sum_r \dim A_q^r) \quad \text{by Lemma 7} \\ &= \sum_q (-1)^q \sum_r (\dim A_q^{2r} + (-1)^n \dim A_{q+n}^{2r+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\dim A_q^{2r} \cong \dim A_{q+n}^{2r+1}$ and n is odd, $\chi(H_*(A; Z_p)) = 0$. But $\chi(H_*(A; Z_p)) = \chi(A)$, see [2]. This is a contradiction to hypothesis.

LEMMA 10. *Suppose $K_\lambda(1_p) \neq 0$ and $\dim \lambda (=n)$ is even. If $K_\lambda(x) = 0$, then λ -depth d of x is equal to $-1 \pmod p$.*

Proof. Suppose $K_\lambda^d(y) = x$. Then since n is even,

$$0 = \Delta_*(K_\lambda(x)) = \Delta_*(K_\lambda^{d+1}(y)) = (\sum_i \binom{d+1}{i}) K_\lambda^i \times K_\lambda^{d+1-i} (\Delta_*(y))$$

by Remark 1. Now $\Delta_*(y) = y \times 1_p + 1_p \times y + \sum y_i \times y_i'$. Thus $(d+1) K_\lambda^d(y) \times K_\lambda(1_p)$ must appear in $\Delta_*(K_\lambda^{d+1}(y))$. Now since $\Delta_*(K_\lambda^{d+1}(y)) = 0$, $H_*(A; Z_p)$ is a free module, $K_\lambda^d(y) \neq 0$ and $K_\lambda(1_p) \neq 0$,

$$(d+1) K_\lambda^d(y) \times K_\lambda(1_p) + \sum z_i \times z_i' = 0,$$

where $\dim z_i' = n$ and $\dim z_i = \dim K_\lambda^d(y)$. Thus $\sum z_i \times z_i'$ must come from terms of the form $(K_\lambda^{d+1} \times 1) (\sum v_i \times z_i')$ where $\sum v_i \times z_i'$ is the sum of all terms in $\Delta_*(y)$ with the z_i' having dimension n . Thus

$$(d+1) K_\lambda^d(y) \times K_\lambda(1_p) + \sum K_\lambda^{d+1}(v_i) \times z_i' = 0$$

Therefore, $(d+1) K_\lambda^d(y) = \sum \alpha_i K_\lambda^{d+1}(v_i)$, where $\alpha_i \in Z_p$. Let $z = \alpha_i v_i$. Then if $(d+1) \not\equiv 0 \pmod p$, $x = K_\lambda^d(y) = (d+1)^{-1} K_\lambda^{d+1}(z)$. This is a contradiction to the fact that x has λ -depth d . So $d \equiv -1 \pmod p$.

THEOREM 11. *Let X be a topological space and A be a topological space with finitely generated integer homology and $f: A \rightarrow X$ be a map with left homotopy inverse r . Suppose p is a prime number which does not divide $\chi(A)$. Then $G_n^f(X, A, x_0) \subset \text{kernel } r_* h_p$ for even n .*

Proof. Assume that $\alpha \in G_n^f(X, A, x_0)$ is not in the kernel of $r_* h_p$. Now suppose that $\phi: A \times S^n \rightarrow X$ is affiliated to α . Then $K_\lambda(1_p) \neq 0 \in H_n(A; Z_p)$ by Lemma 4 and definition of K_λ . By Lemma 7, $H_q(A; Z_p) = A_q^0 \oplus \dots \oplus A_q^r$ such that $K_\lambda(A_q^d) \supset A_{q+n}^{d+1}$. Now, as in the proof of the Lemma 8, $K_\lambda: A_q^d \cong A_{q+n}^{d+1}$ if $d+1$ is not a multiple of p .

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(H_*(A; Z_p)) &= \sum_q (-1)^q \dim H_q(A; Z_p) \\ &= \sum_q (-1)^q (\sum_d \dim A_q^d) \\ &= \sum_q \{ (-1)^q \dim A_q^0 + (-1)^{q+n} \dim A_{q+n}^1 + \dots \} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \dots (-1)^{q+dn} \dim A_{q+dn}^d + \dots \\ & = \sum_q (-1)^q (\sum_{d=0}^q \dim A_{q+dn}^d). \quad (\text{for } n \text{ is even}) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\dim A_q^{kp} = \dim A_{q+n}^{kp+1} = \dots = \dim A_{q+(p-1)n}^{kp+p-1}$, we see that $\sum_d \dim A_{q+dn}^d$ is a multiple of p and so $\chi(H_*(A; Z_p))$ is a multiple of p .

COROLLARY 12. *Let X and A be topological spaces and $f: A \rightarrow X$ has a left homotopy inverse r . If A has finitely generated integer homology and $\chi(A) = 1$, then $G_n^f(X, A, x_0) \subset \text{Ker } r_* h_p$ for all n and prime p .*

Recall that there is a transformation $k: \Pi_n(X, A, *) \rightarrow H_n(X, A)$ called the Hurewicz homomorphism [4]. Consider a map

$$H: (X \times I^n, A \times \partial I^n, x_0 \times J^{n-1}) \rightarrow (X, A, x_0)$$

such that $H(x, u) = x$, when $x \in X$ and $u \in J^{n-1}$. Then the map $f: (I^n, \partial I^n, J^{n-1}) \rightarrow (X, A, x_0)$ defined by $f(u) = H(x_0, u)$, where x_0 is a base point of X , represents an element $\alpha = [f] \in \Pi_n(X, A, x_0)$. The set of all elements $\alpha \in \Pi_n(X, A, x_0)$ obtained in the above manner from some H will be denoted by $G_n^{Rel}(X, A, x_0)$ ([6]).

THEOREM 13. *Let A be the retract of CW-complex X . Then $G_n(X, A, x_0) \subset \text{ker } r_* h_p$ and $G_n^{Rel}(X, A, x_0) \subset \text{ker } k_p$ if and only if $G_n(X, A, x_0) \subset \text{ker } h_p$, where r is a retraction and h_p and k_p are Hurewicz homomorphisms tensored with Z_p for all prime number p .*

Proof. Consider the following commutative diagram of exact sequences;

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \rightarrow & G_{n+1}^{Rel}(X, A) & \rightarrow & G_n(A) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & G_n(X, A) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & G_n^{Rel}(X, A) & \rightarrow & G_{n-1}(A) & \rightarrow \\ & \downarrow k_p & & \downarrow h_p & & \downarrow h_p & & \downarrow k_p & & \downarrow h_p & \\ \rightarrow & H_{n+1}(X, A; Z_p) & \rightarrow & H_n(A; Z_p) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & H_n(X; Z_p) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & H_n(X, A; Z_p) & \rightarrow & H_{n-1}(A; Z_p) & \rightarrow \end{array}$$

Since j_* is surjective, the sufficient condition is trivial.

Conversely, suppose $G_n^{Rel}(X, A, x_0) \subset \text{ker } k_p$ and $G_n(X, A, x_0) \subset \text{ker } r_* h_p$. Then $j_* h_p(G_n(X, A, x_0)) = k_p j_*(G_n^{Rel}(X, A, x_0)) = k_p(G_n^{Rel}(X, A, x_0)) = 0$. Thus $h_p(G_n(X, A, x_0)) \subset \text{ker } j_* = \text{Im } i_*$. So, for every $\alpha \in G_n(X, A, x_0)$, there is a $\beta \in H_n(A; Z_p)$ such that $i_*(\beta) = h_p(\alpha)$. But $\beta = r_* i_*(\beta) = r_* h_p(\alpha) = 0$.

Hence $h_p(\alpha) = i_*(\beta) = 0$. Consequently $G_n(X, A) \subset \ker h_p$.

COROLLARY 14. *Let A be a retract of X and have a finitely generated integer homology group. Let n be an odd integer and Euler-poincare number $\chi(A) \neq 0$. Then $G_n(X, A, *) \subset \ker h_p$ if and only if $G_n^{Rel}(X, A, *) \subset \ker k_p$.*

COROLLARY 15. *Let A be a retract of X and have a finitely generated homology group. Suppose p is a prime which does not divided $\chi(A)$. Then $G_n(X, A, *)$ is contained in the kernel of h_p if and only if $G_n^{Rel}(X, A, *)$ is contained in the kernel of k_p for even n .*

Thus the condition that $G_n^{Rel}(X, A, *) \subset \ker k_p$ is the minimum condition so that $G_n(X, A, *) \subset \ker h_p$ under the above conditions. Moreover, Corollary 14 and Corollary 15 are a generalization of theorems proved by Gottlieb because $G_n(X, X, *) = G_n(X)$ and $G_n^{Rel}(X, X, *) = 0$.

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