# COMPLEX BORDISM OF CLASSIFYING SPACES OF THE DIHEDRAL GROUP

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we study the  $BP_*$ -module structure of  $BP_*(BG) \mod (p,v_1,\cdots)^2$  for non abelian groups of the order  $p^3$ . We know  $grBP_*(BG) = BP_* \otimes H(H_*(BG);Q_1) \oplus BP^*/(p,v_1) \otimes ImQ_1$ . The similar fact occurs for  $BP_*$ -homology  $grBP_*(BG) = BP_*s^{-1}H(H_*(BG);Q_1) \oplus BP_*/(p,v)s^{-1}H^{odd}(BG)$  by using the spectral sequence  $E_2^{*,*} = Ext_{BP^*}(BP_*(BG),BP^*) \Rightarrow BP^*(BG)$ .

#### 0. Introduction

Let G be a finite group. By G-U-manifold we mean a weakly complex manifold with a free G-action preserving its weakly complex structure. The group of bordism classes of closed G-U-manifolds is isomorphic to the complex bordism group  $M_*(BG)$  of the classifying spaces BG. If S is a Sylow p-subgroup of G, the inclusion map induces a splitting epimorphism  $MU_*(BS) \Rightarrow MU_*(BG)$ . Hence we need know first for p-group G. Moreover Quillen isomorphism  $MU_*(-)_{(p)} \cong MU_{*(p)} \otimes_{BP_*} BP_*(-)$  shows that we need to know only  $BP_*(BG)$ . When G is a cyclic or quaternion group, giving dimensional filtration the graded group  $grBP_*(BG) = BP_* \otimes H_*(BG)$  since  $H_{even}(BG) = 0$  [M]. By Johnson-Wilson [3],  $grBP_*(BG)$  is given for an elementary abelian p-groups using arguments to generalize Kunneth formula. In this paper we determine  $BP_*$ -module structure of  $grBP_*(BG)$  mod  $(p, v_1, \cdots)^2$  for non abelian groups of the order  $p^3$ . For p = 2, the new

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group is the dihedral group  $D_4$ . The bordism group  $grBP_*(BD_{2q})$ ,  $q:\neq 2$ , was studied by Kamata-Minami [5]. Recall the Milnor primitive operation  $Q_0 = \beta, Q = p^1\beta - \beta p^1 (= S_q^2 S_q^1 - S_q^1 S_q^2 \text{ for } p = 2)$ . For the above group, we can extend the operation  $Q_1$  on  $H_*(BG)$  so that  $Q_1|H^{even}(BG) = 0$ . By Tezuka-Tagita [7], we know  $grBP_*(BG) = BP^* \otimes H(H_*(BG); Q_1) \oplus BP^*/(p, v_1) \otimes ImQ_1$  since  $d_{2p-1} = v_1 \otimes Q_1$  is the only non zero differential in the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence. The similar fact occurs for  $BP_*$ -homology  $grBP_*(BG) = BP_*s^{-1} \otimes H(H^*(BG); Q_1) \oplus BP_*/(p, v_1)s^{-1}H^{odd}(BG)$  where  $s^{-1}$  is the descending degree one map, by using the spectral sequence  $E_2^{*,*} = Ext_{BP^*}(BP_*(BG), BP^*) \Rightarrow BP^*(BG)$ . In particular, generators and relations are given explicitly for  $BP_*(BD)$  in the last section.

### 1. Bordism and cobordism

Assume always that G is a p-group. Let us write by  $H^*$  (resp.  $H\mathbb{Z}/p^*$ ,  $H^{even}$ ,  $H^{odd}$ ) the cohomology  $H^*(BG)$  (resp.  $H^*(BG;\mathbb{Z}/p)$ ,  $H^{even}(BG)$ ,  $H^{odd}(BG)$ ). In this section we consider only groups which satisfy the following assumption.

Assumption 1.1.  $pH\mathbb{Z}/P^{odd}=0$  hence  $H^{odd}\subset H\mathbb{Z}/P^{odd}$ , moreover  $Q_1/H^{odd}$  is injective.

Since  $Q_1|H^{odd}$  is injective, we can define  $Q_1|H^{even}=0$ .

LEMMA 1.2.  $grBP^*(BG) \cong BP^* \otimes H(H^*; Q_1) + BP^*/(p, v_1) \otimes ImQ_1$ .

*Proof.* Consider Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence

$$E_2^{*,*} = H^*(BG; BP^*) = BP^* \otimes H \Longrightarrow BP^*(BG).$$

The first nonzero differential is  $d_{2p-1} = v_1 \otimes Q_1$ , hence we get that  $E_{2p}$  is isomorphic the righthandside of the module in the lemma. Since  $KerQ_1 = ImQ_1 + H(H^*; Q_1)$  is even dimensionally generated, and so is  $E_{2p}^{*,*}$ . Therefore  $E_{2p} \cong E_{\infty}$ .

Given  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module A, let us write by FA the  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -free module generated by  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -module generators of A. Let F(x) be a generator which corresponds x in A.

Theorem 1.3. There is a  $BP^*$ -module isomorphism

$$BP^*(BG) \cong BP^* \otimes (FH(H^*; Q_1) + FImQ_1)/R$$

where R is generated, modulo  $(p, v_1, \dots)^2$ ,  $\sum_{n=0} v_n F(Q_n Q_i^{-1}(x)) = 0$  for i = 0, 1, and  $x \in KerQ_1$ .

Proof. If  $\overline{x_1} \in ImQ_1$ , then there is a relation  $v_1x_1 + v_2x_2 + \cdots = 0$  form Lemma 1.2, for  $\rho(x_1) = \overline{x_1}$  where  $\rho: BP \to HZ_{(p)}$  is the Thom map. From Lemma 2.1 there is  $y \in HZ/p^*$  such that  $Q_n(y) = \rho(X_n)$ , and  $y = Q_1^{-1}x_1$ . Since  $BP^*(BG) \otimes_{BP^*} \mathbb{Z}_{(p)} = H^{even}$  we have the relation in the lemma. For  $x_0 \in ImQ_0$ , we also have the relation by the same arguments.

Now we consider the bordism theory. We also write by  $H_*$  the homology  $H_*(BG)$ . Since  $H_*$  is torsion module, there is an isomorphism

$$H_{*-1} \cong s^{-1}H^*, \quad \text{for } * \ge 2.$$

where  $s^{-1}$  is the operation descending degree one. Note that if px = 0,  $s^{-1}x = Q_0^{-1}x$  for  $x \in H^*$ .

Consider the spectral sequence

$$(1.4) E_{*,*}^2 = H_*(BG; BP_*) \Longrightarrow BP_*(BG)$$

LEMMA 1.5. 
$$E_{*,*}^{2p} \cong BP_*s^{-1}H(H^*;Q_1) + BP_*/(p,v_1)s^{-1}H^{odd}$$

*Proof.* First note  $H\mathbb{Z}/P_* = Hom(H\mathbb{Z}/p^*; \mathbb{Z}/p)$ . Hence we can define the dual operation  $Q_{1*}$  in  $H\mathbb{Z}/p_*$ . Since  $Q_1Q_0 = -Q_0Q_1$ . We see easily

$$Q_{1*}s^{-1}(ImQ_1) = s^{-1}H^{odd}.$$

The first non zero differential in (1.4) is  $d_{2p-1}=v_1\otimes Q_{1*}$ . Hence we get the lemma.  $\square$ 

We use here arguments by Ravenel and Johnson-Wilson [3]. Recall the universal coefficient spectral sequence

$$(1.6) E_2^{*,*} = Ext_{BP_*}(BP_*(BG), BP^*) \Longrightarrow BP^*(BG).$$

Given  $BP_*$ -filtration in  $BP_*(BG)$ , we can construct spectral sequence

(1.7) 
$$G_2^{*,*} = Ext_{BP_*}(grBP_*(BG), BP^*) \Longrightarrow E_2^{*,*}.$$

Then it is easily seen

LEMMA 1.8 [3, LEMMA 6.5].  $Ext_{BP_*}(BP_*/(p^k), BP^*) \cong sBP^*/(p^k),$   $Ext_{BP_*}(BP_*/(p, v_1), BP^*) \cong s^{2p}BP_*/(p, v_1).$ 

Therefore from Lemma 1.2, Lemma 1.5 and Lemma 1.8, we get

(1.9) 
$$Ext_{BP_*}((E_{*,*}^{2p} \text{ in Lemma 1.5}), BP^*) \cong grBP^*(BG).$$

If  $E^{2p} \neq E_{\infty} = grBP_*(BG)$  in (1.4), there is an element in  $grBP^*(BG)$  which does not correspond  $G_{\infty}$  and  $G_2$ , and this makes a contradiction to (1.6). Hence (1.6), (1.7) and  $E^{2p}$  in (1.4) all collapse.

Theorem 1.10. There is a  $BP_*$ -module isomorphism

$$BP_*(BG) \cong BP_* \otimes Fs^{-1}(H(H^*; Q_1) + H^{odd})/R$$

where the relation R is generated, modulo  $(p, v_1, \dots)^2$ , by

$$\sum v_n s^{-1} Q_0 F(Q_{n*} Q_{i*}^{-1} s^{-1}(x)) = 0$$

for  $i = 0, 1, x \in (H(H^*; Q_1) + H^{odd}).$ 

## 2. $Q_2$ -operation

We give examples 2.1 - 2.3 satisfying Assumption 1.1.

- 2.1.  $G = \mathbb{Z}/p \times \mathbb{Z}/p$ . The cohomology  $H^{even} = \mathbb{Z}/p[y_1, y_2]$  and  $H^{odd} = H^{even}e$  where  $|y_i| = 2, |e| = 3$  and  $Q_1e = y_1^py_2 y_1y_2^p$ .
- 2.2. G is a non abelian p-group of the order  $p^3$ . Then G is isomorphic to one of D, Q, E, M (see Lewis [6] or [7]). The cohomology  $H^{even}$  is generated by elements  $c_1, \dots, c_2, y_1, y_2$ , and  $H^{odd}$  is generated as an  $H^{even}$ -module by e (resp.  $0, d_1$  and  $d_2, e$ ) for D (resp. Q, E, M). Then we can take ring generators such that the  $Q_1$ -operation is given by  $Q_1e = c_2y_2$  (resp.  $0, Q_1d_i = c_2y_i, Q_1e = c_py_2^p$ ). Hence Assumption 1.1 is satisfied for these cases.
- 2.3. The semi-dihedral groups  $SD_2$ .  $H\mathbb{Z}/2^*$  is detected by (D,Q) (see [2]). Hence we get the assumption.

## 3. Description of $BP_*(BD)$

In this section we write down  $BP_*(BD)$  more explicitly. Recall  $D = \langle a, b | a^4 = b^2 = 1, [a, b] = a^2 \rangle$ . The cohomology is given (1, 6, 8).

(3.1) 
$$H^{even} = (\widetilde{\mathbb{Z}}/2[y_1, y_2]/(y_1^2 + y_1 y_2)) \otimes \widetilde{\mathbb{Z}}/4[C_2]$$
$$H^{odd} = (\mathbb{Z}/2[y_1, y_2, c_2]/(y_1^2 + y_1 y_2)e$$
$$H\mathbb{Z}/2^* = \mathbb{Z}/2[x_1, x_2, u]/(x_1^2 + x_1 x_2)$$

Where  $\widetilde{\mathbb{Z}}/s[x]$  means  $\mathbb{Z}[x]/(sx)$  and where  $x_i^2 = y_i, C = u^2$  and  $e = x_2u$  in  $H\mathbb{Z}/2^*$ . Since  $Q_0u = ux_2, Q_1e = y_2c_2$ . Hence we get

$$(3.2) H(H^*; Q_1) = (\widetilde{\mathbb{Z}}/2[y_2] \oplus \widetilde{\mathbb{Z}}/4[c_2]) \otimes \wedge (y_1).$$

From Lemma 1.5 and Theorem 1.10, we have

(3.3) 
$$grBP_*(BD) = BP_*\{1\} \oplus BP_*/2s^{-1}\{y_1^i, y_2^i, y_1c_2^j\} + BP/4s^{-1}\{c_2^j\} \oplus BP_*/(2, v_1)s^{-1}\{y_1^i s_2^j e, y_2^i c_2^j e\}.$$

We will construct D-U-manifolds which represent elements in (3.3). Before doing this, we see how these generators in  $H\mathbb{Z}_*$  are defined. Consider the extension

$$(3.4) 0 \rightarrow < a > = \mathbb{Z}/4 \rightarrow D \rightarrow < b > = \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0$$

and induced spectral sequence (see Lewis p.510 [6]). The action  $b^*$  on  $H^*(B\mathbb{Z}/4) \cong \widetilde{\mathbb{Z}}/4[u]$  is given by  $b^*u = 3u = -u$ . Let us write  $T = (1 - b^*)$  and  $N = (1 + b^*)$ . Then

$$E_{0,*}^{2} = H_{*}/ImT = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/4\{s^{-1}u^{i}\} & \text{if } i|2\\ \mathbb{Z}/2\{s^{-1}u^{i}\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$(3.5)$$

$$E_{2j+1,*}^{2} = KerT/ImN = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2\{s^{-1}u^{i}\} & \text{if } i|2\\ \mathbb{Z}/2\{s^{-1}2u^{i}\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E_{2j+2,*}^{2} = KerN/ImT = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2\{s^{-1}2u^{i}\} & \text{if } i|2\\ \mathbb{Z}/2\{s^{-1}u^{i}\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

By the universal coefficient theorem and (3.1) this spectral sequence collapses (confer Lewis p.510).

The elements  $s^{-1}u$ ,  $s^{-1}u^2 \in E_{0,*}^2$  corresponds  $s^1y_1$ ,  $s^{-1}c_2$ , the element  $s^{-1}2u \in E_{1,1}^2$  corresponds  $s^{-1}e$ , and  $s^{-1}u \in E_{2j,2}^2$  corresponds  $s^{-1}(y_1y_2^j)$ . Moreover  $1 \in E_{2j-1,0}^2$  corresponds  $s^{-1}y_2^j$ .

We define a D-U-manifold

(3.7) 
$$X(j,i) = (S^{2j-1} \times D/\langle a \rangle) \times_{\langle b \rangle} S^{2i-1}$$

where D acts on  $S^{2j-1} \times D/\langle a \rangle$  by

$$\begin{cases} a(z,0) = (iz,0) \\ a(z,1) = (-iz,1) \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} b(z,0) = (z,1) \\ b(z,1) = (z,0) \end{cases}$$

identifying  $(z, n) \in S^{2j-1} \times \mathbb{Z}/2 \subset C^j \times \mathbb{Z}/2$ , and where b acts on  $S^{2i-1}$  by b(z) = (-z) in  $C^i$ . Then we get the map

$$\xi: X(j,i)/D \longrightarrow BD.$$

The fibering

$$S^{2j-1}/< a > \longrightarrow X(j,i)/D \longrightarrow S^{2i-1}/< b >$$

induces the spectral sequence

(3.9) 
$$H_*(S^{2i-1}/\langle b \rangle; H_*(S^{2j-1}/\langle a \rangle)) \Longrightarrow H_*(X(j,i)/D).$$

The map  $\xi$  in (4.8) induces the map of spectral sequences (3.9) to (3.5). Then the fundamental class of X(j,i) is represented in  $E_{\infty}$  in (3.9) by the nonzero element of right up side. Hence we know that  $X(2j,0) = s^{-1}c^{j}$ ,  $X(2j-1,0) = s^{-1}y_{1}c_{2}^{j-1}$ ,  $X(0,i) = s^{-1}y_{2}^{i}$ , and for ij > 0,  $X(2j,i) = s^{-1}ec_{2}^{j-1}y_{1}y_{2}^{i-1} = s^{-1}ec_{2}^{j-1}y_{1}^{i}$ ,  $X(2j-1,i) = s^{-1}ec_{2}^{j-1}y_{2}^{i-1}$ .

The only element which is not expressed by X(j,i) is  $s^{-1}y_1^j$  for  $j \ge 2$ . Note that there is a homomorphism  $\lambda$  in D such that  $\lambda : b \leftrightarrow ab$ ,  $\lambda : a \leftrightarrow a^3$ . Then  $s^{-1}y_2 = s^{-1}y_2 + s^{-1}y_1$ . Take  $X'(0,i) = M/\langle ab \rangle \times S^{2i-1}$  and this manifold represents  $s^{-1}y_1^i + s^{-1}y_2^i$ .

Next consider relations  $\sum v_n Q_{n*} Q_{k*}^{-1}(x) = 0$ . First consider the case x = X(0,i). Since  $s^{-1}y_2 = Q_{0*}y_2$ , we see  $Q_{0*}^{-1}s^{-1}y_2^i = y_2^i$ . The  $Q_{n*}$ -operation acts

$$Q_{n*}y_2^i = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle y_2^i, Q_n x_2 y_2^k \rangle x_2 y_2^k, \quad \text{where recall} \quad x_2 = y_2$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \langle y_2^i, y_2^{p^n + k} \rangle x_2 y_2^k = x_2 y_2^{1 - p^n}.$$

Therefore we have

(3.10) 
$$\sum v_n X(0, i - p^n + 1) = 0,$$
  $\sum v_n X'(0, i - p^n + 1) = 0$ 

This relation is well known and also given by the relation in  $BP_*(BZ/2)$  and [2] the product of the formal group law in  $BP_*$ -theory (for example, see [4], [5]).

When x = X(2j, 0), the fact  $Q_{0*}^{-1} s^{-1}(c_2^j) = 0$  induces only trivial relation. As for x = X(2j - 1, 0), the formula

$$Q_{n*}c_2^j y_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle c_2^j y_1, Q_n c_2^k x_1 \rangle c_2^k x_1 = 0$$
 for  $n \ge 1$ 

follows the relation

$$(3.11) 2X(2j-1,0) = 0.$$

At last we consider the case ij > 0. Since  $s^{-1}y_2^i c_2^j e = c_2^j y_2^i u$  (see (3.1)), we get

$$(3.12) Q_{n*}c_2^j y_2^i e = \sum_{l} \langle c_2^j y_2^i e, Q_n c_2^k y_2^l u \rangle c_2^k y_2^l u$$

$$= \sum_{l} \langle c_2^j y_2^i e, c_2^k y_2^l Q_n u \rangle c_2^k y_2^l u$$

$$= \sum_{l} \langle c_2^{j-k} y_2^{i-l} e, Q_n u \rangle c_2^k y_2^l u.$$

LEMMA 3.13. There are polynomials  $F_n(u, y_2)$  such that  $Q_n u = f_n(u, y_2)ux_2$  and  $f_{n+1} = uf_n^2 + y_2f_n^2 + (\partial f_n/\partial u)^2y_2u^2$ .

*Proof.* At first recall  $Q_0u = ux_2$ .  $Q_1$ -action is

$$Q_1 u = Sq^2 Q_0 u + Q_0 Sq^2 u = Sq^2 (ux_2) = u^2 x_2 + ux_2^3 = ux(u + x_2^2).$$

By the induction on  $n \ge 1$ , we see

$$Q_{n+1}u = (Sq^{2^{n+1}}Q_n + Q_nSq^{2^{n+1}})u$$

$$= Sq^{2^{n+1}}Q_nu = Sq^{2^{n+1}}(xuf), \quad \text{where} \quad |xuf| = 2^{n+1} + 1,$$

$$= xu^2f^2 + x^3uf^2 + x^2u^2Sq^{|f|-1}f.$$

If  $f_n = \sum \lambda_i u^i y_2^j$ , then

$$Sq^{|f|-1}f_n = \sum \lambda_i i(ux_2)u^{2(i-1)}y_2^{2j} = ux_2(\partial f_n/\partial u).$$

Therefore 
$$Q_{n+1}u = ux_2(uf_n^2 + x_2^2f_n^2 + x_2^2u^2(\partial f/\partial u)^2)$$
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Let us write  $f_n = \sum f_{n,i} u^i y^j$ . Then we get

$$Q_{n*}c_2^j y_2^i e = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle c_2^k y_2^\ell e, \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_{n,t} u^t y_2^{2^n - 1 - t} e \rangle c_2^{j-k} y_2^{i-1} u$$
  
=  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} f_{n,2t} c_2^{j-t} y_2^{i-(2^n - 1 - 2t)} u$ .

Hence we have the relation

(3.14) 
$$\sum_{n} v_n(\sum_{t} f_{n,2t} X(j-t, i+2t+1-2^n)) = 0.$$

Next consider the relation such that  $v_1X(j,i) + \cdots = 0$ . If  $Q_{1*}w = c_2^j y_2^i u$ , then

$$c_2^j y_2^i u = \sum \langle w, Q_1 c_2^k y_2^\ell u \rangle c_2^k y_2^\ell u$$
  
=  $\sum \langle w, c_2^k y_2^\ell e(u + y_2) \rangle c_2^k y_2^\ell u$ 

shows  $w=c_2^jy_2^{i+1}e$  or  $w=c_2^jy_2^ieu$ . Since  $Q_{0*}c_2^jy_2^{i+1}e=c_2^jy_2^{i+1}u$ , the case  $w=c_2^jy_2^{i+1}e$  gives a relation such that  $2x(j,i+1)+\cdots=0$ , which is contained in (3.14). Hence we need only the case  $w=c_2^jy_2^ieu$ ,

$$Q_{n*}w = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle c_2^j y_2^i e u, Q_n c_2^k y_2^\ell u \rangle c_2^k y_2^\ell u$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle c_2^j y_2^i e u, f_{n,t} u^t y_2^{2^n - 1 - t} e \rangle c_2^{j - k} y_2^{i - 1} u$$

$$= f_{n,2t+1} c_2^{j - t} y_2^{i - (2^n - 1 - 2t - 1)} u.$$

Therefore we get

(3.15) 
$$\sum_{n} v_n(\sum_{t} f_{n,2t+1} X(j-t, i-2^n+2t+2)) = 0.$$

Theorem 3.10. There is a  $BP_*$ -module isomorphism

$$BP_*(BD) = BP_*\{ X(j,i), X'(0,i') \mid j,i \ge 0, i \ge 2 \}/R$$

where 
$$R = ((3.10), (3.11), (3.14), (3.15)) \mod (2, v_1, \cdots)^2$$
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